

42nd Regt.

240th of B'n C.E.F.

Original

257th. BATT. C. E. F. ATTESTATION PAPER.

No. 1042880

Folio.

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION. (ANSWERS.)

- 1. What is your surname? Brassard
1a. What are your Christian names? Joseph
1b. What is your present address? Montreal, Que. Canada
2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born? Montreal, Que. Canada
3. What is the name of your next-of-kin?
4. What is the address of your next-of-kin?
4a. What is the relationship of your next-of-kin? Brother
5. What is the date of your birth? May 11th, 1892
6. What is your Trade or Calling? Cook
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? No
10. Have you ever served in any Military Force? No
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

Albert Brassard 505 Champlain St. Montreal, Que. Canada

Have you ever been discharged from any branch of His Majesty's Forces as medically unfit? No
If so, what was the nature of the disability?
Have you ever offered to serve in any branch of His Majesty's Forces and been rejected? No
If so, what was the reason?

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, Joseph Brassard, 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.

This document has been read and explained to the recruit by the witness. Date Jan 23rd 1917. Signature of Recruit: Joseph Brassard, Signature of Witness: P. Wolaness

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, Joseph Brassard, 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 Jan 23rd 1917. Signature of Recruit: Joseph Brassard, Signature of Witness: P. Wolaness

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 Montreal this 23rd day of January 1917.

Signature of Justice: Lt. Col.

Description of Brassard, Joseph on Enlistment.

Apparent Age 24 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.)

Weight	152 lbs.
Height	5 ft 2 ins.
Chest measurement	Girth when fully expanded..... 36 ins.
	Range of expansion..... 34 ins.
Complexion	Clear
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Religious denominations.	Church of England.....
	Presbyterian.....
	Methodist.....
	Baptist or Congregationalist.....
	Roman Catholic..... <u>Yes</u>
	Jewish.....
Other denominations..... (Denomination to be stated.)	

*Nil*

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 23rd 1917.

*A. J. Malone*  
 Captain  
 Medical Officer.

Place Denison, Ont.

\*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:—

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CERTIFICATE OF OFFICER COMMANDING UNIT.

Joseph Brassard 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.

*E. J. Smith* Lt. Col. (Signature of Officer)  
 O. C. 240th O. S. Bn. C. E. F.

Date Jan 23rd 1917

MEDICAL HISTORY SHEET

ORIGINAL

Surname Brassard Christian Name Joseph

Examined { on 23 day of Jan. 1917  
 at Renfrew  
 Birthplace { City or Town Montreal  
 County

Approved by H. Malone  
 Rank Captain M.O.

Apparent age 24  
 Trade or occupation Cook  
 Height 5- feet 2 Inches  
 Weight 132 lbs.  
 Chest measurement { Minimum 34 1/2 inches  
 Maximum expansion 36 inches  
 Physical development Good  
 Small-pox Marks

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

Vaccination Marks { Arm Right Left ✓  
 Number One

Date	Result	VACCINATIONS
<u>8/2/17</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>W. G. W. W.</u> M.O.
		M.O.
		M.O.

When Vaccinated last Childhood  
 (a) Marks indicating congenial peculiarities or previous disease

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection  
Defective eyesight

Date	Result	ANTI-TYPHOID INOCULATIONS, ETC.
<u>8/2/17</u>		<u>W. G. W. W.</u> M.O.
<u>23/17</u>		M.O.
<u>6/17</u>		M.O.

Enlisted on 23 day of January 1917 at Renfrew

	CORPS	REG'TL NUMBER	HABITS	DATE
Joined on enlistment	<u>240 B'n</u>	<u>1042880</u>		<u>Jan 23rd 17</u> <u>Feb 3rd 17</u>
Transferred to				

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.



FORM OF WILL

I, Joseph Brassard (Name in full)  
Regimental Number 1042880 serving in 257th Battalion

of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, do hereby revoke all former Wills by me made and declare this to be my last Will.

I devise all my real estate unto

Albert Brassard  
505 Champlain St. Montreal.  
Que. Canada

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

absolutely, and my personal estate I bequeath to

Albert Brassard  
505 Champlain St. Montreal  
Que. Canada

Name and Address  
of person or  
persons to receive  
personal estate\*  
(See note).

NOTE

This space for the  
appointment of  
Executor if  
necessary.

