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OF
THE COLONY OF VICTORIA
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STATISTICAL REGISTER OF VICTORIA, 1898.

SOCIAL CONDITION.

CHURCHES, CHAPELS, ETC.

RETURN for the Year ended 31st December, 1898, of the Number of Churches and Chapels and other Buildings used for Public Worship by the different Religious Denominations throughout the Colony of Victoria; also, the Approximate Number of Sunday or Sabbath Services performed during the Year, the Number of Persons for whom there is Accommodation, and the Number attending.

Denominations.	Number of Clergy, Ministers, &c.	Buildings used for Public Worship.			Approximate Number of Sunday or Sabbath Services performed during the Year.	Approximate Number of District Individuals—	
		Churches and Chapels.	Other Buildings.	Total.		For whom there is Accommodation.	Attending Sunday or Sabbath Services.
Protestant Churches--							
Church of England	242	539	559	1,098	60,072	127,406	70,675
Victorian Free Church	1	1	...	1	104	280	140
Presbyterian Church of Victoria ...	229	507	492	999	56,300	98,200	81,264
Free Presbyterian	5	15	13	28	2,470	551	655
Wesleyan Methodist	153	585	448	1,033	1,730	116,100	117,100
Primitive Methodist	39	127	42	169	10,565	20,365	13,087
United Methodist Free Church ...	21	54	30	84	7,800	13,600	5,500
Bible Christian	36	120	77	197	17,958	19,000	12,737
Independent or Congregational ¹ ...	59	62	114	176	6,401	20,970	13,100
Baptist	71	94	72	166	10,853	26,080	14,052
Evangelical Lutheran	21	38	26	64	2,769	6,410	3,757
Unitarian	1	1	...	1	104	500	150
Church of Christ	19	62	33	95	9,250	12,500	6,250
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist ² ...	1	1	1	2	104	500	120
Society of Friends ... ..	...	2	...	2	208	175	65
United Brethren or Moravian ...	2	2	...	2	156	300	90
Australian Church	1	1	...	1	104	1,300	1,300
Unattached (Mariners' Church) ...	1	1	...	1	104	250	200
Seventh Day Adventists ²	3	1	6	7	312	466	390
Free Christian Church	1	...	6	6	104	900	350
Roman Catholic Church ³	196	405	179	584	34,046	123,000	131,169
New Church (or Swedenborgian) ...	2	2	...	2	60	250	48
Catholic Apostolic Church	4	1	...	1	208	350	258
Christian Israelites	1	1	...	1	156	200	150
Spiritualists ² ... ..	...	...	2	2	104	2,000	800
Salvation Army	13*	62	230	292	39,400	76,600	51,500
Our Father's Church	1	...	1	1	52	250	125
Greek Orthodox Church	1	1	...	1	52	200	100
Jews	9	6	...	6	874	2,180	552
Total	1,133	2,691	2,331	5,022	166,501	672,802	525,684

¹ The information not having been furnished since 1891, the figures for that year have been repeated.—² The information not having been furnished for 1898, the figures previously supplied have been repeated.—³ These figures are only approximate. Information relating to the Diocese of Ballarat not having been furnished for 1898, the figures previously supplied have been used.

* Number of officers registered to celebrate marriages. In addition to this number there were 134 staff-officers, 202 field-officers, 60 officers connected with social institutions, and 54 cadets.

CHURCHES, CHAPELS, ETC.—RETURN FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

Year.	Religious Denominations.												Total.	
	Church of England.		Roman Catholic.		Presbyterian.		Methodist. ¹		Other Christians. ²		Jews.			
	Number of Buildings used for Public Worship.	Number of Persons for whom Accommodation is provided.	Number of Buildings used for Public Worship.	Number of Persons for whom Accommodation is provided.	Number of Buildings used for Public Worship.	Number of Persons for whom Accommodation is provided.	Number of Buildings used for Public Worship.	Number of Persons for whom Accommodation is provided.	Number of Buildings used for Public Worship.	Number of Persons for whom Accommodation is provided.	Number of Buildings used for Public Worship.	Number of Persons for whom Accommodation is provided.	Number of Buildings used for Public Worship.	Number of Persons for whom Accommodation is provided.
1888	982	108,566	548	113,549	919	95,250	1,299	183,984	540	95,379	7	2,425	4,295	599,153
1889	1,000	113,549	539	114,869	933	97,030	1,485	190,758	628	117,363	7	2,700	4,592	636,269
1890	997	115,268	531	123,588	932	97,490	1,406	154,036	691	121,703	6	2,850	4,583	614,935
1891	1,039	117,863	549	122,528	945	98,380	1,443	172,622	751	130,078	6	2,850	4,733	644,321
1892	1,065	125,211	562	129,316	920	97,630	1,293	152,824	745	132,154	6	2,450	4,591	639,885
1893	1,083	122,416	567	126,995	928	98,476	1,346	160,385	829	129,005	7	2,620	4,760	659,897
1894	1,082	126,096	570	120,595	938	98,870	1,405	154,530	827	135,843	6	2,300	4,828	638,234
1895	1,081	127,652	570	125,820	947	98,760	1,386	163,517	819	135,633	6	2,300	4,809	653,682
1896	1,088	128,221	574	126,272	973	97,000	1,382	154,433	870	139,808	6	2,200	4,893	647,934
1897	1,098	130,290	579	129,737	999	99,590	1,359	161,482	831	146,746	6	2,200	4,872	670,045
1898	1,098	127,406	584	123,000	1,027	100,670	1,483	169,065	824	150,481	6	2,180	5,022	672,802

¹ Including Bible Christians. — The Spiritualists, although not strictly speaking Christians, and the Victorian Free Church (late Free Church of England) are included under this heading.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

RETURN for the Year ended 31st December, 1898, of the Number of Sunday Schools, the Number of Teachers, the Number of Scholars on the Rolls, and the Average Number attending in connexion with the different Religious Denominations throughout the Colony for that year.

Denominations.	Number of Sunday or Sabbath Schools.	Number of Teachers.			Number of Scholars on the Rolls.			Average Number of Scholars attending.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Protestant Churches—										
Church of England ...	591	1,254	3,162	4,416	16,561	22,567	50,890	16,160	20,538	36,698
Victorian Free Church ...	1	4	8	12	58	95	153	63	78	141
Presbyterian Church of Victoria	619	...	...	3,961	...	...	41,000	...	...	34,920
Free Presbyterian ...	5	7	11	18	61	84	145	41	68	109
Wesleyan Methodist ...	602	2,436	3,037	5,473	24,606	28,894	53,500	15,126	20,144	35,270
Primitive Methodist ...	120	489	510	999	4,200	4,674	8,874	2,830	3,211	6,041
United Methodist Free Church	60	150	243	393	1,600	1,955	3,555	1,395	1,670	2,975
Bible Christian ...	105	358	451	809	2,980	3,558	6,538	2,240	2,344	4,584
Independent or Congregational ¹	72	369	452	821	3,102	3,215	6,317	2,602	3,001	5,603
Baptist ...	100	457	545	1,002	4,740	6,064	11,050	3,399	4,238	7,637
Evangelical Lutheran ...	28	42	22	64	442	465	907	362	390	752
Unitarian ...	1	...	1	1	8	6	14	6	3	9
Church of Christ ...	61	246	221	467	2,226	2,559	4,785	1,955	2,145	4,100
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist ² ...	1	5	6	11	79	55	134	...	...	100
United Brethren or Moravian ...	2	1	3	4	13	14	27	13	14	27
Australian Church ...	1	5	6	11	45	60	105	40	50	90
Unattached (Mariners' Church)	1	1	1	2	84	105	189	65	87	152
Seventh Day Adventists (Saturday Schools) ²										
Free Christian Church ...	12	31	50	81	216	316	532	170	249	419
Roman Catholic Church ³ ...	335	349	1,120	1,469	13,569	18,708	32,277	9,527	12,427	21,954
New Church (or Swedenborgian)	1	3	2	5	15	15	30	12	14	26
Spiritualists ² ...	1	6	6	12	81	95	176	71	87	158
Salvation Army ...	107	140	280	420	1,530	2,631	4,211	980	2,120	3,100
Jews ...	6	7	8	15	160	150	310	122	122	244
Christian Israelites ...	1	2	3	5	18	18	36	18	18	36
Total ...	2,835	6,367	10,156	20,484	76,484	96,366	225,858	57,142	73,074	165,236

NOTE.—Some of the denominations have not distinguished the sexes of teachers and scholars, hence the sum of the males and females in the total does not agree with the total of both sexes.

¹ The information not having been furnished since 1863, the figures for that year have been repeated.

² The information not having been furnished for 1898, the figures previously supplied have been repeated.

³ These figures are only approximate.

AGES OF SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS, 1898.

Ages.	Scholars on the Roll.			Scholars in Average Attendance.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 6 Years ...	12,987	16,918	29,905	8,628	11,161	19,789
6 to 13 Years ...	35,192	44,586	79,778	25,606	32,680	58,286
13 Years and Upwards ...	16,506	20,614	37,120	11,291	15,133	26,424
Total Specified Ages ...	64,685	82,118	146,803	45,525	58,974	104,499
Unspecified ...	11,731*	14,182*	25,913	11,568*	14,037*	25,605
Total ...	...	...	225,858	...	...	165,236

* Exclusive of those whose sex was unspecified.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—RETURN FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

Year.	Church of England.			Roman Catholic.			Presbyterian.			Methodist. ¹			Other Christians.*			Jews, (Saturday Schools.)			Total.		
	Number of Schools.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Number of Schools.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Number of Schools.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Number of Schools.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Number of Schools.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Number of Schools.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	
1888	460	3,750	30,080	280	1,342	18,916	414	2,860	28,907	774	7,106	44,357	256	2,247	18,780	7	18	258	2,191	17,323	159,118
1889	481	3,737	30,312	294	1,453	22,080	455	3,118	30,698	774	7,216	41,272	274	2,440	18,961	6	19	247	2,284	17,983	143,570
1890	488	3,379	41,072	299	859	10,153	455	2,484	18,731	778	5,188	31,047	300	2,591	14,129	5	17	142	2,345	14,688	115,274
1891	521	3,904	31,695	299	1,320	21,912	476	3,424	34,319	785	7,272	40,573	328	2,621	21,033	5	19	280	2,414	18,566	149,812
1892	520	3,918	32,302	323	1,307	22,257	507	3,562	33,321	765	7,358	44,862	342	2,671	24,876	6	18	246	2,465	18,854	157,864
1893	539	4,118	33,491	317	1,429	21,420	527	3,793	34,497	820	7,580	45,378	341	2,727	19,882	6	22	326	2,552	19,658	154,996
1894	518	4,176	33,165	323	1,465	20,712	531	3,816	34,602	820	7,690	45,959	348	2,678	20,282	7	24	284	2,567	19,869	155,006
1895	554	4,177	31,003	323	1,444	20,974	550	3,858	35,778	822	7,472	46,567	388	2,920	20,923	7	22	294	2,644	19,893	158,140
1896	566	4,288	36,125	326	1,495	21,888	584	3,786	34,877	854	7,407	49,237	395	2,893	21,268	7	23	301	2,732	19,792	163,796
1897	596	4,447	37,359	324	1,455	21,781	591	3,805	34,877	854	7,519	47,518	407	2,890	22,011	7	16	236	2,777	20,131	165,782
1898	591	4,416	36,698	315	1,469	21,954	621	3,979	35,029	887	7,674	48,870	392	2,931	22,441	6	15	244	2,835	20,484	165,236

¹ Including Bible Christians.

² The Spiritualists, although perhaps not strictly speaking Christians, and the Victorian Free Church (late Free Church of England) are included under this heading.

³ The numbers of teachers and scholars for 1890 were ascertained from the returns of the census taken on the 5th April, 1891. The number of schools was furnished by the heads or clergy of the different denominations.

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY.—RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.—RETURN FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

Year.	Receipts.								Expenditure.		
	Government Aid.		College Fees.		Other Sources.		Total.		£	s.	d.
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.			
1888	15,500	0 0	13,281	18 0	806	7 11	29,588	5 11	32,042	2 6	
1889	16,500	0 0	14,983	5 4	816	0 8	32,299	6 0	32,651	13 0	
1890	16,500	0 0	14,959	6 9	815	13 1	32,274	19 10	31,919	7 6	
1891	16,875	0 0	16,252	17 10	779	17 6	33,907	15 4	33,215	10 8	
1892	17,000	0 0	16,990	14 8	982	11 7	34,973	6 3	35,011	7 3	
1893	14,250	0 0	16,344	4 8	1,091	19 3	31,686	3 11	32,531	4 6	
1894	13,750	0 0	15,783	6 6	1,231	6 8	30,764	13 2	31,076	17 4	
1895	13,000	0 0	15,620	0 0	1,275	4 6	29,895	4 6	29,799	11 2	
1896	12,250	0 0	15,358	14 6	828	4 7	28,436	19 1	29,394	5 11	
1897	12,250	0 0	15,913	13 6	874	2 7	29,037	16 1	30,135	14 6	
1898	12,750	0 0	15,171	0 0	727	15 3	28,648	15 3	29,915	6 0	

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY.—NUMBER OF STUDENTS.—1880 TO 1898.

Year.	Sex.	Number Matriculated.		Matriculated Students attending Lectures in—							Non-Matriculated Students attending Lectures in—					Total Number of Matriculated and Non-Matriculated Students attending Lectures.
		Each Year.	Total from the commencement.	Arts.	Laws.	Engineering.	Medicine.	Science.	Music.	Total.	Arts.	Laws.	Engineering.	Medicine.	Music.		Total.
1880	Men ...	138	1,463	72	52	34	136	...	...	294	...	...	...	...	...	294
	Women	13	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1881	Men ...	152	1,615	92	68	42	159	...	...	361	...	...	...	...	...	361
	Women	20	33	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
1882	Men ...	131	1,746	90	89	38	175	...	...	392	...	...	...	...	...	392
	Women	4	37	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
1883	Men ...	124	1,870	105	83	26	169	...	...	383	...	...	...	...	...	383
	Women	4	41	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
1884	Men ...	162	2,032	130	75	25	196	...	...	426	...	...	...	...	...	426
	Women	11	52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1885	Men ...	143	2,075	150	76	10	198	...	...	434	...	...	...	...	...	434
	Women	11	63	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
1886	Men ...	136	2,311	148	61	9	212	...	...	430	...	...	2	...	2	432
	Women	18	81	18	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	18
1887	Men ...	159	2,470	167	58	5	241	...	...	471	...	...	...	...	...	471
	Women	19	100	14	...	...	7	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	21
1888	Men ...	124	2,594	175	69	74	244	7	...	599	...	...	1	...	1	510
	Women	22	122	21	...	...	7	1	...	29	2	...	...	...	2	31
1889	Men ...	173	2,767	183	84	11	211	6	...	495	2	...	...	...	2	497
	Women	19	141	26	...	...	12	1	...	39	1	...	...	...	1	40
1890	Men ...	141	2,908	210	84	15	204	7	...	520	6	1	...	...	7	527
	Women	13	154	30	...	...	13	...	...	43	...	...	...	...	...	43
1891	Men ...	89	3,097	146	102	90	199	12	28	577	3	1	1	...	5	582
	Women	20	174	29	...	...	13	2	2	46	...	...	...	24	24	70
1892	Men ...	191	3,288	149	125	100	193	5	9	581	3	...	1	2	6	587
	Women	29	203	37	...	...	13	4	4	58	1	...	...	20	21	79
1893	Men ...	113	3,401	141	126	92	182	3	1	545	3	...	6	3	15	560
	Women	21	224	43	...	...	16	3	4	66	1	...	...	12	13	79
1894	Men ...	125	3,526	119	110	69	200	4	1	503	4	...	1	5	15	518
	Women	20	244	41	...	...	13	3	4	61	2	...	...	13	15	76
1895	Men ...	117	3,643	122	80	54	224	5	2	487	1	...	1	...	7	496
	Women	24	268	47	...	...	13	2	4	66	1	...	...	2	130	133
1896	Men ...	109	3,752	107	84	49	224	4	...	468	3	...	1	...	11	483
	Women	20	288	48	...	...	12	1	7	68	3	...	...	2	112	117
1897	Men ...	123	3,880	135	39	40	248	11	...	473	4	...	...	6	7	490
	Women	29	317	52	...	...	16	2	4	74	7	...	...	7	108	122
1898	Men ...	96	3,976	110	53	40	245	8	...	461	4	1	...	24	6	496
	Women	21	338	54	1	...	15	5	3	78	8	...	...	1	103	117

NOTE.—The numbers in this table do not always refer to distinct individuals, as a student may attend lectures in two or more courses and is counted once for each course. This return and the two preceding returns were furnished by the Registrar.

