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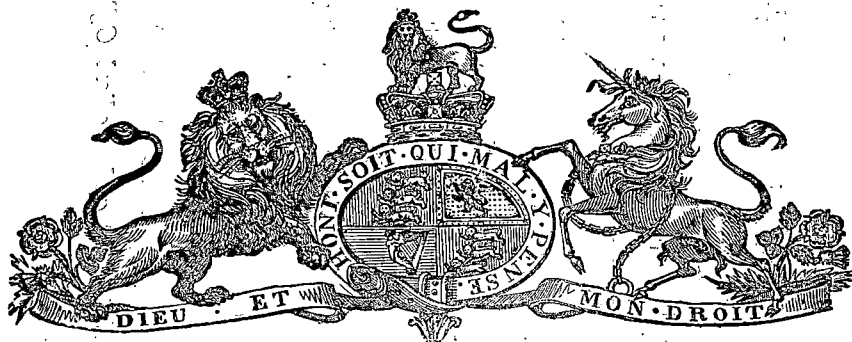
TASMANIA.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

HOSPITAL FOR INSANE.

REPORT FOR 1871.

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Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, 1st January, 1872.

To His Excellency CHARLES DU CANE, Esquire, Governor-in-Chief of Tasmania and its Dependencies.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

THE last Report of the Commissioners addressed to Your Excellency, dated November, 1871, embraced the chief matters of interest in the conduct of the Institution under their care up to that date, and during the brief remainder of that year little occurred requiring comment.

The Commissioners now submit to Your Excellency the usual Statistical and other Returns, affording full information on the various subjects to which they refer, for the whole of the past year. In the month of October the number of Patients reached the unprecedented total of 273, but had declined at the end of the year to 266, being only 2 in excess of those under treatment at the conclusion of the previous year.

The whole annual cost of the Establishment has amounted to £6899 13s. 3d., averaging £25 18s. 10d. for each Patient, or 9s. 11½d. weekly.

The receipts on account of Patients contributing towards the cost of their support were £1146 1s. 3d.

The separate establishment for the reception of Male Patients of the upper class has long been fully self-supporting, and that for Females of that class has now attained the same position.

The total number of Patients treated in the Hospital during the year has been 306, of whom 219 were chargeable to Colonial and 43 to Imperial funds. Of the former, 44 were wholly or partially self-supporting, at rates varying from five shillings to sixpence per diem.

The labour of the Patients has not been less productive than usual, and has afforded a large supply of vegetables, fruit, and milk for the use of the establishment, besides a considerable amount of other useful and necessary work.

With the view of relieving the crowded state of the Hospital, the Superintendent has reported that a few of the inmates might with safety be transferred to one of the other Charitable Institutions of the Colony; but as these persons are only eight in number, the relief to be obtained by their removal would be trifling, and for this and other reasons the Commissioners do not at present recommend that step.

The general health of the Patients has been as usual highly satisfactory. Nearly all the deaths that have occurred have been the result of organic disease of long standing.

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RETURN of Admissions, Discharges, Deaths, and Re-admissions in the Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, Tasmania, showing the per-centage of Discharges and Deaths from 1st January to 31st December, 1871.

	ADMISSIONS, 1871.			DISCHARGES, 1871.									DEATHS, 1871.									RE-ADMIS- SIONS, 1871.			RATE PER CENT. 1871.			
	From 1st January to 31st December, 1871.			Of those admitted during the Year.			Of previous Admissions.			Total discharged.			Of those admitted during the Year.			Of previous Admissions.			Total Deaths.			Of those discharged during the Year.			Of Recoveries.		Of Deaths.	
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	On Ad- missions.	On Total treated.	On Ad- missions.	On Total treated.
Remaining 31 Dec. 1870.....	141	121	262																									
Admitted during the Year 1871	21	23	44	5	4	9	5	4	9	10	8	18	1	3	4	12	6	18	13	9	22	1	—	1	40 ¹⁰ ₁₁	51 ⁵ ₁₇	50	7 ²⁹ ₁₃₃
TOTAL.....	162	144	306																									
Remaining 31 Dec. 1871.....	139	127	266																									

G. F. HUSTON, Superintendent and Medical Officer.

RETURN showing the Duration of Disease in Patients on Admission, and the Result for the Year 1871.

