



# First Newfoundland Regiment

## ATTESTATION PAPER

1137

Regimental No. 1139

Name in full William Russell Age 19

Address Brooklyn, Bonavista Bay

Married  Single  Height 5.9 Weight 139

Color \_\_\_\_\_ Hair \_\_\_\_\_ Eyes \_\_\_\_\_

Other distinguishing marks \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest relative Mrs. Samuel Russell. (Mother)

Address Brooklyn B.B.

Dependents Mother

Occupation Laborer Present Wage \$1.50 a day

Previous service \_\_\_\_\_

Decorations \_\_\_\_\_

General Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Enlistment 17th Feb. 1915.

William Russell, 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.

William Russell

Declared before me this 27th day of Feb. 1915

Wm. [Signature]

**DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.**

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

Reg. No. 1137

Name William Russell

Apparent age 19 years \_\_\_\_\_ months. Height 5 feet 9 inches.

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

Distinctive marks \_\_\_\_\_

**INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT.**

Name and Address of next of kin Mrs. Samuel Russell, Brooklyn, B. Bay, Nfld.

| 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	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. O. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					years	days	years	days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>17/2/15</u>									
Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>17th February '15</u>									
<u>Depentery</u>									
<u>15/10/15</u>									
<u>Willed in Action France 1.7.16</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above .. .. .									
Total Service towards Engagement to _____ (date of discharge) _____ years _____ days									
" " " Pension " _____ ( " ) _____ " "									

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Joined at <u>St. John's</u> on <u>17th February '16</u>									
<i>Embarked S.S. Stephen &amp; Son 20<sup>th</sup> 3. Embarked H.M.S. 20<sup>th</sup> 8</i> <i>Disembarked Key and embarked for Cairo 31-8-15. Embarked for</i> <i>Gallipoli 13-9-15. Landed at on Bag 19-20 September 1915.</i> <i>Admitted 45 Regt. Royal Fusiliers 10-10-15. H.M.S. Bancher 20-1-16. Embarked</i> <i>at 14. 3-16. Embarked 27-3-16</i>									
<i>Killed in Action 1-7-16</i>									
Total Service forfeited as above .. .. .									
Total Service towards Engagement to <u>1-7-16</u> (date of discharge) <u>DEATH</u> / years <u>1</u> / 35 days									
" " Pension " " " " " "									

W. Russell.

C.R. 1137.

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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname Russell Christian Name William

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish..... County.....

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	on	day of	on	day of
Examined	6	Feb		191
	at <u>St Johns.</u>		at	
Declared Age...	19	years		days
Trade or Occupation....	<u>Labourer.</u>			
Height	5	feet	9	inches
Weight			139	lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded...		32	inches
	Range of expansion...		35	inches
Physical Development...				
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right	Left.
	Arm			
	Number			
When Vaccinated	<u>Never.</u>			
Vision	R. E.—V==		R. E.—V==	
	L. E.—V==		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>Cluny Macpherson</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Capt.</u>			
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at	<u>St Johns.</u>	at	
	on	17 day of <u>Feb</u>	on	day of
		1915		191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	<u>1st Royal Regt</u>	Corps.	
	Regtl. No.	<u>1137</u>	Regtl. No.	
Transferred to..				
Became non-effective by.				
	on	day of	on	day of
		191		191
(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
1.7.16	Killed in Action France <i>[Signature]</i>

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 Wfld	Feb 17-05	20 Mar 15			
T.S. "Stephans"	20 Mar 05	22 Mar 15			
T.S. ORDUNA	22 Mar 15	30 Mar 15			
Edinburgh Castle	30 Mar 15				

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NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

INVENTORY of EFFECTS of

No. 1157 Mr. W Russell deceased.

EXTRACT from A.F. B.2090A, dated 2/4/16 :

CAUSE of DEATH Killed in Action

DATE 1/4/16 PLACE France

WILL: (a) in Pay Book Yes (Copy Attached)  
(b) in Small Book \_\_\_\_\_  
(c) Separate document \_\_\_\_\_

NEXT of KIN: Mrs. Leonard Russell  
Relationship Mother  
Address Wrestlers  
Bonaville Bay  
N.F.

Particulars

1 Golden Saver Book  
1 Religious Book



**ORIGINAL**

**FIELD SERVICE.**

*Pages 4*  
*NC*

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, }  
or } Troop, Battery }  
CORPS } or Company }



Regtl. No. 1137 Rank Private

Name Russell, W.

