



FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 2959 Name F. J. Simmons Corps 6/8

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your name? 1. Frank J. Simmons
2. What is your full Address? 2. Barrow
3. Are you a British Subject? 3. yes
4. What is your age? 4. 18 Years 1 Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? 5. farmer
6. Are you Married? 6. no
7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? } 7. no
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? } 8. yes
9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? } 9. 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? } 11. yes

FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR

I, Frank J. Simmons 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.

Frank J. Simmons SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
A. C. No. 1234 Signature of Witness.

E July 14/16

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Frank J. Simmons 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.....

on this 17 day of July 1916
Signature of Attesting Officer Chas. A. 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..... }
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 Frank Frederick Hayward Simms
 Apparent age 18 years 1 months. Height 5 feet 9 inches
 Chest Measurement { Girth when fully expanded 41 inches
 Range of expansion 5 1/2 inches
 Distinctive marks _____

INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RECRUIT

Name and Address of next of kin Mr. Frederick Simms
Burton, N.C. | Relationship father

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 _____									
Joined at _____ on _____									
Total Service forfeited as above.....									

Total Service towards Engagement to _____ (date of discharge) _____ years _____ days
 Pension " _____ [" "] _____ " _____ "

2959



FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 2959 Name F. F. St. Simons Corps 60th

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- 1. What is your name? 1. Frank Fred Hayward Simons
- 2. What is your full Address? 2. Burton
- 3. Are you a British Subject? 3. yes
- 4. What is your age? 4. 18 Years 1 Months
- 5. What is your Trade or Calling? 5. farmer
- 6. Are you Married? 6. no
- 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? 7. no
- 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? 8. yes
- 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? 9. 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? } 11. yes

I, Frank Fred St. Simons 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.

Frank Fred St. Simons SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

Ac. Holmes Signature of Witness.

July 14/16

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Frank Fred St. Simons 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.

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Chas. H. Aye Capt
Signature of Attesting Officer

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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 60th

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

Date 1916 } Approving Officer.
Place

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C.R. 2959

Extract from Nominal Roll of MFLD, Regt. Draft No.14
from 2nd Bn. Depot, to 1st Bn. B.E.F. Embarked Southamp-
ton, 30-11-16.

2959 Pte. F.Simms.


No. of Paper 1359

PERSONAL EFFECTS.

Name Quinn, J. H.

No. 2959 Rank Plt

Regiment R Newfoundland

Article	Where stored	Notified by
<p><u>1 Envelope -</u> <u>Containing</u> <u>Dice</u></p>		<p>SHIPPED TO NEWFOUNDLAND</p>
	<p>Final Disposal</p>	

Remarks: K.I.A. on D.O.W.

Next of Kin -
Fredk. Quinn
Burton

CR 2959

September 17, 1918.

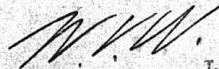
Mr. Frank H. Simms,
Burlin.

Dear Mr. Simms:-

I am writing to inform you that I am forwarding to you by "Register Post" one Envelope containing the effects of your son the late #2959 Pte. T.H. Simms of The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in your bereavement and in the renewed sorrow which the receipt of same must entail.

Yours faithfully,



Lieut.

CASUALTY OFFICER.

Encl 1.

C.F. 377

Sept 16th, 1918

Miss H.C. Simms
Kimberley Farm
Burin, North

Dear Miss Simms:-

A letter has been received by this Dept. through the Record Office, London, from No. 174 Corpl. A.P. Hartley, in answer to a letter which you sent him dated March 8th. Corpl. Hartley states:

"I have procured through the Red Cross Society, the following information from Berlin:-

'No. 2959, Pte. Frank.H. Simms found dead after the Battle of Cambrai, and his identification disc sent to Berlin 25th Jan., 1918. Buried at Seranvillers.'

"I should be obliged if you would forward this information to Miss Simms, with my deepest sympathy in her bereavement, and if she is yet in ignorance of his fate, it may comfort her to know that her brother was buried in a soldier's grave."

The above information was forwarded to you on April 5th by this Department, as you are doubtless aware.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Col.,

Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 2957

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

COPY.

Friedrichsfeld near Wesel,
Germany,

20th June 1918.

