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1st DEPOT BATTALION, N. B. REGIMENT

7 M. D. First Depot Battalion New Brunswick Regiment

Regtl. No. 3255695

PARTICULARS OF RECRUIT

Original.

DRAFTED UNDER MILITARY SERVICE ACT, 1917

(Class.....)

1. Surname: Barker
2. Christian name: Charles Benjamin
3. Present address: St. Mary North Devon York Co., N. B.
4. Military Service Act letter and number: 650654FC 3255695
5. Date of birth: June 14/1892
6. Place of birth (town, township or county and country): North Devon York Co., N. B.
7. Married, widower or single: Single
8. Religion: Baptist
9. Trade or calling: Machinist and Fireman
10. Name of next-of-kin: Sarah Barker
11. Relationship of next-of-kin: Grandmother
12. Address of next-of-kin: St. Mary's North Devon, York Co., N.B.
13. Whether at present a member of the Active Militia: No
14. Particulars of previous military or naval service, if any: Nil
15. Medical Examination under Military Service Act:—

(a) Place Fredericton, N.B (b) Date Oct. 24/17 (c) Category A2

DECLARATION OF RECRUIT

I, Charles Benjamin Barker, do solemnly declare that the above particulars refer to me, and are true.

Charles B Barker (Signature of Recruit)

DESCRIPTION ON CALLING UP

Apparent age: 24 yrs. 5 mths.

Height: 5 ft. 9½ ins.

Chest measurement: fully expanded 37 ins.; range of expansion 2 ins.

Complexion: Medium

Eyes: Grey

Hair: Dark Brown

Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congential peculiarities or previous disease.

D D McArthur Major Lt. Colonel

O. C. for O. C. 1st. Depot Battalion New Brunswick Regiment. Depot Btln.

Regt.

Place St. John, N.B. Date Jan. 18/18

M. F. W. 133.
500 M.—8-17.
1772—39—1158.

Declaration

Declaration.

The Court having duly taken evidence and considered declare:-

(1) That from purely natural causes #3255695 Cpl. Barker C.B. contracted a severe cold and asthmatic condition and the germs of measles .

(2) That he received every care and attention possible both in his own Unit the 1St. Depot Bn. N.B.Regt. and in the Military Hospitals.

(3) That the severe type of the measles, and the acute cold developping into Bronchil Pneumonia without doubt aggravated by his train journey ~~caus~~ to Fredericton caused his death 1-30 A.M. 13/3/18.

PRESIDENT

Geo. Keefe Major
1st Depot Bn N.B. Regt

MEMBERS

R J Smith Lieut.
1st. Depot Bn N.B. Regt

R M Keswick Lieut.
1st Depot Bn N.B. Regt

Recommended,

S L McAvity

Lieut. Colonel,

O.C. 1st. Depot Battn. N. B. Regiment.,

St. John, N.B.
April 10th. 1918

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CASE HISTORY SHEET.

No. 325565 Rank Corporal Name Barker, Charles Age 24.

Unit 1st Dept. Bn., Completed years of service Where and how long } Canada 40 days.

Date of admission 24/2/18 Date of discharge

Diagnosis Measles Place of origin St.John, N.B.

CONDITION ON ADMISSION AND PROGRESS OF CASE

Came into St.James Street Hospital complaining of pains in chest.
Examined, Tongue coated, Throat congested. Lungs no dullness, course
bronchial breathing both front and back.
Developed Measles 26/2/18.
Lungs some dullness in back and front, course bronchial and blowing
breathing.on ones ~~breath~~.chest. Breathing laboured, pulse weak irregular.

FAMILY HISTORY

(Tuberculosis, mental or nervous diseases.) gives a history of having had frequent colds and Asthaustic at attacks.

TREATMENT

(Especially any specific or special form.) tinulation. cough seditive, whisky, strych 1/40 tid.

CONDITION ON DISCHARGE, Allowed to go to his home against advice of M.O.i/c

(and disposal made of case.)

Date 12/3/18 F.O.Thomas.Capt.,
12/3/18 Medical Officer i/c case.

M. F. B. 313a.
50M.-11-17.
1772—39-439.

CLINICAL CHART.

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(To be pasted into Case Book opposite Patient's Case.)

