



# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 1424 Name Chas. Hobbs Corps C Co

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

1. What is your name? ..... Chas Hobbs
2. What is your full Address? ..... } 21 Ruelle B Bay
3. Are you a British Subject? ..... 3. Yes
4. What is your age? ..... 4. 24 Years ..... Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ..... 5. fisherman
6. Are you Married? ..... 6. no
7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,\* which? } 7. no
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? ..... } 8. yes
9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? ..... } 9. yes
10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you?..... } 10. Name ..... Corps .....
11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? ..... } 11. yes

I, Chas Hobbs 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.

Chas Hobbs SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
George C Turner Signature of Witness.

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

I, Chas Hobbs 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 31 day of Dec 1915.  
W. H. [Signature] Signature of Attesting Officer

### †CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the ..... If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date 31 Dec 1915 ..... } Approving Officer.  
 Place [Signature] .....

† The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Recruit.  
 ‡ Here insert the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

\* If so, Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former service, and to produce, if possible, his Certificate of Discharge and Certificate of Character, which should be returned to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink, as follows, viz:—(Name) ..... re-enlisted in the (Regiment) ..... on the (Date) .....

# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT

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

Name Charles Hobbs  
 Apparent age 24 years 7 months. Height 5 feet 9 inches  
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 35 1/2 inches  
 Range of expansion 4 1/2 inches  
 Distinctive marks \_\_\_\_\_

## INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin John Hobbs  
Redcliffe B Bq | Relationship father  
 Particulars as to Marriage

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

### Particulars as to Children

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth

## STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or Depot	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from _____									
Joined at _____ on _____									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Total Service towards Engagement to \_\_\_\_\_ (date of discharge) \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ days  
 " " Pensions " [ " " ] " " " " )



**FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT**

**ATTESTATION OF**

4284

No. 4284 Name Chas Hobbs. Corps CofE

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

1. What is your name? Chas Hobbs.
2. What is your full Address? Redcliffe B. Bay
3. Are you a British Subject? Yes
4. What is your age? 24 Years 7 Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? fisherman
6. Are you Married? No
7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,\* which? No
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? Yes
9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? Yes
10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? 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? Yes

I, Chas Hobbs. 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.

Charles Hobbs SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
Frank C. Turvey Signature of Witness.

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**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 Redcliffe on this 31 day of Dec 1917  
W. H. [Signature] Signature of Attesting Officer

**†CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.**

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the rank of Private if enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.  
 Date Dec 31 1917  
 Place St. John's } Approving Officer.

† The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Recruit.  
 ‡ Here insert the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

\* If so, Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former service, and to produce, if possible, his Certificate of Discharge and Certificate of Character, which should be returned to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink, as follows, viz:—(Name).....re-enlisted in the (Regiment).....on the (Date).....

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Redcliffe B. Boy | 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

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					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>31-12-17</u>									
Joined at <u>St John's</u> on <u>December 31-1917</u> .									
<u>Engaged to St John's St. Houghton to Halifax, N.S. 29/18</u>									
<u>Embarked for B.C. 2-7-18. Disembarked France 5-7-18.</u>									
<u>Joined Battle in the field 9-7-18</u>									
<u>Killed in Action</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Total Service towards Engagement to 20-10-18 (date of discharge) 294 days  
 " " Pensions " [ " " ] " " "

Reg. No. 4284 Rank Plt. Name Hobbs, J.

Attested 3/12/17 Address Redcliffe B. Bay

Allotment \_\_\_\_\_ Allottee \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Allotment \_\_\_\_\_ Returned from Overseas \_\_\_\_\_

Embarked for Overseas \_\_\_\_\_ Cause \_\_\_\_\_

2/1/18	vac.	
	N Leave 17 1/8 to 28 1/8	

C.R. 4284

Extract from casualties from Pay & Record Office, London  
dated 19/5/19.

Previously reported wounded and missing 25/10/18, now  
PRESUMED DEAD, 17/5/19, thirty weeks having elapsed:

4284 Pte. C. Hobbs.

Authority:

Officer i/c Records, Nfld. Contingent.