The Officer i/c Records,
R. Newfoundland Regt.,
58 Victoria Street, London.



Sir:

I have received a letter from Miss H.G. Simms, Kimberley Farm, Burin North, Newfoundland, dated 8th March 1918, asking me for information regarding her brother who was missing at 3rd December 1917. I have procured, thro' the Red Cross Society, the following information from Berlin.

No. 2959 Pte. Frank H. Simms found dead after the battle at Cambrai, and his identification disc sent to Berlin 25/1/18. Buried at Seraucvillers.

I should be obliged if you would forward this information to Miss Simms with my deepest sympathy in her bereavement, and if she is yet in ignorance of his fate it may comfort her to know that her brother was buried in a soldier's grave.

No. 2486 Pte. Herbert Belbin, buried at Dusseldorf Cemetery. I was told that he was held in great esteem by his comrades in captivity, who placed a large wreath on his grave.

I remain,
Your obedient Servant,

(Sd) 174 (CPL) ARTHUR P. HARTLEY.

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.



Cable Connection with all the World

All Messages Sent are Subject to the Following Conditions:

The Management may decline to forward the Message, though it has been received for transmission; but in case of so doing shall refund to the Sender the amount paid for its transmission.

In case the Message shall never reach its destination by reason of any neglect or default of the N. P. T. or its Servants whilst the Message remains under the control of the N. P. T., they will refund the amount paid by the Sender for such Message.

The N. P. T. shall not be liable to make compensation beyond the amount refunded as above for any loss, injury, or damage arising or resulting from the non-transmission or non-delivery of the Message, or delay or error in the transmission or delivery thereof, howsoever such transmission, non-delivery, delay, or error shall have occurred.

The control of the N. P. T. over the Message shall be deemed to have entirely ceased for the purposes of these Conditions at any point where, in the course of the transit of the Message to its destination, it may be entrusted by the N. P. T. (and the N. P. T. shall have full power so to entrust the Message) for further transmission by or through any system, service, or line of Telegraph belonging to or worked by any administration or authority not controlled by the N. P. T. exclusively, although worked as part of or in connection with the Telegraphic system or service of the N. P. T.

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.F.A.

Address **Dept of Militia.**

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated **April. 5th, 1918**

To **Frank H. Simms. Burin.**

Tegret to inform you that Record Office, London reports to-day that No. 2959, Private Frank H. Simms previously reported missing now reported killed in action buried at Seranvilles Cemetry, near Cambrai. Authority official German list forwarded through Geneva Red Cross Society. 14th march

J.R. Bennett

Acting Minister of Militia

NOTE FOR OPERATOR:

THIS MESSAGE IS NOT TO BE DELIVERED UNTIL RECEIVING OFFICE NOTIFIES THAT MESSAGE TO CHURCH OF ENGLAND MINISTER OR SCHOOL TEACHER, BURON HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 2959
Counter No.

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Signature of Sender *W.P.A.* Address **Dept of Militia**

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent	by	Check

Dated April 5th, 1918.
To Church of England Minister or School Teacher, Burin.

Regret to inform you that Record Office, London reports to-day No. 2959, Private Frank H. Simms, previously reported missing now reported killed in action buried at Seranvilles Cemetery near Cambrai. Authority official German list forwarded through Geneva Red Cross Society 14th March. Please inform next of kin.

J.R. Bennett

Acting Minister of Militia

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R. 2959

Extract from German Official List forwarded through
Geneva Red Cross 14-3-18

Previously reported "Missing" now reported "Killed in Action"
Cemetery
buried in the ~~at~~ Seranvilles.

#2959 Pte. F.H. Simms.

Missing 3-12-17

C.R. 2959

Counter No. _____

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender _____ Address _____

Line Number	Rcd	By	Sent by	Check

Dated Jan 1st, 1918

To Frank H. Simms, Burin

Regret to inform you that Record Office
London, officially reports

2959, Frank H. Simms, Pte. as missing Dec. 3rd.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

C.R.

2959

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

#2959 Pte. F. Simms. ✓

Missing 8/12/17.

C.R. 2959

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

PERSONNEL.

2959 Pte. Simms

Missing Dec. 31st. 1917.

