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Private S. Bevan, of Cambridge, Killed.

News has been received by Mr. Bevan, of 23, Victoria-road, Cambridge, that his son, Pte. S. Bevan, of the 7th Service Suffolk Regiment, died from wounds in the 3rd Casualty Clearing Station in France on July 12th.

The Rev. A. F. G. Fletcher, Chaplain to the Forces, writing to Mr. Bevan states that Pte. Bevan was brought into the hospital with a terrible wound in his head, caused by shrapnel. He was quite unconscious when he arrived, and everything possible was done for him. Skilled surgeons at once operated in the hope of saving his life, but the damage done was too great to be remedied and he passed away quietly on July 12th. He could have suffered no pain, since from the moment he was struck he was unconscious. Mr. Fletcher states that he himself buried him in the Bailleul Military Hospital Cemetery on July 13th, in grave 1483. A cross has been erected over the grave, bearing the deceased's name and the full particulars of his death, and the grave will be carefully tended.

Pte. Bevan, who was only 24 years of age at the time of his death, joined the colours last August at the outbreak of the war. He was educated at St. Luke's School and King-street School, and was later apprenticed to Messrs. Northfield and Sons as a painter, serving the firm after his apprenticeship until he joined the Army.