

# First Newfoundland Regiment

## ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1395

Name in full Augustus Whalen Age 20

Address 18 Bonclady St.

Married Height 5 8 Weight 119  
Single

Color Light Hair Brown Eyes Grey

Other distinguishing marks none

Nearest relative Mother (Hannah)

Address 18 Bonclady Street

Dependents none

Occupation Presser Present Wage \$6.50 per week

Previous service

Decorations

General Remarks

Date of Enlistment up me 1915

I, Augustus Whalen, 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.

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Augustus Whalen

Declared before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day

of April, 1915

Original sent forward Newfoundland



C.P. 1395

• Augustin Whalen was attested for General Service  
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on April 9th 1915.  
Regimental No. 1395 was allotted to Pte A. WHELAN.

AUTHORITY:

Record Keeper

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

C.R. 1895

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's for Overseas per  
S.S. "Bulgarian" June 19, 1915.

1395 Pte. Whelan A.

**E.R.** 1345

Extract from Nominal Roll of Royal Nfld. Regt.  
Draft No.3. from 2nd Bn., Depot to 1st Bn., B.E.F.  
Embarked 28-3-16.

1395 Pte. A. Whelan.

**FIELD SERVICE.**

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 } NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company }

27 APR 1917  
REGISTRY

Regtl. No. 1395 Rank Private

Name WHALEN, A.

Date July 1st., 1916.

Died Place Somme, France.

Cause of Death\* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Burial Report, 10/4/17.

By whom made Rev. H. Knowles, C.F., att. 2/8 West Yorks.

\* Specify 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.

Place Map 57 d.Q.10.d.6.4.

Burial Date

By whom reported

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) No. (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not to hand. (c) as a separate document do

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.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

*Doohin* Lieut. for Lt.-Col., Officer i/c Records Reg. Inf. Sec. 1, 3rd. Echelon, G.H.Q., B.E.F.

Station and Date 3rd. Echelon, 22/4/17.

Regimental Number 1395 Company \_\_\_\_\_

THE  
1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

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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 *Austin Whalen*

Witness *Robertson*

Dated at  \_\_\_\_\_

191 \_\_\_\_\_

Regiment or corps *1st*  
 No. *1395* Rank *Private* Name *A. Whalen*  
 Died (a) *Indestate* *Drame* on the *12* of *July* 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>JUL 1 - 1916</i> .....                                       | <i>7</i> | <i>16</i> | <i>8 1/2</i> |
|      | Cash issues<br>(Date of each issue to be stated) |          |           |              | Pay days at _____ from _____ to _____  |          |           |              |
|      |  | £        | s.        | d.           | Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay<br>days at _____ from _____ to _____          |          |           |              |
|      | 191  |          |           |              | Messing allowance days at _____  |          |           |              |
|      | "  |          |           |              | from _____ to _____  |          |           |              |
|      | "  |          |           |              | Kit allowance .....  |          |           |              |
|      | "  |          |           |              | Amount produced by the sale of Effects from<br>Form 2 .....                            |          |           |              |
|      | Consolidated stoppage .....                      |          |           |              | Amount of Savings Bank balance, including<br>interest (if no balance, to be so stated) |          |           |              |
|      |  |          |           |              | Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....   |          |           |              |
|      | Balance due by the Paymaster                     | <i>7</i> | <i>16</i> | <i>8 1/2</i> | Balance due to the Paymaster .....   |          |           |              |
|      |  | £        |           |              |  | <i>7</i> | <i>16</i> | <i>8 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 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 191*6* Paymaster.

(a) Here state whether the soldier died testate, 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 put out when there is no debtor balance.



