

Medical Report on an Invalid.Station St. John'sDate 1801 21st 1916

1. Unit 1-1 Newfoundland Regiment 5. Age last birthday 26  
 2. Regimental No. 319 6. Enlisted { on Sept. 1914  
 3. Rank Private { at St. John's  
 4. Name Pover Nicholas 7. Former Trade { St. Car Conductor  
 or Occupation {

## 8. Disability.

Pulmonary TuberculosisStatement of Case.

Note.—The answers to the following questions are to be filled in by the Officer in medical charge of the case. In answering them he will carefully discriminate between the man's unsupported statements and evidence recorded in his military and medical documents. He will also carefully distinguish cases entirely due to venereal disease.

9. Date of origin of disability. 1913  
 10. Place of origin of disability. St. John's

11. Give concisely the essential facts of the history of the disability, noting entries on the Medical History Sheet bearing on the case.

This case has come up at the report of the "Person Board". He states that he had flu about one year before enlistment and was under treatment of Dr. Rendell. After his M. O. S. was discharged under three months from enlistment on account of pulmonary tuberculosis.

12. (a) Give your opinion as to the causation of the disability.

By conditions prior to enlistment

- (b) If you consider it to have been caused by active service, climate, or ordinary military service, explain the specific conditions to which you attribute it (See notes on page 3).

not due to military service

13. What is his present condition?

Weight should be given in all cases when it is likely to afford evidence of the progress of the disability.

*practically unimpaired as to vision  
chest shows advanced tuberculosis*

14. If the disability is an injury, was it caused

(a) In action? *no*

(b) On field service? *no*

(c) On duty? *no*

(d) Off duty? *no*

15. Was a Court of Inquiry held on the injury?

If so—(a) When? *no*

(b) Where? *no*

(c) Opinion? *no*

16. Was an operation performed? If so, what? *no*

17. If not, was an operation advised and declined? *no*

18. In case of loss or decay of teeth. Is the loss of teeth the result of wounds, injury or disease, directly\* attributable to active service? *no*

19. Do you recommend

(a) Discharge as permanently unfit, or *yes*

(b) ~~Change to England?~~

*J. J. J. J.*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Officer in medical charge of case.

I have satisfied myself of the general accuracy of this report, and concur therewith, except †

Station *St John's* \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Officer in charge of Hospital.

\* Loss of teeth on, or immediately after, active service, should be attributed thereto, unless there is evidence that it is due to some other cause.

† Delete this word if no exceptions are to be made.

## Opinion of the Medical Board.

NOTES.—(i.) Clear and decisive answers to the following questions are to be carefully filled in by the Board, as, in the event of the man being invalided, it is essential that the Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital should be in possession of the most reliable information to enable them to decide upon the man's claim to pension.

(ii.) Expressions such as "may," "might," "probably," &c., should be avoided.

(iii.) The rates of pension vary directly according to whether the disability is attributed to (a) active service, (b) climate, or (c) ordinary military service. It is therefore essential when assigning the cause of the disability to differentiate between them (see Articles 1162 and 1163, Pay Warrant, 1913).

(iv.) In answering question 20 the Board should be careful to discriminate between disease resulting from military conditions and disease to which the soldier would have been equally liable in civil life.

(v.) A disability is to be regarded as due to climate when it is caused by military service abroad in climates where there is a special liability to contract the disease.

20. (a) State whether the disability is the result of (i.) active service, (ii.) climate, or (iii.) ordinary military service. *no*

(b) If due to one of these causes, to what specific conditions do the Board attribute it? \_\_\_\_\_

21. Has the disability been aggravated by

(a) Intemperance? *no*  
 (b) Misconduct? *no* } *not wholly serious*

22. Is the disability permanent? *yes*

23. If not permanent, what is its probable minimum duration?  
 To be stated in months. \_\_\_\_\_

24. To what extent is his capacity for earning a full livelihood in the general labour market lessened at present? *total incapacity*

In defining the extent of his inability to earn a livelihood, estimate it at  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ , or total incapacity. *yes*

25. If an operation was advised and declined, was the refusal unreasonable? \_\_\_\_\_

26. Do the Board recommend

(a) Discharge as permanently unfit, or *yes, discharged as permanently unfit*  
 (b) Change to England? \_\_\_\_\_

Signatures:—

*Cluny Macpherson Major* President.

*Prindall, D.A., etc.*  
*L. Paterson Major* Members.

Station *St John's*  
 Date *Nov 21st 1916*

Approved.

Station *St John's*  
 Date *21. 11. 16*

*Cluny Macpherson Major*  
 Administrative Medical Officer *D.M.S.*



## TUBERCULOSIS DISPENSARY

St. John's, Nfld.

19. Nov. 1917.

Mr. Nicholas Power has this day asked me to examine his lungs & give him a written statement of my findings which are as follows:—

Left Lung:— There is distinct evidence of tuberculous disease at the apex though not in an advanced stage.

