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PENSIONS.

AIREACHT CHOSANTA
(MINISTRY OF DEFENCE).OIFIG AIRM AIRGID
(ARMY FINANCE OFFICE).

Register Number	From whom, number, and date	Officer or Soldier
P.B. 3/10/11 76		Name <u>BROWN. MARTIN</u> Rank <u>PRIVATE</u> Unit <u>SIGNALLING</u> Army No. Date of Death..... Address <u>PLEASANT. HILL CASTLEBAR</u> <u>COUNTY. MAYO</u> Date of Discharge <u>24th MAY 1923</u>

Referred to	Date	Referred to	Date	Referred to	Date	Referred to	Date	Referred to	Date	Referred to	Date
Mr. Cleary	9/11	Regy	16/11	B. J. MC	1/2/26	Mr. Cleary	1/2/26	Regy	4/2	B. J. MC	1/5
Mr. P. Murphy	5/3/26	Regy	12/13	Mr. P. Murphy	20 ³ / ₂₆	Regy	23/3	Mr. P. Murphy	17/6	Regy	21 ⁶ / ₆
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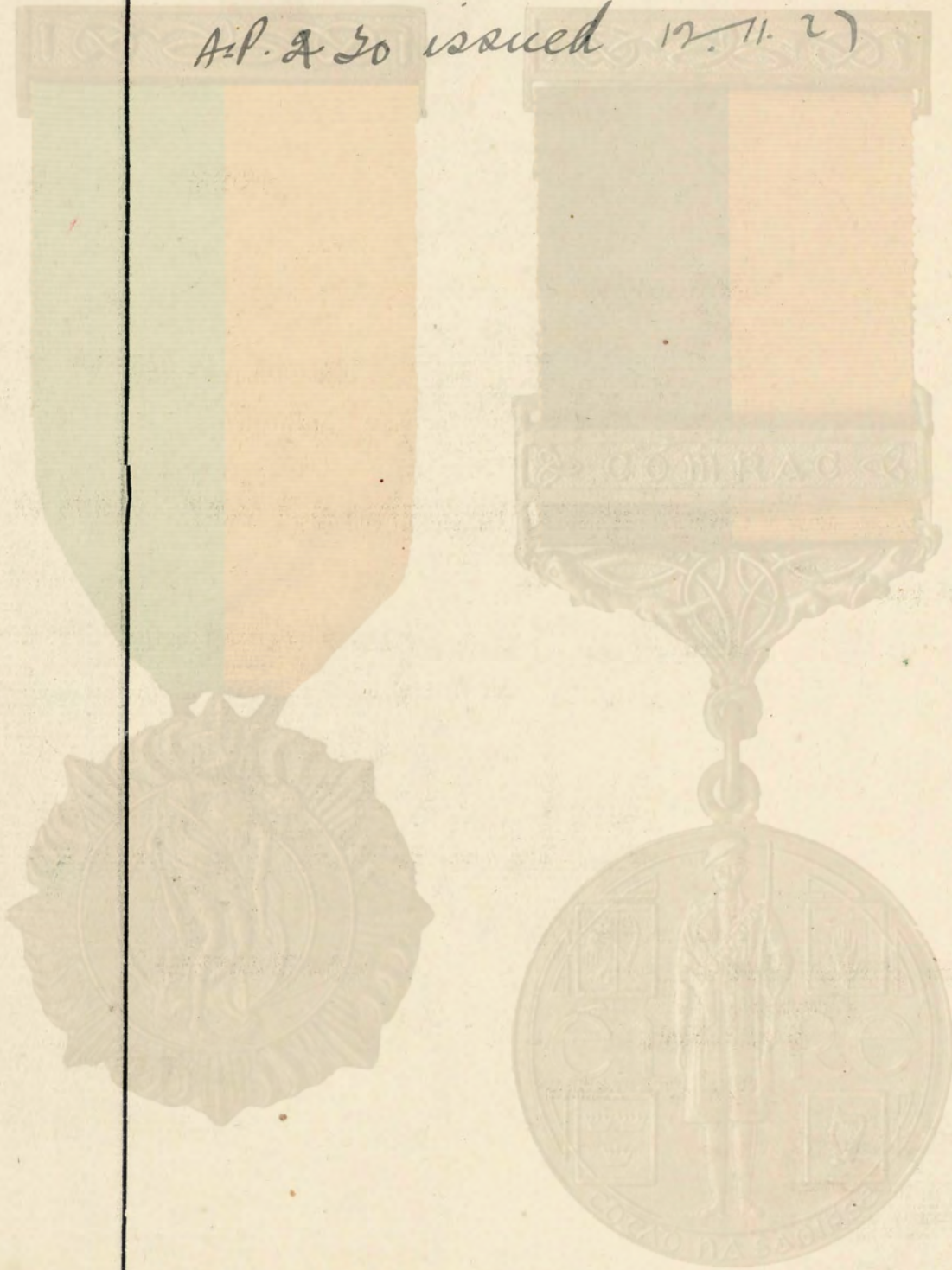
M.S.B.
(Arguist).

Reference.....

1
Letter from Mrs. Browne 3/3/26

2
Letter to Mrs. Browne. 9/3

A.P. & Co issued 17. 11. 27



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Ref. No. B/P. 1176



AN ROINN COSANTA
(Department of Defence)

OIFIG AIRGID ~~XXXXXX~~
(Army Finance Office)

BRAINNSE PINSEAN AN AIRM
(Army Pensions Branch)

BEARAIC UÍ GHRÍOBHTHA
(Griffith Barracks)

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.
(Dublin)

17 August 1928.

A CHARA,

ARMY PENSIONS ACTS, 1923 and 1927.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that your claim under the above Acts has been duly investigated. The Minister regrets that for the following reasons no award can be made to you.

Your son's death was due to disease not attributable to service.

Mise, le meas,

Mr. Martin Brown,
Pleasant Hill,
Castlebar,
CO. CO. MAYO.

(Signature)
a.s. Runaidhe

(Signature)
S.P. 676 500 6-28 R.C.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE.

REPORT ON A CLAIM FOR AN ALLOWANCE OR GRATUITY.Ref. No. 3/P/1176

To the Army Pensions Board.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to transmit the accompanying claim for investigation and report in accordance with Section 7 of the Army Pensions Act, 1927, and the Regulations made thereunder. The report should take the form of replies to the questions set out herewith.

*J. Horgan*Date. 31 JAN 1928Claim of Brown Mrs MaryDerryleaCastlebarMayoin respect of the death of sonMartin BrownDate. 31 JAN 1928Ref. No. 30/APB/80

To the Minister for Defence.

