

C.F. 0-220

Extract from Daily Orders by Lieut. Col. B. J. Barton, D.S.O.
Commanding 2nd Bn., Royal Nfld. Regt. 8-7-18.

Lieut. Col. R. A. Berners, D.S.O. ceased to command this
Battalion as from 21-6-18.

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March 12th 1918.

Acting Colonial Secretary,
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Sir:-

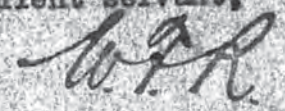
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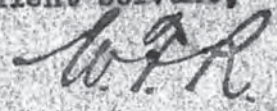
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J. R. Bennett, Esq.,
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Telephone :
VICTORIA 147.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

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and the following No. quoted :

MEMORANDUM.

No. 2144/96/0

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From
PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,
58, VICTORIA STREET,
LONDON, S.W.
11th February, 1918

To
The Hon. the Minister of
Militia,
St. John's,
Newfoundland.

HT/NV

SUBJECT: LT.COL. R.A. BERNERS,
D.S.O.,
O.C., 2nd Battalion.

REPLY

Dated **March 19, 1918.** 191

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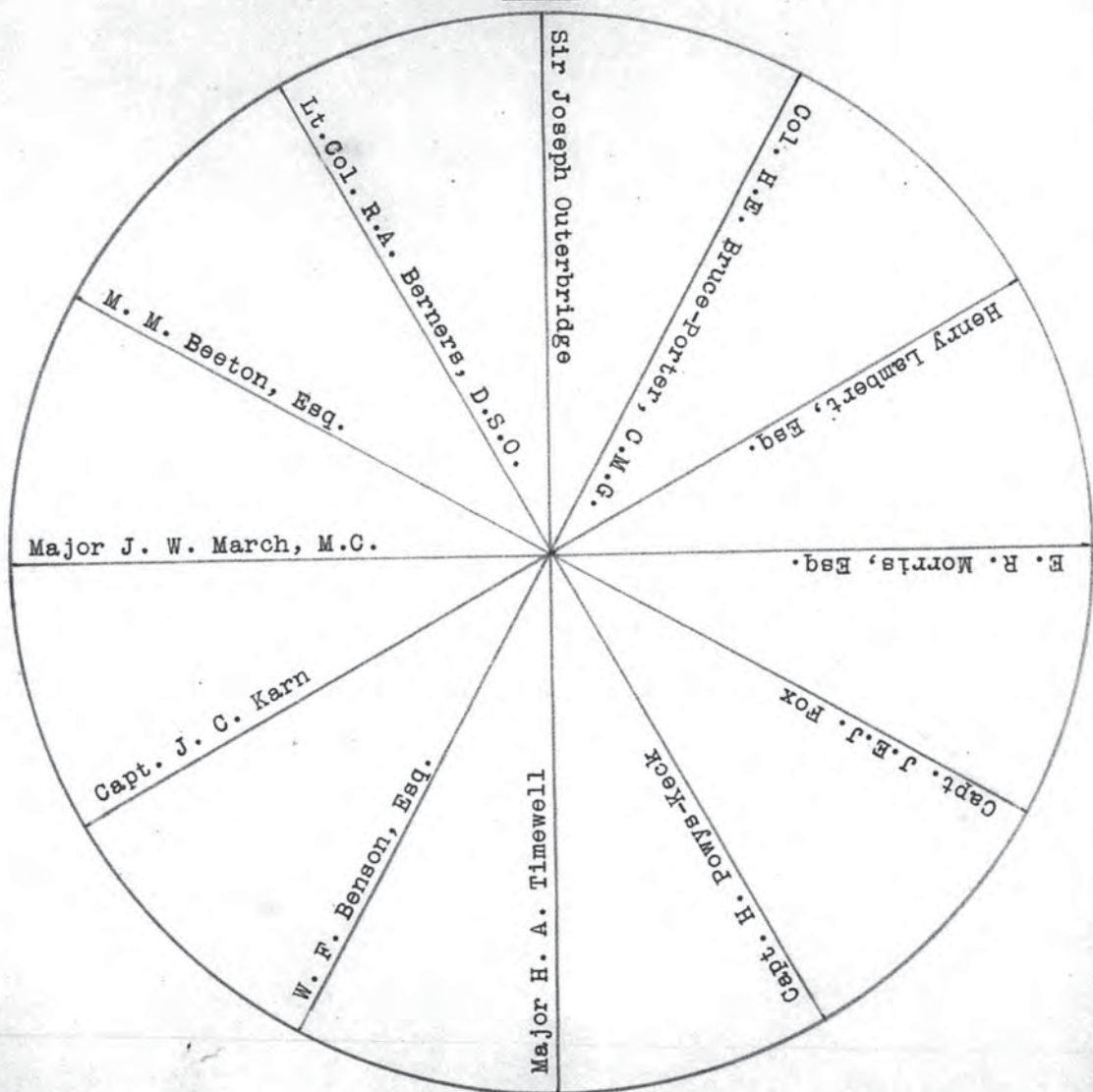


