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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 2nd Lieut Name Robert Sabeston
 Unit Army Pay Corps
 Joined on 1/6/1915

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Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... Robert Sabeston ...
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ...
 near the Town of Echuca ...
 in the County of (Northern District, Victoria) ...
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... Natural born British Subject ...
4. What is your age? ... 32 years ...
5. What is your trade or calling? ... Bank Clerk ...
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... No ...
7. Are you married? ... No ...
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ...
Robert Sabeston (Father)
"Marparilla"
Geelong Avenue, Geelong, Vic ...
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... 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? ... 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 ... No ...
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... No previous service ...
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... 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? ...
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... Yes ...

I, Robert Sabeston 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,*† and children.

Date 31. 5. 15

R. Sabeston
 Signature of person enlisted.

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 15 years of age.
 † Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

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CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

cd 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 1/6/1915

Badallon HON. LIEUT.
A. & I. STAFF.
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

3. Robert Sabeston swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 1st June 1915 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 Sabeston
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Melbourne in
the State of Victoria
this first day _____ of
June 1915, before me—

Badallon HON. LIEUT.
A. & I. STAFF.
Signature of Attesting Officer.

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

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Description of Robert Sabeston on Enlistment.

Age 32 years 7 months.
Height 5 feet 5 1/2 inches.
Weight 10 1/2 lbs.
Chest Measurement 22 1/2 inches.
Complexion Fresh
Eyes Blue
Hair Light Brown
Religious Denomination Presby

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Vac 2 Left Arm
Note. Scarred Chest

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 31st May 1915

Place Melbourne

W. H. Summons Capt. A.M.B.

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 Army Day Corps

Date 1-6-15

Place Melbourne

McHenry Colonel
Commanding Army Day Corps

Statement of Service of No. 62

Name

Sabeston Robert

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
A.P.C. 37/5	Lt	1.6.15	15.9.16	Promoted London order 3/10/16
"	S/Sgt	1.12.15	30.11.15	
"	2nd Lieut	15.9.16		

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

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 62 Name Robert Sabeston
 Unit Army Day Corps
 Joined on 1/6/1915

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name! ... 1. Robert Sabeston
2. In the Parish of Wharparilla North (Conunbury) in or near the Town of Echuca in the County of (Northern District) Victoria
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 British Subject
4. What is your age! ... 4. 37 years
5. What is your trade or calling! ... 5. Bank Clerk
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. Robert Sabeston (Father)
Wharparilla
Herbich Avenue, Echuca, Victoria
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 Incurrible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy! ... 10. No
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces! If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... 11. No
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... 12. No previous service
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. _____
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever! ... 15. Yes

I, Robert Sabeston 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 21.5.15

Robert Sabeston
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.

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CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

cd 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 naturalised British Subjects.)

Date 1/6/1915

Badlam

HON. LIEUT.
A. & I. STAFF.

Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

3. Robert Sabeston swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 1st June 1915 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 Sabeston

Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Melbourne in the State of Victoria this First day of

June 1915, before me—

Badlam

HON. LIEUT.
A. & I. STAFF.

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.

3

Description of Robert Sabeston on Enlistment.

Age <u>12</u> years <u>7</u> months.	DISTINCTIVE MARKS. <u>Vac & Keft arm</u> <u>Mole Centre Chest</u>
Height <u>5</u> feet <u>5 1/2</u> inches.	
Weight <u>10 1/2</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement <u>33/35</u> inches.	
Complexion <u>Rose</u>	
Eyes <u>Blue</u>	
Hair <u>Light 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; 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 31st May 1915

