

IN MEMORY OF MY WONDERFUL GRANDFATHER...

Albert William Pleasance - WW1 France/Belgium



APRIL 25TH 2012

Service Records...



Albert William Pleasance

**Corporal
No. 658**

**37th
Battalion A.I.F.**

**B Company
10th Infantry Brigade**

Enlisted 4/2/1916

Discharged 12/6/1919

**Over 3 years service :
Messines, Passchendale, Ypres, Somme, Heilly,
Hamel, Proyant, Bray.**



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MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.**No. 688Name PLEASANCE ALBERT WILLIAM

✓ 21333

Unit 37 Bn.Joined on 22.2.16.**Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.**

1. What is your Name? ... Albert William Pleasance
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ...
near the Town of S' town
in the County of Suffolk England
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... British Subject
4. What is your Age? ... 23
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ... Farmer
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... no
7. Are you married? ... no
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ...
Eldred Pleasance (Father)
Wensum Park
Hippisland Vic
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... no
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? ... no
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... no
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... no
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... no
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)—
Do you understand that no separation allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach eight shillings per day? ... yes
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... yes

I, Albert William Pleasance do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife† and children.

Date 4-2-16
hmAlbert William Pleasance
Signature of person enlisted.

D.277/11.12.—C.12719. * This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
† Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

~~I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.~~
(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 18 4 - 2 - 16

W M MacLaurie Capt

Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, Albert William Pleasance swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 19th Feb 1916 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So HELP ME, GOD.

Albert William Pleasance
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Wanagal in
the State of Victoria
this Tenth day _____ of
February 1916, before me—

W M MacLaurie Capt

Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

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Description of Albert William Pearson on enlistment.

Age <u>23</u> years <u>5</u> months.	DISTINCTIVE MARKS. <i>Large scald marks above ankle right leg. Vac. 5 Reg arm mole. R side neck " L " " " Birth mark R side neck</i>
Height <u>5</u> feet <u>7</u> inches.	
Weight <u>105</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement <u>34 1/2</u> inches.	
Complexion <u>Fair</u>	
Eyes <u>Blue</u>	
Hair <u>Light Brown</u>	
Religious Denomination <u>C. of E.</u>	

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:-

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 27.1.16

Place Wanagul

Medically fit Seymour 2.16
Robt. W. Webster Capt. Army

E. J. L. J.

Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to _____

Date 18 APR 1916

Place SEYMOUR

H. W. D. D.
Deut. Col.
Commanding 37th. Battalion A.I.F.

Commanding _____

Aug 13.10.3
Aug 20.9.11
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Marked 13.2.16 Ledger Card
P.B. No 109921

Statement of Service of No. 658.

Name Plessance Albert William

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
13 th Coy 37 Batt.		22.2.16.		
	To Hospital Sick	France 2.12.16.		P ₂ 3/78. 27.12.16.
	PROCEEDED OVERSEAS TRAINING ex Southampton		22/11/16	P ₂ 15/38. 29/11/16
	Rejoined Bn from Hosp.	France	4.1.17	DOH/436E 24.1.17
	To Hosp. Sick	France	3/2/17	DO 8/852.8 31.3.17
	Rejoined battn from hosp	France	28.2.17.	D/O 12/1564/28.2.17.
	Detached for duty with 8th Corp. Railway Construction Works W. Cappel.	France	2.3.17	D/O 12/1616/22.3.17
	Rejoined Batt from detachment with 8th Construction Sth Army Corps. W. Cappel.	France	33/3/17	D/O 14/1821 5/4/17
	Pte Offence Conduct to the prejudice of good order & military discipline, in that he at Fauquemliergues on the 24th Aug. 1917 entered certain land & took therefrom unthreshed wheat without authority. Award Forfeits 1 days pay by J. Wilson Offr Forfeiture 1 days pay (P.B. No 109921 entry 10/14.			Do 40/5282 20.9.17. 31.8.17
	Pte Prom: T/Cpl vice Cpl Childs dec. Wounded 12.10.17	France	12.10.17	Do 49/6850 16.11.17
	T/Cpl reverted to Substantive rank of Pte by order of G.O. 37th Bn dated 20.12.17 (Super Estab.)		20.12.17	Do 3/229 12.1.18.
	Rejoined Bn from France to 9th Inf. Bn. Tarrant.	Aug	2.9.18.	LB 7370. 16.9.18 Do 64/1996E
	Rejoined Bn from 9th Inf. Bn. Tarrant. (via Brown)		2.9.18	Lied 87. Do 64/1918. 23.9.18
	Cpl. Proceeded to W/L to 9th Inf. Bn. (to be Army Super to Estab.	France	29.8.18.	D/O 39/4930. 19.9.18.
	Cpl. Trans. to R/L of 38th Bn whilst at 9th Inf. Bn.	France	23.9.18	D/O 62/2001.8 28.9.18. 14.10.18.

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.
 Lt. Col. Commandant at School of Inf. Despatch Aug 5.10.18. D/O 105/501.8
 2108085

STATEMENT OF SERVICE OF No.

658

NAME

Pleasance

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Unit.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, etc.	Place.	Date.	Remarks.
	Pvt. M. in from Decon: port Sch. of instruct	Eng.	12-10-18	L.O. 8781 8/0108/588 25-1-18-18
	Pvt. P. H. Promoted Capt France vice 1643 Capt. Lebrun H.W. affd. 2/1/18		1-7-18	Do 44/7991 24-10-18 37 th Div Do/
				180125/297E 20-11-18 180134/668 2/12/18 Do 54/566 9/9
	Returned to Australia per Karagola		30-4-19	Lb 701 Lx 4989 A 142445

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Form B103 Part I.

Service and Casualty
Form.

PART I.

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Nothing to be written in this Margin.

(1) PRESENT UNIT	37th Batt. 58	(2) Regtl. No.	658.
(3) Present Rank	Pts. Cpl.	(4) SURNAME	PLEASANCE
(5) Decorations		(6) Christian Names.	Albert William.
<div>M.D. 3.</div> <div>Particulars.</div>			
(7) Date of Enlistment	4/2/16.	(8) Place of Enlistment	Warragul Warragul, Vic.
(9) Age on Enlistment	23 Years 5 Months	(10) Any subsequent claim as to age after veri- fication of Birth Certificate	Years Months Auth. C.R. / /
(11) Birthplace	Suffolk, Eng.	(12) Religion	C. of E.
(14) Trade or Calling	Farmer.	(13) If Married	Yes.
(16) Date of Embarkation from Australia	3 ⁶ /16.	(15) If an Apprentice	No.
(18)		(17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad	Australia. ✓
(19)		(21) Special Notification Card No.	1753
(20)			
(22)			

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

(2)

Regiment or Corps B. Coy 87th Str Regimental Number 668
 Rank Private Surname PLEASANCE Christian Name Robert William
 Religion C of E Age on Enlistment 23 years 0 months.
 Enlisted (a) 4.2.16 Terms of Service (a) max 4 yrs Service reckons from (a) 4.2.16
 Date of promotion to present rank opted Date of appointment to lance rank opted
 Extended { - } Re-engaged { - } Qualification (b) -
 or Corps Trade and Rate -

Signature of Officer i/c Records.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
<u>1</u>		<u>a 34</u>	<u>Embarked ... Melbourne</u>	<u>3.6.16</u>	
<u>2</u>		<u>patric</u>	<u>Disembarked... Plymouth</u>	<u>25.7.16</u>	
<u>3</u>	<u>22.11.16</u>	<u>O.C. 37th Bn.</u>	<u>Proceeded Overseas</u>	<u>Southampton</u>	<u>22.11.16</u>
	<u>1st Lt</u>	<u>Battal</u>	<u>FRANCE</u>		<u>D.O. 21/12/16</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>2.12.16</u>	<u>1 Com. C.C. Str.</u>	<u>Admitted Lepth R. Fort.</u>	<u>Field.</u>	<u>2.12.16</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>9.12.16</u>	<u>10th A. Bde. Genl.</u>	<u>Admitted (Lepth R. Fort.)</u>	<u>Field.</u>	<u>2.12.16</u>
		<u>transferred C.C. Str.</u>		<u>2.12.16</u>	
<u>6</u>	<u>15.12.16</u>	<u>C.O. 37th Bn.</u>	<u>To Hospital (sick)</u>		<u>2.12.16</u>
<u>7</u>	<u>15.12.16</u>	<u>1 Com. D. Bow.</u>	<u>Admitted (sick)</u>		<u>2.12.16</u>
<u>8</u>	<u>15.12.16</u>	<u>1 Com. D. Bow.</u>	<u>To Base Details</u>		<u>15.12.16</u>
<u>9</u>	<u>9.12.16</u>	<u>1 Com. C.C. Str.</u>	<u>To 19 A. T.</u>		<u>3.12.16</u>
<u>10</u>	<u>15.12.16</u>	<u>8th Stat Hosp</u>	<u>Admitted (5712/16) 1st C.D.</u>		<u>15.12.16</u>

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) Signaller, Shoeing-smith, &c.

<i>Reg. No.</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>Name</i>
374	Private	PERRY, A. G.
2229	Private	PERRY, C. A.
973	Corporal	PERRY, E. S.
974	Private	PERRYMAN, J. E.
2886	Corporal	PERYMAN, F. P.
1946	Private	PETTERSSAN, A. S.
518	L/Corporal	PETTIT, A.
2682	Private	PETTIT, P. A.
3448	Sergeant	PHELAN, E. T.
	Lieutenant	PHILIP, W. S.
1893	Private	PHILLIPS, A.
2887	Corporal	PHILLIPS, A. S.
3121	Private	PHILLIPS, E.
1651	Private	PHILLIPS, M. H. B.
663	Private	PHILLIPS, N. J.
2888	Private	PHILLIPS, W.
376	Private	PICKERING, H. C.
637	Private	PICKETT, B. R.
975	Private	PICKUP, F.
1894	L/Corporal	PIGGOTT, A.
765	Private	PIKE, W. H.
1652	Private	PILE, Wm.
3122	Private	PILLAR, F. F.
2129	Private	PINI, J. N.
2889	Private	PITT, C. D.
658	Corporal	PLEASANCE, A. W.
660	Private	POLLARD, A. B.
6390	Private	POLLARD, G.
380	Private	POLLARD, R. G.
3123	Private	POLMEAR, H. M.
1895	Private	POOLEY, R. C.
2890	Private	PORTER, W. G.
2383	Private	POTTER, H. L.
659	Private	POTTER, S. E.
1654	Private	POTTENGER, H. E.
1653	Private	POTTENGER, J. G.
6562	Private	POTTS, J. J.
71	Private	POTTS, W. R.
48	Sergeant	POWELL, C.
2891	Private	POWELL, H. A.
2892	Private	POWELL, I. C. W. D.
	Lieutenant	POWELL, P. W.
2130	Private	POWELL, W. A.
379	Corporal	POWER, C.
662	Private	POWER, F. J.
6064	Private	POWER, M. J.
512	C.S.M.	POWER, R. E.
3213	Private	POYNTER, J. C.
3366	Private	POYNTON, G. F.

(3) PLEASANCE. A.W.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
7A 20.12.16	3rd Bn B.D.	Admitted from Hos.	Field	10/12/16	HK 590/25
11 14.1.17	do	Marched out to Unit	Staples	14.1.17	FX 282
12 1.1.17	C.O. 37 Bn	Returned Bn from Hospital	Field	14.1.17	C13/16. DO. 14/12/16
19.12.16	3rd Bn B.D.	Transferred to Staples H	Boulogne	19.12.16	24.1.17
8A	Camp Boulogne				
13 9.2.17	C.O. 37 Bn	To Hospital Sick	Field	9.2.17	C13/16. DO 8/852
14 14.2.17	9th A.F.C.	Admitted (Mumps)	Field	3/3/17	FX 811/32.
15 11.2.17	do	Transferred to 4th Gen. Hos.	do	11.2.17	FX 811/111
16 14.2.17	14th Gen. S.O. Merc.	Admitted (Mumps)	do.	14.2.17	FX 811/119.
17 24.2.17	do	Discharged to Base Details	do	24.2.17	FX 811/119.
18 2.3.17	C.O. 37 Bn	Returned Bn from Hosp.	do	28.2.17	C13/16. DO 12/1822
19 2.3.17	C.O. 37 Bn	Detached for duty with 8th Army	Field	2.3.17	C13/16
		looks Rly Construction. W. Cappel			DO 12/1822
23.3.17	do	Returned Bn from detachment	do	23.3.17	C13/17. DO 12/1822
8.9.17	C.O. 37th Bn	OFFENCE Conduct to the prejudice of good order and Military discipline, in that he at FAUQUEMQUES on the 24th Aug 1917 entered certain land and took therefrom unthreshed wheat without authority.			
20		AWARD 1 days forfeiture of pay by T. Wilson Major 31.8.17			
		FORFEITURE 1 days pay			
		G113/39 DO 40/5282			

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Army Form B. 103.

Sheet 2 (14)
Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regimental Number *658*

Rank *Cpl* Surname *Pleasance* Christian Name *Albert William*
 Religion *b. of c.* Age on Enlistment *23* years *—* months
 Enlisted (a) *4-2-16* Terms of Service (a) *4 Mo.* Service reckons from (a) *4-2-16*
 Date of promotion to present rank *—* Date of appointment to lance rank *—*
 Extended *—* Re-engaged *—* Qualification (b) *—*
 or Corps Trade and rate *—*
 Occupation *—* Signature of Officer *—*

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked ...			
		Disembarked			
<i>21</i> 3-11-17	<i>60 37 Bn</i>	<i>Pk promoted T/Cpl vice</i>	<i>Field</i>	<i>12-10-17</i>	<i>C13-49</i>
		<i>Cpl Chilas was wounded</i>			<i>St 49/6850</i>
<i>22</i> 15-12-17	<i>-do-</i>	<i>(T/Cpl) Proceeded to Eng (Leave)</i>	<i>-do-</i>	<i>10-12-17</i>	<i>C13-55</i>
<i>23</i> 29-12-17	<i>-do-</i>	<i>(Pk) Returned from Eng (Leave)</i>	<i>-do-</i>	<i>27-12-17</i>	<i>C13-57</i>
<i>24</i> 29-12-17	<i>-do-</i>	<i>(T/Cpl) Reverts to his Sub. Rank of Pk</i>	<i>-do-</i>	<i>20-12-17</i>	<i>C13-57/1003-229</i>
<i>25</i>		<i>By order of C.O. 37th Bn (Super to Estab)</i>			
<i>9-6-18</i>	<i>-do-</i>	<i>PK With Unit</i>		<i>9-6-18</i>	<i>55-3109-9</i>
<i>26</i> 6-7-18	<i>-do-</i>	<i>Promoted Cpl 1-7-18 vice Cpl</i>		<i>1-7-18</i>	<i>C13-85</i>
		<i>Lebnat Appointed L Sgt 1-7-18</i>			<i>D.C. 44/4991</i>
<i>27</i> 7-9-18	<i>60 37th Bn</i>	<i>Pk Proceeded to join 9th Inf Bn</i>		<i>29-8-18</i>	<i>C13-94</i>
		<i>Eng. (to be done Super to Estab)</i>			<i>2039-6930C(118)</i>

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) Signaller, Shoeing-Smith, &c.

(5) PLEASANCE A.W.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
27 3.9.18	9th Ldg Bn.	Lt. In/9 from France	Ypres	2.9.18	D064/180E 16.9.18 L
31.8.18.	From Moll.	Lt. Disembled at Folkestone	Chapman	31.8.18	L7329
28	L. S. O.	on duty from France & to report to Adm H Gros London			
13.9.18.	A.I.F. Depot in U.K.	Lt. Add: on Term badge of 9th Ldg Bn from 37th (Price, Brown)		2.9.18	D064/180E 23.9.18 List 87
29.9.18.	9th Ldg Bn	Lt. Trans to Rts 38th Bn whiled at 9th Ldg Bn	Ypres	23.9.18	D068/ E 14.10.18 L C.R.A.I.F. 32001/A of
25.9.18.	"	Lt. On Command at School of Inst Deoport.	"	5.10.18	D/6105/ E 22.10.18
14.10.18	9th Ldg Bn	Lt. In/9 from Deoport sch: of Instruction	"	12.10.18	L.A. 5781
31.10.18	"	Lt. On Command at School of Inst Tidworth	"	30.10.18	L.D. 9368 D/State L/0124/ E 1918
2.12.18.	R.I.F. Dep in U.K.	Lt. attend the 25th rifle course at the Aust. School of Musk. from 31.10.18 to 30.11.18 & qual 1st Class Best. Arch C.R.A.I.F. 11378/43 (G.)	Tidworth		Lx307
2.12.18.	9th Ldg Bn	Lt. In/9 from Musk. Sch: Tidworth		30.11.18	L9326

Sheet 3. (6)
(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Army Form B. 103-II.
Part II.

Regiment or Corps 38th Bn. Regimental Number 658

*Substantive Rank Cpl. Surname PLEASANCE Christian Names A. W.

*Acting Rank
(* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

(A) Report		(B) Authority of Part II. of Orders	(C) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive promotions to be shown, for method of entry of which see A.C.I. 1816 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, &c.	(F) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
Date.	From whom received					
29.1.19	9 th Coy Bn.	Cpl.	Proceeded overseas France			Lx 2387
		ex	Godford Via Southampton		29.1.19	
7.2.19	Adj. Gen.		Del from Gen. Cadre 9 th Coy Bn.		19.1.19	Lx 111
31.1.19	Quart		M/ ex Engr Proc to ref. unit	Abancourt	29.1.19	AX 20105
8.2.19	Co. 38th Bn		Rejoined unit.	Field	2.2.19	C14/116 Do 374/163
4.2.19			Proc to Base		17.2.19	C14/118
1.3.19	A. G. B. D.		Proc: to Engr	Havre.	28.2.19	D/054/566 1919 Lx 3475
1.3.19	O. J. B.		Engr?	Engr	1.3.19	Lx 3475
1.5.19	Emb. Hall		Returned to Australia per "Karagola"	Engr	1.5.19	D/081R

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES—3RD MILITARY DISTRICT.

VICTORY MEDAL

Received One

MEDAL for No. 658

Rank

bpl

Name

Pleasantall

Unit

37Bn

Schedule No.

141024

(Signature)

A. W. Pleasant

(Witness)

R. Pleasant

Place

RP

History Card completed

[Signature]

Date

10 JUN 1923

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES—3RD MILITARY DISTRICT.

BRITISH WAR MEDAL

Received One

MEDAL for No.

658

Rank

bpl

Name

Pleasance, A. W.

Unit

37 Bn

Schedule No.

41614

(Signature)

Albert W. Pleasance

(Witness)

M. W.

Place

Y B

Date

1 AUG 1921

History Card completed

Base Records Office,
Victoria Barracks,
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Melbourne

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Herewith documents indicated relative to the
service of the undermentioned ex-servicemen of the A.I.F.

Reg. No.	Name & Unit	Documents attached
<i>658</i>	<i>Plasance AW 18 B</i>	FOR EARLY RETURN :- A.F. B.173

TO BE RETAINED :-

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Attestation Paper

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No. 658 WAR STATISTICS SCHEDULE 31 P 62/10
Rank Cpl Name PLEASANCE, A. W.
Unit 38th Batt

LIST.

Casualty

*Notg. to Aust per H. T. "Karagola" embarked 30/11/19
L. P.B. L. 5.3.22/15000 F. 11/2 Jan 31/519 Rec'd H.R. 10/6/19*

*Returned to Australia per A. Karagola
Disembarked 3 M.D. 12.6.19 W.P.*

DATE

Form B 103 received

PURPORT.

