



FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 1112 Name John [unclear] Corps Co. 8

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| 1. What is your name? | 1. |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. Years Months |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. |
| 6. Are you Married? | 6. |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? | 7. |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? | 8. |
| 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? | 9. |
| 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. |

I, [Signature] 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.

..... SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
..... Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, [Signature] 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..... day of..... 191.....
Signature of Attesting Officer [Signature]

†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, vis:—(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 William Messinger

Apparent age 18 years — months. Height 5 feet 6 inches

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 30 inches
Range of expansion 34 inches

Distinctive marks _____

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Martha Messinger
Candy St. James | Relationship Mother

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 _____									<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries </div>
Joined at _____ on _____									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									
Total Service towards Engagement to _____ [date of discharge] _____ years _____ days									
" " Pensions " _____ [" "] _____ " _____ "									



FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

4152

ATTESTATION OF

No. 4152 Name Wm Messervey Corps C. of E.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- 1. What is your name? 1. William Messervey
- 2. What is your full Address? } 2. Sandy Pt. St. George
- 3. Are you a British Subject? 3. Yes
- 4. What is your age? 4. 18 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

IN THE DURATION OF THE WAR

I, William Messervey 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.

William X Messervey SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

Wm. J. Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, William Messervey 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 22 day of Nov 1917

Signature of Attesting Officer Wm. J. ...

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 Nov 22 1917 }
Place St. John's } Approving Officer.

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No. 4152

Name Messerney W.

Sqn., Batty.,
or Company

D Royal Corps Newfoundland

Date of
enlistment

22-11-17

G.C. 221
BadgesService or
Proficiency PayDate of last entry in
Company Conduct SheetNo. and date
of last drunkPeriod not reckoning towards
freedom from extra fine

Sheet No.

Signature O.O.
Company, etc.W. Messerney
Character
Good

Army Form B. 122.

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	21.7.18	Pte		Defiant of Water Bottle Carrier	Sgt. Smith	1 day Same	21.7.18	drin Mathias	
Field	2.8.18	-		Dirty Rifle & Powder	Sgt. Smith	2 days cc	2.8.18	Capt. Rendell	
									Killed 14/10/18

JOHN K. GORE, VICE PRESIDENT AND ACTUARY
WILBUR S. JOHNSON, VICE PRESIDENT AND COMPTROLLER
EDWARD GRAY, VICE PRESIDENT

FORREST F. DRYDEN, PRESIDENT

EDWARD D. DUFFIELD, VICE PRES. AND GENERAL SOLICITOR
WILLARD I. HAMILTON, SECRETARY



C.R. 4152

The Prudential Insurance Company of America

CLAIM DEPARTMENT

WILLIAM A. DENNIS, MANAGER OF INDUSTRIAL SECTION

HOME OFFICE, NEWARK, N. J.

IN RE William Messervey.

R/CF

February 20, 1919.

Minister of Militia,
Newfoundland Military Force,
St. John, Nfld.

Dear Sir:-

Please furnish us with a Transcript of Death of Private William Messervey, Serial #4152 who was reported killed in action on October 14, 1918, in order that we may make settlement of an insurance claim on his life.

I remain,

Very truly yours,


Manager.

10/3/19

Mr. A. Dennis, Esq.,
Manager of Industrial Section
The Prudential Insurance Coy.,
of America
Newark, New Jersey

Dear Sir:-

Attached hereto find Certificate
of the death of the late No. 4154, Private
William Messervey, of the Royal Newfoundland
Regiment, in accordance with your request of
Feb. 20th.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

Anglo-American Telegraph Company

C.R. 4152

CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED	
Fast Day Message	
Day Letter	
Night Letter	
Patrons should mark an X opposite the class of service desired; OTHERWISE THE TELEGRAM WILL BE TRANSMITTED AS A FAST DAY MESSAGE.	

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EIGHT TRANS-ATLANTIC CABLES

AUTOMATIC DUPLEX SYSTEM.

Important Messages should be repeated—		Attention is called to the Importance of legible writing.	
CHECK	TELEPHONE 378 FOR MESSENGER.	Received	TINR Sent

SEND the following telegram subject to the terms }
on back hereof which are hereby agreed to.

