

FOR

# First Newfoundland Regiment

## ATTESTATION PAPER



Regimental No. 1284

Name in full Charles Leary Age 21

Address Brigus, E.B.

Married  Height 5ft 8 1/2 Weight 132

Single  Color Dark Hair Brown Eyes Blue

Other distinguishing marks Scar on Right Wrist

Nearest relative Mother (Margaret)

Address Brigus, E.B.

Dependents None

Occupation Fisherman Present Wage \$300 per year

Previous service

Decorations

General Remarks

Date of Enlistment March 15/15

*Charles Leary*  
*Attested*  
*March 15/15*

I, Charles Leary, 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.

*Charles Leary*

Declared before me this 30th day  
of March 1915

*J. J. [Signature]*  
*Lieut.*



C.R. 1284

Charlie Leary was attested for General service  
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on March 15th, 1915.  
Regimental No 284 was allotted to Pte. C. Leary

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th, 1919.

C.R. 1214

Extract from Memorial Roll, Submerged St. John's, for Overseas,  
per s.d., "Stephano" April 28, 1915.

1284 Pt. . Leary C.

Extract from Nominal Roll Co.1st.Bn.Nfld.Regt.

Embarked, at Devonport for Active Service 20-8-15

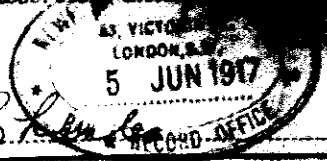
Disembarked Alexandria, 31-8-15, Proceeded to Sbasia,  
Cairo, same date, Embarked ~~for~~ Alexandria for Gallipoli  
15-9-15.

~~1284~~ 1284 Pts. O.L early.

1284

only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reserve

# MEDICAL HISTORY



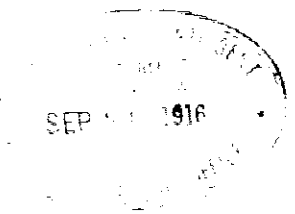
Surname Leary

Christian Name C. John

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Buigas County Newfoundland

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>5</u> day of <u>March</u> 19 <u>15</u> at <u>St John's</u>		on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	
Declared Age	<u>20</u> years _____ days		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Fisherman</u>			
Height	<u>5</u> ft	<u>8 1/2</u> inches		
Weight		<u>132</u> lbs		
Chest Measurement	<u>35</u> inches			
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks				
When Vaccinated				
Vision				
(a) Marks indicating exceptional peculiarities of structure of sense				
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection				
Approved by (Signature)	<u>C. J. [Signature]</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Capt</u>			
Enlisted	at <u>St John's</u> on <u>15</u> day of <u>March</u> 19 <u>15</u>		on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	
Joined on Enlistment	<u>1st Wfld</u> <u>1784</u>			
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
(Signature)				
(Rank)				





**DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY**

**NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT**

**COPY OF WILL**

**of**

**No. 1284, L/Opl. Charles Leary,**

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**In the event of my death I leave all my money to my wife  
Mrs, Charles Leary, Annfield Cottage, Annfield Road, Prestwick,  
Ayrshire, Scotland.**

**Signature, Charles Leary, No, 1284  
Rank and Regt, L Corporal**

**June 28nd 1917**

**CERTIFIED TRUE COPY.  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,**

**CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS.**

C.R. 1284

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record Office,  
London, dated July 31, 1916.  
(Extract from Army No. B 213, from O.C. 1st. Field. Regt.  
dated 11/7/16.)

#1284 Pte. C. Cleary. ✓

Wounded in Action 1/7/16.

C.R. 128 U

Copy of Cablegram to Governor St. John's Nfld.  
from P.&R.O. 6/7/16.

1284, Leary. ✓

At Wandsworth Gunshot Wound Right Arm/

**FIELD SERVICE.**

Army Form B. 2090A.

**ORIGINAL.**

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 C Coy.

Regimental No. 1284 Rank Lance-Corporal.

Surname Leary. Christian Names O.

