

FOR OFFICIAL USE

First Newfoundland Regiment

ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1437

Name in full Frank Jennett Age 21

Address Brigus

~~Married~~ Height 5ft 9 in Weight 141 1/2

Single Color medium Hair black Eyes brown

Other distinguishing marks scar right side (low)

Nearest relative Father Frederick George

Address Brigus

Dependents None

Occupation Electrical Engineer Present Wage \$45 per month

Previous service

Decorations

General Remarks

Date of Enlistment April 17/15

I, Frank Jennett, 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.

Frank Jennett

Declared before me this 26 day

of April 1915
Montgomery Lott

C.R. 1437

Frank Jerrett was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on .. April 17th 1915
Regimental No 1437 was allotted to Pte. Frank Jerrett

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 26th. 1919.

C.R. 1437

Extract from Nominal Roll of Mfld. Regt. Draft No.10 From
2nd Bn. Depot, to 1st Bn. B.E.F. Embarked Southampton
24-8-16.

1437 Bgt. F. Jerrett.

C.R.

1437

Extract from Nominal Roll of Warrant officers and
N.C.O's of the 1st Mfld. Regt. (No date given)

1437 F. Jerratt,

Promoted to I/Cpl. June.19,1915.



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NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

ALLOTMENTS.

I, Frank Jerrett Regtl No. 1434
 hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official
 form, to make an Allotment of Dollars and 50 Cents.
 per diem, from my Pay, to and for the benefit of the undermentioned Per-
 son or Persons, such payment to be made on proof of identity of, and
 production of the relative Identity Certificate by the Person or Persons
 concerned viz:-

Identity Card No.	Whether Wife, Child other Relative or Friend	NAME (in Full)	ADDRESS	ACCOUNT (each person)
	Wife	Jane E Jerrett	Briggs Crompton Bay Nfld	50 ^{cts}

This Allotment to commence from (inclusive) 12 Sep 1916

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.) A. W. Cross Capt

Officer Commanding
Company.

Rae Cross Sgt

Aug 23 1916

(Sig.) Frank Jerrett

(Rank) Sergeant

24/8/16
 NOTED
Rae Cross
 C.O.M.S.
 Date 23/8/16
 Gov

MC

December 19, 1916.

Dear Madam,

In reply to my telegram of the 16th instant, enquiring for news of your son, No. 1437, Sergt. Frank Jerrett, I am to-day in receipt of a reply from the Record Office, London, to the effect that they will endeavour to trace him. Immediately upon receipt of further information regarding him, I shall communicate the same to you.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Jerrett,
21 Prescott St.

For a ...
W. M. J. ...
The Honourable
The Colonial Secretary.

For necessary action.

1437
C.R. 1437
Decided not to write further

no (15)

Governor.

30 December 1916.

No. 761.

Code Telegram from Major Timewell.
(recd. 30 December 1916)

Your Telegram 27th (No. 215)

Telegram just received from Officer Commanding 1st
Battalion to following effect:

1487 Jerrett wounded Oct. 12th not rejoined
unit. This was not previously reported to me. No
report of Jerrett being admitted to Hospital. Cannot be
traced by 3rd Echelon. He has not drawn pay since
October 6th. Enquiries have been made several weeks
without result. Regarded in this office unofficially
missing, in the absence of evidence to contrary.

Please inform Colonial Secretary.

MC

January 11, 1917.

Dear Sir,

I regret to inform you that the Record Office of the First Newfoundland Regiment, London, to-day reports that your son, No. 1437, Sergt. Frank Jarrett, was reported by Australian Unit December 18th as having been killed in action on October 12th.

Yours sympathetically,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Fred. G. Jarrett,
21 Prescott St.

C.R. 1437.

Extract from Daily Orders part II, Unit the Royal
Newfoundland Regiment, from 3rd. Echelon, B.E.F. dated
6/1/17.

1437 Sgt. P. Jerrett

Killed in Action 12.10.16.

C.R. 1437

Jan. 26th. 1920

Major T. Hangle, D.G.H.A.R.
C/o High Commissioner for Newfoundland
58 Victoria Street
London, S.W.1

Dear Sir:- 1437 Sergt. F. Jerrett

Our records do not show the grave location of the above mentioned soldier. I have been informed by Mrs. Jerrett that she has been advised by an Australian soldier who found his body and returned his name to her, that he was buried and a cross erected at a point about 500 yards East of Gunga Heart Wood and about 20 yards beyond Hill Trench. If you have no record of this burial, I should be glad if you will endeavour to verify and inform me as soon as possible.

I am repeatedly receiving applications concerning graves locations, and trust that you will keep me informed all the time of any bodies that are found that have not been registered.