Date Nov. 5th, 1914 191

St. John's, Dept. of Militia.

Martha Messervey,
14 Hard Street,
Halifax, N.S.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No. 4152. Private William Messervey killed in action Oct. 14th. Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J.R. Bennett,
Minister of Militia.

Note for Operator:

This message is not delivered until Receiving Office notifies that Message to Church of England Minister, Hard Street or Vicinity.

C.P. 4152

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Date Nov. 5th, 1918. 191

~~To~~ St. John's Dept. of Militia.

~~British~~ British ~~Minister~~ Minister,
Hard Street or Vicinity,
Halifax, N.S.

Regret to inform you Record Office, London, reports to-day No. 4152,
Private William Messervey Killed in action Oct. 14th. Please inform
next kin of kin Martha Messervey.

J.R. Bennett,
Minister of Militia.

Chgo Dept. of Militia.

Newfoundland Postal Telegraphs

SERVICE MESSAGE



Time received by Time sent by

From

To

Postal John J. R. Bennett

Sandy point notices
Your message of 4th
Martha messervey
undelivered party now
residing 14 Hard Street
Halifax

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



Cable Connection with all the World

CR 4152

All Messages Sent are Subject to the Following Conditions:

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

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

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

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

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

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____ Address Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated

Nov. 4th 1918

To

Church of England Minister or School Teacher, Hr. Grace

Regret to inform you Record Office, London reports to-day
No. 4152, Private William Messervey killed in action Oct. 14th
Please inform next of kin Martha Messervey

J. R. Bennett

Minister of Militia.

Chge Dept of Militia.

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Signature of Sender _____

Address Dept of Militia

Line Number	Recd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated **Nov. 4th, 1918**To **Martha Messervey, Sandy Point,**

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London,
officially reports **No. 4152, Private William
Messervey killed in action Oct. 14th**

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J.R. Bennett

Minister of Militia.

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

This Message is not to be delivered until Receiving Office notifies that Message to **Church of England
Minister or School Teacher**
has been received and acted upon

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 4152

CLASS OF SERVICE
Fast Day Message
Day Letter
Night Letter
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CHECK	TELEPHONE 378 FOR MESSENGER.	TIME	
		Received	Sent
SEND the following telegram subject to the terms } on back hereof which are hereby agreed to.		Date	Nov. 21st., 1918. 191
To Prudential Ins. Co., Halifax, N.S.			

IN ANSWER YOUR TELEGRAM OF NOVEMBER 20th. I BEG TO
UNFORM YOU THAT NO. 4152 PRIVATE WILLIAM MESSERVEY
WAS KILLED IN ACTION OCT. 14th.,

J. R. BENNETT
MINISTER OF MILITIA.

Copy

C.R. 4152

CLASS OF SERVICE	SYMBOL
Day Message	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a day message. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

ANGLO-AMERICAN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED

CONNECTING WITH
THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

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Day Message	
Day Letter	Blue
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Night Letter	N L

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8 21 NIGHTLETTER

HALIFAX NS NOV 20

R B BENNETT

STJOHNS

NIGHT LETTER

ST. JOHN'S, N.F.
NOV 21 1918

KINDLY VERIFY BY TELEGRAM DEATH OF NO 4152 PRIVATE WILLIAM MESSERVEY
KILLED IN ACTION OCTOBER 14TH.

PRUDENTIAL INS CO

C.R. 4152

Extract from Casualties received from War Office List
No. C. 1731 dated 31-10-18.

~~3002 Pte. J. Messervey~~

4152 Pte. W. Messervey

Killed in Action 14-10-18.

C.R. 4152

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

#4152 Pte. W. Messervey.

BOOK KEPT BY
BOOK BOUND
BOOK BOUND

C.R. 4152

Extract of General Bell Draft "H" Company Attached
U.S. "Florice" Jan. 29th, 1918.

4152 Pte. Messervy W.

4152

C.R.

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Unit The Royal Nfld.

Regt., Nov. 23rd, 1917.

4152 Pte. W. Messervey.

Attended for General Service with the Nfld. Regt., with
effect from Nov. 22nd, 1917.

W. Messervy

C.R. 4152

T.F.R.O.

