1914. NEW ZEALAND.

NATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND:

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1913.

Prepared in Terms of Section 23 of the National Provident Fund Act, 1910.

The membership and income of the fund increased considerably during 1913. The following shows the progress rate for each year :-

At 31st December,				al Rate of tion payable.					
				£	8.	d.			
1911	 	 	 550	3,171	15	8			
1912	 	 	 2,660	11,726	13	0			
1913	 	 	 5,791	22,719	0	4			

The weekly income of the fund at the 31st December was £436 18s. Id., and the total fund as per Revenue Account at that date was £29.327 7s. 6d.

There were paid during the year 119 claims for maternity benefits, amounting to £698 8s. The total enrolments to hand up to the 31st March, 1914, numbered 7,538.

During the year additional lecturers were engaged for the purpose of carrying out the propaganda policy inaugurated by the Board. The rapid increase in membership entails additional work on these officers, and the scope of their duties now extends beyond the initiatory enrolment work. The lecturers have ably met the new demands on their time, and the result of their efforts is shown in the general increase of business.

The Board note with pleasure that many employers in the large centres are voluntarily collecting contributions, at the request of their employees. The Board regard this system of co-operation with the fund as a desirable basis upon which to establish the permanence of employees' membership in the fund.

The following gives a comparison of the expense-rate each year:-

1911	 			56 per cent. o	f contribution income
1912	 	• · · ·		28 per cent.	,,
1913	 	• • •	• • •	19 per cent.	;;

In this connection the Board desires to express its appreciation of the manner in which the members of the staff have coped with the extra duties required of them on account of the rapid growth in membership.

G. F. C. CAMPBELL, Chairman of the Board.

R. E. HAYES,

Superintendent of the Fund.

Wellington, 16th June, 1914.

NATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND.

Amount of fund at beg Contributions Interest Fines Benefits refunded by Government contribut Refund of maternity Contributions overpaid	ginning of year	£ 10,08 15,99 55 39 dion 25 3,16 tate 69 1	8. d. 8 8 5 8 8 1 9 7 5 9 9 3 6 0 0 9 8 10	Maternity claims (section 18) 698 8 0 Refund of contributions on lapse, reduction, and withdrawal (sections 10, 11, 12, and 13) 780 7 9				
		£30,88	3 10 7	£30,883 10 7				
Fund as per Revenue Claims due and in c Maternity Death Refunds Refunds in suspense Other amounts in sus Deposits on incomplet	Account ourse of paym pense	29,32 ent—* 11 2 2 67 to join	s. d. 7 7 6 2 11 6 2 4 2 4 18 6	(a.) Contributions due but not overdue 4,218 11 6 (b.) Contributions overdue 1,388 17 4 Government subsidy accrued* 3,867 16 10 Balance with Post Office 246 14 3 Balance at Head Office 0 17 2				
Contributions prepaid	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		4 18 5	rmes due 348 19 3				
		£31,21	0 14 7	£81,210 14 7				
- 2		* İnclu	ied in Re	venue Account. R. E. HAYES,				
Examined and found correct Superintendent.								
	ROBERT J.		Auditor	A. T. Traversi, A.I.A. (Lond.), -General. Secretary.				

NUMERICAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1913.

	Numbers.																	
<u>.</u> .	Class 1. Pension Rate, 10s.			Class 2. Pension Rate, 20s.			Class 3. Pension Rate, 30s.			Class 4. Pension Rate, 40s.			Aggregate.			Annual Contributions.		
	M.	F.	T.	М.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	т.	М.	F.	T.			
		1												1		£	8.	đ.
Number of contributors at commencement of year	2084	204	2288	232	55	287	33	6	39	43	3	46	2392	268	2660	11,726	13	0
New entrants during the	3287	155	3442	288	34	322	36	3	39	47	3	50	3658	195	3853	13,975	0	0
Transfers from another class	68	٠٠.	68	7	2	9	1	1	2	2	1	3	78	4	82	5 3	14	8
Increases due to adjust- ment on age-error, &c.		••			••	••	•••	••	••	••	••	••			••	1	14	8
Total	5439	359	5798	527	91	618	70	10	80	92	7	99	6128	467	6595	25,757	2	4
Discontinuances, &c. (as per detailed statement below)	614	43	657	101	10	111	15	2	17	19	••	19	749	55	804	3,038		0
Total at end of year	4825	316	5141	426	81	507	55	8	63	73	7	80	5379	412	5791	22,719	0	
	` De	tails	of I	Disco	ntin	uan	ces.	&с	dur	ina	the	Yea	r.					
Death	9	1	10										9	1	10	49	12	4
Notice of withdrawal	328	31	359 281	28 20	6 2	34 22	5 2	2	7	7	• •	7	368	39		1,563	-	4
Lapse	272	9	281	53	2	55	8			12	• •	12	294	11	305 82	1,112 309		0 8
Decreases due to adjust- ment on age-error, &c.						•••				••	••			•••			13	
Total	614	43	657	101	10	111	15	2	17	19		19	749	55	804	3,038	2	o
		Nu	meri	cal i	Proa	ress	sinc	e E	stab	lishn	nent							
Total entered		373	5818	530	90	620	72	11	83	97			6144	481	6625			
Total transferred from other classes	76	1	77	11	4	15	2	2	4	3	1	4	92	8	100		•	
	5521	374	5895	541	94	635	74	13	87	160	8	108	6236	489	6725	26,401	18	4
Total discontinued Total transferred to other classes	686 10		741 13	57 58	11 2		11 8	3 2	14 10	11 16	1	11 17	765 92	69 8	834 100		•	
	696	58	754	115	13	128	19	5	24	27	1	28	857	77	934	3,682	18	0
Total contributors on books at 31st Decem- ber, 1913	4825	316	5141	426	81	507	55	8	63	73	7	80	5379	412	5791	22,719	0	4

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