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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 63.Name Littler Ernest Richard JosephUnit Infantry 31<sup>st</sup> Bn.Joined on 19. 8. 14

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

1. What is your Name?

Littler Ernest Richard Joseph

2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born?

 2. In the Parish of BUNDABERG. in or  
 near the Town of BUNDABERG.  
 in the County of COOK O'land

3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.)

3. natural born

4. What is your age?

4. 25 years 6 months

5. What is your trade or calling?

5. Civil Servant (State)

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, W. W. Little,  
Invercargill N.Z. Queensland  
(Wife) M<sup>rs</sup> Jane Little,  
NO 2, Frances St. Longholm,  
Scotland.

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

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. Yes Machine Gun Section  
Ad H. Hon. 12 months

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 and widowers with children)—

Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you either before or after embarkation during your term of service?

14. —

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

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

Date 19. 8. 14Signature of person enlisted, E. Little

D.377/8.14.—C.10229.

\* This clause 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 19.5.14

JH Triche Capt  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

3. Ernest Richard Joseph Little swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from August 28th 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.

ERJ Little  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Bundaberg in  
the State of Queensland  
this 19th day \_\_\_\_\_ of  
August 19 14, before me—

JH Triche Capt  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

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

Description of Ernest Richard Joseph Little on Enlistment.

|                                        |                                                    |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Age <u>25</u> years <u>6</u> months    | DISTINCTIVE MARKS.<br><br><u>Scar on left jaw.</u> |
| Height <u>5</u> feet <u>9</u> inches   |                                                    |
| Weight <u>135</u> lbs.                 |                                                    |
| Chest Measurement <u>35 1/2</u> inches |                                                    |
| Complexion <u>Dark</u>                 |                                                    |
| Eyes <u>Gray</u>                       |                                                    |
| Hair <u>Dark brown</u>                 |                                                    |
| Religious Denomination <u>Presby.</u>  |                                                    |

#### CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

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

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hemorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date August 19<sup>th</sup> 1914

Place Bundaberg

Samuel L. R. Cape  
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 Machine Gun Section

Date 29<sup>th</sup> August 1914

Place Enoggera

Commanding

Amthor  
Lieut.-Colonel.  
Commanding 2nd. Light Horse Regiment,  
Australian Imperial Force.

Statement of Service of No. 63.

Name

Littler C.R.J.

| Unit in which served.                    | Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.                                                                       | Period of service in each rank. |           | Remarks.                                                           |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                          |                                                                                                               | From—                           | To—       |                                                                    |
| Mgt. 1st Home.                           | Private.                                                                                                      | 1 year.                         |           |                                                                    |
| 2nd Regt. V.S.F.                         | Hosp. V.D. Valentin 2/1/15<br>To England 12/9/15<br>Capt. Ryle. 1st. Capt. (Sitting)                          | 19-8-14.                        |           | Ad 36/182 29/9/15<br>" 34/1489 7/10/15<br>Rank 3/6 4/9/15/16       |
| L.H. Details 204<br>Parkhouse A+B<br>213 | Proceeding 7 years<br>to reinforce 25th Batta 6-9-15                                                          | 24 9 15                         |           | 8R 37 00 25, 29/9/16                                               |
| 31st Batta                               | TAKEN ON STRENGTH and<br>remustered as Private<br>ex Rpts 25 Bn. Conty. and<br>2nd Lt. H. J. from 1st<br>B.D. | 15/11/16.                       |           | Rt 5580 2/11/16.                                                   |
|                                          | Proceeding overseas to<br>France (E.R. 2700)                                                                  | 29/9/16.                        |           | By 53/1182 6 7/12/16                                               |
|                                          | Trans. to 25th Batta from<br>L.H. Details A.B.B 213<br>L.H. Details C.H.                                      | 6/9/16.                         | Parkhouse | D.O. 22<br>20YE 21/9/16<br>Ex. 2nd Lt. H. J. D.C.                  |
|                                          | 1st Lt. 1st Lt.                                                                                               | 27/3/17                         |           | St 21/1 3162 24/1/17.                                              |
|                                          | 2nd Lt. on 2nd to No 2 Com D. Weymouth<br>ex Juro. ex France                                                  | 6/3/18                          |           | LD 2105<br>St 25 25/3/18                                           |
|                                          | 2nd Lt. Proceeded to U.K. for<br>Transport duty to Australia                                                  | 1/3/18.                         |           | St 12/10/18<br>20/3/18.<br>(auth. D.A. & 19/11/18.<br>of 27.2.18.) |
|                                          | RETURN TO AUSTRALIA<br>Per Penitworth Smith<br>Staff approved. (G.O.B. 254)                                   | 12/3/18.                        |           | 2245/ 25/3/18                                                      |
|                                          | Disch. Nov. 28 <sup>th</sup> 1918.<br>Extract from Cable from D.P.H.                                          |                                 |           |                                                                    |

31st Bn 2nd Lt. DISCHARGED 1 MD 28-11-18 BRO 3/3/19

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

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A.I.F. Form 527.

