

# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 3640 Name Maxwell Spencer Corps Co R

### Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your name? Maxwell Spencer
2. What is your full Address? Twillingate
3. Are you a British Subject? Yes
4. What is your age? 19 Years 7 Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? Fisherman
6. Are you Married? No
7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,\* which? No
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? Yes
9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? Yes
10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you?
 

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? Yes

I, Maxwell Spencer 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.

Maxwell Spencer SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
E. M. Longman Signature of Witness.

**OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.**  
I, Maxwell Spencer 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 as replied to, and he said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me on this 20th day of April 1911.  
Signature of Attesting Officer H. B. ...

**† 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 compiled with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the .....  
If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.  
Date ..... 1911  
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, Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former services, 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) .....

**DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTED MEN**  
 Applicable to all ranks. To correspond with entries on the Medical History Sheet.

Name Maxwell Spencer  
 Apparent age 19 years 7 months. Height 5 feet 7 inches  
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 36 inches  
 Range of expansion 3 inches  
 Distinctive marks \_\_\_\_\_

**INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT**

Name and Address of next of kin Mrs George (Mary) Spencer  
Twillingate | Relationship Mother

Particulars as to Marriage

(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	Promotion, 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>20-4-17</u>									
Joined at <u>M. St. John's</u> on <u>Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 17</u>									
				<u>Embarked M. St. John's to Halifax N.S. 19<sup>th</sup> 17.</u>					
				<u>Embarked for B.C. 1-12-17</u>					<u>Disembarked Queen 4-12-17</u>
				<u>Joined Battalion in the field 11-12-17</u>					
				<u>Killed in Action</u>					<u>12-4-18</u>
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

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**C.R.**

Extract from Daily Orders Part II Unit The Royal Wfld.  
Regt., St. John's, April 19th, 1917.

3640 Pte. M. Spencer.

Attached to the Strength from April 19th, 1917.

C.R. 3640

Extract from Nominal Roll, embarked St. John's for Overseas 19-5-17

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#3640 Pte. M. Spencer.

only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reserve only

# MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Spencer or Christian Name Maxwell

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Twillingate County \_\_\_\_\_

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
Examined	on <u>19<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u> 191 <u>7</u>	at <u>Headquarters</u>	on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>1</u>	at _____
Declared Age	<u>19</u> years <u>7</u> months		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Fisherman</u>			
Height	<u>5</u> feet <u>7</u> inches		_____ feet _____ inches	
Weight	<u>128</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Grith when fully expanded ... <u>36</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of Expansion ... <u>3</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
	_____	_____		
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R.E.—V= <u>4/6</u>		R.E.—V=_____	
	L.E.—V= <u>5/9</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. G. Proemier</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Lieut.</u>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at _____	on <u>19<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u> 191 <u>7</u>	at _____	on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>1</u>
Joined on Enlistment	Corps. <u>4/1st Rfld</u>	Regtl. No. <u>3640</u>	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
(Signature)	on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>1</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>1</u>	
(Rank)				



1915  
 This Form is to be used in connection with Pamph. M. E. (1)  
N. Y. 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 Maxwell Spencer  
 aged 19 conducted at Hdqs.  
 Date: 1914/17 Recruiting Officer:

NO OF TEST FINDING

- 1 no
- 2 no
- 3 no
- 4 no
- 5 no
- 6 no
- 7 yes
- 8 yes
- 9 no no
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- 19 7/16 in. 1/4 up
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33 no  
 34 5ft 7"  
 35 128 lbs  
 36 33. 36  
 37 \$42 per month  
 38 Falter. George. Sprungdale N. Y.  
 39 no  
 Signature of Medical Examiner: Geo Burden





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Extract from Memorial Roll Draft No. 34 marked outgates  
1/12/17 from 2/1st Newfoundland Regiment to 1/1st Newfoundland  
Regiment B.C.

3640 Pte. Spencer, E.

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Extract from Telegram received from London, dated  
May 6th, 1918.

#3640 Pte. Spencer.

Killed in action April 19th

Counter No. \_\_\_\_\_

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

## Cable Connection with all the World

C.R. 3640



### All Messages Sent are Subject to the Following Conditions:

The Management may decline to forward the Message, though it has been received for transmission; but in case of so doing shall refund to the Sender the amount paid for its transmission.

In case the Message shall never reach its destination by reason of any neglect or default of the N. P. T. or its Servants whilst the Message remains under the control of the N. P. T., they will refund the amount paid by the Sender for such Message.

