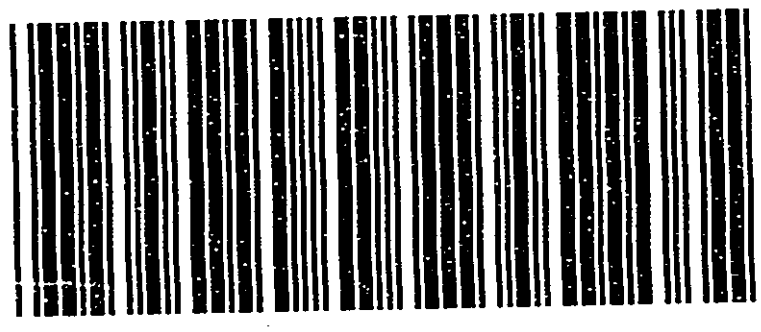
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1450 Private
Thomas Ferrier

13th Battalion



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15th Batn
A.I.F.

FERRIER
1450

"Missing 11.4.17."

Killed in Action 11.4.17. previously reported Missing.

Cert. by A.I.F. HdQtrs 19.10.17.

London.
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THOMAS

FERRIER,
T. 1450.

13th Batn.,
A.I.F.

"Killed 11th April, 1917."

"Of A. Coy., on 11th April, 1917 at Reincourt during general action, was killed outright by bullet, shot through head, this happened just as we jumped over parapet, he fell back into the trench, never spoke. We were then in the German 2nd line trench. We were afterwards all taken P/W in this trench. Having run out of bombs, the enemy bombed us from ~~left~~ flank. Ferrier was killed at about 10 o'clock in morning. I was alongside him at the time.

Informant:- Pte. A.McClintoch, 3859,
13th Batn., A. Coy., A.I.F. P/W

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Statement made by No.2390 Pte Hector W.E. 13th Btn

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re No.1450 Pte Farrier T. 13th Btn
Missing 11.4.17

The last time I saw above was in trenches at Bullecourt on 11th April 1917 about 1130 a.m. I said 'Are you coming with us Snowy ?' and he replied 'No I am going to Berlin for a change' At that time the trench in which Farrier was, was surrounded and it is my opinion that he was taken prisoner.

Dated at Portsmouth this 24th day of September 1917.

(Sgd) W.E. Hector.

Statement made and signed before me

(Sgd) W.J. Kilcowney.

O.S. Spedding.

29 SEP 1917

13th A.I.F. FARRIER T. No.1450.

M. 11th April 1917.

At Bullecourt on the 11th April after the attack the Germans made a counter-attack, Ferrier was left as a guard over a German dug out and couldn't leave without orders. The whole party were cut off I was in it and by a miracle got out. I saw Ferrier as I left and he waved his hand to me and said 'Good luck Billy'. He had to stay where he was and knew that he would be made prisoner. We saw the Germans mustering up our men as we were leaving. Ferrier had a fine voice, was always singing. He was tall with a fair moustache, inclined to be curly, looked from 35-40, slim-built.

Inf:- Pte W.E.Hector No.2390.
Amb.T. 'Ville de Liege'.
Calais. 13.9.17. EMR.

H.M.

No trace at P/W Branch
17.9.17