

SERVICE
RECORD 2

SERVICE NUMBER: 2504

CITATION: | NAA: B2455, SHANG
CALEB JAMES
BP709/1, M15237 PART 1

ITEM IDS: | 4375409
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TRANSFERRED TO 47th Btn

~~45th Btn~~
~~48th Btn~~

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 2504 H Name SHANG CALEB JAMES "Q.M.M."
Unit 552nd Co Ball 47th Btn ~~45th Btn~~ ~~48th Btn~~ 45th Btn
Joined on June 5th 1916. 48th Btn

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. What is your Name? | 1. <u>CALEB JAMES SHANG.</u> |
| 2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ... | 2. In the Parish of <u>VALLEY</u> in or near the Town of <u>BRISBANE.</u> in the County of <u>QUEENSLAND.</u> |
| 3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) | 3. <u>BRITISH BORN.</u> |
| 4. What is your Age? | 4. <u>31 Years 10 Months.</u> |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>Clerk.</u> |
| 6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? | 6. <u>No.</u> |
| 7. Are you married? | 7. <u>No.</u> |
| 8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... | 8. <u>(MOTHER) MRS. JANE SHANG</u>
<u>CAIRNS</u>
<u>QUEENSLAND.</u> |
| 9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... | 9. <u>No.</u> |
| 10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? | 10. <u>No.</u> |
| 11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge | 11. <u>No.</u> |
| 12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? | 12. <u>Yes.</u> |
| 13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? | 13. <u>No.</u> |
| 14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)—Do you understand that no separation allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach eight shillings per day? | 14. <u>No.</u> |
| 15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? | 15. <u>Yes.</u> |

I, CALEB JAMES SHANG do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service or the support of my ~~wife~~ wife and children.

Date June 5th 1916.

Caleb James Shang
Signature of person enlisting.

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
† Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted 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 by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 5th. June 1916.

[Handwritten Signature]

Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*

I, CALEB JAMES SHANG. swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 5th. June 1916. until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So HELP ME, GOD.

~~X~~ *Caleb James Shang*
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at BRISBANE in the State of QUEENSLAND this Fifth day of June 1916, before me—

[Handwritten Signature]

Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

Description of CALEB JAMES SHANG. on Enlistment.

Age..... <u>31</u> years <u>10</u> months.	DISTINCTIVE MARKS. D6 D6. Small scar left forearm.
Height <u>5</u> feet <u>7</u> inches.	
Weight..... <u>112</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement..... <u>31.33</u> inches.	
Complexion..... <u>Sallow</u>	
Eyes..... <u>Brown</u>	
Hair..... <u>Black</u>	
Religious Denomination..... <u>Meth..</u>	

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz. :—

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 5th. June 1916.

Place B R I S B A N E.

James L. Stewart Capor
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him

to 5th REINE 52nd BATTN

Date AUG 25 1916

Place Rifle Range Camp

R. E. Siedel
Commanding 5th REINE 52nd BATTN

CASUALTY FORM - ACTIVE SERVICE.

Regimental No. *2504 a* Rank *Private* Name *SHADG Caleb James* *2504*
 Enlisted (a) *1st term* Terms of Service (a) *1st term* Service reckons from (a) *MM*
 Date of Promotion to present rank *1st term* Date of appointment to lance rank *1st term* Numerical position on roll of N.C.O.'s *(D.C.M) & BAR*
 Extended *1st term* Re-engaged *1st term* Qualification (b) *1st term*

Report.		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place.	Date.	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date.	From whom Received.				
	O.C. Troops.	49 "SeangChoon" (Embarked. (Disembkd:	Brisbane. Plymouth.	19/9/16. 9/12/16.	(ER. 6952) X
		admitted (N. G. S.)	Lampford St.	2/1/17.	D.O. 6/17 22/1/17.
3	22.1.17.	3 rd Dur.	transferred to (Munster)	Dartford.	22.1.17. 13/2/17.
4	22.1.17.	D.O.	Dir: to Perham Downs.	D.O.	5.2.17. 20.2.17.
5	11.2.17.	M.O. Com Dpt.	Marched In	Perham Dns.	6.2.17. E.R. 9650.
6	9/9/17	Officer Sect.	Proceeding Overseas FRANCE		12/2/17 AX 6434 1391.
7	24.2.17	13 th Opn Bn.	per S.S. "Invicta" via	Salisbury	25.2.17 D.O. 12/17 23.2.17 E.R. 24
8	27.2.17	4 th A.D.B.D.	Marched in	Etaples	B. 213 D. 5/17
9	10/3/17	4 th A.D.B.D.	Re-allotted to and pro. to join 47 th Battalion	ex Etaples	5/3/17 D59/10

(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) e.g., Signaller, Shoeing Smith, &c., &c., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties. [P.T.O.]

