

ATTESTATION PAPER.

No. 12851.

Folio. 388

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.

(ANSWERS).

- 1. What is your name?..... G. L. Holmden
  - 2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born?..... Montreal Que
  - 3. What is the name of your next-of-kin?..... Mrs. J. R. Holmden
  - 4. What is the address of your next-of-kin?..... 47 Fairmont Ave. Ottawa, Ont.
  - 5. What is the date of your birth?..... 1885
  - 6. What is your Trade or Calling?..... Piano stringer
  - 7. Are you married?..... no
  - 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated?..... yes
  - 9. Do you now belong to the Active Militia?..... yes
  - 10. Have you ever served in any Military Force?.. If so, state particulars of former Service. .... 16<sup>th</sup> Light Horse.
  - 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
- Geo. L. Holmden (Signature of Man).  
 J. R. Holmden (Signature of Witness).

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, George Lawrence Holmden, 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 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 Sep 18 1914. Geo. L. Holmden (Signature of Recruit). J. R. Holmden (Signature of Witness).

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, George Lawrence Holmden, 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 Sep 18 1914. Geo. L. Holmden (Signature of Recruit). J. R. Holmden (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 Valentin this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September 1914.

J. S. Edger (Signature of Justice). J. R. Holmden (Signature of Recruit).

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Attestation of the above-named Recruit. Meja (Signature). G. B. Nichol (Approving Officer).

5th Batt 2nd Bde. 16 Light Horse

B 12851

### Description of Pvt. G. L. Holmden on Enlistment.

Apparent Age 19 years 5 months.  
(To be determined according to the instructions given in the Regulations for Army Medical Services.)

Height 5 ft. 10 ins.

Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 37 ins.  
Range of expansion 3 ins.

Complexion Fair

Eyes Brown

Hair Med Brown

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

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.)

1 Scar. mark left arm  
1 Scar. left neck  
1 " behind right knee

### 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 Sep. 10th 1914.

Place Valcartier

[Signature]  
Medical Officer.

\*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:—

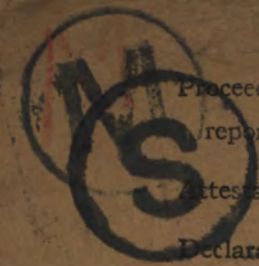
### CERTIFICATE OF OFFICER COMMANDING UNIT.

G. L. Holmden 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.

[Signature] (Signature of Officer)

Date Sept 23rd 1914.

[Signature]



6/19/18 am

- Proceedings of Court of Inquiry or on men reported Missing on Active Service.....
- Attestation Papers.....
- Declaration of change of name.....
- Authority for special enlistments.....
- Documents of re-enlisted men.....
- Regimental Conduct Sheet.....
- Compulsory Stoppages.....
- Casualty Forms.....
- 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.....
- Proceedings of Regt. Court Martial.....
- Copies of Convictions by Civil Power.....
- Company Conduct Sheet.....
- Clothing Transfer Certificate.....
- Inventory of Kit.....
- Last Pay Certificate.....

### DISCHARGE DOCUMENTS

Name HOLMDEN GEORGE E. A.  
 Regt. No. 12851 Rank Pvt

R. O. No. ....  
 H. Q. No. ....



5th Bn. 2nd Inf. Bdg. C. O. 30748

Cards 1. Casualty.

