



# FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

## ATTESTATION OF

No. 2797 Name William Lambert Masters, Corps

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

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|--|--|
| 1. What is your name? .....  | 1. <u>William Lambert Masters</u>          |
| 2. What is your full Address? .....  | 2. <u>Hr. Bennett<br/>Placentia Bay</u>    |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? .....  | 3. <u>Yes</u>                              |
| 4. What is your age? .....   | 4. <u>24</u> Years <u>10</u> Months        |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? .....  | 5. <u>Sailor</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 ..... <u>Yes</u> |
| 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>                           |

FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR

I, William Lambert Masters 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.

2 May 30th /16 William Lambert Masters SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.  
Charles Aye Signature of Witness.

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

I, William Lambert Masters 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 27th day of May 1916.

Signature of Attesting Officer Charles Aye 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 .....

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

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

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† 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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Placentia Bay
- 3. Are you a British Subject? ..... 3. Yes
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- 5. What is your Trade or Calling? ..... 5. Sailor
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Dear sir

I havent  
received either allotment  
since the 4 of February  
I havent the cheque is  
is changed

Mrs James Graves

2494

Cheque not received  
for month of Feb altho  
mailed to correct address  
14 Central Street  
LP

C.R. 2797

STATEMENT OF PRISONER OF WAR

2797 Private William Masters,

14 Central Street, St John's.

Enlisted: March, 1916. Proceeded Overseas: August, 1916.

Date and Place of Capture: Monchy-le-Pretux, April 14th, 1917.

Company in France: "C" .

CIRCUMSTANCES OF CAPTURE: In the big German counter attack we found ourselves surrounded and as we had little or no ammunition left, we were taken prisoners.

DETAILS OF LIFE AND TREATMENT UNDER CAPTURE: I was sent to Douai for two days and then to Fort MacDonald, Lille, for five days. Then we were shifted to Marquion to work behind the German lines under our own shell fire. Conditions were very bad here, as we had no blankets or greatcoats and the weather was very cold, at ~~that~~<sup>night</sup> time especially; and we practically nothing to eat at all. After a fortnight here we were sent up nearer the line to Avencourt for about 4 months, road-making and repairing railroads. We then moved to Bouchesnes for a month, where the treatment was a little better. We were given blankets and the food was not so bad as it was. We then went back to Monchycourt, a little nearer the line, for about a week loading ammunition. We were then shifted to Germany and sent to Schneidermahl, in the vicinity of which I was kept for about 11 months, working on a farm. I cannot complain very much of the treatment here, as the farmer I worked for was a very decent man, and the parcels from the Red Cross began to arrive regularly, and also my home letters.

I was repatriated via Copenhagen and arrived in Leith on Xmas Day.

Taken down by... *Capt. R.H. Lait*

Forwarded to D.O.C. *March 24<sup>th</sup> - 1515*

*R.H. Lait*

Captain  
O.C. Discharge Depot



Masters Ww

2797

Pay Dept

ST. JOHN'S, Mar 24 /19

# Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Billeting Account,

To W. W. Masters

Billeting Soldiers as undermentioned

from Feb 8<sup>th</sup> /19 to Mar 24<sup>th</sup> /19

2797.	W. W. Masters	46	50
	B. m.		
	14427		EW
	W. Masters		

Certified correct for \$ 46. 50

R. J. [Signature]  
Billeting Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.

WAR SERVICE GRATUITY.

St. John's, Newfoundland.

Declaration required of Officers and men of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, who claim War Service Gratuity under Order-in-Council dated January 28th. 1919.

A complete reply must be given to every question in this Declaration. There must be no blanks and no omissions. If any question are not applicable, the words "NOT APPLICABLE" must be written out.

On completion this Declaration is to be returned to THE OFFICER I/C RECORDS, PAY & RECORD OFFICE, ST. JOHN'S.

1. Christian name *William* 2. Surname *Masters* .....

3. Rank *Pte* .....

4. Regtl. No. *2797* .....

5. Address in full to which future payments of gratuity are to be forwarded..... *14 Central St. St. John's*

6. Date of enlistment in the Regiment..... *May 26/16*

7. Name of dependent, if any, to whom Separation Allowance is being issued, or was being issued, immediately prior to your discharge..... *No*

8. Relationship of such dependents..... *---*

9. Address in full of such dependent.....

10. Is said dependent, now, or was said dependent at any time in receipt of Separation Allowance on account of another soldier?..... *No*

11. Were you on active service only in Nfld. If so, give dates, and particulars of such service..... *Overseas*

12. Give total length of time which you served on active service, whether in Nfld. or Overseas..... *From May 26/16*

*To April 7/1919*

13. Have you had more than one enlistment? If so, give particulars of discharge and re-enlistments, and under what regimental numbers.....

