

# First Newfoundland Regiment

## ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 566

Name in full Walter James Petre Age 29 (19)

Address Prince's Street

Married no Height 5' 8" Weight 139 lbs.

Color fair Hair dark Eyes green

Other distinguishing marks none

Nearest relative wife

Address Prince's Street

Dependents wife & children

Occupation carpenter Present Wage 11<sup>00</sup> per week

Previous service \_\_\_\_\_

Decorations \_\_\_\_\_

General Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Enlistment \_\_\_\_\_

Walter James Petre, 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 conditions of my service.

Declared before me this third day  
of October 1914

R. Russell

Sept 19



C.R. 566

Walter J. Petrie was attested for General service  
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on ..Sept. 16th/14...  
Regimental No 566. was allotted to Pte. Walter J. Petrie.

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

C.R. 766

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's per U.S.  
"Florizel" Oct. 4. 1914.

568 Petrie Walter J.

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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Petrie OF Christian Name Walter James

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish..... County.....

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.			
	on	day of	191	on	day of	191
Examined .....	at			at		
Declared Age.....		19	years			days
Trade or Occupation.....						
Height .....		5	feet			inches
Weight .....		139				lbs.
Chest Measurement {	Girth when fully expanded...		inches	inches		inches
	Range of expansion.....		inches	inches		inches
Physical Development.....						
Vaccination Marks {	Right	Left	Right	Left	Right	Left
	Arm					
Number.....						
When Vaccinated .....						
Vision .....	R.E.—V=			R.E.—V=		
	L.E.—V			L.E.—V		
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(a)			(a)		
	(b)			(b)		
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to Cause Rejection						
Approved by (Signature)						
(Rank)						
			Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted .....	at	St. Johns St.		at		
	on	day of	191	on	day of	191
Joined on Enlistment .....	Corps.	Regtl. No.		Corps.	Regtl. No.	
	1st Med. Reg.	566				
Transferred to.....						
Became non-effective by.....						
	on	day of	191	on	day of	191
(Signature)						
(Rank)						



62 Patrick  
St John's City  
Afld.

Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Captain H. Outebridge.  
1<sup>st</sup> Afld. Regt.

Dear Sir.

I trust that you will excuse me writing to you, but I have been advised to write and ask you if you could kindly give me the information and advice I desire. My husband, Private Walter James Petrie was not sworn in until Saturday Oct 5<sup>th</sup>, the day he embarked, I was unable to see him on that day, and so am at a loss to know what provision, or arrangements have been made to support his wife and child. I understand that the

17<sup>th</sup> Oct.

1914

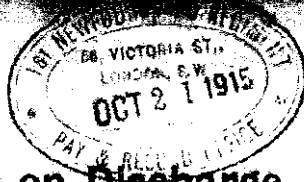
Wives of the men who have left for  
the front, have 60 cents per day, but  
have been unable to find out if it be  
right or not, and also what arrangements  
have been made to get the money. So  
I should be much obliged to you if  
you could inform me, if my husband  
has made any arrangement for me to  
receive any portion of his pay, and  
if so, what steps I am to take to  
get it, also if by any reason, he  
was unable to, or did not make any  
arrangement, can I claim, for the  
support of his child and myself, his wife  
any portion of his pay. I enclose stamped  
addressed envelope, and thanking you  
in anticipation I remain, Sir,

566

yours very respectfully,  
Elizabeth M. Petrie

This space to be left blank for the Chelsea Number.

[Blank box for Chelsea Number]



Army Form B. 208.

# Proceedings on Discharge.

(When forwarded for confirmation the documents named on page 4 should be enclosed.)

