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AUSTRALIAN  MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 2781 Name BENNETT Roy Lindsay *Mr*
 Unit No 9/16 Inf *1st* ✓
 36
 Joined on 13 July

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... Roy Lindsay Bennett
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ...
 near the Town of Prospect
 in the County of South Australia
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... N.B.
4. What is your age? ... 21 1/2 Yrs
5. What is your trade or calling? ... Electrician
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... No
7. Are you married? ... No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ...
Mother Mrs Katherine Bennett
Danby Street Torrensville
South Australia
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? ... No
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... 5 Yrs Naval Reserve Still serving
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... No
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)—
 Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you after embarkation during your term of service? ...
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... Yes

Roy Lindsay Bennett do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife.* † wife and children.

Date 9-9-15 Roy Bennett
 Signature of person enlisted.

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
 † Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

Description of Roy Lindsay Bennett on Enlistment.

Age 21 years 1 months

Height 5 feet 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

Weight 135 lbs.

Chest Measurement 34-36 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

Complexion Fair

Eyes Blue

Hair L. Brown

Religious Denomination Presbyterian

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Dis R $\frac{1}{6}$ L $\frac{1}{6}$

Vacc. 4. L. Inf.

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz. :—

Scrofula ; phthisis ; syphilis ; impaired constitution ; defective intelligence ; defects of vision, voice, or hearing ; hernia ; hæmorrhoids ; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent ; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle ; inveterate cutaneous disease ; chronic ulcers ; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C. ; contracted or deformed chest ; abnormal curvature of spine ; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye ; his heart and lungs are healthy ; he has the free use of his joints and limbs ; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 9-7-15

Place Keswick

J. B. Young Capt
C. Corbin M.D.
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him

to 7/16 2nd

Date 9-7-15

Place Witchamere

J. M. Sutherland Capt
for Major,
Commanding **CAMP COMMANDANT.**

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P.B. 21864

Entitled 1914-15 Star

Embarked 21.9.15

Statement of Service of No. 2781

Name Rennett R L

M Group
9/16 Inf

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
		13/7/15	15/8/15	
	TAKEN ON STRENGTH FROM 13/11/15.	16/8/15		Pt 2-5487 8/12/15
	ADMITTED <u>Sick to</u> HOSPITAL 16/12/15.			Pt 2-3144 18/1/16
	Wounded in action by shell fire.		5.2.17	11443 22.2.17
	App'd S/Cpl	29-1-17		10 916 15/2/17
	Adm Col Aid Depo Chelleham Area 4.8.17 Back Enn		15.2.17	13 1523E 21.2.17
	Emb. on S.S. Lanfrance as Home for (S.97 Back) England		14.2.17	12 1047 1/3/17
	16th Bn S/Cpl P.O. Pass to France ex Passing Col. Landshell Camp. via Southampton		14/1/17	L10323. 15/1/17 2049 E 1/1/17 5979
	S/Cpl. Rejoin Bn from overseas Eng.		26-1-17	2040/6614- 5-12-17
	S/Cpl. Prom Cpl. 1st Lt. Cpl. Dunsdale. prom. 16.1.18.		16.1.18	2005/338 29/1/18
	Cpl. Adm. Kitchen M. Hoop Bomb. Wd. Buttock & Hoyle Brighton		25.8.18	W.O. P.2. 2R. 985
16th Bn	Cpl. Wounded in action 2nd occ.	France	23/8/18	2/038/201 5/9/18. 12.319
	Cpl. Invalided to U.K.	France	25/8/18	2/038/2292. 5/9/18.
	Cpl. Awarded military medal Vide Lt Div R.O. dated	France	5.9.18	2020/4415 15.9.18 L631142.
	Adm. R. Div. 20120/71 -do- 20138/382	E (1918) E (1918)		
	RETURN TO AUSTRALIA Per <u>beramic</u>	England	25-1-19	LX 2411 30R 631/A 31-1-19

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

16th Bn Cpl. Discharged. 4 M.D. T.P.E 6/5/19

MAJOR
CAMP COMMANDANT

D.B.

TELEPHONE:
CENTRAL 3606.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

All communications regimental number,
and full name, and unit of Soldier referred
to are to be stated.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS

Melbourne,

24th June, 1919.

Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Sixth Supplement, No. 31142, to the "London Gazette," dated 21st January, 1919, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by the undermentioned member of the Australian Imperial Force.

AWARDED THE MILITARY MEDAL.

"HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Military Medal for bravery in the field to the undermentioned:—

No. 2781 Corporal R. L. BENNETT.

The above has been promulgated in "Commonwealth of Australia Gazette," No. 61, dated 23rd May, 1919.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. K. Bennett,
14 Danby Street,
Torrensville,
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

4th MILITARY DISTRICT
A.G. 42 370 13/84

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

4th Military District.

CONFIDENTIAL.

KESWICK BARRACKS,
ADELAIDE.

Officer in Charge,
Base Records,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE.

21 MAY 1919

The undermentioned soldier has been handed his Discharge, Medical Board Proceedings and other documents as follows, forwarded herewith:- D2, Dental Form X, B.178, Med. Case Sheet.

No. 2781. Rank. Cpl. Name. BENNETT, Roy Lindsay.
Unit, 16th Btn.
Date of Attestation. 13/7/15.
Date of Embarkation. 21/9/15.
Date of Disembarkation. 14/3/19. Ex "CERAMIC".
Reason for Discharge. CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES.
Date of Discharge. 6/5/19.
Total Service. 3 years, 298 days.
Service Abroad. 3 years, 175 days.
Account Adjusted in Part
EGIX



A. Mitchell, Lieut
for CAPTAIN,
STAFF OFFICER INVALIDS & RETURNED SOLDIERS,
4th MILITARY DISTRICT.

A.I.F. 110
Form B103 Part I.

Service and Casualty
Form.

PART I.

4/18-12244.

Nothing to be written in this Margin.

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(1) PRESENT UNIT	16th BATTALION. <i>B. 11482 C 17483</i>		(2) Regtl. No. 2781.
(3) Present Rank	Corporal	(4) SURNAME	BENNETT
(5) Decorations	<i>M.M.</i>	(6) Christian Names.	Roy Lindsay

Particulars.

PB No. 208644

(7) Date of Enlistment	13-7-15.	(8) Place of Enlistment	Keswick S.Aus.
(9) Age on Enlistment	21 Years 1 Months	(10) Any subsequent claim as to age after verification of Birth Certificate	Auth. C.R. / / Years Months
(11) Birthplace	Prospect S.Aus.	(12) Religion	Fres.,
(14) Trade or Calling	Electrician	(13) If Married	No
(16) Date of Embarkation from Australia	21-9-15.	(15) If an Apprentice	No
(18)		(17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad	AUSTRALIA.
(19)		(21) Special Notification Card No.	
(20)			
(22)			

ORIGINAL

Lance Corporal

16th BATTALION, A.I.F.

Army Form B. 103.

2781
CARD.

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regiment or Corps *9th Reinf. 16th Infantry*

Regimental No. *2781* Rank *Lance Corporal* Name *BENNETT Roy Lindsay*

Enlisted (a) *23/4/15* Terms of Service (a) *147 days* Service reckons from (a)

Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } *28/10/15* Numerical position on roll of N.C.O.s }

Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b) *Embarked 21.9.15*

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 713, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
	<i>U.S. Ammunition</i>	<i>embarked to form of 6 to form Alexandria</i>		<i>11/1/15</i>	<i>A 102</i>
	<i>Fata Return</i>	<i>Sailed on strength</i>	<i>Colloco 1</i>	<i>13/1/15</i>	<i>B 20 200 48/5487</i>
	<i>U.S. Ammunition</i>	<i>sent to hospital</i>	<i>General</i>	<i>18/1/15</i>	<i>A 2220 13/15 U.S. Ammunition to Amundson 1000 Embarked Alexandria 17/1/15 * 20/1/15 sent transferred to U.S. Ammunition on 21/1/15</i>
	<i>U.S. Ammunition</i>	<i>Embarked</i>		<i>20/1/15</i>	<i>E 2227 200</i>
	<i>General Hospital</i>	<i>Embarked</i>	<i>Alexandria</i>	<i>23/1/15</i>	<i>E 22 16/200</i>
	<i>do.</i>	<i>discharged to hospital</i>	<i>Alexandria</i>	<i>27/2/15</i>	<i>E 2225/300 & 2250/482</i>
	<i>U.S. Ammunition</i>	<i>Embarked</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>18/1/15</i>	<i>A 538/905</i>
	<i>U.S. Ammunition</i>	<i>Embarked</i>	<i>Uganda</i>	<i>18/1/15</i>	<i>A 1379/15</i>
	<i>do</i>	<i>Embarked</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>5/2/16</i>	<i>A 2573/105</i>
		B.E.F. 1.6.16	A.P. 8571		
		Proceeds to BER	Alexon	1	15
	HMT CANADA	Dise		10	2-8-16

