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MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 1899

Name MAXFIELD William George

Unit 2nd Rfo. 40th Battⁿ

Joined on 16-5-16

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... 1. Maxfield William George
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ... 2. In the Parish of Speydon in or near the Town of Bevonport in the County of Devon
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... 3. Natural Born
4. What is your Age? ... 4. 25 years
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ... 5. Labourer
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. Sister Ruth Maxfield
THIRLSTANE
Tasmania TASMANIA
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. No
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... 12. No
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 wife and 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. No
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... 15. Yes

I, William Geo Maxfield 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 allow not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife.*† W. Geo Maxfield

Date 13/5/16

W. Geo Maxfield

W. Geo Maxfield

Signature of person enlisted.

D.377/11.18.—C.12759.

* 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.

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

17/5/16

G. Arthur Gentry, Esq.

Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, William George Maxfield swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 17th May 1916 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.

W. G. Maxfield

Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Claremont in
the State of Queensland
this 17th day May of 1916 before me—

G. Arthur Gentry, Esq.

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 Maxfield William George on Enlistment.

Age 25 years _____ months.
 Height 5 feet 6 inches.
 Weight 159 lbs.
 Chest Measurement 38 inches.
 Complexion Fair
 Eyes Gray
 Hair Fair
 Religious Denomination England

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Scar base of
 left index finger
 result of axe
 cut.
 R = D6
 Eyes = L = D6

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; haemorrhoids; 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 May 15th 1916
 Place Devonport

G. Addison Capt
 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 2nd Rf - 40th Batt.

Date Aug. 8th 1916
 Place Claremont

C. R. Collins Lt
 Commanding 2nd Rf. 40th Batt.

D.377(A.15.—C.467.

Gray 131031
21.10.16 Aug 1917

Embarked from Hobart 8.8.16
Disembarked Plymouth 30.1.16
B403

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Statement of Service of No. 1899 Name W.H. Maxfield

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks
		From—	To—	
40 th Bn	Taken on strength of 10 th Eng Bn -	England	30.9.16	2 nd Lt 9396E 9.11.16
	Taken on strength from Reinf	do	21.10.16	1 st Lt 11812E 28.11.16
	PROCEEDED OVERSEAS FRANCE.		23.11.16	1 st Lt 1904E 29.11.16
	To Hospital Sick	France	6/12/16	1 st Lt 322 23/1/17
	Repaired Bn from Hosp	France	30.12.16	2 nd Lt 4/11/17 30/1/17
	Wounded in Action	"	7.6.17	2 nd Lt 24/266H/
	Embarked for Eng on SS George	Los	Harve 9.6.17	2 nd Lt 24/2926/
	Wounded in Action France	26/6/17		2 nd Lt 24/2926/
	Embarked for England		10/6/17	2 nd Lt 24/2926/
	Embarked for England		10/6/17	2 nd Lt 24/2926/
	Adm. Col Southern Gen. H. R. jaw	Eng	12/1/17	2 nd Lt 24/2926/ 30/6/17
	Returned to Australia. 1st			2451 7.8.17
	Reinstated to 40 th Bn England		12.3.18	2451 7.8.17 25.3.18

Reached 26.7.18. 3rd Lt 40th Bn.
(G.L.W. jaw)

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

To
THE CHIEF PAYMASTER.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS,
A. I. F.

E.M.L.

Non - Effective Statement.

Reg. No. 1899. Rank Pte. Name MAXFIELD W.G. Unit 40th. Battrn.

Military District 6th. Unit at 2/40th. Battrn. Date of 8/8/16.
On Enlistment Embarkation

TRANSFERS.

Nil.

Date	Reference

PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, and REVERSIONS.

Nil.

FORFEITURES, CRIMES, V.D., Etc.

Nil.

CAUSE OF BECOMING NON EFFECTIVE, WITH DATE OF CASUALTY.

Returned to Australia per "KENILWORTH CASTLE" from
England, for CHANGE. (G.S.W. LT.SIDE OF JAW) 12/3/18. D.O. 25/28/3/18.

