Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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1785 Corporal
John Joseph Button

2nd Pioneer Battalion



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2nd Pioneers.
A.I.F.

BUTTON.
J. 1785.

"Died of Wounds 16-8-18"

Re No 1785.Cpl Button. John Joseph. Records here read:- "Next of Kin :- Mother.
Mrs Kate Button.
Perth.
Hospital wounded en route to join Unit on 16-8-18.
Died of Wounds 16-8-18.
No record yet received of place of burial.

Letter from:- Capt & Adjt.
2nd Aust Pioneer Battalion.
B.E.F.

London.
11-11-18.

H.

A.I.F. 2nd Pioneers Battn.
late 36th "

BUTTON
John 1785

"DIED OF WOUNDS"

Died of wounds at 55th Casualty Clearing Station 16.8.18
Cert. by Hpl. Index

London
12.9.18

H

2nd Pioneers.
A.I.F.

BUTTON.
John. 1785.

"Died of Wounds 16-8-18"

With reference to your letter of enquiry relating to the death of the above mentioned. I beg to inform you that a letter was written to the relatives in Australia on 19-8-18 giving all available information.

Letter from:- O.C.
55th C.C.S.
B.E.F. 24-9-18.

London.
2-10-18.
M.T.

H.

J.A.

2nd Pioneer Battn.
A.I.F.

BUTTON
J. 1785

"Died of Wounds 16-8-18"

I saw a report from Division to the effect that Button was wounded in the vicinity of Villers-Bretonneux, and subsequently died in the field ambulance, having been carried there by S/Bs. Full particulars may be obtained from Adjutant, 2nd Pioneer Battn. He was reported buried from Hqts. I had not seen him for about 6 months. *No other reference.*

Eye-witness:- No.
Description:- Nickname "Tom".

Informant. Radford. Sgt. Edward Jas. 3876
2nd Pioneer Battn., B.Coy.
16th Pltn.,
Bath War Hpl.

Home address:-
Newington Road,
Marrickville,
Sydney.

R.F.Goldie
9-9-18
London
25-10-18
J.E.A.

Note:- Written to the Adjutant 22-10-18. H.

Havre. 16th. October. 1918.

2nd. Australian Pioneers. Button, J. 1785.

D/W. August. 16/1918. Dets. D/B.

In D. Coy 3rd. Sec. from Tasmania; single. He had just returned from leave when he was hit by a shell at mid day on returning to his Unit. He had his arm blown off and he died the same day at the D/Station. He was buried in the Cemetery at Diarers.

Inf:- Private. E. C. Bailey. 3310.
2nd. Australian Pioneers. D.
Hospital Ship.

RBS.

H.

CP.

Havre. 16th. October. 1918.

2nd. Australian Pioneers. Button, J. 1785.

D/W. August. 16/1918. Dets. D/B.

I knew Corporal Button, D. Coy, he had been absent from the Unit for some months and I heard at C.H.Q. that he was in Villers Bretton-eux on his way to join his Unit about the 12th. August. 1918. when he was wounded by a shell and that he died of wounds at the C.C.S. there.

Inf:- Private. H. Marrow. 2403.
2nd. Australian Pioneers. D. 15.
Australian Camp.
Rouelles.

RDM.

H.

CP

SECOND AUSTRALIAN PIONEER BATTALION.

1785
J. Button,
2nd Pioneers,
D. of W. 16.8.18
H2

Battalion Headquarters.
26th. Oct. 1918.

To/-

Aust. Red Cross Society
(Wounded & Missing Enquiry Bureau
54 Victoria Street
LONDON. S.W.1

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2ND AUSTRALIAN PIONEER BATTALION.
No. 011
Date

Capt & Adjt.
2nd. Aust. Pioneer Battalion.

O.C's Draft. Sept. 13.

O.C.

5-5-4 C.C. Stn.

B.E.F. France.

1785. Pte J. BUTTON.

2nd. Pnr Bltn. A.I.F.

D. of W. 16-8-18

HOSPITAL 3rd Southern General Meanee Hall

INFORMA

Fill in exactly as List.	SURNAME.	Christian Name.	Regtl.No.
	Johnson	D. F.	655

GIV

	SURNAME	Christian Name.	Regtl.No.
	Reid	Arthur	7550

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

I have seen the grave of Pte D'a
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I heard he was killed instan
at Shazeele."

PLEASE ALSO ANSV

1. Was Informant Eye-Witness?	he has seen the grave	2. If r c
3. Was the ground held or lost?	held	4. If l wa
5. Did Informant know Christian Name, Initials or No. of man enquired about?	D'arcy no other right	6. Was na
7. Give Informant's description of man enquired about—any nickname, marks, scars, etc.	an original man al	
8. *Searcher's opinion of Informant's accuracy and intelligence*	quite intelligent	

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22.10.18.

The Adjutant—
2nd Aust. Pioneer Battn.
A.I.F.

Abroad—

Abt—
1285
Pte. J. Button
D Coy.
2nd Battn. A.I.F.

D/W 16.8.18.

22.10.18
G.1.B.

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John Bulton

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See under

Lt. A. C. Loveday

28 Bltn