

ORIGINAL.

ATTESTATION PAPER.

No. 28940

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

Folio. 1004

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.

(ANSWERS).

- 1. What is your name? *No. 28940 John Thomson*
- 2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born? *Edinburgh Scot*
- 3. What is the name of your next-of-kin? *Brother*
- 4. What is the address of your next-of-kin? *C.P.R. Shops Montreal P.Q.*
- 5. What is the date of your birth? *27th Sept 1881*
- 6. What is your Trade or Calling? *Mariner*
- 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? *Loyal North Lancashire Regt. 8 Years*  
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*

*J. Thomson* (Signature of Man).  
*J. E. Macdonald* (Signature of Witness).

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, *John Thomson*, 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 *23 September 1914.* *John Thomson* (Signature of Recruit)  
*Alex. G. Macdonald* (Signature of Witness)

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, *John Thomson*, 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 *23 September 1914.* *John Thomson* (Signature of Recruit)  
*Alex. G. Macdonald* (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 *Montreal* this *23rd* day of *Sept.* 1914.

*J. E. Macdonald* (Signature of Justice)

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Attestation of the above-named Recruit.

*M. J. Macdonald* (Approving Officer)

72<sup>nd</sup> Seaforth  
16th Bn

D

Description of Pte John Thomson on Enlistment.

Apparent Age 22 years 8 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. 10 1/2 ins.

2 pock left arm  
Scar above left eyebrow

Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 38 1/2 ins.  
Range of expansion 6 1/2 ins.

Complexion .....

Eyes .....

Hair .....

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

**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 7 Sept 1914.

Place Halifax

A. H. Bennett  
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.**

J. Thomson 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. H. Bennett (Signature of Officer)

Date Sept. 23 1914.

Capt.

APB 26/6/18

- 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

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



*Dismiss*

Name Thomson John  
 Regt. No. 28940 Rank Sgt.  
 Corps 16<sup>th</sup> Bn.  
 Killed in action 14-9-15



*Metals*  
16/8/20

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 Cards, Part 4  
 1. Casualty

*Metals*  
8/11/19

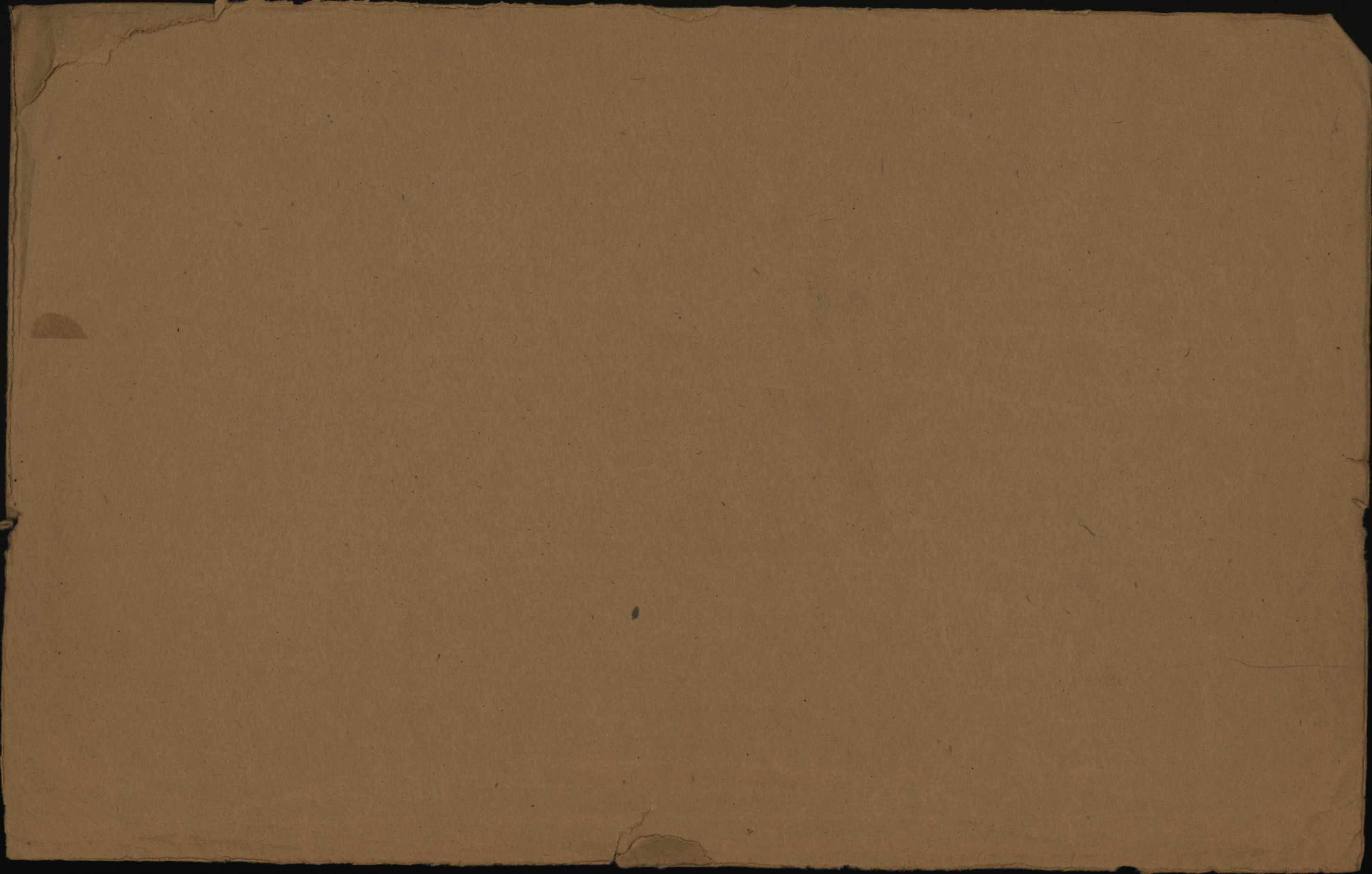
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*26/6/18*  
*100 20*



