

Herbert Caravan

190th Overseas Battalion Of CEF

Canadian Expeditionary Force

Service No. 892179

World War I

Born: 15 April 1888 (1884?)

Place of Birth: Bay Roberts, Newfoundland

Parents: John and Mary Caravan

Herbert enlisted in the 190th Overseas Battalion of the CEF (Canadian Expeditionary Force) on 27 April 1916. He was living and working in Winnipeg, Manitoba as a signaler linesman at the time. Herbert was twenty-eight (28), stood 5 ft 8 inches tall, weighed 150 lbs and had light brown hair with blue eyes. He was single and a Methodist by faith. Herbert's time in the service would last just 228 days and he would be discharged as being medically unfit.

Although he cleared his initial medical examination on 27 April 1916 and was declared fit for service, Herbert would subsequentially become ill and be hospitalized at Winnipeg General Hospital from 15 July 1916 to 22 Oct 1916. This illness would result in a medical condition that would see his military service come to an end in February 1917.

Although Herbert is difficult to locate following his discharge, it seems that he moved to British Columbia and was married to a lady from Bay Roberts, Newfoundland by the name of Katherine Dorcas (Mercer) Caravan. This would be a second marriage for Katherine.

Herbert passed away at the age of 42 in 1926, while Katherine died in 1967. They are buried in the Mountain View Cemetery, Vancouver, British Columbia.