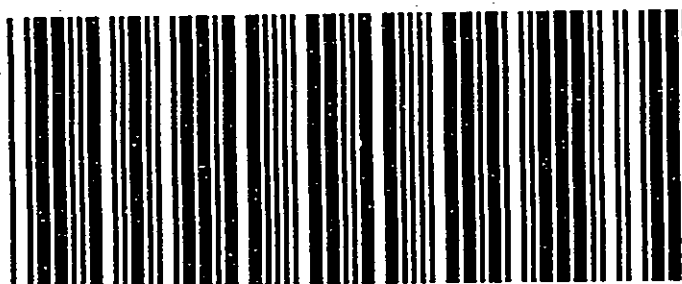


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**3879 Sergeant
John Sewell
Tomlinson**

15th Battalion



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3879 TOMLINSON J.S.

Enlisted 23-9-15 RTA 31-7-18

Ward 36

No. 2 Command Depot.
Montic Video Camp
Newmouth.
30/5/18

Dear Mrs Reid

Thanks very much for your letter. I am sorry to have to have put you to so much trouble about the money, as I know how busy you always are. So please put it in the nearest Red Cross Box. I have been away on leave out of London. & must apologise for not coming to see you but I found it so difficult to travel with an iron frame on my leg. In fact I just did it walking and I am back again in bed for a short spell. but must be off back to Australia shortly.

Again thanking you for all your kindness

I remain

Yours faithfully
Sgt J. A. Tomlinson (3879)
15th Batt.

15th Battn
AIF

TOMLINSON
Sgt. J. Sewell 3879

"Prisoner of War"

Repatriated England and admitted Tooting Hospital 7.1.18
amputated toes right.
Cert. by War Office list X 67485 8.1.18

Off. M & P.I.

London.
24.1.18

15th Batt,
A.I.F.

Tomlinson,
Sgt. J. Senell 3879

"Missing 11.4.17"

Prisoner of War - Interned at Garrison, Laz Mulheim (R^uhr) Rheinland

Cert, by Post-Card from Man to sister Mrs Arnold, dated 6.5.17

"Badly broken leg, not dangerous, - 1st Class Dr, - Progress quite
favourable.

London
26.6.17

Off M & P.I.

A.I.F. 15.

TOMLINSON, Sgt.J.S. 3879

M.Apl.11th.1917.

I knew him. It was during our attack on Bullecourt. I know that he was taken prisoner. He was Sergt. with a party of about 20 men altogether, away from the rest of us. He was close to the German parapet when I saw him, and I saw the Germans surround and take him prisoner.

Informant: Pte H. Ross. 119
No.1 C.C.

BOULOGNE. 29.6.17.

P.W.P.1 *offcl* *Ed*

RAOI

Inquiry for

3849 Sgt. John Sewell
Tomlinson
15 Balte A. I. F.

C.
(12 Reinf. M. H. A. 17.

(Brethren in arms)
E. Lintott
58 Edith
W. Huntington

Ch. City, 9001.

F.M. 8.5.17. day

morning. He did not go up again for eight days when we took
the German position. He was fair complexioned and came from
Rosewood, Brisbane. He was first bayonet man and I was second.

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Any Nickname? Dally Christian Name? William.
Any Tattoo Marks? _____ Scars? _____
When last seen, and where? _____ Date _____
Was it light or dark at the time? _____
If killed, was body buried, and where? _____
Engagement or Circumstance? _____ Place? _____
Was the ground held or not? No.
Were you an eye-witness? Yes.
If not, who told you, and when? _____
Give man's No. and Rank, if possible _____
Any other man of same name in Battln.? _____
Searcher's opinion of Informant _____
Searcher's Name H.W.Ward. 4/4/17.
Dated _____

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June 29th. 1917.

Mrs. E. Lintott,
58, Edith Road,
West Kensington, W. 14.

Dear Madam,

We are very glad to be able to send you the information
that :-

3879 Sgt. J. SWELL, TOMLINSON, 15th. Battn., A.I.F.
is now proved to be a Prisoner of War and is interned at LAZ MUL-
HEIL, PRUHR, RHEINLAND, and when you are writing you must address
him as follows :-

KRIEGSGEFANGENHENSENDUNG.

British Prisoner of War.

3879 Sgt. J.S. Tomlinson,
15th. Australian Infantry Battalion,
GEFANGENENLAGER, LAZ MULHEIM.
RHEINLAND, G E R M A N Y.

We are enclosing a printed form which covers all regulations as
regards parcels etc. and should you require to know anything
further will you kindly call at the Prisoners of War Department
at the above address.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

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