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## BURIED WITH FULL MILITARY HONOURS AT HASLEMERE

Corporal Sidney Miles, of the Scots Guards, and a native of the village of Haslemere, was buried in the church yard of the Haslemere Parish Church with military honours on Saturday, September 8th. Death came as the result of an operation performed in the hope of saving his life and made necessary by wounds received at the front. Corporal Miles was in the service at the beginning of the war and was in the first of the fighting. He was wounded early in the struggle and sent to the hospital. Recovering the first wound, he returned to the front only to receive another. Four times this was repeated, the last time proving fatal.

His funeral was an impressive one. Few people knew of the funeral arrangements, yet a goodly crowd of civilians and soldiers were in attendance. The strains of the dirge as the procession, headed by the band of the Western Ontario Reserve, passed through the streets, attracted scores and by the time the church was reached the crowd was four times the original number.

At the church the Rev. Compton held a short service and the remains were taken to the cemetery. At the side of the open grave the military service was read and a firing party from the Seaforth Reserve fired a last salute in honour of one who gave his life for King and Country. Last Post was

sounded and four of the Seaforth corporals gently lowered the casket to its last resting place, while civilians stood with bowed heads and soldiers stood at the salute in mark of last respect.

Corporal Miles was well and honourably known in this district. He leaves behind a number of relatives, among them a brother who stood at the grave side in the uniform of the navy. To these relatives and to the host of friends remaining, The Clansman extends the most sincere sympathy. Their solace, however, lies in the knowledge that the departed lad answered to duty and that his duty was well done. He gave his life to that duty as thousands have done, and he has been called to his reward as they have been called to theirs.

We must express regret at sending out this issue of the paper without stitching, but the fact of the matter is that wire for that purpose is harder to get than a permanent pass to Canada. We foresaw the shortage some time ago and sought to conserve our meagre supply by using a single stitch—but even at that it takes several yards of wire to turn out a single issue of the sheet. We had also hoped to have a goodly number of illustrations for this number, but the blocks, which we are getting through the courtesy of Canada Weekly, are delayed in the post and had not arrived at a late hour last night. They will appear in the next issue, however.