

Appointment of Pensions and Disabilities Board

(1) By virtue of a Resolution unanimously adopted at the General Meeting of the Patriotic Association of Newfoundland on September 26th, 1916, an additional Committee of the Association to be styled the Pensions and Disabilities Board—is formed in terms of the suggestions formulated by the Finance Committee as set forth in Annexure "A" and by the Standing Committee, as set forth in Annexure "B"

2. The duty of the Board is to safeguard the interest of all invalided sailors of the Royal Naval Reserve of Newfoundland and soldiers of the Newfoundland Regiment discharged from active service on account of wounds or illness incurred on active service, and to facilitate their return to civilian pursuits.

3. The Committee is designated the "Pensions and Disabilities Board" and is required to furnish interim reports from time to time for the general meetings of the Association and a recapitulation of their work for submission, in connection with the report of the Association, to the General Assembly when in session, pending legislation on the subject.

4. A Fund shall be placed at the disposal of the Board by the Finance Committee, P.A., from monies furnished to the Finance Committee by the Government of the Colony out of the General Revenue, such fund being styled the "First Newfoundland Regiment Account."

The Board is hereby authorized to apply such fund for the benefit

of sailors discharged from the Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland) as well as for soldiers discharged from any levies raised for active service in connection with the Newfoundland Regiment or attached therefrom to the Imperial service.

5. The Accounts of the Board shall be examined and controlled by the Auditor General and made subject to such rules as may be laid down by him for the guidance of the Board.

6. The Board may make rules to govern the administration of the Fund and may employ paid officers for such administration.

The Board shall report all material principles underlying their administration of the Fund for approval by the Association; and it shall be competent to the Association at its General Meeting to review or modify these standing instructions to the Committee.

7. The following gentlemen are hereby appointed the original members of the Board:

1. Hon. P. T. McGrath, Chairman
2. Hon. M. P. Cashin.
3. Hon. M. G. Winter
4. Fleet Paymaster G.A.E. Wyllys, R.N., (H.M.S. Briton)
5. Capt. G. Carty (1st Newfoundland Regiment)
6. Chas. P. Ayre, Esq.
7. J. A. Clift, Esq., K.C., M.H.A.
8. H. E. Cowan, Esq.
9. R. F. Horwood, Esq.
10. R. A. Templeman, Esq.

The Board will appoint its own Secretary.

It shall be competent to the Board to nominate a Sub-Committee from the Medical Profession to advise the Board on medical matters.

8. The Board shall have power to accept resignations, to fill vacancies by co-opting new members or to enlarge the membership of the Board.