



THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 5413 Name Eliot Hobbs Corps C/B

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your name? Eliot Hobbs
2. What is your full Address? Rt 1st Regt 12 Bay
3. Are you a British Subject? yes
4. What is your age? 19 Years Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? Yatesman
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, Eliot 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.

Eliot Hobbs SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

J. Raymond Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Eliot 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 St. John's on this 24 day of May 1915.

Signature of Attesting Officer E. Dicks

†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 1st Regt.

If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date 1915 } Approving Officer.
Place

† 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.

Eliot
 Name *Joseph Hobbs*
 Apparent age *19* years *0* months Height *5* feet *5 1/2* inches
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded *33 1/2* inches
 Range of expansion *2 1/2* inches
 Distinctive marks _____

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin *Thomas Hobbs*
Red Cliff B Bay | 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 " _____ [" "] " _____



THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 5413

Name Private Hobbs

Corps CofC

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your name? 7. Private Hobbs
2. What is your full Address? 2. Rtd c/o B Bay
3. Are you a British Subject? 3. yes
4. What is your age? 4. 19 Years Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? 5. Gisterman
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 Corp
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, Private 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.

Private Hobbs SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

J.R. Raymond Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.
I, Private 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 St John's on this 24 day of May 1915

Signature of Attesting Officer C.B. Dicks

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If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date 191
Place } Approving Officer.

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‡ 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

5413

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

Name *Eliot Royce Hobbs*

Apparent age *19* years months. Height *5* feet *5 1/2* inches

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded *33 1/2* inches
 Range of expansion *2 1/2* inches

Distinctive marks

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin *Thomas Hobbs*
Red Cliff B Bay | 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.

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Particulars as to Children

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or L'epot	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 <i>24-5-18</i>									
Joined at <i>Moyn's</i> on <i>May 24-1918</i>									
<i>Admitted to L.D. Hospital 11-6-1918.</i>									
<i>Dies of Pneumonia at Military Hospital St. Helier 22 6/18</i>									
<i>Buried Co's Cemetery Redcliffe B.B.</i>									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Total Service towards Engagement to *22-6-1918* [date of discharge] *30* years *30* days

" " Pensions " [" "] " " " " " " " "

Red Cliffe

Decr. 2nd
19

Lt Mr Parsons

Department of Militia
St Johns

Dear Sir

As I was talking
to you about one month ago re
the money due Pte Eliol Hobbs of
Red Cliffe you told me you couldn't
do anything without the number and
you requested me to send the
number as I am so doing the
number is # 5-413 Pte Eliol Hobbs
Red Cliffe and trusting you will do all
possible to hunt it up and oblige
yours truly

Thos. Hobbs

Red Cliffe
B/B

	Date	Initials
	5.12.19	WHP
	16.12.19	WHP

C.R. 5413

Extract from Daily Orders part 11, from Unit The Royal
Nfld. Regt. St. John's, dated June 22, 1918.

#5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs.

Died at Military Hospital 22-6-18 struck off the
strength from that date.

CR. 5413

Mr. Gansage
King's Court

Apr. 5th 1919

Mr. Lieut. Col. Rendell
Chief Staff Officer
1st Royal Newfoundland Regt
St. John's.

Dear Lieut. Col.

In re. your No 5413: of 24th ult.

I have had to enquire twice concerning this
matter, by forgetting a reply, hence my delay.

No 5413. Private Ediol Hobbs

1. Is buried in Church of England Cemetery
Redcliffe
2. The grave has not been temporarily
or permanently marked, i.e. no headstone
has been erected as yet.

Yours faithfully,

S. A. Dawson.

Inverness.





C.R. 5413

THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT
HEADQUARTERS

St. John's, Newfoundland,

June 22nd, 1918 *1918*

From Officer Commanding,
Depot

To D. O. C., Newfoundland,
Militia Department

SIR:-

#5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs

I am advised by Dr. Burden that above noted man died at the Military Hospital this morning of pneumonia following measles.

Mr. J. C. Oke, undertaker, has been asked to take charge of body and have same coffined and embalmed and await instructions regarding disposal.

Will you please advise concerning this as soon as possible, as connection for his late home leaves here tomorrow 23-6-18.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant



*Casualty Officer's attention
a. Montgomerie
per. R. G. D.*

Monty G. Ass't Adjutant
Depot The Royal Newfoundland Regiment
St. John's, Nfld.

CR

5413

August 9th, 1919

Hon. J.R. Bennett
Colonial Secretary

Sir:-

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 14th ult. forwarding letter from Rev. S.A. Dawson, King's Cove re the question of the erection of headstones over the graves of soldiers of the Regiment who died in this country. The necessary information will be given Rev. Dawson by this Department.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient servant

Minister of Militia

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C.R. 5413

14th July, 1919.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith letter under date 10th instant, from Rev. S. A. Dawson, of King's Cove, regarding the question of the erection of tombstones for those soldiers who died in active service, and were buried in their native place. Will you kindly let me know what is being done in this connection, so that I may make reply to the Rev. Mr. Dawson.

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

Colonial Secretary.

Hon. A. E. Hickman,
Minister of Militia.