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered, P.T.O.
(b) e.g., Signaller, Shoehing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

Report		Record of promotions reductions, transfers, casualties, etc. during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
3.2.17	C.O. 16 Am.	Appointed 4 Cpl.	Littlefield	28.1.17	D 9/58213 D 9/58213
10.2.17	do	Wounded in action	do	6.2.17	D 9/58213 V.L. 263 D 9/58213 Can. Land
11.2.17	1st A.G.H.	Adm. S.W. Back (Sex)	Rowen	10.2.17	A.R. 868/36
11.2.17.	12th AF Amb.	Adm S.W. Back.	Field	6.2.17.5	A.R. 868/44
11.2.17.	45th C.C.S.	Adm do.	"	6.2.17.6	A.R. 868/49.
13.2.17	Laufauc	S.W. Back. to Eng. Sec	Havre	14.2.17	A.R. 868/58 D 9/58213
14.2.17	1st Genl. Hoopl.	S.W. Back. to England	Rowen	13.2.17	A.R. 868/60
15.2.17.	Col. Sid Cheltenham	Adm H. W. Back severe.	England.	15.2.17	Do 136/21.2.17 1323
4.5.17	3rd Amc Hoop.	4 Cpl. Adm 20.4.17 Luncheon Report Warham	Dartford	4.5.17 19.5.17.	
21.7.17.	B213. Ho 4 Com Dep.	Lt Col. W/O O'Leary's Coy Perham Downs	Godford.	21.7.17.	L.R. 5904.
22.7.17.	B213. O'Leary's Coy Dep.	Lt Col. W/O from Ho 4 Com Dep Godford.	Perham Downs.	21.7.17.	L.R. 5907.
9.11.17.	O'Leary's Coy Bde.	Lt Col. Para O'Leary's Coy see O'Leary's Coy Bde Longbridge Beverill via Southampton	Southampton	10.11.17.	L.R. 10323 L.R. 493 15/11/17.

2nd sheet

Regimental Number 2781

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 16th Battalion

Rank ~~4/cpl~~ Surname Bennett Christian Name R. J. Lindsay

Religion ... Age on Enlistment ... years ... months

Enlisted (a) ... Terms of Service (a) ... Service reckons from (a) ...

Date of promotion to present rank ... Date of appointment to lance rank ...

Extended { } Re-engaged { } Qualification (b) ... or Corps Trade and rate ...

Occupation ... Signature of Officer.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c. during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 34, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 34, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked ...			
		Disembarked ...			
11-11-17	4 AKR BLD	In from England	Haere	11-11-17	L 75/83
14-11-17	" "	Out to Unit	"	14-11-17	L 75/86
W 1.12.17	60th Bn B 213	Rejoined Bn	Sicca	26-11-17	L 94/48 70/1667
19.1.18	Do	Promoted Cpl	Do	16.1.18	D 05/338
		W/cpl Dinsdale from 16/1/18			D 9/55
24.8.18	CO 16 Bn	Wounded in action (2 Oct)	Do	23.8.18	D 6/16 V 1819 203/4201
24.8.18	12. A.F.A.	Bomb W. Buttack do c c s	"	23.8.18	AK 2974/79
24.8.18	61. CCS	do	"	24.8.18	- 80
24.8.18	6th Gen Hosp.	W/cpl G. Buttack	Do	24.8.18	AK 2974 82 2031/4274/1
		do England	"	25.8.18	✓ 86
25.8.18	St Patrick	W/cpl Embarked for England	Do	25.8.18	AK 2974/3 2031/4292/1

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged, or called into service, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or call-up will be entered.
 (b) Signatur. Shestak-Smith, Co. W. 1007-1008 1117 10000 C. P. & Co., Ltd. Patent No. 1000 111000 (P. T. O.)

