85th Battalion

ATTESTATION PAPER.

No. 222023

Folio.

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.

(ANSWERS.)

1. What is your surname? — Reid
1a. What are your Christian names? — Ralph Douglas
1b. What is your present address? —
2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born? — Brookvale Musquodoboit, Halifax Co. N.S.
3. What is the name of your next-of kin? — Alex J. Reid
4. What is the address of your next-of-kin? — Milford Station, Hants Co. N.S.
4a. What is the relationship of your next-of-kin? — Father
5. What is the date of your birth? — April 2nd 1873
6. What is your Trade or Calling? — Bookkeeper
7. Are you married? — Single
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated? — Yes.
9. Do you now belong to the Active Militia? — No
10. Have you ever served in any Military Force? — No
If so, state particulars of former Service.
11. Do you understand the nature and terms of your engagement? — Yes.
12. Are you willing to be attested to serve in the Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force? — Yes.
13. Have you ever been discharged from any Branch of His Majesty's Forces as medically unfit? —
14. If so, what was the nature of the disability? —
15. Have you ever offered to serve in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces and been rejected? —
16. If so, what was the reason? —

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DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, Ralph Reid, do solemnly declare that the above are answers made by me to the above questions and that they are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements by me now made, and I hereby engage and agree to serve in the **Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force**, and to be attached to any arm of the service therein, for the term of one year, or during the war now existing between Great Britain and Germany should that war last longer than one year, and for six months after the termination of that war provided His Majesty should so long require my services, or until legally discharged.

Sgd R.D. Reid (Signature of Recruit)

Date Sept 17th 1915. Sgd D. J. Heard Capt. (Signature of Witness)

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, Ralph D. Reid, do make Oath, that I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty **King George the Fifth**, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will as in duty bound honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown and Dignity, against all enemies, and will observe and obey all orders of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and of all the Generals and Officers set over me. So help me God.

Sgd R.D. Reid (Signature of Recruit)

Date 4th Oct 1915. Sgd J. C. Chisholm Lieut. (Signature of Witness)

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE.

The Recruit above-named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said Recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me, at Halifax this 4th day of Oct. 1915.

Sgd J. C. Chisholm J.P. (Signature of Justice)

in and for the City & County of Halifax

M. F. W. 23.
750 M.—1-17.
H. Q. 1772-39-841.

N.B.—ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE FACT THAT ANY PERSON MAKING A FALSE ANSWER TO ANY OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS IS LIABLE TO A PENALTY OF SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.

True Copy.

Director of Records.

Description of Ralph D. Reid on Enlistment.

Apparent Age 22 years ..... months.
(To be determined according to the instructions given in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.)

Height ..... 5 ft. 9¼ ins.

Chest measurement.
- Girth when fully expanded ..... 40 ins.
- Range of expansion ..... 3 ins.

Complexion ..... Med.

Eyes ..... Gray.

Hair ..... Lt. Brown

Religious denominations.
- Church of England .....
- Presbyterian ..... Yes.
- Methodist .....
- Baptist or Congregationalist .....
- Roman Catholic .....
- Jewish .....
- Other denominations ..... (Denomination to be stated.)

Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease.
(Should the Medical Officer be of opinion that the recruit has served before, he will, unless the man acknowledges to any previous service, attach a slip to that effect, for the information of the Approving Officer).

161 lbs.
Mole on left eye.

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CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named Recruit and find that he does not present any of the causes of rejection specified in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.

He can see at the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs, and he declares that he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him* fit for the Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force.

Date 12-9-15 191 (Sgd) M. Harvey

Place Halifax Lt. A.M.C.
Medical Officer.

*Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

NOTE.—Should the Medical Officer consider the Recruit unfit, he will fill in the foregoing Certificate only in the case of those who have been attested, and will briefly state below the cause of unfitness:—

CERTIFICATE OF OFFICER COMMANDING UNIT.

Ralph Douglas Reid having been finally approved and inspected by me this day, and his Name, Age, Date of Attestation, and every prescribed particular having been recorded, I certify that I am satisfied with the correctness of this Attestation.

(Sgd) A. H. Morden (Signature of Officer)
Lt. Col.
Comd'g. 85th Bn C.E.F.

Date Dec. 20 1915.

Original

Unit 85 O.S. Bn. N.S.H. C.E.F. Rank Lieut Name R D Reid

OFFICERS' DECLARATION PAPER.

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED BY OFFICER.

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(ANSWERS.)

1. (a) What is your Surname? Reid

(b) What are your Christian Names? Ralph Douglas

2. (a) Where were you born? (State place and country) Brookvale, Musquodoboit N.S.

(b) What is your present address? Milford Sta., Hants Co. N.S.

