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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 5057
5678

Name COTTER, John 6/21 Btm
Unit 4th Bn Buff 16 Pz Inf AIF
Joined on 7/9/15

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? John Cotter
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? Alexandria in or near the Town of Sydney in the County of New South Wales
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) Natural born
4. What is your age? 39 years 10 months
5. What is your trade or calling? Mental mechanic
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) (Father) John Henry Cotter, 266 Glebe Road, Glebe Point, Sydney, N.S.W.
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 No
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. Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with Pay would reach eight shillings per day. Yes
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever? Yes

I, John Cotter 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 three-fifths wife and children

Date 7.9.15 Signature of person enlisted. John Cotter

*This clause to be amended where necessary and should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regiment or Corps ~~19th Infantry Battalion~~ **4TH INFANTRY BATTALION, A.I.F.**
 Rank **Private** Surname **COTTER** Christian Name **John**
 Religion **C. of E.** Age on Enlistment **39** years **10** months
 Enlisted (a) **7.9.17** 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

Date	From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.219, Army Form A. 36, 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.219, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
		Embarked			
		Disembarked			
6.10.17.	C.O. 4th Bn.	WOUNDED IN ACTION.	Belguim.	4.10.17.	19/40. V.L. 556. DO 75/6307.
12.12.17.	AMMO SECTION. 3rd Echelon.	WOUNDED AND MISSING.	Belguim.	4.10.17.	55/434/113. V.L. 559. DO 92/7561.
18.3.18.	COURT OF INQUIRY. <i>Held 18/3/18</i>	KILLED IN ACTION.	BELGUIM.	4.10.17.	19/434/12. V.L. 658. DO 22/1039.
	AUSTRALIAN SECTION, 3RD ECHELON. O.H.Q. British Expeditionary Force.		(Sgd) D. R. CROOKS	Captain,	
			for OFFICER I/C RECORDS.		

(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.
 (b) Signaller, Shoring Smith, &c.
 W. 3635-51273 2090m 9/17 (3861). C. P. & S. Ltd., Form B./103 E/1907. P.T.O.

John Cotter
 Signature of Person Enlisted

Taken and subscribed at *Manurewa* in
 the State of *N.S.W.*
 this *7th* day of *September* of
 19*18*, before me—

[Signature]
 Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

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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 of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
hom received			
IB 81.			
2271E			
IB 91.			
IB 92.			
835.			
1.17.			
9847.			
269. DA			
FE. 16.			
1/112			
4.17.			
19.9.1			
4/6040.			

John Cotter
 Signature of Person Enlisted

Lost
 Signature of Examiner

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the above-named person has been duly examined and that the above-named person has been found to be fit for the service to which he is appointed. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to ... **11th Rnfts**

J.W. Greaves
 Signature of Attesting Officer.

Date *27 107 15*
 Place *Liverpool N.S.W.*

R. H. B.
 Commanding Officer
11th R

Confirmation in accordance with the The ...
 All amendments must be initialed by the ...

Army Form B. 103.

Regimental Number 5678.

Casualty Form - Active Service.

4TH INFANTRY BATTALION, A.I.F.
18th Reinforce 4th Battalion. 61st Battalion.

Rank Private. Surname C.O.T.T.E.R. Christian Name John.

Religion C of I. Age on Enlistment 39 years 10 months

Enlisted (a) 7.9.15. 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

Table with columns: Date, Report, From whom received, Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., Place of Casualty, Date of Casualty, Remarks.

(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.
(b) Signaller, Shipping Smith, &c. W. 5635-312733 2900m 9.17 (38611) C. P. & S., Ltd., Form B.103 E/1907. P.T.O.

Signature of Person Enlisted

Signature of Examiner

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

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

Signature of Attesting Officer.

Date 27.10.15
Place Liverpool N.S.W.

Commanding ...

Information in accordance with the Th All amendments must be initialed by t

Statement of Service of No. 567

Date	Report	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
27.11.16.	3rd Echelon. C.H.Q. B.E.F.	Embarked for England per HS "JAN BRUYDEL" (Fract. L/Fibula slit) ex Boulogne.	France.	5.11.16.	FR.1880.
4.12.16.	G.C. Hosp.	adm. County of Middlesex Hosp. Fract. Fibula slit.	England.	8.11.16.	FR 1022. IB 81. Pt II 56/2271E
20.11.16.	do	Transfd. from C of Middlesex to 1st Aux. Hos. Fract. L/Fibula.	do	20.11.16.	FR1599. IB 91.
23.11.16.	do	Dischg. from 1st Aux. Hos. to Weymouth. (Fract L/Fibula slit)	do	23.11.16.	FR 1654. IB 92.
24.11.16.	No. 2 Aust. Comm. Depot.	Marched in from Harefield.	Weymouth.	23.11.16.	B213. FR6835. DO 4/E 10.1.17.
17.12.16.	No. 4 Comm Depot. Wareham	Pte. M/In from Weymouth ex Furlough. 16.12.16.	England.	16.12.16.	B213. LR 9847.
25.3.17.	61st Bn.	Transfd to 61st Bn. from 4th Bn.	Wareham.	23.3.17.	B213. L.R1269. DO 30/3245E 16.4
25.3.17.	do	Taken on strength 61st Bn. from 4th Bn.	England.	23.3.17.	LR1269. DO 1/1123 18.4.17.
12.9.17.	61st Bn. O/Seas Roll.	Pte. Proceeded O/Seas to France to reinf. 4th Bn. via.	Southampton.	12.9.17.	DO 42 E 19.9.17 L.F.8149.
13.9.17.	1st A.D.B.D.	M/In from England.	Havre.	13.9.17.	AX 11372.
21.9.17.	do	M/Out to join unit.	do	21.9.17.	AX 11534.
29.9.17.	C.O. 4th Bn.	Rejoined-HQ-ex-Hospital. Taken on strength from 61st Bn	France.	25.9.17.	A9/39. DO73/6040. (Corr. D.O. 25/1151)

