

TABLE 11B.—PARENTS DESCRIBED AS ADDICTED TO DRINK AT TIME OF ADMISSION AND COMMITTAL OF CHILDREN (INCLUDED IN TABLE 11A).

Father described as	Mother described as	Reasons for Committal and Admission of Children.									Total.
		Indigent.	Delinquent.	Detrimental Environ- ment.	Neglected.	Not under Proper Control.	Accused or Guilty of Punishable Offences.	Temporary Admissions and Admissions by Private Arrangement.	Supervision with Residence.	Held on Warrant pend- ing Courts' Decision.	
Addicted to drink	Bad .. ..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
	Dead	2	1	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	7
	Physically unfit ..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
	Good .. ..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	4
	Questionable ..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Questionable ..	Addicted to drink	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Totals ..	..	5	2	3	2	4	..	..	1	..	*17

* These families represent 38 children.

In the case of 48 of the children mentioned in Tables 11A and 11B the parents were living apart or were divorced, and 26 families were represented. Seventeen were orphans, 69 mother dead, and 48 father dead.

TABLE 12.—COMMITTALS AND ADMISSIONS CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO RELIGIOUS BELIEFS.

	Anglican.	Presbyterian.	Roman Catholic.	Methodist.	Salvation Army.	Ratana.	Mormon.	Baptist.	Congregational.	Seventh Day Adventist.	Judaic.	Ringatu.	Unknown.	Total.
Number ..	279	139	84	36	18	13	5	3	1	1	1	1	2	583
Percentage ..	47·86	23·84	14·41	6·18	3·09	2·23	0·86	0·51	0·17	0·17	0·17	0·17	0·34	100·00

The records show that of this total 161, or 27·62 per cent., were known to be illegitimate.

The children admitted were from the following districts : Auckland, 95 ; Wellington, 88 ; Christchurch, 84 ; Dunedin, 28 ; Invercargill, 26 ; Masterton, 18 ; Palmerston North, 15 ; Ruatoria, 12 ; Timaru, 12 ; Napier, 11 ; Nelson, 9 ; Wanganui, 8 ; Gisborne, 8 ; Taumarunui, 8 ; Stratford, 6 ; Hamilton, 6 ; Paeroa, 6 ; Rawene, 6 ; Lower Hutt, 5 ; Whakatane, 5 ; Kaitangata, 5 ; Tokomaru Bay, 5 ; Onelunga, 4 ; Hokitika, 4 ; Hastings, 4 ; Ashburton, 4 ; Rotorua, 4 ; Westport, 4 ; Tikitiki, 4 ; Eketahuna, 3 ; Kaikoura, 3 ; Mosgiel, 3 ; Blenheim, 3 ; Levin, 3 ; Petone, 3 ; Whangarei, 3 ; Pirouia, 3 ; two from each of the following places : Hawera, Te Araroa, New Plymouth, Thames, Dannevirke, Rangiora, Waitara, Taihape, Greymouth, Otahuhu, Upper Hutt, Ahipara, Winchester, Marton ; one from each of the following places : Wairoa, Kerikeri, Huntly, Mangatoki, Oamaru, Ngaruawahia, Te Kuiti, Houhora, Riverton, Cambridge, Raetihi, Carterton, Hope, Waiuku, Plimmerton, Waitoa, Recfton, Eltham, Ohau, Roxburgh, Tinwald, Otanga, Helensville, Opotiki, Warkworth, Kaikohe, Frankton, Rona Bay, Darfield, Katikati, Manaia, Pukekohe, Mahoenui, Tauranga Chatham Islands, Te Puke, and Tuatapere : 383 from the North Island ; 200 from the South Island—total, 583.

TABLE 13.—INMATES DISCHARGED FROM CONTROL DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1938.

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Discharged (section 23, Child Welfare Act, 1925) ..	267	118	385
Attained the age of twenty-one years ..	15	28	43
Adopted	11	19	33
Returned to relatives	30	9	39
Died	4	1	5
Married .. ..	..	22	22
Extended control expired .. ..	..	4	4
Totals	330	201	531

The average age at discharge for the year was seventeen years ten months.