



# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 2832 Name Alce J. White Corps

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

1. What is your name? Alce J. White
2. What is your full Address? St. John's, Nfld.
3. Are you a British Subject? Yes
4. What is your age? 28 Years 8 Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? Printer
6. Are you Married? No
7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,\* which? No
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? Yes
9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? Yes
10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you?.... } 10. { Name .....  
Corps .....
11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? ..... } II. Yes

FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR

I, Alce J. White 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.

Alce J. White SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

E. J. White Signature of Witness.

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

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

### CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

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

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

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at St. John's on this 1st day of June 1916

Signature of Attesting Officer Chas. H. Rye Capt

### †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 1st

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).....







# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT ON ENLISTMENT

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

Name Acc. J. White  
 Apparent age 27 years 8 months. Height 5 feet 5 inches  
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 36 inches  
 Range of expansion 1 1/2 inches  
 Distinctive marks.....

## INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin William White, White, D. Clayton  
Aug. | Relationship brother

### Particulars as to Marriage

(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow.		(b) Place and date of marriage.	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)

### Particulars as to Children

Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth

## STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES

Corps in which served	Rgt. or Depot	Promotion, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank	Dates	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing the rate of pension		Service in Reserve not allowed to reckon towards G. C. Pay		Signature of Officers certifying correctness of entries
					Years	Days	Years	Days	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from <u>1-6-16</u>									
Joined at <u>St John's</u> on <u>June 1<sup>st</sup> 16</u>									
<u>Embarked for France</u>									
<u>Embarked St John's Station for No 28<sup>th</sup></u>									<u>Embarked for B.C. 30<sup>th</sup></u>
<u>Disembarked France 1-12-16</u>									<u>Admitted 18<sup>th</sup></u>
<u>C.M.S. I.C.T. Regt 8<sup>th</sup> Coy</u>									
<u>Discharged to duty with unit 2-5-17</u>									<u>joined unit in the field 15-17</u>
<u>Died of Wounds</u>									
<u>21-11-17</u>									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									
Total Service towards Engagement to <u>21-11-17</u> [date of discharge]									
" " " Pension " " " " " " " " " " " "									





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

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

Examination of *Alex. J. White*

aged *26* conducted at *Ches*

Date: *Apr 10/16* Recruiting Officer:

NO OF TEST FINDING

- 1 *b.*
- 2 *d.*
- 3 *L.*
- 4 *a.*
- 5 *b.*
- 6 *b.*
- 7 *r/s*
- 8 *l/s*
- 9 *as*
- 10 *h*
- 11 *h*
- 12 *h*
- 13 *2 Roofs to come out*
- 14 *h*
- 15 *h*
- 16 *h*
- 17 *h*
- 18 *h*
- 19 *6/18 Both*
- 20 *h*
- 21 *h*
- 22 *h*
- 23 *h*
- 24 *h*
- 25 *h*
- 26 *h*
- 27 *h*
- 28 *h*
- 29 *h*
- 30 *h*
- 31 *h*
- 32 *h*

*June 1st*  
*Report*

*832*

*7 Years - left arm - 15 yrs*  
*5'5"*  
*120 1/2*  
*6500 mch. 33 1/2 lb*  
*Dark*

*Mrs W. Walk, 406 Wickers Sidley Eng. Sussex*

Signature of Medical Examiner: *William Robert R.*

*fil*

DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY.

Posted. 6 DEC 1918



20582/655/P.A.A.

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

PM/MN. 12th. December, 8.

C.R. 2832

2832.PTE.ALEX.J.WHITE(DECEASED)  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

With reference to the following letter from Thos.W.Collingwood c/o Baine,Johnston & Co, St.John's, 7/12/18 (10399):

"Previous to embarking for Overseas Pte.White asked me to look after his financial affairs,but left no instructions in the event of anything happening to him. Unfortunately poor White was killed in action in France some time in November 1917. I have on hand a little over \$200 belonging to his Estate. I have written to his sister a Mrs.W.A.Wickens of Sidley, Sussex regarding the matter, but so far without result. I understand before going into action each man has to fill up a form of Will. If this is so, perhaps you have some record that would guide me in disposing of his affairs. You would do me a great favour if your would kindly let me know."

The deceased Soldier's estate has been handed over to the Secretary of the War Office for disposal, but so far no advice has reached this Office regarding what has taken place.

Mrs.Wickens in a letter to this Office mentioned the fact that there was a sum of money in trust in Newfoundland and a copy of her letter was included in the documents forwarded to the War Office.

As far as is known in this Office White left no Will.

Particulars of kin as revealed in letters to this Office received subsequent to his decease are as

*not used*

follows,-

William.W.White, (Father)  
16, Duncan Road, Ramsgate.

Mrs.M.J.Wickens, (Sister)  
c/o Messrs.C.Wickens & Sons,  
Sidley, Sussex.

Miss.E.N.White, (Sister)  
Post Office,  
Sidley, Sussex.

It has also been stated by Miss.  
E.M.Dobnaborough, 16 Marina, St.Leonards-  
on-Sea, deceased's fiancée, that she  
is in possession of certain of his effects  
which she is anxious to dispose of in  
accordance with his wishes.

The Secretary, War Office, is again  
being communicated with, with a view to  
ascertaining whether the estate has been  
distributed, and advice will be forwarded  
to you in due course.

It is understood that you will reply  
to Mr. Collingwood's letter and advise him  
as customary what action has been taken.  
Meanwhile the within is for your information  
please.

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



Cables and Telegrams :  
"SYNOPTICAL" London.

Telephone :  
VICTORIA 4923 & 4.

Communications to be addressed to the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/O. KEESBEE.

ENCLOSURE

N. F. P/39A  
DUPLICATE.

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

## MEMORANDUM.

No. 5925/234/P&A

C.F. 2832

From  
**PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,**  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

To  
The Hon. The Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
NEWFOUNDLAND.

FM/PK. 14th April 1920

**SUBJECT :**

2832 PTE. A.J. WHITE, DECEASED.  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.  
Reference Nos.

**REPLY**

Dated Feb. 20th, 1920 191

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE.

With reference to this Office No. 20552/655/P&A (12/12/18) during a conversation between Mr. Collingwood and Major Timewell the former stated that he had not yet received a reply to his letter of 7/11/18 to this office. It is presumed that you were awaiting the result of this office enquiry to the War Office before writing him.

Noted, please.

See reply to your No. 20552/655/P&A.

The following War Office letter C.E/689188/1 Accts. 4. Misc. Section 7/4/19 is quoted:-

Lt. Col.,  
C.S.O.  
for Minister of Militia.

