



NEW ZEALAND DEFENCE FORCE

PERSONNEL RECORDS

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Record Title: Lionel Eric SMITH

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2nd NZEF

SOUTH AFRICAN WAR

5456

Contingents: 2nd.

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TRANSIT.

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NEW FILE BEGINS

NEW ZEALAND MILITARY FORCES.

2nd NZEF

SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

S.A.

480

Name: Smith Lionel Eric.

5456

Rank: Private No 480

Contingents: 2nd.

REFERENCE PAPERS.

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TRANSIT.

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1900/1904 Wounded Velt River. 5/5/1900
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NEW ZEALAND.

CONTINGENT FOR SERVICE IN SOUTH AFRICA.

ATTESTATION-FORM FOR VOLUNTEERS.

Regimental No. 480 Company: No 1
Horse: 470 Carbine: 480
Name in full: Smith Lionel Eric
Corps from which drafted: Hawera M.R.
Rank and length of service: Private
Address: Stratford Taranaki
Trade or calling: Carpenter
Name and address of employer: _____
Age: 21 years 3 months. Height: 5 feet 9 1/4 inches.
Chest-measurement: 37 inches. Weight: 11 st. - lb.
Religion: Cof.E.
Next-of-kin (name in full): Father) Henry Percy
Address: Stratford Taranaki
To whom pay to be paid: Self

If not already sworn in as a Volunteer the following oath must be taken:—

I, THE above-named
do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and that I will faithfully serve in the Volunteer Force of New Zealand both within and without the colony until I shall be lawfully discharged.

Witness my hand.

Signature of Volunteer: _____

Witness present: _____

Sworn before me, at Wellington, this _____ day of _____
one thousand _____

Signature of Attesting Officer.

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—

The Under Secretary of State,

War Office,

London, S.W.,

and the following number quoted.

2nd Application

ANSWER.

No. *4/14893/1*



WAR OFFICE,

25th March 1901

SIR,

I am directed by the Secretary of State to request that you will be good enough to return this letter as early as possible, with a statement in the margin showing why no report, on Army Form B. 2090, of the death of the late

480 Rte S. E. Smith of the New Zealand Infy

has been sent to this Office, as required by

paragraph 2103 of the Queen's regulations of 1899.

A death report on the above mentioned

Form, ~~together with a statement in the margin showing why no report~~

should accompany your reply.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Frank J. Marzials.

The Officer Commanding

New Zealand Infy

S. Africa

- Extract -

1700/1904

New Zealanda Immigrant Agency
& 1st George Street
Capetown

26th February 1901

Refusal m 1901. 1958

5. Apr 14 52 The late Apr L. P. Smith N480

Lt. Lord reports as follows "So far I have
been unable to trace his grave or effects but
will communicate with you as soon as I obtain
any news of it".

Extract. - 1900/1901

New Zealand Government Agency
3rd George's Street, Capetown
5. February 1901.

Original on 1901/874

7. Your 1452, the late N^o 480 Trooper L. C. Smith.

Lieut Todd reports that he has been unable to trace his grave or effects, but will communicate with me as soon as he obtains any news. -

Instruction five to
Mr. Reeder in search
to mark all graves of
New Zealanders. 1901/850

not to be marked
on side of road
1901/850

Will there be get news



9/10/1963

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New



Zealand.

DEFENCE.
HEADQUARTERS OFFICE.

Received _____

From _____

Subject: *N° 480 Pte L E Smith*
2nd Contg.

MEMORANDA.

[1,000/1/1961-85]

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DEFENCE 1900/1904.

No. 1456

In reply, please quote
above numbers.

S. 1100/1900-1154

Defence Office,

D 1900/1904

Wellington, N.Z., 29 September 1900

1900

FOR FILE ONLY

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th inst, addressed to the Right Hon the Premier.

In reply I beg to inform you that the Government Agent at Capetown has been instructed to make full and complete enquiries as to the accurate spot where your late son No 480 Private L.E. Smith, 2nd N.Z. Contingent, is buried and so soon as a reply is received, you will be immediately communicated with.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant

[Signature]

Under-Sec. Defence.

