

DOUGLAS CAMERON THOMSON, son of John and Lillian Bleakley Thompson, joined the 126th (Peel) Battalion as a Private in 1916, but was afterwards transferred to the 116th Battalion and thence to the 10th Battalion. He saw service in France from January, 1917, to September, 1918. He took part in the Battles of Vimy Ridge and Arleux in April, 1917, and won his commission on the field. He was sent to England to obtain the same, and returned to France in November, 1917, joining the 10th Battalion. He took part in patrolling No Man's Land in February, at Bully Grenay, and was the only unwounded survivor. He was recommended for conspicuous gallantry.

He was killed in action while leading his platoon in the famous switch-line battle near Drocourt-Quéant, September 2, 1918.

Douglas was one of two brothers to serve in the Great War. His eldest brother, Col. A. T. Thomson, D.S.O. and M.C., also gave his life in the War. Their mother, broken in health by the loss of her two boys, has since passed away—one of the many indirect casualties of the war.