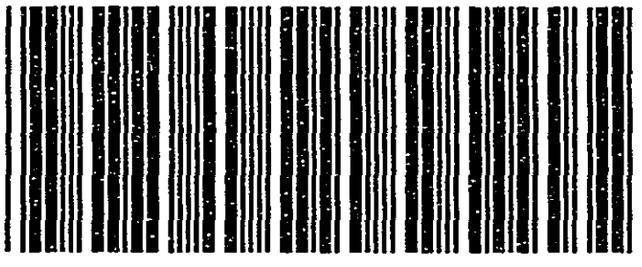
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Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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2787 Private
George Arthur Berry

40th Battalion



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40th Battn. A.I.F.

BERRY. S/B
G.A. 2787.

"Died of Wounds 6.10.17."

At Ypres, when out in the open, he was wounded by M/ G bullet in the body I spoke to him after he was hit, but could not wait had to go on. I heard he got to B/S-Knew him well in Australia before we came over.

Inf:-
Last J.A. 3245.
W. 43.
HAREFIELD.

D.P.Dickson,
London,
7.8.18.
J.E.A.

Boul.

[redacted]

40th Battn.A.I.F.

Berry, ~~C/Pte~~
G.A. 2787. S/B.

Died of Wounds 6.10.17.

He was wounded at Ypres on October 4th, 1917, and Pte.Frank Dyer 40th.A.I.F. B.Coy., was with him when he died at the C.C.S., and told me about it. Berry was a stretcher bearer of B.Coy. He was a fair man of 5ft.8 or 9. and about 27. He came with the 6th Reinforcements. His name was George.

Informant:- Pte. *Singline* Singltme. 2881,
40th Battn.B.Co.
7th Pltn.A.I.F.
1st A.A.H.Harefield.

A.G.Campbell,
3.9.18.
London,
8.11.18.

Note:-Written Dyer.1.11.18.

Boul.

Havre 15th May 1918.

A.I.F. 40. Berry S/2 Geo. A. No.2787.

D/W 6th Octr1917.

I saw him wounded on the ground on the 4th Octr at Ypres. He was shot in the face while fetching the last wounded man out of a trench - (a Captain) the others had left him. Sergt. Gray of the 40th Batth D.Coy. afterwards went to bind Berry up and took the O.C. out and then sent for Berry. He died on the 6th Octr. He was my 'Cobber' I used to do his writing for him. He was fair, clean shaved. I should be glad to be put in touch with his people.

Inf:- Pte J.C.A. Williams No.2909.
A.I.F. 40. C.Xl.
H.S. 'Panama'.

OHS.

To
Pte Frank Dyer
B. Co. 40 Batt
a. I. F

attnt
2787 Pte G. A. Berry
S/B. 40 Batt
a. I. F

F/W Oct-6/17

Written to
1.11.18

Mrs

HOSPITAL Heath Nursery

INFORMATIO

Fill in exactly as List.	SURNAME.	Christian Name.	Regtl.No.	Ranl
	Stafford	L. R.		Lieu

GIVEN

	SURNAME	Christian Name.	Regtl.No.	Ranl
	Christie	R. H.	3736	

STATEMENT OF

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NOTE. *In all cases state fully what informant says he saw or heard and give* ***DATE AND PLACE*** *of occurrence.*

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Informant said Lieut Stafford the head and fell into a Germa the body had not been recovered touches.

PLEASE ALSO ANSWER

1. Was Informant Eye-Witness? — Yes.

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3. Was the ground held or lost?

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5. Did Informant know Christian Name, Initials or No. of man enquired about?

6. Was there name in

7. Give Informant's description of man enquired about—any nickname, marks, scars, etc.

8. *Searcher's opinion of Informant's accuracy and intelligence* — Reliable

Reports should always be written very clearly in ink, or typewritten.

O. C. Draft.
44 Casualty Clearing Station
B. E. F.

for. 2787 Pte G. A. Berry.
S/B. 40 Batt. A. I. F.

