

3rd Canadian Infantry Brigade. 1st Canadian Division. Canadian Corps. March 1st/1919 Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	15th Canadian Battalion 48th Highlanders of Canada.	47908.	Sergeant Harry Armstrong.	<p>Sergeant Armstrong joined the Battalion in May 1915 and since then has continuously shown great devotion to duty and courage in the performance of same. This N.C.O. was especially in evidence during our operations on the Somme and when acting as company sergeant major on the 26th of September when the Battalion carried out the offensive on the enemy's positions to the left of Bourcellette, his cheerful demeanour and brave example to his men was a great assistance to the company in carrying out their objective with success.</p> <p>He was an inspiration to his comrades and maintained a grip of the situation during the attack and also when the new front line position was in the course of consolidation. During this time his cheerful conduct gave his men the utmost support and confidence until the Battalion was relieved.</p>			Mention
					Maj. Beal Commanding 15th Battalion 48th Highlanders of Canada.		

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			<p>This Sgt. Bell distinguished himself in this Battalion not only for his correctness and faithful conduct in his performance of his duties as a signaller but for the part he has taken in the Battalion has taken part in, but for his consistent attention to duty in carrying out his work.</p> <p>Sgt. Bell came to France with the 1st Canadian Brigade in February 1915, and since then has done continuous service with the signal section. As a Private during the 2nd Battle of Ypres in April 1915, he was one of the best men.</p>			

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Sergeant.

David George Bell.

This N.C.O. has distinguished himself in this Unit not only for his courageous and faithful conduct in the performance of his duties as a signaller throughout all the engagements which the Battalion has taken part in, but for his consistent attention to duty in carrying out his work.

Sergt Bell came to France with the Battalion in February 1915 and since then has done continuous service with the Signal Section.

As a Private during the 2nd Battle of Ypres in April 1915 he was one of the best men in the Section and through his marked sense of duty was a great help in maintaining telephone communication with the Battalion Headquarters and the Brigade, until the very last moment. Since that date he has on many occasions established telephone communication under the most trying circumstances, and during the operations on the 3rd of June 1916, under a most intense barrage of enemy artillery fire kept up communication with his advance Stations and Battalion Headquarters throughout the day.

He has always been most attentive to his duties, no matter what the existing circumstances were.

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*Handwritten notes:*  
 D.C.M.  
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*Signature:* L. E. Bent  
 Lieut-Col.  
 Commanding.  
 15th. Battalion.  
 (48th. Highlanders of Canada)

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<p><del>Battalion</del> Highlanders of Canada)</p> <p><i>Daphne</i></p>	47818.	Lance Corporal. Allan Brown.	<p>Lieut/Cpl. Brown joined the Battalion in September 1915 and since that time has been most faithful in the carrying out of all his duties, and has on several occasions displayed great coolness under the enemy fire.</p> <p>On the morning of the 24th February 1917 whilst patrolling the Front Line, he encountered 3 Germans, who demanded his surrender, which he refused and at once attacked them single handed, and fired his Very Pistol at point blank range into the trio, who fired and wounded him in the face, but although wounded he continued to engage them and ultimately, without assistance drove them from the Trench.</p> <p>Lieut/Cpl Brown's alertness in at once taking in the situation, without doubt was instrumental in frustrating a carefully planned enemy raid.</p>	Lieut-Col. Commanding. 15th. Battalion. (48th. Highlanders of Canada)	MENTION.	

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Private.  
George Lewis,  
Butterfield.

Private Butterfield joined the 15th. Battalion in July 1916. and since then has done continuous service. and always carrying out his work in a most faithful and unerring manner.

He was attached to the Intelligence Section soon after his arrival and his work with this section has been uniformly exemplary. His disregard for personal danger has been of great value to his command, and through his consistent devotion to duty has in many cases obtained great praise from his officers.

Private Butterfield has on many occasions carried on his work in patrolling under the most adverse conditions, at which times he exhibited marked ability.

His information has always proved to be reliable and of great assistance to his Unit on occasions where enemy identifications were required.

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*Awarded D.C.M.  
R.O. 3356/98. 9.17.*

*W. B. Beck*  
Lieut. Col.  
Commanding.  
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of Canada.

Lieutenant.  
Eric Wilson, Haldenby.

This Officer joined the Battalion  
in July 1916 and has on several occasions  
since that rendered distinguished service.  
As a Platoon Commander the example  
he has set both in leading his men over the  
barrier and in patrolling are well worthy of mention.

During the period in which he acted as  
Company Commander he showed great ability  
in this position and proved a most capable and  
efficient officer, combined with great coolness  
and determination.

