



FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

ATTESTATION OF

No. 1840 Name Beathan C Parsons Corps 1st Field Reg.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

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| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Beathan C Parsons</u> |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>Flat Island, Placentia Bay</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is your Age? | 4. <u>22</u> Years <u>10</u> Months. |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>Clerk</u> |
| 6. Are you Married? | 6. <u>No</u> |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? | 7. <u>No</u> |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? | 8. <u>Yes</u> |
| 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? | 9. <u>Yes</u> |
| 10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? | 10. <u>-</u> { 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, Beathan C Parsons, 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.

Sept 23rd 1915 Beathan C Parsons SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
Kevin Keegan Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Beathan C Parsons, 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 John's on this 22 day of Sept 1915.
Kevin Keegan
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 _____ 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.

* 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. 1840

Bertram C. Parsons was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on September 23rd 1915
Regimental No. 1840 was allotted to Pte B.C. Parsons

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th, 1919.

C.R. 1840

Street View Hospital Hill, St. John's for (version 27/10/11 G. Co.)

#1800 Pte. B. G. Parsons.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Parsons

Christian Name Bert. C.

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish..... County W. I. I.

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>22</u> day of <u>Sept</u> 191 <u>5</u> at <u>St John W.I.I.</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191____ at _____	
Declared Age...	<u>22</u> years _____ days		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation....	<u>Clerk.</u>			
Height	<u>5</u> feet	<u>6½</u> inches	_____ feet	_____ inches
Weight	<u>140</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <u>34½</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of expansion... <u>2</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development...				
Vaccination Marks	Arm		Arm	
	Number		Number	
When Vaccinated	<u>1915</u>			
Vision	R.E.—V	<u>4/6</u>	R.E.—V	_____
	L.E.—V	<u>4/6</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>W. Burden</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Leut.</u>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at _____ on <u>13</u> day of <u>Sept</u> 191 <u>5</u>		at _____ on _____ day of _____ 191____	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
	<u>1st W.I.I. Regt 1840.</u>			
Transferred to..				
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 Field or Foreign Service, Extension, Re-engagement, or Prolongation of Service; Issue of Surgical Appliances; Particulars of Dental Treatment, &c.

Date	Brief Details, and Signature
23. 10. 10.	<i>1st Inoculation</i>
19. 11. 15	<i>Vacc. R. P. Abraham Lebank</i>
9. 12. 15	<i>TV # R. P. Abraham Lebank</i>
19. 6. 16	<i>Fit for Foreign Service N. H.</i>

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
<i>St. Johns 11/10/16</i>					

Regimental Number 1840

Company "B"

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 Kings 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 Bob B. Pears

Witness James W. Pears

Dated at Racecourse St.

June 19th 1916.

C.R. 1840

Extrset from Nominal Roll of Nfld. Regt. Draft No.7. from
2nd Bn. to 1st Bn. B.E.F. Embarked Southampton, 25-6-16.

1840 Pte. B.C. Parsons.

C.R. 1840

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

Extract of Casualty List received from P., & R. O. Nov 20th 1916.

1840. Pte B. C. Parsons.

MISSING ✓

(86)

COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated
10th November, 1916.

Mrs. Sarah Parsons,
Flat Islands, P. B.

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,
London, officially reports No. 1840 Private Bertram C.
Parsons Missing October twelfth.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immedi-
ately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

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May 3, 1917.

Dear Madam,

I regret to inform you that your son, No. 1840, Private ^{Bertram} Bernard C. Parsons, who was officially reported missing on October 12th, 1916, is now officially believed to have been killed in action on that date.

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 loved ones but it will, no doubt, be some consolation to you to think that your son 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 is inscribed upon the glorious Roll of Honour and will 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.

With sincere sympathy,

Believe me to be,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Sarah Parsons.

FIELD SERVICE.

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

Regtl. No. 1840 Rank Private

Name PARSONS, B.O.

Died { Date October, 18th., 1916.
 Place France.
 Cause of Death* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Burial Report, 18/4/17.

By whom made S/Aust. D.L.O.

* 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.

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) do
 (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.

Signature of Officer in charge
 of Section Adjutant-General's
 Office at the Base

[Signature]
 Major for
 Officer i/c Records Reg. Inf. Sec. 1,
 3rd. Echelon, G.H.Q., B.E.F.

Station and Date 8/6/17.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps Newfoundland

Regimental No. 1840

Rank Plt

Name Parsons Bert C

Enlisted (a) 23.9.11

Terms of Service (a) Duration

Service reckons from (a) June 1916

Date of promotion to present rank }

Date of appointment to lance rank }

Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended _____

Re-engaged June 1916

Qualification (b) _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 56, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 86, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		<u>Bombardier Southampton</u>		<u>20.1.16</u>	
		<u>Drum Major</u>		<u>26.1.16</u>	
		<u>Private Battalion</u>		<u>19.7.16</u>	
		<u>Reported Missing</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>15.10.16</u>	<u>1840</u>
			<u>Sgt C. Aldridge</u>		

(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) e.g., Signaller, Shoemaker, Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

PAY LIST. to 191 Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps Newfoundland
No. 1040 Rank Private Name Parsons D
Died (a) Intestate at Inuce on the 10 of October 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.

Table with columns for Date, Dr., £, s., d., Cr., £, s., d. containing financial entries like Balance Dr. last month, Cash issues, Consolidated stoppage, and Balance due by the Paymaster.

