

There were 11 patients : of these 7 were cases of enteric.

The Hospital was crowded, there being only six beds. Considerable use is made of the wide verandas.

Of the cases, none were fit to send to the Hamilton Hospital. A great many cases had been sent away. The Hospital undoubtedly needs enlargement.

Waikato Old Men's Home.

Medical staff ; Same as Waikato Hospital.

Master : L. Holmex.

Matron : B. Holmex.

Locality from whence patients came : Waikato Hospital District.

Rotorua Cottage Hospital.

Medical Staff, stipendiary : A. S. Wohlmann, M.R.C.S., M.D.

Matron : M. Pownall, R.N.

This Cottage Hospital is attached to and is under the same Medical Superintendent and Matron as the Government Sanatorium at Rotorua.

Visited on 4th February, 1914.

There were 11 patients in, 2 women and a child on the veranda on the female side.

It is suggested that additional accommodation could be obtained by building a wide veranda on the north-eastern side of the male ward, partially enclosed. There would be room for four beds.

There has been an average number of 14 patients for some months. There had been 172 cases in since the institution was opened.

The Hospital was in very good order, though in parts the paint-work is not very satisfactory. The equipment seems to be quite sufficient for the needs.

WAIAPU HOSPITAL AND CHARITABLE AID BOARD.

Usual date of meeting : Fourth Monday in month.

Chairman : A. B. Williams.

Secretary : A. L. Temple.

Public Health Inspector : J. P. Terry, Waipiro Bay.

District Nurse : V. Macdonald, R.M.

District Native Nurse : Nurse Walker, R.N.

Institutions under Board's control : Te Araroa Nursing Home. (Nurse Winfield now in charge.)

Waiapu Hospital.

Medical staff, stipendiary : C. S. Davis, M.D., D.P.H., M.R.C.S. (Eng.).

Matron : A. B. Allan, R.N.

Localities from whence patients came : Waiapu and Cook.

Not visited since last report.

There have been no additions to this Hospital, and no changes in the staff. Dr. Davis returned to Waiapu Bay after absence in England and resumed charge of the Hospital.

The maternity ward, for which plans were made in 1911, has not yet been erected, the maternity work being carried out by the district nurse resident at the Hospital.

The Board has also been given the services of two nurses for Natives in their large and scattered district, and have co-operated with the Department in this branch of work in a very helpful manner.

COOK HOSPITAL AND CHARITABLE AID BOARD.

Usual date of meeting : Third Friday.

Chairman : Hon. Capt. Tucker.

Secretary : H. M. Porter.

Public Health Inspector : F. O. York, Gisborne.

District Nurse : Nurse Greenslade, R.M., Matawai.

Native District Nurse : Nurse Cormack, R.N., R.M., Te Karaka.

Institutions under Board's control : Cook Hospital and Old People's Home.

Cook Hospital.

Medical staff, honorary : W. Reeve, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. ; C. F. Scott, M.B., M.S. (Glasgow) ; J. W. Williams, M.D., M.S. (Edin.) : anæsthetists—A. L. Singer, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. ; W. P. Porter M.B., M.S. (Glas.) ; James Reid, M.A., M.B., Ch.B. ; R. We Repa, M.B., Bach. Surg.

Matron : E. F. Godfray, R.N.

Localities from which patients came : Gisborne Borough, Cook and Waikohu Counties.

Visited on 20th April.

There were 54 patients in.

The new Hospital will not be ready before it is needed, for, despite the efforts of the staff, it is impossible to keep the old building in a proper state of cleanliness.

There were only three cases of typhoid under treatment.

There is no doubt that when the new hospital is available there will be a greater demand on the part of the public for hospital accommodation, a larger proportion of the public being treated in the private hospitals in this town than in any other town of its size in the Dominion.

During my visit I met the Hospital Board and discussed hospital management with the members at some length.