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*Duke of York*  
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## Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. ~~1199~~  
~~119515~~

Name Gage Charles Alfred  
Unit 8 Rfts 30 Battn  
Joined on March 11 1916

### Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ..... 1. Charles Alfred Gage
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ..... 2. In the Parish of ..... in or near the Town of Georgetown in the County of N. Wales
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (In the latter, papers to be shown.) ..... 3. Natural Born
4. What is your age? ..... 4. 24 years 6 months
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 (Married to Daisy)
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ..... 8. Gage Christopher 25 Gage Georgetown N. Wales
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 Incorrigible 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 advise mother by no Mr Gage
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 Branden Avenue Bankstown NSW
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ..... 12. Yes see letter 1/3/20
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ..... 13. No Oxford Avenue Bankstown
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. Yes NSW. Comes 6/3/22
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small-pox and enteric fever? ..... 15. Yes NSW 15/3/22

*War Medal  
Officer in Charge  
Base Records  
1914-18*

I, Charles Alfred Gage, 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 19th March 1916 Signature of person enlisted. Charles Alfred Gage

\*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 11. 3-16

*Sgt W J Kneading*  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

I, *Charles Alfred Gage* swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from *11th March 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,

*Sgt C A Gage*  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at *Tooleb* in the State of *New South Wales* this *11th* day of *March* 1916, before me—

*\* J. J. Cairns*  
*11/3/16*

*Sgt A W Connelley*  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

\*A person enlisting who objects to take 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 initialled by the Attesting Officer.



Description of Charles Alfred Gage on Enlistment.

Age..... <u>24</u> years..... <u>6</u> months.	DISTINCTIVE MARKS  <u>Nil</u>
Height..... <u>5</u> feet..... <u>9</u> inches.	
Weight..... <u>145</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement..... <u>35 1/2</u> inches.	
Complexion..... <u>Dark</u>	
Eyes..... <u>Brown</u>	
Hair..... <u>Dark</u>	
Religious Denomination..... <u>C of E</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 ; 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..... 19th Decr 16  
Place..... Laurale

Sgt 2 D Brentnall M.D.  
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.....

Date..... MAR 1 0 1916  
Place..... Cly

DEPOT BATTN. A. I. F.  
BATHURST.  
A. C. Ladd  
Commanding ..... Captain,  
Adjutant and Quartermaster.







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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 3558  
419515

Name

GAGE, Charles Alfred

Unit

56 Bn

Joined on

MAR 11 1916

### Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

- 21
1. What is your Name? ..... 1. CHARLES ALFRED GAGE
  2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ..... 2. In the Parish of ..... in or near the Town of Eugowra in the County of Newbold
  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. 24 years 6 months
  5. What is your trade or calling? ..... 5. Laborer
  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  
Trust of Mrs. H. Gage  
Eugowra  
Newbold  
(EUGOWRA N.S.W.)
  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. 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 smallpox and enteric fever? ..... 15. Yes

I, Charles Alfred Gage 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

Date 19th February 1916

h. a. gage  
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.



g. Bunker 1/2 mile N of  
g. Bunker 3 mile N of  
Bunker

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.. 11-3-1916

*W. Snowling Lieut*  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

I, *Charles Alfred Gage*, swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from *9th March 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.

*C. A. Gage*  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at *Foxes* in the State of *NSWales* this *9th* day *March* of *1916*, before me

*\* Joned camp 11/3/16*

*W. H. Munnell Major*  
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.



Casualty Form—Active Service.

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Regiment or Corps (~~8th-11th-56th-Battalion~~)

Regimental No. 3558 Rank Private Name G A G E Charles Alfred

Enlisted (a) 12/2/16 Terms of Service (a) Service reckens from (a)

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

Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b)

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
5/8/16	C/O Troops H.T. Ballarat	Embarked	SYDNEY	5/8/16	
30/9/16	do	Disembarked	PLYMOUTH	30/9/16	
12/11/16	C.O, 8th Tns. Bn.	Proceeding C/Sea, France per S.S. "Onward"	FOLKESTONE	12/11/16	E.R. 6804
18/11/16	C.O, 5th Div. Base	Taken on strength ex England	ETAPLES	13/11/16	A.F. 2213 A.Q. 10747
2/12/16	do	Proceeded to join 56th Battalion ex	do	29/11/16	do A.Q. 11701
8/12/16	C.O, 56th Bn	Reinforcement taken on strength	FRANCE	1/12/16	do A.Q. 12303 D.O. 45/7279
8/1-16	do	KILLED IN ACTION	FRANCE	3/12/16	do A.Q. 12303 D.O. 45/7207 V.L. 162, 15/12/16

ANZAC SECTION 3RD ECHELON G.H.Q.  
BRITISH IMPERIAL FORCE.

