



# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 3498 Name Gordon Thomas Coeng. Corps

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

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|--|------------------------------------|
| 1. What is your name? .....  | 1. <u>Gordon Thomas</u>            |
| 2. What is your full Address? .....  | 2. <u>8 Bunsco Road</u>            |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? .....  | 3. <u>Yes</u>                      |
| 4. What is your age? .....   | 4. <u>18</u> Years <u>2</u> Months |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? .....  | 5. <u>None</u>                     |
| 6. Are you Married? .....  | 6. <u>No</u>                       |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? .....                             | 7. <u>No</u>                       |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? .....  | 8. <u>Yes</u>                      |
| 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? .....   | 9. <u>Yes</u>                      |
| 10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you?....                                       | 10. { Name .....<br>Corps ..... }  |
| 11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? ..... | 11. <u>Yes</u>                     |

THE DURATION OF THE WAR

I, Gordon Thomas 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.

8-1-3-17 G. Mitchell SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
Signature of Witness.

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

I, Gordon Thomas 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 on this ..... day of ..... 1915.

Signature of Attesting Officer W. D. ...

### †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 ..... 1915  
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).....





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| 1. What is your name? .....  | 1. <u>Gordon Thomas</u>                      |
| 2. What is your full Address? .....  | 2. <u>8 Barussa Road</u><br><u>St. Johns</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? .....  | 3. <u>Yes</u>                                |
| 4. What is your age? .....   | 4. <u>18</u> Years ..... Months              |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? .....  | 5. <u>Clerk</u>                              |
| 6. Are you Married? .....  | 6. <u>No</u>                                 |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? .....                             | 7. <u>No</u>                                 |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? .....  | 8. <u>Yes</u>                                |
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| 11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? ..... | 11. <u>Yes</u>                               |

I, Gordon Thomas 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.

1-3-17 G. Thomas SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
A. M. ... Signature of Witness.

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### 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. Johns on this 13 day of March 1917

Signature of Attesting Officer Marsh. ...

### †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 ..... 1917 } Approving Officer.  
Place .....

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## Department of Militia

## MEMORANDUM

C.R. 3498

No. 209/3498

From  
**MINISTER OF MILITIA,**  
**ST. JOHN'S,**  
**NEWFOUNDLAND**

To  
 Chief Staff Officer  
 Pay & Record Office  
 Newfoundland Contingent  
 58 Victrola Street  
 London S.W

Sep 3rd, 1919

FM/FK. 12683/P&amp;A

SUBJECT:

REPLY

3498, I/Cpl. Gordon Thomas

Dated 19th December 1919

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE

With further reference to my 173/3498 of 14/6/19, and your reply No. 10355 of 11/8/19, \*this soldier appears in the film taken while Mr. Bennett was in France. Part of that film depicts certain members of the Regiment being presented with their military decorations by the then Minister of Militia: and Thomas is noted in the list of names as "Thompson".

Enclosed are minutes of correspondence exchanged with the War Office.

A half dozen prints were obtained from the cutting of the film at a cost of £1:5:0: Relative N.F.P.62 is enclosed for adjustment. Photograph and cutting of film are also enclosed.

Serjt. Major Gullickson is on the right of the squad of recipients as they face Mr. Bennett, and I/Cpl. Thomas is the 2nd from the left. It will be noted that as the film moves, in several of the pictures there is quite a space between him and the men on either side, which it is thought would facilitate the making of a photograph from the negative. I should be glad to hear further whether it is possible to have this done.

*W. J. Munnell* Lt.-Col.  
 Chief Staff Officer (London).

*A. E. Hickman*  
 Minister of Militia.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
 PAY & RECORD OFFICE.

Ref. Nos. IN 5557

Rec'd 25 SEP 1919

Ack'd Ans'd

Ref. Nos. OUT

ACTED UPON

BRANCH DATE BY

Comd

P &amp; A.

R. &amp; G.

S. &amp; E.

P. S.

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

N.F.P./62.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT No. 20Hon. Minister of Militia,  
St. John's, Newfoundland.

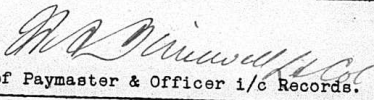
MEMORANDUM of PAYMENTS made on account and at request of:

Minister of Militia, Photographs of the Late 3498 L/Cpl  
Thomas, reference your memorandum 209/3498, 3/9/19.To be credited to Pay & Record Office, London, and adjusted  
with parties concerned.

Date 1919	Paid to	Particulars and Authority	Amount		
			£	s	d
Nov. 28	Academy Studios 44, Berners Street, LONDON. W.	6 Cabinet Enlargements of No. 3498 L/Cpl Thomas from cutting of film	1	5	0
	<i>Recd</i>				
			1	5	0

Pay & Record Office,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W. 1,

19th December 1919

  
Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTPayments as stated above have been credited to Pay & Record  
Office, London, and adjusted by me.

H.Q., St. John's, Nfld,

\_\_\_\_\_ 191

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

ORIGINAL of this FORM to be COMPLETED and RETURNED INTACT to:  
Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records, Nfld Contgt, London, S.W. 1.DUPLICATE to be RETAINED for REFERENCE.

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

N.F.P./62.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT No. 20

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MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE.

(1)

Memorandum from Chief Staff Officer(London), Newfoundland Contingent,  
To:- Major. Harris, Room 273, War Office, London, S.W.1., dated  
October 6th, 1919. No: 11621/259/P&A.

With reference to conversation of the 3rd inst., over the telephone, the following is an extract of the Minister of Militia's letter 3/9/19., relating to 3498 L/Cpl. G. Thomas, Royal Newfoundland Regiment,-

"This soldier appears in the film taken while Mr. Bennett was in France. Part of that film depicts certain members of the Regiment being presented with their military decorations by the then Minister of Militia; and Thomas is noted in the list of names as "Thompson".

"Sergt Major Gullickson is on the right of the squad of recipients as they face Mr Bennett, and L/Cpl Thomas is the 2nd from the left. It will be noted that as the film moves, in several of the pictures there is quite a space between him and the men on either side, which it is thought would facilitate the making of a photograph from the negative. I should be glad to hear further whether it is possible to have this done."

