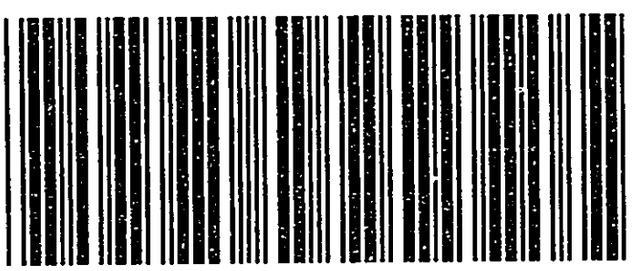
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1495 Gunner
Athol Eric Charles
Percy

13th Field Artillery Brigade



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PERCY

PERRY, A.E.C. Gunner

5th Divisional Artillery.
113th Howitzer Battery. 15th Bgde. 1495 ~~1613~~
late 1st Battn. 3 Reinf.

Killed in Action 16/11/16.

We were at Flers and on the 16th November 1916 I was in the 114th Howitzer Battery. Percy just got into his dug out and was lying down when a shell burst in the dug out and killed him instantly. I subsequently saw his grave near Flers. A cross was placed on the grave with his name on it. I have seen his mother.

Informant: Le Corpl. C.C. Gunner 2110
114th Howitzer Battery.
No4. Australian General Hospital,
RANDWICK.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

B.M.
3/12/17.

P. E. C

11⅝ Howitzer Battery
Australian Field Artillery.

Percy, Gunner 1495.

(Killed Nov. 16/16
Dets D & B).

" I feel sure that Percy was killed about the time mentioned in list. There was only one Percy in the Battalion and we all called Him " Percy " he not having a nickname. The 2nd day we went into action at Flers and Percy had been working a great deal during the night, and went to bed to rest. A shell burst in the dug-out, and he was instantaneously killed. Several others in the dug-out suffered from shell shock. I saw him brought out dead. He was buried at Flers and I saw his grave on which a cross was erected. I was there when the Doctor came, and there was only a spot of blood on his mouth. The shell had entered brain through his mouth. "

Eye Witness - Yes.

5/3/17.
E.D.avenant

Description ;-

Informant :- Gunner William W. Treweek, 2091,
11⅞, Howitzer Battery, A.F.A.
3rd London Genl Hospt.

Home address ;- Wandsworth Common, S. W.
(Not given)

A.I.F.

A.F.A. (113 Howitzer). PERCY, 1495.

K/15th.Novr. 1916.

I was with him in a dugout at Flers, when he was instantaneously killed by a shell. Part of that same shell is still in me. We gave him a good burial, about ½ mile left of the sunken road, and put up a cross with his name on it. He was a limber gunner - a boy of about 20.

Reference: Lareen, 2457, 13 Howitzer Btty, AIF, No.1 Canadian General.

Etaples.
8.3.17.
RBA.

A.I.F.

A.F.A. Howitzer 113. PERCY, 1495.

K/Novr. 16th.1916

He and I belonged to the same battery. He was a gunner. He was just behind the gun in his dugout at Flers on Nov.16th., when a time fuze shell dropped in the dugout, and blew it up. A pellet blew up through his mouth into his head and killed him outright. I saw his dead body. It was buried next morning in the cemetery at Flers. Major Carrigan attended the funeral.

Reference: Pte. J.D.Heldrem, 3071, 113 Howitzer Btty, 5 Div., A.G.B.D.

Etaples.
9.3.17.
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