

C.R. 0-67



GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
ST JOHNS,  
NEWFOUNDLAND.

MEMORANDUM.

To Chief Staff Officer,  
Militia Department.

19th March 1923.

(Superintendent P.J. O'Neill)

I have to acknowledge your letter of the 14th  
March, with enclosures.

Thank you for collecting the information asked  
for concerning the War record of Superintendent P.J.  
O'Neill.

I doubt the Superintendent being awarded the War  
Medals claimed by him; but his case will be forwarded  
to the Admiralty for a decision.

*P. F. Williams Bell*

Major.

Military Secretary & A.D.C.



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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
ST JOHN'S,  
NEWFOUNDLAND.

Memorandum.

To Chief Staff Officer,  
Department of Militia.

Please acquaint me for the information of His Excellency, what action has been taken with reference to the claim by Superintendent P.J. O'Neill of the Newfoundland Constabulary for the award of War Medals? All correspondence in connection with this claim was forwarded to you on the 15th February, but I have had no acknowledgment of it having been received by the Department of Militia for necessary action.

*D. F. Williams - Bell*

Military Secretary & A.D.C.

15 March 1923.



GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
ST JOHN'S,  
NEWFOUNDLAND.

15 February 1923.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency to forward to you for your remarks the attached correspondence with reference to a claim by Superintendent P.J. O'Neill of the Newfoundland Constabulary for the award of certain War Medals.

Superintendent O'Neill was commissioned during the Great War of 1914-18 as an Officer in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment; but he was detailed for duty in connection with the Coastal patrol of Northern Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Department of Marine & Fisheries state that he does not qualify under the Regulations for the award of the Mercantile Marine Medals.

It would appear that as Superintendent O'Neill was borne on the strength of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment his documents giving his record of services during the war should be in their possession.

It is necessary to confirm his claim before it can be forwarded to the proper authorities at the Admiralty. Please give your opinion in this case and return the correspondence.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*P. J. Wilson-Lane-Bell* Major.

Military Secretary & A.D.C.

Chief Staff Officer,  
Dept. of Militia.

March 14 1923.

Military Secretary & A.D.C.  
Government House.

(Supt. P. J. O'Neil)

Sir, I regret that my reply to your letter of 15th. February has been so long delayed. I have been endeavoring to collect records of his services from various sources.

The details of the temporary Commission held by Superintendent P. J. O'Neil are as follows:-

On 15th. June 1916 he was granted a temporary Commission as Honorary 2nd. Lieutenant, and was detailed for duty on Coast Patrol under the Home Defence Committee. (The Home Defence Committee was a sub-committee under the Newfoundland Patriotic Association - prior to the creation of the Militia Department). He was gasetted out on termination of his duties, 27th. November, 1916. The Patrol service was renewed in 1917, and on 22nd. May Superintendent O'Neil was again gasetted, this time as Lieutenant, his temporary commission terminating on 8th. November, 1917. Again, in 1918, he received a temporary commission as Lieutenant on the 13th. July, which was effective until his duties ceased on 24th. October 1918.

On the 8th. July, 1918, he received a Commission as Justice of the Peace, in order to carry out magisterial duties on the Labrador coast.

When the Patrol service was instituted a number of Royal Naval Reservists were detailed for duty on the Patrol boats as gunners etc., and it was considered essential to



have a commissioned officer in command, apart from the Captain of the boat. The Patrol service was under the Home Defence Committee- a committee composed of representatives of the Newfoundland Patriotic Association and of the Government. This Patrol was placed, for orders, under the Senior Naval Officer, Newfoundland (who happened to be the Commander of the training ship, H.M.S. 'Briton'). As, under Admiralty regulations, it was impossible to grant a Naval Commission to the men in command of the Patrol boats, and, as already stated, it was deemed advisable that such men should hold Commissions, it was decided to grant them temporary Commissions in the Regiment.

War Medals granted to members of the Regiment are, of course, issued under authority of, and in accordance with Army Orders. Mr. O'Neil does not qualify for the British War Medal or the Victory Medal as issued to members of the Military forces.