21 MAY 1919

W.O.K. Advised returning to Australia. Form 7 and Card 1820

27.7.19

Discharged 3 M.D. *W.P.*

WAR HISTORY INDEX



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2/12/55-

65-8 Pleasant A, W,

38 Pm

No further documents



A J Bourman

A stylized signature of A J Bourman, written in cursive.

Roll call - Source Australian War Memorial Canberra Internet Web site.

						PLEASANCE
658	Pte	PLEASANCE	Albert William	38th Battalion	22/2/16	R.T.A. 30/4/19
	Lieut.	PLEASANCE	Charles Maxwell	46th Battalion	12/7/15	R.T.A. 18/5/19
1119	Pte.	PLEASANCE	Edwin Harold	23rd Battalion	3/3/15	K.I.A. 31/8/18
	Lieut.	PLEASANCE	Wilfred Crosbie (MC)	46th Battalion	12/7/15	R.T.A. 23/7/19
5933	Cpl.	PLEASANTS	Jack	17th Battalion	22/2/16	Disch. 13/2/19
	Capt.	PLEASANTS	Osmond William (MC)	15th L.H.		R.T.A. 1/7/19
6806	Dvr.	PLEASANTS	William Archie	A.M.T.S.	3/5/16	Disch. 10/8/19
	Lt.Cpl.	PLEASANTS	William Benjamin (VD)	Capt.		R.T.A. 29/7/15
5397	Pte.	PLEASS	Frederick Norman	Tun.Dtla.	17/8/16	R.T.A. 10/1/18
1762	L/Cpl.	PLEASS	Edgar Lawrence (WM)	2nd M.G.Bn.	19/7/15	R.T.A. 13/4/19
1024	Pte.	PLEAVIN	Reginald Donald	41st Battalion	24/12/15	
897	Pte.	PLEDGE	Harold	13th Battalion	18/9/14	R.T.A. 7/11/15
3217	Pte.	PLEDGE	Henry Lawrence (WM)	58th Battalion	27/10/16	R.T.A. 5/7/19
757	Pte.	PLEDGE	Henry Charles John	57th Battalion	3/7/17	R.T.A. 6/6/18
513	Pte.	PLEDGE	Ross Leonard	5th M.G.Bn.	1/6/16	R.T.A. 5/7/19
	Lieut.	PLEDGER	George Taylor (MC)	2nd L.H.		R.T.A. 20/6/19
333	Pte.	PLEDGER	Robert Portaway	11th L.H.	31/12/14	K.I.A. 25/9/18
1972	Pte.	PLEMING	John James	56th Battalion	8/2/16	R.T.A. 12/11/16
637	Sgt.	PLEMING	Simon	4th M.G.Bn.	11/9/14	R.T.A. 9/12/18
4272	Pte.	PLEMING	Thomas James	5th Battalion	27/7/15	R.T.A. 28/3/19
5180	Pte.	PLENDERLEIGH	Andrew	57th Battalion	1/2/16	R.T.A. 15/5/19
1036	Pte	PLENTY	Arthur Farnham	3rd L.H.	30/12/14	R.T.A. 21/11/16
334	Sgt.	PLENTY	Clarence Garland	3rd L.H.	19/8/14	R.T.A. 1/1/19
1123	Pte.	PLENTY	Cecil James (WM)	43rd Battalion	3/4/16	R.T.A. 20/5/19
3394	Pte.	PLEVEY	Ernest George	54th Battalion	5/8/15	R.T.A. 17/7/16
2973	Pte.	PLEVEY	Rowland	1st Pioneers	7/5/16	R.T.A. 27/9/17
31597	Gnr.	PLEW	Allan Thomas	36th H.A.Bde.	5/9/16	R.T.A. 24/1/19
1069	Pte.	PLEW	William John	20th Battalion	9/9/14	K.I.A. 28/7/16
1893	Pte.	PLEW	William Roy	43rd Battalion	9/5/16	R.T.A. 31/1/18
1549	Gnr.	PLEWMAN	Arthur Edgar	5th T.M.Bde.	16/9/15	R.T.A. 1/11/17
3911	Sgt.	PLEWS	William Edward	4th Pioneers	2/9/15	R.T.A. 24/1/18
	Lieut.	PLEYDELL	Arthur Deacon (MSM)	A.Post C.	24/8/14	
6815	Pte.	PLEYDELL	Bernard	22d Battalion	16/10/16	K.I.A. 4/5/17
719	Sgt.	PLEYDELL	Charles James	24th Battalion	31/12/14	R.T.A. 8/4/19
3027	Dvr.	PLEYDELL	Henry	D.A.C.	18/9/14	R.T.A. 12/11/16
137	Dvr.	PLEYDELL	Harold Edward	12th (Army) F.A.Bde.	20/10/15	
727	Cpl.	PLEYDELL	Herbert Leslie	Kit Store	26/4/16	R.T.A. 13/7/19
4566	Cpl.	PLIM	Joseph	7th Battalion	13/8/15	K.I.A. 18/8/16
2135A	Cpl.	PLIM	John	38th Battalion	15/6/16	R.T.A. 4/7/19

SOLDIER'S PAY BOOK.

Pay Book No. 109921

Surname PLEASANCE

Christian Names Albert William

Reg^l. No. 658 Religion C of C Rank Private

Enlisted in 3rd Military District.

Date of Attestation 4. 2. 16. Age on Enlistment 23 yrs

B Coy Unit 37th Battalion

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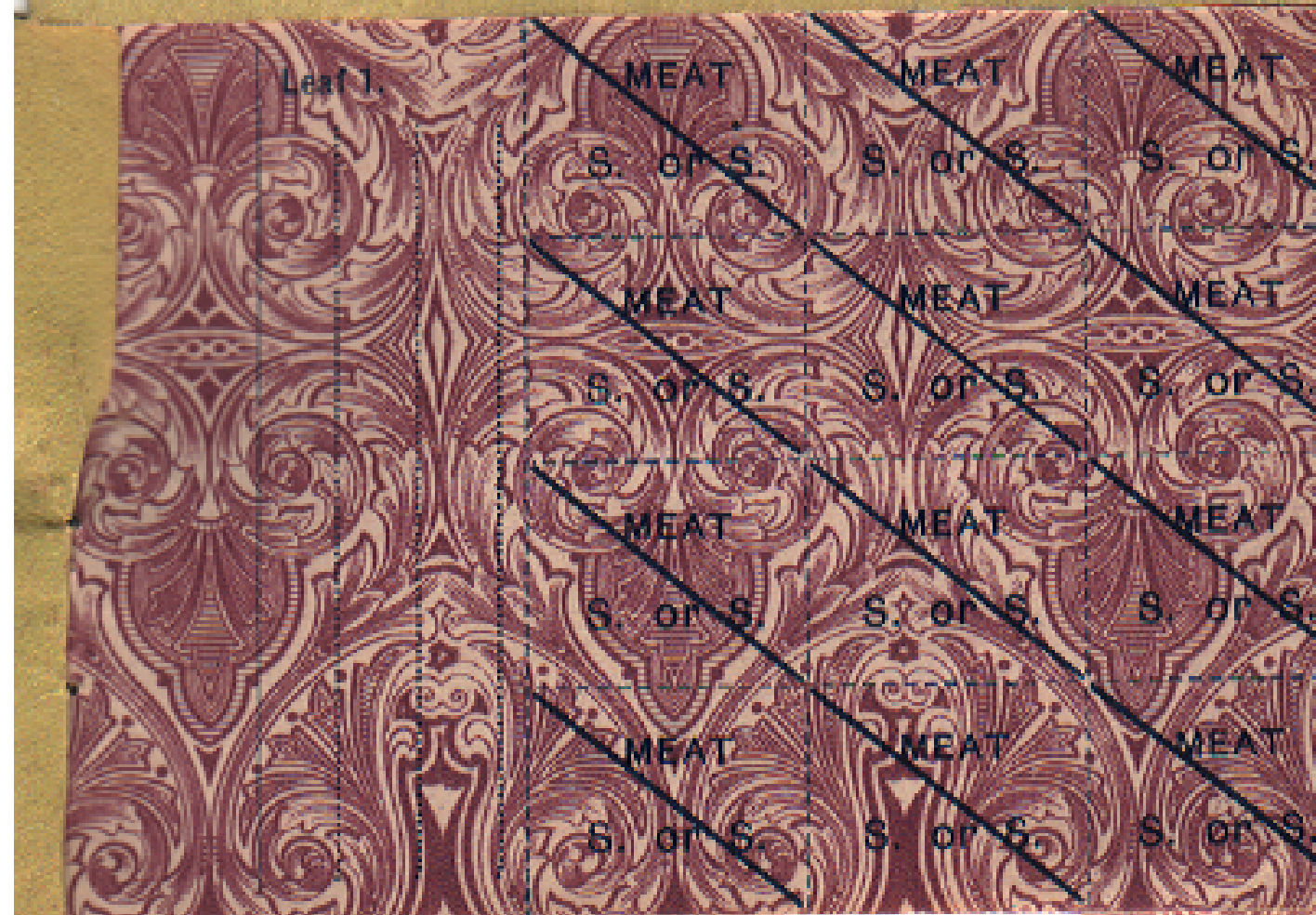
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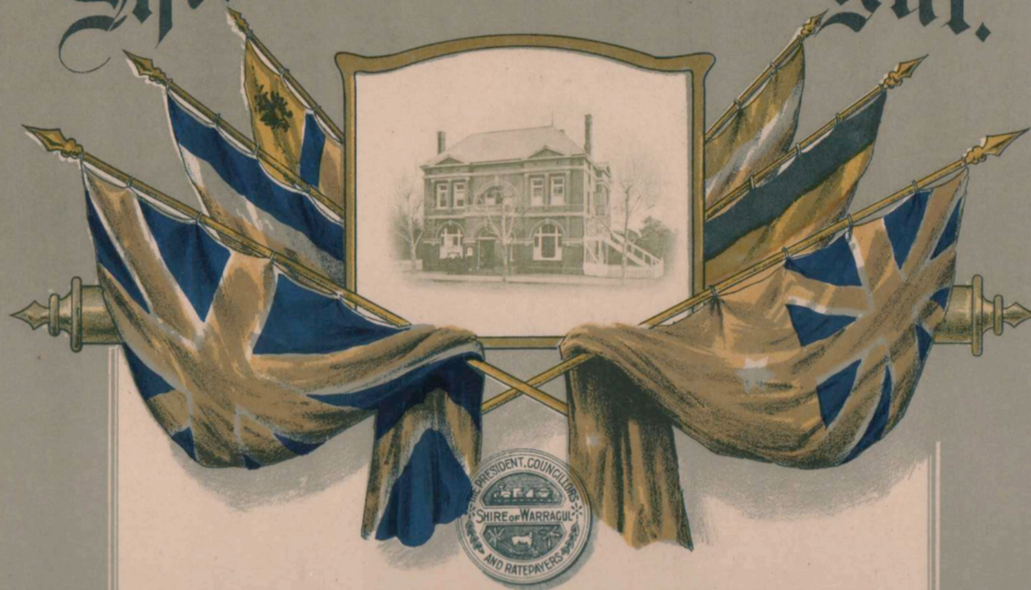
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Signature of Soldier A.W. Pleasance

Shire of Warragul.



Greeting

To Our Worthy Comrade

No. 558 Cpl. Albert William Pleasance 37th Batta. Enlisted 4-2-16 Embarked 3-6-16 Discharged 12-6-19 Over 3 years service Messines, Passchendaele Ypres Somme Heilly, Hamel, Royant, Bray.
This is to Certify that the above mentioned served the Empire and his Native Land in the Great War of 1914-18 and he is entitled to and duly accorded the thanks and appreciation of the President, Councillors and Ratepayers of the Shire of Warragul who have this day extended to him a hearty and Official Welcome Home. The hope is expressed that he may long enjoy the honor which he as a Gallant Soldier so richly deserves.

Signed on behalf of the President, Councillors and Ratepayers of the Shire of Warragul.

H. E. McFarlane President.

J. B. Cooper Councillor.

C. J. Oliver Councillor.

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November 12th 1919



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A. W. Pleasance
37th Battalion

Australian School of Musketry.

Tidworth

October - November 1918

25th Rifle Course

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L. J. Pleasance
Lieutenant Instructor

MILITARY ALLOTMENTS.—DISCHARGED (in Australia), DECEASED, and MISSING.

Termination

Advice No. D.34677 D.P.M. Ref. No. POBS 21. District Pay Office, Melbourne, 27th June. 1919.Certificate No. 42 payable at Darnum. Post Office.No. 658 Rank Cpl Name PLEASANCE, Albert Wm/ Unit 38th Btn.Allottee's Name and Address Mrs Ruby PleasanceC/o J. Dodds. Darnum. Victoria.

I have to inform you that allotment and Separation Allowance of 6/- and -- per diem payable to you under above Certificate are to be CANCELLED on and from 28.7.19. and payments will therefore be made to you as under:—

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The reason for the cancellation is Soldier discharged 27.7.19.

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Yours faithfully,

42 Darnum.

District Paymaster.

*With 37th Battalion**Came home with 38th Batt from France.*

Register No. *24*

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EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

Certificate of Discharge of No. *658* (Rank) *Corporal*(Name) *Albert William Pleasance*(Regiment or Corps) *38th Battalion*born at or near the Town of *Darwin*in the State or County of *Victoria*

Attested at

4th February

19

16

for the

on the

Regiment or Corps at the age of *23* years.

He is discharged in consequence of

Termination of his period of

Enlistment.

Service towards
completion of
engagement } — years *1270* days.

Medals

and

Service Abroad — years *1105* days.

Decorations

Signature of Officer
Commanding Regiment
or Corps.*Elmirigat Capt.**S.O.I. and R.S., 3rd M.D.*

Place

Melbourne

Returned Soldier's Badge.

Date

*27 July 1919*Issued No. *208930*

Discharge confirmed at

Melbourne,

Signature

Elmirigat Capt.

Date

Commandant, 3rd Military District.
27 July 1919

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20-7-19

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Description of the above-named Soldier on discharge:—

Age 26 years

Height 5' 8"

Complexion Fair

Eyes Blue

Hair Brown

Trade as stated by him on enlistment

Barman

Marks or scars, whether
on face or other parts
of body—

Scar right leg

Intended place of Residence

Darwin

Victoria

Specimen Signature of Soldier

Albert W. Pleasance

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CERTIFICATE.

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No. 658. Rank Corpl. Name Pleasance, A.W. 37th Bn. A.I.F.

attended the Twenty-Fifth - Rifle Course at the above

School from 31st October 1918. to 30th November 1918. and

qualified as under.

First Class Distinguished Instructor

also passed Fair working knowledge of Lewis Gun.

Date 30th November 1918.

W. Sharpe Major,
Commandant.

Australian School of Musketry.

Theory. I.

(9)

Musketry Regulations 17th 30

Object.

- (1) To understand some of the powers of the rifle
- 2) When known to correctly apply that knowledge.

Definitions. S. M. R.

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1) Before bullet leaves rifle. | 11) Elevation. |
| 2) Rifling | 12)ighting of Rifles. |
| 3) Explosion. | 13) Drift. |
| 4) Jump. | 14) Dangerous space. |
| 5) Fixing Bayonet. | 15) Ricochets. |
| 6) Heated & Oily Barrel. | 16) Firing up & down. |
| 7) Resting Rifle | 17) Barometer. |
| 8) After bullet has left. | 18) Thermometer. |
| 9) Resistance of Air | 19) Wind. |
| 10) <u>Gravity.</u> | 20) <u>Light.</u> |



A.W. PLEASANCE
658

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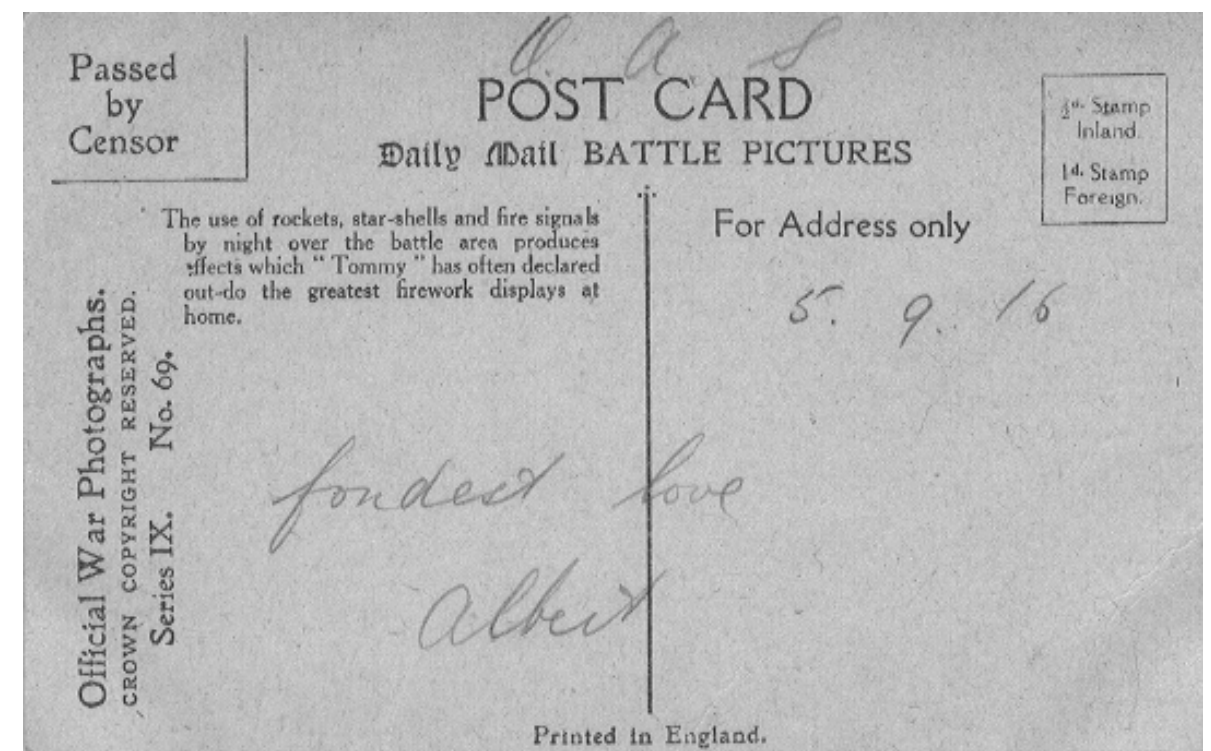
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Albert liked to send letters and postcards home to his wife Ruby.



