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SHERRATT Henry Edward - Munitions Worker Number 46



MUNITION WORKERS AND NAVVIES DESPATCHED TO GREAT BRITAIN.

SUMMARY OF PARTICULARS REQUIRED FOR PERSONAL FILE.

Name and Number of Worker *Sherratt, Henry Edward 46 Vic*  
Designation *Brass Boulder*

Date of Selection ..... List No. .... Papers No. ....

Date of Embarkation from Australia *27.9.16 (Osterley)* Papers No. ....

Date Arrival in England *11.11.16* Papers No. ....

Date Embarkation on Return from England *10.1.19 (Shongwa)* Date Disembarked Australia *2.3.19*

Reason for Return *See letter. Barriac Scibility* Papers No. *W516/1/1313*

Date Discharged Australia *2.3.19* No. of Discharge *1305* Papers No. ....

General .....

*sherratt's address 64 Holmes St Brunswick*

From O. i/c AUSTRALIAN MUNITIONS WORKERS,

To THE COMMANDANT,

A.I.F. Headquarters,

130, Horseferry Road,

Westminster, S.W. 1.

C. G. ARSENAL		
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*32 yrs  
Edwin  
Australia  
Bathurst*

*27-11-18*

Re AUSTRALIAN MUNITIONS ~~WAR~~ WORKER, No. *46*  
*H.E. Shevath.*

Would you be good enough to have a Medical Examination made of the above man, and to request the Medical Officer to make his Report on this Form.

*JCA*

For O. i/c.

Date *26/11/18*

A.I.F. HEADQUARTERS,

130, HORSEFERRY ROAD, S.W. 1.

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT.

This man is suffering from *Cardiac Debility*

His general condition is *poor*

I consider that he { will not be fit for duty for \_\_\_\_\_ days.

is not fit to do heavy manual work *in England*

I recommend *that he be returned to Australia as soon as possible*

*File  
CMB*

*FILE  
GENERAL  
SA  
per SA*

Signature *J. Nicholson Capt*

Date *26/11/18*

A.M.W. 30. 500. 15/4/18.

*Capt Bundoak for necessary action  
27/11/18*

*Approved for early return to Australia  
J. Henry Barracough per SA*

ARRIVED ex "OSTERLEY" 10.11.16.

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- 5.8.17 Letter from: While helping to carry a ladle of molten iron, I had the misfortune to strain my heart. Have been ordered by Dr. to go away for a month's rest.
- 5.11.17 Letter from: Am keeping better.
- 18.2.18 Letter from: Health has been indifferent ever since he strained his heart, and he has lost a lot of time. Is at present in bed and the Doctor says he should be sent home. Cannot work.
- 22.2.18 Letter to: Instructed to be examined by the two Dr's in Scotland to whom he refers and to forward Med. Certs.
- 9.4.18 Undated letter received from: Have lost in all about 6 weeks since September. Dr's Cert. 6.4.18. "Under my care off and on since 3.8.17 - Cardiac Strain. Several attacks of a syncopal nature and would benefit greatly in health by a return to Australia. Report by Dr. dated 5.3.18. "Strained Heart in August 1917. Given a months leave; given a light job on 13.9.17. Irratable heart, slightly irregular in its action. There is just the possibility that he might enjoy better health if returned to Australia".
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- 4.11.18 Letter from: Still unable to travel to London, but there is a decided improvement in my health. Enclosed Dr's Cert. Still unable to work and is not yet in a condition to travel to London for the purpose of being medically examined 4.11.18.
- 15.11.18 Wire from: Come to London for Med. Exam.
- 26.11.18 Called: Examined by A.I.F., M.O. Report:- Cardiac Debility. Condition poor. Not fit for heavy work in England. Should be returned to Australia as soon as possible.
- 2.12.18 Letter from: Re Sick Pay. Has done no work since August 26th.

Australian Munitions Worker E. Sherratt.

No 46

- 5.8.17 Letter from: Whilst helping to carry ladel of molten iron, strained heart. Ordered by doctor to take holiday for one month.
- 9.8.17 Letter to: Instructed to send local Doctor's medical certificate.
- 5.11.17 Letter from: Health better.
- 18.2.18 Letter from: Has been in very indifferent health since straining heart. Has been very bad this week. Local Docotr says he should be returned to Australia. Unable to work at his trade and has been so for some time. Does not want to come to London for examination. Local Doctor says he should be sent to Australia as climate irritates his heart.
- 22.2.18 Letter to: instructed to send medical certificate.
- 5.3.18 Medical Certificate from Medical Officer. Strained his heart through lifting heavy weight at the beginning of last August, when he suffered from signs of heart failure. Given months leave. Resumed work 13.9.17. Heart still abnormal. Has worked up to date since then. Visited Medical Officer to-day; asked to be returned to Australia. Has an irritable heart and slightly irregular inaction. Pulse 46 beats whilst sitting, 60 whilst standing, 72 beats after slightest exertion. Heart is not enlarged and there are no murmurs, Lungs and other organs. Cold climate does not appear to suit him. There is also a possibility that he might enjoy better health if he is returned to Australia.
- 6.4.18 Medical Certificate from local Doctor. Has been in his care since 3rd August 1917. Cardiac Strain. Has had several severe attacks of Syncopid nature. Should be sent back to Australia.
- 10.3.18 Letter to: Requests repatriation, is being considered.
- 10.6.18 Letter from: Applying for enlistment in A.F.C.
- 7.9 18 Letter from: Has had returned heart attack. Ordered to stay in bed for a least a month.
- 13.9.18 Letter to: asking for doctor's support.
- 19.9.18 Medical Report. "Has had a severe attack of Angina Pectoris, dilated heart and deteriate heart muscles. Not able to take up work entailing heavy lifting or overtime work. Might be fit for light work in three months.
- 26.9.18 Recommended for a medical examination at A.I.F. Headquarters.
- 26.9.18 Letter to: instructed to report for medical examination.

- 30.9.18 Letter from: enclosing medical certificate. Quite unable to travel from London. States his heart attack is more frequent.
- 3.10.18 Letter to: asks for medical certificate.
- 27.10.18 Report from Ministry of Munitions. Certificate report 27.9.18 S. suffering from Angina Pectoris. Unable to work since 26th ult.
- 17.10.18 Further memorandum from Medical Officer, Australia House:- Considers S. should be brought to London as soon as he is able to travel.
- 19.10.18 Letter to : instructing him to come to London as soon as he is fit to travel.
- 20.10.18 Letter from: enclosing medical certificate dated 19.10.18. Still unable to travel to London.

4th November 1918.

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Minute Sheet No.

5th March, 1918.

