

# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 2253 Name Harold G. Jacobs Corps

### Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

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|--|------------------------------------|
| 1. What is your name? .....  | 1. <u>Harold G. Jacobs</u>         |
| 2. What is your full Address? .....  | 2. <u>Northam Bay, C. B.</u>       |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? .....  | 3. <u>Yes</u>                      |
| 4. What is your age? .....   | 4. <u>18</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 .....                        |
| 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>                     |

FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR

I, Harold G. Jacobs 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.

Harold G. Jacobs SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
6 March 8th 1916 Harold G. Jacobs Signature of Witness.

**OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.**  
 I, Harold G. Jacobs 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 Northam Bay on this 6th day of March 1916.  
Harold G. Jacobs Signature of Attesting Officer

**†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 1st Corps.  
 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, as follows, viz:—(Name).....re-enlisted in the (Regiment).....on the (Date).....

Apparent age 18 years 4 months 15 days

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 37 inches  
 Range of expansion 4 inches

Distinctive marks

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Mrs. David Gault, Southern Bay, C.P.  
 Relationship Father

Particulars as to Marriage

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow.	(b) Place and date of marriage.	(c) Present address.	(d) Initials of Officer verifying entry.

Particulars as to Children

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or Depot	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve 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>8-3-16</u>									
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>March 8<sup>th</sup> 16</u>									
<u>Wounded April 19<sup>th</sup> 1917</u>									
<u>Embarked St. John's S.B. Division for det. 28<sup>th</sup></u>									
<u>Missing 14-4-1917</u>									
<u>Died on Personnel of Det. at Camp of St. John's</u>									
<u>19-11-1917</u>									
<u>Shot through the left kidney</u>									
<u>Spinal cord and lungs</u>									
<u>Buried on Cemetery of St. John's 1917</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above									
Total Service towards Engagement to <u>19-4-17</u> (date of discharge) <u>1</u> years <u>43</u> days									

C.R. 2253

Harold G. Jacobs was attested for General Service with  
the NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT on March 8th 1916

Regimental No. 2253 was allotted to Pte H.G. Jacobs

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th 1919

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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Jacobs or Christian Name Harold

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish		County	
		SPECIAL RESERVE.	REGULAR ARMY
Examined	on <u>6</u> day of <u>March</u> 191 <u>6</u>	on	day of 191
	at <u>St. John's, Hfd.</u>	at	
Declared Age	<u>18</u> years	days	years days
Trade or Occupation			
Height	<u>5</u> feet <u>6 1/2</u> inches	feet	inches
Weight	<u>137</u> lbs.		lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <u>37</u> inches		inches
	Range of expansion... <u>4</u> inches		inches
Physical Development			
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right Left
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>L. Simon Paterson</u>		
(Rank)	<u>Capt</u> Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at <u>St. John's</u>	at	
	on <u>6</u> day of <u>March</u> 191 <u>6</u>	on	day of 191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regd. No.	Corps. Regd. No.
	<u>1st Hfd. Regt.</u>	<u>22513</u>	
Transferred to			
Became non-effective by	on	day of 191	on
(Signature)			
(Rank)			

[P.T.O.]





FORM I.

NEWFOUNDLAND

Regiment or corps

No. 2253

Rank

Private

Name

Jacobs J.B.

Died (a) Intestate

at Germany

on the 19th of April

1917

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	4	4	6
	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				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
					Deferred Pay or Gratuity			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	4	4	6	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	4	6		£	4	6

CHECKED. AW 22/10/17

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 4 4 6 is correctly chargeable against the Public.

Dated at

this

day of

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.

~~153~~  
~~Pte. H. Jacobs~~  
~~Said while prisoner~~  
~~at Dourai~~

27/9/17.

Re-traded on C.R.  
JTB

WAR OFFICE,  
Alexandra House,  
Kingsway, W.C.2.

Extract from letter or postcard from prisoner of war  
sent by Postal Censor.

Regimental description Pte. H. Jacobs.  
of writer:-

Date:- 1<sup>st</sup> Mar. 17.

Camp:- Regt. Limburg

Remarks:- I am quite well. Prisoner.

