



**Christopher Butler**  
**Canadian Engineers**  
**Canadian Expeditionary Force**  
**Regimental No. 2008840**  
**World War I**

**Born:** 28 Jan 1895

**Place of Birth:** South River, Newfoundland

**Parents:** John and Virtue Bussey

Christopher enlisted April 30, 1918, at Toronto, where had gone in search of work. He was 32 at the time and rather old for a recruit. He may have been conscripted under the 1917 Conscription Act. He was posted to the Canadian Engineers and given the rank of sapper.

His Attestation (enlistment) documents show that he was married, had brown hair and eyes, stood 5'5 ¾" tall, a Methodist and miner by trade.

His official service record contains the following entries by date:

1. 27 Jun 1918 Embarked Montreal
2. 15 Jul 1918 Embarked for England
3. 17 Jul 1918 Arrived England and TOS (taken on strength) of the CERD from Canada
4. 13 Sep 1918 SOS (struck off strength) and posted to the CE Pool, France
5. 13 Sep 1918 TOS of CER Pool (joined from base)
6. 28 Sep 1918 Hospitalized with Pneumonia
7. 10 Oct 1918 Died of Pneumonia in hospital

Christopher's wife, Harriet Jane Butler, who was living in South River, Newfoundland received the dreadful news of his death and that he had been buried in Calais, France.

The cemetery would eventually become the Etaples Military Cemetery, Calais, Nord-Pas-de-Calais. Christopher is buried in plot LXVI H. 14