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John L. G.
Signature

Taken and subscribed at *Marwick Farm* in the State of *S. N.* this *11th* day of *September* 19*17*, before me—

I have examined the above details, and

J. W. G.
Signature of

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be made by the Attesting Officer.

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CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

Army Form B. 103.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers, and am of opinion that they are
(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized)

Date... 7. 9. 15

Signature

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED

I, John Cotter

serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from ... 7 ...

until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless I am

dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies as long as

be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my duty

duty according to law.

SO HELP ME, GOD.

Regiment	
Rank <u>Private</u>	Surname
Religion <u>C. of E.</u>	
Enlisted (a) <u>7. 9. 15</u>	
Date of promotion to present	
Extended {	
Occupation	
Report	
Date	From whom received
	O.C.
<u>22. 9. 16.</u>	<u>1st Tng. Bn.</u>
<u>24. 9. 16.</u>	<u>1st A.D.B.D.</u>
<u>4. 10. 16.</u>	<u>1st A.D.B.D.</u>
<u>13. 10. 16.</u>	<u>C.O. 4th Bn.</u>
<u>20. 10. 16.</u>	<u>do</u>
<u>19. 10. 16.</u>	<u>10th Stat. Hos.</u>
<u>6. 11. 16.</u>	<u>do</u>

John Cotter
Signature of Person Enlisted

Taken and subscribed at Naunuck Strim in

the State of N. S. W.

this 9th day September of

..... 1915, before me—

J. W. Freeman
Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initiated by the Attesting Officer.

FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT OR CORPS } **4TH INFANTRY BATTALION, A.I.** Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } _____

Regimental No. **5678.** Rank **Private.**

Surname **COTTER** Christian Names **John.**

Died { Date **4th October, 1917.** Place **BELGIUM.**

Cause of Death* **KILLED IN ACTION.**

Nature and Date of Report } **COURT OF ENQUIRY**

By whom made } **held on 16.3.1918.**

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place _____ Date _____

By whom reported _____

State whether he leaves a Will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) _____ (b) in Small Book (if at Base) _____

(c) as a separate document _____

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the B.E.A.G. Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

AUSTRALIAN SECTION, 3RD SIGNAL BATTALION, 13TH DIVISION, I.S.F. *Brooks* Captain.
 Date **16th April, 1918.** Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } **for Officer i/c Records.**

(1332) W.L. 5710/M745 400,000 8/16 JFW (E328) Forms/B2090A/2

and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date **24 8 15**

Place **TOWN HALL.**

Fit

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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 **11th Rnfts. 2nd Batt.**

Date **27.10.15**

Place **Liverpool N.S.W.**

R. H. Manning

Commanding

11th Rnfts. 2nd Batt.

of John Cotter on Enlistment.

7 years 10 months
5 feet 9 inches
166 lbs.
ment 37 41 inches
Fresh
Blue Goggles
DK Brown
Cof 6
omination

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

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CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions,

scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hemorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or 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 24 8 15

Place **TOWN HALL.**

Fit

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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 ... **11th Rnfts. 2nd Batt.** ...

Date 27 10 15

Place Liverpool N. S. W.

R. H. Brown

Commanding

11th Rnfts. 2nd Batt.
13th

O/B103 France 9/11/17

Statement of Service of No. 5678 Name Cotter, John

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
B Co 13 th Battr 4 th Btm.		14-1-16	31-1-16	B Coy 4 th Ch Battalion.
	PROCEEDED OVERSEAS FRANCE (A 4 B 213 1st (No SW) Eng Btm No 7 Camp Perham Downs ER 3253.	23.9.16		
	Joined 4 th Btm In the Field.	22.9.16		Pt II ⁴³ 1192E 3.10.16
	So. Hosp Sick In the Field.	5-10-16		Pt II ⁹⁴ 8898 2/10/16
	Invalided to England from No 10. Staty Hospital. St Omar Trac. L. Fihda	15.10.16		Pt II ⁹⁹ 891A 2/11/16
		France	5-11-16	Pt II ¹⁰⁵ 9063 18/11/16
	Transf. to 61 st Btm from 4 th Btm	Wrexham England	23/3/17	X.R. 1296 D.O. 30/E 16/4/17
Pte	M into No 2. Com Depot Weymouth from Hanfield		23/11/16	ER 6835 D.O. 31/E 10/1/17
Pte	Pte Offear to France	Eng	23.9.16	ER 3138 D.O. 52/1711E 26.10.16
Pte	Adm Security & M. Sec War Hosp Stability	Eng	5.11.16	D.O. 56/2271 E 29.11.16
Pte	T.O.S of 61 st Btm from 4 th Btm.	Wrexham	23.3.17	DD II 1/1122E 84-117 SR 1269
	Proceeded O/S to France via Stranorrah to reinforce 4 th Btm.		12-9-17	D/O 42/E 19-9-17 26 8/17.
4 th Btm	Rejoined from Hospital	England	25/9/17	D.O. 43/6000 9/10/17
	Wounded in action		11/10/17	D/O 75/1304
	Reported MISSING France		4-10-17	C/O 2142