It would appear that, under the circumstances, any War Medals that might be issuable in this instance should come from the Admiralty. The position is perhaps, unique, and is due to the fact that Newfoundland no Naval officers for the required duty, the Admiralty did not supply the officers, and the arrangement between the local defence authorities, the governor, and the Senior Naval Officer was the only alternative. During the periods of Mr. O'Neil's service on Patrol duty his pay from the Constabulary was continued, and was augmented by this Department to make his total remuneration equal to that of an officer of a

Regiment of his rank. He did not at any time serve with  
a military unit.

I am returning the correspondence herewith, please.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.

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Constabulary Department,  
St. John's, November 28: 1918.

Sir,-

I beg leave to acknowledge receipt of your communication No. 0-67 of the 23rd., instant with my Commission enclosed for which I thank you very much.

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

*P. J. O'Neill.*  
Sergeant.

Lieut-Col. W. F. Rendell,  
Chief Staff Officer,  
Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

C.R. 0-67

Nov. 23rd. 18.

Lieut. P. J. O'Neill,  
Central Fire Hall,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

I am forwarding herewith, your  
Commission with extract to Militia Orders No.25,  
concerning your retirement duly endorsed.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.  
Chief Staff Officer.



C.R. 0-67

Nov. 18th. 18.

Lieut. P.J. O'Neill,  
Central Fire Hall,

Dear Sir:-

I should be glad if you will let me have your Commission to enable me to have it endorsed in the terms of the extract in the Royal Gazette, referring to your retirement.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.  
Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 0-67

Nov. 18th. 18.

To: Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,

From: Chief Staff Officer.

LIEUT. P.J. O'NEILL

Please note that this Officer was employed from the 13th. July, 1918. to the 24th. October, 1918.

He is to be credited with the difference between his pay as a member of the Constabulary Force and the pay of his rank as an Officer of the Regiment, your calculations to include both the dates before mentioned.

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.



# DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

November, 14th, 1918.

The Honourable,  
The Minister of Militia,  
St. John's.

Re-Lieut. Patrick J. O'Neill.

Sir:-

In connection with the appointment of the above mentioned Officer, I have the honour to bring the following facts to your attention:

I sent for Lieut. O'Neill and asked him to bring his Commission. The Commission was issued on the 25th., May, 1917, signed by the Colonial Secretary and endorsed by his Excellency the Governor and the Attorney General, and having the great Seal of the Dominion thereon.

This Commission, which was effective from 22nd., May, 1917, appointed Constable Patrick J. O'Neill as a Lieutenant in the 1st. Newfoundland Regiment.

This appointment was not Gazetted; but the attached copy of letter from the Colonial Secretary to Lieut. O'Neill, and the Commission which was issued to him, prove that it was the intention of the Home Defence Committee, supported by the Government, that O'Neill should serve as an Officer of the Regiment. In view of the fact that he was employed on Patrol Duties, it seems that it might have been intended to issue a temporary Commission in-stead of a permanent one.

This, however, was not done, and when this Officer's services were required again this year the permanent Commission issued last year, which had not been cancelled, appears to have been the authority for him to be employed as an Officer of the Regiment.

*Approved  
Lieut. Bernard  
Minister of Militia*



## DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

November, 14th., 1918.....

The Honourable,  
The Minister of Militia,  
St. John's.

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It is submitted, that this Department should have been notified before such action was taken.

I have the honour to recommend, that this Officer should be Gazetted as Lieutenant with effect from 22nd., May, 1917, to the date on which his services ended last year, quoting the authority as the Home Defence Committee or the Colonial Secretary on behalf of the Executive Government.

In view of the fact, that this permanent Commission issued last year, was not cancelled, but was still effective this year, I recommend further, that he be Gazetted as Lieutenant, temporary, with effect from the date on which he commenced Patrol Service duties this year, and ceasing at the termination of his duties.

In 1916 and 1917 this Officer received remuneration equal to the difference between his pay in the Constabulary Force and the Pay of Rank, with Field Allowance, of an Officer of the Regiment. I would suggest, that you authorize the same remuneration for this year.

His employment this year, without reference to this Department and without the knowledge of this Department, was irregular, and the procedure which I have outlined seems to me to be the best way to regularize this matter.

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

Lieut. Col.  
C.S.O.