(SGD) H. L. FERNS  
O. 1/c Lieutenant,  
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) e.g. Signaller, Shoring Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

(P.T.O)

SO HELP ME, GOD.

*C. A. Gage*  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at *London* in  
the State of *New South Wales*  
this *9th* day *March* of  
.....1916, before me

*James Campbell*  
11/3/16  
*James Campbell Major*  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

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received

A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.

Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.

D. G. R. & buried 1/2 mile N. of Les.  
9031.9. Bocus 3 mls N. of  
bombs.

D/G.

(c) as a separate document

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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 D.F.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.

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Signature of Officer in charge  
of Section Adjutant-General's  
Office at the Base

*W. H. Jones* Lieutenant,  
O. 1/c Records

Station and Date **ANZAC SECTION 3rd ECHELON G.H.Q.**  
**BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.**  
January 10th 1917

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**FIELD SERVICE.**

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 } 56th INFANTRY BATTALION Squadron, }  
 or } A.I.F. Troop, Battery }  
 CORPS } or Company }

Regtl. No. 3558 Rank Private

Name G A G E Charles Alfred

Died { Date December 3rd 1916  
 Place In the Field, FRANCE.  
 Cause of Death\* KILLED IN ACTION

Nature and Date of Report Army Form B.213 dated December 8th 1916

By whom made C.O., 56th Infantry Battalion, A.I.F.

\* 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 Particulars not yet to hand  
 Date - - -  
 By whom reported - - -

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Will not Received  
 (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.

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Signature of Officer in charge } [Signature] Lieutenant,  
 of Section Adjutant-General's }  
 Office at the Base } O. i/c Records

Station and Date ANZAC SECTION 3rd ECHELON G.H.Q.  
BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

January 10th 1917

Wt. 12929/4141. 400,000 12/15 JFW

Form B.2090A  
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*Charles Alfred Gage* on Enlistment.

years *6* months  
feet *5* inches *9*  
*145* lbs.  
height *35 1/2* inches.  
Hair *Dark*  
Eyes *Brown*  
Complexion *Dark*  
Religion *Church of England*

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

*nil*

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, namely: consumption; 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; any chronic disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with 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 arms and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description. I consider him fit for active service.

at *February 1916*  
at *Wundle*

*[Signature]*  
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 .....

*C. Coy*  
MAR 1 0 1916

DEPOT BATTN. A.I.F.  
BATHURST.

*[Signature]*  
Commanding Officer  
Adjutant and Quartermaster.



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Statement of Service of No. 3558 Name GAGE Charles Alfred

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
Coy. DEPOT BATTN. A. I. F. BATHURST. 8th Rein. 30th Batt. O'Hara B103 7.12-11-16		MAR 10 1916	APR 15 1916	
		APR 15 1916		
	Taken on strength of 56th Batt for 6th May 17 56th Bn cc 10th Div. Vast Det 1-12-16			P.I. 40/3845 19-12-16
KILLED IN ACTION. France	3-12-16	France		P.I. 115 7207 6936 875 19/12/16 (56th Batt)
	See copy of B103 enclosed			
56th Bn	Proceeding 6/Dec to France		12-11-16	P.I. 35/108 DE 29-11-16
Burial	Buried 1/2 Mile N of Les Boings 3 Mls N of Comblis Director of Graves Reg France dated 3/5.19.			D & 98 9031 P. P.I. 45/35265 20.6.19. 2363

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



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**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 3558 Name *(Surname)* GAGE  
*in full* *(Christian Name)* Charles Alfred  
 Unit 8/30th Battalion  
 Joined on March 11 1916

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... .. 1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ... } 2. In the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ in or  
near the Town of \_\_\_\_\_  
in the County of \_\_\_\_\_
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized } 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be  
shown.) ... .. }
4. What is your Age? ... .. 4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ... .. 5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, } 6. \_\_\_\_\_  
to whom, and for what period? ... .. }
7. Are you married? ... .. 7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address and relationship to be } 8. \_\_\_\_\_  
stated) ... .. }
9. What is your permanent address in Australia? ... .. 9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His } 10. \_\_\_\_\_  
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. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? 11. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's } 12. \_\_\_\_\_  
Service? If so, on what grounds? ... .. }
13. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who } 13. \_\_\_\_\_  
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. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox } 14. \_\_\_\_\_  
and enteric fever? ... .. }

*Original in case*

I, \_\_\_\_\_ 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  $\frac{two-fifths}{three-fifths}$  of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife.\*† wife and children.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of person enlisted.



CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

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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 .....

.....  
*Signature of Attesting Officer.*

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OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

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I, ..... swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from ..... 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.

.....  
*Signature of Person Enlisted.*

Taken and subscribed at ..... in  
the State of .....  
this ..... day ..... of  
..... 19....., before me—

.....  
*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 ..... on Enlistment.

