



NEW ZEALAND DEFENCE FORCE
PERSONNEL RECORDS

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Record Title: John CHARTERS

Archives Reference: AABK 18805 W5530 0024318

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Tuesday, 25 October 2011

Unit: <i>1st Coy 8th Bde</i>	Rank: <i>Plt</i>	Surname: <i>Charters</i>	Christian Name: <i>John</i>	No. <i>8/3710</i>
Occupation: <i>Driver</i>	Religion: <i>Protestant</i>		Last New Zealand address: <i>707 Dufferin St Hastings</i>	
Last employer: <i>D. J. Doole Hastings</i>				
Name, relationship, and address of next-of-kin (if not resident in New Zealand, insert also name and address of nearest relative in New Zealand): <i>M. Charters 707 Dufferin Street Hastings (Mother)</i>				

MEDAL ACTION COMPLETE.

[B.R.—220.

Surname: *Charters* Rank on discharge: *Plt* Highest rank held: *Plt* Reg. No. _____

Address: _____ Highest rank held in theatre of war: _____

Casualty or reason for discharge: _____ Rank shown on discharge-certificate: _____

Legatee and address: *no will* Country resident in: _____
In the case of death, country next-of-kin are resident in.

Nominated next-of-kin, relationship, and address: _____

Legal next-of-kin, relationship, and address: *Mr W Charters (7) Bellaghy County Derry, Ireland*

26/SEP/1923

Decorations: Medals for Gallantry.	Authority.	Service Medals.	Date Medal Issued.	Service Chevrons.	Wound Stripes.
	<i>Australian: 1915-16 Egyptian: 1916 Royal G.P.: 1916</i>	<i>1914/15 Star British War Medal .. Victory Medal ..</i>			<i>Red. Blue.</i>
Certificates of Service Issued.	No.	Date.	MENTION IN DESPATCHES.		
	<i>Western European: 1916</i>		<i>London Gazette.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Date.</i>

Sick ... *Report by 90 No 2. O.C. Stu!*

*H.R.C. BR 1/2 Buried in Baillieu Communal cemetery extension
Grave no 2872.*

Killed in action ...

Died of wounds* 1670 London 21-7-16 died of wds. back. July 15th - 1916.

Died of sickness* ...

Missing ...

Prisoner ...

Injuries in or by the Service ...

Discharge ... Provisional: _____ (Date) Intended address: _____
Final: _____ (Date)

Pension ... *Advice medals sent to Mr W. Charters.
Bellaghy County Derry Ireland*

* Strike out words not required.

Service in N.Z. service:

N.Z. service: days

Service	CABLE No.	Date	Where Soldier located.	N.Z. service: days		Foreign Service:	Total Service:
				Years.	Days.		
...	et. 3 foreign	24-8-15	12.11.11				
		13.11.11	15-7-16				
		Died of wds. 15-7-16					

Wounds	CABLE		Where Soldier located.	Message and Remarks.
	No.	Date		
...	BR 1/10 No. 22	25-7-16	Rouen.	Adm: Ho 2 Cas. P.S. wounded 14-7-16. Since died of wounds.

Sick	Army Form 3/113	France.	Died of Wounds in the field France 15 th July 1916 Buried in Bailleul Cemetery Bailleul Report by HQ Ho 2. A.P. Str.	
			HRC. BR 1/2	Buried in Bailleul communal cemetery extension Grave no 2872.

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Died of wounds* sickness*	1670	London 21-7-16	died of wds. back. July 15 th - 1916.
Missing	...		
Prisoner	...		
Injuries in or by the Service	...		

Discharge	Provisional: _____ (Date.)	Intended address: _____
	Final: _____ (Date.)	

Pension ... Advise medals sent to Mr W. Charters.
Bellaghy County Derry Island

* Strike out words not required.

MILITARY HISTORY SHEET.

No. *43210*

Name: *Charlors John*

	Country.	From	To	Years.	Days.	Initials of Officer making Entry.
1. Service record ...	<i>N.Z.</i>	<i>24/7/15.</i>				
2. Certificates ...						
3. Passed classes of instruction† † This includes any authorized class of instruction.						
4. Active service ...						
5. Wounded ...	<i>Died of wounds (back) 15. 4. 16.</i>					
6. Effects of wounds ...						
7. Special instances of gallant or meritorious conduct						
	Name of Medal.	Clasps.		Date of Grant.		
8. Medals and decorations						
9. Injuries in or by the Service	<i>(Mother)</i>					
10. Name and address of next-of-kin	<i>Mary Charlors 707 Dufferin St Hastings.</i>					
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.					
	(a.)	(b.)		(c.)		
12. Particulars as to Children.	Christian Names.		Date and Place of Birth.		Where registered.	

