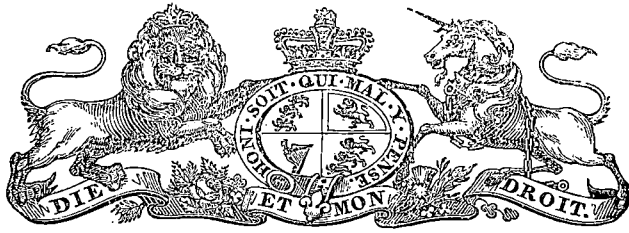


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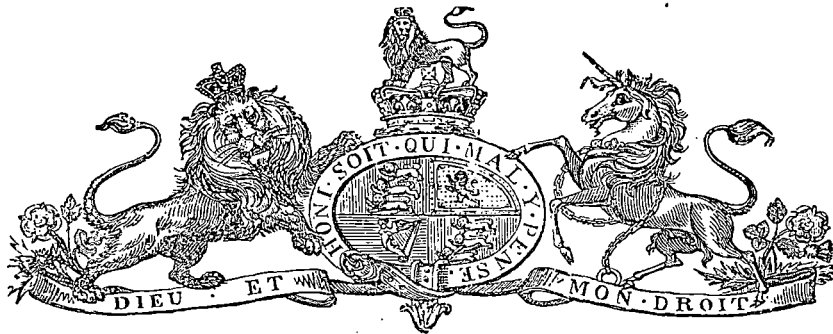
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GENERAL HOSPITAL, HOBART:

REPORT FOR **1886.**

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GENERAL HOSPITAL, HOBART.

ANNUAL REPORT, 1886.

SIR,

IN accordance with the Rules of the Hobart General Hospital, I have the honor to lay before you the following Annual Report, containing such tabulated and other information as will, I trust, fully exhibit the working of that Institution during the past year.

2. Seventeen Board and sixty-four Committee meetings were held during the year, at all of which the attendance of Members was, without exception, good; while during the same period the Honorary Medical Staff made about nine hundred and fifty visits to the wards of the Hospital.

3. The annual cost of each occupied bed in 1878 was £82 14s. 5d.; in 1879, £72 13s. 6½d.; 1880, £64 6s. 0½d.; 1881, £68 11s. 1d.; 1882, £68 3s. 6d.; 1883, £68 11s. 10d.; 1884, £68 3s.; 1885, £67 15s.; and for the past year, £68 12s. 5d.

4. It is satisfactory to note that during the past few years the amount of money received from patients who were able either in whole or in part to pay for their maintenance in Hospital has shown a steady upward tendency. In 1882, £222 16s. 11d. was collected; in 1883, £470 1s. 2d. was collected; in 1884, £593 5s. 8d. was collected; in 1885, £613 8s. was collected; and for the past year £789 12s. 3d. has been collected.

5. The new Hospital for the treatment of infectious and other diseases, completed and opened for the reception of patients in the month of April, 1884, continues to give great satisfaction; its adaptation to the objects for which it was designed appearing to be as perfect as could be desired.

6. The block of buildings referred to in my last Annual Report as being in progress in Argyle-street, and which it was anticipated would cost about £5000, is now completed, and ready for occupation. These buildings consist of Secretary's quarters, Dispensary, Board Room, Secretary's Office, House Surgeon's Office, and complete suite of rooms for carrying on the out-door relief department of the Hospital.

7. In furtherance of the views entertained by the Board of Management, and fully participated in by the Government,—namely, the desirability of securing ample space for the present and future requirements of the General Hospital,—an additional allotment of land was purchased fronting on Campbell-street, the Government thus acquiring possession of the entire square, with the exception of one strip of property fronting on Liverpool-street. That it is desirable to secure the whole square for Hospital purposes admits of no doubt; and keeping in view the permanent character of the buildings already erected, and the vast improvements thereby effected within the last few years, no further argument is needed to urge the consideration of this matter on the attention of Government. In 1885 plans were submitted to the Government, and approved, for the erection of a block of buildings on a portion of the Campbell-street ground. This block was to consist of a morgue suitable for the wants of the City and the Hospital, also a suite of separate apartments for the control and observation of females suffering from mental derangement, also accommodation for ambulance, &c., together with rooms intended for storage purposes, and a covered airing-court for convalescents. A contract was accepted by the Government for this work in the beginning of the year, and the whole is now drawing to completion, and will soon be ready for occupation, thus supplying a want long and painfully experienced.

