

HOSPITALS.

INDEX.

For purposes of comparison the hospitals in the following reports have been placed in order of size (*i.e.*, number of in-patients under treatment during year) instead of alphabetically. The following is the order in which they are placed:—

Akaroa	46	Lawrence	38	Southland	8
Arrowtown	40	Masterton	21	South Wairarapa	39
Ashburton	23	Mangonui	48	Stratford	36
Auckland	2	Mercury Bay	41	Te Puia (see Waiaapu).	
Blenheim (see Wairau).		Napier	6	Thames	10
Charleston	53	Naseby	28	Timaru	12
Christchurch	3	Nelson	15	Waiaapu	51
Coromandel	42	New Plymouth	13	Waihi	16
Cromwell	44	Northern Wairoa	34	Waikato	7
Dannevirke	27	Oamaru	19	Waimate	24
Dunedin	4	Otaki	30	Waipawa	14
Dunstan	45	Pahiatua	29	Wairau	18
Gisborne	11	Palmerston North	9	Wairoa	47
Greymouth	17	Patea	32	Wakatipu	43
Hamilton (see Waikato).		Pictou	31	Wallace and Fiord	22
Havelock	50	Queenstown (see Wakatipu).		Wanganui	5
Hawera	20	Rawene	49	Wellington	1
Hokitika (see Westland).		Reefton	35	Westland	26
Invercargill (see Southland).		Riverton (see Wallace and Fiord).		Westport	25
Kumara	37	Ross	52	Whangarei	33

1. WELLINGTON HOSPITAL.

Governing body: The Wellington Hospital Trustees.

Honorary medical staff: Hon. consulting surgeon, Dr. Anson; hon. consulting physician, Dr. Adams; hon. surgeons, Drs. Collins, Faulke, James, and McLean; hon. physicians, Drs. Begg, Gibbs, Henry, and Herbert; hon. ophthalmic surgeon, Dr. Harty; hon. dental surgeon, Mr. Didsbury.

Stipendiary medical staff: Dr. Ewart, Medical Superintendent; Dr. Gilray, Assistant Medical Superintendent; Dr. Patrick.

Nursing staff: Matron, Miss Payne; 17 registered nurses and 68 probationers.

Domestic staff: 4 cooks, 10 wardsmajors, 10 housemaids, 12 laundresses, 8 porters, 2 gardeners, 2 engineers and stokers, 1 carpenter, and 1 plumber.

Number of beds available for males, 143; for females, 129: total, 272.

Number of patients under treatment during year: In-patients—male 1,827, female 1,028—total 2,855; out-patients, 2,017 (number of attendances, 8,807).

In-patients: Average days' stay, 22.47; average daily cost per head, 3s. 11d. (cost after deducting patients' payments, 3s.).

Percentage of cost of administration on maintenance expenditure, 39.9.

Localities from which patients came: Wellington (City), 1,758; Wellington (Suburbs), 327; Petone, 118; Lower Hutt, 55; Upper Hutt, 19; Levin, 1; Porirua, 2; sundry small places in district, 84; Wairarapa Hospital District, 26; Palmerston North, 55; Auckland, 9; Wanganui, 4; Taranaki, 10; Hawke's Bay, 12; Marlborough, 4; North Canterbury, 6; South Canterbury, 3; Nelson, 4; Sydney, 1; ships in port, 63; Buller, 15; Westland, 3; Timaru, 1; locality not stated, 37.

Nationalities of patients: New Zealand, 1,519; English, 480; Irish, 210; Australian, 155; Scotch, 143; Swedish, 20; German, 12; Danish, 12; Norwegian, 10; Italian, 7; Assyrian, 6; Austrian, 5; American, 5; Chinese, 5; Welsh, 4; Jewish, 3; Canadian, 3; Manxman, 3; Belgian, 2; Swiss, 2; Spanish, 2; Egyptian, 1; French, 1; Roumanian, 1; Russian, 1; Jamaican, 1; Scandinavian, 1; Dutch, 1; not stated, 2.

Religion of patients: Church of England, 1,148; Roman Catholic, 628; Presbyterian, 416; Methodist and Wesleyan, 151; Baptist, 47; Salvation Army, 35; Church of Christ, 20; Primitive Methodist, 19; Congregationalist, 19; Hebrew, 12; Plymouth Brethren, 12; Lutheran, 11; Spiritualist, 6; Unitarian, 5; Brethren, 5; Catholic Apostolic, 4; Confucian, 3; Theosophist, 3; Christadelphian, 3; Quaker, 1; Confucian, 1; Mission, 1; not stated, 62.