

"Died Like the Brave Soldier he was."

Any lingering hope as to the fate of Corporal Paul D. I. Brown, 2nd Black Watch, Mercat Division, son of Mr and Mrs John Brown, 3 Cross Street, Kirkcaldy, has been dispelled by the receipt on Thursday of two letters from courages in his regiment, one of which returned the letters sent to him by his relatives.

Two members of 17th Black Watch (former comrades of Corporal Brown) in the Special Reserve wrote home last week that he had been killed in action on Sunday, 9th May. His father at once got into communication with the War Office, who made inquiries and replied that Corporal Brown had been missing on 9th May, but suggested that he might possibly be a prisoner of war or merely staying on his regiment. Further information is being anxiously awaited by the parents and relatives of the young soldier, who was 24 years of age.

Corporal Brown was six years in the Special Reserve, and at the outbreak of war was called up being drafted to the 2nd Black Watch at the front on 8th December. He had come through numerous engagements without a scratch, and had been most courageous and cheerful correspondent with his family up till 7th May. He had many friends in the 17th (Fife) Black Watch, and two of the latter were invited to dine with him at the front on Saturday, 9th May, and in a letter received it was said he had been killed on Sunday, 9th May.

The following are the letters received from the first Corporal's comrades by his sister and mother:—

Dear Mrs Craig—I'm with deep regret that I write to inform you of the death of your son, Paul D. I. Brown, who died like the brave soldier he was, being charged the trenches on Sunday, 9th May.

Dear friend, you might inform his dear old mother. I know it will be a very severe blow to her, and the rest of the family. I am sure that you will find her very much comforted by the fact that her son died like a soldier, and was a credit to his name.

With our deepest sympathies, we remain, dear Mrs Craig, as ever, your friends, Mrs J. Brown, Mrs J. Brown, Mrs J. Brown.

FOR BEST VALUE IN FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS, CARPETS, LINOLEUMS, BABY CARRIAGES AND FOLDING CARS, VISIT WRIGHT'S FURNITURE STORES, 66 HIGH STREET KIRKCALDY.

METHIL BLACK WATCH MAN MISSING.

Intimation has been received by Mr Joseph Black, Buchanan's Buildings, Methil, from the Second Officer, Perth, that his son, Private Fred Black, 2nd Black Watch, was missing since 9th May. The young soldier has been reported missing since 9th May, and two brothers in the R.F.A. have been in the thick of the fighting since the outbreak of war, and in a later letter stated that he had been killed on Sunday, 9th May.

WON THE D.C.M. LEVEN NATION'S GALLANTRY REWARDED.

In a letter to relatives in Leven, Sergeant Andrew McEwen, 2nd Black Watch, mentions that he has been awarded the D.C.M. for his gallant services during the fighting in the trenches.

LOCAL OFFICER PROMOTED.

Captain Michael Wemyss, who was recently wounded after serving nearly two months at the front, has been promoted to the rank of Major.

SPECIAL CONSTABLES' DEPENDANTS.

Orders in Council under the Special Constables Act were published in the "Gazette" directing that if any special constable dies in the line of duty, his dependants shall be entitled to certain benefits.

FIVE GAZETTE NOTICES.

R.F.A. Highland Brigade—Private David Dickie, Howden, from the Fife and Forth Division, has been awarded the D.C.M. for his gallant services during the fighting in the trenches.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Town Council and Employees.

Flag Days and War Relief Funds.

BURNTISLAND NOTES AND NEWS.

The Late Corporal Robertson.—The details which have come to hand as to the circumstances in which Corporal Robertson fell in the light are as painful as they are regrettable. Strange to say that official information is still lacking, but the details which have been received from the family are so full of interest that it is worth while to give them in full.

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Advertisement for Pesco Underwear, featuring an illustration of a pair of trousers.

Advertisement for A.K. Melville Bespoke Tailor, featuring an illustration of a man in a suit.

Advertisement for Belgian Relief Fund, featuring an illustration of a man in a military uniform.

Advertisement for British Red Cross, featuring an illustration of a woman in a red cross uniform.

Advertisement for Highland Cyclists' Church Services, featuring an illustration of a man on a bicycle.

Advertisement for Fashional Furs, featuring an illustration of a woman in a fur coat.

Advertisement for Nain's Oat Cakes, featuring an illustration of a woman in a bonnet.

Advertisement for Cretna Disaster Death-Roll, featuring an illustration of a man in a military uniform.

Advertisement for John Rintoul, featuring an illustration of a man in a military uniform.

Advertisement for Domes of Silence, featuring an illustration of a man in a military uniform.

Advertisement for The Perfect Chair, featuring an illustration of a chair.

Advertisement for When You Ask For Addie, featuring an illustration of a woman in a bonnet.

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