

## Walter Edward CORBLE (1878-1902)

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**Walter Edward Corble's connection to South Lopham is by birth and residency.**

**Walter's brothers, Albert Arthur and Robert Nathan, fought in the Great War, sadly Robert died.**

**Walter Edward CORBLE**, son of Joseph CORBLE (c. 1837-c. 1893) and Sarah TAYLOR (c. 1839-c. 1919), was born on 21 December 1878 in South Lopham, Norfolk.<sup>1</sup> He was baptised on 27 February 1879 in South Lopham - parents Joseph and Sarah. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. J F BATEMAN, Rector.<sup>2</sup>

At the time of the 1881 Census, Walter was living at The Village in South Lopham - 2, living with parents Joseph (44, agricultural labourer) and Sarah (42), and siblings John (20, agricultural labourer), Joseph (17, agricultural labourer), James (14, agricultural labourer), George (11, scholar), Frances Elizabeth (8, scholar), Robert Nathan (6, scholar) and Alberta Eliza (4).<sup>3</sup>

On 5 Apr 1891, (the 1891 Census), he was living at Wood Lane in South Lopham - 12, agricultural labourer, living with parents Joseph (53, agricultural labourer) and Sarah (51, charwoman), and brothers Thomas G (21, agricultural labourer), Robert N (16, agricultural labourer) and Albert A (9, scholar).<sup>4</sup>

Walter, a labourer, enlisted on 16 February 1898 in the 2nd Battalion of the Norfolk Regiment, Private 4894, and fought in the Anglo-Boer War. There was also a note saying he had served in the 7th Mounted Infantry. He was entitled to the King's South Africa Medal, 1901 and 1902, with clasps for Belmont, Modder River, Defence of Kimberley and Relief of Mafeking.

Walter died on 6 March 1902 in Senekal, South Africa - probably died in

the invasion of the Cape Colony at Senekal which concluded on 11 March 1901.

He is commorated - WALTER EDWARD CORBLE PTE 2nd NORFOLKS FELL IN ACTION SENEKAL, SOUTH AFRICA 6 MAR 1902 AGED 25 (place uncertain but possibly in Norwich Cathedral).

## The Lopham Project (Family Historian Report)

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