

# First Newfoundland Regiment

## ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1399

Name in full Augustus Penny Age 22

Address Holyrood,

~~Married~~  
Single

Color Fair Height 5ft 9 in Weight 141

Hair Brown Eyes Grey

Other distinguishing marks Tattoo on both Arms.

Nearest relative Mother (Below)

Address Holyrood,

Dependents none.

Occupation Sailor Present War \$ 25.00 per month

Previous service

Decorations

General Remarks

Date of Enlistment April 12/15

I, Augustus Penny, do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty, and that I will faithfully serve His Majesty in any place where I may be needed (or in the Colony of Newfoundland, as the case may be), against all His enemies and opposers whatsoever, according to the condition of my service.

Miss Penny

Declared before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day

of April 1915

Emil Schuyler

**DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.**

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

Reg. No. 1289

Name Augustus Penny  
 Apparent age 22 years \_\_\_\_\_ months. Height: 5 feet 9 inches.  
 Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded \_\_\_\_\_ inches.  
 Range of expansion \_\_\_\_\_ inches.  
 Distinctive marks Color: Fair, Hair: Brown, Eyes: Grey.  
Other distinguishing marks: Tattoo on both arms.

**INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.**

Name and Address of next of kin Helen Penny, Holyrood, Wld.  
 | 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.  
 (c) Present address. (d) Signature of Officer verifying entry from certificate.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
			Verified from certificate.

**Particulars as to Children.**

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth	(d)
		Verified from certificate.

**STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES.**

Corps in which served	Regt. 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. O. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					years	days	years	days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>Ap. 12/15</u>									
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>Ap. 12/15</u>									
<i>Disembarked 20-4-16 admitted 24-4-16</i> <i>Can depot 27-5-16</i> <i>Rejoined Battalion 9-6-16</i> <i>Missing 1-7-16</i> <i>Rejoined 20-7-16</i> <i>Rejoined Battalion 26-4-16</i> <i>Discharged to base 26-5-16</i> <i>Admitted H.C. 08</i>									
<i>Killed in Action</i>									
<i>Burial reported by VC 3rd Army Medical Coy. 1st 16</i>									
Total Service forfeited as above ... ..									
Total Service towards Engagement to <u>1-7-16</u> (date of discharge) <u>1</u> years <u>81</u> days									
" " " Pension " " " " " " " " " " " "									

C.R. 1399

Augustus Penney

was attested for General Service  
April 12th 1915.

with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on .....

Regimental No. 1399 was allotted to Pte A. Penny.

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

C.R. 1399

Extract Iron Analysis Report submitted St. John's for records per  
Capt. "Volunteer" June, 19. 1918.

1399 Pte. Penny A.

Regimental Number 1399

Company E

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 <sup>Alto</sup> A. X. Penny  
mark

Witness A. L. Summers  
2nd Lt

Dated at Newton Park School  
Apr.  
April 5th 1916

C.R. 1399

Extract from Nominal Roll of Mfld. Regt. Draft No.4.  
from 2nd Bn. Depot, to 1st Bn., B.N.F. Embarked 8-4-16.

1399 Pts. A. Penny.



Surname *Scoville*

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE

Birthplace:—Parish *St. John* County

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	on	at	on	at
Examined	12 day of <i>April</i> 1915	<i>St. John</i>	day of	191
Declared Age	22 years	days	years	days
Trade or Occupation	<i>Sailor</i>			
Height	5 feet	9 inches	feet	inches
Weight		141 lbs.		lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... 37 <del>34</del> inches		inches	
	Range of expansion... 3 <del>3</del> inches		inches	
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
When Vaccinated	1911			
Vision	R. E.—V	<i>4/6</i>	R. E.—V	
	L. 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)	<i>Theo W. Burden</i>			
(Rank)	<i>Leut</i>			
	Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at <i>St. John</i>		at	
	on 12 day of <i>April</i> 1915		on	day of 191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	<i>Heavy Regt</i>	Corps.	
	Regtl. No.	<i>1399</i>	Regtl. No.	
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
(Signature)	on	day of 191	on	day of 191
(Rank)				

Date	Signature
May 18 <sup>th</sup> 1915	1 <sup>st</sup> Inoculation 500 Million
June 7 <sup>th</sup> 1915	2 <sup>nd</sup> 1000
25 <sup>th</sup> 1915	Vaccinated at sea. <i>JF</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>Sgt. Wm. J. F. L. S.</i>					

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JUN 8 1916

Dear Madam,

I regret to have to inform you that a report has this day been received from the Record Office of the First Newfoundland Regiment, London, to the effect that No. 1399, Private Augustus Penney was admitted 5th Stationary Hospital, Havre, May 3rd, case not yet diagnosed. This information has been received by mail.