The following members of the Army Pensions Board attended:—

Mr. P. Hughes,Doctor C. Dickson,Major T. McKinney.

The report of the Board on application for allowance or gratuity in respect of the death of

the latePrivate Martin Brown, N.A.

is as follows:—

(Where the findings of the Board are not unanimous, separate reports signed by the individual members of the Board should be furnished).

Signed Reuben Phelps
Chairman of the Board.Date. 31/7/1928

1. What was the cause of the death of the person in respect of whom the claim is made?

Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

2. From what disability or disabilities did deceased suffer?

Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

3. Was death due solely to such disability or disabilities, and was such attributable to service? If death was due to more than one disability, it should be so specified.

Death due solely to disability.

Disability not attributable to service.

4. If so due, specify as regards the following Forces:—

- (a) the Irish Volunteers, or
- (b) the Irish Citizen Army, 1916, or
- (c) the National Army.

N.A.

N.A.

in each case under 2, the date or period when, in the opinion of the Board, the disability which was the cause of death was incurred.

5. Were any of the disabilities under 2 due to any serious negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased person?

N.A.

6. In case there are more disabilities than one, as set out in question 2, was death solely to wound or to disease, having regard to the provisions of Section 14 (9) and 15 (6) of the Army Pensions Act, 1927.

N.A.

7. Were there any special circumstances connected with this case which the Board consider should be taken into consideration by the Minister?

No.

"The Board having considered this case found that death was due to disease not attributable to service in the National Army, and therefore recommend that no award be made".

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ARMY PENSIONS BOARD,
ST. BRICIN'S HOSPITAL,

Ref. No. 30/A.P.D/80.

DUBLIN: 22nd May. 1928.

Army Finance Officer.

I am directed by the Army Pensions Board to
request that you will kindly state if an application
for dependents' allowance was received from

Mrs. Mary Brown.
of Dunglea. Castlebar. Co. Mayo.

in respect of her deceased son.
the late Private Martin Brown. Nos:- 3134 and
22189. Army Signal Corps. Home address on
discharge:- Pleasant Hill, Castlebar.
and if so, the result of the application.

The Secty.
Army Pensions Board.
St. Brice's Hospital

Application received
and referred.

John Henry

RECEIVED

D. J. Russell.

for A.P.D.
22/5/28

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30/APB/80

ROINN COSANTA.

Brainnse an Ard-Chongantora,

GEATA NA PAIRCE,

BAILE ATHA CLIATH.

17 Bealtaine, 1928.

Secretary,
Army Pensions Board.

Army Pensions Acts, 1923-27. Mrs Mary Brown,
Derrylea, Castlebar, (Martin Brown Decd)

With reference to your A.P. ^{29 a}_{30 a} :-

1. The deceased was a member of the National Army.
2. He was attested on 23/5/22 and discharged "on termination of service" on 25/5/23. He held the rank of Private.
3. The deceased served in a very disturbed area and during a period when trying conditions were frequently encountered. He saw a good deal of active service and would necessarily have been subjected to exposure. He does not however, appear to have received any medical treatment whilst serving, neither did he notice his health failing until some two years after his discharge. I am not in a position to offer a recommendation under this heading.
4. There is no evidence of misconduct or negligence.

No medical documents are available. File
returned.

M. J. Quinn MAJOR GENERAL.

ADJUTANT GENERAL.

MR.

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REF : A.D/389/15.

HEADQUARTERS,

Athlone Military District,
Custume Barracks,
ATHLONE.

12th May, 1928.

Officer i/c Administrative Section,
Dept., of Defence,
Parkgate, DUBLIN.

Martin Brown (deceased) - Dependent's Claim.

Sir,

I have the honour to return A.P. 2.
relative to above case duly completed, please.

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

Francis Davis

Adjutant Athlone Military District. Commandant

Encl..

/MM.

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Ref. 30/APB/80



A.P. 2.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE.

ARMY PENSIONS ACTS, 1923 AND 1927.

Verification of a Claim made by an Applicant for ~~Disability Pension~~
or Dependents' Allowance under the Provisions of the
Army Pensions Acts, 1923 and 1927.

Name and Address of person making claim, *Mrs Mary Brown*

Derrylea Castlebar Co Mayo

Particulars of the person in respect of whom the claim is made:—

Army No. *—*

Rank *Private*

Name in full *Martin Brown*

Unit and Corps *Signal Corps*

NOTES:

The person replying to the queries in the schedule overleaf is requested to do so in as clear and concise a manner as the bringing out of salient points will permit.

In cases where information, not asked for in the schedule, is considered to be material to the case, it should be given at the end thereof, in the space provided for the purpose.

The person completing this schedule will enter his name and address at the end.

QUESTION.

ANSWER.

1 Was deceased/applicant a member of the ~~Citizen Army, Irish Volunteers and/or National Army~~ ? If so, state—

Rank

Unit

Duration of Service

Area in which he served

2 Was he on duty when the circumstances arose which brought about his ~~dis-~~ ability/death? If so, state—

(a) the nature of the duty

(b) when and where did the disability occur... ..

(c) the nature and cause of disability...

(d) give the name and address of his Commanding Officer at the time of the occurrence

(e) was he medically treated at the time of the occurrence

(f) the name and address of the Medical Officer or Medical Practitioner by whom he was treated

(g) the names and addresses of persons who can corroborate

(h) the names of serving members of the Defence Forces or Garda who may be acquainted with the circumstances of this case

3 Did the deceased/applicant enjoy good health prior to service in the ~~Citizen Army, Irish Volunteers and/or National Army~~

4 Did he receive any *medical treatment:

(a) prior to joining the ~~Citizen Army, Irish Volunteers and/or National Army~~

(b) during his service in any of those cadres and prior to contracting the disability complained of

1 *Yes*

Private

Signal Coy.

not known

Western

2 *not known*

(a) *not known*

(b)

(c)

(d) *Lt. Col. James Sheeran*

Longford

(e) *not known*

(f)

(g)

Christopher Cleary

Mill Street

Ennis Killen

(h)

3 *Not known*

4 (a)

(b)

*NOTE.—Give dates of treatment in all cases and the names and addresses of the Medical Officer or Medical practitioner by whom treated, and the ailment for which treated.

QUESTION.

ANSWER.

