

Edwin Boniface (1867-1932)

Also known as Edward Boniface

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Proceedings on Discharge.

(When forwarded for confirmation these proceedings should be accompanied by the documents specified on the 4th page.)

No. 9948 Army Rank Colour Sergeant

Name Edwin Boniface
(The name must agree strictly with that on enlistment, unless changed subsequently by authority.)

Corps of Regular Forces Rifle Brigade

Battalion, Battery, Company, Depot, &c. Permanent Staff (6th Battⁿ)
(If attached to Permanent Staff of Militia, Volunteers, &c., or to General Staff of the Army, it should be so stated.)

Date of Discharge 31st March 1908

Place of Discharge Mullingar

1. Description at the time of Discharge.

<p>*Age <u>41</u> years <u>4</u> months</p> <p>*Height <u>5</u> feet <u>4</u> inches</p> <p>*Chest Measurement <u>38</u> inches</p> <p>*Complexion <u>Fresh</u></p> <p>*Eyes <u>Brown</u></p> <p>*Hair <u>Dark Brown</u></p> <p>*Trade <u>Labourer</u></p> <p>Intended place of Residence <u>76 Malver St. Rusholme Manchester</u> <small>(To be given as fully as practicable)</small></p>	<p>Descriptive Marks.</p> <p><i>Nil</i></p>
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(This description should be taken on the day the man leaves his Unit, but in the case of men sent home from abroad for discharge, the age and intended place of residence should be left blank to be filled in by the Officer who confirms the discharge at home.)

RETURN THESE DOCUMENTS TO:
THE WAR OFFICE,
RECORDS CENTRE
BOURNE AVENUE,
HAYES, MIDDLESEX.

2. The above named man is discharged in consequence of Termination of his period of Engagement
Para 1805 XXI, King's Regus:
and A.O. 423.12.04.

(The cause of discharge must be worded as prescribed in the King's Regulations and be identical with that on the Discharge certificate. If discharged by superior authority, the No. and date of the letter to be quoted.)

3. Conduct and character while with the Colours, have been, according to the records, etc. Excellent. Thoroughly reliable, frantically industrious and trustworthy.

(This will be assessed, when practicable, by the Commanding Officer, in the presence of the soldier and the Officer Commanding his company. See King's Regulations for terms to be employed. No additional character to be given on discharge from Reserve.)

4. Special qualifications for employment in civil life. Is a good accountant and suitable for position of Chief Accountant having been employed as office messenger for some years with satisfaction.

(See King's Regulations and "Instructions as to the Civil Employment of Army Reserve Men and Discharged Soldiers.")

If desirous of Post Office employment the Commanding Officer will, provided the man is worthy of it, give in these documents a certificate in his own handwriting worded as follows:-
I believe is thoroughly trustworthy and to the best of my belief he has never been under the influence of liquor within the last three years.

The character will be recorded in all cases, and will be in the handwriting of the Commanding Officer when, in those instances in which character certificates are given, the certificate is not filled in by the man himself. The reasons for recording the character will, however, only be entered on the certificate if favourable to the soldier, and no progress will be made in the character certificate in the instance of a soldier's special qualifications.

* Not required to be filled in in the case of men discharged from the Army Reserve.

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6. He is in possession of the following number of G. C. Badges (if the man is a N. O. O. and enlisted prior to 1st July, 1861, the number he would have been entitled to had he not been promoted should be stated.)

Two

Is it probable that he will be entitled to another good conduct badge before the confirmation of these proceedings?

(No reference to G. C. Badges is to be made on either the discharge or character certificate.)

8. Medals and Decorations

Upper Barrow + 2 clasps
187-89 1892-93

Long Service Good Conduct

Certificate of Education

2nd class

(To be entered on the discharge certificate immediately under Medals and Decorations, but non-possession of an Educational Certificate is not to be stated thereon although it is to be recorded here.)

To be copied by the Commanding Officer on to the parchment Discharge Certificate

7. His accounts are correctly balanced, and signed by the Officer Commanding his Company, and I have impartially inquired into all matters brought before me in accordance with Regulations.

