



First Newfoundland Regiment

ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1009

Name in full Edward Alphonsus Lyre, Age 19
 Address Chamuel, St. John's 130
~~Married~~
 Single Height _____ Weight _____
 Color _____ Hair _____ Eyes _____

Other distinguishing marks _____
 Nearest relative Mrs. Selina Lyre (Mother)
 Address Chamuel

Dependents Father and Mother
 Occupation Seaman Present Wage \$25.00 per month

Previous service _____
 Decorations _____

General Remarks _____
 Date of enlistment 29th January 1915

I, Edward Alphonsus Lyre, do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty, and that I will faithfully serve His Majesty in any place where I may be needed (or in the Colony of Newfoundland, as the case may be), against all His enemies and opposers whatsoever, according to the condition of my service.

Edward Alphonsus Lyre

Declared before me this 11th day
 of February 1914

Recruiting Officer
August 1914
Edward Alphonsus Lyre

Enlistment

C.R. 1009

Edward A. Ayre was attested for General service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT onJan. 29th 1915.
Regimental No 1009 was allotted to Pte. Edward A. Ayre.

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th, 1919.

CR 1009

Extract from Final Roll of Draft embarked for overseas per E.S.

Stephano March 30th 1915.

No. 6. Platoon.

1009 Pte. E. Ayre.

C.R. 1009

Extract from Nominal Roll of 60. 1st Bn. Nfld. Regt.
Embarked at Devonport for Active Service 20-8-15.

1009 Pte. E.A. Ayres.

Disembarked Alexandria, 31-8-15. Proceeded to Abbassia,
Cairo, same date. Embarked Alexandria for Gallipoli
13-9-15.

To be used only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reservists enlisted in the Regular Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Ayre OF Christian Name Edward Aephrosas

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish _____ County _____

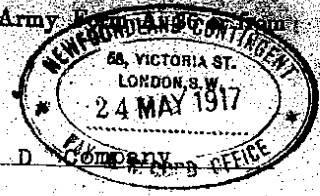
	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	on	day of	on	day of
Examined	28	Jan	1915	191
Declared Age	19	years		
Trade or Occupation	Seaman.			
Height	5	feet 3 1/2		inches
Weight		130		lbs.
Chest Measurement {	Girth when fully expanded	33		inches
	Range of expansion	35 1/2		inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks {	Right	Left	Right	Left
	Arm			
When Vaccinated	1911.			
Vision	R. E.—V==		R. E.—V==	
	L. E.—V==		L. E.—V==	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(a)		(a)	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause Rejection	(b)		(b)	
Approved by (Signature)	<i>Chas. Aephrosas</i>			
(Rank)	Capt.		L.P.	
	Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at	St Johns	at	
	on	29 day of Jan	on	day of 191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	1st Field Regt	Corps.	
	Regtl. No.	1009	Regtl. No.	
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
	on	day of	on	day of
(Signature)		191		191
(Rank)				

ORIGINAL.

Army Form B. 20902

FIELD SERVICE.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form B. 214 from other official documentary sources.



REGIMENT } NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company }
or
CORPS }

Regtl. No. 1009 Rank Lance Corporal

Name AYRE, E.

Date July 1st., 1918.

Died Place France.

Cause of Death* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Burial Report, 23/4/17.

By whom made G.O.C., 5th. Corps.

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place _____
Date _____
By whom reported _____

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not to hand.
(b) in Small Book (if at Base) do
(c) as a separate document do

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge } *Doobee* Lieut. for Lt. Col.,
of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } Officer i/c Records Reg. Inf. Sec. 1,
3rd. Echelon, G.H.Q., B.E.F.

Station and Date 19 18/5/17.

PAY LIST

NON-DEBT

Regiment or corps *1st Newfoundland*
 No. *1059* Rank *Lieut* Name *L. Ayre*
 Died (a) *Intestate at France* on the *12* of *July* 191*6*.
 Deserted at _____ on the _____ of _____ 191*6*.