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Date.	From whom Received.				
10/17	C.O. 47 th Bn.	Taken on strength	France	7/2/17	B. 213 D. 10/17 20/1/17 20
		Re-allotted Regt No. 2504 a			D.O. 12/18 62
12	7/1/17	Rouhani Order No. 369.			20/48/5807
13	28-8-17	A.I.F. List No. 223.			Awarded the D. C. M. For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on numerous occasions. He acted as runner continuously for four days to barrages and fired swept areas, carrying water, food and ammunition to the front line. He attacked enemy's snipers in broad daylight and accounted for them. In addition to this, he constantly volunteered for dangerous patrols into enemy country, where he gained valuable information as a scout, and showed remarkable skill in improvising lamp signals in a very dangerous position whence he could send information to Battalion Headquarters. His conduct showed a never failing example of fearlessness, resource and initiative.
14	28/1/18	C.O. 47 th Bn.	Granted Leave	Field	20/1/18 B. 213 D. 15/18
15	16/2/18	C.O. 47 th Bn.	Returned From Leave	Field	7/2/18 B. 213 D. 15/18
16	12/5/18	Asst AQDR R.C. No. 24.	Awarded BAR to D.C.M.	France	AK 2622/118. 20/22/2853
17	1.6.18	C.O. 47 th (Plt) Bn. 3213	Transferred to 45 th Battalion	Field	28.5.18 D. 15/74 D.O. 26/3212
18	1.6.18	G.O. 45 th (Plt) Bn. 3213	Taken on Strength 45 th Battalion	Field	28.5.18 D. 13/74 D.O. 46/2725
19	1/6/18	C.O. 47 th Bn.	Det. to 12 th A.I. Bde	do	28/6/18 D. 15/74. D.O. 26/3176

Casualty Form - Active Service

Regiment or Corps *45th Battalion* "DCM" "Bar"
 Rank *Pte* Surname *SHANG* Christian Name *Caleb James*
 Religion Age on Enlistment years months
 Enlisted (a) Terms of Service (a) Service reckons from (a)
 Date of promotion to present rank Date of appointment to lance rank
 Extended (.....) Re-engaged (.....) Qualification (b)
 or Corps Trade and Rate
 Occupation Signature of Officer

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, 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.36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
20	8.6.18	Co. 45 th Bn 132 nd	<i>(Pte) Transferred to 48th Battalion</i>	<i>Field</i>	<i>31.5.18</i> <i>Do 27/312</i>
21	1/6/18	Co. 45 th Bn	<i>Taken on strength 48th Bn</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>31/5/18</i> <i>Do 27/312</i>
22	22/6/18	do	<i>Pte. Upd to 45th Bn</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>15/6/18</i> <i>Do 27/312</i>
23	28/6/18	Co. 45 th Bn	<i>Pte. Taken on strength of 45th Bn. from 48th Bn</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>15/6/18</i> <i>Do 27/312</i>
24	13.7.18	do	<i>Franked leave to XX Paris</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>9.7.18</i> <i>Do 27/312</i>
25	27.7.18	do	<i>Rejoined Bn</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>27.7.18</i> <i>Do 27/312</i>
26	24.8.18	do	<i>Pte. Wounded in action</i>	<i>France</i>	<i>16.8.18</i> <i>Do 27/312</i>
27	17.8.18	12 A.I. Sect.	<i>SWR Sec. Adm. + Upd</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>16.8.18</i> <i>Do 27/312</i>
28	23.8.18	55 C.C. Li	<i>do Adm. + Upd</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>do</i> <i>Do 27/312</i>
29	17.8.18	12 Gen. Hosp.	<i>SWR Sec. Adm.</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>17.8.18</i> <i>Do 27/312</i>

(2) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted in Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered in the appropriate column of the form.
 (3) Signaller, Shoeing-Smith, &c. (6396) W1, W1-89 300,000 5/18 McA & W Ltd. Form B/103 (E. 3109) [P.T.O.]

