



CAPTAIN REGINALD ARTHUR SIN-
CLAIR ALLEN, 5th CANADIAN IN-
FANTRY BATTN., 2nd BRIGADE,
who was born at Blackheath on the 27th May,

1879, was the only son of the late Arthur James
Allen, Lieutenant R.N., and Marion Barlow



Allen, Waterford. He
was the only grand-
son of Philip Allen,
Lisnagill, Cork, and
the Hon. Frances
Allen, sister of the
fourth Lord Somers,
and also a grandson
of the late Colonel
Robert Bligh Sin-
clair, formerly Cap-
tain 42nd (the Black
Watch), Adjutant-

General Nova Scotia. He was educated at
Cheltenham, Stubbington, and abroad, and was
gazetted to the Royal Warwickshire Regiment
in 1900, with which he served in the South

African War, receiving the Queen's medal with three clasps. He was also in Bermuda with Boer prisoners.

Some ten years ago he went to Canada and joined the Canadian Militia in 1911, holding a commission in the 31st British Columbia Horse, which regiment volunteered to a man for active service when war was declared.

On the 22nd September, 1914, he was transferred to the 5th Canadian Infantry Battalion, in which he was senior Captain. He died at Boulogne on the 30th April, 1915, from wounds received a few days previously at Ypres during the great Canadian engagement, and is buried at Boulogne, where his father was born.

A Major of his regiment, writing to his widow, said: "Ever since I have known your husband, and been so closely allied to him in my work, he has always played the game . . . and a more thorough sportsman and man in every sense of the word it would be hard to find."

Captain Allen married Gertrude Elizabeth, only daughter of Charles Prest, Wakefield, Yorkshire, and left three children: Robert Harry Dawson, born January, 1909; Kathleen Elizabeth Marion, born September, 1911; and Eileen Gertrude Sinclair, born March, 1913.

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