

It will be noted that there were 343 voluntary admissions in the year under review, that 261 were discharged, and that 25 boarders, representing 7·2 per cent. of the admissions, had to be transferred to the register of patients (having shown mental disorder in degree sufficiently pronounced and sustained to render it improper for them to be continued as voluntary boarders), while the proportion of deaths on average number resident was 5·5 per cent. The column devoted to "Not First Admissions" records readmissions on a return of illness in those previously treated to recovery as voluntary boarders. The average daily number of voluntary boarders in 1931 was 327.

### MENTAL NURSES.

In December the usual examination was held for the registration of mental nurses, when the following passed :—

- Auckland : First Grade—Olive May Garwood-Challis. Second Grade—William Callaghan, Geoffrey Leonard Chappell, Alfred Gibson, James Taylor Hamilton, Hugh Hanna, William Joseph Judd, Michael Joseph Lardner, Hannah Margretta Agnes Logan, Daniel Ritchie McGladdery, Mary Agnes Myers, Norah Teresa Myers.
- Tokanui : Second Grade—James Barr Barclay, William James Bruce, Winifred Hazel Clements, Violet May Durie, Frederick Erastus Lehdorf, Joseph Anthony Marquis, Johanna Christine Winifred Simonsen, Thomas Graham Smith, Mary Young.
- Porirua : First Grade—Henry Colin Campbell. Second Grade—Constance Violetta Allcock, Rosina Annie Brown, Jane Chapman, John Fairless Egglestone, Annie Agnes Glengarry, John Emerson Henderson, Athol James Kelly, Christina Margaret McDonald, Rose McGuigan, Ambrose Patrick O'Sullivan, Barbara Nancy Trevor, James Trewick.
- Nelson : First Grade—Grace Gold Phairn. Second Grade—Alma Elizabeth Brown, Catherine Mary Browne, Constance Margaret Annie Davies, Margaret Joyce Desaunais, Ellen May Hobday, Doris Mary Walsh, Jane Calder Sinclair, Winifred Fanny Williams.
- Hokitika : Second Grade—Melva Louise Benyon, Dora Amelia Dense, Alice Eleanor Mary Dixon, Leslie Henry Graham, Mary Cecilia Wood.
- Christchurch : First Grade—Mona Teresa Beri, Tui Elliott Croxford. Second Grade—Irene Agnes Daly, Arthur Norman Dalzell, Thomas Charles Richard Dawe, Leslie Randall Gordon, Pattie Rose Hollands, Ellen Rose O'Boyle, Winifred Mary Quinn, Elizabeth Satterthwaite, Jessie Willis Walker, Elinor Mary Webster, James Albert White.
- Seacliff : Second Grade—Maggie Elizabeth Florence Elliott, Rosetta Francis Elliott, Mary Sibley Little, Isabel Cooke Lothian, Gladys Irene Marshall, Thelma Olive Mack, Leah Constance O'Brien, Frederick Joseph Panting, William Hugh Shearer, Hazel Margaret Spratt, Adelina Patricia Thomas, Irene Marian Walter.

Highest marks in written paper : Grace Gold Phairn, Nelson, 84 per cent.

Highest total marks for written, oral, and practical : Tui Elliott Croxford, 265 (Average, 88 per cent.)