3. What is the date of your birth? April 2 1893

4. What is (a) the name of your next-of-kin? A J Reid

(b) the address of your next-of-kin? Milford Sta. Hants Co N.S.

(c) the relationship of your next-of-kin? Father

5. What is your profession or occupation? Bookkeeper

6. What is your religion? Presbyterian

7. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated? Yes

8. To what Unit of the Active Militia do you belong? None

9. State particulars of any former Military Service None

10. Are you willing to serve in the

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE? Yes

The undersigned hereby declares that the above answers made by him to the above questions are true.

R. D. Reid (Signature of Officer.)

Ralph Douglas Reid

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named Officer in accordance with the Regulations for Army Medical Services.

I consider him* fit for the CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

Date 28 Sept 1916

Place Aldershot N.S.

Joseph Hayes
Medical Officer.

*Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

M. F. W. 51.

20m.—10-15.
H. Q. 1772-39 917.

Proceedings of Court of Inquiry or on men reported Missing on Active Service.....

2 Attestation Papers.....

Declaration of change of name.....

Authority for special enlistments.....

Documents of re-enlisted men.....

1 Regimental Conduct Sheet.....

Compulsory Stoppages.....

Casualty Forms.....1.....

Proceedings on discharge.....

Corps History Sheet.....

Date and No. of Deposit Receipt for Purchase Money and Amount.....

Parchment Certificate.....

Medical Report for Invalids.....

Medical History Sheet.....2.....

Proceedings of Regt. Court Martial.....

Copies of Convictions by Civil Power.....

1 Company Conduct Sheet.....

Clothing Transfer Certificate.....

Inventory of Kit.....

Last Pay Certificate.....

1 Pay Card M.F.W. 67 - 1. 1 Pay card

Copy of will - 1

M. F. W. 62.
50M.—9-16.
H. Q. 1772—39—935.

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Officers

~~DISCHARGE~~ DOCUMENTS

R. O. No.....

H. Q. No.....

Name REID RALPH DOUGLAS.

Regt. No. 222023 Rank Lieut.

Corps 85th Bn.

(2) Kin A. 5.5.17.

(1)

8173

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1 - 25
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Treated for mould contamination
Traité contre la moisissure
Date: 21/09/2014
GKK

222023	[redacted] REID	RALPH DOUGLAS
I.D. number **No. d'identification**	**Surname** **Nom de famille**	**Given names** **Prénoms**

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H. Q. FILE No. 649-

FOLLOWS No.

FOLLOWS

NAME Reid, Ralph Douglas

RANK AND CORPS Lieut 85th Bn C.

NATURE OF CASUALTY

CABLE No.	DATE	
M2772	24-4-17	Reported wounded remaining at duty April 10th 1917
M4028	9-5-17	Killed in action May 5th 1917
A.F.B	2090a	" " " " " "
Rouen	12-8-17	Rec'd 31-7-17

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M. F. W. 42—50M.—12-16.
H. Q. 1772-39-893.

LIST No	HOSPITAL	DATE OF ADMISSION	REMARKS
65-6	Wounded,	10-4-17	at duty
669	Rep. from Base	5-5-17	Killed in act-

No. RANK Lieut. NAME Reid Ralph D.

T. C. S. UNIT 85th Battalion C. E. F.

M. D. 6

PAID FROM	PAID TO	SIG. OR REC'T	PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, DISCHARGES, ETC.	
			PARTICULARS	AUTHORITY
1916 Sept 12	1916 Sept 31 Oct.	✓ M.	Prom. Lieut. 12/9/16	(O.O. 6) of 18/9/16.

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UNIT SAILED
OCT 12 1916

SURNAME. Reid

CHRISTIAN NAMES Ralph Douglas.

REGL. No. RANK Lieut.

UNIT 85th Bn.

FORMER CORPS nil.

398-16-87

CARD No. D

FOLL.

NEXT OF KIN.

NAMES IN FULL Reid, A. J.

RELATIONSHIP TO SOLDIER Father.

ADDRESS Milford Station, Hants Co, N.S.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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COUNTRY OF BIRTH Canada. Brookvale, N.S. DATE apr. 2nd 1892.

PLACE OF ATTESTATION Aldershot, N.S. DATE Sept. 28th 1916.

Sailed from Halifax Per S. S "Olympic" 12-10-16

Previously attested with 85th Bn. as Ste. with no. 222023 at Halifax

D. L. 10437. M. & D. 7253. M. F. W. 22. 100M.—11-16. H. Q. 1772-39-339. 4/10/15

MARRIED SINGLE WIDOWER

TRADE OR CALLING Book. keeper. RELIGION Presbyterian.

DESCRIPTION.

