



# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 2683 Name Walter Benoit Corps .....

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

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|--|--|
| 1. What is your name? .....  | 1. <u>Walter Benoit</u>                        |
| 2. What is your full Address? .....  | 2. <u>St. Ann's, St. George Bay St. George</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? .....  | 3. <u>Yes</u>                                  |
| 4. What is your age? .....   | 4. <u>20</u> years <u>4</u> Months             |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? .....  | 5. <u>Labourer</u>                             |
| 6. Are you Married? .....  | 6. <u>No</u>                                   |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? .....                             | 7. <u>No</u>                                   |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? .....  | 8. <u>Yes</u>                                  |
| 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? .....   | 9. <u>Yes</u>                                  |
| 10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you?....                                       | 10. { Name <u>.....</u><br>Corps <u>.....</u>  |
| 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. <u>Yes</u>                                 |

FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR

I, Walter Benoit 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.

Walter Benoit SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
E. May 1st. E. May 1st. Signature of Witness.

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

I, Walter Benoit do make oath, that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown and Dignity against all enemies, according to the conditions of my service.

### CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence. I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at St. John's on this 2nd of May 1916  
 Signature of 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, 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).....



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# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 2683 Name Walter Benoit Corps

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- 2. What is your full Address? ..... { St. John's, St. George
- 3. Are you a British Subject? ..... 3. Yes
- 4. What is your age? ..... 4. 21 Years 4 Months
- 5. What is your Trade or Calling? ..... 5. No
- 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
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Corps .....
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E May 1st.

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Signature of Attesting Officer H. D. M. Bridge  
2nd Lieut.

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# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT

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

Name Walter Bennett  
 Apparent age 21 years 4 months. Height 5 feet 7 1/2 inches  
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 38 1/2 inches  
 Range of expansion 2 1/2 inches  
 Distinctive marks \_\_\_\_\_

## INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin John Bennett  
Stephenville Arkansas | Relationship Father  
 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	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>7-5-16</u>									
Joined at <u>St Johns</u> on <u>May 1<sup>st</sup> 16</u>									
		<u>Missing</u>							
		<u>Embarked St Johns St. Lucia for 1st 19 16</u>							<u>Embarked for B.S. 11 16</u>
		<u>joined 15 Station 22 10-16.</u>							<u>Admitted 14 C.R.S. Embarked 13 12-16</u>
		<u>Discharged to duty 18 12-16.</u>							
		<u>Missing</u>		<u>14-4-17</u>					
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Total Service towards Engagement to 14-4-17 (date of discharge) \_\_\_\_\_ years 3 4/9 days  
 Pension \_\_\_\_\_



This Form is to be used in connection with Pamph. M. E. (1)  
N. F. 1915

In the spaces below should be entered the findings in the routine of examination set forth in the Appendix. Care should be exercised that each finding be entered after the number below which corresponds to the number of that test.

Examination of

*Walter Benoit*

aged

conducted at

*Let B*

Date:

*May 11/16*

Recruiting Officer:

NO OF TEST

FINDING

- 1 *no*
- 2 *no*
- 3 *no*
- 4 *no*
- 5 *no*
- 6 *no*
- 7 *yes*
- 8 *yes*
- 9 *no*
- 10 *n*
- 11 *n*
- 12 *n*
- 13 *n*
- 14 *n*
- 15 *n*
- 16 *n*
- 17 *n*
- 18 *n*
- 19 *of both*
- 20 *16*
- 21 *n*
- 22 *n*
- 23 *n*
- 24 *n*
- 25 *n*
- 26 *n*
- 27 *n*
- 28 *n*
- 29 *n*
- 30 *n*
- 31 *n*
- 32 *n*

*2683*

*no*  
*5-7 1/2*  
*14 1/2 lbs*  
*50 38 1/2*  
*\$ 1000*

parents *John Benoit Stephenville Crossing*

Signature of Medical Examiner: *William Roberts*

*70*

St. George's

Examination of Walter Benoit Age 21  
conducted at St. George's 28<sup>th</sup> April 1916

Richard Macdonald  
S.M.

Actg Recruiting Officer

Result  
Approved

No of let

1. No

2. No

3. No

4. No

5. No

6. No

7. Yes

8. Yes

9. No

10. No colour blindness

11. 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Regt

12. Well able to march

13. ~~Two~~ defective. Red sores

14. Throat all right

15. Ears all right

16, 17, 18 Heart, chest and lungs all right

19 R.D. 50. L.D. 50

20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25. Limbs and joints all right.

