

TABLE III.—NUMBER of PENSIONS GRANTED since the Act came into Operation; and NUMBER of DEATHS, CERTIFICATES CANCELLED, PENSIONS LAPSED and in FORCE at End of each Year.

Year ended	Number of Pensions granted.	Number of Deaths of Pensioners.	Number of Pension Certificates cancelled.	Number of Pensions lapsed.	Number of Pensions in Force at End of Year.
31st March, 1899 ...	7,487	38	6	...	7,443
" 1900 ...	4,699	786	65	6	11,285
Total ...	12,186	824	71	6	...

RETURN showing COST of ADMINISTRATION of "The Old-age Pensions Act, 1898," for the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1900.

Salaries—			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Registrar ...	...	...	100	0	0			
Deputy Registrars ...	...	...	150	0	0			
						250	0	0
Other Charges—								
Clerical assistance ...	...	...	1,124	3	3			
Contribution to Post Office ...	...	...	465	18	9			
Travelling expenses and Interpreters' fees	308	13	7			
Sundries	211	12	5			
						2,110	8	0
Total				£2,360	8	0

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