



# First Newfoundland Regiment

## ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 526

Name in full Hugh Pierson Bowden Age 18

Address Wesleyville

Married Single Height 5'6" Weight 140

Color Fair Hair Brown Eyes Blue

Other distinguishing marks Scar over left eye, mole on right breast

Nearest relative Father, George P Bowden m.d.

Address Wesleyville

Dependents -

Occupation At School Present Wage -

Previous service -

Decorations -

General Remarks -

Date of Enlistment -

I, Hugh Pierson Bowden, do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty and that I will faithfully serve His Majesty in any place where I may be needed (or in the Colony of Newfoundland as the case may be) against all his enemies and opposers whatsoever according to the conditions of my service.

*Witness of War*  
*Hugh Pierson Bowden*  
*13 Sept 1914*  
*Witness*

H.P. Bowden

Declared before me this first day  
of October 1914

J. Woodman

Sept. 15

# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.

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

Reg. No. 26

Name Hugh Pierson Bowden

Apparent age 18 years \_\_\_\_\_ months. Height 5 feet 6 inches.

Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded \_\_\_\_\_ inches.  
Range of expansion \_\_\_\_\_ inches.

Distinctive marks Color: Fair, Hair: Brown, Eyes: Blue

Other distinguishing marks: Scar over left eye, mole on right breast

## INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin George F. Bowden M.D., Wesleyville, Newfoundland

| 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	Regt. or Depot	Promotions, 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. O. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					years	days	years	days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>15/9/14</u>									
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>15th September '14</u>									
		<u>Pyrexia</u>		<u>12/11/15</u>					
		<u>Fatigue</u>		<u>24/11/16</u>					
Total Service forfeited as above .. .. .									
Total Service towards Engagement to _____ (date of discharge) _____ years _____ days									
" " " Pension " _____ ( " ) _____ " _____ "									

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<p><i>Embarked S.S. Florizel for U.K. 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov. Embarked H.M.S. 20<sup>th</sup> Nov. Disembarked                  Hey and entrance for Cairo 31<sup>st</sup> Nov. Embarked for Gallipoli 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. Landed                  Subra Bay night of 19-20 Sept 16. Admitted H.S. 500th battl PYREXIA 16-11-15                  Admitted 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. Hey. 20-11-15. Invalided to England 6-12-15. Admitted                  V.A.D. Hospital Perth Scotland. 9-12-15. Furlough Home Battalion Depot 5-2-16                  Embarked Southampton 28-3-16 Disembarked Colun 30-3-16 Joined Battalion 4-7-16                  Admitted 89<sup>th</sup> F.A. INFLUENZA 14-7-16 Joined Base Depot H 8-16 Joined Battalion 1-9-16                  Admitted 66<sup>th</sup> Shell Hound Arms 8-9-16 Invalided to England 12-9-16 Admitted                  Wandsworth 12-9-16 Furlough Home Battalion Depot 11-10-16 Embarked Totton 3-6-17                  Disembarked Boulogne 13-6-17 Joined Battalion 19-6-17</i></p>									
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Total Service towards Engagement to 20-11-17 (date of discharge) 3 years 67 days  
 " " " Pension " " " " " " " " " " " "

H. D. Bowden.

526

P. R. O.



ACKT dated	/ /	No. IN
Received	/ /	
REPLY dated	/ /	_____
Received	/ /	
LASI Ref No.		
NEXT " "		

6971/267/R.&.G.

(528)

The Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

6th May, 1919

26 PTE. H. P. BOWDEN.

June 14th 1919.

With reference to the following letter from Mrs. Bowden, Wesleyville dated 16/3/19 (2638):

Dear Major Timewell,  
So often we have troubled you during the long years of war and we thank you sincerely for all the pains you have taken to help us in every way. Once again I trust you will pardon us for troubling you.

There is a matter on which we should wish to be enlightened and on which we had not thought there was need for information until a few days ago.

In the letter you sent us in July past, written by Capt. Clift in which he gave Sergt. Peter Kelly's statement as to how our son met his death, we found that our boy was called "E. Cpl. Bowden" twice. I wrote Sergt. Kelly after, asking why he called our son Lance Corporal to which he replied last November (and I also went to see Sergt. Kelly on his return to Nfld. I saw him in December). He replied by letter, and told me personally, our boy was made L.Cpl. the early part of Nov. 1917, while they were resting in the village called Berles au Bois, before they went into the Cambrai battle. He says he (Sergt. Kelly) also received another stripe the day our boy received his L.Cpl. stripe and that Hugh went into the Cambrai battle as L.Cpl. in charge of a section.

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(Sgd) A. E. HICKMAN  
Minister of Militia.

(In. Ref. No. 4573)

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Thanking you in anticipation.

I remain, yours truly,

(Sgd) Elizabeth Bowden.

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Capt.,

For Chief Staff Officer.

(London)

HA/NV

Telephone:  
VICTORIA 4923 & 4.

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Communications to be addressed to the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/O RECORDS.

## MEMORANDUM.

No. 6971/267/R.&.G. (526)

From  
**PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,**  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.1.  
8th May, 1919.

To  
The Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

**SUBJECT:**

526 PTE. H. P. BOWDEN.

Reference Nos.

**REPLY**

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*A. E. Aukerman*  
Minister of Militia

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF PAYMASTER  
4573  
9 JUL 1919  
*[Handwritten signature]*

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NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
58, VICTORIA ST.  
LONDON, S.W.  
MAY 31 1916 ARMY FORM B. 178

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
58, VICTORIA ST.  
LONDON, S.W.  
JAN 15 1916  
RECORD OFFICE

To be used (a) for recruits enlisting direct into the Regular Army, and (b) for men of the Territorial Force when they are admitted to Hospital. Army Form B. 178A to be used for Special Reserve recruits and Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

### MEDICAL HISTORY of

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
58, VICTORIA ST.  
LONDON, S.W.  
OCT - 3 1916  
RECORD OFFICE

Surname Bowden Christian Name H.

#### TABLE I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace ... Parish \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Examined ... { on 5 JUN 1916 day of 1916 ,  
at \_\_\_\_\_

Declared Age ... years \_\_\_\_\_ days.

Trade or Occupation ... \_\_\_\_\_

Height ... feet \_\_\_\_\_ inches.

Weight ... lbs. \_\_\_\_\_

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully Expanded \_\_\_\_\_ inches.  
Range of Expansion \_\_\_\_\_ inches.

Physical Development ... \_\_\_\_\_

Vaccination Marks { Arm ... Right \_\_\_\_\_ Left \_\_\_\_\_  
Number \_\_\_\_\_

When Vaccinated ... \_\_\_\_\_

Vision ... { R.E.—V= \_\_\_\_\_  
L.E.—V= \_\_\_\_\_

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease ... { (a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection ... { (b) \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Rank) \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical Officer.

Enlisted ... { at \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1916 .

Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regt. No.
...	<u>1st Newfoundland Regt.</u>	<u>576</u>
Transferred to	...	...

Became non-effective by ...  
on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1916 .

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Rank) Pvt.

Table II.—Only for Admissions to Hospital or to the Sick List in the case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters:

Name of Hospital.	Admitted to Hospital.			Discharged from Hospital.			Disease.	Number of Days in Hospital.	Remarks bearing on the cause, nature, or treatment of the case, likely to be of interest or of future use. In cases of syphilis, admissions and re-admissions to hospital will be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars of treatment out of hospital, transfers, &c., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.	Signature of Medical Officer.
	Day.	Month.	Year.	Day.	Month.	Year.				
G.A.D. Pult.	19	12	15				Deplet		Patient weak & exhausted on admission rest in bed, nourishing diet. 24th Dec. allowed up much better 31. Dec. Patient transferred to auxiliary hospital	<i>[Signature]</i>
U.S. Auxiliary Hospital Pitlochry	31	12	16	14	1	16		27	Fit to light duty being to be fit for service wound healing also well	J.P. Wilson M.D. 10.1.16 W. H. G. G. G. G.
8th LONDON GENERAL HOSPITAL WANDSWORTH.	13	9	16	25	9	16	A.S.W. VIII 1	13	wounded in France. 7 Sept. 1916. small wound on left elbow. no bone injury. Dressing considerable	<i>[Signature]</i> Capt. K. K. K.
	4	12	16							
	25	12	16	30	12	16	S.S.W. VIII	27	R.B. left in situ. Causing no inconvenience	<i>[Signature]</i> Capt.



Admitted 13.9.16.

Army Form W. 3316.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 1916

(1) To the Officer i/c Records,

58 Victoria St

A.W. (Station.)

(2) The Officer Commanding,

Newfoundland Contingent

Qu. (Station.)

(3) The Paymaster,

58 Victoria St

A.W. (Station.)

Regimental No. 526.

Rank and Name Pte Bowden H.

Regiment or Corps 1<sup>st</sup> Newfoundland Contingent

has been granted a furlough from Sept 25<sup>th</sup> to Oct 4<sup>th</sup>

His address while on leave will be:—

58 Victoria St. A.W.

*This man has been furnished with a warrant to Victoria and given an advance of £1. (one pound).*

I consider he is fit for\* <sup>Duty.</sup> ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~

Horace Tegan Capt. R.A.M.S.(F)  
Registrar, R.A.M.C.T.  
Officer in charge 3rd London General Hospital,  
WANDSWORTH, S. W.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Station.)

\* Strike out that which is inapplicable.

Four copies to be made, and one copy sent to each Officer mentioned above and one copy filed in the office.



Ref. Med. 123

No. 602Date 11th Jan. 1916

(1) To the Officer i/c Records,

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Station).

(2) The Officer Commanding,

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Station).

(3) The Paymaster,

Army Pay Office,58, Victoria St. S.W. (Station).Regimental No. 526Rank and Name Private Bowden, H.Regiment or Corps 1/ Newfoundland Reg.has been granted a furlough from 14th Jan. to 24th Jan. 1916.

His address while on leave will be :-

c/o - Hastie,Inglewood,20. Orchard Terrace, Hawick.I consider he is fit for \* Duty. & likely to be fit for service  
Light duty. overseas within 3 months.R.J. Wilson, M.B., Ch.B.,Officer in charge Temporary V.A.D. Hospital,Perth. (Station).

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ORIGINAL

N.F.P/L ALLOTMENTS

NOV 14 1916

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

CANCELLATION OF ALLOTMENT

I, (No.) 526 (Rank) Plat. (Name) J. Bowden.  
 hereby apply for cancellation of Allotment made by me on  
 N.F.K.No. 529 dated October 3/14 in favour  
 of Cpl G. F. Bowden. for \$ — cts 50  
 per diem. Such cancellation to take place from ( inclusive )  
 the 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 1916

I agree to accept all risks and consequences of this applica-  
 tion failing to reach Headquarters, St. John's, by mail in time  
 to become operative at above nominated **cancelling** date: and that  
 in the event of such non-delivery by mail, and thereby the Allot-  
 ment continuing to be paid to the Allottee, I also agree to such  
 further stoppage as may be thereby necessary being made against me  
 in the Pay Books, or otherwise to refund such overdrawn amount or  
 amounts.\*

Dated at Camp  
Nov 11<sup>th</sup> 1916.

J.P. Bowden

Allotter.

Approved and Witnessed.

J. Kinnear  
 C. C. "E" Company.

NOTED  
 M. Markin  
 C. C. M. S.  
 Date 14/11/16  
 Coy

NOTED  
 J. Stephenson  
 C. C. M. S.  
 Date 11.11.16  
 E. Coy

\*Attention is drawn to the fact that Allotments are payable by  
 Headquarters per Calendar, not Regimental month, and therefore  
 reasonable time must be allowed for delivery of this request  
 at St. John's, in order to become operative.

To be made out in triplicate and sent to the Paymaster & Officer  
 in Charge of Records, who will forward original to Headquarters by  
 first mail, duplicate by the following, and retain triplicate.

No. 526 Name *Bowden - '16.* Sqn., Batty., or Company } Corps *Newfoundland* Date of enlistment } G.C. Badges } Service or Proficiency Pay }  
 Date of last entry in Company Conduct Sheet } No. and date of last drunk } Period not reckoning towards freedom from extra fine } Sheet No. *Temporary* 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
<i>Rouen</i>	<i>12/8/16</i>	<i>Pte.</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>When on active service absent from medical inspection at 7 am after reporting sick</i>	<i>Lt Col Hull</i>	<i>10 days pay</i>	<i>15/8/16</i>	<i>Lt Col Glynn</i>
<i>Rouen</i>	<i>18/8/16</i>	<i>Pte.</i>		<i>When on active service absent from his duty when acting as Gun orderly</i>	<i>Sgt Hull</i> <i>S.M. Channell</i>	<i>24 hrs 1 days pay</i>	<i>18/8/16</i>	<i>Lt Col Glynn</i>
<i>Rouen</i>	<i>22/8/16</i>	<i>Pte.</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>When on active service breaking out of camp after Tattoo Roll call, &amp; remaining absent, until apprehended in the town by the Mil Police about 11:30 pm. &amp; being improperly dressed.</i>	<i>Sgt Hull</i> <i>Cpl. Smith</i> <i>Maj. Camden</i>	<i>7 days P.P. no 2</i>	<i>22/8/16</i>	<i>Lt Col Glynn</i>

Army Form B. 122

No. *526* Name *Bowden, H.* Sqn., Batty., or Company } *B.* Corps *1st. Newfoundland Regt.* Date of enlistment } *1st Dec 1914* G.C. Badges } Service or Proficiency Pay }  
 Date of last entry in Company Conduct Sheet } *5-7-15* No. and date of last drunk } Period not reckoning towards freedom from extra line } Sheet No. } Signature O.C. } *Cross Alexander Capt* Character *fair* Company, etc. }

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>1915</i>			<i>3. Absence. 2 disobedience.</i>					
<i>Cairo</i>	<i>5 Sept 15</i>	<i>PTI</i>		<i>Absent from Parade 5.30 pm.</i>	<i>S. Lt. Dicks</i>	<i>5 days C.P.</i>	<i>6-9-15</i>	<i>Capt Alexander</i>	<i>SDT</i>
<i>Louisiana</i>	<i>9-6-16</i>	<i>"</i>		<i>Deficient of Great Coat &amp; Rubber Sheet.</i>	<i>Sgt. Knight,</i>	<i>Dismissed.</i>	<i>9-6-16</i>	<i>Lt. Col. Hadlow</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>26-6-16</i>	<i>"</i>		<i>" " Water Bottle.</i>	<i>Lieut. Shortall,</i>	<i>Pay for Same</i>	<i>26-6-16</i>	<i>Lt. Col. Hadlow</i>	

Army Form B. 122

# OFFICE COPY.

Army Form O. 1625.

**PAY LIST.**

to

191 . Voucher No.

## NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps *Royal Newfoundland Regiment*  
 No. *526* Rank *Private* Name *Bowden H.P.*  
 Died (a) *Intestate* at *France* on the *20<sup>th</sup>* of *November* 191*7*.  
 Deserted at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 191*7*.

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 <i>20/11</i> .....	13	9	0
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	£ s. d. 191				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
					Messing allowance days at _____ from _____ to _____			
					Kit allowance .....			
					Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
					Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
					Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	13	9	0	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£ 13	9	0		£ 13	9	0

COPY SENT TO  
 O.C. H.Q.  
 ST. JOHNS, N.F.L.D.  
*B279*  
 No. *16881/171*  
 DATED *23/10*  
 Consolidated stoppage .....

CHECKED  
*2/6*  
*12/10/18*

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ \_\_\_\_\_ is correctly chargeable against the Public (b).

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 191 . \_\_\_\_\_ 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.



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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

Perth

Ref. No. 202.

Rec'd. JAN 19 1916

Ask'd.

Ans'd.

Charges  
to pay

s. d.

Handed  
in at

11.45

Received  
here at

12.39/6

TO

Paymaster Newfoundland Contingent  
58 Victoria St Westminster Ldn

File No.

Reference	med	123	<del>Army</del>	Army
forms	W. 3016	despatched	to	now
11 <sup>th</sup>	January	Number	526	Bowden
Pte	H.	First	Newfoundland Regiment	
States	he	has	Received	no
Pay	since	going	on	furlough



# MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message \_\_\_\_\_

Prefix _____ Code _____ m.	Words _____ Charge _____	This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at _____ m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.	Sent _____		Date _____
	At _____ m.	Service.	From _____
	To _____	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By _____
	By _____		

TO {	V.A.D.	Hospital		
		Perth.		

Sender's Number * 14	Day of Month Jan. 19, 1916.	In reply to Number	AAA
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No	request	for	pay	received
number	526	Bowden	shall	I
post	money	order	address	given
Hawick.		Paymaster		
		Newfoundland	Contingent.	

From			
Place			
Time			

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z)

Censor.

Signature of Addressor or person authorized to telegraph in his name

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.



1ST N.W. FOUNDLAND REGIMENT  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE

*Perth*

Charges } s. d.  
to pay }

Ref. No. *206.*  
JAN 20 1916

Handed } *7 10* Received } *8 28*  
in at } p.m. here at }

TO  
File No.

*Paymaster Newfoundland  
Bonbright 58 Victoria St  
Westm Lotw*

*Reference 14 Jan 1916  
please send no 526 Bowden  
usual furlough money to Hawick  
address V a D Hospital Perth*

20, January, 6.

193/1.

No.526, Pte. H. Bowden,

1/1 Newfoundland Regiment,

Hawick, Scotland.

Pay & Allowances.

Telegrams from V.A.D.Hospital, Perth, have been exchanged with reference to your pay. So far no request has come from you, which should have been the case, see enclosed slip.

Meanwhile on the representation of the Hospital authorities, Money Order <sup>LS</sup> on account of Pay & Allowances due you is enclosed herein, together with form of receipt for signature and return to this Office, please.

Capt.

Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

Hawick

Charges } s. d.  
to pay }



Handed } 12.10p Received } 1. 19p  
in at } here at }

TO { Capt Timewell, 58 Victoria St  
Ldn SW

Please wire money immediately  
if possible

Hugh P. Bowden

THE NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	236
Rec'd.	JAN 21 1916
Acc'd.	
Ans'd.	
File No.	



REGISTRAR'S OFFICE.

TELEPHONE No. 56.

TEMPORARY V.A.D. HOSPITAL,

OLD INFIRMARY BUILDINGS,

The Paymaster  
Newfoundland Contingent

20/1/16

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE

Ref. No. 229.  
JAN 21 1916

re .No.526 Bowden, H.Pte I/ Newfoundland R

*526 Bowden*

Sir,

The above man reported yesterday that he had received no furlough pay nor ration allowance since proceeding on furlough on January 14th as we advised you by telegram yesterday- Would you kindly let me know if you didnot receive Army Form W 3016 - ref: Med.123 despatched to you on Jan: 11th 1916-from this office- giving the mans address while on furlough & also if you do not supply the members of the Newfoundland Contingent with pay & ration allowance due for their ten days furlough -  
Two more members of your Contingent

No. 499 Martin, Pte I/ Newfoundland R

No .939 Vardy, Pte " " "

have had Army Form W. 3016 despatched to you this week notifying that they are proceeding on furlough - which doubtless you have received by now.

