



FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 2185 Name Herbert Wills Corps

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment,

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Herbert Wills</u> |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>Grand Falls</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>18</u> Years <u>11</u> Months |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>Paper maker</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 embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? | 11. <u>Yes</u> |

FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE WAR

I, Herbert Wills 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.

Herbert Wills SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

6 Feb 29th 1916 Edward W. Page Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Herbert Wills 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 he said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at Grand Falls on this 29th day of February 1916

Signature of Attesting Officer Edward W. Page

†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 6 If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date 1916 } Approving Officer.
Place

† 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 Herbert Wills

Apparent age 18 years 11 months. Height 5 feet 7 1/4 inches

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 37 inches
 Range of expansion 4 inches

Distinctive marks _____

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Mrs. Mary Wills, Grant Falls
 | Relationship Mother

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)

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									
" " " Pension " _____ [] " " " " _____ " " "									



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| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>18</u> Years <u>11</u> Months |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>Paper maker</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> |
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Corps |
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I, Herbert Wells 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.

Herbert Wells SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

Edward W. [Signature] Signature of Witness.

6 Feb. 27th 1916

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I, Herbert Wells 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.

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Signature of Attesting Officer Edward W. [Signature]

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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 1st Battalion.

If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date.....1916 } Approving Officer.
Place.....

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This Form is to be used in connection with Pamph. M. E. (1)
N.F. 1915

In the spaces below should be entered the findings in the routine of examination set forth in the appendix. Care should be exercised that each finding be entered after the number below which corresponds to the number of that test.

Examination of *Herbert Wills*
aged *18* conducted at *Grand Falls*
Date: *Feb. 21/16* Recruiting officer:

NO. OF TEST FINDING *Recommended.*

- 1 *No defect.* ✓
- 2 " ✓
- 3 " ✓
- 4 " ✓
- 5 " ✓
- 6 " ✓
- 7 " ✓
- 8 " ✓
- 9 " ✓
- 10 " ✓
- 11 " ✓
- 12 " ✓
- 13 " ✓
- 14 " ✓
- 15 " ✓
- 16 " ✓
- 17 " ✓
- 18 " ✓
- 19 " *616 Both Eyes* ✓
- 20 " ✓
- 21 " ✓
- 22 " ✓
- 23 " ✓
- 24 " ✓
- 25 " ✓
- 26 " ✓
- 27 " ✓
- 28 " ✓
- 29 " ✓
- 30 " ✓
- 31 " ✓
- 32 " ✓
- 33 *no* ✓
- 34 *5-7/16* ✓
- 35 *127 1/2 lbs* ✓
- 36 *35 33-37* ✓
- 37 *1.50 per day* ✓
- 38 *Mother* ✓
- 39 *no one* ✓

no

2185

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Signature of Medical Examiner: *A. B. Chamberlain*
D. W. Burden

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Cables and Telegrams:
"SYNOPTICAL," LONDON.

Telephones:
VICTORIA 4923 & 4.

~~COMMUNICATIONS SECTION~~
~~NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT~~
~~ST. JOHN'S~~

PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,

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

Oct. 9th. 1919.

Minister of Militia,
St. John's,
Newfoundland.

Sir,

With reference to the special request you made me to do everything possible to find the body of 2185 Cpl. Herbert Wills, I have done so but without success.

I searched the area and found ^{that} the bodies had already been exhumed and no identifications were made. When I go back to France again I am going to have another search. There is little hope that the body will ever be found.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Nangle Major
(NANGLE)

D.G.R. & E.
Newfoundland Contingent.

C.R. 2185

October 29th 1919.

F.W.Wills Esq.,
8 Exploits Lane,
Grand Falls.

Dear Sir:

I beg to advise you that we are in receipt of a letter from Rev. Major Hangle, with regard to his search for the body of your late son No. 2185 Cpl. H. Wills, for your information I am forwarding herewith copy of said letter, and although Father Hangle gives but little hope of recovering the body, I trust that his next endeavours will be successful, and that we will have the pleasure of forwarding you good news.

Yours faithfully,

CCB

Capt.

for Chief Staff Officer.

CR. 2185

JULY 25th 1919.

F. W. WILLS, Esq.,
8 Exploits Lane,
Grand Falls.

Dear Sir:

I beg to forward you herewith copy of letter received from Rev. Captain Hangle having reference to the burial place of your son, the late #2185 Cpl. Herbert Wills.

Yours faithfully,

Minister of Militia.



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

JULY 24th 1919.

Hon. A.E. Hickman,
Minister of Militia.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter re
2185 Cpl. Wills of Grand Falls, I may say this soldier
was buried by the side of a zone communication trench
between Les Boeufs and Flares Line.

Any further information I receive
shall be forwarded you at once.

Yours faithfully,

J. Langille

C.R. 2185

JULY 21st 1919.

