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WOUND PENSION OR GRATUITY.

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NAME (TO BE WRITTEN IN) THORNTON FRANCIS JOSEPH (Surname) (Christian Names)							
Present Address. 88 PHIBSBORO'RP DUBLINI							
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Signed Francis Lounton Col

Address 88 Philsboro Ro Duble

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Signed Francis J. Thownton Col. Address ...88 Phibsboro! .. Rd. .. Dublin .. (ex-Officer or ex-Soldier)

Signed* James F. Dalton.

Address ... 12 Wicklow St., Dublin.

Qualification P. C.

Date 16th Oct., 124.

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE,

ARMY PENSIONS DEPARTMENT,

34, Molesworth Street,

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ADJUTANT GENERAL.

An application for a Wound Pension has been received in respect of which details are given on the attached form.

In order to enable the Minister of Defence to decide whether the claim is sustainable under the Army Pensions Act 1923, will you kindly certify:-

- (1) Date on which the applicant was discharged as medically unfit from the Forces.
- (2) Rank in the Forces.
- (3) That the wound or injury in respect of which he was discharged was received on active service in the course of duty and was not due to any serious negligence or misconduct on his part.

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31st Oct.

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Adjutant General.

In reference to my telephone conversation of to-day relating to the case of Colonel Francis Thornton, it is very desirable that the Certificate in this case should be prepared and forwarded to the Director Medical Services with the least possible delay.

I shall be obliged if you will kindly arrange accordingly and advise this Department when the Certificate has been forwarded to the Pensions Medical Board.

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34 MOLESWORTH STREET,

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31st Oct. 192

Director Medical Services.

A claim for wound pension or gratuity has been received from Colonel Francis Thornton. The Adjutant General has been requested to furnish the usual certificate and relative papers to you at the earliest possible moment. When this reaches you I shall be glad if you will arrange for the medical examination and forward the result to this Department at the earliest opportunity as it is particularly desirable to have this claim dealt with as promptly as possible.

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OFFICE OF ADJUTANT GENERAL,

Ref. No. A/13693

General Headquarters,

Parkgate,

D U B L I N.

1st November, 1924.

Department of Defence,
Army Pensions Department,
34, Molesworth Street.

Francis J. Thornton, 88, Phibsboro' Road, Dublin.

Reference your No. 4/P/989 of the 23rd ultimo in the case of the above-mentioned; I certify:-

- 1. That applicant was discharged from the Forces as "Medically Unfit" on 29/3/24.
- 2. That he was a Colonel in the National Army.
- 3. That the wounds in respect of which he was discharged were received on active service, in the course of duty, and were not due to any serious negligence or misconduct on his part.

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The Adjutant General. G. H. Q., Dublin. OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE. General Headquarters. Parkgate,



CLAIM: - FRANK THORNTON, 88, PHIBSBORO' ROAD, DUBLIN.

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your A/13693. of the 1st instant, and to state that ex-Colonel Frank Thornton was ambushed at Mockler's Bridge, about 25 miles north-east of Clonmel, on the 21st August, 1922. He was in a Ford car at the time, and was accompanied by a Sergt. B. Murphy and a Private (name unknown). . The Irregulars succeeded in seriously wounding ex-Col. Thornton and killing the Private mentioned. The Ford car was then burned by the Irregulars and Sergt. Murphy taken prisoner.

On the information being conveyed to Clonmel troops proceeded to the scene of the ambush and found ex-Colonel Thornton lying wounded on the roadside. He was at the time Command I.O. for the 2nd Southern Division, and was travelling on duty.

This Department is not aware that any negligence or wilful misconduct on his part contributed towards his injuries. Claimant was for a considerable time in hospital as the result of his injuries.

I have the honour to be. Sir.

Your obedient servant.

DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE.

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My Ref: A/13693.

OFFICE OF ADJUTANT GENERAL?

General Headquarters,

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DUBLIN.

6th November.

1924.

Secretary,
Army Pensions Dept.,
34 Molesworth Street,
DUBLIN.



Subject: - Francis Thornton, Dublin.

