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Port Melbourne

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(April, 1904)

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H.M.S. Psyche

Official No. if known { ANF. 1557
Space to be left vacant if not known.

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.
Edgar Horwood Victor Robson.	Ord. Sea.

Date of Birth. (Vide Arts. 359A, 360, and 361 King's Regulations, 1906.)	Place of Birth and where Registered.
13 June 1892.	Collingwood. Melbourne.

Personal Description at date of this Document.

Height.	Hair.	Eyes.	Complexion.	Wounds, Scars, or Marks.	Trade or Occupation.
5-9 1/2	Brown.	Grey.	Fresh.	Clasped Hands, KITTY, & Snake entwined around heart on left forearm. Lifebuoy, Sailing Ship & H.M.A.S. on right forearm.	Boy in H.M.A.S. "Cerberus"

Commencing date of Engagement.....	24 July 1910	Period of Engagement...	5 Years.
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Date of actually volunteering to engage or re-engage	24 July 1910	In case of re-engagement, date and period of previous engagement ...	
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Length of residence in Australia immediately preceding this date	Born & resided in Australia.
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DECLARATION ON ENTRY FROM SHORE FOR SERVICE.

In accordance with Article 360 of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions, 1906, the following questions are to be put by the Captain to the person about to engage, 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 * ... } Boy in H.M.A.S. "Cerberus".
- 3.—Do you now belong to any of the Forces enumerated above, or the Naval Reserve? } No. Discharged "at own request" 26 July 1910.
- 4.—Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service, or discharged from it on that account? If so, state reasons 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.
7. Can you swim? Yes.

* Particulars of service in any of these forces or in the Merchant Service should be forwarded into Office with this Engagement.

ENGAGEMENT OR RE-ENGAGEMENT FOR MEN IN THE ROYAL NAVY, UNDER THE TERMS OF THE NAVAL AGREEMENT OF 1903.

Date 27 July 1910.

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.

Alfred Montague
R. Hughes } ~~Captain~~
 or
 Commander.
St. Surgeon

I Edgar Horwood
Victor Robson 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 * 27 July 1910 provided my service should be so long required, as witness my hand this 27th day of July 1910.

Edgar Horwood Victor Robson Man's Signature in full or Mark
 Witnesses to } Oscar John Behrens, Second Writer.
 Signature or Mark. } George Charles Thompson, Third Writer.

2.—CERTIFICATE FOR BOYS.

_____ 19 ____
 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' 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.

_____ Boy's Signature in full.
 Witnesses to } _____
 Signature, in full. } _____
 _____ Captain or Commander.
 _____ Lieutenant.
 _____ Medical Officer.

3.—RE-ENGAGEMENT FOR 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.
 _____ 19 ____
 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. 393, Cl. 3, of the Regulations, 1906.

VICTORIA (AUSTRALIA).

“EXTRACT” OF BIRTH.

Office of the Government Statist,

RECORDS OFFICE, QUEEN-STREET,

Melbourne, 4. 11. 1909

Re Application Vol. 517 Fol. 19 (or Corr.)

Memo.

According to the Registers in this Office

Edgar Horwood Victor, son of
Charles Edward Ross
& Agnes Maud

M. n. " " Barber

was born at Collingwood

on the 13th June 1892

The official reference to the entry is No. 21967

of the year 1892

A. M. LAUGHTON,

Government Statist.

M^r Jos Davis

N.B.—The fee for a Search or Extract is 2/6 for Registrations made from 1st July, 1853, or 1/- for those made prior to that date. A Certificate of above entry will be supplied for an additional fee of 5/-. In all correspondence bearing on the entry, the Application No. (Vol. and Fol. or Corr.) must be quoted.

Uncertified “Extracts” of Birth are usually sufficient as proof of age for Assurance purposes, Examinations, and Appointments (Commonwealth, State, and Private), requirements of the Factories’ and Old-age Pensions’ Acts, and for dealings in the Titles Office, but for Legal purposes and for transmission to places outside Australia and New Zealand “Certificates” are necessary.

COMMONWEALTH NAVAL FORCES, VICTORIA.

H.M.A.S. "Cerberus,"

Williamstown, 26th July 1900.

Memo for

C. O.

H. M. S. "Psyche"

Edgar Robson, Boy.

has this day been discharged
"at own request" from the
Commonwealth Naval Forces.

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Staff Paymaster.

39 Albert Street
Port Melbourne
July 26 1910

I hereby agree^{to} my Son joining
the Navy

Agnes Robson
Mother

Agreement relative to Deferment of Colonial Allowance.

To be signed by all Men and 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... *twentyseventh* ...day of *July*19/0

Edgar Howard Victor Robson Man or Boy's Signature in full, or Mark.

Witness *M. J. Dowler*
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