

Francis Michael Corbett

The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Regimental No. 5832

World War I

**Born:** 27 Nov 1899

Place of Birth: Clarke's Beach,

Newfoundland

Parents: Joseph and Bridget Corbett

Francis enlisted at St. John's Newfoundland on the 23<sup>rd of</sup> July 1918. His enlistment papers describe him as being nineteen (19) years old, 5 ft. 6 ¼ inches tall, 131 lbs with light brown hair and blue eyes. He is a labourer by trade and a Roman Catholic. He is single at the time.

## Service Record:

- 1. 23 0 07 18: Enlisted
- 2. 10 09 18 Special duty home defense at Cape Ray

- 3. 10-11-18: Returned to Headquarters
- 4. 08 11 19: Demobilized. Discharge Certificate No. 250

Francis served in uniform for a total of one hundred and seventy (170) days

After his discharge, Francis (who now goes by his second name Michael) is found as an entry in the 1935 Newfoundland General Census, making his home in Otterbury (Port de Grave District). He is now 39 and married to Mary who is 37.

The 1945 census finds the couple still in Otterbury. There are no children noted.

Michael died in November 1985 and Mary in 1987. They are buried in the Roman Catholic Cemetery at North River, Newfoundland.