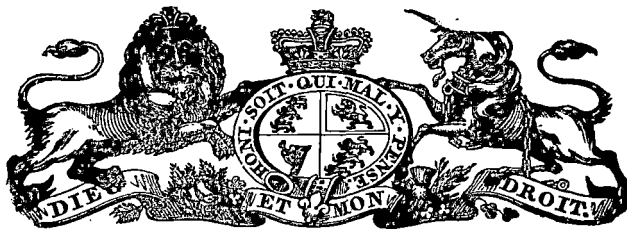


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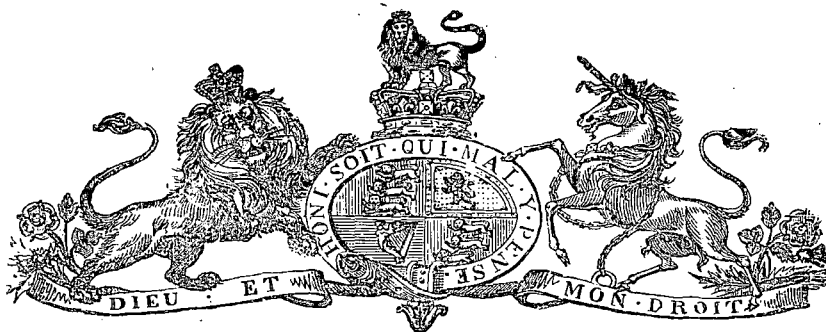
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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

TASMANIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATION:

REPORT FOR 1887-8.

Presented to both Houses of Parliament by His Excellency's Command.



ANNUAL REPORT of the TASMANIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATION for the Year 1887-88.

*To His Excellency SIR ROBERT GEORGE CROOKSHANK HAMILTON, Knight
Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor and
Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Tasmania and its
Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

1. In conformity with the provisions of "The Tasmanian Council of Education and Scholarship Act," we have the honor to submit this our Twenty-eighth Report of the proceedings of the Council, from the 1st May, 1887, to the 30th April, 1888. 22 Vict.
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tion 30.

2. The Rev. Canon Archer, M.A., was re-elected President for the year ending 30th June, 1888. President.

3. The Annual Examination of Candidates for the Council of Education Exhibitions was held in the month of June, 1887. Twenty-two Candidates, of whom four were girls, presented themselves for examination; and, on the recommendation of the Examiners, Exhibitions of the value of £20 each for four years were awarded to the under-mentioned Candidates:—Delesford Harold Charles Delmer, Christ's College, Hobart, and Church Grammar School, Launceston; Herbert Alfred Bird, High School, Launceston; James Roland Rule, Mr. Stephens' School, New Town; Wilfred Hugh Hudspeth, Hutchins' School, Hobart; and Arthur Charles Solomon, Horton College, Ross. Council of
Education
Exhibitions,
Gazette
Notice 21
June, 1887.

The Examiners, in closing their Report, observe—

In summing up the results of the Examination, we feel that we can speak of them as very satisfactory. It is true that the highest marks this year are not equal to the highest of some preceding years, but the work is far more uniform in merit than it has been for several years past. No less than 12 Candidates reached the Standard for an Exhibition, and all but one are qualified for mention in the Table. The number of qualified Candidates is greater than in any preceding year.

4. The Twenty-eighth examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts was held in June, 1887,—A. B. Weigall, Esq., M.A., Sydney Grammar School, being Examiner in English, Latin, and Greek; A. Newham, Esq., B.A., Mathematical Lecturer, Sydney University, Examiner in French, Mathematics, Natural Philosophy, Chemistry, and Geology; the Rev. T. Kelsh, Examiner in Italian; the Rev. R. D. Poulett-Harris, M.A., Examiner in German; Henry Hunter, Esq., Examiner in Drawing; and F. Buck, Esq., M.A., Hamburg, Examiner in Music. Sixteen Candidates presented themselves, three of whom were females. Twelve succeeded in obtaining the Degree—six being placed in the First Class, four in the Second Class, and two in the Third Class. Degree of
Associate of
Arts, Gazette
Notice, 22
June, 1887.

