

C.R. 0-231

CAPTAIN A. CLAYTON, C.F.

Received Commission in Army Chaplains Dept. and Appointed 26th Div. 1 B.D. Etaples	11/4/16
Transferred to 23rd General Hospital - Etaples	1/5/16
Served with American, Canadian, & Australian Medical Units Attached 1st Bn. Royal Nfld. Regiment	Oct/16 - Mar/17
Through Gas Attack at Comblès Invalided to Wandsworth Genl. Hospital	May/17
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Appointed Honorary Chaplain to the Forces - 4th Class	Oct. 1918

*File*

Clayton, A Cap

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# DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

Feb 25<sup>th</sup> / 19

To Capt Howley  
Regimental Paymaster

Dear Sir

I beg to certify that Pte John Humby  
married May McCreath under the name of  
John Ford.

This is due to his carelessness in retaining  
or changing his proper name for that of  
his foster mother's - Mrs Humby.

I am  
Yours truly  
A Clayton











NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Statement of Account of

From 12/12/16

Ledger Folio No.

Attached Newfoundland Regiment 12/12/17 - 19/3/17.

DUPLICATE MAIL COPY  
 Capt. Clayton  
 to Post 19/3/17

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
 58, VICTORIA ST.  
 LONDON, S.W.  
 PAY & RECORD OFFICE  
 (both days inclusive)

Date	Particulars	No. of Days	Rate per Day	Amount		Dr.			Cr.				
				\$	c.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
	<b>Cr.</b>												
	Balance from last a/c												
	Pay												
	Field Allowance												
	Mess "	98	4/-							19	12	0	
	@ \$ 4.86 $\frac{2}{3}$ ...			\$									
	<b>Dr.</b>												
	Balance from last a/c												
	Deposit BANK OF MONTREAL, WATERLOO PLACE, LONDON, S.W.												
	<p style="margin: 0;">This account is <sup>checked</sup> in accordance with information received at the Pay &amp; Record Office to 18/10/17 and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.</p>												
	Totals				£						19	12	0
	Debit Balance												
	Credit "									19	12	0	
	Checked by <i>W.S.H.</i>									19	12	0	19 12 0

PAY & RECORD OFFICE,  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
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Capt Clayton C.F.  
Simp.

December 30th

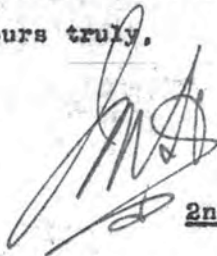
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Mrs. F. B. Clayton,  
Forest Road,  
City.

Dear Madam,-

I enclose herewith Cheque for \$50.00 account  
of transportation. Kindly sign the attached voucher in the  
space provided for same, and return.

Yours truly,



2nd/Lt. & Deputy Paymaster.



SEPARATION ALLOWANCE.

Claimant *Mrs. Frances E. Clayton*

On Account of *(Rev) A. C. Clayton* No. — Rank *Capt.*

Decision. *Approved.*

*W. J. Rendell Lieut. Col.*  
*M. Bowley Major*

Date *June 16/1922*

Instructions.....

*from 11/4/16*  
*to 30/4/16*



ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT  
(Separation Allowance Branch)  
(Information for Board of Review)

W I F E

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 Regt. Unit. Regt. No.  
*Arthur C Clayton Capt R. A. Ch. D.*
2. Age of soldier *36 years.* Married ~~or single~~
3. Name in full of Wife. *Frances Ella Clayton,*
4. Address in full. *Forest Road, St. John's - Nfld*
5. Date of Marriage. *June 9<sup>th</sup> 1914.*
6. Place of Marriage. *St. John's - Nfld*
7. Did marriage take place since soldier's enlistment? *No*
8. Was Commanding Officer's permission obtained? If not, why? *N. A.*
9. If not married, how long have you been dependent on the soldier for your maintenance, and supported regularly by him on a bona fide permanent domestic basis? *N. A.*
10. Were you living with your husband immediately prior to his enlistment? If not, how long have you been separated? *Yes*
11. Is separation a legal one. *N. A.*



12. If legal are you in receipt of alimony? If so state amount.

N. A.

13. If not legal, how long since your husband contributed to your support? explain fully.

N. A.

14. State amount of Allotment received by you from soldier monthly?

less exchange = \$71 each

Eight payments of my husbands pay at 10¢ per day, payment.

