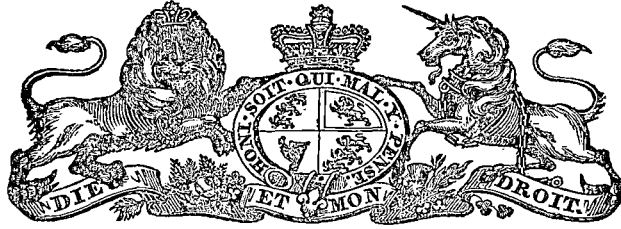


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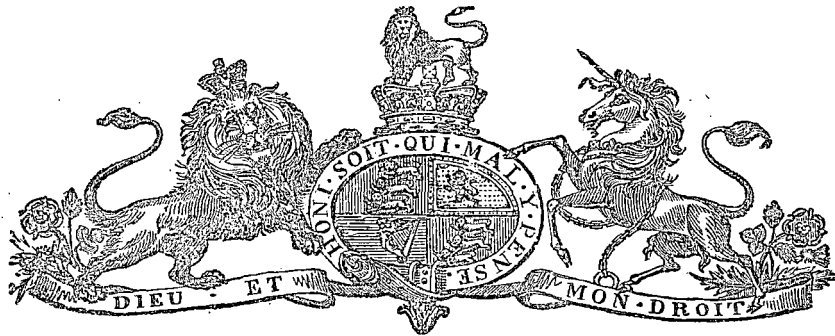
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

HOBART TOWN FEMALE REFORMATORY
AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

REPORT, 1865-6.

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*REPORT of the HOBART TOWN FEMALE REFORMATORY and INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,
1865-66.*

THE Committee, in reviewing the experience of the past year in connection with this Institution, feel bound to express their deepened conviction of the growing necessity for continued, patient, and sustained effort in the cause in which they are engaged. The evil they have to contend with is one of no small magnitude, and by its prevention (which is their object) a great boon results to society.

While the Committee have thankfully to acknowledge a measure of success during the past year which is highly encouraging, they have yet to state that, compared with the actual requirements of our social state, the work accomplished has been very small and insignificant; and fully to meet the cases which might be instanced, much more extended operations are imperatively demanded, which can only be entered on by the aid of a more abundant liberality on the part of all who seek the good of their fellow-creatures.

Cheered by the past success, and trusting to the sympathy and substantial assistance of their friends and the public generally, larger, more central, and commodious premises have been secured and entered on. The work is now being carried on under the able management of Mrs. Rishton, at No. 2, Church-street, and is open daily for visitation and inspection to all who feel interested in the undertaking. The Committee believe that a visit to the Institution would satisfy the visitors that a very great amount of good is being done to the inmates.

The Committee gratefully acknowledge a grant of £100 from the Parliament during their last sitting, on the understanding that a like sum should be raised by subscription—a proof that their efforts have been duly appreciated, and which has strengthened their hands, encouraging them to extend the work, and add to the number of inmates; at the same time they hope that the liberality of their friends will not be lessened, but, on the contrary, increased.

Thanks are due to the Rev. F. H. Cox, who has for the last two years devoted his time to the religious instruction of the girls, who greatly benefited by his ministrations. On removal to the new premises this work was undertaken by the Rev. A. Davenport, who has kindly consented to devote a portion of his time to this object.

The following statistics will in some measure show the progress of the Institution:—

In the Reformatory at beginning of year.....	5
Admitted	10
Sent home to parents	2
Provided with situations.....	2
Sent to Hospital	1
Remaining in the Reformatory	10

Dr.	<i>HOBART TOWN FEMALE REFORMATORY in Account with Treasurer.</i>			Cr.			
	£	s.	d.				
To balance from last year	18	15	4	By Provisions	67	17	6
Contributions	124	18	0	Matron's salary	33	0	0
Government grant	100	0	0	Rent and taxes	26	19	2
Work of inmates	18	7	9	Clothing	15	10	2
Sale of grate	1	17	0	Beds and bedding	5	1	9
Special Contribution for one of the inmates	2	0	0	Fuel	8	5	0
				Repairs, &c.	4	7	0
				Printing	2	11	0
				Balance in Treasurer's hands	102	6	6
	<u>£265</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>£265</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>1</u>