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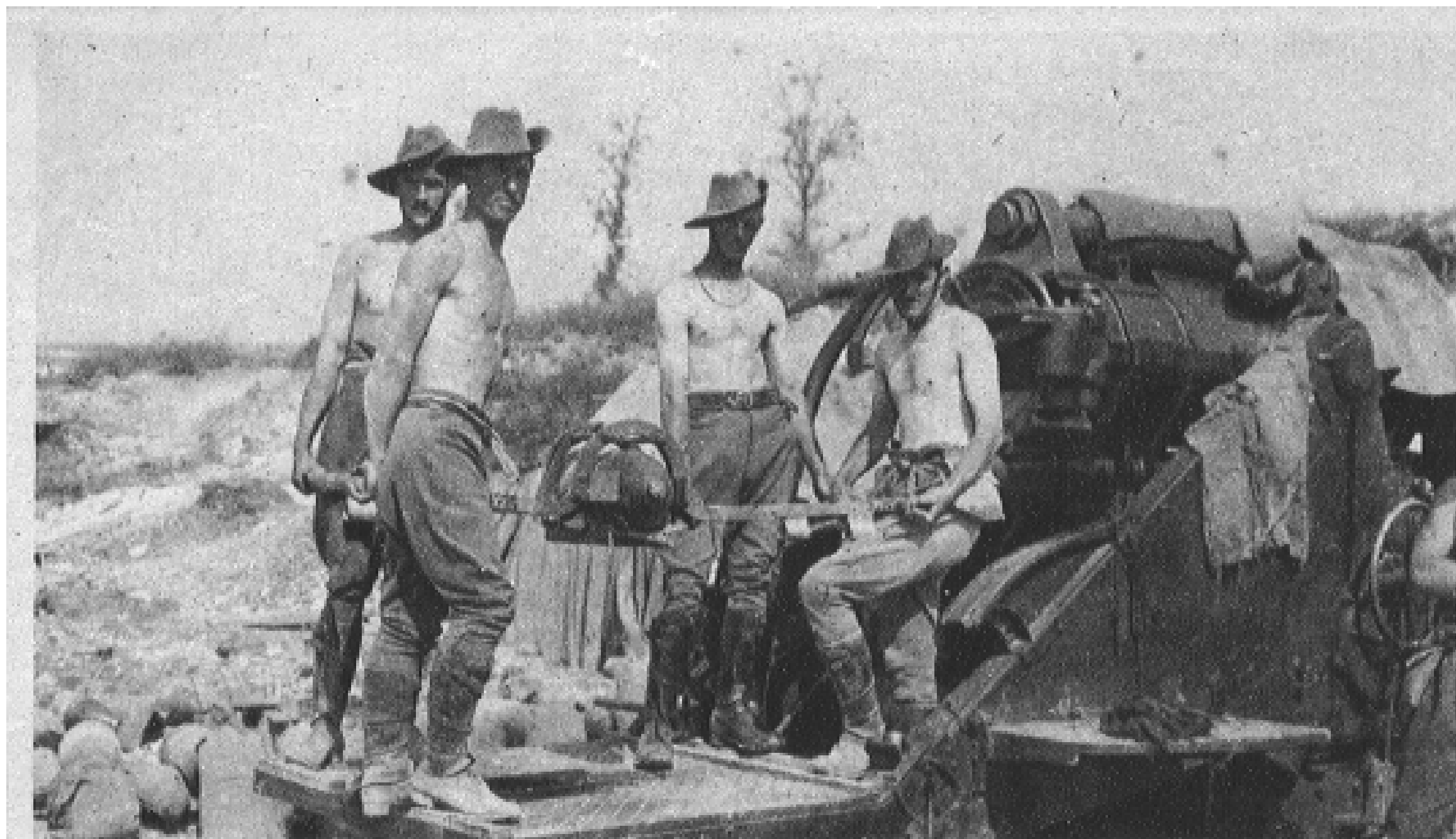
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With a swinging Back-to-Billets step these
Anzacs are leaving trench duty for their well-
earned rest.

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See how happy they look, but
they are going the right way
fondest love
Albert

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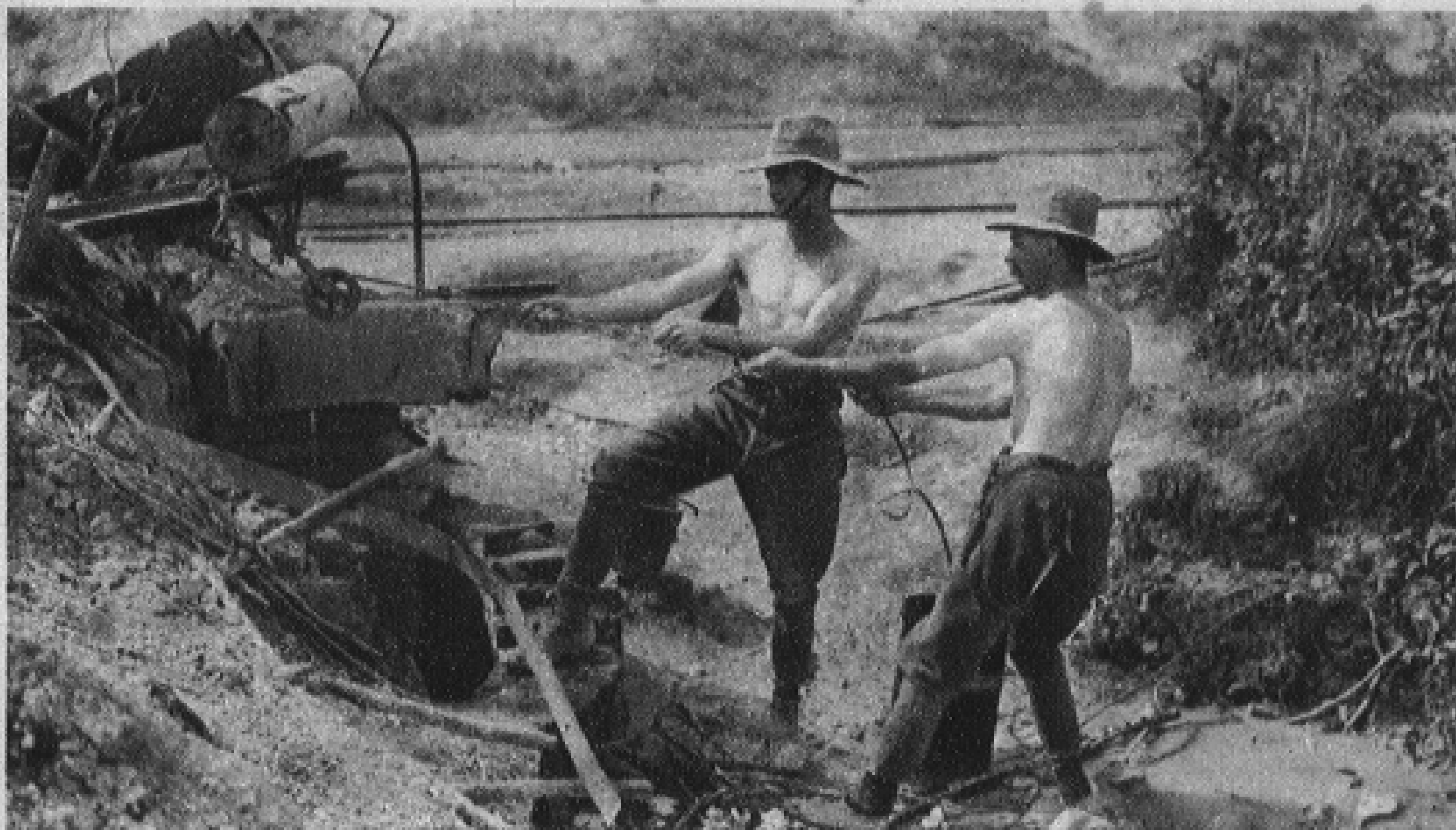


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Hot work in hot weather

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Drawing water for the gun crew

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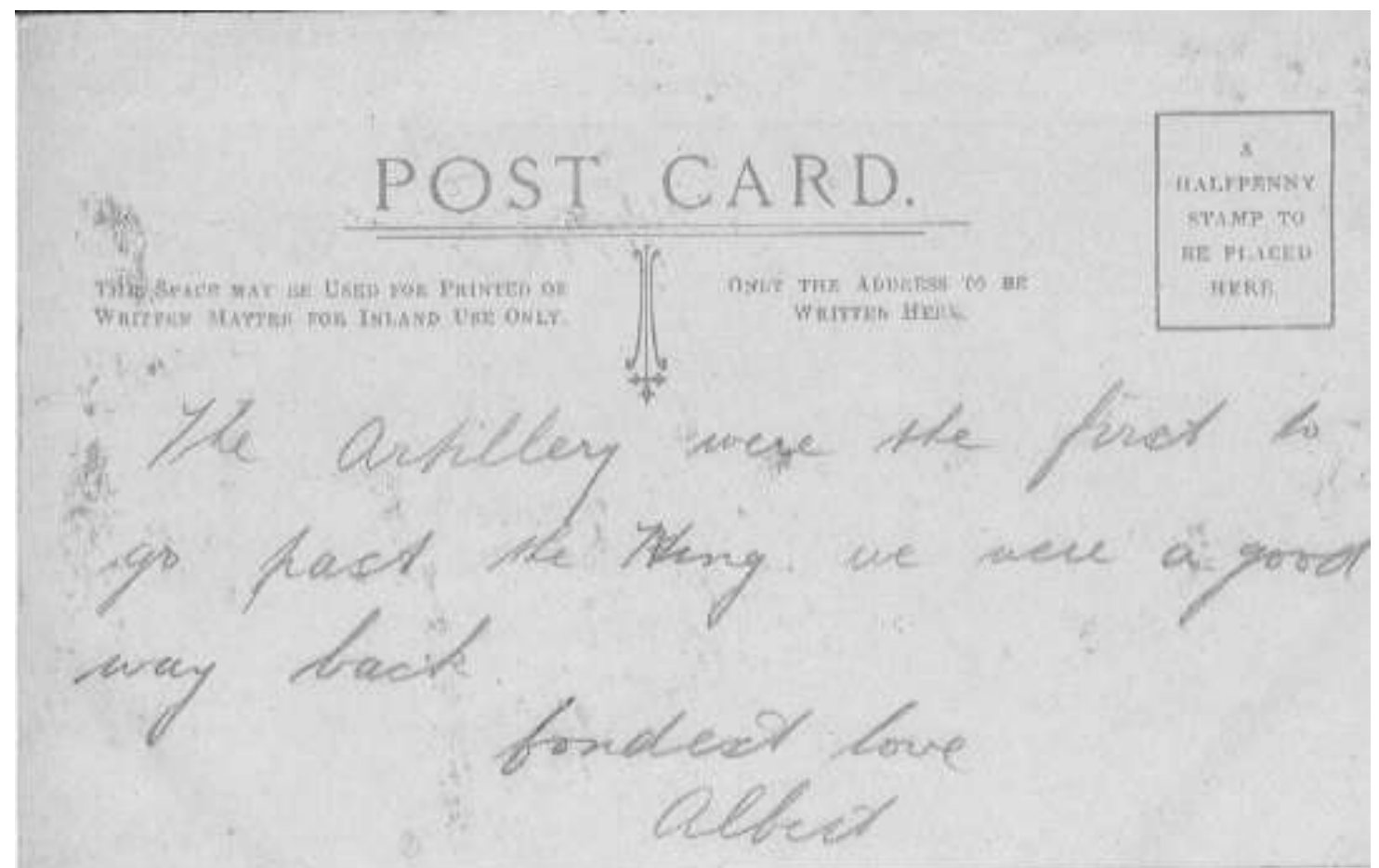


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H.M. The King at the Anzac Revue—March Past of the Artillery, September 27th, 1916.



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26/10/16

What do you think of
this little lot?

fondest love
Albert

✧ The Soldier's Ten Commandments. ✧

1—**Thou shalt not complain** nor write abusive epistles when thy Soldier, who is forever thy slave, cannot get 'leave.' Nor abuse him when he only getteth '48,' for there are others of higher rank than he. Nor entice him to 'overstay' and bask in thy presence for ever, for therein lies the way of 'C.B.'

2—**Thou shalt not worship** any other *image* but ME.

3—**Thou shalt not doubt thy Soldier's Word** when he 'Telleth Ye the Tale' that he hath not cast eyes on any fair maid but thee, for in all truth there is a scarcity in the Wilderness, though there are strange beings called *Cooks* who hath a strong resemblance to what men calleth 'A Bird.'

4—**Give no man the 'Glad Eye' but ME.**

5—**Thou shalt not expecteth** thy Soldier to 'Treat' thee with 'canteen swipes' when on a visit, for he knoweth the quality thereof, he also hath knowledge that to get to 'Ye Merry and Bright' stage as hitherto, would taketh twelve months' pay. Tho' it is laid down in the Book of the Lion-tamers that 'It is Better to Give than Receive' they meaneth C.B. and Umpty other things, not fiery liquor, for he or she that 'Giveth' shall be fined according to the law of the land.

6—**Thou shalt not gad about** during thy Soldier's absence, for though he knoweth he can trust thee, there are strange men in the land with 'the Evil Eye.' Shun those worms called 'Conscientious Objectors' as ye would the plague.

7—**Thou shalt not purchase** Motor-Cars, Dainty Linerie, Silks, Fur-belowes and other articles of attraction out of thy Soldier's allowance, though he expecteth to see fine things when 'On Leave' thou shouldst study economy in everything. Furthermore, always weareth thy skirts a becoming length.

8—**Thou shalt write often** to thy man in the Wilderness for thy soldier says in all truth that, Verily, letters from thee are thrice welcomed in this outlandish spot.

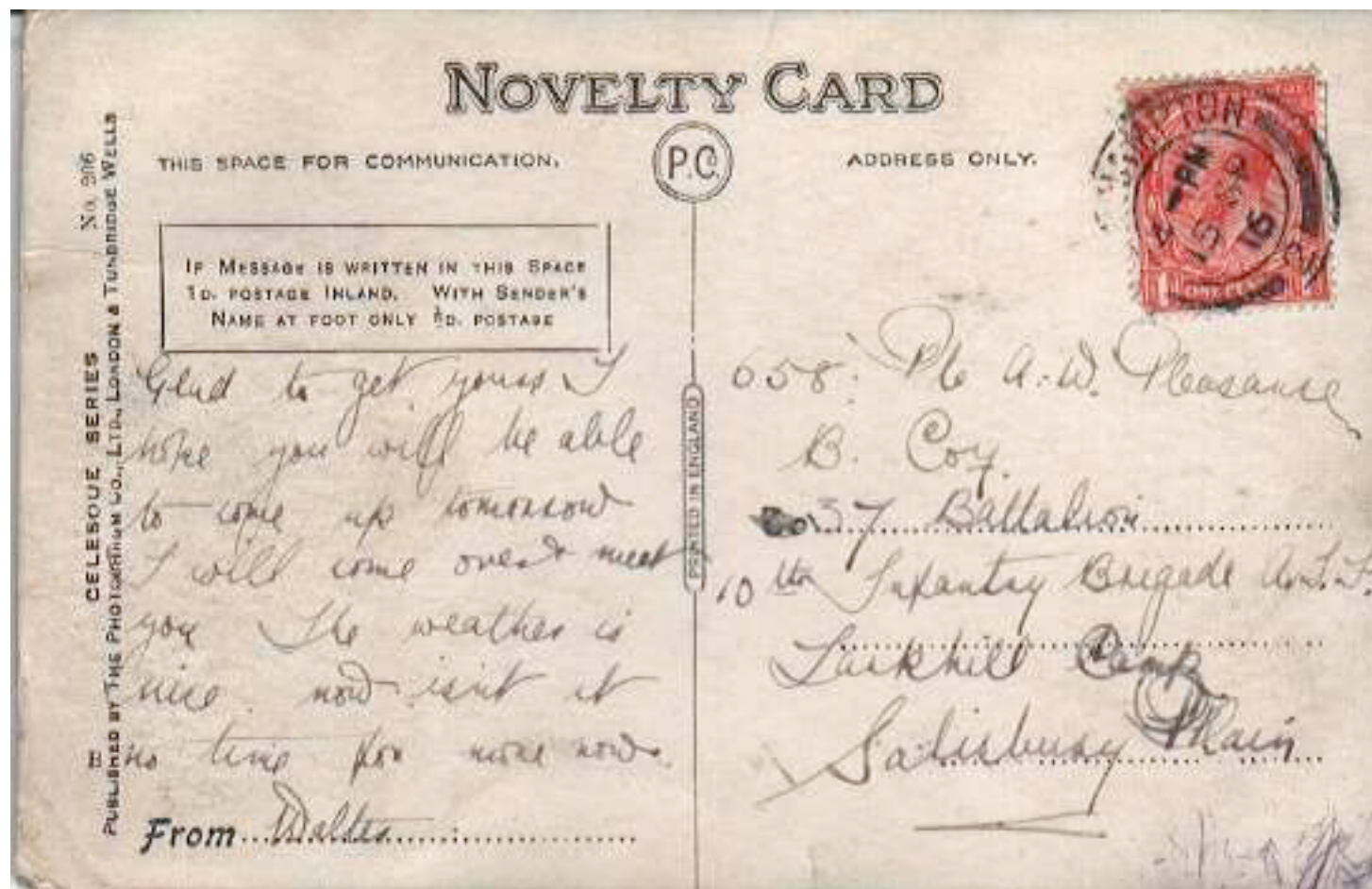
9—**Thou shalt not Worry** or getteth the hump liketh the camels of the desert; for thou shouldst 'Pack Up' your Troubles in thy Old Handbag' and Smile, and the Sun shall shineth on thee and thine for ever.

10—**Thou shalt not praise** any Regiment but "Ours."

Furthermore—Acteth thee up to all these, thy Soldier's Commands, then when the spirit moves our goodly C.O., I will hie me away and salute my goddess with a chaste kiss on either cheek.

LARKHILL, 1916

(Signed) "Thumbs Up"





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H.M. The King at the Anzac Review—
March Past of the New Zealand Mounted Infantry and the R.A.M.C., September 27th, 1916.

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HERE.

2 of people
We were in this Review, but we
were before the New Zealand lot
fondest love
Albert

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My Darling Wife

What do you think of this
little lot. its good oh

fondest love

Albert

LARK HILL.

37th Battalion

There's an isolated, desolated spot I'd like to mention,
Where all you hear is "Stand at ease," "Quick march,"
"Slope arms," "Attention";
It's miles away from anywhere, by gad it is a rum 'un,
A chap lived there for fifty years and never saw a woman.

There's only two lamps in the place, so tell it to your mother,
The postman carries one, and the policeman has the other;
And if you want a jolly night, and do not care a jot,
You take a ride upon the car, the car they haven't got,

Lots of tiny little huts are dotted here and there,
For those who have to live inside, I've offered many a prayer;
It's "slutch" up to the eye-brows, by gad it is some puddle,
Sandow would'nt stand a blooming dog's chance in the strug-
gle.

Soldiers live inside the huts, they fill my heart with sorrow,
With tear-dimmed eyes they say to me, it's Lark Hill Down
to-morrow;
Inside the huts there's rats as big as any nanny goat,
Last night a soldier saw one trying on his overcoat.

For breakfast every morning, it's like Old Mother Hubbard,
You double round the hut three times and jump up at the
cupboard;
Sometimes they give you bacon, but when they give you
cheese,
It forms platoon upon your plate, order arms, and stands at
ease.

When this war is over, and we've captured Kaiser Billy,
To shoot him would be merciful, and absolutely silly;
Just send him down to Lark Hill, amongst the mud and clay
I'll bet it won't be long before he droops and fade away.

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Correspondance

Adresse

My Darling Ruby

11/3/18

Comptre Red Rose? It is some
shunt isn't it? I wonder what they will
get up next in the way of chills!
Anything to take the troops eye.
We are having lovely weather here now & the Spring
flowers are all coming out already
best love
your everloving Albert.

Flowers of France



Gathered for you



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CORRESPONDANCE

THIS SIDE FOR ADDRESS
ADRESSE

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Belgium.*

23/2/18.

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Wishing you
A Merry Christmas
and
A Happy New Year.
1917—1918.



