

Newspaper Reports – Stephen George Marchant

From the Bexhill Observer, Saturday, 3rd October, 1914, page 6

WAR ITEMS

Mr Stephen G. Marchant, son of ex-PC Marchant, and an employee in Messers. Miller and Franklin's furniture department, has had a disappointment. After enlisting in the East Kent Buffs, and serving for three weeks, he was certified medically unfit.

From the Bexhill Observer, Saturday, 15th January, 1916, page 3

Bexhill Men who are Serving their Country

PRIVATE S. J. MARCHANT

French Red Cross
Son of Mr and Mrs Marchant of 19, Cambridge-road.

From the Bexhill Observer, Saturday, 4th August, 1917, page 8

A FRENCH DECORATION

Mr Stephen George Marchant, who has been working with the French Red Cross for the past 18 months, has been presented with the French medal of honour by the chief of the French medical service in recognition of his services. He is the son of Mr and Mrs S. Marchant, Havelock-road.

The diploma accompanying the medal reads as follows: –

“French Republic Minister of War, Award for Brave Actions. Medal of Honour. In the name of the President of the Republic the Minister of War has decreed a Medal of Honour in bronze to Mr Stephen George Marchant, operating assistant at the Hospital of the Three Flags, founded by Johnston Reckitt at His Oranges, for giving proof of utmost devotion to duty. Mr Stephen George Marchant is authorised to wear this medal suspended from the chest by a tricolour ribbon equally divided. This diploma has been delivered to him so as to perpetrate in his family and to his fellow citizens as a souvenir of his honourable and courageous conduct. P. Le Guerre. Le Sous Secretaire d’Etat, Gustin Godert.”

Mr Marchant has been in France one year and eight months. He was formerly at Messers Miller and Franklin's furniture establishment, and was a member of the local Red Cross, who will be pleased to learn of the honour which he has received from the Allied State.

From the Hastings and St Leonards Observer, East Sussex, dated 18th August 1917

DALLINGTON - FRENCH HONOUR. Mr. Stephen George Marchant, of Bexhill. who has been working with the French Red Cross for past months, has been presented with the French Medal of Honour by the Chief of the French Military Service in recognition of his services.

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FRENCH MEDAL OF HONOUR

Stephen George Marchant, French Red Cross (now cadet, Artists' Rifles).
