Palmerston North:

That the Health Act should be so amended as to define who is responsible for the burial in cases of death where there is not sufficient money and no relations.

North Canterbury:

Differentiation of relief with regard to widows and children.

In regard to section 85 of the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1909, re the maintenance of children in an industrial school, that the same be amended to provide that Boards may have more authority in regard to the committal of such children by receiving notice of intention to bring such children before the Court, so that evidence may be adduced, if possible, of ability of "near relatives." as defined in the Destitute Persons Act, 1910, to contribute towards the cost of maintenance of such children.

That the powers of Hospital and Charitable Aid Boards be enlarged so as to enable them (on a certificate being granted by a Magistrate) to reclaim and educate children living in the midst of evil environments.

North Canterbury:

The relations of Boards to children committed under the Industrial Schools Act.

Ashburton .

The Old-age Pensions Act requires amendment. As it stands now, if a pensioner is convicted a second time (within a certain period) for drunkenness, &c., the Magistrate has no option but to cancel his pension-certificate for a term of six months, equal to a fine of £13. Then the Charitable Aid Board has to keep him. The pension-certificate in such case should be made over by the Magistrate to the Hospital Board in whose district the pensioner resides, and the pension paid out at the discretion of the Board in rations, clothing, &c., as needed from time to time during the term of cancellation.

Hawke's Bay:

That some uniform scale of refunds to old-age pensioners who are inmates of institutions be adopted by all bodies interested.

SECTION V .- GENERAL.

REMITS.

Hospital Districts.

Hawke's Bay:

That endeavours be made to have section 3, subsection (2), Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1909, amended as follows: After the word "county" in the third line of the subsection the word "may" be inserted in place of "shall"; and after the terminal word "district" the following be added: "or of the adjoining hospital district." The subsection will then read: "When at any time after the passing of this Act a new country is created the limits whereof are wholly within one hospital district, the new county may be included within and form part of that hospital district or of the adjoining hospital district.'

Representation .- Nomination instead of Election.

Palmerston North:

That sections 13, 14, 15, and 16 of the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1909, and section 7 of the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act 1909 Amendment Act, 1910, be repealed, and that the Act be altered so that representatives shall be appointed by the contributing local authorities.

Maniototo:

That this Board remits to proposed Conference resolution to consider the question of the advisability of selection of members elected by the contributing local bodies, and that the Act be amended in this direction.

Quorum.

That subsection (4) of section 31 of the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1909, wherein is provided that "A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Board for the time being," be amended to read as follows: "A quorum shall consist of half the whole number of members of the Board for the time being when that number is even, and the majority of the whole of the members when such number is odd."

Disqualification of Members.

Palmerston North:

That all the words after "Board," in clause (e) of subsection (2), section 19, of the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act of 1909 be repealed.

Payment of Chairman.

That the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1909, be further amended by the addition Otago: of a clause in the following terms: "Notwithstanding anything contained in sections 19 and 20 of the principal Act, the Chairman may be paid such annual allowance, at a rate not exceeding two hundred pounds (£200), as the Board from time to time determines."

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