



**FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.**

**ATTESTATION OF**

No. 1853 Name Albert Hancock Corps \_\_\_\_\_

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| 1. What is your name? .....   | 1. <u>Albert Hancock</u>                              |
| 2. What is your full Address?.....  | 2. <u>St. Anthony's</u><br><u>Dist. of St. John's</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? .....   | 3. <u>Yes</u>   |
| 4. What is your Age?.....   | 4. <u>18</u> Years <u>13</u> Months.                  |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling?.....  | 5. <u>Fisherman</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 .....                                      |
|   | { 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. <u>Yes</u>  |

I, Albert Hancock 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.

28 Sept 1915

Albert Hancock SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
Albert Hancock Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Albert Hancock 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 \_\_\_\_\_ on this 28 day of Sept 1915.

Signature of the Attesting Officer. Albert Hancock

† 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 1915

Place \_\_\_\_\_

Approving Officer.

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‡ Here insert the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

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(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 Alfred Hancock  
 Apparent age \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ months. Height 5 feet 6 3/4 inches.  
 Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded 35 inches.  
 { Range of expansion 3 inches.  
 Distinctive marks \_\_\_\_\_

## INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin William Hancock  
St. Anthony's Hotel, St. Paul | 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	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 _____									Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
Joined at _____ on _____									
Total Service forfeited as above ... ..									
Total Service towards Engagement to _____ (date of discharge) _____ years _____ days									
" " " Pension " _____ ( " ) _____ " _____ "									



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					years   days	years   days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>28-9-15</u>							
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>September 28/15</u>							
H A		Embarked <u>St. John's train to Quebec</u> <u>27</u> <u>15</u>					
		Embarked <u>Southampton</u> <u>25</u> <u>16</u>					
		Disembarked <u>Quebec</u> <u>26</u> <u>16</u>					
		Joined unit <u>21-7-16</u>					
		Ord. leave <u>25th Dist. Regt</u> <u>2</u> <u>17</u>					
		Admitted <u>23-7</u>					
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Total Service forfeited as above							
Total Service towards Engagement to <u>10-3-18</u> (date of discharge) <u>2</u> years <u>164</u> days							
" " " Pension " " " " " " " " " " " "							

REGIMENTAL NUMBER 1853

COMPANY 9

THE  
1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

♦♦♦-----♦♦♦

I hereby enlist for service at home or abroad in the King's  
Forces 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 R. H. Hancock

Witness Maureen Thomas

Dated at Apr

1916 1916

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. .... *1853* ..... Name. .... *Hancock* .....

To Certify that I have received the AB 64 of the above  
named soldier.

Name. .... *William Hancock* .....

Date. .... *August - 15<sup>th</sup> 1920* .....

Place. .... *St. Anthony, Newfoundland* .....

N.B. For completion and return to the Department of Militia  
Insert in corner of envelope "AB 64"

*W*



DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY

26 DEC 1918

Posted

20430/644/P&A.

The Hon. the Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

FM/MN. 11th. December, 8.

1853. PRIVATE. A. HANCOCK.  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.  
16561/546/Ests.  
18929/609/P&A.

C.R. 1853

With reference to the above  
quoted numbers.

In view of your telegram  
7/11/18, the amount was  
transferred to Headquarters  
Telegraphic Remittance Account  
as stated in this Office  
memorandum No. 18929/609/P&A,  
20/11/18, please.

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

*not found*

C.R. 1853

Albert Hancock was attested for General  
Service with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT ON September 28th 1915  
Regimental No. 1853 was allotted to Pte. Albert Hancock

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia.

March 25th 1919



C.R. 1853

August 1st, 1919

Mr. Wm. Hancock  
St. Anthony

Dear Sir:-

With reference to your letter of May 1st relative to the location of the grave of your late son, No. 1853, Private Albert Hancock, I regret to say that as a result of enquiries made, we are informed by the Director of Graves Registration and Enquiries that Private Hancock's grave has not yet been located.

I may say that Capt. Mangle of the Royal Newfoundland Regt. has been detailed by this Department to undertake in France and Belgium, the work of marking and having registered the isolated graves and bodies of Mfld. soldiers and having them placed on military cemeteries. This work is expected to prove very successful, and with this in view it is hoped that your son's grave will eventually be located, when it will be removed to a British Military Cemetery.

Yours faithfully

Lieut. Col.

CHIEF STAFF OFFICER

## Department of Militia

## MEMORANDUM

C.R. 1853

No. 141/1853

From

MINISTER OF MILITIA,  
ST. JOHN'S,  
NEWFOUNDLAND

May 1st 1919

To

Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records,  
Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
C/O Pay & Record Office,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London S.W.1.

9358.

SUBJECT:

No.1853 Pte. Albert Hancock,  
deceased.

REPLY

Dated 4th July, 1919

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE

The father of the above mentioned man has written me asking whether we have any information as to whether this soldier has been buried, and whether his grave is being looked after by the Military Authorities. Kindly make all necessary enquiries and inform me at your earliest possible convenience.

The following reply from the D.G.G.R.&E. in answer to this Office enquiry is quoted, please.

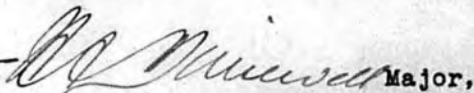
"1853 Pte. A. Hancock.

"Reference your 8164/45/R.&C. dated 30th May 1919, the grave of the above named man is not located. Any information received will be forwarded."

It is regretted that a more satisfactory answer cannot at present be given.



Minister of Militia



Major,  
Chief Staff Officer (London).

NEWFOUNDLAND GOVERNMENT,  
ST. JOHN'S OFFICE.

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HB/JC

C.R. 1853

May, 1st 19

Mr. Wm. Hancock,  
St. Anthony.

Dear Sir:

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 28th, with reference to the location of the Grave of No. 1853 Pte. Albert Hancock, I am further to state that in all cases where bodies of deceased soldiers have been found and identified, they are placed in recognised British Military Cemeteries, and a headstone is erected over the grave, giving all particulars as to the soldiers death, and the upkeep of the grave is looked after by a special branch of the British War Office. I regret to say that we have received no information that your son's body has as yet been found, nor have we any record of the Military Chaplain having buried him. We are making arrangements, however, to have a thorough enquiry made on the other side, on all these points, and should we receive any satisfactory information, I shall at once communicate with you.

Yours sincerely,

Lieut.

Casualty Officer.

FAE/MP

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St Anthony,  
March, 28<sup>th</sup>, 1919.

C.R. 1853

To J. R. Bennett, Esq.  
Minister of Militia,  
St John's.

Dear Sir:-

Can you give me any information concerning the graves of our dead soldiers of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment? I have a soldier boy somewhere in France No 1853 Pte Albert Hancock lying in an unknown grave. and I would like to know if he is buried in a cemetery or if not, are the dead going to be removed and put in cemeteries?

# 2.

Please secure all the information possible and give me, as I am very anxious to get particulars. Probably you could find out the Chaplain who was serving at that time. and get some information from him. If you know the chaplain please tell him to write me particulars.

Thanking you for past favours.

I am

Yours sincerely.

Wm Hancock.

(Father of

per. N. G. Hancock, <sup>(deceased)</sup>

(L. E. Leacher.)

C.R. 1853

141/1853

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C.R. 1853

Extract from Telegram received from Synoptical  
London, Nov. 9th, 1918.

With reference your telegram Nov. 6th 1853, Hancock  
2.1. was paid Jan. 5th you can pay : .3.2.

MM.

C.R. 185-3

Extract from Telegram to Synoptical, London, from Military,  
St. John's, dated Nov. 7th. 1918.

With reference my telegram November 28th. 1917,  
No. 1053 Hanceck £4"2, sender reports this amount  
not paid and requests refund. May we pay?



Telephone :  
VICTORIA 147.

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Communications to be addressed to the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/O RECORDS,  
and the following No. quoted :

## MEMORANDUM.

No. 18531/548/Ests.

**C.R. 1853**

From  
**PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,**  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.

