

# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 3585 Name James Newton Corps R. C.

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

- |  |                                 |
|--|---------------------------------|
| 1. What is your name? .....  | 1. <u>James Newton</u>          |
| 2. What is your full Address? .....  | <u>Bell Island</u>              |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? .....  | <u>Yes</u>                      |
| 4. What is your age? .....   | <u>28</u> Years <u>4</u> Months |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? .....  | <u>mining</u>                   |
| 6. Are you Married? .....  | <u>no</u>                       |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? .....                             | <u>no</u>                       |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? .....  | <u>Yes</u>                      |
| 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? .....   | <u>Yes</u>                      |
| 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. <u>Yes</u>                  |

I, James Newton 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 Newton SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
Harold Hutchins Signature of Witness.

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

I, James Newton 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 Bell Island on this 11 day of April 1917

Signature of Attesting Officer W. H. ...

### †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 1st Regiment

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

Date 11-4-17 1917 } Approving Officer.  
Place .....

† 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: vis:—(Name).....re-enlisted in the (Regiment).....on the (Date).....

# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT

Applicable to all ranks. To be filled out by the Medical History Sheet.

Name James Newton  
 Apparent age 28 years 4 months. Height 6 feet 1 inches  
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 37 inches  
 Range of expansion 3 inches  
 Distinctive marks \_\_\_\_\_

## INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Mr. J. New Newton  
Base Island C.B. | Relationship father

### Particulars as to Marriage

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

(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 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 <u>11-4-17</u>									<u>Lance Corp/pt 19<sup>17</sup></u>
Joined at <u>St Johns</u> on <u>April 11<sup>17</sup></u>									
				<u>Embarked at St John's Nfld. to Halifax N.S. 19<sup>17</sup></u>					<u>Embarked for Bldg 27-3-1918</u>
				<u>Disembarked at Base 29-3-1918</u>					
				<u>Joined Bldg 4-4-1918</u>					
				<u>Died of Hoard. 25-10-1918</u>					
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Total Service towards Engagement to 25-10-18 [date of discharge] 1 years 199 days

C.R. 35-85-

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Unit The Royal Wfld.  
Regt., St. John's, April 12th, 1917.

3585 Pte. J. Newton.

Attached to the Strength from April 11th, 1917.

To be used only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reservists enlisted Regular Army.

# MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Newton OF Christian Name James

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Belle Isle County C.B.

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>11<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u> 1917 at <u>Headquarters</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 at _____	
Declared Age	<u>28</u> years — days		years days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Miner</u>			
Height	<u>6</u> feet <u>1</u> inches		feet inches	
Weight	<u>141</u> lbs.		lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Grith when fully expanded <u>39</u> inches		inches	
	Range of Expansion <u>3</u> inches		inches	
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R. E.—V	<u>4/6</u>	R. E.—V	==
	L. E.—V	<u>4/12</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>W.E. Prosser</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Lieut.</u>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St. Johns</u> on <u>11<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u> 1917		at _____ on _____ day of _____ 191	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.		Corps.	
	Regtl. No.		Regtl. No.	
Transferred to	<u>4/1/20</u> <u>Infld Regt. 3585</u>			
Became non-effective by	on _____ day of _____ 191		on _____ day of _____ 191	
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

Table III.—Boards: Courts of Inquiry, Vaccination, Inoculations, &c. Examinations for Foreign Service; Extension, Re-engagement, or Prolongation of service; Issue of Medical Appliances; Particulars of Dental Treatment, &c.

Date	Brief Details, and Signature
12-5-17	Vacc. <span style="float: right;">X</span>
30-5-17	} T.A.B. <span style="margin-left: 100px;">W.E.P.</span> S.
3-5-17	
10-5-17	

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



This Form is to be used in connection with Pamph. M. E. (1)  
N. F. 1915

In the spaces below should be entered the findings in the routine of examination set forth in the Appendix. Care should be exercised that each finding be entered after the number below which corresponds to the number of that test.