*Killed in Action 19/8/15*

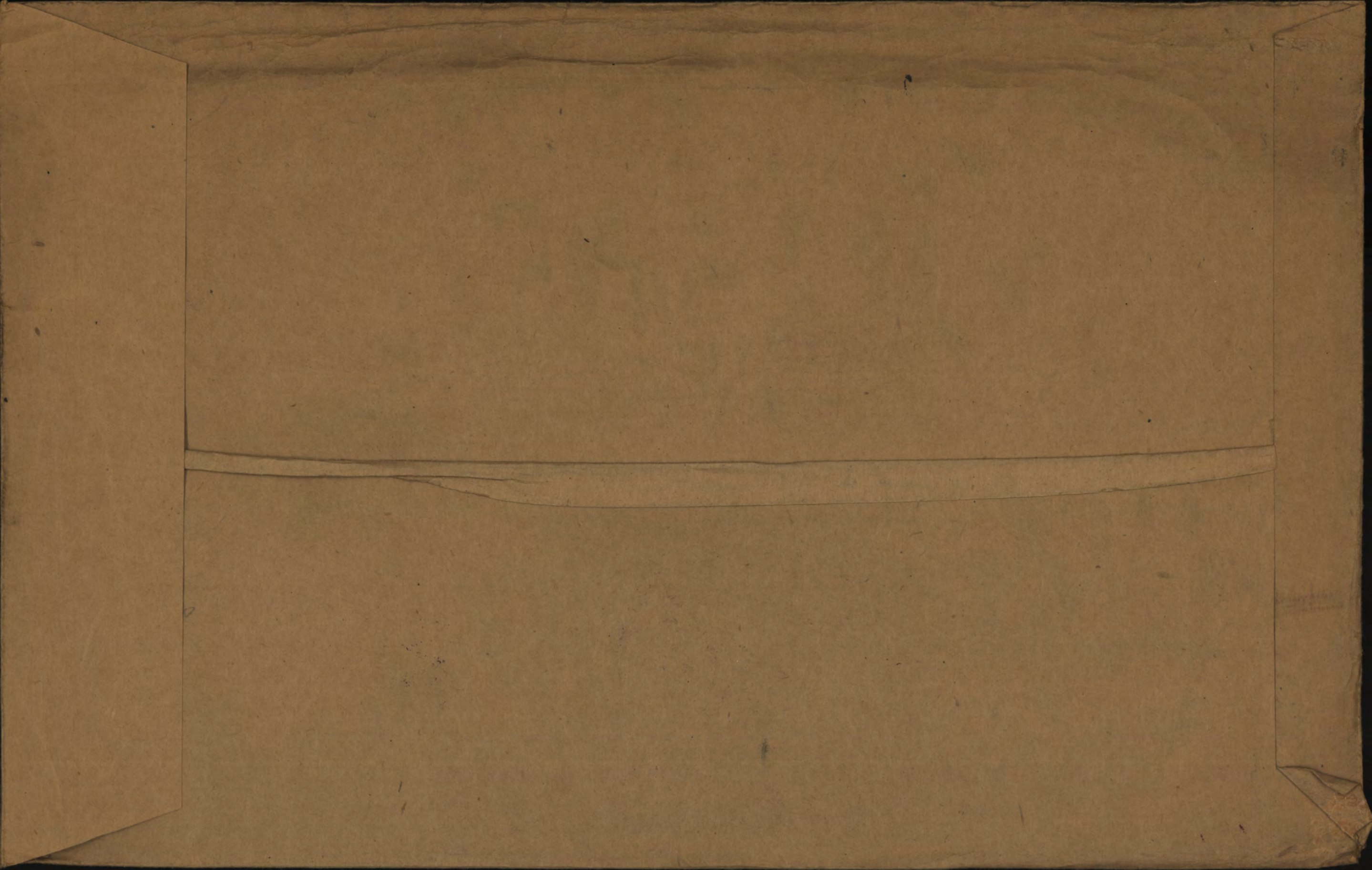
*medals 20-20-20*



A. S. B. / 22  
 2 pay cards  
 1 pay card

(B)  
 3 - 27  
 22 - 28  
 26 28

M. L. 11 2/20. (C)





NAME

REG. NO.

FILE NO.

DATE IN

DATE OUT

P. A. OR B.F.

DATE  
REQUIRED

REMARKS

Scroll Desp. ~~17/10~~Reqn. No. ~~21036~~Plague Desp. ~~est.~~Reqn. No. ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~

*Appended on 2/1/10 from*

*'Unmarried' on list to D (R-147-20*

SURNAME.

*Holmden.*

CARD NO.

*D*

CHRISTIAN NAMES

*George. Lawrence.*

FOLL.

REGL. No. *12851*

RANK *Pte.*

UNIT *5th*

*Bn.*

FORMER CORPS *16th Horse*

NEXT OF KIN.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NAMES IN FULL

*Holmden, H. R.*

RELATIONSHIP TO SOLDIER

*Not stated*

ADDRESS

~~*#7*~~ *Fairmont Ave.*  
*41* *Ottawa Ont.*

*Recd Letter. 16.2.18.*

COUNTRY OF BIRTH

*Canada. Montreal P.Q.*

DATE

*1885.*

PLACE OF ATTESTATION

*Valcartier P.Q.*

DATE

*Sept 18th 1914*

From Quebec

Per S. S. Lapland Oct 4. 1914

MARRIED

SINGLE

yes

WIDOWER

TRADE OR CALLING

Piano  
Stringer

RELIGION

Church of England

DESCRIPTION.

APPARENT AGE

19

YEARS

5

MONTHS

HEIGHT

5

FEET

10

INCHES

CHEST MEASUREMENT

37

INCHES

EXPANSION

3

INCHES

COMPLEXION

Fair

EYES

Brown

HAIR

Med Brown

DISTINGUISHING MARKS

1 Vacc mark l. arm.  
1 scar left of neck. 1 scar behind  
right knee.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

PLACE

Valcartier P.Q.

