

VOLUNTARY BOARDERS.

Year.	First Admission.			Not First Admission.			Total Admissions.			Transferred to Register of Patients.			Died.			Discharged.			Remaining on 31st December.		
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.
1912	6	17	23	0	0	0	6	17	23	1	3	4	0	0	0	4	3	7	1	11	12
1913	18	19	37	0	2	2	18	21	39	2	5	7	0	1	1	12	12	24	5	14	19
1914	17	19	36	3	2	5	20	21	41	7	5	12	1	1	2	11	15	26	6	14	20
1915	15	17	32	1	2	3	16	19	35	3	4	7	0	1	1	8	14	22	11	14	25
1916	13	23	36	5	8	13	18	31	49	4	4	8	1	2	3	14	14	28	10	15	25
1917	14	21	35	1	13	14	15	34	49	6	6	12	0	1	1	10	23	33	9	19	28
1918	23	38	61	5	11	16	28	49	77	1	4	5	2	2	4	15	30	45	19	32	51
1919	31	39	70	5	19	24	36	58	94	3	3	6	0	2	2	26	42	68	26	43	69
1920	26	38	64	16	12	28	42	50	92	3	4	7	1	2	3	33	33	66	31	54	85
1921	39	39	78	11	15	26	50	54	104	2	3	5	5	1	6	38	41	79	36	63	99
1922	47	38	85	10	16	26	57	54	111	6	5	11	4	4	8	40	48	88	43	60	103
1923	44	50	94	15	21	36	59	71	130	3	6	9	3	3	6	47	47	94	49	75	124
1924	38	44	82	16	20	36	54	64	118	4	8	12	6	3	9	39	48	87	54	80	134
1925	64	59	123	15	34	49	79	93	172	10	15	25	6	3	9	60	63	123	57	92	149
1926	71	60	131	11	29	40	82	89	171	10	11	21	7	2	9	49	71	120	73	97	170
1927	70	70	140	25	32	57	95	102	197	8	6	14	5	12	17	75	58	133	80	123	203

It will be noted that there were 197 voluntary admissions in the year under review, that 133 were discharged, and that 14 boarders, representing 3·80 per cent. of the total under care, had to be transferred to the register of patients (having shown mental disorder in degree sufficiently pronounced and sustained to render it improper for them to be continued as voluntary boarders), while the proportion of deaths on average number resident was 9·94 per cent. The column devoted to "Not First Admissions" records readmissions on a return of illness in those previously treated to recovery as voluntary boarders. The figures above are an indication of public confidence and of good work being done. The average daily number of voluntary boarders in 1927 was 171 (m. 79, f. 92).

MENTAL NURSES.

In December the usual examination was held for the registration of mental nurses, when the following passed :—

Auckland : First Grade—Elizabeth Ellen Holgate, Wilmot Jackson, Ernest Edward Potter, Elizabeth Reid ; Second Grade—Robert Randall Crawford, Beatrice May Heath, Sydney John Jones, Robert James McIntosh, Edward Matsen, Norma Violet Moeller, Alan James Morton, Henry Howard Priestly, Isolene Mary Seales, Finlay Thomson, John Tough Walker, James Arthur West.

Tokanui : Second Grade—Karl Carr, Martha Jeanette Henry, Robert Brown Kinnon, Emily McMillan, Tasma Walker.

Porirua : First Grade—Isabella Duncan Brand, Jeannie Wilson Dunsmore ; Second Grade—Ada Barker, James McBride, John Mullins, Colin Simon, Robert Souter.

Nelson : First Grade—Francis Henderson, Howard Sidney Leake, Agnes Louisa Moore ; Second Grade—Margaret Edith Mona Cussen, Hilda Isabel Ryrie, Aaron Sydney Thomas, Vera Elizabeth Wilkins, Harry Orlando Winnie.

Hokitika : First Grade—Henrietta Rubina Hoffman ; Second Grade—Mark Dent, James Arnold Doyle, Rita Annie Morris.

Christchurch : First Grade—Lillian May Sprott ; Second Grade—Maud Elizabeth Clifton, Winifred Ann Doyle, Mercia Kathleen Flanagan, James Kelly, Rita Charlotte Liggins, Margaret Macrae, Nellie Miriam Minards, Doris Isabel McLean, May Parker, John Simpson, Richard Humphreys Watkins.

Seacliff : Second Grade—Roberta Margaret Howie Brown, Annie Chisholm, Martha Hendry Cochrane, Jessie Annie Cumming, Shiela Cumming, Mary Evelyn Daniell, Florence May Dobinson, Evelyn Ethel Edwards, Mary Ogilvie Fleming, Beatrice Fanny Grey, Annie Hocking, David Milne, May Piercy, Dorothy Ranger.