Yours faithfully

*M. H. Bullock*

County Director, Perthshire Branch B.R.C.S



REGISTRAR'S OFFICE.

TELEPHONE No. 56.

TEMPORARY V.A.D. HOSPITAL,  
 OLD INFIRMARY BUILDINGS,

The Paymaster  
 Newfoundland Contingent

20/1/16

1ST PERTH NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	229.
JAN 21 1916	

*526 Bowden*

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County Director, Perthshire Branch B.R.C.S

223/1.

21st January 6.

The County Director,  
Perthshire Branch B.R.C.S.,  
Temporary V.A.D. Hospital,  
Old Infirmary Buildings, Perth.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 20th inst. relating to No. 526, Pte. Bowden: this man has since been supplied with funds, as also has No.939, Pte. Vardy. I am writing to No. 499, Pte. Martin to determine what money he wants. The A.Fs. W.3016 reached this Office in each of the above cases.

As the majority of men of the 1st Newfoundland Regt. are in hospitals around London, the custom has been to make their pay settlements when they call at this office. It will be necessary for men, in a like position to those at Perth, to write the Paymaster submitting their requests in good time to receive money for their furlough.

The receipt of A.F. W.3016 is not in itself sufficient authority to remit a man's pay to the address stated thereon. The request should come from the man himself. Some men of this Contingent do not wish to draw all their accumulated pay, but merely a portion, in which case it would be imperative to know the exact wishes ~~of these men~~

Address Reply to:

526 The H.P. Bowdens  
Newfoundland Regt.  
France

April 2<sup>nd</sup>  
1916

Paymaster  
Allied Regt  
Payt Record Office  
58 Victoria St.  
London.

Dear Sir;

Please send enclosed cable  
immediately & charge to my account  
And Oblige

Yours faithfully  
H.P. Bowdens

NEWFOUNDLAND
PAY RECORD OFFICE
NO. 1138
APR 9 1916

Confirmatory Copy Cable No 193  
mailed 1/4/16

Mrs Bowden  
Wesleyville

Please send two pounds  
immediately have written  
love

Hughie



WATCH  
 Cas.  
 ACTED UPON  
 BY  
 DATE *Sent*

*Francis*  
*July 8/16*

*Paymaster,  
Afld. P & R Office  
London*

*Sir,*

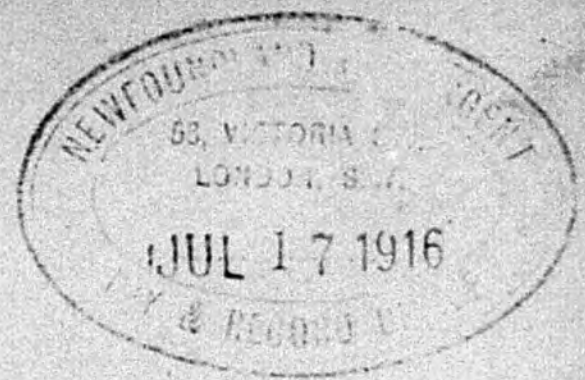
*Please send enclosed message  
immediately & charge to my account  
and oblig.*

*Very Sincerely,  
H. P. Bowdler*

*H. P. Bowdler*

*Copy  
5/2/16  
H. P. Bowdler  
1/1 Newfoundland Reg.  
Francis*

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT  
 PAY & RECORD OFFICE  
 Ref. No. *2609*  
 Rec'd. *1111 7-10-16*  
 Ack'd.  
 Ans'd.  
 File No.



Mrs Bowden  
Wesleyville

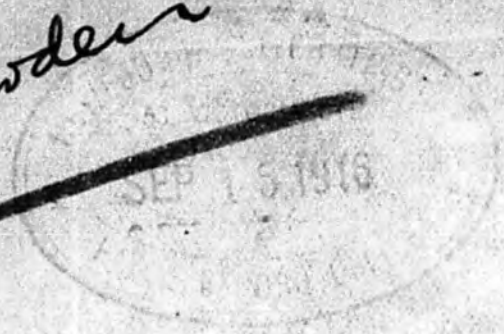
Cheer up still going strong  
writing love  
Hughes  
+



Wandsworth  
London

---

026 Bowden



Mrs Bowden

Wesleyville

Slight wound arm doing fine writing

Love

Hugh

H.P. Bowden

Ward A2 Wandsworth.

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

Office 8



St Johns Inf

Charges } s. d.  
to pay }

3978/3

Handed }  
in at }

.M., Received here at } 7 95 .M.

TO { Wsm Synoptical Lan

He H D

For 526 Bowden How is  
wound progressing anxious did you  
receive cable of sixteenth mother  
Colonial Secty

SEP 27 1916



3<sup>rd</sup> London General Hospital  
Sept 14/16

B.I.  
Cas.  
ACTED UPON

Paymaster  
Newfoundland Pay + Record Office,  
London.

Sir:-

Please send enclosed message as soon  
as possible + charge to my account.

Is it possible to get a £ or  
or two as I am in need of a few small  
necessary articles? If so please send it to  
me as soon as possible

and Oblige  
Yours truly  
H. P. Bowden

# 526 Pte. H. P. Bowden  
Afld Regt  
Ward

A 2, Bed 9  
3 London General Hospital

3395  
SEP 15 1916  
Adm.  
Supt.  
Phs. No.

3828/2

15th September, 6.

Paymaster & O. i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street, S.W.  
No. 526, Pte. H. Bowden,  
3rd London General Hospital,  
Wandsworth, S.W.

Referring to your letter 14/9/16: the message has been transmitted to Newfoundland as desired.

With regard to Pay, you will see from the enclosed leaflet that soldiers are not permitted to have money whilst in hospital except with the written consent of the Medical Officer. If therefore you obtain his approval and return enclosed form completed, an advance will be made of the money due to you. Meanwhile your name has been specially mentioned to the Newfoundland War Contingent Association, who will supply you with Comforts.

2/Lieut.,  
for Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

3832/21

15th September, 6.

The Hon. Secretary,  
Newfoundland War Contingent Assoc'n.,  
58, Victoria Street, S.W.

No. 526, PTE. H. P. BOWDEN.

A letter has today been received from No. 526, Pte. H.P. Bowden, stating that he is in hospital at Wandsworth and would like money to buy "a few necessary articles". I have replied telling him that he is not permitted to have money whilst in hospital but that his name is being specially mentioned to you for the supply of Comforts.

2/Lieut.,  
for Paymaster & O. i/c Records.



Ayr  
Scotland  
Oct. 9/16

Pay + Record Office  
58 Victoria St.  
London S.W.

Dear Sir;

Please send enclosed message as quickly  
as possible + charge to my account. Send it  
E.F.M. or the quickest way possible  
And Oblige

Yours Truly  
Hugh P. Bowden.

526 Pt. H. P. Bowden

Afld Regt

Afld Depot

Ayr.

PAY + RECORD OFFICE	
Doc. No.	3763
Date	OCT 10 1916
Acc'd	
Ans'd	
File No.	



FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

ORIGINAL

REGIMENT OR CORPS } "1st Newfoundland Regt." Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } \_\_\_\_\_

B. Co.



Regimental No. 526 Rank Private.

Surname Bowden. Christian Names H.

Died { Date 20/11/17. Place France.

Cause of Death\* Killed in Action

Nature and Date of Report B 213 d/23/11/17.

By whom made O.C. Unit.

DUPLICATE COPY SENT TO O.C. H.Q. ST JOHNS, N.F.L.D. N.F.P. 38. NO. 14377/103 DATED 21 DEC 1917

\* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

State whether he leaves a Will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not received. (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not received. (c) as a separate document Not received.

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon.

Station and Date } 27/11/17. Signature of Officer in charge of Section } [Signature]  
Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

2nd Lt. for Major,  
Officer i/c No. 1 Infantry Section.

No.

725

# WESTERN UNION

ANGLO-AMERICAN  DIRECT UNITED STATES  
CABLEGRAM

Prefix _____		Code _____		At _____		FOR STAMPS	
WORDS		CHARGE		To _____		By _____	
				<b>VIA WESTERN UNION</b>			
THIS FORM WILL BE ACCEPTED AT ALL POST OFFICE TELEGRAPH STATIONS.							

10 Oct. 1916

TO PREVENT MISTAKES PLEASE WRITE DISTINCTLY.

To E.F.M. MRS. BOWDEN

WESLEYVILLE, (NEWFOUNDLAND)

ARM BETTER ON FURLOUGH SEND MONEY SOON POSSIBLE.

HUGH BOWDEN.

Authorised.

NOT TO BE  
TELEGRAPHED.

Having read the conditions printed on the back hereof, I request that the above telegram be forwarded by the Western Union Telegraph-Cable System, subject to the said conditions to which I agree.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address **58 Victoria St., S.W.**

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Mrs Bowden  
Wesleyville

725



Am Better On Lurlough send money soon  
Possible

Hugh.

From H. Bowden.

NFLD Regt  
Ayr.



O.C. 21 Nfld Rgt.



Ref. 2052 Madin, Pte.

Not fit for overseas: Classed  
Cij for 1 month.

Disability pain in knee from old  
Sheepnet wound. F. B. Said to be  
left in situ.

Ref. 526 Bowden Pte.

This man is not down for a  
Newfoundland party. He is to be  
X Roped for Sheepnet in left elbow.  
For an opinion as to removal

J. H. Wilson  
A. R. R. R.

arr

m. o.

18. X. 16



ORIGINAL

FORM K.

NOV 14 1916

No. 4009

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

ALLOTMENTS

I, H. Bowden Regtl No. 326

hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official form, to make an Allotment of        dollars and 30 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:- To date from Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> inclusive.

Identity Certif. No.	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative, or Friend.	NAME (In full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
	Mother.	Elizabeth Bowden.	Wesleyville N.S. Co.	30cts.

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.

(Sd.) J. J. ...  
Officer Commanding  
E Company.

(Sic.) H. P. Bowden

191 (Rank)

NOTED  
R. Martin  
C. G. M.  
Date 14/11/16 H. P. B.  
Co'y

NOTED  
D. Stephenson  
C. G. M.  
Date 11-11-16 E. O. S.

~~Capt Marshall~~

~~526 Mr H.P. Bowden.~~

~~One package of effects~~  
received from W.A.G.  
on 23-2-18 No 1035

Containing:—

~~Walter~~

~~Photos~~

~~Cards~~

~~Forwarded to M.M. on 7-3-18.~~

~~Without doubt this is~~

~~the package acknowledged.~~

~~No other effects have~~  
~~been received. please~~

~~Mr. Effect Bonds~~

SERIAL No	REGTL No	RANK & NAME	DATE OF AWARD	AUTHORITY	RECORD.
<del>526</del>	<del>176</del>	<del>PFC J. E. B. NIEOL</del>	9/10/17	S/O/D.	As Company Messenger
526		PTE. H. P. BOWDEN.		No 6 D.R.O. vs/11/17	he always got his messages through under heavy shelling. MG's & snipers 9/10/17



Temp. a/c.

CO. 3<sup>rd</sup> Div

NO. 526 RANK Private NAME H Bowden

ALLOTMENT 50

Date	P.M.As. etc	Amount	PAY	Amount
	Dr. Balance		Credit Balance <u>14/14</u>	2 13 5
	<u>Hospital</u>	1 00 ✓	Exchange " _____	101
	<u>A.B. 64</u>		<u>PAY @ NET RATE</u>	
	<u>E.F.M.</u>	2 8 1/2 ✓	From <u>15/14</u> To <u>25/19</u> = <u>16 1/2</u> days	20 4 5 ✓
	<u>E. Mills St Johns</u>	5 10 ✓	@ <u>60</u>	<u>\$ 98.40</u>
	<u>Alms etc</u>	2 7 ✓	From _____ To _____ days	<u>\$ 22 17 10 ✓</u>
	<u>Cig Rolls</u>	3 0 3 ✓	@ _____	
	<u>P. &amp; R.O.</u>	4 5 0 ✓	From _____ To _____ days	
	<u>Uniform.</u>		@ _____	
	<u>Infantry Pay #990</u>	2 0 8 ✓	From _____ To _____ days	
	<u>9 days @ 1.10</u>		@ _____	
		<u>10 17 0 1/2 ✓</u>		



Killed in action  
20/11/17

25, Shevingham Avenue,  
Dollentham. N. 14.  
28<sup>th</sup> December 1917.

The Newfoundland Contingent  
Pay & Record Office,  
26, Victoria St., S.W.

Dear Sirs,

I have had a letter  
returned to me which I wrote to  
No. 526, Pte H P Bowden,  
B Company,  
1<sup>st</sup> Newfoundland Regt. B. E. F.  
France.

marked "Killed," "Deceased" and  
"Verified" and I shall be glad  
to know if you can give me



No. 1156

# ANGLO-AMERICAN WESTERN UNION DIRECT UNITED STATES CABLEGRAM



Prefix _____ Code _____		SENT		FOR STAMPS	
WORDS	CHARGE	At _____	To _____	By _____	THIS FORM WILL BE ACCEPTED AT ALL POST OFFICE TELEGRAPH STATIONS.
7		<b>VIA ANGLO.</b>			

13/11/17 TO PREVENT MISTAKES PLEASE WRITE DISTINCTLY.

To **EPM BOWDEN**  
**WESLEYVILLE (Newfoundland)**

526 BOWDEN FRANCE

SYNOPTICAL

$$\begin{array}{r} 7\frac{1}{2} \\ 2\frac{1}{2} \\ \hline 14\frac{1}{2} \\ 3\frac{1}{2} \\ \hline 17\frac{1}{2} \\ 1-5\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

*Charge to the Public*  
~~Wesleyville~~

(Authorised)

**NOT TO BE TELEGRAPHED.**

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Address **58 Victoria St. S.W. I.**

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No. 1049

# ANGLO-AMERICAN WESTERN UNION DIRECT UNITED STATES CABLEGRAM



Prefix _____		Code _____		At _____		FOR STAMPS
WORDS	CHARGE	To _____	By _____	SENT		
12		<b>VIA ANGLO.</b>				THIS FORM WILL BE ACCEPTED AT ALL POST OFFICE TELEGRAPH STATIONS.

25/10/17 TO PREVENT MISTAKES PLEASE WRITE DISTINCTLY.

To EFM MISS JEAN BOWDEN  
WESLEYVILLE  
(Newfoundland)

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS YOURSELF DAD LOVE

HUGHIE BOWDEN

CHECKED  
HBS

12 1/2  
 2 1/2  
 -----  
 24 6  
 -----  
 30  
 -----  
 2/6

CHARGED  
 PAY BOOK No 11  
 Date 25/10/17 by R.H.B.

Charge to  
526 H.V. Bowden.

(Authorised)

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TELEGRAPHED.

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No.

1050

# ANGLO-AMERICAN

## WESTERN UNION



## DIRECT UNITED STATES

# CABLEGRAM

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WORDS	CHARGE	At _____	To _____	By _____	
14		<b>VIA ANGLO.</b>		THIS FORM WILL BE ACCEPTED AT ALL POST OFFICE TELEGRAPH STATIONS.	

25/10/17 TO PREVENT MISTAKES PLEASE WRITE DISTINCTLY.

To **EFM MISS SOPHIE KRAN**  
**FRIENDS HOSPITAL**  
**FRANKFORT PHILADELPHIA**

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS AND LOVE

HUGHIE BOWDEN

14  
 2 1/2  
 -----  
 28  
 7  
 -----  
 35  
 2/11

CHECKED  
 A0202

CHARGED  
 PAY BOOK No 11  
 MADE BY R. H. H.

Charge to  
 526 H. W. Bowden.

(Authorised)

NOT TO BE TELEGRAPHED.

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

58 Victoria St. S.W. I.

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No. 1021

# ANGLO-AMERICAN WESTERN UNION DIRECT UNITED STATES CABLEGRAM



Prefix _____ Code _____		SENT		FOR STAMPS	
WORDS	CHARGE	At _____	To _____	By _____	
14		<b>VIA ANGLO.</b>			

THIS FORM WILL BE ACCEPTED AT ALL POST OFFICE TELEGRAPH STATIONS.

22/10/17 TO PREVENT MISTAKES PLEASE WRITE DISTINCTLY.

To EFM MRS BOWDEN  
WESLEYVILLE (Newfoundland)

STILL GOING STRONG AND HAPPY LOVE TO ALL

HUGHIE BOWDEN

$$\begin{array}{r}
 14 \frac{1}{2} \\
 \hline
 28 \\
 \hline
 35 \\
 \hline
 2-11 \checkmark
 \end{array}$$

Charge to  
Pte 526 N. Bowden

CHECKED.  
*HOOP*

CHARGED  
PAY FOR 11  
Dpt 25.10.17 by *He*

(Authorised)

NOT TO BE TELEGRAPHED.

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Address 58 Victoria St. S.W. I.

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# CABLEGRAM

No. \_\_\_\_\_



No. of Message 25 Date, 12 NOV 1917

The following CABLEGRAM received, at 10 53 M. "Via Commercial Cables,"

From Wesleyville n.f. No. of Words, 11

To Synoptical London

Is 526 Bowden now in

England cable immediately

Bowden

*B.S.F.*

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	<u>16489</u>
Rec'd.	<u>13 NOV 1917</u>
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BY	<u>[Signature]</u>
DATE	

*All  
S. M.  
1156  
to Bowden*

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BY: <i>[Signature]</i>
DATE: <i>[Signature]</i>
Record Office

The Paymaster  
 of Field Payt.  
 58 Victoria St.  
 London SW.

Dear Sir,-

Please send the enclosed  
 message as soon as possible  
 & charge to my account &  
 you will greatly oblige

Yours Truly

526 H. P. Bowden

526
Ref. No. 16072
Rec'd. 22 OCT 1917
Ac'd. 22/17

H. P. Bowden  
 Newfoundland Regt  
 B.E.F.

France



R.M.



Oct 12/17

1021

Mrs

Bowden

Wesleyville

(Newfoundland)

Still going strong &  
happy love to all

Hughie Bowden

BRANCH  
*Kds*  
 ACTED UPON  
 BY .....  
 DATE .....

Somewhere in France  
 Oct 21/17

The Paymaster  
 of Afld. Pay & Record Office  
 51 Victoria St  
 London W.C.

Cables  
 1029-1050  
 sent.

Dear Sir;

Please send enclosed messages  
 + charge to my account  
 + oblige

Yours truly  
 J. H. Bawden

*7*

*527*  
 J. H. Bawden,  
 B.C. of Afld. Regt.,  
 B.C.H.,  
 France.

1ST W. WOODLAND REGIMENT  
 PAY & RECORD OFFICE  
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 Rec'd. *25 OCT 1917*  
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 File No. ....