To Ruby
with fondest love

'Midst the rush and roar of battle
And this life's unceasing strain,
There's a feeling o'er us stealing
That it's Xmas time again:
And while sending wishes tender,
As we press home the attack,
We are yearning for the turning
Of the tide—to bring us back.

I am sending you these greetings
With the tenderest regard
And the kindest Xmas wishes
Ever carried by a card,
May the New Year see fulfilment
Of the wish we cherish most,
'Tis Homeward Bound—our port of call
Australia's Sunny Coast.

From Albert

B. Coy., 37th Battn.

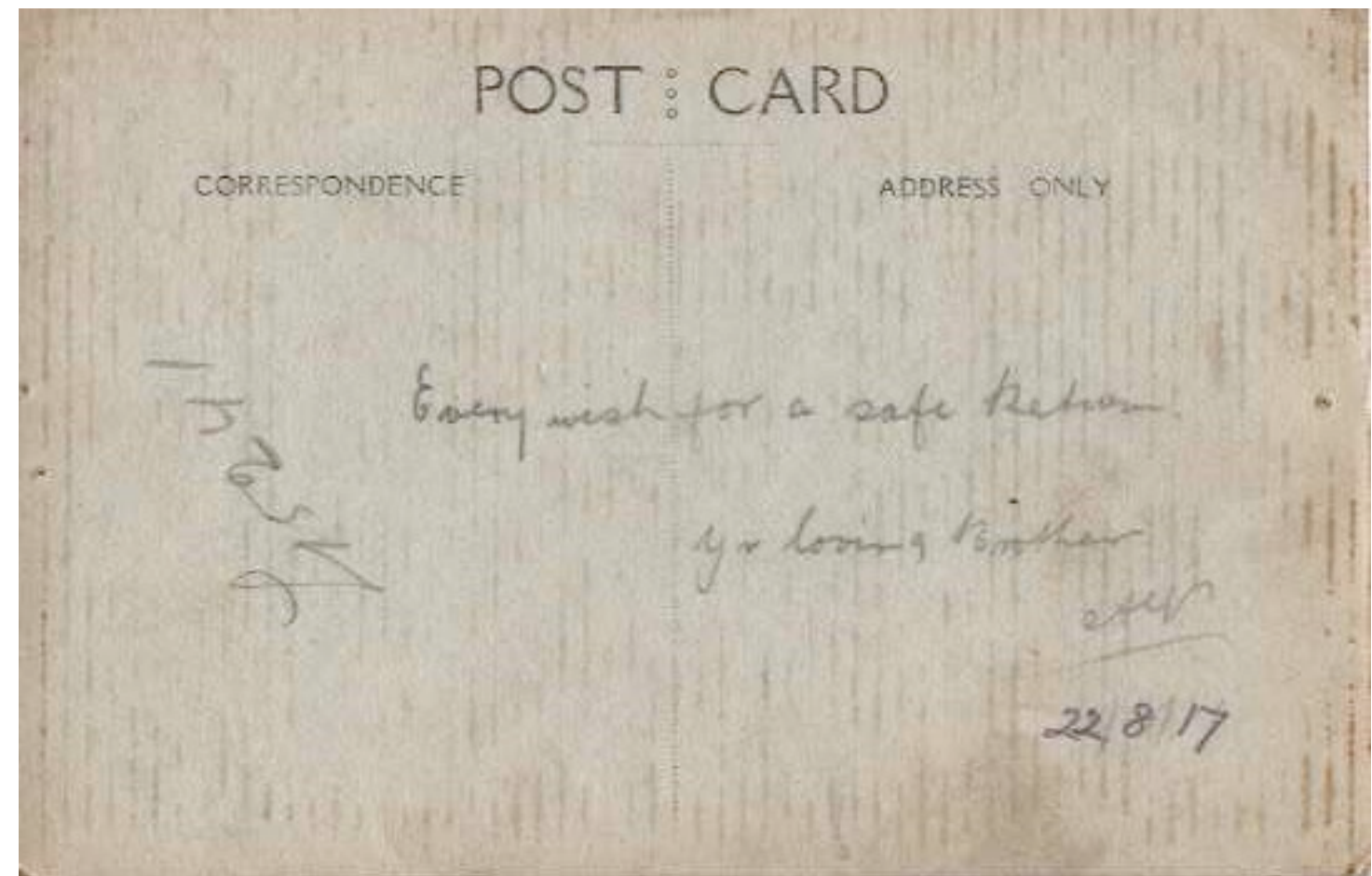
A.I.F.



Rather a sad one here.

**Sent to Albert from his
brother Alf.**

**Alf died of wounds 12
months later.
(See next page)**



Pleasance, Alfred Ernest

Number: 5179

Rank: Private [Pte]

Unit: 59th Bn Australian Inf

Service: Army

Conflict: 1914-1918

Date of Death: 29/09/1918

Place of Death:

Cause of Death: Died of wounds

Memorial Panel: 168

Cemetery or Memorial Details: FRANCE 1495 Templeux-le-Guerard British Cemetery

Next Of Kin:

Place Of Enlistment: Darnum, VIC

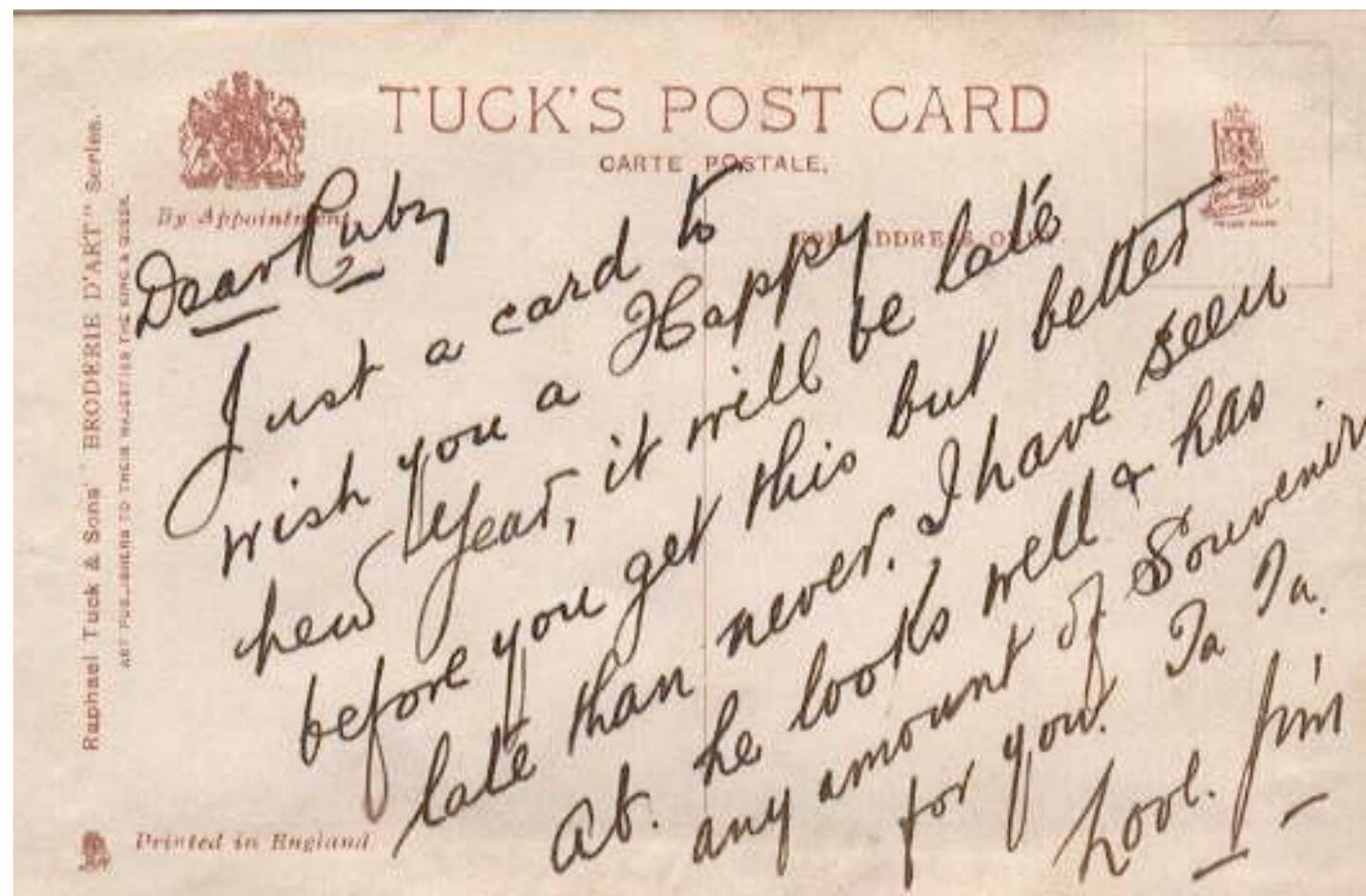
Native Place:

Notes: PLEASANCE, Pte. Alfred Ernest, 5179. 59th Bn. Australian Inf. Died of wounds 29th Sept., 1918. Age 23. Son of Eldred and Mary Pleasance, of Darnum Park, Darnum, Victoria, Australia. Native of Suffolk, England. II. F. 38.

Source: AWM145 Roll of Honour cards, 1914-1918 War, Army







**Sent to Ruby -
from a family
friend.**



Collection

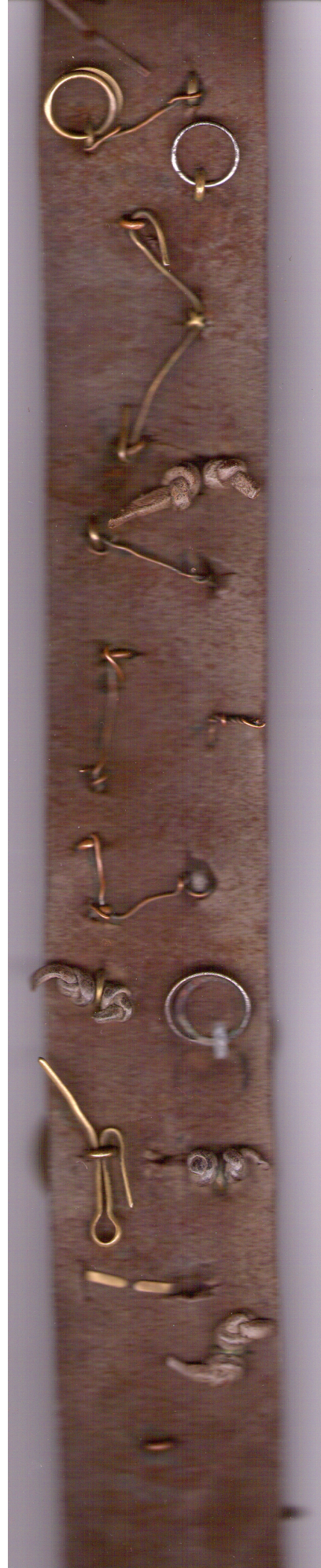


**Like most soldiers on the Western Front
Albert liked to collect things.**

**He carried them home in his kit bag.
How heavy was it?**

**The following pages show some of the
things he bought back. Do you know what
they are, or what they were used for?**









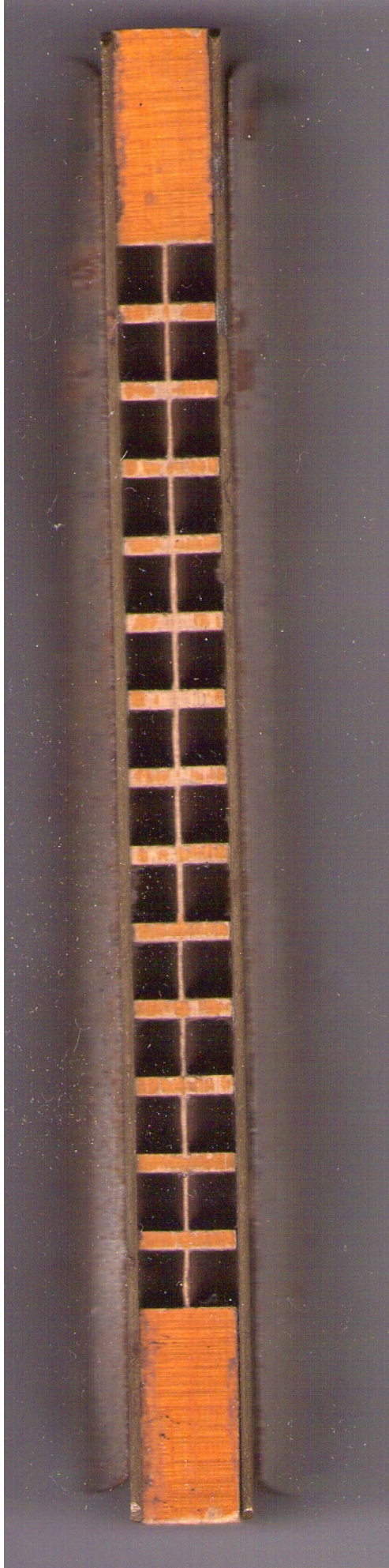


















His Brother Alfred...



Thursday dull morning. heard from
Miss P. that Alfred died of wounds
at 11th Field Ambulance. Friday dull
all day. heard from Grace Clarke about
Alf. Saturday dull morning writing
afternoon. Sunday writing afternoon
went to Fovant church at night
Monday dull. Tuesday dull morning
getting ready to go to musketry
school at Tidworth. Wednesday
left Fovant for Tidworth, stayed
in Andover for a few hours
got to Tidworth about five
Thursday started musketry
course. Went to Garrison Theatre
Wednesday night & saw "Faust"
Opera play. Friday carrying on

Albert's diary entry mentions the death of his brother Alfred. Why did he have to learn about his death from Miss Pennington in England, and not be told directly by the Army?

We can only imagine how Albert felt about that one!!!!

No. 5179 Private
PLEASANCE Alfred Ernest

59th Battalion

29/9/18

Died of wounds

Mr. E. Pleasance (Father)

**In Memory of
Private ALFRED ERNEST PLEASANCE**

**5179, 59th Bn., Australian Infantry, A.I.F.
who died age 23
on 29 September 1918**

**Son of Eldred and Mary Pleasance, of Darnum
Park, Darnum, Victoria, Australia. Native of
Suffolk, England.**

**Remembered with honour
TEMPLEUX-LE-GUERARD BRITISH CEMETERY**



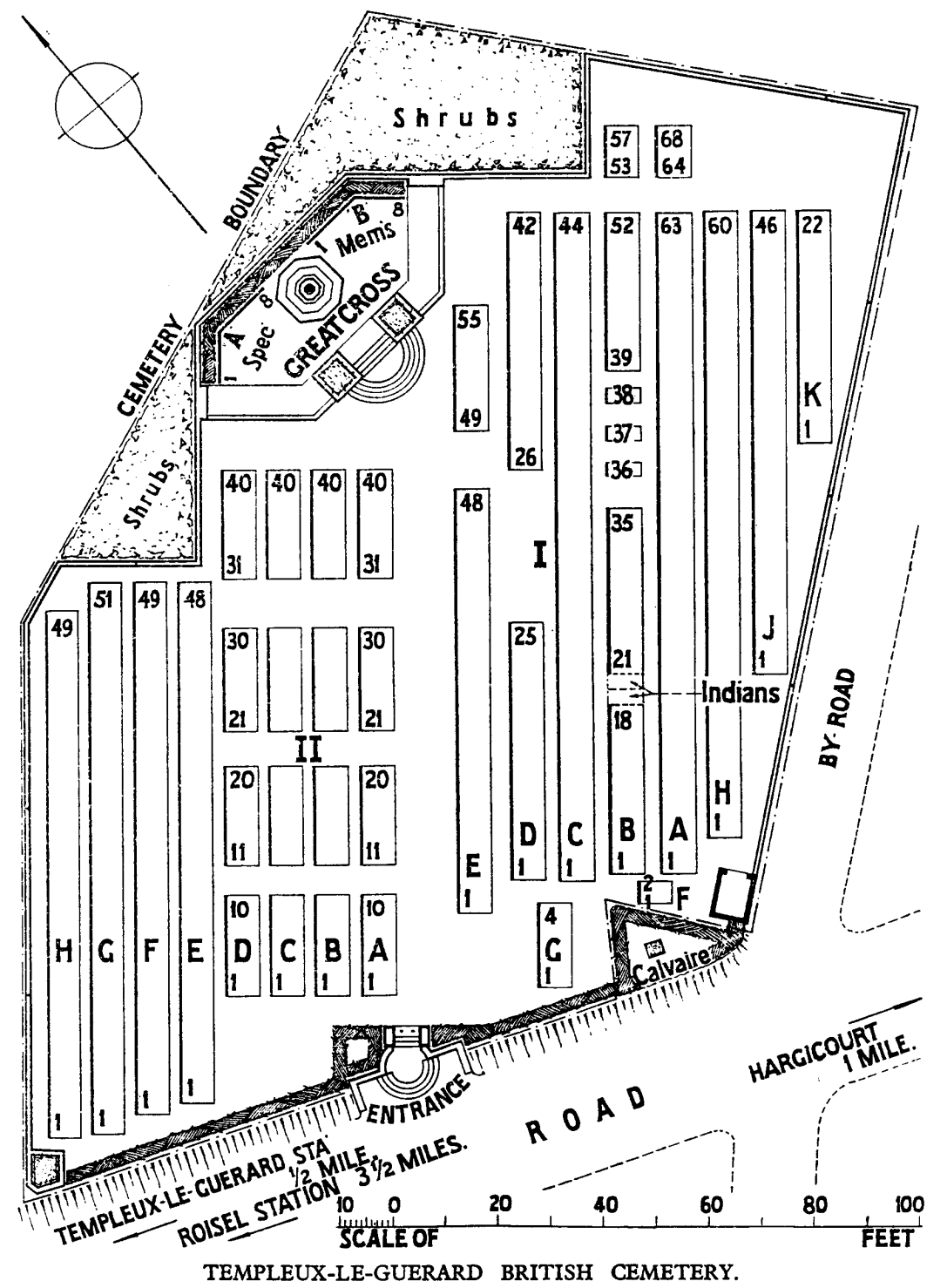
Alfred's original headstone.



Today it is something like this...

Cemetery Details

Ceme tery:	TEMPLEUX-LE- GUERARD BRITISH CEMETERY
Coun try:	France



Particulars Required for the Roll of Honour of Australia in the Memorial War Museum.

1. Name (in full) of Fallen Soldier... *Pleasance, Alfred Ernest.*
2. Unit and Number (if known)... *5179 59th Battalion. H. I. F.*
3. With what Town or District in Australia was he chiefly connected (under which his name ought to come on the Memorial)—
 Town (if any) *Darnum* District *Warragul* State *Victoria*
4. What was his Birthplace... *Wickham Skeith, Suffolk, England*
5. Date of Death... *29-9-18*
6. Place where Killed or Wounded... *Near Hargicourt.*

Particulars Required for the Nation's Histories.

