

Clarence BOWEN

Clarence Bowen enlisted in August 1914, in the first weeks of the war. He was 36 years old at the time. Bowen had started work at 14 as telegraph messenger, later becoming a clerk in a solicitor's office and putting himself through university. He was admitted to practice law in 1911.

At the time of his enlistment, he was in practice as a solicitor. Originally a private, he took part in the Gallipoli landings as part of the 6th Infantry Battalion. He was wounded in the first week at Gallipoli and evacuated to Alexandria to recover, returning to ANZAC cove in July 1915.

After Gallipoli, he received further training and was promoted to lieutenant; he joined the 60th Battalion in late 1916. Clarence Bowen was killed in the counter-attack at Villers-Bretonneux on the 27th of April 1918 and is buried at the Villers-Bretonneux cemetery.

CLARRIE BOWEN TAKES THE COUNT

STERLING RECORD OF A NOTABLE RICHMOND SOLDIER.

FROM STATE SCHOOL TO SOLICITOR; FROM PRIVATE TO LIEUTENANT.

FRONT LINE NOTES FROM FRANCE.

OVER A HUNDRED RICHMOND BOYS IN ONE COMPANY.