

NOV 1915

First Newfoundland Regiment

ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1519

Name in full William Joseph Lannon Age 19

Address Bell Island, C. Bay.

Married
Single

Height 5ft 8 in Weight 130

Color Fair Hair Brown Eyes Blue

Other distinguishing marks.....

Nearest relative Mother (Johanna)

Address Bell Island

Dependents Mother partly

Occupation Miner Present Wage 1/40 per day

Previous service.....

Decorations.....

General Remarks.....

Date of Enlistment May 6th 1915

I, William Joseph Lannon, 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.

Declared before me this 6 day

of May 1915

William Joseph Lannon

years _____ months _____ Height _____ feet _____ inches _____
 Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded _____ inches.
 Range of expansion _____ inches.
 Distinctive marks **Widow's Peak, Hair Brown, Eyes Blue.**

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin **Johanna Lewson, Wolf Island, Ffld.**
 Relationship **Mother.**

Particulars as to Marriage.

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

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
|-----|-----|-----|----------------------------|
| | | | Verified from certificate. |

Particulars as to Children.

| Christian Names | Date and Place of Birth | (d) |
|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | Verified from certificate. |

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES.

| Corps in which served | Regt. or Depot | Promotions, 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 May 6/15 | | | | | | | | | |
| Joined at St. John's on May 8/15 embarked for U.K. 17/6/15 | | | | | | | | | |
| Embarked for B.C. via Egypt 13/3/16 joined Batt. 9/4/16 | | | | | | | | | |
| Wounded Shanna 16/6/16 Ad. Surg. Lt. Hospital 4th | | | | | | | | | |
| 4th. Res. B.C. Staffing 17/6/16 Disch. of 1st award 17/6/16 | | | | | | | | | |
| D. W. Jones 18/6 | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Service forfeited as above | | | | | | | | | |

Towards Engagement to **18-6-16** (date of discharge) **1** years **44** days

C.R. 1519

Wm. J. Lannon was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on ... May 3rd, 1915...
Regimental No. 1519 was allotted to Pte Wm. J. Lannon.

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th, 1919.

C.R. 1519

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's for Overseas, per
S.S. "Calgarian" June 19, 1915. "P".

1519 Pte. Lannon W.J.

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Lanman

OR
Christian Name William Joseph

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Bell Island County G. F. L. I.

| | SPECIAL RESERVE. | | REGULAR ARMY. | |
|---|---|------------------|---------------|------------------|
| | Right | Left | Right | Left |
| Examined | on <u>5th</u> day of <u>May</u> 191 <u>5</u> | on | day of | 191 |
| | at <u>S. Johns</u> | at | | |
| Declared Age | <u>19</u> years | days | years | days |
| Trade or Occupation | <u>Miner</u> | | | |
| Height | <u>5</u> feet | <u>8</u> inches | feet | inches |
| Weight | | <u>130</u> lbs. | | lbs. |
| Chest Measurement | Girth when fully expanded | | | inches |
| | | <u>35</u> inches | | |
| | Range of expansion | | | inches |
| | | <u>2</u> inches | | |
| Physical Development | | | | |
| Vaccination Marks | Arm | | | |
| | Number | <u>1</u> | | |
| When Vaccinated | | | | |
| Vision | R. E.—V== | <u>6/9</u> | R. E.—V== | |
| | L. E.—V== | <u>6/9</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>Fred W. Burden</u> | | | |
| (Rank) | <u>Leut.</u> | | | |
| | Medical Officer. | | | Medical Officer. |
| Enlisted | at <u>S. Johns</u> | | at | |
| | on <u>6th</u> day of <u>May</u> 191 <u>5</u> | | on | day of 191 |
| Joined on Enlistment | Corps. | Regtl. No. | Corps. | Regtl. No. |
| | <u>1st G. F. L. I.</u> | <u>1519</u> | | |
| Transferred to | | | | |
| Became non-effective by | | | | |
| | on | day of | 191 | on |
| (Signature) | | | | |
| (Rank) | | | | |

III - Dates of arrival, departure, inoculation, etc.
 Foreign Service, Extension, Re-engagement, or Prolongation of Service, etc.
 Medical Appliances, Particulars of Dental Treatment, etc.

| Date | Brief Details, and Signature |
|--|--|
| May 20 th June 7 th " 25 th /15 | First Inoculation - 500 million Second " " - 1000 " Vaccinated at sea <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;"> <i>J</i> </div> |

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 |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| St. Johns Nfld | | | | | |

Regimental Number

THE
1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

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

H. J. Cannon

Witness

A. Burnham, M.P.

Dated at

February 2nd 1915

Newton - Oxy - Apr.

