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NEW ZEALAND.

POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT:
OLD-AGE PENSIONS DIVISION

(TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE), FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1910.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly pursuant to Section 69 of the Old-age Pensions Act, 1908.

The COMMISSIONER OF OLD-AGE PENSIONS to the Right Hon. the MINISTER OF FINANCE.

SIR,—

Old-age Pensions Office, Wellington, 31st May, 1910.

I have the honour to submit herewith my report relating to old-age pensions for the year ended the 31st March last.

The amalgamation of the Old-age Pensions Office with the Post and Telegraph Department took place, in accordance with your instructions, on the 1st May, 1909.

Of the fourteen officers then occupied in the Old-age Pensions Office it was found that the services of seven were no longer needed. Savings were also effected in the working of the district offices.

The total saving amounts to £5,744 per annum.

The administrative office of the Old-age Pensions is now attached to the General Post Office.

The transfer of the extensive records of the Old-age Pensions Office to the General Post Office occasioned no inconvenience to pensioners.

During the past year the new arrangements have worked smoothly and well. Every advantage has been taken of the amalgamation to utilise postal officers for duties formerly performed by Registrars only, and thus to study the convenience of the old people in every way possible.

As time goes on and further necessity arises no effort will be spared to further the success of the Act, and, while strictly observing the conditions laid down by law, give every assistance to both claimants and pensioners.

It was soon evident that further amendments were necessary to the Act, especially to meet the urgent and reasonable demand that those in possession of a home should not be too severely penalised thereby.

An amending Act passed both Houses of the Legislature, receiving the Governor's assent on the 24th December, 1909. Its provisions embody a new departure in arriving at the eligibility of applicants for the pension, inasmuch as an endeavour has been made therein to establish an equality in regard to the deductions made on account of income and property. The basis of this co-ordination as between income and property is the fact that, at age 65, the approximate sum required to purchase from any life assurance company an annuity for life equal to the maximum amount of income—namely, £34—that admits of the payment of a full pension, is £340. £340, therefore, has been fixed as the maximum amount of property that will not debar an applicant, under certain conditions, from qualifying for the full amount payable under the Act. Under previous Acts the maximum amount of property that admitted of the payment of the full pension was £150.

If the £340 represents the value of a home, including furniture or personal effects, and the applicant is without income, the full amount is payable without restriction. If, however, the £340 consists of cash or other form of property, its conversion into a home of equal or less value is necessary to enable an applicant without income to qualify for the full benefits under the Act. Moreover, if the £340, being cash, is invested in an annuity with any life assurance company, the pension payable is regulated by the amount of the annuity, which in turn is dependent upon the age of the applicant at the date of investment. When the property does not constitute a home, or furniture or personal effects, the old order of applying it in reduction of the pension at the rate of £1 for every £10 in the capital value obtains, the former allowances other than encumbrances being done away with.

It was inevitable, with the inauguration of a scheme such as this, which has removed so many of the anomalies created by previous enactments, that there should be individual cases among the existing pensioners of apparent hardship, particularly among the owners of small sums of money; but to these

the Act, as now framed, actually offers advantages by reason of the provisions exempting on the property side any sum invested in the manner hereinbefore described. There are already on record cases where the owners of cash, whose pensions would otherwise have been subject to reduction, have qualified for the full pension in this way.

Other features of the Act under review may be mentioned—namely, the provision enabling the owner of a home of any value to transfer the said property to the Public Trustee in return for a full pension and the further condition, contingent thereon, giving the next-of-kin the right to redeem the property at death by payment of the sum that would otherwise not have been payable but for the transfer. The law previously limited the value of the home transferable, and made it incumbent on the Public Trustee to sell the property at death.

The total cost of the additional pensions under the amending Act is estimated at £15,000 per annum.

Consequent on the amendments to the Act in recent years, and also on the change in the administration, which latter has enabled a wider use to be made of the Postal service for the convenience of pensioners, it has been found necessary to bring the regulations under the Acts up to date. These were signed by the Governor on the 24th January last, and, in accordance with the law, will be laid upon the table of the House.