Died { Date July 1st., 1916.  
Place France.  
Cause of Death\* Killed in Action.

Nature and Date of Report B 213, 11/7/16.

By whom made O.C., 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.

Burial { Place Grave No. 4, 1 mile W.N.W. of Hamel, 4 1/2 miles N. of Albert, at Knightsbridge Cemetery.  
Date July 1st., 1916.  
By whom reported Rev. H.S. Reid, att. 87th. Brigade.

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not to hand.  
(b) in Small Book (if at Base) do  
(c) as a separate document do

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.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

*A. Clerk*  
Capt for Lt. Col.,  
Officer i/c Infantry Section,  
3rd. Echelon, B. E. F.

Station and Date 27/7/16.



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Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } (Sgd) A. E. Clerk, Capt for Lt.Col.,  
O. i/c Infantry Section,  
3rd Echelon, B.E.F.

Station and Date 27/7/16.





1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT  
ALLOTMENTS

I, William Russell, Regl. No. 1137

hereby agree, until further notification by me, and in similar official form to make an Allotment of  
Dollars and Eighty Cents, per diem, from my Pay,  
to, and for the benefit of the undermentioned Person <sup>and</sup>/<sub>or</sub> Persons, such payment to be made on proof  
of identity of, and production of the relative Identity Certificates by the Person <sup>and</sup>/<sub>or</sub> Persons  
concerned, viz.:

Identity Certificate No.	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative or Friend	NAME (in full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
1087	Mother	Mrs Edith Russell	Brooklyn B.B.	80
Total Allotment, \$				

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

(Sig.) [Signature]

Officer Commanding  
Company

(Sig.) William Russell

(Rank) [Signature]

H. Johnston  
March 6<sup>th</sup> 1915

PAY LIST.

to 1<sup>st</sup> July

1916. Voucher No.

Army Form O. 1625.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps *1<sup>st</sup> New Zealand*  
 No. *X639 (1137)* Rank *Private* Name *W Russell*  
 Died (a) *in action at France* on the *7<sup>th</sup>* of *July* 191*6*.  
 Deserted at on the of 191*6*.

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>12<sup>th</sup> May 16</i> .....	<i>4</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>2</i>
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay <i>50</i> days at <i>7/10</i> from <i>13/5</i> to <i>1/7/16</i> .....	<i>11</i>	<i>6</i>	
		£	s.	d.	Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay <i>55<sup>00</sup></i> .....			
					days at from _____ to			
	<i>Sept. 21 1916</i> ✓ <i>103</i>				Messing allowance days at			
	<i>28 7 6</i> ✓ <i>104</i>				from _____ to .....			
	<i>13 3 6</i> ✓ <i>10</i>				Kit allowance .....			
	<i>France 31 5 6</i> ✓ <i>106</i>				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from			
	<i>Feb 6</i> ✓ <i>106</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>7</i>	Form 2 .....			
	<i>Allotment</i> <i>50 days @ 80</i> <i>40<sup>00</sup></i> <i>8</i> <i>45</i>				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including			
	Consolidated stoppage .....				interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	<i>4</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>2</i>	Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
		<i>15</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>2</i>	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		<i>15</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>2</i>		<i>15</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>2</i>

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

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

Russell, W<sup>m</sup>.

1137

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DUPLICATE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

FIELD SERVICE.

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Station and Date 27/7/16.

**PAY LIST.**

to 1st July

1916. Voucher No.

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps 1st Newfoundland

No. 1137

Rank Private

Name W. Russell.

Died<sup>(a)</sup> in action at France

on the 1st of July.

1916.

Deserted at

on the of

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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 12th May 16.....	4	9	½
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay 50 days at <sup>1</sup> / <sub>10</sub> from 13/5 to 1/7/16			
	Egypt 21 2 6	10	3		Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay	11	6	
	28 2 191 "	10	4		days at from _____ to			
	13 3 "	10			Messing allowance days at			
	France 31 5 "	10	6		from _____ to .....			
	26 6 "	10	6		Kit allowance .....			
		2	11	7	Amount produced by the sale of Effects from			
	Allotment 50 days @ 80c. <sup>40</sup> / <sub>100</sub>	8	4	5				
	Consolidated stoppage .....							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	4	19	½	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£15	15	½		£15	15	½

This account is in accordance with information received at the Pay & Record Office to 1/7/16 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 is correctly chargeable against the Public<sup>(b)</sup>.