I trust that later reports will bring news of his convalescence.

Any further information received at this Office as to his condition will be at once notified to you.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. Helen Penney,  
Holyrood.

Colonial Secretary.

C.R. 1399

Extract of "Complaint" received from Day & Record Office,  
London, dated July 31, 1916.

(Extract from Army Form B.815 from L.S. Field. Regt.  
dated 1/7/16.)

#1399 Pte. A. Penny, D.Co., ✓

Filed on 1/7/16.

## COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated

To  
31st July, 1916.

Mrs. Helen Penny,  
regret to inform you that the Record Office,  
Holyrood.

London, officially reports \_\_\_\_\_

No. 1399 Private Augustus

Upon ~~receipt of~~ <sup>Penny as Missing</sup> further information I shall immediately wire you and trust that the next report will be of his convalescence.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

C.R. 1399

† 1399 A. PENNY.

EXTRACT OF CASUALTY LIST RECEIVED FROM THE PAY & RECORD OFFICE  
LONDON DATED AUGUST 5th, 1916.

"MISSING."

November 23rd, 1916.

Dear Madam,

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,

Mrs. Helen Penny,  
Holyrood, C. B.

Colonial Secretary.

1399

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July 13, 1917.

Dear Madam,

I beg to inform you that a report has now been received from the Newfoundland Pay and Record Office, London, which states that the Officer Commanding the Third Army Grave Registration Unit reports, on June 15th last, that No. 1399, Private Augustus Penney, who was previously presumed dead, was killed in action on July 1st, 1916.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Helen Penney,  
Holyrood.

C.R. 1399

May 15, 1918.

Dear M<sup>rs</sup>. Penny:-

I am writing to inform you that it is my regrettable duty to forward to you by Express one "KIT BAG" which belonged to your son, the late #1399 Pte. A. Penny of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

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

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

I am,

Yours sincerely,

Captain.

Mrs. Helen Penny,  
Holyrood.

Enc'l 1.

PERSONAL EFFECTS.

Received from Militia Department  
Package of effects of the late

*Agustis Penney*

Signed

*Ellen Penney*

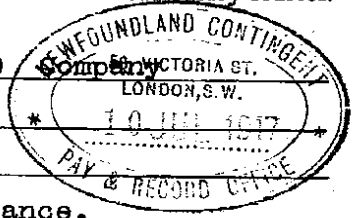
Date

*July 2 1918*

**ORIGINAL**  
**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 NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company D Company  
 Regimental No. 1399 Rank Private  
 Surname PENNEY Christian Names A.



Died { Date July 1st., 1916. Place Beaumont Hamel, France.  
 Cause of Death\* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Burial Report, 15/6/17.

By whom made 3rd. Army Mobile G.R. 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.

**DUPLICATE SENT TO**

Place O.C. H.Q. Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Burial ST. JOHNS, N.F.L.D.

By whom reported \_\_\_\_\_  
 State whether Yes (a) No Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not to hand (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not to hand.  
 a Will or not Not known. (c) as a separate document \_\_\_\_\_  
MAILED 3 AUG 1917

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 } 6/7/17. Signature of Officer in charge of Section } Tosh Lieut. for  
 Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } Lieut. Colonel,  
Off. i/c Records Reg. Inf. Sec. 1,  
3rd. Echelon, G.H.Q., B.E.F.

Regiment or corps *1st*

No. *1399*

Rank *Sergeant*

Name *J. J. [unclear]*

Died (a) *Intestate* at *Isane*

on the *1st* of *July* 191*6*

Deserted at

on the *1st* of *July* 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>July 1 1916</i> .....	<i>7</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>7 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 _____			
	<i>191</i>				Messing allowance days at _____			
	"				from _____ to _____			
	"				Kit allowance .....			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
	Consolidated stoppage .....				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
					Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<i>7</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>7 1/2</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£				£	<i>7</i>	<i>4</i> <i>7 1/2</i>

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 7 4 7 1/2 is correctly chargeable against the Public (b).

