

The staff of this Hospital has been much strengthened by the accession of Miss Austin, a trained nurse from the Timaru Hospital. The management is careful, and the institution as a whole is in a sound condition. The new building is well designed, but somewhat too large for the requirements of the district. It is gratifying to find that the amount recovered from patients amounted this year to £152 10s., as against £70 9s. last year.

ROSS HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1890	...	...	3
Admitted during the year	...	...	47
Total under treatment	...	...	50
Discharged	...	...	37
Died	...	...	7
Remaining on 31st March, 1891	...	...	6

Sex.—34 males, 16 females.

Locality from which Patients came.—Ross and neighbourhood.

Country.—England, 6; Scotland, 8; Ireland, 10; New Zealand, 9; United States of America, 2; Australia, 5; Germany, 3; Denmark, 2; Italy, 2; Sweden, 1; Switzerland, 1; France, 1.

Religion.—No record kept.

Total collective days' stay in hospital, 2,208; individual average days' stay, 45. Daily average cost per head, 6s. 3½d.; less patients' payments, 6s. 2¾d.

Outdoor Patients.—None.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

<i>Revenue.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>	£	s.	d.
From Government	...	...	385 15 8	Rations	...	...	191 6 4
Local bodies	...	...	229 19 4	Wines, spirits, ale, &c.	...	...	48 9 1
Subscriptions and donations	...	...	70 16 6	Surgery and dispensary	...	...	18 5 2
Patients' payments	...	...	4 10 6	Fuel and light	...	...	15 0 11
Other sources	...	...	1 0 0	Bedding and clothing	...	...	6 10 0
				Furniture and earthenware	...	...	312 6 6
				Salaries and wages	...	...	4 10 0
				Water-supply	...	...	28 0 0
				Funerals	...	...	19 18 6
				Repairs	...	...	16 8 0
				Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery	...	...	6 2 6
				Insurance	...	...	25 5 0
				Other expenses	...	...	
Total	...	...	£692 2 0	Total	...	...	£692 2 0

The advent of Dr. Miles has had the effect of putting new life into this almost moribund hospital. The patients this year numbered fifty, as against twenty-nine last year, while the total expenditure was only £692, as against £667 last year. The patients spoke in the highest terms of the kindness and attention they received.

THAMES HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1890	...	...	13
Admitted during the year	...	...	171
Total under treatment	...	...	184
Discharged	...	...	153
Died	...	...	18
Remaining on 31st March, 1891	...	...	13

Sex.—139 males, 45 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Thames Borough and County, Ohinemuri County.

Country.—England, 48; Scotland, 12; Ireland, 23; New Zealand, 67; Australia, 5; America, 4; Belgium, 3; China, 3; France, 2; Sweden, 2; Jersey, 1; Jamaica, 1; Norway, 1; Germany, 1; aboriginals, 11.

Religion.—No record kept.

Total collective days' stay in hospital, 4,115; individual average days' stay, 22.36. Daily average cost per head, 6s. 11½d.; less patients' payments, 5s. 10½d.

Outdoor Patients.—Individual cases, 228; attendances, 570.