



# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 1765 Name Herbert John Bellin Corps \_\_\_\_\_

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

- 1. What is your name? ..... 1. Herbert John Bellin
- 2. What is your full Address?..... 2. 17 Cook's Bay St. or  
St. Philips near Brown Cove
- 3. Are you a British Subject? ..... 3. Yes
- 4. What is your Age?..... 4. 22 Years 6 Months.
- 5. What is your Trade or Calling?..... 5. Lat office Clerk
- 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 } 10. \_\_\_\_\_ { Name \_\_\_\_\_  
meaning, and who gave it to you?..... } { Corps \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service } 11. yes  
to be signed by you if you are accepted?..... }

I, Herbert John Bellin 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.

Herbert John Bellin SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
Montgomery Signature of Witness.

### OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ 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. Philips  
on this 6 day of August 1915  
Montgomery  
Signature of the 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 : \_\_\_\_\_  
If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ 191 \_\_\_\_\_  
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, the 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, viz.—  
(Name) \_\_\_\_\_ re-enlisted in the (Regiment) \_\_\_\_\_ on the (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

## DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.

Applicable to all ranks. To correspond with entries on the Medical History Sheet.

Name: Herbert John Belbin -

Apparent age 23 years 6 months. Height 5 feet 6 inches.

Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 34 1/2 inches.  
 Range of expansion 3 1/2 inches.

Distinctive marks \_\_\_\_\_

### INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin Charles Belbin Esq.  
2 Phillips near | Relationship Father  
Good Lane Particulars as to Marriage.

(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow. (b) Place and date of marriage.  
 (c) Present address. (d) Initials of Officer verifying entry.

(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	Promotions, 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 _____									
Joined at _____ on _____									
<u>Promoted to Sfc 26.10.15</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above ... ..									

Total Service towards Engagement to \_\_\_\_\_ (date of discharge) \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ days  
 " " " Pension " \_\_\_\_\_ ( " ) \_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_ "

**FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.****ATTESTATION OF**No. 1765 Name Herbert John Bellin Corps \_\_\_\_\_

## Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment

1. What is your name? ..... 1. Herbert John Bellin
2. What is your full Address? ..... { 2. 17 Courts Langhorne or  
St Philips near Broad Cove
3. Are you a British Subject? ..... 3. Yes
4. What is your Age? ..... 4. 23 Years 6 Months.
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ..... 5. Post office Clerk
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. \_\_\_\_\_ (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, Herbert John Bellin 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.

Herbert John Bellin SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
E. Aug 7/15 Robert Bellin  
Montgomery Signature of Witness.

## OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Herbert John Bellin 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.

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 on this 6 day of August 1915  
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Date \_\_\_\_\_ 191

Place \_\_\_\_\_

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# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.

Applicable to all ranks. To correspond with entries on the Medical History Sheet.

1765

Name Herbert John Belbin  
 Apparent age 23 years 6 months. Height 5 feet 6 inches.  
 Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 34 1/2 inches.  
 { Range of expansion 37 inches.  
 Distinctive marks \_\_\_\_\_

## INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin Charles Belbin Sr.  
2 Phillips Row | Relationship Father  
Goodford Street Particulars as to Marriage.  
 (a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow. (b) Place and date of marriage.  
 (c) Present address. (d) Initials of Officer verifying entry.

(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	Promotions, 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>7-8-15</u>									
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>August 7/15.</u>									
Embarked <u>St. John's train to Quebec 27<sup>10</sup> 15</u> Disch. <u>26<sup>10</sup> 15</u> Re-embarked <u>136<sup>3</sup> 16</u> <u>24<sup>5</sup> 16</u> <u>James Unit</u> <u>14<sup>9</sup> 16</u> <u>Wounded</u> <u>29<sup>11</sup> 16</u> Admitted <u>5<sup>4</sup> 16</u> <u>Corp. Rank</u> <u>4<sup>11</sup> 16</u> <u>2<sup>11</sup> 16</u> <u>Ward</u> <u>4<sup>12</sup> 16</u> <u>Discharged</u> to base <u>2<sup>1</sup> 17</u> <u>Revised unit</u> <u>5<sup>2</sup> 17</u> <u>Wounded</u> <u>23<sup>4</sup> 17</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>27<sup>5</sup> 17</u> <u>4<sup>1</sup> 17</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>24<sup>4</sup> 17</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>1<sup>10</sup> 17</u> <u>London</u> <u>4<sup>11</sup> 17</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>4<sup>1</sup> 17</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>27<sup>4</sup> 17</u> <u>Embarked</u> <u>the Atlantic</u> <u>depart</u> <u>2<sup>6</sup> 17</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>22<sup>3</sup> 17</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>11<sup>5</sup> 18</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>3<sup>8</sup> 17</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>1<sup>11</sup> 17</u> <u>Wounded</u> <u>11<sup>3</sup> 18</u> Embarked <u>for</u> <u>12<sup>6</sup> 18</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>11<sup>5</sup> 18</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>3<sup>8</sup> 17</u> <u>Admitted</u> <u>11<sup>5</sup> 18</u>									
Dist of Wound					12	3	18.		
Total Service forfeited as above ... ..									

Total Service towards Engagement to 12-3-18 (date of discharge) 2 years 290 days  
 " " " Pension " " " " " " " " " " " "

REGIMENTAL NUMBER

1765.

COMPANY

A.

THE  
1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

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I hereby enlist for service at home or abroad in the King's  
Troops 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

A. B. Bellis

Witness

W. M. Churchill 2/18

Dated at

St. John's  
St. John's

June

1916.

C.R. 1765

WHEN REPLYING  
QUOTE No. ....

July 14th, 1919

A.W. Piccot

C/o Gorton Pew Fish Coy.

St. John's.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 10th in relation to the amount of the estate of No. 1765, Corporal Herbert J. Belbin, deceased.

In reply to your enquiry as to why the amount of \$286.89 was paid to Mr. Wm. Belbin when this Department had informed him that the estate amounted to \$389.89, I wish to explain that through a clerical error the latter amount was stated to be the amount due; and upon adjustment the correct amount being \$289.89 was administered to Mr. Belbin.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

No. 302

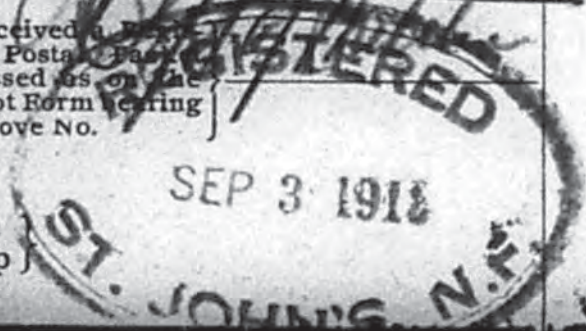
A REGISTERED POSTAL PACKET

Received from

Addressed

Received a Registered Postal Packet addressed as on the Receipt Form bearing the above No.

Office Stamp



*Chas Belbin  
St Philipa*

Received a Registered Postal Packet addressed as above...

*Racy*

C.R. 1765

SEPTEMBER 3RD. 1918.

Mr. Charles Belbin,  
St. Phillips,  
St. John's West.

Dear Mr. Belbin;-

I am writing to inform you that it is my regretable duty to forward to you the Personal effects of your late son #1765 Cpl. Herbert John Belbin, consisting.

- One cotton Bag,
- One souvenir note,
- Letters and photo's
- Prayer book
- Cards,
- Wallett,
- Fountain pen.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your berevement and in the renewed sorrow which receipt of these effects must entail,

Yours sincerely,

*M. J. W.*  
Lieut.



C.R. 1765

August 13th 1918.

Mr. C.R. Belbin,  
St. Philips.

Dear Mr. Belbin,

Whilst I was on the other side, I availed myself of the opportunity of making inquiries with regard to the particulars of the death and burial of your son, Cpl. Herbert J. Belbin. I beg to forward you herewith copies of two communications I have received, one from Lieut. Colonel Aldridge, Officer i/c of the 3rd Echelon, B.E.F., Rouen, France, and another from Sgt. H.J. Dewling. This latter Officer is the Representative of Newfoundland in that part of France. These communications speak for themselves, and if I receive the photograph, as promised, or any other communication, I shall forward them to you immediately.

Trusting you are well, and with best regards,

Yours faithfully,

Minister of Militia.

1765  
Counter No. \_\_\_\_\_

*Copy*

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



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I request that the following Telegram may be forwarded according to the foregoing Conditions, by which I agree to abide.

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Line Number \_\_\_\_\_

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Dated

21st July, 1916.

To

SYNOPTICAL,

LONDON.

Torwac seventeen sixtyfive Belbin.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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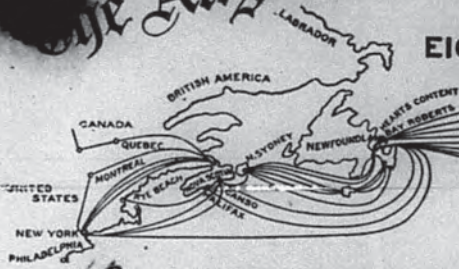
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*Pha foot London*

TO {

*Colonial Secretary.  
St Johns.*

*1765 Belbin depot Synoptical*

*Lt Herbert P*

*Oliver R*

Ev  
ATY  
24 July, 1916.

Dear Mr. Belbin,

I am now in receipt of a reply from Captain Timewell at the Record Office of the First Newfoundland Regiment, London, to the cablegram which I sent him on Friday last making enquiries as to the whereabouts of your son No.1765 Lance Corporal Belbin, which states that he is at present at the Depot.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Charles R. Belbin,  
St. Phillip's.

Infantry Section No 1

Dear Mr Bennett.

The information you  
asked for is as  
follows.

No 1765 Cpl Belbin  
died in C.C.S. (3rd Australian)

12.3.18, and was buried  
the following day in

High Plains Military  
Cemetery (Sheet 2) 4, 10  
23.5: 4.5); the grave

Being of regulation military  
type.

As this information  
is not quite within  
our province to give,  
I thought, in order to  
cover Sewling, I had  
better write you myself.

