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MILITARY FORCES.

"D" COY., 18TH BATT.
5TH BRIGADE, A.I.E.F.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 1352

Name CASTLETON, bland Charles

Unit

Joined on 10 3 15

5th M.G.C.

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

- What is your Name? ... *Charles bland Castleton*
- In the Parish of ... *Kirkley* ... in or near the Town of ... *Lowestoff* ... in the County of ... *Suffolk*
- Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... *Natural born*
- What is your age? ... *21 years 11 months*
- What is your trade or calling? ... *Inspector*
- Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... *No*
- Are you married? ... *No*
- Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... *Mr. J. Castleton (father) 18 Wilson Rd S. Lowestoff Suffolk England*
- Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... *No*
- Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurrible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? ... *No*
- Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... *No*
- Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... *Yes*
- Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... *No*
- (For Married Men and Widowers with children)—Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you either before or after embarkation during your term of service? ... *Yes*

I, *Charles bland Castleton* do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

* And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife *three-fifths* wife and children

Date *11/10/15*

Castleton
Signature of person enlisted.

* This clause to be amended where necessary and should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers, and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 11/3/14.....

M. S. Townshend
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, Blair Charles Castleton....., swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 10/3/15..... until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

SO HELP ME, GOD.

Castleton
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Swyool..... in the State of N.S.W. Wales..... this Eleventh day..... of March..... 1915, before me—

M. S. Townshend
Signature of Attesting Officer

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

FIELD SERVICE.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } **5th Australian Machine Gun Company.** }
 or } **(late 18th Battalion)** Troop, Battery }
 CORPS } or Company }

Regtl. No. **1352** Rank **Sergeant.**

Name **CASTLETON Claude Charles**

Died { Date **29th July 1916.**
 Place **In the Field, France**
 Cause of Death* **Killed in Action.**

Nature and Date of Report **Army Form B. 213 dated 29th July 1916.**

By whom made **Officer Commanding, 5th Australian Machine Gun Company.**

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place _____
 Date _____ *For Burial Report See A-p*
 By whom reported _____

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) **Not yet to hand.**
 (b) in Small Book (if at Base) _____
 (c) as a separate document _____

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer as the case may require, together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge } *Henderson* **Lieutenant.**
 of Section Adjutant-General's }
 Office at the Base } **Officer i/c Records.**

Station and Date **Rouen, France.**
20th September 1916.

ANZAC SECTION, 3rd ECHELON, G.H.Q
B.E.F.

Wt. 12929/4141 400,000 12/15 JFW
 Forms B 7 B3A
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of on Enlistment.

21 years 11 months
5 feet 7 1/2 inches
160 lbs.
32-35 1/2 inches
3 air
Blue
Lt. Brown

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

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W I L L.

In the event of my death I give the whole of my
property & effects to Mr. T. Castleton,

18, Wilson Rd.,

S. Lowestoff,

Suffolk,

England.

C. Castleton,
Private No. 1352.
A.I.F.

Aug. 19th 1915.

Certified to be a true copy of the Will of No. 1352
Sgt. Castleton, C.C. 5th Mac. Gun. Coy., A.I.F.

Checked. *M. Minchin* Sgt.,

Lt. Brown
Sgt.,
Estates Branch,
Adm. Hdqrs.,
London.

Commanding *T. J. Henson*

Capt. D. Cox

A. C. Chapman Lt.-Col.
Commanding 18th, Batt'n, 5th, B'de,

Transferred to
"D" COY., 18TH BATT.
5TH BRIGADE, A.I.E.F.

of on Enlistment.

21 years 11 months.
 5 feet 7 1/2 inches.
 160 lbs.
 32-35 1/2 inches.
 3 air
 Blue
 Lt Browne
 Non Conform.

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, to-wit: consumption; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hemorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his hands and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

3/15
 J. P. [Signature]

[Signature]
 Captain
 Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to

Transferred to
 "D" COY., 18TH BATT.
 5TH BRIGADE, A.I.E.F.,
 157575 R.D. 38

Commanding [Signature]
 Capt. D. [Signature]

[Signature] Lt.-Col.
 Commanding 18th, Batt'n, 5th, B'de.