15. From what date have you received Allotment.

May 1916 to March 1917.

16. Names of children. Age last Birthday

Names of Children. Age last Birthday

Armel  
Howard

7  
4

17. Are you already in receipt of Separation Allowance from any source. If so, state amount.

No

18. Are you in receipt of payment from any Patriotic Fund? If so, how much?

No

19. Have you made a previous claim for Separation Allowance? If not, why? Give particulars.

Not aware, until recently, that I was entitled to it.

20. Was your husband at the time of his enlistment an employee of the Nfld. Government.

No

21. In what capacity and in what place?

N. A.

22. Is he in receipt of a salary as such, while serving in the Nfld. Regiment. If so, how much.

N. A.

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

(Mrs) F. E. Clayton

St. John's Nfld

Date - 29<sup>th</sup> May 1922

Witness to signature - G. J. Hayward



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

St. John's, Newfoundland

Declaration required of Officers and men of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, who claim War Service Gratuity under Order-in-Council dated January 28th, 1919.

A complete reply must be given to every question in this Declaration. There must be no blanks and no dashes. If any questions are not applicable, the words "NOT APPLICABLE" must be written out.

On completion this Declaration is to be returned to THE OFFICER I/C RECORDS, PAY AND RECORD OFFICE, ST. JOHN'S.

Christian Name... *Arthur* ..... 2 Surname... *Clayton* .....

3. Rank... *Captain* ..... *H<sup>rd</sup> Class Chaplain* ..... *Leut* ..... *N.A.* .....

5 Address in full to which future payments of gratuity are to be forwarded..... *to Forest Rd* .....  
..... *S<sup>r</sup> John's* .....

6. Date of enlistment in the Regiment... *Not Applicable* .....

7. Name of dependents, if any, to whom Separation Allowance is being issued or was being issued immediately prior to your discharge.....

8. Relationship of such dependents... *No Separation Allowance received by dependents from WAR OFFICE.* .....  
..... *1st. Sgt. & Children* .....

9. Address in full of such dependents..... *6 Forest Rd* .....  
..... *S<sup>r</sup> John's* .....

10. Is said dependent now, or was said dependent at any time in receipt of Separation Allowance on account of another soldier..... *No* .....

11. Were you on active service only in Newfoundland. If so, give dates and particulars of such service.....  
..... *no* .....

12. Give total length of time which you served on active service, whether in Nfld. or overseas..... *15 Months* .....  
..... *(March 1916 to May 1917) (Voluntary Service till Amputation)* .....

13. Have you had more than one enlistment? If so, give particulars of discharge and re-enlistments, and under what Regtl. Numbers.....  
..... *no* .....



14. Have you already received any payment of Post Discharge Pay or War Service Gratuity? If so, state amount you ~~xxx~~ and your dependents have already received and by whom paid.....

*See paragraph 17.*

15. Have you been issued with a War Service Badge?.....

*Yes.*

16. Have you during the present war, served in the Imperial Forces.....

*Yes.*

17. Are you entitled to receive, or have you received any gratuity in the nature of Post Discharge Pay from the Imperial Forces? If so, state amount received, or to which you are entitled.....

*Received \$150 from War Office i.e. "60 days full pay"*

18. Did you revert Overseas to a rank lower than the substantive rank held by you on your arrival in England?.....

*No.*

(b) If so, was such reversion in consideration of misconduct or inefficiency?.....

*N. A.*

19. Are you now serving in the Regt.?.....

*N. A.*

If not, give - (a) date of Discharge..... (b) Reason for discharge.....

*N. A.*

*N. A.*

20. Did you at any time serve at the front in an actual theatre of war? If so, give particulars of places and dates of such service.....

*Yes. April 16<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> September 1916 Etaples*

*Oct 15 March 1917. Somme*

21. (a) Are you receiving treatment from the Civil Re-Establishment Com.

