

Barton, and Barbara, b. 31 Oct. 1913.

DUFF, HUGH JOHN, D.S.O., M.C.

Major, Lovat Scout Yeomanry, attd. 1st Battn. (8th Foot) The King's (Liverpool Regt.), only s. of the late Hugh A. Duff, of Eddeston, co. Ross, and New Zealand, by his wife, Eliza Katherine (Kerern, Lossiemouth, co. Moray), dau. of the late Rev. John Walker; b. Lhanbryde, co. Moray, 1 Aug. 1883; educ. Inverness College, and Edinburgh University; was a Sheep Farmer in New Zealand; gazetted 2nd Lieut. Lovat Scouts 16 Sept. 1914; served with the Expeditionary Force in France and Flanders from 28 Feb. 1917, being attached to the 22nd Battn. The Royal Fusiliers from 28 Feb. 1917, to 18 Nov. following; to the 13th Battn. The Essex Regt. from 18 Nov. 1917, to 26 Feb. 1918; to The King's (Liverpool Regt.) from 20 Feb. 1918, and was killed in action at Beaumetz-by-Cambrai, 6 Sept. 1918. Buried there. An officer wrote: "Strong-minded, strong-willed, self-confident and as capable a fellow as I have ever come across, Hugh was an ideal fellow to soldier with. . . ."



Hugh John Duff.

He was adored by his squadron in the Scouts, and they would one and all have followed him anywhere. . . . His record as a soldier was a brilliant one. . . . He was as staunch as a rock and the bravest of the brave. . . ." and another: "Major Duff is a very real loss to the battalion. I do not think there is any officer that I have met out here who was thought more of by everybody; he was not only popular, but thought to be such a very good officer; both the other officers and men would follow him anywhere. I feel myself that I have lost a real friend; there is nobody for whose character I had a greater admiration." He was awarded the Distinguished Service Order: "For most conspicuous gallantry, initiative and devotion to duty during the operations between Lebecquiere and Auchonvillers, between 23 and 26 March, 1918. He commanded his company with marked ability. Throughout the operations his self-reliant and cheery manner was an inspiration to all ranks," and the Military Cross for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Bourlon Wood in Nov. 1918. Major-General Pereira, commanding 2nd Division, congratulated him on the magnificent way he commanded his company in March, 1918; *umm*.

DUGDALE, RICHARD WILLIAM, M.C., Chaplain to the Forces, attd. 1st Battn. (8th Foot) The King's (Liverpool Regt.), only s. of the late Rev. Sydney Dugdale, of Whit-

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