

# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 3494 Name George A. Butler Corps S.A.

### Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- 1. What is your name? ..... 1. George A. Butler
- 2. What is your full Address? ..... 2. Wellington B.B.
- 3. Are you a British Subject? ..... 3. Yes
- 4. What is your age? ..... 4. 22 Years 5 Months
- 5. What is your Trade or Calling? ..... 5. Lumberman
- 6. Are you Married? ..... 6. Yes
- 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,\* which? ..... 7. No
- 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? ..... 8. Yes
- 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? ..... 9. Yes
- 10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? ..... 10. { Name .....  
Corps .....
- 11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? ..... 11. Yes

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

George A. Butler ..... SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

H. Whitehead ..... Signature of Witness.

### OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

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

### CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

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

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

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at St. John's on this 26 day of July 1917.

Signature of Attesting Officer: Mark Aye Cpt

### † CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

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

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

Date ..... 1917

Place ..... } Approving Officer.

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

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

# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT

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

Name: George A. Bayles  
 Apparent age: 22 years 5 months. Height: 5 feet 3 inches  
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded: 35 inches  
 Range of expansion: 3 inches  
 Distinctive marks: \_\_\_\_\_

## INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin: Mr. Harry Bayles  
Bayles, Wellington, N.Z. 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)
<u>Young Elizabeth King Wellington, N.Z.</u>	<u>Wellington, N.Z.</u>	<u>Chap. Qtr.</u>	
<u>Spinster see SR. 114.</u>			

Particulars as to Children

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth

## STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or Depot	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>26-2-17</u>									
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>February 26</u> 17									
<u>Embarked at St. John's train to Halifax N.S.</u>				<u>7</u> 17					<u>Embarked for B.C. 22</u>
<u>Joined unit in the field</u>				<u>12-10-17</u>					<u>Returned to 89th</u>
<u>W.S. High 22 17</u>		<u>Invalidee to England</u>		<u>28-11-17</u>					<u>Admitted to St. John's Hosp.</u>
<u>Candell Street 106. W.S. High Rd. 29</u>				<u>11-17</u>					<u>Discharged 7 17</u>
<u>Embarked for B.C. 10-5-1918</u>									<u>Embarked France 13-5-1918</u>
<u>Joined Battalion 17-5-1918</u>									
				<u>Killed in action</u>					<u>1918</u>
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Total Service towards Engagement to 5-10-18 (date of discharge) 1 years 222 days

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C.R.

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Unit the Royal Nfld.  
Regt., St. John's, Feby. 25th, 1917

3494 Pts. Geo. Abram Butler.

Attached to the Strength from Feb. 27th, 1917.

C.R. 3494

Extract from Nominal Roll, embarked St. John's for Overseas 7/6/17

#3494 PTW. G.A.BUTLER

only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reserve

# MEDICAL HISTORY

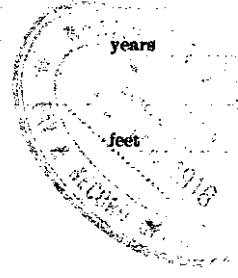
Surname Butler

OF  
Christian Name Geo

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	on	day of	on	day of
Examined	26 <sup>th</sup>	Feb'y	1917	
at	St John's			
Declared Age	38	years	5	days
Trade or Occupation	Lumberman			
Height	5	feet	5	inches
Weight	120	lbs.		
Chest Measurement	Grith when fully expanded		35	inches
	Range of Expansion		3	inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
	/			
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R. E.—V=	6/6	R. E.—V=	
	L. E.—V=	6/6	L. E.—V=	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(a)		(a)	
	(b)		(b)	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to Cause rejection				
Approved by (Signature)	J. W. Burden			
(Rank)	Lieut			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at	St John's	at	
	on	26 <sup>th</sup>	on	
		day of		
		Feb'y		
		1917		
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
	4/11 <sup>th</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> Yld	3494		
Transferred to	Regt			
Became non-effective by				
	on	day of	on	day of
		191		191
(Signature)				
(Rank)				





**FIELD SERVICE.**

Army Form B. 2096.

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. 86, or from other official documentary sources.

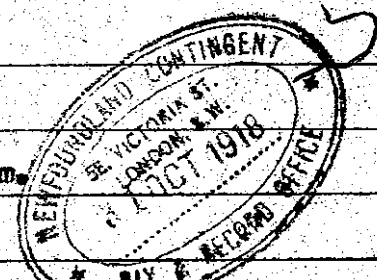
REGIMENT OR CORPS "1st Newfoundland Regt." Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company B.