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY.—NUMBER OF GRADUATES.—1880 TO 1898.

Year.	Sex.	B.A.		M.A.		M.B.		M.D.		Ch.B.		Ch.M.		LL.B.		LL.M.		LL.D.		B.C. E.		M.C. E.		B.Sc.		M. Sc.		D. Sc.		Mus. Bac.		Mus. Doc.		Total.		
		Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	Direct.	Ad eundem.	
Prior to 1880	Men	107	72	154	115	184	10	27	76	136	2	2	127	6	22	..	8	17	1	2	15	..	1	983	305
	Women	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..
1880	Men	24	6	21	4	17	..	6	5	25	..	2	7	..	2	..	..	1	1	2	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	114	16
	Women	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..
1889	Men	23	8	18	3	32	..	3	2	24	..	..	11	1	2	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	120	15
	Women	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..
1890	Men	28	4	16	5	15	1	2	..	17	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	94	10
	Women	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..
1891	Men	32	4	13	4	24	..	1	6	16	..	1	8	..	4	2	..	..	..	7	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	109	16
	Women	8	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	..
1892	Men	28	3	12	3	28	..	4	..	16	..	..	11	1	3	..	..	..	1	7	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	113	8
	Women	7	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	..
1893	Men	26	..	9	2	20	1	1	..	17	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	1	..	13	8	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	108	3
	Women	..	1	3	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1
1894	Men	20	1	16	2	24	..	..	..	10	..	1	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	10	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	97	3
	Women	4	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..
1895	Men	31	2	13	..	21	..	1	..	20	..	..	19	1	1	..	..	..	..	14	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	124	3
	Women	7	..	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..
1896	Men	21	2	12	2	15	..	..	..	20	..	..	15	..	3	..	1	1	13	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	105	6
	Women	8	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..
1897	Men	19	..	14	1	37	1	1	1	20	..	..	12	..	4	..	1	..	16	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	126	3
	Women	9	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	..
1898	Men	32	2	14	..	17	..	2	3	21	..	..	19	..	4	1	..	..	..	8	8	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	130	6
	Women	9	1	3	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	1
Total	Men	591	104	312	141	435	13	48	93	342	2	6	256	9	46	3	13	20	99	4	54	14	3	5	..	2	2	1	..	1	..	..	2223	394	
	Women	70	2	30	..	20	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	159	2
	..	767	..	483	..	468	..	141	..	356	..	6	265	..	49	..	33	..	101	..	54	20	8	2	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	2,758	..	

NOTE.—On the 22nd March, 1880, the University was thrown open to women students who have since been admitted to all its corporate privileges.

WORKING MEN'S COLLEGE.—RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.—(I.)

RETURN showing the Receipts and Expenditure of the Working Men's College, Melbourne, from the Year 1882 to the 31st December, 1898.

Period.	Receipts.					Expenditure.			
	From Government.	Subscriptions and Donations.	Students' Fees.	Sundries.	Total.	Buildings and Repairs.	Salaries and Wages.	Other Expenditure.	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1882 to 30th June, 1889	11,000	11,427	3,427	3,539	29,393	12,839	5,301	5,980	24,120
Year ended 30th June, 1890	15,000	9,108	2,645	591	27,344	11,593	4,816	2,474	18,883
„ „ 1891	7,000	1,774	3,035	486	12,295	14,566	5,942	2,244	22,752
„ „ 1892	8,500	1,176	3,373	180	13,229	7,705	6,610	4,626	18,941
„ „ 1893	5,950	16	1,601	452	8,019	1,933	3,266	1,355	6,554
„ „ 1894	2,662	90	1,646	3,263	7,661	1,737	3,397	1,494	6,628
Eighteen months ended 31st December, 1895	3,701	35	2,857	106	6,699	36	4,861	1,807	6,704
Year ended 31st December, 1896	2,602	22	2,340	86	5,050	61	3,521	1,347	4,929
Year ended 31st December, 1897	2,906	69	2,794	165	5,934	431	3,922	1,661	6,014
Year ended 31st December, 1898	2,808	22	3,291	162	6,283	55	4,356	2,018	6,429
Total	62,129	23,739	27,009	9,030	121,907	50,956	45,992	25,006	121,954

WORKING MEN'S COLLEGE.—STUDENTS, ETC.—(II.)

RETURN showing the Number of Students, Classes, and Instructors, 1891 to 1898.

Year and Term.	Students enrolled.				Total.	Number of Classes.	Number of Instructors.	Average Fee per Student.	Salaries paid Instructors.
	Males.			Females.					
	Adults over 21.	Indentured Apprentices.	Not Indentured Apprentices.						
								<i>s. d.</i>	<i>£</i>
1891.									
1st Term ...	715	299	778	662	2,454	115	48	6 9	1,040
2nd Term ...	727	316	792	605	2,440	116	49	6 11	1,052
3rd Term ...	713	305	847	777	2,642	120	51	6 9	1,115
4th Term ...	553	238	673	576	2,040	120	51	6 10	1,117
1892.									
1st Term ...	676	284	762	753	2,475	121	54	7 8	1,157
2nd Term ...	597	270	693	654	2,214	126	55	7 6	1,172
3rd Term ...	604	272	733	811	2,420	125	54	7 4	1,163
4th Term ...	471	246	600	644	1,961	127	55	7 3	1,153
1893. ¹									
2nd Term ...	286	119	304	334	1,043	96	38	7 7	539
3rd Term ...	274	130	372	418	1,194	96	38	7 4	473
4th Term ...	204	106	253	264	827	93	38	7 6	476
1894.									
1st Term ...	289	140	411	360	1,200	100	37	7 4	546
2nd Term ...	275	125	381	379	1,160	100	38	7 3	577
3rd Term ...	342	110	448	530	1,430	105	42	7 3	652
4th Term ...	233	105	404	428	1,170	113	42	7 3	332
1895.									
1st Term ...	325	104	503	437	1,369	111	43	7 2	597
2nd Term ...	314	92	493	412	1,311	110	42	7 4	610
3rd Term ...	365	105	547	514	1,531	112	43	7 0	623
4th Term ...	249	98	389	404	1,140	113	44	7 6	612
1896.									
1st Term ...	374	60	692	492	1,648	113	44	6 11	635
2nd Term ...	379	71	701	469	1,620	115	43	7 3	637
3rd Term ...	402	60	714	538	1,734	116	44	7 3	658
4th Term ...	361	62	681	426	1,530	115	43	7 3	671
1897.									
1st Term ...	418	86	754	573	1,831	116	44	7 5	694
2nd Term ...	412	90	750	533	1,785	116	44	7 6	716
3rd Term ...	425	84	740	576	1,825	117	43	7 10	718
4th Term ...	368	77	681	501	1,627	117	44	8 11	789
1898.									
1st Term ...	419	83	742	518	1,762	116	44	8 6	774
2nd Term ...	436	87	785	467	1,775	119	44	9 6	798
3rd Term ...	502	91	895	484	1,972	121	44	9 2	795
4th Term ...	391	79	689	477	1,636	121	44	9 6	901

NOTE.—This and the preceding return were furnished by the Secretary and Director.

¹ College closed during 1st Term.

TECHNICAL SCHOOLS, 1898.
(Under the auspices of the Education Department.)

Name of School.	Number of Students—		Number of Teachers.	Fees paid per Term.	Government Grant for Year.	Number attending State and Private Schools.	Number of Artisans.	Number of Apprentices.	Number of Girls.
	On the Rolls (individual students) 4th Term.	Who attended Seven Times during Fourth Term.							
Schools of Art—									
Ballarat West	123	210	3	5s. to £3 12s.	£ 700	23	31	14	69
Ballarat East	167	183	6	5s. to 10s.	350	42	17	70	79
Elchna	28	26	1	5s.	100	12	2	...	14
Mhill	25	45	1	7s. 6d. to 20s.	150	22	2	...	7
Warrnambool	41	37	1	5s.	125	22	...	3	29
Schools of Mines—									
Barnsdale	72	132	3	5s. to 10s.	539	5	20	16	27
Ballarat	589	769	12	5s. to £8 15s.	2,175	39	...	22	31
Bendigo	160	330	6	7d. 6d. to £3 3s.	1,399	36	122	29	55
Castlemaine	85	147	2	2s. to £2 2s.	437	32	38	12	29
Daylesford	119	100	2	5s. to 20s.	275	106	10	3	102
Kyneton	58	84	3	5s. to 20s.	275	14	20	11	44
Maryborough	40	71	2	5s. to 15s.	250	7	16	8	35
Sale	91	151	2	5s. to £2 15s.	600	64	...	...	83
St. Arnaud	18	31	1	5s. to £1	213	12	9	2	11
Stawell	36	125	2	2s.	650	...	20	16	...
Geelong Technical College	138	124	11	5s. to 21s.	325	33	39	99	20
Horsham Working Men's College	154	147	1	5s. to 10s. 6d.	300	30	24	13	58
Melbourne Working Men's College	1,225	1,156	31	3s. to £2	2,808	87	326	79	336
Total	2,959	3,868	90	...	11,671	586	696	397	999

NOTE.—This Return was furnished by the Secretary for Education.

SUMMARY OF SCHOOLS.
RETURN of the Number of Public and Private Schools, Colleges and Grammar Schools, of the Number of Instructors, and of the Number of Scholars in the Colony of Victoria during the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

Description of Schools.	Number of Schools.	Number of Instructors.		Number of Scholars. ¹	
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
State Schools	1,877	1,788	2,830	4,618	115,743
Private Schools (including Colleges and Grammar Schools)	945	416	2,004	2,440	23,375
Total	2,822	2,224	4,834	7,058	139,118

¹The scholars in State Schools are those whose names appear on the rolls during any portion of the year. The scholars in private schools (which do not receive State aid) are those on the school books at the end of the year named, or during the first quarter of the following year.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS.¹—RELIGIOUS SECTS CONNECTED WITH.

RETURN showing the Religious Sects the Private Schools throughout the Colony of Victoria were connected with during the Year 1898.

Religious Denomination.	Number of Schools.	Number of Teachers.		Number of Scholars.								In the Matriculation Class.	
		Males.	Females.	Under 6 years of age.		Of 6 and under 13 years of age.		Of 13 years of age and upwards.		Total.	Males.	Females.	
				Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.				
Church of England ...	154	62	369	246	238	1,268	1,572	658	841	4,823	132	149	
Presbyterian ...	26	21	58	44	51	254	291	254	277	1,171	42	42	
Wesleyan ...	10	10	27	32	26	99	161	112	145	575	72	21	
Baptist ...	3	...	5	4	8	20	35	1	6	74	...	...
Evangelical Lutheran ...	10	11	2	2	...	103	102	69	34	310	4	...	
Congregational ...	4	1	10	1	5	19	42	3	14	84	2	...	
Roman Catholic ...	221	127	708	1,356	1,509	8,568	8,887	1,476	2,288	24,084	91	155	
Jewish ...	3	3	2	5	2	29	40	2	10	88	2	2	
Religious Instruction given but no Denomination ...	126	78	274	177	166	979	1,160	667	554	3,703	213	99	
No Religious Instruction given ...	388	123	549	679	688	2,181	2,958	1,243	1,265	9,014	340	200	
Total ...	945	436	2,004	2,546	2,693	13,520	15,248	4,485	5,434	43,926	898	668	

¹ Including Colleges and Grammar Schools.

STATE SCHOOLS.—TEACHERS AND SCHOLARS.

RETURN of State Schools in operation during the Year 1898 in the Colony of Victoria, the Number of Teachers Employed, the Number of Children on the Rolls, and the Number in Average Attendance.

Number of Schools in Operation on 31st December, 1898.	Number of Teachers employed on 31st December, 1898.									Number of Scholars in Attendance during the Year 1898.								
	Males.				Females.					On Rolls. ¹			Average Attendance.					
	Head Teachers.	Assistants.	Pupil Teachers.	Monitors.	Total.	Head Teachers.	Assistants.	sewing-mistresses.	Pupil Teachers.	Monitors.	Unclassified.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.			
Day, 1,874	1,201	155	375	57	1,788	515	558	406	1,178	155	18	2,830	122,018	115,701	237,719	69,923	64,922	134,845
Night, 3													596	42	638	123	8	131
Total, 1,877	1,201	155	375	57	1,788	515	558	406	1,178	155	18	2,830	122,614	115,743	238,357	70,046	64,930	134,976

¹ The figures in these columns represent the total number of children on the rolls of State Schools during 1898 uncorrected for attendances at more than one school. It is estimated that 212,164 distinct individual children attended these schools during the year. This return was furnished by the Secretary for Education.

STATE SCHOOLS.—EXPENDITURE, 1898.

RETURN showing the Expenditure of State Schools in the Colony during the Year 1898, distinguishing the Expenditure of Funds obtained from Private Sources from those granted by Government.

Items of Expenditure.	Amount.
<i>Contributed by State.</i>	
Salaries ...	£ 323,463
Results ...	116,241
Bonuses ...	...
Training ...	...
Books and Requisites ...	4,874
Boards of Advice Elections ...	11
Cleaning (Maintenance) ...	30,246
Exhibitions and Scholarships ...	1,358
Inspector of Drawing ...	64
Total (exclusive of Buildings and Rent) ...	476,257
Buildings ...	14,429
Rent ...	1,924
<i>From Private Sources.</i>	
Extra Subjects ...	4,822
Total Expenditure ...	497,432

NOTE. This return was furnished by the Secretary for Education.

COST OF STATE PRIMARY INSTRUCTION.*—1852 TO 1898.

Year.	Amounts received from—			Year.	Amounts received from—		
	Government.	Local Contributions, School Fees, Extra Subjects, &c.	Total.		Government.	Local Contributions, School Fees, Extra Subjects, &c.	Total.
	£	£	£		£	£	£
1852	7,763	5,732	13,495	1875	544,758	3,659	548,417
1853	36,691	24,418	60,509	1876	506,386	4,023	510,409
1854	66,766	40,399	107,165	1877	672,732	4,586	677,318
1855	70,663	44,436	115,099	1878	590,547	3,601	594,148
1856	85,757	50,390	136,147	1879	527,942	3,699	531,641
1857	102,133	53,120	155,453	1880	562,035	4,081	566,118
1858	98,752	48,898	147,650	1881	521,816	4,469	526,285
1859	110,629	57,690	168,289	1882	571,012	4,482	575,494
1860	110,155	61,452	171,607	1883	542,511	4,832	547,343
1861	105,714	56,813	162,527	1884	559,470	4,496	563,966
1862	101,984	53,387	155,371	1885	564,489	3,749	568,238
1863	109,931	62,422	172,353	1886	588,680	3,549	592,229
1864	130,137	68,118	198,255	1887	604,509	2,447	606,956
1865	140,310	67,492	207,822	1888	645,875	2,238	648,113
1866	154,673	76,305	230,978	1889	707,209	2,042	709,251
1867	165,449	88,767	254,216	1890	714,557	2,391	716,948
1868	149,329	89,652	238,981	1891	724,264	2,447	726,711
1869	153,994	93,768	247,762	1892	654,775	2,216	656,991
1870	167,194	107,190	274,384	1893	606,234	1,539	607,773
1871	182,203	117,868	300,071	1894	524,879	1,902	526,781
1872	338,182	6,174	344,356	1895	497,710	1,478	499,188
1873	537,540	4,438	541,978	1896	478,526	1,780	480,306
1874				1897	487,097	5,045	492,142
				1898	492,610	4,822	497,432

Note.—The National and Denominational systems of Education were in force concurrently until the 1st September, 1862, at which date they were blended into one system under the Common Schools Act (25 Vict. No. 149). This was repealed by the Education Act 1872, which came into force on the 1st January, 1873.

* Inclusive of expenditure on construction and maintenance of buildings, but exclusive of retiring allowances, &c., to teachers. For cost exclusive of buildings for financial years, see Part "Finance, &c." ante.