Right Lung:— The whole of the lung is involved & there is an extensive cavity in the upper part of the lung involving quite one-third of the entire lung.

H. Rendell.

if you write me.  
Please send this  
Back to me

CP 319  
Sept 26/18.

Dear Mr. Bennett.

Re Pt. Power -

It was decided at a  
joint meeting of the Pension  
Board - and Lady managers of  
Jensen Camp a few days  
ago - "that all cases of Tubercular  
disease would be admitted to  
the Camp, pending arrangements  
being made for the more  
severe or incurable cases -

Powers name was  
mentioned - and some objection  
was made by one or two  
of the ladies to his being  
admitted - but as there was  
no application from him,



for admission, before the  
meeting - a decision was  
not arrived at -

Unfortunately, at the  
present time - I am laid  
up, myself. We expect to  
be down on Friday - and  
will bring Power's case up -

I think I can arrange  
for his admission - but  
will have to talk it over  
with the lady - managed -

Yours Sincerely

Wm. Parsons.

Power is willing to wait -  
until I put his case to the  
Board - Wm

the treatment<sup>4</sup> Dr. Pendall  
Affords do not suit  
me what i have been  
treating my self to is  
Eggs and whiskey and light  
food and Dr Fuitts  
Ordered Medicizen. So  
If you Consider it  
a Crime to Live as  
one may the Best One  
Can i Will drop all  
and Leave the Rest  
to God. you need not  
shak of the Night i wrote  
of i was told to Publish it

Look up  
74 Patrick St  
City 16-1118  
Hon J R Bennett

Dear Sir your Letter of the  
15th inst at hand. you may  
be surprised to hear that  
I have Left the Sanatorium.  
But i must tell you why i  
have Left the San - i was  
not discharged. for my  
Relations with Dr Pendall  
and Staff are very friendly  
you may or may not  
that on the Night of  
Oct 20 i was ordered out  
of Jensen Camp. it was



Raining. i<sup>2</sup> not Been able  
to walk to town i had  
to seek shelter from a  
kind Lady on Mundy  
Pond Road. i had ~~platt~~  
ed to her house in the  
dark. alone. so i got  
a fresh cold so i went  
to Dr Rendall to ask him  
to examine me which he  
did. I then asked him  
if he would give me  
a Bed in the Sanatorium  
and he did but i  
asked him to give me  
a week to Prepear.

But. Dr<sup>3</sup> Rendall sent  
for me and told me  
that you had asked him  
to look to me so i  
went to the San. but  
found it very hard to  
stay there that is one  
like me. i had Been  
used to a little heat  
I was not able to Run  
or walk to keep my  
self warm i used to  
be frozen all the time  
so i couldnt stand it

tell you who should  
be put out... i am  
Reconciled to the in-  
Evitable - and may not  
Last long as you  
will see by the note  
Enclosed - i dont Blame  
you <sup>to do</sup> as you did  
for <sup>me</sup> ~~my~~

yours truly  
How Even she  
Sails

Next no Nicholas Power  
319

But. i did not or would  
not do that it would  
would cause to much  
trouble as we are having  
trouble enough at this  
time. i will leave  
the ones who are the  
cause of my suffering  
to god he will provide  
for me if you want  
to know of me and  
how i dated while  
in fense Camp ask  
Jon Rendall he may

January 15, 1918.

Mr. N.J.Power,  
74 Patrick St.,  
City.

Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your note of the 12th inst., and in reply I may say that it comes as a surprise to me to hear that you are still living at the above address. I felt sure that you were receiving treatment as a patient in Bowcock's Sanatorium, as I had arranged with Dr. Rendell for you to go out there. I would like you to inform me whether you have been in there or not.

Yours faithfully,

Acting Minister of Militia.



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2 2-6 to be paid in  
front of me  
574 Patrick St

Jan 12, 18

Hon J R Bennett

City

Dear Sir,

I Write to you on a matter of  
the greatest importance to my  
Happiness and shall most  
anxiously await your reply.

I Would come to you in Person.  
But i am very ill and weak.  
As you must know i was in  
Jensen Camp receiving treatm  
ent. for ten months before  
going in i had been receiv  
ing five Dollars per Week  
But it was reduced to.

Ten Dollars per month.

Now Sir i think it but fair that i should be getting the same as i was getting before i went to the Camp. Now Sir when i was sent home from the Camp they said they would look to me. I have no doctor tending me now, and no treatment at all, because my

Allowance has been reduced.

I have the Letter, to that Effect and shall hold it,

all others who was there. one gone to their home but they are getting looked after if i was able to work all i would not even attempt to write you, i can not even get a drop of Brandy. or in others words a Spot. i was to three doctors and i could not get any, now Sir i dont think it right that one sick should be refused such



In closing you will please  
Accept my sincere thank  
for your kindness to me  
(passed) I assure you I  
feel grateful to you for  
same

yours truly

W. Power