AIR FORCE No. R.194186 POSTED TO #13. R.C. Montreal, P.Q. TRADE Aircrew R.C.A.F. Special Reserve

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

(ATTESTATION PAPER)

(Pages one and two, only, are to be completed in Applicant's own Handwriting)

1. Surname DONALDSON Full Christian Names MALCOLM FORREST
2. Present Address 724 Riverview Ave., Verdun, Montreal, Que. Telephone Yo. 8635
3. Permanent Address 724 Riverview Ave., Verdun, Montreal, Que.
4. Place of Birth Verdun, Montreal, Que. Citizenship Canadian
5. Date of Birth November 22nd, 1923. Married, Single, Widower, Separated, Divorced Single
6. Particulars of Children None

Name	Date of birth	Name	Date of birth
N.A.			

7. Occupation Apprentice Carman 8. Religion Protestant, U.C. (State denomination)
9. Languages English fluently, French slightly. (State proficiency)
10. Next of Kin (Full Name) Alexander Donaldson Relationship Father
    " Address 724 Riverview Ave., Verdun, Montreal, Que.
11. Father (Full Name) Alexander Donaldson Birthplace Montreal, Que.
    " Address 724 Riverview Ave., Verdun, Mtl., Que. Citizenship Canadian
    " Occupation Marine Mechanic. --
12. Mother (Full Maiden Name) Elizabeth Leaper Birthplace Lachine, Que.
    " Address 724 Riverview Ave., Verdun, Mtl., Que. Citizenship Canadian
13. Details of any Naval, Military or Air Force Service: None

Unit	Place	Rank	Trade	Date From	Date To	Reason for discharge
N.A.						

R.C.A.F. Records Ottawa Rec'd. OCT 9 1942 O.K. C.I.B. R.C. N.M. S.L. P.A.

14. Honours, Awards, Mentions None
15. Are you now on any Naval, Military or Air Force Reserve? No
16. Have you previously made application to join the R.C.A.F.? No If so, where? N.A.
    When? N.A. Result N.A.
17. Were you ever discharged from any branch of His Majesty's Forces as Medically Unfit? No
    If so, state nature of disability N.A.
18. Have you ever been or are you now in receipt of a Disability Pension? No
    If so, state nature of Disability N.A.
19. Have you ever been convicted of an indictable offence? No If so state nature N.A.
20. Are you in debt? No If so, state particulars N.A.

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150M—10-41 (993)
H.Q. 1062-3-83

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21. Particulars of Education:

—	Name of school	Date From	Date To	Courses—Subjects, etc.
Primary Education—Public or Separate School	Riverview School, Verdun, Que.	1929	1937	Primary 6th grade
High School—Collegiate Institute, etc.	Verdun High School, Verdun, Que.	1937	1942	10th grade.
Technical School				
University or School other than above				
Correspondence Courses, etc.				

22. Particulars of all Civil Occupations (in full):

Employer and place	Duties, trades, positions	Date From	Date To	Reason for leaving
C.N.R., Montreal, Que.	Apprentice carman	1942	1942	Cause of illness.

23. Flying Experience (in Hours) Solo None Dual None Passenger None

24. Special Qualifications, Hobbies, etc., useful to the R.C.A.F.

None

25. Sports engaged in. State: extensively, moderately, occasionally

All sports, extensively.

26. Air Force Duty you wish to enlist for ~~Ground Duties.~~ Flying Duties.

If for Ground Duties, state Air Force trade in which you wish to enlist Aircrew I.T.S.--W.E.T.P.
If for Flying Duties, state preference as (a) Pilot; (b) Observer; (c) Air Gunner (d) Wireless Operator (Air Crew).
(Cross out words not applicable.)

27. Names of persons who can give references as to character and ability.

Name	Address	Occupation
Mr. Watson 24-9-42	Verdun High School, Argyle Ave., Verdun, Que.	Teacher
Mr. Hutchison 24-9-42	26 Bruce Ave., Westmount, Que.	Teacher
Mr. Weatherbee	Verdun High School, Argyle Ave., Verdun, Que.	Principal
Mr. Law	" " " "	Physical Instructor

28. Other information that may have any bearing on this application

None

29. Do you understand that vaccination, re-vaccination and inoculation are compulsory? Yes.

I Hereby Certify that the foregoing information furnished by me is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date September 18th, 1942. Signature ~~Malcolm Forrest Donaldson~~ Forrest Donaldson

CFL.

NATIONAL REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE
PRODUCED. 25-9-42
82
1-1-9
Montreal Daily Star

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(A) *Report of Interviewing Officer—*

Type.....General appearance.....

Suitability for (state in what capacity).....

Date.....Signature.....Rank.....

(B) *Report of Trade Test (Not required for Standard (Tradesmen)—*

Trade in which tested.....

Result.....

Trade qualifications other than above likely to lead to efficient employment in the R.C.A.F.....

.....

Date.....Signature.....Rank.....

(C) **DECLARATION MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION**

I, Malcolm Forrest Donaldson .....do solemnly declare that the foregoing particulars are true, and I hereby engage to serve on active service anywhere in Canada, and also beyond Canada and overseas, in the Royal Canadian Air Force for the duration of the present war, and for the period of demobilization thereafter, and in any event for a period of not less than one year, provided His Majesty should so long require my services.

Date Sept. 25th. 1942 Forrest Donaldson
Signature of Recruit

(D) **OATH TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION**

I, Malcolm Forrest Donaldson .....do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty.

Date Sept. 25th. 1942 Forrest Donaldson
Signature of Recruit

(E) **CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER**

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answers to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided by law.

The above questions and answers 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, P.Q. this 25th. day of Sept. 1942

R. C. Marcellus
Signature of Officer — Rank — No. 13 R.C., Montreal.
Unit

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CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Part 1. Information obtained from the applicant—

1. Age. 18 2. Have you ever suffered from any of the following defects in health?

(a) Rheumatism no
(b) Tuberculosis no
(c) Bronchitis or Asthma no
(d) Heart Disease no
(e) Kidney or Bladder Disease no
(f) Gastro-intestinal no
(g) Rupture no
(h) Varicose Veins no
(i) Flat or Deformed Feet no
(j) Nasal Trouble NO
(k) Ear Disease NO
(l) Eye Disease no
(m) Epilepsy no
(n) Nervous or Mental Disease no
(o) Syphilis no
(p) Gonorrhoea no
(q) Bone Fracture no
(r) Other Disease or Defect yes.

3. Have you ever worn glasses? no

4. Have you had any illness for more than one week's duration, yes.

I certify that I have revealed my full medical history and have not withheld any relevant information.

Forrest Donaldson
Signature of Applicant

Examiner's Remarks *re* above

Scarlet Fever, Tonsils and Adenoids in childhood, Measles.

Part 2. Information obtained by Medical Examination (Applicant must be stripped)—

1. Identification marks or scars (if operative obtain history)

vacc. scar left arm.

2. Height 5 feet 8½ inches. 3. Weight 152 pounds.

4. Complexion Ruddy 5. Color of Eyes Hazel Hair Brown

6. Development {Good / Fair / Poor} 7. Chest Measurement—Full expiration 31½ inches

Range of expansion 3 inches

8. Hearing—Right WW 20 Left WV 20 Tympana—Right N Left N

9. Vision—Without glasses—Right 20/20 With glasses—Right n.a.

Left 20/20 Left n.a.

10. Condition of mouth and teeth few missing

11. Urine—Albumen negative Sugar negative

12. Abnormalities (Congenital and Pathological) found on Examination

negative.

28/9/42 RCK fit S.B.S

Part 3. The Candidate has been examined in accordance with the pamphlet, "Physical Standards and Instructions for the Medical Examination of Recruits" and he is considered fit for Category A1B4B

22-9-42 X-Ray. 145945- Neg. S.B.S.

Any special remarks of the Medical Officers

Fit

13. Reflexes N
14. Heart N
15. Lungs N
16. Blood Pressure S. D.
114 74
17. Colour Vision
N.Ish.

Date 21st September 19 42

W. Brady F/L — President
W. Jackson Flt/Lt — Member
Member

SBS

AIR FORCE NO. R.194186

SURNAME: DONALDSON, FULL CHRISTIAN NAMES: MALCOLM FORREST

ENLISTMENT PLACE Montreal Que DATE 25-9-42. RE-ENLISTMENT

C.R. FILE NUMBER

RECORD OF SERVICE AIRMEN

13

R.C.A.F. FORM R44 (S) (50M-12-41) (1346) Q. 1952-3-55

1. POSTING (INDICATE S.O.S. AND T.O.S.)

S.O.S. OR T.O.S.	UNIT AND PLACE	EFFECTIVE			D.R.O.
TOS	13 R/C Mtl	28	9	42	Mtl d/c 95
SOS	13 R.C. Montreal	11	10	42	Mtl d/c 103
TOS	5 "M" Depot L.	2	10	42	5 M.D. 244
SOS	#5 M.D. Lachine	2	12	42	5 M.D. 288
TOS	#13 R.C. Montreal Que	3	12	42	Mtl d/c 134
SOS	13 R/C Montreal Que	15	1	43	13 R/C 6
TOS	31 C. Montreal	16	1	43	31 C 12
SOS	31 C. Montreal.	4	3	43	31 C 48
TOS	5 M.D. Lachine, Que.	5	3	43	5 M.D. 51
SOS	5 M.D. Lachine	3	4	43	5 M.D. 80
TOS	AGGTS Quebec	4	4	43	AGTS 37
SOS	1 A.G.G.T.S. Quebec	15	5	43	1 G.P. 567
TOS	9 B & G S Mt Joli	16	5	43	9 B & G S 119
SOS	9 B & G mont Joli	9	7	43	9 B & G S 152 A.O.
TOS	1 Y.I.D. Halifax	10	7	43	1 Y.I.D. 171
SOS	1 Y.I.D. Lachine	13	7	43	1 Y.I.D. 179
	A/C/T. Trainee Pool				
	Missing	22	11	43	
	P/C W 23	23	11	43	
	Presumed Dead	22	11	43	D.L.R. 36
					A.H.Q. 4
	Stn Hosp				
					P.U.B.M. 36 C

2. RECLASS'NS-PROMOTIONS-ETC.

RANK	EFFECTIVE			D.R.O.
AC 2	25	9	42	Mtl d/c 95
AC 1	3	4	43	5 M.D. 80
LAC	15	5	43	1 G.P. 567
T/Sgt. p.d.	25	6	43	9 B & G 152 A.O.

