

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

ATTESTATION OF

No. 1664 Name James Robert Morris Corps _____

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your name? 1. James Robert Morris
2. What is your full Address? 2. Robinsons Head
St. George
3. Are you a British Subject? 3. Yes
4. What is your Age? 4. 23 Years 6 Months.
5. What is your Trade or Calling? 5. Railroadway
6. Are you Married? 6. No
7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? 7. No
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? 8. Yes
9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? 9. 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 Robert Morris 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 Robert Morris SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

E. June 26/15 Montgomery Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, James Robert Morris 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 at St. Johns Head on this 27 day of July 1915.

Montgomery Signature of the Attesting Officer.

† 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 _____ 1915 _____
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, the 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. 1624

Jas. R. Morris was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on June 26th 1915
Regimental No 624 was allotted to Pte J.R. Morris.

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

Regimental Number 1644

Company J.

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 James P. Morris

Witness James P. Morris

Dated at Newton - with School

March 27th 1916.

C.R. 1624

Extract from Nominal Roll of Royal Nfld. Regt. Draft.

No.3. from 2nd Bn. Depot to 1st Bn., B.E.F. Embarked 28-3-16.

1624 Pts. J.R.Morris.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname Morris

Christian Name James Robt

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish

County St. John

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left.
Examined	on <u>18</u> day of <u>June</u> 191 <u>8</u> at <u>St. John St. John</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191____ at _____	
Declared Age	<u>23</u> years _____ days <u>Railroad Letter</u>		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation				
Height	<u>5</u> feet <u>6½</u> inches		_____ feet _____ inches	
Weight	<u>148½</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <u>34½</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of expansion... <u>3</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated	<u>no</u>			
Vision	R. E.—V	<u>0/6</u>	R. E.—V	
	L. E.—V	<u>0/6</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>Simon Paterson</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Capt</u>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St. John</u> on <u>26</u> day of <u>June</u> 191 <u>6</u>		at _____ on _____ day of _____ 191____	
	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Joined on Enlistment	<u>1st Regt Res 1624</u>			
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
	on _____ day of _____ 191____		on _____ day of _____ 191____	
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

Courts of Inquiry, Vaccination, Inoculations, &c.; Examinations for Foreign Service, Extension, Re-engagement, or Prolongation of Service; Issuance of Medical Appliances; Particulars of Dental Treatment, &c.

Date	Brief Details, and Signature
15-10-15	
19-11-15	Vacc. R.P. Graham. L. Ramo.
9-12-15	T.V. II R.P. Graham. L. Ramo.
20-3-16	Fit for active Service. R.P.M.

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 N. H.					

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PAY LIST. to 12 July 1916 Voucher No. _____

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps 12 Newfoundland
 No. 1624 Rank Pte Name J.R. Morris
 Died (a) Intestate at France on the 12 of July 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 <u>JUL 1 1916</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>11</u>
	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	<u>5</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>11</u>	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		<u>£</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>15</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>15</u>

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 _____ 1916 Paymaster.

(a) Here state whether the holder 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.

FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

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. 1917

REGIMENT OR CORPS } NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } A Company

Regimental No. 1624 Rank Private

Surname MORRIS Christian Names J. R.

Died { Date July 1st., 1916. Place Beaumont Hamel, France

Cause of Death* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Burial Report, 21/7/17.

By whom made G.O.C., 5th. Corps.

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation of 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 64) Not to hand (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not to hand (c) as a separate document do

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 } 31/7/17. Signature of Officer in charge of Section } [Signature]
Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

Officer in Charge
General Headquarters

C.R. 16247

COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated

31st July, 1916.

To

Mr. Joseph Morris,

Robinson's Head,

Bay St. George.

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,
London, officially reports No. 1624 Private James
R. Morris as Missing.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

C.R.

1624

#1624 J.R.MORRIS.

EXTRACT OF CASUALTY LIST RECEIVED FROM THE PAY & RECORD OFFICE
LONDON DATED AUGUST 5th 1918.

"MISSING."

Counter No. _____

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



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.

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)

Signature of Sender

F. M. Shirley

Address

Line Number

Recd

By

Sent

by

Check

For Mr. Morris

Dated

9th August, 1917.

To

Mr. Joseph... Morris,

Robinson's Head,

Bay St. George.

Record Office London today reports No. 1624 Private
James R. Morris, previously presumed dead, ^{was} killed in
Action on July first 1916 and buried - no date given.

