

## E NOEL CROWDER

Edward Noel Crowder was born in 1883 at Barnack, Northamptonshire. Barnack is a village in the district of Stamford and has been in Northamptonshire, Lincolnshire, Huntingdonshire, and Rutland over the years.

In 1891 Edward Noel was living at Scremby Hall where his father Fredrick was 'living on his own means'.



Scremby Hall 1800

By 1901 he was a student, living at Middleton Park, Middleton Stoney, Oxford.

The 1911 Census shows the Crowder family living in Aswardby Hall. Edward is recorded as a farmer, his father Frederick as living on his own means. Also living at the Hall were his mother, and two of Edward's cousins. They employed a butler, a footman, a lady's maid, a cook, 2 housemaids and a kitchen maid. Aswardby Hall was originally built around the 1840s but after being destroyed by fire was not properly rebuilt until 1910.

Edward Noel married Emily Joyce Hayes in 1911 in Headington, Oxfordshire. In 1914 they were living at Hall Farm, Aswardby but by 1918 had moved to The Grange at Partney.

He served as a Second Lieutenant in the Reserve of Cavalry in the First World War. Men who enlisted into the cavalry, either as volunteers or conscripts, served with the cavalry reserve to carry out their basic training. Many were not, however, posted to a cavalry regiment overseas but were converted into infantry or other corps before being sent there. It is rare to see a cavalry reserve unit being mentioned in a man's medal records, even if the man had trained with them.

Mr Crowder was elected as a churchwarden at St Nicholas Church and supported the Reverend Walker's application on 16<sup>th</sup> June 1919 to install the memorial tablet to John West Walker that now hangs on the rear wall.

In 1927 his wife, Emily Joyce Crowder, petitioned for divorce. Noel Crowder appears to have remarried twice – in 1931 to Rosalys Wigfull and in 1943 to Joan Stephenson.

He lived at The Grange in Partney where he was Master of the Hounds. He was helped by Percy Gatenby who also served during the First World War. The picture shows the hounds running up the drive to The Grange.



He died on November 14<sup>th</sup> 1950 at Louth Hospital. His funeral was held at Scremby.