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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 98 Name Bonella James Henry  
 Unit 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt.  
 21 Batn  
 Joined on 18-1-15

*Handwritten notes and signatures on the right margin.*

### Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

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|---|-----|-----|--|
| 1. What is your Name?   | ... | ... | 1. <u>James Henry Bonella</u>  |
| 2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born?  | ... | ... | 2. In the Parish of <u>Castlemaine</u> in or near the Town of <u>Maldon</u> in the County of <u>Victoria</u> |
| 3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.)   | ... | ... | 3. <u>Nat. Born Brit. Subjt.</u>   |
| 4. What is your age?  | ... | ... | 4. <u>30</u>   |
| 5. What is your trade or calling?   | ... | ... | 5. <u>Picture frame maker</u>  |
| 6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period?  | ... | ... | 6. <u>no</u>   |
| 7. Are you married?...  | ... | ... | 7. <u>Yes</u>  |
| 8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated)  | ... | ... | 8. <u>Wife: Blige Boncher Bonella. Bank St. Avenel. Victoria.</u>  |
| 9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power?   | ... | ... | 9. <u>no</u>   |
| 10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incorrigible 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. <u>no</u>  |
| 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. <u>no</u>  |
| 12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service?  | ... | ... | 12. <u>—</u>   |
| 13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds?   | ... | ... | 13. <u>—</u>   |
| 14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)— Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you after embarkation during your term of service?                                   | ... | ... | 14. <u>Yes</u>   |
| 15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever?  | ... | ... | 15. <u>Yes</u>   |

I, James Henry Bonella 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~~ <sup>two-fifths</sup> of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my ~~wife~~ <sup>wife & children</sup> wife and children.

Date 18/1/15

James Henry Bonella  
Signature of person enlisted.

D. 577/1.15.—C. 602.

\* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.  
 † Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

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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 21/1/15

C.A. Dalton

Signature of Attesting Officer. Staff

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

3. Henry James Bonella swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 19 Jan 1915 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.

James Henry Bonella  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Dandenong in  
the State of Victoria  
this 19<sup>th</sup> day Jan of  
January 1915, before me—


A.B. Taylor J.P.  
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 Henry James Bonella on Enlistment.

Age 30 years 1 months  
Height 5 feet 5 3/4 inches  
Weight 183 lbs.  
Chest Measurement 33 3/4 inches  
Complexion Dark  
Eyes Green  
Hair Wavy  
Religious Denomination Baptist

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

 Heart over ulnar border of R. forearm

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 19 Jan 1915

Place Dandenong

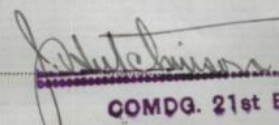
signed A. E. Taylor M.D.  
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

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 "A" Coy.

Date 4-5-15

Place Broadmeadows.

 **LIEUT.-COLONEL**  
**COMDG. 21st BATT<sup>e</sup> A. I. F.**  
Commanding

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Statement of Service of No. 98 Name Bonella, J. A.

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
21 <sup>st</sup> Batta	Pte			
6 <sup>th</sup> Me. G. Coy	"	15-9-14	14-9-14	Transf. B.R. 115/46 & Co

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

AN Coy D45698

AUSTRALIAN



MILITARY FORCES.

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 98 "u"  
 Name Bonella James Henry  
 Unit 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt. 6<sup>th</sup> Div. G. C.  
 Joined on 18-1-15

### Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... James Henry Bonella
  2. In the Parish of Castlemaine in or near the Town of Maldon in the County of Victoria
  3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... Yes Natural Born British Subject
  4. What is your age? ... 30
  5. What is your trade or calling? ... Welder. Frame Maker.
  6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... no
  7. Are you married? ... yes
  8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... Blaze Puncher Bank Street Dunedin
  9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... no
  10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incorrigible 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
  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 ... no
  12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... no
  13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... no
  14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)—  
 Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you after embarkation during your term of service? ... yes
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox & enteric fever? Yes

James Henry Bonella 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~~ wife and children.

Date 18/1/1915

James Henry Bonella  
 Signature of person enlisted

\* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.  
 † Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

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Casualty Form - Active Service.

Army Form B. 103.

Proceeded to 1st page 29/11/15

Page 1

Regiment or Corps 21st Battalion Gallipoli 29/11/15  
 Regimental No. 98 Rank Quack Name Bonella James Henry  
 Enlisted (a) 19/1/15 Terms of Service (a) Navy 4 yrs Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of promotion to present rank \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment to lance rank \_\_\_\_\_ Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extended \_\_\_\_\_ Re-engaged \_\_\_\_\_ Qualification (b) Picture frame maker

Date	From whom received	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.
		<u>Proceeded to 1st page</u>	<u>M.E.F. Camp</u>	<u>29.2.1915</u>	
<u>1/1/16</u>	<u>Emb. Off.</u>	<u>Disembarked at Wumpulbin from Mudros.</u>	<u>Alexandria</u>	<u>27/12/15</u>	<u>D. 3106</u>
<u>19/1</u>	<u>21 Bn</u>	<u>3 days pay, leave 4 days. Treatment camp of ill under quarantine and medically unfit. 4 days pay before 19/1/16.</u>	<u>Del el Heir</u>	<u>14/1/16</u>	<u>B. 213. <del>AD 11/1/16</del> <del>AD 1/1/16</del> 209/554-1915</u>
<u>19/1</u>	<u>21 Bn</u>	<u>PROCEEDED TO JOIN B.E.F. ENVA (A. 19) 1911. 19 TH. MAR. 1916</u>	<u>DISCHARGED MARCELES</u>	<u>28/1/16</u>	<u>L.R. 5088</u>
<u>20/5/16</u>	<u>21 Bn</u>	<u>Granting a dialittance in bullet. 14/5/16. 168 hrs no 2. P.P.</u>	<u>France.</u>	<u>15/5/16</u>	<u>AQ 403. O. 33/25/16.</u>
<u>18/7/16</u>	<u>21 Bn</u>	<u>Missing in action</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>2/8/16</u>	<u>AQ 2507. O. 58/3613 deleted by VL 53 17/6/16 06/6/2000 P.T.O.</u>

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

10. account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Servitude, or have you been dismissed in the Navy? ... no
11. to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Marines, the Militia, the Militia Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Force, and if not now serving, in what capacity? ... no
12. whole, if any, of your previous service? ... no
13. rejected as unfit for His Majesty's service, what grounds? ... no
14. (that no Separation Allowance will be issued on embarkation during your term of service? ... yes
- to undergo inoculation against smallpox & enteric fever? Yes

James Henry Bonella do solemnly declare that the above answers made are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

I agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service to my wife and children.