COMPILED FROM INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THIS OFFICE

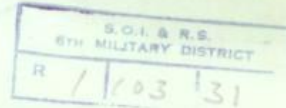
ON THE 5/4/18.

J. B. Edwards Lieut.
Officer i/c Non Effective Records

Adm. H. Coy A.I.F. London
Officer i/c Non Effective Records.

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NO.

CM/DR

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

6TH MILITARY DISTRICT.

District Headquarters.
Anglesea Barracks,

HOBBY. 81 JUL 1918

Officer i/c Base Records,
Victoria Barracks,
MIL BOURNE.



In compliance with instructions contained
in Circular No. 597 of 26/11/15, the following member
of the Australian Imperial Expeditionary Force has been
discharged in this District :-

No.	Rank.	Name & Unit.	Date of Discharge.	Date of Adjustment of Account.	Certificate of Discharge issued.
* 1899	Pte.	William George MAXFIELD, 40th Btn, ex "FIELD MARSHALL" 22/5/18	26/7/18	23/7/18	15.7.18

BRK 136
LM

W. Blaker Lieut.
S/Officer Invalids & Retired Soldiers,
6th Military District.

LTS/MC

6th Military District
S. O. Returned Soldiers.

R 1 101 31

BT.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

6th MILITARY DISTRICT.

District Head Quarters,
Angeles Barracks.

ROBART, 16th. JULY, 1918.

Secretary,
Department of Defence,
WELLS ROAD.

D.S.M.C.

Forwarding herewith the Medical Board pro-
ceedings of the undermentioned member of the Australian
Imperial Forces, for early transmission to the Officer
i/c Base Records, please :-



1899 Pte. MAXFIELD, William George. 40th Battalion.

ex. "Field Marshall" 22.5.18.

CVB

Discharged. 26/7/18.

W. Clark

Colonel.
Commandant, 6th Military District,

BRH 136
LH

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE,
Base Records Office,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

26/3/1958

The Deputy Commissioner,
Repatriation Commission, *Melbourne*

REFERENCE: *M101675.*

12.3.58

Herewith documents indicated relative to the service of the undermentioned ex-member
of the AIF—

Reg. No.	Name & Unit.	Documents attached.
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FOR EARLY RETURN—

1899. Maxfield W. G. 40 Bm — AF B103 ✓

TO BE RETAINED—

BR Card ✓

Attestation Paper ✓

~~AF B103~~

„ B178 *3*

„ B179 *2*

„ B181 ✓

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~~D2~~

„ I 1237 *3*

A & D Cards

G. Weeks
Officer in Charge AIF Base Records.

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To
THE CHIEF PAYMASTER.ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS,
A. I. F.

B.M.L.

Non - Effective Statement.

Reg. No. 1899. Rank Pte. Name MAXFIELD W.G. Unit 40th. Battn.

Military District 6th. Unit at 2/40th. Battn. Date of 8/8/16.
On Enlistment Embarkation Embarkation

TRANSFERS.

Nil.

Date

Reference

PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, and REVERSIONS.

Nil.

FORFEITURES, CRIMES, V.D., Etc.

Nil.

CAUSE OF BECOMING NON EFFECTIVE, WITH DATE OF CASUALTY.

Returned to Australia per "KENILWORTH CASTLE" from D.O.25/B
England, for CHANGE. (G.S.W. LT.SIDE OF JAW) 12/3/18. 28/3/18.

COMPILED FROM INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THIS OFFICE

ON THE 5/4/18.


 Lieut.
 For. Officer i/c Records
 A.I.F. Qos A.I.F., London

Officer i/c Non Effective Records.

