

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 54 Name James Johnson Corps

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your name? 1. James Johnson
2. What is your full Address? 2. St. John's, Nfld.
3. Are you a British Subject? 3. Yes
4. What is your age? 4. 22 Years 0 Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? 5. None
6. Are you Married? 6. No
7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? 7. No
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? 8. Yes
9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? 9. Yes
10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you?..... 10. No { 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. Yes

I, James Johnson 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.

..... SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

..... Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, James Johnson 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 at St. John's on this 16th day of June 1916
Signature of Attesting Officer A. D. King 2nd Lieut

†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
If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.
Date 1916 }
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 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

C.R. 2634

Jas. Yetman was attested for General Service with
the NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT on April 28th 1916
Regimental No. 2534 was allotted to Pte Jas. Yetman

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th 1919

To be filled only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reservists enlisting Regular Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname Yetman

Christian Name James

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish

County

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on 24 day of April 1916	at St. Johns	on - day of 191	at
Declared Age	22 years 2 days		years	days
Trade or Occupation	Seaman			
Height	5 feet 7 inches		feet	inches
Weight	157 lbs.			lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded	39 inches		inches
	Range of expansion	2 inches		inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number	1		
When Vaccinated	19 months ago			
Vision	R.E.—V==	6/6	R.E.—V==	
	L.E.—V==	6/18	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>Samuel Paterson</i>			
(Rank)	Major Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at St. Johns	on 24 day of April 1916	at	on day of 191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	1st nfld Reg	Corps.	
	Regtl. No.	2654	Regtl. No.	
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
(Signature)	on day of 191		on day of 191	
(Rank)				

Table II.—Only for admission to hospital or to the sick list in case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.

Name of Hospital	Admitted to Hospital			Discharged from Hospital			Disease	Number of days in Hospital	Remarks bearing on the cause, nature or treatment of the case likely to be of interest or of further use. In cases of syphilis, admissions and re-admissions to hospital will be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars of treatment out of hospital, transfusions, &c., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.	Signature of Medical Officer
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year				
<i>St. John's Naval.</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Injury to spine.</i>		<i>Was on leave, was driving a low speed truck in boat.</i>	<i>St. Andrew Lewis.</i>

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#2634 James Yetman.

Extract of report by Major L. Paterson. August 17, 1916.

"I am of the opinion that this man is unfit for Military Service
His condition is not due to Military Service."

Original in M-576

Medical Report on an Invalid.

Station St. Johns Nf
 Date Dec 15/16.

- 1. Unit 1st Med Rgt.
- 2. Regimental No. 2634.
- 3. Rank Pte.
- 4. Name Yelucian James
- 5. Age last birthday 23.
- 6. Enlisted { on 24 April 1916.
at St. Johns Nf.
- 7. Former Trade { Seaman
or Occupation {

8. Disability.

Injury to Spine

Statement of Case.

Note.—The answers to the following questions are to be filled in by the Officer in medical charge of the case. In answering them he will carefully discriminate between the man's unsupported statements and evidence recorded in his military and medical documents. He will also carefully distinguish cases entirely due to venereal disease.

- 9. Date of origin of disability. 5/11/16
- 10. Place of origin of disability. St. Johns Nf.
- 11. Give concisely the essential facts of the history of the disability, noting entries on the Medical History Sheet bearing on the case. While on leave was kicked in back. Could not use legs or arms. No control he pass water. had to be catheterized for several days

- 12. (a) Give your opinion as to the causation of the disability.
- (b) If you consider it to have been caused by active service, climate, or ordinary military service, explain the specific conditions to which you attribute it (See notes on page 3).

not caused by active service.

13. What is his present condition?

Weight should be given in all cases when it is likely to afford evidence of the progress of the disability.

Shows very good use of right leg
+ right arm. Can pass water

Enough.

Reflexes exaggerated on both legs

14. If the disability is an injury, was it caused

- (a) In action?
- (b) On field service? ✓
- (c) On duty?
- (d) Off duty?

15. Was a Court of Inquiry held on the injury?

If so—(a) When? ✓

(b) Where?

(c) Opinion?

16. Was an operation performed? If so, what? ✓

17. If not, was an operation advised and declined? ✓

18. In case of loss or decay of teeth. Is the loss of teeth the result of wounds, injury or disease, directly* attributable to active service? ✓

19. Do you recommend

- (a) Discharge as permanently unfit, or
- (b) ~~Change to England?~~ ✓

J. W. Gordon Lieut.

Officer in medical charge of case.