1/19/15  
James Henry Bonella  
Signature of person enlisted

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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.	Casualty Form		Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received		Place	Date	
12/9/16	21 Bow	Rejoined unit	France	2/8/16	AG 3214 066/580 VL 55 24/8/16
18.11.16	CO 21 Bow	As hospital sick	France	13.11.16	AB 213, AG 11158 079/6959
18.11.16	5077 A	Rejoined unit	do	13.11.16	AK 567/13
25.11.16	CO 21 Bow	Army sick	do	22.11.16	B 213 AG 11319 086/973
22.9.17	CO 21 Bow	Discharged transferred to 6th B. Coy	In the field	15.9.17	B 213 B 13/138 50 60/7805
29.10.17	CO 21 Bow	Rejoined Bow from detach.	do	25.10.17	B 213 B 13/143 5093 9751
15.12.17	do	To Hospital Sick	do	14.12.17	B 213/ B 13/150 50 70/8970
14.12.17	6077 A	Aux Stores Adm + fld	do	14.12.17	AK 1972/56
28.12.17	1144 A	do - back to duty	do	28.12.17	AK 2089/8
5.1.18	6021 B	Rejoined Battery	Belgium	29.12.17	B 213 B 13/153 50 1/32
23.5.18 C.C.	21 <sup>st</sup> BN.	WOUNDED IN ACTION	IN THE FIELD	19.5.18	B 213 B 13/173 VL 726
20.5.18	26 <sup>th</sup> Gen Hq	(L) and C. High Adm	France	20.5.18	AK 2072/114 0277250
20.5.18	26 <sup>th</sup> Gen Hq	(L) and C. High. Adm of Wounds	France	20.5.18	AK 2072/123 VL 728 8025-205
19.5.18	5 <sup>th</sup> Bn Hq	(L) " Adm	France	19.5.18	AK 2072/136 098

AUSTRALIAN SECTION  
3<sup>rd</sup> ECHELON G.H.Q., B.E.F. 9 AUG 1918

*James Henry Bonella*  
LIEUT.  
Officer in Records.

*James Henry Bonella*  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at DANDENONG in  
the State of Victoria  
this 19 day JAN 1915 of  
19 , before me—

*J. F. Taylor J. P.*  
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.



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 21-1-15

*Ed Daiton Lewis*  
Signature of Attesting Officer.  
*and Staff*

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

3, *Henry James Bonella* swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 19 JAN 1915 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.

*James Henry Bonella*  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at DANDENONG in the State of Victoria this 19 JAN 1915 day of 19, before me—

*A. F. Taylor J. P.*  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

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Regimental Enlisted (a) Date of present Extended

Report Date

1/1/16  
15/1

4  
5  
20/2/16  
18/5/16

(a) in the case (b) e.g. Signal

M. N.

Army Form B, 103-11.  
Part II.

(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment or Corps 21st. BATTALION Regimental Number 98

\*Substantive Rank Pte. Surname BONELLA Christian Names James Henry

\*Acting Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
(\* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

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W1889-PP1150 505,000 5/18 G.W.P.Co (3499)

(A) Report		(B) Authority of Part II. of Orders	(C) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive promotions to be shown, for method of entry of which see A.C. 184 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, &c.	(F) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
Date.	From whom received.					
1/1/16	Emb. Off.		Proc. to join M.E.F.	Gallipoli	29/8/15.	
15/1/16	21st. Bn. CO		Disembarked ex "Winifredian" from Mudros	Alexandria	27/12/15.	
			OFFENCE overstaying leave 4 days. Br eaking Camp when under open arrest.	Tel-el-Kebir	14/1/16.	D09/554.
			AWARD automatically forfeits 4 days pay. 6 days P.P. No. 2 by CO 21st. Bn. 14/1/16.			
20/3/16	CO 21st. Btn.		Proc. to join BEF ex Disembarked	Alexandria	19/3/16.	
			OFFENCE Creating a disturbance in Billet 14/5/17.	Marseilles	26/3/16.	
5/8/16	21st. Bn. CO		AWARD 168 hrs. No. 2 F.P. Missing in action	France	15/5/16.	D033/2516 Co. D065/5580
12/8/16	CO 21st. Bn.		Rejoined Unit	France	3/8/16.	D058/3613. V.L. 53.
18/11/16	CO 21st. Bn.		To Hospital sick	France	3/8/16.	D065/5500 V.L. 55.
18/11/16	5th. A.F.A.		Bruised Foot. Adm.	France	13/11/16.	D079/6859
25/11/16	CO 21st. Bn.		From sick	do	13/11/16.	
22/9/17	CO 21st. Bn.		Detached to 6th. M.G. Co.	do	22/11/16.	D080/6973
27/10/17	CO 21st. Bn.		Rejoined Bn. from detach.	Field	15/9/17.	D060/7805.
15/12/17	do		To Hospital sick	do	25/10/17.	D073/9251
14/12/17	6th. AFA		Aux. Abscess. Adm. & 1fd.	do	14/12/17.	D070/8970

Date 19 JAN 1915

Place DANDENONG

*A. S. J. M. D.*  
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

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 "A" Coy.

Date 4.5.15

Place Broadmeadows

*J. Hutchison*  
LIEUT.-COLONEL  
COMDG. 21st BATT<sup>s</sup> A. I. F.  
Commanding

28/12/17 61st.A.F.A. Aux.Abscess. Disch. to duty Field 28/12/17.  
 5/1/18 CO 21st.Bn. Rejoined Battn. Belgium 29/12/17.D01/32.  
 25/5/18 CO 21st.Bn. Wounded in action Field 19/5/18.V.L.726.  
 19/5/18 5th.A.F.Amb. S.W.Lt.High. Adm. France 19/5/18.  
 20/5/18 26th.Gen.Asp. S.W.Lt.High. Adm. Etaples 20/5/18.D027/2254  
 24/5/18 CO 26th.Gen.Asp. S.W.Lt.High. Died of Etaples 24/5/18.V.L.728.  
 Wounds. D028/2405.

AUSTRALIAN SECTION,  
 3rd Echelon G.H.C., B.E.F. Dated 29/8/18.

Syd. T. Bennett LIEUT.  
 For Officer i/c Records.

(A) Date	(A) Report From whom received	(B) Authority of Part II. of Orders	(C) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantiating promotions to be shown, for method of entry of which see A.C.I. 18th of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, &c.	(F) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
						913

Nothing to be written in this margin.

6" M.G. Coy.	(Pte) Attached for duty with 6" M.G. Coy. from 21 <sup>st</sup> Bn.	France.	15.9.17	
" "	(Pte) Ceases to be attached to 6" M.G. Coy. on rejoining 21 <sup>st</sup> Bn.	France.	24.10.17	DD 35/1031. 14.11.17.
6" M.G. Coy.	(Pte) To Hosp. sick.	France	14.12.17	DD 70/8970. 24.12.17
	(Pte) Rej: Bn. from detachment to 6" M.G. Coy.	" "	25.10.17.	21 <sup>st</sup> Bn DD 43/925 31.12.17.
	(Pte) Rej: Bn from sick France.	" "	29.12.17.	DD 1/32. 18.1.18. 21 <sup>st</sup> Bn Order
	Crime del. at Stebr. Oversteering leave 4. days time not stated		14.1.16.	DD 9/554. (21 <sup>st</sup> Bn Order)
	Wounded 6 days F.P. No 2. by B.C. 21 <sup>st</sup> Bn A.F.			18.2.18.
	Forfeiture under R.W. 4 days pay total pay: 10 days pay.			

