

1877.
NEW ZEALAND.

FRIENDLY SOCIETY RETURNS.

UNDER "THE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT, 1867."

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly, in pursuance of Section 52 of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1867."

RETURN RELATING TO FRIENDLY SOCIETIES UNDER "THE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT, 1867," FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1877.

TABULAR Statements are herewith attached, showing—

1. The Number of Registered and Unregistered Societies respectively, known to exist in the Colony, and giving a general view of the extent to which the statistical information asked for by the Government has been supplied by them.
2. The Number of Members, and the Sickness, Mortality, &c., during the Year 1876, in 140 Friendly Societies in the Colony of New Zealand.
3. A Statement for the Year 1876 of the Benefit Funds of all Friendly Societies included in Table II.
4. A Statement for the Year 1876 of the Management Funds of all Friendly Societies included in Table II.
5. The Assets and Liabilities at the close of the Year 1876, of all Friendly Societies included in Table II.
6. Comparative Return deduced from Tables II., III., IV., and V., of the Experience, during 1876, of the Four Principal Orders of Friendly Societies in the Colony.

THE following is a list of Registrations, Amalgamations, Amendments, and Dissolutions, notified at the Office of The Registrar of Friendly Societies, viz,—

Newly Registered.

Primitive Methodist Aid Society, No. 1, of New Zealand, Dunedin.

Amalgamated.

Loyal Effort Lodge, I.O.O.F., M.U. (Greytown), with Loyal Unity Lodge (Featherston Unregistered), under the name of the latter.

Loyal Prince Alfred Lodge, I.O.O.F., M.U. (Hokitika), with Loyal Hokitika Lodge (Registered), under the name of the latter.

Loyal Hand of Friendship Lodge, I.O.O.F., M.U. (Greymouth), with Loyal Greymouth Lodge (Registered), under the name of the latter.

Dissolved.

Widow and Orphan Society, I.O.O.F., M.U., Dunedin.

Amended By-law.

Court Robin Hood, A.O.F., No. 3930, Nelson.

26th September, 1877.

G. S. COOPER,
(For the Registrar.)

TABLE I.—Showing the Numbers of Registered and Unregistered Societies respectively, known to exist in the Colony, and giving a general view of the extent to which the statistical information asked for by the Government has been supplied by them.

Name of Society.	Total No. of Societies to which Return Forms were sent.	No. OF REGISTERED SOCIETIES				No. OF UNREGISTERED SOCIETIES				SOCIETIES OF WHICH NO. OF MEMBERS IS KNOWN.	
		From which Complete Returns have been received.	From which Incomplete Returns have been received.	From which no Returns have been received.	Total.	From which Complete Returns have been received.	From which Incomplete Returns have been received.	From which no Returns have been received.	Total.	No. of Societies.	No. of Members.
Manchester Unity, Independent Order of Odd Fellows,—											
Auckland District ...	15	5	2	...	7	5	2	1	8	13	1,121
New Plymouth District... ..	3	1	...	...	1	2	...	...	2	3	189
Wellington District	14	2	...	...	2	7	5	...	12	14	1,113
Wanganui District	2	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	71
Nelson District	5	3	...	...	3	2	...	...	2	5	515
Motueka District	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	2	124
Marlborough District	2	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	172
North Canterbury District	18	4	2	...	6	3	9	...	12	18	1,175
Lyttelton District	7	2	...	...	2	2	...	3	5	4	321
North Westland District	3	2	...	...	2	...	1	...	1	3	264
Hokitika District*	7	5	...	2	7	...	...	...	...	5	494
Otago District... ..	23	17	...	...	17	3	3	...	6	23	1,569
Invercargill District	4	3	...	...	3	1	...	...	1	4	453
Total	105	48	4	2	54	27	20	4	51	98	7,611
Independent Order of Odd Fellows...	17	1	...	...	1	3	11	2	16	15	560
Ancient Order of Foresters,—											
Auckland District	6	2	...	...	2	2	2	...	4	6	707
Wellington District	16	4	...	...	4	7	...	5	12	11	751
Nelson District	13	8	...	...	8	4	...	1	5	12	720
Canterbury District	2	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	1	386
Westland District	3	1	...	0	1	1	...	1	2	2	62
Otago District	18	8	1	1	10	2	5	1	8	16	1,203
Unaffiliated Courts	2	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	240
Total	60	26	1	2	29	16	7	8	31	50	4,074
Ancient Order of Shepherds	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	25
Independent Order of Rechabites,—											
Auckland District	3	1	...	...	1	1	...	1	2	2	204
New Zealand Central District	19	...	...	1	1	2	...	16	18	2	54
Total	22	1	...	1	2	3	...	17	20	4	258
Sons and Daughters of Temperance...	5	3	...	...	3	...	...	2	2	3	173
Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society*	27	3	1	2	6	3	...	18	21	10	576
Protestant Alliance Friendly Society of Australasia	3	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	3	2	235
Miscellaneous Societies	9	3	1	...	4	1	...	4	5	5	457
Grand Total	249	86	7	7	100	54	39	56	149	188	13,969

