

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

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A

ATTESTATION OF

No. 2949

Name Bruce William Hardy Corps

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment

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| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Bruce William Hardy</u> |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>Little Bay West</u>
<u>Fortune Bay</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>20</u> years <u>4</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. | { Name
Corps <u>Yes</u> |
| 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, Bruce William Hardy, 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.

8. July 10th/16. Bruce W. Hardy SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
Charles Aye Signature of Witness.

Bruce William Hardy OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Bruce William Hardy, 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 10th day of July, 1916.

Signature of Attesting Officer Charles Aye Capt

†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.....191..... } Approving Officer.
Place..... }

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

C.M.

2949

Ernest W. Harding was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on ... July 10th. 1916
Regimental No. 2949 was allotted to Pte E.W. Harding

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Spawling

OR
Christian Name Ernest

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish _____ County _____

	SPECIAL RESERVE		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>10</u> day of <u>July</u> 19 <u>16</u> at <u>St John R.F.C.D</u>		on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u> at _____	
Declared Age...	<u>20</u> years <u>4 mo</u> days <u>Traberman</u>		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation....	<u>Traberman</u>		_____	
Height	<u>5</u> feet <u>9 1/4</u> inches		_____ feet _____ inches	
Weight	<u>118</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	
Chest Measurement {	Girth when fully expanded... <u>34</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of expansion... <u>2</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development...				
Vaccination Marks {	Arm _____		Arm _____	
	Number _____		Number _____	
When Vaccinated				
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>Lamm Patterson</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Major</u>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St John R.F.C.D</u> on <u>10</u> day of <u>July</u> 19 <u>16</u>		at _____ on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps. <u>1st Bedford Regiment</u>	Regtl. No. <u>2949</u>	Corps. _____	Regtl. No. _____
Transferred to..				
Became non-effective by.				
	on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>		on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	

III—Boards, Courts of Inquiry, Vaccination, Inoculation, Foreign Service, Extension, Re-engagement, or Resumption of Service, Medical Appliances, Particulars of Dental Treatment, etc.

Date	Brief Details, and Signature
28-7-16	1 st Inoculation <i>LP</i>
3-8-16	2 nd " <i>LP</i>
9-8-16	3 rd " <i>LP</i>
30-8-16	Vacc. <i>LP</i>
26-10-16	Dental treatment completed. <i>J.Y.W.</i>
13-11-16	Fit for Foreign Service. <i>J.Y.W.</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

DUPLICATE
MAIL COPY

Army Form O. 1625

PAY LIST.

191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or ~~ROYAL~~ NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

No. **2948** Rank **Private** Name **E. W. Harding,**

Died^(a) Intestate at **France** on the **14** of **April** 191 **8.**

Deserted at **MISSED 17-11-17.** on the of 191 .

PRESUMED DEAD 17-11-17

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

(Commanding Squadron, Troop,
Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

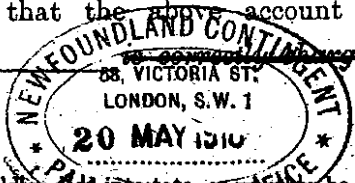
Form 1.

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month - 14/4/17	6	14	3
	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							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	6	14	3	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	6	14		£	6	14
				3				3

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to **16/5/18** and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.

CHECKED,
[Signature]
16/5/18

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 6 14 3 is a non-chargeable account against the **NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,**



[Signature]
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS.
Paymaster.

Dated at this day of 191

(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.

C.R. 2949

Extract ed Nominal Roll Draft. (All Ranks) to 1st
Bn. B.E.F. Embarked Southampton 30-11-16.

2949 Pte. E.W.Harding.

C.R. 2949

Extract of Cablegram received from Pay & Record
Office, London, dated May 13, 1917.

#2949 Pte. A. J. Harding, D. Co.,

Reported Missing April 14th.

May 13, 1917.

Mr. David Harding,

Little Bay, F.B.

No. 2949, Private

Ernest W. Harding, missing April fourteenth.

Little Bay

Via Harbut

Aug 13th 1947

Dear Sir I am writing to you
to know if you could give me
any information about my bear boy

what was missing April 14 we havent
heard a word from him we dont know
what to think of him where he is in
Germany prisoner or not I would like
to no where my bear boy is

Private E W Harding No 2949

Please answer and let me no what
you think of him I would like to no

and Oblige Yours

Mrs David Harding

17th August, 1917.

Dear Madam,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 13th instant, asking for some information with respect to your son, No. 2949, Private E. W. Harding, who was reported Missing April 14th. I very much regret that no further information has come to hand concerning him.