Corps 1st Depot Batt Hospital Station St. John N.B.

No. 695 Rank and Name Cpl. Baker. Charles. Age 24. Service HO/3655

Disease Measles. Date of Admission 24/2/18. Date of Discharge 12/3/18. Result Case Book Folio

Dates of Observation	24	25	26	27	28	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16											
Days of Disease	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17															
Temperature Fahrenheit	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.	TIME a.m. p.m.
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Taken from Emma Hosp. this date

Pulse per Minute	100/96	88/100	84/90	108/122	108/108	122/96	100/100	76/104	76/74	68/80	68/80	68/64	120/184	120/114	124/128	?/142	140															
Respirations per Minute	24/20	24/24	28/24	28/24	36/32	26/24	24/24	24/24	22/24	24/24	22/24	40/44	36/42	36/36	36/36	40/46	46															
Motions	1/1	1/1	0/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	1/0	1/1	1/0	1/0	1/0	0/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	1															

M. F. B. 288.

50M—11-16.
H. Q. 1772-39-513.

Signature ..... *In charge of case.*

CASE HISTORY SHEET.

No. 695 Rank Pte Name Barker Chas B. Age 24 yrs.

Unit 1st D. Batt. Completed years of service { Where and how long } .....

Date of admission 24-2-18 Date of discharge .....

Diagnosis Measles Place of origin St. John, N.B.

CONDITION ON ADMISSION AND PROGRESS OF CASE

Came in to St James Dl complaining of pain in chest-
Exam Tongue coated Throat congested
Lungs no dulness coarse bronchial breathing both front and back
Measles
Discharged 26/2/18

Lungs some dulness in both front and back Coarse bronchial and blowing breathing all over chest.
Breathing laboured pulse weak irregular

FAMILY HISTORY

(Tuberculosis, mental or nervous diseases.) Gives a history of having had frequent colds and asthmatic attacks

TREATMENT

(Especially any specific or special form.) Stimulation. Cough mixture whiskey Strych 1/40 tid

CONDITION ON DISCHARGE,

(and disposal made of case.) Allowed to go to his home against advice of M.O.

Date 12/3/18

E. Thomas Capt
Medical Officer i/c case.

M. F. B. 313a.
50M.-11-17.
1772—39-439.

Headquarters

FORM OF WILL.

I, Charles Barker (Name in full)

Regimental Number 922039 serving in 200th Batt.

of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, do hereby revoke all former Wills by me made and declare this to be my last Will.

I bequeath all my real estate unto

Florence Maud Barker
Russell, Manitoba

Name and Address of person or persons to whom it is to go.

absolutely, and my personal estate I bequeath to

Florence Maud Barker
Russell, Man

Name and Address of person or persons to receive personal estate* *(See note).*

IMPORTANT NOTE
This must be Signed and Dated by THE SOLDIER HIMSELF.

this 14th day of December A. D. 1916

Chas Barker Signature of Soldier.

*N.B.—Personal estate includes pay, effects, money in bank, insurance policy, in fact everything except real estate.

Signed and acknowledged by the Testator as and for his last Will in the presence of us both present at the same time, who in his presence, at his request, and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses.

THE TWO WITNESSES MUST SIGN HERE

Signature of First Witness Jay Angus

Address of Witness Brandon, Man.

Occupation of Witness Engineer

Signature of Second Witness Fred Weatherhead

Address of Witness Teulon Man.

Occupation of Witness Farmer.

M. F. W. 82
300M-5-16.
1772-39-983.

CLINICAL CHART.

(To be pasted into Case Book opposite Patient's Case.)

Corps C. Coy. Hospital Station St. John N.B.