J.R.

NOTE.—These entries are to be made from time to time as they occur, and initialled by the officer making the entry.

Intended place of residence on discharge: *N.Z.*

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES OF No. 93210 NAME: Charles John

Regiment or Corps.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Rank.	Dates.	Signature of Officer certifying Correctness of Entries.
D. Co. 8 th	Picked	Private	24/5/15	[Signature]
C. D. B. Coy	Joined Batt. (Special)	[Signature]	1/1/16	[Signature]
" 8 th Coy	Attached to	"	27.1.16.	[Signature]
	adon No 2 to as by Sta. 152-22-1550-1918.	"	14.4.16	[Signature]
	Died of wounds (back)	"	15.4.16	[Signature]
	Buried Bailleul Communal Cemetery Extension 10 Report	"	"	[Signature]
	Graves Registration Commission 29			
	Grave No 2872			

NEW FILE BEGINS

NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

[Form No. 1.]

PERSONAL RECORD of

LIVED

Registration No. 43210

(Surname) *Charters*

(Christian name) *John*

Army No

1st NZEF

8/3210

REGIMENT:

10th Coy 8th Rnpt.

GROUP:

NUMBER:

MEDAL ACTION

RF-TF

COMPLETE.

8th REINFORCEMENTS.

PREVIOUS PAPERS:

SUBSEQUENT PAPERS:



DECEASED

ELIGIBLE FOR MEMORIAL PLAQUE.

SERVICE CARD FILED

NOTE.

The E.F. 3a History-sheet, containing particulars of casualties, promotions, reversions, &c., is not attached to this file.

History-sheet is filed in Base Records Office, and particulars of contents will be supplied on application, if required.

17th October

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Mrs. M. Charters,
707 Dufferin Street,
HASTINGS.

Dear Madam,

RE- 8/3210. PRIVATE JOHN CHARTERS.

I have to inform you that the Official Army Form relative to the above named soldier, has been received from the Front, and the following particulars extracted therefrom for your information:-

" Attached to Transport	Moasi	1/1/16
" Rejoined Battalion, (Transport),	Moascar	1/1/16
" Attached to 8th Coy., Otago		
" Infantry Battalion,	Moascar	27/1/16
" Embarked for France,	Egypt	6/4/16
" Wounded, (Multiple gun shot wounds),	France	14/7/16
" Admitted to No. 2 New Zealand Field		
" Ambulance,	"	"
" Transferred to No. 2 N.Z. Casualty		
" Clearing Station, (Gun Shot Wound) In the Field,		14/7/16
" Back),		
" Died of wounds,	In the Field,	15/7/16
" Buried in Bailleul Cemetery,	Bailleul,	
	FRANCE.	
" Report by the Officer Commanding number 2		
" Casualty Clearing Station".		

Yours faithfully,



JA.

Miss Bunnings
grave

SM
Chief Clerk,
for Major,
DIRECTOR OF BASE RECORDS.

Entered on grave card
27.10.16 CMB

NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

PERSONAL RECORD of

Registration No. 8/3210.

(Surname)

(Christian Name)

Charters.

Pte.

J.

REGIMENT: 1st Otago Infty Battn.

O.C. 2 C.C.S. reports 14/7/16. GSW Back. Dangerously ill.

DIED OF WOUNDS 15/7/16. Back. 2068.

1ST BATTALION THE OTAGO REGIMENT

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps _____
 Rank Private Surname Charters Christian Name John Regimental Number 93210
 Religion _____ Age on Enlistment _____ years _____ months.
 Enlisted (a) 24.8.15 Terms of Service (a) Period of four Service reckons from (a) 24.8.15
 Date of promotion to present rank _____ Date of appointment to lance rank _____
 Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b) _____
 or Corps Trade and Rate _____
 Signature of Officer i/c Records. _____

Date	Report From whom received	Record of promotion, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 26, 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. 26, or other official documents
		Embarked ...			
		Disembarked...			
2.1.16	of NZ Base	Attached to Transport	Suez	25.12.15	
2.1.16	of O.S.B.	Rejoined battalion Transport	Maadi	1.1.16	Home Role
24.1.16	of O.S.B.	Attached to 3rd Coy	Masara	1.1.16	B213
6.4.16	of 1st Bn	Embarked for France	Masara	27.1.16	B213
16.7.16	of 1st Bn	Wounded	Egypt	6.4.16	Emb. Role
16.7.16	of 2nd Rgt	Admitted to 2nd Rgt 7th Div	France	14.7.16	Supp B213
		Transferred to 9th Coy	Lekefeld	14.7.16	136 1/2 1930
15.7.16	8th Coy CCS	Admitted to 8th Coy CCS	Lekefeld	25.7.16	136 1/2 1930
		<u>Died of wounds</u>	Lekefeld	15.7.16	Death Report
					GRC 12527 1/2 1936

(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.