(b) If so, are you in receipt of full pay and allowances from that Com.

*No.*

And I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under Oath.

Signature of Applicant:

*A Clayton*

Place of Residence:

*6 Forest Rd, S John's*

Declared before me at:

*St. John's*

This

*29<sup>th</sup>*

day of

*May*

1922.

Signature of Barrister of the Supreme Court, Stipendiary Magistrate, Notary Public, Justice of the Peace, or Commissioner of Affidavits

*E. J. Piment*

*Barrister of the Supreme Court*



**POST DISCHARGE PAY**

Date paid	Paid Soldier	Paid Dependent	War Service Gratuity	Net amount due
.....?				
.....				
.....				

**Certified Correct**

**Paymaster**



Capt (Rev. A. Clayton)

ACCOUNT	<u>W.S.G.</u>	INITIALS	<u>[Signature]</u>
CH. NO.	<u>1604</u>	INITIALS	<u>[Signature]</u>
INV. LEDGER	---	INITIALS	<u>[Signature]</u>
PAY LEDGER	---	INITIALS	<u>[Signature]</u>
GEN. LEDGER	---	INITIALS	<u>[Signature]</u>

DEPARTMENT  
OF  
MILITIA

REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH

PAY VOUCHER

JUN 17 '22

\$ 573<sup>75</sup>/<sub>100</sub> .....

RECEIVED from the Royal Newfoundland Regiment the sum of  
Five hundred and seventy three<sup>75</sup>/<sub>100</sub> ..... Dollars

on account of W.S.G.

..... A Clayton .....



April 8th, 1918.

Capt. A. Clayton,  
Forest Road,  
City.

Sir:-

I beg to enclose cheque for \$95.38, being amount of Mess Allowance due you for the period in which you were attached to the Newfoundland Regiment (as notified from the Pay & Record Office, London), from the 12/12/16 to the 19/13/17.

I have the Honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant.

Enclosure.  
C.C.O/E.W.

Capt. & Paymaster



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$95 <sup>38</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

Apr 6<sup>th</sup> 1918

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of thirty five <sup>38</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.  
on account of Pay ~~for~~ allow.  
balance

Ch. No. <u>2161</u>	Initials <u>ew</u>
Pay Ledger <u>[Signature]</u>	Initials <u>lelel</u>
Gen. Ledger <u>[Signature]</u>	Initials <u>[Signature]</u>

Regtl. No. .... Rank .....

[Signature]



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

Rank *Capt.*

Name *A. Clayton*



BRANCH  
Postal No 3  
ACCEPTED FOR  
BY  
DATE 22/3/17

General Hospital  
Wandsworth  
March 21<sup>st</sup> 17

Dear Sir

Will you kindly  
retain all letters and  
parcels addressed to me  
until I call

Yours truly

A Clayton  
C.F.

1ST N WYOMING INFANTRY REGIMENT  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE  
Ref. No. 1371  
Rec'd. MAR 22 1917  
Ack'd.  
Ans'd. 22/3/17  
File No.



My hand

12 MAY 1917

7, HERBERT CRESCENT,

S.W. 1.

Verbal Answer  
letter forwarded

The Honble ~~Mr. Edwards~~ presents

his compliments

to

the Officer

in charge -

Lesford Road

Record Office,

The Rev. A. Clayton was

was

staying

with Mr. Edwards for

a few

days.

Days

left

last

Friday week.

Mr. Edwards

does

not

know

his

address,

would

the

Officer

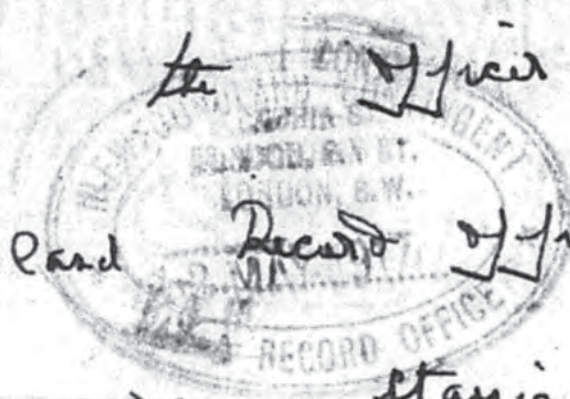
in charge -

take

care

of

this





letter & forward to The Rev. A.  
Clayton. He would be much  
obliged. —

May 12<sup>th</sup> 1917.