Ans
9/8/19

The Parsonage
King's Cross
July 10th 1919

To The Hon. J. R. Bennett,
Colonial Secy.
St. Johns.

Dear Sir,

I have been requested
by the father of late Pte E. Hobbs of
Redcliffe, to enquire if you could kindly
let me know, whether the Government
intend to do anything in the matter of
erecting tomb-stones for those ^{soldiers} ~~men~~
who died in active service, in St. Johns, were
buried in their native place?

As Mr Hobbs is about to do something in the
matter himself, he would first of all like to
know if the Government is going to make any
response to the enquiry that was made
some time ago. - Your advice on matter would
greatly oblige me. I am Yours faithfully,
J. A. Dawson.

C.R. 5413

August 9th, 1919

Rev. S.A. Dawson

The Parsonage

King's Cove

5413, Pte. Eliot Hobbs, Deceased

Rev. & Dear Sir:-

Your letter of 10th ult. addressed to the Colonial Secretary has been passed to this Department for reply; and with reference to the matter contained therein, I might say that the question of the erection of headstones over the graves of men of the Royal Field. Regiment, who died in this country, is being taken up with the Imperial War Graves Commission, and if they are not prepared to do this work, the matter will be put before the Newfoundland Government with a view to their supplying the tombstones. Kindly advise Mr. Hobbs

Yours faithfully,

Lieut .Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

Jan. 2nd 19

Mr. Thomas Hobbs
Redcliffe, B.B.

Dear Sir:-

The Army Council have requested that they may be furnished with particulars of the Graves of all Officers Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of His Majesty's Forces, raised in any part of the British Empire, who died in the Overseas Dominions during the present war. I should be glad, therefore, if you will inform me of the following particulars concerning No. 5413, Private Eliel Hobbs:-

1.....Location of Grave (for example : Methodist Cemetery, Carbonear)

2.....Whether the Grave has been temporarily or permanently marked; that is, what kind of Headstone, if any, has been erected.

A reply to this letter at your earliest convenience would be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.



C.R. 5413

THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT
HEADQUARTERS

St. John's, Newfoundland,

August 27th, 1918

From Asst. Adjutant,
Depot

To Paymaster and Officer i/c Records,
Militia Department

Herewith 1 watch and chain in sealed envelope,
the property of 5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs (deceased),
who died at the Military Hospital 22-6-18.

Will you please have same forwarded to his next
of kin. Kindly sign enclosed receipt for same.

[Signature]
Ass't Adjutant,
Depot The Royal Newfoundland Regiment
St. John's, Nfld.

II
Lt. W.V. Warren

For attention, please

*J. M. Howley, Capt.
P.M.O. R.*

27/8/18

*Thomas Robles
Redcliffe B.B.*

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August 27th, 1918

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Depot

To Paymaster and Officer i/c Records,
Militia Department

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the property of 5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs (deceased),
who died at the Military Hospital 22-6-18.

Will you please have same forwarded to his next
of kin. Kindly sign enclosed receipt for same.

Received above noted watch and chain.

Sept. 6, 18.

Sir:-

Your letter of 15th ult., addressed to the Minister of Militia, has been handed to me. I cannot find any trace of your former letter, but immediately upon receipt of your present communication I took the matter up with the Officer Commanding Depot and found that the watch and chain in question were being held subject to orders being given for its disposal. Instructions were immediately given to have the articles forwarded to you and they were sent out under registered mail on August 27th. I trust that you have received them safely.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Major.

District Officer Commanding.

Newfoundland.

Thos. Hobbs Esq.,

Redcliff, B.B.

C.R. 5413

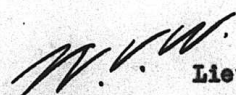
To: District Officer Commanding

From: Casualty Officer

#5413, Pte. Eliol Hobbs, (Deceased)

Attached herewith is receipt from General Post Office for Watch and Chain sent to Thomas Hobbs, father of the above mentioned soldier.

The file of correspondence is also enclosed herewith


Lieut.

Casualty Officer.

Sept. 5th
1918

Encls.

CR. 5413

March 24th 19

Church of England Clergyman

Redcliffe

Dear Sir:-

The Army Council have requested that they may be furnished with particulars of the Graves of all Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of His Majesty's Forces, raised in any part of the British Empire, who died in the Overseas Dominions during the present War. I should be glad, therefore, if you will furnish me with the following particulars concerning No. 5413, Private Eliot Hobbs:-

- 1.....Location of Grave (for example
Church of England Cemetery, Carbonear)
- 2..... Whether the grave has been temporarily
or permanently marked; that is, what
kind of Headstone, if any, has been
erected,

I should be glad if you will favour me with a reply at the earliest possible opportunity, as some time ago we wrote the next of kin of this deceased soldier, requesting the particulars noted above, but up to date have received no reply, and we are now requested to expedite our report by the authorities concerned.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Vel.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Red Cliffe B.B.
Aug 15th 1918.

J. R. Bennett Esq
Minister of Militia

Dear Sir

Sometime ago during your absence from the country I wrote Lieut. Colonel W. F. Rendell asking him to cause some enquiry to be made about my deceased sons belongings viz, watch, clothes & etc. sorry to say I have heard nothing from him pro nor con. I thought it not too great a favor to ask of any, no matter what his Rank after such a sacrifice on my part, and he may have took a little trouble in the matter. The poor chap had a very nice

watch with him which he prized more than anything else and I particularly request the watch to be found and forwarded to me. I have no idea where he left it, at the armoury or where it was at a Boarding house if he had such.