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London, S.W.

CHAIR



Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria Street,
London, S.W. 1,
9th February, 1918.

COPY.

DOWNING STREET,
31 JANUARY 1918.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

NO. 15

Sir:-

I have the honour to request you to be so good as to inform your Ministers that Lieutenant Colonel R.A. Berners, D.S.O., Royal Welsh Fusiliers, has been selected to command the 2nd Battalion Royal Newfoundland Regiment and was ordered to assume command on the 5th January.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble servant,

(Sgd) Walter H. Long.

GOVERNOR

SIR C. ALEXANDER HARRIS, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O.,

&c.,

&c.,

&c.,

CR! 0-220

Extract of Daily Orders part 11, ~~from & back~~ by Lieut.
Col. R.A. Berners, D.S.O., Commanding 2nd Bn., Royal
Newfoundland Regiment, dated 26/1/18.

Lt/Col. R.A. Berners D.S.O., Royal Welch
Fusiliers assumes Command of the Battalion from
January 26, 1918.

Auth: -W.O. Letter 121/Overseas/4813 (A.G.4a).

C.R. 0-220

Copy of Telegram received from London, dated
January 26, 1918.

62610 Msk. In answer to your telegram January
24th Lieut. Colonel R.A. Berners, Royal Welsh
Fusiliers was selected and ordered to assume
Command 2nd Royal Newfoundland Regiment,
January 5th.

Lt. Col. R. A. Burns DSO C.R. 0-220

P. & R.O.

Hazeley Down Camp,
Winchester,
Jan. 29th 1919.

Dear Timewell,

Lt.Col.R.A. Berkers, D.S.O. of the Royal Welch Fusiliers took over Command on Saturday.

I am very anxious (and he is willing) to go up to town at an early date for you and others to meet him, could you arrange with Fox for Lord Morris and if possible for Sir Edgar Bowring to meet him on Feb. 5th?

Will you let me know what you can do?

Lunch somewhere perhaps will be best.

^{The}~~Man~~, I, and March would just go up for the day, there are several things about which to talk, and I think it only wise that he should at once meet Lord Morris and others.

Kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Major F.A. Timewell,
London, S.W.

Reginald Kain

*I have written
to Mr Fox re this.
Will you fix it with him.*

Newfoundland Contingent,
Pay & Record Office,

58, Victoria Street, S.W.1
30th January, 1918.

Dear Karn,

I have your letter 29/1/18 and look forward with pleasure to your visit accompanying Lt.-Col. Berners next week. I expected to see Lord Morris this afternoon: meantime I have seen Sir Joseph Outerbridge and Sir Edgar Bowring is not in this Country. If Lord Morris is agreeable I will arrange a luncheon party and let you know details later on.

I understand that you are on the look out for a cinematograph projecting outfit. They are very scarce at present and hard to get but I have a firm offer of one for £72:0:0 net cash subject to immediate reply. If you decide to take it suppliers will hand it over to your representative with personal instructions how to work it. If you are anxious to secure it, it

Washington Government
should be done at once as they are
not easy to procure.