I have satisfied myself of the general accuracy of this report, and concur therewith, except†

Station _____

Officer in charge of Hospital.

Date _____

* Loss of teeth on, or immediately after, active service, should be attributed thereto, unless there is evidence that it is due to some other cause.

† Delete this word if no exceptions are to be made.

Opinion of the Medical Board.

Notes.—(i.) Clear and decisive answers to the following questions are to be carefully filled in by the Board, as, in the event of the man being invalided, it is essential that the Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital should be in possession of the most reliable information to enable them to decide upon the man's claim to pension.

(ii.) Expressions such as "may," "might," "probably," &c., should be avoided.

(iii.) The rates of pension vary directly according to whether the disability is attributed to (a) active service, (b) climate, or (c) ordinary military service. It is therefore essential when assigning the cause of the disability to differentiate between them (*see* Articles 1162 and 1165, Pay Warrant, 1913).

(iv.) In answering question 20 the Board should be careful to discriminate between disease resulting from military conditions and disease to which the soldier would have been equally liable in civil life.

(v.) A disability is to be regarded as due to climate when it is caused by military service abroad in climates where there is a special liability to contract the disease.

20. (a) State whether the disability is the result of (i.) active service, (ii.) climate, or (iii.) ordinary military service.

no

(b) If due to one of these causes, to what specific conditions do the Board attribute it?

21. Has the disability been aggravated by

(a) Intemperance?

yes

(b) Misconduct?

yes

22. Is the disability permanent?

no

23. If not permanent, what is its probable minimum duration?

3 months

To be stated in months.

24. To what extent is his capacity for earning a full livelihood in the general labour market lessened at present?

In defining the extent of his inability to earn a livelihood, estimate it at $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, or total incapacity.

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25. If an operation was advised and declined, was the refusal unreasonable?

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26. Do the Board recommend

(a) Discharge as permanently unfit, or

yes

(b) Change to England?

Signatures:—

G.S. Lucas

President.

Station

S. Johns

Date

Dec. 15th 1916

L.P. Atkinson Mays

J. Hindle East

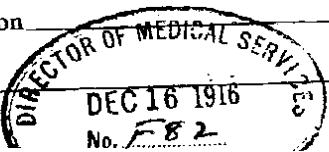
Members.

Approved.

Station

Clayton Macpherson Mays
Administrative Medical Officer.

Date



Descriptive Return of a Soldier Discharged on Account of Disability

INSTRUCTIONS—This form is to be completed in the case of every discharged soldier whose claim to pension on account of disability, is to be submitted for the consideration of the Pensions and Disabilities Board.

This section should be completed in the Hospital at which a man is attending at the time of his examination by a Medical Board, or, if the man is not in Hospital, by the Medical Officer of the Unit or Command Depot. The Soldier should be given a full opportunity of examining it, as, if awarded a pension, his subsequent identification depends on his confirming this declaration. The "Rank," "Station," and "Date" should be in his own handwriting.

The form will then be attached to the Proceedings of the man's Medical Board and will be forwarded to the O. i/c Records together with the remainder of the man's documents.

Changes occurring in the description subsequent to the date of admission to pension should be noted in red ink.

Name in full *James Yellean*

Regiment from which discharged *1st. Newfoundland*

Regimental number *2634.*

Intended address *Bally Road.*

Height on discharge *5* Feet *7*

Color of hair on discharge *Light Brown.*

Complexion *Pale.*

Color of eyes *blue.*

Figure on discharge *Medium.*

Christian name of Father *Andrew*

Christian name of Mother *Dead.*

Wife's maiden name in full

Date and place of marriage } *not married*

Christian names of children }

Place and date of soldier's birth. *St. Grace. 15 August. 1893*

Nature and locality of civil employment required

I declare that I am the soldier referred to above and that all the particulars contained in the above statement are, to the best of my knowledge, correct

(Soldier's signature in full) *Joseph Yellean*

(Rank) *Pte*

**
Believe
along*

Station *St. John's Nf.* Date *Dec. 15/16.*

I certify that the above named soldier signed the foregoing declaration in my presence, and that the above description and details are, to the best of my knowledge correct.

St. Burden Leint.
Medical Officer i/c Hospital.
Unit, or Command Depot.

Station *St. John's Nf.* Date *Dec. 15/16.*

December 21, 1916.

John Sullivan, Esq., J.P., K.P.M.,
Inspector-General Constabulary,
City.

