

Capt. E. S. Ayre

C.R. 0-91

P. & R.O.



1st Field Camp.
Arenkhowe
near Hawick

May 15/15

MAY 15 1915

MAY 15 1915

Dear Capt- Tunwell

Enclosed please find statement
of £10 ^s 0 0 received from Capt-
Montgomery before departure of B. Co.
from St. John's Apr. 22nd/15. Same
was handed to me for expenses during
transportation. The balance to be paid
to you. Kindly send receipt for the
£6 ^s 0 5 and oblige.

Had a rotten day yesterday
to come into camp, nearly all lands
fot soaked. Snowed last night -
all hills covered with snow. 9^o-day
has gradually cleared up. Please

excuse pencil. Hope you arrived
safely in London.

I remain

Yours sincerely

Eric S. Hays



Statement of Money received in St. John's for use of I. Co during transportation

Amt. Recd.			Expenditure	£ s d.		
£	s	d.		£	s	d.
10	0	0	at Halifax			
			W & a Gates for Drum			
			Head & Sticks 3.00 +			
			Cable to Governor .86			
			Clyde Davidson & Co. .90 +		19	7
			(Stationery)			
			Chief Steward 3 rd Saloon	1	0	0
			s/s Miss Annie - Exp.			
			Cable to Governor from Liverpool	1	4	0
			Motor Taxis from St. John's to			
			Hawick's back (7 to 8 miles)		14	0
			Station Posters at St. John's		2	0
			Cash Returned to Capt. Inwood	6	0	5
			May. 11/15			
£ 10	0	0		£ 10	0	0

+ B.P. attached

Sgt. Eric S. S. Capt.

Terms Cash.

CITY MUSIC STORE, 111 GRANVILLE ST.,

MUSIC SPECIALLY ORDERED
CANNOT BE EXCHANGED
OR RETURNED.

Halifax, N. S.,

April 24

1915

To

W. & A. GATES,

Dr.

IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN

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PHONOGRAPHS & RECORDS. MUSIC STOOLS & MUSIC STANDS, ETC.

Dealers in GENERAL MUSICAL MERCHANDISE. PIANOS and ORGANS TUNED and REPAIRED.

To Drum Head

2 50

" ~~Sheet~~

50

Paid April 24 1915

W & A Gates

P. O. Box 914

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DAVIDSON BUILDING 137-143 BARRINGTON ST.

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Address

2 files @ 30	60
1 blue pens.	10
1 drawing pen	20
	<u>90</u>

Paid

1

For P/J.

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Statement of Account of **Capt. Eric S. Ayre**

From **22nd April 1915** to **14th May 1915** (both days inclusive)
 (date of embarkation)
 Ledger Folio No.

Date	Particulars	No. of Days	Rate per Day	Amount		Dr.			Cr.			
				\$	c.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
	Cr.											
	Pay	23	3 00	69	00							
	Field Allowance	23	75	17	25							
	Kit "			150	00							
	Mess " from 3rd May	12	5/6						3	6	0	
	@ \$ 4.86 $\frac{2}{3}$...		\$	236	25				48	10	9	
	Dr.											
May 15	Deposit BANK OF MONTREAL, WATERLOO PLACE, LONDON, S.W.					51	16	9				
	PAY & RECORD OFFICE, 58, VICTORIA STREET, LONDON, S.W.,											
	28th May, 1915					£	51	16	9	51	16	9

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1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Statement of Account of **Capt. E.S. Ayre,**

From 4/9/15

to 1/10/15

(both days inclusive)

Ledger Folio No.

Date	Particulars	No. of Days	Rate per Day	Amount		Dr.			Cr.			
				\$	c.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
	Cr.											
	Pay	28	300	84	00							
	Field Allowance	28	75	21	00							
	Mess "								5	12	0	
	@ \$ 4.86 $\frac{2}{3}$...		\$	105	00				21	11	6	
	Dr.											
Oct. 1	Deposit BANK OF MONTREAL, WATERLOO PLACE, LONDON, S.W.					27	3	6				
	PAY & RECORD OFFICE, 58, VICTORIA STREET, LONDON, S.W., 14th October 1915											
						£	27	3	6	27	3	6

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Statement of Account of **Capt. E. S. Ayre**From **1/10/15**to **24/12/15**

(both days inclusive)

Ledger Folio No.

Date	Particulars	No. of Days	Rate per Day	Amount		Dr.			Cr.		
				\$	c.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Cr.										
	Pay	84	3 00	252	00						
	Field Allowance	84	75	63	00						
	Mess "	84	4/-						16	16	0
	@ \$ 4.86 $\frac{2}{3}$...		\$	315	00				64	14	6
	Dr.										
Oct. 29	Deposit BANK OF MONTREAL, WATERLOO PLACE, LONDON, S.W.					27	3	6			
Nov. 26	"					27	3	6			
Dec. 24	"					27	3	6			
	PAY & RECORD OFFICE, 58, VICTORIA STREET, LONDON, S.W., 27, December, 1915.										
	Checked by <i>Ye</i> £					81	10	6	81	10	6 ✓

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Statement of Account of Capt. E. S. Ayre

From 25/12/15

to 21/1/16

(both days inclusive)

Ledger Folio No.

Date	Particulars	No. of Days	Rate per Day	Amount		Dr.			Cr.		
				\$	c.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Cr.										
	Pay	28	3 00	84	00						
	Field Allowance	28	75	21	00						
	Mess "	28	4/-						5	12	0
	@ \$ 4.86 $\frac{2}{3}$...		\$	105	00				21	11	6
	Dr.										
Jan. 21	Deposit BANK OF MONTREAL, WATERLOO PLACE, LONDON, S.W.					27	3	6			
	PAY & RECORD OFFICE, 58, VICTORIA STREET, LONDON, S.W., 5, February, 1916.										
	Checked by <i>gc</i>					£ 27	3	6	27	3	6

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Statement of Account of **Capt. E.S. Ayre.**

From **22/1/16**

to

18/2/16

(both days inclusive)

Ledger Folio No.

Date	Particulars	No. of Days	Rate per Day	Amount		Dr.			Cr.		
				\$	c.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Cr.										
	Pay	28	3 00	84	00						
	Field Allowance	28	75	21	00						
	Mess "	28	4/-						5	12	0
	@ \$ 4.86 ² / ₃ ...			\$	105 00				21	11	6
	Dr.										
Feb 18	Deposit BANK OF MONTREAL, WATERLOO PLACE, LONDON, S.W.					23	1	6			
Nov 9/15	Web Equipment					4	2	0			
	PAY & RECORD OFFICE, 58, VICTORIA STREET, LONDON, S.W., February 29th, 1916										
	Checked by <i>AC</i> £ 27 5 6								27	5	6

Capt. E.S. Ayre.

