

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT C. of S.

ATTESTATION OF

No. 2990 Name Thomas Chas. Butler Corps

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

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|---|---|
| <p>1. What is your name?</p> <p>2. What is your full Address?</p> <p>3. Are you a British Subject?</p> <p>4. What is your age?</p> <p>5. What is your Trade or Calling?</p> <p>6. Are you Married?</p> <p>7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which?</p> <p>8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated?</p> <p>9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service?</p> <p>10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you?....</p> | <p>1. <u>Thomas Charles Butler</u></p> <p>2. <u>Middle Light, Kelligrews</u></p> <p>3. <u>Yes</u></p> <p>4. <u>28</u> Years <u>3</u> Months</p> <p>5. <u>Farmer</u></p> <p>6. <u>No</u></p> <p>7. <u>No</u></p> <p>8. <u>Yes</u></p> <p>9. <u>Yes</u></p> <p>10. { Name
Corps</p> |
|---|---|
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, Thomas Charles 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.

9th July 1916 Thomas Charles Butler SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

Chas. Aye Signature of Witness.

Thomas Charles 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 correctly entered as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me on this 9th day of July 1916.

Chas. Aye Capt
Signature of Attesting Officer

† CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the 1st Bn. St. John's

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

Date.....1916

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, as follows, viz:—(Name).....re-enlisted in the (Regiment).....on the (Date).....

C.R. 2990

Thos.C.Butler was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on July. 26th. 1916

Regimental No. 2990 was allotted to Pte Thos. C. Butler

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

C.R. 299

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's for Overseas,
28/8/16.

2990 Pte. J. Butler.

C.R. 2990

Extract from Nominal Roll Draft (All Ranks) to 1st
Bn. B.E.F. Embarked Southampton.

2990 Pte. T. Butler.

30-11-16.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname *Butler*

OF
Christian Name *Thomas Charles*

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish _____ County _____

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right.	Left	Right	Left.
Examined	on <i>27</i> day of <i>July</i> 191 <i>6</i>		on _____ day of _____ 191	
	at <i>York N.Z.S.</i>		at _____	
Declared Age	<i>28</i> years <i>3</i> months		years	days
Trade or Occupation	<i>farmer</i>			
Height	<i>5</i> feet <i>6</i> inches		feet	inches
Weight	<i>165</i> lbs.			lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <i>43</i> inches			inches
	Range of expansion... <i>4</i> inches			inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated	<i>no.</i>			
Vision	R.E.—V= <i>6/6</i>		R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V= <i>6/6</i>		L.E.—V=	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(a)		(a)	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to Cause Rejection	(b)		(b)	
Approved by (Signature)	<i>Liamon Paterson</i>			
(Rank)	<i>major</i>			
	Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at <i>St. Johns</i>		at _____	
	on <i>27</i> day of <i>July</i> 191 <i>6</i>		on _____ day of _____ 191	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps. <i>Newfed Regt</i>	Regtl. No. <i>2990</i>	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
	on _____ day of _____ 191		on _____ day of _____ 191	
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

Table III.—Boards: Courts of Inquiry, Vaccination, Inoculations, &c.; Examination for Field or Foreign Service, Extension, Re-engagement, or Prolongation of Service; Issue of Surgical Appliances; Particulars of Dental Treatment, &c.

Date	Brief Details, and Signature	
28-7-16	1 st Inoculation	T.P.P.
3-8-16	2 nd "	J.P.
9-8-16	3 rd "	J.P.
31-8-16	Vaccination	J.P.
12-11-16	Fit for foreign service J.P.W.	

TABLE IV.—SERVICE TABLE.

Station or Troopship	Date of Arrival or Embarkation	Date of Departure or Disembarkation	Station or Troopship	Date of Arrival or Embarkation	Date of Departure or Disembarkation

PAY LIST

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

Regiment or corps
 No. *2990* Rank *Pte* Name *Butler J. B.*
 Died (a) *Intestate* at *Tientsin* on the *25th* of *July* 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.*

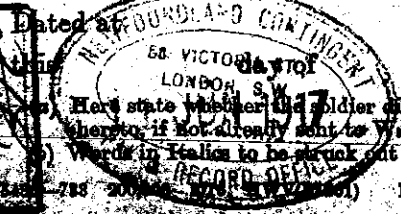
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Form I.

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month <i>25-217</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>2</i> ✓
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
		£	s.	d.	Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	191				Messing allowance days at _____			
	"				from _____ to _____			
	"				Kit allowance			
	Consolidated stoppage				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	<i>5</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>2</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	<i>5</i>	<i>11</i>		£	<i>5</i>	<i>11</i>
			<i>2</i>				<i>2</i>	

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ *5 11 2* is correctly chargeable against the Public (b).

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.



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Paymaster.

Here state whether the soldier died intestate, or whether he left a Will. In the latter case the Will should be annexed thereto, if not already sent to War Office with Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.

Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.
 Forms/O1625/27

ORIGINAL.

