



THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 5595 Name Samuel Hodderott Corps Meth

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

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| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Samuel Hodderott</u> |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>Indian Hld N.D.B.</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>19</u> Years Months |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>Fisherman</u> |
| 6. Are you Married? | 6. <u>No</u> |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? | 7. <u>no</u> |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? | 8. <u>Yes</u> |
| 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? | 9. <u>Yes</u> |
| 10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? | 10. Name
Corps |
| 11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? | 11. <u>Yes</u> |

I, Samuel Hodderott 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 made.

Samuel S. Hodderott SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
Pte. P. Power Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Samuel Hodderott 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, according to the conditions of my service.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

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 St. John's on this 3 day of June 1915
Signature of Attesting Officer C. P. Dicks Sheriff

† CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the
If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.
Date 191.....
Place } Approving Officer.

† The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Recruit.
‡ Here insert the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

* If so, Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former service, and to produce, if possible, his Certificate of Discharge and Certificate of Character, which should be returned to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink, as follows, viz:—(Name) re-enlisted in the (Regiment) on the (Date)

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT

Applicable to all ranks. To correspond with entries on the Medical History Sheet.

Name Samuel Hoddenoth
 Apparent age 19 years months. Height 5 feet 4 inches
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 33 1/2 inches
 Range of expansion 4 inches
 Distinctive marks

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Mary ^{widow} Hoddenoth
Indian Eld. | Relationship mother.
N. D. B. Particulars as to Marriage

(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow. (b) Place and date of marriage.
 (c) Present address. (d) Initials of Officer verifying entry.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
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Particulars as to Children

Christian Names

Date and Place of Birth

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or Depot	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from _____									
Joined at _____ on _____									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									
Total Service towards Engagement to _____ [date of discharge] _____ years _____ days									
" " Pensions " _____ [" "] _____ " _____ "									



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					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>3-6-18</u>									
Joined at <u>M. S. S.</u> on <u>June 5-1918</u>									
Admitted General Hospital <u>Alexandria 14-6-1918</u>									
transferred to <u>H. S. S. Hospital 27-6-1918</u>									
Died <u>General Hospital 2-7-1918</u>									
Buried in <u>General Hospital Cemetery 4-7-18</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Total Service towards Engagement to 2-7-18 (date of discharge) years 30 days

Pensions



To be used only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reservists entering into the Regular Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Hodson OF Christian Name Samuel Ferguson

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish

Indian Islands NFB County Newfoundland

	SPECIAL RESERVE		REGULAR ARMY	
	on	day of	on	day of
Examined	3 rd	June 1918		191
Declared Age	19	years		days
Trade or Occupation	Fisherman			
Height	5	feet 4		inches
Weight	113	lbs.		lbs.
Chest Measure-ment	33 1/2			
	4			
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
	/	/		
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R.E.—V=	6/6	R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V=	6/6	L.E.—V=	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease				
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection				
Approved by (Signature)	<u>Samuel H. Paterson</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Major</u>			
Enlisted	at	<u>St. John's</u>	at	
	on	3 rd day of <u>June</u> 1918	on	day of 191
	Corps.		Corps.	
	Regtl. No.		Regtl. No.	
Joined on Enlistment	<u>Royal New</u>			
	<u>Regiment.</u>			
Transferred to		<u>5590</u>		
Became non-effective by	on	day of 191	on	day of 191
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

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Table II.—Only for admission to hospital or to the sick

Name of Hospital	Admitted to Hospital			Discharged from Hospital			Disease	Number Days in Hospital	Remarks bearing on syphilis, admissions of treatment
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year			
General Hospital St. Johns. M. I. D. Hospital	14	6	18	22	6	18	Influenza with some Bronchitis.	8	
	22	6	18	2	7	18	Measles and pneumonia	10	



ist in case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.

the cause, nature or treatment of the case likely to be of interest or of future use. In case of and re-admissions to hospitals will be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars of admission out of hospital, transfers, etc., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.

Signature of Medical Officer

Developed Measles eight days after admission.

Sent to Military Infectious Hospital.

Lt. Keegan

On July 1. 18 develops cellulitis of neck
arms & H. leg - with considerable oedema of
throat. Dies of the condition 2.7-18

Lt. Keegan



[P.T.O.]

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

Forms
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Regiment of Royal Newfoundland

Number of Sheet One
Signature of O. C. Company A. B. Drake Lieut

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay
No. <u>1078</u>	<u>Madnot Saml B.</u>	Age on	<u>19</u> years <u>1</u> months	<u>Fickerman</u>	
Joined _____	Date _____	Place and Date of Enlistment	<u>St Johns</u> <u>12-6-18</u>	Religion <u>Meth</u>	
Joined _____	Date _____	Period of	<u>with Colours</u> years.	Place of Birth <u>Newfound Land N.S.</u>	
Joined _____	Date _____		<u>with Reserve</u> years.		

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	OFFENCE	Name of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS

To be carried over.

Army Form B. 121.

ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Medical Examination Held at *Headquarters* JUN 3 - 19181. Name *(Surgeon) Hamur J. Hoddinott* Age (a) Declared *19*
(b) Apparent2. Do you know of anything wrong with you? *No.*What severe illnesses have you had? *None*

Eyes. Blue.
Comp. Pale.
Stomach.

