

## FREDERICK THOROLD

Frederick Thorold was born in 1892 in Partney. He was baptised on 26<sup>th</sup> June 1892, the son of John Thomas and Lucy Thorold. His father was a waggoner.

The family were living in Partney at the 1901 Census – the parents, 7 children and a neice.

The 1911 Census shows Frederick working as a Corn Miller's Carter, living with and working for the Borrill family at Claythorpe. The 1909 edition of Kellys Directory shows Richard Borrill as a Miller (Water) and Baker.



Frederick served as a Driver in the Royal Field Artillery during the First World War. His Regimental Number was 221749. The Field Artillery Training manual of 1914 states that each driver was responsible for two horses. Also the number of gunners per battery was almost equal to the number of drivers.

Each gun team had three drivers (one per pair) and five gunners, one of whom would be the bombardier. More senior ranks rode individual horses. Remaining drivers and a few gunners would be with the ammunition wagon.

Frederick's brothers George and John also served in the First World War. His father John Thomas Thorold, who was Parish Clerk from 1899, had died on 1<sup>st</sup> November 1915 aged 61 after a very short illness. His mother Lucy Ann died on 15<sup>th</sup> March 1921 aged 64.

He was awarded the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.