The aggregate annual rate of salaries of the contributors to the fund on the 31st March, 1908, was £446,607, as compared with £426,855 as at the end of the previous year, and the annual rate of contributions increased from £32,048 to £32,870, the actual amount of contributions received during the year being £32,676. Details are given in the following table:—

C.—STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTORS showing Annual Rates of Salaries and Contributions as at 31st March, 1908.

—	Number. M.	Number. F.	Number. Total.	Annual Salary. £ s. d.	Annual Contributions. £ s. d.
Contributors at 31st March, 1907 ...	1,427	1,385	2,812	426,855 0 0	32,048 0 0
New contributors entered during the year	84	163	247	34,600 0 0	1,860 0 0
Increase in salaries and contributions by promotion during the year	...	...	...	14,446 0 0	914 0 0
Totals	1,511	1,548	3,059	475,901 0 0	34,822 0 0
Contributions discontinued during the year by resignations, &c.	50	91	141	19,595 0 0	1,363 18 0
Number of informal applications registered in error and now cancelled	25	11	36	...	...
Decrease in salaries and contributions during the year	...	...	...	9,699 0 0	588 0 0
Totals at 31st March, 1908 ...	1,436	1,446	2,882	446,607 0 0	32,870 2 0

D.—PROGRESS OF CONTRIBUTORS SINCE DATE OF ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FUND (1st January, 1906, to 31st March, 1908).

—	Number. M.	Number. F.	Number. Total.	Annual Salary.	Annual Contributions. £ s. d.
Total entered (including increases in salary and contributions)	1,562	1,588	3,150	493,996	36,426 0 0
Total discontinued (including reductions in salary and contributions)	126	142	268	47,389	3,555 18 0
Total existing at 31st March, 1908 ...	1,436	1,446	2,882	446,607	32,870 2 0

The number of contributors to the fund who, having attained the statutory age of retirement, are still employed in the Education service shows a decrease of two since the end of the previous year:—

E.—CONTRIBUTORS OF THE STATUTORY AGE OF RETIREMENT.

Age: Years.	As at 31st March, 1908. M.	F.	Total.	As at 31st March, 1907. M.	F.	Total.
65–66	6	...	6	2	...	2
66–67	1	...	1	4	...	4
67–68	2	...	2	1	...	1
68–69	1	...	1	2	...	2
70–71	1	...	1	2	...	2
60–61	...	..	...	...	...	...
61–62	...	...	...	...	1	1
62–63	...	...	...	...	1	1
Totals	11	...	11	11	2	13

Particulars of retirements from the fund are given in Table I of the Appendix.