APPARENT AGE YEARS MONTHS

HEIGHT FEET INCHES

CHEST MEASUREMENT INCHES EXPANSION INCHES

COMPLEXION EYES HAIR

DISTINGUISHING MARKS

MEDICAL EXAMINATION. PLACE Aldershot. N.S. DATE Sept. 28th 1916.

Present address. Milford Station. N. S.

No. 222023 RANK Pte NAME Reid Ralph D.

T. O. S. UNIT 85th Battalion C. E. F.

M. D. 6

PAID FROM	PAID TO	SIG. OR REC'T	PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, DISCHARGES, ETC.	
			PARTICULARS	AUTHORITY
1915	1915			
Oct. 1	Oct. 31	✓		
Nov.		✓		
Dec.		✓	Prom. to Sgt. 4.12.15	Dec. gazette
1916	1916			
Jan.		✓		
Feb.		✓		
Mar.		✓		UNIT SAILED
Apr.		✓		
May		✓		OCT 1 2 1916
June		✓		
July		✓		
Aug.		✓		
Sept. 1	Sept. 11	R.	S.O.S. Appointed to a Comm. 11/9/16 (A.O.6) of 15/9/16	
			a/c carried forward R.	

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REID, Ralph Douglas, Lieut. 85th Bn.

Not elig. for 14-15 Star

MEDALS & DECORATIONS

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Alexander J. Reid (Father)
Shubenacadie, N.S.

Scroll Desp. FEB 22 1921 Regn. No 2/22389

Father, as above.

PLAQUE & SCROLL

Plague Desp. JUL 14 1922 Regn. No P42332

Serial No 783716

MEMORIAL CROSS

Mrs. Bessie Reid (Mother)
Shubenacadie, N.S.

Desp JUN 14 1920 C11583

H.L.

Number..... Rank LIEUT.....

Surname REID

Christian Names RALPH DOUGLAS

Unit..... Theatre of War France

Dates of Service.....

Remarks..... "Father"

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Latest Address Mr. Alexander J. Reid

Shubenacadie, N.S.

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Roll No. 13

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G.C. 24565 Disp.
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JUL 21 1921
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FORM R. 149.
7106—250m—7/2/17.

Name REID Rank Lieut. Reg. No. 9 R 28.

Unit Ralph Douglas
85th. Bn.

Next of Kin Canada

A.F.B. 104-93.

Date	Movement	Place	Casualty	List No.	Notified N/K O.	W.O. List
10.4.17	Rep. from G.H.Q.	WOUNDED AT DUTY		656	M2772	24-4
5.5.17	Rep from G.H.Q. Killed in Action			669	M 4028	9/5

Date		Movement	Place	Casualty	List No.	Notified N/K O.		W.O. List

Reid R.D.

Lieut. 85th Batt

reported Wounded at Duty 10-4-17

Now reported from Base KILLED IN ACTION:-

5-5-17

C.L.24-4-17 656

9-5-17 669

A.M.D. 2 DEPT.

Boh. of D.G.M.S. O.M.F.C. London.

D. M. S. 1347.

Surname | Christian Name | Reg. No.

Rank | Unit

MEDICAL BOARD held at | Date | Serial No.

(1)

Other Medical Boards at | Date | Serial No.

(2)

(3)

(4)

(5)

Condition found by Board

Disposition Recommended

(1)

(2)

(3)

(4)

(5)

PENSIONS & CLAIMS BOARD held at | Date.....

Disposition

Remarks

Indicate by a P.T.O. if continued on other side.

To be made out in duplicate.

H.Q. 54-21-23-53

PARTICULARS OF FAMILY OF AN OFFICER OR MAN ENLISTED IN C. E. F.

INSTRUCTIONS.

(a) This form is only required for men joining units for Overseas Service and must be completed immediately the man is warned for draft overseas.

(b) Care must be taken to see that a man is allotted his correct Regimental Number. No numbers must be duplicated and once it has been allotted to a man, even if he is subsequently discharged, the same number must never be allotted to another man.

(c) All questions, etc., must be answered.

(d) One copy of the form is to be forwarded by Officer Commanding unit for each Officer and man to Officer Commanding Division or District at least seven days before man leaves his station to proceed overseas, for transmission to Accountant and Paymaster General, Ottawa.

(e) Duplicate copy is to be forwarded direct to Officer in charge of Records, C.E.F. London, immediately after arrival in England.

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(1) Name of Overseas Unit which Soldier joins 85th Overseas Battalion C.E.F.

(2) Regimental Number ~~[illegible]~~ Lieut

(3) Full Name of Soldier Ralph Douglas Reid

(4) Place of Birth Brookvale
Halifax Co. N.S.