I hereby certify that I have examined Henry Edward Sherratt. The history of this case is that he strained his heart through lifting a very heavy weight during his work in the beginning of last August. At that time his heart was dilated and he suffered from signs of heart failure. He was given one month's leave of absence and on the thirteenth of September although his heart had not returned to its normal condition he was able to resume work and given a light job. Since resuming work he has complained from time to time that he felt an uneasy feeling in the region of the heart, but he has never actually had to lay off with it. Today he came to see me and stated that he had determined to ask to be sent home to Australia. I examined him thoroughly and as the result of my examination I find that he has an irritable heart which is slightly irregular in its action. The pulse rate is slow, 46 beats per minute when he is sitting, 60 beats per minute when he is standing, 72 beats per minute after slight exertion. The heart is not enlarged and there are no murmurs. The lungs and other organs appear healthy. It struck me that he had been smoking too much and that this might account for the irregular action of the heart. The man appears to be very nervous about his condition and afraid that he may be unable to follow his occupation which is that of a foreman moulder. Lately he had been employed in the offices as a draughtsman but he says quite truly that he is not sufficiently versed in this branch to obtain work as a draughtsman. The cold climate here does not seem to suit him and there is just the poss/

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possibility that he might enjoy better health if he were back to the Australian climate. I cannot say there is anything very marked in his condition at present apart from the history of his case and the irregularity of his heart's action.

*R. A. Lamb M.D.*

MEDICAL OFFICER.

*M-C-5.  
9.4.19*

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
CROTONATE, SOWEST, LONDON.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Any further communication on this  
subject to be addressed to  
THE OFFICIAL SECRETARY

HIGH COMMISSIONER'S OFFICES,

72, VICTORIA STREET,

WESTMINSTER,

LONDON, S.W.

IN REPLY  
PLEASE QUOTE

Munitions Workers

This is to certify that the bearer

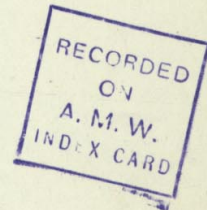
*H. E. Sherratt*  
.....

who is provided with Australian Munitions  
Workers' Badge No. *46* has been brought  
from Australia for special Munitions work and  
is exempt from military service.

*J. Henry B. Barraclough*  
Lt. Colonel.

Officer-in-Charge of Munitions Workers.

20.11.16.





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AUSTRALIAN MUNITIONS WORKERS.

High Commissioner's Office,  
Arsenal Branch,  
Australia House,  
Strand, W. C.

Circular No.6.

Mr. H.E. Sherratt No. 46

Enclosed is a printed certificate entitling you to wear your badge and exempting you from Military Service. Your ordinary signature is required in the space indicated. You should insert it at once.

Please send me by return post the attached receipt and any temporary certificate with which you may have been issued by this Office.

S.H.E. BARRACLOUGH.

Lieut. Colonel.

28.2.17.



Received Certificate for Badge No. 46

Date 4.3.17

Signature H.E. Sherratt

*Brass Moulder*

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE.

Application for Enrolment as Volunteer for Manufacture of Munitions in Great Britain.

Surname *Sherratt*  
Christian Names *Henry Edward*  
Age last Birthday *29<sup>0</sup>* Place of Birth *England*  
Are you a British Subject? *Yes* Married or Single *Married*  
Present Occupation *Brass Moulder*

Give short statement of apprenticeship or training and subsequent experience. *Have had experience in odd-side, plate & machine moulding for the last 14 years. Also Pulling & Mixing Metals*

State specifically where engaged and class of work done during past three years

*Mr A. Sherratt's Brass Foundry  
General Brass, & Gun metal Moulding & Castings*

Class of work which you desire in England, if available. (State trades or sections of trades in order of preference)

*General odd-side work or plate.*

Earliest date on which prepared to embark *Within a week of receiving notice*

Give names and addresses of two personal references as to character

*J. R. Jewell Esq M.L.A  
Lygon St Brunswick  
Mr G. F. Atgeo J.P. Sydney Road N Brunswick*

NOTE. Applicants should forward copies (not originals) of not more than three recent testimonials.

DECLARATION TO BE SIGNED.

I hereby declare that the above is a true statement, that I am in good health and capable of undertaking the work applied for, that I will accept duty in the trade capacity allotted to me and at the rate of wage and under the conditions of working prevailing in Great Britain, and will be subject during the period of my stay in England to the direction of the Ministry of Munitions or officer authorized by the Australian Government. I agree to return to Australia at the termination of the war, or earlier, if so directed.

(Signature) *H. Sherratt*  
(Address) *32 Renards Road  
Caburg*

(Date) *22<sup>nd</sup> 8. 1916*

This form to be returned to:-

The Secretary,  
State Munitions Committee,  
COLLINS HOUSE, MELBOURNE.

The Government of the Commonwealth has decided to send 150 men to England, with a view of assisting the Empire in the production of Munitions.

The men will be chosen from those engaged as follows:—Tool and Gauge Makers, Turners, Fitters, Brassfinishers, Brassfounders, Brass Rolling-mill Hands, Pattern-makers, Machine Moulders, Heat Treatment of Steels and Steel Alloys, Heat Treatment of Brass and Nickel Alloys, Hydraulic Press Forge Men, Shop Examiners, Workers in Chemical Manufactures, and Aeroplane Workers.

Return passages will be provided to and from England, *via* Cape route, in one-class steamers or in transports. Allowances of Five pounds (£5) will be made to each man for expenses on the voyage each way. Such men as are married or are the sole support of mother or family will be granted in addition an allowance as follows:—For the first eight weeks after embarkation, at the rate of Twenty-five shillings (25s.) per week and Two shillings and sixpence (2s. 6d.) per week for each child under the age of sixteen years; and thereafter Twenty shillings (20s.) per week and Two shillings (2s.) per week for each child under the age of sixteen years, until the date of their landing on their return to Australia; these allowances are conditional on their families being and remaining resident in Australia.

The men selected are to agree that they will accept duty wherever placed, and will diligently render every possible service in pursuance of the purpose for which they are to be sent; they will be subject in England to the direction and instructions of the Ministry of Munitions or officer authorized by the Australian Government. The conditions under which the men will work and the rates of wages to be paid in Great Britain will be those prevailing in the districts where and by the firms or Government Departments by whom they are employed; pay to date from the day of commencing duty. Subject to their work and conduct in England being satisfactory and to suitable vacancies existing, the selected applicants will receive favorable consideration when appointments are being made for the Australian Arsenal.

Applications for enrolment must contain the following particulars, viz.:—Name (in full) and address, age, birthplace, nationality, whether married or single, present occupation, a short statement of apprenticeship or training and subsequent experience, a specific statement as to where engaged and the class of work done during the past three years, the class of work desired in England (indicating the trades or sections of trades in order of preference), the earliest date on which the applicant is prepared to embark, together with a declaration signed by the applicant that he is in good health and capable of undertaking the work applied for. Applications should be accompanied by copies of not more than three testimonials. Two personal references as to character must be given.

Applications should be lodged as early as possible, and, in any event, not later than 9th September, 1916, with the Secretary, State Munitions Committee, Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart, from whom printed forms of application may be obtained.

NOTE.—Applications not accepted in the present instance will be noted for further consideration in the event of additional drafts of men being sent to England.

T. TRUMBLE,  
Acting Secretary.

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Please note change of address:  
84, Cromwell Road,  
South Kensington,  
S.W. 7.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,

AUSTRALIA HOUSE,  
STRAND,  
LONDON, W.C. 2.

DUPLICATE

CREDIT ADVICE NO. 603

Date 28.8.19.

A.M.W. No. 46

Name H. E. Sherratt.

