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My Lord,

I have the honour to transmit herewith for the consideration of the Ministry of Pensions two copies of the proceedings of a Medical Board held at Dar-es-Salaam on the 12th November last on Mr. W. E. Thompson, late Corporal in the Military Labour Corps, together with two copies of his record of service as compiled by the Officer-in-Charge Pedras.

It will be observed that the Medical Board find a permanent disability of 40 per cent.

I have the honour to be,  
Your Lordship's  
humble obedient servant,

*[Signature]*

ALBERT BAKER

HONOURABLE  
MOUNT MILNER, P.C., G.C.B., G.C.M.G. &c. &c.  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,  
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MEDICAL BOARD REPORT ON A DISABLED OFFICER

(Also to be used for Disabled Nurses)

Name: **Larrea-Salazar**

Rank and Name: **Mr. W. E. Thompson**

Address: **10 District ...**

Age: **4**

Total Service: **25.18** War Service: **3**

War Service: **at home** **3** years **at abroad** **3** years

Address: **10 District ...**

STATEMENT OF CASE

When preparing the following report the Board will carefully discriminate between the officer's statements and evidence presented on medical documents. When necessary statements by a medical attendant should be attached.

Disability: **Retinal neurodegeneration**

Date of origin of disability: **May 1912**

Place of origin of disability: **Luzon**

Give concisely the essential facts bearing on the history of the disability (personal and family history, etc.)

Notes - Board subsequent to the first should record here the progress of the case since the officer's last appearance.

Has had Malaria in **Rodenasia** pre-war. **Dysentery in Camp**, treated by **smatic injections** 1912. **Spirillum fever in June 1912** - untreated. **Septic disease pre-war**. **Blackwater fever at Camp**, **Obanbique May 1912** while on Active Service. **One day water discharge** with **severe pain in left eye** lasting for hours followed by **partial blindness**. **Blindness** (general) is **unmarried**. Takes tobacco spirit, but **denies intemperance**.

OPINION OF THE MEDICAL BOARD

The Board will on no account inform the officer of its opinion as any of the following questions:

(a) **They and decisive answers should be found by the Board to enable the Medical Board to**

(b) **Experiments should be made to determine the probability of**

Is the disability ...

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Is the disability ...

14. What is the officer's present condition? *Central Station, of left eye*  
*in both eyes is poor. Hellen? - eye not available. Pupils*  
*of left eye is due to Retinal hemorrhages.*  
*arteries not thickened. Wassermann Reaction, negative*  
*type - trace of albumen, No. Sugar.*

15. To what degree is the officer disabled at the present time? *40%*  
(Degree of disability should be expressed in the following percentages: 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, under 50, or all.)

16. Is the disability permanent? *Yes*

17. If not permanent, how soon is re-examination recommended? *months*

18. Is it necessary that the officer should be re-examined by the same Board? *No*

19. What treatment is the officer receiving and where, and from whom?  
*Appropriate treatment (if necessary) by Civil D. Sanderson*  
*at Fort Salina*

20. Describe a course of special medical treatment of any kind, and, if so, of what nature?

21. Does the officer employ the constant attendance of another person? *No*

22. Officers will be classified by the Medical Board under one of the following categories, the probable period of unfitness for the higher categories being stated. Examination of these categories is in para. 5 of A.C.I. 1677/1917. In case of nurses omit B. and (i) and (ii) of E.

- A.—Fit for general service *No.*
- B.—Fit for service in a garrison or labour unit abroad. *No.*
- C.—Fit for home service *No.*
  - (a) on duty with troops *No.*
  - (b) in sedentary employment only *No.*
- D.—For admission to a command depot. *No.*
- E.—Requiring in-home hospital treatment—
  - (i) In an officers' military or auxiliary convalescent hospital. *No.*
  - (ii) In an officers' hospital. *No.*
- F.—Permanently unfit for any further military service *Yes.*

23. In the case of officers and crew from neurasthenia found permanently unfit; has A.C.I. 1240 of 1917 been complied with? *Not applicable*

