



FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 2615. Name Wm. Mercer Corps

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your name? 1. Wm. Mercer.
2. What is your full Address? 2. Water St. W.,
St. John's.
3. Are you a British Subject? 3. Yes.
4. What is your age? 4. 20 Years 6 Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? 5. Worker in shoe factory.
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. FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR
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, Wm. Mercer. 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.

Wm. Mercer. SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
H. D. Outbridge Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, 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 ^{correctly} entered as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at on this 27 day of Apr. 1916

H. D. Outbridge 2nd Lieut.
Signature of Attesting Officer

†CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

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

Date 191
Place } Approving Officer.

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

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

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT

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

Name Wm. Mercer

Apparent age 20 years 6 months. Height 5 feet 6 inches

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 36 inches
Range of expansion 2 1/2 inches

Distinctive marks

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Leander Mercer
Water St. N. | Relationship Father.
No. 100

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									
" " " Pension " _____ [" "] _____ " _____ "									



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|--|--|
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| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>Walsby St. St. John's</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>27</u> Years <u>6</u> Months |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>Printer in Shoe Factory</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> |
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| | 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? | II. <u>Yes</u> |

I, Wm. Mercer, 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.

27/11/16

William Mercer, SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

H. D. Oubridge, Signature of Witness.

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I,, 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.

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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 27 day of Apr 1916
Signature of Attesting Officer H. D. Oubridge 2nd Lieut

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Name Wm. Mercer
 Apparent age 20 years 6 months. Height 5 feet 6 inches
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 36 inches
 Range of expansion 2 1/2 inches
 Distinctive marks _____

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Leander Mercer
Water St. 15. | Relationship father.
Ac. Grace. Particulars as to Marriage

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

Particulars as to Children

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or Depot	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>27-4-16</u>									
Joined at <u>Johns</u> on <u>April 27th 16</u>									
<u>Missing April 14th 1917</u>									
<u>Embarked at Johns St. Station for UK 19th 16</u>									<u>Embarked for B.C. 11th 16</u>
<u>Disembarked Dover 12-10-16</u>									<u>Joined Battalion in the field 12-10-16</u>
<u>Missing 14-4-17</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									
Total Service towards Engagement to <u>14-4-17</u> (date of discharge) years <u>353</u> days									
Pension [" "] " " "									



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

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

Examination of *Wm Mercer*

aged *20* conducted at *C. B.*

Date: *April 26/16* Recruiting Officer:

NO OF TEST

FINDING

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

2015

- 33 *yes 1 year 10 yrs ago*
- 34 *5-6*
- 35 *117 ftols.*
- 36 *33 36*
- 37 *6 per week*
- 38 *father Mr Scander Mercer Harbour Grace*
- 39 *father partly*

SM.

Signature of Medical Examiner: *William Roberts*

Gander Bay
Apr 5 1902

Department of militia

Dear sirs

pleas find form belond to
Gander Meeres Herbour Grace
came to me I am returning
same to you

yours truly

Maurice Thistle

H. C. R. 2615
H. C. R. 2615

Face of

Sub. Col.

W. F. Rindell

Sir,
Received some

and message and
am thankful for
it. On the service
is Pt Robert Wren
instead of Pt William
Wren, would you
kindly change the
name for me if I am
in error. Please answer
Yours truly
W. F. Rindell

CP. 2615

Dec. 22nd, 1919

Mr. Leander Mencer
Water Street, West
Hr. Grace

Dear Sir:-

With reference to your letter of Dec 4th. concerning pay matters in connection with No. 2615, Private William Mercer, I would state for your information that on the decease of a soldier his pay automatically ceases. The balance of his pay referred to by you is, therefore, not payable.