* Since the compilation of the following tables, complete returns have been received from one other registered Branch of the Hokitika District of the M.U.I.O.O.F., and from one other registered and two unregistered Branches of the H.A.C.B.S.

GENERAL EXPERIENCE.

TABLE II.—Showing the Number of Members, and the Sickness, Mortality, &c., during the Year 1876, in 140 Friendly Societies in the Colony of New Zealand.

Name of Society.	No. of Branches.	No. of Members at commencement.	ENTERED BY			DISCONTINUED BY				No. of Members at end.	Mean of Numbers of Members at commencement and end of year.	No. of Honorary Members.	Registered Wives at end of year.	R.W. died during the year.	No. of Members Sick.	No. of Days' Sickness.	Sick and Funeral Fund—£ per Member.
			Initiation.	Clearance.	Total.	Death.	Clearance.	Other Causes.	Total.								
Manchester Unity, Independent Order of Odd Fellows,—																	
Auckland District ...	10	728	117	6	123	5	10	85	100	751	739.5	*	*	*	*	4,040	6.076
New Plymouth District ...	3	162	25	4	29	0	0	2	2	189	175.5	0	94	0	23	720	6.563
Wellington District ...	9	616	143	13	156	3	9	64	76	696	656	*	*	*	80	4,363	7.701
Wanganui District ...	2	77	3	0	3	2	2	5	9	71	74	1	45	0	13	704	11.612
Nelson District ...	5	498	61	13	74	4	5	18	27	545	521.5	3	*	*	97	3,620	10.875
Motueka District ...	2	112	13	1	14	1	0	1	2	124	118	*	*	*	19	513	15.221
Marlborough District ...	2	167	10	0	10	0	0	5	5	172	169.5	2	84	1	14	791	10.037
North Canterbury District ...	7	402	71	7	78	2	22	21	45	435	418.5	14	*	*	57	1,669	6.787
Lyttelton District ...	4	247	96	9	105	2	5	24	31	321	284	*	*	*	39	1,611	6.635
North Westland District ...	2	169	18	0	18	1	10	17	23	159	164	1	82	0	28	1,284	10.855
Hokitika District ...	5	510	14	59	73	4	12	73	89	494	502	5	270	1	74	2,224	12.635
Otago District ...	20	1,387	166	34	200	8	35	118	161	1,426	1406.5	*	*	*	147	7,456	10.882
Invercargill District...	4	439	67	9	76	3	6	53	62	453	446	2	247	3	40	2,166	10.749
Total of the Order ...	75	5,514	804	155	959	35	116	486	637	5,836	5675	†	†	†	631*	31,161	9.418
Independent Order of Odd Fellows	4	170	69	2	71	3	10	20	33	208	189	33	145	1	9	*	3.859
Ancient Order of Foresters,—																	
Auckland District ...	4	560	139	20	159	4	16	54	74	645	602.5	7	403	5	93	1,154	5.328
Wellington District ...	11	647	222	11	233	3	11	115	129	751	699	*	*	*	75	2,163	3.675
Nelson District ...	12	660	99	6	105	4	13	28	45	720	690	17	*	*	117	3,088	5.324
Canterbury District ...	1	386	32	11	43	2	5	36	43	386	386	12	231	2	32	924	4.766
Westland District ...	2	81	3	0	3	0	1	21	22	62	71.5	1	42	*	18	423	7.209
Otago District ...	10	818	92	24	116	3	9	81	93	841	829.5	*	*	*	84	2,384	4.589
Court Coromandel ...	1	74	12	0	12	1	1	16	18	63	71	1	*	*	14	665	4.574
Court Southern Cross ...	1	176	16	2	18	2	0	20	22	172	174	6	105	2	12	270	7.360
Total of the Order ...	42	3,402	615	74	689	19	56	371	446	3,645	3523.5	†	†	†	445	11,071	4.870
Ancient Order of Shepherds ...	1	20	6	1	7	0	0	2	2	25	22.5	*	*	*	3	185	2.320
Independent Order of Rechabites,—																	
Auckland District ...	2	210	30	7	37	0	6	37	43	204	207	5	13	0	39	2,075	3.235
New Zealand Central District...	2	46	15	9	24	1	1	14	16	54	50	6	2	0	9	196	4.666
Total of the Order ...	4	256	45	16	61	1	7	51	59	258	257	11	15	0	48	2,271	3.534
Sons and Daughters of Temperance	3	186	33	1	34	0	2	45	47	173	179.5	3	121	3	24	805	5.676
Hibernian Australian Catholic Benefit Society ...	6	269	39	3	42	3	9	25	37	274	271.5	26	*	*	31	1,028	2.877
Protestant Alliance Friendly Society of Australasia ...	1	148	27	0	27	1	3	14	18	157	152.5	8	91	0	18	634	2.388
Central Volunteer Fire Brigade ...	1	35	15	0	15	0	0	15	15	35	35	0	0	0	8	106	3.371
Kaero and Wangaroa Friendly Society ...	1	40	0	0	0	1	0	19	20	20	30	*	*	*	6	*	5.025
New Plymouth Friendly Society...	1	128	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	124	126	0	100	0	25	769	16.471
Otago Railway Employés Benefit Society ...	1	109	140	0	140	1	0	0	1	248	178.5	8	0	1	5	105	1.578
Total of all the Societies	140	10,277	1,793	252	2,045	64	203	1,052	1,319	11,003	10640	†	†	†	1,253*	48,135*	7.274

