

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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3152 Private
Thomas Richard
Twine

26th Battalion



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26th Battn.
7th Rfts.
A.I.F.

Twine,
Pte. G.R. 3152
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D. of W.

Died of wounds 14/5/16 at 8th Casualty Clearing Station, France,

Buried at Bailleul Cemetery France.

Cert. by - A.I.F. Headquarters, 130 Horseferry Rd. 31/7/16.

London,
12/8/16.

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A.I.F. 86.

Private R. SISE.

D/W. 14.5.16.

He was of A.Co.

At Armentieres, about 11 a.m. I was on fatigue with Irvine and a shell knocked off the top of the parapet, hit his leg and exploded afterwards. I came along and saw him as he was placed on the stretcher. It was a bad wound. He was taken to the first dressing station and died after leaving it.

JJE.

Reference: Pto. Donnelly. 52. A.
11 Gen.

Etaples. 9th. Aug. 1916

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A.I.F. 26th Batt

FRANCE

Private R. SISE

D/W 14.5.15.

Irvine had his leg blown off by a shell while in a working party at Bois Grenier, about the middle of May. I saw him carried away. Word came back that he had died on the way to hospital. I knew him very well. He came over from Australia in the name of [unclear] with me. He was a slight, swarthy type of man and came from [unclear], Brisbane.

Reference: Pto. W.H. Wood, 3157. A Coy (N.S.W.)

St John's Hosp. Etaples. 9.5.16

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A.I.F. 26

FRANCE

Twine R. 3152

D/W 14.5.16.

I know Twine well he was a 7th Reinf and in A Coy and had his leg blown off at Armentieres in May last. I did not see this happen but was told so by several men in A Coy and it subsequently came out in Orders that he had died. He tried to find out where he was buried but could not do so. He was together for 22 weeks at Knoggs Camp, New Zealand. His number would be in the 3000's and I feel sure that he was the only Twine in the Batta.

Ref: J.F. Wood, 3155, A Coy.
22 Gen. Staples. 10.6.16.

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France.

A.I.F. 26.

Twine R. 3152.

D/W. 14.5.16.

I remember Twine; he was a Rft. and I saw him at Bois Grenier in about May, hit by a high explosive when working on fatigue in the reserve trench. His leg was blown off above the knee, and the doctor and S.B. of the 28th. Inf. fixed him up. He heard next day that he had died. He was carried away to the Ambulance and thence to the hospital. I only know one Twine in the 26th.

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Reference: Pto. J.R. McGuire. 1147. B. S.B.
2 A.D.B.D.
Staples. 12th. Aug. 1916.

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A.I.F 26th Batt.

FRANCE

TWINE R. 3152.

D.of W. 14.5.16.

Twine was in a working party at Bois Grenier when his leg was blown off by a high explosive shell. I saw him wounded. The M.O. of the 28th Batt. dressed his wound, and he was taken away on a two wheeled stretcher. His leg was blown off. I heard that he died that night. This was about the middle of May. He was a dark man of average size and came from Queensland.

Reference: Pte A. Kennedy, 608. A Coy. 26th Batt.
No. 2 A.D.B.D. Etaples.
12.8.16.

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FRANCE

A.I.F. 26.

Twine R. 3152.

D of W May 14/16.

Cpl. B. Hensley, 3060, A.Co. could give all particulars about Twine's death, which I think took place in the 5th. Fld.Amb. A.I.F., after he had been wounded at Bois Grenier.

Reference: J.S. Eckhardt, 2378, A.Co.
L.H.G. School, Le Toquet, Aug. 13/16.

S.A.

France.

A.I.F. 26.

Twine R. 3152.

D/W. 14.5.16.

He was of A.Co.
At Armentieres, in May, he was on fatigue work in the support line and a piece of shell took his right leg off. He was taken to the 1st.Aid post. He was quite conscious and he died in the 7th.F.A. the same afternoon. His friend, Vivian Hensley, wrote to his people.

JJH.

Reference: Pte.J.A. Laing, 3084, A.I.
11 Gen.

Staples. 6th.Aug.1916.

A.I.F. 25th Batt.

FRANCE

Twine (Thos. Richard)
TAINE B. 3152

D/W 14.5.16.

Twine was working with a fatigue party at Amantieres when he had his leg blown off by a shell. The party was putting in dug-outs in the front line trenches and was just leaving at midday on May 13th or 14th to come back into the reserve trenches when the casualty happened. He was the man coming back. He died of his wounds soon afterwards.

He was a big, dark fellow and had only been with us for a few days. He used to be a surveyor.

Reference: Cpl. W. E. Harrison, 35, A Coy.
Pte. E. W. Cowling, 1860, A Coy.
25 Gen. Stapsia. 7.8.16.