Died { Date 9/10/17. Place France or Belgium  
Cause of Death\* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report N 813 d/12/10/17.

By whom made O.C. Unit.

**DUPLICATE.**  
COPIES SENT TO  
O.C. H.Q.  
ST. JOHNS, N.F.L.D.  
21 DEC 1917

\* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations, or from exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
By whom reported \_\_\_\_\_

State whether he leaves a Will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 54) 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.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.

Station and Date G.H.Q. 3rd. Echelon 15/10/17. Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

*[Signature]*  
**Snd. Lt. for Mjr.,**  
**Officer i/o No. 1 Infantry Section.**

Regiment or Corps Infantry  
 Regimental No. 1254 Rank Pvt Name C. Reary  
 Enlisted (a) 11/3/15 Terms of Service (a) one year Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of promotion to present rank \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment to lance rank \_\_\_\_\_ Numerical position on roll of N.C.O.s. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extended \_\_\_\_\_ Re-engaged 15/8/15 Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 212, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 212, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked at ... N.F.L.D.		30.4.15	
		Disembarked ...		1.9.15	
		Embarked ...		13.9.15	
		Embark'd Port ...		14.3.16	
		Disembk'd MARSEILLES		22.3.16	
	874A	ad. G.W.R. ...	Wewewe	27.6	80000
	874A	ad. G.W.R. ...	Wewewe	3.7.16	1st Lt. 537
	Western Australia	Transferred to England	874A - Wewewe	3 JUL 1916	W 300



Adler CAPTAIN.  
 FOR OFFICER INFANTRY RECORDS  
 G. H. Q.; 3rd ECHELON.

(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) As Signaller, Shooting Smith, etc., etc.; also special qualifications in individual Corps Section. (P.T.O.)

Regiment or corps *1st Battalion, 1st Cavalry*  
 No. *1284* Rank *Sgt.* Name *Henry C.*  
 Died (a) *Will 643 at France* on the *9<sup>th</sup>* of *Oct.* 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.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month .....				Balance Cr. last month <i>9.10.17</i> .....	<i>4</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>11</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 .....			
	<i>101</i>				Messing allowance days at from to .....			
	"				Kit allowance .....			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
	"				Amount of Saving Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
	Consolidated stoppage .....				Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<i>4</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>11</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		<i>£ 4</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>11</i>		<i>£ 4</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>11</i>

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 *21 MAR 1919* 191*7* 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.

(1)

18th Nov., 1917

From: Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent

To: Mrs. Charles Leary,  
Annfield Cottage  
Annfield Road, Ayr, N.S.

1284, L/Cpl. Leary, Deceased

Under the regulations of this Contingent, the widow of a deceased soldier is entitled to claim a pension. If you desire to claim for this, will you kindly complete and return the enclosed form, together with your marriage certificate, which will be returned to you again when finished with.

Allotment of pay made by L/Cpl. Leary in your favour ceased with the last payment made 26/10/17.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & Officer I/C Records,

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(2)

21/11/17

From:- Chief Paymaster & Officer I/C Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent

To:- Mrs. Agnes Leary,  
Annfield Cottage, Annfield Road,  
Ayr, N.S.

Madam:-

1284, L/Cpl. Charles Leary, Deceased

With reference to this office No. 12954/2, 12/11/17 and N.F.P. 78 completed by you; a pension of \$32.00 a month has been awarded to you and \$6.00 per month for your child, total \$38.00 (\$7:;6:2) per month from 10/10/17. In addition to the amount, you are awarded a gratuity of two months full pension \$76.00 (£15:2:4) for the first month. Postal Draft £19:7:3 is enclosed in respect of period 10/10/17 to 31/10/17 which represents the amount of pension due to 31/10/17, less allotment already paid for the period stated. In the event of your re-marriage your pension will cease, but you will be entitled to a gratuity of an amount equivalent to one year's pension.

