

C. S. Pickford Esq., - 2 -

The files here disclose that, upon being asked for a report on ex-Lieutenant G. C. Pickford, the officer commanding the Royal Canadian Regiment did on the 17th of July, 1917 address the following letter to the headquarters of the 7th Canadian Infantry Brigade:-

" Confidential

Royal Canadian Regiment,  
S.A. 579

G.C.Pickford,  
late Lieutenant  
R.C.R.

7th Canadian Infantry Brigade,

With reference to your S.C.R.  
244, dated 14th instant:-

The officer was lazy and was not to be relied upon. His habits of life were not good. His general conduct as an officer was not satisfactory.

(Signed) C. H. Hill

Lieut.-Col.  
Commanding R.C.R.

17-7-1917. "

This report was forwarded to the Canadian Corps by General Lipsett, commanding the 3rd Canadian Division. In forwarding it, General Lipsett stated that he concurred in the report.

Furthermore, in your memorandum you intimated that you were not satisfied with the proceedings of the court martial. The records of the Militia Department at Ottawa disclose that this whole matter was gone into very carefully by your son with Lieut.-Col. R.M. Dennistoun, then Deputy Judge Advocate-General