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W. O. Form 83.

HER MAJESTY'S — Royal REG. OF Artillery

Whereof H.R.H the Field Marshal Comd.g in chief is Colonel.

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[Place and Date] Woolwich 6 January 1875.

PROCEEDINGS OF A REGIMENTAL BOARD, held this day, in conformity to the Articles of War, for the purpose of verifying and recording the Services, Conduct, Character, and cause of Discharge of No 2579, Gunner John Gardner of the Regiment above-mentioned.

President. Lieut.t Col Farmer RA

Major R L Taylor Members. Capt. Huyshe

THE BOARD having examined and compared the Regimental Records, the Soldier's Book, and such other Documents as appeared to them to be necessary, report that after making every deduction required by Her Majesty's Regulations, the Service up to this day, which he is entitled to reckon, amounts to 18 years, 331 days, as shown by the detailed Statement on the 2nd page; during which period he served abroad 4 11/12 years, viz.

at Gibraltar 4 11/12 years,

in _____ years;

" _____

and further, that his DISCHARGE is proposed in consequence of being found unfit for further service

[Here state whether—Completion of period, at his own request, or as unfit for further Service. Or any other cause.]

With regard to the CHARACTER and CONDUCT of No 2579 Gunner John Gardner, the Board have to report that upon reference to the Defaulter's Book, and by the Parole testimony that has been given, it appears that

[Insert opposite—the man's Character, the number of Good Conduct Badges in his possession, and all Badges of Merit, or gallant conduct in the Field, conferred upon him; and if in possession of a School Certificate, record it and state the class.]

His Conduct has been Good
He is in possession of
two Good Conduct Badges

No record of school certificate

[Insert the number of times his Name appears in the Regtl. Defaulters' Book, and that he has been tried by Court Martial.

The charge, finding, and sentence, on each occasion, is to be recorded on a separate sheet, which is to accompany the Discharge Documents.

If never tried or entered in the Defaulter's Book, state so.]

His name appears 28 times in the Regt Defaulters Book
He has been 4 times tried by Court Martial

[If this man received Wounds, &c., in action, or other Injuries in or by the Service, although not invalided on account thereof, state here the nature of the wound, or injuries, and when and where he received the same, and if any Court of Enquiry was held, (as is required) state or annex the result.]

Never wounded

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No. 2519 Gunr. John Gardner being asked to what date he has been paid, answered, that his Account is balanced up to the latest period required by the Regulations; and being further asked whether he has any claim on the Regiment for Arrears of PAY, ALLOWANCES, or CLOTHING, answered that he has received all just demands, from his entry into the Service up to the 6th Jan 1875 except pay from 18 Aug 1874 to 24 Sept 1874 and in confirmation therefore, affixes his signature hereto. and also 1 pr ankle boots due Sept. 1874

I acknowledge this to be true. J Gardner

Witness W Taylor Major RA
Commanding the Company ~~to which he belongs~~.

The Board have ascertained that No. 2519 Gunner John Gardner's Soldier's Book is correctly balanced, and signed by the Officer Commanding his Company, and they declare, that they have impartially inquired into, and faithfully reported upon, all the matters brought before them, in accordance with the Regulations and Instructions issued by Her Majesty's Orders.

~~[Additional Paragraph applicable in cases of Discharge by Purchase.]~~

~~The Board have likewise ascertained that the sum of~~ ________, being ~~the amount required by Regulation for his Discharge by Purchase, has been lodged with the †~~ ________ ~~whose receipt for the same is annexed hereto~~.