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

[Signature]
11th Rnfs. 2nd Batt.
13th

Statement of Service of No. 5678 Name Cotter John

Unit in which served	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank		Remarks
		From—	To—	
<u>4th Bn</u>	<u>Pte</u> Ref. D.O. 756307. Previously reported Wounded in Action now reported Wounded and missing 4.10.17.		4.10.17.	S/O 97/4891 19.12.17.
<u>4th Bn</u>	<u>Pte</u> Ref 1070 73/6040 (1917) showing this soldier Rejoiner Battalion 25.9.17 Delete complete entry and in lieu thereof read. Taken on strength of 4 th Bn from 61 st Bn asc 1 st A.K.B.K.		25.9.17.	1070 26/1151. 8.4.18.
				O of E 6087. Subject <u>Missing</u> 22/1039. 23/3/18. @IBL 2383.

4th Bn **KILLED IN ACTION** France 4.10.17
Pres: rep: Wounded & Missing - now Reported

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

SEE COPY A.F. B 103 ENCLOSED

Make them
corrected
copy

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 5057
5678

Name COTTER John
Unit # Ball 18th Regt
Joined on 7/9/15



Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1. What is your Name? | 1. <u>John C. Cotter</u> |
| 2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? | 2. In the Parish of <u>Alexandria</u> in or
near the Town of <u>Sydney</u>
in the County of <u>Dumfriesshire</u> |
| 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>39 years 10 months</u> |
| 5. What is your trade or calling? | 5. <u>Mental Mechanic</u> |
| 6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? | 6. <u>No</u> |
| 7. Are you married? | 7. <u>No</u> |
| 8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) | 8. <u>Father John Henry Cotter</u>
<u>266 Glebe Road</u>
<u>Glebe Sydney N.S.W.</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. Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with Pay would reach eight shillings per day. | 14. <u>Yes</u> |
| 15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever? | 15. <u>Yes</u> |

I, John Cotter 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 three-fifths

Date 7-9-15

John Cotter
Signature of person enlisted.

*This clause to be amended where necessary and should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers, and am of opinion that they are correct.
(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date... 7-9-15

J. W. Greaves Capt.
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, John Cotter, swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 7-9-15 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

SO HELP ME, GOD.

John Cotter
Signature of Person Enlisted

Taken and subscribed at Warrawee Farm in the State of N.S.W. this 7th day of September of 1915, before me—

J. W. Greaves Capt.
Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

Description of COTTER John on Enlistment.

Age 39 years 10 months
 Height 5 feet 9 inches
 Weight 166 lbs.
 Chest Measurement 37 41 inches
 Complexion Fair
 Eyes Blue Good
 Hair Dark Brown
 Religious Denomination C of E

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

1 Pac Scar left Arm

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 24-8-75

Place Green Hall Sydney NSW

L. O. S. Penderin

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 11th Regt 2nd Ball

Date 5/10/75

Place Liverpool N.S.W.

R. H. B. Rowley Ltd.

Commanding 11th Regt 13th Ball

Statement of Service of No. 5678 Name COTTER John

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
B Coy 13 Bat		14/1/16	31/1/16	
B " 4 Bat		32 1/2/16	1/3/16	
16/4		15/3/16		
18 R	4 Btn			
6 th Bn	Private	22.3.17	11.9.17	Also BR 107/34/4 Transf. B.R. 121/103/4/4
4 th " "	"	12.9.17 * 20.9.17	24.9.17	Also BR 117/26/48 * J. B. 2123/31/6

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

Wm R Wilson Lt

Army Form B. 103.

Regimental Number 5678.

Casualty Form - Active Service.

4TH INFANTRY BATTALION. A. I. F. 61st-Battalion.
 18th-Regiment-4th-Battalion.

Rank Private. Surname C. O. T. T. E. R. Christian Name John.

Region C. of E. Age on Enlistment 39 years 10 months

Enlisted (a) 7.9.15. 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

Date	Report		Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
	From whom received				
22.9.16.	O.C. 1st Tng. Bn.		SYDNEY.	3.6.16.	
24.9.16.	1st A.D.B.D.		PLYMOUTH.	3.8.16.	
4.10.16.	1st A.D.B.D.		England.	2.9.16.	E.R. 3253. AX 2154.
12.10.16.	C.O. 4th Bn.		Etaples.	24.9.16.	AX 1980.
20.10.16.	do		In the Field.	5.10.16.	AX 8345. Do 96/8838.
19.10.16.	10th Stat. Hos. Adm. N.Y.D.		St Omer.	18.10.16.	AQ 9150. B213. DO 99/8949.
6.11.16.	do		To Eng. Fract. L/Fobula.	5.11.16.	A.K. 443/40 DO 105/9063.

Go 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.
 W. 8835-312757 2900m 9/17 (8861); C. P. & S., Ltd., Form B./103 E/1807. P.T.O.