19/2/16

17/3/16.

28 3 00 84 00

28 75 21 00

28 4/-

5 12 0

195 00

21 11 0

Mar.17.

27 3 6

March 20, 16.

730

27 3 6 27 3 6

Late Capt. E.S. Ayre.

10/6/16

7/7/16 = 28 days

Killed in Action 1/7/16. Casualty Report received 6/7/16

28 3.00 84.00

28 .75 21.00

28 4/- 5 12 0

105.00

21 11 6

July 7

27 3 6

1st November, 6

27 3 6 27 3 6



duplicate

1st. Newfoundland Regiment

St. John's, Nfld., Apr. 22 1915

Received from Paymaster, Headquarters, the sum of £10, on account
expenses "E" Company (\$48.66)

Eric Shyne Capt

ORIGINAL.

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

MEMORANDUM.

No. 13. _____

From

PAY & RECORD OFFICE.

58, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

13th May, 1915.

To

The Manager,

Bank of Montreal,

9, Waterloo Place,

Pall Mall, S.W.

SUBJECT: CAPT. ERIC S. AYRE.

REPLY.

Dated

191

Reference Nos.

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE.

At the request and on behalf of Capt. Eric S. Ayre, at present with the Contingent at Stob's Camp, Hawick, Scotland; I shall be glad if you will open an account as in the cases of the other Officers, furnishing him with Cheque and Pass Book.

I enclose specimen signature, and will make a deposit to his credit in a day or two.

H. S. Maxwell Capt.
Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

For BANK OF MONTREAL,
9 WATERLOO PLACE, PALL MALL.
[Signature]
Accountant.



13.

The Manager,
Bank of Montreal,
9, Waterloo Place,
Pall Mall, S.W.

13th May, 5.

CAPT. ERIC S. AYRE.

At the request and on behalf of
Capt. Eric S. Ayre, at present with
the Contingent at Stob's Camp,
Hawick, Scotland; I shall be glad
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furnishing him with Cheque and
Pass Book.

I enclose specimen signature,
and will make a deposit to his
credit in a day or two.

Capt.

Paymaster & C. i/c Records.

17th May, 5.

12th inst,

Imprest, £10.0.0, issued to you at
Headquarters, St. John's, together with statement thereof,
and I enclose receipt for £6.0.5 received by me.

Capt.

Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

Capt. Eric S. Ayre,
Newfoundland Contingent,
Stob's Camp,
Hawick, Scotland.

ORIGINAL

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

MEMORANDUM.



No. 2.

From
PAY & RECORD OFFICE,
58, VICTORIA STREET,
LONDON, S.W.
21st May, 1915.

To
Capt. E. S. Ayre,
Newfoundland Contingent,
Stob's Camp,
Hawick, Scotland.

SUBJECT: LETTER FROM ADJUTANT,
ST. JOHN'S TO ME, 22/4/15, ATTACHED.
Reference Nos.

REPLY.

Dated

May 25th 1915

Please return **ORIGINAL** and retain **DUPLICATE**.

With reference to above, please let me know the amount, or amounts, requisitioned for by you through the Adjutant, which apply to the month ended 23/4/15, to enable me to verify what is chargeable to Headquarters, in manner contemplated in the Adjutant's, St. Johns, letter

The amount requisitioned for to pay E.C. for the month ending 23/4/15 was £ 365. 14. 5¹/₄.

After the paying out of said amount, it was found that there was £1.0.0 (one pound) unclaimed.

The mistake was made either in calling out the amounts or in the paying, it is thought that it happened during the former.

No. 1244 Pte P.S. Kelly had been stopped £ 0. 14. 10³/₄ previous to pay day, which amount had been deducted in requisition. Since, it has been found that he is entitled to the 14. 10²/₄ and has been paid from the surplus £1.0.0²/₄.

E. S. Ayre Capt.
Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

This therefore leaves an unclaimed balance of five shillings and two pence (£0. 5. 2) for which I enclose a cheque.

The original amount requisitioned for is therefore reduced to £ 365. 9. 3¹/₄.

Both pay sheets will be forwarded to St. John's office this week, as requested by Capt. Montgomery.

Kindly forward receipt.

E. S. Ayre Capt.



ORIGINAL

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

MEMORANDUM.

No. 3.

From
PAY & RECORD OFFICE,
58, VICTORIA STREET,
LONDON, S.W.
22nd. July, 1915.

To
Capt. E. S. Ayre,
Tower Hotel,
Hawick,
Scotland.

SUBJECT: BINOCULARS.

REPLY

Dated

July 24th

1915

Reference Nos.

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE.

Please inform me if you have drawn Binoculars, and if so, the Maker's name and number.

I have not drawn glasses as I have my own private Binoculars and therefore will not require a Regimental Issue.

H. S. Maxwell
Capt.

Paymaster & O. 1/c Records.

E. S. Ayre



MEMORANDUM.

From Pay & Record Office
London.
To Capt S. S. Ayre.
Depot
Scots. Contingent

From
To

ANSWER.

Sept 10. 1915.

Sept. 13th 1915.

Ref. allotment
N. 7. Forms
K. 81 and 82

Enclosed please
find triplicate forms
of K81 and 82

Copies of these
were sent to New-
foundland last week
and have probably gone
down on the "Hesperian".

Please forward
duplicate copies
at once so that they
may be forwarded in
turn to head quarters
St. John's, by "Durango"
leaving England on the
14th inst.

MA

for Captain and
Officer in Charge,
H.A.S.
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1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	679
Rec'd.	SEP 14 1915
Ack'd.	
Ans'd.	
File No.	



ORIGINAL FIELD SERVICE.



C.R. 700590/2419/a

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 documentary sources.

Unit) 1st. Newfoundland Regiment.

Rank) Captain.

Name) Ayre, E.S.

DIED	By whom reported	O.O. Unit.
	Date of Death	July 1st., 1916.
	Place or hospital	In the Field, France.
	Cause of death	Killed in Action.
	Place of burial	Not yet received.

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 is 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. J. Clark
for
Lieut. Colonel,
Officer i/c Infy Sections,
Adjutant General's Office at the Base.

General Headquarters, 3rd. Echelon.

Date) 26/7/16.



The Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,
Newfoundland Contingent,
56, Victoria Street,
London, S.W.

