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MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

Name: Robert Mathew Beatham V.C.
Unit: 5th. Reinforcements
5th. Battalion
Joined on: 8. 1. 15
Content

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

- 1. Name: R M Beatham
2. Parish/Town: Cumberland, Longland
3. Birth: British born
4. Age: 20 years last June
5. Trade: Labour
6. Apprentice: No
7. Married: No
8. Next of kin: Father M Beatham
9. Civil Power: No
10. Discharge: No
11. Previous service: No
12. Previous service: Yes
13. Previous service: No
14. Separation Allowance: No

I do solemnly declare that the above answers made 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.
I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service to my wife and children.

R. M. Beatham
Signature of person enlisted.

* 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 11/1/15

A. L. Walter Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

Robert Matthew Beatham swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from now 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.

Robert Matthew Beatham Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Geelong in the State of Victoria this 11 day July 1915 of 19, before me—

A. L. Walter Capt. U.L. 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.

Sworn before me Geelong

Description of R. W. Beatham on Enlistment.

Age <u>20</u> years <u>6</u> months	DISTINCTIVE MARKS. <i>Nil</i>
Height <u>5</u> feet <u>9</u> inches	
Weight <u>102</u> - <u>5</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement <u>37 1/2</u> inches	
Complexion <u>Sallow</u>	
Eyes <u>Blue</u>	
Hair <u>Dark</u>	
Religious Denomination <u>CofE.</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; 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 8 Jan 15

Place Victoria

Sheppard Brunsade
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 5th. Reinforcements 8th. Battalion

Date 16. 4. 15

Place Brookneadon

R. Dickson
Commanding 5th. Reinforcements 8th. Battalion

O/B. 103 4th

18/2/18

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Statement of Service of No. 2056

Name Robt Matthew Beatham

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
<p>6th. Battalion</p> <p>5th. Reinforcements</p> <p>8th. Battalion</p> <p>8/8th Battalion</p>	<p>Emb. from Aust. as 2056. 5/8 Bw. 17. 4. 15</p> <p>Disembarked at Suva 20. 5. 15</p> <p>Returned to Australia (V.D.) on Suva 6. 7. 15</p> <p>Disembarked in Australia 5. 8. 15</p> <p>Emb. from Aust. 10-9. 15. 2. 6. 16</p> <p>as No. 2472. 8/8 Bw</p> <p>TAKEN ON STRENGTH FROM</p> <p>Wounded in action France</p>	<p>17. 4. 15</p> <p>20. 5. 15</p> <p>6. 7. 15</p> <p>5. 8. 15</p> <p>10-9. 15. 2. 6. 16</p> <p>7/12/15</p> <p>18-8-16</p>	<p>par. "Barrat" (See Boat's Roll)</p> <p>par. "Ballarat" (See Boat's Roll)</p> <p>only (S.D. M. 8) 12. 8. 15. B.R. 1/13</p> <p>Pr 1/110. 4/1/16</p> <p>Do 53/208 1-9-16</p>	
	<p>(Plt) So. Hosp sick ex 1st A.P.B.D.</p>	<p>Staples</p>	<p>18/1/14</p>	<p>Pr 8/432 2/2/14</p>
	<p>Plt. Rejoined Bn from wounded in the Field</p>		<p>30-9-16</p>	<p>Pr 2 62/8029 15-10-16</p>
8/8th	<p>Plt Adm No 51 Gen Hosp (Venereal Disease)</p> <p>(b) Absc to duty from 51 Gen Hosp</p> <p>Total period 92 days</p>	<p>Staples</p>	<p>18. 1. 17.</p> <p>19. 4. 17</p>	<p>Dr 40/3219 9. 6. 17.</p>
8th	<p>Plt Rejoined Bn from Hosp</p>		<p>14-8-17</p>	<p>Do 55/4212 25-8-17</p>
	<p>Plt Adm. Bomb. Wind Pt. West Reading West.</p>	<p>Eng</p>	<p>16. 10. 17</p>	<p>Pr 83 WS 567</p> <p>Dr 085/6004E 27. 10. 17</p>
	<p>Plt. Wounded in action</p>	<p>Field</p>	<p>14. 10. 17</p>	<p>Do 71/5330 23/10/17</p>
	<p>Plt Comb. on "H.T.S. George" for Eng. (S.W. Forearm) to France</p>	<p>France</p>	<p>14-10-17</p>	<p>Do 73/5550-26-10-17</p>
	<p>Plt Offence Sutton very ill 5.30 pm. 5. 1. 18.</p> <p>Award 10 days Sp. Pro 2. by Lt Col. W.O. Mansbridge 9. 1. 18.</p> <p>In custody awaiting trial 3 days.</p> <p>Total for 23 days pay.</p>	<p>Eng</p>	<p>9. 1. 18.</p>	<p>Pr 11/582E</p> <p>7-2-18.</p>
	<p>Plt. Proceeded of seas France via Longbridge. Overell. Southampton.</p>		<p>14. 2. 18.</p>	<p>Do 1542.</p> <p>Pr 1014/740 12. 11/2/18.</p>
	<p>Plt to Hosp sick</p>	<p>France</p>	<p>14. 6. 18</p>	<p>Do 41/2277 20/6/18</p>
	<p>Plt Adm. to Lt of C. Hosp from 7th Unit. S.W.</p>		<p>20. 6. 18</p>	<p>Do 42/2446 20/6/18.</p>
	<p>Plt. Regnd. Bdr.</p>		<p>17. 7. 18</p>	<p>Do 52/4281 27. 7. 18</p>

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

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STATEMENT OF SERVICE OF No. NAME

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STATEMENT OF SERVICE OF No. 2412 NAME Beatham

Unit.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, etc.	Place.	Date.
	<p>Extract from the "London Gazette" Supplement No 21067 dated 14-12-18.</p> <p>Lt. M. The King has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the <u>VICTORIA CROSS</u> to the airm soldier, for most conspicuous & self sacrifice during the attack on the aerodrome of Rosieres E. of Amiens on 9th August 1918. When the advance was held up by heavy machine gun fire, Pte Beatham dashed forward & assisted by one man bombed & fought the crews of four enemy machine guns killing 10 of them & capturing 10 others, thus facilitating the advance & saving many casualties. When the final objective was reached, although previously wounded, he again dashed forward & bombed a machine gun, being riddled with bullets & killed in doing so. The valour displayed by this gallant soldier inspired all ranks in a wonderful manner.</p>		
	<p>KILLED IN ACTION France 11.8.18 620 <i>8th Bn</i> <i>17th</i> <i>VB 509 21/19</i></p>		
	<p>Buried 2000 Yards SW Charleroi E of road running N to Lehon. The 66d 178 Central</p>		
	<p>Copy sent to Pension 14/9/18. They are to be re: advised of all from that came through orders</p>		
	<p>SEE COPY A.F. B103 ENCLOSED</p>		

