Lance Serjeant EDGAR WATSON

2651598, Coldstream Guards who died age 39 on 18 June 1944 Son of George and Emily Watson, of Ruston Parva; husband of Marie A. Watson, of Forthampton. Remembered with honour in RUSTON PARVA (ST. NICHOLAS) CHURCHYARD

L/Sgt. Watson seems to have been an adopted son of Forthampton by marriage; he is buried in his home village in Yorkshire. Perhaps for this reason, the *Register* gave but a short report of his death, stating that he was "killed by enemy action". One wonders if this was the result of a bombing raid. Because of his age and rank, one might surmise that he had been a professional soldier, who had died in the course of his duty. The *Register* did inform us, however, that he had worked for Col. Longueville on his farm at Forthampton.