I trust Sir you will condescend to reply if nothing else. The matter in question was the property of Pte Eliot Hobbs Red Cliffe B.B. who died at military hospital St John's after measles. Trusting Sir you will give the above request attention. I am Yours etc Thomas Hobbs

C.R. 5413

August 27, 1918.

Mr. Thomas Hobbs,
Redcliffe, B.B.

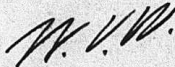
Dear Mr. Hobbs:-

I am writing to inform you that it is my regrettable duty to forward to you by "Register Post" one Watch and Chain, which belonged to your son the late No. 5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement.

I am,

Yours faithfully,



Lieut.
for Chief Staff Officer.

No. 595

A REGISTERED POSTAL PACKET

Received from

Capt. Rendell

Addressed

7400 S. ...

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...

Cliff B.S.

Am



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

To: District Officer Commanding

From: Casualty Officer

#5413, Pte. Eliol Hobbs, (Deceased)

Attached herewith is receipt from General Post Office for Watch and Chain sent to Thomas Hobbs, father of the above mentioned soldier.

The file of correspondence is also enclosed herewith

M. V. Wanan
Lieut.

Sept. 5th
1918

Casualty Officer.

Encls.



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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO
DEPARTM'T OF MILITIA
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

September 3, 1918.

From:- District Officer Commanding.
Newfoundland.

To:- Paymaster,
City.

#5413 Eliol Hobbs (deceased)

I enclose correspondence from Officer Commanding
Depot in connection with effects of this soldier.

Will you kindly advise me what disposition has been
made of the watch and chain spoken of.

Montgomery

Major.

District Officer Commanding.

Newfoundland.

ENCLOSURE.

II

L. N. Y. Warren

For your attention please

*M. Howley, Capt
Paymaster*



THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT
HEADQUARTERS

St. John's, Newfoundland,

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From O.C. Depot

To D.O.C., Nfld.

5413, Pte Eliot Hobbs, (deceased)

Herewith report from Asst. Adjutant, Depot, in connection with attached correspondence concerning the above mentioned soldier (deceased)

R.H. Fair

Captain,

O. C. Depot.

ENCLOSURE



THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT
HEADQUARTERS

St. John's, Newfoundland,

August 24th, 1918/91

From Asst. Adjutant,
Depot

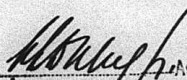
To Officer Commanding,
Depot

5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs (deceased)

Reference attached letter from District Officer Commanding, no correspondence has passed through Orderly Room in connection with this man's effects.

Personal effects of deceased soldiers, who die in St John's, are sent with the body to the undertaker by the Hospital and they are enclosed with the coffin in the rough wooden case. Valuables, such as money or trinkets, are forwarded to Asst. Adjutant by Hospital, who passes them on to Officer i/o Records for disposal. Nothing has passed through my hands belonging to this man.

I have written to Officer i/o Military Infections Hospital to find out what effects went forward with Hobbs' body.


Ass't Adjutant
Depot The Royal Newfoundland Regiment
St. John's, Nfld.



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

August 24th/18

From D.O.C., Newfoundland,
To O. C.,
Depot.

5413, Pte Eliol Hobbs, deceased.

I enclose letter from Mr. Thos. Hobbs, father of the late soldier, in connection with his personal effects. As far as I recollect a communication same in some time ago and was forwarded to you, but I cannot trace having received a reply. Can you let me have a report as quickly as possible. At the same time let me know what arrangements are in force with regard to the handling of effects of deceased soldiers, who have died in St. John's.

McMontgomery

Major,

D.O.C., Newfoundland.



THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT
HEADQUARTERS

St. John's, Newfoundland,

August 30th, 1918 191

From Officer Commanding,
Depot

To D.O.C., Newfoundland,
Militia Department

5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs (deceased)

With reference to effects of above noted man, report from Military Hospital states his personal effects were sent with remains to undertaker's rooms to accompany body; with the exception of 1 watch and chain, which was held there awaiting disposal. Same has now been forwarded to Paymaster and Officer i/c Records for transmission to his nearest relative.

Instructions are being forwarded to the Hospitals under Barracks control in order that effects will be disposed of immediately to the relatives on the death of a soldier.

R.H. Lait

Captain

RHT*AC

O.C. Depot

C.R. 5413

September 3, 1918.

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Newfoundland.

To:- Paymaster,
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District Officer Commanding.
Newfoundland.

ENCLOSURE.

C.R. 5413

August 24th/18

From O.C. Depot

To D.O.C., Hfld.

5413, Pte Eliel Hobbs, (deceased)

Herewith report from Asst. Adjutant, Depot, in connection with attached correspondence concerning the above mentioned soldier (deceased)

Captain,

O. C. Depot.

ENCLOSURE

August 24th/18

From D.O.C., Newfoundland,

To O. C.,
Depot.

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Major,

D.O.C., Newfoundland.