*No*

14. Have you already received any payment of Post Discharge pay or War Service Gratuity? If so, state amount you and your dependents have already received and by whom paid.....

*Clothing allowance back pay \$42.64*  
*Board allowance 42*

15. Have you been issued with a War Service Badge?.....

*No*

16. Have you, during the present war, served in the Imperial Forces *No*

17. Are you entitled to receive, or have you received any Gratuity in the nature of post Discharge Pay from the Imperial Forces? If so, state amount received, or to which you are entitled.....

*No*

18. Did you revert Overseas to a rank lower than the substantive rank held by you on your arrival in England?.....

*No*

(b). If so, was such reversion in consequence of misconduct or inefficiency?.....

19. Are you now serving in the Regt.? ..... If not give:- (a) Date of discharge..... (b) Reason for discharge.....

*Apl. 7/19*

*Demobilization*

20. Did you at any time serve at the front in an actual theatre of War? If so give particulars of places, and dates of such service.....

*France - Nov. 1916 to Apl. 1917 as he  
was a prisoner of war at  
Monchy and removed to Germany*

21. (a) Are you receiving treatment from the Civil Re-Establishment Com.?

(b). If so, are you in receipt of full pay and allowances from that Committee?.....

*No*

And I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath.

*William Masters*

Signature of Applicant:

Place of Residence:

*14 Central St. St. John's*

Declared before me at:

*St. John's, Nfld*

This

*8th*

day of

*April, 1919*

*John M. McCarthy*

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

POST DISCHARGE PAY.

Date paid	Paid Soldier	Paid Dependent	War Service Gratuity	Net amount due
.....	.....	.....	<i>5.00</i>	<i>350.00</i>
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Certified Correct.			Paymaster.	

STANDARD BOND

# The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

DEMOBILIZATION OF

Reg. No. 2797 Rank PO Name Masters DW  
 Date of Enlistment 30-3-16 Address St John's District St John's  
 Occupation Sailor Classification for Discharge B Medical Category E  
 Recommendation S.M.B. Peru unfit Disability Rating 40% 3 honours

Passed to Demobilization Officer with following documents:—

N.F. P/36	B 268	B 121	N.F. Med.	D.F. 1	
B 178	W 3494	B 122	Board 1st	" 2	
B 178a	D 400A	B 1915	do 2nd	" 3	3
B 179	D 400B	Form L	do 3rd	" 4	
B 179a	D 400C	Form K	do 4th	" 5	
B 179b	B 103	ME 2		" 6	
B 179c	B 120	M 93			

Date 22-3-19 H.M. W's 4  
O. C. Discharge Depot.

## PARTICULARS FOR DEMOBILIZATION

### 1. Civil Re-Establishment.

I am not in a position to resume civilian occupation.

*William Masters*

Particulars passed to Vocational Officer for information and action.

Date 22. 3. 19.

*Roberts Capt*

### 2. Clothing.

Certified that Clothing Regulations have been complied with:—

(a) Clothing Allowance payable \$60.00

(b) Clothing Supplied Peru unfit

Date 24-3-19

O i/c. Re-clothing.

3. Transportation and Release Certificate.

The above named has been provided with Travelling Warrant No. 1647 to his home at 14 Central St. H. Johns and Release Certificate No. 1647 issued.

Date 24-3-19 *J.A. Crawford*  
Demobilization Officer

4. Pay and Allowances.

The herein named soldier's accounts have been correctly balanced and all matters in connection therewith settled. He has received pay and allowances to 7-4-19

Date 24-3-19 *J.A. Crawford*  
Depot Paymaster.

Discharge approved for 24-3-19

Forwarded with following documents to O.C Discharge Depot.

N.F. P 36.	B 268.	1	B 121.	N.F. Med.	D.F. 1.	1	<i>Arms B. 1.</i>
F 178.	W 3494.		B 122.	Board 1st.	" 2.	1	
R 178a.	D 400A.	1	B 1915.	do 2nd.	" 3.		
B 179.	D 400B.		Form L.	do 3rd.	" 4.		
B 179a.	D 400C.		Form K.	do 4th.	" 5.		
B 179b.	B 103.	1	ME 2.		" 6.		
B 179c.	B 120.		M 93.				

Date 24-3-19 *J.A. Crawford*  
Demobilization Officer.

APPROVED.

Documents as above forwarded to:—

Officer i/c Records.  
Board of Pension Commissioners.

with following additional documents.

Eligible for War Service Gratuity

Date MAR 24 1919 *R.H. Sait Capt.*  
O. C. Discharge Depot.

Received the above noted documents from O. C. Discharge Depot.

Date .....

