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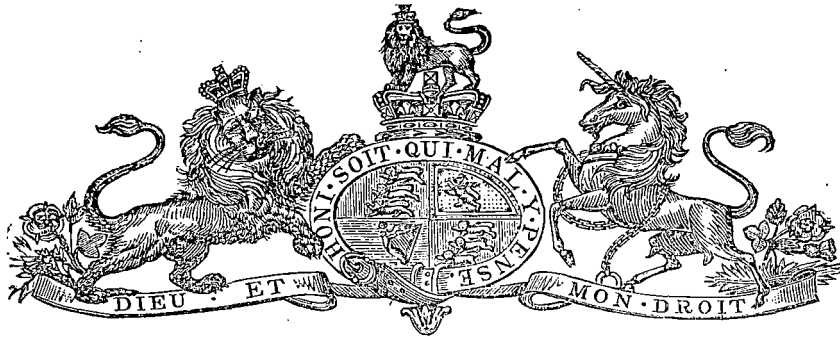
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GENERAL HOSPITAL, HOBART:

REPORT FOR 1891.

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## GENERAL HOSPITAL, HOBART.

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MR. FRANK H. OLDHAM.

### Lady Superintendent:

MISS HARRIET F. MUNRO.

## GENERAL HOSPITAL, HOBART.

### ANNUAL REPORT for Year 1891.

SIR,

IN accordance with the Rules of the Hobart General Hospital, I have the honor to lay before you the following 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 ninety-nine 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 Officers were regular in their visits to the Hospital, and in the performance of their gratuitous professional duties to the sick. The following alterations in the *personnel* of the Board during the year were W. F. Brownell, Esq., and J. W. Syme, Esq., retired, and Messrs. D. R. Dossetor and T. T. Watt elected in their places.

3. The net annual average cost of each occupied bed in 1890 was £74 17s. 1½*d.*, and for the past year, £60 16s. 8½*d.*

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, having increased from £222 16s. 11*d.* in 1882 to £2116 2s. 4*d.* during the year 1891.

5. The following improvements in connection with the Hospital have been effected during the year:—Firstly, by the thorough renovation and equipment of the kitchen, ample means have been provided for carrying out every branch of cookery required for the inmates of the Institution; while, by the erection of a system of separate compartments for the care and control of persons suffering from mental derangement, every comfort and precaution compatible with the restraint of such patients have been provided.

6. During the year 1890 various plans and specifications for a Nurses' Home were submitted to the Board for approval; and towards the end of the past year the building now in course of erection, fronting on Argyle-street, was commenced. This building will be completed in the course of the current year, when ample and superior accommodation will be afforded to the entire nursing staff in close proximity to the sphere of their duties.

7. The washing from the Hospital during the last few years having become a very heavy item of expenditure (about £500 per annum) the Board has had repeatedly under consideration the desirability of establishing a Steam Laundry for the sole use of the Hospital, with the view of effecting a material saving under the head "Washing;" and, after full consideration, proposals have been submitted to the Government urging the adoption of this measure, the result being that the sum of £1500 was placed on the Estimates for this year, which Estimates were passed by both Houses of Parliament; but afterwards it was agreed that this, together with other important public works should not be commenced until the loan was floated, hence the reasons why nothing has been done.

8. In the beginning of 1891 proposals were made to the Government, pointing out the desirability of escapes or safeguards in case of fire; and, with this view, it was agreed that, by adding a balcony to the front of the main building, and by converting several of the present ordinary windows into French windows or doors, so as to afford an immediate escape on to the balconies, these (the balconies) being provided with ample outside stairs, would prove not only an efficient and ready means of escape in the event of fire, but also an ornament and improvement to the Hospital. A sum of money was placed on the Estimates (£1000) for the purpose of carrying out this work; but, owing to the reasons already stated with regard to the Steam Laundry, this important work has been delayed.

9. An efficient and well-disciplined nursing staff has been maintained throughout the year, under the able management of the Lady Superintendent, Miss H. F. Munro; and it is gratifying to know that this important branch of the Hospital service has been highly appreciated both by the patients and the public.

10. The number of Indoor patients treated during the year is in excess of that of the preceding year. In 1890, 1166; in 1891, 1454,—being an increase of 288.

11. The Outdoor patient department shows an increase in number of attendances compared with the preceding year, in which it amounted to 3811, the number of attendances for 1891 being 4459.

