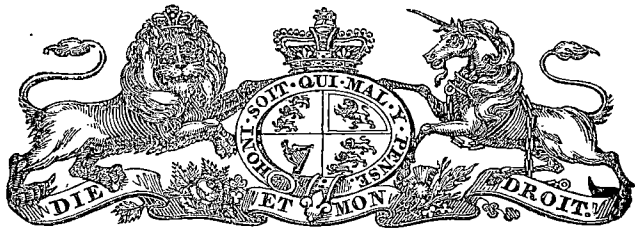


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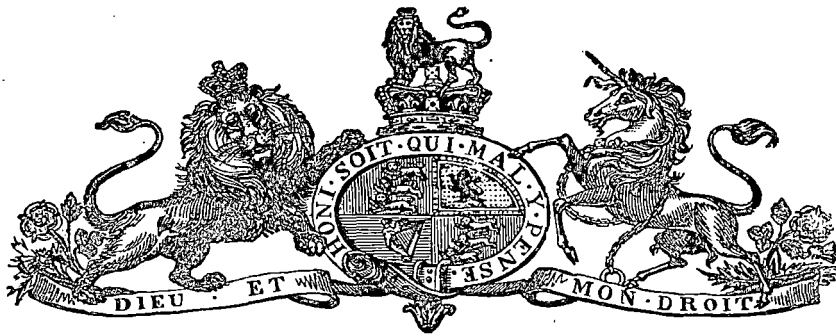
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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA

TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY :

REPORT FOR 1886.

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



TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT for the Year 1886.

Trustees:

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HARBOTTLE.)
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ALDERMAN CRISP.

Chief Librarian and Secretary:—MR. ALFRED J. TAYLOR.

Tasmanian Public Library, 1st March, 1887.

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 1886.

1. The Trustees, in presenting their Sixteenth Annual Report, have to record that during the period under review, 34,350 visits to the Institution have been recorded.*

2. During the year, 195 volumes have been added by purchase and presentation.

3. 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, and also from Colonel Legge, F. Butler, Esq., and Mr. Thos. Murrige.

4. The City Council have voted a sum of £514 7s. for Library purposes for the year 1887, the estimated Expenditure being as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries—Librarian	178	7	0			
Assistant	125	0	0			
Hallkeeper, cleansing Library	20	0	0			
				323	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
				£514	7	0

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

*These numbers are approximate.

5. 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.

Dublin Review.
British Quarterly.
Fortnightly.
*Englishwoman's Review.
Evangelical 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.

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

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.
*Devon Herald.
Illustrated Sydney News.

*Bendigo Independent.
Melbourne Argus.
——— Age.
——— Telegraph.
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.
*N.S.W. Independent.
*Day Star.
*Imperial Federation.

* Presented.

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

7. 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 persons who may choose to avail themselves of its privileges.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. W. AGNEW, *Chairman.*

The Hon. the Chief Secretary.

THE TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY in account with the Trustees, 1886.

Dr.	£ s. d.	Cr.	£ s. d.
Amount paid to City Council in aid of Librarian's salary	75 0 0	Balance from 1885	176 14 2
Additional salaries (Librarian and Assistant)	98 0 0	Interest	86 8 11
Secretary, to 30th June	10 10 0	Government grant in aid	200 0 0
J. Walch and Sons (books, stationery, &c.)	74 7 6	Proceeds waste paper sold	10 10 4
Ditto (binding)	19 9 9		
T. L. Hood	5 13 8		
S. Smith (repairs, &c.)	4 10 6		
Spong & Gatwood (autotypist)	3 7 0		
Petty expenses for year	4 5 3		
H. J. Marsh (ironmongery, &c.)	1 4 3		
Balance—			
In Savings Bank	£163 10 4		
In Commercial Bank	13 9 0		
In Secretary's hands	0 6 2		
	177 5 6		
	<u>£473 13 5</u>		<u>£473 13 5</u>

MEMORANDUM.—The invested funds amount to One thousand five hundred Pounds, placed, on 20th March, as a fixed deposit for one year in the Commercial Bank, and bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent. 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.

J. W. AGNEW, *Chairman.*

ALFRED J. TAYLOR, *Secretary.*

Examined and certified to be correct.

W. LOVETT, *Colonial Auditor.*

Hobart, 16th May, 1887.

TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

EXPENDITURE of the Hobart Corporation for the Year 1886.

	£ s. d.
Salaries	283 7 0
Cleansing Library	10 0 0
Gas	35 0 0
Fuel	6 10 6
Insurance	4 10 0
Books, Magazines and Papers, &c.	120 6 4
Miscellaneous	1 1 0
Ironmongery	1 7 7
Binding	3 10 0
	<u>£465 12 5*</u>

* 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.*