

Form 61 Original marked Feb

ATTESTATION PAPER.

No. 887042/10/16

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CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.

(ANSWERS.)

1. What is your surname?..... *Gray*
- 1a. What are your Christian names?..... *John Welford*
- 1b. What is your present address?..... *Macarrie Sarsfield*
2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born?..... *Leedsdale Ontario*
3. What is the name of your next-of-kin?..... *Mrs. Mary Gray*
4. What is the address of your next-of-kin?..... *Lindsay Ontario (Box 716)*
- 4a. What is the relationship of your next-of-kin?..... *Mother*
5. What is the date of your birth?..... *13th March 1883*
6. What is your Trade or Calling?..... *Carpenter*
7. Are you married?..... *No*
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated?..... *Yes*
9. Do you now belong to the Active Militia?..... *Yes*
10. Have you ever served in any Military Force?..... *4th Battalion Lindsay Ont*
If so, state particulars of former Service.
11. Do you understand the nature and terms of your engagement?..... *Yes*
12. Are you willing to be attested to serve in the }
CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE? } *Yes*

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DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

John Welford J. W. Gray

I, *John Welford Gray*, do solemnly declare that the above are answers made by me to the above questions and that they are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements by me now made, and I hereby engage and agree to serve in the Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force, and to be attached to any arm of the service therein, for the term of one year, or during the war now existing between Great Britain and Germany should that war last longer than one year, and for six months after the termination of that war provided His Majesty should so long require my services, or until legally discharged.

Date *Feb 10th 1916* *J. W. Gray* (Signature of Recruit)
Wm. Harper (Signature of Witness)

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, *John Welford Gray*, 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, and will observe and obey all orders of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and of all the Generals and Officers set over me. So help me God.

Date *Feb 10th 1916* *J. W. Gray* (Signature of Recruit)
Wm. Harper (Signature of Witness)

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE.

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 *North Battleford* this *10th* day of *February* 1916.

O. Henry Pomeroy (Signature of Justice)

Description of Gray, John Welford on Enlistment.

Apparent Age 32 years months.
 (To be determined according to the instructions given in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.)

Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease.

(Should the Medical Officer be of opinion that the recruit has served before, he will, unless the man acknowledges to any previous service, attach a slip to that effect, for the information of the Approving Officer).

Height 5 ft. 8½ ins.

Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 39 ins.
 Range of expansion 3½ ins.

Complexion Medium

Eyes Gray

Hair Gray

Religious denominations. { Church of England
 Presbyterian Yes
 Methodist
 Baptist or Congregationalist
 Roman Catholic
 Jewish
 Other denominations
 (Denomination to be stated.)

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named Recruit and find that he does not present any of the causes of rejection specified in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.

He can see at the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs, and he declares that he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him* fit for the Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force.

Date Jan 12 191 6

Place West Baulzig

J. Miller
J. Jackson
Captain A. M. C.
 Medical Officer
W. B. C.

*Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

NOTE.—Should the Medical Officer consider the Recruit unfit, he will fill in the foregoing Certificate only in the case of those who have been attested, and will briefly state below the cause of unfitness:—

CERTIFICATE OF OFFICER COMMANDING UNIT.

John Welford Gray having been finally approved and inspected by me this day, and his Name, Age, Date of Attestation, and every prescribed particular having been recorded, I certify that I am satisfied with the correctness of this Attestation.

A. P. Simpson Lieut. (Signature of Officer)
O.C. North Battleford Unit 188th. Batt. C.E.F.

Date February 10th. 191 6

H. G. McKean Major
 188th. Overseas Battalion

MS. 13/11/18.

Proceedings of Court of Inquiry or on men reported Missing on Active Service.....

Attestation Papers..... 10 21

Declaration of change of name.....

Authority for special enlistments.....

Documents of re-enlisted men.....

Regimental Conduct Sheet.....

Compulsory Stoppages.....

Casualty Forms..... 1

Proceedings on discharge.....

Corps History Sheet.....

Date and No. of Deposit Receipt for Purchase Money and Amount.....

Parchment Certificate.....

Medical Report for Invalids.....

Medical History Sheet..... 2

Proceedings of Regt. Court Martial.....

Copies of Convictions by Civil Power.....

Company Conduct Sheet.....

Clothing Transfer Certificate.....

Inventory of Kit.....

Last Pay Certificate.....

a. F. B. 122 - 1

m. F. B. 303 - 1

cess card 4

maw 67-1

M. F. W. 62.
50M-9-16.
H. Q. 1772-39-935.

pay card

DISCHARGE DOCUMENTS

Name Gray, John, Welford,

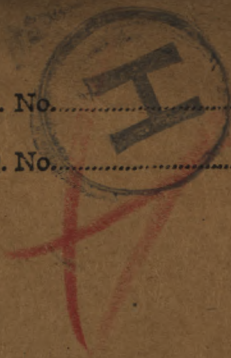
Regt. No. 887042 Rank Pte

Corps 188 Bn.

Deceased, 4/3/17.