3. Height *5'11 1/4* Weight *115*
4. Eyesight (a) Left *6/6* (b) Right *6/6*
5. Physical Defects (Examine after strenuous exercise) *n*

6. Examination of Lungs *n*
Measurement (a) Expiration *29 1/2* (b) Inspiration *33 1/2*

7. Examination of Heart *n*

8. Examination of Urine

9. Examination of Mouth—(Defective Speech)

Teeth

Throat

Nose

Ears—(Otorrhea)

(Deafness)

10. Have you been successfully vaccinated, and when? *No.*11. Name and address of next of kin *Mother Mary Ann Indian Islets NFB*

REMARKS--

*A 11**L. Paterson
A. C. B. J. P.*

Medical Examiners

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



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In case the Message shall never reach its destination by reason of any neglect or default of the N. P. T. or its Servants whilst the Message remains under the control of the N. P. T., they will refund the amount paid by the Sender for such Message.

The N. P. T. shall not be liable to make compensation beyond the amount refunded as above for any loss, injury, or damage arising or resulting from the non-transmission or non-delivery of the Message, or delay or error in the transmission or delivery thereof, howsoever such transmission, non-delivery, delay, or error shall have occurred.

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I request that the following Telegram may be forwarded, according to the foregoing Conditions, by which I agree to abide.

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____ Address St. John's.

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated June 22, 1918.To Mrs. Mary Hoddinott, Indian Island N.D.B.

Regret to inform you that No. 5595 Pte. Sammel
Hoddinott seriously ill

Lieut. Col. W. F. Rendell, C.S.O.



C.R. 5595

THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT
HEADQUARTERS

St. John's, Newfoundland,

July 3rd 1918 191

From Officer Commanding,
Depot

To D.O.C. Newfoundland,
Militia Department



SIR:

5595 Pte. Saml. Hoddinott

I am advised by Dr. Burden that above noted man died last night at 7.30 p.m. at the Military Hospital of Measles and Septicaemia.

Mr. J.C.Oke, undertaker, has been given charge of remains, but owing to nature of disease of which this man died, it is not possible to embalm. If his body is to be sent to his home it will have to be hermetically sealed and cannot be opened again. Mr. Oke is awaiting instructions as to disposal before coffining, as if it is decided to hold his funeral in St John's it will not be necessary to seal coffin.

Will you please advise at earliest convenience.

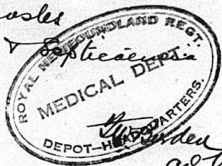
I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant

W. A. [Signature]
Ass't Adjutant
Depot The Royal Newfoundland Regiment
St. John's, Nfld.

COPY TO CASUALTY OFFICER

5595. Daniel Hodderist.
Andon Blvd -
N.S. Bay.

Said at Auxiliary Hosp.
July 2. at 9.30 p.m.
measles



For

1st. Newfoundland Regiment.

July 9th, 1918

From Officer Commanding,
Depot

To Paymaster and Officer i/c Records,
Militia Department

STRENGTH DECREASES BY DEATHS

Undernoted men on Depot strength have died on given dates. Complete documents on file at Depot are sent under separate cover, together with receipts, which please sign and return.

Statement of Company Pay is noted herewith, showing balances due these men, which amounts are now transferred to your Department for transmission to their next of kin.

	<u>Died-</u>	<u>CR. Bal.</u>	<u>Allotment</u>
5595 Pte. S. Hoddinott	2-7-18	\$33.00	None
5613 " S. MacKey	8-7-18	25.30	None
1343 " G. Neville	3-7-18	A/c not on Coy. Pay Sheets	

CR. 5595
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September 7th 1918.

Major C. Macpherson,
Director Medical Services.

5595 Pte. Hoddinett, S.

Sir:

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 6th inst. with reference to the marginally noted man, and in reply I beg to state that I have no official knowledge of any inquiry proposed to be held.

Nothing has been heard in this Department in reference to this case since the report was forwarded to the Colonial Secretary by the Chief Staff Officer.

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

Minister of Militia.



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA
AND QUOTE NO.

5595

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

September 6th., 1918.

J. R. Bennett, Esq.,
Minister of Militia.

5595, Pte. Hoddinott, S.

Sir:-

I have the honour to call to your attention the fact that Dr. Keegan has returned from his holiday and that Major Paterson will be leaving the city on Wednesday next on duty.

Under these circumstances I beg to suggest that a memo be forwarded to the Colonial Secretary's Department so that the enquiry which I understand is to be held into the circumstances surrounding the death of the marginally noted man be held on Monday or Tuesday if possible.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Clay Macpherson

Major, D. M. S.

CM/AMB.

July 23rd., 1918.

Lieut. Col. W. F. Rendell, C. S. O.,
Acting Minister of Militia.

5595. Pte. S. Hoddinott.

Sir:-

I have the honour to forward herewith copies of the following correspondence:-

- (a) Letter from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary to me.
- (b) Attached letter from the Superintendent of the General Hospital.
- (c) Letter from me to Major L. Paterson, Officer i/c of Military Infectious Disease Hospital.
- (d) Report from Major Paterson
- (e) Letter from me to Acting Medical Officer of Health
- (f) Reply from Acting Medical Officer of Health.

I wish to make the following comments on the above:-

(1) The medical evidence shows that The Medical Superintendent of the General Hospital was in error in his statement that Private Hoddinott was not given every care and attention required in the treatment of his case, and entirely in error in his conclusion as to what caused Hoddinott's death. The conclusion stated that the man died because he was not operated upon, and that he was not operated upon because such operation could not be performed because he was not admitted to the General Hospital. The concluding words of Major Paterson's report refute this statement. Major Paterson's report states that the man had "no dyspnoea" on the day of his death. "Dyspnoea" means difficult breathing, and was the condition which threatened to require an operation when the Superintendent of the General Hospital was in consultation with Major Paterson and Dr. Burden on the previous evening. The Superintendent of the General Hospital concluded from insufficient data that the condition for which he was asked to admit the man to Hospital, and refused, had progressed so as to require an operation.