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname Messervy Christian Name William

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Sandy Pt. St. Georges County Nfld.

SPECIAL RESERVE.

REGULAR ARMY.

Examined	on <u>22</u> day of <u>Nov</u> 191 <u>7</u>	on	day of	191
	at <u>St. John's</u>	at		
Declared Age	<u>18</u> years		years	days
Trade or Occupation	<u>Fisherman</u>			
Height	<u>5</u> feet	<u>6</u> inches	feet	inches
Weight	<u>121</u> <u>54</u> lbs.			lbs.
Chest Measure-ment	Girth when fully expanded	<u>35</u> inches		inches
	Range of Expansion	<u>3 1/4</u> inches		inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left
	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R. E.—V= <u>66</u>		R. E.—V=	
	L. E.—V= <u>6 1/2</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>Lamm & Paterson</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Major</u>		Medical Officer.	Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at <u>St. John's</u>	at		
	on <u>22</u> day of <u>Nov</u> 191 <u>7</u>	on	day of	191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Transferred to	<u>1st Nfld Regt</u>	<u>4137</u>		
Became non-effective by	on	day of	191	on
[Signature]			day of	191
[Rank]				

Table II.—Only for admission to hospital or to the sick list in case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.

Name of Hospital	Admitted to Hospital			Discharged from Hospital			Disease	Number Days in Hospital	Remarks bearing on the cause, nature or treatment of the case likely to be of interest or of future use. In 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
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year				
<i>Hazley Down.</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>MAR</i>	<i>1918</i>	<i>Measles</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Reconvalesced. Discharged to duty</i>	<i>H. J. Form Capt R.M.C.</i>

FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT OR CORPS } 1st Newfoundland Regt. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } D.



Regimental No. 4152 Rank Private

Surname Messervy. Christian Names W.

Died { Date 14 OCT 1918 Place Belgium.

Cause of Death* Killed in Action

Nature and Date of Report B 213 d/21-10-18.

By whom made O. U. Unit.

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

COPIES SENT		
To	No.	DATE
M. OF M.	21445/214	12-28/12/18
Q.C. 1st Flw		
2ND. BR.		

State whether he leaves a Will or not (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not received (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not received
(c) as a separate document None received

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will be found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Station and Date } 29 OCT 1918 Signature of Officer in charge of Section } [Signature]
Adjutant-General's Office at the Base }
For Officer i/c No. 1 Infantry Section
3rd Echelon General Headquarters

TO,- The Chief Paymaster,
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.
4152	Pte.	Meservey W.	\$2 ⁵⁰ / ₁₀₀	

I have the honour to be, Sir,

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
Your obedient servant.

Date

28-6-18

~~W. Meservey~~
W. Meservey

Hessney, L

4152

May Sept.

ORIGINAL.

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps **ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.**
 No. 4152 Rank Pte Name Messervey W.
 Died (a) Intestate at France on the 14th of October 191 8
 Deserted at on the of 191 .

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

Commanding Squadron, Troop,
Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Form 1.

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.	
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month 14/10/18	8	1	2	
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to				
		£	s.	d.	Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to				
	191				Messing allowance days at from to				
	"				Kit allowance				
	"								
	"								
	Consolidated stoppage								
	Balance due by the Paymaster	8	1	2	Balance due to the Paymaster				
		£	8	1		£	8	1	2

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to 12 JUN 1919 and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

CHECKED.
P.S.A.
12 JUN 1919



NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

191 . CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I.C. RECORDS
Paymaster.

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

Dated at this

- (a) Here state whether the soldier died Intestate, or whether he left a Will. In the latter case the Will should be annexed hereto, if not already sent to War Office with Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.
- (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

ORIGINAL.

Army Form O. 1625.

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CHECKED.
 P. J. A.
 12 JUN 1919

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT
 VICTORIA ST.
 12 JUN 1919
 PAY & RECORD OFFICE

191 CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS
 Paymaster.

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular and that the debtor balance is *correctly chargeable against the Contingent*
 Dated at this

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FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT) "1st Newfoundland Regt." Squadron, Troop, } D.
OR CORPS) Battery or Company }

Regimental No. 4152 Rank Private

Surname Messhervey, Christian Names W.

