

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
1DRL/0428

1266 Private  
Thomas Colwell  
Johnson

1st Battalion



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26 Lumberton Road

1166 Dec 1877

N. W.

Thos. Colwell Johnson

F. H. late 53 Pte reg 1st Pte

Mr. Johnson writes to  
say her son Pte Thomas  
Colwell Johnson 1377-53rd  
Batt. has been  
returned to his wife

A.I.F. 1st Btn.  
Late. 53 Btn.  
Orig. 1st Btn.

JOHNSON

Thomas Colwell 1266 orig. 1377

Killed in Action 18.9.18

"Killed in Action 18.9.18 details and Burial"  
Enquirer desires to meet some man of his unit  
who was with him shortly before his death  
"Killed in action 18.9.18 Prev. reported Wounded  
No report of burial Hqrs: 1.11.18  
Enquirer satisfied 5.11.18

London  
24.9.19.

A.I.F. 1st Btn.  
Late 53 Btn.  
orig. 1st Btn.

JOHNSON

Thos. Colwell 1266 late 1377

"Wounded August 22nd 1916"

Slightly wounded 27.8.16 Cert. Hqrs List 13.9.16  
Wounded and invalided to England 22.7.16. 3rd Echelon Rouen 29.9.16  
No trace 53 Btn. 3rd Echelon 2.10.16.  
Wounded 22.8.16 Cert. Hqrs. List 6.10.16  
No further report A.C. Searcher personal visit to Hqrs. Nov. 1916  
Slightly wounded 22.8.16 Probably back with unit. Cert. Hqrs. List 9.3.17  
Well with unit. Enquirer 16.3.17

London  
25.9.19.

A.I.F. 1st Btn.  
late. 53rd Btn.  
orig 1st Btn.

JOHNSON  
Thomas Colwell 1226 orig. 1377

Killed in action 18.9.18

Confused with 1334 Cedric Johnson Killed in action 2.5.15  
Enlisted Liverpool N.S.W.  
Wounded 6-8-8.15 Bomb. Wound R. Arm Gallipoli  
Born Kensington London.  
Australian Address not shown  
Next of Kin. K.W. Johnson. 26 Lambolle Rd. Hampstead. London N.W.3.  
Enquiry Cert. by Hdqrs List 19.9.19 and 22.9.19.  
See his own report and three on 1334 Cedric Johnson 1st Btn.

London  
25.9.19.

RECEIVED  
SEP  
CARLTON HOUSE

28, LAMBOLLE ROAD, N.W.  
9th Sept., 1916.

PERSONAL

The Secretary,  
British Red Cross Society,  
18, Carlton House Terrace, S.W.

*12th Sept 1916. The Council of the  
British Red Cross Society*

Sir,

Private T. C. Johnson, No. 1377  
83rd Battalion, A.I.F.  
Wounded August 22nd, 1916.

The above information has just come to me officially, and I am most desirous of learning what is the present condition of my son, and where and in what hospital he is being treated.

As I am informed that you undertake enquiries on behalf of relatives of wounded or missing soldiers, I venture to put this case before you with a request that you make such enquiries as are possible under the circumstances.

I am, Sir,  
Yours faithfully,

*T. C. Johnson*

26 Lamballe Rd  
Belkiss Square  
N.W.3

Oct 28. 1918

Ans. 11.18

Dear Miss Deakin

My son,

Pte. T. C. Johnson, 1266. No 4 plat.

A Coy. 1st Bat. A. S. F. was  
killed in action on Sept-18.

Can you tell me if there is  
in London any soldier of his  
battalion who may possibly  
have been with him on that  
day? If so I should very  
much like to have him come!

and see me or to visit him -

I have your name and  
address from Miss Snow.

Thanking you in anticipation  
of any information you can give  
me,

I am,

Very sincerely yours,

N. P. Kendall Johnson.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
TO BE ADDRESSED TO  
"THE SECRETARY,"  
WOUNDED AND MISSING  
— ENQUIRY BUREAU —  
AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.