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Statement of Service of No. 1252 Name Castleton Claud Charles

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
	Ad 1 st Aust. Hosp Lyona Park	19. 9. 15		P. 2 16/1352
	Trans 1 st Aust CCS to Hosp Ship Augac	15. 9. 15		" 27/352
	ADMITTED HOSPITAL H th Aux	27. 9. 15		
	TRANSFERRED TO Helouan	2. 10. 15		" 23/2035
	Disch NZA to Duty	22. 10. 15		" 33/3464
	To Duty Gallipoli	8. 12. 15		" 5/191 18. 1. 16
	PROMOTED Corporal vice Kilpatrick to Sup List	7. 12. 15		" 8/393 25. 1. 16
	ADMITTED HOSPITAL IASH	29. 1. 16		" 982 14. 2. 16
	ADMITTED HOSPITAL	27. 1. 16		" 1219 19. 2. 16
	Disch IASH to duty	15. 2. 16		" 1562 1. 3. 16
	REJOINED UNIT FROM Hosp To be tempy. scrpt. vice W. G. House	17. 2. 16	20. 2. 16	" 1657 9. 3. 16 D. 213/AP 515-6032
	PROMOTED Temp Sergeant	20. 2. 16		" 1794 15. 3. 16
	5 th M. G. Co.			
	Taken on strength from 18 th Bata.	8. 3. 16		P. 2/0 3/77
	Promoted Sergeant	16. 3. 16		" 6/240 6. 7. 16
	Killed in action. France	29. 7. 16		D. 10/295 1936 344 VLS 15/1/16
	Proceeded to join M. G. Co. Gallipoli Peninsula		16. 8. 15	
	Cyprus. Admitted Helipolis		19. 9. 15	D. 10662. D. O. 16/1352
	Embarked for Overseas Alexandria		8. 11. 15	Noml Roll. P/142
	Reported for duty Gallipoli Peninsula		8. 12. 15	D. 213 D. O. 5/191
	Disemb. ex Muder at Alexandria		9. 1. 16	D. 3259
	Malaria. Transf. to no. 2 A. C. P. Somalia		28. 1. 16	D. 36/25606
	Discharged to Duty Somalia		16. 2. 16	W 3036/2 252400
	Proceeded to join 2 nd F. Alexandria		14. 3. 16	20/156/2.
	Disemb. at Marsule		29. 3. 16	PR 5049.

I have examined the above details and find them correct in every respect.

Copy sent to pensions 27/12/16 they are to be readjusted
of all promotions that come through orders

Statement of Service of No. 1352. Name *Castleton C.C.*

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
<i>5th M.G. Coy.</i>	<p><i>A. I. J. Orders List No 100. Extract from London Gazette dated 26.9.16. Awarded the Victoria Cross for: Most conspicuous bravery. During an attack on the enemy's trenches, the Infantry was temporarily driven back by the intense machine gun fire opened by the enemy. Many wounded were left in "No man's land" lying in shell holes. Sgt. Castleton went out twice in face of this intense fire & each time brought in a wounded man on his back. He went out a third & was bringing in another wounded man when he was himself shot in the back & killed instantly. He set a splendid example of courage & self-sacrifice.</i></p>			<p><i>Pl. 2/18/501.</i> <i>18.10.16</i></p>
	<p><i>Buried Between Bozieren & Barentin-le-Grand - Petit, 4 1/4 mls. N.E. of Albert.</i></p>			<p><i>7429g.</i></p>

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

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Certified Copy

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AUSTRALIAN
O.C. "D" Co., 18th Batt. CAPT.



"D" COY., 18TH BATT.
5TH BRIGADE, A.I.F.F.
MILITARY FORCES.

Handwritten signature

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. *1357*

Name *Castleton Claud Charles*
Unit **18th. BATTALION.**
Joined on *10.3.13*

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? 1. *Claud Charles Castleton*
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? 2. In the Parish of *Kirkby* in or near the Town of *Lowestoft* in the County of *Suffolk*
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) 3. *Natural Born*
4. What is your age? 4. *21 Years - 11 Months*
5. What is your trade or calling? 5. *Inspector*
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? 6. *No*
7. Are you married? 7. *No*
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... 8. *Father, Mr. C. Castleton*
~~*18 Suffolk Street, Southwark*~~
~~*Suffolk, England*~~
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... 9. *Yes* *20 Rochester Road, Str., Lowestoft, Suffolk, England*
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? 10. *No*
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge 11. *No* *457/209 London 28/12*
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? 12. *Yes*
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? 13. *No*
14. (For Married Men and Widowers with children)—Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you either before or after embarkation during your term of service? ... 14. _____

I, *Claud Charles Castleton* do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

* And I further agree to allot not less than *two-fifths* of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my *wife* *three-fifths* *wife and children*

Date *11.3.13* *(Sgd) C. Castleton*
Signature of person enlisted.

* This clause to be amended where necessary and should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers, and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 11.9.15

(Sgd) W. S. Howarth

Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, Claud Charles Castleton, swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 10.9.15 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

SO HELP ME, GOD.