COLLEGES AND GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

RETURN of the various Colleges and Grammar Schools throughout the Colony of Victoria for the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

Name of Institution.	Religious Denomination connected with.	Government Grant towards Buildings. ¹	Number of Masters. ²	Number of Students.		
				6 and under 13 years.	13 years and upwards.	Total.
Melbourne Grammar School ³	Church of England	£				
Geelong Grammar School ⁴		13,784	10	45	115	160
Scotch College (Melbourne) ⁵	Presbyterian Church of Victoria	7,000	8	12	99	111
Wesley College (Melbourne) ⁶		6,445	11	73	188	261
St. Patrick's College (Melbourne) ⁷	Roman Catholic	2,769	8	42	140	182
St. Francis Xavier's College (Kew) ⁸		10,002	9	22	41	63
		...	14	31	79	110
	Total	40,000	60	225	662	887

¹ These amounts were received many years since. No Government aid has ever been given towards maintenance.—² Regular masters only. Visiting masters are not included.—³ In connexion with the Melbourne Grammar School there are two "Foundation Scholarships" giving exemption from tuition fees for boys under 14, open only to members of the school tenable at it for three years; a "Wetherby Scholarship" of the same value; and several entrance scholarships offered by the Head Master for open competition.—⁴ A scholarship of the value of £60 per annum, tenable for two years, has been given by Mrs. F. W. Armytage, the conditions of tenure being that the holder shall be a resident student of Trinity College, Melbourne, and shall have been for at least two years previously a pupil of the Church of England Grammar School, Geelong. A scholarship of the value of 60 guineas per annum is given annually by the Head Master for the benefit of the sons of clergymen of the Church of England; two scholarships of the value of 12 guineas are awarded annually to day boys; these three scholarships are open to boys under 14 years of age, and are tenable for four years.—⁵ In connexion with the Scotch College, scholarships of the value of 10 or 20 guineas each are given to students who gain a satisfactory position in the class honour lists at the Matriculation Examination, such scholarships to be tenable for one year. Several entrance scholarships are also given of the value of 10 or 20 guineas, tenable for two years. These are open to be competed for by all boys entering the college, irrespective of their former place of education. Candidates must be under 14 years of age on the 1st of January succeeding the examination, and if successful must, prior to being awarded a scholarship, furnish a certificate of birth signed by a Registrar of Births.—⁶ In connexion with the Wesley College the objects are—(1) To impart a sound general education; (2) to prepare pupils for agricultural pursuits. Eight scholarships are offered for competition—the "Walter Powell" of £20 a year for two years, tenable at the University; the "Draper" of £25, tenable for one year at the college; four scholarships of the value of 16 guineas for boys in the college; and two entrance scholarships, also of 16 guineas each.—⁷ St. Francis Xavier's College was opened during the year 1872, and many of the scholars were transferred to it from St. Patrick's, of which it is a branch.

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS.—RETURN FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

Year.	Public Schools. ¹					Private Schools (including Colleges, Grammar Schools, &c.).			
	Number of Schools. ²	Number of Scholars on the Rolls. (Gross Enrolment.)			Number of Distinct Scholars (estimated).	Number of Schools.	Number of Scholars. (On Rolls at end of Year.)		
		Boys.	Girls.	Total.			Boys.	Girls.	Total.
1888	1,933	125,645	116,401	242,046	197,115	753	19,396	20,895	40,291
1889	2,062	130,135	120,294	250,429	202,822	782	19,825	20,356	40,181
1890	2,170	129,932	120,165	250,097	213,886	791	20,186	19,995	40,181
1891	2,233	131,282	122,187	253,469	218,081	759	17,941	19,262	37,203
1892	2,140	129,209	120,577	249,786	215,020	745	17,568	18,776	36,344
1893	2,038	122,232	114,276	236,508	206,075	826	16,740	19,002	35,742
1894	1,956	119,697	111,624	231,321	203,409	867	17,863	20,199	38,062
1895	1,922	119,653	112,399	232,052	205,486	938	18,686	21,507	40,193
1896	1,886	121,178	114,439	235,617	209,016	930	19,681	22,363	42,044
1897	1,877	122,414	115,894	238,308	211,438	929	19,976	22,923	42,899
1898	1,877	122,614	115,743	238,357	212,164	945	20,551	23,375	43,926

¹ These were called Common Schools until the end of 1872, since which period they have been called State Schools. — ² Including Night Schools.

MELBOURNE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

RETURN of the Melbourne Public Library for the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

Hours between which it is open.	Cost of Erection.	Amount of Aid from Government.		Private Contributions.							Number of Volumes, Pamphlets, and Parts in Library.	Number of Visits during 1898.			
		Prior to 1898.	During 1898.	Prior to 1898.			During 1898.					To the Institution.	To the Library.		
				Number of Objects.			Number of Objects.								
				Donations.	Under the Copyright Act.	Estimated Value.	Books and Pamphlets.	Maps.	Newspapers.	Under the Copyright Act.				Estimated Value.	
10 a.m. and 10 p.m.	£ s. d. 185,403 16 9	£ 654,118	£ 15,622	556,647	416,066	37,471	23,875	627	13,265	2,108	22,960	1,298	512,268	592,600	341,631

NOTE.—In the free lending library, attached to the institution, there are 12,199 volumes. On the 31st December, 1898, the number of active borrowers was 5,541, and the number of volumes borrowed during the year was 97,756. Of the latter, 51 per cent. related to fiction, 20 per cent. to history, 11 per cent. to general literature, 9 per cent. to religion, philosophy, natural science, and art, 5 per cent. to arts and trades, and 3 per cent. to social science.

NATIONAL GALLERY.

RETURN of the National Gallery for the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

Hours between which it is open.	Number of—				Number of Students.			
	Oil Paintings.	Statuary and Works of Art.	Water-colour Drawings, Engravings, Photographs, &c.	Total.	School of Painting.		School of Design.	
					Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
10 a.m. and 5 p.m.	436	3,455	13,347	17,238	12	12	29	108

INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM.

RETURN of the Industrial and Technological Museum for the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

Hours between which it is open.	Number of Specimens in Museum.
10 a.m. and 5 p.m.	54,172

NOTE.—This return and the two preceding returns were furnished by the Librarian.

NATIONAL MUSEUM.—1888 TO 1898.

Year.	Number of Visitors.	Amount of Aid from Government.			
		Building.	Maintenance.		Total.
			Purchases, &c.	Salaries and Wages.	
£	£	£	£		
1888 ...	133,705	56	909	1,606	2,571
1889 ...	133,065	35	1,285	1,525	2,845
1890 ...	129,253	37	1,402	1,877	3,316
1891 ...	126,014	47	1,563	1,907	3,517
1892 ...	125,527	223	737	1,935	2,895
1893 ...	110,350	93	1,024	1,843	2,960
1894 ...	93,395	27	331	1,846	2,204
1895 ...	88,095	25	328	1,783	2,136
1896 ...	94,336	33	396	1,925	2,354
1897 ...	94,170	34	330	1,838	2,202
1898 ...	95,698	40	366	1,831	2,237

NOTE.—The cost of erecting the National Museum was £8,475. It is open to the public, free of charge on every week day, except Christmas Day and Good Friday, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

NOTE.—This return was furnished by the Director.

SUPREME COURT LIBRARY.

RETURN of the Library of the Supreme Court, Victoria, for the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

Number of Branches, &c.	Total Number of Volumes.	Amount expended. ¹			Terms of Admission.	Hours open.	How supported.						
		Prior to 1898.	During 1898.	Total.									
£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.					
Library at Melbourne, and 18 branches in the Assize Towns	23,040	40,498	19	7	1,242	0	5	41,741	0	0	Free to members of the Legal Profession	From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon	By fees paid under Act of Parliament and Rules of Court for admission of Barristers and Attorneys.

¹ Including salaries, &c.

NOTE.—This return was furnished by the Librarian.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES, MECHANICS' INSTITUTES, ETC.—RETURN FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

Year.	Number of Institutions.	Cost of Erection.	Receipts.					Total Receipts.	Number of Volumes.	Visits paid.	
			From Government.	From Municipal Councils.	From Private Contributions.	From other Sources.	Number of Institutions which kept account.			Number of Visits to such Institutions.	
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£				
1888	350	403,873	30,327	...	38,577	...	68,904	646,784	212	2,651,571	
1889	379	403,171	33,764	...	40,252	...	74,016	688,650	344	3,083,488	
1890	380	449,714	81,703	...	38,853	...	120,556	722,282	339	2,879,491	
1891	405	512,617	50,225	...	37,956	...	88,221	813,319	361	3,102,614	
1892	421	539,885	41,230	...	36,948	...	78,178	894,107	387	3,390,018	
1893	427	553,795	26,985	...	32,462	...	59,447	953,784	396	3,405,465	
1894	437	590,567	20,709	...	29,682	...	50,391	1,000,349	408	3,467,145	
1895	424	590,262	16,741	...	31,085	...	47,826	1,029,743	386	3,289,655	
1896	435	625,366	15,570	...	29,207	...	44,777	1,084,870	391	3,324,997	
1897	419	623,548	17,362	2,611	9,067	17,020	46,060	1,074,767	327	3,162,362	
1898	367	607,115	18,778	2,575	9,742	14,967	46,062	1,054,881	330	2,804,346	

NOTE.—The statistics of the Melbourne Public Library are embodied in this return, as well as those of other institutions throughout the colony. For particulars relating to the Melbourne Public Library see table on the preceding page.

HOSPITALS, BENEVOLENT AND ORPHAN ASYLUMS.—RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

Return of the Receipts and Expenditure of the various Hospitals, Benevolent and Orphan Asylums, throughout the Colony of Victoria, &c.—continued.

BENEVOLENT ASYLUMS.

Where Situated.	Receipts.										Expenditure.					Assets ²	Liabilities.	Endowment or other Special Funds.		
	Government Aid.	Municipal Grants or Donations.	Private Contributions.	Proceeds of Entertainments and Proceods in Aid.	Legacies, Bequests, Special Donations, and Proceods of Estates.	Hospital Sunday and Church Collections.	Payments and Contributions of Indoor Patients.	Out-Patients' Fees, &c.	Interest.	Other Sources.	Total.	Buildings and Extraordinary Repairs.	Maintenance.	Outdoor Relief.	Miscellaneous (including Interest).				Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£		
Ballarat	4,250	572	1,275	209	37	94	93	...	25	114	6,669	...	26	4,989	2,855	8	7,878	26	572	3,330
Beechworth	1,750	110	985	...	4	2	85	...	4	56	2,996	...	28	2,520	684	36	3,268	...	655	157
Bendigo	2,800	285	439	640	138	308	597	...	517	118	5,842	76	53	3,831	1,996	95	6,031	1,192	3,564	15,023
Castlemaine	1,100	150	284	40	26	-26	33	...	30	347	2,936	...	42	1,522	626	22	2,212	...	454	1,310
Melbourne	5,625	154	1,037	...	2,567	444	272	...	1,206	238	11,563	...	443	9,212	...	60	9,715	1,308	850	38,051
Melbourne (Immigrants' Home)	6,600	57	231	...	172	105	121	...	...	433	7,739	55	211	7,507	...	19	7,792	375	505	513
Total	22,125	1,328	4,251	889	2,944	979	1,201	...	1,782	1,346	36,845	131	803	29,581	6,161	240	36,916	2,901	6,000	58,384

ORPHAN ASYLUMS.

Ballarat	1,250	178	725	...	...	90	22	...	56	188	2,509	103	...	2,494	...	53	2,740	250	1,282	1,078
Geelong	450	15	295	9	50	28	35	...	235	27	1,144	2,189	...	1,236	...	63	3,488	235	2,228	4,700
Melbourne	650	12	555	14	47	16	156	...	8	103	1,561	129	...	1,365	...	...	1,533	...	306	430
Total	2,061	149	1,198	...	41	16	65	...	...	...	6,941	210	...	1,329	...	3	6,971	500	650	2,369
Protestant	800	57	820	7	491	16	232	...	313	27	2,763	495	...	2,332	...	...	2,797	...	267	10,332
Roman Catholic	700	54	297	3	489	16	101	...	124	30	1,814	...	...	1,889	...	2	1,936	258	...	2,376
Total	6,561	466	3,939	599	1,163	233	670 ³	...	4,055	438	18,124	3,186	271	17,192	...	189	20,838	1,243	4,812	21,285

Note.—The returns of receipts and expenditure represent the net receipts and net expenditure, exclusive of credit and debit balances, bank overdrafts, loans, contractors' deposits, &c. The returns, where necessary, have been corrected from the balance-sheets.

¹ The cost of outdoor relief is represented by one-third of the expenditure on drugs and one-third of the medical officer's salary. ² The Assets include balance of Government Grant not received and interest due. ³ Contributions from relatives and friends of children.

HOSPITALS, BENEVOLENT AND ORPHAN ASYLUMS.—BIRTHPLACES OF INMATES.

RETURN of the Birthplaces of the Patients in the various Hospitals, and of the Inmates of the various Benevolent and Orphan Asylums, throughout the Colony of Victoria during the Year ended 30th June, 1898.

Where Situated.	HOSPITALS.									
	Total.	Birthplaces.								
		Australasian Colonies.	England and Wales.	Scotland.	Ireland.	Other British Possessions.	Foreign Countries (exclusive of China).	China.	At Sea.	Birthplace unknown.
Alexandra...	48	21	11	6	6	...	3	...	...	1
Amherst ...	535	322	109	24	36	10	26	8	...	...
Ararat * ...	379	182	70	24	51	6	19	27	...	...
Bairnsdale ...	173	88	32	9	22	1	13	8	...	...
Ballarat ...	1,477	995	200	56	153	3	37	31	...	2
Beechworth ...	501	209	81	35	64	5	40	67	...	...
Bendigo ...	1,950	1,246	269	49	250	10	69	45	...	12
Castlemaine ...	528	319	86	23	46	2	30	22	...	...
Clunes ...	166	74	60	6	23	...	3	...	...	...
Colac ...	164	102	22	6	29	2	3	...	...	...
Creswick ...	337	240	34	10	40	1	9	3	...	...
Daylesford * ...	200	80	43	12	32	...	25	8	...	...
Dunolly ...	452	188	110	19	65	...	54	13	...	3
Echuca ...	292	200	34	19	31	1	7	...	...	...
Geelong * ...	1,107	688	213	86	173	9	24	4	...	...
Hamilton ...	401	265	62	21	39	...	9	4	...	1
Heathcote... ..	123	38	52	5	14	2	11	1	...	...
Horslam ...	250	160	30	12	30	1	15	...	...	2
Inglewood... ..	406	192	97	32	53	...	27	5	...	...
Kilmore ...	150	62	26	6	43	...	13	...	...	...
Kyneton ...	463	242	61	25	114	4	15	2	...	...
Maldon * ...	103	34	29	7	18	1	4	10	...	...
Mansfield ...	96	55	15	9	13	...	1	3	...	...
Maryborough ...	423	278	63	12	34	4	21	10	1	...
Melbourne ...	4,918	2,897	908	217	495	37	245	53	...	66
Melbourne (Alfred) ...	1,836	1,140	344	82	154	19	67	3	...	27
Melbourne (Austin, for Incurables)	242	65	90	24	39	2	17	1	...	4
Melbourne (Homœopathic) ...	856	595	145	35	54	6	17	...	...	3
Mildura ...	75	37	20	3	10	1	3	...	...	1
Mooroopna ...	671	341	100	35	150	10	32	2	...	1
Nhill ...	132	99	14	4	8	...	7	...	...	...
Omeo ...	45	24	12	...	6	...	1	2	...	...
Port Fairy * ...	80	28	9	4	39	...	...	...	...	...
Portland * ...	43	8	18	5	8	...	4	...	...	...
Sale ...	386	233	65	20	50	4	14	...	...	...
St. Arnaud ...	355	203	51	30	34	4	23	10	...	...
Stawell * ...	356	168	85	23	52	4	14	7	...	3
Swan Hill... ..	180	120	28	9	13	3	6	...	...	1
Walhalla ...	5	1	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...
Wangaratta ...	475	313	52	20	58	10	10	12	...	...
Warracknabeal ...	151	110	13	11	9	2	4	...	...	2
Warrnambool * ...	251	116	44	11	69	4	6	1	...	...
Williamstown ...	50	25	14	1	6	4	...	...	...	...
Wood's Point ...	105	37	32	6	18	...	9	3	...	...
Total ...	22,026	12,841	3,854	1,053	2,651	172	960	365	1	129

BENEVOLENT ASYLUMS.

