TABLE 3.—CLAIMS RECEIVED (in Districts), and how disposed of-continued.

				Total Number of Claims	Claims awaiting Investiga-	For Fin	Claims awaiting Investiga-			
Dir	strict.			received since Act came into Force.	tion on 31st Mar., 1908.	Claims received.	Claims esta- blished.	Claims rejected.	tion on 31st Mar., 1909.	
Brought forv	vard	•••	•••	29,125	539	2,243	1,683	402	697	
Dunedin	•••	•••	•••	3,023	23	301	203	61	60	
Balclutha		•••		323	9	21	19	5	6	
Clyde				277	8	14	11	2	9	
Lawrence	•••			454	4	24	21	2	5 3	
Milton			•••	306	3	35	32	3	3	
Naseby				247	10	12	14	2	6	
Palmerston South				134	4	10	3	1	10	
Waikouaiti	kouaiti	•••	80	3	4	5	2			
Invercargill	• • •	· · ·		1,433	16	99	65	9	41	
Gore	•••		•••	55	12	18	17	8	5	
Queenstown	•••	•••		$\frac{258}{361}$	4	17	16	•••	5	
Riverton	Riverton				5	33	. 21	1	16	
Chatham Islands	14	• • •	3	3	•••					
Port Chalmers (agency closed)				338	••••	•••	•••	•••		
				36,428	640	2,834	2,113	498	863	

Table 4.—Original Nationalities of Pensioners to whom new Pensions were granted during the Financial Year ended the 31st March, 1909.

	Nun		Nun	ıber.						
$\operatorname{British}$	(English)	946	British (Cape-Colo	nist)	1	Bohemian	•••		2
,,	(Irish)	460	, (Norfolk-Is	lander)	1	Polish	•••		2
,,	(Scotch)	385	" (South-Aus	tralian)	1	Portuguese	•••		2
"	(New-Zealander)	52	German	•••		26	Swiss	•••		2
,,	(Welsh)	20	Danish		•••	15	Finn		• • •	1
"	(Tasmanian)	15	Swedish	•••	•••	12	Greek	•••		1
"	(New South Wales)	13	Norwegi	an		6	Russian	•••		1
"	(Victorian)	7	French	•••		4	Maoris			110
,,	(Canadian)	6	Italian	•••	• • •	4				
. #	(Channel-Islander)	5	America	n		3	Tota	l	2,	113
"	(Nova-Scotian)	3	Austrian		•••	3				
"	(Barbadoes colonist)) 1	Prussian	ı		3				

These pensioners are now all British subjects, as required by law.

Table 5.—Sex and Conjugal Condition of Pensioners who were admitted during the Year ended the 31st March, 1909.

Sex.	Single.	Married.	Widowed.	Totals.
\mathbf{Males}	 281	646	317	1,244
Females	 27	389	453	869
Totals	 308	1,035	770	2,113

Table 6.—Ages of Pensioners admitted during the Year ended the 31st March, 1909.

	Number.						Number.								Number.		
At age	65	•••		582	At age	75	•••	• • • •	59	At	age	e 85			• • •	1	
,,	66			271	"	76		•••	45		,,	86	• • • •			5	
"	67			186	"	77	•••		39		,,	87				1	
. ,,	68		• • • •	202	"	78		• • •	31		"	88				5	
,,	69	• • •	•••	123	"	79	•••	• • • •	30	ĺ	,,	89	• • •			2	
"	70	•••		116	. "	80	•••.		19	1	"	90	• • •		•••	2	
. ,,	71	•••	• • •	111	"	81		•••	10	1	t#	92	• • •		• • •	1	
"	72	•••	• • • •	93	" .	82	• • •		12	1	"	106	• • •	•		1	
"	73	• • •	• • • •	73	"	83		• • •	11								
. "	74	• • •	• • •	75	# "	84	•••	•••	7			Total	•••		2,	113	