

lines indicated in the
Ministry's letter with
effect from the 10th of
Aug. 1917 inclusive, the
date following that
of the death of the late
Capt Stevenson.

3 I shall however be
glad to learn the date
to which Capt. Stevenson
received full pay in
order that if necessary,
the date on which the
pensions are payable may
be adjusted to commence
from the day following

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Previous Paper

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Pension to Mother of Capt. Stewart

Master pension had Capt. Stewart been
serving in the Army. Enquiry is being
made on certain points, & a further communication
to be sent as soon as possible

Mr. Robinson,

M.O.P. have taken steps for local
investigation

? bring up on 8th March if no
further communication is in before
then from M.O.P. Pensioners.

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Dft herewith remitting M.O.P.

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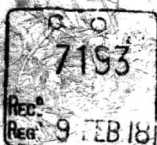
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(Widows and Dependants Branch),

45, Grosvenor Road,

LONDON, S.W.

9th February 1918.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 5th ultimo, 58329/1917, regarding the case of Mrs. Hewlett, mother of Corporal W.H. Hewlett, East African Military Labour Bureau, I am directed by the Minister of Pensions to acquaint you that if the soldier had been serving in the British Army, the claimant would have been eligible for pension, within a limit of 15/- weekly, at the ascertained rate of her pre-war (or pre-enlistment, if later), dependence. Local investigation is necessary to determine the extent, if any, of such dependence, and steps have been taken with a view to carrying out this investigation.

I am, however, to state that under certain recent concessions, pensions may be granted to soldiers parents who are incapable of self-support through infirmity or age and in pecuniary need, irrespective of prior dependence, and this case appears one in which a grant under this concession could be considered. If, as appears probable the claimant has no means apart from her Old Age Pension, a pension of 8/- would be awarded by this Office.

A further communication on the case will be addressed to you as soon as possible.

The enclosures to your letter are returned as requested.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

for the Secretary.

Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
S.W.1.

reference No. 53738/1917.

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Ash,

Martock.

8th November, 1917.

Dear Sir,

With sorrowing heart I write to thank you for the promptness in informing me, in the first place of my Son's (Corporal William Henry Hewlett) illness and secondly of his death. You need no telling how it grieved me, as it must all Mothers of our fighting Sons when they get such news. I am also writing for information regarding my son, as I am a widow and he was my only son, and my only income is the Old Age Pension with support from my son. He informed me by letter which I received from him last August, that he had joined His Majesty's forces and was going to German East Africa, since then I have had no news of him until the news from you of his illness so I am at a loss to know if I am entitled to anything or he has left anything to me. I should be very grateful if you could give me any such news or information where I could write to, to get such as he joined the Forces in South Africa.

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) MRS. R. HEWLETT,

Ash, Martock.

Somerset.

MR SECRETARY OF STATE,

COLONIAL OFFICE,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

reference No. 53738/1917.

The Grange,
Chetnole,
Dorset.

27th November, 1911

Sir,

Mrs. Hewlett has come to me with the enclosed form, she is unable to write, and in very poor circumstances. Her son used to send her money regularly when in South Africa but she has not heard from him since he went to East Africa. She is at present staying in this village with her daughter Mrs. How, who is a widow and receiving Parish relief. I hope she will soon have her Pension and the arrears of separation allowance.

I am, Sir,

(Signed) HARVEY ALEXANDER, Sol.

J.P. for Dorset.

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