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Rec DOCUMENTS

The Hon. the Minister of Militia,

St. John's,

22nd, October

Newfoundland.

N. F. P/10, statement of account . .

Capt. A. Clayton.







8th May, 7.

4230/2

Rev. A. Clayton,

The Ton,

Ystrad. S. Wales.

HT/NWV

OVERSEAS TRANSPORT.

The following telegrams are recorded for your information, please:

Despatched 4/5/17, 373.

"Governor, St. John's.

"Reverend- Clayton- returning to- Newfoundland-

"on completion of- term of contract with- Army

"Chaplains Department- telegraph instructions-

"whether I am to- provide passage- or- to pay

"own passage-

Synoptical."

Received 8/5/17 (2237).

"Synoptical, London.

"Finance- Committee- approve- payment- passage

"of- Clayton-

Governor."

Major,

Paymaster & O. 1/c Records.



May 9<sup>th</sup>/17

The Town  
Ystrad  
S Wales

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your  
Memorandum 4230/2 of the 8<sup>th</sup> inst  
concerning passage to Newfoundland  
& beg to inform you that I have  
booked a passage by Messrs Allan  
& Co's boat Metagama sailing on  
the 18<sup>th</sup> inst. I should be glad  
if you would kindly arrange  
for passage for that day  
Thanking you for your kindness.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant  
A Clayton

ISI N. n.	
PSY & n.	
Ref. No.	2292
Recd.	MAY 10 1917
Ack'd.	
Ans'd.	
File No.	



16th May, 7.

Certified that the Rev. Arthur Clayton, recently attached to H.M. Forces as Chaplain with the rank of Captain, was previously domiciled in Newfoundland and *it is* understood was Curate at St. Thomas' Church, St. John's, and that he desires to return to Newfoundland.

Major,

Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.



No.

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# ANGLO-AMERICAN

WESTERN UNION DIRECT UNITED STATES

## CABLEGRAM



Prefix _____		Code _____		At _____		SENT		FOR STAMPS	
WORDS		CHARGE		To _____		By _____			
				<b>VIA ANGLO.</b>					
THIS FORM WILL BE ACCEPTED AT ALL POST OFFICE TELEGRAPH STATIONS.									

TO PREVENT MISTAKES PLEASE WRITE DISTINCTLY.

On Newfoundland Government Service.

4/5/17

TO GOVERNOR,  
ST. JOHN'S.  
(NEWFOUNDLAND)

REVEREND CLAYTON RICKETISH NEVISCARE COCYTIOREM CORNUTING  
CATHARIST INNOMINATE TOSCAN PALRICE OR PALTRINESS.

SYNOPTICAL.

Translation: Reverend- Clayton- returning to- Newfoundland- on  
completion of- term of contract with- Army Chaplains' Department-  
telegraph instructions- whether I am to- provide passage- or-  
to pay own passage-

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 59 Victoria St. S.W. 1

CABLE ADDRESSES REGISTERED IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD, OR WITH ANY COMPANY, ARE AVAILABLE OVER THE LINES OF THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH-CABLE SYSTEM.



Translation of Cablegram No. 2237  
from Governor.

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Finance-Committee - approve - payment -  
passage of - Clayton.

Sept 4230/2  
Oct. 1/1 4231/75

The Ton,  
Ystad,  
J. Waks -



# CABLEGRAM

No. 156



**GOVT**

No. of Message \_\_\_\_\_ Date, \_\_\_\_\_

MAY 1917

The following CABLEGRAM received, at 8 20 M. "Via Commercial Cables"

RA...SR35 PJ GOVT STJOHNSNF 9

SYNOPTICAL LONDON.

FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVE PAYMENT  
PALMRIND CLAYTON

GOVERNOR.