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

# MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Masters OF Christian Name William L

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE.

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

	SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY	
	Right	Left	Right	Left
Examined	on 30 day of <u>March</u> 191 <u>0</u>	on	day of	191
Declared Age	at <u>St Johns</u>	at		
Trade or Occupation	<u>24</u> years <u>10</u> months <u>no</u> days		years	days
Height	<u>Sailor</u>			
Weight	<u>5</u> feet - <u>8</u> inches		feet	inches
Chest Measurement	<u>137</u> lbs.			
Physical Development	Girth when fully expanded... <u>35 1/2</u> inches			inches
	Range of expansion... <u>2 1/2</u> inches			inches
Vaccination Marks				
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R.E.—V= <u>4/6</u>		R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V= <u>6/6</u>		L.E.—V=	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(a)		(a)	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to Cause Rejection	(b)		(b)	
Approved by (Signature)	<u>Samuel Paterson</u>			
(Rank)	<u>Major</u>		Medical Officer.	Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at <u>St Johns</u>	at		
	on <u>28</u> day of <u>March</u> 191 <u>0</u>	on	day of	191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps. <u>1st Newfoundland Regt</u>	Regtl. No. <u>2797</u>	Corps.	Regtl. No.
Transferred to				
Became non-effective by				
(Signature)	on	day of	191	on
(Rank)				day of





## Civil Re-establishment Committee



I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have had an interview with the Vocational Officer of the Civil Re-establishment Committee or other recognized vocational agent of the Committee who has explained to me the provisions made by the Committee for the industrial re-training of disabled or partially disabled sailors and soldiers as well as the readiness of the Committee to assist any returned sailors and soldiers (whether disabled or not) to find employment. My decision is as follows:

To take course in Motor Engineering

William Masters

Signature of Man.

Reg. No. 2797


Signature of the Vocational Officer or his Representative.

Place

St Johns

Date

March 24th 1919

  
**Department of Militia, Newfoundland**  
**Medical Department**

**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. John's Wfld*

Date *March 19th 1918*

1. Unit *Royal Newfoundland*
2. Regimental No. *2794*
3. Rank *Private*
4. Name *Masters William L.*
5. Age last birthday *28*
6. Enlisted on *30th March 1916*
7. Former trade or occupation *Sailor*

8. Disability

*Debrility*

9. History *Taken Prisoner of war at Monchy April 14. 1917. Not wounded. In Germany 20 months.*

10. What is his present condition? *Complaints of pain under heart*  
*Shortness of breath on exertion.*  
*Heart-Rapid. P.R. 120*

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

11. Was sanatorium advised and refused? *no*  
operation

12. Do you recommend discharge as permanently unfit? *yes*

Signature *[Signature]*  
Rank or Qualification *501*  
*MO Dept*

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:—

14. Does the Board concur in preceding report? (see Sect. 10) If not give differing opinion and additional findings.

*Yes. general condition poor*

15. (a) THE ENTIRE DISABILITY—To what extent is his capacity lessened at present for earning a full livelihood in the general labor market? 40%

- (b) PENSIONABLE DISABILITY—To what extent is his capacity at present for earning a full livelihood in the general labor market lessened by that portion of his disability to or incurred during service? 40% 2 months
- (State in percentage.)

Remarks if any:—

16. Is the disability permanent?

17. Has the disability been aggravated by      (a) Intemperence      (b) Misconduct

18. The refusal of operation sanatorium is:— (a) Reasonable  
(b) Unreasonable

Remarks if any:—

19. If fit subject for Hospital do you recommend admittance to { General Hospital,  
Naval and Military Con-  
valescent Hospital,  
Jensen Tuberculosis Camp.

20. We recommend discharge from attention in the Army

Remarks if any:—

*[Signature]*  
.....  
President

Signatures.....  
*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
.....

Place.....  
*[Signature]*  
Date.....  
*March 20/19*

APPROVED

Station.....  
Date.....



*[Signature]*  
.....  
Administrative Medical Officer



## 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 *William Masters*

Regiment from which discharged *Royal Newfoundland*

Regimental number *2797*

Intended address *A John*

Height on discharge *5* Feet *7*

Color of hair on discharge *Dark*

Complexion *Fair*

Color of eyes *Brown*

Descriptive Marks \_\_\_\_\_

Figure on discharge *Med.*

Christian name of Father *James*

Christian name of Mother *Emma*

Wife's maiden name in full \_\_\_\_\_

Date and place of marriage \_\_\_\_\_

Christian names of children \_\_\_\_\_

Place and date of soldier's birth *St. Buffets. July 19-1891.*

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) *William Masters*

Station *A John* Date *18-3-19.* (Rank) *P*

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.