I believe Mr. Archibald was making enquiries concerning your case a day or two ago, and will no doubt explain to you the position. If, however, you require further information, I shall be pleased to supply it.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

CR! 2615

Harbor Grace

Dec. 4-19

W. H. Rendell - Chief Staff Officer
Department of Militia

Dear Sir

Would you kindly give

me the information if in your power

If I should would you be so kind as to
inquire and give me an answer

concerning the Back Money of

Private William H. H. # 2615-

He volunteered in April 1916 and

Crossed to England in July and to France

in October Reported Missing April 14th-17

I got his allotment up until June 6th-19

where it is his back money of 50^{/-} per day

from the time he was reported

Missing until peace was signed

over

I can't understand why this
Money is not Paid

There for I write you
as a gentleman would
you be so good as to inquire
on my behalf and let me
know the details and
you would oblige me
very much

I remain Yours

Truly

Seander Meier

Water St West

Harbor Grace

Father of the late (Private)

C.R. 2615

Extract from Nominal Roll submitted St. John's for overseas,
for S.S. SERVICE. July 19, 1916.

2615 Pte. Mercer W.

COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated **May 13, 1917.**
To **Mr. Leander Mercer,**
Harbor Grace.

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,
London, officially reports No. 2615, Private
William Mercer, missing April fourteenth.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

C.R. 2615

May 15, 1918.

Dear Mr. Mercer:-

I am writing to inform you that it is my regrettable duty to forward to you, by Express one "KIT BAG" which belonged to your son, the late #2615 Pte. William Mercer 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 sincerely,

Captain.

Mr. Leander Mercer,
Water Street West,
Harbour Grace.

C.R. 2615

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

#2615 Pte. W. Mercer.

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

C.R. 2615

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

#2615 Pte. W. Mercer.

Reported Missing April 14th.

C.R. 2615

Extract from Nominal Roll of Hfld. Negt. Draft No. 12
from 2nd Bn. Depot. to 1st Bn. B.E.F. Embarked Southamp-
ton, 11-10-16.

2615 Pte. W. Mercer.

& PERSONAL EFFECTS.

Received from Militia Department

Package of effects of the late #2615

P. B. William Wreath

Signed

Sander Wreath

Date

May 18/19

Harbor Grace

C.R. 2615

William Mercer was attested for General Service with
the NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT on April 27th 1916
Regimental No. 2615 was allotted to Pte W. Mercer

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th 1919

W. Mercer

2613

P.R.D.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname Mence

Christian Name William

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish _____ County _____

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>26</u> day of <u>April</u> 191 <u>6</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>6</u>	
	at _____		at _____	
Declared Age	<u>20</u> years <u>6</u> days		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Shoemaker</u>		_____	
Height	<u>5</u> feet <u>6</u> inches		_____ feet _____ inches	
Weight	<u>117</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... <u>36</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of expansion.. <u>3 1/2</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development	_____		_____	
Vaccination Marks	Arm	_____	_____	_____
	Number	<u>1</u>	_____	_____
When Vaccinated	<u>10 years ago</u>		_____	
Vision	R.E.—V= <u>6/6</u>		R.E.—V=_____	
	L.E.—V= <u>6/6</u>		L.E.—V=_____	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(a) _____		(a) _____	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to Cause Rejection	(b) _____		(b) _____	
Approved by (Signature)	<u>Lamont Paterson</u>		_____	
(Rank)	<u>Major</u> Medical Officer.		_____ Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St John's</u>		at _____	
	on <u>26</u> day of <u>April</u> 191 <u>6</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>6</u>	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regtl. No. <u>2615</u>	Corps.	Regtl. No. _____
	<u>1st Nfld Reg.</u>		_____	
Transferred to	_____		_____	
Became non-affective by	_____		_____	
(Signature)	on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>6</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191 <u>6</u>	
(Rank)	_____		_____	

No. 2615 Name Mercer W. (W) Sqn., Batty., or Company } B. Corps Newfoundland, Date of enlistment } 27/16 G.C. Badges } Service or Proficiency Pay }
 Date of last entry in Company Conduct Sheet } Sep. 27/16. No. and date of last drunk } none. Period not reckoning towards freedom from extra fine } Sheet No. 1 Signature O.C. } [Signature] Character } Good
 Company, etc. } [Signature]

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
Field	10/1/17	Pte.		Defacement of Kit	Sgt Blackhall	Deftd 5 days pay	10/3/17	Lt Col J. [Signature]	[Signature]

RETURNED
 Posted Missing 11/4/17
 13

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT
 88, VICTORIA ST.
 LONDON, S.W.
 18.11.1917

Army Form B. 192

PAY LIST. to **191** Voucher No. **NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps _____
 No. *2615* Rank *Private* Name *Mercer, W.*
 Died *(s) Intestate* at *France* on the *14* of *April* 191*7*.
 Deserted at *MISSING 14/4-17.* on the _____ of _____ 191*1*.
RESUMED DEAD 17-11-17
 I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

} *Commanding Squadron, Troop,
Battery or Company.*

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT. [Form 1.]