12. The following is a comparative statement of certain statistics of 1890 and 1891 :—

	1890.		1891.
Number of diets issued to in-patients .....	31,832	...	36,624
Average stay in Hospital of each patient .....	27 days	...	25 days
Average daily number of in-patients .....	87.02	...	100 $\frac{1}{2}$
Number of diets issued to staff (males) .....	3285	...	3285
Ditto (nurses).....	11,562	...	12,762

13. The following synopsis, embracing the total cost of every branch of the Hospital service, will fully elucidate the entire working of the Institution :—

## A.

Situations.	Yearly Salary.	Remarks.
	£ s. d.	
House Surgeon .....	350 0 0	Also quarters, fuel, and light.
Assistant House Surgeon .....	250 0 0	Ditto.
Secretary, House Steward, &c.....	250 0 0	Ditto.
Day and Night Porters, £52 each .....	104 0 0	} Also rations, quarters, fuel, light, and uniform.
Gardener, £65, and Cook, £65 .....	130 0 0	
Wardsman, £100; Cells Attendant, £95 5s.	195 5 0	
Barber.....	13 0 0	
Cook's Assistant.....	35 0 0	
Dispensary Attendant .....	63 14 6	} Also a personal ration, quarters, and uniform.
Assistant Storekeeper.....	100 0 0	
Lady Superintendent .....	150 0 0	
Nurses.....	625 0 0	
Servants and Cleaners (11) .....	290 0 0	
Cook .....	30 0 0	

## RECAPITULATION.

Salaries of Officers, including the Lady Superintendent .....	£ s. d.	1004 13 7
Ditto of Nursing Staff.....		540 2 4
Ditto Female Servants .....		394 3 6
Ditto Male ditto .....		610 18 6
		<u>£2549 17 11</u>

## B.

	1890.	TOTAL	1891.	TOTAL
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Salaries.....	2577 8 5		2549 17 11	
Provisions .....	2397 3 2		2636 7 10	
Medical Comforts .....	189 19 11		130 12 8	
Occasional Assistance.....	2 2 0		40 16 6	
Fuel and Light .....	641 14 3		646 17 0	
Medicines and Surgical Appliances .....	366 6 9		420 10 6	
Clothing, Bedding, and Stores .....	588 5 6		515 4 3	
Stationery and Advertising .....	52 10 10			
Funeral Expenses .....	55 19 6		63 2 0	
Washing .....	436 12 5		525 11 8	
Repairs to Buildings .....	440 13 8		253 9 11	
Cleansing, &c.....	18 15 0		19 6 3	
Petty Expenses .....	28 9 1		58 11 6	
Furniture .....	54 9 0		55 17 1	
Uniform for Nurses and Attendants .....	124 8 3		111 5 1	
Commission on Collection of Fees.....	130 5 6		172 7 1	
	8105 3 3		8199 17 3	
For Medicines, &c. supplied to other Establishments .....	90 0 0	...	95 0 0	
Sums received from self-supporting Patients and other sources .....	1486 17 2	...	2021 2 4	
Net Expenditure.....	...	6528 6 1	...	6083 14 11



## IN-PATIENTS.

RETURN of Diseases treated during 1891.

