

First Newfoundland Regiment

ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1550

Name in full William Gray Age 23

Address Charleston, Bonaville Bay

~~Married~~
Single Height 5ft 7 in Weight 136

Color Flesh Hair Light Eyes Grey Brown

Other distinguishing marks

Nearest relative Father John

Address Charleston

Dependents

Occupation Fisherman Present Wage 1400

Previous service 4 years R.N.I.

Decorations

General Remarks

Date of Enlistment May 17th 1915

I, William Gray, 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.

P. Lamson

Declared before me this 22 day

of May 1915

J. R. Runn

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.

Applicable to all ranks. To correspond with entries on the Medical History Sheet.

Reg. No. 1914

Name William Fry
 Apparent age 23 years 0 months. Height 5 feet 7 inches.
 Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded _____ inches.
 Range of expansion _____ inches.
 Distinctive marks Color: Fresh, Hair: Light, Eyes: Grey Brown.

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin John Fry, Charleston, Bonaville Bay, Nfld.
 | Relationship Father.

Particulars as to Marriage.

(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow. (b) Place and date of marriage.			(d) Signature of Officer verifying entry from certificate.
(a)	(b)	(c)	
			Verified from certificate.

Particulars as to Children.

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth	(d)
		Verified from certificate.

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES.

Corps in which served	Regt. or Depot	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Re-serve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					years	days	years	days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>Mar 17/15</u>									
Joined <u>1st Bn. 1st Regt.</u> on <u>May 27/15</u> Embarked for <u>U.K. 17/6/15</u>									
Embarked for <u>B.E.F. via Egypt 13/3/16</u> joined <u>Batt in the Field 8/4/16</u>									
<u>H.A. July 1916 (permanent home)</u>									
<u>Buried - at Anchoyillers, 2 1/4 mi. S of Helles, 7 1/4 mi. S of West.</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above									
Total Service towards Engagement to <u>1-7-16</u> (date of discharge) <u>1</u> years <u>46</u> days									
" " Pension " " " " " " " "									

C.R. 1550

William Fry was attested for General service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on May 17th 1915
Regimental No 1550 was allotted to Pte. **William Fry**

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

C.R. 1550

Extract from Medical Hall embarked St. John's for Overseas, per
S.S. "Bulgarian" June 191.1911. "P"

1550 Pte. Fry Wm.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Wiley OF Christian Name William

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Charleston B.B. County A. F. L. D.

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>21st</u> day of <u>May</u> 1915		on _____ day of _____ 191	
	at <u>St. Johns</u>		at _____	
Declared Age...	<u>23</u> years _____ days		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation...	<u>Fisherman</u>		_____	
Height	<u>5</u> feet _____ inches		_____ feet _____ inches	
Weight	_____ lbs. <u>136</u>		_____ lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <u>38</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of expansion... <u>2 1/2</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development...	_____		_____	
Vaccination Marks	Arm	_____	Right	Left
	Number	<u>1</u>	_____	_____
When Vaccinated	<u>1912</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) <u>Contraction Little Finger</u>		(b) _____	
Approved by (Signature)	<u>J. W. Boyden</u>		_____	
(Rank)	<u>Lieut.</u>		_____	
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St. Johns</u>		at _____	
	on <u>17th</u> day of <u>May</u> 1915		on _____ day of _____ 191	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps. <u>1st A.F.L.D.</u>	Regtl. No. <u>1550</u>	Corps.	Regtl. No.
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
<p>May 25th 15 June 7th 15 - 25th 15</p>	<p>1st Inoculation 500 Million 2nd " " 1000 Vaccinated at Sea</p>
<p>1.7.16</p>	<p>Killed in Action France <i>[Signature]</i></p>

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
<p><i>[Signature]</i></p>					

Regimental Number 1550

Company F

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 H. Perry

Witness W. Wayne 2nd Lt

Dated at _____



191 _____

PAY VOUCHER

10 July 1916

Voucher No. 10

NON-REFLECTIVE ACCOUNT



Regiment or corps

1st Newfoundland

No. 1550

Rank Private

Name A. Gray

Died (a) Intestate

at France

on the 1st of July 1916

Deserted at

on the of 191

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

Commanding Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

Form I.

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month	12	16	18 8
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay 50 days at 1 ¹⁰ from 13/5 to 17/6			
	31 5 1916	1	10	6	Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay			
	26 6		10	6	days at from to			
			1	1	Messing allowance days at			
					from to			
	Attachment 50 days @ 50 ⁰⁰	1	5	7 9	Kit allowance			
	Consolidated stoppage				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	1	17	11	Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
		1	18	4 8	Deferred Pay or Gratuity			
					Balance due to the Paymaster	1	18	4 8

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 17 11 is correctly chargeable against the Public.

Dated at

This day of 1916

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.

ORIGINAL.

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 or CORPS } 1st. Newfoundland Regt. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } D Company

Regtl. No. 1550 Rank Private

Name Fry, W.

Died { Date July 1st., 1916. Place France. Cause of Death* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Burial Report.

By whom made Rev. C. Mayne, att. 36th. Brigade.

* 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 Auchonvillers, 2 3/4 miles S. of Hebuterne, 7 1/2 miles N. of Albert. Date July 1st., 1916. By whom reported Rev. C. Mayne.

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) do (c) as a separate document do

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. Clerk Capt. for Lt. Col., Officer i/c Infantry Section, 3rd. Echelon, B. E. F.

Station and Date 28/7/16z

C.R. 1510

Extract from Casualties C.914 5/8/16, 1st Bn. Royal Wfld.
Regt, dated Aug. 9th. 1916.

