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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.)

*AKK*

Date 9. 8 15

*AK Allan Lieut*

Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

3, Francis William Maher swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 9. 8 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.

Francis William Maher  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Melbourne in the State of Victoria this 31<sup>st</sup> day of July 1915, before me—

*AK Allan Lieut*  
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 MAHER Francis William on Enlistment.

Age <u>19</u> years <u>10</u> months.	DISTINCTIVE MARKS. <u>Scar 3/2 arm</u> <u>moles 4 Neck</u> <u>Scar 1 Breast</u> <u>Rt Knee</u>
Height <u>5</u> feet <u>6 1/2</u> inches.	
Weight <u>11.7</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement <u>34/36</u> inches.	
Complexion <u>Fresh</u>	
Eyes <u>Blue</u>	
Hair <u>DK Brown</u>	
Religious Denomination <u>R C</u>	

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; hemorrhoids; 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 31.7.15

Place Melbourne

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Cable  
2228

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 13/6<sup>th</sup> Rgt

Date 22/10/15

Place Broadmeadows

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Commanding 13/6<sup>th</sup> Rgt

D. 3774.13.—C. 4077.

3845

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Statement of Service of No. 3845 Name Maheer Francis William

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
C Coy 10 <sup>th</sup> Depot Battalion	Nil	9/8/15	21/10/15	
9th Dep BAI		OCT 21 1915	OCT 22 1915	TSFD to Rlt, 12th 6th BATn
<del>15/6<sup>th</sup> Coy</del> 6/12m 12/R		22-10-15		
	Reverts to ranks on joining Bn	22-2-16		1302 43/19
2nd M Gun Sec	Pte Pte L/Corp.	22-2-16		M I M E F O 25, 9.3.16
			31.12.16	App BRR 8/10/16
		1-1-17	19-9-17	Prmt BRR 1/9/15
2nd MG Coy	Corporal	20-9-17	15.10.17	Prmt BRR 1/23/18
2nd M G Coy	Sergeant	15.10.17	15.10.18	App BRR 10.10/18
2nd M G Coy	Awarded The Military Medal			6 M G 95/18 M G 306/18
Gen Inf Coy	Toke 2nd Lead.	19.10.18		
2/10/18 Qualified for Comm. in Inftry. at No 2 Officers cadet Bn and will remain App <sup>t</sup> as cadet until required for Comm Rank (Alot to attend M.S. course commencing 10/10/18. M.I. List 395/18. 11/10/18)				

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

1st MAHER

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.



AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

12th Reinforce  
6th Battalion

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 3815 Name MAHER Francis William m 97  
Unit 12th RIF  
Joined on 3/8/15

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... 1. Francis William Maher
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ... 2. In the Parish of ... in or near the Town of Camberwell in the County of Victoria
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... 3. Not born British subject
4. What is your age? ... 4. 19 years 10 months
5. What is your trade or calling? ... 5. Wheelwright
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... 6. No
7. Are you married? ... 7. No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... 8. Father Bernard Maher 36 Nicholson Street Forbury Victoria ~~Yarraville Vic~~ <sup>underly Miller</sup>
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... 9. 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? ... 10. 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 ... 11. Citizen Forces - 66 area Lance Corporal
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... 12. Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... 13. No
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)— Do you understand that no separation allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach eight shillings per day? ... 14. Yes
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... 15. Yes

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

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

Date 3/7/15 Signature of person enlisted. F W Maher

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

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.

*AKH*

~~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 3. 8. 75

*AK Allan Leunt*

Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

3, *Francis William Maher* swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 3. 8. 75 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.

*Francis William Maher*  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Melbourne in

*AKH*

the State of Victoria

this 31<sup>st</sup> day

Aug July 1915, before me—

*AK Allan Leunt*

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.

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Description of Mahe Francis William on Enlistment.