Reference Number

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Administrative Headquarters,  
LONDON, S.W. 1.

A.C.R. / /  
F.C.R. / /

CERTIFIED EXTRACT OF A MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE RELATING TO:-

|            |     |                                   |        |
|------------|-----|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 63A.       | Pte | LITTLER<br>Ernest, Richard Joseph | 1st Bn |
| BRIDEGROOM |     | BRIDE                             |        |

Surname LITTLER Maiden Surname LIGHTBODY  
Christian Names Ernest Richard Joseph Christian Names Jane

Address (at time of Marriage) Address (at time of Marriage)  
1, Harris Terrace, George Street, 2, Francis Street,  
Brisbane, Queensland, Langholm.  
Presently at 2 Francis St, Langholm.  
Occupation Private. 1st Bn. A.I.F. Occupation Spinster.  
Age 27 Condition Bachelor Age 27 Condition  
Name, Address and Occupation of Father Name, Address and Occupation of Father  
Wilson Weaver Littler, Thomas Lightbody  
Civil & Mechanical Engineer. Tailor & Clothier.

Registration District Dumfries  
Marriage solemnized at The Manse, Langholm. according to the rites and  
the Established Church of Scotland. // after Publication  
Ceremonies of James Buchanan, Minister. by 2nd Dec. 1916.  
Married by James Buchanan, Minister. Date of Marriage  
Registrar's Reference (i.e., Entry No., etc.)

Verified by General Registry Office

Extracted from Marriage Certificate by R SIMONS. Date 27.11.18

Certified correct and checked by LHL

Checked with Records

Defence advised by List No. Dated Ref

EW W. 20063

W. W. LITTLER  
INDEMAN  
NORTH QUEENSLAND

REGRET REPORTED SON PRIVATE E. R. J. LITTLER SICK SLIGHT  
DISEMBARKED MALTA HOSPITAL SHIP GEORGIAN 27th AUGUST WILL ADVISE UPON  
RECEIPT FURTHER PARTICULARS.

SECRETARY DEFENCE.

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G.M.Q.

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16th July 1915.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of 7th instant concerning No. 63 Private Ernest Richard Joseph Littler, I beg to inform you that no official report has been received in this office, and it may, therefore, be assumed that he is with his regiment. His next-of-kin who is shown on his records as residing in Queensland will be immediately notified upon receipt of any report.

The following is his postal address:-

No. 63 Private E. R. J. Littler,  
2nd Light Horse Regiment,  
1st Light Horse Brigade,  
1st Australian Division,  
Alexandria,  
Egypt.

Yours faithfully,

MADE AT CROWLEY  
Capt.  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Mr. M. Cuddy,  
Clermont, Qld.

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E.T. No. 1.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, VICTORIA.

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Sending Station and time relayed at this Office respectively.

STATION FROM, NO. OF WORDS, AND CHECK.

REMARKS

Rockhampton Ad 24 48 11 53  
Captain Lean  
Base Records Melbourne  
Casualty list eightfive returns  
P. R. J. Litterer all latter not  
received. Particulars please reply  
Rockhampton Higgs  
Member Capricornia

CJF/EZ



LETTERGRAM

HIGGS M P

ROCKHAMPTON (Q'LAND)

20631

TELEGRAM WORDED AS FOLLOWS DESPATCHED FATHER NEXT KIN PRIVATE  
LITTLER SEVENTEENTH ULTIMO REGRET REPORTED SON PRIVATE E R J LITTLER  
SICK SLIGHT DISEMBARKED MALTA HOSPITAL SHIP GEORGIAN TWENTYSEVENTH  
AUGUST WILL ADVISE UPON RECEIPT FURTHER PARTICULARS

BASE RECORDS

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25, Ridgway Avenue,

Kew, Victoria,

5th. October, 1915.

