

PALMERSTON NORTH HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1903	...	...	...	18
Admitted during year	...	...	...	302
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Total under treatment	...	...	...	320
Discharged	...	...	...	266
Died	...	...	...	26
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Remaining on 31st March, 1904	...	...	...	28

Sex.—232 males, 88 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Palmerston North, 263; Wanganui, 16; Napier, 4; Wellington, 18; Hawera, 2; Auckland, 1; New Plymouth, 3; Christchurch, 3; Waipukurau, 3; Carterton, 1; Blenheim, 1; Masterton, 3; Invercargill, 1; Dunedin, 1.

Nationality.—English, 77; Scotch, 24; Irish, 35; New Zealand, 141; Australian, 11; Tasmanian, 7; German, 6; Canadian, 1; Danish, 8; Norwegian, 3; Swedish, 1; Italian, 2; Mexican, 1; Madeiran, 1; Chinese, 2.

Religion.—Church of England, 160; Roman Catholic, 60; Presbyterian, 34; Wesleyan, 29; Primitive Methodist, 3; Lutheran, 14; Salvation Army, 5; Baptist, 3; Plymouth Brethren, 6; Congregationalist, 1; Jewish, 1; Confucian, 2; undenominational, 2.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 8,269; individual average days' stay, 25·84. Daily average cost per head, 5s. 5½d.; less patients' payments, 4s. 5½d.

Outdoor Patients.—No record.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

<i>Receipts.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>	£	s.	d.
From Government	900	0	0	Rations	409	8	0
Local bodies	786	7	0	Wines, spirits, ale, &c.	9	0	0
Subscriptions and donations	86	6	8	Surgery and dispensary	183	12	8
Patients' payments	413	3	10	Fuel and light	207	19	2
Other sources	7	4	6	Bedding and clothing	43	16	5
Balance from last year	319	0	3	Furniture and earthenware	111	6	1
				Washing and laundry	42	9	4
				Salaries and wages	954	1	6
				Funerals	14	5	0
				Repairs	21	1	6
				Additions	255	10	7
				Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery	37	2	1
				Interest	1	11	0
				Insurance	45	3	9
				Other expenses	181	12	6
Total	£2,512	2	3	Total	£2,517	19	7

Visited 10th and 22nd June.—For the last twelve months this Hospital has been full and at times overfull. The verandah at the end of the ward is a great improvement, also the asphaltting of the drying-ground. Miss Dougherty and her nurses make the patients very comfortable and the food is excellent.

PATEA HOSPITAL.

Number of patients on 31st March, 1903	...	...	...	2
Admitted during the year	...	...	...	59
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Total under treatment	...	...	...	61
Discharged	...	...	...	56
Died	...	...	...	3
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Remaining on 31st March, 1904	...	...	...	2

Sex.—51 males, 10 females.

Localities from which Patients came.—Waitotara to Stratford.

Nationality.—English, 13; Scotch, 3; Irish, 5; New Zealand, 34; Australian, 1; Swedish, 1; Hungarian, 1; Indian, 1; Welsh, 1; Newfoundlander, 1.

Total collective days' stay in Hospital, 993; individual average days' stay, 16·28. Daily average cost per head, 11s. 2¼d.; less patients' payments, 9s. 8¼d.