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Stears Pte A 27580

Royal Defence Corps

Borden (SS Peter & Paul) Chyd Kent

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Sheers Pte A 27580 59th Protection Coy,
Royal Defence Corps, D/D 5th April 1917 age 51
Son of Lawrence Walker + Charlotte Sheers of
Borden Lane, Sittingbourne. Served in the South
African Campaign. In North-West corner of
Borden (SS Peter & Paul) chyd Kent

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66 St Georges St
Slumness

SHEERNESS

Dear Sir

I am writing on behalf of my brother who
is in Canada. about my father's grave
and his brother who were killed in the first
second war they are Port of Stairs and
Port. G. Stairs respectively of the Bess these graves
are in Borden churchyard. but the names
have been worn off and were to be put against
the church wall has unknown ~~words~~
trusting you will put things right

Yours Truly
E Stants ne Stairs (Mrs)

P My Brother's address is
Mr. E Stairs
Box 305 Kewatta
Ontario Canada



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Records Review

Can you please endeavor to
trace these two casualties and
attach a file, also state whether
Commission headstones are erected.

Maria Campbell
17/6/60

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PIE. A. STEERS. 27580 ROYAL DEF. CORPS.

31 MARCH 1918.

BORDEN (SS. PETER & PAUL) CHURCH

VIENTIANE.

There is no record of the
Uncle's grave in this cemetery.

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21st June 1960

Dear Mrs. Stanton,

Thank you for your letter of recent date which was written on behalf of your brother who is now living in Canada.

According to the Commission's records the late 27580 Private A. Steers, Royal Defence Corps, who died on the 31st March, 1918, is buried in Borden (S.S. Peter and Paul) Churchyard, Kent, and there is no other war grave in this cemetery of a serviceman of this name.

I assume that the grave to which I have referred is that of your father and it would seem probable that, if your uncle is also buried in this Churchyard, his grave is not a war grave.

Your complaint regarding the illegibility of the lettering on the headstone which marks your father's grave, will be investigated and a further letter will be addressed to you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

A. R. C. PRENTIS.

Director-General.

Mrs. E. Stanton,
66 St. George's Avenue,
Sheerness,
Kent.



22nd June 1960

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Regional Director,
United Kingdom Region,
Commonwealth War Graves Commission,
Wooburn House,
Wooburn Green,
High Wycombe.

27580 Private A. Steers, Royal
Defence Corps, 31.3.18. Borden
(S.S. Peter & Paul) Churchyard,
Kent.

We have received a complaint from
Mrs. E. Stanton of Sheerness, daughter of the
late Private A. Steers, to the effect that
the inscription on the headstone which
marks her father's grave has become illegible.

Perhaps you would be so good as to look
into the matter and let me have your comments
in due course.

A. R. C. PRENTIS.

/ Director of External Relations
and Records (Enquiries).

TELEPHONE : BOURNE END 594
TELEGRAMS : ~~IMPERIAL~~ WOOBURN GREEN
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UNITED KINGDOM REGION
COMMONWEALTH
IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION

WOOBURN HOUSE, WOOBURN GREEN,
HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.

REF..... A/8192



23rd June 1960

DIRECTOR-GENERAL (D.E.R & R)
(Enquiries) ✓
Commonwealth War Graves Commission,
Wooburn House,
Wooburn Green,
High Wycombe, Bucks.

27580. Pte. A. Steers. Royal Defence Corps. 31.3.18.
Borden (SS.Peter & Paul) Churchyard, Kent.

Reference your CCM 39548 dated 22nd June 1960.

The Area has been instructed to inspect and
take action as they consider necessary upon their
next visit.

K R Gwyther
REGIONAL WORKS OFFICER,
for REGIONAL DIRECTOR.

KRG/RK

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B.F.	
ON	22/9/60
TO	<i>[Signature]</i>
INITIALS	<i>[Initials]</i>

27th June 1960

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Dear Mrs. Stanton,

Further to my letter of the 21st June, I am writing to inform you that our Representative has been instructed, on his next visit to Bordon (S.S. Peter and Paul) Churchyard, to inspect the headstone erected on the grave of the late Private A. Steers, and he will take action as he may consider necessary.

Yours sincerely,

SGD. N. DEAN

Director-General.

Mrs. E. Stanton,
66 St. George's Avenue,
Sheerness,
Kent.

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CCM. 39548

29.6.60

Dear Sir

Thank you for your kind letter June 27
it is very kind of you to see into this
matter as I have enclosed my brother's
address in case you should need it for
ref. The reason my writing to you was
because we were very proud of our father and
his my brother wrote to me about the conduct
of the grave and would I see into the affair
so I trust I have not been too much trouble

Yours truly
W. Stanton

W. E. Steers

Box 305

Kuwatli

Canada

COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVES
COMMISSION
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Mr Howland

Please let my BF stand
(22/9.)

Jean

6. 7. 60

TELEPHONE: BOURNE END 594.
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~~IMPERIAL~~ WAR GRAVES COMMISSION



UNITED KINGDOM REGION

WOOBURN HOUSE, WOOBURN GREEN,
HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.

Any further communications on this subject
should be addressed to

THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR
UNITED KINGDOM REGION

and the following reference

quoted A/8192.....

11th August 1960



DIRECTOR GENERAL (D.E.R. & R)
(Enquiries) ✓
Commonwealth War Graves Commission,
Wooburn House,
Wooburn Green,
High Wycombe, Bucks.

Borden (SS. Peter & Paul) Churchyard, Kent.

I refer to your CCM.39548 of 22nd June last.

The headstone was inspected and the inscriptions
considered reasonably good for a stone of its age.

The date of death is clearly seen as "5th April 1917"
and not as you state.

Long grass in the surroundings makes the grave difficult
to find.

The stone was washed in November last and it is
considered that further maintenance is not urgently needed.

REGIONAL WORKS OFFICER,
for REGIONAL DIRECTOR.

GVY/RK

CWGC/8/1/4/1/2/118 (CCM39548)

Mr. Deane
15.8.60

I have cancelled fund 3/f

for 22.9.60

Howard 12/60

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WOOBURN GREEN,

HIGH WYCOMBE,

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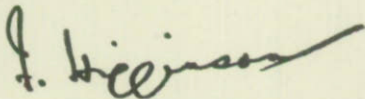
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ready erected.

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This cost has increased since
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thin fourteen days of the
Commission should be informed.

urs faithfully,



SECRETARY.



CCM.39548

15th August 1960

Dear Mrs. Stanton,

Further to my letter of the 27th June, I am writing to inform you that the headstone over the grave of the late 27580 Private A. Steers, Royal Defence Corps, in Bordon (SS. Peter and Paul) Churchyard, has now been inspected and it was found that the inscription was reasonably good for a stone of the 1914-1918 War.

The stone was washed last November and it is not considered that any further maintenance is required for the present.

Yours sincerely,

A. R. C. PRENTIS.

Director-General

Mrs. E. Stanton,
66 St. George's Avenue,
Sheerness,
Kent.