

MINERS' PENSIONS.

	Total.
Pensions in force at 31st March, 1918	270
Deaths during 1918-19	41
Cancellations, 1918-19	71
New pensions granted, 1918-19	82
Net decrease	30
Pensions in force at 31st March, 1919	240
Year 1918-19.	
New claims lodged	99
New claims rejected	7
Number of pensioners not in receipt of war bonus	49
Annual liability at close of year (statutory pension)	£10,120
Annual liability at close of year (including allowance under Finance Act, 1917)	£12,603
Average pension (statutory)	£42
Average pension (total)	£52
Gross expenditure for year (statutory pension)	£10,721
Gross expenditure for year (including allowance under Finance Act, 1917)	£13,276
Increase on figures of previous year	£1
Cost per head of European population	2½d.
Credit to vote from gold duty	£4,416
Absolutely forfeited instalments	£95
Instalments forfeited and subsequently paid	£94
Refunds paid to Public Account	£10
Total claims lodged to date	526
Total claims established	446
Total claims rejected	58
Total deaths	110
Total cancellations	96
Total amount paid to date	£36,126
Total credit from gold duty	£15,819
Total amount paid on account of funeral expenses	£1,034

NUMBER OF PENSIONS AT EACH RATE GRANTED SINCE COMMENCEMENT.

	Annual Value.
	£
179 at £52 per annum	9,308
88 at £39 per annum	3,432
178 at £32 10s. per annum	5,785
1 at £50 per annum	50
446	£18,575

AGES (IN GROUPS) OF PENSIONERS AT 31ST MARCH, 1919.

	Miners.	Widows.
31-40	3	7
41-50	24	23
51-60	33	29
61-70	53	20
71-75	22	3
Over 76	20	3
	155	85
	240	

COST OF ADMINISTRATION.

	£
Salaries	13,512
Contribution to Post Office	5,000
Fees for certificates of age	6
Honoraria of members of War Pensions Board	523
Interpreters' fees	1
Light, firing, and water	91
Medical fees	7,047
Office requisites	236
Postage and telegrams	2,450
Printing and stationery	1,860
Telephones	82
Travelling-expenses	830
Contingencies	891
Allowances to officers temporarily performing higher duties	140
Proportion of rent of High Commissioner's Office, London	200
War bonus	1,168
	£34,037
Number of officers on staff at 31st March, 1919	175
Percentage of cost of administration to total expenditure for year (£2,087,355)	1.63