[signature] Col. *President.*

W Taylor Major
[signature] Capt. *Members.*

Detailed Statement of the Services of No. 2519 Gunr. John Gardner

Regiment	Promotions, Reductions, &c.	Rank	Period of Service in each Rank: From	To	Amount of Service towards G. C. Pay and Pension: Years	Days	Amount of Service towards completion of limited engagement: Years	Days
R. A. 6 Bn.		Gunr. & Driver	15 Nov: 55	16 Sep: 57	1	306	1	306
	Promoted	Bombardier	14 Sep: 57	14 Dec: 57		89		89
	—"—	Corporal	15 Dec: 57	30 Apl: 59	1	137	1	137
5 Brig:		—"—	1 May 59	11 Dec: 59		225	"	225
	Promoted	Serjeant	12 Dec: 59	8 Aug: 60		240	.	240
	Tried Reduced & Imprisoned		9 Aug: 60	23 Aug: 60		"	.	15
		Gunner	24 Aug: 60	24 Aug: 60		1		1
Re engaged at Woolwich for 9 21/365 years 23 Dec. 1864	Garrison Cells		25 Aug: 60	28 Aug: 60		"	"	4
		Gunner	29 Aug: 60	9 Aug: 61		346	"	346
	Imprisoned by Comdg. Officer		10 Aug 61	11 Aug: 61		"	"	2
		Gunner	12 Aug: 61	19 Apl: 63	1	251	1	251
	Tried & Imprisoned		20 Apl: 63	21 June 63	"	.	.	-
G. C. Pay at 1d. 1 Mar: 60		Gunner	22 June 63	30 Sep: 67	4	101	4	101
had he not have been promoted		—"—	1 Oct: 64	26 Mar: 71	11 / 3	236 / 174	3	177
	Promoted	Bombardier	27 Mar: 71	13 Nov: 71		232	.	232
	awaiting trial		14 Nov: 71	16 Nov: 71	"	"	"	.
	Tried & Reduced	Gunner	14 Nov: 71	31 Mar: 73	1	135	1	135
Forftd. G. C. Pay @ 1d. 9 Aug: 60		Gunner	1 Apl: 73	31 Oct: 74	1	214	1	214
15 Brig	Transferred	—"—	1 Nov: 74	6 Jan: 75	.	67	"	67

Restored G. C. Pay @ 1d. 20 Mar: 71
Forfeited G. C. Pay @ 1d. 14 Nov: 71
Restored G. C. Pay @ 1d. 17 Nov: 72
Aword. G. C. Pay at 2d. 17 Nov: 74

	Years	Days	Years	Days
Total of the foregoing Statement	18	331	18	352
* Further Service from the 7 Jany 75 to the 9 Feby 75 when finally discharged		34	..	34
Total Service allowed to reckon to the day of final discharge	19	0	19	21

* To be erased, when not required, by drawing the Pen through the Lines. † Here insert Paymaster or Agent, as the case may be.

I have carefully examined the Proceedings of this Board in all its details and I find them in every respect correct.

E W Williams Col.
Commanding 15 Bde RA ~~Regt. of~~

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W. O. Form 954.

Royal Lancashire Artillery Regiment of Militia.

THIS is to Certify that Gunner [illegible] John Gardner who was enrolled to serve as a Volunteer in the Royal Lancashire Artillery Regiment of Militia on the 12 day of September 1855, is released from his Militia engagement for the purpose and upon the condition of his enlisting into the Royal Artillery

He will not, therefore, if he complete his attestation in Her Majesty's Regular Forces, and be finally approved for the same, be required to attend when the above Regiment may be called out for Training, or for Embodied Service, but otherwise this release will be void.

Given under my hand,
this 8 day of December 1855.

[signature] { *Colonel, or Commanding Officer.*

Entered in the Enrolment Book of
the Royal Lancashire Artillery
Regiment of Militia.

William Campbell Capt. *Adjutant.*

Description of John Gardner at the time the above Certificate was given.

Age 18 1/2 Height 5. 8 Eyes Hazel Complexion Fresh.

F. & T.—10,000. 7—55.

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Medical Report on the case of No 1204 Pr. John Gardiner 15th Regt who is recommended for discharge, to be filled up by the Surgeons of Regiments and Corps serving at Home, or by the Staff Surgeons of Divisions at Netley in the cases of Invalids from Abroad.

