

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 2959 Name F. F. St. Simons Corps 608.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Frank Fred Hayward Simons</u> |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>Parson</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>yes</u> |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>18</u> Years <u>1</u> Months |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>farmer</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, Frank Fred St. Simons 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.

July 14/16

Frank Fred St. Simons SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

Ac Solmes Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Frank Fred St. Simons 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 on this 19 day of July 1916

Charles Aye Capt Signature of 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 608.

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

Date.....1916 } 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:— (Name)..... re-enlisted in the (Regiment)..... on the (Date).....

C. 2959

Frank. F.H Simms was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on July 14th. 1916..

~~Regimental No. 2959 was allotted to Pte F.H. Simms~~

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 20th, 1919.

2959

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's for Overseas,
28/8/16.

2959 Pte. F.F. Simms.

C.R. 2959

Extract from Nominal Roll Draft (All Ranks) to 1st Bn.

B.E.F. Embarked Southampton.

2959 Pte. F. Simms.

30-11-16.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Simms OF Christian Name J. Frederick H.

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish _____ County _____

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>14</u> day of <u>July</u> 19 <u>16</u> at <u>St. Johns, P. I.</u>		on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u> at _____	
Declared Age	<u>18</u> years <u>1 month</u> days		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Farmer</u>		_____	
Height	<u>5</u> feet	<u>9</u> inches	_____ feet	_____ inches
Weight	<u>146</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <u>41</u> inches		_____ inches	_____ inches
	Range of expansion... <u>5 1/2</u> inches		_____ inches	_____ inches
Physical Development	_____		_____	
Vaccination Marks	Arm	<u>left</u>		
	Number	<u>2 scars</u>		
When Vaccinated	_____		_____	
Vision	R.E.—V=	<u>6/6</u>	R.E.—V=	_____
	L.E.—V=	<u>6/6</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>Lamont Paterson</u>		_____	
(Rank)	<u>major</u>		_____	
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St. Johns</u> on <u>14</u> day of <u>July</u> 19 <u>16</u>		at _____ on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
	<u>11 P. I. L. D. Regiment</u>	<u>2959</u>	_____	_____
Transferred to	_____		_____	
Became non-effective by	_____		_____	
(Signature)	_____		_____	
(Rank)	_____		_____	

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

Date	Brief Details, and Signature
28-7-16	1 st Inoculation <i>T.P.</i> <i>LP</i>
3-8-16	2 nd " <i>LP</i>
9-8-16	3 rd " <i>LP</i>
20-8-16	Vacc. <i>LP</i>
13-11-16.	Fit for Foreign Service <i>N.W.</i>
12.6.17.	} <i>T. A. B.</i>
22.6.17.	} <i>2</i>

W. W. W.
W. W. 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

~~Office Copy~~ OFFICE COPY

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST to 191 Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.
 No. 2959 Rank 10 Name Summs, J. J. J.
 Died ^(a) Intestate at France on the 3 of Dec 1914.
 Deserted at _____ on the _____ of _____ 1914.

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

(Commanding Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

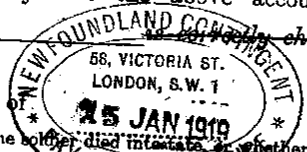
Form 1.

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month <u>3. 12. 14</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>
	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	<u>9</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>	Balance due to the Paymaster	<u>9</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>2</u>
			<u>8</u>				<u>8</u>	

CHECKED
P. J. J.

COPIED NO 1225/16/P.A.
 1 20 JAN 1919
 1ST BR.
 2ND BR.

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ _____ is ~~not~~ chargeable against the Publicity NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.
 Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____ 191 _____
 Paymaster.
 CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE



(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 Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.
 (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.
 WB486-783 200,000 8/16 HWV(P1580) Form O/1625/28
 15987-M1698 200,000 8/17

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 F. Frederick A. Simms

aged 18 yrs conducted at C. L. B.

Date: July 14/16. Recruiting Officer:

NO OF TEST FINDING

NO OF TEST	FINDING
1	no
2	no
3	no
4	no
5	no
6	yes 12 yrs ago in childhood - learning good - C. L. B.
7	yes
8	yes
9	no
10	n
11	n
12	n
13	n
14	n
15	n
16	n
17	n
18	n
19	Both
20	n
21	n
22	n
23	n
24	n
25	n
26	n
27	n
28	n
29	n
30	n
31	n
32	n
33	yes 10 yrs ago left arm 2 scars.
34	5-9
35	146 lbs
36	35 1/2 - 41
37	\$300. a year
38	parents Ma Fred Simms. Burin P.B.
39	none.

