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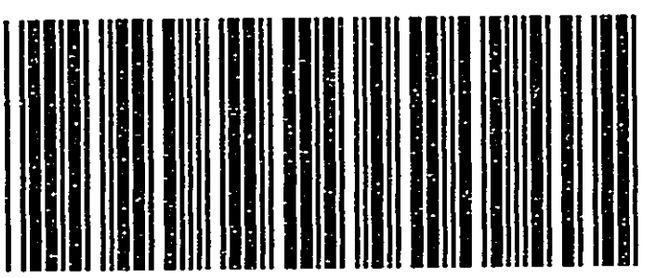
2399 Private
Edward Colin Laycock

4th Battalion



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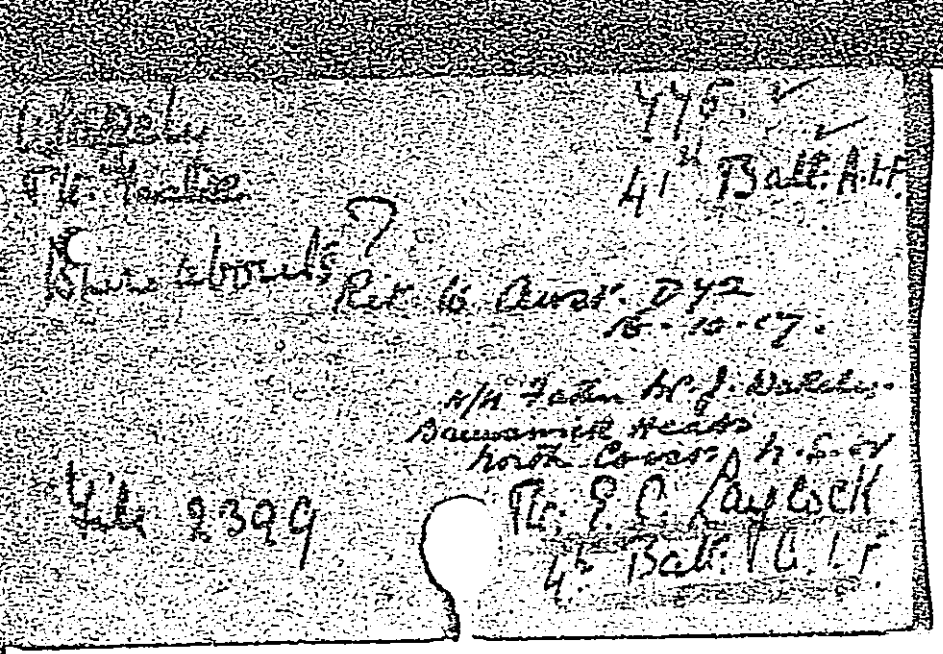

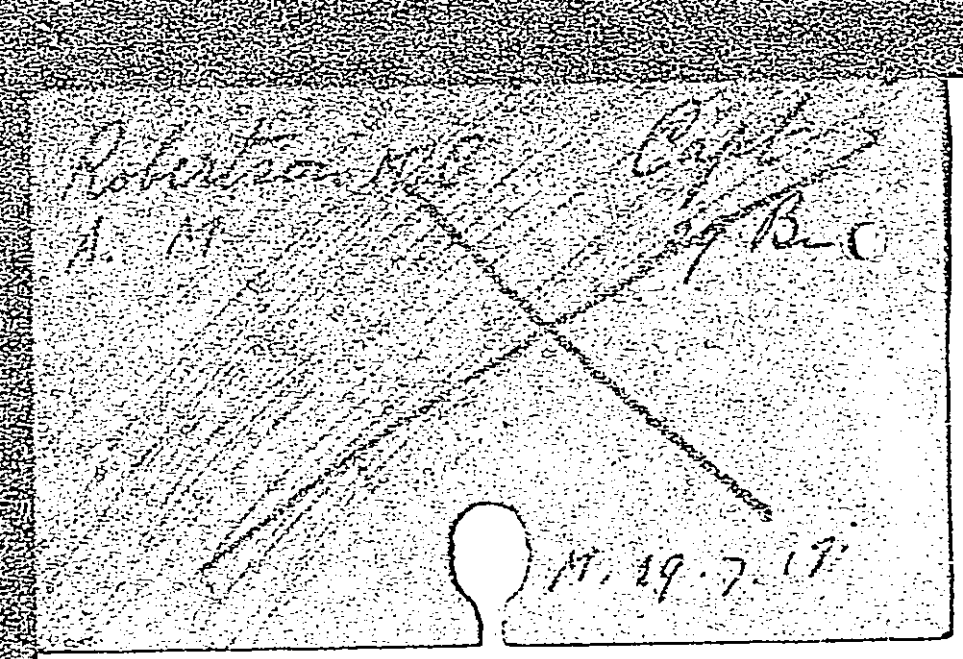

4th Battalion A.I.F. LAYCOCK Pte H.C. 2399
B. Coy.

D/W 21-8-16

I left Sydney with Laycock on 2nd November, 1915 in the "Euripides" -- we were in Egypt together and then in France.
Laycock was a young man about 5 ft. 7 ins, thin, and fair.

In Egypt we were transferred to the 4th Battalion, B.Coy. We were at Pozieres together On 16th August we were beyond the village, in trenches, and were being shelled, and Laycock was hit in the back with shrapnel. This was early in the morning. I spoke to him, after he was wounded. We found a stretcher and I saw him taken away -- I don't know where he went. He was badly wounded and couldn't move, but he received all attention possible. I heard later that he died in hospital. He was conscious and spoke to me. He didn't give any messages to his people.

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LAYCOCK
Edwd Colin 2399

"D/Wds 21-8-16"

Died of wounds 21-8-16 at 44th C.C.S. - G.S.W.head - buried Puchevillers British Cemetery.
Cert. by A.I.F.Hqrs 18-3-19.

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