To  
The Hon. the Minister of  
Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

FM/WF 14th, October 1918.

### SUBJECT:

1853, PTE. A. HANCOCK,  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.  
Reference Nos.

### REPLY

Dated Nov. 25th. 1918 191

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE.

With reference to the following letter from Mr. William Hancock, St. Anthony, N.E. Coast, Newfoundland, 2/9/18 (8468): An

"On March 10th. 1918 my son  
"Pte. A. Hancock No. 1853 was  
"killed in action somewhere  
"in France. Before leaving  
"England for the Front he left  
"the sum of £20.00 in care  
"of the Pay & Record Office  
"London to be returned home in  
"case anything should happen  
"him. I have the letter which  
"contains the particulars of  
"this money which he sent me  
"on his arrival in France. I  
"should be very glad if you will  
"try and investigate the matter  
"and have the money sent to me.

An amount of £4. 2. 0  
was received from you 29/11/17.  
Part of this amount, £1. 0. 0  
was paid Pte. Hancock, 5/1/18,  
leaving a balance of £3. 2. 0  
which has now been placed to the  
credit of deceased Soldier's  
Estate.

Non-effective account  
will be forwarded to you  
shortly.

*H. A. Dumas* Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

This is not in accordance with your telegram of Nov. 9th. No. 589, which states "you can pay" (having reference to the unpaid balance of our telegraphic remittance of 29/11/17).

On receipt of this telegram we sent cheque for the unpaid balance to the remitter.

It now appears that the sum of £3.2.0 has been credited in the soldier's non-effective account, and the balance due by the Paymaster is only £1.5.2.

The account should show a debit balance of £1.16.10.

Minister of Militia.

PERSONAL EFFECTS

RECEIVED FROM MILITIA DEPARTMENT

C.R.

1853

ONE PACKAGE OF EFFECTS OF THE LATE NO. 1853, PRIVATE ALBERT  
HANCOCK

SIGNED. *William Hancock*

DATE. *October 2, 1918*

No. 12

A REGISTERED POSTAL PACKET

1853

Received from

Addressed

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

Office Stamp



Received a Registered Postal Packet addressed as above....

*Wm Hancock*  
*J. Anthony*  
*Per*

C.R. 1853

Sept 7th, 1928

Mr. William Hancock  
St. Anthony

Dear Mr. Hancock:-

I am writing to inform you that it is my regrettable duty to forward to you one package containing effects, which belonged to the late No.1853, Private Albert Hancock, of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment

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

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

I am,

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.

Casualty Officer.


No. of Paper 1257.

**PERSONAL EFFECTS.**

Name Hancock A.

No. 1853 Rank Pte

Regiment R Newfoundland

Article	Where stored	Notified by
1 Package - Containing 1 Wallet - 1 Testament - Photos - 1 Com b - letters - Cards - 1 Disc - 1 Penny.		SHIPPED TO NEWFOUNDLAND
	Final Disposal	

Remarks: K.I.A.

Next of Kin  
Wm Hancock  
of Clithorpe

C.R. 1753

April 22, 1918.

William Hancock, Esq.,

St. Anthony.

Sir:-

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 28th March, concerning 1853 Pte. Albert Hancock.

With reference to the effects and belongings of this soldier, I have to inform you that these will be collected from the First Battalion, and from the Depot, Winchester, where it is likely he left some things and they will be dispatched to this Department, by the Record Office, London, as soon as they are received by this Department they will be forwarded to you.

We have found that it takes four or five months' before these effects are received by us.

With reference to money matters in pay at his credit, with the Pay Office in London, will be transferred to this Department, and letters of administration will be issued by the Dept. of Justice, who will notify us to pay any balance over to you, I expect it will be about

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six months before this can be put through, as there is always a delay in collecting the accounts from the Battalion in the Field, andt the Field Cashier.

Still I wish to assure you that any of this soldier's effects and any monies at his credit, will eventually be passed over to you.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.



Major,

Chief Staff Officer.

St. Anthony.  
March 28<sup>th</sup> 1918.  
C.R. 1853



To Hon. J. P. Bennett.  
Acting Minister "Militia."  
St. John's.

Dear Sir:-

Having heard of  
the death of my son  
Pte. Albert Hancock No  
1853. <sup>1<sup>st</sup></sup> Royal Nfld Regt.

I now write to ask  
you if you would please  
try and hunt up some  
of his belongings and  
have the same sent to  
his home. I would like  
to get everything belong-  
ing to him which can  
be found.

P. T. O.



# 3.

I sent a parcel to my boy about a fortnight ago and would like for it to be returned if possible. Would you please inform me of this?

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

W<sup>m</sup> Hancock.

P.S. per. H. J. Hancock, (C. of E. Teacher)

Please find out if there was either wrist-watch picked up belonging to him, as I would like to get it as a remembrance of him.

W. H.

# 2.

I sent him some money some time ago. And when he went to France, he left it in Co Pay Office London. But never got back to enjoy it. Will you please try your best and get it sent home also his belongings if any are found. If you cannot do anything with the matter please let me know at your earliest opportunity.

I would like to know what becomes of the parcels which are sent to soldiers who are killed before parcels reach them. Are they sent home? or what is done with them?

C.R. 4833  
Counter No. \_\_\_\_\_

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



## Cable Connection with all the World

### All Messages Sent are Subject to the Following Conditions:

The Management may decline to forward the Message, though it has been received for transmission; but in case of so doing shall refund to the Sender the amount paid for its transmission.

In case the Message shall never reach its destination by reason of any neglect or default of the N. P. T. or its Servants whilst the Message remains under the control of the N. P. T., they will refund the amount paid by the Sender for such Message.

The N. P. T. shall not be liable to make compensation beyond the amount refunded as above for any loss, injury, or damage arising or resulting from the non-transmission or non-delivery of the Message, or delay or error in the transmission or delivery thereof, howsoever such transmission, non-delivery, delay, or error shall have occurred.

The control of the N. P. T. over the Message shall be deemed to have entirely ceased for the purposes of these Conditions at any point where, in the course of the transit of the Message to its destination, it may be entrusted by the N. P. T. (and the N. P. T. shall have full power so to entrust the Message) for further transmission by or through any system, service, or line of Telegraph belonging to or worked by any administration or authority not controlled by the N. P. T. exclusively, although worked as part of or in connection with the Telegraphic system or service of the N. P. T.

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

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

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

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check
Dated <u>March 22, 1918.</u>					
To <u>William Hancock, St. Anthony.</u>					

No further particulars concerning death of  
Pte Hancock received any further particulars  
will be immediately wired when received

M I L I T I A

C/Dept. of Militia

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**(NOT TRANSMITTED)**

Signature of Sender \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ **Deot of Militia.**

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Cheek

Dated March 21st, 1918.

To Church of England Minister or School Teacher,  
St. Anthony

Regret to inform you Record Office, London reports to-day

No. 1853m, Private Albert Hancock killed in action March 10th

Please notify next of kin.

**J.R. Bennett**

**Actg. Minister of Militia**

C.R. 1863  
Counter No. \_\_\_\_\_

Form No. 17

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender \_\_\_\_\_ Address Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check
Dated <u>March, 21st, 1918.</u>					
To <u>Mr. William Hancock, St. Anthony</u>					

Regret to inform you Record Office, reports to-day that

No. 1853, Private Albert Hancock was killed in action March 10th.

**NOTE FOR OPERATOR:**

**THIS MESSAGE IS NOT TO BE DELIVERED UNTIL RECEIVING OFFICE NOTIFIES THAT MESSAGE TO CHURCH OF ENGLAND MINISTER OR SCHOOL TEACHER HAS BEEN DELIVERED AND ACTED UPON.**

C.R. 1853

FORM No. 15

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS

WIRELESS GABLE CONNECTION WITH ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD



ANSWERED  
MAR 20 1918

16 Coll  
No.

Line No. Sent by Rec'd by Check

Place from *St. Anthony*

To *Wm. O. Hancock*

MAR 21 1918

Please advise if pte  
Albert Hancock was  
killed instantly and  
if body had been  
buried  
William O Hancock

C.R. 1853

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

#1853 Pte. A Hancock.

