

Apparent age 30 years \_\_\_\_\_ months \_\_\_\_\_ Height 5 feet \_\_\_\_\_

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

Distinctive marks **Hair: Brown, Eyes: Grey.**

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin William Duff Reid, Circular Rd., St. John's  
 | 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) 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>8/9/14</u>									
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>8th Sept/14</u>									
Promoted to <u>L. Corp.</u> <u>10/2/15</u>									
<u>Commission</u> <u>2/8/15</u>									
<u>16/8/15</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above									

Total Service towards engagement to \_\_\_\_\_ (date of discharge) \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ days

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C.R. ~~██████~~

Robert B. Reid was attested for General service  
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on .....Sept. 8th/14  
Regimental No 593. was allotted to Pte. Robert B. Reid.

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

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Account from Michael Hill marked St. John's or B.

"Michael" St. John's p.p. Oct. 4, 1774.

593 Reid Robt.B.

C.R. ~~218~~ 0.218

Extract from Nominal Roll of 1st Bn. Royal Nfld. Regt.  
Embarked Devonport for Active Service 20-8-15

2/Lt. R.B. Reid.

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







Telegrams: "Willis Garage, Devizes."  
National Telephone: No. 8, Devizes.

The Central Garage  
Market Place, Devizes

Memorandum

11th January 1942



FROM

WILLIS & SON

Coachbuilders and Motor Car Engineers.

ESTABLISHED 1885.

"The Chief Paymaster",  
1st. Newfoundland Regiment,  
Pay & Record Office,  
55 Victoria Street,  
LONDON. S.W.

Dear Sir,

We shall esteem it a favour if you will help us to collect the enclosed account.

This is of very long standing, and we are anxious to receive payment as soon as possible.

Thanking you in anticipation.

We are Sir,

Faithfully yours,

Willis & Son.

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Telegrams : "Willis Garage, Devizes."  
National Telephone : No. 8, Devizes.

The Central Office  
Market Place, Devizes.

*August 16th 1916*



- TO -

WILLIS &



SON

COACHBUILDERS AND MOTOR CAR ENGINEERS.

ESTABLISHED 1835.

*1916* Mr. R. B. Reid, 1<sup>st</sup> Newfoundland Regt.

*Jan'y 1* To balance account rendered £ 2 9 6

17th August, 6.

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Messrs. Willis & Son,

The Central Garage,

Devizes.

H.T./N.W.

LATE 2/LIEUT. R.B. REID.

Reference your letter 16/8/16: it is regretted that  
this Officer has been killed in action.

Should you desire your bill to be a claim on his  
estate, it may be sent in form of certified claim, provided  
it is distinctly understood that this suggestion is  
without prejudice and in now way to be regarded as an  
acceptance of liability.

Capt.,

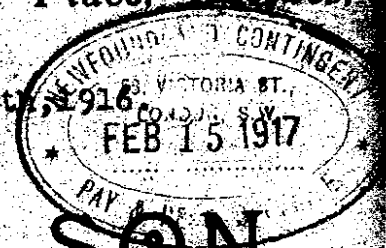
Paymaster & O. 1/c Records.

Telegrams: "Willis, Garage, Devizes."  
National Telephone: No. 8, Devizes.

The Central Garage,  
Market Place, Devizes.

Memorandum

AUG: 1917



FROM WILLIS & SON,

Coachbuilders and Motor Car Engineers.

ESTABLISHED 1886.

The Paymaster & O.I/c Records

Newfoundland Contingents.

Dear Sir,

It was with extreme regret that we received your intimation of the death of the late 2nd Lieut R.B.Reid. It was our privilege to be in constant touch with this gentleman when the 1st Newfoundland Regt: first arrived in England, and we have ever since had most pleasant recollections of the acquaintance. We enclose herewith a certified statement of our account against the estate of Mr Reid, all but the last item of 7/- is for work done, and goods supplied to a car which we understood belonged to Mr Reid's Mother,

We are Sir,

Faithfully Yours,

*Willis & Son.*

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C.R. 0218

Copy of cablegram to Governor St. John's Nfld.  
from P.&R.O. 6/7/16.

2nd Lieut Bruce Reid. ✓

MISSING. 1ST JULY.

7 July, 1916.

Sir William Reid

Montreal.

