



FOR KING AND COUNTRY.

BRIDGWATER ROLL OF HONOUR.

COMPILED AT THE EXPIRATION OF THREE YEARS' DURATION OF THE WAR.

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With the close of the third year of the war we publish below a list of the men from Bridgwater and the surrounding districts who, since the titanic struggle began, have laid down their lives in the service of their country. It is sad evidence of the noble part men from the town of Bridgwater and the villages around are playing in the great war, and of the sacrifices they are constantly making in the effort to defeat the world's common enemy.

The list is a long and mournful one, and will be perused with painful interest. It includes the names of no less than 265 men—35 officers, and 230 of other ranks in the Army and Navy. These, it should be explained, have been killed in action, or have succumbed to wounds, or have died from disease whilst on active service. The list contains the names of those men officially reported as missing and presumed to be dead, but it does not include the not innumerable number officially reported as missing only.

When we published in August last the roll of those who fell in the first two years of the war, it contained the names of 125 officers and men, but during the past year the additions to the list have been painfully frequent, and there has to be added the large number of 138 names. Therefore, in the past twelve months practically as many have fallen as in the previous two years. In truth, there has been a sad toll of lost men in the last year.

Of the 265 officers and men whose names are given below no less than 142 belonged to Bridgwater. The towns has indeed suffered heavily. Slightly more than 40 names in the list are those of men belonging to other villages in the district.

Of the 265 whose deaths are recorded, 89 belonged to the Somerset Light Infantry—testimony of the gallant part being played by the county regiments in the war.

The roll of honour for town and district is as follows—

- OFFICERS.**
- Lieut. J. D. Tatton, Bridgwater—5th Dragoon Guards.
 - Lieut. D. E. Forber, Bridgwater—Suffolk Regiment.
 - Second-Lieut. C. Bance-Walker, North Pemberton—5th Dragoon Guards.
 - Lieut. A. N. H. Churchill, Wembdon—Canadian.
 - Lieut. J. N. Brumsted, Spaxton—King's Own Scottish Borderers.
 - Lieut. E. H. Baker, Bridgwater—Somerset Light Infantry.
 - Lieut. F. M. Reed, Bridgwater—Royal Flying Corps.
 - Captain R. E. Hartwell, Bridgwater—Field Ambulance, R.A.M.C.
 - Lieut. E. F. K. Greenhill, R.N., Knowle Hall—H.M.S. Hampshire.
 - Lieut. S. W. Bell, Chazy—Canadian.
 - Lieut. L. Walker, Puttison—London Fusiliers.
 - Captain R. H. Wade-Gery, Cannington—Royal Engineers.
 - Lieut. G. I. Wilson, North Pemberton—Royal Flying Corps.
 - Lieut. G. E. Pole, Bridgwater—Somerset Light Infantry.
 - Lieut. C. H. Hagen, Bridgwater—Somerset Light Infantry.
- OTHER RANKS.**
- BRIDGWATER MEN.**
- Private S. Smith, Southdown-terrace—Somerset.
 - Private A. Broad, Old Pumping-station—Somerset.
 - Corpl. W. Pegley, Bridgwater—Coldstream.
 - Private J. Hoyle, Clare-terrace—Somerset.
 - Private E. Baker, Bridgwater—Somerset.
 - Sergeant R. F. A. Dunnett, Union-street—Somerset.
 - Private E. J. Masle, Polden-street—Somerset.
 - Private W. Hamblin, Albert-street—Somerset.
 - Private J. Harwood, Newton—Wiltshire Regiment.
 - Sergeant J. Anglin, West-street—Somerset.
 - Lance-Corpl. Margrett, Cranleigh Gardens—Devon.
 - Sapper F. J. Benson, Bridgwater—Somerset.
 - Private A. J. Pudge, Wellington-road—Royal Marines.
 - Seaman J. O'Brien, formerly of Bridgwater—H.M.S. Goliath.
 - Seaman J. C. Leabo, Penal Orillon—H.M.S. Triumph.
 - Private F. Blackburn, High-street—Dragon Guards.

