

RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ended 31st March, 1908.

<i>Receipts.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>	£	s.	d.
Balance from last year ...	197	9	5	Rations ...	394	1	3
From Government ...	614	11	4	Wines, spirits, ale, and porter ...	9	12	6
Local bodies ...	434	2	6	Surgery and dispensary ...	148	0	3
Subscriptions and donations ...	115	0	6	Fuel and light ...	104	0	6
Rents ...	2	10	0	Bedding and clothing ...	53	17	9
Patients' payments ...	398	10	8	Furniture and earthenware ...	8	12	9
Sale of pigs ...	13	19	1	Washing and laundry ...	17	18	7
Refund Account ...	1	15	9	Salaries and wages ...	768	18	8
				Water-supply ...	5	2	2
				Funerals ...	15	10	0
				Repairs ...	73	16	0
				Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery ...	16	12	3
				Insurance ...	10	16	8
				Medical assistance ...	48	6	0
				Travelling-expenses ...	15	14	0
				Fencing, &c. ...	19	5	11
				Incidental expenses ...	22	9	10
Total ...	£1,777	19	3	Total ...	£1,732	15	1

Visited 14th June, 1907, and 28th February, 1908.—There were eleven patients under treatment. This little Hospital is very substantially built, and is, moreover, compact and easy to work. The northernmost ward rather keeps the sun from the other parts of the building. The lavatories and bathrooms are good, but the walls need repainting, which is to be done when the outside walls, which have recently been done, are dry. There is a good dispensary, and a fair theatre for so small a hospital. The latter is provided with a temporary table. The laundry is fair, and the ironing-room in a separate building. The fever cottage is now empty. The two Government probationers at the Hospital are giving every satisfaction.

23. ASHBURTON HOSPITAL.

Governing body: Ashburton Hospital Board.

Stipendiary medical staff: Dr. Hunter.

Nursing staff: Matron, Miss Griffiths; 1 registered nurse and 4 probationers.

Domestic staff: 1 cook, 1 housemaid, 1 laundress, 1 porter, 1 gardener.

Number of beds available for males, 24; for females, 13: total, 37.

Number of patients under treatment during year: In-patients—male 168, female 49—total 217; out-patients, nil.

In-patients: Average days' stay, 30; average daily cost per head, 5s. 8d. (cost after deducting patients' payments, 4s. 7d.).

Percentage of cost of administration on maintenance expenditure, 39·03.

Localities from which patients came: Ashburton, 209; Christchurch, 4; Timaru, 1; Oamaru, 1; Southland, 1; Palmerston North, 1.

Nationality of patients: English, 40; Scotch, 24; Irish, 55; Welsh, 2; New-Zealanders, 79; Australian, 7; German, 2; American, 1; Canadian, 2; Swedish, 2; Swiss, 1; Danish, 1; Austrian, 1.

Religion: Church of England, 76; Presbyterian, 68; Roman Catholic, 45; Methodist, 7; Baptist, 6; Wesleyan, 6; Church of Christ, 4; Lutheran, 3; Adventist, 1; Salvation Army, 1.

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Balance from last year ...	221	10	9	Rations ...	356	12	9
From Government ...	852	3	7	Wines, spirits, ale, and porter ...	8	16	0
Local bodies ...	840	0	0	Surgery and dispensary ...	122	3	0
Subscriptions and donations ...	10	3	0	Fuel and light ...	175	14	7
Patients' payments ...	365	18	4	Bedding and clothing ...	94	7	11
Other sources (principal items—				Furniture and earthenware ...	72	0	2
Fees, inquests, Government, £2;				Salaries and wages ...	714	17	8
sale of old timber, £9; em-				Funerals ...	15	14	0
ployees' compensation, £14 5s.				Repairs ...	71	10	4
6d.) ...	28	5	8	New buildings ...	435	0	6
				Printing, advertising, postage, and stationery ...	12	18	5
				Interest ...	0	11	0
				Insurance ...	9	13	9
				Commission ...	38	11	0
				Other expenses (principal items—			
				Improvements, site, &c., £103			
				9s. 7d.; travelling-expenses, £6			
				8s. 9d.) ...	171	17	4
Total ...	£2,318	1	4	Total ...	£2,300	8	5