1ST W WOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	<u>2237</u>
Rec'd.	<u>MAY - 8 1917</u>
Ans'd.	.....
File No.	.....



No. 373

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Clayton  
A. Clayton  
1918



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C.R. 0-231

May 20th 1919

To:- Paymaster

From:- Chief Staff Officer.

I am directed by the Minister to request that you forward to Captain A. Clayton, C.F. cheque for \$100.00 to cover his out-of-pocket expenses in connection with the duties that he was performing at the Depot, both prior to the formation of this Department and since.

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer



May 20th, 1919

Captain A. Cleyton

Forest Road

Dear Sir:-

With further reference to your letter of Feb 28th, I am directed to state that the Paymaster has been instructed to forward you a cheque for \$100.00 to cover your out-of-pocket expenses in connection with the duties performed by you at the Depot. With reference to further claim put forward by you, I am instructed to state that this will be held in abeyance for the present.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.



May 15th 19

To: Minister of Militia

From: Chief Staff Officer.

With reference to the attached claim from Rev. Capt. Clayton, I have the honour to state that I have discussed this matter more fully with him, and have got him to furnish me with certain particulars of the duties that he was performing; and I have the honour to recommend that his out-of-pocket expenses; namely \$100.00 should be paid to him.

With reference to his claim for \$200.00 a year from June 1917, it would appear to be just to make some allowance, in view of the fact that his parish did not feel justified in sufficiently raising his stipend owing to the fact that he was doing military duties and not devoting his whole time to his parish. His more active duties covered the period from June 1917 to Dec. 1918 by which time most of the troops were demobilised, although his field was and is in attending to the needs of the men in Hospital.

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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S May 15th 19  
NEWFOUNDLAND

WHEN REPLYING  
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*W. J. Ruess*  
Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer



Forest Rd

S<sup>r</sup> John's

May 15<sup>th</sup>

Dear Sir

In reply to your request of the 24<sup>th</sup> ult, I am enclosing a list of my ministerial duties as C of E Chaplain to the Forces in the City from June 1917 to the present time.

I am Sir

Yours faithfully

A Clayton, C.F.



Parade Services 74  
Other " 30

Confirmation Classes 8  
Confirmations 2

Communion Services

Private & Public 28

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142

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Visits to Hospital Patients:

300.

Burials

5.

A Clayton



C.R. 0-231

Apr. 24th 19

Captain A. Clayton, C.F.  
Forest Road.

Dear Sir:

Your letter addressed to the Minister of February 28th, has been passed to me, and I have been requested to make a report to him in connection therewith. I shall be glad if you will let me know the different duties which you were called upon to perform in your position as Chaplain to the Church of England Forces in the City, to enable me to render to the Minister a fair report in connection with your claim.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.  
Chief Staff Officer.





DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

MARCH 3rd 1919.

WHEN REPLYING

QUOTE N. 0-231

From: Minister of Militia.

To: Chief Staff Officer.

Herewith I forward you memorandum from the Rev. Captain Clayton, asking that consideration be given his claim for out-of-pocket expenses, etc., in connection with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment both here and on the other side. Would you kindly investigate this claim and let me have a report and recommendation in relation thereto as soon as possible.

Minister of Militia.

ENC.



MARCH 3rd 1919.

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To: Chief Staff Officer.

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C.R. 0-231

MARCH 3rd 1919.

Rev. Captain Clayton,  
6 Forest Road.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your memorandum of the 28th ult., having reference to your work in connection with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, and asking that consideration be given thereto with a view of remuneration for out-of-pocket expenses, etc. I am referring your communication to Lieut. Colonel Rendell, Chief Staff Officer, for enquiry and report. Upon receipt of such I shall again communicate with you.

Yours faithfully,

Minister of Militia.



6 Forest Rd

St John's

Feb 28<sup>th</sup>

To the

Hon J R Bennett,

Minister of Militia

Dear Sir

The following memorandum will, I think give you an idea of my work for the Regiment at St John's.

Since my return from the Regiment in France in May 1917, I have acted, with the permission of my Rector, as C of E Chaplain to the Military Hospitals & the Troops stationed here, & in any other capacity I could be of service as far as the welfare of the men was concerned.