Senator the Hon. G. F. Pearce,  
Minister for Defence,  
Melbourne.

Dear Mr. Pearce,-

(C. W. S. Higgs, Esq.)

I beg to enclose a telegram sent to Father by  
Mr. W. S. Buzacott, Editor, Daily Record, Rockhampton, re  
a reported casualty not officially advised.

Father is on his way to Rockhampton.

I would be greatly obliged if you would have this  
matter attended to.

Thanking you in anticipation, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Guy C. Higgs.



BR  
FORWARDED ACKD.  
SENT 7.10.15



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13th October 5

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 5th inst., concerning No. 63 Private E. R. J. Littler, 2nd Light Horse Regiment, I have to state that a telegram notifying this soldier as slightly sick, disembarked at Malta, was sent to -

W. W. Littler,  
Inkerman,  
W. Q'land,

on the 17/9/1915, the only address recorded in this office and your father was advised accordingly by lettergram on 8/10/1915.

A further lettergram has been despatched to your father, this day, intimating that Private Littler is now in Hospital, Netley, England. Next-of-kin also advised.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. G. C. Higgs,  
25 Ridgway Avenue,  
Kew, VIC.

Capt.  
Officer i/c Base Records.



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TELEGRAM.

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E.T. No. 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, VICTORIA.

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Rockhampton Qld 29 2/1  
Officer Charge Base Records  
Defence Melbourne

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Sending Station and time received at this Office respectively.

Kindly send any particulars Ernest Richard Joseph Littler  
machine gun section third light horse joined Brisbane to  
father at Rockhampton

Higgs ~~XXXX~~ Member Capricornia

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THE PALM LINE  
SUPER STRONG

13/10/1915.

BASE RECORDS

NOW REPORTED PRIVATE H.R.J. LITTLE SECOND LIGHT HORSE  
REGIMENT SICK ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL HERTY ENGLAND NEXT OF KIN ADVISED  
AND WILL BE IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED UPON RECEIPT OF ANY LATER INFORMATION.

21615

ROCKHAMPTON (GLD.)

HIGGS H.P.

LETTERGRAM

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1/12/15  
1/12/15

W.B.



LETTERGRAM

W. W. LITTLER

ROCKHAMPTON. (Q.)

NOW REPORTED SON PRIVATE E.R.J.LITTLER ADMITTED HOSPITAL  
NETLEY ENGLAND SICK NOTIFICATION THAT SON DISEMBARKED MALTA SICK SLIGHT  
AUGUST TWENTYSEVENTH WAS SENT OLD ADDRESS AT INKERMEN SEPTEMBER SEVENTEENTH  
PLEASE FORWARD FULL ADDRESS.

BASE RECORDS.

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Hon. G. F. Pearce.  
Minister for Defence  
Melbourne.

Sir,

I have the honour to apply to you  
for the following information. —  
Would you be good enough to obtain  
for me the name of the hospital in  
which Private E. R. J. Little (912<sup>th</sup> Light  
Horse Brigade) is at present an inmate  
His name appeared in the 85<sup>th</sup>  
Casualty List under those Ill.

This was my first intimation

Thanking you in anticipation

I am,

Sir,

Yours respectfully  
H. Rosalie Perroux.

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The Commander Base, record  
Melbourne  
Dear Sir

Your telegram of  
the 14<sup>th</sup> inst - re location of 3 TR I lister  
came duly to hand for which I thank  
you and now beg to give you my  
address until further advised as follows  
also names & position of all my sons at  
the front

W W Lister  
C/o Trow & Co  
Rockhampton

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Aus Empire Force  
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from Brisbane

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No 36 Sergt A B Lister  
1st Field Co Engineers  
Aus Imperial Force  
from Sydney

No 7444 Trooper W Lister  
2nd Regiment - ALH  
from Brisbane



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30th October

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Dear Sir, 24961

In reply to your letter of the 22nd instant, I have to inform you that your change of address has been noted on the records of your sons, No. 63 Private E. R. J. Littler, 2nd Light Horse Regiment, and No. 36 Orderly Room Sergeant A. B. Littler, who has been transferred from the 1st Field Company Engineers to 2nd Divisional Engineers.

As regards your other son, W. Littler, I have to state that his name does not appear amongst the units indexed to date, so a search is being made of the remainder of the files, the result of which will be communicated to you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

Capt.  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Mr. W. W. Littler,  
C/o Messrs Row & Co.,  
ROCKHAMPTON, QLD.