(2) I would call to your attention that the Military Infectious Disease Hospital is the only institution in Newfoundland at present to which a case of measles, as such, can gain admission. In that Institution these cases have the care of two doctors, of trained nurses night and day, with the help of V. A. D's, and in addition a fully trained and experienced Medical Orderly (Sergt. Cooby, M.M. of the Newfoundland Medical Department). Any operation that could be performed in a private house could be

performed there. The operation which the Superintendent of the General Hospital has made the occasion of this report has been performed successfully by me in a kitchen in the middle of the night at a nearby settlement with the local priest and the child's father as my only assistants.

Major Paterson and Dr. Burden were quite correct in wishing to have the man admitted to General Hospital because the facilities for operating, and therefore the patient's chance of recovery, other things being equal, would be better in a well equipped operating room.

The Medical Department, as you are aware, have for some time strongly urged the necessity for the equipment of extra Infectious Disease Wards, and only deprecate that the Superintendent of the General Hospital in urging the same thing has used for the purpose a case where his inexactitude as to facts, and his erroneous conclusions based on insufficient data, have made his letter a most serious reflection on the officer in charge of the Military Infectious Disease Hospital.

Though the Superintendent of the General Hospital's report says "I have not made any further enquiries and therefore do not know if this man was given any surgical aid or not" it appears on enquiry that a nurse at the General Hospital on the morning following Hoddinott's death did ring up the Military Infectious Disease Hospital and enquired of the Matron most particularly whether an operation had been performed or not.

(3) The Superintendent of the General Hospital states the patient was refused admittance:

(a) Because he was a case of measles, but the man had already been in the General Hospital for Pneumonia and was sent by the Superintendent of the General Hospital to the Military Infectious Disease Hospital with a temperature on his arrival of 104 degrees. The report states this was done in consultation with me. The "consultation" was a statement over the 'phone to me that a military patient had developed measles at the General Hospital, and a request that he be admitted to the Military Infectious Disease Hospital, to which I replied that he would be admitted provided the Superintendent of the General Hospital thought him fit to be removed. Also when the Superintendent of the General Hospital was asked to re-admit him there were already three cases of Measles in General Hospital and the presence of another case in the later stages of the disease could increase the danger of infection to a slight extent only.

(b) Because the Acting Medical Officer of Health would not permit his being admitted. Dr. Fraser's letter is sufficient reply to this.

(c) "All the Private Wards were engaged". I understand this to mean "occupied". The Colonial Secretary's Department will have to decide whether so critical a case as the Superintendent of the General Hospital evidently believed this to be, should be refused admittance rather than move a patient occupying a private ward to a screened bed in a public ward.

(d) "that the only place this case could be put was in the Military Ward", but Dr. Burden stated to me that one of these new wards was quite empty of patients when he visited the General Hospital next day to tell the Superintendent of the General Hospital of how Hoddinott was, the morning after the consultation with him.

(3)

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Major.
Director of Medical Services.

(6 enclosures)

July 5th., 1918.

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Dear Sir:-

I wish to report that at present there are three cases of Measles at the General Hospital.

The matter has been reported to the Health Officer who informs me that there is no room at the Fever Hospital to take these patients, consequently they have to be kept in the General Hospital Wards and the result of course will be infection to others on these wards.

I need hardly point out to you that this is a very serious condition of affairs and it endorses the opinion which I have already expressed as to the urgent necessity of enlarging the Fever Hospital.

The Fever Hospital as at present constituted is not large enough to receive infectious cases occurring among the civil population of the city, to say nothing of the Military infectious cases which should undoubtedly be handled in that Institution, moreover as it is at present constituted there is no provision made for undertaking the simplest surgical operation.

You will readily understand that surgical conditions must arise amongst patients suffering from infectious diseases, therefore it is absolutely necessary that in drawing out any plans for the proposed new wing this matter should be given first consideration.

Under existing arrangements neither the civil or military infectious cases can be given any surgical aid, and this has been brought home to us in a very painful manner within the past few days.

On Monday night July 1st., I was asked to see a soldier who was at the Military Road Hospital. I found that his condition was alarming, that he was suffering from an inflammation in front of his windpipe which was causing pressure and difficulty in breathing.

I pointed out to Dr. Burden the necessity of surgical interference stating at the same time that I could not take the patient into the General Hospital without the permission of the Health Authorities

Dr. Burden informed me that no provision had been made for treating surgical emergencies, that on this account he could not then undertake an operation, but that he would see what could be done on the following day. At eleven o'clock on the same night I reported to the Health Officer as to the possibility of taking the man to hospital. All our private wards were engaged and one of the new wards which we had opened had been given over to three cases of infectious Meningitis - which should as a matter of fact been under treatment at the Fever Hospital - under the circumstances the only place I could put the man was in the Military Ward, and the Health Officer considered the risk too great.

On the following morning Dr. Burden came to the hospital and informed me that the patient was better but that he still had some difficulty in breathing. I was operating at the time and could not therefore discuss the matter with him. I knew nothing more about the case till I saw the man's death chronicled. His name was Samuel Hoddinett of Indian Islands.

