42. ARROW HOSPITAL.

Governing body: Arrow Hospital Trustees.

Usual date of meeting: The first Saturday in every month.

Secretary: Hassell Graham (part time).

Stipendiary medical staff: Resident, John Bell Thomson, M.B., C.M. Edin.

Nursing staff: Matron, Miss Frances Corry.

Domestic staff: 1 cook, 1 wardsman.

Number of beds available for males, 6; for females, 5; isolation and infectious, 5; total, 16.

Average number of patients per diem, 5.

Average number of patients to each of nursing staff, 5.

In-patients: Number of patients on 31st March, 1908, 9; admitted during year, 63; discharged during year, 67; died during year, 2; in hospital on 31st March, 1909, 3. Sex—Male, 46; female, 26: total, 72. Collective days' stay, 1,961; individual average days' stay, 27; average daily cost per head, 9s. 6d.; average daily payment per head, 1s. 9d.; average daily cost per head after deducting in-patients' payments, 7s. 9d.; weekly fee charged for maintenance, £1 and £1 10s.

Percentage of cost of administration on maintenance-expenditure, 10.5.

Localities, broadly, from which patients came: Wanaka, 9; Skippers, 1; Macetown, 7; Arrowtown, 50; Gibbston, 3; Glenorchy, 1; Queenstown, 1.

Nationalities of patients: Great Britain, 21; New Zealand, 43; Australia, 4; Denmark, 2;

Italy, 1; Germany, 1.

Number of out-patients treated during year, 11; number of attendances of such out-patients, 22.

43. WAKATIPU HOSPITAL.

Governing body: Southland Hospital and Charitable Aid Board.

Usual date of meeting: Second Saturday in month. Secretary: A. H. Hedoleston (non-resident).

Stipendiary medical staff: Dr. James Douglas, Resident Surgeon.

Nursing staff: Matron, Miss Ethel Clare.

Domestic staff: 1 cook and housemaid, 1 wardsman, laundress washes once a week.

Number of beds available for males, 10; for females, 6; isolation and infectious, 7: total, 23.

Average number of patients per diem, 5. Average number of patients to each of nursing staff, 5.

In-patients: Number of patients on 31st March, 1908, 4; admitted during year, 75; discharged during year, 68; died during year, 8; in hospital on 31st March, 1909, 3. Sex—Male, 58; female, 21: total, 79. Collective days' stay, 1,765; individual average days' stay, 22; average daily cost per head, 10s. 9d.; average daily payment per head, 2s. 10d.; average daily cost per head after deducting in-patients' payments, 7s. 11d.; weekly fee charged for maintenance, £1 10s.

Percentage of cost of administration on maintenance-expenditure, 8-4.

Localities, broadly, from which patients came: Lake County, 46; Queenstown, 29; Taieri, 2; Invercargill, 1; Arrowtown, 1.

Nationalities of patients: New Zealand, 33; England, 16; Scotland, 11; Ireland, 8; Holland,

4; Australia, 4; Denmark 2; Prussia, 1.

Number of out-patients treated during year, 59; number of attendances of such out-patients, 240.

44. MERCURY BAY HOSPITAL.

Governing body: Mercury Bay Hospital Trustees.

Usual date of meeting: Third Saturday in every month.

Secretary: S. Edmonds.

Stipendiary medical staff: John Craig, F.R.C.S. Irel. Nursing staff: Matron, Miss Hay, and 2 probationers.

Domestic staff: 1 cook, 1 housemaid, 1 porter. Number of beds available for males, 6; for females, 3; children's cots, 1: total, 10.

Average number of patients per diem, 4.

Average number of patients to each of nursing staff, 1.3.

In-patients: Number of patients on 31st March, 1908, 5; admitted during year, 79; discharged during year, 81; died during year, 2; in hospital on 31st March, 1909, 1. Sex—Male, 64; female, 20: total, 84. Collective days' stay, 1,341; individual average days' stay, 16; average daily cost per head, 15s. 5d.; average daily payment per head, 1s. 9½d.; average daily cost per head after deducting in-patients' payments, 13s. 7½d.; weekly fee charged for maintenance—subscribers 15s., nonsubscribers £1.

Percentage of cost of administration on maintenance-expenditure, 6.06.

Localities, broadly, from which patients came: Tairua, 17; Whitianga, 22; Gumtown, 21; Kuaotunu, 11; Auckland, 3; Owera, 1; Stony Creek, 4; Wharepapa, 1; Thames, 1; Whangarei, 1; Kapowai, 2.

Nationalities of patients: British, 75; French, 2; Austrian, 2; Danish, 2; Maori, 3.

Number of out-patients treated during year, 264; number of attendances of such out-patients, 536. Some improvements have been made in sanitation here, and the supply of hot water to the Hospital and the question of lighting are under consideration.

Dr. Craig, formerly Medical Superintendent, who was absent for a year, has resumed his charge of the Hospital.

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