7th March,

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Dear Madam,

In reply to your letter (undated), I have to inform you that the following are the present postal addresses of the members of the Australian Imperial Force referred to:-

SICK, No. 36 Sergeant-Major A. B. Littler,  
2nd Divisional Engineers,  
1st Australian Division,  
In 17th General Hospital,  
Alexandria, Egypt.

This soldier is reported as having been admitted on 12th January last, with Jaundice, mild, to 17th General Hospital, Alexandria.

SICK, No. 63 Private E. R. J. Littler,  
2nd Australian Light Horse Regiment,  
In Hospital, Netley,  
C/o Australian High Commissioner,  
London, S.W.

Private Littler is last reported as having been admitted sick, to Hospital, Netley, cable message dated 6/10/15.

As no further news has come to hand concerning either of your brothers since the receipt of the above reports, it is to be assumed they are progressing favourably, the usual practice of the overseas authorities being to notify this Department of any serious change in condition.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. C. L. Spotswood,  
Box 156, Post Office,  
Ayr, North Queensland.

Capt.  
Officer i/c Base Records.



Queensland Government  
Intelligence and Tourist Bureau,  
279 George Street,

Sydney, 20th June, 1918.

18/902.

The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records Office,  
Victoria Barracks,  
DALE HURNE.

Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your communication  
of the 10th instant, No. 6457, having reference to  
the return of No. 63A Lance-Corp. E. R. J. Littler,  
31st Battalion.

I regret that I confused his rank in my  
letter to you dated 5th instant.

Yours faithfully,

*E. R. J. Littler*

Director.

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J. F. FITZGERALD & WALSH,  
SOLICITORS.

JOHN AMBROSE WALSH  
JAMES FRANCIS FITZGERALD

TELEPHONE 655

CABLE ADDRESS:  
"LAW,"  
BRISBANE.

THE COLONIAL MUTUAL LIFE OFFICES,

NEXT GENERAL POST OFFICE,  
QUEEN STREET, BRISBANE,  
QUEENSLAND.

H./W.

6th July 1918.

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Sir,

re No. 63A, Lance Corporal Littler.  
31st Battalion.

We have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 20th ultimo and note that you cannot furnish us on behalf of Lance Corporal Littler with a copy of his attestation sheet. The particular item that our client requires to obtain is a copy of the period for which he signed on.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servants,

*J. F. Fitzgerald & Walsh*

The Officer in Charge,

Base Records,

Australian Imperial Forces,

Victoria Barracks,

MELBOURNE.

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J. F. FITZGERALD & WALSH,  
SOLICITORS.

JOHN ABBROSE WALSH  
JAMES FRANCIS FITZGERALD

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"LAW," G/N  
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THE COLONIAL MUTUAL LIFE OFFICES,

NEXT GENERAL POST OFFICE,  
QUEEN STREET, BRISBANE,  
QUEENSLAND.

16th July 1918

Sir,

re No. 63A Corporal Littler 31st Battalion

Adverting to our letter to you of the 6th inst.  
we should be pleased if you would favour us with a  
reply thereto, as our client is pressing us for the  
information asked for therein.

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,

*J. F. Fitzgerald & Walsh*

*W. Edwards*  
19/7/18



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The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records,  
Australian Imperial Forces,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne.

CONFIDENTIAL

Particulars of Service in the A.I.F.

o f

Ex-No. 63A L/Corporal Ernest Richard Joseph LITTLER - 31st Bn.