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 2742
 2086
 Name Beathan Rowland Matthew
 Unit 8/8 5th
 Joined on 9. 9. 15

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation

1. What is your Name? 1. Beathan Rowland Matthew
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? 2. In the Parish of Glassonby in or near the Town of Kirkoswald in the County of Carlisle
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) 3. Yes
4. What is your age? 4. 21
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. John Beathan as above
Glassonby
Kirkoswald
Cumberland
Eng.
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. 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, Robert Beathan 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 $\frac{2}{5}$ of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife.* †

Date 9-9-15 Signature of person enlisted. (Sgd) R Beathan

* 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

Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

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

So HELP ME, GOD.

Signature of Person Enlisted.

This subscribed at Melbong in the State of Victoria this 11th day January of 1915, 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 20 years 6 months.

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Height _____ feet _____ inches.

Weight _____ lbs.

Chest Measurement _____ inches.

Complexion _____

Eyes _____

Hair _____

Religious Denomination C.S.

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 _____

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 8th Regt 8th Batta

Date 10/2/15

Place Port Melbourne

Commanding [Signature]

D.377/4.15.—C.4697.

thou shalt be allotted.

Statement of Service of No. 2742 Name Robertson Beathan

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
<i>Papua Loch</i>	<i>This copy made up from other statements.</i>			
<i>Previous unit</i>	<i>No. 2056.</i>			
<i>8th Coy 8th Batta</i>	<i>Plc</i>	<i>5/8</i>	<i>22/9/16</i>	

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

This paper made out from particulars attached

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 2742.
Old No 2056
5 Rpts 8th Bn

Name BEATHAM, Robert
Unit 8th Rpts. 8th Battr.
Joined on

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your name? 1. Robert Beatham
2. In the Parish of Glassonby in or
near the Town of Kornoward
in the County of Carlisle
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized }
British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) } 3.
4. What is your age? 4. 21
5. What is your trade or calling? 5.
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, }
to whom, and for what period? } 6.
7. Are you married? 7.
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) . . . }
8. Father John Beatham
Glassonby
Kornoward
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? . . . 9. no Carlisle
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
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. yes
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 widowed mother)— }
Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be }
issued to you after embarkation during your term }
of service? } 14. yes

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 two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife. * †
wife and children.

Date _____

Robert. Beatham

Signature of person enlisted.

* 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.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
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 12th Dec 1914 Robert Beatham
Signature of Attesting Officer [Signature]

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, Robert Beatham swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 12th Dec 1914 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 Warrackbeee in South Australia the State of South Australia this 12th day of Dec 1914, 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, 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 _____

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 _____

Statement of Service of No. 2742 Name Beatham R M

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
8/8 th Battr	TAKEN ON STRENGTH FROM	7/12/15		Pr. 4/110. 4/1/16

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

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MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 2056
2442 Name Beatham Robert Matthews
Unit 5th 8th Battalion
8.1.15

Joined on
PAY BOOK NO.
3950 JW

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 British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... 3. _____
4. What is your age? ... 4. 20 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. _____
7. Are you married? ... 7. Single
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... 8. Father Mr Beatham
Blaxsony,
Kirkoswald, Cumberland
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... 9. _____
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. _____
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. _____
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... 12. _____
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... 13. _____
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. _____
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... 15. _____

I, 3, 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.* † wife and children.

Date _____ Signature of person enlisted.

U.377/1.15.—C.663. *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.

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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.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

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.
 Height.....feet.....inches.
 Weight.....lbs.
 Chest Measurement.....inches.
 Complexion.....
 Eyes.....
 Hair.....
 Religious Denomination..... *Cope*

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

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.....

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.....

D.577/4.15.—C.4897.

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Statement of Service of No. 2056 Name Beatham R M.

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
5 th R. 8 th Batta	Private	8.1.15.		
	Returned by 'Ballarat' 6.8.15 Discharged from Langwarrin + sent to Broadmeadows for allotment	12.8.15.		Venerical Disease
	Returned to duty. 3 rd A.M.I.	12.8.15		BR 21st 6/1/15 BA M 10/ 327. 1/1/16
	Awarded the Victoria Cross			CMG 6/19 mo 26/1915

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

<p>B E A T H A N Surname.</p>	<p>Robert Mathew Other Names.</p>	<p>2742 2056 Regimental No.</p>	<p>8/Btn. 5/R Unit.</p>
<p>PURPORT. 3rd M.D.</p>		<p>AUTHORITY.</p>	
<p>Embarked at Melbourne on H.M.A.T. A20 "Hororata" 17/4/15.</p>			
<p>Pte. 20.6.18 Adm L of C. Hosp sick.</p>			
<p>WOUNDED cable dtd. London 6/9/16</p>			
<p>18/8/16. Wounded in Action.</p>			
<p>30/9/16 Rejoined Btn. from Wounded in the Field.</p>			
<p>5.7.15 Emb. Suez per "Ballarat" Disemb. Melbourne 6.8.15 Venereal</p>			
<p>12/8/15 Discharged L'warren & sent to B'nd for allot M10/327</p>			
<p>18/1/17 To Hospital sick ex 1st Aus. Div. Base Depot Etaples</p>			
<p>18.1.17. Adm 51st G Hosp. Etaples V.D.</p>			
<p>19.4.17. Dis. to duty. Total period 92 days 11/8/18 Killed in action. (FR)</p>			
<p>14.6.18 To Hosp sick.</p>			
<p>AWARDED VICTORIA CROSS.</p>			
<p>National Archives of Australia, o.</p>		<p>BR 65 BEFO 8/1-17 BEFO 40/1-17 " " BEFO. 57/3-18 BEFO. 41/1-18 DO. 22/173-19</p>	
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PURPORT.	AUTHORITY.
2-16.11.17. Dis. from Reading W Hosp. Fur. Rep. Sutton Veny. B.W. R Wrist	IB 350/13-17
14/10/17 Embarked on H.T. Essequibo - St George for England S.W. Forearm.	BEFO 73/3-17
16.8.17 Rej Bn from Hosp.	BEFO 58.5-17
4x4 4/10/17 Wounded in Action	BEFO 71.6-17
14/2/18 Proc. O/seas to France via S'Ptn ex O/seas Thg/ Bde L.Bridge Deverill	LDN 14/2-18
16/10/17 Adm. Reading War. Hosp. Bomb. Wd. R. Wrist.	LDN 85/4-17
19.3.18 Rejd Btn from Wounded Eng.	BEFO 10/2-18
9.1.18 Awarded 19 days F.P. No 2 for AVL from 27.12.17-5.1.18 TOT. FORT 23 days pay MH	LON 11/2-18
7.7.18 Disc to Base Dtl's from L of C. Hosp. ER.	BEFO.48/4-18
19/4/17. Absent from duty 92 days (V.D)	ER.100/8.
11.8.18 KILLED IN ACTION (Sts 8th Btn.)	MH IB 549/14-18