Amount £ 1.10.7 (One pound ten shillings & sevenpence)

The above sum has been brought into Arsenal Branch Books during the month of August, 1919. and credited to Department of Defence Current Account. This amount has been received from Ministry of Labour on account of subsistence allowance due for period 30th December to 7th January, 1919, viz £2.5.0, but an overpayment of 14/5d was made by H.M. Factory, Gretna for Holidays for Xmas period 1917, which overpayment has now been adjusted.

This man returned to Australia per s.s. "Thongwa" on 10. 1.19.

Disposal:- Please pay £1.10. 7 to Sherratt, and debit arsenal Branch Current Account.

Credit Advice No. 603

Department of Defence,  
Melbourne.

ACCOUNTANT.

ARSENAL BRANCH.

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

AUSTRALIAN MUNITIONS WORKERS.

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Please post this sheet back as soon as possible.

High Commissioner's Office, Arsenal Branch, Australia House, Strand, London, W.C. 2.

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S. H. E. BARRACLOUGH, Lieut.-Colonel, O i/c, Australian Munitions Workers.

NAME: Henry Edward Sherratt. BADGE No. 48
EMPLOYED AT: E.M. Factory, Greta, as Foreman Boulder.
What class of work are you engaged on? In charge of Foundry, doing General jobbing work in Iron, Brass, Gun Metal, etc., for Maintenance Explosives Department.
District rate of wages: 57/- per week of 54 hours.
Are you paid bonus? Yes. If so, at what rate? 5/- per week.
Are you on piece work? No.
Average hours worked per week (taken over 4 weeks): 50 1/2.
Average wage earned per week (taken over 4 weeks): 23.18. 0.
Maximum wages earned in any week: 24.16. 0.
Minimum wages earned in any week: 22. 8. 0.
Cost of lodgings per week: 10/- Cost of board per week.
What are the working conditions like in the shop? Fair.
What are the living conditions like in the district? Very bad, have lately
Have you suffered from any illness, if so, give particulars: Bad colds in bed eight days.
General: Owing to living conditions being very bad, I have lately gone into private lodgings 20 miles from works. I have to pay 22/6 per week for same. which are fairly good. Supervised the erection and starting of first foundry for these works.

Signature: H.E. Sherratt,
Address: c/o Mrs. Carlyle,
Lovers Walk,
Dumfriess. Scotland.

Date: 9.6.17.
A.M.W.-17-3,000-29/5/17.

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What class of work are you engaged on?..... In charge of Foundry, doing General jobbing  
work in Iron, Brass, Gun Metal, etc., for Maintenance Explosives  
Department......

District rate of wages..... 57/-..... per week of..... 54..... hours.

Are you paid bonus?..... Yes...... If so, at what rate?..... 5/- per week......

Are you on piece work?..... No......

Average hours worked per week (taken over 4 weeks)..... 58½.....

Average wage earned per week (taken over 4 weeks)..... 23.15. 0......

Maximum wages earned in any week..... 24.16. 0......

Minimum wages earned in any week..... 22. 8. 0......

Cost of lodgings per week..... 10/-..... Cost of board per week.....

What are the working conditions like in the shop?..... Fair......

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What are the living conditions like in the district?..... Very bad, have lately.....

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Have you suffered from any illness, if so, give particulars..... Bad colds in bed eight days......

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General..... Owing to living conditions being very bad, I have lately gone into  
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 Are you on piece work? no  
 Average hours worked per week (taken over 4 weeks) 58 1/2  
 Average wage earned per week (taken over 4 weeks) £3-15  
 Maximum wages earned in any week £4-16  
 Minimum wages earned in any week £2-8  
 Cost of lodgings per week 18/- Cost of board per week  
 What are the working conditions like in the shop? Fair

What are the living conditions like in the district? Very bad, have lately

Have you suffered from any illness, if so, give particulars Bad Colds in bed  
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26. 11.18.

Called:

M.O. A.I.F. Reports. Cardiac Debility. Condition poor. Not fit for heavy work in England. Should be returned to Australia as soon as possible.

2.12.18.

Letter from: Re sick pay, has done no work since August 26th,.

REPATRIATED.

/KIG

SHERRATT

AUSTRALIAN MUNITIONS WORKER.

Badge No. 46	CHRISTIAN NAMES. Henry Edward	Age. 29 Married <del>Single</del>	Agreement Signed. 26.9.16. Is Drawing Separation Allowance.	Passport IN 10.11.16. OUT. 10.1.19	Trained as Brass moulder & metal Working as mixer Brass founder	Alternative Trades on Application Form. General odd-side work Plate work
Vic	Left Fremantle Left Avonmouth	Per Per	Osterley Thongwa	On 3.10.16 On 10.1.19.	Arrived at Arrived at	Tilbury On 10.11.16 On

Qualifications and Previous Record.

14 years' experience in oddside, plate and machine moulding - milling and mixing metals.  
Messrs Sherratts Brass Foundry. General Brass and gun metal moulding and casting.

Remarks (NOT INCLUDED IN RECORD ON BACK OF CARD).

This man's report is "satisfactory" - conduct and workcall for no special comment.

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DATE.

Record since Landing.

SHERRATT H. E.

10.11.16  
27.11.16.  
14.1.17.  
28.2.17.  
25.3.17.  
26.4.17.

Reported to Officer-in-Charge, Australian Munitions Workers, London.

Began work with H.M. Factory Gretna as brass founder.  
Returned particulars of work.

Circular 6 sent to S. with badge certificate (Receipt for badge cert. signed and returned 4.3.17.)  
Letter to Officer in Charge from S. enclosing £3 refund on sum advanced while in London (ack. 4.4.17.)  
Letter to Officer in Charge from S. During last 3 months working mostly at fitting. Asks that as work is slack he and A.M.W. Letch may be given opportunity to see work at other brass foundries and engineering shops before returning to Aust. (ack. 1.5.17. Impossible to arrange at present)

10.5.17.

Letter from Officer in Charge to S. has been informed that he and A.M.W. Letch are anxious to work at own trade i.e. brass moulding. Encloses transfer forms (ack. 9.6.17. Decided to remain at Gretna. Foundry has been started and he has been placed in charge)

5.8.17.

Letter to Officer in Charge from S. Fortnight ago while helping to carry ladle of molten iron, weighing about 2½ cwt. strained his heart. Dr. has ordered rest for one month. Asks advice re compensation (ack. 9.8.17. Entitled to 5/- per day sub. allow. Referred to E.E.)

5.11.17.

Letter to Officer in Charge from S. requesting transfer, would like position in brass foundry as foreman, or maker of small metal patterns or plates for moulding off (ack. 13.11.17.  
Questions of transfer under consideration of this office and Min. of Labour. At present transfers only arranged for urgent health reasons. Further instructions may be available at E.E. in fortnights time)

14.11.17.

Letter to Officer in Charge from S. giving further reasons for transfer. Persuaded Management of Factory to allow him to start brass foundry, designed all appliances and supervised erection and installation himself. Firm have now everything necessary for successful foundry. After straining his heart, changed to drawing and tracing work in the Office; finds this work slow, thinks he is wasting his time (ack. 21.11.17. reiterates answer of 13.11.17.)

18.2.18.

