



FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

ATTESTATION OF

No. 1708 Name Chas N. Parsons Corps _____

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment

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| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Chas N. Parsons</u> |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>Sandy Point
Bay St. George, Nfld</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is your Age? | 4. <u>20</u> Years Months. |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>Fishing</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. { 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, Chas. Robert 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.

E. 16 July 15 SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
[Signature] SIGNATURE OF WITNESS.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, _____ 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 _____ on this 16 day of July 1915.
[Signature] 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) _____

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.

Applicable to all ranks. To correspond with entries on the Medical History Sheet.

Name W. J. Jones

Apparent age 20 years 0 months. Height 5 feet 5 inches.

Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 35 1/2 inches.
 Range of expansion 2 1/2 inches.

Distinctive marks _____

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin W. J. Jones, 123 Main St, New York, N.Y.

Relationship Brother

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	Promotions, 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>16-7-15</u>							
Joined at <u>St John's</u> on <u>July 16/15</u>							
<u>Embarked St John's train to Quebec 27-10-15.</u>							
<u>Embarked for B.E.F. 9-7-16</u>							
<u>Joined Battalion 24-7-16</u>							
<u>Missing 12-10-16</u>							
Total Service forfeited as above							
Total Service towards Engagement to <u>12-10-16</u> (date of discharge)							
" " " Pension " " " " " "							

Total Service towards Engagement to 12-10-16 (date of discharge) 1 years 89 days

" " " Pension " " " " " "

C.R. 1708

Chas. H. Parsons was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on July. 16th. 1915...
Regimental No. 1708 was allotted to Pte C.H. Parsons

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

CR. 1706

1708 Pte. C. H. Parsons.

1708 Pte. C. H. Parsons.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname Parsons

Christian Name Charles Hubert

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish.....

County Wiltshire

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>12</u> day of <u>July</u> 191 <u>5</u>	on	day of	191
	at <u>56 John's Wiltshire</u>	at		
Declared Age	<u>20</u> years	days	years	days
Trade or Occupation				
Height	<u>5</u> feet	<u>5</u> inches	feet	inches
Weight		<u>127</u> lbs.		lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <u>35½</u> inches			inches
	Range of expansion... <u>2½</u> inches			inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated	<u>1/10</u>			
Vision	R.E.—V	<u>3/3 4/15</u>	R.E.—V	
	L.E.—V	<u>3/3 4/24</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>Wm Parsons</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Capt.</u>			
	Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at <u>56 John's</u>	at		
	on <u>16</u> day of <u>July</u> 191 <u>5</u>	on	day of	191
	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Joined on Enlistment	<u>1st Wiltshire Regt</u>	<u>1708</u>		
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
	on	day of	191	on
				day of
				191
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

Table II.—Only for admission to hospital or to the sick

Name of Hospital.	Admitted to Hospital			Discharged from Hospital			Disease	Number Days in Hospital	Remarks bearing syphilis, admission of two
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year			
<i>Fairley</i> Bladder Inf. Disease	28	1	1916	18	2	1916	Measles	22	
St. Mary's Convales.	18	2	1916	8	3	16	Convales. from Measles		
Home Lanark. Infectious Disease Hosp., Lanark	8	3	16	22	3	16			

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

Date	Brief Details, and Signature
15.10.15	1 st Inoculation
19.11.15.	Vacc. R.P. Graham Lt. Ranr.
7.7.16	Jt Surgeon Lewis H. F.W.

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. John's					

REGIMENTAL NUMBER 1708

COMPANY A

THE

1st NEW SOUTH WALES 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 Militia and Volunteer Act.

I hereby declare

that I am

(Signed) E. H. Parsons

Witness W. Rendell
Major

Dated at Raccoourse Apr
June 30/16

C.R. 1708

Extract from Nominal Roll of Nfld. Regt. Draft No. 8.

from 2nd Bn. Depot, to 1st Bn. S.M.F. Embarked Southampton,

9-7-16.

