



**Deserters and Absentees in the
Police Gazette 1914 – 1919
World War I
War Office, January 12th 1915**

| Name | Coupe | John James | | |
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| Date and Place of Birth | 1880 | | Preston, Lancashire | |
| Trade Prior to Enlistment | Baker | | | |
| Rank, Service Number, Unit & Regiment | | 12432 | 8th Battalion, Border Regiment | |
| Date and Place of Enlistment | 1914 | 07-Sep | Preston, Lancashire | |
| Date, Place of Desertion and Age | 1914 | 29-Dec | Boscombe, Wiltshire | 33¼ |
| Physical Description | | | | |
| Height | Complexion | Hair | Eyes | Distinguishing Marks or Remarks |
| 5' 2" | Dark | Dark | Grey | Scar on forehead |

OPC Note:

John James Coupe was sentenced to 16 days detention for absence on the 26th February 1915 and was released back to his unit on the 13th March 1915. He was given a further 28 days detention for the same offence on 31st March 1915 and was released back to his unit on 27th April 1915. He further absconded and was sentenced to 28 day detention on 11th June 1915 and released on the
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3rd July 1915. He went missing again 3 days later on the 6th July 1915. On the 23rd August 1915 he was tried by District Court Martial and sentenced to 4 years detention and other punishments.