8. During the past year many improvements of importance have been effected. In the main building the whole of the old floors were removed and replaced by new pine floors; substantial stone mantelpieces have been added to the whole of the fireplaces; an entire set of new baths, enamelled sinks, &c., of the best description have been received from London and fitted up in this building, so as to meet every want for which they were intended. The new Dispensary, Secretary's Office, House Surgeon's Office, new Board Room, and suite of rooms for the reception and examination of out-door patients, accidents, &c., are all vast improvements on the past state of things, requiring only to be seen to secure general appreciation. But while recounting with satisfaction the progress thus achieved, it must not be forgotten that much yet remains to be done. Old buildings have to be removed, boundary fences erected, grounds levelled, laid out, and planted, and, above all immediate wants, that of a new kitchen is the most pressing; second to that, and of equal importance, is the erection of a suitable block of buildings, with airing-court, for the control and management of males suffering from mental derangement. The present accommodation for this class of patients is not only defective in many respects, but, in the now altered state of things, badly placed on the

grounds, and with only a very limited space for airing and recreation purposes; and now that ample space is available on the newly acquired ground, no time should be lost in remedying this very serious evil—a blot, in fact, which, notwithstanding all our modern improvements, still exhibits a painful connecting link with the cell system of the past. Under these circumstances it is evident that more money will have to be provided. I therefore take the liberty to express an earnest hope that the Government will urge on Parliament the necessity for such additional supplies as will enable these works to be carried out.

I now append a comparative statement of certain statistics of 1885 and 1886 :—

	1885.	1886.
Number of diets issued to in-patients	28,222	28,093
Average stay in Hospital of each patient.....	29·43 days	25·7
Average daily number of in-patients.....	77·32	76·96
Number of diets issued to staff	3285	3285

The following Synopsis, comprehending the total cost of every branch of the Hospital Service, will fully elucidate the entire working of the Institution :—

A.

<i>Situations.</i>	<i>Yearly Salary.</i>	<i>Remarks.</i>
	£ s. d.	
House Surgeon	350 0 0	Also quarters, fuel, and light.
Assistant House Surgeon.....	250 0 0	Ditto.
Secretary, House Steward, &c.	225 0 0	£50 in lieu of quarters, ditto.
Day and Night Porters, £50 each.....	100 0 0	} Also rations, quarters, fuel, and light.
Gardener, £57 4s.; Cook, £60	117 4 0	
Wardsman, £91 5s.; Bathman, £65 4s.	150 9 0	
Barber.....	13 0 0	
Cook's Assistant	35 0 0	} Also a personal ration, quarters.
Dispensary Attendant	27 7 6	
Messenger	82 2 8	
Lady Superintendent	150 0 0	
Nurses.....	404 17 6	} For investigating the circumstances of the out-door patients.
Servants and Cleaners (11).....	275 0 0	
Cook and Laundress, £30 each	60 0 0	
Registrar Benevolent Society.....	52 10 0	

RECAPITULATION.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Salaries of Officers, including the Lady Superintendent	1000 0 0	
Ditto of Nursing Staff	455 13 3	
Ditto Female Servants.....	335 0 0	
Ditto Male ditto	531 3 0	
		2321 16 3
Allowances.....	...	72 9 4

B.

	1885.	TOTAL.	1886.	TOTAL.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Salaries	2222 11 6		2321 16 3	
Allowances	102 10 0		72 9 4	
Provisions and Medical Comforts	2358 17 5		2136 11 0	
Fuel and Light	540 17 3		534 16 7	
Medicines and Surgical Appliances	332 15 9		275 8 11	
Clothing, Bedding, and Stores	758 19 0		450 17 2	
Stationery	30 1 8		23 0 2	
Funeral Expenses.....	67 10 0		65 14 6	
Washing.....	236 19 9		265 1 9	
Repairs to Buildings	196 3 4		338 6 11	
Cleansing, &c.....	19 10 0		19 10 0	
Petty Expenses	19 11 5		19 9 2	
Advertising	18 19 2		20 7 8	
Furniture	...		179 13 0	
Uniform for Nurses	50 0 0		52 1 4	
Commission on Collection of Fees.....	44 1 11		62 16 0	
	6999 8 2		7053 9 9	
For Medicines, &c. supplied to other Establishments	50 0 0		50 0 0	
Sums received from self-supporting Patients and other sources	613 8 0		801 12 3	
Net Expenditure	...	6336 0 2	...	6201 17 6