Yours sincerely,

Sacramento

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18

No.1 Infantry Section,  
G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon, B.E.F.  
July 6th. 1918.

To  
Hon. J.R. Bennet,  
Minister of Militia for Newfoundland,  
London.

Sir:-

With reference to your instructions, given me verbally on June 2nd. 1918 respecting No. 1765, Cpl. H.J. Belbin, Royal Newfoundland. I have the honour to report, that I have written the Officer Commanding No. 3 Australian Casualty Clearing Station for full particulars of death and burial of this N.C.O.

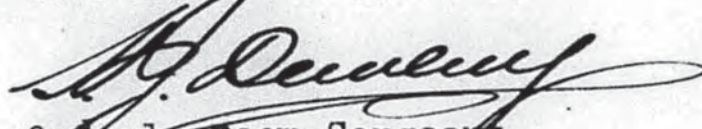
Immediately on receipt of this I shall communicate with you.

I am also endeavouring to get a photograph of the grave.

I have the honour, to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Orderly Room Sergeant,  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.,  
B.E.F.

C.R. 1765

Army Form W. 3032.

No. of Paper 1257


PERSONAL EFFECTS.

M

Name Belbin H.

No. 1765 Rank Corps

Regiment R. Newfoundland

Article	Where stored	Notified by
1 Cotton Bag:- Containing:- 1 Douceur 17 1/2 soles- Letters - Photos - Reliq. Book - Cards - Wallet - Handkerchiefs		SERIALIZED BY NEWFOUNDLAND
	Final Disposal	

Remarks:- D.O.W.

Next of Kin:- Chas Belbin Dr.  
St Philips  
Near Broad Cove



C.R. 1765

June 18th 1918.

Mr. Chas. Belbin,  
St. Philips.

Dear Mr. Belbin,

In accordance with a request made by you some time ago, the Minister of Militia wrote the Record Office, London, asking them to forward, as soon as obtainable, all possible particulars of the death of your son, the late #1765 Cpl. H.J. Belbin, the Royal Newfoundland Regiment; and any particulars concerning his burial that could be ascertained.

Major Timewell forwarded the Minister's letter to the Officer Commanding, 3rd Australian Casualty Clearing Station, France, and in reply the following answer has been received.

" B.E.F

11/5/18.

1765 Cpl. H.J. Belbin  
died at this C.C.S. on  
12/3/18 and was buried in  
Nine Elms Military Cemetery  
by Chaplain E.G. Buscamp  
C.F. on 13/3/18.

(Sd) W.R. PAGE, Capt. for

LT. COL.  
C.O. No. 3 Aust. C.C.S.

Yours faithfully,

C.C.P.

C.R. 1765

Extract of Casualty received from Pay & Record Office, London,  
dated 27th May 1918.

Place of Graves

Nine Elms British Cemetery, 1 m.W. of Poperinghe.

Reported by: Graves Registration Units

**1765 Cpl.H.J.Belbin**

Report Poperinghe 8.73.SSP. 3111/6)

C.R. 1765



DUPLICAT -  
MAIL COPY  
Posted 24 MAY 1918

DUPLICATE

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records,

L O N D O N

Mar. 27th, 18

15th May 8

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No. 1755, Cpl. H. J. Belbin.

~~Deceased.~~

I enclose copy of my No. 8724/1  
exchanged with O. C. 3rd Australian  
Casualty Clearing Station, B. E. F.  
France, please.

I should be glad if you will  
forward me, as soon as obtainable,  
all possible particulars of the  
death of the above soldier, and any  
particulars concerning his burial  
that can be ascertained.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

Acting Minister of Militia.

6724/1/R.&C.

C.R. 1765

C. Paymaster & O.i/c Records,  
~~Newfoundland~~ Contingent,  
London, S.W. 1.

Vice

Officer Commanding,  
3rd Australian Cas. C. Stn.,  
B.E.F., France.

Versa

Pay & Record Office,

B. E. F.,

2nd May, 8

11/5/18.

1765, CPL. H.J. BELBIN, Deceased.  
1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regt.

I have received the following enquiry from the Hon. Minister of Militia of Newfoundland (3899):

"I should be glad if you will forward me, as soon as possible obtainable, all possible particulars of the death of the above Soldier, and any particulars concerning his burial that can be ascertained."

Can you please give me the particulars asked for? Cpl. Belbin was reported to have died of wounds at your C.C.S. on 12/3/18.

1765 Cpl. H.J. Belbin died at this C.C.S. on 12/3/18 and was buried in Nine Elms Military Cemetery by Chaplain E.G. Mushcamp C.F. on 13/3/18.

(Sd) W.R. PAGE, Capt. for

Lt.Col.

C.O. No. 3 Aust. C. C. S.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

In. Ref. No. 4371.

HA/JC



C.R. 1765

St Philips

April 15 1918

Dear Sir:

Both Mr. Palka  
and myself wish to  
express to you our deep  
appreciation of your very  
kind letter of sympathy  
on the death of our dear  
son Herbert.

As you say the loss  
to us is certainly irreparable  
and we cannot soon  
forget it. But we are

Accord with the hope and  
trust that his stainless  
life and his devotion to  
Duty has gained for him  
a better Home through the  
merits of a loving Saviour

Again thanking you

I am Sir

in deep affection

Respectfully yours

Chas R. Bullock

The Hon J. R. Bennett:

Minister of Militia,

St Johns.

C.R. 1765

Chief Paymaster & O. i/o Records,

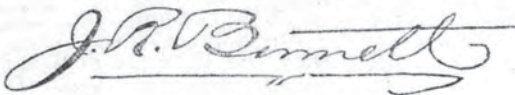
L O N D O N

Mar. 27th,

18

No. 1765, Cpl. H. J. Belbin.  
Deceased

I should be glad if you will forward me, as soon as obtainable, all possible particulars of the death of the above soldier, and any particulars concerning his burial that can be ascertained.



Acting Minister of Militia.



C.R. 1765

Mar. 26th. 1918.

Charles Belbin Esq.  
St. Philips'.

Dear Mr. Belbin,

I am taking this opportunity of expressing to you my very deep sorrow in the loss of your son No. 1765 Corporal H.J. Belbin and my sincerest sympathy with you in your bereavement. Corpl. Belbin's military career is one you may well feel proud of. Since his enlistment on Aug. 7th, 1916, up to the day of his death, March 12th., 1918, he performed his duties cheerfully and well. Whilst the Royal Newfoundland Regiment has lost the services of a promising and efficient Non-Commissioned Officer, the community has also lost a citizen who was exemplary in every way. The loss to yourself, Mrs. Belbin, and the other members of your family, is irretrievable.

On behalf of the Regiment, the Militia Department, and personally I wish to tender you my sincerest sympathy, and I trust you will find some consolation in the fact that your boy was an excellent soldier and died after nobly doing his duty in upholding the principles of truth and righteousness as well as defending the honour and integrity of our Flag and Empire.

I beg to remain,

Yours faithfully,

C.R. 1265

Extract from Casualties received from Pay & Record  
Office, London, dated March 21, 1918.

#1765 Corpl. H. Belbin.

Wounded March 11, 1918.

CR. 1765

Extract from Casualties received from Pay & Record Office,  
London, dated March 18th, 1918.

#1765 Corpl. H. Belbin.

O.C. 3rd Aust. C.C.S. France reports 12th March 1918.

S?W. Back Right Arm & Buttocks Died 12th March 1918.

Admitted 11th March 1918.

Mar. 16th, 1918

Dear Mr. Belbin:-

I regret to have to inform you that a report has this day been received from the Record Office of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, London, to the effect that No. 1765, Corporal Herbert J. Belbin at 3rd Australian Australian Casualty Clearing Station, France, dangerously ill March 11th, shell wound back, right arm, buttocks.

I trust that later reports will bring news of his convalescence.

Any further information received at this Office as to his condition will be at once notified to you.

Yours faithfully,

*J. R. V. Bennett*  
Acting Minister of Militia.

Mr Charles Belbin,  
St. Phillip's,  
St. John's, West.

C.R. 1765

March 16th 1918.

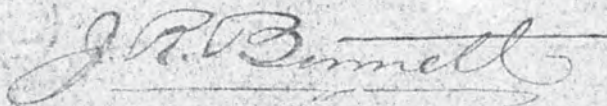
C. of E. Minister,  
St. Philip's,  
St. John's West.

Sir:-  
The Record Office, London, reports that #1765, Corporal  
Herbert J. Belbin, died of wounds at 3rd Australian Casualty  
Clearing Station, France, March 12th. Please notify next of  
kin.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Acting Minister of Militia.

C.R. 1765  
Counter No.

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender J. R. Bennett Address Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated Mar. 14th, 1918.

To Mr. Charles Belbin, St. Phillip's, St. John's West.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports

No. 1765, Corporal Herbert J. Belbin at 3rd Australian Casualty Clearing Station France, dangerously ill March 11th shell wound back, right arm, buttocks.

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

J.R. Bennett

Acting Minister of Militia.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 1765'

Extract from Casualties received from Pay and Record  
Office, London dated 13th March 1918.

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O. C. AUSTRALIAN CASUALTY CLEARING STN. FRANCE  
REPORTS. 11/3/18.

1765 Cpl. H. Belbin.

S.W. BACK, R. ARM, AND BUTTOCKS.

BC .

C.R. 1765

Extract from Casualties received from Pay & Record  
Office, London, dated March 13, 1918.  
O.C. Australian Casualty Clearing Station, France,  
reports 11/3/18:

#1765 Epl. H. Belbin. ✓

S.W. Back, Right Arm, and Buttocks.  
Dangerously Ill.



C.R. 1765

PROMOTION.

Daily Orders part 11. 3rd Echelon. 17/11/17.

1765 L/Cpl. H. BELbin.

Promoted. Cpl. 1/11/17.

C.R. 1765

Extract of Daily Orders part 11, by Lieut.Col. .L.  
Hadow, C.M.G., Commanding Newfoundland Regiment,  
9/11/17.