- W. Gamble, formerly of Bridgwater—Princess Irene.
- Private H. J. Cross, St. John-street—A.S.C. Regiment.
- Private W. Fry, formerly of Bridgwater—Wales Regiment.
- Private F. Harford, formerly of Bridgwater—Wales Regiment.
- Private J. Burgess, Bath-road—Somerset.
- Corpl. J. Lomas, Wellington-road—Somerset.
- Private F. E. Webb, formerly of Bridgwater—Queen's Westminster Rifles.
- Private F. Young, West-street—Somerset.
- Private J. Burgess, Bath-road—Somerset.
- Corpl. J. Lomas, Wellington-road—Somerset.
- Rifeman F. B. Hope, Durleigh-road—Queen's Westminster Rifles.
- Private H. Burroughs, formerly of Bridgwater—Canadian Regiment.
- Corpl. A. G. Richards, formerly of Bridgwater—Manchester Regiment.
- Private B. A. Woolan, Bristol-road—Devon.
- Private M. Pike, Bridgwater—Grenadier Guards.
- Private L. Nowell, formerly of Bridgwater—Wales Regiment.
- Private L. Burgis, formerly of Bridgwater—Grenadier Guards.
- Corpl. E. W. Warren, Saloon-parade—Grenadier Guards.
- Private C. J. Lashby, Alabanda Villa—Canadian.
- Private V. Pitman, Blacklands—Gloucester.
- Lance-Corpl. E. Kemp, Chilton-street—Worcester.
- Sergeant W. H. Long, Polden-street—Oxford and Bucks.
- Private F. J. Davis, formerly of Bridgwater—Canadian.
- Private W. H. Passmore, Halesleigh-road—Wiltshire.
- Gunner J. W. French, Union-street—R.F.A.
- Private T. W. Woodard, West-street—Warwick.
- Private W. H. Long, Polden-street—Oxford and Bucks.
- Sergeant W. J. Phillips, Bridgwater—Somerset.
- Chief Electrician H. M. Kennedy, Tanton-road—H.M.S. Indefatigable.
- E. Burke, West-street—H.M.S. Indefatigable.
- A. G. Mac, Tanton-road—H.M.S. Indefatigable.
- Private J. Anglin, West-street—Somerset.
- Corpl. F. Anglin, West-street—Somerset.
- Air Mechanic W. C. Manning, Silver-street—R.F.C.
- Corpl. A. Desiner, Monmouth-street—West Somerset Battalion.
- Bombardier F. J. Howe, Bridgwater—R.F.A.
- Private B. Wallford, Market-street—Somerset.
- Private W. Hill, Bally-street—Somerset.
- Lance-Corpl. W. Roman, Bridgwater—Somerset.
- Private F. Hurley, Bridgwater—East Regiment.
- Lance-Corpl. C. Dushbridge, Tanton-road—West Somerset Battalion.
- Corpl. G. E. Lewis, Gloucester-place—Somerset.
- Corpl. H. Culp, Meant-street—Wales Fusiliers.
- Private E. Senior, Bath-road—Somerset.
- Private A. T. Ford, West-street—Somerset.
- Private W. Hill, Chilton-street—Somerset.
- Private C. Shaddock, Bristol-road—Somerset.
- Private W. A. Woolby, Silver-street—Somerset.
- Corpl. L. Trottman, formerly of Bridgwater—Gloucester.
- Private E. Spiggs, formerly of Bridgwater—Cannock Chase.
- Sapper R. G. Chick, Chilton-street—Royal Engineers.
- Private H. E. Margate, Bath-road—Somerset.
- Private J. J. Milin, Chilton-street—Somerset.
- Lance-Corpl. C. Porter, Bath-road—Somerset.
- Private G. E. Pufford, Bridgwater—Somerset.
- Private W. Brooks, West-street—Somerset.
- Gunner W. H. Wright, Bristol-road—R.F.A.
- Gunner W. C. Young, Albert-street—R.F.A.
- Private A. T. Genn, Bridgwater—Coldstream Guards.
- Private S. C. Chappell, Tanton-road—Royal Fusiliers.
- Corpl. W. J. Stone, formerly of Bridgwater—Canadian.
- Private W. E. Norris, Blacklands—London Regiment.
- Private E. H. Stony, Barclay-street—Somerset.
- Private J. H. Hobb, Bally-street—Somerset.
- Private T. Baker, Bally-street—Somerset.
- Private A. Dayman, Northgate—Somerset.
- Private S. Allen, West-street—London Regiment.
- Private J. J. Jarratt, Silver-street—Devon.
- Private E. J. Porter, West-street—Somerset.
- Seaman W. E. Pagan, Tanton-road—R.N. Division.
- Private A. W. Board, Edward-street—Canadian.
- Private A. H. Spring, Wellington-road—Warwick.
- Private G. Burroughs, formerly of Bridgwater—Canadian.
- Sapper T. Williams, Chilton-street—West Somerset Battalion.