TOTAL Cost of all Articles of Diet, including Stimulants and Extras, supplied to the General Hospital, Hobart, during the Year 1886. (The Diets of the Male Attendants are included in this Return.)

The items during 1885 are given for comparison.

Article.	Amount, 1886.	Amount, 1885.	Article.	Amount, 1886.	Amount, 1885.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d. £ s. d.	£ s. d. £ s. d.
Bread	132 19 10	143 4 6	Sausages	3 12 8	...
Milk	363 11 0	357 10 8	Preserved Milk..	11 5 0	10 16 2
Meat	516 1 6	562 4 7	Candied Peel.....	...	0 5 0
Potatoes	34 7 1	18 15 3	Fowls	12 5 0	0 12 6
Butter	181 6 3	172 3 9	Jelly	2 5 6	0 9 0
Rice	22 16 2	19 18 8	Biscuits.....	1 3 2	2 17 3
Oatmeal	13 2 6	11 6 8	Apples, &c.	...	...
Oysters	...	1 17 6	Lemons.....	1 4 0	2 14 6
Aerated Waters...	37 4 0	37 11 0	Tea	26 6 1	38 14 1
Fish	80 16 6	76 17 9	Sugar	32 12 2	36 5 5
Vegetables	25 1 2	25 7 6	Flour.....	1 5 8	1 8 0
Allspice	0 10 6	0 15 0	Provisions for		
Barley.....	3 10 0	5 12 0	Nurses and Fe-		
Cocoa	8 15 0	11 1 8	male Servants	551 13 0	544 4 0
Coffee	2 5 4	2 6 6	Sundries, Car-		
Eggs	98 10 8	75 7 6	tage of Pro-		
Jam	3 13 4	4 3 9	visions, &c.	2 1 6	0 13 11
Maizena	1 0 2	1 4 0		2197 13 7	2185 3 8
Mustard	0 9 9	0 11 8	Champagne	5 8 0	1 16 0
Pepper	0 16 0	0 16 0	Wine, Port	34 5 2	29 6 3
Sago	1 5 0	1 5 0	Gin	0 15 0	1 12 6
Salt	1 9 0	1 3 6	Brandy	30 1 9	10 3 0
Vinegar	0 4 8	0 3 6	Ale, draught.....	...	...
Sugar, white,	0 16 3	0 17 6	Ale, bottled	82 7 6	63 18 0
(special)			Stout, bottled ...		63 18 0
Ice	5 12 7	...	Whisky.....	1 10 0	3 0 0
Bacon	11 6 8	13 18 0		154 7 5	173 13 9
Raisins	0 3 6	0 5 10			
Currants	0 2 9	0 4 10			
Tobacco	2 1 8	...		£2352 1 0	£2358 17 5
Arrowroot	2 1 0	...			

IN-PATIENTS.

RETURN showing Monthly Numbers during the past Year, with the Figures for 1885 given for comparison.

	ADMITTED.		DISCHARGED.		DIED.	
	1886.	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.	1885.
January	79	78	78	64	3	12
February	78	77	65	56	11	5
March	84	68	76	60	15	9
April	72	72	78	72	7	6
May.....	76	71	62	74	7	7
June	81	70	74	53	12	5
July.....	87	67	69	62	10	10
August	68	85	72	80	11	3
September	108	77	67	71	6	8
October	89	73	87	63	10	9
November	96	74	97	67	10	7
December	92	79	77	62	7	11
TOTAL	1010	891	902	784	109	92

Number remaining in Hospital on 1st January, 1886 83

Admitted since 1010

Total Patients treated..... 1093

Number discharged during 1886 902

Number died during 1886..... 109

Number remaining in Hospital on 1st January, 1887 78

1089

IN-PATIENTS.