* Information incomplete.

† Information so defective as to render totals valueless.

BENEFIT FUNDS.

TABLE III.—Exhibiting a Statement for the Year 1876 of the Benefit Funds of all Friendly Societies included in Table II.

Name of Society.	No. of Branches.	RECEIPTS.								Total.	PAYMENTS.						
		Benefit Funds at commencement of Year.	Entrance Fees.	CONTRIBUTIONS.		Interest and Rent.	Refund of Funeral Benefits from District.	Other Receipts.	Total Sick Pay.		FUNERAL BENEFIT.		Other Benefits.	District Funeral Levy.	Other Payments.	Amount of Funds at end of Year.	
				Sick and Funeral Fund.	Other Funds.						Member.	Wife.					
Manchester Unity, Independent Order of Odd Fellows,—		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Auckland District ...	10	3,631 10 3½	147 18 0	1,192 8 1½	...	284 19 0	136 0 0	231 15 6½	5,624 10 11½	516 1 2	100 0 0	36 0 0	...	218 10 6	190 7 9½	4,563 11 6	
New Plymouth District ...	3	986 19 0	25 9 10	218 13 7½	...	90 6 0	...	49 3 8	1,370 12 1½	70 3 0	...	...	...	8 19 7	51 4 1½	1,240 5 5½
Wellington District ...	9	4,861 16 5½	130 18 3	540 3 10	0 4 4	234 12 2	65 0 0	41 4 3	5,873 19 3½	375 3 3	65 0 0	...	...	56 3 6	17 6 3	5,360 6 3½
Wanganui District ...	2	832 17 7	0 5 3	84 7 2	...	1 9 7	15 0 0	7 16 3	941 15 10	73 9 2	15 0 0	...	...	17 12 6	11 3 5	824 10 9
Nelson District ...	5	5,442 16 3	121 13 9	700 14 9	94 4 3½	317 17 8	...	6 11 10	6,683 18 6½	484 14 2	...	...	...	172 9 0	99 14 9½	5,927 0 7
Motueka District ...	2	1,750 4 4½	18 8 6	157 18 6	...	89 5 0	30 0 0	20 9 9	2,066 6 1½	109 3 4	18 0 0	12 0 0	...	25 19 1	13 13 0	1,887 10 8½	
Marlborough District ...	2	1,474 4 3	23 4 6	206 0 11	40 4 6½	122 11 10	12 0 0	40 19 10	1,919 5 10½	92 4 5	...	12 0 0	...	31 6 0	57 7 2	1,726 8 3½	
North Canterbury District ...	7	2,438 0 10	51 6 3	735 2 11	1 4 3	160 1 4	90 0 0	110 4 8	3,586 0 3	264 9 0	40 0 0	50 0 0	...	116 19 0	161 2 8½	2,953 9 6½	
Lyttelton District ...	4	1,607 3 3	36 8 0	587 15 7	...	119 15 11	10 0 0	14 10 3	2,375 13 0	178 16 8	...	10 0 0	...	19 18 0	36 16 7	2,130 1 9	
North Westland District ...	2	1,517 19 5½	40 15 6	228 11 6½	...	85 11 10	18 0 0	57 15 8½	1,948 13 11½	158 17 2	18 0 0	...	2 5 6	8 6 0	35 0 10½	1,726 4 5½	
Hokitika District ...	5	4,603 17 5½	40 1 0	593 19 2	...	330 0 7	80 0 0	1,215 11 2½	6,863 9 5	342 12 2	80 0 0	...	...	81 4 0	117 17 4½	6,241 15 10½
Otago District ...	20	14,273 3 9½	287 10 9	1,795 13 4	...	656 14 6	180 0 0	82 12 9	17,275 15 1½	957 5 3	160 0 0	20 0 0	...	212 2 3	84 8 9	15,841 18 10½	
Invercargill District ...	4	4,435 15 11½	95 15 0	572 16 2	4 13 0	169 17 8	40 0 0	36 9 2	5,355 6 11½	262 7 8	20 0 0	20 0 0	...	97 17 6	39 15 0	4,915 6 9½	
Total of the Order	75	47,856 8 11	1,019 14 7	7,614 5 7½	140 10 5	2,663 3 1	676 0 0	1,915 4 10½	61,885 7 5½	3,885 6 5	516 0 0	160 0 0	2 5 6	1,067 6 11	915 17 9½	55,338 10 10	
Independent Order of Odd Fellows	4	737 2 6	53 10 4½	341 19 1	14 19 6	34 7 6	5 0 0	1 17 6	1,188 16 5½	36 18 2	...	5 0 0	5 0 0	102 5 6	132 6 3	907 6 6½	
Ancient Order of Foresters,—																	