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Nov. 9th, 191

Lieut. P.J. O'Neil  
C/o Central Fire Hall  
C I T Y

Dear Sir:-

I should be glad if you will  
call at my Office to see me, as soon as will be  
convenient to you.


Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

*Please bring your commissions.*

*R.  
P.H. H.G.*



H.M.S. "BRITON",

St. John's, Nfld.,

November 7th. 1918.



Sir:-

I have the honour to acknowledge your letter of the 4th. inst., with reference to the Commission held by Mr. P.J. O'Neil, in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Whilst the question of the Commission held by this Officer would appear to be purely a matter for your Department, I have, however, ascertained the following facts, which I give you for your information.

Mr. O'Neil, in 1916 was granted a Commission as second Lieutenant, on the authority of the Home Defence Committee, to carry out Patrol duties.

In 1917, on account of his excellent work during 1916 Patrol season, he was recommended for promotion and granted Commission as Lieutenant in the Newfoundland Regiment. This was signed by Governor and Commander-in-Chief, then Sir. Walter E. Davidson on the 25th. May, 1917, giving him seniority as Lieutenant from 22nd. May, 1917.

This Commission is a "permanent" one, and with no mention in any sense of being "temporary".

On the 8th. July, 1918, Mr. O'Neil received a Commission as Justice of the Peace, in order to carry out Magisterial duties on the Labrador Coast.

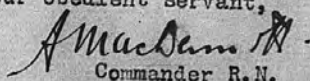
The question of the Executive Commission then came up, and it is understood, that a temporary Commission in the Regiment was to have been prepared; but as Lieutenant O'Neil was already in possession of a "permanent" Commission this was deemed to be quite un-necessary.

On the 15th. July, the Colonial Secretary, acting for the Government sent Lieutenant O'Neil to me for orders, as having dealt with the Labrador Patrol in previous years, I was, perhaps more conversant than anybody else with matters on that Coast.

I hope this will clear the matter up, especially as it would appear that complete records of the Home Defence Committee were not turned over to your Department.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Commander R.N.

Senior Naval Officer.

Hon. J.R. Bennett,  
Minister of Militia,  
City.

November 4th 1918.

Commander J. MacDermott, S.N.O.,

H.M.S. "Briton".

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo covering a copy of a report from Lieut. P.J.O'Neil on his visit to Labrador Stations during the past Summer.

With reference to this matter I find that there is no record in this Department to show that Lieut. O'Neil was detailed for this work as an Officer of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Last year, as in former years, he was sent by the Home Defence Committee. He was Gazetted as Temporary Lieutenant, his services expired in November 1917, after which he took up his usual occupation with the Constabulary, and ceased his connections with the Regiment. There has been no record of his being Gazetted this year, and no instructions have been given him by this Department. I would be glad, therefore, if you will advise me under what authority this Officer proceeded on duty as an Officer of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment so that proper records may be made of the duties entrusted to him.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Minister of Militia.



C.R. 0-67

## DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

November 2, 1918.

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

Sir:-

Lt. P.J.O'Neil.

With reference to communication from the Senior Naval Officer to you dated October 25th, enclosing report from the marginally named officer in connection with work done on the Labrador Coast.

I would draw your attention to the fact that there is no record in the Department of Militia to show that this man was detailed as an officer of the Newfoundland Regiment, for work, under which he would incur obligations as a member of the Military Forces of this Dominion.

Lieutenant O'Neil, last year as in former years was sent out under the Home Defence Committee and was gazetted as a temporary lieutenant, his period of service expiring in November 1917, after which he took up his usual duties with the constabulary and ceased to have any connection with the Regiment. I cannot find any record of his having been gazetted this year, nor is there a record of any instructions given to him through this department.

I would suggest, in order that the matter might be kept regular and that a proper record may be preserved of the duties entrusted to Lieut. O'Neil, that the Senior Naval Officer be asked to advise you under what authority this officer proceeded on duty as an officer of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

I understand that Lieut. O'Neil holds a commission signed by the late Governor as Lieutenant. I am of opinion that this commission was only of a temporary nature covering such time as Lieut. O'Neil was performing duties calling for Military rank, and that at the expiration of his temporary service the commission would lapse. I would suggest that this be also looked into so that the proper position and record may be established.

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

Major.  
District Officer Commanding.  
Newfoundland.