Your No. 4/p/589 of the 31st ultimo in the case of above-mentioned, I am to inform you that all papers in this case together with the ADJUTANT GENERAL's Certificate were forwarded to the Pensions Medical Board on the 3rd instant.

Lieutenant

for: ADJUTANT

GENERAL.

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE,

ARMY PENSIONS DEPARTMENT,

34 Molesworth Street, Dublin.

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MINISTRY OF FINANCE	DE.
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REPLY.

Ministry of Finance.

No award has been made.
No application received by Ministry of Finance or by Compensation (Personal Injuries) Committee.

CS. Almond
16 December 1924.

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ARMY PENSIONS MEDICAL BOARD ST. BRICIN'S HOSPITAL,

DUBLIN 24th November, 1924.

Director of Medical Services, General Headquarters, PARKGATE.

Sir,

I return herewith file in connection with 4/P/989 - Colonel Frances Thornton, 88 Phibsboro' Road, Dublin. Colonel Thornton was requested to report for Medical Board on the 11th, and the 22nd instant, and has failed to do so, or give any reason.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient Servant,

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PRESIDENT, ARMY PENSIONS MEDICAL BOARD.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL SERVICE,

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS,

PARKGATE,

DUBLIN, 25th November 1924.



Secretary,
Army Pensions Department,
34 Molesworth Street,
D U B L I N.

4/P/989. COL. FRANCIS THORNTON.

Returned. President, Pensions Medical Board reports claimant was requested to attend on the 11th and 22nd instant and has failed to do so or give any reason.

Colonel, A.M.S.
DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL SERVICES.

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(Ministry of Defence)

34, Molesworth Stellath
(Dublin),

5th December, 1924

Army Finance Officer,

The case of Colonel F.J. Thornton was considered at to-day's meeting of the Army Pensions Board, and the result is shown on the accompanying Form A.P.19.

In deference to a request from the Minister's private secretary I enclose the complete file in this case together with the papers relating to Mr. Dan Breen's claim. Mr. O'Hegarty desires that these files s hould be submitted to the Minister with the award form.

I would like to add for your information that the Board which dealt with Thornton's claim included Comdt. McKinney, Comdt. Maguire and Surgeon Keegan; that the Board realised the desirability of a careful and exhaustive study of the medical report before coming to/decision, and that the recommendation of 20% pension for the period 29/3/20 to 31/3/25 with a medical re-examination on the 1st March, 1925, represents their considered decision.

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Please have this done.

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Comdt. McKinney.

Please see attached copy of letter which has been sent to Colonel Francis J. Thornton, in connection with his claim for wound pension.

Colonel Thornton's claim was assessed at £40 per annum on the report of the Pensions Medical Board. The Minister for Defence, however, considers the assessment rather low in view of the number of wounds received by claimant, and he is desirous that claimant be examined by the Panel Surgeon who will be present at the meeting of the Board on Friday next.

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Francis J. Thornton Esqr., 88. Phibeboro Road, Dublin.

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In connection with your claim for wound pension under the Army Pensions Act. 1923. I am directed to ask you if you could see your way to make arrangements to be present at a meeting of the Army Pensions Board which will be held on Friday next at 11 a.m. at St. Bricin's Hospital.

Your claim is coming forward for consideration, and the Board would be very glad if you could find it convenient to be present.

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(Ministry of Defence)

34, Molesworth St
BAILE ATHA CLIATH
(Dublin),

16th December, 1924.

Deputy Army Finance Officer,

Colonel Francis Thornton's claim was considered by the Army Pensions Board at a meeting held on the 5th inst., when the Board recommended payment of a pension of £40 per annum from the 29/3/24 to 31/3/25, with a medical re-examination on the 1/3/25.

On that occasion the Board gave careful consideration to this particular case, and decided that 20% represents the maximum award for the extent of the claimant's disability.

In accordance with the Army Finance Officer's instructions the case was brought up for further consideration at to-day's meeting of the Army Pensions Board at which claimant was present. Colonel Thornton was examined by Surgeon Keegan, Comdt. Maguire and Comdt. Doyle. After full consideration they were unanimous in upholding the previous decision of the Army Medical Board as to the percentage of disability, namely 20%. Army Pensions Board consider claimant's condition as final. Accordingly the recommendation going forward to the Minister for Defence is for payment of a pension of £40 per annum, which they now make final.

