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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY
OF VICTORIA,

FOR 1903,

WITH A

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE
FINANCIAL YEAR 1902-3.

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REPORT.

TO THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

The Trustees of the Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria have the honour to submit the following report for the year 1903:—

1. THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Library now contains in all branches about 203,757 volumes, and I have again to call attention to the increasing difficulty of storage in the Institution. The present building, as has been pointed out many times, is unsuitable for a Public Reading Room. It makes the cost of management and supervision more costly than is necessary, and does not allow the Trustees to afford the facilities that they would wish in serving the public nor does it enable them to keep that oversight of readers that is essential in a Library so free to all classes as the Public Library of Victoria. Apart from the Reading Rooms there is practically no provision for storage of books, and the rotunda, which is temporarily used for the purpose, is very unsuitable, and what accommodation it does afford is almost fully availed of at the present time. The question of future provision must be dealt with at an early date, or the utility of the Library must be seriously diminished.

During the year the Trustees devoted a considerable amount of attention to the question of the exclusion of undesirable visitors to the Library, and they found the matter beset with difficulties. They had almost decided to introduce a system that would require all readers desiring access to the shelves to provide themselves with a pass, whilst not refusing any of the public access to the building or the use of any particular books. Careful inquiry, however, elicited the fact that the percentage of undesirable readers is a very small one, and it was felt that the great majority of readers would be somewhat burdened in order to deal with a comparative few whose attendance is not desired. The Trustees have taken such action as will exclude any positively objectionable visitors, and they propose to make such further alterations, so soon as space is available, as will, they confidently hope, free the reading rooms from all undesirable visitors.

The statistics of the Lending Library show that this branch of the Institution is steadily increasing in popularity and usefulness, and it is gratifying to be able to record that whilst the issues for the year amounted to nearly 180,000, there was little to complain of in the way of loss or damage. The Trustees have been strict in enforcing fines for breaches of rules and for carelessness in using books, and the borrowers are now beginning to understand that it is to their advantage that the rules should be strictly enforced. There has been very little friction, and practically no complaints have been received from the public during the year, notwithstanding the large and increasing number of active borrowers on the rolls.

2. THE NATIONAL GALLERY.

The additions to the Gallery during the year have been few, and nothing worthy of special note has been added, as the Trustees had no funds at their disposal for the purchase of pictures of value. A small picture entitled "Sheep," by James Ward, R.A., was obtained at a sale in Melbourne, and five good examples of Phil May's black and white work were added to the collection.

The Trustees have pleasure in acknowledging a valuable bequest of coins, tokens, medals, and badges, which was made to the Institution by the late George McArthur, of Maldon.

In the early part of the year the Director paid a visit to Great Britain and Europe, and obtained much valuable information with regard to the work being done in the principal schools of painting and drawing, and also with regard to matters of general interest in connexion with the Gallery.

3. THE INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM.

The Curator again reports that, with the present inadequate accommodation any considerable progress has been impossible, but certain improvements have been made in the collections, and particularly in regard to the models of fruits. The Trustees are indebted to Mr. C. Bogue Luffmann and Mr. Neilson for assistance in this matter.

4. THE NATIONAL MUSEUM.

The Honorary Director and his staff are so greatly hampered by want of exhibition room and inadequate accommodation that it is especially pleasing to be able to report that much valuable work has been done during the year. It was found necessary to close the Museum for one day in the week for the purposes of disinfecting and cleaning the specimens, and the advantages resulting from this more than compensate for the slight inconvenience it causes. Students and visitors from a distance are admitted, if they so desire, on application to the Curators.

The Trustees are under obligations to the Council of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society for many valuable donations, and at the end of the year they obtained the skin and skeleton of a large Indian elephant that died at the Zoological Gardens.

The arrangement of the Australian fossil collection is almost completed, and considerable additions have been made to the Ethnological collections. Valuable donations were received from Professor Spencer and others, and some old armour and native weapons were received from the bequest of the late George McArthur, in addition to coins, &c., mentioned in the National Gallery Report.

5. GENERAL.

The Libraries Act was amended so as to make the attendance of Trustees at a certain number of meetings compulsory, and the number of future Trustees was limited to eighteen.

Professor Irving, who had been a Trustee of the institution since 1871, resigned his position on the Board, as he had left the State. Professor Tucker also resigned during the year. Mr. J. Ford Paterson, Lieut.-Col. Reay, and Dr. Joske, were appointed Trustees.

Mr. Henry Gyles Turner, Vice-President, was appointed as a representative of the Trustees on the Council of the Working Men's College, and Mr. James Smith, Treasurer, was re-elected to a similar position for the period 1904-5.

