TABLE 16.-Admissions in 1913, classified according to Parents' Circumstances and Character.

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The numbers of children admitted were—From Auckland, 66; from Wellington, 69; from Christchurch, 50; and from Dunedin, 27. From Whangarei and Westport respectively 14 and 11 were admitted, while in no case were more than 9 sent from any of the other smaller towns. The records show that, of the total number of children received, 25 per cent. were known to be illegitimate.

When children are before the Courts the Magistrates, after hearing evidence, direct in what religious denomination they are to be brought up. The orders made in 1913 show the denominations to be as follows: Church of England, 169; Roman Catholic, 100; Presbyterian, 39; Methodist, 12; Salvation Army, 1; Congregational, 1; Jewish, 1; Baptist, 4. In one case no order was made.

The number of inmates over whom the control of the schools terminated during the year was 204. Of this number, 122 were then of good character, 5 fair, 1 bad, 3 were married, 29 were discharged under the age of fifteen years (6 of whom were legally adopted). In 27 cases information as to character cannot be given, the whereabouts of the inmates (who were absent without leave) being unknown at the time of termination of the period of control.

There were 17 deaths, particulars of which appear in the following table :---