FIELD SERVICE

VICTORIA
LONDON, S.W.
MAR 15 1917

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.

WAR OFFICE
14 MAR 1917
RECORDS REG. INF.

REGIMENT } Newfoundland Regiment. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company }
or
CORPS }

Regtl. No. 2990 Rank Private

Name BUTLER, T.C.

Died { Date March 2nd., 1917.
Place France.
Cause of Death* Killed in Action.

C.C. HQ.
ST. JOHN'S, N.F.L.D.
DATE MAR 22 1917

Nature and Date of Report B 213, 5/3/17.

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.

[Handwritten scribble]

Place

Burial Date

By whom reported

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

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.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } M. Brindall Capt. for Lt. Col., Officer i/c Records Reg. Inf. Sec. 1, 3rd. Echelon, G.H.Q., B.E.F.

Station and Date 3rd. Echelon, 9/3/17.

Counter No. _____

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

Cable Connection with all the World

All Messages Sent are Subject to the Following Conditions:

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

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

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

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

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

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender

Address

Wm Butler
for Rev. Canon Colley

Line Number	Red	By	Sent	by	Check
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Dated March 13, 1917.

To Mr. William Butler,

Middle Bight,

Kelligrews.

Regret to inform you Record Office, London, today reports that No. 2990, Private Thomas C. Butler, was killed in action March second.

J.R. BENNETT

Colonial Secretary.

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

This message is not to be sent until receiving office notifies that message to Rev. Canon Colley has been delivered and acted upon.

FOR TYPEWRITER

MEMORANDUM

C.R. 2990

No. 2990

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

To
**CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS
PAY & RECORD OFFICE
THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT
58 VICTORIA STREET
LONDON, S.W.1**

July 18th, 1918

13697

SUBJECT:

REPLY

**PARTICULARS OF GRAVE OF
2990, PRIVATE THOMAS C. BUTLER
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT**

Dated 28th August, 1918.

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE

This soldier was reported killed in action on March 2nd, 1917; and we are requested by his uncle to procure the particulars of his grave, and, if possible, a photograph of same. Will you kindly use your best endeavours to accede to this request.

Following is quoted for your information, please:

1. P & R.O. Memo 12901/32, 9/8/18 to D.G.R. & E.

Will you kindly inform me if the grave site of this man, who was reported Killed in Action 2/3/17, has yet been discovered? If so, is it possible to secure a photograph of the grave, which should be sent to this Office, please, for transmission to Newfoundland?

2. Reply thereto 19/8/18 (7458).

With reference to your minute 12901/32/R.&C. of 9th August 1918, the grave of the above man is not registered in this Office and all enquiries have proved unsuccessful.

W. J. Rendell

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.,

for Minister of Militia

J. S. Anderson
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

RECEIVED
7184
AUG 1918

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps Newfoundland

Regimental No. 2990 Rank Pte. Name Butler Thomas C.

Enlisted (at St. John's) Terms of Service (a) Duration Service reckons from (a) 26.7.16

Date of promotion } Date of appointment } Numerical position on
to present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os.

Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ 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				
		<u>Regimental Southampton</u>		<u>5.11.16</u>	
		<u>Enlisted Haden</u>		<u>1.12.16</u>	
		<u>Unit, joined Battalion</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>12.12.16</u>	<u>B 213</u>
		<u>With Battalion</u>		<u>23.1.17</u>	
<u>S. 3.17</u>		<u>Killed in Action</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>2.3.17</u>	<u>B 213</u>
		<u>Sgt J. W. Burchell</u>			
		<u>for Lt No. 1 Regular Infantry Section</u>			
		<u>Lt. 2 3rd Battalion</u>			

(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, Shoemaker, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

Certified true copy

Major W. H. Parsons, M.C.
R.A.M.C.

St. John's

Oct. 6/19.

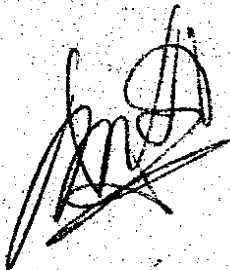
Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,
City.

Re:- #2990 Pte. F.C. Butler.

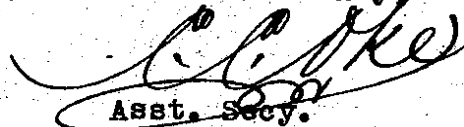
Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find cheque for \$436.80
being refund of amount paid in continuation
of the above mentioned soldier's allotment.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this amount.



Yours faithfully,



Asst. Secy.

GEC

The application of Wm. Butler to P. & D. Board

Lieut. J. M. Newley

Dear Sir:

You asked me a few days ago to send you, for the Pension & Disabilities Board, a written report on the application of Wm. Butler^{Farmington} of Middle Bight (Colony) near Kelloggsville; Uncle and dependent of Pte. Thos. C. Butler, No. 2990, 1st. Nfld. Regt. "Killed in action" on March. 2nd. 1917.