I have not made any further inquiries and therefore do not know if this man was given any surgical aid or not but I think it is my duty to point out that this man was entitled to the best surgical aid that could be given, and that a great responsibility rests with the Government if proper and immediate provision is not made, as similar cases may occur any time. I presume that the Medical men connected with the Military Hospital had already pointed out to the Government the necessity of providing a small room, with a few appliances where emergency surgery could be handled, and that consequently the responsibility has been removed from them.

I am sure you will agree with me that this is a very important matter, and I respectfully submit that it might be well to call a special meeting of the Executive Council to deal at once with this very serious state of affairs, as I think we are not justified in continuing to conscript men in from the outports and bring them to a city where infection of all kinds is rampant unless we are in a position to give them the best medical and surgical attention.

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

(Sgt) L. E. KEEGAN,
Siperintendent.

Hon. W. W. Halfyard.

July 9th., 1918

Major L. Paterson,

O. C., Military Infectious Disease Hospital.

5595. Pte. Samuel Hoddinott

Dear Sir:-

Copy of letter from Dr. L. E. Keegan to the Colonial Secretary is attached hereto, and I wish to confirm my verbal request for a full report of the circumstances attending the case of the marginally noted man.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) CLUNY MACPHERSON,

Major, D. M. S.

ENCLOSURE.

Reported Sick Parade June 11th. complaining of cough and constipation. He was put on Light Duty.

Reported after Sick Parade on June 14th. complaining of pain in side. Temperature 102. Later examined by self and Dr. Burden. Sent to General Hospital (Provisional diagnosis Fleuris)

He remained in General Hospital from June 14th. until June 22nd. when on his developing Measles he was sent to the M. I. Hospital by Dr. Keegan after consultation with Major Macpherson. This transfer was afterwards reported to me by Major Macpherson.

On admission to the M. I. Hospital his temperature was 104, Pulse 104, Resp: 36. I refer you to his chart for particulars re his general condition while in M. I. Hospital (a copy of which is enclosed)

I visited the Hospital in the morning of July 1st. and found every body in good condition. Heddinott was not any worse nor did he complain of anything especially. He had had retention of urine but this - although needing cauterization - had recovered. He also was vomiting often. This condition had also improved - but not altogether ceased - The severe coughing more or less brought on the vomiting.

I visited the M. I. Hospital again about 7.30 p. m. when my attention was drawn to his condition by the Matron. On examination I found that he had developed a cellulitis condition extending over the neck, chest, back, left forearm and the right leg below the knee. I was then of the opinion that it was some toxemia condition but did not think there was any necessity for anxiety - as I intended visiting later -

Dr. Burden visited at 9.15, came to Barracks and on his reporting to me his condition being much worse and Dyspnoea setting in we decided to send him to the General Hospital as at that time we thought a surgical operation might be necessary if condition of Dyspnoea got worse. Dr. Burden and myself decided to get in communication with Dr. Keegan. Owing to my voice being out of action Dr. Burden telephoned. Dr. Keegan refused to receive the patient as he was an infection case. When Dr. Burden explained more fully the man's condition he said he would like to see the man himself before deciding (I presume about his admission to Hospital) Dr. Burden called for Dr. Keegan and brought him to the M. I. Hospital. Dr. Keegan did not consider any immediate operation necessary and no interference of an active nature until the morning. Dr. Burden then asked him if he would take the patient in General Hospital and isolate him in some way so that he might be watched during the night as the General Hospital had better facilities for operation if such a condition should arise. Dr. Keegan said he could not take the man in the General Hospital without consulting the Acting M. H. O., Dr. Fraser.

The following morning, July 2nd. Dr. Burden visited the M. I. Hospital, saw patient, found him much improved, swellings subsided, Dyspnoea practically nil, brighter and quite conscious and rational. He immediately went to the General Hospital, saw Dr. Keegan and reported man's condition (with the idea of course of removing patient to the General Hospital) Dr. Keegan said that he had telephoned the P. H. O. who said that it was not advisable to admit patient to Hospital on account of Infectious Disease (Measles I presume)

Dr. Burden saw patient again at 6 p. m. and found him breathing quickly, conscious, quite rational, talked to him. Pulse very weak. No Dyspnoea.

Died at 7 P. M.

July 9th., 1918.

M. S. Fraser, Esq., M. D.,
Acting Public Health Officer,
City.

5595. Pte. Samuel Hodgkott

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith copy of letter from Dr. L. E. Keegan to the Colonial Secretary in which reference is made to ruling by you in connection with the marginally noted man, suffering from Measles.

Measles not being an epidemic disease at present I shall be glad to know whether you consider these statements a correct representation of your ruling in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(SGD) CLAREY MACPHERSON,

Major, D. M. S.

ENCLOSURE.

July 18th., 1918

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your communication of July 5th. Dr. Keegan telephoned me regarding the case of Pte. Samuel Hoddinott and made some statements as to how ill he considered the man to be. It was with difficulty I followed his statements as there are times when it is next to impossible to hear anything over my line. I did not understand him to ask my permission as Health Officer to remove the man to Hospital for operation, and had I understood that such a thing was meant, would have refused an opinion at that distance.

I cannot therefore consider the telephonic communication as a "ruling by me" as Health Officer.

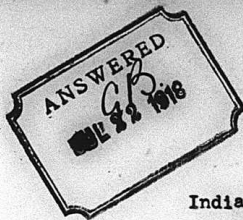
Yours truly,

(Sgt) N. S. FRASER,

Actg. Medical Health Officer

Major Macpherson, C. M. G.,

Department of Militia.



C.R. 5595

Indian Islands.
July 6th. 1918.

