

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

ATTESTATION OF

No. 1783

Name Leo Joseph Christopher Corps

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment

1. What is your name?	1. <u>Leo Joseph Christopher</u>
2. What is your full Address?	2. <u>St. Joseph's Salmonier</u>
3. Are you a British Subject?	3. <u>yes</u>
4. What is your Age?	4. <u>18</u> Years <u>3</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. <u>[Signature]</u> 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>

Leo Joseph Christopher 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.

[Signature] SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
[Signature] Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Leo Joseph Christopher 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 15th day of August 1911.
[Signature]
Signature of the Attesting Officer.

† 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 1911
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, the 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.

1783

L.J.Christopher was attested for General service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on ... August 23rd 1915
Regimental No 1783 was allotted to Pte. L.J.Christopher of

AUTHORITY:

Record Book,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

1783

extract from original roll retained at John's for persons,
1773/25.

1783 Pte. L. Christopher.

To be used only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname *Christopher*

OF

Christian Name *Leo*

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish

County *N. Hants*

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	on	day of	on	day of
Examined	20	Aug		191
	at <i>St Johns N. Hants</i>		at	
Declared Age	18	years		days
Trade or Occupation	<i>Fisher</i>			
Height	5	feet		inches
Weight				
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded...		120 1/2	lbs.
	Range of expansion...		33	inches
			1 1/2	inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
		1		
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	(a)		(a)	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to Cause Rejection	(b)		(b)	
Approved by (Signature)	<i>Samuel Patterson</i>			
(Rank)	Capt.			
	Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at	<i>St Johns</i>	at	
	on	20 day of <i>Aug.</i>	on	day of
		1915		191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	<i>1st N. Hants Regt</i>	Corps.	
	Regtl. No.	1783	Regtl. No.	
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
(Signature)	on	day of	on	day of
(Rank)		191		191

TO, - The Chief Paymaster,
Royal Newfoundland Regiment,
52 Victoria Street,
London, S.W.

Sir:-

Please charge the amounts set opposite my name to my account and
pay it to the N.W.F.A. "Prisoners of War Fund" in quarterly instalments
for the period of one year.
Terminating on 1st July 1918.

Regtl. No.	Rank.	Name	Amount	Signature.
1753	2/cpl	Pittman J	48 2.50	J. Pittman

I have the honour to be, Sir,
~~for the Committee,~~
Your obedient servant.

Date

12/7/18

J. Pittman

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT

Regiment or corps **ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.** Name **Christopher S.**
 No. **1483** Rank **Cpl.** on the **9th** of **Oct** 191**4**.
 Died **Will no. 591 at France.** on the **9th** of **Oct** 191**4**.
 Deserted at _____ on the _____ of _____ 191**4**.

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

 Commanding Squadron, Troop,
 Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

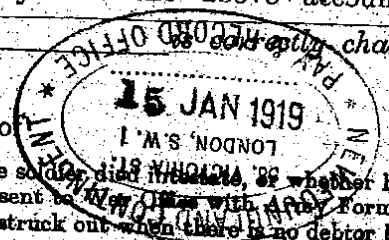
Form 1.

Date	Dr.	£ s. d.			Cr.	£ s. d.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month .. 9 .. 10 .. 14 ..	9	3	5
	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	9	3	5	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	9	3		£	9	3
				5				5

CHECKED
 P. J. J.

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ _____ is ~~entirely~~ chargeable against the Public.

Dated at _____ day of _____ 191**4**.



 Paymaster
 CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS

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

Regimental Number 1783

Company E

THE
1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

I hereby enlist for service at home or
Forces under the following conditions:



For the duration of the present war, or until my
discharge.

Subject to the Army Act, the King's Regulations,
and to such ordinances as may apply or may
be made to apply to the British Regular Army.

Subject to the Newfoundland Volunteer Act,
5 George V., Chapter IV.

Signed Leu Christopher

Witness A. J. Sumner

Dated at Newton on Ayre

8/4/1918

C.R. 1713

Extract from Colonel Hall of 1811. List, No. 2
from 1st Lt., Capt., to 1st Lt., R.S.P. Extracted
Washington, 25-5-13.

25-6-13

1783 L/Cpl. L.Christopher.

St. Joseph's, Sal.
June 1st/14

His Excellency
Sir W. E. Davidson

Your Excellency

Once again, I am
presuming to write you
re obtaining a furlough
for my son Corp. Leo
Christopher.

I have already
explained his age and
how long he has been
on active service etc.
to you and as he is
still under age, I am
extremely anxious to get
a furlough for him.