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month <i>14</i> / <i>17</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>4</i>
	<i>Cash issues</i> (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			
	"				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
	Consolidated stoppage				Deferred Pay or Gratuity			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<i>8</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>4</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		<i>£</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>12</i>		<i>£</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>12</i>
								<i>4</i>

CHECKED.
AC
30/5/18

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ _____ is *correctly* chargeable against the Public^(b).



Dated at _____ this _____ day of *30 MAY 1918* 191*1* _____ 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.

Mencer, W.

2615

Pay Dept

ORIGINAL

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to

191 Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps

No. 2615

Rank Private

Name W. Mercer

Died Intestate at France

on the 14 of April 1917

Deserted at MISSING 14/4-17

on the of 191

PREJUMED DEAD 17-11-17
I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

Commanding Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Form 1.

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.	
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month 14/4/17.....	8	12	4	
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated) £ s. d.				Pay days at from to				
	191				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to				
	"				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	8	12	4	Balance due to the Paymaster				
		£	8	12		£	8	12	4

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office on 31/5/18 and is therefore correct to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.

CHECKED.

31-5-18

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

Dated at

this

day of



191

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, Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.

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

ORIGINAL

Army Form O 1625

PAY LIST

to

191

Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps

No. 2615

Rank Private

Name W. Mercer

Died Intestate at France

on the 14 of April 1917

Deserted at MISSING 14/4-17

on the of 191

PRE-SUMED DEAD 17-11-17

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	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	8	12	4	Balance due to the Paymaster				
		£	8	12	4		8	12	4

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to 31/5/18 and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.

CHECKED. 31-5-18

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular and that the debtor balance of £ 8 12 4 is correct. Dated at this day of 31 MAY 1918 191



NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT. 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 the War Office by Army Form B 3090 or Army Form O 1615.
- (b) Words in Italic to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

DUPLICATE MAIL COPY

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps

No. **2615**

Rank **Private**

Name **W. Mercer**

Died ^(or Intestate) at **France**
MISSING 14/4-17.

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

Deserted at
PREJUMED DEAD 17-11-17

on the of 191**7**.

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	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	8	12	4	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	8	12		£	8	12
								4

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to **31/5/18** and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.

CHECKED,

ALB.
31-5-18

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular and that the debtor balance of £ **8 12 4** is correct.

Dated at

this

day of

31 MAY 1918

191

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.
W. Mercer
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS
Paymaster.

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SEPARATION ALLOWANCE.

Claimant. *Lander Mercer* *Father*

On account of *William Mercer* No. *2615* Rank *Pte*

Decision. *Refused*
applicant earns \$60⁰⁰ per month

Date. *May 6/1920*

W. F. Rendell Lieut. Col.
M. Bowley Major

Instructions.....
.....
.....

Allotment of *60⁰⁴* per day payable to *Lander Mercer*
his *father* from *1/7/16* to *30/6/19*.
Discontinued on account of *pension Board*.

R. C. Summey

ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

(Separation Allowance Branch.)

NOTICE

FATHER

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

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

The Pymaster:

Separation Allowance Branch
St. John's, Nfld.

(1) Name in full of soldier Rank Reg't or Unit Reg't No
William Mercer *Private* *Nfld. Regmt.* *7416*

(2) Age of soldier Married or Single
22 *Single*

(3) Name in full of father Age Occupation Permanent Address
of soldier
Leander Mercer *62* *B. & Shore Hddy* *St. John's*
Business

(4) If you are a chronic invalid and totally incapacitated, state nature of malady (Medical Certificate must be enclosed with this document, stating from what date applicant has been totally incapacitated, and for how long incapacity is likely to continue). } *No*

