

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.

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

Reg. No. 1000

Name William Duke

Apparent age 20 years _____ months. Height 5 feet 7 inches.

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

Distinctive marks Complexion Light, Hair Black, Eyes Brown.

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin Mary Duke, Fox Harbor, P.R.

| Relationship Mother

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 pens on		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>March 20/15</u>									
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>Mar. 24/15</u>									
		<i>Died at Alexandria Dec 27/15</i>							
		<i>Embarked at St. John's St. Stephens 22/15</i>		<i>Embarked for G.P. 20/15</i>				<i>Disembarked West</i>	
		<i>and embarked for Legation 31-12-15</i>		<i>Embarked for Halifax 12-9-15</i>				<i>Landed Sabon Bay</i>	
		<i>left 10.20 September 1915</i>		<i>Arrived at S. David's 10 January 20-10-15</i>					
		<i>Admitted to Hospital 21 Feb 1915</i>		<i>Disembarked 23-11-15</i>					
		<i>Died of Meningitis 27-12-15</i>							
Total Service forfeited as above									

Total Service towards Engagement to 27-12-15 (date of discharge) 27 years 219 days

C.R. 1306

Wm. Duke was attested for General service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on March. 24th. 1915..
Regimental No 1306 was allotted to Pte. Wm. Duke

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

C.F. 1306

Extract from Nominal Roll "A" Company Embarked S.S.

to plane. April 22/18.

1306 Pte. Duke Wm.

C.R. 1306

Extract from Nominal Roll of 80. 1st Bn. Mfld. Regt.
Embarked at Devenport for active Service 20-8-15.

1306 Pte. W. Duke.

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

Used only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reservists enlisting into the Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname *Duke*

OF
Christian Name *William*

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish *Placentia* County *Newfoundland*

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <i>22</i> day of <i>March</i> 1915 at <i>St John's</i>		on _____ day of _____ 191____ at _____	
Declared Age	<i>20</i> years _____ days		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation	<i>Fisherman</i>			
Height	<i>5</i> feet <i>7</i> inches		_____ feet _____ inches	
Weight	<i>145</i> lbs.		_____ lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <i>33</i> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of expansion... <i>36 1/2</i> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm		Arm	
	Number		Number	
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R. E.—V== L. E.—V==		R. E.—V== L. E.—V==	
	(a) _____		(a) _____	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease				
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to Cause Rejection				
Approved by (Signature)	<i>L. Patterson</i>			
(Rank)	<i>Capt.</i>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <i>St John's</i> on <i>24</i> day of <i>March</i> 1915		at _____ on _____ day of _____ 191____	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.		Corps.	
	Regtl. No.	<i>1306</i>	Regtl. No.	
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
(Signature)	on _____ day of _____ 191____		on _____ day of _____ 191____	

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

Counter No. _____



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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 _____

W. M. Stanley

Address _____

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated: November 26, 1915.

To: Mrs. Mary Duke,
Fox Harbour, P.B.

Record Office, London, today reports No. 1306 Private William Duke, previously reported suffering from enteric, now out of danger.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 1306

Copy of Cablegram to Governor St. John's Nfld.
from P. & R. O. December 1st. 1915.

1306, Pte Duke. ✓

Dangerously Ill. Enteric 21, Gen. Hos. Alexandria Nov. 23

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender: Lud M. Shirley Address _____

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check
		<u>pro</u>	<u>Sec</u>		

Dated December 2, 1915.

To Mrs. Mary Duke,
Fox Harbour, P.B.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, today reports No. 1306, Private William Duke, previously reported out of danger after attack enteric, is again dangerously ill enteric Twentyfirst General Hospital Alexandria November twentythird.

J.R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

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1306

Extract from Casualty list received from Pay & Record Office,
London, dated January 17, 1916.

#1306 Pte. W³ Duke.

DIED. in 21st General Hospital, Alexandria 23rd Dec. 1915.

