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A CONTRIBUTION TO THE EPIDEMIOLOGY OF POLIOMYELITIS IN NEW ZEALAND

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FOREWORD

The investigation described in this paper was undertaken in Auckland during the summer of 1947-48. The field-work was carried out by the writer in conjunction with Dr. G. A. de Lautour, Medical Officer of Health, and Miss D. F. Gatenby, Nurse Inspector; assistance was also given by Drs. Houghton, Miller, and Parr, of the staff of the Auckland Health District. My best thanks are due to all for their ready co-operation and hard work, and for their carefully kept records, which greatly facilitated the task of analysis.

In consideration for the reader, most of the tables have been relegated to the Appendix, and full use has been made of graphic methods of presentation of data.

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Note.—Unless otherwise stated, all cases of illness are referred to in this paper by date of onset, not of notification.

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