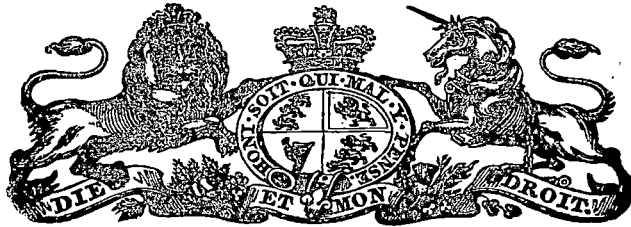


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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

HOSPITAL FOR INSANE, NEW NORFOLK:

REPORT FOR 1883.

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



Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, 11th June, 1884.

To His Excellency SIR GEORGE CUMINE STRAHAN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Tasmania and its Dependencies, in Council.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

1. In accordance with the requirements of the "Act for the regulation of the Care and Treatment of the Insane," we have now the honor to present to you our Report upon the Asylum under our control for the year 1883.

2. The number of patients treated in the Hospital during the year has been precisely the same as in 1882,—namely, 341. The numbers remaining on the 31st December, 1883, were 145 Males, 144 Females=289, as compared with 147 Males, 147 Females=294 on the 31st December, 1882.

3. On making a decennial comparison, we find that the numbers under treatment on the 31st December, 1873, were 141 Males, 127 Females=268; on the 31st December, 1883, 145 Males, 144 Females=289. The population of the Colony at these respective dates is computed by the Government Statistician to have been 104,217 in 1873, and 126,220 in 1883. The proportion of insane persons to population was therefore 2·57 to 1000 in 1873; as against 2·29 in 1883. It is thus satisfactory to observe that the number of the Insane has not increased in the same ratio as the population. It is also noteworthy that the increase during the past 10 years consists principally of Females, the comparative numbers being 4 Males to 17 Females.

4. 27 Patients have died during the year; of these 7 were very aged persons, ranging from 70 to 83, the average age of the whole number being 54. The cause of death in each case has been natural disease.

5. No cases of serious injury inflicted by one patient on another have occurred, nor have there been any attempts at suicide.

6. 24 Patients have been discharged cured; the percentage to the numbers treated being 7·03, a rather better result than that shown in our Report for 1882.

7. The net cost of each Patient has been £19 7s. 9d. per annum. This is certainly a low rate when compared with that of kindred institutions in the other Colonies; but it may be doubted whether this is a subject for congratulation, and whether this comparative cheapness may not have been gained at the expense of some degree of comfort and efficiency.

8. All the Patients capable of performing any labour have been provided with occupation, and much useful work has been done by the inmates, of both sexes.

9. Advantage has been taken of every opportunity of affording extra amusement to the patients on the occasion of circus companies, &c. visiting the Township; and we hope when the recreation ground outside the walls has been completed to be able to provide facilities for healthy out-door games.

10. The provisions supplied by the different contractors have been on the whole good, but we are of opinion that some alterations in the scale of diet might beneficially be made.

11. There are now 16 Male Criminal Lunatics confined in the Asylum under Your Excellency's warrant during the Queen's pleasure; some of these have homicidal tendencies, and all of them require an extra amount of surveillance which cannot be afforded without inconvenience. We

therefore strongly recommend their early removal to the Cascades Asylum, where there is ample room for their reception, and where they can be more conveniently detained. In the present crowded state of the New Norfolk Hospital the relief which would be afforded by this measure would be considerable, and would admit of our carrying out to some small extent the much required re-arrangement in regard to the classification of the inmates.

12. It is with extreme regret that we are compelled to state that during the past year nothing whatever has been done to improve the condition of the accommodation provided in the buildings for Patients and Attendants, and that the various additions and alterations which we have from time to time recommended as urgently needed, and, indeed, essential to the proper working of the Asylum, have not been even commenced.

