

This Hospital continues to deserve its high reputation. The vigorous grasp of the steward is felt everywhere. At the date of my visit, the 25th January, 1891, there was an interregnum in the medical department. The success of Dr. Lawson's thoroughgoing zeal was still apparent, and I hope that his successor will succeed in maintaining the same high standard.

A beautiful new mortuary, admirable in its arrangements, has been built as well, and a very successful drying-closet added to the laundry. It is a pity to see so large a sum as £118 put down for law-expenses. The subscriptions and donations last year amounted to £5 9s. 6d.

WAIKATO DISTRICT HOSPITAL.

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| Number of patients on 31st March, 1890 | ... | ... | ... | 17 |
| Admitted during the year | ... | ... | ... | 168 |
| Total under treatment | | | | 185 |
| Discharged | ... | ... | ... | 167 |
| Died | ... | ... | ... | 8 |
| Remaining on 31st March, 1891 | | | | 10 |

Sex.—145 males, 40 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Waipa County, 71; Waikato County, 64; Piako County, 31; Raglan County, 11; King Country, 7; Auckland, 1.

Country.—England, 39; Scotland, 12; Ireland, 29; Wales, 2; New Zealand, 87; Australia, 3; Tasmania, 1; Cape Colony, 3; Germany, 3; British America 2; United States of America, 1; Fiji, 1; Mauritius 1; India, 1.

Religion.—Church of England, 66; Roman Catholic, 41; Presbyterian, 25; Wesleyan, 20; Salvation Army, 4; Primitive Methodist, 1; Christian Brethren, 1; Baptist, 1; Mormon, 1; Agnostic, 2; Hauhau, 23.

Total collective days' stay in hospital, 4,925; individual average days' stay, 26.62. Daily average cost per head, 6s. 2d.; less patients' payments, 5s. 3d.

Outdoor Patients.—None.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

| <i>Revenue.</i> | | | <i>Expenditure.</i> | | |
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| | £ | s. d. | | £ | s. d. |
| From Government | ... | 350 0 0 | Rations | ... | 261 13 2 |
| Local bodies | ... | 530 9 11 | Wines, spirits, ale, &c. | ... | 28 0 6 |
| Subscriptions and donations | ... | 0 5 0 | Surgery and dispensary | ... | 163 0 11 |
| Rents | ... | 34 17 0 | Fuel and light | ... | 80 8 10 |
| Patients' payments | ... | 240 5 1 | Bedding and clothing | ... | 64 14 6 |
| Balance from last year | ... | 542 10 8 | Furniture and earthenware | ... | 69 16 2 |
| | | | Washing and laundry | ... | 78 0 5 |
| | | | Salaries and wages | ... | 596 15 8 |
| | | | Water-supply | ... | 19 10 0 |
| | | | Funerals | ... | 10 7 6 |
| | | | Repairs | ... | 64 11 4 |
| | | | Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery | ... | 33 6 6 |
| | | | Insurance | ... | 11 14 0 |
| | | | Rent of office | ... | 6 10 0 |
| | | | Travelling-expenses | ... | 21 14 6 |
| | | | Surgical instruments | ... | 58 15 2 |
| | | | Fencing | ... | 56 9 10 |
| | | | Horse-power to pump | ... | 36 19 5 |
| | | | Crown-grant endowments | ... | 15 10 1 |
| | | | Other expenses | ... | 20 9 2 |
| Total | ... | £1,698 7 8 | Total | ... | £1,698 7 8 |

This Hospital on the date of my inspection—10th March, 1891—contained ten patients, all males. I found everything in first-rate order. The building is well designed, and furnished with all the requisites of a well-equipped hospital. Dr. Kenny is a painstaking and skilful surgeon. The nursing arrangements are very good. I carefully examined all the patients without any one being present, and heard no complaints. The stock of instruments is very complete, and they are very carefully kept.

WAIMATE HOSPITAL.

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| Number of patients on 31st March, 1890 | ... | ... | ... | 11 |
| Admitted during the year | ... | ... | ... | 97 |
| Total under treatment | | | | 108 |
| Discharged | ... | ... | ... | 90 |
| Died | ... | ... | ... | 12 |
| Remaining on 31st March, 1891 | | | | 6 |