(5) Are you married, or not ? No

(6) If married, state,
(a) Full name of your wife Nil

(b) Present Postal Address Nil

(7) Are you a widower ? No

(8) Have you any children ? No

If so, give number of boys and girls Nil

Also their names and ages

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(9) Is your Father alive? Yes

If so, state name and address Alexander James Reid
Milford Station. N.S.

(10) Is your Mother alive? Yes.

If so, state name and address Bessie Reid
Milford Station, Hants Co., N.S.

(11) If your Mother is a widow No

Are you her sole support, or not? No.

(12) If sole support of widowed mother, state what amount you have given her per month prior to your enlistment, also reason she has no other support than yourself.

Nil.

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(13) If you have no wife, father, mother or children, state the name and relationship with full postal address of your next of kin, to whom you would desire any communication to be sent concerning you.

Nil

(14) If you have a wife, or children, or a widowed mother who depends on you as her sole support, have you applied to the Paymaster of your unit for Separation Allowance? If not, this must be done.

Nil.

15) Are you insured? Yes.

If so, in what Company? North American Life Assurance.

Have you made arrangements for payment of your Insurance premium Yes.

If not, and it is a monthly premium, you can assign the amount in addition to any other assignment you wish to make.

SEAS BATTAL ... E.F.
SEP 1 1916
NOVA SCOTIA ... ERS.

Date.....

[signature] Lt. Colonel
Comd'g 85th "Overseas" Bat'n, C.E.F.
Officer Commanding.
(Nova Scotia Highlanders.)

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17 FEB. 1917
CANADIAN RECORD OFFICE

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 85th Overseas Bn. C.E.F.

Regimental No. 9/3/22 Rank Lieut. Name Ralph Douglas Reid

Enlisted (a) ~~17-9-15~~ Terms of Service (a) Duration of War Service reckons from (a) ~~17-9-15~~ 12.10.16

Date of promotion to present rank 19-9-16 Date of appointment to lance rank Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os.

Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b) R.S.I.

Report: Date	Report: From whom received	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.
		Embarked Canada	Halifax	12.10.16 ~~10-10-16~~	
		Disembarked England	Liverpool	10-9-16	
10/2/17	O.C. 85th Bn	Proceeded overseas for service	Witley	10/2/17	Part II Orders No 36 [signature] MAJOR For Officer Com'dg 85th. Overseas Bn. C. E. F.
10.2.17	M.L.O.	Disembarked	Boulogne	10.2.17	L.R. 7559.
14.4.17	O.C. 85 Bn	Wounded, at duty	Field	12.4.17	B.213, Dbs 23.
6.5.17	D.A.A.G. Can. Sec.	Killed in action	Field	5.5.17	A.G's List. 977 d/- 6.5.17 + Letter O.C. 85th. d/- 7.5.17. ref. A.A.G. Can. Sec. K.I. 16-5677. Dbs. 30. Pt. II O. 66 d/- 12.5.17. J M Anderson Lieutenant for Major A.A.G. Can. Sec. G.H.Q. 3rd. Echelon.

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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 will be entered.
(b) e.g., Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

[P.T.O.

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				

H.L.C.

FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier 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.

REGIMENT OR CORPS: 85th Can.Inf.Bn.(N.S.H.) Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company:

Regimental No. Rank: Lieutenant

Surname: R E I D Christian Names: Ralph Douglas

Died: Date: 5-5-17 Place: In the Field (France)

Cause of Death*: Killed in action.

Nature and Date of Report: G.H.Q.Sum.of Cas.List 977 d/-6-5-17.

By whom made: A.A.G.Can.Section,G.H.Q.3rd Echelon.

* 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.

A.F.B. 2090 A.
5- JUL. 1917
FORWARDED TO OTTAWA.

Burial: Place Date

By whom reported

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State whether he leaves a Will or not: (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) (b) in Small Book (if at Base) (c) as a separate document

Not received

PAYMASTER
8 JUN 1917
CANADIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ESTATES GEN. SEC. 7
ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S DEPT
JUN. 1917
O.M.F.

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.

Station and Date: Rouen, 12-5-17.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base: [signature] Captain, for Major, AAG., Can.Sec., G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon.

(1452) W858'7/M930 500,000 10/16 JFW [E328] Forms/B2090A/2

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CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.

This is to certify that Lieutenant Ralph Douglas Reid, 85th Overseas Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force, has been officially reported as having been killed in action on the 5th day of May, 1917.

On appointment, he gave the name and address of his next of kin as follows:-

A. J. Reid, (father),
Milford Station,
Hants Co., N.S.

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Major-General,
a/Adjutant-General.

August 14th, 1917.

Certificate of Death
sent to
J. Wilson Purdom, Esq.,
The N.L.A. Co., London, Ont
Aug. 14/17.

R1

FORM OF WILL.

I, Ralph Douglas Reid (Name in full)

~~Regimental Number~~ Lieut serving in 85th Batt'n, C.E.F.

