

First Newfoundland Regiment

ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1202

Name in full Richard M. Skott Age 19

Address St. John's, Nfld.

Married Single Height 5 ft 7 in Weight 138

Color Light Hair Brown Eyes Grey

Other distinguishing marks none

Nearest relative (mother) Anne

Address St. John's, Nfld.

Dependents none

Occupation School Teacher Present Wage \$13.50 per year

Previous service _____

Decorations _____

General Remarks _____

Date of Enlistment March 3/15

I, Richard M. Skott, 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.

Declared before me this 16 day of March 1915
[Signature]

C.R. 1202

Richard M. Short was attested for General service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on ..March 8th. 1915.
Regimental No 1202 was allotted to Pte. R.M. Short

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

C.R. 1202

Extract from Nominal Roll. Embarked St. John's, for Overseas,
per S.S. "Stephano" April, 22, 1918.

1202 Pte. Short R.M.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Short

OF
Christian Name Richard M

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish..... County.....

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	on	at	on	at
Examined	6 day of March 1915	St John's	day of	191
Declared Age.....	19 years	days	years	days
Trade or Occupation.....				
Height	5 feet	7 inches	feet	inches
Weight		138 lbs.		lbs.
Chest Measurement {	Girth when fully expanded...		inches	
	Range of expansion...		inches	
Physical Development.....				
Vaccination Marks {	Right	Left	Right	Left
	Arm	Number		
When Vaccinated	Never			
Vision	R.E.—V	20/20	R.E.—V	
	L.E.—V	20/20	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>L. Paterson</i>			
(Rank)	Capt			
	Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at	St John's	at	
	on	8 day of March 1915	on	day of 191
	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Joined on Enlistment	1st Wfls	1202		
Transferred to.....				
Became non-effective by				
	on	day of 191	on	day of 191
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

New Bonaventure
June 7th 1915.

J. Sonerton Esq.
Dear Sir:-

I see by the "Daily news" information
is asked re my son R. M. Short.
I don't know whom to write. Will you
kindly inform me & oblige

Yrs. Very Truly
William M. Short.

P.S. Perhaps you could send the information
reqd. I have not heard anything re the
money I was to receive. Can you also give
me any information re this.

Thanking you in anticipation

Respect. Yours. W. M. S.

W. M. Short

A. M.

80¢ per day to mother Annie Short
pt cheque sent June 11

26th June

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F. SOMERTON ESQ. J.P.

TRINITY. NPLD.

SIR,-

Your favour of the 8th inst, addressed to The Hon. J.R. Robinson, Editor Daily News, also a letter addressed to you, from William M. Short, New Bonaventure, regarding No. I202 Private R.M. Short has come to this Department.

In reply I wish to say that Private Short has made an allotment of 80¢ per day in favour of his mother, Annie Short. First cheque was sent Mrs Short by Post on June the 8th.

Trusting the matter is now in order.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

B.M.W.

Capt. & Adjutant.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT

Regiment or corps *1st Newfoundland*
 No. *1202* Rank *Sgt* Name *P. M. Short*
 Died (a) *Intestate* at *France* on the *14* of *July* 191*6*
 Deserted at _____ on the _____ of _____ 191*6*

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>JUL 1 1916</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2 1/2</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			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2			
	Consolidated stoppage				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
					Deferred Pay or Gratuity			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<i>24</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2 1/2</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	<i>24</i>	<i>3</i>		£	<i>24</i>	<i>3</i>
				<i>2 1/2</i>				<i>2 1/2</i>

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ *24 3 2 1/2* is correctly chargeable against the Public (b).

Dated at _____ this *21* day of *February* 191*7* _____ 191*7* 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 omitted when there is no debtor balance.

C.R. 1202

Extract of examination received from ...
London, dated July 31, 1916.
Extract from ...
dated 11/7/16.

#1202 Pte. R. Short.

... 1/7/16.

C.R. 1707

NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

Extract of Casualty List received from P.&O. R.O Oct. 4th. 1916.

1202, Pte R. M. Short. ✓

Previously reported Wounded now reported, Wounded and Missing

C.R. 1202

1202 SHORT R. M. ✓

Extract of casualty list received from the P E R O
dated 7.11.16.

"REPORTED MISSING JULY 1, 1916."

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regiment or Corps New Brunswick Regt
 Rank Pte. Name Richard Short

Regimental No. 1702 Enlisted (a) 16/3/15 Terms of Service (a) War Service reckons from (a) _____

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

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				
		Embarked St. John's, N.F.Ld.		30.4.15	
		Disembarked Gallipoli		1.12.15	
		Emb'kd Port Suez		14.3.16	
		Disemb'kd MARSEILLE S		22.3.16	
	35 C.S.	Auxiliary G.S.W.R. Ship	France	1.7.16	E.O. 11963
24/8/16.	O.C. Unit.	Wounded and Missing	France.	1/7/16.	Letter from O.C. Unit a/24/8/16.

COPY SENT TO
 O.C. H.Q.
 ST. JOHNS, N.F.L.D.
 279
 NO. 60/173
 JUL 1917

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(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 shall be given.
 (b) For Special Reserve, Regular Reserve, etc., also special qualifications or other honours.

New Bonaventure
Spring Bay, W. I.

August 28th / 1916.

The Manager, W. I. Pay Record Office

Dear Sir:-

By the casualty list here Aug. 14,

we see that # 1202 Pte. R. M. Short
was wounded. No further particulars.

Will you inquire his whereabouts
& condition as we have had no news
of him since.

I should be much obliged
if you would wire. ✓

Very respectfully,
Miss Aletta Miller.

