

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 Re-serv 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					13/9/14				
Joined at					St. John's on 13th September '14				
		Promoted to	Sergt.	21/9/14					
		do.	Vol. Sgt.	3/10/14					
		Granted Commission	2nd Lieut.	26/1/15					
		Lieut		15/10/15					
		<i>Embarked S.S. Rangoon for 4th 5th Embarked by 6th 20th Disembarked Rep and returned for Cadets 31st Embarked for 7th 13th Landed on 13th 19-20 Embarked for 15th 15th Proceeded to 14th Embarked Port 14th Disembarked by 22nd Honoured 7th Died of 110000 8th</i>							
Total Service forfeited as above				
Total Service towards Engagement to					8-7-16 (date of discharge)	1	years	299	days
" " Pension					"	"	"	"	"

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Extract from Nominal of Warrant Officers & N.O.O'S
^{1st.}
of the Royal Field. Regiment. (undated) .

 326 O.W. Steele. (B)

Promoted to Col. Sergeant Oct. 3rd, 1914.
" " Comm. Rank. Apr. 22nd, 1915.

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MEMORANDUMS.

Extract of Regimental Orders.

By Lieut.Col. Sir W.E. Davidson, K.C.M.G. Officer Comdg..

Dated April 27, 1915.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make
the following appointment.

COLOUR SERGT. OWEN W. STEELE.

To be 2nd, Lieutenant.

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A P P O I N T M E N T.

Extract of Regimental Order dated February 6, 1916.
By Lieut. Col. Sir. W.E. Davidson, K.C.M.G., Officer Comd.

Second Lieutenant O. W. Steele,
to be Lieutenant.

Extract from Nominal Roll 1st Bn. Mfld. Regt. embarked
Doverport for Active Service 20-8-15

2/Lt. O. Steels.

Disembarked Alexandria 31-8-15 proceeded to Abkhazi,
Gairo same date Embarked Alexandria for Gallipoli
13-9-15.

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Extaret from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's per S.S.
"Florizel" Oct. 4, 1914.

526 Steele Owen W.

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Owen W. Steele was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on .Sept.13th,1914.
Regimental No.323 was allotted to Pte Owen W. Steele.

AUTHORITY:

Record DSEger

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

Dept. of Militia,
St. John's.

6-8 May 20th 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. _____ Rank *Lieut.*
Name *W. Steele*
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Wm. Steele (Sgd.)

Father Relationship.

Address *Water St. St. John's*

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100 Water Street,
St. John's Hill.,
Feb. 13, 1920.

Dear Sir:-

On behalf of my father, I beg to acknowledge receipt, as requested, of the Memorial Scroll, also message from His Majesty the King, for which I beg to thank you.

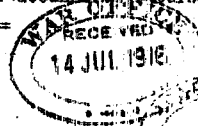
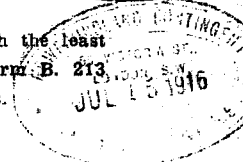
Yours truly,

Shirley

Lieut. J. Rendell, C.S.O.,
Munitions Dept.,
C I T Y.

FIELD SERVICE.

COR No 590/2167/aa



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 documents or sources.

Unit) *Read* 1st. Newfoundland Regiment.

Rank) Lieutenant.

Name) STELLI, J. W.

By whom reported O.C., 87th. F.A.

Date of Death July 8th., 1916.

Place of hospital 87th. Field Ambulance. *France*

DIED Cause of death Died of Wounds received in Action.

Place of burial Unknown.

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 be 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.

A. Clerk Capt

Lt. Colonel
Officer in Charge Infantry Sections,
Adjutant General's Office at the Base.

General Headquarters, 3rd. Division.

Date) July 10th., 1916.

Established 1848.

Cables: "Stoneware, St. John's."
Post Office Box, 1229.

S. O. Steele

GENERAL IMPORTER
AND
MANUFACTURERS' AGENT

Telephone 192.

98-100 WATER STREET

ST. JOHN'S, N.F.L.D. April 4th 1916

Mfld. Regt^l. Pay and Record Office.