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

NIL.

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

absolutely, and my personal estate I bequeath to

Alexander J. Reid
Milford Station. Hants Co
Novascotia. Can.

Name & Address of person or persons to receive personal estate* *(see note)*.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 29th day of December A.D. 191 .6

R.D.Reid. Signature.

*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.

Name of Witness C A Withrow

Address of Witness 85th Batt C.I. Witley Eng

Occupation of Witness Soldier.

Name of Witness Geo. Coltley

Address of Witness 85th Batn. C.I.Witley.Eng.

Occupation of Witness Soldier.

NOTE. Ralph .D.Reid, Lieut. 85th Battn

Taken from living 18-5-17.

SL.

M. F. B. 239.
1 million—6-16.
H.Q. 1772-39-194.

In any further correspondence on this subject please quote Number and Date of this Communication.

No.

HEADQUARTERS ALDERSHOT CAMP AUG 29 1916 HQ. No. 11-R-8

Aldershot Camp N.S. August 28th 1916

From Officer Commanding,
85th Overseas Bn. C.E.F.

To Brigade Major,
Nova Scotia Highland Brigade.

N. S. H. BRIGADE Aldershot, N. S. AUG 28 Rec'd N. S. H. B. No. 8-R-9

Sir:-

I have the honour to recommend Lieut. Ralph Douglas Reid 14th K.C.H., to be appointed provisional Lieutenant in the 85th Overseas Bn. C.E.F. to complete establishment of this unit please.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your obedient servant.

Lieut. Col.
Commanding 85th Overseas Bn. C.E.F.
"Nova Scotia Highlanders."

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Forwarded and recommended.

Lt. Col
Comndg Nova Scotia Highland Brigade.

NOVA SCOTIA HIGHLAND BRIGADE AUG 28 1916 H.Q. Aldershot

HEADQUARTERS
ALDERSHOT CAMP
SEP 18 1916
H.Q.A.C. No. 11-R-8

MD6.133-38-2.
H.Q.A.C.11-R-8.

Halifax, N.S. 12th September, 1916.

MILITARY DISTRICT No. 6
HALIFAX, N. S.
SEP 13, 1916
M. D. No. 6

The Commandant,

Aldershot Camp, N.S.

Lieut. Ralph Douglas Reid., 14th K.C.H.
Appt. to 85th Oversras Battalion, C.E.F.

With reference to your letter of the 30th ultimo, regarding the appointment of the marginally named officer to the 85th O/S Battalion, C.E.F., I am directed to inform you that the provisional appointment of this Officer has been approved,

Major,

ASST. D.A.A.&.Q.M.G. M.D. No.6.

ORIGINAL 6 Original ~~222023~~ Lieut-

MEDICAL HISTORY SHEET.

Surname Reid Christian Name Ralph D.

Examined on 17th day of Sept 1915 at HALIFAX

Approved by Joseph Hays Lieut-Col M.O.

Birthplace City or Town Brookvale County Hfx. Co. N.S.

Apparent age 22

Trade or occupation Book-keeper

Height 5 Feet 9 1/4 Inches.

Weight 161 Lbs.

Chest measurement Minimum 40 inches. Maximum expansion 43 inches.

Physical development Good

Small-Pox Marks

Vaccination Marks Arm Right. Left. Arm Number Once

When Vaccinated last Boyhood

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection Nil

Date	Fit or Unfit	Examined for Re-engagement,
		M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.

Date	Result	Vaccinations.
15/6/16	Good	J Hays M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.

Date	Result	Anti-Typhoid Inoculations, Etc.
24/11/16	Good	M.O.
4/5/16	Good	M.O.
26/10/16	T.A.B.	J Hays M.O.

Enlisted on 17 day of Sept 1915 at Halifax, N.S.

	Corps.	Regt'l Number.	Habits.	Date.
Joined on enlistment	85th. Overseas Bn. C. E. F. Nova Scotia Highlanders.	222023		17/9/15
Transferred to..	P.O.S.	Do Lieut-		16-2-17.

EXAMINED OR DISCHARGED BY A MEDICAL BOARD.

Station.	Date.	Disease.	Result.

N. B.—This sheet to be disposed of in accordance with instructions in the Regulations for Army Medical Service, on the man becoming non-effective; the date and cause being stated on next page.

M. F. B. 313.

100M.—5-15.
H. Q. 1772-39-439

Surname Reid Christian Name Ralph S.

