

Localities from which Patients came.—Wellington, 655; Hutt, 20; Karori, 4; Johnsonville, 7; Porirua, 3; Petone, 14; shipping, 31; Napier, 1; Martinborough, 2; Kaiwara, 2; Auckland, 1; Paikakariki, 3; Marton, 3; Plimmerton, 1; Feilding, 2; Kilbirnie, 1; Otaki, 14; Foxton, 6; Ashurst, 2; Rimutaka, 1; Wairarapa, 4; Wainuiomata, 2; Island Bay, 4; Longburn, 1; Lyttelton, 3; Motutu, 1; Paremata, 5; Greytown, 2; Hawke's Bay, 1; Nelson, 3; Tawa Flat, 2; Halcombe, 2; Bull's, 1; Dunedin, 3; Sandon 2; Onehunga, 1; Manukau, 7; Woodville, 1; Taranaki, 3; Teuui, 1; Shannon, 6; Masterton, 5; Campbelltown, 4; Mauriceville, 1; Greymouth, 1; Mungaroa, 2; Eketahuna, 1; Otago, 1; Carterton, 5; Te Horo, 1; Levin, 1; Christchurch, 1; Westport, 1; Wanganui, 5; Horokiwi, 1; Crofton, 1; Featherston, 7; other districts, 14. (Total of those admitted during the year.)

Nationality.—English, 381; Welsh, 2; Scotch, 90; Irish, 111; Colonials, 372; Danes, 10; Swedes, 8; Germans, 7; Norwegians, 5; Americans, 5; French, 3; Prussians, 3; Chinese, 3; Greeks, 2; Russians, 2; Austrians, 2; Scandinavian, 1; Nova Scotian, 1; East Indian, 1; not known, 8.

Religion.—Church of England, 516; Roman Catholic, 223; Presbyterian, 137; Wesleyan, 73; Methodist, 13; Baptist, 12; Salvation Army, 18; Plymouth Brethren, 5; Lutheran, 4; Freethinkers, 4; Congregational, 3; Hebrew, 2; Unitarian, 2; Confucian, 1; no religion, 4.

Total collective days' stay in hospital, 41,029; individual average days' stay, 40.34. Daily average cost per head, 3s. 6½d.; less patients' payments, 3s. 0½d.

Outdoor Patients.—Individual cases, 1,985; attendances, 5,732.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.									
<i>Revenue.</i>			£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>			£ s. d.
From Government	...	...	2,719	12	9	Rations	...	...	2,218 3 5
Local bodies	...	...	2,500	0	0	Wines, spirits, ale, &c.	...	...	159 18 0
Subscriptions and donations	...	...	111	1	1	Surgery and dispensary	...	...	782 5 5
Rents	...	...	1,548	7	0	Fuel and light	...	...	590 1 3
Patients' payments	...	...	1,063	9	2	Bedding and clothing	...	...	375 11 7
Other sources	...	...	16	10	6	Furniture and earthenware	...	...	22 10 0
Balance from last year	...	...	497	12	8	Ironmongery	...	...	77 7 1
						Ice	...	...	43 13 4
						Washing and laundry	...	...	391 16 11
						Salaries and wages	...	...	2,188 6 1
						Water-supply	...	...	86 8 0
						Funerals	...	...	53 14 0
						Repairs	...	...	142 0 11
						Additions to buildings	...	...	151 8 8
						Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery	...	...	72 10 4
						Insurance	...	...	16 5 0
						Commission	...	...	13 10 6
						Law and survey	...	...	21 10 6
						Other expenses	...	...	66 2 10
Total	...	...	£8,456	13	2	Total	...	...	£7,473 3 10

I have frequently visited this Hospital early in the morning, and at various times during the day, and I am satisfied that it is well and economically administered. The nursing department is well organized and admirably managed by Miss Godfrey, whose energy and devotion are beyond all praise. The medical staff possess and deserve the confidence of the patients and the public. If I were asked which, considering it all round, is the best hospital in New Zealand I should say Wellington.

WESTPORT HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1890	...	...	...	13
Admitted during the year	...	...	...	71
Total under treatment	...	...	...	84
Discharged	...	...	...	63
Died	...	...	...	7
Remaining on 31st March, 1891	...	...	...	14

Sex.—79 males, 5 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Borough of Westport and Buller District.

Nationality.—English, 19; Welsh, 3; Scotch, 13; Irish, 15; New Zealand, 16; Australian, 6; Canadian, 1; Italian, 4; German, 2; West Indian, 1; East Indian, 1; Greek, 1; Swede, 1; Russian, 1.

Religion.—Church of England, 41; Roman Catholic, 23; Presbyterian, 13; Methodist, 3; Wesleyan, 2; Church of Christ, 1; Greek Church, 1.

Total collective days' stay in hospital, 3,538; individual average days' stay, 42.12. Daily average cost per head, 6s. 3½d.; less patients' payments, 5s. 10½d.

Outdoor Patients.—Individual cases, 52.