It is with the deepest regret that I have to announce that Lieutenant Bruce Reid is reported missing after the heroic action which the Newfoundland Regiment fought at Beaumont on July first. Four Officers were reported missing but one is since reported wounded and in a British Hospital in France. I am satisfied that Bruce at the front of the advance fell on ground which remained in enemy hands. ~~I am confident~~ I believe that he is wounded in enemy hands and will be well tended.

(2)

The casualties all resulted from machine gun fire at close range and not from shells so there is little doubt that ninety five per cent of the wounded will make a speedy and complete recovery

Walter Davidson.

All important Telegrams should be repeated.—  
Quarter-rates extra charged for Repetition.

3632 LONDON WALL / TELEPHONE NUMBER.

LONDON

STATION.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:

To receive telegrams the recipient must be registered with the Local Telegraph Office.

SIGNALLY. AVE. LONDON



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Date.	Words.
Code Time.	
Charge.	
s.	d.

Sent at \_\_\_\_\_  
No. and Circuit \_\_\_\_\_  
By \_\_\_\_\_



Official Instructions.

24/7/16.

To Receiver's Name E.F.M. LIEUT. H.V. REID, R.N.A.S.

Address c/o SENIOR NAVAL OFFICER, MALTA.

DEAR BRUCE KILLED IN ACTION JULY 1 YOUR MOTHER AND ALL  
AT HOME TAKING SAD LOSS BRAVELY AND SEND LOVE MY  
DREEPEST SYMPATHY.

ISABEL MORRIS.

1.—Either the Postmaster-General or this or any other Telegraph Company or Foreign Government, by whom this Telegram is or would in the ordinary course of the Telegraphic Service be forwarded, may decline to forward the Telegram although it has been received for that purpose; but in such case the amount paid for transmission shall be refunded to the Sender.  
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3.—This Telegram shall be forwarded in all respects in accordance with the provisions of the Regulations made pursuant to the Telegraph Act, 1868 to 1904, and the provisions of the Act shall be deemed to be binding not only between the Sender and the Postmaster-General, but between the Sender and this and any other Telegraph Company or Foreign Government, by whom this Telegram is or would in the ordinary course of the Telegraphic Service be forwarded.

I request that the above Telegram may be forwarded subject to the above conditions, by which I agree to be bound.

Signature and Address of Sender  
(Not to be telegraphed.)

Isabel Morris

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPH

CABLE CONNECTION WITH ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

Line No. 22 Sent by \_\_\_\_\_ Rec'd by \_\_\_\_\_ Check 16 No. 15

Place from \_\_\_\_\_  
To Montreal 9  
Sir Walter Davidson  
Government House

JUL. 10 1916

*Dr. Johnson*  
Many thanks for  
your kind message  
it has given me  
greater hope in this  
anxious time.

*Minnie Reid*

C.R. 0-218

Extract of Casualty List received from P.&R.O.  
July 19th. 1916.

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2/Lieut R.B. Reid. ✓

1st Newfoundland Regt. Killed 1st July 1916.

No X 20780

Telegram from D.A.G. Base Rouen dated 17, July 1916 (No.S 4988)

Extract of Casualty received from Pay & Record Office  
London, dated August 18, 1916.

1st Newfoundland Regiment,

Mellor, Lt. Fred L.,  
Signalling Officer.

Informant states that on the First July (Saturday) at Oese n Villas the Regiment went over the trenches at 9 a.m., to attack 3rd Line system of German trenches. The Germans instantly opened a violent machine gun fire and our men began to fall. Informant states that practically the whole Regiment was mown down and that Lieut. Mellor, Reid and Tylor were most possibly killed. The informant was wounded in the left leg and was left at 9:20 on Saturday until 11:30 a.m., on Sunday. Only those who were wounded and killed quite close to our own firing line were brought in. (Above information also applies to Lieut. Tylor and Reid.)

Reference: 2nd Lieut. William V. Lense Warren,  
1st Newfoundland Regiment,  
3rd London General Hospital,  
Wandsworth.

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1st Newfoundland Regiment.

Reid, R.B. 2nd Lieut.  
D. Company.

Informant states that on 1st July 1916 at Beaumont Hamel  
Lieut. R.B. Reid was killed about 8.30 a.m. Informant was an  
eye-witness.

Reference: J. Mackay, 278,  
1st Newfoundlands, B. Company,  
Infirmary,  
Walmsley Road,  
Bury,  
Lancs.