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

 Commanding Squadron, Troop,
 Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

[Form 1.]

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month <i>JUL 1 1916</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>8 1/2</i>
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	£ s. d.				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	191				Messing allowance days at _____			
	"				from _____ to _____			
	"				Kit allowance			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2			
	Consolidated stoppage				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
					Deferred Pay or Gratuity			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<i>15</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>8 1/2</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		<i>£ 15</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>8 1/2</i>		<i>£ 15</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>8 1/2</i>

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of _____ is correctly chargeable against the Public (b).

Dated at _____
 this _____



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Paymaster

(a) If the deceased was a member of the Forces, the Will should be submitted to the War Office, London, for approval. (b) If the deceased was not a member of the Forces, the Will should be submitted to the Probate Office, London, for approval.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps Newfoundland.

Regimental No. 1009 Rank Pte Name Ayre E

Enlisted (a) Jan 29/15. Terms of Service (a) 1 year. Service reckons from (a) Jan 29/15.

Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended Duration of War. Re-engaged Aug 16/15. Qualification (b) _____



certified true copy

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 86, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked St. Johns. Nfld.		20. 3. 15.	
		Disembarked Alexandria		1. 9. 15.	
		Embarked for Gallipoli.		13. 7. 15.	
		Embarked Port Suez		14. 3. 16.	
		Disembarked Marseilles		22. 8. 16.	
11. 7. 16	Unit.	No working.	Francia.	1. 7. 16.	B 213.
23. 4. 17	G. D. C 5 Corp.	Killed in Action. (Sh. 57. D. 9. 10. d. N° MANS LARD. E of V Ravine).	Francia.	1. 7. 16.	Burial Report.

*J. Lodgey
25 for
O/S 101 Reg Inf. Section.
9/149. 2nd Echelon.*

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
(b) e.g., Signaller, Shooting Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

C.R. 1009

Extract from Regimental Orders by Lt. Col.,
Sir W. E. Davidson, K. C. M. G.,
Officer Commanding Dated April 11th., 1916.

AUTHORITY The Royal Gazette, April 11th., 1916.

#1009 Pte. E. Ayre.

To be Lance Corporal
from 27/2/16.

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A (20)

COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated 31st July, 1916.

To Mrs. Selina Ayre,
Channel.

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,
London, officially reports No. 1009 Lance Corporal
Edward A. Ayre as Missing.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immedi-
ately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

April 17th 19.

Secretary, Board of Pension Commissioners,
City.

Re- No. 1009. L/C. EDWARD A. AYRE.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of January 14th, 1919, I beg to state that the amount paid in continuance of this soldier's Allotment is six hundred and thirty nine dollars, and eighty cents.

(\$639. 80¢)

Yours faithfully,

Captain.

Paymaster & C. i/o Records.

December 20th, 1917.

Mr. Edward Ayre,

Channel, Nfld.

Dear Sir,-

I enclose herewith cheque for \$89.83, being the amount due you as Administrator of the Estate of the late L/Cpl. E. Ayre. I also enclose letter of Administration.

Yours faithfully,

Capt. & Paymaster.

JH/.
Encl. 2

1009

July 29, 1919

Mrs. Selina Ayre,
CHANNEL.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of July 21st. I beg to advise you that your allotment was continued by order of the pension Commissioners, from the 31st. Dec. 1918, therefore for any further information on this matter, I would suggest that you communicate direct with the Board of Pension Commissioners.

With reference to the latter portion of your letter concerning a photograph of your son's grave, I have referred it to the Record Department, and have asked them to reply direct to you.

Yours truly,

Capt.
for Paymaster

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

COPY OF WILL

OF

1867, Corporal E. Ayre.



-----the event of my death, I give the whole of my property and
Effects to Mrs. Edward Ayre, Chan-----, Port ---- New-----.

Signature,

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY.
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS.