F. W. Wills, Esq.,
8 Exploits Lane,
Grand Falls.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 15th, having reference to the location of the burying place of your son, the late #2185 Cpl. Herbert Wills.

In accordance with your request, I have asked Rev. Capt. Hangle to make full enquiries with regard to the gravesite of your boy, and he has promised to do all in his power in this connection.

If we receive any report or information relating to this matter I shall be only too pleased to forward same to you immediately.

Trusting that good news will be received in the near future,

I remain,
Yours faithfully,

Minister of Militia.

8 Exports Lane
Grand Falls
15 July / 69

The Minister of Militia
Lt John's

Sir,
I notice in the newspapers that it is the intention of the Ministry of Militia to send Rev Fr Nangle to France to superintend the transfer of the bodies of our Lads to cemeteries.

While highly commending this intention, I wish to ask for further enquiries to be made to endeavour to locate the burial place of my dear Lad who was killed on 8 Dec/66.

I have made enquiries before, & have always been told that it was impossible to find any trace of his grave.

Will you kindly give instructions for further ^{fuller} enquiries to be made, so that his mother & I may know where he lies; & if his body is removed, tell us where it is finally placed?

(2)

From enquiries I have made, the boy was killed near Les Beouffs on the Somme, & Lieut Duley told me he thought he would be buried at Ginchy Cemetery. However no one in authority seems to know, or if they know will not tell us, where he is buried.

So I shall be greatly obliged if you will kindly have further investigation set afoot, so that our anxiety may be relieved.

The boy's number was 2185, name Corporal Herbert Wills, date of death 8 Dec/16.

I trust you will be able to do something for us,

I am Sir
Yours Respectfully
H. W. Wills

JULY 21st 1919. 24

Rev. Capt. Hangle, C.F.,

C i t y.

Dear Father Hangle,

I am in receipt of a letter from F.W.Wills, Esq., of Grand Falls, having reference to the burying place of his son, the late #2185 Cpl. Herbert Wills.

The grave of this soldier has never been located, but ^{he} is supposed to be buried in the area of Les Beeufs, North of Combles.

I would be very glad if you would make a special Memo of this request. Any information forwarded would be greatly appreciated by Mr. and Mrs. Wills.

Yours faithfully,

Minister of Militia.

C.R. 2185

Extract from Nominal Roll of RFLA. Regt. Dept 11
from 2nd Bn. Depot, to 1st Bn. B.E.F. Embarked Southampton,
5.10-14.

2185 Cpl. H. Wills.

C.R. 2185

Extract of Daily Orders Part I¹ Depot St. John's,
PROMOTIONS from June 9th/16.

To Be Corporal.

#2185 L/Cpl. H. Wills.

CR 2185
Sept. 28th 18

F.W. Wills, Esq.,
8 Exploit's Lane
Grand Falls

Dear Sir:-

We have received a letter from the Pay & Record Office, London to-day, forwarding a copy of your letter to them, dated 7th July, concerning the location and photograph of the grave of your son, No. 2185, Cpl. H. Wills; and we are directed by the Chief Paymaster to inform you that although the fullest enquiries have been made from the Director of Graves Registration and Effects, and in spite of a thorough and methodical search of the area of Les Cocuis, North of Comblès in which your son is believed to be killed, no trace of the grave could be found.

Yours faithfully

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

MEMORANDUM.

No. 13694/477/R.&.G. **C.R.** 2185

From
PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,
58, VICTORIA STREET,
LONDON, S.W.
28th August, 1918.

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

SUBJECT:
2185, CPL. H. WILLS.
(Deceased).

Reference Nos.

REPLY

Dated Sept. 30th 1918

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

With reference to the following
letter dated 5/7/18 (7105) from
F.W. Wills, Grand Falls:

"I have been waiting since
8 Dec/18 for some information
concerning the location and
photograph of the grave of my
son No. 2185 Corporal Herbert
Wills of the 1st Newfoundland
Regt. who was killed in action
on 8 Dec./18.

Capt. Rev. A. Clayton has, I
believe, written about the matter
but has been unable to get any-
thing definite, although we have
many times seen, in the news-
papers, of numbers of graves and
localities being given to people.
There was also a notice recently
that photographs of graves were
only supplied to relatives of the
deceased soldier.

Trusting that you will at your
earliest convenience give me all
the information ~~xxx~~ you have con-
cerning my boy's burial place."

I beg to quote the following:

1. Memo 12845/31, 8/8/18 from
P & R.O. to D.G.R. & E.

Will you please inform me if
the grave site of the above-
named N.C.O. has yet been located,
and if so, if it is possible to
secure a photograph of the grave?

The enquirer's address is:

F.W. Wills, (Father)
8, Exploits Lane,
Grand Falls, Newfoundland."