26. Feet all right

27. No anal trouble

28. Hearing good

29, 30, 31, 32. No physical weakness

33. No

34. 5 ft 8 $\frac{1}{2}$

35. 148 lb

36. Men 36. Exp 2-

37. \$400<sup>00</sup>

38. John Benoit Stephenville Crossing

39. No

D. J. Bethune M.D.



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Extract from Nominal Roll of Nfld, Regt. Draft No. 12, From  
2nd Bn. Depot, to 1st Bn. B.E.F. Embarked Spanish Southampton,  
11-10-16.

2683 Pte. W. Benoit.

PERSONAL EFFECTS

Received from Militia Department

One Kit Bag of the late #2683 Pte. Walter Benoit.

Signed.....*John <sup>his</sup> Benoit*.....  
*mark*

Witness *J. McKay*

Date.....*July 15/18*.....



C.R. 2683

July 12, 1918

Mr. John Benoit,  
Stephenville Crossing.

Dear Mr. Benoit:-

I am writing to inform you that it is my regrettable duty to forward to you by "Express" one Kit Bag, which belonged to your son the late #2683 Pte. Walter Benoit of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

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

I am enclosing herewith, receipt, will you kindly sign same and return at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

*W.V.W.*

Lieut.

for Lieut. Col. C.S.O.

Enc'l 1.

No. of Paper 1216**PERSONAL EFFECTS.**Name BeardNo. 2683Rank Pl

Regiment

THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.

Article

Where stored

Notified by

Kn Bag.

Final disposal

Shipped from Depot.

Remarks :-

Presumed Dead  
Next of Kin: Mother  
John Beard.  
Stephenville Crossing.

Dec. 7th, 1917.

Deputy Colonial Secretary,

C I T Y.


Sir:-

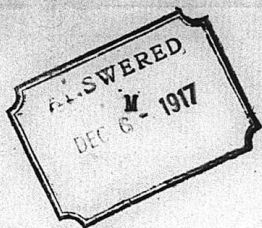
I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Dec; 4th, enclosing letter from Rev. P.F. Adams, P.F. of Stephenville, in reference to the estate of the late No. 2623, late Matthew Benoit. A letter will be forwarded to Father Adams with the information required.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

  
Minister of Militia.



December 4, 1917.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith letter under date 27th ultimo from Rev. P.F. Adams, P.P., of Stephenville, in which he has reference to the estate of the late No. 2683, Private Walter Benoit, who was killed in action on April 14th last. Kindly furnish Father Adams with any information in this connection which he desires.

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

Deputy Colonial Secretary.

Hon. J. R. Bennett,  
 Minister of Militia.

C.R. 2683

Extract of Communiation received from Pay & Record  
Office, London dated October 15th, 1917.

#2683 Pte. W. Benoit.

Posted as "Missing" 14/4/17 and presumed Dead for  
official purposes 17/11/17.



C.R! 2683

Extract of Cablegram received from Pay & Record Office,  
London dated May 13, 1917.

#2683 Pte. W. Benoit, D.Co.,

Reported Missing April 14th.

C.R. 2683

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's for Overseas,  
per S.S. "SICILIAN" July 19, 1916.

2683 Pte. Benoit W.



C.R. 2683

Walter Benoit

was attested for General

Service with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT ON May 1st 1916

Regimental No. 2683 was allotted to Ptes W. Benoit

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia.

March 25th 1919

W Genoit

C.R. 2683

~~1190~~

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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname: Benoit Christian Name: Walter

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

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

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on 1 day of <u>May</u> 191 <u>4</u>	at <u>St. Johns.</u>	on _____ day of _____ 191	at _____
Declared Age	21 years 4 days		years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Labour</u>			
Height	5 feet 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches		feet _____ inches	
Weight	147 lbs.		lbs. _____	
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded	35 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches		inches _____
	Range of expansion	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches		inches _____
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated				
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 Petersen</u>			
(Rank)				
Enlisted	at <u>St. Johns</u>		at _____	
	on 1 day of <u>May</u> 191 <u>4</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.		Corps.	
	Regtl. No.	<u>1st Nfld Reg. 2683</u>	Regtl. No.	
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by	on _____ day of _____ 191		on _____ day of _____ 191	
(Signature)				
(Rank)				







**PAY LIST.**

to

**191 . Voucher No.**

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps *Newfoundland*  
 No. *7683* Rank *Private* Name *Bensit W*  
 Died (*intestate*) at *France* on the *14* of *April* 191*7*.  
 Deserted at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 191*7*.

