



FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 3277 Name John Saunders Corps Artillery

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your name? John Saunders
2. What is your full Address? Alexander Bay 2 B.B.
3. Are you a British Subject? yes
4. What is your age? 28 Years 3 Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? Fisherman
6. Are you Married? no
7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? no
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? yes
9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? yes
10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? 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? yes

I, John Saunders, 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.

John Saunders SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
Alexander Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, John Saunders, do make oath, that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown and Dignity against all enemies, according to the conditions of my service.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at St. John's on this 10th day of April 1917

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 2nd B.B.

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

Date 1917 } Approving Officer.
Place

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

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

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT

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

Name John Saunders
Apparent age 23 years 3 months. Height 5 feet 10 inches

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 38 inches
Range of expansion 3 inches

Distinctive marks _____

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin James Saunders
Alexander Bay | Relationship Father

B B Particulars as to Marriage

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

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)

Particulars as to Children

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or Depot	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from _____									
Joined at _____ on _____									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Total Service towards Engagement to _____ [date of discharge] _____ years _____ days
" " " Pensions " _____ [" "] _____ " _____ "



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2. D. B.
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John Saunders SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

W. H. ... Signature of Witness.

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Signature of Attesting Officer W. H. ...

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Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>10-4-17</u>							
Joined at <u>St John's</u> on <u>April 10</u> 17							
							<u>Embarked St John's train</u> <u>to Halifax N.S. 19-5-17</u> Embarked <u>for B.C. S. 6-11-17</u> Re-embarked <u>Bransford 7-11-17</u> Joined Battalion <u>14-11-17</u> <u>Killed in Action 3-17</u>
Total Service forfeited as above.....							

Total Service towards Engagement to _____ [date of discharge] _____ years _____ days
 " " " Pensions " [" "] " " "

C.R. 3577

Glovertown,

2 October, 1919.

Hon. A.W. Hickman,
Minister of Militia,
St. John's.

Dear Mr. Hickman,

Private John Saunders, No. 3577, Royal Newfoundland Regiment, was reported as missing on the Western Front, in December, 1917. His father, James Saunders, of Glovertown, says that he has only received \$30 as part of the deceased man's pay, out of his Estate.

The point I would like for you to explain to Mr. Saunders, in a letter, is this: Up to what time, according to rule, does a missing man's pay go on. The father received the allotment which the son made to him, for some time, and is now receiving a pension; but, has been told that his son's pay ought to have gone on until the end of the War.

You might write to him, personally, about it, and explain the matter to him.

Yours truly,

Alfred B. Manning

Govt. considering

OCTOBER 7th 1919.

Mr. Jas. Saunders,
Glovertown.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter from the Hon. A.B. Morine with reference to your deceased son, the late #3577 Pte. John Saunders, The Royal Newfoundland Regiment, enquiring as to any monies that may be due you on account of his services.

In reply I be to advise you that the procedure with regard to a Missing Soldiers is as follows:-

His account is kept open for six months from the date on which he is reported "missing" If after this period there is no further report of him his account is adjusted from the date that he was posted as "missing" If he has made an Allotment said Allotment is continued payable until such time as it is ordered to be stopped by the Board of Pension Commissioners.

I would advise you that you have been misinformed when you were told that your son's pay should have gone on until the end of the War. The \$30.00 received by you was money which was lying to his credit in the Pay & Record Office, London, at the time of his being posted as "missing."

For your information I am forwarding copy of statement of your son's account.

Yours faithfully,

Minister of Militia.

C.R. 35-77

Sept. 19th 1919.

Mr. Jas. Saunders,
Alexander Bay.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your enquiry regarding your son No 3577 Pte. John Saunders, I am directed to advise you that the reason ~~that~~ the allotment of 60¢ per day, which was payable to you on account of your son, was stopped was because of the fact that the Board of Pension Commissioners discontinued it on April 3rd 1919. For any further information you may require on the question of Pension, you should communicate direct with the Board of Pension Commissioners.

As to particulars of your son's grave, I may say that our records show nothing in this connection, but we have telegraphed to the authorities on the other side requesting them to obtain all particulars possible, and upon receipt of a reply we will immediately communicate with you.

Yours faithfully,

CGB

Capt.

for Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 3577

Statement of account of No 3577 J Saunders

Dec 3 bal of account received from London
up to date of death \$3-10-1 17.05

Dec 31 by pay to last of month.
minus allotment 28 days $\frac{50}{5}$ 14.00
\$ 31.05

\$ 31 $\frac{05}{2}$

Paid to Jane Saunders of Gloucester

April 26/19

W Newbery S.M.S.