PENSIONS IN FORCE.

As is to be expected, the number of pensioners continues to increase, there being on the roll on the 31st March a total of 15,320, including 694 members of the Native race.

The increase on the figures of the previous year is 924, thus:—

				European.	Maori.	Total.
New pensions granted	..	..	..	2,214	90	2,304
Deduct deaths	..	..	..	1,094	75	..
Deduct cancellations	..	..	..	200	11	1,380
Increase	..	..	..	..	..	924

In addition to this pronounced increase in the actual numbers, I have also to report a further increase in the percentage of pensioners to the population eligible by age and residence, which now stands at 36 per cent. In 1901 this percentage was 42 per cent.; in 1906 it had dropped to 31 per cent., since which year it has been gradually rising as indicated hereunder:—

On 31st March,		Europeans eligible by Age and Residence.	European Pensioners.	Percentage.
1906	... .. (Actual)*	37,367	11,915	31
1907	... .. (Estimated)	38,611	12,597	32
1908	... .. "	39,336	12,912	32
1909	... .. "	40,176	13,705	34
1910	... .. "	40,238	14,626	36

* See "Census Report," 1906, page 37.

The percentage of pensioners to the population eligible by age only is 32 per cent. Last year it was 30 per cent.

Two reasons can be ascribed for this upward tendency—namely, the widening of the scope of the Act by the amendments of 1908 and 1909, and the very evident desire of the aged community to avail themselves of the benefits of the Act at the earliest possible opportunity. There is no doubt that the financial stringency during last winter assisted in swelling the ranks of the pensioners; but a marked feature of the transactions right through the year has been the number of successful applicants who had just reached the pension-age, or had just completed the necessary period of residence. With the present indications of the effect of the 1909 Act, which had been only three months in operation at the close of the year, there is every reason to anticipate that this percentage will be further increased during the current year.

Of the total number of pensioners, 11,827 are in receipt of the full pension of £26. This represents 77 per cent. of the whole, as against 78 per cent. in the previous year.

Of the 7,487 pensioners admitted in the first three months of the Act eleven years ago, 1,912 are still on the roll.

The European pensioners of the age of ninety and over number 105. Eight are of the age of ninety-five and over, and one is over one hundred.

Further details regarding the ages of pensioners and of their distribution throughout the Dominion appear in the appendix of this report (Tables 4 and 7).

NEW CLAIMS.

The number of claims lodged during the year totalled 2,892, an increase of 58 on the figures of the previous year. These, with the 865 awaiting investigation at the seventy-three agencies of the office on the 31st March, 1909, made a total of 3,757 dealt with. These are accounted for as follows:—

Granted	..	..	..	..	..	2,304
Rejected (including withdrawals, deaths, &c.)	..	..	..	..	..	677
Awaiting investigation on the 31st March, 1910	..	..	..	..	..	776
Total	..	..	..	..	..	3,757

The total claims lodged since the Act came into operation now number 39,316. Of these, 30,034 have been granted, and 51 per cent. of the latter are still in force.

It may be noted that, whereas the number of claims lodged during the year totalled 2,892, the European population who became eligible by age and residence during the year, being those who were sixty-one years of age and resident twenty-one years in April, 1906, as shown by the Registrar-General's report of the census of that year already quoted, only numbered 2,886. It is not intended that this should indicate that the whole of the latter have found it necessary to apply for the pension, for the new applicants in each year must, and do always, include a considerable number of people who were eligible by age and residence in previous years; but it will, however, serve to show the tendency there is (already referred to) to make early application for participation in the scheme.

The usual assistance has been rendered to applicants in securing the necessary evidence of age. Of the total number of applicants during the year—i.e., 2,892—no less than 874 were unable to prove their ages; and, as a result of the inquiries made by Head Office in these cases, 517 were enabled to get their pensions, while 142 were found to be short of the pension-age. In 146 cases no evidence could be traced, and in the remaining 69 replies from outside the Dominion are still awaited.