C.R. 4284

Extract from telegram from Synoptical, London to Military.

Dated May 17th 1919.

Previously reported wounded and missing Oct. 25th now presumed dead #4284, Hobbs.

R 4284  
The Carriage  
King's Coon

Jan'y 21st 1919

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To Lieut. Col. W. W. Reeder  
Chief Staff Officer.

1st Royal Newfoundland Regt  
St. John's.

Dear Colonel.

I thank you very much  
for your letter of 6th inst. CR 4284  
re. information concerning  
death of Private Charles Hobbs.  
I have seen the family & told them  
the latest news concerning him  
& the father would like me to write  
Private Ralph No. 3808 mentioned  
in your letter.

Therefore could you kindly let me  
have his address? so that I  
might correspond with him  
& oblige

Yours faithfully,  
S. A. Dawson.

3808 pte Ralph with 1st Batt.



## NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

*Dept of Militia.*

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated **John Hobbs, Redcliffe, B.B.**

To **Jan 9th 1919**

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London,  
officially reports **No. 4284, Private Charles Hobbs**  
**previously reported wounded and missing Oct. 20th**  
**now reported presumed killed in action Oct. 20th**

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

**J.R. Bennett**

**Chge Dept of Militia.**

Minister of Militia.

**FOR TYPEWRITER**

C.R. 4284

Jan. 6th, 1919

Rev. S.A. Dawson

"The Parsonage"

King's Cove

Rev. & Dear Sir:-

With further reference to your letter of Dec. 26th concerning No. 4284, Private Charles Hobbs, and our reply of Dec. 7th stating that we would prosecute enquiries to ascertain some definite information regarding this soldier, I have the honour to inform you that a message has been received from the Record Office, London which states that No. 3808, Private Ralph was interviewed and states he saw No. 4284, Pte. Charles Hobbs wounded in the side by two machine gun bullets, and subsequently by sniper bullets. Ralph stated that when he left Hobbs was dead.

Will you kindly forward this information to the next of kin of Private Hobbs.

Yours faithfully

Lieut. Col.,

CR 4284

Extract from telegrams received from Synoptical London,  
Jan.4th, 1919.

In answer to your telegram Dec.6th  
Cpl. 3808 Ralph states he saw 4284 Hobbs wounded in the  
Side by two Machine gun bullet~~s~~ and subsequently by  
snipers bullet~~s~~ Ralph states he left Hobbs dead.

C.P. & O.i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent.

O.C. 1st Bn.

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

Chief Paymaster.

Dec. 27th 1918.

Pay & Record Office.

11th December, 8.

<sup>4</sup>  
4284 PTE. C. HOBBS.

I am requested by the  
Minister of Militia by  
telegram dated 6/12/18  
[10577] to ascertain if  
it is possible to state  
the circumstances under  
which the above-named man  
was reported "Wounded &  
Missing" on 20/10/18.

Information has been  
obtained from 3808 Corp. Ralph  
who was in the same Company as  
Pte. Hobbs that he was quite  
close to the latter when he was  
wounded. Pte. Hobbs was struck  
in the side by two machine gun  
bullets about 3.30 p.m. on Oct.  
20th during the advance of his  
company in the attack after the  
crossing of the LYS. Corp.  
Ralph states he was not killed  
outright, but that about five  
minutes later he was hit again  
by a sniper and when he left him  
Pte. Hobbs was dead. This is  
all the information that is  
available.

Major,

Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

(Sgd) T.G. MATHIAS, Lt. Col

HA/NV

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2/1/18

As telegraphed 3-1-19.

The Parsonage  
King's Court  
Decr. 26<sup>th</sup> 1918

To The Hon.

The Minister of Militia

S<sup>t</sup>. John's R. 4284

Dear Sir.

