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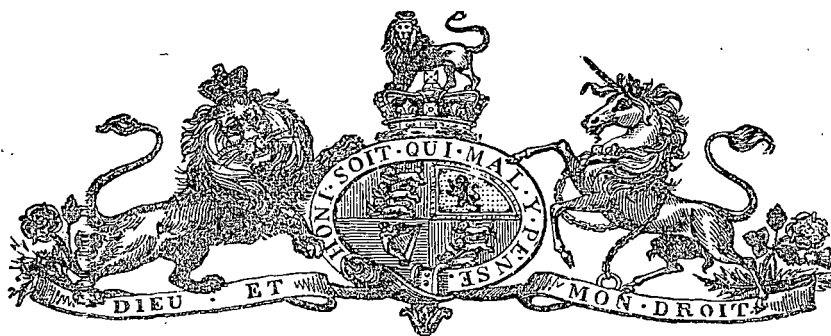
1887.

PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

INVALID DEPÔT, LAUNCESTON :

REPORT FOR 1886.

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



INVALID DEPÔT, LAUNCESTON.

REPORT for 1886.

Invalid Depôt, Launceston, 24th January, 1887.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to submit my Annual Report for this Establishment for the year 1886.

Admissions and Discharges.

The number of inmates remaining on the 1st January was.....	149	
Admitted during the year.....	140	
		289
Discharged	147	
Died	29	
		176
Remaining on 31st December.....	..	113
TOTAL .....	..	289

Admissions.—The admissions were 38 less than the previous year. The daily average number of inmates was 128, of which 125·30 were chargeable to the Colonial Government, and 2·69 to Imperial expenditure. The daily average for 1885 was 150·2.

Discharges.—Twelve were transferred to the General Hospital, 10 to the police for breaches of the regulations, 4 absconded, 29 were discharged by the approval of the Administrator of Charitable Grants, and 36 were transferred to the Depôt, New Town. The latter were removed in consequence of the space occupied by them being required for the Contagious Diseases Hospital.

Mortality.—The death rate was 10·034 per cent., as against 9·627 for 1885. The average age at death was 72·034; the maximum being 88 years, and the minimum 47 years. The united ages of 13 oldest who died were 1059, being an average of 81·46 years.

Ages.—The average ages of inmates was 66·50, inclusive of 9 between 26 and 51 years.

Civil Condition.

Free by servitude.....	240
Arrived free to Colony.....	43
Natives of the Colony.....	6
TOTAL	289

Remaining on 31st December.

Free by servitude.....	96
Arrived free.....	13
Natives	4
TOTAL	113

Cost.—The gross expenditure for the year was £1816 4s. 11d., being £255 3s. 5d. less than the amount provided in Estimates. The annual cost per head was £14 3s. 9½d. and £13 12s. 8½d. on gross and net expenditure respectively, as against £15 5s. 5½d. and £14 19s. 0½d. for 1885.

Remarks.—The conduct of inmates has (with very few exceptions) been very good. Appended are Returns of Expenditure, Contract Prices, and Decennial Returns.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

A. JONES, *Superintendent.*

The Hon. the Chief Secretary.

RETURN showing Cost of the INVALID DEPOT, Launceston, for the Year 1886.

Daily Average—Colonial Government, 125'30 ; Imperial Government, 2'69.

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE.			CASH RECEIPTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Salaries .....	...	409 8 4	For maintenance of inmates	65	16 4
Contingencies—			Error in Mr. Swan's account (potatoes).....	5	0 0
Provisions & medical comforts	865	0 10	Balance, being Net Expenditure for year....	1745	8 7
Clothing, bedding, stores, and stationery.....	315	'14 5			
Washing.....	43	11 7			
Medical attendance and medicines.....	36	10 0			
Funerals, miscellaneous, and incidental expenses	78	19 0			
Repairs and alterations to buildings.....	67	0 9			
		1406 16 7			
		£1816 4 11			£1816 4 11

	£	s.	d.
Annual cost per head on Gross Expenditure	14	3	9½
Annual cost per head on Net Expenditure	13	12	8½

RETURN showing the estimated probable Cost, and the actual Amount expended, for the Year 1886.

Heads.	Per Estimate.	Actual Cost.	Increase.	Decrease.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Salaries.....	409 8 4	409 8 4	...	...
Provisions	850 0 0	813 10 9	...	36 9 3
Medical comforts.....	100 0 0	51 10 1	...	48 9 11
Stores, bedding, &c.....	400 0 0	315 14 5	...	84 5 7
Washing.....	60 0 0	43 11 7	...	16 8 5
Medical attendance and medicines.....	37 0 0	36 10 0	...	0 10 0
Funerals, miscellaneous, &c.	115 0 0	78 19 0	...	36 1 0
Repairs, &c.	100 0 0	67 0 9	...	32 19 3
	2071 8 4	1816 4 11	...	255 3 5

Estimated cost	£2071 8 4
Actual cost.....	1816 4 11
Excess of Estimate	Nil.

CONTRACT Prices for the supply of Provisions, Fuel, Funerals, &c. for 1885 and 1886.

<i>Articles.</i>	<i>Contract Prices.</i>			
	1885.		1886.	
	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Meat, January to 30th June, per 100 lbs.	25	9	22	11
Meat, 1st July to 31st December, per 100 lbs.	27	6	32	11
Bread, 20 per cent., January to April, per 100 lbs.	8	5	8	3
Ditto, May to December, per 100 lbs.	8	3	9	0
Bread, fine, January to April, per 100 lbs.	9	2½	9	11
Ditto, May to December, per 100 lbs.	9	11	10	0
Potatoes, per cwt.	8	0	6	0
Rice, per lb.	0	3	0	2½
Oatmeal, per lb.	0	3	0	2½
Barley, per lb.	0	3	0	2¾
Soap, per lb.	0	3¾	32s. per cwt.	
York Plains Coal, per ton	25	0	25	0
Longford Coal, per ton. ....	...		20	0
Funerals and Interments	45	0	48	0
Milk, per quart.	0	3	0	3
Wood.	18	0	17	0

DECENNIAL RETURN showing the Number of Persons remaining in the INVALID DEPÔT, Launceston, on 1st January; Number received, discharged, and remaining on the 31st of December of each year; Net Cost per Head; and the Total Cost of Institution.

YEAR.	<i>Remaining on 1st January.</i>	<i>Received during the Year.</i>	TOTAL.	<i>Discharged during the Year.</i>	<i>Died during Year.</i>	TOTAL.	<i>Remaining on 31st December.</i>	<i>Net Cost per Head.</i>	<i>Gross Cost of Establishment.</i>
								£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1877..	123	137	260	108	32	140	120	13 18 7	1797 5 5
1878..	120	132	252	110	28	138	114	12 9 10	1662 10 9
1879..	114	185	299	134	32	166	133	13 9 7	1765 2 10
1880..	133	176	309	152	20	172	137	13 6 0	1898 14 0
1881..	137	151	288	118	33	151	137	12 6 6	1919 1 5
1882..	137	172	309	124	52	176	133	12 3 0	1943 14 7
1883..	133	174	307	136	28	164	143	13 15 9½	1968 16 1
1884..	143	164	307	129	34	163	144	14 16 11¾	2286 3 1
1885..	144	178	322	142	31	173	149	14 19 0¼	2294 0 7
1886..	149	140	289	147	29	176	113	13 12 8½	1816 4 11