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MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No.

33804

Name

PRACY William Alfred

Unit

187 FAB 76th Regt.

Joined on

1 NOV 1916

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

What is your Name?

1. William Alfred Pracy

In or near what Parish or Town were you born?

2. In the Parish of Redfern in or

near the Town of Sydney

in the County of Cumberland

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

3. Natural Born

What is your age?

4. 29 yrs.

What is your trade or calling?

5. Carter

Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period?

6. No

Are you married?

7. Yes

Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) (The answer to this question shall not be constructed as in the nature of a will.)

8. (WIFE) Maud May Pracy
39 Rendwick St. Redfern
Sydney N.S.W.

Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power?

9. No

Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy?

10. No

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. Volunteers No

Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service?

12. Yes

Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds?

13. No

Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with Pay would reach eight shillings per day

14. Yes

Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small-pox and enteric fever?

15. Yes

I, William Alfred Pracy 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 three-fifths
wife and children

Date

1 NOV 1916

Signature of person enlisted.

* This clause to be amended where necessary and should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.



AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

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

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

I have examined his naturalization papers, and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date

1 NOV 1916

W. R. Hughes
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, *William Alfred Pracy*

serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from

1 NOV 1916

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.

W. A. Pracy
Signature of Person Enlisted

Taken and subscribed at **SHOW GROUND CAMP, SYDNEY,** in

the State of **NEW SOUTH WALES.**

this *twelve* day of **1 NOV 1916**

19 before me

do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me are true and correct, and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth.

W. R. Hughes
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 initiated by the Attesting Officer.

Signature of person enlisted.

This clause to be amended where necessary and should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

Description of

PRACY William Alfred

Statement of Service of No. on Enlistment.

Age 29 years months
Height 5 feet 6 3/4 inches
Weight 136 lbs.
Chest Measurement 34 1/2 inches
Complexion Medium
Eyes Blue
Hair Dark
Religious Denomination C of E.

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Scar over left nipple
Numerous Scar over front of Body
Scars on Both Knees
Scar below right knee
Scar back left calf

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

15 OCT 1916

Place

VICTORIA BARRACKS

Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

Capt. A. A. M. C.

Recruiting Hall.

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

1st Class 26 Rempts

Date

6th March 1917
Liverpool

Place

Commanding

B103F. 20.11.17

33884

Statement of Service of No.

H 59793

Name PRACY William Alf

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks
		From—	To—	
Recruit Rdly Sydney 7th Brigade	Private.	1.11.16		
9th Reifs	Gunner	2.11.16	17.12.16	
1st F.A.B 56th Rpts	Driver.	2.12.16		
March reinforcements. Dill and crew				
A 74 Embarked Sydney 10-5-17				
Disembkd Devonport 20-7-17 LR, 5741				
Marched into R.B.A. & back hill				
from Australia ex H.M.S.				
(274)				
R.B.A. proceeded O'Seas				
17.11.17 Nom R-11 To FRANCHHEYESBURY				
17.11.17				
13th F.A.B.				
Driver. D.O. 3.0.13.15.3.				
A.B. ex 55. 10.0.14.8				
arty.				
RETURN TO AUSTRALIA.				
Per Friedrichorak				
For				
Eng 8.4.19				
20.98/541				
20.112/144.8				
24.6494				
13.8463				
2.87370				
16.4.19				
Disch. 2 M.D. T.P.E. 4/10/19.				

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

Commanding

Service and Casualty
Form.

PART I.

23/7/18-3/18-12244.

(1) PRESENT UNIT	13th F.A.B.		
(3) Present Rank	Dvr.	(4) SURNAME	PRACY.
(5) Decorations		(6) Christian Names.	William Alfred. ^p _n

Particulars.

Paybook No 276459

(7) Date of Enlistment	1/11/16.	(8) Place of Enlistment	Show Ground Camp, Sydney, N.S.W.
(9) Age on Enlistment	29 Years Months	(10) Any subsequent claim as to age after veri- fication of Birth Certificate	Auth. C.R. / /
(11) Birthplace	Redfern, Sydney, Cumberland, N.S.W.	(12) Religion	C. of E.
(14) Trade or Calling	Carter.	(13) If Married	Yes.
(16) Date of Embarkation from Australia	10/17. 10.5.17.	(15) If an Apprentice	No.
(18)		(17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad	Aust. ✓
(19)		(21) Special Notification Card No.	
(20)			
(22)			

Nothing to be written in this Margin.

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Regtl. No.

SURNAME

CHRISTIAN NAMES

g
m
D

CASUALTY FORM—ACTIVE SERVICE.

Army Form B. 103.

33804

Regiment or Corps Field Artillery 15 Div March 1916
 Mental No 33804 Rank Driver Name PRACY William Alfred
 Enlisted (a) 1. 11. 16 Terms of Service (a) Duration of the War Service reckons from (a) 1. 11. 16

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

Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b)

D.902/6.16.—C.7516.—50M.

