



THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 5041 Name James Bader Corps C/Co

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your name? 1. James Bader
2. What is your full Address? 2. Parade Ground, St. John's
3. Are you a British Subject? 3. Yes
4. What is your age? 4. 26 Years Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? 5. Fireman
6. Are you Married? 6. No
7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? 7. No
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? 8. Yes
9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? 9. Yes
10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? 10. Name
Corps
11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? 11. Yes

I, James Bader do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.

James Bader SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

John J. ... Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, James Bader do make oath, that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown and Dignity against all enemies, according to the conditions of my service.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said Recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at St. John's on this 12 day of May 1916.

Charles ... Signature of Attesting Officer

†CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been compiled with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the

If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date May 12 1916
Place St. John's } Approving Officer.

† The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Recruit.
‡ Here insert the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

* If so, Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former service, and to produce, if possible, his Certificate of Discharge and Certificate of Character, which should be returned to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink, as follows, viz:—(Name) re-enlisted in the (Regiment) on the (Date)

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT

Applicable to all ranks. To correspond with entries on the Medical History Sheet.

Name James Baker
 Apparent age 26 years 5 months 36 Height 5 feet 8 inches
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 36 inches
 Range of expansion 4 inches
 Distinctive marks _____

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Mr James Baker
Hearts Contentment Day | Relationship 7 other

Particulars as to Marriage

(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow. (b) Place and date of marriage.
 (c) Present address. (d) Initials of Officer verifying entry.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)

Particulars as to Children

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or L'opot	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. P. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from _____									
Joined at _____ on _____									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									
Total Service towards Engagement to _____ (date of discharge) _____ years _____ days									
Pensions " _____ [" "] _____ " _____ "									



THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 5041

Name Herb Baker

Corps C/5

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

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|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Herb Baker</u> |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>Hearts Content Y Bay</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>26</u> Years |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>Featherman</u> Months |
| 6. Are you Married? | 6. <u>No</u> |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? | 7. <u>No</u> |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? | 8. <u>Yes</u> |
| 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? | 9. <u>Yes</u> |
| 10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? | 10. Name |
| | Corps |
| 11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? | 11. <u>Yes</u> |

I, Herb Baker do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.

Herb Baker SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

J. Daymond Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Herb Baker do make oath, that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown and Dignity against all enemies, according to the conditions of my service.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at Hearts Content on this 10 day of May 1915.

Signature of Attesting Officer E. Dicks Lieut

CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been completed with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the

If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date May 15 1915 } Approving Officer.
Place Hearts Content

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‡ Here insert the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

* If so, Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former service, and to produce, if possible, his Certificate of Discharge and Certificate of Character, which should be returned to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink, as follows, viz:—(Name)

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT

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Applicable to all ranks. To correspond with entries on the Medical History Sheet.

Name Herb Baker
 Apparent age 26 years _____ months. Height 5 feet 8 inches
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 36 inches
 Range of expansion 4 inches
 Distinctive marks _____

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Mr James Baker
Hearts Content St. Bay | Relationship Father
 Particulars as to Marriage _____

(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow. (b) Place and date of marriage.
 (c) Present address. (d) Initials of Officer verifying entry.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)

Particulars as to Children

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or L'epot	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>15-5-18</u>									
Joined at <u>St Helier</u> on <u>May 15-1918</u>									
<u>Embarked St Helier to Halifax N.S. 11-6-1918.</u>									
<u>Embarked for Det 26-10-18</u>									
<u>joined 1st Det Base 2-11-18 Admitted 11th Hosp. Rowan 4th Det Hospital 3-2-19</u>									
<u>Died in 11th Hospital Rowan at 1.35 PM 3-2-19</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Total Service towards Engagement to 3-2-1919 (date of discharge) _____ years 265 days
 " " Pensions " _____ " " " " " " " " " "

July 19th. 1919.

Jas. Baker, Esq.,
Heart's Content.

Dear Sir:-

It is my regrettable duty to have to forward to you by Registered mail, one pattern bag containing some effects belonging to your late son No. 1342 2nd Bn. Baker Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

I enclose herewith receipt, will you kindly sign same and return to this Office at your earliest convenience.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement, and in the added sorrow which the receipt of this information must entail.

Yours sincerely.

Casualty Officer.