Date	Report		Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks
	From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.218, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.			
27.11.16.	3rd Echelon. G.H.Q. B.E.F.	Embarked for England per HS "JAN BREYDEL" (Fract. L/Fibula slt) ex Boulogne.	France.	5.11.16.	FR.1880.
4.12.16.	O.C. Hosp.	Adm. County of Middlesex Hosp. Fract. Fibula Slt.	England.	8.11.16.	FR 1022. IB 81. Pt II 56/2271E
20.11.16.	do	Transfd. from C of Middlesex to 1st Aux. Hos. Fractd. L/Fibula.	do	20.11.16.	FR1599. IB 91.
23.11.16.	do	Dischg. from 1st Aus. Hos. to Weymouth. (Fract L/Fibula Slt)	do	23.11.16.	FR 1654. IB 92.
24.11.16.	No. 2 Aust. Comm. Depot.	Marched in from Harefield.	Weymouth.	23.11.16.	B.213. FR6835. DO 4/E 10.1.17.
17.12.16.	No. 4 Comm Dep. Wareham	Pte. M/In from Weymouth ex Furlough. 16.12.16.	England.	16.12.16.	B.213. ER 9847.
25.3.17.	61st Bn.	Transfd to 61st Bn. from 4th Bn.	Wareham.	23.3.17.	B.213. L.R1269. DO-3345E DO 30/3245E. 16.4.17.
25.3.17.	do	Taken on strength 61st Bn. from 4th Bn.	England.	23.3.17.	LR1269. DO.1/1122E 18.4.17.
12.9.17.	61st Bn. O/Seas Roll.	Proceeded O/Seas to France to reinf. 4th Bn. via.	Southampton.	12.9.17.	DO 42/E 19.9.17. L.F.8149.
13.9.17.	1st A.D.B.D.	M/In from England.	Havre.	13.9.17.	AX 11372.
21.9.17.	do	M/Out to join unit.	do	21.9.17.	AX 11534.
29.9.17.	C.O.4th Bn.	Rejoined-Bn-ex-Hospital	France.	25.9.17.	A9/39. D073/6040.
		Taken on strength from 61st Bn	(Corr. D.O. 26/1151)		

Regimental Number... 5678.

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form - Active Service.

4TH INFANTRY BATTALION. A.I.F. Battalion.
18th Reinforce - 4th Battalion - 61st Battalion.

Regiment or Corps... Christian Name... John.

Rank... Private... Surname... C O T T E R. Age on Enlistment... 39 years... 10 months

Religion... G. of E. Service reckons from (a)...

Enlisted (a) 7.9.15. Date of appointment to lance rank...

Date of promotion to present rank... Qualification (b) ...

Extended ... Re-engaged ... or Corps Trade and rate...

Occupation... Signature of Officer

Date	Report		Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
	From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.			
6.10.17.	C.O.4th Bn.	Embarked Disembarked ...	Belguim.	4.10.17.	A9/40. V.L.506. D0 75/6307.
12.12.17.	ANZAC SECTION, 3rd Echelon.	WOUNDED IN ACTION.	Belguim.	4.10.17.	55/434/113. V.L.559. D0 92/7581.
18.3.18.	COURT of ENQUIRY. <i>Held 16/3/18</i>	WOUNDED AND MISSING.	BELGIUM.	4.10.17.	19/434/12. V.L.658. D0 22/1039.
AUSTRALLAN	SECTION, 3RD ECHELON.G.H.Q. British Expeditionary Force.		<i>[Signature]</i> for OFFICER I/C RECORDS.		Captain,

(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. (b) Signaller, Shooting Smith, &c. W. 3635-312733-20000 9.17 (5581) C. P. & S., Ltd., Form B/103 E/1907. P.T.O.

Report		Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received			

Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., 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.

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National Archives of Australia

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form - Active Service.

4th Battalion
Regimental Number 5678
D 4/10/14

Regiment or Corps 18 Rft
Rank Private
Christian Name John
Age on Enlistment 39 years 10 months

Enlisted (a) 7-9-15 Terms of Service (a)
Date of appointment to lance rank

Extended Re-engaged
Qualification (b)
or Corps Trade and Rate

Signature of Officer i/c Records.

Date	Report From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., 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.		Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
		Embarked ...	Disembarked ...		
22.9.14	OC 1 st Jm Bm	Proceeded to France		27.9.16	ER 3353
4/10/16	Paddy O'Leary	MO before of the		4/10/16	A-2118
24/9/16	OC 1 st Jm Bm	From England		24/9/16	A-1900
13/10/16	OC 1 st Jm Bm	Rejoined of the		5/10/16	HO 25 20/10/16
19/10/16	OC 1 st Jm Bm	(M.P.) admitted		18/10/16	WD 204 A 23/1/19
20-10-16	OC 1 st Jm Bm	Rehospitalized		18-10-16	HO 25 20/10/16
6/11/1916	OC 1 st Jm Bm	(M.P.) admitted		7/11/16	HO 25 20/10/16
4.12.16	OC 1 st Jm Bm	Adm. County of Middlesex Hosp. Frac: Fibula. Ste.		8.11.16	FR 1022 2081 FR 11 2291 F

(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) Signaller, Shoeing-smith, &c.
(B. 103) W 12012-3156 J. P. & Co., Ltd. Form B. 103.