Examination of James Newton  
aged 28 yrs conducted at Headquarters  
Date: 11/4/17. Recruiting Officer:

NO OF TEST	FINDING
1	no
2	no
3	no
4	no
5	no
6	no
7	yes
8	yes
9	no
10	✓
11	✓
12	✓
13	✓
14	✓
15	✓
16	✓
17	✓
18	✓
19	6/16 Right 6/12 Left
20	✓
21	✓
22	✓
23	✓
24	✓
25	✓
26	✓
27	✓
28	✓
29	✓
30	✓
31	✓
32	✓
33	no
34	6'1"
35	141 lbs
36	36-39
37	\$160 per year
38	Mother Mrs Ellen Newton Bell Lake
39	Mother

*[Large handwritten signature]*

*[Handwritten initials]*

Signature of Medical Examiner:

*[Handwritten signature]*



(Separation Allowance Branch.)

Notice.

THIS STATUTORY DECLARATION is to be filled in correctly in every detail, and a complete reply, must be given to each question.

Each statement is considered as being made on Oath and the form is to be signed before a Barrister of the Supreme Court, Stipendiary Magistrate, Notary Public or Justice of the Peace, and returned to.

THE PAYMASTER  
Separation Allowance Branch,  
St. John's Nfld.

1. Name in full of Soldier. Rank Reg't. or Unit Reg't. No.

*William J. Hewton* No. *1st Bn* *3585.*

2. Age of Soldier Married or Single.  
*Twenty-nine* *Single*

3. Name in full of Mother Age Occupation Permanent Address.  
*Ellen Hewton* *54* *Housewife* *Bell Island*

4. Give name of your husband. Age Occupation Where employed.  
*Thomas Hewton* *56* *Dead* *Occupation not known*

5. If your husband is not supporting you state the reason.

6. If your husband is a chronic invalid and totally incapacitated state nature of malady. (A medical certificate must be enclosed with this document stating from what date husband has been totally incapacitated and for how long incapacity is likely to continue)

7. If you are a widow, state date and place of death of your husband.

*Died about 13 years ago*

8. Have you married again since death of above mentioned husband?

*No*

9. Names of your other Children Address in Full. Age. Occupation Married or Single.

*Ed Hewton, Bell Island, 26, Miner, Married*

(2)

State amount earned by (a) yourself (b) Your husband

Three dollars per year

State amount and source of any other income. *Widows grant*

State value of Real Property belonging to you and your husband. *No property*

State value of personal property belonging to you and your husband. *No property*

If husband is dead state value of Real and personal Property left by him.

Actual amount contributed by soldier during the year prior to enlistment. *One hundred dollars per year.*

Was this amount contributed weekly or monthly.

Did this amount include payment of son's Board etc. *Two souls left the house receiving*

State your son's trade or occupation prior to enlistment.

State amount of his wages per week. *Two dollars per week*

State name and address of his last employer. *Dominion Iron & Steel Co Ltd*

State amount of support monthly from son since enlistment. *118<sup>60</sup> per month*

State amount of Allotment received by you from son monthly. *118<sup>60</sup>*

From what date did you receive Allotment? *July 1917*

Actual amount contributed by other children Weekly Monthly.

*None, married*

Are any of these children in the employ of you or husband?

*No*

Is not receiving support from other children state cause, Explain fully.

*Married*

With whom are you residing at present.

*By son*

Have you made a previous claim for Separation Allowance? If not, Why? Give particulars.

*No*

Are you already in receipt of Separation Allowance from any source? If so, how much?

*No*

30. Are you in receipt of any payment from any Patriotic Fund? If so, How much. *Yes*

31. Was the Soldier at time of his enlistment an employee of the Newfoundland Government. *Yes*

32. In what capacity and in what place.

33. Is he in receipt of a salary as much while serving in the 1st. Nfld. Regt. If so, how much? *Yes*

I herewith make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and knowing it to be of the same force and effect as if made under Oath and in virtue of the Evidence Act.

Signature of Applicant,..... *Colleen M. Hewton*

Place of Residence ..... *Bell Island*

Declared and subscribed before me at... *Bell Island*

this *11<sup>th</sup>* day of... *March*.....1918

Signature of Barrister of the Supreme Court, Stipendiary Magistrate, Notary Public or Justice of the Peace.