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 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. 1615.
(b) Words in Italic to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

CR. 1840

June

Mrs. Sarah Parsons,
Flat Island, Burin, P.B.

Dear Mrs. Parsons:-

I am writing to inform you that it is my
regrettable duty to forward to you ^{by Express} one KIM BAG,
which belonged to your son #1840 Etc. Bertram
Parsons, of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in
your bereavement, and in the renewed sorrow
which the receipt of these effects must entail.

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

I am,

Yours faithfully,



Lieut.

for Lieut. Col. G.S.O.

St Johns

Oct 27th 1917

Mr J. M. Hawley

Dear Sir

In reference to Private B. C. Parsons allotment, which I have not received for the month of September, I have thought there may be a misunderstanding, as the allotment has been paid to me. The committee may have thought it was for my myself, but it is not so, I am acting as his agent or trustee, the money is for his widowed Mother and two sisters, he was her only son unmarried, and it was his wish that his allotment be paid to them, through me as they regained it, hoping the matter will be

looked into and that the allotment will be continued to me for them, the same as it is to other parents who have lost their boys in this great fight for freedom and liberty

I am yours truly

Howard Parsons

156^a Pleasant St

St. J.

Pte. A. Cull
No. 1489. B.E.F.
D. Company
1st Newfoundland Reg
B. E. F.

TELEPHONE: 61, PRESTWICK.

4th Jan. 1919.
LINKSVIEW,
PRESTWICK,
AYRSHIRE.

France

I have not heard from them for some time, & am anxious to hear, & if you would give me any information I would be so much obliged. Trusting to hear at an early date.

I am
yours Respectfully
M. Smith

Dear Sir

I would feel greatly obliged if you could give me any information about

Pte B. E. Parsons
No. 1840
B. Company
1st Newfoundland Reg
12-1-12. B. E. F.
& also of France

address

Miss Smith

Linksvue

Prestwick

Ayrshire



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

~~NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR~~

P. O. BOX No 1242

TELEPHONE No. 361

CABLES AND TELEGRAMS TO
"PAYDEPT."
ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE
ADDRESSED TO THE
PAYMASTER

PAY DEPARTMENT

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

October 26th., 1918

Hon. John R. Bennett,
Minister of Militia,
City.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a letter, received from Mr. Howard Parsons, relative to the allotment of the late Private B. C. Parsons.

This allotment has been discontinued under the general rule, to stop all allotments not payable to parents, and in view of Mr. Parson's statement, I have the honour to request your ruling, re continuance.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Capt & Paymaster.

Feb. 1st. 18.

Mr. Howard Parsons,

Dear Sir,-

I enclose herewith cheque for \$17.45,
being the amount due you as administrator of the
estate of the late private J. Parsons. I also en-
close letter of administration.

Yours faithfully,

Capt. B. [unclear]
Officer in Charge Records.

Enclosure 2.

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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$47⁴⁵/₁₀₀

Jan. 26th 1918

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of Forty Seven ⁴⁵/₁₀₀ Dollars.
on account of Pay Estate
balance

Ch. No. 3621	Initials: F.W.
Pay Ledger [Signature]	Initials: [Signature]
Gen. Ledger [Signature]	Initials: [Signature]

Regtl. No. Rank

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

OFFICER /e/ RECORDS,
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA,
ST. JOHN'S, NEED.

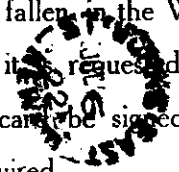


1840

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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.



[Handwritten flourish]

[Handwritten signature: J. Sarah ... 40 ... R. ...]

(2249) Wt 21551/A16599 10/19 9003 (20) D.S.L.

1921.

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

Mrs. Sarah Parsons (Mother)

in respect of his service as No. 1840 Rank Pte.

Name Bertram C. Parsons Royal Nfld. Regt.
~~1st Battalion~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received From Royal Nfld Regt-

Signature Mrs Sarah Parsons (Mother)

Date Oct 21 1921.

Address Flat - Islands Kewick Camp.

[P.T.O.]

THE BOARD OF
PENSION COMMISSIONERS
FOR NEWFOUNDLAND

J. A. CLIFT, K. C., C. B. E., CHAIRMAN
MAJOR W. H. PARSONS, M. C.
R. A. M. C.



In reply refer to

No.

C.R.

1840

St. Johns,

April 11th/21

Lt. Col. Rendell, C. B. E.,
Chief Staff Officer,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to yours of April 4th No. 1840 with letter enclosed from Mrs. J. H. Loughlin, P. B. relative to pension.

I beg to state that the Commissioners have considered this claim but in view of the fact that Mrs. Loughlin has married again she ceases to be dependant upon the deceased, and according to the War Pensions Act the sister is not entitled to receive a pension on account of her deceased brother.

I shall be glad if you will communicate this to Mrs. Loughlin.

I return herewith letter from the Private Secretary.

Yours faithfully,

Asst. Secy.

.CCO/EBD.

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

W. P. Griffith & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4.
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Regiment of 1st Newfoundland

Number of Sheets 1
 Signature of O. C. Company [Signature]

Regimental Number and Name: 1840 B. Parsons

Age on 22 years 10 months

Trade Black

Place and Date of Enlistment: St John's

Religion Methodist

Period of (with Colours / 20 years. (with Reserve / 30 years. Sept. 23. 1943

Place of Birth Flat Island

Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award depending on full	By whom awarded	REMARKS
				<u>Killed in Action 12. 10. 16</u>					

To be carried over