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Dear Mr Hodge -

In response to your request for particulars concerning my son - Capt Richard Gladstones Wilton - I have pleasure in supplying these facts

Capt Wilton was educated at Ponce Alfred College (9 years) & passed the prelim: junior, senior & higher public examinations at the University & was for three years engineering cadet to Professor Chapman during which he passed the first & second years exams & part of the third year's subjects. He then entered the Recreation & Reclamation Department of the Public Service whence he was transferred to the Hydraulic Engineer's dept. He was in charge of the work on the Warren Reservoir when he volunteered for the front.

Capt Wilton joined the cadets at Ponce Alfred College & advanced from private to color sergeant. He would have rec'd a commⁿ but that he was under age. He became a lieutenant in the Senior Cadets & then was a sub lieutenant in the 10th (Adelaide Rifles) & subsequently in the 78th of which he was adjutant for

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some time. He resigned because he was ordered into the country by the Department

Immediately war broke out he volunteered for service abroad but as his mother & father were in England and he was the only one living in the house with his sister he asked that he might be permitted to join on their return. After the landing at Gallipoli when many of his old comrades were killed he again volunteered and on May 20 1915 he rec^d a Commission as sub-lieutenant in the 7th Reinforcements of the glorious Tenth. He left for the front on June 24 1915 and was in the trenches on Gallipoli on August 20 1915. Since then he has not had a day's leave. He qualified with 96 per cent of the marks & special commendation for the Machine Gun Corps while in Egypt. He was promoted to a lieutenancy in February and was transferred to the 50th Battalion. He was promoted to a captaincy in May last. He arrived in France in June and has been present in several engagements since. He also holds a position in the Machine Gun Corps.