DATED.

A. B. 64, Badly Mutilated.

RECEIPT.

C.R.

1009

I hereby certify that I have received the 1914-1915

STAR.

No 1009

Name

Pte E. D. Dye

Witness. Alexander Carver

Mrs S. Dye

Date Dec 9 1919

Channel

Place Chamont

R

V.



24th February, 1920.

Sir,

I enclose herewith letter dated 11th February from Mrs. Selina Ayre of Channel, in which she speaks of the case of her son No. 1009, Lee. Corporal E. A. Ayre, who was killed in action.

Mrs. Ayre would seem to be dissatisfied with the assistance which is being given her by the Department of Militia and sets forth in her letter certain family reasons which would tend to show that she is deserving of all possible assistance from the Government.

Perhaps you will have this case looked up and if Mrs. Ayre is entitled to any more money than she has been receiving perhaps you will kindly see that the same is paid her. In any case kindly communicate with her, giving a full explanation regarding the whole matter of moneys due or being paid her.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

W. F. Bennett
A matter for discussion

Deputy Colonial Secretary

W. F. Bennett, C.B.E.,
Dept. of Militia

Channel
Feb 15th 1926

brothers which they left
be kind.

I remain yours truly

Mrs. Selma Ayre

Channel

~~M. J. S. P.~~

P. M.

Mr. Pendell. Dear Sir:-

I want to
tell you how much the sorry
Government helped me when
I lost my son Lt. Corporal Ed
Ayre 1809. He volunteered at St
John's at the age of 17. He was
Steward on the U.S. Fortia at
the time of enlistment. He made his
statements to me. As he knew
I was badly in need of it. He left
me 76 \$ per a day. which I receive
shortly after his death. He was
my main support. I am a mother
of children 3 dead and 6
living

My Husband is alive but his eye
sight failed him. I wrote to
them and ask them
could they help me. They did not
say I was ^{was} entitled to it.
but they said they could not help
me. They ask my
husband to go under Medical
examination and he did so by
Dr. Grant. He gave him a
paper he sent down to Lt.
John. saying that both
eyes effected. left eye badly
effected. And now he can
hardly see to get around.
He goes in a little row.
boat. ^{you see} so you see that is not
much help of family if he had
his eye sight he could very
well get us a living.
There was a Separation
Allowance given but I

received none. I think you will say
with me that I am entitled to it.
I got nothing by the allotment
that he left me. I wrote and
ask them. where was his part
of money from the time he has
reported missing on July the first
up till now reported killed
in action. but they did not
say anything about it. I lost
3 months while he was out
he was my main support it is
pretty hard for us to get along
with a large family and with a
man near sighted. I was some glad
when the Tories had to get out in
November. They gave the returned soldiers
a month some of them having
a good time of it which if the poor
mothers that lost their sons would
put in good use, it would
help to do the their sisters and

Drummond
Mrs Selma
Agre.
Chamuel
P.F. 189

Chamuel
Feb 14/1920

There was a Separation Allowance
given but I received none
I do think you will say with
me that I am entitled to it.
I got nothing but the word meant
that he left me. I wrote
and ask him where was
his part of money from the
time he was reported missing
in July the first up till
I was reported killed in
action. but they did not
say anything about it I lost
3 sons while the war was on.
He was my main support. It is pretty
hard for us to get along with a
large family and with a man
near sighted. I was some glad
when the boys had to get out in war.

Mr. Squire Dear Sir:
I want
to tell you how much the Jory
Government helped me when
I lost my son. S. Corp E.D.
Agre 10019. He volunteered
at St John's at the age of 17
He was my eldest son. He
was steward on the S. S. Portia
at the time of enlistment. He made
his allotment to me so he
knew I was badly in need of it.
He left me 10 \$ per a day,
which I received it till shortly
after his death. He was main
support. I am a mother of 9
children 3 dead and 6
living.

