

First Newfoundland Regiment

ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1587

Name in full Geo. Robert Curnew Age _____
 Address Burling Bay, Newfoundland
~~Married~~ Height 5 ft 5 in Weight 120
 Single
 Color Brown Hair _____ Eyes _____

Other distinguishing marks None

Nearest relative (Brother) Charles (E. Company)

Address _____

Dependents None

Occupation Labourer Present Wage 11.50 per day

Previous service _____

Decorations _____

General Remarks _____

Date of Enlistment May 31st 15

I, Geo Robert Curnew, 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.

Declared before me this 5 day
 of June 1915

[Signature]

C.R. 1587

Geo. R. Curnew was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on May 31st 1915.
Regimental No. 1587 was allotted to Pte G.R. Curnew.

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th, 1919.

1587

Extract from received bill marked St. John's for services, per
S.S. "Oligaria" June, 19. 1915. "P".

1587 Pte. CARMEN G.R.

Regimental Number

1587
1102

Company

THE
1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

I hereby enlist for service at home or abroad in the King's
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 *George R. Burness*

Witness *Robertson*

Dated at



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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Curnan OF Christian Name George Robert

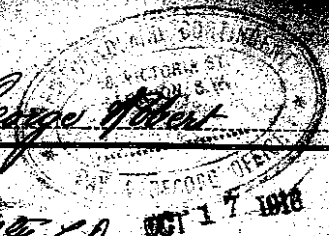


Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Curling Bay of Islands County Irish Free State

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>27th</u> day of <u>May</u> 191 <u>5</u>	on	day of	191
	at <u>St John's</u>	at		
Declared Age	<u>19</u> years	days	years	days
Trade or Occupation	<u>Lambman</u>			
Height	<u>5</u> feet	<u>5</u> inches	feet	inches
Weight		<u>120</u> lbs.		lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded	<u>32 1/2</u> inches		inches
	Range of expansion	<u>3 1/2</u> inches		inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated	<u>7000</u>			
Vision	R. E.—V=	<u>6/6</u>	R. E.—V=	
	L. E.—V=	<u>6/6</u>	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)	<u>Frederic W. Borden</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Lieut</u>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St John's</u>	at		
	on <u>31st</u> day of <u>May</u> 191 <u>5</u>	on	day of	191
	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Joined on Enlistment	<u>1st Ir. F. S. D.</u>	<u>1587</u>		
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
	on	day of	191	on
			day of	191
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

Table III.—Boards: Courts of Inquiry, Vaccination, Inoculations, &c.: Examinations for Field or Foreign Service, Extension, Re-engagement, or Prolongation of Service; Issue of Surgical Appliances; Particulars of Dental Treatment, &c.

Date	Brief Details, and Signature
<i>June 20th 15</i>	<i>1st Inoculation 500 Million</i> <i>J.</i>

TABLE IV.—SERVICE TABLE.

Station or Troopship	Date of Arrival or Embarkation	Date of Departure or Disembarkation.	Station or Troopship	Date of Arrival or Embarkation	Date of Departure or Disembarkation
<i>Sgt John J. F. L. D.</i>					

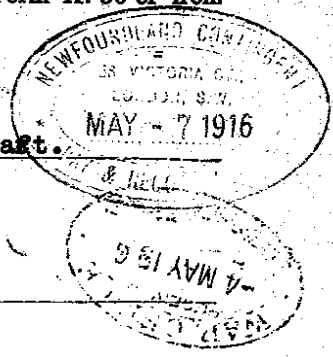
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FIELD SERVICE.

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 A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } 1st. NEWFOUNDLAND REGT. Squadron,
or } Troop, Battery
CORPS } or Company }

Draft.



Regtl. No. 1587 Rank Private

Name Curnew, George Robert

Died { Date April 24th., 1916.
Place France.
Cause of Death* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report B 213, 25/4/16.

By whom made Unit.

* 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 Not yet reported.
Date Not yet reported.
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) Not to hand.
(c) as a separate document Not to hand.

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 of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } *A. J. Clark* Capt. for Lt. Col.
Officer i/c Infantry Records, G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon, France.

Station and Date April 30th., 1916.

Counter No. _____

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

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.

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

John Leggo

Address

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check
		<i>John Leggo</i>			

Dated May 3, 1916.
 To Mr. ~~Charles~~ *John Leggo* Curnew,
 Curling,
 Bay of Islands.

*(Note address above is records
 to be sent to Rev. H. Petley)
 JRL*

Regret to inform you that Record Office, First Newfoundland Regiment, London, today reports that No. 1587, Private George Robert Curnew, was killed in action on April twentyfourth.

J. R. BENNETT,
 Colonial Secretary.

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

This message is not to be sent until Receiving Office notifies that message to Rev. H. Petley has been delivered and acted upon.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 1587

Extract from Casualties received from Pay & Record Office
London, May 5th, 1916.

1587 Pte. G. Curnew.

K in A. 24-4-16.

M

May 19, 1916.

Dear Sir,

It was with the greatest regret that the Government received a message from the Record Office, London, reporting that No. 1587, Private George Robert Curnew, your adopted son, had been killed in action on the 24th April last.