**DIED OF WOUNDS** *red in Action*

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

Buried at Etaples Mil Cemetery, France Etaples 24.5.18.

(21<sup>st</sup> Bn 1910) Adm to S. of C. Hosp. ex F. M. unit. France 20.5.18  
 Wounded 24/5/18.

Photograph of grave sent by D.C. R. Co.

To Mrs. Charron-good, Fernhill, Victoria, Australia

Correct Place of Burially Calvary

Photos sent N. of R. from B.E.F. Records

Para a/21/10231


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19028/2405 10/11

Description of Henry James Bonella on Enlistment.

Age 30 years 1 months  
 Height 5 feet 5 3/4 inches  
 Weight 123 lbs.  
 Chest Measurement 33 3/4 inches  
 Complexion Dark  
 Eyes Brown  
 Hair Wavy  
 Religious Denomination Baptist

## DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

 Heart over ulnar border of right forearm.

## CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

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

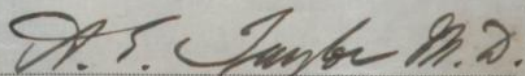
Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, 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 19 JAN 1915

Place DANDENONG



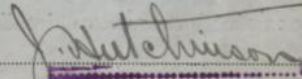
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

## 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 A" Coy.

Date 4-5-15

Place Broadmeadows

 LIEUT.-COLONEL

COMDG. 21st BATT<sup>s</sup> A. I. F.

Commanding

Entitled 1914/15 *and* *Spine*

Statement of Service of No. 98 Name Bonella James Henry

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
21 <sup>st</sup> Batt.	Private	18.1.15		
<i>Nil</i>	7 days F.P. log at Tel-el-Kebir			
<i>Corrigendum</i>	<i>Deleted by Terrificandum DD9/553. 18.2.18.</i> Delete DD9/410 in lieu thereof read: Overstaying leave 4 days Breaking camp while under open arrest 7 days F.P. 7/02 <i>Deleted by DD9/553. 18.2.18.</i>	12.1.16	18.2.18	Pt 266.410 27/1/16
	Creating a disturbance in billet. 14.5.16 - 168 hrs F.P. 7102. 15.5.16			Pt 2516 2.6.16
<b>MISSING</b>				
	in action France	2.8.16		Pt 2 5413 24.8.16
	Rejoined Unit in action France	3.8.16		Pt 2 5413 24.8.16
21 <sup>st</sup> Batt	To Hosp Sick	France	13-11-16.	Pt 2 74/6759 6-12-16
21 <sup>st</sup> Batt	Rejrd Bn from Hospital	France	23.11.16.	Pt 2 80/6943. 15/12/16
	Pte. Trans. from 21 <sup>st</sup> Bn A.I.F. to 6 <sup>th</sup> M. G. Coy. A. I.F.	"	15.9.17	Do 54/6824 3.10.17
6 <sup>th</sup> M.G. Coy.	(Pte) Attached for duty with 6 <sup>th</sup> M.G. Coy. from 21 <sup>st</sup> Bn.	France.	15.9.17	I Do. 34/921. 25.10.17.
" "	(Pte) Ceases to be attached to 6 <sup>th</sup> M.G. Coy. on rejoining 21 <sup>st</sup> Bn.	France.	24.10.17	DD 35/1031. 14.11.17.
6 <sup>th</sup> M.G. Coy.	(Pte) To Hosp. sick.	France	14.12.17	DD 70/8970. 24.12.17
	(Pte) Ref: Bn. from detachment to 6 <sup>th</sup> M.G. Coy.	" "	25.10.17.	21 <sup>st</sup> Bn DD 43/9257 31.12.17.
	(Pte) Ref: Bn from sick France.	" "	29.12.17.	DD 1/32. 12.1.18. 21 <sup>st</sup> Bn Order
	Crime Tel-el-Kebir. Overstaying leave 4 days (2) Breaking camp while under open arrest. quarantined 6 days F.P. No 2. 4480. 21 <sup>st</sup> Bn AIF Forfeiture under R.W. 4 days pay total for: 10 days pay.		14.1.16. 18.2.18.	DD9/554. (21 <sup>st</sup> Bn) Order

**DIED OF WOUNDS** *res in Action*

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.  
Buried at, *Staples* *24.5.18* *21<sup>st</sup> Bn*

Adm to L. of C. Hosp. ex F. M. Unit. France 20.5.18  
*wounded 29/5/18*

Photograph of grave sent by D.C. R. Co. *21<sup>st</sup> Bn*  
To Mrs. *Shannon* good, *Leinhill*, Victoria, Australia *21<sup>st</sup> Bn*  
*Correct place of Casualty* *21/10/231*

No. 98 Name of Bonella  
 Date of last entry in Company Conduct Sheet  
 Sq., Batty, or Company  
 A  
 Corps 21st Battalion A.I.F.  
 Date of enlistment 19.1.15  
 Signature O.C. Company, etc.  
 G.C. Badges  
 Service or Proficiency Pay  
 Character  
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Place	Date of offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	Offence	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	Remarks
Belopohi	3.7.15	P		(Particular of offence not on register)	W. J. Dwyer	admonished	13.1.16	Attd. Butcher	perfect & sharp
devel. Sdn	13.1.16	P		Disobeying laws & breaking camp & interfering with medical & physical good order	W. J. Dwyer	6 days 1/2 P.P.	13.1.16	Attd. Butcher	
Zone of march	7.16	P		secondary accepting	W. J. Dwyer	7 days 1/2 P.P.	15.5.16	Attd. Butcher	
Zone of march	14.5.16	P		breaching discipline in belt	W. J. Dwyer	7 days 1/2 P.P.	15.5.16	Attd. Butcher	
				Checked with Records 20.2.1918					
				SECTION, 3rd ECHELON C.I.Q. DEF.					

98 James Henry Bonella

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Place	Date of offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	Offence	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	Remarks
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COPY.

France,

13/8/16.

Dear Lila,

Just a few lines to let you know that I am well and happy. Things are just the same. You will be pleased to know that Jim is in France with our Battalion again. I have not seen him yet but hope to see him in a few days.

Love to all,

I remain your loving husband,

JIM.



M.W.

Army Form B, 103-11, Part II.