Regimental No. 3494. Rank Private

Surname Butler. Christian Names G.

Date 5-10-18. Place France or Belgium.

Died Cause of Death\* Killed in Action



Nature and Date of Report B 213 d/10/10/18.

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

COPIES SENT		
To	No.	DATE
M. of M.	2/4/18	10/10/18
O.C. 1st Bn.		
" 2nd Bn.		

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 25 OCT 1918 Signature of Officer in charge of Section [Signature]  
 Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

[Signature]  
 For Officer i/c No 1 Infantry Section  
 3rd Echelon. General Headquarters

C.R. 3494

Extract of Casualties received from War Record  
Office, London, dated December 6, 1917.

#3494 Pte. G. Butler. ✓

Wounded 20/11/17.

Authy:- O.C. Unit 28/11/17.

## Close Connection with all the World

### Air Messages Sent are Subject to the Following Conditions

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

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

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

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

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

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated December 1, 1917

To Mrs. Fanny E. Butler,

Wellington, B.B.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No. 3494, Private George A. Butler, has been admitted to Military Hospital, Endell Street, London, suffering from gunshot wound right thigh.

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

R. A. SQUIRES,

Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 3494

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record  
Office, London, dated December 26, 1917.

Doctor in charge, Military Hospital, Endell St.,  
W.C. reports:-

#3494 Pte. G.A. Butler. ✓

Discharged Hospital 26/12/17 furlough to 7/1/18.  
Fit for 1 Duty.

C.R. 3494

Extract from Nominal Roll of Draft to B.E.F. embarked  
Southampton 10-5-17.

#3494 Pte.G.A.Butler.

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPH

**Cable Connection with all the World**

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**(NOT TRANSMITTED)**

Signature of Sender \_\_\_\_\_ Address **Dept of Militia**

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated

Oct. 31st, 1918

To

Fannie E. Butler, Willington, B.B.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No. 3494, Private George A. Butler killed in action October 5th.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J.R. Bennett

Chge Dept of Militia

Minister of Militia.

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

This Message is not to be delivered until Receiving Office notifies that Message to S.A. Officer or School Teacher Willington, B.B. has been received and acted upon

**FOR TYPEWRITER**

No. of Paper 1481

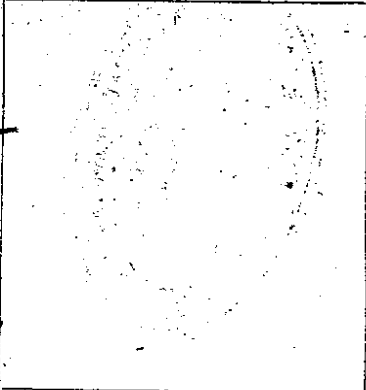
**PERSONAL EFFECTS.**

Name Butler J.A.

C.R. 3494

Rank Private

Regiment

Article	Where stored	Notified by
<p>1 Package Containing:- Testament; photos; 2 titles, wound stripes, purse containing 50 cts.</p>		
	<p>Final disposal</p>	
	<p>OK</p>	

Remarks :- Casualty Advice :- Killed in Action 5-10-18  
 Next of Kin :- Wife :- Mrs Fanny E. Butler  
 Wellington N.Z.



M.F. A-3.  
20m-10-17

**C.R. 3494**

# DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPT. OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

June 10th 1919.

RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA:

1. Parcel

Containing the effects of ~~your~~ <sup>my</sup> late husband  
#3494, Pte. G.A. Butler.

Date July 7 1919

Signed Mrs. Grace A. Butler

1958/5/R.&.C.

From C.P. & O. i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent.  
To D.G.G.R. &.E.,  
Winchester House.

Reference reverse: there is no trace of "3153 Pte.  
G.A. Butter" in the Royal Newfoundland Regt. There is,  
however, 3494 Pte. G.A. Butler, who was Killed in Action 5/10/18,  
The latter belonged to the 1st Bn.

Please note that all men of the Royal Newfoundland  
Regt. who are Killed in Action belong to the 1st Bn., as this  
is the only unit which has been Overseas.

Capt.,

For Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

Pay & Record Office.  
3/2/19.

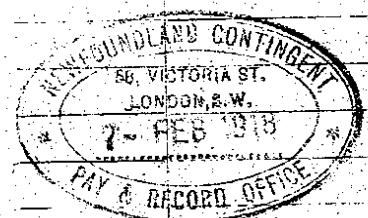
Army Form B. 103.