DATE

Sept 10th 1914

Present Address Not stated



No. 12851

RANK *Pte*NAME *Holmden Geo.*

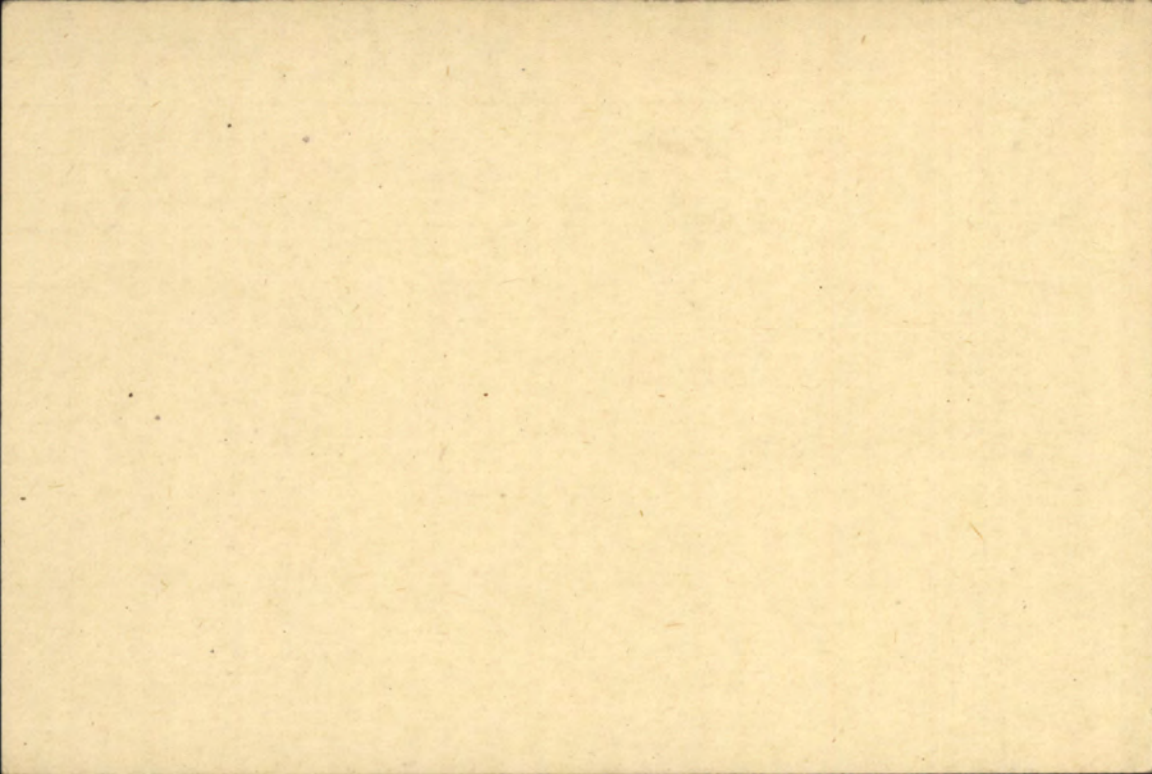
T. O. S.

UNIT *16<sup>th</sup> Light House*

M. D. 10

PAID FROM	PAID TO	SIG. OR REC'T	PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, DISCHARGES, ETC.	
			PARTICULARS	AUTHORITY
<i>1914</i>	<i>1914</i>			
<i>Aug. 20</i>	<i>Aug. 26</i>	<i>✓</i>		
<i>Aug. 27</i>	<i>Sept. 21</i>	<i>✓</i>	<i>Now on 5th. Bn. payroll</i>	<i>Sept. payroll.</i>
<i>Sept. 22</i>	<i>Oct 31</i>	<i>✓</i>		

**UNIT SAILED**  
**OCT 3 1914**



NAME *Holmden George Lawrence* REG'T'L. No. *12851.*

RANK AND CORPS

*Pte. 5<sup>th</sup> Batt.:*NO. *1922.*

## CABLE

NO.

DATE

NATURE OF CASUALTY

FOLL.

NO.	DATE	NATURE OF CASUALTY	FOLL.
<i>M. 820</i>	<i>30-8-15</i>	<i>Killed in Action. Aug. 19<sup>th</sup></i>	
<i>A. F. B. 2090A</i>	<i>Rouen 11-9-15.</i>	<i>Dead 19-8-15.</i>	

LIST No.