The new pensioners include 90 members of the Native race. Of the remainder, 2,109 are of British extraction, including 66 whites born in New Zealand.

Further particulars regarding the claims made and the new pensions granted appear in the appendix (Tables 4, 5, and 6).

ANNUAL PAYMENTS.

The gross payments made on account of pensions during the year totalled £362,495 11s., being £25,735 14s. 10d. in excess of the payments of the previous year. After making allowance for payments not passed through the accounts on account of some informality, and also for refunds of pensions overpaid, the net charge against the Consolidated Fund was £362,195 16s., to which has been applied a credit of £20,142 12s. 7d., being revenue from the endowment lands.

The net increase in the cost for the year accordingly stands at £5,521 1s. 10d.

The total now paid since the Act came into operation has reached the sum of £2,767,011.

The distribution of the year's payments in the various parts of the Dominion is indicated by the following table:—

Postal District.	Number.	Amount.		
		£	s.	d.
Auckland	36,982	75,116	2	2
Thames	6,503	13,565	10	10
Gisborne	1,369	2,587	2	4
Napier	6,471	13,038	1	6
New Plymouth	3,091	6,260	11	7
Wanganui	5,324	11,091	1	2
Wellington	17,831	36,107	8	4
Nelson	3,636	7,359	7	1
Blenheim	2,007	4,126	1	0
Christchurch	29,468	60,183	13	7
Timaru	6,783	13,574	0	11
Greymouth	6,290	13,295	10	0
Hokitika	6,432	13,591	9	10
Westport	3,439	7,267	2	8
Oamaru	3,747	7,640	18	8
Dunedin	27,304	54,653	3	7
Invercargill	11,162	23,038	5	9
	177,839	362,495	11	0

The following table shows the gross amount paid since the Act came into force, together with the cost per head of the population (exclusive of Maoris) in each year:—

	Gross Payments on Account of Pensions.	Population at End of Year.	Cost per Head of Population.
	£		s. d.
Three months ended 31st March, 1899 (at £18)	3,124	746,676	0 1
Year ended 31st March, 1900 (at £18)	157,342	758,617	1 1
" " 1901 "	197,292	772,719	5 1
" " 1902 "	207,468	789,994	5 3
" " 1903 "	210,140	814,842	5 2
" " 1904 "	203,164	838,954	4 10
" " 1905 "	195,475	864,971	4 6
" " 1906 (at £18 and £26)...	254,367	889,968	5 8
" " 1907 (at £26)	314,184	913,873	6 10
" " 1908 "	325,199	937,587	6 11
" " 1909 "	336,760	968,313	6 11
" " 1910 "	362,496	987,480	7 4*
Total	£2,767,011		

* Reduced to 6s. 11d. if the net payments are taken.

RECOVERIES.

Overpaid pensions refunded and paid to the credit of the Public Account during the year totalled £319 11s. 9d. The total sum overpaid and refunded since the Act came into operation now stands at £6,606 6s. 4d.

COST OF ADMINISTRATION.

The cost of administration during the year was £3,290 2s. 3d., made up as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Salaries	2,702	13	4
Lodging-allowances	72	0	0
Non-permanent Postmasters, for paying pensions	293	3	9
Fees for certificates of age	18	16	6
Interpreters' fees	11	16	6
Travelling-expenses	44	5	3
Miscellaneous.. .. .	147	6	11
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	3,290	2	3

FORFEITED INSTALMENTS.

The instalments due last year and remaining unpaid on the 31st March amounted to £1,088 3s. 6d. £938 10s. 2d. of this amount represents absolutely forfeited instalments on which there is no further claim, the balance being instalments the payment of which is in abeyance.

The absolutely forfeited instalments in each month are,—

1909.	Absolutely Forfeited Instalments.		
	£	s.	d.
April	129	1	8
May	116	18	4
June	79	5	0
July	66	13	4
August	88	8	4
September	105	11	8
October	57	4	8
November	84	7	11
December	64	8	4
1910.			
January	74	0	11
February	40	16	10
March	31	13	2
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Total	£938	10	2

HOMES AND HOSPITALS.

