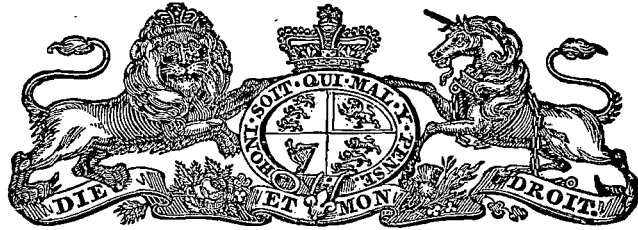


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**HOSPITAL FOR INSANE (CASCADES):**

**REPORT FOR 1878.**

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## HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE, CASCADES.

*To His Excellency FREDERICK ALOYSIUS WELD, Esquire, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor-in-Chief of Tasmania and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

In presenting the Annual Report of this Institution for 1878, we are in a position to acknowledge the able services of the Surgeon-Superintendent in the general management of it.

We, at the same time, desire to accord to the other officials their due share of praise in the performance of duties necessarily of a trying nature.

The buildings have been kept in repair and in perfect cleanliness; and the recreation ground, which was available during the latter months of the year, afforded an agreeable change for exercise to those patients willing to be placed there upon all suitable occasions.

The Surgeon-Superintendent reports that several cases of sickness were treated in hospital, but that only two deaths occurred.

All details in connection with the establishment are set forth in appended Returns A, B, C.

We have the honor to be,  
Your Excellency's obedient and humble Servants,

HENRY BUTLER, *President.*  
CHARLES MEREDITH.  
W. TARLETON.  
THOS. C. SMART.  
CHARLES DOWDELL.

28th March; 1879.

### A.

*RETURN of Deaths at the Cascades Hospital for Insane during the year ended 31st December, 1878.*

| <i>No. of Register.</i> | <i>Date of Death.</i> | <i>Cause of Death.</i>    | <i>Age.</i> | <i>Average Age.</i> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| 63                      | 26th April            | Apoplexy                  | 60          | } 62½ years.        |
| 9                       | 19th June             | Atrophy and Brain Disease | 65          |                     |

J. COVERDALE, *M.D., Surgeon-Superintendent.*

B.

RETURN showing the Number of Lunatics in the Hospital for Insane, Cascades, on the 31st December, 1877, with the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the year 1878; their Religion, and the Funds upon which they were borne.

| Number remaining<br>31st December, 1877. | Admitted. | Discharged. | Died. | RELIGION.   |                    | FUNDS.    |           | Number remaining<br>31st December, 1878. |
|--|-----------|-------------|-------|-------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|--|
|  |           |             |       | Protestant. | Roman<br>Catholic. | Colonial. | Imperial. |  |
| 76                                       | 1         | Nil.        | 2     | 39          | 36                 | 8         | 67        | 75                                       |

J. COVERDALE, M.D., Surgeon-Superintendent.

C.

RETURN showing the Cost of the Hospital for Insane, Cascades, during the year ended 31st December, 1878.

Average daily number—Colonial 7½, Imperial, 67½. Total, 75.

| £ s. d.                                   |       |      | £ s. d.             |       |      |
|---|-------|------|---------------------|-------|------|
| <i>Salaries—</i>                          |       |      | Sale of Bones ..... |       |      |
| Surgeon-Superintendent, Officers, &c..... | 805   | 15 3 | Net Cost .....      | 2427  | 15 1 |
| <i>Contingencies—</i>                     |       |      |                     |       |      |
| Clothing, Bedding, Stores, and Stationery | 241   | 7 11 |                     |       |      |
| Provisions and Medical Comforts .....     | 1162  | 19 1 |                     |       |      |
| Medicines.....                            | 5     | 0 0  |                     |       |      |
| Attendants' Uniforms .....                | 17    | 7 10 |                     |       |      |
| Fuel and Light .....                      | 142   | 12 0 |                     |       |      |
| Miscellaneous Expenses .....              | 12    | 15 0 |                     |       |      |
| Travelling Expenses of Commissioners ..   | 6     | 4 6  |                     |       |      |
| Repairs and Alterations.....              | 36    | 3 6  |                     |       |      |
| Total .. .....                            | £2430 | 5 1  | Total .....         | £2430 | 5 1  |

|  | £     | s. | d. |
|--|-------|----|----|
| Amount chargeable to Imperial Government, at £22 per head..... | 2160  | 0  | 0  |
| Ditto to Colonial Government.....                              | 267   | 15 | 1  |
| Total.....   | £2427 | 15 | 1  |

Total cost per head..... £32 7s. 4½d.

J. COVERDALE, M.D., Surgeon-Superintendent.