

Nationality.—England, 21; Ireland, 5; Scotland, 6; Australia, 2; Sweden and Norway, 2; Germany, 2; Syria, 1; New Zealand, 10.

Total collective days' stay in hospital, 2,560; individual average stay, 52½ days. Average daily cost per head, 3s. 10d.; less repayments by patients, 3s. 6½d.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.					
<i>Revenue.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
From Government ...	318	2 6	Rations ...	110	19 2
From local bodies ...	226	13 0	Wines, spirits, ales, &c. ...	16	12 0
Subscriptions and donations ...	9	0 3	Surgery and dispensary ...	8	14 8
Rents ...	6	0 3	Fuel and light ...	30	7 9
Patients' payments ...	35	16 0	Bedding and clothing ...	6	12 10
Other sources ...	3	17 6	Furniture and earthenware ...	7	7 5
			Washing ...	14	15 0
			Salaries and wages ...	213	10 0
			Water ...	9	11 0
			Funerals ...	31	0 0
			Repairs ...	6	3 6
			Printing, stationery, &c. ...	8	4 8
			Travelling-expenses ...	15	2 6
			Insurance ...	5	0 0
			Other expenses ...	7	9 2
Total ...	£599	9 3	Total ...	£491	9 8

INSPECTION.

At my annual visit I found this hospital was carefully looked after by the custodian and his wife. The patients were all satisfied with their treatment, and there is no doubt that they are very comfortable. Last year the total expenditure was £468, while the number of patients admitted during the year was sixteen. This year the number admitted was forty-two, and yet, as shown by the returns, the expenditure was this year only £20 more.

PATEA HOSPITAL.

Number of patients remaining, 31st March, 1888 ...	1
Admitted during the year ...	17
Total under treatment ...	18
Discharged ...	9
Died ...	2
Remaining, 31st March, 1889 ...	7

Localities from which Patients came.—Kakaramaea to Waitotara.

Sex.—15 males, 2 females.

Nationality.—English, 7; Irish, 3; Scotch, 1; Welsh, 2; Colonial, 3; German, 1.

Total collective number of hospital days, 472; individual days' stay, 27. Average daily cost per patient, 12s. 4d.; less repayments by patients, 11s. 8½d.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.					
<i>Revenue.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Contributed by Government ...	150	0 0	Rations ...	48	9 3
Local bodies ...	150	0 0	Wines, spirits, ales, &c. ...	1	16 0
Patients' payments ...	14	13 0	Surgery and dispensary ...	3	7 8
			Fuel and light ...	10	4 9
			Bedding, clothing, &c. ...	4	13 6
			Salaries and wages ...	190	0 0
			Funerals ...	5	17 6
			Repairs ...	1	6 0
			Printing, stationery, &c. ...	4	2 2
			Insurance ...	1	10 0
			Tree-planting, &c. ...	20	0 2
Total ...	£314	13 0	Total ...	£291	7 0

INSPECTION.

I inspected this hospital on the 28th March, 1889, and found in residence six male patients. I was satisfied that both from the doctor and the custodian's wife the patients received every attention. The wife's husband did not seem to me to be of much service to the institution. It will be observed that the daily cost per head of the patients in this hospital is greater than the highest hotel-charges in the colony.