Age ..... years ..... months.	DISTINCTIVE MARKS.
Height ..... feet ..... inches.	
Weight ..... lbs.	
Chest Measurement ..... inches.	
Complexion .....	
Eyes .....	
Hair .....	
Religious Denomination .....	

#### 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; 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 .....

Place .....

.....  
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 .....

Date .....

Place .....

.....  
Commanding







25 JAN 1926

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of 18th January, applying for a photograph of the grave of your son, the late No. 3558 Private C.A. GAGE, 56th Battalion, and in reply very much regret to inform you that no report of burial has been received to date in this connection, and in the absence of official notification from the Imperial War Graves Commission, it must be reluctantly concluded that the authorities have not succeeded in locating the site.

Failing the ultimate recovery and identification of his remains, the late soldier's name will be noted for inclusion on the memorial to the missing to be erected at Villers Bretonneux, France, and at a later date the opportunity will be afforded relatives of obtaining a copy of the printed Register containing full particulars of those commemorated in this manner.

No personal effects of your son have been returned to this office, and in view of the length of time that has elapsed since his death, it is considered improbable that any were recovered at the time.

Regarding the latter part of your letter, I have referred an extract to the Secretary, A.I.F. Canteens Funds Trust, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, who will reply direct to your application for monetary assistance.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. M. Gage,  
Riley Street,  
NSW

Captain,  
Officer i/c Base Records.



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25 JAN 1926

The Secretary,  
A.I.F. Canteens Funds Trust,  
Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE, V.  
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DISPATCHED

The following extract of a communication received from Mrs. M. Gage, Riley Street, Forbes, New South Wales, Mother of the late No. 3558 Private G.A. GAGE, 56th Battalion, is referred for favor of attention and reply direct to writer, please, viz :-

"I heard that there was some money paid out for deceased soldiers' dependents. I don't know how true it is, if such is the case I would be very thankful as I am in very poor circumstances just now for I have been very ill and by the time I pay my rent and buy a bit of wood, I have nothing much of my pension left, so I would be very thankful if you could help me a little, you would kindly oblige me."

Formal acknowledgement has been sent.

Captain,  
Officer i/c Base Records.



address  
Mrs M. Gage  
Riley  
Forbes  
I only received  
a war pension

Forbes  
Riley - St  
18/1/26.

Victoria Barracks  
Melbourns.

Dear Sir

I now write these few lines kindly asking if you have a photo of my son's grave as I have been waiting for one for I never got any thing of his not even any belongs & I thought that something might have turn up by this. My son was private charles alfred Gage 5<sup>th</sup> battalion no. 3558. so if there is anything belong of his I would be glad to have them & I heard that there was some money payed out for deases soldier dependens I dont no how true it is if such is the case I would be very thankfull as I am in very poor circumstance just now for I have been very ill & by the time I pay my rent & buy a bit of wood I has nothing much left <sup>of my pension</sup> so I would be very thankfull if you could help me a little you would kindly oblige me

Yours faithfull



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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. 3558 Private C. A. Gage, 56th Battalion, consigned to me.

No.	Description,
1	BRITISH WAR MEDAL,
1	VICTORY MEDAL,

RECORDED  
JUN 8 1922

D.1072/S.17.—0.10113.—60M.

Signature *Mary Gage*

Date *31/5/1922*

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—

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

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RECEIPT SLIP FOR MEMORIAL SCROLL.

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Department of Defence, one Memorial Scroll and King's Message, in connexion with the late *No 3028 Pt Gage C.A.*

*56 Bk*



(Signature) *Mary. Gage*

(Date) *3/6/22*

This slip to be returned to the Officer in Charge Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, Victoria, within seven (7) days.

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G A G E

Charles Alfred 1 (Pte)

8 Rf. 30th Bn.

WAR GRATUITY SCHEDULE D

Other Names: D 45 1

3558

Unit

Regimental No.

PURPORT.

AUTHORITY.

Emb. at Sydney A 70 Ballarat on 5/8/16

12.11.16 Proceeding Overseas to France Details in U.K. MW

3.12.16 Killed in Action FRANCE

1.12.16 T.O.S. 56th Battn. from 8th Rnfts 30th Bn ex 5th Aust

Divl Base Depot

Buried half mile N of Les Boeufs 3 mls N of Combles France

L'DN 35/2-16

BEFO 45/1-16

BEFO 45/5.16

L'DN 45/1.17

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Oxford Avenue  
Bankstown  
4:6:1922.

Base Records Office  
Victoria Barracks.  
Melbourne.

Just a line to let  
you know I received the Scroll alright  
and am forwarding back. Slip and  
also to let you know that I am  
changing my address. so if there is any  
letters for me at any time address.



Post Office  
Leobus.

Yours Faithfully  
Mary Gage

89. 15/6.