(Sgd) Castleton

Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Liverpool in the State of N.S.W. Wales this Eleventh day of March 1915, before me—

(Sgd) W. S. Howarth

Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

Description of on Enlistment.

Age *21* years *11* months

Height *5* feet *7 1/2* inches

Weight *160* lbs.

Chest Measurement *32 - 35 1/2* inches

Complexion *Fair*

Eyes *Blue Good*

Hair *Light Brown*

Religious Denomination *No Confession*

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:-

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date *10. 3. 15*

Place *Sydney (Syd)*

A. C. E. Thompson
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

Capt. A. M. C.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to

Date

Place

Commanding

Transferred to
"D" COY., 18TH BATT.
5TH BRIGADE, A.I.E.F.

Statement of Service of No. 1352 Name Castleton Claude Chas.

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
18th. BATTALION.	Pte.	10. 3. 15	6. 12. 15	
	Promoted Corp.	7. 12. 15	19. 2. 16	[B.P.L. 38/13 M.E.F.O. 8. 28/16
	Promoted Serj. Temp.	20/2/16		[B.P.L. 44/22 M.E.F.O. 23/15/2/16
" "	Awarded Victoria Cross	26-9-16		E.H.S. 184/16 M.D. 580/16

I have examined the above details and find them correct in every respect.

5 Mackinnon Gun Co
 "D" Coy 18th BATT.
 Casualty Form Active Service
 5TH BRIGADE A.I.E.F.

PROCEEDED TO JOIN
 M. F. F. GALLIPOLI
 16/8. 15.

1352

Regimental No. 1352
 Enlisted (a) 10-3-15
 Date of promotion to present rank }
 Extended

Regiment or Corps
 Rank

Re-engaged

Service reckoners from (a)
 Numerical position on roll of M.C.Os.

Name
 Claude Charles

Qualification (b)
 M. G. Section

Date of appointment to lance rank

Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B, 213, Army Form A, 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case

Place

Date

Remarks
 taken from Army Form B, 213, Army Form A, 36, or other official documents.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B, 213, Army Form A, 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B, 213, Army Form A, 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
19/9/15	no. 1. Aus Hook	Ad. Disentery	Luna Pk.	19/9/15	A 106662 D.O. 16/1352
19/9/15	H. I. Newacka	admitted	-	15/9/15	A 10495 D.O.
19/9/15	1st Aust. C.C.F.	To hook. ship	Angae	15/9/15	C 3558 D.O. 22/1882
2/10/15	7th Aust Hook	admitted	Abbasia	27/9/15	A 36/c 3686 D.O. 23/2005
23/10/15	2. 74 a 6th Hook	Transfd to Helouan	Helouan	2/10/15	A 36/c 4129 D.O. 33/346H
13/11/15	H. I. Royal George	Discharged for duty	Alexandria	22/10/15	nom. Roll P. 1172
13/11/15	C. O.	Embarcked for Uzeas	Gallip Pen	8/11/15	
7/16	C. O.	Reported for duty DISEMBRCKD AT ALEX. A.I.D. A EX MUDROS 9/1/16 REF. D3359 to be Spl. vice. Kipparichy transfd. to Super Lead.		8/12/15	P. 213 D.O. 8/393

(c) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered. P.T.O.
 (d) e.g., Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

Army Form B 103

Report		Record of promotions reductions, transfers, casualties, etc. during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
29/1/16	8 th Fld. Amb.	Adm (Malaisia) 27/1/16 dupl to 2 A.C.C.S.	Sumailia	28/1/16	296 (C6606) 291
29/1/16	2 ACS.	To A. A. H.	Terry Post	29/1/16	36/c5612 294
29/1/16	1st AdA	Adm. malasia	Sumailia	29/1/16	W3034(R1578) 295 D.O. 11/1/16
30/1/16	C. O.	20 hospital	Canal Def	27/1/16	B213 (AP 3841) D.O. 1/2/19
16/2/16	1st A.S.M.	Dischgd. to duty	Sumailia	16/2/16	W3034(R2524) 332 D.O. 20/5/62
19/2/16	C. O.	From hospital	mt Kembla	17/2/16	B213 AP 4670 D.O. 22/1/65
26/2/16	C. O.	to be Temp Sergeant vice Woodhouse was surk	MT. KEMBLA	20/2/16	B213. AP5158 2023/194
17-5-16	C/O.	PROCD TO JOIN B.E.F ALEXANDRIA 17/3/16 Taken on strength.	DISEMBKD 23/3/16 MOASAR 2-3-16.		MARSEILLE L/R. 5079 AC820 202/78
17.6.16	C.O. S.M.G.C.	Promoted to Sergeant	France	16.3.16	B213/AQ 7444 D.O. 6/2/44
29/7/16	Do.	Killed in Action	France	29/7/16	B 213/AQ 2715 D.O. 10/2/98 AP 21 53 19/8/16
ORIGINAL.-		Copy sent to A.I.F. Hd. Qrs.	London 20/9/16		

