

ENROLMENT.

APPLICATION TO BE ENROLLED AS AN AUSTRALIAN MUNITIONS WORKER.

NAME IN FULL *Ernest Charles Batoon*
 Age *34* Married or Single *Married* Place of Birth *England*
 APPRENTICESHIP OR TRAINING *Royal Arsenal Woolwich*
Ordnance Factories

EXPERIENCE SINCE APPRENTICESHIP PRIOR TO COMING TO GREAT BRITAIN AS A MUNITIONS WORKER.

Employer.	Trade or Work.	Period Employed.	
		From	To
<i>Queensland Government Railway</i>	<i>Engine Driving</i>		
<i>Morts Dock St Balmain Sydney.</i>	<i>Munitions</i>		

Embarked at *Sydney N.S.W.* on S.S. *Arabia (Sunk)* on *30th Sept.*
 Disembarked at *London* on *November 21st*

EXPERIENCE IN GREAT BRITAIN AS A MUNITIONS WORKER.

Employer.	Working as	Period Employed.	
		From	To
<i>Messrs Vickers Ltd</i>	<i>Shell Boring & Setting</i>	<i>24th</i>	<i>11/16.</i>

I am at present employed as *Shell Borer* under Contract,
 with *Messrs Vickers Ltd* from *24th* to ..
 Address of Dependents or Next of Kin ..

Address of last Place of Residence in Australia *"Maryville" Brakinville Road
Newtown Sydney.*

Signature *Ernest Charles Batoon*
 Address *60 Rectory Grove Woolwich*

Date *May 21st 1917.* Removed to *26. Park Road
Plumstead*

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DEFENCE
W. 536/5897/1
CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

FEB 28 1920

MEMORANDUM for -

The Secretary,
Prime Minister's Department.

In reply to your minute of the 16th February forwarding correspondence received from Mr. E.C. BATSON, who desires compensation for loss of effects caused by the torpedoing of the s.s. "Arabia", I have to inform you this Department does not accept any responsibility in connection with the loss of tools or effects of Munition Workers not under agreement with the Commonwealth, and as Mr. Batson proceeded under private contract, this Department is unable to take further action in the matter beyond suggesting that he continue his negotiations for a settlement of his claim with the British Government.

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SECRETARY.

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14th. October 1922.

To the Hon. the Minister for Defence,
Melbourne.

DEFENCE.
W. 536 5897 2.

Dear Sir,

I have been instructed to place before you the case of Mr. E. C. Batson of 12 Claredon St. Armadale, Victoria, and ask that you assist us in getting compensation for this man and his family, through loosing the whole of his belongings whilst assisting the Empire during the time of the War.

Mr. Batson left Sydney in the "Arabia" on 30th September 1916, and was torpedoed on the 6th. November, loosing all that he possessed including money, and when he arrived in England he had to go into hospital for some time, and has in fact never recovered from his misfortune up to this date.

He has made repeated efforts to the Home Government, and the amount that he is asking for is a little over £300. I have visited him in his home at Armadale, and can assure you that this is a most deserving case. His wife has been in Hospital for some time, and has 5 little children, and apart from the justice of his claim for compensation (which is a strong one) it is necessary that immediate assistance be given to him, not as a matter of charity, but as a matter right.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter he received through Sir Howard Kingsley Wood, and if you can assist us in the direction indicated it would be conferring a great service on one so much in need, and who answered the call of his Country.

Faithfully yours,

O. Bryant

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To Mr Frazer

For letter to

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