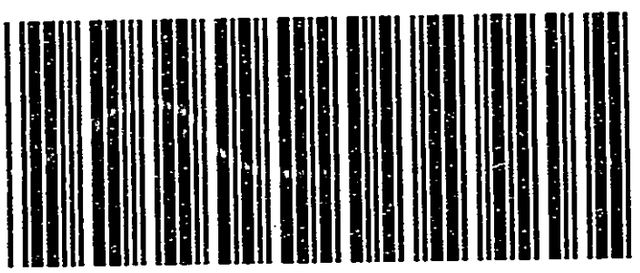
Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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6459 Private
William Joseph Clark

16th Battalion



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16th Batt.
A.I.F.

Clark,
W.J 6469.

"Missing 11.4.17"

Prisoner of War - Interned at Minden Westf. Also on 21.6.17
Cert. by Post-Card from man dated 27.5.17. Cert. by L/C.
Parsons returned prisoner escaped. ~~21.6.17~~
"I have been on working party until I was taken ill and now have reached this camp"

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London
23.6.17

A.I.F. 16th Btn

CLARK
W.J. 6459

"Prisoner of War"

Interned - Minden Cert. by postcard from man 6-6-17

"Still in hospital & I'm getting on slowly"

P.

London
1-8-17

[illegible]

[illegible] Dinty,
W.J. (MP),

[illegible]

[illegible] Commons 30.8.17.

Letter received from [illegible] Committee dated 27.7.17

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London 24.8.17

16th Battn.
A. I. F.

Clark.
W. J. 6459.

"Missing 11.4.17.

Turner.
Sgt. C.H. 3839.

Clark was in my Machine Gun Section with B.Coy. He was with Turner in a shell hole. Turner was badly wounded in leg getting through the wire. Clark was taken Prisoner and wanted to bring Turner. The Germans would not let Turner be brought in - and marched Clark off. I saw Clark last at Lille where he was left. He told me about Turner while at Villiers. Clark was well when I saw him. ~~Clark is a Prisoner of War.~~

Witness:-
L/Cpl. H. Parsons.5163.
16th Battn.
(Escaped Prisoner of War)

N.B. Sgt. Turner is Prisoner of War at Dülmen.

NOTE. Witness was clear and quite reliable in all his information. He was twice interviewed the second time verifying his previous report. In all cases ~~Bell~~ Parsons was able to supply the rank, number or initial of the missing man. He gave most of the information

from memory. He feared to raise suspicion by attempting to compile a complete list from his fellow captives. Naturally he only knew a small percentage of them, but his memory seemed excellent and he was most anxious to supply all possible particulars. I understand a full report of ~~Lieut.~~ Capt. Stewart's and ~~Rev.~~ Capt. Parsons experiences has been sent to Australia by Lieut. Col. Murdoch.

London.
20.6.17. P.

V.D.

Pte. Jack Bates

CLARK
Pte.J.6459

"Prisoner of War"

Informed Masters,

"I am receiving my parcels as well as can be expected. I am keeping in the best of health."

Cert. by Extract from Post Card received from man dated 25/4/18.

London
19/6/18.

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A.I.F. 16th Batn.

CLARK,
W.J., 6459.

Repatriated Prisoner of War.

Arrived Hull 30-11-18.

Cert. by Inf. from A.I.F. H.Q., 3-12-18.

London,
4-12-18.

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