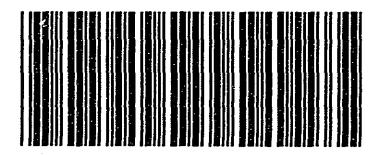
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2942 Trooper Ernest John Baker

6th Light Horse



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HARDER R.J. Pte. No. 2942.

6th Light Horse, A.I.F.

Died of Founds, 29/3/18.

Informant described Baker as about 5 feet 11 inches high, well built, fair complexion, aged about 26.

Informant states that they both belonged to "B" Troop, "B" Squadron. On the 28/3/16, the Regiment was in action at Amman to the east of the River Jordan, Palestine. Thile they were advancing against the Turks about 2.30 or 3 p.n., Baker was hit by Machine Gun fire. Informant did not see him hit, being back with the horses, but saw him at the Field Dressing Station just behind our front line. He was conscious, but Informant never spoke to him. Baker spoke however, to one of his mates named Toms. The staff were very busy with the wounded men at the time, so that Informant could not investigate very much. Baker was taken away on a Camela conveyance to Tady, called Ain-es-Sirabout four miles, where there was a General Field Hospital, and died that night or the next morning the Amoulance buried him near the Field Hospital.

According to Informant, Baker was a well liked chap.

Informant - Sergeant - Hajor F. Fitzgerald, No. 216,
"B" Troop, "B" Squad, oth Light Horse.
Home Address - Hunts G rove,
Hanilla, New South Wales

W.E.G. Anzac Information Burgau, SYDREY. 28/12/16.

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SYDNEY BURGAU.

A.I.F. 6th L. Horse.

BAKER R. J. 2942

"D/Wounds"

Died of wounds March 22/18 at 2nd L.H.Fld.Amb, buried 30-3-18, by Rev. J.P. Wilkinson, Fleet Amman Square, Palestine.

Cert. by A.I.F. Hqrs 23-7-18.

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London 27-7-18 6th Light Horse, A.I. ?.

BAKGR N.J. Ste. No. 2942.

Daed of Wounds, 29/3/18.

Baker was in B squad, and his number was 2942. He was wounded at Amman on the 23/3/18 and picked up and takenk to a Casualty Clearing Station, where he died in about 24 hours. It was wired to me on the 29/3/18 at Head-Quarters, which was in the middle between A and C squadrons. I can remember it quite well; he was not one of those who were captured such as Burlace, No. 233, Cannon No. 1386, Lamb rt No. 2346 and Spencer No. 2362. I was orderly Room Sergeant and thus knew of it officially.

Informant - H. B. Chisholm, No. 102, 5th Light Horse, head-quarters.

Home Address - The Rectory, Cooma.

H.S.O. A nzac Furlough, Rayson Chambers, 26/12/13.

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SYDNEY HUREAU.

DIW 22. 3. 18

He was known as "Jack", was married, and was an

Inglishman.

ing Station, suffering from preumonia, and pleurisy, at Re-Sult, when Baker was brought in. He had been shot, and was weak from loss of blood, though still conscious. They were both in the same tent, but witness was too ill to speak to him, however he heard him say "Oh Maude" before he passed away, two hours after admission. He made a hard fight for it and died bravely.

fire during our advance, on the day of his death. Witness produced a photograph shewing himself lying amongst several bodies awaiting burial, the service having been read over them, when the Scotch burging party examined their bodies, one man thought witness was alive, which proved correct. After remaining unconscious for 62 days, he gradually recovered.

Witness - Trooper J.S. Cleary, 6th Light Horse. Home Address - Redbank, Picton, N.S. W.

F.de V.Lamb, Major, H.M.T. Euripides, 21/3/19.

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6th A.I.H. A.I.P.

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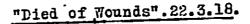
He was about 22 or 25 years of age. Medium height, rather tair, and an Englishman, and known and "Jack Baker." I did not actually see him killed but it was known in the Regiment that he was shot through the stomeon by M. 1. Bullet and dieo shortly after. This occurred at Amon, on the Hedgaz Rallway. I know no details as to burial.

Informant: - Tpr. m. C. Frienc. 1942, "C" Squac., &in A.1.R.

Searcher:R. W. Pfaitter,
Adm. Hdqrs.,
on board n. T. "Czaritza" 20/3/19.

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A.I.F.6th L.H.

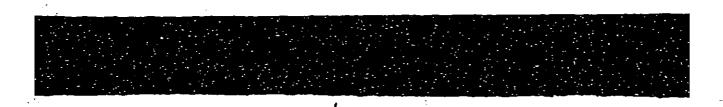


Buried Amman Es Salts District Military Graves- about 30 miles E.N.E.cf Jericho.

Cert.by & I F Hdqrs List.3.7.19.

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6th Light Horse Regt.

E. J., 2942

D/W. 22nd March 1918

I saw casualty severely wounded through the chest and arm. We carried him back to the S/B in the hollow. As I was hit soon after I did not see him again. I understand he died the same evening at the Dressing Station at a place called Amman. He was a an average sized chap fair complexion, and he came to Australia about five years prior to the War.

Informant: 1207
Cpl. W. McCann
6th L.H.
Postal Address: Summer Hill
SYDNEY

H.W. Whalebone
H.W. A.T. *Prinz Ludwig*
6/9/19

6th L.H.R.

BAYER E.J. - 2942 -

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Buried - Ammen & Es Salt District Mil. Graves, about 30 miles East North East of Jericho, Palestine.

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