

THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 5153 Name Mr. Costello Corps R.C.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment

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| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Mr. Costello</u> |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>Cape Breton</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>27</u> Months |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>Section Man</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, Mr. Costello 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.

Mr. Costello SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT

Signature of Witness

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Mr. Costello 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 answered as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at

on this 11th day of July 1918

Charles J. ...
Signature of 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 July 12/18 1918

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: vis:—(Name).....re-enlisted in the (Regiment).....on the (Date).....

C.R. 5753

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Depot Pt. John's #126

Dated July 12th 1918.

#5753 Pte. Wm. Costello.

ATTESTED FOR GENERAL SERVICE WITH THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND
REGIMENT FROM 8-8-18.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname: batel Christian Name: John

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE

Birthplace:—Parish	County: <u>Newfoundland</u>		SPECIAL RESERVE		REGULAR ARMY	
		on <u>11th</u> day of <u>June</u> 191 <u>8</u>	at <u>St. Johns</u>	on	day of	191
Examined						
Declared Age	<u>22</u> years	days		years	days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Section man (Railways)</u>					
Height	<u>5</u> feet	<u>4 3/4</u> inches		feet	inches	
Weight	<u>129</u>	lbs.			lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded	<u>35</u> inches			inches	
	Range of Expansion	<u>3</u> inches			inches	
Physical Development						
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left		
	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>				
When Vaccinated						
Vision	R.E.—V=	<u>6/6</u>	R.E.—V=			
	L.R.—V=	<u>6/36</u>	L.R.—V=			
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease						
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection						
Approved by (Signature)	<u>Sigs at Cape Breton</u>					
(Rank)						
Enlisted	at <u>St. Johns</u>		at			
	on <u>11th</u> day of <u>July</u> 191 <u>8</u>		on	day of	191	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps	Regtl. No.	Corps	Regtl. No.		
	<u>Royal Hqs. Regiment</u>	<u>5953</u>				
Transferred to						
Became non-effective by						
(Signature)	on	day of	191	on	day of	191
(Rank)						

[P.T.O.]

Medical Examination Field

1. Name *William Costello* Age (a) Declared *22*
(b) Apparent

2. Do you know of anything wrong with you? *no*

What severe illnesses have you had? *no*

*Comp. Yair
eyoo Blue.
marks*

3. Height *5ft 11 3/4* Weight *129*
4. Eyesight (a) Left *6/36* (b) Right *6/6*
5. Physical Defects (Examine after strenuous exercise)

5753

6. Examination of Lungs ✓
Measurement ✓ (a) Expiration *32* (b) Inspiration *35*

7. Examination of Heart ✓

8. Examination of Urine ✓

9. Examination of Mouth—(Defective Speech) ✓
Teeth
Throat
Nose
Ears—(Otorrhea)
(Deafness) ✓

10. Have you been successfully vaccinated, and when? *no.*

11. Name and address of next of kin *Father John Costello. Cape Breton*

REMARKS—

*Posterson
Archibald*

St. John's,

August 20th, 1918.

Captain Tait,

Deputy District Officer Commanding.

Dear Sir:

I am a native of Cape Broyle. I have no brothers at home except a brother 12 years of age.

As there is considerable work to be done in the way of closing off the fishing voyage, making provision for the Winter in the way of getting wood &c., I would most respectfully ask that leave of absence be given me until the 15th of October.

I reported for service on the 15th of July, was examined by the Doctor on that date and went to Barracks on the 15th of this month.

Yours respectfully,

5753 William Costello
per J.

granted leave
tell both in 1918

W. R. L. Costello

articles 11 2/8
referred 15 1/4

C.R. 5753

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Unit The Royal Eng. Regt.

St. John's, dated Aug. 22, 1918.

5753 Pte. Wm. Costello.

Granted leave without pay from 21-8-18 to 15-8-18.

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPH 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.

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.

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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	Recd	By	Sent	By	Check

Dated _____
To _____

From: Cape Breton

To: A. Montgomery

Private: Mrs Castello dies last night of
Pneumonia.

[Handwritten signature]

[Handwritten signature: Mrs Castello]

C.R. 5753

Extract from Daily Orders, Part 11, UNIT: The Royal Newfoundland
Regiment, dated October 31st. 1918.

Strength Decreases.

5753 Pte. W. Costello

Died at Cape Breyle 30/10/18. Struck off the strength from that
date.

October 31st/18
y cm

From: Officer Commanding,
Depot.

To D.O.C., Newfoundland,
Militia Department.

5753, Pte. W. Costello

Reference telegram forwarded today concerning the above named soldier stating that he had died of Pneumonia at Cape Broyle. His particulars are as follows:-

Pte. Costello enlisted July 11th and reported for duty at Barracks August 15th. He was granted Leave Without Pay from August 25th to Oct. 15th.

This is the first intimation received of his condition and we were not warned that he was ill

RHT/TJW

Captain,
O.C. Depot.

C.R. 5753
Cape Boyl
July 10/88

W. F. Rendell Lieut. Col
St John's

Dear Sir

In reply to yours of the 30th I beg to inform you that
Pte Wm Costello no 5753. died at his home at Cape Boyl
He was buried in the R.C. cemetery, Cape Boyl
No Headstone has been erected. I have no means
whatever of purchasing one

Yours faithfully
John Costello

C.R. 5753

Jan. 3rd. 1918

Mr. John Costello,
Cape Breyle.

