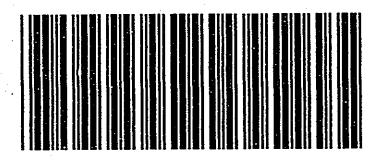
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2913 Private Hubert Chamberlain Vale

3rd Pioneer Battalion



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Shell wound face, head and right thigh severe - adm. Horton Cty of London Hpl Epsom 13-4-18 - died of wounds 30-4-18 Cert. by Hpl Index

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London 16-5-18 3rd Pioneers. A.I.F. VALE. H.C. 2913

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London. 29.4.18.

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VALE. Pte.H.C. 2913.

"Wounded"

2913 Pte H.C. Vale admitted 13-4-18 with severe shrapnel wounds of face penetrating and involving the left ear, compound

fracture of cheek bene.
On the evening of the 26th his condition became serious
necessitating an operation which was performed on the morning of the
27th, but he gradually became wasker and died from Septic Poisoning
at 9.30.p.m. Tuesday 30th. His parents were with him from the 28th
until he died. They arranged for his body to be sent on to Cheltenham
where the funeral took place on the 4-5-18 at the Cemetery there.

Discription of wreath for Fte Vale given by Jursing Staff

and Patients of Ward N.

Foundation of white flowers with the letter "A" in purple (Battalion Column) also bunch of Rei white and blue streamers.

Letter from. Hetrop. Ward Sister
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(County of London)
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3rd PIOHEERS.

VALE, Private H.C. No. 2913

*Died of Wounds

Informant described Vale as about 5ft. high, stout builes medium complexion, aged about 30/35, thought to have come from Arncliffe; was originally in the Eavy, afterwards employed on the Railways, and subsequent to that was connected with some waterworks. He left with him on the "Benalla" in November 1916, was married Informant states that they both belonged to "D" with one child. Company.

Sometime during April 1918 the Battalion was in Billets at About 6 p.m. Vale and others of the Company were in a Heley. house used as a billet when a shell dropped into it and hit Vale and two others. Informant was about 50 Yards away from the building and saw the explosion. He also saw Vale being carried away on a stretcher; he was conscious and spoke to some of his Informant believes that he died in a hospital in England about a month later and that while he was there he was seen by some of his relatives who lived in England. Informant was told this by one of Vale's ma tes who was with him in Hospital. According to Informant Vale was a popular chap.
Informant: No. 2822, Pte. J. Handerson,

Private address: 4 Watkin Street, Bondi, Sydney,
Prement address: "C" Ward, George's Heights Military
Unitary Hospital, Mosman.

21 Australian Auxiliary Hospital, Rosman. 17/2/19.

ard PIOHEERS.

VALE H.C. Private. Ho. 2913.

DIED OF WOUNDS 30.4.16

Vale and I left Australia together on 9th November 1916 as 5th Reinforcements to 3rd Pioneers. I think his name was itago - he left Australia as a Corporal. He was wounded in the foot in Heilly just outside of Amiens near Eorlancourt in April 1918 about 3 weeks after we got down there. He was wounded by a shell and I saw him being carried out- he was quite cheerful and waved to the boys as he I heard later on that he had had his foot amputated and then Then I saw him carried out I had no idea had died of his wounds. his wounds would prove fatal.

> Informant: Private J. 01Connor. 286B. 3rd Fioneers E. Company,

Home address: 23 Newman St. HETTOYN.

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