Station \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

Regimental Number 2797

Rank pte Regiment or Corps 2/1 Newfoundland Regt. Surname Masters Christian Name W<sup>m</sup> L. Amber

Religion Angl. Age on Enlistment 24 years 10 months.

Enlisted (a) St John's Terms of Service (a) Duration Service reckons from (a) 20th Nov 1915

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				
		<b>Embarked</b>	<b>St. John's</b>	<b>30 NOV 1916</b>	
		<b>Disembarked</b>	<b>St. John's</b>	<b>1-DEC 1916</b>	
	<i>Unit</i>	<b>1st Battalion</b>	<b>France</b>	<b>12/12/16</b>	<b>B 213</b>
<b>5 APR 1917</b>	<b>OC. Bn.</b>	<b>MISSING</b>	<b>France</b>	<b>1 APR 1917</b>	<b>B 213</b>
	<b>War Office</b>	<b>Prisoners of War in Germany captured at Monchy</b>		<b>14.4.17</b>	<b>Off. German Rep. forwarded by General Red Cross 20.7.17.</b>
			<i>Signature</i>		
			O. i/c No. 1 Reg. Infantry Section C. B. G. 3rd Division		

(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.

THIS TICKET TO BE SHOWN AT THE GANGWAY AND RETAINED BY THE SOLDIER

# The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

## DISEMBARKATION TICKET

Group No. 7.

No. 2797 Rank Pte Name Masters W.L.

Address H. Buffett. P.B.

**PASS.** You are granted permission to be absent from Depot  
until MAR 17 1919 on which date you will report  
for demobilization. (see over)

EMPIRE BARRACKS  
ST. JOHN'S, N.F.

R.H. Sait  
COMMANDING DISCHARGE DEPOT



# The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Class for Demobilization:—

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

Discharge Depot: Headquarters The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Date .....

Regimental No. 2197.....

Name Masters, William .....

Address St. John's .....

Present Medical Category..... E .....

P.O.W.

Recommended for:— { (a) ~~Immediate discharge~~ .....

(b) Standing Medical Board.....

Members of Board {

R. J. Last Capt  
O.C. Discharge Depot.

L. J. Brown  
Senior Medical Officer

G. W. Burden  
M. O. Depot

# The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

## PROCEEDINGS ON DISCHARGE

1. No. 2799 Rank Pte Name Masters Lou  
 Intended place of residence 14 Central St. St John  
 2. Occupation Painter  
 Classification of soldier B Medical Category F

3. The above named man is discharged in consequence of DEMOBILIZATION

### Eligible for War Service Gratuity

4. His accounts are correctly balanced and I have impartially inquired into all matters brought before me, in accordance with Regulations.

Place ST. JOHN'S for H. Mas H.  
 Date MAR. 24. 1919 Commanding Discharge Depot  
 The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

## CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY SOLDIER ON DISCHARGE

5. I hereby acknowledge that I have received all my pay and allowances (including clothing allowance) and all just demands up to the present date, and hereby release the Discharge Depot, Royal Newfoundland Regiment, of all financial responsibility in my connection.

Place and date ST. JOHN'S 24. 3. 19  
 Signature of soldier William Masters  
 Signature of witness W. J. Eaton R. Q. M. S.

## CIVILIAN RE-ESTABLISHMENT CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY SOLDIER

6. I hereby certify that I am in a position to resume civilian occupation immediately on discharge.

Place and Date ST. JOHN'S 22. 3. 19  
 Signature of soldier William Masters  
 Signature of witness W. J. Eaton R. Q. M. S.

## STATEMENT OF SERVICE

7. Enlisted for service 30. 3. 16 No of days on Military  
 Discharged from service 24. 3. 19 Plus 14 days Service 1104

## APPROVAL OF DISCHARGE

8. The discharge of the above mentioned soldier is hereby approved to be confirmed by the Officer i/c Records, The Royal Newfoundland Regiment, twenty-eight days from date.

Place ST. JOHN'S R. H. Lait Capt  
 Officer Commanding Discharge Depot  
 The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.  
 Date MAR 24 1919

## CONFIRMATION OF DISCHARGE

9. The discharge of above mentioned soldier is hereby confirmed.  
 Place St. John's Regt M. Bowley Capt  
 Officer i/c Records  
 The Royal Newfoundland Regiment  
 Date April 7/1919  
H. B. 20/19/16 25

56  
 48  
 10  
 36  
 31

April 7th., 1919

#2797 Pte. William L. Masters,  
#14 Central St.,  
City

Dear Sir:-

Please find enclosed "Discharge Certificate  
No. 1635."

Yours truly,

Captin,  
Paymaster & U.I/c Records

W. L. Masters.

C.R.

2197

P.H.O.



