


Surname	Mercer
Forename	Harry
Initials	H
Age	21
Honours/Awards	
Date died	13/04/1918
Rank	Lance Bombardier
Regiment	Royal Field Artillery
Unit/Squadron	38 <sup>th</sup> Bty.
Service Number	43058
Cemetery/Memorial	Tyne Cot Memorial
Grave Reference	Panel 4 to 6 and 162.
Further Information	Youngest son Mrs and of late Mr Henry J Mercer. Educated at <a href="#">St. Mary's School</a> , Liscard. Member of <a href="#">Seacombe Congregational Church</a> . Joined the army in June 1915.
	 <p>www.historyofwallasey.co.uk</p>
<p>News Report</p> <p><u>Two Brothers</u></p> <p>The sad information has been received that Bombr. Harry Mercer, R.F.A., was killed in action on April 13. He joined the Army in June, 1915, and was drafted to France in November of the same year. He was previously wounded on August 20, 1917. The brave young soldier who was in the 21<sup>st</sup> year, was educated at St. Mary's School, Liscard, and was an electrician with the Union Cold Storage Co., Liverpool. He was a member of Seacombe's Congregational Church, the Sunday School, and Christian Endeavour Society, and was a good all-round sport, football being his favourite hobby. He was the youngest son of Mrs. Mercer, and of the late Mr. Henry Henry J. Mercer, 20, Trinity Road, Liscard.</p> <p>Lieut. B.L. de Robeck writes:-"Dear Mrs. Mercer,- I am afraid I have to tell you that your son, Bombr. Mercer, has been killed in action. He showed great</p>	

promise in his work, and has always done well in the battery. We had been heavily shelled and attacked by the enemy, and all the men did excellent work in staying with the guns. When we retake the ground, as we hope to do, I will see that his grave is well cared for. The position has been carefully noted, and I will let you know it as soon as we are able to say where we are. We all sympathise with you deeply in your terrible loss.”

Mrs. Mercer has also received news that her eldest son, Corpl. Shirley Mercer, R.G.A., was wounded and shellshocked on April 17, and is lying in the Stationary Hospital, Genoa. He mobilised in August, 1914, and was formerly in the service of the Union Cold Storage Co., Liverpool.

#### References and Acknowledgments

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