C.R. 2959

Extract from Nominal Roll of Draft No. 27, embarked Southampton 22/7/17
from 2/1st Newfoundland Regiment Barry Camp, to 1/1st Newfoundland
Regiment B.E.F.

2959 Pte. Simms, F.F.H.

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(NOT TRANSMITTED)

Signature of Sender

Address

Line
Number

Rcd

By

Sent

by

Check

Dated

March 13, 1917.

To

Mr. Frank F. H. Simms,
Burin.

Regret to inform you that Record Office,
London, officially reports No. 2959, Private
Frank F. H. Simms, has been admitted to Wandsworth
suffering from pyrexia.

Upon receipt of further information I shall immediately wire you and trust that next report will be of his convalescence.

J. R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

FOR TYPEWRITER

CP. 2959

Extract from Casualties received from P. & R. Office London,
mar. 15th, 1914.

At Wandsworth.

2959 Pte. Simms.

Pyrexia.

C.R. 2959

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

2959 Pte. F. Simms.

30-11-16.

C.R. 2959

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

2959 Pte. F.F. Simms.

C.R. 2959

Frank. F.H Simms was attested for General Service
with the NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT on July.14th.1916..

Regimental No.2959 was allotted to Pte F.H.Simms

AUTHORITY:

Record Officer

Dept. of Militia,

March 25th, 1919.

A. Simms

C.R.

2959

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

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname Simms OR Christian Name F. Frederick H.

Table 1.—GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace:—Parish		County	
SPECIAL RESERVE.		REGULAR ARMY.	
Examined	on 14 day of July 1916	on	day of 191
	at St John's, N.S.	at	
Declared Age	28 years		years
Trade or Occupation	Farmer		days
Height	5 feet 9 inches		feet inches
Weight	146 lbs.		lbs.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded... 41 inches		inches
	Range of expansion... 5 1/2 inches		inches
Physical Development			
Vaccination Marks	Right	Left	Right
		Left 7 years.	
When Vaccinated			
Vision	R.E.—V= 6/6	R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V= 6/6	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)	Lammont Paterson		
(Rank)	Major		
	Medical Officer.		Medical Officer.
Enlisted	at St John's	at	
	on 14 day of July 1916	on	day of 191
	Corps.	Regtl. No.	Corps.
Joined on Enlistment	11 N.S.L.D. Regiment	2959	
Transferred to			
Became non-effective by			
	on	day of 191	on
(Signature)			
(Rank)			

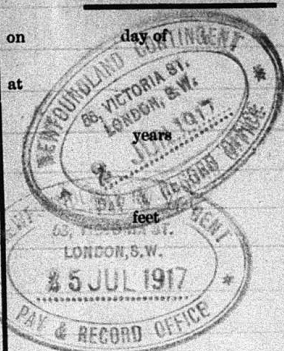


Table II.—Only for admission to hospital or to the sick

Name of Hospital.	Admitted to Hospital			Discharged from Hospital			Disease	Number Days in Hospital	Remarks bearing syphilis, admission of treatment
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year			
3 RD LONDON GENERAL HOSPITAL WANDSWORTH.	11	3	17	17	5	17	Influenza	67	

List in case of Warrant officers treated in quarters.

on the cause, nature or treatment of the case likely to be of interest or of future use. In cases of discharges and re-admissions to hospital will be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars of treatment out of hospital, transfers, &c., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.

Signature of Medical Officer

Reported Sick in France 24.2.17
with symptoms of headache & pains all
body & temp:
Furlough

G.C. Hall
Capt Rmt.

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

Date	Brief Details, and Signature
28-7-16	1 st Inoculation <i>T.P.</i> <i>LP</i>
3-8-16	2 nd " <i>LP</i>
9-8-16	3 rd " <i>LP</i>
30-8-16	Vacc. <i>LP</i>
13-11-16.	Fit. for Foreign Service. <i>N.W.</i>
12.6.17.	} <i>T.A.B.</i>
22.6.17.	} <i>2</i>

W. A. M. G.
 Capt. R.A.M.C.

TABLE IV.—SERVICE TABLE.

