

AUCKLAND HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1894	...	...	...	116
Admitted during the year	...	...	...	1,086
Total under treatment				1,202
Discharged	...	...	...	993
Died	...	...	...	105
Remaining on 31st March, 1895				104

Sex.—860 males, 342 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Auckland City and Suburbs, 635; Auckland district, 323; Auckland North, 108; Auckland South, 78; shipping, 58.

Nationality.—English, 344; Scotch, 80; Irish, 164; New Zealand, 459; Australian, 48; American, 16; German, 15; Fijian, 6; Dutch, 4; Swedes and Norwegians, 14; born at sea, 3; Indian, 5; French, 12; Austrian, 8; Italian, 5; Danish, 1; African, 2; Chinese, 1; Spanish, 2; Russian, 5; West Indian, 6; Norfolk Island, 2.

Religion.—Church of England, 614; Roman Catholic, 270; Baptist, 31; Wesleyan, 90; Presbyterian, 154; Congregationalist, 2; Salvationist, 18; Lutheran, 7; Jewish, 6; other sects, 10.

Total collective days' stay in hospital, 38,035; individual average days' stay, 31·64. Daily average cost per head, 4s. 1½d.; less patients' payments, 2s. 9½d.

Outdoor Patients.—Individual cases, 888; attendances, 3,678.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

<i>Revenue.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
From Government	...	2,360	19	3	Rations	...	2,483	2	4
Local bodies	...	2,360	19	3	Wines, spirits, ale, and porter	...	80	17	0
Subscriptions and donations	...	61	15	5	Surgery and dispensary	...	514	4	1
Bequests	...	522	0	0	Fuel and light	...	555	2	0
Patients' payments	...	2,560	17	1	Bedding and clothing	...	383	16	6
Other sources	...	35	7	10	Furniture and earthenware	...	229	1	8
					Washing and laundry	...	204	0	0
					Salaries and wages	...	2,143	10	4
					Water-supply	...	166	10	0
					Funerals	...	53	16	6
					Improvement of grounds	...	173	0	1
					Repairs	...	475	19	6
					Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery	...	98	13	2
					Interest	...	43	5	1
					Insurance	...	11	7	6
					Proportion of office expenses	...	212	8	11
					Other expenses	...	73	4	2
Total	...	£7,901	18	10	Total	...	£7,901	18	10

Auckland Hospital, 8th January, 1895.

This has been a year of trouble in this hospital. At the date of my last visit I was impressed with the conviction that the relations between the Secretary to the Charitable Aid Board, the Hospital Steward, and the Relieving Officer were far from harmonious, and had something to do with the friction that has prevailed in the working of the Charitable Aid Board and the hospital.

Except for these underlying elements of discord I found the hospital working well. I can only hope that the new departure taken by the Board will have good results. To this end I would suggest that great care should be taken to define strictly the functions of Mr. Garland and Mr. Schofield, and especially that the Board should not countenance any interference with the working of the hospital, except through the proper channels.

BLENHEIM HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1894	...	...	...	26
Admitted during the year...	...	...	...	128
Total under treatment				154
Discharged	...	...	...	116
Died	...	...	...	15
Remaining on 31st March, 1895				23

Sex.—107 males, 47 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Wairau, Awatere, Sounds, Canterbury, Nelson, Hawke's Bay, Manawatu, West Coast.