1. What was his Calling... *Farming.*
2. Age at time of Death... *23*
3. What was his School... *Wickham Skeith.*
4. What was his other Training
5. If born in Britain or Abroad, at what age did he come to Australia... *15 1/2*
6. Had he ever served in any Military or Naval Force before Enlisting in the A.I.F. (Please state particulars)
No
7. Any other biographical details likely to be of interest to the Historian of the A.I.F., or of his Regiment—

8. Was he connected with any other Member of the A.I.F. who died or who distinguished himself. (Please state Relationship)—

9. Name and Address of the Parent or other person giving this information—

Name... *Mrs. Pleasance*

Relationship to Soldier... *Mother*

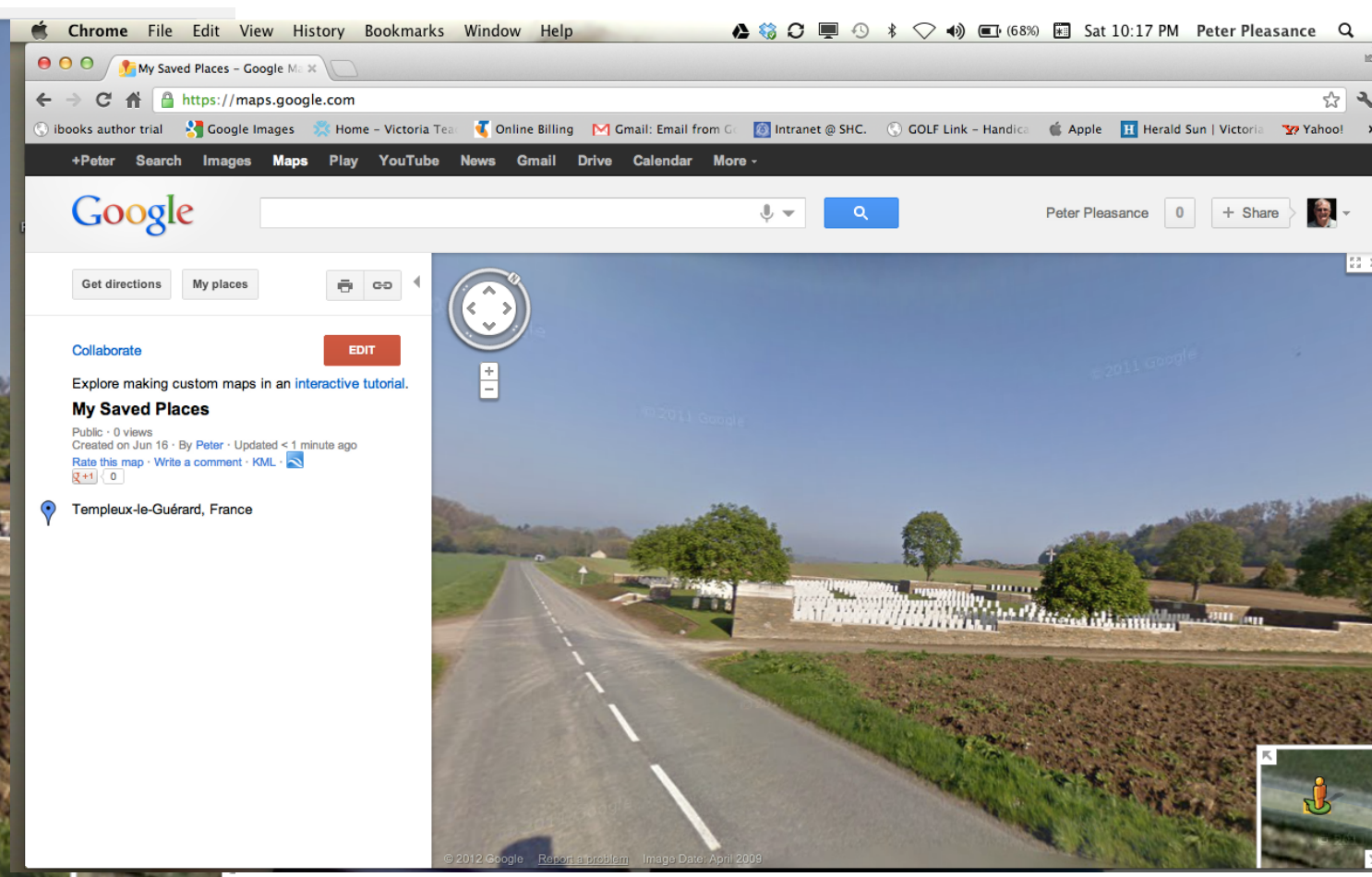
Address... *Darnum Pk. Darnum, Gippsland, Vic*

10. Names and Addresses of any other persons to whom reference could be made by the Historian for further information—

Name... *Miss Pennington*

Address... *West Holme Dunsfold, Surrey, England*

NOTE.—This Folder is Addressed to the Secretary, Department of Defence, Melbourne. Please fold in four, and stick down gummed flap so that the addressed portion is outside. The information is required urgently.





If you are connected to the Internet tap here to see the Google Map of the Cemetery where Alfred is buried.





**Elaine and Peter Pleasance visited the cemetery on July 24th 2014.
In the small space we had in the visitors book at the cemetery, Peter wrote:
“In memory of my Great Uncle, who I never met,
and whom my father was named after.”**



His Mate A.A. Veering

On the back of Albert's name disc we found a memorial to A.A. Veering. You don't put such an 'In Memory' there unless you knew the person well. We can only assume that Alfred Arnold Veering was one of Albert's great mates. Albert never liked to talk much about the horrible side of his war service, as he, like many others could never understand the futility of war.

It only leads us to ask:

Was Albert with Alfred when he died?

How did his death effect Albert?



Description of Vearing Alfred Arnold on Enlistment.

Age 18 years 11 months.
Height 5 feet 8 1/4 inches.
Weight 154 lbs.
Chest Measurement 34.37 inches.

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

17th R Arm (faint)
2 moles back of neck.
1 mole right arm

FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT OR CORPS 37th Battalion Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company 3rd Australian Division
Regimental No. 1673 Rank Lance-Corporal
Surname VEARING Christian Name Alfred Arnold
Died { Date 4th October 1917 Place In the Field BELGIUM
Cause of Death* Killed in Action
Nature and Date of Report Army Form B 213 dated 13th October 1917
By whom made CO 37th Battalion AIF
* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.
State whether he leaves { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Will not received (b) in Small Book (if at Base) *****
a Will or not { (c) as a separate document *****

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Station and Date ANZAC SECTION 3rd Battalion G.H.Q. D.E.F. 14.11.17.
Signature of Officer in charge of Section [Signature] 2/Lieut.
Adjutant-General's Office at the Base Officer in charge Records.

W2088 M1768-500/000-11. A. Fr.-5/17-(1948)-Form B 2090A/2.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him

to 1st Reinforcements

Date 19.6.16

Place Seymour

[Signature] Lieut. Col.
Commanding 37th Battalion A.I.F.

Commanding _____

On His Majesty's Service.

ATF/958/1 Eff/2/1486.

1673. Pte A.A. Vearing

37th Bn. A.I.F.

4. 10. 17.

Sanctuary Wood Cemetery
Plot IV Row J Grave 31.

Effects

Title

Damaged Disc.

37th Battn.

VEARING
A.A. 1673

K. 4/10/17

I knew casualty, he was a slight built man, 5'7" in height, fair complexion, about 25 years of age. Casualty was at Passchendaele during the advance. He was going forward in attack with a Lewis Gun Section when a high explosive shell landed alongside him, a piece entering his chest, killing him instantly. I was twenty yards in the rear of him at the time of his death. He was buried near where he fell. There was a cross erected over his grave, with his name number and unit on it.

Informant:- 2929

D.L. Bullock

Sundy Creek

via HULON

N.A.T.
17/10/19.

DH

XXXX 4780

9 - MAR 1928

S.C. 1.

Dear Sir,

With further reference to the report of the regrettable loss of your son, the late No. 1673 Lance/Corporal A.A. VEARING, 37th Battalion, I am now in receipt of advice that during the course of exhumation work at a point about one mile North North-West of Zonnebeke, Belgium, the Imperial War Graves Commission was successful in recovering the remains of this soldier which have since been interred with every measure of care and reverence in Plot 4, Row J, Grave 10 of Sanctuary Wood Cemetery, situated near Zillebeke, South East of Ypres, where a permanent headstone of uniform design will be erected and engraved with his full regimental description and date of death, together with any verse or epitaph previously selected in the form of a personal inscription.

It is the practice of the Commission to notify relatives direct when the headstones are finally in position, and at a later date, the opportunity will be afforded you of obtaining a copy of the printed Register containing full particulars of all British and Dominion burials in the abovenamed Cemetery.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. A. Vearing,
Illinois,
Via Beckon,
N.S.W.

Captain,
Officer i/c Base Records.

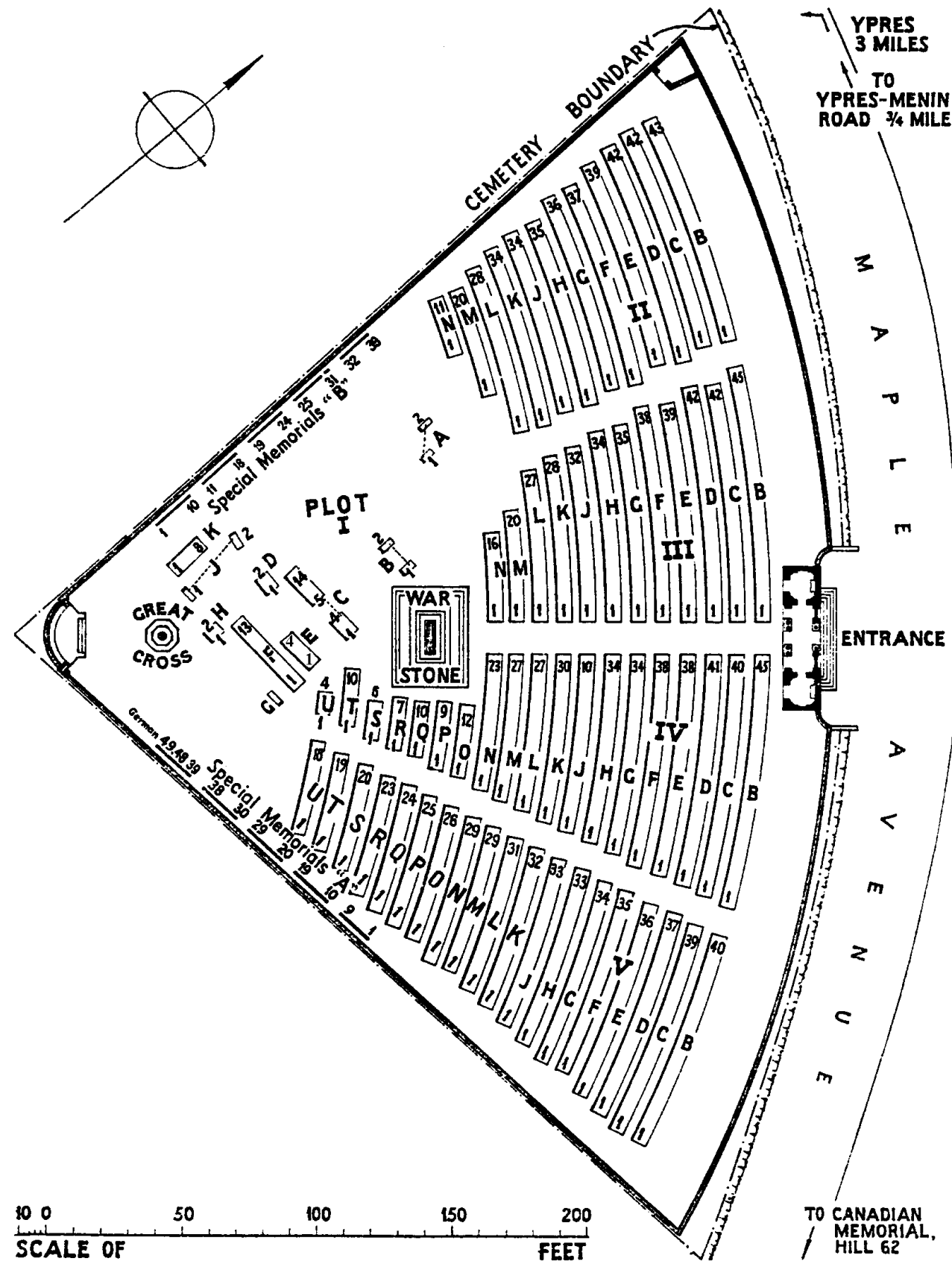
**In Memory of
Lance Corporal ALFRED ARNOLD VEARING**

**1673, 37th Bn., Australian Infantry, A.I.F.
who died
on 04 October 1917**

**Son of Alfred and Mary Vearing, of Beckom, New South Wales. Born in Victoria, Australia.
Remembered with honour
SANCTUARY WOOD CEMETERY**



**Commemorated in perpetuity by
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission**



SANCTUARY WOOD CEMETERY

Cemetery:	SANCTUARY WOOD CEMETERY
Country:	Belgium
Locality:	Ieper, West-Vlaanderen
Visiting Information:	Wheelchair access to this site is possible, but maybe by an alternative entrance. For further information regarding wheelchair access, please contact our Enquiries Department on telephone number: 01628 634221
Location Information:	Sanctuary Wood Cemetery is located 5 Kms east of Ieper town centre, on the Canadalaan, a road leading from the Meenseweg (N8), connecting Ieper to Menen. From Ieper town centre the Meenseweg is located via Torhoutstraat and right onto Basculestraat. Basculestraat ends at a main cross roads, directly over which begins the Meenseweg. 3 Kms along the Meenseweg lies the right hand turning onto Canadalaan. The cemetery itself is located 1.5 Kms along Canadalaan on the right hand side of the road. 100 metres beyond the cemetery at the end of the Canadalaan is the Hill 62 Memorial.

After WW1...

Albert married Ruby Lyons...



Albert and Ruby lived on the land and eventually settled in Bendigo. They had four children: Elsie, Mena, Alfred (named after Albert's brother), and Ivy. They had an orchard in Bendigo that they later changed to a poultry farm. They built two houses on the land they owned over the years.



Albert and Ruby at their 50th wedding anniversary.

This the last photo of Albert taken not long before he died (aged 87). It is of the four generations and Albert was very pleased with the new baby as it meant a continuation of the family name.

Alfred Ernest Pleasance - his son

**Albert
William
Pleasance**



**Peter Douglas
Pleasance - his
grandson**

**Mark Alfred Pleasance
- his great grandson**

Ruby cutting her 100th birthday cake...



A recent photo of the next four generations...

Alfred Ernest Pleasance - Albert's son

Peter Douglas
Pleasance -
Albert's
grandson



Mark Alfred Pleasance -
Albert's great grandson

Harry George Pleasance - Albert's
great great grandson

Albert William Pleasance

No. 558 Cpl. Albert William Pleasance 37th Battn. Enlisted
4-2-16 Embarked 3-6-16 Discharged 12-6-19 Over 3 years service
Messines, Passchendaele Ypres Somme Heilly, Hamel, Provant, Bray.



Albert's Diaries...



“I never thought a man could go through all we did & then come out smiling, but we did.”

Albert's diaries are his account of his experiences on the Western Front. They are more about day to day happenings and do not detail the brutal aspects of the war.

Albert William Pleasance

Corporal No. 658

The following sections contain Albert's wartime diaries.

He wrote in small books that he hid in his boots.

They were written with a pencil.

A number of files are used to cover all of the diary entries.



No 658

Pte A. W. Pleasance

B. Coy

37th Batt

10th Inf Brigade A.S.F.

O. A. S.M.

If killed in action
will finder please
return this wallet &
contents together with
lucky charms round
neck & whistlet watch
to, Mrs A. W. Pleasance

Darwin

Gippsland. &

Victoria

Australia

& oblige.

Yours gratefully

Pte A. W. Pleasance.

H. M. A. Y. Persie

Left Seymour 4 a.m. 3. 6. 16

We left Melbourne 3. 6. 16

arrived Albany 8. 6. 16

Left 9. 6. 16 arrived

Cape Town 28. 6. 16. left

30. 7. 16 arrived Cape St

Vincent 15. 7. 16 left

16. 7. 16 arrived Devonport

25. 7. 16. disembarked

2. 30 p.m. 0 entrained at

Devonport about 4. 30 for

Salisbury Plains arriving at

Amesburg 11 p.m. got to camp

about 2 a.m. went to bed

At 3. 30 the train ride

was good & the scenery

lovely ~~Thursday~~ ^{Wednesday} we were

all fixed up in our

barracks & issued with

blankets morning & in the

~~evening~~ afternoon we were

all lined up on our

parade ground & then

dismissed. Had a look

round the Camp & part

of it. This is a large

Camp & the part we live

in is called Lark Hill Camp
saw an aeroplane in the
evening the first I've seen
flying. weighed myself at the
P. M. C. A. twelve stone
seven pounds. sent cable home
fine Thursday drill all day ^{from}
from 6.30 to 7.30. 8.45 to 12.30
1.45 to 5.30 drill hours
saw several aeroplanes flying
about after tea. went to stone
henge in the evening. one Officer &
the four men that were left at
Cape Town turned up this morning.
Friday drill morning aeroplane
passed over us no rifle drilling
drill & pay afternoon concert for
Battalion lines in evening
fares collected. to Stations we
are going on leave mine as
this is several aeroplanes in
evening. Saturday Batt. drill
morning holiday afternoon
went into Rousbury it is
a very old fashioned place.
Sunday on Quarter Masters
fatigue morning & went to
stone henge in the afternoon.

Monday left for four days
leaving went up to Walsley
then on to Guildford had
a look round the Town &
then went on to West Horsham
& on to Mr Lodge's place at
Barnes Green. Tuesday went
to Dunsfold on a bicycle
saw several old friends
but heard bad news that
Arthur & Jack Knight were
killed in the 1st July
battle. (it still the same
old Dunsfold.) Wednesday had
a look around Barnes Green
& in the evening Mr Lodge
& I drove to Epsom. The
weather has been lovely ever
since we landed in England
& everything is looking lovely.
heard the explosions from
the raiding Zepps. in the
evening. Thursday went into
Barnes Green morning &
left for Aylesbury in the
afternoon arriving in camp
about 1 a.m. Friday morning
heard all was in frame Friday
from Fred Fisher.