Station or Troopship	Date of Arrival or Embarkation	Date of Departure or Disembarkation.	Station or Troopship	Date of Arrival or Embarkation	Date of Departure or Disembarkation

Office Copy

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Army Form O. 1825.

PAY LIST

to

191 Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Regiment or corps ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

No. 2959

Rank

10

Name

Summs, J. J. A.

Died (a) Intestate

at France

on the

3 of Dec

1914

Deserted at

on the

of

191

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

Commanding Squadron, Troop,
Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

[Form 1.

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month	3	12	14
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to	9	2	8
	£ s. d.				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to			
	191				Messing allowance days at from to			
	"				Kit allowance			
	"				Amount produced by the sale of Effects from Form 2			
	"				Amount of Savings Bank balance, including interest (if no balance, to be so stated)			
	Consolidated stoppage				Deferred Pay or Gratuity			
	Balance due by the Paymaster	9	2	8	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	9	2		£	9	2

CHECKED.
P. J. A.

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TO	NO.	DATE
M. OF M.	1	20 JAN 1919
O.C. 1ST. BR.		
.. 2ND. BR.		

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT
58, VICTORIA ST.
LONDON, S.W. 1
15 JAN 1919

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the Debtor balance of £ 9 2 8 is correctly chargeable against the Public.

Dated at this day of

191

Paymaster.

- (a) Here state whether the soldier died intestate, or whether he left a Will. In the latter case the Will should be annexed hereto, if not already sent to War Office with Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.
- (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

DUPLICATE
MAIL COPY
Posted 23 AUG 1918



12812/447/R.&O.

O.A.

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

8th August, 8

September 16th, 1918

PRISONERS OF WAR.

Following letter dated 20/8/18 from 174 Cpl. A.P. Hartley, is quoted for your information and necessary action, please:

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No. 2486 Pte. Herbert Belbin, buried at Dusseldorf Cemetery. I was told that he was held in great esteem by his comrades in captivity, who placed a large wreath on his grave."

Kindly inform Miss H.G. Simms as requested by Cpl. Hartley. The information, however, as regards Pte. Simms, was furnished to you on 14/4/18, Casualty report 601 of 1918. An enquiry regarding Pte. Belbin's death was put through the War Office and the Geneva Red Cross Society immediately on receipt of the above letter.

The contents of this letter has been notified to the interested.

W. J. Readell

Minister of Militia.



Chief Paymaster & C. i/c Records.

HA/NV

M-8

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

N.F.P/33.

Temporary a/c.

Regtl No. 2959 rank *Private*

Name *Summs D.J.*

Pay	A. Allow	Working	Total
1-00	10		1-10
Less Allotment			50v
Net Rate			60

Date	DEBITS	£	s	d	CREDITS	£	s	d
1917	Balance / / 1				Balance 23 12/17	3	8	4
	<u>P.M. ADVANCES:</u>				<u>Pay & Net Rate:</u>			
	A.B. 84.				23/12/17 to 17/5/17 = ¹⁴⁶ days			
	Acquittance rolls				? = \$.60 ¹⁴⁶ \$87.60	18	0	0
	Hospital Advances	5	4	3	1/1 to 1/1 = days			
	<u>STOPPAGES:</u>				= \$			
	Hospital dys =	1	17	6	<u>Nation allowance</u>			
	Forfeited Pay dys				17/5/17 to 26/5/17 = 10 days	1	0	0
	Miscellaneous				? = \$	2	8	4
	Cables							
	<u>P.&R.O. PAYMENTS:</u>							
	Sundry Bills							
	Cash	7	1	9				
	<i>Cash 15/7/17</i>	15	0	0	<i>O.K. JEN</i>			

Missing 2959 Simms

Jan. 8th / 18

Newfoundland Post Record Office

BRANCH
68 Waterloo Street
London, E.C. 4, England

BY *h*
DATE 13/2/18

NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT POST RECORD OFFICE	
Ref. No. <i>1384</i>	9 FEB 1918
Ack'd. <i>h</i>	13/2/18
Ans'd.	
File No.	

Dear Sir:-

In case of non-delivery of any parcels addressed to my brother No. 2959.