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Maxfield

JUL 11 1917

"Bow Bells"
255 Bathurst Street
Hobart
Tasmania

Dear Sir

I would be glad if you
could give me information as to
Private William George Maxfield No 1899
A. company 40th Battalion, who has
recently been wounded in France,
as to the nature and extent of his
wounds and the hospital he is at.

and oblige yours faithfully

Miss Grace Chisholm
"Bow Bells"

255 Bathurst St
Hobart West
Tasmania.



COMMUNICATIONS
SECTION.

JUL 11 1917

87 9 30 12/17

W. Smith
11/17

CASUALTY FORM—ACTIVE SERVICE.

1899

Regiment or Corps *140th Battalion*

Regimental No. *1899* Rank *Pte* Name *MAXFIELD William George*

Enlisted (a) *16/5/16* Terms of Service (a) *A.T.* Service reckons from (a) *16.5.1916*

Date of Promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on roll of N.C.O.'s }

Extended *D. 902/6.16—C.7516—50M.* Re-engaged } Qualification (b) }

Date.	Report.		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.	Place.	Date.	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
	From whom Received.					
<i>6.0</i>	<i>Troops</i>		<i>Embarked.</i>	<i>Tobias-</i>	<i>8.8.16</i>	
	<i>"Ballarat"</i>		<i>Disembarked.</i>	<i>Plymouth.</i>	<i>30.9.16</i>	
<i>1.10.16</i>	<i>A.T. B. 213.</i>		<i>Taken on strength 10.5.18.</i>	<i>London</i>	<i>30.9.16</i>	<i>D.O. 8/307 E. 9.11.16</i>
<i>28.10.16</i>	<i>P. 213.</i>		<i>TAKEN ON STRENGTH FROM 10.5.18</i>	<i>Linkhill</i>	<i>28.10.16</i>	<i>27.400 D.O. 11/812 E. 28/11/16</i>
<i>22.11.16</i>	<i>O.C. 401.</i>		<i>Proceeded Overseas</i>	<i>South-</i>	<i>23.11.16</i>	<i>FR. 1483</i>
<i>18.12.16</i>	<i>1815 5111</i>		<i>FRANCE</i>	<i>Camp St.</i>		<i>D.O. 12/160 E. 29.11.16</i>
<i>13.12.16</i>	<i>10.11.7.16</i>		<i>Adm. Mynar.</i>	<i>London</i>	<i>16.12.16</i>	<i>Att. 592/9</i>
<i>16.12.16</i>	<i>10.11.7.16</i>		<i>Adm. Mynar.</i>	<i>London</i>	<i>16.12.16</i>	<i>Att. 592/9</i>
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<i>16.12.16</i>	<i>10.11.7.16</i>		<i>Adm. Mynar.</i>	<i>London</i>	<i>16.12.16</i>	<i>Att. 592/9</i>
<i>5.1.17</i>	<i>10.11.7.16</i>		<i>Dis. & Base Detail.</i>	<i>P. Owen.</i>	<i>17.1.17</i>	<i>Att. 719/5.</i>

(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) e.g. Signaller, Shooting Smith, &c., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

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1899/40

THIRLSTANE TAS

MISS R MAXFIELD

WSM

PRIVATE WILLIAM MAXFIELD CONVALESCENT

BASE RECORDS

24/9/17

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

FMP

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,

MELBOURNE, 3rd July, 1917.

Dear

I **Madam,**

now beg

to advise you that
has been reported

Private W. G. Maxfield

admitted to 1st Southern General
Hospital, Birmingham, England, 12/6/17, suffering from gunshot wound
right jaw, severe.
His postal address will be:—

No. 1899 Private W. G. Maxfield,
40th 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 19473.17.—C.3416.

Miss R. Maxfield,
THIRLSTANE,
TASMANIA.

E.H.

B.R. Form No. 9.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,
25th June, 1917
MELBOURNE,

Dear Madam,
I regret

Private W.G. Maxfield
wounded.

to advise you that
has been reported

His postal address will be:—

No. 1899 Private W.G. Maxfield
40th 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 194/3.17.—C.5416.

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Miss R Maxfield

THIRLSTANE

TAS

12th July, 1917.