The amount paid to the controlling bodies of the various homes and hospitals in New Zealand during the past year totalled £19,949 8s. 10d., the number of pensioners being maintained therein on the 31st March being 793. Full details in regard to these payments, which do not carry a Government subsidy, are set out in the appendix (Table 9).

The decrease in the annual expenditure on outdoor relief since the Old-age Pensions Act came into force in 1898 is indicated by the following table:—

Year ended	European Population.	Annual Cost of Outdoor Relief.		Cost per Head of Population.
		£	s. d.	
31st March, 1899	746,676	50,850	1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
" 1900	758,617	41,790	1 1 $\frac{1}{4}$	
" 1901	772,719	42,181	1 1	
" 1902	789,994	38,934	0 11 $\frac{3}{4}$	
" 1903	814,842	43,421	1 0 $\frac{3}{4}$	
" 1904	838,954	42,618	1 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	
" 1905	864,971	40,799	0 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	
" 1906	889,968	39,547	0 10 $\frac{3}{4}$	
" 1907	913,873	38,305	0 10	
" 1908	937,587	33,998	0 8 $\frac{3}{4}$	
" 1909	968,313	37,537	0 9 $\frac{1}{4}$	
" 1910	987,480	Not yet available.		

D. ROBERTSON, Commissioner.

APPENDIX.

TABLES EMBODIED IN APPENDIX.

- Table 1. Pensions granted, deaths, and cancellations ; also annual liability and average pension.
 „ 2. Pensions in force and annual payments.
 „ 3. Pensions at each rate.
 „ 4. Claims received, and how disposed of ; also pensions in force (in districts).
 „ 5. Nationalities of pensioners admitted during 1909–10.
 „ 6. Sex and conjugal condition of pensioners admitted during 1909–10.
 „ 7. Ages of European pensioners.
 „ 8. Percentage of pensions granted in each year now in force.
 „ 9. Amounts paid to homes and hospitals.

TABLE 1.—NUMBER of PENSIONS GRANTED since the Act came into Operation, with NUMBER of DEATHS and CANCELLATIONS, and NUMBER IN FORCE at End of each Year, together with ANNUAL LIABILITY and AVERAGE PENSION.

Year ending 31st March.	Number of Pensions granted.	Deaths.	Cancellations.	In Force at End of Year.	Annual Liability.	Average Pension.
1899 ...	7,487	38	6	7,443	£ 127,319	£ s. d. 17 2 0
1900 ...	4,699	786	71	11,285	193,718	17 3 0
1901 ...	2,227	815	292	12,405	211,965	17 2 0
1902 ...	1,694	935	388	12,776	217,192	17 0 0
1903 ...	1,391	1,064	622	12,481	211,594	16 19 0
1904 ...	1,063	928	690	11,926	200,915	16 17 0
1905 ...	1,210	890	476	11,770	199,081	16 18 0
1906 ...	2,075	1,038	225	12,582	313,013	24 17 0
1907 ...	2,031	1,097	259	13,257	326,084	24 12 0
1908 ...	1,740	1,189	239	13,569	333,340	24 11 0
1909 ...	2,113	1,112	174	14,396	353,343	24 10 0
1910 ...	2,304	1,169	211	15,320	374,699	24 9 0
Totals ...	30,034	11,061	3,653	...	...	...

TABLE 2.—COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of PENSIONS IN FORCE, and PAYMENTS MADE in each Financial Year since the Act came into Operation.