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Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regimental No. *2745* Regiment or Corps *8th Div & Cavalry* Name *Beatham*
 Enlisted (a) Rank *Private*
 Date of promotion to present rank Terms of Service (a) Date of appointment to lance rank Service reckons from (a) *D 49758*
 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				
<i>1</i> 11/2/15	<i>6/10 8th Bn</i>	<i>joined from 8th. Spts.</i>	<i>Angae</i>	<i>7/12/15</i>	<i>2700</i> <i>Paris. 7064.</i> <i>a. 1. 10.</i> <i>a. 1. 16.</i>
<i>2</i> 7 11 10	<i>O.O. Trns</i>	<i>Disembarked ex</i>	<i>Alexandria</i>	<i>7. 1. 16</i>	<i>D 3460</i>
<i>3</i> 26/2/16	<i>O.O. Proceeded to</i>	<i>Empress of Britain</i>	<i>Alexandria</i>	<i>26/2/16</i>	<i>L.R. 6430</i>
<i>4</i> 31/3/16	<i>A.A.T. B. E. F.</i>	<i>Disembarked at</i>	<i>Harrivilles</i>	<i>31/3/16</i>	<i>L.R. 5100</i>
<i>5</i> 26 4/16	<i>Do</i>	<i>G.S. W. Genl. Adm.</i>	<i>Etaples</i>	<i>2/10/16</i>	<i>4459</i>
<i>6</i> 14/9/16	<i>2nd FA</i>	<i>G.S. W. Adm. Lt. C.C.S.</i>	<i>France</i>	<i>19/11/16</i>	<i>4459</i> <i>2013 20 27 2208 . 1. 9. 16.</i>
<i>7</i> 22/10/16	<i>C.O.</i>	<i>Wounded in action</i>	<i>France</i>	<i>19/11/16</i>	<i>4459</i> <i>2013 20 27 2208 . 1. 9. 16.</i>
<i>8</i> 14/10/16	<i>4th R.C.L.S.</i>	<i>3rd Bn</i>	<i>Etaples</i>	<i>15/9/16</i>	<i>4459</i> <i>2013 20 27 2208 . 1. 9. 16.</i>
<i>9</i> 26 9/16	<i>1st FA</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>15/9/16</i>	<i>4459</i> <i>2013 20 27 2208 . 1. 9. 16.</i>
<i>10</i> 11/20/14	<i>1st FA</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>15/9/16</i>	<i>4459</i> <i>2013 20 27 2208 . 1. 9. 16.</i>

to 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.
 (c) 6. Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

Report		Date	From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc. during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received						
12	28/9/16	1 st A.D.B.D.		Approved to <i>re-join</i> Struck off strength.	Staples	28/9/16	Ax 7976
10	9.10.16	6 Comdys		has to duty class a	"	18/9/16	AK 501/12
13	6/10/16	Go Rn		Re-joined Battalion.	In field	30/9/16	AA 7807
14	17/1/17	P.P.B.D.		Archived in X Eng Clear	Staples	17/1/17	AA 3828
15	20/1/17	"		to Hosp	"	18/1/17	AA 6810
16	19/1/17	51 G.H.		V.O.S. am	"	18/1/17	AA 6873
17	19/1/17	"		" to B.D. (Period 92 days)	"	19/1/17	AA 600/50
18	21/1/17	P.P.B.D.		from Hosp	"	19/1/17	AA 600/50
19	16/7/17	" do		Wyo to join Unit	"	2-16/17	53744/16
20	15/1/17	P.P.M		Archived in 1 st Aust Div	"	22/1/17	55/441/21
21	18/1/17	Sta Bar		Eng duty at 4th Camp 17/1/17	"	14/1/17	AA 16/33
22	6/10/17	Do		Repaired Am. Engine	"	4/10/17	Do 584212
23	4/10/17	5 th A.F.A.		Occur det in action Belgium	Belgium	4/10/17	AA 716/40
24	4/10/17	10 th C.C.S.		W.O.A. Farm admin of Hols	Fields	4/10/17	AA 718/45
25	6/10/17	5 th G.H.		Do admin of A.P.	"	5/10/17	AA 718/41
26	14/10/17	" 119083		Do admin of Garage for Eng	Kaenen	6/10/17	AA 718/48

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Regimental Number *2142*

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Rank *Reg* Surname *Beatham* Christian Name *Robert Matthew* months
 Religion Age on Enlistment years
 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		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
	From whom received	Embartered				
<i>27</i> 16-10-17	Reading	From Reading	Reg adm: Bomb: 10 th Dist Eng		16-10-17	<i>W. 507 A/R 883</i>
<i>28</i> 2-11-17	do	do	Reg Busch to table 9 regts dep Sutton Kemp		2-11-17	<i>R. 0855 E 2/10/17</i>
<i>29</i> 18-11-17	Sutton Kemp	From Sutton Kemp	Reg M in from busch & classified		18-11-17	<i>HR</i>
<i>transit</i> 30-12-17	Not Collected	do	Reg M in from busch & classified		16-11-17	<i>LR 10730.</i>
<i>Enlist</i> 31-1-18	Sutton Kemp	From Sutton Kemp	Reg M in from busch & classified		16-11-17	<i>LR 10730.</i>
<i>34</i> 24-1-18	do	do	Reg M in from busch & classified		16-11-17	<i>LR 10730.</i>
<i>33</i> 25-1-18	do	do	Reg M in from busch & classified		16-11-17	<i>LR 10730.</i>
<i>35</i> 14-2-18	NR Sutton Kemp	From Sutton Kemp	Reg M in from busch & classified		16-11-17	<i>LR 10730.</i>