Auckland District ...	4	2,746 14 9½	154 19 8	930 12 8	...	165 0 10	150 0 0	77 18 8	4,225 6 7½	350 13 4	120 0 0	30 0 0	58 14 8	209 15 0	19 6 8	3,436 16 11½	
Wellington District ...	11	2,218 7 6	177 14 1	833 0 6½	...	60 5 7	50 0 0	...	3,389 7 8½	329 5 2	40 0 0	10 0 0	...	165 1 10	85 1 10	2,759 18 10½	
Nelson District ...	12	3,234 11 11½	101 9 0	956 0 5	12 10 6	157 8 7	75 0 0	59 2 9	4,596 3 2½	464 6 9	35 0 0	45 0 0	71 15 10	88 18 0	48 9 9	3,842 12 10½	
Canterbury District ...	1	1,691 7 7	54 6 6	446 0 3	...	66 7 8	...	...	2,258 2 0	154 0 0	...	...	...	115 9 5	2 18 0	1,985 14 7
Westland District ...	2	438 2 5½	6 19 6	85 8 11½	...	21 13 6	...	0 3 11½	552 8 4½	76 10 0	...	...	...	28 18 0	0 5 0	446 15 4½
Otago District ...	10	3,348 17 2½	149 0 6	1,604 8 7½	20 5 0	285 12 10½	130 0 0	45 16 7	5,584 0 9½	367 19 10	100 0 0	30 0 0	1,037 8 2½	120 18 6	68 0 5	3,859 13 10½	
Court Coromandel ...	1	303 17 2	14 14 6	95 2 11	...	12 10 0	...	15 12 10	441 17 5	110 10 0	20 0 0	...	...	...	...	311 7 5
Court Southern Cross ...	1	1,113 9 7½	49 15 10	187 18 7	...	20 6 1	...	...	1,371 10 1½	57 9 0	45 0 0	...	1 14 0	...	7 7 0	1,266 0 1½
Total of the Order	42	15,095 8 3½	708 19 7	5,188 13 0	32 15 6	789 5 1½	405 0 0	198 14 9½	22,418 16 3½	1,910 14 1	360 0 0	115 0 0	1,169 12 8½	729 0 9	225 8 8	17,909 0 0½	
Ancient Order of Shepherds	1	43 0 0	5 7 6	19 17 6	...	2 17 9	...	...	71 2 9	13 5 0	...	...	...	...	...	57 17 9
Independent Order of Rechabites,—																	
Auckland District ...	2	622 1 8	7 8 9	322 1 7	...	...	...	58 9 7	1,010 1 7	201 14 6	...	...	...	90 3 2	...	718 3 11
New Zealand Central District ...	2	199 0 5½	27 10 10½	66 5 4½	1 2 1½	13 9 3	...	7 0 0	314 8 1½	31 3 4	...	...	...	9 1 10	22 5 1½	251 17 9½
Total of the Order	4	821 2 1½	34 19 7½	388 6 11½	1 2 1½	13 9 3	...	65 9 7	1,324 9 8½	232 17 10	...	...	...	99 5 0	22 5 1½	970 1 8½
Sons and Daughters of Temperance	3	870 14 6	32 11 0	259 9 1	...	36 13 4	10 0 0	4 10 2	1,213 18 1	114 17 9	...	20 0 0	41 5 1	50 11 0	0 5 9	986 18 6	
Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society	6	735 3 11	33 11 9	313 18 6	7 14 6	15 6 6	...	59 3 2	1,164 18 4	177 12 0	20 0 0	10 0 0	...	122 17 11½	33 15 11	800 12 5½	
Protestant Alliance Friendly Society of Australasia	1	328 10 5	17 17 9	157 5 0½	...	8 13 4	25 0 0	...	537 6 6½	97 13 0	25 0 0	...	...	39 11 8	...	375 1 10½
Central Volunteer Fire Brigade	1	118 4 6	...	19 15 6	...	...	...	4 4 0	142 4 0	13 5 0	...	...	11 0 0	...	...	117 19 0
Kaeo and Wangaroa Friendly Society	1	95 14 4	...	29 16 0	...	3 0 0	...	...	128 10 4	16 16 0	3 0 0	...	...	...	8 7 0	100 7 4
New Plymouth Friendly Society	1	2,608 3 9	...	157 16 9	...	211 7 8	...	...	2,977 8 2	96 2 6	...	...	94 13 9	...	...	2,786 11 11
Otago Railway Employés' Benefit Society	1	126 16 6	133 10 0	328 10 0	...	9 4 8	...	27 2 10	625 4 0	14 10 0	...	15 0 0	179 0 6	...	25 7 0	391 6 6	
Total of all the Societies...	140	69,436 9 9	2,040 2 2	14,819 13 0½	197 2 0½	3,787 8 2½	1,121 0 0	2,276 6 10½	93,678 2 1½	6,609 17 9	924 0 0	325 0 0	1,502 17 6½	2,210 18 9½	1,363 13 6½	80,741 14 6	