SIRNAME: *Charters*Christian
names: *John*Rank on
discharge: *1st Lt*Highest
rank held: *1st Lt*Reg. No. *8/3210*

Address:

Casualty or reason for discharge: *Dead of wounds*Country resident in: *NZ*In the case of death, country next of kin are notified in

Legatee and address:

Nominated next-of-kin, relationship, and address:

Legal next-of-kin, relationship, and address:

Decorations: Medals for Gallantry.	Authority.	Service Medals.	Date Medal issued.	Service Chevrons.	Wound Stripes.
<div data-bbox="247 569 561 880" style="border: 2px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> <p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">FILE.</p> <p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">23 MAR 1920</p> </div>		<i>1914-15 Star British War Medal Victory Medal</i>			<i>14716</i>
					Red. Blue.
Certificate of Service issued.	No.	Date.	MENTION IN DESPATCHES		
			<i>London Gazette.</i>	No.	Date.

New Zealand	Entered on Active Service, N.Z.	Returned to N.Z.	Germany	Service ranks at	Days
24 8 15	18-11-15			NZ	81
		20 12 15		Egyptian	127
		19 3 16		E.E.F.	18
			6-4-16	(Wounded)	10 1
			10-7-16		
			(Died of wounds)		

[10,000/11/10-1956]

Service in N.Z. prior to entering camp: days.

N.Z. service: 81 days

Overseas: 246 days

Total N.Z.E.F. service: years 3 2/3 days

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NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

ATTESTATION OF

No. 320 Name: John Charles John Regiment or Unit D Coy 8th

Questions to be put to the Recruit before enlistment.

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|--|--|
| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>John Charles</u> |
| 2. Where were you born? | 2. <u>Londonderry Ireland</u> |
| 3. Are you a British subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is the date of your birth? | 4. <u>2 February 1892</u> |
| 5. What is your trade or calling? | 5. <u>Driver</u> |
| 6. Are you an indentured apprentice? If so, where, and to whom? | 6. <u>no.</u> |
| 7. What was the address at which you last resided? | 7. <u>707 Dufferin St. Hasty G.</u> |
| 8. Have you passed the Fourth Educational Standard or its equivalent? | 8. <u>Yes</u> |
| 9. What is the name and address of your present or last employer? | 9. <u>D.G. Dooly, Dufferin St Hasty G.</u> |
| 10. Are you married? | 10. <u>no.</u> |
| 11. Have you ever been sentenced to imprisonment by the Civil power? If so, when and where? | 11. <u>no.</u> |
| 12. Do you now belong to any military or naval force? If so, to what corps? | 12. <u>no.</u> |
| 13. Have you ever served in any military or naval force? If so, state which and cause of discharge. | 13. <u>no.</u> |
| 14. Have you truly stated the whole (if any) of your previous service? | 14. <u>yes</u> |
| 15. Have you been registered for compulsory military training under the Defence Act, 1909? If so, where? | 15. <u>no.</u> |
| 16. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for the military or naval forces of the Crown? If so, on what grounds? | 16. <u>no.</u> |
| 17. Are you willing to be vaccinated or revaccinated? | 17. <u>yes</u> |
| 18. Are you willing to serve in the Expeditionary Force in or beyond the Dominion of New Zealand under the following conditions, provided your services should so long be required: For the term of the present European war and for such further period as is necessary to bring the Expeditionary Force back to New Zealand and to disband it? | 18. <u>yes</u> |

NOTE.—Your discharge will not be granted before you return to New Zealand unless permission for discharge elsewhere be obtained from the G.O.C. the New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

I John Charles do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagement made.

Signature of Recruit: J Charles
Signature of Witness: J M. [unclear]

Oath to be taken by Recruit on attestation.

I, John Charles do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to our Sovereign Lord the King, his Heirs and Successors, and that I will faithfully serve in the New Zealand Military Forces, according to my liability under the Defence Act, and that I will observe and obey all orders of His Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, and of the Generals and Officers set over me, until I shall be lawfully discharged. So help me, God!

Certificate of Magistrate or Attesting Officer.

The above questions were read to the above-named 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 Duntham N.Z., on this 24 day of

Aug 1915
Signature of Attesting Officer [unclear]

If any alteration is required on this page of the Attestation, the Attesting Officer should be requested to make it and initial the alteration.

