

SLEEPING-ACCOMMODATION IN ASYLUMS.

Asylum.	Number of Patients, May, 1899.	Number of Single Rooms.	Number of Patients to be accommodated in Common Dormitories.	Common Dormitory Accommodation: Cubic Feet.	Statutory Accommodation in Common Dormitories: Number of Patients.	Number of Patients in excess of Statutory Accommodation.
Auckland ...	435	94	341	219,122	365	...
Christchurch ...	507	82	425	227,010	378	47
Seacliff ...	636	139	497	216,792	361	136
Hokitika ...	130	21	109	69,302	115	...
Nelson ...	135	32	103	60,019	100	3
Porirua ...	377	7	370	259,480	432	...
Wellington ...	228	67	161	100,173	167	...
Totals ...	2,448	442	2,006	1,151,898	1,918	...

Single Rooms.

Asylum.	Number of Single Rooms.	Total Space: Cubic Feet.	Cubic Feet for each Room.
Auckland ...	94	84,508	899
Christchurch...	82	69,651	850
Seacliff ...	139	105,886	762
Hokitika ...	21	15,055	716
Nelson ...	32	28,342	886
Porirua ...	7	6,168	880
Wellington ...	67	60,663	906
Totals ...	442	370,273	837

At Auckland there is apparently sleeping-accommodation for 459 patients, but there is only floor-space for 407. The number in the asylum is 435; there are, therefore, twenty-eight patients accommodated in excess of the statutory requirements.

At Nelson the apparent accommodation in common dormitories is for one hundred patients, but there is only floor-space for ninety-three. The actual number accommodated is one hundred and three, being ten in excess of legal requirements.

At Porirua there appears to be sleeping-room for 432 patients in the common dormitories, but the floor-space will only allow of 382 being accommodated.

At Wellington Asylum the floor-space is sufficient for 161 patients—the number accommodated. The following table shows the actual deficiency in sleeping-accommodation:—

Auckland ...	28 patients in excess.
Christchurch ...	47 "
Seacliff ...	136 "
Nelson ..	10 "
	221
Less room for six at Hokitika, and twelve at Porirua	18
Total ...	203 patients in excess.

BUILDINGS NOW AUTHORISED AND IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION.

The farm auxiliary at Seacliff provides for fifty-two patients; single rooms at Auckland provide for twenty patients; wing at Porirua provides for seventy-seven patients: total, 149 patients.

At the end of the year, if no fresh buildings are authorised in addition to those already in hand, the condition of things will be as follows:—

Number in excess at present date	...	203
Accommodation being provided for	...	149
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Add estimated increase of patients at 31st December, 1899 (the average yearly increase is ninety)	...	50
Estimated excess at 31st December, 1899	...	104