C.R. 5413

Extract from Daily Orders part 11, from Unit The Royal
Nfld. Regt. St. John's, dated May 27, 1918.

#5413 Pte. L. Hobbs.

Attested for General Service with the Royal Nfld. Regt.
from 24.5.18

C.R. 5413
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 _____ Dept of Militia
Address St. John's, _____

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent by	Check

Dated June 13th 1918

To Thomas Hobbs, Redcliffe, B.B.

Regret to inform you No. 5413, Private Elias Hobbs is seriously ill with measles at Military Hospital, St. John's.

W.F. Rendell Lieut. Col
Quid Staff Officer

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____ Address Militia Dept.

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated June 21st 1918.

To Mr. Thomas Hobbs,
Redcliffe, B.B.

Regret to inform you that your son 5413 Pte Elias Hobbs
now at Military Hospital dangerously ill.

W.F. Rendell,
Lieut. Col. C.S.C.

for Minister of Militia.

C.R. 5413

Counter No. _____

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____ Address Dept of Militia

Line Number	Red	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated June 22nd, 1918

To Church of England Minister or School Teacher, Redcliffe, B.B.

Regret to inform you No. 5413, Private Eliol Hobbs died at Military Hospital St. John's June 22nd from pneumonia after measles. Please inform nex of kin.

W.F. RENDELL, LIUT. COL

CHIEF STAFF OFFICER

C.R. 5413

DEPT OF MILITIA.

June 22nd, 1918

Thomas Hobbs, Redcliffe, B.B.

Very much regret to inform you No. 5413, Private Eliot Hobbs died at Military Hospital St. John's, June 22nd from pneumonia after measles. body being sent by express to-morrow

W.F. RENDELL, LIEUT. COL.

CHIEF STAFF OFFICER.



NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

CABLE CONNECTION WITH ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

Link No. _____ Sent by X Rec'd by _____ Check 201 No. _____

Place from Redcliff. Via Kings Cove

To W. F. Rendell Lieut. C. S.



Send Elise Hobbs
to Princeton N.J. get it
quicker than steamer
please have glass over
face in casket reply
Thos Hobbs



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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____ Address **St. John's, Nfld.**

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated **June 21st 1918.**
To **Mr. Thos. Hobbs,**
Red Cliffe
Via King's Cove.

BODY YOUR SON ELOIE HOBBS LEAVING HERE TOMORROW'S TRAIN.
GASKET AS REQUESTED

CHIEF STAFF OFFICER,
for MINISTER OF MILITIA.

FOR TYPEWRITER

Depot 5413

August 30th, 1918

From Officer Commanding,
Depot

To D.O.C., Newfoundland,
Militia Department

5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs (deceased)

With reference to effects of above noted man, report from Military Hospital states his personal effects were sent with remains to undertaker's rooms to accompany body; with the exception of 1 watch and chain, which was held there awaiting disposal. Same has now been forwarded to Paymaster and Officer i/c Records for transmission to his nearest relative.

Instructions are being forwarded to the Hospitals under Barracks control in order that effects will be disposed of immediately to the relatives on the death of a soldier.

RHT*AC

Captain
O.C. Depot

August 24th, 1918

From Asst. Adjutant,
Depot

To Officer Commanding,
Depot

5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs (deceased)

Reference attached letter from District Officer Commanding, no correspondence has passed through Orderly Room in connection with this man's effects.

Personal effects of deceased soldiers, who die in St John's, are sent with the body to the undertaker by the Hospital and they are enclosed with the coffin in the rough wooden case. Valuables, such as money or trinkets, are forwarded to Asst. Adjutant by Hospital, who passes them on to Officer i/c Records for disposal. Nothing has passed through my hands belonging to this man.

I have written to Officer i/c Military Infections Hospital to find out what effects went forward with Hobbs' body.

August 24th, 1918

From Asst. Adjutant,
Depot

To Officer i/c
M.I.D. Hospital

5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs (deceased)

A communication has been received from District Officer Commanding regarding disposal of effects of above noted man, who died at the Military Hospital on 22-6-18. Will you please let me know what personal effects this man had in Hospital when he died and how they were disposed of.

M. J. D. Hoop
24.8.18

To Asst Adjutant
Royal Newfoundland Regt
Sir:-

With reference to
your letter Re the
disposal of #5413 Pte Hobbs
Personal effects.

All his effects
with the exception of
his Watch was disposed
of in the usual manner
by being sent with deacon
to undertakers rooms.

His Watch was sent
to you twice by me, But
you refused to take it
until it was officially
Sealed with Wax & you

Had found the correct
channels for its disposal.

The watch still
remains here at Hospital
and can be forwarded
when I hear from you
as to its proper disposal.

Sir

I Am

Yours Obedient Servant

A. Gooly. Spt.

1/e M. J. D. Hoop.

CCD/AC

August 26th, 1918

From Asst. Adjutant,
Depot

To N.C.O. i/c
MI.D. Hospital

Re 5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs

You will forward to me at Orderly Room, in sealed package, with contents marked on outside together with late owner's name, the watch belonging to above noted man. You will also forward any other effects you have in your possession belonging to other men who have died in Military Hospital treated in the same way.

