

No. 3.

Dr. PURCHAS'S REPORT on the AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

SIR,—

Auckland, 9th March, 1895.

In reporting on the Auckland Industrial School, I have pleasure in stating that the health of the children has been exceptionally good during the past year, especially among those who are boarded out. There has been no serious epidemic, and, considering the inherited unhealthiness of some of the children, it speaks well for the care of the foster-mothers that there has been so little sickness.

I have much satisfaction in reporting that the very serious operation in the case of a girl who has long been a cripple from long-continued disease of the hip has been successful. She is now in excellent health, and can walk well without crutches or stick. She owes much to the unremitting care of Miss Jackson and her assistant, and although she still needs attention there is every reason to hope that the result will be a complete cure.

The Secretary, Education Department,
Wellington.

I am, &c.,

A. G. PURCHAS, M.R.C.S., Eng.,
Medical Officer, Auckland Industrial School.

No. 4.

Dr PRINS'S REPORT ON BURNHAM SCHOOL.

SIR,—

Christchurch, May, 1895.

I have the honour to forward the following report on the Industrial School at Burnham:—
The school has been kept clean and orderly throughout the year. The inmates have enjoyed good health—with the exception of measles and chicken-pox. One boy licensed out to a farmer died as the result of a gun-accident.

The system of boarding out the children with foster-parents continues to give satisfaction.

The band continues to give pleasure and amusement to the inmates, and seem to be appreciated wherever they play.

The farm, garden, and orchard seem well looked after. They are a source of instruction and interest to the boys and usefulness to the institution.

The master and matron take the greatest interest in the institution and inmates, and with the assistance of the other officials give the school a homely appearance.

I am, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister of Education, Wellington.

H. H. PRINS, M.R.C.S., Eng.,
Medical Officer

No. 5

Dr BURNS'S REPORT ON CAVERSHAM SCHOOL.

SIR,—

Industrial School, Caversham, 31st March, 1895.

I have the honour to report that the past year has been satisfactory from a sanitary point of view. No epidemic illness has occurred. Some scrofulous cases have improved under ordinary treatment. The general health of the 103 inmates is good. One case of fracture of the thigh-bone occurred.

I have nothing special to say of the boarded-out children. Very little sickness has visited them, and such as I have had occasion to see I am satisfied receive every attention from their foster-parents.

I have, &c.,

The Secretary, Education Department,
Wellington.

ROBERT BURNS, F.R.C.S., Edin.,
Medical Officer

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