IMPORTANT  
NOTE

This must be signed  
and Dated by  
THE SOLDIER  
HIMSELF.

this 24th day of February A.D. 1917

Joseph Brassard 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. M. Haughton

Address of Witness 52 Alexander St. Ottawa, Ont. Canada

THE TWO  
WITNESSES

Occupation of Witness Bookkeeper

MUST  
SIGN HERE

Signature of Second Witness N. D. Bedard

Address of Witness 114 Coughton St Ottawa Canada

Occupation of Witness Student



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

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

500M.—9-16

H. Q. 1772-39-970.

# Casualty Form—Active Service.

Unit, Regiment or Corps 257th. BATT. C. E. F.

Regimental No. 1042880 Rank Private Name Brassard, Joseph

Enlisted (a) Jan 23/17 Terms of Service (a) DURATION OF W'R AND SIX MONTHS. Service reckons from (a) Jan 23/17

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) Cook

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				

CERTIFIED CORRECT.  
 26 JAN 1917  
 CAN. RECORDS, LONDON.

		Embarked	Canada	16 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>17</sub>	
		Disembarked	England	27 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>17</sub>	
13.3.17	257 Bn	257 Bn now the 4th of R.Y.	Rur fleet	8.3.17	Depart # C P 56
29.5.17	4 C.R.Y.	Arrived in France	Field	29.3.17	# II 0.94

W.P. Ryan ..... LIEUT.  
 FOR LT: COL: I/C RECORDS, C.O.M.F.

7/6/17	O.C. Unit	Sentenced to 10 days G.P. #2 1/6/17 for when on Active Service: Absent from work parade from 6.45 AM. to 5.00pm. 1/6/17. Forfeits 1 days pay under R.W.			B2069 P.D.O. #106 D/17/6/17
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14/6/17	O.C. Unit	Sentenced to 14 days G.P. #1 8/6/17 for when on Active Service: Absent without leave from 6.45 AM work parade 2.6.17. Forfeits 1 days pay under R.W.			B2069 P.D.O. #109 D/24/6/17
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(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, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties. [P.T.O.]

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				
5/7/17	O.C. Unit.	Sentenced to 21 days P <sup>#</sup> 1. Field for when on Active Service Absent from work from 1 pm to 10 pm. 30/6/17. Forfeits 1 days pay by RW.		11/7/17	B2069, D.O. P <sup>#</sup> 121 D/16/7/17
9/8/17	O.C. Unit.	Sentenced to 5 days P <sup>#</sup> 2. for when on Active Service Absent from 12.00 noon until 9.30 pm. 5/8/17. Forfeits 1 days pay by RW. Sentenced to 2 days P <sup>#</sup> 2 Absent from work without permission from 1.00 pm. to 3.30 pm. 6/8/17. Sentences to run consecutively		5/8/17 7/8/17	B2069 P <sup>#</sup> 80 <sup>#</sup> 140 D/19/8/17
9/11/17	O.C. Unit.	Sentenced to forfeit 1 days pay 11/11/17 for when on Active Service: - (1) Failing to report on Sick Parade (2) Absent from work parade from 7 AM. 30/10/17 to 4 pm. 30/10/17. Forfeits 1 days pay by RW.			B2069 P <sup>#</sup> 80 171 D/19/11/17

**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

Regiment or Corps... 7<sup>th</sup> Bn. Cdn. Inf. Troop

Rank... Sgt Surname... Bassard Christian Name... Joseph

Religion..... Age on Enlistment..... years ..... months

Enlisted (a)... 23/1/17 Terms of Service (a)..... Service reckons from (a)... 23/1/17

Date of promotion to present rank..... Date of appointment to lance rank.....

Extended { ..... } Re-engaged { ..... } Qualification (b).....  
or Corps Trade and rate.....

Occupation..... Signature of Officer.....

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				
			Embarked ... Disembarked		
<u>16/11/17</u>	<u>C. C. Hunt</u>	<u>Sentenced to 5 days C.B. &amp; to forfeit 5 days pay, for when on Active Service! -</u>		<u>14/11/17</u>	<u>B2069 Pn 00.173</u>
<u>22/3/18</u>	<u>Y.C.R.T.</u>	<u>Died of Accidental Injuries</u>		<u>22/3/18</u>	<u>Ret KH 18/7427 Pn 00.168/2738</u>

J. Gilbert  
Lieut. for Lt. Col., A. A. G.  
Canadian Section, G. H. Q., 3rd Echelon, B. E. F.

(\*) 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.