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>14/4/17</i> .....	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>10 1/2</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 .....			
	Consolidated stoppage .....				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest. (if no balance; to be so stated)			
					Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>10 1/2</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£				£		
		<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>10 1/2</i>		<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>10 1/2</i>

*C. D.*  
*18/4/18*

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular; and that the debtor balance of £ \_\_\_\_\_ is correctly chargeable against the Public<sup>(b)</sup>.

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

(a) Here state whether the soldier died intestate, or whether he left a Will. In the latter case the Will should be annexed hereto, if not already sent to War Office with Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.  
 (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

Benoit, W.

2683

Ray Dept  
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ORIGINAL

Army Form O. 1625

PAY LIST

to

191 Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

No. 2683

Rank Private

Name Benoit W.

Died (a) Intestate at France

on the 14 of April

1917

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	15	16	10 1/2
	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			
	"							
	Consolidated stoppage							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	15	16	10 1/2	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	15	16	10 1/2			

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to 22/4/18 and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.

CHECKED. 22/4/18

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the head NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT



Chief Paymaster & Officer in Charge of Records

(a) Here state whether the soldier is intestate, or whether he left a Will. In the latter case the Will should be annexed to this hereto, if not already sent to the Officer in Charge of the Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815. (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

ORIGINAL.

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps *NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.*

No. *2683*

Rank *Private*

Name *Benoit W.*

Died (a) *intestate* at *France*

on the *14* of *April* 191*7*.

Deserted at

on the of 191*1*.

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>14 4/17</i> .....	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>10 1/2</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 .....			
	Consolidated stoppage .....							
	Balance due by the Paymaster <i>15 16 10 1/2</i>				Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>		£	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>
								<i>10 1/2</i>

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to 22/4/18 and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.

CHECKED.

*22/4/18*

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the Debtor

Debtor balance of

Dated at

this day of



*P.O. Newell Maj.*  
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 by Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.
- (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

# DUPLICATE MAIL COPY

Army Form O. 1625.

**PAY LIST.**

191 . Voucher No.

## POSTED EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps 1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

No. 2683 Rank Private Name Benoit W.

Died Intestate at Finance on the 14 of April 1917.

Deserted at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 1917.

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 <u>14/4/17</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10/2</u>
	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 .....			
	Consolidated stoppage .....					This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to <u>22/4/18</u> and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.			
	Balance due by the Paymaster					Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£					<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10/2</u>

CHECKED.  
22/4/18

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the ~~debit~~ balance of £ \_\_\_\_\_ is ~~due to the~~ NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1917



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

# DUPLICATE MAIL COPY

Army Form O. 1025.

**PAY LIST.**

191 1 Voucher No.

## NON-DEBIT EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps 1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

No. 2683 Rank Private Name Benoit, W.

Died Intestate at France on the 14 of April 1917.

Deserted at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 1911.

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 .....	14	4	17
	Cash issues				Pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			15
	(Date of each issue to be stated)				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay			16
		£	s.	d.	days at _____ from _____ to _____			10
	191				Messing allowance _____ days at _____			
	"				from _____ to _____			
	"				Kit allowance .....			
	Consolidated stoppage .....				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from			
					Form 2 .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster .....	15	16	10				
		£	15	16	10			
	Balance due to the Paymaster .....					15	16	10

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to 22/4/18 and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.

CHECKED  
22/4/18

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the balance of £ \_\_\_\_\_



NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

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

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature) CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE

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

Stephenswell  
Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> 1817

Mr. R. A. Lynier

Hon. Sir Mr. John  
Benoit of Stephenswell Crossing came  
to me with a letter from you acquainting  
him of the death of his son Walter at the  
front on the 14<sup>th</sup> of April last. He wishes me  
ask you Hon. Sir if there is any book  
coming to him from His Son. if so please  
acquaint us of same.

Yours  
(Rev) P. D. Adams S. P.

December, 14th. 1917.

Rev. P.F. Adams, P.P.  
Stephenville.

Reverend Sir,-

With reference to your letter of November, 27th., to Hon. R.A. Squires, I beg to state, that final account of the late Pte. Walter Bennett, has not yet been received from the Pay & Record Office, London.

The Paymaster has informed us, that it takes at least six months, to have a man's account finalized, after his death, as there are so many sources from which to gather the necessary information, required to complete his account.

I expect to have the accounts of those men who died in April last, very shortly, and just as soon as <sup>they</sup> are received <sup>they</sup> will be passed over to the Minister of Justice, for Administration purposes. Immediately upon receipt from him of Papers of Administration, disbursement of balance due the estates, will be made.