Report.

Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.

Place.

Date.

Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.

Date.

From whom Received.

1. 5. 17	OC 2700/2	A94 Hmas Marathon Embarked	Sydney	10. 5. 17	
2.		Disembarked	Devonport	20-7-17	45741 20-7-17
3 22. 4. 17.	R. B. A. A. Parkhill	Driver m/tn from Australia to A 74	England	21. 4. 17	20455 20/5/17 PR5943 13213
4. 17. 11. 17	R. B. A. A. Ncm R. C. II	Proceeded O'Seas To FRANCE X HEYTESBURY	STRETTON	17, 11, 17	LR10577 22/11/17
5. 20. 11. 17	A.G.B.D.	Marched in ex England	Rouelles	18. 11. 17.	A.X. 12670
6. 21. 11. 17	A.G.B.D.	Marched out to 5th Div Artillery	Rouelles	21. 11. 17.	A.X. 12748
7. 24. 11. 17	40 13th Fac.	Driver. T.O. strength & posted to 113th Bty	Field	26. 11. 17	B213 626/48 48/3898
8.	Adm. Hq. 13th Fac.	Leave from 1/12/18 - 1/1/19 On leave to V.K.	England France	15. 12. 18	626/104
9.	"	Rejoined so leave	"	6. 1. 19	626/107

- (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, Shoeing Smith, &c., &c., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

[P.T.O.]

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Place.

Date.

Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.

Date.

From whom Received.

2.5.19

Lt Col B. Fab

From 3/Bdr vice Spode. evac to Hosp

France

25.4.19

626/23

*10/098/20519
541*

10.

11.3.5.19.

do.

1st Bdr out for Rta Q53.

Therin

13.5.19

B313 226/35.

12.22.5.19

Lt Col B.

3/Bdr nrs To hug

22.5.19

4326/42/53

10/0112/14

13.23.5.19

no 5 Gp.

3/Bdr

England

23.5.19

LB 5350

14.

Adm Hdqrs

RETURN TO AUSTRALIA.

Per *Friedrichsruh*

For

Eng

136 1916 5/6 3/4
INSTRUCTIONS
2/10

Application to Enlist in the Australian Imperial Force

To the Recruiting Officer

(OFFICIAL STAMP)

at

I, William Alfred Pracy,
hereby offer myself for Enlistment in the Australian Imperial Force for Active Service
Abroad, and undertake to enlist in the manner prescribed, if I am accepted by the
Military Authorities, within one month from date hereof.

Postal Address

39 Randolph St
Redfern
Sydney NSW

Signature

William A Pracy
barber

Occupation

Date

10 Oct 16

(For Identification purposes the above space should be filled in personally by the Applicant.)

CONSENT OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS. (For persons under 21 years of Age)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I approve of the above application, and consent to the enlistment
of my ^{son} ~~ward~~ for Active Service Abroad.

Statement regarding Death or Absence of
either or both parents,

Father's Signature

Mother's Signature

or

Guardian's Signature

PERSONAL PARTICULARS.

Age 29 yrs. 11 mos. Height 5 ft. 6 3/4 ins.

Chest Measurement (fully
expanded)—

Married. Widower. Single.

34 1/2 37 1/2 inches

PRELIMINARY MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Decision of Medical Authority ^{(FIT for Active Service.}
~~(UNFIT for the following reasons:~~

Place

VICTORIA BARRACKS

Date

15 OCT 1916

Signature of Medical Authority.

I Concur

Place

VICTORIA BARRACKS

Date

15 OCT 1916

Signature of M.O. at Central Recruiting Depot.

CERTIFICATE OF RECRUITING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that I have this day provisionally ^{Accepted} ~~Rejected~~ this applicant for enlistment
in the Australian Imperial Force,

Place

VICTORIA BARRACKS

Date

15 OCT 1916

Signature

W. A. Pracy
Recruiting Officer.

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INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) Application forms received by Recruiting Officers will not be handed back again to applicants but will be passed direct to the Medical Practitioner, who will similarly return them to the Recruiting Officer, who will then forward them by post to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot to which recruits are instructed by them to report.

(2) If an Applicant who has been rejected desires a copy of this certificate, it must be completed in duplicate at the time of Medical Examination, and the word "original," or "duplicate," as the case may be, will appear on top of the respective forms. Both copies will be forwarded to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot, where the duplicate will be impressed with the official stamp and then returned to the applicant.

(3) Copies will NOT be made of any certificates of acceptance. The word "Duplicate" will be struck out of such certificates, and they will be sent to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot by post.

(4) Names of accepted applicants who do not report at Central Recruiting Depot within the prescribed time will be forwarded to the Local Recruiting Officer for information.

(5) When alternatives are shown on the front of the form such as:—

Fit	Son	Married	Duplicate	strike
Unfit	Ward	Widower	Original	

(6) Only those persons who fulfil the requirements in all other respects will be examined regarding medical fitness. These requirements may be ascertained by reference to daily newspapers and official posters.