C.R. 1519

Dec. 18th 19

Mrs. Johanna Lannen,
Bell Island.

Dear Madam:

Information has been received from the
Pay & Record Office, London, regarding the location
of the grave of your son the late Pte. W.J. Lannon,
as follows:

Plot 1 - Row B - Grave No. 7, Beauval
Communal Cemetery, France.

Sincerely hoping that the above information
may be of some little consolation to you in your sad
bereavement.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.
Casualty Officer.

S.

18th August, 1916.

Sir,

I beg to forward you herewith Certificate of Death of No. 1519, Private W. J. Lannon, who Died of Wounds received in Action on the 17th June last. These papers will, no doubt, serve as proof of death, if such be required by his relatives or the insurance company.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

J. M. Howley, Esq.,
Deputy Paymaster,
City.

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

P. O. BOX No. 1242

TELEPHONE No. 361

CABLES AND TELEGRAMS TO
"PAYDEPT."
ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE
ADDRESSED TO THE
PAYMASTER

PAY DEPARTMENT

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

August 25th, 1916

The Hon J.R. Bennett,
Colonial Secretary,
City.

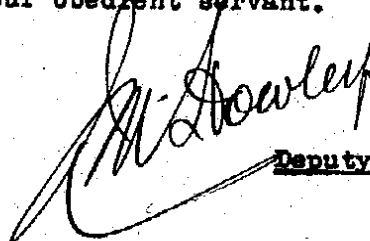
Sir:-

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 18th, enclosing Certificate of death of No.1519 Pte.J.Lannon, who died of wounds received in action on the 17th of June last, for which I thank you.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.



Deputy Paymaster.

C.R. 1519

Copy of Cablegram to Governor St. John's Nfld.
from P.&R.O. 19/6/16.

1519, Lannon. ✓

Wounded Dangerously June 17th.

C.R. 1519

Extract of Casualty List received from P.&R.O.

June 23rd. 1916.

1519, Pte W.J Lannon. ✓

Shrap. Wd. 16/6/16. Reptd by OG..Bn. 17/6/16.

C.R. 1519

Extract of Casualty List received from P.&R.O.
June 27th. 1916

1519, Pte W.J. Lannon. ✓

Died of Wounds (France).

The following Casualty in the 1/1 Nfld Regiment with
Expeditionary Force is reported under various date.

M

June 27, 1916.

Dear Madam,

It was with the greatest regret that the Government received a message from the Record Office, London, reporting that your son, Private William Joseph Lannon, had died of gunshot wound in the head on the 18th June.

Permit me to express to you on behalf of the Government, as well as for myself, the sincerest sympathy in this time of sorrow. We feel the loss of our loved ones but it will no doubt be a consolation to you to know that he died in defence of the principles of Righteousness Truth and Justice. He came forward bravely at the Call of Duty and was willing to make a noble stand for his King and Country. We are proud of our young men and we also esteem highly the unselfish fathers and mothers who so loyally gave their sons when the Call of Duty came. Your brave lad has laid down his earthly weapons, but I have no doubt he wears the soldier's Crown of Victory and in the Peace which we hope will come very shortly you will always be able to realize that he did his part to bring this about. His name will be inscribed upon the glorious Roll of Honour and be held in fragrant memory by all his fellow-countrymen. I pray that the Great Father of us all will give to you His comfort and presence at this time.

Believe me with the sincerest sympathy to be

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Johanna Lannon,

Counter No. _____

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

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.

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

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

John M. Lannon

Signature of Sender _____

Address _____

| Line Number | Rcd | By | Sent | by | Check |
|-------------|-----|----|------|----|-------|
| | | | | | |

Dated June 24, 1916.