Yours faithfully

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

C.R. 1437

August 31st, 1920

Mr. F.C. Jerrett,
Brigus.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to your enquiries relative to the location of the Grave of No. 1437 Sgt. Frank Jerrett, and concerning which I have made enquiries of the Director of Graves Registration and Enquiries, I beg to state that I am now in receipt of communication from Major P. Hangle, which advises that the Guesdecourt Area has now been closed and no trace of the above soldier has been found. The only possible chance which remains is that when the farmers return to till the soil the body may be then found, but as his disc was removed, I am afraid that the chances of identifying his body would be very small. However, I shall be very glad to convey to you any chance information that may be received.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary

for Chief Staff Officer.

61 Cochrane Street

St. Johns

Feb 14th 1920

S. L. Colonel Wendell R. 437

Dear Sir

Accept our
Thanks for the Memorial
Card so kindly sent-

Yrs Truly

Jane E. Jarrett

May 24th, 1918.

F.G. Jerrett Esq.,
Brigade.

Sir:-

This is to certify that #1457 Sergt. Frank
Jerrett, enlisted in the 1st Newfoundland Regiment
April 17th 1915, and was killed in action October
18th 1916.

Yours faithfully,



Major,
Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 1737

M

February 5, 1917.

Dear Sir,

It was with the greatest regret that the Government received a message from the Record Office, London, intimating that your son, Sergeant Frank Jerrett, was reported by the Australian Unit as killed in action on the 12th October last.

Permit me on behalf of the Government, as well as for myself, to express sincerest sympathy to you 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 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 fellowcountrymen. 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 of us all may give you of his love and comfort at this time.

Believe me to be,

Yours sympathetically,

Mr. Fred. G. Jerrett,
21 Prescott St.

Colonial Secretary.

His death has reached me
I have sent 5 boxes + the parcel
of socks to him also letters
the latter I should like to
have, the former could be
sent to Mr, Leonard Field
William Wacher Martell + Ernest
Wiley Arthur Watts. John
Aull (Private) I do not know
their number.

If you could give me any
information about my dear
boy you would greatly oblige
a sad hearted mother
Yours respectfully
Jane C. Ferrett

address
755
FEB 10 1917
23/2/17
1693/1/1

Mrs G. G. Ferrett
21 Prescott Street
St Johns

Lt Prescott
St Johns
Jan 16th 1916

Capt E. Timewell
Dear Sir

Could you
give me any information
with regard to the
death of my son 1437
Sergeant Frank Ferrett who
had been reported through
the Australian Unit - is
killed in action Oct 12th
Another report says
died of wounds
I should like to know
if he was found dead.

or wounded if the
latter what Hospital
did he die in. His
last letter to me was
written from the trenches
in France the end of Sept-
since that there had been
no news from him until
the Governor inquired for me
the answer came back
he had not drawn any
pay since Oct 6th, had not
in any Hospital, had
not joined Units, had not
reported to the 3^d echelon,
in other words they knew
nothing of him, that was
on Jan 11th since that time

Army Form B. 103.

Regimental Number 1439

Casualty Form - Active Service.

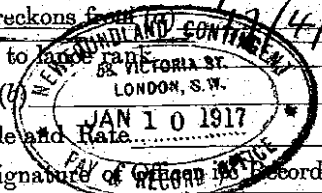
Rank Serjt Surname Jerritt Christian Name Frank
 Religion Cope Age on Enlistment 21 years 7 months.

Enlisted (a) 17/4/15 Terms of Service (a) War Service reckons from 17/4/15

Date of promotion to present rank _____ Date of appointment to present rank _____

Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b) _____
 or Corps Trade and Rate _____

Signature of RECORD OFFICER _____



Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form H. 213, 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. 214, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked ... <u>Saunders</u> <u>24.8.16</u>			
		Disembarked ... <u>Rowe</u> <u>25.8.16</u>			
		Battalion <u>Wounded in Action</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>12/10/16</u>	<u>Memo 3/1/17</u>
	<u>2nd Aust. Mc. Gun Coy</u>	<u>Reported Killed</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>12/10/16</u>	<u>Memo 12/12/16</u>
	<u>1st Aust. Division</u>	<u>in Action</u>			
		<u>McBurdell</u>	<u>CAPTAIN</u>		
		<u>for Officer i/c No. 1 Regular Infantry Section</u>			
		<u>General Headquarters, 3rd Echelon</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) Signaller, Shoeing-smith, &c. [P.T.O.]

REGISTRATION OF DEATHS OF SOLDIERS TO BE REPORTED TO THE WAR OFFICE
delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form No. 100, or on
other official documentary forms.