2<sup>nd</sup> S.A. No.

Miss Sophie Keane

Friends Hospital  
Frankfort. Philadelphia



Birthday Greetings and love  
Hughie Bowden

Mr B Bowden)

1050

3

1049

S.A. No.

Miss Jean Bowden

Wesleyville  
Newfoundland



Birthday greetings yourself Dad.  
love

Mr B Bowden)

Hughie Bowden

GEO. F. BOWDEN, M. D.

Kindly forward enclosed letter

Wasleyville, Newfoundland,

3920  
REGIMENT  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE  
Ref. No. 100  
Rec'd.  
Ack'd. June 28<sup>th</sup> 1917  
Ans'd. 73321  
File No.

Capt. Timewell,  
Mld. Pay & Record Office,  
58 Victoria Street  
London S.W., England

Dear Sir,

Enclosed is a letter returned from your office. This letter must have been in your office while my son was still in Scotland as he did not leave for France (where he now is) until June 3. via Folkestone. How about this?

We would like to know the surest way to address our letters or parcels so that prompt delivery would be assured. A field post card from our boy received same time as letter above referred to states that "no letters received lately" in spite of the fact that one has been sent from here each week. We are now sending a parcel addressed care of your office, which I trust will be duly forwarded

Yours truly  
Geo. F. Bowden



23rd July,

7.

7332/1.

Dr. G.F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville,  
Newfoundland.

Sir,

Postal Services: No. 526, Pte. H.P. Bowden

With reference to your letter 28/6/17 (3920) enclosing one addressed to your son: according to records in this office Pte. Bowden formed one of a reinforcement draft which left this country on 3/6/17 and in accordance with the present custom all mail matter for him would for a period of ten days be sent to the Base and after that to the 1st Battalion.

This procedure was carried out in the case of your letter, which, arriving on 4/6/17, the day after his embarkation, was immediately redirected to the Base Depot. Doubtless the mistake in returning the letter to Newfoundland occurred in the Post Office, London, through which it would pass for transmission to the B. E. F.

The parcel you refer to reached this office to-day and has been redirected and passed to the Army Post Office for transmission to the B. E. F. as customary.

As notified by this office to various Government departments in St. John's, and as understood has in turn been published by the Postmaster General, postal matter for members of the Contingent should be addressed:-

(Regt. No.)-----Rank----- Name-----  
c/o Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London, S. W. 1.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Major,

Paymaster & C. i/c Records.

HT/RWV

Arriving there 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. past;  
was sent - 15 Aug in Oct. to be  
traced for Shrapnell; was in  
Hospital in Glasgow a month  
coming out - New Year week.

There is an incident of the  
Battlefield of July 1<sup>st</sup> of which  
perhaps you have not heard and  
of which we would never have  
learned if Mrs Shortall (mother  
of Lieut. Richard Shortall) had not  
sent - 15 tell us of. Hugh has never  
referred to it in even the remotest  
way. It would never have been  
known if Mrs Shortall had not sent  
to England & Scotland to find to  
make enquiries as to how her son  
died. It seems that my son Hugh  
was one of the very few of No 5 Platoon  
- B Company who returned after the battle  
He was close to Lieut Shortall and  
saw him fall, but all was lost

Wesleyville B. B.  
Newfoundland.  
Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>

Major Linewell,  
Wp'd Pay & Record Office,  
London.

Dear sir: -

Possibly I am presuming  
in addressing this request to you.  
To us back here in Wp'd. you are  
the officer that comes first - with  
us in thinking of our Wp'd. sol-  
diers and we know of no one else  
who could so well help a request  
in connection with the Wp'd. Regt.

This is to ask if you will kindly  
use your influence to get - one son  
Hugh (526 - Plt. Hugh P. Bowden Coy B.

1st Battalion) an opportunity to go in training for a commission? We do not know the rules governing the matter; we only know that many other privates have either been given commissions or rather been put into training for commissions.

We are ready and willing to pay for all the requirements necessary as to outfit, or training also if payment is required.

Our boy volunteered away back in Aug. 1914 at the outbreak of the war, volunteered first for the Ambulance brigade of the 1st Regt. but that was filled; he then volunteered for the ranks and went with the 1st Contingent. He arrived on at Aldershot (Aug 1915)

for the duration of the war, - left then for Gallipoli, served there until included to Scotland in December (1915) went to France March 1916, served in the trenches until the Great Drive, July 1st. He went through that and was one of the 68 survivors who announced roll-call after that awful battle. He was not wounded though hit in the shoulder and under the arm - they both were but scratches and not sufficient to be sent to hospital for. He became ill while in red-billets about July 10th or 11th and was in hospital in France until Aug 25th when he again went to the front line trenches at Ypres where he was wounded in the arm on Sept. 7th or 10th and sent to Boulogne thence to Wandsworth



hip and side and suffering terribly. He got him on his back and crawled on again to try to get him to the trench; he was suffering so terribly that Hugh took him off his back and took him in his arms and brought him along to a gap in their own barbed wire or near their own trench; friend Shortall asked him to let him rest a while and while resting he died in Hugh's arms.

Hugh does not know yet (unless he has received recent letters) that we have ever heard of it. Mr. Shortall - who is an absolute stranger to us - was the first to send and tell us of it - now a boy who has done his

duty so well might well be recommended - to go into training for a commission if he is not singled out for any other recognition.

He is in Scotland still (or was up to Jan'y. 9<sup>th</sup>) and perhaps 'fit' by now to go back yet again to the firing-line. He has served his Country long and faithfully.

We are workers for the Empire and have given our all; the boy has never shirked his duty nor responsibility.

If you can get permission granted to have him go into training for a commission



we shall be forever grate-  
ful.

would thank you for a  
reply at your convenience  
I remain

Yours truly

L. (Mrs G. F.) Bowden

Wesleyville B. B.

Newfoundland

1ST N. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ord. No.	1052
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File No.	1631/1

went right on <sup>without stopping</sup> when near the  
German trenches Hugh brimely  
was hit and knocked down, but  
found he was not wounded  
(a mere scratch he called it).  
While down he dressed a boys  
wounds (they were not in a  
shell-hole) and tried to dig a  
hole to shelter them but could  
not manage it and he with the  
lad on his back and crawled  
towards their own trenches. When  
about half way back the boy was  
suffering so much he asked Hugh  
to put him on the ground but  
he would try to get on alone; while  
getting his breath after putting the  
boy on his back he looked about  
and saw Lieut. Shortall badly  
wounded and crawled to him  
to see if he could help him; he  
found him badly wounded in back

1st March,

7.

1831/1

Mrs. G. F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville, B.B.,  
Newfoundland.

526

Madam,

With reference to your letter 8/2/17 (1052), which I have read with interest, I may say that I have received by even mail a letter from H.E. the Governor of Newfoundland on the same subject, which I am forwarding to the proper quarter for consideration and information to enable me to reply.

It is understood that Pte. Bowden is at present serving with the 2nd Battalion, Ayr, Scotland, and I am also addressing a private note to his Commanding Officer.

I am,

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HT/NW

7

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Copy D.S.C. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>  
11/3/17  
1821/39  
1822/132

No. 15.

Major H.A. Timewell.

*Dept.*

Letter from Geo.F. Bowden Esq., M.D. of  
Wesleyville on behalf of his son No. 526 Hugh Bowden.

For information of Officers Commanding 1st and  
2nd Battalions. To be noted as a Candidate for a  
Commission.

*W. E. Davidson*

Governor.

15 February 1917.

INDIANA REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Det. No.	1046
Rec'd	FEB 28 1917
Ack'd	
Ans'd.	10/3/17
File No.	2101





Wesleyville,

Feb. 8th, 1917.

His Excellency  
Sir W. E. Davidson,  
Lieut.-Col. Newfoundland Regt.,  
St. John's.

Your Excellency,

I am very anxious to know if it is not possible to procure for my son Hugh (526 First Newfoundland Regt.) a Commission. If you will kindly bear with me I will endeavour to give you a short history of his achievements since leaving Newfoundland on the "Florizel" with the 1st Contingent.

He is a veteran of both Gallipoli and France. He has been wounded twice, viz: On the 1st of July when he and one other, of his Platoon, only, answered roll call after the engagement. On his way back to the Allied trenches he encountered a wounded comrade and after dressing his wounds endeavoured to bring him to safety on his back. After going a short distance the lad asked my boy to put him down, as he suffered severely, and he would try to crawl back himself. My boy then proceeded toward the trenches and came across his officer, Lieut. Shortall, who was mortally wounded and carried him back to a gap in the wire entanglements where the poor fellow died in my boy's arms. He was under fire all this time. We would never have known of this incident had not Mrs. Shortall written to Lieut. Nunns to know how her boy died, and Lieut. Nunns wrote her the story. Our boy was also in a severe engagement at or near Ypres in the following September and there received a shrapnel wound of the left arm and was sent to Wandsworth and afterward to Ayr to be X rayed for a piece of shrapnel that was still in the wound. If he has not again gone over to France, he is still at Ayr.

He writes that he has again applied for a Commission, and as he received not the slightest recognition for his brave deeds on No-man's-Land on July 1st and subsequently when he was wounded, I would feel very grateful if you would recommend him now. The statement I have made can easily be corroborated at St. John's.

We are perfectly willing to defray all expenses in connection with his training should he be fortunate enough to receive his Commission.

I would respectfully refer Your Excellency to Judge F.J. Morris P.C., who is an old friend and would give you any further information you might require.

I remain,

Yours very respectfully,

(Sd.) Geo. F. Bowden.

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## NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

MEMORANDUM.

No. 1822/132

From  
**PAY & RECORD OFFICE.**  
**56, VICTORIA STREET,**  
**LONDON, S.W.**  
 1st March, 1917.

To Officer Commanding,  
 2/1 Newfoundland Regt.,  
 Racecourse,  
 Ayr.

**SUBJECT:** No. 526, Pte. H. BOWDEN.**REPLY**

Reference Nos.

Dated

7 March 1917

Following has been received  
 from H.E. the Governor of Nfld.-

"Letter from Geo. F. Bowden,  
 Esq., M.D. of Wesleyville on  
 behalf of his son No. 526 Hugh  
 Bowden.

For information of Officers  
 Commanding 1st and 2nd Battalions.  
 To be noted as a Candidate for  
 a Commission."

Copy of letter referred to  
 from Dr. Bowden attached hereto,  
 please.

*H. A. Guinness*

Major,

Paymaster &amp; O. i/c Records.

*This was dealt with  
 on a previous Memorandum  
 C. Whitaker  
 O.C.*

1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	1124
Rec'd.	MAR - 8 1917
Ack'd.	
Ans'd.	
File No.	



## NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

CONFIDENTIALMEMORANDUM.

No. 1832/133

From

PAY &amp; RECORD OFFICE.

58, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

1st March, 1917.

To

Officer Commanding,

2/1 Newfoundland Regt.,

Racecourse,

Ayr.

**SUBJECT:** No. 526, Pte. H.P. BOWDEN.**REPLY****Reference Nos.** 1822/132.**Dated**

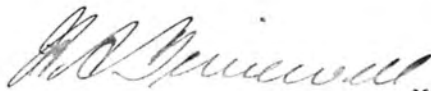
5 March

1917

Letter 8/2/17 (1052), addressed to me by Mrs. G.F. Bowden, enclosed, please.

Will you kindly furnish me with any information that will enable me to reply.

It is understood, of course, that the matter is one entirely outside my province, but naturally it calls for some reply from me.



Major,

Paymaster &amp; O. i/c Records.

*The man in question applied for a commission last Autumn when the letter was considered the writer was undergoing detention for absence. There are also 17 entries on his Conduct Sheet including - "Refusing to obey an Order."*

*Isk? not like to recommend him.*

*He is now in France & is not under my command.*

*C. Whiteaker  
O.C.*

1ST N. W. FOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	114
Rec'd.	MAR - 6 1917
Ack'd.	
Ans'd.	
File No.	



NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

MEMORANDUM.

No. 1821/39

From  
**PAY & RECORD OFFICE.**  
 58, VICTORIA STREET,  
 LONDON, S.W.  
 1st March, 1917.

To Officer Commanding,  
 1/1 Newfoundland Regt.,  
 B. E. F.

**SUBJECT:** No. 526, Pte. H. BOWDEN.

**REPLY**

Reference Nos.

Dated

*March 13*

1917

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 a Commission."

Copy of letter referred to  
 from Dr. Bowden attached hereto,  
 please.

*A. G. Munn*

Major,

Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

*Wounded Sept 9  
 not now with unit,*

*Not recommended.*

*L. A. Outbridge  
 2/11.*

*of Adjutant  
 1st Regt. Inf.*

1ST N. W. FOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	<i>1266</i>
Res'd.	MAR 16 1917
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File No.	.....

NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Pay No.	2181
DATE	MAY - 4 1917
AMOUNT	16/5/11
FOR PAID	4616/2

Wesleyville  
Bonaville Bay  
Newfoundland  
April 1st - 1917

Major Timewell,  
Med Pay & Record Office,  
London.

Dear Sir: -

I have to thank  
you for your letter of  
March 1st, received on  
17th ult. Acknowledging  
mine of Feb. 8th.

By special request of  
the Rev. Henry Leggo,

C. of E. Clergyman of  
Valleyfield, B. B. Nfld.,  
I am enclosing for your  
personal a letter received  
by Mrs R. Shortall,  
Waterford Road, St. John's  
- mother of the late Lieut.  
Richard Shortall - from  
my son Hugh (#526)  
in reply to one she wrote  
him asking for informa-  
tion, or details, re her son's  
death and which she  
very kindly sent on for  
me to read.

We have not heard of  
this from Hugh at all  
nor any remark on the  
matter in even the most  
remote way. Mrs Shortall  
wrote him at the request  
of Capt. Munro who was  
making enquiries for her.

I would thank you  
if you will please return  
the letter as I value it  
very much, though my  
boy does not know I  
have seen it.

I remain  
yours truly  
Elizabeth Bowden.

16th May, 7.

4616/2

Mrs. H.P. Bowden,  
Wesleyville,  
Bonavista Bay, Nfld.

Madam,

I have to thank you for your letter 1/4/17 enclosing one dated 30/11/16 from your son to Mrs. R. Shortall, which I have read with much interest, and now beg to return as requested.

With regard to previous correspondence, the matter having been continued through H.E. the Governor, you will now presumably be aware of the results of the information it was practicable to convey.

I am, Madam,  
Your obedient servant,

Major,

HT/NV

Paymaster & O. i/c Records.



GEO. F. BOWDEN, M. D.

NEWFOUNDLAND COURT ST. B. N. S.  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE.  
NOV - 4 JAN 1918  
Del. Nos. 837/11

✓ 46

Wesleyville, Newfoundland,

Dec 4<sup>th</sup> - 1917

Major Samuel M.  
Wld Pay + Record Office,  
London S.W. Eng

Dear Major,

Mrs. Bowden has sent a number of parcels of Soldiers' Comforts since October last, to dear, dear dad who has paid the supreme price - 526 Pk. Hugh P. Bowden M.M. - and she is very desirous that any parcels you may have or receive hereafter addressed to him, be re addressed to 610 Pk. Wm. Wetman Co First Newfoundland Regiment Transport Section

By so doing you will confer a great favour

Yours very truly  
Geo. F. Bowden

837/1/C

16th January 8

Dr. G. F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville,  
Newfoundland.

Sir, Postal Services

With reference to your letter 4/12/17 (196): it is regretted that the majority of the parcels referred to had been dealt with in accordance with usual procedure before receipt of your instructions and had accordingly been sent to the Officer Commanding, 1/1 Newfoundland Regiment, B.E.F., for distribution of contents at his discretion. One has come to hand subsequently and has been redirected as desired to No. 610, Pte. W. Yetman and any which may ~~xxx~~ reach here after this will be similarly disposed of.

I am,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant, Major,

P/NW

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

GEO. F. BOWDEN, M. D.

Wife  
20/11/17  
buried

Copy to me with  
copy of 8/18/18

NEWFOUNDLAND GOVERNMENT
PAY & RECORD OFFICE
Ref. Nos. IN 3680
Rec'd 23 APR 1918
Ack'd May 16 <sup>th</sup> 1918
Ref. Nos. OUT

Wesleyville, Newfoundland, 1918

Major Timewell  
Wld Pay & Record Office  
London, SW

Dear Major Timewell,

Just a line to ask you have re-  
ceived any official notification re  
the passing of our dear son 526 Pte Hugh  
Bowden. Was his body recovered and  
if so where was it buried? Was any-  
thing recovered from the body? Any-  
thing that we could cherish as loving  
mementos of our brave lad. Won't  
you do your best to get us some re-  
liable information, or could you  
advise us whom to write to?

Yours faithfully

GEO. F. BOWDEN

P.S. Governor Daindson stated in a com-  
munication to the papers that he "knew  
how every hero fell but he could not then  
give the names"

1 wallet

7/3/18

Photos & Cards

ref No. 1035'



6643/209/R. & C. <sup>Forms</sup> C. 348

**MEMORANDUM.**



CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C. RECORDS.  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W. 1,  
ENGLAND.

From

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C. RECORDS.  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W. 1.  
ANSWER. ENGLAND.

Officer Commanding,  
1st Battalion,  
Royal Nfld Regt.,  
B. E. F.

Pay & Record Office,

30th April, 1918

526, PTE. H. BOWDEN, Deceased

Dr. G.F. Bowden has enquired for particulars with regard to the death of his son, Pte. H. Bowden. It is known here that he was killed in action 20/11/17. Grave site is also known. If you will be so good as to cause an enquiry to be made with a view to obtaining any further particulars, such as would satisfy an anxious parent, it would be greatly appreciated.

4/5 1918

Herewith attached is statement by Sergt. KELLY which gives further particulars of this case.

*A. D. Maxwell*  
Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

HA/JC

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE.  
Ref. Nos. *4137*  
Rec'd 7 MAY 1918  
COMMANDING 1st BN. ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT,  
ANSW.

Ref. Nos: 001

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BRANCH	DATE
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P & A.	
R. & C.	
B & E	
P.S.	

LIEUT. COL.

6643/209/R.&.G.

Officer Commanding,  
1st Battalion,  
Royal Nfld Regt.,  
B. E. F.

Pay & Record Office,

30th April, 8

526, PTE. H. BOWDEN, Deceased.

Dr. G.F. Bowden has enquired for particulars with regard to the death of his son, Pte. H. Bowden. It is known here that he was killed in action 20/11/17. Grave site is also known. If you will be so good as to cause an enquiry to be made with a view to obtaining any further particulars such as would satisfy an anxious parent, it would be greatly appreciated.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

HA/JC

## The Adjutant.

Re: attached. I have found out the following information about the death of No 526 R. Cpl H. Bowden.