R. O. No.

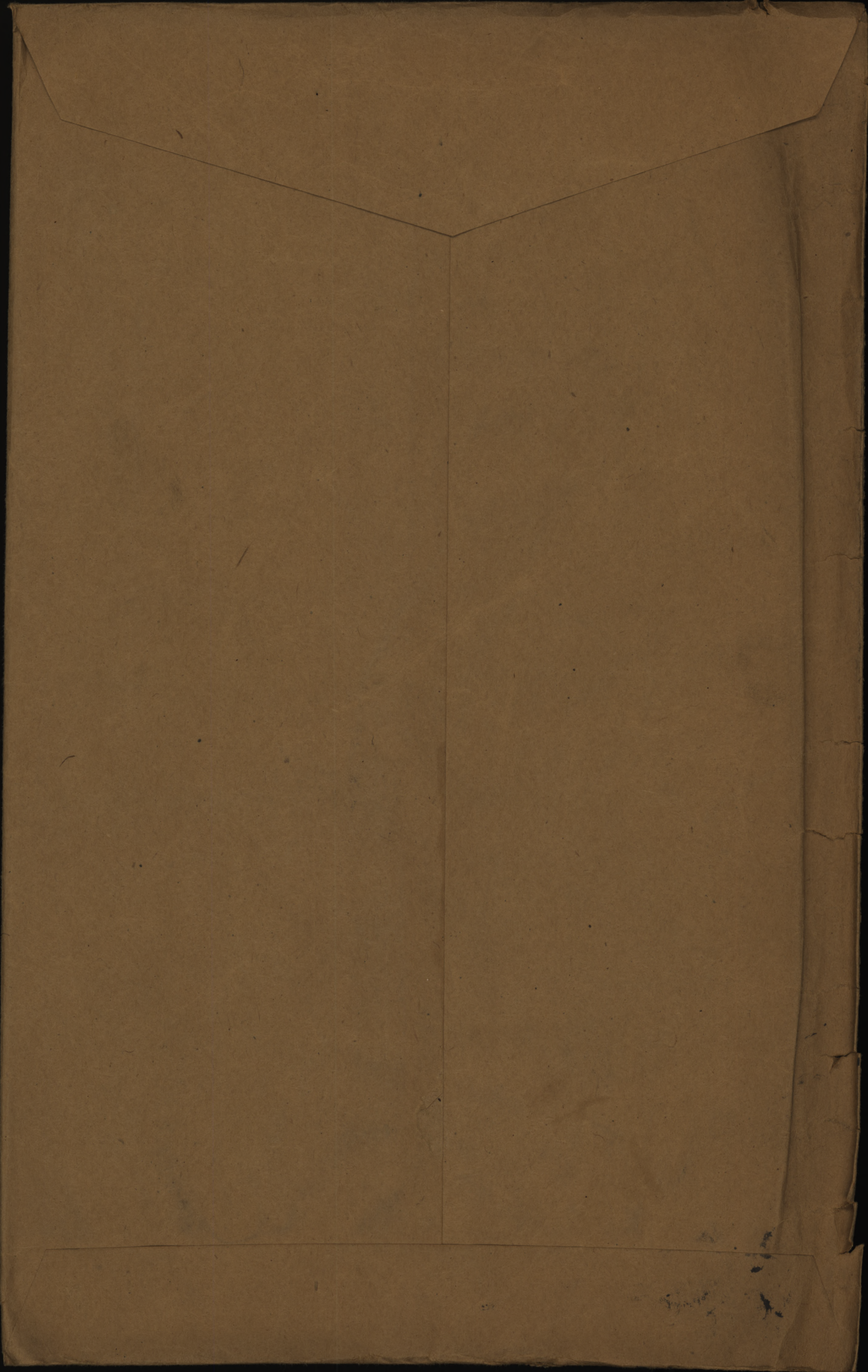
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PARTICULARS OF FAMILY OF AN OFFICER OR MAN ENLISTED IN C. E. F.

INSTRUCTIONS.

- (a) This form is only required for men joining units for Overseas Service and must be completed immediately the man is warned for draft overseas.
- (b) Care must be taken to see that a man is allotted his correct Regimental Number. No numbers must be duplicated and once it has been allotted to a man, even if he is subsequently discharged, the same number must never be allotted to another man.
- (c) All questions, etc., must be answered.
- (d) One copy of the form is to be forwarded by Officer Commanding unit for each Officer and man to Officer Commanding Division or District at least seven days before man leaves his station to proceed overseas, for transmission to Accountant and Paymaster General, Ottawa.
- (e) Duplicate copy is to be forwarded direct to Officer in charge of Records, C.E.F. London, immediately after arrival in England.

(1) Name of Overseas Unit which Soldier joins.....

198th Battalion

(2) Regimental Number.....

887042

(3) Full Name of Soldier.....

John Wilford Gray

(4) Place of Birth.....

Lindsay Ontario

(5) Are you married, or not?.....

No.

(6) If married, state,

(a) Full name of your wife.....

(b) Present Postal Address.....

(7) Are you a widower?.....

No

(8) Have you any children?.....

If so, give number of boys and girls.....

Also their names and ages.....

(9) Is your Father alive? *Yes.* *William Gray.*
If so, state name and address *Lindsay, Ontario.*

(10) Is your Mother alive? *Yes.*
If so, state name and address *Annie Gray.*
Lindsay, Ontario.

(11) If your Mother is a widow? *No.*
Are you her sole support, or not? *—*

(12) If sole support of widowed mother, state what amount you have given her per month prior to your enlistment, also reason she has no other support than yourself.
—

(13) If you have no wife, father, mother or children, state the name and relationship with full postal address of your next of kin, to whom you would desire any communication to be sent concerning you.
—

(14) If you have a wife, or children, or a widowed mother who depends on you as her sole support, have you applied to the Paymaster of your unit for Separation Allowance? If not, this must be done.
—

(15) Are you insured? *No.*
If so, in what Company? *—*
Have you made arrangements for payment of your Insurance premium.....
If not, and it is a monthly premium, you can assign the amount in addition to any other assignment you wish to make.