No. 174 Name Baker M. Sqn., Batty., or Company B Corps ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REG. Date of enlistment 1917 Badges Service on Proficiency Pay Sheet No. Signature O.C. Company, etc. Character

Place	Date of offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	Offence	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	Remarks
L. A. 21/1/18		Ce.		Incubating to obey an order	Sgt. P. G. ... Plt. ...	7 days B.P.	30/12/18	W. ...	B.P.

Army Form N. 122

i.r.o.

No. 681
 Received from
 A REGISTERED POSTAL PACKET
 Addressed—
 Jas Baker
 His Content
 JUL 22 1918
 Received a Registered Postal Packet addressed as above.
 5041

No. 104 / Name *Baker M.* Sqn., Batty., or Company *B Corps ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REG.* Date of enlistment *1st 11/17* *1917* *W. J. Service on Proficiency Pay*
 Date of last entry in Company Conduct Sheet *Nov 1917* *Nov and date of last drink* *between 1st 11/17 and 1st 12/17* *Period, not reckoning towards freedom from extra line* Sheet No. *10* Signature O.C. Company, etc. *J. M. C. C. C.*

Place	Date of offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	Offence	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	Remarks
<i>Lt. Baker</i>	<i>1st 11/17</i>	<i>Pte.</i>		<i>Hesitating to obey an order</i>	<i>Lt. Baker Pte. Fairbank</i>	<i>7 days B.P.</i>	<i>2nd 12/18</i>	<i>Lt. Baker</i>	<i>1st 11/17</i>

Army Form B. 122

(P.T.O.)

No. *682*
 Received from
 A REGISTERED POSTAL PACKET
 Addressed—
Jas Baker
His Content
St. John's
 JUL 22 1918
 Registered & Registered Post Office
 Dominion of Newfoundland

C.R. 5041

June 23th. 1919.

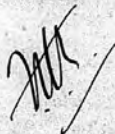
Mr. Jas. Baker,
Heart's Content.

Dear Mr. Baker:

I am directed to inform you that information has been received concerning the burial place of your son, No. 5041 the late Pte. Hero Baker who died at Rouen February 5, 1919. This report shows that Private Baker has been buried at St. Sever Cemetary Extension Rouen.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement and in the added sorrow which the receipt of this information must entail.

Yours sincerely,



Lieut.
Casualty Officer.

FAB/BC.

C.R. 5041.

Extract from Casualties: (Grave sites) received from the
Pay and Record Office, London dated 2nd. May 1919.

5041 Pte. N. Baker.

(Report Grand Quevilly 1.397

St. Sever Cemetery Extension Rouen.

Authority. Lists from War Office (D.G.G.H.S.)

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Extract from Casualties from Pay & Record Office, London.

Dated March 25th 1919.

DIED OF ACCIDENTAL WOUNDS.

#5041, N. Baker.

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



C.R. 5041

Cable Connection with all the World

All Messages Sent are Subject to the Following Conditions:

The Management may decline to forward the Message, though it has been received for transmission; but in case of so doing shall refund to the Sender the amount paid for its transmission.

In case the Message shall never reach its destination by reason of any neglect or default of the N. P. T. or its Servants whilst the Message remains under the control of the N. P. T., they will refund the amount paid by the Sender for such Message.

The N. P. T. shall not be liable to make compensation beyond the amount refunded as above for any loss, injury, or damage arising or resulting from the non-transmission or non-delivery of the Message, or delay or error in the transmission or delivery thereof, howsoever such transmission, non-delivery, delay, or error shall have occurred.

The control of the N. P. T. over the Message shall be deemed to have entirely ceased for the purposes of these Conditions at any point where, in the course of the transit of the Message to its destination, it may be entrusted by the N. P. T. (and the N. P. T. shall have full power so to entrust the Message) for further transmission by or through any system, service, or line of Telegraph belonging to or worked by any administration or authority not controlled by the N. P. T. exclusively, although worked as part of or in connection with the Telegraphic system or service of the N. P. T.

I request that the following Telegram may be forwarded according to the foregoing Conditions, by which I agree to abide.

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____

Address Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated **Feb 6th, 1919**To **James Baker, Heart's Content**

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London,
officially reports **No. 5041, Private Hero Baker**
died at Rouen, France Feb. 3rd accidentally shot
no particulars given

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J.R. Bennett
Minister of Militia.

