

LIEUT. ARTHUR H. R. BURN
KILLED IN ACTION.
on 30 Oct 1914
LORD LEITH'S GRANDSON.

Lieutenant Arthur Herbert Rosdew Burn, 1st Royal Dragoons, was killed in action on Sunday, intelligence of his death, fighting for his King and country, having been communicated to his mother, the Hon. Mrs Burn, wife of Colonel C. Rosdew Burn, and daughter of Lord and Lady Leith of Fyvie.

Lieutenant Burn, who left Oxford to join his father's old regiment, the 1st Royal Dragoons, about two months ago, had been at the front for only ten days. He was 22 years of age, having been born on June 30, 1892, in Eng-



[Photo, Milne, Turriff.]

Mr Arthur Burn.

land, while his father was aide-de-camp to the Duke of Connaught. Prior to entering Oxford, after having received his earlier education at Eton, he spent a year at Heidelberg, Germany, studying the language. He left Oxford, as stated, only this autumn.

Much of his time was spent on the Fyvie estate, and his love for that district was intense. Combining with a splendid physique a modest, unassuming simplicity of manner and disposition, he was regarded by all the tenantry and residents with feelings of esteem. An expert rider, and possessed of a fondness for the gun and rod, Lieutenant Burn was a thorough and skilful sportsman.

Testimony to the regard in which he was held was afforded in the spontaneity of the rejoicings on the Fyvie estates when he attained his majority. The blow is all the more heavy in view of that recent event.

No details are yet available as to the circumstances in which Lieutenant Burn met his death. Colonel Burn, his father, is at present also serving with the Expeditionary Force, and has been in action.

Lord Leith of Fyvie's only son lost his life in South Africa during the war of 1899-1902.

The other members of the family of Colonel and the Hon. Mrs Burn are Miss Lorna Marsalie and Master Robert Ian Algernon.

LATE LIEUT. A. H. R. BURN.

Torquay Memorial Service.

Sympathetic References by Fyvie Ministers.

A memorial service to the late Lieutenant A. H. R. Burn (elder son of Colonel C. R. Burn, M.P. for Torquay), who was killed in action with the 1st Royal Dragoons—his father's old regiment—was held at St Matthias Church, Torquay. The chief mourners were Colonel Burn, in uniform, he is a bearer of dispatches from the front; the Hon. Mrs Burn, Miss Lorna Burn, Master Ian Burn, and Lord and Lady Leith of Fyvie. In the congregation were wounded officers from Colonel and Mrs Burn's Red Cross Hospital at their Torquay residence, wounded Belgians from the Torbay Hospital, and the Local Red Cross Hospital's staff.

As Colonel and Mrs Burn left the church they received from a crowded congregation quiet demonstrations of sympathy, which the hon. and gallant member acknowledged with a military salute.

Fyvie Churches.

References to the late Lieutenant Arthur Herbert Rosdew Burn, grandson of Lord Leith of Fyvie, who was killed in action recently, were made in both the Fyvie churches yesterday.

The Rev. John Lamb, in the Parish Church, made the following tribute:—

"Somehow I think this aspect of life must be ever present on our minds to-day as we remember the life of one we loved, a life laid down for King and country, for honour and righteousness, a life lost to gain life. The choice we have been speaking of to-day was the one made by the late Lieutenant Arthur Burn; with him it was honour first. Ours was the privilege to know what that meant for him. It gave him that great straightforwardness that marks an enlightened soul. Here lay the root of his grandeur which was never broken; of his gallantry, which stamped him as one of the world's gentlemen; of his ambition, which was pure; of his religion, which was earnest and sincere. His was the manliness that makes men.

FOR KING AND COUNTRY.

Preaching in St Mary's Church, the Rev. George Minty said:—"The lament of David over the death in battle of Saul and Jonathan well expresses our feelings to-day, as we lament the many in high places who have fallen in this unprecedented war. There has scarcely been a family in high life which has not had to mourn for one dead or wounded, and it has been brought home to ourselves in this parish and neighbourhood by the very sad news of Lieutenant Arthur Burn's death. He loved the Fyvie people; they loved him. He deserved their love. They were proud of him, and they looked forward to the time when, in due course, he would be their laird.

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The deepest sympathy of our Congregation extended to Mrs. A. Mackie and her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Cowie and family, Home Farm, Rothienorman, to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley and family, South Wells, and to Mr. and Mrs. Massie and family, Woodhead. To all these homes these days of war have brought the keenest sorrow that even war can bring.

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"I'VE GIVEN MY SON": M.P.'s APPEAL.



Colonel Burn, M.P., makes an eloquent appeal for recruits at the Chelsea v. Notts County football match at Stamford Bridge. "I've given my son—he's gone—and if I had nine I'd give every one of them," he said.

COLONEL BURN'S APPEAL TO FOOTBALLERS.

London Shocked.

London was shocked yesterday, and rather disgusted, to learn that the only result of Colonel Burn's noble and stirring appeal delivered at half-time at the Chelsea-Notts. match at Stamford Bridge on Saturday afternoon was one recruit (says the "Glasgow Herald"). There was a crowd of 25,000 present, and a respectful attention was accorded to Colonel Burn. "As a soldier," he said, "I ask you. I am not saying go. I say, 'Come, your country needs you. One man to-day is worth ten in a month's time. I have been at the front since the war began. I leave for the front again to-morrow—for the scene where my elder boy has already died a glorious death for his country.' The appeal fell on deaf ears, for the London Central Recruiting Office was able yesterday to attribute only one enlistment to the gallant Colonel's effort.