Handwritten notes:
 Awarded the VICTORIACROSS.
 Most conspicuous bravery. During an attack on the enemy trenches he led his platoon with the greatest gallantry and courage. He was severely wounded by the enemy's machine gun fire, but he refused to leave his post until he had killed the enemy. He was then taken to hospital and died of his wounds on 17/3/16.
 He was posthumously promoted to Sergeant and awarded the Victoria Cross.
 He was posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross for his gallantry and courage in the attack on the enemy trenches on 17/3/16.
 He was posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross for his gallantry and courage in the attack on the enemy trenches on 17/3/16.
 He was posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross for his gallantry and courage in the attack on the enemy trenches on 17/3/16.

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form - Active Service.

5th Australian Machine Gun Coy.
(Late 15th Battalion)

Regimental Number 1352

Regiment or Corps

Rank Private Surname CASTLETON

Christian Name CLAUDE CHARLES

Religion

Age on Enlistment _____ years _____ months.

Enlisted (a) 10.3.15 Terms of Service (a) _____

Service reckons from (a) _____

Date of promotion to present rank _____

Date of appointment to lance rank _____

Extended { } Re-engaged { } Qualification (b) _____

or Corps Trade and Rate _____

Signature of Officer i/c Records, _____

Remarks

Date	Report		Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 96, or other official documents
	From whom received				
19.9.15	1st Aust. Inf. Bg. Str.				
19.9.15	S. S. Newcastle	Proceeded to join M.E.F. to Hospital Ship	Saïppli Immule	16.9.15	
19.9.15	1st Aust. Hospital	Admitted	Saïppli Immule	15.9.15	C.3558 D.O. 22/1892
19.9.15	1st Aust. Hospital	Admitted	Saïppli Immule	15.9.15	A 10495
2.10.15	1st Aust. Hospital	Admitted	Nelopoï	19.9.15	A 10665 D.O. 16/1352
25.10.15	N.Z. A. General Hospital	Discharged to duty	Abbaesia	27.9.15 2.10.15	C.3686 (C.3684/1936 D.O. 23/204)
13.11.15	1st Royal Leger	Embarked for Overseas	Nelouan	22.10.15	C.427426 D.O. 33/3464
12.12.15	60. 18 th Batta	Reported for duty	Alexandria	8.11.15	1st Aust. Inf. Bg. 172
1.1.16	60. 18 th Batta	To be CORPORAL. see Repatriation transferred to supplementary list	Saïppli Immule	8.12.15	B.213 D.O. 5/191
		Disembarked to Mudros at Alexandria	Mudros	7.12.15	B.213 D.O. 8/393
				9.1.16	D.3359

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered. [P.T.O.]
(b) Signaller, Shoelace-Smith, & Co. (C.B. 120) W. 12015-2156 J. P. & Co., Ltd. Form B. 1033.

Date	Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 313, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 313, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
	From whom received					
20.1.16	CO 18th Batta.	to Hospital		banal zone	27.1.16	B212/AP2744
29.1.16	8th Field Ambul.	Malaria. Transferred to No. 2 A.C.C.S. Admitted.		Semalia	27.1.16	A36/C5606
29.1.16	No. 2. Amb. Station	Spd to Aus. Staty. Hospital		banal zone	28.1.16	A36/C5612
29.1.16	14th Aus. Staty. Hospital	Malaria Admitted		Semalia	29.1.16	W3024/R1578 D.O. 14/1982
16.2.16	10th Aus. Staty. Hospital	Discharged to Duty		Semalia	16.2.16	W3024/R.2524 D.O. 20/1562
19.2.16	CO 18th Batta.	Rejoined from Hospital		banal zone	17.2.16	F212/AP24670 D.O. 22/1657
26.2.16	CO 18th Batta.	to be Temp. SERGEANT vice Woodhouse evac. sick		banal zone	20.2.16	B212/AP 5158 D.O. 23/1794
17.3.16	CO 5th A.M. Gun Co.	Taken on strength from 18th Batta. Proceeded to join P. & F.		Marseilles	8.3.16	AC 820 D03/78
		Disembarked at		Marseilles	17.3.16	
17.6.16	CO 5th AM Gun Co	Promoted to SERGEANT		France	23.3.16	L R 5079
29.7.16	CO 5th AM Gun Co	Killed in Action		France	16.3.16	B212/AP 2744 D.O. 6/240
				France	29.7.16	B212/AP 2745 D.O. 10/298 VL53 10/8/16

Keenan Lieutenant
for 16 Australian Heavy Section
3rd Echelon, 4th Bn., P.C.S.