<p>Age <u>19</u> years <u>10</u> months.</p> <p>Height <u>5</u> feet <u>6 1/2</u> inches.</p> <p>Weight <u>117</u> lbs.</p> <p>Chest Measurement <u>34 1/2</u> inches.</p> <p>Complexion <u>Fresh</u></p> <p>Eyes <u>Blue</u></p> <p>Hair <u>Wk Brown</u></p> <p>Religious Denomination <u>R.C.</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DISTINCTIVE MARKS.</p> <p><u>Nac 3 Carum</u></p> <p><u>Moles 4 neck</u></p> <p><u>Scar 1 R breast</u></p> <p><u>R &amp; L knee</u></p>
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CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

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

Serofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hemorrhoids; 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 31/7/15

Place Milbourn

  
 Signature of Medical Officer

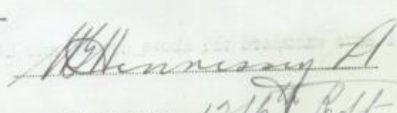
CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

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 12/6<sup>th</sup> Regt.

Date 22<sup>nd</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 15

Place Broadmeadows

  
 Commanding 12/6<sup>th</sup> Regt.

D. 877/14.15.—C. 4077.



B103 orig.  
 Serat 28  
 23.2.18.

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B103 orig  
 27.12.16

Statement of Service of No. *Prate* Name *Maheer Francis William* <sup>m.m.</sup>

*Emb: from Aust. 23.11.15.*

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
<i>C Coy 10<sup>th</sup> Depot Battalion</i>	<i>nil</i>	<i>9/8/15</i>	<i>21/10/15</i>	
<i>9th Dep BAI 13/6<sup>th</sup> Rfb.</i>		<i>OCT 21 1915 27-10-15</i>	<i>OCT 22 1915</i>	<i>TSFD to Rlt, 12th 6th BAI n</i>
<b>TRANSFERRED TO</b>	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Bde. Machine Gun Coy.</i>	<i>12.3.16</i>		<i>Att 1-14 27/3/16</i>
<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</b>	<i>from</i>			
<i>Reinpts at Longham 29/9/16. Pt 2 25 26.32. 9/3/16.</i>				
<i>app. Appl</i>		<i>1-1-17</i>		<i>806/No 31-1-17</i>
<i>8 Appl. To Hos. Sick</i>		<i>2-4-17</i>		<i>Pt II 28/500 2-4-17</i>
<i>Admit. to 3<sup>rd</sup> 7 Amb. Venereal Disease</i>		<i>2-4-17</i>		<i>Pt II 28/506 18-4-17</i>
<i>2 Hptal Adm. to 3rd Cont. V.D. (6) Sick: to duty from 30<sup>th</sup> Gen Hosp</i>	<i>leave</i>	<i>2-7-17</i>		<i>2/0 33/563 22-8-17</i>
<i>Total Period 40 days Ref 2/0 46 28 subpara 506</i>		<i>10-8-17</i>		
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Coy of C. Coy. Victoria Unit Com Hospital</i>		<i>Leave</i>	<i>26.9.17</i>	<i>2/0 40/711 9.10.17</i>
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Coy. Prom. Corporal, to date from 20.9.17 1st Harrison Promoted 430/10 39044</i>			<i>20.9.17</i>	<i>2/0 40/789 9.10.17</i>
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Coy of C. Coy. Prom. Sergeant, to date from 15.10.17 1st Solborne 1st Prom.</i>		<i>Leave</i>	<i>15.10.17</i>	<i>2/0 45/956 21.11.17</i>
<i>" " Awarded the Military Medical 1<sup>st</sup> Ang. Routine Order.</i>			<i>20-11-17.</i>	<i>2/0 47/512-17. 980</i>
<i>" " Sgt. 20 Officers Cadet Btm Coy. 1st Line Supernumerary to 1st Company of 2nd Bn 9 Coy.</i>	<i>England</i>		<i>26-1-18.</i>	<i>2/0 798. 13.2.18.</i>

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



Statement of Service of No. \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Unit.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, etc.	Place.	Date.	Remarks.
1st m of Coy	2nd Genied No 2 Officers Cadet Bn. Cambridge for successful completion will be allotted 4 mac: Gun course	England.	8.2.18.	DD 11/286 E 18.3.18. AIF List 294.
1st m of Coy	5th Bn. Colm: Cherry Amson mil. Corp. V.D. 11.2.18. Dis: 19.3.18. Total period V.D. 37 days	England.	11.2.18 19.3.18.	DD 3/156 E 15.4.18
395	"New designation 1st Mach. Gun. Bn. (Actg. A.I.F. Order No. 1151.)"			

