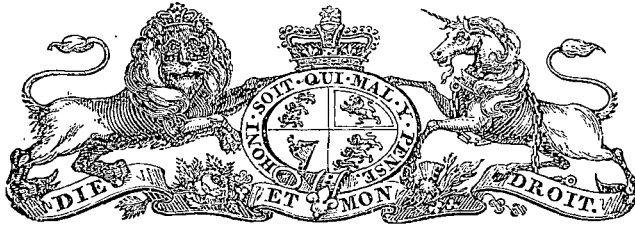


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SIR,

I HAVE the honour to submit the Annual Report for this Institution for the year 1898.

Patients remaining 1st January.....	6
Admitted during the year.....	13
	<u>19</u>

Discharged during the year.....	13
Remaining 31st December, 1898.....	6
	<u>19</u>

Of the 19 patients treated—

13	were for the first time.
1	“ second time.
3	“ third time.
1	“ fourth time.
1	“ sixth time.

Ages—

2	between 10 and 14.
10	“ 15 “ 25.
6	“ 25 “ 35.
1	“ 55 “ 65.

14	were natives of Tasmania.
1	was a native of England.
1	“ Scotland.
3	were natives of Victoria.

19

Average age—24·52; and the average period of detention, 131 days.

Education—14 could read and write; 4 could neither read nor write; 1 read only.

The daily average was 5·02.

Cases treated—	
Syphilis, Tertiary.....	2
Gonorrhoea.....	17
	<u>19</u>

Expenditure—		£	s.	d.
Salaries	65	0	0	
Provisions	66	17	7	
Stores.....	12	18	9	
Fuel, Light, and Water	16	18	6	
Alterations and Repairs to Buildings	3	0	0	
	<u>£164</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>10</u>	

Average cost per head—£8 13s. 4d.

The highest number at any time was 8 ; the lowest number was 3.

One patient was transferred to General Hospital suffering from Syphilis. The Medical Officer stated that there were better facilities for treating the disease there. Three patients were transferred to the Magdalene Home upon their discharge, at their own request.

The conduct of the inmates has been fairly good.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

HENRY BERRESFORD, *Superintendent.*

The Honourable the Chief Secretary, Hobart.