

CHAPTER 206.

PUBLIC OFFICERS WIDOWS.

[No. XVII of 1920.]

[2nd October, 1920.]

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Public Officers Widows Ordinance. Short title.
2. For the purposes of this Ordinance— Interpretation.
 “ public officer ” means any public officer or pensioner, and includes any minister of religion whose name is mentioned in schedules A and B of the Clergy List Ordinance, 1918; (No. 49 of 1918.)
 “ widow ” includes the widow of a deceased public officer, or his children, or other heirs, or any other person the Governor considers to have the best moral claim to any payment under this Ordinance;
 “ salary ” means full salary or pension, and includes personal, temporary, or other allowances by way of salary or personal emoluments whether pensionable or not.
3. Whenever a public officer dies the Governor may order his salary for one month from the date of his death to be paid to his widow, but this enactment, so far as it extends to any payment to the widow of a public officer to whom the provisions of section twenty to twenty-three (both inclusive) of the Pensions Ordinance apply, shall have no force nor effect after the twenty-second of October, nineteen hundred and twenty-one. Grant to widow of a deceased public officer.
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4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Ordinance passed before the commencement of this Ordinance, on the death of a public officer to whom any sum not exceeding one hundred dollars is due from the Government in respect of salary, probate or other proof of the title of the personal representative of the deceased may be dispensed with, and that sum may be paid or distributed to or Payment of salary accrued due.

among the persons appearing to the Governor to be beneficially entitled to the personal estate of the deceased, or to or among any one or more of those persons, or, in the case of the illegitimacy of the deceased officer or his children, to or among the persons the Governor thinks fit.

Governor's decision final.

5. The decision of the Governor on any question which arises as to the application of any section of this Ordinance to anyone or as to the amount to be paid to him shall be final

When payee absent from the colony.

6. Where it has been decided under this Ordinance to pay a sum to anyone not residing in the colony, the Colonial Treasurer may pay that sum to anyone there resident who represents himself as, and satisfies the Colonial Treasurer that he is, the agent of the person not so resident even though no strict legal proof of agency is produced.

Payment under this Ordinance valid against all persons.

7. Any payment made pursuant to this Ordinance shall be valid against all persons whomsoever, and all persons acting under its provisions shall be absolutely discharged from all liability in respect of any moneys duly paid or applied by them under this Ordinance.