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

Surname Whelan Augustus OR Christian Name Whelan

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish St John's County .....

|   | SPECIAL RESERVE.          |                   | REGULAR ARMY.    |              |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|
|   | on                        | day of            | on               | day of       |
| Examined  | at <u>9</u>               | <u>apl</u>        | at               | 191 <u>5</u> |
| Declared Age  | <u>20</u>                 | years             |                  | days         |
| Trade or Occupation   | <u>Printer</u>            |                   |                  |              |
| Height  | <u>5</u>                  | feet              | <u>5</u>         | inches       |
| Weight  |                           | <u>119</u>        |                  | lbs.         |
| Chest Measurement   | Girth when fully expanded |                   | <u>34</u>        | <u>32</u>    |
|   | Range of expansion        |                   | <u>2</u>         | <u>34</u>    |
| Physical Development  |                           |                   |                  |              |
| Vaccination Marks   | Right                     | Left              | Right            | Left         |
|   |                           | <u>1</u>          |                  |              |
| When Vaccinated   | <u>1899</u>               |                   |                  |              |
| Vision  | R. E.—V=                  | <u>72</u>         | R. E.—V=         | <u>6</u>     |
|   | 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)   | <u>[Signature]</u>        |                   |                  |              |
| (Rank)  | <u>Capt</u>               |                   |                  |              |
|   | Medical Officer.          |                   | Medical Officer. |              |
| Enlisted  | at <u>St John's</u>       |                   | at               |              |
|   | on <u>9</u>               | day of <u>apl</u> | on               | day of       |
|   |                           | 191 <u>5</u>      |                  | 191          |
| Joined on Enlistment  | Corps.                    | Regtl. No.        | Corps.           | Regtl. No.   |
|   | <u>Revised Coy</u>        | <u>1395</u>       |                  |              |
| Transferred to..  |                           |                   |                  |              |
| Became non-effective by.  |                           |                   |                  |              |
|   | on                        | day of            | on               | day of       |
|   |                           | 191               |                  | 191          |
| (Signature)   |                           |                   |                  |              |
| (Rank)  |                           |                   |                  |              |

| Date   |   |
|--|---|
| May 17 <sup>th</sup> 1915<br>June 22 <sup>nd</sup> 1915<br>" 25 <sup>th</sup> 1915 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Vaccination 500 Million<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> " 1000<br>Vaccinated at Sea JB |
| 20. 3. 16.   | Fit for active Service. Anym.   |

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 |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Lt. J. H. ...<br>... |                                |                                      |                      |                                |                                     |

C.R. 1395

# 1395 WHALEN A. ✓

EXTRACT OF CASUALTY LIST RECEIVED FROM THE PAY  
& RECORD OFFICE LONDON DATED 7.11.16.

"REPORTED MISSING JULY 1, 1916."

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31st July, 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. 1395  
Private Augustin Whalen

has been posted as Missing.

Should any further information be received concerning him, such information will be at once communicated to you.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. Hannah Whalen,  
18 Boncloddy Street.

Colonial Secretary.

TRANSLATION OF MESSAGE SENT TO SYNOPTICAL ON  
Sept. 9, 1916.

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Relatives anxious for news of 1395 Whalen,  
1592 Nelson, 66 Richardson, 364 Woodford, report  
by telegraph present condition of 476 Haney, 1762 Brake  
1421 Goss, 35 Sheehan, 1340 Dawson. Telegraph  
particulars nature of wounds 57 Bishop.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

14th September, 1916.

Dear Madam,

On the 9th instant I cabled Captain Timewell at the Record Office of the First Newfoundland Regiment, London, asking him whether he could furnish any information regarding No. 1395, Private Augustin Whalen. I am now in receipt of Captain Timewell's reply, in which he states that no further report has yet been received regarding this man.

Upon receipt of any information from the Record Office, the same will be immediately communicated to you.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Hannah Whalen,  
18 Boncloddy Street,  
City.

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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,

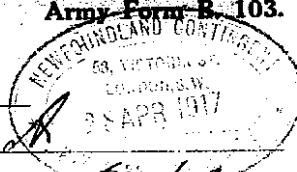
Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. Hannah Whalen,  
18 Boncloddy Street.