Letter to Officer in Charge from S. Since straining his heart has been in indifferent health - lost a lot of time, unable to work at his trade for some time. Is now in bed. Dr. advises return to Aust. as climate irritating to heart. Does not want to come to London for med. exam - could be examined by 2 Drs. at Gretna. Wishes to visit relatives before return to Aust. Asks advice (ack. 22.2.18. To be examined by 2 Drs. and forward the certs. to Aust. House)

Undated.

Letter to Officer in Charge enclosing 2 med. cert. (1) 5.3.18. S. strained heart in Aug. 1917. Heart then dilated also signs of heart failure. After 1 month's leave resumed work on light job, although heart not returned to normal condition. On examination today, find he has an irritable heart, slightly irregular in action, pulse 46 beats whilst sitting, 60 standing, 72 after slightest exertion. Not enlarged and no murmurs. Lungs and other organs appear healthy. Cold climate does not suit him; possibility of better health if returned to Aust. (2) 6.4.18. S. under doctors care since 3.8.17. suffering from cardiac sprain. Has had several attacks of a syncopal nature, would benefit greatly in health by return to Australia. S. states he has lost about 6 weeks time since resuming work in Sept. Loses 2 hours per day as starts work at 9 a.m. pay insufficient for married man, has lately been reduced from charge hand 1d per hour less wage (ack. 10.4.18. Med. certs. do not justify repatriation and no A.M.W.s can be sent back for at least 3 months. If present locality unsuitable, to apply at E.E. for transfer)

10.6.18.

Letter to Officer in Charge from S. requesting information with regard to obtaining transfer to Aust. Flying Corps or Engineers, also qualifications necessary for a commission (ack. 18.6.18. After enlistment would have to apply for school of instruction to obtain a commission, would be under the direction of Mil. Authorities entirely)

- 21.8.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. enquiring as to rate of wages. Is now working with Messrs Hawthorn & Co. Leith as fitter (ack. 26.8.18. If enrolled as W.M.V. entitled to London rate, further particulars given)
- 7.9.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. Has had a bad heart attack and ordered by Dr. to remain in bed for at least a month, will not be fit for work for 3 months or more. Encloses testimonial from Manager of former firm, as to ability as mechanical draughtsman. If could have remained in drawing office, heart would probably have completely recovered, but office being closed, was transferred and being registered as brass founder, could not be placed as draughtsman. Asks if entitled to compensation. Is anxious as regards future, having to support wife and family. Had not time to get on to Dr's panel, therefore has to pay Dr. and nurse (ack. 13.9.18. Requests report of case from Dr)
- 19.9.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from Dr. Stewart enclosing report. First attended S. on 26.8.18. when S. suffering from severe attacks of angina pectoris, slow, laboured and feeble pulse, dilated heart and deteriorated heart muscle. Unable again to take up work, entailing heavy lifting or overtime. May be fit for light work in 3 months. S. states he has not been well since straining heart at Gretna and nothing in his condition to contradict this view" (ack. 23.9.18.)
- 26.9.18. Letter from Officer in Charge to S. summoning him to London for med. exam at A.I.F. Headquarters.
- 30.9.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. enclosing med. cert. "S. quite unable to travel to London" States probably 2 months before journey can be undertaken. Only occasionally able to go out for short distance, subject to frequent heart attack, especially after least exertion (ack. 2.10.18. Med. cert. requested every fortnight)
- 2.10.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. giving history of work done at Gretna and original strain to heart caused through want of proper appliances. After first break down drew compensation £1 per week. This money afterwards being stopped from sub. allow. Afterwards worked in drawing office though in indifferent health and often under Dr's care. After transfer to Leith worked as Brass fitter, but soon had more serious breakdown. Dr. now states will never be able to do labourious work, run, or excite himself. for rest of life will be an invalid, as has wife and family to keep, asks if cannot receive compensation of lump sum of money to enable him to start in some light work. Requests claim for sub. allow may. be expidited.
- 4.10.18. Letter from Officer in Charge to Min. of Mun. enclosing above letter and asking that request re compensation may be granted (ack. 11.10.18. Matter receiving attention)
- 19.10.18. Letter from Officer in Charge to S. When fit to travel, to come to London for med. exam. (ack. 20.10.18. Drs. cert. enclosed. S. still unable to travel to London.
- 30.10.18. Table to Officer in Charge from Defence. Stating it is represented ill health prevents S. from earning sufficient to remit to dependents. Requested to enquire and advise (ack. 5.11.18. by cable. S. strained heart 3.8.17. month's rest till 13.9.17. Indifferent health 26.8.18. Local Drs. cert. Angina pectoris, unable to work since then. When fit to travel to report at London for med. exam. with view to early repatriation.
- 4.11.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. Health decidedly improved, encloses Dr's cert. stating not yet condition to travel to London (ack. 7.11.18.)
- 12.11.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. asking if med. exam necessary since cessation of hostilities Requests that A.M.W. Letch may travel with him to Aust. (ack. 16.11.18. Med. exam., advisable as sick men given preference. Confirmed by telegram same date)

20.11.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from Manager Leith E.E. S. paid sub. allow. to 1.11.18. inclusive (ack. 29.11.18.)

25.11.18. Called with ref. to compensation claimed. Aust. Housd will write to Min. of Mun.

26.11.18. Called for A.I.F. med. exam. Report of M.O.: - suffering from cardiac debility, condition poor. not fit for heavy manual work. Returned to Aust. recommended as soon as possible. (approved for early return by Officer in Charge)

26.11.18. Letter from Officer in Charge to Min. of Mun. referring to their letter of 11.10.18. and requesting information as to settlement of S's compensation claim, in view of his early repatriation.

28.11.18. Telegram from Officer in Charge to S. To report on 12.12.18. at this office for repatriation instructions.

3.12.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. asking that instructions be telegraphed to Manager Derby E.E. pay sub. allow. In great need of money. Enquires as to compensation claim, does not wish to leave England before settlement (ack. 3.12.18. Telegram sent to E.E.)

3.12.18. Telegram from Officer in Charge to Manager Derby E.E. requesting payment of sub. allow. from 1.11.18. (ack. 4.12.18. Cannot make payment until receipt of papers from Leith E.E. Have telegraphed for same)

3.12.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from Manager Derby EE. Sheported on 2.12.18. presented envelope addressed containing (1) copy of letter from Leith E.E. (2) report of A.I.F. Med. Officer Requests advice. S. claiming sub. allow from 1.11.18. (ack. 5.12.18. By arrangement with Min. of Lab. all A.M.W.s paid sub. allow weekly on A.I.F. med. repatriation cert. as S. in financial distress, trusts immediate payment may be made)

4.12.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from Min. of Mun. enclosing copy of letter sent to S. re compensation claim, stating that on med. evidence recently furnished, incapacity for work not due to heavy lifting at H.M. Factory Gretna, Edinburgh specialist stating that lift as described would not have produced dilatation of heart existing at time of examination. Min. cannot hold themselves responsible for present condition. In settlement of dispute offer £50 without admission of liability under Workmen's Compensation Act. If sum accepted to inform Dept. whether insured under National Health Insurance Act. (ack. 10.12.18.)