Will you kindly
do your best to have

my request sent to the
proper authorities and
let me know if it will
be possible to get leave
for him

I have the honor to
be

Your obedt servant
(Mrs) Kato Christopher

- ① Usual copy
 - ② hand transmission
- W. E. P.
5-5-17

Government House,

St. John's, Nfld.

9 June, 1917.

Dear Mrs. Christopher,

I have already written to the proper quarter regarding the granting of furlough to your son Corporal Leo Christopher.

I can only hope that my application will be favourably considered and that your son may be able to visit his home in Newfoundland.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Kate Christopher,

St. Joseph's,

Salmonier.

St Joseph's, Cal.
Sept 24/14

Dear Sir

I received a letter
from my son, 1483 Corp
Leo Christopher saying
he was trying for a
commission and consequently
he would have to withdraw
the allotment which
I receive from him.

I will not permit
this money to be withdrawn
as I need it too badly
and he is not eighteen
years old yet.

He is in France at
present and has been
there two years, but I am
unable to afford the with-
drawal of this allotment

I have the honour
to be

Yours very respy
Mrs Kate Christopher



H. Mays
Sept: 28th 1917

C.R. 3481

Hon. J. R. Bennett
Minister of Militia
St. John's

Sir:-

Mrs. Michael Christopher,
of Saluonier, St. Mays Bay,
desires me to write and ask
you if the allotment of money,
which she receives, shall
be continued, as her son,
No. 1783 Corp. Leo Christopher
1st Bn. Regiment - B.E.F., France,
has threatened to have it
discontinued.

Your obedt. Servant
H. Mays

C.R. 3491

Oct. 22nd 1917.

Wm. Hogan Esq.,
St. Marys.

No. 1783 Cpl. Leo Christopher.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of Sept. 28th I am instructed to say that a letter was recently forwarded to Mrs. Christopher of Salmonier St. Marys Bay, informing her that it rests entirely with Cpl. Christopher to continue or stop her allotment. If you should see Mrs. Christopher shortly you may explain to her that she would do well to represent her case to Cpl. Christopher. No compulsory stoppage of pay of the soldier has been made.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant


Major,

Dept. of Militia.

1783 CORP. LEO J. CHRISTOPHER.

C.R. 4690

EXTRACT OF CASUALTY LIST RECEIVED NOVEMBER 6, 1917.
MISSING OCTOBER 9TH.

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

Counter No. _____



Cable Connection with all the World

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.
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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 _____

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated

November 6, 1917.

To

Mr. Michael Christopher,
 St. Joseph's,
 Salmonier.

Regret to inform you that Record Office
 London, officially reports No. 1783, Corporal
 Leo J. Christopher, missing October ninth.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

A. J. B. BENNETT, R.A. SQUIRES

Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

5 Dartmouth Place
Dartmouth Road
Forest Hill
S. E. 23

Dec 27th 1917

To "The Canadian Record Office".

I am writing on behalf of the Family I should
be greatly obliged to you, if you could send me
any further news of -
1788,

Cpl. Leo Christopher

B. Coy,

1/2 Newfoundland Regt.
B. E. F.

France

who was reported missing Oct 9th. If you presume
he is a Prisoner of War, should be grateful if
you would favour me with a reply.

Yours Truly
A. Fisk.

NEWFOUNDLAND PROV. POST OFFICE
ST. JOHN'S
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ANCH.

I have had no letters at all returned.

A boy home on leave from France told a friend of mine that he had been in the last three drives with Les Christophes and that he was a prisoner of War.

I will enclose a stamped addressed envelope for reply.

Sorry for the trouble I am causing you.

✓ 8249 Yours truly,
29 DEC 1917
B. Mc Guigan.

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2+3 V

3/12/17 Jh

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

COPY OF WILL

OF

No. 1783. L/Cpl. L. Christopher

In event of my death I give the whole of my property and effects to my Mother Mrs. Michael Christopher, St. Joseph's Salmond Newfoundland.

L/Corp. Leo. Christopher.
1st. NFLD Regt.

Date 2/11/16.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY.

NEWFOUNDLAND
D. H. Marshall
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender

Address Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check
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Dated

May 9th, 1913

To

Michael Christopher St. Joseph's, Salmonier.

I regret to inform you Record Office, London reports to-day No. 1765, Genl. Leo Joseph Christopher previously reported missing October 9th now presumed dead May 7th.

J. B. Bennett

Act. Minister of Militia.