MANAGEMENT FUNDS.

TABLE IV.—Exhibiting a Statement for the Year 1876 of the Management Funds of all Friendly Societies included in Table II.

Table with columns for Name of Society, No. of Branches, Receipts (Amount of Fund at commencement, Donations, Contributions, Levies, Fines, Entrance Fees, Interest, Sale of Goods, Other Receipts, Collected for other Lodges, Loan from Benefit Funds), Total, and Payments (Salaries, Rent, Printing, District Levy, Purchase of Goods, Refunds, Repayment of Loans, Other Payments, Bad Debts, Cost of Medical Attendance, Amount of Fund at end of Year).

* These Societies have no separate fund for expenses of management.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

TABLE V.—Showing the Assets and Liabilities, at the close of the Year 1876, of all Friendly Societies included in Table II.

Name of Society.	No. of Branches.	LIABILITIES.				Total.	ASSETS.										BENEFIT AND MANAGEMENT FUNDS.			
		Debts Outstanding.	Sick and Funeral Fund.	Management Fund.	Other Funds.		Private Savings Banks.	Shares in Building Societies.	Land and Buildings.	Loans to Members.	Deposits in Banks at Interest.	Mortgages on Real Securities.	Miscellaneous.	Cash in Post Office Savings Bank.	Cash in Hand.	Total Receipts.	Total Payments.			
																		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Manchester Unity, Independent Order of Odd Fellows,—																				
Auckland District	10	20 0 0	4,563 11 6	184 0 8	...	4,767 12 2	195 17 2	...	903 16 6	...	1,765 0 0	1,235 0 0	140 2 6	...	527 16 0	3,167 6 6	2,204 11 9			
New Plymouth District	3	0 10 0	1,240 5 5½	13 15 0	...	1,254 10 5½	...	...	...	...	25 0 0	1,065 0 0	10 18 2	...	153 12 3½	619 5 1½	373 9 3½		
Wellington District	9	400 0 0	5,360 6 3½	475 14 7	...	6,236 0 10½	...	334 6 6	2,863 11 8	...	380 0 0	1,414 10 0	35 0 0	148 4 4	1,060 8 4½	1,813 19 5	1,251 7 10			
Wanganui District	2	...	824 10 9	12 10 11	...	837 1 8	...	...	688 15 9	...	...	...	15 0 0	39 7 0	93 18 11	193 16 9	194 17 6		
Nelson District	5	0 4 0	5,927 0 7	1,011 6 3½	...	6,938 10 10½	111 13 4	...	973 2 6	288 13 0	927 9 4	3,520 0 0	576 18 9	208 6 1	332 7 10½	1,888 14 9	1,329 7 6½			
Motueka District	2	...	1,887 10 8½	21 0 5	...	1,908 11 1½	...	...	100 0 0	206 14 6	1,006 15 0	500 0 0	25 0 0	...	70 1 7½	435 1 7	286 15 1		
