

Visited 27th October, 1905, and 4th June, 1906. — This Hospital continues to be well and economically managed under Miss Stewart. The nurses work twelve hours a day, and are content. The food is good. Dr. Aubin returns to-morrow. Dr. Bett has given great satisfaction while in charge. An attempt to purchase an addition to the limited site failed. At the date of the second visit a septic tank was about to be installed.

TIMARU HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1905	...	...	...	48
Admitted during the year	...	...	...	462
Total under treatment				510
Discharged	...	...	...	431
Died	...	...	...	34

Remaining on 31st March, 1906 ... 45

Sex.—349 males, 161 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Hospital district, 459; outside hospital district, 51.

Country.—England, 85; Scotland, 47; Ireland, 63; New Zealand, 240; Australia, 16; Wales, 1; America, 2; Denmark, 2; Channel Islands, 3; West Indies, 1; Finland, 1.

Religion.—Roman Catholic, 116; Episcopalian, 147; Presbyterian, 118; Salvation Army, 4; Primitive Methodist, 9; Wesleyan, 47; Baptist, 4; Congregationalist, 3; Plymouth Brethren, 12; Quaker, 2; Lutheran, 1; Jewish, 1; Agnostic, 2.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 15,369; individual average days' stay, 30·14. Daily average cost per head, 5s. 5½d.; less patients' payments, 4s. 10d.

Outdoor Patients.—Individual cases, 488; attendances, 1,340.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
From Government	...	1,792	4	7	Rations	...	1,460	14	1
Local bodies	...	1,792	4	7	Wines, spirits, ale, &c.	...	5	10	0
Subscriptions and donations	...	140	12	0	Surgery and dispensary	...	302	10	6
Patients' payments	...	470	17	2	Fuel and light	...	440	3	3
Other sources	...	0	9	0	Bedding and clothing	...	99	6	4
					Furniture and earthenware	...	105	3	11
					Salaries and wages	...	1,325	0	9
					Water-supply	...	76	17	8
					Repairs	...	153	4	10
					Additions to buildings	...	66	0	0
					Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery	...	17	8	4
					Insurance	...	14	1	0
					Other expenses	...	130	6	8
Total	...	£4,196	7	4	Total	...	£4,196	7	4

Visited 1st March, 1906.—Miss Todd, the new Matron, had just arrived. The diphtheria ward is now being used for accommodation for nurses, but as there is no provision in the new Infectious Diseases Hospital for diphtheria this ward would still have to accommodate such cases should any occur. The floor in the operating-room (wood) could be improved, and a better table is desirable. The whole place is clean. Tuberculosis is being treated in the converted sanitary annexes, communicating freely with the rest of the ward. This is not good, but there is no room in the grounds to make provision for such cases. The wastes from annexes are not trapped. There is much painting and plastering going on. Clark's automatic telephone system is in use throughout the Hospital and is found to be very convenient. A very marked improvement has been effected in the ventilation by making the windows "practicable."

WAIHI HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1905	...	...	...	18
Admitted during the year	...	...	...	234
Total under treatment				252
Discharged	...	...	...	217
Died	...	...	...	15
Remaining on 31st March, 1906				20

Sex.—185 males, 67 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Waihi, Thames, Ohinemuri, Bay of Plenty.

Country.—England, 21; Scotland, 4; Ireland, 25; New Zealand, 166; Australia, 26; Sweden, 1; Tasmania, 2; Germany, 3; United States of America, 2; China 1; Norfolk Islands, 1.