1903. NEW ZEALAND.

LUNATIC ASYLUMS

(PARTICULARS RELATIVE TO ATTENDANTS EMPLOYED IN THE).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 24th July, 1903.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing (1) the number of attendants employed in the asylums of the colony; (2) the average rate of pay received by each attendant, according to the grade in which they are employed, or any other allowance they may be entitled to; (3) the average length of service of each; (4) the average number of working-hours per week, including holidays; (5) the average number of working-hours per week, including holidays; (5) the average number of retiring-allowance."— (Mr. WITTY.)

LUNACY DEPARTMENT.

1. The number of attendants employed in the asylums of the colony: Male, 187; female, 143: total, 330.

2. Average rate of pay received by each attendant, according to the grade in which they are employed, and any other allowances they may be entitled to: Male—head attendants £128, artisan attendants £114 8s., charge attendants £97 11s. 5d., attendants £77 1s. 8d.; female— matrons £95, charge attendants £55 15s. 6d, attendants £43 11s. 8d, cooks £57 18s., laundresses £55. In addition, all attendants receive board, lodging, and washing.

3. The average length of service of each: Male—head attendants 12 years 6 months, artisan attendants 8 years 8 months, charge attendants 10 years 1 month, attendants 2 years 8 months; female-matrons 10 years 1 month, charge attendants 4 years 4 months, attendants 2 years 2 months, cooks 2 years 9 months, laundresses 4 years 5 months.

4. The average number of working-hours per week, including holidays: 89³/₄.
5. The average number of working-hours per week, exclusive of holidays: 71³/₄.

6. The amount of money due to them for compensation or for retiring allowance : Amount due for retiring allowances, £3,223 8s. 4d.; amount to their credit in the hands of the Public Trustee, £4,495 1s. 8d.

D. MACGREGOR.

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