Killed in Action March 10, 1918.

C.R. / 853

Extract of Casualty List received from Pay and Record Office London  
dated 20th. March 1918.

1853 ~~Pte.~~ A. Hancock,

Royal Wfld. Regt., Killed in Action France or Belgium, 10/3/18.

CR 1853

Extract from Nominal Roll of Draft No. 35: 18 Other Ranks from 2/1st  
Newfoundland Regiment, Ayr, to 1/1st Newfoundland Regiment, B.E.F.  
Embarked Southampton 5/12/17.

1853 Pte Hancock, A.

MP.



① Forward C.R. 1853  
② Usual Reply

St Anthony May 23, 1917

Wm  
255

To His Excellency the Governor

May it please your Excellency

I am writing you this concerning my son Albert Hancock a private serving in the First Newfoundland Regiment he was wounded in ~~October~~ <sup>Feb</sup> and now writes that he will not be fit for service for a long time and that he would like to come home on furlough but he states that permission would have to be granted by you before this could be done if this is the case would you please grant this favour

I am your most obedient servant

Wm J Hancock

# 1 VFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender Edw. M. Hancock Address \_\_\_\_\_

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated

April 13, 1917.

No

Mr. William Hancock,  
St. Anthony.

Replying my cablegram asking for further particulars respecting injuries No. 1853, Private Albert Hancock, Record Office, London, today reports progressing favourably at Wandsworth gunshot wounds both legs no fracture no amputation.

J.R. BENNETT

Colonial Secretary



TRANSLATION OF CODE MESSAGE SENT TO  
SYNOPTICAL, LONDON, ON THE  
11TH APRIL, 1917.



Report by telegraph present condition of  
2688 Stone 2779 Semerton Relatives anxious  
for news of 2967 Dunphy 2284 Layman 696  
Gear What is extent of injuries sustained by  
1853 Hancock full stop Have you any informa-  
tion personal effects of 1124 Lannigan.



No. 28

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

CABLE CONNECTION WITH ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

No. 1175 Sent by Wm Rec'd by Wm Check Wm

Place from Stanhony

To Bennett

Alsey

APR 9 1914

Want information  
concerning 1853 the  
Albert Hancock are  
they wounds serious  
Wm Hancock

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated

9th April, 1917.

To

Mr. William Hancock,

St. Anthony.

Shall make enquiry Record Office London for particulars nature of wounds and present condition No. 1853 Private Albert Hancock and acquaint you when reply received.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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

**(NOT TRANSMITTED)**

Signature of Sender

*Frederick Shilling*

Address

Line  
Number

Rcd

By

Sent

Sec by

Check

Dated

March 16, 1917.

To

Mr. William Hancock,

St. Anthony.

Replying my enquiry Record Office, London,  
today reports No. 1853, Private Albert Hancock,  
progressing satisfactorily.

J.R. BENNETT

Colonial Secretary

TRANSLATION OF CODE MESSAGE SENT TO SYNOPTICAL,  
LONDON, 12th MARCH, 1917.

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What is address of Report by telegraph present  
condition of 2nd Lieut. Sheppard Report by telegraph  
present condition of 1853 Hancock 2373 French 1618  
Allan 2953 Kavanagh 2851 Brinston 1027 Dodd Telegraph  
whereabouts of 459 Crotty 1093 Martret 2067 Forward  
stop parcels letters addressed to 1770 Adams not received  
Telegraph result of enquiry.

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender

Address

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated

10th March, 1917.

To

Mr. William Hancock,

St. Anthony.

Regret to inform you that Record Office,

London, officially reports No. 1853 Private Albert

Hancock admitted Wandsworth Gunshot Wound both 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.

FOR TYPEWRITER



Form No. 1

# NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

CABLE CONNECTION WITH ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

Line No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sent by J Rec'd by \_\_\_\_\_ Check 12/ No. \_\_\_\_\_

Place from St Anthony 18

To J B Bennett

Col Secy

MAR 10 1917

<sup>1813</sup> Wire pte Abbott Hancocks  
 address and how long  
 wounded I can as  
 possible

Wm Hancock

C.R. 1953

Extract from Casualties received from P.O.R. Office London,  
Mar. 3th, 1918.

At Wandsworth.

1853 Hancock.

Guns got wound both legs.

CR. 1853

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

27/10/28.

1853 Pte. A. Hancock.

Cables and Telegrams :  
"SYNOPTICAL," London.

Telephone :  
VICTORIA 147.

Communications to be addressed to the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/O RECORDS,  
and the following No. quoted :

N. F. P/38A.

DUPLICATE.

## NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

### MEMORANDUM.

No. 18929/809/P&A

C.R. 1853

From  
**PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,**  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.

To  
The Hon. the Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

20th. November, 1918.

FM/MF

#### SUBJECT :

1853. PTE. A. HANCOCK, (DECEASED.)  
Reference Nos.

#### REPLY

Dated January 20th. 1919 191

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE.

With reference to  
exchange of telegrams,-

(1)

"Received 7/11/18 (9605):  
"Synoptical, London.

"With ref. my telegram 28 Nov- 1917-  
"1853- Hancock- £4:2:0- sender-  
"states that- amount- has not been  
"paid- requests refund- shall we  
"pay fullstop-  
Military."

(2)

"Despatched 8/11/18 (1345):  
"Military, St. John's.

"Reference your telegram 6th  
"November- 1853- Hancock- £1:0:0-  
"was paid- January 5- you can pay-  
"£3:2:0-  
Synoptical."

As it is understood  
that the balance of £3:2:0 due to  
the deceased Soldier will be  
refunded to remitter this amount  
has been credited to you in  
telegraphic remittance account,  
please.

*W. J. Munnell*  
Major.  
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Rds.

Noted, please.

Amount repaid to remitter,  
9/11/18.

Minister of Militia.

C.R. 1853

Extract from Nominal Roll of Hfld. Regt. Draft No.7 from  
2nd Bn., Depot, to 1st Bn., B.E.F. Embarked Southampton  
25-6-16.

1853 Pte. A.Hancock.

C. Hancock.

1853

P.P.O.

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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname Hancock

Christian Name Albert

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish..... County N. Hants

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined .....	on <u>27</u> day of <u>Sept.</u> 191 <u>5</u>	at <u>St John's N. Hants</u>	on <u>2-DEC 1917</u>	at <u>58, VICTORIA ST. LONDON, S.W.</u>
Declared Age.....	<u>18</u> years	days	<u>23</u> years	days
Trade or Occupation.....	<u>Fisherman</u>			
Height .....	<u>5</u> feet	<u>6 1/4</u> inches	<u>5</u> feet	<u>6 1/4</u> inches
Weight .....		<u>124</u> lbs.		<u>124</u> lbs.
Chest Measurement {	Girth when fully expanded... <u>35</u> inches			
	Range of expansion... <u>3</u> inches			
Physical Development.....				
Vaccination Marks {	Arm .....			
	Number .....			
When Vaccinated .....				
Vision .....	R. E.—V= <u>4/6</u>		R. E.—V=	
	L. E.—V= <u>4/6</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>H. W. Burden</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Lieut</u>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted .....	at <u>St John's</u>		at	
	on <u>28</u> day of <u>Sept</u> 191 <u>5</u>		on	day of 191
Joined on Enlistment ...	<u>1<sup>st</sup> N. Hants Regt</u>	<u>1853.</u>		
Transferred to...				
Became non-effective by .....	on	day of 191	on	day of 191
(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				
3 <sup>rd</sup> LONDON GENERAL HOSPITAL WANDSWORTH.	7	3	17	6	JUN	1917	G. S. W IX 1 Same with thighs G. S. W VI 1	91	Wounded in France 2.8.17 To Holt's hill Camp Mitchem	G. C. Hall Capt Med.
HOLBORN MILITARY HOSPITAL. WESTERN ROAD, MITCHEM.	6	6	17	16	8	17	G.S.W Both thighs 1222.	71	Wounded in France 2.5.17. Healed on admission & had massage discharged to duty	Harold Bentley



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.	1st Inoculation
19. 11. 15	Vacc R.R. Abraham. L.S. Lamb
9 12. 15	T.V. " R.R. Abraham. L.S. Lamb
19. 6. 16	Fit for Foreign Service H. G. W.