Report		Date	From whom received	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 of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B, 213, Army Form A, 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received						
12	23.11.16 OC Htop			Decid from 1st Aus Htop to Weymouth (France) (Fribula Ste)	England	23.11.16	FR1654 5B92
13	3rd Echelon G HQ BEE			Emil for England per HS Jan Breydel ex Boulogne France L / Fribula	France	5.11.16	FR1880
14	24.11.16 Dep: AFB213			No 2 Aus Comd Marched in from Harefield	Weymouth England	23.11.16	FR6835 D04/E.10.1.17
15	20.11.16 OC Htop			Trans from C of Middlesex to 1st Ayr Htop France St / Fribula	England	20.11.16	FR1599 9B91
16	25.3.17 61st Btn AFB213			Trans to 61st Btn from 4. Btn	Wareham England	23.3.17	LR1269 D030/F.16.4.17 245
17	25-3-17, 61Bn Wareham			T.O.S. 61Bn, from 4. Bn.	Eng.	23/3/17, L R	D.O. 1/F.18/4/17.
18	27/12/16, 22.12.16 Dep Wareham			16th from Dep. Dep. from St / Fribula	Eng	19/12/16	E 89847 402226/4/7/17
19	12.9.17 61st Btn Yvescot			Pl Proceeded from 61st to 4. Bn	France	12.9.17	D0426/9/9/17 18000

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Regimental Number 2678

Casualty Form Active Service.

Rank *Plt* Surname *Cater* Regiment or Corps *4th Battalion* Christian Name *John*

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

Date	Report		Embarked ...	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
	From whom received					
17 13.9.17	102253 D.		MI from England	France	13.9.17	Ax 11372
18 21.9.17	- do -		MI to front	do	21.9.17	Ax 11331
19 29.9.17	C/O 4th Bn B213		Rejoined Bn ex hospital	France	25.9.17	A9139 16726
20 6.10.17	C/O 4th Bn B213		Wounded in action	France	4.10.17	A 940 11506
21 12.12.17	Amac sector		hurled and missing	Belgium	1.10.17	55/134/113
22 18.3.18	Course of Enquiry		hurled in action	do	4.10.17	19/634/12 116

D. R. CROOKS Captain for Officer in Charge Records

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Report		Date	From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c. during period served, or Army Form B.213, Army Form A.56, 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.56, or other official documents
Date	From whom received						

FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } 4TH INFANTRY BATTALION, A. I. S. ^{Field} Troop,
OR CORPS } Battery or Company

Regimental No. 5678. Rank Private.

Surname COTTER Christian Names John.

Date 4th October, 1917. Place BELGIUM.

Died { Cause of Death* KILLED IN ACTION.

Nature and Date of Report } COURT OF ENQUIRY
held on 16.3.1918.

By whom made _____

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Place _____ Date _____

By whom reported _____

State whether he leaves { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) _____ (b) in Small Book (if at Base) _____

a Will or not { (c) as a separate document _____

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the P.N.A.G. Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (with withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Station and Date AUSTRALIAN SECTION, 3RD ECHELON, CHARGE SECTION, R.F.F. 16th April, 1918. for Officer i/c Records.

(1332) Wt. 5710/1745 400,000 8/16 JFW (E328) Forms/E3290A/2

COTTER Surname.	John Other Names.	5678 Regimental No.	4th. Bn. 18th. Rft. Unit.
PURPORT.			AUTHORITY.
Embarked at Sydney N.S.W. on H.M.A. H.S. A.55. Kyarra. 1/6/16 Pte.			3
5-10-16 Joined 4th Btn. "In the Field."			BEFO 96/4-16
8-11-16. Adm to C. of Middx Frac Fibula Slt.			IB 81/5-16.
23.9.16. Proceeding O/s			T.S. Lon 43.2.16.
15.10.16. To Hosp sick In the Field.			T.S. BEFO 99.2.16.
5.11.16. Invalided to Eng. from No 10 Staty. Hosp St. Omer			
France. Frac. E. Fibula.			T.S. BEFO 103.3.16.
23/11/16. Dis. from 1st Aux. Hosp to Weymouth Frac. L.Fibula			
Slt.			T.S. IB 92/3-17.
20/11/16. Trans. from C.of Middx H. to 1st Aux H. Frac. L. Fibula			T.S. IB 91/4-16.
23/9/16. Proceeding O/s to France.			T.S. Lon 52/10/16.
23/11/16 Mchd into No 2 Com. Depot Wymouth from Harefield			T.S. Lon 4/5-17
8.11.16 Adm to Cty of Middlx war Hosp. FRAC FIB Slt.			T.S. Lon 6/5-16

PURPORT.

AUTHORITY.

23-3-17 Tfg to 61st Bn Wareham from 4th Bn.

LON 30/1-17

23.3.17 T.O.S.OF 61st BTTN. FROM 4th BTTN.

LON. 1/21-17

4.10.17. Prev rep. WOUNDED & MISSING now rep. KILLED IN ACTION

BEFO 22/4-18.

12.9.17 Proc O/seas to France via Southampton to rft 4th Bn

LON 42/6-17

~~25/9/17-Re-joined-from-Hosp/-Eng.~~ DELETED BEFO 26/1-18.

BEFO73/2-17

4/10/17 Wounded in Action

BEFO75/4-17

4.10.17 Prev rep. Wounded now rep. WOUNDED & MISSING.

BEFO 92/4-17

25.9.17. T.O.S of 4th Btn. from 61st Btn. ex 1st Aust. Div.

Base Dep.

(M'K) BEFO 26/1-18.

CRIME.

C.M. Form A. 4.



Australian Military Forces.