RETURN of Diseases treated during 1886.

<i>Miasmatic Diseases—</i>		<i>Nervous System Diseases—continued.—</i>	
Measles	1	Paralysis	7
Scarlatina	1	Insanity	36
Diphtheria	26	Chorea	2
Quinsy	6	Epilepsy	10
Croup	4	Hysteria	10
Typhoid Fever	25	Brain Diseases	3
Continued Fever	6	Neuralgia	1
Erysipelas	1	Eye Diseases	30
Dysentery	2	Ear Diseases	1
Diarrhœa	1	Diseases of Spinal Cord	3
Ague	2	Tetanus	3
Rheumatic Fever	5	Cephalalgia	2
Rheumatism	50	Locomotor Ataxy	2
Lumbago	5	Delirious Mania	2
Sciatica	1	Nervous Debility	1
	—	Sunstroke	4
<i>Total Miasmatic</i>	136	Idiocy	3
		<i>Total Nervous</i>	129
<i>Enthetic Diseases—</i>		<i>Circulatory Diseases—</i>	
Local Syphilis	2	Aneurism	1
Gonorrhœa	7	Pericarditis	1
Stricture of the Urethra	22	Valvular Heart Diseases	17
Constitutional Syphilis	6	Other Organic Diseases	4
Urinary Fistula	3	Functional Diseases	5
	—	Phlebitis	2
<i>Total Enthetic</i>	40	Anæmia	7
		Chlorosis	4
<i>Dietic Diseases—</i>		Varyx	1
Privation	1	Hæmorrhoids	1
Purpura	1	Epistaxis	1
Delirium Tremens	8		—
Chronic Alcoholism	42	<i>Total Circulatory System</i>	44
Alcoholic Coma and Mania	4		
	—		
<i>Total Dietic</i>	56		
<i>Parasitic Diseases—</i>		<i>Respiratory System Diseases—</i>	
Hydatid	2	Laryngitis	1
	—	Bronchitis	44
<i>Total Parasitic</i>	2	Pleurisy	4
		Pneumonia	59
<i>Diathetic Diseases—</i>		Lung Congestion	2
Cancer	8	Asthma	8
Epithelioma	9	Emphysema	1
Tumor	2	Pleuro-pneumonia	2
Gangrene	1	Disease of Lungs	1
Lupus	3		—
Sarcoma	3	<i>Total Respiratory</i>	122
	—		
<i>Total Diathetic</i>	26		
<i>Tubercular Diseases—</i>		<i>Digestive System Diseases—</i>	
Scrofula	1	Disease of Gums	1
Tabes Mesenterica	1	Disease of Pharynx	1
Phthisis Pulmonalis	42	Enteritis	1
Hæmoptysis	3	Peritonitis	1
Tuberculosis	1	Ulceration of Intestines	1
Lymphadenoma	1	Ulcer of Stomach	4
	—	Hernia	6
<i>Total Tubercular</i>	49	Neus	8
		Stomach Diseases	2
<i>Nervous System Diseases—</i>		Dyspepsia	20
Meningitis	3	Stricture of Œsophagus	1
Apoplexy	6	Constipation	2
		Cirrhosis of Liver	9
		Jaundice	3
		Liver Disease	8

Digestive System—continued.

Fissure in Ano	1
Follicular Tonsillitis	6
<i>Total Digestive</i>	75

Urinary System—

Nephritis	11
Chronic Bright's Disease	7
Uræmic Convulsions	1
Cystitis	2
Bladder Diseases	4
Prostrate Gland Diseases	4
Stone in Bladder	3
Hæmorrhage from Kidney	4
<i>Total Urinary</i>	36

Generative System—

Hydrocele	1
Orchitis	6
Misplacement of Uterus	2
Ulceration of Uterus	1
Diseases of Vagina	4
Diseases of Uterus	4
Diseases of Ovaries	1
Pelvic Peritonitis	1
<i>Total Generative</i>	20

Locomotive System Diseases—

Arthritis	1
Rheumatic Arthritis	4
Synovitis	9
Bursitis	3
Periostitis	1
Ostitis	1
Necrosis	4
Caries	2
Joint Diseases	12
Morbus Coxæ	1
Spinal Curvature	3
<i>Total Locomotive</i>	41

Integumentary System—

Phlegmon	1
Cellulitis	1
Whitlow	2

Integumentary System—continued.

