

We were all grieved beyond words to hear the sad news of the assassination in India, on Oct.1 of Capt. Lionel Baker-Jones*, M.C. of the Indian Medical Service. The dastardly deed, which was perpetrated while he was motoring peacefully along a road, is attributed to two native outlaws*. In any case, we feel sure that it cannot have been an act of personal revenge, as the deceased's gentle and kindly disposition would have endeared him to all. What made the tragic news all the sadder, was our knowledge that he was to be married in a few days to Miss Purves, a lady doctor, who was just nearing the end of her journey out to join him. A memorial service was held here (St. George's Church) on Oct 1. The church was very crowded and amongst the congregation were officers and men of the V1th Welsh, with whom he had seen distinguished service in Flanders, and one of their buglers afterwards sounded the last post. All who knew the deceased, cannot but bitterly regret what seems, to our human point of view, his untimely death at the age of 28; but in God's sight "in short measure life may perfect be". The utmost sympathy is felt with Miss Purves, and the family at Brynfield.

R.I.P

Lionel Baker Jones was the son of Dr.Samuel and Edith Baker -Jones (and brother of Mary and Margery. Samuel Baker-Jones was a doctor in Reynoldston, who began his work from "Ty Bryn" in Little Reynoldston during the 1890s, later moving the practice to "Brynfield". Samuel Baker - Jones died in 1917.

**British and Indian forces were fighting a campaign against tribal uprisings in Waziristan, on the North West Frontier Province of India and Afghanistan.*

Captain Lionel Baker - Jones.....

Baker - Jones had a very distinguished war record as this announcement in the "Gower Church Magazine" indicates:

Military Distinctions:

Lieut.L.Baker-Jones, R.F.C. has arrived home from the French front, and with him the news, which he had modestly withheld, that he was awarded the Military Cross a few weeks ago. The honour was conferred upon him for his good services in the air, and more especially for a fine achievement in bringing down a Hun flying machine. We congratulate the gallant officer and rejoice in his success. He has been chosen as an instructor and will be in England for a few months.

It is a happy coincidence that another of our soldiers Sergt.T.Lee, who has won distinction and has been awarded the Military Medal, was Sergeant to Lieut. Jones' platoon in the V1th Welsh.

We also extend to them our hearty felicitations.