

S.-55A.

H.M.S. "Pyramus".

Official No.

AN4965

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.-53.

Christian and Surname in full.

Richard Leslie Keeler.

Present Rating.

Ord. Seaman

Date of Birth.

5th October 1887.

Place of Birth and where registered.

Adelaide.

Personal description at the date of this Document.

Height.	Hair.	Eyes.	Complexion.	Wounds, Scars, or Marks.	Trade or Occupation.
5' 4 1/2"	DK Brn.	Hazel.	Flourid	2 Scars on left chin	Asst. Steward.

Commencing date of Engagement.

1st Nov. 1907.

Period of Engagement.

5 Years.

Date of actually volunteering to engage or re-engage.

1st Nov. 1907.

In case of re-engagement date and period of previous engagement.

Length of residence in Australia immediately preceding this date.

Native.

Declaration on Entry from Shore for Continuous Service.

In accordance with Article 346 of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions, 1900, 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.
- 6.- Are you willing to be Vaccinated or Re-vaccinated.... Yes.

Religion: Church of England.
 Can swim: Yes.
 Nat of kin: Father, 78 Church St. Newcastle N.S.W.

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

Date.....1st November.....1907.

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.

.....*M. J. M. J.*.....Commander.
.....*Adrian L. Forrester*.....Staff Surgeon.

I.....*Richard Leslie Keeley*.....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.....1st November 1907.....provided my service should be so long required, as witness my hand this.....1st.....day of *November*.....1907.

.....*Richard Leslie Keeley*.....Man's Signature, in full, or Mark.

Witnesses to*George Charles White* *Shap 1cl.*
Signature or Mark.....*G. Chiswell*.....1st Nov

78th Church St
Newcastle

Port. ["]Commander
H. M. S. Prometheus

Sir

My son "Richard Leslie Keele" aged 19 on the 5th Oct. last wishes to join H. M. S. Navy.

I am quite agreeable to his forming - I trust he may turn out a good cad to Fleet.

Yours faithfully
Geo. S. Keele

AGREEMENT RELATIVE TO DEFERMENT OF COLONIAL ALLOWANCE.

To be signed by all Men or Boys entered under the Naval Agreement of 1903, and on Re-engagement, and to be attached to Form S. 55 A.

Until the expiration of my Engagement, or until I obtain my discharge, if previous to the expiration of that Engagement, I do hereby agree to defer the withdrawal of my Colonial Allowance from the States Savings Bank, except such amounts as shall be approved by my Commanding Officer to be withdrawn for the benefit of *bona fide* dependent relatives, as

witness my hand this..... *First* day of *November* 190*7*.

..... *Richard Leslie Keeler* Man or Boy's Signature in full, or Mark.

Witness..... *Whitcomb*
Staff Paymaster.