(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment or Corps 21st. BATTALION  
\*Substantive Rank Pte. Surname BONELLA Christian Names James Henry  
Regimental Number 98

\*Acting Rank  
(\* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

(A) Report		(B) Authority of Part II. of Orders	(C) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive promotions to be shown, for method of which see A.C.I. 18/10/17. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, &c.	(F) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
Date.	From whom received					
1/1/16	Emb. Off.		Proc. to join M.E.F. Disembarked ex "Winifredian" from Mudros	Gallipoli 29/8/15. Alexandria 27/12/15.		
15/1/16	21st. Bn. CO		OFFENCE overstaying leave 4 days. Br eaking Camp when Tel-el-Kebr under open arrest. AWARD automatically forfeits 4 days pay. 6 days F.P. No. 2 by CO 21st. Bn. 14/1/16. Proc. to join BEF ex Disembarked	Tel-el-Kebr 14/1/16. D09/554.		
20/5/16	CO 21st. Btn.		OFFENCE Creating a disturbance in Billet 14/5/17. AWARD 168 hrs. No. 2 F.P. Missing in action	France 15/5/16. D033/2516 Marseilles 26/3/16.		
5/8/16	21st. Bn. CO		Rejoined Unit	France 3/8/16. D058/3613. France 3/8/16. D065/5500		
12/8/16	CO 21st. Bn.		Rejoined Unit	France 13/11/16. D079/6859 do 13/11/16. do 22/11/16. D080/6973 do 15/9/17. D060/7805. do 25/10/17. D073/9251 do 14/12/17. D070/8970		
18/11/16	CO 21st. Bn.		To Hospital sick			
18/11/16	5th. A.F.A.		Bruised Foot. Adm.			
25/11/16	CO 21st. Bn.		From sick			
22/9/17	CO 21st. Bn.		Detached to 6th. M.G. Co.			
27/10/17	CO 21st. Bn.		Rejoined Btn. from detach.			
15/12/17	do		To Hospital sick			
14/12/17	6th. AFA		Aux. Abscess. Adm. & 1fd.	do		

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28/12/17 61st. A.F.A. Aux. Abscess. Disch. to duty Field 28/12/17.  
 5/1/18 CO 21st. Bn. Rejoined Pattn. Belgium 29/12/17. D01/32.  
 25/5/18 CO 21st. Bn. Wounded in action France 19/5/18. V.L. 726  
 19/5/18 5th. A.F. Amb. S.W.Lt. Thigh. Adm. 19/5/18.  
 20/5/18 26th. Gen. Hosp. S.W.Lt. Thigh. Adm. 20/5/18. D027/2254  
 24/5/18 CO 26th. Gen. Hosp. S.W.Lt. Thigh. Died of 24/5/18. V.L. 728.  
 Wounds. D028/2405.

AUSTRALIAN SECTION, Syd. T. Bennett LIEUT.  
 3rd. Echelon G.H.Q., B.E.F. Dated 29/8/18. For Officer i/c Records.

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	
Date.	Report From whom received	Authority of Part II. of Orders	Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive promotions to be shown, for method of entry of which see A.C.I. 1816 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	Place of casualty	Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, &c.	Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer

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 photograph of grave:-  
 Buried Etaples Military  
 Cemetery.

*g/b*

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Army Form B. 103.

Regimental Number 98

*2nd Div. 4 Coy.*

**Casualty Form - Active Service.**

Regiment or Corps 21st. BATTALION. A. I. F.

Rank **Private.** Surname **BONELLA.**

Christian Name **James Henry.**

Religion ..... Age on Enlistment ..... years ..... months

Enlisted (a) **19.1.15.** Terms of Service **War. & 4 months** service reckons from (a) .....

Date of promotion to present rank ..... Date of appointment to lance rank .....

Extended { ..... } Re-engaged { ..... } Qualification (b) **Picture Frame Maker.**

Occupation { ..... } or Corps Trade and rate .....

Signature of Officer .....

Date	Report		Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
	From whom received				
1.1.16.	Emb. Officer.	Proceeded to join M.E.F. at Gallipoli. 29.8.15.			
15.1.16.	C.O. 21st. Btn.	Disembarked ex Wimpedian from Mudros at Alexandria. 27.12.15. D. 3106.			
		OFFENCE. Overstaying leave 4 days. Breaking Camp whilst under open arrest.			14.1.16. B213. D. 0.9/554. 1918.
		AWARD. 6 days F.P. No. 2. by C.O. 21st. Bn. 14.1.16. Automatically forfeits 4 days pay.			
		Proceeded to join B.E.F. ex Alexandria. 19.3.16.			
		Disembarked at Marseilles. 26.3.16.			L.R. 5088.
20.5.16.	C.O. 21st. Btn.	OFFENCE. Creating a disturbance in billet. 14.5.16.			15.5.16. AQ. 403.
		AWARD. 168 hours No. 2. F.P.			D. 0.33/2516.

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged by, or enlisted into, Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.  
 (b) Signaller: Shewing Smith, & Co.  
 W. 1025-31273 2000m 9/17 (3501). C. P. & S., Ltd., Form B. 103 5/1927. P.T.O.

Date		Report From whom received		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., 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 of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
5.8.16.	C.O.21st.Btn.	Missing in Action.	France.	3.8.16.	AQ.2507.V.L.53.17.8.16. D.O.58/3613.Deleted by D.O.65/5500.		
12.8.16.	C.O.21st.Btn.	Rejoined Battalion.	France.	<del>12.11.16.</del> 3.8.16.	B.213.AQ11158.AQ3214. VL55.24.8.16.D.O.65/5500.		
8.11.16.	C.O.21st.Btn.	To Hospital Sick.	France.	13.11.16.	B.213.AQ11158.D.O.79/6859.		
do	5th.A.F.Amb.	Bruised Foot. Admitted.	do	do	A.K.567/13.		
25.11.16.	C.O.21st.Btn.	From Sick.	do	22.11.16.	B.213.AQ11319.D.O.80/6973.		
22.9.17.	do	Detached to 6th.M.G.Coy. In the Field.	In the Field.	15.9.17.	B.213.B13/38.D.O.60/7805.		
27.10.17.	do	Rejd Btn from Detachment.	do	25.10.17.	B.213.B13/43.D.O.73/9251.		
15.12.17.	do	To Hospital Sick.	do	12.12.17.	B.213.B13/50.D.O.70/8970.		
14.12.17.	6th.A.F.Amb.	Aux.Abscess.Adm & Tranfd	do	do	A.K.1972/56.		
28.12.17.	11th.A.F.Amb.	do do Discharged to Duty.	do	28.12.17.	A.K.2088/8.		
5.1.18.	C.O.21st.Btn.	Rejoined Battalion.	Belgium.	29.12.17.	B.213.B13/53.D.O.2/32.		
25.5.18.	do	Wounded in Action.	In the field.	19.5.18.	B.213.B13/73.V.L.726		
19.5.18.	5th.A.F.Amb.	S.W.Lt.Thigh. Admitted.	France.	do	A.K.2572/136.		
20.5.18.	26th.Gen.Hosp.	do do do	Etaples.	20.5.18.	A.K.2572/114.D.O.27/2254.		
24.5.18.	CO.26th.G.Hosp.Sw.Lt.	Thigh.Died of Wounds.	Etaples.	24.5.18.	A.K.2572/123.V.L.728.		
		<i>Inj. sent forwarded to London 24/9/18</i>	<i>Serial to 19/368</i>		D.O.28/2405.		
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Lieut.  
For Officer i/c Records.

