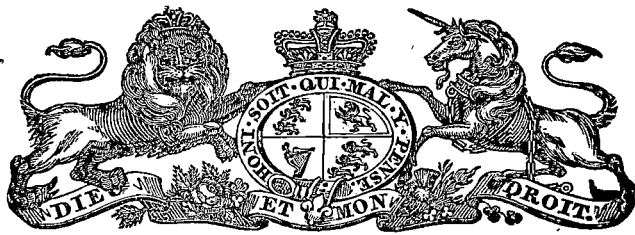


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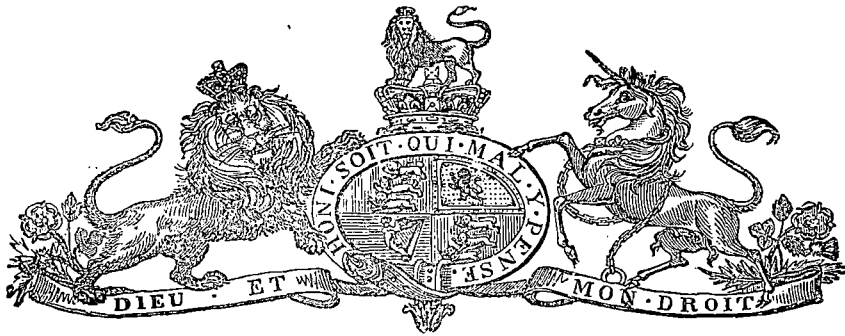
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ST. JOSEPH'S ORPHANAGE, HOBART:

REPORT FOR 1880.

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ST. JOSEPH'S INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.

Hobart, 9th May, 1881.

SIR,

THE Governors of the St. Joseph's Industrial School and Orphanage, Harrington-street, have much pleasure in presenting their Report for the year ending December 31st, 1880, being the Second Annual Report of that Institution.

The number of children in the Orphanage on the 1st of January, 1880, was twenty-six. Of this number twenty-two were paid for by the Government, two by their parents, and two were supported free. During the year two children have been sent in by the Government, two by friends, and another, sent in by the Benevolent Society, had to be removed to the Invalid Depôt, New Town, on account of her defective sight. Two have been hired out, and are giving satisfaction to their employers; two, who have been gratuitously supported, have returned to their parents; and one, who had been sent in for a twelve month's training, has returned to her home. Of those remaining in the Institution on the 1st of January, 1881, twenty-three are paid for by the Government, three by their friends, and one is supported free.

During the year the work of the Institution has been satisfactory, and the girls promise well for the future. They are strong and healthy, and have been free from sickness of every description, except in one instance, when one of the girls suffered from a severe cold for about ten days. The Sisters of the Community in immediate charge are much pleased with the general good conduct of the children, their application to school business and domestic duties, their willingness to oblige, and, above all, their happy, cheerful dispositions.

In February, 1880, a piece of ground adjoining the Orphanage was purchased from Mr. Perkins, at a cost of £235. It is a valuable addition to the premises, and is used as a playground, and also a drying ground.

At Christmas the friends of the Institution gave the children a pleasant excursion to Brown's River, where they spent a very enjoyable day, and returned home fully determined to merit, by their good conduct, a repetition of a similar kindness on a future occasion.

To Dr. Agnew the Institution is greatly indebted for his kind and gratuitous attendance whenever medical advice was required.

The death of the Honorable Thomas Field is a serious loss to the Institution, as he was one of its most liberal supporters, having, during nine months of the year, given a sheep weekly for the use of the orphans. We trust that He who rewards "even a cup of cold water given for His sake" has given him a hundred fold for these acts of charity.

In conclusion, the Governors desire to thank most sincerely all kind friends who have contributed during the last year, either in money or in kind, towards the support of the children of St. Joseph's Industrial School and Orphanage.

We have the honor to remain,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servants,

CHAS. WOODS,

ELIZA WILLIAMS,

CATHERINE O'FARRELL,

} *Governors of St. Joseph's
Industrial School and
Orphanage.*

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