28940

I.D. number  
No. d'identification

Thomson

Surname  
Nom de famille

John

Given names  
Prénoms

KIA 14/09/15

**NATIONAL PERSONNEL RECORDS CENTRE**  
**CENTRE NATIONAL DES DOCUMENTS**  
**DU PERSONNEL**

**PERSONNEL RECORDS ENVELOPE**  
**ENVELOPPE DES DOSSIERS DU PERSONNEL**

Location  
Lieu

Box: 9645

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*Haw*

Number. *28940* ..... Rank. *Sgt* .....

Surname. *THOMSON* .....

Christian Names. *John* .....

Unit. *16th Br. Cav. Inf.* Theatre of War. *France* .....

Dates of Service. .... *19* .....

Remarks. ....

Latest Address. *Mr. Wm. Thomson* .....

*39. Anglesey St.* .....

Roll No. *B* *Livesey, Mill Hill*  
*Blackburn, Lancs. Eng.*

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SURNAME.

Thomson.

CARD NO. C

CHRISTIAN NAMES

John.

FOLIO

D

REGL. NO.

28940.

RANK

Serjt.

Bn.

UNIT

16th.

FORMER CORPS

Lances. Regt. Supt.

NEXT OF KIN.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NAMES IN FULL

Thomson Mr.

RELATIONSHIP TO SOLDIER

Brother.

ADDRESS

C. P. R. shops, Montreal  
P. Q.

COUNTRY OF BIRTH

Scotland. Edinburgh

DATE Sept. 27th. 1881.

PLACE OF ATTESTATION

Valcartier. P. Q.

DATE Sept. 23rd. 1914.

From Quebec per. S.S. Andania 7-10-14

MARRIED

SINGLE *yes.*

WIDOWER

TRADE OR CALLING

*machinist.*

RELIGION

*Not stated*

DESCRIPTION.

APPARENT AGE

*32* YEARS

*8* MONTHS

HEIGHT

*5* FEET

*7* INCHES

CHEST MEASUREMENT

*37* INCHES

EXPANSION

*4* INCHES

COMPLEXION

*Fair.*

EYES

*Blue.*

HAIR

*DK. Brown.*

DISTINGUISHING MARKS

*2 pock left arm. scar  
above left eyebrow.*

MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

PLACE

*Valcartier, P.Q.*

DATE

*Sept. 7th. 1914.*

*Present Address - Not stated.*

NAME

Thomson. John

H. Q. FILE No. 649-

REG'TL. NO.

28940 ✓

RANK AND CORPS

Sgt. 16<sup>th</sup> Batt.

NO.

616

CABLE

NO.

DATE

NATURE OF CASUALTY

FOLL.

M. 1068

23-9-15

Killed in Action, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>

LIST No.

HOSPITAL

DATE OF  
ADMISSION

REMARKS

V 152 (2)

Rep from the Base

14-9-18

Killed in Action

Name THOMSON. J. Rank Piper.

Reg. No. 28694.

Unit 16th Battalion.