Ulcer	38
Abscess	28
Skin Diseases	24
Inflamed Gland	2
<i>Total Integumentary</i>	93

Developmental Diseases—

Of Children—Talipes	3
Of Adults—Amenorrhœa	2
Before Childbirth	2
Childbirth	2
After Childbirth	3
Of Old Age—Old Age	8
Of Nutrition—Debility	9
<i>Total Developmental</i>	29

Accident—

Fractures—Skull	2
Pelvis	1
Femur	12
Tib and Fibul	9
Fibula	5
Humerus	3
Forearm	5
Clavicle	4
Rib	7
Patella	6
Compound	19
Contusions and Crushes	32
Cut or Torn Wounds	26
Gunshot Wounds	5
Burns and Scalds	13
Poison	2
Drowning	2
Animal Bite	2
Concussion	6
Sprain	13
Dislocations	6
Ditto, Compound	1
Foreign Bodies	1
Injuries of the Eye	2
<i>Total Accidents</i>	184

Suicide—

Cuts or Stabs	2
Poison	5
<i>Total Suicide</i>	7

Total specified causes1089

Total unspecified causes 4

Total all causes1093

IN-PATIENTS.

Particulars of Deaths during 1886.

NUMBER.	MALE OR FEMALE.	AGE.	DAYS IN HOSPITAL.	POST MORTEM MADE OR NOT.	CAUSES OF DEATH.
1	M	20	9	—	Morbus cordis.
2	M	27	418	Yes.	Phthisis—Hæmoptysis—Dropsy.
3	F	67	$\frac{1}{4}$	—	Pneumonia.
4	M	38	$\frac{1}{2}$	—	Phthisis.
5	M	6	1	—	Croup.
6	M	32	8	—	Phthisis.
7	M	68	5	—	Acute Pneumonia.
8	M	60	13	—	Valvular disease of heart.
9	M	50	47	—	Sarcoma of upper jaw.
10	M	66	54	Yes.	Hæmoptysis—Phthisis.
11	F	61	3	—	Senile decay.
12	F	28	$\frac{1}{4}$	—	Pneumonia.
13	F	39	1	—	Epilepsy—Congestion of brain.
14	M	31	42	Yes.	Cirrhosis of liver—Pneumonia.
15	M	60	9	Yes.	Nephritis—Uræmia.
16	F	32	34	—	Chronic Bright's disease.
17	M	61	2	—	Pneumonia.
18	M	71	27	—	Apoplexy.
19	M	15	8	—	Typhoid Fever.
20	M	54	$\frac{1}{2}$	—	Acute Pneumonia.
21	M	50	2	Yes.	Strangulated umbilical hernia.
22	F	70	150	Yes.	Fracture Femur—Exhaustion.
23	M	67	$\frac{1}{2}$	—	Apoplexy.
24	F	30	28	—	Cancer of uterus.
25	M	34	9	—	Chronic Phthisis.
26	M	41	78	—	Cirrhosis of liver—Ascites.
27	M	74	19	—	Acute Bright's disease.
28	M	30	19	—	Typhoid Fever.
29	M	70	34	Yes.	Cancer of stomach—Intestinal obstruction.
30	F	55	11	—	Morbus cordis—Bright's disease.
31	M	58	$\frac{1}{2}$	—	Ulcer leg—Morbus cordis—Exhaustion.
32	F	13	4	—	Cerebro-spinal meningitis.
33	M	18	6	—	Crushed finger—Tetanus.
34	F	18	7	—	Acute meningitis.
35	F	24	26	—	Typhoid fever—Miscarriage—Hæmorrhage.
36	F	41	24	—	Phthisis.
37	M	80	31	—	Morbus cordis—Senile decay.
38	F	11	30	—	Rheumatic fever—Suppuration.
39	M	35	8	Yes.	Enteritis.
40	M	70	10	—	Acute pneumonia.
41	M	15	2	—	Typhoid fever.
42	M	71	31	Yes.	Cancer penis—Pleurisy.
43	F	66	19	—	Pneumonia—Bright's disease.
44	M	18	9	—	Gunshot wound of foot—Tetanus.
45	M	65	$\frac{3}{4}$	Yes.	Cancer of stomach—Intestinal obstruction.
46	M	60	6	—	Pneumonia.
47	M	71	20	—	Senile decay.
48	F	47	10	—	Valvular disease of heart.
49	M	71	14	—	Cirrhosis of liver.
50	F	30	5	—	Cirrhosis of liver.
51	M	30	11	—	Pericarditis—Nephritis.
52	M	5	12	—	Acute Tuberculosis.
53	M	13	$\frac{1}{4}$	Yes.	Compound fracture of skull.
54	M	72	4	—	Gangrene of foot—Senile decay.
55	M	30	$\frac{1}{2}$	—	Burns—Fracture of skull.
56	M	69	$\frac{3}{4}$	Yes.	Cardiac dilatation.
57	M	68	4	—	Pneumonia.
58	M	29	28	—	Cirrhosis of liver.
59	M	47	98	—	Acute pneumonia.
60	M	17	35	—	Acute phthisis.
61	M	45	12	—	Cirrhosis of liver—Ascites.
62	F	35	47	—	Phthisis.

