GEORGE CURWEN SERVICE NUMBER 21671

Born in Cartmel in 1889, the son of James Curwen (a domestic servant) and his wife Elizabeth of Spring Bank Farm. He had four brothers and three sisters. By 1911 his mother had died and the family lived at Beech Row on Grange Fell Road. George was thirteen years old and worked as a grocer's errand boy.

He joined the King's Own Royal Lancaster Regiment in Ulverston in September 1915. Prior to this he was in farm service in Heversham. He arrived at the Front in March 1916 and was killed approximately 3 weeks later on the 3rd April 1916. That day Captain E. L. Barnes, 2nd Lt. C. A. Williams and Capt. Bridson were also killed along with 16 other ranks. A memorial service was held at the Congregational Church in Grange on 16th May 1916 attended by his family and friends. Four of his brothers were also serving with the colours at that time.

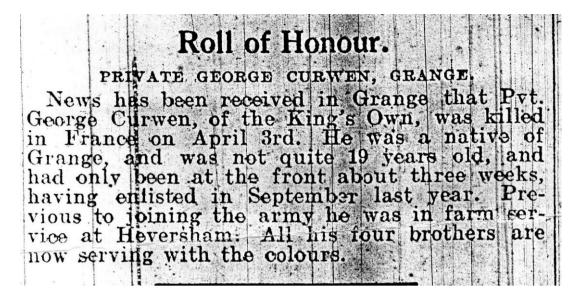
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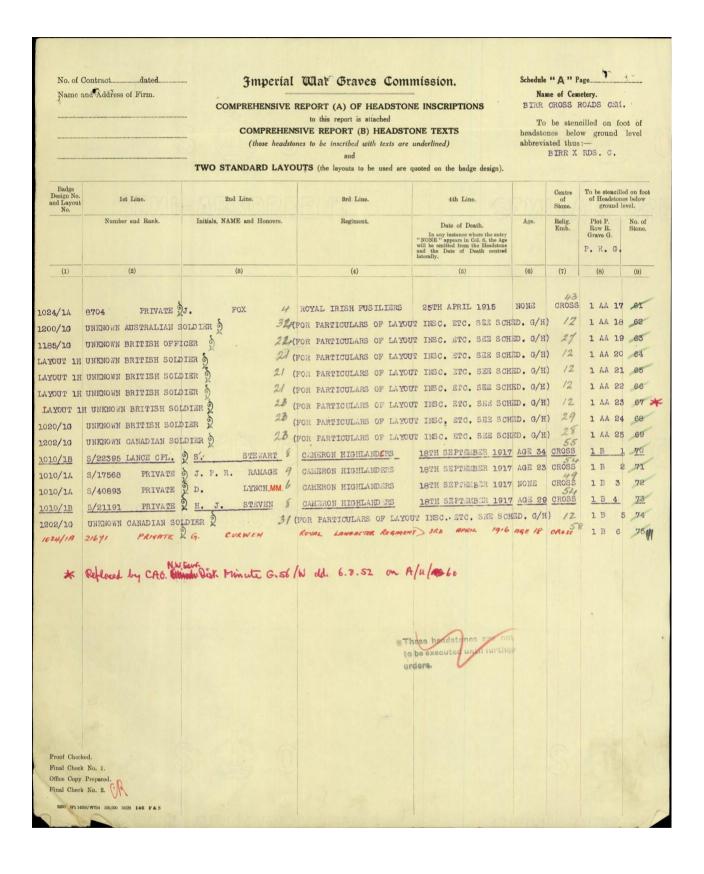
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