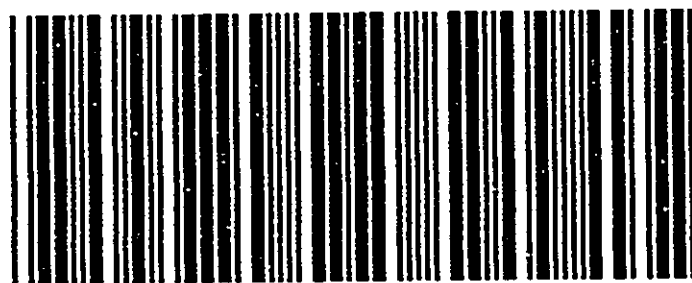


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2254 Private
Charles Edgar
Tidmarsh

48th Battalion



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A.I.F. 48th Bn

TIDMARCH
R.N. 2254

"D/Wds. 2-8-18"

Killed in action 2-8-18 - details not stated.
Cert. by A.I.F. Hqs 3-10-18.

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5th. November. 1918.

48th. Australians.

Tidmarsh, C. B. 2254.

K. August. 8/1918. Dets. D/B.

I knew Tidmarsh; I think he was a L/Corporal, and was No. 1. on the L.G. a very tall man - about 16 stone, was in the 48th. Battalion, D. Coy. I was told by some of our Pioneers that they had buried him near Broyart on August 8th. 1918. We were advancing at the time. There will be a record at B.E.Q.

Inf:- Private. H. E. Aubin. 3115.
48th. Australians. B. L.G.S.
Australian Conv. Camp.
Rouelles.

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J.F. 11-

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australians. 48.

8th November 1918.

Edmarsh C.E. 2254.

E. 8th August 1918. Det D/B.

He came from South Australia, and was a L/Gunner. He was killed on the 8th August close to a sniper's post on a large tree near Provert, near Villers Bretonneux. We were advancing, and he was killed just before we reached our final objective. I did not see him killed, but there are who did. One of those, who, I think, saw him killed was S/B Seely, of the 48th Satta D. Coy.. Edmarsh died almost immediately he was shot.

Inf:- L/Cpl J.A. Jimmie No. 3808
A.I. F. 48. D. Kill.
Hospital Ship.

RBS.

J.A.

A.
Written Seely
14.11.18

PP.

48th Batn.,
A.I.F.

TIDMARSH,
C.E., 2254.

"Killed in action - 8-8-18."

"He was in D. Coy. He was a very big fellow, 6' medium complexion 25 years. He he was No. 1 L/Gunner.

At Proyart on August 8th 1918 at 5 p.m. we were attacking when Tidmarsh was killed instantly by M.G. fire I saw him dead. I know nothing of his burial.

Informant:- D.L. Sexton, 6888,
48th Batn., D. Coy., 15th Platoon,
A.I.F.

W.M.K.
London,
28-11-18.
J.E.A.

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A.I.F. 48th Battn.

TIDMARSH
C.E. 2254.

"Killed 8/8/18."

Pte. Jacky Marron, 13th Platoon, D. Coy, 48th Battn., was on the same gun with him, when he was knocked.

Informant: L/Cpl. W. Bing, 4310,
13th Platoon, D. Coy
48th Battn.,
Bartford.

H.S. Cowan.
London
3.12.18.
J.E.A.

Note:- Written "Jacky" Marron 2.12.18.

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A.I.F. 48th Battn.

TIDMARCH
C.E. 2254.

"Killed 8.8.18."

He was the tallest man in the Battalion being well over 6ft. I forget what Company he belonged to. He was fair, and about 27 years. He came from S. Australia. On the left of Proyart on August 8th 1918 at 11.30 a.m., he was sniped as he was getting a L/Gun cut of a tank. He was killed instantly. I know nothing of his burial.

Informant:- Cpl. A. ^L Baker, 4848,
48th Battn. Headquarters.

W.M.K.
London
J.E.A.

A.

A.I.F. 48th Battn.

TIDMARCH
C.E. 2254,

"Killed 8.8.18."

He was was biggest man in the battalio. He was killed at Proyart on the 8th August 1918. I was present at his burial in a Military Cemetery at Proyart. He was buried beside Corporal Talbot of D. Company. Their graves were registered and crosses were erected.

Informant:- Lieut. R. R. Shanks,
4th Battalion,
D. Coy.

W.M.K.
London
10.12.18.
J.E.A.