STATION.	Date of Arrival at the Station.	Dates of Admission into Hospital. Day	Month	Year	Dates of Discharge from Hospital. Day	Month	Year	DISEASE.	Number of days in Hospital.	Remarks on nature of the disease: how induced: if mild or severe: if completely recovered from; whether any particular treatment was adopted. In venereal cases state nature of primary disease, and whether mercury has been given. If an accident, state whether it occurred on duty and whether a Court of inquiry was held. Date of issue and particulars of artificial teeth or surgical appliances supplied. Particulars of prophylactic inoculations.	Signature of Medical Officer.
Halifax	17/9/15										

READ THE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.

UNDER COLUMNS 1 to 12 THE INFORMATION, AS FOLLOWS MUST BE INSERTED.

No. 1—Whether holding any rank in the Militia at present or not. If so, the rank and regiment to be inserted.

No. 2—Christian name (or names) and surname to be clearly inserted in full (surname last), particular attention to be given to correct spelling.

No. 3—The actual profession or occupation to be always stated.

No. 4—Residence and post office address in full.

No. 5—If a naturalized British subject, how naturalization was obtained to be stated.

No. 6—Accuracy is essential as to month and year of birth, as verification may be necesary at a later date.

No. 7—State of health.

Nos. 8 and 9—All qualifications to be inserted.

No. 10.—If a provisional or supernumerary appointment, it must always be so stated.

No. 11—Except under very special circumstances, appointments will not be antedated prior to the date of recommendation. If an antedate is recommended the reason therefor must accompany this Form.

No. 12—How vacancy was caused must be given, i.e., vice "_____" promoted, transferred or retired, as the case may be.

"To complete establishment" is not correct after the establishment has once been completed.

NOTES.

a.—The person recommended must sign his name, showing that he consents to the appointment or promotion.

b.—In all instances this recommendation must be sent direct by the Captain to the Officer Commanding the Regiment, for his recommendation to the Officer Commanding Division or District.

c.—In all instances "Transfer Receipt" of Stores must accompany the recommendation for promotion, or the resignation of an Officer Commanding a unit.

d.—For full instructions see "The King's Regulations and Orders for the Militia of Canada, 1910."

e.—In cases of appointment, &c., in Rural Corps, [redacted] Battery or Company must be given.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

CERTIFIED that the Candidate has been medically examined in accordance with the instructions laid down in Appendix No. 6, Regulations for the Canadian Medical Service, 1910, and has been found*_____.

Date_____

_____

Signature of Medical Officer.

H. Q. 338-15-81

DEPT. MILITIA & DEFENCE JUL 22 1916 H.Q. CANADA

MILITARY DISTRICT No. 6 HALIFAX N.S. JUL 5 1916 43-R-143 M.D. No. 6

ACTIVE MILITIA OF CANADA.

Recommendation for Appointment or Promotion 'A' {SQUADRON, BATTERY or COMPANY.} 14th Kings Canadian Hussars *Regiment*

Headquarters at Canning *Province of* *Date* June 24 1916.

1 Present Rank.	2 (The whole Name in full, Surname last.) (IN BLOCK CAPITALS)	3 Profession or Occupation.	4 Residence and Post Office Address IN FULL	5 Native Country (If born abroad state if British Subject).	6 Date of Birth.	7 State of Health.	8 Military Qualifications. Qualified for rank of	9 Branch of Service Number and Date of Certificate	10 Rank for which Recommend'd.	11 Appointment to date from	12 How Vacancy was caused.
Sergeant	RALPH DOUGLAS REID RALPH DOUGLAS REID	Book-keep	Milford Sta. Atlanta Co. Nova Scotia	Canada	Apr 7th 1893	Good	Lieut	Infantry RSI PASSED FEB 1916. NO NUMBER GIVEN YET	Lieut	June 24th 1916	Supernumerary

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I am willing to accept this appointment.

Ralph D Reid
(Signature of Appointee.)

Date June 24-16.

(1)
(Signature of Captain) H. Miller Major

Date 1/7/16

(2)
{Signature of O. C. Regt.} L. A. Harris Major 14th K.C.H.

Date 4-7-16

Recommended and Forwarded.

W. E. Glenn Major Col
NAJOR GENERAL
Officer Commanding Division or M. D. 6

Place Halifax N.S.

Date July 19th 1916

THIS SPACE FOR USE AT MILITIA HEADQUARTERS ONLY.
GAZETTE No. 71
DATE 27-7-16

INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK.

M. F. B. 287.
50 m.—7-15.
H. Q. 1772-39-49.

85th OS 3rd Cent

H.Q.A.C. No.

H.Q.A.C., 11-R-8.
N.S.H.B., 8-R-9

Aldershot Camp. N.S., 14th.Sept., 1916.,

To.

The Officer Commanding,
Nova Scotia Highland Brigade,
Alder hot Camp. N.S.,

Lieut.Ralph Douglas Reid. 14th.K.C.H.
Appointment to 85th.Overseas Bn.,C.E.F.