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A.I.F. FORM No. 536.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Department of Repatriation and Demobilisation.

MEDICAL REPORT.

Station Port de Saup  
 Date 28/2/19  
 1. Unit 1st Aust Inf Bn  
 2. Regimental No. 2/14  
 3. Rank 2/Lt  
 4. Name (in Block letters, Surname first), Christian Names in full. MAHER Francis William  
 5. Age last birthday 23 1/2  
 6. Former Trade or Occupation Wrenchbuilder  
 7. Enlisted { on 3/8/15 at Victoria.

M.O. 186/1917  
 Date For Discharge  
3 19 19

DESCRIPTION AT TIME OF REPORT.

Height <u>5'8"</u>	DESCRIPTIVE MARKS
Chest Measurement <u>38"-41"</u>	<u>1 scar right temple</u>
Complexion <u>Fresh</u>	<u>2 Vacc. marks left arm</u>
Eyes <u>Blue</u>	
Hair <u>Dark Brown</u>	

8. DISABILITY (if any).  
 (If no disability the word Nil will be inserted.) Nil

STATEMENT OF CASE.

Note.—The answers to the following questions are to be filled in by the Officer in medical charge of the soldier. In answering them he will carefully discriminate between the man's unsupported statements and evidence recorded in his military and medical documents. He will also carefully distinguish cases entirely due to venereal disease. Answers to questions 9 and 10 will be read over to soldier prior to his signing. If no disability is present this signature does not debar the soldier from making a subsequent claim for disability considered attributable to military service.

9. Date of origin of disability Nil

10. Place of origin of disability Nil } F. W. Maher  
 Signature of Soldier.

11. Give concisely the essential facts of the history of the disability, noting entries on the Medical History Sheet bearing on the case Nil

12. (A) State whether the disabilities are (a) attributable to (b) aggravated by

(i) Service during the present war ...	... ..	... ..
(ii) Climate during present war ...	... ..	... ..
(iii) Serious negligence or misconduct on the man's part	} <u>Not applicable</u>	
(B) If not due to any of these causes, to what specific condition do you attribute it?	}	

13. What is his present condition?

*Weight should be given in all cases when it is likely to afford evidence of the progress of the disability.*

Good

14. If the disability is an injury, was it caused—

(a) In action?

(b) On field service?

(c) On duty?

(d) Off duty?

Not

apply

15. Was a Court of Inquiry held on the injury?

If so—(a) When?

(b) Where?

(c) Opinion?

Not

apply

16. Was an operation performed? If so, what?

17. If not, was an operation advised and declined?

} No

18. *In case of loss or decay of teeth.* Is the loss of teeth the result of wounds, injury or disease, directly\* attributable to active service?

Not apply

19. What is the degree of disablement at present existing (for the general labour market)?

*Degrees of Disablement should be expressed in the following percentages:— 100, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, less than 20, or nil.*

NIL

20. What is the soldier's medical classification?

(a) Fit—General Service.

(b) Unfit—General Service, temporarily  
*(state period during which unfit)*

.. Permanently.

Fit (G.S)

*[Signature]*  
R.M.O. or Officer in medical charge of case.

\* Loss of teeth on, or immediately after, active service, should be attributed thereto, unless there is evidence that it is due to some other cause.

OPINION OF THE MEDICAL BOARD.

NOTES.—(i.) Clear and decisive answers to the following questions are to be carefully filled in by the Board, as on these may depend decision as to a claim for pension.

(ii.) Expressions such as "may," "might," "probably," &c., should be avoided.

(iii.) In answering question 21 the Board should be careful to discriminate between disease resulting from military conditions and disease to which the soldier would have been equally liable in civil life.

(iv.) A disability is to be regarded as due to climate when it is caused by military service abroad in climates where there is a special liability to contract the disease.

(v.) The Board will confine itself to the soldier's condition at the time of holding the Board, and unless disability is present has no reference to the past or the future.