Counter No. _____

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender L. M. Ashley Address _____

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated January 4, 1916.

To Mrs. Mary Duke,
Fox Harbour, P.B.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, First Newfoundland Regiment, ^{London.} today reports that No. 1306, Private William Duke, died of meningitis December twentysixth.

J. R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

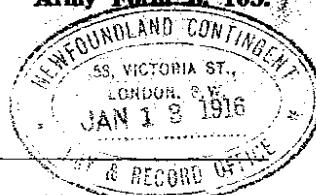
NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

This message is not to be forwarded until receiving office advises that message to Father Ashley has been delivered and acted upon.

FOR TYPEWRITER

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps Newfoundland



Regimental No. 1306. Rank Pte. Name Duke W. [unclear]

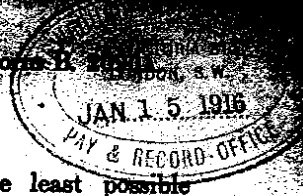
Enlisted (a) Mar. 24/15 Terms of Service (a) One year. Service reckons from (a) Mar. 24/15.

Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on 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. 30, 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. 30, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked St. John's, Nfld		30/4/15.	
		Disembarked Alexandria for		1/9/15.	
		Embarked/Gallipoli		13/9/15.	
25/10/15	"Dover Castle"	Ill, Dysentery A 36		20/9/15	A 15684
31/10/15	21st. Genl. Alexandria.	Admitted	21st Genl. Hosp., Alexa.	26/10/15	C 4285
24/11/15	do.	Dangerously ill.	do.	23/11/15	A 19945
28/12/15	do.	Died of Meningitis.	do.	27/12/15	E 4557
(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.



FIELD SERVICE

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 } Newfoundland Regiment. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } D Company.

Regtl. No. 1306 Rank Private
Name Duke, W.



Died { Date December 27th., 1915.
Place 21st. General Hospital, Alexandria.
Cause of Death* Meningitis.

Nature and Date of Report B 2090 (a), 28/12/15.

By whom made Medical Officer i/c 21st. Genl. Hosp., Alex.

* 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.

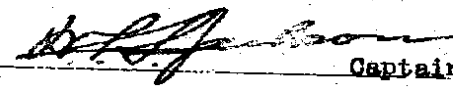
Burial { Place Not known.
Date Not known.
By whom reported

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

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  Captain

for Major, Officer i/c Records 11 & 12 Districts, 3rd. Echelon, Base, Egypt.

Station and Date ALEXANDRIA, 31/12/15.

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PAY LIST.

to

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Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps 1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

No. 1306

Rank Private

Name D. Duke

Died (a)

at Alexandria

on the 27th of December 1915.

~~Deceased 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. last month <i>Oct. 29 1915</i>	5	12	9 1/2		
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay <i>59</i> days at <i>1.00</i> from <i>30/10/15</i> to <i>27/12/15</i>	12	2	5 1/2		
		£	s.	d.	Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay					
	191				days at from to					
	"				<i>Field</i> allowance <i>59</i> days at <i>10*</i>					
	"				from <i>30/10/15</i> to <i>27/12/15</i> <i>\$520</i>	1	4	3		
	<i>Allowment</i>				Clothing and kit allowance					
	<i>59 days @ 60* \$35.40</i>	7	5	6	Amount produced by the sale of Necessaries					
	Consolidated stoppage				Personal Clothing and Effects from Form 2...					
	<i>Allowment to the 21</i>				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including					
	<i>4 days @ 60 2.40</i>		9	10	interest (if no balance, to be so stated)					
	Balance due by the Paymaster	11	4	2	Deferred Pay or Gratuity.....					
		£	18	19	6	Balance due to the Paymaster.....	£	18	19	6

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 18 19 6 is correctly chargeable against the Public (b)

Dated at

this

day of

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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 (W) O. with A.F.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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January 10, 1916.

Dear Madam,

It was with the greatest regret that the Government received a message from the Record Office, London, notifying that your son, Private William Duke, had died of meningitis on the 26th December.