# 1765 L/C. H. Belbin, D.Co., ✓

to be Corporal.

The above promotion to date from November 1, 1917.

C.R. 1765

Extract from Nominal Roll of Draft No. 27, from 2/1st  
Newfoundland Regiment, Berry Camp, to 1/1st Newfoundland  
Regiment, B. I. F. Embarked Southampton 22/7/17.

1765 L/C Melbin, H. J.

MP.

~~C.R. 17 2486~~  
Usual action.

W.S.D.

14.7.17  
C.R. 1765

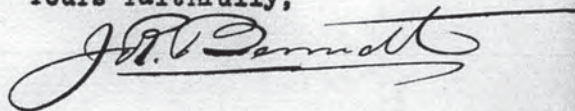
July 14, 1917.

M

Dear Sir Walter Davidson,

I have the honour to enclose herewith letter I have received from Mr. Chas. R. Belbin, of St. Phillip's, St. John's West, in reference to his son, Herbert Belbin, of the Newfoundland Regiment. I have consulted Sir Edward Morris, the Prime Minister, in relation to this matter and, as Mr. Belbin is a great friend of us both, Sir Edward suggested that I would forward the letter to you with the request that you would give his application your earnest consideration.

Yours faithfully,



His Excellency  
Sir Walter E. Davidson, K.C.M.G.,  
etc., etc., etc.,  
Governor.

St Philips

June 23, 1917.

The Hon. J. R. Bennett  
Colonial Secretary  
St John's

Dear Sir:-

It is now almost two years since my son, Herbert J. Belkin, enlisted in the Rifles Regt. Since then, as you know, he has been twice wounded. Namely last November and again on April 23<sup>rd</sup> last. I received a letter from him last week in which he tells me that he had just left the hospital at London, and was almost completely recovered from the effects of his wounds. In common with others, he expects this war to mean at least another winters' job; and he thinks that, if he had a few weeks complete rest at home this summer. (Which I think he is fully entitled to), he would be in better trim for the work again next fall. I should like to know if you think that there is any chance of his getting permission to do this, and I would be extremely grateful if you would kindly use your influence to this effect. An early reply would oblige. Very respectfully yours  
Chas R. Belkin

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

*Handwritten signature: Fred M. Murray*

Signature of Sender \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated May 1, 1917.  
To Mr. Chas. R. Belbin,  
St. Philips.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No. 1765, L. Corp. Herbert J. Belbin, was admitted First London General Hospital, Camberwell, suffering from gunshot wounds legs. 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.

C.R. 1765

Extract from Casualties received from Pay and Record Office,  
London, dated Jan. 5th 1917.

1765 L/C H. Belbin.

GW. Hand L.....Adm. 2 Con. Dep. Rouen ex 5 Gen. H. 27th Dec. /16

C.R. 1765

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

Extract of Casualty List received from P.&.R.O.  
January 4th. 1917.

1765, L/Cpl. H.J. Belmin. ✓

GW. V111 (1)L.Trans 2 Con. Dep. Le Treport ex 5 Gen.  
Hos. 27th. December 1916. ✓



C.R. 1765-

Extract of Casualties from list of sick and wounded N.C.O.S  
and men of the Expeditionary Force - France, received from  
the Pay and Record Office, London, dated Jan. 4th 1917.  
List No. H.A. 5436.

1765 L/C Belbin, H.J.

C.R. 1765

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

Extract of Casualty List received from P.&.R.O.  
January 5th. 1917.

1765, L/Cpl. H. Belmin. ✓

1 Newfoundland GW. Hand L Adm. 2 Con. Dep. Rouen ex  
1 Sty. Hos. 27th. December 1916.

M

December 13, 1916.

Dear Sir,

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. 1765, L.Corp. Herbert J. Belbin, was at the Fifth General Hospital, Rouen, December 4th, suffering from gunshot wound in the upper extremity, slight.

I trust that later reports will bring news of his convalescence.

Any further information received at this Office as to his condition will be at once notified to you.

Yours faithfully,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Charles Belbin,  
St. Philip's.

C.R. 1765

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record Office,  
London, dated December 13, 1916.

#1765 L/8.H. Belbin.

G.W. VIII (1) L. slight.

Admitted 5 General Hospital, Rouen 4th December 1916.

CB  
C.R. 1765

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record  
Office, London, dated Decembe 13, 1916.

#1765 L/Corpl. H. Belbin.

#

✓

Wounded November 29, 1916. }

C.P. 1765

Extract of Cablegram received from London, dated  
December 13, 1916.

#1765 Pte. Belbin.

Gunshot wound upper extremity slight. 5th General  
Hospital, Rouen. December 4th. ✓

C.R. 1765

Extract from Casualties.....List No. H.A? 4829.

1765 L/C. Belbin.

Adm. 5 Gen. H. Rouen 4th Dec, 1916.

G.W. VIII (1) L. Slt.

PROMOTION.

Extract of Regimental Orders, dated Nov. 1st. 1915.

By Lieut. Col. Sir W. E. Davidson, K. C. M. G. Officer Comdg.

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Lieut. Col. Comdg. has approved the following promotion.

No. 1765 H. Belbân.

To be L/Corporal from Oct. 26, 1915.



C.R. 1765

Extract from Nominal Roll entrained St. John's for Overseas.

27/10/15.

1765 L<sup>7</sup>C. H. Belbin.

C.R. 1765

Herbert J. Belbin

was attested for General Service

with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on ~~August 7th 1915~~

Regimental No. 1765 was allotted to Pte H. J. Belbin

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

C.R. 1765

Extract from Nominal Roll of MFLA, Regt. Draft No. 10 From  
2nd Hd. Depot, to 1st Bn. H.S.F. Embarked Southampton  
21-8-16.

1765 L/Cpl. H. Belbin.

H. J. Deekin.

C.R.

1760

Per 60

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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname Bellbin

Christian Name Herbert John

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish..... County Nfld



	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>6</u> day of <u>August</u> 191 <u>5</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>1</u>	
	at <u>St Johns Nfld</u>		at _____	
Declared Age	<u>23</u> years _____ days		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Post Office Clerk</u>		_____	
Height	<u>5</u> feet	<u>6</u> inches	_____ feet	_____ inches
Weight	<u>116</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <u>34½</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of expansion... <u>3½</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development	_____		_____	
Vaccination Marks	Arm	_____	Right	Left
	Number	_____	_____	_____
When Vaccinated	<u>1/20</u>		_____	
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>Samuel Paterson</u>		_____	
(Rank)	<u>Capt.</u>		_____	
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St Johns</u>		at _____	
	on <u>6<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>Aug</u> 191 <u>5</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>1</u>	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps. <u>1<sup>st</sup> Nfld Res</u>	Regtl. No. <u>1765</u>	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Transferred to	<u>Newfoundland</u>		_____	
Became non-effective by	_____		_____	
	on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>1</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>1</u>	
(Signature)	_____		_____	
(Rank)	_____		_____	



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

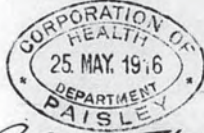
Name of Hospital.	Admitted to Hospital			Discharged from Hospital			Disease	Number Days in Hospital	Remarks bearing on the cause, nature or treatment of the case likely to be of interest or of future use. In cases of syphilis, admissions and re-admissions to hospital will be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars of treatment out of hospital, transfers, &c., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.	Signature of Medical Officer
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year				
Bladda J. S. Hospital Paisley	22	3	1916	12	4	16	Diphtheria	21	On admission throat swollen and inflamed small membranous patch on right tonsil. The Diphtheria bacillus found on microscopic examination. Up in blanket 31st March in clothes and April. Two negative swabs at internal dismissed 12th April 1916. Treatment 12,000 units Diphtheria anti-toxin on admission	Bladda Infectious Diseases Hospital Paisley.  G. Clark & Trotter MD.
THE LONDON GENERAL HOSPITAL	27	4	17	26	5	17	J. W. & Leg.	29	Wounds slight - Healed.	Quarles.

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

Date	Brief Details, and Signature
12-10-15	
19-11-15	<i>Place. R.P. Graham. Lt. Ramo.</i>
23-10-15	
28-6-16	<i>Ad for Foreign Service N.Y.W.</i>
12-6-17 } 22-6-17 }	<i>T.A.B.</i> <u>2</u>
	<i>W. H. M. C.</i> Capt. R.A.M.C.

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
<i>56 John Welfa</i>					

No. 1765 Name Wp: Balbum, H.J. Squ., Batty., or Company } H

Corps Newfoundland Regt.

Date of enlistment } Aug. 7. 1915

G.C. Badges }

Service or Proficiency Pay }

Date of last entry in Company Conduct Sheet } /

No. and date of last drunk } /

Period not reckoning towards freedom from extra fine }

Sheet No. 1

Signature O.C. Company, etc. }

W. H. Carr

Character

Place	Date of offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	Offence	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	Remarks

Transferred to England

11.4.17

Army Form B. 122

Woodcock  
23-4-17



**ORIGINAL**

**FIELD SERVICE.**

Army Form B. 2090A.

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 } **D. Co.**

Regimental No. **1765.** Rank **Corporal.**

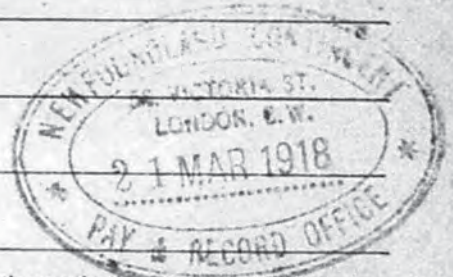
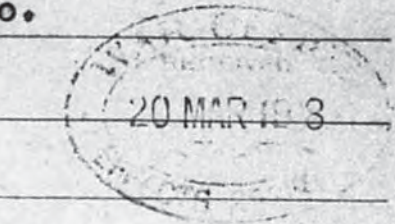
Surname **Belbin.** Christian Names **H.**

Date **12-3-18.** Place **France or Belgium.**

Died Cause of Death\* **Died of Wounds received in Action.**

Nature and Date of Report **A 36 from 3rd. Aus. C. C. S., 12-3-18.**

By whom made **O. C. 3rd. Aus. C. C. S.**



\* 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.