Ballarat ...	538	116	182	65	141	3	17	11	...	3
Beechworth ...	165	2	43	25	62	2	17	14	...	...
Bendigo ...	450	83	161	52	95	7	37	15	...	...
Castlemaine ...	151	10	64	22	27	...	14	14	...	...
Melbourne ...	957	30	412	118	319	6	54	18	...	...
Melbourne (Immigrants' Home)	1,175	146	497	147	275	29	81	...	...	...
Total ...	3,436	387	1,359	429	919	47	220	72	...	3

ORPHAN ASYLUMS.

Ballarat ...	202	198	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Geelong { Protestant ...	92	92	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Geelong { Roman Catholic—Boys ...	166	158	4	...	3	1	...	...	...	...
Geelong { Roman Catholic—Girls ...	131	131	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Melbourne { Protestant ...	554	533	8	2	1	3	...	...	...	7
Melbourne { Roman Catholic—Boys ...	225	214	2	1	3	...	5	...	...	...
Melbourne { Roman Catholic—Girls ...	170	151	1	...	4	2	6	...	...	6
Total ...	1,540	1,477	19	3	11	6	11	...	...	13

* This institution is also a Benevolent Asylum.

HOSPITALS, BENEVOLENT AND ORPHAN ASYLUMS.—RELIGIONS OF INMATES.

RETURN of the Religions of the Patients in the various Hospitals, and of the Inmates of the various Benevolent and Orphan Asylums, throughout the Colony of Victoria during the Year ended 30th June, 1898.

Where Situated.	HOSPITALS.													
	Total.	Church of England.	Presbyterians.	Methodists (Westlyans, &c.)	Independents.	Baptists.	Salvation Army.	Other Protestants, and Protestants unspecified.	Roman Catholics.	Jews.	Buddhists, Confucians, &c.	Other Religions.	No Denomination, and No Religion.	Religion Unknown.
Alexandra	48	19	11	1	...	...	...	1	16	...	...	...	...	...
Amherst	535	212	112	96	...	6	1	15	82	...	5	6	...	...
Ararat*	379	155	61	49	...	...	5	4	80	...	25	...	...	...
Bairnsdale	173	64	27	12	1	...	1	...	49	...	8	...	...	3
Ballarat	1,477	546	191	221	...	21	6	30	407	2	31	22	...	...
Beechworth	501	148	64	43	14	2	7	20	140	...	62	1	...	...
Bendigo	1,950	676	155	233	17	66	18	62	661	5	45	1	...	11
Castlemaine	528	173	57	89	3	14	7	49	115	...	21	...	...	...
Clunes	166	54	23	36	...	...	...	16	37	...	...	...	...	...
Colac	164	64	27	15	...	...	3	5	49	...	1	...	...	...
Creswick	337	109	44	52	1	12	1	...	113	...	5	...	...	...
Daylesford*	200	77	34	18	...	...	...	2	64	...	5	...	...	...
Dunolly	452	205	40	56	2	5	4	19	109	...	6	...	...	...
Echuca	292	98	46	30	...	6	9	11	92	...	...	...	...	...
Geelong*	1,197	440	157	175	...	25	4	45	350	...	...	1	...	...
Hamilton*	401	159	65	40	...	5	7	11	110	...	4	...	...	...
Heathcote	123	62	8	9	...	2	...	15	22	1	1	2	1	...
Horsham	250	76	43	27	...	...	12	40	52	...	...	...	...	...
Inglewood	406	194	45	32	1	5	3	...	110	...	9	7	...	...
Kilmore	150	42	17	10	...	...	...	5	74	...	2	...	2	...
Kyneton	463	132	64	28	6	9	12	5	204	...	2	...	...	1
Maldon*	103	36	12	7	2	10	...	3	24	...	9	...	...	...
Mansfield	96	39	20	7	...	...	...	2	25	...	...	...	...	3
Maryborough	423	172	46	79	8	...	4	10	94	...	10	...	...	...
Melbourne	4,918	2,055	517	368	9	86	25	204	1,451	35	58	50	1	59
Melbourne (Alfred)	1,836	791	222	139	21	47	17	98	454	5	2	4	2	34
Melbourne (Austin, for Incurables)	242	98	32	23	5	8	1	9	58	1	...	...	...	7
Melbourne (Homoeopathic)	856	334	104	89	3	32	22	48	199	2	1	...	...	2
Mildura	75	43	7	1	...	...	3	1	20	...	...	...	...	...
Mooroopna	671	234	98	54	2	9	6	1	246	...	12	2	4	3
Nhill	132	43	12	41	...	...	2	14	20	...	...	...	...	...
Omeo	45	23	4	2	...	...	...	...	14	...	2	...	...	...
Port Fairy*	80	26	9	3	...	...	...	...	42	...	...	...	...	...
Portland*	43	22	4	4	...	5	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...
Sale	386	160	75	31	1	1	3	8	105	...	...	...	2	...
St. Arnaud	355	150	79	43	...	...	2	...	72	...	...	...	7	2
Stawell*	356	128	51	34	...	8	7	24	95	...	6	1	1	1
Swan Hill	180	59	36	19	1	2	3	1	52	2	...	4	...	1
Walhalla	5	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...
Wangaratta	475	204	56	40	...	2	4	2	152	...	13	...	...	2
Warracknabeal	151	37	27	18	1	...	13	5	27	...	...	18	1	4
Warrnambool*	251	79	43	19	...	5	...	6	98	...	...	1	...	...
Williamstown	50	18	2	6	...	2	1	1	19	...	...	...	...	1
Wood's Point	105	14	10	11	9	4	5	10	30	1	3	6	...	2
Total	22,026	8,490	2,763	2,311	107	399	218	803	6,244	51	346	132	23	136

BENEVOLENT ASYLUMS.

Ballarat	538	189	74	38	...	5	3	12	192	...	10	11	...	4
Beechworth	165	50	25	8	7	3	...	...	62	...	10	...	...	...
Bendigo	450	181	64	36	...	9	...	21	126	...	10	1	1	1
Castlemaine	154	56	20	14	2	4	2	5	37	...	11	...	...	...
Melbourne	957	401	127	69	8	26	3	...	272	4	10	37	...	...
Melbourne (Immigrants' Home)	1,175	501	151	47	5	11	6	39	412	3	...	...	...	...
Total	3,436	1,378	461	212	22	58	14	77	1,101	7	51	49	1	5

ORPHAN ASYLUMS.

Ballarat	202	82	36	54	...	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	...
Geelong	92	38	20	14	...	8	...	6	6	...	...	...	...	...
Geelong (Roman Catholic—Boys)	166	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	166	...	...	...	...	...
Geelong (Roman Catholic—Girls)	131	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	131	...	...	...	...	...
Melbourne (Protestant)	534	...	...	...	...	...	...	554	...	...	...	...	...	...
Melbourne (Roman Catholic—Boys)	225	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	225	...	...	...	...	...
Melbourne (Roman Catholic—Girls)	170	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	170	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1,540	120	56	68	...	8	...	560	728	...	...	...	...	...

* This institution is also a Benevolent Asylum.

HOSPITALS, BENEVOLENT AND ORPHAN ASYLUMS.—AGES OF INMATES.

RETURN showing Ages of Patients in various Hospitals, and of Inmates of various Asylums, throughout Victoria during the Year ended 30th June, 1898.

Where situated.	HOSPITALS.												BENEVOLENT ASYLUMS.												ORPHAN ASYLUMS.	
	All Ages.		Under 5.		5 and under 10.		10 and under 15.		15 and under 25.		25 and under 35.		35 and under 45.		45 and under 55.		55 and under 65.		65 and under 75.		75 and under 85.		85 and upwards.			
	Both Sexes	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.			
Alexandra	48	40	8	8	19	32	29	1	5	1	6	4	1	8	1	6	1	6	1	6	1	6	1	6		
Auliers	535	311	224	8	13	19	32	29	1	5	1	6	4	1	8	1	6	1	6	1	6	1	6	1	6	
Ararat	379	264	115	8	13	19	32	29	1	5	1	6	4	1	8	1	6	1	6	1	6	1	6	1	6	
Bairnsdale	175	334	159	1	6	9	11	4	42	18	24	6	22	9	22	6	22	9	22	6	22	9	22	6	22	
Ballarat	1,477	966	511	37	24	79	81	54	192	161	121	80	87	44	77	19	123	24	3	23	5	13	2	13		
Beechworth	501	414	87	2	1	8	19	10	56	26	57	13	41	10	87	7	10	23	2	15	7	5	7	5		
Bendigo	1,950	1,223	727	32	17	53	44	30	319	127	220	124	133	97	69	69	154	78	177	3	34	3	4	3		
Castlemaine	528	318	210	9	22	21	20	37	37	32	37	28	30	22	21	7	50	12	121	73	40	6	5	2		
Colac	166	99	67	4	1	7	3	6	24	12	16	8	8	3	4	4	20	25	52	14	20	6	5	2		
Creswick	337	201	136	1	1	13	22	23	42	46	34	22	20	25	11	20	2	2	16	2	4	2	1	1		
Daylesford	200	158	42	3	3	5	12	4	18	10	10	13	13	11	5	24	1	1	27	1	5	1	1	1		
Dunolly	452	310	142	1	2	9	12	14	22	37	23	8	28	14	20	33	20	90	24	64	3	3	1	1		
Echalea	202	176	26	4	15	9	10	13	29	40	25	13	35	15	25	8	15	7	15	8	4	3	1	1		
Geelong	1,107	754	353	25	21	54	34	32	124	160	113	72	70	26	69	34	88	44	106	28	70	25	5	5		
Hamilton	1,497	240	1,257	4	4	18	20	17	31	60	33	30	20	10	10	5	18	7	44	2	34	6	6	2	2	
Irethore	123	101	22	1	2	1	3	7	8	4	9	1	3	7	11	2	21	2	25	5	14	1	3	1		
Moreton	153	153	0	2	12	7	13	7	25	30	17	20	14	15	14	6	23	6	11	1	20	2	2	1		
Ingwood	256	280	124	8	9	6	9	9	31	31	25	31	25	31	35	11	50	10	60	5	20	3	3	1		
Kilmore	150	127	23	1	5	2	5	2	12	3	22	5	13	4	16	4	23	2	15	3	14	2	3	1		
Kynston	403	356	137	5	5	3	11	14	35	47	47	29	47	24	47	13	65	16	28	9	13	2	3	1		
Madon	103	78	25	1	2	4	2	4	20	5	6	3	7	1	11	8	2	21	2	15	3	2	3	1		
Mansfield	66	72	6	1	2	4	2	4	21	5	10	3	10	3	6	5	8	3	11	2	13	4	3	1		
Maryborough	443	293	150	8	1	28	14	35	32	62	51	31	11	17	4	33	4	47	7	9	2	3	3	1		
Melbourne	4,018	2,994	1,024	73	124	111	152	109	534	541	580	490	367	284	355	146	306	120	183	61	56	12	6	4		
Melbourne (Alfred)	1,836	962	874	2	16	7	69	56	189	259	190	167	131	99	76	99	23	48	17	13	13	4	3	1		
Melbourne (Incurables)	242	143	99	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Melbourne (Lunatic Asylum)	856	391	465	13	21	44	49	39	85	130	74	133	55	45	38	27	27	21	12	7	3	3	1	1		
Mildura	75	65	10	3	3	3	3	3	11	11	16	3	18	7	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5		
Mooroopna	671	529	142	12	4	14	5	16	12	58	47	53	34	60	16	90	13	75	8	66	3	17	1	1		
Nhill	132	66	66	1	2	11	0	3	7	11	31	16	8	5	4	2	7	1	7	5	1	1	1	1		
Oneco	45	36	9	1	1	1	1	1	6	2	7	2	5	1	3	1	5	1	5	1	3	1	1	1		
Port Fairy	80	63	17	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3		
Portland	43	32	11	5	3	17	7	7	40	39	37	39	13	27	13	36	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4		
Sale	386	254	132	5	3	12	3	17	7	49	50	27	16	28	13	36	4	30	10	42	10	13	1	1		
St. Arnaud	355	243	113	3	5	9	5	7	8	32	35	19	16	22	13	23	8	34	17	54	12	29	2	3		
Slawell	356	235	121	3	5	9	5	7	8	32	35	19	16	22	13	23	8	34	17	54	12	29	2	3		
Swan Hill	180	135	45	3	3	3	2	6	8	5	25	11	25	5	16	5	11	1	10	5	5	1	1	1		
Wallalla	5	5	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Wangaratta	475	352	123	24	8	23	15	67	42	74	24	39	22	38	8	34	5	38	2	15	1	1	1	1		
Warracknabeal	151	89	62	13	4	9	11	10	19	13	17	12	7	13	2	9	1	6	1	6	1	4	1	1		
Warrnambool	451	176	275	7	7	9	9	9	22	17	12	12	19	4	10*	5	20	8	30	7	24	5	13	4		
Williamstown	50	20	30	1	3	3	3	3	7	6	3	3	1	4	2	4	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	1		
Wood's Point	155	98	57	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	11	4	6	2	18	2	21	2	27	1	6	1	1	1		
Total	22,026	14,047	7,979	8	721	581	830	658	2,465	2,188	2,199	1,646	1,845	956	1,444	588	1,707	535	1,700	495	755	152	116	34		

BENEVOLENT ASYLUMS.												ORPHAN ASYLUMS.	
Both Sexes	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Total	Boys	Girls
Ballarat	118	166	48	42	1	17	4	5	7	32	19	13	31
Beechworth	165	138	27	26	1	15	1	5	11	34	6	5	38
Bendigo	450	331	119	2	26	1	15	1	5	28	5	108	28
Castlemaine	151	113	38	3	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	32
Melbourne	957	647	310	1	1	1	1	1	1	105	58	128	176
Melbourne (Immigrants' Home)	1,175	849	326	1	2	9	46	22	98	196	70	277	20
Total	3,436	2,412	1,024	3	5	1	2	11	77	401	169	871	129

ORPHAN ASYLUMS.			
Both Sexes	Males	Females	Total
Ballarat	202	154	356
Geeelong	92	49	141
Melbourne	554	300	854
Total	1,748	1,103	2,851

* This institution is also a Benevolent Asylum.

HOSPITALS, BENEVOLENT AND ORPHAN ASYLUMS.—RETURN FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

Year.	Number of Institutions.*	Hospitals.*				Benevolent Asylums.				Orphan Asylums.				Number of Deaths.
		Number of Inmates.		Number of Deaths.	Number of Institutions.	Number of Inmates.		Number of Deaths.	Number of Institutions.	Number of Inmates.		Number of Deaths.		
		Total during the Year.	Average at one time.			Total during the Year.	Average at one time.			Total during the Year.	Average at one time.			
1887-8	38	16,469	1,760.2	1,836	6	4,209	1,958.0	344	7	1,423	1,356.7	5		
1888-9	39	17,848	1,833.5	2,160	6	4,327	1,978.1	359	7	1,458	1,164.4	7		
1889-90	39	18,440	1,902.7	2,118	6	4,457	2,054.2	381	7	1,444	1,170.6	6		
1890-91	39	17,387	1,820.5	1,859	6	4,078	2,084.4	348	7	1,482	1,164.6	6		
1891-2	42	18,507	1,998.7	2,044	6	3,768	2,104.4	352	7	1,513	1,168.7	6		
1892-3	42	17,332	1,825.2	1,847	6	3,381	2,135.8	287	7	1,522	1,176.1	7		
1893-4	42	18,268	1,898.4	1,886	6	3,198	2,145.9	304	7	1,506	1,178.3	7		
1894-5	44	18,215	1,954.4	1,864	6	3,295	2,189.2	337	7	1,455	1,247.9	4		
1895-6	44	19,246	2,009.0	2,142	6	3,349	2,224.7	353	7	1,474	1,153.4	4		
1896-7	44	19,265	1,997.9	2,029	6	3,458	2,277.3	405	7	1,555	1,209.2	5		
1897-8	44	22,026	2,140.1	2,328	6	3,436	2,291.7	428	7	1,540	1,228.8	7		

* Nine of these institutions are also Benevolent Asylums.

