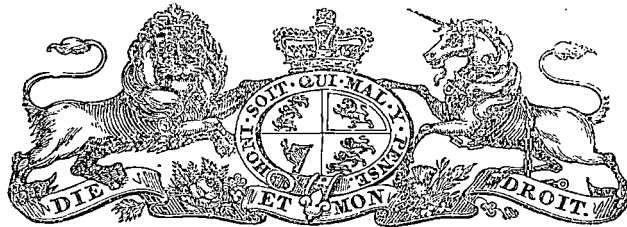


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REPORT FOR 1893-4.

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## TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

### REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1893-94.

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*Librarian and Secretary*—MR. ALFRED J. TAYLOR, F.L.S. Eng.

\* Resigned March, 1894.

† Resigned January, 1894.

11th May, 1894.

SIR,

THE Trustees of the Tasmanian Public Library, in compliance with Clause 7 of the Act to provide for the incorporation and government of the Institution (34 Vict. No. 27), beg to submit the following Report of its working during the year 1893-4.

During the year 105 volumes have been added by purchase and presentation.\*

The attendance of visitors to the Institution has been much larger than for any previous year, viz., 43,857.

The many difficulties which the Trustees have had to work under in their endeavour to maintain the usefulness of the Institution during the past 24 years have been fully set forth in their Report for the year 1891-92.

Dr. T. C. Smart and C. J. Barclay, Esq., having resigned their positions as Trustees, Hon. A. Inglis-Clark was appointed by the Municipal Council of Hobart, and C. M. Tenison, Esq., by the Governor in Council, to the vacant seats on the Board, in accordance with the provisions of Act 34 Vict. No. 27.

The City Council has voted a sum of £456 11s. for Library purposes for the year 1894, the estimated expenditure being as follows :—

\* Not including magazines bound.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries—Librarian .....	170	11	0			
Assistant .....	75	0	0			
Hallkeeper, cleansing Library ....	20	0	0			
				265	11	0
Lighting .....	...			35	0	0
Fuel .....	...			9	10	0
Newspapers, Periodicals, and purchase of Books ...	...			100	0	0
Binding .....	...			20	0	0
Stationery .....	...			4	0	0
Postage .....	...			1	0	0
Printing .....	...			5	0	0
Freight .....	...			5	0	0
Sundries .....	...			7	0	0
Insurance .....	...			4	10	0
TOTAL .....	...			£456	11	0*

\* Towards this Grant the Trustees themselves contribute the sum of £75.

The Trustees have to record with thanks presentations received from kindred Institutions in the Colonies, England, and America, from the proprietors of the following publications, who have supplied gratis copies for Library purposes :—Mercury (one copy), Launceston Examiner (one copy), Daily Telegraph (one copy), N. W. Post, Clipper, Hobart Gazette, Church News, Monitor, Bible Echo, Day Star, People's Friend, Presbyterian Magazine, Australasian Christian Standard, Alliance News, Rechabite Magazine, Alliance Record, Bendigo Independent, Otago Daily Times, Auckland Weekly News, Mildura Cultivator; also for copies of Tasmanian Statistics and Parliamentary Proceedings, Imperial Institute Year Book, Stone's Otago and Southland Directory, Handbook to Aquarium and Picture Galleries, Melbourne; and for additions to the Library received from Messrs. R. M. Johnston, W. E. Stopford, E. C. Nowell, W. Davis, J. B. Mather, J. K. Reid, H. Brett, C. P. Hyman, and Rev. I. Palfreyman.

The books, furniture, and fittings belonging to the Public Library are insured in the Cornwall Insurance Company for £2000.

JAMES B. WALKER, *Chairman.*

*The Hon. the Chief Secretary.*

*The TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY in Account with the Trustees, 1893-4.*

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
Balance from 1892-3 .....	29	13	8	Government Grant-in-aid, 1893 .....	200	0	0
Hobart Corporation, in aid of Librarian's Salary, 1893 .....	75	0	0	Interest .....	90	0	0
Contribution part Salaries.....	103	13	4	Waste Paper sold .....	11	4	0
Allowance to Secretary .....	23	0	0	Balance—			
Interest on Overdraft .....	0	10	6	Overdraft at Commercial Bank.....	£35	1	1
Books, Papers, Periodicals, &c.....	75	8	8	Less in hands of Secretary .....	0	19	10
Binding .....	3	16	8			34	1
Amounts paid by Secretary .....	7	17	4				3
General Post Office (box).....	1	1	0				
Cedar Desk for Reading Room.....	2	2	0				
Cheque Book .....	0	2	1				
	£335	5	3		£335	5	3

MEMORANDUM.—The sum of Fifteen hundred Pounds sterling has been invested in mortgages for a term of three years, and will bear interest at the rate of six per cent. Out of the interest derived a sum of £75 per annum is paid over to the Municipal Council in aid of the Librarian's salary.

ALFRED J. TAYLOR, *Secretary.*

Examined and certified to be correct.

W. LOVETT, *Auditor-General.*

27th April, 1894.

## TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

*EXPENDITURE of the Hobart Corporation for the Year 1893.*

	£	s.	d.
Salaries .....	253	7	0
Hallkeeper (cleansing Library) .....	20	0	0
Gas .....	35	0	0
Fuel.....	8	18	6
Insurance .....	4	10	0
Books, Magazines, Newspapers, &c.....	99	0	4
Binding .....	32	4	9
Sundries .....	11	6	5
	£464	7	0

\* This amount includes the sum of £75 paid to the Corporation by the Trustees in aid of the Librarian's Salary.

W. T. BIRCH, *City Accountant.*