The N. P. T. shall not be liable to make compensation beyond the amount refunded as above for any loss, injury, or damage arising or resulting from the non-transmission or non-delivery of the Message, or delay or error in the transmission or delivery thereof, howsoever such transmission, non-delivery, delay, or error shall have occurred.

The control of the N. P. T. over the Message shall be deemed to have entirely ceased for the purposes of these Conditions at any point where, in the course of the transit of the Message to its destination, it may be entrusted by the N. P. T. (and the N. P. T. shall have full power so to entrust the Message) for further transmission by or through any system, service, or line of Telegraph belonging to or worked by any administration or authority not controlled by the N. P. T. exclusively, although worked as part of or in connection with the Telegraphic system or service of the N. P. T.

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 \_\_\_\_\_ Address Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated May 6th, 1918,  
To Mrs. Mary Spencer, Twillingate

I regret to inform you that Record Office. London reports to-day No. 3640, Private Maxwell Spencer was killed in action April 12th. Upon receipt of further information you will immediately be wired.

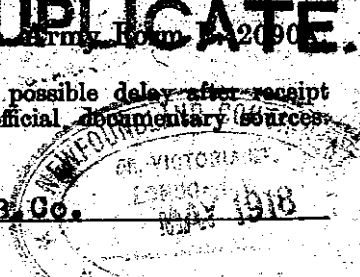
J.R. Bennett  
Actg. Minister of Militia

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:  
THIS MESSAGE IS NOT TO BE DELIVERED UNTIL RECEIVING OFFICE NOTIFIERS THAT MESSAGE TO CHURCH OF ENGLAND MINISTER OR SCHOOL TEACHER TWILLINGATE HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON

FOR TYPEWRITER

FIELD SERVICE.

**DUPLICATE.**



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 } Royal Newfoundland Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } B. Co.

Regimental No. 3640, Rank Private.

Surname Spencer, Christian Names Private *Thomas*

Died { Date 12-4-18, Place France or Belgium.

Cause of Death\* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report B. 213 d/22/4/18.

By whom made O.C. 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.

State whether he leaves a Will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not received, (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not received, (c) as a separate document None received.

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 P.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 } G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon } 22-4-18 } Signature of Officer in charge of Section } *[Signature]* } Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } Lieut. for MAJOR



~~PAY LIST COPY~~

to

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NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Post No. Regiment or corps

No. 3640

Rank Pte

Name Spencer M.

Died (a) Intestate at France

on the 12th of April 1918.

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.

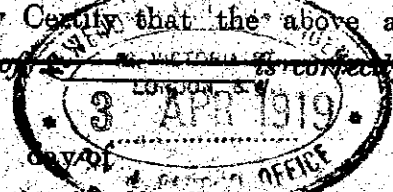
Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month .....				Balance Cr. last month 12.4.18 .....	9	16	3
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to .....			
	£ s. d.				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to .....			
	191				Messing allowance days at from to .....			
	"				Kit allowance .....			
	"							
	"							
	Consolidated stoppage .....							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	9	16	3	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
	£ 9 16 3				£ 9 16 3			

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to / / and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of ~~£ 9 16 3~~ is correctly chargeable against the Public ~~Account~~ NZWC CONDORS CONTINGENT,

Dated at

this



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CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER-IC RECORDS  
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 C. 1815.
- (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

Swelling  
July 25<sup>th</sup> 1918

2019  
The Adjutant General's  
The pay office.

St. Johns, Nf

Sir:

Re the enclosed form and  
matter of the late private Max  
Spencer who died on April 12<sup>th</sup> 1918.  
His sister Violet called on me  
this date to say she had received  
her allotment cheques of \$15.00 per  
mo up to May last but none  
since, and she understands the  
promise was made that the  
friends of a deceased man  
his death would receive his  
full pay at least until the  
war is over.

~~Max~~ ~~Spencer~~ ~~was~~ ~~born~~ ~~on~~ ~~Swallow~~ ~~in~~  
any way his brother told her if  
she had get all his money  
into this matter and reply  
to me as soon as possible  
and oblige yours truly  
Magistrate Scott

Melo

July 29th. 1918.

Magistrate Scott,  
Twillingate.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of July 25th. concerning the allotment payable to Miss Violet Spencer on account of her late brother, I beg to inform you that general instructions were issued that all allotments where they are not payable to parents or relatives where they can show dependents, are discontinued from the date of death and under this ruling the allotment of her late brother was discontinued.

I may further state that within a little while a claim for pension will be forwarded to her, to be filled out, and on receipt of it her claim for pension will be considered.

Yours truly,

Lieut.

