

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS.

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

	1923-24.	1924-25.
	£	£
Payments made in New Zealand	1,219,513	1,143,246
Payments made in London	59,064	57,329
Payments made in Australia	33,625	41,138
Payments made in Canada	2,229	2,296
Payments made in South Africa	397	154
Other foreign payments	732	320
Totals	£1,315,560	£1,244,483

Summary of Total Payments to the 31st March, 1925.

	£
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
Year 1922-23	1,489,392
Year 1923-24	1,315,560
Year 1924-25	1,244,483
	£11,384,479

PENSIONS PAYABLE OUTSIDE NEW ZEALAND AS AT THE 31ST MARCH, 1925.

	Soldiers.		Wives of Soldiers.	Dependants.		Annual Liability.
	Permanent.	Temporary.	Temporary.	Widows.	Other Dependants.	
Great Britain	129	165	12	149	746	£ 59,499
Australia	110	231	8	59	204	33,298
Other countries	25	37	1	7	24	4,507
Totals	264	433	21	215	974	97,304

APPEALS.

Statement in regard to the Work of the War Pensions Appeal Board during the Year ended 31st March, 1925, and also since the Passing of the Legislation creating the Board.

Appeals outstanding on 31st March, 1924	368
Appeals lodged during 1924-25	585
	953
Appeals dismissed during 1924-25	504
Appeals upheld during 1924-25	249
Appeals withdrawn and struck out during 1924-25	26
Appeals not under Act during 1924-25	2
Pensions made permanent during 1924-25	1
	782
Outstanding on 31st March, 1925	171

(Outstanding on 1st May, 1925, 142; on 1st June, 1925, 104.)

From these figures it will be seen that the number of appeals remaining to be dealt with is gradually being reduced.

Summary since Creation of Board.

	To 31st March, 1924.	1924-25.	Total.
Appeals dismissed	97	504	601
Appeals upheld	86	249	335
Appeals withdrawn and struck out	4	26	30
Appeals not under Act	3	2	5
Pensions made permanent	4	1	5
Totals	194	782	976
Total claims lodged	562	585	1,147