

The total amount allowed on account of expenses before committal will not together with the reward exceed 40/-.

Date _____

_____ / Superintendent or Officer
i/c Police Station at _____

AUTHORITY for the **PAYMENT** of a **REWARD**.

(For Army use only.)

Where no reward is authorised though one was recommended by the Magistrate, or where the reward authorised is less than that recommended, a brief explanation will be given below:—

IMMEDIATE.

Army Form O.1618.

PART I.

DESCRIPTIVE RETURN of a Deserter or Absentee without Leave.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE GUIDANCE OF MAGISTRATES

(1) When a man is apprehended by the Civil Power as an absentee without leave, or as a deserter, if the information tendered leaves no doubt in the mind of the Magistrate that the prisoner is a soldier, this return should be completed and given to the Police to hand to the escort on arrival.

(2) To avoid delay in the arrival of the escort a telegram stating the Number, Rank, Name and Unit of the soldier should be sent by the Police, as soon as the man is committed, to the Officer Commanding the soldier's Unit. The place where the escort is required to attend should be stated, also whether the soldier *surrendered* or was *arrested*.

(3) Any recommendation for a reward should be made on Part II of this return.

(4) The Court fees chargeable for Descriptive Returns should be claimed periodically from the Command Paymaster of the Command in which the Court is situated.

(5) The stations of all Units are shown in the Monthly Army List, as are also the Depots of Corps.

In the case of doubt as to the location of a particular Unit reference should be made to the nearest O.C. Troops. Where the soldier's Unit is stationed overseas (outside Great Britain, Northern Ireland District, and the Channel Islands) the telegram for an escort should be despatched to the O.C. Depot, who will take all necessary action for its provision.