SURNAME

CHRISTIAN NAME OR NAMES

REG. NO.

BRASSARD

J.

1042880.

RANK

UNIT

Co.

TROOP

BATTY

Spr.

CRT. 7.

HOSPITAL

DATE OF ADMISSION

1.

HOSP.

2.

HOSP.

3.

HOSP.

4.

HOSP.

DIAGNOSIS

Injuries Accid.

1.

2.

3.

RFB. DIED 22-3-18. B

DISPOSITION

DATE

CL. 2-4-18. A177.

REMARKS

A.M.D. 2 DEPT.

Beh. of D.G.M.S. O.M.F.C. London.

EPITOME OF HOSPITAL TREATMENT

HOSPITAL

ADM.

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

CARD NO.

3/8  
2218

SURNAME.

*Crassard*

CHRISTIAN NAMES

*Joseph*

FOLL.

REGL. No.

*104 2880*

RANK

*Pte.*

UNIT

*240th. 257th*

*On*

FORMER CORPS

NEXT OF KIN.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NAMES IN FULL

*Crassard, Moise*

RELATIONSHIP TO SOLDIER

*Father*

ADDRESS

*826 Bourbonniere Ave.  
Montreal, P.Q.*

COUNTRY OF BIRTH

*Canada, Montreal, P.Q.*

DATE

*May 11th, 1892*

PLACE OF ATTESTATION

*Penfrew, Ont.*

DATE

*Jan. 23rd, 1917*

*Trans. from 240th to 257th on duty. 257th 1.2.19*

From St John NB Pells "Missanabie" 16-2-17

MARRIED

SINGLE

WIDOWER

TRADE OR CALLING

Cook.

RELIGION

Yes. Roman Catholic.

DESCRIPTION.

APPARENT AGE

24.

YEARS

MONTHS

HEIGHT

5.

FEET

2.

INCHES

CHEST MEASUREMENT

36.

INCHES

EXPANSION

2 1/2 INCHES

COMPLEXION

Clear.

EYES

Blue.

HAIR

Brown.

DISTINGUISHING MARKS

not stated.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

PLACE

Renfrew, Ont.

DATE

Jan. 23rd, 1917

Present Address - Montreal, Q. C.

NAME

Brassard, Joseph

REG'T'L. No.

1042880

RANK AND CORPS

Pvt. 7th Co. Can. P.R. Deps. (from 240<sup>th</sup> Bn)

H. Q. FILE NO 649

FOLLOWS

No.

FOLLOWS

NO.

CABLE

DATE

NATURE OF CASUALTY

B.

Q159<sup>1-8</sup>

30-3-18

Killed accidentally Mar 22<sup>nd</sup>-1918

20906

Died accidental injuries in the field

27-3-18

France Belgium 2-3-18 (noted 6-8-18)

LIST NO.

