

# THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 4856 Name Augustus Miles Corps C. of E

### Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <p>1. What is your name? .....</p> <p>2. What is your full Address? .....</p> <p>3. Are you a British Subject? .....</p> <p>4. What is your age? .....</p> <p>5. What is your Trade or Calling? .....</p> <p>6. Are you Married? .....</p> <p>7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? .....</p> <p>8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? .....</p> <p>9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? .....</p> <p>10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? .....</p> <p>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? .....</p> | <p>1. <u>Augustus Miles</u> .....</p> <p>2. <u>Bonaville</u><br/><u>B B</u> .....</p> <p>3. <u>yes</u> .....</p> <p>4. <u>29</u> Years - <u>    </u> Months .....</p> <p>5. <u>clerk</u> .....</p> <p>6. <u>no</u> .....</p> <p>7. <u>no</u> .....</p> <p>8. <u>yes</u> .....</p> <p>9. <u>yes</u> .....</p> <p>10. Name .....</p> <p>        Corps .....</p> <p>11. <u>yes</u> .....</p> |
|---|---|

I, Augustus Miles 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.

A  
1-5-18

.....Augustus Miles..... SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
.....James Arkle..... Signature of Witness.

### OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Augustus Miles 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 endorsed as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at St Johns on this 1st day of May 1918

Signature of Attesting Officer James Arkle

### †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.....  
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.

Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former service, and to produce, if possible, his Certificate of Character, which should be returned to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink re-enlisted in the (Regiment) .....

Name Augustus Miles  
 Apparent age 29 years - months. Height 5 feet 3 1/2 inches

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 35 inches  
 Range of expansion 3 inches

Distinctive marks \_\_\_\_\_

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Mrs Susan Miles  
Bonavista | Relationship mother

Particulars as to Marriage

(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow.		(b) Place and date of marriage.	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)

Particulars as to Children

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or Depot	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Empl.	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 <u>1-5-18</u>									
Joined at <u>St. Johns</u> on <u>1-5-18</u>									
<u>Embarked St. Johns train to Halifax N.S. 1-6-18.</u>									
<u>Seriously ill Hazel, Camp Hospital "Anemia" 30-9-18.</u>									
<u>Disch from Anemia at Halifax Hosp. Hazel down. 1-10-18.</u>									
<u>Buried on October 4<sup>th</sup> in Grave No 497, Hagston Hill Cemetery near</u>									
<u>Manchester, Nants County, Ont.</u>									
<u>Died Anemia Manchester 1-10-18</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Service towards Engagement to 1-10-18 (date of discharge) \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ days  
 Pensions \_\_\_\_\_

C.R. 4836

Extract from daily order no 11, from Unit the Royal  
Field. Sgt. J. John's, dated May 2nd, 1918.

#4856 Pte. Augustus Miles.

Attended for General Service with the Royal Field. Sgt.  
from 1/8/18.

C.R. 14856

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11. from Unit The Royal Nfld.,  
Regiment, St. John's, dated June 14th 1918.

4855 Pte A. Miles

Embarked for Overseas with draft 11-6-18.

Table I.—GENERAL STATE

Birthplace:—Parish Bonnavista County Nfld

	SPECIAL RESERVE		REGULAR ARMY	
	on	day of	on	day of
Examined	1	May		191
at	<u>St Johns</u>		at	
Declared Age...	29	years		days
Trade or Occupation	<u>Clerk</u>			
Height	5	feet	34	inches
Weight		118		lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded		35	inches
	Range of Expansion		3	inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
	/		/	
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R.E.—V— 6/6	L.E.—V— 6/6	R.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)	<u>Samuel Paterson</u>			
(Rank)	Major			
	Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at	<u>St Johns</u>	at	
	on	1 day of May 1918	on	day of 191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps	<u>The Royal</u>	Regtl. No.	<u>1856</u>
		<u>Nfld Regt</u>		
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by	on	day of 191	on	day of 191
(Signature)				
(Rank)				





To: - The Chief Paymaster,  
Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
58 Victoria Street,  
London, S.W.

Sir: -

Please charge the amount set opposite my name to my account and pay it to the N.W.C.A. "Prisoners of War Fund" in quarterly instalments for the period of the year.  
Commencing on the 1st July 1918.

Regtl. No.	Rank	Name	Amount	Signature
4856	Pte	Miles, A	£250	A Miles

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

Date July 9/18

A Miles

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPH

## Cable Connection with all the World

### 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.

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I request that the following Telegram may be forwarded according to the foregoing Conditions, by which I agree to abide.