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Description of John Clouston

on Enlistment.

Apparent age: 23 years months
 (To be determined according to the instructions given in the Regulations for Army Medical Service).

Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease.

Height: 5 feet 10 inches.

Weight: 112 lb.

Chest-measurement: Minimum, 33 3/4 inches.
 Maximum, 37 1/4 inches.

Complexion: Swath

Colour of eyes: Blue

Colour of hair: Swath

Religious profession: Presbyterian

Medical Examination.

Sight: Right eye, 4c

Is he free from hernia? yes

.. Left eye, 4c

Is he free from varicocele? yes

Hearing: Right ear, normal

Is he free from varicose veins? yes

.. Left ear, normal

Is he free from hæmorrhoids? yes

Colour-vision: normal

Is he free from inveterate or contagious skin disease? yes

Are his limbs well formed? yes

Is there a distinct mark of vaccination? yes

Are the movements of all his joints full and perfect? yes

Is he in good bodily and mental health, and free from any

Is his chest well formed? yes

physical defect likely to interfere with the efficient per-

Is his heart normal? yes

formance of his duties?

Are his lungs normal? yes

Are there any slight defects, but not sufficient to cause

What is the condition of the teeth? Upper + lower perfect

rejection?

Remarks.

Y. fit.

Certificate of Medical Examination.

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

I consider him fit for service in the New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

16 July

1915-

P. W. Barclay

Medical Officer.

MILITARY HISTORY SHEET.

No. *9/3210*

Name: *Charlors John*

	Country.	From	To	Years.	Days.	Initials of Officer making Entry.
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2. Certificates ...						
3. Passed classes of instruction† † This includes any authorized class of instruction.						
4. Active service ...						
5. Wounded ...						
6. Effects of wounds ...	<i>Died of wounds (back) 15.7.16.</i>					
7. Special instances of gallant or meritorious conduct						
	Name of Medal.	Clasps.		Date of Grant		
8. Medals and decorations						
9. Injuries in or by the Service	<i>(Mother)</i>					
10. Name and address of next-of-kin	<i>Mary Charlors 707 Dufferin St Hastings.</i>					
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.					
	(a.)	(b.)	(c.)			
12. Particulars as to Children.	Christian Names		Date and Place of Birth.		Where registered.	

J.R.

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Intended place of residence on discharge: *A. Z.*

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES OF NO.

73210

NAME:

Charles John

Regiment or Corps.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Rank.	Dates.	Signature of Officer certifying Correctness of Entries.
D. Co. 8 th	Packed	Private	24/5/15	H. B. [Signature]
C.O. B. Coy	Joined Batt. (S/ser)	Pvt	1/1/16	O. D. [Signature]
" 8 th Coy	Attached to	"	27.1.16.	A. Hutchison
	Adm No 2 to as Sgt. [Signature] [Signature] 22-1550-19168.		14.4.16	J. Richards
	Died of wounds (back)		15.4.16	A. Hutchison
	Buried Baillif			[Signature]
	Commonwealth Cemetery			
	Extension 10 Report			
	Graves Registration			
	Commission 20			
	Grave No 3872			

MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname: Charters Christian Name: John

Examined: { On 16 day of July, 1915
 At _____
 Birthplace: { Town, Londonderry
 Country, Ireland
 Declared age: 23
 Trade or occupation: Driver
 Height: 5 ft. 10 in.
 Weight: 11 1/2 lb.
 Chest-measurement: { Minimum, 33 1/4 in.
 Maximum expansion, 39 1/4 in.
 Physical development: _____
 Small-pox marks: _____
 Vaccination marks: { Right: _____ Left: _____
 Arm, _____
 Number, _____
 When vaccinated: _____
 Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease: _____

Approved by P. J. Baucroft
 Medical Officer,
 Examined for re-engagement: _____ day of _____, 191____
 * Considered: _____
 Medical Officer, _____
 * If unfit, state disability.
 Re-vaccinated on _____ day of _____, 191____
 Arm: _____ Number: _____
 Result: _____
 Medical Officer, _____

Enlisted on 24th day of August, 1915, at Greatham

	Corps.	Regimental No.	Date.
Joined on enlistment	<u>D Co. 8th Ruff</u>	<u>8/3210</u>	<u>24/8/15</u>
Transferred to			

PROPOSED FOR DISCHARGE BY A MEDICAL BOARD.

Station.	Date.	Disease.	Result.

N.B.—This sheet to be disposed of in accordance with instructions in the Regulations for Army Medical Services on the man becoming non-effective, the date and cause being stated at the foot of next page.
 15,000/6/15—2869