Your statement re my refusal to take Hobbs' watch is not correct. He died on 22-6-18 and personal effects of men who died previous to that date were received by me from Military Hospital and disposed of. It is, therefore, obvious that the correct channels of disposal were known on June 22nd, when they were already in operation on June 14th.

August 27th, 1918

From Asst. Adjutant,
Depot

To Paymaster and Officer i/c Records,
Militia Department

Herewith 1 watch and chain in sealed envelope,
the property of 5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs (deceased),
who died at the Military Hospital 22-6-18.

Will you please have same forwarded to his next
of kin. Kindly sign enclosed receipt for same.

August 29th, 1918

From Asst. Adjutant,
Depot

To Officer Commanding,
Depot

5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs (deceased)

With further reference to effects of above noted man, report from Military Hospital states his personal effects were sent with remains to undertaker's rooms to accompany body, with the exception of 1 watch and chain, which was held there awaiting disposal. Same has now been forwarded to Paymaster and Officer i/c Records for transmission to his nearest relative.

CCD:AC

Paymaster -

Herewith for

57413 Ph. Elsie Halls.

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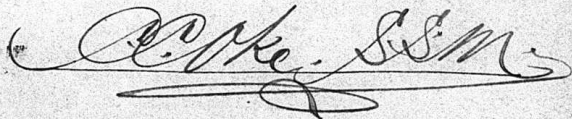
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Review above noted documents -

JUN 28 1918



June 27th, 1918

From Officer Commanding,
Depot

To Paymaster and Officer i/c Records,
Militia Department

Strength Decreases by Deaths

Undernoted please find list of men who have been struck off Regimental strength on account of death. Herewith I am sending complete documents on file at Depot in connection with them and have noted Credit Balances due them on their respective Company Pay Accounts to date of their decease, which are now transferred to your Department for transmission to their next of kin.

Kindly sign receipts and return.

	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Cr. Bal.</u>	
4323 Pte. Geo. Fudge	22-6-18	\$91.30	No Allotment
5413 " Elias Hobbs	22-6-18	24.20	Do.
5475 " Augustus Winsor	23-6-18	25.30	Allotment commences July 1st
5455 " Permanus Canning	24-6-18	26.40	No Allotment

June 22nd, 1918

From Officer Commanding,
Depot

To D. O. C., Newfoundland,
Militia Department

SIR:-

#5413 Pte. Elias Hobbs

I am advised by Dr. Burden that above noted man died at the Military Hospital this morning of pneumonia following measles.

Mr. J. C. Oke, undertaker, has been asked to take charge of body and have same coffined and embalmed and await instructions regarding disposal.

Will you please advise concerning this as soon as possible, as connection for his late home leaves here tomorrow 23-6-18.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant



Hobbs, Eliol

5413

Ray Sept.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname Thabbs

Christian Name Eliot

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Red Cliff B.P. County Nfld.

	SPECIAL RESERVE		REGULAR ARMY	
Examined	on <u>24th</u> day of <u>May</u> 191 <u>8</u>	at <u>Sgt John's</u>	on	day of 191
Declared Age	<u>19</u> years	days	years	days
Trade or Occupation	<u>Fisherman</u>			
Height	<u>5</u> feet <u>5 1/2</u> inches		feet	inches
Weight	<u>123</u> lbs.			lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded	<u>33 1/2</u> inches		inches
	Range of Expansion	<u>2 1/2</u> inches		inches
Physical Development				

Vaccination Marks	Right		Left	
	Arm	Number	Arm	Number
	/		/	

When Vaccinated

Vision

R.E.—V=	<u>6/6</u>	R.E.—V=	
L.E.—V=	<u>6/6</u>	L.E.—V=	

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection

Approved by (Signature) Lammie Paterson

(Rank) Major Medical Officer.

Enlisted

at Sgt John's

on 24th day of May 1918

Joined on Enlistment	Corps	Regtl. No.	Corps	Regtl. No.
	<u>1st Royal</u>	<u>5413</u>		
Transferred to	<u>Nfld Regiment</u>			

Became non-effective by

on

(Signature)

(Rank)

ick list in case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.

ing on the cause, nature or treatment of the case likely to be of interest or of future use. In case of
issions and re-admissions to hospitals 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

Des 22/6/18

H. W. Borden

ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Medical Examination Held at Headquarters May 24/18

1. Name Clive Stells Age (a) Declared 19
(b) Apparent

2. Do you know of anything wrong with you? no

What severe illnesses have you had? Pneumonia 1 year ago

5413

3. Height 5ft 5 1/2. Weight 125.

4. Eyesight (a) Left 4/6 (b) Right 4/6

5. Physical Defects (Examine after strenuous exercise) "

6. Examination of Lungs "

Measurement (a) Expiration 31 (b) Inspiration 35 1/2.

7. Examination of Heart "

8. Examination of Urine

9. Examination of Mouth—(Defective Speech)

Teeth — attention to teeth.
Throat — Engorged tonsils
Nose
Ears—(Otorrhea)
(Deafness)

10. Have you been successfully vaccinated, and when? no

11. Name and address of next of kin Sarah Thomas Red Cliff BB

REMARKS--

A 11

W. Burden

Arthur H. Cornell

Oct. 23th, 1918.

Thomas Hobbs, Esq.,
Red Cliffe, B.B.