~~No. 7, Fred St. Simms, B. Company
"Royal" Newfoundland Regt.,~~

who has been reported missing since Dec. 3rd / 17, kindly deliver same to -

No. 1927
Sergt. Ernest B. Lheereman
"Royal" Nfld. Regt., B. Co. 7,

or to any other members of the regiment.

Yours Truly.

(Miss) Helen G. Simms
Timberley Farm
Buxton (North)

Newfoundland

*to be ack'd.
and handed to
Piggott for keeps.
H.G.S.*

Simms, F.A.

2959

Hay sept.

PAY LIST.

DUPLICATE

Army Form O. 1625.

to MAIL COPY 191 Voucher No.

NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.

Posted ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Regiment or corps No. 2959 Rank Private Name Simms F.F.H.
 Died (a) Intestate at France on the 3rd of December 1917
 Deserted at on the of December 1917

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

Commanding Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Form 1.

Date	Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
	Balance Dr. last month				Balance Cr. last month ... 3/12/17	9	2	8
	Cash issues (Date of each issue to be stated)				Pay days at from to			
	£ s. d.				Proficiency, Service or good conduct pay days at from to			
	101				Messing allowance days at from to			
	"				Kit allowance			
	"							
	Consolidated stoppage							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	9	2	8	Balance due to the Paymaster			
	£	9	2	8	£	9	2	8

CHECKED.
P.S.A.
30 JAN 1919

This account is in accordance with advices received at the Pay & Record Office to 20/1/19 and may therefore be subject to amendments if and as may be revealed by subsequent advices.

I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the debtor balance of £ 9 2 8 is correctly chargeable against the Account.

Dated at this day of 15 JAN 1919

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINENTAL
 58, VICTORIA ST.
 LONDON, S.W. 1.
 15 JAN 1919

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE

(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 the RECORDS Office Army Form B. 2090 or Army Form O. 1815.
 (b) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

PAY LIST.

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ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

Regiment or corps

No. 2959

Rank

Private

Name

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Dated at

69, VICTORIA ST.
LONDON, S.W. 1.
15 JAN 1919

this day of 1917

1917

CHIEF PAYMASTER & Treasurer

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(2) Words in Italics to be struck out when there is no debtor balance.

ORIGINAL

Army Form O. 1625.

PAY LIST.

to

191 . Voucher No.**NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOUNT.**

Regiment or corps **ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.**
 No. **2959** Rank **Private** Name **Simms F.F.H**
 Died^(a) Intestate at **France** on the **3rd** of **December** 1917 .
 Deserted at on the of 191 .

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

{ Commanding Squadron, Troop,
 Battery or Company.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

[Form 1.]

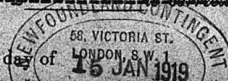
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	"				Kit allowance			
	"							
	Consolidated stoppage							
	Balance due by the Paymaster	9	2	8	Balance due to the Paymaster			
		£	9	2		£	9	2

CHECKED.
 P.P.A.
 20 JAN 1919

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I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the ~~debit balance of £~~ is ~~correctly chargeable against the~~ **NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT,**

Dated at this day of



191 .

CHIEF PAYMASTER & OFFICER IN CHARGE

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to

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 No. **2959** Rank **Private** Name **Simms F.F.H**

Died^(a) Intestate at **France** on the **3rd** of **December** 1917.

Deserted at _____ on the _____ of _____ 191 _____.

I Certify to the correctness of above in every particular.

(_____)
 Commanding Squadron, Troop,
 Battery or Company.

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	"				from _____ to _____				
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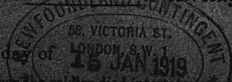
CHECKED.
 P.S.A.
 20 JAN 1919

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I hereby Certify that the above account is correct in every particular, and that the

~~debit balance of £~~ **NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT**

Dated at _____ this _____ day of **15 JAN 1919**



191 _____ CHIEF PAYMASTER

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October 16, 1919

Frank H. Simms,
Burin.

Dear Sir:

I enclose cheque for \$61.24
balance of estate of late Pte. F. F. H. Simms
due you as Administrator.

I also enclose herewith
Letters of Administration.

Yours truly,



PAYMASTER & O I/c Major
RECORDS

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA.
REGIMENTAL PAY BRANCH.

PAY VOUCHER.