My husband is blind but his
eye - slight failed him.
I wrote to St. John's and
ask if they could help me.
They said no & say I wasn't
entitled to it. They said
they could not help me. They
ask my husband to go
under medical examination.
and he did so by Dr. Grant.
He gave him a paper he sent
down to St. John's saying
that both eyes effected & left
eye bad by effected; and now
he can hardly see to get round.
He goes in a little boat fishing
a little row boat. So
you see that is not much
to keep a family if he had
his eye sight he could
very well get us a living

CR. 1009

May 13th, 1920

Mrs. Selina Ayre,
Channel.

Dear Madam:-

With reference to your letter of Feb. 11th, and also your letter the Prime Minister of the same date, relative to pension on account of your deceased son, No. 1009 L/Cpl. E.A. Ayre.

The matter has been referred to the Board of Pension Commissioners who state that your case was considered by that Board on 13th Jan. 1919, and your application form showed that your husband was 48 years of age, that he earns \$450 per annum, and there is one son aged 16 years. Dr. Grant's medical certificate states Mr. Ayre is disabled to the extent of 1/3 in earning power.

Under the Pensions Act, therefore, you are not considered as solely or mainly dependent upon your deceased son, and pension cannot be allowed.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

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June 21, 1917.

Dear Madam,

I beg to inform you that information, with respect to the gravesite of No. 1009, Lance Corporal Ayre, has now been received from the Pay and Record Office of the First Newfoundland Regiment, London.

The General Officer Commanding, 5th Corps, British Expeditionary Force, reports that Lance Corporal Ayre was buried West of Y Ravine, No Man's Land, British Front, on the 23rd of April, 1917.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Selina Ayre,
Channel.

23rd November, 1916.

Dear Madam,

For some time past the Imperial Government have been making enquiries in relation to those men of the First Newfoundland Regiment who have been reported missing since the action of the 1st July. I very much regret to state, however, that from the correspondence which has taken place, a copy of which I enclose, it is evident that none of them are Prisoners of War in Germany, and the authorities are, therefore, reluctantly forced to the conclusion that all these gallant men, whose names are given in the enclosed list, and one of whom was very dear to you, were killed in that fateful action on the 1st of July.

I desire to express to you on behalf of the Government, as well as for myself, the sincerest sympathy in this time of sorrow. We feel the loss of our loved ones, but it will, no doubt, be some consolation to you to think that he, for whom you now mourn, willingly answered the call of King and Country, did his part nobly, and fell, facing the foe, in defence of the principles of Righteousness, Truth and Liberty. Though he has laid down the earthly weapons of warfare, he now wears the Soldier's Crown of Victory, and his name will be inscribed upon the Glorious Roll of Honor, and be held in fragrant memory by all his fellow-countrymen. When the victory is won, and Peace again reigns upon the earth, it will be a comforting thought to you that in this glorious achievement he bore no small part.

I trust that you may have the Grace and consolation of the Great Father of us all at this time.

With sincere sympathy,

Believe me to be,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Selina Ayre,
Channel.

1009

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

W. P. Griffin & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4.
 (513) W903/115 1000-12/14s 28 56

Number of Sheet
1

Signature of O. C. Company
[Signature]

Regiment of *Newfoundland*

Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

No.	1009 <i>Oppe E.</i>		
Joined	Date	Trade	<i>Seaman</i>
Joined	Date	Religion	<i>R.C.</i>
Joined	Date	Place of Birth	
Joined	Date	Place of Birth	

Age on	19	years	-	months
Place and Date of Enlistment	<i>St. Johns</i>			
Period of	<i>from 29 1915</i>			
	<i>with Colours 1914 years.</i>			
	<i>with Reserve 1915 years.</i>			

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Delinquency	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Rate of pay or order depending on this rate	By whom awarded	REMARKS
		<i>PL</i>		<i>Killed in Action</i>	<i>1 76</i>				

To be carried over

Army Form B. 121.