No. 695 Rank and Name Cpl. C. Barker Age 24 Service

Disease Typh. Date of Admission 24/2/18 Date of Discharge 12/3/18 Result Improved Case Book Folio

Dates of Observation	24	25	26	27	28	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Days of Disease	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17						
Temperature Fahrenheit — TIME a.m. p.m.																							
Pulse per Minute	100 / 96	88 / 100	84 / 90	108 / 122	108	120 / 96	100	96 / 104	76 / 74	68 / 80	68 / 80	68 / 64	110	110	84	84 / 96	9	140						
Respirations per Minute	24 / 20	24 / 24	28 / 24	48 / 24	36 / 22	26 / 24	24	24	22	24 / 20	22 / 24	24	22	20	40 / 24	24 / 36	40	46						
Motions	11	11 / 1	0 / 1	1 / 1	1 / 1	1 / 1	1 / 1	1 / 0	1 / 1	1 / 0	1 / 0	1 / 0	1 / 1	1 / 1	1 / 1	1 / 11	1							

Admitted at 1 p.m. Typhoid [illegible] Collapsed [illegible] Typhoid negative

M. F. B. 288.

50M—11-16.
H. Q. 1772-39-513.

Signature E. Thomas Capt. In charge of case.

He was told to report daily for examination of chest and taking of temperature as he had no temperature for this date. He was warned to obey instruction in regard to keeping off duty as the man seemed willing and was liable to help out in the work of the Unit. On Feb. 24th. he showed first signs of temperature again with chest symptoms of bronchitis and was sent to the Hospital at once on this date with diagnosis of bronchitis and a question of tuberculosis although the result of the sputum examination was negative for tuberculosis. This man had the best attention and observation afforded at the Depot Battalion as he was kept under observation and was examined each time by two medical officers.

2nd. Witness Continued.

Capt. H.O.Thomas being duly sworn in states as follows:-

3rd. Witness Capt.H.O.Thomas M.O.St.James St. and Pitt St. Hospitals.

Cpl. C. B. Barker was admitted to St. James St. Hospital 24/2/18 suffering apparently from an acute cold and apparently had some difficulty with his breathing due in my opinion to a slight asthmatic condition on 27/2/18 he developed a rash which was diagnosed as measles and he was transferred to Pitt St. Hospital. I was in attendance on the patient at Pitt St. Hospital. The measles were of a severe type. He later developped a Bronchil Pneumonia and his people were notified that his condition was serious. His father came from Fredericton to see him and asked to be allowed to remove him to his home. He was directed by me to see the A.D.M.S. but I first advised him not to have his son moved in his dangerous condition. He saw the A.D.M.S. who would not give his permission to have the patient moved. On the following day I had an appointment with Mr. Barker, to meet him at the office of the A.D.M.S. where he again begged that he be allowed to take the boy home. He informed us that he was perfectly satisfied with the surroundings and the treatment of his son, but assured us that his family were familiar with the care of patients. Consent was given after the signing of documents removing all blame and responsibility from the hospital, medical officers and the Militia Department. Attached is his statement signed by Mr. Barker agreeing to take upon himself all responsibility in regard to his son. I saw this boy after he was put aboard the train at 5-10 P.M. 12/3/18. His condition then appeared worse then when I last seen him at Pitt St. Hospital a few hours before. On the following forenoon I was called on the telephone by Mr. Barker to inform me that his son had died that morning at 1-30 , that he had appeared to stand the trip well , had talked with the family after arriving home, that he had expressed pleasure at being home, and appeared quite as well for a time after his arrival home as he was when he left Pitt St. Hospital. Later on he suddenly became worse. Mr. Barker expressed to me that he had no regrets for having taken the boy home.

While in both St. James and Pitt St. Hospitals he had every care and attention.

4th. Witness Matron M.A. Comp Compton Pitt St. Hosp.

Matron M.A. Compton being duly sworn in states as follows:-

Cpl. C.B.Barker was admitted to Pitt St. Hospital in the morning of the 24/2/18 suffering from measles, which, being contagious, was the cause of his transfer from St. James St. Hospital to Pitt St. Hospital. He was very sick and apparently suffering from a severe cold besides measles. His condition became gradually worse until he was taken from hospital by his father 12/3/18 about 4-00 P.M. His father said that he took upon himself all responsibility and signed papers to that effect. His father obtained permission to take him home from hospital only after undue pressure brought by him personally upon the medical officers.

* N. B—This Form being applicable to any Board of Officers or Committee or Court of Inquiry, this blank to be filled in accordingly.

The signature of each Officer composing the Board, &c., should be attached to the end of the proceedings.

PROCEEDINGS of a * Court of Inquiry

assembled at St. John, N.B.

on the 5/4/18 4-B-553

by order of Lt. Col. J.L.McAvity,
1St.Depot Bn.N.B.Regt.

for the purpose of Enquiring into the death of

#3255695 Cpl. C.B.Barker, 1St.Depot Bn.NB.Regt.

