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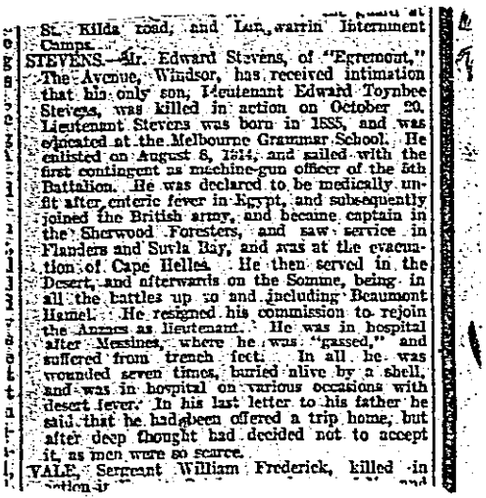
Lieutenant
STEVENS Edward Toynbee

37th Battalion

11.10.17

Killed in action

(Father) Mr. E. Stevens



St. Kilda road, and Lan[illegible] Internment Camps.

STEVENS.—Mr. Edward Stevens, of "Egremont," The Avenue, Windsor, has received intimation that his only son, Lieutenant Edward Toynbee Stevens, was killed in action on October 20. Lieutenant Stevens was born in 1888, and was educated at the Melbourne Grammar School. He enlisted on August 6, 1914, and sailed with the first contingent as machine-gun officer of the 5th Battalion. He was declared to be medically unfit after enteric fever in Egypt, and subsequently joined the British army, and became captain in the Sherwood Foresters, and saw service in Flanders and Suvla Bay, and was at the evacuation of Cape Helles. He then served in the Desert, and afterwards on the Somme, being in all the battles up to and including Beaumont Hamel. He resigned his commission to rejoin the Anzacs as lieutenant. He was in hospital after Messines, where he was "gassed," and suffered from trench feet. In all he was wounded seven times, buried alive by a shell, and was in hospital on various occasions with desert fever. In his last letter to his father he said that he had been offered a trip home, but after deep thought had decided not to accept it, as men were so scarce.

YALE.—Sergeant William Frederick, killed in [illegible]

Particulars Required for the Roll of Honour of Australia in the Memorial War Museum.

1. Name (in full) of Fallen Soldier Stevens, Edward Toynbee
2. Unit and Number (if known)
3. With what Town or District in Australia was he chiefly connected (under which his name ought to come on the Memorial)—
   Town (if any) Windsor District Victoria State
4. What was his Birthplace Woodford, Essex, England
5. Date of Death 11. 10. 17.
6. Place where Killed or Wounded Passchaendale.

Particulars Required for the Nation's Histories.

1. What was his Calling Surgeon Dentist
2. Age at time of Death 32
3. What was his School Melbourne Grammar
4. What was his other Training L. D. S. Melbourne University
5. If born in Britain or Abroad, at what age did he come to Australia 6 months
6. Had he ever served in any Military or Naval Force before Enlisting in the A.I.F. (Please state particulars) Lt. Australian Forces
7. Any other biographical details likely to be of interest to the Historian of the A.I.F., or of his Regiment—
   see "Argus" cutting attached
8. Was he connected with any other Member of the A.I.F. who died or who distinguished himself (Please state Relationship)— Numerous cousins, both English & Australian served and several killed, all in action
9. Name and Address of the Parent or other person giving this information—
   Name Edward Stevens
   Relationship to Soldier Father
   Address 12 Hunting Tower Road, Malvern, Melb.
10. Names and Addresses of any other persons to whom reference could be made by the Historian for further information—
    Name
    Address

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