13. We feel it our duty again to represent to Your Excellency that the accommodation now supplied by the existing buildings is wholly inadequate for the proper treatment of the number of Patients now confined therein; that the crowded state of the wards and yards renders the necessary classification of the inmates an impossibility; that the insufficiency of storage and bath-rooms is severely felt, and occasions the greatest inconvenience; that the laundry arrangements are most deficient in space and appliances; and that the absence of day and night quarters for the attendants entails upon them a degree of discomfort for which no increase of pay can compensate, and which renders it impossible to retain the services of attendants for any length of time, and thus occasions a constant change in the staff of subordinate officials most detrimental to the discipline and efficiency of the Institution. We desire to express our earnest hope that before we again address Your Excellency the necessary funds for remedying all these defects will have been provided, and that we shall be in a position to record the completion of the works necessary to place the accommodation of the Hospital on an improved footing.

14. The Cottage on the other side of the Lachlan Rivulet, now used for the Idiot Boys, besides being inconveniently situated, is in other ways quite unfit for the purpose to which it is now put. The rooms are small, dingy, badly lighted, and badly ventilated, and only provide accommodation for 9 boys, whereas the average number of this class is 17. If these poor idiots are to be retained in the occupation of these premises, considerable additions and alterations will be imperatively needed for the better promotion of their comfort.

15. We have again to call attention to the inconvenience which arises from the Assistant Surgeon residing at a distance from the Hospital, and to urge the necessity for quarters being provided for that officer either in or close to the walls of the Institution.

16. The piece of ground adjoining the northern wall has been laid down in English grass, and a commencement thus made in converting it into a recreation ground; the employment of skilled labour will, however, be required to effect this properly, and we recommend that the necessary authority be given for the expenditure required to complete this work.

17. The Medical Superintendent has carried on the duties of his onerous office, under peculiarly difficult and trying circumstances, in such a manner as to merit our entire approval, and to justify our unabated confidence in his professional skill and administrative ability.

18. The Assistant Surgeon, Dr. Florance, greatly to our regret, resigned his position on the 25th October. The vacancy thus occasioned remained unfilled till the 18th December, when Dr. Dinham, who had been appointed to the office, commenced his duties. We have so far every reason to believe that he will prove an efficient officer and a useful assistant to the Medical Superintendent.

19. Representations were made to us on the 4th August regarding the misconduct of the Matron, which, having been fully investigated, resulted in the removal of that officer. The whole details of this matter have already been laid before Parliament, and need not be here repeated.

20. The Sub-Matron, Mrs. Bell, retired on pension on the 1st June, and Miss Stanwix, who had served for some time with good conduct and intelligence as a Nurse, was appointed, on the recommendation of the Commissioners, to the vacant office. On the 19th October, Thomas Cooper, Underkeeper in charge of the back yard, was discharged for drunkenness.

21. Of the Male Attendants, five were dismissed during the year for misconduct; three were discharged as incompetent, and 13 left of their own accord; of the latter the majority had only been in the Hospital for short periods, ranging from 1 to 12 months. We call attention to this fact as evidence of the difficulty we have before adverted to, of retaining under present conditions the services of Wardsmen for any length of time. Three Nurses were dismissed for insubordination to the Matron, and three left after serving from 3 to 12 months.

22. 24 Male Attendants and 9 Nurses have been engaged during the course of the year, and thus it will be seen that nearly the whole staff of subordinates has been renewed, and is

now composed of persons who have for the most part yet to learn from experience the proper discharge of their peculiar duties.

23. We beg again to urge the desirability of putting the Attendants into some kind of uniform.

24. On the 30th January a Royal Commission was issued by Your Excellency to the Hon. T. D. Chapman, Messrs. B. S. Bird and F. W. Mitchell, to enquire into the present condition of the Asylum for the Insane; and in pursuance of the duty entrusted to them, the members of the Commission visited the Hospital at New Norfolk on the 16th February, the 4th and 5th of April, and the 8th of June. On the 16th of June the result of their investigation was furnished to Your Excellency in a valuable Report which dealt with the Asylum under our control fully and exhaustively. With the recommendations which concluded that Report we are able fully to concur, the greater part of them indeed pointing to defects which we have repeatedly brought under the notice of different Ministries, but, unhappily, without effect. Had this Report been taken up and acted upon, and the various works it recommended been rigorously prosecuted, not only would the Asylum by this time have been in a far better position, but much which afterwards occurred would probably have been prevented.