\$ 61 ²⁴/₁₀₀

Oct 3 19 19

Received from the First Newfoundland Regiment
the sum of Sixty one ²⁴/₁₀₀ Dollars.
on account of Pay. Estab.
balance

Ch. No. <u>14290</u>	Initials. <u>EW</u>
Pay Ledger. <u>30</u>	Initials. <u>W</u>
Gen. Ledger.....	Initials.....

Regtl. No. _____ Rank _____

J. C. R.

No. 2959

Rank

Pl

Name

Y. H. Sumner

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

The Royal Nfld. Regt.

Dept. of Militia,

ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.



NO STAMP REQUIRED

Dept. of Militia,
St. John's.

..... August 26 1921

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
Memorial Plaque issued in respect of services of
the late No. 2959 Rank *Plt*

Name *Frank F. H. Simms*

Royal Newfoundland Regt.

Frank F. H. Simms (Sgd.)

Father Relationship.

Address: *Bwin (Kimberley Farm)*



1931

Fold Here

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

To the Officer in Charge of Records,

Royal Nfld. Regt.

Dept. of Militia,

ST. JOHN'S. Nfld.

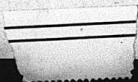


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Address

[P.T. 4]



SEP 23

1921.

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

are forwarded herewith to

Mr. Frank H. Simms (Father)

in respect of his service as No. 2959 Rank Pte.

Name Frank F.H. Simms Royal Nfld. Regt.
New Brunswick Corps.

Receipt of the same should be acknowledged hereon.

Received

both medals

Signature

Frank H. Simms

Date

Oct. 17/21.

Address

Burin (North) Nfld.

[P.T.O.]

Receipt for Army Book 64

No. *2959* Name *F. Simms*

To Certify that I have received the AB 64 of the above
named Soldier.

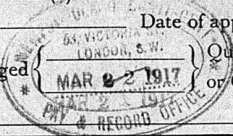
Name *F. H. Simms*

Date *Aug. 4/20*

Place *Kimberley Farm, Bunn.*

N.B. For completion and return to the Department of Militia
insert in corner of envelope "AB 64"

Regiment or Corps **2/1 Newfoundland Regt.**
 Rank **Plt** Surname **Simms** Christian Name **Frank** **2201**
 Religion **None** Age on Enlistment **18** years **1** months.
 Enlisted (a) **Self** Terms of Service (a) **Duration** Service reckons from (a) **14/7/16**
 Date of promotion to present rank _____ Date of appointment to lance rank _____
 Extended { _____ } Re-engaged { _____ } Qualification (b) _____
 _____ of Corps Trade and Rate _____
 Signature of Officer i/c Records _____



Date	Report From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c. during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 38, 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. 38, or other official documents
		Embarked S'hampton Embarked ...		30 NOV 1916	
		Disembarked Rouen Disembarked ...		1-DEC 1916	
	29 P.B.D. Unit-	Deposited 1 Days Pay Dep't of Lt. Long Joined Battalion	France	3/12/16	6870 47 R
			France	12/2/16	RA13
			WITH BATT. 28. I. IY		
	89 F.A. 34 C.C.	Ad. P.U.O. Adm. P.U.O.	France	24.2.17	E.A. 756.
			France	26/2/17	ED 746
	11 Stat. M "Gloucester b Co"	Ad. Myalgia Invalided to England	Rouen	1.5.17	H.A. 7204
				10.3.17	W 3083
			W. Marshall		CAPTAIN.

for Officer i/c No. 1 Regular Infantry Section
 General Headquarters, 3rd Echelon.

(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.

[P.T.O.]

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 1st Newfoundland.....
 Rank Private..... Surname Simms..... Christian Name Fred S. H......

Religion Church of England..... Age on Enlistment 18 years 1 months

Enlisted (a) at home 14/7/16 Terms of Service (a) Duration..... Service reckons from (a) date of enlistment

Date of promotion to present rank..... Date of appointment to lance rank.....

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

Occupation Farmer..... Signature of Officer. A. Bailey Capt.