# 1244 Serjt P. Kelly states <sup>that</sup> when the Battalion was in the village of Masnières he was with Cpl Bowden. They were being fired on from a house by a Machine Gun. They tried to rush this house with two other men. Cpl. Bowden got ahead of the others and was shot through the head and killed instantly by a Machine Gun bullet. He was absolutely fearless and died a very gallant death. He was buried <sup>in a couple of days</sup> after in Marcony. The M.G. was captured soon after by the Battalion.



and its team killed.

Bill Capt  
of Coy //



6619/2/R.&C.

30th April,

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Dr. George F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville,  
Newfoundland.

Sir: 526, Pte. H. Bowden, deceased.

I have received your letter dated 16/3/18 (3680), regarding the death of your Son, Pte. Hugh Bowden. It is greatly regretted that there are no particulars of his death at this Office, but I am putting an enquiry through to the Officer Commanding, 1st Battn, Royal Newfoundland Regt., B.E.F., the result of which I will transmit to you in due course.

Pte. Bowden's body was recovered, and is stated to be buried in Marcoing Copse Cemetery, Grave No.6, map reading, 57C.L.24.C.4.1 (Ref. No.830.W.) France. This information was communicated on 21/12/17 to the Hon. Minister of Militia, who has doubtless informed you ere now.

The following effects were received at this Office, belonging to your Son:

1 Wallet,  
Photos and Cards.

These were forwarded on 7/3/18 (Ref. No.1035) to the Hon. Minister of Militia, for delivery to the Next-of-Kin, as customary.

Will you allow me to take this opportunity of offering you my sincere sympathy in the loss of your Son, who has given his life in the cause of Freedom? Pte. Bowden, one of the old "Blue Puttees", had a long and gallant service, and his loss will be severely felt by his Regiment.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

Major,

Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

HA/JC

7099/3/R.&C.

8th May, 8

Dr. George F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville,  
Newfoundland.

Sir: 526, Pte. H. Bowden, deceased.

Further to my letter No. 6619/2 of 30/4/18: I beg to quote the statement received in answer to my Memorandum No. 6643/209 of 30/4/18 to the O.C. 1st Battalion, Royal Newfoundland Regiment, B.E.F., enquiring for particulars regarding the death of your Son.

"No.1244, Sergt. P. Kelly states that when the  
"Battalion was in the village of Masnieres he  
"was with L.Cpl. Bowden. They were being fired  
"on from a house by a machine gun. They tried  
"to rush this house with two other men. L.Cpl.  
"Bowden got ahead of the others and was shot  
"through the head and killed instantly by a  
"machine gun bullet. He was absolutely fearless  
"and died a very gallant death. He was buried  
"a couple of days after in Marcoing. The M.G.  
"was captured soon after by the Battalion and its  
"team killed.

"(Sgd) J. CLIFT, Capt.,  
"O.C. "B" Co."

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

HA/JC

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## MEMORANDUM.

From

From

To Officer in Charge Effects,  
Branch (Men,  
G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon,  
B.E.F. FRANCE.

To

ANSWER.

Pay &amp; Record Office.

July 1st. 1918

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526. PTE. H.P. BOWDEN (DECEASED):  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT:

The following is an extract  
of an enquiry from the ~~Minister~~ *Head of the above deceased*  
~~of Militia~~ 4/6/18, (5685):

"Surely there must be more of  
"my boy's effects to come than  
"this. He wrote us that he had  
"Souvenirs and we know of many  
"things that he would have kept  
"in his Kit Bag. I do not mention  
"this because of the intrinsic  
"value, but simply because of the  
"associations - they were his  
"personal property, and you know  
"how a mother would value anything  
"belonging to her dear boy, es-  
"pecially one who had died so  
"nobly as our dear lad did. There-  
"fore won't you kindly make en-  
"quiries and let me know if there  
"is anything else to come."

If any information can  
be traced regarding the Deceased  
Soldier's effects, other than one  
Package, received from you 23/2/18,

containing:-

Wallett,  
Photos,  
Cards.

it is asked that you will be good  
enough to advise accordingly,  
please.

*A. J. Dunne* Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c. Reds.

A.G's. BRANCH,  
EFFECTS (MEM),  
C.H.Q., 3rd BATTALION.

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5 JUL 1918  
*EJ 4857*

FM/NM



Wesleyville,

May 22nd, 1918

D. Thistle, Esq.,  
Militia Dept.  
St. John's

Dear Thistle:-

I enclose herewith receipt for personal effects parcel received by yesterday's mail. ~~X~~ Surely there must be more of my boy's effects to come than this. He wrote us that he had souvenirs, and we know of many other things that he would have kept in his kit bag. I do not mention this because of their intrinsic value, but simply because of the associations - they were his personal property, and you know how a mother would value anything belonging to her dear boy, especially one who had died so nobly as our dear lad did. Therefore, would you kindly make enquiries, and let me know if there is anything else to come ~~X~~

Thank you very much for your kind expressions of sympathy; Mrs Bowden joins me in this appreciation.

Yours faithfully

(Sgd.) Geo. F. Bowden.



# Department of Militia

## MEMORANDUM

No. ....

From  
MINISTER OF MILITIA,  
ST. JOHN'S,  
NEWFOUNDLAND

To  
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records  
Pay & Record Office  
LONDON

June 4th, 1918

SUBJECT:

No. 526, Private H.F. Bowden  
Deceased.

REPLY

Date: 17th, August 1918  
Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE 15189

The attached letter is forwarded for your information, and I should be glad to know if any further effects are to be forwarded belonging to this soldier.

Minutes of correspondence exchanged with the D. A. G., G. H. Q., 3rd. Echelon are enclosed for information of the deceased Soldier's next-of-kin, please.

*W.F. Rendell*

*[Signature]*

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Recds.

RM/WF

Sr Minister of Militia.

RECEIVED
PAY & RECORDS
NO. 13189
REC'D 24 JUN 1918
ACK'D
REF. NO. 13189
13189
Comd.
P.S.
R.&C.
B.&F. ✓
P.S.

*[Signature]*

MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE.

FROM:

Chief Paymaster & Oni/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W. 1.

TO:

Officer i/c Effects Branch (Men),  
G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon,  
B. E. F., France.

July 1st, 1918.

526, PTE. H.P. BOWDEN (DECEASED):  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

The following is an extract of an enquiry from the Next of Kin of the above Deceased Soldier 4/6/18 (5685):

"Surely there must be more of my boy's effects to come than this. He wrote us that he had Souvenirs and we know of many things that he would have kept in his Kit Bag. I do not mention this because of the intrinsic value, but simply because of the associations - they were his personal property, and you know how a mother would value anything belonging to her dear boy, especially one who had died so nobly as our dear lad did. Therefore won't you kindly make enquiries and let me know if there is anything else to come."

If any information can be traced regarding the deceased Soldier Effects, other than one package, received from you 23/2/18, containing: - Wallet, photos, cards, it is asked that you will be good enough to advise accordingly, please.

(Sd) H.A. TIMEWELL,

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

(2)

The Commanding Officer,  
1st, Newfoundland Regiment,  
In the Field.

T. 4.

A.G.'s BRANCH  
EFFECTS (MEN)  
G.H.Q., 3rd, ECHELON.  
17th, July 1918  
R/f/4857.

NO 526 Pte. Bowden H.P. 1/R. Newland Regt. CASUALTY: -K. in A. 20/11/17

An enquiry has been received in this Branch from Officer i/c Newfoundland Records, concerning the personal effects of the above mentioned (See extract at foot hereof).

In order that a satisfactory reply may be made to the enquirer, will you kindly ~~make~~ cause the fullest investigations to be made in the matter and submit a report comprising information on the following points: -

(1) The only effects received here on account of Pte Bowden were an A.B.64 Wallet, photos and cards from the Battalion under your Command under memo. dated 17/12/17. If these were all that could be recovered on behalf of the deceased, can any reason for this be given.

(2) Whether or not any personal effects, including "Souvenirs" were found in this pack.

(3) If any effects in addition to those mentioned in para. 1 as having been received here were recovered and forwarded, of what did these consist, to whom was the parcel addressed, on what date despatched and by what method if forwarded by registered post, the registered number of the package and the F.P.O. at which handed in should be given.

(Sd) F.E. Dowse Brennan.

Effects Branch (Men)  
G.H.Q. 3rd, Echelon.  
17/7/18.

Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
for D.A.G.,

MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE.

ENC. (2).

July 1st. 1918.

EXTRACT FROM THE ENQUIRER.

No. 526. PTE. H.P. BOWDEN. (DECEASED) ROYAL Nfld. REGT.,

The following is an extract from an enquiry from the next of Kin of the above-named Deceased Soldier 4/6/18 (5685):-  
Surely there must be more of my Boy's effects to come than this. He wrote us that he had Souvenirs and we know of many things that he would have kept in his Kit Bag. I do not mention this because of the intrinsic value, but simply because of the associations - they were his personal property, and you know how a mother would value anything belonging to her dear boy, especially one who had died so nobly as our dear lad did. Therefore won't you kindly ~~make~~ make enquiries and let me know if there is anything else to come."

(Sd) H.A. TIMEWELL,

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

(On reverse of above) (3)

Reference reverse:-

- (1) No.
- (2) No personal effects or "Souvenirs" were found in his pack.
- (3) No additional effects were recovered.

(Sd) S.G. Mathias,

Major,  
Commanding 1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regiment,

Stamp.

1st. Bn: Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
Orderly Room British Expeditionary Force  
22/7/18.

Stamp.

A.G.'s Branch  
Effects (Men).  
G.H.Q., 3rd, Echelon,  
24 July 1918 Ef. 4857.

(4)

The Officer i/c Newfoundland Records,  
58, Victoria Street,  
L O N D O N. S.W. 1.

A.G.'s BRANCH,  
EFFECTS (MEN)  
G.H.Q. 3rd, Echelon.  
26th July 1918.  
Ef/4857.

No. 526 PTE. H.P. BOWDEN, 1st, ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

With reference to your No. 10422/11/P&A dated the 1st instant regarding certain effects of the above-named: investigations have been made in the matter and a copy of the correspondence is attached for your information.

The only effects received in this Branch on account of Pte Bowden were these forwarded to you under Inventory No. 1. 1/427/22 dated 18/1/18 and an A.B. 64 which was passed to the Section concerned here for transmission to the Regimental Paymaster.

(Sd) F.E. Dowse Brennan,

Effects Branch (Men)  
G.H.Q. 3rd, Echelon.

Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
for D.A.G.



AG's BRANCH,  
EFFECTS (LIEN),  
G.H.Q., 3rd ECHELON.

26 JUL 1918  
Ef/4857

The Officer i/c,  
Newfoundland Records,  
58 Victoria Street,  
L O N D O N . S.W.1

No. 526 Pte. Bowden H.P., 1st Royal Newfoundland Rgt.

With reference to your No. 10422/11/P&A dated the 1st instant regarding certain effects of the above named; investigations have been made in the matter and a copy of the correspondence is attached for your information.

The only effects received in this Branch on account of Pte. Bowden were those forwarded to you under Inventory No. 1/427/22 dated 18/1/18 and an A.B. 64 which was passed to the Section concerned here for transmission to the Regimental Paymaster.

Effects Branch (Men)  
G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon.  
C/Wh.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, PAY & RECORD OFFICE.	
Ref. No.	✓ 6826
Date	29 JUL 1918
Branch	
Comd	
P&A	
R.S.C.	
B.S.L.	
P.	

*J. E. Dowse*  
Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
for D.A.G.

(4)

T. 4.

The Commanding Officer,  
1st. Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
In the Field.

A.C.'s BRANCH, EFFECTS (MEN), C.H.Q. 3rd SCHEDULE.
17 JUL 1918 Ef/4857

NO. 526 Pte. Bowden H.P. 1/R. Newland Regt. CASUALTY; - K. in A. 20/11/17

An enquiry has been received in this Branch from The Officer i/c Newfoundland Records concerning the personal effects of the above mentioned. (See ~~copy~~ extract at foot hereof).

In order that a satisfactory reply may be made to the enquirer, will you kindly cause the fullest investigations to be made in the matter and submit a report comprising information on the following points:

- (1) The only effects received here on account of Pte. Bowden were an A.B.64, Wallet, Photos and Cards from the Battalion under your Command under memo dated 17/12/17. If these were all that could be recovered on behalf of the deceased, can any reason for this be given.
- (2) Whether or not any personal effects, including "Souvenirs", were found in this pack.
- (3) If any effects in addition to those mentioned in para. 1 as having been received here were recovered and forwarded, of what did these consist, to whom was the parcel addressed, on what date despatched and by what method. If forwarded by registered post, the registered number of the package and the F.P.O. at which handed in should be given.

*4/30/18 J. J. J.*

EFFECTS BRANCH (MEN),  
C.H.Q. 3rd SCHEDULE,  
177 1918.

CAPTAIN,  
STAFF CAPTAIN,  
for D. A. G.

G/wh.

COPY OF OR EXTRACT FROM THE ENQUIRY.

July 1st 1918.

No. 526 Pte. H.P. Bowden (Deceased) Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

The following is an extract from an enquiry from the next of kin of the above named deceased soldier 4/6/18 (5665):-  
"Surely there must be more of my boy's effects to come than this. He wrote us that he had Souvenirs and we know of many things that he would have kept in his kit bag. I do not mention this because of the intrinsic value, but simply because of the associations - they were his personal property, and you know how a mother would value anything belonging to her dear boy, especially one who had died so nobly as our dear lad did. Therefore won't you kindly make enquiries and let me know if there is anything else to come."

(Sgd) R.A. Timewell, Major  
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

NOTE:- PLEASE REPLY ON THE REVERSE.

Reference reverse :-

- (1). No
- (2). No personal effects or "Souvenirs", were found in his pack.
- (3). No additional effects were recovered.

(Sd) S. G. Mathias Major  
Commanding 1st Bn: Royal Newfoundland  
Regiment.

Stamp

1st Bn: Royal Newfoundland Regiment  
Orderly Room British Expeditionary  
Force 22/7/18

Stamp

A.G.'s Branch  
Effects (Men),  
G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon.  
24 Jul 1918 Ef. 4857

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and on which we had not  
thought there was need for  
information until a few days  
ago. In the letter you sent  
us in July past, written by  
Capt. Clist in which he gave  
Sergt. Peter Kelly's statement  
as to how our son met his death,  
we found that our boy was  
called "S. Cpl. Bowden" twice.

I wrote Sergt. Kelly after,  
asking why he called our son  
Sergeant Corporal to which he  
replied last November (and  
I also went to see Sergt.  
Kelly on his return to Regt.  
I saw him in December). He  
replied by letter, and told me per-

Wesleyville  
7638/6<sup>th</sup> March 1919

Major Amewell, 526/1<sup>st</sup>.  
Royal Field Regt. H.A.  
St. John's, Brooker

Dear Major Amewell:-

So often we  
have troubled you during the  
long years of war and we  
thank you sincerely for all  
the pains you have taken to  
help us in every way. Once  
again I trust you will pardon  
us for troubling you.

There is a matter on which  
we should wish to be enlightened



sonally, one boy was made to be Cpl.  
the early part of Nov. 1915, while they  
were resting in the village called Belle  
Aux Bois, before they went into the  
Cambrai battle. He says he (Sergt. Kelly)

also received another stripe the day  
one boy received his to be Cpl. stripe  
and that they went into the Cambrai  
battle as to be Cpl. in charge of a section.

Just last month I saw a sol-  
dier who returned in January, who  
was in my boys section and who was  
near him and saw him when he fell  
and who called my boy "to be Cpl. Bowden."

After seeing Sergt. Kelly personally,  
and with his letter also telling the same  
thing, we had our boys name inscribed  
on a tablet to his memory as "ance

Corporal A. P. Bowden" there was no sha-  
dow of doubt in our minds concerning it.

Just a few days ago we saw <sup>to our surprise</sup> a  
letter from an official source his name  
as "Pte. A. P. Bowden" again.

Our tablet cannot be altered now  
and no doubt our boys name will be in-  
scribed sometime somewhere on a public  
memorial, as also on the stone being erected  
by the War Graves Commission. One boy went into  
battle as a lance Corporal, and died as a lance Corporal

and it is only fair and just  
that his name be inscribed, on  
either of the above named, with  
the rank he held honorably  
at the time of his death.

Thanking you in anticipa-  
tion I remain

Yours truly

Elizabeth Bowden

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P.S. In reference to <sup>the</sup> enclosed  
clipping we would wish the following  
inscription on our boy's headstone—  
"His last message home:—"I feel satisfied  
that I have done my duty and more  
than that can be expected of no man"

6851/337/R.&.C.

C.P. & O. i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent.

O.C., 1st Bn.,

R. Newfoundland Regt., Winchester.

5th May, 9

my No. 5918/293/R.&.C.

of 15/4/19 (copy enclosed) - - -

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Capt.,

For Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records



5918/293/R.&.C. <sup>Form</sup> <sub>C. 348</sub>  
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MEMORANDUM.

From C.P. & O. i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent

From **LIEUT. COL.**  
COMMANDING 1st Bn. ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

To Officer Commanding,  
1st Bn.,  
R. Newfoundland Regt.,  
Rouen Camps, France.

To OFFICER RECORDS,  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
88, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, W. 1,  
ENGLAND.

Pay & Record Office.

15th April, 1919.

4/5 1919.

526 PTE. H.P. BOWDEN, Dec'd.

Have you any record to show, please, that the above-named man was appointed Lance-Corporal? If so, kindly state particulars.

When an enquiry regarding his death was made some time ago, Pte. Bowden was mentioned as "Lance Corporal." His Mother now wishes to know definitely as she has already erected a tablet to his memory which bears the inscription of "Lance Corporal" on it.

*This O.R. was not a Lance corporal at the time of his death.*

*[Signature]*  
Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records

*[Signature]*  
LIEUT. COL.  
COMMANDING 1st Bn. ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.  
3416  
Rec'd 6 MAY 1919  
Ack'd  
Ret. No.  
[Large handwritten scribble]

HA/NV



Reference attached

" There is no record of No 526 H Bawden  
having been appointed Sep

He was reported by O.C. Unit <sup>23/11/17</sup> B213 as  
526 PTE. H Bawden "Kuma" 20/11/17

30/4/19

Approved  
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5918/293/R.&.C. *6850/337*

C.P. & O. i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent.

Officer Commanding,  
1st Bn.,  
R. Newfoundland Regt.,  
Rouen Camps, France.

Pay & Record Office.

15th April, 9.

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*Reminder*

Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

HA/NV

5919/23/R.&.C.

C.P. & O. i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent.

Officer i/c  
No.1 Reg. Inf. Section,  
G.H.Q, 3rd Echelon,  
B. E. F.

Pay & Record Office.

15th April, 9.

526 PTE. H. P. BOWDEN, Dec'd.  
Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Have you any record  
to show, please, that the  
above-named man was <sup>ever</sup> appointed  
Lance Corporal? If so,  
kindly state particulars.

Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

HA/NV

15th April, 9.