The film referred to was taken between 22nd and 28th June 1918 when the late Minister of Militia, (Hon. J.R. Bennett) was visiting the Royal Newfoundland Regiment in France.

(2)

Reminder from Chief Staff Officer (London), Newfoundland Contingent To Major Harris, Room 273, War Office, London, S.W.1. dated 7/11/19 No. 12151/P&A.

The reply to this office No. 11621/259, P&A, 6/10/19, relating to Cinematograph Films not having been received, you are requested to expedite the same, and to state on the reverse when it may be expected.

(3)

Letter from Major. Harris, Room 175, War Office, London, S.W.1. To:- Chief Staff Officer (London), Newfoundland Contingent, 58 Victoria Street, S.W.1. dated 12/11/19. No: ACTB/75.

With reference to your A.F.C.347-1 No. 12151/P&A dated 7/11/19 will you please forward copy of your letter No: 1162/259 to this office as early as possible. No trace of original letter can be found in this office.

(4)

Letter from Chief Staff Officer (London), Newfoundland Contingent, To The Secretary, War Office, London, S.W.1., dated 19/11/19., No: 12269/281/P&A

With reference to your letter ACTB/75, 12/11/19 (6029): Copy of this office letter 11621/259/P&A, 6/10/19 is enclosed.

(5)

Letter from Major. Harris, Room 175, War Office, S.W.1. To:- Chief Staff Officer (London), Newfoundland Contingent, dated 25/11/19 No: ACB/75.

With reference to your letter No. 12269/281/P&A., dated 19th November 1919, I beg to inform you that we have got the film in question, but as it is difficult to identify L/Cpl. Thomas, could you please arrange for someone to come here to see the picture on the screen, and select the desired portion.

CONTINUED.

(6)

Letter from Chief Staff Officer (London), Newfoundland Contingent,  
To:- Captain. Harris, Room 175, War Office, S.W.1., dated 26/11/19,  
No.12358/283/P&A.

With reference to your letter ACE/75, 25/11/19 (6234): Staff Sergt  
Hutchings who was personally acquainted with the late L/Cpl, Thomas  
will identify him on the film and select the portion required.

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209/3498 C.R. 3498

Chief Staff Officer  
Pay & Record Office  
Newfoundland Contingent  
58 Victoria Street  
London S.W

Sept 3rd, 1919

3498, L/Cpl. Gordon Thomas

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Minister of Militia.

## Department of Militia

## MEMORANDUM

C.R. 3498

No. 173/3489

From

MINISTER OF MILITIA,  
ST. JOHN'S,  
NEWFOUNDLAND

June 14th 1919

To

Chief Staff Officer  
Pay & Record Office  
Newfoundland Contingent  
58 Victoria Atstreet  
London S.W.1

10355

SUBJECT:

No. 3498, L/Cpl. Gordon Thomas  
Deceased

REPLY

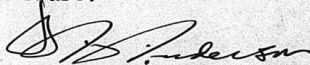
Dated 11th August, 1919.

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE

The father of the above noted deceased soldier has requested that we use endeavours to procure a photograph from a film of his son. I should like you to ascertain if there is such a photograph of L/Cpl Thomas in your Office, and if so kindly have same forwarded to this Office for transference to Mr. Thomas

It is extremely difficult to say for certain whether there is a photograph of Pte. Thomas in any of the cinema films at this office. Copies of all films have been sent to Newfoundland and possibly, if Mr. Thomas could see them he would be able to recognise his son, in which case if you inform this office of the particulars, steps might be taken to have a photograph made from the negative of any such film. *Wass*.

I am endeavouring to get a photograph of Pte. Thomas' grave for his father.



Capt.,  
Asst. Military Secretary,  
For Chief Staff Officer (London).

*A. E. Aitken*  
Minister of Militia.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT	
PAY & RECORD OFFICE	
REF. NO.	4389
DATE	19 JUL 1919
FILED	
REF. NOS.	001
BY	
BEA. CL.	
Comd.	
P & A.	
R & C.	
B & E.	
P.S.	





C.R. 3498

# DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
DEPT. OF MILITIA  
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

June 10th 1919.

*WLS*

RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA:

1. Parcel

Containing ~~the~~ effects of ~~my~~ <sup>my</sup> late son  
#3498, Pte. G. Thomas. *In M.*

Date *16/6/19*

Signed

*Henry J. Thomas*

173/3489

Chief Staff Officer  
Pay & Record Office  
Newfoundland Contingent  
58 Victoria Street  
London S.W.1


June 14th 1919

No. 3498, L/Cpl. Gordon Thomas  
Deceased

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Minister of Militia.

No. of Paper 1442**PERSONAL EFFECTS.**Name Thomas G.C.R. No. 3498Rank PrivateRegiment ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Article	Where stored	Notified by
1 Cotton bag containing: - Letters, ✓ photos, ✓ cards, wallet, ✓ relig. book, ✓ whistles, ✓ 3 phits cig, ✓ 2 combs, ✓ soap box, ✓ razor strap, ✓ 2 note books, ✓ mirror, ✓ shaving brush, ✓ 11-1d. stamps, ✓ badge and buttons, ✓ 1 miniature iron ✓ cross.		
	Final disposal	
	OK	

Remarks: - Casualty Advice: - Deceased 16-10-18  
 Next of Kin: - Father: - H. J. Thomas,  
 8 Barnes Road,  
 St. Johns.

No. 549

Received from

Received a Registered Postal Packet addressed as on the Receipt Form bearing the above No.

Office }  
Stamp }



A REGISTERED POSTAL PACKET

Addressed—

*H. J. Thomas*

*J. Barnes Ad  
Cebu*

Received a Registered Postal Packet addressed as above...

*JAS 12/1919*



C.R. 3498

June 10th. 1919.

Mr. H. J. Thomas,  
8 Barnes Road,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

It is my regrettable duty to have to forward to you, by Registered mail, One parcel containing some effects which belonged to your late son, No. 3498 Private G. Thomas of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

I enclose herewith receipt, kindly resign same and return to this Department at your earliest convenience.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement and in the added sorrow which the receipt of this effects must entail.