C A S T L E T O N

Claude Charles (Pte)

D/18th Btn.

Sur-name.

Regimental No.

Unit.

Other Names.

PURPORT.

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Embarked at Sydney over H.M.A.T. A40 "CERAMIC" on 25/6/15.

15.9.15 Tfd 1st A C C S to Hos Ship Anzac

2.10.15 Adm 4th Aux Hos 27.9.15 and tfd Helouan

22.10.15 Dis A & NZ Conv Hos to duty

8-12-16. Returned to Gall. Penin.

7-12-16. To be Cpl. vice Kilpatrick to super. list.

29-1-16. Adm. 1st A.S.H. Ismalia.

27-1-16. Adm. to Hos. from Unit/

18-2-16. Dis. 1st A.S.H. to duty.

17-2-16. Reported from Hos.

20-2-16. To be Temp. Sgt. vie Woodhouse Evac, sick on

8/1/16

8-3-16. Trans. to 5th Inf. Bde. M.G. Coy.

"London Gazette" 26/9/16. Awarded the VICTORIA CROSS for:

Most conspicuous bravery.

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MEFO 8/1-16

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AUTHORITY.

8-3-16 Taken on strength of 5th Inf. Bde M.G. Coy from 18/Btr. REFO 3/2-16
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5th BRIGADE MACHINE GUN COMPANY 1st AIF QUALIFIED FOR 1914-15 STAR AND BRITISH WAR MEDAL

AND VICTORY MEDAL

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CASTLETON. C.C. No. 10899.

I hereby acknowledge receipt of one package, No. 1352, being the effects of the late Mr.

Castleton G.C.

5th M. G. Coy

W. I. F.

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Signature J. C. Castleton

Address 18 Wilson Road

5th Lowestoft

Suffolk

Date April 25th 1917

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THE OFFICER IN CHARGE,
THE A.I.F. KIT STORE,
110, GREYHOUND ROAD,
FULHAM,

LONDON, S.W.

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Communication, dated 15/5/24, from Mr.C.G.Payne,
2 Torkington Street, Casterton Road, Stamford,
Lincolnshire, England, re award of V.C.

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 State of London
 Date 12.11.1916

Claud Charles Castleton, V.C.
 1352. Sgt. 5th M.G.Co.
 Thomas Charles Castleton, 18 Wilson Rd.
 Lowestoft.
 5/- p.f. Com. 30.7.16.

Deputy Commissioner of Pensions
 at AUSTRALIA HOUSE, STRAID, W.C. 2
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FOR VALOUR

Sgt C. C. Castleton, VC

A SOLDIER who deliberately crawled out into the flare-lit machine-gun raked no-man's-land of a Pozieres battlefield on three separate occasions to rescue wounded comrades, was awarded the Victoria Cross for his valour.

Despite the intensity of enemy fire, he succeeded in bringing two comrades to safety without sustaining injury himself, but on his third foray, while carrying another soldier to allied lines, he was hit in the back and killed instantly.

He was Sgt Claud Castleton, whose posthumous award was gazetted on September 26, 1916.

Events leading to the action began with an ill-fated night attack, which failed because of planning faults, the enemy's alertness and the severity of enemy reaction.

The attack was to be delivered by the 17th, 18th, and 20th Battalions against a section of the enemy lines known as the "O.G. Trenches" on Pozieres Heights.

Makeshift "jumping-off" arrangements, without a covering barrage, led to the enemy detecting waves of troops as they moved across an open basin in front of the objective, in order to be within easy striking distance of the trenches after the conclusion of a one-minute intense barrage on O.G.1 shortly after midnight on July 28, 1916.

The Germans, who regularly sent up flares over this part of the battlefield, quickly spotted the advance.

The enemy immediately opened fire. Flares began to rise thickly; other machine-guns came into action and soon afterwards a barrage of high explosive, phosgene gas and tear-gas shells began to fall.

All movement was completely stopped. Parties tried to advance by crawling from crater to crater, but by now the flares had turned the night into day.

Machine-gun fire was so fierce that zero hour arrived and passed without the slightest hope of advancing.