Place Melbourne

W. H. Sumner Captain M.B.
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 Army Pay Corps

Date 1-6-15

Place Melbourne

W. H. King Colonel
Commanding Army Pay Corps

Statement of Service of No. 62. ^{4.} Name R. Sabeston

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From--	To--	
	Embarked for Overseas at Alexandria per Transylvania	17.4.16		Pt 2 5.5.16. Pt 19. 26.7.16.
	PROMOTED to Staff Serjt Egypt	1.10.15		
	Prom to be 2/Lieut	15.4.16		J. L. W. Lint 96 P. L. W. 2536
	2.05.16 CASC London from France	25.7.16	20.11.16	30.8.16
	Staff Serjt Base Pay Office London	24.7.16	10.5.20	8.9.16
	British Army when on Leave	1.4.20	31.5.20	
	Provised Inf. should read	1.4.20	2.4.20	
	also Leave from	10.5.20	18.5.20	not from 9.5.20 as stated.

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

AUSTRALIAN  MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. George Major

Name { Surname *Sabeston* "ORR."
 in full { Christian Name *Robert*
 Unit *Army Pay Corps.*
 Joined on _____

WAR GRATUITY-SCHEDULE

3/1 1/2 1

Cover Only

1914/1915 Star Issued B.R.M. 43/1229/.....

575/5 200

Station P.M.R.B.

F.M.

A.M. Form D2.
(For use in Australia.)
Revised 1.4.19.

Date

AUSTRALIAN



MILITARY FORCES.

MEDICAL REPORT ON AN INVALID.

63096

1. Number _____ 2. Rank H.L./Col. 3. Name SABESTON Robert "OBE"
 4. Unit Pay Corps 5. Age 36 yrs. 6. Trade or Occupation Bank Clerk
 7. Place of Enlistment Melbourne, 7A. Date of Enlistment 1.6.15.
 8. Disability in respect of which invaliding is proposed _____

MEDICAL OFFICER'S STATEMENT OF CASE. (Soldier's own statement must be carefully recorded as such, and signed by him.)

9. Date and place of origin of disability *nil disabled* Date of arrival from overseas *"OSTERLEY"*
 10. Date and place where disability first caused man to become a Casualty _____
 11. Essential facts of Medical History (including causation) _____

*Never wounded or gassed
 Egypt 1915. Nile River Fortnightly ho disabled
 H ✓
 Chest ✓
 Class II
 W. K. ...
 E. ...*

3/10/20

12. State whether disability was (a) Due to Military Service, (b) Aggravated by Military Service, or (c) Independent of Military Service; (d) Due to, or aggravated by, want of proper care on man's part, intemperance, misconduct, &c. _____

13. What is his present condition and progress? _____

14. If the disability is an injury, state whether it was caused (a) in action, (b) on field service, (c) on duty, (d) off duty _____

15. If a Court of Inquiry was held, state place, date, and opinion _____

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

17. Was an operation advised, and declined? _____

18. In the case of loss or decay of teeth—Was it due to, aggravated by, or independent of, Military Service? _____

19. Give particulars of any other disabilities existing _____

20. Do you recommend discharge as permanently unfit for general service? _____

Medical Officer in charge of case.

I, having satisfied myself of the general accuracy of this report, concur therewith, except

W. ...
Officer in charge of Hospital.

Station

Date

D. 1150/2. 19.—(5. 136)—2009.

Entries will be made here when an invalid is brought before a Medical Board and deferred for treatment.

Date and Station	Date and Station
Result	Result
Signatures	Signatures

OPINION OF MEDICAL BOARD ON FINALIZATION.

NOTE.—Clear and definite answers to the following questions are to be carefully filled in by the Board, as, in the event of the man being invalided, it is essential that the Deputy Commissioner of Pensions should be in possession of the most reliable information to enable him to decide upon the man's claim for pension, and the Deputy Comptroller of Repatriation, of information to enable him to decide questions of assistance and vocational training.