WAR OFFICE,  
Alexandra House,  
Kingsway, W.C.2.

Extract from ~~letter or postcard~~ from prisoner of war sent  
by postal censor.

Regimental description  
of writer:-

Pte William L. Masters 2794.  
"C" Coy. 1st Newfoundland Regt.

Date:- 29.9.14.

Camp:- Friedrichsfeld,

Remarks:- Prisoner darn well.

Addressed to:- Mr. James Masters, 14 Central St.  
St Johns Newfoundland.

21<sup>st</sup> Nov. 1917.



C.2. Casualties.

Corps.	Unit.	Rank.	Reg. No.	Surname.	Christian Names.
Newfoundland	1	Pte	2494	MASTERS	William

Date of Capture.	Place Captured.	Last Place of Internment.	Born in the year	Term of Service.	Date of Enlistment.	Married or Single.
14.4.14	Amas	Schneidmuhl	1890	N.A	30.3.16	S

Medical Category.	Address:	Date of Arrival at the Camp.	Date of Departure from the Camp.	Industrial Group.	Trade or Occupation.
B 1.	Record Office 58 Victoria St London	25.12.18	27 DEC 1918		Fisherman

For Repatriation Overseas after the War.
yes

I have received parcel No. 2 dated 8/5/18 containing:—

ARTICLE	QUANTITY
8 BOOTS, Pair.	
BRACES, Pair.	
CAP.	
CARDIGAN.	
DRAWERS, Pairs.	1
GLOVES, Pair.	1
GREATCOAT.	1
HANDKERCHIEFS.	
JACKET.	
KIT-BAG.	
SHIRTS.	1
SHOES, CANVAS, Pair.	1
SOCKS, Pairs.	1
TOWELS.	1
TROUSERS, Pair.	1
VESTS.	1

My present address is:

<sup>119</sup>No. 2797 Pl. W. Masters

THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT,

Scheidmühl, Deutschland

Box 5

Date 24/6 1918 Pl. W. Masters

Signature.



I have received parcel No. 3 dated 17/12/17 containing:—

ARTICLE	BOOTS, Pairs.	BRACES, Pairs.	CAP.	CARDIGAN.	DRAWERS, Pairs	GLOVES, Pairs.	GREATCOAT.	HANDKERCHFS.	JACKET.	KIT-BAG.	SHIRTS.	SHOES, CANVAS. Pairs.	SOCKS, Pa. 4.	TOWELS.	TROUSERS, Pairs	VESTS.
<i>[Handwritten scribble]</i>									1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

My present address is:

<sup>119</sup>No. 2797 St. Wm. h. Mar. Ess.  
1st Newfoundland Reg  
Schneidemühl Gefangenenlager

Date 10/2/15 Deutschland

William Hartley Signature.

I have received parcel No. 1 dated 4/12/17 containing:—

ARTICLE	BOOTS, Pairs.	BRACES, Pairs.	CAP.	CARDIGAN.	DRAWERS, Pairs	GLOVES, Pairs.	GREATCOAT.	HANDKERCH'FS.	JACKET.	KIT-BAG.	SHIRTS.	SHOES, CANVAS. Pairs.	SOCKS, Pa.	TOWELS.	TROUSERS, Pairs	VESTS.
<i>W.L. Masters</i>	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	2	1	—	1

My present address is:

*119* No. *2797* *W.L. Masters*  
*1st Newmarket Reg*  
*Schneidemühl Gefängnislager*

Date *10 2 1918* *Deutschland*

*William L Masters* Signature

I have received parcel No. 3 dated 8/5/18 containing:—

ARTICLE.	BOOTS, Pair.	BRACES, Pair.	CAP.	CARDIGAN.	DRAWERS, Pairs.	GLOVES, Pair.	GREATCOAT.	HANDKERCHIEFS.	JACKET.	KIT-BAG.	SHIRTS.	SHOES, CANVAS, Pair.	SOCKS	TOWELS.	TROUSERS, Pair.	VESTS.
<i>[scribble]</i>	1		1					1	1			1	1		1	

My present address is:

<sup>119</sup>No. 2797 Pte Wm L. Masters.

THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT,

Schneidmühl

Deutschland Coy. 5

Date 30/6 1818

William L. Masters

Signature.

I have received parcel No. 4 dated 12 / 2 / 18 containing:—

ARTICLE.	BOOTS, Pairs.	BRACES, Pairs.	CAP.	CARDIGAN.	DRAWERS, Pairs	GLOVES, Pairs.	GREATCOAT.	HANDKERCH'FS.	JACKET.	KIT-BAG.	SHIRTS.	SHOES, CANVAS. Pairs	SOCKS, Pairs.	TOWELS.	TROUSERS, Pairs	VESTS.
QUANTITY.																

