In Memory of
Lieutenant FRANK PARGETER COBDEN
104th Sqdn., Royal Air Force
(Formerly of the Royal Berkshire Regiment
Machine Gun Corps)
Who died, age 21, on 7 July 1918
Son of Harry Thomas and Eliza Cobden,
of Elmside, Gloucester St., Faringdon, Berks.
Remembered with honour
Faringdon War Memorial and



NIEDERZWEHREN CEMETERY

Commemorated in perpetuity by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

The city of Kassel lies in the centre of Germany approximately 165 km south of Hannover. The cemetery was begun by the Germans in 1915 for the burial of prisoners of war who died at the local camp. During the war almost 3,000 Allied soldiers and civilians, including French, Russian and Commonwealth, were buried there. In 1922-23 it was decided that the graves of Commonwealth servicemen who had died all over Germany should be brought together into four permanent cemeteries. Niederzwehren was one of those chosen and in the following four years, more than 1,500 graves were brought into the cemetery from 190 burial grounds in Baden, Bavaria, Hanover, Hesse and Saxony. There are now 1,796 First World War servicemen buried or commemorated in the Commonwealth plot at Niederzwehren. This total includes special memorials to 13 casualties buried in other cemeteries in Germany whose graves could not be found.

On 20th July 1916 2nd Lt Cobden of the Royal Berkshire Regiment Machine Gun Corps was wounded with gunshot wounds to the head, thigh and hands. He was sent to the base hospital in Boulogne and then transferred to Somerville College Hospital, Oxford whence he made a satisfactory recovery.