

First Newfoundland Regiment

ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1534

Name in full Archibald Harold Porter, Age 19

Address Chance Islands, N.D. Bay.

~~Married~~
Single Height 5ft 5 in Weight 127

Color Dark complexion Hair Black Eyes Grey

Other distinguishing marks

Nearest relative Mother (Lucy Ann)

Address Chance Islands

Dependents Mother (partly)

Occupation Fisherman Present Wage 1300⁰⁰ per year

Previous service

Decorations

General Remarks

Date of Enlistment May 11th 1915

I, Archibald Harold Porter, 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.

Archibald H. Porter

Declared before me this 11 day
of May 1915

years _____ months _____ Height _____ feet _____ inches _____
 Chest measurement Width when fully expanded _____ inches.
Range of expansion _____ inches.
 Distinctive marks Color dark complexion, Hair Black, Eyes Gray.

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin Lissy Ann Porter, Orange Islands, B.I.A.
 | Relationship _____

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. O. Fay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					years	days	years	days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>May 11/15</u>									
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>May 11/15</u> Embarked for U.S. 17/6/15.									
Embarked for B. & F. 29/3/16. Ad. 6 th Genl. H. Rouse, 24/4/16									
Discharged to duty 29/12/16. Rouse, 26/14/16									
Reported Missing 1/7/16. Beaumont Harsh. Auth. 5c Unit.									
Killed in Action 1/7/16. Burial reported by 5c 3rd Army									
Mobile E.R. Unit 17/6/17									
Total Service forfeited as above									

C.R. 1534

A.H. Porter was attested for General service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on .May.11th.1915...
Regimental No 1534 was allotted to Pte. A.H. Porter

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th, 1919.

C.R. 1534

Extract from Honinai Bell embarked St. John's for Overseas, per
S.S. "Galvarian" June, 19. 1915. "F"

1534 Pts. Porter A.H.

C.R. 1534

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

1534 Pte. A.H. Porter.

28-3-16.

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish St. George's, St. John, J. I. B. County J. I. B.

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	on	1915	on	191
Examined	at <u>14th day of May</u> <u>St. John</u>		at	
Declared Age	<u>19</u> years	days	years	days
Trade or Occupation	<u>Fisherman</u>			
Height	<u>5</u> feet	<u>5</u> inches	feet	inches
Weight		<u>127</u> lbs.		lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <u>36½</u> inches			inches
	Range of expansion... <u>3½</u> inches			inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
When Vaccinated	<u>None</u>			
Vision	R. E.—V= <u>4/6</u>		R. E.—V=	
	L. E.—V= <u>4/6</u>		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)	<u>Fred W. Burden</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Lieut</u>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St. John</u>		at	
	on <u>11th day of May</u>	1915	on	day of 191
	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Joined on Enlistment	<u>1st J. I. B.</u>	<u>1534</u>		
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
	on	day of 191	on	day of 191
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

Date	Remarks and Signature
May 20. 25-3-16.	First inoculation 500 Million Vaccinated. Infirmary. <i>APR 20 1916</i>
20.3.16.	Fit for active service. <i>Infm</i>

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
<i>St Johns No 105</i>					

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ALLOTMENTS

I, William Porter, Regl. No. 1424
 hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official form to make an Allotment of
 Dollars and Sixty Cents, per diem, from my Pay,
 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 Certificate	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative or Friend	NAME (in full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
1	Wife	William Porter	Charley Island	60
0		Porter	St. John's	
4			Bay	
3			Fogo Island	
	Company			
		June 12		
Total Allotment, \$				60

NOTE.—This form must be completed by the Officer Commanding Company, signed by the Volunteer, countersigned 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's
June 13 1913

(Sig.) _____
 (Rank) plc

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 Archibald H. Porter

Witness Samuel Lewis

Dated at Newton Park School

March 2nd. 1916.

MAY 31 1916

Dear Madam,

I beg to inform you that additional information has to-day been received from the Record Office of the First Newfoundland Regiment, London, to the effect that

No. 1534, Private A. H. Porter, who was previously reported at Rouen, April 5th, with inflammation connective tissue left arm, discharged to duty April 26th.

This information has been received by mail

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Lucy A. Porter.
George Islands.

C.R. 1534

1634 BORDER A. ✓

EXTRACT OF CASUALTY RECEIVED FROM THE P & R O. 7.11.16.

"REPORTED MISSING JULY 1,,1916."

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COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated
July 31, 1916.

Mrs. Lucy A. Porter,
Change Islands.

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,
London, officially reports No. 1534, Private
Archibald H. Porter, as missing.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

St. John's Howland Ave

Post to Jan.

May 16/21

Leut-Gen. Wendell

C.F. 1534

St John's

Dear Sir,

By the
acknowledge receipt of the
photographs of the the grave of
my son no 1534. The A. L. Porter

Please accept my thanks for
your consideration

Yours Truly
Mrs L. A. Porter

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. 1534 ... Name ... Porter A. ... (See 1534 C)

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

Date... Lucy A. Porter

Date, 1920

Place, Channahon Illinois

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

H

July 7, 1917.