CONSUMPTIVE SANATORIUM OF VICTORIA, ECHUCA

RETURN for the Year ended 30th June, 1898, of the Consumptive Sanatorium of Victoria, Echuca.

ACCOMMODATION, ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES.

Dormitories or Sleeping Rooms.	Number.	Capacity in cubic feet.	Number of Beds.	Number of Inmates.				Numbers Discharged.											
				On the 1st July, 1897.		On the 30th June, 1898.		Numbers Admitted.		Cured or Relieved.		Incurable.		At their own Request, or on other Grounds.		Died.		Total.	
				M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
6	39,200	28	23	6	19	8	44	25	37	19	...	2	6	2	5	...	48	25	

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

Receipts.					Expenditure.				
Government Aid.	Private Contributions.	From or on Account of Patients.	Other Receipts.	Total.	Building and Extraordinary Repairs.	Maintenance, Ordinary Repairs to Buildings.	All Other.	Miscellaneous (including Interest).	Total.
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
155	626	186	249	1,216	530	...	652	63	1,245

AGES, BIRTHPLACES, AND RELIGIONS.

Ages.					Birthplaces.						Religions.								
10 to 25	25 to 35	35 to 45	45 to 55	Total.	Australasian Colonies.	England and Wales.	Ireland.	Scotland.	Other British Possessions.	Foreign Countries.	Total.	Church of England.	Presbyterians.	Wesleyans.	Baptists.	Other Protestants and Protestants Casp. dead.	Roman Catholics.	Other Persuasions.	Total.
24	20	45	7	98	62	16	8	10	1	1	98	28	10	6	8	11	34	1	98

WOMEN'S HOSPITAL, MELBOURNE.

RETURN for the Year ended 30th June, 1898, of the Women's Hospital, Melbourne.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

Name of Department.	Receipts.				Expenditure.					
	Government Aid.	Private Contributions.	Other Sources.	Total.	Buildings and Extraordinary Repairs.	Maintenance.		Out-door Relief.	Miscellaneous (including Interest).	Total.
						Ordinary Repairs to Buildings.	All Other.			
Infirmary ... Midwifery...	£ 2,200	£ 1,263	£ 2,001	£ 5,464	£ 105	£ 99	£ 6,272	£ 425	£ 88	£ 6,989

ACCOMMODATION, ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, ETC.

Name of Department	Dormitories or Sleeping Rooms.		Number of Beds.	Number of Inmates.		Number Admitted.	Number Discharged Cured or Relieved.	Number of Deaths.	Daily Average of In-door Relief.	Out-door Relief.	
	Number	Capacity In Cubic Feet.		On the 1st July, 1897.	On the 30th June, 1898.					Distinct Cases Treated.	Total Attendances.
Infirmary ...	10	53,414	34	26	32	583	369	8	78	1,895	7,510
Midwifery ...	13	89,300	47	47	37	1,233	1,228	15			
Total ...	23	142,714	81	73	69	1,616	1,597	23	...	...	...

BIRTHPLACES.

Name of Department.	Total.	Australian Colonies.	England and Wales.	Ireland.	Scotland.	Other British Possessions.	Foreign Countries (exclusive of China).
Infirmary ...	409	304	63	16	15	4	7
Midwifery ...	1,280	1,154	60	34	15	4	13
Total ...	1,689	1,458	123	50	30	8	20

RELIGIONS.

Name of Department.	Total.	Church of England.	Presbyterians.	Wesleyans.	Independents.	Baptists.	Other Protestants, and Protestants unspecified.	Roman Catholics.	Jews.
Infirmary ...	409	190	45	37	6	10	14	102	5
Midwifery ...	1,280	599	122	96	8	14	46	390	5
Total ...	1,689	789	167	133	14	24	60	492	10

AGES.

Name of Department.	Total.	15 to 25.	25 to 35.	35 to 45.	45 to 55.	55 to 65.
Infirmary ...	409	58	219	102	22	8
Midwifery ...	1,280	687	448	145	...	...
Total ...	1,689	745	667	247	22	8

CONVALESCENT HOMES.

RETURN for the Year ended 30th June, 1898, of the Convalescent Homes for Males and Females.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

Convalescent Home.	Receipts.				Expenditure.				
	Government Aid.	Private Contributions.	Other Sources.	Total.	Buildings and Extraordinary Repairs.	Maintenance.		Miscellaneous (including Interest).	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
For Men, Cheltenham	150	161	128	439	...	...	532	...	532
For Women, Clayton	150	364	75	589	12	12	573	51	648
Total ...	300	525	203	1,028	12	12	1,105	51	1,180

ACCOMMODATION, ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, ETC.

Convalescent Home.	Dormitories or Sleeping Rooms.			Number of Inmates.		Number Admitted.	Number Discharged.	Daily Average Number of Inmates.
	Number.	Capacity in Cubic Feet.	Number of Beds.	On the 1st July, 1897.	On the 30th June, 1898.			
For Men, Cheltenham...	23	23,000	24	18	8	340	350	14.8
For Women, Clayton ...	3	48,000	40	16	31	698	683	24.5
Total ...	26	71,000	64	34	39	1,038	1,033	39.3

BIRTHPLACES.

Convalescent Home.	Total.	Australian Colonies.	England and Wales.	Ireland.	Scotland.	Other British Possessions.	Foreign Countries (exclusive of China).	Unknown.
For Men, Cheltenham ...	358	140	96	64	24	5	27	2
For Women, Clayton ...	714	485	116	69	31	3	10	...
Total ...	1,072	625	212	133	55	8	37	2

RELIGIONS.

Convalescent Home.	Total.	Church of England.	Presbyterians.	Wesleyans.	Independents.	Baptists.	Other Protestants, and Protestants unspecified.	Roman Catholics.	Jews.	Other Persnations.
For Men, Cheltenham ...	358	153	46	19	...	8	19	106	3	4
For Women, Clayton ...	714	314	86	54	8	28	23	182	5	14
Total ...	1,072	467	132	73	8	36	42	288	8	18

AGES.

Convalescent Home.	Total.	Under 5.	5 to 10.	10 to 15.	15 to 25.	25 to 35.	35 to 45.	45 to 55.	55 to 65.	65 to 75.	75 to 85.
For Men, Cheltenham ...	358	...	...	...	90	78	68	62	31	25	4
For Women, Clayton ...	714	8	6	37	286	189	106	37	31	13	1
Total ...	1,072	8	6	37	376	267	174	99	62	38	5

HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.—ACCOMMODATION AND EXPENDITURE.

RETURNS of the Amount of Accommodation and of the Expenditure of the various Hospitals for the Insane throughout the Colony of Victoria for the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

Hospitals for the Insane.	Accommodation.					Expenditure.
	Number of Dormitories or Sleeping Rooms.	Aggregate Number of Cubic Feet in Dormitories or Sleeping Rooms.	Number of Beds.			
			For Males.	For Females.	Total.	
Ararat	225	416,602	382	285	667	£ 19,309
Ballarat	12	151,579	141	103	244	6,749
Beechworth	180	422,867	369	275	644	16,914
Kew	266	663,633	517	442	959	29,077
Kew Idiot Asylum	18	91,500	110	93	203	15,516
Sunbury	146	510,731	266	381	647	21,824
Yarra Bend	330	503,267	412	360	772	109,389
Total	1,177	2,760,179	2,197	1,939	4,136	

HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.—BIRTHPLACES AND RELIGIONS.

RETURNS of the Birthplaces and Religions of Patients in the various Hospitals for the Insane throughout the Colony of Victoria for the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

Birthplaces.	Religions.												
	Total.	Church of England.	Presbyterians.	Wesleyans.	Independents.	Baptists.	Salvation Army.	Other Protestants, and Protestants unspecified.	Roman Catholics.	Jews.	Buddhists.	Other Religions.	No Religion, and Religion unknown.
Australian Colonies	1,731	550	241	202	22	26	5	103	524	17	...	5	36
England and Wales	909	502	12	86	36	31	1	137	64	8	...	1	31
Ireland	1,153	100	57	12	...	...	...	99	850	1	...	...	34
Scotland	379	34	238	17	12	10	1	36	24	...	...	1	6
Other British Possessions	51	6	2	5	1	2	...	18	6	...	3	...	8
Foreign Countries (exclusive of China)	207	19	2	6	1	1	1	58	78	10	...	5	26
China	80	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65	6	7
Birthplace unknown	718	134	74	29	9	7	1	66	123	5	...	1	269
Total	5,228	1,345	628	357	81	77	9	517	1,669	41	68	19	417

HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.—ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, ETC.
Returns of the Vital Statistics of the various Hospitals for the Insane throughout the Colony of Victoria for the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

Hospitals for the Insane.	Numbers Admitted during the Year.						Numbers Discharged during the Year.						Numbers Remaining on the 31st December.						Mean of the Numbers Remaining at the beginning and end of the Year.		Mean of the Numbers Admitted and Discharged.															
	Fresh Patients.			Retaken from the previous Year.			Improved.			Absconced, and not retaken.			Removed by Friends or otherwise.			Transferred during the Year.			Died.			Absconced and Retaken.			Supposed Curable.			Supposed incurable.			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.									
Ararat	591	296	887	1	12	13	15	20	2	1	3	35	14	52	39	3	1	22	8	367	288	589	206	390	296	510	390	510	390							
Ballarat	149	108	257	9	1	10	9	9	...	...	...	16	5	25	13	2	...	7	7	136	101	245	108	146	108	220	130	220	130				
Beechworth	352	284	636	22	5	27	11	2	3	1	4	28	13	42	18	2	...	19	8	356	273	575	281	363	282	535	165	535	165							
Kew	614	523	1137	4	3	7	44	29	17	24	73	53	48	189	140	3	1	81	140	483	388	564	528	589	528	1640	1425	1640	1425							
Kew Idiot Asylum	121	93	214	22	15	37	1	5	21	10	25	12	2						
Sunbury	335	324	659	24	17	41	4	2	...	...	...	21	16	25	19	1	2	8	8	263	376	271	384	253	354	430	490	430	490				
Yarra Bend	430	421	851	110	79	189	40	41	...	...	...	59	29	116	119	1	...	53	29	386	370	479	599	434	410	1205	1080	1205	1080				
Total	2,292	2,049	4,341	357	271	628	124	104	20	29	4	233	133	474	366	14	4	190	250	2,110	1,894	2,300	2,094	2,296	2,071	4,780	3,825	4,780	3,825							

HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.—AGES OF PATIENTS.

Returns of the Ages of Patients in the various Hospitals for the Insane throughout the Colony of Victoria for the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

Hospitals for the Insane.	Ages of Patients.																			
	All Ages.		Ages unknown.		Under 10.		10 to 15.		15 to 25.		25 to 35.		35 to 45.		45 to 55.		55 to 65.		65 and upwards.	
	Both Sexes.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
Ararat	776	441	335	52	31	1	...	21	16	100	44	97	75	71	80	55	52	45	36	
Ballarat	289	168	121	10	6	...	...	16	15	55	37	21	21	23	17	31	20	12	5
Beechworth	716	417	299	39	37	...	...	9	8	52	43	91	51	52	54	96	66	78	40
Kew	1,421	753	668	54	24	...	...	47	60	180	170	163	162	150	129	83	75	76	48
Kew Idiot Asylum	254	144	110	8	4	21	25	30	23	14	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sunbury	699	296	403	15	39	...	...	6	7	47	60	57	60	67	86	54	89	50	62
Yarra Bend	1,073	555	518	28	61	11	17	47	39	116	107	104	90	70	75	95	79	67	61	
Total	5,228	2,774	2,454	206	202	32	47	217	186	504	475	533	461	433	442	414	381	328	252	

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HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.—RETURN FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

Year.	Hospitals for the Insane.			
	Number of Institutions.	Number of Patients.		Number of Deaths.
		Total during the Year.	Average at one time.	
1888	6	4,367	3,574·0	217
1889	6	4,400	3,629·5	237
1890	6	4,523	3,698·0	264
1891	6	4,777	3,818·5	293
1892	6	4,761	3,911·0	283
1893	7	4,888	3,996·0	271
1894	7	4,883	4,077·0	325
1895	7	4,888	4,132·0	325
1896	7	4,959	4,176·0	360
1897	7	5,142	4,272·5	324
1898	7	5,228	4,367·5	366

NEGLECTED CHILDREN AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.—ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, ETC.

RETURN of the Admissions and Discharges of the Neglected and Reformatory School Children throughout the Colony of Victoria during the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

	Neglected Children.	Reformatory Children.	Total.
Number under supervision on 1st January, 1898	3,771	412	4,183
ADMISSIONS.			
New committals	1,020	42	1,062
Transfers from Gaol	...	19	19
" Neglected Children's Department	...	68	68
" Reformatories	4	...	4
Returned absconders, &c.	11	19	30
Total Admissions	1,035	148	1,183
DISCHARGES, ETC.			
From Institutions, Foster Homes, Service, &c., as follows :—			
By Order of the Governor in Council	221	12	233
" Effluxion of time	206	113	319
" Death	76	1	77
" Transfer to Asylums and Gaol	8	2	10
" " Reformatories	68	...	68
" " Neglected Children's Department	...	4	4
" Absconders during 1898 not returned	31	36	67
Total Discharges, &c.	610	168	778
Number under supervision on 31st December, 1898—			
At Foster Homes	2,791	...	2,791*
" Service	671	128	799
With Relatives, without cost	613	60	673
In Lunatic Asylums and other institutions	121	...	121*
" the Schools	...	204	204*
Total	4,196	392	4,588

* In addition to these 22 are free from legal control, but being incapacitated from earning their own living are still maintained by the State.

NEGLECTED CHILDREN AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.—AGES, RELIGIONS, AND BIRTHPLACES.

RETURN showing the Ages, Religions, and Birthplaces of Neglected Children and Children admitted to the various Reformatory Schools throughout the Colony of Victoria during the Year ended 31st December, 1898.

	Ages.																	Religions.					Birthplaces.						
	Under 1 year.		1 to 2	2 to 3	3 to 4	4 to 5	5 to 6	6 to 7	7 to 8	8 to 9	9 to 10	10 to 11	11 to 12	12 to 13	13 to 14	14 to 15	15 to 16	16 and Over.	Total.	Protestant.	Roman Catholic.	Jews.	Total.	Australian Colonies.	Great Britain and Ireland.	South Africa.	Germany.	Unknown.	Total.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	and Over.												
Neglected	...	150	89	77	74	88	79	86	66	80	59	48	31	21	14	6	7	1,020	741	278	1	1,020	1,003	9	2	...	6	1,020	
Reformatory	1	...	2	4	6	11	11	24	61	61	42	19	...	61	58	2	...	1	...	61	
Total	...	150	89	77	74	88	79	86	66	81	59	50	35	27	25	17	31	1,081	783	297	1	1,081	1,061	11	2	1	6	1,081	

NEGLECTED CHILDREN AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.—COST OF MAINTENANCE.
 RETURN for the Year ended 31st December, 1898, showing the Government Expenditure for the Maintenance of Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools, the Amount paid by Parents towards the Maintenance of Children, and the Net Cost to the State.

Items.	Industrial Schools.										Reformatory Schools.										Total.
	Head Office.	Boys' and Girls' Receiving Depots.	Abbotsford.	Servants' Training School.	Services Children.	Boarded-out Children.	Total.	Pakenham.	Oakleigh.	Brookside.	Rayswater.	Excelsior.	Wandin Yallock.	Kingsbury.	Straight View Farm.	Bunawort.	Paradise.	Service Children.	Telephone Service.	Total.	
Average strength†	...	81	53	21	...	2,591	...	45	30	44	23	17	18	5	3	14	...	...	...
Provisions	£	452	...	£	...	£	452	£	...	£	...	£	...	£	...	£	...	£	...	£	
Clothing and Bedding	...	40	...	...	343	...	1,446	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	366
Fuel, Light, and Water	20	277	...	...	...	...	297	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stores, Stock, &c.	81	224	...	...	...	...	305	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Medical Attendance, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	1,927	1,927	...	...	44	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44
Incidentals, &c.	206	171	...	...	...	...	377	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Transport and Travelling Expenses	...	...	...	...	451 803*	575	1,829	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	783	...	783
Telephone Services	6	7	...	...	...	8	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	131	...	131
Salaries and Wages	3,486	1,200	...	...	...	...	4,686	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Maintenance	...	...	704	277	...	35,160	36,141	1,201	790	1,148	589	436	475	142	74	352	...	...	...	5,331
	3,799	2,371	704	277	1,597	38,733	47,481	1,201	790	1,192	589	436	475	142	74	352	1,149	131	...	6,655	
Deduct—Maintenance recovered from Parents All other Receipts	...	...	...	...	...	946	946	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	117
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	...	23
	...	...	...	...	...	946	946	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	...	140
Net Cost	3,799	1,667	704	277	1,597	38,733	46,535	1,201	790	1,192	589	436	475	142	74	352	1,126	131	...	6,515	

Note.—This Return and the two preceding Returns relating to Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools have been furnished by the Secretary of the Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools.
 † The value of labour performed by the inmates of this school in the manufacture of outfits, &c., is £195.
 * Under Part VIII. of Act.