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TEL. VICTORIA { 8576  
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36 GROSVENOR PLACE

(NEAR VICTORIA STATION)

LONDON, S.W. 1.

4th November, 1918.

Mrs. H.C. Kendall-Johnson,  
26, Trambolles Road,  
Belsize Square,  
N.W.3.

*1266 and 1297  
Thomas Kendall-Johnson  
1st Bn. 1st Div. 1st Bde.*

Dear Madam,

With reference to your letter of 28th ultimo, concerning

1266 Pte. Thomas C. Kendall-Johnson,

*1st Bn. 1st Div. 1st Bde.*  
~~1st Bn. 1st Div. 1st Bde.~~  
A.I.F.,

(who is officially reported killed in action on 18. 9. 18.) we beg to inform you that the only way we can obtain the name of a man of the battalion who was with him on that day is to enter his name on our searchers lists.

By this method we obtain unofficial reports of men killed in action from their comrades in hospital or at the various command Depots.

Should you wish us to do so, we shall be pleased to make all possible inquiries concerning Pte. Johnson.

Assuring you of our sincere sympathy in your loss.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss)

Secretary.



Nov 5.

Mrs Johnson Davis  
The Secretary for the  
Appl - has on her  
letter seem to have  
been misread &  
misunderstood by  
those who put the  
book to paper -

1266

Mrs Thos Powell-Johnson

1 Bth

4th November, 1918.

Mrs. N.C. Kendall-Johnson,  
26, ~~Trambole~~ Road,  
Belbize Square,  
N.W.3.

*1266 1st 1377*

*Thos. Colwell Johnson*

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(Miss)

*H.*

Secretary.

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Office



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The Secretary,  
Enquiry Bureau,  
Australian Red Cross Society,  
54, Victoria Street, S.W.

22nd Sept., 1916.

1266 1377

No. 1377

1st Bn. 53rd Bde. Aug. 22nd

Dear Sir,

I have received the following notice from Australian Military Department, but I have had nothing further than this official notice. Can you secure for me any information as to where my son is - at a field hospital, base hospital in France, or at some hospital in England? Any information you can give will be most gratefully received.

Yours faithfully,

(COPY)

Dear Sir,

I sincerely regret to have to inform you that your son, No. 1377, Private Thomas Colwell Johnson, 53rd Battalion, (Late 1st Battalion), Australian Imperial Force, was slightly wounded on the 22nd August, 1916, whilst serving with the British Expeditionary Force in France.

The nature of casualty, and the name of the institution to which he has been admitted for treatment have not yet been notified to these Headquarters, but you may rest assured that as soon as this information has been received you will be advised.

Yours faithfully,

9858.

21st September, 1916.

X. L. Johnson Esq.,  
Messrs A.W. Shaw & Co. Ltd.,  
43-44 Shoe Lane. W.C.

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Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter dated Sept. 20th, with regard to your son No. 1377, Pte. E. C. Johnson, 53rd Battn. A.I.F., and beg to inform you that we have not yet had his name on our Hospital Lists. We are making all possible inquiries and shall hasten to communicate with you as soon as we obtain any information, as we fully understand your anxiety to get into touch with your boy.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

March 14th.1917.

Mrs. K. Johnson.  
26. Lambolle Road.  
N. W.

1266 late 1377  
Thos: Colwell Johnson  
1st Btn late 53 Btn orig 1st Btn

Dear Madam;

In reference to your enquiry of 9.9.16, for 1377. Etc.  
Thomas Colwell Johnson, 53rd. Battn. who was slightly wounded on  
22. 8.16, we would be very grateful if you would let us know  
whether you have had satisfactory news of him since then, or  
whether you still wish us to continue our enquiries.

Yours faithfully,

J. D.

SECRETARY.

per J. D.