*aka noted*



AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.  
BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS,

MELBOURNE. 20 MAY 1922 19

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

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

Dear Madam,

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. 3558 Private  
C. A. Gage, 56th Battalion.

The package bears Registered No. 7470. 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,

Mrs. M. Gage,  
Oxford Avenue,  
BANKSTOWN, N.S.W.

C.17100.

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.



MENTAL HOSPITAL,

PARRAMATTA, 1st April, 1922.

*Mr. Henry Gage  
Can you send  
4/4*

The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records Office,  
Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE.

Dear Sir,

In reference to your communication of 25th ult., re  
Mr. Christopher Henry Gage, I beg to state that he is still an  
inmate of this Hospital, but is not in a fit state to attend  
any ceremony to receive War Medals.

Yours faithfully,

*Castro*

Medical Superintendent.



*Miss Blue  
5/4*

*War Medals etc to mother  
J.M. Major  
Officer i/c Base Records  
17.4.22*

E. E.

xxxx 4780

25th March, 1922.

Dear Sir,

I shall be obliged if you will advise me whether Mr. Christopher Henry GAGE is still an inmate of the Mental Asylum, also whether he is in a fit state to receive the War Medals, etc., issuable on account of the service of the late No. 3558 Private Charles Alfred GAGE, 56th Battalion.

Thanking you in anticipation of the favour of an early reply,

Yours faithfully,

The Superintendent,  
Mental Hospital,  
PARRAMATTA, N.S.W..

Major.  
Officer i/c Base Records.



-- 4780

KW.

15th March, 1922.

DES. ATTACHED  
17 MAR 1922

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 6th March concerning your son, the late No. 3558, Private C.A. Gage, 56th Battalion.

It is regretted that no photographs of the late soldier's grave have been received at this office. Although your son's records show that he was buried at a spot between Les Boeuifs and Combles, no burial spot between Victoria Barracks, Melbourne - Office in Charge, Base Records, in the absence of such advice is <sup>if not believed within 7 Days please return to</sup> to hand. not discovered by the Graves Services.

Failing the recovery and identification of the actual remains, it is the intention of the authorities to perpetuate the memory of these fallen by means of collective memorials upon which the full regimental description and date of death will be inscribed.

Mrs M. Gage,  
Oxford Avenue,  
Bankstown, N.S.W.

Yours faithfully,

Major,

.....  
'S 'W 'H 'O

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Office No. B2455 of GRAVE C A

Q





Mrs M Gage  
Oxford Ave  
Bankstown

6/3/22

Officer I/C

War Graves Commission

Sir / I would like to know  
if you have the Photos of My Sons Grave who was  
killed in Action No 3558, 56<sup>th</sup> Bn AIF  
if so would you kindly send them to the Above  
Address

Yours Faithfully  
Mary Gage

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11 MAR 22 A.M.  
RECORDS

Base Records  
11/3/22

BASE RECORDS  
MAR 18 1922  
RECEIVED

b.6.  
Miss White  
14/3

O.S.

31st May, 1920.

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Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 12th May, and to state according to the records your son, the late No. 3558, Private C. A. Gage, 56th Battalion, was attested on 9.3.16 and reported for duty on 10.3.16. His regimental number whilst in Australia was "N.19515".

Any questions you are unable to answer may be left blank and the District Finance Officer, Victoria Barracks, Sydney, to whom the form should be forwarded, will adjust same.

Your change of address has been noted.

Yours faithfully,

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

*(Signature)*

Mrs M. Gage,  
Branden Avenue,  
BANKSTOWN. N.S.W.



Extract from Unit card:-

Buried half a mile N. of Les  
Boeuifs, 3 miles N. of Combles.

Dear

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the and to inform you no recent report has been received in connexion with

It is, therefore, to be assumed he is with his unit, the following being his postal



Isolde

Deceased

Branden. Av.  
Bankstown  
12: 5: 1920

Es. The Officer in Charge.  
Base, Records, Melbourne

DECEASED SECTION  
MAY 18 1920

Dear Sir.

RECEIVED

Just a line kindly asking you if you could oblige me by looking up the Date of enlistment of No 3558 Pte. C. A. Gage. Also Date when he first reported for Duty and also his enlistment in Australia. He enlisted in the latter <sup>Number</sup> end of February or the beginning of March I am not sure which 1916. I am filling in a war gratuity form and I would like the full Particulars will you kindly let me know as soon as possible

Yours Faithfully  
C. A. Gage

Q 27/5

MAY 15 1920

COFA noted 29/5/20

20th March, 1920.

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 11th March, addressed to the Secretary, Department of Defence, Melbourne, and in reply to state no personal effects of your son, the late No. 3558 Private C. A. Gage, 56th Battalion, have been received at this office.