Dear Sir:-

The Army Council have requested that they may be furnished with particulars of the Graves of all Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of His Majesty's Forces, raised in any part of the British Empire, who died in the Overseas Dominion during the present War. I should be glad, therefore, if you will inform me of the following particulars concerning No. 5753 Pte. William Costello:-

1. Location of Grave (for example: Methodist Cemetery, Carboneux)
2. Whether the Grave has been temporarily or permanently marked; that is, what kind of Headstone, if any, has been erected.

A reply to this letter at your earliest convenience would be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.

20
Allotment
& commencing
Aug 1/18
Cape Brayle
Deceased Jan 21st 1919

Department of Militia
St Johns

Dear sir I am writing to
say that I have now cows
or horse or any land and
my husband I may say is blind
as he have a sore eye for two years
and my little boy is only 14 yrs
old.

No 5153 William Castello was the
only report I had and if
you want to find the
particulars of my situation
in Cape Brayle you can in
quire from the Non Ser M J
Cashier and he will be able
to give you full particulars

with regard to a Headstone
My Child was a Roman
Catholic and we want
the head stone accordingly
any one in the Catholic Ceme-
tery at St Johns

of course I cannot say
much as I am to lonely to
say much

Thanking you for
your money and kind
letters I am
yours truly

Anne Costello

Cape Breton

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

Forms B 121 39.

Regiment of The Royal Newfoundland Signature of O. C. Company [Signature] Number of Sheet One

Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade
No.	<u>5453</u>	Age on	<u>22</u> years	<u>Section 4 (Reserve)</u>
Joined	<u>W. William Colwell</u>	Place and Date of Enlistment	<u>11-1-18</u>	Region
Joined		Period of	<u>3</u> years	<u>W.C.</u>
Joined		with Colours	<u>11/2</u> years	Place of Birth
Joined		with Reserve	<u>365</u> years	<u>Cape Breton</u>
Place		OFFENCE		Name of Witnesses
Date of Offence				
Rank				
Class				

Dies Incriminis Capt. Dwyer
10-30-11

Date of award or of order dispensing with trial

Punishment awarded

By whom awarded

REMARKS

To be carried over.

Cape Broyle

Dec 16
1920

Dear Sir C.K. 5753

just a few lines
to let you know I got
the medals that you sent
me in memory of my
Dear Boy I am more
than thankful to you
for sending them to me
I think is very kind
of you to send them
to me. I feel so
glad that you think
me wishing you
a happy Xmas

I remain yours
Joe plus Costello
Cape Broyle

Magistrate's Office.

Fernland.

5753

June 28th 1925

Lieut. Col. W. S. Rendell,

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of yours of 19th inst re headstone of grave of No. 5753 Pte. W. Costello of Cape Mudge. I should like you to inform me what is allowed for Contractor's bills in these cases before I proceed further in the matter. I expect also there will be some difficulty in procuring some one to do the job in Cape Mudge but will ascertain as soon as possible. I may mention Cape Mudge is eight miles from here and trust that the head stone was shipped there instead of here.

Yours very truly

R. Jardine Trebbaini

Sir

June 30 23

R. J. Freebairn Esq.
Stipendiary Magistrate,
Ferryland.

Dear Sir, I am in receipt of yours of 23rd inst. in re the headstone for the grave of No. 5753 Pte. W. Costello. I am not shipping the headstones until I learn that the work can be gone on with. I am afraid I am not able to give a figure for a contractor's bill, as the only cemeteries where graves have been already treated are in St. John's where large plots have been done and Naval & Military Plots. A half barrel of cement costs \$2.25 here, and \$2 or \$3 should purchase enough lumber for the frame, which, I presume can be had in Cape Broyle. I can arrange to send a man from here if no one is available for the work in Cape Broyle, but would prefer a man from that place.

The attached might be of use to the Contractor, and will give the measurements of the curb.

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Thanking you in anticipation of your kind attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

Lieut. Col.

August 20th., 1923.

Sergt. Major Gregory Greene,
Cape Breyle.

Dear Greg.,

In continuance of our conversation last evening
re the grave of the late 5753 Pte. W. Costello. I am shipping
this morning two barrels Cement and 250 ft. P. & T. Board to Cape
Breyle care of you. I feel sure that you are interested in this
work and that you will hand over this material to the workman and
will periodically visit the job as it progresses.

One of the most important factors in the construction
of the concrete curb is that the excavation is to the solid, as it's
durability depends whether the base is beyond the reach of frost.

Thanking you for your interest in this matter both
for the Department and the Community of Cape Breyle, I remain,
Yours very faithfully,

Sept. 22nd. 23.

Sjt.Mjr. Gregory L. Greene,
Cape Broyle.

Dear Greg.,

Kindly drop me a line advising progress re treatment of the grave of the late Private Costello.

We have been making considerable progress this summer with regard to War Graves both in the City and Outports, upwards of fifty graves having been completed. We have between sixty and seventy more to finish.

How is business in your line, I trust you are doing well. Business here is looking somewhat brighter lately and most people are of opinion that we have passed the low ebb mark.

Awaiting an acknowledgement at your convenience,

I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

Lieut.
Officer i/c Records.