- 5 What was the nature and period of ^{deceased} applicant's civil employment ...
- 6 Give the names and addresses of the persons by whom he was employed ...
- 7 At what date and for what reason did the deceased/applicant sever his connection with the Volunteers ...
- 8 Was deceased's death/applicant's disability due to—
 (a) natural causes ...
 (b) serious negligence or misconduct on his part ...
 (c) other causes not connected with army service ...
- 9 Did deceased/applicant serve in any other organisation or armed force ...
 If so state—
 (a) name of the force ...
 (b) duration of service ...
 (c) disability pension awarded in respect of such service ...
 (d) the amount of pension and by whom paid ...
 (e) the nature of the disability for which paid ...
- 10 Is the applicant the person legally entitled to make a claim in this case ..
- 11 To what extent, if any, did deceased contribute to the support of the applicant ...
- 12 During what period was applicant dependent on deceased ...
- 13 What is the present financial position of the applicant ...
- 14 Has any compensation been awarded to applicant in respect of his disability/deceased's death ...
 If so state—
 (a) from whom received ...
 (b) amount received ...

5. *Not known*
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- (a).
- (b).
- (c).
- 9.
- (a).
- (b).
- (c).
- (d).
- (e).
10. *Not known*
- 11.
- 12.
- 13.
- 14.
- (a).
- (b).

Additional information relevant to the case should be given here:

15. What were the conditions ¹⁵ Deceased received
under which deceased pay @ 3/6 per diem
served re. Food Clothing with food accomodation
accomodation and Duty He was employed
as a Visual Signaller
+ Spent some time in
the West During the fight
with the Irregulars

I have no knowledge as to the circumstances
under which Deceased contracted the Disease
but I am aware that he was on active
Service for a considerable period with a
column during operations in the West
and was liable to exposure & continuous duty.

Signature ^{3/028} Andrew Nolan bpl

Address in full ^{2nd Inf B attalion}
^{Wastbetar}

Date ^{May 8th} 1928

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Killoe.

Longford.

8-5-28.



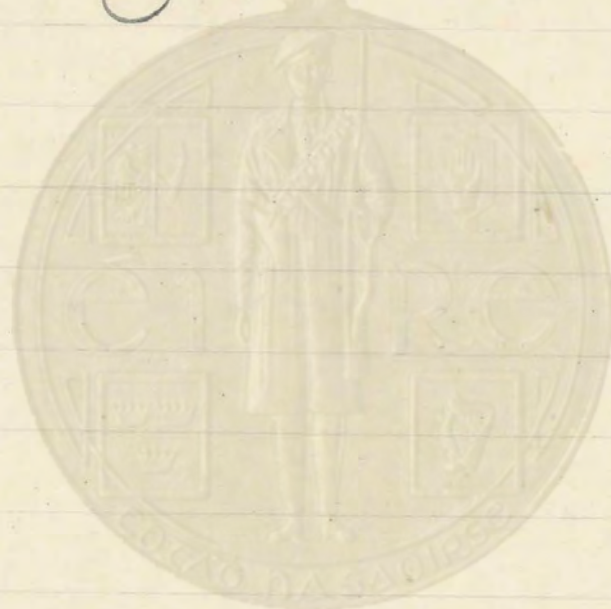
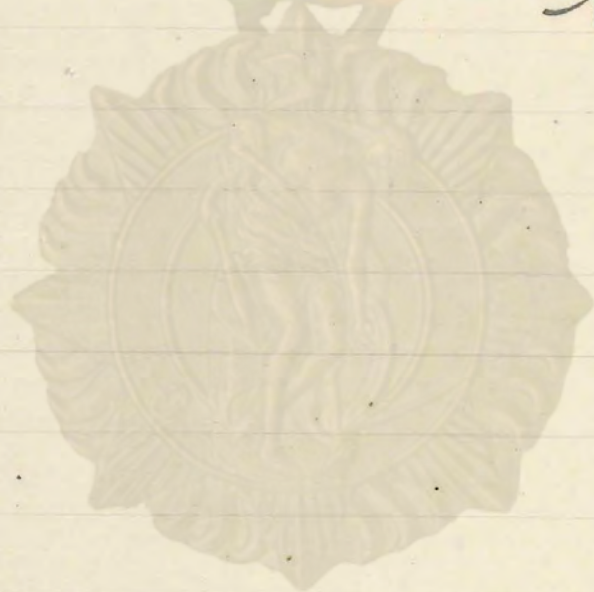
To. Adj. Gen.

Re enclosed I am sorry to state that I am unable to place Martin Brown (deceased) and therefore cannot give you any assistance in the matter.

I beg to remain

Yrs. Respectfully

Jas. Sheeran.



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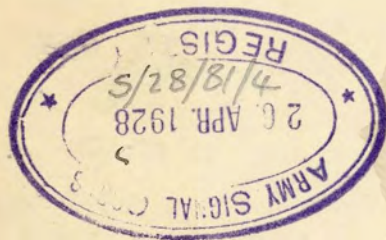
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(Argumite).

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Army Signal
Corps



I shall be glad if any
information you have concerning
applicant. Are you aware
of the conditions under which he
served in the Army.

25
4/21

Samuel MacGee's Major
Re Administration

A.G. Sir

There is no record that this man
was served in the D.S.C.

(5826) Wt. 3645.25,000.1/27.N.W.P.&P.Co.,Ltd.
(2406) Wt. 1471.40,000.7/27.N.W.P.&P.Co.,Ltd.

26.4.28

L. J. J. J. J.
D.S.C.

My Reference *30/A.P.B./80*

A.P.F. 1.



Your Reference *760/1393/391*

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S BRANCH,

PARKGATE, DUBLIN.

22nd March 192*8*

OFFICER I/c *Roads*

The following particulars are required in respect of No. *3134*

Rank *Private* Name *BROWN Martin (Deed.)*

Address *Derrylea Castlebar*

who is an applicant for an award under the Army Pensions Act, 1927:—

Whose Mother

(a) Date of Attestation *23rd May 1922*

(b) Date of Discharge *25th May 1923*

(c) Rank held at the time of discharge *Private*

(d) Circumstances under which applicant was discharged

Discharged in consequence of Termination of Service

Please attach copy of Medical History Sheet and copy of Discharge Medical Board proceedings if such are in your possession. If such are not in your

possession, please indicate accordingly *Medical Documents not in my possession*

Army No. 22189.

Home address on Discharge:

Pheasant Hill

Castlebar.

J. J. Kelly Capt. for Major.
Officer i/c. Administrative Section.

ADJUTANT GENERAL.

18th April 192*8*

I certify that the particulars given above are correct.

AG 9-28
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AN GARDA SIOCHANA.

Any reply to this communication
should be addressed to
The Commissioner,
Garda Siochana,
Dublin.
and the following number quoted:—

A. 69/88/28.
Different matters should be made
to form the subject of separate com-
munications.

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BAILE ATHA CLIATH.

