



# Newfoundland Forestry Companies

## ATTESTATION OF

No. *Lieut.* Name *David Shistle* Corps

### Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1. What is your name? .....  | 1. <i>David Shistle</i>               |
| 2. What is your full Address? .....  | 2. <i>50 Longs Hill<br/>St John's</i> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? .....  | 3. <i>yes</i>                         |
| 4. What is your age? .....   | 4. <i>52</i> Years <i>2</i> Months    |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? .....  | 5. <i>Lumberman</i>                   |
| 6. Are you Married? .....  | 6. <i>yes</i>                         |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? .....                       | 7. <i>no</i>                          |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? .....  | 8. <i>yes</i>                         |
| 9. What is your Religion? .....  | 9. <i>Method.</i>                     |
| 10. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in this roll of service as applied to Forestry Companies? ..... | 10. <i>yes</i> { Name .....           |
|  | { Corps .....                         |

I, *David Shistle* 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.

*D Shistle* SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

*E-12/5/17*

*W. O. St. John* Signature of Witness.

### OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, *David Shistle* 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 serve His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in the United Kingdom, 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 *9th* day of *June* 191*7*

Signature of Attesting Officer *W. O. St. John*

### †CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the

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

Date.....191  
Place..... } Approving Officer.

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

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



March 26, 1918.

Officer Commanding Depot,  
Headquarters.

Capt. David Thistle.

You will instruct this officer to report to the Standing Medical Board at the first convenient opportunity. Please advise the D.M.S. of the date when Captain Thistle will appear before the board.

Major.  
District Officer Commanding.  
Newfoundland.

*Copy for D.M.S.*

## PROCEEDINGS OF A MEDICAL BOARD.

Assembled at St. John's, Newfoundland on May 28th., 1920.

for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the present state of health of:

(Rank and Name) CAPTAIN DAVID THISTLE (Corps) N.F.D. FORESTYR CORPS.

Age ..... Service ..... Disability NEURITIS

Date of commencement of leave granted for present disability .....

The Board having assembled pursuant to order, and having read the instructions on the back hereof, proceed to examine the above-named officer and find that:

**COMPLAINS OF PAIN IN RIGHT ARM DOWN INTO FINGERS, SINCE  
LAST JANUARY, AND HAS PYORRHOEA " SEVERAL TEETH. NO OTHER  
COMPLAINT.**

The Opinion of the Board upon the questions herein is as follows—

**CONDITION AT PRESENT IS NOT DUE TO MILITARY SERVICE**

- (1) Was the disability contracted in the service ?
- (2) Was it contracted under circumstances over which he had no control ?
- (3) Was it caused by military service ?
- (4) If caused by military service, to what specific conditions is it attributed ?
- (5) At present his capacity for earning a full livelihood in the General Labor Market is lessened by: (Extent should be stated as Total. 4-5, 3-5, 2-5, 1-5, or NOTHING.
  - a. In and by Military Service. **NIL**
  - b. By other causes.

SIGNATURES

(SGD) **N. S. FRASER** President.  
**J. B. O'REILLY, CAPTAIN.**  
**L. PATTERSON, LIEUT. COL.**

APPROVED

(SGD) **CLUNY MACPHERSON, LIEUT. COL.** -Members.



June 24th., 1919.

From:- D. M. S.  
To :- B. P. C.

Captain D. Whistle.

Herewith please find Proceedings of  
Medical Board - in triplicate - on  
the marginally noted Officer.

AMB.

Major, D. M. S.

ENCLOSURE.

# PROCEEDINGS OF A MEDICAL BOARD.

JUNE 23rd., 1919.

Assembled at St. John's, Newfoundland on .....  
by order of the Minister of Militia, Newfoundland, for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the present state of health of:

(Rank and Name) **CAPT. D. THISTLE** (Corps) **NFLD. FORESTRY CO.**  
Age ..... Service ..... Disability .....  
Date of commencement of leave granted for present disability .....

The Board having assembled pursuant to order, and having read the instructions on the back hereof, proceed to examine the above-named officer, and find that:—

*His statement*  
*Complaints of weakness in back pain down through*  
*bladder, together with scalding. Urine thick with white*  
*pus 88*  
*Urine clear amber colour, w/ albumen*

The opinion of the Board upon the questions herein is as follows:—

- (1) a. Is the Officer fit for "General Service?" *Yes*  *fit*
- b. If not so fit, how long is he likely to be unfit?
- (2) a. If unfit for General Service, is he fit for Service at Home?
- b. If not so fit, how long is he likely to be unfit for Service at Home?
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(Extent should be stated as Total, 4-5, 3-5, 2-5, 1-5, or NOTHING.)
  - a. In and by Military Service. *nil*
  - b. By other causes.

SIGNATURES

APPROVED

*W. Shaw* President.  
*J. Sinclair Dait*  
*Waterson* Members.

*Clayton Macpherson*

# The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Class for Demobilization:—

Report of Demobilization  
Travelling Board, held on soldier for  
discharge.

Discharge Depot: Headquarters The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Regimental No \_\_\_\_\_

Name Therle J. Rank Capt.

Address Louisa Hill -

Present Medical Category R. E.

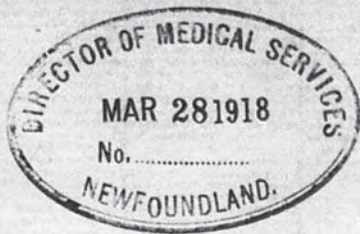
Recommended for:— (a) ~~Immediate discharge~~  
(b) ~~Standard Medical Board~~ S.M.B.

Members of Board

R. H. East Major  
O.C. Discharge Depot.

R. P. Brown  
Senior Medical Officer

D. W. Burden  
~~M. O. Depot.~~



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March 30th., 1918.

From:- D. M. S.

To:- C. S. O.

Capt. David Thistle

Herewith Proceedings of Board, in quadruplicate,  
also Medical History Sheet, on the marginally noted  
Officer.

Major, D. M. S.

ENCLOSURE.



# PROCEEDINGS OF A MEDICAL BOARD.

Assembled at St. John's, Newfoundland on March 27th., 1918.  
by order of the Minister of Militia, Newfoundland, for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the present state of health of:

(Rank and Name) Capt. David Thistle (Corps) Nfld. Forestry  
Age 52 Service ..... Disability .....  
Date of commencement of leave granted for present disability .....

The Board having assembled pursuant to order, and having read the instructions on the back hereof, proceed to examine the above-named officer and find that:—

*he reports himself as feeling as well as he ever did — has had some colds when overseas, nothing of a serious nature. On examination can find nothing wrong in his heart, lungs or any other organ.*

The opinion of the Board upon the questions herein is as follows:—

- (1) a. Is the Officer fit for "General Service?" *yes*
- b. If not so fit, how long is he likely to be unfit?
- (2) a. If unfit for General Service, is he fit for Service at Home?
- b. If not so fit, how long is he likely to be unfit for Service at Home?
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      a. In and by Military Service.  
      b. By other causes.

SIGNATURES

APPROVED



*[Signature]* President.  
*[Signature]* Members.  
*[Signature]* Members.  
*[Signature]* Members.





# DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

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ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

March 26, 1918.

To: Director Medical Services.

Lieut. David Thistle.

This officer, invalided from Scotland, reported at Headquarters March 25th, 1918.

I enclose A.F.B. 178, on which is noted a recommendation by the M.O. at the Depot in Scotland. I have instructed the O.C. Depot to have Captain Thistle report to the Standing Medical Board at the first convenient opportunity, and advise you of the date when he will attend.

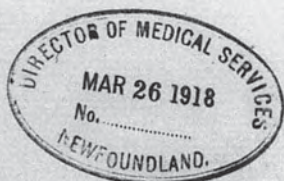
*A. Montgomery*

Major.

District Officer Commanding.

Newfoundland.

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JAN 3 1922 1921.

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

is/are forwarded herewith to

**David Thistle**

in respect of his service as No. \_\_\_\_\_ Rank **Capt.**

Name **D. Thistle** ~~Royal Nfld. Regt.~~  
Nfld. Forestry Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received British War Medal

Signature D. Thistle Capt.

Date Jan 11<sup>th</sup> 22

Address P.O. Box 328 City

[P.T.O.]

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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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*C.R. 0-181*

# DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPARTM'T OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

July 26th, 1919

*Capt. D. Shible*

I should be glad if you will hand your  
Newfoundland Commission into this Department for the  
purpose of having the date of your retirement in the  
Newfoundland Gazette endorsed thereon

Lieute Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

*Commission endorsed 8/8/19*

*(Signature)*

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Extract of Militia Orders No. 46, dated July 15th 1919,  
by the Hon. A. E. Hickman, Minister of Militia.

The following is retired from date set opposite  
their respective name and is placed on the Reserve List  
of Officers.

Capt. D. Thistle (Forestry Corps)..... July 5th 1919

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Extract from Nominal Roll of Forestry Draft, which arrived  
at Winchester 7/5/19.

Capt. D. Thistle.



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July 15th, 1919

To: Capt. D. Thistle  
Long's Hill

Please note that in the next issue of Militia Orders which will be published in the Royal Gazette, you will be retired and placed on the Reserve List of Officers, with effect from July 5th, 1919

Lieut. Col.,  
Chief Staff-officer

C.R. 0-181

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Unit the Nfld. Forestry  
Corps. July 18th, 1919.

Capt. D. Thistle.

Retired with effect from 5-7-19 and placed on Reserve List of  
Officers.



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

CR. 0-181

June 24th., 1919.

*July 5*

From:- D. M. S.  
To :- B. P. C.

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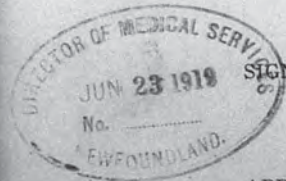
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**OWN STATEMENT. COMPLAINS OF WEAKNESS IN BACK AND PAIN DOWN THROUGH BLADDER AND URETHRA WITH SCALDING URINE THICK WITH URATES. PULSE 88. URINE CLEAR AMBER COLOUR. NO ALBUMEN.**

The opinion of the Board upon the questions herein is as follows:—

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**J. SINCLAIR TAIT**  
**L. PATERSON, Major**

President.

(SGD) **OLUNY MACPHERSON, Major.**

Members.

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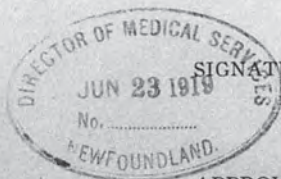
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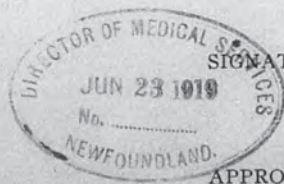
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} (SGD)	<b>CLUNY MACPHERSON, Major.</b>	Members.

(Forestry Corps).

C.R. 0-181

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Depot, St. Johns,

Date **June 20th 1919.**

Capt. D. Thistle.

Reported at Headquarters 1/6/19. ex "Corsican"  
which sailed Liverpool May 22/1919.

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Extract from Orders by Capt. & Adj. H.H.A. Ross,

Actg. O.C. Newfoundland Forestry Companies.

7/5/19.

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXX.~~

The undermentioned having proceeded to Winchester to await repatriation is struck off the strength from this date,

Capt. D. Thistle.



Cables and Telegrams :  
"SYNOPTICAL," London.

Telephone :  
VICTORIA 147.

Communications to be addressed to the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS,  
and the following No. quoted :

N. F. P/38A.

**DUPLICATE.**

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

## MEMORANDUM.

No. 5858/256/R. **C.R.** 0-181

From  
**PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,**  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.

To  
Hon. Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

HA/JC

16th April, 1918

**SUBJECT:**

**CAPTAIN D. THISTLE,**  
Newfoundland Forestry  
Corps.

Reference Nos.

**REPLY**

Dated June 26th 1918

Please return **ORIGINAL** and retain **DUPLICATE.**


With reference to your telegram of 2/4/18 (3021):

"Following for- O.C.- Foresters-  
"begins- Capt.- Thistle- found-  
"fit for general service- by-  
"Medical Board- held- March  
"27- why- was he- repatriated-  
"ends-"

In addition to particulars available and sent under N.F.P. 38, copies of:

This Office No. 5010/18/R.&C.  
Capt. Baird's letter of 4/4/18  
to G.A.O., Forestry Corps,

are enclosed, please, for your information.

  
Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

I enclose copies of proceeding of the Medical Board held on Capt. D. Thistle, Newfoundland Forestry Corps on March 27th which found that this officer was fit for general service.

It was as a result of this finding that my cable of the 2nd of April was despatched.

The copies of correspondence forwarded by you are noted. This Officer has again been sent over for duty with his Unit in Scotland and it is hoped that the indisposition which caused his return to this Country will not recur.

Lieut. Col., C.S.O.

for Minister of Militia.

COPY.

Nfld Forestry Companies,  
Dunkeld,  
Perthshire,  
Scotland,

4th April, 1918.

Chief Administrative Officer,  
Nfld Forestry Companies,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W. 1.

Dear Mr. Beeton, Capt. D. Thistle.

With reference to your memo. of the 3rd inst. The above-noted Officer was repatriated on the recommendation of Dr. J. A. Taylor, Actg. M.O. i/c. If you remember we asked if Capt. Thistle and the other eight men should be boarded in compliance with instructions from the Minister of Militia and in your reply you stated that Capt. Thistle and the other eight men should be sent according to instructions by Major Timewell as if we did not avail of this opportunity it would be some time before these men could be repatriated, and acting on these instructions he left for Liverpool on February 22nd.

Capt. Thistle had a cold when he arrived and he was given four days leave so as he could recuperate. He then went to work and worked about ten days. He then reported sick and was sick for about one week. The M.O. then recommended one week's sick leave. This was granted and if you remember he went to London. After his week's leave he returned to work and in a very short time reported sick again. The M.O. then recommended that he be billeted out of Camp and this permission was granted him. As he was still sick the M.O. then recommended that he should be discharged as he did not consider that he would be of any further service over here.