Addressed to:- Miss Alice Tessier 63 Rennie's Mile Road  
St. John's Newfoundland.

1<sup>st</sup> Sept. 1917.

C. J. Casualties.

COR, 2253

Extract from Nominal Roll of Nfld. Regt. Draft No. 14  
from 2nd Bn. Depot, to 1st Bn. B.E.F. Embarked South-  
ampton. 30-11-16.

2253 Pte. H. Jacobs.

COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated

May 13, 1917.

To  
Mr. David Jacobs,

Northern Bay.

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,

London, officially reports No. 2253, Private

Harold C. Jacobs, missing April fourteenth.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

# FOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPH

## 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 be forwarded according to the foregoing Conditions, by which I agree to abide.

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender

Address

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check
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Dated

25th July, 1917.

To

Mr. David Jacobs,

Northern Bay, B. de V.

Regret to inform you Record Office London today states that No. 2253, Private Harold G. Jacobs, previously reported Missing is now reported admitted Hospital St. Cletilde Douai, and died in German hands April nineteenth.

R. A. SQUIRES,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Note for Operator This message is not to be sent until receiving office advises that message to Rev. R. H. Mercer, Western Bay, has been delivered and acted upon.

FOR TYPEWRITER

May 11, 1918.

Dear Mr. Jacobs:-

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 # 2253 Pte. H. Jacobs of The Royal Newfoundland 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.

Mr. David Jacobs,  
Northern Bay,  
District of Bay de Verde.

Enc'l 1.

March 1st. 1919

Rev. R. H. Mercer,  
WESTERN BAY,  
Nfld.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter to the Department of Militia & Defence, Ottawa, it has been referred to this Department for action, and in reply I beg to inform you that the allotment of \$253, late Pte. Harold G. Jacobs is still being paid to Mr. Jacobs of Northern Bay, but evidently some of his cheques must be mislaid somewhere in the mails. I therefore enclose Identity Bond, and respectfully ask you if you will have Mr. Jacobs fill it out in your presence and return it to this Department, so that we may issue duplicate cheques for the ones, which he has not received.

Yours truly,

Lieut.  
For Paymaster.



S. A. 121

The Methodist Parsonage,

Western Bay, Md., Aug 15<sup>th</sup> 1918

Minister of Militia  
Ottawa  
Canada



Sir:- I beg to call your attention  
to the fact that the allowance  
made payable to Mr David  
Jacobs of Northow Bay Md  
has been stopped.

Mr Jacobs only son Harold<sup>\*</sup> (2213)  
was a member of one of  
your regiments and died  
in enemy hands in the  
town of Douai

This is a case which  
should certainly receive  
consideration

Yours Ours  
Yours faithfully  
R. H. ...

Amount to

569

C.R. 2753

Sep . 2nd 1919.

David Jacobs Esq.,  
Northern Bay.

Dear sir:

I am directed by the Minister of  
Militia to forward you the following information,  
with reference to the gravesite of your late  
son, No. 2253 Pte. H. Jacobs received from the  
Pay & Record Office, London recently. It  
reads as follows:-

"The undermentioned is reported by  
"Graves Registration Units to be  
"buried in Douai Communal Cemetery,  
"Douai, France."

No. 2253 Pte. H. Jacobs.

Again assuring you of my deepest  
sympathy in the loss you have sustained and  
in the renewed sorrow which the receipt of  
this report entail.

I beg to remain,  
Yours sincerely,

  
CASUALTY OFFICER.

Kommandantur der  
Kriegsgefangenenlager VIII A. K.

J. N. 3634511

Zu lfd. Nr. 486 des  
Sterberegisters der Kommandantur.

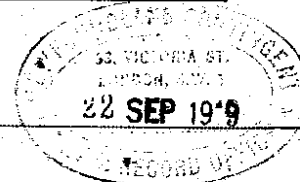
Newfld.