Private news has reached

here that Pte Charles Hobbs - Redcliffe  
B. B. Officially reported as wounded  
<sup>Nov 26th last</sup> & missing. Oct 26: ~~he~~ was

buried by a soldier at the  
front. This is stated by a  
soldier now on active service  
I don't care to hold a Memorial  
Service for him, until there is  
more definite & official news.

I should be glad if you could  
assist in enquiry, particularly

The soldier who reports this  
is Private Frederick Curtis  
of King's Court now in France

I remain

Yours faithfully,

S. A. Dawson.

C.R. 4284

Extract from telegram from Synoptical, dated Mex. Dec. 9th., 1918

IN ANSWER YOUR TELEGRAM DEC. 6th., NO FURTHER PARTICULARS  
OF 4284 HOBBS INQUIRIES BEING MADE.

BC.

C.R. 4284

Dec. 7th 18

Rev. S.A. Dawson,  
"The Parsonage"  
King's Cove

Rev. & Dear Sir:- Re 4284, Pte. Charles Hobbs

Your letter addressed to the  
Minister of Militia has been passed to me for action;  
and I beg to inform you in reply that we have communicated  
with the Military authorities in the United Kingdom,  
instructing them to have enquiries set on foot to  
ascertain particulars concerning the above mentioned  
soldier. You will again be notified when reply  
is received.

Yours faithfully,

  
Lieut.

Casualty Officer.

C.R. 4284

Extract from telegrams to Synoptical London. Dec.6th.  
1918.

Particulars of 4284 Charles Hobbs reported wounded  
& Missing Oct.20th.



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

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

*Dated*

**Nov. 23rd, 1918**

*To*

**John Hobbs, Redcliffe, B.B.**

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London,  
officially reports **No. 4284, Pte. Charles Hobbs**  
**wounded and missing October 20th**

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

**J.R. Bennett**

Minister of Militia.

**Chge Dept of Militia.**

**FOR TYPEWRITER**

C.R. 4284

Extract from telegram from Synoptical dated Nov. 23rd. 1918.

#4284 Hobbs.

Reported Wounded and Missing Oct. 30th.,

BC.

C.R. 4284

Extract from CASUALTIES C.1749. 18/11/18. Dated 22 Nov. 1918.

4284 Pte. C. Hobbs

Wd. & Missing 20/10/18.

Authority ; O.C. Bn. 23/10/18.

C.R. 4284

Extract of DAILY ORDERS, PART II, Royal Newfoundland  
Regiment in France, dated 21/11/18.

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"FOUNDED & MISSING"

20/10/18.

#4284 Pte. D. Hobbs.

C.R. 4284

Extract from Nominal Roll to B.E.F. embarked Folkestone  
2-7-18.

#4284 Pte.C.Hobbs.

C.R. 4284

Extract from Nominal Roll Draft "H" Company Embarked  
U.S. Marine. Jan. 29th, 1918.

4284 Pte. Hobbs G.

Extract of Daily Orders part 11, from Unit Royal  
4/1st Newfoundland Regiment. dated January 2, 1918.

#4284 Pte. C. Hobbs.

tested for General Service with the 1st Newfoundland Regiment posted to H. Coy and given numbers as shown, with effect from December 31, 1917.

C. Hobbs

428 4.

P. P. O.



FORM K

No 3871

4 1ST. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT /

## ALLOTMENTS

I, Charles Hobbs, Regl. No. 4284

hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official form to make an Allotment of  
Dollars and Fifty Cents, per diem, from my Pay,  
to, and for the benefit of the undermentioned Person <sup>and</sup> <sub>of</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.:

Allotment begins February 1st 1918

Identity Certificate No.	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative or Friend	NAME (in full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
3819	Father	John Hobbs	Red Cliff, B.H.	50
			Total Allotment, \$	

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

Sig.)

Officer Commanding  
H Company

(S)

Charles Hobbs

(Rank)

Private

St John's

a  
January 28 1918

No. 9688/915

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

047671 N.F.P./73.

From  
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Record  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W. 1

To  
Officer Commanding,  
2/Bn Royal Nfld. Regt  
Winchester.