2. Reply thereto, 28/8/18 (7656).

In reply to your memo of 8th

Noted, and Mr. Wills
notified of contents

Minister of Militia

August 1918, it is regretted that in spite of a thorough and methodical research of the area of Les Bocufs, North of Combles, in which the above N.C.O. is believed to be killed, made by Working Parties specially detailed for the purpose, no trace of the grave has been found.

I am very sorry to have to send you this reply.

For your information and transmission to Mr. F.W. Wills, please.

J. B. Anderson
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

HA/NV

C.R. 21850 Capt. W. Lane
Grand Falls
29 Dec/17

The Colonial Secretary

Sir

On behalf of my wife I wish
to acknowledge receipt of the memorial emblem
of our dear son Corp. Herbert Will.

We thank you for sending it, and wish to
record our appreciation of the action of the
Patriotic Association in deciding to give the
emblems.

Again thanking you

I am Sir

Yours Respectfully

F. W. Will

M

February 15, 1917.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 30th December, the delay in replying to which I very much regret, I beg to say that up to the present the only information which has come to hand regarding the death of your son, No. 2185 Corporal Herb. Wills, is that he was killed in action on December 8th. You will readily understand that, under present circumstances, it is most difficult to obtain detailed information as to the circumstances surrounding the death of men of the Regiment but I have no doubt that in course of time fuller particulars will be available. Immediately upon receipt of any such, I shall be glad to communicate the same to you.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Frederick W. Wills,
 8 Exploits Lane,
 Grand Falls.

M

January 9, 1917.

Dear Madam,

It was with the greatest regret that the Government received a cable from the Record Office, London, reporting that your son, Private Herbert Wills, was killed in action on December 8th.

Permit me to express to you on behalf of the Government, as well as for myself, sincerest sympathy in your time of sorrow. But though we feel the parting and though the Heart is heavy with its loss, yet it is a glorious thing to think that your gallant boy early responded to the call of duty and made his stand for the establishment of Righteousness, Truth and Liberty upon the earth. We are all proud of our brave and noble boys but no less do we esteem the unselfish fathers and mothers who so willingly gave their boys when the call of duty came. Though your boy has laid down the earthly weapons he wears the soldier's Crown of Victory and his name is inscribed upon the glorious Roll of Honour and will be held in fragrant memory by all his fellow countrymen. When the end of this war comes and Peace once more reigns upon earth, it will be your proud thought that your dear boy did, to the utmost of his ability, to bring about such result.

I trust that you may have the comfort and love of the Great Father of us all at this time.

Believe me to be,
Yours sympathetically,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Mary Wills,
Grand Falls.

C.R. 2185

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record
Office, London, dated December 20, 1916.

#2185 Cpl. H. Wills. ✓

Killed in Action December 8th, 1916.

Rec'd 4 Dec 8

8 Exploits Lane ⁹⁹
Grand Falls
30 Dec/16

The Right Hon J R Bennett
Col Secretary
Sir

I received your wire to my wife
today, informing us of the death in action of
our dear son ^{Col} Herbert Wills (No 2185), on
Dec 8th.

We should be extremely obliged if you could
obtain for us all information as to what was
taking place at the time, & also where the
sad affair happened.

You will kindly forgive us asking these
questions, as we would like to know
something of the circumstances of our dear
Boy's death.

Hoping you will be able to do this for us

Yours Respectfully
Fred^r W. Wills

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.**Cable Connection with all the World****All Messages Sent are Subject to the Following Conditions:**

The Management may decline to forward the Message, though it has been received for transmission; but in case of so doing shall refund to the Sender the amount paid for its transmission.

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.

The control of the N. P. T. over the Message shall be deemed to have entirely ceased for the purposes of these Conditions at any point where, in the course of the transit of the Message to its destination, it may be entrusted by the N. P. T. (and the N. P. T. shall have full power so to entrust the Message) for further transmission by or through any system, service, or line of Telegraph belonging to or worked by any administration or authority not controlled by the N. P. T. exclusively, although worked as part of or in connection with the Telegraphic system or service of the N. P. T.

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 _____

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated December 29, 1916.

To Mrs. Mary Wills,
Grand Falls.

Regret to inform you Record Office First Newfoundland Regiment, London, today reports that your son, No. 2185, Corporal Herbert Wills, was killed in action on December eighth.

J.R. BENNETT

Colonial Secretary.

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

This message is not to be sent until Receiving Office notifies that message to Rev. Mr. Loder, Grand Falls, has been delivered and acted upon.

FOR TYPEWRITER

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Counter No. _____

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____ Address _____

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Cheek

Dated December 29, 1916.

To Rev. T. E. Loder,
Grand Falls.

Regret to inform you Record Office First Newfoundland Regiment, London, today reports No. 2185, Corporal Herbert Wills, son of Mrs. Mary Wills, was killed in action on December eighth. Please inform relatives.