Yours sincerely,

I have your letter of 20/1/50
and look forward with pleasure to your
visit soon. I am expected to be in
London this afternoon. I should
be pleased to discuss your
and Sir [Name] [Name] [Name]
Country. I have [Name] [Name]
I will [Name] [Name] [Name]
and let you know details later on.

I understand that you are on the
look out for a [Name] [Name] project
in [Name] [Name] [Name] [Name] [Name]
present and had to [Name] [Name] [Name]
the offer of [Name] [Name] [Name] [Name]
subject to [Name] [Name] [Name] [Name]
decide to take it [Name] [Name] [Name]
it [Name] [Name] [Name] [Name] [Name]
personal instructions [Name] [Name] [Name]
if you are anxious to [Name] [Name] [Name]

Hazeley Down Camp,
Winchester,
Jan. 31st 1918.

Dear Timewell,

Many thanks for your letter of the 30th.

I hope you will be able to fix the lunch on Tuesday.

About the Cinema Machine, I have since seen an Officer who is Cinema Manager, ^{to} Oswald Stoll, in peace time, and he is very kindly going to put me in the way of a machine at trade prices.

I am so sorry to have given you and Anderson so much trouble in making enquiries, but from this last source I expect to get one not more than £40.

Colonel Bowers is very anxious that Company Commanders should have a proper certificate for handing over their Companies, will you please look at the attached and send it back with any suggestions you may have to offer, particularly with regard para. 2. (does this affect us). We hope to see you on Tuesday.

Kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Major H.A. Timewell,
London, S.W.

Capt. Kern

NEW FOUNDED DISTRICT,	
PAY & RECORDED OFFICE.	
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Ref. Nos. 101	
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P & A	
R. & C	
B. & E	
P.S.	

Newfoundland Contingent,
Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria Street, S.W. 1
31st January, 1918.

Dear Lord Morris,

I have received a letter from Captain Karn stating that the new Officer Commanding 2nd Battalion, Lt.-Col. R.A. Berners, D.S.O., Royal Welsh Fusiliers, contemplates visiting town on Tuesday next. Captain Karn suggests that it might be agreeable to you and others to meet him, say at a luncheon. This latter idea I can easily arrange at a private room at the British Empire Club, and am doing so tentatively pending your approval. I have also seen Sir Joseph Outerbridge on the subject and I suggest that the party should also include Mr. Alec. Harvey and I believe that Captain Fox, with whom I have been in communication over the telephone this morning will be able to attend.

I understand that Colonel Berners will be accompanied by Major March and Captain Karn. Of course it will be just an informal affair and should afford a good opportunity for you and others to meet him.

If Tuesday is inconvenient for you I will endeavour to arrange another date which will also suit the others.

Yours faithfully,

July 19/1918

DURRANTS HOTEL,

MANCHESTER SQUARE, W.1

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS
ADJECTION, LONDON.
TELEPHONE 6484 } MAYFAIR.
(2 LINES) 6485 }

Dear Major Inneswell

I will be very pleased to meet
Lt. Col. Berners either at dinner
or lunch; but it was only on
coming home this afternoon I
looked up my engagement
list and I find I am lunching
at the Aldwych Club on Tues-
day with the British Empire
Development Resources Com-
mittee. but am free that night
for dinner on any other day
next week for lunch or dinner.

Yours faithfully

J. Morris

ARMY TELEPHONE MESSAGE.

Date 2/2/18 Time handed in _____ m. Time sent _____ m. Time received 3 P. m.To Chief Paymaster Newfoundland Contingent

Thursday Feby 7th will suit for
 luncheon will you kindly confirm
 by letter

From

Capt Korn 2nd Batt Royal Nfld R. Winnipeg

Name of receiver :—

Hambert

Hazeley Down Camp,
Winchester,
Feb. 4th 1918.