21. State whether the disability is :—

	(a) Attributable to	(b) Aggravated by
(A.) (i.) Service during the present war	not afflie	
(ii.) Climate during present war	...	...
(iii.) Serious negligence or misconduct on the part of the soldier	...	...

Give details :

(iv.) Whether it is constitutional or hereditary.

(B.) If not due to one of the first three of these causes, to what specific conditions do the Board attribute it?

22. Is the disability permanent?

23. What is the degree of disablement at present existing (for the general labour market)?

Degrees of Disablement should be expressed in the following percentages :— 100, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, less than 20, or nil.

24. If an operation was advised and declined was the refusal unreasonable?

Finding :

- Fit—General Service.
- Temporary unfit—General Service for less than six months, fit—Home Service.
- Temporary unfit—General Service for less than six months, unfit—Home Service.
- Temporary unfit—General Service for more than six months, fit—Home Service.
- Temporary unfit—General Service for more than six months, unfit—Home Service.
- Permanently unfit—General Service, fit—Home Service.
- Permanently unfit—General Service, temporary unfit—Home Service.
- Permanently unfit—General Service, permanently unfit—Home Service.



Signatures :—  
 Station .....  
 Date 2/3/19

President: [Signature]  
 Members: [Signature]

Approved. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Station .....  
 Date 2/3/19

A.D.J.C.  
 THE AUSTRALIAN  
 DIVISION.  
 Officer Convening Board.

(To be filled in on transport to Australia.)

Date of Embarkation 31-5-19

Port Liverpool

Name of Transport Aeneas

Brief remarks on case during transit, and state of case on disembarkation in Australia.

Nil.

*J. O. Ward*  
Officer in medical charge.

(At Station or Hospital where finally disposed of.)

Station and Hospital }  
Arrived from ..... Date .....

If admitted		If under treatment		Disease	How finally* disposed of	Date of Discharge, &c.
Date	From	To				

Detailed statement as to condition on discharge and whether discharged as an invalid, to corps, to station or to depot. In case of discharge from the service it should be stated whether the answers to questions 22 and 24 are concurred in.

*Not at  
come  
Aeneas  
J. O. Ward*

12 JUL 1919

Date of final Medical Board, or decision }

Administrative Medical Officer.

**MEDICAL REPORT.**

Station  
Corps  
Regimental No.  
Rank  
Name  
Disability  
Date

Hospital or Station transferred to for final disposal  
Date of final disposal  
How finally disposed of

The original report is invariably to accompany the discharge documents of Invalids.

Form B. 179. 98

Temporary

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<sup>A</sup> to be used for Special Reserve recruits and Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY OF

Surname MAHER Christian Name F. W.

TABLE I.—General Table.

Birthplace (Parish, County), Examined (on, at), Declared Age, Trade or Occupation, Height, Weight, Chest Measurement, Physical Development, Vaccination Marks, When Vaccinated, Vision, (a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease, (b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection, Approved by, Rank, Medical Officer.

TABLE III.—Boards; Courts of Enquiry, Vaccination, Inoculations, etc.; Examinations for Field or Foreign Service, Extension, Re-engagement, or Prolongation of Service; Issue of Surgical Appliances; Particulars of Dental Treatment, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Brief Details and Signature

TABLE IV.—Service Table.

Table with 3 columns: Station or Troopship, Date of arrival or embarkation, Date of departure or disembarkation. Includes handwritten entries for Corps (A.I.F.), Regt. No. (39715), and a signature.



**TABLE II.—Only for admissions to Hospital or to the Sick List in case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.**

Name of Hospital	Admitted to Hospital			Discharged from Hospital			Disease	Number of days in Hospital	Remarks 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
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year				
CHESTERINGTON MILITARY HOSPITAL (CANBERRA)	11	2	18	21	3	18	Gon '20	38	Usual Treatment Discharged to Unit at Pembroke Hill Canberra	W Boyd Gardner

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**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**

Surname Mahe M.M.