**COPY SENT TO**

**O.C. H.Q.** (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) **Not received.** (b) in Small Book (if at Base) **Not received.**  
State whether he leaves **ST. JOHNS N.F.L.D.** (c) as a separate document **Not received.**  
N.F.P. 36 No. **279** 8510/66

No. documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will be found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any instructions 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.

**G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon.**

Station and Date } **16-3-18.** Signature of Officer in charge of Section } **Light. for** MAJOR  
Adjutant-General's Office at the Base }



# CABLEGRAM

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



No. of Message \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1, Northumberland Avenue, W.C.

The following CABLEGRAM received, at \_\_\_\_\_

8.17 P.M. "Via Commercial Cables." 21 JUL 1916

ACB 66 GVT STJOHNS NF 8

SYNOPTICAL LN

TORWAC SEVENTEEN SIXTYFIVE BELBIN

COL SECTY

\* Telegraph whereabouts of

Depot

*[Handwritten signature]*

Ref. No.	2532
Recd.	JUL 22 1916
Acc'd.	
Ans'd.	
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No Inquiry respecting this Message can be attended to without the production of this paper. Repetitions of doubtful words should be obtained through the Company's Offices, and not by *direct* application to the Sender.

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24/7/18

TO PREVENT MISTAKES PLEASE WRITE DISTINCTLY.

On Newfoundland Government Service

To COLONIAL SECRETARY

ST-JOHNS (NEWFOUNDLAND)

1765 BELBIN DEPOT.

SYNOPTICAL.

**NOT TO BE  
TELEGRAPHED.**

Having read the conditions printed on the back hereof, I request that the above telegram be forwarded by the Western Union Telegraph-Cable System, subject to the said conditions to which I agree.

*Signature* \_\_\_\_\_

*Address* \_\_\_\_\_

**58, Victoria St., S.W.**

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(95)

St. Philip's  
Jan'y 25. 1917

R.F.

Sirs:-

Just a few days ago I registered and mailed  
a small square box covered with white canvas;  
to 1765 Lance Cnp. Hubert J. Belbin

1917 NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	850
Rec'd.	FEB 15 1917
Ack'd.	
Ans'd.	
File No.	

D Company  
Newfoundland Regiment  
B. E. F. France

in care of your office. As I was not aware  
of the regulation, requiring that the contents  
of all such packages should be declared on the  
outside. I omitted to do this. Fearing however  
that the parcel may not reach its destination  
for some time because of this, I hereby beg  
leave to certify on my honour that the said  
package contained nothing more than  
1 cake; 1 pudding and two pairs socks

With regret for my neglect and hoping  
that this may satisfy; and that the parcel  
may be forwarded to its destination im-  
mediately. I am Sirs

Respectfully yours  
Chas R. Belbin

Thesepay & Record Office,  
58 Victoria Street,  
London. E. C.

96

22nd February, 1917.

1636/1

C. R. Belbin, Esq.,  
St. Philip's,  
Newfoundland.

Sir,

Postal Services

With reference to your letter 25/1/17 concerning a parcel addressed to 1765, L/Cpl. H.J. Belbin, presumably the one you mention was received at this office on 17/2/17 and despatched the same date. It was included in a postal bag with others and handed to the Army Post Office which takes charge of all mail matter for ultimate delivery to troops in the Field. Having reached that process it is highly improbable that the omission, as stated by you, of marking the contents on the outside cover will affect delivery.

I am,

Madam,

Your obedient servant,

Major,  
Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

HT/NW

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

To: Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,  
 Newfoundland Contingent,  
 58, Victoria Street,  
 London, S.W.

Please remit per Postal Money Order to:

Mr H. B. Bittin, 707 Ward.  
London General Hospital, Commercial

the sum of 10 pounds 10 shillings, on

Account of any balance that may be due to me.

Def. No.	2368
Rec'd.	MAY 14 1917
Ack'd.	4518/3-14/5/17
Ans'd.	
File No.	

Regtl. No. 1765 Rank Capt.

Name H. B. Bittin.

Approved R. B. Bowers M.B.

Medical Officer i/c London

1st London General Hospital.

Dated 23rd London Hospital

12.5.17

May 9th 1917

4518/3.

14th May 1917..

1st London General

Camberwell, S. E.

1765 B/Cpl. H. Belbin, 1st Newfoundland Regiment.

: 19: 0.



NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

N.F.P/33.

Temporary A/c.

Regtl No. 1765 Rank L/c

Name L. Belbin

Pay	F. Allow	Working	Total
<u>1.05</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>1.15</u>
Less Allotment			<u>70</u>
Net Rate			<u>45</u>

Date	DEBITS	£ s d			CREDITS	£ s d		
		£	s	d		£	s	d
1917	Balance				Balance			
	P.H. ADVANCES:							
	A.B. 64				Pay @ Net Rate:			
	Acquittance Rolls	6	6	2	28/12/17 to 26/5/17 = 155 days			
	Hospital Advances	15	0		US = \$ 69.75.	14	6	7
	STOPPAGES:				Ration allowance			
	hospital dys =				26/5/17 to 4/6/17 = 10 days	1	0	0
	Forfeited Pay dys							
	Miscellaneous							
	Cables							
	P. & R.O. PAYMENTS:				1/1 to 1/1 = days			
	Sundry Bills							
	Cash							
	<i>Cash 26/5/17</i>	7	1	2		24	8	6
		16	10	0				

but unfortunately  
 She has not the address  
 & neither has the  
 Soldier friend who  
 wrote her. She  
 respects giving the  
 trouble but will feel  
 greatly obliged if  
 you could send her  
 her

NEWFOUNDLAND GOVERNMENT		
PAY & RECORD OFFICE.		
Ref. Nos.	4337	
Rec'd	MAY 1918	
Ack'd	AUG 1918	
Ref. Nos.	5011	
ACCEPTED UPON		
BRANCH	DATE	BY
Comd.		
P & A.		
R. & C.	17/5/18	Jh
B & E		
P.S.		

13. 5. 18

from Mrs. A. Sess  
 of Bedford Avenue  
 St. J.

Mrs. A. Sess would feel  
 obliged if she could  
 have the home address  
 of <sup>(1765)</sup> ~~Capt. H. J. Belbin~~,  
 he paid the Supreme  
 Sacrifice in March,  
 she had word from one  
 of the boys she knew  
 reply over

Next of Kin of  
1765 Cpl H. Belben  
Chas Belben (Father)  
St. Philip near Broad Cove

20

**PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS,  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W. 1.  
ENGLAND.**

1765 L/CPL BELBIN  
3490 THE FOLKS.

Enclose 2 letters received  
from SISTER DOUGLAS, perhaps you  
will reply direct please.

*Stange*

ROYAL LIEUT. COL  
COMMO. 1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE.

Ref Nos. in 2829

rec'd 26 MAR 1918

Ack'd and *Sh*

Ref Nos. DU

NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT  
B. F. F.  
21/3/18  
PAYMASTER

ACC'D  
BRANCH DATE 55  
Comd.  
P & A  
R & C. 21/3/18 *Sh*  
B & E  
P.S.

Can you supply me with  
this brand

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AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.

Proved by ob. 1st Mar  
Cousin 26/4/18  
H.A.D.

No. 3. Alls.

Mar 14<sup>th</sup> 1918<sub>1917</sub>

From Sister Douglas.  
To the C.O.  
1<sup>st</sup> Royal Newfoundland Regt.

A patient L/Corp Belbin 1765 1<sup>st</sup> Royal  
Newfoundland Regt died in our hospital on Mar 12<sup>th</sup> 1918.  
No next-of-kin has been found among his papers,  
will you kindly forward any address you may have  
in your records.

Sister Douglas.  
Sister-in-charge.

Next of Kin Ches. Belbin Sr. Father  
St. Philips near Broad Lane  
Dist. of St. Johns  
Nfld

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6724/1/R.&C.

Forms  
C. 348

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE.

Ref. Nos. IN **437**  
Rec'd **14 MAY 1918**

Army Form C. 348.

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

From **88 VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.1,  
ENGLAND.**

**MEMORANDUM.**

Ans'd

To **Officer Commanding,  
3rd Australian Cas. C. Str.  
B.E.F., France.**

Ref. Nos. **437**  
From **Paymaster and Officer  
In Charge Records,  
Newfoundland Cont.**  
To **Newfoundland Cont.**

From **No. 3 Aust. C.C.S.**

Comd.

P & A.

R & C ✓

ANSWER.

Pay & Record Office,

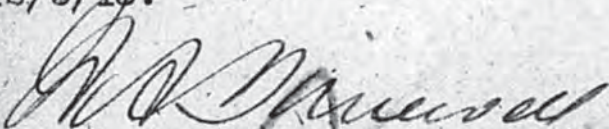
2nd May, 1918

1765, CPL. H.J. BELBIN, Deceased.  
1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regt.

I have received the following enquiry from the Hon. Minister of Militia of Newfoundland (3899):

"I should be glad if you will forward me, as soon as possible obtainable, all possible particulars of the death of the above Soldier, and any particulars concerning his burial that can be ascertained."

Can you please give me the particulars asked for? Cpl. Belbin was reported to have died of wounds at your C.C.S. on 12/3/18.



Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

HA/JC

No. 8 AUSTRALIAN  
CASUALTY  
CLEARING STATION,  
A.I.F.

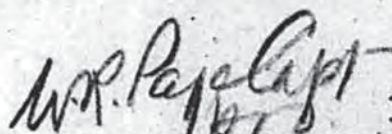
191

No.

Date

**11/5/18**

1765 Cpl. H.J. BELBIN died at this C.C.S. on 12.3.18 and was buried in Nine Elms Military Cemetery by Chaplain E.G. Muschamp C.F. on 13.3.18.



Lieut. Col.

C.O. No. 3 Aust. C.C.S.