1708 Pte. C. Parsons.

after he arrived in France, but none of his friends here have heard anything of him. We heard that his boys were in the firing line very soon after their arrival in France, & that they had suffered heavy losses.

Having been very good friends with both boys during their stay in Ayr, we naturally feel anxious for their welfare.

Awaiting the favour of your reply & thanking you in anticipation. I am,

Yours etc.
Jeannie B. Phillips

(Stamped
addressed envelope enclosed)

29. Campbell St.
Ayr; Scotland.
12th Nov^r '16

4291
The Newfoundland,
Pay & Record Office.
H.A. London.

Answered
17th / 16

Dear Sirs,

I will be greatly obliged if you can give me any information re two young lads belonging to your Regiment. Missing one is ^{late} Charles H. Parsons No 1708 & who was in B boy 2nd N. F. Regt. & with whom I have corresponded ever since he went to

France last July. A friend of mine had a letter from Charlie's cousin in which he said Charlie had been put out of action, but he could not find out whether he had been wounded or killed. He asked us to try & find out here, but we cannot get any particulars about him. That is now about a month ago.

The other lad is Pte. Eli Mercer No. 2680 who left Ayr in a draft about five weeks ago. He promised to write as soon as possible

B.S. 7.

CP 1708

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

Extract of Casualty List received from P. & R. O. Nov 26th 1916.

1708, Pte C. H. Parsons.

MISSING

(87)

COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated
10th November, 1916.

Mr. James S. Parsons,
Sandy Point, Bay St. George.

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,
London, officially reports No. 1708 Private Charles H.
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 Sir,

I regret to inform you that your son, No. 1708, Private Charles H. 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 our 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 feel, facing the foe, in defence of the principles of Righteousness, Truth and Liberty upon earth. Though he has laid down the earthly weapons of his 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,

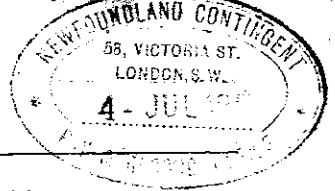
Believe me to be,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. James S. Parsons,
Sandy Point, Bay St. George

Casualty Form—Active Service.



COPY

Regiment or Corps 1st Newfoundland.

Regimental No. 1708 Rank Pte. Name Parsons. C.H.

Enlisted (a) July 4/15. Terms of Service (a) duration of War. Service reckons from (a) _____

Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 35, 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. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
14.10.16	Unit do	Embarked Dis do Joined Battalion. Reported Missing	Southampton Rouen. France. do	9.7.16 10.7.16 24.7.16 12.10.16	B 213
					P. Lodge Lieut for Regt Section. HQ. 3rd F. Chalon

(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, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties. [P.T.O.]

PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps *Newfoundland*
 No. *1708* Rank *Private* Name *Payson C. H.*
 Died (s) *Intestate* at *Trava* on the *10* of *October* 191*6*.
 Deserted at _____ on the _____ of _____ 191*6*.

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 <i>10/10/16</i>	3	6	<i>9 1/2</i>
	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	3	6	<i>9 1/2</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster			
	£	3	6	<i>9 1/2</i>		£	3	<i>6 9 1/2</i>

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 _____

BRANCH 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. 1815.
 (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

THE BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS FOR NEAD.

11th June 19

The Paymaster & Officer i/c Records
St. John's Field.

Sir:-

No. 1708
Rank 7th
Name Genl Parsons

I have the honour by direction, to advise you that the claim for pension on account of the Marginally noted has been considered by the Board, and it has been ordered that if there is an allotment, Separation allowance, or Patriotic Fund allowance, being paid on his account, that it should be cancelled from 31-5-19

Kindly govern yourself accordingly, and advise me of the amount paid by your Dept., on this account.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

[Signature]
15. 6. 1919

B. J. C. Form II.

*Paid from Ord 1916/17
#681.10
Mr J. H. Parsons.
Sandy Pt.
Bay St. Geo.
K m. A. 12/10/16*

Feb. 1st. 18,

Mr. James S. Parsons,

Sandy Point,

Bay St. Georges.

