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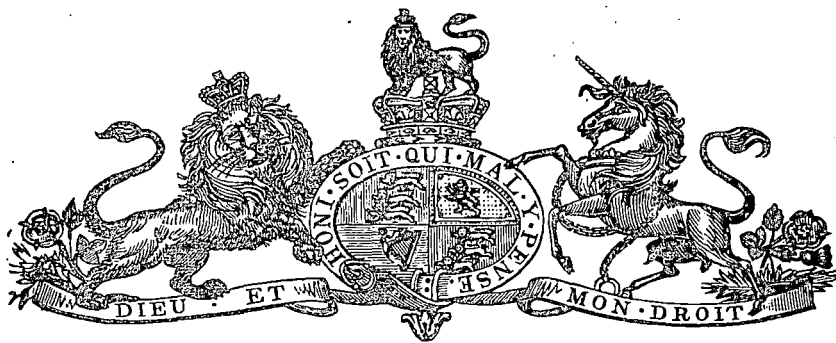
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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

LAUNCESTON INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS :

REPORT FOR **1887.**

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



LAUNCESTON INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

THE Governors and Committee are much gratified in reporting the continued and increasing success of this Institution.

During the year 7 girls have been admitted and 3 have left; number remaining on December 31st, 33. Of those who have left, two have been placed at service, and one, owing to imbecility, has been removed to the Dépôt at New Town. The reports received of the girls placed at service during previous years are, on the whole, very satisfactory. In one case, however, former bad tendencies have reappeared, and our hopes have been disappointed.

There are not many of the older girls remaining in the school, and, consequently, the burden of the work falls upon a few. The earnings of these for the year have amounted to the gratifying sum of £140 7s. The utmost good order, cleanliness, and implicit obedience prevail in the school. The annual examination and distribution of prizes took place in December, and the tests on that occasion showed that much care had been taken in their training. The result of the scripture examination was highly creditable. Prizes were awarded for scripture, general knowledge, housework, needlework, laundrywork, cooking, &c.

We are thankful to state that the health of the children has, on the whole, been very good, especially when we consider that there has been so much sickness in the town. During the smallpox scare they were all taken to the Hospital and vaccinated.

Early in the year the Matron became seriously ill, and was thus prevented, for nearly six months, from attending to her duties. We are glad to say that she has quite recovered, and since July has resumed her work. Much praise is due to her sister, upon whom rested, during the greater part of Miss Beard's illness, the whole responsibility of managing 30 children. We continue to express our entire satisfaction in the management.

Mr. Hall, dentist, has kindly undertaken to visit the school periodically, and Dr. Hallows is still giving his valuable services. Dr. Pike has also occasionally attended for Dr. Hallows, in his absence. The Rev. Canon Brownrigg has relinquished his Bible Class, consequent upon his removal from the Colony, and the Rev. Mr. Champion, with Pastor Soltau, have kindly taken his place. Mrs. Flexman still continues the Sunday afternoon Bible Class. Miss Soltau established a Knitting Class; Mrs. Pirrie continued the same; and, since these ladies have left the Colony, the class has been carried on by Miss E. Westbrook. Mrs. Oakden, a member of our Committee since its formation, who has always evinced much interest in the work, and been a liberal contributor to our funds, has found it necessary to resign. To all these ladies and gentlemen our warmest thanks are due for the help they have so cheerfully given.

It is with deep regret we record the removal by death of Mrs. Hales, wife of the Ven. Archdeacon Hales. The deceased lady had for many years been a member of the Committee, and was much interested in the prosperity of the Institution.

We offer our cordial thanks to the many friends who have shown us much kindness by presents of various kinds such as milk, fruit, vegetables, clothing, &c., also to those who have

enhanced the children's pleasure by paying the expenses of a day's outing for them by steamer, omnibus, &c.

We are still burdened with a debt of about £1500, but have some warrant for expecting that the Government will place £1000 on the estimates during the ensuing session of Parliament towards liquidating the same.

The ordinary income of the school is not sufficient to meet expenses; and we trust that Parliament will grant us a special subsidy for this purpose.

For want of necessary sleeping accommodation we are compelled to refuse many pressing cases for admission. It is therefore very important, in order that the benefits of the Institution may be more widely spread, that as soon as possible additional rooms should be provided, and also to enable the Matron the more effectively to carry out necessary discipline, by isolating girls when found to be necessary.

We again commend this Institution and its interests to the friends who have so liberally helped us in the past; and we continue to look for the Divine guidance and blessing in the further prosecution of our work.

THE LAUNCESTON INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS in account with the TREASURER.

Dr.			Cr.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
1887. To subscriptions and donations	219	18 0	1887. By Balance	94	5 0
Jan. 1 Government subsidy	282	12 6	Jan. 1 Cash paid Provisions	250	7 6
to Washing and work done by the			to Clothing.....	162	10 2
Dec. girls	140	7 0	Dec. Soap, starch, &c.	12	15 6
31. Instalments from parents	64	12 6	31. Gas.....	10	19 0
Discounts on accounts	9	19 2	Fuel	22	16 2
Balance.....	115	16 7	Furnishing	25	10 6
			Stationery, school books, &c. ...	7	8 4
			Printing and advertising	9	4 0
			Chemist.....	0	17 6
			Repairs	15	16 4
			Cartage, washing, &c.....	8	8 6
			Sundries.....	3	3 5
			Wages	15	2 0
			Salaries	109	3 6
			Rent, 12 months' interest on £1250	75	0 0
			Insurance	2	8 0
			Interest	7	10 4
	£833	5 9		£833	5 9

F. STANFIELD, *Hon. Treasurer.*
Launceston, 21st May, 1888.

Examined and found correct.
MATT. TYSON, }
F. LAKIN, } *Auditors.*

BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT.

Dr.			Cr.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
1887. To subscriptions and donations	65	15 6	1887. By Balance due Bank	204	2 5
April 11 Forfeited deposit on land.....	5	0 0	April 11 Richards & Son	11	10 0
to Balance due Bank.....	161	4 7	to Interest.....	16	7 8
April 30,			April 30,		
1888.	£232	0 1	1888.	£232	0 1

F. STANFIELD, *Hon. Treasurer.*
Launceston, 30th April, 1888.

Examined and found correct.
MATT. TYSON, }
F. LAKIN, } *Auditors.*