- Private C. Wether, Tanton-road—Devon.
 - Private B. Spiggs, Bath-road—Somerset.
 - Corpl. D. Galley, Monmouth-street—Devon.
 - Corpl. S. Broadbent, St. John-street—Gloucester.
 - Sapper P. Mountstephen, Union-street—Royal Engineers.
 - Lance-Corpl. V. J. Bear, Tanton-road—Machine Gun Company.
 - Lance-Corpl. W. Boney, Polden-street—Somerset.
 - Private J. H. King, Polden-street—Somerset.
 - Sapper W. T. Rowle, Barclay-street—Royal Engineers.
 - Lance-Corpl. B. Handford, Cranleigh Gardens—Oxfordshire Regiment.
 - Corpl. E. Legg, Polden-street—Devon Regiment.
 - Private E. Fender, Barclay-street—Somerset.
 - Lance-Corpl. F. J. Durall, Market-street—Wiltshire.
 - Private A. Finch, Bath-road—Somerset.
 - Private F. W. Legg, Friar-street—Somerset.
 - Private M. Hiddon, Chilton-street—Somerset.
 - Sapper W. Wilkins, Tanton-road—West Somerset Battalion.
 - Private F. W. Legg, Friar-street—Somerset.
 - Private M. Hiddon, Chilton-street—Somerset.
 - Lance-Corpl. R. Pratt, Canada-street—Somerset.
 - Private W. Hamford, Barclay-street—Somerset.
 - Lance-Corpl. C. E. Chedoke, Church-street—Somerset.
 - Sergeant A. L. Pole, Tanton-road—Canadian.
 - Driver E. V. Bond, Halesleigh—A.S.C.
 - Gunnery Sergeant A. B. Wyatt, Bridgwater—R.N. Division.
 - Sergeant C. H. Shire, Bridgwater—Hife Brigade.
 - Private H. H. Keirle, St. John-street—Worcester.
 - Private F. F. Margate, Bridgwater—Oxford and Bucks.
 - Private A. J. Fox, Tanton-road—A.S.C.
 - Private W. B. Trunk, Albert-street—Machine Gun Company.
 - Private E. Chapple, Polden-street—Canadian.
 - Sergeant P. Fooks, formerly of Bridgwater—Devon.
 - Private H. Porter, formerly of Bridgwater—Australasian.
 - Driver E. Williams, West-street—A.S.C.
 - Private C. Bodding, Parkstone-terrace—Somerset.
 - Private H. C. Pudge, Wellington-road—Somerset.
 - Corpl. Major R. E. K. Shripston, Northfield—Australasian.
 - Lance-Corpl. S. J. Chin, Bristol-road—London Regiment.
 - Private T. Owens, formerly of Bridgwater—Wales Regiment.
 - Private H. Ashkin, Rhode-lane—West Somerset Battalion.
 - Sapper J. W. Storey, Bath-road—Royal Engineers.
 - Private W. E. King, Edward-street—Somerset.
 - Private F. Marshall, Polden-street—Coldstream Guards.
 - Private A. Payne—Somerset.
 - Sapper W. H. Hodges, Bridgwater—Royal Engineers.
 - Private E. Bond, formerly of Bridgwater—Canadian.
 - Private R. Hill, Bristol-road—Somerset.
 - Private H. Harris, Hedger—Somerset.
 - Private E. J. Ridge, Edward-street—R.F.A.
 - Driver F. E. Hobb, Northgate—A.S.C.
 - Pte. A. Parsons, Bridgwater—Somerset.
 - Corpl. H. Belfon, Bridgwater—Somerset.
 - Pte. W. Perry, West-street—Wiltshire Yeomanry.
- STOUBREGE MEN.**
- Private A. H. Millard—Lancashire.
 - Private W. E. Cole—Somerset.
 - Private S. B. Baker, North Wales Borderers.
 - Private R. E. F. Howe—Coldstream Guards.
 - Private A. Payne—Somerset.
 - Corpl. A. Taylor—Grenadier Guards.
 - Sergeant R. J. Scott, D.C.M.—R.F.A.
 - Sergeant E. J. Ryan—Grenadier Guards.
 - Sergeant T. Chilton—Somerset.
 - Corpl. H. Belfon, Bridgwater—Somerset.
 - Private H. Perry—Devon.
 - Private H. Harrison—Somerset.
 - Private M. Bridgwater—Somerset.
 - Private C. Croome—Australasian.

