

20.—Permanent Scale of Annual Pensions granted to Dependants of Deceased Sailors and Soldiers of the Canadian Naval Forces and the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

NOTE.—Pensions awarded to parents or brothers and sisters may be less than these amounts in accordance with the provisions of the Pension Act.

Rank or Rating of Member of Forces.	Rate per annum.		
	Widow or Dependent Parents.	Child or Dependent Brother or Sister.	Orphan Child or Orphan Brother or Sister.
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Sub-Lieutenant (Naval); Lieutenant (Military) and all ranks and ratings below.....	720 00	-	-
Lieutenant (Naval); Captain (Military).....	800 00	-	-
Lieutenant-Commander (Naval); Major (Military).....	1,008 00	-	-
Commander and Captain under three years' seniority (Naval); Lieutenant-Colonel (Military).....	1,248 00	-	-
Captain (Naval); Colonel (Military).....	1,512 00	-	-
Commodore and higher ranks (Naval); Brigadier-General and higher ranks (Military).....	2,160 00	-	-
Additional pension for children or dependent brothers or sisters for above ranks—			
One child.....	-	180 00	360 00
Two children.....	-	324 00	648 00
Each subsequent child.....	-	120 00	240 00

Federal Appeal Board.—Under c. 62 of the Statutes of 1923, a Federal Appeal Board of not less than 5 nor more than 7 members was constituted, to hear appeals from the decisions of the Board of Pension Commissioners. As amended by c. 49 of 1925, the provision is as follows:—

“Upon the evidence and record upon which the Board of Pension Commissioners gave their decision an appeal shall be in respect of any refusal of pension by the Board of Pension Commissioners on the ground that the injury or disease or aggravation thereof resulting in disability or death was not attributable to or was not incurred during military service.”

VI.—MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATION.

1.—The Soldier Settlement Board.

The Canada Year Book, 1920, contains, on pages 29 to 35, a statement regarding the establishment and early proceedings of the Soldier Settlement Board.

The amount advanced to settlers under the Soldier Settlement Act stood at \$105,750,831 at Oct. 31, 1925. From the inception of the scheme, loans have been granted to 24,342 settlers, and 6,504 other settlers have gone on free government lands without financial assistance, making a total of 30,846 returned men who have become established under the scheme to Dec. 31, 1925.

At the end of the calendar year 1924 the number of soldier settlers under the Board was 30,609, so that the increase in the year was 237, while the amount loaned to settlers in the 12 months was \$2,357,948.