S. J. Donaldson Lt - Col
Officer Commanding.

Date *Sep. 21st 1916*

Jack

Number

887042

Rank

Olt ^V B

Surname

GRAY ^V

Christian Name

John Welford ^V

Units

188th Bn. Canadian ^V

Theatre of War

England ^V

Date of Service

19-10-76 ^V

D

Remarks

(M) Mrs. Ann Gray, ^V
5 Queen St.,

Latest Address

5 Queen St.,

Roll No.

A Page 2381 Lindsay, Ont.

Next of kin _____

Address on leave _____

Address on discharge _____

Transportation issued Yes No Date _____ Character on discharge _____

Previous occupation _____ Date and place of enlistment _____

Diagnosis _____ Date of Medical Boards _____

Date	Remarks

DESP. MAR 21 1923
REGN. NO. 22765

*—Name will be given in full; surname first.

Name *Gray John* Rank *Melford* *Plc*

Reg. No. *887042*

Unit *14th Res Batt*

Next of Kin *Canada*

Date	Movement	Place	Casualty	List No.	Notified N/K O.	W.O. List
<u>Died</u>						
3. 3. 17 <i>Should read</i>	<i>Royal Victoria Hosp</i>	<i>Lockstone</i>	<i>Fract Skull L. leg dec</i>	<i>23 6.3.17</i>	<i>9755</i>	
4. 3. 17	<i>C 3607</i>					
		<u>Died</u>				
	<i>25 G 1626</i>					

John. *Melford*
Name GRAY. Rank

Pte.

Reg. No. 867042

Unit 14th Res Bn.

Next of Kin

CANADA.

Date	Movement	Place	Casualty	List No.	Notified N/K O.	W.O. Li
3-3-	17. Royal Victoria Hosp.	Folkestone.		23.	09755	
	(DIED)		<i>Foot. Skull & Leg</i>			
			<i>acc.</i>			
<i>Forestry</i>						

REGT'L NO 887042

NAME Gray John Melzord
RANK AND CORPS Pte. 10th Reserve

H. Q. FILE NO. 649-

FOLLOWS NO. 2078878
FOLLOWS

CABLE

No. DATE

NATURE OF CASUALTY

19755 4-3-17

Died at Royal Victoria Hosp Folkestone. March 3rd. 1917
Fractured skull leg accidental ✓

A7B2090 London E. Mar. 7th 1917

(Date rec. 30-4-17) Died at Royal Victoria Hosp. Folkestone March 4th 1917.
(frac. skull & Lt leg. (sustained in motor accident))

LIST No

HOSPITAL

DATE OF
ADMISSION

REMARKS

23	Royal Vict Folkestone	4-3-17	Wid of Fract Skull & Leg acc
46	milit Shorncliff	3-3-17	Fract Base Scalp

7649 - G - 5707

CARD NO. ✓

SURNAME.

Gray

CHRISTIAN NAMES

John Welford

FOLL.

D

REGL. NO.

887042

RANK

Pte.

UNIT

1882

FORMER CORPS

45 Bn.

NEXT OF KIN.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NAMES IN FULL

Gray Mrs Ann,

RELATIONSHIP TO SOLDIER

Mother

ADDRESS

Lindsay Ont.

COUNTRY OF BIRTH

Canada Lindsay Ont.

DATE

Mar 13th. 1883

PLACE OF ATTESTATION

North Battleford Sask.

DATE

Feb 10th. 1912

Sailed from Halifax N.S. Olympic 12-10-16

MARRIED

SINGLE *Yes.*

WIDOWER

TRADE OR CALLING

Carpenter

RELIGION

Presbyterian

DESCRIPTION.

APPARENT AGE

32

YEARS

MONTHS

HEIGHT

5

FEET

8 1/2

INCHES

CHEST MEASUREMENT

39

INCHES

EXPANSION

3 1/2

INCHES

COMPLEXION

Medium

EYES

Grey

HAIR

Grey

DISTINGUISHING MARKS

nil

MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

PLACE

North Battleford, Sask

DATE

Jan 12th 1916

~~Present Address~~

Maidstone, Sask,

✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
Gray, J.W., Pte. 887042 14th Res. Bn. 649-G-5727

Med. & Dec. (Mother) Mrs. Ann Gray,
5 Queen St.,
Lindsay, Ont.

P. & S. (Father) William Gray, Esq.,

Serv 754727

Mem. Cross.

(Mother)
scroll Desp.

FEB 10 1922

Reqn. No.

263707

FEB 13 1922

Reqn. No.

P 29572

England only

Plague Desp.

6976

B. ac

M C 445-97

FEB 9 1921

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Melford.

Name Gray, John Rank Pte.

Reg. No. 887042.

Unit Canadian Forestry Corps.

Next of Kin Canada.

Died - Forestry

Dt.	Movement	Place	Casualty	List No.	Notified N/K O.	W.O. List
1917.	3-3.	Military Hosp.	Shorncliffe Frac Base	46		
			Scalp.			
			DIED			
			Res.			
			See 14th Bn. C.L. 23 d/			
			6-3-17			
			14th Bn. C.L. 23			

W.O. List	Notified N/K O.	List No.	Casualty	Place	Movement	Date
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4317
 V. 20. 23
 Royal Air Force
 11/11

No. 887042.

RANK

Pte.

NAME

Gray, John W

T. O. S. 10-2-16 10066 of 12-2-16

UNIT

Recruiting Area C

M. D. 10

PAID FROM	PAID TO	SIG. OR REC'T	PROMOTIONS; TRANSFERS, DISCHARGES, ETC.	
			PARTICULARS	AUTHORITY
1916	1916			
Feb. 10	Feb. 14	✓		
" 15.	" 29.	✓		
Mar.		✓		
April		✓		
May		✓		
June		✓		
July		✓		
Aug.		✓		
Sept.		✓		
Oct.		✓		
			Man shown on 178th Bn. C. & F. North Battalion Unit.	
			forfuts bdy	B0220, 9-10-16, B0224 of 14-10-16



887042

Reg. No.

