

umbia Act is concerned, it may suggest itself that the interpretations and opinions of the English courts are of little value, but it is because of the changed system that reference has been made to these points. The act here is to be administered by a Board of three commissioners, who will, in addition to the actual administration, be entrusted with the judicial functions formerly exercised by the various courts through which an appeal reaches the Privy Council, and **from the decision of the Board there is no appeal to any court, either on the law or the facts.**

PAYMENTS UNDER OLD ACT

In case of death, under the old act, the dependents received a sum equal to three years' earnings, but not more than \$1,500; medical attendance and burial expenses not exceeding \$100, if deceased left no dependents; in cases of disability, after the second week, the workman received 50 per cent. of average weekly earnings, such weekly payments not to exceed \$10 per week, and the total payments not to exceed the amount of \$1,500. A lump sum might be substituted for the weekly payments after six months, at the request of the employer, the amount to be settled in default of agreement by arbitration. **Any decision under this old act was subject to appeal through the courts to the Privy Council.**

PROVISIONS OF NEW ACT

To give the fullest information regarding the compensation as under the new Act, when and to whom payable, sections 15 to 20 are reproduced in full:

"15. (1) Where death results from the injury, the necessary expenses of the burial of the workman, not exceeding the sum of \$75, shall be paid in addition to all other compensation payable under this section.

"(2) Where death results from the injury, compensation shall be paid to the dependents of the deceased workman as follows:

"(a) Where the dependent is a widow or an invalid widower without any dependent children, a monthly payment of \$20 during the life of such surviving spouse.

"(b) Where the dependents are a widow or an invalid widower and one or more children, a monthly payment of \$20, with an additional monthly payment of \$5 for each child under the age of 16 years, and for each invalid child over that age, not exceeding in the whole \$40.