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Report		Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received			
13.1.18.	132009, No. 1. 8.15.95	27.12.17, 2.1.18	6.30 pm	
32.	27.12.17, till 5.30 pm 5.1.18.			
	Quarrel 10 days off no 2 by Lt Col. W.O. Mansbridge			9.1.18. 190.11.582. E 7.2.18.
	In custody awaiting trial 5 days.			2.882 P.A. 8950/20.
	Total for 23 days pay			
15.2.18	M/I etc England	Barré		A.K. 2185/73
17.2.18	M/10 to join Unit	"		A.K. 2185/67
23/2/18	Required for	"		19-2-18 A.P. 6-0 R/10 19167
23/2/18	Placed in Hosp Lick	"		14/6/18 A/427
14/6/18	After arrival of DRS	France		14/6/18 A/2672/86
14/6/18	" arrival	"		14/6/18 A/262/100
20/6/18	" arrival	"		20/6/18 A/2672/23
5/7/18	" to 6 th Lon D	"		5/7/18 89042/3447
5/7/18	" arrival	"		5/7/18 A/2911/93
7/7/18	to 3 rd Empty Base.	"		"
8/7/18	from Corp	France		7/7/18 A/2791/85
14/7/18	to leave	"		8/7/18 87045/4018
20/7/18	At Revald Tom	France		14/7/18 A/2911/20
13.8.18	At Killis in Action	"		17/7/18 A/681 D/652/4281
				at 24579 VL 806 DO 57/4836
				Dr. Book. Cabl. Sta Office. Records.

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Casualty Form - Active Service

Rank *Pvt. D* Surname *Beatham* Christian Name *Robert Nathan*

Regiment or Corps *8th Battalion*

Religion

Enlisted (a) years months

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		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.	Embarked ... Disembarked ...	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
		From whom received					
		<i>2/6 1/10 - 1916 - 8 Bn.</i>			<i>2/6 7/13320 -</i>	<i>1917 -</i>	<i>8 Bn. ✓</i>
		<i>2/6 55/7208 -</i>	<i>1916 - do ✓</i>		<i>2/6 73/3330 -</i>	<i>1917 -</i>	<i>do ✓</i>
		<i>2/6 63/8029 -</i>	<i>1916 - do ✓</i>		<i>2/6 85/6004 E -</i>	<i>1917 -</i>	<i>Eng. ✓</i>
		<i>2/6 8/732 -</i>	<i>1917 - do ✓</i>		<i>2/6 14/E -</i>	<i>1918 -</i>	<i>do ✓</i>
		<i>2/6 40/3219 -</i>	<i>1917 - do ✓</i>		<i>2/6 11/E 282 -</i>	<i>1918 -</i>	<i>do ✓</i>
		<i>2/6 40/3219 -</i>	<i>1917 - do ✓</i>		<i>2/6 10/967 -</i>	<i>1918 -</i>	<i>8 Bn. ✓</i>
		<i>2/6 58/4212 -</i>	<i>1917 - do ✓</i>	✓	<i>2/6 41/3377 -</i>	<i>1918 -</i>	<i>do ✓</i>
		<i>2/6 42/3447 -</i>	<i>1918 - do ✓</i>		<i>2/6 48/4018 -</i>	<i>1918 -</i>	<i>do ✓</i>
		<i>2/6 52/4281 -</i>	<i>1918 - do ✓</i>		<i>2/6 57/4836 -</i>	<i>1918 -</i>	<i>do ✓</i>
					<i>(Sgd) D F CROOKS</i>		<i>Capt</i>
					<i>For Office Records</i>		

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted in Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered. (17591.) Wt. W 1887-P 124, 1,000,000. 6/18. D & S. Form B. 103. (E. 1254.)

(b) Signaller, Shoeing-Smith, &c.

P.T.O.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, & during service reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				

(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment or Corps 8th Battalion Regimental Number 2742
 *Substantive Rank Pte. Surname BEATHAM Christian Names Thos. M.

*Acting Rank _____
 (* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

(A) Report		(B) Authority of Orders Part II, of Orders	(C) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive promotions to be shown, for method of entry of which see A.C.I. 1816 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred, and posted to, be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, &c.	(F) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
Date.	From whom received.					
17-12-18	A.I.F. List N 423. AX. 19594.		<p>Extract from the 'London Gazette' - Supplement dated 14.12.18.</p> <p>Thos. M. Beatham has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the VICTORIA CROSS to the spm. Soldier for most conspicuous bravery & self sacrifice during the attack north of Pozières east of Amiens on 9th August 1918.</p> <p>When the advance was held up by heavy machine gun fire, the Beatham dashed forward assisted by one man loaded & fought the crews of four enemy machine guns, killing 10 of them & capturing 10 others, thus facilitating the advance & saving many casualties when the final objective was reached. He was previously wounded & again dashed forward & bombed a machine gun.</p>			<p>HOSE E 1184 1918.</p>

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 W1889-PP1150 500/000 5/18 G.W.P.Co (3490)

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(A) Report Date.	From whom received	(B) Authority of Part II, of Orders	(C) Record of promotions, casualties, transfers, postings as substantive promotions entry of which see A.C.I. 1316(d), 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, &c.	(F) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
			<p>with bullets & killed in doing so. The valour displayed by this gallant soldier inspired all ranks in a wonderful manner.</p>			
			<p>The Bourne Medal was 2000 yds N of Plot 7 Row N. Years 13.</p>			<p>Plot 118</p>

(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment or Corps 8th Battalion BEATHAM Christian Names Robert Mathey
 Regimental Number 2742