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

This Message is not to be delivered until Receiving Office notifies that Message to **Church of England**

Minister or School Teacher Heart's Content has been received and acted upon

FOR TYPEWRITER

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____

Address **Dept of Militia.**

Line Number _____	Red _____	By _____	Sent _____	by _____	Check _____
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Dated

Feb 5th, 1919

To

Church of England Minister or School Teacher, Heart's Content

Regret to inform you Record Office, London reports to-day
No. 5041, Private Hero Baker died at Rouen, France Feb 3rd
accidentally shot no particulars given, Please inform next
of kin, James Baker.

J.R Bennett

Chge Dept of Militia

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 5041

Extract fro, telegram from Syn. to Mil. dated Feb. 4th., 1919.

5041 Baker accidently shot
at Rouen Camp Feb. 2d., died Feb. 3rd.,
no particulars given, AUTHORITY telegram
from O. C. 1st., Battalion,

C.R. 5041

Extract from Casualties.....List No. H.A. 347197

5041 Pte. N. Baker.

G.S.W. Leg. Acc. Died in 11th Sty. H. Rouen, at 1.55
p.m. Feb. 3rd. 1919.

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Extract from Casualties.....List No. H.A. 347191

5041 Pte. N. Baker.

Adm. 11 Sty. H. Rouen, 3 Feb. 1919. G.S.W. Log Acc.

6. To _____ Army "A."

Forwarded with reference to my Casualty Wire No. _____ dated _____

O. 1910.
14. E.
d/d 3/5/19.

Date _____

Division _____

7. To D. A. G.,

M. A. 14898.

G. H. Q., 3rd Echelon.

Forwarded for record. This casualty should be reported as died of injuries accidental
Pte. Abbott tried by F.G.C.M., 11/4/19
and sentenced to 28 days F.P.No.2
commuted to ~~28~~ days deprived 28 days pay. (Sd) H. GALETROUSE, Capt. S.C.
for Major-General
G.O.C., L. of C. Area.

Date 30/4/19.

L. of C.
C.M. 21013.

INSTRUCTIONS.

1. These forms are to be completed in all cases of accidental or self-inflicted injuries, involving a soldier's absence from duty, whether due to the man's own act, or that of a comrade, or to other extraneous circumstances.
2. Where several casualties occur as the result of one accident, one form is to be completed for each Officer or other rank injured, but only one set of statements from the witnesses of the accident need be attached.
3. Full statements are to be taken by an Officer from the witnesses of the accident. These statements will be signed by the witnesses making them, and by the Officer who takes them, and will be forwarded with this Form. Where it is intended to take disciplinary action, copies of these statements should be retained by the Unit for use in lieu of a summary of evidence.
4. Where it is possible to obtain it, a statement from the injured man will also be forwarded. This, however, should not be used as evidence against him in any subsequent disciplinary proceedings.

Special Instructions as to Evidence in Cases of Self-Inflicted Wounds.

5. In these cases the statements mentioned in paragraphs 2 and 3 above should bring out all material points, e.g., statements to the effect that the witness was with the accused standing on the fire step (or sitting in a dug-out); that the accused was cleaning his rifle; position of safety catch, magazine, etc., if known; muzzle of rifle on toe of foot; band on muzzle; that accused pulled trigger; that the rifle was afterwards examined and an empty cartridge case was found in chamber; that accused was seen to be wounded; what accused said ("I have shot myself," "I did not know it was loaded," etc.).
6. A soldier is specially trained in the safe use of his rifle and revolver, and evidence of any neglect of the ordinary precautions as to their handling in such cases usually has considerable bearing on the question of negligence. In cases of wilful self-wounding the fullest possible evidence should be obtained; unless the evidence is conclusive this charge should not be used. The charge will therefore usually be laid under sec. 40 Army Act—"Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in wounding himself through negligently handling a rifle," and an alternative charge to this effect should be made, even if the accused is to be tried under section 18 for wilful maiming.

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Army Form W. 3428.

REPORT ON ACCIDENTAL OR SELF-INFLICTED INJURIES.

To be rendered in accordance with instructions on the back of this form.