W. F. Rendell Lieut.
Col Chief Staff Officer.
1st N.F.L.D. Regt.
St John's.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to inform of you whither No 5595
Pte Samuel Hoddinott left any request before dying?
I would also be glad to know if he
received the two messages sent mother?

Any other item will be greatly
appreciated.

Yours very truly.

William James Hoddinott.
(Bro of deceased)

Per. A.E. Blundon.

July 22nd 1918.

Mr. Wm. J. Hoddinott,
Indian Islands.

Dear Sir;

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 6th inst., in which you ask for particulars in connection with the death of your brother, the late #5595 Pte. Samuel Hoddinott, The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

In reply I may say that Pte. Hoddinott up to the time of his death was quite conscious, and did not seem to think that death was so near, in fact he spoke on many occasions of going home for a visit as soon as he was well. He received the two messages sent by his mother, and on the day of his death he received a letter from her which he read that afternoon. His clergyman was with him also that day, and stayed quite a while with him. As to any request being made by him before he died, there was none, as I have said, practically up to the hour of his death, he had no idea that the end was so near.

Hoping that this information will be satisfactory, and extending to you my very sincere sympathy.

Yours faithfully,

C.G.B.

Captain.

C.R. 5595

Indian Islands
June 24th - 18

To. W. F. Rendell Lieut^t

Dear Sir,

Your telegram of June 21st saying that my son Samuel Hoddinott is not so well has made me feel so anxious that I would like to ask you if you would be so kind to let me know by return mail what his ailment or his sickness is, if you would be so kind as to tell me, as you are aware we havn't an office at the place and it is difficult for me to send messages to the office at Seldom. Therefore I would like for you to just tell me the plain truth about his sickness by so doing you will oblige

Yours truly
Mrs May Hoddinott

C.R. 5595

July 13, 1918

Mrs. Mary Hoddinott,
Indians Islands, N.D.B.

Dear Mrs. Hoddinott,-

I am writing to inform you that it is my regrettable duty to forward to you by "Parcel Post" one package of effects, which belonged to your son the late #5595 Pte. Samuel Hoddinott of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement, and in the renewed sorrow which the receipt of these effects must entail.

I am enclosing herewith, receipt, will you kindly sign same and return at your earliest convenience,

Your sincerely,

M.W.

Lieut.
for Lieut. Col. C.S.O.

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Dated July 3rd, 1918

To Mary Hoddinott Indian Islands, N.D.B.

Very much regret to inform you No. 5-95, Private Samuel Hoddinott died at Military Hospital St. John's of measles and septicaemia July 2nd. Owing to nature of disease, body will have to be buried in St. John's, immediately

W.F. Rendell, Lieut. Col
Chief Staff Officer.

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:
THIS MESSAGE IS NOT TO BE DELIVERED UNTIL WE ARE IN CONTACT WITH THE MINISTER OR SCHOOL TEACHER, INDIAN ISLANDS HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON.

FOR TYPEWRITER

Sept 1918



July 3rd 1918

From Officer Commanding,
Depot

To D.O.C. Newfoundland,
Militia Department

SIR:

2595 Pte. Saml. Hoddinott

I am advised by Dr. Burden that above noted man died last night at 7.30 p.m. at the Military Hospital of Measles and Septicaemia.

Mr. J.C.Oke, undertaker, has been given charge of remains, but owing to nature of disease of which this man died, it is not possible to embalm. If his body is to be sent to his home it will have to be hermetically sealed and cannot be opened again. Mr. Oke is awaiting instructions as to disposal before coffining, as if it is decided to hold his funeral in St John's it will not be necessary to seal coffin.

Will you please advise at earliest convenience.

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

Copy to Casualty Officer

Counter No. 5595

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Dated July 3rd, 1918

To Metho 1st Minister or School Teacher, Indian Islands, N.D.B.

Regret to inform you No. 5595 Private Samuel Hoddinott died at Military Hospital, St. John's, July 2nd of measles and septicaemia Please inform next of kin.

W.F. Rendell, Lieut. Col.

Royal Newfoundland Regiment

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July 3rd 1918

I am of opinion that
it would be advisable
that the remains of
8 Huddell 5895
be buried immediately

W. P. [Signature]

For

Royal Newfoundland Regiment

C.R. 5595

July 31st, 1918

From Officer Commanding,
Depot

To D.O.C. Newfoundland,
Militia Department

SIR:

5595 Pte. Saml. Hoddinott

I am advised by Dr. Burden that above noted man died last night at 7.30 p.m. at the Military Hospital of Measles and Septicaemia.

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Will you please advise at earliest convenience.

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

W. H. J. P.
Asst Adjutant
Depot The Royal Newfoundland Regiment
St. John's, Nfld.

copy for Quartermaster's Office.

C.R. 5595

July 31st, 1918

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Depot

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Will you please advise at earliest convenience.

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

W. H. J. P.
Asst Adjutant
Depot The Royal Newfoundland Regiment
St. John's, Nfld.

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Address Dept of Militia. _____

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Dated July 2nd, 1918

To Mary Hoddinott, Indian Island N.D.B.

Regret to inform you No. 5595, Private Samuel Hoddinott still dangerously ill at General Hospital.

W.F. Rendell, Lieut. Col
Chief Staff Officer

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Dated June 26, 1918.

To Mrs. Mary Hoddinott, Indian Islands, N.B.

I regret to inform you that #0.5595 Pto
S. Hoddinott, still seriously ill at Military
Hospital St. John's.