Yours faithfully,

Capt. & Paymaster.

6017

Stephenville  
Crossing  
Aug. 4/19

Capt. M. J. Howley

Dear sir

yours of the 25<sup>th</sup> July to hand and  
note what you say regarding my  
getting seperation allowance for my son  
Walter I am not able to work as  
you can see by the Doctors letter and  
walter was my only surport for years  
and as he is killed I dont see why  
I shouldnt get seperation allowance  
as well as some around here that  
dont need it but get it all the  
same you can write Doctor Beathune  
of St Georges and he will tell you  
that I am not able to work to  
surport my family hoping to hear  
from you by return mail and let  
me know what is wrong and  
you will greatly oblige me  
as I am very poor off

I remain yours Truly

John Benoit

my sons number is 2683



6377

Stephenville.  
Crossing  
Aug. 30/19

Mr. A. E. Hickman

Dear sir

as my son Walter inherited  
and went over seas and got  
killed and as he was the only  
help I had and I am a cripple  
man I think I should get  
sepration allowance as some  
here got it and did not need  
it as bad as I do I was promised  
it and the doctor sent in for  
me but it seems I aint to  
get it so I find it very  
hard if my son came back  
I would not mind as he  
could still help me Plasse  
do your best and try to  
get it for me as I am in  
great need now Walter's number  
is 2683 hoping to hear from you



soon I remain yours Truly

John Benoit  
Stephenville Crossing  
Bay St George

5821

Stephenville Crossing  
July 18<sup>th</sup> / 79

Dept of Militia  
Capt Cas Burch

Dear Sir:-

I have not yet heard  
from you re. operation allowance from  
my son Walter Benoit Co. 2683. as  
per forms filed & signed in May,  
kindly give the matter your attention  
& write me re. same.

Yours Truly,

John Benoit  
Stephenville Crossing

HAY

BOND

5503

Stephenville  
Crossing  
June 12/19

Capt Jm Howley  
Dear sir

I am writing you again to see if there is any more money coming to me I got all the papers you sent me filled out by the Doctor and sent you but heard nothing yet Please let me know by return mail if I am entitled to the separation allowance or not as I would like to get it very much I cant do any work this summer as I am very much crippled esp my poor boy was my main stay but now he is gone it is going to be a hard fight - for me  
I remain yours truly

John Benoit  
Father of Walter Benoit no 2683

SEPARATION ALLOWANCE.

Claimant. *Benoit, John (father)*  
On account of *Walter Benoit* No. *2683* Rank *Pte*

Decision. *Refused.*  
*not incapacitated.*

Date. *28/5/19*  
*W. J. Rudell Lieut. Col.*  
*M. Dowley Capt.*

Instructions.....  
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Allotment of *50<sup>00</sup>* per day payable to *John Benoit*  
his *Father* from *10/8/16* to *10/11/16* current  
Discontinued on account of

*L. J. G. T.*

ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT  
(Separation Allowance Branch)

**NOTICE:**

THIS STATUTORY DECLARATION is to be filled in correctly in every detail, and a complete reply must be given to each question.

Each statement is considered as being made on Oath, and the form is to be signed before a Barrister of the Supreme Court, Stipendiary Magistrate, Notary Public or Justice of the Peace, and returned to:

THE PAYMASTER,  
Separation Allowance Branch,  
St. John's, Nfld.

- | 1. | Name in full of soldier.   | Rank.  | Reg't. or Unit.   | Reg't. No.            |
|----|--|--|---|-----------------------|
|    | Walter Benoit  | Pte.   | 1 <sup>st</sup> Royal Nfld Regt.  | 2683                  |
| 2. | Age of soldier.  | Married or single.   |   |                       |
|    | 22 years   | Single   |   |                       |
| 3. | Name in full of father of soldier.   | Age.   | Occupation.   | Permanent address     |
|    | John Benoit  | 55   | Day laborer   | Stephenville Crossing |
| 4. | If you are a chronic invalid and totally incapacitated, state nature of malady (Medical certificate must be enclosed with this document stating from what date applicant has been totally incapacitated, and for how long incapacity is likely to continue.) |  | Bippled with Rheumatism from a fall which hurt the small of the back & hips. Pain takes in the back & hips so that I cannot work any more hours at a time |                       |
| 5. | Names of your other children.  | Address in full.   | Occupation.   | Married or single.    |
|    | Peter Benoit   | Lynsey C.B.  | Miner   | Married               |
|    | Lawrence "   | Halifax, N.S.  | Deck hand   | Married               |
|    | Maude "  | Imbo N.S.  | S.S. Miner  | Married               |
|    | Stephen " Kelley   | St. Georges Nfld   | Seaman  | Single                |
|    | Olive "  | Stephenville Nfld  | School girl   | "                     |
|    | Jane "   | "  | "   | "                     |
|    | Miss "   | "  | School boy  | "                     |
| 6. | State amount earned by yourself per month.   | Can not earn steady wages although I were able, as my wife and eldest child (at home) are sick |   |                       |
| 7. | State date and place of death of your wife.  | 1 <sup>st</sup> wife died - 1898 at Stephenville Crossing<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> wife sick.        |   |                       |
| 8. | State amount and source of any other income  | \$15 <sup>00</sup> allotment money, some months 15 <sup>00</sup> "                             |   |                       |
| 9. | What is the value of your real property.   | \$60 <sup>00</sup>   |   |                       |