The young man's friends are
very anxious about his safety.

14/9/16.

A. M.

Missing since July,
presumed dead

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	1823
DATE	APR 18 1917
AMOUNT	20/4/17
POST NO.	3615/11

Burleigh Villa
Caerlawersock Rd.
Prestwick,
Ayrshire
Scotland

16th April 1917.

Sir,

I shall be very much obliged if
you could give me any information
regarding

Pte. R. W. Short.

No. 1202 1st Newfoundland Regt.
who was reported missing and
later as a Prisoner of War.

Thanking you in Anticipation

Yours Faithfully

Miss Davie.

New Bonaventure

Dec 4th 1916

Hon J. R. Bennett

Colonial Secy

Dear Sir

In receipt of
your communication of November 23rd intimating
that my son Richard W. Short 1202, was
among the number who is now believed
to be killed in action on the first of July.
As for myself, until some more sure foundation
is given to me than has been given me at present
I am not convinced that my son was killed
on that day. I am not going to mourn for him
as yet & until some fragments of his clothing or
some of his apparel is picked up on the battlefield
where he fought, or some other tokens given me
that has been given me as yet. I will believe
that he is a prisoner of war Germany. Although
our hearts has been filled with sorrow since
the news of that memorable day. Yet my own
personal conviction seems to be one that
my son is yet numbered with the living

Trusting that my convictions will
yet prove true. But until some more
sure foundation is given me concerning his
death. Then I not till then will we
solemnly mourn the loss of one we loved
so well.

I beg to remain

Yours

Ans Annie Short

Rem Bonaventura

P. B.

Mr J. R. Bennett

Cal sey,

St. Johns

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Newfoundland Contingent,
Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria St., S.W. 1.

20th April, 7.

xx Madam,

16th inst.,
no further report has been received at this
office concerning No. 1202, Pte. R.M. Short,
subsequent to that which stated that he
was posted as Missing as from 1/7/16, and it
is feared that in view of the lapse of time
he must now be presumed dead.

xx Madam,

Miss Davie,
Burleigh Villa,
Prestwick.

Major,
Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

December 20th. 1917.

Mr. William Short,

New Bonaventure, T.B.

Dear Sir,-

I enclose herewith cheque for \$132.58, being the amount due you as Administrator of the Estate of the late Private R.M. Short. I also enclose letter of Administration.

Yours faithfully,

Capt. & Paymaster.

JH/.
Encl .2.

W. H. H. H.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$/32.50

Dec. 12th 1917

Received from the *First Newfoundland Regiment*
the sum of *One hundred thirty two* Dollars.
~~on account~~ of *Pay Estate*
balance

Ch. No. <i>2035</i>	Initials <i>EW</i>
Pay Ledger	Initials
Gen. Ledger	Initials <i>EW</i>

Regtl. No. Rank

1202

Sept. 20, 1919

R. Short,
Hant's Hr.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of 17/9/19. (6490), your service in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment warrants you to receive one month's Gratuity, which have been paid, and is computed as follows:

Bal. on discharge	\$12.95
Cheque, March 1st.	<u>57.05</u>
	<u>\$70.00</u>

Yours truly,

Lieut.
For Paymaster

1202

539373

To ensure that as far as may be possible none of the next of kin of those who have fallen in the War shall fail to receive the Memorial Plaque, it is requested that on receipt of the enclosed Plaque this card be signed at the bottom and posted. No stamp is required.

Mrs Annie Shost

(2249) Wt 21551/AP6599 10/19 900M (20) D St.

C.R. 120

#19

New Bouaventure

July 11. 1920

Lieut. Colonel

W. F. Rendell

Dear Sir

I have received the
Memorial Scroll as a memento of the death of my
son Richard M. Short, Private; also the Message from
His Majesty the King, both of which I now gratefully
acknowledge.

Yours truly

William ^{his} Short
_{mark}

Herallyu Goddess

RECEIPT

C.R. 1202

I hereby certify that I have received the 1914-1915

STAR.

Mrs Annie Short

No 1202 ~~1202~~ Short

Witness

Samuel King

Date

Dec. 9th

Place

New Bonaventure

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

W. P. Griffin & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4.
 (893) W1881/804 400m 8/18x-1 88 86 86
 Form B. 121.
 86.

Number of Sheet. 1
 Signature of O. C. Company [Signature]

Regiment of 1st Buffs
 Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

No.	1202	Regimental Number and Name	Name <u>Alcott RM</u> Trade <u>School Teacher</u>	
Age on	19	Enlistment	months	
Place and Date of Enlistment	<u>4/9/14</u>	Religion		
Period of	<u>8/3/15</u>	Place of Birth	<u>6 D E</u>	
	<u>1 1/2</u> years.		<u>Trinity</u>	
	<u>3 1/2</u> years.			

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or date of discontinuing with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS
		<u>RM</u>		<u>Assaulting</u>	<u>1/1/16</u>				

To be carried over

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New Bonaventure
May 26-19

Hon J.R. Beuall
Minister Malacca

Dear Sir I beg to ask you why
the allotments of my late son Pte
Richard J. Short No 1202 has been
stop my son joined the Regiment
In Feb 1915 & also signed on for
the duration of the war I have not
Received any allotments since ~~that~~ pass
while my next door neighbours around
are receiving the same. I am only
a poor woman & my son have
paid the supreme sacrifice I
cannot why I am not entitled to the
same I think it rather strange to
have mine taken away while others
around are receiving the same
but will you kindly give this your
due consideration waiting your
earliest reply I am yours
Respectfully
Mrs Annie Short
Bonaventure

Received
May 1919
A.P.