J.R. BENNETT
Colonial Secretary.

C.R. 2185

Extract from Casualties received from
Pay and Record Office, London dated Dec.
28th., 1916.

KILLED IN ACTION.

2185 Cpl. H. Wills.

8-12-16.

C.R.

2185

Extract of Casualty List received from P.&.R.O.
December 28th. 1916.

2185, Cpl. H. Wills. ✓

KILLED IN ACTION 8.12.16.

C.R. 2185-

Extract of Depot Daily Orders part 11, dated
June 9th, 1916.

#2185 L/Cpl. H. Willa. ✓

To be Acting Corporal.

CR. 2183

Extract of Depot Daily Orders part 11, dated
May 9th, 1916.

The following promotion is approved by the
Commanding Officer, and is effective from
this date:-

#2185 Pte. H. Wills. ✓

To be Lance Corporal.

C.R. 2185

Extract from General H. H. Embarked St. John's for Overseas,
per U.S. "Citation" July 10, 1916.

2185 Cpl. Wills H.

C.R. 2185

Herbert Wills was attested for General Service with
the NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT on February 29th 1916
Regimental No. 2185 was allotted to Pte H.Wills

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th 1919

H Wills

2185

P. & R. J.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Wells OF Christian Name Herbert

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish _____ County _____

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>21</u> day of <u>February</u> 191 <u>1</u> at <u>St. John's, Nfld.</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>1</u>	at _____
Declared Age	<u>18</u> years		_____ years	_____ days
Trade or Occupation	_____		_____	_____
Height	<u>5</u> feet <u>7 1/4</u> inches		_____ feet	_____ inches
Weight	<u>127 1/2</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
Chest Measurement {	Girth when fully expanded... <u>37</u> inches		_____ inches	_____ inches
	Range of expansion... <u>4</u> inches		_____ inches	_____ inches
Physical Development	_____		_____	_____
Vaccination Marks {	Arm	_____	_____	_____
	Number	_____	_____	_____
When Vaccinated	_____		_____	_____
Vision	R.E.—V= <u>4/6</u>		R.E.—V=	_____
	L.E.—V= <u>4/6</u>		L.E.—V=	_____
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(a) _____		(a) _____	_____
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to Cause Rejection	(b) _____		(b) _____	_____
Approved by (Signature)	<u>Samuel Paterson</u>		_____	_____
(Rank)	<u>Capt.</u> Medical Officer.		_____	Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at <u>St. John's</u>		at _____	_____
	on <u>21</u> day of <u>Feb</u> 191 <u>1</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>1</u>	_____
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
	<u>Infantry Reg. 2105</u>		_____	_____
Transferred to	_____		_____	_____
Became non-effective by	_____		_____	_____
(Signature)	_____		_____	_____
(Rank)	_____		_____	_____

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1ST. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ALLOTMENTS

I, A. Wills, Regl. No. 2185

hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official form to make an Allotment of
Dollars and 60 Cents, per diem, from my Pay,
to, and for the benefit of the undermentioned Person ^{and} or Persons, such payment to be made on proof
of identity of, and production of the relative Identity Certificates by the Person ^{and} or Persons
concerned, viz.:

Allotment begins May 1st.

Identity Certificate No.	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative or Friend	NAME (in full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
2031	Mother	Mrs Mary Wills	8 Trafalgar Lane Grand Falls	60
Commencing 21/7/16.				
Total Allotment, \$				

NOTE.—This form must be completed by the Officer Commanding Company, signed by the Volunteer, counter-signed by the Officer Commanding Company and handed to the Paymaster as authority to make the required payments on application.

(Sig.) R. B. Holloway
H. A.
 Officer Commanding
H. Company
St. John's
April 20th 1916.

(Sig.) A. Wills
 (Rank) Pvt.

FIELD SERVICE.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } 1st. NEWFOUNDLAND. REGT. Squadron, } B. Company.
 or } Troop, Battery }
 CORPS } or Company }

Regtl. No. 2185. Rank CORPORAL.

Name Wills. H.

Died { Date 8/12/16.

{ Place FRANCE.

{ Cause of Death* KILLED IN ACTION.

Nature and Date of Report B213. 16/12/16.

By whom made O & O. UNIT.



* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place NOT TO HAND.

{ Date DO.

{ By whom reported DO.

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

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-Generals Office at the Base } M. Purcell
 Capt. for Lt. Col.

Station and Date _____ Officer i/c Infantry Records.
 _____ Maj. 3rd Echelon B.E.F.

PAY LIST.

to *8th December* 191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps

No. *2185*

Rank *Corporal*

Name *J. Mills*

Died (a) at *France*

on the *8th of December* 191 *6*

Deserted at on the of 191 .

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

Commanding Squadron, Troop,
Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Form 1.