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form 1212, Army Form A, 22, or other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form 2112, Army Form A, 24, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
26.8.18	Fitcher's Mil Dep.	bpl. Adm Bomb. Putecke Kthighs	England	26.8.18	WT 812. NR 985.
3.9.18	3rd Aux Ho.	bpl. Adm 26.8.18. trans to 3rd Aux Ho.	Stafford	3.9.18	NR 55
16.9.18.	do	bpl. Adm 3.9.18. Just 16.9.18 report to HQ Com. Dep. Hurdcott	do	30.9.18.	
1.10.18.	St. 4 Com Dep.	bpl. M/S from 2nd Regt London so York.		30.9.18.	LB 8821
8.10.18.	St. 4 Com Dep.	bpl. M/S from 4 Com Deps Hurdcott.	Derby	7.10.18.	LB 8605
8.10.18.	St. 4 Com Dep.	bpl. M/S to 4 Com Deps Hurdcott.	Hurdcott	7.10.18.	LB 8591.
5.9.18.	H. 4 Com 902233	bpl. Awarded the Military Medal France.			7040/4415 LC 8005.
31.10.18.	Regt. Ad. Deps in Mil	bpl. P.O. of Person Grade 1st Regt Overseas Long Bde from 16th Regt to complete. latatachment	Leamington	24.10.18.	List 94. 80.120/181 E (1918)
17.11.18.	O. 7. Bde	bpl. Sandhill 12.11.18. with Form 2359. 12.11.18 to 14.11.18. Reprimanded by Capt. J. English. 15.11.18. Total pay. 1 day pay			LX. 12. 80.138/181 E (1918)
11.12.18.	do	bpl. Offence Sandhill 11.12.18. with 2359. 11.12.18. to 2002 13.12.18. Dismissed by Capt. R. Jennings 16.12.18. Med Cert. produced			LX 906

RETURN TO AUSTRALIA
Per *Cranic*

Return to Australia for "Cranic" 25.1.19

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Transferred to

WAR GRATUITY SCHEDULE

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 2781

Rank X/cpt

Name BENNETT. R.L. (M.M.)

Unit 16th Bde

Casualty Geo Back. Inver Arden Vol aid Hosp Cheltenham 15/17 W/L 396/834/6

Wounded C.F.R.L. 1112/8367⁹ Det'd London 27.2.17 Dated London 23.2.17

Progressing favorably wound 41 of 8462^d St Lond 13/3/17

W.S.M. 443/8840^t St London 15/17 J.S.D.

W.S.M. 812 1227⁰⁷ dated London 29/18

3181 2507 1229² dated London 29/18 Received B. R. 29/18 G.E.D.

Wounded 3rd Occasion
S.S.W. Buttocks, Thighs
Hospital

Medical Condition not stated admit. 26/5/18 to Kitchener Military
Hospital

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DATE	PURPORT.	REF. NO.
27 FEB 1917	N.O.K. Advised in Hospital 15.2.17 wounded.	
17 MAR 1917	N. O. K. Advised progressing favorably.....	
9 APR 1917	N. O. K. Advised prog. easing favorably.....	
8 MAY 1917	N. O. K. Advised Convalescent	
SEP 6 1918	N. O. K. Advised in Hospital Wounded	
SEP 9 1918	N. O. K. Advised Wounded 2 nd Occasion	
	Relg. to Aust. per R.T. "Ceramio" embarked 25/1/19	
	C.F.R.L. 3197/5301 P. det. London 29/1/19 Rec. B.R. 11/19 SE.	
11 FEB 1919	N. O. K. Advised Returning to Australia. Form 19	
	Returned to Australia per A "Ceramio" List 209	
	Disembarked 4.5.19 M. D. 6/3/19. etc	
16/1/19	Medl received; Sent to Comd't. M.D. Blue 43/183	
6.5.19	Discharged 4 M.D.	
5 AUG 1919	C.M. Form 7 Returned to Unit daag 4 M.D. 7/1/19 26.	
27-2-20	WAR HISTORY INDEX	
10-4-1915	Pin issued R.M. 43/1229/1655000	



LIST.

D.974/1.16.-C.2445-126.