Lieut. Col. W. F. Rendell.

C.R. 5595

Extract from Daily Orders part 11, from Unit The Royal
Nfld. Regt. St. John's, dated June 5, 1918.

#5595 Pte. S. Hoddinott.

Attested for General Service with the Royal Nfld. Regt.
from 3.6.18

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Dated

June 18th 1918

To

Mary Hoddinott, Indian Islands, N.D.B.

No. 5595, Pte. Samuel Hoddinott improved.

W.F. Rendell, Lieut. Col

Chief Staff Officer.

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Dated June 17th 1918.

To Mrs Mary Hoddinott, Indian Islands, N.D.B.

Beg to inform you that 5595 Pte. Samuel Hoddinott is now improving.

W.F. Rendell,
Lieut. Col., C.S.O.,

for Minister of Militia.

C.R. Counter No. 595

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Dated **June 20th 1918.**

To **Mrs Mary Hoddinott, Indian Islands, N.D.B.**

5595 Pte Samuel Hoddinott improved.

W.F.Rendell,

Lieut.Col. C.S.O.

for Minister of Militia.

C.R. 5375
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Dated June 21st 1918.

To Mrs Mary Hoddinott,
Indian Islands, N.D.B.

Regret to inform you that your son 5595 Pte Samuel Hoddinott is not so well.

W.F. Kendall,
Lieut. Col. C.B.O.
for Minister of Militia.

C.R. 5595

July 24th 1918.

Hon. W. W. Halfyard,
Colonial Secretary.

Sir:

I have the honour to forward the attached file of correspondence dealing largely with the case of #5595 Pte. Samuel Hoddinott, who died at the Military Infectious Disease Hospital, on July 2nd. It will be noticed that the letter from the Director of Medical Services, dated July 23rd, states that a most serious reflection has been made on the Officer in charge of the Military Infectious Disease Hospital, and it is hoped that this may be withdrawn.

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

Lieut. Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer,
for Minister of Militia.



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

July 23rd., 1918.

Lieut. Col. W. F. Rendell, C. S. O.,
Acting Minister of Militia.

5595, Pte. S. Hoddinott

Sir:-

I have the honour to forward herewith copies of the following correspondence:-

- (a) Letter from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary to me.
- (b) Attached letter from the Superintendent of the General Hospital.
- (c) Letter from me to Major L. Paterson, Officer i/c of Military Infectious Disease Hospital.
- (d) Report from Major Paterson
- (e) Letter from me to Acting Medical Officer of Health
- (f) Reply from Acting Medical Officer of Health.

I wish to make the following comments on the above:-

(1) The medical evidence shows that The Medical Superintendent of the General Hospital was in error in his statement that Private Hoddinott was not given every care and attention required in the treatment of his case, and entirely in error in his conclusion as to what caused Hoddinott's death. The conclusion stated that the man died because he was not operated upon, and that he was not operated upon because such operation could not be performed because he was not admitted to the General Hospital. The concluding words of Major Paterson's report refute this statement. Major Paterson's report states that the man had "no dyspnoea" on the day of his death. "Dyspnoea" means difficult breathing, and was the condition which threatened to require an operation when the Superintendent of the General Hospital was in consultation with Major Paterson and Dr. Burden on the previous evening. The Superintendent of the General Hospital concluded from insufficient data that the condition for which he was asked to admit the man to Hospital, and refused, had progressed so as to require an operation.

(2) I would call to your attention that the Military Infectious Disease Hospital is the only institution in Newfoundland at present to which a case of measles, as such, can gain admission. In that Institution these cases have the care of two doctors, of trained nurses night and day, with the help of V. A. D's, and in addition a fully trained and experienced Medical Orderly (Sergt. Gooby, M.M. of the Newfoundland Medical Department) Any operation that could be performed in a private house could be

performed there. The operation which the Superintendent of the General Hospital has made the occasion of this report has been performed successfully by me in a kitchen in the middle of the night at a nearby settlement with the local priest and the child's father as my only assistants.

Major Paterson and Dr. Burden were quite correct in wishing to have the man admitted to General Hospital because the facilities for operating, and therefore the patient's chance of recovery, other things being equal, would be better in a well equipped operating room.

The Medical Department, as you are aware, have for some time strongly urged the necessity for the equipment of extra Infectious Disease Wards, and only deprecate that the Superintendent of the General Hospital in urging the same thing has used for the purpose a case where his inexactitude as to facts, and his erroneous conclusions based on insufficient data, have made his letter a most serious reflection on the officer in charge of the Military Infectious Disease Hospital.

Though the Superintendent of the General Hospital's report says "I have not made any further enquiries and therefore do not know if this man was given any surgical aid or not" it appears on enquiry that a nurse at the General Hospital on the morning following Hoddinott's death did ring up the Military Infectious Disease Hospital and enquired of the Matron most particularly whether an operation had been performed or not.

(3) The Superintendent of the General Hospital states the patient was refused admittance:

(a) Because he was a case of measles, but the man had already been in the General Hospital for Pneumonia and was sent by the Superintendent of the General Hospital to the Military Infectious Disease Hospital with a temperature on his arrival of 104 degrees. The report states this was done in consultation with me. The "consultation" was a statement over the 'phone to me that a military patient had developed measles at the General Hospital, and a request that he be admitted to the Military Infectious Disease Hospital, to which I replied that he would be admitted provided the Superintendent of the General Hospital thought him fit to be removed. Also when the Superintendent of the General Hospital was asked to re-admit him there were already three cases of Measles in General Hospital and the presence of another case in the later stages of the disease could increase the danger of infection to a slight extent only.