*JRB*

~~Subject:~~ 18th June 1918

June 27 1918

Subject: 4284, Pte. C. Hobbs,

With reference to the following telegram (5433) from the Hon Minister of Militia, received

Pay to 4284 Hobbs 6:3:0

Draft £6:3:0 is enclosed for payment to this Soldier.

Kindly obtain his receipt hereon.

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

Receipt hereon.

*Okam*  
LIEUT. COLONEL  
COMMANDING 2ND BN. ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.  
1st Newfoundland Regiment

Received the sum of Six

Guano & P. S. Shillington on account of  
cable remittance from Newfoundland.

Charles Hobbs  
Witness No. 4284 Rank Sergeant

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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Hobbs OF Christian Name Charles

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Red Cliff b. Bay County Nfld

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	on	day of	on	day of
Examined	31 <sup>st</sup>	Dec	1917	191
	at St. John's		at	
Declared Age	34	years	7	months
Trade or Occupation	Fisherman			
Height	5	feet	9	inches
Weight			135	lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded		35 $\frac{1}{2}$	inches
	Range of Expansion		4 $\frac{1}{2}$	inches
Physical Development	Right	Left	Right	Left
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R.E.—V=	6/6	R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V=	1/2	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)	L. M. Patterson			
(Rank)	Major			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at	St. John's	at	
	on	31 <sup>st</sup> day of Dec	on	day of 1917
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.		Corps.	Regtl. No.
Transferred to	Royal 44th Regt. 428d			
Became non-effective by	on	day of	on	day of
		191		191
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

Table II.—Only for admission to hospital or to the sick list

Name of Hospital	Admitted to Hospital			Discharged from Hospital			Disease	Number Days in Hospital	Remarks bearing on typhoid, admissions and of treatment
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year			
<i>Hazeley Down</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>MAY</i>	<i>1918</i>	<i>Mumps</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Recovered</i>

itor to the sick list in case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.

Remarks bearing on the cause, nature or treatment of the case likely to be of interest or of future use. In case of syphilis, admissions and re-admissions to hospital will be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars of treatment out of hospital, transfers, etc., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.

Signature of Medical Officer

*Returned to charge to duty*

*H. E. Lawson Capt RMC*



**FORM K**

Nº 3871 <sup>A</sup>



**4 1ST. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT /**

**ALLOTMENTS**

I, Charles Hobbs, Regl. No. 4284  
 hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official form to make an Allotment of  
                     Dollars and fifty Cents, per diem, from my Pay,  
 to, and for the benefit of the undermentioned Person <sup>and</sup> 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.:

Allotment begins February 1st 1918

Identity Certificate No.	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative or Friend	NAME (in full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
3819	Father	John Hobbs	Redcliff, B.B.	50
			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. [Signature]  
 Officer Commanding  
 H Company  
St. John's,  
Jan'y 28<sup>a</sup> 1918.

(Sig.) Charles Hobbs  
 (Rank) Private

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TO, - The Chief Quartermaster,  
Royal Newfoundland Regiment,  
58 Victoria Street,  
London, S.W.

Sir:-  
Please charge the amounts set opposite my name to my account and  
pay it to the N.W.C.A. "Prisoners of War Fund" in quarterly instalments  
for the period of one year.  
Commencing on the 1st July 1918.

Regtl. No.	Rank	Name	Amount	Signature:
4284	Pte	Hobbs. C.	\$2.50	

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
~~for the Committee~~  
Your obedient servant.

Date

29-6-18.

C. Hobbs



0448/657/R. & <sup>Forms</sup>

C. 348

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Copy to *Neoph* Army Form C. 348.

4-1-19  
*JMG*

MEMORANDUM.

From CWP & O. i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent.

From O.C. 1st Bn. Royal  
Newfoundland Regt.

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

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

ANSWER

Pay & Record Office.

11th December, 1918.

<sup>4</sup>  
4286 PTE. C. HOBBS.