28 Victoria Street,
London.

Dear Sirs:-

I forwarded on Nov. 23rd. one box, weighing under three pounds,
addressed as follows:-

Lieut. Owen W. Steele,
1st. Mfld. Regiment,
C/o Mfld. Pay and Record Office,
58, Victoria Street,
London, England.

British Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

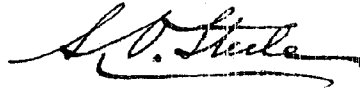
The box contained a new pair of valuable Field Glasses.

My sons have received all Parcels that I have sent them,
both before and since this date, with the exception of this Parcel.

Will you kindly have this traced, for not alone is the value
there, but the Glasses have certain associations attached to them,
that cannot be replaced.

Yours truly,

SOS/SRS.



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2, May, 6.

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Major C. A. Wheeler,

O.C. Home Depot,

Army Postal Service.

Parcel Binoculars.

With reference to my No.1512/2, I have since received information that the parcel in question has reached its destination, so no further action need be taken in the matter.

Capt.

Paymaster & C. i/c Records.

23rd August, 6.

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S.O. Steele, Esq.,
Bowers Hall,
Barkisland,
Halifax, Yorks.

Dear Sir,

In the absence of Captain Timewell, who has gone away for a brief holiday, I have opened your letter to him and in reply would say that the effects of your son, the late Lieutenant Owen Steele, which are in the possession of this office will be forwarded to you at the address which you give within the next two days.

This office regrets that it has no further particulars to impart in connection with the generally regretted death of Lieut. Steele.

The writer desires to express his extreme sympathy and is glad to feel that he always counted Lieut. Steele amongst his personal friends. He was an officer whom the Regiment could ill afford to lose.

Yours very truly,

Lieut.,

for Paymaster & O. i/o Records.

G.H.N.W.

15th November, 1916.

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S.O. Steele, Esq.,
Water Street,
St. John's, Newfoundland.

Sir,

2/Lieut. Owen Steele, Dead.

With reference to your letter of 13/10/16, I have to state that the statement of account of the late 2/Lt. Steele will be forwarded through the customary channels to Newfoundland, together with those of other officers and men who fell about the same period, and you will doubtless be duly communicated with by the Department concerned.

I may add that it is essential to allow some time to elapse before these accounts are rendered: this in order to ensure as far as may be practicable the inclusion of all details, for it frequently happens that such do not reach this office for months after the date of Casualty.

This aspect was referred to in my letter to the Colonial Secretary No. 3930/24, 21/9/16.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Capt.,

Paymaster & C. I/O Records.

15/11/16

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

Mr. J.O. Steele (Father)

in respect of his service as No. _____ Rank Lieut.

Name Major W. Steele Royal Nfld. Regt.
Nfld. Forestry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received the above two medals

Signature W. Steele per V. Steele

Date Sept 13/21

Address 1100 Water St.

[P.T.O.]

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S.O. Steel, Esq.,
Water Street, East
C I T Y

Dear Mr. Steele:-

I am forwarding herewith the temporary Imperial Commission issued to your son, the late Lieut. O.W. Steele, which has just been received from the Record Office, London.

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

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

Dear Mr. Steele, I have rec'd the typed MS of your diary
I shall first have it read over, for publication, by the Lt. Col. of the 50th
I shall be glad to help in any other way you require
I'd like to give permission to make a reference to Dept. letter
of Dec 18 at the end of your work. The P. D. is under the
hand of my friend of your decision to publish it in
C I T Y.

② The 12th Dec 1896. - as Lt. Col. of the 50th Dec. 18, 1916.

I am in the hands of the press & copy
of a letter dated Dec 18 for his S.O. Steele which only contains
a note about his work & design.