"With reference to your letter of the 12th December last No. 21029/420/P&A, relative to the estate of the late No. 2832, Pte. Alexander Jabes White, Royal Newfoundland Regt., I am directed to inform you that no Will executed by the late soldier having been received in or traced by this Office, and as this Department was informed that Letters of Administration to the estate had not been and were not intended to be obtained either in the United Kingdom or in Newfoundland, the amount due to the estate from Army Funds has been issued by the Department in accordance with the Law of Intestacy, viz: to his father, Mr. William Walter White, 15, Duncan Road, Ramsgate. The sum referred to by you should be administered in Newfoundland.

Copy of this office No. 21029/420/P&A, 12/12/18 to the Secretary, War Office, is enclosed for your information. Presumably the money now held in trust by Mr.

RECEIVED  
BARRON

REVENUE AND CONTINENT  
Collingwood can be dealt with, please.

Capt.

Asst. Chief Paymaster.  
For Chief Paymaster & O.i/c.Recds.

REVENUE AND CONTINENT  
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COPY

12th December 1918

21020/420/P&A

The Secretary,  
War Office, Effects Branch,  
Imperial Institute,  
South Kensington, S.W.7.

Sir,

2832 PTE. A.J.WHITE. (DECEASED).  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

With reference to this Office letter No. 16091/320/P&A,  
7/10/18: I have the honour to quote the following letter from  
Thos.W.Collingwood, St.John's, Newfoundland, regarding funds held  
in trust for the deceased, and to ask whether such will be dealt  
with by you as part of the estate, or should it be administered in  
Newfoundland separately. If the latter, the manner of disposal  
of the deceased's estate in this Country may be of some assistance  
to the Minister of Militia, in Newfoundland in distributing the  
funds referred to.

"

Allandale Road,  
St. John's, Nfld,  
Nov 7th/18.

"

"

"To:- Major H.A.Timewell.

"

"

2832 Pte. Alex.J.White.

"

Previous to embarking for Overseas Pte. White asked me to  
"look after his financial affairs, but left no instructions in  
"the event of anything happening to him. Unfortunately poor  
"White was killed in action in France sometime in November 1917.  
I have on hand a little over £200 belonging to his estate.  
"I have written to his sister a Mrs.W.A.Wickens of Sidley,  
"Sussex regarding the matter, but so far without result.  
"I understand before going into action each man has to fill up  
a form of Will. If this is so, perhaps you have some record  
"that would guide me in disposing of his affairs. You would  
"do me a great favour if you would kindly let me know.

(Signed) Thos.W.Collingwood.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Major.

Chief Paymaster & O. i/c. Radas



RECEIVED from T.W.Collingwood the sum of Two hundred and  
Twenty-nine Dollars and Twenty-six Cents (\$229.26) being  
the amount of funds held by him in trust for the estate  
late Pte.A.J.White, No.2832, Royal Newfoundland Regiment.  
This amount to be transferred to London, to be surrendered to the  
Executor of Pte.white's estate.

sig \_\_\_\_\_

February 11, 1920.

C.R. 2832

Extractv from Nominal Roll of 821d. Regt. Draft No.14  
from 2nd Bn. Depot, to 1st Bn. B.E.F. Embarked South-  
ampton, 30-11-16.

2832 Pte. A.J. White.

CR. 2832

RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.

ONE COTTON BAG CONTAINING EFFECTS OF THE LATE  
NO. 2832 PTE. A. J. WHITE.

SIGNED. *Edith H. White*

DATE. *12-3-19.*



Extract from Registered Receipt dated Feb<sup>y</sup> 17th., 1919.

One Package No. R. 1587 W. W. White,

Sibley, Sussex, England.

C.R. 2832

Feb. 14th 19.

W.W.White Esq.,  
Sidley, Sussex,  
England.

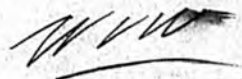
Dear Mr.White:

It is my regrettable duty to have to forward to you one cotton bag containing effects which belonged to your late son No.2832 Pte.A.J.White, of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Herewith enclosed you will find receipt, kindly sign and return same at your earliest convenience.

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

Yours sincerely,




Lieut.

Casualty Officer.



No. of Paper 1022**PERSONAL EFFECTS.**

Name White, A. J. **C.R.** No. 2832  
 Rank Private Regiment ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Article	Where stored	Notified by
1 cotton bag containing:— Letters; Photos; Cards; Note Book; Purse; Whistle; Match box cover; Fountain Pen; Keys; Badge; Siccors in Case; Pencil; 1 Receipt; Cig. case.	  Final disposal	Shipped to Newfoundland.

Remarks:— Died of Wounds, 21/11/17.  
 Next of Kin:— Father:— William W. White,  
15 Duncan Rd,  
Ramsgate, Eng.



To District Officer Commanding  
Newfoundland

~~C.R.~~ 2832

Passed to you, please. This has been sent to  
these Headquarters evidently in error.

R.H. Lant Capt.

July 10<sup>th</sup> 1918

acting O. C. Depot.

C.S. 6 Passed to you  
O. of Casualties - Passed W.F. Hendry



James M. M. M.



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ST. JOHN'S April 3rd. 1918.  
NEWFOUNDLAND

Mr. William Walter White,  
Stdney, Sussex,  
England.

Sir:-

The following description of Grave Site,  
has been received from the Pay & Record Office,  
London, of:-

"#2832 Pte.A.J.White,(Report  
"Manancourt 3.34) Place of  
"Grave Rocquigny Road British  
Cemetery, 5½ miles West of  
Gouzeaucourt. Reported by  
Graves Registration Units."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

*W. F. Rendell*

Major Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 2832

April 3rd. B.

Mr. William Walter White,  
Egdney, Sussex,  
England.

Sir:-

The following description of Grave Site,  
has been received from the Pay & Record Office,  
London, of:-

"#2832 Pte. A.J. White, (Report  
"Manencourt S. 24) Place of  
"Grave Rocquigny Road British  
Cemetery, 5½ miles West of  
Gouzeaucourt. Reported by  
Graves Registration Units."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

*W. J. Readell*

Major Chief Staff Officer.



C.R. 2832

† 2832 Pte. Alex. J. White. ....

Extract of Casualty list received November 28th, 1917.  
Died of Wounds 21st Casualty Clearing Station, France  
November 21st.

C.R. 2832

Extract from Nominal Roll Embarked St. John's for Overseas,  
28/8/16.

2832 Pte. A.J. White.

C.N. 2832

Alec J. White was attested for General service  
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on ..June 1st 1916..  
Regimental No 2832 was allotted to Pte. A.J. White.

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.