No.	Date of Admission.	Duration of Disease on Admission.			Discharged recovered.	Died.	Present Condition.	Remarks.
			Yrs.	Mths.	Wks.			
679	11. 1. 71	..	..	2	1. 8. 71	..	..	..
680	3. 2. 71	2	..	..	..	..	Epileptic	Not improved.
681	8. 2. 71	1	6	..	..	6. 6. 71	..	..
682	13. 2. 71	12	..	..	..	..	Epileptic	Improved.
683	20. 2. 71	..	4	..	20. 12. 71	..	..	Improved.
684	23. 2. 71	..	..	..	..	..	..	Not improved.
685	2. 3. 71	..	..	..	..	..	Epileptic	Not improved.
686	14. 3. 71	..	..	1	..	19. 3. 71	..	..
687	18. 3. 71	..	2	..	..	..	..	Much improved.
688	19. 4. 71	..	..	..	..	..	..	Improved.
689	1. 5. 71	24	..	..	..	..	Congenital idiot	Improved.
690	18. 5. 71	..	..	3	19. 6. 71	..	..	Improved.
691	22. 5. 71	..	1	..	..	..	..	Improved.
692	22. 5. 71	..	..	3	..	..	..	Fast recovering.
693	26. 5. 71	3	..	..	..	25. 5. 71	..	..
694	6. 6. 71	2	..	..	..	..	..	Not improved.
695	9. 6. 71	..	..	..	..	..	..	Not improved.
696	9. 6. 71	..	..	..	..	..	..	Improved.
697	16. 6. 71	5	..	..	..	..	..	Improved.
698	16. 6. 71	3	..	..	..	..	..	Improved.
699	16. 6. 71	..	3	..	..	..	..	Nearly well.
700	30. 6. 71	..	6	..	..	..	..	Improved.
701	8. 7. 71	..	..	..	14. 12. 71	..	..	..
702	13. 7. 71	12	..	..	..	..	..	Improved.
703	14. 7. 71	..	2	..	..	..	..	Improved.
704	21. 7. 71	..	..	..	17. 10. 71	..	..	..
705	28. 7. 71	..	..	2	..	..	Epileptic	Not improved.
706	5. 8. 71	2	..	..	..	22. 8. 71	..	..
707	16. 8. 71	..	4	..	17. 10. 71	..	..	..
708	25. 8. 71	..	..	1	6. 9. 71	..	..	..
709	5. 9. 71	1	6	..	..	..	..	Improved.
710	8. 9. 71	6	..	..	..	..	..	Not improved.
711	8. 9. 71	..	..	5	9. 11. 71	..	..	..
712	16. 9. 71	..	..	1	..	..	..	Not improved.
713	18. 9. 71	..	2	..	..	..	..	Not improved.
714	3. 10. 71	..	..	9	..	..	..	Not improved.
715	27. 10. 71	..	1	..	..	..	..	Not improved.
716	31. 10. 71	..	..	2	..	..	..	Not improved.
717	1. 11. 71	..	..	3	..	..	..	Not improved.
718	17. 11. 71	..	6	..	27. 12. 71	..	..	Improved.
719	20. 11. 71	10	..	..	..	..	..	Improved.
720	5. 12. 71	10	..	..	..	..	..	Improved.
721	21. 12. 71	..	3	..	..	..	..	Not improved.
722	21. 12. 71	..	2	..	..	..	..	Not improved.

G. F. HUSTON, *Superintendent and Medical Officer.*

RETURN of Patients who died in the Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, and Period of Detention, from 1st January to 31st December, 1871.