887014

Surname

Gray

Christian Name or Names

J. W.

Rank

Plt.

Unit

188

Co.

Battn. 14th

Troop

Res Bn

Batty.

Hospital

Military Hosp. Shorncliffe

Date of Admission

22.10.16.

Transferred

Royal Victoria & althstone

Hosp.

Hosp. 3. 3. 17

Hosp.

Hosp.

Diagnosis

V. W. G.

(1) Later Diagnosis (if changed)

(2)

Fract skull & to. leg acid.

(3)

Additional Diagnosis: if more than one state present

Died

~~3-3-17~~

4 3. 17

dis. 4. 11. 16.

Date

DISPOSITION

P.L. 16. 11. 16 No. 4.

REMARKS

C.L. 22-11-16 - 7

6. 3. 17 #23

8. 3. 17

25.

note change of date of death

A.M.D. 2 DEPT.
Boh. of D.G.M.S. O.M.F.C. London.

10/11/17

EPITOME OF HOSPITAL TREATMENT.

Hospital

Adm.

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

FORM OF WILL.

I, John Wilford Gray (Name in full)
Regimental Number 887042 serving in 188th Battalion C.P.F.
of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, do hereby revoke all former Wills by me
made and declare this to be my last Will.

I bequeath all my real estate unto

Mrs. William Gray
Lindsay, Ontario
Can. } Name and Address
of person or
persons to whom
it is to go.

absolutely, and my personal estate I bequeath to

Mrs. William Gray
Lindsay, Ontario
Can. } Name and Address
of person or
persons to receive
personal estate*
(See note).

**IMPORTANT
NOTE**
This must be Signed
and Dated by
THE SOLDIER
HIMSELF.

this 23 day of Sept. A. D. 1916

John Wilford Gray Signature of Soldier.

*N.B.—Personal estate includes pay, effects, money in bank, insurance policy, in fact everything except real estate.

Signed and acknowledged by the Testator as and for his last Will in the presence
of us both present at the same time, who in his presence, at his request, and in
the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses.

Signature of First Witness A. H. Baker

Address of Witness Edison St.

**THE TWO
WITNESSES
MUST
SIGN HERE**

Occupation of Witness Bank clerk

Signature of Second Witness L. P. Rathwell

Address of Witness Springdale St.

Occupation of Witness Teacher

FORM OF WILL

Name in full _____
Residential number _____
of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, do hereby revoke all former Wills by me
I do hereby declare this to be my last Will

I bequeath all my real estate into

Name and Address _____
of person or _____
persons to whom _____
it is to go _____

absolutely, and my personal estate I bequeath to

Name and Address _____
of person or _____
persons to receive _____
my personal estate _____
(over and above)

THIS WILL was made on this _____ day of _____ A.D. 1914

Signature of Soldier _____

Witnesses

Witnessed and acknowledged by the Testator as and for his last Will in the presence
of us both present at the same time, who in his presence, at his request and in
the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses

Signature of First Witness _____

Address of Witness _____

Occupation of Witness _____

Signature of Second Witness _____

Address of Witness _____

Occupation of Witness _____

~~N/E R.B. #31.~~

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8,401-50,000-21-10-16.

J.P. Rank Name GRAY, John ^{WIL} Melford, Reg'l No. 887042. - *En*

Unit 188th Bn. If in perm. Corps, } Married or Single *Single*
What Unit? }

Place and Date of Enlistment North Battleford. 10th Feb. 1916. Place of Birth Lindsay. Ont. -

Name and Address, Next-of-Kin *Mrs. Ann Gray.* - Relationship *Mother.* -

Box 716
Lindsay. Ontario. Relationship

Assigned Pay Monthly \$ Payable to Relationship

Separation Allowance \$ Payable to Relationship

Discharge, Date and Place Reason Character

m + 2 - 21
3 - 2 - ac

N/E. R.B. No. *32*

File R.L.

Category *D*

Report.		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place.	Date.	REMARKS Taken from Official Documents.
Date.	From whom received.				
<i>Arrived In ENGLAND S.S. OLYMPIC 10.10.16</i>					
7. 11. 16	188 th Bn	Admitted to Hospital	Westenhanger	21.10.16	<i>CI. H.</i> Pt. II. O. 245. Gonorrhoea.
8. 11. 16	188 th Bn	Discharged from Hospital	Westenhanger	4. 11. 16	<i>CI. H.</i> Pt. II. O. 246 V.D.C.
4.1.17	188th Bn	S.O.S to 15th Res Bn	E. Sandling	4 - 1 - 17	Pt. ILO, 4
4.1.17	15th R. Bn	T.O.S from 188th Bn	E. Sandling	4 - 1 - 17	Pt. ILO, I
18.2.17	15th Res	S.O.S. to ban Forestry corps	Sh.cliffe	18-2-17	Pt. II 46
12.3.17	Can. CTC	Adm. Mil. Hosp. Schiff.	London	3.3.17	C.L. 46 <i>Pt. ILO. 63. Frac. base scalp</i>
6-3-17	Can. 14 th R.B.	<i>Died Royal Vic. Hp.</i>	<i>Folkestone</i>	4-3-17	C.L. 23. <i>Frac. skull & leg. (acc)</i>
18.10.17	H.Q. C. 7. E.	T.O.S. C. 7. C. & 14 th R.B.	London	18.2.17	Pt. 2 D.O. 119
18.10.17	do	<i>Ceases to be 7e x is S.O.S. having died from acc. injuries at Royal Vic. H. N. St. Key</i>	"	4.3.17	Pt. 2 D.O. 19

