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GOVERNMENT ANNUITIES COMMISSIONER,

(ANNUAL REPORT OF THE).

Presented	to	the	General	Assembly	in	accordance	with	section	29	of " The	Government
				A_i	nnu	vities Act, I	L8 <mark>69.</mark> '	,		-	

Government Annuities Office, Wellington, 29th July, 1874.

I have the honor to forward to you for presentation to the General Assembly, in compliance with the 29th section of "The Government Annuities Act, 1869," my Fifth Report on the business of this Department. The steady increase of that business during the financial year ended the 30th ultimo is a satisfactory indication of progress.

NEW BUSINESS.

The following statement shows the particulars of proposals received, and the number of policies issued during the year, including 71 policies issued on proposals returned as not completed in last year's report:—

Class.				RECEIVED.		DECLINED, AND NOT COMPLETED.			Policies Issued.		
			No.	Amoun	t.	No.	Amoun	ıt.	No.	Amount.	
Insurance Endowment Annuities	•••	•••	1,930 29 9			533 5 2	£ 181,600 600 (£140 per as	s. d. 0 0 0 0 nnum.)	1,465 27 7	£ s. d. 503,260 0 0 3,650 0 0 (£283 7s. per annum.)	
Total	•••		1,968	677,860	0 0	540	182,200	0 0	1,499	506,910 0 0	

The following is a summary of the particulars of the new business effected :-

ı	Class.		No. of Policies.	Sum Assured.	Single Premium.	Annual Premiums.	
Insurance Endowment Annuity	***	•••	 1,465 27 7	£ 503,260 0 0 3,650 0 0 (£283 7s. per annum.)	£ s. d. 2,127 3 6	£ s. d. 15,889 13 1 196 1 1 10 4 2	
•	Total	•••	 1,499	506,910 0 0	2,127 3 6	16,095 18 4 2,127 3 6	
				TOTAL NEW	Premiums	18,223 1 10	

The foregoing return shows that the sum of £16,095 18s. 4d., in the shape of New Annual Premiums, has been added during the last year to the gross annual income of the department.

CLAIMS.

The claims, amounting to £6,700, during the year, have been 14 in number, caused by the death of 14 persons.