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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname White Christian Name Alec James

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

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

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined .....	on <u>10<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u> 19 <u>16</u>		on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	
	at <u>St. John's Hosp.</u>		at _____	
Entered Age.....	<u>27</u> years <u>8</u> days		_____ years _____ days	
Trade or Occupation .....	<u>Draper</u>		_____	
Height .....	<u>5</u> feet <u>5</u> inches	_____ feet _____ inches	_____ feet _____ inches	_____ feet _____ inches
Weight .....	<u>120½</u> lbs.		_____ lbs.	
Chest Measurement {	Girth when fully expanded... <u>36</u> inches		_____ inches	
	Range of expansion... <u>2½</u> inches		_____ inches	
Physical Development... ..	_____		_____	
Vaccination Marks {	Arm .....	_____	_____	_____
	Number....	<u>2 scars.</u>		_____
When Vaccinated ... ..	<u>15 years ago.</u>		_____	
Vision .....	R.E.—V= <u>418</u>		R.E.—V= _____	
	L.E.—V= <u>618</u>		L.E.—V= _____	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(a) _____		(a) _____	
	(b) _____		(b) _____	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to Cause Rejection		_____		
Approved by (Signature)	<u>Lammie Paterson</u>		_____	
(Rank)	<u>Major</u>		_____	
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.	
Enlisted .....	at <u>St. John's</u>		at _____	
	on <u>12<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u> 19 <u>16</u>		on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	
	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Joined on Enlistment... ..	<u>10<sup>th</sup> Regt.</u>	<u>2937</u>	_____	_____
Transferred to .. ..	_____		_____	
Became non-effective by .. ..	_____		_____	
	on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>		on _____ day of _____ 19 <u>1</u>	
(Signature)	_____		_____	
(Rank)	_____		_____	







DEC 6 1916

No. 4018

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

ALLOTMENTS

I, Alexander J. White Reptl No. 2832

hereby agree until further notification by me, and in similar official form, to make an allotment of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars and eighty cents per diem, from my pay, to and for the benefit of the undermentioned Person and Persons, such payment to be made on proof of identity of, and production of the relative Identity Certificates by the Person and Persons concerned, viz:-

Commences Saturday Nov. 25-1916.

Identity Certifi. No.	Whether Wife, Child, other Relative, or Friend.	NAME (In full)	ADDRESS	AMOUNT (each person)
	<u>Friend</u>	<u>Miss Edith May Downsborough.</u>	<u>16 Marina, Shearwater Sea, Sussex.</u>	<u>80 cents.</u>

Note:- This form must be completed by the Officer-Commanding Company, signed by the volunteer, countersigned by the Officer Commanding Company and handed to the Paymaster as authority to make the required payments on application.

(Sig.) Robert Smith  
Officer Commanding  
1<sup>st</sup> Company.

(Sig.) A. J. White

Nov. 25. 1916.

Newton-on-Ayre 191

NOTED  
A. M. M. M.  
C. Q. M. S.  
Date 27/11/16 C. O. y

(Rank)  
A. Markin  
Date 6/12/16

Private

**FIELD SERVICE.**

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. 218 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

**ORIGINAL.**

REGIMENT OR CORPS } "1st Newfoundland Regt." Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company } \_\_\_\_\_



Regimental No. 2832, Rank Private.

Surname White. Christian Names A.J.

Date 21/11/17. Place France.

Died { Cause of Death\* Died of Wounds received in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Extract 21.C.C.S.23/11/17. (N/17054/2). A.A.

By whom made O.C.21.C.C.S.

\* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, 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 Not received.

**DUPLICATE**

COPIES SENT TO  
 O.C. HQ  
 ST. JOHNS, N.F.L.D.  
 NEPSS IND  
 21 DEC 1917

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 } G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon. 20/11/17. Signature of Officer in charge of Section } 2nd Lt. for Major,  
 Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } Officer i/c No.1 Infantry Section.







**PAY LIST.**

to

191 . Voucher No.

**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps **Royal Newfoundland Regts.**

No. **2332** Rank **Rts.** Name **White, A. J.**

Died (a) **Intestate** at **France** on the **31** of **November** 191 **2**

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 .....	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
		£	s.	d.	Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	101				Messing allowance days at _____ from _____ to _____			
	"				Kit allowance .....			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2 .....			
	Consolidated stoppage .....							
	Balance due by the Paymaster				Balance due to the Paymaster .....			
				<b>8 14 10</b>				
		£		<b>8 14 10</b>		£	<b>8</b>	<b>14 10</b>

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to **24/9/18** and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

CHECKED.

*40*  
*24/9/18*

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

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

this \_\_\_\_\_

day of \_\_\_\_\_



191 \_\_\_\_\_

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS  
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 Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.
- (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

A. G. W. P. T. Reg. No 2832

2832

A. Leonard  
NOTED  
W. Martin.  
A. G. W.

5537/1

Dear Sir.

Enclosed please find <sup>28/12/16</sup> receipt

receipt for the amt. of £4.12.1.

A mistake has been made in my name, my surname has been omitted, so have rectified in receipt, kindly correct same in your books.

Yours truly,

The Paymaster,

S. M. Downborough.

Newfoundland Contingent



"A" Form.  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C.2121  
(in pads of 100).  
No. of Message .....

Prefix .....	Code .....	m.	Words	Charge	This message is on a/o of:	Recd. at .....	m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent		.....	Date .....	
.....			At .....		.....	From .....	
.....			To .....		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	By .....	
.....			By .....				

(COPY)

TO	WILLIAM	W	WHITE	
		SIDELY	SUSSEX	

Sender's Number. * ---	Day of Month. 28/11/17	In reply to Number.	A A A
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DEEPLY	REGRET	INFORM	YOU	2832
PRIVATE	A .	J	<u>WHITE</u>	NEWFOUNDLAND
REGIMENT	DIED	OF	WOUNDS	AT
21st	CASUALTY	CLEARING	STATION	FRANCE
NOVEMBER	21st			SYNOPTICAL

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Copy

From			
Place			
Time			

The above may be forwarded as now corrected.	(Z)	
Censor.		Signature of Addressor or person authorised to telegraph in his name.



29th November, 7

13080/1./R.&O.

William W. White, Esq.,  
Sidely,  
Sussex.

*Keep Message sent*

Sir, No. 2832, Pte. A. J. White.

It is my painful duty to inform you that a report has been received from the Officer Commanding, 21st Casualty Clearing Station, France, notifying the fatality which has overtaken No. 2832, Pte. A. J. White, which has been conveyed to you by telegram in accordance with custom, and I am to express the deep sympathy and regret of the Newfoundland Government at your irreparable loss.

If articles or personal property of the late Private White are found they will be forwarded to this Office, but some time may probably elapse before their receipt, and will naturally be subject to customary formalities concerning effects.

Application regarding the disposal of personal effects, or of any amount that may eventually be found due to the late Soldier's Estate, should be addressed to this Office.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Major,

HA/JO

Chief Paymaster & Officer i/c Records.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F.

