

Original

ATTESTATION PAPER.

No. 160242

Folio.

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.

(ANSWERS).

1. What is your name?..... Richard Choules
2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born?..... London, England
3. What is the name of your next-of-kin?..... George Choules (father)
4. What is the address of your next-of-kin?..... Bewley Cottage, South Hill, Guildford Surrey England
5. What is the date of your birth?..... December 10, 1886
6. What is your Trade or Calling?..... Wireworker
7. Are you married?..... No
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated?..... and inoculated R.C. 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

Richard Choules (Signature of Man).
A. Davison (Signature of Witness).

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, Richard Choules, do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions 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.

Richard Choules (Signature of Recruit)

Date Sept. 23 1918 A. Davison (Signature of Witness)

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, Richard Choules, 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.

Richard Choules (Signature of Recruit)

Date Sep. 23 1918 A. Davison (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 Calgary this 23rd day of Sept. 1918.

Geo. W. Moffitt (Signature of Justice)

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Attestation of the above-named Recruit.

Geo. W. Moffitt (Approving Officer)

Description of Richard Choules on Enlistment.

Apparent Age 29 years.....months.
 (To be determined according to the instructions given in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.)

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.)

Height..... 5 ft. 9 ins.

Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded..... 34 1/2 ins.
 Range of expansion..... 1 1/2 ins.

Complexion..... Dark

Eyes..... Grey

Hair..... Black

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

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..... Sep. 23.....191 5

Charles James

Place..... Calgary

Capt.
 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.

.....Richard Choules.....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.

[Signature].....(Signature of Officer)
 Commanding 82nd Ovr. Co.

Date..... Sep. 23.....191 5

Taken from Lining
12-4-1914.

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Perforated sheet for Will from Pay Book of Reg.

No. 160242

Name Richard Choules

Unit 54th Battalion

Military Will.

In the event of my death I give the whole of my property & effects to my Mother.

Mrs Matilda Elkins
Pewley Cottage
South Hill
England Guildford
Surrey

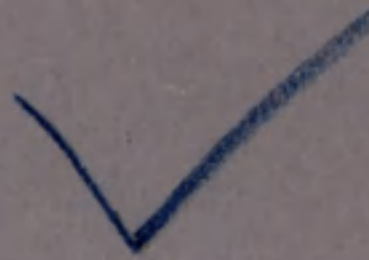
Signature Richard Choules

Rank and Regt. Private 54th Batt

Date September 10th / 16

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DEC 5 1919
MILITIA DEPT.



DUPLICATE

160242 ✓

MEDICAL HISTORY SHEET.

Surname

Shoules

Christian Name

Richard

Examined { on 22 day of Sept. 1915
 at Calgaru
 Birthplace { City or Town London
 County England

Approved by

Chas Davis

Rank

Capt

M.O.

Apparent age 29

Trade or occupation Wire worker

Height 5 Feet 7 Inches

Weight 145 Lbs

Chest measurement { Minimum 33 inches

Maximum expansion 34 1/2 inches

Physical development Fair

Small-Pox Marks

Vaccination Marks { Arm Right Left
Number Two

When Vaccinated last Childhood

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease None

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection None Child

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.
9/12/15		Chas Davis M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.

Date.	Result.	ANTI-TYPHOID INOCULATIONS, ETC.
05/9/15		Chas Davis M.O.
8/10/15		Chas Davis M.O.
		M.O.

Enlisted on 23 day of Sept. 1915 at Calgaru

	CORPS.	REG'TL NUMBER.	HABITS.	DATE.
Joined on enlistment	82nd Coy	160242		Sept. 23, 1915
Transferred to				

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.

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Richard Choules
th
54 Battalion

Military Will.

In the event of my
death I give the whole
of my property and effects
to my Mother.

^{rs}
M. Matilda Elkins

Powley Cottage

South Hill

Guilford

Surrey

England

Richard Choules
th
Private 54 batt
th
September 10 /16

NOTE. Page 30 extracted from X₁-Book
Taken from living 12-4-;7
Holograph

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

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Regiment or Corps 82nd Battalion C E F Regimental Number 160242

Rank Pte Surname Choules Christian Name Richard

Religion C of E Age on Enlistment 29 years --- months.

