Surname	Kenny
Forename	James
Initials	J
Age	20
Honours/Awards	
Date died	03/06/1915
Rank	Private
Regiment	York and Lancaster Regiment
Unit/Squadron	"C" Coy. 2nd Bn.
Service Number	9810
Cemetery/Memorial	Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial
Grave Reference	Panel 36 and 55.
Further Information	Son of James and Louisa Kenny, of 155, Wheatland Lane,
	Seacombe, Cheshire.



News Report

Plucky Seacombe Man

The intimation has been received at his home, 155, Wheatland Lane, Seacombe, of the death at Ypres of Private James Kenny, of the Yorkshire and Lancashire Regiment.

A letter from the captain of his company has reached his mother and in this it is mentioned that Private Kenny was buried at St. Jean, not far from the scene of the battle.

Private Kenny, who joined the Army six years ago, returned from India, where he had been stationed some three years, in December, and left for France just after Christmas. He was wounded in February in rather remarkable circumstances. A bullet passed clean through his chest, wounding a comrade who was sitting

down to a meal with him. Private Kenny was unconscious that he himself had been hit until it was pointed out to him that he was bleeding. Even then he attached little importance to his injury and, after being bandaged, went back to the trench. Later, however, he had to be invalided home. In his absence his regiment suffered very severely; he wrote to his mother on his return that few of the old faces remained. He did not long survive himself on returning to the front line.

Since the outbreak of war, deceased's father has enlisted in his son's regiment, in which he is now a sergeant.

References and Acknowledgments

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