Form with fields for Date, No., and No. 8 AUSTRALIAN CASUALTY CLEARING STATION, A.I.F.

# Department of Militia

## MEMORANDUM

No. 1765

7674

From  
**MINISTER OF MILITIA,**  
 ST. JOHN'S,  
 NEWFOUNDLAND

To  
**Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records,**  
**L O N D O N**

Mar. 27th, 1918

SUBJECT:

**No. 1765, Cpl. H. J. Belbin.**  
**Deceased**

REPLY

Dated 15th May, 1918

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE

I should be glad if you will forward me, as soon as obtainable, all possible particulars of the death of the above soldier, and any particulars concerning his burial that can be ascertained.

I enclose copy of my No. 6724/1 exchanged with O.C. 3rd Australian Casualty Clearing Station, B.E.F., France, please.

Major,  
 Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

*J. R. V. Bunnell*

Acting Minister of Militia.

HA/JC

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
 PAY & RECORD OFFICE.

Ref. Nos. IN ✓ 3899

Rec'd 1 MAY 1918

Ack'd \_\_\_\_\_

Ref. Nos. OUT

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# Department of Militia

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*J. R. V. Bennett*

Acting Minister of Militia.

HA/JC

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
 PAY & RECORDS OFFICE.

Ref. Nos. IN ✓ 3899

Rec'd. 1 MAY 1918

Ack'd \_\_\_\_\_

Ref. Nos. OUT \_\_\_\_\_

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 P & \_\_\_\_\_  
 R & C ✓  
 B & F \_\_\_\_\_  
 P.S. \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE COPY.

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps

ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

No. *M 65*

Rank *Corporal*

Name

*Belbin, J. J.*

Died (a) *Intestate*

at *France*

on the

*12<sup>th</sup>* of *March*

191 *8*.

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 .....	<i>12</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>18</i>
	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	<i>3</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>8</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		<i>£ 3</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>8</i>		<i>£ 3</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>8</i>

CHECKED.  
*P.L.H.*  
10 MAR 1919

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ *3 5 8* is correctly chargeable against the Public and CONTINGENT,

Dated at this day of *MAR* 1919

\_\_\_\_\_  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS.

- (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 O. 1815.
- (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

Belkin, H. J.

1765

Hay Dept

**ORIGINAL.**

Army Form O, 1928

**PAY LIST.**

to

**191 . Voucher No.**

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps **Royal Newfoundland Regiment,**

No. **1785**

Rank **Corporal**

Name **Belbin H.I.**

Died<sup>(a)</sup> **Intestate at France**

on the **18th** of **March**

**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 <b>12/3/18.</b> .....	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	
	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	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	Balance due to the Paymaster .....				
		£				<b>£</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to **11 MAR 1919** and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

CHECKED.  
P.L.A.  
10 MAR 1919

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular and that the debtor balance of **NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT** is correctly chargeable against the **NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT**

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 191 .

**10 MAR 1919**  
LONDON, S.W.  
SECOND OFFICE

*[Signature]*  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER

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**ORIGINAL.**

Army Form O. 1625.

**PAY LIST.**

to

**191 . Voucher No.**

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps **Royal Newfoundland Regiment,**  
 No. **1765** Rank **Corporal** Name **Belbin H.I.**  
 Died (a) **Intestate** at **France** on the **18th** of **March** 191**8**.  
 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.

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	Balance Dr. last month .....				Balance Cr. last month <b>12/3/18.</b> .....	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>
	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	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		<b>£</b>				<b>£</b>		
		<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>

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CHECKED.  
 P.L.A.  
 10 MAR 1919

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance is ~~correctly~~ **correctly chargeable against the NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.**

Dated at **LONDON, S.W.** this **10 MAR 1919** day of **MARCH** 191**9** **191** *(Signature)* 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 with Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.  
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ORIGINAL

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
 No. 1765 Rank Corporal Name Belbin H.I.  
 Died (a) Intestate at France on the 12th of March 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.

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Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.	
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	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated) £ s. d.				Pay days at from to .....				
	191				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to .....				
	"				Messing allowance days at from to .....				
	"				Kit allowance .....				
	Consolidated stoppage .....								
	Balance due by the Paymaster	3	5	8	Balance due to the Paymaster .....				
		£	3	5		£	3	5	8

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CHECKED.  
 P.L.A.  
 10 MAR 1919

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 3 5 8 is correctly chargeable against the Public Account of the NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, LONDON, S.W.

Dated at this day of 10 MAR 1919 191

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE

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ORIGINAL.

Army Form O. 1625.

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to

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No. 1765

Rank Corporal

Name Belbin H.I.

Died(a) Intestate

at France

on the 12th of March

1918.

Deserted at

on the of

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	Consl				of Savings Bank balance, including crest (if no balance, to be so stated)				
					Pay or Gratuity .....				
	Balance due by the Paymaster	3	5	8	Balance due to the Paymaster .....				
	£	3	5	8		£	3	5	8

CHECKED. P.S.A. 10 MAR 1919

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 3 5 8 is correctly chargeable against the Public.

Dated at

this

day of

191

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, LONDON, S.W. 70 MAR 1919

F.H. Handell CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFF. PAYMASTER CORPS.

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191 . Voucher No.

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on the **12th** of **March**

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Deserted at

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	Consolidated stoppage .....							
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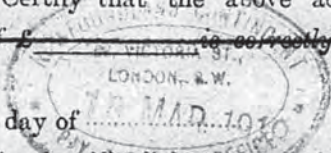
CHECKED  
P. J. D.  
10 MAR 1919

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Dated at

this

day of



*H. J. Marshall*  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE OF RECORDS.  
Paymaster

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**PAY LIST.** *MAN COPY.*

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		<b>£</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>£</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>

CHECKED  
 P.S.D.  
 10 MAR 1919

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, ~~and that the~~  
~~debtor balance of £~~ ~~is correctly chargeable against the~~ **NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,**

Dated at this day of **MAR. 1919**  
 10/ *H. Marshall*  
 CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS  
 Paymaster

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MAIL COPY.  
PAY LIST.

to 191 . Voucher No.

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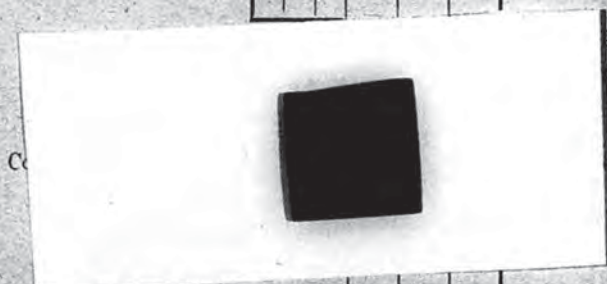
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					produced by the sale of Effects from m 2 .....				
					of Savings Bank balance, including rest (if no balance, to be so stated)				
					Pay or Gratuity .....				
	Balance due by the Paymaster	3	5	8	Balance due to the Paymaster .....				
		£	3	5		£	3	5	8



CHECKED.  
P.S.D.  
10 MAR 1919

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, ~~and that the~~  
~~debtor balance of~~ NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
 Dated at LONDON, S.W.  
 this day of MAR. 1919

Chief Paymaster  
 CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE

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ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

*The Royal Nfld. Regt.*

*Dept. of Militia,*

*ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.*

NO STAMP REQUIRED

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

... August 18 ..... 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 1765 Rank Capt.  
Name Herbert J. Belbin  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Chas R. Belbin, (Sgd.)



Relationship.  
Address

**DUPLICATE.**

FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

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 } D. Co.

\* Regimental No. 1765. Rank Corporal.

Surname Belbin. Christian Names H.

Died { Date 12-3-18. Place France or Belgium.

Cause of Death\* Died of Wounds received in Action.

Nature and Date of Report A 36 from 3rd. Aus. C.C.S., 12-3-18.

By whom made G.C. 3rd. Aus. C.C.S.

\* 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. in Small Book (if at Base) Not received.  
(c) as a separate document Not 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 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.

Station and Date } G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon. } Signature of Officer in charge of Section } [Signature]  
Date } 16-3-18. } Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } Lieut. for MAJOR

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 38<sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

May 7 1919

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of Thirty Eight <sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.  
~~on account~~  
balance of Pay. Estate

Ch. No. 19692	Initials. <i>lew</i>
Pay Ledger 80	Initials. <i>je</i>
Gen. Ledger	Initials.

Regtl. No. Rank

*[Handwritten signature]*

No. 1768.

Rank *Ce*

Name *H. J. Belbin*

May 21, 1919

Mr. Charles R. Belbin,  
ST. PHILIP'S,

Dear Sir:

I enclose cheque for \$38.77,  
balance of estate of late Cpl. H. J. Belbin,  
due you as Administrator of his estate.

I am also enclosing herewith  
Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,

Supt.  
Paymaster.





P.No. 2266.

#0765

Belbin, Chas.

10<sup>00</sup> from 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 30 $\frac{3}{2}$

30<sup>00</sup>

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BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS FOR NEWFOUNDLAND

Regt. No. 1765 Rank Cpl Name Bellie

Date of enlistment \_\_\_\_\_

Next of Kin \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICULARS OF ALLOTMENT

Allottee \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of commencement \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Date cancelled \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICULARS OF DEATH

Nature of Casualty \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Casualty \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Casualty \_\_\_\_\_

Date case disposed of MAR 15 1920

Decision of Board:

no dependency shown

Approved by:

[Signature] Chairman  
[Signature] Members of Board

Apr 25/20. Acc. No. 5770

*[Handwritten signature]*

Received 10/4/20

owing to Sons ill now \$10.00 a month is allowed for Six months from date. on production of Certificate of Sons Condition this case will be further considered  
6/19/20 Having referred to Dr. Amballs Certificate  
W.H. Parsons

W.H. Parsons Ch.

Dec. 8th/30

Mr. Charles R. Belbin,  
St. Phillip's.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to the allowance of \$10.00 per month which you are receiving.

I beg to state that the Board has re-considered your case, and it has been agreed to continue this allowance for another six months in view of Dr. Mitchell's report.

Yours faithfully,

Captain.  
For Secretary.