Marlborough District	2	...	1,726 8 3½	14 14 1½	...	1,741 2 5	...	...	86 8 8	...	...	1,305 0 0	12 0 0	161 8 11	176 4 10	676 1 2	417 15 0		
North Canterbury District	7	250 0 0	2,952 11 2½	212 18 1	0 18 4	3,416 7 7½	...	...	1,111 10 6	...	100 0 0	...	93 0 0	1,178 6 10	933 10 3½	1,819 2 0½	1,275 10 3½		
Lyttelton District	4	8 15 10	2,180 1 9	239 16 10	...	2,378 14 5	...	...	1,550 0 0	50 0 0	...	100 0 0	40 0 0	370 17 5	267 17 0	1,102 15 6	601 15 2		
North Westland District	2	...	1,726 4 5½	...	...	1,726 4 5½	...	...	...	...	600 0 0	330 0 0	518 0 0	131 2 3	147 2 2½	866 2 5½	657 17 5½		
Hokitika District	5	11 17 0	6,241 15 10½	230 5 9½	...	6,483 18 8	100 0 0	760 0 0	560 12 10	...	2,570 9 2	1,285 0 0	855 15 8	59 9 4	292 11 8	3,641 5 0	1,937 12 1			
Otago District	20	49 9 3	15,518 13 10½	2,939 0 8½	323 5 0	18,830 8 9½	158 0 0	...	2,885 0 0	100 0 0	1,422 19 6	11,599 17 4	568 4 10½	206 0 9	1,890 6 4	6,253 14 11	4,582 16 9			
Invercargill District	4	353 1 11	4,869 6 7½	226 19 4	46 0 2	5,495 8 0½	...	234 5 0	1,860 19 4	...	41 7 2	2,805 0 0	210 1 6	255 1 6	88 13 6½	1,544 13 8	1,158 11 2			
Total of Order	75	1,093 18 0	54,968 7 4	5,582 2 8½	370 3 6	62,014 11 6½	565 10 6	1,328 11 6	13,583 17 9	645 7 6	8,839 0 2	25,159 7 4	3,100 1 5½	2,758 4 5	6,034 10 11½	24,021 18 10½	16,272 6 11			
Independent Order of Odd Fellows	4	1,632 3 8	804 18 2½	358 12 0½	102 8 4	2,898 2 3	...	...	2,685 7 6	...	...	...	90 0 9	...	122 14 0	750 11 5	574 2 6		
Ancient Order of Foresters,—																				
Auckland District	4	...	3,436 16 11½	93 14 10	...	3,530 11 9½	2,002 16 10	...	...	...	1,370 0 0	...	5 0 0	12 9 3	140 5 8½	2,360 6 5	1,691 14 4½		
Wellington District	11	350 14 10	2,759 18 10½	650 3 9½	...	3,760 17 6	...	167 3 4	1,440 17 0	40 0 0	230 0 0	1,085 0 0	212 7 11	150 18 0	434 11 3	2,319 8 1	1,699 16 10½			
Nelson District	12	4 16 0	3,833 7 4½	889 6 6½	9 5 6	4,736 15 4½	115 0 0	40 0 0	...	...	680 0 0	1,604 11 8	1,152 11 6	230 0 0	914 12 2½	2,472 9 7	1,959 16 9		
Canterbury District	1	...	1,839 15 5	507 12 7	145 19 2	2,493 7 2	...	...	800 0 0	...	...	450 0 0	...	1,176 16 6	66 10 8	1,078 19 0	662 1 8		
Westland District	2	...	446 15 4½	13 13 7½	...	460 8 11½	...	...	...	...	426 0 0½	...	6 18 6	...	27 10 5½	292 18 11½	270 12 5½		
Otago District	10	...	3,859 13 10½	1,519 0 11½	...	5,378 14 10	...	...	97 13 6	85 0 0	522 0 0	2,890 0 0	1,044 17 0	111 14 8	627 9 8	3,016 17 1½	2,318 16 7½		