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A.I.F. 25th Batt.

FRANCE

TAINE R. 3152.

D/W 14.5.16.

I was in charge of a party which was putting in dug-outs in our front line trenches at Amantieres. Twine was one of the party. A shell came over and wounded him badly. His leg was blown off. He was the only member of the party injured. He died soon afterwards. I do not know where he was buried. He had only been with us a few days.

Reference: Sgt. F.A. Arthur, 5, A Coy.
26 Gen. Stapsia. 7.8.16.

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French Casualty

26th Australians

Twine, R. 3152,

(D. of W. May 14th 1916.
details D & B)

Informant states that in May at Armentieres he and Pte Twine were coming back from a working party about 11.30 in the morning, down a communication sap, when a shell enfiladed across the sap and "tore Pte Twine's leg off". Informant was only about 60 yards further on. Pte Twine was taken to the dressing station where the 27th or 28th Batta. doctor attended to him, and he died that afternoon. Informant states that there was a great deal of talk in the company of "how brave Pte Twine was", as he "never flinched at all". The shell burst about 20 yards further on, after it had hit him. Informant thinks that Pte Twine must have been buried in one of the Armentieres cemeteries, and that most likely Capt. Johnson (26th Batta Chapl.in) officiated.

Reference: Pte Walter Macaulay, 2149,
26th Australians, B. Coy.

19.8.16 Home address: Lewis Machine Gun Section.
Hilda M. Pickerd- National Hotel, Radcliffe Infirmary Oxford
Cambridge. Brisbane.

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26th Battn.
A.I.F.

Irvine,
Pte.T.R. No. 3152

D. of W. :

"No. 3152, Pte.T.R.Irvine, 26th Battalion,A.I.F., was admitted here on with multiple shell wounds of left leg, his leg in fact having been blown away. He was unconscious on admission and died about two hours later. He was buried by the Chaplain in the soldiers cemetery, Bailleul, and his grave is marked with a cross, bearing his number, rank, name etc."

Letter from Major Rogers, C.C. 8th Casualty Clearing Station,
France, dated 20/8/16. Recd 23rd Aug.1916.

London,
23/8/16.

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26th Australian I. F.

Genl.
Twine, Pte. R. 3152.

(D/W May 14/16. Details
D. & B.)

Informant states that "In May last in front of Armentieres Pte. Twine was killed in the trench, in trench warfare. There was no attack going on at the time. Informant does not remember whether Twine was killed by a shell or a bullet, but he would probably have been buried behind the lines. Informant was postal orderly at the time; he states that Twine came with the reinforcements and had been at the front only a week or two."

Reference:-- Pte. Moore Getty McClenaghan 114,
26th Australian I. F. A Coy, I.
County of London War Hospital,
Horton, Epsom.

Home address:-- Montrose, Gransha,
Isle of Magee,
Co. Antrim, Ireland.

August 24th
Waterhouse.

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WINE, Pte R. 3152

France

D/3 May 14 1916. Det:

This man was one of the 7th Reinforcements. He was on fatigue one day at Bois Grenier near Armentieres. It was some time in May. His leg was almost blown off and was just hanging on by a thread. The Doctor, whose name I forget cut off the leg then and there, and I believe the leg was buried behind the trenches. Private Townsend was carried off and the boys who took him down told me that he died about four hours later. I do not know where he was buried but it is sure to be close there. He comes from Queensland, and was a smart lad. He was the last to come into the Sap and the shell knocked his leg off and exploded about 20 yds off. I was there at the time.

Informant: Pte Stephens. 3159.

H.S. "St. David".

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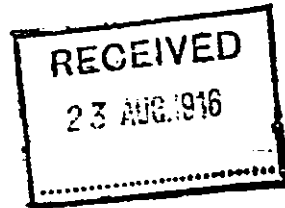
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16th August, 1916.



The Adjutant,

8th Casualty Clearing Station,

E.R.F.,

FRANCE

Dear Sir,

We have received enquiries from Brisbane for details of the death and burial of No. 3152, Private R. Twine, 26 Batta A.I.F.

We believe he was taken to your hospital and we should be deeply grateful for any particulars you could give us as to his last hours.

With apologies for troubling you,

Yours truly,

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Secretary.

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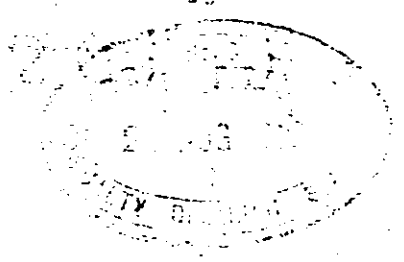


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