Christian Names Francis William

**Statement of Service.**

Rank	Unit	Date of Appointment to A.I.F.	Date of Subsequent Promotion	Reference to Commonwealth Gazette and other Authority
Lieut	Gen 16/26		19.10.18	A1 G-hat 397

**Casualties.**

DECEASED			SICK OR WOUNDED				RETIRED		
Date	Place	Cause	Date	Place	Nature	Returned to duty	Date	Cause	Authority
No. of Grave	Cemetery	Name of Clergyman							

**Personal.**

Civil Occupation	Date and Place of Birth	Married or Single	Relationship, Name and Address of Next of Kin	Remarks
		NS	Father Cornelius Mahe 56, Nicholson St Footscray, Footscray Victoria	

**Record of Service in the Field, also Reference to Decorations, etc., granted, and dates showing the period in each case.**

PARTICULARS	Reference to Orders or other Authority
<p>20 Eng.</p>	<p>6.1.19 D/O 69/66 17.4.19 " 89/120</p>
<p>Ret. 2/5/19 RTA 'Aeneas' getting and so struck off strength</p>	<p>D/O 7/5/19 AIF List 483</p>

### CONFIDENTIAL REPORT.

(To be rendered in all cases—(a) of recommendation for transfer or relegation—(b) when passing out of the Cadet Unit).

On Officer Cadet.	Regl. No. <u>3845</u>	Rank <u>Serjeant.</u>
	Name (in full) <u>Maier, Francis William.</u>	
	Regt. <u>2nd Australian Machine Gun Company.</u>	

Date of joining Officer Cadet Unit <u>8th February, 1918.</u>	Age <u>22 years 10 months.</u>
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Period of Service ...	(A) Home ...	<u>3 months.</u>
	(B) Overseas ...	<u>2 years 8 months.</u>
	(C) Distinctions	<u>Military Medal.</u>
	(D) Wounded ...	<u>-</u>

Standard of Education	<u>Fair.</u>
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Military Knowledge ...	<u>Theoretical and Practical, very fair.</u>
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Power of Command and Leadership ...	<u>Very fair.</u>
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Special Qualifications (See Note (a))	<u>Nil.</u>
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Remarks ...	<u>Has improved very considerably since he came here.</u>
	<u>A good sportsman.</u>
	<u>Has shown great keenness during the latter part of the course. He has commanded Cadets on Field Days very capably and has represented the Company very creditably in games. Recommended for a commission.</u>

Units, in order of preference, to which desirous of appointment	1.	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Army
	2.	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Reserve of Officers
	3.	<input type="checkbox"/> Territorial Force

Note (a): Such as Musketry, Bombing, Anti-gas, Machine Guns, Riding, Technical, Languages.

Date	Signature <u>Lt. Colonel</u>
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Station	Officer Commanding No. <u>2</u>
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Officer Cadet Battalion.



Address while on leave.      Railway Warrant to be made out to.

13, Cavendish Road,  
Morecombe.

Edinburgh.

EPL.

*JP*

25th February. 6

42972

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter (undated), concerning your change of address which has been noted on the records of No. 3845 Private P. E. Maher, 6th <sup>*Bde*</sup> Reinforcements, 12th <sup>*Batt*</sup> Battalion, on the assumption that same applies also to this soldier's father who is shown as next-of-kin.

Yours faithfully,

Capt.  
Officer i/o Base Records.

*W*

Mrs. M. J. Maher,  
56 Nicholson Street,  
Footscray, V.

(1) PRESENT UNIT	1st Machine Gun Battalion		(2) Regtl. No.	3845
(3) Present Rank	Sgt		SURNAME	MAHER
(5) Decorations	"M.M."	(6) Christian Names.	Francis William	
<u>Particulars.</u>				
(7) Date of Enlistment	3.8.15	(8) Place of Enlistment	Melbourne Vic	
(9) Age on Enlistment	19	(10) Any subsequent claim as to age after verification of Birth Certificate	Years	Months
(11) Birthplace	Camberwell Vic	(12) Religion	R C	
(14) Trade or Calling	Wheelwright	(13) If Married	No	
(16) Date of Embarkation from Australia	23.11.15	(15) If an Apprentice	No	
(18)		(17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad	Aust	
(19)		(21) Special Notification Card No.		
(22)				

Nothing to be written in this Margin.