2.  
30. State actual amount contributed by soldier during year prior to enlistment.

\$400<sup>00</sup> Sometimes more

11. Was this amount contributed weekly or monthly.

Monthly

12. State your son's trade or occupation prior to enlistment

By section man, Lumbering & trapping whatever

13. State your son's trade or occupation prior to enlistment.

would bring in the most money

14. State amount of his wages per week.

About \$10<sup>00</sup> Sometimes as high as \$20<sup>00</sup>

15. State name and address of his last employer.

Jacob Bishop  
Stephenville Crossing  
Mo

16. State amount of support monthly from son since enlistment.

\$15<sup>00</sup> per month sometimes \$15<sup>50</sup>

17. State amount of "assigned pay" received by you from son monthly.

Stated above questions  
16-

18. From what date have you received "Assigned Pay"

August 1916

19. Actual amount contributed by other children.

Weekly.

monthly.

None

20. If not receiving support from other children, state cause. Answer fully.

The older children are married - The younger one are too young to help - one sick.

21. Are any of these children in your employ.

No

22. Have you made a previous claim for Separation Allowance? If not, Give Particulars.

No

23. What is the value of your personal property.

House \$2052 Cars \$600 Perf \$20<sup>00</sup>

24. With whom do you reside at present.

At home with wife and children

25. Are you already in receipt of Separation Allowance from any source, if so, how much. *No*

26. Are you in receipt of assistance from any Patriotic Fund, if so, how much. *No*

27. Was the soldier at the time of enlistment an employee of the Rfid. Government. *No*

28. In what capacity and in what place. \_\_\_\_\_

29. Is he in receipt of a salary as such while serving in the Royal Rfid. Regt. If so, how much? *No he is dead*

I herewith make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and knowing it to be of the same force and effect as if made under Oath, and in virtue of the Evidence Act.

Signature of Applicant..... *John F. Benoit* .....

Place of residence..... *Stephenville Crossing* .....

Declared and subscribed before me at..... *St. George's Rfid* .....

this..... *twelfth* ..... day of..... *May* ..... 19..... *19* .....

Signature of Barrister of the Supreme Court, Stipendiary Magistrate, Notary Public or Justice of the Peace. } *D. J. Bethune Esq* .....  
*Comms of Affidants*

This application must be signed by two responsible parties, one of whom must be a clergyman, the other a representative of your local Patriotic Fund Committee, certifying to the best of their knowledge after careful ~~conscientious~~ investigation, the above statements are correct, and the soldier first mentioned above is the sole support of the applicant.

Signature of Clergyman.....

Signature of member of Patriotic Fund Committee..... *D. J. Bethune Esq* .....

D. J. BETHUNE, M.D.,  
P. O. BOX 44  
ST. GEORGE'S, Nfld.

*This is to certify that the applicant John Benoit of Stephenville Crossing is suffering from Rheumatism by which he is unable to do a reasonable day's work*  
*12-4-19*  
*D. J. Bethune Esq*  
*St. George's Rfid*

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

For Information of Separation Allowance Department.

