



# First Newfoundland Regiment

## ATTESTATION PAPER

Regimental No. 1471

Name in full Charles Albert Parsons Age 24

Address Stephenville Crossing,

~~Married~~ Height 5ft 9 in Weight 140

Single Color Fresh Hair Light Brown Eyes Blue

Other distinguishing marks Scar on forehead,

Nearest relative Mother (Matilda.)

Address Stephenville Crossing,

Dependents Mother (Partly).

Occupation Fisherman Present Wage \$40<sup>00</sup> per month

Previous service.....

Decorations.....

General Remarks.....

Date of Enlistment April 24<sup>th</sup> 1915.

I, Charles Albert Parsons, do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty, and that I will faithfully serve His Majesty in any place where I may be needed (or in the Colony of Newfoundland, as the case may be), against all His enemies and opposers whatsoever, according to the condition of my service.

Charles A. Parson

Declared before me this 27 day  
of April 1915

J. Williams  
Lieut.

# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.

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

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Chest measurement { Girth when fully expanded \_\_\_\_\_ inches.  
 Range of expansion \_\_\_\_\_ inches.

Distinctive marks **Colors: Fresh, Hair: Light Brown, Eyes: Blue.**

**Other distinguishing marks: Scar on forehead.**

## INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.

Name and Address of next of kin **Matilda Parsons, Stephenville Crossing, Wfld.**

| 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) Signature of Officer verifying entry from certificate.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
			Verified from certificate.

### Particulars as to Children.

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth	(d)
		Verified from certificate.

## STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES.

Corps in which served	Regt. or Depot	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					years	days	years	days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <b>Ap. 24/15</b>									
Joined at <b>St. John's</b> on <b>Ap. 24/15</b>									
Total Service forfeited as above ... ..									
Total Service towards Engagement to _____ (date of discharge) _____ years _____ days									
" " " Pension " _____ ( " ) _____ " "									

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<i>Missing 1/7/16</i>									
<i>Embarked St. John's Nfld. 2-16-16 for UK 20/16</i>									
<i>Disembarked Charnell 2-16-16</i>									
<i>Joined Battalion 3-4-16</i>									
<i>Embarked Southampton 13-3-16</i>									
<i>Killed in Action 1-7-16</i>									
Total Service forfeited as above ... ..									
Total Service towards Engagement to <b>1-7-16</b> (date of discharge) <sup>rank</sup> <b>1</b> years <b>6</b> days									
" " " Pension " ( " ) " "									



Regimental Number 1471

Company \_\_\_\_\_

THE  
1st NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

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I hereby enlist for service at home or abroad in the King's Forces under the following conditions:

For the duration of the present war, or until my discharge.

Subject to the Army Act, the King's Regulations, and to such ordinances as may apply or may be made to apply to the British Regular Army.

Subject to the Newfoundland Volunteer Act, 5 George V., Chapter IV.

Signed Charlie Parson

Witness Robertson

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_



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C.R. 1471

Charles A. Parsons was attested for General service  
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on ..... April 24th 1915.  
Regimental No 1471 was allotted to Pte. C.A. PARSONS.

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

C.R. 1471

Extract from Nominal Roll of Nfld. Regt. Embarked Devon-  
port 13-3-16 for Egypt, transferred to B.E.F. & Disem-  
barked Marseilles 3-4-16.

1471 Pte. G A. Parsons.



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November 23rd, 1916.

Dear Madam,

For some time past the Imperial Government have been making enquiries in relation to those men of the First Newfoundland Regiment who have been reported missing since the action of the 1st July. I very much regret to state, however, that from the correspondence which has taken place, a copy of which I enclose, it is evident that none of them are Prisoners of War in Germany, and the authorities are, therefore, reluctantly forced to the conclusion that all these gallant men, whose names are given in the enclosed list, and one of whom was very dear to you, were killed in that fateful action on the 1st of July.