3. MEDICAL HISTORY

EXAMINATIONS (IN RED INK)

DATE	FORM	CATEGORY	REMARKS

HOSPITALIZATION (IN BLACK INK)

HOSPITAL QUARTERS	ADMITTED CONFINED	DISCHARGE RET'N DUTY	D.R.O.
22-9-42	R 100	A 18	A 38.
Stn Hosp	21-5-43	24-5-43	9 B & G 124 A.O.

4. TRADE AND CHARACTER

TRADE	GROUP	EFFECTIVE			D.R.O.
Aircrew		25	9	42	Mtl d/c 95
A/C (U.I.T.S.) (W.E.P.)	S	2	12	42	5 M.D. 288
Air Gunner 2p	S	25	6	43	9 B & G 152 A.O.

TRADE PROFICIENCY	CHARACTER ASSESSMENT	DATE OF R41
Category A 4.		9 B & G 152 A.O.

5. COURSES-TESTS-ETC.

SUBJECT	RESULT	DATE	AUTHORITY

6. LEAVE

FROM	TO	DAYS	REMARKS	D.R.O.
26-9-42	11-10-42		L.M.O.	Mtl d/c 95
24-2-43	4-4-43.	11.	Granted.	5 M.D. 72
26-6-43	10-7-43	14	Embarkation	9 B & G 152 A.O.

6(A) RATIONS AND QUARTERS

UNIT	DATE COMMENCED	DATE DISCONTINUED	D.R.O.

R.194186 R

SURNAME: DONALDSON, FULL CHRISTIAN NAMES: MALCOLM FORREST

ENLISTMENT PLACE Montreal Que. DATE 25-9-42. RE-ENLISTMENT

C.R. FILE NUMBER

C.A.F. FORM R44 (B) 30M-12-41 (1346) H. Q. 1062-3-59

RECORD OF SERVICE AIRMEN

BIRTH: DATE 22-11-23 PLACE Verdun, Montreal CITIZENSHIP British 2

FATHER (FULL NAME) Alexander Donaldson

BIRTHPLACE Montreal.

MOTHER (FULL MAIDEN NAME) Elizabeth Leaper

BIRTHPLACE Leeds.

8. EDUCATIONAL STANDING

HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE X Que.

JUNIOR MATRICULATION 2 years. Grade IX

SENIOR MATRICULATION

TECHNICAL SCHOOL

UNIVERSITY

CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

2

9. CIVIL OCCUPATIONS OR EXPERIENCE USEFUL TO R.C.A.F.

Apprentice carman C.P.R. Montreal 1942.

Student

950

10. PREVIOUS ARMY, NAVY OR AIR FORCE SERVICE

— Nil —

0

11. HONOURS-AWARDS, MENTIONS

	AUTHORITY	DATE
Air Gunners Badge	9 BY/SDAO	25-6-43

12. FLYING EXPERIENCE ON ENLISTMENT (HOURS)

SOLO — DUAL — PASSENGER —

13. RELIGION

U.C.

2

14. LANGUAGES

English, French slightly

1

15. SPORTS

All sports (spt)

16. SINGLE-MARRIED-WIDOWER-SEPARATED-DIVORCED

Single

WIFE (FULL MAIDEN NAME)

PLACE OF MARRIAGE DATE

AUTHORITY (IF AFTER ENLISTMENT)

1

17. MARRIED ESTABLISHMENT

REMARKS	RANK	EFFECTIVE	D.R.O.

18. CHILDREN

CHRISTIAN NAMES	BIRTH DATE	D.R.O.	CHRISTIAN NAMES	BIRTH DATE	D.R.O.

19. NEXT OF KIN (ADDRESS AND D.R.O. IN PENCIL)

FULL NAME: Alexander Donaldson RELATIONSHIP Father.

ADDRESS: 24 Riverview Verdun Montreal D.R.O.

FULL NAME: RELATIONSHIP

ADDRESS: D.R.O.

20. PAY ENTRIES (OFFENCE FORFEITURES, STOPPAGES IN RED INK)

RATE CHANGES ETC.	EFFECTIVE	D.R.O.	RATE CHANGES ETC.	EFFECTIVE	D.R.O.
Enlisted as pay Sgt.	25 9 42	Mtl 1/C95			

21. ENGAGEMENTS

TERM	EFFECTIVE	D.R.O.	TERM	EFFECTIVE	D.R.O.
Duration	25 9 42				

22. TEMPORARY DUTY AND MISCELLANEOUS ENTRIES

FROM	TO	DATE	D.R.O.

22.(a) ADDRESS PRIOR TO ENLISTMENT

24 Riverview Ave.
Verdun Montreal Que.

22302

23. DOCUMENT CONTROL (INDICATE RECEIPT BY DATE)

R60	R79	B465	X-RAY	AFM-13	IDN CARD	
	9-10-42					

AIR FORCE No. R194186

DONALDSON — SURNAME

MALCOLM FORREST — FULL CHRISTIAN NAME

ENLISTMENT/APPOINTMENT — PLACE MONTREAL — DATE 25-9-42

RELIGION — R.C.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE
RECORD OF SERVICE
OFFICERS, AIRMEN AND AIRWOMEN

R.C.A.F. FORM R230
100M-3-43 (3137)
H.Q. 685-R-230

BIRTH DATE	PLACE	COUNTRY	CITIZENSHIP	RACIAL ORIGIN
22-11-23	VERDUN, QUE	CDN	CAN	CAN.

CIVIL EDUCATION

PUBLIC SCHOOL	JUNIOR MATRICULATION
HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE GR.10	SENIOR MATRICULATION
TECHNICAL SCHOOL	UNIVERSITY
CORR./BUSINESS COURSES	LANGUAGES SPOKEN

CIVIL OCCUPATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

Apprentice Carman

PREVIOUS SERVICE

Nil

PLACE AND DATE OF MEDICAL	CATEGORY	PLACE AND DATE OF MEDICAL	CATEGORY
25-9-42	A-1-3B.		

PARTICULARS OF FAMILY

SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWER, DIVORCED S.

WIFE (FULL MAIDEN NAME) OR HUSBAND

PRESENT ADDRESS (IN PENCIL)

PLACE OF MARRIAGE — DATE

AUTHORITY (IF AFTER APPOINTMENT/ENLISTMENT)

CHILDREN

NAMES	PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH	NAMES	PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH

NAME(S), ADDRESS(ES), RELATIONSHIP OF PERSON(S) TO BE INFORMED OF CASUALTIES (IN PENCIL)

Mr. Alexander Donaldson Father
724 Riverview Ave. Verdun, Quebec

EMPLOYMENT AS INSTRUCTOR OFFICER AIRMAN/AIRWOMAN:

TYPE	FROM	TO	TYPE	FROM	TO

OFFICERS

RANK, BRANCH AND CATEGORY	DATE	AUTH.	DUTIES PERFORMED DURING SERVICE, E.G. ADJ.

COURTS-MARTIAL ATTENDED WITH DATES
(STATE IF UNDER INSTRUCTION OR AS MEMBER)

AIRMEN AND AIRWOMEN

RANK	DATE	AUTH.	TRADE	DATE	AUTH.
T/SGT	25-6-43	DRO 152	A.4.	3 F 43	DRO 850

OFFICERS, AIRMEN/AIRWOMEN

COURSE OR TRADE	GRP	%	PF	DATE
A.9 Sp.	Sp		P	23-6-43

AIR FORCE No. Can. R. 194196

DONALDSON
SURNAME

MALCOLM FORREST.
FULL CHRISTIAN NAME

ENLISTMENT/APPOINTMENT
PLACE Montreal, Que.
DATE 25. 9. 42.

RELIGION
U.C.

R.C.A.F. FORM R230

TYPE OF LEAVE

FROM	TO	No. DAYS	DESCRIPTION	AUTH.
24.8.43	4.9.43	11	P.L.	24/67 4/9/43
9-11-43	15-11-43	7	Basic/L	126 dec 14/1/43

HONOURS, AWARDS AND MENTIONS

DATE	AWARD	AUTHORITY
25 6 43	A.F. Badge	DRO 152

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT ON WHICH MOST PROFICIENT

(IF UNDER INSTRUCTION STATE NUMBER OF HOURS ON EACH TYPE AND TESTS PASSED)

SERVICE MACHINES FLOWN

CHARACTER AND TRADE ASSESSMENT

DATE	CHARACTER	TRADE ASSESSMENT
25 6 43	Categorized	A. 9.

POSTINGS, ATTACHMENTS & TEMPORARY DUTY

SOS TOS	FROM	TO	DATE	AUTHORITY
SOS	JAGGETS	9 B&G	15 5 43	DRO 67
SOS	9 B&G	1 Y.P.	9 7 43	DRO 152
	No 1 Y Depot	RAF TP	15 7 43	" 181
	Embk. Canada.		16 7 43	3 PRC
	Disembk. U.K.		22 7 43	184/43
	Ont. C. 106 - 3 P.R.C.		23 7 43	3 PRC 196/43
SOS	3 PRC - 24 OTU		3 8 43	166 Hr 26/43
SOS	24 OTU D 1664 C 2		4 9 43	164 C 2 Sqdn 37/43
SOS	1664 C 2 D of 28 Sqdn		20 9 43	
	F/B MISSING FROM 428 Sqdn.		22 11 43	CR 401 AFRO 55/44
TOS	FROM 428 Sqdn (CONFD) (FBIT)		23 11 43	NELL HQ 3/43.
SOS	428 Sqdn TO Warboys Aceto Depot		22 11 43	428 Sqdn 57/43
	PRESUMED DEAD		22/11/43	CR 384 AFRO 231/44

ALL OTHER CASUALTIES

CASUALTY AND DATE	AUTHORITY

R.C.A.F. RECORD OF KIT

NAME Donaldson M. F. RANK A C 2

OFFICIAL NO. R- 194186 DATE OF ENLISTMENT

UNIT R.C.A.F. STATION No.5 M.D. R.C.A.F.