(Place) *Mullingar*

(Date) *31. 3. 08*

W. S. Harrison
Commanding 6th Battalion Rifle Brigade

8. Certificate to be signed by the Soldier on Discharge.

I hereby acknowledge that I have received all my Pay, Allowances and Clothing, and all just demands up to the present date, subject to the reservations of the claims noted on the 3rd page.

(Place) *Mullingar*

(Date) *31. 3. 08*

E. Boniface (Signature of Soldier.)
C. Gilmore (Signature of Witness.)

(When a Soldier is absent through illness or any other cause, and it is not desirable to forward these proceedings to him for signature, a manuscript copy should be sent for the man to sign, and when returned should be attached here.)

9. Additional Certificate in the case of a Soldier who takes his discharge at his own request.

I hereby declare that I do of my own free will request to be discharged from His Majesty's Service.

(Signature of Soldier.)

10. Statement of Service.

Service towards Engagement to *21/3/08* (the date to which the Record of Service is completed) *22* years *74* days

Further Service " " (the date of confirmation of discharge) " " " " " "

Total .. *22* " *74* "

11. Confirmation of Discharge

The discharge of the abovesigned man is hereby confirmed.

(Place) *Mullingar*

(Date) *31. 3. 1908*

Edward Steuart Colonel
4th Rifle Brigade

Commanding Officers (or the Paymaster, if at Netley) are to issue to every discharged soldier whose claim to pension, either on account of service or disability, is to be brought under the consideration of the Chelsea Board, a memorandum for his guidance on Army Form D. 401, and will at the same time transmit to the Under Secretary of State for War a Descriptive Return of the Man on Army Form D. 400.

12. Chelsea decision.

ARMY RESERVE (SPECIAL RESERVISTS) ONE YEAR'S SERVICE.

TR 13/15611

ATTESTATION OF 11TH (S) BDN R.B.

Name Boniface Edward Corps R.B.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before enlistment.

- 1. What is your Name? ... 2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ... 3. Are you a British Subject? ... 4. What is your Age? ... 5. What is your Trade or Calling? ... 6. Have you resided out of your Father's house for three years ...

You are hereby warned that if after enlistment it is found that you have given a wilfully false answer to any of the following seven questions, you will be liable to imprisonment with hard labour.

- 7. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? ... 8. Are you Married? ... 9. Have you ever been sentenced to Penal Servitude or Imprisonment by the Civil Power? ... 10. Do you now belong to the Royal Navy, the Army, the Royal Marines, the Militia, the Special Reserve, the Territorial Force, the Army Reserve, the Militia Reserve, or any Naval Reserve Force? ... 11. Have you ever served in the Royal Navy, the Army, the Royal Marines, the Militia, the Special Reserve, the Territorial Force, the Imperial Yeomanry, the Volunteers, the Army Reserve, the Militia Reserve, or any Naval Reserve Force? ... 12. Have you truly stated the whole, if any, of your previous Service? ... 13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for the Military or Naval Forces of the Crown? ... 14. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? ... 15. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand the meaning, and who gave it to you? ... 16. Are you willing to serve upon the following conditions ...

DECEASED stamp

I, Edward Boniface do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made. Edward Boniface SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT. J. Entwistle Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Edward Boniface swear by Almighty God, that I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs, and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, in Person, Crown, and Dignity against all enemies, and will observe and obey all orders of His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, and of the Generals and Officers set over me. So help me God.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

The Recruit above-named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act. The above questions were then read to the Recruit 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, and the said Recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at Manchester on this 10 day of Sep 1914 Signature of the Justice Edward...

If any alteration is required on this page of the Attestation, a Justice of the Peace should be requested to make it and attol the attestation under Section 50 (b), Army Act. The Recruit should, if he require it, receive a copy of the Declaration on Army Form B. 2.

Vertical text on the left margin: "If on the Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former Service, and to produce, if possible, his Certificate of Discharge and Certificate of Character, which should be returned to him accompanied by endorsement on the (Data) on the (Data) re-called in the (Regiment)"

STATEMENT of the SERVICES of

Name *Boniface E.*

Showing recruit training, other special courses of training, Annual Training, and when mobilized, etc.