Dear Timewell,

Just to confirm my telephone talk with you this afternoon, Colonel Berbers is particularly anxious for this meeting of Lord Morris, yourself and others to take place on Saturday or Monday, if you can possibly arrange it.

Of course it will not do if you or Lord Morris cannot be there.

Will you do your best to fix it for **Saturday**.

Yours sincerely,

Major H.A. Timewell,
Pay & Record Office,
London, S.W.



Newfoundland Contingent,
Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria St., S.W. 1.
4th February, 1918.

Dear Lord Morris,

With reference to your letter
1/2/18: I had tentatively fixed
Wednesday next, when I was informed
by the Adjutant, Winchester by tele-
phone this afternoon that the G.O.C.
would be visiting them on that date;
and it is now asked if either Satur-
day or Monday next may be convenient
for you to meet Lt. Col. Berners.

Will you kindly let me know at
your early convenience if and which
date will be most suitable to you?
I may say that a luncheon is desired
in preference to a dinner. It will
be quite an informal affair, and has
been tentatively arranged to take
place in a private room at the
British Empire Club.

Yours sincerely,

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July 3rd 1914

DURRANTS HOTEL,

MANCHESTER SQUARE, W.1

Dear Major Timmell

Thanks for yours of 20
Tuesdays date. Saturday
or Monday will be equally
satisfactory to me for my
lunch to Lt. Col. Bennett.

Yours faithfully

E. Morris



Newfoundland Contingent,
Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria Street,
S.W. 1.
6th February, 1918.

Dear Lord Morris,

Thank you for your letter of
5/2/18. I have arranged for the
luncheon to take place at the
British Empire Club, 12, St. James'
Square, on Saturday the 9th instant
at 1.15 p.m.

Yours sincerely,

Newfoundland Contingent,
Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria St., S.W. 1.
6th February, 1918.

Dear Karn,

With reference to your letter
4/2/18: I have heard from Lord Morris
this morning that Saturday the 9th
instant is suitable to him. I
presume that you and Col. Berners may
probably call at the office during
the morning, if not, the luncheon will
be at the British Empire Club,
12, St. James' Square, at 1.15 p.m.

I understand that besides you and
Col. Berners, Major March will come.
Please let me know by return. There
will probably be seven or eight others
at the luncheon which by the by is
quite informal.

Yours sincerely,

DEPARTMENT.....
Reference No. [✓] 1326
Date Rec'd. - 8 FEB 1918
" Ack'd.
" Ans'd.
File

Hazeley Down Camp,
Winchester,
Feb. 7th 1918.

Dear Timewell,

Many thanks for your letter of the 6th.

Saturday next will do excellently and the Colonel,
March, and I will call on you as soon as we get to town, which
we hope to do at 11.15 a.m.

Perhaps you will make a note of anything you
may wish to discuss. In haste.

Yours sincerely,

Cyril Starn.

Major H.A. Timewell,
Royal Newfoundland Regiment,
London, S.W.

ARMY TELEPHONE MESSAGE.

Date _____ Time handed in _____ m. Time sent _____ m. Time received _____ m.

To

Col Bruce Porter } Will be able to attend
Mr Morris } the luncheon.

Sir a Steel-MacLennan } am able to attend
Mr A Harvey }

Received over the phone *MP*

From

Name of receiver:—



3RD LONDON GENERAL HOSPITAL,
T.F.,
WANDSWORTH, S.W.

February 7th, 1918.

Dear Major Timewell,

Thank you very much for your kind invitation for luncheon for Saturday next the 9th of February. I shall be very pleased to accept, and will be at the British Empire Club at 1.15 p.m.

I hope you received my telephone message of this morning.

Yours sincerely,

Major H. A. Timewell,
Newfoundland Record Office,
58, Victoria Street, S.W.1.