In consideration of your allowing me to take possession of the following named Articles said to be the Property of the late Capt. G. S. Ayre
1 Camp Valise } Contents Not Known.
1 bundle }

I, my Heirs and Assigns, hereby hold you harmless and agree to indemnify You, or Your Successors, and/or the Newfoundland Government against all Claims whatsoever may arise in direct or indirect consequence of the aforesaid action.

Janet M. Ayre

Relationship or Authority Wife

Dated at London
7th September 1916

Witness: G. Wright

Army Form C. 348.

No. 116

MEMORANDUM.

From **The O.C.
2/1st Newfoundland Regiment,
Ayr.**

To **The Paymaster
1st Newfoundland Regiment,
London, S.W.**

From **Paymaster, London.**

To **O.C., 2/1 Newfoundland Regiment,
Newton-on-Ayr.**

ANSWER.

1916.

Racecourse

May 12th 1916

Reference advance of Field Allowance.

Please note that Capt. E. Ayre has this day been warned to hold himself in readiness to proceed on service with the 1st Battalion.

H. F. G. Smith ADJUTANT,
2nd/1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT,
NEWTON-ON-AYR, N.B.

For O.C.

Pay & Record Office,

15, May, 1916.

Noted. Capt. Ayre called today and stated that he did not desire the advance, therefore in this instance it has not been paid.

H. F. G. Smith

Capt.

Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

1st N. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	1823
Rec'd.	MAY 15 1916
Ac'd.	
Ans'd.	
File No.	

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Messrs. Fortnum & Mason, ¹⁴²

Piccadilly,

HAA/NW

24th May, 6

W.

EQUIPMENT

Please send to:

Capt. E.S. Ayre,

1/1 Newfoundland Regt.,

B.E.F., France,

A web equipment pouch for
revolver,

and "A revolver cord" (lanyard)

and charge to the account of

this Office. Please render

bill in duplicate.

Capt.,

Paymaster & O. i/o Records.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

MEMORANDUM.

No. 1984/1.

From

PAY & RECORD OFFICE.

58, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

25, May, 1916.

To

Capt. E. S. Ayre,

1/1 Newfoundland Regiment,

B. E. F.

SUBJECT: YOUR LETTER 19/5/16 (1611)**REPLY**

Dated

30. 5. 16

191

Reference Nos.

Please return **ORIGINAL** and retain **DUPLICATE.**

Mailed you this day:-

1, Webley & Scott Revolver.

Fortnum & Mason requested to mail
you direct:-

1, Revolver Pouch (Web),

1, " Lanyard.

Kindly acknowledge hereon.

R. A. M. M. M. M. M.
Capt.

Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

My visit postponed having a few days rest-
since die - hence then out of the line. Weather
by post. Kind regards. *W. H. G.*

All articles received
with thanks.

Eric Shyette

Very sorry you have
not been able to get over
to see us. You certainly
would find it quite
interesting. We are now
having a few days rest-
since die - hence then out of the line. Weather
by post. Kind regards. *W. H. G.*

NEWFOUNDLAND	17
PAY & RECORDS	
Ref. No. 1724	
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Dis'd.	
File No.	

FORTNUM & MASON

BY APPOINTMENT TO
H.M.KING GEORGE V.

REGENT 41.



BY APPOINTMENT

182, PICCADILLY,

LONDON, W.

25th May, 1916.

M.J.

Captain N. A. Timewell,
Paymaster & O.i/c Records,
Newfoundland Contingent,
58, Victoria Street,
S.W.

Sir,

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your valued order to be dispatched, without delay, to the address given.

Thanking you for the same and assuring you of our best services.

We remain,

Your obedient servants,

p.p. FORTNUM & MASON, LTD

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message _____

Prefix _____	Code _____	m. _____	Words _____	Charge _____	This message is on a/c of: _____	Recd. at _____	m. _____
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent _____				Date _____
			At _____	m. _____	Service _____	From _____	
			To _____			By _____	
			By _____		(Signature of "Franking Officer.") _____		

TO	Mrs.	E.	S.	Ayre
	Rodney.	House		
	39	Bedford	Square	W.C.

Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
113			

Painful	duty	to	inform	you
Captain	E.	S.	Ayre	killed
in	action	lat.	July.	Synoptical.

From _____			
Place _____			
Time _____			

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

Censr. _____ Signature of Addressor or person authorized to telegraph in his name

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			Service.	Date	
			At	m.			From	
			To		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By		
			By					

TO	Mrs.	E.	S.	Ayre
	Rodney	House	Square	W.C.
	39	Bedford		

Sender's Number	Day of Month	In reply to Number	AAA
113			

Painful	duty	to	inform	you
Captain	E.	S.	Ayre	killed
in	action	1st.	July.	
			Synoptical.	

Capt. S. Ayre

From			
Place			
Time			

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

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* This line should be erased if not required.

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent			Service.	Date	
At			m.				From	
To							By	
By					(Signature of "Franking Officer.")			

TO { Mrs. Neal
Ryegate, Tapton Crescent Road
Sheffield.

Sender's Number 113	Day of Month 6, July, 1916.	In reply to Number	AAA
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Kindly	convey	following	to	Mrs.
Eric	Ayre	begins	painful	duty
to	inform	you	Captain	E.
S.	Ayre	killed	in	action
1st.	July.			
			Synoptical.	

From			
Place			
Time			

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent _____			Date _____	
			At _____	m.		From _____	
			To _____			By _____	

TO	Mrs.	Neal		
	Ryegate	Tapton	Crescent	Road
		Sheffield.		

Sender's Number 113	Day of Month 6, July, 1916.	In reply to Number	AAA
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Kindly	convey	following	to	Mrs.
Eric	Ayre	begins	painful	duty
to	inform	you	Captain	E.
S.	Ayre	killed	in	action
1st.	July.			

Synoptical.

Capt E. Ayre

From			
Place			
Time			

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.

(Z)

Censor.

Signature of Addressor or person authorized to telegraph in his name

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6th July,

6.

2627/1

Mrs. E. S. Ayre,
c/o ~~Mrs. A. Neal~~, *Rochey House,*
~~Tupton Crescent Road, 29, Bedford Sq.~~
Sheffield.

Madam,

It is my painful duty to inform you that a report has this day been received from the War Office notifying the fatality that has overtaken Captain E.S. Ayre, which has been conveyed to you by telegram in accordance with custom; and I am to express the deep sympathy and regret of the Newfoundland Government at your irreparable loss.