I am, Madam,  
Your obedient servant

Major,

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

SEPARATION ALLOWANCE

1. Regimental No. and Rank

1284

L/6

Name (in full)

Charles Leary (Deceased)

Date of Discharge

Unit

Royal Wfld. Regt.

2. Name(s) of dependant(s) (in full)

Mrs. Agnes Leary

Relationship

Wife

Address

(If allowance is claimed for children, name and address of person with whom they reside should be stated)

Annfield Cottage,  
Prestwick, Ayrshire.

3. Ages of Children

Girls under 17 years

Boys " " "

Boy 1 Year.

4. Children's Guardian

Address

Mrs. Agnes Leary

5. Particulars of Allotment

Allottee

Address

Date effective from

£ \_\_\_\_\_ cents per day in favour

of \_\_\_\_\_

6. Date of Marriage

26<sup>th</sup> January 1917

7. Have you made previous claim, for Separation Allowance? If so, state particulars.

No.

8. Is Separation Allowance being paid on your account to anyone in Newfoundland or elsewhere?

No.

9. Name and address of your last Employer	_____
10. The amount of your salary or wages immediately prior to Enlistment.	_____
11. Are your wages or any portion being paid by your employer during your absence?	_____
12. If paid, what is the amount per month?	_____
13. Name of Corps prior to Enlistment in the Newfoundland Contingent.	_____

I CERTIFY that the above is a true statement

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Officer forwarding this Application.

Unit Royal Nfld. Regt.  
 Date May 2<sup>nd</sup>/19

FOR COMPLETION AT THE PAY & RECORD OFFICE.

Date Marriage Certificate examined \_\_\_\_\_

Date Birth Certificates (in case of children) examined \_\_\_\_\_

If Soldier is sole support, does Statutory Declaration accompany this Application? \_\_\_\_\_

**NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT**

**CLAIM FOR PENSION**

**EUROPEAN WAR**

NOTICE:- This certificate is to be returned not later than the 10th of EACH month or payment of your pension will be delayed.

I HEREBY SOLEMNLY DECLARE that my present name is  
 (Present name in full) Agnes Leary and that

I am entitled to a pension from the Colony of Newfoundland as the widow of

(Rank) Lance Corporal (Name) Charles Leary

and that I have NOT contracted marriage since my pension was first granted.

I am now residing at (place) Ann Field Cottage, Ann Field, St. John's  
 (Street and Number) Prestwick, Scotland

The following are true particulars of my children now alive, boys under 16 years and girls under 17 years of age:

Name in Full	Date of Birth		Name in Full	Date of Birth	
	Day and Month	Year		Day and Month	Year
<u>Jack Charles Leary</u>	<u>14<sup>th</sup> Day of May</u>	<u>1917</u>	<u>Jack Charles Leary</u>	<u>14<sup>th</sup> Day of May</u>	<u>1917</u>

Witness [Signature] Agnes Leary Signature of Recipient

During the months of January and July the following Certificate MUST be completed.

(To be signed by a Police Magistrate, or Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace, or Clergyman)

This is to certify that the foregoing declaration and signature were made by the above-named pensioner in my presence this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 1917 and I believe her to be the person she represents herself to be and that her children above-named are alive.

*[Handwritten notes and signatures on the left margin]*

[Signature] Signature  
J.P. Rank or Position  
[Address] Postal Address

ADD ANY REMARKS ON OTHER SIDE OF FORM.

C.R. 1284

# NEWFOUNDLAND PATRIOTIC FUND

PRESIDENT: HIS EXCELLENCY SIR W. E. DAVIDSON,  
K.C.M.G., GOVERNOR OF NEWFOUNDLAND

CHAIRMAN, HON. SIR, E. R. BOWRING, K.T., M.L.C.  
VICE-CHAIRMAN, HON. M. P. CASHIN  
(MINISTER OF FINANCE)

HON. TREASURER, J. S. MUNN, ESQ.,  
(PRESIDENT BOARD OF TRADE)  
HON. SECRETARY, HON. P. T. MCGRATH, LL.D.,  
(PRESIDENT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL)

*St. John's, Newfoundland.*

April, 17th, 1918. 191

J. R. Bennett, Esq.,  
Acting Minister of Militia,  
City.

Sir,-

Mrs. Leary, widow of #1284 Lance Corporal Charles Leary of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, came to St. Johns recently, with a view to living with her late husband's people at Brigus, but after visiting Brigus and finding conditions uncongenial, she has decided to return to Scotland.

