

Henry Thomas Deadman

Corporal, 3rd Battalion Wiltshire Regiment. Enlisted at Devizes, April 12th, 1906. Went to France in 1914 with the British Expeditionary Force. Fought in Belgium and France, and was killed in action at the Battle of the Marne, October 24th, 1914. Awarded the Mons Medal.



HENRY DEADMAN WAS born in Neston in 1888; his parents were John and Mary Deadman. John was a quarryman. John and Mary already had two daughters, Ellen and Emily, and a son, Frederick, when Henry was born, and Ernest and Cecil were later additions. In 1891 they were living in one of the cottages known as the Snatches in Neston and in 1901 were in Green Lane. Henry's father John was now a widower, as Mary had died in 1895. John was recorded as a freestone quarryman.

By 1911 Henry, or Harry as he was called on his service record, was in the 1st Wiltshire Regiment serving in South Africa – he had already been in Army service for eight years when, as part of the British Expeditionary Force, he was killed at the Battle of the Marne on 24th October 1914.