3 Dec. 1917

~~28/17~~  
Re. 2832  
White.

WITH THE

PRIVATE SECRETARY'S

COMPLIMENTS.

Please forward.

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Letter forwarded to  
Mr. William W. White  
Sidely  
Sussex.  
28/17  
same day as recd  
H.S.S.



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

✓  
14th, January . . . . . A .

Miss E. N. White,  
Post Office,  
Sidley, Sussex..

2832, PTE. A. J. WHITE, DECEASED,  
1st. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.,  
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✓ With reference to your letter of the 10/1/18  
(584): No effects belonging to the above deceased  
Soldier have been received.

Inquiries are being instituted and the result  
of same will be transmitted to you when received,  
please.

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

. B/F.



No 13080/1/R & Co.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT, PAY & DEPOSIT OFFICE.	
NO.	584
DATE	11 JAN 1918
REF. NOS.	1489/2.
770/1	14/1/18
763/1	14/1/18

Post Office  
Sidley  
Sussex  
10-1-18

Dr Sir

28/1/18 7911

May I trouble you to let me know whether anything belonging to my brother, who died of wounds Nov 21<sup>st</sup> has yet come to hand. His name & no: was 2832. A. J. White

1<sup>st</sup> Newfoundland Regt.

He had one or two things on him, such as cigarette case, letter case etc which are greatly desired as keepsakes by his fiancée & brother & sisters; & trust that these things have not been lost. May I also trouble you to inform me whether my brother made a will & if so, to whom did he leave his effects.

I should esteem it a great favour, if you could give me the desired information, as "Hope deferred, maketh the heart grow sick." I wrote to the Casualty Clearing Station, for a few particulars as to how he died, but have had no reply so please reply to this if at all possible  
Yours faithfully,  
Edith M. White

770/1/B&E

(2004) Wt. W672, M2885. 10,000,000. 9/17. G. & Co.

Forms  
G. 348

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1ST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT  
PAY & RECORD OFFICE  
Army Form G. 648

Ref. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Recd. 9 FEB 1918  
 Ans'd. \_\_\_\_\_  
 File No. \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMORANDUM.**  
 PAYMASTER & OFFICER I/C RECORDS  
 NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
 From 38, VICTORIA STREET,  
 LONDON, S.W. 1.  
 ENGLAND.

To Officer Commanding,  
 21st Clearing Station

From 602000  
 To C/o Records  
Newfoundland Contingent  
**ANSWER.**

BRANCH  
 B. E. P.  
 ACTED UPON

Pay & Record Office,  
 BY \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE 14th January 1918

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21st January 1918

With reference to the following letter received from Miss Edith N. White, dated 10/1/18 (384).

"May I trouble you to let me know whether anything belonging to my brother who died of wounds NOV. 21st has yet come to hand His name and No. was 2832, A. J. White, 1st Newfoundland Regt. He had one or two things on him such as Cigarette case, letter case etc. which are greatly desired as keepsakes by his Fiance, and brothers and sisters, and trust that these things have not been lost. May I also trouble you to inform me whether my Brother made a will, and if so to whom did he leave his effects. I should esteem it a great favour if you could give me the desired information, as "Hope deferred maketh the Heart grow sick". I wrote to the Casualty Clearing

*A letter was sent to a Mrs WICKINS sister of the deceased on the 12th January giving all possible particulars. His effects were forwarded to the Base on the 22.11.17 and will be delivered to the next of kin in the usual way. The effects forwarded from here were as follows.  
 cigarette case in wash leather cover  
 jack knife  
 saleto box cover!*



"Station, for a few particulars as to how he died, but have had no reply, so please reply to this if at all possible."

Kindly supply any information that may be in your possession in order that we may reply thereto.

*D. A. G.*

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O. I/c Records

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

D. A. G.  
Effects Branch, (Men)

Pay & Record Office,  
28th January 1918.  
B. E. F.

With reference to Inventory of above deceased Soldier's effects, Section 1, Daily No. 409, Con. No. 29, and the previous minutes, exchanged with O. C. 21st C. C. S. 14/1/16 and 21/1/18. In comparing the inventories it is observed that "Jack Knife" was not included in the package forwarded by you. Kindly endeavour to trace the missing articles, please.

*D. A. G.*

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O. I/c Records

*Fountain Pen  
Leather card case  
Pair of buttons in leather case  
3 Keys  
Pencil  
Cap Badge  
Whistles  
Of course other effects may be sent from his unit but there were an item on admission*

21st  
CASUALTY CLEARING  
STATION.

No. *125/119/30*  
Date *21-1-18*

*supplies  
total  
600000*

24 JAN 1918

EFFECTS BRANCH  
3RD ECHELON  
B. E. F.  
3 FEB 1918  
*8/126*



Barb

2832 H. A. J. Duke

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Advise whether  
• You have received  
Effects. as stated

• Effects Received  
except Jack. knife  
on 17-1-18 Ref No. 1022.

J. D. B.

will be shipped to Mr.  
with next shipment

J. D. B.

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Chief Marshall



Chief Paymaster & Officers  
Newfoundland contingent  
Pay & Record Office  
58 Victoria Street  
London  
S. W.

From  
Messrs J. Hannell  
110 St James St  
London

1489/2/B&E  
MASTER & OFFICER'S RECORDS,  
NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,  
58, VICTORIA STREET,  
LONDON, S.W. 1.  
ENGLAND.

Miss E. N. White,  
Post Office,  
Sidley,  
Sussex.

28th. Jany . . . . . B.

2832, PTE. A. J. WHITE, DECEASED,  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

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With further reference to your letter  
10/1/18 (584): The effects of the above  
deceased Soldier have now reached this office  
amongst which were the articles mentioned  
by you. These however can only be handed over  
in due course of law, when the deceased's  
estate is dealt with, which will be with  
as little delay as possible. No will has  
yet been received.

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

FM/WF



BRANCH

The Officer in Charge Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
10, Victoria Street,  
LONDON, S.W. 1

BY  
DATE

No. 2832, Pte WHITE, A.J.  
1st Newfoundland Regiment.

NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT  
PAY OFFICE  
Ref. No. 1382  
-9 FEB 1918

Reference foregoing; all Jack Knives  
(Government issue) are extracted from  
effects received here and passed to the  
Ordnance Department in accordance with  
lines of Communication Routine Order  
No. 221, dated 4th December, 1916.  
That contained in the effects of the  
above mentioned was taken out and dealt  
with in this manner.

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J. E. Dows Penair

Captain,  
Staff Captain.  
for D.A.G.

Effects Branch (Men),  
G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon.  
6th February, 1918.

J/H.

A.G.'s. BRANCH,  
G.H.Q., 3rd ECHOLON.  
Date 6/2/18  
No. 126  
EFFECTS.