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Regtl. No.

SURNAME

CHRISTIAN NAMES

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Army Form B. 103.  
*B. 103 Aug. 3865.*

*2nd M.G. Coy*  
 Casualty Form—Active Service.

*2nd M.G. Coy*  
 Regiment of ~~Cavalry~~ *146th BATTALION A.I.F.*

Service and Casualty Form.  
 No. 3845 Rank *Private*

Name *Mahe Francis William*  
 "M.M." Service reckons from (a) *1/10/15*  
 Date of promotion to present rank }  
 Date of appointment to lance rank }  
 Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. }  
 Re-engaged Qualification (b) *Maebwright*

Report		Place	Date	Remarks
Date	From whom received			
26/2/16.	C.O. 6th Batta.	Sirapong	22/2/16.	B213 A.P. A 4916 D.O. 25/2632
18/3/16	do	do	11/3/16	B213 M 6218 AD 23/2620
18/3/16	CO No 1 M.G. Coy	do	11/3/16	B213. AP. 6276. AD 01/74
4/5.3.16	do	do		
5.3.16	do	do		
6/2.1.17	2nd Lt. M.G. Coy	do		
7/7/17	do	do		
18/7/17	do	do		
19/7/17	do	do		

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

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other documents.
Date	From whom received				
14	7.7.17	39 <sup>th</sup> G.H. W 3034	Hawke	7.7.17	AK 1383/25
8	6.7.17	30 <sup>th</sup> F.A. H 36	France	2.7.17	AK 1383/24
9				3.7.17	AK 28/506
10	7.7.17	56 <sup>th</sup> G.S. H 36	"	3.7.17	AK 1383/30
11				4.7.17	
15	10.8.17	39 <sup>th</sup> G.H. W 3034	Hawke	11.8.17	AK 1416/32 AK 33/56
16	15.8.17	115 <sup>th</sup> B. Coy P	Cameron	15.8.17	AK 10709
18	25.9.17	P	"	25.9.17	AK 11583
19	29.9.17	206 <sup>th</sup> Coy P 213	France	26.9.17	A 1139 D.D. 401729
17	29.9.17	a	do	20.9.17	A 1139 D.D. 401729
18	23.10.17	P	"	22.10.17	A 1143
24	11.17	P	"	3.11.17	A 1145
20	10.11.17	P P.B. 38077	"	15.10.17	A 1145 AK 45/456
20	11.17	1 <sup>st</sup> Coy Routine order P 92	"		AK 1817/81 D.O. 47/980
21	1.18	549 H.F.	"		AK 2077/78
22			England		

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Army Form B. 103.

2nd Sheet

Regimental Number 215

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Rank Sgt Surname Maheer Regiment or Corps 2nd MG Coy Christian Name Francis William M.M.

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).....

Occupation { ..... or Corps Trade and rate..... 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					
25.2.18	2nd MG Coy. B213		Disembarked ... To Capt Dr. England & born supernumerary		26.1.18	A. 11/57
26.8.2.18	A.I.F. Orders Lot 12.294		formed No 2 Officers base Bn Cambridge	Cambridge	8.2.18	A. 2194/29
27.8.2.18	A.I.F. List 294		Sgt joined No 2 Officers base Bn Cambridge and on successful completion will be allowed to track Ben course	Cambridge	8.2.18	11 E 18 3.18
29.2.3.18	Officers base Bn Cambridge		Officers base Bn Cambridge	Cambridge	19.3.18	L 2571

(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, Shoeing-Smith, &c. W. 9635-32753 2000m 9/17 (3641) C. P. & S., Ltd., Form B.103 E/1907. P.T.O.

