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the deceased contributor would have received had he been retired from the Civil Service at the time of his death, or which he was actually receiving at the said time; provided Limitation always that the annual allowance to a widow or to children shall not in any event exceed six hundred dollars; provided further that the annual allowance to or on behalf of a child, in any case where there is only one child entitled thereto, shall not exceed three hundred dollars.

2. If the annual allowance to which the widow of a con-Election

tributor is entitled is less than fifty dollars, she shall. at her election, be entitled to receive instead of the annual allowance the amount of the deceased contributor's contributions under this Act with interest thereon at the rate of four per centum per annum, compounded yearly, less any sums received by him under this Act during his lifetime. Any such election by the widow shall be final and shall be deemed to be made when the first payment in that behalf is received and accepted by her. Should she elect to accept the amount of such contributions with interest no further allowance or payment shall be made in the event of her remarriage or death to any child or children of the contributor.

3. Authority is hereby granted to the Governor in Council Election for to make a similar election on behalf of any child or children children. entitled under this Act to an annual allowance of less than fifty dollars, and to dispose of or deal with the same as provided for in the next succeeding section.

21. Any moneys payable under the two last preceding Children's sections to or on behalf of any child or children under the allowance age of eighteen years may, in the discretion of the Governor institution in Council, be either paid to such child or children direct, etc. or to any person or public institution, to be expended on behalf of such child or children in such manner as may seem to his or their best advantage.

RETURN OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

22. If any male contributor voluntarily retires from voluntary the Civil Service before becoming entitled to a retiring allow-retiremen ance under this Act, he shall be entitled to a refund of the contributor whole amount actually contributed by him underthis Act, but without interest. Any refund of contributions provided for by this section shall, as respects deductions or reservations from salary made under the provisions of Part I or Part II of The Superannuation Act and subsequently transferred to the credit of the Civil Service Superannuation Account Number Three, be for the net amount only of the deductions or reservations so transferred.