21. State whether the disability is clearly (a) Due to Military Service, (b) Aggravated by Military Service, (c) Independent of Military Service; (d) Due to, or aggravated by, want of proper care on man's part, intemperance, misconduct, &c.
22. Is the present degree of disability permanent?
23. If not, at what rate and to what degree do you anticipate improvement?
24. To what extent is his working capacity at present affected by his disability? (a) In his pre-enlistment trade or occupation; (b) In the general labour market? (Estimate as a percentage of full capacity)
25. If an operation was advised and declined, was the refusal unreasonable?
26. Do the Board recommend discharge as permanently unfit for General Service?
27. If discharge is recommended, it should be stated whether further treatment is desirable in a (a) Sanatorium, (b) Orthopaedic Institution, (c) Convalescent Home, (d) Asylum, or (e) other institution. State whether further treatment should be an in-patient or an out-patient, and for what period.
28. Is any surgical appliance recommended?
29. Is the man fit for work or for vocational training? If not, state reasons for recommendation for discharge from A.I.F.

Station	Signatures	President.
Date		Members.

CONFIRMED.

Station	Director General Medical Services.
Date	

This form will be used for the finalization of all invalids in Australia, and will embody (Question 11) all information contained on the papers of invalids returned from overseas. Question 13 will include in its Answer a detailed careful account of the medical condition of the patient on finalization. On completion of the Board, it will be forwarded to the P.M.O. by hand, for confirmation, thence to the S.O.I. and R.S., who will make necessary copies. **This report is confidential.**

Single copies only need be forwarded to Head Quarters.

For discharge of members of services other than the permanent forces the District P.M.O. may approve for the D.G.M.S.

No. 2 GENERAL HOSPITAL

Australian Imperial Force.

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Discharged
to duty at
Interim Base.

006148

No. A 172 62

Medical Officer i/c Cap Pyne

Rank Lt. Name Sabeston R. Regt. A.P.C.

Ward 9 Age 31 Nationality _____ Religion Pres.

Admitted 7 Sep. 15 Discharged 19. 9. 15

Disease Influenza Result cured

Operation and Anæsthetic _____ Result _____

Assistant Surgeon _____ Sister in Charge Mrs. Lehman

Medical Officer in Charge Cap Pyne

Remarks _____

Secretary and Registrar A.W. Campbell Major Date 19 Sept. 1915 191

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TREATMENT SHEET.

SERIAL No.

NAME Sabeston, R. RANK Sargent AGE 31.
BATTALION A. P. C. DISEASE Influenza.
DATE 4. 9. 15

Bed.
Full foods

Egypt. July 1915. Now in Army Pay Corp Office Cairo.
Typhoid inoc. 3. Vaccinated Successful.
No illness previously.

B. Calomel gr. ii
Potion.

On admission.
8. 9. 15. Headache, hot & flushed. Lungs healthy.
Breathing sounds clear. Heart normal.
Pain at back of eyes. Stomach pain - R. H. D.

9. 9. 15
A. Mist Juice apr.
C. d. 3.

10. 9. 15
Less pain & day.
17. 9. 15. Improving.
19. 9. 15 Discharged to duty

**DIET AND EXTRA SHEET FOR PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL, AND
 EXTRA SHEET FOR DINING HALLS, AND KITCHEN SUNDRIES.**

Hospital, at _____ Period from _____ to _____

Regtl. No.	RANK AND NAME (Surname first)	Corps	Squadron, Troop, Company, or Battery	Age	Service	DISEASE
	Sabeston. R. Sergeant	A. P. 6		31		

Ward Number	Number in Admission and Discharge Book	Admitted into hospital 4. 9 1915	Discharged from hospital 19	Religious denomination Presby.
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Date	Name of diet first time in full, afterwards abbreviated For dining hall, state number of patients	EXTRAS OR KITCHEN SUNDRIES (Quantities in Words)					Initials of Medical Officer (First time name in full). All spaces in which an entry has been made must be severally initialled by the Medical Officer thus _____ before he signs his name or initials.
		Tea	Milk	Butter	Eggs	Other	
Sept 15							
8	nick food	2	2	2	1	1	MSD/MS
9	"						
10	"						
11	"						
12	Chicken	2	2	2	1	1	MSD/MS
13-15							
16	"	2	2	2	1	1	MSD/MS
17							
18							
19	Ordinary						MSD/MS

TOTAL IN FIGURES

I certify that the above Diets,† Drinks,‡ Extras,‡ and Sundries‡ were ordered by me for Robert Sabeston Patient and that they were necessary.