1. Number, Rank, Name, and Unit No. 5041 Private
of injured man. N. BAKER.
1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Date of Casualty.

3/2/19.

2. Nature, Location, and Severity of injury. (N.B. Field Ambulance to be notified at once if wound is believed to be self-inflicted.)

Bullet wound. Right leg below knees. Shock. Bones of leg extensively shattered from which injuries he died.

(Sgd) GILBERT SMITH, Lt.
RAMC.

Medical Officer.

3. Short statement of the circumstances of the case. (Signed statements of witnesses to be attached to this form.)

At No. 1 Military Prison Guard Room Hut, No 5213 Private Harold Abbott whilst cleaning his rifle accidentally discharged same; thereby shooting Private N. Baker, who was sitting near him, through the leg. No. 5041 Private N. Baker was shot as stated above at about 04.30 hrs on 3rd February 1919 and died of shock at 13.55 hrs the same day as a result of injuries sustained.

(Sgd) ? G.P.

Court of Inquiry's

4. ~~Opinion~~ ~~of the~~ ~~members~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~Court~~ ~~of~~ ~~Inquiry~~ ~~as~~ ~~to~~ ~~whether~~ ~~the~~ ~~man~~ ~~was~~ ~~:-~~

- (a) In the performance of military duty.
(b) To blame.
(c) Whether any other person was to blame.

Yes

No

No. 5213 Private Harold Abbott to blame.

President: Gordon Mayfer, Lt.-Col.

Members: R. G. Hogg, Lt. 1st S.R.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
R. Stanford 2/Lt. R.Nfld Rgt

Date 10/2/19.

5. (a) Opinion of G.O.C. Brigade.
(b) Disciplinary action taken or proposed, whether against injured man or another.

Private Abbott is to be tried by F.G.C.M.

(Sgd) C.G. MOORES, Col. (illegible)
for Brig.-General, 1e)

Date 25/2/19.

Commanding Rouen Base Brigade.

[Continued Overleaf.]

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Extract from Nominal Roll Re-enforcement Draft No. 55 embarked Folkestone
26/10/18, from 2nd Batta, Royal Newbunland Regiment, Haslepy Down Camp,
Winchester, to 1st Batta, Royal Newbunland Regiment, S.E.F.

5041 Pte. Baker H.

MP.

C.R. 5041

Extract from Daily Orders Part 21 Unit The Royal Wilt. Regt.
by Lt. Col. F.S. Mathias, D.S.O. Commencing 1st Bn. 2-21-18

The following joined the Bn. 3-11-18.

5041 Pte. N. Baker.

2 Coy.

CR 5041

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11. from Unit The Royal Wfld.
Regiment, St. John's, dated June 14th 1918.

5041 Pte M. Baker

Embarked for Overseas with draft 11-6-18.

Extract from Daily Orders part 11, from Unit The Royal
Newfoundland Regiment, St. John's dated May 16th, 1918.

#5041 Pte. H. Baker.

Attested for General Service with the Royal Nfld. Regt.
from 15.5.18.

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NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

C.R. 5041

CASUALTIES.

Accidentally Shot 2/2/19, died at 2 p.m. 3/2/19:-

5041 Pte. Baker, N.

Authority:- Telegram from O.C. Royal Newfoundland Regiment,
Rouen, received 4/2/19.



PROGRESS REPORTS

C.R. 5041

P.167374.P.167380.&.P.167383.

P.167374.

O.C. STY. HOS. ABANGCOURT telegraphs 4TH FEB.19.
783/A/E.COY. Bronche Pneumonia. DIED No.date stated.
Pte. Barr T.

P.167380.

O.C. 11 STY. HOS. ROUEN telegraphs 3rd FEB.19.
5041 Pte. Baker N. NEWLAND REGT. GSW Leg(Accd)
44736 Pte. Reeves J.J. 11/SOM.L.I.
635835 Pte. Baker A. 702/LAB.COY.

DIED 3RD FEB.19.
NO LONGER SERIOUSLY ILL
NO LONGER SERIOUSLY ILL

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O.C. 55 C.C.B. FRANCE telegraphs 3RD FEB.19.
2184 Pte. Watts A. 48/BN.AIF. Influenza.
M2/054565 Dvr. Smith M. ASCMT.42 DIVN. Influenza.
MT.COY.
60740 Pte. O'Connor 7/BN.AIF. Influenza.
4441 L/C. Fergusson B. 48/BN AIF. -dc-

DANGEROUSLY ILL
-dc-

-dc-
-dc-

Baker

C.R.

