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MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 67
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Name Thomas Joseph Bennett

Unit 2nd Field Coy. A. I. Force.

Joined on 3/9/14.

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

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| 1. What is your Name? | 1. <u>Thomas Joseph Bennett</u> |
| 2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? | 2. In the Parish of _____ in or near the Town of <u>Adelaide</u> in the County of _____ |
| 3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) | 3. <u>Natural born.</u> |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>23 years 3 mths.</u> |
| 5. What is your trade or calling? | 5. <u>Carpenter</u> |
| 6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? | 6. <u>Yes. Cliffe Bunting. 4 yrs.</u> |
| 7. Are you married? | 7. <u>No.</u> |
| 8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) | 8. <u>Christopher Joseph Bennett Father. 28 to avis St. N. Carlton.</u> |
| 9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? | 9. <u>No.</u> |
| 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? | 10. <u>No.</u> |
| 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 | 11. <u>No.</u> |
| 12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? | 12. <u>Yes.</u> |
| 13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? | 13. <u>No.</u> |
| 14. (For married men and widowers with children)—Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you either before or after embarkation during your term of service? | 14. _____ |

I, Thomas Joseph 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 and children.

Date 1.9.14

J. J. Bennett
Signature of person enlisted.

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Description of Thomas Joseph Bennett on Enlistment.

Age 23 years 3 months
Height 5 feet 6½ inches
Weight 144 lbs.
Chest Measurement 35½ inches
Complexion Fair
Eyes Grey
Hair Dark
Religious Denomination Roman Catholic

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

1 left arm
no mark

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 1. 9. 14.

Place Melbourne

Hugh B Stowers St Capt
Signature of Examining Medical Officer. A.M.C.

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 Field Company A.I.E.F.

Date 3/9/14

Place Melbourne

S. Allan Capt R.A.F.
for Commanding Field Coy.

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Entitled to 1914/15 Star.....

Statement of Service of No. *125* Name *T. J. Bennett*

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
<i>2nd Field Coy. A.I.F.F.</i>	<i>Enlisted Sapper</i>	<i>3/9/15</i>		<i>See</i>
	<i>Went to Hospital</i>	<i>5/9/15</i>		<i>Det 2 31/10/15</i>
	<i>Went to Hospital 1st Lt. to 2nd Lt</i>	<i>7/9/15</i>		<i>53/7/19 2/8/15</i>
	<i>Enlarged Heart 1st Lt. to 2nd Lt</i>	<i>5/7/15</i>		<i>53/7/24 5/8/15</i>
	<i>Heart "Anemia" removed</i>	<i>16/7/15</i>		<i>53/7/24 2/8/15</i>
	<i>Heart 2nd Lt. to 1st Lt</i>	<i>14/7/15</i>		<i>54/8/00 7/8/15</i>
	<i>C. D. H. Embarked England for "Ascanus"</i>	<i>18/8/15</i>		<i>45/1220 15/9/15</i>
	<i>Transf to 2nd Coy Sapper to H. M. "Ascanus" D.S. H.</i>	<i>31/8/15</i>		<i>46/1223 17/9/15</i>
	<i>C. D. H. to 2nd Coy Sapper</i>	<i>22/8/15</i>		<i>47/1222 24/9/15</i>
	<i>C. D. H. to 1st Coy Sapper</i>	<i>11/9/15</i>		<i>51/1418 14/10/15</i>
	<i>Embarked for Australia per "Ascanus" from Portland</i>	<i>17/3/16</i>		<i>124/3/35 5/1/16</i>
	<i>Discharged (m.c.) 3rd m.d.</i>	<i>25.7.16</i>		<i>B.R.L. 57/7</i>
	<i>Emb 20/10/14</i>			

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

August 17 1967

The Officer-in-Charge,
Central Army Records Office,
"A" Block,
Albert Park Barracks,
MELBOURNE, VIC.

*P/Bennett
Rec'd 25/8/67*

Dear Sir,

I wish to apply for the Anzac Commemorative Medallion and Lapel Badge.