*Substantive Rank Pte. Surname BEATHAM

*Acting Rank _____
 (* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

(A) Report		(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)
Date.	From whom received	Authority of Part II, of Orders	Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as acting in promotion were for medals of war of which see C.I. 1810 of 1917, and to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	Place of casualty	Date of promotion, reduction, or casualty, &c.	Remarks, initials and of an office
15/12/15	OC 8th Btn		Joined from 8th Btn	Anzac	7/12/15	DOL/1
17/1/16	OC Trps.		Disembarked ex Empress	Alexandria	7/1/16	
25/3/16	OC HMT Megantic	(of Britain	Proc. to join BEF	Alexandria	26/3/16	
31/3/16	" "		Disembarked at	Marseilles	31/3/16	D055/72
22/8/16	CO		Wounded in Action	France	18/8/16	
14/9/16	2nd FA		GSW Adm & Trfd CCS	France	19/8/16	VL59
19/8/16	44th CCS		GSW Back Adm.	France	19/8/16	5 A.1.5
22/8/16	26th Gen H		GSW Back Adm.	Etaples	21/8/16	
16/9/16	26th Gen H		GSW Back Trfd. to GD	Etaples	15/9/16	
9/10/16	6th CD		Dischd. to Duty Class A	Etaples	18/9/16	
30/9/16	1st ADBD		Joined Base Depot	Etaples	18/9/16	
28/9/16	Proc. to join uUnit		Rejoined Battalion	Etaples	28/9/16	D063/8029
6/10/16	CO Btn		M/I ex England from leave	Field	30/9/16	
17/1/17	1st ADBD		To Hospital	Etaples	17/1/17	D08/732
20/1/17	1st ADBD		VDG Adm	Etaples	18/1/17	D040/3218
19/1/17	51st Gen H		VDG to BD Period 92 days	Etaples	19/4/17	D040/3218
19/4/17	" " "		From Hospital	Etaples	19/4/17	
21/4/17	1st ADBD		M/O to join Unit	Etaples	21/4/17	
16/7/17	1st ADBD		M/I 1st Aust. Div. Rft Camp	Etaples	22/4/17	
15/8/17	APMLst Aust Div		Doing duty at Rft. Camp 15/8/17	Etaples	14/8/17	D059/1
18/8/17	8th Btn		Rejoined Btn France	Belgium	4/10/17	D071/5
6/10/17	8th Btn		Wounded in Action	Belgium	4/10/17	VL12/
4/10/17	3rd AFA		SW R F'Arm Adm & Trfd CCS Field	Field	4/10/17	VL12/

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6/10/17 10th CCS BSW R F'Arm Adm & Trfd AT Field 5/10/17
 6/10/17 5th Gen H " " Adm Field 6/10/17
 14/10/17 " " Embkd. St George For England 14/10/17 P073/5550
 16/10/17 Readings W H Adm Bdb. Wnd. R Wrist England 16/10/17 17D085/6004E
 2/11/17 " " Dischd. to Furlo. & Rept. to Depot 2/11/17
 18/11/17 No1 CD M/I from Furlo & Classified S/Veny 16/11/18
 BIA4 England 16/11/17

(A) Report	(B) Authority of Part II. of Orders	(C) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, etc. All acting as well as substantive promotions to be shown, for method of entry of which see A.C.I. 1816 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	(D) Place of casualty	(E) Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, etc.	(F) Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
18 DS O'S T Bgde		M/I from No. 1 CDepot	England	24/1/18	
18 DS No.1 CD		M/O O'Seas Tng Bgde Longbridge Deverill Proc. O'Seas France ex Long.	England	24/1/18	
18 NR O'S T Bgde		OFFENCE Sutton Veny 27/12/17 till 5.30 pm 5/1/18 from 6.30pm 27/12/17 till 5.30 pm 5/1/18 AWARD 10 days FP No.2 by LtCol. W.O. <i>Deffe</i> Mansbridge 9/1/18 IN CUSTODY AWAITING 8 Days TRIAL FORFEITURE 23 days pay 9/1/18 D011/582E	S' Hampton 14/2/18 D014/E18/2/18		
18 AIBD		M/I ex England	Harve	15/2/18	
17/2/18 AIBD		M/O to join Unit	Harve	17/2/18	
23/2/18 COgth Btn		Rejoined Battalion	Harve	19/2/18	D010/967
22/6/18 "		To Hosp. Sick	Harve	14/6/18	D041/3377
14/6/18 3rd AFA		Influ. Adm & Trfd DRS	France	14/6/18	
14/6/18 15th CCS		Influenza Adm	France	14/6/18	
20/6/18 22nd Gen H		Adm.	"	20/6/18	D042/3447
5/7/18 "		To 6th C Depot	"	5/7/18	
5/7/18 6th G Dep.		Adm.	"	5/7/18	
7/7/18 "		To 3rd Employ. Base	"	7/7/18	D048/4018
8/7/18 AIBD-		From Hospital	Harve	8/7/18	
14/7/18 AIBD		To Unit	Harve	14/7/18	
17/7/18 8th Btn		Rejoined Battalion	France	17/7/18	D052/4281
17/7/18 CO 8th Btn		Killed in Action	France	17/7/18	VL806 D057/4835
15/11/18 3rd Echelon, GHQ		rejoined Section, 3rd Echelon, GHQ	(Sgd) D. R. Grooks Capt.		

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Regiment or Corps 8th Battalion BEATHAM V.C. Christian Names Robert Mathew Regimental Number 2742

*Substantive Rank Pto.

