

**In Memory of
Private CHARLES HENRY GOSLING
15995, 1st Bn., Royal Berkshire Regiment
Who died, age 30, on 28 September 1915
Son of Isaac Gosling, of Station Rd., Faringdon, Berks,
and the late Agnes Gosling.
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LOOS MEMORIAL**



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Battle of Loos

12.30 am. Battalion collected from fatigues and working parties in order to attack Fosse No 8 at 2.30am. Capt Radford DSO went to the Brigade HQ at the VII Divisional Dugouts to explain that the battalion were scattered on fatigues and that the position to be attacked and the approaches were strange to the officers.

Personal message from General Gough (1st Corps) explained that owing to the situation the attack was imperative. Cos moved in file to the rendezvous A. B. C. D. HQ MGs. Here the battalion formed up in Company Column and advanced towards the objective 800 yards away.

During the advance two lines of captured German trenches and two lines of barbed wire had to be crossed - these were manned by British troops. Owing to the bright moonlight the enemy saw us advancing when we were 400 yards from our objective (Fosse 8): they put up "Very" lights and kept up a continuous rifle fire on us from our right front - this grew heavier as we got nearer. The Battalion advanced steadily A, B and part of C Coy going straight for the Fosse.

They were unable owing to the heavy fire from the enemy who by this time were manning the top of the Fosse to gain the slag heap, being checked about 70 yards from it. D and part of C Coy meanwhile advanced and manned the front British trench.

During this time 2nd Lieut A B Turner single handed bombed down a German communication trench driving the enemy before him a distance of over 150 yards. During the whole of this period the Germans were throwing bombs at 2/Lt Turner. While performing this very gallant act he was mortally wounded. By this time, it was known that the CO Major Bird was wounded and Capt Radford DSO 2nd in command was killed. In consequence, the command devolved on Capt C W Frizzell who was in command of the rear company D: also by this time Colonel Carter the Brigadier was up in the first trench. Seeing that the first two companies were checked Colonel Carter gave Captain Frizzell the order to charge with the remaining men available. This order was carried.....