

Waimate Hospital.

Medical staff, stipendiary : H. C. Barclay, M.D., F.R.C.S. (Edin.).

Matron : Mabel Mander, R.N.

Localities from whence patients came : Waimate County, 105 ; Waimate Borough, 76.

Visited on 6th April, 1914.

There were 19 patients. During the last twelve months there had been 175 patients. No patients in shelters or fever wards.

The whole place had been newly painted, the grounds were in excellent order, and altogether the place was very well kept.

Good use is made of the land, as all vegetables are grown, cows are kept, and fowls and pigs, which are sold at a good profit. A field is rented in which crops are grown to feed the cows.

Talbot Infectious-diseases Hospital.

Medical staff, stipendiary : A. B. Lindsay, M.B., Ch.B.

Nursing staff : Nurses are supplied from Timaru Hospital as required.

Locality from whence patients came : South Canterbury Hospital District.

There were 5 cases—3 scarlet fever and 2 diphtheria.

Old Men's Home, Timaru.

Matron : Grace Young.

Master : James Young.

Locality from whence patients came : South Canterbury District.

Visited on 7th April, 1914.

The new Home is now occupied. There were 21 men and 3 women.

The place is comfortable and convenient, but the work has been very badly carried out, and is very rough. The rough brick walls inside will not be easily kept clean, the plaster is cracking in many places and the woodwork splitting.

WAITAKI HOSPITAL AND CHARITABLE AID BOARD.

Usual date of meeting : First Tuesday each month.

Chairman : H. A. Dovey.

Secretary : Walter Gibb.

Public Health Inspector : K. Cameron, Dunedin.

Institution under the Board's control : Victoria Home.

Old People's Home, Oamaru.

Medical staff, stipendiary : J. M. Scott, M.B., Ch.B. (Edin.)

Matron : Margaret Dormer.

Localities from whence patients came : Waitaki County, 42 ; Oamaru, 20 ; South Canterbury, 5 ; Otago, 2 ; North Canterbury, 1 ; no permanent address, 4.

Visited on 6th April, 1914.

There were 24 men and 9 women.

A new lavatory has been added for the male inmates.

The place was, as usual, clean and neat, and Miss Dormer manages the old men well.

VINCENT HOSPITAL AND CHARITABLE AID BOARD.

Chairman : John Smith.

Secretary : J. S. Dickie.

Public Health Inspector : K. Cameron, Dunedin.

Institutions under Board's control : Cromwell District Hospital, Dunstan District Hospital, and Ophir Cottage Hospital.

Cromwell Hospital.

Medical staff, honorary : J. G. Hyde, M.B., L.R.C.S.

Medical staff, stipendiary : George A. Morris, M.B., C.M.

Matron : E. McShane, R.M.

Localities from whence patients came : Kow Gorge, 1 ; Ness, 2 ; Warrington, 1 ; Albert Town, 1 ; Pembroke, 5 ; Cromwell, 16 ; Bannockburn, 10 ; other places, 29.

Visited on 30th January.

There were 3 patients in the Hospital—all males.

Some cases have been admitted to the maternity ward, but at the time of my visit it was empty.

An operating-theatre, which is much needed here, is about to be erected on the north side. Arrangements could be made for it to be erected on the south side.

The gardens and grounds here were in excellent order.

The staff consists of the Matron, two maids, and a gardener.

The grounds produce all the fruit, vegetables, and milk needed.

The institution has now an excellent water-supply.