29th February, 1928.

The Secretary,
Army Pensions Board,
St. Brice's Hospital,
DUBLIN.

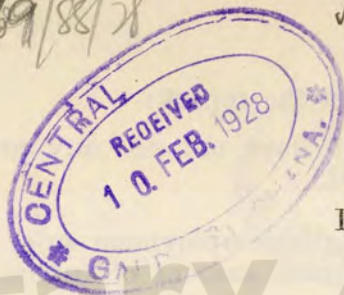
I am directed by the Commissioner to return
herewith the attached Army Pensions Form which
contains a report in connection with the application
of Mrs. Mary Brown, Derrylea, Castlebar for an
allowance or gratuity in respect of the death of Pte.
Martin Brown.

Liam O'Muiris
LEAS COIMISINEIR.

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A.P. 16.

ROINN NA B'PINSEAN AIRM
(Army Pensions ~~Department~~)
~~BOARD~~

AIREACHT CHOSANTA
(Ministry of Defence),

~~24 MOLEWORTH STREET,~~
~~ST BRICIN'S HOSPITAL,~~
BAILE ATHA CLIATH
(DUBLIN).

~~Number 1728~~
~~(Phone)~~

Uimhir Thagarta...
(Reference No.)

30/apr/30

9th February 1928

ARMY PENSIONS ACTS 1923 & 1927

DEPENDANT'S ALLOWANCE OR GRATUITY.

Commissioner, Garda Siochana.
~~Chief Commissioner, D.M.P.~~

An application for an allowance
a gratuity under the Army Pensions Acts 1923^{& 1927} in respect
of the death of Martin Brown

.....
(NAME). Private
(RANK).

National Forces,
in the Irish Volunteers, has been received from
Irish Citizen Army (1916)

Mrs Mary Brown Derry Lea Castlebar
(NAME). (ADDRESS).

Ballyheane
(NEAREST POLICE STATION).

The applicant claims to have been wholly
partially dependent upon the deceased at
the date of his death on 23rd January, 1926.

I am to request that you will kindly have local inquiries made and if necessary
cause the applicant to be interrogated and have a report furnished to me, for the
information of the Minister of Defence, as to the *occupation* and *general financial*
condition of the applicant and as to the degree of the applicant's dependency on the
deceased at the date of his death.

It will be of great assistance to the Minister if the Guard or Constable making
the report will *definitely* express the opinion he has formed as to whether the
applicant was wholly or partially dependent on the deceased.

John Brown
Secretary,
Army Pensions ~~Department~~
~~BOARD~~

N.B.—Particular mention should be made in the report :

- (1) Whether the applicant is known to have enjoyed any private income prior to the death of the deceased.
- (2) Whether the applicant held any regular employment prior to the death of the deceased and the approximate amount of applicant's earnings thereby.
- (3) Where the applicant is brother or sister to deceased, whether the applicant is permanently invalided and thereby prevented from earning.
- (4) Where the applicant is father to the deceased and under 60 years of age, whether he is incapacitated by ill-health.
- (5) Is claimant in possession of a holding?
- (6) If so, please state size and P.L. Valuation.
- (7) Has claimant any other children living?
- (8) If so, what are their ages and occupation?
- (9) What are their earnings?
- (10) Do they contribute to the upkeep of claimant?
- (11) What was the occupation of Deceased before joining National Army?
- (12) What were his wages and contributions to claimant?

*to Chief Supt.
Castletown.*



For necessary replies on page 3, and your attention is directed to last two paragraphs overleaf, please.

Tram Ó Murchada

14-2-28.

Head Commission



Supt. Castletown.

Transmitted for necessary enquiry and report please on separate paper.

H. W. Munt
for Chief Supt on Enquiry

Sergt J. Ballyhoane,

For report please on separate paper.

H. W. Munt
17/2/28.

REPORT.



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I respectfully report as follows :-

- (1) The applicant had no private income prior to the death of deceased.
- (2) The applicant held no regular employment prior to the death of deceased.
- (3) The applicant is mother of the deceased, is permanently invalided and is thereby prevented from earning.
- (4) The applicant is deceased's mother and about 68 years of age
- (5) The claimant is in possession of a small farm.
- (6) The farm contains about 15 acres of bad land with a P.L.V. of £3-5-0.
- (7) The claimant has four children, three boys and one girl.
- (8) The age of the girl is about 25 years, The oldest boy about 20 years, the next boy is 19 years and the youngest 17 yrs. The oldest boy is working on the mother's farm. The second boy is in the employment of Mr. W. Gibbons, Castlebar, as a yardman, and the youngest boy is in ill health and unable to do any heavy work. The girl is employed doing the house work for her mother.
- (9) The boy employed in Castlebar is earning £1 per week.
- (10) The children do not contribute to the upkeep of claimant except what the eldest is eaking out of a small bad farm.
- (11) The deceased was employed by Mr. W. Gibbons, Castlebar before as a carter before joining the National Army
- (12) Deceased was earning £2-12-6 per week and it is believed he was giving most of his earnings to the upkeep of claimant.

[Signature] Supt. for
C/Supt. on Inspn.

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DR. J. G. THORNTON,

T.M.O.

ELLISON STREET,

Dispensaries:

Ballina, Mondays, 11 to 1.
Swinford, Tuesdays, 11 to 1.
Castlebar, Wednesdays, 11 to 1.
Westport, 1st & 3rd Thursdays
Claremorris, 2nd & 4th Thursdays
in each month, 11 to 1.
Ballinrobe, 1st Friday in each month
10 to 12.

Other Dispensaries by arrangement
with Local Doctors.

Castlebar,

26/1/28 192

This is to certify that
Joshua Brown was
attended by me for
Pulmonary TB &
that his death was
due to his disease

J. G. Thornton
L.R.C.P.S.I.

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REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS IN IRELAND.

CERTIFIED COPY OF ENTRY IN THE REGISTER BOOK OF DEATHS DEPOSITED IN THE SUPERINTENDENT REGISTRAR'S OFFICE.—(See Endorsement).

1.926 DEATHS Registered in the District of Castlebar in the Union of Castlebar in the County of Mayo

No. (1.)	Date and Place of Death. (2.)	Name and Surname. (3.)	Sex. (4.)	Condition. (5.)	Age last Birthday. (6.)	Rank, Profession, or Occupation. (7.)	Certified Cause of Death and Duration of Illness. (8.)	Signature, Qualification, and Residence of Informant. (9.)	When Registered. (10.)	Signature of Registrar. (11.)
52	1926 Twenty Third January Pleasant Hill Castlebar	Martin Browne	M	Single	27 Years	Domestic Class	Pulmonary Tuberculosis no medical attendant	Nora Browne Sister present at death Pleasant Hill	Twelfth January 1926	H. Morley Asst Registrar.

