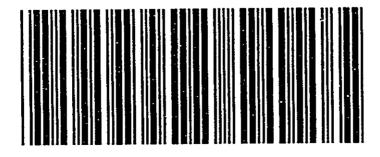
# Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War 1DRL/0428

# 2nd Lieutenant James Thomas Gordon Proctor

15th Battalion



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15th Batn late 5th Fld. Amb

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## "Missing 11.4, 17."

Milled in Action 11.4.17. previously reposted Missing Cert. by A. I F. HdQtrs 11.4.17.

London. 16, 11, 17. B. S P. ? PROCTOR 2nd Lieut. J.T.C.

#### "Killed 11.4.17."

The last time I saw him was about 15 minutes after the advance when it was still dark near the British side of the German wire. He was wounded lying on his side I think wounded about head or face because he had blood on his face. He was quite still and may have been dead then. After I was captured a friendxskid I forget who it was) said he had seen Mr. Proctor killed. He was my platoon commander and we went over close together but the smoke was very dense. The Germans made us bury ab ut 200 of our own dead in the afternoon without removing discs but I don't know is liet Proctor was buried or not.

Witness:-L/Cpl. F.W.C.A. Peachey 940 15th Bath Escaped P/W

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16th January 1918.

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15th A.I.F.

Proctor 2nd Lieut. J.T.C.

K. 11th April 1917. Dot D/B.

He was my plateon officer, was about 5 ft 8, fair complexion,

a new officer in the Battn.

I saw him killed at Bullecourt on the morning of the 11th April. He was caught by I. d. Fire or Rifle Fire . Only about three of the plateon got by it.

He was killed at once - We had to go and leave him there. To gained our objective but had to retire after about 8 hours and did not hold the ground where he fell.

He was walking slongeide me when he was shot.

Inf:- Opl R. Purchase No.832. 15th Bettn B.Co. Vill Pltn (then V Pl Australian Camp. Koue les.

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15th BATTALION A.I.F. late 5th Field Ambulance.

PROCTOR J.T.G. 2nd Lieut.

#### "KILLED 11-4-17"

Informant who was a protest officer of the included about 23-24 as about 6 ft high, well built, dark complexion, aged about 23-24 Informant who was a brother officer of the Lieutenant described him Informant states that they were both attached to B. Company, the Lieutenant having charge of one of the platoons. On 11-4-17 the Battalien was at Bullecourt in Action. They hoped over at 5.30 a.m. By 8 a.m. they had got passed the second wire and were going into the first German trench. There he saw the Lieutenant and was speaking to him Just afterwards he went over to the Lieutenant's platoon and was told that the Lieutenant has just been killed. Informant did not see the Lieutenant after speaking to him as indicated above. He (Informant) was wounded the same day but later on.

Informant added that the Lieutenant had only joined the Battalion a month before he was killed and was regarded by the men as a

popular officer.

Captain W. D. Kenyon B. Company 15th Battalion Informant:-Home address:- Too woomba Queensland.

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15th Battn.
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PROCTOR. 2/Lieut. V.T.C.

# "Killed in Action 11-4-17"

He was of B.Company. He was in charge of No I. Lewis Gun Section. V Platoon. I was in his Section. At Bullicourt on 11th April 1917 we had got through enemy's first wire but had not reached his 2nd wire. We were in a shell hole at the time, when I heard Lieut Proctor call out "I'm hit" I could not see him as it was dark. What were left of us were all in this shell hole. We could not stop to see that was the matter with Lieut Proctor. He was not taken prisoner of war and I have since heard from some of our other officers that he never got back.

Informat: - Fte.T.Riley. 2358A.
15th Battn. B.Coy. P/W.
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A.D.G. London. 1-2-19. J.E.A.

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raduros, and Lt. J.T.C.

M. April 118h. 1917.

He was in A. Co. I had been about 2 menths in the Company with him. He was the only Officer of this name in the Dattalion. I did not see him go over at Bullcoourt, but I heard it read out in Battalion Orders outside Estaires near Massines, about the beginning of May, 1917 that 2nd Mout. Proctor had been taken prisoner of war.

Informant: Pt. J.H. Collins 4817
15th Australians, A.Co., IV.Pltn.
Australian Camp, Rouelles.

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Written adj. 29.8.17

15th Bath, which have been a supplied by the second of the store of th A.I.F.

2nd Lt. J.T.C.

#### u. 11.4.17.

I regret very much that we have no further information regarding 2 Lieut. J.T.C.Proctor deyond the fact that he is reported missing (11.4.17.

> Rer. letter from Capt. B.S.Atkinson. Adjutant lo,th. Batth. A.I.F. 3.9.37.

Lordon. 20.9.11.