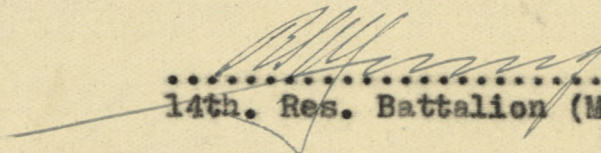
Died

EXTRACT OF BATTALION ORDER No. 71
dated 16/3/17

No. 1090 COURT OF INQUIRY:-

The Court of Inquiry convened on the 9th. day of March 1917, for the purpose of enquiring into the death of 887042 Pte. GRAY J.W., will re-assemble at 10.00 a.m., Monday March 19th, in the Headquarters Company Orderly Room for the purpose of recording a finding, in accordance with instructions received.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:-


..... Captain &
..... /Adjutant.
14th. Res. Battalion (Manitoba)

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CONTENTS

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- Fill in only.—Unit, Number, Rank and Name.

M. F. W. 54. (A. F. B. 103.)

350M.—5-16

H. Q. 1772-39-920.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Unit, Regiment or Corps 188th. Overseas Battalion

Regimental No. 887042 Rank PT6 Name Gray, J. W.

10/8/16 Enlisted (a) 10/8/16 Terms of Service (a) 6/6/16 C.E.F. 188th Overseas Battalion Service reckons from (a) 10/2/16

Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on roll of N. C. Os. }

Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b) Carpenter

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., 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	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked Arrived	Halifax Liverpool	13/10/16 19/10/16	S.S. Olympic
<u>4/1/17.</u>	<u>O.C. 188th, Batt.</u>	<u>Transferred to 15th, Res. Batt.</u>	<u>East Sandling.</u>	<u>4/1/17.</u>	<u>Part 11. B.O.4.</u>
<u>4-1-17.</u>	<u>O.C. 15th, Res Battn.</u>	<u>Taken on Strength of 15th, Res. Battalion.</u>	<u>Diggate.</u>	<u>4-1-17.</u>	<u>Part 11, OVERSEAS BATT. C.E.F. B.O.I. 4-1-17</u>
<u>18/2/17</u>	<u>" "</u>	<u>Transferred to <u>1st</u> Forestry Corp</u>	<u>St-Martin Plain</u>	<u>18/2/17</u>	<u>Part 11 46</u>

(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) e.g. Signaller, Shoeling Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., 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	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
19/2/17	14th Res. Bn.	Attached to 14th Res. Battalion.	Dubgale	19/2/17	Gr. No. 55.
5/2/17	14th Res. Bn.	Ceases to be attached on death.	Dubgale.	4/3/17	Part No. 60. C. J. Boyle, Lieut. of Records, 14th Reserve Battalion.

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Duplicate

887042

MEDICAL HISTORY SHEET.

Surname Gray Christian Name John Welford

Examined { on 10th day of February 1916
at North Battleford, Sask.

Approved by

W. J. Miller

Birthplace { City or Town Lindsay,
County Victoria, Ont.

Rank Lieut. A.M?C. M.O.

Apparent age 32 years

Trade or occupation Carpenter

Height 5 Feet 8½ Inches.

Weight 165 Lbs.

Chest measurement { Minimum 35½ inches.
Maximum expansion 39 inches.

Physical development Good

Small-Pox Marks None

Vaccination Marks { Arm Right Yes Left.
Number One

When Vaccinated last Childhood

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection

Date.	Fit or Unfit.	EXAMINED FOR RE-ENGAGEMENT.
		M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.

Date.	Result.	VACCINATIONS.
11/4/16	-	J. Jackson M.O.
11/4/16	-	Chas. E. Tran M.O.
12/4/16	-	Chas. E. Tran M.O.
20/7/16	-	Chas. E. Tran M.O.

Date.	Result.	ANTI-TYPHOID INOCULATIONS, ETC.
20/5/16		J. Jackson M.O.
4.7.16	+	Chas. E. Tran M.O.
12.7.16	+	Chas. E. Tran M.O.
20.7.16	+	Chas. E. Tran M.O.

Enlisted on 10th day of February 1916 at North Battleford, Sask.

	CORPS.	REG'TL NUMBER.	HABITS.	DATE.
Joined on enlistment	<u>Recruiting Area 2</u>	<u>188th Res. Batt. C.F.C. 887042.</u>		<u>10th Feb 1916</u>
Transferred to	<u>15th Res Batt.</u>			<u>4 JAN 1917</u>

EXAMINED OR DISCHARGED BY A MEDICAL BOARD.

STATION.	DATE.	DISEASE.	RESULT.

N. B.—This sheet to be disposed of in accordance with instructions in the Regulations for Army Medical Service, on the man becoming non-effective; the date and cause being stated on next page.

Surname *Gray* Christian Name *John W*

STATION.	Date of Arrival at the Station.	DATES OF						DISEASE.	Number of days in Hospital.	Remarks on nature of the disease: how induced; if mild or severe; if completely recovered from; whether any particular treatment was adopted. In venereal cases state nature of primary disease, and whether mercury has been given. If an accident, state whether it occurred on duty and whether a Court of inquiry was held. Date of issue and particulars of artificial teeth or surgical appliances supplied. Particulars of prophylactic inoculations.	Signature of Medical Officer.
		Admission into Hospital.			Discharge from Hospital.						
		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year				
Military Hospital, Skerncliffe.		21	10	16	4	11	16	Gonorrhoea	15	Returned to Unit Uncured, owing to Crowded Hospital, To continue treatment Finally Discharged from Hospital	<i>A W Bagnall</i> <i>Capt Cairns</i>
					4	12	16	— " —			

* N.B.—This Form being applicable to any Board of Officers or Committee or Court of Inquiry, this blank to be filled in accordingly.