The Trustees are gratified to be able to report that in April last they were informed by the Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company that the late James McAllan had bequeathed his residuary estate, valued at about £20,000, for the erection of a new wing to the buildings. It is not probable, however, that this money will be available for some years.

31st March, 1904.

EDWARD LANGTON,
President.

DIVISION 15.—PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND
Statement of Income and Expenditure

Dr.

Date.	Sub-division.	Parliamentary Grant.	Amount.			Total.		
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1962-3.		To Salaries—						
		Public Library—						
	1	Professional Division	2,542	0	0			
	2	Clerical "	869	0	0			
	3	General "	1,991	0	0	5,402	0	0
		Industrial and Technological Museum—						
	4	Professional Division	289	0	0			
	5	Exempt "	90	0	0			
	6	General Division "	413	0	0	792	0	0
		National Museum—						
	7	Professional Division	589	0	0			
	8	Clerical "	237	0	0			
	9	General "	1,208	0	0			
	10	Exempt "	230	0	0	2,264	0	0
		National Gallery—						
	11	Exempt "	921	0	0			
	12	General Division "	842	0	0	1,763	0	0
	13	To Contingencies				8,380	0	0
		Note.—Deposit receipts, &c., held by the Trustees on 28th October, 1963—						
		National Bank of Australasia— £2,675, due 12th April, 1964.						
		Commercial Bank of Australia— £3,429 11s. 8d., due 5.2.1964, 8.10.1965, and 30.9.1966.						
		Special Assets Trust— £1,535 8s. 6d.						
		Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Debentures, amounting to £750, due 1.4.1966.						
						18,601	0	0

JAMES SMITH,
Treasurer.

NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA.
for the Financial Year 1902-3.

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Date.	Sub-division.	Expenditure.	Amount.			Total.		
1902-3.			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
		By Salaries—						
		Public Library—						
	1	Professional Division	2,476	8	10			
	2	Clerical „	834	1	1			
	3	General „	1,835	17	1			
						5,146	7	0
		Industrial and Technological Museum—						
	4	Professional Division	289	0	0			
	5	Exempt	90	0	0			
	6	General Division	411	4	9			
						790	4	9
		National Museum—						
	7	Professional Division	589	0	0			
	8	Clerical „	236	2	7			
	9	General „	1,202	4	6			
	10	Exempt	223	8	0			
						2,250	15	1
		National Gallery—						
	11	Exempt	920	10	0			
	12	General Division	840	15	7			
						1,761	5	7
	13	By Contingencies				8,379	14	5
		AMOUNTS LAPSED.						
		Public Library—						
		Professional	65	11	2			
		Clerical	34	18	11			
		General	155	2	11			
		I. and T. Museum—General	1	15	3			
		National Museum—						
		Clerical	0	17	5			
		General	5	15	6			
		Exempt	6	12	0			
		National Gallery—						
		Exempt	0	10	0			
		General	1	4	5			
		Contingencies				272	7	7
						0	5	7
						18,601	0	0

E. LA T. ARMSTRONG,
Chief Librarian and Secretary.

PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA.

Petty Cash Account for the Financial Year 1902-3.

DR.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance from 1901-2	...	...	...	1,429	3	4
Fees, Painting School	...	...	...	83	0	0
Fees, Drawing School	...	...	...	120	0	0
Sale of Exhibit	...	...	...	5	2	6
Subpœnas	...	...	...	4	4	0
Sale of Catalogues	...	...	...	19	2	6
Cheques—Books lost by Country Institutes	...	...	...	0	16	1
Repayment of Advances made to Gilbee Bequest Account	...	...	...	752	6	4
Lending Library Receipts—						
Fines and Damages	178	5	3			
Sales (Catalogues, &c)	30	4	10			
				208	10	1
				2,622	4	10

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1902.						
Sep. 2. By McCarron, Bird and Co., "Library Record"	17	16	0
" 2. F. O'Reilly, 1,000 Post-cards	4	3	4
" 2. Syd. Day, 1,000 copies "Fawkner" Block	...	...	...	0	10	6
Oct. 3. A. H. Massina and Co., Receipt-books	...	...	...	6	11	6
J. Longstaff, 2nd Instalment on Gilbee Commission	150	0	0			
Premium on Draft to J. Longstaff	1	13	10			
				151	13	10
Nov. 17. Postage on "Library Record"	...	...	...	2	19	3
E. P. Fox, 3rd Instalment on Gilbee Commission	...	...	...	500	0	0
Dec. 24. Attendants—Overtime, 1.11.02-18.12.02	...	...	...	14	14	6
" " Conversazione	...	...	...	6	2	0
1903.						
Feb. 6. H. Skinner—Catering	37	10	0			
" Hire of Chairs	2	16	3			
				40	6	3
" 11. McCarron, Bird and Co.—Cards, &c.	...	...	...	2	16	0
" 12. Professor Peterson—Music at Conversazione	...	...	...	10	0	0
Mar. 4. McCarron, Bird and Co.—Invitation Cards	...	...	...	2	10	0
April 4. Mutual Store—Refreshments to Judges, Students' Exhibition	...	...	...	1	5	6
June 17. A. H. Massina and Co.—Receipt-books	...	...	...	1	2	6
" 30. Balance	...	...	...	1,859	13	8
				2,622	4	10