Dear Madam,

I beg to inform you that No. 1634,
Private Archibald H. Porter, who was previously
presumed dead, is now reported killed in action
July 1st, 1916, and that information has been
received from the Officer Commanding the Third
Army Mobile Grave Registration Units that his
remains were buried in June last.

Yours faithfully.

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Lucy A. Porter,
Change Islands,
Fogo.

St. John's, Nfld., 1916.

Dear Madam,

For some time past the Imperial Government have been making enquiries in relation to those men of the First Newfoundland Regiment who have been reported missing since the action of the 1st July. I very much regret to state, however, that from the correspondence which has taken place, a copy of which I enclose, it is evident that none of them are Prisoners of War in Germany, and the authorities are, therefore, reluctantly forced to the conclusion that all these gallant men, whose names are given in the enclosed list, and one of whom was very dear to you, were killed in that fateful action on the 1st of July.

I desire to express to you on behalf of the Government, as well as for myself, the sincerest sympathy in this time of sorrow. We feel the loss of our loved ones, but it will, no doubt, be some consolation to you to think that he, for whom you now mourn, willingly answered the call of King and Country, did his part nobly, and fell, facing the foe, in defence of the principles of Righteousness, Truth and Liberty. Though he has laid down the earthly weapons of warfare, he now wears the Soldier's Crown of Victory, and his name will be inscribed upon the Glorious Roll of Honor, and be held in fragrant memory by all his fellow-countrymen. When the victory is won, and Peace again reigns upon the earth, it will be a comforting thought to you that in this glorious achievement he bore no small part.

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

With sincere sympathy,

Believe me to be,

Your obedient servant,

Mrs. Lucy A. Porter,
Change Islands.

Colonial Secretary.

Change Islands, November 3rd. 1916. 191
Newfoundland

Hon. J. R. Bennett,
Col Secretary.

Dear Sir:-

Mrs. Aaron Porter of this place wished me to write you in reference to her son, Private Arch. H. Porter, No 1534, of the 1st Nfld Regiment, who has been reported missing since July 1st. Mrs. Porter is naturally distressed over her missing boy, and would be willing to pay for any cable messages of inquiry regarding him. Will you please let me know if you know of any means of finding out whether he is a prisoner in Germany or not. We noted by recent local papers that two or three of the missing lads had recently been located in Germany, and I suppose it is quite possible that there are others still unreported.

Thanking you in anticipation for this inquiry,

I remain,

Yours respectfully,

Roberts

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with a copy to the Army Bureau of Records, and to the Army Medical Director, as soon as possible after receipt of notification of death on Army Form 5, 212 or Army Bureau of Records Form 100, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT. Squadron, } C Company
 or } Troop, Battery }
 CORPS } or Company }

Regtl. No. 1534 Rank Private

Name PORTER, A.H.



Died Date July 1st., 1916.
 Place France.
 Cause of Death* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Burial Report, 17/8/17.

By whom made O.C., 3rd. Army Mobile G.R. 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.

Burial Place _____
 Date _____
 By whom reported _____

DUPLICATE

SENT TO
 O.C. H.Q.
 ST. JOHNS, N.F.L.D.
 No. _____
 3 AUG 1917

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 } *J. J. Hill* Lieut. for Lt. Col.,
 of Section Adjutant-General's }
 Office at the Base } OFFICER I/c Records Reg. Inf. Sec. 1,
 3rd. Echelon, G.R.Q., B.E.F.

Station and Date 5/7/17.

PAY LIST:

to 1st July 1916 Voucher No. _____

NON-RECEIPTIVE ACCOUNT

Regiment or corps 1st New Brunswick
 No. 1534 Rank Pte Name A. Porter
 Died (a) Intestate at France on the 1st of July 1916
 Deserted at _____ on the _____ of _____ 1916

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 <u>JUL 1 1916</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>6</u>
	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			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2			
	"				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
	Consolidated stoppage				Deferred Pay or Gratuity			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<u>5</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>6</u>	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		<u>£</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>14</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>14</u>

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 5 14 6 is correctly chargeable against the Public (b).

Dated at _____ this 1st day of February 1916 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 Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.
 (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

R.A.M.C.

St. John's

Oct. 6/19.

Paymaster & Officer i/o Records,
City.

Re:- #1534 Pte. A.H. Porter.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find cheque for \$583.80
being refund of amount paid in continuation
of the above noted deceased soldier's allot-
ment.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this amount.

Yours faithfully,


Asst. Secy.


GEC

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

.....1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 1534..... Rank *Private*
Name *Amieal H. Porter*
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Mrs Lucy A. Porter..... (Sgd.)

Mother Relationship.

Address *340 Lakeshore Ave.,*
St. Catharines Ontario

B.R. 1534
Change Islands
Feb. 21st / 20

To Dep^t of Militia
Gentlemen

This is to certify
that the undersigned
has received

The Memorial Scroll
and also the
message from
the King

Sincerely
Lucy Anne Porter
Change Islands

