

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

<i>Revenue.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>	£	s.	d.
From Government ...	4,278	15	5	Rations ...	3,097	6	9
Local bodies ...	3,900	0	0	Wines, spirits, ale, &c. ...	114	3	7
Subscriptions and donations ...	1,044	11	1	Surgery and dispensary ...	1,509	1	8
Rents ...	2,082	15	2	Fuel and light ...	845	4	3
Patients' payments ...	1,840	0	5	Bedding and clothing ...	451	11	11
Other sources ...	27	10	0	Furniture and earthenware ...	161	5	4
Balance from last year ...	3,066	1	2	Washing and laundry ...	329	19	1
				Salaries and wages ...	3,585	16	8
				Water-supply ...	180	8	0
				Funerals ...	30	19	6
				Repairs ...	268	16	2
				Additions to buildings ...	2,029	9	0
				Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery ...	63	2	0
				Interest and principal ...	403	12	0
				Insurance ...	41	17	6
				Other expenses ...	287	7	3
Total ...	£16,239	13	3	Total ...	£13,400	0	8

This Hospital is so well known for its vigorous and successful administration that I have nothing new to say about it. I am sorry to find that there is a falling-off of about £200 in the patients' payments for the year. Auckland Hospital collected £2,795, as against £1,840 for Wellington. The eight-hours system has been introduced for the nurses, and here, if anywhere, it is justified, for on the day of my last visit practically every bed was full. I was present when the bed in which a patient had just died was being got ready for another who was just being put into it. The new operating-room, which is well designed is rapidly approaching completion. The new Matron appears, after a certain amount of inevitable difficulty, to have got everything well in hand. I think the time has come when Dr. Ewart ought to accept the assistance of a junior surgeon. Miss Godfrey has retired from the position of Matron, which for many years she filled so satisfactorily, carrying with her the good-will and respect of all who knew her.

WESTPORT HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1898 ...	29
Admitted during the year ...	119
Total under treatment ...	148
Discharged ...	114
Died ...	17
Remaining on 31st March, 1899 ...	17

Sex.—126 males, 22 females.

Locality from which Patients came.—Buller County.

Country.—England, 26; Ireland, 25; Scotland, 21; New Zealand, 34; Australia, 8; Tasmania, 4; America, 8; Germany, 15; Italy, 5; China, 2.

Religion.—Church of England, 46; Roman Catholic, 66; Presbyterian, 20; Wesleyan, 9; Lutheran, 3; Adventist, 2; Confucian, 2.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 9,043; individual average days' stay, 61·10. Daily average cost per head, 3s. 7½d.; less patients' payments, 3s. 3d.

Outdoor Patients.—Individual cases, 90; attendances, 273.

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<i>Revenue.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>	£	s.	d.
From Government ...	941	13	1	Rations ...	373	1	9
Local bodies ...	661	0	5	Wines, spirits, ale, &c. ...	27	16	1
Subscriptions and donations ...	233	17	3	Surgery and dispensary ...	81	17	5
Patients' payments ...	178	9	5	Fuel and light ...	87	17	11
Other sources ...	25	1	5	Bedding and clothing ...	44	3	6
				Furniture and earthenware ...	52	12	1
				Salaries and wages ...	581	3	2
				Funerals ...	39	15	0
				Repairs ...	286	13	11
				Additions ...	391	18	0
				Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery, &c. ...	32	5	9
				Insurance ...	11	12	3
				Commission ...	5	9	4
				Other expenses ...	23	15	5
Total ...	£2,040	1	7	Total ...	£2,040	1	7