Enlisted (a) 23-9-15 Terms of Service (a) D of W Service reckons from (a) 23-9-15

Date of promotion to present rank _____ Date of appointment to lance rank _____

Extended { _____ } Re-engaged { _____ } Qualification (b) _____
or Corps Trade and Rate Wireworker

Signature of Officer i/c Records.

Date	Report		Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
	Date	From whom received			
			Embarked <u>Halifax 20-5-15</u>		
			Disembarked... <u>Liverpool 30-5-15</u>		
<u>8-7-16</u>		<u>82nd Battalion Transf to 9th Res Bn</u>	<u>St. Martins Plain</u>		<u>Auth CMC Letter 7-7-15 (B.O. 190.)</u>
		<u>drafted to 54th Batta. CEF. France.</u>		<u>20-8-16. B.O. 253</u>	
				<u>A.A. Adjutant,</u>	
				<u>9th Res. Bn.</u>	
<u>21. 8. 16</u>	<u>OC. C.B. 11</u>	<u>Taken on strength of 54th Bⁿ</u>	<u>In the field</u>	<u>21. 8. 16</u>	<u>N.R. C.B. 11 +</u>
					<u>3rd N^o 226 31. 8. 16</u>
<u>5. 9. 16</u>	<u>do</u>	<u>left to join unit</u>	<u>do</u>	<u>5. 9. 16</u>	<u>N.R.</u>
<u>9. 9. 16</u>	<u>of unit</u>	<u>joined unit</u>	<u>do</u>	<u>9. 9. 16</u>	<u>B 213</u>
<u>25-11-16</u>	<u>do</u>	<u>Evacuated Wounded</u>	<u>do</u>	<u>18-11-16</u>	<u>B 213 11/19/16</u>

(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) Signaller, Shoeing-smith, &c.

CERTIFIED CORRECT.

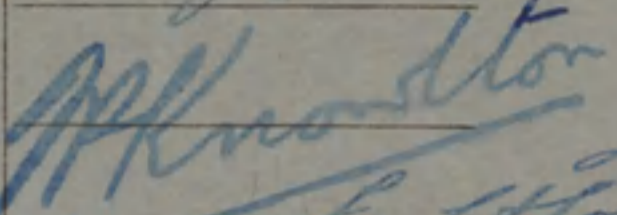
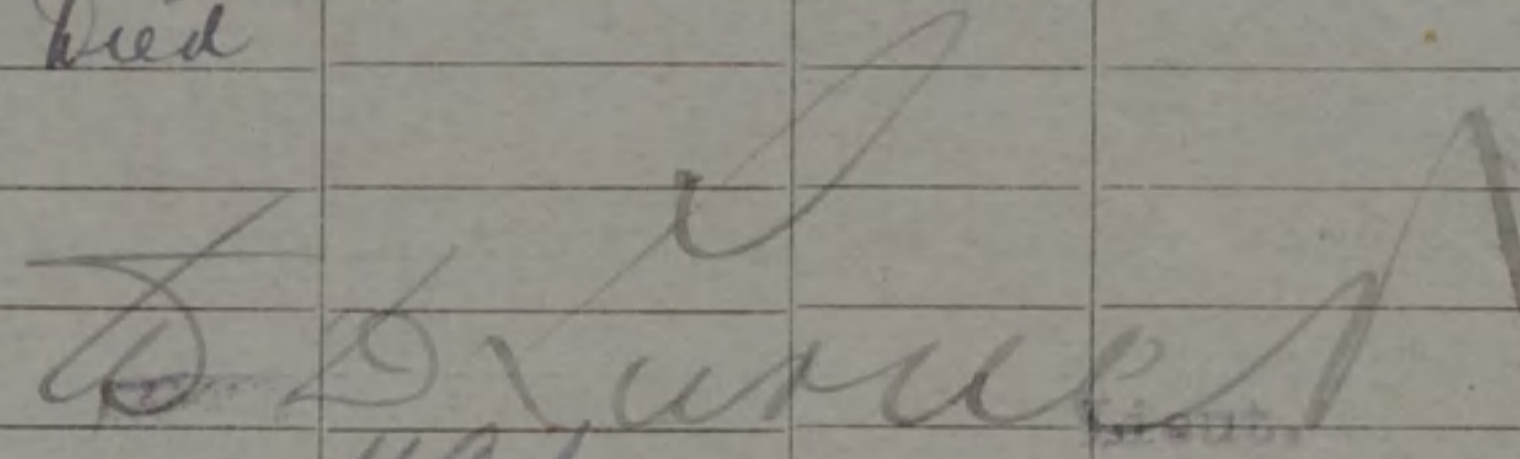
28 AUG. 1916