6.12.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. E.E. still refusing payment of sub. allow (ack. 10.12.18. This office cannot do anything further in matter)

10.12.18. Telegram from Officer in Charge to S. Owing to propeller accident sailing of ship postponed. To await further instructions.

12.12.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. Has accepted offer of £50 in settlement of compensation claim. Asks that Officer in Charge will request early payment from Min. of Mun. (ack. 16.12.18. Has written to Min. of Mun. Encloses form for S. to sign, authorising collecting of amount by Officer in Charge if S. already embarked)

12.12.18. Memo. from Officer in Charge to S. notifying his repatriation owing to ill health.

14.12.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. Manager Derby E.E. requires Drs. cert. covering dates Nov. 1st to 26th. before paying sub. allow. (ack. 19.12.18. Med. cert. for required period forwarded)

17.12.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. enquiring as to date of sailing. Would like to travel with his brother (ack. by telegram 19.12.18. Boat sailing on 9.1.19.

18.12.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from Min. of Mun. Memorandum of Agreement transmitted to the Sherriffs Court, Dumfries, when matter is recorded, draft for £50, made payable to S. and forwarded to Officer in Charge (ack. 2.1.19.)

DATE.

Record since Landing (continued).

19.12.18. Letter from Officer in Charge to Manager Derby E.E, enclosing statement signed by A. I.F.M.O. regarding S's claim for sub: allow: (Ack. 21.12.18. S received payment from 26.11.18. to date, and will now receive sum for period 1.11.18 to 26.11.18).

19.12.18. Letter to Officer in Charge from S. Will be dissatisfied if £50 not received before sailing (Ack. 2.1.19. On receipt of money will immediately forward it).

20.12.18. Cable to Officer in Charge from Defence requesting advice as to S's present position (Ack by cable 3.1.19 suffering from cardiac debility, being repatriated by first boat).

4.1.19. Letter to Officer in Charge from Min: of Mun: enclosing £50 and receipt to be signed by S. (Ack. 7.1.19).

7.1.19. Letter from Officer in Charge to S. To call at this office for cheque for £50 and completion of receipt.

9.1.19. Memo from Officer in Charge to S. To report on 9.1.19 at Aldwych E.E. for repatriation instructions

9.1.19. Called. Received draft for £50 and signed receipt.



Record since Landing (continued).

DATE.

SHERRATT

AUSTRALIAN MUNITIONS WORKER.

Badge No. 46	CHRISTIAN NAMES, Harry Edward		Age, 29	Agreement Signed, 26.9.16	Passport IN 11.11.16	Trained as Brassmoulder	Alternative Trades on Application Form. General oddside or plate moulding.
	REFERENCE SUPPLIED.		Married Single	Yes ..... Drawing Separation Allowance.	OUT	Working as Brassfounder.	

Vic.	Left Melbourne	Per s.s.Osterley"	On 27.9.16	Arrived at Tilbury	On 10.11.16
	Left	Per	On	Arrived at	On

1902-16

14 y. H. Sherratt.. Melbourne, oddside, plate, machine moulding, milling and mixing metals, general brass and gunmetal moulding and casting; green and dry sand, tub work.

Qualifications and Previous Record.

Remarks (NOT INCLUDED IN RECORD ON BACK OF CARD)

Record since Landing.

SHERRATT, H.E.

----- Reported to Officer-in-Charge, Australian Munitions Workers, London.

Left London.

Began work at H.M. Factory, Gretna, as brassfinisher: Letter from: asking that his address be given to F. Sherratt and J.A. Bailey, should they arrive. (Ack. 29.11.16.)

Returned particulars on Circular 1.

Returned temporary certificate and receipt for badge certificate.

Letter from: returning £3, repayment of advance. (Ack. 4.4.17.)

DATE.

11.11.16

24.11.16

27.11.16

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25. 3.17

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

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Date  
Unit

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY TO THE TREASURY.

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TOTALS ...

Gun or Howitzer; approximate number of rounds per Gun or Howitzer  
303 inch; " " " " per Machine Gun  
303 inch; approximate number of rounds per Gun  
Ammunition with Gun:—

re Munition Worker H.E. Sherratt.

Referring to your memo of the 15th inst., No. 19/15781, relative to the payment of an amount of £40 to munition worker H.E. Sherratt, I desire to inform you that Credit Advice No. 118, dated 21/2/19, for the amount was received here on the 4th instant.

(Sgd.) T. TRUMBLE

SECRETARY.

JUL 24 1919

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Pa. 3/17/19  
P.A. 2/18/19  
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To be rendered in accordance with Field Service Regulations, Part II.

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UNIT	Officers	Other Personnel	Riding Horses	Foot and Draught Horses	Animals	Machine Guns	Ambulances	Tool Carts (Technical)	Remarks	Personnel	and Mules	Horses			

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FIGHTING STRENGTH

Subplies with ...

Signature of Com



ADH/MW

TELEPHONES  
CENTRAL (4791)  
19/15781

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Melbourne, 15th July 1919

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The Secretary,  
Department of Defence.

Prev. corr. My memo 13th May, 1919, No. 19/15781  
Subject - Payment of amount of £40 to munition worker  
H. E. Sherratt.

Will you please advise whether credit No. 118 referred to  
in your memo of 6th May has been received, and if so, the date of  
same, as no information of this collection has been received from  
London by this office.

*ASD*

6/11/19  
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Marked to.....

For Secretary to the Treasury





COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,

AUSTRALIA HOUSE,  
STRAND,  
LONDON, W.C. 2.

*Original received  
RR  
18/7/19*

**DUPLICATE** 44 118  
CREDIT ADVICE No. \_\_\_\_\_

21st February 1919.

A.M.W 46

Date \_\_\_\_\_

No. \_\_\_\_\_

SHERRATT H.E. 18

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Amount £

40.0.0. (Forty Pounds)

The above sum has been brought into Arsenal Branch Books during  
month of January. 1919 and credited to Department  
of Defence Current Account. This amount has been received  
from Ministry of Munitions. This man returned to Australia per s.s.  
"Thongwa" 10.1.19

Disposal:- See my cable dated 17th April, 1919.  
Kindly pay this sum to this Munitions Worker,  
and debit Arsenal Branch - Current Account.

Credit Advice No. ~~44~~ 118 \_\_\_\_\_

To:- Department of Defence,  
Melbourne.

**DUPLICATE**

W.C.

ACCOUNTANT.

**ARSENAL BRANCH**

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(WITH DEPENDANTS.)