Friday. washing parade
morning lectured. Ball
drill in the afternoon.
Saturday to 6 ton fatigue
work putting up Inaugural
holiday afternoon went in
to Amesbury for my watch.
but did not get it. Sunday
Church Parade morning, writing
letters afternoon went to Y M C A
Lark Hill evening. Monday dull
all day all sorts of stuff.
Tuesday still going strong with
drill (saw aeroplane land
yesterday the first I've seen
land, aeroplane here are an
everyday sight) Wednesday
Boy drill & Bayonet practice
Thursday Boy & Platoon drill &
lecture morning. ~~But~~ Friday
Ball drill & lecture morning
Route march through Amesbury
Bulford Durrington & back
to camp. went into Amesbury
in the evening. Saturday
jerks early parade & washing
parade after. I had week
and leave. marched in to

Amesbury, went to Waterloo from
there to Euston, from there to
Bletchley, & from there cycled
to Aspley Heath Woburn, and
Walter Thomas arrived about an
hour after I did. Sunday
Miss Pennington, Walter & I went
to Communion Service & in
the afternoon I cycled
back to Bletchley. saw the
wreckage of the train collision
at Bletchley. caught the 4.9 P.
train to Euston, took tube to
Waterloo. leaving there 7.5 P.
arriving in camp at lights
out 10.15. Monday. Showery
all day. we had musketry
practice in the hut all day
& lectures on musketry. we
were on it until nine P.m.
Tuesday No. 6 Platoon were on
target marking at C & D
range all day. we had a
good day. arrived back about
6 P.m. so did not have to
go out after tea. Wednesday
Musketry practice early morning &
triangle test & shooting five rounds.

on miniature range but I got a
possible. afternoon lectures &
judging distances till nine
Thursday I was on 2nd M. S. fatigue
washing up B. Co's dishes & plates
showed weather. Friday marched
over to the trenches & back
then had lecture on trenches &
in the afternoon lectures on Gas
attacks & outpost work & bayonet
practice for an hour. Saturday
Batt. drill one hour then washing
parade. holiday afternoon writing
letters afternoon & evening (Rally)
Sunday Church parade morning then
the afternoon I went to Farge Hospital
in Killestone to see Reggie Ames
writing letters evening. Received order
to have everything packed up ready
to leave at a minute's notice, on fatigue
work until one o'clock Monday morning
up at 5.30. the 37th were nearly
all on the rifle range all day.
Tuesday we were out on the rifle
range until 3.30 when orders came
to move in & get ready to move
off. we packed our things & moved
off at 5.30. we marched round

in about a mile square. ^{by the} ~~we~~ ^{Brigadier} were
then inspected, ^{it} ~~was~~ ^{dismissed}, it
was done to see how quickly we
could do it. we all thought we
were moving for good but were
disappointed. Wednesday were on
the rifle range till midday
then returned to camp & were
inoculated in the afternoon
Thursday we were in our huts
all day as our arms were too
sore to work. went into Tigheldeen
& saw the village smithy under
the spreading chestnut tree
Friday Baff went on a route
march, but several of us were
left in camp as our arms were
too sore. mine is still very
swollen. went to Maple leaf
Cinema in the evening. Saturday
Rivellie 5 a.m. out on the rifle
range till 2.30. did washing
in the afternoon. writing in
the evening. Sunday stayed
in all day. Showery all day.
Monday, we were digging
trenches in the morning
& using entrenching tools &

We dug ourselves in Tuesday
* we were working in the
trenches morning returned to
camp after dinner & dried
our clothes, raining all day.
Wednesday the Batt. went
for a route march through
Amesbury, Grately, & on to Wallop
we billeted at Nether Wallop
(Hay down Farm) we had a
good barn to sleep in, its
about sixteen miles the way
we went. Thursday we returned
to camp coming back through
Bullford. full marching order
fine both days. (forty five
men from each Coy. were picked
out for Rfts. yesterday.) saw
one old building in Nether
Wallop marked for date ~~18 Dec~~
M. DCCCXLI & we passed an
old Roman embattlement said
to have been made 54. B.C
its near Grately ^{ply} station.
Friday bayonet fighting in
the morning. hand digging
afternoon. Saturday. Washing
Parade till 10.30 then No 6 were

digging a drain in the 39
clouds. went to the Rft's camp
at Rolleston in the afternoon
Sunday several of us were ~~inoculated~~
inoculated in the morning.
all to 6. I went to bed in
afternoon with influenza. Monday
the Batt went out on a march
several with bad arms stayed
behind. I was in bed all
day. Tuesday Batt still away
I went on sick parade & am
excused from duty but am
feeling much better. my knee
gone crook swelled up Wednesday
Batt returned 3 a.m. I went on
sick parade with knee got
painted, stayed in hut all
day. Thursday stayed in hut
all. Friday stayed in all
day. Saturday & Sunday
stayed in hut all day.
knee better today. Monday
light duties all day. Tuesday
Patoon & close order drill
all day. inspection by Lord
Trench I saw him quite
close. lecture in the

evening by Colonel Unsworth
Salvation Army. Wednesday
tactical operations round Stone
Henge all day. Thursday. I
was on fatigue work in the
morning, holiday afternoon for
Brigade sports. The 37th Batt
gaining 44 points against
the rest but 24 points. Friday
we attacked the 39th Batt
in woods around Stone Henge
& of course beat them. Sat
I was but orderly morning. had
weekend leave. Went to Southampton
in the afternoon to see Walter Thomas
had a look round the Town in
the evening. Sunday went to
Portsmouth by boat. it was
a bonza trip. saw several
water planes flying & one
rise up from the water, saw
the & the Victory. &
heaps of troop ships. arrived
at Mabel's place about eleven
& left at four, saw two
transports leave with troops
on the return trip. left
Southampton for camp at eight

arriving in camp about one Monday
morning. Monday bayonet fighting.
Tuesday I was on Officers mess.
The worst days work I've had since
we arrived. Wednesday Batt, & Coy
drill morning. Brigade Review at
Stone Henge afternoon. Divisional
Commander said it was the best
from faults he had ever seen.
Thursday went for a stunt
round by Lake P.O. through
middle Woodford & round by
Stone Henge attacking the 38th
& 40th Batt's of course 37 & 39th
won. saw aeroplane loop the
loop yesterday the first I've
seen. Friday went out to Beech
Farm. through Ketheravon, went
for field practice, we passed
the flying school & saw numerous
aeroplanes. Saturday went to the rifle
range until 2 P.M. washing & letter
writing rest of day. Sunday Church Parade
morning. went to Fargo Hospital
to see Charlie Moore. Monday
some stunt in the morning
marching order inspection afternoon.
Tuesday, the Third Division
marched out to Bulford for

a rehearsal of the inspection by
the King. Wednesday we, the
third Division was inspected by
the King at Bulford it took
in horse & a quarter for the
artillery & troops to march past
the saluting base an aeroplane
looped the loop just above us. A &
D Coy got 98 per cent for their
marching Thursday went on a stunt
through Shrewton & Orcheston. &
out to the 10th Brigade trenches
Friday went on a stunt past
Stoke Wenge & round on to
the Salisbury road & on to
the back of Woodford. saw
scores of Chares. it rained so
we had to come back Sat.
Divisional sports all day. no work
Sunday went to Kolespore camp
to find G. Brison but he had
left for Godford. Monday we
went into the trenches near Orcheston
raining nearly all day we got wet
through & Whings were not too good
we slept in a barn that night
went into the trenches 6.30 p.m.
morning fine weather but dull. Wed
dry clothes morning in trenches

afternoon returned to camp 4:30
all blankets wet through the
inspection morning. spent near
stone henge afternoon. the bee
we've had. Friday scotch mud all
day bomb throwing in the morning
lecture in huts. Physical guru
afternoon. Saturday was on books
fatigue all day. Sunday Church
Parade morning. writing letters
afternoon. Monday was picked
out for a sniper. as am going
through a snipers school.
Tuesday went for four days
leave went to Frinton on sea
Wednesday went to Walton
in the morning. Clacton
the afternoon Thursday went
to Frinton. Suffolk. Friday
returned to London went to
see Chattie. Bill & Harry
Blake. I had a real good
time & got a good collection
of post cards of different
places. returned to camp
Friday night late. Sat
sniper's school morning
writing letters afternoon

Sunday Church Parade morning
writing letters. George Brown
came over from Coldford to
see me in afternoon finished
my budget of letters in evening
Monday scripping at figures on
the miniature range to practicing
rapid loading. Tuesday the 31st
Ratt went to the trenches near
Bustard Hotel for four days.
raining all day for us
when we go for a stunt
but did not get wet through
this time we arrived at our
billets opposite the Hotel
at 1:30 had dinner & then
went to bed got up for
tea went to bed again &
slept until 6 a.m. that's the
longest & best sleep I've had
for months. Wednesday bayonet &
squad drill morning trench
digging in the afternoon
night alarm we were called
up at two Thursday morning
marched up to the trenches
waited while the leaders
had a confab. & were

marched back to our billets &
they call that a stunt.

Thursday nothing much doing
we were marched up to the
trenches just before dinner
with picks & shovels waited
while the Sergeant found
out that we were not
wanted at all were then
marched back some more good
management. we all moved
into the trenches in the
evening at 7.30. & to 5.06.
Platoon were left on sentry
go from 8 P.M. until 4 a.m.
It was a very cold night
we were glad when it was
time for us to go off we
had to stand to again
at daybreak & then retired
to our dugouts. Herbert & I
found a good one & went
to sleep. we had to
stand to again at 9.30
until 10. then we were free
until twelve. returned to
camp during the afternoon.

Saturday washing, parade & cleaning out hut. morning went into Incebury afternoon & bought Trade cards. Sunday Church parade morning writing letters afternoon. Monday we are to do a twelve day course of training & are to learn a little of all specialists jobs. bayonet fighting & judging distance & visual training Tuesday. Lectures all day on Runners & Scouts duties & the use of Prismatic compass & telescope & how to write out messages when out scouting & convoying signs on field sketcher Wednesday. bayonet fighting & lectures on different subjects Thursday. judging distance & picking up figures by sound, rapid loading, blindfold loading, fastest being thirty pounds in forty seven seconds getting them out of the

pouch each time. use of
cover & assimilation. morning
afternoon learning about
the Lewis gun & how to
load the magazines. Friday
same as yesterday only
working in the huts as
it was too wet outside.
Saturday washing parade
morning went up to Y.M.C.A.
afternoon & writing letters.
Sunday Church parade
in our dining room too
wet for outside & writing
letters home for Xmas
sent Xmas cards home
this week. Monday we
were doing all sorts of
odd work & a mixture of
everything. Tuesday night
half of B. Coy went out
to Pollicott's range morning
fired ten rounds with
the Lewis Gun I was
in it. was good oh.
& in afternoon I was on
Officer's mess. Wednesday

was on Officer's mess. I was
still on Officer's mess fatigue
worst job in the camp
Friday I went to collection
range & fired ten shots
with the Gas helmet on
in morning & afternoon we
went out to stone henge
& threw a live grenade
It was a real mud walk
Saturday we went out to
the Bastard trenches about
five miles from our camp
& dug trenches all day
Sunday Church parade
in Mess hut & Communion
service several of us stayed
to it. Monday morning I
went on Deptal parade &
had one tooth filled &
in the afternoon was
throwing dummy bombs &
had a lecture on bombs.
Tuesday we went out to the
Bastard trenches early
for a big stunt a lot
of the Meads from the

War Office were there the
aeroplanes & artillery were
out with us. It was some
short arrived back in
camp at 2.30. I had the
rest of the afternoon off
to dry our things & get
ready for the inspection
tomorrow. Wednesday we
were marched out with
all our things we have
to take to the front &
were inspected by the
Brigadier. We were issued
with our new rifles &
bayonet the only one we take
to the front mine is
No 6357 mark (111*)
three star Lee enfield
magazine rifle. Thursday
morning I went on dental
parade & had another
tooth filled & in the
afternoon we were doing
Platoon drill. Friday
all the ones that were
out at the bucket

benches. Saturday & Tuesday
had the day off. I did
my washing & writing
letters in morning & in
the afternoon three of
us went for a walk
through Durrington, Bulford
& Amesbury a nice little
walk. Saturday washing
parade & Webb equipment
inspection morning & in
the afternoon Herbert & I
went to Killestone camp
to see if Jim had arrived
but drew blank. Sunday
mobilisation parade after
Church parade writing
letters afternoon. Monday
the whole of the Third
Division went for a fifteen
mile route march through
Amesbury past Stone Henge
through Winterbourne Stoke,
Shrewton, Killestone & Lark
Hill & home. we had
all the things that we
are taking to the front
was glad to get back.

Tuesday 14/11/16
bayonet fighting in morning
Platoon drill & lecture on
things we have to do at the
front (in afternoon) Wednesday
drilling on Gas Helmets morning
& put back with snipers
again afternoon lecture on
sniper duties Thursday
lecture of telescope & telescopic
sights, & conventional signs
used in field sketches
Friday we were using the
telescope to pick up
hidden men, & sketch
drawing. The first snow
fell in the evening
Saturday washing parade
& inspection morning
went up to the Y M C A
in afternoon & wrote
letter when I got back.

Sunday the snipers went
out to the range to fire
our sniper's practice, but
could not fire it, so
were put on fatigue
work out there all day.
The ground is all covered
with snow about two
inches deep. Monday
fixing our packs up in
morning for inspection
& ready for moving out
nothing doing afternoon.
Tuesday medically examined
morning & light fatigue
~~in afternoon~~, taking bed
boards, tables & forms
into the mess huts. &
general parade afternoon.
We were allotted to the
train we are to go by
tomorrow I am on No 2

rain. There are going
altogether for the 37th Batt.
Wednesday everything packed
up. I had scrubbed out
all ready for leaving.
Left camp about 11:30 A.M.
I arrived at Southampton
about 3 P.M. Left Southampton
about 8 P.M. I arrived Le
Havre about 4 A.M. we
came over in three
different lots. ^{Thursday} Left Havre
about 12 noon I arrived
at No 1 Camp about
2:30 P.M. a distance
of about five miles.
It was some march
with our full kit
up. Left No 1 camp at
7:30 A.M. Friday, marched
to a Rly. Sta. in Havre
I embarked at 11:30 A.M.

I arrived at Bailleul
at 5 P M. Saturday
Stations we passed on
the way. Harfleur (Breant,
Beaumont) Yvetot, Malaucy,
Rouen, St Martin De Vieux,
(Breant -) Morigny,
Abancourt, Royelles, Rue,
Quend Fort Mahon (Bonchil
Le Temple) (Rang-Du-
Fliers - Verton) Saint Josse,
Staples, Pont-de-Bruges,
Terlingthun, Le-Haut-Bang,
Caffers, Guineas, Calais,
Les Attaques, Andruigo,
St Omer, Bailleul, so
left Bailleul, I rode in
motor transports to Hazelle
I billeted there. Sunday
sorted our packs out &
put in Platoons in billets
Monday. cleaned rifles

• equipment checked.
Auchalion mail given
out. Tuesday we moved
out passed through
Baillul, & Rieffe &
arrived at Armentieres about
3:30 P.M. & billeted in
buildings nearly all the
windows in Rieffe &
Armentieres are broken &
a lot of the buildings
are knocked about.

Wednesday did fatigue
work went through part
of the town there's hardly
a whole window in the
place. some of our
boys went into the
trenches this morning.
Thursday five & six platoons
went into the trenches
five into the first five

line I ran into the
the supports, some of
our Platoon I was one
went into the first
line trench in the
evening I did sentry
work. Things very quiet
Friday no one moved
into no St. Pierre front
line on duty all day
I all night sentry duty
one hour on two off.
Things still quiet. Sat
morning after breakfast
I paraded to the Doctor
with a crook foot
septic poison, caused
through having a small
gun boot. Went to
Manentes I had it
bandaged up & then
on to Bailloul a

distance of about eight
miles, it was a treat to
get a wash again. ~~Saturday~~
* ~~Sunday~~ in hospital
writing letters & having
good sleep. This was
P. M. Monday in hospital
~~Monday~~ Tuesday was moved
from Baillet hospital
to Bologne No 8 Stationary
Hospital. Wednesday in
bed all day Thursday
still in bed. Friday still
in bed foot much better
Saturday still in bed
Sunday still in bed.
* Monday still in bed
Tuesday allowed up. Wednesday
went out of 7. Ward into
Convalescent Section into
2. Ward. Thursday moved
to No 1 Convalescent Camp

near Boulogne, went into
Boulogne in the afternoon
Friday moved over to Base
Details camp, went into
Boulogne in the evening
& got paid (forty francs)
Saturday on fatigue all
day, down at the Quay
at Base Detail Food
Stores, Sunday on fatigue
all day, down at the Quay
at Base Post Office
carrying bags of parcels,
Monday on fatigue at Base
Shoemaking Depot in town
Tuesday left Base Detail
Camp for Base at Epaves
Wednesday examined by Dr
in morning & issued with
Webb equipment afternoon
Thursday no parade raining
on Cooks fatigue afternoon

words. Thursday moved our
cook house down to
Vancouver. Friday, more
settled & comfortable in
our new trench. Saturday
in Vancouver. Sunday, I
moved out of trench
into billets near half
past eleven square. Monday
still in billets. Tuesday
still in billets. pag day
bought cushion cover &
scarf. out on fatigue
at 12 P.M. to Bon.
Wednesday in billets morning
went for a bath afternoon
Thursday we moved from
half past eleven square
to a rest camp at
Greenwich. Friday fixing
up our quarters
Saturday evening.

But I went into
Armentiers with the
transports I brought
out a cooking stove &
coal. Sunday in billets
all day. Monday in
billets all day. Tuesday
in billets all day. Wednesday
I was on fatigue in
Steenwerck, emptying coal
trucks. Thursday in billets
all day. Friday in billets
all day moved into the
trenches in the evening
into subsidiary line track
67 between Cowgate
Avenue & Wine Avenue.
Saturday fixing up beds
Sunday took Capt Heberle's
Valise out to the dump
in the evening. Capt
went to the hospital

Monday moved out of the
trenches to Batt West Dardas
billeted near there Tuesday
an billets morning went
into Armentieres in afternoon
Wednesday an billeted all
day moved into the
trenches in the evening
into front line on the
right of A Gap & left
of Park locality Thursday
in front line Friday
front line Saturday
morning went on sick
parade with mumps. went
out of trenches to clearing
station slept there that
night. Sunday moved to
No 7 General Hospital
• near St Omer Monday in
bed all day Tuesday in
bed all day feeling better

wrote letters in afternoon.
Wednesday bed all day
feeling crook. Thursday
still feeling crook. Friday
still crook. Saturday feeling
better started eating
again. Sunday feeling
better. Monday still
improving. Tuesday still
improving. Wednesday still
improving. Thursday allowed
out of bed. Friday reading
all day not feeling too
good lovely headache all
day. Saturday reading all
day. Sunday reading &
writing all day. Monday
reading & playing cards all
day. Tuesday reading &
writing letters all day.
Wednesday reading & writing
all day. Thursday reading

& playing cards all day
Friday reading & playing
cards all day Saturday
left for General Hospital
marched into St Omer
stayed there for a few
hours marched to the
Station & embarked
for Hazebrouck stayed
there that night Sunday
left Hazebrouck for
Steenwerck & went to
reinforcement camp for
three days. Monday on
fatigue at rail head had
an easy time Tuesday on
sanitary fatigue had
another easy day Wednesday
left Steenwerck for
Argenteries arriving there
about noon, went into
town in afternoon & got

my letters. was glad to
get the home news again
Thursday on fatigue in
the trenches on the left of
death alley went into Town
in the evening with Herbert.
all the other boys returned &
we were reformed again Friday
I was picked out to go with
others on railway construction
left Armentieres at 9.30 & arrived
at West Cappel at 12.45
we were billeted at a farm
house in a loft nice &
comfy plenty of straw
to sleep on. So went into
the village in the evening
Saturday at work on
the railway line the
hardest I have worked
since I joined the Army
went into the village

in the evening, Sunday
Parade at 10.15 night &
equipment inspected
writing letters in the
afternoon. went into the
village in the evening.
Monday working on the
railway the second days
work since being in the
army. writing letters in
evening. Tuesday working on
railway digging drain with chain
hoists getting used to work again
Wednesday still on the drain
finished it. Thursday levelling
the ground for the sand. Friday
not feeling well went on sick
parade went opt to railway but
could not work was sent over to
a house where they sell coffee
& was told to stop there for a
while so stopped till knock

off time. got a collection of Belgian
coins there. Saturday excused
duty Sunday unloading sand
train in morning & went down
in train to Poperinghe for
a bath arrived back at
billet at 3.30. went to bed
early feeling better but not
too well. Monday well again
laying out railway rails
Tuesday laying soft rails
Wednesday loading rails &
sleepers & unloading them
Thursday keying up rails
Friday straightening the
line after it had been keyed
up Saturday same as yesterday
Sunday straightening rails
in morning & writing letters
in afternoon. Monday on the
rails Tuesday left West
Bappel midday & returned to