Court Coromandel	1	...	311 7 5	...	...	311 7 5	...	...	...	...	300 0 0	...	...	...	11 7 5	256 10 7	249 0 4		
Court Southern Cross	1	7 7 0	1,266 0 1½	58 12 1½	...	1,331 19 3	...	...	593 4 2	...	500 0 0	...	238 15 1	...	...	499 5 11	555 11 3½		
Total of Order	42	362 17 10	17,753 15 4½	3,732 4 5½	155 4 8	22,004 2 4	2,117 16 10	207 3 4	2,931 14 8	125 0 0	4,028 0 0½	6,029 11 8	2,660 10 0	1,681 18 5	2,222 7 4½	12,296 15 8	9,407 10 4½			
Ancient Order of Shepherds	1	...	57 17 9	12 5 2	...	70 2 11	...	...	...	...	...	...	28 7 3	36 1 3	5 14 5	34 15 9	18 15 6		
Independent Order of Rechabites—																				
Auckland District	2	...	660 0 2	47 16 5½	58 3 9	766 0 4½	111 4 11	...	...	...	217 6 7	180 0 0	42 15 6	150 1 1	64 12 3½	696 19 8½	596 10 10		
New Zealand Central District	2	...	251 17 9½	15 13 4½	...	267 11 2	...	...	...	...	60 0 0	150 0 0	12 0 0	...	45 11 2	190 3 10	136 19 5		
Total of Order	4	...	911 17 11½	63 9 9½	58 3 9	1,033 11 6½	111 4 11	...	...	...	277 6 7	330 0 0	54 15 6	150 1 1	110 3 5½	887 3 6½	733 10 3		
Sons and Daughters of Temperance	3	...	982 4 9	2 15 11	4 13 9	989 14 5	...	...	25 0 0	...	...	780 0 0	16 1 3	50 10 0	118 3 2	523 10 4	409 12 4		
Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society	6	166 4 1½	788 6 5½	100 14 2	23 14 6	1,078 19 3	...	...	70 13 5	35 0 0	462 0 0	...	31 10 0	...	479 15 10	1,079 18 4	1,006 6 6½		
Protestant Alliance Friendly Society of Australasia	1	...	375 1 10½	...	...	375 1 10½	...	...	...	...	...	...	25 0 0	338 13 4	11 8 6½	406 17 11	360 6 5½		
Central Volunteer Fire Brigade	1	...	117 19 0	...	...	117 19 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	100 0 0	...	17 19 0	23 19 6	24 5 0		
Kaero and Wangaroa Friendly Society	1	...	100 7 4	...	...	100 7 4	...	...	...	...	90 0 0	...	...	...	10 7 4	32 16 0	28 3 0		
New Plymouth Friendly Society	1	...	2,786 11 11	14 15 7	...	2,801 7 6	...	...	...	...	...	2,763 19 3	...	...	37 8 3	489 17 2	330 14 9		
Otago Railway Employé's Benefit Society	1	...	391 6 6	...	...	391 6 6	...	...	...	...	...	...	6 11 0	384 15 6	...	498 7 6	233 17 6		
Total of all the Societies	140	3,255 3 7½	80,038 14 6	9,866 19 10½	714 8 6	93,875 6 5½	2,794 12 3	1,535 14 10	19,296 13 4	805 7 6	13,696 6 9½	35,062 18 3	6,112 17 2½	5,400 4 0	9,170 12 3½	41,046 12 0	29,399 11 1½			