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month <i>8. 12. 16</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>12</i>
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to			
		£	s.	d.	Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to			
	191				Messing allowance days at from to			
	"				Kit allowance			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2			
	"				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
	Consolidated stoppage				Deferred Pay or Gratuity			
					<i>[Signature]</i>			
	Balance due by the Paymaster			<i>4</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster	<i>9</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>12</i>
		£		<i>4</i>				

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ *4* is correctly chargeable against the Public (b).

Dated at

this day of

191 .

Paymaster.

(a) Here state whether the soldier died intestate, or whether he left a Will. In the latter case the Will should be annexed hereto, if not already sent to War Office with Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.

(b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

8 Exploits Lane
Grand Falls
Newfoundland
5 July 18

NEWFOUNDLAND GOVERNMENT, PAY & RECORD OFFICE.	
Ref. Nos	7105
Rec'd	8 AUG 1918
ack'd	
Ref. Nos	

The Officer in Charge of Records.

Sir

I have been waiting since 8 Dec/16 for some information concerning the location, and photograph, of the grave of my son No 2185 Corporal Herbert Wills of the 1st Newfoundland Regt who was killed in action on 8 Dec/16.

Cap^t Rev A Clayton has, I believe, written about the matter, but has been unable to get any thing definite, although we have many lines seen, in the news papers, of numbers of graves and localities being given to people.

There was also a notice recently that photographs of graves were only supplied to relatives of the deceased soldier.

Trusting that you will at your earliest convenience give me all the information you have concerning my boy's burial place.

I am Sir your Respectfully
F. W. Wills

12845/31/R.&C.

Chief Pmr. & O. i/c Rds.,
Newfoundland Contingent,
58, Victoria Street,
S.W. 1.

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

8th August, 8.

Cpe.

2185 PTE. H. WILLS, deceased
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Will you please inform me if the grave site of the above-named N.C.O. has yet been located, and if so, if it is possible to secure a photograph of the grave?

The enquirer's address is:

F.W. Wills, (Father)
8, Exploits Lane,
rand Falls, Newfoundland.

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Recog

HA/NV

Reference:-22/3496.

The Chief Paymaster
and Officer i/c Records,
Newfoundland Contingent,
58, Victoria Street,
S.W.1.



2185, Corporal H. Wills,
Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

In reply to your Memo, of 8th August 1918,
it is regretted that in spite of a thorough and methodical
re-search of the area of Les Boeufs, North of Combles, in
which the above N.C.O., is believed to be ~~buried~~, made
by Working Parties specially detailed for the purpose
no trace of the grave has been found.

I am very sorry to have to send you this

reply.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, PAY & RECORDS OFFICE.
Ref. Nos. 10
Rec'd 26 AUG 1918
Adm
War Office, Winchester House, St. James's Square, London, S.W.1.
Col. Nos. 001
<i>[Large handwritten scribble]</i>
PA
RA
RE
TELEGRAMS

[Handwritten signature]
Captain,
Staff Captain,
for Brig.-General,
Director G.R. & E.

Telephone :
VICTORIA 147.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Communications to be addressed to the
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/O RECORDS,
and the following No. quoted :

MEMORANDUM.

No. 13694/477/R.&.C.O.

C.R. 1285

From
PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,
58, VICTORIA STREET,
LONDON, S.W.
28th August, 1918.

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

SUBJECT :

2185, CPL. H. WILLS.
(Deceased).

REPLY

Dated Sept. 30th 1918

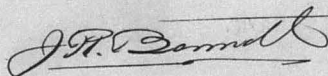
Reference Nos

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

With reference to the following
letter dated 5/7/18 (7105) from
F.W. Wills, Grand Falls:

Noted, and Mr. Wills
notified of contents

"I have been waiting since
8 Dec/18 for some information
concerning the location and
photograph of the grave of my
son No. 2185 Corporal Herbert
Wills of the 1st Newfoundland
Regt. who was killed in action
on 8 Dec./18.



Minister of Militia

Capt. Rev. A. Clayton has, I
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thing definite, although we have
many times seen, in the news-
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localities being given to people.
There was also a notice recently
that photographs of graves were
only supplied to relatives of the
deceased soldier.

Trusting that you will at your
earliest convenience give me all
the information ~~you~~ you have con-
cerning my boy's burial place."

I beg to quote the following:

1. Memo 12845/31, 8/8/18 from
P & RMO. to D.G.R. & E.

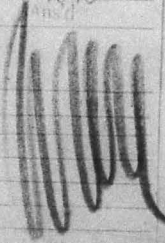
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the grave site of the above-
named N.C.O. has yet been located,
and if so, if it is possible to
secure a photograph of the grave?

The enquirer's address is:

F.W. Wills, (Father)
8, Exploits Lane,
Grand Falls, Newfoundland."

