

# POSTCARD



Private George Thomas  
Cooper  
1873-1917



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**A Hero Lived Here**

125 Carnegie Street

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## TWO MORE KILLED

**Ptes. George Thomas Cooper, and Harry Hardwick Lost Their Lives in Railway Wreck—Others Injured.**

That Ptes. George Thomas Cooper and Harry Hardwick had been killed, and Pte. Thos. Wolstenholme wounded in a railway wreck on September 7th was the official word which reached Ingersoll on Monday. The name of Pte. James Jackson, was also mentioned as having been wounded at the same time, but official word has not yet been received by the family. The four men all belonged to Ingersoll and enlisted with "B" Company of the 168th Battalion. No particulars of the accident have been available. It was known, however, that the men were serving in France with a construction battalion. Pte. Hardwick leaves a wife and one child and Pte. Cooper a wife and five children.

War News Bureau

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Private George Thomas Cooper was born in Somerset, England and emigrated to Canada in 1896 with his wife Amy, and three children. George was employed as a machine operator at the Ingersoll Nut Co. and division of the John Morrow Screw Works, just across the street from his home on Carnegie Street. Interestingly, George stated his date of birth on the 1911 Census as 1869 - but on his attestation papers, he declared his birth date to be 1873. Perhaps he felt concerned that he may be declared to be too old at age 46 to serve the war effort. George was a member of Army Unit: Canadian Labour Corps and is interred at Vlamertinge Military Cemetery, Belgium.

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