No. <i>261.</i>	Army Rank <i>Private</i>
Name <i>Walter James Petrow.</i> <small>(The name must agree strictly with that on enlistment, unless changed subsequently by authority.)</small>	
Corps <i>Great Newfoundland Regiment</i> <small>Battalion, Battery, Company, Depot, &amp;c. (If attached to the Regular Establishment of the Special Reserve or Permanent Staff of the Territorial Force, &amp;c., or to General Staff of the Army, it should be so stated.)</small>	
Date of discharge <i>October 15th 1915</i>	
Place of discharge	
1. <i>Description at the time of discharge.</i>	
Age <i>19</i> years <i>1</i> months	Descriptive marks.
Height <i>5</i> feet <i>8</i> inches	
Chest measurement (girth when fully expanded) _____ ins. range of expansion _____ ins.	
Complexion <i>fair</i>	
Eyes <i>Brown</i>	
Hair <i>Dark</i>	
Trade <i>Engineer</i>	
Intended place of residence <i>St. Johns Newfoundland</i> <small>(To be given as fully as practicable)</small>	
<small>(The measurements and description should be carefully taken on the day the man leaves his unit, but in the case of men sent home from abroad for discharge, the age and intended place of residence should be left blank to be filled in by the Officer who confirms the discharge at home.)</small>	
2. The above-named man is discharged in consequence of <i>Wound</i>	
<small>(The cause of discharge must be worded as prescribed in the King's Regulations and be identical with that on the discharge certificate. If discharged by superior authority, the No. and date of the letter to be quoted.)</small>	
3. Military character:— <i>Indifferent</i>	
4. Character awarded in accordance with King's Regulations:— <i>Offences recorded are of a military nature only &amp; should not prevent this man from being a good workman in civil life</i>	
<small>To be filled in on the soldier quitting the Colours.</small>	
Certified that the above is an accurate copy of the character given by me on Army Form B. 2007* and that Army Form B. 208 was awarded in this case. <i>C.W.O.</i>	
Initials of Commanding Officer. COMMANDING DEPOT N.F.L.D. REGT. NEWTON-GRANT, C.P.	
Army Form B. 2088 has been issued to*	

*(Glasgow)*

5. He is in possession of the following number of G.C. badges (if the man is a N.C.O. and enlisted prior to 1st July, 1881, the number he would have been entitled to had he not been promoted should be stated).

Is it probable that he will be entitled to another good conduct badge before the confirmation of these proceedings?

Classification for service, or proficiency pay ... .. Class .....

6. Campaigns, Medals and Decorations

Certificate of education .....

7. His accounts are correctly balanced, and I have impartially inquired into all matters brought before me in accordance with Regulations.

(Place) .....

*A.W. Whitaker* MAJOR,  
COMMANDING DEPOT, N.F.L.D. REGT.,  
NEWTON-CUM-AYR N.B. Regiment.

(Date) .....

Commanding

8. Certificate to be signed by the soldier on discharge.

I hereby acknowledge that I have received all my pay and allowances (including clothing allowance), and all just demands up to the present date, subject to the reservations of the claims noted on the 3rd page.

(Place) *Newton-cum-Ayr*

*W. Perry* (Signature of Soldier.)

(Date) *October 15<sup>th</sup> 15*

*Robertson* (Signature of Witness.)

(When a soldier is absent through illness or any other cause, and it is not desirable to forward these proceedings to him for signature, a manuscript copy should be sent for the man to sign, and when returned should be attached here.)

9. Additional certificate in the case of a soldier who takes his discharge at his own request.

I hereby declare that I do of my own free will request to be discharged from His Majesty's Service.

*W. Perry* (Signature of Soldier.)

10. Statement of service.

Service towards engagement to *Oct 1/10* (the date to which the record of service is completed) / years - days.

Further service " " *Oct 15/15* (the date of confirmation of discharge) " " 13 "

Total ... 1 ... 13 "

11. Confirmation of discharge.

The discharge of the above named man is hereby confirmed for **OCT 15 1915** (date)

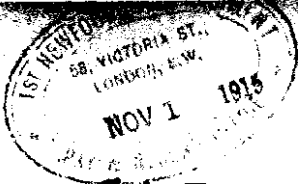
(Place) *DEPOT, N.F.L.D. REGT.*

No. **OCT 15 1915**

(Date) *DEPOT, N.F.L.D. REGT.*

Signature *A.W. Whitaker* MAJOR,  
COMMANDING DEPOT, N.F.L.D. REGT.,

Commanding officers (or the Paymaster, if at Netley) will issue to every discharged soldier whose claim to pension, either on account of service or disability, is to be brought under the consideration of the Chelsea Board, a memorandum for his guidance on Army Form D. 401, and will at the same time transmit to the Secretary, Royal Hospital, Chelsea, a descriptive return of the man on Army Form D. 400.



