

Private Stephen Leaman

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ROLL OF HONOUR.

Two of the most prominent public men in Dawlish East and West, viz., Messrs W T Leaman, J.P. (chairman of the Urban Council), and J J Nicholls (Rural District Councillor, etc., of Eastdon farm), have recently suffered bereavement by the war.

Mr Leaman has just heard of the death of his third son, Pte Steve Leaman, a sniper of the signalling section of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Deceased's home was in S. Wales, where he formerly worked in a coal mine. He leaves a widow and one child to mourn his death. He had been twice wounded in the war. The officer of his detachment, writing to his widow, speaks in high terms of his soldierly qualities and special aptitude for the difficult and dangerous work he had been carrying out. This is the second son of Mr Leaman to be killed in the war.

Mr and Mrs J J Nicholls have to mourn the loss of their youngest son, John Jeffrey Nicholls, of the Canadian Field Ambulance, who died of wounds in France on Oct. 12th. He was aged 25. Those who knew him can well understand that no considerations of personal safety would stand in his way when there was duty to be done, however dangerous. He was one of the most **dashing and most popular playing mem-**

ber of the Dawlish Association football team a few years ago. His prowess on the field of play was carried into the grim game of war.

Deep sympathy will be felt with both families in their bereavement.