

Name of memorial: Slacke Memorial

Inventory No. 205

Place: St. John's Church, Newcastle.

Address and map reference: The Rock, Central Promenade, Newcastle, Co. Down. Map reference: J 375 303

Position: North side of nave.

Description and dimensions: White marble plaque on pink marble. Height 44cms, width 68cms.

Recorded by: Michael Pegum, 17th June, 2005.

Text: Crest of a crouching lion and the motto
LENTE SED CERTE
(Slow but sure)

To the Glory of God and in loving memory of
CAPTAIN CHARLES OWEN SLACKE,
14TH BATT. ROYAL IRISH RIFLES, ULSTER DIVISION,
ELDEST SON OF THE LATE SIR OWEN RANDAL SLACKE C.B.
WHO WAS KILLED AFTER LEADING HIS COMPANY INTO ACTION
AT THIEPVAL, FRANCE, 1ST. JULY 1916, AGED 44.
I have fought a good fight. 2 TIM.IV-7
THIS TABLET IS PLACED HERE BY HIS WIDOW, KATE SLACKE

Book:

College of St. Columba Roll of Honour 1914 – 1918

Old Columban Society. Dublin, 1920. (reprint available from <http://www.naval-military-press.com/>).

“Nominal roll of Fellows, Masters and past pupils of the College with unit in which served; casualties and decorations are noted.” 385 names are listed, including 72 who died, with photos of 58 (including Capt. Slacke).