For three hours the troops lay out in this withering fire, until their withdrawal an hour before dawn.

The 5th Brigade casualties amounted to six officers and 140 men, mostly in the 20th Battalion.

It was under these terrible conditions, while waiting for withdrawal, that Sgt Castleton, serving with 5th Machine Gun Company, AIF, sacrificed his life for wounded comrades.



• Pic courtesy Australian War Memorial.
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Claud Castleton was born at South Lowestoft, in Suffolk, England, on April 12, 1893.

He migrated to Australia in 1912, aged 19, and when war broke out was living in Port Moresby.

Enlisting immediately, he was placed in charge of native troops for coastal defence duties.

In March 1915, Sgt Castleton returned to Sydney and enlisted in the AIF.

He served with the 18th Battalion on Gallipoli and was promoted corporal after the evacuation.

On March 8 he transferred to 5th Machine Gun Company and was confirmed in the rank of sergeant on March 16.

Sgt Castleton was buried in the Pozieres British Cemetery, Ovillers-la-Boiselle.

that badly chosen patterns could be more conspicuous than plain colours in the Australian environment.

In the aviation trial against aerial observation, only camouflage netting draped over the whole aircraft was more effective than the colour pattern selected.

Soldiers honoured

CANBERRA: The 1980 Australia Day Honours List included awards to 12 soldiers.

Six have been made Members of the Order of Australia — Military Division — and six were awarded the Medal of the Order.

The new Members of the Order are: Col B. G. Florence, Officer Cadet School; Col D. W. Hanlin, Deputy Director Accommodation and Works; Col J. N. Stein, Logistics Branch, Canberra; Col P. D. Lipscombe, Directorate of Army Training, Canberra; Lt-Col E. R. Brown, Headquarters Field Force Command; and Lt-Col E. P. Constantine, School of Survey.

Those awarded the Medal of the Order are: Capt J. E. Cotton, Headquarters 4th Military District; WO1 T. E. Gilliver, 2nd Military District Personnel Depot; WO1 N. O. Jensen, Puckapunyal Workshop Company; WO1 R. J. May, Land Warfare Centre; WO1 T. E. Webster, 1st Military Police Company; and WO2 M. J. Beck, 2nd Training Group.

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United States Government on procurement of the M198 155 mm Howitzer have now been completed.

The guns, plus accessories and spare parts, will cost approximately \$16-million and are expected to enter service in 1983.

Mr Newman said that work was already proceeding on expansion of shell-forging and machining equipment at the Ordnance Factory, Maribyrnong, Victoria, at a cost of about \$8-million.

This will allow the manufacture in Australia of the ammunition for this and other heavy calibre guns.

Gun tractors and support vehicles are also intended to be purchased from local suppliers.

The American howitzer was selected after detailed trials and assessment by the Australian Army.

It will replace the 5.5 inch guns which have been used by the Army since World War 2.

These weapons have become difficult and expensive to maintain.

Adoption of the 155 mm calibre for medium

allies.

It will benefit 155 mm family of proved conventional canon-launched

The M198 has 5.5 inch guns it

Conventional s a range of 24 km 16.8 km, but the the M198 is capab up to 30 km.

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Memorial restored

SYDNEY: Restoration of the Royal Australian Regiment extensively damaged by vandals late last year, is n

The repair work was completed by sculptor Mr Dennis Adams, who originally created the statues.

Parts of two bronze figures representing soldiers of the Royal Australian Regiment in action were broken off and taken from the Memorial site, in Regimental Square, last November.

A City Council employee found

some of the parts, but others had to be remoulded.

Mr Adams told ARMY that, fortunately, he had retained casts of the head of the Korean War soldier and his Bren gun.



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POZIERES BRITISH CEMETERY.

GRAVES REGISTRATION UNITS.
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		(Report Pozieres 4.16E)			
5/ANG.2/AIF.	1352	✓ CASTLETON (VC)	Sgt.	C.C.	29.7.16.
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		<i>Plot 4, Row L, Grave 43.</i>			

Original in file of Lt. BATEMAN. H.P.

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Statement No. 90.

Date 15.5.17.

(This statement contains 21 sheets.)

Statement of WAR PENSION CLAIMS (MILITARY) which have been determined.

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- 1. Full name of Member of Forces in respect of whose death or incapacity pension was claimed A.1697.Y.1. ...
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Claud Charles Castleton, V.C.

1352, Sergeant. 5th Machine Gun Co.

Thomas Charles Castleton, 18, Wilson Rd., Lowestoft.

Father.

Claimant has adequate means. £10 received was a present.

