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ACCIDENT INSURANCE BRANCH OF THE GOVERN-MENT INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

(ANNUAL REPORT ON THE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1921.

Laid before Parliament pursuant to Section 22 of the Government Accident Insurance Act, 1908.

Government Insurance Office, Wellington, 14th June, 1922.

I HAVE the honour to submit my report on the business of the Accident Insurance Branch of the Department for the year ended 31st December, 1921, together with the Revenue Account and Balance-sheet.

The gross premium income amounted to £36,288, and, after deducting reinsurances, to £35,932, a record amount.

The claims were £16,786, an increase of £1,811 as compared with the previous year.

The gross return from interest was £6,794, as compared with £6,209 in 1920. The sum of £1,020 was paid in taxes.

The ratio of management expenses to premiums was 27.3 per cent., and to total income 23.6 per cent., both these ratios being below those of the last few years.

The Balance-sheet shows an increase of £13,000 in War Loan stock, and the total holding by the Accident Branch is now £97,500, in addition to £10,000 debentures under the Finance Act, 1915, the two together representing 72 per cent. of the total invested funds.

The Accident Fund at the end of last year—viz., £23,212—was transferred to the Reserve Fund constituted under section 20 of the Government Accident Insurance Act. The statutory Reserve Fund now stands at £115,020. The total assets at the end of the year amount to £157,254.

J. H. RICHARDSON, Government Insurance Commissioner. REVENUE ACCOUNT OF THE ACCIDENT BRANCH OF THE GOVERNMENT INSURANCE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1921.

		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Amount of Accident Fun				Claims	16,786	2	5	
1921		23,211	15	0	Commission	4,256	3	11
Premiums	£36,287 18 10				Salaries	4,065		0
Less reinsurance pre-					Expenses of management	1,506	8	11
miums	355 15 3		_	_	Further appropriation to Reserve for un-		_	
Total	00 504 0 5	35,932	3	7		2,718	U	U
Interest Less land and income	£6,794 2 7				Further transfer to Reserve Fund (section			
	1,020 0 0				20, Government Accident Insurance	09 011	15	Δ
tax	1,020 0 0	5.774	2	77	Act)	23,211 902		
		0,714	4	'	Amount of Accident Funds, 31st Decem-	902	.,	Ψ.
				- 1	ber, 1921	11.472	7	7
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		£64,918	1	2		£64,918	1	2
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Balance-sheet of the Accident Branch of the Government Insurance Department on 31st December, 1921.

$\it Liabilities.$ $\it \pounds$		s.	d.	Assets.	£	s.	d.
Accident Funds, as per Revenue Account	11,472	7	7	Debentures issued under authority of the			
Claims admitted (proofs not yet com-	,-			Finance Act, 1915	10,000	0	0
pleted)	9,000	0	0	New Zealand Inscribed Stock — War			
Commission	345	2	10	Loans	97,500	0	0
Premium and other deposits	80		9		41,820	0	0
Sundry creditors	1,985			Overdue interest £46 15 0			
Officers' Fidelity Fund	200	0	0	Outstanding interest due but			
Reserve for unearned premiums	16,151						
Investment Fluctuation Reserve	3,000	0	0	Interest accrued but not due 1,362 13 5			
Reserve Fund constituted under sec-					1,556	4	4
tion 20 of the Government Accident				Agents' balances	147	3	6
Insurance Act, 1908	115,019	19	11	Cash in hand and on current account	6,230	5	7
	£157,253	12			£157,253	12	- -
	E101,200	19			2101,200	10	

J. H. RICHARDSON, Commissioner. GEO. W. BARLTROP, Secretary.

Government Insurance Department, 6th April, 1922.

The Audit Office, having examined the Revenue Account and Balance-sheet, and compared them with the relative books, documents, and securities, hereby certifies them to be in accordance therewith.

G. F. C. CAMPBELL, Controller and Auditor-General.

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