H. P. Smith Esq
~~S. P. Smith Esq~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Stratford.

NEW ZEALAND POST OFFICE TELEGRAPHS.

A. Code *Memo*

Of *Wagon* Origin: *Wagon*

Instructions: *Wagon*

Words: *81*

Sent at *9:30* m.

To *Wagon*

By *Wagon*

Ackgt recd by *Wagon*

No of Message

Office Stamp

CHARGES

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For twelve words (including address and signature) 6d.
For every additional word 1d.
"Urgent," double above rates.
On Sundays double rates will be charged for "ordinary" and four rates for "urgent" telegrams

Notice to Sender.
PLEASE AFFIX STAMPS IN THIS SPACE.

This Telegram is presented for transmission by the undersigned, subject to the authorised conditions

TO

H. Percy Smith Esq
Stratford

Your letter received & I will communicate with our agent in South Africa & ask him to endeavour to comply with your wishes

A. J. Smith

To ensure accuracy, cipher or preconcerted code messages should always be repeated.
Repetition fee, one-half rate extra.

DEFENCE 1900/1904.

Defence Office,

B1900/1904

No. 1452

In reply, please quote
above numbers.

3 0000/1900-3134

Wellington, N.Z., 29 September 1900

FOR FILE ONLY.

Sir,

I have been directed by the Right Hon the Premier to request that you will ascertain where No 480 Private Lionel Eric Smith, 2nd N.Z. Contingent was buried. *Mr A. P.* ~~Mr Percy Smith (Surgeon General)~~ *is* the Father of the late Private is very anxious to know the spot where his son was buried, in view of the fact that possibly he may some day desire to visit the grave, and he feels that it will probably be easier to obtain accurate knowledge now of the spot while it can be ascertained definitely from some of those who know it, and who have not yet left the Country.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant

A.P.
Under Sec. Defence.

H G Pilcher Esq
N.Z. Government Agent
3 St Georges Street
Cape Town - South Africa.

For?
The U.S. Defense to try of
Charles and to try of
Wm. P. Litcher to try of
to obtain security for
Admiral
Bradford
Sep 25th 1900
Am. R. J. Seddon.

Dear Sir

I received your kind letter of the 18th inst. with extract from Trooper Gillespie's letter enclosed. I thank you for the same, and also for your sympathy and the trouble that you have taken to furnish me with particulars from time to time of my sons wound and death in South Africa.

I should be very glad indeed if you could ascertain where he is buried, it would be nice to know the spot, for some day perhaps some of us might like to visit the place, and

No.

Copy.



From
CONFIDENTIAL.

THE DEFENCE OFFICE, WELLINGTON, N.Z.,

To
The Officer Commanding

*Wellington District
Wellington*

29th Aug.

, 1900

**** MEMORANDUM. ****

Re

Contingent Business

(1702-4200)

I have the honour to request that you will make inquiries, as to the circumstances of the relatives of the marginally named man, who lost his life in South Africa, and particularly if anyone was dependant on him for a living.

J.S.

A. P. Penton

Col. R.A.

Commander of the Forces

New Zealand.

*No 480. P.W.
Smith. L. E*

URGENT

OFFICE TELEGRAPHS.

Code:

Handed in (Time):

Office of Origin and
Instructions

Cape Town 20

Premier
Wellington



Operator's initials:

Ackgd. by

Checked by

Time delivered:

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Words:



Reddie joined pretoria Constabulary
480 Smith did die wounds.
Sixth May - pilcher -

480 private Lionel Eric Smith. Father H. P. Smith, Stratford.
Inform accy.

*enter in
Recd
25/7/00*

home, except that Capt. Hayhurst
informed me he had heard that
Smith had died of his wound.

J. V. Pender

10/27/1900

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File 16.7.00

PREMIER'S OFFICE,

Wellington, 16 July, 1900.

Memorandum for,

The Commander of the
Forces.

Has any word been
received in your
office about the
Smith referred to in
attached message?

W. Crow,
P.S.