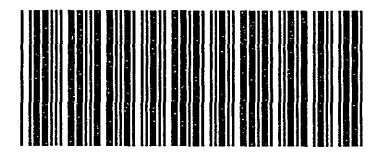
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1. 22-27th July 1916.

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Missing 22-27-7-16 Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters Cable 24-8-16 Killed in Action 22-27-8-16 - previously reported Missing I.B. 86.

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J. W. BUCHANAN, 4097 S. C. Barter, 1105

Killed 22-27.7.16. Det.D/E.

We were in trenches at Pozieres village about the 24/25 July/16 and were subjected to a heavy bombardment by the Germans. One of the consequences of this was that a lot of our men were simply blown to pieces by these shells and buried. Buchanan and Barter, both in B.Coy. were two of these men. I had seen them just before this heavy bombardment at the place where this heavy loss was suffered. No doubt was entertained that these two men and the others who had been in that part of the trench at that time and were reported "Missing" after the bombardment, had been knocked to bits and buried by the shells.

Reference: Sergt.V.Driscoll, 3745, B.Coy.

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Buchanan, Pte. J. 7.4097.

(A. July 22/27,1916. Dets D & B).

"Buchenan was buried by a shall at Pozieres. It was in the trench and I saw the shall blow the trench in and bury Buchanan and others, and I never saw them dug out, they were buried too deeply. It was on the 25th."

Bye Witness - Yes.

Description

Informant 3:t. J. J. Hillard, 3091,
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No. 4097, BUCHANAN, J.W

2 Killed in Action 22-27/7/1916"

I knew Buchanan well; we left Australia in the same boat. On the 23rd July 1916, we were in the Germans front trench at Pozieres. Buchanan's Company was coming up to us from our front trench. On the way up when he was in "No Man's Land", a shell burst killing six men and wounding others. Buchanan was killed at once.

Informant:- 3755, Fairnington, D.L.
3rd Battalion "B" Company.
No.4 Australian General Hospital.
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B.N 2/10/1917.

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