

1830 Private *William S. Hann*

Digester Man, Grand Falls Paper Mill

Enlisted: September 13, 1915, 18 yrs. 2 mo.

Next of Kin: Mr. Isiah Hann, father, Grand Falls, Nfld.

Description:

- Height: 5 ft. 7 in.
- Weight: 130 lbs.
- Chest expansion: 3 in.

Religion: Methodist

Service:

- Left St. John's for Quebec by train, October 10, 1915
- Embarked from Quebec for Britain,
- Joined Newfoundland Regiment in France, June 30, 1916.
- Wounded in the neck, Battle of Beaumont Hamel, July 1, 1916
- Admitted to field hospital (MASH Circa 1916) July 3, 1916, gunshot wound to neck
- Admitted to Third London General hospital, Wandsworth, U.K., July 11, 1916, gunshot wound to neck
- Discharged from hospital August 8, 1916 – Granted furlough as was the case with all wounded soldiers upon recovery
- Killed in action October 9, 1917; Parents received notification of his death from the Rev. W. Dunn on October 20, 1917

Note:

Did Private “Willie S. Hann” leave a wife or sweetheart behind? A sweetheart, maybe? In his record, there are three letters addressed to the Regimental Pay Office, from Miss Margaret McCreadie, 1 Virginia Gardens, Ayr, Scotland, dated November 19, 1916, May 16, 1917 and October 24, 1917, stating that she has not heard from him recently and expressing concern for his well being. Unfortunately, at the time of her third letter, October 24, 1917, he had been killed in action, October 9, 1917.

Private William Hann is the great-uncle of Terry Hann and Mary Folkes (members of our congregation).