25. On the 27th September a Committee of the Legislative Council was appointed, on the motion of Mr. Crowther, to enquire into the general management of the Hospital for the Insane at New Norfolk, and on the 1st October Mr. Crowther and two other members of the Committee visited and inspected the buildings, and examined certain of the inmates and subordinate officials.

26. The proceedings of the Committee were continued until the middle of December, when a Report was presented to the Council condemning in very strong language the Commissioners, the Medical Superintendent, and all concerned in the management of the Institution, and alleging that there were 20 sane persons improperly detained as Lunatics within the Asylum.

27. On the 15th December the Commissioners held a special meeting for the purpose of considering the Report of Mr. Crowther's Committee, when a resolution protesting against the aminationations contained in it, and recommending that Doctors Manning, Dick, and Patterson—as the highest authorities on the treatment of the Insane in the neighbouring Colonies—should be invited to hold an investigation into the state of the Hospital and its inmates, was unanimously adopted and ordered to be transmitted to the Chief Secretary. At the same time a detailed Report from the Medical Superintendent on the case of each Patient declared in Mr. Crowther's Report to be sane was laid before the Commissioners, and ordered to be also sent forward to the Government. Copies of these papers are hereunto annexed.

28. Having thus brought down the history of the Institution under our care to the close of the year 1883, we leave the events which have since occurred to be recorded in a Supplementary Paper; and have now only to add that the Medical Superintendent's Annual Report, with the usual Returns attached, will be found appended.

We have the honor to be,

Your Excellency,

Your obedient and humble Servants,

HENRY BUTLER, *President.*

W. TARLETON,

HENRY HUNTER,

F. W. MITCHELL,

G. F. HUSTON,

W. C. SHARLAND,

ROBT. CAR. READ,

J. W. AGNEW,

} *Commissioners.*

Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, February, 1884.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to present my Report on this Institution for the year 1883.

On December 31st, 1882, there were 147 male and 147 female patients in this Institution.

During the year 1883 there have been 47 admissions; viz.—31 males and 16 females,—the total number treated during the year being 341, the same as for 1882. The number of admissions for 1883 has been 5 less than 1882,—the average increase of patients for the last ten years being 6.1. There have been

24 patients discharged during the year; viz., 12 males and 12 females. 27 deaths have occurred,—viz., 20 amongst the male and 7 amongst the female patients, whose respective ages are as follows:—1-82, 1-81, 1-80, 1-77, 2-73, 1-70, 1-68, 1-66, 2-63, 1-62, 1-60, 1-58, 1-56, 1-52, 1-51, 1-49, 1-44, 1-42, 1-40, 1-38, 1-36, 1-32, 1-23, 2-21,—the average age of the deceased patients being 54 years. The average daily strength of the patients was 292, the total number treated was 341. 53 were self-supporting, 18 were chargeable to Imperial funds, and 221 were maintained by the Government of this Colony.

The Ladies and Gentlemen's Cottages continue to be self-supporting,—the receipts from the former being £933 18s. 5d., and the receipts from the latter being £1096 6s. 1d.

The cash receipts from all the paying patients were £2030 4s. 6d. The total amount received from all sources was £2102 13s. 6d.

The gross cost of the Institution was £9315 16s. 7d., or £25 10s. 5½d. per diem; but taking into consideration the receipts from all sources, including the sum paid by the Imperial Government, this amount is reduced to £6637 3s. 1d., or 12¾d. per diem for each patient.

The sum of £212 14s. 7d. expended on repairs is not included in the above calculation.

One patient escaped, but was re-captured and brought back the next day.

Four cases of typhoid fever,—two attendants and two patients,—were treated in this Institution during the year, all of whom recovered.

The farm, dairy, and garden have been as productive as usual. The dairy supplied 44,930 pints of milk, worth, at 2d. per pint, £374 8s. 4d., and 375 dozen of eggs, worth, at 1s. 3d. per dozen, £23 8s. 9d.

The garden has furnished liberal supplies of fruit and vegetables, and the farm an excellent supply of poultry, pork, bacon, and ham for the use of the patients, and likewise hay and mangolds for feeding the stock. I estimate the value of the farm and garden produce as shown in Return No. 9 appended, at about £620.