With reference to your communication of the 28th.ultimo, regarding the appointment of the marginally named Officer, I have to inform you that under authority of 6.D.133-38-2, dated 12th.Sept., 1916, the appointment, provisional, of this officer has been approved.

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J.91.
Major.,
for D.A.A.G., Aldershot Camp. N.S.,
(A.O.D.)

R. 150

C.T.

Surname REID

Christian Names Ralph Douglas (AFB158-85th Bn 1-3-17

Rank Lieutenant

Name and Address of Next-of-Kin

Promotion

A.J.Reid, (Father)

Milford Sta. Hants Co.,

Nova Scotia, Canada.

85 Bn

Unit 85th Battalion

Place of birth Brookvale, Musquodobach. N.S.

Married (Yes or No)

Appointments

H

M

Date of leaving Canada 12.10.16 Hq 21.10.16 Date and Cause of Resignation

Report Date	From whom received	Record of Promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place NLR	Date	REMARKS Taken from Official Documents
10-2-17	85th Bn	Proceeded. O/Seas		10-2-17	Pt II 0-36
24-4-17	CRO	Reported from Gen HQ as "Wounded - at Duty"		10-4-17	C.L. 656
9.5.17	C.R.O.	Reported from base Killed in action		5.5.17	C.L. 669 Pt II Ord 66. 85th Bn

A.F.B. 103, 17.

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Report		Record of Promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	REMARKS Taken from Official Documents
Date	From whom received				

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NIGHT LETTER

Great North Western Telegraph Company of Canada.

Exclusive connection with the
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Z. A. LASH, President

Cable Service
to all the world
GEO. D. PERRY, General Manager

Receiver's No.	Time Filed	Check

SEND the following NIGHT LETTER subject to the terms printed on the back hereof, which are hereby agreed to.

Ottawa, April 24th, 1917

MILITIA & DEFENCE
APR 25 1917
CANADA

338-15-8

A.J.Reid (FATHER)
Milford Station,
Hants Co.,
N.S.

D.S./20

Cable received today states Lieutenant Ralph Douglas Reid, Infantry, officially reported wounded, remaining at duty, April tenth, nineteen seventeen.

Officer i/c Records.

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Z. A. LASH, President. GEO. D. PERRY, General Manager.

MONEY TRANSFERRED BY TELEGRAPH AND CABLE TO ALL THE WORLD.

Inventry of Kit, Lieut. [illegible] D. Reid, (Deceased) 85th. C. I. Battn. B. E. F., Forwarded to Messrs Cox & Co., London, 20-5-17.

18 JUN 1917

18-68

1 Sleeping Bag.
1 Coat British warm.
1 Trench Coat.
3 Suits Pyjamas.
2 Pr. Boots.
1 Pr. Boots (Packs)
1 Pr. Boots Canvass.
1 Pr. Slippers.
9 Pr. Socks.
1 Pr. Breaches.
1 Pr. Trousers.
2 Tunics.
1 Set Collar Badges.
1 Sweater.
4 Neck Ties.
1 Hone.
2 Top Shirts.
1 Suit Underwear.
4 Towels.
1 Water Bottle.
1 Hat, W.P.
1 Webb Belt.
1 Webb Brace.
1 Belt Sam Brown
1 Magazine Holder.
1 Holster.
1 Money Belt.
1 Electric Lamp.
1 Set Military Brushes.
4 Kandkerchiefs.
8 Collars,

Corrected Inventory On File

Sgt Patterson
15-8-17.

Certified Correct

Robt. J. Donaldson Capt.
Q.M. 85th. C.I.Battalion, B.E.F.

A.G's. OFFICE AT THE FRONT
No. 11316
9 JUN 1917
CANADIAN SECTION

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Form P.—59.

STATEMENT OF PAY ACCOUNT.

No. ..... Rank Lieut Name R.D. REID

Unit 85th Bn Original Unit on Enlistment in O.M.F. of C. 85th Bn

Date non-effective { ~~Discharge~~ / Decease 5.5.17. / ~~Desertion~~ } Authority Killed in Action

C.L./ 669 D/ 5 9.5.17.

Credits.	$	c.	Debits.	$	c.
From 1.11.16. 191, to 31.5.17.			Total Cash Payments	746	20
No. of days 212			Total Assigned Pay @ $ 2.00 per month		
Pay @ 60 per diem ...	424		Total Assigned Pay @ $ per month		
F.A. @ per diem ...	127	20	Other Charges		
From 18.10.16. 191, to 31.5.17.			(Particulars)		
No. of days 226					
Messing 1.00 Pay @ per diem ...	226				
F.A. @ per diem ...					
Other Credits ... ... (Particulars)					
Cred. Bal. from Canada	80	60			
Adjustment of Exchange (see below)					
Cash in effects	8	92			
Debit Balance ...			Credit Balance ...	120	52
TOTAL ...	866	72	TOTAL ...	866	72

Sterling equivalent of above Balance @ $4.86⅔ = £ 24.15.3.

