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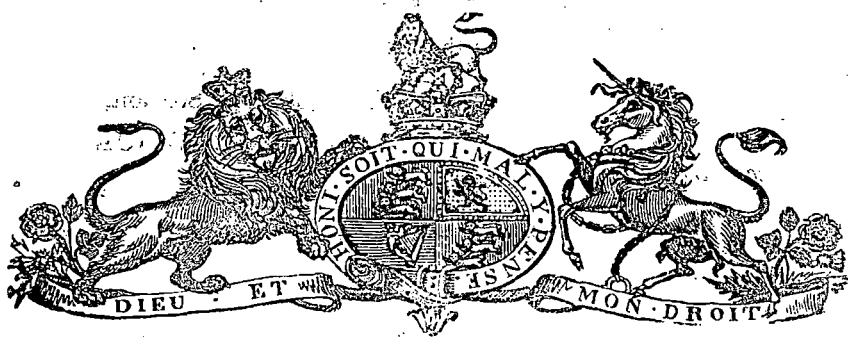
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INVALID DEPÔT, LAUNCESTON :

REPORT FOR 1882.

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INVALID DEPÔT, LAUNCESTON.

ANNUAL REPORT for 1882.

Invalid Depôt, Launceston, 7th March, 1883.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to submit the Annual Report of this Establishment to you for the year ending the 31st December, 1882:—

Admissions and Discharges.

On the 1st January the number of inmates remaining was	137
Admitted during the year	172
TOTAL	309
Discharges	124
Deaths	52
TOTAL	176
Remaining 31st December	133
TOTAL	309

The admissions were 21 in excess of 1881. The daily average strength was less than the previous year, being $140\frac{1}{2}$, as against 146.64. This was caused by one of the dormitories at the Gaol which was occupied by the invalids for sleeping purposes being required for the accommodation of prisoners.

Mortality.—The death-rate was 16.825 per cent., as against 11.458 for 1881. The average death-rate for the past eight years was 11.34 per cent. The average age at death was 74.46, the maximum being 86 and the minimum 54. The united ages of 16 who died was 1291, being an average of 80.675.

Ages.—The average age of inmates was 67.17, exclusive of 2 natives under 15 years, and 4 under 25 years; average ages of natives who were admitted as being unable to earn a livelihood, 17.33.

Cost.—It will be observed by the accompanying Return that the gross expenditure for the year amounted to £1943 14s. 7d., the net £1893 3s. 9d. (being £147 4s. 7d. less than the sum voted as per Estimates); the respective annual cost being £13 17s. 5d. and £13 10s. 2½d.

General Remarks.—The conduct of the inmates has been very satisfactory. Owing to the increased death-rate, which has caused an additional amount of labour, the Wardsmen have (considering their physical condition) performed their work in an efficient manner. Of those discharged, 3 absconded, 9 were charged at the Police Office (8 for breaches of discipline, 1 for