These are the particulars to the best of my knowledge and in asking to have him repatriated I did not wish to interfere with the decision of the Medical Officer in case anything should have happened to Capt. Thistle and then I would be directly to blame.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) W. H. BAIRD, Captain.

5010/16/R.&C.

Chief Paymaster & O.i/c R.,  
Newfoundland Contingent.

Chief Administrative Officer,  
Nfld Forestry Corps,  
58, Victoria St.,  
S.W. 1.

Pay & Record Office,  
2nd April, 8

CAPTAIN D. THISTLE.

The following is an extract  
of telegram (3021) received  
2/4/18 from the Hon. Minister  
of Militia:

"Following for- O.C.-  
"Foresters- begins- Capt.-  
"Thistle- found- fit for  
"general service- by- Medical  
"Board- held- March 27- why-  
"was he- repatriated- ends-"

Can you please say?

Major,

Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

HA/JC

M. M. Beeton,  
C.A.O.

Capt. Baird,  
O.C., Nfld Forestry  
Corps.  
Dunkeld.

58, Victoria St.,  
April 3rd 1918.

Can you give me any information on this case in addition to what appears in the official records?

M.M.B.

April 11th.

Major Timewell,  
O. i/c Pay & Records.

Please see attached copy of Capt. Baird's reply to my query re above, for information of Minister of Militia. In my letter of Feb. 22nd to the Minister of Militia I dealt fully with the repatriation of Capt. Thistle and others who were sent back without being Boarded and explained why we took this action. Capt. Baird's letter gives the facts in detail.

(Sgd) M.M. BEETON,  
C.A.O. Nfld Forestry Corps.



# DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
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AND QUOTE NO.

0-181

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

March 30th., 1918.

From:- D. M. S.

To:- C. S. O.

Capt. David Thistle

Herewith Proceedings of Board, in quadruplicate,  
also Medical History Sheet, on the marginally noted  
Officer.

*Cluny Macpherson*  
Major, D. M. S.

ENCLOSURE.



C.R. 0-181

**THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT**  
**HEADQUARTERS**

*St. John's, Newfoundland,*

March 27th. 1918. 191

From Officer Commanding,  
Depot.

To District Officer Commanding,  
Department of Militia.

Sir,-

Captain D. Thistle.

Above noted officer has been requested to present  
himself before Standing Medical Board on Wednesday  
March 27th. 1918, at 8 P.M.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your obedient Servant,

*Albert G. Duff* Adjutant  
Depot, First Newfoundland Regiment,  
St. John's, Nfld.

*G. H. B. Depot.*

## PROCEEDINGS OF A MEDICAL BOARD.

Assembled at St. John's, Newfoundland on ... **MARCH 27th., 1918** .....  
 by order of the Minister of Militia, Newfoundland, for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the present state of health of:

(Rank and Name) **CAPT. DAVID THISTLE** ... (Corps) ... **INFLD. FORESTRY** .....  
 Age ... **52** . Service ..... Disability .....  
 Date of commencement of leave granted for present disability .....

The Board having assembled pursuant to order, and having read the instructions on the back hereof, proceed to examine the above-named officer and find that:—

**He reports himself as feeling as well as he ever did - has had some colds when overseas, nothing of a serious nature. On examination nothing wrong in his heart, lungs or any other organ**

The opinion of the Board upon the questions herein is as follows:—

- (1) a. Is the Officer fit for "General Service?" **Yes**
- b. If not so fit, how long is he likely to be unfit?
- (2) a. If unfit for General Service, is he fit for Service at Home?
- b. If not so fit, how long is he likely to be unfit for Service at Home?
- c. If unfit for General Service at home, is he fit for Light Duty at home?
- d. If not so fit, is he likely to be unfit for Light Duty at home?
- e. Is the Officer fit to perform any duties not coming within the above categories?  
 If so specify the nature of the duties which he might perform.
- (3) Was the disability contracted in the service?
- (4) Was it contracted under circumstances over which he had no control?
- (5) Was it caused by military service?
- (6) If caused by military service, to what specific conditions is it attributed?
- (7) At present his capacity for earning a full livelihood in the General Labor Market is lessened by:  
 (Extent should be stated as Total, 4-5, 3-5, 2-5, 1-5, or NOTHING.)
- a. In and by Military Service.  
 b. By other causes.

SIGNATURES

(Sgt)

**H. S. FRASER**

President.

**J. S. TAIT****L. PATERSON, Major**

APPROVED

(Sgt)

**CLYDE MACPHERSON, Major**

Members.

D. M. S. NEWFOUNDLAND.

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SIGNATURES

(Sgd)

**H. S. FRASER**

President.

**J. S. TAIT**

**L. PATERSON, Major**

APPROVED

(Sgd)

**CLUNY MACPHERSON, Major**

Members.

D. M. S. NEWFOUNDLAND.

COPY

March 28th., 1918.

C.R. 0-181

From:- The Director of Medical Services.

To:- O. C. Depot.

PRELIMINARY REPORT

At a Medical Board held on Wednesday, March 27th., the following Officer was examined:-

Capt. David Thistle

Proceedings of Board forwarded to  
Chief Staff Officer.

*Cluny Macpherson*

Major, D. M. S.



C.R. 0-181

Extract from Telegram despatched to Synoptical, London,  
dated April 1st, 1918.

Following for Officer Commanding Foresters (begins)  
Captain Thistle found fit for General Service by  
Medical Board held 27th March why was he repatriated

March 26, 1918.

Officer Commanding Depot,  
Headquarters.

Capt. David Thistle.

You will instruct this officer to report to the Standing Medical Board at the first convenient opportunity. Please advise the D.M.S. of the date when Captain Thistle will appear before the board.

Major.  
District Officer Commanding.  
Newfoundland.

March 26, 1918.

To: Director Medical Services.

Lieut. David Thistle.

This officer, invalided from Scotland, reported at Headquarters March 25th, 1918.

I enclose A.F.B. 178, on which is noted a recommendation by the M.O. at the Depot in Scotland. I have instructed the O.C. Depot to have Captain Thistle report to the Standing Medical Board at the first convenient opportunity, and advise you of the date when he will attend.

Major.  
District Officer Commanding.  
Newfoundland.

ENCLOSURE.

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Extract of Daily Orders part 11, from Unit The Wild.  
Forestry Companies. dated March 26, 1918.

# Captain D. Thistle.

Reports at Depot on 25/3/18 from Overseas.

C.R. 0-181

Extract from Casualties received from Repatriation Draft  
No. 57, from Pay and Record Office, dated February 25th 1918.

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Capt. D<sup>r</sup> Thistle.

From Dunkeld.

Physically Unfit

Bc.

Embarked Manchester Liverpool  
February 23rd., 1918.

To be used for recruits enlisting direct into the Regular Army only.  
 Army Form B. 178<sup>a</sup> to be used for Special Reserve recruits  
 and Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

**MEDICAL HISTORY of**

22 FEB 1918

Surname Thistle

Christian Name Lieut David

**TABLE I. GENERAL TABLE.**

Birthplace ... Parish St Johnus County \_\_\_\_\_

Examined ... { on 9th day of June 1917  
 at St Johnus

Declared Age ... 53 years ... days.

