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NEW ZEALAND.

PRISONS DEPARTMENT.
PRISONS BOARD
(ANNUAL REPORT OF) FOR 1924.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

MEMBERS OF BOARD.

Right Hon. Sir ROBERT STOUT, P.C., K.C.M.G. (President); Sir GEORGE FENWICK, Kt.; EDWIN HALL, Esq.;
FRANK HAY, Esq., M.B.; C. B. JORDAN, Esq.; CHARLES E. MATTHEWS, Esq.; WILLIAM REECE, Esq.

SIR,—

Wellington, 23rd July, 1925.

I have the honour to forward herewith the report of the Prisons Board for the year 1924.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister of Justice.

ROBERT STOUT, President.

REPORT OF THE PRISONS BOARD.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1924.

The Board has to report that during the year 1924 it dealt with a total of 1,102 cases at meetings held at Christchurch, Paparua, Addington, Invercargill, Wellington, Wi Tako, Point Halswell, The Terrace, New Plymouth, Waikune, Hautu, Auckland, and Waikeria. The following table sets out under their respective statutory headings the number of cases considered at each meeting, together with the decisions reached :—

TABLE A.

Month of Meeting.	Place of Meeting.	Cases considered of							Decisions showing how Cases were disposed of.								Totals.
		Habitual Criminals.	Persons undergoing Reformative Detention.	Hard-labour Prisoners.	Habitual Offenders.	Habitual Criminals for Remission of Hard-labour Sentence.	Crimes Amendment Act.	Offender Probationers.	Totals.	Recommended for Release on Probation.	Petitions deferred.	Petitions declined.	Recommended for Discharge from Prison or Probation.	Offender Probationers ordered Discharge.	Recommended for Remission of Hard-labour Sentence.	Recommended transfer Consumptive Sanatorium, &c.	
Feb.	Christchurch	10	36	33	..	1	3	2	85	10	55	4	13	1	1	1	85
"	Paparua ..	1	48	9	..	..	..	..	58	14	42	..	2	..	..	..	58
"	Addington	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
"	Invercargill	..	156	3	..	..	..	..	159	30	121	..	8	..	..	..	159
April	Wellington	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
May	"	7	23	26	..	2	..	..	58	23	30	..	3	..	2	..	58
"	Wi Tako ..	..	17	6	..	..	..	..	23	11	5	1	6	..	..	..	23
"	Pt. Halswell	1	28	1	..	..	..	..	30	8	20	1	1	..	..	..	30
"	The Terrace	1	6	6	..	..	..	..	13	3	4	..	5	..	..	1	13
"	Wellington	4	39	35	1	..	6	4	89	8	33	14	30	4	..	..	89
July	"	1	81	50	..	..	3	9	144	31	82	6	17	8	..	..	144
Aug.	New Ply- mouth	4	14	17	1	..	..	..	36	5	24	6	1	..	..	..	36
Oct.	Wellington	1	34	32	..	..	..	5	72	15	43	5	4	5	..	..	72
Nov.	Waikune ..	3	35	12	..	..	..	..	50	13	32	..	5	..	..	..	50
"	Hautu ..	2	13	4	..	..	..	..	19	4	14	..	1	..	..	..	19
"	Mount Eden	43	97	49	..	..	1	1	191	43	118	20	9	1	..	..	191
"	Waikeria ..	..	52	16	..	..	..	..	68	12	50	..	5	..	..	1	68
		78	683	302	2	3	13	21	1,102	234	676	57	110	19	3	3	1,102