

state, in consequence of which a unanimous resolution was passed and submitted to Government, recommending "permanent relief" to the Doctor. Dr. R.'s case being injury received while in the discharge of his duty, is precisely the same as that of an officer in the army—a pension was undeniably his right. May I, therefore, trust you will give Dr. Rees's case your serious consideration and favourable support.

I remain,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

FRS. ARNOLDI, M. D

Toronto, May 8, 1860.

Certificate of Dr. DELMAGE, Staff Surgeon, (to the Executive Government),—Toronto, March 21st, 1851.

DEAR SIR,

I have perused with attention the papers mentioned in your note of yesterday, concluding from their contents, and the conversation which I have had with you on the present state of your health, I hesitate not declaring it as my opinion, that the nature of the injuries which you have received, while in the discharge of your public duties, as Superintendent of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum of this place, were most severe, and the results now most serious, in all probability likely to be permanent. I therefore consider you are justly and fitly entitled to a sufficient or permanent remuneration in consequence; and, were an officer of our army to have suffered such, under similar circumstances, I feel quite confident a life-pension would be granted to him.

Believe me, dear Sir,

Very truly yours,

C. C. J. DELMAGE, M.D.,
Staff Surgeon.

Certificate of F. BADGLEY, M. D.

TORONTO, 5th March, 1851

SIR,

In accordance with your request, that I would furnish you in writing with my opinion (for the information of the Executive Government), as to your "present state of health, and your fitness for resuming general Medical practice," I beg to state that, after the minute examination to which I subjected you on a recent occasion, I consider your health to be such that no Life Insurance Company would undertake a risk upon your life, in consequence of the injury sustained by you, in the course of your duties at the Asylum, in 1845, by the hands of the man Dempsy.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. BADGLEY, M. D

Extract from the Report of Select Committee of the House of Assembly on Petition of Dr Rees, May, 1846.

SELECT COMMITTEE IN SESSION OF 1846: Messrs. W. B. Robinson, *Chairman* George McDonell, William H. Boulton, Robert Christie, Et. Taché.

With regard to that portion of the petition praying compensation for injuries received from the unfortunate and irresponsible class of our fellow-beings under his charge, while discharging his duties, this your Committee apprehend can no more be denied to him (the petitioner) than to a soldier wounded in the service of his country.

In the case of the petitioner, notwithstanding the previous misunderstanding between the Board of Commissioners and himself on the occurrence of these accidents, a most strict and careful examination and investigation was gone into by the Commissioners, as proved by the minutes of their proceedings, they were satisfied, as your Committee are, by the medical certificates produced by the petitioner therefrom, and unanimously concurred in