2959

Signature of Medical Examiner:

D. W. Burden

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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

Frank F. H. Simms

Address

Line Number

Rcd

By

Sent

by

Check

Dated

March 13, 1917.

To

Mr. Frank F. H. Simms,
Burin.

Regret to inform you that Record Office,
London, officially reports No. 2959, Private
Frank F. H. Simms, has been admitted to Wandsworth
suffering from pyrexia.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you and trust that next report will be of his convalescence.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

Counter No. _____

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Signature of Sender _____

Address _____

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check
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Dated Jan 1st, 1918

To Frank H. Simms, Burin

Regret to inform you that Record Office
London, officially reports

2959, Frank H. Simms, Pte. as missing Dec. 3rd.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 7959

Extract from German Official List forwarded through
Geneva Red Cross 14-3-18

Previously reported "Missing" now reported "Killed in Action"
Cemetery
buried in the /at Seranvilles.

#2959 Pte.F.H.Simms.

Missing 3-12-17

C. 2959
No. _____

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender W. R. A. Address Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Red	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated April 5th, 1918

To Frank E. Simms. Burin.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London reports to-day that No. 2959, Private Frank H. Simms previously reported missing now reported killed in action buried at Seranvilles Cemetery, near Cambrai. Authority official German list forwarded through Geneva Red Cross Society. 14th March

J.R. Bennett

Acting Minister of Militia

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

THIS MESSAGE IS NOT TO BE DELIVERED UNTIL RECEIVING OFFICE NOTIFIES THAT MESSAGE TO CHURCH OF ENGLAND MINISTER OR SCHOOL TEACHER, BURON HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 29-7

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

COPY.

Friedrichsfeld near Wesel,
Germany,
30th June 1918.

The Officer i/c Records,
R. Newfoundland Regt.,
58 Victoria Street, London.

Sir:

I have received a letter from Miss H.G. Simms, Kimberley Farm, Burin North, Newfoundland, dated 8th March 1918, asking me for information regarding her brother who was missing at 3rd December 1917. I have procured, thro' the Red Cross Society, the following information from Berlin.

No. 2959 Pte. Frank H. Simms found dead after the battle at Cambrai, and his identification disc sent to Berlin 25/1/18. Buried at Serayvillers.

I should be obliged if you would forward this information to Miss Simms with my deepest sympathy in her bereavement, and if she is yet in ignorance of his fate it may comfort her to know that her brother was buried in a soldier's grave.

No. 2486 Pte. Herbert Belbin, buried at Dusseldorf Cemetery. I was told that he was held in great esteem by his comrades in captivity, who placed a large wreath on his grave.

I remain,
Your obedient Servant,

(Sd) 174 (CPL) ARTHUR P. HARTLEY.

September 17, 1918.

Mr. Frank H. Simms,
Burin.

Dear Mr. Simms:-

I am writing to inform you that I am forwarding to you by "Register Post" one envelope containing the effects of your son the late #2959 Pte. F.H. Simms of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

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

Yours faithfully,


Lieut.

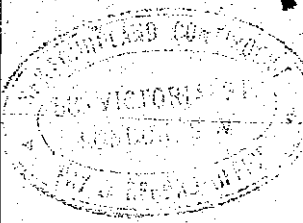
CASUALTY OFFICER.

Encl 1.

No. of ~~...~~ 3059

PERSONAL EFFECTS.

Name Quinn J. H.
 No. 2957 Rank Plt
 Regiment Newfoundland

Article	Where stored	Notified by
<u>Envelope</u> <u>Containing</u> <u>Dice</u>		SERVED IN NEWFOUNDLAND
	Final Disposal	

Remarks: - K.I.A. or D.O.W.

Next of Kin
Thos. H. Quinn
Burton

C.F. *[initials]*

Sept 16th, 1918

Miss H.G. Simms
Kimberley Farm
Burin, North

Dear Miss Simms:-

A letter has been received by this Dept. through the Record Office, London, from No. 174 Corpl. A.P. Hartley, in answer to a letter which you sent him dated March 8th. Corpl. Hartley states:

"I have procured through the Red Cross Society, the following information from Berlin:-

'No. 2959, Pte. Frank H. Simms found dead after the Battle of Cambrai, and his identification disc sent to Berlin 25th Jan., 1918. Buried at Seranvillers.'