"MM"

Report		Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks
Date	From whom received			
28 30 19.3.18	68 hoop Cherryinton	Eng	11.2.18. D.O. 8/15.4.18 19.3.18. NR 477	
31				
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11 10.18	414 hat 395		8.10.18	A1 Hunt 395
32				
36 18.11.19	12 Quater Adrian		18.11.19	AX20006 Stato
34 12-4-19	do		10.4.19	AX20006 Stato
34 12-1-19	M. & C. B. D.		6.1.19	AX20006 Stato
35 13.1.19	do		13.1.19	AX20006 Stato
37 19.1.19	1 M4 B213		15/1/19	AX20006 Stato
38 22.6.19	as 15 hat 468		17.3.19	AX20006 Stato
40 17.4.19	as 20 Quater 52		17.4.19	AX20006 Stato
41 do	do.		18.4.19	AX20006 Stato

*E.F.O.*

240 Service 23/11/15

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

RECORD OF OFFICERS' SERVICES.

Rank and Name <sup>3rd</sup> Lt. Maher, Francis William (M.M.)  
Staff or Unit late 1st M.G. Bn  
Date of Appointment and Gazette  
Promotion (date and Gazette)  
Left Australia in Transport H40 "Keramic" on 23/11 1915 Card

Record subsequent to embarkation.

19.10.18 Lt. 2nd Lieutenant + posted to Gen. Inf. Rly. left 9/19. No. 14/19  
17.3.19 Lt. Lieutenant (1st M.G. Bn) left 13/19. No. 35/19

Returned to Australia (Date, Transport, and any other details):—

Gazetted from A.I.F. 3.9.19. Appointment terminated 28/10/19

D.097/9.17.—C13601.—5M.

19042/19

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PB/DB

TELEPHONE:  
CENTRAL 4741.

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

## AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS.

Melbourne, 17th July, 1918.

Dear Sir,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Fourth Supplement, No. 30498, to the 'London Gazette,' dated 25th January, 1918, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by the undermentioned member of the Australian Imperial Force.

### AWARDED THE MILITARY MEDAL.

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

No. 3845 Sergeant F. W. MAHER. "

The above has been promulgated in 'Commonwealth of Australia Gazette,' No. 95, dated 27th June, 1918.

Mr. C. Maher,  
17 Albert Street,  
Yarraville,  
VICTORIA.

Yours faithfully,

DESPATCHED  
Major,

C.10603.  
National Archives of Australia

Officer in Charge Base Records  
NAA: B2455, MAHER FRANCIS WILLIAM

3/8/15

We hereby give our son Francis William Maher  
consent to volunteer for the A. I. Y.

Cornelius Maher  
Mary J. Maher

I certify that the signatures above are  
the date of my patent -

W. W. Maher

18 JUL 16

17 Albert Street  
Yarraville

July 17 - 1916

CHANGE OF ADDRESS  
NOTED FOR CAIRO & D.P. MAIL  
1916/16

Base Records

Sir

I wish to inform you in reference to my son Gunner F W Maher No 2 Machine Gun Section 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Brigade base of the 12<sup>th</sup> Reinforcements 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion that I have removed to 17 Albert St Yarraville base 5-6 Nicholson Street Seddon this also refers to next of kin

I remain yours sincerely

Mary Jane Maher

FORMAL ACKNTA  
SENT [19/7/16]

M. Maher  
18/7

BASE RECORDS  
18A  
17 JUL 1916  
RECEIVED

Acknowledged  
by P.O.  
18/7/16



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24/2

Change of Address  
Noted for CAIRO & D. P. Ms.

56 Nicholson St  
Footscray

Officer in Charge  
Base Records  
Melbourne

McCobby  
24/2

Sir,

I desire to notify  
my change of address from 181 Simpson  
St Yanaville to 56 Nicholson St  
Footscray in connection with  
the records of  
no 3845.

Corporal F. W. Maher  
12th Reinforcements  
6th Battalion  
2nd Infantry Brigade

A similar note has been forwarded  
to the Paymaster.  
Mary J. Maher

BASE RECORDS  
22 FEB 1961  
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25 FEB Recd

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MEMORANDUM FOR

The Inspector-General,  
The State Savings Bank,  
Melbourne.

W.S. 1456

We advise you of the following particulars re application &

NAME. MAHER, Francis Wm. No. --- Rank Lieut. Unit 1st M.G.Btn.

Address..... "M.M." Castella St., Lilydale.