NOTE.—Extras may be ordered without at the same time ordering a Diet. After Diets or Extras have been ordered on the Diet Sheet, no further entry need be made until a change is considered necessary. The entries will always be written in full opposite the date when any change is made; also on the day of discharge, or when a patient is transferred from the care of one M.O. to another.

*Insert here "Patient," "Dining hall," or "Kitchen."
 †Delete as required to render the certificate complete.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES—3RD MILITARY DISTRICT.

8647

VICTORY MEDAL

Received One MEDAL for No.

Rank *Major* Name *Sabeston R*

Unit *257*

Schedule No. *43a* (Signature) *R Sabeston*

(Witness) *Geo J. Durbinson*

Place *with 257*

Date *18 DEC 1922* History Card completed *H*

18 DEC 1922
SYDNEY

D.1862/7.26.—C.12315.—100M.

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

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

C.12015.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES—3RD MILITARY DISTRICT.

BRITISH WAR MEDAL

Received One MEDAL for No.

Rank *Major* Name *Sabeston R.*

Unit *A.A.P.C.*

Schedule No. *439* (Signature) *R. Sabeston*

(Witness) *Geo. J. Durkinson*

Place *Crook Bank* History Card completed *5*

Date *19/2/22*

D.1802/7.20.—C.12015.—100M.

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

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

C.12015.

MELBOURNE
1918

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES—3RD MILITARY DISTRICT.

Received One *Star* MEDAL for No. *42*
Rank *Sgt* Name *Sabeston R*
Unit *AAFC*
Schedule No. *27483* (Signature) *R Sabeston*
(Witness) *Geo Z. Dickinson*
Place *Cuth Birk*
Date *13/12/22* History Card completed *A*

8 DEC 22
C. 15015

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

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

G.12015.

<u>Aust. Troops.</u>		
No. 2/Aust. Gen. Hosp. Gezira, Cairo.		M.E.F. E
Regiment	A.P.C.	Reg; No. 62
	412	
Troop, Bally. or Coy.	-	
Rank	Sgt. 2	
Name	Sabeston, R.	
Age	31	
Service	-	
Service	{ in Command or in Field Force }	-
Disease	- - - - -	Influenza. 032
Admitted to Hospital	- - -	7/9/15
Discharged from Hospital		
Discharged to duty	- - - - -	19/9/15
Disease changed		
Died		
Transferred		
Discharged invalid		
Days under Treatment	13	(13)
Religion		
Observations		

X-1-3

✓

A.172

Bk.2

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3/10/20
HJH

DISCONTINUED

RETURNED SOLDIER'S ROUTINE FORM

BOAT "OSTERLEY"

DATE

NO.	RANK.	NAME.	UNIT
	H/Lt/Col.	SABESTON Robert	"OBE" Pay Corps.

Home Address

Section 1, For Finalization (KIT etc.)

" 2. Dental

(Medical - Hospital direct.

Section 3, P.M.R.B.

(Leave prior to Hospital.

(Surgical - Finalization.

Class. A.

Section 4, Pensions Magistrate

" 5. A.A. Reserve

" 6. Discharge Particulars

Civilian suit issued.

R.S. Badge issued.

Leave Pass issued.

Warrant issued.

The Officer supervising each Section will initial this sheet opposite his Section to indicate that the soldier has been dealt with by the Section. He will then strike out any words inapplicable. The soldier is to be then directed to the next section he must report to.