July 5, 1919

Mrs. Mary Inder,  
Springdale,  
Twillingate Dist.

Dear Madam:

I enclose herewith  
cheque for \$67.25, balance of estate of late  
Pte. H.W. Spencer, due you as Administratrix  
of his estate.

I am also enclosing  
Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,



Capt.  
Paymaster.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 67 <sup>25</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

June 23 1919

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of Sixty Seven <sup>25</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.  
on account  
balance of Pay. Estate

Ch. No.	24833	Initials	ES
Pay Ledger	90	Initials	JH
Gen. Ledger		Initials	

Regtl. No.

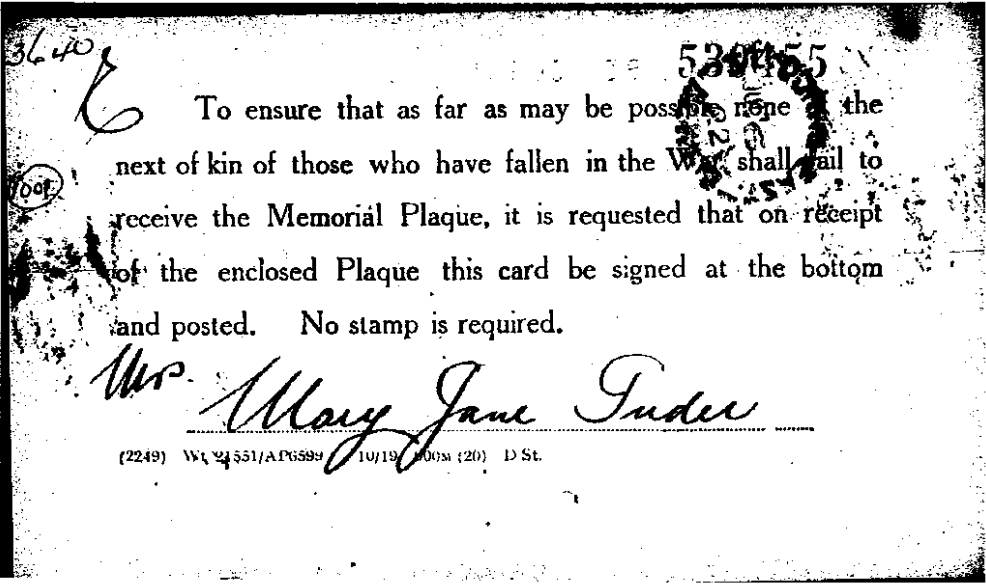
Rank

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ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

OFFICER i/c RECORDS,  
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA,  
ST. JOHN'S, Nfld.





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To ensure that as far as may be possible the next of kin of those who have fallen in the War shall 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.

Mrs. Mary Jane Tucker

(2249) Wt. 24 551/AP6599 10/19 0003 (20) D St.

1921.

The accompanying **Victory Medal** and/or **British War Medal**

is/are forwarded herewith to

Mrs. Inder (Mother)

in respect of his service as No. 3640 Rank Pte.

Name Maxwell Spencer **Royal Nfld. Regt.**  
~~Nfld. Force~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received the above

Signature Mrs Inder

Date Oct 21

Address St. John's

[P.T.O.]

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 12

Number of Sheet. *1st*  
 Signature of O. C. Company *W. R. R. R.*

Regiment of *1st Newfoundland.*

Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay

By whom awarded

REMARKS

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade		Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay		By whom awarded		REMARKS	
No. <i>36070</i>		Age on <i>19</i> years <i>7</i> months		<i>Fishermen</i>		Punishment awarded		Date of award or order dispensing with trial			
Name <i>Spencer, Maxwell</i>		Place and Date of Enlistment <i>St. Johns.</i>		Religion <i>Cof. B.</i>		Names of Witnesses		Date of award or order dispensing with trial			
Date <i>1917</i>		Period of <i>with Colours 577</i> years, <i>365</i> years.		Place of Birth		Punishment awarded		Date of award or order dispensing with trial			
Date <i>1917</i>		OFFENCE						Date of award or order dispensing with trial			
Date <i>1917</i>		Cases of Drunkenness						Date of award or order dispensing with trial			
Date <i>1917</i>		Rank <i>Pte.</i>						Date of award or order dispensing with trial			
Date <i>1917</i>		Date of Offence <i>1917</i>						Date of award or order dispensing with trial			
Date <i>1917</i>		Place <i>W. L. G. S. 96 km. F. P. 2, 207. Lt. Col. Whiteaker</i>						Date of award or order dispensing with trial			

*Killed in Action 12/40*

To be carried over	
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