

Surname	Eccles
Forename	Walter
Initials	W
Age	23
Honours/Awards	
Date died	19/10/1917
Rank	Gunner
Regiment	Royal Field Artillery
Unit/Squadron	"D" Bty. 285 <sup>th</sup> Bde.
Service Number	676070
Cemetery/Memorial	Cement House Cemetery
Grave Reference	VIII.A.26
Further Information	Third son of Mrs. C. Eccles and the late James Eccles, of 39 Field Road, Wallasey. Educated at Rock School, Magazine Lane, New Brighton. Was a gardener by occupation. Had been in France in France since February 1917. Killed instantly by a bursting shell.



#### News Report

##### "He Did His Duty"

Official information has been received of the death in action of Gunner Walter Eccles, R.F.A., third son of Mrs. C. Eccles, and of the late Mr. James Eccles, of 39, Field Road, New Brighton.

In writing to the bereaved mother the Major of the Barry says that Gunner Eccles was killed instantaneously on October 19<sup>th</sup> by the bursting of a shell. He did his duty as an Englishman, and could not have wished to die a nobler death. The deceased, who was 23 years of age, had been in France since February of this year. He was educated at Rock School, Magazine Lane, New Brighton, and was a gardener by occupation. Two other brothers are with the colours, Private F. Eccles, of the Cheshire Regt., in France, and Rifleman J.s. Eccles, who is at

present on hospital leave.

References and Acknowledgments

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