Permit me on behalf of the Government as well as for myself to express to you their sincere sympathy at this time. In the sorrow which has come to your heart through the loss of your boy, there will be also some comfort in the thought that he gave his life for his King and his Country, and in defence of the principles of Righteousness, Truth and Liberty. Your gallant lad came forward at the call of Duty and nobly faced the foe, and though he has now laid down his earthly weapons, his name will be inscribed upon the glorious Roll of Honour and be held in fragrant memory by all his fellow countrymen. We are proud to have such gallant men and such noble and unselfish fathers and mothers who so willingly give their boys to their King and Country when Duty calls. When victory is assured and peace comes, it will be a pleasure for you to think that your brave son had no small part in bringing about that result.

I trust that at this time you and yours may have the consolation of the Great Father of all.

With my sincere sympathy,

Believe me to be,

Your obedient servant,

Mrs. Mary Duke,
Fox Hr.,
Pisces Bay.

Colonial Secretary.

3rd. Echelon,

G.H.Q., M.E.F.

Jany. 26th., 1916.

To Pay & Record Offices,
Newfoundland Regiment,
58 Victoria Street,
London. S.W.

I forward under separate cover Army Form A.B. 64
and personal effects belonging to the late No. 1306,
Private Wm. Duke, D Company, 1st. Newfoundland Regiment,
as per list below:-

✓ 1 Prayer Book.
3 Religious symbols.
2 Postcards.

JTA



Captain
for Major,
Officer i/c Records 11 & 12 Districts,
3rd. Echelon, G.H.Q., M.E.F.

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G.H.Q. M.E.F.	
Ansd.	
File No.	

19th October, 1916.

Dear Madam,

Surgeon Major Cluney Macpherson during his stay in Egypt made special enquiries of the Hospital Authorities as to the burial place of such members of the Newfoundland Regiment as had died in Hospitals in Egypt, and as a result has amongst others secured two photographs which I beg to enclose herewith, and which I am sure will be of interest to you.

The first of these photographs gives a general view of the Cemetery at Chatby, Alexandria, Egypt, in which your son No. 1306, Private William Duke has been buried, whilst the second photograph shows the exact spot of your dear son's grave. This is marked by the small headstone bearing the number 2392.

Major Macpherson in writing to His Excellency the Governor respecting the Cemetery states as follows:-

"I visited these graves of which I enclose photographs, together with a general view of the Cemetery. This Military Cemetery has been enclosed by a high wall and consecrated. It is at the side of one of the largest Cemeteries here, which is like a beautiful garden. Already in the Military Cemetery a great deal has been done in the way of planting trees and shrubs. Vegetation is so rapid here that in a very short time the ground will lose its present bare look. Each grave is marked by a small concrete Headstone, bearing the number of the grave.

Major Macpherson has also sent forward a leaflet copy of which I enclose, which gives particulars as to the steps to be taken by friends of the deceased soldiers who may desire

desire to arrange for the erection of Headstones in the Cemetery.

I feel sure that you will appreciate the goodness of Major Macpherson in securing these photographs of your dear son's grave, which might otherwise have been almost impossible to obtain.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Mary Duke,
Fox Harbor, P. B.

Feb. 8th. 18.

Mrs. Mary Carrigan,
Fox Harbor, P.B.

Dear Madam:-

I enclose herewith cheque for \$56.54,
being the balance of the estate of the late Pte. J. Duke,
payable to you as Administratrix. I also enclose letters
of Administration.

Yours faithfully,

Enclosures

Capt. & Paymaster

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.


PAY VOUCHER.

\$56.⁵⁴/₁₀₀

Feb 6th 1916

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of Fifty Six ⁵⁴/₁₀₀ Dollars.
on account of Pay, balance of Pay, credit

Ch. No.	3909	Initials	EW.
Pay Ledger	13	Initials	EW.
Gen. Ledger	EW.	Initials	EW.