- |    |  |  |
|----|--|--|
| 1. | Name and regimental number of soldier in respect of whom Separation Allowance is claimed)                      | } <i>Waller Benoit, 2683</i>   |
| 2. | Name and age of said soldier's )<br>father <del>or other relative</del> .                                      | } <i>John Benoit - 55.<br/>56 on the 21<sup>st</sup> July 1919</i>                               |
| 3. | Is said father <del>or other relative</del> a chronic) invalid and totally incapacitated.                      | } <i>Father chronic invalid to a certain extent<br/>Wife work. Daughter tutored</i>              |
| 4. | Of what nature is disability ?   | } <i>Rheumatism in back<br/>&amp; hips</i>   |
| 5. | From what date has this <del>total</del> incapacity been existent ?  | } <i>Jan'y 1918</i>  |
| 6. | How long is <del>total</del> incapacity likely to continue and what will be the effect on earning power.)      | } <i>Chronic, and will continue; Earning power 1/3 of what he used to earn when able to work</i> |
| 7. | If not totally incapacitated by what per cent in your opinion is capacity for work reduced and from what date. | } <i>66% —<br/>Jan'y 1918</i>  |
| 8. | Are you the regular attending physician ?  | } <i>Yes</i>   |
| 9. | Relationship to soldier of applicant ?   | } <i>None but related to me in army papers<br/>John Benoit is his father.</i>                    |

I certify that the above statements are correct.

.....*St. Georges*.....Place,

.....*17<sup>th</sup> May 1919*.....Date.

.....*D. J. Bethune M.D.*.....  
Physician.

*May 13<sup>th</sup> 1919*  
I also certify the above is correct.  
(Rev) *P. L. Adams P.A.*  
*Stgherwell*  
*RFD*



July 25, 1919

Mr. John Benoit,  
Stephenville Crossing.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your application for separation allowance,  
I have been directed to inform you that same cannot be granted,  
because it is not clearly established that you are dependent  
upon your son Walter.

Yours truly,

Captain & Paymaster.

THE BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS FOR Nfld.

Nov. 22, 1919

The Paymaster & Officer i/c Records  
St. John's Nfld.

Sir:-

No. 2683

Rank

Name

W. Benoit

I have the honour by direction, to advise you that the claim for pension on account of the Marginally noted has been considered by the Board, and it has been ordered that if there is an allotment, Separation allowance, or Patriotic Fund allowance, being paid on his account, that it should be cancelled from Nov 1st 1919

Kindly govern yourself accordingly, and advise me of the amount paid by your Dept., on this account.

I have the honour to be.,

Your obedient servant,

C. C. Cooke  
Asst. Secretary.

D.F.C. Form 11.

Discontinued

31/10/19

John Benoit  
Stephenville King

Alotment  
current  $\frac{1}{2}$  to date  
1895

Stephenville King  
Apr 6<sup>th</sup> 18

Lieut J. M. Dowley  
Dear Sir,

Have you received  
pension form sent  
you some time ago.

Please rush reply  
re my sons money  
Plt No 2683 (W Benoit

Oblige greatly.

John Benoit

Form received & filed away

P. B. Board.

Account not received from London

2199  
No. 2199

Stephenville crossing  
the 1918

Mr H. B. Maddick

Dear Sir

Your letter of  
the 16th of July came duly to  
hand and contents noted and  
in reply I wish to say that  
the allotment cheque you posted  
for me on the 7th of July never  
reached me and you would be  
stowing me a great favour  
if you would look it up  
My late sons number was  
No 2683 Trusting you will  
give this matter your earliest  
consideration

I Remain

Yours Respectively  
John Benoit

Aug.13

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Mr. John Benoit,  
Stephenville Crossing.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of Aug.10th. regarding the non-receipt of allotment cheque posted to you on the 7th. of July, I beg to inform you that the cheque referred to has been cashed at the Bank and endorsed as follows: "John Benoit"<sup>his</sup><sub>mark</sub> Witness, Chas. H. M. McPatridge, drawn according to your letter. This cheque has been cashed by some unauthorised person.

Will you kindly make sure that the missing cheque is the one referred to above, which was the one posted from this office on July 7th. in payment for the month of June. If such is the case, kindly let me know, so that I may have police enquiries made.

Yours truly,

Lieut.  
For Paymaster

Stephenville Texas  
August 16<sup>th</sup> / 18

J. M. Mellick  
Deft. Trustee  
St. Johns

2279 3594 Matthews  
2183 Waster

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter  
re, cheque & note you say that  
the cheque has been cashed at the  
Bank & witnessed by C. S. McFadden  
The only cheque for month of June  
which I recd. in July, witnessed  
by C. S. McFadden was the cheque for amount  
of \$15.50 or \$15.00, the cheque for amount  
of \$18.60 was not recd, & Mr. Mc  
Fadden informs me that he cannot  
remember witnessing either cheque for  
amount of \$18.60 for J. Genoit (Payee)  
Please let me have the cheque by  
mail of amount of \$18.60 witnessed by  
C. S. McFadden & after seeing same  
will return, for month of May I  
recd. two cheques also for month of  
July, amounts \$15.50 & \$18.60, - the latter  
as a pension. Kindly answer at  
once

Yours Truly  
J. Genoit

H. McFartridge &amp; Son

GENERAL DEALERS

Stephenville Crossing - - - Nhd.