July 7th 1918

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MANCHESTER SQUARE, W.1

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS
ADJECTION, LONDON.
TELEPHONE 6484 } MAYFAIR.
(2 LINES) 6485 }

Dear Major Iniewell

I have just had your note
of yesterday's date and I
regret exceedingly that owing
to my having accepted
an invitation to speak
at Huddersfield on Saturday
next, on the occasion
of the presentation of an
Aero plane to Canada. I
will be prevented from what
would otherwise ~~would be~~
a very pleasant ^{occasion} ~~celebration~~
for me namely lunching
with you and the other
guests who are going to meet
Lt. Colonel Berners.

I would be most grateful if you would fully explain this to the Lt. Colonel - and tell him that it is over three weeks since the day was fixed for Haddenfield. I cannot possibly remain away as if I do then will be no one representing New Journal and a further I am on the Committee.

When you said in your note the divine might be held on Monday - I saw a way out of the difficulty.

Courteously
Yours

J. Morris

P.S. I hope you would ^{revert to} ~~revert to~~ ^{at the time}

Regiment which will be
very gratifying to all
Newfoundlanders. With very

kind regards

Faithfully yours
A. J. Harvey

2091 KENSINGTON

100, QUEEN'S GATE,
S. W. 4

February 8th 1918

Dear Major Linewell

In accordance with
the request in your note I
telephoned as soon as possible
after it reached me yesterday
morning to express my regret
that I could not accept
your very kind invitation
to luncheon for tomorrow
Saturday

Saturday. I have the most
irritating cough which
makes me a nuisance to
myself and everybody
else and which becomes
particularly annoying if
I attempt to carry on a
conversation. I felt therefore
that I must put up with
the disappointment and

remain at home. Many
thanks however for your
kind thought of me. I am
very glad to hear that the
Regiment is so fortunate
in the selection that has
been made of a new Com-
manding Officer and I
notice that it has been
duly gazetted as a Royal
Regiment

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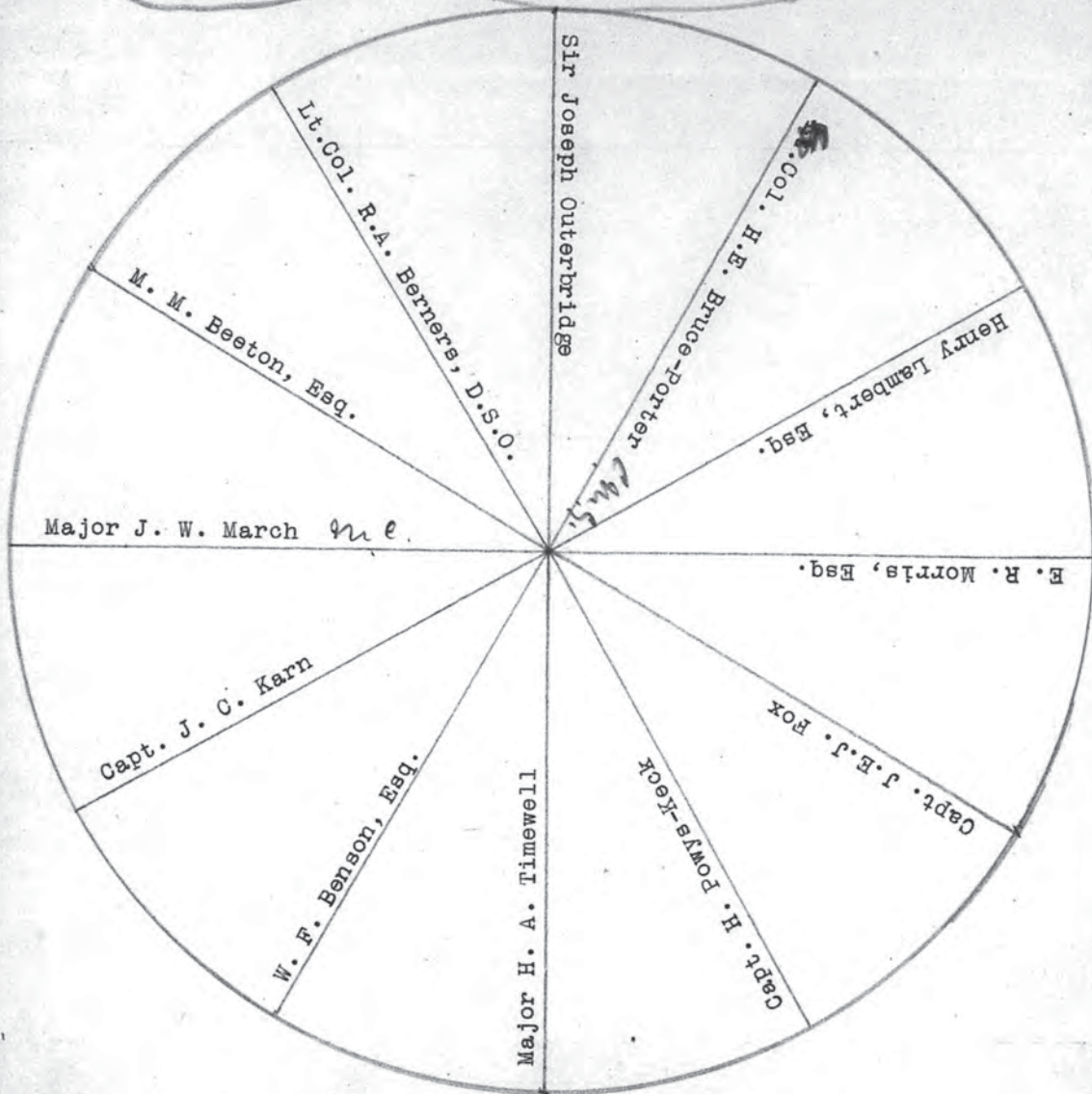
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 Sq. London SW. held 9 February 1914
 to meet Lt Col. R.A. Berrers D.S.O.
 O.C. 2nd Bn (Rear) The Royal West Kent
 Regiment.