PRESIDENT.

Major Geo. Keeffe
1St.Depot BN.N.B.Regt.

MEMBERS.

Lieut. R.J.Smith
1St.Depot Bn.N.B.Regt.

Lieut. R.M.Keswick,
1St.Depot Bn.N.B.Regt.

The court having assembled pursuant to order, proceed to take evidence.

1St.Witness
Matron
M.G.Williams
St.James St.Hosp.

Matron M.G.Williams being duly sworn in. states as follows:-
Cpl. C.B.Barker was admitted to St. James St. Hospital 24/2/18 suffering from a cold. Everything possible was done for him here until he contracted measles and was transferred to Pitt St. Hospital 27/2/18.

2nd.Witness
Capt. F.A.Smith
M.O. 1St.Depot
Bn.N.B.Regt.

Capt. F.A.Smith being duly sworn in states as follows:-
Cpl. Barker first reported on sick parade 26/1/18. He had no temperature but appeared to have a cold He was given light duty for the 26th. and 27th. On Feb. 1st. he reported for dressing of former vaccination in the left arm. On Feb. 2nd. he reported with Pharyngitis but with no temperature, he was given aspirant and a gargyle and light duty. On Feb. 7th. he reported with Laryngitis and with a temperature 99. He was excused duty for three days to get his throat into condition by keeping it out of the cold air.
On Feb. 18th. he reported on sick parade again still with Laryngitis, was excused duty permanently and a specimen of his sputum was taken and sent to the hospital for examination as persistant Laryngitis aroused suspicion of tuberculosis

M. F. B. 303.
150M.—1-17.
H. Q. 1772—39—133.

COPY

Fredericton, N.B.
March 28. 1918.

Adjutant, 1st. Depot Battalion,
New Brunswick Regiment.

Sir:-

Replying to yours of the 16th., inst., No. 3,255,695, Corpl. Charles B. Barker died at the resident of my Brother, Judson Barker at Fredericton, N. B., on the 13th., March, 1918 of Measles with pheumonia complications.

Herewith enclosed bill of funeral expenses as per request.

Yours truly,

(Sgd). Chas. W. Barker.

COPY

Fill in only.—Unit, Number, Rank and Name.

M. F. W. 54. (A. F. B. 103.)
350M.—5-16
H. Q. 1772-39-920.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Unit, Regiment or Corps 1st Depot Bn N. B. Regt

Regimental No. 3255695 Rank A/ Corp Name Barker, Charles Benjamin
C. E. F.

Enlisted (*a*) I8-I-I8 Terms of Service (*a*) Duration of war Service reckons from (*a*) I8-I-I8

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*) Machinist & Fireman

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				

(*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.

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Original not available.

Fill in only.—Unit, Number, Rank and Name.

M. F. W. 54. (A. F. B. 103.)
350M.—5-16
H. Q. 1772-39-920.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Unit, Regiment or Corps 1st Depot Bn NB Regt.

Regimental No. 3,255,695 Rank Pte, C. E. F. Name Barker Charles, Benjamin

Enlisted (a) 18-1-18 Terms of Service (a) DofW Service reckons from (a) 18-1-18

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) .....

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23-2-18	1st D.B.NB.	From Corp, w/e from	St. Johns N.B.	26-1-18.	Pt II DO #54.
19-3-18	do.	SOS "Deceased"	do	13-3-18.	Pt II DO 78.

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for DofR

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SURNAME. Baker N.D. N.A.

CHRISTIAN NAMES Charlie B.

REGL. No. 325 5695 RANK Pte

UNIT T.O.S. 18 19—18

FORMER CORPS D.O. Part II No 17-17-1-18

CARD No.

FOLL.

M.D. #7

Corps: 1 Dep. Bn. N.B. Regt

NEXT OF KIN.

NAMES IN FULL

RELATIONSHIP TO SOLDIER

ADDRESS

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

COUNTRY OF BIRTH DATE

PLACE OF ATTESTATION DATE

L. L. 26989 M. & D. 8191. M. F. W. 22. 100M.—8-17. H. Q. 1772-39-339.

MARRIED SINGLE WIDOWER

TRADE OR CALLING RELIGION

DESCRIPTION.

