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**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.****ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD**

No. B4550 20213 Name DOWLING James Francis  
1300 Unit 1st Field Artillery Brigade  
Joined on August 6th 1915 B.A. Co. Div. 1, I.F.

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

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1. What is your Name? ...  | 1. <u>James Francis Dowling</u>   |
| 2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ...   | 2. In the Parish of _____ in or<br>near the Town of <u>Tarina</u><br>in the County of <u>1st Aust</u> |
| 3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ...  | 3. <u>N.B.</u>  |
| 4. What is your age? ...   | 4. <u>22 1/2</u> <u>with</u> <u>Yrs</u>   |
| 5. What is your trade or calling? ...  | 5. <u>Bank Clerk</u>  |
| 6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ...   | 6. <u>No</u>  |
| 7. Are you married? ...  | 7. <u>No</u>  |
| 8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ...   | 8. <u>Father</u><br><u>James &amp; Dowling</u><br><u>Minooora 1st Aust</u>                            |
| 9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ...  | 9. <u>No</u>  |
| 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? ... | 10. <u>No</u>   |
| 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. <u>No</u>   |
| 12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ...   | 12. <u>Yes</u>  |
| 13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ...  | 13. <u>Yes Rejected AIF Varicocole</u>  |
| 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 smallpox and enteric fever? ...  | 15. <u>Yes</u>  |

I, James Francis Dowling 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 <sup>wife \* †</sup> wife and children

Date 23. 7. 15J. Dowling  
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.



CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

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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 6 AUG 1915

*A. P. Coopes*  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

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OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

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I, James Francis Dowling swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 6 AUG 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.

*J. F. Dowling*  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Adelaide in  
the State of South Australia  
this 6 AUG 1915 day \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_, before me—

*A. P. Coopes*  
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 initialled by the Attesting Officer.



Description of James Francis Dowling on Enlistment

Age 22 years 4 months  
Height 6 feet 3 inches  
Weight 149 lbs.  
Chest Measurement 33 1/2 inches  
Complexion Fair  
Eyes Gray  
Hair Brown  
Religious Denomination R.C.

## DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

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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 23.7.15

Place \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_

Date 16-9-15 <sup>1.4.16</sup> ~~1.11.15~~

Place Atlanta Exhibition A.I.F.

### Commanding

Lieut. Col. ~~Col.~~

~~Des Depot Battalion~~

July 4<sup>th</sup> 1946 ~~W. A. B.~~  
P. A. B. 3<sup>rd</sup> Div. 1946 ~~5<sup>th</sup> Reinforcements~~



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Dowling J.F.

Statement of Service No. 73664

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Unit in which served	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of Service in each Rank		Remarks
		From	To	
"E" Coy D, CO. 2ND DEPOT BTL	Private	16.9.15	OCT 15 1915 OCT 15 1915 OCT 31 1915	
F. A. Reinf		1.11.15	27/12/15	2nd Batt Order. 90/2
F. A. Reinf	Gunner	17/1/16 17/12/15	31.3.16	
F. A. B. 7 th reinforcements. 8th of 188	QM Sgt	1.4.16		
B. 13rd Div 19th	Prom. Q. M. Sgt. (8th F.A.B.D.) Proceeding Overseas FRANCE (8th F.A.B.D.)	Eng.	1-4-16	21732/1595E 30/12/16
Date of last Payment.	France.	30/12/16	18.5.16	P/O N566E. 19/1/17 65911
8th A.B. 0/0 57/678-20.3.19				
D <sup>o</sup> " 77/1116-17.6.19				
Q.M.S. Returned to Australia for "WINDHUK"	Eng.	10.6.19		18th 446 LX6129. A 143293
Discharged 4th T.R.E.		3/10/1919		

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

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY.

G. Marshall

Major,  
CAMP COMMANDANT.



Entered on Index Card  
Notification made 66/11

REGISTRATION ALTERATION OR CHANGE OF  
ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN.

Reg. No. 20213

Rank

Unit

8th FA B Am. Col.

Name

Dowling J. Y.

N-O-K previously registered as (Relationship) Sister

Name

Address

To be now recorded as (Relationship) Sister

Name

James P. Dowling

Full Postal Address

Manoora S.A.

Remarks.

Signature or Authority H327/22/1 31/1/72

"Special notification of casualty" Cards are provided for notification purposes. Legal N-O-K only can be registered on Attestation Papers, in cases where an alteration of N-O-K is involved the reason therefore should be stated in Remarks Column.  
To be referred to "A" Records Section for recording on card and notification of all concerned.

Unit. To note and file with  
ATTESTATION PAPER

PART I.

202 11-3/18-12214.

Nothing to be written in this Margin.