LBD.

April 26th/22.

Mr. Charles R. Belbin,  
St. Phillip's.

Dear Sir:-

Your case has been before the Board for further consideration, and I have been instructed to inform you that it is regretted you are not considered as being totally or to a material extent dependent upon the ~~deceased son for support~~, and that a more favourable decision cannot be made in your case.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

EBD.

THE BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS FOR NFD.

Pension No. 2266.

Charles R. Belbin, St. Phillips, father of 1765 Cpl. Belbin, deceased. Age 26 years. Date of death, March 12/18.

Declaration.

1. Applicant.

58 years of age, unable to work, \$300.00 from Teachers Reunion, retired from teaching through inability to continue longer.

Dependent on member of forces for three years.

2. Family.

Robert G. Belbin, grocer, married.

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3. Deceased.

Prior to enlistment contributed ----- amount not stated.

After enlistment allotted 70% per day.

4. Affidavit.

Signed by Simon Butler, Comm at St. John's, July 18/19.

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Case considered by the Pension Board on March 15/20.

No dependency shown.

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# BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS FOR NEWFOUNDLAND

## REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

NAME <u>Chas. R. Bellis</u> ADDRESS <u>Broad Cove</u> <u>St. Phillips</u> DATE <u>Dec 11/21</u>	FILE NO <u>Pu. 2266</u> VISITOR <u>Wm. Dussay</u> EXAMINED <u>[Signature]</u>
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Page 1.

1.—IDENTIFICATION	1. <u>Age 60 years</u>
2.—ADMINISTRATION	2. <u>Yes</u>
3.—ENVIRONMENT	3. <u>Own home with wife and son.</u>
4.—FOSTER-PARENTS	4. <u>—</u>
5.—EARNING CAPACITY	5. <u>—</u>
6.—REAL ESTATE	6. <u>House lawn and plot of land.</u>
7.—ESTATES	7. <u>—</u>
8.—SOURCES OF INCOME	8. <u>\$260.00 per year Teachers Pension \$45.00 per year son Post office \$50.00 from Telephone Co.</u>
9.—CHILDREN'S CONTRIBUTIONS.	9. <u>Nil. Only one son who has been Sick on post two years</u>
10.—DECEASED'S EARNINGS	10. <u>\$6000 per year.</u>
11.—DECEASED'S CONTRIBUTIONS.	11. <u>Approx \$300.00 per year</u>

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION--- (Continued)

Page 2.

12.—COMPARISON OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

12.

13.—SEPARATION ALLC. & ASSIGNED PAY.

13.

70 cts per day

14.—DECEASED'S ESTATE

14.

In Favor of Applicant -

15.—AFFIDAVITS

15.

REMARKS

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Applicant and wife in fairly comfortable circumstances. But Single Son has been sick on foot two years (Dormitory in hospital now) and Applicant had to support him. He claims present income is not sufficient to support himself and wife.

IMD



June 9th/31

Mr. Chas. R. Belbin,  
St. Phillips,  
St. John's W.

Dear Sir:-

I have been directed to acknowledge receipt of your communication of May 33rd to Mr. Clift, and to state that the Board has had your case before them for further consideration, but it is regretted that they cannot alter their former decision, viz: that you are not, according to the War Pensions Act, eligible for pension on account of your deceased son.

Yours faithfully,

Asst. Secy.

CCO/EBD.

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	Date	Initials
RECEIVED	26/5/21	O.
REFERRED TO		Boyd
ANSWERED	8/6/21	O.

St Philips  
May 23. 1921

The Hon. J. A. Clift K. C. C. B. E.  
Chairman B. of Pensions  
St Johns

Sir:

The Secretary's reply to my letter to you of March 14<sup>th</sup> has been duly received, and as I hoped, long ere this, to have obtained a suitable position for my son I was content to abide by the decision of the Board.

In my position, the fact that Doctor Mitchell, who thoroughly understands my son's case, has advised him not to take any position that would compel him to be too much inferior. Acting on this suggestion, about two months ago he applied for a position as Under Prison Keeper with the N. S. Coy at Bell Island, and has been promised the first opening there. As however the Coy are only employing a very limited number of men at present and are therefore not in need of additional Prison-keepers, he is still awaiting the fulfilment of that promise. Since then he has interviewed the Manager personally who told him that he would certainly get the position as soon as there would be an opening. And as it is a good one, according to

to Doctor Mitchell; a suitable provision for him,  
I am awaiting that chance. In the meantime there  
is absolutely nothing that he can do around here  
to earn anything, and as he needs food of a  
special quality and boots and clothing, I find it  
very difficult with my now very limited income to  
get them for him. Only a short while ago I was  
compelled to draw on a small reserve that I had  
in order to provide him with some necessary clothing.  
Under these special circumstances I appeal to the  
Board and ask them to kindly reconsider their de-  
cision and to continue the allowance for a just a  
few months longer.

Should you have any doubts as to the truth  
of my statements, I would refer you to the Rev A. E. E.  
Legge, (Rector of Portugal Cove) who is intimately with  
the facts as herein set forth. And who is in a position  
to state as to whether my claim is a just one or not.

St. Philips  
St. Johns West

I Am Sir  
Respectfully yours  
Chas. R. Bolton

P. No. 2266

Belbin Herbert J.

Pension @ 10<sup>00</sup> from 1.4.20 to 31.12.20  
10% Increase

90 00

9 00

90 00

9 00

Apr. 4th/21

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Chas. R. Dalbin,  
St. Phillip's,  
St. John's West.

Dear Sir:-

I have been directed to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 14th of March to the Chairman, and to state that the Commissioners have had your case before them for consideration, and have agreed that the allowance which you are now receiving should cease at the expiration of the period.

Yours faithfully,

Asst. Secy.

CCO/EBD.

2266

March 12, 1921

I certify that I have this day examined Chas R. Belbin,  
he is very much improved in health but is not yet fit  
to resume work.

*J. Whiteley M.D.*

St. Philips.  
March 14<sup>th</sup> 1921

The Hon. J. A. Clift K. C. C. B. E.  
Chairman  
Bd. of Pensions Comr.  
St. Johns

Sir:

I am enclosing a certificate that my son received from Doctor Mitchell on the occasion of his last visit to him on Saturday past. While thanking you and the other members of the Board whose kindly interest in my case was instrumental in obtaining for me the sum of \$10<sup>00</sup> per month for the past year I would like to ask the Board: in view of the fact that the Govt. has recently consented to a readjustment of the Pensions paid to disabled Soldiers and to the dependents of those who, like my son, gave up their lives in the late war: that if they do not consider that the claim of my wife and I should be considered under this last heading. Unfortunately I myself am unable to work and as my income is a very limited one, I find it difficult at times, because of the

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1  
Great high cost of living to provide even the  
barest necessities for my son and ourselves.

I would be quite content if it could  
be found convenient to grant us a  
small monthly payment at least for a  
year or two, or at least until the present  
high prices were reduced to something  
like normal. If this cannot be done  
I shall be extremely grateful if the present  
monthly payment could be continued  
for another period of six months

I am Sir  
Respectfully yours  
Chas R. Bolton

St. Philips.  
St. Johns Wash

DR. MITCHELL  
DUCKWORTH STREET

ST. JOHN'S, N. F.  
PHONE 565

For \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ 191

**B**

September 7th/20

I certify that Charles  
Belbin, son of Chas. Belbin  
of St Philips, St, Johns, is  
still under treatment and  
not yet fit to take a  
permanent position.

*M. Mitchell M.D.*

HAMMILL 2266  
BOND

FORM FOR MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

Regarding disabilities of persons who should naturally contribute to the support of the dependents of deceased soldiers.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT Charles Belbin  
is disabled to the extent of (in fractions) 1/4 in earning  
a livelihood, owing to, (here describe the disabling condition)  
Albuminuria.

His (or her) occupation is clerk.

His (or her) average weekly earnings for the past year have been  
nil.

His (or her) present weekly earnings are nil.

The name and address of present or last employer is Agre Bros

The disability will probably cease 6 months

Place

J. M. Whiteley M.D.

Signature of physician, surgeon, etc.

Date

Sept 10/20

Address

Agre Bros N.F.

THE BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS FOR WFLD.

Pension No. 2266.

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Declaration.

1. Applicant.

58 years of age, unable to work. \$300.00 from Teachers Reunion, retired from teaching through inability to continue longer.

Dependent on member of forces for three years.

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Prior to enlistment contributed ----- amount not stated.

After enlistment allotted 70¢ per day.

4. Affidavit.

Signed by Simon Butler, Comm at St. John's, July 18/19.

5. Case Disposed of.

Case considered by the Pension Board on March 15/20.

No dependency shown.

Reconsidered April 12/20 owing to son's illness \$10.00 per month is allowed for six months from date, on production of son's condition with certificate this case will be further considered.

I certify that Charles Robert Belbin and  
Sarah Clark were married in the Church  
of St. Philip, Broad Cove on Jan. 2, 1888,  
by the Rev. Walter R. Smith, Incumbent.  
This information was obtained from the  
Registers of Marriages for the Parish (C. of E.) of  
Portugal Cove.

A. E. Chegge.  
Rector.

July 7, 1919.

Thereby certify that Herbert John, son  
of Charles Robert and Sarah Belbin,  
was born at Broad Cove, St. John's West, on  
Feb. 9, 1892, and baptized on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>  
of the same year by Rev. W. R. Smith, Pa-  
rumbert. This information was  
obtained from the Register of Baptisms for  
the C of E. Parish of Portugal Cove.

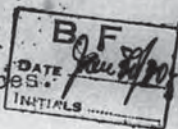
July 7, 1919.

A. E. Legge.  
Rector.

THE BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS  
FOR NEWFOUNDLAND.

FILE

Application for Pension of the parent, grand-parent or foster-parent of a deceased or Insane member of the Forces.



1. What is the full name, age, and address of the applicant?

(Full name) Charles R. Belbin  
(Age) 58  
(Address) St Philips  
St Johns Wood

2. What was or is the number, rating, or rank full name, ship or unit of the member of the forces in respect of whom application for pension is made?