The signature of each Officer composing the Board, &c., should be attached to the end of the proceedings.

PROCEEDINGS of a * COURT OF ENQUIRY

assembled at No. 8 Company Orderly Room, 14th Reserve Battalion, Dibgate Camp, Shorncliffe, Kent,
on the Ninth day of March, 1917

by order of Lieut. Col. I. R. Snider, Commanding,
14th Reserve Battalion

for the purpose of investigating the circumstances in
connection with the death of #887042, Private J.
Gray, No. 7 Company, 14th Reserve Battalion,
Dibgate Camp, Shorncliffe, Kent.

PRESIDENT.

Major W. T. Cololough
14th Res. Batt.



MEMBERS.

Captain E. P. Thompson }
Lieut. J. M. Munro } 14th Res. Batt.

The Court having assembled pursuant to order, proceed to
take evidence:-

FIRST EVIDENCE:

Copy of evidence taken at the Inquest of #887042, Private J. Gray, 14th Reserve Battalion, held at the Police Court, Town of Folkestone, Kent, at 3.00 p.m., March 6th, 1917, is marked X and attached to the proceedings.

SECOND EVIDENCE:

No. 859035, a/C.S.M. LOWDEN, D., No. 7 Company, 14th Reserve Battalion, Dibgate Camp, Shorncliffe, being duly sworn, states as follows:-

"No. 887042, Private J. Gray of my Company was
"not on duty on the evening of March 3rd, 1917."

D. Lowden C.S. Major
No. 7 Coy., 14th Res. Battalion.

Signed at Dibgate Camp, Shorncliffe, Kent, on the ninth day of March, 1917:

W. T. Cololough Major,
President

E. P. Thompson Captain,
Member:

J. M. Munro Lieutenant
Member:

The Court having re-assembled on the Twelfth day of March, 1917, pursuant to Order which is attached to the proceedings, proceed to take additional evidence:-

THIRD EVIDENCE:

Major J. C. Gillespie, 14th Reserve Battalion, Dibgate, Camp, Shorncliffe, Kent, being duly sworn, states as follows:-

Complying with an order from Headquarters, 2nd Canadian Reserve Brigade, I was present at the Court of Inquest on No. 887042, Private J. W. Gray, 14th Reserve Battalion, held at the Police Court, Town of Folkestone, Kent, at 3.00 p.m. March 6th, 1917.

The copy of evidence marked X and attached to the proceedings, which I have read, is a true abstract of the evidence given at the Inquest.

J. C. Gillespie
.....Major.
14th Reserve Battalion (Manitoba).

FOURTH EVIDENCE:

No. 186352, Lance-Corporal W. C. Knaggs, 2nd Canadian Reserve Brigade Signal Base, Dibgate Camp, Shorncliffe, Kent, being duly sworn, states as follows:-

I was present at the Court of Inquest on No. 887042, Private J. W. Gray, 14th Reserve Battalion, held at the Police Court, Folkestone, Kent, on March 6th, 1917, and took down the evidence of the Witnesses verbatim, and swear that the copy marked X, and attached to these proceedings, which I have read, is a true abstract of the evidence given at the Inquest.

186352 *W. C. Knaggs*L/Cpl.
Signal Base, 2nd Canadian Reserve Brigade.

Signed at Dibgate Camp, Shorncliffe, Kent, on the Twelfth day of March, 1917.

W. C. Crotchell
.....Major.
14th Reserve Battalion (Manitoba)
PRESIDENT.

A. Thompson
.....Capt.
14th Reserve Battalion (Manitoba)
MEMBER

J. M. Munro
.....Lieut.
14th Reserve Battalion (Manitoba)
MEMBER.

M. A. M. M. M.
.....
Commanding 14th Res. Battn. C.E.F.

The Court re-assembled on the nineteenth day of March 1917, pursuant to Order which is attached to the proceedings.

FINDINGS:-

The Court find that No. 887042 Pte. J.W.GRAY, 14th. Reserve Battalion, met his death by an accident sustained on March 3rd.1917, and also that he was not on duty at that time.