R. A. SQUIRES,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 1624
November 23rd, 1916.

Dear Sir,

For some time past the Imperial Government have been making enquiries in relation to those men of the First Newfoundland Regiment who have been reported missing since the action of the 1st July. I very much regret to state, however, that from the correspondence which has taken place, a copy of which I enclose, it is evident that none of them are Prisoners of War in Germany, and the authorities are, therefore, reluctantly forced to the conclusion that all these gallant men, whose names are given in the enclosed list, ~~and one of whom was very dear to you,~~ were killed in that fateful action on the 1st of July.

I desire 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 some consolation to you to think that he, for whom you now mourn, willingly answered the call of King and Country, did his part nobly, and fell, facing the foe, in defence of the principles of Righteousness, Truth and Liberty. Though he has laid down the earthly weapons of warfare, he now wears the Soldier's Crown of Victory, and his name will be inscribed upon the Glorious Roll of Honor, and be held in fragrant memory by all his fellow-countrymen. When the victory is won, and Peace again reigns upon the earth, it will be a comforting thought to you that in this glorious achievement he bore no small part.

I trust that you may have the Grace and consolation of the Great Father of us all at this time.

With sincere sympathy,

Believe me to be,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Joseph Morris,
Robinson's Head.

1624

July 7th.1917.

Mr. Joseph Lorris,
Robinson's Head.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith cheque for \$36.20,
being the balance of the estate of your late son,
No. 1624, J. K. Morris.

You will note that the cheque is pay-
able to yourself and Mrs Lorris. It will there-
for be necessary for both of you to endorse it,
before presenting it for payment.

Yours truly,

Lieut.
Deputy Paymaster.

Robinson Head
December 6th 1916

Mr Howley Dear sir
as i have been informed
of my dear son
private James A Morris
killed in action
on July the first
i would be glad to
ask you if he had
any belongings
left behind or across
the other side and
also if his st. Motmont
will be held over
their trusting to
hear from you
Rebecca Morris

Robinsons Head
January 13th 119

Jm, Howley,
St Johns,

Dear Sir:

I am sending back
forms which I signed to return.
I received Discharge Certificate
but I got no badge which
I think I am entitled to one
I just kindly ask you if
you will let me know why
I did not get it. I waited
for a while thinking it had
been mislaid but I have not
got it yet. Trusting you will
kindly let me know why I
did not get it at your earliest.

Yours Truly,
pt 101 A Morris,

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allowance, and I think
am the one that would be
entitled to it. Trusting you
will give me a reply to this.
His name was

pt. J. R. Morris 162~~4~~

Yours Truly
Mrs. Rebecca Morris.

Not yet received.

R Robinson

Aug 2nd 1919.

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Capt J. W. Howley.

Dear Sir.

I am writing you to find out if I have any more money coming to me belonging to my deceased son 1624. P. P. K. Troop. If there is any more I would be very pleased if you would send it on. As I am in poor circumstances all the support I have now for my 5 children, is my husband and he is 70 years of age & practically blind. I have two other sons who are away working for themselves, I would be very pleased if you could arrange to send me something. In any case the last cheque came to me for allotment from March 1st

Baldy Estab 36²⁰

paid to Joseph Rebecca Morris of
Robinsons Road June 24/17.

Notification to this office from Board of
Pensions to Cancel Allot upto 28/2/19
all other Claims will have to be forwarded to
that Dept

to May 31st was \$63.40, for 92 days
at 70 c's a day. The Cheque should
have been \$64.40, so I would
be very pleased if you could send along
the other dollar.

I am

Sir.

Yours Truly

Mrs. Rebecca Morris

Received October 1921



The accompanying **Victory Medal** and/or **British War Medal**

is/are forwarded herewith to

Mr. Joseph Morris (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 1624 Rank Pte.

Name James R. Morris Royal Nfld. Regt.
~~1st Bn. Canadian Infantry~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

[Redacted area]
Signature Joseph Morris

Date November 12th 1921

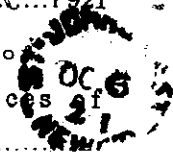
Address Robinsons, St Georges Bay

[P.T.O.]

Dept. of Militia,
St. John's.

.. *Oct 5. 1921* .. 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. *1624* Rank *Plt*
Name *James R Morris*
Royal Newfoundland Regt.



.....(Sgd.)
Mrs J R Morris Relationship.
Address *St John's*
Newfoundland

CR 1124

August 21st, 1920

Mrs. Rebecca Morris,
Robinsons

Dear Madam:-

I have your letter of August 17th dealing with the matter of pension in respect of your deceased son; and I would state in reply that this Department does not handle pension matters, and I am therefore passing your letter to the Board of Pension Commissioners, and am asking them to reply to you at their earliest convenience in the premises.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,
Chief Staff Officer.