(1) PRESENT UNIT	8th F.A.B.		(2) Regt. No. 20213
(3) Present Rank	Q.M.S.	(4) SURNAME	DOWLING
(5) Decorations	M.S.M.	(6) Christian Names.	James Francis ✓
<u>Particulars.</u> <i>P.B. No 112146</i> ✓			
(7) Date of Enlistment	6.8.15.	(8) Place of Enlistment	Adelaide. Sth Aus.
(9) Age on Enlistment	22 Years 4 Months	(10) Any subsequent claim as to age after verification of Birth Certificate	Years Months Auth. C.R. 1 1
(11) Birthplace	Perina. Sth Aus.	(12) Religion	R C
(14) Trade or Calling	Bank Clerk,	(13) If Married	No
(16) Date of Embarkation from Australia	20.5.16.	(15) If an Apprentice	No
(18)		(17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad	Australia. ✓
(19)			
(20)		(21) Special Notification Card No.	4357
(22)			



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Army Form B. 103.

# Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 31st Bty. 8th F.A. Bde. Regimental Number 20913  
 Rank Q. No. 1 Surname Dawling Christian Name James Francis  
 Religion Roman Catholic Age on Enlistment 22 years 4 months.

Enlisted (a) 6/8/15 Terms of Service (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of promotion to present rank 1-4-16 Date of appointment to lance rank \_\_\_\_\_

Extended \_\_\_\_\_ Re-engaged \_\_\_\_\_ Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_  
 or Corps Trade and Rate \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Officer i/c Records.

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 of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
	<u>Q. No. 1</u>	<u>Embarked ...</u>	<u>Melbourne</u>	<u>20/5/16</u>	
	<u>G. 7 Medic</u>	<u>Disembarked...</u>	<u>Wynmouth</u>	<u>18/7/16</u>	
<u>10/12/16</u>	<u>Larkhill</u>	<u>To C.E. Q. M.S.</u>	<u>Eng.</u>	<u>1-4-16</u>	<u>FRONT DO 23/16</u> <u>30/12/16</u>
<u>30.12.17</u>	<u>31st F.A. B. S.</u>	<u>Proceeding Overseas</u>	<u>SHAMPTON</u>	<u>30.12.16</u>	<u>ER 7130</u>
<u>1.1.18</u>	<u>Q. M.S.</u>	<u>FRANCE</u>		<u>DO 1</u>	<u>513.1.17</u>
<u>10.11.17</u>	<u>CO. 8 F.A. B.</u>	<u>5 days leave to Paris</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>4.11.17</u>	<u>29/58</u>
<u>17.11.17</u>	<u>Do</u>	<u>Rejoined from leave</u>	<u>do</u>	<u>9.11.17</u>	<u>29/59</u>
<u>16.2.18</u>	<u>Do</u>	<u>Q. M.S. leaves to England</u>	<u>do</u>	<u>14.2.18</u>	<u>627/92</u>
<u>9.3.18</u>	<u>Do</u>	<u>Rejoined before leave</u>	<u>do</u>	<u>2.3.18</u>	<u>627/95</u>
<u>21.12.18</u>	<u>Do</u>	<u>Q. M.S. full with leave</u>	<u>do</u>	<u>26.12.18</u>	<u>627/99</u>
<u>do</u>	<u>24.3.1889</u>	<u>Mentioned in</u>			
		<u>Dispatches</u>			

(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, Shoeing-smith, &c.  
 (119) 200 W 1002-531 C. I. & C. Co., Ltd. Forms/B1002.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE,  
Base Records Office,  
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

14/12/1948

The Deputy Commissioner,  
Repatriation Commission,

REFERENCE:

Herewith documents indicated relative to the service of the undermentioned  
ex-member of the AIF—

Reg. No.	Name & Unit	Documents attached
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Dowling J F  
82nd Abn Bn

FOR EARLY RETURN—

AF B103 ✓

TO BE RETAINED—

BR Card ✓

Attestation Paper ✓

AF B103

" B178

" B179

" B181

" D1

" D1a

" D2 ✓

" I 1237

A & D Cards

Dental X

V/D Cards ✓

*[Signature]*  
Officer i/c AIF Base Records.



Army Form W.3121.

Aust. F. Artillery 3rd Australian Division. 3rd Aust. D.A.H.Q.  
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

Action for which commended.

Recommended by

Honour or  
Reward.

31st Battery 20213 B.C.M.S. James  
8th Aust. F.A. Francis DOWLING.  
Brigade.

During the period Sept, 17th to Dec, 31st, 1918, Quarter-Master Sergeant DOWLING has rendered invaluable service to his Battery.

Throughout the heavy operations leading up to the cessation of hostilities, his unfailing energy and keen devotion to duty, often under trying conditions, was the means of keeping his battery in action at critical periods.

This N.C.O. has been with his battery ever since its arrival in FRANCE, and his consistent work being a fine example to all ranks.

"M.S.M".

(Sgd) W.G. ALLSOP Lt. Col.  
Comdng. 3rd Aust. Div. Arty.