This sheet must accompany the soldier through the various Sections, and will be retained by the S.O.I. & R.S. when he has been finally dealt with.

D.B.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE, A.I.F.,
8th April, 1920.

Major R. Sabeston, O.B.E.,
C/o R. Sabeston, Esq.,
"Wharparilla"
Glenleith Avenue,
Geelong, West.
VICTORIA.

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of
extract from the Sixth Supplement, No. 31684 to the London
Gazette, dated 12th December, 1919, relating to the con-
spicuous services rendered by yourself whilst serving with
the Australian Imperial Force.

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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDER OF KNIGHTHOOD.

"THE KING has been graciously pleased to give orders
for the following promotion in and appointment to the Most
Excellent Order of the British Empire in recognition of
valuable services rendered in connexion with the war, to be
dated 3rd June, 1919 :-

To be an Officer of the Military Division of the said
Most Excellent Order :-

Major ROBERT SABESTON. "

x x x x

The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of
Australia Gazette, No. 30 dated 25th March, 1920.

Major.
Officer i/c Base Records.

P.B No 14 1/2

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

RECORD OF OFFICERS' SERVICES.

Rank and Name 2nd Lieut Sabeston R.
 Staff or Unit Army Pay Corps Finance Section
 Date of Appointment and Gazette 15.9.16 C.A.G. 10/17 M.O. 38/17
 Promotion (date and Gazette) _____
 Left Australia in Transport A.H.O. "Ceramic" on 25.6.1916 ✓

Record subsequent to embarkation:—

Promoted Lieutenant 15/12/16 C.A.G. 66/17 M.O. 189/17
17.5.17 to Lt. Capt. (Temp) C.A.G. 150/17 M.O. 480/17 at
From Capt 10th Oct 1917 C.A.G. 23/18 M.O. 79/18
To the Temp Major whilst in Comd of A Coy 22nd March 1918 C.A.G. 92/18
Brought under notice of Secy of State for Valuable Services M.O. 265/18 M.O. 202/18
18/2/19 Form of Commisn. 10. NOK B. R. M. No. 37/320
31.10.18 To the Major (Acting Army Pay Dept) C.A.G. 13/19 M.O. 77/19
Mentioned in Despatches M.O. 331/19
1.11.19 To officiate as Chief Paymaster A.I.F. with effect
from 17/10/19, and to be Temp. Lieut-Col. whilst so
employed since Col Thomas C.A.S. of 105 for 12.0.19/20 etc
To be Officer of the Military Division of the most
Excel. Order of the British Empire. C.A.G. 30/20 M.O. 126/20
Ceased to officiate as Chief Paymaster A.I.F. relinquished
Temp. rank of Lt. Colonel & granted Honorary rank
Returned to Australia (Date, Transport, and any other details):—
of Lt. Colonel. 22.5.20. C.A.G. 66/1089/20 M.O. 347
(1) Brought to notice of Secy of State for War for val. services rendered M.O. 331/60/19
3.7.20 appt. terminated 3rd. M.O. C.A.G.
Gazetted from A.I.F. 7.2/1920 M.O. 376/198/20
(2) Brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for War for valuable services rendered, M.O. 346/20

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Base Records Office,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,

EMH

Melbourne, 18th February, 1919.

Dear Sir,

I forward herewith form of Commission issued by the British War Office covering the appointment of your son, Temporary Major R. Sabeston, Army

Pay Corps,

as a temporary 2nd Lieutenant in the Regular Forces of the British Army, for retention against the time of his return from active service. This refers to his first appointment to Commission, and not to his present rank. If you kindly let me know whether same comes safely to hand by signing and returning the attached receipt form.

R. Sabeston, Esq.,

"Wharparilla,"

Glenleith Avenue,

Q12224.

GEELONG WEST, Vic.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN,

Major,

Officer i/c Base Records.

DESPATCHED

WJM/BS.