CAN. RECORDS, LONDON

SM 10-1-17

160242

Charles R.

Date	Report From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., 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 of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
15-1-17	54th Bn.	"Missing"	Field	18-11-16	Letter No 10 of 22-1-17 all & file 4316/2735
					 M. Knowlton Lieut La 2401 etc. 17
16.6.17	54 th Bn.	Previously reptd Missing now for Official purposes presumed to have died on or since	Field	18-11-16.	CLA 238.
					 D. Brunel Lieut. H.P. 2/c Records, G.B.F. O.M.F.C.

MISSING MAN.

(Acceptance of Death for Official Purposes.)

War Office Reference No. ~~XXXXXXXX~~ 25-C-3051.

THE DEPUTY ADJUTANT-GENERAL,

G.H.Q., 3RD ECHELON.

Canadian Section.

No. 160242. Rank Private. Name Charles R

Regiment 54th Canadian Battalion. has been missing since

18th Nov 1916.

Reference has been made to the Unit, the Record Office and the Base, on the printed missing list, but no evidence of material value has been received which would indicate that he is not dead.

In accordance with the decision of the Army Council, this soldier is to be regarded for official purposes as having died on or since the above date.

You are requested to state whether the soldier leaves a will or not—

Reply.

(a) In Pay Book ;

(b) In Small Book ;

(c) As a separate document ;

Not received

and to forward it, if found, to this Office.

The Pay Book and the duplicate copy of this form should be forwarded to the Regimental Paymaster.

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O.S.B.

S.A.G.
Capt. for Lt.-Col., A. A. G.

Canadian Section, G. H. Q. 3rd Echelon, B. E. F. Records,

3rd Echelon.

WAR OFFICE,

~~XXXXXXXX~~
Date



May be known as "Richard William Colkins" (see R.L. 25-C-2506)

TLH. Rank *Pte.* Name *CHOULES, Richard.* Reg'l No. 160242.
 Unit 82ND BN If in perm. Corps, } Married or Single *Single*
 What Unit? }
 Place and Date of Enlistment *Calgary, Alta 23 Sept. 1915* - Place of Birth *London, Eng.*
 Name and Address, Next-of-Kin *George Choules*
Pewley Cottage, South Hill, Guildford Relationship *Father*
Surrey, Eng.
 Assigned Pay Monthly \$ Payable to *R 139-50.*
 Relationship *R.L. 25-C-2506.*
 Separation Allowance \$ Payable to *N/E R.B. 6*
 Relationship

*MT
25/1/16*

Discharge, Date and Place Reason Character

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.				
			<i>Empress of Britain</i>		
			<i>29 MAY 1916</i>		
<i>26.6.16</i>	<i>O.C. 82nd Bn.</i>	<i>Arrived in England. Forfeits 2 days pay A.W.S. 10p.m. 24.6.16 to 9p.m. 25.6.16</i>	<i>Liverpool</i>	<i>26.6.16</i>	<i>St. II S.O. 178</i>
<i>8.7.16</i>	<i>82nd Bn</i>	<i>S.O.S. to 9th Res Bn</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>8.7.16</i>	<i>Ph II DO 190.</i>
<i>9.7.16</i>	<i>9th Res. Bn.</i>	<i>Taken on strength.</i>	<i>Shorncliffe</i>	<i>8.7.16</i>	<i>St. II S.O. 191</i>
<i>20.8.16</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>Struck off to 54th Bn</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>20.8.16</i>	<i>" " 233</i>
<i>31.8.16.</i>	<i>54th Bn</i>	<i>S.O.S. from the 9th Res. Bn</i>	<i>In the Field</i>	<i>21.8.16</i>	<i>" " 226</i>
<i>9.12.16</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Rptd from Base. Wounded</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>18.11.16</i>	<i>Wounded. Det A 85.</i>
<i>22-1-17</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Rptd Missing after Action</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>18.11.16</i>	<i>Ph II DO. 10.</i>
<i>27-1-17.</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Previously Reported Wounded, now Rptd. missing</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>18.11.16</i>	<i>Det A 124.</i>
<i>16.6.17</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Pres. rep'd missing Now for Official purposes presumed to have Died on or since.</i>		<i>18.11.16</i>	<i>C.I.A. 238.</i>