D. G. G. R. & E.,

5921/28/R.&.O.

War Office, Winchester House,

St. James's Square, S.W. 1.

526 PTE. H. P. BOWDEN, Deceased  
10734 Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Following is an extract from a letter dated  
16/3/19 (2638) from Mrs. Elizabeth Bowden, Wesleyville,  
Newfoundland:

"P.S. In reference to the enclosed clipping  
we would wish to have the following  
inscription on our boy's headstone -  
His last message home:- 'I feel  
satisfied that I have done my duty  
and more than that can be expected  
of no man.'"

I enclose the clipping mentioned and beg to  
enquire if Mrs. Bowden's wish can be complied with  
in due course.

Chief Paymaster & O.I/c Records.

HA/NV



RGE/RH.



IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION.

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—  
"THE SECRETARY,"  
and the following number quoted:—

CCM/47/23723.

WINCHESTER HOUSE,  
ST. JAMES'S SQUARE,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

26th April 1919.

24/D/50/E.

Sir,

With reference to your letter (5921/28/R&C. of the 15th inst., which has been passed to this Office, I am directed to inform you that a communication has been sent to Mrs. Bowden dealing with her request.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

Major.

The Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
Pay & Record Office,  
58, Victoria Street,  
S.W.1.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, PAY & RECORD OFFICE.	
Ref. Nos. IN	370
27 APR 1919	
[Handwritten signature]	
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Com.	
P.S.	
P.S.	


Bowden H

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Ray Dept

## Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps NewfoundlandRegimental No. 526 Rank Pte Name Bowden, H.Enlisted (a) 1/10/14 Terms of Service (a) one year Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_Date of promotion to } \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment } \_\_\_\_\_ Numerical position on } \_\_\_\_\_  
present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }Extended \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>duration of war.</sup> Re-engaged Aug. 13/15. Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked St. John's, Nfld		3/10/14	
		Disembarked Alexandria		1/9/15	
		Embarked for Gallipoli		13/9/15.	
21/11/15	"Dover Castle"	Admitted, Pyrexia	H.S. "Dover Castle	16/11/15	Auth. A 19529
25/11/15	15th. Genl Alexandria	do	15th Genl., Hosp. Alex.	20/11/15	" A 19577
12/12/15	"Glengorm Castle"	Invalided to England	"Glengorm Castle"	6/12/15	B 752
					
(sgd) W. L. S. Jackson Captain for Major Officer i/c Records 11 & 12 Dists., 3rd Echelon, Base, Egypt.					

(a) 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 entered.  
 (b) e.g., Signaller, Shoing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

[P. T. O.]

Ref. Med. 123

No. 602

Date 11th Jan. 1916

(1) To the Officer i/c Records,

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Station).

(2) The Officer Commanding,

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Station).

(3) The Paymaster,

Army Pay Office,

58, Victoria St. S.W. (Station).

Regimental No. 526

Rank and Name Private Bowden, H.

Regiment or Corps 1/ Newfoundland Reg.

has been granted a furlough from 14th Jan. to 24th Jan. 1916.

His address while on leave will be :-

c/o - Hastie,

Inglewood,

20. Orchard Terrace, Hawick.

I consider he is fit for <sup>Duty.</sup> & likely to be fit for service  
Light duty. overseas within 3 months.

R.J. Wilson, M.B., Ch.B.,

Officer in charge Temporary V.A.D. Hospital,

Perth. (Station).

\* Strike out that which is inapplicable.

Four copies to be made, and one copy sent to each Officer mentioned above and one copy filed in the Office.



Admitted 13/9/16.

Army Form W. 3016.

2890

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date 25th Sept



(1) To the Officer i/c Records,

58 Victoria St., S.W.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Station).

(2) The Officer Commanding,

Depot,

Ayr.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Station).

(3) The Paymaster,

58 Victoria St., S.W.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Station).

Regimental No. 526

Rank and Name Pte. Bowden, H.

Regiment or Corps 1st Newfoundland Regt

has been granted a furlough from Sept 25th to Oct 4th

His address while on leave will be :—

58 Victoria St., S.W.

This man has been furnished with a warrant to Victoria and given an advance of one pound ( £1 ).

I consider he is fit for \* ~~Duty~~ ~~Light duty~~ Duty.

& Sgd ) Horace Fagan, Capt. R.A.M.C.T.,  
Registrar, R.A.M.C.T.,

for Officer in charge 3rd London Genl Hospital,

Wandsworth, S.W. (Station).

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**DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY**

Army Form O. 1625.

**PAY LIST.**

191 . Voucher No.

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps **Royal Newfoundland Regt.**  
 No. **526** Rank **Private** Name **H. P. Bowden,**  
 Died (a) **Intestate** at **France** on the **20** of **November** 191 **7**.  
 Deserted at on the of 191 .

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. <del>last month</del> <b>20/11/17</b> .....	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>
	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 .....			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
	"							
	Consolidated stoppage .....							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		<b>£</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>£</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to **22/10/18** and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

CHECKED.

*AB*  
22/10/18

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 13 9 0 is correctly chargeable against the Public Account of the NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Dated at

this

day of

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
DE VICTORIA ST  
LONDON, E.C. 1  
**22 OCT 1918**

191

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE  
*Paymaster*

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 Deserted at    on the                      of                      191 .

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	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
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	Consolidated stoppage .....							
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CHECKED.  
J.H.  
22/10/18

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 13 9 0 is correctly chargeable against the Public, NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Dated at this day of 22 OCT 1918 191 . CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE, Paymaster.

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Dated at \_\_\_\_\_  
 this **22** day of **OCT** 191**8**



*[Signature]*  
 CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE  
 Paymaster.

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*H.C.*  
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Dated at this day of **22 OCT 1918** 191 .



*A. J. ...*  
 CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS  
 Paymaster.

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*Ho*  
22<sup>10</sup>/<sub>18</sub>

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular ~~and that the debtor balance of £~~ *is correctly chargeable against the Public.*

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_  
this                      day of                      **22 OCT 1918**                      191 .



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	"				Savings Bank balance, including est (if no balance, to be so stated)			
	Consolidated				Pay or Gratuity .....			
					Balance due by the Paymaster	13	9	0
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Today is several dollars  
less than even that  
received last-month?

My son has not yet  
apprised me of any change  
in his allotment - has  
he changed it - twice  
since November?

I remain

yours truly

Elizabeth (Mrs G. F.) Bowden

526

Wesleyville  
8<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1917

J. M. Howley Esq  
Deputy Paymaster  
1<sup>st</sup> - Inf'd Regt

Dear sir: -

Will you kindly  
explain why the last  
two cheques (monthly  
allotment) have been less  
than those of the past  
two years? also why the  
one I have received

Reduced to 30¢ from.  
Nov. 25/16.

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January 26th.1917

Mrs G.F.Bowden,  
Wesleyville, B.B.

Dear Madam:-

Please pardon delay in answering your letter of 8th. inst  
I find that your son reduced his allotment from 50g per  
day to 30g per day, effective from November 24th. 1916 inclusive.  
In consequence the cheque for November, forwarded December 7th., was  
calculated at the rate of 50g for 24 days and 30g for six days of  
November, thus amounting to \$13.80, whilst the cheque for December  
was calculated at 30g per day amounting to \$9.30.

This will explain the reduction in the cheques referred  
to.

Yours truly,

Deputy Paymaster





This Form is to be used in connection with Pamph. M. E. (1)  
N. F. 1914

In the spaces below should be entered the findings in the routine of examination set forth in the Appendix. Care should be exercised that each finding be entered after the number below which corresponds to the number of that test.

Examination of *Hugh Pierson Bowden* 917  
aged *18 1/2 years* conducted at *Wesleyville*  
Date: *Sept 3: 1914* Recruiting Officer: *J. J. Huffer*

NO. OF TEST

FINDING

*Physical*

- 1 *No*
- 2 *NO*
- 3 *No*
- 4 *No*
- 5 *No*
- 6 *NO*
- 7 *Yes*
- 8 *Yes*
- 9 *No*
- 10 *Green, Blue, Yellow*
- 11 *Hugh Pierson Bowden, 18 (April 5, 1914) Home or Foreign Service*
- 12 *No evidence of any of defects mentioned in this test.*
- 13 *4 (Four) defective teeth*
- 14 *No evidence of any defects mentioned in this test.*
- 15 *No evidence of any defect mentioned in this test.*
- 16 *No evidence of any defects mentioned in this test.*
- 17 *Chest sounds normal.*
- 18 *Heart normal.*
- 19 *h*
- 20 *No defects*
- 21 *No defects*
- 22 *No defects*
- 23 *No defects*
- 24 *No defects*
- 25 *Cannot touch chin with knee but no evidence of defective spine or hip joint*
- 26 *No defect*
- 27 *No defect*
- 28 *No defect*
- 29 *No defect*
- 30 *No defect*
- 31 *No defect*
- 32 *No defect*
- 33 *Yes 1909.*
- 34 *5 feet 6 inches*
- 35 *140 lbs*
- 36 *Full Inspiration 37 inches. Full Expiration 35 inches*
- 37 *None but recently left school*
- 38 *Father and mother*
- 39 *No one.*

*F. K. 576*

Signature of Medical Examiner:

*Clayton Macpherson M.D.*  
*Geo A Bowden M.D.*

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 73 <sup>45</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

Apr 14 19 19

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of Seventy three <sup>45</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.  
~~in account~~ of Pay. Estab  
balance

Ch. No. 18039	Initials. <i>EW</i>
Pay Ledger 252	Initials. <i>EW</i>
Gen. Ledger.....	Initials.....

Regtl. No.

*A. C. S.*  
Sgt.

No. 526

Rank PL6

Name

Bowden H. G.

May 6, 1919

Geo. T. Bowden,  
Wesleyville.

Dear Sir:

I enclose cheque for ~~\$73.48~~ amount  
of balance of estate of late Pte H. P. Bowden, due  
you as Administrator.

I also enclose Letters of Adminis-  
tration.

Yours truly,

Capt.  
Paymaster

LM/  
Enc. 2.



Receipt for Army Book 64

No. 526 Name Bowden

To Certify that I have received the <sup>3</sup>AB 64<sup>15</sup> of the above  
named soldier.

Name W. H. Bowden

Date July 7/20

Place Wesleyville

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

**ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE**

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

*The Royal Nfld. Regt.*

*Dept. of Militia,*

*ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.*

NO STAMP REQUIRED

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

.. August - 4<sup>th</sup> .. 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 526 .. Rank Private ..  
Name Hugh R. Bowden ..  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Elizabeth Bowden .. (Sgd.)  
Mother .. Relationship.

Address Wesleyville, Bonavista Bay.

You will thus understand why I am apparently late in acknowledging your kindness.

Please accept my very grateful thanks and appreciation, I shall treasure these sad reminders as always as a precious possession.

I remain  
Yours truly  
Elizabeth Bowden  
(Mrs G. F. Bowden)

Worleyville  
Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> 1922

Lieut.-Col. C.R. 526  
W. F. Rendell,  
Dept. of Militia,  
Mt. John's.

Dear Sir: -

Your letter dated Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 1921 enclosing three photographs of my dear soldier son's grave only arrived here the last week in January.



Fold Here

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**ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE**

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

***Royal Nfld. Regt.***

***Dept. of Militia,***

***ST. JOHN'S, Nfld.***

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Fold Here

SEP 14 1921 1921.

The accompanying **Victory Medal** and/or **British War Medal**  
is/are forwarded herewith to

~~BRITISH WAR MEDAL~~ Mrs. Geo. F. Bowden (Mother)

in respect of his service as No. 526 Rank Pte.

Name Hugh P. Bowden Royal Nfld. Regt.  
Nfld. Foresters Regt.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received The Victory & British War Medals

Signature Elizabeth (Mrs Geo. F.) Bowden

Date Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> 1921

Address Wesleyville, B.B.

[P.T.O.]

**GEO. F. BOWDEN, M.D.**

WESLEYVILLE.  
NEWFOUNDLAND

C.R. 526

February 20 1920

Lieut. Col. W.F. Rendell,  
Dept. of Militia,  
St. John's

My dear Col. Rendell

I have just received  
the Memorial Scroll of my  
dear lad Hugh for which I beg  
to thank you.

Yours faithfully  
Geo. F. Bowden

P.S. I also beg to acknowledge  
His Majesty the King's grateful  
expression, with many thanks

RECEIPT.

C.R. 526

I hereby certify that I have received the 1914-1915

STAR.

No 526 NAME Hugh P Bowden

Witness Elizabeth Bowden

Date Dec 15/19

Place Weybridge

H. P. Bowden



C.R. 526

Aug. 9th. 19.

Dr. Geo.F.Bowdon.M.D.  
Wesleyville.

Dear Sir.

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter  
of 4th. inst. with letter enclosed to Rev. Capt. Nangle.

I am to state that this letter has been forwarded to  
Capt. Nangle C/O The Pay & Record Office,

58. Victoria St.

London. S.W.

Any future letters sent to the above address will  
be forwarded to him.

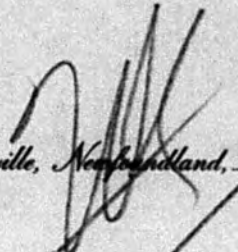
Yours faithfully,



Lieut.

Pro Military Secretary.

GEO. F. BOWDEN, M. D.

Wesleyville, New Hampshire,  Aug 4<sup>th</sup> 1919

Hon. Mr. Dickman

St John's

Dear sir,

Will you kindly have the enclosed envelope addressed to Rev. (Capt) Nangle and posted and greatly oblige

Yours faithfully  
Geo. F. Bowden

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

## MEMORANDUM.

1871/267/R.&G.

C.R. 526

From  
**PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,**  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.1.  
6th May, 1919.

To  
The Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

**SUBJECT :**

526 PTE. H. P. BOWDEN.

Reference Nos.

**REPLY**

Dated **July 14th** 191**9**

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE.

With reference to the following letter from Mrs. Bowden, Wesleyville N.F. dated 16/3/19 (2638):

"Dear Major Timewell,  
So often we have troubled you during the long years of war and we thank you sincerely for all the pains you have taken to help us in every way. Once again I trust you will pardon us for troubling you.

There is a matter on which we should wish to be enlightened and on which we had not thought there was need for information until a few days ago.

In the letter you sent us in July past, written by Capt. Clift in which he gave Sergt. Peter Kelly's statement as to how our son met his death, we found that our boy was called "S. Cpl. Bowden" twice. I wrote Sergt. Kelly after, asking why he called our son Lance Corporal to which he replied last November (and I also went to see Sergt. Kelly on his return to Nfld. I saw him in December). He replied by letter, and told me personally, our boy was made L.Cpl. the early part of Nov. 1917, while they were resting in the village called Berles au Bois, before they went into the Cambrai battle. He says he (Sergt. Kelly) also received another stripe the day our boy received his L.Cpl. stripe and that Hugh went into the Cambrai battle as L.Cpl. in charge of a section.

Just last month I saw a soldier who returned in January who was in my boy's section and who was near him and saw him when he fell

Mrs. Bowden has been in-

formed that the correct rank should be by her son at the time of his death was that of Private;

she has also been notified that

the D.G.G.R.&E. are communicating

with her direct concerning her

request regarding the inscription

her son's headstone.

Minister of Militia

(over

and who called my boy "L. Cpl. Bowden."

After seeing Sergt. Kelly personally, and with his letter also telling the same thing, we has our boy's name inscribed on a tablet to his memory "Lance Corporal H.P. Bowden" there was no shadow of doubt in our minds concerning it.

Just a few days ago we saw to our surprise on a letter from an official source his name as "Pte. H.P. Bowden" again.

Our tablet cannot be altered now and no doubt our boy's name will be inscribed sometime, somewhere on a public memorial as also on the stone being erected by the War Graves Commission. Our boy went into battle as a Lance Corporal, and died as a Lance Corporal, and it is only fair and just that his name be inscribed on either of the above named, with the rank he held honourably at the time of his death.

Thanking you in anticipation.

I remain, yours truly,  
(Sgd) Elizabeth Bowden.

P.S. In reference to the enclosed clipping we would wish to have the following inscription on our boy's headstone his last message home:-  
"I feel satisfied that I have done my duty and more than that can be expected of no man." "

Please note that there is no record here or at the 3rd Echelon of Pte. Bowden ever having been a Lance Corporal, and the C.G. 1st Bn. states: "This O.R. was not a Lance Corporal at the time of his death."

Will you please inform Mrs. Bowden, and also tell her that the D.G.G.R. & E. are communicating with her direct concerning her request with regard to the inscription on her son's headstone?

*J. B. Anderson* Capt.,

For Chief Staff Officer.

*(London)*

HA/NV



C.R. 526

June 13th 1918

Mrs. George Bowden  
Wesleyville

Dear Mrs. Bowden:-

With reference to your letter dated 16th March addressed to the Chief Paymaster, London, I beg to say that copy of same has been forwarded to this Office with reply to the effect that there is no record either in the Pay & Record Office, London or at 3rd Echelon of your son having been promoted to L/Corpl.; and the Officer Commanding 1st Battalion stated, upon being applied to for information, that Private Bowden was not a Lance Corporal at the time of his death.

Regarding the letter written you by Capt. Clift on the 14th of May, 1918, I might say that Capt. Clift is now in this country, and I have seen him personally in relation to this letter. Capt. Clift states that he had just been taken from a course of instruction before going into the engagement in which Pte. Bowden was killed; and O.C. Pte. Bowden's Company, he intimated to him that it was his intention to promote him to Lance Corporal, but before this intention was carried out your son lost his life.

With reference to the clipping enclosed in your letter to the Chief Paymaster, and the inscription quoted thereon, I am instructed to inform you that the Director General of Graves Registration and Effects is communicating with you direct concerning your request with regard to the inscription on your son's headstone.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 526

May 26th, 1919

Capt. J. Clift  
C/o Messrs. Clift & Pinsent  
Law Chambers

Dear Sir:- 526 Pte. H.P. Bowden, Deceased

The mother of the above mentioned deceased soldier is making enquiries as to the correct rank held by her son at the time of his death. She states that in July last a letter was written her by you in which her son was quoted as Lance Corporal. We have no record here, neither has the Record Office, London, of this man being promoted to L/Corpl. I should be glad to receive any information you can give regarding the matter; and I shall await your reply before writing Mrs. Bowden.

Yours faithfully,

Lieutl Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 526

DECORATION

RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

MILITARY MEDAL

AWARDED TO THE LATE NO. 526, Pte. HUGH P. BOWDEN BY HIS MAJESTY  
THE KING FOR BRAVERY IN THE FIELD.

Received by

H. P. Bowden

Witnessed by

H. C. Jones S.S.M.

Department of Militia, .  
December 4th., 1918.

C.R. 526

Nov. 22 18

Dr. Geo. F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville

Dear Dr. Bowden:-

The Military Medal won by your son, the late No. 526, Private Hugh P. Bowden has been received from the Record Office, London, and is at present in the custody of this Department.

