

Death in Action

The many friends of Lance-corporal Geoffrey Gladstones, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. C. Gladstones, of Cole street, Williamstown, will regret to hear of his death in France, in connection with the recent offensive by the Australian forces. With his brother he joined A Coy, 30th Bat., some two years ago, and after some experience in Egypt and a severe illness brought on by overwork, he joined his battalion and took part in some of the more recent battles in France and met his death fighting valiantly for justice and liberty. He was 24 years of age and previous to his enlistment was engaged in the Navy office.

Connected with the Cecil St. Presbyterian Church, he took an active interest in the Literary Association and Sunday School and was a member of the Boys' Naval Brigade, from whose ranks some 70 members have gone on active service. He was also a member of the Williamstown Cricket Club's first eleven.

His death ends a very promising career. He will be much missed by a wide circle of friends, his gentlemanly and affable temperament making him a general favorite. General sympathy is expressed for the sorrowing parents and brother, Private V. T. Gladstones.