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

## PAY LIST.

to 1st July

1916. Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps 1st Newfoundland

No. 1137

Rank Private

Name W. Russell.

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Deserted at

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					Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay	11	6	
					days at from _____ to _____			
	Egypt 21 2 6	10	3		Messing allowance days at			
	28 2 191 "	10	4		from _____ to _____			
	13 3 "	10			Kit allowance .....			
	France 31 5 "	10	6		Amount produced by the sale of Effects from			
	26 6 "	10	6		Form 2 .....			
		2	11	7	Amount of Savings Bank balance, including			
	Allotment				interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
	50 days @ 80c. $\$40^{20}$	8	4	5	Deferred Pay or Gratuity .....			
	Consolidated stoppage .....				Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	4	19	$\frac{1}{2}$				
		£15	15	$\frac{1}{2}$				
						£15	15	$\frac{1}{2}$

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 23 NOV 1916

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Paymaster.

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 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.



**PAY LIST.**

to 1st July

1918. Voucher No.

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps 1st Newfoundland

No. 1157 Rank Private

Name W. Russell.

Died (or in action) at France

on the 1st of July.

1918.

Deserted at

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	28 2 191	10	4		days at from to			
	13 3	10			Messing allowance days at			
	France 31 5 "	10	6		from to			
	26 6 "	10	6		Kit allowance .....			
		2	11	7	Amount produced by the sale of Effects from			
	Allotment							
	50 days @ 80c. 40 <sup>00</sup>	8	4	5				
	Consolidated stoppage .....							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	4	16	½	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£15	15	½		£15	15	½



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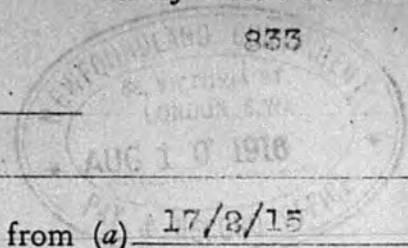
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Paymaster.

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(b) Where it is desired to be credited with an account when there is no soldier balance.

## Casualty Form—Active Service.

COPY.

Regiment or Corps NewfoundlandRegimental No. 1137 Rank Pte Name Russell, W.Enlisted (a) 17/2/15 Terms of Service (a) One Year Service reckons from (a) 17/2/15Date of promotion } \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment } \_\_\_\_\_ Numerical position on } \_\_\_\_\_  
to present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }Extended Duration War Re-engaged Aug 15/15 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				
		Embarked St. Johns Nfld		20/3/15	
		Disembarked Alexandria		1/9/15	
		Embarked for Gallipoli		13/9/15	
16/10/15	"Neuralgia"	Ill, Dysentery A 36	H.S. "Neuralgia"	10/10/15	Auth. A 15047
20/10/15	Citadel, Cairo	Admitted	Citadel Cairo	19/10/15	C 4120
29/1/16	Unit	With Battalion	Unit	26/1/16	B 213
		Embarked Port Suez		14/3/16	
		Disembarked Marseilles		22/3/16	
11/7/16	Unit	Killed in Action	France	1/7/16	B 213
					Sgd. A.E. Clerk, Capt for O i/c Infantry Records 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, Shooting Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

P.T.O.

file

Brooklyn  
July 24/1917

Captain Walter  
Dear Sir

I am writing  
these few lines to you  
to know if there is any money  
due me on the lost of my  
son in the Great War  
Private William Russell No 1137  
was killed in action July  
1st 1916 at Westmont Hamel  
I havent got any money  
since the year 1918 if there  
is any granted for me I would  
like to get it I need it  
\$24.80 cents was the most  
I use to get. The War Pension  
paper came to me to get signed  
I havent any education but  
there was nothing showed  
that I was in need of it

there is lots getting their  
money and dont need it as bad  
as I do. Mr. Mc. Rath say I  
am not to get the War  
Pension because my husband  
is alive and I have a son  
at the age of 18 and one at  
age of 14 but Dear Sir  
& the one at 14 is a school boy  
he earns nothing and the  
one at 18 what he earns he  
want it himself the way  
everything is now and my  
husband earns what he can  
home and that is not much  
I have 4 children not able  
to earn for them self  
please find out a.

yours truly  
E. Dith  
Russell



**Civil Re-Establishment Committee**  
 MILITIA BUILDING,  
 St. John's, Newfoundland.

5950

HON. MR. JUSTICE KENT, CHAIRMAN.	R. B. JOB, ESQ., H. E. COWAN, ESQ.,	} VICE-CHAIRMEN.
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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO  
 VOCATIONAL OFFICER,  
 MILITIA BUILDING ST JOHN'S.

