

THE SOLDIER'S GUIDE.

INTRODUCTION.

IN these pages the concessions and privileges granted by the State to the soldier are set out in plain terms. So extensive are the organizations of the State set up to assist the soldier while on service and to re-enter civilian life upon being discharged that it has been found necessary to group the information under one cover, arranged for ready reference.

The matter is arranged under three main headings corresponding to the stages of demobilization, and the soldier, by reference to these sections or to the index, will readily find information applying to his own category. The three main divisions are,—

OVERSEAS.
BEFORE DISCHARGE.
AFTER DISCHARGE.

As this booklet contains information which may have to be turned to account many months after the return of the soldier to New Zealand, it is hoped that he will retain it permanently.

Where more information is required on important matters the booklet gives an address at which details will be furnished.

Though the soldiers' financial-assistance scheme has by this time largely served its useful purpose, some particulars have been inserted, as they have an important bearing on the general aspect of what is being done for the soldier. When the whole of these activities are realized it is to be hoped that a perusal of this necessarily brief summary will lead to a realization that a tremendous amount of work has been done to lighten the material sacrifices of our men, and that the end of the war does not by any means mark the cessation of the State's interest in the welfare of its soldiers.

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