JAMES SMITH,
Treasurer.E. LA T. ARMSTRONG,
Chief Librarian and Secretary.

PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA.—
TRAVELLING SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNT.

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the Financial Year 1902-3.

Dr.

		£	s.	d.
1902.				
July 1.	To Balance in the Bank of Australasia			124 6 0
Aug. 25.	Interest on Fixed Deposit Receipt, £307 1s. 8d., Commercial Bank, 1.1.02 to 31.7.02	£5	7	4
	Interest on Fixed Deposit, Assets Trust, £1,535 8s. 6d., 1.1.02 to 31.7.02	23	0	7
				28 7 11
Oct. 1.	Interest on Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Debentures, 1.4.02 to 30.9.02			15 18 9
1903.				
Jan. 23.	Interest on Fixed Deposit Receipts and Assets Trust (as above), 1.7.02 to 31.12.02			28 7 11
April 1.	Interest on Debentures (as above), 1.10.02 to 31.3.03			15 18 9
				212 19 4

Cr.

		£	s.	d.
1902.				
Aug. 14.	By Draft to D. M. Meldrum	£37	10	0
	Premium on Draft	0	8	7
				37 18 7
Dec. 22.	Draft to D. M. Meldrum	£37	10	0
	Premium on Draft	0	7	7
				37 17 7
1903.				
April 28.	Myer Altson. Advance on half-year's allowance			50 0 0
May 5.	Draft to D. M. Meldrum	£37	10	0
	Premium on Draft	0	8	7
				37 18 7
June 30.	Bank charges			0 10 0
" 30.	Balance in Bank of Australasia			48 14 7
				212 19 4

JAMES SMITH,
Treasurer.

E. LA T. ARMSTRONG,
Chief Librarian and Secretary.

GILBEE BEQUEST ACCOUNT.
PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Financial Year 1902-3.

Dr.

		£	s.	d.
1902.				
July 1.	To Balance in Bank of Australasia	58	18	7
1903.				
Feb. 7.	„ Amount withdrawn from fixed deposit	752	6	4
		811	4	11

Cr.

		£	s.	d.
1902.				
July 17.	By National Mutual Life Association assurance of lives of Mes-srs. Longstaff and Fox	15	0	0
1903.				
Feb. 11.	„ Refund to petty cash account, amounts paid to Messrs. Longstaff and Fox on their commissions	752	6	4
April 6.	„ Malleson, England, and Stewart—Law Charge	1	1	0
June 30.	„ Bank charge for year	0	10	0
„ 30.	„ Balance in Bank of Australasia	42	7	7
		811	4	11

JAMES SMITH,
Treasurer.

E. LA. T. ARMSTRONG,
Chief Librarian and Secretary.

I certify that the foregoing Statements of Accounts of the Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria have been examined and found correct, and that I have inspected the deposit receipts held by the Trustees and found them also correct. The manager of the Bank of Australasia certifies that the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works debentures are held by the Bank.

Audit Office,
Melbourne, 22nd February, 1904

F. H. BRUFORD,
Auditor-General.

The Public Library,
Melbourne, 23rd March, 1904.

To the Chairman of the Library Committee.

The Chief Librarian has the honour to submit the following report for the year 1903:—

I.—THE REFERENCE LIBRARY.

The additions to the Library during the year were:—

5,954 volumes,
609 pamphlets,
56 maps,
40,091 newspapers.

The system of using Accession books, introduced in 1901, is found to be very satisfactory, and the statistics of the Library are more accurate than formerly.

The Reference Department contained, at the end of the year under review, 149,502 volumes.

The number of visits paid to the Library, including the newspaper room, was 354,582.

The amount spent in bookbinding in all departments was £1,281 10s. 6d., as against £940 13s. 9d. for the previous year. Some more of the old newspapers have been bound, but there are still a large number that should go to the binder as soon as possible.