The usual amusements have been provided for the Patients.

It would be well if means were provided to enable them to have occasional drives. In nearly all the Asylums in the other Colonies a conveyance is kept for that purpose.

There have been many changes in the staff of officers and attendants. Dr. Coutie resigned the position of Assistant Medical Officer in April, and was succeeded by Dr. J. W. Florance, who resigned this appointment in October, and Dr. G. J. Dinham was appointed in his place. Mr. C. R. Smales, after many years' faithful service, resigned his appointment as Clerk and Storekeeper, and retired on his well-earned pension, and Mr. J. B. Brownell succeeded him.

Miss S. Alexander has replaced Miss M. M. Laland as Matron, and Mr. W. H. Bennett has replaced Mr. T. Cooper as Junior Underkeeper. Mrs. E. Bell resigned the position of Sub-Matron owing to ill-health, and was succeeded by Miss Jane Stanwix.

Owing to the wages here being less than those given to the majority of the labouring class outside this Institution, the greatest difficulty has been experienced in obtaining attendants, and some of these when engaged were found to be utterly unfit for their position.

As a consequence, too, in several cases breaches of discipline which should have been punished with summary dismissal had to be overlooked, as, had the offenders been removed, the work of the Institution could not have been carried on.

It is therefore evident that a considerable increase in wages will have to be made in order to obtain a suitable class of attendants.

In my Reports for 1881 and 1882 I drew attention to extensive repairs and alterations which were greatly needed here; but as yet nothing has been done with reference to these, except such minor repairs as could be effected by the attendants and patients.

A Royal Commission and a Select Committee of the Legislative Council have reported upon this Institution during the year, and the Reports have been laid before Parliament. The usual Returns are appended.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W. H. MACFARLANE, *M.B., Superintendent
and Medical Officer.*

*The Honorable DR. BUTLER,
President of the Commissioners.*

No. 1.

TABLE showing the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1883.

	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.
In the Asylum on the 1st January, 1883 .....	..	..	..	147	147	294
Admitted { For the first time.....	31	10	41			
{ Re-admitted .....	..	6	6			
Total admitted .....	..	..	..	31	16	47
Total under care during the year .....	..	..	..	178	163	341
Discharged, recovered, &c. { Recovered	12	12	24			
{ Died	20	7	27			
Total discharged, died, &c. during the year .....	..	..	..	32	19	51
Remaining in the Asylum, 31st December.....	146	144	290
Average number resident during the year.....	149.3	142.4	291.7

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No. 2.

RETURN showing the Duration of Diseases in Patients on Admission, and the Results, for the Year 1883.

No. in Register.	Date of Admission.	Age.	Sex.	Duration of Disease on Admission.	No. of previous Attacks.	Discharged, relieved, or recovered.	Died.	Present Condition.
1221	10 January	32	M	1 month	1	..	2 April	
1222	11 January	56	M	10 months	1	10 October	..	
1223	12 January	25	M	1 month	..	25 August	..	
1224	16 January	43	M	Unknown	..	..	21 February	
1225	17 January	31	M	1 week	..	21 March	..	
1226	5 February	60	M	1 month	..	29 September	..	
1227	13 February	41	F	2 months	3	..	..	Improved.
1228	17 March	19	M	11 days	..	6 December	..	
1229	19 March	41	M	2 weeks	..	..	..	Improved.
1230	27 March	31	F	5 months	1	1 June	..	
1231	28 March	16	F	Unknown	1	12 September	..	
1232	29 March	54	M	3 months	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1233	4 April	26	F	Unknown	1	..	25 May	Unimproved.
1234	14 April	81	M	Unknown	..	..	..
1235	3 May	27	F	Unknown	2	24 December	13 June	
1236	4 June	70	M	1 month	..	..	..
1237	4 June	48	M	5 weeks	..	4 August	..	
1238	20 June	45	M	1 week	..	1 October	..	
1239	27 June	50	M	3 months	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1240	16 July	43	F	8 months	..	8 October	..	
1241	20 July	58	M	Unknown	..	..	22 October	
1242	27 July	9	M	Unknown	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1243	3 August	43	M	2 years	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1244	9 August	35	M	Unknown	1	15 October	..	
1245	16 August	72	M	2 months	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1246	17 August	23	M	1½ years	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1247	17 August	42	M	4 years	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1248	20 August	56	M	9 months	..	..	1 November	
1249	21 September	13	F	Unknown	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1250	27 September	80	M	2 years	1	..	17 November	
1251	16 October	48	F	Unknown	1	..	..	Unimproved.
1252	18 October	28	F	3 months	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1253	21 October	30	F	Unknown	1	..	..	Unimproved.
1254	9 November	37	M	Unknown	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1255	15 November	47	M	9 months	..	..	..	Improved.
1256	19 November	27	M	Unknown	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1257	19 November	51	M	1 year	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1258	22 November	18	F	6 years	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1259	27 November	32	M	Unknown	..	15 December	..	
1260	1 December	48	F	8 months	..	..	..	Improved.
1261	5 December	28	M	Unknown	..	..	..	Improved.
1262	6 December	48	F	1 week	3	..	..	Improved.
1263	8 December	70	F	7 months	2	..	..	Unimproved.
1264	10 December	50	F	6 months	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1265	14 December	31	F	Unknown	..	..	..	Unimproved.
1266	28 December	80	M	Unknown	Unimproved.
1267	31 December	52	M	Unknown	Unimproved.