Regiment

**Casualty Form - Active Service.**

Rank *Pte.* Surname *Butler.* Christian Name *George A.*  
 Religion *S. A.* Age on Enlistment *22* years *5* months  
 Enlisted (a) *St. Johns.* Terms of Service (a) *Duration* Service reckons from (a) *21<sup>st</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 17*  
 Date of promotion to present rank ..... Date of appointment to lance rank .....  
 Extended { ..... } Re-engaged { ..... } Qualification (b) .....  
 or Corps Trade and Rate .....  
 Occupation *Turnherman* Signature of Officer *Stick Motient*

Date	Report From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A. 56, 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. 56, or other official documents.
			Embarked <i>Shampton</i>	<i>22 9 17</i>	
			Disembarked <i>Rouen</i>	<i>27 9 17</i>	
			Joined Battalion <i>7 2 707</i>	<i>19 17</i>	
<i>28/10/17</i>	<i>of Lieut</i>	<i>Wounded in action</i>	<i>France</i>	<i>20/10/17</i>	<i>10212</i>
<i>29/10/17</i>	<i>897 A</i>	<i>As Capt. These trans</i>	<i>48004</i>	<i>21/10/17</i>	<i>804004</i>
	<i>of Granting date</i>	<b>Transferred to England</b>		<i>28/10/17</i>	<i>Went</i>



*J. Henry*  
 MAJOR  
 G. I/c No. 1 Infantry Section  
 G.H.Q. 3rd Echelon

(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, Shoing-Smith, &c.  
 W. 13863-M1477, 300000 1/17 (27612) S.P. & Co. Ltd. Form B. 103/14. E. 1354. P.T.O.

Army Form B. 103.

Regimental Number

Casualty Form - Active Service



Regiment or Corps Royal Newfoundland  
 Rank Pte. Surname Buller Christian Name George A.  
 Religion Salvation Army Age on Enlistment 22 years 5 months  
 Enlisted (a) St John Terms of Service (a) Duration Service reckons from (a) 26-2-14  
 Date of promotion to present rank ..... Date of appointment to lance rank .....  
 Extended  Re-engaged  Qualification (b) .....  
 or Corps Trade and rate .....  
 Occupation Lumberman Signature of Officer J. R. King

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 <b>10 MAY 1918</b> Disembarked <b>13 MAY 1918</b> <b>ARRIVED D.I.B.D.</b>			
	<i>copy of report</i>	<i>James Buller</i>		<i>5-10-18</i>	
		<i>Travis</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, Sholing-Smith, & Co. W. 4025 212793 200000 9/17 (35611) C. P. & S. Ltd., Form B.103 2/1007. P.T.O.

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Number of Sheet *1*  
 Signature of O. C. Company *Max Dept*

Regiment of *1st Newfoundland*

Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	
No.	<i>31194</i>	Age on	<i>22</i> years <i>5</i> months	<i>Landorman</i>	
Joined	<i>Battery, George, A.</i>	Place and date of Enlistment	<i>St. John's, Nfld.</i>	Religion	<i>S. A.</i>
Joined		Period of	<i>26-2-17</i>	Place of Birth	<i>S. A.</i>
Joined		with Colours	<i>222</i> years	Names of Witnesses	
		with Reserve	<i>265</i> years	Punishment awarded	
Place		OFFENCE		Date of award or order made with file	REMARKS
Date of Offence				By whom awarded	
Rank					
Class of Drinkiness					

*Drags by Down 6.5.18. R.C.*

*Overstaying pass from midnight until 12 NOON 7.5.18. 12 hours.*

*Forfeit 1 day's pay by R.C.M. Reg.*

*Filed in Action 5/18*

To be carried over

DEPARTMENT OF



THE COLONIAL SECRETARY  
ST JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

December 25th, 1929.

Sir,

I beg to forward letter under date 9th instant from the High Commissioner's Office, London, regarding the grave of 3494, Pte. G.A. Butler, Royal Newfoundland Regiment, who is buried in Slypskappelle Churchyard, Belgium. Will you kindly make the necessary enquiry of the next of kin of the said deceased soldier in order to ascertain whether they will agree to have the remains removed as suggested. Please return the enclosed letter with your reply.

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

Deputy Colonial Secretary.

J.M. Howley Esq.,  
Militia Archivist,  
General Post Office.

Dept. of Militia,  
St. John's.

August 19 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 3494 Rank *Sergeant*  
Name *George A. Bunn*  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

*James Brown* (Sgd.)

*was his wife* Relationship.

Address *Hair Island 1213*