INSTRUCTIONS I T S

1. One copy of this form is to be prepared for officers and airmen issued with clothing and accoutrements. The initial issue is to be completed as far as available stock will permit.

2. It is to record all issues and exchanges, each issue or exchange being initialled by the individual against the item covered. Issues and exchanges are to be recorded in black or blue ink. Any items withdrawn are to be shown in ink with a reference to the R.V. number by which the items are brought to charge. In the case of discharge, items suitable for re-issue are to be brought to charge by C.R.V. and a notation made against those retained by the individual or not worth cost of cleaning for re-issue.

3. The applicable Ref. No. for sized articles of clothing is to be inserted on this form at time of issue.

4. On transfer this form is to be forwarded immediately and is to be retained by the Equipment Officer or Senior Service Officer at the new Unit.

5. The following size roll is to be completed at the time initial issues are made,—

ITEM	BOOTS, ANKLE	CAPS, F.S.	COATS, G.W.	JACKETS, K.D.	JACKETS, S.B.	
SIZE	9 E	6 7/8	4		18	
ITEM	SHIRTS, S.G.	TROUSERS, K.D.	TROUSERS, S.B.	BLOUSES, B.D.	TROUSERS, B.D.	
SIZE	15		23			

CERTIFICATES TO BE SIGNED ON TRANSFER

CERTIFIED THAT THE RECORD DETAILED OVERLEAF IS CORRECT			CERTIFIED THAT THE RECORD DETAILED OVERLEAF HAS BEEN VERIFIED		
On transfer to the undermentioned Unit	Date	Signature of Issuing Officer	On transfer from the undermentioned Unit	Date	Signature of Receiving Officer
			No.5 M.D. R.C.A.F.		

R.C.A.F. E. 147
75M—3-42 (1963)
H.Q. 1062-6-138

Ref. No.	Description of Articles	RECORD OF ISSUES AND EXCHANGES																	
		Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials
	(Sect. 21C)																		
328	FORKS, TABLE																		
395	KNIVES, TABLE																		
731	SPOONS																		
	(Sect. 22A)																		
	BUCKLES:—																		
5	BRASS																		
	BUTTONS:— R.C.A.F.:—																		
11	LARGE																		
12	SMALL																		
	(Sect. 22B)																		
436	BAGS, KIT, SMALL																		
437	BAGS, KIT, LARGE	1	15/10/42	[illegible]															
5	BRACES	1	"	[illegible]															
7	BRUSHES, BOOT, BLACKING																		
8	BRUSHES, BOOT, POLISHING	1	15/10/42	[illegible]															
9	BRUSHES, BUTTON	1	"	[illegible]															
12	BRUSHES, SHAVING	1	"	[illegible]															
13	BRUSHES, TOOTH	1	"	[illegible]															
16	CAPS, COMFORTER																		
	COLLARS, BROAD-CLOTH, S.G.																		
	COLLARS, COTTON, S.G.	4	15/10/42	[illegible]	2	24/10/42	[illegible]												
	COLLARS, FLANNEL, S.G.																		
	COMBINATION, S. UNDERWEAR																		
20	COMBS, HAIR	1	15/10/42	[illegible]															
21	CORDS, IDENTITY, DISC																		
	DISCS, IDENTITY:—																		
22	No. 1																		
23	No. 2																		
	DRAWERS, COTTON		24/10/42	[illegible]															
	DRAWERS, WINTER																		
	GLOVES, LEATHER, BLACK	1	15/10/42	[illegible]															
28	HOLDALLS	1	"	[illegible]															
29	HOUSEWIVES	1	"	[illegible]															
	JACKETS, SWEATER	1	"	[illegible]															
438	KITS, RAZOR	1	"	[illegible]															
[31	KNIVES, CLASP																		
33	LANYARD, CLASP KNIFE																		
34	PINS, COLLAR, SAFETY	1	15/10/42	[illegible]															
	SHIRTS, BROAD-CLOTH, S.G.																		
	SHIRTS, COTTON, S.G.	2	15/10/42	[illegible]	2	24/10/42	[illegible]												
	SHIRTS, FLANNEL, S.G.																		
	SHIRTS, KHAKI, COTTON																		
	SHIRTS, SERVICE (LONG SLEEVES)	2	15/10/42	[illegible]	2	24/10/42	[illegible]												
	SHIRTS, SERVICE (SHORT SLEEVES)																		
	SHIRTS, UNDER, COTTON																		
	SHIRTS, UNDER, SUMMER, KNIT	2	15/10/42	[illegible]															
	SHIRTS, WINTER	2	"	[illegible]															
	SHORTS, UNDER, SUMMER	2	"	[illegible]															
	SOCKS, LIGHT-WEIGHT, BLACK																		
209	SOCKS, WOOLLEN	3	15/10/42	[illegible]	2	24/10/42	[illegible]												
	STICKS, BUTTON	1	"	[illegible]															
46	TIES, BLACK	2	"	[illegible]															
47	TOWELS, HAND	2	"	[illegible]															
	(Sect. 22D)																		
	BOOTS, ANKLE, LEATHER	1	15/10/42	[illegible]															
	LACES, BOOT, BLACK	1	15/10/42	[illegible]															
	SHOES, CANVAS, LEATHER SOLED, REST																		
	SHOES, CANVAS, RUBBER SOLED, ANKLE PATTERN																		
	SHOES, CANVAS, RUBBER SOLED, GYMNASIA P.T.																		

No. 5 "T" Depot

You are warned not to sign for any article of clothing or equipment unless you receive it. If in doubt, ask to see the Officer in charge.

Equipment Officer

Read and understood W.T. Donaldson
(Signed)

Ref. No.	Description of Articles	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials
	(Sect. 22E)						
	JACKETS, KHAKI, DRILL, R.C.A.F.						
	TROUSERS, KHAKI DRILL						
	TROUSERS, SERVICE	2	26/11/42	WTD			
	(Sect. 22F)						
	CAPS, FIELD, SERVICE, O.R.	1	15/10/42	WTD			
	CAPS, WINTER, CLOTH PATT.	1	"	WTD			
	COATS, GREAT, WARM	1	"	WTD			
	JACKETS, SERGE, BLUE	1	"	WTD			
	TROUSERS, SERGE, BLUE	1	"	WTD			
	(Sect. 22G)						
	COATS, WATER-PROOF RUBBER	1	15/10/42	WTD			
	MITTS, WINTER	1	15/10/42	WTD			
	OVERALLS, COMBINATION						
	OVERSHOES	1	15/10/42	WTD			
	RUBBERS, BLACK						
	(Sect. 22H)						
46	ARMLETS, WHITE						
	BADGES:—						
78	AIR GUNNERS						
	ARM, BLUE:—						
6	CROWNS						
10	PROPELLERS						
12	WIRELESS OPERATOR						
	ARM, DRAB:—						
	CROWNS:—						
14	JACKETS						
15	SHIRTS SERVICE						
19	PROPELLERS						
21	WIRELESS OPERATOR						
22	CAP, R.C.A.F.	1	15/10/42	WTD			
54	COLLAR MEDICAL						
26	FLYING, PILOTS R.C.A.F.						
27	OBSERVERS						
79	SERVICE, R.C.A.F.						
45	PEAKS, CAP, WHITE, F.S.						
	CHEVRONS:—						
	BLUE:—						
29	2 BAR						
30	3 BAR						
	DRAB:—						
	2 BAR:—						
31	JACKETS						
32	SHIRTS SERVICE						
	3 BAR:—						
33	JACKETS						
34	SHIRTS SERVICE						
	(Sect. 23)						
	ACCOUTREMENTS, SETS:—						
	1925 PATTERN:—						
32	CORPORALS AND BELOW						
33	SERGEANTS AND ABOVE						
	1937 PATTERN:—						
42	CORPORALS AND BELOW						
43	SERGTS, F/S. AND W.O.II'S						
44	OFFICERS AND W.O.I'S						

Ref. No.	Description of Articles	RECORD OF ISSUES AND EXCHANGES																	
		Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials	Quantity	Date Issued	Initials
	(Sect. 23)																		
39	HELMETS, STEEL, MK. I																		
	(Sect 23A)																		
53	OINTMENT, ANTI-GAS																		
65	RESPIRATOR, ANTI-GAS, GENERAL SERVICE																		
	(Sect. 23B)																		
	CLOTHING, ANTI-GAS:—																		
1	CAPES																		
24	CURTAINS, STEEL HELMET																		
3	EYESHIELDS, PLAIN																		
12	EYESHIELDS, TINTED																		
	Flying Clothing and Specialist Issues																		
	(Sect. 22C)																		
	BATTLEDRESS:— AIRCREW:—																		
	BLOUSES																		
	TROUSERS																		
	BOOTS, AVIATION, WINTER, N.P.																		
	GAUNTLETS, CHAUFFEURS, R.C.A.F.																		
	GLOVES, GAUNTLET																		
	GLOVES, SILK																		
379	GOGGLES, AVIATION MASK MK. III CL*																		
	HELMETS, FLYING, TYPE B:—																		
	Consisting of:— CAPS, FLYING																		
418	COVERS, EAR																		
419	PADS, RUBBER																		
	SUITS, AVIATION, SUMMER																		
	SUITS, AVIATION, WINTER, N.P.																		
	21-E	(3)	7/10/42																
9	BLANKETS, G.S.	2																	

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TRAINING REPORT AIR GUNNERS

No. 1 A.G.G.S. & No. 9 B&G

1. Surname DONALDSON Christian Names Malcolm Forest

2. Number R194186 Rank LAC Course No. 54

3. Posted from #5 "M" Depot, Lachine, P.Q. Posted to No. 1 "Y" Depot Halifax, N.S. Duration of Course From Apr.5,1943 To June 25,1943.

