

Surname	Blinch
Forename(s)	Wilfred Joseph Hastings
Initials	W J H
Age	26
Honours/Awards	
Date died	16/08/1916
Rank	Second Lieutenant
Regiment	The Kings (Liverpool Regiment)
Unit/Squadron	13th Bn. formerly (999) Lce. Cpl. 15th (The King's) Hussars
Service Number	
Cemetery/Memorial	Thiepval Memorial
Grave Reference	Pier and Face 1 D 8 B and 8 C.
Further Information	Son of Mrs. Blinch, of 10 Prescott Street, New Brighton and later 25, Mountfield, Prestwich, Manchester. A Reservist. Returned from Federated Malay States, Nov., 1914.



News Report

Four Sons

New Brighton Family's Proud Record (April 1918)

In a recent list of honours appeared the name of Mr. J. Russell Blinch, chief petty officer on H.M. Torpedo Destroyer -----, who has been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for his behaviour under trying and difficult circumstances in the North Sea. Mr. Blinch, who is the second son of Mrs. Blinch, 10, Prescot Street, New Brighton, has been in the Navy since he was 15 years old, and has already been awarded the long Service Medal.

Colour-Sergt. W.C. Blinch, the eldest son of Mrs. Blinch, is acting as musketry instructor to the 7th Battalion of the Canadians in France, and has been officially

commended for the valuable services he has rendered during the war. He served in the Boer War and afterwards went to Canada, where he carried on a fruit farm in Vancouver, prior to joining the Forces.

Mrs. Blinch's third son, Pte. H. Garner Blinch, came over with one of the first Canadian contingents, the Winnipeg Grenadiers. He was wounded whilst trying to save a comrade in the first battle of the Somme, and has since been in a Canadian hospital at Moosejaw, Regina, where he is now awaiting his discharge.

A fourth son, 2nd. Lieut. Wilfred J. Blinch belonged to the King's Liverpool Regt., and was killed in the Somme advance.

References and Acknowledgments

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