

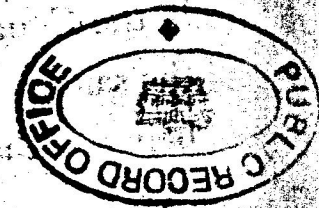
SEA OFFICERS' WIDOWS' CHARITY

FIRST ADMISSION CERTIFICATE.

To be in Force from and after the 1st January, 1819.

These are to Certify, The Court of Assistants for managing the Charity for the Relief of Widows of Commission and Warrant Officers of the Royal Navy, That *Thomas Mitchell Copplestone* late a *Master* of the Royal Navy, died on the *19th* Day of *August* One Thousand *8* Hundred and *20* while serving as such on board His Majesty's

the *Half Pay*



That according to the best information we can obtain from others, and do really believe ourselves, the

BEARER *Sarah Copplestone*

who applies for the Pension as his Widow, was his lawful Wife; That she has not already any Pension as the Widow of an Officer, or by any other Grant from Government; and that further we believe her to be a fit and deserving Object for the Benefit of the Charity.

Dated at *Guernsey* this *19th* Day of *March* 1821

R. W. A. H.

Philip Stanbury
Lieut R. N.

D. F. Durand, Rector of
St. Peter Port, Guernsey.

* N. B. This Certificate is to be signed by the Commissioner and Principal Officers of a Dock Yard: or if the Widow resides at a distance from a Dock Yard, by a Justice of the Peace, the Minister of her Parish, and two or more Officers of the Navy, who may well know her to be the Widow of the Officer whose right she claims the Pension; And it is then to be sent with her Marriage Certificate, under Cover, to the Secretary of the Admiralty. Admiralty-Office. London.

* N. B. If the Officer died on Half Pay, or on Superannuation; or while holding any Civil Situation, it must be so stated herein.

J. B. M.
Asst Surgeon
A. W.