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Reference No. 4. 1. 1989



Expiry of current Award.

MEDICAL REPORT ON AN EX-SOLDIER CLAIMING DISABILITY IN RESPECT OF SERVICE.

Army No.

Name THORNTON. Francis 9

Rank Colonel

Unit and Corps Department of General Staff. Age last birthday 33

Date of entry into Service

Date of discharge from Service 27/3/24

Former trade or occupation Nil.

Home Address 88. Philoboro'Roas. bublin

NOTE: The foregoing particulars are to be filled in before the man presents himself before the Board.

Statement of Case by the Medical Board.

1. State concisely the essential facts of the history of each disability recorded in the man's Medical History, and other relevant official documents, giving (a) date and place of origin of the disability, and other relevant particulars of the history; to these may be added (b) any supplementary details given by the man himself; when such details are from the man's own statements only, this will be clearly indicated.

(1) Ambushed at Redmond's Town, near Clonmel, on 21st Aug.1922, and Wounded.

Treated immediately by Comdt.0 Connor, A.M.C.,
Admitted to Clonmel Hospital - detained until
Nov.1922; transferred to Mater Hospital (treated by Surg. Barniville) discharged from the
Mater last week in Feb.1923 - main wound still
open, - sent on two months leave and reported
for duty 1st May 1923.

Admitted to St. Bricin's Hospital (same wounds)
October 1923 - Dec. 24th 1923. October 1923 - Dec. 24th 1923. Re-admitted same wounds end of February 1924 until 19th March 1924.

2. Was an operation performed? If so, when, and what was its nature?

(1) Clonmel Mil. Hosp. on admission - removal of bullets.

(2) St. Bricin's Oct.1923, Removal of f.b's

Dec. 1923, March 1924,

3. If an operation was advised and declined, was the refusal unreasonable?

No refusal.

Opinion of the Medical Board.

NOTES :-

1. Clear and definite answers are to be filled in by the Board, as in the event of a man suffering from a disability it is essential that the Pensions Board should be in possession of full and accurate information to enable them to decide upon the man's claim to pension.

Expressions such as "may," "might," "probably," etc., are to be avoided.

- 2. A report is to be made on any disability claimed. If it is found not to exist, this should be made clear. If it exists but it is not considered to be connected with any form of military service, it should be reported on as fully as if it were connected with service. The words "no disability "should never be used as equivalent to "no disability connected with Service."
- 4. State precisely the nature of the , wound or injury.

G.S.Wounds.

- 5. (1) Give the diagnosis and particulars of any disability claimed or discovered (1), (2), (3), etc.
- (1) G.S.W. left Gluteal Region.

(2)

(2) G.S.W. Rt. arm.

(3)

- (3) G.S.W. Rt. leg. (4) G.S.W. Left Arm.
- 6. The present condition thereof, giving-

(i.) Symptoms and physical signs.

(ii.) Effect of disability on function.

(1)(i)C/o: unable to walk quickly, shooting pains around wound, extreme tenderness over wound.

ENTRY wounds- 2 in L. Gluteal region, separated ENTRY wounds - 2 in L. Gluteal region, separated by 4" one over Grt. Trochanter; 2nd to inner side G.T., both healed, not tender or adherent.

EXIT & oper.wound - depressed scar 4½" x 2½", over the 4th & 5th L. and 1st S. vert., slightly adherent and tender. Some irregularity of bone neath scar. Movement of hip, knee and ankle normal. Pain c/o on external rotation of hip L. (ii) Pain, tenderness & stiffness in old fracture of Sacrum.

(3) R. lower limb - scar 1" x 1" in centre of R. calf; normal. 2nd scars on immer side of thigh, 3" above knee joint (2 small scars), and small scar 22" below and int. to G.T. on R. side 2" x 2" normal. Movements of hip, knee and ankle O.K.

(ii) No disability.

