

FREDERICK ASA WERDEN, son of Albert A. and Hester Drummond Werden, was one of the older graduates of P.C.I. At the time the War broke out he was engaged in a general store business at Mimico, but Fred literally "shut up shop" to serve King and country. He joined the 124th Battalion and was speedily promoted to a Captaincy, but reverted to the rank of Lieutenant in order to get to France. He was sent out to the 75th Battalion about May 1, 1917, and served continuously on the firing-line for fifteen months, taking part in the Battles of La Coulette, Lens, Passchendaele, Arras, Amiens, Drocourt-Quéant, Canal du Nord, Bourslon Wood, and Cambrai. He had regained his Captaincy early in 1917. On August 8, 1918, he was wounded and spent three weeks in hospital, returning to his Unit and going into action again on September 1. He was wounded on the Arras-Cambrai road at 3 a.m., Sept. 30, a shell penetrating his body and coming out at the lungs. He died October 1, at No. 30 Casualty Clearing Station, and was buried in a British Cemetery at Ficheux.

During the War both of Captain Werden's parents passed away.