July 31, 1919.

Captain Howley,  
 Officer in Charge of Pay & Records,  
 CITY.

Dear Sir,

The enclosed letter is from Mrs. Edith Russell of Brooklyn,  
 Bonavista Bay. Kindly give her the information she desires if it  
 is in your power to do so.

Yours faithfully,

*S. Murphy*  
 Captain  
 For V. O.

*Balance paid to Samuel Russell of Brooklyn*  
 Nov 7/17      Bal 33<sup>09</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

SEPARATION ALLOWANCE.

Claimant, *Edith Russell* ..... *Mother*  
On account of *W<sup>m</sup> Russell* ..... No. *1137* ... Rank. *Pvt.*

Decision. *Refused*  
*Husband not totally incapacitated*  
.....  
.....

Date. *March 27/1920*  
*W<sup>m</sup> Russell Lieut. Col.,*  
*1<sup>st</sup> Bowley, Wagon*

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

Allotment of *80<sup>cts</sup>* per day payable to *Edith Russell*  
his *Mother* from *27/3/19* to *28/2/19*.  
Discontinued ~~on account of~~ *by Pensioning Board.*  
*L. O. Summary*

ROYAL NEW JERSEY REGIMENT  
(Separation Allowance Branch)

NOTICE

MOTHER

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 William Russell Rank Pte Reg't or Unit Regal. A.F.L.O. Reg't No. 1137

(2) Age of soldier 19 years Married or single Single

(3) Name in full of mother Edith Russell Age 47 Occupation Housekeeper Permanent Address Brooklyn B.C.

(4) Give name of your husband Samuel Russell Age 55 Occupation Casual labourer Where employed \_\_\_\_\_

(5) If your husband is not supporting you give the reason. Partially Supporting  
Very short sighted. Very weak wrist (not very strong)

(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).  
Not Chronic invalid

(7) If you are a widow, state date and place of death of your husband \_\_\_\_\_

(8) Have you married again since death of above mentioned husband? \_\_\_\_\_

(9) Names of your other children. Address in full Age, Occupation, Married or single

<u>Gilbert</u>	<u>Brooklyn</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>Labourer</u>	<u>Single</u>
<u>Richard</u>	"	<u>14</u>	<u>School Boy</u>	
<u>Marrion</u>	"	<u>11</u>	"	<u>Girl</u>
<u>Lettie</u>	"	<u>8</u>	"	"
<u>Robert</u>	"	<u>4</u>	"	"

(10) State amount earned by (a) Yourself Nothing  
(b) Your husband From one hundred & sixty to one hundred & eighty

(11) State amount and source of any other income Two hundred dollars.  
Yes. Son. Gilbert.  
\$15 a month.

(12) State value of real property belonging to you and your husband *(cannot value it)*  
*Six Acres & Small House*

(13) State value of personal property belonging to you and your husband  
*None*

(14) If husband is dead state value of real and personal property left by him  
*Not dead*

(15) Actual amount contributed by soldier during the year prior to his enlistment  
*Three ~~Five~~ Hundred & ~~Forty~~ dollars*

(16) Was this amount contributed weekly or monthly  
*Monthly*

(17) Did this amount include payment of son's board, etc?  
*and Board ~~No~~ Some times*

(18) State your son's trade or occupation prior to enlistment  
*Labourer*

(19) State amount of his wages per week  
*\$1.50 per day & over-time*

(20) State name and address of his last employer  
*Reid M. F. Co. St Johns*

(21) State amount of monthly support from son since enlistment  
*\$20. to \$24.80 per Month*

(22) State amount of allotment received by you from son since enlistment  
*Average \$24.00*

(23) State from what date did you receive allotment?  
*March 1915*

(24) Actual amount contributed by other children Weekly Monthly  
*Average \$15.00* *From one.* *Per Month*

(25) Are any of these children in the employ of you or your husband?  
*No.*

(26) If not receiving support from other children, state cause. Explain fully.  
*All too young*

(27) With whom are you residing at present?  
*With Husband*



(28) Have you made a previous claim for Separation Allowance. If not, why? Give particulars?