HOSPITAL

DATE OF  
ADMISSION

REMARKS

9177

Rephoson Bude  
Died

22-3-18

(7) Injuries accidental





No. 1042880 RANK *Pte.*

NAME *Brassard J.*

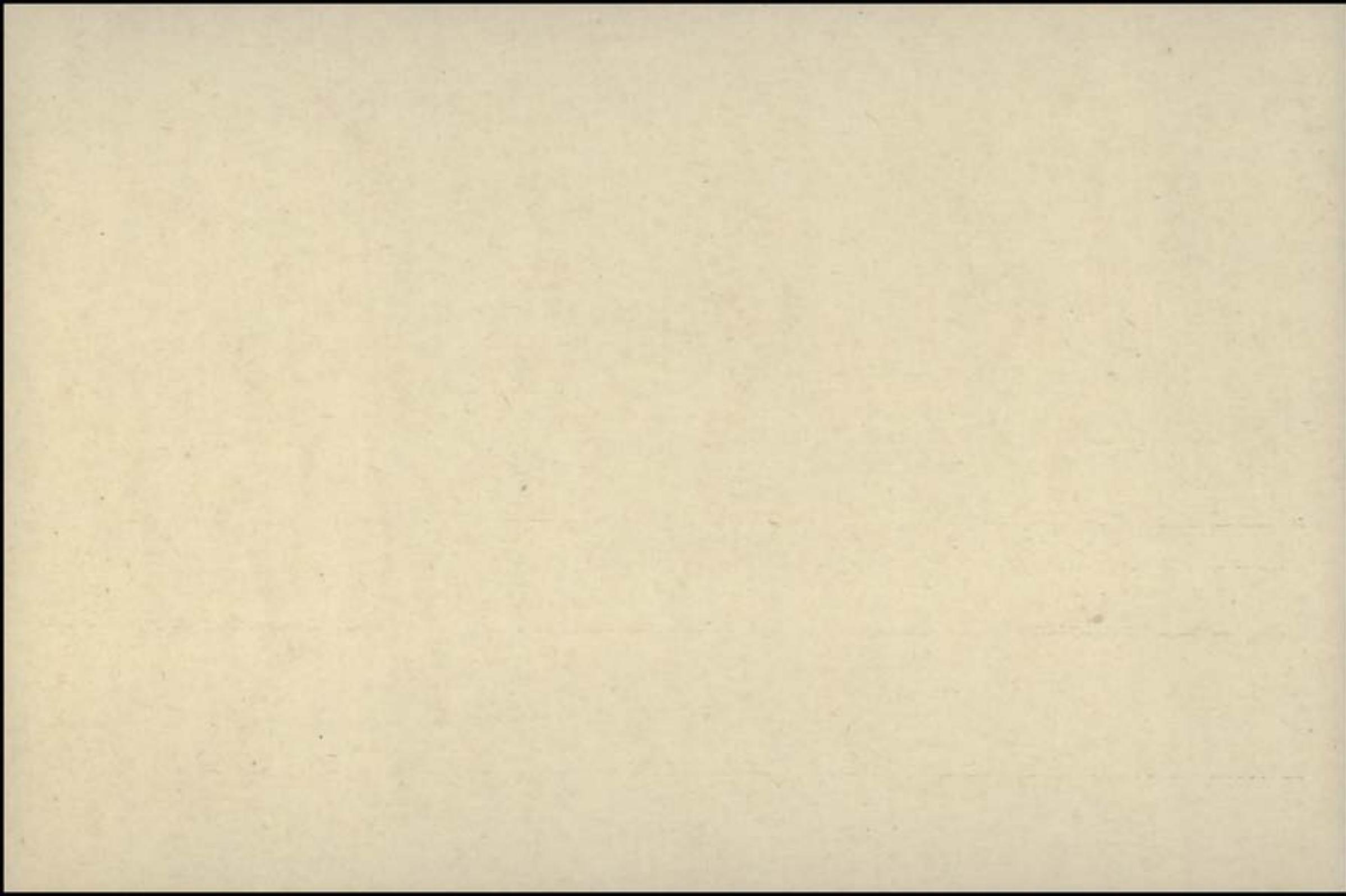
T. O. S. *24-1-17.*

UNIT *240<sup>th</sup> Battalion C. E. F.*

*Ad. 22. 25-1-17.*

M. D. *3*

PAID FROM	PAID TO	SIG. OR REC'T	PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, DISCHARGES, ETC.	
			PARTICULARS	AUTHORITY
<i>1917 Jan. 24.</i>	<i>1917. Jan. 31.</i>	<i>✓</i>	<i>transf. to 257<sup>th</sup> Bn. 31-1-17</i>	<i>Ad. 28. 1-2-17.</i>



No. 1042880 RANK Pte

NAME

Brassard Joseph.

~~F.O.S. Trans from~~ UNIT

257th Battalion Railway Construction

240th Bn.

(W.O.23. 5-2-17)

M. D. 3.

PAID FROM	PAID TO	SIG. OR REC'T	PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, DISCHARGES, ETC.	
			PARTICULARS	AUTHORITY
1917 Feb 1	1917 Feb 28	21.		



Brassard. Jos., Spr. 1042880 7th C.R.T. 649-B-25572

Med. & Dec. ( NIL )