NEGLECTED CHILDREN AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.—RETURN FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

Year.	Number of Children on 31st December.			Net Cost to the State in each year.	Year.	Number of Children on 1st December.			Net Cost to the State in each year.
	In Government Schools.	In Assisted Schools.	Boarded Out.			In Government Schools.	In Assisted Schools.	Boarded Out.		At Service &c.	Total.
1888	170	124	1,081	£ 39,196	1894	66	209	1,905	£ 40,635
1889	152	98	1,872	39,981	1895	93	211	1,997	42,346
1890	130	102	1,761	35,682	1896	135	181	2,089	44,267
1891	160	107	1,665	39,118	1897	107	186	2,379	46,520
1892	128	154	1,741	38,990	1898	121	204	2,791	53,050
1893	61	210	1,825	38,353					

INSTITUTIONS FOR AFFECTIONS OF THE EYE AND EAR.
 RETURN for the Year ended 30th June, 1898, of the Deaf and Dumb Institution, the Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind, and the Eye and Ear Hospital.

Name of Institution.	RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.									
	Receipts.					Expenditure.				
	Government Aid.	Municipal Grants.	Private Contributions.	Legacies, Bequests, and Special Donations.	Other Sources.	Total.	Buildings and Extraordinary Repairs.	Maintenance—Ordinary Repairs to Buildings.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Deaf and Dumb Institution	£ 800	219	1,213	£ 132	694*	£ 3,058	171	43	41	£ 3,261
Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind	2,061	203	1,527	...	711†	4,502	159	146	63	4,251
Eye and Ear Hospital	670	260	450	1,968	1,094‡	4,442	...	86	407	2,730
Total	3,531	682	3,190	2,100	2,499	12,002	330	275	511	10,242

* Including interest, £325, and boarders' fees, £280.

† Including in-door pupils' fees, £358.

‡ Including Hospital Sunday collection, £241, and out-patients' fees, £718.

ACCOMMODATION, ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, ETC.

Name of Institution.	Number of Inmates.		Numbers Admitted.		Numbers Discharged.		Total.	Daily Average of In-door Relief.	Out-door Relief.		
	On the 1st July, 1897.	On the 30th June, 1898.	On the 1st July, 1897.	On the 30th June, 1898.	At their own request or on other grounds.	Died.					
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.				M.	F.
Deaf and Dumb Institution	4	75,872	74	...	...	...	9	10	640	75	...
Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind	5	94,318	112	...	...	...	1	4	940	...	...
Eye and Ear Hospital	8	54,680	60	...	...	...	3	316	450	4,116	2,629
Total	17	224,870	246	...	...	...	13	329	2,030	...	...

INSTITUTIONS FOR AFFECTIONS OF THE EYE AND EAR.

RETURN for the Year ended 30th June, 1898, of the Deaf and Dumb Institution, the Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind, and the Eye and Ear Hospital—continued.

BIRTHPLACES.

Name of Institution.	Total.	Australian Colonists.	England and Wales.	Ireland.	Scotland.	Other British Possessions.	Foreign Countries (exclusive of China).	China.	Birthplace Unknown.
Deaf and Dumb Institution ...	75	70	4	...	1	...	...	...	...
Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind ...	99	89	6	2	...	1	...	...	1
Eye and Ear Hospital ...	611	343	119	99	25	7	13	5	...
Total ...	785	502	129	101	26	8	13	5	1

RELIGIONS.

Name of Institution.	Total.	Church of England.	Presbyterians.	Westlyans.	Independents.	Baptists.	Other Protestants, and Protestants unspecified.	Roman Catholics.	Jews.	Other Persuasions.
Deaf and Dumb Institution ...	75	25	21	12	2	1	8	6	...	...
Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind ...	99	39	13	11	2	4	10	20	...	...
Eye and Ear Hospital ...	611	247	76	69	1	19	17	171	9	2
Total ...	785	311	110	92	5	24	35	197	9	2

AGES.

Name of Institution.	Total.	Under 10.	10 to 15.	15 to 25.	25 to 35.	35 to 45.	45 to 55.	55 to 65.	65 and upwards.
Deaf and Dumb Institution ...	75	19	38	18	...	...	...	...	...
Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind ...	99	9	23	28	20	16	2	1	...
Eye and Ear Hospital ...	611	85	64	92	72	51	65	80	102
Total ...	785	113	125	138	92	67	67	81	102

FEMALE REFUGES.—RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

RETURN of the Receipts and Expenditure of the various Female Refuges throughout the Colony of Victoria of which Returns were furnished to the Government Statist for the Year ended 30th June, 1898.

Female Refuges.	Receipts.										Expenditure.					Total.
	Government Aid.	Municipal Grants.	Private Contributions.	Hospital Sunday and Church Collections.	Legacies, Bequests, and Special Donations.	Proceeds of Tanners' Labour.	Other Sources.	Total.	Buildings and Repairs.	Ordinary Repairs to Buildings.	All Other.	Miscellaneous (including Interest).				
Ballarat Home	90	2	104	52	...	221	33	502	...	33	478	24	535			
Bendigo Rescue Home	...	6	66	...	...	48	...	123	...	...	111	8	119
Elizabeth Fry Retreat, South Yarra	100	3	108	...	10	390	...	620	...	11	559	64	634			
Geelong	150	3	39	...	40	143	8	383	...	6	358	16	380			
Magdalen Asylum, Abbotsford	850	46	404	...	423	6,742	...	8,465	...	308	7,816	...	8,165			
Carlton Refuge	300	15	135	...	103	511	42	1,106	...	21	1,041	37	1,099			
South Yarra Home	155	3	194	...	110	307	15	789	...	2	422	95	519			
Temporary Home for Friendless and Fallen Women, Collingwood	160	2	21	...	...	39	53	275	...	15	227	57	299	
Total	1,805	80	1,071	57	686	8,410	154	12,263	41	396	11,012	301	11,750			

FEMALE REFUGES.—ACCOMMODATION, ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, ETC.

RETURN of the Amount of Accommodation and of the Relief afforded in the various Female Refuges throughout the Colony of Victoria of which Returns were furnished for the Year ended 30th June, 1898.

Female Refuges.	Dormitories or Sleeping Rooms.		Number of Inmates.		Numbers Admitted.	Numbers Discharged.					Mean of the Numbers at the beginning and end of the Year.	Mean of the Numbers Admitted and Discharged.	
	Number.	Capacity in Cubic Feet.	On the 1st July, 1897.	On the 30th June, 1898.		For misconduct.	Sent to other Institutions.	Home found for Infants.	Left otherwise.	Deat.			Total.
Ballarat Home	17	12,300	10 ⁵	9 ⁴	9 ¹	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	95 ⁶
Bendigo Rescue Home	5	5,408	4	4 ¹	13 ⁷	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	130 ^{6a}
Elizabeth Fry Retreat, South Yarra	10	12,608	27	24	38	2	16	2	2	...	...	...	39 ⁵
Geelong	13	14,882	7 ⁵	11 ⁷	10 ⁴	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	80 ³
Magdalen Asylum, Abbotsford	10	207,114	321	377	78	8	13	8	17	6	72	3240 ²⁸⁵	750 ⁰
Carlton Refuge	40	19,500	43 ³⁰	29 ²⁷	29 ³¹	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	360 ²⁸⁵
South Yarra Home	11	19,280	18	24	55	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	52 ⁰
Temporary Home for Friendless and Fallen Women, Collingwood	4	16,000	18 ²	20 ⁵	127 ³⁷	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1260 ³⁸³
Total	110	307,092	448⁴⁵	448¹¹	359³¹	20	49¹	20	32²⁰	7⁹	359³¹	448¹¹	3590³⁸⁵

NOTE.—The small figures denote children accompanying their mothers. These are in addition to the ordinary inmates.

FEMALE REFUGES.—AGES OF INMATES.
 RETURN of the Ages of Inmates of the various Female Refuges throughout the Colony of Victoria during the Year ended 30th June, 1898.

Female Refuges.	Ages of Inmates.										Unknown.
	All Ages.	Under 15.	15 to 20.	20 to 25.	25 to 30.	30 to 35.	35 to 45.	45 to 55.	55 to 65.	Unknown.	
Ballarat Home	191 ²	...	9	6	4	...	...	...	...	...
Bendigo Rescue Home	177	...	7	6	4	...	...	...	...	...
Elizabeth Fry Retreat, South Yarra	65	...	3	4	12	19	12	...	...	...
Geelong	179	...	4	6	3	1	...	...	...	...
Magdalen Asylum, Abbotsford	399	...	51	28	49	45	77	80	45	23	
Carlton Refuge	72 ⁶¹	...	47	22	3	...	...	...	...	...
South Yarra Home	73	...	30	7	7	8	17	2	1	...	
Temporary Home for Friendless and Fallen Women, Collingwood	145 ²⁹	...	63	59	8	5	1	7	1	1	
Total	8071 ²⁸	41 ²⁸	214	138	90	62	107	109	59	24	

Note.—The small figures denote children accompanying their mothers. These are in addition to the ordinary inmates.

FEMALE REFUGES.—RETURN FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

Year.	Number of Inmates.		Number of Institutions.	Year.	Number of Deaths.	Number of Inmates.		Number of Deaths.
	Total during the Year.	Average at one time.				Total during the Year.	Average at one time.	
1887-8	679	361 ⁰	6	1893-4	5	802	466 ⁵	5
1888-9	865	407 ⁰	7	1894-5	6	821	467 ⁰	8
1889-90	902	432 ⁰	7	1895-6	6	785	455 ⁰	14
1890-91	1,025	458 ⁰	7	1896-7	2	794	452 ⁵	8
1891-2	974	472 ⁰	7	1897-8	9	807	448 ⁰	7
1892-3	879	476 ⁰	7		6			

SALVATION ARMY RESCUE HOMES.
 RETURN for the Year ended 30th June, 1898, of the Salvation Army Rescue Homes for Males and Females.

Name of Home.	RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.					Total.				
	Receipts.		Expenditure.							
	Government Aid.	Private Contributions.	Proceeds of Inmates' Labour.	Other Sources.*	Total.*	Maintenance.	Buildings and Repairs.	Out-door Relief.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Prison Gate Brigade Home for Males, Ballarat	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Prison Gate Brigade Home for Males, Abbotsford	450	436	1,770	45*	2,701*	2,211	65	...	640	2,946
Men's Shelter, Melbourne	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Maternity Home, Fitzroy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rescued Sisters' Home, Brunswick	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rescued Sisters' Home, Geelong	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Exclusive of £245 received from head-quarters.

SALVATION ARMY RESCUE HOMES.

RETURN for the Year ended 30th June, 1898, of the Salvation Army Rescue Homes for Males and Females—continued.

ACCOMMODATION, ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES.

Name of Home.	Dormitories or Sleeping Rooms.		Number of Inmates.		Numbers Discharged.		Total.				
	Number.	Capacity in Cubic Feet.	On the 1st July, 1897.		On the 30th June, 1898.		Discharged for misconduct, or left otherwise.	Total.			
			M.	F.	M.	F.					
Prison Gate Brigade Home for Males, Ballarat ...	12	11,184	14	7	30	14	...	...	37	..
Prison Gate Brigade Home for Males, Abbotstford ...	1	15,960	39	30	128	69	...	10	...	137	
Rescued Sisters' Home, Brunswick ...	5	31,496	25	32	98	5	...	9	...	91	
Maternity Home, North Fitzroy ...	3	16,232	25	24	69	2	...	4	...	75	
Rescued Sisters' Home, Geelong ...	9	6,805	17	18	46	...	3	...	...	45
Total ...	30	81,675	120	111	371	83	155	12	16	259	174

AGES.

Name of Home.	All Ages.		Under 15.		15 to 25.		25 to 35.		35 to 45.		45 to 55.		55 to 65.		Over 65.		Unknown.
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Prison Gate Brigade Home for Males, Ballarat ...	44	...	...	...	2	...	14	...	12	...	...	10	...	6	...	...	...
Prison Gate Brigade Home for Males, Abbotstford ...	167	...	...	...	19	...	41	...	44	...	33	...	24	...	6	...	...
Rescued Sisters' Home, Brunswick ...	...	123	...	...	...	64	...	26	...	21	...	5	...	...	...	...	...
Maternity Home, North Fitzroy ...	...	94	...	...	...	78	...	8	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...
Rescued Sisters' Home, Geelong ...	...	63	...	...	...	23	...	14	...	11	...	4	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	211	280	...	...	21	165	55	48	56	32	43	9	30	10	6	...	...

NOTE.—The small figures denote children accompanying their mothers. These are in addition to the ordinary inmates.

FREE DISPENSARIES.

RETURN of the Number of Persons Treated, of the Number of Visits or Attendances, and of the Receipts and Expenditure of the various Dispensaries throughout the Colony of Victoria of which Returns were furnished to the Government Statist for the Year ended 30th June, 1898.

Dispensaries.	Number of Persons Treated.			Number of Visits or Attendances.	Receipts.			Expenditure.
	Males.	Females.	Total.		From Government.	From other Sources.	Total.	
					£	£	£	£
Collingwood and Fitzroy Free Medical Dispensary ...	726	1,667	2,393	7,099	85	175	260	328
Geelong Homoeopathic Dispensary ...	86	128	214	916	50	51	101	128
Richmond General Dispensary ...	554	765	1,299	7,239	120	233	353	399
Total ...	1,346	2,560	3,926	15,243	255	459	714	765

NOTE.—The returns of receipts and expenditure represent the *net* receipts and expenditure, exclusive of credit and debit balances, bank overdrafts, &c.
 † In addition to this number, 3,177 children (including 1,902 dental cases) were treated during the year.

MELBOURNE FREE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN.

RETURN for the Year ended the 30th June, 1898.

Receipts.					Expenditure.				
Government Aid.	Private Contributions.	Interest.	Other Sources.	Total.	Maintenance.		Outdoor Relief.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
£	£	£	£	£	Ordinary Expenses to Bed-loues.	All Other.	£	£	£
200	2,332	504	1,961	4,997	86	2,237	180	3,691	6,194

ACCOMMODATION,* ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, ETC.

Dormitories or Sleeping Rooms.		Number of Beds.	Number of Inmates.		Number Admitted.	Number Discharged Cured or Relieved.	Number of Deaths.	Mean of the Numbers at the beginning and end of the Year.
Number.	Capacity in cubic feet.		On the 1st July, 1897.	On the 30th June, 1898.				
11	59,176	63	84	70	766	699	81	77

* Not including accommodation for 8 males and 8 females at the Convalescent Cottage at Brighton Beach in connexion with the Hospital.

VICTORIAN INFANT ASYLUM.

RETURN for the Year ended the 30th June, 1898.

Receipts.						Expenditure.				
Government Aid.	Municipal Grants or Donations.	Private Contributions.	Interest.	Other Sources.	Total.	Maintenance.		Boarding Out.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
£	£	£	£	£	£	Ordinary Repairs to Buildings.	All Other.	£	£	£
172	85	337	10	514	1,118	31	729	246	9	1,015

ACCOMMODATION, ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, ETC.

Dormitories or Sleeping Rooms.		Number of Beds.	Number of Inmates.			Died or Discharged.		At the end of Year.	
Number.	Capacity in cubic feet.		At commencement of Year.		Admitted during the Year.	Died.	Discharged or Adopted.	In the Institution.	Boarded out or sent to Wet-nurse.
			In the Institution.	Boarded out and sent to Wet-nurse.					
10	38,821	{ 38 20	Infants 34 Mothers 13	20 ...	38 37	11 ...	27 32	38 18	16 ...