(Number) 1765 (Rating or Rank) Corporal  
(Full name) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Ship or Unit) \_\_\_\_\_

If deceased, where and when did he die and at what age?

He died at France  
on the 12th day of March 1918  
aged 26 years.

If insane, where and by whom is he being cared for? Give address.

Cared for by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) \_\_\_\_\_

3. What relation is applicant to the member of the forces?

Father

(Attach marriage certificate of applicant and birth certificate of member of the forces.)

4. How long has applicant been dependent on the member of the forces?

I have been dependent on the member of the forces for three years.

(a) How much did deceased contribute per month to applicant's support previous to enlistment?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Was superannuation allowance paid to applicant, and if so, how much?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Was assigned pay paid to applicant, and if so how much?

\$ 70c per day

(d) Was patriotic fund allowance paid to applicant and if so how much?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_

5. Has applicant any occupation or calling? If so, what? If applicant is not working or employed, why not?

(Occupation)

Unable to work

6. Has applicant's husband or wife any occupation or calling? If so, what? If not, why not?

(Occupation) *NONE*

7. Has applicant any income from the following, and if so, how much

(a) Earnings or salary

(b) Annuities, interest, stocks, bonds, mortgages, property of any kind, rents or any investments.

*\$27.00 from Teacher's Pension Fund, Retired from Teaching Profession 10 1/2 years ago owing to inability to continue longer*

(c) Bequests, estates, trust monies

9. If applicant is the father why can he not support himself? (Attach Medical Certificate)

10. If applicant is a widow give date of husband's death. (Attach husband's death certificate)

11. Was the applicant the beneficiary of any estate left by husband or wife of applicant or by the member or the forces or by any deceased children of applicant? If so, how much?

12. The following are the true particulars of applicants adult children now living. (Be careful to give fully all the information asked for below.) (See question 13 for children under age limit.)

Names	Sex	Age	Occupation	Married or Single	State whether contributing towards maintenance of parent, and if so, how much? If not, why not?
<i>Robert G. Bolin</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Married</i>	<i>Earning self sufficient to support himself &amp; family</i>

*Charles R. Bolin male: 16 Messenger Single*

*Unable to contribute anything to my support, owing to the fact that his salary at present (\$17.00 per month) is not sufficient to pay his traveling expenses. I have to pay the balance & provide him with necessary clothing*



13. The following are the true particulars of applicants children boys under sixteen and girls under seventeen years of age now living. (Be careful to give fully all the information asked for below.)

Name	Sex	Date of Birth	Occupation if any, and amount of earnings or income	Place of Residence	By whom Maintained
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14. Were the children mentioned in question 13 maintained by the member of the forces, and if so for how long and to what extent?

I, Charles R. Belbin, the above named applicant, being duly sworn, depose and say that the answers which I have given to the above questions contain the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

Signed and sworn before me

at St. John's

this 18<sup>th</sup>

day of July A.D. 1919

Samuel Butler  
Commissioner,  
Commissioner,  
or Justice of Peace.)

Signature Chas R. Belbin

(Note: The marriage, birth and death certificates and other documents referred to in the form will be returned to the applicant after perusal.)

M.P. Form 2.

Thereby certify that the statements made above by Mr. Belbin are correct.

July 6, 1919.

A. E. G. Legge  
Rector of Parish of Portuguese Cou.

FORM FOR MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

Regarding disabilities of persons who should naturally contribute to the support of the dependents of deceased soldiers.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT Charles R Belbin  
is disabled to the extent of (in fractions) 100 in earning a  
livelihood, owing to (here describe the disabling condition)

Spinal disease, (since childhood which  
has become acute again past 3 yrs)

His (or her) occupation is none

His (or her) average weekly earnings for the past year have been

nothing

His (or her) present weekly earnings are nothing

The name and address of present or last employer is

Board of Education (was 1st grade teacher, Cuyahoga  
for 38 years)

The Disability will probably cease

permanent

Place

John 77

M. Antesece M.D.  
Signature of physician, surgeon, etc.

Date

July 18/19

Address

April 22, 1920


Mr. Herbert J. Belbin,  
St. Phillips.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to advise you that the Board of Pension Commissioners have agreed to pay you at the rate of \$10 per month for six months.

I herewith enclose cheque for \$10 being payment for the month of April.

Yours faithfully,



Asst. Secretary.

TMH/RT

April 13th/30

Mr. Chas. P. Belbin,  
St. Phillips,  
St. John's West.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to your application for pension on account of 1765 Cpl. Herbert Belbin, deceased.

I beg to state that the Board has considered your claim, and it has been agreed to allow you the sum of \$10.00 per month for six month from April 13th. At the expiration of this period if you will produce a Medical certificate concerning your son's condition, your case will be further considered.

Yours faithfully,

Asst. Secy.

LBD.

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. ....

*St. John's,*

March 26, 1920

Mr. Chas. R. Belbin,  
St. Philips.

Dear Sir:-

I have to acknowledge your letter of March 23rd, having reference to your Application for Pension.

The Pension Act states:-

"a Dependent means the parent of a member of the forces, who at the time of his death, and for a reasonable time previously thereto, had not sufficient earnings or income to provide for their maintenance, and who during such time was wholly or to a material extent dependent upon themember of the forces. Dependents in receipt of income or earnings equal to \$480 per year, shall be deemed to have sufficient earnings or income for their maintenance."

Your Application shows that you are in receipt of Retiring Allowance, as an ex-teacher, and that you have another son, seventeen years of age.

Under these circumstances, it is regretted that an award cannot be made.

I shall be glad, however, to place your case before the Board for re-consideration, if you will forward me the attached Medical Certificate filled in, concerning your son's disability.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

WHP/BT

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT Charles Belbin  
is disabled to the extent of (in fractions) 100% in earning  
a livelihood, owing to, (here describe the disabling condition)  
suffering from albuminuria

His (or her) occupation is clerk (office)

His (or her) average weekly earnings for the past year have been  
nil for past 24 months

His (or her) present weekly earnings are nothing

The name and address of present or last employer is  
A. H. Murray & Co. St. Johns

The disability will probably cease doubtful

Place Whitaker M.D.  
Signature of physician, surgeon, etc.

Date Apr 9/1920 Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Secretary.

WHP/BT

To Major Parsons. M.C. R.A.M.C.  
Member of Board of Pensions  
Military Building, St. Johns.

St. Philips  
March 23. 1920

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APR 5 1920 W.P.D.

Dear Sir:

I have just received a letter from the Asst. Secy G.C. Oke Esq. in which it is stated that the Board are unable to grant me any Pension for the loss of my son Corporal A. J. Bolton 1785. I confess that I am deeply disappointed with this decision for the following reasons.

My salary, at the time when I was teaching, was small and my late son contributed largely to the support of my family previous to his enlistment (July 1915)

This I think is sufficiently proven by the fact that at the time of his departure for Scotland he left his mother an allotment of 70¢ per day

As has been shown previously by a certificate forwarded by your Dept. by Doctor J. Mitchell, I am at present, and have been for the past four years,

unable to do much myself and am almost wholly dependant on a small Retiring Allowance paid me as an ex-teacher, which is now, owing to the greatly increased cost of living, altogether inadequate for my needs. It is quite true as stated that



I have yet another son (my youngest), now almost 17 years of age, who, at the time that I made my application was at least earning his diet as messenger in the G. P. O. He afterwards obtained a position as clerk with A. H. Murray & Co with a much better salary. He had only been there, however, three weeks when he was taken ill, and acting on the advice of Doctor Mitchell: who said that he was suffering from severe kidney trouble. he was compelled to resign his position, and come home. This was early in September past, and he has been with me ever since under the doctor's treatment. Although better he is still far from well and as he is quite unable to take any position he is therefore solely dependent on me. In view of these facts I think therefore that I am fully entitled to some recompense <sup>(in the way of Pension)</sup> for the loss of my late son. for at least a year or two from now or until the cost of living has been somewhat reduced or that my son Charles has so far recovered from his illness as to be enabled to work again.

The above facts can be attested to by the Rev. A. E. C. Legge Rector, Protestant Cong.; or by Doctor J. Mitchell of St. John's at any time: or, if necessary I can at once obtain a certificate from these gentlemen in support of these statements.

Hoping that the Board of Commissioners  
may deem it right to reconsider their decision,  
and to either continue the allotment for  
a while longer, or to grant to me the Pension  
to which I think, considering the circumstances,  
I am justly entitled.

I am Sir,  
Respectfully yours,  
Chas R. Bolton.

St Philips  
St John's West

Mar. 1st., 1920.

Mr. Charles R. Belbin,  
St. Phillips.

Dear Sir:-

In reference to your application for Pension because of your son deceased.

- A. Would you kindly give us a statement of the value of your houses and land owned by you.
- B. The amount of income derived from the sale of any produce.
- C. The extent of any land.

This information is necessary before the Board can consider your case.

Yours faithfully,

Secy.

WHP/GEC.

St. Philips  
March 5<sup>th</sup> 1920

Major W. H. Parsons, M. C.  
Secretary,  
Board of Pensions Comm.  
St. Johns.

Sir:-

Your letter of the 1<sup>st</sup> inst just I have read.  
In reply to the questions therein contained I may say.

That the value of houses and lands owned by me,  
at present, would (if it were possible to determine it)  
probably be about one thousand dollars.

What little land I have here is merely rough pasture  
land and not of an arable nature; I am therefore  
unable to cultivate sufficient of it to grow enough  
for my own use.

Total of land, as above, about two acres.

Respectfully yours  
Chas. R. Bolton

March 16th/20

Chas. R. Belbin,  
St. Phillips,  
St. John's W.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to your application for pension on account of 1765 Cpl. Belbin, deceased.

I beg to state that the Board has considered your claim, and it has been agreed that in view of the fact that the deceased was not the sole or main support of you or your family, it is regretted that under the War Pensions Act, a pension cannot be granted.

Yours faithfully,

Asst. Secy.

LBD.



