

STATISTICS IN REGARD TO CIVIL PENSIONS.

	Old-age.	Widows'.	Maori War.	Miners'.	Blind.	Epidemic.
Pensions in force at 31st March, 1928 ..	24,875	4,098	308	721	259	209
New pensions granted, 1928-29	3,614	823	..	94	43	..
Deaths during 1928-29	1,968	5	49	53	14	..
Cancellations during 1928-29	411	584	..	2	6	21
Net increase or decrease	+1,235	+234	-49	+39	+23	-21
Pensions in force at 31st March, 1929 ..	26,110	4,332	259	{ 379* 381† }	282	188
Total children in receipt of pension, 31st March, 1929 ..	..	9,284	..	..	..	360
Total European pensioners sixty-five years and over at 31st March, 1929 ..	21,101	..	..	..	..	..
Total female European pensioners sixty years to sixty four years at 31st March, 1929 ..	3,487	..	..	..	..	..
Percentage of European pensioners to total European population ..	1.75	..	..	..	..	..
Total Maori pensioners	1,487	299	84	..	24	..
New claims lodged	4,564	923	1	117	52	..
New claims rejected	936	100	1	25	12	..
Number of children on whose account pension granted ..	..	1,950	..	..	..	..
Annual liability at 31st March, 1929 ..	£1,091,262	£322,861	£12,691	£48,367	£13,529	£8,030
Average pension per annum	£41 16s.	£74 11s.	£49	£63 13s.	£48	£42 14s.
Gross expenditure for year 1928-29 ..	£1,060,760	£313,964	£13,653	£48,074	£13,334	£7,988
Increase or decrease on figures of previous year ..	+£50,185	+£9,898	-£2,737	+£2,978	+£1,070	-£759
Cost per head of European population ..	15s. 1d.	4s. 6d.	2-3d.	8-2d.	2-3d.	1-4d.
Credit from national endowment	£40,686	..	..	..	..	..
Credit from gold duty	..	..	..	£2,377	..	..
Refund paid to Public Account	£1,685	£919	..	..	£3	..
Number of pensioners in homes and hospitals ..	1,095	..	8	6	81	..
Amount paid to controlling authorities of these ..	£49,048	..	£453	£417	£4,478	..
Number of pensioners in mental hospitals ..	123	..	..	1	2	..
Amount paid to Mental Hospitals Department on account of these ..	£5,021	..	..	£46	£35	..
Unpaid instalments as at 31st March, 1929 ..	£6,753	£2,304	£65	£126	£90	£8
Instalments forfeited and subsequently paid ..	£2,474	£948	£20	£74	£111	£1
Average of total family of pensioners ..	..	3-95	..	..	..	..
Average of family under fifteen years ..	..	2-14	..	..	..	..
Total claims lodged to date	102,685	14,054	1,890	1,819	434	..
Total claims established	80,405	11,888	1,697	1,541	334	972
Total claims rejected	21,829	2,095	193	270	95	..
Total number of children benefited	..	29,181	..	..	..	..
Total deaths	43,753	101	1,433	585	40	13
Total guardians appointed	..	213	..	..	..	..
Total cancellations	10,542	7,455	5	196	12	771
Grand total paid to date	£15,691,101	£2,640,041	£562,718	£394,348	£45,025	£444,253
Total credit from gold duty	..	..	..	£43,205	..	..
Total amount paid on account funeral expenses ..	..	..	..	£5,248	..	..
Total credit from national endowment ..	£583,892	..	..	..	..	..

Total European population at 31st March, 1929, 1,404,956.

* Miners.

† Widows.

RETURN OF DOUBLE PENSIONS AT 31ST MARCH, 1929.

War—	Number.	Maori War—	Number.
Old-age	1,471	Special annuity ..	2
Widows'	127	Widows'—	
Family allowance	131	Epidemic	176
Miners'	14	Miners'	48
Blind	7	Miners'—	
Boer War	2	Family allowance ..	10
Special annuity	2	Maori War	2
Old-age—		Special annuity	1
Miners	204	Blind—	
Maori War	62	Family allowance ..	9
Family allowance	14	Special annuity	1
Boer War	4		
Special annuity	12		
			2,299

RETURN OF TRIPLE PENSIONS AT 31ST MARCH, 1929.

War—	Number.
Old-age and miners'	5
Old-age and family allowance	1
Widows' and miners'	1
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