To Rev. Fr. Nangle,
Bell Island.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, First Newfoundland Regiment, today reports No. 1519, Private William Joseph Lannon, son of Mrs. Johanna Lannon of Bell Island, died of gunshot wound in the head June eighteenth. Kindly inform relatives.

J.R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

1519 Lannon

FOR TYPEWRITER

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B 213 or Army Form A 30 or from other official documentary sources.

* JUN 26 1916
PAY & REGD.

REGIMENT } Newfoundland Regiment. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } Reinforcement.
or
CORPS }

Regtl. No. 1519 Rank Private

Name LAWSON, W. J.

Died { Date June 18th., 1916.

Place France.

Cause of Death * Died of wounds received in action, 17/6/16.

Nature and Date of Report Extract from Hospital Report, 18/6/16.

By whom made O.C., 57th. Field Ambulance.

* 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 Local Cemetery, Beauval, France.

Date 18/6/16.

By whom reported O.C., 57th. Field Ambulance.

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not to hand.
(b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not to hand.
(c) as a separate document Not to hand.

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 W. J. D. [Signature]
OFFICER I/A [Signature]

Station and Date St. Etienne, 21/6/16.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

EXTRACT of EFFECTS of

1579 Ph. J. Lannon deceased.

EXTRACT from A.F. B. 2090A, dated 24/6/46:

CAUSE OF DEATH: Wound received in action

DATE: 18/6/46 PLACE: France

WILL: (a) in Pay Book Copy Attached

(b) in Small Book _____

(c) Separate document _____

NEXT of KIN: Pharusa Lannon

Relationship: mother

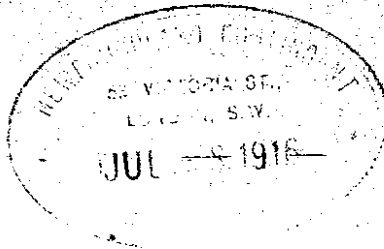
Address: Red Island

WJL

Particulars

- 1 Identity disc.
- 1 Set Shoreline Petrol.
- 1 Release form signed
- 1 Paper
- Post Cards.





*Forwarded with the Compliments
of the Secretary of the War Office.*

*Army Form Broyon for Private
W. Hannon was passed to you on
27/6/16.*

War Office,

Park Buildings.

7/7/1916.

FR

Infantry Section,
3rd. Echelon, B.E.F.
July 3rd., 1916.

The Paymaster,
Newfoundland Regiment,
58 Victoria Street,
London. S.W.

The following is a certified True Copy of the Will of
the late No. 1519, Pte. W.J. Lannon, 1st. Newfoundland Regiment.
Death Report was forwarded to you on June 24th., 1916.

"In the event of my death I give the whole of my property and
affects to my Mother, Mrs. Johanna Lannon, Main Street, Beer
Isle., C.B., Newfoundland".
June 1st., 1916.

A. J. Clerk

Capt. for Lt. Col.,
Officer i/c Infantry Records,
3rd. Echelon, B.E.F.

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| SI MEMORANDUM |
| PAY RECORDS |
| Def. No. 2190 |
| RECD. JUL - 6 1916 |
| Amtd. |
| File No. |

No. 1219 Rank Private

Name W. J. Lanman

Died of wound at France

on the 18th of June 1916

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 1.]

| Date | Dr. | £ | s. | d. | Cr. | £ | s. | d. |
|------|--|---|----|----|--|---|----|----|
| | Balance Dr. last month | * | | * | Balance Cr. last month 12th May 16 | 4 | 5 | |
| | Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated) | | | | Pay 37 days at 1 ¹⁰ from 13/5 to 18/6 49.70 | 8 | 7 | 3 |
| | 31 5 191 6 | | 10 | 6 | Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to | | | |
| | " | | | | Messing allowance days at from to | | | |
| | " | | | | Kit allowance | | | |
| | Allotment 37 days @ 70c \$25 ⁹⁰ | 5 | 6 | 6 | 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 | 6 | 15 | 3 | Balance due to the Paymaster | | | |
| | | £ | 12 | 12 | | £ | 12 | 12 |
| | | | | 3 | | | | 3 |

