

PAYMENTS ON BEHALF OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS.

The following figures relate to the war and other pensions paid by the Department during the year on behalf of other Governments :—

Government.	Class of Pension.	Number at 31st March, 1937.	Annual Value.	Average Pension.	Payments, 1936-37.
			£	£ s. d.	£
Great Britain	War	1,377	72,324	53 0 0	} 158,153
"	Army and civil ..	760	52,199	69 0 0	
Australia	War	515	24,167	46 18 6	26,518
India	Army and civil ..	59	14,949	253 0 0	20,339
South Africa	War	4	372	93 0 0	} 5,789
"	Civil	31	4,076	131 0 0	
Crown Colonies	"	38	9,861	260 0 0	11,963
Canada	War	1	216	216 6 8	566
Totals		2,785	178,164	..	223,328

WAR PENSIONS.

SUMMARY OF WAR PENSION PAYMENTS.

	Payments made in						Total.
	London.	Australia.	Canada.	South Africa.	Foreign Countries.	New Zealand.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Total payments to 31st March, 1936	1,064,912	623,076	36,782	6,617	10,882	23,084,950	24,827,219
Payments in 1936-37	50,739	30,582	2,267	590	801	1,398,366	1,483,345
Total payments to 31st March, 1937	1,115,651	653,658	39,049	7,207	11,683	24,483,316	26,310,564

The amount paid for the year ended 31st March, 1937, shows an increase over the preceding year of £133,898.

SUMMARY OF ANNUAL LIABILITY AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1937.

Class of Pension.	Number of Pensioners.	Number of Children.	Annual Value.	Average Pension.
			£	£
Soldiers (permanent)	10,647	33	621,630	58
Soldiers (temporary)	4,444	35	318,423	72
Dependants of disabled soldiers	3,252	5,809	262,477	81
Widows (without children)	1,332	..	128,256	96
Widows (with children)	385	740	63,314	164
Other dependants of deceased soldiers—				
Parents	3,441	..	129,399	38
Other adult dependants	75	..	2,516	34
Guardians of children	135	231	6,409	47
Totals, &c.	23,711	6,848	1,532,424	65