

Localities from which Patients came.—Wanganui, 52; district north of Wanganui, 14; district south of Wanganui, 95.

Sex.—131 males, 30 females.

Country.—England, 62; Scotland, 33; Ireland, 40; Germany, 10; Sweden, 5; Denmark, 5; France, 3; American States, 2; Austria, 1.

Religion.—Roman Catholic, 50; Protestant Dissenters, 109.

Total collective days' stay in hospital, 7,235; individual average stay, 44·93 days. Daily average cost per patient, 3s. 9½d.; less patients' payments, 3s. 3½d. Out-patients, 37 individuals.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

<i>Revenue.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>	£	s.	d.
From Government ...	529	13	1	Rations ...	276	16	9
Local bodies ...	359	11	0	Wines, spirits, ales, &c. ...	16	18	2
Subscriptions and donations ...	...	...	...	Surgery and dispensary ...	102	19	7
Rents ...	253	13	0	Fuel and light ...	77	8	8
Patients' payments ...	166	14	8	Bedding and clothing ...	57	2	8
Other sources ...	100	6	6	Furniture and earthenware ...	11	0	4
				Washing ...	35	10	9
				Salaries and wages ...	536	15	4
				Water and other rates ...	50	17	0
				Funerals ...	9	0	0
				Repairs ...	22	16	6
				Printing, stationery, &c. ...	7	15	9
				Boarding-out hospital patients ...	69	10	8
				Insurance ...	8	15	0
				Members' travelling-expenses ...	47	8	10
				Other expenses ...	32	13	7
Total ...	£1,409	18	3	Total ...	£1,363	9	7

INSPECTION.

This hospital, though old and very unsuitable for its purpose, is very carefully managed. The secretary, Mr. Bamber, takes the greatest possible interest in its working, and to him is largely due the fact that while the comfort of the patients is carefully attended to both by the medical staff and the nurses, yet the cost per patient is relatively very low. The number of patients on the day of my visit was twenty-one—eighteen males and three females. Of these six were chronic cases, showing that here, as in other places, people are sent to the hospital for lack of a suitable refuge. It is probable that the Palmerston district will soon have a hospital of its own, in which case, though the Wanganui Hospital never can be made a good hospital building, yet it may serve the purpose of the reduced district for some time longer.

WELLINGTON HOSPITAL.

Patients remaining, 31st March, 1888 ...	100
Admitted during the year ...	809
Total under treatment ...	909
Discharged ...	654
Died ...	50
Remaining, 31st March, 1889 ...	105

Localities from which Patients came.—Wellington, 640; Wellington district, 40; Hutt, 25; Masterton, 23; shipping, 19; Palmerston, 13; Otaki, 28; Christchurch, 3; Dunedin, 3; Featherston, 3; Hokitika, 2; Wanganui, 2; Napier, 1; Greytown, 1; Kaikoura, 1; Lyttelton, 1; Carterton, 1; Westport, 1.

Sex.—556 males, 353 females.

Country.—England, 307; Ireland, 124; Scotland, 64; Colonies, 268; France, 1; Sweden, 7; Portugal, 2; Germany, 9; America, 7; Holland, 1; Italy, 2; Prussia, 4; Russia, 2; Denmark, 1; Japan, 1; Norway, 4; China, 1; Africa, 1; Hungary, 1; Belgium, 1.

Religion.—Church of England, 404; Roman Catholic, 187; Presbyterian, 85; Wesleyan, 56; Baptist, 18; Congregational, 5; Lutheran, 9; Salvation Army, 23; Plymouth Brethren, 6; Hebrew, 4; Catholic Apostolic, 1; Chinese, 1; Freethinker, 10.

Total collective number of hospital days, 31,009; individual average stay, 34·12 days. Daily average cost per patient, 4s. 3½d.; less patients' payments, 4s. 2½d. Out-patients—individuals, 1,160; attendances, 3,640.