

REGINALD FREDERICK DESMOND PLUNKETT was the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Plunkett of Cairo, where he was born (at Abbasiyeh) on April 9, 1898.

He entered School House in September 1912 and left in July 1916. At school he assisted his house in several branches of Athletics. Passing into the Indian Army, he went out to India in December 1916, and after training for six months at Wellington was gazetted to the 2/1st Gurkha Rifles, being attached for the time to the 1/7th battalion, who were at Quetta. Eventually joining his regiment at Ferozepore, he was at once detailed to proceed to Mesopotamia as general reinforcements, and reached Basra in February.

He joined the 1/5th Gurkha Rifles just in time to take part in the expedition up the Euphrates as far as Abu Hemal, and be present at the engagement of Khan Baghdadi.

He was accidentally drowned while bathing in the Euphrates on September 6, 1918.



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