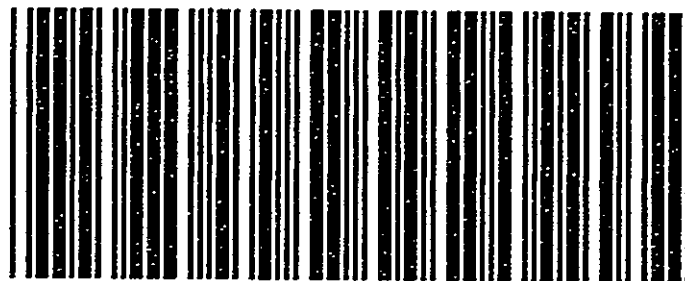


Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**4139 Private
Edgar Stanley Howell**

25th Battalion



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5th Bn.
R.I.F.

HOWELL
Major Stanley. 4139

"Killed in Action 5.8.16"

No trace Germany

Cert. by Capt. Hills. 10.10.19.

London.
21.10.19.

R.A.P.I.

A.I.F. 25th Btn 10th Rfts

HOWELL
Edgar Stanley 4139

"MISSING"

Killed in action 5-8-16 - previously reported Missing
Cert. by A.I.F. Hqs 8-8-17.

B & P.I.

London
10-8-17 .

25th Battn.,
A. I. F.

Edgar Stanley. ^{HOWELL,}
4139.

"W. & Unoff. M. 5-8-16."

Wounded in Action 5-8-16.

Cert. by - A.I.F. Headquarters 16-9-16.

Wounded & Missing 5-8-16.

Cert. by - A.I.F. Headquarters 13-10-16.

London,
1-11-16.

B.
P.I.

25th Battn.

A.I.F.

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Wounded & Missing 5-8-16.

Cert. by- A.I.F. Headquarters' List 18-10-16.

Same report.

Cert. by - 3rd. Echelon letter 4-11-16.

London,
21-11-16.

B.
P.I.

25th Battn.
A.I.F.,

Howell
Pte. Edgar Stanley, 4139

"Wounded & Missing 5-8-16"

"Wounded & Missing 5-8-16". No Hospital report.

Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 1-12-16

London
29-12-16.

B.
P.I(2)

25th Battn.
10th Rfts.
A. I. F.

Howell.
Pte. E. S. 4139.

"Wounded & Missing 5.8.16"

4101 Pte. J. Clarke same unit who has returned states that 4163
Pte. B.F. Lee and Pte. C. A. Howell (number not known) of the same
unit saw Howell killed.

Extract from Brisbane Letter 26.4.17.

Note Written Pte. Lee and Howell 27.7.17.

London.
26.7.17.

B.
F.I.

Time cancel draft

August
27

(1) The Secretary
Irving Bureau
39 Broad St
Bristol

(2) Mrs E. C. Howell
17 Whalley Rd
Clifton
Bristol

about. 4139 Pte E. S. Howell 25th Bk
A.I.F

(3) wounded missing 5-8-16

Australian (Howitzer Batteries.
107th Battalion.

Welch. D.F. 23112.

Feb: 1st/17. Det: I/R.

"I knew Welch out in Australia, a very nice fellow, he joined in Queensland. He belonged to 107 Batt: He was killed by a shell with 5 others near Armentieres in the Gasworks. I did not see him killed; but they brought his body in and I was at the funeral, a little graveyard close to the gasworks." "(I am in 108 How: Battl-)"

Was Witness:-- Yes of funeral.

Description:--

Informant:-- John Fraser, 21344.

S/Brig: Aus: I.p. 108 How: Bat
Fulham Military Hosp:
S.W.

Home address:--

19.7.17.

V. Cholmondley.

14 Whatley Rd.

Clifton - Bristol

Sept. 10th /16.

Mr. C. C. Howell will be greatly obliged if the British Red Cross Society could give him any information about his son - private Edgar Stanley Howell No. 14139 - 25th Battalion, Australian Force. Last letter received on Aug. 2nd. Mr. Howell has today received a notice from the Australian Headquarters that his son was wounded on August 5th but they could give no further particulars, or the name of Hospital.

Mr. Howell will be very grateful if the Red Cross Society can trace his son & let him know as quickly as possible.