Agreement made the *Twenty sixth* day of *September*  
1916 BETWEEN THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA (hereinafter called the  
"Commonwealth") of the one part AND

HENRY EDWARD SHERRATT

of 32 Renards Road, Coburg,  
in the State of *V i c t o r i a* (hereinafter called the

"Volunteer") of the other part WHEREAS with a view to assisting the Empire in the work of producing munitions during the present state of war it is considered desirable by the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia that suitable persons should be sent at the expense of the Commonwealth to Great Britain for the purpose of engaging in such work for the Imperial Government or otherwise AND WHEREAS the volunteer has volunteered for such work and it has been decided by the Government of the Commonwealth to send the volunteer to Great Britain for the purpose of engaging in such work as aforesaid upon and subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter appearing NOW IT IS HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREED by and between the Commonwealth and the volunteer as follows that is to say:—

1. THAT the Commonwealth—

- (a) will provide the volunteer with a passage from Australia to Great Britain in a one-class steamer or in a steamer having equivalent accommodation or in a transport and will as soon as reasonably may be after the termination of the present state of war or at such earlier time as the Minister may fix provide the volunteer with a return passage in a similar vessel from Great Britain to Australia ;
- (b) will pay to the volunteer in such manner as the Minister shall direct an allowance of £5 for expenses on each journey going to and returning from Great Britain ; and
- (c) will pay to the wife or mother of the volunteer or other member of his family approved for that purpose by the Minister (provided such wife or mother or family as the case may be is or are resident in the Commonwealth of Australia at the date of embarkation by the volunteer) an allowance or allowances as follows, viz.:—for the first eight weeks after embarkation by the volunteer the sum of twenty-five shillings (25/-) per week and the further sum of two shillings and sixpence (2/6) per week for each child under the age of sixteen years actually dependent upon the volunteer and after the expiration of the said first eight weeks and until the return of the volunteer to Australia the sum of twenty shillings (20/-) per week and the further sum of two shillings (2/-) per week for each child under the age of sixteen years actually dependent upon the volunteer provided that if during the period from the date of the embarkation by the volunteer until the return of the volunteer as aforesaid the wife or mother of the volunteer or his family as the case may be cease to reside in the Commonwealth or if this Agreement is determined at the request of the volunteer or otherwise the said allowance or allowances shall thereupon cease to be payable by the Minister.

2. THAT the volunteer—

- (a) will embark on a vessel leaving on a date and from a port in Australia to be notified to the volunteer by the Acting Secretary of the Department of Defence of the Commonwealth of Australia and will proceed on that vessel to such port in Great Britain as the said Acting Secretary shall direct ;

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- (b) will during the period from his arrival in Great Britain until his departure therefrom on his return to Australia observe in all respects the directions and instructions of the Ministry of Munitions or of Arthur Edgar Leighton Esquire the Australian representative at the Ministry of Munitions or of any other duly authorized representative of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia or any person acting under the authority of them or any of them ;
- (c) will upon his arrival in Great Britain immediately report himself to Major Barraclough or such other officer as may be duly authorized for that purpose at the office of the High Commissioner for Australia for service in the work of producing munitions ;
- (d) will upon being appointed to any class of work in connexion with the production of munitions immediately engage in such work wherever required and will while so engaged work under the conditions of labour and accept the rates of pay which shall prevail in the manufactory in which the volunteer is employed for work of a similar nature to the work in which the volunteer shall be engaged and will diligently and faithfully and to the best of his ability execute perform carry out and do any work or thing allotted or given to him in the course of such work and will not without the permission of a responsible officer of the Ministry of Munitions or any officer duly authorized for that purpose by the Government of the Commonwealth divulge any matters which may come to his knowledge whilst engaged in the work of producing munitions except in the due performance of such work ; and
- (e) will on the termination of the present state of war or at such earlier time as the Minister may fix return to Australia but the volunteer on his return to Australia shall not be under any obligation to enter into the employment of the Commonwealth at any Australian arsenal or otherwise.

3. THAT if upon the return of the volunteer from Great Britain there shall be any vacancy in any Australian arsenal for work which the volunteer is capable of performing and if the work and conduct of the volunteer during the continuance of this Agreement shall have been satisfactory the Minister will give favorable consideration to an application from the volunteer for any such vacancy.

4. THAT no financial responsibility except as provided for in sub-clauses (a) (b) and (c) of clause 1 hereof is undertaken by the Commonwealth.

5. THAT if the volunteer shall fail to observe and perform in all respects the terms and conditions herein contained and on his part to be observed and performed or if the volunteer shall be dismissed from any work in Great Britain during the continuance of this Agreement because of—

- (a) his wilful disobedience or disregard of any lawful order made or given by any person having authority to make or give such order ; or
- (b) his negligence or carelessness in the performance of his work ; or
- (c) his inefficiency or incompetence and such inefficiency or incompetence arises from causes within his own control ; or
- (d) his using intoxicating liquors or drugs to excess ; or
- (e) his being guilty of any disgraceful or improper conduct ;

the Commonwealth may at any time thereafter determine this Agreement. Upon such determination the volunteer shall pay to the Commonwealth the sum of £30 to reimburse the Commonwealth the cost of the passage provided for and the amount of the expenses allowed to the volunteer as aforesaid and such amount shall be recoverable by the Commonwealth from the volunteer as and by way of liquidated damages only and not as a penalty in any Court of competent jurisdiction

6. THAT if any dispute shall arise between the parties hereto or between the volunteer and any other person referred to in or acting under this Agreement touching this Agreement or any clause or thing herein contained or the construction or meaning thereof or any matter or thing in any way connected with this Agreement then such dispute shall be referred to the High Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Australia for determination and his decision shall be final and binding on all parties concerned.

7. THAT any notice direction or instruction which under this Agreement is to be made or given to the volunteer shall be deemed to be so made or given if conveyed either verbally or in writing to the volunteer by the said Arthur Edgar Leighton Esquire or Major Barraclough or other officer duly authorized for that purpose by the Commonwealth or sent by post to his usual or last-known address in Great Britain.

8. THAT this Agreement shall not nor shall anything done under or in pursuance of this Agreement be deemed to create a Contract of Service or Apprenticeship by the volunteer with the Commonwealth.

9. THAT the term "Minister" wherever used throughout this Agreement shall mean and include the Minister of State for Defence of the Commonwealth of Australia or his successors in office the Minister of State for Defence of the Commonwealth of Australia for the time being and the member of the Federal Executive Council for the time being performing the duties of the Minister.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF Thomas Trumble Acting Secretary of the Department of Defence of the Commonwealth of Australia for and on behalf of the Commonwealth has hereunto set his hand and the volunteer has hereunto set his hand the day and year first before written.

SIGNED by the said Thomas Trumble  
Acting Secretary of the Department of  
Defence of the Commonwealth of Australia  
for and on behalf of the said Common-  
wealth in the presence of—

*Trumble*

*J. Pearson*

SIGNED by the said  
HENRY EDWARD SHERRATT  
in the presence of—

*Gordon H. Castle*

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THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

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with

HENRY EDWARD SHERRATT

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Commonwealth of Australia at Canberra this 27th day of September 1916.

# Agreement

FOR DESPATCH OF THE SAID

HENRY EDWARD SHERRATT

TO GREAT BRITAIN FOR SERVICE

IN THE PRODUCTION OF MUNITIONS.

Issued with Badge,  
*Gordon H. Castle*  
 VOLUNTEER HOME SERVICE No. 46  
*G. R. Ballraith*  
 Signature of Issuing Officer.  
 Date... 27.9.16

GORDON H. CASTLE,  
Commonwealth Crown Solicitor.

ARRIVED ex "OSTERLEY" 10.11.16.