11th Sept. 1916.  
E.A. Coulborn.

LONDON  
AUG - 1916  
MILITARY RECORDS OFFICE

INFANTRY

C.R. 590/2423/a

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Report of Death of an OFFICER 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.

Unit) 1st. Newfoundland Regiment.

Rank) Second Lieutenant.

Name) Reid, R.B.

By whom reported O.C., Unit.

Date of Death July 1st., 1916.

Place or hospital In the Field, France.

DIED Cause of death Killed in Action.

Place of burial Not yet received.

State whether he leaves a will or not { Unknown.

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, 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 officer of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

*As Clerk: Capt.*

for Lieut. Colonel,  
Officer i/c Infy Sections,  
Adjutant General's Office at the Base.

General Headquarters, 3rd. Echelon.

Date) 26/7/16.

Nov. 21st 1918

Lady W.D. Reid

Circular Road

Dear Madam:-

I am forwarding to you herewith the temporary Imperial Commission issued to your son, the late 2/Lieut. R.B. Reid, which has been received from the Record Office, London.

Attached hereto is receipt; will you kindly sign same and return at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.

The number below should  
be quoted on any further  
communication on this subject

COM/61/30684

The Director of Graves Registration and Enquiries,

WAR OFFICE,

Winchester House,

St. James's Square,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

5th August 1919.

Sir,

An urgent enquiry has been received concerning  
the location of the grave of Lieut. Robert Bruce Reid,  
Newfoundland Forces.

Can you inform me when and where this Officer  
was killed, and any other information which may assist  
our Director in France in locating his grave?

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

*J Hamilton*

Lieut. Colonel, A.A.G.  
for Major-General,

4994 Director-General, G.R. & E.

Officer in Charge,  
Newfoundland Records,  
58, Victoria Street,  
S.W. 1.

*[Handwritten signature]*

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7th August, 9.

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D. G. G. R. & E.,

10242/68/R.&C.

War Office, Winchester House,

St. James's Square, S.W. 1.

LIEUT. R. B. REID, Deceased  
1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

✓ In reply to your O.C.M./61/30684 of 5/8/19  
(4974): it is regretted that there is no information  
in this office concerning the above-named Officer's  
burial. He was killed at Beaumont Hamel in the  
Battle of the Somme 1/7/16.

Capt.,  
Asst. Military Secretary  
for Chief Staff Officer (London).

HA/NV

October 4th,

Sir W.D. Reid,  
Circular Road,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

It is my regrettable duty to forward you  
herewith the following parcels of effects of your late  
son, 2nd. Lieut. R. Bruce Reid:- 1 Kit bag.  
Please sign the enclosed receipt.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in  
your bereavement and in the renewed sorrow which the  
arrival of these packages will entail.

Believe me,

Sincerely yours,

2nd. Lieut. & D/Paymaster

CP 0-218

RECEIPT.

I hereby certify that I have received the 1914-1915

STAR.

No 953 Name 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut R. B. Reid

Witness. M. Reid

Date Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 1919

Place St Johns Mfld

m R.

Circular Road  
St Johns  
March 8<sup>th</sup> 1920

Lieut Colonel Rendell C.R. 0-218

Dear Sir

I have received the  
Memorial scroll and also  
the message from His Majesty  
The King

Yours faithfully  
M. Reid

JOHNS. Nfld.  
SEP 12 1893

Fold Here

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

*Royal Nfld. Regt.*

*Dept. of Militia,*

*ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.*

Fold Here

0-218  
SEP 9 1921

The accompanying **Victory Medal** and/or **British War Medal**

is/are forwarded herewith to

Sir Wm. Reid (Father)

in respect of his service as No. \_\_\_\_\_ Rank 2/Lieut.

Name Robert B. Reid

Royal Nfld. Regt.

~~Nfld. Infantry Co.~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Victory & British War Medals

Signature Mr. Reid (Mother)

Date Sep 17<sup>th</sup> 1921

Address Circular Road

[P.T.O.]

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

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I beg to acknowledge receipt of

Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of

the late No. .... Rank *Lieut*

Name *R. Dune Reid*

Royal Newfoundland Regt.

*M. Reid* ..... (Sgd.)

*Parent* ..... Relationship.

Address *Bartra, Circular Rd  
St John's*