*Acting Rank _____

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(A) Report		(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)
Date.	From whom received.	Authority of Part II, of Orders	Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive promotions to be shown, for method of entry of which see A.C.I., 1816 of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be invariably named.	Place of casualty	Date of promotion, reduction, reversion, casualty, &c.	Remarks, and initials and rank of an officer
12/15	OC 8th Btn		Joined from 8th Btn	Anzac	7/12/15	DOI/110
1/16	OC Trps.		Disembarked ex Empress	Alexandria	7/1/16	
3/16	OC HMT Megantic	(of Britain		Alexandria	26/3/16	
1/3/16	" "		Proc. to join BEF	Marseilles	31/3/16	
2/8/16	CO		Disembarked at	France	18/8/16	D055/7208
4/9/16	2ndFA		Wounded in Action	France	19/8/16	VL59
9/8/16	44th CCS		GSW Adm & Trf'd CCS	France	19/8/16	DoAT. 15. 20/5/16
22/8/16	26th Gen H		GSW Back Adm.	Etaples	21/8/16	
16/9/16	26th Gen H		GSW Back Adm.	Etaples	15/9/16	
1/10/16	6th CD		GSW Back Trfd. to CD	Etaples	18/9/16	
10/9/16	1st ADBD		Dischd. to Duty Class A	Etaples	18/9/16	
9/9/16	Proc. to join Unit		Joined Base Depot	Etaples	28/9/16	
8/9/16	CO Btn		Rejoined Battalion	Field	30/9/16	D063/8089
17/1/17	1st ADBD		M/I ex England from leave	Etaples	17/1/17	
20/1/17	1st ADBD		To Hospital	Etaples	18/1/17	D02/732
19/1/17	51st Gen H		V D G Adm	Etaples	18/1/17	D049/3213
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16/7/17	1st ADBD		M/O to join Unit	Etaples	21/4/17	
15/8/17	APM 1st Aust Div		M/I 1st Aust. Div. Rft Camp	Etaples	22/4/17	
18/8/17	8th Btn		Doing duty at Rft. Camp 15/8/17	Etaples	14/8/17	Dobbs/4212
6/10/17	8th Btn		Rejoined Btn France	Belgium	4/10/17	D071/5320
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14/2/18 NR O'S T Bgde		Proc. O'Seas France ex Long.	S' Hampton	14/2/18	D014/E18/2/18
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15/2/18 AIBD		M/I ex England	Harve	15/2/18	
17/2/18 AIBD		M/O to join Unit	Harve	17/2/18	
23/2/18 Cogth Btn		Rejoined Battalion	Harve	19/2/18	D010/967
22/3/18		To Hosp. Sick	Harve	14/6/18	D041/3377
14/6/18 3rd AFA		Influ. Adm & Trfd DRS	France	14/6/18	
14/6/18 15th CGS		Influenza Adm	France	14/6/18	
20/6/18 22nd Gen H		Adm.	"	20/6/18	D042/3447
5/7/18		To 6th G Depot	"	5/7/18	
5/7/18 6th G Dep.		Adm.	"	5/7/18	
7/7/18		To 3rd Employ. Base	"	7/7/18	D048/4018
8/7/18 AIBD-		From Hospital	Harve	8/7/18	
14/7/18 AIBD		To Unit	Harve	14/7/18	
20/7/18 8th Btn		Rejoined Battalion	France	17/7/18	D052/4281
13/8/18 CO 8th Btn		Killed in Action	France	11/8/18	VL806 D057/486
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(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Duplicate

Regiment or Corps 8th Battalion BEATHAM Christian Names Robert Mathew
Regimental Number 2742

Substantive Rank Pte. Surname BEATHAM

*Acting Rank
(* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

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	From whom received.	Report					
1/12/15	008th Btn			Joined from 8th Btn	Anzac	7/12/15	D01/110
2/1/16	OC Trps.			Disembarked ex Empress of Britain	Alexandria 7/1/16		
28/3/16	OC HMT Megantic			Proc. to join BEF	Alexandria 28/3/16		
21/3/16	" "			Disembarked at	Marseilles 31/3/16		
22/8/16	CO			Wounded in Action	France 18/8/16	D055/7208	
14/9/16	2ndFA			GSW Adm & Trf 1 CCS	France 19/8/16	VL59	
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2/10/16	6th CD			Dischd. to Duty Class A	Etaples 18/9/16		
30/9/16	1st ADBD			Joined Base Depot	Etaples 18/9/16		
28/9/16	Proc. to join Unit			Rejoined Battalion	Etaples 28/9/16	D063/8029	
5/10/16	CO Btn			M/I ex England from leave	Field 30/9/16		
17/1/17	1st ADBD			To Hospital	Etaples 17/1/17		
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19/1/17	51st Gen H			V G to BD Period 92 days	Etaples 18/1/17	D040/3218	
19/4/17	1st AD D			From Hospital	Etaples 19/4/17	D040/3219	
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6/10/17	8th Btn			Wounded in Action	Belgium 4/10/17	D071/5320	
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CASUALTY FORM - ACTIVE SERVICE.

Regimental No. 2742 Regiment or Corps 1 Batt. Name Beatham R. M.
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 Date of Promotion to present rank Date of appointment to lance rank Numerical position on roll of N.C.O.'s
 Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b)
D. 1002/10.16 - C. 7510 - 10M.

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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(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., &c., also special qualifications in Technical Corps duties.



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ing and servicing training facilities, a technical support building, Q store and guard complex, new parade ground, roads, car parks and engineering services.

The Officers' Mess would be renovated, a new Sergeants' Mess built, and accommodation would be constructed for officers and SNCOs.

The project would begin in mid-1982 and finish in late 1984.

● Harry the Emu remembers Pucka the way it was, P4.

Woman in hierarchy

CANBERRA: In a major break with tradition, the Returned Services League has appointed a woman to its National Executive.

Mrs June Healy, a former officer of the Women's Royal Australian Army Corps, has been appointed Deputy National Secretary of the League.

Mrs Healy is the wife of Col J. B. Healy, of Army Office, Canberra.

Force.

The establishment of a Statutory Defence Force Ombudsman will meet the particular needs of Service members in the investigation of individual grievances and complaints from Servicemen

Defence.

The Defence Force Ombudsman Bill, 1975, was passed by the House of Representatives in 1975 but lapsed in the Senate on the dissolution of Parliament in November 1975.

Fastest Regiment

SYDNEY: Shellharbour beach inspector Geoff Butler is officially the fastest Army Reserve foot soldier in New South Wales.

For the second year "running", the 4th Battalion Royal New South Wales Regiment rifleman outpaced 49 rivals in a one-mile run during the Regiment's annual inter-Battalion assault-at-arms competition at Anzac Range, Malabar.

In blinding rain, carrying 15 kg of equipment, including rifle, Pte Butler covered the distance in a tarmac-sizzling five minutes and 48 seconds — eight seconds faster than his time last year.

Pte Butler's effort was one of the highlights of a powerhouse display turned in by 4RNSWR in its third straight win of the event.

It triumphed in shooting with the sub-machine gun and rifle, the one-mile endurance race, and in battle readiness with a hawk-eyed inspection of personal equipment.

4RNSWR team leader Lt Bernie Murphy offered a few words of advice to would-be challengers: "We've been training since last August to win this — so anyone wanting to topple us will have to get stuck into their preparations now."

★ **RIGHT:** Moment of triumph for the Army Reserve's fastest foot soldier, Pte Butler, as he crosses the finish line first in the traditional one-mile run.

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- (a) BRASH CEMETERY, 1½ miles N. of HARBONNIERES.
7½ miles E.S.E. of CORBIE.
(b) BIRTH CEMETERY, CHINA WALL, ZILLEBEKE,
1½ miles E.S.E. of YPRES.