I hereby Certify that the foregoing is a true Copy of the Entry No. 52 in the Register Book of Deaths of the above District deposited in my Office.

Office, Castlebar

Date, 27 JAN. 1928

John Hallen
Superintendent Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages,
for the District of County Mayo



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Registration of Births and Deaths in Ireland.

43 and 44 Vic., Cap. 13.

SEC. 25.—“ . . . Subject to such regulations as shall be made from time to time by the Registrar-General, with the approval of the Lord Lieutenant, every person shall be entitled at all reasonable times to search the said indexes, and also the register books, and to have a certified copy of any entry or entries in any register book, under the hand of the Superintendent Registrar or Registrar, as the case may be, who shall have the custody of the same for the time being, on payment in each case of the appointed fee in addition to the stamp duty of one penny imposed by the Act of the Session held in the thirty-third and thirty-fourth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter ninety-seven.”*

Sec. 32.—“ In the principal Act and this Act—
The term “general search” shall mean a search during any number of successive hours not exceeding six, without stating the object of the search; and

The term “particular search” shall mean a search over any period not exceeding five years for any given entry.”

2nd Schedule “ . . . For every search, to the Superintendent Registrar, to be paid by the applicant for the search, if it is a general search five shillings; if it is a particular search, one shilling.”

“ For a certified copy of any entry given by the Superintendent Registrar, two shillings and sixpence to the Superintendent Registrar, to be paid by the applicant.”

* This Duty was re-imposed by the 54 and 55 Vic., Cap. 39 (Stamp Act, 1891).

Fees Payable to Superintendent Registrar.		
For Search (5 years)	..	s. d.
„ Certified Copy and Stamp	..	1 0
Total	..	3 7

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(Examined and Registered),

J. Weston
Officer-in-Charge Records.

CERTIFICATE OF DISCHARGE.

NATIONAL FORCES.....

Reams
PTB

This is to Certify that No..... Rank.....

Name *e Martin Brown* born in the Parish of

Coastlebar in or near the town of *Coastlebar*

in the County of *Mayo* was attested at *athlone*

for the *pub lands* on the *23* day of *May*

19*22* at the age of *22* years..... months.

That the service he is entitled to reckon is..... *one* years

and..... *three* days towards the completion of his service

and..... *one* years and..... *three* days towards pay.

He is discharged on..... *25th May 1923*

in consequence of..... *Term Completed*

with character as noted in the handwriting of Commanding Officer.

(When a man is discharged with bad character the bottom of this Certificate is to be cut off at the part noted.)

Place..... *Griffith Barracks*

Date..... *25/5/23*

Joseph Keams Capt
Commanding Officer
at despatch station

Cut.....

CHARACTER:— *Very Good*

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Description of man on Discharge :—

Height..... 5. 10"

Colour of Hair..... Hair

Colour of Eyes..... Blue

Scars or Marks..... Nil

Complexion..... Irish

Address on Discharge Pleasant Hill

Castlebar Co Mayo

Trade..... Carver

WARNING.—If this Discharge Certificate is lost a duplicate cannot be issued.

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(SIXTH AND SEVENTH
SCHEDULE).

A.P. 30.

ARMY PENSIONS ACTS, 1923 and 1927

Application for Dependants' Allowance or Gratuity by or on behalf of a Dependant
other than Widow under Section 14 of the Army Pensions Act, 1927.

NOTE.—This form is to be filled in by the Applicant in person in his (or her) own words, and the form is to be signed by him (or her) and the signature witnessed. In the event of the Applicant being unable to write, he (or she) should affix his (or her) mark, such act being witnessed.

Name of Applicant (TO BE WRITTEN IN BLOCK CAPITALS.) *Mrs Mary Brown*
(Surname) (Mr., Mrs., or Miss) (Christian Names).

Address *Serrylea, Castlebar, Mayo.*

Nearest Garda Siochana Station *Ballyheane.*

Name of deceased member *Martin Brown*

Irish Volunteers.....

Rank in Irish Citizen Army, 1916.....

National Army..... *Private*

Unit and Corps..... Army No. *3134*

Name and Rank of Commanding Officer *Andrew Dolan Capt*
next Commandant Sheeran *OF Signal Coy*
next Lieutenant Colery

NOTE.—Before answering any of the questions below, the applicant is to note that the statements made will be checked from official records.

Section 12 (1) of the Act imposes a summary penalty for a false declaration.

“ Every person who, with a view to obtaining the grant or payment of a pension, allowance, or gratuity under this Act either for himself or for any other person, makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application, or other written statement knowing the same to be false shall be guilty of an offence under this section and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a fine not exceeding twenty-five pounds or, at the discretion of the court, to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months or to both such fine and such imprisonment.”

If the applicant is unable to read, the above notes should be read over to him (or her) by the witness, who should so testify in his attestation of the claim.

1. State your relationship to the deceased.
2. State the date of your birth. (If you are the father of the deceased and claim to be over 60 years of age, your Birth Certificate must be forwarded).
3. When and where did the deceased die, and what was the cause or causes of death? (Certificate of death to be attached).
4. State whether the deceased was married.
5. State whether you were at the date of death of the deceased, wholly dependent on him. If not wholly dependent, state the extent to which you were dependent.
6. If the applicant is the brother or sister of the deceased, or the father of the deceased, and under 60 years of age state whether and, if so, how far you are incapacitated by ill-health. (Certificate from your doctor must be attached).
7. State whether any claim has been made, or is being made by you, in respect of any other member of the Forces.
8. In what way do you claim that the disability, (or disabilities), which was the cause of death, was connected with the Military Service of the deceased? What grounds have you for the claim? (A detailed statement of the facts, with dates, should be given).
9. State for what period deceased served in—Irish Volunteers.

Irish Citizen Army.

National Army.

Defence Forces.

- (a) When, and in what area or areas, did the disability (or disabilities) which resulted in death commence?
- (b) Who was the deceased's Commanding Officer or Officers in the several Forces?
- (c) Give the names of any persons who can corroborate your answer to (a) above.

my son. and I
a poor widow
woman
May 1859.

January 23rd 1926.

In Derryled.

Cold brought on by
no. exposure in Army.

as part of the
home help.

which I had no one to
earn a pound but him

He caught cold from
long hours on duty +
exposure.

Over 12 months.

