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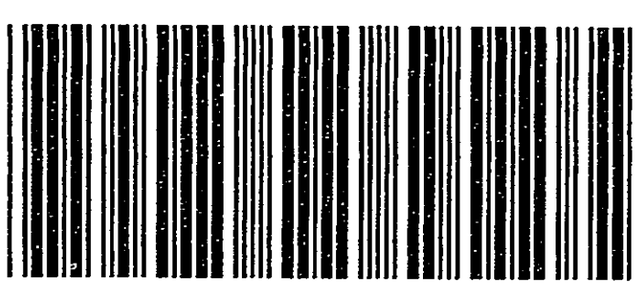
1612 Private
Henry Thomas Jarvis

52nd Battalion



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52nd Btn
A.I.F

JARVIS
Henry Thomas 1612.

Killed in Action 8.8.18

No trace Germany

Cert.by Capt. Mills.10.10.19.

London.
22. 10.1 .

H.&.P.I.

Havre 16th Nov. 1916

52nd AUSTRALIANS JARVIS, H.T. 1..12,

M. 4.9.16.

I was told by his brother, E. Jarvis, of the 52nd battalion, who is still up the line that Jarvis was killed.by a piece of shrapnel in the head at Mouquet Farm. His body was never brought in.

Informant: Pte H. S. Harvey, 2927
52nd Australians,
H. S. Formosa

RBS

Written Pte T. Jarvis 22.11.16

52nd Battn.
A.Coy.
A.I.F.,

Jarvis
Pte. H.T. 1612

"Missing Sept. 4th 1916"

Informant saw Jarvis killed instantly by a shell at Mouquet Farm on Sept. 3rd, during the charge.
Jarvis and informant joined together from New Norfolk, Tasmania.

Reference;- Pte. M. Harvey, 2927
52nd Battn, A.Coy.
Southall Hospt.
22-12-16.

Note. Compare previous report 16-11-16 - by M.Harvey.

London
2-1-17
P.C.

Off. M.

A.I.F. 52 JARVIS, H.T. 1612

M. Sept. 4th 1916.

I knew him quite well. We were making a charge to take Mouquet Farm. His brother Pte A.E.Jarvis has a letter from some Red Cross Branch saying that H.T.Jarvis is a prisoner of war in Germany. A.E.Jarvis is still with the battalion.

Informant: Cpl.H.T.Wright. 3190.
No.1 Conv.Camp.
BOULOGNE. 26.3.1917.

Not sent on.

RAOI

A.I.F. 52. JARVIS, H.T.1612.

L/Sept.4th.1916.

His brother, who is in II Pl., A.Coy, told me recently that his people in Australia have had a letter from him as a P/W in Germany. His people live in Hobart, Tasmania. He belonged to II Pl, A.Coy.

Reference: L/Cpl.H.A.Armitage, 2633, A.Coy, No.4 A.D.B.D.

Staples.
5.4.17.
SA.

Mattie Pte Jarvis 12.4.17

52nd Batt,
A. I. F.

Jarvis.
H. T. - 1612.

"Missing 4.9.16"

Now reported killed in action, previously reported missing 4.9.16.

Cert, by A. I. F. Headquarters, 15.6.17.

London
19.6.17

Off & P.I

52nd Battn.
A. I. F.

H. T. Jarvis.
1612.

"Missing 4.9.16."

Just a line to tell you that I received a letter from you to-day asking that of my brother. Sorry to say that Iknow nothing about my brother that could help you to find any information about him. I got a letter from my sister saying that they heard that he was a prisoner of war, but they did not say how they got word. If I hear any word I will let you know without any delay.

Letter from:-
4524 Pte. A. E. Jarvis.
52nd Battn.
8.5.17.

London.
30.5.17.

Note. We cabled Melbourne 25.5.17 to make enquiries from relatives.

Off.M.

A. I. F. 52. JARVIS, H.T. 1612.

K. September 4th, 1916.

His brother, who is in the Coy. told me about Christmas time that his people have had a letter from H.T. Jarvis telling them that he is a P/W. The letter was forwarded on and I saw it.

RBA.

Reference:- Shaw, 3516.
No. 4 Gen. Hosp.

Etaples
14.6.17.