HOSPITAL

DATE OF  
ADMISSION

REMARKS

✓ 69	No. 2 Can. Dd Amb.		
	Trans. to No. 2 Cas. Cl. Stat.	10-5-15	Dental
↓ 147	O.C. 5 <sup>th</sup> Battr. reports	19/8/15	Killed in action.

Name Holmden G.E. Rank Pte. Reg. No. 12851.

Unit 5th Battalion Canadians.

Rk. 25-N-328

Next of Kin Canada.

Date	Movement	Place	Casualty	List No.	Notified N/K O.	W.O. List
19-8-15.	O.C. 5th Batt. reports		Killed in		820	
	( D.C.S. 160 )		Action	147		

Date	Movement	Place	Casualty	List No.	Notified N/K O.	W.O. List
1917	...	...	...	...	...	...
1917	...	...	...	...	...	...
1917	...	...	...	...	...	...
1917	...	...	...	...	...	...
1917	...	...	...	...	...	...

Rs  
Number 12851 Rank Pte

Surname HOLMDEN G253 FEB 23 1921

Christian Names Geo. Lawrence

Unit 5th Bn. Can. Inf. Theatre of War France

Dates of Service 7-10-14/16-3-15/19-8-15 D

Remarks

(Father)  
Latest Address Hensley B. Holmden

41 Fairmount Ave

Roll No. B Ottawa Ont

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59108 Beth

MAY 27 1921

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Surname

Christian Name or Names

Reg. No.

Holmden.

J. L.

12851.

Rank

Unit

Co.

Troop

Batty.

Pte

5th Batta.

Hospital No. 2. Can. Hld. Amb.

Date of Admission

Transferred to No. 2. Cas. Clg. Sta.

Hosp. 10/5/15.

Hosp.

Hosp.

Hosp.

Diagnosis

Dental

(1) Later Diagnosis (if changed)

(2)

(3)

Additional Diagnoses, if more than one state present

DISPOSITION

Date

Killed in Action 19-8-15

REMARKS

C.L. 29/5/15.

69.

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

EPITOME OF HOSPITAL TREATMENT.

Hospital

Adm.

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 5<sup>th</sup> Batt. 2<sup>nd</sup> Inf. Bdg. C.C.C.F.

Regimental No. B12851 Rank Private Name Holmden George L.

Enlisted (a) 12/8/14 Terms of Service (a) duration of war Service reckons from (a) 12 Aug. 1914

Date of promotion to } \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment } \_\_\_\_\_ Numerical position on } \_\_\_\_\_  
 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. 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				
20/5/15	# 2 Cpl.	Transferred to Base Coy, 5 <sup>th</sup> Bn Targon on str. of 5 <sup>th</sup> Bn Dental Caries	Edinworth	27/2/15	
16/5/15	# 2 Can't damb	Do	Field	16/3/15	Part 2 orders 27/2/15
12/6/15	27d amb	Hemorrhage Bowels To duty.	Field	10/5/15	A 36
21/8/15	ocs 4 <sup>th</sup> Bn.	Killed in Action	Field	10/5/15	A 36
				9/6/15	A 36
				19/8/15	B213

**H**  
P.T.O.

*W. Smith*  
CAPT.  
OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS  
CANADIAN SECTION G. H. Q.

(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.

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Date	From whom received				
4/9/15	OCS-	Killed in Action		19.8.15	PT II O. 27. & Cas Rep 147. of 30/8/15  H. Handy LIEUT. FOR LT: COL: I/C RECORDS. C.O.M.F.

NAME HOLMDEN, George Laurence.

Regimental No. 12851

Name and address of next-of-kin

Unit 5th Bn.

H.R. Holmden,  
47 Fairmont Ave,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Date of enlistment 18th Sept., 1914.

Place of "birth" Quebec.

Married (yes or no) No.