NUMBER.	MALE OR FE- MALE.	AGE.	DAYS IN HOSPITAL.	POST MORTEM MADE OR NOT.	CAUSES OF DEATH.
63	M	49	92	—	Cerebral tumour.
64	M	68	$\frac{1}{2}$	—	Pneumonia.
65	M	67	21	—	Morbus cordis.
66	F	48	11	—	Pneumonia.
67	F	53	10	—	Nephritis.
68	F	25	46	Yes.	Enteric fever.
69	F	30	24	—	Pneumonia.
70	F	36	$\frac{1}{2}$	Yes.	Morbus cordis.
71	M	72	31	—	Morbus cordis.
72	M	63	152	—	Phthisis.
73	M	76	8	—	Morbus cordis—Nephritis.
74	M	5	$1\frac{1}{2}$	—	Croup.
75	M	56	6	—	Phthisis.
76	F	53	45	—	Fracture femur—Exhaustion.
77	F	22	4	—	Ulcer of stomach—Perforation.
78	M	83	9	—	Senile decay.
79	M	43	38	—	Nephritis—Asthma—Uræmia.
80	M	70	4	Yes.	Cancer of liver.
81	M	53	$1\frac{1}{2}$	Yes.	Apoplexy.
82	M	90	$\frac{3}{4}$	—	Burns of arms.
83	M	76	6	—	Burns.
84	M	44	26	—	Cirrhosis of liver.
85	F	27	85	—	Phthisis.
86	M	86	6	—	Hemiplegia.
87	M	77	105	Yes.	Fracture neck of femur—Exhaustion.
88	F	70	$\frac{3}{4}$	—	Morbus cordis.
89	F	40	7	—	Cirrhosis—Jaundice.
90	F	80	4	—	Erysipelas—Apoplexy.
91	M	23	18	—	Enteric fever.
92	F	6	10	—	Diphtheria.
93	M	67	$1\frac{1}{2}$	—	Pneumonia.
94	F	67	$\frac{1}{4}$	—	Apoplexy.
95	M	17	5	—	Crushed fingers—Tetanus.
96	M	6	4	—	Diphtheria.
97	M	72	3	—	Burns by phosphorus.
98	F	70	$\frac{3}{4}$	—	Morbus cordis.
99	M	65	14	—	Erysipelas—Exhaustion.
100	F	24	5	—	Diphtheria.
101	F	30	7	Yes.	Pneumonia.
102	M	77	10	—	Pneumonia.
103	F	85	37	—	Senile decay.
104	M	24	$\frac{1}{2}$	—	Meningitis.
105	F	50	$\frac{1}{2}$	Yes.	Strangulated hernia.
106	F	42	57	—	Ovarian tumour—Exhaustion.
107	M	38	$1\frac{1}{2}$	—	Enteric fever.
108	M	45	8	—	Cirrhosis of liver.
109	M	—	$1\frac{3}{4}$	—	Concussion of brain.

