

DETAILS OF ESTIMATES FOR THE

MENTAL HOSPITALS DEPARTMENT—*continued.*

Number of Persons.		1943-44.	1942-43.	
1943 44	1942 43		Voted.	Expended.
			£	£
VOTE—MENTAL HOSPITALS— <i>continued.</i>				
OTHER CHARGES FOR AND INCIDENTAL TO—				
		£	£	£
Advertising, photographs, books, newspapers, and other publications		250	300	247
Bacteriological research		275	275	267
Bedding and clothing		48,000	45,000	46,475
Buildings, improvements, repairs, and replacements		4,000	5,000	4,609
Compensation for loss of patient's property in Seacliff fire		500		
Compensation under Workers' Compensation Act		(a) 2,700	500	540
Contributions to National Provident Fund for nurses		130	106	81
Dental services		125	150	75
Farms, maintenance of (part recoverable)		20,000	20,000	21,504
Fencing, draining, and roading		400	500	361
Fire-watching expenses		20	120	116
Freight, cartage, and transport charges		1,900	1,900	1,715
Fuel, light, power, water, and cleaning		49,000	49,000	(b) 51,356
Funerals, expenses of		750	750	(c) 1,170
Furniture and furnishings		5,000	4,000	4,193
Gardens and shrubberies, expenses of		450	450	429
Grants—				
In lieu of leave due to officers resigned or transferred to other Departments		20	20	
To Auckland Hospital Auxiliary		25	25	
To widows or relatives of deceased officers		400	400	375
Laundry		3,500	2,700	3,837
Legal and inquiry costs		20	20	53
Machinery, repairs, and stores		1,300	1,300	1,368
Medical fees for certificates and consultations		2,800	2,800	2,620
Motor-vehicles—				
Maintenance of		800	1,000	742
Purchase of		600	300	556
Nursing staff: Uniforms, purchase of		3,000	2,600	2,754
Office equipment		200	25	217
Overtime and meal-allowances		(d) 44,500	20,000	(d) 34,606
Patients, expenses connected with—				
Gratuities		300	300	200
"Patients' Friends"		50	50	50
Recreation		7,000	7,000	6,836
Transfer		800	1,900	1,512
Postage, telegrams, and rent of boxes		1,100	1,200	1,105
Printing and stationery		1,100	1,300	(e) 942
Rations		107,243	116,539	(f) 113,092
Refund of maintenance-money overpaid		25	25	18
Rents and rates		(g) 3,500	1,200	(g) 1,933
Stores		(f) 7,000	7,500	(f) 6,208
Surgery and dispensary—				
Drugs and instruments		4,000	4,000	3,459
Wine, spirits, ale, and porter		20	20	
Telephone services (including installation, extensions, maintenance, rent, and calls)		1,200	1,000	1,182
Transfer and removal expenses		1,000	700	956
Travelling allowances and expenses		1,600	1,600	(h) 1,973
Treatment and maintenance in general hospitals—				
Patients		100	150	65
Staff		20	25	6
Contingencies (including unforeseen expenditure incidental to the other items of the vote)		50	50	(i) 76

(a) Increased expenditure will occur this year. One case alone not yet finalized will probably be for a substantial sum.

(b) Increased expenditure has arisen in consequence of the taking over of Wairakei and The Chateau.

(c) A considerable amount of the increased expenditure has occurred as a result of the disastrous fire at Seacliff.

(d) Increase due to shortage of staff necessitating increased overtime.

(e) Decreased expenditure due to strict economy in printing and the use of paper.

(f) Decreased expenditure arises through lack of overseas supplies.

(g) Increase in payments due to taking over of Wairakei and The Chateau.

(h) Number of officers, 77. Travelling-expenses, £801 18s. 4d.; travelling-allowances, £565 3s. 4d.; motor allowances, £515 16s. 4d.; motor hire, £90 6s. 10d.

(i) Fees for post-mortems, £13 14s. 1d.; denture and spectacle repairs, £29 5s. 6d.; garaging car of officer who died on transfer, £3 15s.; costs connected with replacement of patient, £1 8s. 4d.; breakages of officers' effects while on transfer, £13 16s. 6d.; safe-deposit fee and telephone calls, £1 6s.; purchase of E.P.S. equipment, £6 15s.; refund travelling-expenses of new appointments, £5 10s.; total, £75 10s. 5d.