I beg to submit the following facts:

- 1: My brother Pte. Thos. C. Butler was adopted by his Uncle & Aunt when about four years old, and lived with them till he enlisted in the 1st. Nfld. Regt. in Aug. 1916.
- 2: My Uncle & Aunt never had a child, and adopted my brother as their own child, to be a support to them in their old age, and become heir to their estate.
- 3: Following are members of our family:
Both } Father: Garland B. Butler, of Yrignest
dead } Mother: Sarah Butler
Children living: (Rev) Wm. Butler (Administrator of Father's estate)
next of kin: Mrs. Clement Doyle

Mrs. Com. Clarke

Mrs. Stephen Parsons

(Pte. Thos. C Butler) adapted by Uncle

Miss Ethel Butler

Signaller A. F. Butler, No. 460, 1st. Nfld. Regt.

- 4: No part of my brother's support earnings went to any member of his own family. All his support or income was given by him to his Uncle & Aunt. He left no will, as far as we know. He would eventually have become heir to his Uncle's estate.
- 5: My Uncle is 69 yrs. and my Aunt 68. Each too old to do much work. They have now to hire people to work for them, and there is no relation on whom they can depend for support. Their only support has been "killed in action."
- 6: My brother, on enlisting in the Regt. allowed an allotment of 60¢ per day out of his pay, to his Uncle. This was stopped by your Dept. about two months after my brother's death.
- 7: The writer is certain that in a number of cases where soldiers have been killed, their dependents have been receiving the same

"allotment pay as before they died, and cannot understand why this case was not treated in the same way.

The least that the State can do towards those who voluntarily lay down their lives for in defence of their country is to look after those who ~~are~~ actually depended upon them for the necessaries of life. Why not put a special tax on "shackers" to help support the broken hearted, bereaved dependents left behind, instead of allowing them to strut about gloating over their big wages and profits, made possible in this country at the present time, just because we are at war.

I respectfully submit this report, which I hope I have made quite plain, with the hope that your Board will give due consideration to this most deserving case.

Hodges' Case
Random, T.B.
Nov. 17, 1917

Yours very sincerely
W.A. Butler
(Ch. Em. Clergyman)

Killybegs
- July 10th 1917

J. M. Dowley Esq.
St. John's 2990

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of July 5th re William
Butler uncle of the late Pte. Thomas C.
Butler duly received. In reply I beg to state
that I consider that William Butler is in
very good circumstances, no doubt he
misses the assistance of his late nephew
who lived with him and did all the hard
work about his place. William Butler
and his wife are both getting old and cannot
do the work as in former years. I cannot
for a moment think that either of them
will ever "suffer the pangs of hunger".

William Butler has a fine property
and I think he is very comfortably
situated but he does not enjoy good
food health and it costs a good deal
now to employ an assistant - no doubt
Mr. Butler would like to receive some
pecuniary assistance if possible.

Yours truly
G. F. F. F. F.

July 19th. 1917.

2990

William Butler, Esq.,
Kelligrews.

Dear Sir:-

The Patriotic Fund has considered your case, regarding the continuance of allotment, on account of your late nephew, and I have been instructed to inform you that your case will have to stand over, until the Legislature passes the Pension bill.

Then if you apply, your case will be settled permanently.

Yours truly,

Lieut.
Deputy Paymaster.

HMM/JH.

May 9th. 1918.

Mr. W. A. Butler,

Moore's Cove, N. B.

Newfoundland.

Dear Sir,

I enclose herewith cheque for \$28.54,
being the balance of the estate of the late No. 2990,
Private T. G. Butler, payable to you as Administrator.

I also enclose Letters of Administration.

Yours faithfully,

Capt. & Quartermaster
Officer i/c Records.

W.A.B.
W.A.

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

Aug. 13, 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 2990 Rank *Plt*
Name *Thomas G. Butler*
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

W. A. Butler (Sgd.)

Brother Relationship.

Address *Port de France, C.B. Nfld.*

OCT 21 1921 1921.

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

Rev. W.A. Butler (Brother)

in respect of his service as No. 2990 Rank Etc.

Name Thomas C. Butler Royal Nfld. Regt.
Mfld. Forestry Corps

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Nov. 1. 1921

Signature W.A. Butler

Date Jan. 10. 1922

Address Port de France

[P.T.O.]

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

Number of Sheet

1

Signature of O. C. Company

[Signature]

W. P. Griffith & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4.
(898) W6017224 1000m 6/18s 68 50

Regimental Number and Name

No. *2499* *Anders J.C.*

Joined *Sept* Date *5/9/16*

Joined _____ Date _____

Joined _____ Date _____

Enlistment

Age on *28* years *3* months

Place and Date of Enlistment *St John*

Period of *16-7-16* years *20* days with Reserve

Troop

Latimer

Roll *Co. C.*

Place of Birth *Hullington*

Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Productivity Pay

Punishment awarded

By whom awarded

REMARKS

Cases of Drunkenness

OFFENCE

Names of Witnesses

Punishment awarded

By whom awarded

REMARKS

Killed in Action 2/3

To be carried over

Army Form B. 121.