

## **Battle of the Aisne 1914: Cameron Highlanders' Cave Disaster 25 September 1914**

The following, who were in the cave, lost their lives:

Captain D. N. C. C. Miers, commanding the Battalion.

Captain Allan G. Cameron (Lochiel), commanding " B " Company

Lieutenant Napier C. G. Cameron, commanding " A " Company.

Lieutenant K. F. Meiklejohn, Adjutant.

Lieutenant J. Crocket, M.B., Ch.B., R.A.M.C., Medical Officer.

Sergeant-Major G. S. Burt, R.S.M.

3643 C.S.M. A. Abbott.

7642 Sergeant A. Hutchison, Orderly Room Clerk.

7907 Lance-Corporal T. Graham.

8598 Lance-Corporal F. J. Abbott.

8618 Bandsman H. Claugher.

8433 Bandsman W. Moxey.

7166 Bandsman R Sweeney.

8439 Bandsman J. Brown.

9002 Private C. Woods.

7947 Private J. Munro.

7059 Bandsman W. Rowe.

6913 Drummer D. Macdonald.

8797 Drummer J. Pears.

7498 Drummer R Sinclair.

5332 Private J. Bain.

7263 Private R Brown.

8148 Private T. M'Creddie,

7111 Private J. M'Kie.

7041 Private W. Mitchell,

7553 Private J. Richardson.

5763 Private J. Ryder.

6987 Private H. Sims, R.A.M.C.

7138 Private W. Murdoch, R.A.M.C.

Of all those in the cave at the time of the disaster only four survived viz., 7501 Bandsman H. Rosser, who had a wonderful escape, and who was dug out about 10 AM; 3828 Corporal T. Mitchell who was got out at night alive but very badly crushed; 4260 Bandsman f. Ursell, injured; and 8906 Bandsman A. Blakemac, injured.

*The above is taken from the Historical records of the Cameron Highlanders, Vol III page 59.*