P. & S. ( NIL )

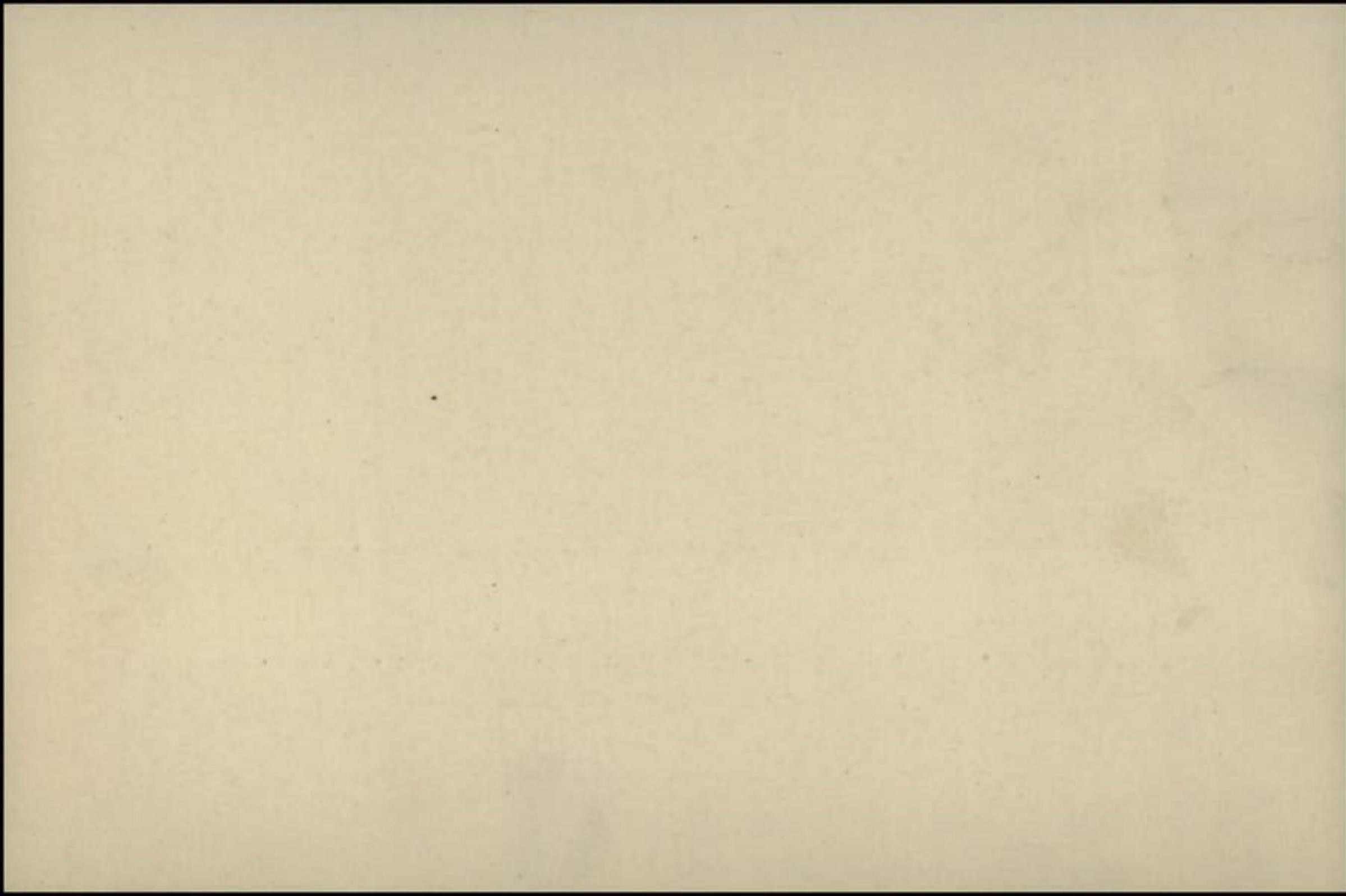
Mem. Cross. ( NIL )

( Unable to locate N/K. )

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Not Eligible for 14-15 Star  
Eligible for V.M.  
Eligible for B.W.M.

R.P.



