

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 3493 Name John Thomas Major Corps Cof E.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your name? John Thomas Major
2. What is your full Address? Harris point
Connetquot
3. Are you a British Subject? yes
4. What is your age? 19 Years 4 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? } II. yes

I, John Thomas Major 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.

John Thomas Major SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

Arthur Burgess Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, John Thomas Major 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 on this 26th day of Feb 1917

Signature of Attesting Officer Mark R. Ayre

†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 compiled with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the:

If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date 1917

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)

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Extract from Daily Orders Part II Unit The Royal Nfld.
Regt., St. John's, Feb. 26th, 1917.

3493 Pte. J. Thos. Major.

Attached to Strength from Feb. 26th, 1917.

C.R. 3493

Extract from Nominal Roll embarked St. John's for Overseas 7/4/17

#3493 Pte, J. Major.

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Army Form B. 178.

To be used for recruits enlisting direct into the Regular Army only.
Army Form B. 178^a to be used for Special Reserve recruits
and Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY of

Surname Major Christian Name John Thomas

TABLE I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace ... Parish _____ County _____

Examined ... { on 26th day of Feb 1917
at St Johns

Declared Age ... 19 years 4 days.

Trade or Occupation ... Fisherman

Height ... 5 feet, 6 inches.

Weight ... 142 lbs.

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully Expanded. 36 1/2 inches.
Range of Expansion 4 1/2 inches.

Physical Development ... _____

Vaccination Marks { Arm ... Right _____ Left _____
Number _____

When Vaccinated ... _____

Vision ... { R.E.—V— 6/6
L.E.—V— 6/6

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease ... _____

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection ... _____

Approved by (Signature) (Sgd) F.W. Burden
(Rank) Lieut Medical Officer.

Enlisted ... { at St Johns
on 26th day of Feb 1917

Corps.	Regtl. No.
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.	<u>3493</u>
Transferred to ...	

Became non-effective by _____
on _____ day of _____ 1917
(Signature) _____
(Rank) _____

Table II.—Only for Admissions to Hospital or to the Sick List in the case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.

Name of Hospital	Admitted to Hospital		Discharged from Hospital		Disease	Number of days in Hospital	Remarks bearing on the cause, nature, or treatment of the case, likely to be of interest for future use. In cases of syphilis, admissions and re-admissions to hospital will be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars of treatment out of hospital, transfers, etc., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.	Signature of Medical Officer
	Day	Month	Year	Day				
<p>W. A. S. General. 17th Avenue C. A. S. W. Sectoral</p>	3	4	18	7	6	18	<p>See Extracts Apr 1917 (Slight) Pneumonia developed about time of admission to Sick List General Sept 17 After Empyema Staphylococci found in fluid. Transient discharge. 7 B Present Spontaneous 13/6/18. At time of admission here Recto with offensive discharge from old empyema opening. Caecostomy Died 7/6/18</p> <p>Patient died 2.45 am June 7th 1918.</p>	<p>Col W. A. MacGowan C. A. S. W. Capt. J. G. S. Major R. D. M. C. (17) Regt. Major Gen. S. H. H.</p>

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps ROYAL BATTALION Name Major J. T.
 No. 3493 Rank Pte on the 7th of June 1918.
 Died (a) Intestate at France on the of 191 .
 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 <u>7/6/18</u>	11	14	5
	<i>Cash issues</i> (Date of each issue to be stated) £ s. d.				Pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	191-				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	"				Messing allowance days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	"				Kit allowance			
	Consolidated stoppage							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	11	14	5	Balance due to the Paymaster			
	£	11	14	5	£	11	14	5

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to / / and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, ~~and that the debtor balance of £~~ _____ ~~is correctly chargeable against the Public^(b).~~ NT,

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____ 191 . *[Signature]*
 Paymaster RDS.

(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.

C.R. 3493

Extract of Casualty received from Pay & Record Office,
London, dated December 4, 1917.