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- 22.2.18 Letter to: Instructed to be examined by the two Dr's in Scotland to whom he refers and to forward Med. Certs.
- 9.4.18 Undated letter received from: Have lost in all about 6 weeks since September. Dr's Cert. 6.4.18. "Under my care off and on since 3.8.17 - Cardiac Strain. Several attacks of a syncopal nature and would benefit greatly in health by a return to Australia. Report by Dr. dated 5.3.18. "Strained Heart in August 1917. Given a months leave; given a light job on 13.9.17. Irritable heart, slightly irregular in its action. There is just the possibility that he might enjoy better health if returned to Australia".
- 10.4.18 Letter to: Impossible to repatriate at present. If you want a Transfer apply to your E.E. Told to remain at work.
- 13.9.18 Letter from: In bed ill. Strained my heart at Dornock July 27th 1917. Lost a lot of time on that occasion. Dr. at Edinburgh has ordered me to stay in for at least one month (this is the 15th day) and states I will not be fit for work for three months or more.
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- 30.9.18 Letter from: Dr's says I am quite unable to travel to London as requested by you in letter dated 2nd Oct. Dr's Cert. 19.10.18. Have to-day examined S. and find that he is still unable to travel to London.
- 4.11.18 Letter from: Still unable to travel to London, but there is a decided improvement in my health. Enclosed Dr's Cert. Still unable to work and is not yet in a condition to travel to London for the purpose of being medically examined 4.11.18.
- 15.11.18 Wire from: Come to London for Med. Exam.
- 26.11.18 Called: Examined by A.I.F., M.O. Report:- Cardiac Debility. Condition poor. Not fit for heavy work in England. Should be returned to Australia as soon as possible.
- 2.12.18 Letter from: Re Sick Pay. Has done no work since August 26th.

# STATEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MUNITIONS WORKER.

No. **46** Name **Shebratt H.E.** Ex S.S. **Osterley** M.D. **Victoria**

	DEBIT.		CREDIT.		
		£		s.	d.
<p><del>10-11-16</del> June 25 1917.</p>	<p>To Cash Balance of Voyage:— Allowance to U.K. ... ..</p> <p>„ Cash Advance on “Ulysses,” en route from Cape Town ... ..</p> <p>„ Cash Temporary Advance in U.K. ... ..</p> <p>„ Cash Expenses re Passport ... ..</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>By Balance of Voyage:— Allowance to U.K. ... ..</p> <p>„ Refund of Advance on “Ulysses” ... ..</p> <p>„ Refund of Temporary Advance in U.K. ... ..</p> <p>„ Expenses re Passport ... ..</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>—</p>
<p><del>15-12-18</del></p>	<p>„ Cash Voyage Allowance on return to Australia ... ..</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>„ Voyage Allowance on Return to Australia ... ..</p> <p>„ Debit Balance ... ..</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>—</p>
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Certified correct.

*Paris*  
 Accountant.  
 Arsenal Branch.

Date **10 JAN 1919**  
~~15-12-18~~

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SHERRATT. H.E.

A.M.W. 46.

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

DEFENCE

Melbourne, 13th May, 1919

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*P. Pratts*

The Secretary,  
Department of Defence.

Prev. Corr: Your letter May 6th, 1919. No. W.436/320/4. F3/MR/3  
Subject: Payment of an amount of £40 to Munition Worker,  
H. E. Sherratt.

*96. 5904  
Tr 9104  
due 0  
15/5/19*

Approval has been given to pay the amount in question to Mr. Sherratt in anticipation of the credit advice. The attached Journal Entry, No. 14357, affecting the under-mentioned transfer should be noted and returned to this office as soon as possible.

Dr. London Funds in suspense ) £40  
Cr. Other Trust Moneys Defence Central)

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5904  
AMOUNT PAID  
11/5/1919

for Secretary to the Treasury

*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*

Mr Nethercote, Finance, <sup>15/5/19</sup> 17.

Mr Sherratt called & asked if this matter could be expedited. He states he is going away & is anxious to collect the money. I said ~~if~~ we would notify him when a reply came from the Treasury. His address is ~~64 Holmes St. Brunswick~~

E Waylor

23 Walsh St. Coburg is right <sup>66.</sup> address



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MAY 7 1919 E Waylor

Victoria Barracks  
Melbourne,

To S.O. i/c Embarkation.

Certified that the undermentioned is a  
ordered to report to you at 8.30 a.m. at Town Pier  
on Thursday, 10th May, 1917.

*Y. H. P.*

FOR A

Signature of person embarking. ....

F3/MR/3

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CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

MAY -6 1919

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MEMORANDUM FOR :-

THE SECRETARY TO  
THE TREASURY.

A cablegram has been received from the High Commissioner's Office requesting payment of an amount of £40 to Munition Worker H.E. SHERRATT and stating that credit advice No. 118 follows.

2. I shall be glad therefore if the Treasurer's approval can be obtained to pay the amount in question to Sherratt in anticipation of the advice coming to hand from London.

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*[Handwritten signature]*  
SECRETARY.

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PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT.

**DECODE OF CABLEGRAM.**

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**FROM** High Commissioner's Office to Prime Minister's Dept.

**DATE RECEIVED** 25th April 1919      **DATE SENT** 17th April 1919

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"1282 - Your telegram 14th April - Pay Munition  
Worker 46 Sherratt £40 credit advice 118 follows.  
BARRACLOUGH."

*[Handwritten signature]*

The Secretary,  
Department of Defence

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Referred for attention.



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Secretary  
25/4/19

PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT.

**DECODE OF CABLEGRAM.**

ES FROM Prime Minister's Department TO High Commissioner's Office

DATE RECEIVED.....

DATE SENT..... 14th April 1919

"Barracrough - 46 Sherratt states £40 payable  
him from Ministry Munitions. No advice from you.. Advise."

The Secretary,  
Department of Defence

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Referred in connection with your memorandums

No. 39624 of 11th instant.

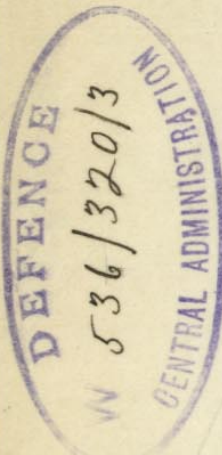
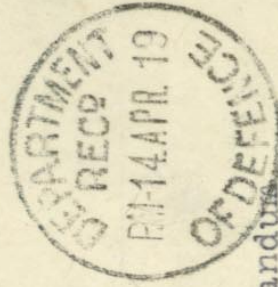
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Secretary  
14/4/19



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APR 11 1919

MEMORANDUM :

The Secretary,  
Prime Minister's Department.

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It is requested that a cablegram in the following terms be despatched to the High Commissioner's Office, London :

"Barraclough - 46 Sherratt states £40 payable him from Ministry Munitions. No advice from you Advise."

*lep*  
Secretary.



*Revd  
12/5/19*

NAME Henry Edward Sherratt. 320 BADGE No. 46  
EMPLOYED AT H.M. Factory, Gretna, as Foreman Moulder.  
What class of work are you engaged on? In charge of Foundry, doing General jobbing  
work in Iron, Brass, Gun Metal, etc., for Maintenance Explosives  
Department.

District rate of wages 57/- per week of 54 hours.

Are you paid bonus? Yes. If so, at what rate? 5/- per week.

Are you on piece work? No.

Average hours worked per week (taken over 4 weeks) 58½.