Died { Date 14 OCT 1918 Place Belgium.

Cause of Death* Wounded in Action

Nature and Date of Report B 213 d/21-10-18.

By whom made O.V. Unit.

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



State whether he leaves (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 6) Not received (b) in Small Book (if at Base) Not received
a Will or not (c) as a separate document None received

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Station and Date } 29 OCT 1918 Signature of Officer in charge of Section } Thomas G. J.
Adjutant-General's Office at the Base }

For Officer i/c No 1 Infantry Section

3rd Echelon General Headquarters



NEWFOUNDLAND AGRICULTURAL BOARD.

11 February, 1918.

Hon. J. R. Bennett,
Minister of Militia.

Dear Sir,

A few days since I wrote you in connection with an allotment and separation allowance for a Mrs. Martha Messurvey of Sandy Point, whose son is now with the detachment of the Nfld. Regiment on its way to England.

I herewith enclose to you a filled-in application form for a separation allowance for the said Mrs. Messurvey and I also enclose you a letter in connection therewith from the Revd. Mr. Butler, C. of E. clergyman of Sandy Point.

You will notice by the Revd. Mr. Butler's letter that he had to arrange to get a barrel of flour for Mrs. Messurvey's family. I do not think that it reflects credit upon us as a people to permit that the family of any of our volunteers should be subjected to such privation, especially when it is the direct result of the man's self-sacrifice and appreciation of his duty to his Country, and these characteristics assuredly have been shown by Messurvey who, despite the fact that he was the sole support of his family, volunteered and tho' he has been two months in training and is now on his way to England, not a solitary cent has so far been received by his mother for her support and that of her children.

The Government and the Department of Militia are doing all that it is possible to do to secure recruits, but I very much fear that a great deal of what is being thus done is largely negatived by individual cases of what the public view as indifference or neglect. I fully realise that there are difficulties in dealing promptly with cases of this character, but I also believe that every effort should be made with the view of eliminating from the public mind the idea that any deprivation will result from the answering of the call of Empire at the present time.

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NEWFOUNDLAND AGRICULTURAL BOARD.

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For some time I have been noticing that there is a substratum of opinion being entertained, at least in St. George's District, that the full measure of appreciation has not been ^{shown} ~~done~~ to volunteers, and the recent action of the Pensions' Board in the Delaney and one or two other cases has had a tendency to intensify this. As you are aware, St. George's has responded very fully to the demands made upon it for both Army and Navy, and the sentiment in the district to-day is as ripe as it was at the beginning, and I sincerely trust that the causes of dissatisfaction that are now in evidence may be removed by promptly dealing in future with cases of the Messurvey and Delaney type, so that the district may be as earnest in the future as it has been in the past to maintain the desirable record that it has established.

I have no doubt that you will agree with me in thinking that the Messurvey case is one that should be dealt with promptly, and I shall be very pleased to have an assurance from you to convey to the Revd. Mr. Butler that this family's claim will be promptly considered.

I am,

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'J. J. Downey'. The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name 'Yours very truly,'.

THE RECTORY,
SANDY POINT,
ST. GEORGES.

Feb. 8. 18

Dear Mr. Worsley

Please attend breakfast
as soon as possible as the
poor woman has not heard of
how her son since he went
last year 3 months ago.
He is now on the way to
Eng. I believe. Also see
that his allotment of say
£15 a mo is sent to his
mother in addition to the
separation allowance.

only yesterday I had to
send a barrel of flour to
the family as they had none.

I am just starting for
Robinson.

Am glad you are going
to the Sandy Pt. Wharf to build

Yours faithfully

E. Q. Miller

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

MOTHER.

(Separation Allowance Branch.)

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

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

THE PAYMASTER
Separation Allowance Branch,
St. John's Nfld.

1. Name in full of Soldier. Rank Reg't. or Unit Reg't. No.

William M Messervy Private 1st Newfoundland 4152.

2. Age of Soldier Married or Single.

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Single

3. Name in full of Mother Age Occupation Permanent Address.

Martha Jane Messervy 39 Charwoman Sandy Point S. Georges Nfld.

