

PALMERSTON NORTH HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1902	...	...	...	...	23
Admitted during year	...	...	...	...	254
					277
Discharged	...	...	...	...	237
Died	...	...	...	...	22
					18
Remaining on 31st March, 1903	...	...	...	...	18

Sex.—190 males, 87 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Palmerston North, 240; Wanganui, 10; Napier, 7; Wellington, 17; Hawera, 1; Auckland, 1; Greymouth, 1.

Nationality.—English, 74; Scotch, 15; Irish, 32; New Zealand, 126; Australian, 11; German, 10; Canadian, 1; Danish, 6; Norwegian, 2.

Religion.—Church of England, 109; Roman Catholic, 64; Presbyterian, 29; Wesleyan, 25; Primitive Methodist, 5; Lutheran, 17; Salvation Army, 4; Baptist, 6; Plymouth Brethren, 7; Congregationalist, 3; Jewish, 1; Quaker, 1; Adventist, 1; Church of Christ, 1; undenominational, 4.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 7,288; individual average days' stay, 26.31. Daily average cost per head, 5s. 5d.; less patients' payments, 4s.

Outdoor Patients.—No record.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
From Government	...	779	3	2	Rations	...	372	3	4
Local bodies	...	707	17	0	Wines, spirits, ale, &c.	...	13	3	6
Subscriptions and donations	...	69	16	0	Surgery and dispensary	...	155	6	5
Patients' payments	...	550	0	3	Fuel and light	...	200	0	5
Other sources	...	38	11	9	Bedding and clothing	...	25	5	9
Balance from last year	...	470	4	5	Furniture and earthenware	...	32	11	11
					Washing and laundry	...	43	2	10
					Salaries and wages	...	888	0	0
					Funerals	...	13	12	6
					Repairs	...	35	5	2
					Additions	...	254	3	8
					Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery	...	33	13	3
					Interest	...	0	19	0
					Insurance	...	39	17	9
					Other expenses	...	160	6	10
Total	...	£2,615	12	7	Total	...	£2,267	12	4

Visited 12th September.—Miss Dougherty and her staff are working with thorough efficiency. The kitchen department is specially to be commended. To provide verandah shelter for patients from the large ward is a problem of difficulty in this Hospital. I discussed the matter in all its bearings with the doctors and Secretary, and immediate action was to be taken.

PATEA HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1902	...	...	...	...	2
Admitted during the year	...	...	...	...	50
					52
Discharged	...	...	...	...	47
Died	...	...	...	...	3
					2
Remaining on 31st March, 1903	...	...	...	...	2

Sex.—38 males, 14 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Hawera to Waitotara.

Nationality.—English, 19; Irish, 11; New Zealand, 14; Australian, 3; Swedish, 1; Norwegian, 2; Canadian, 1; Syrian, 1.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 1,099; individual average days' stay, 21.13. Daily average cost per head, 9s. 11d.; less patients' payments, 7s. 6d.