I am requested by the  
Minister of Militia by  
telegram dated 6/12/18  
[10577] to ascertain if  
it is possible to state  
the circumstances under  
which the above-named man  
was reported "Wounded &  
Missing" on 20/10/18.

*J. B. Redman*  
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

HA/NV

*Notes Ledger*

as telegraphed 3-1-19

Dec 27<sup>th</sup> 1918.

Information has been  
obtained from 3808 Corp.  
RALPH who was in the  
same company as Pte  
HOBBS that he was quite  
close to the latter when he  
was wounded. Pte HOBBS  
was struck in the side by  
two machine gun bullets  
about 3.30 p.m. on Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>  
during the advance of his  
company in the attack after  
the crossing of the S.Y.S.  
Corp RALPH states that  
he was not killed outright  
but that about five  
minutes later he was

hit again by a sniper  
and when he left  
him Pte. HORTON was  
dead. This is all the  
information that is  
available.

F. G. Matthews LTUT. COL.

**COMMANDING 1st Bn. ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT**

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE.

Ref. Nos. in 52.

Rec'd 3 - JAN 1919

Ack'd:

Ref. Nos. 001

*[Large handwritten scribble covering the bottom half of the form]*

PLA. NO.  
Comm  
P & A  
N & C  
B & E  
P.S.

EXTRACT OF TELEGRAM No. 1406 of 9/12/18 to MILITARY.

Reference your telegram 6th December- no- further particulars  
- 4284- Hobbs- enquiries being made-

SYNOPTICAL

Translation of Cable No.6. 2/1/19, to Military.

"Reference your telegram 31st Dec-1149-Frost-1643-Blake-1211-Mugford-687-Manning-BEF- 867-Manuel-Debility-slight-now<sup>a</sup>discharged from Hospital-and on-two months-furlough-2730-Callahan-being-discharged from Hospital-Jan.4th-Ref. your telegram 2nd January-3276-Johnson-4028-Healey-3153-Way-B.E.F.-3885-Cuff-10th CoWv.Depot Boulogne-Dec.10-Suffering from-Myalgia-mild-2347-Whittle-suffering from-swollen-foot<sup>a</sup>Ref. your telegram 6th Dec-C3808-Ralph-states-he-saw-4284-Hobbs-wounded-in the-side-by-two-machinegun-bullet/s-and-subsequently-by-snipers-bullet/s-Raphl-states-he-left-Hobbs-dead<sup>a</sup>With reference your telegram Dec.31st-3135-Devereaux amount-has been included-fullstop-suspend payment of-allotment of pay-December-January-1120-Fanning-"

"Synoptical"

*Spence*

Hobbs, C

4284

Aug Sept.

ORIGINAL

PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps Royal Newfoundland Regiment

No. 4284

Rank Pte

Name Hobbs.C

Died (a) Intestate at France

on the 20th of Oct

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. <del>xxxxxxx</del> 20.10.18.....	9	18	7
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to			
	£ s. d.				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to			
	191				Messing allowance days at from to			
	"				Kit allowance .....			
	"							
	"							
	Consolidated stoppage .....							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	9	18	7	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
	£	9	18	7	£	9	18	7

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

CHECKED. P.S.A. 21 JUL 1919

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, LONDON, S.W. 21 JUL 1919 PAY & RECORD OFFICE

191 CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER Paymaster

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

Dated at this day of

- (a) Here state whether the soldier died intestate, or whether he left a Will. In the latter case the Will should be annexed hereto, if not already sent to War Office with Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.
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Estate #4284 C. Hobbs.

Joseph W. Hobbs, Administrator

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
OF  
NEW JERSEY

ACCOUNT	Estate		
CH. NO.	1630	INITIALS	JWH
INV. LEDGER	68	INITIALS	JWH
PAY LEDGER		INITIALS	JWH
GEN. LEDGER		INITIALS	JWH

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH

PAY VOUCHER

RECEIVED from the Royal Newfoundland Regiment the sum of

\$ 54 <sup>92</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

JUN 23 1922

on account of

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Fifty four <sup>92</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars

on account of

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

OF

NEW JERSEY

In replying the date of this  
letter should be quoted

S/B.



