Pensions, which are of a different nature to superannuation allowances, are also granted, in accordance with various Acts of Parliament, to retired judges and to a certain number of persons, or their widows and children, for military services.   The total amount paid under this head in 1896 was $86,080, being $1,731 more than in the preceeding year.

The amount paid out for pensions in the United States during 1896 was $139,434,001.

PROVINCIAL DEBTS.

Provinces.	Gross Debt.	Dominion Government Debt Allowance.	*Other Assets.	Net Debt, including Col. 3.	Debt per Head.
1896.	$	$	$	$	$ cts.
Quebec	32,207,058	2,549,214	11,300,803	18,357,041	11 75
Nova Scotia.......	3,443,769	1,056,179	277,877	2,109,730	4 63
New Brunswick	2,962,892	530,908	57,914	2,374,070	7 39
Manitoba	5,818,818	3,707,196	4,507,797	....	....
British Columbia...... ..	6,469,768	583,021	1,798,456	4,088,291	29 00

* Not including public buildings.

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Year ended 31st December.	Gross Debt.	Dominion Government Debt Allowance.	†Other Assets.	Total Assets.
	$	$	$	$
1882...	98,718	*259,337	336,846	596,183
1883......................	1,362,237	1,052,467	574,749	1,627,217
1884...............	1,014,744	1,052,346	444,430	1,496,775
1885...	1,137,878	1,057,693	399,707	1,457,400
1886......................	1,162,162	1,057,614	399,225	1,456,838
1887....	1,190,245	1,057,410	425,562	1,482,972
1888...	1,431,575	1,057,322	409,649	1,466,971
1889...	1,899,662	1,056,472	403,952	1,460,424
1890......................	2,642,519	1,056,448	644,886	1,701,334
1891......	2,990,402	1,056,329	576,045	1,632,374
1892.........	3,133,761	1,056,289	450,330	1,506,619
1893, 30th June.....	3,142,922	1,056,289	413,122	1,469,411
1894 "	3,167,493	1,056,289	301,893	1,358,182
1895 "	3,346,899	1,056,238	302,567	1,358,806
1896 "	3,443,769	1,056,179	277,877	1,334,056

* This included a sum of $253,066.67, which was deposited by Baring Brothers in connection with a railway project.   This amount was afterwards repaid by the Local Government to Barings by an issue of debentures, and the deposit was allowed to remain in the debt account.
   † Not including public buildings.