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
St. John's Hill					

FIELD SERVICE.

ORIGINAL

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 } B. Co.

Regimental No. 1853. Rank Private.

Surname Hancock. Christian Names A.

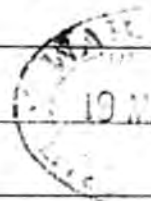
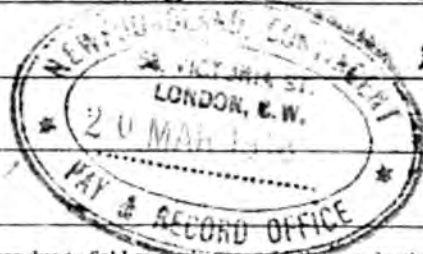
Died { Date 10-3-18. Place France or Belgium.

Cause of Death Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report B 213 d/11/3-18.

By whom made O.C. Unit.

\* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.



**COPY SENT TO**  
 State whether he leaves a will or not.  
O.C. H.Q.  
**ST. JOHNS. N.F.L.D.**  
 All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any 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.  
 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, if the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

(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.

Station and Date } G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon Signature of Officer in charge of Section } A.T. Lloyd Lieut. for Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } MAJOR



# 1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ALLOTMENTS

I, Albert Hancock, Regl. No. 1853

hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official form to make an Allotment of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars and seventy Cents, per diem, from my Pay, to, and for the benefit of the undermentioned Person <sup>and</sup> <sub>or</sub> Persons, such payment to be made on proof of identity of, and production of the relative Identity Certificates by the Person <sup>and</sup> <sub>or</sub> Persons concerned, viz.:

Identity Certificate	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative or Friend	NAME (in full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)	
1688	Father	William Hancock	St. Anthony		70
Total Allotment, \$					

NOTE.—This form must be completed by the Officer Commanding Company, signed by the Volunteer, countersigned by the Officer Commanding Company and handed to the Paymaster as authority to make the required payments on application.

(Sig.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Officer Commanding  
 Company

(Sig.) Albert Hancock  
 (Rank) Private

No. 1853 Rank Pte Name Hancock. A.

Pay	F.A.	Wkg	Total
1.00	10		1.10
Loss Allotment			70
Net Rate			40

N.M.F./53.

DEBITS	Date	£ s d			CREDITS	Period		Days	Rate	p	d	£ s d		
						From	To							
Balance					Balance		8 6/7					16	10	2
Acquittance Rolls					Pay @ net Rate									
Hospital Advances		2	4	0		9 6/7	16 5/7	69	40	27	60	5	13	5
A.B. 64					Ration allow									
P. & R.O. Payments		5	0	0	10 days @ 1/									
	<i>Colours 16 8/7</i>													

3-3-7

CHECKED  
*[Signature]*  
11/2/53

of £1.10.0  
21 9.7  
No. 1853 Lieut A Hancock  
1st Newfoundland Regt.

wishes to draw from his pay  
and Record office 58 Victoria  
Street the sum of £1.10s

signed

HOLBORN MILITARY HOSPITAL  
WESTERN ROAD, MITCHAM.

W. G. Hawks  
Capt R A M. C.  
Repe 3456

No. 1853 Name *Barcock. A.* Sqn., Batty., } *G.* Corps *2/1* *7th* *Regt* Date of enlistment } *Sep 28/15* 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. } Signature O.C. } *H. Butler* } Company, etc. } Character } *1st Lt*

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>To England 6/3/17.</i>					
						<i>Wounded</i>			
							<i>3-3-17</i>		
							<i>J.D.</i>		

Army Form B. 122

181- Newfoundland Regt  
Pay and Record office  
58 Victoria Street

Please Remit- to Pte A Hancock  
The sum of one pound 10  
shillings on account of Balance  
due to me.

Signed

Approved

W. G. A. Aulks

Capt Bame.

OK.  
1-10-0  
7  
Rec. No 3681

HOLBORN MILITARY HOSPITAL,  
WESTERN ROAD, MITCHAM.

Forms  
C. 348  
388

MEMORANDUM.

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

To Officer Commanding  
1st Newfoundland Regt

B. E. F.

From

O.C.  
1st Newfoundland Regt  
To Pay & Record Office

To

ANSWER.

Pay & Record Office

21st December 1917

1853, Pte. A. Hancock.

With reference to the following telegram (7263), from the Hon. the Minister of Militia received 29/11/17

Pay to 1853, Hancock £4:2:0

Kindly advise whether this amount should be remitted to you for payment to this Soldier or retained for credit of his account or otherwise dealt with.

*F. H. Marshall*  
Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

29/12 1917

Please forward  
£1000 to Pte Hancock  
& place balance to  
credit of his acc.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT	
PAYMASTER & RECORDS OFFICER	
2 JAN 1918	
COMM. 1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGT	
Off. Nos. (U)	
SEARCHED	
Comd.	
P. & A.	
R. & C.	
B. & E.	
P.S.	



1164/P&A

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

~~Officer Commanding,~~  
1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regt  
B. E. F.

Pay & Record Office,  
23rd January 1918

Reference Reverse: The  
Credit Lyonnais have been re-  
quested to remit the equivalent  
of the amount stated to you  
for payment to Pte. Hancock.

Kindly obtain the Soldier's  
receipt hereon.

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Major

Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records

FM/JS

1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No.	1407
Rec'd.	10 FEB 1918
Acc'd.	
Ans'd.	
Fils No.	

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

From: *OC 1st Battalion.*  
5/2/18

Receipts hereunder:  
*Exchange and adv*

Received of Commanding  
Officer, 1st Newfoundland Regt.  
the sum of twenty six francs  
(*fr 26<sup>00</sup>*), being a remittance from  
Credis Lyonnais.

1853 a Hancock

5/2/18

BRANCH	
<i>Law</i>	
ACCEPTED UPON	
BY	<i>[Signature]</i>
DATE	11/2/18

No. 1853

N.F.P./45.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

To: Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,  
Newfoundland contingent,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London S.W. 1.

✓  
3599

Please remit to

P. A. Hancock

Newfoundland Regt

the sum of 1 pounds 10 shillings, on  
account of any balance that may be due to me.

OK  
L1. 10. 0/11

Regtl. No. 1853 Rank Private

Name Albert Hancock

Approved W. G. Faulkner Capt  
Officer i/c.,

HOLBORN MILITARY HOSPITAL,  
WESTERN ROAD, MITCHAM. Hospital.

Dated at July 18-1917

1917.

St. Anthony.  
N. E. Coast,  
Newfoundland.  
Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> / 18

To Pay + Record Office,  
Nfld Contingent,  
5-3 Victoria St.  
London, S.W.  
England.

Dear Sir :-

On March 10<sup>th</sup> 1918.  
My son Pte. A. Hanesck No  
1853 was "killed in action"  
somewhere in France,  
Before leaving England  
for the front, he left  
the sum of \$20.00 in care  
of (The Pay + Record Office)  
London. to be returned  
home in case anything.

Should happen him. I have the letter which contains the particulars of this money. which he sent me on his arrival in France.

I should be very glad if you will try and investigate the matter and have the money sent to me.

NEWFOUNDLAND POST OFFICE  
 PAY & RECEIVED  
 Ref. Nos. <sup>8468</sup> Yours Very Sincerely,  
 Rec'd J. OCT 19 1899 William Hancock.  
 Ack'd  
 Ref. Nos. 16561/5246  
 ACTION  
 BRANCH BY  
 Gmmt  
 P & A  
 R & C  
 R & E  
 P.S.

16561/5246  
 14/10/15  
 J.H.