C.R. 3577

AMERICAN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED

Receiver's No.
Check
Time Filed

Fast
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.

CONNECTING WITH THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Send the following telegram, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

To

James Saunders
Gather 191

3577

John Saunders
Alexander Bay

Killed 3rd Dec 1917

Jan 30 *balance*
dec when killed
Never heard anything about
Attachment of 60 day min had letter
20/20 *she is buried*
I know where

Record
of Service of 3577 John Saunders.

Attached to Strength - 10 - 4 - 17
Embarked by S. S. Flouzel - 19 - 5 - 17
" for B. E. F. - 6 - 11 - 17
Reported Missing - 3 - 12 - 17
Presumed Dead - 1 - 7 - 18

Allotment of 60¢ payable to
(Father) discontinued by Pension
Board 30/4/19

L. P. S. Sgt.

C.R. 3577

Extract of Casualties from Pay and Record Office, London dated
2nd. July 1918.

Previously reported 'Missing' 3/12/17, now PRESUMED DEAD, 1/7/18.

3577 Pte. J. Saunders.

Authority: Officer i/c Records Wfld. Contingent.

C.R. 3577
Counter No. 3577

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



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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. Militia

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Cheek

Dated July 3rd, 1918

To Methodist Minister or School Teacher, Alexander Bay, B.B.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London reports today
No. 3577, Private John Saunders previously reported missing
Dec. 3rd now presumed dead Jul. 1st. Please inform next
of kin.

W.F. Rendell, Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 3577
Counter No.

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To James Saunders, Alexander Bay, B.B.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London, officially reports No. 3577, Private John Saunders previously reported missing Dec. 3rd, now presumed dead

July 1st

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

W.F. Rendell, Lieut. Col

Chief Staff Officer.
for Minister of Militia.

or School Teacher Alexander Bay

This Message is not to be delivered until Receiving Office notifies that Message to Methodist Minister

has been received and acted upon

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 3577

Extract from Telegram received from London, dated
July 2, 1918.

Previously reported Missing December 3rd now ~~reported~~
presumed dead July 1st.

#3577 Pte. Saunders.

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C.R. Counter No. 3577



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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender

W.P.A.

Address Dept of Militia.

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check
Dated <u>Feb. 22, 1918.</u>					
To <u>James Saunders, Alexander Bay, B.B.</u>					

No further information has been received concerning

3577, Private John Saunders.

3577

J.E. Bennett,

Actg. Minister of Militia



NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS

CABLE CONNECTION WITH ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

Line No. 9 Sent by Mars Rec'd by Alex Bay 22 Check 11/5 No.

Place from Alex Bay 22

To J R Bennett

Acq Min Malta

FEB 2 1918

Can you give me
any information about
3377 Pte John Saunders
3577
James Saunders

C.R.

3577

Extract of Casualty received from Pay & Record
Office, London, dated January 1, 1918.

#3577 Pte. J. Saunders. ✓

Missing 3/12/17.

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____ Address _____

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated January 1st. 1918.

To

Mr. James Saunders, Alexander Bay, B.B.

Regret to inform you that Record Office London, officially reports 3577 Private John Saunders as Missing December 3rd.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

~~XX Colonial Secretary.~~

Minister of Militia.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 3577

Extract from Daily Orders, Part 11, UNIT: The Royal
Newfoundland Regiment, dated Dec. 31st 1917.

STRENGTH.

3577 Pte. Saunders.

Missing Dec. 3rd. 1917.

C.R. 3577

Extr. t from Nominal Roll Draft No. 52: 111 Other ranks from 2/1st
Newfoundland Regt., AvF, 1st 2nd Regt., B.C.F. Embarked
Southampton 6/11/17.

3577 Pte. Saunders J.

MP

C.R. 3577

Extract of Nominal Roll of Draft (All Ranks)

Embarked by S.S. "FLORIZEL"

19/5/17.

#3577 Pte. J. Saunders.

C.R. 3577

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Unit The Royal Newfoundland
Regt., St. John's, April 10th, 1917.

3577 Pte. John Saunders.

Attached to strength from April 10th, 1917,

J. Saunders

C.R.

