500.—Aug. 1840.

FORM No. 105.

JS 14-7-41

HER MAJESTY'S

Royal Regiment of Artillery

†Invalid Detachment

Whereof Lieut. Gen. The Rt. Honble. Sir R. H. Vivian G.C.B. & G.C.H. **is Colonel.**

†Insert Battalion when necessary.

Sergeant John King

BORN in the Parish of Hacheston in or near the Town of Hacheston in the County of Suffolk by Trade a Labourer

ATTESTED for the* Royal Regiment of Artillery

at Woodbridge in the County of Suffolk

on the 11th August 1797, at the Age of Eighteen Years

FIRST SERVICE. AFTER the Age of 18 Years, which he is entitled to reckon up to 4th July 1841 is Forty four Years one Days the statement of which is as follows;

* Insert Regiment or Corps.

Regiment or Corps	Promotions, Reductions, &c.	Rank	Period of Service in each Rank		Amount of Service	
			From	To	Years	Days
Royal Artillery & Invalids		Gunner	5th July 1797	30th June 1803	6	"
	Promoted	Bombardier	1st July 1803	31st Dec. 1804	1	184
	do.	Corporal	1st Jany 1805	31st March 1805	"	90
	Reduced	Gunner	1st April 1805	24th March 1808	2	355
	Promoted	Bombardier	22nd March 1808	24th Feby 1812	3	340
	do.	Corporal	25th Feby 1812	2nd March 1814	2	5
	do.	Serjeant	2nd March 1814	4th July 1841	27	135

For Soldiers enlisted previous to the 15th March, 1818.

	From	To	Years	Days	
* ~~INDIES .. East .. West ..~~			.....	.....	~~Half period~~ ..
~~St. Helena .....~~			.....	.....	~~Half period~~ ..
~~Western Coast of Africa~~			.....	.....	~~Half period~~ ..

* ~~WATERLOO .....~~

		Years	Days
	Total of the foregoing Statement	44	14
Deduct	Total Service up to the		
A Non-commissioned Officer, enlisted after the 14th November, 1829, must have served not less than Three Years without interruption as such, immediately preceding his discharge. Vide Art. 6, of the Pensioner Regulations.	* Of which as Corporal & Bombardier	7	254
	Serjeant	27	135
	~~Serjeant-Major .....~~	—	—
	~~Quarter Master Serjeant~~	—	—
* ~~Further Service from the~~	~~to the~~ ~~when finally discharged~~		
	Total Service allowed to reckon to the Day of final discharge	44	14

1st SERVED. In Holland from August 1799, to Nov^r 1799. – Peninsula from August 1811, to October 1813 – was present at the following Battles Viz^t 19^th Sept^r 1799, near Camperdown, 2^nd October 1799, Egmont op Zee, 6^th Oct^r 1799, near Alkmaar; – Salamanca 1812, Retreat from Burgos 1812, & Vittoria 1813. – The Remainder at Home. –

2nd DISABILITY, or cause of Discharge. Chronic Rheumatism & impaired Vision, as stated in the accompanying Proceedings of a Medical Board, dated 15^th June 1841 –

It appears to the Board that this Case is not attributable to Neglect, design, Vice or intemperance. –

3rd CHARACTER. The Regimental Board is of opinion that his Character is Good. – He also produced written Testimonials of Good Character from Maj^r Gen^l Sir Tho^s Downman, the late Maj^r General Sir G. B. Hilgrove Calcraft, Colonel Roberts Macdonald & Lt Colonel Dyneley. –

4th PAY and CLOTHING. He has received all just Demands from his Entry into the Service, up to the 14^th July 1841 –

I John King do acknowledge to have received all just demands Whatever. –

J. King Serjeant Roy^l Regt Artillery.

Certified John Wightman Captain. Sta. Adjt.

I CERTIFY that the foregoing Statements are correct Extracts from the Regimental Records, and the Proceedings of the Regimental Board.

[illegible] , and President.

Confirmed by me,
J. E. Dons[illegible]
Adj^t Gen^l

Jo^s Wightman
Lieut & Adj^t
Commanding Officer.

1250.—July, 1839.

FORM, No. 139.

Proceedings of a Regimental Board, *held in conformity to the Articles of War, for the purpose of verifying and recording the Services, Conduct, Character, and cause of Discharge of* Sergeant John King
Brigade Detach.
of the Royal Regiment of Artillery

Woolwich, 24th June 1841.

President Lieut. Colonel W. Cator

Members { Lt. Colonel W. Wylde C.B.
Major W. Sandilands
The Board having made the Declaration directed by the Articles of War.—

Sergeant John King — appeared, and the Board having personally examined and compared the Regimental Records, the Soldier's Book, and other Documents, report to the following effect

Born { in the Parish of Hacheston —, in or near the Town of Hacheston in the County of Suffolk
by Trade a Labourer.—

Attested { for the Royal Regiment of Artillery at Woodbridge
in the County of Suffolk —— on the 14th Day of
August 1797, at the Age of Eighteen Years.—

Service { which is entitled to reckon, after making every deduction required by Her Majesty's Regulations up to the 14th July 1841
is Forty four Years, and Fourteen Days. ——
The details of which, as extracted
from the Regimental Documents, are stated on the following page.