My present address is:

<sup>119</sup>No. 2797 Mr. Wm. H. Masters.

1st Berfordland Reg

23-3 1919 Gefangenenlager

Schneidemühl. Deutschland

Date 10 5 company

Signature.

No 2797 Rank Rte Name Master W L

Pay	F.A.	Wkg	Total	N.F.P/33
100	10		1.10	
Less Allotment			60	
Net Rate			50	

*CH*  
*25-12-18*  
*10.10.0*

DEBITS	Date	£ s d			CREDITS	Period		Days	Rate	£ s d		
		£	s	d		From	To			£	s	d
Balance					Balance	24/12/17				33	3	7
Acquittance Rolls					Pay @ Net Rate	24/12/17	28/1/18	372	50	186	00	38 4 4
Hospital Advances												
A.B. 64				17 11								
P.&R.O. Payments				10 0	br Bal 10/17/11							
Cash Rec 127	25/12/18	20	0	0	<del>£50.17/11</del>							
Cheque 11247	20/12/18	40	0	0								
Recpt 588	20/19	10	0	0								

*£71.7.11*

Reg. No. 2494 Rank *Mc* Name *Master W.L.*

Attested ..... Address *911 Buffalo N.B.*

Allotment ..... Allottee .....

Date of Allotment ..... Returned from Overseas *7-2-19.*

Returned on S.S. *Consular* Cause *Discharge*

*Released Prisoner of War.*

*20.3.19 Rec. Dis - from the Army.*

MAR 22 1919 PASSED TO DEMOBILIZATION OFFICE

*24.3.19* DISCHARGE APPROVED ON DEMOBILIZATION.

# The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

## CIVILIAN RE-ESTABLISHMENT ON DEMOBILIZATION

No. 2797 Rank Pte Name Masters Wm  
 Former Occupation Sailor Address 14 Central St District St Johns  
 Class B Medical Category E Disability Rating 40% 3mts  
O.C. Discharge Depot.

Above noted man states he has no employment in prospect on his discharge. His personal wish is to obtain a position as Motor Engineer. His case has therefore been referred this day to the Vocational Officer for action, and his discharge is therefore held in abeyance.

Date 22-3-19

W. D. [Signature]  
 Demobilization Officer Capt

To be forwarded Orderly Room in Duplicate.

**EXTRACT FROM STATEMENT OF A/C TO 31-1-19 FROM PAY OFFICE**

**LONDON**

**2797 Pts Masters, W.L. Dr. Bal. £2:1:10**

**THIS TRANSFERRED TO PAY OFFICE 7-4-19**



C.A. 2797

William L. Masters was attested for General service  
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on ..... May 30th 1916  
Regimental No<sup>2797</sup> was allotted to Pte. W.L. Masters.

AUTHORITY:

Record Ledger,

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th. 1919.

A2797

# The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

## DEMOBILIZATION OF

Reg. No. 2797 Rank PO Name Masters  
 Date of Enlistment 30-3-16 Address St John District St John  
 Occupation Sailor Classification for Discharge B Medical Category E  
 Recommendation S.M.B. Peru unfit Disability Rating 40% 3 months

Passed to Demobilization Officer with following documents:—

N.F. P/36	B 268	B 121	N.F. Med.	D.F. 1.
B 178	W 3494	B 122	Board 1st.	" 2.
B 178a	D 400A	B 1915	do 2nd.	" 3.
B 179	D 400B	Form L.	do 3rd.	" 4.
B 179a	D 400C	Form K.	do 4th.	" 5.
B 179b	B 103	ME 2		" 6.
B 179c	B 120	M 93		

Date 22-3-19 O. C. Discharge Depot H. M. W. St

### PARTICULARS FOR DEMOBILIZATION

1. Civil Re-Establishment.

I am not in a position to resume civilian occupation.

*William Masters*

Particulars passed to Vocational Officer for information and action.

Date 22-3-19 P. B. Dickes Capt.

2. Clothing.

Certified that Clothing Regulations have been complied with:—

(a) Clothing Allowance payable \$65.00

(b) Clothing Supplied Peru unfit

Date 24-3-19

O i/c. Re-clothing.

2797

The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Demobilization of  
 Ser. No. 2797 Name *Wasters* *DW*  
 Date of Expiration *22-3-19* District *St John's*  
 Occupation *pilot* Classification for Discharge *B* Medical Category *E*  
 Recommendation S.M.B. *Pass unfit* Disability Rating *40% 3 honours*  
 Passed to Demobilization Officer with following documents—

N.F. P/36	B 268	B 121	N.F. Med	D.F. 1	1
B 178	W 3494	B 122	Board 1st	" 2	3
B 178a	D 400A	B 1915	do 2nd	" 3	
B 179	D 400B	Form L	do 3rd	" 4	
B 179a	D 400C	Form K	do 4th	" 5	
B 179b	B 103	ME 2		" 6	
B 179c	B 120	M 93			

Date *22-3-19* for *H. Mews* O. C. Discharge Depot.

