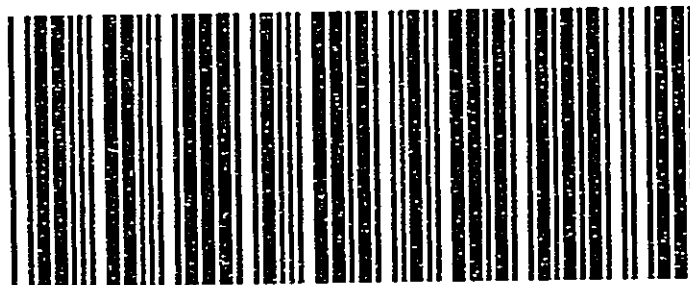


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3206 Private
William Percy
Palfreyman

30th Battalion



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A. I. F. 30.

COLMORE, G.F. 3206.

att. 8. M. G. Coy.

D/W. October 23rd, 1917.

He was with the 8th M.G.C. at the time of his death.
He is therefore wrongly listed.

SA.

Reference:- Cpl. G.H. Colless. 377. Battn. Clerk.
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Identity cert. from Battn records.

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15.1.18.

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30th Battn.
Att. 8th M.G. Coy.
A.I.F.

Colmore.
George Percy 3206

Died of Wounds 23.10.17 at 2nd Canadian C.C.S. S.W. Abdomen penetrating
Christian names - George Percy - 30th Battn. - attached 8th M.G. Coy.
N/K - brother - in-law - Arthur Nelson, 181 Union St., Plymouth,
England.

L.H. - Searcher at H.Qrs. 1.2.18.

Note Written O.C. 2nd C.C.C. Stn. 2.2.18.

London.
5.2.18.

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30th Battrn.
A.I.F.

Colmore.
Pte. G. 3206

"Died of Wounds"

Pte. Colmore was admitted to this Clearing Station on 21.10.17 with shell wounds penetrating abdomen, and both arms. He died at 7.10.a.m. on 23.10.17 and was buried in Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery Belgium on the same date - The grave reference is Plot 22.B.14.A.

Letter from:-
The O.C.
2nd Can. C.C.S.
7.2.18.

London.
13.2.18.

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Havre

18th April 1918.

80th A.I.F. (att'd 8th M.G.C)

Colmore G.P. No.3206.

D/W 23rd Octr 1917. Det D/B.

He came from Southampton or Portsmouth, single, an ex Navy man. He was hit in the back of the head and hip by a shell while going into the line at Passchendaele and we received news about 4 November that he D/Wounds in a Hospital in England.

Inf:- Pte D. Sinclair No.2158.
8th M.G.C. (fr 30th A.I.F)
No. 5 Amb.Train.

RBS.

See report on Hawkesford (herewith).
RBS.

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30th Battn.
att 8th M.G.Coy
A.I.F.

COLMORE,
G.P. 3206

"Died of Wounds 23.10.17."

At Westhoek Ridge, on the way to Passchendaele. We were going in to relieve the 25th M.G.Coy, and Colmore was in the 2nd section, a shell burst alongside the duck boards, wounding him at back of head, in the hip, and face. He was taken to the dressing station, and later news came through that he died in England. Colmore belonged to A.Coy, 11th Pltn, He was also shell shocked at the same time. Ground was held.

Eye-witness:- Of wounds. *No other of same name in A Coy.*

Description:- His people live at Portsmouth or Southampton, Medium height, about 30, single. Ex naval man. Known as "Irish."

Informant:- Pte. Donald Sinclair, 2158 (Appears reliable)
30th Battn. ~~late~~ 8th M.G.Coy,
5th Southern Hpl.

Elsie C. Hughes.
22.4.18.
London.
6.5.28.

Portsmouth.

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30 Bolter
att AUST.H.G.C. 8.

COLMORE, G. P. 3206.

D/W. Oct.23/17. Det.D/B.

I knew Colmore slightly; he was nicknamed "Irish". About 5.0 p.m. on the 23rd Oct. the Germans were shelling the back area and Colmore and I were walking along the duckboards, when he fell, severely wounded, by a piece of shell in the left leg and left arm. I picked him up and carried him to a D/S not far off and then got a stretcher for him. After he was carried away I did not see him again. I heard he had had his leg off and had died, but I do not know where he was buried. Major Hurl, Commanding his Coy., would know about him as he took infinite pains to find out all about his men. Also Pte. W.Lowe of same Coy. would know. I knew nothing of him before he joined.

Reference: Pte.E.McNamara, 602,

No.6 General, Rouen, 17.7.18.

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George Percy Colmore

30th Battalion ~~1st Bn~~

Attached 8th Inf. Coy.

Australian Imperial Force

Dear Sir,

We have been asked by the relatives in Australia to obtain the fullest details possible of the wounds, death and burial of the above who died in your Hospital on 23.10.17 and would greatly appreciate any information that you may send us.

With apologies for troubling you.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

Kera Deakin

SECRETARY.

NOTE. We have been informed by various C.O's and Adjutants that the receipt of notes of thanks only causes them unnecessary inconvenience. Unless you ask us to acknowledge your reply to the above, we will not do so, and trust that you will understand that we appreciate it none the less.

The O.C.

2 Canadian C. G. S.

B. E. F

P.T.O

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Secretary
Australian Red Cross Society
Wounded & Missing Enquiry Bureau.
36 Grosvenor Place. London S.W. 1.



Reference reverse.

3206 Pte COLMORE G. 30 Batta A.I.F.

att. 8 Pte M.G.C. was admitted to this Clearing Station on
21-10-17 with Shell W^{ts} penetrating abdomen, and both arms
He died at 7-10 AM on 24.10.17, and was buried in
LIJSSENTHOEK Military Cemetery, Belgium on the same
date. The grave reference is Plot 22. B. 14. A.

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Lieut (A) CAMB
8/2 Canadian C.C.