TELEPHONE: 3606.
CENTRAL 4741.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE.
VICTORIA BARRACKS.

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

Melbourne, 10th October, 1918.

Dear Sir,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from a *Communique* issued by the Imperial War Office, dated 13th March, 1918:--

“The name of the undermentioned has been brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for War, for valuable services rendered in connexion with the war, and, when applicable, an entry will be made in the records of service of officers and other ranks.”

* * * * *

Captain R. SABESTON . "

The above has been promulgated in Australian Military Order No. 268, dated 22nd June, 1918.

Yours faithfully,

R. Sabeston Esq.,
"Wharparilla"
Glenleith Avenue,
Geelong West,
VICTORIA.

J. Inkean

Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

C.16269.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned (1) Package , being the effects of ~~the~~ Temp/Major R. Sabeston, A.A.P.C. consigned to me.

No.	Description,
1	Commission Form

Signature Robert Sabeston

Date 5th April 1919

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—
**The Officer in Charge,
Base Records,
Victoria Barracks,
Melbourne, Victoria.**

D.1072/S.17.—C.10115.—50M.

13 Glenelg Avenue
Geelong West.
5th April 1919.

The Officer in Charge
Base Records
Melbourne.

Dear Sir,

I must apologize for
delay in forwarding enclosed receipt.

I put the papers away in a safe place, and
forgot all about the receipt until this morning.

Yours faithfully,
Robert Sabeston.

M. J. [unclear]
9/4 19



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Ser

Catt
Regt (Inf)

Casualty Form — Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 1st AUST PAY CORP A.I.F.

Regimental No. 22 Rank Private S/Sgt Name SABESTON R. *Robert*

Enlisted (a) 1/6/15 Terms of Service (a) End of War & 4mths service reckons from (a)

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

Extended _____ 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				
17/4/16	Nom. Roll	Embarked for Overseas per "Transylvania" at	Alexandria	17/4/16	D.O. 2/19 51/1/49 102/1/63
24.4.16	Nom Roll	Disembarked at	Marseilles	24.4.16	AC 668.
1/7/16	OC Army Pay Corps B.E.F.	Enlisted 1/6/15 and appointed Sergeant promoted to Staff Sergeant.	Australia Egypt	1-6-15 1-12-15	ARN: 303/12/16 1/1
16/1/16	Army Pay Corps B.E.F.	Transferred to Pay Office London.	Rouss	22/9/16	AC 4554
1/1/16	1st A.P.C.	Taken on strength of A. A. P. C. London from	Egypt	25/7/16	pt 4 100E 30 & 16 A. F. 13 210 A.S.P.R. 8/9/16
28/1/16	A.F.B. 213 1st A.P.C.	Promoted 2/Lieut.	England	28/9/16	8 B. 6580. D.O. 21/2/16 P.F. 11/16 23/4/16
1/1/16	1st A.P.C.	To Lieutenant	England	15-12-16	D.O. 4/E 24.1.17 100E

(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, Shoening Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

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Captain (Temp Major)
Lieut. (Temp Major) **SABESTON** **R** *(Pay Corps)*

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				
	Lot 185	Lieut granted the temporary rank of Captain vice Holder to Australia	London	17.5.17	D.O. 411E - 13.6.17 Lot 185
	AIF List 253	Temp Capt To be Captain		1.10.17	Do. 82/6 ³⁰ / ₂₀₁₅ 17
	AIF List 312	Capt. Granted Temp rank of Major whilst second in command of the 2d Pay Corps at Adm HQs. AIF London.		22.3.18	No 165 59th 22.4.18 15.4.18
	AIF List 313	(Major) Brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for War for valuable services rendered in connection with the war (Det from War Office Document 13.3.18)			Do 165 59th 22.4.18 15.4.18
8.6.18	GSO	(Temp Capt) Via Falkstone		8 JUN 1918	PR 2009/219 Do 244 17.6.18
13.7.18	A. Pay Corps	Officer from Temp duties in France for duty at Pay Office London.	London	8.7.18	L6052

Army Form B 103

Temporary

Regimental Number.....

