



John Frederick Dawe
World War I
Royal Newfoundland Regiment
Regimental Service No. 5488

Born: 8th August 1897

Place of Birth: Coleys Point, Bay Roberts

Parents: Robert and Rebecca Dawe

John enlisted in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment at base St. John's on the 24th of May 1918. His documentation described him as 21 years old, 5 feet 3 ½ inches tall, weighing 143 lbs and a teacher by trade.

His service record covers a 14-month period, one year and 69 days to be precise.

The following entries are taken directly from his official service papers:

1. Embarked St. John's on the S.S. Columbella for Halifax, Canada on the 22nd of July 1918
2. Promoted to Lance Corporal on the 21st of November 1918

3. Back to Newfoundland for demobilization on 24th of June 1919
4. Arrived Newfoundland the 1st of July 1919
5. Demobilized on the 3rd of August 1919 according to discharged certificate No. 3478

The 1921 census records Johns' parents Robert and Rebecca living at Coleys Point with two sons, Harvey and Albert. There is no mention/record of John.

Subsequent census dates of 1935 and 1945 show no record of John anywhere in Newfoundland.

There is a headstone bearing the name John Dawe 1894 – 1965 located on Bell Island at the United Church Cemetery. It may be L/Cpl John Dawe but doubtful.