Dear Sir,-

I beg to enclose cheque for \$33.00, being
the balance of the Estate of the late #5413, Pte. Elias
Hobbs, payable to you as Administrator.

I also enclose Letters of Administration.

Yours very truly,

Capt.
Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

ENCLOSURE

EW.

1917 - 1918

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 33 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀

Oct 24 1918

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of Thirty Three ⁰⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars.
~~on account~~
balance of Pay. Estab.

Ch. No. 8679	Initials J.S.
Pay Ledger M.	Initials M.
Gen. Ledger	Initials

Regtl. No. Rank

No. 5413.

Rank Plt.

Name Hobbs Elias

Thomas Hobbs

Red Cliff ~~Point~~

Bonaersta Bay

LINEN BOOK

ACCOUNT	<i>Trav. Voucher</i>
CH. NO.	<i>7106</i>
IND. LEDGER	INITIALS <i>[Signature]</i>
PAY LEDGER	INITIALS <i>[Signature]</i>
GEN. LEDGER	INITIALS <i>[Signature]</i>

May 24th. 1918.

The Royal Newfoundland Regiment,

413

To *Eloil* Loyal Hobbs, (Recruit).

[Signature]

May 21st. /18 To Passage from Princeton to Shoal Harbour. \$1.05.

(as per voucher).



Correct for \$1.05

[Signature] Lieut.

25/5/18.

ork
[Signature]
Eloil Hobbs

REID-NEWFOUNDLAND COMPANY.

PASSENGER DEPARTMENT.

AGENTS', CONDUCTORS' & PURSERS' RECEIPT.

Received from

Loyal Hobbs.

one

Dollar

5

Cents, being the amount of

1st

the sum of

Class Fare

From

~~Shoal~~ Princeton to Shoal Av.

and have issued him Ticket No.

87536

Form No.

128

Date

May 21st 1918

Agent, Conductor or Purser

I Purser
L. H. [Signature]

This form to be used when requested to give receipt for amount paid for tickets.

Reg. No. 5413..... Rank Pte..... Name Hobbs L..... E

Attested 24-5-18..... Address Red bluff B.B.

Allotment..... Allottee.....

Date of Allotment..... Returned from Overseas.....

Embarked for Overseas..... Cause.....

25-578 Acc

11/9/18

Ad. No. 1.0 Hobbs

12/6/18 Reported Sick by Dr. Burden.

20/6/18 ~~Discharged from Barracks Hospital~~

22/6/18 Died in military Hospital struck
off the strength of

¹⁵
5413 Phi Elias Statts
Re bliffe - Bonavista

Died at Military Hospital
morning of 22-6-18 of Pneumonia
following measles. Body
embalmed & Coffined by oRe.

Funeral to Railway Station
Sunday 23-6-18 . Body sent
to home.

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.



OFFICER i/c RECORDS,
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA,
ST., JOHN'S, Nfld.

5413 540287

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

Thomas Hobbs

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

Forms
B 121.
39.

Number of Sheet One

Regiment of Royal Newfoundland Signature of O. C. Company C. B. Dicks

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade		Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay	
No. <u>5113 Hobbs Elliot</u>		Age on <u>19</u> years <u>1</u> months		<u>Sislerman</u>			
Joined _____ Date _____		Place and Date of Enlistment <u>St. Johns</u>		Religion <u>coll</u>			
Joined _____ Date _____		Period of } with Colours <u>30</u> years. with Reserve <u>365</u> years.		Place of Birth <u>Redcliffe B. B.</u>			
Joined _____ Date _____							

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	OFFENCE	Name of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS
				<u>Died Pneumonia Military</u>	<u>St Johns</u>	<u>22 6</u>			

To be carried over.

Army Form B. 121.

C.R. 5413

Red Blk

R. Roy th
June 15/20

To the Minister of Militia
Militia Department
St John's

Dear Sir

Can you inform me
as to what time Monument
for 'Deceased Soldier' Pte Elvid
Hobbs, will come due, or if
it the intention of you Dept
to forward such Monument
I am anxiously awaiting your
reply.

Yours truly
Thomas Hobbs

C.R. 5413

June 23rd, 1920

Mr. Thomas Hobbs
Red Cliff,
B.B.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 18th June re monument in respect of Pte. Eliel Hobbs

This Department will receive from the Imperial War Graves Commission the memorial cross for erection over Pte. Hobb's grave. I cannot say definitely when we will receive it, as the work in connection with these memorials is enormous; but I trust that it will be in a short length of time; and when it comes to hand you will at once be notified.

I might say that when these crosses are forwarded from London, they will be ready for erection.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.

Chief Staff Officer

Optimus of Melilic 11th St.
St Johns

Red Cliff
Bowville Va
Sept-21/20

C.F. 5413

Gentlemen

I was asked if the Sect Col last Spring
for particulars Concerning No 5413 private
Eliel Hobbs was Buried

I replied he was buried in Red Cliff
Church of England Brev. yard of
Temporarily marked.