Casualty Form - Active Service.
AUST. ARMY PAY CORPS

Rank *Major* Surname *Sabeston* Christian Name *R.*
 Religion Age on Enlistment years months
 Enlisted (a) Terms of Service (a) Service reckons from (a)
 Date of promotion to present rank Date of appointment to lance rank
 Extended (.....) Re-engaged (.....) Qualification (b)
 or Corps Trade and rate
 Occupation *Original A.F.B. 103 not received M.I.* Signature of Officer

Date	Report From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc. during active service, as reported on Army Form B 103, 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 103, Army Form A 36, or other official documents.
		Embarked ...			
		Disembarked ...			
<i>14.6.18</i>	<i>A.A. Pay Corps Attached A.A.P.C. B.E.F. B.213.</i>	<i>from Admin. Hdqrs. London. France</i>	<i>France</i>	<i>11.6.18</i>	<i>A.65/76. RD. 11/285.</i>
<i>23.9.16</i>	<i>A.A. Pay Corps On Command, on Temp. London duty in France</i>	<i>London</i>	<i>London</i>	<i>5.6.18</i>	<i>AK. 280/32. L. 450/</i>
<i>20/1/18</i>	<i>A.A.P.C. (B.213)</i>	<i>Returned to Adm Hqs London on completion of inspection duty in France</i>		<i>8.7.18</i>	<i>A.65/81 RD. 22/371.</i>
<i>B.213</i>	<i>London.</i>	<i>Major M/O to Devonport on duty</i>		<i>19/10/18</i>	<i>L. 9297</i>
<i>26.10.18</i>	<i>ad A.A. Pay Corps London</i>	<i>Rejoined from duty at</i>	<i>Devonport</i>	<i>24.10.18</i>	<i>L. 9349</i>

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered
 (b) Signaller, Showing Smith, & Co. W 1021-31723 2000m 9/17 1-211, C. F. & S., Ltd., Form B/103 E/1987 P.T.O.

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Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.219, 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.219, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
27.11.18	At list 407.	To be Major.		31.10.18	AX 17257.
26/3/18	At list 313.	Mentioned for valuable services rendered in connection with war			AMB.
27.3.19	War Office (Maj.)	Brought to notice of Secy of State for War for valuable services rendered.	London		
26.7.19	DAAG, (Maj.)	leave from 2.5.19 to (Finance Sect.)	London	30.8.19	LX 6661
Eligible for 15 days extra discomb. leave 31.7.19					
2.9.19	DAAG	Resumed leave	London	30.8.19	MB/4
28.8.19	War Office Comm.	Brought to notice of Secy of State for War for valuable services rendered.			
Eligible for 15 days extra discomb. leave					
30 SEP 1919					
23.10.19	DAAG	Special leave w/o subsistence from 22.10.19 - 23.10.19.	London	23.10.19	MK 766.
25.10.19	do	Returned from leave	do	24.10.19	M/830
at list 516.	11.11.19	Is appointed as chief paymaster with effect from 17.10.19 and to be Lt. Col. whilst so employed vice Col. T. J. Thomas	London	1.11.19	516
<p>12</p> <p>Approved OAC with effect from 1.11.19</p> <p>Outfit with 26/11/19. 1.11.19</p>					

(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment or Corps Adelaide Regimental Number _____
 *Substantive Rank Army Lt Col Surname Sabeston Christian Names R.
 *Acting Rank _____
 (* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

To be folded on this line.
Nothing to be written in this margin.