2. Reply thereto, 28/8/18 (7858).

In reply to your memo of 8th

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT
PAY & RECORD OFFICE
28 OCT 1918
9337


August 1918, it is regretted that in spite of a thorough and methodical research of the area of Les Boeufs, North of Combles, in which the above N.C.O. is believed to be killed, made by Working Parties specially detailed for ~~the~~ the purpose, no trace of the grave has been found.

I am very sorry to have to send you this reply.

For your information and transmission to Mr. F.W. Wills, please.

J.B. Anderson, Lieut

for Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

HA/NV

Unmailed

12/9/18
R.V.

~~DUPLICATE~~
~~MAIL COPY~~
Posted.....

13694/477/R.&G.

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

28th August, 8

Sept. 30th 1918

2185, CPL. H. WILLS.
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J. R. Bennett,
Minister of Militia.

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9337
28/10/18

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F.W. Wills, (Father)
2, Exploits Lane,
Grand Falls, Newfoundland."

2. Reply thereto, 26/8/18 (7656).

In reply to your memo of 8th

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August 1918, it is regretted that in spite of a thorough and methodical research of the area of Les Bouufs, North of Combles, in which the above W.C.O. is believed to be killed, made by Working Parties specially detailed for the purpose, no trace of the grave has been found.

I am very sorry to have to send you this reply.

For your information and transmission to Mr. F.W. Wills, please.

Chief Paymaster & O. i/o Records.

HA/NV

**DUPLICATE
MAIL COPY**
2 SEP 1918
Posted

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ACK ^T dated	/ /	} No. IN
Received	/ /	
REPLY dated	/ /	}
Received	/ /	
LAST Ref No.		
NEXT " "		

13694/477/R.&G.

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

28th August, 8

Sept. 30, 1918

2185, CPL. H. WILLS.
(Deceased).

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W. J. Rendell

Minister of Militia

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Chief Paymaster & C. i/c Records.

HA/NV

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REGIMENT } 1st. NEWFOUNDLAND REGT. Squadron, Troop, Battery } B. Company.
 or CORPS } or Company }

Regtl. No 2185. Rank CORPORAL.

Name Wills. H.

Died { Date 8/12/16.
 Place FRANCE.
 Cause of Death* KILLED IN ACTION.



Nature and Date of Report BE13. 16/12/16.

By whom made QMS. UNIT.

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place NOT TO HAND.
 Date DO.
 By whom reported DO.

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

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office,

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Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

J. H. Burchell
 Capt. for Lt. Col.

Station and Date _____

Officer i/c Infantry Record
 Maj. 3rd. Echelon. S.S.F.

U
Nills, A.

2185

Sept

PAY LIST

In Six Months

1918. Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT

Regiment or Corps 1st Newfoundland

No. 2188

Rank Corporal

Name E. Wills

Died^{at}

at France

on the 8th of December 1918

1918

Discharged at

on the of

191

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

(Commanding Squadron, Troop,
Battery or Company)

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

(Form 1)

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.	
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month	8/12/18	4	17	12
	Quar. issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to				
	191				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to				
	"				Messing allowance days at from to				
	"				Kit allowance				
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from				
	Consolidated stoppage								
	Balance due by the Paymaster	4		17 1/2					
		£	4	17	12				
						£	4	17	12

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to 9 MAY 1917 and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular and that the debtor balances of £ 4 17 1/2 is correctly chargeable against the **NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT**

Dated at

this



Commanding Officer

(1) This form is to be filled in by the commanding officer of the contingent, or whether he is a W.M. In the latter case the W.M. should be assisted by the Secretary of the contingent, and the form should be filled in with Army Form B. 2005 or Army Form D. 1211.
(2) This form is to be filled in by the commanding officer of the contingent, or whether he is a W.M. In the latter case the W.M. should be assisted by the Secretary of the contingent, and the form should be filled in with Army Form B. 2005 or Army Form D. 1211.

PAY LIST.

to 8th December 1916. Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps 1st Newfoundland

No. 2185

Rank Corporal

Name H. Wills

Died^(a)

at France

on the 8th of December 1916 .

Deserted at

on the of 191 .

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

{ Commanding Squadron, Troop,
Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Form I.

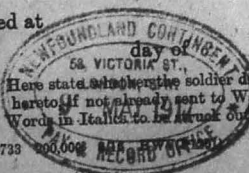
Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.	
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month 8/12/16	4	17	1½	
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to				
	£ s. d.				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to				
	191				Messing allowance days at from to				
	"				Kit allowance				
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from				
	"								
	Consolidated stoppage								
	Balance due by the Paymaster	4	17	½					
		£	4	17		£	4	17	½

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

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ _____ is correctly chargeable against the Public^(b).

Dated at

this



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PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE

- (a) Here state whether the soldier died intestate, or whether he left a Will. In the latter case the Will should be annexed hereto (if not already sent to War Office with Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.
- (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

Duplicate

Army Form B. 2090a.