No 5 PAY LIST. *October 2nd to October 29th* 1915. Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps *Newfoundland*  
 No. *566* Rank *Private* Name *Petrie W.*  
 Died ~~(a)~~ at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 1915.

Discharged at *Newton Park School* on the *15th* of *October* 1915.

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

*E. C. [Signature]* Commanding Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company.

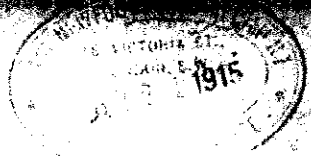
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT. [FORM 1.]

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month.....				Balance Cr. last month.....	1	12	7
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay <i>14</i> days at <i>£1.00</i> from <i>2nd</i> to <i>15th</i>			
					Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay			
					days at _____ from _____ to _____			
<i>Oct 8</i>		<i>1915</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>12</i>	Messing allowance <i>14</i> days at <i>10 pds</i>			
<i>15</i>			<i>2</i>	<i>12</i>	from <i>2nd</i> to <i>15th</i> <i>£1.40</i>			
					<i>1540</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>3</i>
			<i>3</i>	<i>13</i>	Clothing and kit allowance .....			
				<i>9</i>	Amount produced by the sale of Necessaries			
					Personal Clothing and Effects from Form 2...			
					Amount <del>no</del> <i>no</i> <del>Saving Bank</del> <i>Balance</i> including			
					interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
					Deferred <i>Exchange</i> <i>Balance</i> <i>Pay of Captivity</i> .....	<i>14</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>1/2</i>
					Balance due by the Paymaster	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	
					Balance due to the Paymaster.....			
		<i>£</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>12</i>		<i>£</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>12</i>
				<i>9</i>				<i>9</i>

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of *£ 2 2 1/2* is correctly chargeable against the Public<sup>(a)</sup>.

Dated at *London* this *2nd* day of *November* 1915. 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 A.F.E. 2090 or Army Form O. 1315.  
 (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.



FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

We the undersigned Officers of the Newfoundland Regiment declare that  
in the presence of both of us,

No. 566 Pte. Walter James Petrie

of his own free will elected to be discharged in the United Kingdom,,  
renounced his claim to be repatriated in Newfoundland, and absolved the  
Government of Newfoundland from all liability to repatriate him.

Name Robertson  
Rank Lieut. Actg. Adjt.  
Date October 15<sup>th</sup> 1915

Name Ad White  
Rank MAJOR,  
COMMANDING DEPOT, N. F. L. D. REGT.,  
NEWTON-CR. AYR - N. B.  
Date OCT 15 1915



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**ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE**

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

*Royal Nfld. Regt.*

*Dept. of Militia,*

*ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.*

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OCT 20 1921

1921.

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

Walter J. Petrie (Deceased)

in respect of his service as No. 566 Rank Pte.

Name W.J. Petrie Royal Nfld. Regt.  
Nfld. Forestry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Reed at

Signature W. J. Petrie (Deceased) & his Son  
W. J. Duckworth

Date 17-1-1922

Address 15 Balsam Street

Walter J. Petrie

[P.T.O.]

# Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet

Army Form B. 121.

Number of Sheets: 1

Signature of O. O. Company Lt. Alexander Leitch

Regiment of New Forest Land

Printed and Sold by Gale & Poldon, Ltd., Wellington Works, Aldershot. 2/6 per 100 20,712-8.

