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Ottawa, August 3rd., 1916.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 29th. ultimo, regarding Mrs. Mary Ann Sky, I beg to say that information which is merely considered reliable will not be sufficient for presentation to the Department of Militia and Defence.

In order to obtain separation allowance, it will be necessary to prove that the husband is incapable, owing to illness, or to the accident mentioned in your letter, of earning his living. If it can be shown that he cannot support his wife, through no fault of his own, then it might be possible to secure the allowance, though in most cases if the husband is living, it is not paid.

Will you kindly inquire into the matter personally, put what information you can secure in the form of a statutory declaration, which should be supported by your certificate as to its correctness.

It is desirable to have this matter closed as soon as possible, and I shall be glad to have your report immediately.

Your obedient servant,



Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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