

### 5.10. Northumberland and Durham Miners' Permanent Relief Fund, Register of Permanent Disablement, 1917.

Note: Permanent relief or provident funds were established in various coalfields in the second half of the nineteenth century and were intended to provide benefits to the widows and 'orphans' of miners killed in their work, disablement benefits for miners who suffered injuries or occupational disease, and, in some cases, payments to old and infirm miners no longer able to work. These were 'permanent funds' because, unlike friendly societies or other agencies, they paid benefits indefinitely. The Northumberland and Durham Miners' Permanent Relief Fund, founded in the wake of the Hartley Colliery disaster, was the first such permanent relief fund; it was also one of the most consensual and lasted well into the twentieth century after its counterparts in other coalfields had come to an end.

Age of Recipient	Cause, Nature and Location of Injury	Probable Duration of Member's Inability to Work from Accident	Occupation	Year and Date when Permanent Benefit began	Year and Date when Benefit Ceased	Cause of Benefit Ceasing
54	Strain, Abdomen	Indefinite	On belt	1917 Mar 21	1917 Dec 12	Died
39	Fall of stone, crush foot, Partial Amputation	" "	Miner	1917 Mar 22	1917 July 28	Resumed work
36	Nystagmus	4 months	Hewer	1917 Mar 25	1917 July 16	Resumed work
20	Crushed between tubs, fracture, arm			1917 Mar 24	1917 May 14	Resumed work
68	shoulder	Permanent	Shifter	1917 Mar 30		
64	Fell on timber, sprain, arm	Indefinite	Labourer	1917 Mar 1	1917 July 11	
57	tubs, fracture, left leg	Two months	" "	1917 Mar 3	1917 July 31	Resumed work
62	Fall of stone, fractures, ribs	3 months	Shifter	1917 Mar 17	1919 Apr 24	Resumed work
52	Fall of coal, fracture, rt leg	Cannot say	Hewer	1917 Mar 22	1917 June 10	Resumed work
37	Fall of stone, comp. fracture of skull	Indefinite	" "	1917 Jan 17	1927 Oct 4	

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51	Caught with timber tram, fracture skull + knee	Two or three months	Labourer	1917 Mar 30	1918 Sept 8	Resumed work
32	Fall of coal, fracture, rt thigh + rt elbow	Indefinite	Hewer	1917 Apr 2	1917 Oct 23	Resumed work
33	Nystagmus	“ “	“ “	1917 Apr 5	1919 Sept 29	Resumed work
48	Fall of stone, fracture, spine	“ “	“ “	1917 Apr 5	1936 May 26	Died
55	Fall of stone, injury to vertebra, back	A few more months	“ “	1917 Apr 6	1917 May 7	Resumed work
28	Fall of stone, fracture, thigh	Two months	“ “	1917 Apr 11	1917 May 5	Resumed work
40	Nystagmus	Indefinite	“ “	1917 Apr 14	1919 Feb 26	Resumed work
64	Slipped on rails, blows, side	6 months	Shifter	1917 Jan 14	1931 Apr 19	Died
62	Struck with prop, contusions, head + chest	Cannot say	Stoneman	1917 Jan 1	1920 Sept 18	Died
62	Piece of steel, loss of eye	“ “	Labourer	1917 Feb 16	1938 May 14	Died
62	Fall of coal, contusion + inflammation, testicle	Indefinite	Hewer	1917 Mar 6	1927 Jan 12	Died
30	Blow with piece of iron, puncture, eye	“ “	Tub-shop	1917 Mar 21	1917 July 16	Resumed work
39	Fall of coal, fracture, leg	“ “	Miner	1917 Mar 26	1917 July 16	Resumed work
17	Tubs, fracture, leg	“ “	Putter	1917 Apr 2	1917 May 14	Resumed work
31	Fall of coal, fracture, thigh	6 months	Hewer	1917 Apr 2	1918 Sept 2	Resumed work
38	Fall of stone, fracture, spine	Permanent	“ “	1917 Apr 3	1917 Oct 10	Died £5

