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10th July, 1930.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter of June 27th.

I regret to say that it has never been possible to trace Lieutenant W.D.Bell's grave. All the battle areas have been searched repeatedly and all the graves that could be found have been moved to permanent cemeteries but this Officer's name does not appear in any of the reports in connection with this work. It can only be feared therefore that after he was buried in the cemetery to which you refer the grave must have been destroyed by subsequent fighting.

The Commission are commemorating all those who have no known graves on central memorials in the areas where they fell, and Lieutenant W.D.Bell's name will appear on the Memorial which is being erected by the Canadian authorities at Vimy.

Yours faithfully,

  
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