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(K. K. K.) you have no claim against the Government for payment of those fees.

18th May.

I have, &c.
(Signed,) D. DALY.

W. REES, Esquire.

We, the undersigned, Members of the Corporation of the City of Toronto, having been acquainted with Dr. Rees as a professional man for many years, and having witnessed the talent and zeal which he has manifested in the conduct and management of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum in this City, during the many years which he has been engaged in the medical superintendence of that Institution, most respectfully recommend him to the favorable consideration of His Excellency the Governor General.

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City Hall,
Toronto, 13th March, 1846.

Montreal, 6th May, 1846.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of yesterday has just been handed to me, and I have but a few minutes previous to leaving for Toronto to answer it. In reply to your inquiries respecting Dr. Rees, I beg leave to state, as follows:

Many years ago being then, as now, Sheriff of the Home District, and finding in the Gaol of that District several insane persons, whose deplorable cases could not have that attention which they required, and having at that time a seat in the Upper Canada House of Assembly, I brought forward a measure for their relief.

Subsequently the Government authorized the old Gaol at Toronto to be used as a Temporary Asylum, and appointed Dr. Rees to Superintend the Medical Department. Under the difficulties of establishing an Institution for the relief of patients of this descrip-

tion Dr. Rees labored unceasingly, and from the returns to the Legislature, and the reports of several Grand Juries and medical practitioners, most successfully.

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In apportioning the scale of remuneration to be paid to this officer, the Commissioners intended to be guided by the Statute and recommend that the Medical Superintendent should have £300 per annum, and so informed him; but as the temporary building afforded no accommodation for a residence for the Medical Superintendent, which the Statute contemplated in the new Asylum, he requested to have the amount of his salary settled by the Government; and to our regret it was fixed as low as £200 per annum.

In consequence of having thrown open the advantages of the Asylum to persons from whom a sum equal to the expense of supporting them was demanded, and thereby throwing upon the Medical Superintendent a duty not contemplated, as his services were supposed to be engaged for pauper patients only, a scale of fees small in amount individually, but of importance to the Superintendent in the aggregate, was allowed; and the sums so charged were for a short time collected and paid to the Medical Superintendent, but the difficulties arising in collecting such charges compelled the Commissioners to abandon the charge for medical aid,—and the Superintendent was informed that an effort would be made to remunerate him for the loss of those fees.

In the management of the Asylum, the Commissioners felt that the responsibility was too great for one person to bear, and they frequently recommended the appointment of a consulting Physician to assist in the medical department of the Asylum. Had this recommendation been granted, I have little doubt but that Dr. Rees would now be in the discharge of the duties from which he has been lately relieved. Misunderstandings arose between the Superintendent and the Commissioners, which to the regret of the latter ended in his removal, and they unanimously joined in a Memorial for some remuneration to Dr. Rees for the loss of his situation and for injuries which he had received from contusions and blows from the Patients.

In conclusion I beg to state that Dr. Rees' labors have been unceasing; that his success, (judging from the Returns made to the Legislature, from the Reports of medical men who have visited the Asylum, and from the satisfaction expressed by several Members of the Upper Canada Legislature who have had an opportunity of witnessing the benefits resulting from the Institution,) has been under all the circumstances great.

I remain, dear Sir,
In great haste,
Truly yours,
W. B. JARVIS.

GEO. DUGGAN, Esquire, M. P.