I should be glad to know if you would receive this medal at some public gathering, or if you would prefer to have us forward it to your home.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,  
Chief Staff Officer.





**DUPLICATE**  
**MAIL COPY**  
Posted 12 SEP 1918

**Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records  
Pay & Record Office  
LONDON**

13189.

June 4th,

8

17th, August

1918.

**No. 526, Private H.F. Bowden  
Deceased.**

The attached letter is forwarded for your information, and I should be glad to know if any further effects are to be forwarded belonging to this soldier.

Minutes of correspondence exchanged with the D.A.G., G.H.Q., 3rd, Echelon, are enclosed for your information of the deceased Soldier's next-of-kin, please.

*W.A. Readell*

**Lieut. Col.  
Chief Staff Officer.**

H.A. TIMEWELL,

**Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.**

**Sr Minister of Militia.**



C O P Y.

May 22nd, 1918.

D.Thistle,Esq.,  
Militia Dept.,  
St.John's.

**DUPLICATE**

Dear Thistle,

I enclose herewith receipt for personal effects parcel received by yesterday's mail.

Surely there must be more of my boy's effects to come than this. He wrote us he had Souvenirs and we know of many other things that he would have kept in his kit bag. I do not mention this because of their intrinsic value, but simply because of the Associations-they were his personal property, and you know how a mother would value anything belonging to her dead boy, especially one who died so nobly as our dear lad did. Therefore, would you kindly make enquiries and let me know if there is anything else to come.

Thank you very much for your kind expressions of sympathy, Mrs Bowden joins me in this appreciation.

Yours faithfully,

(SGD)

Geo.F.Bowden.



MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE.

FROM:

Chief Paymaster & Oni/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London.S.W. 1.

TO:

Officer i/c Effects Branch (Men),  
G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon,  
B. E. F., France.  
July 1st, 1918.

526, PTE. H.P. BOWDEN? (DECEASED):  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

The following is an extract of an enquiry from the Next of Kin of the above Deceased Soldier 4/6/18 (5685):

"Surely there must be more of my boy's effects to come than this. He wrote us that he had Souvenirs and we know of many things that he would have kept in his Kit Bag. I do not mention this because of the intrinsic value, but simply because of the associations - they were his personal property, and you know how a mother would value anything belonging to her dear boy, especially one who had died so nobly as our dear lad did. Therefore won't you kindly make enquiries and let me know if there is anything else to come."

If any information can be traced regarding the deceased Soldier Effects, other than one package, received from you 23/2/18, containing: - Wallet, photos, cards, it is asked that you will be good enough to advise accordingly, please.

(Sd) H.A. TIMEWELL,

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

(2)

The Commanding Officer,  
1st, Newfoundland Regiment,  
In the Field.

T. 4.

A.G.'s BRANCH  
EFFECTS (MEN)  
G.H.Q., 3rd, ECHELON.  
17th, July 1918  
E/f/4857.

NO 526 Pte. Bowden H.P. 1/R. New'land Regt. CASUALTY: -K.in A. 20/11/17

An enquiry has been received in this Branch from Officer i/c Newfoundland Records, concerning the personal effects of the above mentioned (See extract at foot hereof).

In order that a satisfactory reply may be made to the enquirer, will you kindly ~~submit~~ cause the fullest investigations to be made in the matter and submit a report comprising information on the following points:-

(1) The only effects received here on account, of Pte Bowden were an A.B.64 Wallet, photos and cards from the Battalion under your Command under memo, dated 17/12/17. If these were all that could be recovered on behalf of the deceased, can any reason for this be given.

(2) Whether or not any personal effects, including "Souvenirs" were found in this pack.

(3) If any effects in addition to those mentioned in para. 1 as having been received here were recovered and forwarded, of what did these consist, to whom was the parcel addressed, on what date despatched and by what method if forwarded by registered post, the registered number of the package and the F.P.O. at which handed in should be given.

(Sd) F.E. Dowse Brennan.

Effects Branch (Men)  
G.H.Q., 3rd, Echelon.  
17/7/18.

Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
for D.A.G.,



MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE.

ENC.(2).

July 1st. 1918.

EXTRACT FROM THE ENQUIRER.

No. 526. PTE. H.P. BOWDEN. (DECEASED) ROYAL Nfld. REGT.,

The following is an extract from an enquiry from the next of Kin of the above-named Deceased Soldier 4/6/18 (5685):-  
Surely there must be more of my Boy's effects to come, than this. He wrote us that he had Souvenirs and we know of many things that he would have kept in his Kit Bag. I do not mention this because of the intrinsic value, but simply because of the associations - they were his personal property, and you know how a mother would value anything belonging to her dear boy, especially one who had died so nobly as our dear lad did. Therefore won't you kindly ~~xxxxx~~ make enquiries and let me know if there is anything else to come.

(Sd) H.A. TIMEWELL,

Major,  
Chief Pa master & O 1/c Records.

(On reverse of above)

(3)

Reference reverse:-

- (1) No.
- (2) No personal effects or "Souvenirs" were found in his pack.
- (3) No additional effects were recovered.

(Sd) S.G. Mathias,

Major,  
Commanding 1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regiment,

Stamp.

1st Bn: Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
Orderly Room British Expeditionary Force  
22/7/18.

Stamp.

A.G.'s Branch  
Effects (Men).  
G.H.Q., 3rd, Echelon,  
24 July 1918 Ef. 4857.

(4)

The Officer 1/c Newfoundland Records,  
58, Victoria Street,  
L O N D O N. S.W. 1.

A.G.'s BRANCH,  
EFFECTS (MEN)  
G.H.Q. 3rd, Echelon.  
25th July 1918.  
Ef/4857.

No. 526 PTE. H.P. BOWDEN, 1st, ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

With reference to your No. 10422/11/P&A dated the 1st instant regarding certain effects of the above-named: investigations have been made in the matter and a copy of the correspondence is attached for your information.

The only effects received in this Branch on account of Pte Bowden were those forwarded to you under Inventory No. 1. 1/427/22 dated 18/1/18 and an A.B. 64 which was passed to the Section concerned here for transmission to the Regimental Paymaster.

(Sd) F.E. Dowse Brennan,

Effects Branch (Men)  
G.H.Q. 3rd, Echelon.

Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
for D.A.G.



C.R. 526

July 10th, 18

Mr. George F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville

Dear Sir:-

The following extract from Honours and Awards is quoted in connection with the deed for which No. 526, Private H.P. Bowden won the Military Medal:-

"As Company Runner he always got his messages through under heavy shelling, Machine Guns and snipers."9/10/17

I wish to congratulate you on the conduct of your son which reflects credit, not only on himself, but on his Regiment.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

# Department of Militia

## MEMORANDUM

No. ....

From  
MINISTER OF MILITIA,  
ST. JOHN'S,  
NEWFOUNDLAND

To  
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records  
Pay & Record Office  
LONDON

June 4th, 1918

SUBJECT:

No. 526, Private H.F. Bowden  
Deceased.

REPLY

Dated 17th, August 1918

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE 13189

The attached letter is forwarded for your information, and I should be glad to know if any further effects are to be forwarded belonging to this soldier.

Minutes of correspondence exchanged with the D. A. G., G. H. Q., 3rd. Echelon are enclosed for information of the deceased Soldier's next-of-kin, please.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Recds.

Lieut. Col.

FM/WF

Chief Staff Officer.

for Minister of Militia.

NEWFOUNDLAND DEPARTMENT,	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE,	
No. 526	✓ 5685
Rec'd	24 JUN 1918
Ack'd	
Ref. Nos. 104	
10402/11	
B. & E.	
Comd.	
P. & R.	
R. & C.	
B & E.	
P.S.	

MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE.

FROM:

Chief Paymaster & Oni/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London.S.W. 1.

TO:

Officer i/c Effects Branch (Men),  
G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon,  
B. E. F., France.  
July 1st, 1918.

526, PTE. H.P. BOWDEN? (DECEASED):  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

The following is an extract of an enquiry from the Next of Kin of the above Deceased Soldier 4/6/18 (5685):

"Surely there must be more of my boy's effects to come than this.  
"He wrote us that he had Souvenirs and we know of many things  
"that he would have kept in his Kit Bag. I do not mention this  
"because of the intrinsic value, but simply because of the  
"associations - they were his personal property, and you know how  
"a mother would value anything belonging to her dear boy, especially  
"one who had died so nobly as our dear lad did. Therefore won't  
"you kindly make enquiries and let me know if there is anything  
"else to come."

If any information can be traced regarding the deceased Soldier Effects, other than one package, received from you 23/2/18, containing:-  
Wallet, photos, cards, it is asked that you will be good enough to advise accordingly, please.

(Sd) H.A. TIMEWELL,  
Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

(2)

The Commanding Officer,  
1st, Newfoundland Regiment,  
In the Field.

T. 4.

A.G's BRANCH  
EFFECTS (MEN)  
G.H.Q., 3rd, ECHELON.  
17th, July 1918  
B/f/4857.

NO 526 Pte. Bowden H.P. 1/R. New'land Regt. CASUALTY:-K.in A. 20/11/17

An enquiry has been received in this Branch from Officer i/c Newfoundland Records, concerning the personal effects of the above mentioned (See extract at foot hereof).

In order that a satisfactory reply may be made to the enquirer, will you kindly ~~submit~~ cause the fullest investigations to be made in the matter and submit a report comprising information on the following points:-

(1) The only effects received here on account, of Pte Bowden were an A.B.64 Wallet, photos and cards from the Battalion under your Command under memo. dated 17/12/17. If these ~~were~~ all that could be recovered on behalf of the deceased, can any reason for this be given.

(2) Whether or not any personal effects, including "Souvenirs" were found in this pack.

(3) If any effects in addition to those mentioned in para. 1 as having been received here were recovered and forwarded, of what did these consist, to whom was the parcel addressed, on what date despatched and by what method if forwarded by registered post, the registered number of the package and the F.P.O. at which handed in should be given.

(Sd) F.E. Dowse Brennan.

Effects Branch (Men)  
G.H.Q. 3rd, Echelon.  
17/7/18.

Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
for D.A.G.,

MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE.

ENC. (2).

July 1st. 1918.

EXTRACT FROM THE ENQUIRER.

No. 526 PTE. H.P. BOWDEN. (DECEASED) ROYAL NFLD. REGT.,

The following is an extract from an enquiry from the next of kin of the above-named Deceased Soldier 4/6/18 (5685):-

Surely there must be more of my Boy's effects to come than this. He wrote us that he had Souvenirs and we know of many things that he would have kept in his Kit Bag. I do not mention this because of the intrinsic value, but simply because of the associations - they were his personal property, and you know how a mother would value anything belonging to her dear boy, especially one who had died so nobly as our dear lad did. Therefore won't you kindly ~~make~~ make enquiries and let me know if there is anything else to come."

(Sd) H.A. TIMEWELL,

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O 1/c Records.

(On reverse of above) (3)

Reference reverse:-

- (1) No.
- (2) No personal effects or "Souvenirs" were found in his pack.
- (3) No additional effects were recovered.

(Sd) S.G. Mathias,

Major,  
Commanding 1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regiment,

Stamp.

1st. Bn: Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
Orderly Room British Expeditionary Force  
22/7/18.

Stamp.

A/G's Branch  
Effects (Men).  
G.H.Q., 3rd, Echelon,  
24 July 1918 Ef. 4857.

(4)

The Officer 1/c Newfoundland Records,  
58, Victoria Street,  
L O N D O N. S.W. 1.

A.G's BRANCH,  
EFFECTS (MEN)  
G.H.Q. 3rd, Echelon.  
26th July 1918.  
Ef/4857.

No. 526 PTE. H.P. BOWDEN, 1st, ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

With reference to your No. 10422/11/P&A dated the 1st instant regarding certain effects of the above-named: investigations have been made in the matter and a copy of the correspondence is attached for your information.

The only effects received in this Branch on account of Pte Bowden were those forwarded to you under Inventory No. 1. 1/427/22 dated 18/1/18 and an A.B. 64 which was passed to the Section concerned here for transmission to the Regimental Paymaster.

(Sd) F.E. Dowse Brenan,

Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
for D.A.G.

Effects Branch (Men)  
G.H.Q. 3rd, Echelon.



526  
Sept 17 18

George, F. Bowden, Esq., M.P.,

Wealeyville:-

Dear Mr. Bowden:-

With further reference to my letter of June 3th regarding effects, other than one package received by you, belonging to your son, the late No. 526, Private H.F. Bowden, I beg to say that we have received an answer to our enquiry to the Record Office, London, which informs us that the fullest enquiries were made by the Officers Comdg. 2nd and 1st Battalions, but the only effects which could be traced are those which have already been forwarded to you.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 526

Chief Paymaster & Officer i/o Records  
Pay & Record Office  
LONDON

June 4th,

8

No. 225, Private H.F. Bowden  
Deceased.

The attached letter is forwarded for your information, and I should be glad to know if any further effects are to be forwarded belonging to this soldier.



Lieut. Col.  
Chief Staff Officer.

Sr Minister of Militia.

C.R. 526

June 4th, 1918

Dr. C.F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of 2nd inst addressed to Capt. Thistle is acknowledged concerning personal effects of No. 526, Private H.F. Bowden. All that has been forwarded by the Record Office, London was transmitted to you; and communication is being sent to London to enquire if anything further is to be forwarded. I shall be glad to communicate with you again when reply is received.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer



Wesleyville, Newfoundland, May 22 1918

D. Thistle, Esq.,  
 Militia Dept.,  
 St. John's.

Dear Thistle,

I enclose herewith receipt for "personal Effects" parcel received by yesterday's mail.

Surely there must be more of my boy's effects to come than this! He wrote us he had souvenirs and we know of many other things that he would have kept in his kit bag. I do not mention this because of their intrinsic value, but simply because of the associations they were his personal property, and you know how a mother would value anything belonging to her dead boy, especially one who died so nobly as our dear lad did. Therefore, would you

Wesleyville, Newfoundland, 1918

you kindly make enquiries and let me know if there is anything else to come.

Thank you very much for your kind expressions of sympathy. Mrs. Bowden joins me in this appreciation

Yours faithfully  
 Geo. F. Bowden



C.R. 526

Extract of Memorandum from Pay and Record Office London dated  
May 13th. 1918.

DIVISIONAL CERTIFICATES.

The following has been received:

526 Pte. H. Bowden, M.M. No. 491.

(Certificate.)

C.R. 526

May 11, 18

Dear Dr. Bowden:-

I am writing to inform you that it is my regrettable duty to forward to you, one package of effects, which belonged to your son, the late #526 Pte. H.P. Bowden of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

I am enclosing herewith, receipt. Will you kindly sign same and return at your earliest convenience.

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

I am,

Yours sincerely,

Captain.

George F. Bowden, M.D.  
Wesleyville.

Enc'l 1.

PERSONAL EFFECTS.

One purse containing Photos only.

Received from Militia Department

Package of effects of the late

Mr. Hugh P. Bowden M.M.

Signed

Hugh P. Bowden

Date

May 21/18

No. of Paper 1035

**PERSONAL EFFECTS.**

Name Bowden R. A. No. 526

Rank Pvt. Regiment 2nd Inf.

Article	Where stored	Notified by
<p>1 Envelope                      containing:-                      1 Watch                      Photos &amp; Cards</p>		
	Final disposal	

Remarks: See Advice K I A 20-11-17  
Next of Kin: Geo H. Bowden  
Woolleyville



No. 177

From Public Dept

Registered Letter Addressed--

Wm. J. Brown

Washington

Received by

J. H. ...

Despatching  
Office  
Stamp

NEW YORK  
MAY 18 1875  
A. J. JOHN

Arrival  
Office  
Stamp

NEW YORK  
MAY 18 1875  
A. J. JOHN

7099/3/R.&.C.

8th May, 8

Dr. George F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville,  
Newfoundland.

Sir: 526, Pte. H. Bowden, deceased.

Further to my letter No. 6619/2 of 30/4/18: I beg to quote the statement received in answer to my Memorandum No. 6643/209 of 30/4/18 to the O.C. 1st Battalion, Royal Newfoundland Regiment, B.E.F., enquiring for particulars regarding the death of your Son.

"No. 1244, Sergt. P. Kelly states that when the  
"Battalion was in the village of Masnieres he  
"was with L.Cpl. Bowden. They were being fired  
"on from a house by a machine gun. They tried  
"to rush this house with two other men. L.Cpl.  
"Bowden got ahead of the others and was shot  
"through the head and killed instantly by a  
"machine gun bullet. He was absolutely fearless  
"and died a very gallant death. He was buried  
"a couple of days after in Marcoing. The M.G.  
"was captured soon after by the Battalion and its  
"team killed.

"(Sgd) J. CLIFT, Capt.,  
"O.C. "B" Co."

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

HA/JC

Mopu C.R. 526  
Copy

April 4th, 1918.

Mr. George Bowden,  
Wesleyville

Dear Sir:-

I am directed to forward you the attached Divisional Certificate which has just been received from the Record Office, London.

The act of gallantry for which this certificate is granted has not yet been received by this Office, but shall have pleasure in forwarding such particulars when they are received.

I am,

Yours faithfully,



Major, C.S. (.)

April 2, 18.

Dr. George F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville.

My Dear Dr. Bowden,

I received your letter of 16th March,  
and apologise for not replying earlier.

I have written to the Chief Paymaster  
& Officer i/c Records, in London, instructing him to find  
out all he can concerning the decease of your boy Hugh.  
also whether his body was recovered and where it is buried.  
As soon as I get his reply I will write you again.

Concerning his Military Medal this has  
not yet been received by this department. but upon receipt  
will be forwarded to you without delay. It takes some  
little time to get possession of these medals owing to  
the correspondence that has to be gone through by the  
Authorities on the other side.

With kind regards,

I remain,

Yours faithfully,



Acting Minister of Militia.

WFR/JMF.



ANSWERED

Wesleyville, Newfoundland,

May. 16<sup>th</sup> 1918

Mr. John J. Bennett  
 Minister of Militia  
 St. John's.

My dear John,

Can you tell me how I can get any information of the passing of our dear boy Hugh. I mean, who would I write to if you cannot tell me anything. Was his body recovered, and where was it buried, or any other information.

What about his Military Medal? You can readily imagine how anxious we all are for news, having heard nothing but the official announcement of his death. Yours faithfully

Geo. F. Bowden

Killed in action

Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>/17.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Medal awarded  
(Dearly Order)

27/10/17.

526

Extract from Daily Orders Part II Unit The Royal  
Newfoundland Regiment, Station G.H.Q. 3rd Echelon,  
date 19-3-18.

Awarded Military Medal Sup. L.G. 14-1-18

526, pte. H. Bowden.

C.F. 526

Extract from "HONOURS AND AWARDS" JAN. 15th, 1918.