June 23rd I ^{was} notified the Department would
recess a Memorial Cross for re-creation over
pt. Hobbs grave.

please let me know what time
you are sending cross or if any is
going to be sent

Yours respectfully

Thomas Hobbs

CF 5413

Oct. 6th, 1920

Mr. Thomas Hobbs,
Red Cliffe,
B.B.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of 21st Sept. relative
No. 5413 Pte. E. Hobbs, has been duly received.
In reply thereto I beg to state that the Imperial
War Graves Commission will furnish the headstone
for erection over your son's grave; but I cannot
say definitely when it will be received by this
Department, possibly within six months. Just
as soon as I receive explicit details of its
despatch to this country, I shall give you due advice.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary
for Chief Staff Officer

Redcliffe

May 13/21

C.R. 5413

Department of Militia
St. John's

Gentlemen with reference to letter No
5413 of Oct 14th 1920, with reference
to Head Stone to my son private to
Bobb, kindly let me know how soon
it will be sent, as it looks so
neglected not to have a stone to mark
his grave, after being dead so long

yours respectfully

Thomas Bobb

C.R. 5413

May 21, 1921

Mt. Thomas Hobbs,
Recliffe,

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of May 13th has been duly received with reference to the headstones for the grave of No. 5413 Pte. E. Hobbs.

This Department has to wait for the shipment of headstones from England. They are being ordered by the Imperial War Graves Commission, and it will likely be some little time before the headstones for home countries will be despatched, as it is likely that they will first complete the cemeteries in the war areas. I would suggest that in the meantime you erect a temporary wooden cross, painted white, with your son's Regimental Number, Name, Unit and date of death marked in black paint. This is the war in which graves are marked temporarily in the war areas. If you will send the cost of this to this Department, the bill will be paid.

There will be no delay in forwarding the headstone when it has been received, but I am afraid it will be some little time yet.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

Red Cliff B.B.
July 12-42

C.R. 5413

Dear Gen. W. H. Rendell
Chief Staff Officer

Military Dept.
St. Johns

Dear Sir

As I am anxious
to erect a stone in
memory of my son Pte.
Eliot Hobbs, and it seems
that it will be a long time
before the commissioners will
turn their attention to the
matter at home, will it
be convenient for your
Dept. to send me the
purchase price of the same
or kindly give instructions

therein.

I would have had one erected
myself long ago but for the
fact that the military were
going to attend to this matter
and it would be unnecessary
to have two. however I can
not longer withstand to
see him sleeping in a nameless
grave

Trusting to hear from
you in due course
I am Hon Sir yours
Sincerely
Thos. Hobbs

C.R. 5413

July 19th, 1921

Mr. Thomas Hobbs
Redcliffe, B.B.

Dear Sir -

I am in receipt of your letter of July 12th respecting a stone in memory of your son, Pte. Eliot Hobbs. No advice has yet been received in connection with the shipment of the permanent memorials for deceased soldiers in this country. In the meantime, it is suggested that a temporary wooden cross similar to that erected temporarily over the graves of soldiers in the theatres of war, might be placed. The practice overseas was to put up such a wooden cross painted white, with the soldiers Number, Rank and Name, either painted on with blank paint or stamped on a metal disc or plate. If you decide to put up such a temporary memorial, this Dept. will pay the cost on receipt of notification from you. The permanent memorial will be supplied by the Imperial Government, so I regret that it would not be possible for this Department to arrange a cash payment. I trust that my suggestion will meet with your approval and it is hoped that the permanent memorials may very shortly arrive

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

Red Cliff, C.R. 5413
Bonaruta Bay

Leut Col Kendall.
John
Newfld

Dear Sir
Your letter of 19th ult duly
recd and note all you say
re. Memorial Stone for my
sons, grave, and further I may
say. We are not satisfied to
place a wooden cross in our
Cemetery, in memory of Mr
son, and I sincerely hope that
you will very shortly, ^{be able} to send
a suitable Memorial Stone,

or Cash for value, of same,
 as I have been waiting now,
 over three years. To see, a suitable
 Memorial stone, erected in our
 Cemetery. I fail to see, why
 the stone, or its equivalent in cash,
 cannot be sent, as well as to others,
 in our district, times are bad, and
 I cannot find money to pay for a
 stone. else it would have placed
 and I remain ^{long ago}

Dear Sir
 yours, (But Sir
 Thomas, Hobbs)

C.R.

5413

August 16th, 1921

Mr. Thomas Hobbs,
Redoliffe,
B.B.

Dear Sir:-

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of recent date in reply to mine of 19th July regarding the memorial to be placed over the grave of your late son, Pte. H. Hobbs. I beg to state that the Imperial War Graves Commission who are supplying the permanent headstones, will not pay an equivalent in cash to any of the next of kin concerned. Therefore, this Dept. has not sent cash in lieu of a memorial to anybody in your District.