I desire to express to you on behalf of the Government, as well as for myself, the sincerest sympathy in this time of sorrow. We feel the loss of our loved ones, but it will, no doubt, be some consolation to you to think that he, for whom you now mourn, willingly answered the call of King and Country, did his part nobly, and fell, facing the foe, in defence of the principles of Righteousness, Truth and Liberty. Though he has laid down the earthly weapons of warfare, he now wears the Soldier's Crown of Victory, and his name will be inscribed upon the Glorious Roll of Honor, and be held in fragrant memory by all his fellow-countrymen. When the victory is won, and Peace again reigns upon the earth, it will be a comforting thought to you that in this glorious achievement he bore no small part.

I trust that you may have the Grace and consolation of the Great Father of us all at this time.

With sincere sympathy,

Believe me to be,

Your obedient servant,

Mrs. Matilda Parsons,  
Stephenville Crossing.

Colonial Secretary.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated 31st July, 1916.

To Mrs. Matilda Parsons,  
Stephenville Crossing.

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,  
London, officially reports No. 1471 Private Charles  
A. Parsons as Missing.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.



C.R. 1471

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record Office,  
London, dated July 31, 1916.

(Extract from Army Form B. 213 from O.C. Nfld. Regt.  
dated 1/7/16/)

#1471 Pte. A.A. Parsons, B. Co.,

Missing 1/7/16 .

C.R. 1471

# 1471 PARSONS C.A.

EXTRACT OF CASUALTY RECEIVED FROM THE P & R O. 7.11.16.

"REPORTED MISSING JULY 1,,1916."

C.R. 1471

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's for Overseas, per  
S.S. "Calgarian" June, 19. 1915. "P".

1471 Pte. Parsons C.A.



C. A. Parsons.

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P.H.O.

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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname: Parsons Christian Name: Charles Albert

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Stephenville Worsing County S. F. L. D.

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>26<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u> 19 <u>15</u>	at <u>St. John's</u>	on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	at _____
Declared Age	<u>24</u> years	_____ days	_____ years	_____ days
Trade or Occupation	<u>Fisherman</u>			
Height	<u>5</u> feet	<u>9</u> inches	_____ feet	_____ inches
Weight		<u>149</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded	<u>36</u> inches		_____ inches
	Range of expansion	<u>3</u> inches		_____ inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated	<u>7 years</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>J. W. Burden</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Lieut.</u>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St. John's</u>		at _____	
	on <u>24<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u> 19 <u>15</u>		on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps. <u>1st S. F. L. D.</u>	Regtl. No. <u>1471</u>	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
	on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>		on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

**Table III.—Boards: Courts of Inquiry, Vaccination, Inoculations, &c.: Examinations for Field or Foreign Service, Extension, Re-engagement, or Prolongation of Service; Issue of Surgical Appliances; Particulars of Dental Treatment, &c.**

Date	Brief Details, and Signature
May 20	First Inoculation 500 Million
June 7	Second " 1000 "
" 25 <sup>th</sup> / 15	Vaccinated at sea J.

**TABLE IV.—SERVICE TABLE.**

Station or Troopship	Date of Arrival or Embarkation	Date of Departure or Disembarkation.	Station or Troopship	Date of Arrival or Embarkation	Date of Departure or Disembarkation
St. Johns n/c.					



No. *1471* Name *Parsons, C. A.* Sqn., Batty., or Company } *G* Corps *1st Inf'd. Regt.* Date of enlistment } *Apr. 24/15* G.C. Badges } Service or Proficiency Pay }  
 Date of last entry in Company Conduct Sheet } No. and date of last drunk } Period not reckoning towards freedom from extra fine } Sheet No. *Clem* Signature O.C. Company, etc. } *J. H. Harris* Character

Place	Date of offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	Offence	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	Remarks
		<i>Pte.</i>							<i>S.E.</i>

Army Form B. 122

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**PAY LIST.**

to 12 July 1916 Voucher No.

Army Form O. 1625.