1550 Pte. W. Fry

K.in A. 1/7/16. Reptd. Buried 1/7/16 by Rev. C. Mayne, Attohd.
86 Bde.

Counter No. _____

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



Cable Connection with all the World

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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 Fry Address _____

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated 4th August, 1916.

To Mr. John Fry,
Charleston, B.B.

Regret to inform you Record Office First Newfoundland Regiment London reports No. 1550 Private William Fry Killed in Action July first.

J.R.BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R.

1850.

G.

8th August, 1916.

Dear Sir,

It was with the deepest regret that the Government received a cable from the Record Office, London, intimating that your dear son, Private William Fry, had been killed in action on the 1st July last.

On behalf of the Government, as well as for myself, I desire to express to you the sincerest sympathy in your time of sorrow. But though we feel the parting and though the heart is heavy with its loss, yet it is a glorious thing to think that your gallant boy early responded to the call of duty and made his stand for the establishment of Righteousness, Truth and Liberty upon the earth. We are all proud of our brave and noble boys but no less do we esteem the unselfish fathers and mothers who so willingly gave their boys when the call of duty came. Though your boy has laid down his earthly weapons he now wears the Soldier's Crown of Victory and his name is inscribed upon the glorious Roll of Honour and will be held in fragrant memory by all his fellow countrymen. When the end of this War comes and an honourable and abiding Peace will have been established, it will be your proud thought that your dear boy did to the utmost of his ability to bring about such result. I trust that the Great Father may give you of his love and comfort at this time.

Believe me to be,

Yours sympathetically,

Mr. John Fry,
Charleston, B.B.

Colonial Secretary.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINENT

INVENTORY of EFFECTS of

No. 1550 Pte. W. Gray deceased.

EXTRACT from A.F. B. 2090A, dated _____

CAUSE of DEATH Heart

DATE 1/7/66 PLACE Framers

WILL: (a) in Pay Book NO

(b) in Small Book _____

(c) Separate document _____

NEXT of KIN: John Gray

Relationship Wife

Address Clear Lake Town

B.B.

Particulars

1 Envelope

Photos

Letters

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. 1550, Private W. Fry, was buried on the 1st July, by Rev. C. Mayne, at Auchonvillers, 2½ miles S. of Hebuterene, 7½ miles N. of Albert.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. John Fry,
Charleston.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 1st Newfoundland

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Regimental No. 1550 Rank Pte Name William Fry

Enlisted (a) 17.5.15 Terms of Service (a) War Service reckons from (a) 17.5.15

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. 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.
Date	From whom received				

		<u>Desembled at Marseilles</u>	<u>3.4.16</u>		
	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Joined Battalion</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>8.4.16</u>	<u>B 213</u>
	<u>Rev E Mague</u>	<u>Killed in Action</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>1.7.16</u>	<u>grave Report.</u>
		<u>Anchor works 2 3/4 miles S. of Hebuterne</u>			<u>1/4 mile N. of Albert</u>
					<u>A. E. G. Clark</u> <u>Capt</u>
					<u>for 6th Infantry Record</u> <u>G.H.2. 3rd Echelon</u> <u>B. E. Z</u>

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

July 6th.1917.

Mr. John Fry,

Charlestown, B.B.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith cheque for \$76.62,
being the balance of the estate of your late son,
No. 1550, W. Fry.

Yours truly,

Lieut.
D/Paymaster.

Dept. of Militia,
St. John's.

August 15th 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 1550 Rank PL
Name Wm Fry
Royal Newfoundland Regt.



John Fry (Sgd.)
Father Relationship.

Address Charleston, B. Bay

Sept 7th 1921.

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

John Fry (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 1550 Rank Private

of the William Fry (DEC) Royal Nfld. Regt.
1st Bn. Forestry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received from Dep't. Militia

Signature John Fry

Sept 7th 1921

Address Southern Bay B.C.

[P.T.O.]

C.R. 1550

Charleston

Bonavista Bay

Deut Col Rendell

Sir

as my son pte William Fry
No 1556 first Newfoundland
Regiment enlisted at St
Johns May 17th 1915
was killed in France
July 1st 1916.

I am writing to ask you
if there was any gratuity
money allowed him and
if I should get it.

as I learned from men
that had there sons
killed in the war that
they got there gratuity
money if it is right that
I should get it please
let me no.

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I am sending it by my
son

Thanking you for the
same.

Yours truly

John Fry

Charleston

Bonavista Bay

Verbal reply

Let Rendell

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Receipt for Army Book 64

NO.....*1550*.....Name.....*Fry*.....

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

Date.....*July 21st*.....*1920*.....

Name.....*John Fry*.....

Place.....*Charleston*.....

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

C.R. 1550

Charleston
July 21st 1920

To Lieut. Col. Rendell
St. Johns

Reciv'd the photograph
of No 1550 pts. W. Fry today
John Fry

7/21st/20

Charleston

Feb 16th/20

Lieut-Col Rendell
St-Johns

R. 1550

Dear Sir:-

I now acknowledge
your letter dated Nov 24th 1919
with memorial scroll,
rec'd by me Feb 12th 1920
please accept my sincerest
Thanks for same

yours sincerely
John Fry

C.R. 1550

December 29th 1919.

John Fry, Esq.,
McCallum, Fortune Bay.

Dear Sir:-

Information has been received from the
Pay & Record Office, London, regarding the location of
the Grave of your son the late No. 1550, Pte. W. Fry
as follows:

Plot 2 - Row E, Grave No. 2 Auchonvillers
Military Cemetery, France.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in
the loss that you have sustained and in the renewed sorrow
that the receipt of this news must entail.

Yours Faithfully,

2/Lt.

CASUALTY OFFICER.