		Cases.	Deaths.			Cases.	Deaths.	
I. SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.	ORDER 1.— <i>Miasmatic Diseases.</i>			IV. CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.	1. Rheumatic Fever, Rheumatism of Heart	16	—	
	1. Small-pox	{ <i>a</i> Vaccinated <i>b</i> Unvaccinated <i>c</i> Not stated	—		2. Rheumatism	44	—	
	2. Chicken-pox		—		3. Gout	1	—	
	3. Measles		—		4. Rickets	—	—	
	4. Epidemic Rose Rash	—	5. Cancer, Malignant Disease		18	3		
	5. Scarlet Fever	—	6. Tabes Mesenterica		—	—		
	6. Typhus	—	7. Tubercular Meningitis, Acute Hydrocephalus		1	—		
	7. Relapsing Fever	—	8. Phthisis		50	13		
	8. Influenza	88	9. Other forms of Tuberculosis, Scrofula, &c.		1	—		
	9. Whooping-cough	1	10. Purpura, Hæmorrhagic Diathesis		—	—		
	10. Mumps	—	11. Anæmia, Chlorosis, Leucocythæmia		14	—		
	11. Diphtheria	9	12. Diabetes Mellitus		1	1		
	12. Cerebro-spinal Fever	—	13. Others		—	—		
	13. Simple continued Fever	7						
	14. Typhoid, Enteric Fever	217	37					
15. Others	—	—						
	Total Miasmatic	317	40		Total Constitutional	146	17	
I. SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.	ORDER 2.— <i>Diarrhæal Diseases.</i>			V. DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.	1. Premature Birth	1	1	
	1. Cholera, Sporadic (simple)	—	—		2. Atelectasis	—	—	
	1A. Cholera, Epidemic (Asiatic)	—	—		3. Cyanosis	—	—	
2. Diarrhœa	5	—	4. Spina Bifida		—	—		
3. Dysentery	—	—	5. Imperforate Anus		—	—		
	Total Diarrhœa	5	—		6. Cleft Palate, Harelip	1	—	
			—		7. Other Congenital Defects	—	—	
			—		8. Old Age	11	2	
	Total Miasmatic	317	40		Total Developmental	13	3	
I. SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.	ORDER 3.— <i>Malarial Diseases.</i>			VI. LOCAL DISEASES.	ORDER 1.— <i>Diseases of the Nervous System.</i>			
	1. Remittent Fever	—	—		1. Inflammation of Brain or its Membranes	4	4	
	2. Intermitent Fever, Ague	5	—		2. Apoplexy	1	1	
3. Others	—	—	3. Softening of Brain		3	—		
	Total Malarial	5	—		4. Hemiplegia, Brain Paralysis	7	2	
I. SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.	ORDER 4.— <i>Zoogenous Diseases.</i>				5. Paralysis (undefined)	—	—	
	1. Hydrophobia	—	—		6. Insanity	—	—	
	2. Glanders	—	—		7. Chorea	3	—	
	3. Splenic Fever	—	—		8. Epilepsy	10	—	
4. Cow-pox and other effects of Vaccination	—	—	9. Convulsions		—	—		
			—		10. Laryngismus, Stridulus	—	—	
I. SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.	ORDER 5.— <i>Venereal Diseases.</i>				11. Idiopathic Tetanus	—	—	
	1. Syphilis	14	—		12. Paraplegia, Diseases of the Spinal Cord	9	2	
	2. Gonorrhœa	12	—		13. Others	73	—	
	Total Venereal	26	—			Total Nervous	110	9
I. SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.	ORDER 6.— <i>Septic Diseases.</i>			ORDER 2.— <i>Diseases of the Organs of Special Sense.</i>				
	1. Phagedæna	—	—	1. Otitis, Otorrhœa	—	—		
	2. Erysipelas	2	—	2. Epistaxis and Diseases of Nose	4	—		
	3. Pyæmia, Septicæmia	1	1	3. Ophthalmia and Diseases of Eye	27	—		
4. Puerperal Fever	—	—		Total Special Sense	31	—		
	Total Septic	3	1	ORDER 3.— <i>Diseases of the Circulatory System.</i>	1. Endocarditis, Valvular Disease	43	20	
II. PARASITIC DISEASES.	1. Thrush	—	—		2. Pericarditis	—	—	
	2. Others from Vegetable Parasites	—	—		3. Hypertrophy of Heart	2	—	
	3. Hydatids	3	—		4. Angina Pectoris	—	—	
	4. Others from Animal Parasites	1	—		5. Syncope	—	—	
	Total Parasitic	4	—		6. Aneurism	—	—	
III. DIETIC DISEASES.	1. Starvation, want of Breast Milk	—	—		7. Senile Gangrene	—	—	
	2. Scurvy	1	—		8. Embolism, Thrombosis	—	—	
	3. Intemperance	{ Chronic Alcoholism. Delirium Tremens	51		—	9. Phlebitis	1	—
			18		—	10. Varicose Veins	2	—
	Total Dietic	70	—		11. Others	—	—	
					Total Circulatory	48	20	

VI. LOCAL DISEASES.

ORDER 4.— <i>Diseases of the Respiratory System.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Laryngitis .....	6	1
2. Croup .....	2	2
3. Others of Larynx and Trachea .....	—	—
4. Asthma, Emphysema .....	14	3
5. Bronchitis .....	63	6
6. Pneumonia .....	66	20
6A. Congestion of Lungs .....	—	—
7. Pleurisy .....	13	3
8. Others .....	—	—
<b>Total Respiratory .....</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>35</b>
ORDER 5.— <i>Diseases of the Digestive System.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Stomatitis .....	—	—
2. Dentition .....	—	—
3. Sore Throat, Quinsy .....	14	—
4. Dyspepsia .....	26	—
5. Hæmatemesis .....	—	—
6. Melæna .....	—	—
7. Diseases of Stomach .....	11	1
8. Enteritis .....	2	1
9. Ulceration of Intestine .....	—	—
10. Ileus, Obstruction of Intestine .....	1	—
11. Stricture or Strangulation of Intestine .....	1	—
12. Intussusception of Intestine .....	—	—
13. Hernia .....	5	3
14. Fistula .....	2	—
15. Peritonitis .....	3	2
16. Ascites .....	—	—
17. Gallstones! .....	1	—
18. Cirrhosis of Liver .....	—	—
19. Other Diseases of Liver .....	9	2
20. Others .....	16	1
<b>Total Digestive .....</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>10</b>
ORDER 6.— <i>Diseases of the Lymphatic System and Ductless Glands.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Disease of Lymphatic System .....	8	—
2. Diseases of Spleen .....	—	—
3. Bronchocele .....	1	—
4. Addison's Disease .....	—	—
<b>Total Lymphatic .....</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>—</b>
ORDER 7.— <i>Diseases of the Urinary System.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Nephritis .....	—	—
2. Bright's Disease (Nephria) .....	7	3
3. Uræmia .....	—	—
4. Suppression of Urine .....	—	—
5. Calculus .....	2	—
6. Hæmaturia .....	2	—
7. Diseases of Bladder and Prostate .....	19	4
8. Others .....	—	—
<b>Total Urinary .....</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>7</b>
ORDER 8.— <i>Diseases of Organs of Generation.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Ovarian Disease .....	5	—
2. Diseases of Uterus and Vagina .....	11	—
3. Disorders of Menstruation .....	1	—
4. Pelvic Abscess .....	3	—
5. Perineal Abscess .....	3	—
6. Diseases of Testes, Penis, Scrotum, &c. ....	32	—
<b>Total Generation .....</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>—</b>