GRAVES REGISTRATION UNITS. (EXHUMATION).

18/AIF.	(a)	5018	EDWARDS	Pte. J.	9/8/18
			(Report Harbonnieres 3.36E).		
7/AIF.	(a)	5676	EMERY	L/C. F.W.	9/8/18
			(Report Harbonnieres 3.35E).		
6/AIF.	(b)	876A	ERREY	Pte. G.B.	20/10/17
			(Report Zillebeke 50/60E).		
4/AIF.	(a)	3021	BOURKE	Cpl. J.P	24/8/18
			(Report Harbonnieres 3.95E).		
8/AIF.	(a)	2742	BEATHAM (V.C)	Pte. R.M.	11/8/18
			(Report Harbonnieres 3.90E).		
41/AIF.	(a)	2049	CHANDLER	Pte. R.J.	12/8/18
			(Report Harbonnieres 3.39E).		

Original in file of No. 5018 Pte. J. Edwards, 18/AIF.

D.B.

105456
BASE RECORDS OFFICE, A.I.F.,
2nd June, 1919.

Dear Sir,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Second Supplement, No. 31067 to the London Gazette, dated 14th December, 1918, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by your son, the late No. 2742 Private R.M. Beatham, 8th Battalion.

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AWARDED THE VICTORIA CROSS

"HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Victoria Cross to the under-mentioned soldier :-

No. 2742 Private ROBERT MATTHEW BEATHAM.

For most conspicuous bravery and self-sacrifice during the attack north of Rosieres, east of Amiens, on the 9th August, 1918. When the advance was held up by heavy machine-gun fire, Private Beatham dashed forward, and, assisted by one man, bombed and fought the crews of four enemy machine guns, killing ten of them and capturing ten others, thus facilitating the advance and saving many casualties. When the final objective was reached although previously wounded, he again dashed forward and bombed a machine gun, being riddled with bullets and killed in doing so. The valour displayed by this gallant soldier inspired all ranks in a wonderful manner."

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The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette, No. 61 dated 23rd May, 1919.

Yours faithfully,

Major.

Officer i/c Base Records.

Mr. Beatham,
Glaxsonby,
Kirkoswald,
Cumberland,
ENGLAND.

2nd AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE. 1st AUSTRALIAN DIVISION. AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

Rec

Action for which commended.

8th Bn. 2742. Pte.
A.I.F. Robert
Matthew.

BEATHAM.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack north of ROSIERES on 9.8.18. Pte. BEATHAM showed such heroism and courage that he inspired all officers and men in his vicinity in a wonderful manner. When the advance was held up by heavy machine gun fire, Pte. BEATHAM dashed forward and assisted by one man bombed and fought the crews of four enemy machine guns, killing ten of them and capturing ten others. The bravery of the action greatly facilitated the advance of the whole Battalion and prevented casualties. In fighting the crew of the first gun he was shot through the right leg but continued in the advance. When the final objective was reached and fierce fighting taking place, he again dashed forward and bombed the machine gun that was holding our men off, getting riddled with bullets and killed in doing so. His heroism and self-sacrifice were not in vain and as his bombs knocked out the enemy machine gun our men were enabled to advance.

C.O.
8th Bn.
A.I.F.
V.C.

(Sgd) J. MONASH. MAJOR GENERAL.
COMMANDING 1st AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

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26th November, 1918.

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 20th instant, and regret to inform you that No. 2742, Private R. M. Beatham, 8th Battalion, is reported as having been killed in action on 11.8.18. No further information is at present to hand, but it is anticipated that official confirmatory documents coming to hand later by mail will contain fuller particulars which, when received, will be transmitted to next-of-kin, shown as father, and will also be available to you should you again inquire at a later date.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. C. Symons,
135 Hope Street,
GEELONG WEST,
Victoria.

Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

Base records
RECORDS
22 NOV 18
DEFENCE
Beatham

135 Hope Street
Geelong West
Nov. 20. 18

Dear Sir

BASE RECORDS
25 NOV 18
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Could you supply me with any in-
formation concerning Private R. M. Beatham
No 2742
8th Battalion

A Company
2nd S. G. I. Brigade
1st Australian Division
Australian Imperial Forces
on Active Service
Abroad

By doing so you will greatly oblige

Mr C Symons
135 Hope Street
Geelong West

J. B. Smith
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W. H. G. G. G.
25/11/18

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CASUALTY LIST NO. 87.

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Military District.	Regt's No.	Rank	Name	Unit.	Relatives reside.	Nature of casualty.	Date.
3rd	1426 1399	Pte.	O'Donahoo, R.R.	14th Btn. (2nd Rfcts.)	Dendigo, Vic.	Ill, in hospital London. (Prev. reported wounded)	
3rd	2182	Pte.	McArthur, A.V.	14th Btn. (6th Rfcts.)	Korrington, Vic.	Ill in hospital London.	
3rd	1753	Pte.	Harvey, F.J.	14th Btn. (4th Rfcts.)	Geelong, Vic.	Ill in hospital London.	
3rd	193	Cpl.	Fry, S.J.	14th Btn.	Ballarat, Vic.	Ill in hospital London. (Prev. reported wounded)	
3rd	1218	Pte.	Fredman, H.S.	14th Btn.	Williamstown, Vic.	Ill in hospital London. (Prev. reported wounded)	
3rd	315	Pte.	English, J.	14th Btn.	Hawthorn, Vic.	Ill in hospital London.	
3rd	1583	Egt.	Maher, J.F.	14th Btn. (3rd Rfcts.)	E.Melbourne, Vic.	Ill in hospital London.	
3rd	873	Pte.	Hall, A.E.	14th Btn.	Rutherglen, Vic.	Ill, disembarked at Malta.	
3rd	1929	Pte.	Davis, L.	14th Btn. (5th Rfcts.)	M.Carlton, Vic.	Ill, disembarked at Malta.	
3rd	127	Pte.	Spark, R.	14th Btn.	Geelong, Vic.	Ill, disembarked at Malta.	
3rd	542	Cpl.	Clark, J.J.	14th Btn.	Stanley, Vic.	Ill, disembarked at Malta. (Prev. reported wounded)	
3rd	326	Pte.	Gill, T.J.	14th Btn.	Balmont, Vic.	Wounded.	
3rd	899	Pte.	Martin, H.	14th Btn.	Eaglehawk, Vic.	Wounded.	
3rd	1963	Pte.	Johnson, H.	14th Btn. (5th Rfcts.)	Svan Hill, Vic.	Wounded, not missing. (Prev. reported missing)	

8th Battalion.

