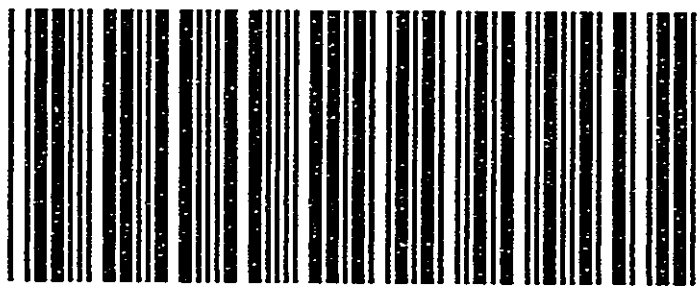
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Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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1870 Corporal
Albert James Button

51st Battalion



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51st Batt.
3rd Reinforcements
A.I.F.

BUTTON
A.J. 1870

"Died of Wounds 23.11.16"

I have been told he was killed by a bomb while at practice at Salisbury. Almost anyone in the 3rd Reinforcements could give information of the truth of this report.

Reference:- E.E.Miller 3427
51st Batt. A.I.F.
Ward 29
Harefield Hospital
5.1.17

London
7.2.17
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France.

A. I. F. 51. BUTTON, A. J. 1879.

D/W. November 23rd. 1916.

He was killed accidentally in No.4 Camp, Codford, England, through the ~~my~~ explosion of a bomb, at the bombing school. I was talking to him a couple of hours before the accident happened. He is buried in the Military Cemetery at Codford. I saw the funeral. He comes from Fremantle. His people live at Midland Junction, W.Australia. He used to belong to C.Coy.

References: Pte.F.W.Treby, 2017, C.Coy., No. 4 A.D.B.D.

Staples.
6.2.17.
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51st Batt.
A.I.F.,

BUTTON
A.J. 1870

"Died of Wounds 23/11/16"

He was killed by accident at Codford Camp Salisbury on 23rd Nov. during bombing instruction. Died in the N.Z. Hospital there three hours after explosion. Eight others were wounded at same time. Button came from W.A.With me. His people are advised.

Reference:- 1920 F.G.Hawkins,
51st Batt. A.I.F.,
8.2.17.

Note: Written Capt.Harrington 12.2.17
46th Batt. A.I.F.,
Codford.

London
12.2.17
L.P.J

P.

51st.Battn.3rd.Rfts.A.I.F.

BUTTON.
A.J. 1870.

"Ad.dead Fenwick Hosp."

Died of Wounds (Accident) 23.11.16.
Cert by.A.I.F.Headquarters.12.12.16.

Died of Wounds received in a bombing accident. Already dead when admitted to New Zealand Hospital,buried in St.Mary's Cemetery Codford,on 27.11.16. and had a Military funeral.
Cert: by Letter from Captain Harrington.
12th.Train.Battn.Codford.19.2.17.

London
20.2.17.

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Tpr A. J. Button 1840 51st Batt

see under

Tpr Drysburgh 406

21.2.17

13th February 1917.

Capt. Harrington,
46th Aust: Inf: Battn:
Codford Camp,
Wilts.

Dear Capt. Harrington,

We have been requested by our Perth Bureau to make enquiries re -

1870 A.J. Button, 51st Battalion, A.I.F.

reported Died of Wounds 23-11-16, and have been informed that "he was killed by accident at Codford Camp, Salisbury, on 23rd November, during Bombing Instruction. Died in the New Zealand Hospital there, 3 hours after explosion"

We should be very grateful if you could, without inconvenience to yourself, make enquiries on your next visit to the N. Zealand Hospital regarding Pte Button's death and send us what particulars you are able to obtain for transmission to his relatives. We believe he was buried in one of the Military Cemeteries, and would be very pleased if you could send us the location of his grave in order that we may procure through the Graves Registration Committee, a photograph of his place

of burial which will be sent to his Next of Kin.

With apologies for troubling you, and thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

V. D

Secretary

Captain A. Harrington.
46th Australian Infantry Battn.
12th Training Battalion.
Codford.
Wilts.

Dear Captain Harrington,

Thank you so much for your kindness in forwarding me the information of the death of No. 1870. Pte. A. J. Button, 51st Battn. A.I.F.

I shall be very glad to have your promised report about No. 406. Pte. L. Brydurgh, 50th Battn. A.I.F. when you get it from the Adjutant of the 8th Training Battalion.

With very many thanks for the trouble you have taken and with good wishes.

Yours sincerely.

V.D.

Secretary.
L.A.W.