4. Aircrew Category A3B (T) Height 68 Girth 31 3

5.

EQUIPMENT USED				
Type Aircraft	Type Guns		Type Turrets	
Battle	In Air	Ground	In Air	Ground
Battle	V.G.O.	V.G.O. Browning	Bristol	Bristol F.N. B.P.

6. STAGE 1

7. STAGE 2

	Marks Poss	Marks Obtd.
Armament Oral	100	50
Armament Written	300	150
Anti Gas	100	55
A C Recognition	100	50
Mathematics	50	49
Navigation	100	63
Law, Admin. Hygiene, etc.	100	78
Signals	100	98
TOTAL	950	593

AIR & GROUND TRAINING		
	Day	Night
Flying Time	17:50	
Films Exposed	2	
Hrs. Turret Manip	14:40	
Skeet Rounds	210	
25 Yd. Range	1060	100
200 Yd. Range	1000	
Air to Ground	400	
Air to Air	3700	
% Hits A to A	2.4	

ASSESSMENT		
Subject	Marks Poss	Marks Obtd
Written	150	100
Practical and Oral	100	69
A C Rec.	100	78
Drill	100	71
Signals	100	50
Ability as Firer	100	69
TOTAL	650	437
Total Trng. Marks	1600	1030
Percentage		64.4
Personal Assessment	800	373
GRAND TOTAL	2400	1403

8. No. in class 92 Position in class 91 Pass

9. Recommended for commissioned rank No

10. Experience in arming, loading and harmonizing turrets. 2.35 HOURS

R.C.A.F. Records Office
Rec'd. JUL 27 1943
O.K. ..... C.I.B. .....
R.G. JB N.I. .....
S.L. JB P.A. .....

Suitability for Further training As a Gunnery Instructor.	1. Not at all Suitable	2. Moderately Suitable	3. Definitely Suitable	4. Extremely Suitable.
	X			

12. Remarks: Had some difficulty with course but tried hard.

Date: 25th June, 1943

(A.J.M. Chadwick) S.L.
Chief Instructor

Date: 25th June, 1943

(G.O. Godson) W.C.
Commanding Officer

Airman's Statement at Embarkation

1. Number R.194186 ...Rank Sgt. ...Name DONALDSON ... MALCOLM ... FORREST
   Surname — Christian Names

2. Name and address of person to be notified in case of casualty.....
   MR. ALEX ... DONALDSON ... 724 RIVERVIEW AVE. ...
   VERDUN, ... QUEBEC ... Relationship, if any ... FATHER ...

3. Alternative or second name of person & address to be notified in case of casualty...
   MRS. ELIZABETH ... DONALDSON ... 724 RIVERVIEW AVE,
   VERDUN, ... QUEBEC .....

4. Legal next of kin(wife, if married, father if unmarried, mother if father deceased).
   DONALDSON ... MATHEW ... ALEXANDER ...
   Surname — Christian Names

5. Are you single, married, widower, divorced, separated? ... SINGLE ...

   Full Christian & surname of wife.....

   Address.....

6. If married, have you completed a will since marriage? ... If so, state location....
   .....

7. Have you completed necessary documentation for dependent's allowance.....

8. Are your parents living? Father. YES ... Mother ... YES .....

9. Full Christian & surname of parents (if living)

   Father ... Mathew ... Alexander ... Donaldson .....

   Address ... 724 ... Riverview ... Ave., ... Verdun, ... Que. .....

   Mother ... Elizabeth ... Donaldson .....

   Address ... 724 ... Riverview ... Ave., ... Verdun, ... Que. ....

10. Your own permanent home address. 724 Riverview Ave., ... Verdun, ... Que. ...

11. Religious Denomination ... United ... Church ... (Protestant) ...

12. Have you Identification Discs? ... Yes .....

Airman's usual signature. M. Donaldson

Date ... 11/7/43 .....

R.C.A.F. Records Office
Rec'd JUL 19 1943
O. K. ... C.I.B. ...
R. C. ... N. I. ...
S. L. ... T. & ... L6

R.C.A.F. Special Reserve

Applicant for AIRCREW (X) or for GROUND DUTY ( ) Date September 24th, 1942.

PERSONAL RECORD

1. NAME: DONALDSON, Malcolm Forrest 2. NUMBER R.194186
(Surname and Christian names in Block Letters)

3. EDUCATION: Highest standing attained, Province and course (e.g.XII, Ont.Tech.)
Gr. XXXX IX, (Que.,)
(Dates of last school attended) From 1937 To 1942.

4. TESTS: (a) C.T. 42 (Form 4) (b) E.A.T.....(Form.....) (c) C.A.T.....
(d) M.A.T.....(e) Cl. A.T.....
(f) Compensating Factors (if any).....
.....
(g) Suitable for AIRCREW (X) or GROUND DUTIES ( ) (State Trade) W.S.

DATE 18-9-1942. Signature D. Rattray F/O.

5. CIVIL EXPERIENCE: (In chronological order by years, without intervals)

Employer, Business & Place	Details of Duties	From	To
C.N.R., Montreal, Que.,	Apprentice Carman	~~1942~~ 1942	

6. Details of Service or Similar Training: (e.g. military, auxiliary, COTC, cadets, etc.)
.....

7. HOBBIES & SPORTS: (a) In school years All sports
(b) In civil life All sports

8. OTHER QUALIFICATIONS: (e.g. Languages, First Aid, Knowledge of Typing, Mechanics, etc.)
None.

DATE.....

9. AGE 16. Height 5.8½ Weight 152.
Visual Acuity 20/20--20/20 Colour Vision N. Ish: Medical Category A1BA3B.
(Mark X as a pplicable).

M.O.'S ASSESSMENT:

Fit all Aircrew	(X)
Fit Pilot	( )
Fit Air Obs.,Nav., WO (AG)	( )
Fit Air Bomber, Air Gunner	( )
Fit Ground Duties only	( )
M.2 Exam not given (state reason)	( )

R.C.A.F. Records Office
Rec'd OCT 9 1942
O.K. C.I.B.
R.C. N.I.

DATE Sept., 21st, 1942. Signature G. Mackson.

10. INTERVIEWING OFFICER'S ASSESSMENT: 10th grade. Good type of youth. Non smoker. A bit shy, good athletic. Fair in maths, elementary, Dark. Strong average intelligence. Quick enought in responses. Co-operative & courteous. Parents agree.

RECOMMENDED FOR..... Signature P. Chevalier F/L. Date 18-9-1942.

This space for use of Selection Board at "M" Depot
SELECTED FOR.....
Signature.....
No. "M" Depot Selection Board.

Signature.....
Commanding Officer
#13 Recruiting Centre
R.C.A.F.
.....

Note: Information called for on the reverse side of this form is also to be provided when submitting applications under Manning Order M.10/25 AFM.53 d/17-9-42.

R.C.A.F. Special Reserve

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

APPENDIX "A"
M.10/28

AGREEMENT

Personnel Posted on Leave Without Pay
Aircrew, Radio Mechanics (U.T.) and Airwomen.

I, the undersigned, do acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree to the following conditions of service upon being accepted for enlistment in the Royal Canadian Air Force and granted leave of absence until such date as my period of duty becomes effective:

(a) That during the period of such leave, I will not be entitled to, nor will I receive any Pay or Allowances or Medical Services from the Royal Canadian Air Force.

(b) That if during the period of such leave I should sustain any injury or suffer any illness resulting in my becoming physically or mentally unfit, I will not be entitled to be paid any disability pension by the Crown by reason of such injury or illness.

(c) That until I report after the period of such leave I will not be entitled to any issue of uniform or equipment.

(d) That during the period of such leave I will not be entitled to wear any R.C.A.F. uniform or equipment.

(e) That from the date of my enlistment and during such period of leave, I will be subject to Air Force Law and Discipline.

(f) That if I marry during the period of my leave, dependents' allowance will not be payable until my completion of six months' service for which pay is admissable, or upon the completion of my R.C.A.F. training, whichever is the longer; (NOTE: THIS CLAUSE NOT APPLICABLE TO AIRWOMEN).

G Kennedy s/AC (Witness)

Forrest Donaldson (Signature of Recruit)

Montreal, P.Q. (Place)

Sept. 25th., 1942. (Date)

R.C.A.F. Records Office
Rec'd OCT 9 1942
O.K. ..... C.I.B.
LEAVE OR PASS FORM
S.L. ..... P.A.

Date. Sept. 25th. 1942.

No. R.194186 Rank. AC.2 Name. Donaldson, Malcolm Forrest

was enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force on the 25th. day of Sept. 1942 and has been granted leave of absence without pay from the 26th. day of Sept. 1942, until the 11th. day of October 1942, inclusive, and ordered to report to the R.C.A.F. Recruiting Centre at Montreal Que., on the day following the expiration of leave, beginning the journey to the Recruiting Centre on that day or as soon thereafter as transportation facilities permit (but in no instance before midnight on the last day of leave). (NOTE: If, contrary to these instructions, the journey is begun prior to the hour and day stipulated it will be entirely at the recruit's own risk in the event of injury, loss or damage, and pay and allowance will not begin until the day following the expiration of leave).

A.F.M. 23 (a)
22-4-42.

(Signature of Attesting Officer)

R194186

R.194186

Note:- The original of this report is to be stapled to the Form A.F.M. 53 for the R.1 of the Airman concerned.

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ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

REPORT OF FAILURES OR CESSATION OF TRAINING

W.E.T.P. PRE-AIRCREW EDUCATION COURSE

DONALDSON (Surname) M.F. (Given Name) A.C.2 (Rank) R.195186 (Air Force Number)

Posted from No. 5 Manning Depot LACHINE, P. Q. Date December 3rd., 1943

C.T. 42 EAT 25 L.S.G. IX AGE 19

YEARS OUT OF SCHOOL 1

POSTED TO No. 5 Manning Depot. RCAF. LACHINE, P. Q. DATE March 4th., 1943

MARKS

	TESTS	EXAM	Term TESTS	EXAM	TESTS	Final EXAM
English						80
Physics	22	23				35
Mathematics	58 72 70 38	60	80	49	45	52
AVERAGE						

REMARKS:- FOUND WORK DIFFICULT, LITTLE INITIATIVE. DID NOT WORK

ADMITS DOING VERY LITTLE HOMEWORK. ATTITUDE INDIFFERENT

CONDUCT SATISFACTORY.