Minister of Militia,  
City.



H.M.S. BRITON  
ST. JOHN'S  
NEWFOUNDLAND

C.R. 0-67

October 25th. 1918.

Sir:-

I have the honour to attach herewith copy of report of Lieutenant P.J. O'Neil, on his visit to Labrador Stations during past Summer.

A copy has been forwarded to His Excellency, The Governor.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

*MacDermid*

Commander. R.N.

Senior Naval Officer.

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

COPY

St. John's,

October 22nd. 1918.

Sir:-

I have the honour to report that in accordance with your instructions I left St. John's on the Steamship "WREN" July 19th. and proceeded to Labrador for the purpose of patrolling as far as possible the Bays and Inlets which might be used by the Enemy as shelters or bases for Submarines or their supply ships, and to visit the Moravian Missionaries in order to ascertain whether they were faithful to the Declaration which they made in 1915.

On arriving on the Labrador Coast, we visited the Bays and Inlets and warned the Liveyers to be on the look-out for suspicious vessels or persons, and instructed them how to act in case of emergency. We also visited all places on Northern Labrador Coast, where fishing Schooners from Newfoundland were anchored, and gave the fishermen the same instructions.

We next visited the Moravian Mission Stations and enquired into the number, ages and soforth of foreigners living therein. The following are the names of the Missionaries and their storekeepers and the names of the different places where they are stationed :-

MAKOVIK.....Rev. Berthold-Lenz, German.

George Jack, Native, Storekeeper.

HOPEDALE.....Rev. Walter W. Perrett, English.

Carl Bohlmann, German, Storekeeper.

Commander A.J. MacDermott, R.N.

H.M.S. "BRITON",

C I T Y.

NAIN.....Rev. Paul Bettasch, German.

" Henrich Simon, " 9

James Macleavy, English, Storekeeper.

OKAK.....Rev. Sigmunt Waldmann, German.

" Herman Asboe, English.

Victor A. Ward, English, Storekeeper.

William Jager, Austrian, do.

HEBRON....Bishop Martine, German.

Wilhelm A. Merkloin, German, Storekeeper.

KILLINEK..Rev. Squire Towaly, English.

Chasley Ford, Native, Storekeeper.

The ages of the above named and the names and ages of their wives and families I forwarded to you in 1917.

The following is an inventory of Rifles, Ammunition and oils which I found at the different Mission Stations :-

MARKOVIL..1 Rifle. 1 Shot-Gun. 9,400 Cartridges. 10 casks Kero oil.

3 gallons Gasolene.

HOPEDALS..6,859 Cartridges. 250 lbs. Powder. 3 casks Gasolene.

16 Casks Kero oil. No Rifles.

NAIN.....800 galls. Kero oil. 200 galls. Gasolene. 23,550 Ball

Cartridges. 320 Shot Cartridges. 3 Shot Guns No Rifles.

OKAK.....10, 420 Cartridges. 460 lbs. Powder. 8 Casks Gasolene.

37 Casks Kero oil. No Rifles or Shot Guns.

HEBRON....18,153 Cartridges. 4 Rifles. 4 Shot Guns 400 lbs. Powder

470 galls. Kero oil. 3 galls. Gasolene.

Although as you will notice, I found large quantities of ammunition at some of the Mission Stations, a great deal of it was obsolete, and as the Missionaries can only get ammunition once in each year, by the Mission Ship, "HARMONY", they have to keep a good supply on hand, for the use of the Eskimo, the greater part

of whom depend on the gun for their living, especially during the Winter months.

After making searching enquiries along the Coast, I found that the Missionaries and their storekeepers are conducting themselves properly, so far as the War is concerned. I don't think there is any danger to be feared from them, so long as Enemy Submarines keep off the Coast, and their letters and correspondences are properly censored.

We had several reports of Submarines being sighted off the Coast during the Summer, all of which we investigated but could find nothing reliable in them. All of these emanated from the Natives, and in almost every place where the Submarine was supposed to have been sighted, the water was so shoal that no Commander would risk his Ship in the vicinity.