Deaths, 109. Post-mortem examination, 19.

RETURN showing the Expenditure in Drugs, Druggists' Sundries, and Surgical Instruments during each of the last Seven Years.—The articles are charged in the year during which they were received.

YEAR.	Drugs and Sundries obtained from England.	Surgical Instru- ments obtained from England.	Storekeeper's Charges for Freight, &c.	Drugs, &c. ob- tained on contract from local chemist when deficiencies occurred.	Total Expenditure for the Year.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1879.....	285 17 10	96 2 6	37 16 7	115 15 9	535 12 8
1880.....	272 9 4	37 13 3	15 5 11	145 18 4	471 6 10
1881*	175 16 2	44 3 9	38 15 3	131 9 7	390 4 9
1882.....	261 18 0	61 8 2	26 8 5	61 1 11½	410 16 6½
1883.....	247 6 3	44 2 11	20 0 0	73 10 7½	384 19 9½
1884†	206 6 2	85 7 2	24 6 2	26 9 11½	342 9 5
1885.....	235 15 1	37 17 9	27 7 9	31 15 2½	332 15 9
1886.....	165 1 8	29 7 2	..	81 0 1	275 8 11

* During this year the Hospital ceased to supply the Invalid Depôts.

† At the end of this year the Hospital ceased to supply the Gaol.

Amount credited to the Hospital for supplying Drugs, &c. during the year to the Government Medical Officer's patients.....	£ s. d. 50 0 0
Total amount expended during 1886 when credits have been deducted.....	225 8 11
Amount placed on estimates under this head.....	300 0 0
Decrease on estimate.....	74 11 1

OUT-PATIENTS.

RETURN showing the Monthly Numbers during the past Year, with the Figures for 1885 for comparison.

	NEW OUT-PATIENTS.		CASUALTIES.		TOTAL ATTENDANCES.	
	1886.	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.	1885.
January	122	126	44	50	390	444
February.....	108	105	31	59	365	442
March.....	116	106	30	43	430	434
April.....	113	129	29	51	448	482
May.....	116	113	26	56	472	568
June.....	134	112	22	30	467	515
July.....	126	132	33	39	495	559
August.....	123	110	39	31	475	538
September.....	129	136	41	42	511	608
October.....	105	107	46	47	483	471
November.....	116	65	50	41	549	426
December.....	109	78	57	31	508	377
TOTAL.....	1417	1319	448	520	5593	5864

DISPENSARY PATIENTS.

	1886.	1885.
Number of orders for medicine received from the Government Medical Officer attending the poor in their own homes, and from Practitioners prescribing gratuitously.....	599	617
Number of prescriptions made up for the above.....	1375	884

OUT-PATIENTS.

RETURN of Diseases treated during 1886, including new Cases, Accidents, and Casualties.

Miasmatic Diseases.

Tonsillitis	17
Typhoid Fever	1
Simple Fever	8
Erysipelas	5
Boil	2
Dysentery	6
Whooping Cough	27
Catarrh	41
Diarrhœa	35
Rheumatism	57
Lumbago	2
Ague	2
<i>Total Miasmatic</i>	202

Enthetic Diseases.

Syphilis	20
Gonorrhœa	11
Stricture of Urethra	4
<i>Total Enthetic</i>	35

Dietic Diseases.

Intemperance	2
Goitre	1
<i>Total Dietic</i>	3

Parasitic Diseases.

Thrush	7
Worms	24
<i>Total Parasitic</i>	31

Diathetic Diseases.

Cancer	2
Tumour	8
<i>Total Diathetic</i>	10

Tubercular Diseases.

Scrofula	27
Tabes Mesenterica	3
Phthisis	39
Hæmoptysis	1
Abscesses	27
<i>Total Tubercular</i>	97

Nervous System Diseases.

Paralysis	5
Chorea	1
Epilepsy	21
Convulsions	7
Hysteria	2
Nervous Asthenia	18
Neuralgia	29
Vertigo	11
Eye Diseases	39
Ear Diseases	8
Locomotor Ataxy	1
Headache	9
<i>Total Nervous</i>	151

Organs of Circulation Diseases.