Date March 3rd., 1943

S. M. McThompson Lt.

R.C.A.F. Examining Officer

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ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

R.C.A.F. R. 48
9650—12-41 (1670)
H.Q. 1062-3-136

Individual Record of Flying

RANK Sgt NO. R194186 NAME DONALDSON, Malcolm Forrest

UNIT	PERIOD ENDING	SERIAL NO.	SINGLE-ENGINE AIRCRAFT						MULTI-ENGINE AIRCRAFT						CREW DUTIES			PASSENGER	TOTAL
			DAY			NIGHT			DAY			NIGHT							
			1ST PILOT	2ND PILOT	DUAL	1ST PILOT	2ND PILOT	DUAL	1ST PILOT	2ND PILOT	DUAL	1ST PILOT	2ND PILOT	DUAL	OBSERVER	AIR GUNNER	OTHER		
			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(J)	- (K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)
			Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins	Hrs Mins
#9 B&G School, Mont Joli, P.Q. June 25th, 1943.																1750			1750

A/Sqn Ldr
for C.O., No. 9 B & G School, R.C.A.F.

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s regarding this form are contained in Chapter XIII, A.P. 1301 (War Manual Part II). **R.A.F. Form 1580.**

M/22.11.43 CR 401.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

AIRMAN'S/AIRWOMAN'S RECORD SHEET (Active Service).

Official [redacted] CAN.R.194186 Name DONALDSON, Malcolm Forrest. Rank T/SGT
(In full in block capitals, surname first). (Or acting appointment).

R.A.F. Trade AIR GUNNER gp.2 Special Qualifications
(e.g., Gas Instructor, Fire Fighter, Boxing Instructor).

Date of Birth 22.11.23 Religion U.C. Occupation in Civil Life Appr. Carman 1942

Last Enlisted 25.9.42 Current Engagement D OF W

If a member of the Auxiliary Air Force

If Reservist, which Class (" E," " F," V.R.) SR Whether Married, Single or Widower S

Name, address and relationship of legal next of kin (to be entered in pencil) :
Father.
Mr. A. Donaldson 424, Riverview Ave. Verdun. Montreal. Quebec.

Name, address and relationship of person (or persons) to be informed of casualties (to be entered in pencil).
(If this person is the legal next of kin, it is only necessary to insert here " Next of Kin.")
N of K.

Any alteration to above (e.g., Promotions) to be made by crossing out and writing above.

Section I.—Movements and Casualties.

Unit FROM which.	Unit TO which.	Date of Effect.
9 B. & G.	No.1 Y Depot	9.7.43
No.1 Y Depot	RAF. TP.	15.7.43
	Emb. Canada	16.7.43
	Dis. U.K.	22.7.43
Int.C.106	No.3 PRC	23.7.43
No.3 PRC	24 OTU	3.8.43
24 O.T.U.	1664 C.U.	4.9.43
1664 C.U.	428 Sqn.	30.9.43
~~428 Sqdn.~~	Wireless Instr. Unit T.O.S.	22.11.43
428 Sqdn.	RCAF UK. NE4.	22.11.43.
SOS RCAF UK NE4.	Pres. Dead	22.11.43.

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Section 2.—Promotions, Acting Appointments (Paid or Unpaid), Reductions, Remusterings.

* Authority.	Description.	Date of Effect.
	Aircrew Std. AC.2	25.9.42
	Air Gunner Std. "	3.4.43
	" " " LAC	15.5.43
	" " Sp. T/SGT	25.6.43
	AIR GUNNER gp.2 "	25.6.43

Section 3.—Good Conduct Badges.

* Authority.	1st, 2nd, 3rd.	Awarded, Deprived, Restored.	Date of Effect.

* The authority to be quoted will be the serial number of the relevant P.O.R.

(*11902—10349) Wt. 54527—5881 50M 4/43 T.S. 700

Section 4.—Character and Trade Proficiency.

(To be assessed on every occasion on which an airman or airwoman is struck off the strength of a unit, e.g., on posting, admission to hospital when posted to N.E. strength; death; etc.; also on 31st December each year.)

Rank.	Character.	Trade Classification.	Proficiency. A	Proficiency. B	Proficiency. C	Whether specially recommended, recommended, or not recommended for promotion or reclassification.	Date.	Signature and Rank of Con[illegible]ding Officer.
Sgt	V-G.	Air Gunner	ON STRENGTH FOR TRAINING ONLY.				4.9.43	[signature] F/Lt
Sgt	VG	A/G	ON STRENGTH FOR TRAINING ONLY				30.9.43	[signature] F/Lt
Sgt.	VG	A/G	Sat	Sat		Reccom	2.12.43	[signature]

P.O.R. 49 /43 7 days Priv. leave from 9.11.43 to 15.11.43 RW 535289 [signature] F/Lt Adjt. for O.C. 428 Squadron.

1664 P.O.R. 47 /43 11 days Priv. leave from 24.8.43 to 4.9.43 RWI [signature] F/Lt Adjt. for O.C. 428 Squadron.

Record of Leave and Issue of Free Travelling Warrants

First entry to be made at bottom of above section; subsequent entries to be made directly above in sequence.

Section 5.—Results of Courses of Instruction, Recommendations for Aircrew Duties, Recommendations for Commissioned Rank (K.R. 2132, (19) (A)). Decorations, Mentions, Special Commendations by A.Os.C., etc.

Authority.	Nature.	Date of Effect.
	Awarded Air Gunner's Badge	25.6.43

AIRCREW [redacted]

R.C.A.F. Special Reserve

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

RECORD OF SERVICE AIRMEN

[redacted]796 A.F. No. | DONALDSON Surname | MALCOLM FORREST Christian Names | U.C. Religion

Born 22/11/23 Place VERDUN. QUE. Country CANADA Citizen of CANADA Racial Origin CANADIAN

PARTICULARS OF FAMILY M. S. D. W.

Wife's Maiden Name — Present Address (in pencil)

Children Names	Place of Birth	Date	Children Names	Place of Birth	Date

NAME(S) ADDRESS AND RELATIONSHIP OF PERSONS TO BE INFORMED OF CASUALTIES (in pencil)

Mr. Alexander Donaldson (Father)
74 Rivermead Ave. Verdun
Montreal. Que.

CIVIL EDUCATION			CIVIL OCCUPATIONS AND EXPERIENCE
High School Entrance GR. 10	Jr. Mat.	Sr. Mat.	APPRENTICE CARMAN
Technical School	Business Courses		1942.
University			

PREVIOUS SERVICE	ENLISTMENT	Med. Cat.	Date	Med. Cat.	Date
N.A.	Date 25/9/42	A1B A3B	25 9 42		
	At MONTREAL. QUE.				
	Term DURATION.				

RANK	Auth.	Date	TRADE	Auth.	Date	TRADE TESTS AND COURSES	GP	%	P or F	Date
AC.2		25 9 42	AIRCREW [redacted]		25 9 42					
LAC	DRO67	15 5 43.				AIRCREW [redacted]	S		P.	24 9 42
T/Sgt (Pd)	DRO152	25 6 43	AIRCREW. I.T.S. WETP. DRO88/42		2 12 42	AIRCREW WETP — FAILED				
			AIRCREW AG DRO90/43		3 4 43	Air Gunners "Sp Yy"			P	25 6 43

LEAVE From	To	Auth. and Description	CHARACTER AND TRADE ASSM. HONOURS, AWARDS AND MENTIONS Date	Character	Trade and Assm.	Honours and Awards	Auth.
25/X/42			25 6 43		Air Gunners' Badge		DRO 152
26-9-42	11-10-42	OLWP	25 6 43	Categorized AG			DRO 152
24-3-43	4-4-43 (11)	DAPS Sig. M7219 (6N).					
26-6-43	10-7-43 (14 days)	Embarkation DRO 152					
Issued SLTW #C3797/17d/24-6-43 DRO 152							

R.C.A.F. R.44C
20M—1-42 (1526)
H.Q. 1062-3-58

(OVER)

MOVEMENTS AND CASUALTIES

AUTHORITY	UNIT FROM	UNIT TO	DATE	AUTHORITY	UNIT FROM	UNIT TO	DATE
M.O.R. 13	#13 R. Centre.	~~#5 "A" Depot~~ #13 R/C Mtl	25/9/42				
	Montreal	~~Lachine~~					
M.O.R. 13	#13 R.C. MH	#5 Lachine -	12-10-42				
D.R.O. 244/42	T.O.S.	#5 M.D. Lachine	12-10-42				
DRO. 288/42	S.M.O.	13 R. Centre	2-12-42				
DRO 6	No 13 RC	No 3 TC HQ	SOS				
	Montreal	Adm. Unit	15-1-43				
DRO 48/43	No 3 TC HQ	No 5 M.D.	SOS				
	Mtl	Lachine	4-3-43				
DRO 55/43	T.O.S. No 5	S.M.O.	5/3/43				
DRO 80/43	No 5 MD.	No 1 HQ & TS	3/4/43				
DRO 67 SOS	& 1 HQ & TS	#9 Bd G.	10-3-43				
DRO 121/43	Ext to Last Flying Day		16-3-43				
D.RO 127/43	Admitted Sta	Hospital	21-3-43				
D.RO 126/43	Disch Sta	Hosp	24-3-43				
DRO 152	#9 B & G	#1 Depot	9-7-43				

THE CANADIAN PENSION COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM

To.....Pension Medical Examiner,..MONTREAL.....

From.....Head Office.....

.....Ottawa, Oct. 21st, 1944.

