

The Barnardiston family, as East Anglians are well aware, has given numerous scions to the military forces of the Crown. The gentleman whose death is now reported had an especially active career. He was educated privately and at Merton College, Oxford, and in 1878 passed from the probationary period in the West Suffolk Militia to a second lieutenancy in the 77th Regiment. He rose by successive stages to a high command in the Middlesex Regiment. He passed the Staff College in 1888, and from 1889 to 1892 was Aide-de-Camp to the Commander-in-Chief of Bermuda. From 1894 to 1897 he was Deputy-Assistant, Adjutant-General in the Eastern district, becoming Staff-Captain (Intelligence Division at Headquarters in 1898. Then he passed to a semi-diplomatic phase of his career. From 1902 to 1906 he was military attache at Brussels and the Hague, in succeeding years holding similar appointments at Copenhagen, Stockholm, and Christiania. It was during this period that matters of notable importance were transacted at Brussels. After the conquest of the Belgian capital in 1914, the Germans alleged that certain documents they discovered in the archives tended to show that something akin to negotiations had taken place violating Belgian neutrality. Col. Barnardiston's name was associated with these so-called discoveries, which proved to be more hypothetical than real.

After his return from the Low Countries Col. Barnardiston became second in command of the Royal Military College at Sandhurst. He served in South Africa in 1901-1902, and gained the King's medal with four clasps.

In 1914, when war broke out, General Barnardiston was in command of the British troops in China, and it fell to his lot to participate in the operations which, in conjunction with the Japanese forces, resulted in the capture of Tsing-tau. He afterwards proceeded to Tokio. He attended the fetes held in commemoration of the conquest, and was received by the Emperor of Japan. In recognition of his services he received the honour of C.B. from the King and the first class of the Order of Aviz from the Japanese. He held numerous other decorations, including the Orders of the Osmanieh, Dannebrog, Sword, Léopold, and St. Olaf, as well as the British Order M.V.O.

General Barnardiston was a life member of the Institute, having been elected on July 19th, 1917.

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MR. H. LORD.

(Extract from the "Bury and Norwich Post.")

The village of Kentford is a very great deal the poorer through the loss by death on May 9th of Mr. H. Lord. Deceased had held various offices in the village, being Chairman of the Parish Meeting since its inception until a year or two ago, Poor Law Guardian, churchwarden, and for many years treasurer for the local Shepherds' Lodge. Being a man of keen observation, and with a fair amount of leisure, he was always quick to notice any needed repairs to public property and to see improvements made. Especially was this the case with regard to the church and schools, in both of which he took a very great interest. It is only a short time ago we recorded the gift of a beautiful stained glass window in the church in memory of his deceased son. Mr. Lord had spent the greater part of his life here, his late father having purchased the Lodge about 50 years ago. The deceased gentleman leaves a widow and three sons, his eldest son having been killed in France.

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COLONEL DEWING.

(Extract from "Bury and Norwich Post.")

The death occurred on Sunday of Colonel Edward John Dewing, who has lived in the village of Rougham for many years, and took great interest in local affairs. He was a churchwarden, and Chairman of the School Com-

mittee. Col. Dewing was formerly in the Royal Engineers, and was the eldest son of the late Mr. Edward M. Dewing, of Nowten. He entered Woolwich in 1868, and served at home and abroad till 1901, principally in connection with Ordnance Survey. He was of a retiring disposition, but will be much missed by his neighbours for unostentatious benefactions.

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THE REV. CANON W. R. RAVEN-HART.

(Extract from the "East Anglian Daily Times.")

The name of Raven has long been associated with the North Suffolk parish of Fressingfield. In its religious and social life the late Canon Wm. Roland Raven-Hart and his father, the late Canon John James Raven, each did their part to promote the well-being of all around them.

The deceased Canon (who passed away on November 20th) had been rector of Fressingfield for twelve years. He accepted the living on the death of his father. He was the second son of the late Rev. Canon Raven, D.D., and was born at Bungay School, when his father was the headmaster at the Grammar School there. He was also at Yarmouth Grammar School, when the late Canon Raven was in charge, and he proceeded from there to Emmanuel College, Cambridge, where he took his M.A. degree in 1887. In that year he was curate of Bray, Berks, and in 1889, became the incumbent of Glen Allagh and C. of Milford, co. Donegal, where he remained until 1892. Later he succeeded his father at Fressingfield. He was appointed an hon. canon of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich in 1914.

The deceased gentleman, besides being most active in his church duties, and in every way a model incumbent of what was a large parish, devoted himself whole-heartedly to other work. Besides being a keen archæologist, Canon Raven-Hart played no small part in the life of the village. Until his retirement he was a most useful member of the Parish Council.

Despite his physical unfitness for strenuous outdoor work such as was involved in belonging to the Volunteers, he served as an officer of the 6th Suffolk Volunteer Battalion from its inception. Whatever he did, and with whatever movement or organisation he was associated, Canon Raven-Hart did not fail to display an enthusiastic interest.

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THE REV. F. D. BROWN.

(Extract from the "East Anglian Daily Times.")

"The Rev. F. D. Brown gave 32 years devoted service to the parish of Wivesham as its Rector, and was taken to his rest on January 1st. In all matters connected with the parish he took the deepest interest, and gained the love of all with whom he came in contact. For many years he represented the parish on the Woodbridge Rural District Council."

He was, too, an ardent though honorary member of the "Star of Swiland." Court of the Ancient Order of Foresters, and acted as Secretary to the Juvenile Court, held at Wivesham.