

DEATHS IN EXEMPTED INSTITUTIONS.

These, with other particulars, are shown in the foregoing table relating to exempted institutions. The following is a statement of the deaths during the five years in which a record of the deaths has been kept:—

1911	..	..	47 deaths out of	899 infants dealt with	= 5.23 per cent.
1912	..	..	36	911	= 3.95
1913	..	..	18	984	= 1.82
1914	..	..	37	944	= 3.91
1915	..	..	11	1,026	= 1.08
1916	..	..	9	939	= 0.96
1917	..	..	15	1,136	= 1.32

ADOPTIONS DURING THE YEAR 1917.

During the year 264 orders of adoption were made. Eighteen of the adoption orders provided for premiums, and 246 were without monetary consideration.

The following shows the ages of the adopted children:—

Age.				With Premium.	Without Premium.	Total.
Under 6 months	..	..	..	7	48	55
Between 6 months and 12 months	..	..	..	4	27	31
„ 1 and 2 years	..	..	..	5	33	38
„ 2 „ 3	..	..	..	..	25	25
„ 3 „ 4	..	..	..	..	24	24
„ 4 „ 5	..	..	..	..	16	16
„ 5 „ 6	..	..	..	1	15	16
„ 6 „ 7	..	..	..	..	10	10
„ 7 „ 8	..	..	..	..	10	10
„ 8 „ 9	..	..	..	1	6	7
„ 9 „ 10	..	..	..	..	5	5
„ 10 „ 11	..	..	..	..	5	5
„ 11 „ 12	..	..	..	..	7	7
„ 12 „ 13	..	..	..	..	7	7
„ 13 „ 14	..	..	..	..	5	5
„ 14 „ 15	..	..	..	..	3	3
				18	246	264
The adopting persons were—						
Husband and wife jointly				..	..	247
Husband alone				..	..	4
Widow				..	..	4
Wife alone				..	..	6
Spinster				..	..	3
						264

The amount of the premiums ranged from £5 10s. to £100.

ILLEGITIMACY.

Provincial Districts.							Illegitimate Births registered during 1917.	Number of Illegitimate Children aged Twelve Months or less brought under the Act during 1917.
Auckland	..	..	..	..	..	..	359	40
Taranaki	..	..	..	..	..	..	45	
Hawke's Bay	..	..	..	..	..	..	58	64
Wellington	..	..	..	..	..	..	322	
Marlborough	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	3
Nelson	..	..	..	..	..	..	30	
Westland	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	52
Canterbury	..	..	..	..	..	..	161	
Otago	..	..	..	..	..	..	163	48
Totals for 1917							1,158	207
Totals for 1916							1,146	217

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