The London Kit Store records also show that no effects in your son's name were received by that branch.

In view of the length of time that has elapsed since his demise, it is considered improbable that the late soldier's disc, or any other articles, were recovered at the time of the casualty.

However, identity discs of deceased members of the A.I.F. are often received at this office in quantities and should your son's come to hand later, it will be promptly despatched in accordance with his testamentary instructions.

Yours faithfully,

Major,

Officer i/c Base Records.

Mrs. M. Gage,  
Sir Joseph Banks Street,  
Bankstown, N.S.W.



57  
B Sir Joseph Banks St  
Bankstown  
11/3/20

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The Secretary  
Department of Defence Melbourne.

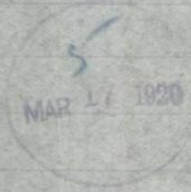
Dear Sir

I never Received  
any of my sons C.A. Gage's belongings  
correspondence or Identification Disc and  
I would like to know if you could find  
any trace of them I would be very  
Thankful

103558

I remain  
FORMAL ACK.  
SENT MAR 16 1920

Private C.A. Gage your's Faithfully  
56 Battalion  
(Late 30 Batt)  
Mary Gage



DECEASED  
SECTION  
MAR 16 1920  
RECEIVED

C. A. Records  
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G. Base Records MAR 17 1920

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file

EG/AN.

6th March 1920.

Dear Madam,

*GWZ*

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of 1st March, and to state your name and address have been added to the records of your son, the late, No 3558, Private C.A. Gage, 56th Battalion, and any information received will be transmitted to you,

Circulars in connection with memorial inscriptions etc, are being despatched to you under separate cover. These were previously forwarded to the registered next-of-kin (father) at Engoura, N.S.W., and returned unclaimed.

Yours faithfully,

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

*(h)*

Mrs. M. Gage,  
Sir Joseph Banks St.,  
BANKSTOWN, N.S.W.



Gage

Mr. Garrow  
4/3

Sir Joseph Banks St.  
Bankstown

1.3.20

Dear Sir

In reference to your letter dated  
13.2.20. Regarding No 3558 Pte C. A. Gage  
Late of 56<sup>th</sup> Battallion. Mr C. H. Gages present  
address is. (Mental Hospital, Parramatta)  
But unfortunately it would not be advisable  
to communicate to him as he is at present  
suffering from effects of the news of his  
two Lads being killed in action but if you  
<sup>no information in original - soldier married</sup>  
want any Particulars if you would  
would write to me, being his mother I  
can supply same and be responsible for  
anything regarding or belonging to him  
Trusting that everything will be in order  
and thanking you for writing me

I Remain

Yours Faithfully  
Mrs M. Gage.

Kindly note change of address to.

Sir Joseph Banks St.  
Bankstown

DECEASED  
SECTION  
MAR 4 1920  
RECEIVED

O.S.

13th February, 1920.

*HP*

Dear Madam,

Next-of-kin to your son, the late No. 3558, Private C. A. Gage, 56th Battalion, is recorded as father Mr. C. H. Gage, Engowra, N.S.W, but a communication so addressed has been returned unclaimed. If that gentleman is now resident at the undermentioned address kindly ask him to communicate with this office as soon as possible; if not I shall be obliged if you could inform me of his present address.

Yours faithfully,

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Mrs M. Gage,  
Ryan Street,  
Salt Pan,  
BANKSTOWN, N.S.W.



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

B.R. Form No. 6.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

D.T.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS,  
MELBOURNE.

6th November, 1919.

Dear

Madam,

As requested in your communication of

I beg to enclose herewith <sup>in return</sup> a certificate of, <sup>29th October received</sup> ~~receipt of~~ ~~deaths~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~late~~ ~~Private~~ ~~G. A. Gage,~~ ~~Sydney,~~

late

No. 3558, Private G. A. Gage, 56th Battalion.

Yours faithfully,

*J. McLean*

Major,

Mrs. M. Gage,  
Ryan Street,  
Salt Pan,  
BANKSTOWN. N.S.W.

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

Do not forget to advise any change of address to Officer i/c, Base Records, Melbourne.

D.1421/9.18.—0.14254.—5K.

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D.T.

ELKOW /

No. 3558,

-----Private Charles Alfred Gage,  
56th Battalion,

Australian Imperial Force.

mxmxxm was killed in action. -----

mm in France, 3rd December, 16.

Cable No. C.I.B.L.

875, from the Commandant, A.I.F. Headquarters, dated London,  
29th December, 1916, confirmed by Mail from the Commandant, A.I.F.  
Headquarters, dated London, 3rd January, 1917 and Army Form B.2090A.

6th November, 19.