Claud Charles Castleton V.C.

1352, Sergeant, 5th Machine Gun Co.

Edith Lucy Castleton (above address)

Mother.

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Statement No. 177

Date 18 JAN 1918

(This statement contains 47 sheets.)

Statement of WAR PENSION CLAIMS (MILITARY) which have been determined.

State of LONDON

- 1. Full name of Member of Forces in respect of whose death or incapacity pension was claimed
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- 2. Member's number, rank, and unit
P. A. 5722
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- 4. Relationship of such person to Member of Forces
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Claud Charles Castleton. V.C.

1352, Sgt. N.Y. 5th M.G.Co.

Edith Lucy Castleton, 18 Wilson Rd. Lowestoft

Mother

5/- p.f. Com. 30.7.16.

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9 - APR 1925

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of 31st March enquiring the burial location of two of your comrades, and in reply to inform you that according to official advice received from the Imperial War Graves Commission the remains of the late No. 1173 Spr. A.E. Lee, 2nd Div. Sig. Coy. are interred in the Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery (Plot 24, Row F, Grave 16), situated 2 miles South West of Poperinghe, Belgium, and those of the late No. 1352 Sergeant C.O. Castleton, V.C., 5th M.G. Coy., in the Pozieres British Cemetery (Plot 4, Row L, Grave 43), near Albert, France.

Yours faithfully,

Captain,
Officer i/c Base Records.

Mr. A. McKay,
158 Blues Pt. Road,
NORTH SYDNEY, N.S.W.

E.B.
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.



110, GREYHOUND ROAD,
FULHAM, LONDON, S.W.

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KIT STORE.

Inventory of Effects of— the late 1352 Pte. Casleton, C.C. 18th Batt'n. A.I.F.

Forwarded to— FATHER
T.C. Castleton,
18, Wilson Road,
Suffolk,
England.

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Effects.

1x. Kit Store.) Bible, 3 Handkerchiefs.

RECD FROM AIF.H.Q.
P.E. NOT HANDLED BY B.P.

No. of Package D/S. 7488

Checked by, *[Signature]*

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Inventory of Effects of— The Late. No.1352 Pte. Castleton, C.O. 5th M.G.Coy., A.I.F.
Late 18th Batt 'n.

Forwarded to— (Father).

Mr. T.C. Castleton,
18, Wilson Road,
Stn. Lowestoft,
Suffolk,
ENGLAND.

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Effects:—

Ex. Kit Store.) Bible, 3 Handkerchiefs.

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-----2nd MILITARY DISTRICT -----

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District Pay Office,
Victoria Barracks,
SYDNEY .

Officer in Charge,
Base Records,
MELBOURNE .

December 20th 1917.

re 1352 Pte C.C. Castleton V.C. late 5th Machine Gun
COY.

I shall be glad if you will please forward Will of the
abovenamed deceased soldier to this Office, if same be in your
possession.

Yours faithfully
(Signed)
for District Paymaster
2nd Military District

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D. P. M.
2nd M. D.

The Will of the abovenamed deceased soldier was
forwarded to you on 18.10.17 .

MELBOURNE
31.12.1917

for Officer i/c Base Records. *Signat.*

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In the event of my death I give the whole of my
property & effects to Mr. T.Castleton,

18, Wilson Rd.,

S.Lowestoff,

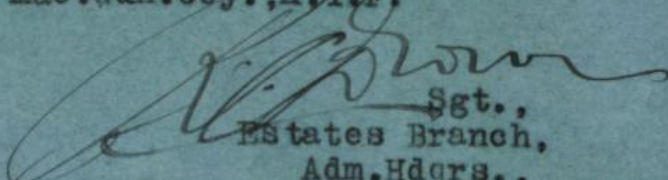
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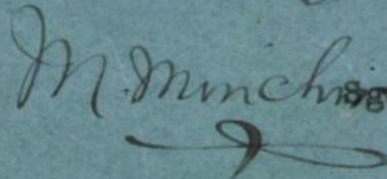
C.Castleton,
Private No.1352.
A.I.F.

Aug. 19th 1915.

Certified to be a true copy of the Will of No.1352
Sgt. Castleton, C.C. 5th Mac.Gun.Coy., A.I.F.


Sgt.,
Estates Branch,
Adm.Hdqs.,
London.

Checked.


Sgt.,

No. 31921.

18 Wilson Road.
5th Lowestoft
Suffolk
England.



3-4-17.

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of
Jan 18th 1917. relating to the conspicuous bravery of
my late son No 1352. Sergeant Claud. Charles. Castleton. V.C.
5th Infantry Brigade Machine Gun Company.