Corps	Unit	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, etc.	Rank	From	To	Signature of Officers certifying correctness of Entries
Service towards engagement reckons from 7.0 SEPT 1914						
	11th (SERVICE) Bn. RIFLE BRIGADE.	<i>Posted Rfm</i>		21 SEPT 1914	24 SEPT 1914	<i>P. J. Caldwell</i> for Capt ADJUTANT, 11th (SERVICE) Bn. RIFLE BRIGADE.
		<i>Promoted</i>	<i>Sergeant</i>	<i>10.9.14</i>		
		<i>appointed</i>	<i>of C. S. M.</i>	<i>21.9.14</i>		<i>J. L. Berona</i> Capt ADJUTANT, 11th (SERVICE) Bn. RIFLE BRIGADE.
		<i>Posted</i>	<i>Cdr.</i>	<i>19.3.15.</i>		<i>J. L. Berona</i> Capt ADJUTANT, 11th (SERVICE) Bn. RIFLE BRIGADE.
		<i>Promoted</i>	<i>H. O. C. S.</i>	<i>29.1.15</i>		<i>J. L. Berona</i> Capt ADJUTANT, 11th (SERVICE) Bn. RIFLE BRIGADE.
<i>TR</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>Transferred Discharged No longer physically fit for War Service. Para. 392 (xv) King's Regulations.</i>	<i>CSM</i>	<i>1.9.16 7.3.16</i>		<i>J. L. Berona</i> Capt Adj. 19 TR Bn

"Permanently excluded from liability to medical re-examination under the Military Service (Exceptions) Act, 1917."

DECEASED

Total service towards engagement in England, France, etc. to *7.3.18* (date of discharge) *3* years *149* days. CHARACTER awarded on discharge. *Very good 1st*

Discharged in consequence of *No longer physically fit for War Service.* Para. 392 (xv) King's Regulations.

The discharge of the above-named man is hereby approved.

MANCHESTER.

Signature *N. J. ...* Colonel
11th (SERVICE) Bn. RIFLE BRIGADE.

† In the case of Annual Training it will be sufficient to state "Present," or "Absent," and the year.

No.

Name

MILITARY HISTORY SHEET.

1. Service at Home and Abroad.

COUNTRY	FROM	TO	YEARS	DAYS	N.B.—The Country only to be shown—it is not necessary to show separately the service in the different stations of the same country. England, Scotland and Ireland to be shown under the general term "Home." For mode of computing Service Abroad, see King's Regulations.
Home	10. 9. 167	7. 3. 18	3	179	

	Initials of Officer making the entry
2. Army School and other certificates of education	
3. Passed classes of Instruction. †	
† This includes any authorized class of instruction, e.g., swimming, choregraphy, &c.	
4. Campaigns (including Actions) Medals and decorations	
5. Wounded	
6. Effects of Wounds	
7. Special instances of gallant conduct and mentions in public despatches ...	
8. Annuities	
9. Injuries in or by the Service	
10. Name and Address of next of kin	

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Wife Alice 38. Beramored
 Son Francis Joseph and Moss Side
 Reginald Edward 11/20 Manchester
 Edgar Gerald 7/20

11. Particulars as to Marriage	(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow, (b) place and date of marriage, (c) name of officiating Minister, or Registrar, and (d) names of two witnesses				Date of being placed on Married Roll	Initials of Officer
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)		

12. Particulars as to Children.	Christian Name.	Date and Place of Birth.	Where registered.	Date and Place of Baptism, and Name of officiating Minister.

NOTE.—These entries are to be made from time to time as they occur, and initialed by the Officer making the entry.
 † To be ruled through (a) in the case of a Soldier, married without leave whilst serving with the Colours, who desires the entry to be made;
 (b) when a Soldier is married whilst in the Reserve.

Description of Edward H. Jones on Enlistment.

Height <u>5 ft 6 in</u> Weight <u>161 lbs</u> Chest <u>34 in</u> Range of expansion <u>2 in</u> Eyes <u>Blue</u> Hair <u>Brown</u>		Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease. (Should the Medical Officer be of opinion that the recruit has served before, he will, unless the man acknowledges to any previous service, attach a slip to that effect, for the information of the approving Officer.) <u>Scar over left eye + left cheek</u>
Church of England <u>Yes</u> Presbyterian <u>—</u> Wesleyan <u>—</u> Baptist or Congregationalist <u>—</u> Other Protestants (Denomination to be stated) <u>—</u> Roman Catholic <u>—</u> Jewish <u>—</u>		

Certificate of Medical Examination.