She applied to Hon. Sir P.T. McGrath to ascertain if any-thing could be done in the way of providing passage for herself and her child, and I have been directed to ask, if arrangements could be made through the Militia Department, to have her sent home with the next draft that sails Over Seas.

If passage can be arranged for her the matter of the cost of same will be considered by the Trustees of the Patriotic Fund.

Kindly let me know at your earliest convenience, if facilities can be afforded for returning Mrs. Leary to Scotland.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant.

  
Act. Secretary.

Miss Charles Leary  
Annfield Cottage  
Annfield Rd  
Preston  
Scotland

John's

Dec. 23rd 1918

10053.

Major H. A. Timewell,  
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/o Records,  
London.

Mrs. Agnes Leary, widow of  
1284 L/Cpl. C. Leary, deceased

Sir:-

I have the honour, by direction, to advise you that pension has been paid to the marginally noted up to and including January 31st.

It will be in order for you to continue her pension at the rate of \$38.00 per month as from Feby. 1st 1919.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

The Secretary,

THE BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS FOR Nfld.

PER *[Signature]*

CCO/LBD.

**DUPLICATE.**

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

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
OFFICE OF THE

H.F.P/55.

HIGH COMMISSIONER ~~Pay & Record Office,~~  
FOR NEWFOUNDLAND. 58, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W.,

To: David Shaw

Local Merchant

February 26, 1920

Amfield Merchant N.B.

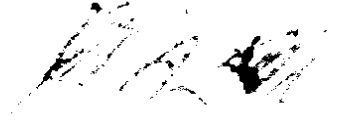
Reference: Invoice with bearing

Herewith Money Order 34007 £1-12-10 being  
Amount due for period 1/3/20 - 31/3/20

Please acknowledge receipt hereon.

(Sig.) J. Shaw

(Date) 16/3/20.



Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records

ANNFIELD.

Prestwick,

March

1920

Amfelo

Prestwick.

TO DAVID SHAW,

COAL MERCHANT.

Accounts Monthly.

Regards pension of child of 1284 Lpc Leary.  
I find present money unable to meet cost  
of upkeep for child and would be much  
obliged if ~~this~~ this matter could be looked  
to.

I am  
Yours fully  
D. H. Shaw

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Mr. D. Shaw,

Annfield,

March 19th 20

Prestwick.

With reference to your letter "March 1920"  
(574) the pension payable to the child of the  
late No. 1234, L/Cpl. Leary being the full amount  
allowed it is regretted that no increase can be  
made, please.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.

1251/2.

22nd September, 1920.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with instructions received from the Board of Pension Commissioners in Newfoundland, I am directed by the High Commissioner to inform you that authority has been given for an increase of pension on account of 1284 Leary by twenty per cent.

Cheque for £2:10:2 being amount due for the nine months ending 30th September, 1920, is enclosed herewith.

In future your rate of pension will be £1:10:5 per month, commencing the 1st of October, 1920.

Yours faithfully,

*W.S.*  
Secretary.

Mr. David Shaw,  
"Amfield"  
Frestwick,  
Ayrshire.

ANNFIELD,

Prestwick, October 19

1920

Amfield

Prestwick

To DAVID SHAW,

COAL MERCHANT,

Dear Sir,

I now write this on behalf of my father to thank you for the return of my Brother-in-law's Pay Book which I must thank you very much for restoring same and also to the N.I.L.D. Government. As Mrs Leary is remarried her married name now being Mrs Wicks she is resident in N.I.L.D. but as her little boy is with us we shall keep it for him. Thanking you once more.