4. Give name of your husband. Age Occupation Where employed.

Josias Messervy

5. If your husband is not supporting you state the reason.

Dead

6. If your husband is a chronic invalid and totally incapacitated state nature of malady. (A medical certificate must be enclosed with this document stating from what date husband has been totally incapacitated and for how long incapacity is likely to continue)

7. If you are a widow, state date and place of death of your husband.

*Killed Sydney Street
3rd January 1911*

8. Have you married again since death of above mentioned husband?

No

9. Names of your other Children Address in Full. Age. Occupation Married or Single.

<i>Maud Messervy</i>	<i>Sandy Pt S. Georges</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>at school</i>	<i>Single</i>
<i>Louisa Messervy</i>		<i>14</i>		
<i>Clair Messervy</i>		<i>12</i>		
<i>Edwards Messervy</i>		<i>16</i>	<i>working in help</i>	

10. State amount earned by (a) yourself (a) 50⁰⁰
 (b) Your husband (b) _____

11. State amount and source of any other income. *no*

12. State value of Real Property belonging to you and your husband. \$ 100⁰⁰

13. State value of personal property belonging to you and your husband. \$ 100⁰⁰

14. If husband is dead state value of Real and personal Property left by him. \$ 100⁰⁰

15. Actual amount contributed by soldier during the year prior to enlistment. \$ 200⁰⁰

16. Was this amount contributed weekly or monthly. *Yearly*

17. Did this amount include payment of son's Board etc. *yes*

18. State your son's trade or occupation prior to enlistment. *Carpenter*

19. State amount of his wages per week. \$ 2⁰⁰

20. State name and address of his last employer. *Charles Pannel Sandy Point*

21. State amount of support monthly from son since enlistment. *nothing*

22. State amount of Allotment received by you from son monthly. *nothing*

23. From what date did you receive Allotment? _____

24. Actual amount contributed by other children } Weekly _____ Monthly _____

25. Are any of these children in the employ of you or husband? *no*

26. If not receiving support from other children state cause, Explain fully. *Girls too young, Cecil at school, Edward Westminded*

27. With whom are you residing at present. *Self and children*

28. Have you made a previous claim for Separation Allowance,? If not, Why? Give particulars. *no Want of knowledge about it*

29. Are you already in receipt of Separation Allowance from any source? If so, how much? *no*

Also amount for 50⁰⁰ per week from _____

30. Are you in receipt of any payment from any Patriotic Fund? If so, how much. *no*

31. Was the Soldier at time of his enlistment an employee of the Newfoundland Government. *no*

32. In what capacity and in what place. _____

33. Is he in receipt of a salary as such while serving in the 1st. Nfld. 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 violation of the Evidence Act.

Signature of Applicant..... *Martha Messery*

Place of Residence *Sandy Point St. Georges Newfoundland*

Declared and subscribed before me at..... *Sandy Point*

this *Seventh* day of..... *February*1918

Signature of Barrister of the Supreme Court, Stipendiary Magistrate, Notary Public or Justice of the Peace. *Edmond Frost JP*

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 above Soldier, first mentioned, is the sole support of the applicant.

Signature of Clergyman *Rev. E. A. Butler*
Sandy Point, St. Georges.

Signature of Member of Patriotic Fund Committee. *Wilfred C. LeRoux*

Approved 28/2/18

W.P.B.
W.P.R.
W.P.

J.R.

14 hurd street
Halifax
N. S.
Nov 26th / 18

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J. R. Bennett Esq
St Johns W. fld

Dear Sir,

My son's ^{Private} # 4152.
William Messervey was killed
on October 14th 1918

I Hearby make applica
tion for his back pay mother
effects and that I have
married again since com
ing to Halifax to Mr Charles
Russell Please send to
my address as above
yours sincerely
Mrs Martha Russell

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 49 $\frac{41}{100}$

Aug 19 19 19

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of Forty nine $\frac{41}{100}$ Dollars.
on account of Pay. Estate
balance

Ch. No. 8145	Initials. R/S
Pay Ledger 4	Initials. W
Gen. Ledger	Initials.

Regtl. No. 7. 

Rank

No. 4152.

Rank

Plt

Name

W. Messervey

14 Ward Street

Dalyan N.S.

Sept. 5, 1919

Mrs. Martha Messervey, 14, Hurd Street,
Halifax,
N.S.

