



SHORT SERVICE. (All Arms except Cavalry and Army Service Corps.)

(7 years with the Colours, and 5 years in the Reserve, or, if the man completes his 7 years' service with the Colours while beyond the seas, then for a further period, not exceeding one year, with the Colours, and the remainder of the 12 years in the Reserve.)

ATTESTATION OF
No. 8244 Name John Baird Corps Rt Hon

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 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?

1. John Baird
2. In the Parish of Abertoe or near the Town of Abertoe in the County of Forfar
3. yes
4. 16 Years 1 Months
5. millworker
6. yes. Father dead

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 a punishment of two years' imprisonment with hard labour.

7. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? if so, where? to whom? and for what period?
8. Are you Married?
9. Have you ever been sentenced to Imprisonment by the Civil Power?
10. Do you now belong to Her Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Royal Navy, the Volunteers, the Yeomanry, the Army Reserve, or the Naval Reserve Force? If so, to what Corps?
11. Have you ever served in Her Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, or the Royal Navy? If so, state which and cause of discharge
12. Have you truly stated the whole, if any, of your previous Service?
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for Her Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds?
14. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated?

7. no
8. no
9. no
10. yes 2 1/2 Royal Highland
11. no
12. yes
13. no
14. yes
15. Royal Highlanders
16. yes { Name John Baird Corps 22nd Royal Regt

15. For what Corps are you willing to be enlisted, or are you willing to be enlisted for General Service?
16. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you?
17. Are you willing to serve upon the following conditions provided Her Majesty should so long require your services?
- (a) For the term of twelve years, for the first seven years in Army Service and for the remaining five years in the First Class of the Army Reserve, or if at the termination of such period of Army Service, you are serving beyond the seas, then for a further period not exceeding one year in Army Service and for the remaining portion of such period of 12 years in the First Class of the Army Reserve.
- (b) If, at the expiration of the above-mentioned term of Army Service a state of War exists, then, if so directed by the Competent Military Authority, to serve in Army Service for a further period not exceeding 12 months.
- (c) If, at the expiration of the above-mentioned term of Army Service, you are so required by a Proclamation from Her Majesty in case of imminent national danger or great emergency, then to serve in Army Service so as to complete your term of 12 years, and for a further period not exceeding 12 months.
- (d) 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, then to serve for a further period not exceeding 12 months.

17. yes

I, John Baird 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.

John Baird SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

John Baird Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, John Baird 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.

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 Abertoe on this 3rd day of June 1901.

Signature of the Justice W. Gordon J.P.

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 50 (6), Army Act.

The Recruit should, if he require it, receive a copy of the Declaration on Army Form B. 205.

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