

Sex.—41 males, 3 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Bannockburn, 10; Cromwell, 6; Nevis, 7; Lowburn, &c., 2; Wanaka and Hawea, 5; Tarras, 5; Mount Pisa, 5; Kawarau, 1; Bendigo, 1; Roaring Meg, 1; Roxburgh, 1.

Country.—England, 9; Scotland, 14; Ireland, 7; New Zealand, 8; Norway, 3; China, 2; Germany, 1.

Religion.—Roman Catholic, 6; Confucian, 2; Protestant, 36.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 1,367; individual average days' stay, 31.06. Daily average cost per head, 9s. 4½d.; less patients' payments, 8s. 6d.

Outdoor Patients.—Individual cases, 43; attendances, 89.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.									
<i>Revenue.</i>			£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>			£ s. d.
From Government	...	...	333	11	8	Rations	...	...	87 17 2
Local bodies	...	...	233	1	1	Wines, spirits, ale, &c.	...	...	5 10 0
Subscriptions and donations	...	...	113	10	0	Surgery and dispensary	...	...	36 10 9
Patients' payments	...	...	60	9	5	Fuel and light	...	...	17 14 6
Other sources	...	...	3	19	4	Bedding and clothing	...	...	3 10 4
Balance from last year	...	...	67	11	9	Salaries and wages	...	...	392 6 0
						Water-supply	...	...	25 0 0
						Funerals	...	...	8 0 0
						Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery	...	...	16 2 0
						Insurance	...	...	8 12 6
						Other expenses	...	...	40 3 3
Total	...	...	£812	3	3	Total	...	...	£641 6 6

This institution, ever since the lamented death of Mr. Spence Turton, its Chairman for many years, has fallen on evil days. I made a special visit in midwinter to endeavour to smooth things over, but failed, owing to the embittered state of feeling which prevailed between the two parties—the doctor's party on the one side and the party which wished to get rid of him on the other. The patients, however, were well looked after through it all. Irregularities in the election of Trustees had for the time paralysed the government of the Hospital. Only time and increased vigilance on the part of the local authorities can reduce things to order.

DUNEDIN HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1898	...	...	99
Admitted during the year	...	...	1,081
Total under treatment	...	...	1,180
Discharged	...	...	975
Died	...	...	106
Remaining on 31st March, 1899	...	...	99

Sex.—723 males, 457 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Dunedin and suburbs, 746; Abbotsford, 6; Allanton, 2; Alexandra, 2; Burke's, 5; Burnside, 3; Berwick, 6; Broad Bay, 2; Clinton, 4; Clutha, 14; Catlin's, 15; Clyde, 2; Cromwell, 3; Green Island, 17; Greymouth, 3; Gore, 2; Lawrence, 3; Invercargill, 2; Kaitangata, 9; Kelso, 7; Milton, 14; Mosgiel, 25; Middlemarch, 6; Oamaru, 6; Port Chalmers, 26; Palmerston, 12; Peninsula, 13; Ravensbourne, 10; Seacliff, 6; Tapanui, 5; Taieri, 20; Timaru, 6; Waikouaiti, 6; Warepa, 3; Waihola, 5; others, 164.

Country.—New Zealand, 523; England, 205; Ireland, 142; Scotland, 184; Victoria, 20; Tasmania, 11; China, 26; United States, 7; Norway, 7; New South Wales, 4; Sweden, 4; Germany, 3; Denmark, 4; Finland, 3; Shetland, 3; Orkney, 2; France, 2; Jersey, 2; India, 2; born at sea, 5; Italy, 1; Isle of Skye, 1; Guernsey, 1; Portugal, 1; others, 17.

Religion.—Presbyterian, 426; Church of England, 345; Roman Catholic, 216; Confucian, 25; Baptist, 35; Wesleyan, 42; Salvationist, 12; Methodist, 12; Church Brethren, 12; Lutheran, 10; Congregationalist, 9; Church of Christ, 9; Jewish, 6; Christadelphian, 1; Spiritualist, 1; Farly-Hallite, 1; Bible Christian, 1; Primitive Methodist, 1; others, 16.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 34,182; individual average days' stay, 28.96. Daily average cost per head, 4s. 4½d.; less patients' payments, 3s. 7½d.

Outdoor Patients.—Individual cases, 1,790; attendances, 5,556.