Supplied to Department of Repatriation, Brisbane

Reference G22/R16525/8728-13074

|          |                                                                                   |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 25. 8.14 | Enlisted in the A.I.F.                                                            |
| 21. 9.14 | Embarked for Overseas.                                                            |
| 9. 5.15  | Proceeded to join M.E.F. Gallipoli                                                |
| 27. 8.15 | Admitted to Valetta Hospital, Malta. Not yet diagnosed.                           |
| 18. 9.15 | Embarked for England from Malta per "Oxfordshire" - Enteritis.                    |
| 24. 9.15 | Admitted Royal Victoria Hosp. Netley. Date of discharge not available.            |
| 6. 9.15  | Transferred to 26th Battn.                                                        |
| 29. 9.16 | Proceeded Overseas to reinforce 25th Battn.                                       |
| 2.10.16  | Admitted to 2nd Div.Base, Etaples, from England.                                  |
| 15.10.16 | Taken on Strength of 31st Battn. in the Field.                                    |
| 27.11.16 | Proceeded on leave to England.                                                    |
| 13.12.16 | Returned from Leave.                                                              |
| 17. 6.17 | To 1st Anzac Corps School                                                         |
| 1. 7.17  | Rejoined Unit ex Anzac Corps School.                                              |
| 10. 1.18 | To U.K. on leave.                                                                 |
| 25. 1.18 | Rejoined from U.K. leave.                                                         |
| 1. 3.18  | Proceeded to U.K. for transport duty to Australia.                                |
| 6. 3.18  | Marched in to No.2 Com.D Depot Weymouth from A.H.Q. London ex furlough ex France. |
| 12. 3.18 | Embarked for Australia per "Kenilworth Castle" - Staff Duty.                      |
| 28. 4.18 | Transhipped at Durban to "Field Marshall".                                        |
| 22. 5.18 | Disembarked at Melbourne ex "Field Marshall" thence proceeded to Brisbane.        |
| 28.11.18 | Discharged from the A.I.F. at Brisbane. (Duty)                                    |

*Copy of A.I.F. Form D 2 attached - no  
----- open m. Available*

Capt.  
for Officer i/c Base Records.  
17.3.22.

To  
THE CHIEF PAYMASTER.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS,  
A. I. F.

J.D.

## Non - Effective Statement.

Reg. No. 63 Rank L/Cpl. Name LITTLER E.R.J. Unit 31st Bn.

Military District 1st. Unit at 2nd L.H Rgt. Date of  
On Enlistment Embarkation Embarkation 21.9.14

## TRANSFERS.

T.O.S. of 31st Bn.

Date

Reference

15.10.16

D.O 65/5580  
2.11.16

## PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, and REVERSIONS.

Appointed Lance Cpl.

27.3.17

D.O 17/3162  
26.4.17

## FORFEITURES, CRIMES, V.D., Etc.

NIL

## CAUSE OF BECOMING NON EFFECTIVE, WITH DATE OF CASUALTY.

Returned to Australia per " Kenilworth Castle"  
STAFF APPROVED G.O.C. A.I.F

12.3.18

D.O 25/E.  
28.3.18

COMPILED FROM INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THIS OFFICE

ON THE 4.4.18



Officer i/c Non Effective Records.

To  
THE CHIEF PAYMASTER.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS,  
A. I. F.

J.D.

## Non - Effective Statement.

Reg. No. 63 Rank 2/Cpl. Name DISTON J. Unit 31st Bn.

Military District On Enlistment 1st. Unit at Embarkation 2nd L.M. Bgt. Date of Embarkation 21.2.14

## TRANSFERS.

T.O.S. of 31st Bn.

Date

Reference

15.10.15 D.O. 65/5580  
1.11.16

## PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, and REVERSIONS.

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## FORFEITURES, CRIMES, V.D., Etc.

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## CAUSE OF BECOMING NON EFFECTIVE, WITH DATE OF CASUALTY.

Returned to Australia per "Kenilworth Castle"  
STAFF ADVISORY 3.3.18 A.I.F.

15.3.18

D.O. 85/8.  
18.3.18

COMPILED FROM INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THIS OFFICE

ON THE 4.4.18

*W. Holloway Ltd*

Officer i/c Non Effective Records.

no card  
15/7/15 M. G. L.

Clermont.  
July 7<sup>th</sup> 1915

To

The Minister of Defence  
Melbourne.

Dear Sir

I am writing to you to see if you could give me any particulars regarding the whereabouts of a friend of mine who left for the War with the (First Australian Exp. Force) and we last heard of him from (Elipolis, Egypt) the letter being written on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March. His full name ~~was~~ & address ~~was~~ as follows: Ernest Richard Joseph Little.

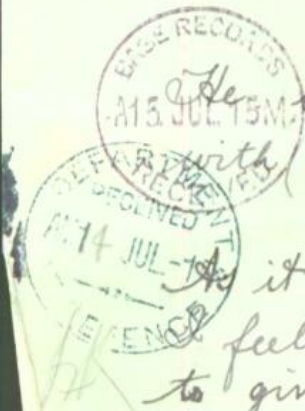
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Lsd.

He enlisted in August last & left with 1<sup>st</sup> Aust Exp. Force.