Regtl. No.  Rank

Placentia

Dec. 18th 1920

Dear Sir:-

I am writing to see if you can allow me a little favour as you no I have lost my sons pay John and William. They were both my sons the two of them went and got killed. I got no pay from John this long while, and now they are after taking William's from me. I have a big hearty boy and he is almost blind, and I am trying to get him in the hospital and I cant. Their father died when they were small and lefty nine, and when they got big they went off to the war and got killed, and that left me almost homeless. Two years after I got married, but the man I married had his own to look to. I do not care how little you send me, just enough to help the blind boy, and I have a little girl not able to earn for herself so will you please try to help me little, by doing so you will oblige

Sgd. Mrs. Mary Carrigan

Their Names were John and William Duke

My address; Mrs. James Carrigan
Town Side,
Placentia



C. No. 1306

27th January, 1920.

Sir,

I enclose letter from Mrs. James Carrigan, of Placentia, in relation to a blind boy, for whom she asks assistance. The only reason for referring the matter to your Department is that her two boys John and William went to the war and both were killed. Whether the circumstances of the case would justify any action in respect to the blind boy I cannot say. It may be that the case has already been before your Department.

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

Deputy Colonial Secretary.

Lt. Col. W. F. Rendell, C.B.E.,
Chief Staff Officer,
Department of Militia.

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PENSION COMMISSIONERS

Hon. Sir [Name], K.B.E.,
(President, Legislative Council),
Chairman.
Hon. J. [Name], C.B.E.,
Major W. H. Parsons, M.C.,
R.A.M.C.

No.

1306

St. John's,

Feb. 6th., 1920.

1964

Et. Col. W.F. Rendell, C.B.E.,
Chief Staff Officer,
City.

Re:- Mrs. James Carrigan, mother of
John and William Duke deceased.

Sir:-

I have the honour to refer to the above noted case, which was considered by the Board of Pension Commissioners on December 12th., and as Mrs. Carrigan had married since her son's decease, and was not at that time dependent an award could not be made.

It is regretted that under the Act we are unable to do anything in respect of her son who is blind, but it is suggested that this boy should be brought into town and examined by a Specialist and if blind, arrangements be made to have him admitted to a Blind School at Halifax.

Probably the Patriotic Fund might be able to take this case up.

Attached herewith I beg to return your letter.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,

W. H. Parsons
Secretary.

RECEIPT.

C.R.

1306

I hereby certify that I have received the 1914-1915

STAR.

1306 Name

Mary ^{in Co} Carrigan
mark

St. Luke's Medal

Witness,

Wm. E. Reilly

Date

March 23rd

Place

St. Luke's

m B

10985

Placentia
June. 18/1920

Dear sir -
As I had two
sons killed in
the war I am
writing to see if
I am not intitled
to their discharge
money, I never
got no money only
their pay, ^{and} one
of them was
\$18.00 dollars and the
other \$20.00 And I
never got that this
long while, Not
as because I
got married they

are my children
 just the same
 these is fathers
 and mothers
 getting it that were
 married all the
 time and had their
 sons killed and
 they are getting it
 still, they fought
 and died for their
 king and country
 so please try and
 assist me a little
 I needs it very
 bad

J D
 Mrs James Carrigan
 Placerville
 N. L. D.

1964 1306.
 John + William Duke

Wotam?

Centats have been found
 in both cases to Mary
 Carrigan, Fox Harbor.
 1964 Johnny Duke \$20.46
 1306 W. Duke 56.54

July 9, 1920

Mrs. James Carrigan,
Placentia.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of June 18th, please be advised that the balance of pay due on account of the deceased men, John and William Duke, was paid to Mary Carrigan, Fox Harbour.

I wish to state further, that War Service Gratuity is not paid to dependents or Next of Kin of deceased men, but is only paid to men themselves on their discharge.

Yours truly,

Capt.
For Paymaster.

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. 1306 Name Duke

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

Name William Duke

Date 14

Place Glacenia

fair complexion

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

