

Edward Mudge - 18th April 1915

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We regret to announce the death of Edward Mudge, of the Wessex R. F. A., a young Dawlish territorial, who passed away at the local Red Cross Hospital on Thursday. The deceased had been home on sick leave for some weeks. He was taken worse a few days ago, and was removed to the Red Cross Hospital, where he succumbed despite unremitting attention. The immediate cause of death was haemorrhage of the lungs.

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The internment took place on Saturday afternoon in the Dawlish Cemetery, of Pte Edward Mudge, of the 4th Wessex R.F.A., who died at the Dawlish Red Cross Hospital the previous Thursday. Deceased, who was a native of Dawlish, was accorded military honours. The Rev. D P Williams (curate) officiated in the Parish Church and at the graveside. The coffin bore the inscription :-

Edward Mudge,
died 26th April. 1915,
Aged 20 years

A bearer party, consisting of 11 men and a trumpeter, attended from Crediton (where deceased had been previously stationed), under the command of Sergt. Powlesland. As deceased remains were lowered into the grave the "Last Post" was sounded. The firing party was supplied from D Company, 3rd Devon Regiment, stationed in Dawlish, and was under the command of Sergt. Mudd.

There were many beautiful wreaths, from the family, officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the 4th Wessex, R.F.A.; the Quartermaster (Mrs Hildyard), and Assistant Quartermaster (Miss Hildyard) of the Dawlish Red Cross Hospital; and the staff of the hospital