The report so far received reads:

"Capt. E.S. Ayre, 1st Newfoundland Regt., Killed in Action, 1/7/16."

X If articles or personal property of the late Capt. Ayre are found they will be forwarded to this Office, but some time may probably elapse before their receipt, and will naturally be subject to customary formalities concerning effects.

XX Application regarding the disposal of personal effects, or of any amount that may eventually be found due to the late Officer's Estate, should be addressed to this Office. X X

I have the honour to be,
Madam,
Your obedient servant,

Capt.,

Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

H.T./N.W.

11, July, 6.

2715/1.

To The
Keeper of the Privy Purse,
Buckingham Palace.

Sir,-

I have the honour to intimate that the following
report has been received from the War Office:-

Killed in Action July 1st. 1916:-

Ayre, Capt. E.S., 1st. Newfoundland Regiment.

The name and address of his next-of-kin is:-

Mrs. E.S. Ayre, (Wife),
Rodney House,
39, Bedford Square, W.C.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Capt.

Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

H.T./N.M.

ANGLO-AMERICAN


WESTERN UNION



DIRECT UNITED STATES

CABLEGRAM

D 270 CW.

No. <i>A 828/15</i>	Service Instructions. Via Anglo.	Time Received. <i>9.45a</i>	Receiving Office. <small>See back of Form for Telephone Number.</small>
Handed in at <i>St Johns Ry</i>		No. of Words. <i>25</i>	

No inquiry respecting this Message can be attended to without the production of this paper.

To

WEX

B. H. C. H.

Cas.

PON

BY: _____

DATE: _____

Linewell 58

Victoria Street

hdm

Please convey to sir Ralph Williams our heartfelt thanks for his kind message of ~~strong~~ sympathy.

Frederick and

Charles Ayre.

ST. N. W. POUNDLAND

PAY & RECORD

Ref. No. *2414*

Rec'd. *JUL 17 1916*

Acc'd. _____

Ans'd. _____

File No. _____

WEEK END CABLE LETTER.

Please hand your Reply direct to this Office.

419

17th July, 6.

2826/1

Sir Ralph Williams,
St. James's Club,
Piccadilly.

Sir,

I have the honour to repeat a cable message
which has been received from Newfoundland today:

"Timewell, 58 Victoria Street, London.
"Please convey to Sir Ralph Williams
"our heartfelt thanks for his kind message
"of sympathy.
Frederick and Charles Ayre."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

for Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

H.A./N.W.

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

To be folded as indicated, not to be placed in an envelope.

2817/1

Newfoundland Contingent,
Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria Street, London, S.W.
17th July, 6.

XX Madam,

14th instant,

the London address of Mrs. Chesley Ayre is:

Rodney House,
39, Bedford Square,
W.C.

This lady is at present in Ireland and her
address now is:

c/o Mrs. Boyd Campbell,
65, Great Victoria Street,
Belfast.

XX Madam,

Miss Cole,
10, Northumberland Ave., for Paymaster & O. i/c Records.
Putney,
S.W.



St. John's, N.B.

9 ⁸/₁₆.

The Officer in Charge Newfoundland Records
Sir. Effects.

Mrs. Eric Ayre, widow
of the late Capt. E. S. Ayre,
of the Newfoundland Regiment,
requests that all personal
effects of her late husband
be sent to the following
address

Mrs E. S. Ayre

39 Bedford Square.

London W.C.

No. 2903

AUG 10 1916

I am, Sir

Your obedient servant.

H. A. Anderson.

File No.

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Roll of Honor

War Office
Pexadilly



Map Cole of
to Northumberland Ave
Putney

would be glad to have the
London address of W. D. Ayre
of Newfoundland those 2
sons & 2 nephews have been
killed
July 14th

Answered
9/8/46
24/8/46

65 St. Victoria St.
Belfast

4: 5: 16.

Capt. J. Skrymgeour

Dear Hugh

When Eric's things
come to the Pay Office
please see that they
are not sent to Hfld.

I want them sent to
39 Bedford Sq. London,
I know you are busy
but I've been worrying
about their being sent
to Hfld. by mistake.

I wonder if you

have heard if ~~it~~ or
will ever be brought in.
It is awful not know-
ing any thing.

Please try & see that
his things are sent to
me.

yours sincerely
Janet Ayle.

Answers
personally
16.7.17.

Court Royal

Bournemouth.

11th January 1917.

Capt K. Stape

Dear Hugh -

I am returning the enclosed form to you and will call for Eric's commission when I return to town.

~~A~~ Captain rangs word that Eric had been found and buried. Can you tell me where? His identity disc must have been sent back to your office. I have been

wondering if his watch, or
ring or any of his
equipment, such as his
field glasses, have come
back. His glasses were
not a regimental issue.
As his palis which
came back in August was
wrongly addressed and
took so long to find these
things may have been
misdirected to. Of course
there may only be his disc,
I am sorry to be always
bothering you but you
have been so good in
looking after the other things

for me.

Mom and I came down
here for a fortnight last
Saturday. She needed a
change after Andrew's death.
Mrs Ayle and Ruby are
coming next Saturday.

I hope you are feeling
better than you looked when
I last saw you.

With best wishes for the
New Year in which Mom joins

Yours sincerely
Janet Ayle.

8th January, 7.

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Mrs. E. S. Ayre,
39, Bedford Square,
W.C.

Madam,

Commission

I beg to enclose N.F.P/32 and shall be glad if you will kindly indicate thereon instructions as to disposal of the Commission, and return the form intact to me.

I am,

Madam,

Your obedient servant,

Major,
Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

HT/NW

From - The Standing Committee of Adjustment,
General Headquarters,
3rd Echelon,
British Expeditionary Force.



A.G's. BRANCH, G.H.Q., 3RD ECHELON.	
Date.	24/12/17
No.	06214
Standing Committee of Adjustment.	

Base, 24th December, 1917.

Herewith for disposal please, Identity Disc,
taken from the body of the late Capt. E. S. AYRE, 1st Battn.
Newfoundland Regiment.

Apparently no other effects were recovered.

As the above by

Captain,
Staff Captain,
for the Standing Committee of Adjustment.

Messrs. Cox's Shipping Agency Ltd.,
16 Charing Cross,
S.W. 1.

W 27204

1st September, 7.

Messrs. J. & W. Smith, Accountants,
21, Newmarket Street,
Ayr, Scotland.

8969/1
HA/JC

Lieut. Ayre.