I have examined the above-named recruit and find that he does not present any of the causes of rejection specified in the Regulations for the Army Medical Service.

He can see at 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 that he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him* fit for the Army Reserve.

Date Sep 10 1914 W. A. Helm. M. B.

Place Manchester

* Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

Medical Officer.

NOTE—Should the Medical Officer consider the recruit unfit, he will fill in the foregoing Certificate only in the case of those who have been so stated, and will briefly state below the cause of unfitness:—

Certificate of Primary Military Examination.

I hereby certify that the above-named recruit was inspected by me, and I consider him fit for service in the Rifle Brigade and that due care has been exercised in his enlistment.

Date Sep 10 1914 W. A. Helm. M. B.

Place Manchester Captn R.O. Recruiting Officer.

* Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

† Insert the "Regiment" or "Corps."

Certificate of Approving Officer.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the Rifle Brigade.

If enlisted by special authority, Army Form B. 203 (or other authority for the enlistment) will be attached to the original attestation.

Date Sep 10 1914 W. A. Helm. M. B.

Place Manchester Captn R.O. Approving Officer.

* The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the recruit.

† Here insert the "Corps" for which the recruit has been enlisted.

MILITARY HISTORY SHEET.

1. Service at Home and Abroad (including former service of re-enlisted men, when allowed to reckon towards U. C. Pay or Pensions)

COUNTRY	FROM	TO	YEARS	DAYS
Home	10.9.14	7.3.18	3	179

N.B.—The Country only to be shown—it is not necessary to show separately the service in the different stations of the same Country. England, Scotland and Ireland to be shown under the general term "Home."

For mode of computing Service abroad, see King's Regulations.

2. Whether educated at (Applies only to Boys) Name of School to be stated. Duke of York's Royal Military School, Royal Hibernian Military School, Queen Victoria School, Industrial School under Home Office or Local Government Board

3. Army School and other certificates of education ...

4. Passed classes of Instruction†

5. Campaigns ... (Including Actions)

6. Wounded ...

7. Effect of wounds ...

8. Special instances of gallant conduct & mentions in public despatches

9. Medals, decorations and annuities ...

10. Character assessed under para. 418, King's Regulations ...

11. Injuries in or by the service ...

11(a). Extract from R.F.B. 179a—
 (i) Nature of the disability ...
 (ii) Whether the disability is permanent ...
 (iii) Whether it is clearly attributable to, or aggravated by, service during the war or climate in pre-war service ...

12. Name and Address of next of kin ...

Name of Medal | Class

Initials of Officer making the entry.

13. Particulars as to Marriage

(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow, (b) place and date of marriage, (c) name of officiating Minister or Registrar, and (d) names of two witnesses.

(a) Alice Sexton Spinster (b) Ch. of Hay Rvt. Donald Hannell Stranohire (c) (d)

23.2.95

14. Particulars as to Children

Christian Names | Date and Place of Birth | Date and Place of Baptism, and Name of officiating Minister

Reginald Oliver 3.3.03 Mullingar 1897

Edgar Gerard 10.3.07

Francis Joseph 13.6.97 Longford

* To be ruled through (a) in the case of a soldier married without leave whilst serving with the Colours, who desires the entry to be made; (b) when a soldier is married whilst in the service.

SHORT SERVICE.