Major,



19215 PARRY Fred 20722 STEER Audrey Brand vadeicity 17556

GORS Walter Vel 18238 WILSON Clarence Crawford vadequell

18180 FORSYTH John Purvis vadejist 18084 CRAIG Benjamin

Wilson 12996 DRAKE Aubrey William 18662 WALTERS Leslie Alfred

vudirevote 12321 HOPKINS Harry 16177 WALTERS Joseph Edward

12446 YOUNG Sydney Robert vudofarm 18227 NEIGHBOUR Lawrence

vudomst 15639 BAYLY William Richard 16408 HESSIAN Charles

William 17015 PETERSEN Alfred Stanley vudovem 16282 BORN

Henry Edwin vufaquelm 3120 CARTER Walter Thomas 17009 DODD

Alan Parkhurst 2704 MARTIN Frederick Harry vufantump 16949

WATSON Isaac vuceyawl 7216 COLE Charles Henry 17616 FOX

Arthur Davidson vulabeds 2938 DUNLEY Patrick Charles 2108

LEE Percy John 2939 MCGARRY Andrew Patrick 299 TUNNEY

Francis Patrick vudadose 15819 MCKAY George Robert 18231

REDFREY Cyril James vufaflet 18158 FUNDER Edward Charles

vufowl

FROM

ADMINAUST

# MILITARY FORCES OF THE COMMONWEALTH

TELEPHONE—

KB. AA

2ND MILITARY DISTRICT

Please quote this Number when replying

CY	4795
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(Address)

District Headquarters,  
Victoria Barracks, SYDNEY.  
29th October, 1919.

(Date)

DECEASED  
SECTION  
NOV 5 1919  
RECEIVED

The Officer in Charge  
BASE RECORDS.  
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On receipt of the necessary confirming documents of the late No. 3558, Private C.A. GAGE, 56th late 30th Battalion, will you please forward an official Death Certificate to Mrs. M. Gage, Ryan Street, Salt Pan, Bankstown, N.S.W.



*S. Blake*

Major.  
for A.A.G., 2nd Military District.



Statement 288 N.S.W.

1. Full name, number, rank, and unit of Member of Forces in respect of whose death or incapacity pension was claimed ...	Gage, Chas. Alfred. 3558, Pte. 30th Batt. transferred to 56th Batt.
2. Full name and address of person for whom pension was claimed ...	Gage, Mary, Eugowra.
3. Relationship of such person to Member ...	Mother
4. Result of Claim ...	22 p.f. granted from 4/3/17
5. Name and address of Trustee (if any) ...	

D. 064/E. 16.—C. 9655.—10m.

*M. A. Benson*  
Deputy Commissioner of Pensions at Sydney

*M. A. Benson*









**O.H.M.S.**

Mr. C.H. Gage,  
ELGOWRA. NSW.

*My own  
order*

*deepwater  
1/3/42*

If not Delivered within 7 Days please return to  
**Officer in Charge, Base Records,**  
Victoria Barracks, Melbourne



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**CASUALTY FORM—ACTIVE SERVICE.**

*56 bn*

*35558*

Regimental No. *35558*

Regiment or Corps *8<sup>th</sup> Rein. Bn.*

Rank *Plt*

Name *GAGE Charles Alfred*

Enlisted (a) *19.2.16*

Terms of Service (a)

Service reckons from (a)

Date of Promotion to present rank

Date of appointment to lance rank

Numerical position on roll of N.C.O.'s

Extended *18.1.69*

Re-engaged

Qualification (b)

*D.902/6.16—C.7516—50M.*

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.
Date.	From whom Received.				
<i>1</i>	<i>O.C. Troops "Ballarat"</i>	<i>Substantiated</i>	<i>SYDNEY</i>	<i>5.8.16</i>	
<i>2</i>	<i>8<sup>th</sup> Rein. Bn. Colford</i>	<i>Disembodied</i>	<i>Plymouth</i>	<i>30.9.16</i>	
<i>3</i>	<i>12/11/16</i>	<i>Proceeding to France for 8<sup>th</sup> Bn. "Barrard"</i>	<i>Colchester</i>	<i>12/11/16</i>	<i>ER. 6604.</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>18/11/16</i>	<i>T.O.S. EX ENGLAND</i>	<i>MTAPLES</i>	<i>13/11/16</i>	<i>B213 AQ10747</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>2/12/16</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>29/11/16</i>	<i>B213 AQ11701</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>8.12.16</i>	<i>CO. 56<sup>th</sup> Bn.</i>	<i>France</i>	<i>1.12.16</i>	<i>ER. 6604. 12303 7045/4379</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>8.12.16</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>3.12.16</i>	<i>ER. 6604. 12303 7045/4204.</i>
	<i>A.F.B. 2090A</i>	<i>Det. 8<sup>th</sup> Bn. A.I.F. Forwarded to Ad. Qn. A.I.F.</i>	<i>London</i>	<i>19.11.17</i>	<i>100</i>
				<i>23.11.17</i>	<i>100</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, Shoeing Smith, &c., &c., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.







