



First Newfoundland Regiment

ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1431

Name in full Ralph McDonald Age 19

Address St George's

Married Single Height 5ft 8in Weight 138

Single Buddy Hair brown Eyes blue

Other distinguishing marks Grandfather Wm Sheppard

Nearest relative St George's

Address road

Dependents funnier

Occupation Present Wage \$75 per mo

Previous service _____

Decorations _____

General Remarks _____

Date of Enlistment April 17/15

Ralph McDonald

I, _____, 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 condition of my service.

Ralph McDonald

Declared before me this 26 day
of April 1915
A. M. Lawrence

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.

Applicable to all ranks. To correspond with entries on the Medical History Form No. 1451

Name Ralph McDonald

Apparent age 19 years _____ months. Height 5 feet 8 inches.

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

Distinctive marks Color: Ruddy, Hair: Brown, Eyes: Blue.

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin William Sheppard, St. Georges, Nfld.

Relationship Grandfather

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) Signature of Officer verifying entry from certificate.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d) Verified from certificate.

Particulars as to Children.

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth	(d) Verified from certificate.

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. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					years	days	years	days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>Ap. 17/15</u>									
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>Ap. 17/15</u>									
<i>Embarked on St. John's St. Catharines 20/15</i>									
<i>Revised 8-4-16 joined unit 26/16</i>									
<i>Transferred to Newfoundland 5-7-16</i>									
<i>Embarked for Newfoundland 25-8-16</i>									
<i>Arrived Newfoundland 10-10-16</i>									
<i>Embarked St. John's 8/16</i>									
<i>Admitted 8/16</i>									
<i>Embarked St. John's 27-9-16</i>									
<i>Embarked Newfoundland 27-9-16</i>									
<i>Discharged medically Dept. 31-1-17</i>									
Total Service forfeited as above									

Total Service towards Engagement to 31-1-17 (date of discharge) 1 years 290 days
 " " " Pension " _____ (") _____ " "

Regimental Number

1431
200

Company

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THE
1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

I hereby enlist for service at home or abroad in the King's
Forces under the following conditions:

For the duration of the present war, or until my
discharge.

Subject to the Army Act, the King's Regulations,
and to such ordinances as may apply or may
be made to apply to the British Regular Army.

Subject to the Newfoundland Volunteer Act,
5 George V., Chapter IV.

Signed

Ralph McDonald

Witness

A. K. Goddard 2/1st

Dated at

April 5 1916

C. 1431

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked S.S. John's for Overseas, per
S.S. "Calgarian" "P". June, 1915.

1431 Pte. MacDonald R.

C.R. 1431

Extract of Nominal Roll Draft (All Ranks) to 1st Bn.,
B.L.F. Barked Southampton.

1431 Pte. R. MacDonald.

8-4-16.

C.R. 1431

Ralph McDonald was attested for General service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on April 17th 1915.
Regimental No 1431 was allotted to Pte. R. McDonald

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th, 1919.

C.R. 1431

Extract from list of men of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment discharged on various dates.

#1431 Pte. Raph MacDonal d, discharged Jan. 31st 1917,
Medically unfit

C.R. 143A

Copy of Cablegram to Governor St. John's Nfld from P.&.R.O 30 Sep. 1916

1431. Pte McDonald.

Left Liverpool on Scandinavian. 27th. Sept. Passage has been provided
to Quebec. On Furlough.

C.R. 1431

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record Office,
London, dated July 31, 1916.
(Extract from Army Form B 2131 from O.C. 1st. Nfld. Regt.
dated 11/7/16.)

#1431 Pte. R. McDonald. ✓

Wounded in Action 1/7/16.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated
July 8, 1916.

To Mr. William Sheppard,
St. George's.

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,
London, officially reports No. 1431, Private Ralph
McDonald, is at Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, suffering
from gunshot wound in left side.

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.