LOCAL DISEASES, continued.

ORDER 9.— <i>Diseases of Parturition.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Abortion, Miscarriage .....	—	—
2. Puerperal Mania .....	1	—
3. Puerperal Convulsions .....	—	—
4. Placenta Prævia, Flooding .....	1	—
5. Phlegmasia Dolens .....	—	—
6. Other Accidents of Childbirth .....	—	—
<b>Total Parturition .....</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>
ORDER 10.— <i>Diseases of the Organs of Locomotion.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Caries, Necrosis .....	5	—
2. Arthritis, Ostitis, Periostitis .....	17	—
3. Others .....	26	—
<b>Total Locomotion .....</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>—</b>
ORDER 11.— <i>Diseases of the Integumentary System.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Carbuncle .....	2	—
2. Phlegmon, Cellulitis .....	7	—
3. Lupus .....	—	—
4. Ulcer, Bed Sore .....	17	—
5. Eczema .....	6	—
6. Pemphigus .....	—	—
7. Others .....	4	—
<b>Total Integumentary .....</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>—</b>
ORDER 1.— <i>Accident or Negligence.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Fractures, Contusions .....	92	2
2. Gunshot Wounds .....	3	—
3. Cuts, &c. ....	58	—
4. Burn, Scald .....	10	1
4A. Sunstroke .....	—	—
4B. Lightning .....	—	—
5. Poison .....	1	—
5A. Bite of Snake or Insect .....	—	—
6. Drowning .....	—	—
7. Suffocation .....	1	—
8. Otherwise .....	23	2*
<b>Total Accident .....</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>5</b>
ORDER 2.— <i>Homicide.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Murder and Manslaughter .....	—	—
2. Justifiable Homicide .....	—	—
ORDER 3.— <i>Suicide.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Gunshot Wounds .....	1	—
2. Cut, Stab .....	2	—
3. Poison .....	2	1
4. Drowning .....	—	—
5. Hanging .....	—	—
6. Otherwise .....	—	—
<b>Total Suicide .....</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>
ORDER 4.— <i>Execution.</i>	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Hanging .....	—	—
VIII. ILL-DEFINED AND NOT SPECIFIED CAUSES.	Cases.	Deaths.
1. Dropsy .....	—	—
2. Debility, Atrophy, Inanition .....	31	—
3. Mortification .....	—	—
4. Tumor .....	4	—
5. Abscess .....	13	—
6. Hæmorrhage .....	—	—
7. Sudden (cause unascertained) .....	—	—
8. Not specified or ill-defined .....	—	—
9. Plumbism .....	—	—
<b>Total Ill-defined .....</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>1454</b>	<b>148</b>

VII.—VIOLENCE.

\* From Rupture of Intestines.

