

APPENDIX No. 4

(d) There is set out below a table of the comparative amounts payable annually to those of the rank and file permanently totally disabled under the new scale suggested for Canada and under the existing rates so far as known in the countries of the allied belligerents.

	Single man.	Man and Wife.	Man, Wife and child.	Man, Wife and 2 children.	Man, Wife and 3 children.	Each additional child.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Canada.....	900 00	1,200 00	1,380 00	1,524 00	1,644 00	120 00
Great Britain.....	506 13	632 66	727 56	803 46	879 42	75 92
Australia.....	379 60	569 40	695 93	790 74	854 01	63 26
New Zealand.....	506 13	759 20	885 73	1,012 25	1,138 80	126 53
South Africa.....	379 60	506 13	601 12	685 36	759 20	63 26
United States.....	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	Nil.
France.....	480 00	480 00	540 00	600 00	660 00	60 00
Italy.....	243 33	291 99	318 75	345 51	372 27	26 76

3. It is also proposed to make further changes in pensions as follows:—

(a) To increase the allowance for helplessness from a maximum of \$450 per annum to a maximum of \$750 per annum, with a proviso that the allowance shall in no case be less than \$250 per annum.

Estimated increased liability, \$60,000 per annum.

(b) To provide that a disability pensioner who is maintaining his father or mother or both in addition to his wife shall be entitled to an addition to his pension for each parent not exceeding \$180 per annum when he is totally disabled and a proportionately less amount when his disability is less than total disability.

Estimated increased liability, \$200,000 per annum.

(c) To provide that when a deceased soldier previous to his enlistment or during service was wholly or to a substantial extent maintaining his mother or father or both as well as his wife that an additional pension may be awarded to each such parent not exceeding \$180 per annum.

Estimated increased liability, \$80,000 per annum.

(d) To provide that when a deceased soldier wholly or to a substantial extent was maintaining both his parents that the pension for one parent may be increased by an additional amount not exceeding \$180 per annum and the total pension may be apportioned between such parents.

Estimated increased liability, \$135,000 per annum.

(e) To provide for the continuance of pensions to children of a member of the forces who are physically or mentally incapacitated, for life instead of, as at present, up to twenty-one years of age.

Estimated increased liability, \$15,000 per annum.

(f) To provide that when a disability pensioner dies and his estate is not sufficient to pay the expenses of his last sickness and burial such expenses shall be paid up to an amount not exceeding one hundred dollars. At present these expenses are only paid when a pensioner dies as a result of his disability.

It is estimated that the cost of carrying out this provision during a period of 35 years will amount to about \$2,000,000 but, as can readily be understood, the cost in the immediate future will be lighter than that in the years to come.

Estimated increased liability for the ensuing year, \$20,000.

(g) To increase during their residence in Canada the pensions now being paid to or in respect of veterans of the Fenian Raid, the Northwest Rebellion, the South