3577

~~Handwritten scribble~~

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Saunders OF Christian Name John

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish Alexander Bay County St. John's



	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>10th</u> day of <u>April</u> 1917		on _____ day of _____ 191	
	at <u>Headquarters</u>		at _____	
Declared Age	<u>23</u> years — days		<u>58</u> years — days	
Trade or Occupation	<u>Fisherman</u>		_____	
Height	<u>5</u> feet <u>10</u> inches	_____	_____ feet _____ inches	_____
Weight	<u>136</u> lbs.	_____	_____ lbs.	_____
Chest Measurement	Grith when fully expanded ... <u>38</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of Expansion .. <u>3</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development	_____		_____	
Vaccination Marks	Arm	_____	Right	Left
	Number	_____	_____	_____
When Vaccinated	_____		_____	
Vision	R.E.—V=	<u>4/9</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>W. Provenier</u>		_____	
(Rank)	<u>Lieut.</u>		_____	
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted	at <u>St John's</u>		at _____	
	on <u>10th</u> day of <u>April</u> 1917		on _____ day of _____ 191	
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Transferred to	<u>4/1st</u>	<u>Nfld Regt 3577</u>	_____	_____
Became non-effective by	_____		_____	
(Signature)	on _____ day of _____ 191		on _____ day of _____ 191	
(Rank)	_____		_____	



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

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

Examination of *John Saunders*
aged *28 years* conducted at *Headquarter*
Date: *April 10th /14* Recruiting Officer:

NO OF TEST FINDING

1 *no*
2 *no*
3 *yes two years ago*
4 *no*
5 *no*
6 *yes 4 year ago*
7 *yes*
8 *yes*
9 *no*
10 *~*
11 *~*
12 *~*
13 *~*
14 *~*
15 *~*
16 *~*
17 *~*
18 *~*
19 *6/9 Right 6/6 Left*
20 *~*
21 *~*
22 *~*
23 *~*
24 *~*
25 *~*
26 *~*
27 *~*
28 *~*
29 *~*
30 *~*
31 *~*

\$

3577

32 *~*
33 *no*
34 *5-110*
35 *136 lbs.*
36 *28-38*
37 *400 per year*
38 *James Alayzanded Bay*
39 *now*

Geo Burden

Signature of Medical Examiner:

Records Office concerning missing relatives, and have gained valuable and satisfactory information concerning them. I am trusting for the same. You know any information gained would relieve my mind somewhat.

I sincerely trust that the trouble you have taken in helping others, will be taken with me as I am so anxious to know where my dear boy is.

Anything would be better than to be kept in suspense.

Trusting this will meet with your loyal interest, and hoping to hear from you at your earliest possible convenience.

Remain his loving mother,

Yours Sincerely
Mrs. James Saunders
Isloverdown.

Alex. Bay.
Bonavista Bay
Nfld.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, PAY & RECORDS OFFICE.	
Ref. Nos. 125398	✓
Recd June 1918.	
Ack'd	
Ref. Nos. 001	
10050/1	
Encl.	
Comd.	
P. & A.	
R. & C.	✓
B. & E.	

10050/1/R.&.C.

24th June,

8.

Mrs. James Saunders,
Glovertown,
Alex. Bay, Bonavista Bay. N.F.

Madam,

3577, Pte. J. Saunders.

I have received your letter 18/5/18 (5395) with regard to your son, who was posted as "Missing" on 3/12/17. I deeply regret to say that although every effort has been made to ascertain further particulars of Pte. Saunders, no news has resulted.

I enclose, for your information, a pamphlet showing what steps are taken to locate men reported missing. In view of the lapse of time since the report was made it is greatly to be feared that your son lost his life in action, for it is customary, in the event of no further information being received regarding a soldier to presume him dead after thirty weeks from the date he was posted as "Missing."

I am sure it must be a time of very great anxiety to you, but it may be of some comfort to you to know that the authorities have taken every possible step to find ~~him~~ your son, *and I sincerely hope there may be yet news of him.*

I am, Madam,

Your obedient servant,

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

HA/NV

Office Copy

PAY LIST. to 191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.
 No. 3544 Rank Private Name Saunders J.
 Died (a) Intestate at France on the 3rd of Dec. 1914.
 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>3.12.14</u>	3	10	1	
	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				
	one				Kit allowance				
					Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2				
					Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)				
					Deferred Pay or Gratuity				
	Consolidated stoppage								
					Balance due to the Paymaster				
	Balance due by the Paymaster	3	10	1					
		£	3	10	1				
						£	3	10	1

A. J. B. 249 / 35

CHECKED, P.P.S. 14 FEB 1915

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 3 10 1 is correctly chargeable against the Public m.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINENT LONDON, S.W. 1 14 FEB 1915

Dated at this day of 191 . CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFF 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.

St. John's
July 5th - 1918

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE.	
Ref. Nos. IN	7104
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P & A.	
R. & C.	
B & E	
P.S.	