(5) Names of your other children Address in full Occupation Married or single

<i>Theresa Mercer</i>	<i>St. John's</i>	<i>Domestic Service</i>	<i>Single</i>
<i>Beulah Mercer</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>
<i>Walter Mercer 15</i>	<i>St. John's (Home)</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>
<i>Edith Mercer 14</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>
<i>Harvey Mercer 16</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>
<i>Samuel Mercer 10</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>

(6) State amount earned by yourself per month - *\$60 a month.*

(7) State date and place of death of your wife. *wife Living*

(8) State amount and source of any other income *no other income*
depend on my own savings

(9) What is the value of your real property. *nil*

(10) State actual amount contributed by soldier during year prior to enlistment. *\$4 a week*

(11) Was this amount contributed weekly or Monthly? *weekly*

* *Brussels Mercer 8, St. John's School -*
Leander Mercer 4

(12) Did this amount include payment of son's board, etc? *Yes.*

(13) State your son's trade or occupation prior to enlistment. *Stevedore*

(14) State amount of his wages per week. *\$4 a week*

(15) State name and address of his last employer. *Anchor Line Ltd.*

(16) State amount of support monthly from son since enlistment. *\$16 a month*

(17) State amount of "Assigned Pay" received by you from son monthly *\$16 a month*

(18) From what date have you received "Assigned Pay"? *Aug. 1917*

(19) Actual amount contributed by other children

Weekly	Monthly
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nothing

(20) If not receiving support from other children, state cause. Answer fully. *In service; too young*

(21) Are any of these children in your employ? *No.*

(22) Have you made a previous claim for Separation Allowance? If so, why. Give particulars. *No.*

(23) What is the value of your personal property? *Nil*

(24) With whom do you reside at present? *Chamfrancesis Street home*

(25) Are you already in receipt of Separation Allowance from any source. If so, how much? *No*

(26) Are you in receipt of assistance from any Patriotic Fund. If so, how much?

no.

(27) Was the soldier at the time of enlistment an employee of the Newfoundland Government?

no

(28) In what capacity and in what place.

none

(29) Is he in receipt of a salary as such while serving in the 1st N.E. d. Regt. If so, how much?

no

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

Signature of applicant

James James

Place of Residence

St. John's Harbour Grace Nfld

Declared and subscribed before me at

Harbour Grace

this

6th

day of

April

1920

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

William A. Mc

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

Signature of Clergyman

Wm R. J. Higgitt

Rector of Harbour Grace

Signature of member of Patriotic Fund Committee

William A. Mc

May 13, 1920

Mr. Leander Mercer,
Harbor Grace.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your application for Separation allowance, I have been directed to state that same cannot be granted, because you cannot under any circumstances be considered to be totally dependent upon your son, in view of the fact that you are earning sixty dollars (\$60.00) per month.

Yours truly

Major

Paymaster.

Oct. 28th, 1918.

Leander Mercer, Esq.,
Water Street,
Harbor Grace, C.B.

Dear Sir,-

I beg to enclose cheque for \$49.92, being
the balance of the Estate of the late Pto. W. Mercer,
payable to you as Administrator. .

I also enclose Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,

Capt.
Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

ENCLOSURE

EW.

1917 — 1918

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 49 ⁹³/₁₀₀

Oct. 24 th/₁₉ 18.

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of Forty Nine ⁹³/₁₀₀ Dollars.
~~amount~~
balance of Pay. Escate

Ch. No.	8680	Initials	Jos
Pay Ledger	112	Initials	WJ
Gen. Ledger		Initials	

Regtl. No. Rank

No. 2615: Rank P6.

Name Musser, W.

Leander Musser.

Water Street

24. Grace

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. 2615 Rank Plt

Name William Mercer

Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Stanley W. W. W. W. W. (Sgd.)

Father Relationship.

Address Water St. West - St. John's Mr. Grace



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The Secretary of the War Office, Whitehall, London, W.C.2

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

Printed

1911

Address

10/11

OCT 5 1921.

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

is/are forwarded herewith to

Mr. Leander Mercer (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 2615 Rank Pte.

Name William Mercer

Royal Nfld. Regt.
~~Nfld. Forestry Corps.~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Medals

Signature Leander Mercer

Date Oct 7

Address Leander Mercer

Hr. Grace

[P.T.O.]

