Surname	Johnston
Forename(s)	Edward Cecil
Initials	E C
Age	21
Honours/Awards	
Date died	17/08/1916
Rank	Third Engineer
Regiment	Royal Navy
Unit/Squadron	H.M. Yacht "Zaida."
Service Number	
Cemetery/Memorial	Plymouth Naval Memorial
Grave Reference	19.
Further Information	Son of Samuel and Elizabeth Johnston, of 25 Kent Road, Liscard. Educated at Somerville School, Poulton and employed at Cammell-Lairds, Birkenhead. At the age of 13 he was awarded a certificate for saving two boys from drowning at Poulton.

News Report

<u>Lost On The Zaida</u>

According to official report, two officers and eight men were lost on the armed yacht Zaida in the Gulf of Alexandretta last August. Among the missing men was Engineer E.C. Johnston, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Johnston, of 25 Kent Road, Wallasey. Mr. Johnston was educated at the Poulton and Somerville Schools, and served his time at Messrs. Cammell Laird's, Birkenhead. At the age of thirteen he was awarded the Humane Society's certificate and medal for saving two boys from drowning at Poulton. He entered the Navy last May, and has a brother also in the Service as a wireless operator. An official communication has been received by the parents from the Admiralty, in which they say :-
"From further reports which have been received it appears that there can now

be no doubt that he lost his life when the vessel was sunk."

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