(2) Right Arm - linear scar 2" along inner border forearm, 3" below elbow

(normal)

(ii) No disability.

(4) Left Arm - scar l"x 1" at lower end Humerus 12" above elbow joint poster-

iorly (N.)

(ii) No disability.

C.N.S:- K.J's. brisk. Plantar, brisk, flexor. pupils O.K. Abdome & Cremasleri.

7. Disability or disabilities in reflexes O.K. No Romberg. Heart rate 100 Pr Min.

respect of which the claim regular. 1st sound shorter than N., both sounds for compensation should be rearry alike in length. (I) to Cualify. (1) G.S.W. L. Gluteal region. per para 5. (If no disability (2) (3) & (4) Nil. exists, enter NIL).

8. State whether each disability (as per para. 5) is attributable to

> Wound. Injury.

(1), (2), (3) & (4) Wounds.

9. If there is evidence that any disability was due to serious None. negligence or miscondact on the part of the man, such evidence will be recorded here. 10. Is the disability in a final stationary condition? Yes. If not-How long is the present degree N. A. of disablement likely to last? 11. At what period will the Board N. A. require a further Examination? 12. Does the man require further treatment? Is further treat-No. ment likely to benefit the condition? 13. Will the patient require local medical attendance? If so, No. how many attendances per week will be necessary? 14. In the case of an amputated limb the following particulars N.A. will be entered-(1) Limb affected. (2) Site of amputation. (3) Measurement of stump as the defined in first schedule of the Act. (4) How long is stump soundly healed? (5) Is patient fitted with an artificial limb? Old X-Ray plates -589 (Oct.1923) and 1019 (Mar.1924) show Metallic f.b's. at L.sade 15. Report of X-Ray examination. Diagram or radiograph to be attached. of Sacral promontory & near L. tuber is chii. Irregularity of sacrum otherwise hips & pelvis normal. 16. Report of oculist, dentist, path-Surgeon(Cdt.Burke) 1/12/24 ologist, or other specialist uis. G.S.W. Lumbar region. Adher report indicated. Due to service. Final. No t ensions Co 17. Does the claimant's disability require any Surgical appliance? No.

If so, state what appliance is

needed.

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- 18. In the case of a nerve injury, the following particulars will be required:—
 - (1) Nerve involved.
 - (2) Muscles affected.
 - (3) Area of loss of sensation-
 - (i.) to pinprick.
 - (ii.) to cotton wool.
 - (4) Reaction to faradism.
 - (5) Reaction to galvanism.
 - (6) Is R.D. present?

Indicate on charts (and attach) where possible the site and extent of the injury.

N.A.

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ASSESSMENT.

19. What is the degree of disablement at which, in the Board's opinion, he should be assessed, independent of any allowances, or future treatment?

(Degree of disablement should be expressed in the following percentages:—

100, 90, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, less than 20, or Nil.)

Assessment to be stated in words as well as in figures.

20% (Twenty) Final.

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To/

Secretary

23-4 Dec 1924

Re your file number H. P. 989; in the case
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Dully note
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and have on this date opened an Account under Ref.No.
7/25, in this Jlaimant's name. The
Claimant was notified to-day of the award made to hun
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Your file is returned herewith.

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Est. No. # 125 ZARMY PENSIONS ACTS DISABILITY Kances residing at..... week per annum has been granted under the Army Pensions to whom an award of £ Acts have hereto dixed my signature this and ay of as evidence that Lam living and in acknowledgment of the receipt from the Minister for Defence of the sum of Swe pounds my Pension for being month ended the last day payment Signature This Warrant is exempt from Stamp Duty. This amount may be claimed through any Bank in the country or abroad, but the form must be presented by a

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to whom an award of £ : per annum has been granted under the Army Pensions Acts have hereto affixed my signature this day of 195
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Signature 4/19/989
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DISABILITY PENSIONS