*M*



6/8/16

Somewhere in France

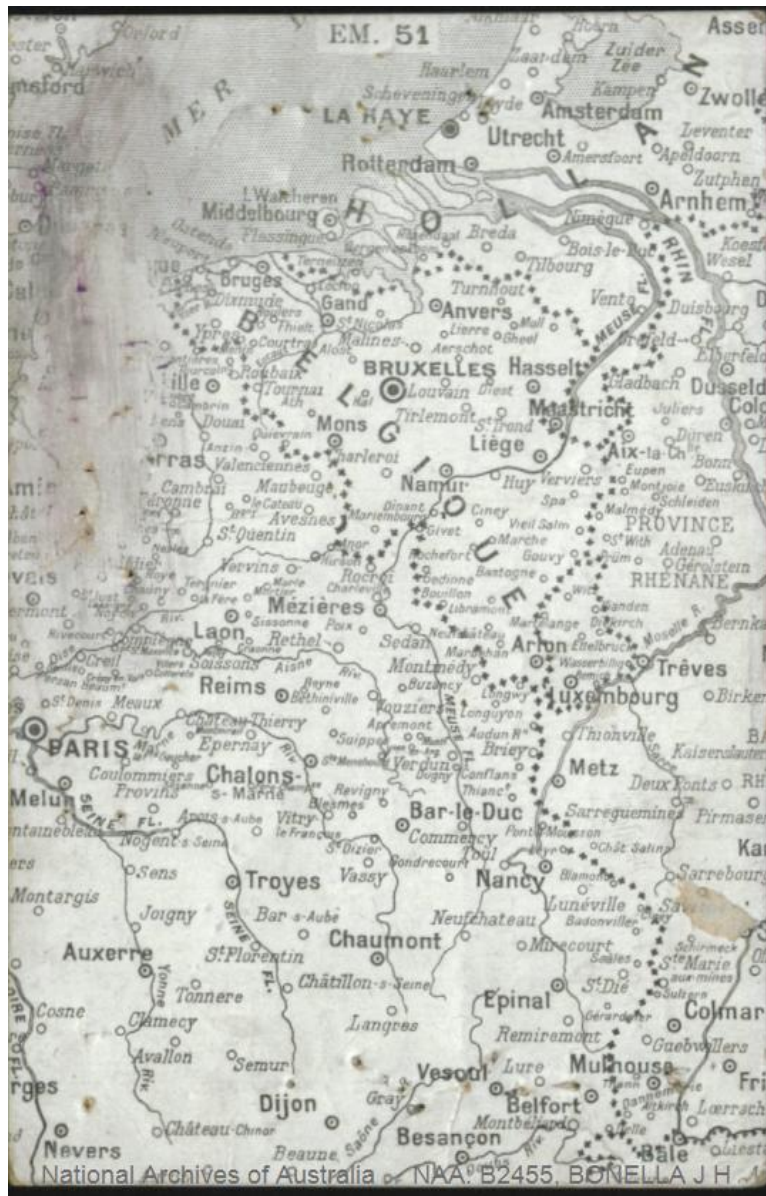
Dear Lila

just a few lines to let  
you know that I am  
well I am sorry to  
say that I have been  
away from the Com-  
pany for a week  
and I have not had  
any letters from you  
or anyone else but  
hope to get them all  
soon trusting that  
you are well

I remain your  
loving husband  
Jim

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I remain your loving  
husband  
ADRESSE

Dear Lila  
Just a few lines to let you  
know that I am well and  
happy things are just the same  
you will be pleased to know  
that Jim is in Kranee with  
our Battalion again I have  
not seen him yet but hope to

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Q. L. L.

W. L. L.

Happy cable to Aunt

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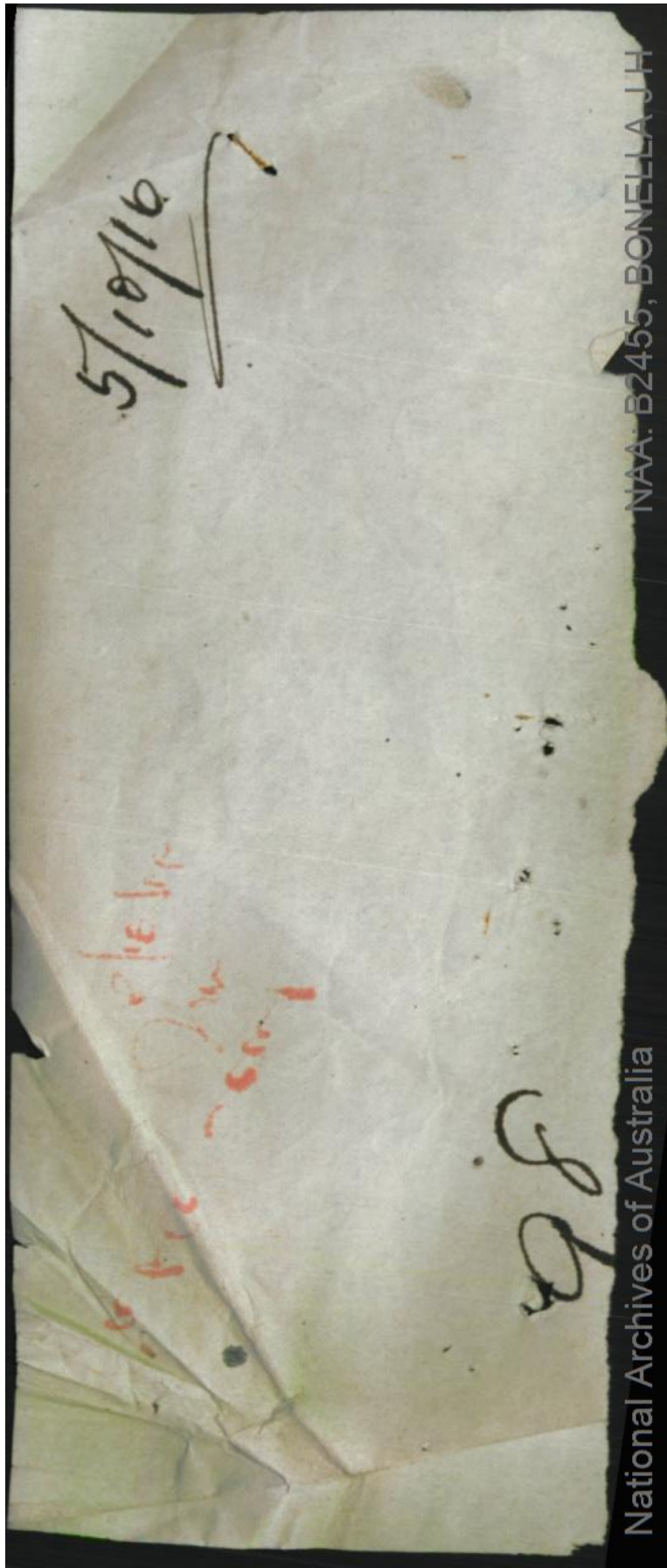
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(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment of Corps **21st. BATTALION** Regimental Number **98**  
 Substantive Rank **Pte.** Surname **BONELLA** Christian Names **James Henry**

