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1878.

TASMANIA.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

THE FEMALE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL:

REPORT FOR 1877.

Laid upon the Table by the Colonial Treasurer, and ordered by the House to be printed, July 16, 1878.



HOBART TOWN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

ANNUAL REPORT, 1877.

AN Institution whose object is not only the prevention of crime, but also the qualifying of its inmates for useful positions in life, by education, by fostering industrious habits, and by the formation of sound moral character, on Christian principles, must be regarded as of the highest importance; and a Committee to whose care such an institution is entrusted, cannot be too watchful over its interests. Your Committee feel that no light task has been committed to them, and they hope that the results of their deliberations and labours will be such as to encourage the friends of the Institution to give to it a more hearty support. During the year some alterations in the internal management have necessarily taken place. There has been more than once a change of teachers; a new Matron has also been appointed, Mrs. Kenny having resigned, after holding that position for several years.

It has been sometimes found very inconvenient that the regulations for the guidance of the Committee were so indefinite, that they have had to refer questions to the Guardians for their advice, who, being in doubt as to the extent of their power, have referred them back to the Committee. On this account it was thought desirable that a constitution should be agreed upon which should prevent such uncertainty, and for this purpose a meeting of subscribers was called, at which a new constitution was adopted, and Guardians appointed, the names of Messrs. C. Crosby and G. Salier being added to those who had already held that position.

The number of inmates, January 1, 1877	34
Ditto admitted	12
Ditto left for service	14
Ditto, December 31	32

Your Committee are sanguine that the steps they have taken for the more efficient working of the home in all its departments will meet with the approbation of the subscribers, and earnestly desire that all their efforts may be attended by the blessing of Almighty God.

CONSTITUTION.

1. That the School shall be for the education, maintenance, and training of such classes of children as described in the Industrial Schools Act, 1867.

2. That there shall be five Governors elected for three years; but to remain in office until their successors are appointed. That a donor of £5, or a subscriber of £1 (such subscription to be for the year of election) be empowered to vote in the election of such Governors.

3. That the management of the School be vested in a committee of not less than ten, nor more than twenty, ladies, to be elected by the donors and subscribers.

4. That the Committee of Management have power to remove officers and fix salaries, and that they shall submit an annual report in January of each year.

5. That the rules for the management of the School shall be made by the Committee of Management at their discretion, and, when approved by the Governors, published with their next annual report.

6. That the Governors shall act as Trustees.

7. That the rules may be altered and modified at any time at a meeting of donors, called after one month's notice had been previously given.

HOBART TOWN FEMALE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL in account with the Treasurer.

1877.	<i>Dr.</i>	£ s. d.	1877.	<i>Cr.</i>	£ s. d.
To balance		109 8 2	By cash paid for provisions		308 18 7½
Government aid		426 2 9	Ditto clothing		153 13 7
Subscriptions and donations		84 10 0	Ditto Matrons' salaries		80 18 4
Towards the support of two children ...		23 10 0	Ditto bedding		11 2 4
Earned by the children for washing, mangling, and needlework		144 4 10	Ditto keep of cow		13 4 3
Sale of pig		2 0 0	Ditto furniture		18 8 6
Proceeds of box		0 7 8	Ditto fuel		26 11 0
			Ditto repairs		16 8 6
			Ditto kerosene and soap		13 12 6
			Ditto wages		4 9 0
			Ditto printing		4 10 0
			Ditto rent		12 10 0
			Ditto medicine		0 13 0
			Ditto books		0 11 9
			Ditto interest on over-draft		0 19 2
			Balance Commercial Bank		123 12 11
		£790 3 5			£790 3 5
To Balance		£123 12 11			

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

1869.	£ s. d.	1877.	£ s. d.
Feb. 13. To J. R. Bateman's Legacy	84 5 0	with Savings' Bank interest to Aug. 31, 1877	121 17 3
March. Savings' Bank Deposit	150 0 0	Ditto	178 13 3
January. Fixed deposit, Commercial Bank. 1000 0 0	1000 0 0		
February. Ditto	200 0 0	} with interest to July, 1877	1393 5 0
			£1693 15 6

(E. & O.E.) HENRY COOK, *Treasurer.*
1st February, 1878.

Audited and certified to be correct.
Wm. C. ROBINSON.