

"When he left he went up to Cambridge with a Mathematical Scholarship to St. John's College, a Lancashire County Scholarship, the 'Great Crosby' Scholarship, and the Exhibition awarded by the Oxford Local Examinations' Delegates to the boy who took first place in England in the Senior Examination. This year will long be remembered in the school as 'Brock's year.' Mathematics were, of course, his forte, but he was no mean scholar beside. He achieved distinction in most school subjects, and almost swept the board of Foundation prizes in his last year. He played a prominent part in school life by his activity in the School Debating and Musical Societies." *Unm.*

**BROCKLEBANK, RALPH ROYDS**, 2nd Lieut., 1st Battn. (23rd Foot) The Royal Welch Fusiliers, eldest s. of Major Ralph Eric Royds Brocklebank, of Poulton Royd, Bebington, co. Chester, J.P., 6th King's Liverpool Rifles, by his wife, Constance Alington, dau. of the Rev. Nathaniel Royds; *b.* Bebington, 21 June, 1897; educ. Cordwalles, Maidenhead, and Eton, where he was a member of the O.T.C., and at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst; was gazetted 2nd Lieut. 22 Dec. 1915; served with the Expeditionary Force in France and Flanders from Jan. 1917, having been kept back by a bombing accident in June, 1916; was wounded at Bullecourt 14 May following; had his leg amputated on the 15th, and died the following day at Achiet-le-Grand. Buried there. His Brigadier General wrote: "He did most splendid and gallant work in the very severe fighting around Bullecourt, and was wounded fighting almost hand to hand in the village," and another officer: "Your son was one of the bravest I have ever met—one of the best—his loss hit me very much



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indeed; it did the whole battalion, both officers and men." The Padre also wrote: "All the officers told me how absolutely brave he was and beloved of all." He was a keen sportsman; while at Eton, was captain of the Boats, and won the School swimming; also played Rugby for his school; *unm.*

**BROCKLEBANK, WILLIAM**, Private, No. 205003, 2/4th (Territorial) Battn. The Lincolnshire Regt., s. of Henry Brocklebank, of Accy Farm, West End, Preston, East Yorkshire, Farmer; *b.* Preston, 28 Aug. 1897; educ. there; enlisted in the West Yorkshires 26 Jan. 1917; trained at Clipstone Camp; served with the Expeditionary Force in France and Flanders from 28 July; transferred to the Lincolnshire Regt.; was wounded 27 Sept. 1917, while holding pill-boxes which we had captured at Ypres, and died the following day at No. 4 Casualty Clearing Station. Buried there. A comrade wrote: "It must be a great consolation to you that he lived such a good life, and being in the Army had not spoiled his life," and another: "I found Willie one of the straightest and best boys I had ever met, and was shocked to hear of his death. He had not been in my hut long before I found he lived as straight a life as anyone could wish to see." *Unm.*

**BROCKWAY, T. H. G.**, Private, No. 6484, The Wiltshire Regiment; served with the Expeditionary Force in France; killed in action 20 Sept. 1914.

**BRODIE, MARK MOYLE**, 2nd Lieut., 10th (Service), attd. 1st, Battn. The Seaforth Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, The Duke of Albany's), only s. of