Died of wounds. 6.10.17.

42nd Battn.
A.I.F.

Garry.
J.R. 2072

"Killed 4.10.17"

Was in A.Coy.3rd Pltn. called Jack. He was a runner to Lieut. Ballard 42nd Battn. I saw him killed instantly by the same shell as killed Lieut.Ballard. We were going into the line at the time - just before Oct.4th stunt at Ypres. We had to move on to get up in time for the Hop over, so I don't know where Garry was buried. It happened about 3.a.m. He was not badly knocked about.

Informant:- L.Palmer 2377
42nd Battn.
Hornsey.

W.C.J.

London.
4.3.18.

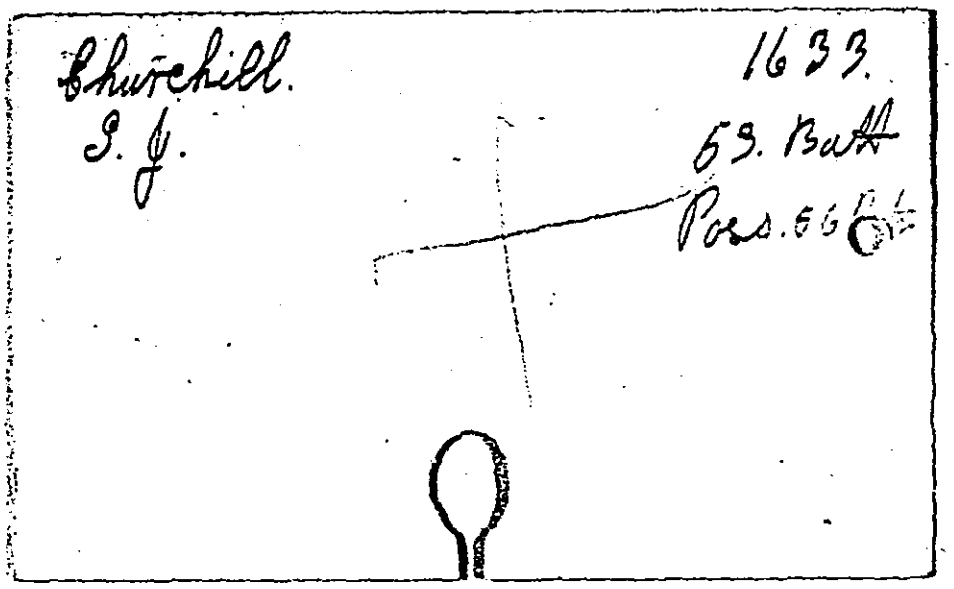
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Berry
Geo: Arthur 40 Battn.

D/W. 44. C. C. S.. 6-10-17
Next of Kin Wanted. Father G. Berry
Zeehan
Tasmania

Repat. to Pte William 2909.

Repats Dept 29. 5-18.


Churchill.
S. J.
1633.
59. Batt
Poss. 66

G. C. 30. May. 18.

Inscription

Pte J. C. A. Williams
40 Batt.

No 4 London Genl Hpl
Denmark Hill

Request of Pte
2787 Geo. A. Berry
40 Batt.

D/W 6-10-17.

O.S.
30-5-18

Field FRONT 7 pm

K.D.R.—V. 1/ST.