2280

Aug 17th 1918

H. M. Madrick,  
 Dr. Permat. <sup>Rec'd</sup>  
 H. P. H's

Dear Sir:-

J. Gruit informs the writer <sup>Ernest King</sup> that his cheque which he claims not receiving has been cashed at the bank witnessed by me he also showed me a check rec'd. for you in reference to the cheque which you claim has been cashed by some unauthorized ~~person~~,  
 The only cheque, <sup>that I can remember being</sup> cashed here & witnessed by me was the cheque for amount of \$15.00 or 15.00 but he claims losing or having gone astray "at any rate he did not receive it." was a cheque for amount of \$18.60 as he month before he receives two \$15.00 & \$18.00 for month of May; for month of June rec'd. one \$15.00 or \$18.00 Can you inform me if the cheque of \$18.60 you refer to is the \$18.60 cheque & for month of June, <sup>business</sup> rec'd. <sup>at the 1st</sup> just a part of following month the cheques rec'd. here at his store are usually witnessed by me when the party they are drawn on cannot endorse cheques done

but as a rule I am very careful &  
make sure I know the party before  
withdrawing his cheque. kindly let me  
hear from you at an early date  
with reference to the cheque.

Yours

C. H. McFadden

P.S.  
Kindly give date  
& amount of cheque  
you refer to in I find  
letter  
C. H. McF.



Aug. 19th, 1918.

Mr. John Benoit,  
STEPHENVILLE CROSSING,

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of Aug. 16th, will you kindly inform me if you have two sons in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment who make you an allotment, as I was only figuring on you having one son, namely, No. 2683, Pte. Walter Benoit who allots you 50¢ per day on whose account the cheque I referred to in my previous letter was cashed at the Bank. Therefore will you let me know at your earliest convenience the name and number of the boy on whose account you have been receiving \$18.00 or \$18.60 per month.

Awaiting an early reply.

Yours truly,

Lieut.  
For Paymaster

Deppawille Crossing  
Aug. 27 20/18

To Mr. Matthews

W. M. Mallard

2354

Lieut. Gen.  
Paymaster John

Darwin.

I am in receipt of  
your letter re. Cheque & Co. I  
had only one son in the R. Regiment  
who is missing & on his account  
I am receiving the arrears  
of 50 & per. day. also received a  
cheque for \$18.60 in June, & August  
on his account. He  
did not receive one in July  
for \$18.60 only \$15.00, it is the  
\$18.60 cheque that I am trying  
to get, if same was issued  
it must have gone astray  
or mislaid somewhere. Kindly  
let me know if two cheques  
were sent out in July. for amounts  
of \$15.00 & \$18.60  
Yours truly  
John Benoit

August 26th. 1918.

*Benoit*  
John Burt, Esq.,  
STEPHENVILLE CROSSING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of August 22nd. I beg to inform you that the two cheques which you received for \$18.00 each, in June and August were not intended for you, they were intended for John <sup>*Benoit*</sup> Burt of Stephenville, and apparently have got into your possession in error.

I would respectfully request that you return those cheques, if you have not already cashed them, and if you have cashed them, will you kindly forward on the amount, which is \$37.20.

It is not understood why you should think that these cheques were for you, when the amount of the cheques, which you are accustomed to receiving, are \$15.00 or \$15.50, according to the number of days in the month.

Yours truly,

Lieut.  
For Surgeon

Oct. 7th. 1918.

Mr. John Benoit (Father of Walter)  
STEPHENVILLE.

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly return the cheque  
in your possession for \$18.60 which does not  
belong to you.

It is very unsatisfactory that  
these errors should occur, but it is attributed to  
the fact that there are two John Benois at  
Stephenville. I am, however, addressing all letters  
to you in future as per above.

Will you endeavour to refund the  
amount of the two cheques which you received  
early in this year, which does not belong to you,  
or shall your own allotment be stopped until the  
amount is refunded.

Yours truly,

Lieut.  
For Paymaster

Springville crossing  
Aug 30 1918

2433

Mr J. M. Maddick

Dear Sir

With reference

to your letter of August 22<sup>nd</sup> I wish to say that I thought the money was mine & I cashed the cheques and at present I have no money to refund. If there is any money in Bank due to the late Walter Bennett my son you can take the money out of it and send me the balance. This is the best I can do at present.

