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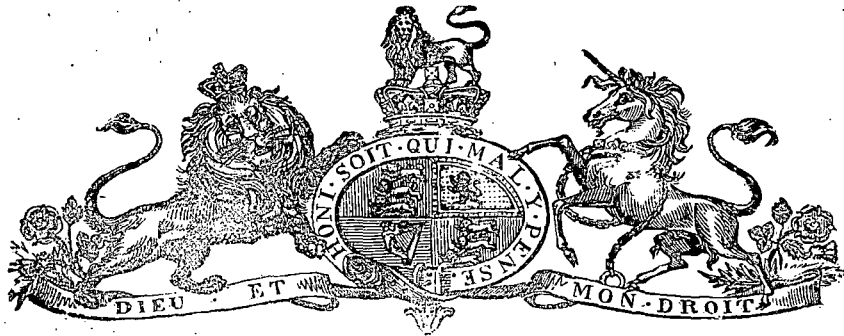
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TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT FOR 1874.

Laid upon the Table by the Attorney-General, and ordered by the House to be printed, July 27, 1875.



TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Tasmanian Public Library, 1st February, 1875.

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 during the year 1875.

THOS. D. CHAPMAN, *Chairman*,
GEO. CRISP,
W. F. BROWNELL,
J. W. AGNEW,
JOSH. ALLPORT,
THOS. GIBLIN,
WM. BELBIN,
C. M. MAXWELL,

*Trustees of the
Tasmanian
Public Library.*

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

R E P O R T.

1. THE Trustees, in presenting their Fourth Annual Report, have much pleasure in announcing that, during the past twelve months, 28,085 names have been registered in the Visitors' Book,—showing that the privileges afforded by the Institution are fully appreciated by the citizens, as also by numerous visitors from the respective Australasian Colonies.

2. During the year 186 volumes have been added by purchase, 46 volumes by presentation, and 2 volumes recovered of those missing from the old Library,—making in all an addition of 232 volumes besides pamphlets, &c.

3. During the period under review, valuable presentations have been received from the British Museum, Corporation of London, Royal Geographical Society, Royal Historical and Archæological Association of Ireland, and the Smithsonian Institution. The Trustees have also to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of donations from the Government of Tasmania; the Tasmanian Board of Education; the Postmaster-General; the Government of New South Wales; the Government Statistician of that Colony, New Zealand, and Melbourne; the Postmaster-General, Sydney; the Registrar, Sydney University; Royal Society, Victoria; the New Zealand Institute; the Melbourne Athenæum; Cobden Club, London; Messrs. E. F. Hughes and E. Paley, Melbourne; also Rev. E. Symons, G. Kemp, T. H. Haskell, H. M. Hull, E. Allason, Russell Young, E. C. Nowell, and Miss Nutt. Contributions have also been received from "Irish gentlemen resident in Tasmania."

4. In addition to the valuable collection of works of reference and general literature on the shelves of the Library Rooms, the following Reviews, Magazines, and Newspapers are to be found upon the Reading Room Table:—

REVIEWS.

Quarterly.
Edinburgh.
Westminster.
Contemporary.

British Quarterly.
Fortnightly.
New Quarterly.

MAGAZINES.

Macmillan's.
Blackwood's.
Fraser's.
Cornhill.
Temple Bar.
Chambers' Journal.
Athenæum.

Builder.
Iron.
Art.
Geographical Magazine.
All the Year Round.
Journal of Science.
Australian Journal.

NEWSPAPERS.

The Mail.
Saturday Review.
Pall Mall Budget.
Home News.
Vanity Fair.
Land and Water.
Illustrated London News.
Punch.
Gardeners' Chronicle.
Sydney Morning Herald.
South Australian Registrar.
Melbourne Argus.
Sydney Mail.
Australasian.
Town and Country.
Otago Daily Times.

Otago Guardian.
Lyttleton Times.
West Coast Times.
Daily Southern Cross.
Newcastle Chronicle.
Hamilton Spectator.
Fiji Argus.
Hobart Town Mercury.
Tribune.
Launceston Examiner.
Church News.
Christian Witness.
People's Friend.
Sketcher.
Hobart Town Gazette.
N.S.W. Gazette.

The Statistics and Statutes of the Colonies are always available for reference, as well as Reports, Transactions, and Proceedings of various Societies in England and America.

The City Council has sanctioned the following expenditure for the year 1875; viz.—£420, comprising the following items:—

	£	s.	d.
Salary of Librarian	125	0	0
Salary of Assistant	25	0	0
Lighting	40	0	0
Fuel	6	0	0
Newspapers and Periodicals	90	0	0
Purchase of Books	70	0	0
Binding	20	0	0
Stationery	4	0	0
Postages	2	0	0
Printing	5	0	0
Freight	10	0	0
Sundries	3	0	0
Cleaning	20	0	0
	<u>£420</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

To be provided for as follows:—

By contribution from Trustees	75	0	0
By appropriation of Municipal Funds	345	0	0
	<u>£420</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

THE TASMANIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY in Account with the Trustees for the Year 1874.

1874.	Dr.	£ s. d.	1874.	Cr.	£ s. d.
Dec. 31.	To amount paid to Municipal Council on account of Librarian's Salary	75 0 0	By Balance from 1873	103 13 9	
	Allowance to Secretary	15 0 0	Paid into Commercial Bank by Secretary (proceeds of waste paper, &c. sold).....	5 1 4	
	One Debenture for £100	101 0 0	Interest on Debentures	86 1 8	
	Balance—		Interest allowed by Savings' Bank	3 7 4	
	In Commercial Bank 0 2 3				
	In Savings' Bank ... 6 13 3				
	In hands of Secretary 0 8 7				
		7 4 1			
		<u>£198 4 1</u>			<u>£198 4 1</u>

Jan. 1875. Balance brought down..... 7 4 1

THOS. D. CHAPMAN, *Chairman of the Trustees of the Tasmanian Public Library.*

Audited and found correct.

W. LOVETT, *Colonial Auditor.*

MEMORANDUM.

THE invested funds now amount to one thousand five hundred pounds in Government Debentures, namely,—one thousand four hundred pounds bearing interest at six per cent. per annum, redeemable on the 30th of December, 1877, and one hundred pounds bearing interest at five per cent. per annum, redeemable on the 1st of December, 1878, together producing an annual revenue of eighty-nine pounds; and from that income the sum of seventy-five pounds is annually paid over by the Trustees of the Library to the Municipal Council of Hobart Town in aid of the salary of the Librarian.

EXPENDITURE by the Hobart Town Corporation as per Abstract of Accounts published for the Year 1874.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Librarian	125 0 0	
Assistant	25 0 0	
	<u>150 0 0</u>	
Walch & Sons, balance former liability.....	..	37 19 8
Gas .....	..	38 0 0
Insurance .....	..	9 0 0
Binding .....	..	15 0 0
Sundries, including fuel.....	..	24 15 0
Books, Papers, Periodicals, &c. ..	..	121 10 4
Incidental expenses .....	..	0 8 6
		<u>£396 13 6</u>

N.B.—Actual expense is £416 13s. 6d., but £20 for cleansing is charged direct to the Municipal Fund.

THOS. PARKER, *City Accountant.*

31st December, 1874.