CHARGE against *Pte. J. Cotter.*
B. Coy. 4th Battn. Squadron, Battery, or Company.
Regiment or Corps

19053

Place and Date of Offence.	Offence.	Name of Witness.	Punishment Awarded	By whom Awarded and Date of Award
<i>Liverpool</i> <i>1st ad. 3. 16</i>	<i>Absent without</i> <i>Leave.</i> <i>6.30 am. x 1. 3. 16</i> <i>til 6.30 am. 2. 3. 16</i>	<i>A/sgm</i> <i>R Parker.</i>	<i>MS-1</i>	<i>At 9 Staff</i> <i>Major</i> <i>Commanding 4th Battn</i>

Length of Service.....years.

Number of Good-conduct Badges.....

Date of last entry in Conduct Book.....

General Character.....

Date of last entry for an act of, or an equivalent of an act of, drunkenness.....

Number of cases of drunkenness within the last twelve months.....

“ “ “ since enlistment.....

Award entered in Conduct Sheet.....(Initials of person making entry).

D. R. Hillier
.....Lieut
Commanding Squadron, Battery,
O.C. B. Coy, or Company
4th Battn.

CRIME



Australian Military Forces.

CHARGE against No. *10* *De Cotter* *Bay* *13th* *Regt* *Inf* *Regiment or Corps* Squadron, Battery, or Company.

Place and Date of Offence.	Name of Witness	Punishment Awarded	By whom Awarded and Date of Award
<i>Liverpool</i>	<i>Absent without leave from 1st to 9 Dec 1916</i>	<i>pay for period stopped</i>	<i>G.A. Rowley</i>
<i>(undated certificate brought in on 10th)</i>	<i>De Gilmour</i>	<i>£15/-</i>	<i>L. Lee</i>
			<i>13th Batt</i>
			<i>16/2/1916</i>

Length of Service.....years.

Number of Good-conduct Badges.....

Date of last entry in Conduct Book.....

General Character.....

Date of last entry for an act of, or an equivalent of an act of, drunkenness.....

Number of cases of drunkenness within the last twelve months.....

" " since enlistment.....

Award entered in Conduct Sheet.....(Initials of person making entry).

[Signature]
Commanding Squadron, Battery, or Company

ORIGINAL STATEMENT ECHELON

1901/5/11

C O P Y

Statement made by No.2612 Sgt Henley G.E. 4th Btn.

re No.5678 Pte Cotter J. 4th Btn.
Wd and Missing 4.10.17.

At Anzac Ridge in the Ypres Section on the 4th October last at 6.30.a.m. a shell burst in front of Private J. Cotter. I saw him fall and on going to him I saw his leg blown off at the hip. the stretcher bearers were present, I saw no more as I had to advance with the Battalion.

Dated at Woodlands Hospital this 21st day of February 1918.

(Sgd) G.E. Henley.

Statement made and signed before me

(Sgd) W.C. Henhall,
M.O. I/c.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned (1) Package , being the effects of the late No. 5678 Private J. Cotter, 4th Battalion.....
consigned to me.

No.	Description,
1	British War Medal,
	Victory Medal.

Signature *J. A. Cotter*

Date *30/5/1922*

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—

The Officer in Charge,
Base Records,
Victoria Barracks,
Melbourne, Victoria.



National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, COTTER J



AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,

VICTORIA BARRACKS,

MELBOURNE, 20 MAY 1927 19

Always state Regimental Number, Rank, Full Name, and Unit of Soldier in your Communications.

Next of Kin should always notify Change of Address to Base Records, Melbourne.

Dear Sir,

I am directed to transmit herewith, per separate registered post,

1 BRITISH WAR MEDAL,

1 VICTORY MEDAL,

on account of the service of your son, the late No. 5678 Private J. COTTER, 4th Battalion.

The package bears Registered No. 7744. G.P.O., Melbourne, and is addressed as shown below. If it does not arrive within a reasonable time (say 14 days) after the receipt of this advice, please cause inquiries to be made from the local postal authorities, and notify this office so that investigations may also be made from this end.

If it comes safely to hand, I shall be much obliged for your acknowledgment on the enclosed receipt form by return of post.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. J.H. Cotter,
266 Glebe Road,
GLEBE,
Sydney. N.S.W.

Major,

Officer i/c Base Records.

DC

C.10675.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

JOS.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,

MELBOURNE, 10th November, 1917.

Dear Sir,

I now beg to advise you that Private J. Cotter,
has been reported wounded.

His postal address will be:—

No 5678, Private J. Cotter,
4th Battalion,

Australian Imperial Force,
Abroad.

In the absence of further reports it is to be assumed that satisfactory progress is being maintained, but anything later received will be promptly transmitted, it being clearly understood that if no further advice is forwarded this department has no more information to supply.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN, Major,
Officer in Charge, Base Records.

D 134/5.17.—C.3416.

Mr. J.H. Cotter,
266 Glebe Road,
GLEBE, NSW.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Base Records Office, A.I.E.F.
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE. 18th. Nov. 1916

Dear Sir, I regret to advise you that information has been received to the effect that Private J. Cotter, 4th Battalion, was admitted to the County of Middlesex War Hospital 8/11/16, suffering from fractured fibulae mild.

His postal address will therefore be:-

~~XXXX~~
INJURED

No. 5678 Private J. Cotter,
4th. Australian Infantry
In County of Middlesex War Hospital.
c/o A.I.F. Headquarters,
130 Horseferry Road,
Westminster, LONDON. S.W.

To ensure speedy delivery the endorsement ~~Injured~~ should be written largely in red ink.