*com.* Number 1042880 Rank Spr

*W* Surname B ~~R~~ ASSARD

Christian Name Joseph

Units CRT Theatre of War France

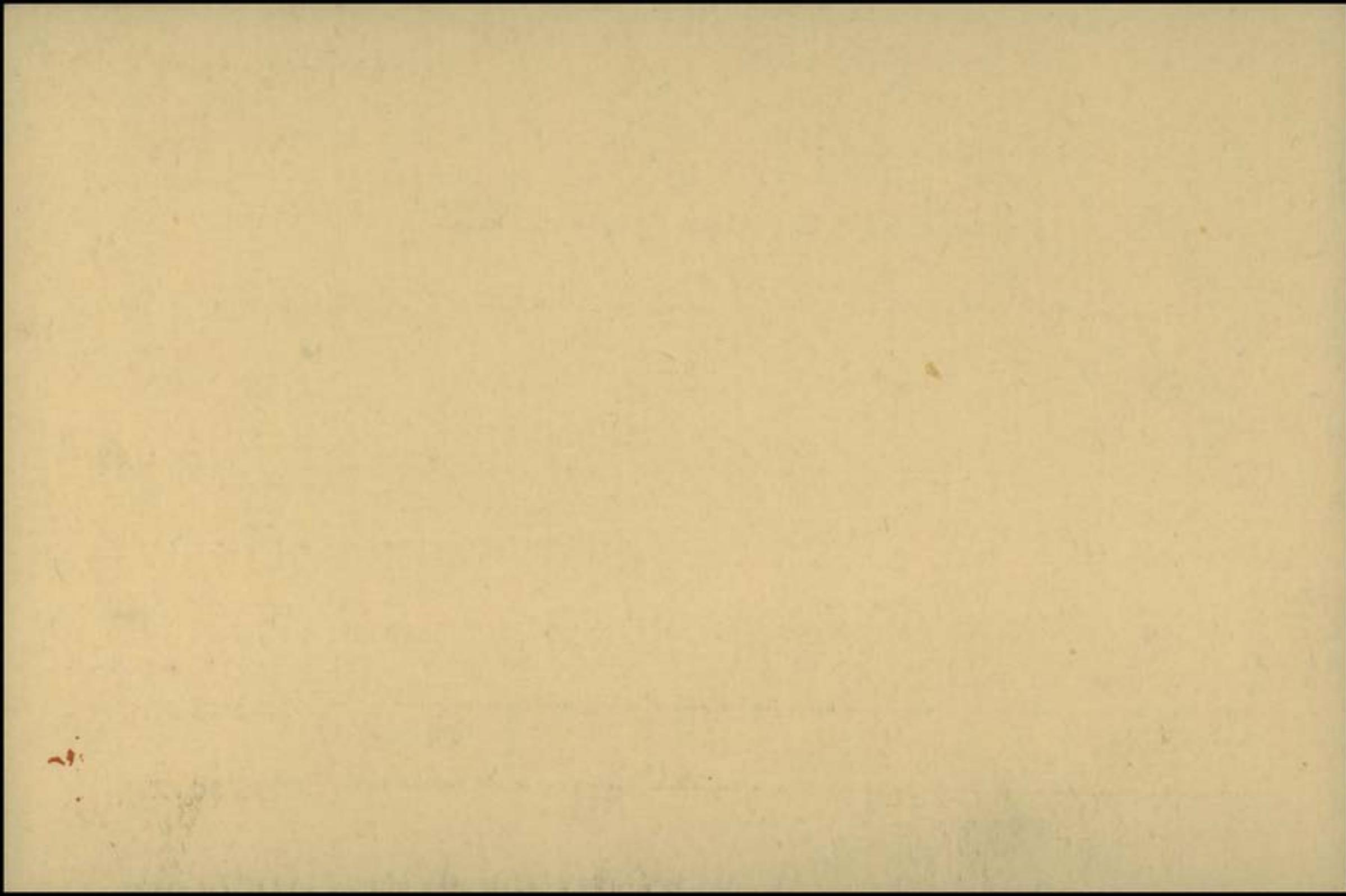
Date of Service 27-3-17 D

Remarks nil

Latest Address

Roll No. B. Page 20336

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HHB. Rank Name BRASSARD, Joseph / Reg'l No. 1042880  
 Unit 257th. Bn. If in perm. Corps, } Married or Single Single  
 What Unit? }  
 Place and Date of Enlistment Renfrew 23rd. Jan. 1917 / Place of Birth Montreal, P.Q. Canada  
 Name and Address, Next-of-Kin Albert Brassard /  
 505 Champlain St. Montreal P.Q.Can. Relationship

Assigned Pay Monthly \$ Payable to Relationship  
 Separation Allowance \$ Payable to Relationship



*W. A. P.*  
 N/E. R.B. No. 2320  
 File R.L. 25-B-5022  
 Category *Deed*

*M. X.*  
*22-1-21*  
*RR*

Discharge, Date and Place Reason Character

H. W. & V., Ltd.—9546-16.

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>1st</i>	<i>Arrived in England</i>		<i>Missanabic 27/2/17</i>	
13-3-17	257th Bn.	NOW KNOWN AS	7th. Bn. C.R.T. Pt. II.	D.O. 56,	
27-3-17	7 <sup>th</sup> C.R.T.	Embarked for France	Surfleet	27-3-17	70
29-5-17	7 <sup>th</sup> C.R.T.	Landed in France	Field	29-5-17	94
24-3-18	7 <sup>th</sup> C.R.T.	Died of Accidental Injuries.	Spl. Field	22-3-18	Pt 026.
2-4-18	6 R.T.	Rept from Base "Died"	Spl. Field	22-3-18	Col. 117 Injuries Accidental

**A.F.B. 103 CHECKED**  
 26 Apr 1917



D. D. & L., London, E.C.  
(A729) Wt W14109/M1501 256 000 1/17 Sch 2

Forms  
A. 2  
49.

