

These 33 deaths were from,—

Diarrhoeal diseases	17
Influenza	2
Typhoid fever	2
Scarlet fever	2
Diphtheria	4
Whooping-cough	3
Other zymotic diseases	3

Cancer.

Deaths in Dunedin and suburban boroughs				..	..	..	..	62
For the last five years,—				Deaths.				Deaths.
1905	..	..	..	60	1908	..	..	53
1906	..	..	..	55	1909	..	..	62
1907	..	..	..	59				

Phthisis and other Tubercular Diseases.

Deaths in Dunedin and suburban boroughs				..	..	..	..	47
For the last five years,—		Deaths.						Deaths.
1905	..	..	66	1908	..	..	..	69
1906	..	..	78	1909	..	..	..	47
1907	..	..	77					

PART 2—INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

RETURN SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE REPORTED TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT THROUGHOUT THE DOMINION DURING THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1910.

Summary for Whole Dominion.

Nature of Disease.	Health Districts.					Total.
	Auckland.	Wellington, Hawke's Bay, and Marlborough.	Westland.	Canter- bury.	Otago.	
Scarlet fever	189	495	36	179	367	1,266
Diphtheria	153	249	5	76	75	578
Enteric fever	226	278	5	55	71	635
Tuberculosis	107	230	7	78	134	556
Blood-poisoning	56	69	1	3	14	143
Hydatids .. .. .	..	8	..	..	..	8
Totals	731	1,329	54	391	681	3,186

The following tables and remarks relating to the incidence of infectious disease in the Dominion during the year are taken from the annual reports of the Health Officers of the various districts:—

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Cases of Infectious Diseases notified.

The cases of infectious disease occurring in the Public Health district during the departmental year exhibit no very special feature. The total number of notifications is 73.

For five years,—

1905-6	616	1908-9	737
1906-7	642	1909-10	731
1907-8	1,071		

Comparing last year's notifications with those of the previous year, we find,—

	Increase.	Decrease.
Scarlet fever	47	..
Diphtheria	51	..
Enteric fever .. .. .	..	13
Tuberculosis .. .. .	..	69
Blood-poisoning .. .. .	..	22
	98	104
		98
Net decrease		6

The only variation to note is the considerable decrease in the notification of tuberculosis, which follows upon a decrease of 30 during the previous year.

The following table exhibits the distribution of the cases:—