5041

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To be used only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname *Baker*

OF

Christian Name *Nero*

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish *Neats Content* County *Nfld*

	SPECIAL RESERVE		REGULAR ARMY	
	on	day of	on	day of
Examined	15	May	1918	191
Declared Age	26 years		years	days
Trade or Occupation	Fisherman			
Height	5	feet	8	inches
Weight	134 lbs.		lbs.	lbs.
Chest Measurement	36 inches		inches	inches
	4 inches		inches	inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
	/			
When Vaccinated	4/7/20			
Vision	R.E.—V=	6/30?	R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V=	6/30?	L.E.—V=	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(a)		(a)	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection	(b)		(b)	
Approved by (Signature)	<i>L. M. Robinson</i>			
(Rank)	Major		Medical Officer.	Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at	<i>S. Johns</i>	at	
	on	15 day of May	on	day of 191
	Corps.		Corps.	Regtl. No.
Joined on Enlistment	<i>The Royal Nfld Regt</i>			
Transferred to	<i>Aflakept</i>			
Became non-effective by	on	day of	on	day of
(Signature)		191		191
(Rank)				

No 4378

1st. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ALLOTMENTS

I, Nero Baker, Regl. No. 5041

hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official form to make an Allotment of _____ Dollars and Twenty Cents, per diem, from my Pay, to, and for the benefit of the undermentioned Person ^{and} _{or} Persons, such payment to be made on proof of identity of, and production of the relative Identity Certificates by the Person ^{and} _{or} Persons concerned, viz :

Allotment begins 8-6-18

Identity Certificate No.	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative or Friend	NAME (in full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
4144	Mother	Mrs James (widely) Baker	Hearts Content D. B.	60
			Total Allotment, \$	60

NOTE.—This form must be completed by the Officer Commanding Company, signed by the Volunteer, countersigned by the Officer Commanding Company and handed to the Paymaster as authority to make the required payments on application.

Sig.) A. L. Summers Sr.Officer Commanding
B. CompanySt. Johns8-6-1918

(Sig.) ^{His} Nero X Baker
(Rank) Private Small arms

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 2nd THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.Rank Plt Surname Baker Christian Name heroReligion C.E. Age on Enlistment 26 years monthsEnlisted (a) 15/1/18 Terms of Service (a) DURATION Service reckons from (a) 15/1/18

Date of promotion to present rank Date of appointment to lance rank

Extended (.....) Re-engaged (.....) Qualification (b)
S. for Corps Trade and rate SOccupation Fisherman W. M. Emerson Capt. Signature of Officer

Report		Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B 219, Army Form A 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received			
		Embarked ...	<u>26 OCT 1918</u>	
		Disembarked ...	<u>3 NOV 1918</u>	
		Accidentally wounded	<u>2.2.19</u>	
	<u>W. Staley H. ...</u>	<u>Det. GSW Reg (acc) Det 3/24/18 pm</u>	<u>3/11/19</u>	
		Det of wounds	<u>3.2.19</u>	
		<u>W. M. Emerson</u>		<u>Capt for Lt Col, 1st Bn, 2nd Newfoundland Regt</u>

(c) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be given by the Officer, Sholing-Sandis, etc.

Next of Kin Father James Baker, Hearts Content, Amity Bay, Newfoundland

No. _____

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

Copy

M.P.F./55.

To: Minister of Militia

Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria Street,
London, S.W. 1,

9/5 1919.

Herewith

A.F. W 3428 (Copy)

relating to Sgt. J. Baker.

Please acknowledge receipt hereon:

(Sig.) _____

(Date) _____

J. B. [Signature]

Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

To the Officer i/c,

No. 180

21/2/19 to 1/3/19

Newfoundland Records,
58 Victoria



Group Letter.

Sack Number.

I herewith enclose One inventory (in duplicate) for you forwarded to you by Registered Post on 23/2/19. Please return this form and duplicate sheets duly receipted at the foot of each sheet as soon as possible. The sacks should be returned to the local Post Office.