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>Shampton</u>	<u>22.7.17</u>	
			Disembarked... <u>Rouen</u>	<u>24.7.17</u>	
			Joined Battalion <u>4</u>	<u>28 AUG 1917</u>	<u>B 213</u>
	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Subaltern</u>	Missing	<u>3 DEC 1917</u>	<u>B 213 9/12/17</u>
	<u>Simms</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.
 W. 11814-M1183 (room) 1/17 (2727) S P & Co, Ltd. Forms B.103/4 E.154. (P.T.O.)

Squadron, Troop, Battery and Company Conduct Sheet.

23 MAY 1917

Army Form B. 121.

W. P. Griffith & Sons Ltd., Printers, Old Bailey, E.C. 4.
 [686] W.017/2124 1000m 5/10m 03 58

Forms
B. 121.
89.

Regiment of

Newfoundland.

Number of Sheet

First

Signature of O. C. Company

John J. ...
Capt

Regimental Number and Name <i>2459 Simms J.</i>		Enlistment Age on <i>18</i> years <i>1</i> months		Trade <i>Farmer</i>	Good Conduct Badges, Service Pay or Proficiency Pay
Joined <i>Depot</i> Date <i>5/9/16</i>		Place and Date of Enlistment <i>Depot 14/7/16</i>		Religion <i>C of E.</i>	
Joined _____ Date _____		Period of { with Colours <i>1 1/2</i> years with Reserve <i>3 1/2</i> years.		Place of Birth <i>Burn</i>	
Joined _____ Date _____					

Place	Date of Offence	Rank	Cases of Drunkenness.	OFFENCE	Names of Witnesses	Punishment awarded	Date of award or of order disposing with trial	By whom awarded	REMARKS
<i>Barry Camp</i>	<i>12/7/17</i>	<i>Plt</i>		<i>Failing to report for service when warned</i>	<i>Sgt Butcher</i>	<i>168 hrs Detention</i>	<i>14/7/17</i>	<i>1st Lt. Whitaker</i>	<i>Killed</i>
				<i>Killed in action.</i>	<i>x</i>	<i>3 1/2 E</i>			

To be carried over

Army Form B. 121.

Department of Militia
St. John's.

C.R. 2959
Jan. 20th / 20

Dear Sir,

Kindly let me know if it would be possible to obtain a photo of my brother's grave. I thought now would be the most suitable time seeing that Capt. (Res.) Naylor is in France re-work of that kind.

Name & number as follows.

2959 Pl. 7. Fred A. Simms

Buried at Swanville Cemetery near
Cambrai.

Yours very truly
(Miss) Helen G. Simms
Beverly Bay Area
Beverly

C.R.

2959

Feb. 19th 1920

Miss Helen G. Simms
Burin Bay Arm

Dear Madam:-

With reference to your letter of Jan. 20th relative to a photograph of the grave of No. 2959 Private Fred H. Simms, I beg to inform you that your application will be forwarded to the Director General of Graves Registration and ~~Enquiries~~ Enquiries who will endeavour to comply with your request.

Herewith is a pamphlet by the D.G.G.R. & E. for your interest and information.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,
Chief Staff Officer

224/2959

Major T. Hangle, D.C.B. & S.,
C/o Office of the High
Commissioner for Newfoundland
58 Victoria Street
London, S.W.(1)

Feb. 20th 1920 xx

2959 Private Fred H. Simms

The sister of the above noted
deceased soldier has requested that
application be made for a photograph
of the grave of her brother. I should
be glad if you will give her case
attention and endeavour to comply with
the request.

Lieut.-Col

Chief Staff Officer
for Minister of Militia.

Department of Militia

MEMORANDUM

C.R. 2959
SUSPENSE CLEARED

No. 2959

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

To
 Major T. Nangle, D.G.R. & E.,
 C/o Office of the High
 Commissioner for Newfoundland
 58 Victoria Street
 London, S.W.(1)

Feb. 20th 1920

SUBJECT:

2959 Private Fred H. Simms

No. 113.

REPLY

Dated 23rd March 1920

Please return ORIGINAL and retain DUPLICATE

The sister of the above noted deceased soldier has requested that application be made for a photograph of the grave of her brother. I should be glad if you will give her case attention and endeavour to comply with the request.

W. F. Rendell
 Lieut.-Col

Chief Staff Officer
 for Minister of Militia.

Enclosed please find N.F.G.3 relating to the late 2959 Pte. F.H. Simms for transmission to his sister.