1431
Private Ralph McDonald.

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CASUALTIES

3rd LONDON GENERAL HOSPITAL, WANDSWORTH, S. W.,

Reports, 19th July, 1916,

ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL, 18th July, 1916,

1431 Pte MacDonald R.

(Transfer from R. Victoria Hosp., Netley)

Authority:-

Notification from
Registrar, R.A.M.C.F.,
3rd London Genl Hosp.,
Wandsworth, S. W.

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in case of Warrant officers treated in quarters.

the cause, nature or treatment of the case likely to be of interest or of future use. In cases of and re-admissions to hospital will be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars not out of hospital, transfers, &c., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.

Signature of Medical Officer

I477/16 There is a small wound on the lower part of the left side of the thorax, a track leads back and out behind.

The pleural cavity does not appear to have been touched

His condition is quite satisfactory.

He is fit for transfer to an Auxilliary Hospital.

To Newfoundland Hospital
franked per [unclear]
L.F.H.

[Handwritten initials]

MAJOR, R.A.M.C.
Surgical Division

[Handwritten signature]
Capt. [unclear]
L. Capt. [unclear]

PAY LIST.

to

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NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps

No. *1431*

Rank

Private

Name

R McDonald

Died (a)

at

on the

of

1916.

Deserted at

On Fenton gk.

on the

of

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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.....	1	0	0	Balance Cr. last month.....	1	10	7
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay <i>36</i> days at <i>110</i> from <i>298</i> to <i>299</i> <i>- \$39.60</i>	8	2	9
					Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay			
					days at _____ to _____			
					Messing allowance days at _____			
					from _____ to _____			
					Clothing and kit allowance			
					Amount produced by the sale of Necessaries			
					Personal Clothing and 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	17	2	1	Balance due to the Paymaster.....			
		£	9	13		£	9	13

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 9 13 1 is correctly chargeable against the Public (b)

Dated at

this

day of *Sept*

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J. H. Marshall
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 A.F.B. 1090 or Army Form O. 1815.

(b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

CHECKED

FORM K

No. ^A 1105



1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ALLOTMENTS

I, Ralph McDonald, Regl. No. 1431
 hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official form to make an Allotment of
 Dollars and 70 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.:

Identity Certif. No.	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative or Friend	NAME (in full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
1		Grandfather Mr Wm	St George	70
1		Sheppard		
8		St Georges		
7				
• Commencing July 12				
Total Allotment, \$				<u>70</u>

NOTE.—This form must be completed by the Officer Commanding Company, signed by the Volunteer, counter-signed by the Officer Commanding Company and handed to the Paymaster as authority to make the required payments on application.

(Sig.)

Officer Commanding

Company

St John

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(Sig.)

(Rank)

Ralph McDonald

Plt

No. 6323

N.F.P./113.

NEWFOUNDLAND / CONTINGENT

Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria Street,
London, S.W. 1.

To: Mr. R. McDonald,

18, Russel Street,

24th April 1919

Ayr, Scotland.

WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

In view of your impending discharge/retirement in this Country, to enable assessment of any Gratuity that you may be entitled to in respect of War Service, the enclosed form of claim is forwarded for completion and return to this Office.

For J. H. Marshall
Chief Paymaster & C. i/o records.

April 23, 1919

#1421 Pte. Ralph McDonald,

St. George's.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your application I enclose cheque for Seventy dollars (\$70.00), being amount of first payment due you on account of the "War Service Gratuity."

Yours Truly

Paymaster & O.i/c Records Captain.

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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
WAR SERVICE GRATUITY.

St. John's, Newfoundland.

Declaration required of Officers and men of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, who claims War Service Gratuity under Order-in-Council dated January 28th. 1919.

A complete reply must be given to every question in this Declaration. There must be no blanks and no dashes, if any questions are not applicable, the words "NOT APPLICABLE" must be written out.

On completion this Declaration is to be returned to THE OFFICER I/C RECORDS, PAY & RECORD OFFICE, ST. JOHN'S.