All cash received has been credited to the man's account through the Base Cashier, and A.Bs.64 are being sent to the Fixed Centre Paymasters.

3rd ECHELON, G.H.Q.,
(EFFECTS BRANCH),

W. Smith

Capt

for Staff Captain.

413/1919

REGISTER No. OF SHEETS.	CONSECUTIVE NUMBER.	REGISTER No. OF SHEETS.	CONSECUTIVE NUMBER.

for D. a. S.
763
14
GPB
W. Smith

REPORT ON ACCIDENTAL OR SELF-INFLICTED INJURIES.

To be rendered in accordance with instructions on the back of this form.

1. Number, Rank, Name, and Unit of injured man.	No. 5041 Private N. BAKER. 1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regt.	Date of Casualty. 3/2/19.
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2. Nature, Location, and Severity of injury. (N.B. Field Ambulance to be notified at once if wound is believed to be self-inflicted.)

Bullet wound. Right leg below knee. Shock. Bones of leg extensively shattered from which injuries he died.
(Sgd) GILBERT SMITH, Lt. RAMC.
Medical Officer.

3. Short statement of the circumstances of the case. (Signed statements of witnesses to be attached to this form.)

At No. 1 Military Prison Guard Room Hut, No 5213 Private Harold Abbott whilst cleaning his rifle accidentally discharged same, thereby shooting Private N. Baker, who was sitting near him, through the leg. No.5041 Private N. Baker was shot as stated above at about 04.30 hrs on 3rd February 1919 and died of shock at 13.55 hrs the same day as a result of injuries sustained.
(Sgd) ? G.P.

Court of Inquiry's

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

4. Commanding officer's opinion as to whether the man was:—

(a) In the performance of military duty.

(b) To blame.

(c) Whether any other person was to blame.

Yes

No

No 5213 Private Harold Abbott to blame.

President: Gordon Mayfer, Lt.-Col.

Members: R. G. Hogg, Lt. 1st S.R.

XXXXXXXXXXXX
Commanding Officer 2/Lt. R.Nfld Rgt

Date 10/2/19.

5. (a) Opinion of G.O.C. Brigade.

(b) Disciplinary action taken or proposed, whether against injured man or another.

Private Abbott
is to be tried
by R.G.C.M.(Sgd) C.G. MOORES, Col. (illegible)
for Brig.-General. 16)

25/2/19.

Rouen Base

Date

Commanding

Brigade.

[Continued Overleaf.]

6. To _____ Army "A."

Forwarded with reference to my Casualty Wire No. _____ dated _____

O. 1810.
14.E.
d/d 3/5/19.

Date _____ Division _____

M.A. 14898.

7. To D. A. G.,
G. H. Q., 3rd Echelon.

Forwarded for record. This casualty should be reported as _____ died of injuries accidental
Pte. Abbott tried by F.P.C.M., 11/2/19
and sentenced to 28 days F.P.No.2
commuted to ~~28 days~~ deprived 28 days pay. (Sd) H. GALETROUSE, Capt. S.G.
for Major-General

Date 30/4/19. L. of C.
C.M. 21013. _____
Army.

INSTRUCTIONS.

1. These forms are to be completed in all cases of accidental or self-inflicted injuries, involving a soldier's absence from duty, whether due to the man's own act, or that of a comrade, or to other extraneous circumstances.

2. When several casualties occur as the result of one accident, one form is to be completed for each Officer or other rank injured, but only one set of statements from the witnesses of the accident need be attached.

3. Full statements are to be taken by an Officer from the witnesses of the accident. These statements will be signed by the witnesses making them, and by the Officer who takes them, and will be forwarded with this Form. Where it is intended to take disciplinary action, copies of these statements should be retained by the Unit for use in lieu of a summary of evidence.

4. Where it is possible to obtain it, a statement from the injured man will also be forwarded. This, however, should not be used as evidence against him in any subsequent disciplinary proceedings.

Special Instructions as to Evidence in Cases of Self-Inflicted Wounds.

5. In these cases the statements mentioned in paragraphs 2 and 3 above should bring out all material points, e.g., statements to the effect that the witness was with the accused standing on the fire step (or sitting in a dug-out); that the accused was cleaning his rifle; position of safety catch, magazine, etc., if known; muzzle of rifle on toe of foot; hand on muzzle; that accused pulled trigger; that the rifle was afterwards examined and an empty cartridge case was found in chamber; that accused was seen to be wounded; what accused said ("I have shot myself," "I did not know it was loaded," etc.).