APPARENT AGE YEARS MONTHS

HEIGHT FEET INCHES

CHEST MEASUREMENT INCHES EXPANSION INCHES

COMPLEXION EYES HAIR

DISTINGUISHING MARKS

MEDICAL EXAMINATION. PLACE DATE

H. Q.

M. D. No. 7

Surname Barker

T. O. S. Jan 18 1918.

Christian names Charles Benjamin

D. O. Pt. II of

Regtl. No. 3255695 Rank Capl

S. O. S. 19

Unit 1st Depot Bn, N. B. Regt

Reason

Auth.

Next of kin Barker, Mrs Sarah

Relationship Grandmother

Address St. Mary's North Devon York Co. N. B.

Also notify:

BORN—Place Canada North Devon N.B. Date June 14th 1892

ATTESTED—Place St. John, N. B Date Jan. 18th 1918

O/S

R/O

W. 22—50M.-3-19. 1772-3 -839.

H. Q. 649-B-25349.

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BARKER, Cpl. Charles B. #3255695, C.E.F.

Benjamin

1st Dpo Bn. N. B. Regt.

3255695

#7

Med & D (Father) Mr. Charles W. Barker,
North Devon,
York Co., N.B.

RV. 19/2/21

P & S (Father) Address as above.

Serial 806422

Scroll Desp. 11/8/21 Reqn. No. 251656

Mem Cross (Nil)

Plague Desp. 28/7/22 Reqn. No. P43466 51815

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Canada only

Reg. No. 3255695 Name Barker Charles B.

Rank Cpl Corps 1st Dep B'n Age 24 Service C 37/365

Ledger No. Serial No.

HOSPITALS	DATE	DIAGNOSIS
Mil St John N B	24-2-18	Bronchitis C
Transto Pitt St " "	26-2-18	
Dis to Duty	12-3-18	

P. T. O.

HOSPITALS	DATE	DIAGNOSIS

M. F. W. 2553.
75M.—9-19.
1772-39-1332.

R.S.R.

I, Charles William Barker. of North Heron. in the Province of New Brunswick.. by occupation. Provincial Constable. father of. Corporal Charles Benjamin Barker. who is this day being discharged from the Military Hospital St. John.N.B. do hereby state as follows:-.

1.That such dischargedis at my own special request, and also at the request and free will of my said son.

2. That the said discharge from Hospital is not in any way due to the voluntary action of the Medical Officer in charge of the said Hospital

3. That I have been informed by the Medical Officer in charge of the said Hospital, that the said patient's condition is critical, and that his removal from Hospital, would be both premature and dangerous, and against his and the Public's interest.

4. That the said discharge is requested by me, against the express and repeated advice of the Medical Officer in charge of the said Hospital.

5. That in consideration of my request, being thus granted, I hereby acknowledge that the removal of my said son, from the said Hospital is at my sole risk and upon my sole responsibility, and I hereby agree, and undertake, to forego any, and all claim, upon either the Medical Officer in charge of the said Hospital, or the Militia Authorities, for any injury, or delay in recovery resulting from the said removal.

6. That neither the Medical Officer in charge of the said Hospital, nor the Militia Authorities, are to be held responsible, for any future treatment, or care of my said son, in respect of the disease or illness for which he has been treated in the Hospital.

7. That my said son is of the full age of twenty one years, and capable at law of making a binding agreement.

8. That this statement has been read over in my hearing, and has been perfectly understood by me.

(Signature) Charles William Barker.

(Witness) Rosedale Sherman Road
A/Sgt. a.m.c., C.E.7.

Date... March 12th 1918....

Sec. P. & A.R. 624

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Capt. H.O.Thomas being duly sworn in states as follows:-

3rd. Witness Capt.H.O.Thomas M.O.St.James St. and Pitt St. Hospitals.