Assignment of Pay has been charged on Pay List to .....

Stop payment form forwarded to Assigned Pay Branch on .....

PARTICULARS OF EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT.

Total Cash Payments for period during which payments were made @ $5.00 to the £ ... ... $ .....

Exchange @ $5.00 ... ... £ .....

Exchange @ $4.86⅔ ... ... £ .....

Difference in sterling ... ... £ .....

Or Canadian Currency @ $4.86⅔ ... ... $ .....

Statement of Account rendered OCT 22 1917

ES Duplicate

Certified correct,

Captain
For Chief Paymaster

State if balance due is paid or transferred for settlement :—

C11 11/17

Form P.—62.

STATEMENT OF PAY ACCOUNT.

No. ..... Rank Lieut. Name ..... R.D. ..... Ch.

Unit 85th Bn Original Unit on Enlistment in O.M.F. of C. ..... Ch.

Date non-effective { Discharge / Decease / Desertion } 5.5.17. Authority ..... Alloc. in Saterns

Credits	$	c.	Debits	$	c.
From 1.11.16 1st, to 31.5.17.			Total Cash Payments	945	50
No. of days 212			Total Assigned Pay @ $ per month		
Pay @ 2.00 per diem	424		Total Assigned Pay @ $ per month		
F.A. @ 60 per diem	127	20	Other Charges (Particulars)		
From 18.10.16. 1st, to 31.5.17.					
No. of days 220					
Pay @ 1.00 per diem	220				
F.A. @ per diem					
Other Credits (Particulars)					
Cred. Bal. from Canada	80	60			
Adjustment of Exchange (see below)					
Debit Balance	6	92	Credit Balance	130	52
Total	755	72	Total	956	72

Sterling equivalent of above Balance @ $4.86⅔ = £ 24.15.

Assignment of Pay has been charged on Pay List t.

Stop payment form forwarded to Assigned Pay Branch on

PARTICULARS OF EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT.

Total Cash Payments for period during which payments were made @ $5.00 to the £ ..... $

Exchange @ $5.00 ..... £

Exchange @ $4.86⅔ ..... £

Difference in sterling ..... £

Or Canadian Currency @ $4.86⅔ ..... $

Certified correct.

Captain

For Chief Paymaster.

State if balance due is paid or transferred for settlement.

H.Q..A. C. 11-R-8

Aldershot Camp. N.S., 30th.August, 1916..

To.

The D.A.A.& Q.M.G.,

Military District No.6.,.

Halifax. N.S.,

HEADQUARTERS
ALDERSHOT CAMP
AUG 30 1916
HQA.C. No.

Lieut.Ralph Douglas Reid., 14th.K.C.H.
85th.Overseas Battalion.C.E.F.

Sir,

I have the honour, by direction, to report, and to recommend for favourable consideration, the application of the O.C., 85th.Bn., through the O.C., N.S.H.Brigade, that the Officer named in the margin be appointed Provisional Lieutenant in the 85th.Bn., to complete the establishment.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Major.,

D.A.A.G., Aldershot Camp. N.S

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Ottawa, May 9, 1917.

DEPT. MILITIA & DEFENCE MAY 10 1917 CANADA

338-15-81

A. J. Reid,
Milford Station,
Hants, N. S.
c/o.

AUU-136

Deeply regret inform you Lieutenant Ralph Douglas Reid, infantry, officially reported killed in action, May fifth, nineteen-seventeen.

Officer i/c Records.

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BURIAL REPORT.

DEPT. OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
DEC 27 1917
CANADA
338-15-81

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UNIT	85th. Canadian Battalion.
REGIMENTAL No.	--------
RANK	Lieut.
NAME	REID. R. D.
DATE AND NATURE OF CASUALTY	5-5-17. KILLED IN ACTION.
WHERE BURIED	¾ mile N.W.of Vimy. 3¼ miles S.S.W. of Lens, France.
NUMBER OF GRAVE	Not Yet Advised.
MARKING OF GRAVE	Temporary Wooden Memorial erected with all particulars of the deceased inscribed thereon.
REFERENCE	R.L.9-R-28/GR3/LH.

N.B. - ALL COMMUNCATIONS REGARDING THIS REPORT SHOULD QUOTE THE ABOVE NUMBER.

EXTRACTED FROM BURIAL RECORDS, CANADIAN RECORD OFFICE, LONDON.

November 27th, 1917.

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FOR OFFICER 1/C RECORDS, O.M F.C.

NOT CHARGED
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