

Medical Officer's Report

NO. 117

# First Newfoundland Regiment

## ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1496

Name in full John Leslie Hibbs, Age 20.

Address Topsoil.

Married  
Single Height 5ft 11in Weight 145

Color Fair Hair Brown Eyes Blue.

Other distinguishing marks.....

Nearest relative Father, (Julia)

Address Topsoil.

Dependents Father, (partly)

Occupation Farmer, Present Wage 1<sup>00</sup> day.

Previous service.....

Decorations.....

General Remarks.....

Date of Enlistment April 14<sup>th</sup> 1915

I, John Leslie Hibbs, 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.

John Leslie Hibbs.

Declared before me this 1 day  
of May 1915  
J. J. G. G. G.



C.R. 1496

John L. Hibbs was attested for General Service  
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on .....April 14th, 1915  
Regimental No. 1426 was allotted to Pte John L. Hibbs

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

1496

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's for Overseas, per  
S.S. Calgarian" June.19.1915. "F".

1496 Pte. Hibbs J.L.

C.R. 1496

Extract from Nominal Roll of Nfld. Regt. Draft No. 18  
from 2nd Bn. Depot, to 1st Bn. B.E.F. Embarked South-  
ampton, 15-2-17.

1496 Pte. J. Hibbs.

S. 156. B

Used only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Army.

J. 1825

# MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname

*Hobbs*

OF

Christian Name

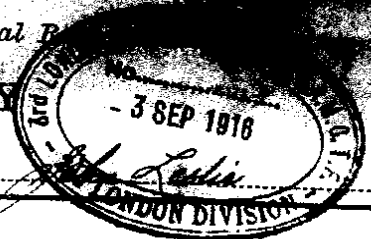


Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish *Topsail* County *Y. F. L.*

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <i>16<sup>th</sup></i> day of <i>April</i> 19 <i>15</i>	on	day of	19 <i>1</i>
	at <i>St. John's</i>	at		
Declared Age	<i>20</i> years	days	years	days
Trade or Occupation	<i>Farmer</i>			
Height	<i>5</i> feet	<i>4</i> inches	feet	inches
Weight		<i>116 1/2</i> lbs.		lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded...			
	<i>33 1/2</i> inches			inches
	Range of expansion...			inches
	<i>2 1/2</i> inches			inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated	<i>7 years</i>			
Vision	R. E. V	<i>6/6</i>	R. E. V	
	L. E. V	<i>6/6</i>	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)	<i>Frederick Burden</i>			
(Rank)	<i>Lieut</i>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <i>St. John's</i>	at		
	on <i>14<sup>th</sup></i> day of <i>April</i> 19 <i>15</i>	on	day of	19 <i>1</i>
	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Joined on Enlistment	<i>1st Y. F. L. D. Regt. 12496</i>			
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
	on	day of	19 <i>1</i>	on
		day of	19 <i>1</i>	
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

[P. T. O.]

Form II—Only for admission to hospital in the sick bay in the quarters. Warlike Officers treated in quarters

Name of Hospital	Admitted to Hospital		Discharged from Hospital		Disease	Remarks	Signature of Medical Officer
	Day	Year	Day	Year			
Nerley	5	7 16	1	9 16	G.S. v. Left Thigh On the left hand	09	<p>Patent hit by bullet in Groin 1.7.16                      Pelvic wound near base of left thigh                      Exit wound at head of thigh - suprapubic.                      Small hole in wound                      27.7.16 Discharge home                      28.8.16 All wounds healed.                      To rest at home</p> <p>OFFICER IN CHARGE                      SURGICAL DIVISION R.F.C.</p> <p>W. Morris                      R.M.C.</p> <p>J. D. Caldwell</p>
LONDON GENERAL HOSPITAL WANDSWORTH	9	16 20	8	16	P.S.H. 1x.1.s by Lt.		

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CASUALTIES

O. C., 3rd LONDON GENERAL HOSPITAL, WANDSWORTH,

Reports, 2nd September, 1916,

TRANSFERRED FROM NETLEY MILITARY HOSPITAL,

1/9/16,

No. 1496, Hibbs, Pte. J.

Authority:-

A.F. C 348  
from 3rd L.G.H.