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BY	Battalion and Regiment.	Co.	Platoon	Home Address.
INFORMANT	50 A I F	D		2 Corunna Place Stirling Road Balmain Sydney

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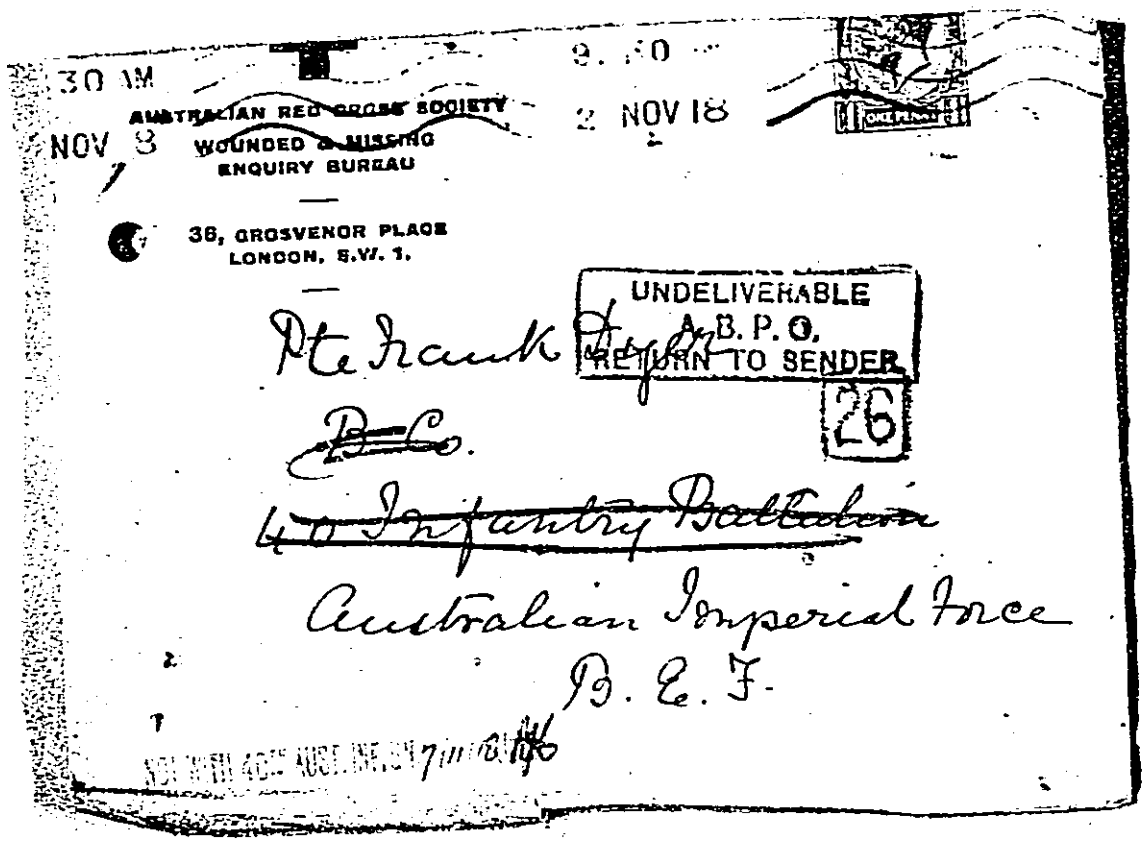
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e any other man of same ı Co. or Battalion?	No

RECEIVED 8 MAY. 1918 BARLTON HOUSE TENNYSON

Signature of Searcher } F Benson

Date of Report 2-5-18.


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36. GROSVENOR PLACE.
LONDON S.W. 1.

1.11.18

Pte Frank Dyer
B. Co. 40 Battn
A.I.F.

Case cancelled
Do not write address later

Dear Sir,

We are making enquiries about a man of your unit,

2787 Pte G.A. Berry. S/B. 40 Battn. A.I.F.
Reptd died of wounds 6.10.17

and have been told that you may be able to help us by supplying some information.

We should be most grateful for any details you can send us concerning him, but our enquirers wish especially to know whether he was buried, if so, whether it was on the field, or in a soldiers' cemetery where the grave would be registered. We would also be glad if you could add a short description of his personal appearance or any points that might help to prove his identity.

In your reply kindly quote name, initials and number, as without these particulars delay and confusion might be caused in identifying the soldier about whom you have written.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) Vera Deakin

Secretary.
pro MRS