Yours sincerely,

BC.

Lieut.  
Casualty Officer.

C.R. 3498

May 9th, 1919

Mr. Harry Thomas  
Barnes Road

Dear Mr. Thomas:-

His Excellency the Governor is presenting two or three Medals to the next of kin of deceased soldiers on tomorrow, Saturday at 3.45 p.m. at Government House. I should be very glad if you can be present to receive from him the Medal won by your son, No. 3498, Private H. Thomas. I shall send a cab to your house to fetch you at about 3.30, unless I hear from you to the contrary.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

C.F. 3498

Jan. 11st 19.

Mr. H. J. Thomas,  
8 Barnes Road,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

The Military Medal won by the late  
Private G. Thomas has been just received.

I should be glad to know if you would  
prefer to have this forwarded to you by registered  
post, or if you would receive it at some public function  
when other medals will be presented to the next of kin  
of deceased soldiers and also some to the soldiers now  
in this country.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.

Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 3498

Extract from Casualties C.1723, 23/10/18, Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Dated 26th. October 1918.

3498 Pte. G. Thomas

D. of Wounds 116/10/18. Authority: O.C., 13 (Hav. USA) G.H. - 10/10/18



3498 L/Corp. Gordon Thomas.

Enlisted March 1st. 1917.

Embarked for Overseas Oct. 3rd. 1917.

Appointed L/Corp. July 31st. 1917.

Wounded April 15th. 1918.

Awarded Military Medal June 5th. 1918.

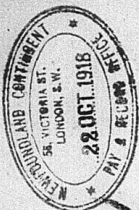
Died of wounds 16/10/18.

Award of Military Medal.

Extract from London Gazette.

" For conspicuous gallantry. He volunteered to reconnoitre forward positions after a heavy bombardment which were supposed to be occupied by the enemy. He showed great devotion to duty during the whole of the operations from the 12th. to the 20th. of April.

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PROGRESS REPORTS

C.R. 3498

NMs.P.146811.P.146812.P.146819.P.146820

O.C.46 C.C.S.FRANCE telegraphs 17 No.P.146811  
94324 Gnr. Pook P. Oct.18.  
A/307 Bde RFA. Shell Wd Chest

DANGEROUS

O.C.12 STY HOS ST POL telegraphs 17 No.P.146812  
175796 Pte. Preston Oct.18.  
ASC.63/Dv.MT.Co. Pneumonia (Adm.12 Oct.18) DANGEROUS

O.C.12 GEN HOS ROUEN telegraphs 17 No.P.146819  
44901 Pte. Humble J. 9/Yorks SW.Head.

DIED 17 Oct.18.

O.C.13 GEN HOS BOULOGNE telegraphs 17 No.P.146820  
3498 Pte. Thomas G. 1/R.Newf. GSW.Head.  
43089 Pte. Wallace W. 12/H.L.I. GSW.Multiple.

DIED 16.10.18.  
DIED 17.10.18.

C.R. 3498

Oct. 21st, 1918

Dear Mr. Thomas:-

I regret to inform you that a report has been received from the Record Office of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, London, to the effect that your son, No. 3498, L/Cerpl. Gordon Thomas, M.M., previously reported dangerously ill, suffering from Gun-shot wound head, at 13th General Hospital, Boulogne, died of wounds on Oct. 16th, Gun-shot wound head.

Should any further information be received concerning him, the same will at once be communicated to you.

Yours faithfully,

Minister of Militia.

Mr. H.J. Thomas  
8 Barnes Road

C.R. 3498

Oct 19<sup>th</sup>/18

Mr. Thomas:

Dear

I regret to have to inform you that a report has this day been received from the Record Office of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, London, to your son, No. 3498, L/Corpl. Gordon Thomas, M.M. is at the ~~Head~~ 15th General Hospital Boulogne, since October 16th dangerously ill suffering from G.S.W. head.

I trust that later reports will bring news of his convalescence.

Any further information received at this Office as to his condition will be at once notified to you.

Mr. H.J. Thomas  
8 Barnes Road

Yours faithfully,

Minister of Militia.

C.R. 3498

Extract from War Office List No. H.S. 30417.

ADMITTED 13th., (Harvard U. S. A. ) Gen. Hosp.  
Doulogne 1st ., October 1916.

#3498 Pte. G. Thomas

G.S.W. HEAD SEVERE.

C.R. 3498

Extract from War Office List No. H.A. 30417.

DIED 10-13th., (Harvard U. S. A. ) Gen. Hosp.  
Doulogne 1st ., October 1918. at 7.5 pm.

16 Oct. 1918.

3498 Pte. G. Thomas

G.S.W. Head.



C.R.

3498

Extract from Casualties received from Pay & Record  
Office, London, Dec.12,1918.

PLACE OF GRAVE.

Terlincthun British Cemetery, 1 mile North of  
Boulogne.

3498 Pte. G. Thomas.

(report Wimillel.59/

C.R. 3498

Extract of Telegram to Military St. John's dated June 25th. 1918.

1st. Battalion paraded June 23rd. under the Command of Major Bernard, M.C., in magnificent form, when the Minister of Militia decorated the following-

3498 Thomas

and addressed troops in the presence of several General Headquarters Staff and others. Speech excellent and much appreciated by all concerned, Minister being enthusiastically cheered by all ranks.

June 6th 1918.

Mr. Henry Thomas,  
8 Barnes' Road.

Dear Mr. Thomas,

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that your son, #3498 Pte. Gordon Thomas, has been awarded the Military Medal.

It is through the gallantry and bravery of such men as Pte. Thomas, that the Royal Newfoundland Regiment has earned such a splendid reputation as a fighting force.

Please accept the congratulations of the Department of Militia, as well as my own, on the proud distinction earned by your son.

Yours faithfully,

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

C.R. 3498

Extract from ~~Mail~~ Telegram received  
from London, dated June 5th, 1918.

The following decoration has been awarded the  
Military Medal:-

#3498 Pte. Gordon Thomas.

C.R. 3498

Extract of Casualty received from Pay & Record Office, London,  
dated 7th May 1918.