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender \_\_\_\_\_ Address Militia Department

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated

October 1st, 1918

To

Mrs. Susan Miles, Bonavista

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No.4856 Private Augustus Miles is at Hazley Camp Hospital seriously ill pneumonia September 30th

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

J. R. Bennett.

Minister of Militia.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 4856

Extract from Telegram received from Synoptical,  
London, dated October 3rd, 1918

Died at Hazeley Camp Hospital October 1st, 1918  
4856 Miles.

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Signature of Sender \_\_\_\_\_ Address Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated Oct. <sup>3</sup>~~2~~, 1918

To Mrs. Susan Miles. Bon vista

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No. 4856, private Augustus Miles died at Hasleoy Down Camp Hospital, Winchester, England on Oct. 2, from pneumonia.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J.R. Bennett

Minister of Militia.

#### NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

This Message is not to be delivered until Receiving Office notifies that Message to Church of England Minister or School Teacher

has been received and acted upon

**FOR TYPEWRITER**

REGIMENT or CORPS } Royal Field Regt. } Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } G Company

Regtl. No. 4856 Rank Private

Name Miles, Augustus

Date and Place of Birth 1/5/1889 - Bonavista

Trade or Calling Clerk

Enlisted—When and Where 1/5/18 St. John's.

Died { Date 1/10/18  
Place Hazeley Down Camp Hospital, Winchester.  
Cause of Death\* Pneumonia

\*Specially state if 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 (including heat-stroke) while on military duty (annex a separate statement showing fully the circumstances in which the injury was received).

Account, or (in India) Casualty Return, in which the not-effective balance will probably be included

Whether he leaves a Will or not Not known  
(Any Will to be sent by forwarded with this Report.)

Whether in receipt of an annuity for meritorious service, or distinguished conduct

Medals, if entitled to any, and how disposed of

Whether known or supposed to have been married

If married, whether on married Establishment

Name and address of widow and children, if any

Latest information as to Kin (if any known) with address { Mrs. Annie Miles, (Mother)  
Bonavista.

Small Book to be forwarded with this report. If not, explanation must be given.

I hereby certify that the next of kin has been informed.

Geo. M. Emerson, Lieut. Colonel 2nd Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Station and date Winchester 2/10/18. Transmitted 2nd Oct. 1918.

B.J. Barton, Lieut. Colonel

Nov. 16th, 1918

Mrs. Susan Miles,  
Bonavista.

Dear Madam:-

I beg to inform you that information has been received by this Department from Pay & Record Office, London, to the effect that your son, No. 4856, Pte. H.A. Miles, was buried on Oct. 4th, 1918 in Grave No. L.97, Magdalen Hill Cemetery, near Winchester. Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.

Casualty Officer,  
For Minister of Militia.

C.R. 48

Feb. 14th 1918

Mrs. Sarah Miles,  
Benavista.

Dear Mrs. Miles:

It is my regrettable duty to have to forward to you one package containing effects which belonged to your late son No. 4856 Pte. Aug. Miles, of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Herewith enclosed you will find receipt, kindly sign same and return at your earliest convenience.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement and in the added sorrow that the receipt of these effects must entail.

Yours sincerely,



Lieut.

Casualty Officer.

No. of Paper 1387

**PERSONAL EFFECTS.**

Name Miles, A.H. **C.R.** 4856

Rank Private Regiment 1st New Zealand Regiment

Article	Where stored	Notified by
1 Package containing: 1 Prayer Book 1 Note Book 8 Letters 4 Photos 1 P. Card.		<i>Shipped to Newfoundland.</i>
	Final disposal	

Remarks :- *Died of Pneumonia 1/10/18*  
Next of Kin :- *Mother: Mrs Susan Miles, Bonavista*

CR 4856

RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.

ONE PACKAGE CONTAINING LETTER NO OF THE FILE NO. 4856  
PAC. REG. MOUNT.

ISSUED *Susanah Miles.*

*Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> 1919..*

*The Bank of Nova Scotia,*

4638

BONAVISTA, NFLD.

Apr. 11th., 1919.

The Paymaster,  
Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
St. John's.

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Dear Sir:-

This letter has reference to Pte. Augustus Miles, No. 4856 of Bonavista who enlisted in April of 1918 and died in hospital at Hazeley Down Camp, Winchester, on Oct. 1st. of 1918.

Mrs. Susannah Miles, Pte. Miles' mother, a widow whose sole support, we understand, was her son, has asked us to write you regarding the Separation Allowance which should have been sent to her on account of her son. She receives her Allotment regularly but has never been in receipt of any money for Separation Allowance.