The number of Eskimo now under the control of the Moravian Missionaries numbers Twelve hundred and Seventy One, made up as follows:-

Makkovik.....	184
Hopedale.....	217
Main.....	242
Okak.....	263
Hebron.....	222
Killinek.....	143

Formerly, many of them were to be found on the Southern Shore of Labrador, but <sup>now</sup> there are few or none South of Makkovik; for as civilization advances up the Coast, the Eskimo race dies out and he disappears.

During the last five years, the birth and death rates about balance each other, as the following figured show :-



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Population.....	1913.....	1261
" .....	1914.....	1276
" .....	1915.....	1274
" .....	1916.....	1244
" .....	1917.....	1271

Some decades ago, the Eskimo of the Labrador Coast was of a fibre tougher than he is now, that was before certain of the people permitted themselves to be taken as exhibits to the Chicago and other exhibitions. They brought back with them typhoid and diphtheria, besides other diseases, all peculiarly fatal to wilderness organizations.

The policy of the Mission was to keep the Eskimo as free as possible from contact with the floating, white, fishing population and to do so they obtain exclusive trading rites from our Government; but of late years, the fishermen and traders have been visiting the Eskimo villages, and I am sorry to say not for the benefit of the Eskimon morally or otherwise.

Rev. Mr. Perrett of Hopedale, an English clergyman, who has the welfare of the Eskimo at heart, informed me this Summer, that it is the intention of the Mission to commence a boarding school at Makkovik in the near future, where no language other than the English will be taught the Natives and Eskimo.

For my part, I think this is a move in the right direction, as heretofore, nothing but the Eskimo and German language was taught in the schools; consequently, only a small percentage of the Eskimo can speak English. All the expenses in connection with this school will be paid for by the Mission and no help will be asked outside.

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I might say here that a spirit of Patriotism prevails in the hearts of the Eskimo people, and they constantly pray that the War may soon cease, with victory for Britain and her Allies.

Before leaving St. John's, I was commissioned by the Government to attend to the Magisterial work on the Labrador Coast, and was also appointed a Commissioner to hear exemption cases under the Military Service Act. As the Steamship "WREN" whilst engaged in carrying mails, did not come further South than Indian Hr., during the Summer; in order to visit the Coast on Magisterial cases, and to hear exemptions, I travelled by the Steamship "Sagona".

In conclusion, permit me to state that I received valuable assistance at my work from Capt. Geo. Barbour, and the Officers and crew of the S/S "Wren". The manner in which all hands worked to afford me every facility in conducting my enquiries, deserves the highest praise.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

Lieutenant.

COPY.

St. Johns, Newfoundland,  
May, 25th. 1917.

Lieut. Patrick J. O'Neill,  
St. Johns.

Sir:-

The Government have made a request of the Inspector General that he would detach you from the Constabulary Force in order that you may take up work in connection with the Patrol Service as last year.

In view of the satisfactory manner in which you performed your duties last year, it has been decided to advance you in rank, and I enclose herewith, Commission, appointing you as Lieutenant in the 1st. Newfoundland Regiment.

I trust that this year you may have an equally good record.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) J.R. Bennett

Col. Secretary.

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Temp. Lt. P. J. O'Brien.

Has been granted a Temp. Commission as Lieutenant to date from  
May 2, to Nov. 8, 1917.

authority Major A. Montgomerie.

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# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



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					<b>C.R. 4743</b>

Dated November 6, 1917.

To 2nd. Lt. O'Neil Wireless Bay

**Justice Department wishes you return at once take up some special work**

**District Officer Commanding.**

C.R.1

G.

26th April, 1917.

Dear Mr. Squires,

With regard to your letter of the 23rd instant, respecting Constable O'Neil, I beg to say that for the Patrol Service of 1915, he was given the sum of \$75 from the Defence Committee, and this was paid him in June of last year. In settling for his services during the season of 1916, the Defence Committee paid him the difference in pay between that received as Constable and that received by Second Lieutenants in the Regiment. This amounted to \$229.50, the period being from 11th June to 27th November.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy Colonial Secretary.

Hon. R. A. Squires, K.C.,  
Minister of Justice.

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Constable Patrick O'Neill (Newfoundland  
Constabulary) is hereby appointed to the rank of  
Second Lieutenant (Temporary) in the First Newfoundland  
Regiment during such time as he shall be employed on  
special duty in connection with the Newfoundland  
Government Steamer DABOT.