NOTE.—This Return was furnished by the Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. A. Cohen.

NIGHT SHELTERS.

RETURN of the Number of Persons accommodated at Dr. Singleton's Night Shelters in Collingwood during the Year ending 30th June, 1899.

Number of Individuals Sheltered.				Total.	Receipts from all Sources.	Expenditure.
Men.	Women.	Children.				
8,993*	7,026	...	16,019	£ 129†	£ 72	

NOTE.—The information for compiling this return was furnished by the Misses E. and A. Singleton, Honorary Secretaries for Dr. Singleton's Charities.

The men's shelter was closed during the first three months of 1899, owing to want of funds.

† In addition to the amount subscribed in money, gifts of tea, bread, &c., have been received in small quantities, and thus meals are provided during the greater part of the year.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

RETURN of the Number of Persons Relieved and of the Receipts and Expenditure of the various Benevolent Societies, &c., throughout the Colony of Victoria, which furnished Returns to the Government Statist, for the Year ended 30th June, 1898.

Benevolent Societies.	Number of distinct Individuals Relieved.						Receipts.				Expenditure.			
	Adults.			Children.			Total Number Relieved.	From Government.	From Municipal Councils.	From other Sources.	Total.	Cost of Actual Relief.	Cost of Administration.	Total.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.								
Allendale District Relief Fund ...	10	22	32	18	17	35	67	30	8	52	90	81	1	82
Avoca Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	32	21	53	14	20	34	87	35	...	134	168	168	3	171
Bairnsdale Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	11	15	26	9	13	22	48	15	...	21	31	31	1	32
Ballarat Jewish Philanthropic Society ...	18	2	20	...	...	15	33	...	...	43	43	35	5	40
Ballarat Ladies' Benevolent Clothing Society	194	356	550	...	...	381	881	125	37	329	491	479	12	491
Beaufort Relief Society ...	13	12	25	5	3	8	33	30	15	56	101	91	5	96
Beechworth Ladies' Benevolent Society...	16	38	54	8	12	20	74	10	2	30	42	53	4	57
Brighton Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	34	65	99	...	...	79	178	...	17	334	351	220	11	240
Brunswick Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	100	176	276	242	189	431	707	70	10	197	277	168	60	238
Buninyong Local Relief Fund ...	10	19	29	...	...	...	29	10	2	21	33	28	...	28
Camberwell Ladies' Benevolent Society...	17	38	55	26	32	58	113	20	18	82	120	105	6	111
Camperdown Ladies' Benevolent Society	12	15	27	8	7	15	42	10	...	11	21	34	...	34
Carngham Widows' and Orphans' Fund...	...	...	18	...	...	...	18	15	15	132	162	117	1	118
Casterton Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	3	13	16	4	10	14	39	10	20	27	57	53	...	53
Central Methodist Mission ...	1,028	201	1,229	206	187	393	1,622	100	10	455	565	309	166	475
Clunes Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	5	16	21	10	8	18	39	55	12	81	148	147	2	149
Colac Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	14	25	39	9	7	16	55	...	...	283	283	270	18	257
Coleraine Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	5	4	9	...	...	...	18	...	...	38	38	28	...	28
Creswick Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	45	37	82	...	...	...	82	25	5	63	93	115	...	115
Daylesford Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	176	77	253	25	31	56	230	60	21	329	410	396	14	410
Dunolly Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	66	5	71	1	...	1	72	20	36	122	178	195	1	196
Eaglehawk Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	38	20	58	...	...	...	84	60	55	165	280	281	...	281
Echuca Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	24	28	52	13	11	24	70	55	2	109	166	176	5	181
Essendon Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	20	8	28	6	14	20	305	25	10	23	271	197	62	252
Footscray Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	...	...	400	...	...	...	400	25	50	197	272	210	67	277
Geelong and Western District Ladies' Benevolent Association ...	81	443	524	104	95	199	723	675	13	386	1,074	1,090	55	1,145
Hamilton Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	...	33	33	...	...	75	108	50	5	116	171	203	...	203
Hawthorn Ladies' Benevolent and District Visiting Society ...	309	382	691	289	275	564	1,255	45	25	192	262	330	9	339
Heathcote Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	16	4	20	...	...	...	20	10	2	37	59	48	...	48
Horsham Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	44	46	90	63	70	133	223	35	15	57	127	120	...	120
Inglewood Benevolent Society ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,693	20	4	87	111	107	5	112
Kew Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	13	24	37	...	...	38	93	15	21	14	90	68	...	68
Kilmore Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	104	416	520	...	...	...	520	10	...	37	47	44	...	44
Kyneton Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	47	69	116	42	37	79	195	55	27	142	222	219	...	229
Lilydale Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	16	11	27	11	15	26	51	10	...	7	17	23	...	23
Maffra Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	5	6	11	4	6	10	21	10	3	49	62	52	...	52
Majorca Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	10	19	39	37	1	38
Maldon Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	26	24	50	9	8	17	67	50	3	87	140	115	...	115
Maryborough Ladies' Benevolent Society	99	65	164	...	...	112	276	80	30	278	388	366	2	368
Maternity Aid Society ...	...	46	46	...	...	...	46	60	...	56	116	119	2	121
Melbourne Jewish Philanthropic Society	588	448	1,036	...	...	...	1,036	450	...	502	952	882	80	962
Melbourne Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	972	2,204	3,176	1,314	1,336	2,650	5,826	3,710	366	1,610	5,686	4,572	202	4,774
Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	31	63	94	100	94	194	288	40	...	116	156	169	2	171
Oakleigh Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	15	15	30	12	11	23	55	...	5	52	57	49	1	50
Port Fairy Ladies' Benevolent Clothing Society	8	20	28	5	6	11	45	10	2	19	31	30	...	30
Portland Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	37	24	61	25	34	59	120	10	8	132	150	129	50	159
Port Melbourne Dopes and Benevolent Society	...	...	1,264	...	...	...	1,264	45	52	120	217	243	5	248
Prahran, South Yarra, and Toorak Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	74	317	391	...	...	365	756	300	125	451	876	884	52	936
Preston and South Preston Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	8	36	44	32	47	79	123	30	5	18	53	44	1	45
Richmond Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	250	398	648	369	467	836	1,484	70	75	493	638	500	38	538
Russhworth Benevolent and Dopes Society	10	4	14	4	4	8	22	10	3	39	52	47	5	50
Sale Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	11	16	27	5	6	11	38	50	13	121	184	204	...	204
Scarsdale District Relief Fund...	15	2	17	...	...	...	17	20	3	56	79	65	1	66
Shepparton Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	12	17	29	7	8	15	37	15	7	65	87	40	5	45
South Melbourne Ladies' Benevolent Society	151	339	490	127	230	357	847	120	200	247	567	506	6	512
Springdallah and Linton Relief Fund ...	12	...	21	3	2	5	20	15	20	23	58	48	3	51
St. Arnaud Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	23	34	57	15	24	39	96	15	7	58	80	74	4	78
Strawell Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	16	46	62	60	56	116	178	30	30	174	234	199	4	203
St. Kilda and Caulfield Ladies' Benevolent Society	13	73	86	49	00	109	195	120	55	501	676	561	45	606
Talbot Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	16	15	31	...	...	...	32	25	5	58	88	93	...	93
Taralale Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	8	...	13	...	...	...	13	10	...	5	15	16	4	20
Tarnagulla Benevolent Society ...	24	...	29	...	...	...	29	20	10	56	86	88	...	88
Wangaratta Ladies' Benevolent Society...	...	16	19	12	12	24	43	10	5	30	45	38	9	47
Warracknabeal Ladies' Benevolent Society	8	17	25	7	24	31	55	10	6	29	45	28	...	28
Warragul Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	4	5	9	6	2	8	17	10	...	18	28	33	...	33
Wedderburn Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	17	5	22	...	...	...	22	10	13	53	76	79	...	79
Williamstown Ladies' Benevolent Society	97	10	107	21	28	49	23	40	...	338	378	221	...	221
Wooden Hill Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	...	...	62	...	...	...	62	5	...	5	12	...	...	12
Yea Ladies' Benevolent Society ...	6	4	10	7	1	8	18	10	1	25	40	21	5	29
Total ...	5,000	7,034	12,034	3,375	3,665	8,125	24,000	7,115	1,519	10,580	19,241	16,817	1,621	17,438

NOTE.—The returns of some of the societies do not distinguish the sexes of the persons relieved, hence the sum of the males and females on the total in columns not agreed with the total of both sexes. The returns of receipts and expenditure represent the net amounts received and expended, exclusive of credit and debit balances, &c. One hundred and sixteen persons are permanently supported in 93 cottages by the Ladies' Benevolent Societies.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES, ETC.—RETURN FOR ELEVEN YEARS.

Year.	Number of Societies.	Number of Persons Relieved.*			Receipts.	Expenditure.	Year.	Number of Societies.	Number of Persons Relieved.*			Receipts.	Expenditure.
		Males.	Females.	Total.†					Males.	Females.	Total.†		
1887-8	45	2,963	4,499	8,476	£ 17,126	£ 16,293	1893-4	55	9,149	14,186	30,059	£ 21,817	£ 18,873
1888-9	45	3,384	6,593	15,134	£ 15,717	£ 15,907	1894-5	57	8,308	13,675	27,477	£ 18,740	£ 18,252
1889-90	46	4,073	6,954	12,422	£ 16,119	£ 16,118	1895-6	60	5,419	8,093	20,004	£ 18,463	£ 17,090
1890-91	46	3,846	8,178	17,634	£ 16,972	£ 16,833	1896-7	57	5,874	8,662	18,265	£ 16,552	£ 16,437
1891-2	48	3,875	12,864	23,767	£ 18,830	£ 18,430	1897-8	69	8,375	10,699	24,603	£ 19,244	£ 17,858
1892-3	55	16,975	24,232	45,553	£ 26,087	£ 22,123							

* It is probable that the figures in these columns do not always indicate distinct individuals, but acts of relief.
 † The returns of some of the societies do not distinguish the sexes of the persons relieved, hence the sum of the males and females does not in any year agree with the total of both sexes.

VICTORIAN SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF ANIMALS.

RETURN showing the Number of Cases of Cruelty dealt with, the Number and Results of Prosecutions, and the Amounts Received and Expended by the Victorian Society for the Protection of Animals, 1885 to 1899.

Year.	Total Number of Cases dealt with.	Cases dealt with for Cruelty to—					Total Number of Prosecutions.	Results of Prosecutions.										Receipts.		Expenditure.
		Horses.	Cattle.	Dogs.	Poultry.	Other Animals.		Cases Dismissed.	Offender Imprisoned without the option of a Fine.	Offender to pay a Penalty of †—					Average Penalties of Offenders.	From Government.	From Private Sources.			
										Under £1.	£1 to £2.	£2 to £3.	£3 to £5.	£5 and Upwards.						
1885	450	314	29	19	43	45	53	5	2	5	5	8	16	12	£ 3	12	5	...	£ 368	£ 378
1886	506	414	20	13	28	31	56	4	...	3	10	15	13	11	£ 3	8	5 1/2	...	£ 345	£ 387
1887	576	438	53	13	45	27	138	12	...	9	26	29	37	25	£ 3	2	3 1/2	...	£ 385	£ 389
1888	603	478	41	15	35	34	165	9	1	15	25	40	49	26	£ 3	7	3	...	£ 500	£ 392
1889	621	521	19	19	33	29	165	24	...	11	20	37	49	24	£ 3	6	5 1/2	...	£ 395	£ 480
1890	684	531	42	32	25	54	210	11	5	15	47	39	64	29	£ 3	0	4 1/2	...	£ 435	£ 442
1891	858	516	75	33	61	173	152	9	1	18	18	40	43	23	£ 3	1	8	250	£ 507	£ 515
1892	816	584	101	21	47	63	129	11	...	16	24	30	30	18	£ 3	0	9 1/2	250	£ 447	£ 511
1893	676	418	109	23	48	78	133	7	3	11	32	33	33	14	£ 2	17	8	250	£ 286	£ 460
1894	679	513	70	25	44	27	111	8	...	12	21	37	22	11	£ 2	1	4 1/2	100	£ 302	£ 431
1895	697	484	80	25	73	35	130	8	...	15	47	35	20	5	£ 2	2	1	100	£ 315	£ 411
1896	558	354	73	41	49	121	8	...	26	36	30	14	7	£ 2	0	0	50	£ 213	£ 302	
*1897	643	433	92	35	48	35	122	7	1	14	41	28	20	11	£ 2	5	1 1/2	50	£ 669	£ 428
1898	694	483	113	22	44	32	157	14	1	25	40	36	39	2	£ 2	2	11	50	£ 579	£ 436
1899	683	472	82	31	46	52	133	7	...	24	47	19	27	9	£ 2	1	3	50	£ 372	£ 384

* Figures for nine months only, as the year was changed in 1896, so as to terminate on the 30th June instead of the 30th September formerly.

† Including Fine and Costs.

NOTE.—This return was furnished by the Secretary, Mr. Thomas Latham.

VICTORIAN DISCHARGED PRISONERS' AID SOCIETY.

RETURN of the Number of Persons Relieved and of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Victorian Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society during the Year ended 30th June, 1898.

Number of Individuals Relieved.	Receipts.					Expenditure.		
	From Government.	Penal Department.	Municipal Grants.	Private Sources.	Total.	Cost of Actual Relief.	Cost of Administration.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
719	463	479	23	287	1,252	1,042	230	1,272

NOTE.—This return was furnished by the Secretary, Mr. W. T. Lazenby

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE OF CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS. SUMMARY FOR 1897-8.

Name of Institution.	Receipts.										Expenditure.					Total.	
	Government Aid.	Municipal Grants or Donations.	Private Contributions.	Proceeds of Entertainment, &c.	Legacies, Bequests, and Donations.	Hospital Sunday and Church Collections.	Payments, Contributions, and Donations from Individuals and Friends.	Proceeds of Tumblers' Labour.	Interest.	Other Receipts.	Total.	Buildings and Extraordinary Repairs.	Maintenance.	Other.	Relief.		Miscellaneous (including interest).
General Hospitals	53,748	5,154	19,249	6,284	7,421	4,644	6,444	2,760	2,858	2,480	112,649	5,312	2,888	98,237	6,991	1,292	114,720
Women's Hospital	2,200	233	1,263	...	178	476	207	227	155	565	5,464	105	99	6,272	425	88	6,989
Children's Hospital	...	239	2,332	...	...	1,262	415	...	534	4997	...	...	343	4,173	1,430	358	6,194
Eye and Ear Hospital	...	260	450	...	...	241	27	718	90	3,442	...	...	86	2,237	180	227	2,730
Total Hospitals	56,818	5,886	23,594	6,284	9,527	6,623	7,693	3,705	3,607	123,552	5,417	3,416	111,019	8,416	1,965	130,633	
Hospitals for the Insane	105,162	...	...	...	...	...	14,599	...	...	119,761	2,709	7,663	109,589	...	...	119,761	
Benevolent Asylums	22,125	1,328	4,251	889	2,944	979	1,201	...	1,782	3,316	5,845	131	803	29,581	6,101	240	36,916
Institute for the Blind	2,061	203	1,527	5	...	27	557	...	122	19	4,502	159	146	5,883	...	63	4,231
Deaf and Dumb Institution	800	210	1,213	...	...	26	280	...	325	25	3,058	171	43	3,026	...	41	3,261
Orphan Asylums	6,501	466	3,939	599	1,163	233	670	...	438	438	18,124	3,186	271	17,192	...	189	20,838
Infant Asylum	172	85	337	284	97	...	80	...	39	24	1,118	...	31	29	...	9	1,015
Female Refugees	1,805	80	1,971	...	686	57	...	...	...	154	12,263	41	396	11,512	...	301	14,730
Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools	53,050	...	...	...	...	...	1,063	...	...	23	54,136	...	...	...	...	...	54,136
Convalescent Homes	300	62	333	2	...	200	38	...	5	88	1,928	12	12	1,951	...	51	1,980
Consumptive Sanatorium	155	29	626	80	35	101	186	...	...	4	1,216	530	...	652	...	63	1,243
Free Dispensaries	255	56	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	403	714	...	...	...	...	...	765
Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society	465	23	51	...	...	...	...	...	...	733	1,252	...	...	1,272	...	...	1,272
Revolvent Societies	7,145	1,519	16,580	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19,244	...	...	17,838	...	...	17,838
Salvation Army Rescue Homes	450	...	436	...	...	...	45	...	...	...	2,701	...	65	3,211	...	640	2,940
Total	257,322	9,956	47,438	7,943	14,584	8,246	25,612	3,705	9,935	6374	123,514	12,356	12,846	363,720	15,323	3,562	407,807

* Net profits of Mashed Dependent and Stock on hand in the Manufacturing and Working Department, amounting to £5,666, this amount being more than counterbalanced by the cost of raw material. No. 12,732) 2,218 (2,573) (including 2,197) depreciation, 2,000, and 2,161 (2,460) written off. The net loss was £186, which is inclusive of 100m. performed in the manufacture of uniforms, &c. &c. — In included under "Private Contributions." — £4,790 of this amount was received from the Local Department. — Cost of actual relief, £1,642; the balance being cost of administration.

