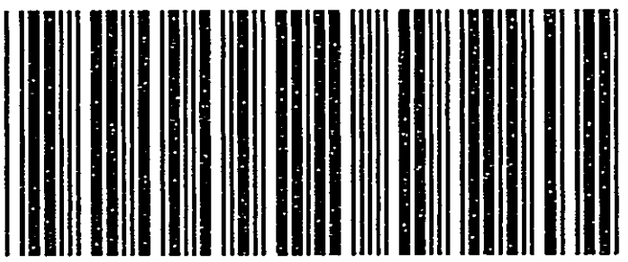
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2554 Private
John Curry Dickinson

34th Battalion



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34th Battalion.
A. I. F.

DICKINSON.
J. C. 2554

"Missing 11.6.17"

Still Missing. No further report.

Cert.by A. I. F. Hqrs.
22.9.17.

London.
12.10.17.

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Havre 23rd Oct. 1917.

34th AUSTRALIANS DICKINSON, J.O. 2554

M. 11.6.17.

My number is 2554, and I am in the 34th battalion, D Co., 16th Pltn. I have never been away from my unit till Oct. 12th, 1917.

Informant: Pte. J.O. Dickinson, 2554
34th Australians, D Co., 16th Pltn.,
Australian Camp, Romelles.

RDM

Havre 14th Sept. 1917.

34th AUSTRALIANS DICKINSON, J.C. 2554

M. 11.6.17.

I know Pte. J.C. Dickinson of D Co., a Signaller. He was away in June, 1917 - sent back to the Horse Lines for a rest. He returned to his unit I think in July. I saw him in August with the unit.

Informant: Pte. C.L. Bird, 2521
34th Australians, D Co., 13th Pltn.,
Australian Camp, Rouelles.

H.Q.

RDM

Asking H.Q. to verify
21.9.17

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34th Batn
A.I.F.

DICKINSON *DICKINSON*
John Curry 2554

"Missing 7-11.6.17."

"Letter dated 27.7.17. received from Rest Camp" on receipt of above cable from Sydney we made further enquiries at H.Q. yesterday and were informed there is no later report for above than Missing 7-11.6.17. We have no trace in our Hospital Index of any Dickinson of 34 Battn being at a rest station in July 1917. Could Sydney procure name of Rest Camp from which soldier is believed to have written.

London.
3.10.17.

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34th Battn.
D. Coy.
A. I. F.

Dickinson.
J. C. 2554

"Missing 11.6.17"

I saw him about a fortnight ago at Vauderingham, about 12 miles from St Omer. Hevhad been away from his unit and had been in the hospital for some considerable time. I knew him well and he looked thin to what he used to be, when I saw him. He came away from Australia with me on 17.11.16 in the S.S."Port Napier" I feel sure he is the man referred to. He is a man with rather longish features, dark complexion, has a slight stoop, and aged about 20 years.

Witness:-
Pte.J. L.Donnelly 2556
54th Battn.A.Coy.
3rd Aust.Aux.Hospital.

W.Oman.

London.
17.10.17. Note Written Pte.Dickinson 17.10.17. S.

A.I.F. 34. DICKINSON, J.C. 2554.

M. June 7/11th 1917.

This man was reported missing at Ploegsteert Wood but turned up again after. I saw him quite recently just before I was wounded on Oct. 12th. I was talking to him and he told me that he had been reported missing at the Messines stunt. We were in a dugout together when he spoke of this and said he did not know if it had been put right. Description: rather small, and slightly built. Age 18 or 19, fair, clean shaven, slightly bandy-legged.

Inf: Pte W.R.Smith. 2402. D.Coy.
No. 83 General.General
BOULOGNE. 23.10.17.

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34th A.I.F. J. C. DICKINSON, 2554.

M. 11.6.17. ~~Det. 3 F. R.~~

I saw him well with his Bn. at Vaudringhem (where the Division was resting) on September 28th. He is a friend of mine and there is no possible mistake. His home address is Smith St., Charlestown, via Newcastle, N.S.W.

Reference: Pte. A. Hughes. 2584.

No.11 Con.Camp Buchy Nr.Rouen. 23.10.17.

FEP.

P.S. Informant knew his exact No.

34th A.I.F.

Dickinson Pte. J.C. 2554,

(M. June 11/17)

I know Dickinson was with the Batt. as late as Oct. 7/17 and feel sure he is the same man as reported missing June 11/17.

Eye-witness:

Description: Called Dicko, medium height, rather thin.

Informant: Pte. W. Bronscombe 2522,
34th A.I.F., D. Coy. 15 Plt.,
Colchester Military Hospt.

Sd
well with out

Oct. 23/17,
C.J. Stebbing.