(He) I served in the Gallipoli Campaign, between April 25, 1915, and January 8, 1916, and forward the following particulars:-

SURNAME: BENNETT (DECEASED)

CHRISTIAN NAMES: THOMAS JOSEPH

ADDRESS: (ENLISTED) MELBOURNE

SERVICE NO.: 125 RANK: SAPPER

UNIT: 3rd FIELD ENGINEERS - 1st CONTINGENT

Yours faithfully,

C. J. Bennett

22 AUG 1967

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RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGED

SURVIVING Brother (NEXT OF KIN)

Date _____

*3 NORA ST
MAYLANDS
5TH AUST*

PA/PD

1st Thomas Joseph BENNETT.

I (full name) ... Christopher James Bennett ... of
(address) ... 3 Mera St. Maylands Sth Aust. ...

apply for the Gallipoli Medallion in respect of (deceased soldier's full

name) ... Thomas Joseph Bennett ...

(Regimental Number) ? ..

(Unit) 3rd Field Engineers (Sapper) ..

I declare that I am (relationship) ... Brother (Elders) ..

to the above deceased soldier, and believe I am the person entitled to the
Medallion under the War Service Estates Act 1942-43.

I further undertake that, should an applicant having preferential claim
under the Act come forward in the future, I will surrender the Medallion
in his or her favour, and hereby indemnify the Commonwealth of Australia
against any claim arising from incorrect award of the Medallion.

Date 29th August 1967. Signature ... C.J. Bennett ...

Witness ... B.M. Bennett

If information not available, give sufficient details for identification
purposes.

RETURN TO CENTRAL ARMY RECORDS OFFICE, ALBERT PARK BARRACKS, MELBOURNE

Relative having priority - son Frederick believed deceased.
If located will be pleased to hand over to him
(Frederick, last heard of in U.S.A.)

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Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 2nd F. Co.

Regimental No. 125 Rank Spr. Name Bennett J J

Enlisted (a) 1.9.14 Terms of Service (a) _____ Service reckons from (a) 1.9.14

Date of promotion to } _____ Date of appointment } _____ Numerical position on }
present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

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				
11.7.15	O.C. Coy	<i>Proceeded to Jan. M.F.F.</i> To Hosp. Heart.	<i>Gallypoff</i>	5.7.15	8213 Part II <i>0/31/66</i>
10.7.15	I.A.S.H.	Gastro. Enteritis	Lemnos	7.7.15	C2526 Part 2 <i>0/22/719</i>
12.7.15	I.A.C.C. 8th	Enlarged Heart. To P.S.	Calinoh	5.7.15	C2540 Part 2 <i>0/23</i>
16.7.15	Insomnia	Heart Disease Land- ed at Malta	Malta	16.7.15	A2160 A8173 Part 2 <i>0/34</i>
17.7.15	St George's Hosp.	<i>DAH</i>	do	16.7.15	C2633 Part 2 <i>0/34</i>
19.7.15	2 GH	Embtd for England per Asturias VDH	Alexandria	18.8.15	A 6977 Pt. 2/45/1220.
18.7.15	Gen Hosp Gibraltar	Trfd to HMT Arcania for England. DAH	Gibraltar	31.8.15	A9160 Pt. 2/46/1243.
18.7.15	Gen Hosp Gibraltar	Adm. VDH	do	22.8.15	C3262 Pt. 2/47/1282.
11.9.15	Mil Hosp Belmont Road	Adm. D.A.H.	London	11.9.15	P.3548 Pt. 2/5/1448

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. e.g. Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 2nd Field Coy Australian Engineers

Regimental No. 125 Rank Sapper Name Bennett T.J.