R-194186 SGT. DONALDSON, Malcolm F. P. & N. H. 481-M

The Department of National Defence, Air Service, who previously officially reports that the marginally named ~~was~~/reported - "Missing" 22-NOV-43 after air operations now "Presumed dead" 22-NOV-43 for official purposes,

~~on one~~ on service Overseas.

His next of kin is reported as - Father - Mr. Alexander Donaldson, 724 Riverview Ave., Verdun, P.Q.

The Addressograph Stencil shows payment of Assigned Pay of

$ 25.00 a month to - Mrs. Elizabeth Donaldson, 724 Riverview Ave., Verdun, P.Q. (Relationship not stated.)

As no D.A. was payable the Commission will not take any action unless a claim is filed.

/AS

E. Clewes,
for
Canadian Pension Commission.

C.P.C. - C.N. 2 15M-8-43 Req. 741

R.C.A.F. MESSAGE

No. of Groups 17

FILE

OFFICE DATE STAMP & SERIAL NUMBER

TO MR ALEXANDER DONALDSON 724 RIVERVIEW AVE VERDUN QUEBEC

(REPORT DELIVERY)

FROM RCAF CASUALTIES OFFICER

ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER	DATE	REFERENCE AND DATE
M 9967	27 Nov.	MY YOUR 15-16

(Use Double Space Typing)

M 9965-
M 9464

XX REGRET TO ADVISE THAT YOUR SON R ONE NINE F UR ONE EIGHT SIX SERGEANT MALCOLM FORREST DONALDSON IS REPORTED MISSING AFTER AIR OPERATIONS OVERSEAS NOVEMBER TWENTY SECOND STOP LETTER FOLLOWS

NR 16-24/11/43

Dnc

United Church

This message must be sent and may #	AS WRITTEN be sent by W/T.	ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS - DEGREE OF PRIORITY	TIME OF ORIGIN 0035 GMT
	R04	IMMEDIATE	T. O. R.

SIGNATURE

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	T. H. I.
				11	0115							

Originator is to insert "NOT" if message is not to go by W/T over any part of the route.

R. C. A. F. S. 11
300M Sets-2-43 (3077)
H.Q. 885-S-13

CENTRAL REGISTRY FILE COPY

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FROM8402 R.C.A.F. D WING

TO AIR MINISTRY KINGSWAY

D.A. 133 19th OCT S E C R E T

REFERENCE YOUR PC 3718 OCT 5 . EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH INDICATES THAT ONE PLANE ONLY CRASHED IN 1943 AT OR NEAR KLEIN BIRSSEN. THIS WAS AT 2155 HOURS 22 NOVEMBER 1943 AT MAP REF V 8264 . INVESTIGATION GERMAN RECORDS GIVES CREW NAMES FOR THIS PLANE AS MITTLETON SMITH PHILLIPS BROWEN SYKEE. 6TH MAN UNIDENTIFIED . 7THE MEMBER OF CREW BADLY INJURED AND TAKEN TO HOSPITAL LINGEN 23 NOVEMBER ALSO UNIDENTIFIED. CONFIRM ACCURACY OF NAMES YOUR PC. 3718. FUTHER INVESTIGATION IN PROGRESS.

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No. 4283/S.4/64/Air

No. 428 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron,
R.C.A.F. Overseas.

23rd November, 1943.

Dear Mr. Donaldson,

You will already have received word that your son, Sergeant M.F. Donaldson, has been reported missing from air operations. You will, I am sure, wish to know any details that are available. There are very few, I am afraid, and even these I must ask you to treat as confidential.

Your son took part in the raid on Berlin on the night of 22nd November, 1943. Unfortunately, nothing further has been heard from him or from any member of the crew since they took off. This was only your son's third operation, but already he was quite skilled.

There is always the possibility that he may be a prisoner of war, in which case you will hear from him either direct or through the Air Ministry, who will receive advice from the International Red Cross Society. I share your hopes that this may, in fact, be the case.

Your son's belongings have been gathered together and are being forwarded to the Standing Committee of Adjustment at R.A.F. Central Depository, Colnbrook, Slough, Buckinghamshire, who at a later date will forward them to you through the Administrator of Estates Department of National Defence, 308 Sparkes Street, Ottawa, Ontario. Meanwhile, if there is any additional information you require concerning the estate you may address your inquiry to the Officer in charge of Estates, R.C.A.F. Overseas Headquarters, 20 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London W.C.2.

May I offer you my own deep sympathy and that of all members of the Squadron in your great anxiety. Your son had not been with us very long, but was already showing signs of becoming a valuable member of the Squadron. I know we shall miss him, and all are hoping for better news of him soon.

Yours sincerely,

David J. French W/C

Mr. A. Donaldson,
724, Riverview Avenue,
Verdun,
Montreal, P.Q.

FORM 6

DOMINION BUREAU OF STATISTICS—QUEBEC DEATH TRANSCRIPT

Do not write in this space

1. PLACE OF DEATH

Municipal county: OVERSEAS (GERMANY)

Official name of civil municipality or township:

Place an X over the word which applies to this municipality or this territory: City | Town | Village | Parish | Township

Street: No.

Hospital or Institution:

2. LENGTH OF STAY

(a) In hospital or institution	Years	Months	Days	(b) In municipality where death occurred	Years	Months	Days	(c) In Province	Years	Months	Days	(d) In Canada (if immigrant)	Years	Months	Days

3. NAME OF DECEASED

Surname: DONALDSON (Block letters)

Given names: MALCOLM FORREST

4. RESIDENCE

Street: Riverview Ave. No. 724

Official name of civil municipality or township: Verdun, Montreal

Municipal county: Province: Quebec

5. SEX	6. NATIONALITY (Citizenship)	7. RACIAL ORIGIN	8. Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced (Write the word)
Male	Canadian		Single

9. If married give name of wife or husband of deceased:

10. BIRTHPLACE (Province or Country): Quebec

11. DATE OF BIRTH: November (Month) 22nd (Day) 1923 (Year)

12. AGE OF DECEASED	Years	Months	Days	If less than one day old
	20			hrs. or min.

OCCUPATION

13. Trade, profession or kind of work, as **spinner, teamster, office clerk,** etc.: Air Gunner

14. Kind of industry or business, as **cotton-mill, lumbering, bank,** etc.: R.C.A.F.

15. Date deceased last worked at this occupation: Nov.22/43

16. Total years spent in this occupation: One

17. NAME	18. BIRTHPLACE (Province or Country)
FATHER: Donaldson, Alexander	Quebec
MOTHER (Maiden Name): Lesper, Elizabeth	Quebec

19. Place of burial, cremation or removal:

20. Date of burial: 19

21. PLACE OF REGISTRATION OF THIS BURIAL

(a) Name of parish or church:

(b) Civil municipality of:

(c) Municipal county:

(d) Date: (Month) (Day) 19 (Year)

Do not write in this space

CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

22. Date of death: November (Month) 22nd (Day) 19 43 (Year)

23. I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended deceased from 19 to 19

and last saw h alive on 19

24. CAUSE OF DEATH

I Immediate cause Give disease, injury or complication which caused death, **not** the mode of dying, such as heart failure, asphyxia, asthenia, etc.

(a) Previously reported missing after air operations, now for official purposes, presumed dead.

due to

Morbid conditions, if any, giving rise to immediate cause (stated in order proceeding backwards from immediate cause).

(b)

due to

(c)

II Other morbid conditions (if important) contributing to death but **not causally related to immediate cause.**

III If a communicable disease is mentioned on this certificate, give (a) Date of appearance 19

(b) Duration of disease days

25. If a woman, was there a puerperal condition?

26. Was there a surgical operation? Date of 19

State findings: Was there an autopsy?

27. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following:—

Accident, suicide or homicide (State which): Accident Date: Nov.22nd 19 43

Manner of injury: Presumed killed during air operations (How sustained)

Nature of injury:

Specify whether injury occurred in **industry, in home, or in public place**: public place

Signed M.D.

Address Date 19

28. Signature of person who fills in the form (curate, coroner, hospital authority, etc.)

For (R.C.A.F. Records Officer)

This signature authorizes the collector to accept this form as authentic.

29. Name of clergyman in charge of Register of Civil Status in which registration of this burial was made.

(Voir l'autre côté pour le français)

FORMULE 6

BUREAU FÉDÉRAL DE LA STATISTIQUE—COPIE DU BULLETIN DE DÉCÈS—QUÉBEC

N'écrivez pas dans cet espace

1. LIEU DU DÉCÈS — Comté municipal | Nom officiel de la municipalité civile ou du canton | *Apposer un X sur le mot qui s'applique à cette municipalité ou ce territoire* — *Cité | Ville | Village | Paroisse | Canton*

Rue ..... No. ..... Hôpital ou institution

2. SÉJOUR — (a) dans l'hôpital ou l'institution — *Années | Mois | Jours* — (b) dans la municipalité du décès — *Années | Mois | Jours* — (c) dans la province — *Années | Mois | Jours* — (d) au Canada (s'il s'agit d'un immigré) — *Années | Mois | Jours*

3. NOM DU DÉFUNT

Nom de famille ..... *(Lettres moulées)*

Noms de baptême ou prénoms .....

RÉSIDENCE

4. Rue ..... No. .....

Nom officiel de la municipalité civile ou du canton .....

Comté municipal ..... Province .....

5. SEXE	6. NATIONALITÉ (Citoyenneté)	7. ORIGINE RACIALE	8. Célibataire, marié, veuf ou divorcé *(Écrire l'un de ces mots)*

9. Si le défunt était marié, nom de son conjoint .....

10. LIEU DE NAISSANCE (Province ou pays) .....

11. DATE DE NAISSANCE ..... (jour) (mois) (année)

12. ÂGE DU DÉFUNT	Années	Mois	Jours	Si âgé de moins d'un jour
				..... hrs. ou ..... min.