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regimental Number **C.R. 2615**

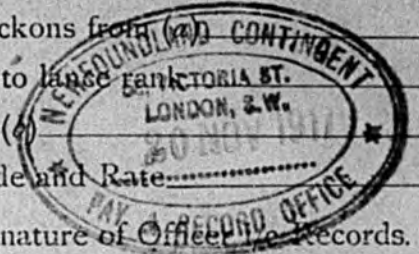
Regiment or Corps **21 New Brunswick Regt**
 Rank **Pre.** Surname **Manser** Christian Name **William** **1940**

Religion **CofE** Age on Enlistment **20** years **6** months.

Enlisted (a) **27/4/16** Terms of Service (a) **War** Service reckons from **(a)**

Date of promotion to present rank _____ Date of appointment to last rank _____

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



Signature of Officer in Charge _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c, during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
			Embarked Southampton		11 OCT 1916
			Disembarked ROUEN		12 OCT 1916
			Joined Battalion	22 OCT 1916	
			With BATT.	28. 1. 17	
15 APR 1917	OC. Bn.	MISSING	France	14 APR 1917	B 213
			<i>[Handwritten Signature]</i>		
			G I/c No 1 Reg Infantry Section		
			G.H.C. 2nd Echelon		

[Handwritten Signature]

(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.

[P.T.O.]

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

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Forms
B. 121.
29.

Regiment of 1st Newfoundland

Number of Sheet First

Signature of O. G. Company C.R. Ayre Capt

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay
No.	<u>Mercer, W.</u>	Age on <u>20</u> years <u>6</u> months		<u>Shoe Maker</u>	
Joined _____ Date _____	Place and Date of Enlistment		Religion	<u>C of England</u>	
Joined _____ Date _____	<u>P. John</u> <u>Apr. 27. 16</u>		Place of Birth		
Joined _____ Date _____	Period of { with Colours <u>353</u> days with Reserve _____ years.		<u>Newfoundland</u>		
Joined _____ Date _____					

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>P. John's</u>	<u>June 26/16</u>			<u>Absent from 9.30 pm to 10.30 pm without leave.</u>	<u>Corp. J. Murphy</u> <u>L. Coy. J. Crane</u>	<u>3 days C.B.</u>		<u>Capt. C.R. Ayre</u>	<u>100</u>
<u>Racecourse</u>	<u>4.9.16</u>			<u>Absent 6.30 a.m. parade</u>	<u>Cpl. Gorman</u>	<u>3 days C.B.</u>		<u>Capt. Renaud</u>	<u>80</u>
<u>Terine</u>	<u>27.9.16</u>			<u>Late 3.45 p.m. parade</u>	<u>Lt. Musgrave</u>	<u>deprives 1 days pay</u>		<u>Capt. Renaud</u>	<u>80</u>
				<u>Missing 14⁴ 7⁷</u>					

To be carried over

C.R. 2615

January 14th 1920.

Leander Mercer Esq.,
Harbour Grace.

Wm. Mercer, Deceased.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of January 8th,
I would be glad if you would return the Scroll
for correction.

Yours faithfully,

Lt.Col.
Chief Staff Officer.

H. M. B. Grace
March 26/20

W. F. Pender
Dear Sir

Concerning those
Separation Allowance
Forms

I would be much
obliged if you
would send
me over those
Application Form
to look over
or fill out
as the case may be

2615 Private
William M. Mear
wasnt my sole
support but
he was my
only son, only
I little boy
of 4 years

According to my
own thinking and
also others
I am intell
to some thing
hoping it hears
from you
I am yours
Truly Sanders Mear

Address

Sean do Bhriain

Horbury Grace

Water St West

C.R. 2615

March 30th 1920

Mr. Leander Mercer
Water Street
Br. Grace

Dear Sir :-

Your letter of 26th inst. requesting application form for Separation Allowance has come to hand.

In compliance therewith I am attaching hereto the necessary form, which when completed and returned to this Department will be given due consideration

Yours faithfully,

Ident.-Col.

Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 2615

APRIL 13th 1920.

Mr. Maurice Thistle,
Gander Bay.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 5th, covering Cemetery Register Form for the late Pte. Wm. Mercer, which was forwarded to you in error.

Many thanks for your prompt action in returning this Form to us.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

~~1/11/20~~