Dated at this

**FEB 01 1917**

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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. (b) Words in italics to be printed out when there is no debtor balance.

**COPY.**

Regiment or Corps *1st Newfoundland*



Regimental No. *1399* Rank *No.* Name *A. Penny.*

Enlisted (a) *12.4.15* Terms of Service (a) *Duration* Service reckons from (a) *12.4.15*

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. 218, Army Form A. 86, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 218, Army Form A. 86, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
	Unit.	<i>Disembarked, Rouen.</i>		<i>8.4.16</i>	
	<i>4<sup>th</sup> B.C.S.</i>	<i>Joined Battalion.</i>	<i>France.</i>	<i>26.4.16</i>	<i>P 213.</i>
	<i>12<sup>th</sup> Coy. Hqs. Rouen.</i>	<i>Admitted V.D.C.</i>	<i>4<sup>th</sup> B.C.S.</i>	<i>30.4.16</i>	<i>6.D.9407. 2. 5. 16.</i>
	<i>9<sup>th</sup> Stat.</i>	<i>do. V.D.C. 3.5.16. Transfer</i>	<i>9<sup>th</sup> Stat. Hqs.</i>	<i>3.5.16</i>	<i>A. 8331</i>
	<i>29. I.B.D.</i>	<i>Discharged to Fare.</i>	<i>Rouen.</i>	<i>26.5.16</i>	<i>A. 9097.</i>
	Unit.	<i>Joined do.</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>27.5.16</i>	<i>nom. Ross.</i>
	Unit.	<i>Rejoined Battalion</i>	<i>Field.</i>	<i>9.6.16</i>	<i>P 213. 11.6.16</i>
<i>11.7.16</i>	Unit.	<i>Missing.</i>	<i>France.</i>	<i>1.7.16</i>	<i>P 213.</i>
			<i>P. Hooking</i>		
			<i>for</i>		
			<i>040101 Regt. Section.</i>		
			<i>6. 11. 3rd Coy.</i>		

Nov. 11, 1919

Secretary,  
Board of Pension Commissioners,  
City.

Re #1399 Pte A. Penny

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your letter of April 30,  
I beg to state that the amount paid in continuance  
of this soldier's allotment is Six hundred and  
twenty dollars and forty cents (\$620.40).

Yours truly

Major  
Paymaster.

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

.....1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 1399..... Rank *Private*

Name..... *Augustus Penny*  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

*Mrs Ellen Penny*.....(Sgd.)

*Mother*..... Relationship.

Address..... *Woodford station*

C.R. 1399

Woodford  
Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 21

I remain  
yours etc  
(Mrs) Ellen Penney

W. G. R. & E.

Militia Department  
St John's

Dear Sirs;-  
I wish to  
acknowledge with thanks  
the receipt of three  
photograph of the Graves of  
Canteen 1399 Pte. A Penney  
Royal Newfoundland  
Infantry B 154

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

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Form B. 121.  
 No.

Number of Sheet /

Signature of C.O. Company *A. J. Brown*

Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

Regiment of *1st Newfoundland*

Regimental Number and Name

No. *1399*  
 Name *Penny Augustus*

Joined Date  
 Joined Date  
 Joined Date

Age on *19* years *8* months  
 Place and Date of Enlistment *S. J. Wilson*  
 Period of { with Colours *1 1/2* years.  
 { with Reserve *3 1/2* years.

Trade *Driver*  
 Religion *Roman Catholic*  
 Place of Birth *Weymouth, N.S.W.*

Names of Witnesses

Place Date of Offence Rank

OFFENCE

Names of Witnesses

Punishment awarded

Date of award of order discharging with trial

By whom awarded

REMARKS

*Atkobs* 10.8.15 *Pte.*

*absent from battery till 7.45 P.M. Sept 15*

*life.*

*forfeit 37 days pay*

*17.9.16 Major W. Whiteaker.*

*1916*  
*Specimen on Camp 10.8.15*

*absent from battery 27.9.16 to 28.9.16*

*7 months*

*7 days C.B.*

*2.3.16 Capt. Russell*

*forfeit 2 days pay R.W. 45.*

*Killed in action 1/11*

To be carried over

Army Form B. 121.