With reference to your letter to Lt.-Col. Whitaker dated 23/8/17 respecting an outstanding bill against the estate of the late "Lieut. Ayre": Any communication addressed in care of this Office will be duly forwarded if it is stated which "Lieut. Ayre" is referred to. There were two in the regiment and both are deceased.

2nd Lieut,
for Major,
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

The Paymaster

Newfoundland Contingent

London, S.W.

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT
PAY & RECORD OFFICE

Ref. No. 4713

Rec'd. ✓

Adm'd.



The attached is passed to you please.

Barry Camp
Forfarshire

August 24th/17.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'P. H. ...', written over a faint stamp.

COMMANDING, 2nd/1st N.F.L.D. REGT.
NEWTON-ON-AVR. N.B.

Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,
Newfoundland Contingent,
58 Victoria Street,
London, S.W.

J. & W. SMITH,
ACCOUNTANTS.

WILLIAM SMITH.

TELEPHONE NO. 40Y.

21, NEWMARKET STREET,
AYR.

4th September, 1917.

Dear Sir,

Late Lieut. Ayre.

We thank you for your letter of 1st inst., and shall be greatly obliged if you will kindly forward the enclosed communication to the representatives of the late Lieutenant Ayre, so that they may have an opportunity of writing us direct.

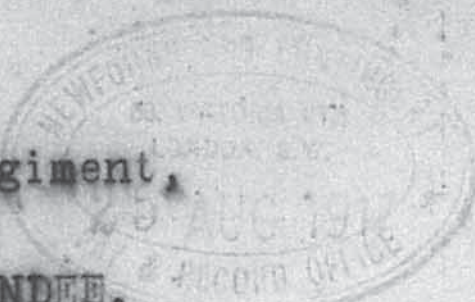
Yours faithfully,

J. W. Smith

RECEIVED	PAID
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	<i>4993</i>
Rec'd.	<i>SEP - 6 1917</i>
Acc'd.	<i>to Hon. Sec. of M. & D.</i>
Ans'd.	<i>✓ 14/9/17</i>
No.	

NFP/55

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Lieut. Col. Whitaker,
Newfoundland Regiment,
Barry Camp,
near DUNDEE.



J. & W. SMITH,
ACCOUNTANTS.

WILLIAM SMITH.

TELEPHONE NO. 40Y.

21, NEWMARKET STREET,
AYR.

23rd August, 1917.

Dear Sir,

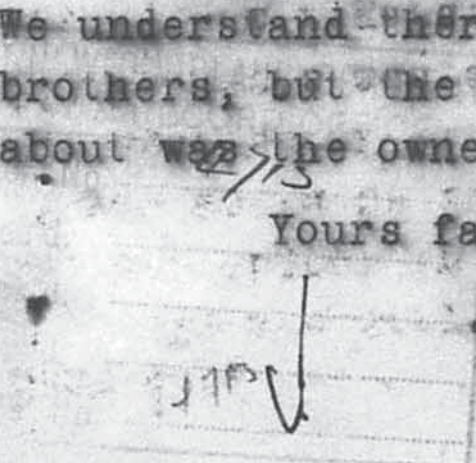
We are very sorry to trouble you, but our object in writing is to enquire if you would be so kind as to give us the address of Lieut. Ayre's widow or his mother's address, as we wish to write them regarding a small account of which, we feel sure, they know nothing, and we have no doubt they would wish to know regarding such a matter as this.

Thanking you in anticipation.

We understand there were one or two brothers, but the one we wish to know about was the owner of a motor cycle.

Yours faithfully,

J. & W. Smith
Dunlop
Paymaster
- Co.



Returned Kit Dept., Trafalgar Building,

CHANCING CROSS, E.C. 4

Cox's Shipping Agency Ltd.

(in connection with Messrs Cox & Co.)

TEL. NO. 5755 GERRARD.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "COXIA" LONDON

BRANCHES:-

ALEXANDRIA.	BOMBAY.
PORT SAID.	CALCUTTA.
CAIRO.	KARACHI.
MARSEILLES (AGENCY)	RAWAL PINDI.
PARIS (AGENCY)	SRINAGAR (KASHMIR)
BOULOGNE (AGENCY)	SOUTHAMPTON.
LIVERPOOL.	

RECEIVING DEPOT & WAREHOUSE,
13, COACH & HORSES YARD,
OLD BURLINGTON STREET, W.

16, Charing Cross,
London, S.W. 1

2nd January 1918.

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE.

Z/T/W.B.

Sir,

We have the honour to inform you that we are today forwarding to your care one package No. OV. 27204 returned from the Expeditionary Force in the name of the late Capt. E. S. Ayre, 1st Battalion, Newfoundland Regiment.

We enclose inventory herewith.

We have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servants,

for COX'S SHIPPING AGENCY LTD.

Manager.

The Officer in Charge of Records,
Newfoundland Contingent,
58, Victoria Street,
S.W.

432

3 JAN 1918

Nos. 101

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SUSPENSE | ~~CLEARED~~ |
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9557/1/P&A

14th June

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Mrs. J. Ayre,
Ascott Military Hospital,
Ascot, Berks.

Madam, Late, Capt. E. S. Ayre,
 Royal Newfoundland Regt.

In the absence of any claim for Pension in respect of your late husband, Capt. E. S. Ayre, of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, - Claim for Pension Form N.F.P.78, which should you desire to file a claim, in respect of such pension, it is asked that you will be good enough to complete and return to this Office.

I am, Madam,
Your obedient servant,

Major,
Chief Paymaster & O.I/c Records,

Capt. E. S. Ayre's
file

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Ashleigh
Refer Kennel Ride
Ascot; Berke.
Dgk
1st December.

Dear Hugh—

Could you find out anything about Eric's grave for me. Nearly two years ago the War Office sent me a slip saying "Capt. Eric S. Ayre is reported as buried at the head of 'Y' ravine, Beaumont Hamel, (north of Albert). Rob Smith told me it is not a proper cemetery. We wonder if they will ever be able to identify the grave after the awful retreat of March and

the last advance. Mrs.
Ayre and I want to go to
France as soon as we
are allowed. Could you
find out when that may
be.

Bernard was buried in
Carnoy Cemetery near Bray.
Has that part been devastated
in the last fighting?

I hope this will not
give you a lot of trouble
but I shall be very grateful
if you can find out
anything.

Yours sincerely

Janet Ayre.

58, Victoria Street,
London, S.W. 1.

4th December, 1918.

I have received your letter of the 1st instant with regard to Eric; I will again put an enquiry to the War Office to see if his grave has now been definitely located.