Establishment No. A125	4/8/989
CAUTION Any person wilfully making	a false declaration is liable to prosecution
1, Francis 9. Thornton	do solemnly and sincerely declare
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= WAR VAS	
195	
	And I further declare that all the statements I have
Signed in my presence by the declarant (whom I believ to be the grantee named in the declaration)	made above are true and correct, and that my place of
	residence is now
this 195	
at	
Signature of Attestor	
Qualification	Signature of Pensioner
(See back of Form) Official Address or	
Place of Business	
Establishment No. A 125. THIS PORTION MUS	T NOT BE DETACHED)
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being payment of my Dension for the month ended the la	st day of 1958 195
5.15.	Signature
(This Warrant is exempt from Stamp Duty).	of Pensioner

Slight manuscript alterations, in either the Declaration or Receipt, will be accepted if initialled—in the Declaration by the Person attesting, in the Receipt by the Payee.

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payment at the Office of the Minister for Defence, Dublin.

The Minister for Defence accepts no responsibility for any advance of money made against this voucher in anticipation of its acceptance in the Department of Defence and payment at the Office of the Minister for Defence.

The Persons before whom the Declaration of Pensioners may be Subscribed are as below

(The qualification which entitles them to attest should be stated fully on the form of attestation).

(1) In The Republic of Ireland.

OFFICERS appointed to examine vouchers for non-effective payments in the offices of the Minister for Finance, the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, and the Minister for Defence.

POSTMASTERS and POSTMISTRESSES actually in charge of Post Offices. (The name of the Post Office is to be given on the form of attestation).

PRINCIPAL TEACHERS of NATIONAL and SECONDARY SCHOOLS. (The name of the School is to be given on the form of attestation).

SECRETARIES of FRIENDLY SOCIETIES registered under the Friendly Societies Acts. (The Registered number of the Society is to be given on the form of attestation).

DISTRICT JUSTICES and PEACE COMMISSIONERS. Any of the persons mentioned in paragraph (2) below.

(2) In the British Commonwealth of Nations.

MAGISTRATES.

COMMISSIONERS FOR OATHS.

MINISTERS OF RELIGION habitually officiating at a place of worship within 10 miles of the place where the pensioner resides for the time being. (The denomination and the address of the place of worship to be given.)

PHYSICIANS or SURGEONS registered as such under the law of the country and regularly

practising within 10 miles of the place where the pensioner resides for the time being.

MANAGERS, SECRETARIES, CHIEF CASHIERS, and ACCOUNTANTS of Banks registered under the law of the country, and other officials of such Banks who are authorised by their Banks to sign documents on their behalf, and officials of such Banks for the time being in charge of Branch Banks. (The qualification of the official and the name of the Bank or Branch Bank are to be given on the form of attestation).

ACTUARIES and SECRETARIES of Savings Banks registered under Act of Parliament. POLICE OFFICERS in actual charge of the nearest Police Station to the place where the pensioner resides for the time being.

(3) In other Countries.

DIPLOMATIC or CONSULAR OFFICERS of the Republic of Ireland or of Britain empowered by law to administer oaths.

NOTARIES PUBLIC and other persons competent by the law of the country to administer such declarations. (The law must be quoted sufficiently for verification).

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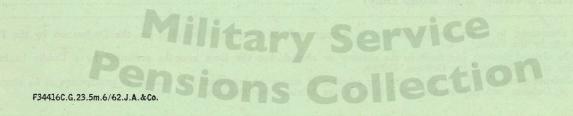
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A Chairde,

Re: Francis J. Thornton, late of 115 St. Helen's Rd., Booterstown, Co. Dublin.

With reference to your letter of 13th ultimo relative to the above-named, I am directed by An tAire Cosanta to state that, assuming the date of death to be 23rd September, 1965 the balance of pension which is due under the Military Service and Army Pensions Acts to the estate of the deceased amounts to £44.10.11d. The balance will be paid, subject to any deductions which may be necessary in respect of income tax, etc. to the legal personal representative of the deceased on production at this office of Probate of Will.

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I am to acknowledge receipt of the pension warrant for £9.8.4d. for September 1965.

Mise, le meas,

RÚNAÍ.

Seán Ó hUadaigh 7 a Mhac, Aturnaethe, Sráid Dásoin 51, Atha Cliath.