3498 Pte. G. Thomas

Discharged to "D" Reinf. Base Rouen Class "A" ex 2 Con. Depot  
19 Apr. 1918.

C.R. 3498

May 2nd, 1918.

Mr. H. J. Thomas,  
8 Barnes Rd.

Dear Mr. Thomas:-

In answer to our telegram dated April 28th to the Record Office, London, the following reply has been received:-

"In answer to your telegram April 28th  
"3498, Thomas admitted 2nd Convalescent  
"Depot, Rouen, April 16th."

Yours faithfully,

For Major, C.S.O.



C.R. 3498

Extract from Telegram received from London, dated  
April 30, 1918.

In answer your telegram April 28th, 3498 Thomas  
admitted ~~April 16th~~ 2nd Convalescent Depot, Rouen  
April 16th.

~~CR.~~ 3498

Extract from Telegram despatched to Synoptical, London,  
dated April 27th, 1918.

Unofficially reported 3498 Lance Corporal Thomas died  
of wounds please inform if correct.

C.R. 3498

Extract of Sick and Wounded N.C.Os. and Men of the Expeditionary Force  
-----France. List No: H.A. 22162. Dated 26th. April 1918.

3498 Pte. G. Thomas

1st. Royal Newfoundland Regiment ..... GSW. Scalp.

(Ex. 10 Gen. Hos.) Ad. 2 bars. Dep., Rouen, 16/4/18.

C.R.

3498

Extract from Casualties received from Pay & Record  
Office, London, dated April 25, 1918.

#3498 Pte. G. Thomas.

Gunshot wound Scalp mild.

Admitted 10th General Hospital, Rouen, April 15th, 1918.

C.R. 3498

April 18th, 18

Dear Mr. Thomas:-

I regret to have to inform you that a report has this day been received from the Record Office of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, London, to the effect that

No. 3498, L/Cpl. Gordon Thomas 77th Field Ambulance

April 18th G.S.W. head

I trust that later reports will bring news of his convalescence.

Any further information received at this Office as to his condition will be at once notified to you.

Yours faithfully,



Acting Minister of Militia

Mr. H. J. Thomas,

81 Banes Rd

C.R. 3498

Extract of Telegram despatched to Synoptical, London, dated  
April 8th, 1918.

With reference to my Telegram of March 5th, when was  
3498 Thomas paid.



C.R. 3498

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Extract of Nominal Roll of Draft No. 40; 80 Other Ranks from  
2nd. Bn., Royal Newfoundland Regiment, Winchester, to 1st. Bn.,  
Royal Newfoundland Regiment, B. E. F.  
Embarked Southampton, 27/3/18.

3498 Pte. G. Thomas.

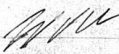
Jan. 3rd 1918.

Dear Mr. Thomas:-

I beg to inform you that we have received news by mail, from our Pay and Record Office, London, which states that your son the late L/C #3498 Gordon Thomas M.M., was buried at Terlinethun British Cemetery, 1 mile North of Boulogne.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement.

Yours faithfully,

  
Lieut.  
CASUALTY OFFICER.

H. J. Thomas Esq.,  
8 Barnes Road,  
C I T Y.

WVW/MP.

C.R. 3498

Extract from National Roll "██████████" registered at. John's,  
for Overseas, per S.S. PENNING, Oct. 3, 1917.

3498 B/6pl. G. Thomas.

C.R. 3498

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Unit The Royal  
Field. Regt., St. John's, July, 30th, 1917.

3498 Pte. G. Thomas.

To be Lance Corporal from July 31st, 1917.

3498

C.R.

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Unit The Royal  
Mfld.Regt., St. John's, Mar.1st, 1917.

3498 Pte. Gordon Thomas.

Attached to the Strength from March 1st, 1917.

J. Thomas.

C.R. 3498

Hand



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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Thomas

OF  
Christian Name Gordon

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on <u>1st</u> day of <u>Feb</u> 191 <u>7</u> at <u>St Johns</u>		on _____ day of _____ 191	at _____
Declared Age	<u>18</u> years _____ days		_____ years _____ days	_____ years _____ days
Trade or Occupation	<u>Clerk</u>			
Height	<u>5-</u> feet <u>5-</u> inches		_____ feet _____ inches	_____ feet _____ inches
Weight	<u>123</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.
Chest Measure- ment	Grith when fully expanded ... <u>36</u> inches		_____ inches	_____ inches
	Range of Expansion .. <u>3</u> inches		_____ inches	_____ inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm			
	Number	<u>One Scar</u>		
When Vaccinated	<u>1910</u>			
Vision	R.E.—V=	<u>66</u>	R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V=	<u>66</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>Lamont Peterson</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Major</u>			
	Medical Officer.			Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at <u>St Johns</u> on <u>1st</u> day of <u>March</u> 191 <u>7</u>		at _____ day of _____ 191	at _____
Joined on Enlistment	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
	<u>4/1st Nfld Regt</u>	<u>3498</u>		
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
(Signature)	on _____ day of _____ 191	on _____ day of _____ 191		
(Rank)				







# Department of Militia

## MEMORANDUM

No. 173/3489

From  
**MINISTER OF MILITIA,**  
 ST. JOHN'S,  
 NEWFOUNDLAND

To  
**Chief Staff Officer**  
**Pay & Record Office**  
**Newfoundland Contingent**  
**58 Victoria Street**  
**London S.W.1**

10355

June 14th 1919

SUBJECT:

**No. 3498, L/Cpl. Gordon Thomas**  
**Deceased**

REPLY

Dated 11th August, 1919.

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE

The father of the above noted deceased soldier has requested that we use endeavours to procure a photograph from a film of his son. I should like you to ascertain if there is such a photograph of L/Cpl Thomas in your Office, and if so kindly have same forwarded to this Office for transference to Mr. Thomas

It is extremely difficult to say for certain whether there is a photograph of Pte. Thomas in any of the cinema films at this office. Copies of all films have been sent to Newfoundland and possibly, if Mr. Thomas could see them he would be able to recognise his son, in which case if you inform this office of the particulars, steps might be taken to have a photograph made from the negative of any such film.

I am endeavouring to get a photograph of Pte. Thomas' grave for his father.