M E N T I O N

*Wm. B. Smith*  
Lieut-Col.  
Commanding.  
15th. Battalion.  
(48th. Highlanders of Canada)

REGIMENT OR COMPANY	UNIT	REGIMENT	RANK AND NAME	ACTION FOR WHICH CONSIDERED	RECOMMENDED BY	HONOUR OR REWARD
				<p>Lieutenant (A/Capt. Hugh John McLau hlin has been with the Battalion 9 Months. In September 1916 he was with the battalion at the Somme and for one tour had Command of a Company. He showed great ability as a Company Commander and handled his Company in the most capable manner. His Company dug the jumping off trench on the night of September 6/7 and this Officer disposed his men on this occasion so well that despite the extremely heavy shelli g there were very few casualties. He has always displayed coolness and great courage under fire and has had the care of his men as his first thought.</p>		

*H. P. Dent*  
 Lieut-Col.  
 Commanding.  
 15th. Battalion.  
 48th. Highlanders of Canada.

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Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
<p>n. Battalion. h. Highlanders f Canada.</p>	<p>447705.</p>	<p><u>Lance Corporal</u>  Thomas Mosley</p>	<p>Burings raid on the enemy trenches in the Calonne Section on March 2nd 1917. This N.C.C. Commanded the mopping up party. After bombing four occupied enemy dugouts and his supply of bombs was exhausted he returned alone to our lines and getting a fresh supply again returned to the enemy lines and continued to bomb three more enemy dugouts. He was the last man of the raiding party to leave the enemy trench and his gallant conduct throughout the action was most distinguished.</p>		<p>Military Medal.</p>	

*Awarded M.M.  
auth. O.C. 2799/20.3.17*

*B. E. Burt*  
Lieutenant-Colonel.  
Commanding.  
15th. Battalion  
48th. Highrs. of Canada.

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Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
5th. Battalion. 4th. Highlanders of Canada.		Lieutenant . Melbourné Parker Neilly.	<p>This Officer organized and led a Raid on the enemy trenches in the Calonne Section on March 2nd. 1917. during which action he displayed most conspicuous gallantry and courage. On entering the enemy trenches he was shot through both arms and although utterly unable to protect himself remained in the enemy trenches for the full period of the time allotted, namely 15 minutes, and directed the bombing of dugouts, the placing of blocks in the trench, and the evacuation of the wounded and prisoners. On the signal to withdraw being given Lieut. Neilly remained in the enemy front line until all of the raiding party returned to our own line, He refused to have his wounds dressed until he had given a full report of the operations to the Commanding Officer.</p> <p>His conduct was most distinguished throughout.</p>		Military Cross.	

*Awarded  
M.C.  
CEA 23/3.17*

*109. Bank*  
Lieut-Col.  
Commanding.  
15th. Battalion.  
(4th. Highlanders of Canada)

*Forwarded to brigade 7.3.17*

UNIT	REG'T NO	RANK AND NAME	ACTION FOR WHICH COMMENDED	RECOMMENDED BY	REWARD
5th. Battalion 4th. Highlanders of Canada.		Lieutenant. William Proudfoot.	<p>This Officer has been with the 15th, Battalion as a Platoon Commander and an Battalion Scout and Intelligence Officer. At the Somme in September 1916 he did excellent work in patrolling enterprises especially in reconnoitering the enemy wire. He has brought the organization of the battalion Scout and Intelligence section up to a high standard of efficiency and has trained his men very thoroughly in sniping. His Section always accounts for a number of enemy casualties of this kind in every tour in the Trenches. On the Vimy Front he carried on a nightly patrol and gained much valuable information. He also had several encounters with enemy patrols. In the reconnoitering section he has shown great keenness in his study of the enemy and by careful observation has gained much valuable information and locations etc. He deserves great credit for the work he has done.</p>	W. S. BENT	M. I. O. M.

W. S. Bent  
Lieut - Col.  
15th. Battalion.  
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<p><u>15th. Battalion.</u> <u>Highlanders</u> <u>Canada.</u></p>		<p><u>Lieutenant.</u> <u>Samuel, John, Reeves.</u></p>	<p>This Officer Commanded a Section of a Raiding party on the night of March 2nd. 1917 in the Calonne Section.</p> <p>On entering the enemy trenches the party met with stiff opposition and were heavily bombed. Lieut. Reeves though wounded led the attack on the enemy, overpowered them, drove them out of the trench, and established a block at this point. He then bombed four occupied enemy dugouts and captured two prisoners. He was the last of his party to leave the enemy trench, and for two and one half hours searched No man's land under heavy machine gun fire for a N.C.O. who had been wounded on entering the enemy front line. His courage and example contributed largely to the success of the enterprise.</p>	<p><i>O.E. Poole</i></p>	<p><u>Military</u> <u>Cross.</u></p>	

*awarded  
M.C.  
C.O. 23.3.17*

*O.E. Poole*  
Lieutenant - Colonel.  
Commanding.  
15th. Battalion.  
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REGIMENT NO	UNIT	REG'T NO	RANK AND NAME	ACTION FOR WHICH COMMENDED	RECOMMENDED BY	RANK OR GRADE	REMARKS
	C.A.M.C. Attached to 15th. Battalion. 48th. Highlanders of Canada.		Captain. Robert McLeod Shaw.	<p>This Officer has been attached to the 15th. Battalion for 8 months. He has always shown a great disregard for his personal safety when it was necessary to go out and dress a wounded man. At the Somme when the shelling was of the most intense character this Officer took care of the wounded with the greatest coolness and undoubtedly saved many lives through his intrepidity at times when he personally was in the greatest danger. Captain Shaw has always been extremely steadfast in his devotion to his duty as a Medical Officer and at all times has shown the greatest keenness in keeping the men well.</p>			RECOMMENDATION  <i>W. S. Beach</i> Lieut-Col. Commanding. 15th. Battalion. 48th. Highlanders of Canada)