56th INFANTRY BATTALION A.I.F.

Army Form B. 103.

**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

3558

Regiment or Corps (8th Reinfts-50th-Battalion)

Regimental No. 3558 Rank Private Name G A G E Charles Alfred

Enlisted (a) 19/2/16 Terms of Service (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Extended \_\_\_\_\_ Re-engaged \_\_\_\_\_ Qualification (i) \_\_\_\_\_

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
5/8/16	0/6 Troops H.T. Ballarat	Embarked	SYDNEY	5/8/16	
30/9/16	do	Disembarked	PLYMOUTH	30/9/16	
12/11/16	C.O, 8th Tng Bn.	Proceeding O/Seas, France per S.S. "Onward"	FOLKESTONE	12/11/16	E.R. 6604
18/11/16	C.O, 5th Div. Base	Taken on Strength ex England	ETAPLES	13/11/16	A.F. B213 A.Q. 10747
2/12/16	do	Proceeded to join 56th Battalion ex	do	29/11/16	do A.Q. 11701
8/12/16	n C.O, 56th Bn	Reinforcement taken on Strength	FRANCE	1/12/16	do A.Q. 12303 D.O. 45/7379
8/12/16	do	KILLED IN ACTION	FRANCE	3/12/16	do A.Q. 12303 D.O. 45/7207

*K. H. Smith*  
O. i/c Receiver Lieutenant,

ANZAC SECTION 3RD BUCHANAN S.H.Q.  
BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

(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, Shoemaker, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

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

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# APPLICATION TO ENLIST IN THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

To the Recruiting Officer

(OFFICIAL STAMP.)

at Victoria Barracks

I, Charles Alfred Gage

hereby offer myself for Enlistment in the Australian Imperial Force for Active Service Abroad, and undertake to enlist in the manner prescribed, if I am accepted by the Military Authorities, within one month from date hereof.

POSTAL ADDRESS

Engowra  
nsw.

Signature C. A. Gage

Occupation Labourer

Date 19 19/2/16.

(For Identification purposes the above space should be filled in personally by the Applicant.)

## CONSENT OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS. (For Persons under 21 years of age.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I approve of the above application, and consent to the enlistment of my <sup>son</sup> <sub>ward</sub> for Active Service Abroad.

Statement regarding Death or Absence of either or both Parents.

Father's Signature

Mother's Signature

or

Guardian's Signature

## PERSONAL PARTICULARS.

Age— 24 yrs. 6 mos. | Height— 5 ft. 9 ins.

Chest Measurement (fully expanded) —

Married.  Widower.  Single.

35 1/2 inches.

## PRELIMINARY MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Decision of Medical Authority ( FIT for Active Service. ~~UNFIT~~, for the following reasons:—

Eyesight normal in both eyes

Place Trundle

Date 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 1916

[Signature]  
Signature of Medical Authority.

I Concur

Place **FORBES.**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of M.O. at Central Recruiting Depot.

## CERTIFICATE OF RECRUITING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that I have this day provisionally ACCEPTED ~~REJECTED~~ this applicant for enlistment in the Australian Imperial Force.

Place **FORBES.**

Date **MAR 9 1916**

(Signature) [Signature]  
Recruiting Officer.



**INSTRUCTIONS.**

(1) Application forms received by Recruiting Officers will not be handed back again to applicants, but will be passed direct to the Medical Practitioner, who will similarly return them to the Recruiting Officer, who will then forward them by post to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot to which recruits are instructed by them to report.

(2) If an Applicant who has been rejected desires a copy of this certificate, it must be completed in duplicate at the time of Medical Examination, and the word "original" or "duplicate," as the case may be, will appear on top of the respective forms. Both copies will be forwarded to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot, where the duplicate will be impressed with the official stamp and then returned to the Applicant.

(3) Copies will NOT be made of any certificates of acceptance. The word "Duplicate" will be struck out of such certificates, and they will be sent to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot by post.

(4) Names of accepted applicants who do not report at Central Recruiting Depot within the prescribed time will be forwarded to the local Recruiting Officer for information.

(5) When alternatives are shown on the front of the form such as:—

Fit	Son	Married	Original
Unfit	Ward	Widower	Duplicate
		Single	

strike out the words which are not applicable.

(6) Only those persons who fulfil the requirements in all other respects will be examined regarding medical fitness. These requirements may be ascertained by reference to daily newspapers and official posters.

(7) The Central Recruiting Depot to which accepted applicants from various places will be sent for final medical examination will be determined by District Commandants. Recruiting Officers at outlying places will require to issue clear instructions to such applicants informing them where and when to report, and will forward the application forms in time to ensure that they will be in the hands of the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot when the recruit reports for enlistment.