Capt.,  
 Asst. Military Secretary,  
 For Chief Staff Officer (London).

*A. E. Heikman*  
 Minister of Militia.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, PAY & RECORD OFFICE.	
Ref. Nos. For	4589
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P.S.	

*Handwritten initials/signature over the form*



349 ~~St~~ Gordon Thomas.

Deceased 16.10.18.

Buried

Perlicethun British Cemetery  
1 mile N of Boulogne  
(Report Wimille 1.5.9)



9535/55/R.&C.

12th July, 9

The D.G.G.R. & E.,  
War Office,  
Winchester House,  
St. James's Square, S.W. 1.

Sir:            3498 Pte. G. Thomas, M.M., deceased,  
The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

The parents of the above-named deceased Soldier, who was buried at Terlincthun British Cemetery, 1 mile North of Boulogne, (Report, Wimille 1.59) have asked for a photograph of his grave.

It would be greatly appreciated if this could be procured, please.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Major,  
Chief Staff Officer (London).

HB/JC

Reference: C.C.M/57/29240.

The Chief Staff Officer,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street,  
S.W.1.

DIRECTOR OF GRAVES AND CONTINGENT  
& RECORDS OFFICE  
No. ....  
Ref. Nos. IN  
25 JUL 1919 4810  
ack'd ..... Ans'd .....  
Ref. Nos. OUT

3498 Private G. Thomas, M.M.,  
The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.  
Date of death 16th October, 1918.

With reference to your 9535/65/B. & C, dated 12th July, 1919, I have to say that a photograph of the grave of the above man will be taken as soon as possible, and a copy sent to you. Owing to numerous applications received there will be some unavoidable delay.

The enclosed pamphlet may be of interest to you in this connection.

Enclosure.  
War Office,  
Winchester House,  
St. James's Square,  
London, S.W.1.

*W. S. L. G. J.*  
Major,  
for Major-General,  
D.G.G.R. & E.

## Department of Militia

## MEMORANDUM

No. 209/3498

From

MINISTER OF MILITIA,  
ST. JOHN'S,  
NEWFOUNDLAND

To

Chief Staff Officer  
Pay & Record Office  
Newfoundland Contingent  
58 Victoria Street  
London S.W

Sept 2nd, 1919

SUBJECT:

3498, L/Cpl. Gordon Thomas

FM/FK.

12683/PLA  
REPLY

Dated

191

19th December 9

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE

With further reference to my 173/3498 of 14/6/19, and your reply No. 10355 of 11/8/19, this soldier appears in the film taken while Mr. Bennett was in France. Part of that film depicts certain members of the Regiment being presented with their military decorations by the then Minister of Militia; and Thomas is noted in the list of names as "Thompson".

Enclosed are minutes of correspondence exchanged with the War Office.

A half dozen prints were obtained from the cutting of the film at a cost of £1:5:0: Relative N.F.P. 62 is enclosed for adjustment. Photograph and cutting of film are also enclosed.

Sergt. Major Gullickson is on the right of the squad of recipients as they face Mr. Bennett, and L/Cpl. Thomas is the 2nd from the left. It will be noted that as the film moves, in several of the pictures there is quite a space between him and the men on either side, which it is thought would facilitate the making of a photograph from the negative. I should be glad to hear further whether it is possible to have this done.

*A. G. C.*  
Lt.-Col.  
Chief Staff Officer (London).

*A. E. Nickman*  
*A. E. H.*  
Minister of Militia.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE.  
Ref. Nos IN 5557  
Rec'd 25 SEP 1919  
Ack'd Ans'd  
Ref. Nos. 001

ACTED UPON

BRANCH	DATE
Comd.	
P & A.	
R & G.	
B & E.	
PS.	

MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE.

(1)

Memorandum from Chief Staff Officer (London), Newfoundland Contingent,  
To:- Major. Harris, Room 273, War Office, London, S.W.1., dated  
October 6th, 1919. No: 11621/259/P&A.

With reference to conversation of the 3rd inst., over the telephone, the following is an extract of the Minister of Militia's letter 3/9/19., relating to 3498 L/Cpl. G. Thomas, Royal Newfoundland Regiment,-

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Reminder from Chief Staff Officer (London), Newfoundland Contingent To Major Harris, Room 273, War Office, London, S.W.1. dated 7/11/19 No. 12151/P&A.

The reply to this office No.11621/259, P&A; 6/10/19, relating to Cinematograph Films not having been received, you are requested to expedite the same, and to state on the reverse when it may be expected.

(3)

Letter from Major. Harris, Room 175, War Office, London, S.W.1. To:- Chief Staff Officer (London), Newfoundland Contingent, 58 Victoria Street, S.W.1. dated 12/11/19. No:ACTB/75.

With reference to your A.F.C.347-1 No.12151/P&A dated 7/11/19 will you please forward copy of your letter No:1162/259 to this office as early as possible. No trace of original letter can be found in this office.

(4)

Letter from Chief Staff Officer (London), Newfoundland Contingent, To The Secretary, War Office, London, S.W.1., dated 19/11/19., No: 12269/281/P&A

With reference to your letter ACTB/75, 12/11/19 (6029): Copy of this office letter 11621/259/P&A, 6/10/19 is enclosed.

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Letter from Chief Staff Officer (London), Newfoundland Contingent,  
To:- Captain. Harris, Room 175, War Office, S.W.1., dated 26/11/19,  
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*Reminded*

October 6th

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Major Harris.

11621/259 P&A

Room 273,

War Office. LONDON S.W.1.

FM/GK

CINEMATOGRAPH FILMS.

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Major  
Chief Staff Officer (London)

12151/P&A

Chief Staff Officer (London).  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street, S.W.

Major Harris,  
Room 273,  
War Office, Whitehall, S.W.1.

7th November 9

this office letter  
No. 11621/259, P&A, 6/10/19, re-  
lating to Cinematograph Films...

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All further communications on this subject should be addressed to -  
The Secretary,  
War Office,  
London, S.W.1.  
and the following number quoted.

Telephone : VICTORIA 9400.