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Serial	Name	Rank	Regiment	Service	Remarks
1203	Johnson, H.	Lieut.	(See Notes)	Over Hill, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1204	Martin, H.	Lieut.	Lieut. Gen.	Hackley, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1205	Gill, T.V.	Lieut.	Lieut. Gen.	Sydney, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1206	Clark, T.V.	Lieut.	Lieut. Gen.	Berkeley, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1207	Spencer, R.	Lieut.	(See Notes)	Geelong, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1208	Davis, L.	Lieut.	Lieut. Gen.	N. Geelong, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1209	Hall, A.D.	Lieut.	Lieut. Gen.	Murphree, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1210	Robert, T.V.	Lieut.	(See Notes)	Warrigalonga, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1211	English, T.	Lieut.	Lieut. Gen.	Imberton, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1212	Erasmus, H.R.	Lieut.	Lieut. Gen.	Warrigalonga, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1213	Evans, B.T.	Lieut.	(See Notes)	Berkeley, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1214	Hall, B.T.	Lieut.	(See Notes)	Geelong, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1215	Hogbin, A.V.	Lieut.	Lieut. Gen.	Warrigalonga, Vic.	(See Remarks)
1216	O'Donnoghue, H.H.	Lieut.	(See Notes)	Warrigalonga, Vic.	(See Remarks)

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VC MEDICAL HISTORY of *Robert*
 Surname *Beatham* Christian Name *Robert* *Mathew* D49758

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TABLE I.—General Table.

Birthplace { Parish *Cumberland*
 County *England*

Examined { on *8* day of *Jan* 191*5*,
 at *Geelong*

Declared Age *20* years .days.

Trade or Occupation *Labourer*

Height *5* feet *9* inches.

Weight *10st 5* lbs.

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully Expanded } *37 1/2* 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—

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection—

Approved by *Sheppard Grimwade*
 Rank *Capt.* 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.

Date	Brief details, and Signature
<i>4 5 17</i>	<i>acc</i>
<i>17 5 17</i>	<i>acc</i>
<i>24 5 17</i>	<i>acc</i>
<i>4 8 17</i>	<i>acc</i>

TABLE IV.—Service Table.

Enlisted { at *Geelong*
 on *11* day of *Jan* 191*5*

Corps	Regtl. No.
<i>8th Bn.</i>	<i>2442</i>

Transferred to _____

Became non-effective by *Deceased*
 on _____ day of _____ 191*5*
 (Signature) _____
 (Rank) _____

Station or Troopship	Date of arrival or embarkation	Date of departure or disembarkation
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	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year				
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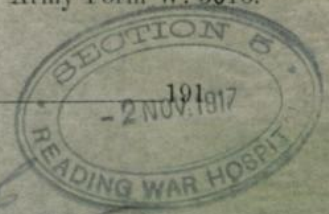
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No. 1474

Date _____



(1) To the Officer i/c Records,

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130 Horseferry Road
London (Station.)

(2) The Officer Commanding,

Depot
Weymouth (Station.)

(3) The Paymaster,

130 Horseferry Road
London (Station.)

Regimental No. 2742

Rank and Name

Beatham, R. R. R.
8th Batten.

Regiment or Corps

has been granted a furlough from _____ to _____

ordered to report at 130 Horseferry Road
on Friday Nov. 2nd.

His address while on leave will be:—

Biscan
Chap and Co. Foresters

I consider he is fit for*

Duty.
 Light duty.

ii Command Depot

C. Munnell

SAF. R. A. M. C.

W. O. No. 6 READING WAR HOSPITAL,

Officer in charge _____ Hospital,

(Station).

* Strike out that which is inapplicable.

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ISSUE.

Ordnance Office,
No.

Area Office No.

DISTRICT.

Requisition and Receipt for Clothing from the Ordnance Department for Use of Senior Cadets in No. Training Area. To be delivered at

Designation of Articles.	Required to Complete.	On Hand.	Establishment.	LEDGER FOLIOS.		Remarks.	Designation of Articles.	Required to Complete.	On Hand.	Establishment.	LEDGER FOLIOS.		Remarks.
				Store.	Area.						Store.	Area.	
Boots, cord, khaki ... pairs							Badges— Metal—Numeral, Fig.						
Boots, ankle, brown (Senior Cadets)							Worsted— Bugles, crossed ...						
Bands, with band and strap ...							Crowns ...						
Jackets, khaki cloth, officers', C.P. ...							Crossed rifles and crown						
Puttees, khaki, 2½ yards ... pairs							Crossed rifles and star						
Shirts, khaki, woolen ...							Crossed rifles						
Trousers, khaki cloth, officers', C.P. pairs							Stars ...						
							Chevrons, 1 bar						
							2 bar						
							3 bar						
							4 bar						
Badges—Gilding metal— Bugles ...													
Crowns ...													
Crossed rifles ...													
Stars, musketry ...													

NOTE.—Erasures and Interlineations strictly prohibited.

Received by 191
Signature of Area Officer }
requiring Supply

Senior Ordnance Officer. 191

NOTE.—Requisitions are to be made in Duplicate, and the first or original copy must, when duly signed by the Officer receiving the articles, be returned without delay to the Senior Ordnance Officer. Size Rolls, and special measurements where necessary, showing the sizes of the Clothing required, are to accompany the requisition when sent to the Ordnance Department.

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 { on..... day of 191...


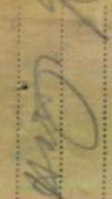
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	<i>8th</i>	<i>2742</i>
Transferred to		

Became non effective by.....
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Casualty Wounded to Dept 370/6997 Qd London 6.9.16 30.9.16: Rejoined Batt - from Wounded "In the Field" - Daily U. 63/1, D^o Reason 15/10/16. all G.I.W. right wrist Ham 16/10/17 to Reading War Hosp W.P.M. 507.1.20.0. dated London 22.10.17 429 Killed in Action 11/5/15 MBL 2777 1299 dated London 2/1/15 Received B.R. 27/5/15

"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST." Pamphlet sent to M.P. Beatham on 12/5/15

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LIST.

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PLAQUE
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Mr. J. Beatham
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349805
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