

## OLD-AGE PENSIONS.

	European.	Maori.	Total.
Pensions in force at the 31st March, 1924	20,257	1,211	21,468
New pensions granted, 1924-25	2,470	184	2,654
Deaths during 1924-25	1,541	94	2,060
Cancellations, 1924-25	411	14	
Net increase	..	..	594
Pensions in force at the 31st March, 1925	20,775	1,287	22,062
Year 1924-25.			
Total European population at the 31st March, 1925	..	..	1,325,037
Total European pensioners, sixty-five and over, at the 31st March, 1925	..	..	18,054
Female European pensioners, sixty to sixty-four, at the 31st March, 1925	..	..	2,721
Percentage of European pensioners to total European population	..	..	1.57
New claims lodged	..	..	3,420
New claims rejected	..	..	753
Annual liability at the 31st March, 1925	..	..	£850,795
Average pension	..	..	£38 11s.
Gross expenditure for year	..	..	£806,953
Increase on figures of previous year	..	..	£39,148
Cost per head of European population	..	..	12s. 2d.
Credit from national endowment	..	..	£37,177
Refunds paid to Public Account	..	..	£2,149
Number of pensioners in homes and hospitals	..	..	1,058
Amount paid to controlling authorities of these	..	..	£41,067
Number of pensioners in mental hospitals	..	..	91
Amount paid to Mental Hospitals Department on account of these	..	..	£3,366
Unpaid instalments as at 31st March, 1925	..	..	£2,923
Instalments forfeited and subsequently paid	..	..	£3,550
Total claims lodged to date	..	..	85,383
Total claims established	..	..	66,751
Total deaths	..	..	35,804
Total cancellations	..	..	8,885
Grand total paid since 1898	..	..	£11,733,833
Total credit from national endowment	..	..	£428,959

## WIDOWS' PENSIONS.

	European.	Maori.	Total.
Pensions in force at the 31st March, 1924	3,351	175	3,526
New pensions granted, 1924-25	565	37	602
Cancellations, 1924-25	501	29	530
Net increase	..	..	72
Pensions in force at the 31st March, 1925	3,415	183	3,598
Total children in receipt of pension at the 31st March, 1925	..	..	8,038
Year 1924-25.			
New claims lodged	..	..	732
New claims rejected	..	..	103
Number of children on whose account pensions granted	..	..	1,507
Annual liability at close of year	..	..	£281,141
Average pension	..	..	£78 3s.
Gross expenditure for year	..	..	£236,378
Increase on figures of previous year	..	..	£33,560
Cost per head of European population	..	..	3s. 7d.
Refunds paid to Public Account	..	..	£508
Unpaid instalments as at 31st March, 1925	..	..	£1,063
Instalments forfeited and subsequently paid	..	..	£1,808
Average of total family of pensioners	..	..	3.94
Average of family under fourteen years	..	..	2.5
Total claims lodged to date	..	..	10,599
Total claims established	..	..	8,915
Total number of children benefited	..	..	22,121
Total deaths	..	..	200
Total guardians appointed	..	..	116
Total cancellations	..	..	5,233
Grand total paid to date	..	..	£1,433,700