(b) Because the Acting Medical Officer of Health would not permit his being admitted. Dr. Fraser's letter is sufficient reply to this.

(c) "All the Private Wards were engaged". I understand this to mean "occupied". The Colonial Secretary's Department will have to decide whether so critical a case as the Superintendent of the General Hospital evidently believed this to be, should be refused admittance rather than move a patient occupying a private ward to a screened bed in a public ward.

(d) "that the only place this case could be put was in the Military Ward", but Dr. Burden stated to me that one of these new wards was quite empty of patients when he visited the General Hospital next day to tell the Superintendent of the General Hospital of how Hoddinott was, the morning after the consultation with him.

(3)

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Cluny Macpherson

Major.
Director of Medical Services.

(6 enclosures)

COPY

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July 6th., 1918

Sir:-

I have the honour to enclose herewith copy of letter addressed to me by Dr. L. E. Keegan under date of 5th inst. respecting cases of Measles at the General Hospital. Dr. Keegan also refers to the case of a soldier at the Military Road Hospital who died there. There are several points about this letter which the Government are at a loss to understand, and I shall be glad if you will kindly look into the same and make a report regarding the facts for the information of the Government with any recommendation you may think proper.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) W. W. HALFYARD,

Colonial Secretary.

Major C. Macpherson,

Director of Medical Services.

C.R. 5595
Counter No. _____

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Dated June 15th, 1918

To Mary Hoddintott, Indian Islds. N.D.B.

Beg to inform you that No. 5595, Private Samuel Hoddintott at General Hospital improving.

W.F. Rendell Lieut. Col

Chief Staff Officer.

July 5th., 1918.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to report that at present there are three cases of Measles at the General Hospital.

The matter has been reported to the Health Officer who informs me that there is no room at the Fever Hospital to take these patients, consequently they have to be kept in the General Hospital Wards and the result of course will be infection to others on these wards.

I need hardly point out to you that this is a very serious condition of affairs and it endorses the opinion which I have already expressed as to the urgent necessity of enlarging the Fever Hospital.

The Fever Hospital as at present constituted is not large enough to receive infectious cases occurring among the civil population of the city, to say nothing of the Military infectious cases which should undoubtedly be handled in that Institution, moreover as it is at present constituted there is no provision made for undertaking the simplest surgical operation.

You will readily understand that surgical conditions must arise amongst patients suffering from infectious diseases, therefore it is absolutely necessary that in drawing out any plans for the proposed new wing this matter should be given first consideration.

Under existing arrangements neither the civil or military infectious cases can be given any surgical aid, and this has been brought home to us in a very painful manner within the past few days.

On Monday night July 1st., I was asked to see a soldier who was at the Military Road Hospital. I found that his condition was alarming, that he was suffering from an inflammation in front of his windpipe which was causing pressure and difficulty in breathing.

I pointed out to Dr. Burden the necessity of surgical interference stating at the same time that I could not take the patient into the General Hospital without the permission of the Health Authorities

Dr. Burden informed me that no provision had been made for treating surgical emergencies, that on this account he could not then undertake an operation, but that he would see what could be done on the following day. At eleven o'clock on the same night I reported to the Health Officer as to the possibility of taking the man to hospital. All our private wards were engaged and one of the new wards which we had opened had been given over to three cases of infectious Meningitis - which should as a matter of fact been under treatment at the Fever Hospital - under the circumstances the only place I could put the man was in the Military Ward, and the Health Officer considered the risk too great.

On the following morning Dr. Burden came to the hospital and informed me that the patient was better but that he still had some difficulty in breathing. I was operating at the time and could not therefore discuss the matter with him. I knew nothing more about the case till I saw the man's death chronicled. His name was Samuel Hoddinott of Indian Islands.

I have not made any further inquiries and therefore do not know if this man was given any surgical aid or not but I think it is my duty to point out that this man was entitled to the best surgical aid that could be given, and that a great responsibility rests with the Government if proper and immediate provision is not made, as similar cases may occur any time. I presume that the Medical men connected with the Military Hospital had already pointed out to the Government the necessity of providing a small room, with a few appliances where emergency surgery could be handled, and that consequently the responsibility has been removed from them.

I am sure you will agree with me that this is a very important matter, and I respectfully submit that it might be well to call a special meeting of the Executive Council to deal at once with this very serious state of affairs, as I think we are not justified in continuing to conscript men in from the outports and bring them to a city where infection of all kinds is rampant unless we are in a position to give them the best medical and surgical attention.

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

(Sgt) L. E. KEEGAN,
Siperintendent.

Hon. W. W. Halfyard.

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July 9th., 1918

Major L. Paterson,

O. C., Military Infectious Disease Hospital.

5595. Pte. Samuel Hoddinett

Dear Sir:-

Copy of letter from Dr. L. E. Keegan to the Colonial Secretary is attached hereto, and I wish to confirm my verbal request for a full report of the circumstances attending the case of the marginally noted man.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) OLUNY MACPHERSON,

Major, D. M. S.

ENCLOSURE.

Reported Sick Parade June 11th. complaining of cough and constipation. He was put on Light Duty.

Reported after Sick Parade on June 14th. complaining of pain in side. Temperature 102. Later examined by self and Dr. Burden. Sent to General Hospital (Provisional diagnosis Pleurisy)

He remained in General Hospital from June 14th. until June 22nd. when on his developing Measles he was sent to the M.I. Hospital by Dr. Keegan after consultation with Major Macpherson. This transfer was afterwards reported to me by Major Macpherson.