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**Casualty Form—Active Service.**



*Casualty Form Copy*

Regiment or Corps Newfoundland  
 Regimental No. 1395 Rank Pte Name Whalen  
 Enlisted (a) 27.4.16 Terms of Service (a) Duration Service reckons from (a) 27.4.16  
 Date of promotion } Date of appointment } Numerical position on }  
 to present rank } to lance rank } 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. 56, 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. 56, or other official documents. |
|----------------|--|--|---------------|----------------|--|
| Date           | From whom received                       |  |               |                |  |
|                |  | <u>Embka Southampton</u>   |               | <u>28.3.16</u> |  |
|                |  | <u>Disembka Rouen</u>  |               | <u>30.3.16</u> |  |
|                | <u>Unit</u>                              | <u>joined Battalion</u>  | <u>France</u> | <u>15.4.16</u> | <u>B213</u>  |
| <u>11.7.16</u> | <u>Unit</u>                              | <u>Missing</u>   | <u>France</u> | <u>1.7.16</u>  | <u>B213</u>  |
| <u>10.4.17</u> | <u>At Knowles C.3. B.H. 48 Westfords</u> | <u>Killed in action</u>  |               |                | <u>Final Report</u>  |

*See S. Bookill*  
*Pte No. 1 Regular Infantry Section*  
*P.O. 3rd Battalion*

(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, Shoemak Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties. (P.T.O.)



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To ensure that as far as may be possible none of the next of kin of those who have fallen in the War shall fail to 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. Hannah Whalen*  
*Boncloddy St*

(2.49) Wt 21351/AP6599 10/19 900M (20) D.St.


# Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

W. P. Griffith & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4, 121.  
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Number of Sheet 1

Regiment of 1st New Brunswick      Signatures of O. C. Company \_\_\_\_\_

|   |  |  |  |   |
|---|--|--|--|---|
| No. <u>1395</u><br>Joined _____<br>Date _____<br>Joined _____<br>Date _____<br>Joined _____<br>Date _____ | Regimental Number and Name<br><u>Whalen Agostino</u> | Enlistment<br>Ago on <u>21</u> years <u>0</u> months<br>Place and Date of Enlistment<br><u>S. J. J. J. J.</u><br><u>9. 4. 15</u> | Trade<br><u>Carpenter</u><br>Religion<br><u>Roman Catholic</u><br>Place of Birth<br><u>S. J. J. J.</u> | Good Conduct Badges, Services Pay or Proficiency Pay<br> |
|---|--|--|--|---|

| Place             | Date of Offence | Rank       | Cases Discussed | OFFENCE                          | Names of Witnesses | Punishment awarded      | Date of execution of order disposing with same | By whom awarded       | REMARKS                             |
|-------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <u>St. John's</u> | <u>29.7.15</u>  | <u>Plt</u> |                 | <u>Absent at 7 am Parade</u>     | <u>Plt. Ross</u>   | <u>2 days C.C.</u>      | <u>29.7.15</u>                                 | <u>Capt. S. S. S.</u> |                                     |
| <u>Newson</u>     | <u>9.10.15</u>  | "          |                 | <u>Absent when detailed duty</u> | <u>Plt. Ross</u>   | <u>5 days S.B.</u>      | <u>10/10/15</u>                                | <u>Plt. P. P. P.</u>  |                                     |
| <u>Newson</u>     | <u>14/2/16</u>  | "          | <u>1</u>        | <u>Drunk when warned</u>         | <u>Sgt. White</u>  |                         |  |                       |                                     |
|                   |                 |            |                 | <u>for 7 hrs for Drunken</u>     | <u>Capt. Ross</u>  | <u>72 hrs Detention</u> |  |                       | <u>12.16 Caps leading home 18.8</u> |
|                   |                 |            |                 | <u>Called in Action 1.76</u>     |                    |                         |  |                       |                                     |

To be carried over