T. Nangle Major,
 D.G.R. & E.,
 Newfoundland Contingent.

No. _____

N.F.G./3.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT

Dept of Graves Registration & Enquiries,
58, Victoria Street,
London, S.W. 1.

23rd March, 1920.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Your application for the photograph of the grave of the late Pte. F.H. Simms, 2959, Royal Newfoundland Regt., has been forwarded to me by the Imperial War Graves Commission for necessary action. I beg to inform you that the request has been noted and will receive my personal attention.

It may not be possible to secure this photo for some little time, but you will receive a copy through the Dept of Militia, St. John's, Newfoundland, as soon as obtainable.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

P. Langh

Major,
D.G.R. & E.,
Newfoundland Contingent.

Helen G.

To: Miss Simms,

Ray Ann
?Burin, Newfoundland.

APRIL 24th 1920.

Miss Helen G. Simms,
Burin Bay Arm,
BURIN.

Dear Miss Simms,

I beg to forward herewith copy of letter received from Major T. Hangle, D.G.R.&E., having reference to your application for a photograph of the gravesite of your brother, the late 2959 Pte. F.H. Simms.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut. Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

C.R. 2959

May 31st 1920.

Frank H. Simms, Esq.,

BURIN.

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing herewith
Disc belonging to your late son #2959,
Pte. Frank F.H. Simms, Royal Newfound-
land Regiment.

Trusting the same will
reach you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

2/Lt.

CASUALTY OFFICER.

N.B.

Enquiry has been sent to LONDON
~~concerning~~ concerning the Grave Site.

Kimberly Farm

Berlin

July 9/20

Carnaby office

Dept. of Militia
St John's

Dear Sir

Re. Information asked for
by Lieut. Col. W. F. Rendell in Public
Press about various soldiers killed,
amongst the list appears #2954 Pte
Frank. A. Simons.

Might I ask if there is not a mistake
as I have received two discs, one on
~~Sept~~ Sept 17. 1918 and ~~had~~ second one on
~~May~~ May 31. 1920. I understood that the
second one was never removed
until it was replaced by headstone
or equivalent. Any information
you can give me on the subject
will be thankfully received by yours truly
~~of your~~ of your letters accompanying disc. F. H. Simons.

C.R. 2959

July 16th, 1920

F.H. Simms, Esq.,
"Kimberly Farm",
Buzin

Dear Sir:-

Your letter addressed to the Casualty Officer of July 9th has been duly received, with reference to the enquiry of this Department for information concerning certain members of the Regiment, of whom No. 2959 Pte. Frank H. Simms in one.

I might say that I sent in this enquiry to endeavour to find out some further particulars about the nature of death of soldiers referred to. You will note that my letter of Sept. 16th, 1918 states that certain information was procured through the Red Cross Society operating in Berlin. In the other cases concerning which the enquiry is now made, it has now come to notice that there was no German field dressing station at Sergevillers, and no trace of any burying ground can be found nor is such known to the regular inhabitants of that district. It is felt that the Germans had supplied false information; and the matter has been referred to the War Office for investigation. The War Office authorities and the Imperial War Graves Commission are making every endeavour to secure facts. Other regiments besides will be affected also by the ultimate result of the enquiries; and this Department will be endeavouring to find out full available facts concerning the treatment of prisoners by the Germans in that particular

July 16th, 1920

sector at that time; and I am hoping that some of the soldiers who fought in that section will be able to reply to my notice in the Press, and any information that comes to hand will be notified to you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

CR: 2959

COPY OF TELEGRAM TO NUMONGRAV BONDON DATED APRIL 1ST, 1921

With reference to your telegram of June 14th, 1920 dealing with reported burials of 2959 Simms and others, please inform as soon as possible result of War Office and IWGC investigations

10/14

C.R. 2959

July 7th, 1921

Mrs. Simms,
103 Military Road.

Dear Mrs. Simms:-

I am to-day in receipt of a telegram from London which states that neither the War Office nor the Imperial War Graves Commission have yet been able to trace the graves at Seranvillers, but they are still continuing enquiries.

Yours faithfully,

Lieut.-Col.,

Chief Staff Officer

~~103 Military Road~~