In Athlone

B. Garragher A.B.K.S
Athlone

Michael Macnamara
Patrick Scabiff

(d) If deceased served in the National Army or Defence Forces, state the date of discharge from the Army or Forces.

10. Were there any particular conditions affecting the service of the deceased which you claim caused the disability (or disabilities).

11. Give particulars of the health of the deceased for the three years prior to joining the particular Force in which it is claimed he incurred the disability or disabilities which caused his death. If possible, certificates should be furnished.

(a) from his Doctor, and

(b) from his approved Society, for the 3 years prior to his joining the particular Force, or, if he was not an insured person, certificates should be furnished by the Medical Practitioner who ordinarily attended him during those 3 years. A statement will also be required from his Employer, or Employers, in respect of the 3 years prior to his joining the particular Force.

12. Give the names of the hospitals where the deceased was treated for the disability (or disabilities) stated in reply to Question 3 above. and the approximate dates of admissions and discharges, if possible.

13. Did the deceased suffer from the disability (or disabilities) mentioned in the above answer to Question 3, or anything like it, prior to Military Service? If so, give details and dates.

14. Was the deceased at any time prior to joining the Forces a candidate for any appointment which necessitated a medical examination? If so, state the nature of the appointment and the result of the medical examination.

15. Give the names of any hospital or hospitals in which the deceased received treatment as an in-patient, or an out-patient prior to the period of his service, and the nature of the ailment or ailments for which treatment was provided.

24th May '23

Night Duty.

Fine & Robust.
in perfect health

Peamount Hospital
Near Dublin

No.

yes for the
R. I. C.

Never in any
hospital.

16. What was the nature of the employment of deceased.
- before joining the Irish Volunteers, Irish Citizen Army or National Army,
 - during the period of his service with the Irish Volunteers or Irish Citizen Army,
 - after the cessation of his Military Service.
17. Give the names and addresses of his Employers,
- during the 3 years prior to joining the particular Military Force in which it is claimed he contracted the disability (or disabilities) which caused his death,
 - during the period of his service with the Irish Volunteers or Irish Citizen Army,
 - during the period since the cessation of his Military Service and prior to his death.
18. Give particulars of any period or periods of unemployment since the cessation of the Military Service of the deceased, and the cause of it (e.g. trade depression, ill-health, etc.)
19. Did either the deceased or yourself receive compensation from the deceased's employers, or from any person in respect of any accident, injury, or disease, and, if so, give full particulars and state the amount of such compensation.
20. Give the names and addresses of any doctors who attended the deceased since the cessation of his Military Service.
21. If the deceased was treated at a hospital (either as an in-patient or an out-patient) since the cessation of his Military Service, give the name of the hospital or hospitals, dates of admission, or commencement of treatment, and the nature of the ailment for which treated.
22. Give particulars of the health of deceased since the cessation of his Military Service. These should be supported by

Carter & Yard-Man
for Mr W. M. Gibbons
Main St. C. Bar.

Labouring

Wm P. Gibbons Esq.
Main St.
Castlebar.

Unemployed since
military service
owing to ill health
No

Dr. Thornton Castlebar

Deamont Hospital

22 day October 1925-
Left uncured Thursday
21 January 1926
Tuberculosis

Complaining bad health
since he left military
service

- (a) medical certificates from any civilian doctors who attended him, and reports from non-Military hospitals which deceased attended,
- (b) certificates from deceased's employers as to health and time lost.

was not employed since left the army

no.

23. Have you received, or did the deceased receive, in respect of the disability or disabilities which

caused his death, any payment.

- (a) on a decree under the Criminal Injuries (Ireland) Acts, 1919 and 1920,

- (b) on an award made by the Personal Injuries Committee,

- (c) from any relief organisation, such as National Aid, or White Cross Association? If so, give full particulars.

24. Give the name of deceased's National Health Approved Society, and (if possible) his membership number.

Was not a member of any approved society

25. Did the deceased make a claim for a certificate of service under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924? If so, what was the result of his claim?

no

26. State whether deceased was at any time in receipt of a pension, allowance or gratuity in respect of injuries received or disability incurred in the course of service with any of the following Military or Police Forces:—

no

- (a) British.
- (b) Australian.
- (c) New Zealand.
- (d) South African.
- (e) Canadian.
- (f) American (U.S.A.).
- (g) Royal Irish Constabulary.
- (h) Dublin Metropolitan Police.
- (i) Garda Siochana.

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27. Give particulars of any payments you have received from Army Funds since the death of deceased.

28. If you are supporting any children of the deceased, give particulars as follows :—

no nothing received from army funds since death of deceased or ^{ever} before deceased was unmarried

(a) Where the deceased was an Officer :

Full name of each son under 18.	Date of Birth.
<i>/</i>	<i>/</i>
<i>/</i>	<i>/</i>
Full name of each daughter under 21.	Date of Birth.
<i>/</i>	<i>/</i>
<i>/</i>	<i>/</i>

(Birth Certificates must be attached).

(b) Where the deceased was a Soldier :

Full name of each son under 16.	Date of Birth.
<i>/</i>	<i>/</i>
<i>/</i>	<i>/</i>
Full name of each daughter under 18.	Date of Birth.
<i>/</i>	<i>/</i>
<i>/</i>	<i>/</i>

(Birth certificates must be attached).

29. State amount expended within the past 12 months in educational fees on each of the children over 12 years and under 18 years mentioned in your reply to Question 28 :—

Name of Child.	£	s.	d.

(Receipts for school fees should be attached).

The above statement has been read over by/to me. It is my own statement and is correct and complete. I have nothing to add to it.

(Signed)* *Mary Browne* Address* *Derrylea Castle*
(Applicant).

Signed)* *Michael O'Leary* Address* *Ellison West Castle*
(Witness).

Qualification of Witness *Legat. Sec. Guard.* Date *27.1.1928*

* To be signed by one of the following :—

- A Commissioned Officer serving in the Defence Forces.
- A Permanent Civil Servant (active or retired) whose salary is or was not less than £200 and on a scale rising to not less than £300.
- A District Justice.
- A Peace Commissioner.
- A Barrister-at-Law, a Solicitor or a Commissioner for Oaths.
- A Minister of Religion (denomination to be stated).
- A registered Physician or Surgeon.
- Managers, Secretaries, Chief Cashiers and Accountants of Banks and Officials in charge of Branch Banks.
- A member of the Garda Síochána.
- A Postmaster or Postmistress in actual charge of a Post Office.
- Head Teachers of Secondary or National Schools.
- A Secretary of a registered Friendly Society.

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M.S.C.
(Argumite).