FORBES

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FORBES  
MAY 1 1914

Spaces for identification by means of handwriting.



RM

No. 3558.

Private Charles Alfred Gage,  
56th Battalion,

Australian Imperial Force.

XXXXX was killed in action.

XX In France.

3rd December, 16.

Cable No. C.I.B.L.

875, from the Commandant, A.I.F. Headquarters, dated London,  
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2090A.

13th May, 17.

Major.

FM

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

B.R. Form No. 6.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS  
MELBOURNE. 13th May, 1917.

DEAR SIR,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of 9th inst. and enclose herewith, as requested, certificate of report of death of the late No. 3558, Private G.A. Gage, 56th Battalion.

DISPATCHED

E.W. Warren, Esq.,  
Solicitor, & Notary Public  
Aurum Chambers,  
19 Hunter Street,  
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN, Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

D.15573.17.—0.3413.

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E. W. WARREN  
SOLICITOR & NOTARY PUBLIC

AURUM CHAMBERS

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COMMISSIONER FOR AFFIDAVITS FOR  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA  
TASMANIA AND  
NEW ZEALAND  
TEL. 2988 CITY

SYDNEY 9th May, 1917.

The A. A. G.,  
Head Quarters,  
Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE, VIC.

Dear Sir,



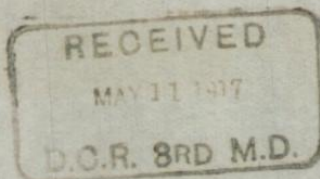
No. 3558 Private C.A. Gage, 56th late 30th  
Battalion, Killed in action 3rd Dec. 1916.

I have been instructed by the relatives of  
the abovenamed deceased to make application for Probate herein.  
Although an official telegram has been received, the Registrar  
of Probates requires an official notification of Death, and I  
should be glad if you would kindly forward me same at your  
earliest convenience.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours truly,

*E. W. Warren*



*adj - no records  
in 3rd M.D.  
Co Base Records  
11/5/17  
GMS Morgan  
12/5*



**FIELD SERVICE.**

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 } 56th INFANTRY BATTALION Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } - - -  
 or } A.I.F. }

Regtl. No. 3558 Rank Private

Name G A G E Charles Alfred

Died { Date December 3rd 1916  
 Place In the Field, FRANCE.  
 Cause of Death\* KILLED IN ACTION

Nature and Date of Report Army Form B.213 dated December 8th 1916

By whom made C.O., 56th Infantry Battalion, A.I.F.

\* 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 Particulars nor yet to Hand  
 Date - - -  
 By whom reported - - -

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Will not Received  
 (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 D.F.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.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } *1st Lt. [Signature]* Lieutenant, O. i/c Records

Station and Date ANZAC SECTION 3rd ECHELON G.H.Q. BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE. January 10th 1917

Wt. 12929/4141 400,000 12/15 JFW  
 Forms B 2090A



*R.m.a.*

*D18169*

Army Form B. 178.

To be used for recruits enlisting direct into the Regular Army only.  
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 *Gage* Christian Name *G. A.*

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.
<i>8/30th Ptn</i>	<i>3558</i>

Transferred to ... \_\_\_\_\_

Became non-effective by \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 191 .

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Rank) \_\_\_\_\_

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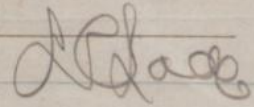


**List in the case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.**

Records 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

*deemed fit for Active Service*



**Part 2**





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Transferred to

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

20031

No. 5558

Rank Private Name GAGE C. A.

Unit 56th Bn

Casualty 31216 Killed in Action. Cite 875/7898a. D London 29/12/16. AH

"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."  
Pamphlet sent to Mrs Gage 27/5/22

DATE.	A. F. B. 103 Received	PURPORT.	A. F. B. 2090A Received,	REF. NO.
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2-1-17  
6-1-17

M.C. 2 ADVISED, KILLED IN ACTION. 3/12/16  
COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS

CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF  
Cable No. 40436895-1/2/2995 3-1-17

9-5-17

EW Warren asking for S/Cent  
Circular B.R.M. 46/1368 & Booklet re Graves despatched 12 "Received & acknowledged" by printed card. 1-9-20

WARREN INQUIRY

20 MAY 1922



BRITISH WAR MEDAL ~~to~~ direct.  
VICTORY MEDAL ~~to~~ direct.

MEMORIAL SCROLL

To  
Mother

Mrs M Gage

318153

29.5.22

MEMORIAL SCROLL

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MEMORIAL SCROLL

LIST.



MEMORIAL  
PLAQUE  
To  
Mother (Direct)  
Mrs M. Gage  
318153  
3/17/33

21 NOV 1933 REGISTER ORDER FORM despatched

FO 11 R26