Date.	Number of Pensions in Force.	Payments to End of Financial Year.	Payments.		Pensions.	
			Increase.	Decrease.	Increase.	Decrease.
At 31st March, 1899 ...	7,443	£ 3,124	£ ...	£ ...	...	...
„ 1900 ...	11,285	157,342	154,218	...	3,842	...
„ 1901 ...	12,405	197,292	39,950	...	1,120	...
„ 1902 ...	12,776	207,468	10,176	...	371	...
„ 1903 ...	12,481	210,140	2,672	...	...	295
„ 1904 ...	11,926	203,164	...	6,976	...	555
„ 1905 ...	11,770	195,475	...	7,689	...	156
„ 1906 ...	12,582	254,367	58,892	...	812	...
„ 1907 ...	13,257	314,184	59,817	...	675	...
„ 1908 ...	13,569	325,199	11,015	...	312	...
„ 1909 ...	14,396	336,760	11,561	...	827	...
„ 1910 ...	15,320	362,496	25,736	...	924	...
Total ...	...	£2,767,011	...	...	...	...

TABLE 3.—NUMBER of PENSIONS at each Rate at End of Year 1909-10.

Number.	Rate.	Liability.	Number.	Rate.	Liability.
11,827	£ 26	£ 307,502	80	£ 13	£ 1,040
512	25	12,800	79	12	948
479	24	11,496	75	11	825
297	23	6,831	79	10	790
247	22	5,434	62	9	558
304	21	6,384	53	8	424
197	20	3,940	37	7	259
198	19	3,762	43	6	258
218	18	3,924	21	5	105
141	17	2,397	21	4	84
126	16	2,016	15	3	45
111	15	1,665	9	2	18
85	14	1,190	4	1	4
			15,320	...	374,699

Average pension, £24 9s.

TABLE 4.—CLAIMS RECEIVED and how disposed of, and also NUMBER of PENSIONS in Force in each District.

District.	Total Number of Claims received since Act came into Force.	Claims awaiting Investigation on 31st Mar., 1909.	For Financial Year ending 31st March, 1910.			Claims awaiting Investigation on 31st Mar., 1910.	Pensions in Force on 31st March, 1910.
			Claims received.	Claims established.	Claims rejected, &c.		
Auckland ...	4,125	58	388	276	133	37	1,810
Coromandel ...	357	24	5	11	3	15	120
Dargaville ...	332	12	23	26	7	2	117
Hamilton ...	707	24	73	61	15	21	353
Helensville ...	462	6	8	8	6	...	Closed.
Kaitia ...	128	17	15	12	...	20	80
Mangonui ...	187	3	...	...	...	3	27
Maungaturoto ...	112	...	7	5	...	2	36
Otahuhu ...	808	12	8	3	17	...	Closed.
Raglan ...	236	12	4	5	9	2	27
Rawene ...	328	8	12	7	1	12	85
Rotorua ...	277	6	24	19	5	6	77
Russell ...	390	6	22	12	1	15	131
Taupo ...	120	7	9	4	3	9	22
Warkworth ...	243	2	5	2	2	3	75
Whangarei ...	518	7	42	31	7	11	167
Whangaroa ...	139	3	12	8	2	5	47
Thames ...	735	29	36	27	8	30	274
Opotiki ...	109	5	7	4	...	8	38
Paeroa ...	296	31	34	23	6	36	160
Tauranga ...	351	19	16	12	14	9	74
Te Aroha ...	113	8	7	4	11	...	Closed.
Whakatane ...	120	7	3	6	3	1	33
Gisborne ...	379	17	28	25	6	14	103
Port Awanui ...	287	3	1	2	2	...	19
Napier ...	894	18	88	62	19	25	354
Dannevirke ...	448	17	26	20	8	15	135
Waipawa ...	105	6	10	11	1	4	70
Wairoa ...	267	...	5	3	1	1	28
New Plymouth ...	667	12	43	29	7	19	231
Stratford ...	130	6	13	11	4	4	43
Wanganui ...	590	11	47	26	3	29	217
Carried forward	14,960	396	1,021	755	304	358	4,953

TABLE 4.—CLAIMS RECEIVED and how disposed of, and also NUMBER of PENSIONS in Force in each District—*continued*.