COMPARATIVE RETURN, deduced from Tables II., III., IV. and V., of the Experience, during 1876, of the Four Principal Orders of Friendly Societies in the Colony.

Name of Order.	Mean of the Nos. of Members at beginning and end of Year.	Average No. of Members to each Branch.	Average Age of Members.	Sick and Funeral Funds per Member.	Mortality and Sickness.			Receipts per Member.			Expenditure per Member.			Ratio per cent. of undermentioned Expenses to Total of Contributions and Levies for Sick, Funeral, and Management Funds.				Ratio per cent. of Total Expenditure to Total Income.
					Percentage of Members who died during the Year.	Percentage of Members Sick during Year.	No. of Days' Sickness per Member.	Contributions to Sick and Funeral Funds	Contributions and Levies to Management Fund.	Total of Contributions and Levies.	Sick Pay.	Medical Aid.	Expenses of Management.*	Sick Pay.	Funeral Benefits.	Medical Expenses.	Expenses of Management.*	
Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Manchester Unity	5675	77.8	31.4	£ 9.418	.616	12.785	5.491	£ 1.342	£ 1.300	£ 2.642	£ .685	£ .833	£ .783	25.9	4.5	31.5	29.6	67.7
Ancient Order of Foresters	3523.5	86.8	31.3	4.870	.539	12.629	3.142	1.473	1.132	2.605	.542	.662	.614	20.8	5.2	25.4	23.6	76.5
Independent Order of Rechabites	257	64.5	31.5	3.534	.389	18.677	8.836	1.511	.536	2.047	.906	.742	.687	44.3	...	36.3	33.5	82.7
Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society	271.5	45.7	32.9	2.877	1.104	11.418	3.786	1.156	1.560	2.716	.654	1.230	.935	24.1	4.1	45.3	34.4	93.2

* The expenses of management referred to in these columns include all payments from the Management Funds, except "Refunds to other Societies," "Purchase of Goods," and "Medical Expenses."

C. GODFREY KNIGHT, Actuary.