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A.F.O

For attention please

Mullaoubzall
q/s Punaiho

18/3
26



Reply sent-
crossed in Ash
pm
20/3

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Pensions Collection

I Remain
your Obedt
Servant

Mrs Brown
March

S^r!

Mrs Mary Brown
Pheasant Hill
Castlebar

Dear Sir

Ackd

In answer to the
letter I received from
you and the army pension
form you sent to fill
up which I must tell
you dear Sir I dont
know what I will do
as My Son Martin

I
got them forms a few
months ago which he
filled up and sent
them to you as I
cannot think of every
thing to put in it now
it would be a great
trouble to me to go to
all that bother again
after sending them
filled up before and
got no answer of them

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poor boy was
as I could fill up
this form without no
trouble as I never had
to bother of any number
or rank while he was
alive all the papers of
the army I have is his
discharge paper and
certificate so Dear Sir
let me know if you
can what to do

I will be so much
Thankful To you. if it
is in your power to
help me as I am a
poor Widow woman and
not able to do much
work I have my youngest
little boy after leaving
The Hospital which he
was there a few months
and is still not better
So Dear Sir let me know
The best to do. as the
other papers forms were filled

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11th. March, 6.

A Bhean Uasal,

With reference to your claim under the Army Pensions Act, 1923, in respect of the death of your son, I am directed by the Minister for Defence to inform you that the above Act provides for the payment of allowances to dependants of soldiers in cases where death was solely attributable to the effects of specific wounds or injuries received in the course of duty while on active service.

As your son's death was not due to such causes, your case does not come within the scope of the above-mentioned Act, and it is regretted, therefore, that no award can be made to you under its terms.

Mise, le meas,

Mrs. Browne,
Pleasant Hill,
Castlebar,
Co. Mayo.

FE/MMCC.

Issued 11/3/76
P.B.

(Sd) M. Croarty
for ARMY FINANCE OFFICER.

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LITIR DO GACH ABHAR.

UIMHIR THAGARTHA

2/3100.

ROINN COSANTA,

Brainnse an Ard-Chongantora.

GEATA NA PAIRCE,

BAILE ATHA CLIATH.

3, Marta, 1926.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
FINANCE
RECEIVED
4 - MAR. 1926

Secretary,
Army Pensions Department,
Griffith Barracks.

Attached letter received from Mrs. BROWNE,
Pheasant Hill, Castlebar is passed to you for necessary
action, please.

Receipt has not been acknowledged.



M. J. Kelly LIEUTENANT
for ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Encl.1

FJT/KF.

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February 27.1.

Pheasant Hill
Castlebar

Dear Sir

A few lines to let you know
of all the papers I sent you
of pension allowance I got
no answer of any of them
ever since. I cannot see
why I should be put
without something as my
Son Martin left his
position which he was
earning ^{2nd class} 2nd lbs a week

hope you
will help
me. I remain
Dear Sir your
truly. Mrs Brown

At a constant job and he
left and joyned the National
army in 19.22 when others
would not that never had
a job atall He has left me
today Dear Sir with a broken
heart he joyned that army
in splendid health since
he left it he was in bad
health as he lost it in the
army he never enjoyed one
day of health since untill
he died he has left me
and my four orphant
children poor for a

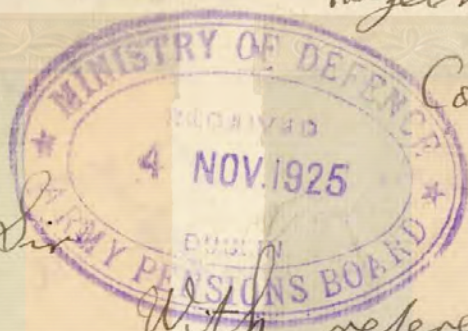
of time I done every
if I could for him but
seemed no good. I sent him
to Dublin Hospital when all
failed me. Then he was
not getting better. so he got
so bad as I had to go for
him by motor and had to
pay my nine pounds to get
him home and only lived
one day after landing so
you can see Dear Sir for
yourself how I must feel
what a great lot of
money he would have

earned for me since I could
have him not to go that time
if I wished but as how the
times was I wouldnt prevent
him or if I had more to joyne
at that time as lots of them
was afraid to do. So Dear
Sir If you can in your power
in any way be able to help
me a poor Widow I will be
very thankful entirely to you
as I am in a lot of debts
and cannot see how I will
be able to pay them without
any one to earn a penny
for me some are drawing
this money that dosent want
it at all and the poor creature
setting nothing. So Dear Sir?

21
Military Archives
Peamount-Sanatorium
Hazelhatch

Co Dublin

Dear Sir



With reference to
question 2 A in enclosed form
relative to Pension enquiry. I beg
to state I am claiming this
Pension not for wounds but for
that dreaded disease which set
in during my service In the
N. A. towards the country for
which I was as enclosed form
states. Discharged on 24th May
having at that time

giving twelve months service.
Trusting Dear Sir this application
meets with your kindest-
Consideration and you will
favour me with a reply
to your finding at your
earliest Convenience or as soon
as Possible

I am Dear Sir
yours faithfully
Martin Brown.



A.P. 1.

ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1923.

WOUND PENSION OR GRATUITY.

STATEMENT BY AN EX-OFFICER OR EX-SOLDIER CONCERNING
HIS OWN CASE.

NOTE.—This form is to be filled in by every ex-Officer or ex-Soldier who has been discharged from the forces as medically unfit, and who claims a pension or gratuity in respect of any wound or injury received in the course of his duty whilst on active service on or since 1st April, 1922.

The questions are to be answered in the ex-Officer's or ex-Soldier's own words, and the form is to be signed by him and the signature witnessed. In the event of the ex-Soldier being unable to write he should affix his mark, such act being witnessed.

Army No.....*N/A*..... Rank.....*Private*.....

Unit and Corps.....*Signalling*.....

Name and Rank of Commanding Officer*Command Sheeran*.....

NAME (TO BE WRITTEN IN BLOCK CAPITALS.) *MARTIN BROWN*
(Surname) (Christian Names)

Present Address.....*Pleasant Hill Castlebar Co Mayo*.....

Nearest Police or Civic Guard Station.....*Castlebar*.....

Note.—Before answering the questions below, the applicant is to note that

- (a) The statements made by him will be checked by official records.

Section 12 (1) of the Act imposes a summary penalty for a false declaration:—
“ If any person, with a view to obtaining a grant or payment of a pension, allowance or gratuity under this Act makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application or other written statement, knowing the same to be false, such person shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable, on conviction under the Summary Jurisdiction Acts, to a fine not exceeding five pounds.”