District.	Total Number of Claims received since Act came into Force.	Claims awaiting Investigation on 31st Mar., 1909.	For Financial Year ending 31st March, 1910.			Claims awaiting Investigation on 31st Mar., 1910.	Pensions in Force on 31st March, 1910.
			Claims received.	Claims established.	Claims rejected, &c.		
Brought forward	14,960	396	1,021	755	304	358	4,953
Eltham	3	...	3	...	1	2	19
Hawera	255	12	15	14	7	6	78
Marton	327	6	29	28	2	5	111
Patea	100	2	7	7	...	2	41
Wellington	1,862	11	218	154	68	7	810
Carterton	290	20	25	21	11	13	94
Feilding	272	8	21	16	3	10	115
Masterton	386	13	39	39	4	9	153
Otaki	181	3	18	14	1	6	79
Pahiatua	142	4	10	11	1	2	60
Palmerston North	520	1	37	33	4	1	211
Nelson	696	12	36	32	10	6	234
Motueka	219	5	17	11	4	7	79
Blenheim	446	5	36	28	4	9	171
Havelock	29	...	2	1	1	...	8
Christchurch	3,769	55	320	279	27	69	1,847
Akaroa	130	3	3	4	1	1	40
Amberley	27	...	5	4	...	1	15
Ashburton	610	9	44	39	2	12	281
Culverden	26	2	2	1	3	...	8
Kaipoi	739	7	39	34	5	7	342
Kaikoura	63	1	4	4	...	1	24
Timaru	489	4	64	53	7	8	248
Fairlie	37	...	6	3	2	1	18
Geraldine	412	15	31	38	3	5	203
Waimate	280	10	21	14	11	6	131
Greymouth	1,070	12	67	50	12	17	450
Reefton	392	10	22	24	4	4	144
Hokitika	1,321	32	72	62	19	23	520
Westport	680	16	39	36	10	9	258
Oamaru	705	25	43	44	9	15	305
Dunedin	3,284	60	261	192	69	60	1,468
Balclutha	346	6	23	21	1	7	149
Clyde	297	9	20	13	1	15	115
Lawrence	479	5	25	23	1	6	203
Milton	328	3	22	18	3	4	151
Naseby	256	6	10	7	1	8	105
Palmerston South	146	10	12	14	7	1	58
Waikouaiti	86	...	6	4	1	1	51
Invercargill	1,529	41	96	79	37	21	524
Gore	88	5	33	23	9	6	155
Queenstown	285	5	27	26	2	4	114
Riverton	400	16	39	30	5	20	169
Chatham Islands	16	...	2	1	...	1	8
Port Chalmers	338	...	...	...	...	...	Closed.
Totals	39,316	865	2,892	2,304	677	776	15,320

TABLE 5.—ORIGINAL NATIONALITIES of PENSIONERS admitted during the Year ended the 31st March, 1910.

	Number.		Number.		Number.
British (English)	1,031	British (Jamaican)	1	Dutch	3
" (Irish)	486	" (Newfoundlander)	1	American	2
" (Scotch)	424	German	35	French	2
" (New-Zealander)	66	Danish	16	Polish	2
" (Australian)	53	Swedish	13	Finn	1
" (Welsh)	18	Norwegian	12	Sicilian	1
" (Canadian)	16	Italian	5	Maori	90
" (Channel-Islander)	9	Prussian	5		
" (Cape-Colonist)	3	Swiss	5	Total	2,304
" (Barbadoes colonist)	1	Austrian	3		

These pensioners are now all British subjects, as required by law.

TABLE 6.—SEX and CONJUGAL CONDITION of PENSIONERS admitted during the Year ended the 31st March, 1910.

Sex.	Single.	Married.	Widowed.	Totals.
Males	326	699	315	1,340
Females	46	452	466	964
Totals	372	1,151	781	2,304

TABLE 7.—AGES of EUROPEAN PENSIONERS on 31st March, 1910.