June 21, 1922.

Sir:

I have the honour to forward you  
herewith original Letters of Administration  
to the estate of Charles Hobbs, #4284, a  
deceased member of the Royal Newfoundland  
Regiment. Kindly have same forwarded to the  
Administrator together with a cheque for the  
amount due.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Deputy Minister of Justice.

Major J. M. Howley, M.B.E.,  
Pay & Record Office.

June 23rd. 1922

Mr. John W. Hobbs,  
Redcliff, B.B.,

Dear Sir:-

I enclose cheque for \$54.92, the balance due by this Department to the estate of your late son, No. 4284, Pte. Charles Hobbs, payable to you as Administrator.

Letters of Administration are also enclosed.

Yours truly,

Major  
Paymaster

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

*The Royal Nfld. Regt.*

*Dept. of Militia,*

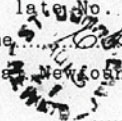
*ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.*

NO STAMP REQUIRED

Dept. of Militia,  
St. John's.

... August 12<sup>th</sup> 1921

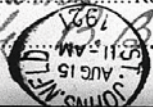
I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 4284 Rank Private  
Name Charles Hobbs  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.



John Hobbs (Sgd.)  
Father Relationship.

Address

Red Cliff





Fold Here

**ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE**

To the Officer in Charge of Records,



**Royal Nfld. Regt.**

**Dept. of Militia,**

**ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.**

Fold Here

Signature

Date

Address



SEP 6 1921 1921.

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

Mr. John Hobbs (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 4284 Rank Pte.

Name G. Hobbs Royal Nfld. Regt.  
Inf. Forestry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received

Victory Medal and British War Medal <sup>O.K.</sup>

Signature

John Hobbs

Date

Sept 20/21

Address

Redcliffe B.M.

[P.T.O.]

**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

Regiment or Corps *Royal Newfoundland* 31-5-1892  
 Rank *Private* Surname *Stobbs* Christian Name *Charles*  
 Religion *C of E* Age on Enlistment *24* years *7* months  
 Enlisted (a) *31-12-17* Terms of Service (a) *5 years* Service reckons from (a) *31-12-17*  
 Date of promotion to present rank ..... Date of appointment to lance rank .....  
 Extended  Re-engaged  Qualification (b) .....  
 Occupation *Fisherman* *W. Stobbs* Signature of Officer

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		<i>A I</i>	<i>Embarked</i>	<i>2 JUL 1918</i>	
		<i>8. 6. 18</i>	<i>Disembarked</i>	<i>5 JUL 1918</i>	
<i>23/10/18</i>	<i>W. Stobbs</i>	<i>Joined Battalion</i>	<i>Field</i>	<i>9-7-18</i>	<i>Burd 13/7/18</i>
		<i>Wounded missing</i>		<i>20/10/18</i>	<i>B 2/3</i>

*W. Stobbs*

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

NEXT OF KIN: *John Stobbs Redcliffe B. Bay Wfld*



# Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

Forms  
B 121.  
3A

Regiment of \_\_\_\_\_

*Royal Field.*

Signature of O. C. Company \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Sheets *Curry*  
*W. J. Curry*

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay						
No.		Age on	years	months		Religion					
Joined	Date	Place and Date of Enlistment				Place of Birth					
Joined	Date	Period of									
Joined	Date	with Colours									
1394	Hobbs Co.	21	7	months	Fisherman						
		21-13-17				C.P.C.					
		with Reserve		24.5 years.							
Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Breach	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS		
				<i>Missing &amp; Wounded 20<sup>th</sup> 18</i>							

To be carried over

Army Form B. 121.

C.R. 4284

Red Cliffe

Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>

J. W. F. Remdell Lieut. Col.  
St. Johns

Dear Sir

I received  
Memorial Scroll and  
King's Message accompanying  
it in first class condition,  
very recently

yours truly  
John Hobbs  
Red Cliffe