To the 1st Newfoundlands

Pay and Record office  
54 Victoria Street

Please Remit to 1853 Pt of Hancock  
The sum of 2 Pounds on account of  
balance due to me

OK  
J.A.  
5/4/17

Recd. No 3992

Approved  
J. Nathaniel

Capt. R.A.M.C.

HOLBORN MILITARY HOSPITAL,  
WESTERN ROAD, MITCHAM.

ACKT dated		No. IN
Received		
REPLY dated		
Received		
LAST received	609	
NEX	"	

20430/644/P&A.

The Hon. the Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

PIA/MN. 11th. December, 9.

1853. PRIVATE. A. HANCOCK.  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.

16561/546/Bsts.  
18929/609/P&A.

With reference to the above  
quoted numbers.

In view of your telegram  
7/11/18, the amount was  
transferred to Headquarters  
Telegraphic Remittance Account  
as stated in this Office  
memorandum No. 18929/609/P&A,  
20/11/18, please.

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

EXTRACT OF TELEGRAM.

"Despatched 8/11/18(1345):

"Military, St. John's."

"Reference your telegram 6th November- 1853- Hancock- £1:0:0-

"was paid- January 5- you can pay-£3:2:0-

(Sgd) SYNOPTICAL"

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DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY

Posted 26 DEC 1918



19929/609/P&A

The Hon. the Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

*OK*

PM/MN.

20th. November,

A.

January 20th 1919

1853. PTE. A. HANCOCK, (DECEASED.)

With reference to  
exchange of telegrams,-

Noted, please.

(1)  
"Received 7/11/18 (9605):  
"Synoptical, London.

Amount repaid to remitter  
9/11/18.

"With ref. my telegram 28 Nov- 1917-  
"1853- Hancock- £4:2:0- sender-  
"states that- amount- has not been  
"paid- requests refund- shall we  
"pay- fullstop-  
Military."

(2)  
"Despatched 8/11/18 (1345):  
"Military, St. John's.

Minister of Militia.

"Reference your telegram 6th  
"November- 1853- Hancock- £1:0:0-  
"was paid- January 5- you can pay-  
"£3:2:0-  
Synoptical."

As it is understood  
that the balance of £3:2:0 due to  
the deceased Soldier will be  
refunded to remitter this amount  
has been credited to you in  
telegraphic remittance account,  
please.

Major.  
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Rcds.

1853



## Department of Militia

## MEMORANDUM

No. 141/1853

From

MINISTER OF MILITIA,  
ST. JOHN'S,  
NEWFOUNDLAND

May 1st 1919

To

Chief Paymaster & O.i/o Records,  
Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
O/o Pay & Record Office,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London S.W.1.

9358.

SUBJECT:

No. 1853 Pte. Albert Hancock,  
deceased.

REPLY

Dated 4th July, 1919

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE

The father of the above mentioned man has written me asking whether we have any information as to whether this soldier has been buried, and whether his grave is being looked after by the Military Authorities. Kindly make all necessary enquiries and inform me at your earliest possible convenience.

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

The following reply from the D.G.G.R.&E. in answer to this Office enquiry is quoted, please.

"1853 Pte. A. Hancock.

"Reference your 8164/45/R.&C. dated 30th May 1919, the grave of the above named man is not located. Any information received will be forwarded."

It is regretted that a more satisfactory answer cannot at present be given.

*[Signature]*  
Major,  
Chief Staff Officer (London).

HB/JC

3798  
21 MAY 1919

Reference: C.C.M/55/27542.

The Officer in Charge,  
Newfoundland Record Office,  
58, Victoria Street,  
S.W. 1.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE  
27 JUN 1919

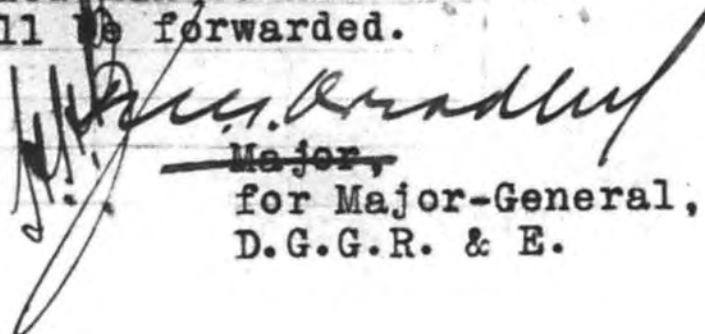
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INQUIRIES

1853 Private A. Hancock,  
1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
Killed 10th March 1918.

Reference your 8164/45/R. & C. dated 30th May  
1919, the grave of above named man is not located.  
Any information received will be forwarded.

War Office,  
Winchester House,  
St. James's Square,  
London, S.W. 1.

  
~~Major,~~  
for Major-General,  
D.G.G.R. & E.

On His Majesty's Service.

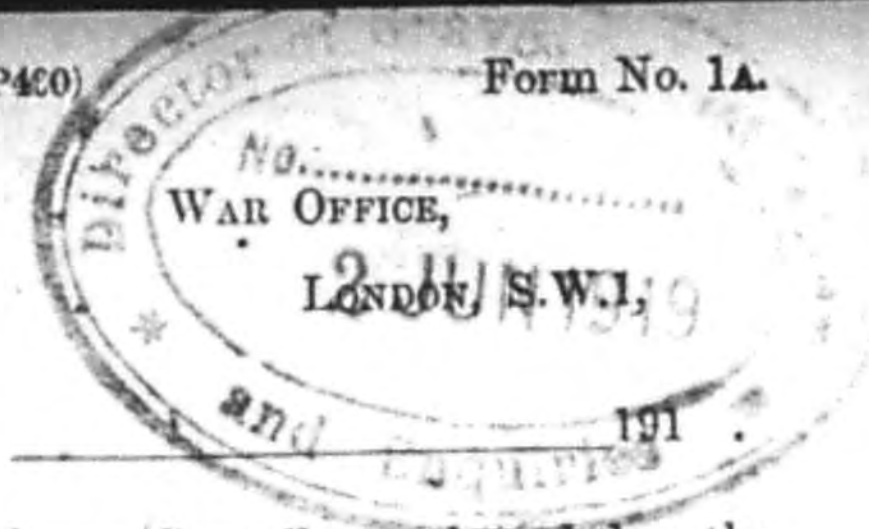
To Chief Staff Officer  
Pay Record Office  
Wentworthland Cantonment  
88 Victoria St

WAR OFFICE.

S. G.

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—

The Secretary, War Office,  
London, S.W.1,  
and the following number quoted.



~~Sir,~~  
I am commanded by the Army Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ult.

on the subject of

Report of Mr. Hancock.

A further communication will be addressed to you on this subject.

I am, ~~SIR~~ Your obedient Servant,

*R. W. B. B. B.*

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Chief Staff Officer  
(London)

30th May,

9.

D. G. G. R. & E.,

8164/45/R.&.C.


War Office, Winchester House,

St. James's Square, S.W. 1.

No. 1853 PTE. A. HANCOCK, deceased  
1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

I have been requested by the Minister of  
Militia of Newfoundland to ascertain if the  
grave of the above-named man has yet been located.  
Will you please say?

Pte. Hancock was reported Killed in Action  
10/3/18.

  
Chief Staff Officer (London)

10055/515/P&A

The Minister of Militia

St. John's

Newfoundland

FM/BC

July 30th 9

1853 PTE. A. HANCOCK. DECEASED.

16561/546/Ests 14/10/18  
18929/609/P&A 20/11/18

With reference to the  
above quoted memoranda :

When on receipt of your  
telegram 7/11/18 it was found that  
the amount had not been credited  
to Deceased's estate as intended,  
it was decided to advise you  
to refund amount of £3.2.0d to  
remitter.

The amount due to deceased's  
estate on account of Pay and  
Allowances is correctly £1.5.2d  
as the remittance of £3.2.0d  
was not included in the account  
forwarded to you please.

Major,  
Chief Staff Officer (London).

Cables and telegrams :  
"SYNOPTICAL" London.

