

Old People's Home, Gisborne.

Master : R. C. Vigis.

Matron : Mrs. R. Vigis.

Localities from which patients came : County, 18 ; borough, 7 ; town, 5.

HAWKE'S BAY HOSPITAL AND CHARITABLE AID BOARD.

Usual date of meeting : Second Monday in month.

Chairman : W. Shrimpton.

Secretary : James Scheele.

Public Health Inspector : F. B. Gardiner, Napier.

Institutions under Board's control : Napier Hospital, Old People's Home, Park Island.

Napier Hospital.

Medical staff, honorary : H. F. Bernau, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. ; J. J. Edgar, M.D., C.M. ; J. P. D. Leahy, M.B., Mast. Surg. ; H. M. Wilson, B.A., M.B., Ch.B.

Medical staff, stipendiary : Thos. Gilray, M.B., Ch.B. (N.Z.), F.R.C.S. (Edin.) ; Eric Faris, M.B., Ch.B. (N.Z.).

Matron : Rose Macdonald, R.N.

Localities from whence patients came : Napier, 433 ; Hastings, 236 ; Hawke's Bay County, 245 ; Napier South Town District, 29 ; Taradale Town District, 15 ; Havelock North Town District, 14 ; Park Island, 41 ; outside districts, 41 ; shipping, 10.

Visited on 7th March, 1914.

There were 95 patients. There have been as many as 112 patients in this Hospital. The ward now being built will relieve pressure. It should be ready in May or June.

The new women's surgical ward is very convenient.

An extravagance in fittings has been a huge sink, costing £50. It is quite unnecessary and very cumbersome, and difficult to keep clean.

The graduated electric lights work well, and are a great convenience, but the Manchester stoves smoke.

The linen-rooms and patients' clothes-presses are very convenient, and good provision has been made for brooms and buckets. The laundry has been completed since last visited, and is a very well equipped part of the institution, with a drying-ground on the roof and a lift to bring the clothes up.

The Hospital and grounds were in good order.

The Board contemplates the erection of an administrative block, and the erection of other new wards at an early date. It is certain that the old wards are not satisfactory, especially the sanitary arrangements, which are very bad.

Old People's Home, Park Island.

Medical staff, stipendiary : Thos. Gilray, M.B., Ch.B. (N.Z.), F.R.C.S. (Edin.).

Master : W. H. Hichens.

Matron : Mrs. A. Hichens.

Localities from whence patients came : Napier, 37 ; Hastings, 18 ; Hawke's Bay County, 29 ; Taradale, 4 ; Waipawa, 27 ; Waipukurau, 13 ; Dannevirke, 17 ; Woodville, 4 ; Weber, 3 ; Wairoa, 6 ; Patangata, 4 ; other districts, 2.

Visited on 7th March, 1914.

There were 90 inmates, 72 men and 8 women.

The institution was in excellent order, and the inmates generally content and well.

WAIROA HOSPITAL AND CHARITABLE AID BOARD.

Usual date of meeting : Saturday following second Friday in each month.

Chairman : John Hunter Brown.

Secretary : William Taylor.

Public Health Inspector : William Taylor, Wairoa.

Institutions under Board's control : Wairoa County Hospital.

Wairoa Hospital.

Medical staff, stipendiary : John Miller, L.R.C.S. (E.), L.R.C.P. (E.).

Matron : Louisa Higginson, R.N.

Localities from whence patients came : Wairoa County, 92 ; Wairoa Borough, 84 ; Cook County, 3 ; Hawke's Bay County, 6 ; Wellington, 1.

Visited on 25th April in company with the Chairman and Secretary.

Additional accommodation for the nurses and also for infectious cases is badly needed, especially the former, and the Board proposes to put the work in hand as soon as possible. It is also proposed to acquire additional land in the neighbourhood of the Hospital.

WAIPAWA HOSPITAL AND CHARITABLE AID BOARD.

Usual date of meeting : Second Thursday in month.

Chairman : George E. Bickford.

Secretary : G. B. Ashley.

Public Health Inspector : Fred. B. Gardiner, Napier.

Institutions under Board's control : Waipawa District Hospital, Waipukurau ; Dannevirke District Hospital, Dannevirke.