\*Acting Rank  
 (\* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

(A) Report		(B) Authority of Part II, of Orders	(C) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, transfers, discharges, etc. All entries should be entered in full, with date, for method of entry of which see A.C.I. 1816 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, &c.	(F) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
Date.	From whom received.					
1/1/16	Emb. Off.		Proc. to join M.R.F. Disembarked ex "Winifredian" from Mudros	Gallipoli	29/8/15.	
15/1/16	21st. Bn. CO		OFFENCE overstaying leave 4 days. Br eaking Camp when Tel-el-Kebir under open arrest. AWARD automatically forfeits 4 days pay. 6 days P.P.No.2 by CO 21st. Bn. 14/1/16. Proc. to join BEP ex Disembarked	Alexandria	27/12/15.	
20/5/16	CO 21st. Btn.		OFFENCE Creating a disturbance in Billet 14/5/17. AWARD 168 hrs. No.2 F.P. Missing in action	France	15/5/16. D033/2516	
5/8/16	21st. Bn. CO		Rejoined Unit	France	3/8/16. D058/3613. V.L.53.	
12/8/16	CO 21st. Bn.		Rejoined Unit	France	3/8/16. D065/5500 V.L.55.	
18/11/16	CO 21st. Bn.		To Hospital sick	France	13/11/16. D079/6859	
18/11/16	5th. A.F.A.		Bruised Foot. Adm.	do	13/11/16.	
25/11/16	CO 21st. Bn.		From sick	do	22/11/16. D080/6973	
22/9/17	CO 21st. Bn.		Detached to 6th. M.G. Co.	Field	15/9/17. D060/7805.	
27/10/17	CO 21st. Bn.		Rejoined Btn. from detach.	do	25/10/17. D073/9251	
15/12/17	do		To Hospital sick	do	14/12/17. D070/8970	
14/12/17	6th. AFA		Aux. Abscess. Adm. & Tfd.	do	14/12/17.	

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28/12/17 61st. A.F.A. Aux. Abscess. Disch. to duty 28/12/17.  
 5/1/18 CO 21st. Bn. Rejoined Pattn. Belgium Field  
 25/5/18 CO 21st. Bn. Wounded in action Field  
 19/5/18 5th. A.F. Amb. S.W.Lt. High. Adm. France  
 20/5/18 26th. Gen. Asp. S.W.Lt. High. Adm. Etaples  
 24/5/18 CO 26th. Gen. Asp. S.W.Lt. High. Died of Etaples  
 wounds.

AUSTRALIAN SECTION,  
 3rd. Echelon G.H.C., B.E.F. Dated 29/8/18.  
 Syd. T. Bennett LIEUT.  
 For Officer i/o Records.

(A) Date.	(B) From whom received	(C) Authority of Part II. of Orders	(D) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive promotions, or method of which see A.C. 1816 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(E) Place of casualty	(F) Date of promotion, reduction, casualty, &c.	(G) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned ( 1 ) Package , being the effects of the late No.98 Private J.H. Bonella, 21st Btm consigned to me. ex "Australorag" D/S 37279

No. Description,  
1. package

Signature *J. H. Bonella*  
Date *8 April 1919*

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—

The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne, Victoria.

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BASE RECORDS,  
MELBOURNE.

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

L.M.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS,  
24th March, 1919  
MELBOURNE.

Dear Madam,

Forwarded this day, per separate parcels ~~xxxxxx~~ post, is one package containing personal effects of the late No.98 Private J.H. Bonella, 21st Battalion, received ex "Australorag" D/S 37279 as per inventory attached. All goods despatched from this office are securely fastened and sealed. BEFORE OPENING, KINDLY INSURE THAT SEALS ARE INTACT AND PACKAGE HAS NOT BEEN TAMPERED WITH. Any discrepancies to be immediately brought to notice, accompanied by the packer's note enclosed in the parcel.

I shall be much obliged if you will kindly let me know whether come safely to hand, by signing and returning the enclosed printed receipt slip.

(Enclosure.)

Yours faithfully,

PARCELL POST  
*J. McLean* Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

D.1575/S.18.—C 1317B.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

**Mrs E. Bonella,  
Bank Street,  
Avenel,  
Victoria.**

MAIL RECORDS OFFICE

VICTORIA BRANCH

MELBOURNE

MAIL RECORDS OFFICE  
VICTORIA BRANCH  
MELBOURNE

Dear

Forwarded this day, two separate

registered parcels

parcels

containing personal effects of

PACKAGE HAS NOT BEEN DAMAGED WITH ANY DISCREPANCIES TO BE REPORTED AND RETURNED AND REPAIRED. ALL GOODS DAMAGED FROM THIS OFFICE ARE RETURNED TO THE INVENTORS APPROVED. ALL GOODS DAMAGED FROM THIS OFFICE ARE RETURNED TO THE INVENTORS APPROVED.

I shall be much obliged if you will kindly let us know whether some help to hand, or signing and returning the enclosed British records with.

Yours faithfully,



NOTE

DATE RECEIVED FROM POST

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No.	Description,	Signature	Date
1	package		

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Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne, Victoria.**

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

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In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

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BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS,  
MELBOURNE, 8th February 1919

Dear Madam,

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I shall be much obliged if you will kindly let me know whether <sup>same</sup> comes safely to hand, by signing and returning the enclosed printed receipt slip. **BEFORE OPENING KINDLY ENSURE THAT SEALS ARE INTACT AND PACKAGE HAS NOT BEEN TAMPERED WITH.** Any discrepancies to be immediately brought to notice accompanied by the packer's note enclosed in the parcel.

(Enclosure.)

Yours faithfully,

*J. McLean* Major,

D.A.S.S./A.18.—C.4745.—880.

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

O. H. MDS



VICTORIA

VICTORIA

**UNCLAIMED  
AT BRUNSWICK**

Mr. Bonella,  
141 Paterson Street,  
West Brunswick,  
VICTORIA.

If not Delivered within 7 Days please return to  
Officer in Charge, Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks, Melbourne.



11-2-13

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS.

MELBOURNE, February 1919

Madam,

Parcels  
XXXXXX is one

Forwarded herewith, per separate registered post, ~~the~~ **Private J.H. Bonella,**

2186 ~~containing~~ **personal effects, of ex "Australorag"**

as per inventory attached.

same

**PARCEL DO NOT**

**BEFORE OPENING KINDLY OBLIGED if you will kindly let me know  
SEALS ARE INTACT AND PACKAGE HAS  
NOT BEEN TAMPERED WITH BY HANDS OF ANYONE and returning the enclosed  
to be immediately brought to notice  
accompanied by the packer's note enclosed Yours faithfully,  
in the parcel.**

J. M. J. F. A.

Officer in Charge, Base Records

Mrs E. Bonella,  
11 Watson Street,  
West Brunswick,  
VICTORIA.

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D.1120/10.17.—C.10278.

O.C. BASE RECORDS. ....3rd M.D.

re No. 98. Pte. J.H. BONELLA. 21st Battalion.

The amount due to the estate of the above-named soldier was on 16-1-19 passed for payment to his wife, Eliza Bonella, Bank St., Avenel.

*A. Sullivan*  
for District Paymaster. 3rd M.D. Captain.

31-1-19

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*W. S. Barkell*  
*3/2*

O. C. BASE RECORDS. ....3rd M.D.

I am in receipt of your letter of the 10th instant relative to the Will of the late No. 98 Private J.H. Bonella, 21st Battalion, and have to inform you that no trace of same can be found in this Office.