Governor & Commander in Chief.

Government House,  
St. John's, Nfld.  
18 June, 1910.

C.R. 0-67

APPOINTMENT.

His Excellency has been pleased to make the following appointment.  
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A temporary Commission has been granted as follows, from the 13,  
of June to be 2nd Lieut.(Temporary), CONST.PATRICK O'NEIL,  
(Nfld., Constabulary). 1916.



In replying the date of this letter should be quoted.



The Chairman  
Mr. Coker. - (1) Prepare form of  
order for information of  
Major Murray & ask that  
the advertisement will come forth  
to be posted in the Gazette of  
the 13th with effect from that date  
with further notice. -

His Excellency the Governor. (2) So reply to Mr. J. Justice  
(3) holdy Ch. STAC<sup>in</sup> of the action  
& the cause thereof. (4) Report

I have the honour to acquaint Your Excellency, <sup>to Ch.</sup> <sup>such as</sup> <sup>Member of</sup> <sup>Defence</sup> <sup>Ch.</sup> <sup>of the Co</sup> <sup>WED</sup> <sup>9.6.</sup>  
that at the last meeting of the Home Defence Committee,  
it was decided that Constable Patrick O'Neill be  
appointed to the Whaler CABOT, in the carrying out of  
patrol work on Northern Labrador, and in compliance with  
a further decision I have the honour to request that  
Your Excellency, in your capacity as Colonel of the  
Newfoundland Regiment, be pleased to direct the issue of  
a Commission to Mr. O'Neill, as an Honorary Second  
Lieutenant.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Minister of Justice.

9 June, 1916.

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- 1. To Advise for Gazette  
(Temporary) <sup>dated</sup> from June 20
- 2. To Advise for Comm.
- 3. Note that he will be  
with gazetted June 12, 1916.

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- 4. Copy of endorsement to Treasurer  
~~for payment~~, the pay for  
charged to the War down, an  
account of the Home Defence (in  
Coast Patrol.)

Sir,

W. P. D.  
13.6.16

At the last meeting of the Home  
Defence Committee it was decided that  
Constable Patrick Joseph O'Neil be  
appointed to take charge of the third  
Patrol Ship, which will be the ss. CABOT.  
In that capacity it was thought better to appoint  
him under Commission as Second Lieutenant  
and I shall be glad if Your Excellency, as  
Colonel of the Regiment, will issue the  
necessary instruction in this respect.

I have the honour to be  
Sir,  
Your Excellency's obedient servant

*J. P. D.*  
Colonial Secretary.

His Excellency  
Sir Walter E. Davidson, K.C.M.G.,  
etc., etc., etc.,  
Governor.

O'Neill, A.H. 2/21 0-67

Hay Joseph

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 65<sup>60</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

January 16 1919

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of Sixty five <sup>60</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.  
~~on account~~  
balance of Pay.

P. J. O'Neill

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Gen. Ledger		Initials	

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Warrant



No. ....

Rank

*Lieut'*

Name

*P. J. O'Neill*



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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S ~~Nov. 18th. 19~~ 18.  
NEWFOUNDLAND

To: Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,

From: Chief Staff Officer.

LIEUT. P.J. O'NEILL

Please note that this Officer was employed from the 13th. July, 1918, to the 24th. October, 1918.

He is to be credited with the difference between his pay as a member of the Constabulary Force and the pay of his rank as an Officer of the Regiment, your calculations to include both the dates before mentioned.

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.



INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE.

ST. JOHN'S, Nov 21st. 1819.

3237

Dear Sir,

I beg to say in reply to yours of the 20th instant, that Sergeant P.J.O'Neill's pay as a member of the Constabulary for the months of July, August, September and October, was at the rate of \$51.66 per month plus 25% under the recent increase.

Yours sincerely,

Inspector General Constby.

Jas M. Howley Esqr.,

Captain & Paymaster

Royal Newfld Regiment.

