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**BRICKFIELDS PAUPER ESTABLISHMENT.**

REPORT FOR 1874.

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



*ANNUAL REPORT of the BRICKFIELDS PAUPER ESTABLISHMENT for 1874.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to forward to the Government the Annual Report of the Brickfields Pauper Establishment for the year ending December 31st, 1874.

The expenses are a little higher than the previous year, owing to the increased price of meat, &c.

With regard to the labour performed by the Inmates, I have to state that the work from Colville to Stoke and adjacent streets is finished. The men are now engaged in Park-street, and some progress has also been made in this locality : at the same time the work of the Institution has not been neglected.

The conduct of the Inmates on the whole has been good.

*Yearly State.*

Number of Inmates, January 1st, 1874.....	229	}	526
Admitted during the year .....	297		
Discharged during the year.....	233	}	273
Died during the year .....	40		
Remaining, January 1st, 1875.....			<u>253</u>
Average age of those who died.....	73½		
Average age of those remaining .....	69½		
Average daily number of Inmates .....	245		
	£	s.	d.
The expense of their maintenance .....	3278	9	3½
The rate per head per annum .....	13	7	7¼
The rate per head per diem .....	0	0	8½

This includes all expenses of the Establishment,—no value being placed in this Report for the labour of the Inmates.

No. of Rations issued to Servants during the year.....	1084
No. of Rations issued to Paupers during the year.....	89,456
Total .....	<u>90,540</u>

Produce of Garden equal to, in value, 28,921 lbs. Potatoes.

His Excellency the late Governor and other gentlemen have supplied newspapers and a few books for the Library, and also visited the Institution, to whom thanks are due for their kindness.

Religious instruction has been imparted by the different Ministers of Religion to the Inmates in a regular and satisfactory manner.

In January, 1874, the Board of Management were superseded by a Board of Visitors, but no meeting took place ; and only one visit made by a Member during the year, who recorded in the Visiting Book as follows :—

“The discipline of this Establishment is, in my opinion, as thoroughly maintained as it is possible ; and it would be difficult to find reasonable fault in the general management.

(Signed) H. COOK.”

17th March, 1874.

I have the honor to be,  
Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

JNO. WITHRINGTON, *Superintendent.*

*The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.*

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