

Ottawa, October 13th, 1926.

Lt.-Gen. Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,
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Lieut. Gordon P. Heinekey

Dear Sir Arthur:

Colonel Belton, Chairman of the Board is presently absent from Ottawa attending sittings of the Board in Nova Scotia and has forwarded to me your letter of September 28th with instructions that I look into the matter on his behalf and advise you as to how it stands.

I note that under date of October 9th, 1926 the Chairman of the Board of Pension Commissioners wrote to you giving you the facts of the case and there is really nothing that I can add to his explanation.

Pensions are awarded in accordance with a definite scale covering, so far as possible, all disabling conditions. As the Chairman of the Board of Pension Commissioners has pointed out Mr. Heinekey is receiving pension at the rate of 35 per cent in respect of anklyosis of the left knee with shortening of the limb and muscle atrophy. He has apparently not been examined, however, since 1921 at which time his pension was made permanent. If it could be shown that the condition of his leg is worse now than it was at the time the award was made no doubt his pension would be increased. Perhaps your correspondent, Rev. A.W.R. Ashley, could arrange to have Mr. Heinekey re-examined by some local physician of standing whose report could be forwarded to the Board of Pension Commissioners with a request that the case be reviewed with a view to an increase in the amount of pension.