

TABLE VII.—PENSIONS GRANTED, DEATHS, AND CANCELLATIONS IN EACH YEAR, WITH NUMBER IN FORCE AND ANNUAL VARIATION.

Year ending 31st March.	Number of Pensions granted.	Deaths.	Cancellations.	In Force at End of Year.	Increase.	Decrease.
<i>Old-age.</i>						
1899 .. .. .	7,487	38	6	7,443	..	..
1900 .. .. .	4,699	786	71	11,285	3,842	..
1901 .. .. .	2,227	815	292	12,405	1,120	..
1902 .. .. .	1,694	935	388	12,776	371	..
1903 .. .. .	1,391	1,064	622	12,481	..	295
1904 .. .. .	1,063	928	690	11,926	..	555
1905 .. .. .	1,210	890	476	11,770	..	156
1906 .. .. .	2,075	1,038	225	12,582	812	..
1907 .. .. .	2,031	1,097	259	13,257	675	..
1908 .. .. .	1,740	1,189	239	13,569	312	..
1909 .. .. .	2,113	1,112	174	14,396	827	..
1910 .. .. .	2,304	1,169	211	15,320	924	..
1911 .. .. .	2,399	1,423	276	16,020	700	..
1912 .. .. .	2,318	1,469	220	16,649	629	..
1913 .. .. .	2,072	1,569	643	16,509	..	140
1914 .. .. .	3,320	1,479	300	18,050	1,541	..
1915 .. .. .	3,158	1,582	274	19,352	1,302	..
Totals .. .. .	43,301	18,583	5,366	..	..	..
<i>Widows'.</i>						
1912 .. .. .	791	..	3	788	..	..
1913 .. .. .	657	3	129	1,313	525	..
1914 .. .. .	421	1	193	1,540	227	..
1915 .. .. .	458	2	208	1,788	248	..
Totals .. .. .	2,327	6	533	..	..	..
<i>Military.</i>						
1913 .. .. .	577	9	..	568	..	..
1914 .. .. .	747	74	1	1,240	672	..
1915 .. .. .	256	108	..	1,388	148	..
Totals .. .. .	1,580	191	1	..	..	..

TABLE VIII.—COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OLD-AGE PENSION PAYMENTS IN EACH YEAR, WITH ANNUAL LIABILITY AND AVERAGE PENSION.

Date.	Payments to End of Financial Year.	Increase.	Decrease.	Annual Liability.	Average Pension.
At 31st March, 1899 .. .. .	£ 3,124	£ ..	£ ..	£ 127,319	£ s. d. 17 2 0
.. .. . 1900 .. .. .	157,342	154,218	..	193,718	17 3 0
.. .. . 1901 .. .. .	197,292	39,950	..	211,965	17 2 0
.. .. . 1902 .. .. .	207,468	10,176	..	217,192	17 0 0
.. .. . 1903 .. .. .	210,140	2,672	..	211,594	16 19 0
.. .. . 1904 .. .. .	203,164	..	6,976	200,915	16 17 0
.. .. . 1905 .. .. .	195,475	..	7,689	199,081	16 18 0
.. .. . 1906 .. .. .	254,367	58,892	..	313,018	24 17 0
.. .. . 1907 .. .. .	314,184	59,817	..	326,084	24 12 0
.. .. . 1908 .. .. .	325,199	11,015	..	333,340	24 11 0
.. .. . 1909 .. .. .	336,760	11,561	..	353,343	24 10 0
.. .. . 1910 .. .. .	362,496	25,736	..	374,699	24 9 0
.. .. . 1911 .. .. .	383,393	20,897	..	403,020	25 3 0
.. .. . 1912 .. .. .	406,256	22,863	..	416,530	25 0 4
.. .. . 1913 .. .. .	415,761	9,504	..	412,408	24 19 7
.. .. . 1914 .. .. .	416,776	1,015	..	447,765	24 16 0
.. .. . 1915 .. .. .	460,814	44,038	..	475,970	24 11 10
Total .. .. .	4,850,011	..	..	..	..