

Visited 21st April, 1907.—There were eight patients, all chronic or old men. Except as a centre for a medical man, the existence of this Hospital is hardly necessary. Dr. Telford, however, is an active and capable man, who looks after the district well. It would be a pity, perhaps, to do away with the Hospital, and thus remove an inducement for a doctor to remain in the district.

SOUTH WAIRARAPA HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1906	5
Admitted during the year	86
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Total under treatment	91
Discharged	75
Died	7
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Remaining on 31st March, 1907	9

Sex.—73 males, 18 females.

Locality from which Patients came.—South Wairarapa.

Country.—England, 20; Scotland, 7; Ireland, 9; New Zealand, 42; Wales, 1; Australia, 6; America, 1; France, 1; Sweden, 1; Norway, 2; Belgium, 1.

Religion.—Church of England, 41; Roman Catholic, 10; Presbyterian, 30; Methodist, 10.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 3,265; individual average days' stay, 36. Daily average cost per head, 6s. 9½d.; less patients' payments, 5s. 7½d.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
From Government	...	1,110	15	3	Rations	...	263	9	8
Local bodies	...	490	5	5	Wines, spirits, &c.	...	4	13	0
Subscriptions and donations	...	185	10	9	Surgery and dispensary	...	97	9	3
Rents	...	0	18	9	Fuel and light...	...	94	18	8
Patients' payments	...	193	4	0	Bedding and clothing	...	34	15	2
Other sources	...	16	16	1	Furniture and earthenware	...	68	0	4
Balance from last year	...	195	1	10	Washing and laundry	...	13	0	0
					Salaries and wages	...	583	0	0
					Funerals	...	3	0	0
					Repairs	...	20	2	2
					New buildings	...	604	14	9
					Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery	...	10	14	10
					Interest	...	0	5	4
					Insurance	...	15	12	7
					Other expenses	...	59	15	7
Total	...	£2,192	12	1	Total	...	£1,873	11	4

STRATFORD HOSPITAL.

This Hospital was opened on the 21st February. When I visited it on the 15th May there were no patients. It is likely to be a costly luxury to the district.

THAMES HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1906	33
Admitted during the year	446
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Total under treatment	479
Discharged	415
Died	25
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Remaining on 31st March, 1907	39

Sex.—330 males, 149 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Thames Hospital, 44; Waikato, 13; Waihi, 19; Auckland, 3.

Country.—New Zealand, 289; England, 82; Scotland, 22; Ireland, 51; Australia, 12; Cape Colony, 1; America, 2; Sweden, 5; Austria, 1; Germany, 3; Canada, 1; Poland, 4; Italy, 3; Holland, 1.

Religion.—Church of England, 255; Roman Catholic, 115; Methodist, 38; Presbyterian, 53; Baptist, 10; Salvation Army, 6; Jewish, 3.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 16,080; individual average days' stay, 33·59. Daily average cost per head, 3s. 1d.; less patients' payments, 2s. 1d.

Outdoor Patients.—Individual cases, 370; attendances, 2,050.