*Yes*

(29) Are you already in receipt of any payment from any Patriotic Fund? If so, how much?

*None whatever (at any time)*

(30) Are you already in receipt of Separation Allowance from any source? If so, how much?

*No.*

(31) Was the soldier at the time of his enlistment an employee of the Nfld. Government?

*No*

(32) In what capacity and in what place?

(33) Is he in receipt of a salary as such while serving in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment? 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, *Edith Russell*

Place of Residence, *Brooklyn*

Declared and subscribed before me at *Musgrave Town* this *24* day of *February* 19 *20*

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

*R. S. Aldford J.P.*

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 above mentioned is the sole support of the applicant.

Signature of member of the Patriotic Fund Committee

*Edwin Nichols*  
*Henry Stares*

Education to fit him to make a living  
otherwise these hard works, which  
on account of a lame Arm he  
would never be fit for.

Remainder of my family are  
more infants  
So you see our income is not  
enough to buy the real necessaries of life  
At the present cost of Food  
if food & other necessaries goes higher  
which present indications shows  
it will, I do not know about it

I could write a much longer  
letter, but I don't want to take too  
much of your time  
But every word herein written  
is straight & above board.

I conclude with the confidence  
that at least you will mete out  
common justice & fair treatment in  
my case, which is all I ask.

P.S.  
From start to now I never rec'd  
one penny from any source but my sons

Brooklyn Bonaville Bay  
Feb. 120

Gentleman

I feel that it is my duty  
to myself & my family, to give  
you a few more details, when it is  
possible to give in the answers  
to the questions on papers such.  
& make you more fully realize  
my position. I feel that I  
can demand it of the Government  
some recompense for the loss  
of my Boy. Had he been  
alive today (which in all probab-  
-ility he would if our Govern-  
did not call for volunteers)  
I would not be waiting for the  
real necessaries of life, which  
I am truly needing.  
I am ill & need well for  
the past few years. In fact

needing the proper food fit  
for a sick person, (which I  
could have, & may be not need)  
If my son was with me  
yet others who can do without  
as I said before are getting it  
My son was amongst the  
first to enlist. I was no  
conscript. He was only a  
lad & I need not have let  
him go, if I so mind.

As you see by the papers  
I have another boy 18 years old  
He has no education for steady em-  
ployment, & takes a job here  
and there, some times he does not  
make any thing for a few months  
& then working for a few months  
As I said in the papers \$15<sup>00</sup>  
is about the average take one month  
with the other. My son 14 yrs  
we are trying to give him an ed.

the death of my dear son  
has killed me  
It makes my heart break  
to see Able bodied young men  
getting \$70<sup>00</sup> a month  
While I the mother of a fine lad  
misses so much his help  
(that he would be to me now)  
not to mention his loss  
not that I say it myself  
But Brooklyn is the poorer for  
losing my boy.

If ever injustice was  
done, it is done to me  
even though I were not in  
need of his help, I feel that  
I could demand some recompense  
for the life of my son  
My boy gave his life  
I would not have it otherwise  
This very day I am

Mar. 31, 1980

Mrs. Edith Russell,  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Madam:-

Referring to your application for Separation Allowance, I have been directed to state that same cannot be granted to you, because your husband is not totally incapacitated, and consequently you cannot be considered to be totally dependent upon your son.

Yours truly

Maj.

Paymaster.

1137

Seesand

Brooklyn

Dear Gentleman

May 18/92

just a few words  
still in sorrow and want of my dear  
son Pt. Will. Russell asking you to  
please do ~~something~~ <sup>bring</sup> for me.

Dr. Barlow <sup>of Trinity St.</sup> send <sup>to</sup> ask you to write  
him Pt. W. Russell was too good to be  
forgot. Please let me know if there  
is any body writing against me not  
getting what belongs to him. I  
need it for nursing for myself as  
my husband can't leave home to go  
away to work

Yours Very Truly

Edith Russell

1137 Russell

M. Any claim for  
S.A. filed? - R

**URGENT.**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$33<sup>09</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> 1917

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of Thirty three <sup>09</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.  
~~an account~~ of Pay Balance

Ch. No. 938	Initials E. W.
Pay Ledger 307	Initials C. C.
Gen. Ledger 81	Initials J. H.

Regtl. No. Rank



No. 1137 Rank Pte.

Name A. Russell.