# 1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ALLOTMENTS

I, John G. Hibbs, Regl. No. 1496

hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official form to make an Allotment of 60 Dollars and 00 Cents, per diem, from my Pay, to, and for the benefit of the undermentioned Person <sup>and</sup> <sub>or</sub> Persons, such payment to be made on proof of identity of, and production of the relative Identity Certificates by the Person <sup>and</sup> <sub>or</sub> Persons concerned, viz.:

Identity Certificate	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative or Friend	NAME (in full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
1		<u>Mother</u>	<u>St. John's</u>	<u>60</u>
2		<u>Hibbs</u>		
1				
5				
<u>Commanded in June 12</u>				
Total Allotment, \$				<u>60</u>

NOTE.—This form must be completed by the Officer Commanding Company, signed by the Volunteer, countersigned by the Officer Commanding Company and handed to the Paymaster as authority to make the required payments on application.

(Sig.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Officer Commanding  
 Company  
John G. Hibbs  
June 12<sup>th</sup>  
 1915

(Sig.) John G. Hibbs  
 (Rank) Private

PAY LIST.

OFFICE COPY.

191 Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps *Royal Newfoundland Regiment*  
 No. *1496* Rank *Private* Name *Hibbs J. S.*  
 Died *intestate* at *France* on the *6<sup>th</sup>* of *December* 191*7*.  
 Deserted at on the of 191*1*.

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 <i>6<sup>12/17</sup></i> .....	<i>14</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>5</i>
	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			
	101				Messing allowance days at from to			
					Kit allowance .....			
					Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
					Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
					Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<i>14</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>5</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		<i>£</i>				<i>£</i>		
						<i>14</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>5</i>

COPY SENT TO  
 O. C. H. Q.  
 ST. JOHN'S, N.F.L.D.  
 B279  
 NO. *1688/171*  
 DATED *23/10/18*

CHE. REC.  
*12/10/18*

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

Dated at this day of 12 OCT 1918 191 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.

Regimental Number 1496

Company F

THE  
1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

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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 John L. Hibbs

Witness W. D. Ayne 2nd Lt

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_



191 \_\_\_\_\_

**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 } Newfoundland. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } B.Co.

Regimental No. 1496. Rank Private.

Surname Hibbs. Christian Names J. L.

Died { Date 6/12/17. Place France.



Cause of Death\* Died of Wounds received in Action.

Nature and Date of Report E.D. 4596 d/6/12/17, from 21st.C.C.S.

By whom made O.C. 21st.C.C.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.C. India 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 } G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon.  
17/12/17.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section } [Signature]  
Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

COPY SENT TO  
O.C. H.Q.  
ST. JOHNS, N.F.L.D.  
NEP 38 No. 4254  
DATE: 19/12/17  
Sgd. Lt. Col. Major

Officers/c No.1 Infantry Section.

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

Counter No. \_\_\_\_\_



## 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.

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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 Julia M. Hibbs Address \_\_\_\_\_

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	Check
		<u>pro Dept Secy</u>	<u>10/11/16</u>	

Dated July 8, 1916.

To Mrs. Julia Hibbs,  
Topsail.

I regret to inform you that No. 1496, Private John L. Hibbs, is reported at Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, gunshot wound severe in head.

J.R. BENNETT

Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 1496

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record  
Office, London, dated December 16, 1917..

#1496 Pte. J. Hibbs. ✓

Wounded 4/12/17.

C.R. 1496

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record  
Office, London, dated December 18, 1917.

The following Casualty in the 1/1st Newfoundland Regiment,  
with the British Expeditionary Force, is reported under  
various dates:-

#1496 Pte. J.L.Hibbs. ✓

Died of Wounds,

Counter No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

*Dated* December 18, 1917.

*To* Mrs. Julia Hibbs,  
Topsail.

Regret to inform you Record Office, London, today reports No. 1496, Private John L. Hibbs, died of wounds at Twentyfirst Casualty Clearing Station, France, December sixth, nature of wounds not yet reported.

R.A. SQUIRES  
Colonial Secretary.

#### NOTE FOR OPERATOR

This message is not to be sent until receiving office notifies that message to Rev. Canon Netten, Topsail, has been delivered and acted upon.

**FOR TYPEWRITER**

May 13, 18

Dear Mrs. Hibbs:-

I am writing to inform you that it is my regrettable duty to forward to you, one package of effects, which belonged to your son, the late #1495 Pte. J. Hibbs of The Royal New Zealand Regiment.

I am enclosing herewith, receipt. Will you kindly sign same and return 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.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

Captain.