#3493 Pte. J. Major.

Wounded 20/12/17.

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAMS

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____ Address _____

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check
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Dated December 1, 1917.

To Mr. George Major,
Norris Point,
Bonne Bay.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No. 3493, Private John T. Major, was at Third Australian General Hospital, Abbeyville, November twentyfirst suffering from gunshot wound left thigh.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you and trust that next report will be of his convalescence.

R. A. SQUIRES,
Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

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EXTRACT OF CASUALTY RECEIVED FROM PAY & RECORD OFFICE

LONDON , DATED 17/3/18

O.C. 3rd London General Hospital, S.W. 18 reports

17/3/18

Seriously ill, Empyema

3493, Private J. Major

CP. 3493

EXTRACT OF CASUALTY RECEIVED FROM RECORD OFFICE, LONDON
DATED 4TH June, 1918

3493, Private T.J. Major at St. James Infirmary
Balham, Dondon is dangerously ill (Condition very
critical)

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender W. J. Rendell Address Dept of Militia

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated

June 4th 1918

To

Mr. G. Major, Morris Point, Bonne Bay

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London,

officially reports No. 3493, Private John T. Major

at St. James Infirmary, Balham, dangerously ill condition critical.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

W. J. Rendell, Lieut. Col.

Minister of Militia.

for

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.P. 3493

Extract from Telegram received from London, dated
June 7th, 1918.

Died of Tuberculosis St. James Infirmary London
June 7th 3493 Major,

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS

Counter No. _____



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Signature of Sender _____

Address Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check
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Dated June 9th, 1918

To Church of England Minister or School Teacher, Norris Pt.
Bonne Ba

Regret to inform you that No. 3493, Private John Major died of tuberculosis at St. James Infirmary, Balham London June 7th Please inform next of kin.

W.F. Rendell, Lieut. Col.
C.S.O.
for Minister of Militia.

FOR TYPEWRITER

Center and Telegrams:
"SYNOPTICAL" London.

Telephone:
VICTORIA 147.

Communications to be addressed to the
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE,
and the following No. quoted:

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

MEMORANDUM.

No. 9471/500/R.&O.

From
PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,
58, VICTORIA STREET,
LONDON, S.W.
12th June, 1918.

To

SUBJECT:

5495 PTE. J.T. MAJOR, DECEASED.

Reference Nos.

REPLY

Dated

July 8th

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Please return **ORIGINAL** and retain **DUPLICATE.**

I beg to inform you that the late Pte. J.T. Major, of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment, was buried, with full military honours, at Brockwood Cemetery on 11/6/18. The Firing Party and Bugle Party consisted of men from the South African Forces. A lament was played by the South African Pipers from the Station to the Cemetery. The Service was conducted by Major Mackenzie Gibson, C.F. The coffin was covered with the Union Jack, and was drawn on a carriage by representatives from the Dominions beyond the Seas. Pte. Major was buried in Grave No. 181064. A wreath was laid upon the coffin, sent by the Newfoundland War Contingent Association. Amongst those who attended at the graveside was 368, Sgt. W. G. Roberts, who represented the Pay & Record Office, London.

The Last Post was sounded and a volley of three rounds blank fired at 1.40 p.m.

The Next of Kin has been duly notified.

Lieut. Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer,
for Minister of Militia.


Major,
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

HA/JC

C.R. 3493

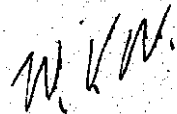
July 6, 1918

Mr. George Major,
Norris Point,
Boone Bay.

Dear Mr. Major:-

I regret to inform you that we have been notified by mail from our Record Office, London, stating that your son #3493 Pte. J. T. Major was buried, with full military honours, at Brookwood Cemetery, 11-6-18. Grave No. 181064.

Yours sincerely,



Lieut.

for Lieut. Col. C.S.O.