Cpl. C. B. Barker was admitted to St. James St. Hospital 24/2/18 suffering apparently from an acute cold and apparently had some difficulty with his breathing due in my opinion to a slight asthmatic condition on 27/2/18 he developed a rash which was diagnosed as measles and he was transferred to Pitt St. Hospital. I was in attendance on the patient at Pitt St. Hospital. The measles were of a severe type. He later developped a Bronchil Pnemonia and his people were notified that his condition was sericus. His father came from Fredericton to see him and asked to be allowed to remove him to his home. He was directed by me to see the A.D.M.S. but I first advised him not to have his son moved in his dangerous condition. He saw the A.D.M.S. who would not give his permission to have the patient moved. On the following day I had an appointment with Mr. Barker, to meet him at the office of the A.D.M.S. where he again begged that he be allowed to take the boy home. He informed us that he was perfectly satisfied with the surroundings and the tr atment of his son, but assured us that his family were familiar with the care of patients. Consent was given after the signing of documents removing all blame and responsibility from the hospital, medical officers and the Militia Department. Attached is his statement signed by Mr. Barker agreeing to take upon himself all responsibility in regard to his son. I saw this boy after he was put aboard the train at 5-10 P.M. 12/3/18. His condition then appeared worse then when I last seen him at Pitt St. Hospital a few hours before. On the following forenoon I was called on the telephone by Mr. Barker to inform me that his son had died that morning at 1-30 , that he had appeared to stand the trip well , had talked with the family after arriving home, had expressed pleasure at being home, and appeared quite as well for a time after his arrival home as he was when he left Pitt St. Hospital. Later on he suddenly became worse. Mr. Barker expressed to me that he had no regrets for having taken the boy home.

While in both St. James and Pitt St. Hospitals he had every care and attention.

4th. Witness Matron M.A. Comp Compton Pitt St. Hosp.

Matron M.A. Compton being duly sworn in states as follows:-

Cpl. C.B.Barker was admitted to Pitt St. Hospital in the morning of the 24/2/18 suffering from measles, which, being contagious, were the cause of his transfer from St. James St. Hospital to Pitt St. Hospital. He was very sick and apparently suffering from a severe cold besides measles. His condition became gradually worse until he was taken from hospital by his father 12/3/18 about 4-00 P.M. His father said that he took upon himself all responsibility and signed papers to that effect. His father obtained permission to take him home from hospital only after undue pressure brought by him personally upon the medical officers.

* N. B—This Form being applicable to any Board of Officers or Committee or Court of Inquiry, this blank to be filled in accordingly.

The signature of each Officer composing the Board, &c., should be attached to the end of the proceedings.

PROCEEDINGS of a * Court of Inquiry

assembled at St. John, N.B.

on the 5/4/18

by order of Lt. Col. J.L.McAvity,
1St.Depot Bn.N.B.Regt.

for the purpose of enquiring into the death of

#3255695 Cpl. C.B.Barker, 1St.Depot Bn.NB.Regt.

PRESIDENT.

Major Geo. Keeffe
1St.Depot Bn.N.B.Regt.

MEMBERS.

Lieut. R.J.Smith
1St.Depot Bn.N.B.Regt.

Lieut. R.M.Keswick,
1St.Depot Bn.N.B.Regt.

The court having assembled pursuant to order, proceed to take evidence.

1St.Witness
Matron
M.G.Williams
St.James St.Hosp.

Matron M.G.Williams being duly sworn in states as follows:-
Cpl. C.B.Barker was admitted to St. James St. Hospital 24/2/18 suffering from a cold. Everything possible was done for him here until he contracted measles and was transferred to Pitt St. Hospital 27/2/18.

2nd.Witness
Capt. F.A.Smith
M.O. 1St.Depot
Bn.N.B.Regt.

Capt. F.A.Smith being duly sworn in states as follows:-
Cpl. Barker first reported on sick parade 26/1/18 He had no temperature but appeared to have a cold He was given light duty for the 26th. and 27th. On Feb. 1st. he reported for dressing of former vaccination in the left arm. On Feb. 2nd. he reported with Pharyngitis but with no temperature, he was given aspirant and a gargyle and light duty. On Feb. 7th. he reported with Laryngitis and with a temperature 99. He was excused duty for three days to get his throat into condition by keeping it out of the cold air.
On Feb. 18th. he reported on sick parade again still with Laryngitis, was excused duty permanently and a specimen of his sputum was taken and sent to the hospital for examination as persistant Laryngitis aroused suspicion of tuberculosis