



JAMES GREGSON ROPER, Captain, R.N. Elder son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gregson Roper, of Seascale, Cumberland. He entered New House in May, 1916, leaving in April, 1919, gaining first place in entry to the Royal Navy. After serving in H.M.S. "Revenge" he was in the submarine service until 1936, when he was appointed to the Admiralty. In 1932 he was made an Officer of the Order of the Redeemer, for services rendered in the earthquake in Chalcidice. In 1938 he became commander of the new cruiser "Belfast," in which he served until she struck a mine. He then commanded H.M.S. "Newcastle", transferring to a staff appointment in the Fleet Train, from which he was killed in a flying accident at Sydney in July, 1945. He was made an O.B.E. (Military), and a Commander of the Order of Orange Nassau.