ATTESTATION OF

No. 7948 Name Edwin Boniface
 Corps 1st Buffs
 Joined at Hemel Hempstead
 on 20 January 1886



Questions to be put to the recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your Name? Edwin Boniface
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? Salisbury in or near the Town of Salisbury in the County of Wiltshire
3. Are you a British Subject? yes
4. Do you know your Age? yes
5. What is your Age? (You are warned that if you give a false answer to this question you are liable to be severely punished) 19 Years 0 Months
6. What is your Trade or Calling? Laborer
7. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? if so, where? no
8. Have you resided out of your Father's house for three years continuously in the same place, or occupied a house or land of the yearly value of £10 for one year, and paid rates for the same, and, in either case, if so, state where? no
9. Are you Married? no
10. Have you ever been Convicted by the Civil Power? no
11. Have you ever been discharged from any part of Her 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? (You are warned that there is a special provision in the Army Act which renders you liable to heavy Punishment if you make a false answer to this question). no
12. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in Her Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, or Royal Navy? If so state which and cause of discharge. no
13. Do you now belong to the Volunteers, or to the Naval Artillery Volunteers? or to the Royal Naval Reserve Force? no
14. Have you truly stated the whole, if any, of your previous Service? yes
15. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for Her Majesty's Service? no
16. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? yes
17. For what Corps are you willing to be enlisted, or are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? 1st Buffs
18. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? yes (Name Edwin Boniface Corps 1st Buffs)
19. Are you willing to serve for the term of twelve Years, provided Her Majesty should so long require your services, for the first seven years in Army Service, and for the remaining five years in the 1st Class of the Army Reserve, or if, at the termination of such period of Army Service, you are serving beyond the seas, then for the first eight years in Army Service, and for the remaining four years in the 1st Class of the Army Reserve? yes
20. Are you aware, that, if at the expiration of the above-mentioned term of Army Service, whether of seven or eight years, a state of war exists, you will be liable, if so directed by the competent Military Authority to serve in Army Service for a further term, not exceeding 12 months? yes
21. Are you aware that, if at the expiration of the above-mentioned terms of Army Service, you are so required by a proclamation from Her Majesty in case of imminent national danger or great emergency, you may be required to serve in Army Service so as to complete your term of 12 years, and for a further period not exceeding 12 months? yes
22. Are you aware that, if the above-mentioned term of 12 years expires while you are on service with the Regular Forces beyond the seas, or while a state of war exists with a Foreign Power, or while Soldiers in the Reserves are required by proclamation to continue in or re-enter upon Army Service, you will be liable to serve for a further period not exceeding 12 months? yes

I, Edwin Boniface do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.
Edwin Boniface Signature of Recruit. Henry Frank Wilkins Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Edwin Boniface do make Oath, that I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to Her Majesty, Her Heirs, and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend Her Majesty, Her Heirs, and Successors, in Person, Crown, and Dignity against all enemies, and will observe and obey all orders of Her Majesty, Her Heirs, and Successors, and of the Generals and Officers set over me. So help me God.
 Witness my hand. Edwin Boniface Signature of Recruit. Henry Frank Wilkins Signature of Witness.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

The Recruit above-named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.
 The above questions were then read to the recruit 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, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and oath before me at Salisbury on this 17 day of January 1886.
[Signature] Signature of the Justice

If any alteration is required on this page of the Attestation, a Justice of the Peace should be requested to make it and initial the alteration under Section 80 (c) Army Act, 1881.
 The Recruit should, if he require it, receive a copy of the Declaration on Army Form B. 265.

* If so, the Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former Service, and to produce, if possible, his Discharge Certificate, which should be returned to him on re-enlistment, accompanied and endorsed on the (Date) re-enlisted in the (Regiment)

Description of Edwin Boniface on Enlistment.

Age physically equivalent to } <u>19</u> years <u>2</u> months.	* Distinctive Marks.
Height <u>5</u> feet <u>5 1/2</u> inches.	
Weight <u>128</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement <u>33</u> inches.	
Complexion <u>Flesh</u>	
Eyes <u>Brown</u>	
Hair <u>Dark Brown</u>	
Religious denomination <u>Ch. of England</u>	

Norm.—Civilian Medical Practitioners on making the primary examination of a recruit are to enter the above particulars in pencil only.
 * To be determined according to the instructions given at para. 985 of the Medical Regulations, and to be filled in in all cases.
 † A Civilian Medical Practitioner is not required to fill this in.
 ‡ Should the Medical Officer be of opinion that the recruit has served before, he will (unless the man acknowledges to any previous service) make a note to that effect in the column for distinctive marks.

CERTIFICATE OF PRIMARY MEDICAL EXAMINATION—(by a Civilian Medical Practitioner.)