Telephone :  
VICTORIA 147.

Communications to be addressed for the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/O RECORDS,  
and the following No. quoted :

N. F. P/38.

**ORIGINAL**

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

## MEMORANDUM.

No. 18561/546/Ests. (1853)

From  
**PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,**  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.

To  
The Hon. the Minister of  
Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

FM/WF 14th, October 1918.

### SUBJECT :

1853, PTE. A. HANCOCK,  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Reference Nos.

### REPLY

Dated Nov. 25th, 1918 191

Please return **ORIGINAL** and retain **DUPLICATE.**

With reference to the following letter from Mr. William Hancock, St. Anthony, N.E. Coast, Newfoundland, 2/9/18 (8468): An

"On March 10th. 1918 my son  
"Pte. A. Hancock No. 1853 was  
"killed in action somewhere  
"in France. Before leaving  
"England for the Front he left  
"the sum of \$20.00 in care  
"of the Pay & Record Office  
"London to be returned home in  
"case anything should happen  
"him. I have the letter which  
"contains the particulars of  
"this money which he sent me  
"on his arrival in France. I  
"should be very glad if you will  
"try and investigate the matter  
"and have the money sent to me.

An amount of £4. 2. 0  
was received from you 29/11/17.  
Part of this amount, £1. 0. 0  
was paid Pte. Hancock, 5/1/18,  
leaving a balance of £3. 2. 0  
which has now been placed to the  
credit of deceased Soldier's  
Estate.

Non-effective account  
will be forwarded to you  
shortly.

*M. J. D. Dinnard* Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

*The Ambassador has not  
been quoted to the Soldiers  
etc, please,*

This is not in accordance  
with your telegram of Nov. 9th.  
No. 589, which states "you can pay"  
(having reference to the unpaid  
balance of our telegraphic  
remittance of 29/11/17).

On receipt of this telegram  
we sent cheque for the unpaid bal  
balance to the remitter.

It now appears that the sum  
of £3.2.0 has been credited in  
the soldier's non-effective  
account, and the balance due by the  
paymaster is only £1.5.2.

The account should show a  
debit balance of £1.16.10.

*J. P. Dinnard*

Minister of Militia.

10596

ACK <sup>T</sup> dated	/ /	No. IN
Received	/ /	
REPLY dated	/ /	
Received	/ /	
LAST Ref No.		
NEXT " "		

16561/546/Ests.

The Hon. the Minister of  
Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

F/WF 14th, October 1918

Nov. 25/18

1853, PTE. A. HANCOCK,  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

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"killed in action somewhere  
"in France. Before leaving  
"England for the Front he left  
"the sum of \$20.00 in care  
"of the Pay & Record Office  
"London to be returned home in  
"case anything should happen  
"him. I have the letter which  
"contains the particulars of  
"this money which he sent me  
"on his arrival in France. I  
"should be very glad if you will  
"try and investigate the matter  
"and have the money sent to me.

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was received from you 29/11/17.  
Part of this amount, £1. 0. 0  
was paid Pte. Hancock, 5/1/18,  
leaving a balance of £3. 2. 0  
which has now been placed to the  
credit of deceased Soldier's  
Estate.

Non-effective account  
will be forwarded to you  
shortly.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

This is not in accordance with your telegram of Nov. 9th, No. 589, which states "you can pay" (having reference to the unpaid balance of our telegraphic remittance of 29/11/17)

On receipt of this telegram we sent cheque for the unpaid balance to the remitter.

It now appears that the sum of £3:2:0 has been credited to the soldiers non-effective account, and the balance due by the paymaster is only £1:5:2.

The account should show a debit balance of £1:16:10.

(sd) J. R. Bennett,  
Minister of Militia.

10596

17/12/18.



ACK <sup>d</sup> dated	//	//	No. <u>111</u>
Received	//	//	
REPLY dated	//	//	
Received	//	//	
LAST Ref No. <u>546</u>			
NEXT " " <u>644</u>			

18929/609/P&A

The Hon. the Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

FM/MN. 20th. November, 1918.

Jan. 20/19

1853. PTE. A. HANCOCK, (DECEASED.)

Noted, please.

With reference to  
exchange of telegrams,-

Amount repaid to  
remitter 9/11/18.

(1)  
"Received 7/11/18 (9605):  
"Synoptical, London."

"With ref. my telegram 28 Nov-1917-  
"1853- Hancock- £4:2:0- sender-  
"states that- amount- has not been  
"paid- requests refund- shall we  
"pay- fullstop-  
"Military."

(sd) J. R. Bennett,  
Minister of Militia.

(2)  
"Despatched 8/11/18 (1345):  
"Military, St. John's."

1286

10/2/19

"Reference your telegram 8th  
"November- 1853- Hancock- £1:0:0-  
"was paid- January 5- you can pay-  
"£3:2:0-  
"Synoptical."

As it is understood  
that the balance of £3:2:0 due to  
the deceased Soldier will be  
refunded to remitter this amount  
has been credited to you in  
telegraphic remittance account,  
please.

Major.  
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Rcda.

15/281

N.F.P.80

RECORDS,  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W. 1,  
ENGLAND.

RECORDED & INDEXED IN RECORDS  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
28 VICTORIA STREET  
LONDON S.W. 1  
ENGLAND

Officer Commanding  
1st Newfoundland Regt

B. E. F.

O. C. 1st Newfoundland  
Regt.  
Pay & Record Office

29/12/17

Pay & Record Office

21st December 1917

Please forward £1:0:0  
to Pte. Hancock and place  
balance to credit of his  
account.

1853, Pte. A. Hancock.

With reference to the following  
telegram (7263), from the  
Hon. the Minister of Militia  
received 29/11/17

A.E. Bernard, Major,  
for LT.COL

Commanding 1st Newfoundland R

Pay to 1853, Hancock £4:2:0

Kindly advise whether this  
amount should be remitted to you  
or payment to this Soldier or  
retained for Credit of his account.

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

1164/P&A

185/10281

PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS,  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W. 4.  
ENGLAND.

Officer Commanding,  
1st Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regt  
B. E. F.

Pay & Record Office,

23rd January 1918

Reference Reverse: The  
Credit Lyonais have been re-  
quested to remit the equivalent  
of the amount stated to you  
for payment to Pte. Hancock.

Kindly obtain the Soldier's  
receipt hereon.

Major  
Chief Paymaster & O.I/c Records

/JS

*[Faint, mostly illegible text and markings on the right side of the document, including a large handwritten mark resembling '1/2' or '1/3' and some scribbles.]*

Cablegram NO  
1263.

Postal Draft  
No 1 028250

P.81  
~~1.10.17~~



B.E.P.  
5.12.17

The Paymaster,  
London, S.W.

1853, Hancock, A. reference attached.

This man is not on the strength of the 2nd Battalion,  
please.

H.F. 2-

29/11/17

14215/281

J.E.M. Int Captain  
for

Ayr, N.B.

18-12-17.

LIEUT. COLONEL  
COMMANDING 2nd BN. NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.

DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY  
4. NOV 1918  
Posted.....

C.R. 1853



18561/546/Ests.

The Hon. the Minister of  
Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

F/WF 14th, October 1918

Nov. 27th., 1918.

1853, PTE. A. HANCOCK,  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

With reference to the following letter from Mr. William Hancock, St. Anthony, N.E. Coast, Newfoundland, 2/9/18 (8488): An

This is not in accordance with your telegram of November, 9th. No. 569 which states, "you can pay" (having reference to the unpaid balance of our telegraphic remittance of 29/11/17).

"On March 10th. 1918 my son  
"Pte. A. Hancock No. 1853 was  
"killed in action somewhere  
"in France. Before leaving  
"England for the Front he left  
"the sum of £20.00 in care  
"of the Pay & Record Office  
"London to be returned home in  
"case anything should happen  
"him. I have the letter which  
"contains the particulars of  
"this money which he sent me  
"on his arrival in France. I  
"should be very glad if you will  
"try and investigate the matter  
"and have the money sent to me.