I remain,  
Yours Truly,  
Margaret Shaw  
for D. Shaw.

Pos IN 1225  
OCT 26 1920

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. 1281 Name Chary

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

By David Shaw

Date Oct. 16 1920

Place Amfida Prestwick

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

13/11/20  
W)

1284

RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA ST. JOHN'S  
NEWFOUNDLAND 1914-1915 STAR BELONGING TO THE LATE PTE.  
G. HEARY. ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

NAME..... *David Shaw*

DATE..... *April 27/2/1920*

REGIMENTAL NUMBER 1284.

*AP*

RECEIPT.

I hereby certify that I have received the 1914-1915

STAR.

No. 13811 Name

*John X. ...*

Witness. Alice ...

Date Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> 1919

*T. Cover, Please*

Place Peru ...

● I hereby acknowledge the receipt of the *British War and Victory Medals.*

Date Oct 5th 1921

Regtl. No. 1284 (Heavy)

Rank Royal N.I.D.

Signature David Shaw

337/1.

12th May, 1921.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by the High Commissioner to inform you that you have not acknowledged an H.F.P./55 amount of epnsion sent you on the 30th of March, covering the period 1/4/21 - 30/4/21.

It is strictly essential that this form be completed and returned to this office as soon as possible.

In the event of the original having been mislaid, duplicate copy is enclosed herewith.

Yours faithfully,

Encl.

Secretary.

David Shaw, Esq.,  
Amfield,  
Frestwick,  
Ayrshire.

H/R.

58. Magdalen Place  
Ashley Rd  
Bristol

17th Aug. 25

Dear Sirs,

My nephew John Teany has now  
got definitely settled with another  
sister. I only brought him back  
but further arrangements. Obed to  
made for him with you kindly  
forward ~~as~~ certificates & Pension  
to this address below in future.

Mrs A. Lyon

142. Dochalsh Rd

Inverness. Scotland.

Thanking you very much.

Yours Faithfully

Mrs. Pether (Mrs)

Wm

1442, Locust Row  
Roveres NT

W. Hutchings Esq.

Dear Sir I am writing  
regards pension of 1294  
as I am now in charge of  
son at above address, I am afraid  
I will find pension insufficient  
Everything was different during  
the time my father David Shue  
was living when he kept him  
on extras etc. now he getting  
older he requires more in  
everyway. Especially in clothes  
and schooling. If you should  
see your way to advise extra  
or for clothes alone I would  
esteem it a great favour.

Thanking you in anticipation

Yours Faithfully

(Mrs)

Margaret Shue

5th September, 1928.

Dear Madam,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter (undated) and in reply to inform you that it is regretted we are unable to increase the allowance payable to you in respect of the child of the late No. 1284, C. Leary, Newfoundland Regiment. We are, however, taking the matter up with the Board of Pension Commissioners in Newfoundland and on receipt of their reply we shall advise you accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Mrs. M.S. Ryan,  
142, Larchmont Road,  
Inverness,  
N.S.

142. Lockhart St  
Inverness.

March 1st. 1928

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High Commissioner for Newfoundland  
57 Victoria St  
London W.C.

Dear Sir.

It will probably be of no interest to you, but I thought I would inform you of the death of the widow of Mr. Chas. Leary on Nov 5th. 1928 at Boston U.S.A. in case of any further inquiries they can be addressed to me ~~as~~ being her sister. The boy will be with us permanently now.

Yours Truly  
Mrs Helen Leary

5th March, 1929.

Dear Madam,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 1st March advising that your sister, the widow of the late Charles Leary, died at Boston, Mass, U.S.A. on the 5th November, 1928, and note that your nephew will be residing with you in the future and that all future enquiries should be addressed to you.

I am sorry to hear this sad news and please accept my deepest sympathy.

Yours faithfully,

Officer Paying Newfoundland Pensions.

Mrs. Alex. Lyon,  
142, Leithalsh Road,  
Inverness,  
Scotland.