Trade or Occupation ... Lumberman

Height ... 5 feet, 9 inches.

Weight ... lbs.

Chest Measurement { Girth when fully Expanded. ... inches.

{ Range of Expansion ... inches.

Physical Development ...

Vaccination Marks { Arm ... Right Left  
 Number

When Vaccinated ...

Vision ... { R.E.-V=  
 L.E.-V=

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease ...

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection ...

Approved by (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

(Rank) \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Officer.

Enlisted ... at St Johnus  
 on 12th day of May 1917

Joined on Enlistment ...	Corps.	Regtl. No.
	<u>4th Freshy Cos</u>	<u>Lieut</u>
Transferred to ...		

Became non-effective by \_\_\_\_\_

on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1917

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

(Rank) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date	Brief details, and signature
<p><i>Old Army Companies Craigvinnian Camp Scotland 10-2-18.</i></p>	<p><i>Medical Officers Report for Recommendation of Discharge Capt Thistle B Coy. This officer has not been properly fit ever since coming over to this country. He has been unaccustomed to roughing it, and is rather old now (53 years) for the training necessary. Sgt J. Taylor M.D. acting M.O.</i></p>

**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

Capt.D.Thistle, (Forestry Corps.)

Enlisted May 1917.

Lieut. May 1917

Left for Overseas August 9th 1917.

Captain December 8th 1917

Returned to Newfoundland January 1918

Attached to H.Q. St.John's



C.R. 0-181

Extract from Daily Orders part II,  
Depot St. John's dated 12-12-17.  
(Forestry)

The following embarked for Overseas on the S.S.  
Florizel on Dec. 11th. 1917.

#Lieut. D. Thistle.

C.R. 0-181

Extract of Militia Orders by Hon. J. R. Bennett,  
Minister of Militia. dated December 11, 1917.

PROMOTION FORESTRY COMPANIES.

Lieut. D. Thistle,

to be Captain, from Dec 8/17.

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C.R. 0-181 <sup>M.F.A 1</sup>

## DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

D. ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

December 7, 1917.

From District Officer Commanding.  
Newfoundland.

To Minister of Militia.  
City.

Lt. Thistle.

I have your communication of 6th inst. enclosing communication from Lt. Thistle with reference to his promotion and which I return herewith.

With reference to paragraph marked A, I would make the following observations:-

Lt. Cole was gazetted as such on May 15th, commission to date from May 12th. Lt. Thistle was gazetted on June 12th, commission to date from May 12th. Unless there are some special circumstances which have not been noted, Lt. Cole would be considered as senior. With reference to 2nd. Lt. Harvey, no promotion has as yet been made in this connection. The Lt. Harvey mentioned in the Gazette is Lt. G.C. Harvey of the 1st Nfld. Regiment.

Lt. Crowe.

This officer was in the Canadian Forestry Companies serving in France, and at the request of Mr. Beeton, Officer in charge Forestry Companies, was transferred for service with the Newfoundland Forestry Companies. His transfer dated from June 8th 1917. I have no information as to the date of Lt. Crowe's original commission. The above commissions were granted at the recommendation of Mr. M.M. Beeton.

the Officer in charge of the Forestry Companies in the United Kingdom, and Major M.S. Sullivan Officer in charge Forestry Companies in Scotland.

Lt. Thistle would seem to rank on an equality with these officers and if establishment permitted should be considered for promotion. At present there are nearly two companies operating in Scotland, and with the men now going over there should be the nucleus of a third company, which would be added to by fresh enlistments. I recommend therefore that Lt. Thistle be promoted to Captain nominally <sup>attached to</sup> ~~in charge of~~ the third company, his final position to be adjusted with Mr. Beeton when he reports for duty in the ~~other~~ United Kingdom.

*A. Montgomery*

Major.

District Officer Commanding.

Newfoundland.

ENCLOSURE.

To be Capt. from 8/12/17

Oct 19

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Dec. 6th. 1917.

From The Minister of Militia.

To The District Officer Commanding.

With reference to the enclosed letter from Lieut. Whistle, I beg to request that you will let me have your recommendation in this connection.

Minister of Militia.

*Enc. Request for promotion  
to rank of Capt.  
in 7th Regt. Coy's.  
A.H.B.*



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## DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

Dec. 6th. 1917.



From The Minister of Militia.

To The District Officer Commanding.

With reference to the enclosed letter  
from Lieut. Thistle, I beg to request that you will  
let me have your recommendation in this connection.

Minister of Militia.

St. John's, Dec. 4th, 1917.

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

Dear Sir:

I beg to call your attention to what I presume is an oversight on the part of those responsible for promotions in the Forestry Companies.

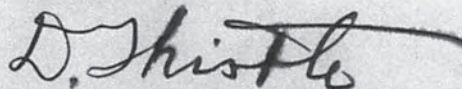
I hold a Commission as Lieutenant, dated May 12th, and was on the list of those to go across with the second draft on August 4th, 1917, but at the last moment, at the special request of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Walter Davidson, I was ordered back and was sent out recruiting.

A | I notice by The Royal Gazette of November 20th that Lieuts. Cole, Crowe, and 2nd Lieut. Harvey have been given their Commissions as Captains, thus obtaining their seniority over myself who, in point of service and date of commission, was senior to them.

I feel sure that this is purely an oversight and that I have only to draw your attention to the matter to have it at once set right.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Lieutenant Forestry Companies.

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Major Sullivan,

O.C. Foresters.

I forward herewith a Commission appointing  
Mr. David Thistle a Lieutenant in the Newfoundland  
Forestry Companies.

Will you kindly convey my congratulations to  
Mr. Thistle when presenting the Commission.

Governor.

2 August 1917.



C.R. 0-181

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In reply  
per OC Fresh  
12 (31)

July 30, 1917.

Sir,

I beg to forward herewith to Your  
Excellency Commission duly executed in  
favor of Mr. David Thistle, as Lieutenant in  
the First Newfoundland Regiment, Forestry  
Companies.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your Excellency's obedient servant,

  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

His Excellency  
Sir Walter E. Davidson, K.C.M.G.,  
etc., etc., etc.,  
Governor.

The Honourable  
The Colonial Secretary.

Please have a Commission prepared in the name of  
David Thistle Esq.  
as a Lieutenant in the Newfoundland Forestry  
Companies.

Seniority May 12th.

Governor.

25 July, 1917.

June 15th.

7

Dear Sir:-

I telegraphed you the other day asking if you would be kind enough to Pay Lieut. Thistle \$25 on account of his expenses as a Recruiting Officer for the Forestry Companies, and I have the pleasure to enclose cheque for that amount and to thank you for your good offices.

Yours faithfully,

Chairman.

Mr. Garland,

Gaultois.

C.R. 0 - 181

To Officer Commanding,  
Newfoundland Forestry Companies.

Please issue a Gazette notice for the  
appointment of Mr. <sup>David</sup> Thistle as a Lieutenant in the  
Newfoundland Forestry Companies, to date from 12th  
May.

This date has been fixed by the Ex: Committee  
Forestry Companies to whom the matter had been referred  
for consideration.

W. E. Davidson

Governor.

