1920. NEW ZEALAND.

PRISONS DEPARTMENT.

PRISONS BOARD

(ANNUAL REPORT OF) FOR 1919.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

Members of Board: Hon. Sir Robert Stout, K.C.M.G. (President); Sir George Fenwick, Kt.; Edwin Hall, Esq.; Frank Hay, Esq., M.B.; C. B. Jordan, Esq.; Charles E. Matthews, Esq.; William Reece, Esq.

SIR,

Wellington, 29th July, 1920.

I have the honour to forward herewith the report of the Prisons Board for the year 1919.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister of Justice, Wellington.

ROBERT STOUT, President.

REPORT OF THE PRISONS BOARD FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1919.

The Board has to report that during the year 1919 it dealt with a total of 701 cases, at meetings held at Wellington, Kaingaroa, Waikeria, Auckland, Roto-aira, Rotorua, New Plymouth, Addington Paparua, Lyttelton, and Invercargill. The following table sets out the dates of the meetings and the number of cases considered at each:—

Table A.

			Cases considered of			Probationers for	
Date.		Place of Meeting.	Habitual Criminals and Offenders.	Persons undergoing Reformative Detention.	Hard-labour Prisoners.	Discharge from Probation.	Totals.
January	14	Roto-aira	1	3	4		8
,,	15	Auckland	37	28	21		86
,,	17	337 11	ļ į	3 8	6		44
,,	20	New Plymouth	2	3	16		21
February	6	Invercargill	1	91	1		93
,,	10	Addington	2	33	1		36
,,	10	Paparua	. 2	19	5		26
,,	11	Lyttelton	İ	1			ĩ
Apríĺ	1	Wellington		7			$\overline{7}$
\mathbf{May}	$23 \dots$,,	4	61	9	5	79
August	$22 \dots$,,,	3	67	8	5	83
November		Roto-aira	20	5			25
,,	17	Kaingaroa	, .	5	5		10
,,	18	Rotorua				6	6
,,	20	Auckland	23	2 8	22		73
,,	22	Waikeria		54	1	1	56
,,	$25 \dots$	New Plymouth	1	5	9		15
2,5	27	Wellington	1	23	7	1	32
Totals	s		97	471	115	18	701