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
1. Name the Disability.	Bright's Disease
2. How and when incurred, and, if not entirely so, how far in the opinion of the Surgeon the disability is considered to have been caused or aggravated by climate or exposure in and by the Service, or by the performance of any Military duty on which the Soldier may have been employed.	His disability first became apparent in June 1874, it is chiefly attributable to Constitutional predisposition and to a certain extent it may have been aggravated by Military Service
3. If the disability be incurred directly by the Service, state its nature, and if a wound or injury, by what weapon inflicted, or by what specific act of duty incurred.	Nil
4. If the disability be attributable to malarious or climatic or other influences, state whether prevalent in the Regiment at the time, or if the man was by any act of Military duty exposed to such influences, or other cause from which it may have resulted.	Nil
5. Describe the man's present state, whether the disability is likely to be permanent or only temporary, stating in the latter case its probable duration, and in all cases how far it will probably affect his future power of contributing to his own support.	His disability renders him totally unfit for further Military Service, it is likely to be permanent and will be a considerable extent affect his future Capability of earning a livelihood
6. State how far the disability has been caused or aggravated by Intemperance or other vices.	It has not been aggravated by vice or intemperance

Answers to these questions to be as full and as accurate as possible, and to be filled in by the Surgeon by whom the Soldier is brought forward for discharge.

Signature W Thos Lyons Major A.M.S. *Place* Woolwich *Date* 15th Dec 1874

NOTE.—As the object of these questions is to put the Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital in possession OF THE MOST RELIABLE INFORMATION, grounded on the opinion of those best capable of judging, to guide them in deciding upon the man's claim to pension, full and decisive answers must in all cases be given.

Opinion of the Inspecting Medical Officer.

I hereby declare that I have read the Medical Records of the case of No. 1204 Pr. J. Gardiner 15th Regt and have carefully examined the man himself, and have verified the answers of Surgeon Major W. Lyons A.M.D. (name the Medical Officer) to the above questions, and I am of opinion that the disability of No. 1204 Pr. J. Gardiner 15th Regiment, is fully and accurately described, and that it permanently incapacitates him for the active duties of a Soldier.

Signature of Principal Medical Officer Deputy Inspector General *Place* Woolwich *Date* 22 Dec 1874

I concur in the opinion as to this man's unfitness for further Service.

Signature of the Inspecting General Officer Thos D'Aguilar Inspector General

The Discharge of the above named man is approved by His Royal Highness the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief, *Horse Guards,* 9 February 1875.

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No. 2579 Gunner John Gardner referred to in the preceding pages, by Trade a Clerk was born in the Parish of Guilford near the Town of Guilford in the County of Surrey and attested for the Royal Artillery at Liverpool in the County of Lancaster on the 13th Nov. 1855 at the Age of 18 years

His final description, &c., when discharged from the Service, at Woburn

this 9 day of May 1875

Age 37 years

Height 5 Feet 8½ Inches,

Complexion Pale

Eyes Hazel

Hair Brown

Trade Clerk

Marks or Scars upon the face, or other parts of the body

Intended Place of Residence Glenfinnan, Argyllshire

DECLARATION TO BE MADE AND SIGNED BY SOLDIERS [redacted] WHO TAKE THEIR DISCHARGE EITHER AT THEIR OWN REQUEST, DURING FIRST TERM, OR ON THE COMPLETION OF FIRST PERIOD OF LIMITED ENGAGEMENT.

I, _____ in the Regiment of _____

hereby declare that I do of my own free will _____ * to be discharged from Her Majesty's service; and that the conditions on which I can re-enter the service, or join the Army Reserve, have been fully explained to me.

* Here insert the word "claim" or "request."

(Signature of the Soldier.) _____

Signed in the presence of the Regimental Board at _____

this _____ day of _____

_____ *President.*

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