I received information from London a day or two ago to the effect that the contract for the cutting of the permanent headstones has now been placed, and is expected to be completed by October, in which event I think those for Newfoundland ought to be received by the end of the year.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,
Chief Staff Officer

Mrs. Thomas Hobbs

Red Cliffe

B.B. Jan. 9/23

Lieut. Col. W. E. Rendell
Dept. of Militia
St. Johns

Dear Sir i am sending
to you to no if you
are going to send
me hery thing.
with regards to the
head. stone. you
have been promising
this four years we
havent a got any
thing yet so i think
it is time to send
along something its
long a nough now
what is the reserent
is life is so sweet.

as then yours give it
to he lose is like as
will as the rest am
why not he get is
part as will as the
rest it is not right
i am expecting some
thing more when
yours gets this letter
its not right nothing
like a right yours
promest to. give
something an thats
all we heard of it
i spose we are to
fore a blade to
get it if we were
long boaters we
may stan a better
chance so u can

i'd expecting som
thing now if it
is only ten dollars
it is som thing
if not send it it
is a rotten affair
so i hope youes will
pony up an send
it a long i need it
at present so i
think / it time to
do some thing

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yours ever
~~the~~
mis Thomas
hobbes

C.R.I

5413

Jan. 12th 23

Mrs. Thomas Hobbs,
Redcliffe,
B.B.

Dear Madam:-

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of Jan. 9th, 1923, regarding the headstone for erection on the grave of your deceased son, No. 5413 Pte. T. Hobbs.

In connection with the delay in delivery of this headstone, I must inform you that this Department is in no way responsible. And as far as the Imperial War Graves Commission is concerned, they have about 700,000 headstones to cut; and the graves which they are looking after first, are those in France and Belgium and other war areas. Lieut. Col. Hangle, D.G.R. & E. has time and again requested that Commission that the memorials in respect of soldiers buried in this country, may be given early attention, but without effect. However, according to recent communications from Lieut.-Col. Hangle, the headstones will be forthcoming this winter, and will therefore, be ready for erection in the spring.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

Bonavista

June 26. 1923.

5413

J. Rowsett Lt. Col.,
Dept. of Militia
5 Jones.

Dear Sir -

Yours of 19th advising me of
Head Stone being ship^d to my address
for the grave of Pte E Hobbs. at Redcliffe
Ber^m. Bonavista is 30 miles from Redcliffe
and not convenient to handle at this end.

You should have ship^d by Prospero. % of
Rev. Godden or some other person at Kings
Cove or by S S Malakoff. to be landed at
Open Hall. I think the latter ship and
place w^d be most convenient.

Respectfully Yours

John S Rowsett

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June 30 23

John S. Rowsell Esq.

Bonavista.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for yours of 26th inst. and the information in connection with shipping the headstone for the grave of No. 5413 Pte. E. Hobbs.

I shall communicate with the Clergyman concerned, and ask him to put the work in hands.

I have not shipped the headstones until I have heard from the Magistrates and Justices of the Peace to whom I have written, expecting that they would, in cases where graves were at a distance, offer a suggestion for the best way to ship.

Yours very truly,

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.

Aug. 9th., 23.

Rev. L. Godden,

Kings Cove, B.B.

Reverend Sir,

Your letter of Aug. 4th. addressed to Lt. Col. W.F. Rendell has been passed to me for attention.

It is regretted that action was not taken on your memo of July 10th. but same got overlooked amongst quite a batch of correspondence of a similar nature. However, yesterday we shipped 2 barrels of Cement by Rail and to Redcliffe via Port Union & "Malakoff".

Enclosed please find revised instructions re the erection of Headstones, and Curbs around Graves.

Trusting you have not been inconveniently delayed and that Cement will be received speedily and in good condition, I remain

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.
Officer i/c Records.

King's Cove

Aug. 4. 1923

Lieut. Col. W.F. Randall

Dear Sir,

Some three weeks ago
in reply to yours just previous I
wrote asking - according to your in-
structions - that a half barrel of cement
be sent to Redcliffe for the grave of
private Hobbs. Mr. Hobbs the father
informs me that it has not arrived.
The work cannot be done without it.
The most convenient way to send is
by rail via Port Haison & S.S. Melakoff.
Yours truly,
E. Cadden

King's Cove
July 10. 1923

Lieut. Col.

W. F. Rydell
Dear Sir,

The headstave for Pt. E. Hobbs arrived at Redcliffe yesterday and I saw the father Thomas Hobbs today. The work you ask to be done will be commenced as soon as we get cement.
Will you please send 1/2 barrel to Redcliffe by rail and Port Union.

Particular attention will be given to your directions.

Yours very truly
H. Coedus

June 30 23

Rev. L. Godden,
Kings Cove B.B.

Dear Sir, We are shipping by rail & steamer a headstone supplied by the Imperial War Graves Commission for the grave of No. 5413 Pte. E. Hobbs at Redcliffe.

It is desired to have the grave treated in the same manner as War Graves in France, Belgium & elsewhere. I would be glad if you will mention the matter to Mr. Thos. Hobbs, this soldier's next-of-kin, and then employ some man to do the work. If you will certify the bills when the work is finished, and send them to us payment will be made immediately. The attached might be of service to the contractor, and will give the measurements of the curb.

Your kind attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Lieut. Col.
Chief Staff Officer.

Your HQ File C.P. Connor

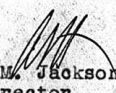
D.V.A.
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Ottawa, Ontario,
May 9, 1949.

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

5413 Private HOBBS Eliol, Royal
Newfoundland Regiment, died of Pneumonia,
at the Military Hospital, St. Johns,
Newfoundland, on the 22nd day of June 1918.

CERTIFIED CORRECT FROM RECORDS


for H.M. Jackson,
Director,
War Service Records.