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47	Fall of stone, crush, thigh	Indefinite	“ “	1917 Apr 3	1917 Nov 26	Resumed work
45	Fall of stone, comp. fracture, both legs	“ “	“ “	1917 Apr 4	1919 Aug 25	Resumed work
37	Lifting tub, strain of muscles, back	“ “	Driver	1917 Apr 7	1917 Dec 1	Resumed work
24	Girder drawn out, fracture, rt leg	6 months	Putter	1917 Apr 2	1918 Mar 18	Resumed work
40	Fall of Coal, Fractured Thigh	Indefinite	Hewer	1917 Feb 22	1918 May 24	Resumed work
55	Lifting a Stone, Hernia Rt Side	Uncertain	Stonework	1917 Mar 3	1918 March 25	Resumed work
62	Fall of Stone, Comp. Fracture big toe & foot	Two months	Hewer	1917 Mar 5	1917 July 23	Resumed work
16		Some months	Driver	1917 Mar 19	1922 March 11	Resumed work
15	Crush, fractured skull	Indefinite	Driver	1917 Apr 4	1917 June 18	Resumed work
57	Fall of Stone, Comp. fracture, left leg	3 months	Stonework	1917 Apr 5	1939 April 30	Died
32	Fall of Stone, Fracture, leg	Indefinite		1917 Apr 5	1917 July 28	Resumed work
43	Fall of Stone, Fracture, Thigh	“ “	Hewer	1917 Apr 5	1953	Died
14	Caught by tub, Comp. fracture, thigh	“ “	Driver	1917 Apr 6	1917 Sept 30	Resumed work
63	Lifting hand pump, Sprain, left side	“ “	shiftwork	1917 Mar 21	1919 Apr 22	Recovered
54	Fall of stone, fracture, left leg	“ “	“ “	1917 Mar 25	1917 July 28	Resumed work

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67	Fall of stone, Extensive laceration, foot	May be permanent	Coal miner	1917 Apr 4	1926 Nov 3	Died
17	Fall of stone, fracture, rt leg	uncertain	Stone putting	1917 Apr 4	1917 June 18	Resumed work
20	Lifting tub, shock + eye strain, head & eyes	“ “	Putter	1917 Apr 6	1917 June 23	Resumed work
63	Nystagmus	“ “	Shifter	1917 Apr 7	1917 June 30	Resumed work
38	Fell on Elbow, Bursitis also Nystagmus	“ “	Hewer	1917 Apr 9	1922 Mar 30	Resumed work
17	Caught by tubs, Contusion, Spine	“ “	Braker	1917 Apr 10	1919 Sept 21	Resumed work
69	Fall in mine, Dislocation, Shoulder	A few months	Shiftwork	1917 Apr 10	1917 July 16	Resumed work
46	Fall of stone, fracture, right leg	Some months	Hewer	1917 Apr 13	1917 June 11	Resumed work
26	Fall of stone, fracture, left thigh	9 months from accident	Putter	1917 Jan 17	1917 Apr 20	Resumed work
62	Fall of stone, strain, leg	3 months	Hewer	1917 Mar 21	1917 Apr 14	Resumed work
23	Lifting tub, strain, left side	Indefinite	Putter	1917 Apr 13	1918 May 6	Resumed work
17	Caught by carriage, crush, amputation foot	Permanent	Landing	1917 Apr 13	1917 Oct 1	Resumed work
39	Blown off by shot, ampu of hand at wrist	“ “	Sinker	1917 Apr 14	1933 Aug 13	Died
16	Pony falling on him, bruising rt leg	Uncertain	Driver	1917 Apr 15	1917 July 2	Resumed work
48	Fall of stone, lacerations + contusions, back	Two or 3 months	Miner	1917 Apr 16	1917 Oct 13	Resumed work

19	Caught by tub + jibbler, fracture, leg	4 months	Seemer	1917 Apr 16	1918 Feb 4	Resumed work
55	Fall of coal, crush, hand	Uncertain	Hewer	1917 Apr 16	1917 Dec 19	Resumed work
48	Nystagmus	“ “	“ “	1917 Apr 16	1918 Dec 30	Med exam
46	Fall of stone, crush, left index finger	Able for light work	“ “	1917 Apr 17	1917 Aug 13	Resumed work

Source: Tyne and Wear Archives Service, CH/MPR/15/3, Northumberland and Durham Miners' Permanent Relief Fund, Register of Permanent Disablement 1917.