	Date	Initials
CWID		
	4.7.19	WHD

June 21st., 1919.

No. 1765 Corpl. Herbert Belbin.

Major W. H. Parsons, M.D., M.C.,  
Secy., Board of Pensions.

Dear Major Parsons-

The above named soldier who lost his life in France, whilst fighting with the Regiment, left behind him his father and mother, and one young brother.

His father was formerly a school teacher at St. Philips, but owing to his health had to be retired a year or two ago, and is compelled to live on a small pension that is granted to him from educational sources. His son who was killed, was his main help, and he was looking forward to the time when he would be of material assistance to the upkeep of the home, but Providence ruled otherwise.

What I want your Board to consider, is when Corpl. Belbin's dependents come before you for consideration, that you will realize the fact that Mr. Belbin is seriously effected through the loss of his son, who at his time of life, and in his condition, would have been a great help, and assistance to him, in the declining years of himself and his wife.

I trust therefore that your Board will give this case that consideration that it rightly deserves.

Yours faithfully,

No. 1765 Rank Cpl. Name Herbert J. Belbin

Next of Kin Charles R. Belbin Father

ADDRESS St Phillips St. West

Allottee Sarah Belbin Mother

Date of Allotment 70 & her day

Nature of Casualty Died of Wounds

Date " " Mar 12/18

Remarks: (State if Allotment as current at the time of death.)

Allotment current at time of death.

# Pensions and Disabilities Board

It must be distinctly understood that the signing of this Form is no pledge that Pension or Grant can or will be given

## APPLICANT.

1. Name..... *Chas R. Bolton* ..... Address..... *St Philips St Johns Wood*  
 2. Relationship to Soldier or Reserveman..... *Father* ..... Religion..... *Chap. Eng.*

## DESCRIPTION OF SOLDIER OR RESERVEMAN

[Strike out the designation which does not apply]

1. Name in full..... *Asaph J. Bolton* ..... Age..... *26*  
 2. Birthplace..... *St Philips* ..... Religion..... *Chap. Eng.*  
 3. Regiment or Ship..... *Royal Newfoundland*  
 4. Date and Place of Enlistment..... *August 7. 1915*  
 5. Latest Casualty Report—Killed,  Missing,  Died of Wounds,  Died of Illness

[Strike out references above which do not apply]

6. Where Last Employed before Enlistment..... *Gen. Post Office* ..... Wages..... *600<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>*  
 7. Next of Kin..... *Father & Mother*

DEPENDENTS	NAME	AGE	WHERE—IF EMPLOYED	WAGES
	[Give names of family, Father, Mother, Brothers, Sisters, etc.]			
1	<i>Chas R. Bolton</i>	<i>57</i>		
2	<i>Sargt Bolton</i>	<i>52</i>		
3	<i>Charles Bolton</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Gen. Post Office</i>	<i>\$180<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> per year</i>
4				
5				
6				

Applicant's statement as to means, salary [if any], capacity for earning, and what proportion of Soldier's or Naval Reservist's pay was made over to the Applicant?

*Am now a retired teacher, with Pension of \$300<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>. Have no means of earning—was allotted 70¢ per day from my late husband's pay. My son Charles is now living in St John's. His salary, as stated above, is insufficient to feed & clothe him & he is therefore*

I declare that the above statement is correct. *to a considerable extent, dependent upon me.*

Witness: *A. E. Cheggy*  
 [Signature] *Charles R. Bolton*

References *Rector of Portugal Cove.* [Remarks Over]



July 5/19.

Hon. J.R. Bennett,  
Colonial Secretary,  
St. John's.

#17765 Cpl. Herbert Belbin.

Dear Mr. Bennett:-

The above mentioned man called in to see me and I explained the regulations of the Board, and stated that when his case comes before the Board of Pension Commissioners, it will get all the consideration that it deserves. He was quite satisfied with my explanation.

Yours faithfully,

Secy,

WHD/GEC



C.R. 1765  
 Army Form B. 2090A.

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 } Royal Newfoundland. Squadron, Troop, } D. Co.  
 OR CORPS }

Regimental No. 1765. Rank Corporal.

Surname Belbin. Christian Names H.

Died { Date 12-3-18. Place France or Belgium.  
 Cause of Death\* Died of Wounds received in Action.

Nature and Date of Report A 36 from 3rd. AUS. C. C. S., 12-3-18.

By whom made O. C. 3rd. AUS. C. C. S.

\* 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 Not 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 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.

G. H. Q., 3rd. Echelon.

Station and Date } 16-3-18. Signature of Officer in charge of Section } [Signature]  
 Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } Light. for

MAJOR

**Casualty Form - Active Service.**

Regiment or Corps *1<sup>st</sup> Newfoundland*  
 Rank *Lance Cpl* Surname *Pelkin* Christian Name *Herbert John*  
 Religion *Church of England* Age on Enlistment *23* years *6* months  
 Enlisted (at *178/15*) Terms of Service (*duration of year*) Service reckons from (at *date of enlistment*)  
 Date of promotion to present rank *30/8/16* Date of appointment to lance rank *13/8/16*  
 Extended  Re-engaged  Qualification (b).....  
 or Corps Trade and Rate.....  
 Occupation *Clerk* Signature of Officer *A. Kelly Capt*

Date	From whom received	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.
			Embarked <i>Shampton</i>	<i>22.7.17</i>	
			Disembarked... <i>Rover</i>	<i>24.7.17</i>	
			Joined Battalion	<i>28 AUG 1917</i>	<i>B 213.</i>
<i>10/11/17</i>	<i>of unit</i>	<i>Promoted Sergeant</i>		<i>1/11/17</i>	<i>B 213</i>
	<i>- Do -</i>	<i>Wounded in Action</i>		<i>11/3/18</i>	<i>B 213</i>
	<i>877a</i>	<i>Ad Wounds Trans</i>	<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Class CCS</i>	<i>11-3-18</i>	<i>ED 0941</i>
<i>13/3/18</i>	<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Class CCS</i>	<i>Deed of Wounds (S.W. back, Arm R) &amp; shrapnel</i>	<i>Fired</i>	<i>13/3/18</i>	<i>A 36 N/20291</i>
			<i>To his Capt</i>		
			<i>Lieut. for Major,</i>		
			<i>Officer i/c No.1</i>		
			<i>Infantry Section.</i>		



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**ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE**

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

*Royal Nfld. Regt.*

*Dept. of Militia,*

*ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.*



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SEP 14 1921

1921.

The accompanying **Victory Medal** and/or **British War Medal**  
is/are forwarded herewith to

Mr. Charles Belbin (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 1765 Rank Cpl.

Name Herbert J. Belbin

Royal Nfld. Regt.

Nfld. Forestry Coy.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received

both medals as forwarded

Signature

Chas R. Belbin

Date

Sept 18th 1921

Address

St Philips St John's West

Casualty Form—Active Service.

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Regiment or Corps 1st Newfoundland Regt Regimental Number 1765

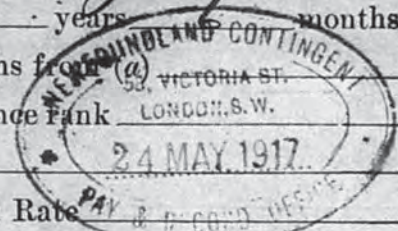
Rank PL Surname Belbin Christian Name A.O.R.

Religion b. of e. Age on Enlistment 43 years 6 months.

Enlisted (Aug 7/15) Terms of Service duration of war Service reckons from (a)

Date of promotion to present rank \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment to lance rank \_\_\_\_\_

Extended { \_\_\_\_\_ } Re-engaged { \_\_\_\_\_ } Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_  
or Corps Trade and Rate \_\_\_\_\_



Signature of Officer i/c Records.

Date	Report From whom received	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
		Embarked ...	<u>Southampton</u>	<u>24 8 16</u>	
		Disembarked...	<u>Recess</u>	<u>25 8 16</u>	
		Joined Battalion		<u>4 SEP 1916</u>	
<u>2/12/16</u>	<u>OC Unit</u>	<u>Wounded in Action</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>28/11/16</u>	<u>B 213</u>
	<u>2/2nd Gen Ad</u>	<u>Adm. G.W. &amp; Band.</u>	<u>Littlefield</u>	<u>28/11/16</u>	<u>ED 6765</u>
	<u>5 Gen Hosp.</u>	<u>Adm. D. D.</u>	<u>London</u>	<u>4/12/16</u>	<u>Sta. 4829</u>
	<u>29 ABD</u>	<u>Joined Base Dep.</u>	<u>London</u>	<u>2/1/17</u>	<u>Goodfull</u>
<u>17/2/17</u>	<u>OC Unit</u>	<u>Re-joined Battalion</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>5 FEB 1917</u>	<u>B 213</u>
<u>25.4.17</u>	<u>DO</u>	<u>Wounded in Action</u>	<u>DO</u>	<u>23 APR 1917</u>	<u>B 213</u>
<u>2.5.17</u>	<u>87 F.A.</u>	<u>Ad. 8 trans. G.W. legs.</u>	<u>H.I. G.W. L.</u>	<u>24.4.17</u>	<u>E.A. 3703</u>
<u>4.5.17</u>	<u>18th Hosp.</u>	<u>Ad. G.W. legs.</u>	<u>Darwin James</u>	<u>24.4.17</u>	<u>HA 8913</u>
	<u>"Cambray"</u>	<u>Invalided to England</u>		<u>23.4.17</u>	<u>W 3083</u>

(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 to be entered.  
(b) Signaller, Shoemaking, &c.

St. Philips  
July 16<sup>th</sup> 1920

C.R. 1765

W. F. Rendell Esq  
Lieut. Colonel  
& Chief Staff Officer  
1<sup>st</sup> Welsh Regt.

Sir:-

I beg leave herewith to  
acknowledge receipt of framed Memorial Card  
in memory of my dear son Herbert J. Bolton;  
also of memorial scroll with accompanying  
message from His Majesty: In all of which  
we are deeply grateful.

I am Sir,

Respectfully yours,  
Chas R. Bolton