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No 3.

RETURN of Patients who died in Hospital for Insane, New Norfolk, and the period of detention, from 1st January to 31st December, 1883.

<i>No. in Register.</i>	<i>Date of Admission.</i>	<i>Date of Death.</i>	<i>Age.</i>	<i>Sex.</i>	<i>Cause of Death.</i>
		1883.			
1066	7 August, '79	4 January	21	F	Paralysis.
1080	4 December, '79	25 January	52	M	Bright's disease.
1189	19 July, '82	8 February	60	M	General debility.
1042	27 February, '79	25 February	82	M	Bright's disease.
1089	5 February, '82	13 March	63	M	Pneumonia.
1221	10 January, '83	2 April	32	M	Apoplexy.
1090	1 March, '80	19 April	73	F	Brain disease.
1234	14 April, '83	25 May	81	M	Senile gangrene.
1163	8 December, '81	30 May	40	M	Pneumonia.
39	24 January, '46	2 June	77	F	Disease of the heart.
1236	4 June, '83	13 June	70	M	Apoplexy.
17	14 March, '42	14 June	63	M	Phagedenic ulcer.
1158	16 November, '81	23 June	62	M	Pulmonic apoplexy.
697	16 June, '71	7 July	51	F	Ovarian tumour.
1119	19 November, '80	11 July	66	F	Pneumonia.
895	7 January, '76	11 August	21	F	Epilepsy.
1178	30 March, '82	21 September	38	M	Apoplexy.
1164	10 December, '81	27 September	42	M	Disease of the heart.
1206	24 October, '82	2 October	68	M	Pneumonia.
1116	30 October, '80	20 October	44	M	Epilepsy.
1241	20 July, '83	22 October	58	M	Bronchitis.
1248	20 August, '83	1 November	56	M	Disease of the heart.
1204	19 October, '82	12 November	23	M	Epilepsy.
1250	27 September, '83	17 November	80	M	Debility.
1290	19 July, '82	27 November	73	F	Disease of the heart.
585	5 September, '68	3 December	36	M	Gangrene of lungs.
1177	27 March, '82	6 December	49	M	Paralysis.

W. H. MACFARLANE, *M.B.*, *Superintendent and Medical Officer.*

No. 4.

TABLE showing the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, with the Mean Annual Mortality, and Proportion of Recoveries, &c. per cent. on the Admissions, &c., for the Years 1874 to 1883 inclusive.