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Pay Record Office
 55, Cannon St London SW.
 9 February 1914

Present

X Lt Col R. B. Berman

X Major J. H. Berman

Capt J. C. Berman

X Lt Col W. B. Berman - Portland

X Mr. Joseph A. Berman

X Capt. J. B. Berman

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X Major J. B. Berman

X Mr. B. B. Berman

X J. R. Berman

X W. B. Berman

Excused

Mr. A. B. Berman

Mr. A. B. Berman

Capt J. C. Berman

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Majr G. Innesell

Is it possible to change the
Command Depot for Newfoundland
from Ripon to a place in the
Southern Command?

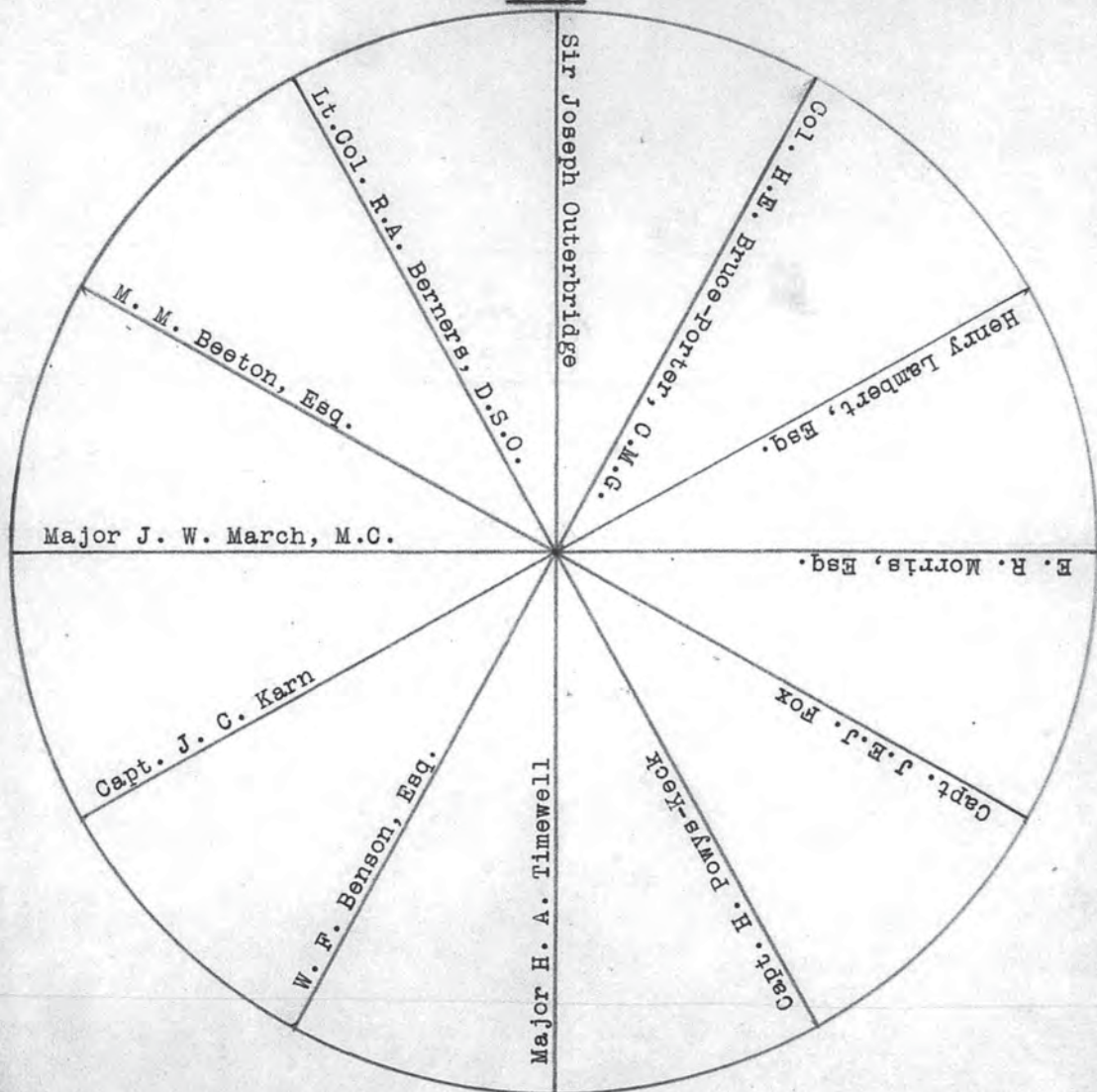
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HT/NV

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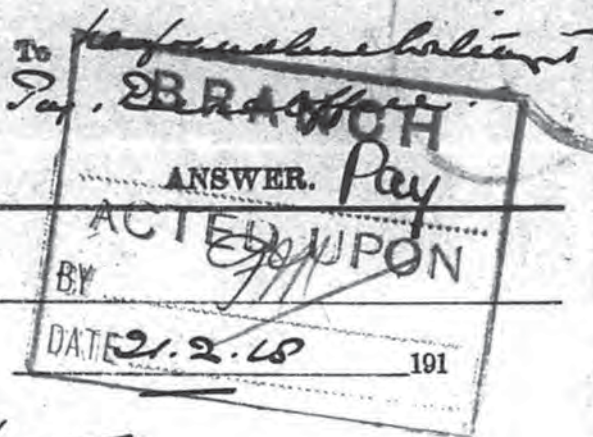
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Lt. Col. R. A. Berners

To Lt. Col. R. A. Berners, D.S.O.,

Officer Commanding,
2/Bn. Royal Nfld. Regt.
Winchester.

FM/WF



Pay & Record Office,

19th, February 1918

MESS ALLOWANCE,
IMPERIAL OFFICERS SERVING WITH
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Officers of the
Imperial Forces who are serving
with the Newfoundland Contingent
are granted Mess Allowance of
4/- per day by the Newfoundland
Government as in the case of
Newfoundland Officers.

Kindly advise the name
and address of your Bankers,
or other Agents, to whom you
wish this allowance paid, please

R. A. Berners
Major,
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

NOTED
In office ledger sheet.
R. A. Berners
Date *25/2/18*

Notes -
I shall be obliged if
the allowance can be
paid into my account
with Mess. Cox & Co.
16. Chancery Cross
London. S.W.