I have examined the above-named Recruit 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 at 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 service in the Army.
 I have filled up the above "Description" in pencil.

Date _____
 Place _____ } *Civil Medical Practitioner.*

Norm.—This Certificate should be left blank when the Recruit is examined in the first instance by an Approving Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF FINAL MEDICAL EXAMINATION—(by an Approving Medical Officer.)

Examined by me in accordance with above Certificate, I consider him* fit for the Army.
 I have completed the above Description in ink.

Date 18th January 1886 } *Surgeon, Approving Medical Officer.*
 Place Brighton } *Acting Surgeon M. Staff.*

* Insert here "fit," or "unfit."

Norm.—Should the Approving Medical Officer consider the recruit unfit, he will state here briefly the cause of unfitness.

Certificate of Primary Military Examination.

I hereby certify that the above-named recruit was inspected by me, and I consider him fit for Her Majesty's Service, and that I have examined this Attestation and find it properly filled up. I also certify that George Arother was the bona fide bringer of this Recruit.

Date 20 January 1886 } *Recruiting Officer.*
 Place Chester } *The Hon. Col. J. W. Royal Sussex Regt.*

* Norm.—Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

Certificate of Approving Field Officer.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named recruit is correct, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to The Rifle Brigade
 If enlisted by special authority, number and date to be here quoted

Date 20 January 1886 } *Approving Field Officer.*
 Place Chester } *Col. J. W. 35th Regt. British*

STATEMENT of the SERVICES of No. *4948*

Name *S. J. ...*

Corps in which served	Battn. or Depot	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Period of Service in each Rank		Amount of Service towards Lim. Engagt.		Amount of Service for fixing rate of Pension		Amount of Service towards G. C. Pay	
				From	To	years	days	years	days	years	days
<i>R. B.</i>		<i>Attended Plc.</i>		<i>18.1.86</i>	<i>3.1.87</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>357</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>357</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>357</i>
<i>Co 4th</i>		<i>Sorted 4.1.87</i>		<i>4.1.87</i>	<i>16.6.89</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>164</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>164</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>164</i>
		<i>by Lt. Col. at 1st 10/1/88</i>									
		<i>Appointed Cpl.</i>		<i>17.6.89</i>							

Total Service as above ...

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

Paymaster,
or Officer Commanding.

Further Service from the _____ to the _____ when finally discharged ...

Total Service allowed to reckon to the day of final discharge...

MILITARY HISTORY SHEET.

1. Service at Home and Abroad (including former service of re-enlisted men, when allowed to reckon towards G. C. P. or Pension)

COUNTRY	FROM	TO	YEARS	DAYS
Home	18 Jan 86	1 Jan 87		361
India	4 Jan 87	12. 88	1	335
Burma	28. 1. 90		1	55
Home	29. 1. 90	31. 3. 08	18	63
Total			22	44

N.B.—The Country only to be shown—it is not necessary to show separately the service in the different stations of same country. England, Scotland, and Ireland to be shown under the general term "Home."
For mode of computing Foreign Service, see Sec. XIX, Queen's Regulations.

2. Educated at	Royal Military Asylum Royal Hibernian Military School	Initials of Officer making the Entry
3. Name and Address of Next of Kin	Father Edwin Boniface 1 High Street Pahleau, Sussex	W.
4. Campaigns	Burma 1884-89	CF
5. Wounded		
6. Effects of Wounds		
7. Special instances of gallant conduct		
8. Medals, decorations, and annuities	India Medal 1854 with clasp Burma 1884-89 - 24 th April 1891. Awarded Class Burma 1889-92 H. G. G. Medal for L. Service & Good Conduct. A.O. 1. 28. 1905	CF H. G. G. W. J. G.
9. Injuries in or by the Service		
10. Married	Married on 23. 2. 95 Alice Sactors Church of Our Lady St Joseph Hanwell 23. February 1895	H. G. G. W. J. G.
11. Passed Classes of Instruction	For promotion to Sergeant 5 th May 1899 Sergeant Instructor of Rifles Det. 9. 95 Staffing magazine Rifles of Infantry 1-9-06.	H. G. G. W. J. G.
12. Certificates of Education	4 th Class Det. 2. 86 3 rd Class 29. 10. 89 2 nd Class 16. 3. 90 H. G. G.	H. G. G. W. J. G.
13. Character on being passed to Reserve	On 1st transfer ✓ On 2nd transfer ✓	
14. Numerical position on roll of Non-Commissioned Officers on transfer to the Reserve		
15. Character on being Discharged	Exemplary	W. J. G.
16. Place of Discharge	Mullingar	W. J. G.
17. Intended place of Residence on Discharge	176 th Waterloo St Rushholme, near Manchester.	W. J. G.
18. Cause of Discharge	Termination of Engagement for 24 days leave	W. J. G.
19. Pension awarded		
20. Notes		