526 Pte. H.P. Bowden, M.M.

"As Company Runner he always got his messages through under heavy shelling, M.G's. and snipers." 9/10/17.



C.R. 556

GRAVE SITES.

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record Office,  
London, dated December 21, 1917.

#526 Pte. H.P. Bowden. ✓

Reported by Rev. T. Nangle, C.F., attd. 1st Newfoundland  
Regiment, SSP. 2483. Place of Burial: 57 c.L. 24.c.4.1.  
Reference No. 830W.

Westleyville,

Dec 14/17

Hon R.A. Squires

Colonial Secretary

St Johns

Dear Sir,

Will you please accept our sincere appreciation for the kind words of sympathy received from you and the C<sup>t</sup> and convey the same to your Government.

We have the full assurance that our dear lad paid the price doing his duty in upholding the traditions of his King and Country. This, and the many expressions of heartfelt sympathy we have received console us in our great loss.

Yours faithfully

W. S. Bowden

C.R. 526

FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT OR CORPS } "1st Newfoundland Regt." Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } B. Co.

Regimental No. 526 Rank Private.

Surname Bowden. Christian Names H.

Died { Date 20/11/17. Place France.  
Cause of Death\* Killed in Action

Nature and Date of Report B 213 d/23/11/17.

By whom made O.C. Unit.

\* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

State whether he leaves a Will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not received. (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not received.  
(c) as a separate document Not received.

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Station and Date } G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon. Signature of Officer in charge of Section } J. H. M. J. Major  
Date 27/11/17. Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } Officer i/c No. 1 Infantry Section.

C.R. 526

#526 Pte. Hugh P. Bowden, M.M.

Extract of Casualty list received December 1, 1917.

Killed in Action November 20th.



# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



## Cable Connection with all the World

### All Messages Sent are Subject to the Following Conditions:

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Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

*Dated* December 1, 1917.

*To* Dr. George F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville.

Regret to inform you Record Office, London, today reports No. 526, Private Hugh P. Bowden, M.M., was killed in action November twentieth.

R A SQUIRES  
Colonial Secretary.

**NOTE FOR OPERATOR**

This message is not to be sent until receiving office notifies that message to Rev. Chas. Howse, Wesleyville, has been delivered and acted upon

**FOR TYPEWRITER**

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*To* Rev. Chas. Howse,  
Wesleyville.

Regret to inform you Record Office, London, today reports No. 526, Private Hugh P. Bowden, M.M., son of Dr. George F. Bowden, Wesleyville, was killed in action November twentieth. Please inform relatives.

R.A. SQUIRES

Colonial Secretary

MILITARY MEDAL.

526 Pte H. P. Bowden.

Date of Award.

Authority Daily Orders 1st Bn. 27/10/17

Reference. London Gazette.



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F. Bowden

November 20, 1917.

Geo. F. Bowden M.D.,  
Wesleyville.

Sir:-

Confirmation has been received by this department, of the award for gallantry recently earned by your son.

I am taking this opportunity of conveying to you my congratulations on the distinction earned by your son on the field of battle. It is due in a very large measure, to the gallant and conspicuous conduct of such men, that the First Newfoundland Regiment has gained such fame as a fighting force.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Minister of Militia.

WFR/KMD.



Extract of telegram received from the Pay & Record Office,  
London, dated Nov. 2.

No. 526 H. Bowden. ✓

Has been awarded the MM. by the Corps Commander.

For information see file Honours & Awards. Letter No. 4486.

C.R. 526

Extract from Nominal Roll of Draft No.24 from 2/1st Newfoundland Regiment  
Newton on Ayr, to 1/1st Newfoundland Regiment, B.E.F. 1/6/17

526 Pte.H.P.Bowen

MP.

C.R. 526

Government House,  
St. John's, Nfld.  
27 April, 1917.

Sir,

With regard to your letter of February 8th re the application for a Commission by your son Pte. Bowden, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency made enquiries from the Regimental authorities in England, under whom your son was then serving. A reply has now been received to the effect that when your son's application for a Commission was being considered he was undergoing detention for absence; that there are over 17 entries on his conduct sheet amongst them one for "refusing to obey an order."

Hence I am sure you will understand that it is impossible to proceed any further with your son's application.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

Capt.

Private Secretary & A.D.C.

Geo. F. Bowden Esq., M.D.

Wesleyville



C.R. 526

N.F.P/35.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

No. 2101

Pay & Record Office,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W.,  
10<sup>th</sup> March, 1917.

To: H.K. the Governor,  
St. Johns,  
Newfoundland

With the compliments of:

PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS.



1822/132

Officer Commanding,  
2/1 Newfoundland Regiment,  
Racecourse,  
Ayr.

1st March, 1917.

No. 526, Pte. H. BOWDEN.

7 March, 1917.

Following has been received  
from H.E. the Governor of Nfld. -

"Letter from Gen. F. Bowden,  
Esq., M.D. of Wesleyville on  
behalf of his son No. 526 Hugh  
Bowden.

For information of Officers  
Commanding 1st and 2nd Battalions.  
To be noted as a Candidate for  
a Commission."

Copy of letter referred to  
from Dr. Bowden attached hereto,  
please.

This was dealt with on a  
previous memorandum.

(Sgd) C.W. Whitaker, Lt. Col.

Major,

Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

JKV

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CONFIDENTIAL

1832/133

Officer Commanding,  
2/1 Newfoundland Regt.,  
Racecourse,  
Ayr.

1st March, 7.

No. 526, Pte. H.P. BOWDEN.

5 March, 1917.

1822/132.

Letter 8/2/17 (1052), addressed to me by Mrs. G.F. Bowden, enclosed, please.

Will you kindly furnish me with any information that will enable me to reply.

It is understood, of course, that the matter is one entirely outside my province, but naturally it calls for some reply from me.

The man in question applied for a commission last autumn.

When the letter was considered, the writer was undergoing detention for absence. There are over 17 entries on his Conduct sheet including:

"Refusing to obey an order."

I should not like to recommend him.

He is now in France and is not under my command.

Major,  
Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

(Sgd) O.W. Whitaker, Lt.Col.

1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	1114
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Ack'd.	
Ans'd.	
File No.	

1st March,

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1831/1

Mrs. G. F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville, B.B.,  
Newfoundland.

Madam,

With reference to your letter 8/2/17 (1052), which I have read with interest, I may say that I have received by even mail a letter from H.E. the Governor of Newfoundland on the same subject, which I am forwarding to the proper quarter for consideration and information to enable me to reply.

It is understood that Pte. Bowden is at present serving with the 2nd Battalion, Ayr, Scotland, and I am also addressing a private note to his Commanding Officer.

I am,

Madam,

Your obedient servant,

Major,

Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

HT/RW





Wesleyville,

His Excellency  
 Sir W. C. Dauidson  
 Lieut. Col. Newfoundland Regt.  
 St. John's

Your Excellency,

I am very anxious to know if it is not possible to procure for my son Hugh, (S26 First Newfoundland Regt) a commission. If you will kindly hear with me I will endeavor to give you a short history of his achievements since leaving Nfld. on the "Horizon" with the 1st Contingent.

He is a veteran of both Gallipoli and France. He has been wounded twice, viz: On the 1st of July, when, and on other of his Platoon, duly answered roll call after the engagement. On his way back to the Allied trenches he encounters a wounded Comrade and after dressing his wounds endeavored to bring him to safety on his back. After going a short distance the lad asked my boy to put him down, as he suffered severely, and he would try to crawl back himself. My boy then proceeded toward the trenches and came across his

Wesleyville,

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Officer Lieut Shortall who was mortally wounded and carried him back to a gap in the wire entanglements where the poor fellow died in my boys arms. He was under fire all this time. We would never have known of this incident had not Mrs Shortall written to Lieut Nunns to know how her boy died, and Lieut Nunns wrote her the story. Our boy was also in a severe engagement at or near Ypres in the following September and there received a shrapnel wound of the left arm and was sent to Wardsworth and afterward to Arras to be X-rayed for a piece of shrapnel that was still in the wound. If he has not again gone over to France, he is still at Arras.

He writes that he has again applied for a commission, and as he received not the slightest recognition for his brave deeds on No-mans-land on July 1st and subsequently when he was wounded I would feel very grateful if you

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Wesleyville,

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would recommend him now. The statements I have made can easily be corroborated easily at St. John's.

We are perfectly willing to defray all expenses in connection with his training should he be fortunate enough to receive his commission.

I would respectfully refer your Excellency to Judge F. H. Morris P.C. who is an old friend and would give you any further information you might require.

I remain

Yours very respectfully  
 Geo. F. Bowden



C.R. 524

No. 15.

Major H.A. Tinewell.

Letter from Geo.F. Bowden Esq., M.D. of  
Wesleyville on behalf of his son No. 526 Hugh Bowden.

For information of Officers Commanding 1st and  
2nd Battalions. To be noted as a Candidate for a  
Commission.

Governor.

15 February 1917.

C.R. 526

15 February 1917.

Dear Dr. Bowden,

Be assured that every communication touching the men in the Regiment will receive from me peculiar care.

I shall forward the name of your son Hugh No. 526 to be noted as a candidate for a Commission. The actual selection rests entirely with the Military Authorities based on the qualities requisite for leadership in war.

I shall send on your letter in support of the application. Your son has behaved most gallantly and I wish him good fortune.

Yours sincerely,

G.F. Bowden Esq. M.D.

Wesleyville.

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*Dated* 21st October 1916.*To* Dr. Geo. F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville.

Reference our enquiry on your behalf re 526 Bowden Record Office today advises he is at Depot not ready yet for furlough being Xrayed for shrapnel.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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TRANSLATION OF CODE MESSAGE SENT  
TO SYNOPTICAL, LONDON, ON  
OCTOBER 14TH, 1916.

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What is nature of illness Report by telegraph  
present condition of 2352 Martin Report by telegraph  
present condition of 2045 Batten enquire whether <sup>526</sup>~~626~~  
Bowden will return on furlough Send as soon as  
possible balance due 411 McNeil.



## NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

CABLE CONNECTION WITH ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

Line No. 18 Sent by \_\_\_\_\_ Rec'd by \_\_\_\_\_ Check 29 / 10 No. \_\_\_\_\_Place from Nesleyville 12To Col. Seely

OCT 12 1914

Can you find out for me  
 if Hugh Bowden no 526  
 has purlough for home or just  
 england he wired for money  
 what is Best way to make  
 transfer

Lo F Bowden

Counter No. \_\_\_\_\_

# JUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

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Dated 12th October, 1916.

To Dr. G. F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville.

Will enquire re furlough for 526 Bowden and inform you on receipt of reply. Transferring of money is matter for your own discretion.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 526

NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

Extract of Casualty List received from P. & R. O Oct. 4th. 1916.

526, Pte H. Bowden. ✓

WOUNDED

Extract of Casualty List received from P. & L R. O. Sep. 27th. 1916.

The following Casualty in the 1/1 Newfoundland Regiment with the British Expeditionary Force is reported under various date.

526, Pte H. Bowden. ✓

WOUNDED



# FOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

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Signature of Sender *Frederick M. ...* Address \_\_\_\_\_

Line Number _____	Rcd _____	By <u><i>Frederick M. ...</i></u>	Sent <u><i>...</i></u>	Check _____
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Dated 26th Sept., 1916.

To SYNOPTICAL,

LONDON.

*DM*  
W.S.M. for 526 Bowden How is wound progressing anxious ~~stop~~  
Did you receive cable of sixteenth Mother.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

CABLE CONNECTION WITH ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

Sent by h m Rec'd by ma Check 25 No. \_\_\_\_\_

from Wesleyville 25

to How Colonial Sect

SEP 25 1916

Kindly forward following message to my boy Mrs Geo F Bowden how is wound progressing anxious did you receive cable of 16th.  
Mother

No. 526

C.R. 526

Extract of Casualty List received from P.&.R.O.  
Sept. 18th. 1916.

526, Pte H. Bowden. ✓

W. 8/9/16. Reptd by O.C. Unit 9/9/1916.

## COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated  
16th September, 1916.

Dr. Geo. F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville.

Regret to inform you that ~~No. 526, Private Hugh Pearson~~  
~~London, officially reports~~  
~~Bowden admitted Wandsworth Gunshot Wound Arm.~~

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Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you and trust that the next report will be of his convalescence.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.



SICK AND WOUNDED N.C.O's AND MEN OF THE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE. - FRANCE.

HOUNSLOW RECORD OFFICE.

LIST No. H.A. 2346.

- 2178 Cadet.Cater,W.H.7-R.W.Kents.Att. N.Y.D. . . . . Adm.10.Sty.Hos.St.Omer 9th.Sep'16.  
G.H.Q.Cadet Sch.
- 1991 Pte.Pagden,W.G. 16-Middx. R. Trench Fever . . . . . To Eng.per Hos.Ship "Newhaven"ex.14.Sty.Hos.9th.  
Sep'16.
- 18278 " Jennings,C.W.4-Rl. Fus. V.D.H. . . . . Trans.to 1.Con.Camp ex.32.Sty.Hos.Wimereux 9th.  
Sep'16.
- 20609 " Gilbert,F.G.11-Middx. R. Att.8-Myalgia. . . . . do.
- N.Staffs. R.
- 4186 " Kemp,C.M. 12-Rl. Fus. D.Co. D.A.H. . . . . Adm.St.John Amb.Bde.Hos.Etaples ex.26.Gen:Hos.  
9th.Sep'16.
- 9917 Sgt.Botting,G. 1-R.W.Kents.D.Co. G.S.W. Thigh . . . . . To Eng.ex.St.John Amb.Bde.Hos.9th.Sep'16.



WINCHESTER RECORD OFFICE.

LIST No. H.A. 2346.

- 1571 Pte.Davis,A.S. 17-K.R.R. G.S.W. L.Hand . . . . . Trans.to 1.Con.Camp ex.32.Sty.Hos.Wimereux 9th.  
Sep'16.
- R/11994 " Forsyth,F. 1- do. "D" do. IX.1. R.Sev. Wd. . . . . To Eng.ex.8.Red Cross Hos.9th.Sep'16.
- 19869 " Pearman,H. 2- do. "D" Gas Poisoning Shell . . . . . To Eng.ex.St.John Amb.Bde.Hos.9th.Sep'16.
- 9460 " Street,J. 8-Rif.Bde "D" Bronchitis . . . . . do.

ROYAL FLYING CORPS RECORD OFFICE.

LIST No. H.A. 2346.

- 33462 2/AM.Hodgkinson,R.F.C. 20-Sqd. I.C.T. L.Knee . . . . . Dis.to 1.Aircraft Dep.R.F.C.ex.10.Sty.Hos.St.Omer  
9th.Sep'16.
- 29439 2/AM.Mayne,J.J. do. 20-Sqd. Influenza. do.
- 12520 2/AM.England,G. do. 1-A.Dep. do.
- 5904 2/AM.Hill,J. do. 20-Sqd. Infl. Stomach. do.
- 13866 1/AM.Stacey,A.G. do. 1-A.Dep. Enteritis. . . . . Trans.to 4.Sty.Hos.Arques ex.10.Sty.Hos.9th.Sep'16.
- 2103 Sgt.Boulton,F.E. do. 1- do. N.Y.D. . . . . Adm.10.Sty.Hos.St.Omer 9th.Sep'16.
- 30836 2/AM.Walmsley,W. do. 1- do. do. do.
- 28626 2/AM.Obree,H. do. 1- do. do. . . . . do.

SOUTH AFRICAN RECORD OFFICE.

LIST No. H.A. 2346.

- 195 Pte.Schwerin,F.C.1-S.African Fd.Amb.Susp. Nephritis . . . . . Adm.14.Sty.Hos.Boulogne 9th.Sep'16.  
S.African A.M.C.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

LIST No. H.A. 2346.

- 526 Pte.Bowden,H. 1-Newfoundland. Shp. L.Arm. . . . . Adm.32.Sty.Hos.Wimereux 9th.Sep'16.



## SICK AND WOUNDED N.C.O'S AND MEN OF THE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE - FRANCE

SHREWSBURY RECORD OFFICE

LIST No. H.A. 1531

9576 Pte Howson J.	2/att 13 Ches.	Herrida. . . . .	Adm 3 Con Dep Le Treport 4/Aug/16.
18224 Sgt Hanks W.G.	16/R.Welsh Fus	Measles. . . . .	Dis to Base Dtls ex 3 Con Dep Le Treport 4/Aug/16.
36116 Pte Kelly F.	17/Cheshire R.	Maria. . . . .	To Eng per H.S. Marama ex 2 Gen.H. 5/Aug/16.
22343 Pte Rowson A.	7/Shrop L.I.	"W" Shock. . . . .	Trans to Con Dep Havre ex 2 Gen.H. 5/Aug/16.
19774 L/C Roberts L.	7/K.S.L.I.	G.W.XI (Knee) L. . . . .	Dis to Base Dtls ex 5 Gen.H. Rouen 5/Aug/16.
474 Pte McDermott J.	13/Cheshires	Influenza. . . . .	Adm 5 Gen.H. Rouen 5/Aug/16
21403 Pte Davies W.	10/Welsh Rgt	Inf Mid Ear	do.
382 Cpl Jones L.L.	1/Walsh Rgt att	V.D.H. Aortic	do.
	23 Bty R.G.A.		
170 Pte Thelwell H.	12/Cheshires	G.W.IX(1)I.R & L.	do.
961 Pte Williams A.	13/ do.	G.W.III(1)VIII(1)	do.

WARWICK RECORD OFFICE

LIST No. H.A. 1531

13/14875 Pte Dare J.	10/R.Warwicks	GSW Head. . . . .	Adm 3 Con Dep Le Treport 4/Aug/16.
25336 Pte Hulls R.	4/Worcesters	Myalgia	do.
475 Pte Webb G.	16/R.Warwicks	GSW Face	do.
10953 Pte Allen F.	2/R.Berks	Influenza	do.
164 Pte Goodings S.A.	14/R.Warwicks	GSW Thigh L.	do.
20198 Pte Brewer A.L.	12/Glosters	Bronchitis. . . . .	Dis to Base Dtls ex 3 Con Dep Le Treport 4/Aug/16.
20200 Pte Goodlife W.A.	12/ do.	Myalgia	do.
21035 Pte Haywood A.	4/Worcesters	GSW Back	do.
25338 Pte Walton A.	3/ do. R.	GSW Arm & Butt R. . . . .	Trans to Con Dep Havre ex 2 Gen.H. 5/Aug/16.
12002 Pte Reynolds M.	2/Ox & Bucks	Shock Shell (W). . . . .	Trans to Con Dep Rouen ex 5 Gen.H. 5/Aug/16.
14893 Pte Holyomes H.	3/Worcesters	G.W.VIII(4).	Adm 5 Gen.H. Rouen 5/Aug/16.
11882 L/C Margetts A.V.	3/ do.	G.W.IX(4)VIII(1)II(1)	do.
19876 Pte Gibbard G.W.	6/Ox & B.L.I.	N.Y.D. (s)	do.
16613 Pte Whittock S.D.	12/Glosters	P.U.O. . . . .	Dis to Base Dtls ex 3 Con Dep Le Treport 4/Aug/16.