As regards going to France, I do not think this will be possible for some time, but I understand an announcement will be made in the press whenever relatives are allowed to visit graves there. I am afraid I am not able to say whether Carnay near Bray was devastated in the last fighting, but if you wrote to the

D.G.R. & E.,
War Office,
Winchester House,
St. James' Square,
S.W. 1.

they will be able to tell you.

I shall do my best to get the information you want as regards Eric and will communicate with you as soon as I hear anything.

I hope you are all well.

Kind regards from myself and Sibyl.

5th December,

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19942/48/R.&.C.

D. G. R. & E.,
War Office,
Winchester House,
St. James' Square, S.W. 1.

GRAVE SITE:

CAPT. E. S. AYRE, Deceased.
1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Will you kindly inform me if it is now possible to state the grave site of the above-named Officer, who was killed in Action 1/7/16?

Major,

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

Capt E. S. Ayre

Reference 17/13355.

The Officer in Charge,
Newfoundland Record Office,
58, Victoria Street,
S.W.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.	
PAY & MEDICAL OFFICE.	
NO. OF MEN	404
CO. 137	JAN 1919
BY	
[Signature]	

In reply to your 19942/48/I.&C. dated 5th December 1918, I have to say that Captain E. S. Ayre is buried at a point South South West of Beaumont Hamel, Sheet 57d.Q.10.d.85.20. The grave has been registered in this office, and is marked by a durable wooden cross with an inscription bearing his name, rank, regiment, and the date of death.

*Small
grave site
entered
14/19 Jh*

War Office,
Winchester House,
St. James's Square,
London, S.W.1.

[Large handwritten mark]

[Signature]
Major,
for Major General,
D. G. G. R. & E.

Duplicate.

No. 510

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

N.F.P/55.

Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria Street,
London, S.W.,

To: Mrs. E. B. Dyke
39 Bedford Square
London, W. C.

Jan'y 9th 1919

Reference: B & E.

Herewith Personal effects of the late Capt. E. B. Dyke (432)

Please acknowledge receipt hereon.

(Sig.) _____

(Date) _____

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

No. 510.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

N.F.P/55.

Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria Street,
London, S.W.,

To: Mrs. E. B. Dyke
39 Bedford Square
London, W. C.

Jan'y 9th 1919

Reference: B & E.

Herewith Parcel Personal effects of the late Capt. E. B. Dyke. (432)

Please acknowledge receipt hereon.

(Sig.) Sanet Ayse

(Date) 15th January 1919.

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

58, Victoria Street,
London, S.W. 1.

14th January, 1918.

With further reference to your letter of the 1st December, 1918: I have to-day received from the Director of Graves Registration & Enquiries particulars of Eric's grave.

He lies buried at a point South South-West of Beaumont Hamel, Sheet 57d. 500. Q. 10. d. 85. 20., the latter is a map reference. The grave has been registered and marked by a durable wooden cross with an inscription bearing his name, rank and regiment, and date of death. I am also reporting this to Newfoundland.

I expect you and Mrs. Chesley will take the first opportunity of going to France to visit the Cemetery.

Yours sincerely,

58, Victoria Street,
London, S.W. 1.

24th February, 1919.

I have received your letter of the 23rd instant enclosing your and Mrs. Chesley's passports, together with 10/-. We will, I think, be able to get them for you so soon as you forward the photographs.

I have been speaking to Sir Edgar Bowring (High Commissioner for Newfoundland), and he told me that if you write to him, he will be able to help you to go to France. He himself is on the Imperial War Graves Commission, and has a good deal of information on the subject.

58, Victoria Street,
London, S.W. 1.

21st March, 1919.

Victor Gordon told me you were in town the other day and saw Sir Edgar Bowring in connection with your visit to France. Mr. Coaker was here not long ago and said he saw Eric's grave and that Capt. C.S. Frost, M.C. of the 1st Bn. knows exactly where it is and how to find it. I daresay if you wrote to the latter, 1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regt., Rouen Camps, France, he would be able to give you some useful information.

The photographs you sent recently for your passports were duly received and will have attention. Will you give me some idea of when you intend going to France so that we can send the photographs to the Passport Office in good time?

Mrs. Eric Chesley.
(Asst)

16. ^{last} Ashleigh
Kenneil Ride
Ascot, Berks.
23rd February.

Dear Hugh -

I am enclosing
Mrs Ayrie's and my
applications for pass-
ports. We do not
know any magistrate
and hope you can
put the Pass Office stamp
on them. As the
passport office is
such an awful place
could you allow one
of the men look after
this for us. We

FILE

Capt. S. S. Ayrie

shall be ever so
grateful if you can.
We are having
photographs taken
this week.

Some one told me
you have had some
leave. I hope you
both enjoyed it.

Yours sincerely

Janet Ayre.

I am enclosing
the 10/- for the passports.
If the man said we
may be going home this
summer they would
probably make no fuss
about giving us the passports

Askleigh

Kenner Road

Accot.

16th March 1919

Dear Hugh —

Am enclosing
our passport photographs.
Mrs Ayre had a
wretched cold which
prevented our going
to London for over
a fortnight hence the
delay. We are
going to town on
Wednesday and hope
to call on Sir Edgar
Bawling during the
morning.

Yours sincerely
Lant Ayre

Capt. E. Ayre

Hugh
Kennel Ridge

Accol, Berks.

25th March.

Dear Hugh -

I thank you very
much for your letter
of the 21st. I have
written Capt. Frost.
Mrs. Gordon said
we should probably
not be allowed to
go before May. We
want to go as early
in May as possible.

Yours sincerely
E. Ayre.

"Asleigh"

Kennel Ride

Accot, Berks.

19th January 1919

Dear Hugh -

I thank you very
much for your letter
of the 14th. The next
time I am in London I
am going to see about
Raeports. We hope
the field members of
the Graves Commission
are opposing the plan
of marking all graves
with white stones.
In fifty years time
when all the women

whose hearts lie in
France, have died.
people will only see
the awful ugliness
of fields of white
crosses. If the battle
fields could be turned
into beautiful gardens
with one monument
I think it would be
a much nobler
memorial to the
gallant men who
died to save all
that is best and
in the world.

Congratulations on
your promotion to Captain.
Yours sincerely
Lancel Ayer.

Despatch

Receipt

SIGNATURES AND DATES

TOTALS: No. of Parcels

No. of Bags

No. of Sheets

*Eric Byre's
grave*

*Capt. F. ...
where
grave*

London - W. 1111
No. 1111
Address

PO BOX, LONDON
LONDON, S.W. 1

22, VICTORIA STREET,
WAR AND RECORD OFFICE

PARCELS VOLT NO.