ACTE/75

*Asst. Major Hart*

Room 175,  
WAR OFFICE,  
LONDON, S.W.1.  
12th November. 1919.

Chief Staff Officer (London)  
Newfoundland contingent,  
58, Victoria St, S.W.  
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with reference to your A.F.C.347-1 No 12151/P & A dated 7.11.1919, will you please forward copy of your letter No 1162/259 to this office as early as possible.

No trace of original letter can be found in this office.

*W. Harris*  
O.C., Army Cinematograph Training Branch.

NEWLY ARRIVED	Capt R.F.A.
PAY & RECORDS OFFICE	
of Nos IN	6029
cd'd	12 NOV '19
sk'd	Ans'd
of Nos. OUT	
ACCEDED UPON	
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Com'd	
&	
S. & C	
S. & P	

19th November 19

12269/281/P&A.

The Secretary,  
War Office,  
WHITEHALL, S.W.1.

Sir:-

CINEMATOGRAPH FILMS.

With reference to your letter ACTB/75, 12/11/19  
(6029): Copy of this office letter 11621/259/P&A, 6/10/19  
is enclosed.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

Lt.-Col.  
Chief Staff Officer (London).

FM/FK.

Telephone: Call "WAR OFFICE"  
(No Exchange Number necessary.)

ACB/75.

Room 175,

War Office,  
Whitehall,

S.W. 1.

25th November. 1919.

Chief Staff Officer (London)  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria St. S.W.

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With reference to your letter No. 12269/281/P & A., dated 19th November 1919., I beg to inform you that we have got the film in question, but as it is difficult to identify L/Cpl Thomas, could you please arrange for someone to come here to see the picture on the screen, and select the desired portion.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, PAY & RECORD OFFICE.	
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Rec'd	26 NOV 1919
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ACCEPTED FOR DELIVERY	
BRANCH	BY
Comd	
P & A.	✓
R & C.	
B & E.	✓
P.S.	

*W. H. H. H.* Capt. R.F.A.  
O/C: Army Cinema Branch.



SUSPENSE

CLEARED

*[Handwritten signature]*

26th November 19

12358/283/P&A.

Captain Harris,  
Room 175,  
War Office,  
WHITEHALL. S.W.1.

Dear Sir:-

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and select the portion required.

Yours faithfully,

Lt.-Col.  
Chief Staff Officer (London).

FM/FK.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE,  
Ref. Nos. IN 9719  
Rec'd 13 NOV 1918  
Ack'd \_\_\_\_\_ Ans'd \_\_\_\_\_  
Ref. Nos. OUT \_\_\_\_\_

Nov<sup>th</sup> 10/18  
British Red + Hospital  
Waterlooville  
Hants

Dear Sir:

I have received a parcel belonging to No 3498 pte Gordon Thomas through a mistake; so I have forwarded it to the pay & Record Office to be sent to him; He is in France; Will you please forward it unto him.

and Oblige  
Your Truly.  
pte. G. Thomas #1776

Get sent back again  
15/11/18

M.A.

Inquiry from P.M.G.  
4/5/18  
Ref. no. dated 18/4/18  
4447

Orig. inquiry ret'd. to P.M.G.  
4/6/18 J.D.D. (Ref. no.)

From: Chief Paymaster & O. i/c Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W. 1.

To: Officer Commanding,  
2nd Bn. Royal Newfoundland Regt.,  
Hazeley Down Camp, Winchester.

No. 8218/706/P.S.  
Date: 24/5/18.

3498 PTE. G. THOMAS.

Reference Minute I (reverse): this parcel was  
received here 22/3/18 and forwarded to your Office same  
date. Will you please say if it was duly delivered?

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

7 HA/JC

(over)

July 9. 51. After arrival.

July 9. 51. After arrival.

Reply

This man proceeded overseas  
27/5/18 and as far as is known  
here this man received all mail  
belonging to him before leaving here.

Sgt. C. Kern. Capt.

28/5/18

In ref. 4828

3496 PTE. THOMAS. G.

M.M.

For conspicuous gallantry. He volunteered to reconnoitre forward positions after a heavy bombardment, which was supposed to be occupied by the Enemy.

He showed great devotion to duty during the whole of the operations from 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> April 1916.

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M.M.







# Medical Report on an Invalid.

NOTES:—

- (a) This report is solely concerned with Pensions.
- (b) A single copy only is required.
- (c) "Aggravated" being now a technical term, carrying right to pension, discrimination in its use is essential.
- (d) Be as brief as possible compatible with lucidity.
- (e) Avoid dubiety—"perhaps" "possibly" "might" and the like.
- (f) Only sufficient clinical data need be given to establish the degree of disability and assist the Board in arriving at a decision.

### Statement of Case

Station ..... *St. Johns* .....

Date ..... *Aug 6<sup>th</sup> /17* .....

- 1. Unit *1st. Newfoundland*
- 2. Regimental No. *3495*
- 3. Rank. *L/cpl.*
- 4. Name. *Thomas Gordon*
- 5. Age last birthday. *18*
- 6. Enlisted on *Feb 1<sup>st</sup> /17*
- 7. Former trade or occupation *Clerk.*

8. Disability

*Syncope attacks.*

9. History *about one month ago he became weak and fainted on parade. says that he never faints before. since then has had several weak spells.*

10. What is his present condition?

(This is the important question. Be brief—the clearer the case the less need be written. Read note f above.)

Complaint of being weak at times, after one of his spells his heart sounds every week and heart is irregular. His pulse is a bit slow at present time. Heart sounds a bit weak.

11. Was sanatorium operation advised and refused?

12. Do you recommend discharge as permanently unfit?

Signature D. W. Gordon  
Rank or Qualification MD.

Remarks if any by Officer i/c Hospital.

Place ..... Signature .....  
Date ..... Rank .....

# Opinion of the Medical Board.

In para. 13, the President should write "may" or "cannot" at x  
Erase inapplicable words.

13. For pension purposes, the disability x *may* be considered as aggravated by:—  
due to—
- (a) Service during this war.
  - (b) ~~Climate~~
  - (c) ~~Ordinary Military Service~~

Remarks if any:— *Heads action shows slight arrhythmic increase on exertion, no valvular lesion*

14. At present his capacity for earning a full livelihood in the general labor market is lessened by:—  
(Here the president should write in Total, 4-5, 3-5, 2-5, 1-5).