Christian name *Ralph* 2. Surname *McDonald*

3. Rank *Private* 4. Regt. No. *1431*

5. Address in full to which future payments of gratuity are to be forwarded *St. George's Hld*

6. Date of enlistment in the Regiment *17 April 1915*

7. Name of dependent, if any, to whom Separation Allowance is being issued, or was being issued, immediately prior to your discharge *None*

8. Relationship of such dependents

9. Address in full of such dependents *Not applicable*

10. Is said dependent, now, or was said dependent at any time in receipt of Separation Allowance on account of another soldier? *No*

11. Were you on active service only in Hld. If so, give dates and particulars of such service *Overseas*

12. Give total length of time which you served on active service, whether in Hld. or Overseas *One year and two hundred and ninety days*

13. Have you had more than one enlistment? If so, give particulars of discharge and re-enlistments, and under what regimental numbers.

One

14. Have you already received any payment of Post Discharge pay or War Service Gratuity? If so, state amount you and your dependents have already received and by whom paid.

No

15. Have you been issued with a War Service Badge?

Yes

16. Have you, during the present war, served in the Imperial Forces?

No

17. Are you entitled to receive, or have you received any Gratuity in the nature of Post Discharge Pay from the Imperial Forces? If so, state amount received, or to which you are entitled.

No

18. Did you revert Overseas to a rank lower than the substantive rank held by you on your arrival in England?

No

(b) If so, was such reversion in consequence of Misconduct or inefficiency?

19. Are you now serving in the Res? If not give - (a) Date of discharge

31st Jan. 1917

No

(b) Reason for discharge

Physically

Unfit on account of wounds received in action

20. Did you at any time serve at the front in an actual theatre of War? If so give particulars of places, and dates of such service.

*Yes, in France, Sommes front 1916
Wounded at Beaumont Hamel - 1st July 1916*

21. (a) Are you receiving treatment from the Civil Re-Establishment Com. (b) If so are you in receipt of full pay and allowances from that Committee.

No

Signature of Applicant:

Rich MacDonaid

Place of Residence:

St George's Nfld

Declared before me at:

St George's

This

19¹⁸

day of

April

19...19....

D J Belhune md

Signature of Barrister of the
Supreme Court, Stipendiary Magis-
trate, Notary Public, Justice of the
Peace, or Commissioner of affidavits.

POST DISCHARGE PAY.

Date paid	Paid Soldier.	Paid Dependent.	War Service Gratuity.	Net amount due
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Certified correct.

Registrar

Casualty Form—Active Service.

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Regiment or Corps Newfoundland
CR 1431
Rank Pte Name McDonald Ralph

Enlisted (a) 17.4.15 Terms of Service (a) was Service reckons from (a) _____

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. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to quote in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Reported from <u>8.4.16</u>			
	<u>Mr James Patahan</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>26.4.16</u>	<u>B 213</u>	
	<u>Sgt A G W Rhead</u>	<u>Belgium</u>	<u>27.16</u>	<u>8011968</u>	
	<u>Mr James Patahan</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>27.16</u>	<u>43013</u>	
					<u>clock</u> CAPTAIN FOR THE INFANTRY RECORD 2.14.16 2nd ECHOLON

(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.

OCT 1921.

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

Ralph McDonald

in respect of his service as No. 1431 Rank Pte.

Name R. McDonald Royal Nfld. Regt.
~~Nfld. Forestry Corps.~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received November

Signature Ralph McDonald

Date 3

Address St-Georges

[P.T.O.]

RECEIPT FOR ISSUE OF
RIBAND OF BRITISH WAR MEDAL-1914-1919.

C.R. 1431

I certify that I have received a issue of 2 inches
of Riband of British War Medal-1914-1919

NAME *Alph. MacDonald*

(Date) *Nov. 21*

(Place) *St. George*

RECEIPT.

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FOR ISSUE OF RIBAND OF VICTORY MEDAL 1914-1919.

I certify that I have received an issue of
2 inches of Riband of Victory Medal-1914-1919.

NO. 1431 NAME Ralph MacDonald

DATE Jan. 7

PLACE St. Georges