PARTICULARS FOR DEMOBILIZATION

1. Civil Re-Establishment.  
 I am *not* in a position to resume civilian occupation.

*William Wasters*

Particulars passed to Vocational Officer for information and action.

Date *22-3-19* *R. Brooks Capt*

2. Clothing.  
 Certified that Clothing Regulations have been complied with—  
 (a) Clothing Allowance payable *Yes*  
 (b) Clothing Supplied *Yes*

Date *24-3-19*

**3. Transportation and Release Certificate.**

The above named has been provided with Travelling Warrant No. \_\_\_\_\_ to his home  
 at 14 Central St. H. Johns and Release Certificate No. 1647 issued.

Date 24-3-19 ..... *J.A. Snow*  
 Demobilization Officer

**4. Pay and Allowances.**

The herein named soldier's accounts have been correctly balanced and all matters in connection  
 therewith settled. He has received pay and allowances to 7-4-19

Date 24-3-19 ..... *J.A. Snow*  
 Depot Paymaster.

Discharge approved for 24-3-19 .....

Forwarded with following documents to O.C Discharge Depot.

N.F. P 36.....	B 268.....	1	B 121.....	N.F. Med.....	D.F. 1.....	1	<i>Form B.1!</i>
F 178.....	W 3494.....		B 122.....	Board 1st.....	" 2.....	1	
B 178a.....	D 400A.....	1	B 1915.....	do 2nd.....	" 3.....		
B 179.....	D 400B.....		Form L.....	do 3rd.....	" 4.....		
B 179a.....	D 400C.....		Form K.....	do 4th.....	" 5.....		
B 179b.....	B 103.....	1	ME 2.....		" 6.....		
B 179c.....	B 120.....		M 93.....				

Date 24-3-19 ..... *J.A. Snow*  
 Demobilization Officer.

**APPROVED.**

Documents as above forwarded to:—  
 Officer i/c Records.  
 Board of Pension Commissioners.

with following additional documents.

**Eligible for War Service Gratuity**

Date **MAR 24 1919** .....

*R.H. Sait Capt.*  
 O. C. Discharge Depot.

Received the above noted documents from O. C. Discharge Depot.

Date 24/3/1919 ..... *J.A. Snow*  
 Demobilization Officer.

C.R. 2797

Extract from ~~War Office Report~~ Daily Orders  
Part 11 Unit The Royal Nfld. Regt. St. John's, 11-2-19.

The undernoted returned from Overseas and reported to  
Depot 7-2-19.

Prisoner of War.

2797 Pte. Wm. Masters.

C.R. 2797

Extract from Memorial Roll of the Royal Field Artillery  
Embarked S.S. Corsican Jan. 30. 1919.

2797 Masters.

C.R. 2797

Extract of Casualties received from the Pay & Record  
London dated Dec. 30th 1918.

The undermentioned released Prisoner Of War reported at  
P & R.C. and proceeded on furlough 28/12/18--28/2/19.

2797 PTE. W.L. Masters

## NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



C.R. 2797

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I request that the following Telegram may be forwarded according to the foregoing Conditions, by which I agree to abide.

**(NOT TRANSMITTED)**

Signature of Sender \_\_\_\_\_

Address Dept of Militia

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check
	Dec 28th, 1918				

Dated

Dec 28th, 1918

To

James Masters, Hr. Buffett P.B.

~~Request~~ to inform you that Record Office, London,  
officially reports No. 2797, Private William L.  
Masters repatriated from Germany arrived at Ripon  
Camp Eng. and safely

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

Beane  
J.R. Buffett

Chge Dept of Militia

Minister of Militia.

**FOR TYPEWRITER**



C.R. 2797

Extract from Daily Orders part II, Depot ~~Sixth~~  
Winchester by Lieut. Col., B. J. Barton, D.S.O.  
Officer Commanding 2nd., Battalion of the Royal  
Newfoundland Regiment, dated 28-12-18.

The following having reported back from the 1st.,  
Battalion ~~is~~ is taken on the strength and  
posted to "H" Co., from 27/12/18.

#2797 Pte. W.L. Masters

C.R. 2797

Extract of Casualties from P & R.O. London dated Dec. 27/12/18.  
The undermentioned released Prisoner of War arrived at Ripon and  
was ordered to proceed to depot, Winchester, 27/12/18.

2797 PTE. Masters, W. L.)

Telegram from GSM. Butler, Ripon.

