

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 2538 Name Joseph Dobbin Corps

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment

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| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Joseph Dobbin</u> |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>Bell Is</u> |
| | <u>Wabana Mines</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>19</u> Years <u>4</u> Months |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>miner</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, Joseph Dobbin, 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.

Joseph Dobbin, SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

W. D., Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I,, 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 19 day of Apr 1916.

Signature of Attesting Officer W. D. ...

†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 compiled with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the:

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

Date 1916

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, viz:—(Name) re-enlisted in the (Regiment) on

CF 2534

Jos. Dobbin was attested for General
Service with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT ON April 18th 1916.
Regimental No. 2538 was allotted to Ptes J. Dobbin.

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia.

March 25th 1919

C.R. 2538

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's for Overseas,
per S.S. Sicilian. July 19, 1916.

2538 Pte. Dobbin J.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Debbin OF Christian Name Joseph

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish _____ County _____

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>18</u> day of <u>April</u> 191 <u>6</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>6</u>	
	at <u>St John's</u>		at _____	
Declared Age	<u>19</u> years <u>4</u> months <u>13</u> days		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Miner</u>		_____	
Height	<u>5</u> feet <u>6</u> inches	_____ feet _____ inches	_____ feet _____ inches	_____ feet _____ inches
Weight	<u>131</u> lbs.	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <u>30 1/2</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of expansion... <u>1 1/2</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development	_____		_____	
Vaccination Marks	Arm	_____	Arm	_____
	Number	_____	Number	_____
When Vaccinated	_____		_____	
Vision	R.E.—V= <u>4/20</u>		R.E.—V=_____	
	L.E.—V= <u>6/18</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>W. J. Paterson</u>		_____	
(Rank)	<u>Major</u> Medical Officer.		_____ Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St John's</u>		at _____	
	on <u>18</u> day of <u>April</u> 191 <u>6</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>6</u>	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	<u>12th Reserve Regt</u>	Corps.	_____
	Regtl. No.	<u>2538</u>	Regtl. No.	_____
Transferred to	_____		_____	
Became non-effective by	_____		_____	
(Signature)	on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>6</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>6</u>	
(Rank)	_____		_____	

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,
ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE.

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18 JAN 1918

France

112 - 1718

to
Pay Master
A/ld. Regt.

Will you please reduce
my allotment to fifty cents
from date on which you
receive this.

Kindly oblige

2538 Pte. Joseph Dobbin
att. 88th Trench Mortar Battery
B. E. F.

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** Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company }
 Regimental No. **2538,** Rank **Lance-Corporal.**
 Surname **Dobbin.** Christian Names **J.**

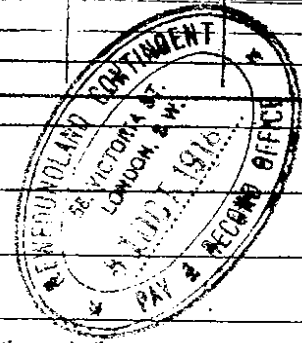
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To	No.	DATE
M. O. M.		
Ordnance Dept. Bn.		
2ND. BR.		

Died { Date **18-10-18.** Place **France or Belgium.**
 Cause of Death* **Died of wounds received in action.**

Nature and Date of Report **W 3745, d/20-10-18.**

By whom made **P.O. 44th C.O.S.**

* 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 } **25-10-18.** Signature of Officer in charge of Section }
 Adjutant-General's Office at the Base }

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

C.R. 2508

Extract from Orders by Lt. ? for Lieut. Col., commanding
1st., Battalion of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment dated
12-10-18.

#2538 Pte. J. Dobbin.

APPOINTED LANCE CORPORAL. 11-9-18.

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

Cable Connection with all the World. *CA 2538*

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	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check
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Dated Oct 18th, 1918

To David Dobbin Webana Mines Bell Island

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No. 2538, Private Joseph Dobbin at 44th Casualty Clearing Station dangerously ill Oct 14th suffering from G.S.W. legs

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

J.R. Bennett

Cgo Dept of Militia

Minister of Militia.

FOR TYPEWRITER

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Bell Island Oct-21st 1918

Hon. J. R. Bennett

Dear Sir:-

Concerning your letter
informing us that my brother Pte Joseph Dohlin
2838 had been wounded and dangerously ill.
I wish to state that my brother's Regimental
Number is 2538. While this may not amount
to anything I thought it better to let you
know that there had been a mistake in his number.

I am Sir

yours Sincerely

Thos J Dohlin

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPH



Cable Connection with all the World

C.R. 253

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____ Address _____ Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated Oct 26th, 1918

To David Dobbin, Nabana Mines, Bell Island.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No. 2538, Private Joseph Dobbin died of wounds at 41th Casualty Clearing Station Oct 18th

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 Roman Catholic Priest or School Teacher Bell Island. has been received and acted upon

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 2538

June 10th 1919.

