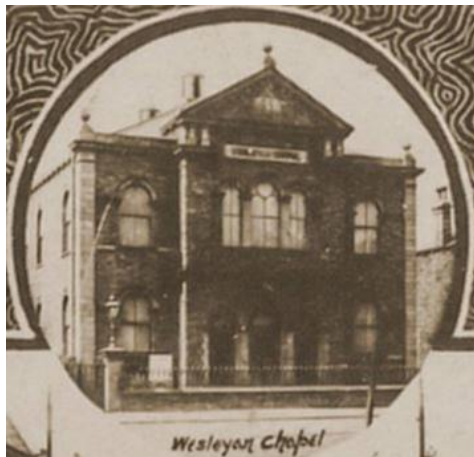




# Ravensthorpe Wesleyan Methodist Chapel



DEWSBURY SACRIFICES



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## MISSING RAVENSTHORPE BEAMER

On Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Simpson, Sackville Street, Ravensthorpe, were officially informed that their eldest son, Lance-Corporal Clifford Simpson, Scottish Borderers, had been reported wounded and missing as from August 16th. On August 18th a letter was received at Ravensthorpe giving currency to a rumour that Simpson had been killed, but that was negated by the receipt of a communication stating that he had been wounded, but how and where he had been removed was not stated. Mr. Simpson instituted inquiries, with the result stated above. Simpson is about 22 years of age, and was formerly a beamer in the employ of Messrs. Rawden, Briggs, and Co., Ravensthorpe.



Clifford Simpson

## BAD NEWS LONG DELAYED. FATE OF A RAVENSTHORPE PRIVATE.

We regret to learn that official news has recently been received of the death of Pte. John Arnold Hemingway, late of Ravensthorpe. For some time past anxiety has prevailed amongst his relatives concerning the fate which has befallen him, a letter having been received so far back as November 27th, 1916, from a soldier in France stating that Pte. Hemingway had been killed in action, but this was only confirmed by the War Office about a week ago. He was resident in Ravensthorpe for about twelve years, and during the greater part of that period was connected with the Wesleyan Chapel and Sunday School, also being a member of the choir up to the time he joined H.M. Forces. He joined up in November, 1914, in the K.O.Y.L.I., but was very soon transferred to the Princess of

Wales' Own Yorkshire Regiment (Green Howards), and was in training at Darlington about nine months, going overseas in August, 1915, to Suvla Bay. There he was slightly wounded, but he also contracted enteric fever, and was taken to hospital in Alexandria, Egypt, where he remained for about ten weeks, afterwards proceeding to hospital in Glasgow, and was detained there for about ten weeks also. Following upon this he was granted sick leave, and visited his wife and relatives in this district from April 6th to May 15th, 1916, when he returned to Richmond, near Darlington, and was only there a few weeks before being drafted out to France, where he met his death on Sunday, November 5th, 1916. He leaves a wife and little girl aged eighteen months, and no doubt the official intimation regarding his death will be sad news to the many friends who have known and respected him in his past career. Mrs. Hemingway's present address is 11, Ravenswharf Road, Seout Hill, Dewsbury.



Pte. J. A. Hemingway, Princess of Wales' Regt., Ravensthorpe (killed).



Fred Hey

Pte. JACK WHITELEY 6th Northamptonshire Regt. (killed) April 11th 1915



Pte. Joseph Laycock Died Sept 1915



Pte. Leonard Calvert, Batley Carr (killed)

There is a record of a memorial in David Tattersfield's book 'A Village Goes to War'. The memorial is in two parts. The first lists 10 men who fell and the second 90 men who served. As well as the men shown here the others who fell are: Bertie Howroyd, John Roberts, John Schorah and John Schofield.