



Private George Seymour (Regimental Number 6172) is buried in the Salvation Army Cemetery on Blackmarsh Road in St. John's.

His occupation prior to enlistment recorded as that of a fisherman, George Seymour presented himself for medical examination in Botwood on September 18, 1918, then enlisted five days later in St. John's, on September 23 - engaged for the duration of the war and at the private soldier's rate of \$1.10 per diem. He attested on that same day.

****In May of that year the Newfoundland Military Service Act (conscription) came into effect. From May 11 through to the end of the War the Department of Militia called a total of 1,470 men into active service.***

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On September 30, Private Seymour was sent to Petty Harbour on *special duty*. Having returned from there on an unspecified date, he was taken to the Barracks Hospital in St. John's on October 20 and from there, on the next day, was admitted into the Military Hospital for Infectious Diseases, having been diagnosed as suffering from influenza.

The son of Frederick Seymour, lumberman, and of Elizabeth Seymour to whom he left all his possessions – by the time of enlistment she had married Giles Budgell, also a lumberman - of Dominion Point, later called *Peter's Arm*, later again - and still today - *Peterview*; his money he left to his sisters, one of them Dora. Private Seymour was reported as having *died of sickness - of pneumonia following 'flu* - in hospital in St. John's at twenty minutes past five in the afternoon of October 27, 1918.

He was buried on the same day, by order of the health authorities.

George Seymour had enlisted at the age of twenty-five years.