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6885A Private James Sinclair

24th Battalion



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24th Battn.
A.I.F.

SINCLAIR
Pte.J. 6885A

"MISSING 18-8-18"

Sinclair belonged to my Coy.C. We were between Rainscourt and Herleville, on 18-8-18, it was in the big advance. We were in out-posts and we had to push our posts about 200 yds. forward, to straighten the line. Posts 1 and 2 were those in which Sinclair and the other 6 men missing were placed. They had to capture the enemy posts, which they did in early morning, but enemy retook these posts about 9-15 a.m. We saw some of them being carried away by enemy, and some of them carrying stretchers. We got the ground again later, but found no trace of Sinclair, or any of them. Ground was lost for a short time.

Eye-witness:- Yes.
Description:- A man who had only recently joined Coy.

Informant. Shawe. L/Cpl.P.H.W.6901 (intelligent),
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Mrs.E.Slater
28-9-18

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A.I.F. 24th Battn.

SINCLAIR
James 6885A

"MISSING 18/8/18"

Prisoner of War.

"Well"

Frankfurt List 1286
Cert. ~~by Information~~ by Post Card from B.R.C.S., dated 30/9/18.

Mrs R. Sinclair,
Artshill,
Ruffy,
Victoria.

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London
2/10/18

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24th Battn.
A.I.F.

SINCLAIR Pte.J.6885A
Smith Pte.J. 6887A

"MISSING 18-8-18"

These two men are presumed to be prisoners, taken in an outpost near Bainvillers, on 18-8-18. The outpost was surrounded and all the men in it were captured. Ground was held.

Eye-witness:- No.
Description:- Did not know them well, but knew they were in that particular outpost.

Informant. Johnston. Pte.James 6824
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ORDER OF ST. JOHN

According to a Frankfurt List No. 1289 received 27.9.18. we are glad to inform you that

Pte. Jas Sinclair

Regt. 24 Batt A.I.F. b Welland

is reported Prisoner of War, Camp not stated. For all further information please apply to the ~~Central Prisoners of War Committee, 3 & 4, Thurloe Place, S.W.7,~~ enclosing this card, and adding Battalion and Regimental No.

x Australian Rgt.

36 Grosvenor Place

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Mrs R. Sinclair
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