In answering question 2 (a) any special matters which, in his opinion, caused any unfitness from which he may be suffering or which aggravated it, should be clearly stated.

If the applicant is unable to read, the above notes should be read to him by the witness.

1. (a) For what period have you served?
(b) In what area?
2. (a) State the nature of any wound or injury, from which you are suffering, the date upon which, and the place and circumstances in which, it was received.

(b) Who was your Commanding Officer upon that date?

(c) Give the name of any witnesses who can corroborate your answer to (a) above.

(d) State the date upon which you were discharged from the Army as medically unfit.
3. Give the names of any hospitals where you have been treated for the above wound or injury, and the approximate dates of admissions and discharges if possible.
4. Did you suffer from the injury mentioned in above answer to question 2 (a) or anything like it *before* joining the Army? If so, give details and dates.
5. Give the names and addresses of any hospitals you were in, or doctors who attended you *before* you joined the Army.
6. What is the name and address of your last employer before joining the Army?
7. What was your occupation or trade before joining the Army?
8. Have you received in respect of the wound or injury mentioned in above answer to question 2 (a) any decree for compensation under the Criminal Injuries (Ireland) Acts, 1919 or 1920? If so, give full particulars.
9. Have you received in respect of the wound or injury mentioned in above answer to question 2 (a) any compensation from or on behalf of the person alleged to be responsible for the act which caused the wound or injury? If so, give full particulars.
10. Have you received in respect of the wound or injury mentioned in the answer to question 2 (a) any payment from any Relief Organisation such as National Aid or White Cross Association? If so, give full particulars.
11. Give the name of your National Health Approved Society, and (if possible) your membership number.

Twelve months
Athlone

24th May. 1923

No

Doctor M^cBride

William Gibbons Main Street
Castlebar Co. Mayo

Barter

Nil

12. Have you served at any period with any of the following military or police forces? If so, give full particulars of service.

- (a) British.
- (b) Australian.
- (c) New Zealand.
- (d) South African.
- (e) Canadian.
- (f) American (U.S.A.)
- (g) Royal Irish Constabulary.

13. (a) Give full particulars of any pension, allowance, or gratuity which you hold or at any time have held in respect of any wound or injury received in, or disease contracted in, the service mentioned in your reply to above question 12.

(b) State clearly the source from which payment of such pension or allowance or gratuity is made or has been made.

The above statement has been read over to me; I agree to it, and have nothing further to add.

Signed Address

(ex-Officer or ex-Soldier)

Signed* Address

(Witness)

Qualification Date

*To be signed by one of the following:—

A Commissioned Officer serving in the Free State Army.

A Permanent Civil Servant (active or retired) whose salary is or was not less than £200 and on a scale rising to not less than £300.

A District Justice, or a Divisional Magistrate.

A Peace Commissioner.

A Barrister-at-Law, a Solicitor or a Commissioner for Oaths.

A Minister of Religion (denomination to be stated).

A registered Physician or Surgeon.

Managers, Secretaries, Chief Cashiers and Accountants of Banks and Officials in charge of Branch Banks.

An Officer of the Civic Guard or Dublin Metropolitan Police not below the rank of Inspector or Station Sergeant.

A Postmaster or Postmistress in actual charge of a Post Office.

Head Teachers of Secondary or National Schools.

A Secretary of a registered Friendly Society.

ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1923.

Statement by an ex-Officer or ex-Soldier who claims as a married man a further pension in accordance with Section 2 of the Act.

14. If your wife is alive

- (a) State the date of your marriage.
- (b) Is your wife dependent on you?
- (c) Does she ordinarily reside with you?
(Certificate of Marriage to be attached).

15. (a) If your wife is dead, or the marriage has been dissolved, state the names and ages of any

(to be filled in by ex-Officers)

Sons under 18 years.

Daughters under 21 years.

(to be filled in by ex-Soldiers)

Sons under 16 years.

Daughters under 18 years.

(Certificate of Birth of youngest living child to be attached).

(b) State whether the child or children mentioned above are dependent on you and where they are living.

(c) State whether any of the above children are married.

16. If your wife is alive, but your marriage has been dissolved, and you claim a further pension in respect of the children mentioned in reply to question 15 (a) above, please furnish copy of the decree or order of the Court.

The above statement has been read over to me; I agree to it, and have nothing further to add.

Signed
(ex-Officer or ex-Soldier)

Address

Signed*
(Witness)

Address

Qualification

Date

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14th October, 1925.

Mr. Martin Browne,
Pheasant Hill,
Castlebar,
CO. MAYO.

A Chara,

Mr. Hughes desires me to
acknowledge the receipt of your communication
of the 8th instant relative to your claim
for a pension in respect of your disability,
and to say the matter shall have his
consideration.

Issued.....
Initials.....

The Discharge Certificate which
accompanied your letter is returned herewith.



Beir Beannacht,

Yours truly

RUNAI AIRE.

AJv
(Mr. Morgan)

For attention Head,

W. J. Morgan
14/10

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I

Pheasant Hill Castlebar
County Mayo S.F.S

8th
S. 10. 25

The Minister Of Defence
Dublin Castle

Sir,

May I trouble you to examine the
following facts relative to my term in the
S. F State army and subsequent discharge.
Previous to joining the National army I was
employed by Mr. W. Gibbons Castlebar
Merchant as Carter at 2£ 12.6 per week
On the 22nd May 1922 I was attested
at Athlone and served until 25th May
1923 having my term completed

At this particular time May 22nd the
free state was in a sad plight and I
relinquished my employment to serve my
country. During my time with the National
forces I suffered severely doing duty
often for sixty hours without being
relieved. The strain broke down my nervous
system and the prolonged duty undermined
my Constitution.

Since leaving the army I have not been in good
health and at the present time I am unable
to work. I now appeal to you as the Head
of the forces to grant me a pension
until such time as I recover my health.
I am a burden on my friends.

(3)
who are unable to provide for
me any longer

I also enclose Discharge

~~I am.~~

I am.

Sir

your Obedient servant

Martin Browne

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Boonkeen, Castlebar
O Mayo.

. 6. 10. 25

I hereby certify that I have known
Martin Brown for a long number of
years.

He joined the National Army in
May 22 and left, after twelve months
service.

Previous to joining the N. Army he
was in perfect health. Since being
discharged he is, and has been an invalid.

This breakdown he attributes to his
severe duty whilst serving.

It would relieve and comfort him a good
deal should the State grant him a
Pension until such time as he recovers his health.
(Signed) Martin J. Reidy P. C. Comayo