Sheppard W. Carr

Todesbescheinigung des Kriegsgefangenen:

1. Familienname:
2. Vornamen:  
(Rufname unterstreichen.)
3. Soldat welcher feindlichen  
Armee:
4. Kompagnie, Regiment, Division:
5. Inhalt der Erkennungsmarke:
6. Geburtstag:  
(ev. Lebensalter nach Jahren.)
7. Letzter Wohnort:
8. Beruf im bürgerlichen Leben:
9. Angaben über Familienverhält-  
nisse: (ob verheiratet, Kinder, ledig?,  
ev. Name der Eltern.)
10. Todesort:
11. Todeszeit: (Tag, Monat, Jahr, Stunde)
12. Todesursache:  
(Durch welchen Arzt festgestellt.)
13. Etwaige nähere Angaben über  
Verlauf der Krankheit oder Art  
des Unfalls:
14. Ort und Bezeichnung der  
Grabstätte:

*Jacobs,*  
*Harold*  
*Engländer*  
*T. Newfoundland Regt. C. Comp.*  
*Nº 2257.*  
*unbekannt.*  
*unbekannt.*  
*unbekannt.*  
*unbekannt.*  
*Kriegsgefangen-Lager St. Helvid's Dorias*  
*19. April 1917. 8 Uhr morgens.*  
*unbekannt.*  
*unbekannt.*  
*unbekannt.*  
*Gräber Dorias, Grab mit Nummer*  
*in Nummer 2*



Wahn, den 17. August 1917.

(Dienstsigel.)



*Wahn*

Generalmajor und Kommandant.

Nov. 5, 1919

Secretary,  
Board of Pension Commissioners,  
City.

No. 2253 Pte. H.G. Jacobs.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your letter of April 30th.,  
I beg to state that the amount paid in continuance  
of this soldier's allotment is Four hundred and  
seventy-six dollars (\$476.00).

Yours truly

Major  
Paymaster.

MAJOR W. H. PARSONS, M.C.  
R.A.M.C.

*St. John's,*

April 27, 1920

Major Howley,  
Paymaster,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith enclose cheque for \$476.00,  
being refund of Allotment paid on account of  
2253 H.G. Jacobs,

Kindly acknowledge receipt of same.

Yours faithfully,

  
Asst. Secretary.

  
TMH/BT

THE BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS FOR Nfld.

30.4.19.

The Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,  
St. John's Nfld.

DEAD AND MISSING MEN.

No. 2253

Rank Bo

Name H.G. Jacobs

Sir:-

I have the honour, by direction  
to advise you that a pension has been awar  
-ded to the Mother of the marginally  
noted, as follows:

Name  Evelyn J. Jacobs

Address 39 Bartons Hill

Pension Full

Pension commences 20.4.17

Kindly govern yourself acco-  
rdingly, and advise me what deductions  
will have to be made.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

*[Signature]*  
Asst. Secretary.

B.F.C. Form 1.

20/4/17  
15  
28/2/19 @ 70<sup>4</sup>  
\$ 476<sup>00</sup>

Discontinued  
28/2/19  
David Jacobs, Northern Bay & B

June 13th. 1918.

David Jacobs, Esq.,  
Northern Bay, C.B.  
Newfoundland.

Dear Sir,-

I enclose herewith cheque for \$24.95, being the balance of the estate of the late No. 2253, Private H. Jacobs, payable to you as Administrator. I also enclose letters of Administration.

Yours faithfully,

Capt. & Paymaster &  
Officer i/c Records.

J/H.

*J. B. A.*

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. 2253 Name W. J. Jacobs

*5-15/22*

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

Name Evelyn J. Jacobs

Date 24th Sept.

Place Northam, Gwent

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

*WJ*

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 2253 Rank *AC*  
Name *Harold H. Jacobs*  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

*Mrs Evelyn J. Jacob* (Sgd.)

*Mother* Relationship.

Address *Northern Bay, South Bay de Verde Dist*

SEP 9 1921 1921.

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

Mr. David Jacobs (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 2885 Rank Pte.

Name Harold G. Jacobs Royal Nfld. Regt.  
Nfld. Forestry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Sept 12<sup>th</sup>

Signature Suzelyn J. Jacobs Mother

Date 1921

Address Northam Bay South

[P.T.O.]

