

S.—55 A.

(April, 1904.)

H.M.S.

Lauranga

Official No. if known.

Space to be left vacant
if not known.

A. N. F. 61.

Form of Engagement or Re-engagement in the Royal Navy under the terms of the Naval Agreement of 1903.

To be forwarded to the Accountant-General of the Navy with Form S.—52 (late S.—41).

Christian and Surname in full.

Present Rating.

X Alexander Abbott

Boy, 2 class

Date of Birth.

(Vide Arts. 343, 346, & 351 of the Regulations, 1899.)

Place of Birth and where Registered.

X 1 March 1884

Born
Registered

Christchurch

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N.Z.

Personal Description at the date of this Document.

Height.	Hair.	Eyes.	Complexion.	Wounds, Scars, or Marks.	Trade or Occupation.
5. 52	Light.	Blue.	Fair.	no.	Farmer Boy

Commencing date of
Engagement.....

1st March 1905.

Period of Engagement ...

Five Years.

Date of actually volun-
teering to engage
or re-engage.....

18 May 1904.

In case of re-engagement,
date and period of pre-
vious engagement

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Length of residence in ^{New Zealand} ~~Australia~~ immediately
preceding this date

All his life.

Declaration on Entry from Shore for Continuous Service.

In accordance with Article 346 of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions, 1899, the following questions are to be put by the Captain to the person about to engage for C.S., whose answers are to be recorded hereon:—

- 1.—Are you a British subject? Yes.
- 2.—Have you ever served in H.M. Navy, Army, Army Reserve, Marines, Militia, or in His Majesty's Indian Military Forces, or in any Colonial Naval or Military Force? If so, state which * ... No.
- 3.—Do you now belong to any of the Forces enumerated above or the Naval Reserve? No.
- 4.—Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's service, or discharged from it on that account? If so, state reason of rejection or discharge, and date No.
- 5.—Have you ever been dismissed from any of the Forces enumerated above No.

* Particulars of service in the Army, Army Reserve, Marines, Militia, or H.M. Indian Military Forces, or in the Merchant Service should be forwarded into Office with this Engagement.

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✓ N.P. 78/1905. Specially entered as Boy 2c altho over maximum age (17) for that rating in A.N.F.

Continuous Service Engagement or Re-engagement for Men in the Royal Navy, under the terms of the Naval Agreement of 1903.

Date 19

This is to certify that we have examined the person named on the other side hereof, as to his fitness for His Majesty's Navy, and we find as follows:—He is of perfectly sound and healthy constitution, free from all physical malformation, active, and intelligent; and we consider him in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service.

Captain or Commander.
Medical Officer.

I do solemnly declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the answers to the foregoing questions are true, and I do hereby agree to serve honestly and faithfully in the Royal Navy for five years from* provided my service should be so long required, as witness my hand this day of 19

Man's Signature, in full, or Mark.

Witnesses to
Signature or Mark

2.—CERTIFICATE FOR BOYS.

Date 18 May 1904.

This is to certify, that we have examined the boy named on the other side hereof, as to his fitness for His Majesty's Navy, and we find as follows:—He is a well-grown, stout, intelligent lad; of perfectly sound and healthy constitution, and free from all physical malformation; and we consider him in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service.

The consent of his parents or friends has been obtained in writing,† and they are willing and desirous that the boy should be entered for five years' continuous service from the age of 18, in addition to whatever period may be necessary till he attains that age; and the boy himself is willing and desirous to enter the Royal Navy under these conditions, as attested by his signature attached hereto, and declares that he is not indentured as an apprentice, and also that to the best of his knowledge and belief the answers to the questions on the other side hereof are true.

Alexander Abbott Boy's Signature, in full.
Witnesses to
Signature, in full
Lionel J. Parsons 2 boats.
Ernest H. Hawkins Ship's Capt.
A R Robinson Captain or Commander.
M. T. Blue Lieutenant.
C. C. Macmillan Medical Officer.

3.—RE-ENGAGEMENT FOR CONTINUOUS SERVICE.

To be executed by men who have not been out of the Service since the expiration of their first engagement.

The particulars indicated on the other side are also required when this Form is used

I, now serving as a on board H.M.S. who on the of 19, engaged to serve in H.M. Navy for a period of Five Years, under the terms of the Naval Agreement of 1903, do hereby engage to serve for a further period of Five Years from ‡ provided my services should be so long required.

Man's Signature in full, or Mark,

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Witness,
Captain.

* Insert the date from which the Engagement actually commences.
† The document conveying the consent to be attached to this paper.
‡ Insert the date of commencement of the re-engagement which must either be coincident with, or (when the re-engagement is antedated) earlier than the date of execution. Vide Art. 372, Cl. 4, of the Regulations, 1899.

Christchurch

May 18 1904

to Captain Robertson
H. M. S. "Surabaya"

Dear Sir

we received your letter
yesterday ~~re~~ about my
son Alexander Abbott
joining your ship I
am quite willing for
him to join and the
has my full consent
I have not the means
to get the birth certificate
but this the true age
he was born on March 1st
in the year 1885 ^{at Christchurch} that makes
him 19 years last March.
hoping Dear Sir that you

Take him I remain
Yours Truly
H. Abbott