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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

BRICKFIELDS PAUPER ESTABLISHMENT.

REPORT FOR 1869.

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ANNUAL REPORT of the BRICKFIELDS PAUPER ESTABLISHMENT, 1869.

SIR,

WE have the honor to lay before the Government the Annual Report of this Institution for the year ending 31st December, 1869.

The average daily number of Invalids during the year was 220 ; the expense of their maintenance £3028 16s., or £13 15s. 4½d. per annum, or 9½d. per diem for each inmate.

The produce of the Garden (worked entirely by the invalids) for the last year was 30,808 lbs. of vegetables, showing a slight decrease upon the returns of previous years, owing to the wet and bad season.

The new Mess-room has at length been completed at the cost of £180, and affords ample accommodation for the men at meal-times, besides enabling the Board to make other arrangements conducive to the health and comfort of the inmates. The dimensions of the room are 85 x 30 feet.

The Institution has been visited by His Excellency the Governor, and by several gentlemen of this and the other Colonies, during the year.

Readings, Concerts, and other amusements have been given during the year ; and the Board desires to thank the several ladies and gentlemen who kindly assisted at those Entertainments, and all who have contributed to the pleasure or amusement of the inmates by gifts of books, newspapers, &c. for the use of the Institution.

The different Ministers of Religion have been most diligent in imparting religious instruction to the members of their respective creeds.

The Board has much pleasure in bearing testimony to the efficient and satisfactory discharge of his duties by the Superintendent.

The strength of the Establishment on the 1st January, 1869, was 214; received during the year 177; total 391: discharged 141; died 30; total 171: remaining 1st January, 1870, 220. Average age of those who died, 69½ years,—the oldest being 83, and the youngest 55. The average age of those remaining, 69,—the oldest 92, and the youngest 26.

ALFRED KENNERLEY, *Chairman.*
HENRY HUNTER.
HENRY COOK.
GEO. SALIER.
STEPN. SHEEHY.

To the Honorable the Colonial Secretary.