Power

- ✓ Apple Is *They*
- 3 Seal *They*
- ✓ 2 Nova *They*

Power

- ✓ Viking *Sunday*
- 3 Diana *Wednesday*
- ✓ Ranger *Sunday*

Carroll

- Seal *Saturday*
- Shets *Wednesday*
- Eagle *Monday*

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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$183<sup>00</sup>

Jan 6<sup>th</sup> 1920

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of One hundred + Eighty Three Dollars.  
on account of Pay. W.S.G.  
balance

J. J. Ouel

Ch. No.	25397	Initials	W.S.G.
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Regtl. No. .... Rank .....

No. ....

Rank

Lieut

Name

P. J. O'Neill

2/Lt.  
June 13/16 to 27/11/16  
May 22/5/17 to Nov 8/17  
July 13/18 to 24/10/18

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Commissioned 2/Lieut. June 13/16  
Retired 24/10/16

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Home Defence  
War Service (Private)

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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA,

WAR SERVICE GRATUITY.

St. John's, Newfoundland.

Declaration required of Officers and men of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, who claims War Service Gratuity under Order-in-Council dated January 28th. 1919.

A complete reply must be given to every question in this Declaration There must be no blanks and no dashes. If any questions are not applicable, the words "NOT APPLICABLE" must be written out.

On completion this Declaration is to be returned to THE OFFICER I/C RECORDS, PAY & RECORD OFFICE, ST. JOHN'S.

Christian name..... *Patrick J.* ..... 2. Surname..... *O'Neill* .....

3. Rank..... *Lieutenant* ..... 4. Regtl. No..... *—————* .....

5. Address in full to which future payments of gratuity are to be forwarded..... *Police Department, St. John's,*  
*Newfoundland* .....

6. Date of enlistment in the Regiment..... *Received Commission June 13: 1916* .....

7. Name of dependent, if any, to whom Separation Allowance is being issued, or was being issued, immediately prior to your discharge.....  
*Not applicable* .....

8. Relationship of such dependents..... *Not applicable* .....

9. Address in full of such dependents..... *Not applicable* .....

10. Is said dependent, now, or was said dependent at any time in receipt of Separation Allowance on account of another soldier..... *Not applicable*

11. Were you on active service only in Mfld. If so, give dates and particulars of such service... *Yes, From June 13: 1916 to October 24: 1918: Was on Patrol Service on Coast of Newfoundland and Labrador.*

12. Give total length of time which you served on active service, whether in Mfld. or Overseas. *In Newfoundland — 2.8 months and 11 days — at sea 16 months on Patrol Ships.*



13. Have you had more than one enlistment? If so, give particulars of discharge and re-enlistments, and under what regimental numbers.

*Not applicable*

14. Have you already received any payment of Post Discharge pay or War Service Gratuity? If so, state amount you and your dependents have already received and by whom paid.

*No. Have received nothing*

15. Have you been issued with a War Service Badge? *No*

16. Have you, during the present war, served in the Imperial Forces...

17. Are you entitled to receive, or have you received any Gratuity in the nature of Post Discharge Pay from the Imperial Forces? If so, state amount received, or to which you are entitled.

*Not applicable*

18. Did you revert Overseas to a rank lower than the substantive rank held by you on your arrival in England? *Not applicable*

(b) If so, was such reversion in consequence of Misconduct or inefficiency? *Not applicable*

19. Are you now serving in the R.C.M.F.? *No* If not give:- (a) date of discharge

*Retired Oct. 24. 1918. (b) Reason for discharge Retirement*  
*Patrol Service finished*

20. Did you at any time serve at the front in an actual theatre of War? If so give particulars of places, and dates of such service.

*Not applicable*

21. (a) Are you receiving treatment from the Civil Re-Establishment Com. (b) If so are you in receipt of full pay and allowances from that Committee.

*Not applicable*

And I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under Oath.

Signature of Applicant: *Patrick J. O'Neil*  
 Place of Residence: *St Johns, Newfoundland,*  
 Declared before me at: *St Johns Newfoundland.*  
 This *30<sup>th</sup>* day of *April 1919*

*John Mc Carthy*  


Signature of Barrister of the  
 Supreme Court, Stipendiary Magis-  
 trate, Notary Public, Justice of the  
 Peace, or Commissioner of affidavits.

POST DISCHARGE PAY.

Date paid	Paid Soldier	Paid Dependent	War Service Gratuity	Net amount due
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Certified Correct.			Paymaster.	