Thomas Boniface

Corps in which served.	Batta or Depot.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank.	Dates.	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of Pension.		Service in Honors not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay.		Signature of Officer certifying correctness of Entries.
					years.	days.	years.	days.	
		<i>Service towards limited engagement reckons from</i>		<i>18 June '96</i>					<i>W. H. J. [Signature]</i> Adjutant 4th Bn. Rifle Brigade.
	<i>Rifle Bde 4</i>	<i>Promoted</i>		<i>17 Aug '91</i>					<i>W. H. J. [Signature]</i> Lieut. 4th Bn. Rifle Brigade.
	<i>do</i>	<i>Appointed</i>	<i>Adj. Surg.</i>	<i>18 Dec '91</i>					<i>H. G. Majendie [Signature]</i> Adjutant 4th Bn. Rifle Brigade.
	<i>do</i>	<i>Promoted</i>	<i>Lieut.</i>	<i>24. 11. 95</i>					<i>H. G. Majendie [Signature]</i> Adjutant 4th Bn. Rifle Brigade.
		<i>Re-engaged to complete 21 years with the colors subject to Batta of 19. 9. 95</i>							
	<i>do</i>	<i>6th</i>	<i>Private</i>	<i>Sergt.</i>	<i>20. 9. 95</i>				<i>W. H. J. [Signature]</i> Adjutant, 4th Bn. Rifle Brigade.
	<i>do</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Elected to come under Regulations of A.O. 65 May 1898 from 1. Apr. 1898.</i>						<i>H. G. Majendie [Signature]</i> Adj. 6 Bn. R. Bde.
		<i>Boniface</i>	<i>Sergt.</i>						
	<i>do</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Promoted</i>	<i>Cl. Sergt.</i>	<i>21. 11. 00</i>				<i>W. H. J. [Signature]</i> Capt. of 6th Bn. Rifle Bde.
	<i>do</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Granted Service Pay Class at 7th Class 1. 11. 04</i>						<i>W. H. J. [Signature]</i> Adj. 6 Bn. Rifle Bde.
	<i>do</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Permitted to continue in the above beyond 21 yrs Authy O.S. 6th Bn. Rifle Bde 20th 9. 3. 06. c/s 9-3-06</i>						<i>W. H. J. [Signature]</i> Adj. 6th Bn. Rifle Bde.
		<i>Discharged</i>							
		<i>Termination of c/s 31. 3. 08</i>							<i>W. H. J. [Signature]</i> 8th BATT. RIFLE B'DE
Total amount of Service forfeited towards pension, and not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay brought forward from the old Record ...									
Total Service forfeited as above ...									
Total Service towards Engagement to 31. 3. 08 (date of discharge) 22 years 74 days									

CERTIFICATE OF RECORD OF ISSUE OF GRATUITY FOR LONG SERVICE & GOOD CONDUCT



The Officer *Commanding Rifle Brigade*

The sum of £ *5* = - having been issued to No. *7928* *Co Secy*
E Boniface of *1st Bn Rifle Bde* on

account of a Gratuity for Long Service and Good Conduct on the occasion of his Discharge I have to request that the issue may be noted on his Record of Service in ~~Cork~~ Duplicate attestation the amount being shown as charged in my Account for *March* 1908

Please return me the subjoined certificate duly completed to show that this has been done.

Cork.
6 4 08

for *[Signature]* *Captn*
Regimental Accountant, Cork.

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