



## Coleman of Corsham A Fighting Family

About six or seven per cent of the population of Corsham have now joined the colours and the numbers are still increasing.

One of the latest recruits – Edward Coleman, 3rd Wiltshire Battalion – comes of a good fighting stock. His father, Mr. Charles Coleman, of Station Road, is an old soldier and has three other sons already at the front. His two brothers were soldiers; one of them, Stephen Cleverley Coleman, who died in the Soudan, was given the bronze medal by the Khedive in 1882. His father and uncle both fought in the Crimea, the latter giving his life for the country. Both his grandfathers fought in the Battle of Waterloo; one of them received a bullet wound in the thigh, and the bullet remained there until his death at the age of 95. Mrs Coleman had two nephews who fought in the Boer War; one was wounded and succumbed later on from the effects of his injuries; the other has lately rejoined the colours. Although Mr. and Mrs. Coleman are now alone, they cheerfully resigned their last remaining son at the call of duty.

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