

Sworn at Poperinghe in Belgium on active service this first day of October, 1915.

Before me,

A. M. H. S——, Captain,  
D.A.A.G., 1st Army,  
Commissioner for Oaths.

I, No. 6546, Sergeant D. M——, of D Co., 8th —— Highlanders, make oath and say as follows :

(1) On September 25th, 1915, I was attached to C Co., 8th —— Highlanders. I took part in the attack on Haisnes on that day.

About 5 p.m. the part of this company commanded by Lieut. A—— with which I was was in trenches just west of Haisnes, and was going to retire.

Lieut. A—— ordered me to collect stragglers from Pekin Trench.

(2) I went 400-500 yards along Pekin Trench and found about twenty wounded men of various regiments, all Scottish, whose names I did not know.

I left these men sitting down and went about 100 yards further on and found about twenty men of the —— Highlanders, about ten of whom were wounded.

(3) It was now 5.15 p.m., and I could see that the Germans had cut me and all these men off from our own troops. I took the men of the —— Highlanders back to where the others were. I now had about forty men with me. For the sake of the wounded men we decided to surrender.

(4) We all took off our rifles and equipment and put them on top of the parapet.

I stood on top of the parapet and held up my hands.

A large party of Germans then advanced both in the open and by the trenches towards us.

When they drew near I said, "We surrender." One German, speaking English, said, "All right. Come along this way, every one." We all followed him up Pekin Trench towards the