16092/5/P&A

7th, October 1917

Asst. Financial Secretary,  
War Office,  
Whitehall, S. W. 1.

Sir,-

ESTATES: NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

With reference to War Office Letter 21/1392 (Accts 4),  
29/1/17 and this office No. 1248/24, 9/2/17: I have the honour to  
enclose cheque £21.10. 9 representing balance due to the estates  
of the late,-

2832, Pte. A. J. White, £ 8.14.10,

3424, J. Teixeira, 13.15.11. £22.10-9

All available particulars have been forwarded to the  
Secretary, War Office.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

FM/WF

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

Schedule of Documents forwarded to the Secretary,  
War Office, relating to the estate of:-

No:2832. Pte. A. J. White. (deceased)  
Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Enclosures No:	Description of Documents.	P.R.O. Ref: No:	Date
1.	N.F.P.43. Regimental particulars (original)		5-10-18
2.	A.F.B.2090A. Death Report. Copy.		28-11-17
3.	A.F.O.1625. Non-effective Account. (Copy)		24- 9-18
4.	Minutes of correspondence.		
5.	A.F.W.3032. Personal Effects.	No:1022	

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

7th October, 1918.





I should be glad to  
receive any articles  
or papers that were  
found on Him at  
the time of his death  
also any money due to  
Him as a Soldier at  
that time, I shall be  
glad to know his place  
of interment,

waiting an early reply

I remain Yours Respectfully  
William Walter White  
Father of a J. White  
late of Sidley Sussex

18th November 8.

18682/1/P&A.

Mr. William W. White,  
15 Duncan Road,  
Ramsgate.

Sir,

ESTATE: 2832. PTE. A. J. WHITE. DECEASED.

With reference to your letter 12/11/18 (9742) on the subject of the estate of the above deceased Soldier: All available particulars and the balance due to your late son's estate have been forwarded to the Secretary, War Office, Effects Branch, Imperial Institute, South Kensington, S.W. 7., to whom all applications relating thereto should be addressed.

Certain articles of effects have been received by this office, but they can only be handed over under authority from the War Office.

Your son's grave site is as follows:-  
Rocquigny Road, British Cemetery,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  miles west of Gouzeaucourt,  
FRANCE.

If further particulars are required applications should be made direct to:-

Director of Graves, Registration & Enquiries,  
War Office,  
Winchester House,  
St. James Square, S.W.1.

I am,  
Sir,  
Your Obedient Servant,

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



Memo. from

**C. WICKENS & SONS,**  
**SIDLEY & NINFIELD.**

General & Fancy Drapers. Clothing & Boots.

THE CELEBRATED C.B. CORSETS from 3/11½ per pair.

To June 29 1918  
Major Timewell

Dr Sir: On Nov: my brother Alec. J. White 2832  
of first Newfoundland Reg: was killed.  
Will you be good enough to put me in  
the right way of obtaining his will  
He had about £400 in trust in Newfoundland  
& will it be necessary to have administration  
papers taken out in Newfoundland as he was  
domiciled there previous to enlisting  
Thanking you in anticipation  
(married sister) M. J. Wickens  
yes truly

1<sup>st</sup> July 1918.

16 Marina

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NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT  
PAY & PENSION OFFICE

Mr. Leonard / Sra.

5960

Dear Sir,

I am writing to know if it is possible for you to tell me if 2832 Pte. Alec J. White, late of the 1<sup>st</sup> Newfoundland Reg. left a will. I was engaged to him for a very long time & have most of his things in my possession. I am very anxious to ~~be~~ dispose of them as he would wish.

I had news that he was severely wounded on Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> last year in the Cambrai Battle & died the next day in a Casualty Clearing Station.

In a letter received from him before starting for France in Nov. 1916. I had an idea he made a will in Styr Scotland where he was stationed for some months. Thanking you for an early reply. Yours truly,  
E. M. Downborough

Ref attached

2832 White. died intestate

Died of wounds

Please

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21. 11. 17

21 C.C.S. France

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You have draft letters to us.



BARNSLEY

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BARNSLEY

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Chief Paymaster & Q/c Recd  
Newfoundland Contingent

58 Victoria Street

London S.W.

1st, October ..... 8

15788/1/Ests.

Miss E. M. Downsborough,  
16, Marina,  
St. Leonard's on Sea, Sussex.

Madam,-

ESTATE 2832, PTE. A. J. WHITE, DECEASED,  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGT.

With reference to your letter 1/7/18 (5960) to which it is much regretted reply has been delayed: No information regarding any Will, which the deceased Soldier may have left, has been received in this office. All available particulars, and the balance due to his Estate, have now been passed to the Secretary Effects Branch War Office, Imperial Institute, S. Kensington, S. W. 7 for disposal and any further applications relating thereto should be so directed.

I am, Madam,

Your obedient Servant,

FM/WF

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

15801/1/Ests.

1st, October . . . . .8

Mrs. M. J. Wickens,  
c/o Messrs C. Wickens & Sons,  
Sidley & Ninfield.

Madam,-

ESTATE: 2832, PTE. A. J. WHITE, DECEASED.

With reference to your letter 29/6/18 (5946) relative to the above deceased Soldier's Estate: All available particulars and the balance due to your late brother's estate have been forwarded to the Secretary, Effects Branch, War Office, Imperial Institute, South Kensington, London, S. W. to whom all applications relating thereto should be directed. No information has been received regarding any Will which the deceased may have left.

The delay in replying to your letter is much regretted.

I am, Madam,

Yours sincerely,

FM/WF

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.



**DUPLICATE  
MAIL COPY.**  
Posted.....

ACK <sup>d</sup> dated 21/1/19	19 IN
Received 10/2/19	Not registered
REPLY date:	
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LA:	
NA:	

20552/655/P&A.

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

M/MN.

12th. December, 8.

2832.PTE.ALEX.J.WHITE(DECEASED)  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

With reference to the following letter from Thos.W.Collingwood c/o Baine, Johnston & Co, St. John's, 7/11/18 (10399):

"Previous to embarking for Overseas Pte. White asked me to look after his financial affairs, but left no instructions in the event of anything happening to him.  
"Unfortunately poor White was killed in action in France sometime in November 1917. I have on hand a little over £200 belonging to his Estate. I have written to his sister a Mrs. W.A. Wickens of Sidley, Sussex regarding the matter, but so far without result. I understand before going into action each man has to fill up a form of Will. If this is so, perhaps you have some record that would guide me in disposing of his affairs. You would do me a great favour if you would kindly let me know."

The deceased Soldier's estate has been handed over to the Secretary of the War Office for disposal, but so far no advice has reached this Office regarding what has taken place.

Mrs. Wickens in a letter to this Office mentioned the fact that there was a sum of money in trust in Newfoundland and a copy of her letter was included in the documents forwarded to the War Office.