Steenwerck by Motor Ferry.
arriving at Billets at 7.30 P.M.
Wednesday left Steenwerck
for Luchmes a distance of
about thirty sea miles a
three days march. we passed
through Renesseure. Campange,
I left Omer & arrived at
our destination Friday
afternoon & were billeted
about five miles from St.
Omer. Saturday Physical Drill
morning & a little route
march. & in the afternoon we
went for another little march.
Sunday Church Parade for
all the Tenth Brigade the
first time we had all been
together for a long time. &
in the afternoon we had
a kit inspection. Monday
we were split into parties

for training in different
works I am in the Lewis
Gunn Section Tuesday learning
the Lewis Gun Wednesday
went into St Omers for a
bath had four hours leave
in the town & had a good
look round Thursday went
to had my boots solid
& heeled Friday learning
a new drill advancing in
waves Saturday went
into St Omers for a bath
& had the afternoon &
evening off until 8.30 P.M.
went to the pictures in
the evening at the Lord
Roberts Soldiers club
Sunday Church parade
in morning drill in
afternoon Monday Brigade
drill demonstrating open

warfare. Tuesday during
the night we had a blizzard
① this morning on some of
the roads up the cutting
the snow is anything from
two to six feet deep the
trees & the country looks very
pretty but its no fun to
soldiers. we went out on
parade but returned to
bills, had a snow fight
in the afternoon. A Coy
raided us but we were
too good for them & they
got the worst of it.
Wednesday out on the same
chunt as Monday it is
very sloppy everywhere.
Thursday the 37th to 68th Battalions
left their bills to march
back to Armentieres a
distance of forty one miles.

we did it in his days in
full marching order without
blankets. the transports carried
those. No 6 Lewis gun team
started with the others but our
cart broke down just after we
left the billets so we returned
and then went on with the transports
to where the rest was billeted
for the night. Friday finished
the march arriving at Armentieres
at eight o'clock in the evening
its the stiffest day I've ever put
in. Saturday had the day off
to get over our march. Sunday
Church parade morning in
billets. got new Tunic in afternoon.
Monday low fatigue in the trenches
building dugouts for machine gunners.
Tuesday went on dental parade
to get a tooth filled but there
were too many there & in the

afternoon had lectures on Patrols &
first aid. Wednesday went on dental
parade morning & had tooth cleared
out & stuff put in to kill nerve
& in afternoon went down to R.E.
dump was detailed to go in
trenches on fatigue that night
but was cancelled. Thursday dental
parade again ~~Friday~~ morning
& went for a bath after
dinner. Friday lectures on
strong points & first aid
morning & making wire
entanglements afternoon.
Saturday stayed in & filled
magazines for Lewis gun
morning & dental parade
afternoon. Sunday Church
parade morning. Took packs
to 2. M. stores & got ready
to go in trenches went into
trenches in the evening into

front line on the left of No
4 locality. Monday the rest
of the Watt came into hands
Tuesday slight chafe in afternoon
Wednesday nothing doing Thursday
very quiet. Friday nothing much
doing Saturday quiet Sunday
stayed at midnight but Fritz
did not come over. Monday
very quiet Tuesday fairly
quiet. Wednesday quiet
we came out of the trenches
at 6.30 P.M. we were in
the front line all the time
Thursday in billets in
Ammeries all day.
Friday in billets all day
left there at midnight
for Plug street. went into
a big underground dug
out that holds over a
thousand men not far off

the front line Saturday on
fatigue from 2 P.M. to 8 P.M.
Sunday on fatigue Monday
on Dental parade. Tuesday
night carrying empty gas
cylinder from the front
line. Tuesday sorting ~~ammunition~~
ammunition in the catacombs
in Stevenson St. saw one
of Fritz's aeroplanes driven
down & one brought down
on fire the first air
fight I have seen, the plane
must have been a new one
out as have not seen any of
his kind before. Wednesday
sorting ammunition morning
on dental parade afternoon
to Ponte eschelle had one
tooth filled Thursday spent
to Ponte Kieffe for a bath
in morning left off working

singlets) I stopped in on gun
afternoon. Friday stayed in all
day No. 6. rest platoon for the
day. Saturday on fatigue
in Ash trench. Sunday on
fatigue in Ash trench. Monday
went to Pont de Nieppe for
a bath had little visitors
in underclothes. Tuesday night
on fatigue from 9 P.M. to 3 A.M.
Wednesday night on fatigue.
Thursday went to Pont de Nieppe
for a pair of boots gave my
first issue pair in they had
over fourteen months very active
service. stayed in on gun at night
Friday night on fatigue in ash
trench Saturday night on fatigue
in ash trench. Sunday we
moved into the wood. Three of
the gun team went into the
front line. Monday on fatigue in
Subsidiary lines the rest of team

went into front line. Tuesday
artillery lively all day. Wednesday
artillery & French mortars lively
Thursday artillery & French mortars
lively. Friday artillery & French
mortars lively. Saturday lively
all day. Sunday lively. Monday
lively all day & a good few whizz
bangs flying about at night. Tuesday
No 6 Lewis gun team relieved No 5
quiet all night. Wednesday fairly
quiet. Thursday we were relieved
& rejoined our Bats at Regina Camp
Friday on fatigue in only way in
the morning & went to Pont-de-
Neppe for a bath in the afternoon
watched the big guns firing
in the evening. saw 2
aeroplanes brought down & 2
one on fire & one fell straight
down. I saw two more brought
down today. one came just
over our heads in only way

I landed just behind subsidiary
lines. Saturday stayed at home
all day with sore heels saw one of
Fritz's planes brought down slowly
into his lines. Sunday had a
gas alarm early in the morning
but no gas came over where we
were Monday on fatigue in Ash
trench. artillery lively all day.
Tuesday stayed in all day. Wednesday
on fatigue in Ash trench at night
rather lively with whizzies. Thursday
moved from Regina camp to Gofford
lines on fatigue were to go in Ash
trench but Fritz was too lively &
could not get near the work saw
Fritz's aeroplane bring down one of
our kite balloons. Friday on fatigue
at night in Ash trench. Saturday
stayed in all day. Sunday had a
parade morning. drilling afternoon.
on fatigue in Ash trench at
night artillery lively Monday.

Drillon walked home in Gas
(shell gas) lively time. Monday
drilling afternoon & evening Tuesday
drilling morning lecture afternoon
& went to see model trenches
we have to take. Wednesday
went to Port-de-Franch on
morning for a bath getting things
ready for the Push in the afternoon
marched to the Subsidiary line
through Ash trench arriving there
at ten minutes past three
just as our barrage started
& the mines went up how
the ground did shake, the
noise was awful (we had
to walk through shell gas
from our billets to the trenches)
it was awful with our
load up, then at 10:25 on
Thursday morning B. Coy went
over the top, went as far as
the black line stayed there

for a time then went up to
the green line, I had to
retire from there about 9 P.M.
owing to the artillery shortening
its range. stayed on the black
line that night & all day
Friday we had a very rough
time in the afternoon & evening
then we were moved to the
green line again about mid-
night (green line = front line) &
things were a bit quieter than
& we were relieved about
10 A.M. Saturday, relieved in
body & mind I got to our
old billets about midday I
never thought a man could go
through all we did & then
come out smiling but we did
went to bed about 2 P.M. &
got up about 8.30 A.M. Sunday
what a lovely sleep
went to Church Parade & Holy



Common morning, D. cleaned
her gun & ammunition in
afternoon sent some little
souvenirs home I collected off
Laird in the evening Tuesday
loading & cleaning magazines
& writing letters Tuesday to
C. Platoon put on fatigue to a
snatch powder battery near
Regina camp, unloading shells
during the night Wednesday
moving empty cases in the morning
Thursday carrying shells & cases
Friday carrying cartidges morning
returned to Batt in evening
Saturday in camp all day
Sunday Church parade morning
muster parade afternoon
letters evening Monday left
billets for Regina camp.
Tuesday in billets all day
Annie mail in got chafed out
of the huts in the evening so

slept out in trencher camp. Wednesday
Lewis gun school in afternoon, went
on fatigue at night but could
get no further than the catacombs.
Fritz was chaffing our job. Thursday
Lewis gun school in the afternoon.
Friday Lewis gun school. Saturday
we left Regina camp in the morning.
(Fritz put down two of our balloons just
at the back of where we were camped.)
on Tuesday & on Monday saw an
aeroplane brought down. Fritz
brought down three of our balloons
today & saw one of Fritz's aeroplane
brought down all near where we
are camped.) I camped at - home
at night Sunday left -
& went into camp.
Church parade in the afternoon.
Fritz brought down another
balloon. Monday Gas drill &
bomb throwing morning & went
for a bath in the afternoon.

writing letters ^{home} the evening
was for the same things all
the week a little of each
kind every day. went to three
concerts & one picture show
during the week all, very good
Saturday afternoon off. but I
was raining so could not go out
Sunday. Church parade & kit
inspection morning, & drill
per usual in afternoon, saw
two of our balloons brought
down during the week & one
of Fritz's. Monday, Tuesday & Wed.
drill of all kinds each day
Thursday on Lewis gun morning
& Battalion sports in afternoon
Friday was an B Coy Platoon
to see which was the best
all round Platoon per Coy in
the Batt. B Coy winning.
continuation of sports afternoon
Saturday. B Coy Platoon to go in

for to see which is best
platoon in Brigade the winner
one from each Batt to compete
getting things cleaned up a bit
all day & going through drill
Sunday, drilling & getting things
ready for show. Monday going
through different sources all day
to see which was the best platoon
in the Brigade. The 4th Battⁿ
were the winners B Coy 37th coming
second. Tuesday sports, Brigade
all day the 37th were easily
winners & tied with the B & C
for individual championships.
The sports were good & ended
in the evening. Wednesday dull
and the morning & getting ready to
go into trenches in afternoon.
Friday brought down three of our
P. balloons left for trenches.
At 10 P.M. went into trenches
on night of Messines for nine

Days I did fatigue work at night, no support trenches. Friday night went back into old N. L. subsidiary line a rear home to the last place there for another nine days doing fatigue in early morning near old black line (rear supports) & the last three days on the left of Treviser. Monday left Batt to go through lines - man school at Southford two between fifteen inch howitzer & railway line. saw the fifteen inch gun fire two shots in the evening, were quite close to it & could see the shell in the air for quite a long time. Tuesday very heavy bombardment on our left early morning. Learning how to join units or called & the different kinds. Wednesday with nothing doing

Thursday winding cables onto
drums Friday & Saturday came
as yesterday. Sunday went up
to old front line to mend
broken cables & filled in large
shell hole Monday went on
Treccas ridge with Engineers to
mend cables just started to work
when Fritz started to bombard
with big H.C.S. chased two
of us fall along the ridge got
out off from acct of party &
had to come home round by the
left miles out of our track
we struck two of the mine
craters on our havers big
beauties Tuesday went back
to same job had nearly finished
when Fritz started shelling
again & had to leave it. Wednesday
nothing doing Thursday left D.M.
or Southford Farm & went the
other side of Divisional H.Q.

near Bailleul went into Town
at night. Friday putting up a hut.
Saturday working on hut morning.
I went to where the Bats were
camped ⁱⁿ afternoon & into Town in
evening. Sunday working on hut.
Monday learning to join lead
cables & solder them up. Tuesday
learning Morse Code. Wednesday
laying cables & testing them at
small points. Thursday putting
up stage for Co-ee's. Friday
taking down stage & testing
cables. Saturday testing cables &
went for a bath in the afternoon.
Sunday making bed & writing letters.
Monday washing cable waggon &
limbers for inspection. Tuesday
morning washing limbers afternoon.
The Div. Sig. Coy. left for
Tanguembergue & we went up to
Div. Headquarters for the night.
Wednesday left D. H. Q. & marched

to Steenwerck Station with full
pack blanket & all, entrained
for Wierne. marched from there
to Chateau near Tanguinbergue.
Thursday cleaning up near Chateau
morning & marched to Tanguinbergue
in afternoon to billets in the
town. Friday cleaning harness
in fore lines. Saturday same
as yesterday Sunday cleaning
up lines morning & washing
letters afternoon. Monday line men
school started again. Lasting until
Saturday. went up before Major Nelson
on Friday & was fined one days pay for
not taking a sheaf of what to sleep
on. got a new pair of riding boots.
Friday. Saturday returned to the Barr.
in the morning & scrubbed equipment
in the afternoon. Sunday Church
parade morning & cleaning equip-
ment afternoon. Monday tactical
exercises morning & taking Lewis gun

Shuff over to transport line afternoon
Tuesday twelve miles route march
marching order. feeling very crook
but finished got blister on heel
Wednesday light duties morning
holiday afternoon Thursday light duties
Friday light duties Saturday washing
parade morning holiday afternoon Sunday
Church parade morning writing letters
afternoon Monday Battalion drill morning
Lewis gun drill afternoon Tuesday Brigade
route march sixteen miles marching
order, Wednesday Lewis gun drill morning
holiday afternoon Thursday a little of
all sorts. Friday sick parade no
duties. Saturday washing parade morning
holiday afternoon Sunday went to St
Pons to meet Jim but he had left
for the line during the week Monday
Platoon drill morning a little of all
sorts afternoon Tuesday went to
Tardingham on the coast by
motor bus all the day.

Wednesday returned to Bleguin
Thursday Brigade stunt. Friday
several parade had a tooth cut
down. Saturday inspection by Sir
Douglas Haig. Sunday Church parade
morning watched football game
between 37th & 10th F.A. 37th won
Monday. Batt. stunt all day. Tuesday
left Bleguin in the afternoon
for Winnipeg arrived at March Laid
Lievon. That night left next
morning & arrived at Blaringhem
That night left next morning &
arrived at Saint Sylvestre Capier
That night left next morning &
arrived at Winnipeg at midday
had inspection afternoon Saturday
cleaning Lewis Gun & magazines
all day. Sunday Church parade
morning. Gas lecture afternoon Monday
rehearsal of stunt morning. A Coy &
half of B. Coy left Winnipeg to go
on fatigue near the trenches in front.

of Ypres. went by motor transport &
arrived at job about 11 P.M. started digging
a trench for cable. left at 4:30 A.M.
& walked back to billets. rejoined
the Battalion in the evening & we all slept
in the assembly paddock that night.
Wednesday moved up to jumping off
line Thursday morning 6 A.M. over we
went to no opposition. Friday drove our
hunting & carrying parties. Saturday
were relieved about 10 A.M. went back
to billets. Sunday resting all day
cleaning gun & magazine Monday.
Tuesday nothing doing. Wednesday
moving up to assembly paddock thunk
getting things ready for hop over. moved
up to jumping off line. Friday over the
top by thunk their objective but we
were held up by machine guns &
snipers owing to the R. 25 failing
to come up on our left. retired
at night to original line on
Zonnebeke ridge Saturday. four of us

four of us carried Capt. Shultz
out to the Ambulance a distance
of about four miles through mud
were knuckled up & could not
return to line so went on to camp
the rest were relieved at night
Sunday sicking all day, Monday
moved back through Pyle & got
into Motor transports & moved back
to Pleguin Tuesday sicking all day Wed-
nesday inspection morning shortage taken
holiday afternoon, Thursday inspection of
gas helmets, & a few little fatigues Friday
the batt marched into Devers for a
hot bath (the bath) Saturday washing park
morning, holiday afternoon writing letters
Sunday Church parade morning writing letters
afternoon, Monday I left Pleguin 5 A.M. to go
to Winnieville, went by train from Kieller
Pleguin & arrived destination 7 P.M. Tuesday
left Winnieville for Pleguin 6 A.M. & arrived
Pleguin 11 P.M. Wednesday nothing doing
Thursday on Lewis Gun drill Friday

on Lewis gun learning parts etc.
Saturday watching parade morning holiday
afternoon Sunday Church Parade morning
holiday afternoon Monday on Lewis Gun
Tuesday rest of week on Lewis Gun
Saturday watching parade & holiday
Sunday Church parade morning holiday
afternoon Monday went out to rifle
range, got two stripes from 13/10/17.
Tuesday no duties no duties
until Thursday, Thursday on
duty parade no duties Friday getting
ready to move up to the line Saturday
left Bleguin by motor transport & arrived
at near Roubecque Sunday left
there & marched to Dolindet near
Bailluel. Monday I was picked out to go
on escort to Boulogne left Bailluel
at 2.30 P.M. & arrived at Boulogne at
1.15 A.M. Tuesday in Boulogne all day
Wednesday in Boulogne Thursday left
Boulogne at 4.30 A.M. with prisoners
& arrived at Steenwerck at 11.30 A.M.

Miss Pennington
Lawrence Kella
Aspley, Guise
Bedd. England

Mr R Stockdale
Lardner
Via Haragul
& Gippeland

took prisoner into trenches near Batacomb
Friday went up into subsidiary line
Saturday an subsidiary line moved
up to front line that night & was
there until Wednesday night when
we were relieved, we went out into
supports an dugout in Hill 63 to a
place called Red Lodge. Thursday
bed all day. Friday went to Komarion
for a bath. Alf & Ted came over to
see me in afternoon & went out into
them to leave Gjlice & had a good
time Saturday on fatigue at night
in trenches Sunday went to see

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Saturday, cleaning up camp, morning
got Inas ends afternoon. Sunday
day pique in Godford. & writing
Monday went out to range
but did no firing, nothing doing
went to pictures evening. Tuesday
out to range. Wednesday Inas
nothing doing, miserable Inas,
in Godford pique in afternoon
to go at night. Thursday nothing doing
went to pictures at night. Friday
went out to range all day
nothing doing. Writing letters
Sunday went to Godford Station
so could know where to go when
I got leave. Monday transferred
to the Signaller in No 7 Camp

Tuesday nothing doing, Wednesday
getting ready for leave, Thursday
at last & that long looked for
leave, twelve days, left Colford
for Frinton on Sea.

