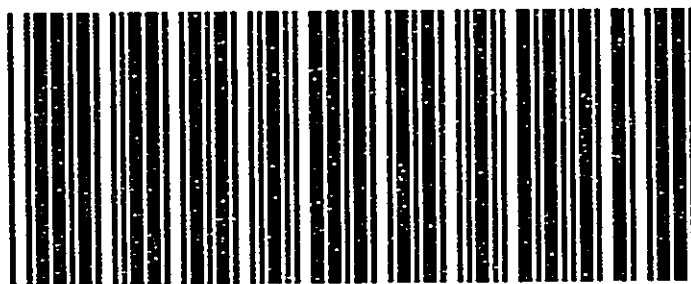


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William James Moore

3rd Tunnelling Company



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Christiansen P.M. 1313
Coulton D. 4304
Francis H.F. 2893
Kerby Sgt. M.J.M. 1364
Ladd A.E. 1071
Lyons M. 1273
Mc Lean H. 4421

"Killed in Action 28.11.16"

These men were working in "Black Watch Sap" at Hill 70 close to Loos they were loading a mine when a premature explosion took place. They were all killed outright at about 2 p.m. on 28.11.16. As far as I can remember 10 men were removed and buried at Hersin not far from Noeux including Coulton D. 4304 and Francis H.F. 2893 and one large cross was erected suitably inscribed. I was on the same shift as these men but not on that particular job. Eyewitness to all but actual explosion. The party consisted of 13 men and all were killed.

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1.10.19.

Informant, D. McPherson
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They were all in my section and were killed underground, by a German mine, during the morning of 28.11.16. at Boos. They were all buried together, in a civilian cemetery, at Hersin, near Bethune. Crosses suitably inscribed were erected to all, by our Company. I seen them all buried, and a photograph of their graves, were forwarded to their relatives in Australia.

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The above mentioned were stemming up a mine before blowing it
A premature explosion occurred, none of the bodies being recovered
Casualties were attached to Imperial Army at that time. Hill 70 Loos
Eyewitness.

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