14. What is the officer's present condition? No. 1013 Central Station of Letters  
 ... **Left eye - trace of ataxia, No. Sugar.**  
 ... **Arteries not thickened. Wassermann Reaction negative**  
 ... **Diagnosis: Diabetes Mellitus. Pupil**

15. To what degree is the officer disabled at the present time? 40%  
 (Degree of disability should be expressed in the following percentages: 0, 20, 30, 40, 50, under 20 or all.)  
 16. Is the disability permanent? Yes.  
 17. If not permanent, how soon is re-examination recommended? 12 months  
 18. Is it necessary that the officer should be re-examined by the same Board? Yes.  
 19. What treatment is the officer receiving and where, and from whom?  
 Appropriate treatment (if necessary) by Civilian M.D. in London

20. Describe the special medical treatment of any kind, and, if any, of what nature?  
 21. Does the officer require the constant attendance of another person? No.

22. Officers will be classified by the Medical Board under one of the following categories, the probable period of unfitness for the higher categories being stated. Examination of these categories is made under para. 5 of A.C.I. 1677/1917. In case of nurses (part B, and C, and D) of R.

- A.—Fit for general service No.
- B.—Fit for service in a garrison or labour unit abroad. No.
- C.—Fit for home service No.
  - (a) Active duty with troops No.
  - (b) Moderate employment only 0.
- D.—For admission to a command depot. No.
- E.—Requiring indoor hospital treatment—
  - (i) In an officers' military or auxiliary convalescent hospital. No.
  - (ii) In an officers' hospital No.
- F.—Permanently unfit for any further military service Yes.

23. In the case of officers and men from anaesthesia found permanently unfit, has A.C.I. 3249 of 1912 been complied with? Not applicable.

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Casualty Form - Active Service.

Army Form B169.

Regiment or Corps Military Labour Corps

Regimental No. 12568 Rank Private Name Thompson, W. E.

at Tabora  
 Enlisted (a) 24-4-18 Terms of Service (a) L. of W. in A. & S Service reckons from (a) 24-4-18

Date of promotion to) months after Date of appointment) 4.0.364 d/ 15-5-1  
 present rank. ) to lance rank. Numerical position on) roll of N.C.Os. )

Extended \_\_\_\_\_ Re-engaged \_\_\_\_\_ Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_

REPORT.		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B213, Army Form A36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place.	Date.	REMARKS taken from Army Form B213, Army Form A36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received.				
	L.M.L	To be Corporal	LSM.	24-4-18	L.O. 365 d, 15-5-18
		Med. boarded at and recommended change to South Africa	"	27-6-18	Auth. Proceedings of Med. Board d, 27-6-18 and L.D.M.S. No. 5034/863 d, 29-6-18 and Part 11 Orders No. 28 d, 10-7-18.
		Invalided to S.A. at per "Gascon"	"	3-7-18	Com. Roll "Gascon" 3-7-18 and Pt. 2. Orders No. 29 d, 17-7-18
		Disemb. ex "Iscoma" at Iron S.A.	"	9-10-18	Pt. 2 Orders No. 42 d, 16-10-18
		is engaged for service with effect from 17-2-19 (28 days leave added)		17-2-19	C.O. 208 d, 23-9-19

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.  
 (b) e.g., Signaller, etc., etc.

Sd. R. Page, Captain  
 i/c Records.

R. T. G.

Barber.		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, specialities, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B313, Army Form A36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.		Place.	Date.	Remarks taken from Army Form B313, Army Form A36, or other official documents.
Date.	From whom received.					
20-5-18	3Q34	Adm.	Hosp.	37. S.H. Lumb	20-5-18	Malaria & Diarrhoea
24-6-18	Wom. Roll	Trans.	"	per "Gascon" to DSM.	24-6-18	Do
				Per "Gascon" invalidated to S.A.	3-7-18	
25-7-18	K/30 Simonstown	Adm.	Hosp.	Durban	10-7-18	
				"	26-8-18	
19-9-18	K/38 Simonstown	Dischg.	"			