25-T-54

Next of Kin Mrs. M. Thomson, Beeswing, Dumfries,  
Scotland.

| Date  | Movement              | Place             | Casualty | List<br>No. | Notified<br>N/K O. | W.O. List |
|-------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------|-------------|--------------------|-----------|
| 1915. | Reported from Base... | Killed in Action. |          | 42          |                    |           |
| 25-5  |                       |                   |          |             |                    |           |



*H.C.P.*

THOMSON, J. Pte. #28940, 16th Battalion.

*Big M. 1914-15 Stars 16<sup>th</sup> Bn. Pte*

13791

Medals (Brother)  
&  
Dec.

Wm. Thomson, Esq.,  
39 Anglesey St.,  
Livesey, Mill Hill,  
Blackburn, Lancs.  
England.

P. & S. (Mother)

Mrs. J. Thomson,  
202 Prefontain St.,  
Montreal, P.Q.

*See # 797762*  
*found - returned*

Memorial  
Cross

Scroll Desp. APR 7 - 1921 eqn. No. 2-35/6

JUL 30 1921 Reqn. No. P-744

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Memorial Cross found & returned

28<sup>th</sup>  
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M



Surname

Christian Name or Names

Reg. No.

Thomson, J.  
Rank Sgt. Unit 16th Batt<sup>n</sup>

28940

Rank

Unit

Co.

Troop

Batty.

Hospital

Date of Admission

Transferred W.I. Gen. Hosp.

Hosp. 2-2-15

Hosp.

Hosp.

Hosp.

Diagnosis

subconjunctival

(1) Later Diagnosis (if changed)

Killed in Action.

(2)

(3)

Additional Diagnoses, if more than one state present

DISPOSITION

To duty:- 4.2.15

Date

Q. 10. W. I. G. H.  
O. L. 22. 9. 15.

152<sup>2</sup>

REMARKS

Killed in action  
Reported from Base  
14.9.15.

A.M.D. 2 DEPT.

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

EPITOME OF HOSPITAL TREATMENT.

Hospital

Adm.

1.

2.

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1917

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Casualty Form—Active Service.

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Regiment or Corps 16<sup>th</sup> Battalion (E. Co. Seaforth's)

Regimental No. 28940 Rank Obapt Name Thomson, John

Enlisted (a) 23/14 Terms of Service (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_

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) \_\_\_\_\_

| 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        |  |                     |         |  |
| 5/8     | OC<br>16 <sup>th</sup> Bn | To be Corporal vice Brock (killed)   | 16 <sup>th</sup> Bn | 25/5    | K17-7-16 5/8   |
| 5/8     | OC<br>16 <sup>th</sup> Bn | To be Sergeant vice Mitchell (killed)  | 16 <sup>th</sup> Bn | 14/6    | K17-7-16 5/8   |
| 14/9    | No 3 C.F.A.               | Killed in action   |                     | 14/9/15 | K4-7-16 Tn 14/9  |
| 21.9.15 | W.O.                      | Killed in action   | France              | 14.9.15 | Cas str. 152. 7 <sup>th</sup> NR<br>PT 4 O. #29<br>L. G. Lundy<br>LIEUT.<br>FOR LT: COL: I/C RECORDS. C.O.M.F. |

G. G. Guesse (Signature)  
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 |  |       |      |   |
|        |                    |  |       |      |   |

NAME THOMSON, John.

Cpl.

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Regimental No. 28940

Name and address of next-of-kin

Unit 16th Battalion.

Mr. Thomson (Brother)

Date of enlistment 23 Sept. 1914.

C.P.R. Shops,

Place of Birth. Scotland.

Montreal, P.Q.

Married (yes or no) No.

