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## CAPTAIN JOHN SPOTTISWOODE

6th (attd. 2nd) Battn. King's Royal Rifle Corps,

was born in London on the 18th April. 1874, the son of George Andrew Spottiswoode and his wife, Grace Frances, eldest daughter of the Rev. Sir St. Vincent Love Hammick. He was a nephew of William Spottiswoode, (President of the Royal Society, 1876-83; President of the London Mathematical Society, 1870-72; and of the British Association, 1878).

Captain Spottiswoode was educated at Winchester College and the R.M.C., Sandhurst. He obtained the highest marks ever made in Physics, viz., 1,764 (884 per cent. of the maximum), in the entrance examination for the R.M.C. in 1892.

He joined the 2nd Battalion K.R.R.C. as 2nd Lieutenant in October, 1894, being promoted Lieutenant in January, 1898. In May, 1899, he became Captain in the 7th Battalion and was with the Mounted Infantry in the South African War, where he was twice wounded.

He was granted the honorary rank of Captain in the Army in October, 1900, but retired in 1901. On the Great War breaking out he joined the 6th Battalion in August, 1914, and the 2nd Battalion in September, 1914, with which he was serving when he was killed at the head of his company on the 31st October, 1914, at Gheluvelt, in the Battle of Ypres.

Captain Spottiswoode, who was distinguished in radiotelegraphy, married Sybil Gwendolen, daughter of Dr. Christian David Ginsburg, LL.D., J.P., and left two sons: Raymond John, born 1913; and Nigel Lawrence, born 1915, after his father's death.