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Tuesday Christmas Day. left Victoria
Station London for France and of Blythe
leave. arrived Calais midday had a
rough trip over. stayed in No 2 Red
Camp for the day. Wednesday left
Calais for Steenwerck at 8:30 AM
arrived Steenwerck at 7:30 P.M. went
to reinforcement camp for the night
& rejoined the Batt at Marquette
camp on Thursday. Friday was
orderly Corporal & again on Saturday
& Sunday lost my stripes on Sunday
to many N.C.O. in the Company.
Monday we moved into Bellet at
Heink Office. Tuesday on sick
parade L.D. ^{Wednesday} Thursday on Lewis
Gun drill morning clearing equipment

afternoon Thursday. Coy. C. Epl.
Friday on Lewis Gun drill Sat
on Lewis Gun drill Sunday on
Special Church Parade Monday
cleaning magazines & on that job
all the week. Sunday Church
Parade Monday & rest of week
on special Lewis Gun instruction
Sunday Church Parade morning
writing letters afternoon. Monday Lewis
Gun instruction & same Tues & Wed.
Thursday & Friday Saturday 20/1/8
Bath parade morning getting
ready to go in trenches afternoon.
Sunday moved into the trenches
supports near Laon gate were there
for four days then moved into front

line for four days. Had a very
quiet post "Vic." near La. Baccville
Monday night came out of trenches
& went into Catacombs. Tuesday
cleaning the Gun. Wednesday on
fatigue at night near C. H. Q. front
line. Fed came to see me
line. Thursday nothing doing Friday
on fatigue in Unwea Support
trench. watched Page go over to
Warner's Tower Saturday nothing
doing. Sunday on fatigue in Unwea
Supports Monday getting ready to
go in trenches again went up to
Dead Horse Corner at night. Tuesday
had to report back to Catacombs
to go to Brigade School went to
Force Lines at Romarin that night
Wednesday went to Brigade School

near Canteen corner on morning
holiday afternoon. Thursday in squad
drill without arms. Friday same
Saturday morning same; holiday
afternoon I went to Kemmel to see
Alf & Ted found them alright, Sunday
Church Parade morning, squad drill
afternoon with arms. all the week
on drill squad drill, Platoon drill
touchy etc. went out to Kemmel
Wed afternoon to see Alf & Ted, but
Alf was away at Gas School. saw Ted
they were going on line the following
night. Saturday went to the Post
at Red Lodge & saw the boys. Sunday
Church Parade morning. Platoon Drill
afternoon. following week on Coy &

Platoon drill, went to Div H. 2
to draw my money. Wed afternoon
returned to Batt. Sat afternoon
Sunday nothing doing, Monday Batt
left for Coulombie went by train
from Steenwerck to Lumbres
arrived at billets about 8 P.M.
Tuesday nothing doing. Wed went
to Brigade H. C. O. school at
Bayenhem. I stayed there until
the following Sunday week
returned to the Batt then
Monday drill. Tuesday went out
to Lumbres rifle range got wet
through. Wednesday nothing doing
morning, went to football match
afternoon to Senninghen.

between 37th & 40th the former
winning Thursday drill. Friday
morning drill afternoon full
marching order inspection ready
to move off the following day. Sat
left Boulomby for Ebblingham, went
by train from Lumbus. to. 9.
billed about five kilos from
Ebblingham. Sunday nothing doing
all day. Monday left — about
9.30 PM, marched to St Omer
entrained there. Tuesday debarked
at . . . got ready to go in
the line. walked all the afternoon
& evening finally stopping at
Lougen-court about 1 A.M. left
again at 4 A.M. Wednesday

walked a few Kilos & got on ^{the} ~~the~~ transports & went to Heilly took up a position on the hill through Heilly. Thursday still in the same place. Friday same place. Left Saturday 3 AM & went to Treva. ~~there~~ took up a position on the railway line. Sunday still in same place. Monday same place. Monday No 6 moved up to strong post on the bridge over canal. Tuesday same place. Wednesday same place. relieved at night & moved back to Merisourt Le Abbe. Thursday had a wash & shave the first for twelve days.

carrying rations up to A
by. Friday carrying rations
up to A. by. wrote letters
afternoon. Saturday cutting cutting
logs. moved up to relieve the 40th at night
Sunday in front line. Monday same
place. Tuesday same place, relieved
that night & moved back to Ribemont
Wednesday out at night digging trenches
Thursday in all day. Friday in
salvage work in Ribemont. moved
back to Heilly over of us, while
the B.A. is in line. Saturday drilling
morning, cleaning up afternoon. Sunday
went for a bath & Church parade
morning. writing letters afternoon
Monday & Tuesday drilling all day.

Wednesday drilling all day, Thursday
moved from Heilly to Transvilliers
Friday route march morning. Aussie
mail in. 14 letters ~~(sent)~~ on
guard Friday night till following night
Sunday Church parade morning on
guard again at night till following
night. Monday went down to Heilly
with three in morning. on water
fatigue from Tuesday till Saturday.
to Heilly two days & to Contay
rest of time. Sunday left Contay
to go to the trenches (supports.)
on Gas guard at night. Monday
moved up to front line at night.
Tuesday in trenches. ^{Safety} Wednesday night
went up to advanced front line &

Wednesday
day in (some trench?) Thursday to 6
Gunn team stayed in outposts all
day & returned to trench at night
Thursday
Friday in trench all day. saw Fritz
bring down one of our planes in flames
at back of our line, went out as guide
at night for working party. Friday
Saturday in trench
all day guide again at night. Sunday in
trench all day were relieved at night &
moved into trenches near Tress. Sunday
Monday in
trench all day. Gas guard at night. Tuesday
on Gas guard. Left at night to go to
Lewis Gunn School. at La. Tognet.
went to Franvillers that night
Tuesday. Left Franvillers by motor
transport & went to Billy Sur-
Somme stayed in there until

6 p.m. entertained & went to
Abbeville stayed there that night
entertained next morning at 9 a.m.
& went to Etaples, marched from
there to Gun School, La Voque.
Thursday instruction on Lewis
Gun. Friday same, Saturday same
morning, half holiday. Sunday has
house on Gun, then went to Church
& in afternoon went into Paris Plage
Monday on Gun, rest of week on Gun.
Tuesday on Gun morning & Church Parade
writing letters afternoon. Monday & Tuesday
on Gun. Wednesday morning examination
Thursday examination morning & Officer
left in afternoon went to rest camp
at Etaples. stayed there that night

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Left Staples Friday morning by train
went to St Leger. stayed there
that night. Saturday & Sunday in St
Leger. went through Gas Saturday. Church
parade Sunday. Monday left St Leger
morning & marched to Fleisselles stayed
there that night. Left Tuesday morning
marched to the camp where the
Bachelors Garrison is near Lamoignon. Wednesday
went up to B. near D. near B. Lamoignon. Thursday
went over to see Alf. Ted & George found
them all well. Friday on fatigue Villers Bretonneux
Saturday stayed in our Gun. Sunday stayed in
Gun. Monday got ready to go into trenches
went up at night in front of Villers
Bretonneux. stayed in front line until
following Monday night only 20 yds from trench.

moved back into trenches in wood, Tuesday
on Gas Guard. Wednesday & Thursday on
Gas Guard Friday on Fatigue in Villers
Bretonneux, Saturday Gas guard

Sunday went into trenches with
spiciblics. Monday Fritz raided the
Barr but come a cropper, we got
several prisoners & a M. Gun.

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday in
trenches, Saturday were relieved
moved back near Blangy Honn.

Sunday went for bath morning
on fatigue afternoon burying
cable. Monday stayed in on Gun
Tuesday on fatigue burying cable
Wednesday afternoon left Blangy
Ironville & moved to the wood

near Allonville. Thursday went for
bath in morning. George Person
came to see me in evening.
Friday moved from Allonville to
herches near La. Houssaye
Saturday instructing in Lewis
Gun. Sunday Church parade
morning at Dugrives ~~morning~~
Monday on Lewis Gun. Tuesday went
down to Bath sports at Dugrives. Wed
on Lewis Gun. Thursday came. Friday
Bath sports, took La. Houssaye in
the morning, cleaning Guns, afternoon
Saturday Brigade sports, but
stayed in on Gun. Sunday water
carnival, but stayed in on Gun
on Lewis Gun until Thursday. made 6 ft

from 1/7/18. Tuesday morning P. T. & B. F.
getting ready to go in line. Thursday
left La Housaye sector early &
marched to Douars. stayed there till
dark, then moved up to trenches in
front of Hamel relieved the D. F.
Friday & Saturday in trenches, relieved
before daylight Sunday. moved to back
of ridge & stayed till night. then
moved back near old front line. Monday
went for bath in the Lomere Tuesday
stayed in all day. Wednesday went
to Corbie for hot bath. Thursday on
fatigue at B. H. 2. ~~He~~ ^{he} went in front
line at night & came out again Friday
week. Saturday stayed in all day.
Sunday went for hot bath. Monday

a fatigue support trench at night
Tuesday, nothing doing. Wed & Thursday
orderly corporal. Friday night moved
to Pear trench in Reserve ^{Back in line} Saturday
stayed in all day. Sunday in all day out
at midnight on fatigue at B. H. 2 in
tunnel. Monday in all day Tuesday
carrying 3" mortars up to support trench
at night. Wednesday night, moved up to
bank in rear of support trench
ready if wanted for the attack. Thursday
puck started, we moved back to
pear trench & went carrying, moved
up to valley where Fritz's 5th & 9th battery
was in the evening. Friday same place
all day. Saturday, same place moved
up that night to do a flanking attack
but could not get through very lively

time with machine gun fire. Sunday
went back into support trenches &
stayed there all day moved up to front
line in front of Provart. Monday went
out on patrol with Sgt. Mc Elroy
& ten men to find Fritz, found him
beyond village ^(Provart) had a real lively
time red letter day for me, were
relieved that night & moved back
to valley in rear of 59 battery.
Tuesday went for a bath down
to Gully. Wednesday nothing doing
had a good sleep. Thursday Church Parade
morning had a sleep afternoon Friday
went down to the Somme for bath.
Saturday nothing doing writing letters Sunday
Church parade morning bath afternoon

Monday on Lewis Gun instruction. Tuesday
the same morning a bathing parade
afternoon on Lewis. Wednesday G.
instruction morning getting ready to move
moved at night the other side
of Sully to Lauretta Thursday nothing
doing Friday nothing doing getting ready
to move up to the front line, moved
up to line in front of Bray & Gay
went over with the 40 ^{cc} Bray & took
Bray. Saturday on ridge near Bray
heavy shelling all day by Trilze
nearly all Gas moved up at night &
took up position on railway in Bray
2:30 Sunday morning went over Trilze
shelling Bray with mustard Gas
It was a heavy shell as opposition

until we got our objective & then very
little, we got nearly a hundred prisoners
I took one batch of prisoners out
(33) ^{got Beckhoff's company} back towards Corbie, went to the
D. with sore eyes, due to Gas, was
sent back to horse lines, went out
that night & got lost in Bray
camped in a German dugout till
daylight. found horse lines near
Bray at Ettinghem. stayed there
that night, moved up the other
side of Bray next day. Wednesday
returned to Bratt in the morning
the other side of Suzanne, moved
back at night to German dugouts
near Suzanne. was told to get
ready to go Bligny. took tent

with myself all the way down
to Corbie. Thursday walked to Corbie
some walk, but it was for some
job, stayed in Corbie rest of day
getting ready to leave for Bligny (via
northern training Batt Forward) today
left Corbie 8:15 AM by train arrived
St. Boulogne 9:45 P.M. stayed at rest
camp that night. went down to the
Quay, next morning but could not get
on the boat it was full up so went
into Boulogne until 4 P.M. then went
on board the "Onward" had a
good trip over arrived at Head
Quarters about 10:30 P.M. got leave
until 9 A.M. Monday. stayed at
War Office that night went

but to Hackney to see Clarke
Sunday went back to War
Chief that night, slept in
until 10:30, reported I had to
catch the 3:15 from Waterloo
to Fovant (lost the Wilkeson
watch in morning at War Chief)
arrived Fovant 7 P.M. found
George Johnson, Bert Piggott &
Jim Cummings there so I was
set. Tuesday writing letters
most of day. Wednesday changing
equipment & ~~stay~~ getting fresh.
some of things Thursday nothing
doing. Friday came on but
Piggott all night. Saturday
writing letters on guard all night

my first drunken guard. Sunday
on guard (Bombing guard). Monday
nothing doing. Heard that Jim was in
Blighty, wounded but nothing serious.
Tuesday nothing doing. Wednesday same.
Thursday night on guard. Friday on
guard. Saturday nothing doing. Sunday
writing letters morning, went Blackburn in
afternoon in wood back of hut. Monday
nothing doing. Tuesday nothing doing. Wednesday
a parade morning with P.T. & P.F. &
on guard at night. Thursday on guard.
Friday on P.T. & P.F. Saturday morning
getting ready to go to a school. Sunday
stayed in all day. Monday left for Devonport
for twenty one days course P.T. & P.F.
went into Devonport in the evening.

Hippodrome

to the ~~pictures~~. Tuesday started
the source, stayed in at night
& wrote letters. Wednesday drilling
went into Devonport, evening to the
pictures. Thursday drilling. Into Devon
evening pictures. Friday drilling
went into Plymouth ~~afternoon~~ evening, went
to ^{Boeing hall} ~~concert~~. Saturday drilling morning
went into Plymouth afternoon went
to concert evening on the Pier
Sunday went into Plymouth afternoon
went to hear Band on Pier at
night. Monday drilling. went into
Devonport & round by Peverill
at night. Tuesday drilling town
at night. Wednesday drilling went
to pictures at night Devonport.

Thursday drilling went for a walk
round Devonport. Friday watching
the others drilling too stiff to
drill myself. wrote letters at night
Saturday drilling morning, scrubbing Gym
out afternoon, went to Hippodrome
at Devonport at night. Sunday went
to Ford Church morning. & went out
to Salt Ash in afternoon & evening
Monday went to pictures at Ford in
evening. Tuesday went into Devonport
Wednesday went to Hippodrome Devonport
Thursday went for walk in evening
Friday had a last look around
Devonport. Saturday morning school
finished, returned to Fovant in
afternoon left Devonport 2.30

I arrived at Fovant at nine
Sunday writing letters & getting
things ready to go on parade
Monday on parade but did not
take a class only marching
squads from one place to another
Haid afflad then wounded no particulars
Tuesday same as yesterday
Wednesday on parade morning
off in afternoon on Fovant
Figuat at night. Thursday on
parade took one squad in
P.T. & one in B.F. morning
fixing up dorms in afternoon
Friday morning drill afternoon one hour
drill & then got ready to go on week
end leave left Fovant 4.30 arrived
London 7.50. went to War Office

met T. J. Smith an old soldier
on leave, so got latest news
of Batt. got pair of field glasses
from him, just what I wanted
left him at 2:00 AM & walked to
Liverpool Street caught 5:10 train
to Frinton, arrived there 8:36, went
to Walton with Sid morning, went
for a walk along beach afternoon
went to pictures in evening. Sunday
stopped in all day. too wet to go
out. left Frinton 5:50 stopped
in London that night. returned
to Camp Monday morning. drill
in afternoon. Tuesday drill morning
getting ready for guard on guard
at night. Wednesday on guard

Thursday drill morning. heard from
Miss P. that off led died of wounds
at 11th Field Ambulance. Friday drill
all day. heard from Ernie Clarke about
off. Saturday drill morning writing
afternoon. Sunday writing afternoon
went to Fovant church at night
Monday drill. Tuesday drill morning
getting ready to go to musketry
school at Tidworth. Wednesday
left Fovant for Tidworth, stayed
in Andover for a few hours.
got to Tidworth about five
Thursday started musketry
course. Went to Garrison Theatre
Wednesday night & saw "Faust"
Opera play. Friday carrying on

with course. Saturday morning course
afternoon went into Tidworth &
had a look round went to pictures
in the evening. Sunday writing
letters & copying notes. went to concert
in evening. Monday drill. Tuesday
drill went to Theatre seeing "Gaiety"
Wednesday drill. Thursday drill. Friday
drill went to Theatre seeing "Folly"
Saturday drill morning. went for walk
round Tidworth afternoon, & went
to pictures evening. Sunday
writing letters morning went to concert
in evening. Monday Amichee signed
great excitement. went to Theatre in
the evening but crowd would not let them
carry on. ("The Fall") Tuesday drill
Wednesday drill went to pictures for night

Monday Bottom: field practice at
range

Thursday holiday all day went to the
pictures at night Friday drill writing
Drew money from Bank

Letter at night Saturday drill morning
went to American aerodrome in afternoon

the other side of Bulford to try & get
a ride, but could not Sunday

Church Parade morning, went for a
walk afternoon & went to concert at
the Garrison Theatre in evening.

Monday drill. pictures in evening Tuesday
drill. Wednesday drill went to pictures

in evening. Thursday out on range all day
went to theatre evening, drama "Tiger Cub".

was very good. Friday drill went to
pictures evening. Saturday drill

morning, writing up notes afternoon &
evening. Sunday writing letters went to
concert evening. Monday went to pictures.

Tuesday, drill, looking up lectures in
judging distance competition afternoon
evening ready for first written exam.
Wednesday drill morning, written exam
afternoon looking up paper evening.
Thursday drill morning, second written
examination afternoon rapid loading
competition. No 8 squad won it. Went
to pictures evening. Friday Lewis
gun examination morning. Miniature
range competition afternoon. No 2 squad
won it. Went to theatre evening.
The Governor very good. Saturday
the school picked up, ^{was} the last
one to be held, left for Faversham
stayed in Salisbury & went & had a
look over the Cathedral. It is well
worth seeing. Got back to the Bazar
in the evening. Sunday getting
gun ready to go on guard on
guard at night writing letters
all night, then altogether.

Monday on guard. Tuesday nothing morning
Route march afternoon. Pictures at night
Wednesday nothing doing concert at night
Thursday nothing doing. Heard from Ted
on Wednesday. My leg chafed up at last
Friday. on fatigue at bottom of parade
ground. Saturday on fatigue morning
writing letters afternoon. pictures at night
Sunday writing letters. Monday on fatigue
pictures at night Tuesday on fatigue concert
at night Wednesday nothing doing. Thursday
on guard at night. Friday nothing doing
getting ready to move to Godford. Saturday
marched to Godford. had a look round the
place at night, went to pictures. Sunday
writing letters went to Church at night.
Monday nothing doing went to pictures at
night. Tuesday nothing doing. Wednesday
day on a picnic in Godford. Thursday nothing
doing. Friday went out to range morning
went to pictures at night.
Saturday evening. nothing doing at present.

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3/38 2/2

2933

Wana Woods

28 27.8

Signet

15 Inf Brigade

483

Northland

Red Cross Hospital

General

Hospital

1298
Pte J. L. Greenbank
D. Coy.
29th Batt
10th Brigade
A.I.F.

950
J. E. Pearce
D Coy
41st Batt A.I.F.
11th Inf. Brigade.

493559
Pte E. Loucier
87th Canadian. G. G.
4th Division.

No 10/24 A
H. Barclay
D. Coy.
N. L. Pioneers

1878

C. F. Amos.

B. Coy.

43rd Batt. A.S.F.

11th Inf. Brigade

745694

Tn. W. McLean.

4 Coy.

2nd Batt.

Canadian

H. L. Dean

~~Berwick~~

Harkaway.

Via Berwick

Vic. Aus.

G. Working Party

8th Troops Supply Column

West Cappel

355

Sergt G. M. Harvey.

B. Coy.

41st Batt. A. S. F.

11th Inf. Brigade

O. A. S.

5791

Pte V. J. Blake

C. Coy.

16 Rpt. 23rd Batt.

6th Brigade A. S. F.

O. A. S. A.

Thos. L. Fox

11 Hans Mancion

London S. W.

273

Cpl. M. A. Mathecon

8th Batt.

2nd Brigade

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6 Coy

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O. C.

The Australian Baa. P. O.
Mount Pleasant
London.

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1 Reg. BATT.

London Reg. R. 7.

Hut 5 R. Coy.

R. E. Camp

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Rougham Hall
Nr Bury St. Edmunds
Suffolk Eng

Miss L. Martin
P. O. Gt. Sacchar
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Suffolk Eng

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Southsea
Hants. Eng.

Mr H Blake
C/o Dunn
5 Broadway Rd
Deptford. London

Mr W. Thomas
25 Western Grove
Woolston
Southampton Eng.

494
Pte R. Ames
A Coy.
27th Batt. A. S. F.
1st Training Batt
Rollestone Camp
Eng.

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Dakewood
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Victoria, Aus

Mrs. Garragi
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Victoria Aus

Pte A. E. Pleasance
No 5179
D. Coy

59th Batt. A.I.F.
15 Inf. Brigade
O. A. S.

Pte E. Northway
No 5162

France

8352
Pte E. Pleasance
1 Reg. Batt.
London Reg. R. F.
Hut 5 1st Coy.
R. E. Camp
7000 ft
Salisbury

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