Charles Alfred Hogg, as Senior Associate of the year, received the Council's Gold Medal; he also gained First Prize for Mathematics, and Prizes for Natural Philosophy and Geology. Alice Ethel Hudspeth, as Senior Female Associate of Arts of the year, received the Council's Silver Medal, and First Prizes for English, for French, for German, and also Italian; she also gained a Prize for Music.

Prizes were also awarded to the under-mentioned Associates who were placed in the First Class, as follows:—Thomas James Stubbs, First Prize for Latin; Alfred Beighton Pitt, Second Prize for Mathematics; Horace Bertram White, Second Prize for French, and William Joshua Tilley Stops, Second Prize for Latin. In the Second Class, Arthur James Lewis Burbury was awarded a Prize for Chemistry.

In closing their Report the Examiners observe—

On the whole the statistics of this year's Examination compare not unfavourably with those of last year. For, though the highest marks obtained are lower—2959 this year as against 3316 last year—the Class List shows a higher average of general proficiency. The work has apparently been spread over a wider area, and a fairly uniform standard has been reached in all the subjects presented. While fully appreciating the value of the work that has been done by the Candidates, the Examiners have felt it their duty to emphasize those defects which appear to them to exist in the teaching of the groundwork of the several subjects. Until these defects are removed it seems hopeless to expect really satisfactory results in the higher branches. That these defects are capable of remedy is evident: that they need remedy would seem to be proved by the detailed statements in the present Report.

Tasmanian
Scholarships.
Gazette
Notice, 21
June, 1887.

5. The Examination for Tasmanian Scholarships took place in June, 1887, and was conducted by A. B. Weigall, Esq., M.A., and A. Newham, Esq., B.A. Six candidates presented themselves. The first and second places fell to Frederick Grueber Thorne (A.A. 1885) and John Thomas Wilson (A.A. 1884) respectively, and a Scholarship tenable for four years from the 1st October, 1887, was awarded to each of them. Two other candidates—viz., Gustave Heuzé Hogg (A.A., 1885) and Robert Leslie Dunbabin (A.A., 1886)—also qualified themselves for Scholarships.

Progress of
Tasmanian
Scholars.

6. With regard to the progress of Tasmanian Scholars in Great Britain, we learn, from information supplied to us by relatives of the scholars, that Mr. Walter H. Tofft graduated as M.B. and C.M. on the 1st August last at Edinburgh; subsequently he passed a successful examination for Resident Physician to the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh. Mr. James Harcourt Smith, Clare College, Cambridge, passed a College examination in March last, being third out of eight; he enters for his Tripos examination this month. Mr. Charles Frederick Hales, of Clare College, Cambridge, has passed his first part of the M.B.; he also enters for his Tripos examination this month. Mr. Ralph Stuart Stephenson passed his first professional examination at Edinburgh for the M.B. Degree in August last. Mr. William Leslie Giblin entered at the Middle Temple last October, and is reading for his Final Honour School of Jurisprudence, which he hopes to take in June next. Mr. Frederick Grueber Thorne, Corpus Christi College, Oxford, passed his first preliminary examination in December last; he has been commended at "Collections" for his steady work. Mr. Charles Seymour Dowdell, London University, has been successful in all his examinations, and goes up for his final M.B. in November next.

Mr. F. Lodge, Tasmanian Scholar of 1881, B.A. Oxford, and of the Inner Temple, has during the past year returned to Tasmania, and is now practising at the Bar in Hobart.

We regret to have to record the death of Mr. John Joseph Macnamara, Tasmanian Scholar and Gilchrist Scholar, 1883, which took place at Hobart on the 25th March last.

Minor
Scholarships.

7. The two Minor Scholarships at the disposal of the Council for the year have been awarded to Charles Alfred Hogg and Joseph Wilson, in the list of Associates of the year, they having intimated their intention to study and compete for the Tasmanian Scholarships. These Scholarships are each of the value of £40 per annum, and are tenable for two years from 1st July, 1887.