7 June, 1917.

~~Mr. Thistle found upon for the  
Lt. H. M. Mackie is retained and  
transferred to (Spencer) Rank of Major  
for~~



F. J. MORRIS, K.C.,  
Chairman.  
W. B. GRIEVE,  
Secretary.  
JAMES S. AYRE,  
Asst. Secty.

**W. D. A.**  
Standing, Finance & Col. Secy.

A. Gazette accept.  
Copies to Sullivan & Co.  
Chkly date for 2/20 0/10  
W. E. G.  
7-6-17

**Recruiting Committee,**

St. John's, Newfoundland **C.R. 0-181**

June 6th. 1917

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of even date with telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the subject matter of which I shall deal with at the earliest possible time.

Reverting to your despatch of the 1st. of June. I laid it before a meeting of the full Forestry Committee last evening, and I was directed to say that in their opinion the date of Lieut. Thistle's appointment should be on the 12th May, the date on which Major Sullivan was gazetted. The question was also brought up that I was to make enquiry if the men of the Forestry Battalion are to be vaccinated and inoculated before being despatched to England. The first batch of about 100 men were not so dealt with.

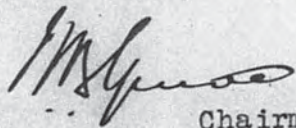
I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

H. E. The Governor

&c. &c. &c.

  
Chairman.

C.R. 0-181

Government House,

St. John's, Nfld.

1 June, 1917.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 31st May and to state that I approve of the appointment of Mr. D. Thistle to the rank of Lieutenant in the Newfoundland Foresters.

I should however be glad to receive the formal endorsement of the Special Committee of Selection and also to learn when the Commission should be dated. Your Committee may desire that the Commission should be dated back, so that Lieut. Thistle may receive emoluments from the date when he may have ceased to draw salary from his Government appointment.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Governor.

W.B. Grieve Esq.,

Chairman,

Ex: Co: Forestry Companies.

F. J. MORRIS, K.C.,  
Chairman.  
W. B. GRIEVE,  
Secretary.  
JAMES S. AYRE,  
Asst. Secty.

# R. D. A.

## Recruiting Committee

(1) Ackn receipt & state that  
I approve of the appointment of  
Mr D. Thistle to the rank of  
Lieut. in the Royal Forestry.

to find and operate of the  
Special Co. of Selection &

St. John's Newfoundland, also to leave <sup>for</sup> what  
date to come to the date,  
~~to the date of the 31st of May 1917~~  
May 31st. 1917

~~in the day of the 1st of June 1917~~  
that the date of the 1st of June  
is the date of the 1st of June

does think my receipt and document.

Sir,

I have the honour to bring under your notice, on the <sup>for the date</sup>  
recommendation of Major Sullivan, the name of Mr. David <sup>when he</sup>  
Thistle for a commission as Lieutenant in the Forestry <sup>has been</sup>  
Companies. <sup>to be made</sup>  
<sup>for his own appointment.</sup>

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*F. J. Morris*  
Chairman.

W. B. G.  
31.5.17

His Excellency

Colonel Sir W.E. Davidson  
K.C.M.G.

&c. &c. &c.



FORESTRY COMPANIES?

Extract of Regimental Order dated June 12, 1917.

By Lieut.Col.Sir. W.E.Davidson, K.C.M.G., Officer Comdg.

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David Thistle, Esq.,

to be Lieutenant.from May 12, 1917.

Copies to W. B. Griener  
M. S. Sullivan  
Wm Scott

W.L.D.

S.S. 17

May 4, 1917.

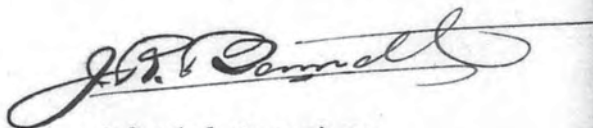
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Sir,

I beg to intimate to Your Excellency that I am in receipt of a letter from the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, stating that he has much pleasure in attending to the transfer of Mr. David Thistle to the Newfoundland Forestry Company.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your Excellency's obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

His Excellency  
Sir Walter E. Davidson, K.C.M.G.,  
etc., etc., etc.,  
Governor.

C.R. 0-181

The Honourable  
The Colonial Secretary.

On Sunday last 22nd instant at the request of Mr. M.S. Sullivan I wrote out an application to the Government for permission to have Mr. D. Thistle Examiner of Mill Accounts, Department of Agriculture & Mines, transferred to the Newfoundland Forestry Companies.

Mr. Thistle is himself an applicant I understand with the permission of the Hon. S.D. Blandford, the Minister of the Department.

Through some mischance the Minute appears not to have left my office. I desire to express my regret and my apologies to yourself and to the Hon. Mr. Blandford.

I understand from Mr. M.S. Sullivan that Mr. Thistle is personally helping to raise the Forestry Companies.

I ask the permission of the Government and of the Minister that the services of Mr. D. Thistle may be transferred with the ultimate intention of appointment to commissioned rank in the Newfoundland Forestry Companies when formed.

Governor.

26 April, 1917.



*Receipt*

M.F.A. 2

## DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

March 26, 1918.

Officer Commanding Depot,  
Headquarters.

Capt. David Thistle.

You will instruct this officer to report to the Standing Medical Board at the first convenient opportunity. Please advise the D.M.S. of the date when Captain Thistle will appear before the board.

*Montgomerie*

Major.

District Officer Commanding.

Newfoundland.

April 15th. 1918.

From Officer Commanding,  
Depot.

To Capt. D. Thistle.  
City.

Sir,-

I am instructed by the Militia Department to request that you report yourself to Major Montgomerie to-morrow morning at 10.30 O'clock in the Office of the District Officer Commanding in Stott's Building.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your obedient Servant,

MARCH 26th. 1918.

Captain D. Thistle,  
Newfoundland Forestry Companies.

Sir,

I am instructed by the Officer Commanding, Depot, to request that you present yourself before the Standing Medical Board on Wednesday, March 27th. 1918, at 8 p.m..

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your obedient Servant,

March 27th. 1918.

From Officer Commanding,  
Depot.

To District Officer Commanding,  
Department of Militia.

Sir,-

Captain D. Thistle.

Above noted officer has been requested to present  
himself before Standing Medical Board on Wednesday  
March 27th. 1918, at 8 P.M.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your obedient Servant,

Whistle David Captain  
(Forestry)

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P. & R. Q.









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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF Capt. D. Thistle

FROM 1-6-18. TO 11-6-18  
(both days inclusive)

LEDGER FOLIO No.137 Embarked for U.K. 11/6/18.

Date	Particulars	No. of Days	Rate per Day		Amount	
					Dr.	Cr.
	<b>CR.</b>					
	Balances from last a/c					
	Pay	11	3	60		33 00
	Field Allowances	11		75		8 25
	Mess "	11	2	00		22 00
	Other "					
	<b>DR.</b>					
	Balance from last a/c					
	Deposit Bank of Montreal, Water Street, St. John's					
	Allotment	11	1	60	17	60
	Totals			17	60	63 25
	Debit Balance					
	Credit Balance			45	65	
	Checked by <i>[Signature]</i>			\$63	25	\$63 25

*PROVED*  
*[Signature]*  
C.C.M.S.  
11-7-18

Copy sent  
N.F.