23/9/18

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, 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.36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
23.9.18	12 Gen. Hosp.	<i>Pte. SWR Sec. to AT. 24 for England</i>	<i>France</i>	<i>23.9.18</i>	<i>AK 2975/109</i> <i>Do 29/3886/19</i>
25.8.18	Bulliton Home H.A.D. Hosp.	<i>Pte. Adm. S.H. Sig. R.</i>	<i>Bonchester</i>	<i>24.8.18</i>	<i>WS 812</i> <i>HR 869</i>
23.8.18	H.S. B.S. equito	<i>Pte. 626 for England.</i>		<i>23.8.18</i>	<i>AK 3093/3</i> <i>27.5.17</i>
3.10.18	3 rd Aux. Hosp.	<i>Pte. Trans 3rd Aux. Hosp.</i>	<i>Dartford</i>	<i>3.10.18</i>	<i>NR 78</i>
17.9.18	400.24 Det 385	<i>Pte. Wounded. mil. Medal</i>		<i>17.9.18</i>	<i>AK 3089/139.18</i> <i>Do 29/3886/19</i> <i>Do 29/3886/19</i>
2/10/18	3 rd Aux. Hosp.	<i>Pte. Wounded. mil. Medal to 2/10/18. Report No 2 C.O.</i>	<i>Dartford</i>	<i>2/10/18</i>	
10.11.18	2 Com. Depot.	<i>Pte. Upd from Adm. Hqn. London</i>	<i>Weymouth</i>	<i>9.11.18</i>	<i>LG 9555</i>
		<i>Pte. RETURN TO AUSTRALIA Per <i>Donati</i> For <i>Rehabilit.</i></i>	<i>Eng.</i>	<i>10.12.18</i>	<i>LX 684</i> <i>13R 895/18694.2.10.12.18</i>
<i>Administrative Headquarters London</i>					<i>J. G. Hollaway Lieut. for Office of Records</i>

PR/GMP.

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BASE RECORDS OFFICE. A.I.F.,
5th January, 1918.

Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Third Supplement No. 30251 to the London Gazette dated 24th August, 1917, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by your son, No. 2504 Private G. J. Shang, 52nd Battalion.

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AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL

"HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Distinguished Conduct Medal to the undermentioned soldier, for acts of gallantry and devotion to duty in the Field :-

No. 2504A Private G. J. SHANG

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on numerous occasions. He acted as runner continuously for four days through barrages and fire-swept areas, carrying water, food, and ammunition to the front line. He attacked enemy snipers in broad daylight, and accounted for them. In addition to this, he constantly volunteered for dangerous patrols into enemy country, where he gained valuable information as a scout, and also showed remarkable skill in improving lamp signals in a very dangerous position whence he could send information to Battalion Head-quarters. His conduct showed a never-failing example of fearlessness, resource, and initiative."

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The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. 219 of 20th December, 1917

Yours faithfully,

Major.

Mrs. J. Shang,
Cairns,
QUEENSLAND.

Officer i/c Base Records.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

~~DCM~~
~~Bar~~

No. 2504^A

Rank Pte Name SHANG

(DCM) C. J. DCM (Bar)
m.m.

Unit 45 Pte 2240^E

LIST. ⁴³² Casualty WOUNDED

IBL 2789 & 2240^E dated London 21/8/18 Received B. R. 29/8/18

G.S.W. Pt. Reg. Adm. Bond - not stated Adm. 24/9/18 to Collection House
V. a. W. Weymouth W.S.M.L. 912/2276^K Lpd Lond. 29/9/18 Recd B.R. 3/9/18 was

Polg to Aust. per H.T. "Somali" embarked 10/12/18

C.S.B.L. 3083/5004^K Jctd. London 21/12/18 Rec. B.R. 23/12/18

} Invalid was

Died 6/4/53 Ampford Graves dist No 127 Page 4 of 22/17/53



Pt A

DATE.	PURPORT.
<u>AUG 21 1918</u>	<u>N. O. K. Advised Wounded</u>
<u>SEP 7 1918</u>	<u>N. O. K. Advised in Hospital</u>
<u>15 JAN 1919</u>	<u>N. O. K. Advised returning to Australia, Form <u>wt</u></u> <u>Returned to Aust. via port. A. <u>H.T. Somali List 183</u></u>
<u>17.2.19</u>	<u>Disembarked <u>8/2/19</u> <u>3rd M.D. for 1st M.D.</u> <u>Medical B</u></u> <u>D.C. Medal received; Sent to <u>mother</u> <u>M.D.</u> for safe keeping <u>BRM 37/1410</u></u>
<u>9/2/19</u> <u>8/2/20</u>	<u>Discharged <u>1st M.D.</u> <u>BA</u></u> <u>"WILL" to <u>1st M.D.</u> <u>M. H. 585/120n</u></u>

WAR HISTORY INDEX

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24 JUN 1953

R.15237 C.15614
JG.JS M.16

Mrs. A.L. Shang,
348 Sheridan Street,
CAIRNS.

Dear Madam,

I have to advise that the Repatriation Board has accepted the death of your husband, the late Caleb James SHANG, as being attributable to his war service.

2. You are, therefore, eligible to receive certain Repatriation Benefits in respect thereof, particulars of which you have already been advised. You have also been advised of the pension aspect of your case and in this regard my advice of 12th May, 1953, refers.

Yours faithfully,

(A.L.Gould) *AG*
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER.