Date and place discharged 19/8/15

Amount of pay assigned monthly \$

Reason for discharge Killed in action

To whom payable

Character on discharge

Date 1914		PAY		Field Allowance			Other Credits	Total Credits	Voucher		Cash Payments	Assigned pay	Other Charges	Total Debits	Remarks, Casualties, etc.		
From	To	No. of Days	Rate	Amount	No. of Days	Rate			Amount	No.						Date	
9/22	10/31	40	1	40	40	10	4	44	-		25		25				
1/11	30/11	30	1	30	30	10	3	19	52		40		5	45	Fine B.O. Nov. 11 <sup>th</sup>		
1/12	31/12	31	1	31	31	10	3	10	7	41	10		20	20			
1/15	31/15	31	1	31	31	10	3	10	21	10	55	20	45	9	90	Fine B.O. 25/1/15	
1/2/15	28/2/15	28	1	28	28	10	2	80	30	31	10		250	250	5	B.O. L.P.C. 28/2/15	
1/3/15	11/3/15	11	1	11	11	10	1	10	26	10	38	20	10	10			
12/15	8/1/15	20	1	20	20	10	2	28	20	50	20		15	21	Remittance d/yes advance		
1/4/15	30/4/15	30	1	30	30	10	3	29	20	62	20		3	3	Column out		
1/5/15	31/5/15	31	1	31	31	10	3	10	59	20	93	30	9	9			
1/6/15	30/6/15	30	1	30	30	10	3	84	30	117	30	319	3	3			
1/7/15	31/7/15	31	1	31	31	10	3	114	30	148	40	341	3	3			
							146	40									
Adjustment of Exchange 482-																	
1-8-15	19-8-15	19	1	19	19	10	1	90	150	22	14	12	82	54	82	54	Killed in A. 19.8.15. B.O.
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Check sent to Ottawa for settlement April 14/16																	

Statement  
APR 6 1916  
Account rendered

CASH OFFICE BRANCH  
CANADIAN CONTINENTS

Cash found in  
check

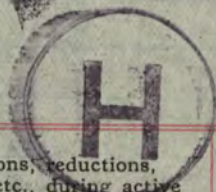


Rank and Name **HOLMDEN, George Laurence**  
 Regimental No. **12851** Name and Address of Next-of-kin  
 Unit **5th Batt** **H.R. Holmden**  
 Date of enlistment **18 Sept. 1914.** **47, Fairmont Ave.,**  
 Place of birth **P.Q.** **Ottawa, Ont..**  
 Married (Yes or No) **No.** Date and place of discharge  
 If in Permanent Force Reason for discharge  
 Character on discharge

38445

19.8.15  
 Killed in action

Promotions or appointments



15 N/E R.B.2

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				
11. 11-14	O.C. 5 Bn	Deprived of 5 days pay	West Borden South		
28. 1-15	O.C. 11 Bn	Transf. to 11 Bn	Canada on Bills	31-1-15	Pl 2 D.O. Pl 2 D.O. 74.
12 3/15	O.C. Depot	Embarked		12-3-15	Tidworth Orders
20 3/15	O.C. 11 Bn	Transf. Inf. Base Det.	Tidworth	28-2-15	Batt. Orders
27 3/15	O.C. 5 Bn	Transf. to 5th Batt.	France.	16-3-15	Part II D.O.
29. 5-15	W.O.	Adm'd No 2 Com. Field Ambulance		10-5-15	Cas. Rep. 69
30. 8-15	W.O.	Transf. to No 2 Cas. Clearing Station		19.8.15	Cas. Rep. 147
4. 9-15	O.C. 5				Pl 2 D.O. 27

Det.

4 A 7 19. 103.





Army Form B. 178.

To be used for recruits enlisting direct into the Regular Army only.  
 Army Form B. 178<sup>A</sup> to be used for Special Reserve recruits and  
 Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

## MEDICAL HISTORY of

Surname H O L M D E N Christian Name George L.

TABLE I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace ... Parish Montreal County Quebec, Canada.

Examined ... { on 14th day of September 1914.  
 at Valcartier.

Declared Age ... 19 years ... days.

Trade or Occupation ... Piano Stringer.

Height ... 5 feet, 10 inches.

Weight ... 170 lbs.

Chest { Girth when fully Expanded. 37 inches.

Measurement { Range of Expansion 3 inches.

Physical Development ... Good

Vaccination Marks { Arm ... Right Left 2  
 Number 2

When Vaccinated ... 1911

Vision ... { R.E.—V=  
 L.E.—V=

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease ... { (a) 1 scar left of neck.

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection ... { (b) 1 scar behind at knee.

Approved by (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Rank) \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Officer.

Enlisted ... { at Grenfield  
 on 12th day of August 1914.

Corps.	Regtl. No.
<u>16th L.H. 12.8.14</u>	<u>1 2 8 5 1.</u>
<u>5th Batt. B.2nd Imp. Brig. 5.9.14.</u>	

Became non-effective by \_\_\_\_\_  
 on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 191 .

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Rank) \_\_\_\_\_



List in the case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.

Remarks bearing on the cause, nature, or treatment of the case, likely to be of interest or of future use. In cases of syphilis, admissions and re-admissions to hospital must be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars of treatment out of hospital, transfers, &c., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.

Signature of Medical Officer.

Recovered

W. A. Burgess (Capt)