If you have any difficulty in obtaining a Reader for Census
work, I suggest Capt. Abraham who has read the original MS
Sir: - knows what persons might (possibly) need to see it.

from the 50th in
above letter

Am forwarding by bearer, my late son's Diary
typed out for Censorship, as intimated by your
Excellency. As it will make a volume of about
two hundred and fifty pages, it might be advisable
to publish it in book form, for sale. If this be
decided upon, I intended to include in it, a large
number of full page illustrations, selected from
snaps, personally taken by him during the Regiment's
movements abroad. These will, no doubt, add consider-
ably to the value of the book, in the eyes of all
Newfoundlanders. The photos also, I shall submit to
your Excellency for censorship before sending them to
the Engravers.

I am very pleased to accept your Excellency's
kind offer to write a foreword, and should be grate-
ful if you would advise me as to the revision and

editings

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editing, if your Excellency considers same to be required.

Should the book be published, I shall present the total proceeds of the edition (1000 Volumes) to the Newfoundland Patriotic Association.

Messrs. Micks & Co., Ltd. have kindly promised to sell the book, free of charge.

From the numbers of inquiries I have had, in connection with the Diary, from parties who have learnt that my late son had been keeping one, I am inclined to think that there will be a ready sale for the books.

At the present time, there is a book on the market, "Gallipoli Trenches," (a collection only of fragments and heresay reports,) written by a late member of the Regiment, who is now in the United States, which is readily selling at \$1.25.

Shall be pleased to call upon your Excellency, when it may be convenient to you.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your Excellency's obedient Servant,



His Excellency,
Sir W. E. Davidson, K.C.M.G., K.C.,
Esq., Etc., Etc.,
Governor.

The Chairman
Standing Committee.

I have the honour to forward herewith Diary of
the late Lieutenant Owen Steele, 1st Newfoundland Regiment.

Mr. S.O. Steele has just sent me this bound typed
copy.

Capt. Abraham has already discharged the duties
laid down by the Censor and the Diary is ready for
publication.

From my correspondence with Mr. S.O. Steele,
especially my reply of this day's date you will see that
we are in a dilemma as to the best use to which this
Diary can be put, and I therefore ask counsel from the
Standing Committee.

Governor.

29 March, 1917.

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13th November, 1916.

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to inform you
that I am now in receipt from the Pay and Record
Office, London, of particulars of gravesites.
Lieutenant O. W. Steele was buried on the 8th
July, by the Officer Commanding the 87th Field
Ambulance, in Mailly Mallet new Cemetery.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. S. O. Steele,
100 Water Street,
City.

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13th July, 1916.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request, I communicated on the 12th instant by cable with Captain Timewell, at the Record Office of the First Newfoundland Regiment, London, desiring him to obtain and forward immediately particulars regarding the injury and death of your son, Lieutenant Owen W. Steele, and requesting Captain Timewell to endeavour to procure the diary which had been kept by your son.

I am now in receipt of a reply from Captain Timewell, in which he states, as follows:-

"In answer to your telegram twelfth July.
"Unofficial - Lieutenant Steele - shell
"Worst close to billet - compound fracture
"of thigh - leg amputated - death after
"operation - every effort is being made
"to obtain effects."

Yours faithfully,

S. O. Steele, Esq.,
100 Water Street.

Colonial Secretary.

File no. 157

100 Water Street,

C I T Y,

July 15, 1915.

Sir:-

In answer to your Excellency's exceedingly kind letter of yesterday's date, regarding the removal of my son's remains from France, I hasten to reply that you have stated what was really our first thought on the matter. Knowing now, that such care and precision is taken with the graves of the fallen, we are perfectly resigned to leave his body where he fell, whilst in the performance of his duty, trusting that, after the war we shall be able to visit his last resting place and give it our personal attention.

We shall be pleased to leave the photograph for your Excellency's kind acceptance.

With most sincere thanks,

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Excellency's obedient servant,

Samuel O. Smith

His Excellency,
Sir W. E. Davidson, K.C.M.G.,
Etc., Etc., Etc.,
Governor.

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July 12, 1916.

Dear Sir,

In reference to the death of your son
Lieut. Owen W. Steele, notification of which it was
my painful duty to forward to you yesterday, I am
now in receipt of a further report from the Record
Office, London, which states that your son was
wounded on July 7th and that he died on the
following day, as already reported.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. S. O. Steele,
100 Water St.