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(A) Report		(B) Authority of 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					
1. 11. 20	a.a.s.		Granted leave from 31. 3. 20 to		2. 21. 20	MR 1781.
14. 5. 20	do		Granted spec. leave 9. 5. 20 to 18. 5. 20		9. 5. 20	MR 1828
17. 5. 20	a.a.s.		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> RETURN TO AUSTRALIA For <u>Osterley</u> </div> Reling temp rank of Lieut Col and granted Hon rank of Lt Col. re-iteration of above reversion will appear in next AIF list		20/355/H. AIF list. 22. 5. 20	

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Surname *Sabeston.*
Christian Names *Robert.*

Statement of Service.

Rank	Unit	Date of Appointment to A.I.F.	Date of Subsequent Promotion	Reference to Commonwealth Gazette and other Authority	
<i>2/Lt.</i>	<i>AIFHA</i>	<i>15.9.16</i>		<i>AIF List 95.</i>	
<i>Lieut.</i>	<i>Qvo</i>		<i>15.12.16</i>	<i>AS List 134- 6.1.17</i>	
<i>1/Capt.</i>			<i>17.5.17.</i>	<i>AS List 185 11.12.17</i>	<i>vice Holden to Australia.</i>
<i>Capt.</i>			<i>1.10.17.</i>	<i>AS List 258 29/10/17</i>	
<i>1/Major.</i>			<i>22.8.18.</i>	<i>" " 312.</i>	<i>32 7/12</i>
<i>Major</i>			<i>31.10.18</i>	<i>" " 407 8.11.18.</i>	<i>1-6-15.</i>
<i>1/Lt Col</i>			<i>1.11.19</i>	<i>" " 516 11.11.19</i>	
<i>Hon Lt Col</i>	<i>advice</i>				<i>P.M.O.</i>

Casualties.

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

Personal.

Civil Occupation	Date and Place of Birth	Married or Single	Relationship, Name and Address of Next of Kin	Remarks
		<i>S</i>	<i>Quot.</i>	

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

PARTICULARS	Reference to Orders or other Authority
15-12-16. Promoted Lieut. (AIF List No 1311)	AIF 1005 22-1-17
22-3-18. Granted the temp. rank of Major whilst in Command of The A. Coy Coyes at Admin. B. L., A.S.F., London.	AIF List 312. AIF 1005 22-1-17
Brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for War for valuable services rendered in connection with the war. (Extract from H.O. Document 1719)	AIF List 313. AIF 1005 22-1-17
4-6-18. PROCEEDED O/SEA, FRANCE Via Folkestone	AIF 1005 22-1-17
11-6-18 Attached for duty to Aust. Army Pay Corps, BEF. from Aust. Army Pay Corps. England (Temporary)	AIF 1005 22-1-17
2-7-18 Detached from A. Coy Coyes BEF, returned to Admin. B. L., London. <i>Major</i>	AIF 1005 22-1-17
	<p>500-22/371 1919 AIF List 313. 26.3.19. 1st. Div. leave 190. 16/24. 1919. " " " 130 20/17. 14.10.19. AIF List 316 11.12.19</p>
<i>W. H. Col.</i>	AIF 1005 22-1-17
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p align="center">RETURN TO AUSTRALIA</p> <p>Per <i>Osterley</i></p> <p>For.....</p> </div>	AIF 1005 22-1-17

268/18
Lieut Sabeston R
Army Pay Corps
Lieut Major
Capt Camp

S A B E S T O N ...

ROBERT.....

Transferred to

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

"OBE."

No. _____
 Rank *Sen Lt. Col.* ^{C7024^B} Name *SABESTON, R*
 Unit *Pay Corps.*

Casualty *Went to Aust for H. F. Cadeley's embarkment 22.5.20*
C.I.D. L. 3751/7024^B Disemb. L. 27.5.20 Rec'd A.R. 1.6.20 } *Lemish,*

Returned to Australia per A.....
 Disembarked..... M. D.



DATE	REMARKS
4 JUL 1920	N.O.K. Advised returning to Australia. Form <i>AWA</i>
3.10.20	appt. Terminated 3rd, M.D. <i>AWA</i>

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