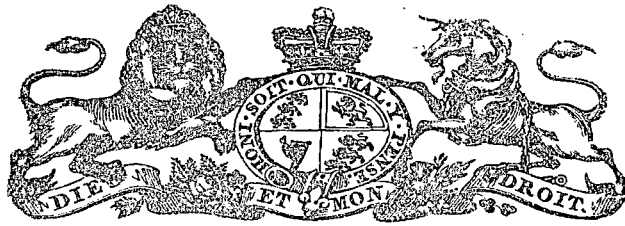


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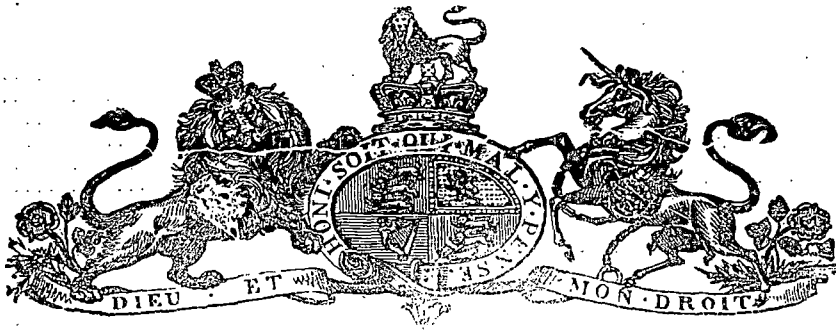
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HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

FEMALE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, HOBART:

REPORT FOR 1881.

Laid upon the Table by the Attorney-General, and ordered by the House to be printed, July 12, 1882.



HOBART INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

ANNUAL REPORT, 1881.

THE Hobart Industrial School for Girls may be considered as having passed the period of probation, and may now be regarded as permanently established on a firm foundation. Novelty gives a certain degree of zest to a new undertaking, and secures temporary aid; but the real strength of any philanthropic work is the amount of sympathy and co-operation it is able to command when the novelty has ceased.

Your Committee feel that there is great cause for encouragement in the steady manner in which the duties of the school are carried on, and in the interest shown by those ladies who supply the girls with various kinds of employment.

The Matron continues to conduct the school with ability, and takes a motherly interest in the inmates. There has been a change in the teaching department, the former teacher having resigned, as she was about to be married.

Some of the girls who have left occasionally show, in a substantial manner, the interest they feel in the Institution by sending donations to the funds. Last year Sarah Weller sent £1 for the girls' library. Another girl, Isabella Windram, has been allowed to go to Melbourne to her brother, who is gaining a comfortable livelihood, and wished to have his sister to live with him.

During the year two legacies have been received: one of £100, left by the late Philip Smith, Esq., and another of £5 from the estate of the late Mrs. Catherine Emma Harris.

The Venerable Archdeacon Davenport being about to visit England, has resigned his position as Governor; also C. Crosby, Esq., who has left the Colony. In their room, Crawford Maxwell, Esq., and the Rev. J. Mace have been elected.

The amount earned by the girls during the year is £138 14s. 4d., a considerable increase upon the earnings of the previous year.

The thanks of the Committee are due to Dr. Benjafield, who has attended the school as medical attendant gratis. He is now vaccinating the children from the calf free of charge. The health of the children throughout the year has been good.

By last report the capital amount was £1880 17s. 3d. This has been increased by interest and legacies to £2076 8s. 8d. A good investment has been made of this sum in the purchase of New Zealand Debentures, value £2200, bearing interest at 4 per cent.

Number of girls, January 1, 1881.....	34
Admitted	21
Left for service	15
To her brother	1
Remaining, 31st December	39

HARRIET SALIER, *Hon. Secretary.*

