Surname	Astley
Forename	Christopher Basil
Initials	СВ
Age	22
Honours/Awards	
Date died	27/07/1918
Rank	Lieutenant
Regiment	The King's (Liverpool Regiment)
Unit/Squadron	10th. Bn and 1st/6th Bn. South Highlanders
Service Number	
Cemetery/Memorial	St. Sever Cemetery, Rouen
Grave Reference	Officers, B.6.23.
Further Information	son of Rev. J.H and Mrs Astley, of New Brighton.



## **News Report**

Last week we reported the death from wounds received in action of Lieut. C.B. Astley, Liverpool Scottish, the fourth and youngest son of the Rev. J.H. and Mrs. Astley, of New Brighton. The gallant officer was previously wounded last year, and served in France since September, 1916.

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**Chronicles News** 

## New Brighton Officer's Death

Lieut. Christopher Astley, aged 22, of the 10<sup>th</sup> Liverpool (Scottish) Regiment, and attached to the Seaforth Highlanders died of wounds at the General Hospital, Rouen, on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, having been previously wounded in 1917. The deceased officer, who was one of the first to respond to the call of duty, joined the Liverpool Scottish on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 1914, was granted a commission in his battalion in August, 1916, and on proceeding to France the following October was attached to the London Scottish. "Chris" Astley rejoined his own battalion in 1917, and gained a reputation for keenness and efficiency,

till his progress was temporarily checked by a wound received in May last year.

Since then he had been attached to the Seaforth Highlanders, in which battalion he received his C.O.'s congratulations for bringing in several German prisoners from a night patrol. He only lived four days after the fatal wound he received, and he will be greatly missed as a brave and capable soldier and a true and loyal comrade. He was educated at Elleray Park School, Wallasey, and took a leading part in the cricket and football teams, while on leaving school he was a playing member of the New Brighton Rugby Football Club and Wallasey Cricket Club. He was the youngest of the four sons of the Rev. J.H and Mrs Astley, of New Brighton, the other three still on active service.

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