MEMORANDUM CONTINGENT

Mountain View Inn,
Hollywood, Cal.

April 14th 1921.

C.R. 0-91

Lieut. Col. W. G. Rendell -

Dear Sir -

I acknowledge with
thanks the photographs for-
warded under cover of your
letter of March 29th.

yours sincerely

Janet Ayre.

1921

SEP 19 1921

The accompanying Victory Medal and/or British War Medal

Fold Here

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

To the Officer in Charge of Records,



Royal Nfld. Regt.

Dept. of Militia,

ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.

Fold Here



[O.T. 9]

0-91

SEP 9 1921

1921.

The accompanying **Victory Medal** and/or **British War Medal**

is/are forwarded herewith to

Mrs. Eric S. Ayre (Wife)

in respect of his service as No. _____

Rank Capt.

Name E.S. Ayre

Royal Nfld. Regt.
Nfld. Forestry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Sept 15th 1921

Signature Janet M. Ayre

Received
Date Victory Medal & British War Medal

Address Circular Rd

[P.T.O.]

C.R. 0-71

Feb. 14th 1920

Mrs. E. S. Ayre
C/o Mrs. Chesley Ayre
Circular Road

Dear Madam, :-

I am to inform you that for various reasons it has been found necessary to exhume the bodies of soldiers buried in certain areas, and the body of Capt. E. S. Ayre has been removed to Ancre River Cemetery, four miles North North East of Albert. The new grave has been duly marked and registered in the office of the Imperial War Graves Commission. The re-burial has been carefully and reverently carried out.

Yours faithfully,

Ident.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 0-91
"Brookdale"

St. John's

Sept. 13th 1921.

Lt. Col. W. F. Rendell.

I acknowledge with
thanks photographs
forwarded under cover
of yours of the 30th ult.

Yours truly

Samuel Ayre.

MRS. ERIC AYRE,

c/o MRS. CHESLEY AYRE,

C I R C U L A R R O A D.

C.R. 0-91

Extract from D. O. Part II, Unit the R. Wld. Regiment dated
June 10th. 1916 from Srd. Echelon, D.E.F.

ARRIVALS.

Capt. W. S? Ayre. Joined Battalion from Home 20/5/19.

C.R. 0-91

Extract from Casualties received from Pay and Record
Office, London, Jan. 17, 1919.

Captain E.S. Ayre.

Is buried at a Point South, South West of Beaumont
Hamel, Somme, France, Sheet 57d Q.10d. 85.20

C.R. 0-91

1st Newfoundland Regt.

Ayre Capt.

Informant states that he saw Capt. Ayre killed by machine gun fire July 1st in No Man's Land.

Reference:- Shea, Edwin, 874,
1st Newfoundland Regiment,
St. Thomas's F. Hospital.

London,
16.7.16.
A. Weddaburn.

Extract of Casualty received from Pay & Record Office,
London, dated August 18, 1916.

C.R. 0-91
~~1009~~

NO. 1009 L.C. AYRE E. ✓

EXTRACT OF CASUALTY RECEIVED FROM THE P & R O DATED 7.11.16.

"REPORTED MISSING JULY 1ST."

C.R. 91

Copy of Cablegram to Governor St. John's Nfld.

from P.&R.O. 6/7/16

Capt. Eric Ayre. ✓

Killed in Action 1st July.

C.R. 0-91

APPOINTMENT. ✓

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR HAS BEEN PLEASED TO
APPOINT:

ERIC S. AYRE, ESQ.,

TO BE CAPTAIN. DATED JANUARY 26TH, 1915.

CR. 0-91

Extract from Nominal Roll Draft "E" Company Embarked
Per S.S. Stephano, April 22.1915.

Capt. E.S. Ayre,

Officer Commanding.

C.R. 0-91

Government House,

St. John's, Nfld.

2 December, 1914.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 23th ultimo and to state that your Commission is permanent and that you are eligible to apply to join the next draft for the front, if your circumstances permit.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lieut. Colonel.

Lieut. Eric Ayre,

1st Newfoundland Regiment.

*Mr. Eric Ayre WFR
Dear Sir
I have
order receipt
of the 28th ult
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1st Newfoundland Regiment

St. John's, Nfld. 30th. NOVEMBER 1914

LIEUT. COL. SIR. W. E. DAVIDSON, K. C. M. G.

COMMANDING,

1st. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

ST JOHNS.

SIR:-

Referring to Mr Eric Ayre's letter, re. commission, which is returned herewith.

As Mr Ayre already holds a commission in the Regiment, I think it would be quite competent for him to proceed abroad with any drafts that might be sent without further official action being necessary. He has taken a keen interest in the work, and is, I consider, as efficient a Junior Officer as we could hope to send.

I understand that it is probable that a number of the Brigade Officers who were unable to go with the First Contingent, are thinking of answering the second call.

At the last meeting of the Reserve Force Committee, the matter came up, and it was thought that the question of further commissions might be taken up when the Recruits were ready to be formed into Platoons or Companies. The present Infantry Organization calls for a Junior Officer or Platoon Commander for every 60 men.

It was thought that applications for commissions might be handled as formerly, subject to the approval of

Sag
1. Coy of 250 OVM.
= 4 Platoons of 60 men
= 2 Captains
= 4 Lieut.



1st Newfoundland Regiment

St. John's, Nfld., 191

(#2)

LIEUT. COL. SIR W.E. DAVIDSON, K.C.M.G.

Your Excellency, and I presume that Sir Joseph Outerbridge
will be taking the matter up with you.

Yours very truly,

Montgomery

CAPT

A.M/B.M.W.

RECRUITING OFFICER.



"Brookdale",

Circular Road, St. John's,

Nov. 26th. 1914

Sir Walter Davidson, K.C.M.G.,

Colonel of First Newfoundland Regiment.

Sir,

Whilst assisting to train in musketry the First Nfld. Regiment during the time of their camping at Pleasantville, I received the commission of Lieutenant, but do not know whether this commission would hold good for the second Contingent, now about to be recruited.

It is my wish to go forward with this Contingent, and I should like to be informed if it be necessary for me to make a fresh application, or whether the former appointment would be official for the present occasion also.

I have the honour to be

Your obedient servant,

Ernest Hays

ADC. C.R.O.-91
Done?
✓
C/O

1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld.

September 29th, 1914

Lieut. Eric Ayre's (M.G.)
Services.

