DIPHTHERIA.

Fifteen more deaths were attributed to this cause in 1913 than in 1912, but 14 less than in 1910. The average for the years was 62.

INFLUENZA.

As in the case of whooping-cough, the number of deaths in 1910 (141) was much above the average. Sixty-five deaths from influenza were registered in 1912, and the average for the five years 1908-12 was 76

TUBERCULOSIS.

Deaths from phthisis numbered 578 or 5.41 per 1,000 of the population, against 524 or 5.04 per 10,000 in 1912, and 588 deaths or 6.05 per 10,000 in 1909. The average for the past ten years was 564, or 5 per 10,000.

| Year. | Deaths from Phthisis. | | Rate per 10,000. | Year. | Deaths from Phthisis. | | Rate per 10,000. | |
|-------|--------------------------|-----|------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--|------------------|------|
| 1904 | | 598 | 7.0 8 | 1909 | | | 588 | 6.05 |
| 1905 | | 496 | 5.70 | 1910 | | | 55 0 | 5.54 |
| 1906 | | 556 | 6.21 | 1911 | | | 536 | 5.28 |
| 1907 | | 612 | 6.66 | 191 2 | | | 524 | 5.04 |
| 1908 | | 607 | 6.42 | 1913 | | | 57 8 | 5.41 |

Reference to the following table will show that 372 persons known to have been born in the Dominion died during 1913 from phthisis, and 206 persons born elsewhere.

Deaths from Phthisis, 1913

| | Age at Death. | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|----------------------|----------|
| Length of Residence in New Zealand. | Under 5 Years. | 5 to 10. | 10 to 15. | 15 to 25. | 25 to 35. | 35 to 45. | 45 to 55. | 55 to 65. | 65 to 75. | 75 and up- wards. | Total. |
| ${\it Males}$. | į į | : | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 1 month | | ••• | | | 2 | | | | | | 2 |
| 1 month and under 6 months | | | | | | 1 | | . 1 | | | 1 |
| 6 months and under 12 " | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | 3 |
| 1 year and under 2 years | | | | 2 | 1 } | 2 | | | | } | 5 |
| 2 years and under 3 , | | | | | 2 | 2 | | | | | 4 |
| 3 , 4 ,, | ••• | | | | 2 | 1 | | • • • [| | | 3 |
| 4 " 5 " | | | | | 4 | 2 | 1 | | | I | 7 |
| 5 " 10 " | | | | | 6 | 6 | 1 | 1 | | | 14 |
| 10 " 15 " | | [| | • • • • | 3 | 5 | 1 | 2 | | | 11 |
| 15 " 20 " | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 1 | | | 4 |
| 20 " 25 " | | | | | | 1 | 3 | | | | 4 |
| 25 years and upwards | | أ | | [| 2 | 9 | 13 | 15 | 8 | 3 | 50 |
| Not known | | | | | 2 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 25 |
| Born in Dominion | ••• | $2 \mid$ | | 37 | 5 2 | . 37 | 12 | 4 | 2 | ••• | 146 |
| Totals | | 2 | | 40 | 78 | 74 | 36 | 26 | 17 | 6 | 279 |
| Females. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 1 month | | | | ¦ | ١ ٠٠٠ | | | | • • • | | |
| 1 month and under 6 months | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 months and under 12 " | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | 4 |
| 1 year and under 2 years | |] | | l | 2 | 1 | 2 | | | | 6 |
| 2 years and under 3 " | | | | 1. | | ••• | | | | ¦ [| 1 |
| 3 " 4 " | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| 4 , 5 , | • • • • | ••• | | | | | | | | | ••• |
| 5 " 10 " | • • • • | | • • • • | 1 | 4 | 2 | | | • • • | | 7 |
| 10 " 15 " | | | • • • • | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | 3 |
| 15 " 20 " | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | 2 |
| 20 " 25 " | | | | .,. | ٠٠. | | 1 | | 1 | | 2 |
| 25 years and upwards | | | • • • • | | 3 | 6 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 40 |
| Not known | | | | 1 | ::: | 3 | 2 | • • • • • • | • • • • • | 1 | 7 |
| Born in Dominion | 2 | 2 | 8 | 71 | 79 | 47 | 12 | 5 | | | 226 |
| Totals | 2 | 2 | 8 | 77 | 91 | 61 | 30 | 16 | 9 | 3 | 299 |
| Totals of both sexes | 2 | 4 | 8 | 117 | 169 | 135 | 66 | 42 | 26 | 9 | 578 |

The mortality from all forms of tuberculosis has decreased from 9.46 per 10,000 of population in 1904 to 6.89 in 1912, but rose to 7.60 in 1913. The percentage of total deaths from all causes has decreased during the ten years from 9.88 to 8.02.