Morbis Cordis	39
Aneurism	1
Anæmia	16
Varix	4
Phlebitis	1
Epistaxis	1
Angina Pectoris	2
Chlorosis	1
Hæmorrhoids	1
<i>Total Circulatory</i>	66

Respiratory System Diseases.

Laryngitis	4
Bronchitis	146
Pleurisy	4
Pneumonia	11
Congestion of Lungs	1
Asthma	9
Lung Diseases	4
Cough	5
<i>Total Respiratory</i>	184

Digestive Organs Diseases.

Gastritis	5
Enteritis	1
Hernia	14
Ileus	3
Constipation	20
Dyspepsia	35
Stomach Diseases	25
Lymphatic Diseases	2
Glandular Diseases	9
Tongue Diseases	2
Parotitis	1
Sore Throat	1
Teeth Diseases	33
Jaundice	2
Gallstone	2
Liver Disease	14
<i>Total Digestive</i>	269

Urinary Organs Diseases.

Nephritis	3
Nephria	7
Gravel	2
Cystitis	9
Prostatic Diseases	3
<i>Total Urinary</i>	24

Organs of Generation Diseases.

Of Ovaries and Uterus	19
Hydrocele	1
Orchitis	6
Leucorrhœa	8
Vaginitis	2
<i>Total Generative</i>	36

<i>Locomotive System Diseases.</i>			<i>Nutrition.</i>		
Synovitis.....	2		Debility	16	
Bursitis	3		Marasmus	3	
Ganglion.....	1				
Joint Disease.....	11		<i>Total Nutritive</i>	<i>19</i>	
Caries	1				
Rheumatic Arthritis	2				
Ostitis.....	2				
<i>Total Locomotive.....</i>	<i>22</i>				
<i>Integumentary System Diseases.</i>			<i>Accident or Negligence.</i>		
Cellulitis.....	5		Fractures	37	
Whitlow	10		Contusions	104	
Ulcer	38		Wounds—Gunshot.....	7	
Skin Diseases.....	90		Cuts.....	239	
Ozæna.....	1		Burns	11	
Sebaceous Cyst	1		Scalds	5	
Chilblain	2		Poisoning	2	
<i>Total Integumentary.....</i>	<i>147</i>		Bites of insect	2	
			Drowning	1	
<i>Developmental Diseases.</i>			Foreign Bodies	20	
Of Children—Malformations	3		" in Nose.....	1	
Teething.....	14		" in Ear	1	
Of Adults—Paramenia.....	24		Concussion	2	
Before Parturition	2		Wounds of Eye	10	
After Parturition	1		Dislocations	18	
Of Old People—Old Age.....	3		Gunpowder Accidents	2	
<i>Total Developmental.....</i>	<i>47</i>		Dog Bites	5	
			Sprains	42	
			Fish-hooks	15	
			Sunstroke	1	
			<i>Total Accidental</i>	<i>512</i>	
			Specified Causes.....	1855	
			Causes uncertified	10	
			<i>All Causes</i>	<i>1865</i>	

The following Return shows the gross Expenditure on the General Hospital for the 10 years over which it extends; but it should be remarked that the amount includes £3000 or upwards for repairs and alterations to buildings during the same period :—

YEAR.	PATIENTS ADMITTED.	PATIENTS DISCHARGED.	PATIENTS DIED.	PATIENTS REMAINING 31st DECEMBER.	COST OF ESTABLISHMENT.		
					£	s.	d.
1877.....	1334	1207	149	86	7390	8	9
1878.....	1044	955	105	70	6864	9	11
1879.....	1031	944	82	75	6355	3	9
1880.....	1054	945	104	80	6323	6	4
1881.....	941	873	98	50	6077	7	5
1882.....	991	887	107	59	5733	6	10
1883.....	1065	957	101	71	6760	4	6
1884.....	946	848	101	68	7162	4	1
1885.....	891	784	92	83	6999	8	2
1886.....	1010	902	109	78	7053	9	9

NOTE.—The receipts from self-supporting patients and other sources are not deducted in any of these years.

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