OCCUPATION

13. Métier, profession ou occupation, ex. **tisserand, voiturier, employé de bureau,** etc. .....

14. Genre d'industrie ou d'entreprise, tel que **filature de coton, industrie du bois, banque,** etc. .....

15. Dernière date à laquelle le défunt **vaquait à** ce travail .....

16. Nombre d'années occupées dans cette profession .....

	17. NOM	18. LIEU DE NAISSANCE (Province ou pays)
PÈRE		
MÈRE (Nom de fille)		

19. Lieu de l'inhumation, de l'incinération ou destination du transport .....

20. Date de l'inhumation ..... 19....

21. LIEU DE L'ENREGISTREMENT DE CETTE SÉPULTURE

(a) Nom de la paroisse ou église .....

(b) Municipalité civile de .....

(c) Comté municipal .....

(d) Date ..... 19.... (jour) (mois) (année)

N'écrivez pas dans cet espace

CERTIFICAT MÉDICAL CONFIDENTIEL DE DÉCÈS

22. Date du décès ..... 19.... (jour) (mois) (année)

23. JE CERTIFIE PRÉSENTEMENT que j'ai donné mes soins au défunt depuis le ..... 19.... jusqu'au ..... 19....

que je l'ai vu vivant pour la dernière fois le ..... 19....

24. CAUSE DU DÉCÈS

I **Cause immédiate** Mentionner la maladie, blessure ou complication, causant la mort, **non pas** son syndrome final, tel: syncope, asphyxie, asthénie, etc. (a) ..... dû à

États morbides, s'il y en a, ayant produit la cause immédiate (Les indiquer dans l'ordre chronologique inverse de leur apparition). (b) ..... dû à (c) .....

II **Autres conditions morbides** (importantes seulement) **ayant contribué au décès mais n'ayant aucune portée sur la cause immédiate.** .....

III Si une maladie contagieuse est mentionnée à ce certificat, donner (a) Date d'éclosion ..... 19.... (b) Durée de la maladie ..... jours

25. S'il s'agit d'une femme, y avait-il état puerpéral? .....

26. Y a-t-il eu intervention chirurgicale? ..... Date de l'opération ..... 19....

Constatations ..... Y a-t-il eu autopsie? .....

27. Dans les cas où le décès est attribuable à des causes extérieures (violence):—

Accident, suicide ou homicide ..... Date ..... 19.... (Spécifier)

Manière de la blessure ..... (Dans quelle circonstance)

Nature de la blessure .....

Indiquer si la blessure a été infligée **au lieu du travail, dans l'habitation ou dans un endroit public** .....

Signature ..... **M.D.**

Adresse ..... **Date** ..... 19....

28. Signature de la personne qui remplit la formule (vicaire, coroner, autorité d'un hôpital, etc.) .....

Cette signature autorise le collecteur à accepter la formule comme authentique.

29. Nom du ministre du culte gardien du registre de l'État civil où est inscrit l'acte de cette sépulture. .....

(For English see other side)

R194186 (DPC)

Ontario,
7th February, 1951.

Mrs. Elizabeth Donaldson,
724 Riverview Avenue,
VERDUN, Quebec.

Dear Mrs. Donaldson:

It is with reluctance that I refer to the loss of your son, Sergeant Malcolm Forrest Donaldson, who lost his life on air operations against the enemy November 22nd, 1943, and I am sorry indeed that there has been such a lapse of time before it was possible to convey this report to you, but our Missing Research and Enquiry Service, after intensive investigation, established that your son's aircraft crashed with great violence not far from the city of Hannover, Germany, and that members of the crew were buried in what is known as the Hannover (Limmer) Civil Cemetery. It was also ascertained that another British bomber had crashed in the same area and that the crew had been buried at the same time in the same cemetery.

On examination of the graves at the Hannover (Limmer) Civil Cemetery, it was found that the members of both crews were intermingled and that, most unfortunately, individual identification could only be made of four, one a member of your son's crew, Sergeant W.D. Bracken, Royal Air Force, the Wireless Operator of the crew. The three others individually identified were members of the other crew which was composed entirely of Royal Air Force personnel. In accordance with the agreed policy of the nations of the Commonwealth that all British aircrew buried in Germany would be moved to British Military Cemeteries located in Germany, your son and the members of both crews were moved to the permanent British Military Cemetery at Hannover, Germany. The cemetery is situated three and one-half miles west from the centre of the city and is known as the Hannover War Cemetery.

Your son, Sergeant M.F. Donaldson, with five members of his own crew and four members of the other crew, are resting in collective graves registered in all of their names and numbered 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 17A, Row D, Plot X, in the Hannover War Cemetery. Sergeant W.D. Bracken of your son's crew, Squadron Leader E.H.M. Nesbit, Flying

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Officer A. Barker and Flight Lieutenant G.J.B. Neil, all Royal Air Force and members of the other crew, are resting in adjacent individual graves. So that you may be aware of those that are resting in the collective graves with your son, I am attaching a list of the names. Your son and those members of his crew are marked as No. 1 Crew, the four remaining as No. 2 Crew.

The Hannover War Cemetery will be cared for and maintained in perpetuity by the Imperial War Graves Commission (of which Canada is a member). The cemetery will be beautified by landscaping and the planting of trees, shrubs and flowers, and the Commission will erect a permanent headstone at your son's resting place and will write to you before the stone is prepared, and owing to the extreme hazards attending air operations, there are, unhappily, many collective graves and when permanent headstones are erected, they are placed in alphabetical order. That is to say that the headstone commemorating your son will be the fourth one from the left, that of Sergeant Ackland being No. 1 and that commemorating Flight Sergeant Wilson will be tenth in line.

I realize that this is a very distressing letter but it is my earnest hope that you will be comforted with the knowledge that your son's resting place is known and that it will be permanently maintained, and I would like to take this opportunity of expressing to you and the members of your family my deepest sympathy in the loss of your gallant son.

Yours sincerely,

(W.R. Gunn) Wing Commander,
R.C.A.F. Casualties Officer,
for Chief of the Air Staff.

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F I N A L G R A V E S R E G I S T R A T I O N R E P O R T F O R M

PRE 'D' DAY

B.D.A. Serial No. 4759 File Ref. 4 MRSU/ 906 / 1893 / - /P.4

P.410903 Hannover Civil Cem.Sched.

Air Ministry authority: P.410926/43/S.14.Cas.C.7

Date: 7 November, 1948

Casualty Enquiry No.: -

FO 'X' reference: -

Date of death: 22.11.43

ORIGINAL PLACE OF BURIAL — Location: Hannover Civ.Cem. Kreis: Hannover — Map. reference: L 53/X 32

FINAL REBURIAL DETAILS — British Military Cemetery: Hannover-Limmer — Map. reference: 1 53/X 32

Number	Rank	Name	Init.	Grave Inscription	Plot	Row	Grave	Plot	Row	Grave	Remarks
1457457	Sgt.	BRACKEN	W.D.		10	2	2003	VI	A	7	This cancels
43535	Sqn.Ldr.	NESBIT	E.H.M.		10	2	1999	VI	A	8	our previously
50226	F/O	BARKER	A.		10	2	2001	VI	A	9	raised Final
128584	F/Lt.	NEIL	G.J.B.		10	2	1998	VI	A	10	3372 dated
R.144258	F/Sgt.	JACOB	L.M.		10	2	2000				12 Oct. 1949.
1579567	Sgt.	BOUCHER	W.R.		10	2	2002				in respect of
R.156140	F/Sgt.	RADBOURNE	A.B.		10	2	2004				Concentration
1801770	Sgt.	ACKLAND	A.		10	2	2005				Details.
R.194186	Sgt.	DONALDSON	M.F.		10	2	2006	X	D	13 - 17A	Ø
994186	Sgt.	KEMP	G.		10	2	2007				
127624	F/Lt.	PERFECT	J.		10	2	2008				
1023437	F/Sgt.	CHAPMAN	F.L.		10	2	2009				
46223	F/Lt.	SEYMOUR	A.		~~10~~	~~2~~					
1098032	F/Sgt.	WILSON	W.M.		~~10~~	~~2~~					

Date:- 19 Oct 49

I N V E S T I G A T I O N

R E P O R T

FROM: NO.....23 M.R.E.S. No. 4 M.R.E.U.....

TO:.....H.Q. 4 M.R.E.U. R.C.A.F. H.Q.....

COPIES TO:.....

DATE:.....4th September, 1948

YOUR FILE OR FOLDER REFERENCE:.....P410903.....

YOUR CASUALTY ENQUIRY NUMBER:.....G400.....

OUR REFERENCE:.....4MREU/1119/2/66/P.4.....

NAME OF SEARCH OFFICER:.....F/Lt B. Reider.....

TARGET:.....Berlin. .....

AIRCRAFT TYPE AND SERIAL NUMBER.....Halifax LK.906.....

DATE REPORTED MISSING:.....22/23.11.43.....

PLACE OF CRASH, WITH MAP REFERENCE:.....SCHERENBOSTEL.....

PLACE OF BURIAL, WITH MAP REFERENCE:.....

CREW.

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Hannover(Limmer)Bivil Cem. Disinterred With Map Ref. B.53/X336215

HannoverLimmer Br. Cem. Reinterred With Map Ref. L53/X306220

P.	R.	G.	Service No.	Rank	Recommended identities Name Inits.	Crew Cat.	P.	R.	G.
10	2	2005/9	R144259	Sgt	Jacob, L.M.	Pilot)			
10	2	2005/9	1579567	Sgt	Boucher, W.R.	Nav.)	II	C	15
10	2	2005/9	R156140	Sgt	Radbourne, A.B.	A/B)	II	C	16
10	2	2005/9	1457457	Sgt	Bracken, W.D.	W/AG)	III	B	18
10	2	2005/9	R194186	Sgt	Donaldson, M.F.	MUG)	III	B	19
10	2	2005/9	1801770	Sgt	Ackland, A.	F/E)	IV	A	18
10	2	2005/9	994709	Sgt	Kemp, G.	R/G)			

RESULT OF INVESTIGATION AND FINDINGS

Multiple burial for all crew as shown above.

