

SERGEANT RICHARD GEORGE BONNELL.

Enlisted with the original 85th Battalion in mid summer of 1915. Accompanied his Battalion to England, sailing the 13th of October 1916. After a period of preliminary training, he went to France where he was promoted to the rank of sergeant.

Sergeant Bonnell fought with his Battalion through the series of engagements from Vimy Ridge to Passchendaele and yet escaped without a scratch. His work won the approval of his military superiors; he was recommended for a commission, and was in training for it when the Armistice was signed.