Form 83A
(G.O.M. 41)

AMENDED.

HTG:HJB

REPATRIATION COMMISSION.

R. No. 15237

m13 23/11 m17
ENTITLEMENT CARD.

Name SHANG, Caleb James
(SURNAME IN BLOCK LETTERS.)

Regtl. No. 2504 Rank Pte. Unit 45th Btn.

ENTITLED TO TREATMENT (AT REPATRIATION EXPENSE) FOR—	NOT ENTITLED TO TREATMENT FOR—
<u>G.S.W. R. LEG (Nil).</u>	<u>ALBUMINURIA.</u>
<u>DEBILITY FOLLOWING TRENCH FEVER 1918</u>	<u>TRAUMATIC PSYCHOSIS.</u>
<u>PULM. TUBERCULOSIS (Clinical-Not proved).</u>	
<u>ANXIETY NEUROSIS.</u>	

C. Dewara

for Deputy Commissioner.

15 MAY 1953

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BRISBANE GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORTS.

Re: SHANG Caleb. Cairns.

~~24/1/44~~

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Age: 59 years.
Admitted: 22.11.43. H.M.O.: G.M.S.
Discharged: 14.12.43. at.10 a.m. in statu quo.
Disease: Psychosis.

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15 FEB 1944

Present illness; Will not talk.

C.E. C.V.S. H.S. clear, no murmurs. Pulse regular. B.P.160/
Resp: chest clear. Alim: Tongue furred, breath foul, no masses or tenderness.
C.N.S. N.A.D.
Provisional diagnosis; Psychosis.

Resistive, will not speak at times. Now sings his answers. Last night, lying on the floor - "swimming", very restless today. Food - has to be fed: Habits -

23.11.43. L.Puncture: Fluid emerging in drops; when patient sang, emerging in almost a stream. Flow then stopped - measurement of pressure unsuccessful. Fluid slightly turbid - to Lab. (A.Mc Intyre).

From wife; Accident 12 Oct. Motor cycle; unconscious for $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 day, and then developed his present condition. Mental disturbance for 6 weeks. No p.m.i?

2.12.43. Pyrexia, no pneumonia evident.

Present state since about 26.10.43, no improvement; restless; noisy, sings - talks nonsense, no violence, eats well, habits dirty, no improvement, for certification.

8.12.43 Not eating well now. Still talks constantly, sings etc.

13.12.43 Still as above. For certification (S.Julius).

30.11.43 BLOOD W.R. Negative. (J.V.Duhig).

23.11.43 C.S.F. (Cells and Chemistry).
Number of red cells present. Cell count equals 0.
Sugar present; slight increase in globulin. Cultured for organisms.
24.11.43 Culture sterile. (J.V.Duhig).

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
QUEENSLAND
- 4 FEB 1987
RELEASED PURSUANT TO F.O.I.

Memo from Dr.N.V.Youngman, Brisbane Clinic to B.G.H.
Would you please admit C.Shang to Ward 16. He arrived from Cairns yesterday. Apparently 5 weeks ago he was knocked down by a Motor bike and has been "mental" since. An Xray of his skull at Cairns showed no fracture. There was some bruising of the right temporal region. These are all the details I know and his relatives or other informants are expected down tomorrow.

6.12.43 I hereby give my consent for the transfer of Caleb Shang to the Brisbane Mental Hospital at Goodna. sgd.Amma L.Shang, wife of patient.
14.12.43 Transferred; to B.M.H. at 10 a.m.

Urine: one sample.S.G.1012, clear.

Y. Redden

MEDICAL OFFICER.
22.1.44



In your reply please quote Name of Estate and Number, or if you call bring this letter with you.

Public Curator Office,
Edward Street.

REPAT. COMM'N
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24-DEC.-43AM
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PS:

Brisbane, 23rd December 1943

Box 1449 T, G.P.O.

Re CALEB JAMES SHANG - T.

15614

24 DEC 1943

Sir,

I have to advise you that the abovementioned was admitted to the Brisbane Mental Hospital on the 15th instant and by virtue of "The Mental Hygiene Act of 1938", the Public Curator is the administrator of his estate. I understand that he was in receipt of a Military pension on account of the 1914-1918 War. His address, prior to entering the Mental Hospital, was 348 Sheridan Street, Cairns. At the present time, I have no particulars of his number or battalion and if you can trace the matter, I should be pleased if you would kindly make any pension payable to him, payable to the Public Curator on his behalf. His wife advised me that he had received three medals for distinctive service in the last War.

Yours faithfully,

R. J. S. Ban. At.

PUBLIC CURATOR.

Per: *R. J. S. Ban. At.*

The Deputy Commissioner,
Repatriation Commission,
Mary Street,
BRISBANE.