Average wage earned per week (taken over 4 weeks) £3.15. 0.

Maximum wages earned in any week £4.16. 0.

Minimum wages earned in any week £2. 8. 0.

Cost of lodgings per week 18/- Cost of board per week

What are the working conditions like in the shop? Fair.

What are the living conditions like in the district? Very bad, have lately

Have you suffered from any illness, if so, give particulars Bad colds in had eight days.

General Owing to living conditions being very bad, I have lately gone into  
private lodgings 20 miles from works. I have to pay 22/6 per week  
for same, which are fairly good. Supervised the erection and  
starting of first foundry for these works.

Signature H.E. Sherratt,

Address C/o. Mrs. Carlyle,

Lovers Walk,

Dumfriess. Scotland.

Cb  
8/14/19:  
Date 9.6.17.



COPY.



*Certified True Copy  
for Secretary*

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE.

No. 1305

MELBOURNE.

13 MAR 1919

This is to Certify that No. 46 Henry Edward Sherratt

proceeded on 27th September, 1916 to Great Britain as a Munition Worker

----- under agreement with the Government  
of the Commonwealth of Australia, for employment under the Imperial Government  
or otherwise, and returned to Australia on 2 MAR 1919 on account  
of Ill-health ----- and his agreement  
terminated on 2 MAR 1919

His record during the period of his agreement was Satisfactory.

Secretary.

Form to be Signed by Munition and War Workers on  
Return to Australia.

I, H. E. Sherratt No 46  
of 23 Walsh St. Coburg acknowledge that, in accordance

with an agreement made the ..... day of ..... 19.....

between the Commonwealth of Australia and me, the undersigned (in the said agreement called the "Volunteer") I was provided with a return passage from Great Britain to Australia per s.s. "Alongwa" and that I disembarked

at Port Melbourne from the said ship on .....

the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 1919

(Signature) H. E. Sherratt

Date .....

(Witness) Chfrage

ARRIVED ex "OSTERLEY" 10.11.16.

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- 5.8.17 Letter from: While helping to carry a ladle of molten iron, I had the misfortune to strain my heart. Have been ordered by Dr. to go away for a month's rest.
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Dear Madam,

Further to my communication of the 11th. November last, No.104235, regarding remittances from your husband, Munition Worker No. 46, H. E. Sherratt, I have to inform you that advice has now been received to the effect that your husband is suffering from Cardiac Debility, and is being returned to Australia by the first available boat. No definite information is yet to hand regarding the date of his arrival in Australia, but on receipt of same I will advise you.

Yours faithfully,

T. TRUMBULL

Secretary.



Mrs. A. Sherrett,  
63 Cassella Rd.,  
BRUNSWICK. VIC.

Sent ✓  
6/2/19 ✓

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5/2/19

Sent ✓  
25/2/19 ✓  
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12.2.19

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28/2/19 ✓  
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Decode of Cablegram **RECEIVED** from the High Commissioner's Office. W

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dated 3rd January, 1919.

(Received Melbourne 5th January, 1919)

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"285 - Your telegram 20th December - 46 Sherratt suffering Cardiac Debility being repatriated first boat."

The Secretary,  
Department of Defence.

Referred for your information.

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*J.H. Starling*  
Acting Secretary,  
Prime Minister's Dept.

6/1/19.



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*MP*

Decode of Cablegram **SENT** to the High Commissioner's Office.

SH. \_\_\_\_\_ dated 20th December, 1918.

"Barracough - Advise present position 46

Sherratt."

The Secretary,  
Department of Defence.

Referred in connection with your memorandum  
of the 19th instant No. 116633.

C. A. Records

Registered..... *23/12/18*

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Marked to..... *23/12/18*

*W. A. Sherratt*

Secretary,  
Prime Minister's Dept.,  
20.12.18.

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MEMORANDUM:

The Secretary,  
Prime Minister's Department.

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It is requested that a cablegram in the following terms be despatched to the High Commissioner's Office, London :-

"Barraclough - Advise present position 46 Sherratt."

~~(Sd) T. TRUMBELL~~

SECRETARY. *leb*



*Pendy 12/1/19 ✓*



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Dear Madam,

With reference to your letter of the 23rd ult., regarding the non-receipt of remittances from your husband, Munition Worker No. 46 H.E. Sherratt, I have to inform you that advice has been received from the Officer in Charge, Australian Munition Workers, London, to the effect that your husband has been unable to work since 26th August last, and he has been instructed to report to London for medical examination with a view to early repatriation, but up to the time of writing was not in a position to carry out this instruction owing to his inability to travel. On receipt of further information you will be duly advised.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

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*Handwritten:* C6 29.11.18

Mrs Agnes Sherratt,  
No. 63 Cassells Rd.,  
Brunswick. Vic.

*Handwritten:* b.b. 14/11/18

*Handwritten:* Cable Advise present positions Sherratt 46



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Decode of Cablegram **RECEIVED** from the High Commissioner's Office.

AT. dated 5th November 1918  
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"Referring to your telegram 30th October 46 Sperratt strained Heart August 1917 ordered months rest till September 1917. Indifferent health until 26th August 1918 when local doctors certificate stated Angina Pectoris. Unable work since then. Directed to report to London for medical examination with a view to early repatriation but unable to travel at present.

BARRACLOUGH."

The Secretary,  
Department of Defence.

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Referred for information.

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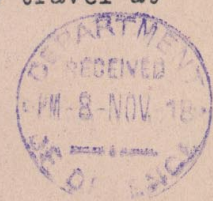
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Secretary,  
Prime Minister's Department. 7/11/18



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Decode of Cablegram **SENT** to the High Commissioner's Office.

SH.                      dated 30th October, 1918.

"Barraclough - Represented ill-health prevents  
46 Sherratt from earning sufficient remit dependants  
enquire and advise."

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The Secretary,  
Department of Defence.

Referred in connection with your memorandum  
of the 29th instant No. 100035.

*W. S. Shepherd*

Secretary,  
Prime Minister's Dept.,  
31.10.18.

*Pend 11/11/18*

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MEMORANDUM:

The Secretary,  
Prime Minister's Department.

It is requested that a cablegram in the following terms be despatched to the High Commissioner's Office, London :'

"Barraclough Represented ill-health prevents 46 Sherratt from earning sufficient remit dependants enquire and advise."

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31 Oct 1918

SECRETARY. *cc*

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*Jana*  
*3/9/18* *11/11/18* ✓

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No 63 Cassells B  
Brunswick

Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> 1918

To  
Head Quarters of  
defence department

Dear Sir

I am writing as regards my  
husband Henry Edward Sheratt  
who enlisted as a Munition worker  
from 92 Reynard Rd Colong and  
sailed Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 1916 and for the  
passed twelve months has been  
in bad health owing to a strain  
of the heart caused ~~through~~ at his  
employment at the munitions <sup>works</sup> and  
by letter received this mail is still  
in bad health, & unable to follow his  
employment to earn sufficient wages  
to keep himself wife & two children  
my allowance from defence department  
amount to £1-4-0 per week  
which is not sufficient to pay

house rent & keep wife & two  
children, hoping you will consider  
the matter, yours  
truly Agnes Sheratt

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25 OCT 1918

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