## IN-PATIENTS.

*PARTICULARS of Deaths during Year 1891.*

NO.	SEX.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	NO.	SEX.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1	M.	79	Senility.	66	M.	28	Typhoid Fever.
2	F.	40	Morbus Cordis.	67	M.	8	Tubercular Meningitis.
3	M.	40	Morbus Cordis.	68	M.	21	Typhoid Fever.
4	M.	45	Pneumonia.	69	F.	56	Morbus Cordis.
5	F.	88	Chronic Bronchitis.	70	M.	18	Typhoid Fever.
6	F.	52	Chronic Bronchitis.	71	M.	40	Typhoid Fever.
7	M.	46	Phthisis.	72	M.	35	Typhoid Fever.
8	F.	70	Enterocolitis.	73	F.	64	Burns.
9	M.	70	Enlarged Prostate—Extrava- sation.	74	M.	33	Typhoid Fever.
10	M.	32	Typhoid Fever.	75	F.	19	Pneumonia.
11	M.	21	Typhoid Fever.	76	M.	27	Pneumonia.
12	M.	49	Morbus Cordis.	77	M.	21	Jaundice. Peritonitis.
13	F.	24	Typhoid Fever.	78	M.	34	Typhoid Fever.
14	M.	46	Typhoid Fever.	79	F.	27	Pneumonia.
15	M.	22	Typhoid Fever.	80	F.	3	Diphtheria.
16	M.	48	Bright's Disease.	81	M.	54	Strangulated Inguinal Hernia.
17	M.	20	Phthisis.	82	M.	27	Hepatic Abscess.
18	M.	41	Phthisis.	83	M.	41	Typhoid Fever.
19	M.	60	Pleurisy.	84	M.	22	Broncho-Pneumonia.
20	M.	30	Typhoid Fever.	85	F.	19	Laryngitis. Pleurisy.
21	F.	60	Morbus Cordis.	86	M.	37	Typhoid Fever.
22	M.	60	Peritonitis.	87	M.	67	Morbus Cordis.
23	M.	18	Meningitis.	88	M.	67	Morbus Cordis.
24	F.	43	Morbus Cordis.	89	M.	32	Typhoid Fever.
25	M.	82	Pleura Pneumonia.	90	F.	5	Croup.
26	M.	84	Senility.	91	F.	41	Pneumonia.
27	M.	26	Phthisis.	92	M.	24	Typhoid Fever.
28	F.	—	Premature Birth.	93	M.	75	Morbus Cordis.
29	M.	62	Chronic Bronchitis.	94	M.	39	Pneumonia.
30	M.	29	Phthisis.	95	F.	2	Gastritis.
31	M.	41	Rupture of Intestines.	96	M.	76	Bronchitis. Asthma.
32	M.	72	Diabetes Mellitus.	97	M.	45	Morbus Cordis.
33	M.	88	Chronic Bronchitis.	98	M.	70	Morbus Cordis.
34	F.	56	Recurrent Cancer of Breast.	99	M.	23	Typhoid Fever.
35	M.	26	Typhoid Fever.	100	M.	53	Phthisis.
36	M.	70	Cerebral Apoplexy.	101	M.	56	Apoplexy.
37	F.	22	Typhoid Fever.	102	F.	22	Pleurisy.
38	F.	70	Morbus Cordis.	103	F.	38	Tubercular Meningitis.
39	F.	65	Morbus Cordis.	104	F.	53	Cancer of Intestines.
40	M.	66	Morbus Cordis.	105	M.	91	Senility. Cystitis.
41	M.	18	Typhoid Fever.	106	M.	76	Bright's Disease.
42	M.	65	Bronchitic Asthma.	107	M.	46	Pneumonia.
43	M.	32	Phthisis.	108	F.	13	Meningitis.
44	M.	43	Typhoid Fever.	109	F.	66	Bronchitis.
45	M.	39	Phthisis.	110	M.	53	Morbus Cordis.
46	M.	65	Strangulated Inguinal Hernia.	111	M.	86	Senility. Cystitis.
47	F.	27	Septicæmia.	112	M.	19	Phthisis.
48	F.	58	Jaundice.	113	M.	78	Pneumonia.
49	F.	65	Rupture of Intestines.	114	M.	79	Cerebral Apoplexy.
50	F.	54	Strangulated Umbilical Hernia.	115	M.	73	Bronchitis.
51	M.	30	Typhoid Fever.	116	M.	73	Pneumonia.
52	F.	60	Spinal Myelitis.	117	M.	25	Pneumonia.
53	M.	43	Typhoid Fever.	118	F.	13	Spinal Meningitis.
54	M.	22	Typhoid Fever.	119	F.	17	Typhoid Fever.
55	M.	35	Phthisis.	120	M.	31	Typhoid Fever.
56	M.	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	Pneumonia.	121	F.	22	Typhoid Fever.
57	M.	46	Internal Hæmorrhage.	122	M.	63	Pneumonia.
58	F.	35	Spinal Myelitis.	123	M.	26	Typhoid Fever.
59	M.	28	Typhoid Fever.	124	M.	35	Phthisis.
60	M.	19	Typhoid Fever.	125	M.	36	Pneumonia. Phthisis.
61	M.	73	Morbus Cordis.	126	F.	39	Typhoid Fever.
62	M.	45	Morbus Cordis.	127	M.	23	Pleuro-Pneumonia.
63	M.	28	Typhoid Fever.	128	M.	26	Pneumonia.
64	M.	21	Typhoid Fever.	129	M.	74	Phthisis.
65	M.	21	Typhoid Fever.	130	M.	58	Pneumonia.
				131	M.	63	Cancer of Æsophagus.