*A. G. Power, S.M.*

This application must be signed by two responsible parties one of whom must be a Clergyman, the other a representative of your local Patriotic Fund Committee, certifying that to the best of their knowledge after careful investigation, the above statements are correct, and the above Soldier, first mentioned, is the sole support of the applicant.

Signature of Clergyman ..... *J. M. G. R.*

Signature of Member of Patriotic Fund Committee. .... *Chas. P. P.*

*Approved 20/3/18*

*W. J. R.*  
*M. J.*

*J. S.*

15/5/18

Dear Sir

just a note to see  
if you would please  
be as kind & let me  
know if you know  
L/B.  
Whereabouts Jim  
Newton is as I havent  
heard any word of him  
since he went to  
France

ENCL.	
NO.	
DATE	23 MAY 1918
FRM	
of. No. (01)	
TO	
Copy	
P.S. 5	
R & C	24/5/18
B & E	
P.S.	

Lieut. Corp Jim Newton  
Co Coy 91 ~~W. J. D. Regm~~  
Newfoundland  
No 3585 - ~~razing down Camp~~  
~~Winchester England~~

This was the last Place  
he was in when he  
left for France

I have a spare set  
to the Centre if you want  
to see it. I will be  
sent to the office

Please let me know  
by Return as I am very  
Anxious to hear about  
him by doing so you

will Oblige  
Miss S Reid

c/o Mrs Paton  
Kethon

Holbeush

13y Sept



now

**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.

REGIMENT OR CORPS \_\_\_\_\_ Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company \_\_\_\_\_

Regimental No. 5504 Rank acting=Sergeant.

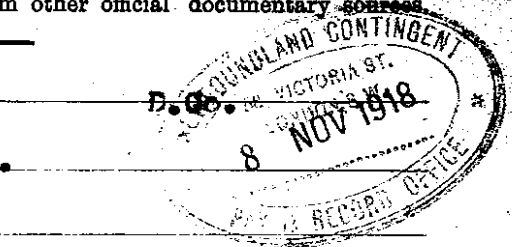
Surname Newton. Christian Names J.

Date 25-10-18. Place Belgium.

Died Cause of Death\* Died of wounds received in Action.  
Nature and Date of Report B 213 d/28-10-18.

By whom made O.C. Unit.

\* 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.



COPIES SENT		
TO	NO	DATE

State whether he leaves a Will or not (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not received (b) in Small Book (if at Base) not received (c) as a separate document none 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 3-11-18. Signature of Officer in charge of Section [Signature] Adjutant-General's Office at the Base Capt.

For Officer in Charge Infantry Section  
General Headquarters

# 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Dept of Militia.

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

To Ellen Newton, Bell Island. C.B.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London,  
officially reports No. 5585, Sergt. James Newton  
died of wounds Oct. 25th

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 Roman Catholic

1st or School Teacher

has been received and acted upon

FOR TYPEWRITER

Cor. 3585

Extract of DAILY ORDERS PART II ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND  
REGIMENT IN FRANCE DATED "21/11/18.

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DIED OF WOUNDS.

#3585 L/Cpl. J. Newton.

25/10/18.

C.R. 3585

Feb. 14th 19.

Mrs. Ellen Newton  
Bell Island.

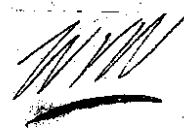
Dear Mrs. Newton:

It is my regrettable duty to have to forward to you one cotton bag which belonged to your son the late No. 5585 L/Cpl. Jas. Newton, 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 goods must entail.

Yours sincerely,



Casualty Officer.

Lieut.

No. of Paper 1431

**PERSONAL EFFECTS.**

Name Newton J. **C.R.** No. 3585

Rank Lance Corporal Regiment \_\_\_\_\_

Article	Where stored	Notified by
1 cotton bag; containing:- Disc; Watch (damaged) and chain; 1 Button; Badge; Religious Emblem in Case; German Religious Book.	Final disposal	<i>Shipped to Newfoundland.</i>

Remarks:- *Died of wounds 25/10/18*  
 Next of Kin:- *Mother:- Mrs Ellen Newton*  
*Bell Island*  
*C.B.*

C.R. 3585

RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
ONE COTTON BAG CONTAINING EFFECTS OF THE LATE  
No. 3585 I/Cpl. Jas. Newton.