Enquiries In the early days I gladly assisted relatives by making enquiries on various <sup>matters</sup> at the different War Depts in France. Since the formation of the Militia Dept., however, I have been relieved somewhat of this work.

Social Work I paid special attention to this ~~all~~ important work, knowing from experience the necessity of such as far as the well-being & discipline of the troops is concerned. While the men were in barracks, especially during the period they were quarantined, every thing possible was done for their amusement & comfort when off duty.



Hospitals I have visited & ministered to the spiritual needs of the patients at the scattered military hospitals (which are increasing in number), and as there will be considerable work in this direction for some time to come I would suggest that the Chaplains, on the return of the others from active service, should be officially recognized for this work. I have also officiated at the 1922 military funerals at St. John's.

All the above work entailed a certain amount of expense & a considerable portion of my time, in so far that my Parish did not feel justified in sufficiently raising my stipend (wh: they would have done otherwise) in these days of high cost of living. I am therefore at a loss of \$200 a year as far as my Parish is concerned & my expenses which I put at \$100.

The point I have in mind in forwarding you this statement, & which might be helpful to you is that, any country which calls up a man for active service is duty bound to care, not only for the bodily but the spiritual needs of that man, which so far our country alone has not done. This then gives me a claim to ask your kindly consideration of the above report.

I am, Sir  
Yours faithfully  
A Clayton



Nov. 15th. 1918.

Captain A. Clayton, C.F.,  
St. John's.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of November, 14th., enclosing a letter received by you from the Chaplain's Department, War Office, notifying your appointment as an Honorary Chaplain to the Forces 4th. Class.

Please accept my congratulations on this appointment, and taking advantage of the letter enclosed by you to notify the public, through the Press, of this appointment, a copy of which will also appear in the next issue of the Royal Gazette.

I am returning your letter herewith.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.



C.R. 0-231

FOREST ROAD  
ST. JOHN'S M.T.

Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 1918

Lieut. Colonel Rendell.

Sir

I am enclosing letter  
received from the War Office  
for your information & if  
you decide the 1<sup>st</sup> clause  
may be published in your  
reports to the press.

I am Sir

Yours Obediently  
A Clayton

Enclosure to be returned.



Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to the Secretary and the following number be quoted.  
100/Gen. No. 5552 (Chaplains.)

War Office **C.R.** 0-231  
Chaplains Department  
14&15 Albermarle Street  
Picadilly, W.1.  
21st. Oct. 1918.

Sir;

I am directed to inform you that in the recognition of the services rendered by you in the Army Chaplains Department, approval has been given for your appointment in the Forces, 4th Class; a notice to this effect will appear in an early issue of the London Gazette.

You will be permitted to wear the Service dress uniform of your Honourary Rank with the letter "R" on the collar below the collar Badges, if you desire to do so when attending ceremonials or entertainments of a Military Character. In the event of your being called upon to conduct religious <sup>services</sup> for the Troops the Chaplains Scarf may be worn. The Uniform may be worn on any other occasion or a meetings of a political nature.

In order that your name may be retained in the quarterly Army List it is necessary that you should report every 6 months the fact that you have been granted such rank. Such reports (marked Army Lists) should be sent to the Secretary War Office, between (a) 1st. January and 31st. March and (b) 1st. July and 30th. September, respectively. If reports are not received during these periods your name will be removed from the Army List.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.

Sgd. E. H. Pearce.

for Chaplain General.

Rev. A. Clayton.



1. Inform his family  
" Rev. Dr. Jones. **C.R. 0-231**

2. Mr. G.C. Hedges.  
" Standby Cdr  
" Finance Cdr

**NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.** Pension Board  
~~DAAD~~

CABLES AND TELEGRAMS:  
"SYNOPTICAL."  
LONDON.

TELEPHONE:  
VICTORIA 147.

COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE  
PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS.  
AND THE FOLLOWING NO. QUOTED:

**4292/40**

PAY & RECORD OFFICE,

58, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S.W..