A.

A.I.F. 48th Battn.

TIDMARSH
C.E. 2254.

"Killed 8.8.18."

He was in 48th Battn. C. Coy., I think. He was a big fellow, over 6ft. fair and about 27 years. He was a South Australian. Near Proyart on August 8th 1918, at 11.30 a.m. He was assisting to get the Lewis Guns out of a tank, when he was sniped and killed instantly. I know nothing of his burial.

Informant:- Sgt. T.E. Butcher, 2867
48th battn.
Headquarters.

W.M.K.
London
10.12.18.
J.E.A.

A.

48th Batn.,
A. I. F.

TIDMARSH,
C.E., 2254.

"Killed in action - 8-8-18."

Pte. Tidmarsh came to France in the 3rd Reinforcements of 48th. He was much over 6 feet in height, broad shoulders, and was a Lewis Gunner. On nearing the objective on the 8th he was seen to be using his Lewis Gun against the enemy from a Trench, and on rising to advance he was sniped. During our period on that Sector he was buried with several other lads near the R.A.F. in the Field. The Cemetery is not registered, but will be found on Military Map Reference in London.

Letter from Pte. Chas Seeley,
D. Coy., 48th Batn.,
A. I. F.

A.C.E.
London,
10-12-18.
J.E.A.

A.

A.I.F. 48th Battn.

TIDMARSH
2254.C.E.

"killed in Action 8.8.16."

Re 2254, Pte. C.E. Tidmarsh. Your first enquiry as to whether he was buried. Well he was buried by the 4th Divisional Pioneers, and the Map reference as to his burial place is R.B.C. 20.20.; any further details of his burial place I can't give you just now, but I think you could easily find out to the exact spot from a Map by the reference above. As to his personal appearance; he was a big man, standing about 6ft.4ins, in height weight about 18 stone, and complexion fair. I might mention that I have written to his people in Australia and given them as much information as I knew regarding his death, as I happened to be alongside of him when he got killed, but at the time I never knew whether he had been buried, and up to date I've only got the Map reference, but I think that is quite sufficient; but if not let me know and I will do what I can to find any further information that might be necessary. Pte. Tidmarsh's address was:-
D. Coy, 48th Battn., A.I.F. France.

Letter from:- Jackie Marray,
D. Coy, 48th Battn., A.I.F.
France.

London
28.12.16.
I.F.D.

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To
Pte Seely
S/B.
D. Co 48 Ptlie
A. I. F.

about

2254 P. C. E. Tidmarsh

48 Ptlie
A. I. F.

K 8. 8. 18

Written 14. 11. 18
MSS

To

Pte Jacky Merron

S. Co VIII Platoon

48 Batta
A.I.F

about

~~2254 Pte C. E.~~

~~Tidmarsh~~

~~48 Batta~~

~~A.I.F~~

K. 8. 8. 18

Written 2. 12. 18

M.S.

ack'd 19.12.18 2254
C. E. Tidmarsh
48 St. Andrews
R. W. A. 8.8.18
Admission
Francis
Monday Dec 9th 1918

To

See also Red Cross

Enquiry Bureau

Your letter

to hand to-day inquiring for information regarding ²²⁵⁴ P. G. Tidmarsh
You first inquire as to whether he was buried. Well he was buried in the 1st Division Process & the references as to his burial place R. B. C. 20.20 any further detail of his burial place I can't give you just now, but I think you could easily find out the exact spot from a map by the reference above to his personal appearance he was a big man stood about 6 ft 4 in in height - weight about

ack.
P.C. 5.12.18
9.8.18

France 29.11.18.

2254
C.F. Tidmarsh,
48th Bn,
K. in A. 8.8.18

From Pote Chas. to Secy S.B.

10 Company
48th Bn A.I.F.

To Miss Vera Deakin Sec. R.C. London

Yours of the 14th inst. enquiring of the
Death of Pote Tidmarsh. Killed on the 8.8.18

I can only supply you with little news, as on
that particular day I was busy on another sector
but, am aware of several facts from one of my
friends who was with him.

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48th. He was much over 6 feet in height. Broad
shoulder, & was a Lewis Gunner. On nearing
the objective on the 8th he was seen to be
using his Lewis Gun. Against the enemy from
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Re. Particulars No 2254 Pote C. E. Tidmarsh

Yours faithfully
Pote Chas. Secy

10. Company
48th Bn A.I.F.