Newfoundland Forestry Corps

N.F. P/10.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Statement of Account of Capt. D. Thistle

From 12/6/18 to 30/8/18  
Embarked for Newfoundland 11/6/18.  
Leger Folio No.

(both days inclusive)

Arrived U. K. 7/9/18.

Date	Particulars	No. of Days	Rate per Day	Amount		Dr.			Cr.			
				\$	c.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
	Cr.											
	Balance from last a/c HQ., 11/6/18								9	7	7	
	Pay	80	3 00	240	00							
	Field Allowance	80	75	60	00							
	Mess " 7/7/18-30/8/18	55	4/-						11	0	0	
	Travelling Expenses Overseas Allowance			10	00							
	@ \$ 4.86 $\frac{2}{3}$ ...			\$ 310	00				63	14	0	
	Dr.											
	Balance from last a/c											
	Deposit BANK OF MONTREAL, WATERLOO PLACE, LONDON, S.W.											
16/7/18	F. M. A. 451					8	18	9				
	Voucher 5510					13	2	0				
2/8/18	5520					17	12	3				
30/8/18	5532					17	19	5				
	Allotment	80	1 60	128	00	26	8	0				
	Totals				£		85	18	5	84	1	7
	Debit Balance											
	Credit "						5	2				
	Checked by <i>[Signature]</i>				£		84	1	7	84	1	7

*File*

PAY & RECORD OFFICE,  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.,

Capt. D. Thistle,

16/2/18

23/2/18 (8 days)

Repatriated 23/2/18

8 300 24" 00 ✓

8 75 6 00 ✓

8 4/- 1 12 0 ✓

30 00 ✓

6 3 3 ✓

Feb 21

5 2 8 ✓

Allotment

8 160 12 80 2 12 7 ✓

*[Handwritten mark]*

21st February 8

*[Handwritten signature]*

7 15 3 ✓ 7 15 3 ✓

30th January

8

1521/6/P&A  
FM/S

Bank of Montreal,


9, Waterloo Place,

Pall Mall, S. W.

Capt. D. Thistle,

Newfoundland Forestry Corps.

The above named Officer's Pass Book, is forwarded at his request for completion and return to him at the following address,- Newfoundland Forestry Corps, Dunkeld, Perthshire, Scotland.

  
Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.

MEMORANDUM.

From **Capt. D. Thistle,**  
**Nfld, Forestry Companies,**

From

To **Lt. F. W. Marshall,**  
**Nfld. Pay & Record Office,**  
**58, Victoria Street,**  
**London, S. W. 1.**

**Capt. D. Thistle,**  
**Newfoundland Forestry Corps,**  
**Dunkeld.**

ANSWER. 2064

Dunkeld, Perthshire,

Pay & Record Office,

Feb. 6th 1918

8th Feb. 8

Dear Mr. Marshall,

Reference my Pass Book. ~~Montreal~~ <sup>Reverse:</sup> Bank of Montreal states that Pass Book have not yet received this ~~was~~ <sup>is</sup> posted to you on 31/1/18, I would greatly obliged if you ~~was~~ <sup>is</sup> requested. would ring up the Bank and ask them to send it on at once.

Yours sincerely,

D. Thistle,  
Capt.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

FM/S

✓  
1369  
8/2/18



BRANCH  
C.  
ACTED UPON

MEMORANDUM.

No. \_\_\_\_\_  
From O.C.  
Nfld Forestry Companies.  
To Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58 Victoria Street,  
London, S. W. 1.

Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records,  
From Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W.1.  
To O.C.  
Newfoundland Forestry Companies  
58, Victoria Street,  
S.W.1.  
HT/DM. ANSWER.

NEWFOUNDLAND RECORDS  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE

~~9433~~

Ref. No. 36  
Iss'd. 13 **FEB 1918** Perthshire,  
Ack'd. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ans'd. Feb. 11th. 191 8.  
File No. \_\_\_\_\_

Pay & Record Office,

13th February, 1918.

Passage to Newfoundland is required  
for Capt. D. Thistle who has been  
recommended for discharge, please.

As indicated elsewhere transport  
prospects are indefinite.

You will be notified of future  
developements please.

*W.A. Ross*  
for O.C. Nfld Forestry Companies. **Capt.**

*W.A.S.*  
**Major,**  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

POST OFFICE  
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TELEGRAPHS

Office Stamp  
WESTERN DISTRICTS  
20 FEB 1918  
*229*

Handled in at: Office of Origin and Service Instructions: Words: Charges to pay:

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1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE  
Ref. No. *1835*  
Rec'd. *21 FEB 1918*  
Ack'd. *1-70*  
Ans'd. *1-70*  
File No. *47*  
*P.V.*

THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY ANY ENQUIRY RESPECTING THIS TELEGRAM.

Received here at  
*8.42*

TO

LIEUT F W MARSHALL C/O SYNOPTICAL

LONDON +

WIRE IMMEDIATELY FULL AMOUNT DEPOSITED MY

CREDIT MONTREAL BANK SINCE ARRIVAL + CAPT

THISTLE





N.F.L.D. Frosting Companies  
Craigvinnan, Camp  
Scotland

10-2-18.

Medical Officer's Report for Recommendation of Discharge.

Capt Thistle B. Coy.

This officer has not been properly fit  
ever since coming over to this country.  
He has been unaccustomed to roughing  
it; and is rather old now (53 years)  
for the training necessary.

COPY SENT TO
O.C. H.Q.
ST. JOHNS, N.F.L.D.
N.F.P.38, No. ....
DATED 22/2/18

J.H. Taylor, M.D.  
acting M.O.

5010/16R.&C.

Forms  
C. 348  
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NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE.

MEMORANDUM NOS IN 3344

From Chief Paymaster &  
D.i/c Records,  
Nfld. Contingent,

To Chief Administrative Officer  
Nfld. Forestry Corps,  
58, Victoria Street,  
S.W.1.

Rec'd 12 APR 1918

from M. M. Boston,

Ack'd C.A.O.

Let. Nos. OUT

To Capt. Baird,  
O.C. Nfld. Forestry Corps,  
Dunkeld.

ANCH | DAY |

Comd. | ANSWER.

Pay & Record Office,

58, Victoria Street, S.W.1.

2nd April, 1918.

April 3rd 1918.

Captain D. Thistle.

Can you give me any information on this case in addition to what appears in the official records?  
M.M.B.

The following is an extract of telegram (3021) received 2/4/18 from the Hon. Minister of Militia:

- "Following for- O.C.-
- "Foresters- begins- Capt.-
- "Thistle- found- fit for
- "general- service- by-Medical
- "Board-held-March 27- why-
- "was he- Repatriated- end,"

Can you please say?

April 11th  
Major Timewell,  
O.i/c Pay & Records.

(Sgd) H. A. Timewell,  
Major,

Please see attached copy of Capt. Baird's reply to my query re above, for information of Minister of Militia. In my letter of Feb. 22nd to the Minister of Militia I dealt fully with the repatriation of Capt. Thistle and others who were sent back without being Boarded and explained why we took this action. Capt. Baird's letter gives the facts in detail.

Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.  
HA/JC

*M. M. Boston*  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER,  
NEWFOUNDLAND FORESTRY CORPS.

Copy  
Nfld. Forestry Companies,  
Dunkeld,  
Perthshire.  
Scotland.

4th April, 1918.

Chief Administrative Officer,  
Nfld. Forestry Companies,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W.1.

Dear Mr. Beeton,

Capt. D. Thistle.

With reference to your memo of the 3rd inst. The above noted Officer was repatriated on the recommendation of Dr. J. A. Taylor, Actg M. O i/c. If you remember we asked if Capt. Thistle and the other eight men should be boarded in compliance with instructions from the Minister of Militia and in your reply you stated that Capt. Thistle and the other eight men should be sent according to instructions by Major Timewell as if we did not avail of this opportunity it would be some time before these men could be repatriated, and acting on these instructions he left for Liverpool on February 22nd.

Capt. Thistle had a cold when he arrived and he was given four days leave so as he could recuperate. He then went to work and worked about ten days. He then reported sick and was sick for about one week. The MO then recommended one week's sick leave. This was granted and if you remember he went to London. After his week's leave he returned to work and in a very short time reported sick again. The M. O then recommended that he be billeted out of Camp and this permission was granted him. As he was still sick the M. O then recommended that he should be discharged as he did not consider that he would be of any further service over here.

These are the particulars to the best of my knowledge and in asking to have him repatriated I did not wish to interfere with the decision of the Medical Officer in case anything should have happened to Capt. Thistle and then I would be directly to blame .

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) W. H. Baird, Captain.



COPY.

Nfld Forestry Companies,  
Dunkeld,  
Perthshire,  
Scotland,

4th April, 1918.

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Nfld Forestry Companies,  
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Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) W. H. BAIRD, Captain.

Cables and Telegrams :  
"SYNOPTICAL," London.

Telephone :  
VICTORIA 147.

Communications to be addressed to the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/O RECORDS,  
and the following No. quoted :

*Copy to Drunkell*  
*31/7/18*

N. F. P/38.

**ORIGINAL.**

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

**ENCLOSURE**

## MEMORANDUM.

No. 5858/256/R.&C.

*0-181*

From  
**PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,**  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.

To  
**Hon. Minister of Militia,**  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

16th April, 1918.

HA/JC

**SUBJECT :**

**CAPTAIN D. THISTLE,**  
Newfoundland Forestry  
Corps.

Reference Nos.

**REPLY**

Dated June 26th 1918

Please return **ORIGINAL** and retain **DUPLICATE.**

With reference to your tele-  
gram of 2/4/18 (3021):

"Following for- O.C.- Foresters-of the Medical Board held on Capt.  
"begins- Capt.- Thistle- found-  
"fit for general service- by- D.Thistle, Newfoundland Forestry Corp  
"Medical Board- held- March  
"27- why- was he- repatriated- on March 27th which found that this  
"ends-"

In addition to particulars  
available and sent under N.F.P.  
38, copies of:

This Office No. 5010/16/R.&C.  
Capt. Baird's letter of 4/4/18  
to C.A.O., Forestry Corps,

are enclosed, please, for your  
information.

*[Signature]*  
Major,

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records.

I enclose copies of proceeding  
of the Medical Board held on Capt.  
Thistle, Newfoundland Forestry Corp  
which found that this  
officer was fit for general service.

It was as a result of this find-  
ing that my cable of the 2nd of April  
was despatched.

The copies of correspondence  
forwarded by you are noted. This  
officer has again been sent over for  
duty with his Unit in Scotland, and  
it is hoped that the indisposition  
which caused his return to this  
Country will not recur.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
6549  
*W. F. Henderson*  
20 JUL 1918  
Ack'd  
Ref. Nos. 001  
Lieut. Col., C.S.O.  
for Minister of Militia.

BRANCH	
COMM	
P & A	
R & O	
B & E	
P.S.	



30th July . . . . . 8

12095/46/P&A

Bank of Montreal,  
9, Waterloo Place,  
Pall Mall, S. W. 1.

Capt. D. Thistle,  
Newfoundland Forestry Corps,

The above Officer's Pass Book is enclosed for  
completion and return to him at the following address:

Capt. D. Thistle,  
Newfoundland Forestry Corps,  
Dunkeld, N. B.

He also desires that you forward a cheque book  
to him, please.

FM/S

Chief Paymaster & O.i/c <sup>Major</sup> Records;

Officers are requested when corresponding to give rank and unit.

B.

*Bank of Montreal.*

*9, Waterloo Place.*

*Ball Mall.*

*London, S.W.1. 31st July 1918.*

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS  
ELAGAMONT, LONDON.

TELEPHONE N<sup>o</sup>9  
REGENT 701/2.

12095/46/P&A.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter of the 30th inst., and as therein requested, have today forwarded to Capt. D. Thistle, at the address furnished, a pass book and cheque book for his use.

Yours faithfully,

*J. W. Oliver*

Sub-Agent.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
Bel. nos. in	✓ 6909
Rec'd	
9/8/18 <i>JW</i>	

The Paymaster & Officer i/c Records,  
Pay & Record Office,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58 Victoria Street,  
S.W.1.

DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY  
Posted 25 APR 1918

5858/258/R.&C.

*Shane*

Hon. Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.



HA/JC

16th April,

CAPTAIN D. THISTLE,  
Newfoundland Forestry  
Corps.

*OK*

June 26th 1918.

With reference to your tele-  
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"Following for- O.C.- Foresters-  
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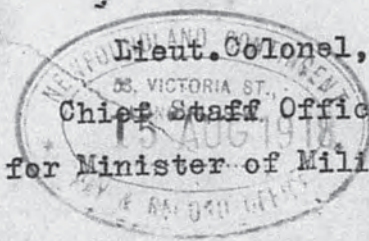
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*W. J. Rendell*

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & C. i/c Records.

Lieut. Colonel,  
Chief Staff Officer,  
for Minister of Militia.





Forms  
C. 848  
1660

CLEARED  
Army Form C. 340.  
**SUSPENSE!**  
From  
ES. VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, SW1A 1JF  
RECEIVED

P/200.

MEMORANDUM.

From . O.C.  
Nfld Forestry Co'ys.

To Chief Paymaster & C i/c  
London.

From  
Command Paymaster,  
London District,  
168, Regent St, W.  
ANSWER.

13175

~~Kenmore, Perthshire.~~

~~Pay & Record Office,~~

~~August 9th 1918.~~

~~16th, August 1918~~

Herewith A.F.O 1771 referring  
to claim of Capt. D. Thistle,  
please.

Forwarded to you for  
pre-audit, please.

*[Signature]*  
Major,  
Chief Paymaster & C i/c Records.

*[Signature]* Major.  
O.C. NEWFOUNDLAND FORESTRY COYS

FM/WF

*[Handwritten initials]*

13543

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS,  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W. 1,  
ENGLAND.

Chief Paymaster & O i/c Recds.  
58, Victoria St.

