

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**4768 Private
William Bramwell**

48th Battalion



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48th A.I.F.

Bramwell, W. 4768

(M. Aug. 8/16)

Informant states that on Aug. 5/16 at Pozieres Bramwell was wounded in the ankle and buttock and left behind in the trench when they "went over". Informant was next him at the time. Informant said that Bramwell might have got buried in the trench after they were out of it, and that his name would not have been sent in as missing until the 8th when they came out of action. He was born in England and came to the 28th Batt. with drafts from the 15th or 16th Batt.

Reference:- Pte. Wackley, 3323

48th A.I.F.

5th Southern General Hospital,
Portsmouth

Home address:

Himpton Avenue,
Richmond,
S. Australia.

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Oct. 5th
G.W. Gully

48th Batt, late 16th Batt.
A.I.F.

Bramwell,
W. 4768.

"Missing 8.8.16"

Killed in Action, - Previously reported Missing,
Cert, by A.I.F. Headquarters 26.5.17.

London
13.6.17

Off M & P.I.

A.I.F.
48th. Battalion.

BRANWELL. 4768.
Willson.

"Killed in Action 8.8.18".

No trace Germany.

Cert. by Capt. Mills. 10.10.19.

London.
2.10.19.

Off. M. & P.I

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Miss. Mrs P Braumwell
4 Wake Lane

Clifton
near Manchester

See
4768. Mr P Braumwell
45th P. Bn.

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The Australian Red Cross Society

(B.R.C.S.)

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

WOUNDED AND MISSING ENQUIRY BUREAU.

Enquiry No. 6619

Date April 22-1918

Regimental Details of
Soldier enquired about.

No. 869

Sgt. T. Rickertby

59th Broadgage Railway Operating Co.

Details of Casualty.

{ Wounded

Information wanted.

{ Present location & condition

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4 Rake Lane
Blypton
Nr. Manchester
Sept 18/16

Gentlemen,
I have been
informed that your Society
make enquiries re missing
soldiers. My brother,
Private W. Bramwell

No 4468.

48 Batt "A" Company
Australian Infantry.
has been reported as
missing since August 8th.
We had notification from
the Australian H'quarters
last week & know nothing
further.

I should be most
grateful if you could

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make enquiries from any
soldier or soldiers, who
may be in any of your
hospital, who were in
my mother's regiment.

We are very anxious indeed
as it is 6 years since
he went out to Australia.

Trusting to hear
from you in due course

I remain,

Yours very truly
Hellie Braumel



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21st Septr., 1916.

Miss Nellie Bramwell,
4, Fake Lane,
Clifton,
nr. Manchester.

Dear Madam,

We have received your enquiry for your brother,
No. 4768 Pte. W. Bramwell, 46th Battn., we regret to say
that we have no information at present, but we are making
all possible enquiries in hospital and camps, and will send
you the result as soon as we hear anything.

Assuring you of our deepest sympathy in your
anxiety,

I am,

Yours faithfully,

V. D.

Secretary.

17th October

Miss M. Bra^mwell,
4, Duke Lane,
Clifton
Mr. Manchester.

Dear Madam,

With reference to your inquiry for No.4765 Pte
W. Bra^mwell, 48th Battalion, A. I. F., we beg to inform you
that we have received the following unofficial report from
No.3323 Pte Buckley 48th Battalion, who on October 5th was
in No.5 Southern General Hospital Portsmouth. Informant
states that on August 5th 1916, at Pozieres, Bra^mwell was
wounded in the ankle and buttock, and was left behind in the
trench when they went over the parapet. Informant was next
to him at the time, and says that he might have got buried in
the trench after they went out of it, and that his name would
not have been sent in as Missing until the 8th, after they

came out of action. As you know, he is officially Missing
since August 8th. He says that the Bra^mwell he is describing
was born in England and came to the 48th Battalion with drafts
Does the Apple by name work?

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We regret that we have no more news to send you at the present, but are making all possible inquiries to get further information for you.

Assuring you of our sincere sympathy,

Yours faithfully,

D. B.

Secretary.

D.A.W.

4 Park Lane
Clifton
M. Manchester
Sept 19/16

Dear Sir,

I thank you very much for your letter of the 17th inst, re. Pte W. Bramwell 4768. I feel sure Pte Wackley 3323 is referring to my brother as he did come from Australia with the 15th Reinforcement.

It is a little relief to hear that someone was near him at the time, & if you think it would be of any use to us, to correspond with Pte Wackley, we would do so willingly.

My brother went out to Australia nearly 6 years ago & we should be glad to hear

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all we can about him, as we
hoped so much to see him
before he went into action.

I thank you for all
your kindness, & can only
wait & hope for the best.

Yours very truly
Hellie Blamlee

June 16th, 1917.

Miss Nellie Bramwell,
4, Rake Lane,
Clifton,
Nr. Manchester.

Dear Madam,

We regret very much indeed to tell you that your
brother, 4768 Pte. W. Bramwell, 48th Bat n. A. I. F.
is now officially reported to have been killed in action 8.8.16.

We wish to send you our most sincere sympathy, and
wish very much you might have been spared the suspense of so much
uncertainty.

Yours faithfully,

Miss McCumbe.
Secretary.