6. A soldier is specially trained in the safe use of his rifle and revolver, and evidence of any neglect of the ordinary precautions as to their handling in such cases usually has considerable bearing on the question of negligence. In cases of wilful self-wounding the fullest possible evidence should be obtained; unless the evidence is conclusive this charge should not be used. The charge will therefore usually be laid under sec. 40 Army Act—"Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in wounding himself through negligently handling a rifle," and an alternative charge to this effect should be made, even if the accused is to be tried under section 18 for wilful maiming.

The War Records Newfoundland Regt

Forwarded with the Compliments of the Secretary of

the War Office for noting & filing with documents
of the Soldiers concerned

War Office
Finsbury Court

with

Finsbury Pavement, E.C. 2

575 1919.



REPORT ON ACCIDENTAL OR SELF-INFLICTED INJURIES.

To be rendered in accordance with Instructions on the back of this Form.

1. Number, Rank, Name and Unit of injured man. **No 5041 Private N. BAKER**
1st Bn Royal Newfoundland Regt Date of Casualty. **3/2/19**

2. Nature, Location, and Severity of injury. (N.B. Field Ambulance to be notified at once if wound is believed to be self-inflicted). **Bullet wound. Right leg below knee. Shock. Bones of leg extensively shattered. From which injuries he died.**
Willed Suicide
W.P.C.M.E

3. Short statement of the circumstances of the case. (Signed statements of witnesses to be attached to this Form).

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4. Commanding Officer's opinion as to whether the man was:—

(a) In the performance of military duty.

(b) To blame.

(c) Whether any other person was to blame.

Yes

No

No 5213 Private Harold Abbott to blame



Date 10/2/19

5. (a) Opinion of G.O.C. Brigade.
 (b) Disciplinary action taken or proposed, whether against injured man or another.

Date 25/2/19

President Members
Private Abbot is to be tried by F.G.C.M.
Cytheron Lt Genl. for Bng. Y. or. L.
Commanding Royal Horse.

6. To Army "A."

Forwarded with reference to my Casualty Wire No. Dated

Date Division.

7. To D.A.G.,
 G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon.

Forwarded for Record. This casualty should be reported as *death of injuries accidental*
Pte. Abbot killed by F.G.C.M. 1/4/19 and sentenced to 28 days F.P.No. 2, committed to expense 28 days ordinary pay. L. G. B.
E.M. 2103.

Date 30.4.19

H. Galbraith Lt Col. S. C.
Major General Army G.O.C. 2nd Cav.

M.A. 14898

Newfoundland.

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Newfield

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Newfoundland

58 Victoria

1. 1 D. Haugflot. sou. Pte Baker. N. of metal ring. B.
R57.

1 Denture. Razor
in case. Knife:
Badge. 2 Gold
coins.

Ortiz O'Brien
257 Hoops. The
Canadian
Section

1486

[Handwritten signature]

77

TO, The Chief Quartermaster,
Royal Newfoundland Regiment,
58 Victoria Street,
London, S.W.

Sir:-

Please charge the amounts set opposite my name to my account and pay it to the N.F.C.A. "Prisoners of War Fund" in quarterly instalments for the period of one year.

Commencing on the 1st July 1918.

Regtl. No.	Rank	Name	Amount	Signature
5041	Pte.	Daker N. N.	\$250	N. Daker

I have the honour to be, Sir,
~~for the Committee,~~
Your obedient servant.

Date

July 1/18

N. Daker

Baker, Leo

5041

Receipt

ORIGINAL.

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST. to 191 Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps **ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.**
 No. 5041 Rank Pte Name Baker M.
 Died (Intestate) at France on the 3rd of February 1919.
 Deserted at on the of 1919.

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

 Commanding Squadron, Troop,
 Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Form 1.

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month ^{3/2/19}	4	10	10
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to			
		£	s.	d.	Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to			
	191				Messing allowance days at from to			
	"				Kit allowance			
	"							
	"							
	Consolidated stoppage							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	4	10	10	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	4	10		£	4	10

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to 12 JUN 1919 and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

CHECKED.