Samuel Russell

Brooklyn  
B.B.



November 8th, 1917.

Mr. Samuel Russell,  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Sir,-

I enclose herewith cheque for \$33.09, being the balance due you as Administrator of the Estate of the late Ete. W. Russell. I also enclose letter of Administration.

Yours faithfully,

Capt. & Paymaster



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W I L L

No. 14

of

No. 1137. Rank Pt.

Name W. Russell.

Mrs Sam Russell

Brooklyn W

13 B

WILL.

In the event of my death  
 I give the whole my Property  
 and effects to my mother  
 Mrs Edith Russell  
 Brooklyn Borovasturay  
 William Russell  
 Private no 1137  
 1st Newfoundland  
 Regiment  
 February 3rd 1906



18/1

Date  
1916

Kit supplied:

Feb 8

Shirt

" 16

Badge

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Copy of "Will"

of

No. 1137, Pte. W. Russell.

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In the event of my death I give the whole of my property and effects to my mother, Mrs. Edith Russell, Brooklyn, Bonavista Bay,

signed William Russell, Pte.  
No. 1137,  
1st Newfoundland Regt.

February 3rd, 1916.

Certified True Copy.

Capt.

Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

Copy Sent To H.Q.

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NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

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"COPY OF WILL"

Private William Russell, No. 1137.

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and effects to my mother, Mrs. Edith Russell, Brooklyn,  
Bonavista Bay, Newfoundland.

(Sd) William Russell.

February 3rd, 1916.

Certified true copy.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS

*Smith*



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.

.. Aug 10<sup>th</sup> ..... 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 1137 Rank Pl  
Name William Russell  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Mrs. S. Russell (Sgd.)

Mother Relationship.

Address Brooklyn Bonavista Bay

Fold Here

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**ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE**

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

*Royal Nfld. Regt.*

*Dept. of Militia,*

*ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.*

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Fold Here

SEP 23 1921.

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

**Mrs. Samuel Russell (Mother)**

in respect of his service as No. **1137** Rank **Pte.**

Name **William Russell** **Royal Nfld. Regt.**  
~~Infantry Coy.~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Victory Medal and British War Medal

Signature Mrs. Samuel Russell

Date Sept 28 1921

Address Brooklyn Bonavista Bay

[P.T.O.]

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. .... 1137 ..... Name. .... *Wm. Russell* .....

To Certify that I have received the AB 64 of the above  
named soldier.

Date. *July 21<sup>st</sup>* .....

Name *Mrs. S. Russell*

Place. .... *Brooklyn* .....

N.B. For completion and return to the Department of Militia  
insert in corner of envelope "AB 64"



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THE BOARD OF  
PENSION COMMISSIONERS  
FOR NEWFOUNDLAND

HON. J. A. CLIFT, K. C., C. B. E.  
MAJOR W. H. PARSONS, M. C.  
R. A. M. C.



In reply refer to

No. ....

C.R. 1137

St. Johns,  
Sept. 3/20.

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Major J. M. Howley, C. S. O.,  
Paymaster.

Dear Sir:-

I have to acknowledge your communication of  
August 31st., with attached letter from Dr. Rutherford,  
concerning the case of Mrs. Samuel Russell of Brooklyn,  
B. B.

I am communication direct with Dr. Rutherford.

Yours faithfully,

Secy.

WHP/GEC.

CR. 1137

August 31st., 1920

Secretary

Board of Pension Commissioners

Dear Sir:-

Herewith please letter from A.R. Rutherford, M.D. on behalf of the mother of No. 1137 Pte. Wm. Russell, deceased, relative to the matter of pension. Will you kindly give Dr. Rutherford's letter your attention and reply direct thereto.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer



CR 1137

August 21st, 1920

A.R. Rutherford, M.D.  
Bonavista

Dear Sir:- Re:- No..1137, Pte.Wm. Russell  
Deceased

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 22th inst. relative to the matter of pension to the mother of the above noted deceased soldier.

I would state that pension matters do not come under the purview of this Department, and I am therefore forwarding your letter to the Board of Pension Commissioners, and asking them to give it attention and reply direct to you in the premises.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary

for Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 1137

May 22nd, 1920

Mrs. Edith Russell,  
Brooklyn, B.B.

