



In Memory of
Private
JOHN JOSEPH DOWLING
who died on June 13, 1916

Son of Elizabeth Dowling, 310 Good Street, Winnipeg.

Born: July 23, 1891

Age: 24

Service Number: 75345

Force: Army

Unit: Canadian Infantry (British Columbia Regiment)

Division: 29th Bn.

From Attestation Paper: 5'-7" blue eyes and light brown hair, Church of England,
Butcher, enlisted November 11, 1914, Vancouver.

Honoured on this page in the Ottawa Book of Remembrance

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LIJSSENTHOEK MILITARY CEMETERY

Belgium

Grave Reference: VII. C. 29A.



During the First World War, the village of Lijssenthoek was situated on the main communication line between the Allied military bases in the rear and the Ypres battlefields. Close to the Front, but out of the extreme range of most German field artillery, it became a natural place to establish casualty clearing stations. The cemetery was first used by the French 15th Hopital D'Evacuation and in June 1915, it began to be used by casualty clearing stations of the Commonwealth forces. From April to August 1918, the casualty clearing stations fell back before the German advance and field ambulances (including a French ambulance) took their places. The cemetery contains 9,901 Commonwealth burials of the First World War, a few of which were brought in from the battlefields after the Armistice, and 883 war graves of other nationalities, mostly French and German. It is the second largest Commonwealth cemetery in Belgium. There are 5 Special Memorial headstones to men known to be buried in this cemetery, these are located together alongside Plot 32 near the Stone of Remembrance. The cemetery was designed by Sir Reginald Blomfield.