"I should be obliged if you would forward this information to Miss Simms, with my deepest sympathy in her bereavement, and if she is yet in ignorance of his fate, it may comfort her to know that her brother was buried in a soldier's grave."

The above information was forwarded to you on April 5th by this Department, as you are doubtless aware.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

October 16, 1919

Frank H. Simms,
Surit.

Dear Sir:

I enclose cheque for \$61.24
balance of estate of late Pte. F. F. H. Simms
due you as Administrator.

I also enclose herewith
Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,



J. C. R.
PAYMASTER & O i/c Major RECORDS

SEP 23 1921.

The accompanying Victory Medal and/or British War Medal

are forwarded herewith to

Mr. Frank H. Simms (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 2959 Rank Pte.

Name Frank F.H. Simms Royal Nfld. Regt.
Nfld. Coy. 100th Bn.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received both medals

Signature Frank H. Simms

Date Oct. 17/21.

Address Burns (North) Nfld.

[P.T.O.]

Dept. of Militia,
St. John's.

August 26, 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 2959 Rank *PLC*

Name *Frank J. H. Simms*
Royal Newfoundland Regt.



Frank J. H. Simms (Sgd.)

Father Relationship.

Address *Burin (Kimberley Farm)*

Department of Militia
St. John's.

C.R. 2959
Jan 20th / 20

Dear Sir,

Kindly let me know if it would be possible to obtain a photo of my brother's grave. I thought now would be the most suitable time seeing that Capt. (Res.) Hangle is in France re-work of that kind.

Name & number as follows.

2959 Cb. F. Fred A. Simms

Buried at Seranville Cemetery near
Cambrai.

Yours very truly
(Miss) Helen G. Simms
Berwick Bay Arme
Berwick

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet. 28 MAY 1917

Army Form B. 121.

W. P. Griffith & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4.
1900 V. 0172121 1000m 9/11ms 23 56

Number of Sheet

Regiment of *Newfoundland*

Signature of O. C. Company *[Signature]*

Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay

Trade *Farmer*
Religion *C of E.*
Place of Birth *Quorn*

Enlistment
Age on *18* years
months
Place and Date of Enlistment *[Signature] 1916*
Period of { with Colours *1 1/2* years.
with Reserve *3 1/2* years.

Names of Witnesses

Punishment awarded

By whom awarded

REMARKS

OFFENCE

Failure to report for service when summoned

Killed in action. X

16 days detention

14/7/17

W. H. W. Watkiss

Place

Date of Offence

Rank

Cases of Drunkenness

Private

12/7/17

None

To be carried over

Army Form B. 121.

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. 2959 Name F. Simms

To Certify that I have received the AB 64 of the above
named Soldier.

Name F. H. Simms

Date Aug. 4/20

Place Kimbrey Farm, Bunn

N.B. For completion and return to the Department of Militia
insert in corner of envelope "AB 64"

WV

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regimental Number **2959**

Regiment or Corps **2/1 Newfoundland Regt.**
 Rank **Pte** Surname **Simms** Christian Name **Frank**
 Religion **C of E** Age on Enlistment **18** years **1** months.
 Enlisted (a) **14/7/16** Terms of Service (a) **Duration** Service reckons from (a) **14/7/16**
 Date of promotion to present rank _____ Date of appointment to lance rank _____

Extended { } Re-engaged { **MAR 2 1917** } Qualification (b) _____
 or Corps Trade and Rate _____

Signature of Officer i/c Records.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c. during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked S'hampton		30 NOV 1916	
		Disembarked Rouen		1-DEC 1916	
	29 F.B.D. Unit	Deposited 1 Days Pay Dep't of Lt. Long	France	3/12/16	6870 47 B
		Joined Battalion		12/2/16	BA13
					WILD BATT. REG'T
	89 F.A.	Ad. P.U.O.	France	24.2.17	E.A. 758.
	34 C.C.S.	Adm. P.U.O.	France	26/2/17	ED 746.
	11 Stat. H.	Ad. Myalgia	Rouen	1.2.17	H.A. 7204
	"Gloucestershire"	Inval. Ad. to England		10.3.17	LD 3085.
			Embarked		CAPTAIN.

(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) Signaller, Shoemaking-Smith, &c.
 General Headquarters, 3rd Battalion

[P.T.O.]