Will you kindly look into this matter and advise us. It may be that the son did not take the necessary steps to secure this extra money for his mother and that he and she both presumed that the authorities would send her it acting on their own initiative.

Thanking you in advance for the favor of a reply.

Yours very truly,



Manager.

Regiment or corps **ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT**  
 No. **4856** Rank **Private** Name **Miles A.**  
 Died (a) Intestate **at Hazley Hospital, Winchester.** on the **1st** of **October** **1918**  
 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 <b>1/10/18</b> .....	2	4	4
	Cash issues (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 .....			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
	Consolidated stoppage .....							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	2	4	4	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
	£	2	4	4	£	2	4	4

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).

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 191\_\_\_\_\_

*[Signature]*  
 CHIEF MASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS  
 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.

ALLOWANCE.

Claimant... *Mrs. Susannah (Mother)*

On account of *Aug 50 Miles* No. *4856* Rank... *Pvt*

Decision... *Approved.*

*J. R. Bennett*  
*W. F. Rydell Lt Col*  
*M. Rowley Capt*

Date... *5/5/19*

Instructions.....

Allotment of *60¢* per *day* payable to *Mrs Edmund Miles*  
his *Mother* from *1/6/18* to *still current*  
Discontinued on account of

*A. Pike*

May 10th., 1919

Mrs. Susannah Miles,  
Benavista.

Dear Madam:-

Referring to your application for retroactive Separation Allowance, I beg to state that same has been approved, I enclose cheque for Two hundred and twenty dollars (\$220.00) in payment thereof.

Yours truly

Captain,  
Paymaster & C. i/o Records

C.R. 4856

August 25th 1919.

Mrs. Susannah Miles,  
Benavista.

Dear Mrs. Miles:

I am sending under a separate cover, photograph of the grave of your late son No. 4856 Pte. A. Miles, who was buried in Magdalen Hill Cemetery near Winchester, Hants Grave No. 497, which we received from London a few days ago.

Yours faithfully,

Lt. Col.  
Chief Staff Officer.

October 17, 1919

Mrs. Susannah Miles,  
Bonavista.

Dear Madam:

I enclose cheque for \$43.78  
balance of estate of your late son, Pte. A. Miles  
due you as Administratrix of his estate.

I also enclose Letters of  
Administration.

  
Yours truly,

Major  
PAYMASTER & C i/c RECORDS

IM-  
Enc. 3

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 43<sup>78</sup><sub>4x</sub>

Oct 3 1919

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of forty three <sup>78</sup> Dollars.  
~~on account~~ of Pay Estate  
balance

Ch. No. 14296	Initials J. C. R.
Pay Ledger 44	Initials C. W.
Gen. Ledger	Initials

Regtl. No. J. C. R.  
Rank

Dec. 28th, 1919

C.R. 4856

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

C.R.

R  
Dear Madam

I am forwarding to you herewith under registered cover a Memorial Scroll, which is intended as a solace for bereavement suffered and as a memento of one who laid down his life for right and freedom. And we are commanded by His Majesty the King to forward to you also the accompanying message.

I should be glad if you will kindly acknowledge receipt of both at your early convenience.

Yours faithfully,

*W. A. Readell* Lieut.-Col.,  
Chief Staff Officer.

Mrs. Susan Miles

Bonavista

*Received enclosure OK.*  
*(Mrs) Susan Miles*



**ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE**

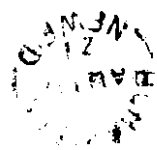
To the Officer in Charge of Records,

***The Royal Nfld. Regt.***

***Dept. of Militia,***

***ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.***

NO STAMP REQUIRED



Dept. of Militia,  
St. John's.

Aug 1



I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 4856 Rank 1st Lt  
Name Augustus Miles  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.  
Sushannah Miles (Sgd.)  
Mother Relationship.  
Address Bonavista

001 1911.

The accompanying ~~Victory Medal~~ British War Medal  
is/are forwarded herewith to

Mrs. Susan Miles (Mother)

in respect of his service as No. 4856 Rank Pte.

Name Augustus Miles Royal Nfld. Regt. [REDACTED]

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Victory Medal.

Signature Susan Miles

Date Oct 25 21.

Address Bonavista

[P.T.O.]

Bonaville

Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> /21

Department of Militia  
St. Johns  
Newfld.

Dear Sirs: —

Received (with thanks)  
photograph of the grave of my son

No. 4856. Plé. A. Miles

Yrs faithfully  
Susantha Miles