RECEIVED

11 SEP 1916

WILTON LANE

TELEPHONE 2978.

INQUIRY BUREAU,
39, BROAD STREET,
BRISTOL.

To the Inquiry Department,
Bristol Red Cross Society and Order of St. John,
18, Carlton House Terrace,
London, S.W.

Please insert in your next list:—

Name Howell. Edgar Stanley.

Rank plc

Regt. No. 4139.

Battalion 25th A.I.F.

Company —

Platoon —

Casualty W. unoff. m.

Date 5. 8. 16.

Amby

RECEIVED
12 SEP 1916
CARLTON HOUSE TERRACE.

Feb.6th.1917. ---

Mrs.F.W.Howell
161,Kent St., New Farm
Brisbane, Queensland
Australia.

Dear Madam;

Your enquiry re your husband No.4139.Pte.Edgar Stanley Howell
25th.Battn.A.I.F. has been forwarded to us by the Central Prisoners
of War Committee, as we deal with all Australian enquiries.

We regret to say that his name has not come through on any
lists of Prisoners, should it do so, we will cable immediately to
our Brisbane Office, Spencer Block,Queen Street, so if you will
enquire there, you will get any information we have been able to
obtain,without loss of time.

Should there be no news,it will mean unfortunately,that we have
been unable to get any, though we are making every effort, as we
fully appreciate your great anxiety,in which we deeply sympathise.

Yours faithfully,

E. M.

per. Secretary.

Nov: 21st.

Mr. E.C. Howell,
17 Whatley Road,
Clifton,
Bristol.

Dear Sir,

We regret to inform you that we can get no information about 4139 Edgar Stanley Howell, 25th Battalion, A.I.F. Our Head Quarters in France state that he is wounded and missing since August 4th, and there is no other report about him.

We are still making inquiries and will let you know if we hear anything further.

Yours faithfully,

V.O

Secretary.

K.A.W.

3rd November

E. K. Howell, Esq.,
17 Whatley Road,
Clifton Bristol.

Dear Sir,

We regret to have to tell you that your son's name
4139 Pte Edgar Stanley Howell, 25th Battalion, A.I.F., is now
reported at Headquarters as Wounded & Missing on 5-8-16.

We are making every endeavour to trace him and will
communicate with you immediately we are able to find out any
further details.

Assuring you of our very deep sympathy in your
anxiety.

Yours faithfully,

V.D.
H. R.B.

Secretary

Our letter
ackd 17/11/17
18/12-16
S.O.

Brisbane
16/11/17 end of
New Farm
Brisbane
Australia

RECORDS

Go

The Prisoners of War Help Committee
Sir

I am writing this from Brisbane, I'd as
you can see. I want to know if you can
help us in my present trouble. My
husband (4139 Pts. Cadogan Stanley
Howell, of the 25th Batt, 10th Reinf. A.I.F.)
has been reported "wounded & missing"
since Aug 5th of this year & I cannot
find out anything at all about him.
Hearing of you I thought I would
write & see if you could find out for us
if he is a prisoner of war. I would
feel very grateful to you for the least
information from you concerning my
husband. Of course I understand
that it must take a time to find out
these things, but I will await your
answer most eagerly. Trusting you
will do your best to help us. I may
mention that firstly I had word

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that he was wounded, & then absolute
silence, when some six weeks after
I was advised by the military, that
he was now reported 'wounded & missing'
Hoping I will not be giving too
much trouble

I remain
yours faithfully
(M^{rs}) F. M. Howell

161 / Kent St
New Farm
Brisbane
Australia

2nd January

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R. C. Howell Esq.,
17 Whatley Road,
Clifton,
Bristol.

Dear Sir,

We regret to inform you that A.I.F. Head Quarters still report your son No. 4139. Pte. Edgar Stanley Howell, 25th. Battn. A.I.F. as wounded and missing since August 5th. *They* are unable to trace his admission to hospital.

Our Searchers are making every possible effort to find some trace of him but so far, their efforts have been fruitless.

As soon as any information comes to hand we shall gladly acquaint you of the fact as we realise your great anxiety.

With sincere sympathy,

Yours faithfully,

V.D

Secretary.

L.A.W.