Permit me to tender you, on behalf of the Government as well as for myself, their sincerest sympathy at this time. While there is sadness at the loss of ones so dear to us, yet there is some comfort in the thought that he died fighting nobly on behalf of Righteousness, Truth and Justice. We are proud of our young men who so valiantly and readily obeyed the call of duty, and we respect highly the unselfish loyalty of the mothers and fathers who have so nobly given their boys for the cause of King and Country. He did his part gallantly and bravely, fell with his face to the foe and to-day he wears the soldiers Crown of Victory. His name will be inscribed upon the glorious Roll of those who have given their lives in this great cause and his name will be held in fragrant memory by all his fellow-countrymen.

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

With my fullest sympathy,

Believe me to be,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

1587 Curnew
Mr. John Leggo,
Curling,
Bay of Islands,

M

May 30, 1916.

Dear Sir,

I am to-day in receipt by mail of a report from the Record Office of the First Newfoundland Regiment, London, conveying the information that the death of your adopted son, No. 1587, Private George R. Curnew, which occurred on the 24th of April, and of which it has already been my painful duty to inform you, was caused by a bullet wound in the neck.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

1587 - Curnew

Mr. John Legge,
Curling,
Bay of Islands.

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13th November, 1916.

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I am now in receipt from the Pay and Record Office, London, of particulars of gravesites. No. 1587, Private G. Curnew, was buried on the 24th April, in Meanil Ridge Military Cemetery.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. John Leggo,
Curling.

1587 Curnew

Curling

Mar 10th / 67

Hon^{ble} J R Bennett

Hon Sir

I have been in receipt of a letter from you this four or five months conveying information relative to our adopted boy. Private George R Curmeu's grave which letter through absence from home and neglect I failed to acknowledge before.

Both my wife and myself are very glad to know he was well cared for and was properly buried which I know is sometimes difficult under the circumstances in which they die. We miss him very much but it is comforting to know he died honorable and in defence of his country.

Yours very truly
J. Legge.

Burling

Dear Sir

In some way, going to the post
I lost the forms regarding our
boy's grave. Thinking there
would not be time to get another
copy, as mails move very slow,
I ^{have} given you particulars as nearly
as possible which I think you
can copy on proper form.

Yours truly
John Leggo.

This is in place of form.

Surname. — Curnew.
C. Name. — George Robert
Regiment. — Royal Newfoundland
Rank. — Private
Number. 1587. Date of death Apr. 24/16
Place of death France
Nature of death KIA
Age 20
Father's Name — John
Mother's " — Elizabeth
Place of birth Flowers Cove.
Age — 19 years.

Adopted at seven years old by John Alex and Sarah Leggo.

Inscription. Greater love hath no man than this
A St John xv-13th

B Put Cross, as I think it more appropriate

John A. Leggo.

Copy.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 1st. Newfoundland

Regimental No. 1587 Rank Pte Name G. Curnew

Enlisted (a) 5/7/15 Terms of Service (a) Duration Service reckons from (a) 5-7-15.

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

Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 86, 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				
25/4/16	Unit	Embarked Southampton	28-3-16		
		Disembarked ROUEN.	30-3-16		
		Bullet wound in neck	24-4-16	In the field	
		Killed in action.		France	B 213.
(Sgd.) A.E. Clark Capt. for Lt.Col., Officer i/c Infantry Records, 3rd. Echelon, E.E.F.					

G.H.Q.,
30/4/16.

(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 Coach, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

.....1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of ~~services~~ of
the late No. 1587 Rank Plt.
Name Geo. R. Curnew
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Ex Sgt Geo Curnew (Sgd.)

Brother Relationship.

Address 60 Pleasant Street St John

SEP 21 1921

1921.

The accompanying **Victory Medal** and/or **British War Medal**

is/are forwarded herewith to

Constable G. Gurnew (Brother)

in respect of his service as No. 1587 Rank Pte.

Name George R. Gurnew Royal Nfld. Regt.
~~Nfld. Forestry Corps.~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Medals - on my Brother
on Sept 20th 1921

Signature Chas Gurnew

Date Sept 21 1921

Address 60 Pleasant Street St Johns

[P.T.O.]

1587

Curling

Feb 20th 1920

Mr. W. F. Rendell

Dear Sir

I am much pleased to inform you that I received the Memorial Scroll in memory of our boy who lost his life in the great war, and also the Kings message,

Thanking you

I am yours truly
John A. Legge

(1587) (Business)
Burdett
1335
Chas. Currier
Cross Pond Rd

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

W. F. Griffith & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4
 (538) W1887/604 400m. 2/15s-1 83 56

Army Form B. 121.

Number of Sheet **1**

Regiment of **1st West Yorks**

Signature of O. C. Company **J. G. Bennett**

2-Lieut

Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

No. **1597**
 Regimental Number and Name **Lums Gue**
 Date **2/15**
 Date **2/15**
 Date **2/15**
 Date **2/15**

Enlistment
 Age on **18** years **7** months
 Place and Date of Enlistment **1st Yorks 2/15**
 Period of { with Colonel **2329** years
 { with Reserve **years**

Trade **Soldier**
 Religion **Church of England**
 Place of Birth **Flowers above**

Names of Witnesses
Lieut Mellor
Capt. Corbridge

By whom awarded
Capt. A. Stoye
Lieut. Bennett

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order directing with trial	REMARKS
Stok Murton	28.7.15 23.2.16	Pte		Inattention on 230 Parade Absent from Church Service Killed in Action 24.7.16	Lieut Mellor Capt Corbridge	20 days C.C. Stok G. D.	29.7.15 23.2.16	

To be carried over