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December 29, 1919.

Sir,-

In reply to your letter of the 10th, B.P.C. 6958, I beg to say that I have given this matter careful consideration both previous and subsequent to the receipt of your letter. The Agent has reported that Mrs. Prosper will give no reason for desiring the balance standing to her credit, simply saying that it belongs to her and that she is entitled to it.

While this is theoretically correct, the Department is not disposed to act upon it, feeling that by carrying out the Agent's recommendation that \$50.00 or \$75.00 be sent her now, which amount will probably be sufficient to carry her over the winter months, her interests will be better served. At any time, when she wishes to show that this money will be put to legitimate uses, the Department will be only too glad to forward her the balance due, but until she does so, I am inclined to carry out the Agent's recommendation.

The cheque for \$75.00 is going forward to her today. The balance of her credit will be held until such time as the Department feels that she will dispose of it to advantage.

Part of the pension for the child will be retained.

Your obedient servant,

John W. Keenan
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

The Secretary,
Board of Pension Commissioners,
Ottawa.

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