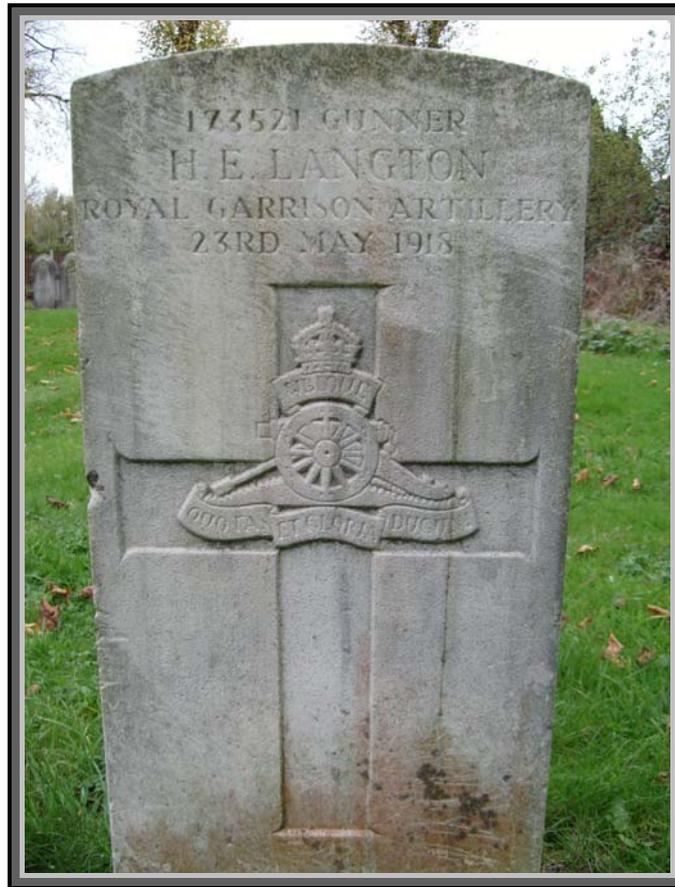


Gnr. Hiram E Langton



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EASTWOOD & KIMBERLEY ADVERTISER 31ST MAY 1918 FUNERAL OF A CODNOR GUNNER

The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon last of Gunner Hiram Langton from illness was regretted by the whole of the village. Enlisting a year ago. Gunner Langton had completed his training and his battery was awaiting orders to proceed overseas, when he was admitted to hospital, suffering from pneumonia, the result of a chill contracted whilst home on leave three weeks previous.

His condition had improved somewhat; consequently the news of his death from heart failure came as a shock to his friends and relations. His body was conveyed from Barrow to Codnor on Saturday, but unfortunately, owing to the shortness of the notice, the military authorities were unable to make the necessary arrangements to give Gunner Langton the burial with military honours to which he was entitled.

Practically the whole of the village turned out to pay their last respects at the funeral and the body was carried to its last resting place by members of, the Codnor Cricket Club, of which Gunner Langton had from many years been an enthusiastic member, playing with them when last over on leave in his old capacity as cricket keeper.

His fellow workmen were present, and the military was represented by lieut. C.H. Bailey, Bdr, A. R. Warren, R.G.A., and Pte Hand, A.S.C.

The Rev. S. Elder, M.A., conducted the funeral service, both in Church and at the graveside. The Hymn, "Peace Perfect Peace", was sung. There were many floral tributes from relatives and friends.

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