Yours Respectively  
John Bennett

Stephenville  
Crossing  
April 28/19

~~1026~~  
4827

~~1026~~

Capt. J. M. Howley.

Dear sir

Please let me know if I can get the war service gratuity for my son Walter Benoit no 2683 as he was my only help and I am a cripple man I am hardly able to do anything now and I have a large family of girls and they are not old enough to go out to service and I think I should get the gratuity money for him now he is killed as well as if he came back and got it himself if he came back I would not need it as I would still have his help Please send me the papers to get filled out if there is any chance for me to get it by so doing you will greatly Oblige  
Yours Truly

John Benoit  
Stephenville Crossing  
Mfld

Send down for you  
P.O. for Benoit for  
war gratuity money

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.



OFFICER i/c RECORDS,

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA,

ST., JOHN'S, Nfld.

2683

540094

To ensure that as far as may be possible none of the next of kin of those who have fallen in the War shall fail to receive the Memorial Plaque, it is requested that on receipt of the enclosed Plaque this card be signed at the bottom and posted. No stamp is required.

John Benoit



**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

Regimental Number **C.R. 2683**

Regiment or Corps **24 Newfoundland Regt**  
 Rank **Pte.** Surname **Bennett** Christian Name **Walter**  
 Religion **R. C.** Age on Enlistment **21** years **4** months.  
 Enlisted (a) **1/5/16** Terms of Service (a) **War** Service reckons from **1/5/16**  
 Date of promotion to present rank \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment to lance \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extended { \_\_\_\_\_ } Re-engaged { \_\_\_\_\_ } Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_  
 or Corps Trade and Rate \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Officer in Charge \_\_\_\_\_



Report		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
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked	Southampton	11 OCT 1916	
		Disembarked	ROUEN	12 OCT 1916	
		Joined Battalion		22 OCT 1916	
	14 C.S.	Adm Entitled	France.	13/12/16	EO 7754
	14 C.S.	Discharged to Duty	ditto	18/12/16	EO 860
15 APR 1917	OC. Dn.	MISSING	France	14 APR 1917	B = 13.

*[Handwritten signature]*

*[Handwritten signature]*  
 Major

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.  
 (b) Signaller, Shoeing-Smith, &c.

# Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

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Forms  
B. 121.  
82.

Regiment of

*1<sup>st</sup> Leinster Land.*

Number of Sheet

*First*

Signature of O. C. Company

*C. R. O'Connell Capt. R.O.C.*

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay	
No.	<i>Benoit W.</i>	Age on	<i>21</i> years <i>11</i> months	<i>Labourer</i>		
Joined		Date	Place and Date of Enlistment	Religion		
Joined		Date	Period of	<i>St. John's</i> <i>May 4 '16</i>		<i>Roman Catholic</i>
Joined		Date				
Joined		Date	<i>with Reserve</i> <i>2</i> <i>years</i>	<i>Leinster Land</i>		

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
<i>P. John's</i>	<i>July 6 '16</i>	<i>Pte</i>	<i>1.</i>	<i>Reported back Drunk up.</i>	<i>Sgt. Hanson</i>	<i>3 days C.B.</i>		<i>A. Montgomery, Major</i>	<i>200</i>
<i>Apr.</i>	<i>" 29 "</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>2.</i>	<i>Drunk in Camp all causing disturbance</i>	<i>" W. Martin</i>	<i>72 hrs Detention</i>		<i>W. Rendell, Major</i>	<i>Approved of a 200 pay in Jan 5. 16 R.S. 200</i>
				<i>Missing 14 days</i>					

To be carried over

C. R.

2683

April 23rd, 1920

Mr. John Benoit,  
Stephenville Crossing,

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 17th relative to Separation Allowance on account of your late son, No. 2683 Private Walter Benoit.

I have made enquiries concerning your case and have learned that a claim was filed by you in this Dept. in May last year for Separation Allowance on account of the above soldier, but upon consideration the allowance could not be allowed as your claim did not state you were totally incapacitated and were dependant on your son. The Paymaster advises that you were duly notified of the decision regarding your claim.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

Stephenville <sup>Crossing</sup>  
March 7 1920

C.R. 2683

Department of Militia

Dear Sirs

As I consider  
I was entitled to separation  
allowance on acct of my  
son paying the supreme sacrifice  
in the great war I am writing  
to inform you that I did not  
receive any separation allowance  
my late son was W Bennett 2683  
as I am very much in need  
I would like for you to  
look in to the matter by doing  
so you will

Oblige  
Yours Respectively  
John Bennett