

## 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	
Totals	..	12,904	6,452	

  

	Officers.	Men.	Total.
Total casualties by death (including missing) to 31st March, 1918	513	11,424	11,937
Total discharges from Forces to 31st March, 1918	567	14,199	14,766

## GROSS ANNUAL VALUE OF ALL PENSIONS GRANTED TO DATE.

	No.	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	709,857	67
	17,117	£1,052,052	£61
Increase under 1917 Act	..	70,200	..
Totals	17,117*	£1,122,252	£65

\* 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 total values above.

## SUMMARY OF ANNUAL LIABILITY AT 31ST MARCH, 1918.

Class of Pension.	Number.	Annual Value.	Average Pension.
		£	£
Soldiers (permanent)	900	43,703	48
Soldiers (temporary)	8,405	572,023	68
Widows of soldiers	1,099	133,547*	121
Other dependants of deceased soldiers	3,265	109,619	33
Wives and other dependants of disabled soldiers	828	45,491†	54
Totals	14,497	904,383	62

\* Including the pensions of 1,386 children.

† Including the pensions of 988 children.

Including the 2,374 children, the average of the grand total of 16,871 pensions in force on the 31st March, 1918, is £53 per annum.

## RETURN SHOWING NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER SIXTEEN IN RECEIPT OF PENSIONS AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1918, GROUPED IN FAMILIES.

Number of Children in Family.						Deceased Soldiers.		Disabled Soldiers.	
						Number.	Total Children.	Number.	Total Children
9	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	..	..
8	..	..	..	..	..	2	16	..	..
7	..	..	..	..	..	4	28	4	28
6	..	..	..	..	..	11	66	8	48
5	..	..	..	..	..	15	75	21	105
4	..	..	..	..	..	47	188	47	188
3	..	..	..	..	..	92	276	71	213
2	..	..	..	..	..	171	342	107	214
1	..	..	..	..	..	386	386	192	192
Totals	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,386	..	988

There are 370 widows of soldiers in receipt of pensions who have no children.