(2. A.L.H. M. G. Liction)

As it is a long time since I heard of him I feel very anxious & would like you to give me any particulars as soon as you can. His name has not.



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appeared in any Casualty Lists  
which I have seen, or amongst  
the wounded. I hope he is still  
alright and hope you will let  
me know how I could find  
out, if you could not do any  
thing in the matter.

Hoping you will oblige.  
I am

Yours respectfully.  
M. Cuddy.

J. F. FITZGERALD & WALSH,

SOLICITORS,

JOHN AMBROSE WALSH  
JAMES FRANCIS FITZGERALD

TELEPHONE 655.

CABLE ADDRESS:  
"LAW,"

BRISBANE

H./W.

THE COLONIAL MUTUAL LIFE OFFICES.

NEXT GENERAL POST OFFICE,

QUEEN STREET, BRISBANE.

QUEENSLAND

14th June 1918.

The Officer-in-charge,  
Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of Lance Corporal E.R.J. Littler, No. 63A  
31st Battalion late Second Light Horse, A.I.F., we have to  
request you to kindly favour us with a copy of his Attestation  
Sheet.

Yours faithfully,

*J. F. Fitzgerald & Walsh*

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,

Victoria Barracks,

Melbourne, 20th October 1915.

DESPATCHED

Dear, Madam,

In reply to your enquiry dated ~~20th~~ the (undated)  
I have to inform you that the address you enquire for  
is as follows:-

III

No. 63 Private E. R. J. Littler,  
Ill, 2nd Australian Light Horse,  
In Hospital, Netley,  
c/o Australian High Commissioner,  
LONDON, S.W.  
Yours faithfully,

DESPATCHED

J. M. LEAN, Captain,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Miss. M. Rosalie Perroux,  
River View,  
Deeford,  
Dawson Valley Line,  
CENTRAL QUEENSLAND.

# TELEGRAM.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

E.T. No. 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, VICTORIA.

E.3107.15.-  
C.8028.

This Message has been received subject to the Post and Telegraph Act and Regulations.  
All complaints to be addressed in writing to the Deputy Postmaster-General.



STATION FROM, NO. OF WORDS, AND CHECK.

REMARKS.

NOTE.—The figures at the bottom represent the time lodged at  
Sending Station and time received at this Office respectively.

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*W. Little, Deputy Postmaster-General*  
*since within 10:10*  
*22:10*

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE .

Base Records Office, A.I.E.F.  
Victoria Barracks,

MELBOURNE 19th November 1915.

Dear Sir,

The following is an extract from a Nominal  
Roll of sick and wounded, received by post, dated

28/8/15

who landed at Malta 27th August,  
No. 63 Private B.K.J. Littler, 2nd Field Hospital  
"Georgian", suffering from gastritis and teeth".

You are already aware that he has since  
been admitted to hospital at Netley, England.

Any further reports received will be promptly  
communicated to you.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. W. W. Littler,  
c/o Messrs Row & Co.,  
ROCKHAMPTON (Q).

J. M. LEAN. Captain.  
Officer i/c Base Records.

20th June, 1918.

12545

Gentlemen,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 14th instant, asking for copy of Attestation Sheet of No 63A, Lance Corporal E. R.J. Littler, 31st Battalion, and to inform you your request cannot be complied with, but if you will advise as to what particulars are required the matter will receive further attention.

Yours faithfully,

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Messrs. J.F. Fitzgerald & Walsh,  
Solicitors,  
The Colonial Mutual Life Offices,  
Queen Street, Brisbane.  
Queensland.

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Address all Mail to  
The Deputy Commissioner  
Repatriation Department  
Box 651 K. G.P.O.  
Brisbane, Queensland  
Telephone: 32 0331 Ext.

REPATRIATION DEPARTMENT  
QUEENSLAND BRANCH  
PERRY HOUSE  
ELIZABETH STREET  
BRISBANE. Q. 1

PLEASE QUOTE NO. M8728  
JD R17

The Officer-in-Charge,  
C.A.R.O.,  
"A" Block,  
Albert Park Barracks,  
MELBOURNE.

RICHARD JOSEPH

NAME LITTLER ERNEST Rank

No. 63A Unit 31 Bln

A claim has been lodged for Repatriation Benefits in respect of the  
abovenamed. Would you please forward -

Medical Documents ☒

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Micro Films ☒

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EXTRACT FROM CABLE FROM D.P.M.

BRISBANE.

Date 17.12.18.

