

CLIFDEN JAMES CROCKETT was the fifth son of J. H. C. Crockett of Dallington, Northampton. He was born on April 27, 1894. He entered Oundle (Sidney House) in May 1909, and left in July 1911.

After leaving school he went to Germany for a time, and on his return joined the firm of Crockett and Jones. Mobilized with his battalion, the 4th Northamptonshire Regiment (T.F.), he went with them to the Dardanelles, reaching Suvla Bay in August 1915.

Invalided home after nine days, he soon rejoined the reserve battalion of his regiment at Halton Park, and was afterwards attached to the 1/6th Royal Warwickshire Regiment and went to France in July 1916. He was killed in action on August 18, 1916.

His Colonel wrote: "He . . . is the most difficult to replace of all the officers we have lost. He was employed as Intelligence Officer, and was in charge of the Battalion snipers."

"He went out time after time to obtain information, and it always possessed the priceless quality of being reliable."

His C.S.M. in Gallipoli wrote: "He showed us all enough to enable us to look upon him as a good leader, and the boys would follow him anywhere."



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