A.I.F. 52 E JARVIS, H.T. 1612

K.September 4th.1916. Det:

This man has a brother still with the battalion at Headquarters as a scout, and he told me that their parents in Tasmania had heard from his brother who was severely wounded and a prisoner of war in Germany.

Informant: Sergt.W.McRoberts. 5251. HQ.
No.2 Aust.Gen.Hosp. ~~No.1 Rest Camp~~.
BOULOGNE. 14.6.17.

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52nd Battn.
A. I. F.

Jarvis.
H. T. 1612.

"Killed in Action 4.9.16"

Alleged Prisoner of War.Refer to 3491 Westlake - 6th Field Coy. Engrs.

Melbourne Cable. 7.7.17.

Note Written Spr. Westlake 7.8.17.

M.
P.I.

London.
13.8.17.

16th April 1917.

Pte Edward Jarvis,
A.Coy. 52nd Battn A.I.F.
B.E.F.

Dear Pte Jarvis,

We have been making enquiries for your brother -

1612 H.T.Jarvis, 52nd Btn A.I.F.

reported M. 4-9-16, and have been told that you had received a letter from your brother, written as a Prisoner of War in Germany. We should be very grateful if you would write and tell us if our informant was correct in his statement , and if so, give us the address of the camp at which your brother is interned. His name has never come through on any of our official lists of Prisoners of War, and he is therefore, not receiving any of the Weekly parcels of food and comforts send by the Prisoners Dept, of the Australian Red Cross, to every Australian known to be interned at a definite address in Germany; and we are anxious if he is indeed a Prisoner to have his address, without any further delay, in order that the parcels may at once be sent him.

An unofficial report we received stated that you yourself had received the letter frm your brother, but another informant stated that your people in Hobart had received the letter from him, and had written to tell you this. If this is so, and your relatives had omitted to tell you from which camp your brother wrote, would you still write and tell us, as we would cable our Hobart Bureau, to interview your relatives and obtain the address, in order to cable it to us, and so save any further delay.

We had written you in November of last year, asking if you had any information of your brother, but possibly this had not reached you.

With best wishes,

Yours faithfully,

V. P.

Secretary

May 25th, 1917.

4524 Pte A.H.Jarvis,
52nd Battalion, A.I.F.,
[illegible]

Dear Sir,

No. 1612 Pte H.S.Jarvis, 52nd Batn.,A.I.F.

We very much regret to inform you that the above soldier who was previously reported "Missing since 4-8-16", is now officially reported Killed in Action on that date.

We are making every possible enquiry for details of his death, and will advise you immediately on receipt of such information, as we fully realise your great anxiety.

Assuring you of our sincere sympathy in your sorrow.

Yours faithfully,

V.O

Secretary.

LAW

18.5.17.

4524. Pte. A.E. Jarvis. A.Co.
52. Battn. A.I.F.
B.E.F.

Dear Pte. Jarvis.

Very many thanks for your letter of May 2nd in answer to our enquiry about your brother,

1612. H.E. Jarvis. 52. Battn. A.I.F.

We shall be very grateful if you will inform us at once if you should later receive more definite news about your brother. We have entered your name as enquirer for him, and should we receive any word we will at once let you know.

With best wishes

Yours faithfully

V.D

Secretary.

August 8th, 1917.

No.3491 Spr. Westlake,
6 Field Co,Engineers,
A.I.F., B.E.F.

Dear Spr.Westlake,

We have been making enquiries on behalf of our Melbourne Bureau concerning

No.1615 H.T.Jarvis,
52nd Battn,
A.I.F.

"M in A 4.8.16" and in the course of these have received a Cable from Melbourne which advises us to refer to you as a friend who could tell us that Pte. Jarvis was a Prisoner in Germany.

We should be very grateful if you would kindly write and tell us if you have any grounds for belief that Pte.Jarvis is indeed a Prisoner of War. His name has never appeared on any of our lists of Prisoners of War in Germany and if you have received any letter or postcard from him written as a Prisoner in Germany from a definite Camp, we shall be very grateful if you will forward us this without delay in order that we may copy the name of the camp and date

and send the weekly parcels of food and comforts to him without delay.

Trusting to hear from you shortly,

Yours faithfully,

V. D

Secretary.