

Of the number of contributors who retired during the year 28 (including 4 medically unfit cases) were granted annual allowances (£2,391 14s. 6d.); 7 widows and 15 children, the representatives of 8 contributors who died, were granted annual allowances (£321) and also a refund of contributions (£389 3s. 2d). The total number of retired contributors on account of whom annual allowances were granted during the period was therefore 36. To the legal representatives of one contributor who died before he was entitled to a pension was granted a refund of the contributions made by the deceased to the fund amounting to £46 15s. 8d. To 76 contributors who voluntarily retired from the Education service before becoming entitled to participate in the benefits of the fund contributions amounting to £1, 389 3s. 4d. were returned. The total number of contributors who retired from the Education service during the period was 113.

2. PARTICULARS OF CONTRIBUTIONS DISCONTINUED during the Year ending 31st December, 1909.

How discontinued.	Number of Contributors.			Annual Rate at Date of Retirement.		Allowances granted.					
	M.	F.	Total.	Salary.	Contributions.	Pensions: Annual Rate.		Other Payments (non-recurring).			
By death before pension entered upon—				£	£ s. d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Contributions paid to personal representative	1	...	1	245	17 3 0	...			46	15	8
Leaving widow or child ...	8	...	8	2,205	205 12 0	321	0	0	389	3	2
By voluntary retirement ...	13	63	76	9,837	551 15 0	...			1,389	3	4
Medically unfit—											
(a.) Not over fifteen years' service		
(b.) Over fifteen years' service	4	...	4	1,005	80 9 0	342	15	2	...		
By retirement at pension age ...	15	9	24	4,193	390 13 0	2,048	19	4	...		
Totals ...	41	72	113	17,485	1,245 12 0	2,712	14	6	1,825	2	2

Seven pensioners died during the year, leaving five widows and five children under fourteen years of age, to whom annual allowances were granted; five children having attained the age of fourteen years their allowance consequently ceased; and one pensioner, having failed to re-establish his claim to an allowance as being medically unfit, was, in view of the medical report furnished, informed that his allowance would no longer be maintained.

Further details are given in the following table:—