(7) The Central Recruiting Depot to which accepted applicants from various places will be sent for final medical examination will be determined by District Commandants. Recruiting officers at outlying places will require to issue clear instructions to such applicants, informing them where and when to report, and will forward the application forms in time to ensure that they will be in the hands of the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot when the Recruit reports for enlistment.

Signature of Applicant	Statement regarding Death or Absence of either or both parents
Signature of Recruiting Officer	
Signature of Medical Practitioner	

PERSONAL PARTICULARS	
Age	Years
Height	Feet and Inches
Weight	Pounds
Married	Single
Widower	Divorced
Chest Measurement (fully expanded) — inches	

PRELIMINARY MEDICAL EXAMINATION	
Decision of Medical Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> FIT for Active Service. <input type="checkbox"/> UNFIT for the following reasons: _____	
Signature of Medical Authority	Date

CERTIFICATE OF RECRUITING OFFICER	
I hereby certify that I have this day provisionally accepted this applicant for enlistment in the Australian Imperial Force.	
Signature of Recruiting Officer	Date
Signature of M.O. at Central Recruiting Depot	Date
I Concur	

Spaces for identification by means of hand-writing.

P R A C Y

william Alfred

33804

March Rfts

Field Artillery

Surname.

Other Names.

Regimental No.

Unit.

PURPORT.

2nd. M.D.

AUTHORITY.

Embarked at Melbourne per A74 "Marathon" on 10/5/17

Dyr.

21/7/17 Marc. into R.B.A.A. Lark. from Aust. ex HMAT A74

LDN 34/12-17

17/11/17 Proc. O.S. to France via south ex R.B.A.A. Heytesb.

LDN 50/5-17

26/11/17 T.O.S. 13th F.A.B. ex 5th D.Art.

EEFO 48/4-17

PURPORT.

AUTHORITY.

WILL DETACHED AND HANDED TO OFFICER IN CHARGE, BASE RECORDS.

Co Jansin

S/Sgt.

No.

33804

Rank.

Driver

Name

PRACY

(Christian)

William Alfred

Unit

1st. F.A.B. 26 Rgt

My will is attached hereto.

(Signature)

William Alfred Pracy

Verified by

Locke, L

C.O.

33804 Pray W.A. 113th

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DATE

11/10/80

Base Records Office,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE. V.
S.C.I.

16. 10. 30

The Deputy Commissioner,
Department of Repatriation.

Sydney
REFERENCE No

R37500

DATE. 13. 10. 30

Base Records Office,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE. V.
S.C.I.

17. 10. 30

The Deputy Commissioner,
Department of Repatriation.

Sydney
REFERENCE No - R 82964 DATE. 14. 10. 30

Herewith documents indicated relative to the
service of the undermentioned ex-member of the A.I.F.

Reg.No.	Rank.	Name & Unit.	Documents attached.
33804	T/Bdr	Pracy W.A. 137 A.B.	FOR EARLY RETURN:-

B. R. Bard
A. F. B103

TO BE RETAINED:-

A. P.
A. F. D1.
" D2
Dental X

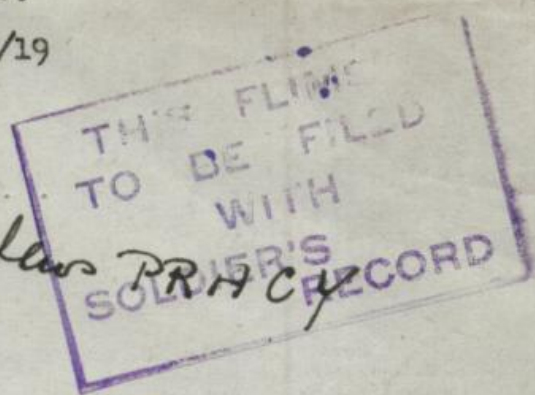
Miss.

T. ROBINSON.
Officer i/c Base Records.

33804 Dvr. PRACEY W.A. (2) 13th F.A.B.

Retd. F/Ruh 4/9/19 (TPE) & Disc. 4/10/19

BRM45/492



B. L. et al.

DISCHARGED.....4. 9. 19

M.D.....2

LIST No.....317 40

Transferred to

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 33804

T/Bdr

Rank

Driver

Name

PRACY, W.A.

Unit

13th & A Bde.

LIST.

Casualty

Deserted per H.T. "Friedrichsruh" embarked 8/7/19 Demobilised
Killed Lon. 15/7/19 Rec. B.R. 22/7/19

DL



DATE.

PURPORT.

187370

Returned to Australia per A. "Friedrichsruh". DB.
Disembarked..... 2nd M.D. 4/9/19 List 317

6-8-19

N.O.K. Advised returning to Australia. Form 7 and Card had

WAR HISTORY INDEX

27/9/19

"WILL" TO..... aa42 16/688

Discharged 2 M.D.