Dear Madam:

I enclose herewith cheque
for \$49.41, balance of estate of late
Wm. Messervey, due you as Administratrix of
his estate.

I am also enclosing here-
with Letters of Administration.

Yours truly

Capt.
For Paymaster

LM/
Enc. 2

Halifax N.S.

Dec 29th 1919

08098

4152

Dear Sir

I Am writing you
 this letter to find out
 about my son William
 Messeroy who enlisted in Sept
 1917 and was killed in Oct
 1918 and I have not received
 any gratuity Am I entitled
 to it will you kindly write
 and let me know

Sincerely yours

Mrs Martha Messeroy

Address

14 Hard st
 Halifax N.S.

No. not to gratuity
 Apply to Pension Bd,

January 9th 1920.

4152

Mrs. Martha Messervey,
14, Hardy Street,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of recent date (8998) I beg to inform you that War Service Gratuity is not payable to Dependents of deceased soldiers of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

I would advise you to apply to the Board of Pension Commissioners, stating case, and giving full particulars.

Yours truly.

Lieut.
For Paymaster

RS/.

4152

Sept. 20, 1919

Mrs. Matha Messervey,
14 Hurd Street,
Halifax,
N.S.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of 15/9/19 (6482), I beg to inform you that no gratuity is payable on account of deceased soldiers of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

I would suggest that you apply to the Board of Pensions Commissioners Militia Bldg., St. John's, stating particulars as to his being your only support.

Yours truly,

Lieut.
For Paymaster

14. Hurd St.

6482

Halifax, N.S.

15. 9. 19.

Sir

Would you kindly inform me, if there is any Gratuity money due me, re the services of my late son Pte W. Messervey Regt No 4152 as he was my only support, & if so I would be very pleased to hear from you.

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Yours Truly

Martha Messervey

— " —

No gratuity
apply to Bd. of Pens.
Commissioner



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,

John's.

..... Halifax 1921

RECEIVED
MILITIA
NOV 21 1921
ST. JOHN'S

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 4152 Rank Private
Name William Messerney
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

4152

..... Mrs. Jas. Russell (Sgd)
Mother Relationship.

Address..... 14 Hurd Street

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

OCT 5 1921.

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

Mrs. Martha Messervey (Mother)

in respect of his service as No. 4152 Rank Pte.

Name William Messervey

Royal Nfld. Regt.

Nfld. Forestry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Went October 12

Signature Mrs Martha Messervey

Date 1921

Address 14 hurd street Halifax, N.S.

[P.T.O.]

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

Forms
B 121
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Number of Sheets One

Regiment of 1st / 7th Wiltshire

Signature of O. C. Company [Signature]

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay
No.	<u>Missary. W.</u>	Age on	18 years - months	<u>Fireman</u>	
Joined		Date	Place and Date of Enlistment	Religion	
Joined		Date	}	<u>St. Lukas.</u>	
Joined		Date	Period of	with Colours <u>327</u> years.	Place of Birth
Joined	Date	}	with Reserve <u>365</u> years.		

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>Hazley Down camp.</u>	<u>2/3/18</u>	<u>Pte</u>		<u>Destroying Government Property Sgt. Tuff.</u>		<u>Pay for damage</u>	<u>6/3/18</u>	<u>Lt. Col. R. Demers, & Co.</u>	<u>J.P.</u>
				<u>Killed in Action</u>			<u>14</u>		<u>10</u> <u>11</u>

To be carried over

Halifax N.S.
CR. 4152
March 24/20

Dear Sir

I hereby
acknowledge the
receipt of the moral
sermon, thanking
you very much
for forwarding it to
me

Respectfully yours

Wm M. Mumby
14 Hard St

Halifax
N.S.

14 Hurd St.
Halifax
N.S.

Feb. 1st 1911.

Dr. W. W. Blackall
St John's:

Dear Sir:

could you
manage to let me know as to
where I could get a photo of
No. 4152. Private William Messervey
of the 1st Royal Newfoundland
Regiment, who was killed in action
in France, I, the mother of

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This boy would very much
like a photo of him, and would
be very much obliged to you
if you could send me a photo
or direct me as to where I
could get one.

