

# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 5907 Name Thomas Benton Corps C/Co

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

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| <p>1. What is your name? .....</p> <p>2. What is your full Address? .....</p> <p>3. Are you a British Subject? .....</p> <p>4. What is your age? .....</p> <p>5. What is your Trade or Calling? .....</p> <p>6. Are you Married? .....</p> <p>7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? .....</p> <p>8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? .....</p> <p>9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? .....</p> <p>10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you?.....</p> <p>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? .....</p> | <p>1. <u>Thomas Benton</u></p> <p>2. <u>Bulls Cove Basin</u></p> <p>3. <u>Yes</u></p> <p>4. <u>18</u> Years <u>6</u> Months</p> <p>5. <u>Fisherman</u></p> <p>6. <u>No</u></p> <p>7. <u>No</u></p> <p>8. <u>Yes</u></p> <p>9. <u>Yes</u></p> <p>10. { Name .....</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">Corps .....</p> <p>11. <u>Yes</u></p> |
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I, Thomas Benton 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.

7-12-7-17 Thomas Brinton SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
J. D. ... Signature of Witness.

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

I, Thomas Benton 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 12 day of July 1917.

Signature of Attesting Officer W. S. ...

**† 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 the ...

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

Date July 17 1917

Place St. John's } 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 retained to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink with the following viz:—(Name)..... re-enlisted in the (Regiment).....



C.R. 3907

Extract from Daily Orders Part II Unit The Royal RFLA.  
Regt., St. John's, July 18th, 1917.

3907 Pts. T. Brinton.

Attended his day, posted P. Coy, and assigned number as  
shown.

C.R. 3907

Extract from Medical Roll embarked on John's for Overseas,  
per S.A. "Morisset" Aug. 4, 1917.

~~300~~ Pts. T. Brinton.

3907

To be filled out for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reservists  
Regular Army

# MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Burton OF Christian Name Thomas

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE:

Birthplace:—Parish Burton County

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>12</u> day of <u>July</u> 191 <u>7</u> at <u>Headquarters</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>  </u> at _____	
Declared Age	<u>18</u> years <u>6</u> days		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Fisherman</u>		_____	
Height	<u>5</u> feet <u>6</u> inches		_____ feet _____ inches	
Weight	<u>120</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Grith when fully expanded <u>35 1/2</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of Expansion <u>3</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development	_____		_____	
Vaccination Marks	Arm	_____	Arm	_____
	Number	_____	Number	_____
When Vaccinated	_____		_____	
Vision	R.E.—V= <u>6/6</u> L.E.—V= <u>6/6</u>		R.E.—V= <u>  </u> L.E.—V= <u>  </u>	
	(a) _____		(a) _____	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(b) _____		(b) _____	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection	_____		_____	
Approved by (Signature)	<u>Lambert Paterson</u>		_____	
(Rank)	<u>Major</u>		_____	
Enlisted	at <u>St. Johns</u> on <u>12</u> day of <u>July</u> 191 <u>7</u>		at _____ on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>  </u>	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	<u>1st Regt. D. Reg.</u>	Corps.	_____
	Regtl. No.	<u>3907</u>	Regtl. No.	_____
Transferred to	_____		_____	
Became non-effective by	_____		_____	
(Signature)	_____		_____	
(Rank)	_____		_____	

No. 4249

ORIGINAL



NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

ALLOTMENT

I, (No.) 390 (Rank) Private (Name) Brenton, James  
hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in required form,  
to make an allotment of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars and fifty cents  
per diem, from my pay, to and for the benefit of the undermentioned  
Person and/or Persons. Such payments to be made on proof of identity  
of the Person and/or Persons concerned, viz.,

Whether Wife Child, other Relative, or Friend	NAME (In Full.)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (Each Person)	
			\$	¢
Father.	James Brenton	Bulls Cove. Bassin. Placette Bay. Newfoundland.		50

This Allotment to take effect from and including April 1<sup>st</sup> 1918

NOTE:- This Form must be completed and Signed by the Soldier, counter-  
signed by the Officer Commanding his Company, and forwarded to the  
C/Paymaster in accordance with P.&R.O. C.L./10, 9/12/16.

(Sig.) J. H. Edwards  
Officer Commanding  
"D" Company.

Dated at St. John's, Newfoundland  
March 13  
1918

(Sig.) J. Brenton  
Allotter.

J. Brenton  
3/13/18

**PAY LIST**

to

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Volunteers

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps

No. 3904

Rank

To

Name

Brenton, J.

Died (a) Intestate

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14

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Oct

1918.

Deserted at

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I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

{ Commanding Squadron, Troop,  
Battery or Company.

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.**

[Form 1.]