Any further reports received will be promptly transmitted

Yours faithfully,

Mr. J. H. Cotter,
266 Glebe Road,
Clebey N.S.W.

J. M. LEAN.

Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

THIS SLIP TO BE INSERTED IN SOLDIER'S FILE.

B. A. No. 683 SENT TO ADMITNAUST DATE 25/2/18

CONCERNING 5678 J. Cotter, 4th Btn.

Your 4AR 20568 Nothing to prevent finding deceased.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

DEPARTMENTS 25 MAY 1921

Base Records Office,

Melbourne, 24th May, 1921/1921.

Mr J. H. Cotter,

266 Glebe Road,

Glebe,

SYDNEY N. S. W.

Dear Sir,

I regret very much that, notwithstanding the efforts of our Graves Services Unit, we have so far been unable to obtain any trace of the last resting place of

your son, the late No. 5678 Private
J. Cotter, 4th Battalion.

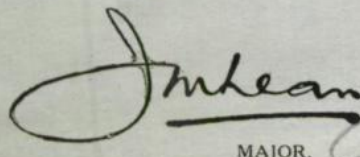
and, so that no possible source of information shall be overlooked, I shall be much obliged if you will let me have on loan any letters or communications that contain any reference to the circumstances surrounding his death, particularly the exact locality at which it occurred, or where he was last seen alive. Of course any information you may have received as to his burial would be of the greatest assistance. The reason these steps are being taken is to identify, if at all possible, those bodies that are being recovered but which have nothing on them to definitely establish identification, and thus obviate the necessity of interring them in the new Military Cemeteries under the heading "An Unknown Australian Soldier."

Only those portions of any letters having a direct bearing or reference to the above need be forwarded. They will be carefully preserved and returned without delay.

If you have nothing that will help, would you kindly let us know, so that we can advise the overseas authorities.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,



MAJOR,

Officer in Charge Base Records.

C.5792.

To the Officer in Charge Base Records,
Victoria Barracks,
Melbourne.

(KINDLY SUBMIT YOUR REPLY HEREUNDER.)

(Place) _____

(Date) _____

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Cont

Base Records Office,
Melbourne, 8th February. 1917.

1918.

12th Feb. 1918

Mr. J.H. Cotter,
266 Glebe Road.
Glebe.
SYDNEY.
N.S.Wales.

To

Officer i/c Base Records,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE.

(Kindly submit your reply hereunder.)

Dear Sir ~~Madam~~,

I regret to have to inform you that no further official news has yet been received of No. 5678 Pte. J. Cotter, 4th Battalion.

who was reported missing on 4th October, 1917.

I shall be glad if you will return this letter to me with a statement as to whether you have obtained any news of the soldier from any other source.

If letters or post cards from the soldier have reached you SINCE THE DATE THAT HE WAS POSTED MISSING, the last you have received should be enclosed; it will be returned to you.

If you have received from soldiers or others reports that the soldier is dead or a prisoner of war, you should state the names and addresses of the people who informed you; if they were soldiers you should give their names, numbers, and regiments; if they sent you letters, the letters should be forwarded. Any letters you send will be returned to you in due course.

J. M. LEAN, Major,
Officer i/c Records.

C.9145.

Dear Sir I beg to inform you that I have had no news of my son John Cotter since the official information I received from you to the effect that he was reported wounded & missing.

Yours faithfully

J. H. Cotter

RECEIVED
14 FEB 1918

Mr. Gelligan 14/2

Miss Blue 15/2/18

(Signature)

(Date)

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Base Records Office,

Melbourne, 8th February. 1917. ~~1917~~ 1918.

1917.

Mr. J.H. Cotter,
 266 Glebe Road.
 Glebe.
 SYDNEY.
 N.S.Wales.

To

Officer i/c Base Records,
 Victoria Barracks,
 MELBOURNE.

(Kindly submit your reply hereunder.)

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J. M. LEAN, Major,
 Officer i/c Records.

G.9145.

..... (Signature)

..... (Date)



Being unable to attend in person, I hereby authorize
W. H. Cotter
 my behalf.

Date **DEC 15 1922**

W. H. Cotter
 Signature

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they are to be sent to Base Records.

When both these forms are used

RECEIPT FOR MEMORIAL PLAQUE.