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15th Batn A. I. P

PROCTOR 2nd Lieut. J.T C.

## "Killed in Action 11.4.17."

I was wounded on 28th Sep. 1st Lieut. Proctor of 32nd Batn was with the company then. I don't know his initials. Dick Shields B. Coy., 32nd Batn new about to return to France tolf me on the 13th Nov. that when he left about 10 days ago that Lieut Proctor was then with the Coy.,

Witness: - E.H.C. Bonnett 2888 32nd Batn B. Coy. Hut 12

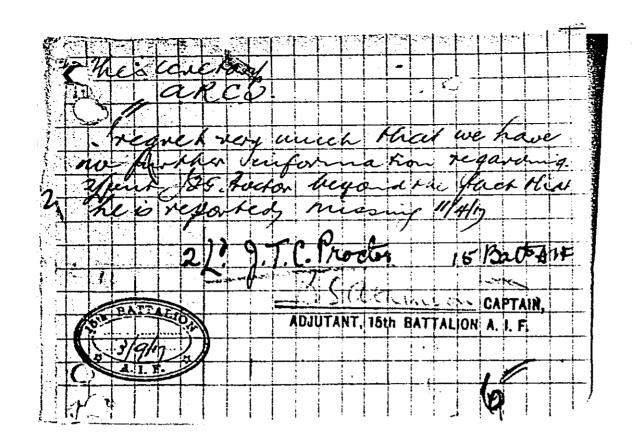
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W.A. Rand :London. 7. 12. 17.

NOTE Written PH. Shulds. 17.111

S. B.

. There may be two Lieut. Proctor's one in 15th Batn and one in 32nd but at a previous interview one said he was 32.



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ack! at 18.C. H. Terrae Military Hospital 19.5.17 alla. fould you kindly about me any Legender Liebbenand J.T.G. PROCTOR I'bill Hardroller traither I have been that part two years. The last time I highed , was with the 15 Batt. To into action very stor A liply addressed to me Condon - N. P. well be forwarded on who ever Emony be Hackey green antispation lan. Horry Judge cely Austin N. Marils 16 australian Pald Ambulance RECEIVED 19 MAY, 1917 CARLAON MUMBE THREACE.

The adjutant 15 Ball AIF

(WOUNDED AND MISSING INQUIRY BUREAU),

54. VICTORIA STREET.

LONDON, B.W. 1.

Dear Sir.

Sydney Bureau to make We have been requested by our enquiries concerning: - 22 S.T.C. Proctor 15 Ball A 1 F

and have been told that it was reford in the Battle about the befinni of May 1917 hat this officer was taken Privaier. So for we have never reed his name a any gour liet of giver.

We have repeatedly applied to A.I.F. Headquarters, Horseferry Read for infermation concerning this soldier, but met with no report Missing 11. 4.17 ether than

We hesitate to trouble you in the matter, but feel ourselves obliged to de se, the Unit records being the only remaining source of \_information.

We should be most grateful, for the sake of our enquirers, if you would kindly inform us whether you still how on four Battalion Concerni J. Proctor as a Pris Alber if our informants have confused 2 men with similar names and particulars.

With apologies for troubling you and thanking you in antici-

pation.

Yours faithfully, Secretary,

We have been informed by various C.O's and Adjutants that the receipt of notes of thanks only causes then unnecessary inconvenience Unless you ask us to auknowledge your reply to the above, we will not do so, and trust that you will understand that we appreciate it none the less.

Pte. Austin H. Davies. 15th Australian Field Ambulance. 18. The Avenue, Hornsey, H.S.

January 30th, 1918.

Dear Pte. Davis,

**१९९६ के प्रकार अ**वस्था करें के अध्यान अध्यान के अध्यान कर कर है।

We regret to inform you of an unofficial report iven by 946 L/Cpl.R.W.Peachey, escaped prisoner of War, about 2/1t. J.T.C.PROCTOR, 15th Battalion, A.I.F.

which we fear leaves no hope that the report of his being a prisoner is correct.

L/Cpl.Reachey, reported "The last time I saw Lt.Proctor

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Further enquiries are being made for details of his death and burial and when we obtain particulars we shall advise you.

Yours Saithfully.

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SECRETARY.

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24th, Dogemer, 1917,

Pte. Austin H. Davis.
18th. Australian Field Ambulance.
18 18 The Avenue.
Hornsey. N.S.

Dent Bir. 4 J.T. C. Proctor 15in Brin As.F.

We ragret to inform you that the above mined soldier who was previously reported wounded and mining is now reported whiledin action on 11.4.17.

We are making further enquiriesin the hope of 12 carning details of his death and will send you any information at hat we receive.

Regretting the distressing character of this news.
Yours faithfully.

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SECRETARY.

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