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

Dated at this

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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. 3090 or Army Form O. 1815.
(b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps Newfoundland

Regimental No. 1519

Rank Pte

Name Lannon

Enlisted (a) 6.5.16

Terms of Service (a) War

Service reckons from (a) _____

Date of promotion to present rank } _____

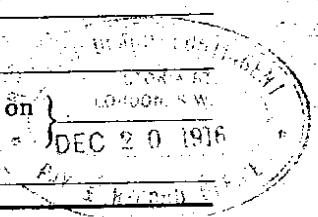
Date of appointment to lance rank } _____

Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. } _____

Extended _____

Re-engaged _____

Qualification (b) _____



| Report | | Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 56, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case. | Place | Date | Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 56, or other official documents. |
|-----------------|--------------------|--|---------------|----------------|--|
| Date | From whom received | | | | |
| | | <u>Disembarked Marseilles</u> | | <u>3.4.16</u> | |
| <u>877A</u> | | <u>Ad. G.S. W head Dangerously</u> | <u>France</u> | <u>16.6.16</u> | <u>Cable R 34891 18.6.16</u> |
| <u>Quit</u> | | <u>Shrapnel Wound Face</u> | <u>do</u> | <u>16.6.16</u> | <u>R 213 17.6.16</u> |
| <u>4 C.C.S.</u> | | <u>Admitted</u> | <u>do</u> | <u>17.6.16</u> | <u>E.D. 11104 18.6.16</u> |
| <u>Do.</u> | | <u>Died of Wounds</u> | <u>do</u> | <u>18.6.16</u> | <u>do</u> |

Sgt Fred J. Bull
Major for Lt. Col.
Office 1/c Infantry Records
3rd Echelon A.C.F.

G.H.C.
24.6.16

(a) In the case of a man (b) e.g., Signaller, Signaller, etc.

of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.

Nov. 5, 1919

Secretary,
Board of Pension Commissioners,
City.

Re #1519 Pte. Wm. J. Lannen.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your letter of March 19th.,
I beg to state that the amount paid in continuance
of the above mentioned soldier's allotment is,
Six hundred and eighty-nine dollars and fifty cents
(\$689.50).

Yours truly

Major
Paymaster.



September 15th., 1919.

Dear Colonel Rendell,

Mrs. Patrick Lannon has called to see me, she has given two sons to the Regiment, both of whom were killed in action, and her only one son remaining who was only a boy, served three years as a drummer with the Regiment here.

This case is a particularly hard one, as her husband, Mr. Lannon, is a man who earns only a small income, and I think that something should be done to help the family. Would you be good enough to consider the question of separation allowance for Mrs. Lannon when next you are taking these matters up. I feel sure you will see your way clear to do something for her.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col. W.F. Rendell,
Militia Dept..

November 8th, 1917.

Mrs. Johanna Cannon,

102 Wickford St. Barton's Hill

City.

Dear Madam,-

I enclose herewith cheque for £37.71,
being the balance due you as Administratrix of the
Estate of the late Eto. J. Cannon. I also enclose
letter of Administration.

Yours truly,

Capt. J. Rymaster

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

June 15191922

(60)

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. *1519* Rank *Plt.*
Name *William Joseph Lannon*
Royal Newfoundland Regt.



Mr. Johanna Lannon (Sgd.)

Mother of Deceased Relationship.

Address *93 Carters Hill*

Received the Memorial Plaque

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. 1519 Name W. J. Lannon

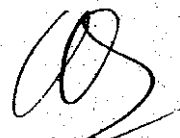
To Certify that I have received the AB 64 of the above
named Soldier.

Name Mr. P. Lannon

Date Sept. 2nd 1920

Place B. B. Carters Hill.

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



11th November, 1916.

Dear Madam,

I have the honour to inform you that I am now in receipt from the Pay and Record Office, London, of particulars of gravesites. No. 1519, Private W. J. Lannon, was buried on the 18th June, by the Officer Commanding the 87th Field Ambulance, in the Local Cemetery at Beauval, France.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Johanna Lannon,
Bell Island.