B. 016.

15. Cancel allotment Cda LITTLE, S.M.J.  
1st Bn. discharged Nov. 28th.

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( pay section )

Forwarded to ALLOTMENTS. for information and action 19.12.18.

TO BE PASSED TO O/C No. 1 Sub-Section "A" RECORDS (10 Ar)

PARTICULARS OF MARRIAGE OF:-

| Reg. No.                           | Rank             | Name                 | Unit                    |
|------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 63 A                               | Lepe             | Litter, E. R. Good   | 31st Bn. P.T.A.         |
| Date & place of Marriage           | By whom married. | Maiden name of wife. | Place of Birth of wife. |
| 6.12.16.<br>London                 | Rev. J. Buchanan | Lightbody Jane       | Langholm<br>Seok.       |
| Partic. of Marriage extracted from |                  | Date                 |                         |
| N. 150                             |                  | By W.B. 16.4.18.     |                         |

Verification card shows N. of K. as:-

Action taken:-

Defence advised per List No:-

Date

Page

22nd July, 1918.

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Gentlemen,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication dated 16th instant, and to state your letter of the 6th instant was replied to on the 11th idem. as under : -

"With reference to your further communication of the 6th instant I have to inform you that according to the records of No. 63A, Lance Corporal E. R. J. Littler, 31st Battalion, he enlisted for the duration of the war and a further period of four months."

Yours faithfully,

Major  
Officer i/c Base Records

Messrs. J. F. Fitzgerald & Walsh,  
Solicitors,  
The Colonial Mutual Life Offices,  
Queen Street,  
BRISBANE.

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REGISTRATION OR CHANGE OF NEXT OF KIN

Pass to Record Section for action

{Tos/S Greenhalgh for recording then

{Tos/S Meadows for notification to all concerned)

Previously shown on A/P as (Name) W W Litter

Address 50 W & Evans Cannington

Relationship Father

To be altered to : (Name) Mrs Jane Litter

(Address) 2 Francis Street Langholm

Relationship Wife

Scotland

" Special notification of casualty cards" are provided for notification purposes.

Legal Next-of-Kin only can be registered on attestation papers

10639 pte Litter E.R.f.  
31st ~~2nd~~ <sup>1st</sup> Battalion  
Late 2nd Lt H.R.

31st Bn.

L.O'R.

July 11th 1918.

Gentlemen,

With reference to your further communication of the 6th instant I have to inform you that according to the records of No. 63A Lance-Corporal E.R.J. Littler, 31st Battalion, he enlisted for the duration of the war and a further period of four months.

Yours faithfully,

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Messrs. J.F. Fitzgerald & Walsh,  
Solicitors,  
The Colonial Mutual Life Offices,  
Queen Street,  
Brisbane, Q'LAND.

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2nd Net

5456 The Dickson Edward Orange

→ Alexander

5981 The Armstrong John Ryde

→ Squire

4148 The Heywood Richard Everton

→ Edwin

6207 The ~~Weather~~ Harold Manly

→ Robert Richard

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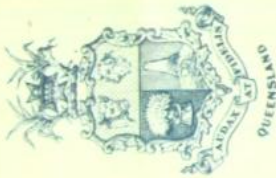
ALLOWANCE.

63A. LITTLER, E. (Pte)  
31st. Etn.

(Wife) Mrs. Jane Littler,  
2 Francis Street,  
Langholm, Dumfriesshire,  
SCOTLAND.

3/- from 9/2/17.

Cancels previous allot. 3/- another allottee.



Queensland Government  
Intelligence and Tourist Bureau,

19/202.

279 George Street,

MEMO.

Sydney,

5th June,

1918.

The Officer in Charge,

Pass Records,

Victoria Barracks,

Refence Department, RELIUM.

Dear Sir,

Would you kindly advise me as to the date upon which Sergt. Ernest Richard Joseph Littler, 1st A.I.T., 2nd A.I.H. Machine Gun Section, is expected to arrived in Sydney?

I desire to meet Sergt. Littler on behalf of his Queensland friends.

Yours faithfully,  
*D. M. J. (signature)*  
Director.

CORRESPONDENCE  
SECTION.

JUN 7 1918

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7th June, 1918.

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Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 3rd instant (15/502), and to advise that, according to the records, the transport by which No. 63A Lance-Corporal E.R.J. Littler, 31st Battalion, was reporting to be returning arrived at Male arna on the 27th ultimo. No doubt Lance-Corporal Littler has visited his relatives in Queensland, and now.