As far as is known in this Office White left no Will.

Particulars of kin as revealed in letters to this Office received subsequent to his decease are as

follows,-

William W. White, (Father)  
15, Dundan Road, Ramsgate.

Mrs. M. J. Wickens, (Sister)  
c/o Messrs. C. Wickens & Sons,  
Sidley, Sussex.

Miss E. N. White, (Sister)  
Post Office,  
Sidley, Sussex.

MAIL COPIES  
DUPLICATE  
Post

It has also been stated by Miss E. M. Hornsborough, 16 Marina, St. Leonards-on-Sea, deceased's fiancée, that she is in possession of certain of his effects which she is anxious to dispose of in accordance with his wishes.

The Secretary, War Office, is again being communicated with, with a view to ascertaining whether the estate has been distributed, and advice will be forwarded to you in due course.

It is understood that you will reply to Mr. Collingwood's letter and advise him as customary what action has been taken. Meanwhile the within is for your information. please.

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

Cables and Telegrams:  
"SYNOPTICAL," London.

Telephone:  
VICTORIA 4923 & 4.

Communications to be addressed to the  
CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE.

ENCLOSURE

N. F. P/38.

ORIGINAL

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

## MEMORANDUM.

No. 5925/234/P.&A

C.R. 2832

From

PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,

58, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S.W.1.

FM/FK.

14th April 1919

To: The Hon. The Minister of Militia,  
St. John's,  
NEWFOUNDLAND.

### SUBJECT:

2832 PTE. A.J. WHITE, DECEASED.  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Reference Nos.

### REPLY

Dated Feb. 20th. 1920 191

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE.

With reference to this Office No 20552/655/P&A 12/12/18: during a conversation between Mr. Collingwood and Major Timewell the former stated that he had not yet received a reply to his letter of 7/11/18 to this office. It is presumed that you were awaiting the result of this office enquiry to the War Office before writing him.

The following War Office letter C.E/689188/1 Accts. 4. Misc. Section 7/4/19 is quoted:-

"With reference to your letter  
"of the 12th December last No.  
"21029/420/P&A, relative to  
"the estate of the late No.  
"2832, Pte. Alexander Jabez  
"White, Royal Newfoundland Regt.,  
"I am directed to inform you that  
"no Will executed by the late  
"soldier having been received  
"in or traced by this Office, and  
"as this Department was informed  
"that Letters of Administration  
"to the estate had not been and were  
"not intended to be obtained  
"either in the United Kingdom or  
"in Newfoundland, the amount due to  
"the estate from Army Funds has  
"been issued by the Department  
"in accordance with the Law of  
"Intestacy, viz: to his father,  
"Mr. William Walter White, 15,  
"Duncan Road, Ramsgate.  
"The sum referred to by you should  
"be administered in Newfoundland.

Copy of this office No. 21029/420/P&A, 12/12/19 to the Secretary, War Office, is enclosed for your information. Presumably the money now held in trust by Mr.

Noted, please.

See reply to your No. 20552/655/P&A.

Lt. Col.,  
C.S.O.  
for Minister of Militia.

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Collingwood can be dealt with, please.

*J. J. [Signature]*

Capt.

Asst. Chief Paymaster.

For Chief Paymaster & O.I/c.Recds.

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*Call Council  
Cust. Serv. 11/19/18*

Allandale Road,  
St. John's, Nfld.  
Nov. 7/18.

Major Timewell,  
Pay & Record Office.  
London.

Dear Major,

#2832 Pte. Alex. J. White

Previous to embarking for Overseas Pte. White asked me to look after his financial affairs, but left no instructions in the event of anything happening to him. Unfortunately poor White was killed in action in France sometime in November 1917. I have on hand a little over \$200. belonging to his Estate. I have written to his sister a Mrs. M.A. Wickens of Sidley, Sussex regarding the matter, but so far without result. I understand before going into action each man has to fill up a form of Will. If this is so, perhaps you have some record that would guide me in disposing of his affairs. You would do me a great favour if you would kindly let me know.

Yours very truly,

*Thos. W. Sellingwood*

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINENT, PAY & RECORD OFFICE.	
Ref. Nos IN	✓ 10399
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*Jobaine, Johnston & Co.*

12th. December, 8.

20000/420/P&A

The Secretary,  
War Office, Effects Branch,  
Imperial Institute,  
South Kensington, S.W.7.

Sir,

2832. PTE. A.J. WHITE. (DECEASED).  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

With reference to this Office letter No.16091/320/B&A,  
7/10/18: I have the honour to quote the following letter from  
Thos.W.Collingwood, St. John's, Newfoundland, regarding funds  
held in trust for the deceased, and to ask whether such will be  
dealt with by you as part of the estate, or should it be  
administered in Newfoundland separately. If the latter, the  
manner of disposal of the deceased's estate in this Country may  
be of some assistance to the Minister of Militia, in Newfoundland  
in distributing the funds referred to.

"

Allandale Road,  
St. John's, Nfld.,  
Nov. 7/18.

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"To:- Major.H.A. Timewell.

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"

2832. Pte.Alex.J.White.

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"If this is so, perhaps you have some record that would guide me  
"in disposing of his affairs. You would do me a great favour  
"if you would kindly let me know.

(Signed) Thos.W.Collingwood.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

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



Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—

The Secretary,  
War Office,  
Imperial Institute,  
South Kensington,  
London, S.W.7,

and the following number quoted.

War Office,

Imperial Institute,

South Kensington,

London, S.W.7.

C/E/ 689188 /1 (Accounts 4.)  
(Misc. Section).

4<sup>th</sup> April, 1919.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 12th December last, No.21029/420/P.& A, relative to the estate of the late No.2832, Private Alexander Jabez White, Royal Newfoundland Regiment, I am directed to inform you that ~~no~~ Will executed by the late soldier having been received in or traced by this Office, and as this Department was informed that Letters of Administration to the estate had not been and were not intended to be obtained ~~either~~ <sup>either</sup> in the United Kingdom or in Newfoundland, the amount due to the estate from Army Funds has been issued by the Department in accordance with the Law of Intestacy, viz: to his father, Mr. William Walter White, 15 Duncan Road, Ramsgate.

The sum referred to by you should be administered in Newfoundland.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

2913 L

5925/234.

*A. Major*

The Chief Paymaster and Officer  
in Charge of Records,  
Pay and Record Office,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street,  
S.W.1.

for the Assistant Financial Secretary.

MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE.

(1)

No. 13080/1/R.&C.

Post Office,  
Sidley,  
Sussex.

10/1/18.

