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then makes his declaration to the J. P. that he fully understands the terms of his engagement (detailed in full on Attestation Paper under heading "DECLARA-TION"), signs the paper before a witness, and the Oath of Allegiance to His Majesty the King is then administered by the J. P., who signs the certificate to that effect.

4. Length of Service.

In the Canadian Militia the intending recruit undertakes that he will serve for a period of three years, or until "Legally Discharged." If going Overseas he agrees to serve for one year or for the duration of the war and for a further period of six months thereafter if His Majesty should require his services. Re-engagement may always be had at the end of one term of service provided the recruit is within the age limit of forty-five years.

5. Absorption into Establishment.

The J. P. returns the Attestation Papers to the Orderly Room where they are finally approved by the C. O. Battalion or Unit, which act makes the man a soldier in the service of His Majesty the King. The recruit is then given his Regimental Number and his name is brought out in Part II of Daily Orders as being "Taken on the Strength."

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