Date	Dr.				Cr.			
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month .....				Balance Cr. last month .....	14	10	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 days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	"				Kit allowance .....			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
	"				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	9	13	4	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£	9	13		£	9	13
				4				4

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ \_\_\_\_\_ is correctly chargeable against the Public.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 191 \_\_\_\_\_

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, 2090 or Army Form O, 1815.  
(b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

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# 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 ..... ..... ..... Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company

Regimental No. 3907. Rank Private

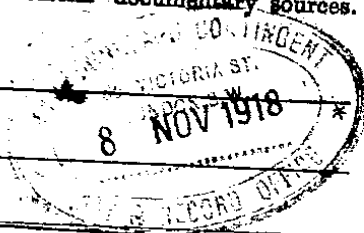
Surname Brinton. Christian Names T.

Date ..... 1918 Place Belgium.

Cause of Death\* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report B 21 // 21-10-18.

By whom made O.C. Unit.



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TO	NO.	DATE
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\* 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.

State whether he leaves a Will or not (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not received (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not received (c) as a separate document Not received

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.

Station and Date ..... Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

*[Handwritten Signature]*

For Officer i/c No 1 Infantry Section 2nd Echelon. General Headquarters

C.R. 3907

Extract from Casualties No, C. 1731 dated 31-10-18.

#3908 Pte. W. Brinton.

Killed in action 14-10-18.

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS



Cable Connection with all the World

C.R. 3907

## All Messages Sent are Subject to the Following Conditions:

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.

The N. P. T. shall not be liable to make 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.

The control of the N. P. T. over the Message shall be deemed to have entirely ceased for the purposes of these Conditions at any point where, in the course of the transit of the Message to its destination, it may be entrusted by the N. P. T. (and the N. P. T. shall have full power so to entrust the Message) for further transmission by or through any system, service, or line of Telegraph belonging to or worked by any administration or authority not controlled by the N. P. T. exclusively, although worked as part of or in connection with the Telegraphic system or service of the N. P. T.

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	Rcd	By	Sent by	Check

Dated **Nov. 4th, 1918**

To **Henry Burton, Bull's Cove, Burin**

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports **No. 3907, Private Thomas Brinton killed in action Oct. 14th**

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

**J.R Bennett**

Minister of Militia.

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

This Message is not to be delivered until Receiving Office notifies that Message to **Church of England**

**Minister or School Teacher Bull's Cove** has been received and acted upon

**Not to be transmitted**

C.R. 3907

June 14th. 1919.

Henry Brinton, Esq.

Bull Cove,

Burin.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed to inform you that information has been received of the burial place of your son, No. 3907 the late Private T. Brinton, who was killed in action 14/10/18.

This report states that he was buried near Ledeghem, 4½ miles N. of Menin.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement and in the added sorrow which the receipt of this information must entail.

Yours sincerely,

Lieut.  
Casualty Officer.

FAB/BC.

June 19, 1919

Henry Brenton,  
Durin,

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith cheque  
for \$57.24, Balance of estate of your late son,  
Etc. T. H. Brenton, due you as Administrator  
of his estate.

I am also enclosing Letters  
of Administration.

Yours truly,

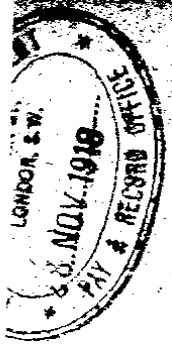
PAYMASTER & O I/C RECORDS

Dept. of Militia,  
St. John's.

*Burin* <sup>th</sup>  
*Aug. 25* 1921.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. *3907* Rank *Private*  
Name *Thomas Brinton*  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.  
*Henry Brinton* (Sgd.)  
*father* Relationship.  
Address *Burin*





Army Form B. 103.

**Casualty Form - Active Service.**

Regimental Number **CR 5907**

Rank **Plt** Regiment or Corps **Royal West Kent**  
 Surname **Dinton** Christian Name **Thomas**  
 Religion **CP** Age on Enlistment **18** years **—** months  
 Enlisted (a) **12-7-17** Terms of Service (a) **Duration** Service reckons from (a) **12-7-17**  
 Date of promotion to present rank **—** Date of appointment to lance rank **—**  
 Extended **—** Re-engaged **—** Qualification (b) **—**  
 Occupation **Printer** or Corps, Trade and Rate **Plt**  
 Signature of Officer **E. J. In Captain**

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.415, 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.415, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
			Embarked	<b>3 APR 1918</b>	
			Disembarked	<b>6 APR 1918</b>	
	<i>2/10/18</i>	<i>James Dint...</i>			
					For Officer No 4 Infantry Section 3rd Echelon. General Headquarters ✓

*JMS*

(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, Shoeing-Smiths, &c.  
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