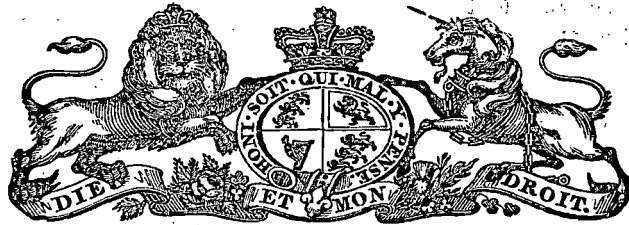


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R E P O R T F O R 1870.

Laid upon the Table by the Colonial Treasurer, and ordered by the House to be printed, November 8, 1871.



TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

SIR,

THE Trustees of the Tasmanian Public Library, in compliance with Clause 7 of the Act to provide for the Incorporation and Government of that Institution (34 Vict. No. 27), beg to submit the following Report of its working since the date of its resuscitation on 5th September to 31st December, 1870.

A. KENNERLEY, *Chairman.*

JOSEPH ALLPORT,

J. W. AGNEW,

THOS. C. SMART,

D. LEWIS,

} *Trustees of the Tasmanian
Public Library.*

To the Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

R E P O R T.

It is gratifying to be able to state that no less than 7455 persons have made use of the Library and Reading Room during the above-mentioned period, amongst whom a large number have been visitors from the adjacent Colonies, who have expressed their high appreciation of the privileges afforded them by the Institution.

The number of the volumes in the Library,—exclusive of unbound periodicals,—at the date of opening was 5800; but since that period 52 vols. have been added by purchase, whilst 332 have been presented. A list of the latter, with the names of the several contributors, is annexed. Upwards of one hundred volumes, which were in a dilapidated condition, have been re-bound.

The Trustees have to acknowledge, with many thanks, the generous and ready manner in which the Governments of Tasmania, Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia, Western Australia, and New Zealand have responded to the applications made to them by the Secretary for gratuitous grants of books and other publications, many of the presentations being of great value as works of reference.

The Reading Room is at present supplied with the following Periodicals and Papers:—

PERIODICALS.

Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine, Cornhill Magazine, Fraser's Magazine, Macmillan's Magazine, St. Paul's, The Builder, Mechanics' Magazine, Quarterly Review, Westminster Review, Journal of Science, Temple Bar, and Australian Journal.

PAPERS.

The Mail, European Mail, Home News, Saturday Review, Illustrated London News, Argus, Australasian, Sydney Morning Herald, South Australian Advertiser, Illustrated Melbourne Post, Hobart Town Mercury, Cornwall Chronicle, and Launceston Examiner.

The following Papers have been supplied gratuitously:—Walch's Literary Intelligencer, Tasmanian Catholic Standard, Church News, People's Friend, Temperance News, Tasmanian Independent, Christian Penny Magazine, Notes on Homœopathy, Public Opinion, The Graphic, The Mauritius Overland Commercial Gazette, with several French papers.

It will be observed by the Balance Sheet, which is annexed, that there was on 31st December, 1870, a sum of £264 11s. 6d. in the hands of the Treasurer available for the purposes of the Library; but it should be mentioned that against this amount there are contingent liabilities for Books, Papers, and Periodicals, ordered but not supplied, &c., which will reduce the same to £165 8s. 10d.

In conclusion, the Trustees express a most confident hope that during the ensuing year the privileges offered by the Institution will be more appreciated even than they have already been—not only by residents in Tasmania, but by the numerous visitors from the respective Australasian Colonies, by whom the want of such a place of public resort has hitherto been much felt and frequently commented upon.

January 6th, 1871.

Dr.

THE Treasurer in Account Current with the Trustees of the Tasmanian Public Library.

Cr.

	£	s.	d.
1869.			
August 23 To amount received from the Colonial Treasury	1710	3	10
1870.			
October 12 Ditto ditto	250	0	0
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	£1960	3	10
To balance.....	£264	11	6

Examined and certified to be correct,
E. J. MANLEY, Colonial Auditor.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1869.						
Nov. 24 By amount expended in Government Debenture for £1400 at 6 per cent. premium	1484	0	0			
1870.						
January 6 Amount placed to credit of Messrs. Chapman and Allport in the Savings' Bank, being the balance of £1500 ordered to be invested as above.....	16	0	0			
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October 15 W. J. Rout, for hardware	1	6	3			
W. Marsh & Co., ditto	1	16	3			
G. Taylor, glassware	0	3	6			
Best & Co., printing Regulations, labels, &c.	2	13	6			
Powell, repairs to inkstand.....	0	2	0			
Royal Society, proportion of carriage of books from America	0	2	0			
Graham, for towelling.....	0	5	0			
Hood, frames for Rules, &c.	2	0	0			
Anderson, lettering and painting	3	6	0			
Tasmanian Times, advertising lost books.....	0	14	0			
Whitesides, case for books presented by the Queen ..	1	10	0			
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17 Amount paid Dr. Agnew for liabilities on old Library; viz.—						
C. M. Maxwell.....	3	8	5			
James's Executors.....	18	7	11			
Chamber of Commerce.....	101	14	5			
John Miles	1	0	0			
Mercury for advertising lost books.....	0	11	0			
Walch & Sons.....	48	1	3			
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25 Assistance rendered the Librarian.....				5	0	0
Nov. 26 Petty cash	2	0	0			
Mercury Office advertising, and subscription to 30th December, 1870	2	1	1			
Tasmanian Times, subscription to 31st December, 1870	0	15	0			
Cornwall Chronicle, ditto	0	16	8			
Various sums disbursed by the Town Clerk, repaid:—						
Cartage of plants from gardens, Royal Society, 2s. 6d.; carriage of parcel from Melbourne, 1s.; extra insurance, 2s.; blowing organ at opening, 2s. 6d.; Staples, for washstand, 35s.; Smith, for upholsterer's work, 6s. 6d.; postages, 1s. 10d.; stationery, 6s. 9d.	2	18	1			
<hr/>				8	10	10
<hr/>				1695	12	4
Balance on hand				264	11	6
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A. KENNERLEY, Chairman,
JOSH. ALLPORT.
J. W. AGNEW.
D. LEWIS.
THOS. C. SMART.

Dr. *THE Savings' Bank in Account Current with Messrs. CHAPMAN and ALLPORT, (Trustees of the Tasmanian Public Library).*

Cr.

1870.		£	s.	d.
January 5	To balance of £1500 invested in Government Debentures	16	0	0
July 30	Half-year's interest on Government Debenture	42	0	0
Dec. 31	Ditto ditto	42	0	0
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		£100	0	0

	£	s.	d.	
To balance.....	62	9	6	
To Interest.....	0	1	2	to 28 February, 1870.
To Interest.....	0	10	4	to 31 August, 1870.
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	£63	1	0	Cash in the Savings' Bank.

1870.		£	s.	d.
January 5	By charge for Deposit Book	0	0	6
Dec. 31	City Corporation on account of Librarian's salary	37	10	0
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		37	10	6
	By Balance on hand	62	9	6
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		£100	0	0

1st February, 1871.

Examined and certified to be correct,
E. J. MANLEY, Colonial Auditor.

THOS. D. CHAPMAN, } Trustees of the Tasmanian Public
JOSH. ALLPORT, } Library.

JAMES BARNARD,
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