



For the Glory of The Maple Leaf

SERGT. R. E. DORSEY, M. M.

Sergt. Dorsey was three times wounded and twice buried during his service with the 52nd battalion in France.

He went from Fort William with the original 52nd battalion in 1915. In civilian life he was engaged in the draying business with his brother, G. E. Dorsey, but gave up the business when the call came for men for the Canadian expeditionary force.

Sergt. Dorsey was close beside Major Hal Fryer, M. C., when he was killed, but escaped unhurt.

He won the military medal in August of 1917 in an action which lasted two days. Even the meager details of the official report indicate that Sergt. Dorsey's action was a very gallant one indeed.

It was during an attack on enemy trenches, in which Sergt. Dorsey led his men with great dash and courage, that his company commander and one other officer were killed. Sergt. Dorsey took command of one-half of the company and assisted in carrying out the operation exactly as planned, the entire objective being taken together with prisoners and four machine guns, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. Sergt. Dorsey then assisted in superintending the destruction of hostile dugouts and subsequently the retirement to the new position taken by his company, where he was untiring in the work of consolidation.