Dear Sir,

May I trouble you to let me know whether anything belonging to my brother, who died of wounds Nov. 21st has yet come to hand. His name and No. was 2832, A.J.White, 1st, Newfoundland Regiment. He had one or two things on him such as cigarette case, letter case etc., which are greatly desired as keepsakes by his Fiance and brother and sisters; I trust that these things have not been lost. May I also trouble you to inform me whether my brother made a will, and if so, to whom did he leave his effects. I should esteem it a great favour if you could give me the desired information as "Hope deferred maketh the Heart sick", I wrote to the Casualty Clearing Station for a few particulars as to how he died but have had no reply so please reply to this if at all possible.

Yours faithfully,  
(Sd) E.N. WHITE.

763/1/B&E.

(2)

Miss E.N.White,  
Post Office,  
Sidley, Sussex.

14/1/18.

2832, PTE. A.J. WHITE, (DECEASED)  
1st. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

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With reference to your letter of the 10/1/18 (584): No effects belonging to the above deceased Soldier have been received. Inquiries are being instituted and the result of same will be transmitted to you when received, please.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

770/1/B&E.

(3)

Officer Commanding,  
Plat, Clearing Station,  
E. E. F.,

Pay & Record Office,  
14/1/18.

With reference to the following letter received from Miss Edith N. White, dated 10/1/18, (384),- "May I trouble you to let me know whether anything belonging to my brother who died of wounds Nov. 21st, has yet come to hand. His name and number was 2832 A.J.White, 1st, Nfld. Rgt., He had one or two things on him such as cigarette case, letter case, etc., which are greatly desired as keepsakes by his fiance and brother and sisters, and trust that these things have not been lost. May I also trouble you to inform me whether my brother made a will, and if so to whom did he leave his effects. I should esteem it a great favour if you could give me the desired information as "Hope deferred maketh the heart sick". I wrote to the Casualty Clearing Station, for a few particulars as to how he died, but have had no reply so please reply to this if at all possible." Kindly supply any information that may be in your possession in order that we may reply thereto.

(Sd) H.A.TIMEWELL,

Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

Major,

MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE (CONTINUED).

(4) 5

D.A.G.,  
Effects Branch, (Men).

Pay & Record Office,  
28th, January.

With reference to Inventory of above deceased Soldier's effects, Section 1, Daily No. 409, Con.No. 29, and the previous minutes, exchanged with C.C., 21st, C.C.S., 14/1/18 and 21/1/18. In comparing the Inventories it is observed that "Jack Knife" was not included in the package forwarded by you. Kindly endeavour to trace the missing article, please.

(Sd) H.A. TIMEWELL,  
Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Rds.

(5) 4

Officer in Charge Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
21st, January. 1918.

A letter was sent to a Mrs. Wickins sister of the deceased on the 12th January giving all possible particulars. His effects were forwarded to the Base on 22/11/17, and will be delivered to his next of Kin in the usual way. The effects forwarded from here were as follows, Cigarette Case in was leather case, Jack Knife, Match Box cover, Fountain Pen, Leather Card case, Pair of Scissors in leather case, 3 Keys, Pencil, Cap Badge, whistle. Of course ~~all~~ other effects may be sent from his Unit but these were on him on admission.

(Sd) ?,  
Lieut. Colonel,  
O.C., 21st, C.C. Station.

(6)

1489/P/B&E.  
Miss E.N. White,  
Post Office,  
Sidley. Sussex.

28th, January, 18.

2832, PTE. A.J. WHITE. DECEASED. ROYAL NPLD. REGT.

With further reference to your letter 10/1/18 (584): The effects of the above deceased Soldier have now reached this office amongst which were the articles mentioned by you. These however can only be handed over in due course of law when the deceased's estate is dealt with, which will be with as little delay as possible. No will has yet been received.

Major,  
Chief Paymaster & O i/c Records.

(7)

Officer in Charge Records,  
Newfoundland Contingent,  
58, Victoria Street, SLW.1.  
February. 6th, 1918.

No. 2832, PTE. A.J. WHITE. 1st. NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Reference foregoing; all Jack Knives (Government issue) are extracted from effects received here and passed to the Ordnance Department in accordance with Lines of Communication Routine Order No. 224, dated 4th December 1916. That contained in the effects of the above mentioned was taken out and dealt with in this manner.

(Sd) ?  
Effects Branch, (Men)  
G.H.Q., 3rd, Echelon,

Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
For D.A.G.



MINUTES OF CORRESPONDENCE (CONTINUED).

(8)

Mr. Maxwell,

Dear Sir,

On November my brother Alec J. White 2832 of 1st Newfoundland Regt., was killed. Will you be good enough to put me in the right way of obtaining his will. He had about £40.0.0. in trust in Newfoundland and will it be necessary to have administration papers taken out in Newfoundland as he was domiciled there previous to enlisting. Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours truly,

(Married Sister) M.J. Wickens.

(9)

16, Marina,  
St. Leonards-on-Sea,  
Sussex.

1st. July, 1918.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to know if it is possible for you to tell me, if 2832, Pte. Alec J. White, late of the 1st Newfoundland Regt., left a will. I was engaged to him for a very long time and have most of his things in my possession, and am very anxious to dispose of them as he would wish. I had news that he was severely wounded on November 29th last year in the Cambrai Battle and died the next day in a Casualty Clearing Station. In a letter received from him before starting for France in November 1916, I had an idea he made a will in Ayr, Scotland, where he was stationed for some months. Thanking you for an early reply.

Yours truly,

E.M. Downsborough.

14/5/20

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Mr William Walter White  
15 Duncan Road  
RAMSGATE

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FROM {

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ORIGINAL

# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

## MEMORANDUM.

No. 20552/855/P&A.

C.R. 2832

From

PAY AND RECORD OFFICE,

58, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

To

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

FM/MN.

12th. December, 1918.

### SUBJECT:

2832.PTE.ALEX.J.WHITE(DECEASED)  
ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Reference Nos.

### REPLY

Dated Feb. 20th. 1920

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE.

With reference to the following letter from Thos.W.Collingwood c/o Bains, Johnston & Co, St. John's, 7/11/18 (10399):

"Previous to embarking for Overseas Pte.White asked me to look after his financial affairs, but left no instructions in the event of anything happening to him. Unfortunately poor White was killed in action in France some-time in November 1917. I have on hand a little over \$200 belonging to his Estate. I have written to his sister a Mrs.W.A.Wickens of Sidley, Sussex regarding the matter, but so far without result. I understand before going into action each man has to fill up a form of Will. If this is so, perhaps you have some record that would guide me in disposing of his affairs. You would do me a great favour if your would kindly let me know."

The deceased Soldier's estate has been handed over to the Secretary of the War Office for disposal, but so far no advice has reached this Office regarding what has taken place.

Mrs.Wickens in a letter to this Office mentioned the fact that there was a sum of money in trust in Newfoundland and a copy of her letter was included in the documents forwarded to the War Office.