- BROOCHBRIDGE MEN.**
- Ben Langford (France).
 - Harry Langford (Merioneth).
 - William Langford (Flinders).
 - William Hester (Rypp).
 - Henry Kier (Salisbury).
 - George Beck (France).
 - Harold Cook (France).
 - William Wall (France).
 - William Hester (France).
 - Emma Palmer (France).
 - William David (France).
 - Fred Dunster (France).
 - Alec Hector (France).
- MEN OF OTHER VILLAGES.**
- Corpl. J. A. Harris, Spaxton—Devon.
 - Gunner O. P. Lucas, Hainworth—H.M.S. Monmouth.
 - Sergeant E. Fry, Chedoke—Grenadier Guards.
 - Lance-Corpl. H. P. Webber, Puttison—London Regiment.
 - Private W. Keirle, Somerset Bridge—Somerset.
 - Private W. Staveland—Devon.
 - Private F. E. Johnson, Combeleigh—Devon.
 - Private L. Ashford, Chedoke—Australasian.
 - Sergeant H. Gibbs, Cannington—Somerset.
 - Private B. Barrett, Cannington—Somerset.
 - Private W. Knight, Nether Stoney—Somerset.
 - Private W. Chidley, Nether Stoney—Somerset.
 - Sergeant J. Dunning, Thurtrocks—Somerset.
 - Lance-Corpl. H. Chedoke, Cannington—Royal Marines.
 - Seaman J. E. Parsons, Combeleigh—H.M.S. Comet.
 - Private W. Roberts, North Pemberton—Somerset.
 - Lance-Corpl. L. J. Dean, Ashcott—Cornwall.
 - Sergeant C. Day, Wembdon—Fusiliers.
 - Private H. G. Bird, Broom—Irish Regiment.
 - Leading Stoker E. Vernon, Woolavington—Navy.
 - Trooper W. Andrews, Holford—W.S. Yeomanry.
 - Private A. Han, Shipway—Lancashire.
 - Corpl. T. Weake, Edington—W.S. Yeomanry.
 - Private T. Roberts, North Pemberton—Somerset.
 - Private J. E. Ewer, North Pemberton—Devon.
 - Private F. W. Baker, North Pemberton—Devon.
 - Private E. Giles, Holford—Canadian.
 - Private L. V. Yarnes, Bawdrip—Canadian.
 - Sergeant A. Pike, Hainworth—Sussex Regiment.
 - Sergeant A. Larington, Shipway—Coldstream Guards.
 - Private J. Williams, Shipway—R.F.A.
 - Lance-Corpl. W. Sealey, Spaxton—Wales Regiment.
 - Seaman H. House, North Pemberton—H.M.S. Queen Mary.
 - Leading Seaman J. Woolan, North Pemberton—H.M.S. Indefatigable.
 - Foreman Stoker D. Prosser, Middlebury—H.M.S. Lion.
 - C. J. Piny, Chilton Polden—Royal Marines.
 - 1st Class Stoker J. Palmer, Wembdon—H.M.S. Defence.
 - Gunner V. E. Norris, Burtle—R.M. Artillery.
 - Private A. Tadpole, Middlebury—Royal Engineers.
 - Private D. H. Baker, Somerset Bridge—Somerset.
 - Private C. Knight, Cannington—Somerset.
 - Sergeant J. Finlay, Westonsayland—Somerset.
 - Private H. Fucker, Burtle—Canadian.
 - Private W. French, Dodington—Devon.
 - Private S. Woolley, Chedoke—Somerset.
 - Private W. Chick, North Pemberton—Wales Fusiliers.
 - Edman C. L. Tippett, Staveland—London Regiment.
 - Private G. R. Baker, Nether Stoney—Somerset.
 - Private G. O. Staple, Lyng—Somerset.
 - Private R. J. Cochran, North Pemberton—Somerset.
 - Sergeant J. Finlay, Westonsayland—Somerset.
 - Private E. Bawden, Westonsayland—Somerset.
 - Private P. Stone, Chedoke—Somerset.
 - Corpl. A. Miller, North Pemberton—Somerset.
 - Private C. Lockyer, Middlebury—Gloucester.
 - Sergeant N. J. Reynolds, Hainworth—Somerset.
 - Private G. W. Baker, Nether Stoney—Somerset.
 - Private T. W. Porter, Durleigh—Somerset.
 - Private C. Clarke, Burtle—Royal Engineers.
 - Private J. J. Mead, Southwell—Somerset.
 - Private H. J. Davis, Shipway—Oxford and Bucks.
 - Corpl. A. Miller, North Pemberton—Somerset.
 - Private E. Jenkins, Goodstrey—Somerset.
 - Sapper T. Stockham, Puttison—West Somerset Battalion.
 - Private W. S. Baskler, Ostry—Canadian.
 - Lance-Corpl. F. L. Gray, North Pemberton—Somerset.

