

WIDOWS' PENSIONS.

	European.	Maori.	Total.
Pensions in force at the 31st March, 1921	3,267	154	3,421
New pensions granted, 1921-22	497	26	523
Cancellations, 1921-22	575	26	601
Net decrease	78
Pensions in force at the 31st March, 1922	3,189	154	3,343
Total children in receipt of pensions at the 31st March, 1922	9,118
Year 1921-22			
New claims lodged	641
New claims rejected	123
Annual liability at close of year	£207,029
Average pension	£62
Gross expenditure for year	£186,457
Decrease on figures of previous year	£973
Cost per head of European population	3s. 0d.
Refunds paid to Public Account	£312
Absolutely forfeited instalments	£1,206
Instalments forfeited and subsequently paid	£1,836
Average of total family of pensioners	4.3
Average of family under fourteen years	2.7
Total claims lodged to date	8,353	
Total claims established	6,967	
Total number of children benefited	17,290	
Total deaths	139	
Total guardians appointed	81	
Total cancellations	3,566	
Grand total paid to date	£806,573	

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN ON WHOSE ACCOUNT PENSION GRANTED.

	Number of Pensioners.	Children under Fourteen.
1911-12	791	1,923
1912-13	657	1,604
1913-14	421	1,090
1914-15	458	1,158
1915-16	444	1,180
1916-17	421	1,075
1917-18	509	1,198
1918-19	1,349	3,252
1919-20	767	1,870
1920-21	627	1,624
1921-22	523	1,316
Totals	6,967	17,290

MAORI WAR PENSIONS.

	European.	Maori.	Total.
Pensions in force at the 31st March, 1921	623	188	811
Deaths during 1921-22	60	12	72
New pensions granted, 1921-22	1	..	1
Net decrease	71
Pensions in force at the 31st March, 1922	564	176	740
Year 1921-22			
New claims lodged	1
Number of pensioners previously in receipt of old-age pensions	218
Annual liability at close of year	£36,260
Average pension	£49
Gross expenditure for year	£37,737
Cost per head of European population	7d.
Refunds paid to Public Account	£4 1s. 8d.
Decrease on figures of previous year	£2,476
Pensioners in homes and hospitals	37
Amount paid to controlling authorities of these	£1,917
Absolutely forfeited instalments	£215
Instalments forfeited and subsequently paid	£329
Total claims lodged to date	1,880	
Total claims established	1,694	
Total deaths	952	
Total cancellations	2	
Grand total paid to date	£398,948	