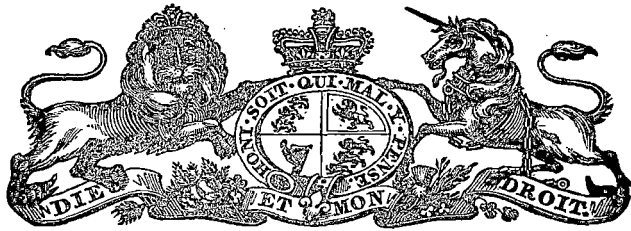


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GENERAL HOSPITAL, HOBART TOWN.

ANNUAL REPORT for 1875.

I HAVE the honor to lay before the Government the Annual Report for the year ending 31st December, 1875.

The number of cases treated in Hospital during the year was slightly in excess of those treated in the previous year, and the mortality was six less; of the deaths more than half occurred in patients upwards of 50 years of age.

Amongst the admissions were several cases of diphtheria, the greater number of whom were received from the country districts.

The number of paying patients was 40 less than in 1874. The diminution is accounted for by the decrease in the number of patients received from the Main Line Railway works, and the discontinuance of the subscription from the Contractors at the latter part of the year.

The number of out-patients treated at the Dispensary was very much larger than in 1874, and a great many pauper patients who were unable to attend at the Hospital were visited at their own homes.

GEORGE TURNLEY, *Surgeon Superintendent.*

The cost of the General Hospital for the Year 1875 was £3572 14s. 4d.

	£	s.	d.
Salaries	1642	15	8
Provisions	1301	16	2
Medical comforts	116	16	0
Medicines and surgical instruments (estimated)	200	0	0
Fuel and light	268	6	0
Clothing, bedding, &c.	142	12	10
House allowance	100	0	0
Repairs to buildings, &c.	187	8	9
Stationery	8	18	11
Washing	77	9	5
Funerals	102	8	3
Travelling expenses	50	0	0

Cr.			£4198 12 0
For medical attendance and medicines supplied			
to other establishments*	325	0	0
Cash received from self-supporting patients ..	300	17	8
			625 17 8
			£3572 14 4

Number of diets to patients	29,900
Ditto to attendants	6903
	36,803

Daily average number of patients in Hospital was about ..	82
Average cost per diem	2s. 4½d.

GEORGE TURNLEY, *Surgeon Superintendent.*

* *Viz.*—The Queen's Asylum for Children, New Town; the Female Invalid Depôt, New Town; the Brickfields Pauper Depôt; the Gaols, House of Correction, and Reformatory for Boys.

STATISTICAL Report of the Surgeon Superintendent.

DURING the past year there were admitted into Hospital 1024 patients, of whom 669 were males and 355 females.

There were remaining under treatment at the commencement of the year, 63; so that the total number treated during the year ending 31st December, 1875, was 1087. Of these, 908 were discharged, 104 died, and 75 remain under treatment.

Seven persons died on the day of admission, 9 on the day after, 5 on the second day, 4 on the third, 4 on the fourth, 3 on the fifth, and 2 on the sixth day.

The ages of those who died were as follows:—

Under 20 years	14
From 20 to 30 years	10
" 30 to 40 years	5
" 40 to 50 years	10
" 50 to 60 years	17
" 60 to 70 years	27
" 70 to 80 years	14
" 80 to 90 years	7

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Of the patients admitted 99 were self-supporting, 27 were either wholly or in part chargeable to Imperial funds, and 961 were Colonial paupers.

The number of out-patients treated during the year was 6668; the number of prescriptions was 9389.

GEORGE TURNLEY, *Surgeon Superintendent.*

RETURN showing the Diseases treated in the General Hospital during the Year 1875.

CLASS OF DISEASES.	NUMBER OF DISEASES TREATED.			DIED.
	<i>In Hospital.</i>	<i>Out-Patients.</i>	TOTAL.	
Diseases of the { Stomach and Bowels	33	767	800	6
{ Lungs	144	1322	1466	29
{ Eyes	22	75	97	—
{ Brain and Nervous System ..	117	77	194	11
{ Skin	8	272	280	—
{ Liver	9	8	17	3
Abscesses and Ulcers	52	235	287	—
Rheumatic Affections	76	701	777	—
Wounds and Injuries	192	529	721	7
Venereal Affections	82	170	252	—
Fevers	21	72	93	3
Dropsies	7	33	40	1
Other Diseases	324	2407	2731	44
TOTAL	1087	6668	7755	104

GEORGE TURNLEY, *Surgeon Superintendent.*