David Dobbin, Esq.,

Havana,

Bell Island. C.B.

Dear Sir:-

It is my regrettable duty to have to forward to you by Registered mail One parcel containing some effects which belonged to your late son No. 2538 Private J. Dobbin of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

I enclose herewith receipt, will you kindly sign same and return to this Department at your earliest convenience.

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

Yours sincerely,

Lieut.
Casualty Officer.

ENC.

201-16-17

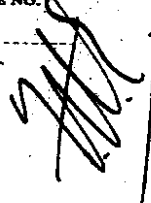
CR. 2538

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO
DEPT. OF MILITIA
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

June 10th 1919.



RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA:

1. Parcel

Containing the effects of ^{my} ~~your~~ late son #2538,
Pte. J. Dobbin.

Signed. *David Dobbin*.....

Date. *16 June*.....

No. of Paper 1441

PERSONAL EFFECTS.

Name Dobbin J.

C.R. No. 2538

Rank Lance Corporal

Regiment ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

Article	Where stored	Notified by
1 Cotton Bag containing:- Letters, Photos, ✓	✓	
Wallet, ✓ Relig. book, ✓ Photo Case, ✓ 4 Coins, ✓ Cig. Case ✓	✓	
	Final disposal	
	C.K. ✓	

Remarks :- Casualty Advice :- Deceased 18/10/18

Next of Kin :- Father :- David Dobbin
Wabana,

Bell Island
C.B.

November 11, 1919

David Dobbin, Esq.,
Wabana Mines,
HELL ISLAND.

Dear Sir ;

I enclose herewith cheque for
\$102.09, balance of estate of late Lance/Corp.
J. Dobbin, Royal Newfoundland Regiment, due you
as Administrator of his estate.

I also enclose Letters of Ad-
ministration.

Yours truly,

Major
PAYMASTER & C 1/c RECORDS

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

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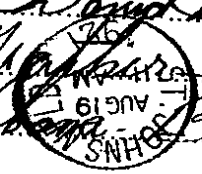
I beg to acknowledge receipt of
 Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
 the late No. 2538 Rank L Capt.
 Name Joseph W. Robbin
 Royal Newfoundland Regt.

David Robbin (Sgd.)

Relationship.

Address

West Water Bell Island
C. B.



Aug 25th 1921.

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

L/Cpl. Joseph Dobbin

in respect of his service as No. 2538 Rank R/Cpl/

Name Joseph Dobbin Royal Nfld. Regt.
Nfld. Forestry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Recd J. Dobbin

Signature David Dobbin

Date Aug 5

Address Bell Island Mines

[P.T.O.]

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regimental Number **9538**

Rank **Pte.** Regiment or Corps **2nd Newfoundland Regt. R.** Surname **Dubin** Christian Name **Joseph.** **1845**
 Religion **R. C.** Age on Enlistment **19** years **4** months.
 Enlisted (a) **18/4/16** Terms of Service (a) **War** Service reckons from (a) _____
 Date of promotion to present rank _____ Date of appointment to lance rank _____
 Extended { _____ } Re-engaged { _____ } Qualification (b) _____
 or Corps Trade and Rate _____

Signature of Officer i/c Records.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 34, 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. 213, Army Form A. 34, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
			Embarked Southampton		
			Embarked Disembarked		11 OCT 1916
			Joined Battalion		22 OCT 1916
					With 29th Div.
27/11/18	88 TMB	Leave to a R. Aid to TMB		25/10/18	Order 50C
17-9-18	J. Mear	Reg. unit		26-12-18	Roll.
		W. Lane Corporal		26-4-18	B215
20/10/18	44 CES	D. Cooke		14/10/18	308186
	44 CES	Dud. of W. and		18/10/18	W3745 ✓

(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, Sholing-Smith, &c.

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

W. P. Crutch & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4.
 (Tel) W5617124 100m 4/line 35 56

Number of Sheet First
 Signature of C. O. Company Alldredge
[Signature]

Regiment of 1st Newfoundland Land.
 Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or order of order of discharge with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS
No.	Name	Age on	years	months					
2538	<u>Dobbin, J.</u>	19	4	4	Miner				
Joined	Date	Place and Date of Enlistment		Religion	{ with Colours 2 184 years. { with Reserve 3 1/2 years.	OFFENCE <i>Deed of Honour 15/10</i>			
Joined	Date	Apr. 18-16.		Roman Catholic					
Joined	Date	Place of Birth		St. John's					
Joined	Date	Newfoundland.							
Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness						

To be carried over

Army Form B. 121.