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REGIMENT } 1st. NEWFOUNDLAND REGT. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } B. Company.
or
CORPS }

Regtl. No. 2185. Rank CORPORAL.

Name Wills. H.

Died { Date 8/12/16.

{ Place FRANCE.

{ Cause of Death* KILLED IN ACTION.



Nature and Date of Report B215. 16/12/16.

By whom made O.S. UNIT.

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

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Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

M. Birchell

Capt. for Lt. Col.

Station and Date _____

**Officer i/c. Infantry Records.
Maj. Srd. Echelon. S.E.F.**

Copy of Will.

of

No. 2185 Corpl. H. Wills.

In the event of my death I give the whole of my property
and effects to my Mother, Mrs. Mary Wills, 8 Exploits Lane.
Grand Falls Nfld.

October 10th. 1916.

(Signature) Herbert Wills.
Corporal 2185
Nfld. Regiment.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Copy

Regiment or Corps 1st Newfoundland
 Regimental No. 2135 Rank Cpl Name Willo, H.
 Enlisted (a) 19/2/16 Terms of Service (a) duration Service reckons from (a) _____
 Date of promotion } _____ Date of appointment } _____ Numerical position on } _____
 to present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }
 Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 56, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 88, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked Southampton		30 Oct. 1916.	
		Disembarked Rouen		4 Oct. 1916	
		Joined Battalion		14 Oct. 1916.	
16/12/16	OC Unit	Killed in action	France	8/1/16	B 213



(signed) John Burchell Capt.
 for officer in charge Regular
 Infantry Section No. 1
 G.H.Q. 3rd Echelon

To Mr A Willey
Dept of Militia
St John's
Pin

8 Exploit's Lane
Grand Falls
30 Oct /20

Reference 2185 Cpl Herbert Willo

The above Soldier was my Son, and I am making enquiries regarding the Credits Balance due to him at the time of his death.

No money has been received, and no Statement of Account has been received by me from his Regimental Paymaster and I would deem it a favour if you would kindly institute the necessary enquiries in the proper quarters and cause a Statement to be rendered from the time of his enlistment.

The Casualties affecting him are as follows —
Attacked Feb 29 /1916

Left St John's, N.F. for England July 19 /1916
To B & F, France to join 1st N.F.L. Regt Sep 30 /1916
Killed in Action France Dec 8 /1916

The above should correspond with the entries in #78/103

May I say that I have felt grieved that no mention or notification in regard to this matter has been received by me, and it has come to my
(over)

(my) knowledge that a considerable sum was
due to him at the time of his death, and I
trust you will be able to assist me in clearing
the matter up

Thanking you in anticipation

Yours truly
F. M. Wills

Mr A Willey
Lyjohn's

£ 37.42 to the credit of estate
no administration papers required
by this office.

Wills

November 4, 1920

F.W. Wills, Esq.,
8 Exploit's Lane,
GRAND FALLS.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of October 30th. to Mr. A.W. Willey, I beg to state that there is a balance to the credit of your son', amounting to \$37.42, and this amount was advised to the Minister of Justice for purposes of Administration, and if you will communicate with him he will make the necessary arrangements to have the amount paid you.

Yours truly,

Major

Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$27⁴²

Nov 22nd 1920.

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of Thirty Seven ⁴²/₁₀₀ Dollars.
on account of Pay. Estate.
balance

Ch. No. 3968	Initials... <i>[Signature]</i>
Pay Ledger 78	Initials... <i>[Signature]</i>
Gen. Ledger	Initials... <i>[Signature]</i>

Regtl. No. Rank

[Signature]

No. 21851.

Rank Corporal.

Name H Wills

Pr. Frederick W. Wills
Administrator

8 Explains Lane
Grand Falls
18 Nov / 20

Major Howley
Dep of Militia
St John's
P.N.

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 4 Nov in reference to the amount owing to the estate of my son Corp H Willb, #2185 Nfld Regt.

As advised by you I wrote the Minister of Justice & asked him to exchange for the sum named (\$37.42) to be paid over to me.

I am today in receipt of a letter from the Deputy Minister of Justice asking me to present my Letters of Administration to the Pay & Record Office, & the amount due from that Office will be paid to me.

In accordance with their request, I am now enclosing the Letters of Administration, & request you to please have the matter squared up, & also to return the Letters of Administration to me when finished with.

Yours Respectfully
F. W. Willb

J.R. [Signature]

#37 47
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November 24, 1920

Frederick W. Wills,
8 Exploit's Lane,
Grand Falls.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your
letter of November 18th. I enclose herewith cheque for
\$37.42 representing balance due estate of late Cpl. H.
Wills, payable to you as Administrator thereof.