On receipt of this telegram we sent cheque for the unpaid balance to the remitter.

It now appears that the sum of £2.3.0 has been credited in the soldier's non-effective account, and the balance due by the paymaster is only £1.5.2.

An amount of £4. 2. 0 was received from you 29/11/17. Part of this amount, £1. 0. 0 was paid Pte. Hancock, 5/1/18, leaving a balance of £3. 2. 0 which has now been placed to the credit of deceased Soldier's Estate.

The account should show a debit balance of £1.16.10.

Non-effective account will be forwarded to you shortly.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

*J.P.B. Smith*  
Minister of Militia

(1853)

Cables and Telegrams :  
"SYNOPTICAL," London.

Telephone :  
VICTORIA 147.

Communications to be addressed to the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/O RECORDS,  
and the following No. quoted :

N. F. P/36.

**ORIGINAL**

**NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.**

**MEMORANDUM.**

No. 18929/609/P&A

C.R. 1853

From  
**PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,**  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.

To  
The Hon. the Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

20th. November, 1918..

FM/MN.

**SUBJECT :**

1853. PTE. A. HANCOCK, (DECEASED.)

Reference Nos.

**REPLY**

Dated **January 20th, 1919** 191

Please return **ORIGINAL** and retain **DUPLICATE.**

With reference to  
exchange of telegrams,-

(1)

"Received 7/11/18 (9605):  
"Synoptical, London.

"With ref. my telegram 28 Nov- 1917-  
"1853- Hancock- £4:2:0- sender-  
"states that- amount- has not been  
"paid- requests refund- shall we  
"pay- fullstop-  
Military."

(2)

"Despatched 8/11/18 (1345):  
"Military, St. John's.

"Reference your telegram 6th  
"November- 1853- Hancock- £1:0:0-  
"was paid- January 5- you can pay-  
£3:2:0-  
Synoptical."

As it is understood  
that the balance of £3:2:0 due to  
the deceased Soldier will be  
refunded to remitter this amount  
has been credited to you in  
telegraphic remittance account,  
please.

*H. A. Winwood*  
Major.  
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Rcds.

*Adj. Pro. Sec. Militia.*  
*[Signature]*

Noted, please.

Amount repaid to remitter,  
9/11/18.

*J. P. Bennett*

Minister of Militia.

Hancock, Albert

1853

Sept

ORIGINAL

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps Royal Newfoundland Regt.

No. 1853 Rank Private

Name Hancock, A.

Died (a) Intestate at France

on the 10th 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 ....10-3-18.....	1	5	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	1	5	2	Balance due to the Paymaster .....				
		£	1	5		£	1	5	2

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to 15/10/18 and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

CHECKED.

9/6  
15/10/18

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

debtor balance of £

is correctly chargeable against the Payroll.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Dated at this day of

15

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
58, VICTORIA ST.  
LONDON, S.W. 1  
15 OCT 1918

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CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS  
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.



ORIGINAL

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to

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NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

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		£	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 .....				
	"				Savings Bank balance, including st (if no balance, to be so stated)				
	Consolidated				Pay or Gratuity .....				
	Balance due by the Paymaster	1	5	2	Balance due to the Paymaster .....				
		£				£	1	5	2

CHECKED, 9/16 15/10/18

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

debtor balance of £

is correctly chargeable against the Payroll.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Dated at

this

day

15 OCT 1918

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CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS.

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(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 Royal Newfoundland Regt.

No. 1853 Rank Private Name Hancock, A.

Died(a) Intestate at France on the 10th 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 ... 10-3-18 .....	1	5	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	1	5	2	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£	1	5		£	1	5

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to 15/10/18 and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

CHECKED.

9/6  
15/10/18

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

Dated at this day of

15

OCT 1918

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CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS

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DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to 191 Voucher No.

~~Wasted~~  
NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps **Royal Newfoundland Regt.**  
 No. **1853** Rank **Private** Name **Hancock, A.**  
 Died<sup>(a)</sup> **Intestate** at **France** on the **10th** 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 <b>10-3-18</b> .....	1	5	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	1	5	2	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
	£	1	5	2	£	1	5	2

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CHECKED.

*96*  
15/10/18

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 1 5 2 is ~~correctly chargeable against the~~ NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Dated at

this

day of

15 OCT 1918

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CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS.

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DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.

~~Posted~~  
**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps **Royal Newfoundland Regt.**

No. **1853**

Rank **Private**

Name **Hancock, A.**

Died (a) **Intestate** at **France**

on the **10th** of **March** 191 **8.**

Deserted at

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{ *Commanding Squadron, Troop,  
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	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	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£				<b>£</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
			<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>				<b>2</b>

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to **15/10/18** and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

CHECKED.

*H.C.*  
15/10/18

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

Dated at

this

day of

**15 OCT 1918**

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*A.D. Minnall Paymaster*  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS.

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DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to 191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps Royal Newfoundland Regt.

No. 1853 Rank Private Name Hancock, A.

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	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 .....				
"					of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)				
	Cor				Pay or Gratuity .....				
	Balance due by the Paymaster	1	5	2	Balance due to the Paymaster .....				
		£	1	5		£	1	5	2

CHECKED.

15/10/18

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

15 OCT 1918

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CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS.

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with reference to the attached

Amount refunded to sender Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 18

Cables and Telegrams :  
"SYNOPTICAL," London.

Telephone :  
VICTORIA 147.

Communications to be addressed to the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/O RECORDS,  
and the following No. quoted :

N. F. P/38A.

DUPLICATE.

## NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

### MEMORANDUM.

No. ~~20150/609/P&A.~~

From

PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,

58, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

To

The Hon. the Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

FM/MN.

11th. December, 1918.

SUBJECT :

1853. PRIVATE. A. HANGCOCK.  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.

Reference Nos. 16561/546/Ests.  
18929/609/P&A.

REPLY

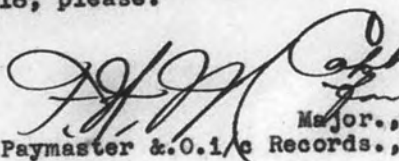
Dated

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Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE.

With reference to the above  
quoted numbers.

In view of your telegram  
7/11/18, the amount was  
transferred to Headquarters  
Telegraphic Remittance Account  
as stated in this Office  
memorandum No. 18929/609/P&A,  
20/11/18, please.

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

Cables and Telegrams :  
"SYNOPTICAL," London.

Telephone :  
VICTORIA 147.

Communications to be addressed to the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/O RECORDS,  
and the following No. quoted :

N. F. P/38.

ORIGINAL

## NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

### MEMORANDUM.

No. 20430/644/P&A.

From  
**PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,**  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.

To  
The Hon. the Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

FM/MN. 11th. December, 1918.

**SUBJECT :**

1853. PRIVATE. A. HANCOCK.  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.

Reference Nos. 16561/546/Ests.  
18929/609/P&A.

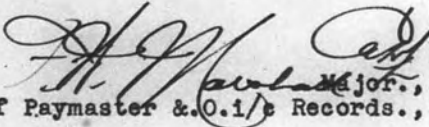
**REPLY**

Dated 191

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memorandum No. 18929/609/P&A,  
20/11/18, please.

  
Chief Paymaster & O.I./c Records.,



ENCLOSURE

No. 17538/178

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

N.F.P/55.

Pay & Record Office,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W.,

To: Hon. the Minister of Militia,

St. John's,

30th October 1918

Newfoundland.

Reference: This Office No.16561/546/Ests, 14/10/18.

Herewith Non-effective account of, 1853, Pte. A. Hancock, deceased.

Please acknowledge receipt hereon.

(Sig.) \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

*A. A. Minshall*  
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

No. 17538/178

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY



Pay & Record Office,

Posted 4 - NOV 1918  
Victoria Street,  
London, S.W.

To: Hon. the Minister of Militia,

St. John's,

30th October 1918

Newfoundland.

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Please acknowledge receipt hereon.

(Sig.) \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

FIELD SERVICE.

