

per head, 13s. 11½d.; average daily payment per head, 1s. 6¼d.; average daily cost per head after deducting in-patients' payments, 12s. 5½d.; weekly fee charged for maintenance, £1 1s.

Percentage of cost of administration on maintenance-expenditure, 3.8.

Localities, broadly, from which patients came: Wairoa County, 61; Cook County, 3; Napier Borough, 1; Wellington City, 1; Lower Hutt Borough, 1: total, 67.

Nationalities of patients: England, 12; Scotland, 2; Ireland, 3; Wales, 1; New Zealand, 34; Victoria, 3; New South Wales, 2; Tasmania, 2; United States America, 1; Anglo-India, 2; Spain, 1; Sweden, 1; Finland, 2; Maori half-caste, 1: total, 67.

A change has been made in the management of this Hospital. The untrained wardsman and Matron in charge were replaced by a trained Matron, Miss Bull, from the Auckland Hospital, and an assistant, also trained. This step was necessitated by the increased nursing-work and more acute cases admitted to the Hospital, and has been productive of much improvement.

Dr. Swanseger is still in charge.

50. MANGONUI HOSPITAL.

Governing body: North Auckland Hospital and Charitable Aid Board.

Usual date of meeting: Quarterly—December, March, June, September; Executive Committee, third Friday monthly.

Secretary: Charles McKinnon.

Stipendiary medical staff: Dr. Reid.

Nursing staff: Matron, Miss Beetham, and 1 probationer.

Domestic staff: 1 housemaid, 1 porter.

Number of beds available for males, 6; for females, 6: total, 12.

Average number of patients per diem, 3.

Average number of patients to each of nursing staff, 1.5.

In-patients: Number of patients admitted during year, 39; discharged during year, 34; died during year, 2; in hospital on 31st March, 1909, 3. Sex—Male, 35; female, 4: total, 39. Collective days' stay, 1,056; individual average days' stay, 27; average daily cost per head, 9s. 11d.; average daily payment per head, 1s. 4½d.; average daily cost per head after deducting in-patients' payments, 8s. 6½d.; weekly fee charged for maintenance, £1 15s.

Percentage of cost of administration on maintenance-expenditure, 2.34.

Localities, broadly, from which patients came: Mangonui, 39.

Nationalities of patients: New Zealand, 18; England, 9; Ireland, 5; Austria, 2; Tasmania, 2; Germany, 1; Australia, 1; Scotland, 1.

Visited on 1st April, 1909.

There were only four patients in—all male. There are seldom any women patients in. As much advantage is not taken of the Hospital as was expected, many accidents and urgent cases being treated at Kaitia.

Miss Dixon resigned the matronship, and Miss Beetham had been appointed in her stead, but was away on leave. Nurse Lambe was in temporary charge.

The place was beautifully clean and fresh. It is a very nicely arranged little Hospital, and it is a pity it is not made more use of.

Dr. Todd was in charge, but was leaving that day, and Dr. Reid taking his place. The Board contemplated buying a house in the township for the doctor.

51. AKAROA HOSPITAL.

Governing body: North Canterbury Hospital Board.

Usual date of meeting: Fourth Wednesday in each month.

Secretary: Walter Morley Miller.

Stipendiary medical staff: Percy F. McReddie, M.B., C.M. Eng.

Nursing staff: Matron, Mrs. E. Penrose.

Number of beds available for males, 4; for females, 4: total, 8.

Average number of patients per diem, 2.

Average number of patients to each of nursing staff, 2.

In-patients: Number of patients on 31st March, 1908, 1; admitted during year, 35; discharged during year, 33; died during year, 3; in hospital on 31st March, 1909, none. Sex—Male, 18; female, 18: total, 36. Collective days' stay, 648; individual average days' stay, 18; average daily cost per head, 9s. 10d.; average daily payment per head, 2s.; average daily cost per head after deducting in-patients' payments, 7s. 10d.; weekly fee charged for maintenance, £1 8s.

Percentage of cost of administration on maintenance-expenditure, 5.

Localities, broadly, from which patients came: All patients, 36 in number, were residents of the Akaroa Peninsula.

Nationalities of patients: New-Zealanders, 28; English, 5; German, 1; French, 1; Danish, 1: total, 36.