DUBLIN RECORD OFFICE

LIST No. H.A. 1531

17875 Pte McGinness G.A.	1/R.Ir.Fus.	Influenza. . . . .	Dis to Base Dtls ex 3 Con Dep Le Treport 4/Aug/16
14482 L/C Moorhead W.	9/ do.	GSW R.Arm & R.H	do.
10603 Pte Hughes H.	15/R.Ir.Rif	N.Y.D. . . . .	Adm 2 Gen.H. Havre 5/Aug/16.
2399 Pte Donaghy J.	1/ do.	do.	do.
8119 Pte Gracey J.	1/R.Ir.Fus	Wnd Leg L.(Acc). . . . .	Adm 2 Gen.H. Havre 30/June/16.
previously shown as 5578.	Previously shown 1/R.Immis Fus.	Previously shown Wnd Leg L.	

NEW FOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

LIST No.H.A. 1531

526 Pte Bowden H.P.	1/Newfoundlands	P.U.O. . . . .	Dis to Base Dtls ex 3 Con Dep Le Treport 4/Aug/16
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C.R. 526

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

Extract of Casualty List received from p. & R. O. Aug 12th 1916.

526, Pte H. P. Bowden.

Newfoundlands P.U.O. Adm. 3 Con. Dep. Le ~~Tre~~port 2nd August 1916.

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SICK & WOUNDED N.C.O's & MEN OF THE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE - FRANCE.

C.R. 526

WINCHESTER RECORD OFFICE.

LIST NO. H.A. 1462

R.17176 Pte. Butler, W.G.

16/K.R.Rif.C.

Influenza Sev..... Adm. 14 Gen.H. Wimereux Boulogne Base  
1st August 16.

Y/1624 L/C. Bates, F.  
1813 Pte. Knapper, F.

1/K.R.Rif.C.  
11/Rif. Bde.

Epilepsy Good..... Adm. 13 Gen.H. Boulogne 1st August 16. ✓  
P.U.O. Sev. .... Adm. 14 Gen.H. Wimereux Boulogne Base  
1st August 16.

8542 Pte. Corr, R.  
623 Pte. Wilson, J.  
11353 Pte. Kelly, W.

1/ -do-  
3/ -do-  
2/K.R.Rif.C.

Arthritis Wrist Sev. -do-  
Septic Sores & Scabies Sev. -do-  
GSW.I(4) VII..... To Eng. per HS. Cambria ex 13 Gen.H. Boulogne  
1st August 16.

TERRITORIAL FORCE HOUNSLOW RECORD OFFICE.

LIST NO. H.A. 1462

2515 Pte. Hodgson, R.

1/6 R. Sussex Regt. Impetigo Sev..... Adm. 14 Gen.H. Wimereux Boulogne Base 1st  
August. 16.

1456 Cpl. Streeter, T.

1/5 R. Suss. Regt "C" "W" Gas Poisoning... Trans. to 6 Con. Dep. Etaples ex 11 Gen.H.  
1st August 16. For further Treatment,  
Slt.

TERRITORIAL FORCE LONDON RECORD OFFICE.

LIST NO. H.A. 1462

1756 Pte. Hinkins, W.

22/C. of Lond.R.

GSW.VIII.(4) Hum.&... To Eng. per HS. Cambria ex 13 Gen.H. Boulogne  
1st August 16.

3720 Pte. Hardy, R.A.

8/London.R.

II.(1) Slt.  
Influenza Sev..... Trans. to HS. Jan Breydel for Dover ex 14  
Gen.H. Wimereux 1st August 16.

5959 Pte. Mead, H.C.

1/19 London Regv.

D.A.H..... Trans. to 1 Con. Camp Marlboro' ex 14 Gen.  
H. Wimereux 1st August 16.

FOOT GUARDS RECORD OFFICE.

LIST NO. H.A. 1462

10458 Pte. Sutton, H.

1/Gren. Gds.

Trench Fever Sev.... Adm. 14 Gen.H. Wimereux Boulogne Base 1st  
August 16.

14541 Pte. Whorley, R.  
23226 Pte. Hutchison, V.

3/Cold. Gds.  
2/Gren. Gds.

Influenza Sev. -do-  
Ac. Bronchitis. Sev. -do-

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

LIST NO. H.A. 1462

526 Pte. Borden, H.

1/Newfoundland Regt. P.U.O.....

Trans. to 3 Con. Dep. ex 3 Gen.H. Le Treport  
1st August 16.

C.R. 576

Copy of Cablegram from P.&.R.O. to Governor St. John's  
Nfld. 15th. September 1916.

526, Bowden. ✓

Wandsworth Gunshot wound. Arm

C.R. 526

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record Office,  
London, dated July 31, 1916.

#526 Pte. H. Bowden. ✓

P.U.O., Admitted 3 General Hosp. Letreport 21st July 1916.



C.R. 526

Extract from Nominal Roll 3rd Draft ~~to B.E.F.~~ to B.E.F.  
arrived 29, A.B.D. 30-3-16. Joined Battalion 15-4-16

#526 Pte. L. Bowden.



C.R. 526

Extract of Nominal Roll Draft ( All Ranks) to 1st Bn.,  
B.E.F. Embarked Southampton. 28-3-16.

526 Pte. H. Bowden.

February 8, 1916.

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that additional information has to-day been received from the Record Office of the First Newfoundland Regiment, London, to the effect that No. 526, Private Hugh P. Bowden, who was reported at Perth on December 21st suffering from pyrexia, was fit for light duty and granted furlough on January 14th.

This information has been received by mail.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Dr. G. F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville.

SICK & WOUNDED N.C.Os & MEN OF THE MEDITERRANEAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

C.R. 526

LIST NO.H.4415.

NEW ZEALAND CONTINGENT.

3/963 Pte. Mears, H.F. N.Z.Mtd.Rif.H.Q.  
1281 .. Manning, L. M.Z.A.S.C. "3"  
24/557 .. Paterson, G.E. 2/N.Z.R.B. M.C.S.  
12/2161 .. Blake, W. N.Z.Mtd.Rif.3/Auck.

Amoebic.....Dis.to Ras-el-tin Conv.Home,ex  
Dysentery. 15 G.H. Alexandria.6th Dec.1915.  
Bronchial -do-  
Catarrh.  
Pneumonia. -do-  
G.S.W.Chest.....Dis.to Luxor C.D.ex 15 G.H.  
Alexandria.6th Dec.1915.

LIST NO.H. 4415.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

615  
✓ 526 Pte. Bowden, H. ✓ 1/Newfoundland "B"

Debility..... Dis.to Eng.per H.S."Glengorm  
Castle" ex 15 G.H.6th Dec.1915.

✓



C.R. 526

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record Office,  
London, dated December 24, 1915.

#526 Pte. H. Bowden.

Sick. Admitted Temporary V.A.D.H. Perth 19th December 1915.



# Newfoundland Postal Telegraphs.

Office Stamp and Date.

Prefix.....

**SERVICE MESSAGE**

DEC 23 1914

Time received.....by.....Time sent.....by.....

From

Postal

To

Col Secy

Following from Cairns today  
re your W.S. in to the  
Boarders. " your W.S. in 21<sup>st</sup>  
the Boarders, held, all W.S. in  
must be addressed to War

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

*Fred M. Shirley*  
*per [unclear]*

Signature of Sender \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated December 23, 1915.

To Synoptical,  
London.

W.S.M. 526, Bowden, Perth.

Just informed your arrival. Cheer up. Love and Christmas

Greetings from all.

MOTHER.

CHOPHOUSE.

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**(NOT TRANSMITTED)**

Signature of Sender Lucy M. Bowden Address \_\_\_\_\_

Line Number	Rcd.	By	Sent	by	Check
		<i>for deposit</i>			

*Dated* December 23rd, 1915.

*To* Dr. G. F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville.

Have no further news regarding your son's illness other than that already communicated to you. Shall endeavour to obtain further particulars from Record Office, London.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.



Form No. 117



# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

CABLE CONNECTION WITH ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

Line No. 16 Sent by D Rec'd by J Check 20 No. 354

Place from Wesleyville 22  
To Hon Colonial Secy  
St John's

DEC 22 1915

Very anxious to know cause of my  
boys illness Can you find  
out or let me know how I  
may  
Geo. F. Bowden



4-08P

✓



# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

CABLE CONNECTION WITH ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

Line No

Sent by

Rec'd by

Check

No

Place from

To

Wesleyville St  
Colonial Seely  
St John's

DEC 21 1915

Kindly send my son pte  
526 Hugh Pierson Bowden  
the following just informed  
your arrival cheer up love  
prayers and Christmas greetings  
from all mother.

Geo. F. Bowden.

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**(NOT TRANSMITTED)**Signature of Sender Frederick M. Shubey Address \_\_\_\_\_

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated December 21st, 1915.

To Private Bowden. (Nfld),  
Voluntary Aid Detachment Hospital,  
Perth, Scotland.

W.S.M.

Just informed your arrival, Cheer up. Love  
prayers and Christmas greetings from all.

MOTHER.

Free under arrangement.  
Approved by Colonial Secretary.

*Cancelled  
see next message*

**FOR TYPEWRITER**

B (31) ✓

COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated

**December 21, 1915.**

To **Dr. G. F. Bowden,  
Wesleyville.**

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,  
London, officially reports No. 526, Private Hugh Pierson  
Bowden, arrived Voluntary Aid Detachment Hospital Perth,  
Scotland, suffering from pyrexia.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immedi-  
ately wire you and trust that the next report will  
be of his convalescence.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

C.R. 526

**Extract of List of Soldiers from the Newfoundland Contingent admitted to the V.A.D. Hospital, Perth, December 19th. 1915, from the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force,**

**526 Pte. H. Bowden**

**1/Newfoundland Regt.....Sick.**



C.R. 526

Extract of Casualty received from Pay & Record Office, London,  
dated Dec. 6th 1915.

526 Pte. H. Bowden

P. U. O.

Adm. 15 G. H. Alexandria ex HMHS "Dover Castle" 20/Nov/15.

C.R. 526

Extract of Casualty received from Pay & Record Office, London,  
dated Dec. 3rd 1915.

526 H. J. Bowden

Pyrexia

Trans. ex 26 Cas. Clear. Stat. H. Suvla 12th Nov. 1915

C.R. 526

Extract of Casualty received from Pay & Record Office, London,  
dated Dec. 3rd 1915.

526 Pte. H.P. Bowden

Pyrexia

Adm. 26 Cas. Clear. Stat. H. Suvla 12th Nov. 1915.



C.R. 526

Extract from Nominal Roll of Co. 1st Bn. New Zealand Regt.  
Embarked at Devenport for Active Service 20-8-15.

526 Pte. H. Bowden.

Disembarked Alexandria, 31-8-15. Proceeded to Abbassia,  
Cairo, same date. Embarked Alexandria for Gallipoli  
13-9-15.



C.R. 526

Extract from Nominal Roll embarked St. John's per S.S.  
"Florissel" Oct, 8/4. 1914.

526 Bowden Hugh P.

FIELD SERVICE.

C.R. 26  
Army Form B. 2000A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT OR CORPS } "1st Newfoundland Regt." Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } B. Co.

Regimental No. 526 Rank Private.

Surname Bowden. Christian Names H.

Died { Date 20/11/17. Place France.  
Cause of Death\* Killed in Action

Nature and Date of Report B 213 d/20/11/17.

By whom made C.O. Unit.

\* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

State whether he leaves a Will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book Not received.) (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not received.  
(c) as a separate document Not received.

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Station and Date } H. C., 3rd Echelon. Signature of Officer in charge of Section } J. Mansel  
Date 27/11/17. Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } 2nd Lt. for Major  
Officer i/o No. 1 Infantry Section.

## Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps

Newfoundland ✓

Regimental No.

526

Rank

pte

Name

Bowden H

Enlisted (a)

1-10-14

Terms of Service (a)

one year

Service reckons from (a)

1-10-14Date of promotion to  
present rank

Date of appointment

Numerical position on  
roll of N.C.Os.

Extended

Re-engaged

Aug 16/15

Qualification (b)

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked St. John's, Nfld.		3/10/14.	
		Disembarked Alexandria		1/9/15.	
		Embarked for Halifax		13/9/15.	
21/11/15.	"Dover Castle"	Admitted, Pyrexia	H.S. "Dover Castle"	16/11/15.	Auth. A 19529.
23/11/15.	15th. Genl. Alexandria.	do	15th. Genl., Hosp., Alex.	20/11/15.	" A 19577. 9
12/12/15.	"Glengorm Castle"	Invalided to England	"Glengorm Castle"	6/12/15.	B 752. 9



*[Signature]*  
 Captain  
 for Major,  
 Officer i/c Records 11 & 12 Dists.,  
 3rd. Echelon, Base, Egypt

(a) 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 entered.

(b) e.g., Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.



**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

Regiment or Corps *Newfoundland*

Rank *Pte* Surname *Saunders* Christian Name *Hubert*

Religion *Methodist* Age on Enlistment *18* years *1* months.

Enlisted (a) *St John's* Terms of Service (a) *Duration* Service reckons from (a) *1/10/17*

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

Extended { \_\_\_\_\_ } Re-engaged { \_\_\_\_\_ } Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_  
or Corps Trade and Rate \_\_\_\_\_

*J. W. Marshall Capt* Signature of Officer.



Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
			Embarked <i>Solihatone</i>	<i>3.6.17</i>	
			Disembarked <i>Boulogne</i>	<i>3.6.17</i>	
			Joined Battalion	<i>19 JUN 1917</i>	<i>B 213</i>
<i>24</i>	<i>NOV 1917</i>	<i>Present</i>	<b>Killed in Action</b>	<i>France</i>	<i>20 NOV 1917</i>
			<i>J. Marshall</i>	<i>2nd Lt</i>	
				<i>for MAJOR</i>	
				<i>Infantry Section</i>	
				<i>G.H.Q. 3rd Division</i>	

(a) 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 entered.  
(b) Signaller, Shoeing-Smith, &c.

[P.T.O.]



# Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

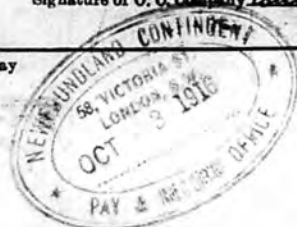
Regiment of Newfoundland

Number of Sheet 1

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Signature of O. O. Company Capt Alexander 445

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay
No. <u>326</u>	<u>Bowden, C. H.</u>	Age on <u>18</u> years <u></u> months		<u>Clerk</u>	
Joined <u>B.N.F.D.</u> Date <u>1-10-14</u>		Date of Enlistment <u>15/9/14</u>		Religion <u>Methodist</u>	<u>St. John's.</u>
Joined <u>2<sup>nd</sup> B.N.F.D.</u> Date <u>12/10-16</u>		Period of <u>367</u> years.			
Joined _____ Date _____		with Reserve <u>365</u> years.			



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
Fort George	2.1.15	fte		absent from tattoo until 3.30am. <sup>11.5</sup>	Cpl. Karchaw	admonished	8.1.15	Lt. Col. Burton	forfeit 6 days pay Reg.
Fort George	June 17	"		Leaving the ranks without permission <sup>2</sup> hesitating to obey an order given by a N.C.O.	Sgt. Steek	3 days e.e.	17.6.15	Capt Alexander	
Stables Camp	June 21 <sup>st</sup>	"		1. Taking a car without ticket	Lt. Col. Knight				
Stables	June 30 <sup>th</sup>	"		absent for tattoo. <sup>2</sup> late for 6.30 a.m. Parade	Cpl. Mauston	2 days e.e.	1.7.15	Capt Ayre	
Stables	July 1 <sup>st</sup>	"		Refusing to obey an order	Cpl. Nugent	6 days e.e.	2.7.15	Lt. Col. Burton	
Stables	July 4 <sup>th</sup>	"		absent for defaulters roll 6.30 pm. to 7.30 pm.	Cpl. Vail	24 hrs F.P. 2	5.7.15	Lt. Col. Burton	
Newton	24/1/16	"		absent from duties <sup>2</sup> until 9.30/4/1/16 To be carried over	Cpl. White	Admonished	7/1/16	Capt Ledingham	forfeit 12 days pay
				Killed in Action			20/17		

Date	Location	Remarks	Officer	Penalty	Date	Officer	Notes
25 <sup>10</sup> /16	Racecourse, Ayr	Present from Tattoo roll call till 2 P.M. 27/10/16.					
28 <sup>10</sup> /16	"	Absent from 7. & 9 A.M. Parade till 2 P.M. same date.					
30.10.16	"	Absent from 7. & 9 A.M. Parade till 2 P.M. same date.					
31.10.16	"	Absent from 7. A.M. Parade till 9 A.M. same date.					
20.11.16	Kinross	Absent from Tattoo untill 7 P.M. 21.11.16.	Sgt. Sellars, Lt. Sellar, Sgt. Hill.	3 days C.C.	22.11.16	Lt. Dimmidie	Forfeits 2 days Pay. Roll
24.11.16	"	Absent from 11.45 A.M. Parade	Sgt. Sellars	5 days C.B.	25.11.16	Capt. Glover	
28.11.16	"	" 7.30 A.M. Parade	"	7 "	28.11.16	Lt. Dimmidie	
1.12.16	Racecourse, Ayr	" 9 A.M. Parade untill 2 P.M. Parade	Lt. Tobin	7 days C.B.	2.12.16	Capt. Venns	Forfeits 1 day Pay by R.W.
10/3/17	Racecourse	I Absent from tattoo until 10.30 P.M.	Corp. Maddigan	2 days C.B.	13/3/17	Lt. E. Barnes	W.P.W.
14/3/17	Racecourse	II Coming in Barracks through Officers Walk	Sgt. Winsor				
4.4.17	"	Absent from Deck Parade	Sgt. Cullinane	4 dys. C. B.	15.3.17	Capt March	H.B.
4.4.17	"	Absent from tattoo Roll-Call until 11.05 p.m.	Cpl. Field	2 days. C. B.	5.4.17	Lt. Baoues	H.B.
20.4.17	"	Absent from 6.30 AM parade & found in bed 6.45 A.M. same date	Sgt. McNeary	2 days C.B.	20.4.17	Capt March	Forfeits 1 day pay.
19/5/17	"	Absent from tattoo roll call Saturday May 19/17 until sundown	Cpl. F. Robert	48 hrs. Detention	19/5/17	Major Rendell	Forfeits 3 days pay by R.W.
21/5/17	"	Sunday May 21/17					

Brought forward

Sgt. Murrell,  
Corp. Sellar.

168 hours detention.

1.11.16.

Lt. Col. Whitehead

Forfeits 7 days pay by R.W.