REGIMENT } 1st New Zealand Regt. Squadron, } D. Company.
of } Troop, Battery }
CORPS }

Regtl. No. 1457. Rank Sergt.

Name Jerrett, F.

Date 12/10/16/.

Died Place Gueudecourt, Somme.

Cause of Death* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Reported by Memo. 19/12/16/.

By whom made 2nd Aust. Mo. Gun Coy. 1st Aust. Division.

* 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 Not to hand.

Date ditto.

By whom reported ditto.

State whether he leaves a will or not (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) No.

(b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not to hand.

(c) as a separate document ditto.

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 }

J. M. Birchell CAPTAIN.
for Officer i/c No. 1 Regular Infantry Section
General Headquarters, 3rd Echelon.

Station and Date 5/1/17/.

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE

Birthplace:—Parish Newfoundland County

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	on	day of	on	day of
Examined	16	April		191
at	St John		at	
Declared Age	21	years		days
Trade or Occupation	Engineer			
Height	5	feet 9		inches
Weight		141 1/2		lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded...		39	26
	Range of expansion...		3	39
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
		1		
When Vaccinated	1905			
Vision	R.E.—V=	6/6	R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V=		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)	Frederick Burden			
(Rank)	Lieut			
	Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at	St John	at	
	on	16 day of April	on	day of 191
	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Joined on Enlistment	recd Rgr 1437			
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
	on	day of 191	on	day of 191
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

<p>May 12th 1916 June 1st - 25th - 23. 8. 16</p>	<p>1st Circulation 500 Million of Dollars 2nd " " 1000 Vaccinated Fit for foreign Service of Sea of War</p>
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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>St. John N.F. 20</i></p>					

23rd February,

7.

1098/1

Mrs. F. G. Jerrett,
21, Prescott Street,
St. John's, Newfoundland.

Madam,

No. 1437, Sgt. F. Jerrett, deceased.

With reference to your letter 16/1/17 (735), beyond the bare facts as reflected in copies of telegrams etc. attached, nothing is known here.

As will be seen the case was rather an unusual one and various enquiries were made before authentic information could be obtained.

With regard to letters and parcels: since the casualty was verified, all of the former received at this office, either direct or returned from the Field, have been forwarded to the Army Post Office for return to senders as customary, and the latter to the G.P.O., Newfoundland, in accordance with instructions from H.Q., St. John's, applying generally in such cases.

It is very much regretted that further information cannot be given, but should an opportunity arise of glean anything from those who took part in the action, it will be communicated to you.

I am,

Madam,

Your obedient servant,

Major,

Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

HT/NW

No. 1437, 1437, Sgt. F. JERRETT.

1. Telegram from Record Office to O.C. 1st Bn. Nfld.

Dec. 28, Following transmitted telegram whereabouts and health 1437 Sgt. Frank Jerrett Governor ends Garnet Brabe this man Please inform.

2. Telegram from O.C. 1st Bn. to Record Office

Dec. 29 Sgt. F. Jerrett wounded on October 12th and not rejoined unit.

3. Cable from Record Office to H.E. the Governor of Nfld.

Dec. 30 Reference your telegram 27 Dec. telegram just received from O.C. 1st Bn. to following effect 1437 Jerrett wounded Oct. 12 not rejoined unit. This was not previously reported to me. No report of Jerrett being admitted to hospital. Cannot be traced by 3rd Echelon. He has not drawn pay since Oct. 8. Enquiries have been made regarding for several weeks without result. Regarded in this office unofficially missing in the absence of evidence to the contrary. Please inform Colonial Secretary.

4. Cable from H.E. the Governor of Nfld. to Record Office

Jan. 3 Reference your telegram 30 Dec. 1437 Jerrett. What evidence if alive or dead. Is he likely to be either a deserter or prisoner?

5. Cable from Record Office to H.E. the Governor of Nfld.

Jan. 5 Reference your telegram 3 Jan. Jerrett no evidence if alive or dead deserted or prisoner. Enquiries being made still.

6. Casualty report from War Office received Record Office 10/1/16

1437, Sgt. Jerrett, F.
Killed in action 12/10/16. Reported by Officer Commanding 2nd Australian Machine Gun Company. 1st Australian Division 18/12/16.

7. Cable from Record Office to H.E. the Governor of Nfld.

Jan. 10 Now reported by Australian Unit killed in action Oct. 12 - 1437 Jerrett.