Year.	Admitted, including Re-admissions.			Discharged.									Died.			Remaining on the 31st December in each Year.			Average Numbers resident.			Percentage of Cases recovered on Admission.			Percentage of Cases recovered on the Average Numbers resident.			Percentage of Deaths on the Average Numbers resident.		
				RECOVERED.			RELIEVED.			UNIMPROVED.																				
	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.			
1874.....	26	23	49	9	7	16	3	..	3	..	..	..	23	8	31	132	136	268	139.6	130.3	269.9	46.1	30.4	38.7	8.7	5.3	7.03	16.4	6.1	11.4
1875.....	18	21	39	8	8	16	..	..	3	..	..	..	13	12	25	128	136	264	131.1	133.6	264.7	44.4	52.3	48.7	6.1	8.2	7.1	9.9	8.9	9.4
1876.....	35	25	60	8	7	15	2	9	11	..	..	..	20	16	36	132	129	261	131.5	132.1	263.6	26.6	64.	43.3	7.6	12.1	9.8	15.2	12.1	13.6
1877.....	34	11	45	11	4	15	1	3	4	..	..	..	14	11	25	137	124	261	136.2	125.2	261.4	35.2	63.6	42.2	8.8	5.5	7.2	10.2	8.7	9.5
1878.....	19	14	33	5	4	9	2	6	8	..	..	..	16	7	23	135	120	265	140.4	122.3	262.7	36.8	71.4	51.5	4.9	8.1	6.4	11.3	5.7	8.7
1879.....	30	23	53	10	6	16	1	..	1	..	1	1	15	4	19	139	132	271	138.7	125.9	264.6	36.6	26.04	32.07	7.9	4.7	6.4	10.8	3.1	7.1
1880.....	20	16	36	7	5	12	..	4	4	..	1	1	12	7	19	139	131	270	138.3	133.8	272.1	35.	56.2	44.4	5.06	6.7	5.8	8.6	5.2	6.9
1881.....	28	20	48	4	1	5	1	1	2	..	..	..	17	5	22	145	144	289	141.5	137.4	278.9	17.8	10.	14.5	3.5	1.4	2.5	12.10	3.6	7.8
1882.....	32	20	52	9	11	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	21	6	27	147	147	294	142.3	143.07	285.37	28.1	55.	38.4	6.3	7.6	7.3	14.7	4.1	9.4
1883.....	31	16	47	7	8	15	3	2	5	20	7	27	145	144	280	149.3	142.4	291.7	22.6	50.	31.9	4.6	5.6	5.1	13.4	4.9	9.2

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No. 5.

RETURN of Farm Account Sales, 1883.

<i>Date.</i>	<i>Description.</i>	<i>How sold.</i>	<i>Amount.</i>
			£ s. d.
28 February	5 Pigs	By auction	14 19 6
Ditto	5 Pigs	Ditto	16 3 0
Ditto	1 Pig	Ditto	0 4 9
Ditto	1 Cow	Ditto	8 1 6
Ditto	1 Bull	Ditto	7 12 0
16 May	1 Cow	Ditto	3 16 0
16 October	7 Pigs	Ditto	14 2 6
29 October	2 Pigs	By tender	6 10 0
Ditto	Willows	Ditto	1 0 0
			£72 9 3

W. H. MACFARLANE, *M.B., Superintendent & Medical Officer.*

No. 6.

RETURN of Live Stock in the Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, for the Year 1883.

	<i>Horses.</i>	<i>Bulls.</i>	<i>Cows.</i>	<i>Pigs.</i>	<i>Progeny.</i>	
					<i>Calves.</i>	<i>Suckers.</i>
On hand, January 1	3	1	7	11	—	—
Since received	—	1	3	35	3	3
TOTAL	3	2	10	46	3	3
Sold	—	1	2	20	—	—
Died	—	—	—	—	—	—
Killed	—	—	—	11	—	—
Remaining December 31	3	1	8	15	3	3

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No. 7.

RETURN of Articles of Clothing made and repaired by the Patients, Shoemaker, and Tailor in the Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, from 1st January to 31st December, 1883.