As instructed in yoour letter ref. P410903/43/S.7.CAS/407w. dated 4/12/46, I proceeded to MELLENDORF in order to locate the crash of Halifax LK 906 and ascertain the fate of its crew.

2. AIRCRAFT In order to facilitate investigations a meeting was called of ? it was ascertained, that a point 3 km. W. of MELLENDORF, where accord to German records in your possession this a/c crashed, lies in fact within the area of the political Gemeinds SCHERENBOSTEL. The bugomaster of SCHERENBOSTEL who was present during these proceedings confirmed that fact, and further stated that he reported this crash to us in the Appendix "B" of the area search certificate. Upon perusal of the area search certificate submitted to us ~~in the Appendix~~ by the Gemeinde Director of SCHERENBOSTEL it was discovered that he did in fact report to us this crash as stated Search activities in the area of Kreis BURGDORF were supposedly completed sometime prior to writing of this report. F/Lt REDMAN who dealt with the investigations in this area has in fact actioned the report submitted by the Gemeinde Director of SCHERENDOSTEL. As he held at the time an outstanding casualty enquiry G1740 later altered to G.1886 particulars of which were:- (a) Halifax crash 27/28.9.43, (b) place of crash as supplied in your letter ref. P409206/S.14.Cas.C.7 date 23.6.47 WIECRENDORF - he assumed at the time of the investigation t the crash of the a/c which was reported by the Gemeinde Director SCHERENDOSTEL referred in fact, to the crash that he was locking

P.T.O.

This was a very reasonable assumption since WIECHENDORF is a part of the political Gemeinde of SCHERANBOSTEL. However, the place of the crash of the a/c which forms the subject of your enquiry G1886 has now been established to be in the Gemeinde of BRELINGEN and the story of the crash will be submitted to you in our investigation report ref. 1119/2/7/1/P.4 (forthcoming). Please note that BRELINGEN lies only a few km from SCHERENBOSTEL.

3. Thus the particulars relating to the crash of the a/c which forms the subject of this report were in fact submitted to you in our report ref. 4MREU/1119/2/67/P.4 dated 22.10.47. as relating to the crash of Halifax J.B. 476.

4. AIRCREW As far as the two crews are concerned the error which was committed has not in fact greatly affected the entire issue. Since both crews were interred originally in Hannover(Limmer) Civil Cemetery F/Lt REIMAN has in fact allotted the appropriate bodies to the crash which forms the subject of your C.E. G.1886. As far as the graves for the crew which forms the subject of this report are concerned, they also were interred in Limmer Civil prior to their reinterrment in British Military Cemetery. Close perusal of the just completed schedule of recommended identities shows that graves 2005/9 contained the remains of 5 or more unknowns ### k/a 22.11.43. Since these are the sole graves for that date in Limmer Civil so far not tied up with any crash it is thought highly probable that the graves in question contained in fact the remains of the crew members of Halifax LK 906. Have you in your possession any records to support this supposition.

5. EXHUMATION: Exhumation reports in respect of the above mentioned graves are attached for your perusal. It will be noted that with the exception of grave 2009 they do not contain any data which could be useful to you in individual identification of the bodies. In grave 2009 was found a body of a F/O. Since, the crew which forms the subject of this report had no officer amongst them; the matters are sadly complicated. Naturally it is still possible that graves 2005/8 still contained the sole remains of the crew in question and that the body found in grave 2009 came from a different crew. On the other hand it could be still possible that either an error was committed in the course of the preparation of the exhumation report or else one of the crew was commissioned shortly before his last trip.

6. CONCLUSION: As matters stand it is recommended that this case should receive your attention when compiling amendments for the Schedule of Recommended identities for Limmer Civil Cemetery. In the meantime Provisional F3372 action is being taken registering graves 2005/9 as multiple burial for the whole crew. Awaiting your observations and final instructions prior to Final F.3372 action being taken.

F/Lt
Investigating Officer

Copy for R.C.A.F. P410903/43

Extract from German Documents: Vol. 16 of "CRASH & P.O.W." Entries 55 & 56

Type of aircraft: HALIFAX DONA, LK906

Date and time of crash:- 22/11/43 at 21.40 hrs.

Location:- 3 Kms. W. of MELLENDORF (HANNOVER)

Nature of crash: Shot down by Flak 99% destroyed by fire on crash

(Halifax LK908 was the only (A/CFT. lost that night with (a number approximating to (LK906. The place of crash (linking up with place of (finding of bodies (below) (is further evidence of (identification.

Crew:- 5 Bodies found at MELLENDORF:-

(1) J.M. Jacobs, R144258

(2) Unidentified)
(3) ")
(4) ") Completely mutilated & destroyed.
(5) ")

(The Docs relating to the bodies & their burial are still held in C.1 (Entry 56). They relate to at least one other crew & cannot be extracted).

Other information: The KE reference 7085, given on the Death-Card for 4 unknown, must be a German clerical error (see Encl. 18), as our "Crash & P.O.W." reports confirm that the crash at KLEIN-BERSSEN was Sgt. K.H. Williams, R186646 and crew.

Signed: J.G. Tallack C.1

Date: 29/11/46

Cemetery:- Buried in Military Cemetery at HANNOVER/LIMMER

AIR MINISTRY

73-77 Oxford Street, London, W.I.

4th December, 1946.

P.410903/43/S.7.Cas/407.W.

Officer Commanding,
No.4 Missing Research & Enquiry Unit,
Royal Air Force,
B.A.F.O., B.A.O.R.

Casualty Enquiry No. G.400
Halifax LK908 - 22/11/43.

R.144359	Sgt. Jacob, L.M.	Pilot
1579567	Sgt. Boucher, W.R.	Nav.
R.156140	Sgt. Radbourne A.B.	A/B
1457457	Sgt. Bracken W.D.	WOP/AG
R.194186	Sgt. Donaldson M.F.	M.U.G.
1801770	Sgt. Ackland A.	F/E
394709	Sgt. Kemp G.	R/G

1. In the above casualty enquiry addressed to you on the 4th January, 1946, it was stated that this aircraft may have crashed in the area or Rinteln (M.R. L.53/B.920995). Subsequent investigation and correspondence on various dates failed to establish the place of crash.

2. German documents have now come to light which state that this aircraft crashed 3Km. west of Mellendorf, near Hannover, at M.R. L.53/X.34. Five bodies were recovered from the aircraft which was "99% destroyed" and allwere buried in the Military Cemetery of Hannover/Limmer but no grave numbers were given. Jacob was identified by name and umber and the other four were buried as unknown. In view of the fact that the aircraft was completely destroyed it is probable that the remains of all seven members of the crew were recovered.

3. May investigations be made in the light of this new information to ascertain complete burial particulars for all members of this crew.

4. Reference your 4MREU/906/G.400 dated 14th June, 1946, and 8th August, 1946, the particulars of aircraft components relating to the crash located near Rintely at M.R. L.53/B.902987, efforts are steill being made to identify the aircraft concerned, and you will be advised as soon as any results are obtaindd. It has, however, been established that particulars obtained at the scene of the crash and reported in yours dated 8th August refer to a Merlin engine built by the Packard Motor Co., in the United States. Engines of this type were never fitted to Halifax aircaft and it can therefore be safely assumed that the crash located near Rinteln does not refer to Halifax L.K.906 as previously thought, and must refer to a Lancaster aricraft

5. You will note that the serial number quoted in the original enquiry as L.K.908 should have read L.K.906.

(C. WILSON) FLIGHT LIEUTENANT.

2 Copies to D.D.G.R.E.
1 Copy to CASCAN.

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COPY FOR OTTAWA

AIR MINISTRY

73-77 Oxford Street, London, W.1

13th July, 1946.

P410903/43/MR.407.W.

Officer Commanding
No. 4 Missing Research and Enquiry Unit,
R.A.F.O. Royal Air Force,
B.A.O.R.

Casualty Enquiry C.400

Halifax L.K. 908 Reported Missing 23rd November, 1943.

R144259	Sgt.	Jacob, L.M.	Pilot
1579567	Sgt.	Boucher, W.R.	Nav.
R156140	Sgt.	Radbourne, A.B.	A/B.
1457457	Sgt.	Bracken, W.B.	W.A.G.
R194186	Sgt.	Donaldson, M.F.	M.U.G.
1601770	Sgt.	Ackland, A.	F/Eng.
994709	Sgt.	Kemp, G.	R/G.

1. Reference your 4 MRU/906/C400 dated 14th June, 1946, concerning the above mentioned Casualty Enquiry and crew of Halifax L.K.908, as shown.

(i)- It is noted that a crater has been located in the Rintein area, believed to be caused by the crash of a British aircraft.

(ii) Remains collected at this crater included seven right hands, and it may therefore be assumed that the crew consisted of seven members, all of them killed, and buried now in the Central Cemetery at Rheinberg.

(iii) The information concerning a pistol, wrists watch, ring, etc., found at the scene of the crash is not sufficient to establish any identity.

(iv) Death cards received from the Germans indicate that Sgt. Jacob lost his life on 22.11.43.

2. The above is a summary of all the information held in this case. There is nothing whatever to connect the crash which has been located and the crew buried at Rheinberg with any particular aircraft, and no evidence to indicate that Sgt. Jacob was, in fact, found at the scene of this crash. We do not know where he is buried, nor where he was found, but it is more probable that he was not connected with this crash, as the circumstances would seem to indicate that it would have been ~~improbable~~ impossible to identify anybody.

3. With reference to the last paragraph of your above referenced report, it is certainly agreed that the fragments buried in Rheinberg are "the sole remains of the crew which crashed in Nagel's field on the evening of 22.11.43", but there is no evidence that this was the aircraft referred to in this enquiry, or that the remains are those of the above mentioned crew.

4. It is requested that a more extensive search be made at the scene of the crash in order to find some aircraft part which will enable us to identify the aircraft which crashed there.

5. This case can not be considered closed, nor at the present can the grave be registered as belonging to any particular crew, and C.W.G. should be notified accordingly. It is further pointed out that the initiative in closing Casualty Enquiries should be taken in this department, where more complete information is available. A further report is awaited.

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