

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF.

No. 2917

Name James G. Keeping Corps Co. 8.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- 1. What is your name? James Giles Keeping
- 2. What is your full Address? Lilly Cove, Middle Bay
- 3. Are you a British Subject? yes
- 4. What is your age? 28 Years 5 Months
- 5. What is your Trade or Calling? fisherman
- 6. Are you Married? no
- 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? no
- 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? yes
- 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? yes
- 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. yes

I, James Giles Keeping, 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.

James G. Keeping SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

James G. Keeping Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, James G. Keeping, 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 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 30 day of June 1916

Signature of Attesting Officer Charles Ayles

†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.R. 2917

James E. Keeping was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on ~~June 30th 1916~~
Regimental No 2917 was allotted to Pte J.G. Keeping

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th, 1913.

C.F. 2917

stated that ... all ... G. John's ...
O.O. 13.

2917 Pte. J.G. Keeping.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Kaplan

Christian Name James Stanley

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY	
	County			
Examined	on 30 day of June 1914	at St Johns St.	on	day of 191
Declared Age	28 years 5 months		years	days
Trade or Occupation	Fisherman			
Height	5 feet 10 inches		feet	inches
Weight	173 lbs.			lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... 43 inches			inches
	Range of expansion... 5 inches			inches
Physical Development...				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
		3		
When Vaccinated	9 years ago			
Vision	R.E.—V= 4/6		R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V= 6/6		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>James P. ...</i>			
(Rank)	Major Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at St Johns		at	
	on 30 day of June 1914		on	day of 191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
	1st Cavalry Regiment	291		
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
(Signature)	on	day of 191	on	day of 191
(Rank)				



This Form is to be used in connection with Pamph. M. E. (1)
N. F. 1914

In the spaces below should be entered the findings in the routine of examination set forth in the Appendix. Care should be exercised that each finding be entered after the number below which corresponds to the number of that test.

Examination of

James Giles Keeping

aged

28

conducted at

Date:

Recruiting Officer:

NO. OF TEST

FINDING

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No
No
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No
No
No
Yes
Yes
No

Sight normal to red-green
Physique good
able to march
6 bad teeth
Tonsils normal
Hearing good
Chest sound normal

Equal good
Horns normal
Fists good
Shoulders normal
Shoulders normal
Ankles strong & sound
Hips & spine sound
Feet & legs sound
Neither Piles nor fistulae
No deafness
Physically strong
Left hand & arm strong
No hernia nor abdominal weakness
No varicose
Age 7 years ago
5 ft 8 inches
180 lbs with clothes on
38 inches
About \$300
Both parents
Parents are largely supported by one

Signature of Medical Examiner:

Colonel FitzGerald M.D. & L.P.C.

C. 2917

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.

2917 Pte. J.C. Keeping.

COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated
May 11, 1917.

Mrs. Elizabeth Keeping,
Lally Cove, F.B.

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,
London, officially reports ~~No. 2917, Private James~~
~~G. Keeping, missing April fourteenth.~~
Upon receipt of further information I shall immedi-
ately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

C.R. 2917

Extract of Communication received from Pay & Record
Office, London, date October 15, 1917.

2917 Pte. Hooping, J.S.

Posted as "Missing" 14/4/17. and presumed Dead for
official purposes 17/11/17.

C. J. [unclear]

PAY LIST.

to **191** Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps

No. **2917**

Rank **Private**

Name **Keeping J. G.**

Died (a) **intestate** at **France**

on the **14th of Feb** 191**7**.

Deserted at

on the of 191**7**.

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular:

{ *Commanding Squadron, Troop,
Battery or Company.*

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

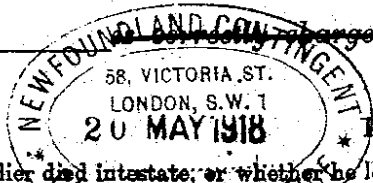
[Form 1.]

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month 14th/17	6	13	3 1/2
	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			
"					Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
	Consolidated stoppage				Deferred Pay or Gratuity			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	6	13	3 1/2	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£				£		
		6	13	3 1/2		6	13	3 1/2

*WED.
15/18*

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, ~~and that the debtor balance of £~~ *is not chargeable against the Public (b).*

Dated at this day of **20 MAY 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.

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

The Royal Nfld. Regt.

Dept. of Militia,

ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.

NO STAMP REQUIRED

Dept. of Militia,
St. John's.

Aug 6th 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late *2917* Rank *Private*
Name *James J. Keating*
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Elizabeth Keating (Sgd.)
Mother Relationship.

Address *Lally Cove F B*

SEP 8

1921.

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

Mrs. Elizabeth Keeping (Mother)

in respect of his service as No. 2917 Rank Pte.

Name James G. Keeping Royal Nfld. Regt.
Nfld. Constab. Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received this 22nd day of Sep. 1921

Signature Mrs Elizabeth Keeping

Date Sep 23th 1921

Address Lally Ave - St. John's

[P.T.O.]

C.R. 2917

RECEIPT.

FOR ISSUE OF BRITISH WAR MEDAL 1914-1919.

I certify that I have received an issue of 2 inches
of Riband of British War Medal-1914-1919.

Name: *John C. Reeking*

Date: *Nov. 22 1919*

Place: *Lally Cove F.B.*

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121

W. P. Grimth & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4, London, W.C. 2. (860) W. 2017/2121, 1000h. 6/18s. 48. 5/6

Regiment of *Royal Tank Regiment*

Number of Sheet *1*

Signature of O. C. Coy. *[Signature]*

Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

Regimental Number and Name *2419 Keeping Sgt.*

Age on *28* years *5* months

Place and Date of Enlistment *10 York 20-6-16*

Period of *with Colours 29* years *with Reserve 9* days

Place of Birth *Salisbury Wilt*

Time *Submarine*

Rank *Capt.*

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Case of Drunkenness	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or date of discontinuing with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS
				<i>Missing 14/7</i>	<i>4/7</i>				

To be carried over

He
29th
Jas. J. Keeping
Ministry of Militia.

Lally Cove
Fortune Bay
Feb 3rd /20

Dear Sir: -

I am sorry to
say I can't fill in Cemetery Register
sheet you sent concerning my dear
son that was killed in war. All
I know of him that he was reported
missing on April 14th /17 & that his
body was never found since.

I have been enquiring from
return soldiers that was in the
same battle, but they could not inform
me how he went or where his body
was ever found.
No one more at present.

I am yours very truly
Mrs Elizabeth Keeping

C.R. 2917

MARCH 22nd 1920.

Mrs. Elizabeth Keeping,
Lilly Cove,
Portsmouth Bay.

Dear Madam:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 3rd, in which you state that you are unable to fill in the Cemetery Register Form of your son, the late #2917 Pte. James Keeping.

If the efforts of the Imperial War Graves Commission prove unsuccessful in locating the grave of your son, there will be a Memorial Tablet erected, as in the case of all other men reported as "Missing."

I should be glad if you would fill in the Form as well as you are able, and return same to this Department.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

Bally Cove
7 Stone Bay
Nov. 18th / 20

W. F. Rendell (Lieut Col)
Chief Staff Officer
Dept. of Militia

St. Johns. N. C. R. 2917

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge receipt
of the registered Parcel and also
the King's message which the enclosed
contained, and wish to thank
you sincerely for both.

I remain
Yours sincerely
(Mrs) Edward Payson