HOSPITAL SATURDAY AND SUNDAY FUND, 1873 TO 1898.

RETURN showing the Amounts paid to the respective Charities which participate in the distribution of the Hospital Saturday and Sunday Fund, also the Amounts Collected.

Name of Institution.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	Total 1873 to 1898.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Melbourne Hospital	3,073	2,118	1,336	1,246	1,382	1,186	1,254	1,165	58,187
Alfred Hospital	1,112	973	657	652	546	529	547	582	25,275
Benevolent Asylum	640	637	530	318	250	302	444	373	17,512
Women's Hospital	1,085	855	551	425	526	458	476	450	16,768
Hospital for Sick Children	943	861	680	798	667	926	477	842	20,484
Eye and Ear Hospital	438	403	295	269	206	231	235	210	9,213
Homœopathic Hospital	553	562	375	351	266	301	322	326	9,244
Immigrants' Aid Society	267	178	140	142	101	98	106	96	6,529
Richmond Dispensary*	50	50	50	35	35	35	35	35	1,225
Collingwood Dispensary*	100	100	100	85	85	...	85	60	1,900
Austin Hospital	646	530	437	537	339	370	422	492	8,687
Convalescent Home for Women [†]	150	150	150	125	125	125	125	125	1,415
Convalescent Home for Men [†]	100	100	100	50	50	75	75	75	900
Melbourne District Nursing Society	...	20	51	34	39	53	62	67	326
St. Vincent's Hospital	...	...	...	100	259	326	430	422	1,537
Consumptive Sanatorium, Echuca*	...	...	...	50	75	100	100	100	425
Queen Victoria Hospital for Women	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	35	70
Total paid	9,157	7,537	5,452	5,217	4,951	5,115	5,210	5,455	179,697
Total collected	9,407	7,240	5,795	5,607	5,269	5,555	5,508	5,765	190,104

NOTE.—For amounts paid in years prior to 1891 see issue of this Part for 1895, page 37.
* Special votes, irrespective of subscription lists.

CHARITY ORGANIZATION SOCIETY OF MELBOURNE.

RETURN showing the Number of Cases Investigated, the Results of the Investigations, and the Amounts Received and Expended by the Charity Organization Society of Melbourne during the Year ended 30th June, 1899.

Number of Cases Investigated.	Results of Investigations.		Receipts (all from Private Sources), £	Expenditure, £
	Satisfactory.	Unsatisfactory.		
626*	363	263	1,826	1,629

* Exclusive of 31 cases, of which so little could be discovered that the causes of distress were left undetermined, and of 321 old cases which were re-investigated.

NOTE.—There are now records of 17,000 cases in the archives of the Society. This Society does not aim to distribute charity, but ascertains by investigation whether applicants for relief are deserving of assistance, and thereby assures charitably disposed people that their sympathies are being properly exercised. It maintains a labour test, so that the means of earning good and shelter shall be open to men able and willing to work. It strives to induce co-operation between the charities, the recognition of the necessity of organization in the work of charitable institutions, and the compilation of records of value to the sociologist and philanthropist. It also strives to create a centre of intelligence bearing on charitable work generally.

NOTE.—This return was furnished by the Secretary, Mr. T. C. Mackley.

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

I.—SOCIETIES, BRANCHES, and MEMBERS, 1878—98.

Year or Period.	Societies.	Branches.	Members.							Average Number of Effective Members.	Gain (Loss —).	
			Admitted by—		Left by—			Average Number.				
			Inflation.	Clearance.	Death.	Clearance.	APERTS, &c.					
1878	35	756	4,566	564	467	663	3,756	45,430	45,674	45,552	...	244
1879	35	766	4,650	575	452	762	4,317	45,674	45,368	45,521	*	-306
1880	33	748	5,197	642	425	660	3,737	45,368	46,385	45,876	*	1,017
1881	33	759	6,874	850	571	616	3,491	46,385	49,431	47,908	*	3,046
1882	33	762	7,516	929	606	692	3,918	49,431	52,660	51,045	*	3,229
1883	33	776	9,253	1,144	593	744	4,218	52,660	57,502	55,081	46,830	4,842
1884	32	788	8,264	1,021	640	890	5,040	57,502	60,217	58,859	50,584	2,715
1885	32	817	9,208	1,138	631	870	4,932	60,217	64,130	62,173	52,989	3,913
1886	30	856	11,076	1,369	703	959	5,433	64,130	69,480	66,805	55,507	5,350
1887	32	891	11,069	1,368	801	1,290	7,310	69,480	72,516	70,998	58,948	3,036
1888	33	930	13,071	1,530	790	1,261	6,410	72,516	78,656	75,586	61,987	6,140
1889	33	969	14,773	1,712	883	1,571	7,922	78,656	84,755	81,710	66,558	6,109
1890	33	1,003	13,174	1,734	925	1,743	8,871	84,755	88,134	86,450	70,510	3,369
1891	33	1,048	12,664	1,658	1,001	1,890	9,112	88,134	90,403	89,269	73,144	2,269
1892	33	1,061	8,919	1,378	915	1,579	11,203	90,403	87,003	88,703	73,163	-340
1893	33	1,064	7,660	1,244	838	1,570	11,502	87,003	82,004	84,504	70,381	-4,999
1894	33	1,075	8,158	1,193	817	1,291	10,043	82,004	79,204	80,604	67,735	-2,800
1895	31	1,069	9,128	1,347	920	1,407	8,040	79,204	79,312	79,258	67,077	108
1896	32	1,074	10,304	1,378	801	1,526	7,876	79,312	82,601	80,001	68,002	1,379
1897	31	1,081	11,130	1,221	867	1,462	6,701	82,601	84,012	82,552	70,186	3,321
1898	31	1,088	12,406	1,408	931	1,559	6,650	84,012	88,726	86,569	73,556	4,714
1878—98	...	...	199,069	25,341	15,667	24,985	140,462	45,430	88,726	...	...	43,296

* The Effective members, those entitled to sick or funeral benefits, were not distinguished from the total number of members prior to 1883

II.—TOTAL RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE and FUNDS, in the Sick and Funeral and Medical and Management Funds, taken together, for each Year 1878-98.

Year.	Receipts.				Expenditure.						Excess of Receipts over Expenditure.	Funds at beginning of Period.	Funds at end of Period.
	Contributions, Entrance Fees, and Levies.	Interest.	Other Receipts.	Total.	Sick Pay.	Funeral Benefits.	Medical Attendance and Medicine.	Management.	Other Expenditure.	Total.			
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1878	151,019	18,015	12,845	161,879	45,141	11,412	47,131	25,374	10,992	140,050	21,829	367,079	388,908
1879	150,245	20,981	18,491	169,717	47,257	11,031	47,467	24,842	15,196	145,793	23,924	388,908	412,832
1880	152,061	22,612	15,688	170,361	46,157	10,083	47,354	25,014	14,858	145,466	26,895	412,832	439,727
1881	159,085	22,577	17,609	179,271	49,219	13,276	49,716	25,891	16,376	154,478	24,793	439,727	464,520
1882	149,991	24,460	19,063	193,514	50,489	12,996	53,397	27,544	20,506	164,932	28,572	464,520	493,132
1883	161,310	25,386	23,141	209,837	55,002	14,191	57,608	28,342	21,509	176,652	33,185	493,132	526,317
1884	172,853	29,104	23,710	225,667	55,195	14,592	62,060	29,891	20,292	182,031	43,636	526,317	569,953
1885	181,210	30,815	22,433	234,458	61,296	14,976	65,135	31,555	17,860	190,822	43,636	569,953	613,589
1886	193,911	32,010	33,050	258,971	63,499	17,118	69,991	33,278	22,994	206,790	52,181	613,589	665,770
1887	203,559	36,008	26,939	267,106	69,045	17,550	73,003	35,525	23,592	218,815	48,291	665,770	714,061
1888	223,019	37,874	21,035	281,928	67,347	18,260	77,923	36,499	27,713	227,742	54,186	714,061	768,247
1889	236,131	40,485	25,391	302,007	75,811	20,601	84,069	41,985	19,175	241,611	60,366	768,247	828,613
1890	246,516	45,838	27,809	320,163	88,641	20,867	88,591	45,765	24,843	268,707	51,456	828,613	880,069
1891	254,721	45,783	36,087	337,591	98,016	22,441	91,024	48,080	27,775	287,336	50,255	880,069	930,324
1892	245,914	47,569	26,066	319,549	90,924	20,827	90,955	49,158	19,080	270,944	48,605	930,324	978,929
1893	233,498	46,446	25,207	305,151	101,253	19,105	84,918	45,692	18,762	269,730	35,421	978,929	1,014,350
1894	226,903	43,493	26,743	297,139	100,753	18,538	81,244	45,538	25,662	271,735	25,404	1,014,350	1,039,754
1895	230,004	42,889	31,882	304,775	103,457	21,419	80,955	43,861	22,718	272,410	32,365	1,039,754	1,072,119
1896	236,302	41,198	29,124	306,624	98,582	21,164	83,534	45,967	20,462	267,709	38,915	1,072,119	1,111,034
1897	242,767	40,857	25,946	309,550	100,315	21,152	85,441	46,160	23,885	276,951	32,599	1,111,034	1,143,633
1898	255,179	41,222	27,153	323,554	111,068	22,028	89,647	46,967	23,517	293,227	30,327	1,143,633	1,173,960
1878-98	4,226,198	737,232	515,412	5,478,842	1,578,468	363,727	1,511,073	780,928	437,765	4,671,961	806,881	367,079	1,173,960

III.—INVESTMENTS of the Sick and Funeral and Medical and Management Funds taken together in each Year 1878-98.

Year	Funds.				Proportion of Funds invested.	Rate of Interest realized on Total Funds.
	Total.	Invested in		Not invested.		
	£	Mortgages, Debentures, and Bank Deposits.	Halls and other Freehold Property.	£	per cent.	per cent.
1878	388,908	304,641	44,062	40,265	89.7	4.76
1879	412,832	328,426	47,856	36,550	91.1	5.23
1880	439,727	346,581	48,565	44,581	89.9	5.30
1881	464,520	367,918	47,168	49,434	89.4	4.99
1882	493,132	400,968	44,846	47,318	90.4	5.11
1883	526,317	429,157	51,588	45,572	91.3	4.98
1884	569,953	465,984	47,245	56,724	90.0	5.31
1885	613,589	510,897	46,530	56,162	90.8	5.21
1886	665,770	559,112	57,547	49,111	92.6	5.00
1887	714,061	604,360	55,117	54,584	92.4	5.31
1888	768,247	638,030	66,852	63,365	91.8	5.11
1889	828,613	698,587	69,527	60,499	92.7	5.07
1890	880,069	748,609	69,813	61,647	93.0	5.37
1891	930,324	804,565	70,365	55,394	94.0	5.17
1892	978,929	846,036	73,915	58,978	94.0	4.98
1893	1,014,350	884,150	79,994	50,206	95.1	4.66
1894	1,039,754	891,602	87,286	60,866	94.1	4.23
1895	1,072,119	911,634	94,029	66,456	93.8	4.06
1896	1,111,034	925,147	106,336	79,551	92.8	3.77
1897	1,143,633	953,232	114,600	75,801	93.4	3.62
1898	1,173,960	968,197	122,636	83,127	92.9	3.56
Average	...	...	...	...	92.1	4.80

IV.—EXPERIENCE of Sickness, Mortality, and Departures in each Year 1878-98.

Year.	Sickness.								Mortality.			Departures by Arrears, &c., and Clearance, per 1,000 Members.
	Members Sick.		Duration.			Sick Pay.			Of Members.	Of Wives.	Per 1,000 Members.	
	Number.	Per 1,000 Effective Members.	Number of Weeks.	Per Sick Member.	Per Effective Member.	Per Sick Member.	Per Effective Member.	Per Week.	Per 1,000 Members.	Number of Deaths.		
				wes. dys.	working days.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.				
1878	8,207	*	55,189	6 4	*	5 10 0	"	16 4	10'25	291	6'39	97'01
1879	8,519	*	58,174	6 5	*	5 10 11	"	16 0	9'93	240	5'27	111'57
1880	8,310	*	58,443	7 0	*	5 11 1	"	15 10	9'26	218	4'75	95'85
1881	8,554	*	61,174	7 2	*	5 15 0	*	15 10	11'92	288	6'01	85'73
1882	8,666	*	64,311	7 1	*	5 12 7	"	15 8	11'87	277	5'43	90'31
1883	9,482	202'5	70,722	7 3	9'1	5 15 0	1 3 6	15 7	10'77	321	5'83	90'09
1884	9,286	183'6	71,907	7 4	8'5	5 18 11	1 1 10	15 4	10'87	326	5'54	100'75
1885	10,920	206'1	78,642	7 1	8'9	5 12 3	1 3 2	15 7	10'15	353	5'68	93'32
1886	10,177	183'3	80,621	7 5	8'7	6 4 9	1 2 11	15 9	10'52	362	5'42	95'68
1887	11,209	190'2	88,532	7 5	9'0	6 3 0	1 3 5	15 7	11'28	321	4'52	121'13
1888	11,227	181'1	89,602	8 0	8'7	6 0 0	1 1 9	15 0	10'45	383	5'07	101'49
1889	12,243	183'8	99,230	8 0	8'9	6 3 11	1 2 10	15 4	10'81	437	5'35	116'18
1890	14,806	210'0	115,906	7 5	9'9	5 19 9	1 5 2	15 4	10'70	434	5'02	122'78
1891	17,693	241'9	128,431	7 2	10'5	5 10 10	1 6 10	15 3	11'21	454	5'09	123'25
1892	13,968	190'9	124,668	9 0	10'2	6 10 2	1 4 10	14 7	10'32	417	4'70	144'10
1893	16,611	236'0	138,706	8 2	11'8	6 1 11	1 8 9	14 7	9'92	359	4'25	154'69
1894	15,284	225'6	143,285	9 2	12'7	6 11 10	1 9 9	14 1	10'13	348	4'32	140'61
1895	16,808	250'6	149,800	8 5	13'4	6 3 1	1 10 10	13 10	11'61	381	4'81	119'19
1896	15,038	221'1	148,515	9 5	13'1	6 11 1	1 9 0	13 3	11'14	388	4'85	117'52
1897	15,773	225'9	149,438	9 3	12'8	6 7 2	1 8 9	13 5	10'57	396	4'83	99'54
1898	18,693	255'5	160,611	8 4	12'2	5 18 10	1 10 5	13 10	10'82	481	5'60	94'79
Average ...	...	211'8	...	8 0	10'5	5 19 8	1 5 10	15 1	10'69	...	5'18	110'27

* See footnote to Table I. on previous page.

V.—SUMMARY of all Funds possessed by Friendly Societies in Victoria at the end of 1898.

Names of Funds.	Amount.
Sick and Funeral Funds	£ 1,133,156
Medical and Management Funds	40,804
Widows' and Orphans' Funds	18,705
Congregational Ministers' Provident Society Funds	14,010
Accident Funds	172
Other Funds, chiefly Benevolent and Suspense Funds	13,429
Female Societies	934
Grand Total	£1,221,210
Average per Member	£13 13s. od.

NOTE.—The foregoing tables relating to Friendly Societies are taken from the Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the Year 1898.

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