10th May, 1917

His Excellency the Governor,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

Sir,

Rev. A. Clayton.

I have the honour to confirm exchange of  
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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Ackn. receipt by  
W.S. 7.5.17

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**OF**  
**NEWFOUNDLAND PATRIOTIC ASSOCIATION**

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*St. John's, Newfoundland,*


May 6, 1917. 191

His Excellency Sir W. E. Davidson,  
K. C. M. G. ,  
Governor of Newfoundland,  
C I T Y .

Sir:-

Referring to your memorandum of Saturday's date respecting return passage for Rev. Clayton, I would repeat here what I said to you over the telephone on Saturday evening, that we guarantee all noncombatants sent overseas, return passage, and while this cleric's position was somewhat irregular at first, seeing that he actually went on his own account and we only paid his passage across after he secured an appointment, still, I think the fact of our paying his passage regularized his case, and entitles him to return at the expense of the Colony, and I am confident that the whole Committee will approve of this.

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

  
Hon. Secretary.



No. 1125.

Telegram from Major Timowell.

(recd. 5 May, 1917)

Reverend Clayton returning to Newfoundland on  
completion term of contract with Army Chaplain's  
Department.

Telegraph instructions whether I am to provide  
passage or to pay own passage.



M: McPhail, for Finance C<sup>o</sup>, Boston Ave St. N.Y. -

= I think that he is right. - **C.R.** 0-231

(1) → T  $\frac{514}{7.5}$  Timewell. Finance Committee  
approval - payment (passage fee) Clayton.

(2) = Copy this to reply to Finance & ST<sup>s</sup> Clayton  
(3) also notify Bishop & Rev. D. Jones re A.

W.R.D.  
6.5.17

No. 1123.

Telegram from Major Timewell.

(recd. 5 May, 1917)

A | Reverend Clayton returning to Newfoundland on  
completion term of contract with Army Chaplain's  
Department.

Telegraph instructions whether I am to provide  
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C.R. M-78-1 ✓

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March 23, 1917.

Dear Madam,

I regret to have to inform you that a report has this day been received from the Record Office of the First Newfoundland Regiment, London, to the effect that

Chaplain. Rev. A. Clayton, has been admitted to Wandsworth suffering from tonsillitis - adenitis neck.

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.

Mrs. A. Clayton,  
Firest Road.



C.P. 0-231

Extract from Casualties received from P.&R. Office London,  
Mar. 22, 1917.

At Wandsworth.

Chaplain Clayton.

Tonsillitis adinitis neck.



My dear Bishop.

File in to

CR. M-78  
Chaplain's

The selection of a Chaplain



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BISHOP'S COURT,

ST. JOHN'S,

NEWFOUNDLAND.

W.P.D.  
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Oct. 23 1215

My dear Governor

I have to thank you for a copy of Mr. Bonar  
Law's letter covering one from the War Office relating  
to the Rev. A. Clayton's application for employment  
as a Chaplain.

As we understand from the reference in the  
letter to "local action" that we are free to send a  
Chaplain with our next reinforcement, and, if so, are we  
limited to Mr. Clayton?

I am of opinion that the Bishop is the proper  
person to select a Ch. of England Chaplain, and  
to recommend (of course with your Excellency's approval)  
the Clergyman so selected to the Authorities in England.

Faithfully yours

Newell Newfoundland



G.P. M-78

Downing Street,  
21st September 1915.

NEWFOUNDLAND.  
No. 487.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your dispatch No. 190 of the 28th August, forwarding a letter from the Right Reverend the Bishop of Newfoundland to the Chaplain General of the Forces, recommending the Reverend A. Clayton for active service in the Chaplain General's Department.

2. You will have learnt from my telegram of the 20th instant that ample provision has been made for the spiritual requirements of the Newfoundland Regiment and there appears little prospect at present of further Chaplains being required.

The Bishop's letter is, however, being forwarded to the War Office with a request that the Revd. A. Clayton's name may be noted in case an opportunity may arise of utilising his services.

I have &c.,

(Sd) A. Bonar Law.

Governor

Sir W.E. Davidson, K.C.M.G.  
&c. &c. &c.