<i>No. in Register.</i>	<i>Date of Admission.</i>			<i>Date of Death.</i>			<i>Age at Death.</i>
609.....	3.	6.	69	5.	1.	71	10
647.....	15.	3.	70	23.	1.	71	57
537.....	12.	6.	67	13.	2.	71	31
110.....	4.	1.	55	11.	3.	71	61
686.....	14.	3.	71	19.	3.	71	36
509.....	6.	5.	66	22.	3.	71	75
651.....	4.	4.	70	23.	3.	71	61
59.....	23.	11.	48	23.	3.	71	61
676.....	18.	11.	70	13.	4.	71	49
407.....	24.	12.	63	9.	5.	71	58
522.....	15.	11.	66	6.	6.	71	18
681.....	8.	2.	71	6.	6.	71	41
546.....	21.	10.	67	7.	6.	71	14
311.....	8.	5.	61	25.	6.	71	67
649.....	25.	3.	70	13.	7.	71	60
693.....	26.	5.	71	25.	7.	71	30
706.....	5.	8.	71	22.	8.	71	23
628.....	14.	10.	69	25.	10.	71	47
458.....	10.	3.	65	30.	11.	71	18
105.....	30.	8.	54	3.	12.	71	54
183.....	11.	2.	58	28.	12.	71	64
212.....	13.	3.	59	31.	12.	71	42

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RETURN of Work performed by Patients in co-operation with the Carpenter and Painter in the Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, during the Year 1871.

Buildings erected.—1 bath-room and lavatory for females. 1 bath-room and lavatory for boys' cottage.

Fencing.—Cottage for boys fenced off.

New Articles made.—1 hand cart, 1 hand dray, 3 wheelbarrows, 3 extra strong wood horses, 1 pump for raising water, 1 pair shafts to horse cart, 1 pair shafts to horse dray, 17 coffins.

Repairs.—Barn floor relaid, gates and fences to farm, bull cart, horse cart, horse dray, head of mill-race, 2 shower-baths, garden fence, general repairs to floors of dormitories and cells, &c.

Painting.—Gentlemen's cottage, front division, back division, roof lining of cells, mess-room cleaned, 129 squares of glass put in.

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RETURN of Articles of Clothing made and repaired by the Patients in the Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, from 1st January to 31st December, 1871.

ARTICLES.	MADE.		REPAIRED.	
	<i>By Males.</i>	<i>By Females.</i>	<i>By Males.</i>	<i>By Females.</i>
Aprons, women's	—	136	—	—
Boots, men's, pairs	1	—	169	—
Boots, women's, pairs	3	—	16	—
Boots, children's, pairs	2	—	4	—
Blinds, window	—	6	—	—
Blouzes, boys'	—	15	—	—
Cases, pillow and bolster	—	143	—	20
Caps, women's	—	95	—	—
Coats, blue and tweed	1	—	27	—
Dresses, print, coburg, and tweed	—	74	—	—
Dresses, ticking	—	—	—	—
Dresses, winsey	—	60	—	—
Dresses, serge	—	7	—	—
Drawers, cotton and flannel, pairs	—	—	—	62
Frocks, linen, men's	—	15	187	—
Gowns, night	—	—	—	—
Jackets, blue cloth	1	—	222	—
Jackets, serge and tweed, women's	—	32	—	—
Jackets, cotton	—	167	—	—
Jackets, canvas, men's	—	—	9	—
Matrasses	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous "small articles"	49	109	114	—
Palliasses	—	—	—	24
Petticoats, flannel and serge	—	72	—	—
Rugs and counterpanes	—	2	3	15
Sheets	—	—	—	39
Shirts, striped, men's	}	481	—	357
Shirts, white, men's				
Shoes, men's and women's, pairs	—	—	106	—
Shifts, women's	—	299	—	—
Slippers, pairs	4	—	6	—
Stockings, pairs	—	—	—	1329
Sox, pairs	—	—	—	—
Towels, hand and round	—	—	—	2
Trousers, fustian, pairs	3	—	978	—
Trousers, tweed, pairs	6	—	286	—
Trousers, linen, pairs	1	—	246	—
Table-cloths	—	22	—	4
Vests, flannel	—	38	—	91
Vests, tweed, fustian, and cloth	2	—	143	—

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