

C.R. 0-147

WFR-ME

January 13, 1921

Mr. P. J. O'Reilly,  
117 Gower Street.

Dear Sir,

I have been instructed by the Government to forward you an S.M.I.E. Rifle as an appreciation by the Government of the voluntary services rendered by you as a Musketry Instructor of Recruits. It was the wish of the Government that this rifle should be presented publicly and they thought on several occasions to arrange a suitable time. Unfortunately this was not practicable and in accordance with the request of Captain W. H. Rennie the Government have now ordered me to send these rifles privately to you and the other Musketry Instructors.

As far as I am aware this rifle is as good as any in the Quartermaster's Stores. However, there are about a dozen others there and if there are any parts which you would like to get changed or if you would like to change this rifle for any other in the hands of the Quartermaster I shall be

glad if you will call at the Quartermaster's Department  
H. J. Stabb and Company's Premises and choose another  
according to your fancy. It would be an easy matter  
to transfer the silver plate from this rifle to another.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Staff Officer.

P. J. O'Reilly,  
Pleasant Street.

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In replying the number & date  
of this letter should be quoted.



Custom House,  
5th April, 1917.

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Your Excellency,

Having read Regimental Notice dated April 2nd,  
I would respectfully ask if I might obtain the Imperial Silver  
War Badge. I have held the commissioned rank of Captain 1st  
Newfoundland Regiment, and was on Active Service in 1915 and  
again in 1916, and on each occasion I was honourably discharge.

I have the honour to be,

Your Excellency's

obedient servant,

*Joseph Keilly*

His Excellency,

Insp. Revenue P. Service.

Sir Walter Davidson,

Commanding Office,

1st Nfld. Regiment.

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Government House,  
St. John's, Nfld.  
5 April, 1917.

My dear Mr. O'Reilly,

I think that your case does not fall within the terms governing the issue of the Imperial Silver War Badge.

This is granted to men who have been incapacitated from further action on active service.

You I trust are in full possession of your excellent faculties and will be able in the future to render as valuable service as in the past. I think that when the present troubles have ended you might reasonably put forward a claim to be enrolled in the honourable list of Reserve of Officers with the honorary rank which you have held on at least two occasions.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J.J. O'Reilly Esq. I.S.O.

St. John's.

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Inspector Joseph O'Reilly, I.S.O. is hereby  
appointed to the rank of Captain (Temporary) in the  
First Newfoundland Regiment during such time as he  
shall be employed on special duty in connection with  
the Newfoundland Government steamer "Petrol".

Governor.

28 July, 1916.

A P P O I N T M E N T.

Extract of Regimental Order dated August 22, 1916.

By Lieut.Col.Sir. W.E. Davidson, K.C.M.G., Officer Commanding.

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Joseph O'Reilly, Esq., I.S.O.

to be Temporary Captain,

The above appointment to date from July 28, 1916.

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Adjutant.

Capt. (Temp.) J. O'Reilly, I.S.O.

Please gazette him out with date September 15th,  
inclusive.

Kindly make arrangements with regard to his  
pay.

Gover or.

17 Sept. 1915.

For information.

3 August, 1916.

Governor.

Re H.M.S. Fogata.

By telephone from Mr. Lessorier on behalf of  
Capt. J O'Reilly, I.R.O.

Capt. O'Reilly has completed his detachment by  
the selection of twelve men from the Constabulary  
and nine men (R.N.R.) from H.M.S. Caysee: and does  
not require any men from the Regiment.



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Inspector Joseph O'Reilly, I.S.O. is hereby  
appointed to the temporary rank of Captain in the  
First Newfoundland Regiment during such time as he  
shall be employed on particular service.

Governor and  
Commander in Chief.

2 August, 1915.

Commission as Captain (temporary) in the  
First Newfoundland Regiment to Mr. Joseph O'Reilly,  
J.P., I.S.O. while on particular service for the  
period of sixty days dating from the 3rd of August.

Captain O'Reilly being authorised to draw the  
pay and allowances of his rank.

Governor.

3 August, 1915.

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The Deputy Minister of Justice:

With the concurrence of the Hon. Mr. M.P. Cashin  
Chairman Home Defence Committee Executive Council  
I have the honour to request that you will instruct  
the Inspector General of Police forthwith to supply  
to Inspector Joseph O'Reilly (temporary Capt. Newfound-  
land Regiment) with picked men from the Police force  
up to one dozen. Capt. O'Reilly should be furnished  
with the best men you have.

Governor.

2 August, 1915.