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Albert H. Bartlett
World War I
Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland)
Service No. 628X

Born: August 1891

Place of Birth: Port de Grave

Parents: John and Elizabeth Bartlett

In the fall of 1914, Albert, then 23, enlisted in the Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland). As a result, he became part of the Royal Navy and additionally spent a period of time attached to the RCN (Royal Canadian Navy).

Albert's Service Ledger Records reads:

1. 02 Nov 14 – 05 Nov 14: **HMS Calypso** (Newfoundland's training vessel and barracks at St. John's)
2. 06 Nov 14 – 17 Nov 14: **HMS Pembroke**

3. 18 Nov 14 – 02 Dec 16: **HMS Duchess of Devonshire**



Duchess of Devonshire

4. 03 Dec 16 – 27 May 17: **HMS Pembroke 1**
5. 25 May 17 – 14 Jun 17: **HMS Briton**
6. 15 Jun 17 – 29 Jul 17: **HMS Caesar**



HMS Caesar

(HMS *Caesar* was a *Majestic*-class battleship launched in 1896)

7. 30 Jul 17 – 30 Sep 17: **HMS Eileen (Puruni) PURUNI**, patrol vessel, ex-civilian. Built 1905, 295grt. Armed with 2-13pdr. In service from 20.3.17 in West Indies, based at Demerara. Wrecked 29.8.18 off Mayero Island, Grenadines.

8. 01 Oct 17 – 31 Dec 17: Naval Dockyard at Trinidad (**TRINIDAD**, by 1918, 4,000t floating dock, 365x65ft)
9. 01 Jan 18 – 30 Oct 18: **HMS Eileen (Puruni)**
10. 21 Oct 18 – 25 Feb 19: **HMS Eileen**
11. 11 Mar 19 – 21 Apr 1919: **HMS Briton** (shore demobilized).

The general census of Newfoundland allows a picture of Albert's life before and after the war.

The 1911 census shows Albert living at home with his parents. He is 20 at the time.

By 1921, just out of service, Albert (30) is now married to Elsie from Port de Grave and with a family of two (2) girls (Gertrude and Minnie)

The 1935 version of the census, the family remains as it was in 1921. 1938 brings the death of Elsie at age 47. She is buried in St. Luke's Anglican Churchyard Cemetery in Port de Grave.

The 1945 census shows no sign of Albert or his children, who are both adults by now.

Albert is buried in St. Mark's Anglican Cemetery in Bareneed.