C.R. 2797

Extract from telegram from synoptical London,  
Dec. 27th, 1918.

Following released prisoner of war arrived Ripon.

2797 Masters.

C.R. 2797

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record Office,  
London, dated March 12, 1918.

#2797 Pte. W. Masters. ✓

Place of Capture. Monchy 14/4/17. Place of Detention  
Schneidemuhl from Denain.

C.R. 2797

Extract from Casualties.....List No. P.M. 355 Of 8.3.18.

No.	Name.	Rank.	Place & date of Capture.	Place of Detention
2797.	W. Masters.	Pte.	Monchy <del>14-4-17.</del> 14-4-17.	Schneidemuhl from Denain.

C.R. 2797

Extract of Casualties received from Pay & Record Office,  
London, dated January 19, 1918.

Change of address of the following prisoner of war has  
been notified to the N.W.C.A. by the Canadian Red Cross  
Society, 19/1/18.

#2797 Pte. W.H.Masters. ✓

Schneidemuhl, Posen.

PRISONER OF WAR.

2797 Pte. W. Masters ✓

C.R. 2306

Ext. of daily orders part 2 from G.H.Q.

3rd. Echelon, August 15th 1917.

Prisoner of War in German Hands, 14/4/17. Auth.

off. German Report forwarded by Geneva Red Cross.

Prev. "Struck off Strength" Missing, Ref.No.

22 C. 19/5/17.

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

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I request that the following Telegram may be forwarded according to the foregoing Conditions, by which I agree to abide.

(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender \_\_\_\_\_

*W. M. Squires*  
*James Masters*

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated July 20, 1917.

To Mr. James Masters,  
Harbor Buffett, P.B.

Have pleasure in informing you Record Office,  
London, today reports No. 2797, Private William L.  
Masters, prisoner of war at Limburg, Germany.

R.A. SQUIRES

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

FOR TYPEWRITER



## COPY OF TELEGRAM.

Dated

**May 13, 1917.**

To

**Mr. James Masters,****Harbor Buffett, P.B.**

Regret to inform you that the Record Office,

London, officially reports **No. 2797, Private****William L. Masters, missing April fourteenth.**

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

C.R. 2797

abstract of cablegram received from War & Record  
Office, London, dated May 13, 1917.

#2797 Pte. M.L. Masters, D.Co.,

Reported Missing April 14th.

C.R. 2797

Extract from Nominal Roll Draft (All Ranks) to 1st Bn.  
B.C.F. Embarked Southampton.

2797 Pte. W. Masters.

30-11-16.

C.R. 2797

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

2797 Pte. W.L. Masters.

Fold Here

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**ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE**

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

*Royal Nfld. Regt.*

*Dept. of Militia,*

*ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.*

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Fold Here



OCT 5

1921.

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

William L. Masters

in respect of his service as No. 2797 Rank Pte.

Name W.L. Masters Royal Nfld. Regt.  
~~Nfld. Forestry Corps~~

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received Badges.

Signature William L. Masters

Date 28. October

Address 55. Lower Pitt

[P.T.O.]

C.R. 2797

Extract from Nominal Roll of HFLA, Regt. Draft No. 14  
from 2nd Bu. Depot, to 1st Bn. B.E.F. Embarked South-  
ampton, 50-11-16.

2797 Pte. W. Masters.

C.R. 2797

Extract from Daily Orders Part II Unit The Royal  
Hfld. Regt. St. John's, April 8th, 1919.

The discharge of the undernoted on demobilisation  
has been CONFIRMED by Officer i/c Records from

2797 Pte. Wm. Masters

704019.



C.R.

2797

Extract from Daily Orders Part II Unit The Royal WFLA, Regt.  
St. John's, March 27th, 1919.

The discharge of the undernoted on demobilization has  
been APPROVED BY C.O. Discharge Depot on noted date.

2797 Pte. Wm. Masters.

24-3-19.



Veterans  
Affaires

Affaires des  
anciens combattants

*N/R C.K.K.*

DEATH NOTIFICATION — AVIS DE DÉCÈS

FILE NO — DOSSIER N°

*0857763*

NAME — NOM

*Masters William L*

SERVICE NO — MATRICULE

*2797 Royal Rifles W1*

DATE OF DEATH — DATE DU DÉCÈS

*28-1-80*

CPC NO — CCP N°

*2608099*

WWA — AAC. N°

PLACE OF DEATH — ENDROIT DU DÉCÈS

*N/R*

INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM — INFORMATION RECUE DE

*CPC 1052*

*D. Jordan*

FOR RECORDS MANAGER — POUR LE GESTIONNAIRE DE POSSIERS

*30.4.80*

DATE