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3RD AUSTRALIAN PIONEER BATTALION, A. I. F.	3001	Private JOHN VINCENT S O R R A G H A N.	On the morning of the 22nd AUGUST 1918, in the operation against the West of BRAY-sur-SOMME, after his Platoon had reached its objective and had commenced to dig in, Private JOHN VINCENT SORRAGHAN went to the Right under heavy Machine Gun and rifle fire, to get into touch with No. 2 Platoon, and while away, he met a party of about a dozen enemy, and, single handed, dispersed them. After returning, he went forward again, and himself mopped up an enemy dugout, capturing two prisoners. Later in the day, this man was forward in a listening Post in advance of our Line, and, locating a Machine Gun position, came back to the Company under heavy M.G. and rifle fire, to give the location, thereby enabling the M. G. to be silenced by the Trench Mortar Battery. Throughout the whole day, he showed a spirit of great gallantry and devotion to duty, setting a fine example to his comrades.

MILITARY MEDAL.

LT.-COLONEL.
C.O. 3RD AUSTRALIAN PIONEER BN.

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