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps 1st Newfoundland.  
 No. 1471 Rank Cpl Name Ed. Parsons  
 Died (a) Intestate at Frame on the 12 of July 1916  
 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 <u>JUL 1 1916</u> .....	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>6</u>
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
		£	s.	d.	Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	191				Messing allowance days at _____			
	"				from _____ to _____			
	"				Kit allowance .....			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
	Consolidated stoppage .....				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
	<u>2 96/35</u> <u>clothing</u>			<u>12 0</u>	Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<u>12</u>	<u>06</u>		Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		<u>£</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>12 6</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>12 6</u>

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 \_\_\_\_\_ 191 . 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 Italic to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.





Parrons & Co.

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**PAY LIST.**

to 1st July 1916. Voucher No.

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps 1st Newfoundland  
 No. 1471 Rank Private Name C.A. Parsons  
 Died (Intestate) at France on the 1st of July 1916.  
 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.**

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	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to .....			
		£	s.	d.	Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to .....			
	191				Messing allowance days at .....			
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	Consolidated stoppage .....							
	Clothing		12	0	Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	12	0	6	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£	12	12		£	12	12
				6				6

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to 2/2/1916 and is therefore subject to amendment if, and as may be found necessary.

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 12 12 6 is correctly chargeable against the Public<sup>(b)</sup>.

Dated at this **FEB 31 1917**  
 1st NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
 VICTORIA ST. LONDON, E.C.

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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) When there is no debtor balance, tick out when there is no debtor balance.



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 (b) War Office should be sent out when there is no debtor balance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Paymaster.

July 9th.1917.

Mr. John H. Parsons,  
Stephenville Crossing.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith cheque for \$76.52,  
being the balance of the estate of your late son,  
No. 1471, C. A. Parsons.

You will note that the cheque is pay-  
able to yourself and Mrs Parsons. It will there-  
fore be necessary for both of you to endorse it,  
before presenting it for payment.

Yours truly,

Lieut.  
Deputy Paymaster.

**COPY.****Casualty Form—Active Service.**
 Regiment or Corps Newfoundland  
 Regimental No. 1441 Rank Pte. Name Charles A. Parsons.

 Enlisted (a) 24.4.15. Terms of Service (a) Mar. Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_

 Date of promotion } \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment } \_\_\_\_\_ Numerical position on } \_\_\_\_\_  
 to present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended \_\_\_\_\_ Re-engaged \_\_\_\_\_ Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., 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	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		<i>Disembarked Marseilles.</i>		<i>3.4.16.</i>	
	<i>Unit.</i>	<i>Joined Battalion.</i>	<i>France.</i>	<i>8.4.16.</i>	<i>B 213.</i>
<i>11.7.16</i>	<i>Unit.</i>	<i>Missing.</i>	<i>France.</i>	<i>1.7.16</i>	<i>B 213.</i>
					<i>J. Hooley Lieut. Coy No 1 Reg. Inf. Section, G.H.Q. 3rd Ech</i>

(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) e.g., Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.



**Casualty Form—Active Service.**



Regiment or Corps Newfoundland

Regimental No. C.R. 1471 Rank Pte Name Charles A Parsons 773

Enlisted (a) 24. 4. 15 Terms of Service (a) War Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of promotion } \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment } \_\_\_\_\_ Numerical position on }  
 to present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended \_\_\_\_\_ Re-engaged \_\_\_\_\_ Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_

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Date	From whom received				
	<i>unt</i>	<i>Despatched Marseille James Battalion</i>	<i>3. 4. 16. France</i>	<i>8. 4. 16</i>	<i>B 213.</i>
<i>11/7/16</i>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Missing</b>	<b>France</b>	<b>1/7/16</b>	<b>B 215.</b>

*[Handwritten signature]*

COPY SENT TO  
 O.C. H.Q.  
 ST. JOHNS, N.F.L.D.  
 279 6511/73  
 NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 JUL 1917

*[Handwritten signature]* **MAJOR FOR**  
 O. i/c No. 1 Reg. Infantry Section  
 G.H.Q.. 3rd Echelon

(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) e.g., Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