Dry Scholar-
ship.

8. The Dry Scholarship was awarded to Charles Alfred Hogg, senior Associate of the year, he having announced his intention of studying for the Tasmanian Scholarship examination.

Gilchrist
Scholarship.

9. The fourth examination for the Gilchrist Scholarship under the new conditions,—i.e., annually, and open to Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia, and Tasmania,—was held in February, 1887. Two candidates presented themselves from Tasmania, one of whom (Mr. Walter Thomas Price) gained ninth place in the Honours List. The Scholarship was carried off this year by a Victorian candidate (Mr. John Sutherland), who was placed above the first in the original Honours List.

The fifth examination began on the 30th January last, and lasted the four following days. Only one candidate presented himself, but the result of the examination has not yet been made known by the authorities.

We regret to report that a communication has been received from the Trustees of the Gilchrist Scholarship to the effect that they have decided to withdraw the Scholarships offered to Australia and Tasmania.

John Cameron
Scholarship.

10. We received intimation in June last that Mrs. John Cameron, of Heathfield, Hobart, had made provision for a fund for the purpose of establishing for about ten years, in memory of her late husband, a Scholarship of the value of £15 per annum, to be called the "John Cameron Scholarship," to be tenable for one year at either the Laun-

ceston Church Grammar School or the Hutchins' School, Hobart, by a boy who at the annual examination for the Council of Education Exhibitions becomes qualified for such an Exhibition, but fails to obtain one in consequence of there not being a sufficient number of such Exhibitions.

11. Since the publication of our last Report two Examinations for Matriculation at the Melbourne University have been held in Hobart under our supervision. At the "End of February Term," 1887, Examination, only two candidates presented themselves, neither of whom succeeded in passing. For the "October Term" Examination four presented themselves, one of whom, Mr. Charles Nash Crosby Walch, passed successfully.

Local Examination for Matriculation at Melbourne University.

12. In November last a communication was received from the Registrar of the Melbourne University to the effect that the question of the recognition of the Tasmanian Degree of Associate of Arts as equivalent to the Matriculation Examination of that University had engaged the consideration of the Council of the University, who had requested the Professorial Board to draw up a Statute giving the Council power to make such recognition.

Recognition of A.A. Degree by Melbourne University.

We learn that the matter is now under the consideration of the Senate, and will probably be dealt with at its next meeting.

13. Vacancies have been caused by the resignations of the Hon. P. O. Fysh, Henry Hunter, Esq., and H. A. Perkins, Esq., M.D., which have been filled by the election of the Hon. E. N. C. Braddon, Robert J. Beadon, Esq., M.A., and James B. Walker, Esq.

Vacancies.

14. We again beg to express our regret that nothing has yet been done by the Legislature towards altering the Constitution of the Council with the view to the establishment of a Tasmanian University.

Constitution of Council.

15. We submit a Statement of the Disbursements of the Council between the 1st January and 31st December, 1887, the termination of the financial year. The total expenditure under every head for that period is shown to have amounted to £2446 10s. 10d.

Expenditure.

G. F. ARCHER, *President*.

Hobart, 23rd May, 1888.



TASMANIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.

ABSTRACT of EXPENDITURE for the Year 1887.