NO.	SEX.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	NO.	SEX.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
132	F.	8	Morbus Cordis.	141	M.	66	Bright's Disease.
133	F.	29	Fracture of Skull.	142	F.	31	Æsophageal Stricture.
134	F.	3	Croup.	143	F.	43	Morbus Cordis.
135	M.	40	Pneumonia.	144	M.	50	Morbus Cordis.
136	M.	4	Diphtheria.	145	F.	7	Diphtheria.
137	M.	33	Morbus Cordis.	146	M.	86	Senility. Enlarged Prostate.
138	M.	27	Typhoid Fever.	147	M.	43	Phthisis.
139	F.	62	Pneumonia.	148	M.	19	Typhoid Fever.
140	F.	47	Arsenical Poisoning.				

OUT-PATIENTS.

RETURN showing the Monthly Numbers for the Year 1891, with the figures for 1889 and 1890 for comparison.

	NEW OUT-PATIENTS.			CASUALTIES.			TOTAL ATTENDANCES.		
	1889.	1890.	1891.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1889.	1890.	1891.
January .....	110	90	69	29	51	37	384	374	284
February .....	111	76	68	25	25	44	399	293	312
March .....	81	108	72	32	26	53	383	380	358
April .....	64	102	85	31	28	27	364	396	437
May .....	98	62	82	31	26	53	396	328	409
June .....	93	62	72	27	28	37	381	273	337
July .....	86	68	78	25	30	27	394	289	364
August .....	97	97	111	31	20	38	443	325	411
September .....	89	80	98	25	31	35	407	346	306
October .....	90	80	102	34	31	27	426	279	473
November .....	84	72	86	20	26	25	361	250	385
December .....	58	79	65	35	31	40	298	278	383
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>1061</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>4636</b>	<b>3811</b>	<b>4459</b>

DISPENSARY PATIENTS.

	1889.	1890.	1891.
Number of orders for medicine received from the Government Medical Officer attending the poor in their own homes, and from Practitioners prescribing gratuitously.....	1624	1537	1535
Number of prescriptions made up for the above.....	3392	3292	2907

OUT-PATIENTS.

RETURN of Diseases treated during 1891.

I. SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.		V. DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.	
<p>ORDER 1.—<i>Miasmatic Diseases.</i></p> <p>1. Small-pox { <i>a.</i> Vaccinated ..... —  <i>b.</i> Unvaccinated ..... —  <i>c.</i> Not stated ..... —</p> <p>2. Chicken-pox ..... 1</p> <p>3. Measles ..... —</p> <p>4. Epidemic Rose Rash ..... —</p> <p>5. Scarlet Fever ..... —</p> <p>6. Typhus ..... —</p> <p>7. Relapsing Fever ..... —</p> <p>8. Influenza ..... 53</p> <p>9. Whooping Cough ..... 1</p> <p>10. Mumps ..... —</p> <p>11. Diphtheria ..... —</p> <p>12. Cerebro-spinal Fever ..... —</p> <p>13. Simple continued Fever ..... 3</p> <p>14. Typhoid, Enteric Fever ..... 1</p> <p>15. Others ..... —</p> <p>Total Miasmatic ..... 59</p>		<p>1. Premature Birth ..... —</p> <p>2. Atelectasis ..... —</p> <p>3. Cyanosis ..... —</p> <p>4. Spina Bifida ..... —</p> <p>5. Imperforate Anus ..... —</p> <p>6. Cleft Palate, Harelip ..... —</p> <p>7. Other Congenital Defects ..... —</p> <p>8. Old Age ..... 2</p> <p>Total Developmental ..... 2</p>	
<p>ORDER 2.—<i>Diarrhœal Diseases.</i></p> <p>1. Cholera, Sporadic (Simple) ..... —</p> <p>1A. Cholera, Epidemic (Asiatic) ..... —</p> <p>2. Diarrhœa ..... 27</p> <p>3. Dysentery ..... 2</p> <p>Total Diarrhœa ..... 29</p>		<p>ORDER 1.—<i>Diseases of Nervous System.</i></p> <p>1. Inflammation of Brain or its Membranes ..... —</p> <p>2. Apoplexy ..... —</p> <p>3. Softening of Brain ..... —</p> <p>4. Hemiplegia, Brain Paralysis ..... —</p> <p>5. Paralysis (undefined) ..... 2</p> <p>6. Insanity, General Paralysis of Insane... —</p> <p>7. Chorea ..... 2</p> <p>8. Epilepsy ..... 1</p> <p>9. Convulsions ..... 4</p> <p>10. Laryngismus, Stridulus ..... —</p> <p>11. Idiopathic Tetanus ..... —</p> <p>12. Paraplegia, Diseases of the Spinal Cord —</p> <p>13. Others ..... 12</p> <p>Total Nervous ..... 21</p>	
<p>ORDER 3.—<i>Malarial Diseases.</i></p> <p>1. Remittent Fever ..... —</p> <p>2. Intermittent Fever (Ague) ..... —</p> <p>3. Others ..... —</p>		<p>ORDER 2.—<i>Diseases of the Organs of Special Sense.</i></p> <p>1. Otitis, Otorrhœa ..... 8</p> <p>2. Epistaxis and Diseases of the Nose .... 3</p> <p>3. Ophthalmia and Diseases of the Eye... 19</p> <p>Total Special Sense ..... 30</p>	
<p>ORDER 4.—<i>Zoogenous Diseases.</i></p> <p>1. Hydrophobia ..... —</p> <p>2. Glanders ..... —</p> <p>3. Splenic Fever ..... —</p> <p>4. Cow-pox and other effects of Vaccination —</p>		<p>ORDER 3.—<i>Diseases of the Circulatory System.</i></p> <p>1. Endocarditis, Valvular Disease ..... 16</p> <p>2. Pericarditis ..... —</p> <p>3. Hypertrophy of Heart ..... 1</p> <p>4. Angina Pectoris ..... —</p> <p>5. Syncope ..... 1</p> <p>6. Aneurism ..... —</p> <p>7. Senile Gangrene ..... —</p> <p>8. Embolism, Thrombosis ..... —</p> <p>9. Phlebitis ..... —</p> <p>0. Varicose Veins ..... 2</p> <p>11. Others ..... 5</p> <p>Total Circulatory ..... 25</p>	
<p>ORDER 5.—<i>Venereal Diseases.</i></p> <p>1. Syphilis ..... 10</p> <p>2. Gonorrhœa, Stricture of Urethra ..... 16</p> <p>Total Venereal ..... 26</p>		<p>ORDER 4.—<i>Diseases of the Respiratory System.</i></p> <p>1. Laryngitis ..... —</p> <p>2. Croup ..... 1</p> <p>3. Others of Larynx and Trachea ..... —</p> <p>4. Asthma, Emphysema ..... 1</p> <p>5. Bronchitis ..... 121</p> <p>6. Pneumonia ..... 1</p> <p>6A. Congestion of Lungs ..... —</p> <p>7. Pleurisy ..... 4</p> <p>8. Others ..... 22</p> <p>Total Respiratory ..... 150</p>	
<p>ORDER 6.—<i>Septic Diseases.</i></p> <p>1. Phagedæna ..... —</p> <p>2. Erysipelas ..... —</p> <p>3. Pyæmia, Septicæmia ..... —</p> <p>4. Puerperal Fever ..... —</p>		<p>ORDER 5.—<i>Diseases of the Digestive System.</i></p> <p>1. Stomatitis ..... 5</p> <p>2. Dentition ..... 13</p> <p>3. Sore Throat, Quinsy ..... 19</p> <p>4. Dyspepsia ..... 134</p> <p>5. Hæmatemesis ..... —</p> <p>6. Melæna ..... —</p> <p>7. Diseases of the Stomach ..... 6</p> <p>8. Enteritis ..... —</p> <p>9. Ulceration of Intestine ..... —</p> <p>10. Ileus, Obstruction of Intestine ..... —</p> <p>11. Stricture or Strangulation of Intestine.. —</p> <p>12. Intussusception of Intestine ..... —</p> <p>13. Hernia ..... 6</p> <p>14. Fistula ..... —</p> <p>15. Peritonitis ..... —</p> <p>16. Ascites ..... —</p>	
<p>II. PARASITIC DISEASES.</p> <p>1. Thrush ..... 2</p> <p>2. Others from Vegetable Parasites ..... 1</p> <p>3. Hydatids ..... —</p> <p>4. Others from Animal Parasites ..... 33</p> <p>Total Parasitic ..... 36</p>		<p>VI. LOCAL DISEASES.</p>	
<p>III. DIETIC DISEASES.</p> <p>1. Starvation ..... —</p> <p>2. Scurvy ..... —</p> <p>3. Intemperance { <i>a.</i> Chronic Alcoholism... 2  <i>b.</i> Delirium Tremens ... —</p> <p>Total Dietic ..... 2</p>			
<p>V. CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.</p> <p>1. Rheumatic Fever, Rheumatism of Heart —</p> <p>2. Rheumatism ..... 38</p> <p>3. Gout ..... 2</p> <p>4. Rickets ..... —</p> <p>5. Cancer, Malignant Disease ..... 1</p> <p>6. Tabes Mesenterica ..... —</p> <p>7. Tubercular Meningitis, Acute Hydrocephalus ..... —</p> <p>8. Phthisis ..... 17</p> <p>9. Other forms of Tuberculosis, Scrofula, &amp;c. 1</p> <p>10. Purpura, Hæmorrhagic Diathesis ..... —</p> <p>11. Anæmia, Chlorosis, Leucocythæmia ... 17</p> <p>12. Diabetes Mellitus ..... —</p> <p>13. Others ..... 3</p> <p>Total Constitutional ..... 79</p>			