<i>ARTICLES.</i>	<i>MADE.</i>		<i>REPAIRED.</i>		<i>ARTICLES.</i>	<i>MADE.</i>		<i>REPAIRED.</i>	
	<i>By Males.</i>	<i>By Females.</i>	<i>By Males.</i>	<i>By Females.</i>		<i>By Males.</i>	<i>By Females.</i>	<i>By Males.</i>	<i>By Females.</i>
Aprons, women's .....	..	80	..	894	Rugs and counterpanes .....	..	..	..	55
Boots, men's, pairs	13	..	181	..	Sheets, linen .....	..	100	..	184
Boots, women's, pairs	6	..	17	..	Shirts, men's .....	..	282	..	1152
Boots, children's, pairs	13	..	8	..	Shifts .....	..	48	..	484
Blinds, window .....	..	3	..	15	Shoes, men's, pairs	1	..	61	..
Blouses, boys', &c. ....	..	9	..	25	Shoes, women's, pairs .....	..	..	80	..
Cases, pillow and holster ..	..	379	..	176	Slippers .....	..	..	20	..
Coats, blue and tweed	5	..	61	..	Stockings .....	..	..	..	1120
Dresses, tweed, winsey, check, and print .....	..	150	..	365	Sox .....	..	..	..	136
Drawers, cotton and flannel ..	..	50	..	125	Towels, hand, round, and bath .....	..	..	48	108
Frocks, linen, men's .....	..	..	..	70	Trousers, fustian	39	..	1417	..
Gowns, night .....	..	60	..	378	Trousers, tweed	21	..	220	..
Jackets, blue cloth and tweed, men's .....	..	..	165	..	Trousers, blue cloth	11	..	..	..
Pinafores .....	..	36	..	20	Trousers, linen .....	..	..	66	..
Petticoats, winsey, serge, and flannel .....	..	12	..	456	Tablecloths .....	..	60	..	28
Miscellaneous, small articles ..	..	..	11	..	Vests, flannel .....	..	54	..	199
Palliasse	12	..	172	Vests, tweed, fustian & cloth ..	18	..	209	..
					Hoods, women's	64	..	502
					Chair-covers	10	..	22

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No. 8.

RETURN of Work performed by Patients in co-operation with the Carpenter and Painter in the Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, for the year 1883.

Carpenter's new Work.—Press for sick ward; shelves for male attendants' room; shutters for windows, female division; 6 sofas; barrow wheels; hay rakes, axe, fork, rake, and hoe handles; baker's peels; pig troughs; wood horses; table and trough for morgue; lids for coppers; chaff box; boxes for latrines; Gentlemen's cottage, window sashes; frames for sinks, &c.; 11 coffins; fowl house; new fence round fowl yard.

Repairs.—Carts; cart wheels; wheel-barrows, constantly; washing and night tubs; close stools; latrines, male and female division; window sashes; cupboards; American and parlour chairs, constantly; door locks; doors in passages; cells, wards, &c. throughout; floors in wards, cells, &c., in all parts of the Asylum; garden house, front gate; roof of kitchen, female division; sofas; mangle, constantly; ladders; fences in all parts kept in order.

Painter.—Two wards, three coats throughout; three doors, two cupboards, iron railing and coping on front wall, front gate and approaches, three coats; fence at Superintendent's quarters; two rooms, Sub-matron's quarters; doors, windows, and skirting-boards at Gentlemen's cottage.

Plumber.—Water laid on to Matron's cottage and morgue, 317 feet of lead piping used, and 34 drain pipes; water pipes, taps, and tin utensils constantly.

Glazier.—Windows and skylights kept in repair.

Colouring.—Kitchen, Superintendent's quarters; two rooms and kitchen, Matron's quarters; two rooms and kitchen, Gentleman's cottage; front wall and back division.

Bricklayer.—Fireplaces, drains, &c. in all parts.

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No. 9.

RETURN of Farm and Garden Produce at the Hospital for the Insane, New Norfolk, for the year 1883.

61,150 lbs. of English Grass.	3 bushels Beans, French.
6150 lbs. of Italian ditto.	2320 lbs. Carrots.
6000 lbs. of Green Barley.	3330 lbs. Parsnips.
20 tons of Hay, Oats, and Barley.	2800 lbs. Onions.
3 tons Hay, English.	2720 lbs. Pumpkins and Marrows.
25 tons Mangolds.	416½ doz. Cabbages.
30 bushels Peas, Green.	375 doz. Eggs.
18 bushels Peas, Dry.	44,930 pints Milk.

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