341441

I hereby acknowledge having received Memorial Plaque No. ~~341441~~

Signature

J. Cotter

Witness

wife of W. J. Cotter

Witness J. W. Beer

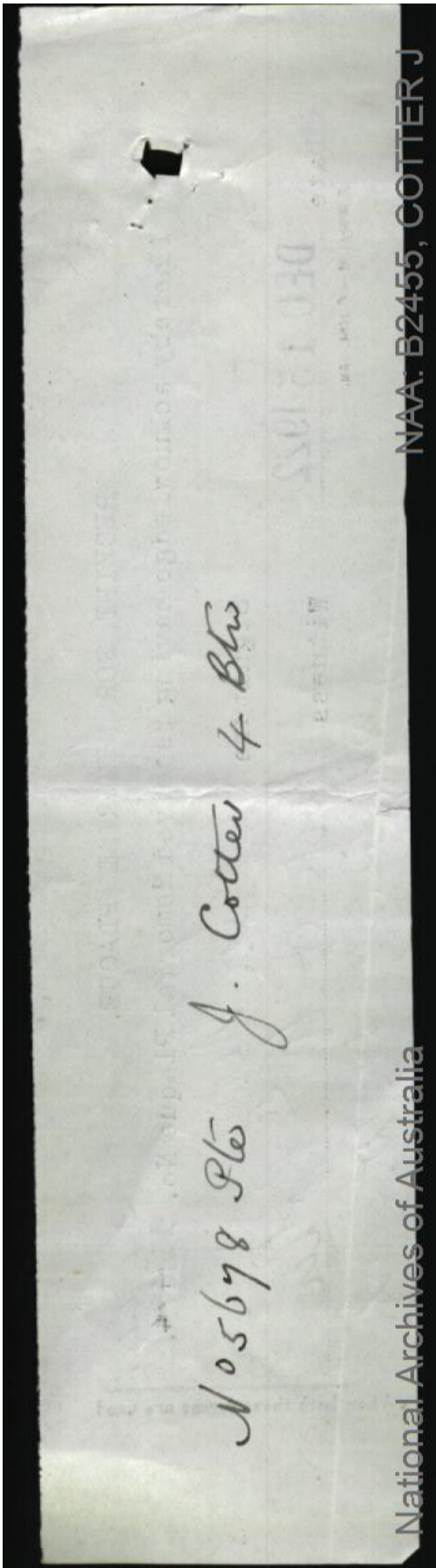
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ARMY FORM B. 178.

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To be used (a) for recruits enlisting direct into the Regular Army, and (b) for men of the Territorial Force when they are admitted to Hospital. Army Form B. 178^A to be used for Special Reserve recruits and Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY of

D41494

Surname Cotter Christian Name John

TABLE I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace ... Parish _____ County _____

Examined ... { on _____ day of _____ 191 ,
at _____

Declared Age ... years _____ days.

Trade or Occupation ... _____

Height ... feet _____ inches.

Weight ... lbs. _____

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully Expanded _____ inches.
Range of Expansion _____ inches.

Physical Development ... _____

Vaccination Marks { Arm ... Right _____ Left _____
Number _____

When Vaccinated ... _____

Vision ... { R.E.—V= _____
L.E.—V= _____

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease ... { (a) _____

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection ... { (b) _____

Approved by (Signature) _____
(Rank) _____ Medical Officer.

Enlisted ... { at _____
on _____ day of _____ 191 .

Corps.	Regtl. No.
4 th Battalion ✓ a.I.F.	5678 ✓

Became non-effective by ... ~~4th BATT. A.I.F.~~ Deceased. D41494.

on _____ day of _____ 191 .

(Signature) _____
(Rank) _____

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P.T.O.

List in the case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.

... bearing on the cause, nature, or treatment of the case, likely to be of interest or of future use. In cases of syphilis, admissions and re-admissions to hospital will be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars of treatment out of hospital, transfers, &c., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.

Signature of Medical Officer

*an good position ruin
No fit in one month*

W. W. Williams

*116 Sprained ankle & fractured fibula
inches up. Slight swelling
B1 a grade 4*

W. W. Williams

B1A3 *W. W. Williams*

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Part 2

Transferred to

DEFENCE B.R.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 5678.

Rank Private Name COTTER, John

Unit 4th Bn (A.I.F.)

314 Casualty Fractured Fibula mild Admt 8-11-16 do Bony of Middlesex
 War Hosp. wond 257/7538c Del London 14-11-16 E.D.
 23.11.16 Dischgd by 1st Aust Hosp to Weymouth 9892/3 Dated London 28/11/16 M.
369 Wounded. 539 21959/296 K. dated London 26.10.17 546.
348 Previously not noted. wounded now reported wounded + missing 4/10/17
 CIBL 2142/5627 dated London 15/12/17
 * *389* ~~Previously not noted~~ wounded + missing
 now reported killed in action 4.10.17
 CIBL 2353/1126 B dated London 26.3.18 Received B. R. 28.3.18

DATE	PURPORT.	REF. NO.
18 NOV 1916	A.F. B. 103 Received D.O.K. Advised In Hospital, 8.11.16 Injured	A.F. B. 2000A Received
9 NOV 1917	N. D. K. Advised Wounded	
DEC 19 1917	M. O. 2 ADVISED, WOUNDED & MISSING. 4/10/17	
25.2.18	COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS Cable A. J. F. Hqs. - nothing prevent finding deceased	
MAR 28 1918	M. O. 2 ADVISED, KILLED IN ACTION 4.10.17	
10.4.18	Pensions advised re Casualty Statement No. 154.	
*12.6.18	Court of Inquiry proceedings received - B. R. M. 30/4.18.	
	No personal effects in kit, B. R. M. No. 27/286	
	WAR RECORD	
	Circular B.R.M. 46/1368 & Booklet re Graves despatched 8.12.17 by printed card 23. + 20	
	1914/15 STAR ISSUED No. NA	
	BRITISH WAR MEDAL ISSUED No. 4224	
	VICTORY MEDAL ISSUED No. 4790	
20/5/22	BRITISH WAR MEDAL issued direct. VICTORY MEDAL issued direct.	

LIST.

"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."
Pamphlet sent to *Mr J. H. Cotter* 26.5.22

MEMORIAL
SCROLL
To
Father
Mr. J. H. Cotter
341441
26.5.22

MEMORIAL
PLAQUE
To *Mr J. H. Cotter*
341441
24/10/22

23/7/28 REGISTER ORDER FORM despatched

to *Mr. 29*
DH