

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
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**3505 Private  
Frederick Henry Alfred  
Simpson**

**56th Battalion**



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A.I.F. 36th Btn

SIMPSON  
Fred. Henry Alfred 3505

"M. 1-9-18"

Killed in action 2-9-18 - previously reported missing 1-9-18  
Cert. by A.I.F. Hqs 15-1-19.

London  
17-1-19

"K. Sept. 8/18"

56th Btn, C. Coy. 12th Pltn. 5/10, medium, between 30 & 40. Came from Delwvgra N.S.W. He was killed at Peronne but I know nothing personally of the casualty. He was a mate of mine and I visited his grave in the British Military Cemetery at Peronne. A good cross had been erected.

Informant: Cpl. W. Sackett 1761  
56th Btn C. Coy.  
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W.M.K.  
London  
31-3-19.  
J.E.A.

A.I.F.  
56th BATTALION.

SIMPSON, Private  
F.H.A. No. 3505

"Killed 1/9/18".

Informant described Simpson as about 5ft.8-9" high, medium build, dark complexion, aged about 40. Informant states that they both belonged to "C" Company.

On 1/9/18 the Battalion was holding the line at Peronne. About 5.30 p.m. while in an old trench (French) Simpson was killed outright by shell fire. Informant was about 20/30 yards away at time and went over to Simpson soon after the explosion and found that he was dead. Informant also saw Stretcher-bearers carry Simpson out and had no doubt that he was buried. According to Informant Simpson was well thought of by his mates.

*c.d.s.* Informant:- 3480, Private H. Woodley,  
"C" Company, 56th Battalion.

Private address:- 127 Station Street, NEWTOWN.

W.E.G.  
A.I.F. Furlough Bureau,  
SYDNEY. 9/9/19.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

56th Battn.  
A.I.F.

SIMPSON.  
F.W.A. 3505. Pte.

"Killed in Action 2-9-18"

I state that to the best of my knowledge Simpson was killed. It would have been impossible for him to have lived. It was in the Peronne area. The ground was held.

Eye-Witness:-

Description:- Tall fairish, sharp features.

Home address:-

Tarentia St.

Wagga Wagga.

N.S.Wales.

Informant:- Clout Harold D. 3376. Sgt

(Most Intelligent)

56th Battn. A.I.F.

Southwark Military Hpl.

Mary F. Kinch.

London.

1-2-19.

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