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From information taken from the Magistrate's orders it is found that the religious denominations in which the children who were admitted are to be brought up are Church of England, 129; Roman Catholic, 86; Presbyterian, 28; Methodist, 26; Church of Christ, 4; Baptist, 3; Congregational, 1; Jewish, 1; and 1 to be brought up as a Protestant.

TABLE J2 .- Admissions, classified according to Parents' Circumstances and Character, 1905.

				Precedent Condition of Children admitted in 1905.								
Fathers, described as		Mothers, described as		D estitute.	Under Section 7 of "Children's Protec- tion Act, 1899."	Vagrant.	Associating with Dis- reputable Persons.	Uncontrollable.	Accused or Guilty of Punishable Offences.	By Arrangement,	Total.	
Dead "	'	::	Dead Good Questionable	••	2 7		1 3	 i	3	1 9	••	4 22 1
"	••	••	Bad	• •	i		::	6		2		9
Physically	unfit	• •	Deserter Dead	• •	1		::			1 1	•••	1 2
Good "		• •	Bad Dead	• •	7		2	1	::	4	· · ·	1 13
,,	••	••	Physically unfit Mentally unfit	• •	1 7	••	4					1 13
"	••	••	Good		13		7		8	27	3	58
"	••	••	Questionable Bad		5 4	••	3	6 7		i		14 15
Questionable		Deserter Dead	• •	i		••	7	••	1 1		2 9	
"	••	••	Mentally unfit	••	iò		·i	••	1	6		1 17
"		• •	Questionable Bad	• •	8	 1	•••	2 7		1		11 8
"	••	• • •	Unknown	• •		•••	ï				•••	1
Bad "	••	• •	Dead Good	• •	::		4	1	::	2	• • •	1 6
"	••	• •	Questionable Bad	••	4 1		::	5		::		9 2
Deserter	••	• •	Good Questionable	• •	3		1 1			••		4
"	••	• •	Deserter	• •	3			•••			::	5 3
Unknown	• •	• •	Dead Mentally unfit	• •	3 2		••	• • •				3 2
,,	• •	• •	Good Questionable	• •	15 9	•••	1	·. 1	1	2		19 10
"			Bad Unknown	•	3 5	••		3		··	• • •	6
"	••	••	Totals	••	119	1	32	49	13	62	3	279

During the year the urgent need for removing the resident boys of the Caversham Industrial School from the very old and even insanitary buildings that they were occupying near Dunedin caused the Government to decide to enter into occupation of the Boys' Training Farm, Weraroa, in the Wellington District, although it was recognised that for a time the accommodation would be The boys arrived from Caversham at their new home on the 2nd very limited. November, and already there is evidence that they will quickly settle down to the new conditions, which undoubtedly will be in almost every way a distinct advance upon those prevailing at Caversham. The scheme for the buildings provides for a large central administrative block, with dormitories for about sixty boys attached, four or five cottages, each capable of accommodating twelve or fourteen boys, the manager's residence, office, laundry, workshops, engine-house, dairy, stables, and other farm buildings. In planning the buildings and works the predominant idea has been that the principal functions of such an industrial school are to give the boys a good moral training, together with a sound public-school education; to teach various branches of farm-work and agriculture, dairying, fruit-growing, and gardening; to give them a good general knowledge of such trades as carpentry and blacksmithing; and to provide other suitable occupations for those incapable of heavy work; in short, to prepare the boys for the stations in life and the occupations that they are individually best fitted for. The return for the expenditure is seen when many colonists, who would otherwise have been