Remarks if any:—

15. Is the disability permanent?

*W*

16. Has the disability been aggravated by

- (a) Intemperance.
- (b) Misconduct.

*W*

17. The refusal of operation sanatorium is:—

- (a) Reasonable.
- (b) Unreasonable.

*✓*

Remarks if any:—

18. We recommend discharge from retention in the Army

*1 month furlough*

Remarks if any:—

Signatures.

*H. L. Fraser* ..... President  
*W. J. Dunlop, D.M.S.* .....  
*J. J. Donohoe, D.M.S.* .....

Place

Date

*S. J. Jones* .....  
*Aug. 9 1917* .....

APPROVED

Station

Date



*Clay Macpherson*  
Administrative Medical Officer. *Major*



## Descriptive Return of a Soldier Discharged on Account of Disability

INSTRUCTIONS—This form is to be completed in the case of every discharged soldier whose claim to pension on account of disability, is to be submitted for the consideration of the Pensions and Disabilities Board.

This section should be completed in the Hospital at which a man is attending at the time of his examination by a Medical Board, or, if the man is not in Hospital, by the Medical Officer of the Unit or Command Depot. The Soldier should be given a full opportunity of examining it, as, if awarded a pension, his subsequent identification depends on his confirming this declaration. The "Rank," "Station," and "Date" should be in his own handwriting.

The form will then be attached to the Proceedings of the man's Medical Board and will be forwarded to the O. i/c Records together with the remainder of the man's documents.

Changes occurring in the description subsequent to the date of admission to pension should be noted in red ink.

Name in full *Thomas Gordon*

Regiment from which discharged *1st. Newfoundland*

Regimental number *3498*

Intended address *8 Barnes Road*

Height on discharge *5* Feet *5 3/4*

Color of hair on discharge *Dark Brown*

Complexion *Fair*

Color of eyes *Grey*

Figure on discharge

Christian name of Father *Henry James*

Christian name of Mother *Jemima*

Wife's maiden name in full

Date and place of marriage

Christian names of children

Place and date of soldier's birth. *St Johns. 5<sup>th</sup> Jan: 1899.*

Nature and locality of civil employment required

I declare that I am the soldier referred to above and that all the particulars contained in the above statement are, to the best of my knowledge, correct

(Soldier's signature in full) *Gordon Thomas*

Station *St. John's*

Date

*August 6<sup>th</sup> 17*

(Rank)

*Lt. Col.*

I certify that the above named soldier signed the foregoing declaration in my presence, and that the above description and details are, to the best of my knowledge correct.

*T. W. Burden*

Medical Officer i/c Hospital,  
Unit, or Command Depot.

Station

*St Johns*

Date

*6/8/17*





Thomas G.

3498

Ray Dept



PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps **ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.**

No. 3498

Rank Pte

Name Thomas G.

Died<sup>(a)</sup> Intestate at France

on the 16th of October 1918.

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 16/10/18 .....	9	9	9
	<i>Cash issues</i> (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to .....			
	£ s. d.				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to .....			
	191				Messing allowance days at from to .....			
	"				Kit allowance .....			
	"							
	"							
	Consolidated stoppage .....							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	9	9	9	Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
		£ 9	9	9		£ 9	9	9

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.L.J.  
5 JUN 1919

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, *and that the debtor balance of £ 9 9 9 is correctly chargeable against the Public Account.*

VICTORIA  
LONDON  
5 JUN 1919  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
*Thomas G. ...*

Dated at this day of 191 . CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE 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.

ORIGINAL

Army Form O. 1425.

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Sept. 28th/20

Mr. Henry J. Thomas,  
8 Barnes Road,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find application for pension which kindly have completed with regard to 3498 Gordon Thomas, deceased.

It is necessary to have this form completed in every detail and signed before a Magistrate or Justice of the Peace and return to this office together with a certified copy of your Marriage certificate and the Birth certificate of the deceased.

It is important that this form should be completed at an early date, so that the Board of Pension Commissioners may be in a position to dispose of your case.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

LBD.







July 21, 1919

Mr. Henry J. Thomas,  
8, Barnes Road,  
City.



Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith cheque  
for \$53.67, balance of estate of late Pte.  
H.G. Thomas, due you as Administrator of his  
estate.

I am also enclosing here-  
with Letters of Administration of the above  
estate.

Yours truly,

Capt.  
Paymaster.



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.  
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 53<sup>67</sup>/<sub>xx</sub>

July 7 1919

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment  
the sum of Fifty Three <sup>67</sup>/<sub>xx</sub> Dollars.

on account  
balance of Pay. Estab

Ch. No. 2467	Initials. Ew
Pay Ledger 191	Initials. Ew
Gen. Ledger.....	Initials.....

Regtl. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Bank \_\_\_\_\_

F. C. J.

No. 3498 Rank Pt

Name G. Thomas

J. Barnes

**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

Rank *Alie* Surname *Thomson* Christian Name *Royal*  
 Religion *Meth* Age on Enlistment *18* years *—* months  
 Enlisted (a) *1. 2. 3. 1. 7.* Terms of Service (a) *duration* Service reckons from (a) *1. 2. 3. 1. 7.*  
 Date of promotion to present rank ..... Date of appointment to lance rank .....  
 Extended { ..... } Re-engaged { ..... } Qualification (b) .....  
 or Corps Trade and Rate .....  
 Occupation *C cook* *67 G. and 2nd* Signature of Officer.