SIGNED.....*Ellen Parator*.....

DATE.....*Feb. 17. 1919.*.....

ORIGINAL

PAY LIST

to

191 Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps

ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

No. 3585

Rank/L/Cpl

Name Newton J.

Died (a) Intestate

at France

on the 25th 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 25/10/18 .....	6	9	8
	Cash issues .....				Pay days at from to .....			
	(Date of each issue to be stated)				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay			
	£ s. d.				days at from to .....			
	191				Messing allowance days at			
	"				from to .....			
	"				Kit allowance .....			
	"							
	Consolidated stoppage .....							
					Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	6	9	8	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£	6	9		£	6	9

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.

CHECKED JUN 1919

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT LONDON S.W. 5 JUN 1919

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 6 9 8 is correctly chargeable against the Public.

Dated at this day of 191 CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER

(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. 3575

June 10th. 1919.

Mrs. Ellen Newton,

Bell Island.

G.B.

Dear Madam:-

It is my regrettable duty to have to forward to you by Registered Mail, some effects which belonged to your late son No. 3585 Bance Corporal J. Newton, of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

I am enclosing herewith receipt, will you kindly sign same and return to this Department at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.  
Casualty Officer.

BC.  
ENCLOS. 1.

No. of Paper 1485

**PERSONAL EFFECTS.**

Name Newton J.

**CR** 3585

Rank L./Corpl.

Regiment 10th BATTAL, THE PRINCE OF WALES'S REGIMENT

Article	Where stored	Notified by
<p>1 Package containing:- Field Almanack; Note book; Photos; Letters; Cards.</p>		
	Final disposal	
	<p style="text-align: center;">OK</p>	

Remarks :- Casualty Advice :- Deceased, 25/10/18  
Next of Kin. - Mother :- Mrs Ellen Newton,  
Bell Island,

C.B. ✓



M.P.A.S.  
20M-10-17

C.R. 3585

# DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPT. OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

June 10th 1919.

RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA:

1. Parcel

MY

Containing the effects of ~~your~~ son #3585,

L/Cpl. J. Newton.

*J.N.*  
Date. June 13. 1919

Signed..... *Ellen Newton*

540304

3585

451

To ensure that as far as may be possible none of the next of kin of those who have fallen in the War shall fail to receive the Memorial Plaque, it is requested that on receipt of the enclosed Plaque this card be signed at the bottom and posted. No stamp is required.



Mrs. E. Clark Newton

Done

(2249) Wt 21551 A1859- 1019 9000 20 11 St

August 30, 1919

Mrs. Ellen Newton,  
Bell Island.

Dear Madam:

I enclose herewith  
cheque for \$34.85, balance of estate of the  
late James Newton, due you as Administrator  
of his estate.

I am also enclosing  
Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,

Capt.  
Paymaster.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 34 <sup>85</sup>/<sub>x</sub>

Aug 14 1919

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of Thirty four <sup>85</sup>/<sub>x</sub> Dollars.  
on account of Pay. Estab.  
balance

Ch. No.	8058	Initials	J.H.
Pay Ledger	17	Initials	W
Gen. Ledger		Initials	

Recd. No. *[Signature]* Rank





R. 3585  
FEBRUARY 21st 1920.

Mrs. Thos. Newton,

Bell Island.

Dear Madam:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 13th inst., covering Post Office Order for the amount of \$2.00 in payment of charges in connection with the Cemetery Register Form of your deceased son, 3585 Sgt. Jas. Newton.

I am returning Post Office Order herewith, and I should be glad if you will hold same until we will be able to advise you of the amount due in this connection.

I am also returning the Form herewith. The Inscription forwarded by you will be engraved on the Headstone, but apart from this three lines will be reserved at the foot of the of the Stone for a Personal Inscription or Text. If you desire to have something further engraved, I should be glad if you would fill in same, and return Form to this Department at your convenience.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Colonel,  
Chief Staff Officer.