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	15th. Battalion. 48th. Highlanders of Canada.	47951.	Sergeant. Frederick, Arthur, Smith.	<p>During a Raid on the enemy trenches in the Calonne Section on March 2nd 1917. this N.C.O. was in charge of a party on the left flank. Though wounded in the leg while crossing No Man's Land, he continued to lead his men into the enemy trench. The example set to his men, half of whom had never been over the parapet previously had a far reaching effect.</p> <p>In addition to this he lead a bombing attack on a German Post which was putting up a stiff resistance, and carried on with his duties until fainting on being wounded a second time. His devotion to duty is particularly deserving of merit.</p>		Mention	

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*L. E. Burt*  
Lieutenant-Colonel.  
Commanding.  
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<p>h. Battalion, th. Highlanders f Canada.</p>	<p>437556.</p>	<p><u>Private.</u>  Frederick Thonber.</p>	<p>During a raid on the enemy trenches in the Calonne Section on March 2nd, 1917. this man carried out a reconnaissance of the enemy wire and trenches for three night previous to the raid, cutting gaps in the enemy wire, and locating the positions of three Machine Gun emplacements. In every case he spent eight hours in No mans Land on this work. On the night of the raid this man superintended the laying of white tapes in No Mans Land after which he commanded a patrol which remained outside the enemy front line until the party entered the enemy trenches. He then rejoined the raiders and remained with the party, bombing enemy dugouts and assisting in the killing of the garrison. On the withdrawal of the raiding party Private Thonber organised a patrol which patrolled No mans Land for wounded until day break. His gallantry and devotion to duty was most conspicuous throughout.</p>		<p>Military Medal.</p>	

*Approved M/M  
D.O. 2799/20.3.17*

*B. E. Bent*  
Lieut-Col.  
Commanding.  
15th. Battalion.  
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Date of Discharge (To be left blank)	Honour or Award	Name of Recipient	Reason for award	Rank and Name	Regt. No.	Unit	Remarks
		15th. Battalion. (48th. Highlanders of Canada) 38095. Private. Leslie George Todd.	Private Todd has done conspicuous service with the Battalion since arrival in France in February 1915, and for the past 21 months as a Battalion Runner has done faithful and valuable service. During all the engagements which the Battalion has taken part in Private Todd has on many occasions displayed courage and the most marked devotion to duty, and at all times he has been unflinching in carrying out his duties as a Runner. During our operations on the Somme he carried the greater portion of the messages from our advanced Headquarters to the Battalion Headquarters on the Sunken Road, making many trips through a most intense enemy barrage of artillery fire, and always displaying coolness and confidence in his work.				

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M.M.  
2822/30.3.17  
P.A.O.*

*W.C. Peart*  
Lieut-Col.  
Commanding.  
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<p>15th Battalion Highlanders of Canada. 193212.</p>		<p>Lance.Sergeant.  John. Thomas. Wright.</p>	<p>During a Raid on the enemy trenches in the Calonne Section on March 2nd. 1917. This N.C.O. was in charge of a party on the Left Flank. In crossing No Mans Land he was wounded in the shoulder but insisted on carrying out his duties. On entering the enemy trench he superintended the erection of a block in a communication trench at the same time bombing several occupied dugouts. He was the last one of his party to leave the enemy trench and for two and one half hours searched No Mans Land under heavy Machine Gunfire to look for wounded comrades whose return was at that time doubtful. He refused to have his wound dressed until he returned to our lines. His courage, endurance and devotion to duty was a magnificent inspiration to his men.</p>		<p>Military Medal.</p>	

*Approved M.M.  
R.R. 2799 / 20.3.17*

*C. E. Bout*  
Lieutenant-Colonel.  
Commanding 15th Battalion  
(40th. Highlanders of Canada)

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15th. Battalion. 15th. Highlanders of Canada.	404883.	<u>Lance/Corporal.</u>  Frederick Marchington.	During a Raid on the enemy trenches in the Calonne Section on March 2nd. 1917. this N.C.O. Commanded a Lewis Gun Crew in the raiding party. He lead his crew into the enemy trench, mounted his gun on the parapets and opened fire on a party of the retreating enemy, causing casualties to practically the entire party. At the same time strong enemy bombing attack was progressing on the right flank, and our men at this spot were in danger of suffering heavy casualties, and of being cut off. This N.C.O. immediately turned his gun on the enemy party and caused them to retire thus allowing our party to carry on unmolested. His timely action had a very material effect on the success of the enterprise, and before leaving the enemy trench collected all Lewis Gun magazines and brought them back.		Military Medal.	

*B. E. Post*  
 Lieutenant-Colonel.  
 Commanding.  
 15th. Battalion.  
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