Date and place discharged

14/9/15

Amount of pay assigned monthly \$

Reason for discharge

Killed in action

To whom payable

Character on discharge

| Date |         | 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.   |
| 1914 | Sept 22 | Oct 31      | 40   | 1.00            | 40          | 1.00          | 40            | 3       | 51     | -             | 45           | 45            | 300 grant near by |  |   |
|      | Nov 1   | Nov 30      | 30   | 1.10            | 33          | 1.00          | 30            | 6       | 42     | -             | 40           | 40            |                   |  |   |
|      | Dec 1   | 31          | 31   | 1.10            | 34          | 1.00          | 31            | 2       | 20     | -             | 15           | 15            |                   |  |   |
|      | Jan 1   | 31          | 31   | 1.10            | 34          | 1.00          | 31            | 24      | 26     | -             | 45           | 45            |                   |  |   |
| 1915 | Feb 1   | Feb 28      | 28   | 1.10            | 30          | 1.00          | 28            | 16      | 46     | -             | 50           | 190           | 190               | Remarks to Ranko Feb. 10. B.O. 393. Dr. 1.90 |   |
|      | Mar 1   | Mar 31      | 31   | 1.00            | 31          | 1.00          | 31            | 10      | 48     | -             | 82           | 20            | 9                 |  |   |
|      | Apr 1   | Apr 30      | 30   | 1.10            | 33          | 1.00          | 30            | 4       | 30     | -             | 106          | 20            | 6                 |  |   |
|      | May 1   | May 31      | 31   | 1.10            | 34          | 1.00          | 31            | 10      | 100    | -             | 134          | 30            | -                 |  |   |
|      | June 1  | June 30     | 30   | 1.10            | 33          | 1.00          | 30            | 3       | 134    | -             | 164          | 30            | 12                |  |   |
|      | July 1  | 31          | 31   | 1.10            | 34          | 1.00          | 31            | 3       | 155    | -             | 189          | 40            | 12                |  |   |
|      |         |             |      |                 |             |               |               | 177     | 40     |               | 184          |               |                   |  |   |
|      |         |             |      |                 |             |               |               | 490     |        |               |              |               |                   |  |   |
|      | Aug 1   | 31          | 31   | 1.10            | 34          | 1.00          | 31            | 10      | 182    | -             | 216          | 40            | 33                | 22   | Promoted Cpl 25.5.15. Part II 227 = Cr 11.30      |
|      | Sept 1  | 14          | 14   | 1.10            | 15          | 1.00          | 14            | 1       | 40     | -             | 53           | 6             | 5                 | 36   | Promoted Sgt. 14.6.15. Part II 227 = Cr 24.90     |
|      |         |             |      |                 |             |               |               | 232     | 40     |               |              |               |                   |  | Killed in action 14.9.15                          |
|      |         |             |      |                 |             |               |               | 768     | 240    | 10            |              |               |                   |  | Part II # 227. Paid by Estates/ See attached clip |

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Account rendered

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Killed in action 14.9.15  
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Rank and Name THOMSON, John *Spl.*

Regimental No. 28940

Name and Address of Next-of-kin

Unit 16 Batt

Mr Thomson - Brother

Date of enlistment 23 Sept. 1914.

C.P.R. Shops,

Place of birth Scotland.

Montreal, P.Q.

Married (Yes or No) No.

Date and place of discharge

If in Permanent Force

Reason for discharge

Character on discharge

Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service. The authority to be quoted in each case

From whom received

Date

N/E: R. 6

File R. L.

Category *KA*

*Killed in action.*

Promotions or appointments

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| Report          |                              | Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service. The authority to be quoted in each case | Place                  | Date            | REMARKS<br>Taken from Official Documents                               |
|-----------------|------------------------------|---|------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Date            | From whom received           |   |                        |                 |  |
| <i>26/2/15.</i> | <i>O. C. 16.</i>             | <i>Reverts to Ranks embarked.</i>   | <i>Que. de la Haye</i> | <i>26/2/15</i>  | <i>Part II Orders 26/2/16.<br/>Nominal Roll 16<sup>th</sup> 1/4/15</i> |
| <i>14/8/15.</i> | <i>O. C. 16<sup>th</sup></i> | <i>Promoted Corp.</i>   | <i>France.</i>         | <i>25/5/15.</i> | <i>Part II Orders # 23.</i>  |
| <i>14/8/15</i>  | <i>as</i>                    | <i>as</i>   | <i>as</i>              | <i>14/6/15.</i> | <i>as # 23.</i>  |
| <i>21-9-15</i>  | <i>W.O.</i>                  | <i>Killed in action</i>   | <i>France</i>          | <i>14-9-15</i>  | <i>Cases # 152. Fr. M.<br/>Part II Orders # 29.</i>                    |
|                 |                              |   |                        | <i>14-9-15</i>  | <i>Part II Orders # 29.</i>  |
|                 |                              |   |                        |                 | <i>Buried at Douane Newe. Eglin Rd. 14-9-15 Graves Comm. B. 125.</i>   |

*K.H. 51*

Rank and Name

Job

Name and Address of Next-of-Kin

Regiment No.

REMARKS  
Taken from Official Documents

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From whom received

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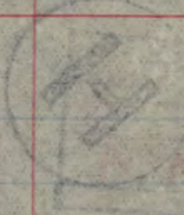
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Date

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