Officer Commanding,  
Newfoundland Forestry Corps,  
Kenmore, Loch Tay,  
N. B.

The attached claim  
for pre-audit and return,  
please.

Cheque 18s. 6d. in  
favour of Capt. D. Thistle is  
enclosed, please.

(sd)

... Captain,  
Asst. Paymaster,  
For Ch. Paymaster & O i/c Recds.

7491  
21, Aug, 1918.

London, S. W. 1.  
24/8/18.

POST OFFICE



TELEGRAPHS.

Office Stamp.

This Form must accompany any inquiry respecting this Telegram.

Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

James Briggs

Charges } s. d.  
to pay }



Handed }  
in at } 10 73a M.

Received }  
here at } 11 25a M.

TO }

Pay and Receipts office

58 Victoria St hdn

Miss He left ayr before warrant  
arrived

Craig 84 Preswick Rd

Handwritten scribbles

Whistle, L. Capt.

0-181

Hay Capt.







COPY



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF Capt. D. Thistle

FROM 1-6-18 TO 11-6-18  
(both days inclusive)

LEDGER FOLIO No. 137 Embarked for wk. 11/6/18

Date	Particulars	No. of Days	Rate per Day	Amount	
				Dr.	Cr.
	<b>CR.</b>				
	Balances from last a/c				
	Pay	11	3 00		33 00
	Field Allowances	11	75		825
	Mess "	11	2.00		22 00
	Other "				
	<b>DR.</b>				
	Balance from last a/c				
	Deposit Bank of Montreal, Water Street, St. John's				
	<i>Allotment</i>	11	1.60	17 60	
	Totals			17 60	63 25
	Debit Balance			45 65	
	Credit Balance				63 25
	Checked by <i>[Signature]</i>			63 25	63 25



# DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF Lieut. D. Thistle

FROM 1-12-17 TO 10-12-17  
(both days inclusive)

LEDGER FOLIO NO. 110

Date	Particulars	No. of Days	Rate per Day	Amount	
				Dr.	Cr.
	<b>CR.</b>				
	Balances from last a/c				
	Pay	10	2 00		20 00
	Field Allowances	10	60		6 00
	Mess "	10	2 00		20 00
	Other "				
	<b>DR.</b>				
	Balance from last a/c				
	Deposit Bank of Montreal, Water Street, St. John's				
	<i>allotment</i>	10	1.60	16 00	
	Totals			16 00	46 00
	Debit Balance				
	Credit Balance			30 00	
	Checked by			46.00	46 00

Amount paid by & payment all over  
 Balance due

\$149.00  
 \$6.00  
 \$255.00



November 28th.

7.

Lieut. D. Whistle,  
Recruiting Officer,  
Wellington, N.Z.

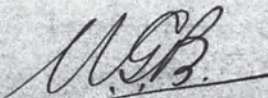
Sir,-

I have your message to this Office, asking for money, and as I have no notification whether it is money meant for recruiting expenses; I presume it is your cheque for pay for the month of November - so I am herewith enclosing cheque No. 361, for the amount of £90.00, being the amount due you as pay, Field & Subsistence Allowances less allotment for the month of November.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Asst. Paymaster,  
Forestry Companies.

UGB/JH.

Enclosure.

November 28th.

7.

Lieut. D. Thistle,  
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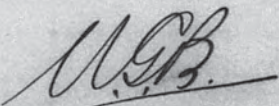
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**DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.**

**PAY VOUCHER.**

\$ 92<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

*July 18 1919*

**Received** from the *First Newfoundland Regiment*

the sum of *Twenty two* Dollars.

on account  
balance of Pay.

*D. Thistle*

Ch. No. <i>290</i>	Initials <i>ew</i>
Pay Ledger <i>147</i>	Initials <i>jt</i>
Gen. Ledger	Initials

Regtl. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Rank *Boys*

*112*



No. ....

Rank *Capt.* .....

Name .....

*D. Smith*

**DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.**

**REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.**

**PAY VOUCHER.**

*Forestry*

*\$128.<sup>65</sup>/<sub>100</sub>*

*June 5<sup>th</sup> 1918*

**Received** from the *First Newfoundland Regiment*  
the sum of *One hundred Twenty Eight* <sup>*65*</sup> *Dollars.*

on account of Pay. *to 31/5/18*  
balance

*D. Smith Capt.*

Ch. No. <i>1290</i>	Initials <i>EW</i>
Pay Ledger <i>37</i>	Initials <i>[Signature]</i>
Gen. Ledger <i>Pay</i>	Initials <i>[Signature]</i>

Regtl. No. .... Rank .....

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank *Capt*

Name *D. Little*

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 93<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>.

Nov. 9 1917.

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of Ninety three Dollars.  
on account of Pay for Oct. 1917 Less allot. \$1<sup>60</sup> per day.  
balance

D. Thrift.

Ch. No. 220	Initials. UGB
Pay Ledger	Initials.
Gen. Ledger	Initials. RL

Regtl. No. 197 Rank Lieut.

No. 197

Rank Lieut.

Name D. Shickle

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.

*Provincy*

REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ <sup>40</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

*Mar 29<sup>th</sup> 1918*

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of *ninety One* <sup>40</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.

on account  
balance of Pay. to *31/3/18*

*D. Shindt* Capt

Ch. No. <i>1016</i>	Initials.....
Pay Ledger <i>137</i>	Initials <i>lele</i>
Gen. Ledger <i>137</i>	Initials <i>lele</i>

Regtl. No..... Rank.....

*7/18*

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank Capt.

Name A. Whittle

*14*  
*Corby*  
**DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.**  
**REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.**

**PAY VOUCHER.**

\$ *117.00*

*April 30* 19 *18*

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of *one hundred seventeen* <sup>*00*</sup>/<sub>*100*</sub> Dollars.  
on account of Pay. *April 30<sup>th</sup>*  
balance

Ch. No. <i>1162</i>	Initials <i>C. J. D.</i>
Pay Ledger <i>137</i>	Initials <i>C. J. D.</i>
Gen. Ledger	Initials <i>C. J. D.</i>

Regtl. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

*C. J. D.*



No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank Captain

Name D. H. Hester

for R of M

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 90<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

Nov. 28 1917.

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment Forestry Corps  
the sum of Ninety Dollars.  
on account of Pay.  
balance

Mailed to Lt. D. Shelle  
Dunclinyake Nov. 28 1917

Ch. No. 361	Initials UGB
Pay Ledger 113	Initials UGB
Gen. Ledger	Initials UGB

Regtl. No. Rank

per  
U. G. Bursey

No. ....

Rank *Serjt.*

Name

*D. Hustle (Forestry)*

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER

\$ 90 <sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>.

Dec. 7 1917.

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment

the sum of Twenty Dollars.

on account of Pay for November  
balance of 5 shirts sent.

Cheque 4446  
replacing 361.

Ch. No. 361	Initials UAB
Pay Ledger 115	Initials [Signature]
Gen. Ledger [Signature]	Initials [Signature]

Regtl. No. Rank

[Signature]

No. ....

Rank

*Leut.*

Name

*D. G. Hinkle*