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 ... <i>27 MAR 1918</i>		
			Disembarked... <i>29 MAR 1918</i>		Joined Battalion <i>44. 14</i>
	<i>Wounded in Action</i>	<i>13-4-18 6113 1/4/18</i>			
	<i>77 Ja</i>	<i>ad Gsw Head trans</i>	<i>64 CES</i>	<i>13/4/18</i>	<i>A 36 13/4/18</i>
	<i>10 Jan 1918</i>	<i>Jan 1918</i>		<i>15-6-18</i>	<i>HA 22.29</i>
	<i>21 JMS</i>	<i>James Base Depot</i>	<i>Kaewen</i>	<i>10/4/18</i>	<i>Rail</i>
		<i>Rejoined unit</i>	<i>25-4-18</i>		
	<i>13 Jan 1918</i>	<i>ad Gsw Head (general)</i>		<i>16/10/18</i>	<i>ka soup</i>
<i>10/10/18</i>	<i>13 (War USA) Genl</i>	<i>Wp. died of wounds.</i>		<i>16/10/18</i>	<i>W3034</i>
		<i>(Gsw Head)</i>			

*for O 1/c No 1 Infantry Section,*

(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.

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.

August 20<sup>th</sup> 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of  
the late No. 3498 Rank

Name Gordon Thomas

Royal Newfoundland Regt.  
Henry Thomas (Sgd.)

Father Relationship.

Address 8 Barnes' Road

**FIELD SERVICE.**

**C.R. 3498**  
Army Form B. 2090A.

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

REGIMENT } Royal Newfoundland. Squadron, Troop, }  
OR CORPS } Battery or Company } \_\_\_\_\_

Regimental No. 3496, Rank Private

Surname Thomas. Christian Names G.

Died { Date 16-10-18. Place France

Cause of Death\* Died of wounds received in action.

Nature and Date of Report W 3034, d/16-10-18.

By whom made O.C., 13 (Hav. U.S.A.) Gen. Hptl.

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

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

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

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

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

Station and Date } 21 OCT 1918

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

*Thomas G.*  
O 1/c No. 1 Infantry Section,

3rd Echelon, G, H, Q, B, E, F.



# Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

Army Form B. 121.

Forms  
B. 121.  
393.

Regiment of 1<sup>st</sup> Newfoundland.

Number of Sheet First  
Signature of O. C. Company Frank Ayer Capt.

Regimental Number and Name		Enlistment		Trade	Good Conduct Badges, Service pay or proficiency pay
No.	<u>3498 Thomas Gordon</u>	Age on	18 years - months		<u>Promoted Lance Corp 27 1-17</u>
Joined	Date	Place and Date of Enlistment	<u>St. John's Nfld.</u>	Religion	
Joined	Date	Period of { with Colours <u>230</u> years. with Reserve <u>365</u> years.		Place of Birth	
Joined	Date				

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS
<u>St. John's</u>	<u>14-3-17</u>	<u>Pte</u>		<u>Neglect of duty while on guard, allowing a prisoner to escape</u>	<u>Corp Edens</u>	<u>96 hours Detention.</u>	<u>15-3-17</u>	<u>G. T. Coarty Major.</u>	<u>Red.</u>
<u>M. P. School Camp</u>	<u>24/12/17</u>	<u>Lt Col</u>		<u>Neglect of duty while commanded of Guard</u>	<u>Sgt. Morring</u>	<u>Deprived of stripes</u>	<u>27/12/17</u>	<u>Capt. C. Kern Adj.</u>	<u>Red</u>
<u>Hayley Down Camp</u>	<u>1/2/18</u>	<u>Pte.</u>		<u>leaving Parade without permission</u>	<u>Sgt. Calagay</u>	<u>3 days CB</u>	<u>2/2/18</u>	<u>Lieut. S. Emerson</u>	<u>Red</u>
<u>Hayley Down Camp</u>	<u>21-2-18</u>	<u>Pte.</u>		<u>1. Hesitating to obey an order. 2. Inattention on Parade.</u>	<u>Capt. Lyne</u>	<u>4 days CB.</u>	<u>22-2-18</u>	<u>Lt. Emerson.</u>	<u>Red</u>
<u>Deed of Honour 16/18</u>									

To be carried over

Army Form B. 121.

CR. 3498

Dec..31st, 1919

Mr. Harry Thomas *S. Bennett Rd*  
~~Henketown Road~~  
City

Dear Sir:- 3498, L/Cpl. Gordon Thomas

With further reference to your request for photograph of the above mentioned soldier, our London Office has now succeeded in having extract taken from the film showing this soldier on parade at the time when Mr. Bennett, was making presentation of war decorations. I am forwarding herewith one copy of the enlargement together with a piece of the film. You can readily understand that it will be very difficult to get a clearer enlargement of such a small negative. I have five further copies similar to the one now enclosed and if you will care to have these I should be pleased to forward them to you for the cost of production, £1:5/- which has been paid by our London Office.

Yours faithfully

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

8 Barnes' Road

FEB 27 1920

W. F. Rendell <sup>Capt.</sup> C.R. 3498

Lieut.-Col.

Chief Staff Officer

Dear Sir

We are in receipt of  
the Memorial Scroll  
& the copy of the message  
from His Majesty's Majesty  
the King by mail several  
days ago.

Yours very truly

Henry J. Thomas

3498

August 23rd 1920.

Mr. H.J. Thomas,  
8 Barnes Road,  
City.

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding herewith two copies of the photograph of the Grave of No. 5498 Pte. G.Thomas, M.M., which has been received by this Department from the Director of Graves Registration and Enquiries. I should be glad if you will acknowledge receipt.

The cross shown in this photograph is the temporary one which will be replaced by a permanent stone cross bearing the name, rank and Regiment of the soldier and whatever text or inscription chosen by the next of kin.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.Col.  
Chief Staff Officer.

TELEPHONE:  
TREASURY 34.

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

## Memorandum.

No. 301

FROM

**C.R. 3496**  
**D. G. R. & E.,**  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W. 1.

9th August 1920

To

Chief Staff Officer,  
Department of Militia,  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.

SUBJECT:—

PHOTOGRAPHS (Grave Site)

Reference Nos. \_\_\_\_\_

REPLY.

Dated August 23rd 1920

(Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE).

I enclose 2 copies of a photograph of the gravesite of Private G. Thomas, M.M., reference number CCM/57/29240. Please ~~xx~~ forward same to next-of-kin and acknowledge on the obverse.

*S. Langh* Major,  
D.G.R. & E.  
(Newfoundland Contingent)

Acknowledged with thanks,  
and photograph has been for-  
warded to the next of kin.

Lieut. Col.  
Chief Staff Office