



# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 3711

Name Gilbert Baldwin Corps Cof.L.

### Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1. What is your name? .....  | 1. <u>Gilbert Baldwin</u>                     |
| 2. What is your full Address? .....  | 2. <u>Middle Arm</u><br><u>Bay of Islands</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? .....  | 3. <u>Yes</u>                                 |
| 4. What is your age? .....   | 4. <u>19</u> Years <u>11</u> Months           |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? .....  | 5. <u>Fisherman</u>                           |
| 6. Are you Married? .....  | 6. <u>No</u>                                  |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? .....                             | 7. <u>No</u>                                  |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? .....  | 8. <u>Yes</u>                                 |
| 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? .....   | 9. <u>Yes</u>                                 |
| 10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? .....                                     | 10. { Name .....                              |
|  | { Corps .....                                 |
| 11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? ..... | 11. <u>Yes</u>                                |

I, Gilbert Baldwin do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.

Gilbert Baldwin SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

R. M. Conaghan Signature of Witness.

7-1-5-17

### OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Gilbert Baldwin do make oath, that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown and Dignity against all enemies, according to the conditions of my service.

### CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at St. John's on this 1 day of May 1917

Signature of Attesting Officer W. H. ...

### † CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to that .....

If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date.....191.....

Place..... } Approving Officer.

† The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Recruit.  
 † Here insert the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

\* If so, Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former service, and to produce, if possible, his Certificate of Discharge and Certificate of Character, which should be returned to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink, as follows, viz:—(Name).....re-enlisted in the (Regiment).....on the (Date).....



C.R. 3711

Extract from Daily Orders Part II Unit The Royal  
Hfld. Regt., St. John's. May.1st, 1917.

3711 Pte. G. Baldwin.

Attested this day, posted to F. Company and assigned  
number<sup>s</sup> as shown.

C.R. 3711

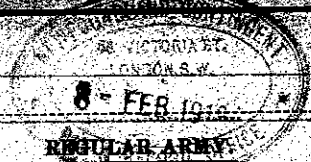
Extract from Journal of the Board of St. John's for Veterans,  
for A.S. "Historical" 25.6.1917

3711 Pte. G. Baldwin.

Surname *Palmer*

Christian Name *Robert*

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.



Birthplace:—Parish *Bay of Islands* County

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <i>2</i> day of <i>May</i> 191 <i>7</i>		on day of 191	
	at <i>Headquarters</i>		at	
Declared Age	<i>19</i> years <i>11 1/2</i> months <i>11</i> days		years days	
Trade or Occupation	<i>Fisherman</i>			
Height	<i>5</i> feet <i>7 1/2</i> inches		feet inches	
Weight	<i>130</i> lbs.		lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Grith when fully expanded <i>36</i> inches		inches	
	Range of Expansion <i>4</i> inches		inches	
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R.E.—V= <i>6/6</i>		R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V= <i>6/6</i>		L.E.—V=	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	<i>(a)</i>		<i>(a)</i>	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to Cause rejection	<i>(b)</i>		<i>(b)</i>	
Approved by (Signature)	<i>L. Palmer</i>			
(Rank)	<i>Major</i>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <i>St. Johns</i>		at	
	on <i>2</i> day of <i>May</i> 191 <i>7</i>		on day of 191	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regd. No.	Corps.	Regd. No.
	<i>1st</i>	<i>992D</i>	<i>3711</i>	
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by	on day of 191		on day of 191	
(Signature)				
(Rank)				





OFFICE COPY

PAY LIST

Army Form B 1887

to

191 Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps

No. 3411.

Rank Private

Name Baldwin G.

Died (a) *Antwerp* at *France*

on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April 1918.

Deserted at

on the of 191

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

Commanding Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Date	Dr.	£ s. d.			Cr.	£ s. d.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month .....				Balance Cr. last month .....	2	4	18
	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 from to			
"					Kit allowance .....			
"					Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
20 MAR 1918					Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated).			
	Consolidated stoppage .....				Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	4	4	11	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
	£ 4 4 11				£ 4 4 11			

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 4 4 11 is correctly chargeable against the Public (b).