C.R. 3493

Sept. 13th, 1918

Mr. George Major,

Norris Point

Dear Mr. Major:-

I am writing to inform you that it is my regrettable duty to forward to you one Attache Case containing the effects of your late son, No. 3493, Private John Thomas Major, 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,



Lieut.

Casualty Officer.

Encl.

PERSONAL EFFECTS.

Name Major John
 No. 3493 Rank MAJ
 Regiment R Newfoundland

Article	Where stored	Notified by
1 <u>Wristlet Case</u> with key on Chain Containing:— 1 <u>pkt. Postcards</u> Polishing outfit.		
2 <u>Metal Watch & Chain</u> 1 <u>Net Bag</u> - 1 <u>Pocket Book</u> 3 <u>Shaving Soap</u> - 1 <u>plug Tobacco</u> 1 <u>Shaving Brush</u> - 1 <u>pr Scissors</u>		Final Disposal
2 <u>Toilet Brushes</u> 1 <u>Rayn (Ordinary)</u> 3 <u>pr Socks</u> 1 <u>Rayn (Rafets)</u> 3 <u>Belts</u> 7 <u>Handkerchiefs & Collars</u>		
1 <u>Rayn (Strip)</u> 1 <u>Strip</u> 1 <u>Comforter (roll)</u>		
2 <u>Badges</u> 1 <u>pr Shoes (New)</u> 1 <u>pkt Cigs</u>		

Remarks:— Deceased.

Next of Kin
George Major
Norris Point
Boume Bay

SHIPPED BY STEAMER 'NEWCASTLE'

A. E. BROOKE,
STEWARD.
TELEPHONE No.
BATTERSEA 866.

*St. James Infirmary,
Cuseley Road,*

Balham, 11th June 1918
S.W.

(NEAREST STATION WANDSWORTH COMMON.)

re Pte. John Major (deceased). No. 3493. Royal Newfoundland
Regt.

Cash \$2 17. 7d
1 packet of pictorial post cards.
2 metal watches and 1 chain.
Polishing outfit.
1 pocket book.
1 net bag.
shaving soap (3).
Tobacco (1 plug)
Shaving brush.
Tooth brushes (2)
Scissors.
1 Razor (ordinary) and 1 safety.
7 Handkerchiefs.
3 pr. Socks.
2 belts 1 razor strop
2 collars (soft)
Packet of cigarettes.
Woolen Comforter.
1 knife 2 badges.
Leather attache case. *with Key on Chain*
1 pair shoes (new)

*Notes 2.10.0
Silver 7.6
Copper 1*

2.17.7

1338.
ALB

July 28, 1919

George Major,
Morris Point,
St. Barbe Dist.

J. C. R.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith cheque for
\$68.55 balance of estate of late Pte. J. T. Major
due you as Administrator.

I am also enclosing herewith
Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,

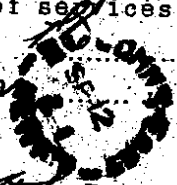
Capt.
J. C. R.

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

.....1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 3493 Rank
Name John T. Major
Royal Newfoundland Regt.



George Major (Sgd.)

Wm. Pt. B. B. B. Relationship.

Address Wm. Pt. B. B. B.

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form

Number of Sheet

Signature of O. C. Company *Max...*

Regiment of *1st Newfoundland*

Forms B. 121. 30.

Regimental Number and Name

No. *3493*
 Major *John Thomas*
 Date _____
 Date _____
 Date _____
 Date _____

Enlistment

Age on *19* years *4* months
 Place and Date of Enlistment *St. John's N.B.*
 Period of *2 1/2* years.
 with Reserve *3 1/2* years.

Trade

Subaltern

Religion

Ep. C.

Place of Birth

Cases of Drunkenness

Rank

Date of Offence

Place

OFFENCE

Names of Witnesses

Punishment awarded

Date of award of order dispensing with trial

By whom awarded

REMARKS

Awarded J.B. 1st Lt. James Infirmary (Balkans) 1.10.17

To be carried over