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SOCIAL SECURITY DEPARTMENT

REPORT FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH, 1948

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly pursuant to the provisions of the Social Security Act, 1938

This report deals with Part II of the Social Security Act only.

Reports on the operation of Part III and Part IV of the Act will be submitted by the Health and Land and Income Tax Departments respectively.

REPORT

To the Hon. the MINISTER OF SOCIAL SECURITY.

SIR,— Social Security Department, Wellington, 16th June, 1948.

We have the honour to submit for the information of Parliament the ninth annual report of the Social Security Department for the period 1st April, 1947, to 31st March, 1948.

SECTION I.—SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

NEW LEGISLATION

The only new legislation affecting monetary benefits under the Social Security Act, 1938, was the Social Security Amendment Act, 1947, which came into force on 1st October, 1947.

The following is a summary of the legislation :—

ADMINISTRATION

Provision was made for the Social Security Commission, with the written consent of the Minister of Social Security, to delegate to any Registrar or other officer of the Department any of its powers under Part II of the principal Act. Preliminary arrangements were made during the year to enable Registrars of the Department to make and give decisions on behalf of the Commission in connection with applications for benefits.