VI. LOCAL DISEASES.

ORDER 5.— <i>continued.</i>	
17. Gallstones .....	—
18. Cirrhosis of Liver .....	—
19. Other Diseases of Liver .....	2
20. Others .....	15
Total Digestive .....	200
ORDER 6.— <i>Diseases of the Lymphatic System and Ductless Glands.</i>	
1. Diseases of the Lymphatic System.....	7
2. Diseases of the Spleen .....	—
3. Bronchocele .....	2
4. Addison's Disease.....	—
Total Lymphatic.....	9
ORDER 7.— <i>Diseases of the Urinary System.</i>	
1. Nephritis .....	—
2. Bright's Disease (Nephria) .....	—
3. Uræmia .....	—
4. Suppression of Urine .....	—
5. Calculus.....	1
6. Hæmaturia .....	2
7. Disease of the Bladder and of Prostate .	3
8. Others .....	—
Total Urinary .....	6
ORDER 8.— <i>Diseases of the Organs of Generation.</i>	
1. Ovarian Disease .....	—
2. Diseases of Uterus and Vagina.....	11
3. Disorders of Menstruation .....	8
4. Pelvic Abscess .....	1
5. Perineal Abscess .....	—
6. Diseases of Testes, Penis, Scrotum, &c.	8
Total Generation .....	28
ORDER 9.— <i>Diseases of Parturition.</i>	
1. Abortion, Miscarriage.....	—
2. Puerperal Mania .....	—
3. Puerperal Convulsions .....	—
4. Placenta Prævia, Flooding .....	—
5. Phlegmasia Dolens .....	—
6. Other Accidents of Childbirth.....	1
Total Parturition .....	1
ORDER 10.— <i>Diseases of Organs of Locomotion.</i>	
1. Caries, Necrosis .....	5
2. Arthritis, Ostitis, Periostitis.....	—
3. Others .....	26
Total Locomotion .....	31

VI. LOCAL DISEASES.

VII. VIOLENCE.

VIII. ILL-DEFINED AND NOT-SPECIFIED CAUSES.

ORDER 11.— <i>Diseases of the Integumentary System.</i>	
1. Carbuncle .....	1
2. Phlegmon, Cellulitis .....	1
3. Lupus.....	—
4. Ulcer, Bed sore .....	27
5. Eczema .....	31
6. Pemphigus .....	1
7. Others .....	11
Total Integumentary .....	72
ORDER 1.— <i>Accident or Negligence.</i>	
1. Fractures, Contusions .....	92
2. Gunshot Wounds .....	4
3. Cuts, &c. ....	292
4. Burns, Scalds .....	10
4A. Dislocations .....	13
4B. Sprained Joints .....	20
5. Poison .....	—
5A. Bite of Snake or Insect .....	3
6. Drowning .....	—
7. Suffocation .....	1
8. Otherwise .....	41
Total Accident .....	476
ORDER 2.— <i>Homicide.</i>	
1. Murder, Manslaughter .....	—
2. Justifiable Homicide.....	—
ORDER 3.— <i>Suicide.</i>	
1. Gunshot Wounds.....	—
2. Cuts, Stab .....	—
3. Poison .....	—
4. Drowning .....	—
5. Hanging .....	—
6. Otherwise .....	—
ORDER 4.— <i>Execution.</i>	
1. Hanging .....	—
VIII. ILL-DEFINED AND NOT-SPECIFIED CAUSES.	
1. Dropsy .....	—
2. Debility, Atrophy, Inanition.....	28
3. Mortification .....	—
4. Tumour .....	6
5. Abscess .....	12
6. Hæmorrhage .....	—
7. Sudden (cause unascertained) .....	—
8. Not specified or ill-defined .....	110
Total Ill-defined .....	150
TOTAL .....	1431

The following Return shows the gross Expenditure on the General Hospital for the 12 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.		
1880.....	1054	945	104	80	£	s.	d.
1881.....	941	873	98	50	6323	6	4
1882.....	991	887	107	59	6077	7	5
1883.....	1065	957	101	71	5733	6	10
1884.....	946	848	101	68	6760	4	6
1885.....	891	784	92	83	7162	4	1
1886.....	1010	902	109	78	6999	8	2
1887.....	1209	1051	155	81	7053	9	9
1888.....	1077	936	131	91	8451	16	8
1889.....	922	822	118	91	7820	4	2
1890.....	1093	988	103	75	8072	6	7
1891.....	1379	1249	148	57	8105	3	3
					8199	17	3

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

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*Chairman Board of Management.*

*General Hospital, Hobart, 30th January, 1892.*

*The Honorable P. O. Fysh,*  
*Premier and Chief Secretary.*