ADMINISTRATION.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Secretary's Salary	100	0	0						
Books, Stationery, Printing, and Advertising	27	5	5				...	127	5 5
DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS AND TASMANIAN SCHOLARSHIPS.									
Examiners' Fees.....	160	0	0						
Gold Medal (Senior Associate)	10	0	0						
Silver Medal (Senior Female Associate)	1	0	0						
Prize Books	47	10	0						
Incidental Charges	11	14	7						
				230	4	7			
TASMANIAN SCHOLARSHIPS.									
Mr. P. L. Waterhouse (1st January to 31st May)	83	6	8						
Mr. W. H. Tofft (ditto)	83	6	8						
Mr. E. G. Allport (1st January to 31st December).....	200	0	0						
Mr. J. H. Smith (ditto).....	200	0	0						
Mr. C. F. Hales (ditto)	200	0	0						
Mr. R. S. Stephenson (ditto)	200	0	0						
Mr. E. A. Lamprill (ditto)	200	0	0						
Mr. W. L. Giblin (ditto)	200	0	0						
Mr. F. G. Thorne (1st October to 31st December).....	50	0	0						
Mr. J. T. Wilson (ditto).....	50	0	0						
				1466	13	4			
Mr. C. S. Dowdell (Special Scholarship to 31st March).....	...			50	0	0			
							1746	17	11
MINOR SCHOLARSHIPS.									
Four for whole year, and one for 3 months .....	...			...			170	0	0
COUNCIL OF EDUCATION EXHIBITIONS.									
Exhibitions .....	...			375	0	0			
Examiners' Fees .....	...			20	0	0			
Incidental Expenses .....	...			5	7	6			
							400	7	6
Contingencies—Incidental Expenses .....	...			...			2	0	0
TOTAL.....	...			...			£2446	10	10

GEORGE RICHARDSON, *Secretary*
Council of Education.

Examined and found correct.

W. LOVETT, *Colonial Auditor.*
10th May, 1888.

LIST OF TASMANIAN SCHOLARS FOR THE YEAR 1887.

No.	Date of Election.	Name.	Age.	No. of Marks.	School.	University chosen.	Scholarship tenable.	
	1887.		yrs. ms.				From	To
1	11 June	Thorne, Frederick	18 8	3332	Hutchins'	Corpus Christi, Oxford	1 Oct. 1887	30 Sep. 1891.
2	11 June	Grueber Wilson, John Thomas	18 7	3253	Ch. Grammar, Launceston	Edinburgh	1 Oct. 1887	30 Sep. 1891.

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE LIST FOR THE YEAR 1887.

First Class.

No.	Name.	Age, 1 June, 1887.	No. of Marks.	School.	Remarks.
		<i>yrs. mths.</i>			
1	Hogg, C. A.	17 2	2959	Church Grammar School, Launceston	Obtained Council's Gold Medal, Minor Scholarship, and Dry Scholarship. Obtained Silver Medal.
2	Hudspeth, Alice Ethel....	18 6	2878	Ladies' College, Hobart	
3	Stubbs, T. J.	16 10	2617	Hutchins'	
4	Pitt, A. B.	18 4	2570	Horton College	
5	White, H. B.	18 2	2416	Hutchins'	
6	Stops, W. J. T.	17 1	2395	Christ's College	

Second Class.

7	Adams, O. L.	16 9	2262	Church Grammar School, Launceston	Awarded Minor Scholarship.
8	Burbury, A. J. L.	17 9	2208	Christ's College	
9	Wilson, Joseph.	16 9	2114	Church Grammar School, Launceston	
10	Chancellor, F. G. M.	17 9	2092	Christ's College	

Third Class.

11	Cocker, D.	17 4	1653	High School, Launceston	
12	Rule, Ellen Elizabeth	17 7	1437	Ladies' College, Hobart	

LIST OF COUNCIL'S EXHIBITIONS FOR THE YEAR 1887.

No.	Name.	Date of Birth.	No. of Marks obtained.	School sent up from.	Remarks.
1	Delmer, Delesford Harold Charles	17 June, 1873	848	Christ's College, Hobart, and Church Grammar School, Launceston	State School Exhibitioner.
2	Bird, Herbert Alfred	8 June, 1873	827	High School, Launceston	
3	Rule, James Roland	19 Aug., 1873	797	Mr. A. A. Stephens's	
4	Hudspeth, Wilfred Hugh	25 June, 1874	742	Hutchins'	
5	Solomon, Arthur Charles	25 Feb., 1874	735	Horton College	

NUMBER OF STUDENTS AWARDED THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS FROM
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COUNCIL IN 1859 TO 1887, INCLUSIVE.

	First Class.	Second Class.	Third Class.	TOTAL.
Males.....	137	67	53	257
*Females.....	19	13	24	56
TOTAL.....	156	80	77	313

* Female Students were not admitted to the Degree till the year 1872.