

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

<i>Revenue.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
From Government ...	374	16 6	Rations ...	169	19 0
Local bodies ...	374	16 5	Wines, spirits, ale, &c. ...	32	8 0
Patients' payments ...	59	13 6	Surgery and dispensary ...	90	10 5
			Fuel and light ...	39	2 0
			Bedding and clothing ...	22	13 4
			Furniture and earthenware ...	18	14 0
			Washing and laundry ...	12	3 10
			Salaries and wages ...	344	13 8
			Repairs ...	23	13 0
			Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery ...	11	5 9
			Interest ...	6	5 11
			Insurance ...	7	17 6
			Other expenses ...	30	0 0
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>£809</b>	<b>6 5</b>	<b>Total ...</b>	<b>£809</b>	<b>6 5</b>

This is a very satisfactory institution. It is airy, comfortable, and clean. The nursing is excellent, the doctors attentive, and the patients very contented. This is, however, as I pointed out last year, an illustration of the heedless determination of the people of New Zealand to have hospitals at their doors in every centre of population.

## HOKITIKA HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1898 ...	34
Admitted during the year ...	156
<b>Total under treatment ...</b>	<b>190</b>
Discharged ...	131
Died ...	27
<b>Remaining on 31st March, 1899 ...</b>	<b>32</b>

*Sex.*—149 males, 41 females.

*Locality from which Patients came.*—Westland.

*Country.*—England, 52; Scotland, 23; Ireland, 39; Germany, 10; Italy, 4; New Zealand and Australia, 49; China, 1; Austria, 4; Switzerland, 3; Norway, 2; France, 1; America, 2.

*Religion.*—Church of England, 67; Presbyterian, 41; Roman Catholic, 60; Freethinker, 1; Lutheran, 12; Wesleyan, 7; Church of Christ, 1; Confucian, 1.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 11,333; individual average days' stay, 59.64. Daily average cost per head, 4s. 11½d.; less patients' payments, 3s. 11½d.

*Outdoor Patients.*—Individual cases, 319; attendances, 695.

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<i>Revenue.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
From Government ...	1,115	14 11	Rations ...	653	0 3
Local bodies ...	627	1 8	Wines, spirits, ale, &c. ...	33	19 0
Subscriptions and donations ...	370	9 9	Surgery and dispensary ...	211	2 7
Patients' payments ...	82	10 0	Fuel and light ...	133	8 9
Other sources ...	32	14 10	Bedding and clothing ...	34	12 1
Balance from last year ...	104	17 6	Furniture and earthenware ...	6	6 6
			Salaries and wages ...	843	16 4
			Funerals ...	11	11 0
			Repairs ...	212	14 0
			Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery ...	36	7 8
			Interest ...	0	18 0
			Insurance ...	24	4 0
			Commission ...	19	2 3
			Other expenses ...	113	16 9
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>£2,333</b>	<b>8 8</b>	<b>Total ...</b>	<b>£2,334</b>	<b>19 2</b>

This Hospital is in a very satisfactory condition as regards its medical and surgical work, its nursing and the general comfort of the patients. The vigilance of the Trustees is perhaps excessive. Only in one or two matters they need to have their memories refreshed. A new bath is badly wanted in the south male ward, and it is not right that such a fine piece of garden-land on the flat should be leased for a trifle, and the patients allowed to go without a first-rate supply of vegetables, which they might so easily get if the gardener were of any use. Another piece of neglect is that the bread is not good.