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade		Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay		Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order depending on the V.M.	By whom awarded	REMARKS
No.	Name	Age	months	Trade	Service Pay or Proficiency Pay						
106	666 Police, W	19	years	Engineer							
107	George	28.10.14	6	months				3 days C.B.	28.11.15	Capt. Alexander	
108	George	3.1.15						2 days C.B.	4.1.15	Capt. Berard	
109	George	30.1.15						4 days C.B.	1.2.15	Capt. Alexander	
110	George	Feb 1st						2 days C.B.	1.2.15	Capt. Alexander	
111	Edinburgh	Mar 10th						7 days C.B.	12.3.15	Capt. Alexander	
112	Edinburgh	13.3.15						48 hrs. detention	15.3.15	Lt. Col. Burton	
113	Edinburgh	Mar 18						2 days C.B.	19.3.15	Lt. Col. Burton	
114	Edinburgh	Mar 25th						8 days C.B.	25.3.15	Lt. Col. Burton	

Date	Location	Event / Description	Personnel / Notes	Duration / Time	Remarks
Mar 25	Chimborazo	Brought forward Absent for defectives calls.	Dr. Steele	26.3.15	Lt. Col. Burton
May 7	Elmhurst	2. Breakfast 8:15, whilst a defectives Absent for tattoo to 10 p.m. day 9.	Capt. Alexander	10.5.15	Capt. Alexander
May 21	Stobs	Absent from Church Parade	Capt. Mercer	24.5.15	Capt. Alexander
May 26	Stobs	Refusing to obey an order	Capt. Mercer	27.5.15	Lt. Col. Burton
June 6	Stobs	Absent from Church Parade	Capt. Mercer	7.6.15	Capt. Alexander
June 26	Stobs Camp	Drunk in Mess at 8 p.m.	Documenting	7.6.15	Lt. Col. Burton
July 1	Stobs	Unwilling in B. Coy. lines	Capt. Houston	1.7.15	Capt. Agre
July 1	Stobs	Absent for all defectives calls. Present 5.4 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Capt. Kitch Capt. Houston	3.7.15	Lt. Col. Burton
10-7-15	Stobs	Absent from Entrenchment 3-30 A.M. 16-7-15.	Capt. King, Lt. R.W.	10.7.15	Lt. Col. Burton
16-7-15	Stobs	In communion 4 slow of bread & 1 crock of butter property in his company	Capt. Blair	16.7.15	Lt. Col. Burton
21.7.15	Stobs	Absent from 9-15 Parade 1. Breakfast camp.	Capt. Ryan Sgt. May, Private Capt. Stail	21.7.15	Lt. Col. Burton

Forfeit 3 days pay  
under R.W.

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# Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet. Army Form B. 121.

Number of Sheet: 2  
 Signature of O. C. Company: [Signature]

Regiment of: Newfoundland

Printed and Sold by Gale & Polden, Ltd., Wellington Works, Aldershot. 2/6 per 100, 20, 7 1/2 s.

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay		By whom awarded	REMARKS
No.	Name	Age on	months	Engineer	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order of discharge with trial		
Joined	Date	Date of Enlistment	years	Religion	Names of Witnesses			
Joined	Date	Period of	with Colours					
Joined	Date	with Reserve	years					
Joined	Date							
Place	Date of Offences	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	OFFENCE				
Stables	26.7.15	Pte.		Absent from Fetter-kill Camp, Sunday, 2.50 P.M. 30.7.15	Sgt. Spaulding	48 hrs F.P. 2	31.7.15	Lt. Col. Hunter, forfeits 5 days P.M.
Parade on Regt.	15.9.15	"		Provisionary bayonet and injury Pte. Bussay	Pte. Timoney	2 Days C.B.	18.9.15	Capt. Ulysses
do.	16.9.15	"		Absent from all operations parade, 6.30 to 9.30 pm	Lt. G. Mahony	2 Days C.B.	17.9.15	Major W.B. Cohen
"	22.9.15	"		Late for 7 AM + 9.15 AM parades	Sgt. Bennett	2 days C.B.	22.9.15	Capt. Ulysses
"	1.10.15	"		Late for 7.30 am	Sgt. W. Taylor	2 days C.B.	1.10.15	Capt. Ulysses
To be carried over								

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Extract from list of men discharged from the Royal Newfoundland Regiment on various dates.

#566 Pte. W. Petrie, Oct. 15th 1915, time expired