If at any time news of him is received, I shall be glad to immediately forward it to you.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. David Harding,
Little Bay.

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Little Bay Nfld

Feb 11th 1920

Hon Minister Melita

St John's Nfld

Dear Sir

My son no 2949
Pte E Standing was reported
Missing in France April
14th 1917. and I have
not received any of
his personal effects, I
understand from
returned soldiers that
there should be some
money due to him
which I suppose should
be paid to me his
mother. He left an
allowment of 60¢ per
day. Hoping to hear

you

Yours truly

Mr Phoebe Harding

40⁶⁶ ^{see} bal
please apply to M. of J. offer

March 6, 1920

Mrs. Mabel Harding,
Little Boy.

Dear Madam:

In reply to your letter of Feb. 11th. I beg to advise you that the balance of your late son's estate, is at present in the hands of the Minister of Justice and in order to hurry matters along, I would suggest that you apply to him, and Letters of Administration will be taken out.

Yours truly,

Capt.
For Paymaster

LM-

Payable to David Harding, adm

ACCOUNT	<i>Ctates</i>		DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA
CHK NO.	<i>595</i>	LS	Regimental Pay Branch.
INL LEDGER	<i>87</i>		
PAY LEDGER	<i>66</i>		
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PAY VOUCHER

Sept 22, 1921

RECEIVED from the Royal Newfoundland Regiment
 the sum of *Forty* Dollars
 on account of *Ct. C.W. Harding #2948*

J.C.R.

Sept. 24th, 1921.

David Harding, Esq.,

Little Bay, F.B.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith cheque for \$40.66, being the balance of the Estate of the late Ernest W. Harding, due you as Administrator. I also enclose Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,

Major
Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

Encl's. 2.

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

..... July 15^{can} 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 2949 Rank *Sergeant*
Name *Wm. E. Harding*
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

David Harding (Sgd.)

Phoebe Harding Relationship.

Address *P. M. Little Bay West*

Sept. 3 1921.

The accompanying Victory Medal and/or British War Medal

is/are forwarded herewith to

Mr. David Harding (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 2949 Rank Pte.

Name E.W. Harding (D) Royal Nfld. Regt.
Nfld. Forestry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received October 10th 1921

Signature David Harding

Date October 12th 1921

Address Little Bay West.

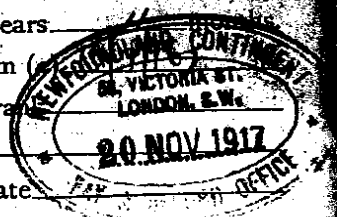
[P.T.O.]

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regiment

Rank Pte Surname Harding Christian Name E. W. 2111
 Religion Angl. Age on Enlistment 20 years
 Enlisted (a) Stephens Terms of Service (a) Duration Service reckons from (b) _____
 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 R. 218, Army Form A. 36, 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. 218, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked Embarked ...	St. Hampton	30 NOV 1916	
		Disemb. Disembarked ...	France	1 DEC 1916	
	<u>Unit</u>	Joined Battalion	<u>France</u>	<u>12/12/16</u>	<u>B 213</u>
			With SATT	23. 1. 17	
15 APR 1917			<u>France</u>	<u>1 APR 1917</u>	<u>B 213</u>
			<i>Signature</i>		

(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, Shoeing-Smith, &c.

[P.T.O.]

Little Boy ^{that}
C.R. 294 ^{with} ~~that~~ ^{that}

Dear Sir
as I saw in
the Evening Herald of the
Graves of The Bear Boys
how well I would like
to hear of my Bear Boy
who went April 14 1917
He was in the missing
list we dont know how
he went I look over the
papers to see if I can see

his name but I cant
see his name on no paper
how well I would like
to hear he has a grave
Pte E W Harding CR 294
he is always on my mind
not knowing how he went
Well Sir I am writing this
note if you know any
thing about him please
write and let me know
I remain yours
this his
mother Phoebe Harding
Little Boy with ~~that~~

C.R. 2949

August 6th, 1929

Mrs. Phoebe Harding,
Little Bay,
via Hr. Breten.

Dear Madam:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter relative to No. 2949 Pte. A.W. Harding, deceased, and would state in reply that Major T. Hangle, Director of Graves Registration and Enquiries, is still searching for the bodies and graves of missing men, and it is still possible that Private Harding's grave may ^{yet} be located, in which event I shall be very glad to advise you of the fact.

When Major Hangle has finally given up the search, those whose graves at such time will not have been located, will be ~~considered~~ as missing, and the memorial erected in their memory will be a mural tablet suitably chosen, whereon will be enscribed their names, rank, Regiment, and the inscription chosen by the next of kin concerned.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.