

WAR PENSIONS.
TOTAL CLAIMS LODGED TO DATE.

	From Soldiers.	From Dependants.
From 1st September, 1915, to 31st March, 1916	798	681
Year 1916-17	3,958	2,017
Year 1917-18	8,148	3,754
Year 1918-19	14,749	5,292
Year 1919-20	11,493	3,990
Year 1920-21	1,081	1,878
Year 1921-22	367	891
Totals	40,594	18,503

GROSS ANNUAL VALUE OF ALL PENSIONS GRANTED TO DATE.

	Number.	Annual Value.	Average Pension.
From 1st September, 1915, to 31st March, 1916	1,214	£ 56,488	£ 46
Year 1916-17	5,316	285,707	53
Year 1917-18	10,587	780,057	73
Year 1918-19	16,954	1,167,081	68
Year 1919-20	15,183	872,627	57
Year 1920-21	2,207	163,713	66
Year 1921-22	945	63,685	67
Totals	52,406	3,389,358	64

NOTE.—The number of pensions granted as shown herein does not include children's pensions, the values of which, however, form part of the pensions payable to parents (or guardians), and are included in the annual-values total.

SUMMARY OF ANNUAL LIABILITY AT THE 31ST MARCH, 1922.

Class of Pension.	Number.	Annual Value.	Average Pension.
Soldiers (permanent)	4,650	£ 243,463	£ 52
Soldiers (temporary)	15,302	765,690	50
Dependants (temporary)	1,103	79,833	72
Widows of soldiers	1,986	219,542	111
Other dependants of deceased soldiers	6,050	204,735	34
Totals	29,091	1,513,263	52

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS.

The payments for war pensions show a slight decrease during the year, the figures compared with those of the previous year being as follows:—

	1920-21.	1921-22.
	£	£
Payments made in New Zealand	1,754,382	1,595,139
Payments made in London	72,994	64,772
Payments made in Australia	30,849	50,988
Payments made in Canada	..	2,876
Payments made in South Africa	..	367
Other foreign payments	252	316
Allotments paid after casualty	28,475	11,586
Other miscellaneous payments	..	130
Totals	1,886,952	1,726,174

Summary of Total Actual Payments to the 31st March, 1922. £

From 1st September, 1915, to 31st March, 1916	13,910
Year 1916-17	180,389
Year 1917-18	515,445
Year 1918-19	1,199,755
Year 1919-20	1,812,419
Year 1920-21	1,886,952
Year 1921-22	1,726,174
	<u>£7,335,044</u>