

the *First* Schedule hereto with the authorities having charge of the railways, at Wellington, within eight months of the passing of this Act.

The authorities for the time being having charge of the railways shall issue a certificate, in the form of the *Second* Schedule hereto, as evidence of his claim having been received and registered. No such employé shall be entitled to withdraw his claim after it has been registered. Contributions shall commence from the date of such registration.

9 Every permanent employé shall be entitled to retire from the service at the age of sixty-five years.

Permanent employés may retire at sixty-five years. Allowances payable to permanent employés who contribute.

10. Any permanent employé who has become a contributor to the Insurance Fund, as provided by this Act, shall, upon the termination of his services on the railways, be entitled to be paid from the Insurance Fund allowances as follows :—

- (1) If he has served as a permanent employé for under twenty years, or if he has not attained the age of sixty-five years, then he shall be paid retiring-allowance during his lifetime at the rate of one-quarter of the pay he was entitled to receive at the date of his retirement.
- (2.) If he has served for twenty years, or his age exceeds sixty-five years, he shall be entitled to be paid retiring-allowance during his lifetime at the rate of one-third of the pay he was entitled to receive at the date of his retirement.

11 Any permanent employé who has become a contributor to the Insurance Fund, as provided by this Act, shall be entitled to be paid from the Insurance Fund during disablement from temporary sickness, mental or bodily infirmity, or accident, at the rate of half his current rate of pay, until such time as he is certified to be fit for duty, or to be entitled to be paid retiring-allowance, but such payments will be made only subject to such regulations and conditions as may be imposed by the authorities having charge of the railways from time to time.

Sick allowance to contributors.

12. Upon the death of any permanent employé who has become a contributor to the Insurance Fund, as provided in this Act, there shall be paid to his legal representatives as follows :—

Sum payable at death.

A sum equal to one month's pay for each year's service
 Provided that such sum shall not be less than six months' pay, and shall not exceed twelve months' pay at the rate which such permanent employé may have been entitled to receive at the date of his death if in active service, or, if he has retired, at the date of his retirement.

13. When any casual employé is appointed to be a permanent employé, the time which he has served continuously as a casual employé, at the date of such appointment, shall be counted in computing retiring-allowance thereafter

Time of casual service allowed.

14. No permanent employé shall be paid any allowance while he is in receipt of any pay from the railways or from the Government of the colony

No allowance payable to persons in pay of the colony.

15 No contributions shall be payable by persons who have retired or who are on half-pay allowance during sickness or accident.

No contribution during half-pay, &c.

16. When the authorities for the time being having charge of the railways discharge a permanent employé from any particular office on account of incapacity or infirmity, he may accept, if available, and if he is willing, any other office in the railway service at any other rate of pay without prejudice or diminishing his present rights to allowances at the date of such discharge.

Employés may accept lower offices without prejudice.