Dear Madam,

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In reply to your letter (undated) I have to state No. 1899 Private W. G. Maxfield, 40th Battalion, is reported as having been admitted on 12/6/17 to the 1st Southern General Hospital, Birmingham, England, suffering from a gunshot wound, right jaw, severe. Any later cabled report will be promptly communicated to the soldier's sister, who is shown as next-of-kin, but in the absence of same it may be assumed he is progressing favourably, the practice of the overseas authorities being to notify this office of any serious change in a soldier's condition.

Letters addressed as under would be forwarded to wherever he may be located at date of their arrival:-

No. 1899 Private W.G. Maxfield,
"A" Coy. 40th Battalion,
Australian Imperial Force,
ABROAD.

Yours faithfully,

Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

Miss G. Chisholm,
"Bow Bells",
255 Bathurst Street,
HOBART WEST, Tas.

WB

1899/40

RUTH MAXFIELD

THIELSTANE TAS

WSM

PRIVATE WILLIAM MAXFIELD STILL PROGRESSING FAVORABLY

BASE RECORDS

14/9/17

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

P.P.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,

MELBOURNE, 31st July, 1917.

Dear

Madam,

I now beg

to advise you that
has been reported

Private ^{g.}W. A. Maxfield,
progressing favourably.

His postal address will be:—

^{g.}No 1899, Private W. A. Maxfield,

40th 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 194/3.17.—C.3416.

Miss R. Maxfield,
Thirlstane,
Tasmania.

Officer in Charge,

Base Records,

Victoria Barracks,

Melbourne, Victoria.

Q/44

Regtl. No. 1899

Rank Pte.

Name MAXFIELD W.G.

Unit 40th Btn.

Enlisted 16th May 1916

Discharged 26th July 1918

I desire the following medals:—

BRITISH WAR MEDAL

BRITISH WAR MEDAL

VICTORY MEDAL

to be forwarded to me at the undermentioned address:—

W. G. Maxfield

Chirkstone

Larmania

W. G. Maxfield

Signature of Soldier

Date 16th May 1924

1/ 3103/4.24.—C.4928—3M.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

DISCHARGE SECTION

No. 1899

Rank Pte

Name MAX FIELD W.G.

Unit

140th Batta

LIST. 316 Casualty Wounded

G.S.W. right jaw

Progressing favorably

Progressing favorably
Convalescent

W.S.M. 1483-9255 dated London 22/6/17

From Adm. Hq. to 1st Southern Gen. Hq.

W.S.M. 1483-9255 dated London 25.6.17

W.S.M. 1483-9255 dated London 20.7.17

W.S.M. 1483-9255 dated London 12/9/17

W.S.M. 1483-9255 dated London 20.9.17

Retg To Aust per Field Marshall List L Left Durban 23 4-18

A.I.F Depot 82/1388 V Dtd. Ctown. 1.5.18. Resd B-R 2.6.18

22/5/17

Returned to Australia per "Field Marshall" ss. jaw.

Disembarked 2nd M.D. for 6th M.D.



DATE	PURPORT.	REF. NO.
26.6.17 3 JUL 1917	<u>10K also wounded</u> <u>N.O.K. Advised in Hospital</u>	
JUL 3 1917	<u>N.O.K. Advised progressing favorably</u>	
SEP 14 1917	<u>N.O.K. Advised progressing favorably</u>	
SEP 25 1917	<u>N.O.K. Advised Convalescent</u>	
MAY 8 1918	<u>N.O.K. Advised returning to Australia from W.F.</u>	
26.7.18	<u>Discharged Pte to 10K</u>	

WAR HISTORY INDEX ab

28/4/24

B.R.P.F. 44 DESPATCHED 6/6 Sister
13 JUN 1924

Soldier W.G.F.F. 12.
7890 S. P. O. Melbourne

1914/15 STAR
BRITISH WAR MEDAL
VICTORY MEDAL

RETURNED
BY 6 O.S.
29.3.24