Mrs. Julia Hibbs,

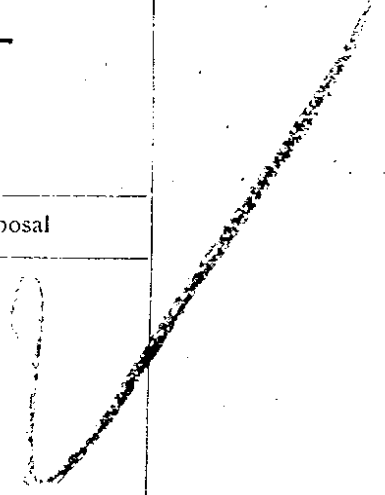
Topsail.

Encal 1.

of Paper 1025

**PERSONAL EFFECTS.**

Name Hibbs J. A. No. 1496  
Rank Pvt. Regiment R. M. P.

Article	Where stored	Notified by
1 Cotton bag Containing:- 1000s, 1000s Pipe Relig Book, 1000s Tin Box - Pocket knife Soapening Stone Silver Watch 2 Pencils, 1000s Comb - 2 Badges Gold shell Ring 2 1000s (German) 2 Coins	Final disposal 	

Remarks: Cas Report: - D of W 6-12-17  
Next of kin: Mrs Julia Hibbs  
1 op mail

PERSONAL EFFECTS.

Received from Militia Department, *over*  
Packages of effects of the late *Mr.* John L. Hiller, #1496-  
*of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment*

Signed

*Jessie Hiller  
Topsail*

Date

*May 14<sup>th</sup> 1918*

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APR 25 20

From: Paymaster & O i/c Records

To : Board of Pension Commissioners for Nfld.

Re No. 1496, J.L. Hibbs

The amount paid in continuance of the above man's  
allotment is \$434.40

Major  
Paymaster

C.R. 1496

Received - from Frank J. Jolley - Photo.  
of the grave of my dear late son  
J. L. Wills.

Yours etc.  
Julia Wills

Lopocais  
February 1<sup>st</sup> 1922

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. .... *1496* ..... Name ..... *Hibbs* .....

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

Name ..... *Mrs. Julia Hibbs* .....

Date ..... *31. 7. 20* .....

Place ..... *Lopsail* .....

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

*W*



# Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

W. & A. G. Smith & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4, London, W.C. 2.  
 Form B. 121.  
 4/19/16

Regiment of 1st New Brunswick  
 Signature of O. G. Company [Signature]  
 Number of Sheets 1

Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

No.	Regimental Number and Name	Enlistment	Trade
Age on	years	months	<u>Farmer</u>
Place and Date of Enlistment	<u>St. John's</u>	<u>April 14-16</u>	Religion
Period of { with Colours } { with Reserve }	<u>2 2/3 years</u>	<u>3 6/5 years</u>	Place of Birth
Joined	Date	Date	<u>England</u>
Joined	Date	Date	<u>England</u>

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Case of Drunkenness	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or order which with	By whom awarded	REMARKS
<u>St. John's</u>	<u>3. 8. 15</u>	<u>Plt</u>		<u>was sent from St. John's for being 6 and 1/2 months in the</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2 days</u>	<u>4. 8. 15</u>	<u>Capt. [Signature]</u>	
				<u>Deed of Honour</u>	<u>6</u>				

To be carried over

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

September 20 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 1496 Rank *Plt*  
Name *John L. Hibbs*  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

JOHN L. HIBBS  
- 5

*Julia Hibbs* (Sgd.)  
*Mother* Relationship.

Address *85 Spauld. E. Bay*

Sept. 6th. 1921.

The accompanying Victory Medal and/or British War Medal

is/are forwarded herewith to

Mrs. Julia Hibbs (Mother)

in respect of his service as No. 1496 Rank Pte.

Name J.L. Hibbs (D) Royal Nfld. Regt.  
~~\*\*\*Nfld. Infantry Corps\*\*~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received

Medals

Signature

Mrs Julia Hibbs (Mother)

Date

September 15<sup>th</sup> 1921

Address

Topical, C. Bay

[P.T.O.]

C.R. 1496

Topmail

Feb. 16 - 20

Re  
Lieut. Col. W. F. Mendell,  
Dear Sir,

Received  
Kings Message, also  
"Memorial Scroll"  
to the Memory of my  
dear late son, - Wm.  
John Leslie Hibbs -

Many thanks for same,  
Yours sincerely  
Johnnie Hibbs