- LIST OF MEN WHO HAVE WON DISTINCTIONS.**
- A large number of lost officers and men have also gained distinction for gallantry in action or been mentioned in dispatch. No less than a dozen have received either the D.C.M. or D.S.M., while even have been awarded the Military Medal, six the Military Cross, and three the D.S.O. Other decorations have been obtained by local men several of whom have also been mentioned in dispatch.
- We append a list of the recipients, whose achievements have been recorded in the "Mercury" from time to time—
- D.S.O. Captain Percival Williams, R.A.M.C. (Bridgwater); Lieutenant-Commander A. G. Pease, R.N. (Bridgwater); Flight-Lieut. H. J. Arnold, R.N.A.S. (formerly of Bridgwater).
- D.C.M. Sergeant C. Wilson, Somerset L.I. (Bridgwater); Private W. Saunders, Somerset L.I. (Bridgwater); Sergeant Stanley Fowler, Somerset L.I. (Bridgwater); Lance-Corpl. Frank Price, Royal Engineers (Bridgwater); Sergeant G. Hill, R.A.M.C. (a native of Bridgwater); Lance-Corpl. F. Higham, Devon Regiment (formerly of Bridgwater); Quartermaster Sergeant T. Hoyle, Somerset L.I. (formerly of Bridgwater); late Sergeant E. J. Scott, R.E.A. (a native of Somerton); Corporal J. Gibson, Army Cyclist Corps (Charlton); Sergeant-Major E. Porter, R.F.C. (Spaxton); Corporal T. A. P. Willis, formerly of Cannington (Technical School).
- D.S.M. Albert Victor Corbish, R.N. (Cannington).
- Military Cross: Second-Lieut. E. Leonard Jones, Royal Fusiliers (Bridgwater); Company-Sergeant-Major W. Giles, Somerset L.I. (Bridgwater); Lieut. Gerald Wood, Durham Regiment (formerly of Bridgwater); Captain R. J. A. Hensler, Duke of Wellington's Regiment (Ontario); Lieut. Captain E. H. Webb, R.E.A. (Cannington); Lieut. J. Vale, Devon Regiment (Cannington).
- Military Medal: Late Private Gilbert Burroughs, Canadian Contingent (formerly of Bridgwater); Sergeant W. G. Fraunton, R.F.A. (formerly of Bridgwater); Corporal A. T. Williams, West Somerset Battalion (Bridgwater); Lance-Corpl. Albert Hugh, Canadian Royal Highlanders (Bridgwater); Sergeant Hector Edward Radford, R.A.M.C. (Bridgwater); Private Reg. Gardner, Gloucester Regiment (Westonsayland); Sergeant H. E. Gilbert, 8th Brigade (Cannington).
- French Legion of Honour: Captain Lionel Proctor, R.N. CB (formerly of Wembdon); Lieut. Colonel H. W. Puan, Field Ambulance (Somerton).
- Russian Cross and Order of St. George: Sergeant C. Wilson, Somerset L.I. (Bridgwater).
- Meritorious Service Medal: Sergeant-Major George Baskin, Somerset L.I. (aged 70, formerly of Bridgwater).
- Mentioned in Dispatch: Colonel R. A. Sanders, Royal North Devon Hussars (M.P. for Bridgwater Division); Lieut. Sergeant Joe Anglin, Somerset L.I. (Bridgwater); Sergeant C. Wilson, Somerset L.I. (Bridgwater); three times; Lieut. T. H. Jenkin, King's Royal Rifle Corps (formerly of Bridgwater); Captain E. V. Baker, A.S.C. (Bridgwater); Sergeant H. J. Porey, Lancaster Regiment (Bridgwater); Lance-Corpl. H. W. Puan, Field Ambulance (Somerton); Captain H. J. A. Hensler, Duke of Wellington's Regiment (Ontario); and Regimental-Sergeant-Major Henry Tucker, R.F.A. (Ostry).
- Bridgwater may be particularly proud of the part which is being played by her sons in the Great War, and we believe the borough proud of patriotism will be happy to help by any other town in the country or about the same size.