Dear Madam:-

I have your letter of 18th inst. re claim for Separation Allowance of amount of No. 1137 Private William Russell. I have your claim before me and note thereon that your husband Samuel Russell, aged 55 is partially supporting you, and his income is \$200.00 per year. It, therefore, cannot be claimed that your son is the sole support; and as the Regulations governing the payment of Separation Allowance rule that the soldier on whose account the allowance is claimed, has to be the sole support of the claimant, I regret that Separation Allowance is not payable on account of Private Russell.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

February 16th 1920.

Mrs. S. Russell,  
Brooklyn, B.B.

Dear Madam

With reference to the 1914-1915  
Star forwarded by Registered Post on Dec. 3rd/19.  
no acknowledgement has been received by this  
Office for same.

Kindly give this matter your  
earliest attention, and oblige.

Yours sincerely,

*H. B. Jones* and Lieut.  
Casualty Officer.

*Acknowledge  
some weeks ago.  
Medal received O.K.  
Signed for Edw. Nichol  
Mrs. S. Russell*

*AP*

C.R. 1137

RECEIPT.

I hereby certify that I have received the 1914-1915

STAR.

No 1137 Name <sup>Ret</sup> William Russell

Witness. Samuel Russell

Date Dec 6 1919

Place Brooklyn

m. B.

C.R. 1137

Extract of Casualty List received from P&O., London  
Dated Aug. 1st. 1916.

The following Casualties in the Newfoundland Contingent  
are reported under various dates:-

1137 Pte. W. Russell.

Killed.

C.R. 1137

Extract of Casualty List received from P.S.R.O.  
July 26th. 1916.

1137, Pte W. Russell. ✓

Reported by O.C. Bn. d/11/7/16 as Killed in Action 1.7.16.

C.R. 1137

Extract of Sick and Wounded H.C.Os. and Men of the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, No. H. 3740, dated Nov. 5th. 1915.

1137 Pte. W. Russell

1st. Newfoundland Regiment.....Dysentery..... Adm. Mil. Hos.

Citadel Cairo 15th. Oct. 1915.

C.R.

1137

Extract from Nominal Roll of "D" Co. 1st Bn. Mfld.  
Regt. Embarked Devonport for Active Service 20-8-15

1137 Pte. W. Russell.

Disembarked at Alexandria 31-8-15 Proceeded to Abbassian  
Cairo, same date Embarked Alexandria for Gallipoli 13-9-15



C.R. 1137

Extract from Nominal Roll of Draft embarked for  
Overseas per S.S. Stephen March 20th 1915.

Co. 7. Platoon.

1137 Pte. W. Russell.

C.N. 1137

Wm. Russell, was attested for General service  
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on February 17th 1915  
Regimental No 1137 was allotted to Pte. Wm. Russell

AUTHORITY:

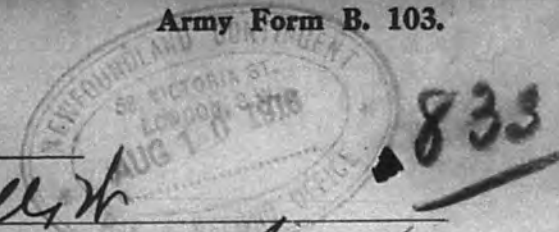
Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th 1915

ORIGINAL.

Casualty Form—Active Service.



Regiment or Corps Newfoundland

Regimental No. C.R. 1137 Rank Plt Name Russell H

Enlisted (a) 21/1/15 Terms of Service (a) 12 years Service reckons from (a) Feb 17/15

Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on roll of N.C.O.s. }

Extended Section of War Re-engaged August 15 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				
		Embarked St. John's, NFLD.		20/3/15.	
		Disembarked Alexandria		1/9/15.	
		Embarked for Gallipoli		13/9/15.	
16/10/15.	"Neuralgia"	Ill, Dysentery A 36 H.S.	"Neuralgia"	10/10/15.	Auth. A 15047.
20/10/15.	Citadel, Cairo.	Admitted	Citadel, Cairo	19/10/15.	" G 4120.
<u>29/1/16</u>	<u>und</u>	<u>with Battalion</u>	<u>und</u>	<u>26/1/16</u>	<u>B 2/3</u>
		Embk'd Port Suez		14.3.16	
		Disembk'd MARSEILLE S		22.3.16	
11 JUL 1916	Unit	Killed in Action	France	1 - JUL 1916	B 2/3.

all Clerk CAPTAIN.  
FOR THE INFANTRY RECORDS  
G. H. Q.; 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. [P.T.O.]