Signed at Dibgate Camp, Shorncliffe, Kent, on the nineteenth day of March 1917;-

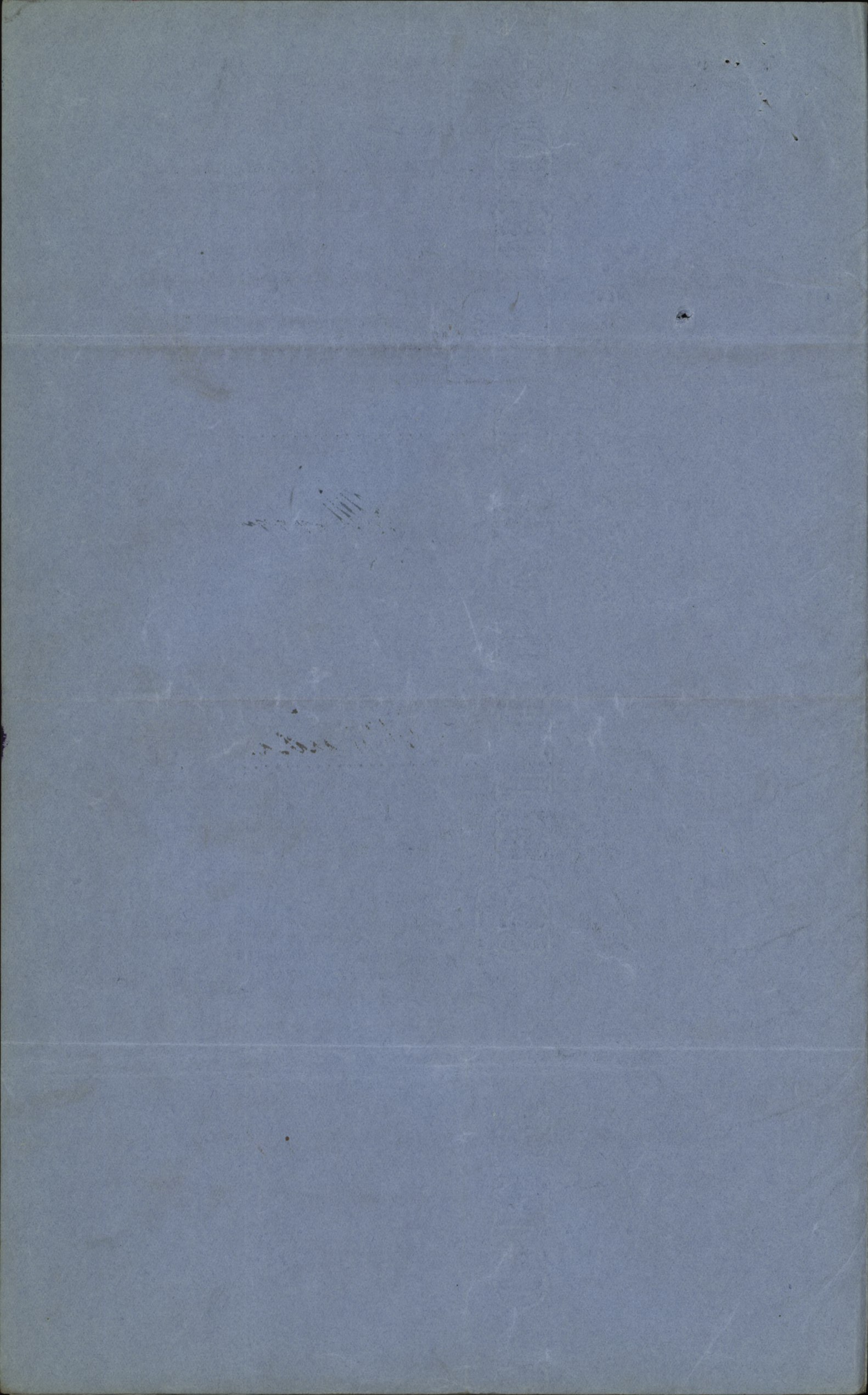
W. G. G. G.
.....Major
14th. Reserve Battalion (Manitoba)
PRESIDENT

J. D. Thompson
.....Captain
14th. Reserve Battalion (Manitoba)
MEMBER

John W. Munn
.....Lieutenant
14th. Reserve Battalion (Manitoba)
MEMBER

APPROVED;-

M. M. M.
.....Lt. Col.
Commanding 14th. Res. Battalion (Manitoba)



EVIDENCE taken at the Inquest of Private J. Gray, No. 887042, 14th Canadian Reserve Battalion, Dibgate, Shorncliffe, held at the Police Court, Town of Folkestone, at 3.00 p.m., March the 6th, 1917. The deceased lost his life by being hit by Motor Bus on Cheriton Road in the vicinity of the Cemetery on the evening of March the 3rd, between 9.00 p.m. and 10.00 p.m.