Dated at

this

day of

20 MAR 1918

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Paymaster.

(a) Here state whether the soldier died intestate, or whether he left a Will. In the latter case the Will should be annexed hereto, if not already sent to War Office with Army Form B. 2080 or Army Form O. 1815.

(b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE

ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

3711, Private Gilbert BALDWIN

- 1) Born at Bay of Islands, Newfoundland in 1898
- 2) Enlisted with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment at St-John's, Newfoundland May 1, 1917
- 3) Embarked for Britain, August 4, 1917
- 4) Proceeded to France February 3, 1918
- 5) Died April 2, 1918 of wounds received in action
- 6) Service Awards: British War Medal  
Victory Medal
- 7) Buried in Plot 14, Row B Grave 14 of the Nine Elm British Military Cemetery, Poperinghe, Belgium

*Rm 1*  
for Head  
Canadian Forces Records Centre

Ottawa, January 17, 1980

**ORIGINAL**

**FIELD SERVICE**

Army Form B. 2090A.

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 A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT OR CORPS Royal Newfoundland Regt. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } A. Co.

Regimental No. 3711. Rank Private.

Surname Baldwin. Christian Names G.

Died { Date 2-4-18. Place France or Belgium.

Cause of Death\* Died of wounds received in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Death report d/3-4-18.

By whom made O.C., 3rd. Aus. C.C.S.



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

**COPY SENT TO**  
State whether he leaves  
ST. JOHNS, N.F.L.D.  
N.F.P. 38  
DATED 10 MAY 1918

(a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not received. (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not received.  
(c) as a separate document None received.

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any are found to be missing, should be forwarded to the War Office.

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.

Station and Date } 16-4-18. Signature of Officer in charge of Section } Lt. for Major,  
Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } Officer i/s No. 1 Infantry Section.

Army Form B. 103.

Regiment *5/11*

**Casualty Form - Active Service.**

Regiment or Corps *Royal Newfoundland*

Rank *Plt* Surname *Baldwin* Christian Name *Gilbert*

Religion *Copt.* Age on Enlistment *19* years *11* months

Enlisted (a) *1-5-17* Terms of Service (a) *Duration* Service reckons from (a) *1*

Date of promotion to present rank \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment to lance rank \_\_\_\_\_

Extended \_\_\_\_\_ Re-engaged \_\_\_\_\_ Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_  
or Corps Trade and Rate \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation *Fisherman*

*W. J. P. [Signature]*  
Signature of Officer



Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c. during active service, as reported on Army Form B.23, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.23, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked	<b>3 FEB 1918</b>		
		Disembarked	<b>16 FEB 1918</b>		
		<i>Ad. Wamps trans</i>	<i>3 weeks</i>	<i>1/4/18</i>	<i>B213 2/4/18</i>
<i>6/4/18</i>	<i>1879A</i>	<i>Dead of Wounds</i>	<i>Fyed</i>	<i>1/4/18</i>	<i>609904</i>
<i>3/4/18</i>	<i>3 weeks</i>	<i>(S.W. 2.5 in. penetrating abdomen)</i>		<i>2/4/18</i>	<i>N/ 21135</i>
		<i>See Off. R. of School</i>			

(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) Signaller, Shooting-Smith, &c.  
W. 11214-M1185-1000m 1/12 (27437) S.P. & Co. Ltd. Form B/10214 E/134. (P.T.O.)

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The Management may decline to forward the Message, though it has been received for transmission, but in case of so doing shall refund to the Sender the amount paid for its transmission.

In case the Message shall never reach its destination by reason of any neglect or default of the N. P. T. or its Servants whilst the Message remains under the control of the N. P. T., they will refund the amount paid by the Sender for such Message.

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I request that the following Telegram may be forwarded according to the foregoing Conditions, by which I agree to abide.

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender

Address

Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent by	Check
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Dated April 5th, 1918.

To John Baldwin, Middle Arm, Bay of Islands.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No. 3711, Private Gilbert Baldwin dangerously ill at 3rd Australian Casualty Clearing Station 2nd April G.S.W. left side penetrating abdomen.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you and trust that next report will be of his convalescence.

