

**MATHERS, WILLIAM MELROSE.**

Arch. : Private, A.A.M.C., A.I.F., France.

Enlisting 2nd September, 1915, and sailing 29th March, 1916, on hospital ship " Kanowna " to Egypt, joined 8th Australian Field Ambulance at Estaires (via England) 16th August and remained with it until demobilisation, serving as stretcher bearer at Armentières, Bapaume, Bullecourt and Ypres, being gassed at Polygon Wood 29th September, 1917. On recovery was at Messines, Amiens, Villers-Bretonneux and Bellicourt till September, 1918, although gassed at Villers-Bretonneux 30th April and wounded at Péronne 18th August. Was invalided to 3rd Australian General Hospital, Abbeville, in November, rejoining unit at Christmas, and doing duty at Sars-Poteries and Erquelines for three months.

Early education at Mosman Superior Public School.