I also enclose herewith
Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,

Major
Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

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No. 185

of

No. 2185 Rank Corp

Name H. Wills

Mrs Mary Wills W

Grand Faces

NDR

WILL.

In the event of my death
 I give the whole of my
 property and effects to
 my mother, Mrs Mary
 Wills. 8 Exploits Lane
 Grandfalls, Newfoundland

Signature Herbert Wills

Rank and Regiment Serjeant 2185 R.F.L.S.

Date October 10th 1916 Regiment

COPY of WILL
of
No. 2185, Corpl. H. Wills.

In the event of my death I give the whole of my property
and Effects to my Mother, Mrs. Mary Wills, 8 Exploits Lane,
Grandfalls, Newfoundland.

October 10th, 1916.

(Signature) Herbert Wills,
Corporal, 2185,
NFLD Regiment.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY.

Sgd F. W. Marshall, Lieut. Major,
FOR
Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

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



Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

..... 17 Aug 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services
the late No. 2185 Rank Capt.
Name..... Herbert Wills
Royal Newfoundland Regt.



..... Mrs Mary Wills (Sgd.)

..... Mother Relationship.

Address..... 8 Exploit Lane, Grand Falls

Fold Here

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

To the Officer in Charge of Records,



Royal Nfld. Regt.

Dept. of Militia,

ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.

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SEP 28 1921.

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

is/are forwarded herewith to

Mrs Mary Wills (Mother)

in respect of his service as No. 2185 Rank Corpl.

Name Herbert Wills

Royal Nfld. Regt.

~~Nfld. Fusiliers Corps.~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received both OK

Signature Mrs Mary Wills

Date 10 Oct / 21

Address Grand Falls

[P.T.O.]

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regimental Number 2185

Regiment or Corps 1st Field

C.R.

Rank corporal

Surname Wills

Christian Name A

1789

Religion of E

Age on Enlistment 18 years

11 months

Enlisted (a) Feb 29/16

Terms of Service (a) Duration

Service reckons from (a)

Date of promotion to present rank

Date of appointment to lance rank

Extended {

Re-engaged {

Qualification (b)

or Corps Trade and Rate

Signature of Officer i/c Records.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c. during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
			Emarked Southampton	3	OCT 1916
			Disembarked ROUEN	4	OCT 1916
		Joined Battalion	14 OCT 1916		
<u>16/12/16</u>	<u>OC Unit</u>	<u>Killed in Action</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>8/12/16</u>	<u>B213</u>

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H. Burchell CAPTAIN
Regular Infantry Section 1
General Headquarters, 3rd Division

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
(b) Signaller, Shoeing-Smith, &c.

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Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay
No.	<u>2185</u> <u>Wills A.</u>	Age on	<u>18</u> years <u>11</u> months	<u>Paper maker</u>	
Joined	Date	Place and Date of Enlistment	<u>H. John's</u> <u>20.09.1916</u>	Religion	
Joined	Date	Period of	{ with Colours <u>254</u> years with Reserve <u>day</u> years	<u>C of C</u>	
Joined	Date				
Joined	Date			<u>Grand Falls</u>	

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order depending with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS
<u>Irvine</u>	<u>11/16</u>	<u>Cpl.</u>		<u>neglect of duty</u> <u>Killed in action 8/17/16.</u>	<u>C.S.M. Spaw</u>	<u>Reprimanded</u>	<u>11/16</u>	<u>Capt. Fox</u>	<u>J.E.T.F.</u>

To be carried over

Lieut Col W F Rendell

18 Feb 1920

Sir

On behalf of my wife & myself I wish to acknowledge receipt of Memorial Scroll together with His Majesty the King's message, in regard of our dear boy's death. ^{#2185} Capt Robert Wills.

I am also forwarding the form sent by the Graves Registration Commission, & in connection with this wish to point out that we have no information as to the locality of our boy's grave.

We have made numerous enquiries from those who were present at his death, & have sent all information we could gather, together with a sketch by Lieut Williamson (who was present) giving the exact spot, to Father Nangle, but nothing has resulted.

We shall be greatly obliged, if there is anything more which can possibly be done to locate the body & place it in a cemetery, if you will kindly have the matter attended to.

Yours Respectfully
F. W. Wills

C.R. 2185

FEBRUARY 27th 1920.

Mr. F.W. Wills,
No. 8 Exploits Avenue,
Grand Falls.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith Cemetery Register Form, as you omitted to fill in space (A). This space is intended for a Personal Inscription or Text not exceeding sixty six letters, less the number of spaces between the words. If you desire to have an Inscription engraved on the stone, I should be glad if you would fill in same, and return Form to this Department.

As yet we have received no information concerning the burying place of your son, the late 2186 Cpl. H. Wills, but should ^{we} be informed by the Imperial War Graves Commission of anything in this connection, it shall be immediately forwarded on to you.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Staff Officer. Lt. Col.