1922. NEW ZEALAND.

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PENSIONS DEPARTMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1922.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly pursuant to Section 70 of the Pensions Act, 1913.

The Commissioner of Pensions to the Hon. the Minister of Pensions.

Pensions Department, Wellington 1st July, 1922.

I have the honour to furnish herewith, for the information of Parliament, the report of the Department relating to war, old-age, widows', Maori War, miners', epidemic, and police pensions for the year ended 31st March, 1922.

The following comparative statements relate to the annual value and gross payments of all pensions administered by this Department for the past two years:—

Pensions in Force, and Annual Value.

					At 31st	March, 1921.	At 31st March, 1922.	
	Class of	Pension.			Number.	Annual Value.	Number.	Annual Value
						£		£
War					31,764	1.748,865	29,091	1.513,263
old-age					19,837	737,378	20,491	751,121
Vidows'					3,421	198,767	3,343	207,029
Iaori War					811	39,739	740	56,260
Iners'					474	29,686	506	31,505
Spidemic					849	71,486	683	54,994
Police					5	390	5	446
Totals	. ,				57,161	2,826,311	54,859	2,594,618

GROSS PAYMENTS.

		Class	of Pension.	1920–21.	1921–22.			
-				 		£	£	
War				 		1,886,952	1,726,174	
ld-age				 		731,343	743,620	
Vidows'				 		187,430	186,457	
Iaori War	• •			 		40,213	37 , 7 37	
liners'				 		26,972	31,212	
pidemic				 		72,456	65,486	
Police				 		436	433	
	Totals		• •	 		2,945,802	2,791,119	
lost per he	ad of Euro	pean p	opulation	 		£2 8s. 11d.	£2 4s. 9d	
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