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**LAUNCESTON INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR
GIRLS :**

REPORT FOR 1881.

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LAUNCESTON INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT, 1881.

IN presenting the Fifth Annual Report of the Industrial School for Girls to the subscribers and friends of the Institution, the Committee have pleasure in recording with satisfaction the work and progress of the past year. It is not to be expected that anything very great or striking would occur in the quiet routine of the ordinary working of such a School, but much has been done and taught to prepare the girls for useful domestic service in after life. A steady onward progress is manifest in the conduct shown and the work done. There has been good moral training and, in general, a ready observance of rules in carrying out the instructions of the Matron and the Ladies' Committee. The sums earned by needlework, laundry, &c. show that the training in these departments is telling in forming useful domestic servants; whilst the intelligence of the girls shown at the annual examination in general knowledge, writing, &c., is very encouraging to the Matron, teacher, and those ladies who have taken an interest in their instruction. Very satisfactory reports from their mistresses are received of the two girls who have been placed in situations, and applications for others are coming in, which will be attended to as soon as the interests of the School will permit.

There are now in the School 19 girls, and it is found that the building is too small in which to carry on the work; in addition to this the Committee have received notice to quit, as the premises are required for other purposes. In these circumstances a piece of ground has been purchased in Welman-street on which to erect a suitable School, and the Committee are anxious to proceed with the building. With this view they have made an appeal to the public for pecuniary help, to which it is hoped there will be a liberal response. If the public will only consider the bearing of such an Institution upon the future well-being of a great number of those taught and prepared for useful domestic service, it must be manifest that it deserves the most generous support. Now is the time that efficient help is required by contributions towards the new building.

The business of the School is conducted in the most economical manner, and the current expenses have been hitherto met by contributions, sums collected by the Ladies' Committee, the Government allowance, and the money earned by the girls in the school by needlework and laundry work.

The health of the School upon the whole has been good. Two cases of scarlet fever have occurred, which were removed to the Hospital, and all are now in good health.

Thanks are specially due to Dr. Hardy for his gratuitous attendance and unremitting care of the girls in the School, and of Lizzie Grainger in particular, whom he attended for a lengthened period in the School, and subsequently for seven months in the Hospital.

The experience of the past year has shown the need of this Institution in Northern Tasmania by the cases which have been admitted, either on personal application or the direction of magistrates. As the results of the training in the School become manifest its importance in the community is acknowledged, and the Committee trust, under the Divine blessing, to see it increase in favour and usefulness.

MARGT. ELIZTH. GILMORE, *President.*
MARIA C. GLEADOW, *Secretary.*

THE LAUNCESTON FEMALE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL in account with the Treasurer.

1881-2.	Dr.	£ s. d.	Cr.	£ s. d.
To Subscriptions and donations.....		178 4 4	By balance from last account	33 19 6
Government subsidy		73 0 0	Cash paid provisions.....	109 18 0
Washing and work done by the girls...		53 11 3	Ditto clothing	29 11 7
Donation box		0 11 7	Ditto soap, starch, and kerosene	8 16 6
Instalments from parents		18 9 6	Ditto fuel	9 18 6
Discounts on accounts		4 2 10	Ditto furniture	4 17 6
			Ditto furnishing.....	9 16 10
			Ditto stationery and stamps	0 17 7
			Ditto printing and advertising	3 14 0
			Ditto repairs and fencing	4 2 9
			Ditto sundries	4 1 8
			Ditto rent	26 5 0
			Ditto Matron's salary.....	37 10 0
			Ditto Assistant's salary	15 0 0
			Ditto interest account.....	2 5 6
			Balance in bank	27 4 7
		<u>£327 19 6</u>		<u>£327 19 6</u>

BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT.

Dr.	£ s. d.	1881.	Cr.	£ s. d.
To fixed deposit in Bank of Australasia with accrued interest to April 30, 1881	286 17 7	Dec. 20—By cash paid account building allotment	65 0 0	
Accrued interest from April 30, 1881, to January 13th, 1882.....	6 12 9	Balance to credit of fund ...	228 10 4	
	<u>£293 10 4</u>			<u>£293 10 4</u>

F. STANFIELD, *Treasurer.*
Launceston, 13th January, 1882.

Examined and found correct.

F. LAKIN, }
MATT. TYSON, } *Auditors.*