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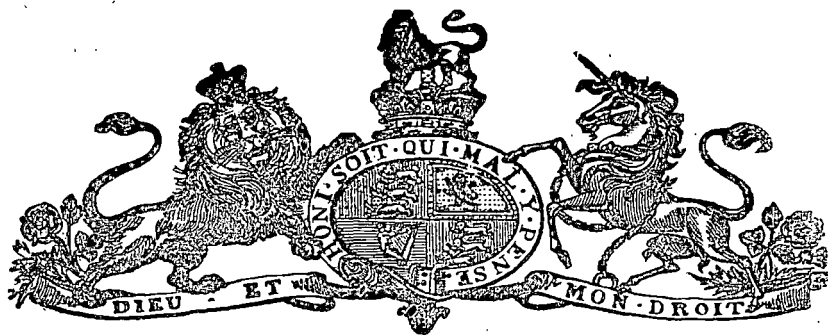
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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY :

REPORT FOR 1888.

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



TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT for the Year 1888.

Trustees:

HON. J. W. AGNEW, M.E.C. (*Chairman*).
 HON. T. C. SMART, F.R.C.S.
 C. M. MAXWELL, Esq., J.P.
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HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR (ALDERMAN
 CRISP).
 ALDERMAN HIDDLESTONE.
 ALDERMAN DILLON.

Chief Librarian and Secretary—MR. ALFRBD J. TAYLOR.

April 1st, 1889.

SIR,

THE Trustees of the Tasmanian Public Library, in compliance with Clause 7 of the Act to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Institution (34 Vict. No. 27), beg to submit the following Report of its working during the year 1888.

1. The Trustees, in presenting their Eighteenth Annual Report, have to record that during the period under review 28,755* visits have been made to the Institution.

2. During the year 200 volumes have been added by purchase and presentation.

3. The Trustees hope to be in a position shortly to carry out a suggestion made by the Librarian, by which it will be possible to classify the various works on the shelves of the book-room. In the meantime a dictionary catalogue is being prepared for the use of visitors to the Institution.

4. The Trustees have to acknowledge with thanks presentations received from the Governments of the various colonies and from kindred institutions in England, New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, and New Zealand.

5. The City Council has voted a sum of £464 7s. for Library purposes for the year 1889, the estimated Expenditure being as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries—Librarian	178	7	0			
Assistant	75	0	0			
Hallkeeper, cleansing Library	20	0	0			
				273	7	0
Lighting				35	0	0
Fuel				9	10	0
Newspapers, Periodicals, and Purchase of Books ...				100	0	0
Binding				20	0	0
Stationery.....				4	0	0
Postage.....				1	0	0
Printing				5	0	0
Freight				5	0	0
Sundries				7	0	0
Insurance				4	10	0
TOTAL				£464	7	0

To be provided for by contribution from Trustees (£75) and appropriation of Municipal Funds.

* These numbers are approximate.

6. In addition to the valuable collection of works of reference and general literature on the shelves, the following Reviews and Magazines are to be found upon the Reading Room tables:—

REVIEWS.

Quarterly.
Edinburgh.
Westminster.
Contemporary.
Nineteenth Century.
London Quarterly.
Revue des Deux Mondes.

Dublin Review.
British Quarterly.
Fortnightly.
*Englishwoman's Review.
Theological Review.
Universal Review.

MAGAZINES.

Popular Science Monthly.
Knowledge.
Macmillan's.
Blackwood's.
Cornhill.
Temple Bar.
Chambers's Journal.
Athenæum.
Art Journal.
Century.
All the Year Round.
Longman's.
Murray's Magazine.
Notes and Queries.

English Illustrated Magazine.
Iron.
Builder.
Scientific American and Supplement.
American Agriculturist.
Health.
Australian Journal.
*Catholic Standard.
*Church News.
*Presbyterian Magazine.
*Alliance News.
English Mechanic.
Centennial Magazine.
Nature.

NEWSPAPERS.

Times.
Weekly Scotsman.
Public Opinion.
Spectator.
Saturday Review.
Pall Mall Budget.
St. James's Budget.
Home News.
Land and Water.
Illustrated London News.
Graphic.
Punch.
Sydney Morning Herald.
Sydney Mail.
*South Australian Advertiser.
Queenslander.
*Dundaberg and Mount Perry Mail.
*Otago Daily Times.
Illustrated Sydney News.
*Bendigo Independent.

Melbourne Argus.
— Age.
Australasian.
Weekly Times.
*Auckland Weekly News.
Sketcher.
*Lyttelton Times.
Hobart Mercury.
Tasmanian Mail.
Tasmanian News.
*People's Friend.
*Launceston Examiner.
*Launceston Telegraph.
*Hobart Gazette.
*N.S.W. Gazette.
*Australian Independent.
*Day Star.
*Imperial Federation.
*The Colonist.
*N.W. Post.

• Presented.

7. The Books, Furniture, and Fittings belonging to the Public Library are insured in the Cornwall Insurance Company for £2000.

8. In conclusion, the Trustees would continue to urge upon Government and Parliament the great claims of the Institution, which is mainly sustained at the cost of the citizens of Hobart, but is open to all who may choose to avail themselves of its privileges.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

C. M. MAXWELL, *Chairman.*

The Hon. the Chief Secretary.

THE TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY in Account with the Trustees, 1888-9.

<i>Dr.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>
Amount paid to City Council in aid of Librarian's salary	75 0 0	Balance from 1887	160 12 11
Additional contributions to salaries (Librarian and Assistant)	96 13 4	Interest	156 15 10
Overdraft, Commercial Bank	18 2 6	Government grant in aid	200 0 0
Interest on ditto	0 2 6		
Premium on Treasury Bills	7 10 0		
J. Walch & Sons	111 12 9		
T. L. Hood	18 16 9		
Secretary, to 30th June	10 10 0		
Atlas Publishing Company, Sydney	5 10 0		
Davies Bros.....	2 5 0		
<i>Launceston Examiner</i>	0 10 0		
H. J. Marsh	0 1 6		
Petty Expenses	8 9 4		
Cheque Book	0 2 1		
Balance—			
In Savings Bank	£155 19 7		
In Commercial Bank	5 4 3		
In hands of Secretary	0 19 2		
	162 3 0		
	£517 8 9		£517 8 9

MEMORANDUM.—The invested funds amount to One thousand five hundred Pounds in Government Treasury Bills, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent., redeemable on 20th March, 1890. Out of the revenue derived from the interest, a sum of £75 is paid over to the Municipal Council in aid of the Librarian's salary.

ALFRED J. TAYLOR, *Secretary.*

Examined and certified to be correct.

W. LOVETT, *Auditor-General.*
17th April, 1889.

TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

EXPENDITURE of the Hobart Corporation for the year 1888.

	<i>£ s. d.</i>
Salaries.....	253 7 0
Cleansing Library	20 0 0
Gas	35 0 0
Fuel	7 16 7
Insurance	4 10 0
Books, Magazines, and Papers, &c.....	111 12 3
Miscellaneous	7 12 5
Binding	24 8 9
	£464 7 0*

This amount includes the sum of £75 paid to the Corporation by the Trustees in aid of the Librarian's salary.

W. T. BIRCH, *City Accountant.*