Should you desire to communicate with the soldier, the following address is suggested.

Returned to Australia.

No. 63A Lance-Corporal E.R.J. Littler,  
31st Battalion,  
C/o Staff Officer for Invalids  
and Returned Soldiers,  
Victoria Barracks,  
BRISBANE, QLD.

Yours faithfully,

Major.  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Director,  
Queensland Government  
Intelligence and Tourist Bureau,  
279 George Street,  
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

P.S. It is noted you refer to this soldier as Sergeant, but no advice of his promotion to that rank, has reached this office. *llh*

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

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

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE,  
MELBOURNE.

Dear

I am in receipt of cable advice to the effect that

is returning to Australia and is due in about  
the It is regretted that the movements or name of the  
transport on which he is arriving cannot be disclosed.

It is to be noted that owing to possible mutilations in the cabled advice and  
other causes this notification may not be correct pending verification from the roll on  
arrival of the Troopship.

Yours faithfully,

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

D.193/8.17.—C.5415.

HAS MR. BURNS ANY RECORD OF  
PROMOTION TO SGT. PLEASE.

RETURN TO S.S. SANDERSON.

*homecon P/B 9  
1.15.6*

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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 6340 1355  
Rank Private Name Little, E. R. J.  
Unit 2nd L. H. Regt - 31st Battalion

Casualty Sick slight 27/8/15 Disembarked at Malta  
Hospital ship Georgian W.B. 1375/2174. Dated 8/9/15 -  
Sick. Admitted Hosp. Netley. 2779 B.D. 4/10/15  
Embarked for England. 18/9/15. H.S. Oxfordshire to B. Malta 2001/2907A B. 12/10/15  
Gastric trouble. Admitted to Hosp. Malta 27/8/15. H.S. Georgian W.B. 1375/2174 28/8/15  
Fostered at home for England 18/9/15 by H.O. 04 for 3rd  
H.O. 04 2/10/15

Retg To Aust per Field Marshall List L Left Durban 23 4-18  
A.I.F. Depot 83/1388\_A Dtd. C. Town. 1.5.18. H.O. B-h 2.5.18

| DATE.      | PURPORT.                                                                                                                                                                  | REF. No. |
|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 17.9.15    | Noted as Disembarked Malta - Sick                                                                                                                                         |          |
| 7/10/15    | Biggs M.P. states father of above not received particulars. ask reply                                                                                                     | 8/10     |
| 8/10/15    | reply sent to wire of 7/10/15                                                                                                                                             |          |
| 1/10/15    | B. C. Biggs enclosing telegram sent by Editor Daily Record & News<br>re above                                                                                             |          |
| 9/10/15    | Biggs M.P. asking particulars of above he sent to father at<br>Wychampstead                                                                                               | 11/10    |
| 12.10.15   | Miss H. Rosalie Perrow asking for information re above                                                                                                                    | 11/10    |
| 13.10.15   | Noted as in hospital Netley Sick                                                                                                                                          |          |
| 14/10/15   | to Rosalie Perrow asking name of hospital                                                                                                                                 | 16/10    |
| 15/10/15   | reply sent to letter of 14/10/15                                                                                                                                          |          |
| 27/10/15   | H.K. asking for 14th unit supplying address until<br>further advice                                                                                                       | 28/10    |
| 30.10.15   | Reply sent to 28/10/15                                                                                                                                                    |          |
| 19.11.15   | Noted as per R.R.W. 61.                                                                                                                                                   |          |
|            | Spoke word asking for aid of above                                                                                                                                        |          |
| 7.3.16     | Reply sent to letter undated -                                                                                                                                            |          |
| MAY 6 1918 | N.O.K. Address Returning to Australia. Form<br>Returned to Australia 22/5/18<br>Disembarked 3rd M.H. for 1st M.H. (Suff. Duty)<br>Ret to duty 23/7/18 R.R. 140<br>22/5/18 |          |
| 27.11.18   | DISCHARGED 1st M.H. (Suff. Duty)                                                                                                                                          |          |
| 21.2.19    | "WILL" to R. 2. 9. 1st M.D. 4/33/911.5                                                                                                                                    |          |
|            | 1014/1915 Star issued B.H.N. 43/1229                                                                                                                                      |          |
|            | LIST 15 WAR HISTORY INDEX                                                                                                                                                 |          |