On admission to the M. I. Hospital his temperature was 104, Pulse 104, Resp: 36. I refer you to his chart for particulars re his general condition while in M. I. Hospital (a copy of which is enclosed)

I visited the Hospital in the morning of July 1st. and found every body in good condition. Hoddinott was not any worse nor did he complain of anything especially. He had had retention of urine but this - although needing cauterization - had recovered. He also was vomiting often. This condition had also improved - but not altogether ceased - The severe coughing more or less brought on the vomiting.

I visited the M. I. Hospital again about 7.30 p. m. when my attention was drawn to his condition by the Matron. On examination I found that he had developed a cellulitis condition extending over the neck, chest, back, left forearm and the right leg below the knee. I was then of the opinion that it was some toxemia condition but did not think there was any necessity for anxiety - as I intended visiting later -

Dr. Burden visited at 9.15, came to Barracks and on his reporting to me his condition being much worse and Dyspnoea setting in we decided to send him to the General Hospital as at that time we thought a surgical operation might be necessary if condition of Dyspnoea got worse. Dr. Burden and myself decided to get in communication with Dr. Keegan. Owing to my voice being out of action Dr. Burden telephoned. Dr. Keegan refused to receive the patient as he was an infection case. When Dr. Burden explained more fully the man's condition he said he would like to see the man himself before deciding (I presume about his admission to Hospital) Dr. Burden called for Dr. Keegan and brought him to the M. I. Hospital. Dr. Keegan did not consider any immediate operation necessary and no interference of an active nature until the morning. Dr. Burden then asked him if he would take the patient in General Hospital and isolate him in some way so that he might be watched during the night as the General Hospital had better facilities for operation if such a condition should arise. Dr. Keegan said he could not take the man in the General Hospital without consulting the Acting R. H. O., Dr. Fraser.

The following morning, July 2nd. Dr. Burden visited the M. I. Hospital, saw patient, found him much improved, swellings subsided, Dyspnoea practically nil, brighter and quite conscious and rational. He immediately went to the General Hospital, saw Dr. Keegan and reported man's condition (with the idea of course of removing patient to the General Hospital) Dr. Keegan said that he had telephoned the P. H. O. who said that it was not advisable to admit patient to Hospital on account of Infectious Disease (Measles I presume)

Dr. Burden saw patient again at 6 p. m. and found him breathing quickly, conscious, quite rational, talked to him. Pulse very weak. No Dyspnoea.

Died at 7 P. M.

(Sd.) L. Paterson

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July 9th., 1918.

N. S. Fraser, Esq., M. D.,
Acting Public Health Officer,
City.

5595. Pte. Samuel Hoddinott

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith copy of letter from Dr. L. E. Keegan to the Colonial Secretary in which reference is made to ruling by you in connection with the marginally noted man, suffering from Measles.

Measles not being an epidemic disease at present I shall be glad to know whether you consider these statements a correct representation of your ruling in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(SGD) CLUNY MACPHERSON,

Major, D. M. S.

ENCLOSURE.

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COPY

July 18th., 1918

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your communication of July 5th. Dr. Keegan telephoned me regarding the case of Pte. Samuel Hoddinott and made some statements as to how ill he considered the man to be. It was with difficulty I followed his statements as there are times when it is next to impossible to hear anything over my line. I did not understand him to ask my permission as Health Officer to remove the man to Hospital for operation, and had I understood that such a thing was meant, would have refused an opinion at that distance.

I cannot therefore consider the telephonic communication as a "ruling by me" as Health Officer.

Yours truly,

(Sgd) N. S. FRASER,

Actg. Medical Health Officer

Major Macpherson, C. M. G.,

Department of Militia.

Mrs Mary Ann Hodderott, Admpt
5595 Avenue Hodderott

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AUG 29 1922

RECEIVED from the Royal Newfoundland Regiment the sum of
Seventy five $\frac{14}{100}$ Dollars
on account of

5595 Phi Samuel Hodson
Indian Seco. N.D.B.

Died at Military Hospital
7:30 pm. 2-7-18 of Malaria
and Septicæmia. Body
Coffined by OR. Could
not be embalmed owing to
disease which cause of
death. Funeral to
Gen. Protestant Cemetery

11-7-18.

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

The Royal Nfld. Regt.

Dept. of Militia,

ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.

NO STAMP REQUIRED



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Dept. of Militia,
St. John's.

July 13th 1922 5595

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 5595 Rank *Plt*

Name *Samuel Hoddinott*
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

"Mrs' Mary A. Hoddinott (Sgd.)

His Mother Relationship.

Address *Indian Islands Fogo St. J.*



Reg. No. 5595 Rank *Pvt* Name *Hedding H. S.*

Attested *6-18* Address *Indian Island*

Allotment..... Allottee

Date of Allotment..... Returned from Overseas.....

Embarked for Overseas..... Cause.....



5 6/8 *face. 13/6/18. 1st mo*

14 6/8 *Ad. to General Hosp. Pleasing*

22 6/8 *Discharged General Hosp, and
Admitted to M. I. C. same date*

Didy by I. O. 2/7/18

August 29th. 1922

Mrs Mary Ann Heddinott,
Indian Islands,
Fogo.

Dear Madam:-

I enclose cheque for \$75.14, being the balance due
by this Department to the estate of your late son, Pte. Samuel
Heddinott, No. 5595., payable to you as Administratrix.

Letters of Administration are also enclosed.

Yours truly,

Major
Paymaster