A.F.B. 103 CHECKED
25 AUG. 1916
Mace

Surname

Christian Name or Names

Reg. No.

Rank **Choules**

Unit

R.

Co.

Troop **160242**

Pte
Hospital

54th Bn

Date of Admission

Transferred

Hosp.

Hosp.

Hosp.

Hosp.

A.M.D. 2 DEPT.

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

Diagnosis

(1)
Later Diagnosis (if changed)

(2)

(3)

Additional Diagnosis: if more than one state present.

P.R. M. Now for Off. purposes presumed to

have Died on or since 18-11-16 *HP*

DISPOSITION

Date

9-12-16. A85 R.F.B. Wd. 18-11-16.

C.L. 16-6-17. A238

REMARKS

EPITOME OF HOSPITAL TREATMENT.

Hospital

Adm.

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

for correct 649-C-14221

SURNAME.

Choules see Elkins

CARD NO.

Richard

CHRISTIAN NAMES

Richard

D
FOLL.

REGL. No.

160242

RANK

Pte.

UNIT

82nd

Batt.

FORMER CORPS

nil.

NEXT OF KIN.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NAMES IN FULL

Choules George

RELATIONSHIP TO SOLDIER

Father

ADDRESS

Bewley Cottage, South Hill
Guildford, Surrey Eng

COUNTRY OF BIRTH

England London

DATE

N.S.

PLACE OF ATTESTATION

Calgary, Alta.

DATE

Sept. 23. 1915

Q/8 20-5-16 ⁴²³/₄

Sailed from Halifax per S.S. "Empress of Britain" 20/5/16.

MARRIED

SINGLE

WIDOWER

TRADE OR CALLING

Fireworker

RELIGION

C. of E.

DESCRIPTION.

APPARENT AGE

29

YEARS

MONTHS

HEIGHT

5

FEET

7

INCHES

CHEST MEASUREMENT

34½

INCHES

EXPANSION

1½

INCHES

COMPLEXION

Dark

EYES

Grey

HAIR

Black

DISTINGUISHING MARKS

nil.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

PLACE

Calgary, Alta.

DATE

Sept. 23. 1916

No. 160242

RANK Pte

NAME

Charles R.

Charles Richard

T. O. S. 23-9-15
(D.O. 50 of 23-9-15)

UNIT

82nd Battalion

M. D. 13

PAID FROM	PAID TO	SIG. OR REC'T	PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, DISCHARGES, ETC.	
			PARTICULARS	AUTHORITY
1915 Sept 23	1915 Sept 30	✓		
	Nov	✓	forf. 5 days pay	D.O. 110 of 22-11-15
	Dec	✓	" 3 " "	D.O. 138 of 20-12-15
1916 Jan	1916 Feb	✓	" 3 " "	D.O. 6 of 6-1-16
	Mar	✓	" 4 " "	D.O. 82 of 22-3-16
	Apr	O.S.	" 7 " "	" " 101 of 4-16
	May	✓	absent from 23-4-16 } forfeits 2 days' pay	D.O. 117 of 5-16

UNIT SAILED

MAY 20 1916

SP

Name **CHOULES.** Rank **Pte.**
 Richard.

Pte.

Reg. No. 160242

Unit 54th Battalion.

P.L. 256 2506

Guilford. Surrey.

Next of Kin Mr. G. Choules. Pewley Cottage. South Hill.

