

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**186 Private
Walter Henry
Slocombe**

7th Battalion



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7th Btn A.I.F.
A.Coy.

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STOCOMBE 186
Walter Henry 186

"Killed in Action 25.4.15."

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Cert. by Hdqrs. List. 25.6.19.

ISSUED

DATE

CERTIFIED

Cause of Certificate

London.
9.10.19.

H.(8.0.)

ADMINISTRATIVE FILE

CERTIFICATE

7 A.I.F.
A.Co.

SLOCOMBE
Pte.W.H.186

(M. June 3.)

Walter Henry

Informant was on Gallipoli from 25th April to 3rd September. He knew Slocombe who was a painter or engraver by trade. Remembers his rifle being brought in by two pioneers attached to informant's company, who said they had buried Slocombe. This was about May 1st, after we had been attacking at Anzac. I saw his rifle then, and it was ornamented with painted scroll and ark, and the painters (runners) said they knew it was his rifle from this painting over it.

Ref:- Pte.S.James, 109, 7 A.I.F. A.Co.
Gezira Hospital, Cairo.

W.J.Isbister,
9:12:15.

(M.)

7th Btn. A.I.F.
A Co.

Med.

SLOCOMBE
Pte W.H. 186.

Walter Henry

M. 25/4/15.

Pte J. Smith, 288, 7th Btn., who was reported in hospital, London, and subsequently returned to duty, is ~~alleged~~ to have stated that Slocombe handed him his rifle saying: "There, I have finished".

MELBOURNE.
17/4/16.

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7th Btn.
A. Coy.

SLOCOMBE,
Pte. W.H. No. 186.

Walter Henry

Reported Missing, June.

Informant states that casualty was known as Will.
Informant saw casualty on the 25th April, wounded in both legs, and gave him a bottle of tea at 4 p.m. This was the last that was seen of casualty. This incident occurred one mile inland towards Gaba Tepe. Casualty was tall, thin and inclined to be fair.

Ref:- Sgt. A. C. Smith,
No. 287, 7th Btn.

Private address,
C/o Mrs. Kidgell,
Avoca Av., St. Kilda.

H.A.B.
24/5/16.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS INFORMATION BUREAU-MELBOURNE.

7th Btn.

Ally

SLOCOMBE, W. ⁴ Pte.

No. 186. *Walter Henry*

Informant states that the above casualty was probably taken prisoner. He with others, was behind a bush shooting at the advancing Turks on the 25th April. We were all withdrawn save a batch including the casualty. Informant was sent back to the beach for ammunition. Informant is strongly of the opinion that the casualty was taken prisoner.

Pte. W. J. Davies, No. 187,
7th Btn.

Private address -
27 Higginbotham St.
Coburg.

Now returned to duty, Bridging Train, R.A.

H.A.B. 15/8/16.

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AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS INFORMATION BUREAU-MELBOURNE

AUSTRALIAN BRANCH



S Ward B. R. C. S.

London War Hoops 18/11/16
to from.

Sir

I Received a letter dated
the 18/6/16 asking if I
could give any information
Regarding the Fate of
186. Private ^{Walter Henry} H. H. Slocombe
7 Bath. ^{A Coy} who was Reported
missing on the 25/4/15. If
you have a Representative
of your Society that is down
here. I will only be too
willing to oblige. This letter
that you sent to me has
been chasing me all over
France & I only Received

it yesterday.

Yours faithfully

Private J. Smith

288. 7/3 arr

JS

Telephone No.: REGENT 6151.
Telegrams: "NATIONALLY. CHARLES."

BRITISH RED CROSS
—AND—
ORDER OF ST. JOHN.

ENQUIRY DEPARTMENT
FOR
WOUNDED AND MISSING,

18, Carlton House Terrace, S.W.

Dear Madam

I return the enclosed letter. & have written the search
at Horton Lane Hospital. Epsom.

Yr. faithfully

Rosalind Lyall

for Earl of Lucan

21. 11. 16

Mrs. Deakin

54 Victoria St.

Telephone No. - REGENT 6151.

Telegram - "NATIONALLY, CHARLES."

**BRITISH RED CROSS
AND
ORDER OF ST. JOHN.**

Enquiry Department for
Wounded and Missing,

18, CARLTON HOUSE TERRACE, S.W.

Dear Madam.

We enclose the report asked for
from Smith P.L. John. 288.

7th A. 1. 3. For the War. Epson.

re Shcombe P.L. L.H. 18 5th West
Walter Henry. 186
7th A. 1. 3.

Yr. truly
Respectfully
Yours

Miss Beattie
St. Victoria St
She

Paul of Lucas

24.11.16

June 5th, 1916.

Pte. J. Smith,
288 7th Battn.

Dear Sir,

We have been told that you could give us some information concerning the fate of 186, Pte. ^{Walter Henry} W.H. Slocombe, 7th Battalion, Australian Imperial Forces, who was in 'A' Company. *reported 4.28.4.15*

We should be very grateful if you would let us have what information you may possess with reference to this man, as we are anxious to get together some definite report to send to his people.

With apologies for troubling you,

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

AS

27th November

The Secretary
B. R. C. S.
Wounded & Missing Inquiry Bureau
18, Carlton House Terrace
S.W.

Dear Sir,

We have received your letter with the enclosed
report from Pte Smith, at Horton War Hospital about 185 W.H.
Slocombe, 7th Battalion, A.I.F. We are very grateful for the
trouble you have taken in getting it for us.

With many thanks,

Yours faithfully,

V.D.

Secretary
LAW.

186 Walter Henry
Slocombe 7th Bn
A.I.F.