FOR TYPEWRITER

March 18th. 1920

From: The Paymaster
To: The Secretary, Board of Pension Commissioners

Re No. 1783. W. J. CHRISTOPHER

The amount paid in continuance of the
above man's allotment is \$504.70.

Major
Paymaster

IX-

May 3, 1920

From: Paymaster

To : Board of Pension Commissioners for Hfld.

Re #1783, W.J. Christopher

I have been directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 8th. (2067), enclosing cheque for \$504.70 being refund of amount paid in continuance of the above man's allotment, and to thank you for same.

Mapt.
For Paymaster

April 15, 1919

Mrs. Kate Christopher,
SALMONIER, St. Joseph's.
Nfld.

Dear Madam:

I enclose cheque for \$55.63, being balance
of estate of late Pte. L.J. Christopher, due you as Administratrix.

I also enclose Letters of Administration
(With Will annexed).

Yours truly,

LM/ -
Encl. 2

Capt.
Paymaster & C i/c Records.

A. C. R.

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

.....1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 1783 Rank Capt.
Name Leslie Christopherson
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

(Mrs) Michael Christopherson (Sgd.)

Mother Relationship.

Address St. Joseph's Salmonier St. Marys Bay
St. John's

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. 1783 Name: *Christophe*

To Certify that I have received the AB 64 of the above named soldier.

Date: *July 15 / 20*

Signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*

Place: *St. Just, St. Pierre*

N.B. For completion and return to the Department of Militia insert in corner of envelope "B 64"

[Handwritten Mark]

1921.

The accompanying **Victory Medal** and/or **British War Medal**
is/are forwarded herewith to

Mr. Michael Christopher (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 1783 Rank Cpl.

Name Leo J. Christopher Royal Nfld. Regt.
Nfld. Forestry Corps

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Medals.

Signature Mrs Michael Christopher (Mother)

Date Sept-27th

Address St Josephs. Salmoner St-Marys

[P.T.O.]

Casualty Form—Active Service.

1177

Regiment or Corps Newfoundland
 Regimental No. 1783 Rank Capt Name Christopher R
 Enlisted (a) 17.8.16 Terms of Service (a) war Service reckons from (a) _____
 Date of promotion to present rank } 15.3.16 Date of appointment to lance rank } 18.3.16 Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. } _____
 Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Date	Report From whom received	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. 36, or other official documents.
		Joined Battalion		12 JUL 1916	
	cc.	Promoted Coy	With 1st Coy	25.1.17	
	N.2. St. Hosp.	Ad. Myalgia	Unit	14.3.17	B 213. 17.3.17
	6.9. Hosp.	Ad. Do	Arriens	28.3.17	H.A. 8045
	2. Com. Depot	do	Rouen	1.4.17	H.A. 8145
	do	Transferred do	do	7.4.17	Memo. 16.7.17
	11. Com. Depot	Still a patient	11. Com. Depot	10.4.17	Memo. 9.7.17
	29.2. B. P.	Joined Base Depot	Bushy	16.7.17	Memo.
	do	Joined Base Depot	do	3.8.17	Now roll
	do			28 AUG 1917	B 213
	do				B 213

(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, Shoaming Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

W. P. Griffith & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4, 121.
(1948) W9075/24 1000m 6/15s # 56

Regiment of *1st Newfoundland*

Number of Sheet *1 of 2*

Regimental Number and Name

No. *1783* *L. Christopher*

Joined _____ Date _____

Joined _____ Date _____

Joined _____ Date _____

Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

Trade

Fisherman

Religion

R. C.

Place of Birth

St. Joseph's

Age on _____ years _____ months

18 years *3* months

Place and Date of Enlistment

St. Joseph's

Period of _____ with Colour _____ with Reserve _____

2 years *5* months

3 years

OFFENCE

Irregular Conduct.
attempting to bribe
Co. R. P.M.
Missing 9. 1947

Case of Drunkenness

Rank

Sergeant

Date of Offence

17.6.16

Place

St. Joseph's

Names of Witnesses

S. A. Reynolds
Comd.
Smith.

Punishment awarded

Severely Reproached

Date of award or order with trial

19/6/16

By whom awarded

Major Rendell

REMARKS

None

Army Form B. 121.

To be carried over

1783
JANUARY 19th 1929.

Mrs. Catherine Christopher,
St. Joseph's, Salmonier.

Dear Madam:

I am returning herewith Cemetery Register Form,
as you omitted to fill in space (A). This space is intended
for a Personal Inscription or Text not exceeding sixty six
letters, less the number of spaces between the words.

I should be glad if you would write the desired
Inscription and return same to this Department at your earliest
convenience.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.