J. R. Bennett

Acting Minister of Militia.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 3711  
Counter No.

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



## Cable Connection with all the World

and Messages by the Government of Newfoundland Subject to the Following Conditions:

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The N. P. T. shall not be liable for any compensation beyond the amount refunded as above for any loss, injury, or damage arising or resulting from the non-transmission or non-delivery of the Message, or delay or error in the transmission or delivery thereof, howsoever such transmission, non-delivery, delay, or error shall have occurred.

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I request that the following Telegram may be forwarded according to the foregoing Conditions, by which I agree to abide.

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender J. R. Bennett Address Dept of Militia

Line Number	Recd.	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated

April 9th, 1918.

To

John Baldwin, Middle Arm, Bay of Islands.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, reports to-day No. 3711, Private Gilbert Baldwin died of wounds 3rd Australian Casualty Clearing Station April 2nd. Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you

J. R. Bennett

Acting Minister of Militia

**NOTE FOR COMMANDER:**  
**THIS MESSAGE IS NOT TO BE DELIVERED UNTIL RECEIVING OFFICE NOTIFIES THAT MESSAGE TO CHURCH OF ENGLAND MINISTER OR SCHOOL TEACHER, MIDDLE ARM, BAY OF ISLANDS HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON.**

FOR TYPEWRITER

Dept. of Militia,  
St. John's.

.....1921

(961)

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 3711 Rank 1st Lt  
Name Gilbert Baldwin  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

*[Handwritten flourish]*

John Baldwin  
Father



Address Cox's Cove Middle Arm  
Bay of Islands

Relationship



Sept 7th, 1918

Mr. John Baldwin,  
Middle Arm,  
Bay of Islands.

Dear Mr. Baldwin,

I am writing to inform you that it is my regrettable duty to forward to you one package containing effects which belonged to your son, the late No. 5712, Private Gilbert Baldwin of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

I am enclosing herewith receipt; will you kindly sign same and return at your earliest convenience.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement, and the added sorrow which the receipt of these effects must entail.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

Lieut

Casualty Officer.

Encl.

CP 3711

PERSONAL EFFECTS

RECEIVED FROM MILITIA DEPARTMENT

ONE PACKAGE CONTAINING EFFECTS OF THE LATE NO. 3711, PTE.  
GILBERT HALDWIN.

SIGNED.....

*John Raldwin*


DATED.....

*Sept 13<sup>th</sup> 1918*

(3711)

PERSONAL EFFECTS

Name Baldwin G  
 No. 3711 Rank Pt  
 Regiment R. Newfoundland

Article	Where stored	Notified by
1 Package - Containing Photos - 2 Relig Books - 1 Gold Ring (shell) - 1 Cig Case		
	Final Disposal	
		RECEIVED NEWFOUNDLAND

Remarks: - D.O.W.  
Next of Kin -  
John Baldwin  
Middle Ave  
Bay of Islands

C.R. 3711

July 23, 1918.

Mr. John Baldwin,  
Middle Arm Bight,  
Bay of Islands.

Dear Mr. Baldwin:-

I am writing to inform you that we have been notified by mail from our Record Office, London, stating that your son the late #3711 Pte. Gilbert Baldwin of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment, is buried at:- "Nine Elms British Poperinghe, one mile West of Poperinghe, Belgium."

Yours sincerely,

  
Lieut.  
for Lieut.Col.C.S.O.

March 16, 1920

From: The Paymaster  
To : The Secretary  
Board of Pension Commissioners for Wld.

Re No. 3711, Baldwin, Gilbert

The amount paid in continuation of the  
above man's allotment is \$418.80.

Major  
Paymaster

AJI/EM.

May 30, 1919

Mr. Gilbert Baldwin,  
Middle Arm,  
ST. GEORGE'S.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith  
cheque for \$34.65, balance of estate of  
late Pte. G. Baldwin, due you as Admin-  
istrator of his estate.

I am also enclosing  
Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,

Capt.  
Paymaster & C i/c Records.