Date 1916	Movement	Place	Casualty	List No.	Notified N/K O.	W.O. List
18-11	Reported from Base		MISSING.	A124.	08070.	27-1
					26-1.	
May 17	Next of Kin					
May 30	Captured X. D.F.R.S.					
18-11-16	Presumed dead		A 298			16/6/17

REGT'L NO 160242

H. Q. FILE NO. 649-

NAME

Charles Richard

RANK AND CORPS

Ato. 54th Bn. Form 82nd Bn

FOLLOWS

No.

FOLLOWS

CABLE

NATURE OF CASUALTY

No.

DATE

06092

8-12-16

Reported wounded Nov. 18th /16 ✓

08070

26-1-17

Prev. rep. wounded now reported missing
Nov. 18th 1916. ✓

A 2 B

20900

18-6-17

Prev. rep. missing now for official
purposes presumed to have died
Nov. 18th 1916 (noted 29-8-17)

LIST No	HOSPITAL	DATE OF ADMISSION	REMARKS
A85-1	Rep from base	18-11-16	Wounded ♀.
A124 ⁰⁰	Rep. from Base. Prev. rep.		wounded now reported missing 18-11-16
A238	Prev Rep missing to have died on or since	18-11-16	now for official papers

Name **CHOULES, Richard** Rank Pte.

Reg. No. 160242

Unit 54th Battalion.

R25-C-2506

Next of Kin **Geo. Choules, Pewley Cottage, South Hill Guildford**^d

Date	Movement	Place	Casualty	List No.	Notified N/K O.	W.O. List
1916						
18-11	Reported from Base		Wounded	A85.06092	8-12 9-12	
18-11	Reported from Base		MISSING.	A124.0.8070.27-	26-1.	
18-11	Now for Official purposes have Died on or since		presumed to	A238	15-6	16-6

X ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
Choules. R., Pte. 160242 54th Bn. 649-C-14221

Med. & Dec. (Mother) Mrs. M. Elkins.
Pewley Cottage.,
South Hill. Guildford.
Surrey. England.

P. & S. (Father) George Elkins. Esq.,
Address as above.

Mem. Cross. (Mother) Address as above.

56620

*not eligible for star.
E. fig. " D.M.
m.f. E. fig. " B.W.M.*

Correct name "Elkins".

Serial No. 71922

APR 7 1922

Regimental No. P 34795



Not eligible for Star

649-C-14221

#160242, Pte. R. CHOULES
(alias) R. Wm. Elkins,
address of Legatee

54th Bn. 3879

Medals & Decorations

Mrs. Matilda Elkins (m)
Pembly Cottage, South Hill
Guildford, England

17/10/21

Name & Address of Next of Kin

Serial No 772793

Geo. Elkins (F)

Scroll No 28-1-21 Regn. No 2-14712

APR - 7 1922 Regn. No P34295

P? & S.

Name & Address of Female Next of Kin

Mrs. Matilda Elkins (m)

Desp APR 26 1920 66055

Memorial Cross
784

PTO. U

W

MS

This man's name was Richard W^m
 Elkins, according to a form completed by
 his father. "Charles" was an assumed name.

Number 160242 Rank *Pte.*

Surname CHOULES

Christian Name Richard

Unit 54th Br. Gen. Inf. Theatre of War. France

Date of Service 20-8-16

Remarks

Latest Address Mrs. Matilda Elkins (m)
Lewley Cottage, South Hill

Roll No. *B. Page #379* Guildford
England

B
V

D

921612 Trip

1912

See Richard Charles *D* $\frac{18}{11/16}$

Surname *Elkine* H. Q.
Christian names *Richard* M. D. No.
Regtl. No. *160 242* Rank *Ote* T. O. S. 19
Unit *82nd Bn.* S. O. S. 19
Reason
Auth.

Next of kin *Charles, George* Relationship *father*
Address *Pewley Cottage* Also notify:
South Hill, Guildford
Surrey, Eng.

BORN—Place *England, London* Date *Dec. 10th 1886*
ATTESTED—Place *Calgary, Alta.* Date *Sept. 29th /15*
O/S *20-5-16* $\frac{473}{4}$ R/C.