Please accept our thanks

Yours Faithfully
Thomas. Charles. Castleton.

The Officer in charge of Base Records.
Victoria Barracks.
Melbourne Australia.

James Morgan
1/10

MGC/1352
NSW

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BASE RECORDS OFFICE, A.I.F.
18th January, 1917.

31921

Dear Sir,

I have much pleasure in forwarding herewith copy of extract from First Supplement No. 29765 to the London Gazette of 26th September, 1916, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by your son, the late No. 1352, Sergeant C. C. Castleton, 5th Infantry Brigade Machine Gun Company.

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AWARDED THE VICTORIA CROSS.

"HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to award the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned non-commissioned officer :-

No. 1352, Sergeant CLAUDE CHARLES CASTLETON.

For most conspicuous bravery. During an attack on the enemy's trenches the infantry was temporarily driven back by the intense machine-gun fire opened by the enemy. Many wounded were left in "No Man's Land," lying in shell holes.

Sergeant Castleton went out twice in face of this intense fire, and each time brought in a wounded man on his back.

He went out a third time, and was bringing in another wounded man, when he himself was hit in the back, and killed instantly.

He set a splendid example of courage and self-sacrifice."

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The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette, No. 184 of 14th December, 1916.

Yours faithfully,

Major.

Officer i/c Base Records.

Mr. I. F. Castleton,
18 Wilson Road,

South Lowestoft,

National Archives of Australia

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FIELD SERVICE.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } 5th Australian Machine Gun Squadron.
 or } (~~late 18th Battalion~~) Troop, Battery
 CORPS } or Company

Regtl. No. 1352 Rank Sergeant.

Name CASTLETON Claude Charles

Died { Date 29th July 1916.
 Place In the Field, France.
 Cause of Death* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Army Form B. 213 dated 29th July 1916.

By whom made Officer Commanding, 5th Australian Machine Gun Company.

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place _____
 Date _____
 By whom reported _____

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not yet to hand.
 (b) in Small Book (if at Base) -----
 (c) as a separate document -----

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer as the case may require, together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge } Hewaman Lieutenant.
 of Section Adjutant-General's } Officer i/c Records.
 Office at the Base

Station and Date Reuen, France.
20th September 1916.

ANZAC SECTION, 3rd ECHELON, G.H.Q.
 B.E.F.

Wt. 12929/4141 400,000 12/15 JFW
 Form B 2090A

A.F.W. 3121.
Number.

5th Aust Inf Bde

2nd Aust Div.

1st Anzac Corps

26/8/16.

Action for which commended

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Honour or
Reward.

5th Aust 1352 Sgt
M.G.Coy. C.C.
CASTLETON.

For conspicuous gallantry and bravery on the night of the 28/7/16 N.E. of Pozieres when the Infantry made an attack on the German Trench. During the attack on the enemy trench the Infantry were temporarily driven back owing to intense machine gun fire. Many wounded were left lying in shell holes in No Man's Land. Whilst No Man's Land was still under intense M.G. and shrapnel fire, Sgt Castleton went out and twice brought in wounded men on his back; a third time he went out and was bringing in his third wounded man when he was hit in the back and killed instantly.

G.O.C.
5th Aust
Inf Bde.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 1352 ✓ **WAR GRATUITY SCHEDULE** D.V. / C. / 1 V.C.

Rank Sgt. ^{C.69411 C} Name CASTLETON C.C.

Unit 5th Brigade M.G. Coy. late 18th Btn.

Casualty 29.7.16 Killed in Action C.N. 344/1941 C 2nd London 30.8.16 18B
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17.2.16 Reported from Hoop Daily OP 2 22/1657 10th Alex 9.3.16 HR
18.2.16 Disch. N^o. AdH to duty 10 Orders P 2 20/1562 10th Alex 1.3.16 HR

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4.9.16	M.G. P ADVISED, KILLED IN ACTION. 29/7/16	
19-9-16	COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS	
26-9-16	Awarded Victoria Cross. C.N. 194/16 R.O. 580/16	
18.1.17	NOK advised above awarded V.C.	
	CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF Cable No. <u>W 13/2344 vide 2/2438 4/9/16</u>	
27.1.17	J.C. Huston asking re effects if <u>AD</u> would fund re to NOK 72	
18.10.17	"Will" to D.P.M. ^{2nd} M.D. in 20/1054	
	General B.R.M. 49/1367 - <u>Booklet re Graves despatches 20.7.19</u> <u>Jobs 30.7.20</u> <u>200</u>	
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