Trusting my letter will receive
your earliest consideration, and
hoping to be favoured with a
reply as soon as possible

Oblige

Yours Very Truly
Mr Charles Russell

C.R. 4152

Mrs. M. Messervey

14. Hurde. Street.

Halifax, N.S.

Feb. 4th 1921

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Lieut - Col

Chief Staff Officer
Department of Militia
St. Johns. Nfld.

Dear Sir

I would like to know if I
am entitled to a widow's
Medal of my dear son that was
killed overseas. pri Wm. Messervey
no. 4152 as all the widows
are receiving them. & I cant
see why I am not entitled
to one also. I would like
you to let me know as soon

As possible & oblige
yours truly
Mrs. Martha Messervey
14 Hurde Street
Halifax. N. S.

No war medals yet recd from
W.O.
Will be forwarded when recd

C.R. 4152

Feb. 15th., 1921

Mrs. Martha Messervey,
14 Hurds Street,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Madam:-

Your letter of Feb. 4th has been received and noted. I would state in reply that the Medals to which the late Pte. Messervey is entitled, have not yet been received from the War Office, London; but when this Department has received them, we shall forward them to you without delay.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

WWE/B

February 21, 1921.

Mrs. Charles Russell,
14 Hurd Street,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mrs. Russell:

I have your letter of the 1st instant asking me whether it is possible for us to manage to secure a photograph of No. 4152, Pte. William Messervey, who was killed in action. I may say that I am always desirous of affording any help and comfort that I possibly can to the mothers of those who gave their lives in the Great War.

I am placing your letter in the hands of Lieut. Col. Rendell, Chief Staff Officer, and I am sure that if there is any way of supplying you with a photograph, he will see that it is done.

Yours faithfully,

Sup't Education (C. of E.)

C.R. 4152

OFFICE
SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION,
CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

SUPERINTENDENT: W.W. BLACKALL, B.A., D.C.L., M.B.E.
ASST. SUPERINTENDENT: S.C. THOMPSON.

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Department of Education

(CHURCH OF ENGLAND)

WWB/B

MILITIA BUILDING, *St. John's*

February 21, 1921.

Lt.-Col. Rendell, C.S.O.,
Militia Building,
CITY.

Dear Lt.-Col:

Enclosed is a letter which I have just received from Mrs. Charles Russell, 14 Hurd Street, Halifax. She is the mother of No. 4152, Pte. William Messervey. I also enclose a copy of my reply thereto. I shall be glad if you will give the matter your kind and sympathetic attention.

Mrs. 765 Hurd Street Halifax

Yours faithfully,

W.W. Blackall

Sup't Education (C. of E.)

CR 4152

February 24th, 1921.

Dr. W. W. Blackall,
Sup't. of Education, (C. of E).

Dear Sir,

Your favour of February 21st, has been duly received forwarding a letter from Mrs. Russell of 14 Hurd Street, Halifax, with reference to her son #4152 Pte. William Messervey. The matter of obtaining a photograph of this soldier will be taken in hand at once.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.
Chief Staff Officer.

CP 4152

February 24th, 1921.

The Holliday Studio,
C I T Y.

Dear Sir,

Can you please supply this Department with a photograph of 4152 Pte. William Messervey whose mother, Mrs. Charles Russell of 14 Hurd Street, Halifax, is asking for one. This Department will pay the cost and endeavour to get a refund.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.
Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 4152

April 20th, 1921

Mrs. Charles Russell,
14 Hurd Street
Halifax
N.S.

Dear Madam:-

Reference to your letter addressed to Dr. W.W. Blackall relative to having a photograph of the late No. 4152 Pte. Messervey, deceased, I beg to forward herewith copy of photograph which he had taken at the Holloway Studio, just after his enlistment, and I trust you will receive it safely.

Yours truly,

Lieut.-Col.,
Chief Staff Officer

C.R. 4152

#14 Hurd Street.

Halifax, N.S.

Feb. 21st /22.

Lieut. Col. W. Rendell
Chief Staff Officer.
St. John's.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of photograph of the Grave of #4152 Pte. W. Messenger.

Many thanks for same.

Yours Very Truly
(Mrs) Martha Messenger