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MEMBERS IN HOSPITALS.

Some of our numbers probably know from experience, that anybody who has to undergo medical treatment in a hospital, is always longing and thankful for visitors coming in for a chat and who are helping, in this way, to pass long hours and cheering up the patient. If any of our members should be unfortunate enough in becoming an inmate of any hospital in New Zealand, they should communicate with Mr. T.Peyer, 48 Moa Road, Auckland, or, Mr. Herman Schlatter, 2nd Floor, T.& G. Building, Wellington, who, in turn, will advise the members of the Swiss Benevolent Society residing in the district where the hospital is situated, and we are sure that such members who can spare the time will be gladly willing to visit them.

NEWS FROM HOME OR FROM OUR SWISS COMMUNITIES IN NEW ZEALAND.
We have asked members in earlier issues of the "HELVETIA" to send any news which they receive from Home, or from our Swiss Communities in New Zealand, and which is also of interest to others of our countrymen, to the Secretary of the Swiss Benevolent Society in Wellington for publication in the "HELVETIA". We did not receive many contributions up to now, and therefore remind members that we would be pleased to receive a better response to this request.

OVERDUE SUBSCRIPTIONS. "May we remind members that the annual subscription fee of sh.10/- was due on the 1st October last year etc. etc." This notice has appeared in nearly every issue of the "HELVETIA" and the Secretary wonders very much whether it has been read by quite a number of members whose subscriptions are still outstanding. If these members have not read this notice before, we hope that they will do it this time, and not only read it, but also hurry to the post-office and buy a postalnote and forward same to the Secretary, Mr. Herman Schlatter, 2nd Floor, T. & G. Building, Wellington. Do not send any banknotes through the mail as this is against the law. We do hope that the members concerned will make an effort this time, and if any of them should have a guilty conscience for delaying the payment of the subscription so long, a remittance of a few shillings extra for helping our Society along would certainly make them feel better, and we are sure that the Secretary has quite a lot of space in his books for entering such "donations". Again, please do not delay any longer, we should like to close the books this year without showing any overdue subscriptions.

NEW MEMBERS: We have pleasure in welcoming the following new members:

Mr. G. Dober, Ngaruawahia

Mr. E. Dickenmann, 25 Grove Road, Wellington.

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