12 JUN 1919

I hereby certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance is correctly chargeable against the Public Account of the NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Dated at
 this



 CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE OF RECORDS
 Paymaster.

- (a) Here state whether the soldier died intestate, or whether he left a Will. In the latter case the Will should be annexed hereto, if not already sent to War Office with Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.
 (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

ORIGINAL

Army Form 1) 1425.

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Table with columns: Date, Dr., £ s. d., Cr., £ s. d.
Rows include: Balance Dr. last month, Cash issues, Consolidated stoppage, Balance due by the Paymaster, Balance Cr. last month, Pay days at, Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay, Messing allowance, Kit allowance, Balance due to the Paymaster.

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to 2 JUN 1919 and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

CHECKED: 2 JUN 1919

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT
LONDON, E.W.
12 JUN 1919

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS

I hereby certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance is a Victoria Cross, and is directly chargeable against the Contingent.
Dated at this day of 1919.

FORM K

No 4378



1ST. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ALLOTMENTS

I, Nero Baker, Regl. No. 5841

hereby agree, until further notification by me, and, in similar official form to make an Allotment of Twenty Dollars and 00 Cents, per diem, from my Pay, to, and for the benefit of the undermentioned Person ^{and} _{or} Persons, such payment to be made on proof of identity of, and production of the relative Identity Certificates by the Person ^{and} _{or} Persons concerned, viz: 8-6-18

Allotment begins.....

Identity Certificate No.	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative or Friend	NAME (in full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
144	Mother	Mrs James (widow) Baker	Hearts Content D. B.	60
			Total Allotment, \$	60

NOTE.—This form must be completed by the Officer Commanding Company, signed by the Volunteer, countersigned by the Officer Commanding Company and handed to the Paymaster as authority to make the required payments on application.

Sig.) A. B. Summers Sr.

Officer Commanding B. Company

Dr. Johns

8-6- 191 8

(S) Nero X Baker
Private
(Rank) Private

GEORGE, Aug. 9, 1919

Mrs. Cecilia Baker,
Heart's Content,
T.B.

Dear Madam:

I enclose herewith
cheque for \$31.09, balance of estate of
late Pte. H. Baker, due you as Adminis-
tratrix of his estate.

I am also enclosing
Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,

Capt.
Paymaster & C i/c Records.

IM/
Enc. 2.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 3109

July 25th 1919

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of Thirty one ⁰⁹ Dollars.
~~amount~~
balance of Pay. Estat.

Ch. No. 4352	Initials. E.W.
Pay Ledger. 24	Initials. W.
Gen. Ledger.....	Initials.....

Regtl. No. J.C.H. Rank

No. 5041

Rank Pfc

Name

N. Baker

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

Forms
B 121.
39.Number of Sheet OneRegiment of Royal NewfoundlandSignature of O. C. Company C. D. Dickson *Lieut*

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay
No.	<u>Baker Mess.</u>	Age on	<u>26</u> years <u>5</u> months	<u>Fisherman</u>	
Joined	Date	Place and Date of Enlistment	<u>St. John's</u>	Religion	
Joined	Date	Period of } with Colours <u>26 1/2</u> years. with Reserve <u>30 1/2</u> years.	<u>15. 5. 18</u>	<u>R.M.</u>	
Joined	Date		Place of Birth	<u>Heart's Content</u>	
Joined	Date				

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness.	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS
				<u>Died of Wounds</u>	<u>3 2/19</u>				

To be carried over

No. 5041 Name. Baker
.....

To Certify that I have received the AB 64 of the above
named soldier.

Name. Mrs. J. M. Baker

Date. July 18th / 20

Place. Hearst Content

N.B. For completion and return to the Department of Militia
Insert in corner of envelope "AB 64"

Rgt. Thompson's Regt.

Casualty Report.

No 5041. Pte. N. Baker

Accidentally Wounded, night of 2/2/19
Died at about 2 p.m. 13/2/19

No 4596 Pte. B. Galloway.

Accidentally Wounded, night of 2/2/19

4-2-19.

A. S. Morrison for
13/2/19
OFFICER IN CHARGE
MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

5041

Hearts Content

September

21

1921

Dear Sir I received the
medals alright and
was very thankful
for it

Yours truly
Mr James Baker

4826

5807