(SGD) C. Sullivan, Captain,  
for D.P.M., 3rd M.D.

DC

D. P. M.  
3rd Military District.

82689

I would be obliged if you will inform me with whom you have finalised, or intend to finalise, the abovementioned late soldier's account, as it is desired to dispose of a package of personal effects now to hand.

27/1/19.

aptr:10.

for Officer i/c Base

NAA: B2455, BONELLA J

National Archives of Australia

DC.

10th January 1919.

D. P. 3rd Military District. 7008

On a location of the Will of the late No.98 Private J.H. Bonella, 21st Battalion, forwarded to you on 24/10/18, it is stated that A Will can be found in the care of the Military Authorities, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne. As there is no record of same having been received at this Office, I would be obliged if you will inform me whether there is any knowledge of it in the 3rd Military District.

Captain.  
for Officer i/c Base Records.

HC

7a & 16

# Australian Imperial Force.

## KIT STORE.



110 GREYHOUND ROAD,  
HAMMERSMITH, LONDON,  
W. 6.  
TELEPHONES-- HAMMERSMITH 1900, 1901.  
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS-- "AIFKITS."

Inventory of Effects of-

No 98. Bonella. J.H. 21st Battalion. A.I.F.

Forwarded to-

The Secretary,  
Defence Department,  
Melbourne.

N.O.K. - Wife.

Mrs Eliza Bonella,  
11, Watson Street,  
West Brunswick,  
Victoria.

Will lodged with:-

Military Authorities,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne.

Effects received from the field (3/2142) 17.6.18

1 Parcel (Sealed) containing:-

Disc, Letter, Photos, 2 Wallets, 2 Metal wrist watches (1 Damaged)  
and Straps, Belt, Scissors, Cigarette holder, 3 Badges, 2 Metal  
rings, 2 Knives, Metal locket, Metal tie pin, 3 Coins, 7 Unit  
colors.

Effects received from the field - 1 Parcel (Sealed) containing:-  
1 Bank letter.

Effects obtained from a kit bag held in store

1 Parcel (Sealed) containing:-  
Coins, Metal chain, Curios, Unit colors, Testament, Fly net,  
2 Handkerchiefs.

No. of Package D/S 37279  
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**AUSTRALCRACK**

Checked by  
NAA: B2453, BONELLA J H



3440

7/6/17

To O C of A Coy 21st Battalion

I hereby declare that I do not wish to make a Will I have already made one which can be found at any time in the care of the Military Authorities at Victoria Barracks. Melbourne. Victoria

No98 J H Bonella  
A Company  
21st Batt

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of the location of the Will of No.98 Pte BONELLA. James Henry 2nd Machine Gun Battalion late 21<sup>st</sup> Bn A.I.F.

*J Bonell*

Cpl

Checked

16.7.18.

*C. McAdams* Cpl  
Estates Branch.  
Adm. Hqrs.  
A.I.F. LONDON.

AB..

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Base Records Office, A.I.F.F.  
Victoria Barracks  
18th. October 1916.

INFLEBOURNE

Madam,

Dear

now beg

I

to inform you that advice has been received to the effect that

**21st. Battalion, previously reported missing is now reported with Unit, not Missing.**

In the event of any further reports being received concerning the above soldier you will be promptly notified.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN.

Mrs. F. Bonella,  
11 Watson Street,  
WEST BRUNSWICK,  
VIC.

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

THIS SLIP TO BE INSERTED IN SELLER'S FILE.

D. *Shale*

EXTRACT OF BR. *BH 40*

SENT TO

DATE *11/16*

CONCERNING *98 Bonella*

UNIT.

*21<sup>st</sup>/16*

*343, 359 reported Missing 4/5/16.*

*write from and 13/8/16. Investigate*

LCS

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Re

Base Records Office,

Victoria Barracks,

1916

MELBOURNE

**DESPATCHED**

28th Feb.,

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication (undated), concerning your change of address which has been noted.

Yours faithfully,

J. H. LEAN, Captain,

Officer i/c Base Records.

**DESPATCHED**

Mrs. E. Bonella,  
11 Watson Street,  
WEST BRUNSWICK, VIC.

11 Watson St.

West Brunswick, N.J.

Mark  
2/23/16

Change of Address  
Needed for CAIRO & D. P. Ms.

To Defence Department. War +  
Beasler

I beg to notify that I have  
left Avenel and now  
living at the above address

Yours truly  
Eugene Bonella

Wife of Private James A. Bonella  
No 98

A Company 21st Battalion

South Infantry Brigade  
A.I.F.

National Archives of Australia

RECEIVED  
BASE RECORDS  
23 FEB 1916

DEPARTMENT  
RECEIVED  
23 FEB 16  
OF DEFENCE

NAA: B2455, BONELLA JH

*Ph*

RECEIPT FOR VICTORY MEDAL. & BRITISH WAR MEDAL.

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Army Headquarters, one Victory Medal in connexion with the late  
(one British War Medal,

No. 98 Private I. H. BONELLA, 21st Battalion.



Signature

*G. I. J. Bonella*

Date

*20 November, 82*

This slip to be returned to the Officer in Charge, Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, Victoria, within seven (7) days.

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NAA: B2455, BONELLA J H

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES—3RD MILITARY DISTRICT.

Received One

MEDAL for No.

98

Rank

Private

Name

Bonella J. G.

Unit

21 Btr

Schedule No. 19255

(Signature)

E. Bonella

(Witness)

W. D. Lechner

Registered Post

Place

114/11

Date

23/11/20

History Card completed

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NAA: B2455, BONELLA J H

Please return this receipt as soon as possible,  
duly signed and witnessed, to—

**Medal Distributing Officer,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne.**

c.12015.

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, BONELLA J H



V.L.

XXX 4780

O. H. M. S.

M. 54/ 92.

28th July, 1922.

29 JUL 1922

Madam,

your husband,

the late No. 98 Private J. H. Bonella, 21st Battalion, the site of his grave in  
If not Delivered within 7 Days please return to  
the Staples Military Officer in Charge Base Records officially registered as -  
Victoria Barracks, Melbourne.

Plot 68. Row D. Grave 11.

While the actual place of burial remains unchanged the previous registration allotted thereto has been altered to conform with the uniform layout of this Cemetery.

Mrs. E. Bonella,  
Bank Street,

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, BONELLA J.H

Don't forget to advise any change  
of address to—

BASE RECORDS,  
MELBOURNE.

## AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

In all communications regimental  
number, rank, full name, and unit  
of Soldier referred to are to be  
stated.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE,

MELBOURNE.

Dear

I am in receipt of advice to the effect that

is returning to

Australia per transport

which left

on

and will probably arrive in Melbourne about

the

. Further information as to the exact date of

arrival and time of disembarkation will be published in the press when  
available.

It should be noted, however, that owing to possible mutilations in  
the cabled advice, and other causes, this notification may not be correct  
pending verification from the roll after the arrival of the troopship.

**Any further inquiries should be made to the Staff Officer Returned  
Soldiers, Military Head-quarters,**

Yours faithfully,

It is to be understood that the name will  
only appear in the Press of the Military  
District in which the above-mentioned  
enlisted.