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21 Pres. St. John
St. Johns
Feb 14th / 17

Hugh Anderson Esq

Dear Sir

You will be a bit surprised on receiving a letter from me who is quite a stranger to you when I tell you what I want & hope you will pardon me. No doubt - by this time my son 1437 Sgt Frank J. Brett whose death - was reported to us as having been killed in action on Oct 12th. Which was the first news we had received from him after Sept. only through a private person at Ayr who said there had some doubt about as to where he was then I started to make enquiries through the Colonel Secy, he could not find out any thing about him then I went to the Governr he inquired for me & on New Years day he sent me the answer he had received which said he had not drawn pay since Oct 6th was not in hospital had not rejoined Unit & had not reported to the 3 Eschelon & they then only after 3 months reported

Miss Wisang so of course then we
waited a short anxious time not
knowing where he was Miss Harlow
advised me to write you & she felt
sure you would find out something
for me but before I could write there
came an official message telling us
he had been reported on Dec 18th by
the Australian Unit as killed in action
Oct 10th strange to say he was never
reported in any way which make us
feel that there must have been some
neglect on someones part. last week
I received a letter from Walter Spark
5489 2^d Machine Gun Co second Brigade,
1st Division Australian Imperial Forces
Abroad. saying he had found a dead
body 10 yds over the parapet & found the
Dont Day Book & Private Papers which
told him it was Sergt Ferrett & buried
him three things he sent to the Brigade
Office & a Mug he took from his finger
he enclosed in a match box folded in
paper & when it came to me the mug
had been taken out by some person
as it was not registered Post Master General
can trace it - he said it might have
been opened in Pay & Record Office London

As the reason I am writing you
feeling sure if you can do anything
for me you will I should like to have
whatever private papers had been taken
from him. I had sent the dear King
6 boxes + parcels from Oct 1st up to Dec
to ~~London~~ there be any still at the office
please dont return them but send
them to some other boy. but I would
like to get the King or any other private
paper which might have belonged to
my King. The day after the Anstruther
letter arrived the Post-master received
a ring which had been picked up
in Sydney office with a monogram but
I cannot say if it is Frank's as he must
have bought it after he went to England
of course if I can hear from S. W. Spack
or Mrs Cook a Lady friend of my boy of
Ayr Scotland they will be able to identify
the King

I hope you will forgive & pardon the
great liberty I have taken in writing
you but if you could give me any information
I would be so thankful to you

Yrs truly
James C. Ferrett

1 disc 26-27
photos
4 parcels gone

March 22nd 7.

2573/2.
HA/RC.

Mrs. F. G. Jerrett,
21, Prescott Street,
St. John's, Newfoundland.

Madam,
. 1437 the late Sergt. Frank Jerrett.

I have received your letter of the 14th February with reference to your son. The matter of the delay in reporting Sergeant Jerrett's death has been fully dealt with by Major Timewell and you will doubtless have received his letter of the 23/2/17 before this. As soon as this office got word that there was doubt about the safety of your son it at once put enquiries on foot, and the delay was undoubtedly caused by the Authorities at the front failing to report that, in the first place, Sergeant Jerrett was missing. At the time in question there was considerable activity in France and it was an error which frequently happens on such occasions.

The only personal effects belonging to your son which are registered at this office are 1 disc and certain photographs, which were forwarded to Newfoundland to the Minister of Justice on the 26/2/17. I regret to say there is no trace of the ring you mentioned. It apparently did not come through this office.

Regarding the parcels addressed to Sergt. Jerrett I find that four were returned to the General Post Office St. John's, as customary in the case of deceased soldiers, before the arrival of your letter. Should any other parcels come they will be dealt with according to your instructions.

I am
Madam
Your obedient servant,

2/Lt.
for Paymaster & Co. i/c. records.

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. 1437 Name J. G. Perrett

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

Name J. G. Perrett

Date Oct 5th 1920

Place Brigus, C. B. Newfoundland

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

WS 11/1/20

SEP 9 1921

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

Mr. Fred. G. Jerrett (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 1437 Rank A/Sgt.

Name Frank Jerrett ~~Royal Nfld. Regt.~~
~~Nfld. Forestry Corps~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Victory and British War Medal

Signature F. G. Jerrett

Date Sept 1921

Address Quyas

[P.T.O.]

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's, Nfld.1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 1750 Rank Sergh
Name Liam J. Ferrett
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

L. J. Ferrett (Sgd.)

..... Relationship.

Address.....

Office of the Archivist for Militia Records

December 7th. 1926

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary

Sir:-

In the records of the Militia Department, there appears a balance of \$37.08 (thirty seven dollars and eight cents), due to the estate of the late Frank Jarrett, No. 1457, Royal Mfld. Regiment.

Payment of this amount was not made by the Militia Department, because of absence of claim and non-presentation of Letters of Administration.

At the present time, there is no fund at the disposal of the Archivist, other than the appropriation administered by your Department.

I am writing, therefore, to ask if payment of the above mentioned sum can be made by you and charged to the vote for Militia purposes.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,