As far as is known in this Office White left no Will.

Particulars of kin as revealed in letters to this Office received subsequent to his decease are as

The enclosed Bill of exchange for 258.6.8., representing the amount handed in by Mr.Collingwood as the balance in his possession on account of Pte.White, is forwarded for necessary action please.

Lt.Col.,  
C.S.O.  
for Minister of Militia.

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follows,-

William.W.White, (Father)  
15, Duncan Road, Ramsgate.

Mrs.M.J.Wickens, (Sister)  
c/o Messrs.C.Wickens & Sons,  
Sidley, Sussex.

Miss.E.N.White, (Sister)  
Post Office,  
Sidley, Sussex.

It has also been stated by Miss.  
E.N.Downsborough, 16 Marina, St.Leonards-  
on-Sea, deceased's fiancée, that she  
is in possession of certain of his effects  
which she is anxious to dispose of in  
accordance with his wishes.

The Secretary, War Office, is again  
being communicated with, with a view to  
ascertaining whether the estate has been  
distributed, and advice will be forwarded  
to you in due course.

It is understood that you will reply  
to Mr. Collingwood's letter and advise him  
as customary what action has been taken.  
Meanwhile the within is for your information  
please.

*F. J. Mansel*  
Major.,  
Chief Paymaster & O.i/c Records.,

MEMORANDUM  
FOR THE RECORD  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]  
[Illegible text follows, appearing to be a memorandum or report with various headings and paragraphs, but the text is mostly illegible due to fading and bleed-through.]

White, S. J.

2832

Ray Sept.

Jan. 24, 1920

Thomas Callingwood, Esq.,  
C/o Baine & Johnson Co.,  
City

Re #2832 Pte. A. J. White, Deceased

Dear Sir:-  
Sometime ago we received a letter from London Pay & Record Office, giving the following extract from letter received by them from the War Office, dated 7th April 1919:

"WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR LETTER OF THE 12TH  
"DECEMBER LAST NO. 21029/420/P&A, RELATIVE TO  
"THE ESTATE OF THE LATE NO. 2832, PTE. ALEXANDER  
"JABEZ WHITE, ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGT., I AM  
"DIRECTED TO INFORM YOU THAT NO "WILL" EXECUTED  
"BY THE LATE SOLDIER HAVING BEEN RECEIVED IN OR  
"TRACKED BY THIS OFFICE, AND AS THIS DEPARTMENT WAS  
"INFORMED THAT LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION TO THE  
"ESTATE HAD NOT BEEN AND WERE NOT INTENDED TO BE  
"OBTAINED EITHER IN THE UNITED KINGDOM OR IN  
"NEWFOUNDLAND, THE AMOUNT DUE TO THE ESTATE FROM  
"ARMY FUNDS HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN  
"ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF INTESTACY, VIZ: TO HIS  
"FATHER, MR. WILLIAM WALTER WHITE, 15, DUNCAN ROAD,  
"RAMSGATE.  
"THE SUM REFERRED TO BY YOU SHOULD BE ADMINISTERED  
"IN NEWFOUNDLAND."

This is referred to you in connection with the enquiry regarding administration of the said soldier's estate.

Yours truly

Major

Paymaster.



**FIELD SERVICE**

CR 2832  
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. 218 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

DUPLICATE

REGIMENT (or Corps) 1st Newfoundland Regt. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company B.C.

Regimental No. 8979 Rank Private

Surname White Christian Names A.J.

Date 21/11/17 Place France

Died Cause of Death Died of wounds received in Action.

Nature and Date of Report Extract B.I.C.O.S. 23/11/17. (N/17054/2). A.A.G.

By whom made O.C. B.I.C.O.S.

\* 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)	}	<u>Not received.</u>	(b) in Small Book (if at Base) <u>Not received.</u>
		(c) as a separate document	<u>Not received.</u>

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.

G.H.Q., 3rd Echelon.

Station and Date 28/11/17 Signature of Officer in charge of Section [Signature]  
Adjutant-General's Office at the Base and Lt. for Major,  
Officer i/c No. 1 Infantry Section.

# FIELD SERVICE.

C.R. 2832  
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. 86, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } \_\_\_\_\_ Squadron, Troop, }  
OB CORPS } \_\_\_\_\_ Battery or Company } **O.Co.**

Regimental No. **2632**, Rank **Private.**

Surname **White.** Christian Names **A.J.**

Died { Date **21/11/17.** Place **France.**

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

Nature and Date of Report **Extract B.I.C.O.S. 23/11/17. (N/17054/P). A.A.7.**

By whom made **O.C. B.I.C.O.S.**

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Station and Date } **28/11/17.**

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

**Officer i/c No.1 Infantry Section.**



**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

Rank Pte Regiment or Corps 2/1 Newfoundland Regt **C.R.**  
 Surname White Christian Name Alfred 2215

Religion C of E Age on Enlistment 28 years 8 months.

Enlisted (a) Self Terms of Service (a) Duration Service reckons from (a) 1/5/16

Date of promotion to present rank \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment to lance rank \_\_\_\_\_

Extended { \_\_\_\_\_ } Re-engaged { \_\_\_\_\_ } Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_  
 or Corps Trade and Rate \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Officer i/c Records.

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 <u>Shamilton</u>		<u>30 NOV 1916</u>	
		Disembarked <u>Shamilton</u>		<u>1-DEC 1916</u>	
	<u>Unit-</u>	<u>Joined Battalion</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>12/12/16</u>	<u>B213</u>
			<u>With BATT. 25. I. IV</u>		
<u>24.4.17</u>	<u>18 B.R.S.</u>	<u>Ad. 96. Y. Legs</u>	<u>In the Field</u>	<u>8.4.17</u>	<u>EA 3059</u>
<u>17.5.17</u>	<u>do</u>	<u>Discharged to duty</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>2.5.17</u>	<u>EA 4242</u>
<u>12.5.17</u>	<u>O.C. Unit</u>	<u>Joined Battalion</u>	<u>In the Field</u>	<u>7 MAY 1917</u>	<u>B 213</u>
	<u>210 Co</u>	<u>Discharged</u>	<u>France</u>	<u>2/10/17</u>	<u>RA 9/11.7054/2</u>
			<u>J. Henry</u>		

(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.



# NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

## MEMORANDUM.

No. 23552/655/P.A.

C.R. 2832

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

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

FM/MN. 12th. December, 1918.

**SUBJECT:**

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Reference Nos.

**REPLY**

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*[Signature]*  
Major.,

Chief Paymaster & C.O. Records.,

I hereby acknowledge receipt of the *British War and Victory medals*

Date Oct 6 1921.

Regtl. No. 2832 A. J. White

Rank Private

Signature A. J. White