1. Evidence of Private WRIGHT, William, 14th Reserve Battalion.

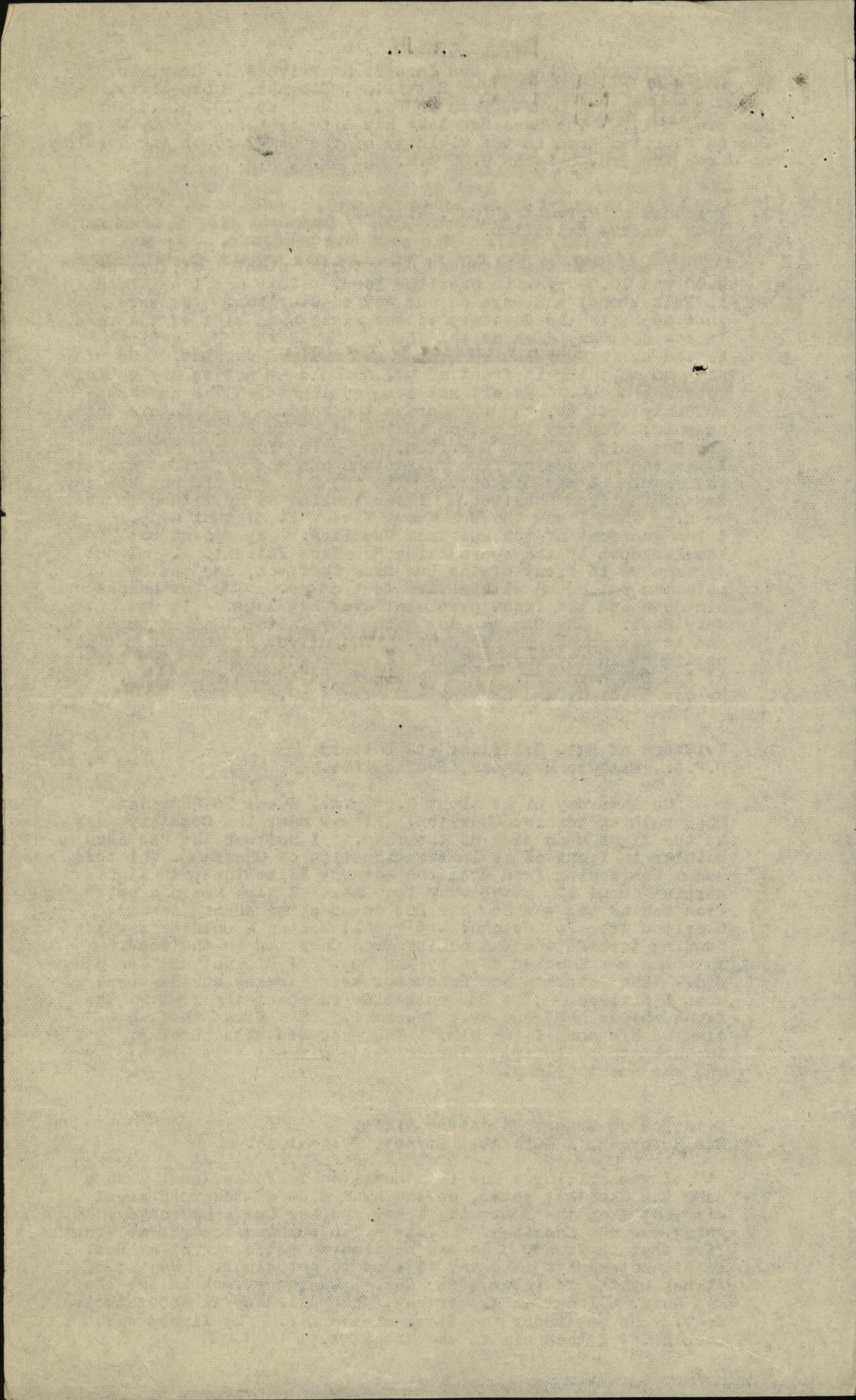
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I was with the deceased on Saturday night last, between 9.00 and 10.00 p.m. in Cheriton Road. Gray and I had been in Folkestone, and were on our way to Cheriton. We were just opposite the Cemetery on the right hand side of the road. It was not very dark at the time. We heard a Bus coming behind us. Gray looked around and noticed the Bus. We did not see anything in front of us, nor did we notice any vehicle approaching us. We did not see any lights. The deceased suddenly left me, and ran across the road. Just before this, he said, "You try to get on that Bus". He started to run for the Bus going towards Cheriton, and said "You come after me"; I saw the Bus coming from Folkestone and saw my friend crossing the road. I saw him struck with the Bus. I did not see any Bus coming from Cheriton. I was looking at my friend in the road. Then I saw the Bus about five feet distant away. I ran in front of the Bus from Cheriton. My friend was knocked down by the approaching Bus from Folkestone. I put my arms up in front of the Bus from Cheriton, and the Bus motorman pulled up within five feet of me. The bus knocked him down and the front part went over his legs. It was not very dark. The Bus was not going any faster than it ought to, and it was purely an accident. The driver of the Bus was not negligent in any way. I did not hear any horns. The lights of the Bus were lit. His eyesight and hearing was good. My own eyesight and hearing was also good.

2. Evidence of Sgt. Griffith, 4th Battery, C.F.A., Risboro Barracks, Shorncliffe.

On Saturday night about 9.55 p.m., I was in Cheriton Road walking towards Cheriton. I was near the Cemetery gate on the right hand side of the road. I noticed the deceased soldier in front of me in the direction of Cheriton. I then saw a Bus coming from Cheriton towards Folkestone with lights burning about 100 yards away from me. I also heard a noise from behind and saw another Bus approaching coming towards Cheriton from Folkestone. I recall seeing a soldier ~~xxxxx~~ running towards the Bus coming from Cheriton in the road. This man was knocked down by the Bus. I did not see any other man. The motorman and Conductor were already on the scene when I arrived. The Bus pulled up in about ten feet. The front wheels had gone over deceased. The front wheel had cleared him when I saw him. The deceased when running, appeared to be sober. The driver could not help himself, and was not to blame.

3. Evidence of Ernest Valentine Wills, Bus Motorman, 8 Guildhall Street, Folkestone.

I was driving a Bus from Cheriton to Folkestone. When near the Cemetery gates, on the near side of the road about six feet from the footpath, I saw another Bus approaching going towards Cheriton. I saw a man running towards me about five feet in front. He had no time to get clear of my Bus. He did not seem to make any attempt to get clear. He was struck by the radiator of my Car. He was struck in the chest and head. I put on the brakes, and pulled up in about twelve feet. He was under the steps of the Car. My lights were burning. I took him to the Hospital.



4. Evidence of House Servant, for
D. Allison Edgar Wilson, Prop.,
Victoria Hospital.

When brought to the Hospital, the deceased was not conscious. On examination I found bruises on the head, and a fracture at the back of the head. There was also a cut on the right cheek below the eye. Looked as if the wheel of the Bus had gone over him. Deceased died 6.10 a.m. on the 4th March, 1917. His case was hopeless. He had received injury to the brain, and did not regain consciousness.

Judge's Address to the Jury.

Gentlemen:-

You have heard the evidence, of the deceased. He attempted to catch the Bus in Cheriton Road and underestimated the distance, and sustained the injury from which he died later, in this way. You will consider the evidence submitted, and use your judgment in the matter.

Verdict.

After short consideration, Jury decided that the accident was not due to any negligence on the part of the driver of the Bus, but that deceased met his death by an accident - VERDICT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH.