Date of enlistment ... 3/8/15

Date of embarkation .... 23/11/15

Date of discharge .. 3/9/19 Where discharged.. Melbourne.

Date of disembarkation .. 12/7/19

Has he served ..... Yes.

Reason for discharge .. Termination of appointment.

Remarks .... ----

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FEB 1923  
OFFICE OF THE  
INSPECTOR GENERAL  
STATE SAVINGS BANK  
MELBOURNE

W. MACKINTOSH, Captain,  
Officer i/c Base Records,  
Melbourne.

THE STATE SAVINGS BANK OF VICTORIA,

Head Office: 139/149 Elizabeth Street,

Melbourne

- 6 FEB 1923

MEMORANDUM for

The Officer in Charge,

Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne.

An application by the undermentioned person has been received for a grant under the War Service Homes Act 1918/1920. I shall be glad therefore if you will kindly supply the desired information on the form below and return same to me.

Name MAHER Francis William No 3845 Rank Lieut Unit 1st AM.G BATT.

Address Castella St Lilydale.

5137 1923

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*Dr J. M. W.*  
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GEO. E. EMERY,

NAA: B2455; MAHER, FRANCIS WILLIAM

1st AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

REG'T'L No.	RANK.	NAME.	UNIT.	ALLOTMENT.
3845	Plt	Maher 70	12 6	

Paper att

(Intd) .....  
 (Date) ..... 25/7/16

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES—3RD MILITARY DISTRICT.

Received One B. W. M MEDAL for No.         

Rank

Name Maheer F. W

Unit

A. I. F

(Signature)

F. W. Maheer

(Witness)

Schedule No. 29377

Place

Lilydale

Date

9/3/22

History Card completed

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NAA: B2455, MAHER FRANCIS WILLIAM

Please return this receipt as soon as possible,  
duly signed and witnessed, to—

**Medal Distributing Officer,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne.**

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES—3RD MILITARY DISTRICT.

Received One **VICTORY MEDAL** MEDAL for No.

Rank *Lieut.* Name *F W Maher*

Unit *QD7*

Schedule No. *29168* (Signature) *F W Maher*

(Witness) *R J Mcquell*

Place *Lilydale* History Card completed *RS*

Date *9/5/22*

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Please return this receipt as soon as possible,  
duly signed and witnessed, to—

**Medal Distributing Officer,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne.**

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES—3RD MILITARY DISTRICT.

Received One 1914-1915 Star for No. 9845

Rank *Private* Name *F. W. Maher*

Unit *6PRW*

(Signature) *F. W. Maher*

(Witness) *J. Morony*

Place *Lelydale*

Date *11. 5. 20*

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TRAINEE SECTION.

Record Book compared )  
and attached )

Endorsed by

Checked by

No Book received

Initials ..... Date .....

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Initials ..... Date .....

Initials ..... Date .....

*MAH* 17.7.19

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WAR GRATUITY SCHEDULE *3m 6/14*

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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rank *Lieutenant* Name *MAHER F.W. (M.M.)*  
 Unit *1st Machine Gun Bn.*  
*Rec'd to Aust for H.M. Service embarked 31/5/19*  
 Casualty *S.I.B.L. 3289/620 Dated Lon 4/6/19 Rec B.R. 12/6/19 Other reasons *RA**

Returned to Australia per *A.4. Aeneas*  
 Disembarked *3rd M.B. 12/7/19*

*Form B. 102 amended*

DATE	PURPORT
24 JUN 1919	N.O.K. Advised returning to Australia, form i and Card <i>RA</i>
1-9-19	<i>RA</i>
3. 9. 19.	Form to War Record, A. M. F. List, Despatches <i>RA</i> <i>Appointment terminated (SMG)</i>
25. 11. 19	Form of Commission <i>A.A.B. 3289 N.M. 43/170.</i>
16. 10. 19	"WILL" to <i>RA</i> <i>SM.D. M. 45/142</i> <i>RA</i>
5/3/25.	"WILL" to <i>RA</i> <i>M. 53/475</i> <i>RA</i> <i>1914/1915 Star Issued B.R.M. 43/1229/4</i> <i>RA</i>

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