PROCEEDINGS of a\* COURT OF ENQUIRY

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

assembled at IN THE FIELD

The proceedings should be signed by each Officer composing the Board, etc.

on the 3RD APRIL, 1918

by order of O.C. 7TH BATTALION C. R. T.

for the purpose of enquiring into and reporting upon the accidental death of No. 1042880 Sapper Brassard, J., 22-3-18.

PRESIDENT.

Major A. L. McAllister

MEMBERS.

Captain R.H. James,

Lieut. W.W. Duncan.

IN ATTENDANCE.

Nil



The COURT having assembled pursuant to order, proceed to take evidence.

1st Witness,  
No. 525105 Spr  
Taylor, A.H.

I am the Medical Orderly of "B" Company, 7th Battalion Canadian Railway Troops. About 7.30am of Friday, March 22nd, 1918, I was notified that there was a Canadian soldier lying dead on the road not far from "B" Company's Camp. With a stretcher-bearer party I immediately proceeded to the spot where the body was lying. I identified the body as that of No. 1042880 Sapper Brassard, J., a member of "B" Company. His skull was fractured from the effects of a blow received on the right temple, which undoubtedly caused instant death. There were a few bruises about the body and his clothes were torn and dirty. The conclusion I reached was that he had been struck by a passing vehicle and dragged along the road for a short distance. The deceased soldier was short sighted and sometimes wore glasses. I would judge he had been dead about 9 or 10 hours. There was no evidence of intoxication.

*Andrew Hamilton Taylor*  
No. 525105, Spr.

2nd Witness,  
No. 672977 Cpl  
Beauchesne, J.H.

I am a Corporal in "B" Company of the 7th Battalion Canadian Railway Troops. On the night of March 21st, 1918, I went with Sapper Brassard to the village of OMIECOURT. We went together into a house there, not an estaminet, and had some eggs, bread and wine. About 10 minutes to 8 o'clock Spr Brassard went out. He was quite sober at the time he went out. I did not see him again.

*J.H. Beauchesne*  
No. 672977, Cpl.

3rd Witness,  
No. 504019 A/BSM  
Free, D.B.

I was acting Company Sergeant-Major of "B" Company on March 22nd, 1918. About 7.30am on that day a sentry of the 217th R.E. Company informed me that the driver of a motor ambulance car had pulled up at their camp about midnight, stating that the body of a soldier was lying on the road. The Sergeant of the Guard of the 217th R.E.'s despatched a small party to remove the body to the roadside and to identify and cover it. They identified the body as that of a Canadian soldier and thought he was a member of "B" Company. The traffic was extremely heavy during the night and the night was very dark.

*D.B. Free*  
No. 504019, A/BSM.

4th Witness,  
Capt. V.K.O'Gorman,  
C.A.M.C.

I am the Medical Officer of the 7th Battalion Canadian Railway Troops. On March 22nd, 1918, I examined the deceased soldier No. 1042880 Sapper Brassard, J. Death had resulted from a fractured skull in the region of the right temple, evidently due to impact with some part of a passing motor vehicle.

*V.K.O'Gorman*  
Captain, C.A.M.C.

The COURT having considered the evidence submitted herein are agreed:

1. That traffic along the main road on the night in question was exceptionally heavy and extremely urgent.
2. That the night was very dark.
3. That the deceased soldier was short sighted.
4. That death probably resulted from injuries inflicted by a passing motor vehicle.
5. That the causes of death were purely accidental.
6. That no blame can be attached to the deceased soldier or to any other person.

FINDING.- SUBMITTED ACCORDINGLY.

*A.H. Allister*  
Major PRESIDENT.

*A. St James*  
Capt MEMBERS.  
*W.D. Duncan*  
H.

In the Field.

3rd April, 1918.



APPROVED

*J.B. Hardout*  
Lieut.-Col.,  
O.C. 7th Battalion C.R.T.