**DUPLICATE.**  
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 } Royal Newfoundland. Squadron, Troop, }  
OR CORPS } Battery or Company } B. Co.

Regimental No. 1853. Rank Private.

Surname Hancock. Christian Names A.

Died { Date 10-3-18. Place France or Belgium.

{ Cause of Death\* Killed in Action.



Nature and Date of Report B 213 d/11/3-18.

By whom made O.C. Unit.

\* 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.

Station and Date } G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon. Signature of Officer in charge of Section } A.T. Boyd Lieut. for  
Date } 15-3-18. Adjutant-General's Office at the Base }

MAJOR  
G.I/c No. 1 Infantry Section  
G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon

St Anthony

May 16<sup>th</sup> 1919

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To The Minister Militia  
St John's.

Dear Sir:-

I now write to  
enquire of No 1853  
Pte Albert Hanesock's  
money which I think  
should be coming to me  
I havent received any  
money since he went  
away with the exception  
of his allotment of  
\$21.70. per month. I think  
I should be receiving the  
remainder. He was  
killed in action March  
10<sup>th</sup> 1918. Since then I

Allotment for  
passed to Arthur apud  
July 6/19  
J.P.

I am.

yours very truly

W<sup>m</sup> Hancock

per W. J. Hiscock,  
C. E. Teacher.

expected to receive his full share of money. Where is this money gone? Why is it not coming? I think as far as I can learn. Other people who had sons killed have received their full shares. Why cannot I receive it too? Is there any legal reason why it is detained? If not I hope to receive fair play; But if there is any reason please let me know. I am only a poor man and I gave my all for King & Country.

Hoping this will receive your strict attention.

DEPARTMENT.....  
 Reference No.....  
 Date Rec'd. DEC 29 1915  
 " Ack'd. [Signature]  
 " Ans'd. [Signature]  
 File Dept. Paymaster

1853

St Anthony.

Dec 22 1915

Dear Sir.

Money received today. I want to know what time Albert's Pay went on. How much is he getting a day.

I received a letter from the same and he told me he was leaving seventy cents a day for me. Please send all particulars.

yours truly  
 Wm Hancock.

70¢ day. Oct. 29

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

## MEMORANDUM.

No. 10055/515/P&A.

From  
PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

To The Minister of Militia  
St. John's

Newfoundland

FM/BC

July 30th 1918

**SUBJECT :**

1855 PTE. A. HANCOCK. DECEASED.

Reference Nos 16561/546/Ests 14/10/18  
18929/609/P&A 20/11/18

**REPLY**

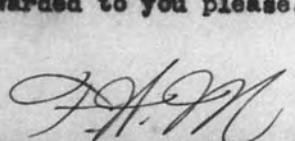
Dated 1918

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE.

With reference to the  
above quoted memoranda :

When on receipt of your  
telegram 7/11/18 it was found that  
the amount had not been credited  
to Deceased's estate as intended,  
it was decided to advise you  
to refund amount of £3.2.0d to  
remitter.

The amount due to deceased's  
estate on account of Pay and  
Allowances is correctly £1.5.2d  
as the remittance of £3.2.0d  
was not included in the account  
forwarded to you please.

  
Major,  
Chief Staff Officer (London).

Fold Here

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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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Fold Here



Sept. 3 1921.

The accompanying **Victory Medal** and/or **British War Medal**

is/are forwarded herewith to

Mr. Wm. Hancock (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 1853 Rank Pte.

Name Albert Hancock (D) <sup>Royal Nfld. Regt.</sup>  
~~Nfld. Forestry Corps.~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received

Mudles Sept-17<sup>th</sup>

Signature

Wm. Hancock

Date

Sept-17<sup>th</sup>  
1, 1921

Address

51-Antony St. Nfld.

[P.T.O.]

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.

..... 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 1853 Rank Private

Name Albert Hancock  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Mr Wm Hancock.....(Sgd.)

Father..... Relationship.

Address St. Anthony Rfld



# Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

W. P. Griffith & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4.  
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Forms  
B. 121.  
39.

Regiment of 1<sup>st</sup> Newfoundland

Number of Sheet 7

Signature of O. C. Company James White

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay	
No.	<u>A. Hancock</u>	Age on	<u>18</u> years <u>3</u> months	<u>Fisherman</u>		
Joined _____ Date _____		Place and Date of Enlistment	<u>St John's</u> <u>Sept. 28 1915</u>	Religion		
Joined _____ Date _____		Period of	<u>2</u> <sup>16</sup> / <sub>4</sub> years. <u>2</u> <sup>3</sup> / <sub>6</sub> years.	Place of Birth		
Joined _____ Date _____			<u>St Anthony</u>			

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
	<u>12/1/17</u>			<u>Killed in Action</u>	<u>10</u> <sup><u>3</u></sup> / <sub><u>18</u></sub>				
To be carried over									

Army Form B. 121.

C.R. 1853

FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

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Regimental No. 1853. Rank Private.

Surname Hancock. Christian Names A.

Died { Date 10-3-18. Place France or Belgium.

{ Cause of Death\* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report B 213 d/11/3-18.

By whom made O.C. Unit.

\* 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.  
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Station and Date } G.H.Q., 3rd. Echelon } Signature of Officer in charge of Section } G.T. Hoy } Lieut. for  
Date } 15-3-18. } Adjutant-General's Office at the Base }

MAJOR

St. Anthony  
Mar 22<sup>nd</sup> 1920

C.R. 1853

Lieut-Col. W. Rendall,  
Chief Staff Officer.

Dear Sir,

I received the  
memorial Scroll so kindly  
sent by you & Thanking  
you for kindness

Yours sincerely

Mr. William Hancock.

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

1203

Regiment or Corps 21<sup>st</sup> Wild. Regt Regimental Number GR 1853  
 Rank Pte Surname Price Christian Name Albert  
 Religion Ch of England Age on Enlistment 18 years 3 months.  
 Enlisted (a) Sep 28/15 Terms of Service (a) Duration Service reckons from (a) June 19/16  
 Date of promotion to present rank \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment to lance rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extended { \_\_\_\_\_ } Re-engaged { June 19/16 } 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>Southern</u>		<u>25.6.16</u>
		Disembarked...	<u>London</u>		<u>25.6.16</u>
		Joined Battalion		<u>12 JUL 1916</u>	
				<u>With BATT. 28.1.17</u>	
	<u>6C. Unit</u>	<u>Wounded in Action</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>2/3/17</u>	<u>B213</u>
	<u>2 1/2 Co C.C.S.</u>	<u>Adm Gen. Highs Leg. British</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>2/3/17</u>	<u>GD 889</u>
	<u>"Essentially pl."</u>	<u>Invalided to England</u>		<u>6.3.17</u>	<u>W 3053</u>
		<u>ca 9 S. Hosp, Rouen</u>			
			<u>1st Banchell</u>		<u>CAPTAIN.</u>
					<u>for Officer i/c No. 1 Regular Infantry Section</u>
					<u>General Headquarters, 3rd Echelon.</u>

*Int*

(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, Shoemaking, &c.

**Casualty Form—Active Service,**

Regiment or Corps Newfoundland

Rank Private Surname Hancock Christian Name Albert

Religion Church of England Age on Enlistment 18 years 3 months

Enlisted (a) St. John's Terms of Service (a) Duration Service reckons from (a) 28/9/15

Date of promotion to present rank ✓ Date of appointment to lance rank ✓

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

Occupation Fisherman F. Seymour Lieut. Signature of Officer.

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 5-12-17</u>		
			Disembarked <u>Rouen 7-12-17</u>		
<u>29<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>88 Bn</u>	<u>Joined 88 Bn</u>		<u>12-12-17</u>	<u>B.213</u>
<u>11/3/18</u>	<u>- DO -</u>	<u>Killed in action</u>	<u>30-12-17</u>	<u>10-3-18</u>	<u>B.213</u>



A.T. Roy Lieut for Major,  
Officer i/c No. 1 Infantry Section.

*[Handwritten signature]*

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(b) Signaller, Shoeing-Smith, &c.