		Number.			Number.			Number.
At age	65	...	...	635	At age	78	...	671
"	66	...	...	596	"	79	...	560
"	67	...	...	816	"	80	...	423
"	68	...	...	904	"	81	...	339
"	69	...	...	1,051	"	82	...	228
"	70	...	...	1,016	"	83	...	213
"	71	...	...	947	"	84	...	172
"	72	...	...	909	"	85	...	127
"	73	...	...	878	"	86	...	101
"	74	...	...	865	"	87	...	68
"	75	...	...	970	"	88	...	48
"	76	...	...	1,028	"	89	...	52
"	77	...	...	904	"	90	...	47
					Total		...	14,626

TABLE 8.—NUMBER of PENSIONS GRANTED in each Financial Year, together with the NUMBERS of such PENSIONS IN FORCE on the 31st March, 1910.

Year ended 31st March,	Pensions granted in each Year.	Number of such Pensions still in Force on 31st March, 1910.	Percentage of Pensions in Force to Pensions granted.
1899	7,487	1,912	26
" 1900	4,699	1,355	29
" 1901	2,227	829	37
" 1902	1,694	709	42
" 1903	1,391	688	49
" 1904	1,063	624	59
" 1905	1,210	760	63
" 1906	2,075	1,396	67
" 1907	2,031	1,515	75
" 1908	1,740	1,417	81
" 1909	2,113	1,885	89
" 1910	2,304	2,230	97
Totals	30,034	15,320	

TABLE 9.—NUMBER of OLD-AGE PENSIONERS maintained in HOMES and HOSPITALS on the 31st March, 1910, together with the Amounts paid to such Institutions during the Year.

Location.	Institution.	Payments, Year 1909-10.		Number of Pensioners in Institution on 31st March, 1910.	Amount handed to Pensioners after Deduction of Maintenance.
		£	s. d.		
Whangarei	Old Men's Home	187	18 8	9	4s. per month.
Auckland	Costley Home	2,283	13 9	98	6s. 6d. "
"	Ponsonby Home (Little Sisters)	775	1 9	29	8s. "
"	Veterans' Home	948	18 4	36	2s. 6d. per week.
Thames	Old Men's Home	465	6 8	18	5s. per month.
Hamilton	"	227	1 8	8	4s. "
Gisborne	"	157	18 11	6	1s. per week.
Napier	Refuge, Parke Island	786	9 10	27	10s. 4d. per month.
New Plymouth	Old Men's Home	390	13 5	14	10s. "
Wanganui	Jubilee Home	196	0 3	8	5s. "
Wellington	Ohio Home	627	19 5	25	1s. 6d. per week.
"	Home for Aged Needy	754	8 7	29	7s. 7d. per month.
"	Home for Incurables	246	17 9	10	5s. "
Palmerston North	No institution	110	12 4	2	Nil.
Masterton	Solway Home	60	13 4	3	"
Nelson	Alexandra Home	752	4 1	29	2s. per week.
Pietermaritzburg	Hospital	80	5 3	3	6s. per month.
Blenheim	Old Men's Home	140	16 8	6	1s. per week.
Christchurch	Jubilee Home	907	9 10	36	1s. "
"	Samaritan Home	179	5 0	7	4s. per month.
"	Nazareth House	488	2 7	23	5s. "
"	Mount Magdala Home	23	16 8	1	Nil.
Ashburton	Tuarangi Home	873	3 4	30	1s. per week.
Timaru	Old Men's Home	459	13 8	16	1s. 6d. "
Westport	Hospital	568	16 3	24	2s. "
Charleston	"	165	14 1	5	11s. 4d. per month.
Reefton	"	205	9 1	10	5s. "
Greymouth	"	691	18 4	32	10s. "
Hokitika	"	617	11 6	24	7s. 6d. "
Ross	"	204	14 4	9	13s. 4d. "
Kumara	"	398	18 11	19	13s. 4d. "
Oamaru	Victoria Home	578	19 5	24	8s. 8d. "
Dunedin	Benevolent Institution	2,071	0 2	72	13s. 4d. "
"	Home for Aged Poor	727	10 0	39	13s. 4d. "
"	{ Bowmont Street Home	796	9 8	16	4s. 6d. "
"	{ Lorne Farm				
Invercargill	"			12	8s. 6d. "
Riverton	No institution	60	13 4	2	Nil.
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