No 3577
The John Saunders
Missing 3/12/17
Pres. dead 4/7/18

Pay Record Office

Dear Sir:-

To my

regret I received a message from St. John's yesterday, saying my dear boy is presumed to be dead. I imagine it is an answer to my letter of a recent date.

I feel very thankful for your interest in my case, but still I am not fully convinced that he is gone as the message said:-
presumably dead.

II

Should you at any time
hear anything, or trace
his whereabouts, I shall
be more than thankful
for such information.

I feel it so very, very
much and it seems oh,
so hard! to realize he is
~~gone~~ numbered with the
slain.

Any information of
any kind would be
comforting to my mind.

Trusting to hear
something true of him
at a later date.

and again thanking
you for past favours.

I remain

Yours sincerely

Mrs. James Saunders

Niel's

Isleworth

Alex. Bay

Bonaville Bay

Saunders I.

3577

Hay sept

ORIGINAL.

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

No. 3577

Rank Private

Name Saunders, I.

Died (a) Intestate at France

on the 3rd of December, 1917.

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 3/12/17.....	3	10	1
	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			
	101				Messing allowance days at from to			
	"				Kit allowance			
	"							
	"							
	Consolidated stoppage							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	3	10	1	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	3	10		£	3	10
				1				1

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

CHECKED. P.P.K. 14 FEB 1918

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 3 10 1 is correctly chargeable against the debtor.

Dated at

this

day of

1917

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFF Paymaster.

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DUPLICATE
MAIL COPY

Army Form O. 1625.

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	"							
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CHECKED
P.S.D.
14 FEB 1919

14 FEB 1919
PAY & RECORD OFFICE

NEWFOUNDLAND COMPTROLLER
Paymaster

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

Dated at

this

day of

191 .

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Repeated Intentionally

MAIL COPY

Army Form G. 1914

PAY LIST.

to

191

Voucher No.

POSTED.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

No. 3577

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Deserted at

on the of 191

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(Commanding Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company.

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I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debit balance of £ 3 10 1 is chargeable against the credit balance of £ 3 10 1.

Dated at

this

day of

14 FEB 1919

191

J. H. Marshall CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE

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6595

Glovertown.

Bouavista Bay.

Sept. 24th '19.

The Honorable A. S. Hickman,
Minister of Militia,
St. John's.

Honorable and Dear Sir:—

Mr. James Saunders of
Glovertown, whose son No. 3577
Pte. John Saunders was reported
missing in France December
the 3rd 1917, has asked me to
communicate with you for
the purpose of ascertaining
whether his son's (the late
Pte. John Saunders) private
allotment ran to the
end of the war, or only to the
date on which same son
was reported missing.

Will you kindly reply at your earli-
est convenience, and greatly oblige

Your obedient servant,
(Rev.) E. R. Anthony

Don't know what is meant
by "private allotment".
Allotment to parents?

The allotment of the
above named man
was discontinued by
Pension Board on April 30/19

LP

Nov .11, 1919

Secretary,
Board of Pension Commissioners.

Re #3577 Pte. John Saunders.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your letter of 30-4-19,
I beg to state that the amount paid in continuance
of this soldier's Allowment is Three hundred and seven
dollars and eighty cents (\$307.80).

Yours truly

Major
Paymaster

6595

October 15, 1919

Rev. D.R. Anthony,
Glovertown,
B.B.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of recent date, allotment of pay on account of the late No. 3577, Pte. John Saunders of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, was discontinued by the Board of Pensions.

Yours truly,

Lieut.
For Paymaster.

May 30, 1919

Mr. James Saunders,
GOVERNMENTOWN, B.B.

Dear Sir:

I enclose cheque for \$31.05
balance of estate of late Pte. J. Saunders
due you as Administrator of his estate.

I am also enclosing herewith
Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,



Capt.
Paymaster & O 1/c Records.

THE BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS FOR Nfld.

30.4.19.

The Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,
St. John's Nfld.

DEAD AND MISSING MEN.

No. 3577
Rank Pte
Name John Saunders.

Sir:-

I have the honour, by direction to advise you that a pension has been awarded to the Father of the marginally noted, as follows:

Name James Saunders.
Address Glovertown.
Pension 1/2
Pension commences 4-12-17.

Kindly govern yourself accordingly, and advise me what deductions will have to be made.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

R. C. Pike
Asst. Secretary.

B.P.C. Form 1.

4/12/17
to
30/4/19 @ 60¢
\$307 $\frac{80}{x7}$

Discontinued
30/4/19
James Saunders
Alexander Bay B.B.