Dear Sir, -

I enclose herewith cheque for \$24.55,
being the amount due you as Administrator of the Estate
of the late Private C. H. Parsons. I also enclose letter
of Administration

Yours faithfully,

Capt. G. Paymaster &
Officer i/c Records.

Enclosures 2.

J/H

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

~~\$24.700~~
\$24.65

Jan 26th 1915

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of Twenty Four ⁶⁵/₁₀₀ Dollars.
~~on account~~ of Pay Balance

Ch. No. 3657	Initials. ew
Pay Ledger 93	Initials. [Signature]
Gen. Ledger 6	Initials.

Regtl. No. Rank

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 23th 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 1708 Rank. *Private*
Name Charles H. Parsons
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

(Mrs.) James Parsons (Sgd.)
Mother Relationship.

Address Sandy Point, Bay St. George.

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

W. F. Griffith & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4, B. 121.
 (5-c) W. 017/214 10000 61855 53 56

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

Regiment of 1st Newfoundland

Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

No.	Regimental Number and Name	Enlistment		Trade	Religion	Place of Birth	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or date of order with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS
		Age on 20 years	months								
1708	<u>G. H. Parsons</u>	20		<u>Fisherman</u>							
	Joined Date	<u>Apr 1915</u>									
	Joined Date	<u>Feb 1915</u>									
	Attained Date	<u>1897</u>									
	Joined Date	<u>1897</u>									
Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Disobedience	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or date of order with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS		
<u>Guiles</u>	<u>1915</u>	<u>Private</u>		<u>Absent from lecture till 30 Apr 1915</u>	<u>Spelman</u>	<u>admonition</u>	<u>20/5/16</u>	<u>W. G. Jones</u>	<u>Profess 2 days pay for 1 day</u>		
<u>"</u>	<u>27/5/16</u>	<u>"</u>		<u>Causing disturbance in Barracks</u>	<u>G. C. Peck</u>	<u>7 days C.S.</u>		<u>W. G. Jones</u>	<u>S. B. A.</u>		
<u>"</u>	<u>23.6.16</u>	<u>"</u>		<u>Drunk and causing disturbance on Crouge</u>	<u>John S. Perry</u> <u>W. G. Peck</u> <u>W. G. Peck</u>	<u>7 days C.S.</u>	<u>26.6.16</u>	<u>W. G. Jones</u>	<u>96</u>		

To be carried over

COPY.

C.R. 1720

Sandy Point,

St. Georges,

May 6th 1920.

Rev. Major Nangle,
c/o Chief Staff Officer,
Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Dear Sir:-

A friend of mine Mr. Jos. Parsons whose only son No. 1720, Pte. Chas. Parsons was killed on October 12th 1916, would like to know whether his son's body was found and buried, and if so would it possible to obtain a photograph of that grave. As you are so well acquainted with the burial grounds of our men and being engaged in work upon them, I thought you might be able to supply the desired information or the name of the person who could.

I remain,

Yours truly,

(Sgd) J.V. Temple,

(Late 222 Sgt. R.N.R.).

COPY.

1708
C.R. 1720

May 12th 1920.

No. 222, Ex. Sgt. J.V. Temple,
Sandy Point,
St. Georges.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the 6th inst addressed to Major T. Hangle has been opened in this Department, and is being forwarded to Major Hangle.

I might say for the information of Mr. Parsons that all graves of soldiers that are or will be located, will be photographed and copy sent to the next of kin. I am forwarding herewith for Mr. Parsons' interest pamphlet in connection with photographing of graves by the Dept. of D.G.R. & E

Yours faithfully,

Lt. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.