

(3) Notwithstanding the preceding provisions of this Article, the Contracting Parties may (but only in the most exceptional cases) issue Certificates of Urgency to non-inoculated persons whose unobstructed passage is absolutely and immediately essential on grounds of high policy, certifying that a passage without hindrance to the bearer of the Certificate is urgently necessary.

The precise form and method of issue of the Certificate and the nature of the certifying authority shall be a matter for arrangement and communication between governments concerned.

The Contracting Parties undertake to grant unimpeded passage to bearers of such certificates but the movements of such certificate holders will, whenever possible, be restricted during stops on air routes to adequately screened quarters which will not be left except to re-enter the aircraft.

#### NOTES.

*Note 1.* The requirements of Article 38 of the International Sanitary Convention for Aerial Navigation, 1933, as amended by the International Sanitary Convention for Aerial Navigation, 1944, will be complied with by this Colony only so far as may be possible.

*Note 2.* Article 40 of the International Sanitary Convention, 1926, as amended by the International Sanitary Convention, 1944, has effect, in relation to this Colony, as if the words "as far as possible" were inserted between the words "render and maintain" and the words "free from *Stegomyia (Aedes aegypti)*" in the second paragraph of the said Article.

*Note 3.* Article 47 of the International Sanitary Convention for Aerial Navigation, 1933, as amended by the International Sanitary Convention for Aerial Navigation, 1944, has effect, in relation to this Colony, as if there were inserted therein a provision that aerodromes in the non-endemic area of the Colony shall not necessarily comply with the requirements of the said Article.

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**CHAPTER 149.**

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**CHAPTER 149.**

## DAVSON CENTENARY FUND.

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## Preamble.

Whereas Messieurs S. Davson & Company, Limited, on the 18th June, 1917, inaugurated a fund, called the Davson Centenary Fund, to commemorate the completion of one hundred years of active association by that Company with the Colony of British Guiana, and made a gift of five hundred pounds sterling to the Colony, that sum to be invested and the interest earned to be used as follows:—

firstly, in defraying the cost of a gold medal to be presented every third year to the medical practitioner selected by a committee for specially valuable work in medical research done for the Colony;

secondly, in defraying the cost of publishing pamphlets and actual expenses incurred;

thirdly, in making donations, as directed by a committee, to organisations or funds for the improvement of health or amelioration of disease in the Colony:

And whereas on the 25th March, 1924, the Company augmented the fund by a further contribution of five hundred

pounds sterling and intimated that whenever justified by circumstances it was the intention of the Company gradually to augment the fund by further contributions, and stipulated that half of any sum available for distribution in every period of three years should be allotted by the committee to an organisation or fund having for its object the improvement of health or amelioration of disease in the county of Berbice, and also that three essays, selected as being the best submitted to the committee, should be published in pamphlet form after the award was made, the cost to be defrayed out of the fund:

And whereas previous awards of the gold medal were made (a) in 1917 to Dr. J. E. A. Ferguson, I.S.O.; (b) in 1920 to Dr. E. D. Rowland, I.S.O., and (c) in 1923 to Dr. C. P. Kennard, under regulations made by the Governor on the 5th May, 1917, and the 9th August, 1923:

And whereas it is desirable that provision should be made for carrying the aforesaid purposes into effect and for the proper administration of the fund:

Be it, therefore, enacted by the Governor of British Guiana, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Davson Centenary Fund Ordinance. Short title.

2. In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires— Interpretation.

“ gold medal ” means a medal in gold struck from the die registered at the office of the Crown Agents on the 21st March, 1917, as pattern No. 457;

“ the committee ” means the committee appointed by the Governor in Council under the provisions of this Ordinance;

“ medical practitioner ” means any medical practitioner registered under the Colonial Medical Service Ordinance, or any Ordinance amending or re-enacting it; Cap. 134.

“ the fund ” means the Davson Centenary fund.

3. The fund shall consist of the two sums of five hundred pounds each, and the further contributions to the fund, mentioned in the preamble of this Ordinance, and also any other contributions made by anyone whomsoever, and all interest received on investments belonging to the fund. Creation of the fund.

4. The fund is hereby vested in the Financial Secretary and his successors in office subject to the control of the committee, and he shall— Fund vested in Financial Secretary.

(a) have the custody of all securities belonging, and shall collect all moneys due, to the fund;

(b) make no disbursements whatsoever from the fund except on a certificate signed by three members of the committee;

(c) only invest moneys belonging to the fund as directed by the committee; and

(d) lay before the Governor in Council a full statement of the affairs of the fund at the end of every third year, the first statement being deemed to be due for the period ending the 30th September, 1926.

Appointment  
of  
committee.

5. (1) The Governor in Council shall appoint a committee of four persons, who shall be the Director of Medical Services of British Guiana, a medical practitioner resident in the Colony who shall not be eligible to compete for any award, and two other suitable persons.

(2) The Director of Medical Services shall be chairman of the committee, but in his absence from a meeting the members may elect their own chairman for that meeting.

(3) The fund shall be controlled and managed by the committee.

(4) In the event of a vacancy occurring on the committee owing to the death, resignation, or absence from the Colony of any member, the Director of Medical Services shall forthwith report the fact to the Governor in Council, who shall appoint a member to fill the vacancy.

(5) The Director of Medical Services shall always be *ex officio* a member of the committee.

(6) Any three members of the committee shall form a quorum.

Distribution  
of interest  
on the fund.  
19 of 1941,  
s. 2.

6. (1) In the month of September in every third year, commencing from the year 1941, the committee shall utilise the interest derived from the fund as in this section provided.

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s. 2.

(2) In the first place the committee shall purchase and present a gold medal to the medical practitioner who, in the opinion of the committee, has performed the most valuable medical research work for the Colony.

19 of 1941,  
s. 2.

(3) In any case where the medical research work of a medical practitioner shows special merit and such practitioner is not awarded the gold medal that year, the committee may, at its discretion, purchase and present a silver medal to such practitioner.

(4) Next the committee may, at its discretion, pay all expenses incurred in the publication in pamphlet form of any one or more of the essays submitted to the committee. 19 of 1941,  
s. 2.

(5) Any balance then remaining shall be divided into two equal parts and the committee shall present one-half to an organisation or fund having for its object the improvement of health or the amelioration of disease in the county of Berbice. 19 of 1941,  
s. 2.

(6) The committee shall, at its discretion— 19 of 1941,  
s. 2.

(a) present the remaining one-half to any organisation or fund for the improvement of health or the amelioration of disease in any part of the Colony elsewhere than in the county of Berbice; or

(b) present the aforesaid one-half to the committee of the medical library at the Public Hospital, Georgetown; or

(c) sub-divide the aforesaid one-half and pay such amounts as it may deem desirable to any two or more of the beneficiaries described in this subsection.

7. (1) The committee shall have power to make and to amend any necessary regulations for the award of the gold medal, for any silver medal specially awarded, for the distribution of the balances apportioned and for the payment of expenses incurred. Regulations.

(2) The regulations shall be subject to the approval of the Governor in Council.

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