(Sgd) J. GELLIBRAND. Mjr. Gen.  
G.O.C. 3rd Aust. Div.

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RECEIVED from the Officer i/c Base Records, Department of  
Defence, one Certificate for Mention in Depatches, London Gazette

No. 34039/217

*J. F. Dowling* (Signature).  
14/2/84

This slip to be returned to the Officer i/c Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, Victoria,  
within seven (7) days.

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QMS

DOWLING, J.F. (4) 8th FAB

Retd "Winduk" 19/8/19

( TPE )Disc. 3/10/19

A.M. Form. D.2.

*MA*

DISEMBARKED *18.8.19*

M.D. *3rd*

LIST No. *297 300*

THIS FLIMSY  
TO BE FILED  
WITH  
SOLDIER'S  
RECORD

*N.F.*

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S U P P L E M E N T A R Y   L I S T

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Nominal Roll of Members of the Australian Imperial Force returning to Australia per H.T. "CERAMIC" which left EGYPT 23/3/20.

N.B. This List is as cabled and is open to correction on account of mutilations in cabling and other causes. The whole of the names are to be given to the Press. (See cover note attached).

No	Rank	Name	Unit	Born	Attested	Embarked	Age	Trade	Relgn.
2nd MILITARY DISTRICT.									
1485	T/S/Sgt.	McLEOD, Kenneth Henderson	A War Recds.	St. Leonards Sydney	30.11.16	11.5.17	26/7	Photographer	C.E.
3rd MILITARY DISTRICT.									
--	Lient.	ANDERSON, Wm. Wallace	War Records.	Dean	Melbne.	28.6.15	19.7.16	27/5	Art Master Pres.
--	Major	GRAHAM, Chas. Morton	Canteens	Ascot Vale	Melbne.	8.2.15	8.5.15	30/11	Clerk R.C.
--	H/Lieut.	McCUBBIN, Louis Fredk.	Gen. List	Auburn	"	31.5.16	4.8.17	26/2	Artist
3065	W.O.	BERRYMAN, Albert Roy (MSM)	AIF Hqs.	Ballarat	Ballarat	26.7.15	29.9.15	19/8	Clerk Meth.

N O N   M E M B E R S

Mrs.                      ANTERSON.                      Mrs.                      GRAHAM.



KC

TELEPHONE :  
CENTRAL 3606.

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

## AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,

VICTORIA BARRACKS.

28th October, 1919.

Melbourne,

Sir,

Dear

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Fifth Supplement, No. 31370, to the "London Gazette," dated 3rd June, 1919, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by the undermentioned member of the Australian Imperial Force.

### AWARDED THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL.

HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Meritorious Service Medal to the undermentioned, in recognition of valuable services rendered with the Armies in France and Flanders:--

No. 20213 Battery Quartermaster-Sergeant J.F.DOWLING."

The above has been promulgated in "Commonwealth of Australia Gazette," No. 113, dated 6th October, 1919.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. J.P. Dowling,  
Mancora,

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

C.16165.

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B.S.

TELEPHONE:  
CENTRAL 3606.

## 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, 19th June, 1919.

Dear Sir,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Fifth Supplement, No. 31089, to the "London Gazette," dated 27th December, 1918, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by the undermentioned member of the Australian Imperial Force.

### MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES.

The following is a continuation of Sir DOUGLAS HAIG'S Despatch of the 8th November, 1918, submitting names deserving of special mention:--

No. 20213 Quartermaster-Sergeant J. F. DOWLING.

The above has been promulgated in "Commonwealth of Australia Gazette," No. 61, dated 23rd May, 1919.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. J. P. Dowling,  
Manoora,  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

C.8221.



*Noted to have Died A.I.F. Cemetery Trust of 12/9/54.*  
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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 20213

Rank J.M.A. Name DOWLING J. F. *"M.S.M."*

Unit 8th J.A.B.

LIST.

Casualty Relg to Aust Reg #7 Windhak. embarked 19.6.19.20  
C.I.B. 13522/63069 24/194m B.R. 3.7.19 Remd M.

Returned to Australia per A Windhak  
Disembarked 3 M.D. 18.5.19 Less 3000

DATE.	PURPORT.
<u>1 JUL 1919</u> <u>1919 TOP IT</u> <u>1.12.19</u>	<u>Form B 103 Received</u> <u>N.O.K. Advised Returning to Australia, Form</u> <u>M.S. Medal received, Sent to Comd't, 4</u> <u>M.D. B.R. 46/1353</u>
<u>4.2.20</u>	<u>Men. in Des. Certificate 31089/217</u> <u>transmitted D.R.M. 42/1937</u>
<u>30.9.20</u>	<u>WAR HISTORY INDEX</u> <u>Soldier 3242 B.R.F.506</u>
<u>3.10.19</u>	<u>Discharged</u> <u>M.D. 20</u>