*J. J. J. J.*  
Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

D. 1134/1.19—C. 50655.—10M.

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NAA: B2455, BONELLA J H

**RECEIPT SLIP FOR MEMORIAL SCROLL.**

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Department of Defence, one Memorial Scroll and King's Message, in connexion with the late No. 98, Private, J.H. Bonella,

21st Battalion.

(Signature)

*Alga Bonella*

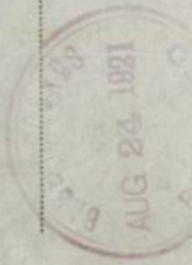
(Date)

*22<sup>nd</sup> August 1921*

This slip to be returned to the Officer in Charge, Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, Victoria, within seven (7) days.

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B O N E L L A

James Henry

"A" 21st. Bn.

Surname.

Other Names.

Regimental No.

Unit.

PURPORT.

AUTHORITY.

Embarked at Melbourne per H.M.A.T. "Ulysses" 8/5/15.

~~12/4/16. Arrived 7 days before departure. Dlt. by BEFO.~~

~~13/1/16. / Belle-B. 6/40. In-lieu-whereof-remett-ove 9/2-18~~

~~Have 4 days breaking camp after order arrest~~

~~Tel-Kabir Deleted by BEFO. 9/2-18~~

4/8/16. Missing. Cable dated London 29/8/16.

Now York: Missing. Cable dated London 2/9/16.

Delete sub para No. 3613 of D.O.No. 58 Now reported

Rejoined Unit 3/8/16-

3/8/16. Missing

3/8/16 Reported Missing in Action, France.

13/11/16. To Hpl. sick.

22/11/16 Rejoined Bn. from Hospital

15/9/17. Transf. from 21st Bn. A.I.F. to 6th M.G. Coy. A.I.F

(E.W.)

(AB)

~~BEFO. 6/4-16~~

~~u-19/4-16~~

~~u-19/4-16~~

~~u-19/4-16~~

Cable 6938J

" 6961H

BEFO. 65/2-16

I.B. 18/9-16

BEFO. 58/2-16

BEFO. 79/2-16

BEFO: 80/2-16

MEFO 54/5-17.

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## PURPORT.

## AUTHORITY.

15.9.17 Attached for duty with 6th M.G. Coy from 21st Btn. BEFO 34/3-17  
 14.5.16 Creating disturbance in billet. 168 hrs No. 2. F.P. IL BEFO. 33/2-16.  
 15.9.17 Detached from 21st Btn to 6th Machine Gun. Coy for duty BEFO 60/5-17  
 24.10.17 Ceases to be att. to 6th M.G. Coy on rejoining  
 21st Btn  
 14/12/17 To Hosp Sick BEFO 35/4-17  
 25.10.17 Rejd Btn from Det to 6th MGCo BEFO 70/2-17  
 29.12.17 Rejoined Brn from sick France. IL BEFO. 1/1-18  
 CRIME Tel-el-Kebir 0/staying leave 4 days time not stated  
 breaking camp while under open arrest. AWD 6 days F.P. No. 2. IL BEFO. 9/2-18  
 Forf. under R.W. 4 days pay total forf 10 days pay. IL BEFO. 27/3-18  
 20.5.18 Adm to L. of C. Hpl ex wounded. IL  
 Died of wounds received in action 24.5.18 at 26th Gen Hpl  
 S.W.L. Thigh. IL BEFO. 28/2-18

<p>1. Full name, number, rank, and unit of Member of Forces in respect of whose death or incapacity pension was claimed.</p>	<p>Bonella, James Henry, 98, Pte., 2nd M.G.C.</p>
<p>2. Full name and address of person for whom pension was claimed</p>	<p>James Avenel Bonella, Avenel</p>
<p>3. Relationship of such person to Member</p>	<p>Self Son</p>
<p>4. Result of Claim</p>	<p>Granted 20/- P<sup>ts</sup> as from 31/7/18</p>
<p>National Archives of Australia</p>	<p>Eliza Bonella, Avenel NAA: B2455, BONELLA J H</p>

Extract from folder covering photograph of grave.

"BURIED:- Etaples Military Cemetery. Plot, 4.

Row. D. Grave. 119. Etaples. France.

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NAA: B2455, BONELLA JH

Transferred to

DELIVERED  
D 58593

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 98  
Rank Private Name BONELLA J H  
Unit <sup>1617 A</sup> ~~2nd M.G. Bde~~ 21st Battalion

213 Casualty Missing 4.8.16. B.I. No. 343/6938J. 10th Lond 29.9.16  
*From Regd. Missing now Regd. not missing with unit. C.I. No. 359/6961H. 20 London 24/11/16*  
~~Missing C.I. No. 359/6961H. B.I. No. 343/6938J. 10th Lond 29/9/16~~  
239 Ref. C.I. No. 343 Bonella re Heavy Lee to B.I. No. 359 which  
read previously reported missing now reported  
not missing with unit. B.I. No. 358/7291A  
D London 12.10.16. B.A. 40  
409 died 24.5.18 GSW thigh, leg at 26th Gen Hq  
O.I.B.L. 2575/1617 dated London 27.6.18 Received B. No. 20.5.18

DATE.	PURPORT.	REF. NO.
	A.F. E. 103 Received	
5 SEP 1916	M.C. 3 ADVISED MISSING. 4/8/16 COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS	
16-9-16	M.C. 3 ADVISED. Not Missing - Cut with Unit	
17. 10. 16	M.C. 3 ADVISED, DIED OF WOUNDS.	
6-6-18	Pensions advised re Casualty. Vide Statement No. 172	
24. 10. 18	"Will" to D.P.M. 3. M.D. M. 35/71. Location only	
10. 2. 19	PERSONAL EFFECTS EX. "Australcrag" Readdressed 26.3.19.	
H. 1. 19.	"Will" See letter in file drawers v. 6. 116	
29-7-19	PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE TRANSMITTED TO NEXT OF KIN. B.R.M. No. 46/1368 & Booklet re Graves despatched 1.12.19. AA	M. 44/330 FINAL NOTICE 20/11/1922
28.1.20	PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE <sup>in duplicate</sup> TRANSMITTED TO NEXT OF KIN. B.R.M. No. 46/1321.	
5/10/20	1914/1915 Star issued B.R.M. 43/1229/21/5008 19255 3rd To Comdt. M.D. B.R.M. 51/1223	52/72



LIST.



22/7/21

BRITISH WAR MEDAL to Comdt 3rd M.D.B.R.M. 53/896

Recalled  
2/11/22

"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."  
Pamphlet sent to Mrs E. Bonella on 23.7.21

MEMORIAL  
PLAQUE  
To  
Widow (Died)  
Mrs E. Bonella  
345747  
16.11.22

MEMORIAL  
SCROLL  
To  
Widow  
Mrs E. Bonella  
345747  
4.8.21

14 NOV 1922

BRITISH WAR MEDAL *replied*  
VICTORY MEDAL to *Widow* B.R.  
Registered Post No. *7855* G. P. O. M.

R & H.  
17-10-30