Sir;

I would commend to your notice the valuable services rendered the Camp by Lieut. Eric Ayre, M.G. He has alternated musketry instruction duties with Captain March, training fifty men at Camp and then taken charge of them at Range whilst Captain March trained the next fifty men.

I think it would be a graceful act to have some recognition made of his services and regret I have not brought this matter to your notice before.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

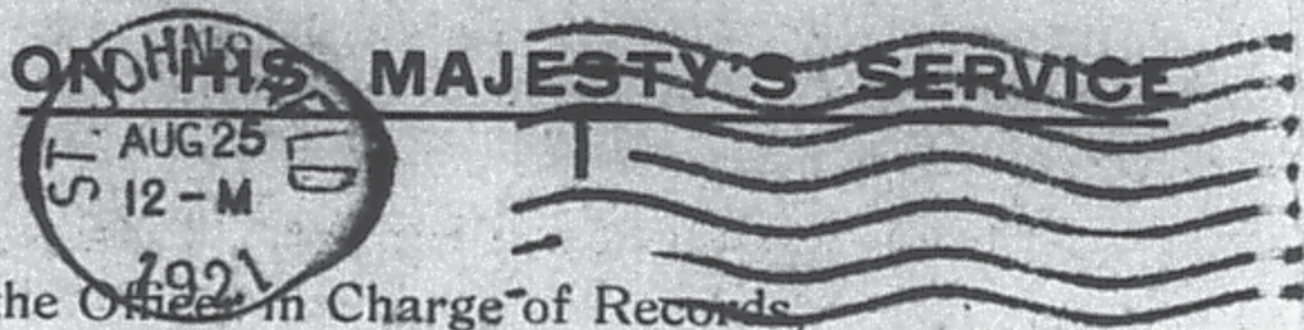
Your obedient servant,

Wm. Frank

CAMP COMMANDANT

To

Lieut. Col. Sir W. E. Davidson, K.C.M.G.
Governor.



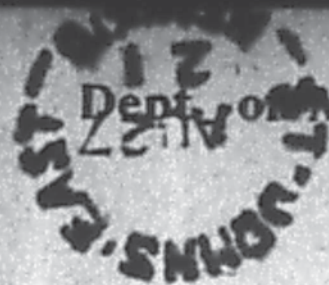
To the Officer in Charge of Records,

The Royal Nfld. Regt.

Dept. of Militia,

ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.

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Dept. of Militia,

1214

St. John's.

Aug. 23rd

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1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
 Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
 the late No. Rank *Capt.*
 Name *Eric Ayre*
 Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Janet M. Ayre (Sgd.)

..... Relationship.

Address *Circular Rd.*

Ayre, E S Capt

0-91

Ray Capt.

19th August

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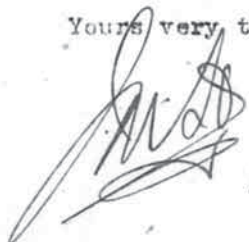
Chas. P. Ayre Esq.,
Messrs Ayre & Sons Ltd.,
City.

Dear Sir,-

Referring to yours of August 16th. I now
enclose two Certificates of the death of Capt. Eric S. Ayre, taken
from the Official records.

I trust this will be satisfactory to you.

Yours very truly,



Deputy Paymaster.

J.M.H/B.M.W.

Enclosure.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

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				\$	105.00				21	11	6
	Dr.										
July 7	Deposit BANK OF MONTREAL, WATERLOO PLACE, LONDON, S.W.					27	3	6			

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to 30/10/1916 and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.

PAY & RECORD OFFICE,
58, VICTORIA STREET,
LONDON, S.W.,
1st November, 1916

Checked by *C. J. [Signature]* £ 27 3 6 / 27 3 6

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COPY. FIELD SERVICE.

REPORT of Death of ^{an Officer} ~~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 } 1st Newfoundland Regiment Squadron, }
or } Troop, Battery }
CORPS } or Company }



Regtl. No. _____ Rank Captain

Name Ayre, E.S.

Died { Date July 1st, 1916.
Place In the Field, France
Cause of Death* Killed in Action

Nature and Date of Report _____

By whom made O.C. Unit.

* 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.

Burial { Place Not yet received.
Date _____
By whom reported _____

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) ~~in Pay Book (Army Book 64)~~
(b) ~~in Small Book (if at Base)~~ Unknown.
(c) ~~as a separate document~~

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.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } (Sd.) A. E. Clerk, Capt.,
fbr Lieut. Colonel.

Station and Date 26/7/16.

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Aug. 16, 1916.

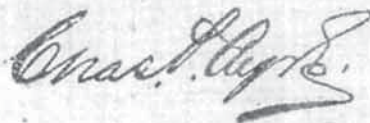
IN REPLY
QUOTE 3/W

J. M. Howley, Esq.,
Deputy Paymaster
First Nfld. Regiment,
C I T Y.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your letter of the 15th. inst., relative to Certificate of the death of Captain Eric Ayre. Will you kindly send me two certificates, copied from the official casualty lists, and signed by you as Deputy Paymaster. I may point out that no notification was sent here. I presume this was because of Captain Eric's mother and wife being in England.

Yours very truly,



TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS

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IN REPLY
QUOTE 3/W

Major Montgomerie,
First Nfld. Regiment.

Dear Major,

I want to get two certificates of Eric's death, for use in connection with his Life Insurance Policies in different Companies. Will you kindly send me these, taken from the Official Report of his being killed in action. I presume you have access to this. If not, will you kindly let me know to whom to apply.

Yours very truly,

Ernest Ayre

*Mist
were you address to this
Aug*

ALL COMMUNICATIONS MUST BE ADDRESSED TO THE COMPANY AND NOT TO INDIVIDUALS.

15th August

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Chas.P.Ayre Esq.,
Messrs Ayre & Sons Ltd.,
City.

Dear Sir,-

Major Montgomerie has handed me your letter to him of August 11th, with the request to attend to the matter referred to; I beg to state that the only certificate of death that I have, is the Official Casualty list signed by the Colonial Secretary, which would not, I imagine, be any more effective to the Insurance Companies, than the notification which was sent to you on receipt of casualty list.

Formerly, certificates of death, signed by the Officer Commanding in the field, were sent us, and in some cases, I have made use of these for Insurance purposes, but latterly, these have for some reason or other, been discontinued, and as above stated, the only certificates now received, are the official Casualty lists. If these are of any use to you, I shall be pleased to permit you the use of a copy which I have on hand.

Yours very truly,



J.M.H/B.M.W.

Deputy Paymaster.