Sir:-

Could you kindly let us have a brief history of the case of Jas. Yetman, a volunteer in the Newfoundland Regiment who was seriously injured in a street fight in St. John's on May 5th last. His case is now before the Board for consideration as to his pension ability or otherwise, and the question as to whether he was responsible himself wholly or in part for his injuries, or whether he was an innocent victim of an assault, will have its bearing on the Board's decision. I shall be glad to receive this information at your earliest convenience.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

CHAIRMAN.

CR. 2634

Extract from Roll of Officers N. C. O.'s and
men discharged from the Royal Newfoundland
Regiment.

<u>Regt. #</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>date</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
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2634	Pte.	Yetman James	29/12/16	Med. Unfit.
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C.R. 7634

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

#2634 Pte. James Yetman, discharged Dec. 29th 1916, Medically unfit



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

May 9, 1919

I hereby acknowledge that I have received
all my pay and allowances (including Clothing Allowance) and
all just demands up to the date of my discharge. Dec. 29/18

Sig

J. W. Yetman
Mark

Witness

W. Newbery Sgt

5/6 34
599
5817

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 57 ⁴⁰/₁₀₀

May 8 1919

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of Fifty Seven ⁴⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars.
on account of Pay. Pay
balance

Miss Julietman
Malk

Regtl. No.

Rank

Ch. No.	19557	Initials	EW
Pay Ledger	476	Initials	WT
Gen. Ledger		Initials	

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July 20th, 1920

Secretary

Board of Pension Commissioners

Sir:-

Herewith please is letter from Private James Yetman dated July 12th addressed to the Prime Minister. Will you kindly give this case attention with a view to ascertaining if this man is payable a pension in so far as his tubercular condition is concerned.

Please return the letter with your reply.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col..

Chief Staff Officer.

THE BOARD OF
PENSION COMMISSIONERS
FOR NEWFOUNDLAND

HON. J. A. CLIFT, K. C., C.B.E.
MAJOR W. H. PARSONS, M. C.
R.A.M.C.



In reply refer to

No.

C.R.

St. John's,

July 27th/20

Lt. Col. W. F. Rendell, C.B.E.,
Chief Staff Officer,
City.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge your letter of July 20th with attached correspondence from Pte. James Yetman to the Prime Minister with reference to his case.

I wish to say that this man's case was considered by the Board of Pension Commissioners and in view of the fact that his disability was neither due to nor aggravated by service, according to the Pension Regulations he was not in any way entitled to a pension or allowance, but later his case was again considered by the Board of Pension Commissioners and in view of the circumstances existing in this case a compassionate allowance of \$25.00 per month was allowed.

With reference to his Tubercular condition. I may say that he joined up in April 1916 but early in May was attacked and badly hurt by several civilians. He did not go overseas because owing to the injuries received was discharged from the Army, and later whilst undergoing treatment for same, he developed Tuberculosis, so this man's condition cannot be said to be due to his service whilst in the Army, therefore, no pension is payable to him on account of his Tubercular condition.

Correspondence is returned herewith as requested.

I have the honpur to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Actg. Secretary.

JBO'R/LBD.

Jensen Camp
Aug. 5th 1920

X
Col. Kendall
Dept. of Militia
Sir:

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Sometime ago I wrote the Hon. R. A. Squires regarding my case and he replied that he would take the matter up with you; since when I have heard nothing. Will you please let me know if anything is being done for me; if nothing comes in the near future I will be forced to appeal to Charity as it is impossible for my wife to make both ends meet with Twenty Dollars per month. My claim Sir at present is, that I should receive my pension, because that I have contracted Tubercular trouble while being treated at the

Military Hospitals and I certainly
did not have any before.

Trusting you will have
this matter looked into.

I Am, Sir,

Respectfully Yours

Reg. Number
2634

James Getman.

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August 10th., 1920

Ex-No. 2634 James Yetman
Jensen Camp.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of 5th August regarding your case. I might say that the Prime Minister wrote me some time in this connection, and I referred the matter to the Board of Pension Commissioners, whose reply was sent to Mr. Squires for reply to your letter to him.

The Board of Pension Commissioners stated in their letter that your case was considered by them, and in view of the fact that your disability was neither due to or aggravated by military service, you were not, according to the regulations governing payment of pensions, in any way entitled to a pension or allowance; but later your case was again considered by them, and in view of the circumstances existing a compassionate allowance of \$25.00 per month was allowed. They state that no pension can be claimed on account of your tubercular condition, as it is not due to military service.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.