60

31
3
28
365
120
81360

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER

\$ 31 $\frac{05}{100}$

pay
~~26~~ 26 1919

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of *Thirty one* _____ ⁰⁵ Dollars.
on account of Pay. *State*
balance

Ch. No. <i>21100</i>	Initials <i>Lee</i>
Pay Ledger <i>57</i>	Initials <i>JA</i>
Gen. Ledger	Initials

Regtl. No. _____ Rank _____

Lee

No. 3577

Rank P6

Name Saunders J.

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

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NO STAMP REQUIRED

Dept. of Militia,

St. John's.

.....1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. *3577* Rank *PL*
Name *John Saunders*
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

James Saunders (Sgd.)
Relationship *father*
Address *Glover Farm*



1921

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

Signature

Date

Address

[P.T.O.]

SEP 28

1921.

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

Mr. James Saunders (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 3577 Rank Pte.

Name John Saunders Royal Nfld. Regt.
Infantry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received *Robert B*

Signature *James Saunders*

Date _____

Address *Gloucester Town*

[P.T.O.]

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Rank **Pte** Regiment or Corps **Newfoundland**
 Surname **Saunders** Christian Name **John**
 Religion **Meth** Age on Enlistment **33** years **3** months
 Enlisted (a) **10.4.17** Terms of Service (a) **duration** Service reckons from (a) **10.4.17**
 Date of promotion to present rank Date of appointment to lance rank
 Extended { } Re-engaged { } Qualification (b)
 Occupation **fisherman** or Corps Trade and Rate Signature of Officer **David Knight**

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
			Embarked Sourampton	6/11/17	
			Disembarked... Raven	7/11/17	
	Occurs	Missing	Joined Battalion 14-11-17		
		Re-buried.	3 DEC 1917		213?
			Free		

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) Signaller, Shoeing-Smith, &c. W. 11814-M1188 1000m 1/17 (27227) SP & Co, Ltd. Forms B./103/4 E./354. **[P.T.O.]**

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

Forms
B. 121.
329.

Number of Sheet *First*
Signature of O. C. Company *Wm. A. [unclear]*

Regiment of *1st Newfoundland.*

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay
No.	<i>Saunders, John.</i>	Age on	<i>23</i> years <i>3</i> months	<i>Fisherman</i>	
Joined		Date	Place and Date of Enlistment	Religion	
Joined		Date	Period of { with Colours <i>23 1/2</i> years. with Reserve <i>3 1/2</i> years.	<i>St John's</i> <i>10.4.17</i>	
Joined		Date		Place of Birth	

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>Missing 3 ¹²/₁₇</i>									
To be carried over									

Glover Town

February 11. 1920

GR 3577

Mr Hickman Minister of Militia & Defence
Dear Sir. as I am to trouble you again
and other gentlemen that is interested in
this great work
I cant understand about this work
I had a letter ~~from~~ some time ago from
the government how asking me to get it fell
out and I don go to the best of knowledge
asking me about my boys grave and where
he was buried that was a question that
I could not answer

Dear Mr Hickman my dear boy is gone and
that is all I know about him pet John
Saunders was missing the 3th of December 1917
and that is all I know now

The ant told me were his boddy was found or
not or where he has a grave or not there is one
thing I do know I have not seen one thing he
lang to him not as much as a book or his keep
bag there is stuff some were belonging to him
and I would like to know about it

Please excuse my ritten

Yours truly James Saunders the father
pet John Saunders

Glovertown,
Bonaventa Bay
Feb 25 1720

W. J. Rendell Esq.,
St. Johns,

Rd 3577

Sir:—

I herewith acknowledge receipt of
Memorial scroll and Message from His
Majesty the King for which I desire to express
my sincere thanks,

Yours sincerely,

James Saunders.

C.R.

3577

April 8th. 1920

Mr. James Saunders,
Glovertown,

Dear Sir:-

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Feb..11th respecting your son Private John Saunders.

Regarding your enquiry re the form sent you from this office to be completed, and your statement that the grave of your son has not been registered, I wish to inform you that Major T. Hangle, C.F. is working through France and Flanders endeavouring to locate the isolated graves of soldiers; and it may be that Private Saunders' grave may eventually be registered. It is necessary in any case, to fill in on the form in your possession, the space for the personal inscription, and I should be glad if you will give attention to the instructions re the number of letters permitted in same. The inscription is to be well chosen, otherwise it may be necessary to return it to you to be replaced by another.

Reference your remarks concerning personal effects, I am afraid that I cannot think that any effects

April 8th, 1920

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could have been recovered on account of your son, as any effects ever recovered belonging to deceased soldiers were always forwarded promptly, and it is now nearly two and a half years since this man's decease.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer,

ask Miss Walsh

she told me they would ready