Enlisted (a) 1/9/14 Terms of Service (a) _____ Service reckons from (a) 1/9/14

Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 24, 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. 26, or other official documents.	
Date	From whom received					
		Proceeded to Join M.E.F.	Alexandria	5/4/15		
11/7/15	O.C.	To Hospital Heart.	Gallipoli	5/7/15	B213	0/31/880
11/7/15	1st AOC Stn.	Enlarged Heart to F.S.	Gallipoli	5/7/15	C2540	0/33
16/7/15	"Ansonia"	1st A.S.H. Gastro Enteritis	Lemnos	7/7/15	C2526	0/32/719
18/7/15	"Ansonia"	Heart Disease Landed at	Malta	18/7/15	A2160	B5173 0/34
17/7/15	St. Georges	D.A.H.	Malta	18/7/15	C2633	0/34
7/9/15	2 Gen. Hosp.	Embkd. for England per "Asturias" V.D.H.	Alexandria	18/8/15	A6977	B/45/1220
18/9/15	Gen. Hosp.	Admitted V.D.H.	Gibraltar	22/8/15	C3262	0/47/1282
14/9/15	do	Tfd. To "Ansonia" for England. V.D.H.	do	31/8/15	AB160	0/46/1243
8/10/15	Mily. Hosp. Bethnal Green	Admitted D.A.H.	London	11/9/15	P354	0/51/1448.
17/3/16	"Ansonia"	EMBARKEED FOR AUSTRALIA FROM PORTLAND.	PORTLAND	17/3/16	127/3/35	0/1/1/3

Cyril S. Griffiths

Major.

O.C. Australian Records Section.
3rd Echelon, G.H.Q., E.E.F.

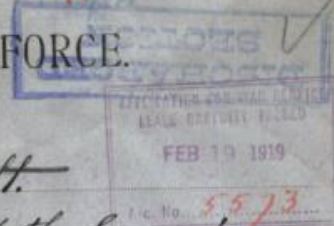
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE



No. *125*

Rank *Sapper* Name *J. J. Bennett*

Unit

2nd / 4. Engrs

Casualty

Sick (Slight) Disembarked Malta 14-20/7/15. W.B. 729/1197. S. 10. ated 29/7/15. Engrs

Misc. No.

10/1/15. Embarked for England. Hosp Ship Asturias No. B. 1157/1920a. ated 27/1/15. Engrs
16/1/15. Embarked Malta on "Souda" "Anconia" No. B. 1177-11

DATE.	PURPORT.	Form B. 108. Receipt	REF. No.
<i>2/8/15</i>	<i>NOK advised disembarked Malta</i>		
<i>6/9/15</i>	<i>" " Embarked for England</i>		
<i>11/9/15</i>	<i>" " Nature of illness.</i>		
<i>30/9/15</i>	<i>Sick admitted Hospital London. H. Com 14446. dated 22/9/15</i> <i>H of K adv in Hosp London sick</i> <i>J. J. H. Slight. Convalescent of G. H. Gibraltar / H. L. R. 104. 23/8/15 45</i> <i>D. H. H. severe no change of G. H. Gibraltar H. L. R. 15. 29/8/15 45</i>		
	<i>18-8-15. Heart. Embarked</i> <i>at Malta for England.</i> <i>H.S. Asturias N.R.W. 44. 17/8-8-15.</i>		
<i>11/9/15</i>	<i>Admitted Military Hosp Bethnal Green N.E.</i> <i>D. U. 44. 1/4/1830/23 H. Com 23/9/15</i>		
	<i>Returning Australia "Ascanius" left England 17/3/16</i> <i>F.C. L.R. 675 / 5602 B. London 25/3/16</i>		
<i>30.4.16</i>	<i>N.O.K. Advised Returning to Australia</i> <i>Letd "Ascanius" Bad heart. H.C. cable</i> <i>H. 675 25.3.16</i>		
<i>19/5/16</i>	<i>COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS</i>		
<i>25-7-16</i>	<i>Discharged. Medically unfit 3rd M.D.</i> <i>R16/2/1915 14-7-16</i> <i>Location of "WILL" held by A. I. F. Hqs London D.R.N. 844/441</i> <i>"WILL" to <i>A.A.F. 3rd</i> M. D. <i>13/4/1916</i></i>		



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LIST *63 72 92*

1914/15 Star issued D.P.M. 43-1229/16 Eng 16. W.P.