1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT
PAY & RECORD OFFICE
Ref. No. *1101*
23 FEB 1918
R. A. Berners
LIEUT. COL
COMMANDING 2ND BN. ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND

15.4.68

Dear Timewell,

I am returning
your papers &
Documents and
a box, with my
love herewith -

As you will see
am asking a
strong bid to get

appeal - but I have
never seen the
recommendation. He
was then C-i-C.
and L.O. my visit -
from a letter

D. D. Dennis

Soe back here now - I shall be glad if you
I consider how much - will let me know, &
to be here - I am
sending my reply
This case is duplicate
to enable you to send
it on to the Military
Secretary with your
reply. If you find
any opposition being
exercised to his claim

I will then proceed
arranging with
the office my reply -
Representations - I should
personally prefer to
make recommendation
to Ministry of Militia
as to present - and
for you to testify to
when these are

Newfoundland Contingent, c
Pay & Record Office,
58, Victoria Street, S.W. 1.
17th April, 1918.

Dear Col. Berners,

I duly received yours 15/4/18
and enclose copy of my No. 5880/132/C,
16/4/18 regarding Capt. Fox, on
receipt of reply I shall further
advise you.

I also enclose draft letter
which I propose to send to the W.O.
and which I shall be glad if you will
be good enough to look through and
suggest any amendments you may think
desirable. As a matter of fact I
have had another letter from the W.O.
copy of which I enclose, which kindly
return together with the draft letter.

I am afraid we must look for a
number of casualties of which there
are various indications. The
Adjutant of the 1st Bn. is in
hospital here and Capt. Parsons went
to see him this morning and gathered
from him that we have had some rather

serious losses. Under the circumstances I do not think that either Parsons or myself can accompany Knight to the Discharge Depot, but no doubt the latter officer will get all the requisite information. Naturally I would not like to be away during such a period as this unless absolutely compelled.

Yours sincerely,

Lt. Col. R. A. Berners, D.S.O.
Royal Newfoundland Regt.,
Winchester.



Dear Finwell,

Thanks for yours
a box, and for your
draft a promotion of
Officers. I agree with it
except in pages 3 and 5,
where I have made insertion
which I suggest - I should
also ~~be~~ be inclined to
add page 7 - to the effect
that "similarly on an
office meeting an

opportunity to give
active work, his revision
to substitute work, will
be ~~done~~ upon - Bill
Part II orders - can be
notified to Mr. Parsons
to his office for purposes
of Gezell's - Amendment -
and will at the same
time be notified to Co.
Thompson & Co. as goes
Bill X

I am sorry to hear of
casualties, but fear they
are to be expected.

Did Parsons see Capt. King
yesterday?

Love & care, Ed. Parsons

Lt Col. A. Burners D.S.O.

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16 Charing X.

mess allowance

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13 days @ 4/-

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MEMORANDUM.

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER RECORDS
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,
85, VICTORIA STREET,
LONDON, S.W. 1.
ENGLAND.

From Officer Commanding,
2nd Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regt.
Handby Down Camp.

To Officer Commanding,
2/Bn Royal Nfld. Regt.
Winchester, Hants,

To The Chief Paymaster,
Royal Newfoundland Regiment,
London, S.W.
ANSWER.

Pay & Record Office,

4th July 1918

July 5th 1918.

Lt. Col. R. A. Berners, D.S.O.
Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

Kindly advise the date on which the above named officer ceased to Command the 2nd Battalion. It is noted that entry does not appear to have been made in Daily Orders, please.

Lt. Col. R.A. Berners,
ceased to command this Battn.
as from 21-6-18.

R.A. Berners

Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,
PAY & RECORD OFFICE,
By Order of *[Signature]* 6100
J. J. Berners
ACK'D
JUL 11 1918
LIEUT. COLONEL,
2ND BN. ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.

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