Regiment or Corps	Promotions, Reductions, &c.	Rank	Period of Service in each Rank		Amount of Services	
			From	To	Years	Days
Royl. Horse Artillery & Invalids		Gunner	1 July 1797	30 June 1803	6	.
	Promoted	Bombardier	1 July 1803	31st Decr. 1806	1	184
	do.	Corporal	1 Janry. 1805	31st March 1825	11	90
	Reduced	Gunner	1st Apl. 1805	31st March 1808	2	355
	Promoted	Bombardier	22nd March 1808	24th Feby. 1812	3	340
	do.	Corporal	25th Feby. 1812	1st March 1814	2	6
	do.	Serjeant	2nd March 1814	14 July 1841	27	135
				Total.	44	14

Served in Holland from August 1799, to November 1799. Peninsula from August 1811, to October 1813. Was present at the following Battles, Viz. 19th Sept. 1799 Near Bamperdown 2nd October 1799, Egmont op Zee 6th Oct. 1799 Near Alkmaar Salamanca 1812, Retreat from Burgos 1812. & Vittoria 1813. The remainder at Home.

Disability or

Cause of Discharge Chronic Rheumatism, & impaired Vision, as stated in the accompanying Proceeding of a Medical Board, dated 15th June 1841.—

It appears to the Board that this case is not attributable to neglect, design, vice or intemperance

Conduct and Character

Good,

The Officers composing the Board ~~having examined the Defaulter's Book, and~~ received Parole Testimony from Lt & Adjt Wightman, that his Character is Good.—

He also produced written testimonials of Good Character from Major General Sir Thos Downman, the late Major Genl Sir G.B. Fisher, Colonel Roberts Macdonald, & Lt Colonel Pynsley.—

Pay and Clothing

Serjeant John King — being asked up to what period he has been paid, answered that his Account was balanced up to 14th July 1841. — being further asked, whether he has any other claim on the Regiment for Arrears of Pay, Allowances, or Clothing, answered, that he has not,

The Board have verified that his Soldier's Book is correctly balanced and signed by the Officer commanding his Troop or Company; and they further declare that they have impartially inquired into, and faithfully reported their opinion on all the Matters brought before them in accordance with the Regulations and Instructions issued by Her Majesty's Orders.

President.

Note.—It is desirable that this size and form of Report may be invariably adhered to.

OPINION Of the Principal Medical Officer, at Woolwich 15 June 1841.

After a careful examination I am of opinion that John King is unfit for Service, and likely to be permanently disqualified for Military duty.

A Thomas
Deputy Inspector General
of
Ordnance Hospitals

DECISION. The Board by their Order of _____

awarded _____

to receive a Pension of _____

_____ a day, commencing

_____

DESCRIPTION Of Sergeant John King at the time of his Discharge.

He is 62 Years of Age, 5 Feet 9½ Inches in Height, Brown Hair, Grey Eyes, Fresh Complexion.

By Trade a Labourer.

When he left the Royal Artillery Lt. Col. James Wightman Officer Commanding
was the ~~Captain of his Troop or Company~~ the Invalid Detachment.

MARCHING ALLOWANCE. _____ received from _____ at

_____ on the _____ Day's Marching Allowance,

to carry him, his Wife and _____ Children to _____

the place of his enlistment, or to _____ the Port at which he is to

embark on the way to the place of his enlistment.

Declaration to be made and signed when the Soldier receives his Discharge at his own request.

[See Article 48 of the Pensioner Warrant, dated 14th November, 1829.]

I, in the of
hereby declare that I do, of my own free will, request to be discharged from Her Majesty's Service; and I further declare, that a period of not less than Thirty Days has elapsed since I first made application for my Discharge; and it has been fully explained to me, and I perfectly understand, that in receiving my Discharge at my own request, I entirely relinquish all Claim to Pension, and that even if I should re-enlist, my past Services prior to the Date of my present Discharge cannot be allowed to be reckoned for the purpose of obtaining any benefit from the Board of Ordnance.

Signed in the presence of_____ { *Officer Commanding the Troop, Company, or Detachment.*

at_____ this_____ day of_____

Witnessed and certified by me,

_____ *Officer Commanding the Troop or Company.*

Royal Ordnance Hospital,
Woolwich, 15th June 1841.

Proceedings of a Medical Board held in obedience to an Order of The Right Honorable The Master General of the Ordnance, communicated in Regimental Orders on the 13th Instant, to examine Non Commd. Officers and Men of the Royal Artillery brought forward as unfit for further Service.

D. Inspector Genl. Maryon Thomas. President

Surgeons { James Verling M.D. / Stewart Chisholm } Members

Assist. Surgeon. George Farr.

Invalid Battalion.

Sergeant John King

Chronic Rheumatism & Impaired Vision.

The Board having met and individually made the Declaration directed by Order of The Master General & Board of Ordnance dated 24th December 1833 Circ. 748. proceeded to examine John King and ascertained that for some years past, he has suffered from Rheumatic pains and stiffness in his Shoulders, Legs and Loins, which are increased by exposure to wet weather. His sight also has become much impaired.—

Present State. His general health is affected, and his vision is very imperfect.

Opinion. The Board are of opinion that he is worn out, and permanently unfit for Military Service, but able to contribute

something towards his Livelihood.

Has not been in Hospital at Woolwich.

A. Thomas
Dep^ty Insp^r Genl
of Ordnance Hospitals

Certified.

John Webb
Director General of the
Ordnance Medical Department.

V. Watkins Surgeon
R.N.

Lieut Chisholm
Surgeon R.M.L.

Hart
Asst Surgeon
Ordnance Dep^t