For years past the damage done to the bindings of the large folio volumes by constant use has been very great. An effort has been made to mitigate this, in the case of the more valuable volumes, by introducing a special kind of shelving on the model of that in use in the newspaper room. The wear and tear in handling the volumes is thus reduced to a minimum, and where glass doors can be used, a large amount of unnecessary handling by the public is avoided altogether.

The result of the year's stocktaking showed that 57 volumes were missing from the shelves. A number of books are illegally removed from the Library during each year, but not always with the intention of stealing them. Not infrequently they are returned to the shelves in a mysterious way after being reported as missing for a long time. Recently a volume that had been missing for more than seventeen years was found in its place on the shelves. Unfortunately, as has been frequently pointed out, proper supervision in the present Library buildings is impossible, and until a reading room adapted for its purpose can be erected, unnecessary loss and damage to books must occur.

Many valuable additions were made to the more costly books of reference during the year, and a special effort was made to improve the collection in the section devoted to music. The best editions of the works of Beethoven, Mozart, and Schubert were added, and it is hoped that complete editions of the other masters will be obtained very shortly.

Schedules, showing details of statistics, &c., are attached.

II.—THE LENDING LIBRARY.

The statistics for the year show that more members of the public are using the Lending Library each year. The number of active borrowers on the rolls for 1903 was 8,443, as against 8,051 for the previous year. Books were issued to the number of 178,775 as against 167,847 for the year 1902. The percentage of fiction used is still high, although very few novels were added during the year. No works of fiction issued within two years are added to the Library, under general instructions, and every encouragement is given to readers of History (including works of travel), General Literature, and the Useful Arts, which, next to fiction, are the three divisions of the Library mostly used by borrowers.

After the yearly stocktaking only 14 volumes were unaccounted for, and all of these, as in the preceding year, were books of trifling value.

TABLE SHOWING THE ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING LIBRARY DURING THE YEAR 1903.

Mode of Acquisition.	No. of Volumes.	Value.
		£ s. d.
Purchase	* 2,175	493 12 3
Donation	13	1 18 9
Totals	2,188	495 11 0

(* Includes books withdrawn and replaced.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF BOOKS IN THE LENDING LIBRARY ON 31ST DECEMBER, 1903, AND THE NUMBER BORROWED DURING 1903.

Subject.	No. of Volumes in the Library.	No. of Volumes Borrowed.	Percentage of Books Lent.
General Works of Reference	82	244	.13
1. Philosophy	469	2,425	1.35
2. Religion	1,164	4,457	2.49
3. Sociology	1,434	4,940	2.77
4. Philology	93	250	.13
5. Natural Science	1,082	4,798	2.68
6. Useful Arts	1,594	10,327	5.77
7. Fine Arts	760	5,324	2.97
8. Literature	2,788	12,256	6.85
9. History	5,634	23,328	13.
Fiction	5,417	110,426	61.76
	20,517	178,775	...

III.—THE TRAVELLING LIBRARIES.

The recent additions to these cases have proved acceptable to the country libraries, and the demand for loans show a steady increase. The following table shows the Institutes to which books were lent during the year, and the number of volumes lent in each case.

BOOKS LENT TO MECHANICS' INSTITUTES AND FREE LIBRARIES.

Name of Institute.	No. of Volumes Lent.	Name of Institute.	No. of Volumes Lent.
Amherst Mechanics' Institute ...	52	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	98
Amphitheatre Free Library ...	203	Narracan Free Library ...	156
Ardmona Mechanics' Institute ...	54	Numurkah Mechanics' Institute ...	155
Ballan Mechanics' Institute ...	53	Pitfield Mechanics' Institute ...	192
Belmont Free Library ...	44	Port Melbourne Free Library ...	46
Birregurra Mechanics' Institute ...	102	Portland Free Library ...	98
Bloomfield Free Library ...	196	Queenscliff Free Library ...	304
Boomalnoomoonah Literary Society ...	96	Romsey Mechanics' Institute ...	288
Briagolong Mechanics' Institute ...	104	Rutherglen Public Library ...	97
Cape Clear Free Library ...	93	Sea Lake Public Library ...	290
Cobram Mechanics' Institute ...	195	Shepparton Free Public Library ...	44
Cobden Free Library ...	49	Smeaton Mechanics' Institute ...	200
Colac Free Library ...	101	South Melbourne Free Library ...	45
Cowes Free Library ...	99	Tallangatta Athenæum ...	194
Dandenong Mechanics' Institute ...	204	Taradale Mechanics' Institute ...	141
Donald Mechanics' Institute ...	155	Tatura Mechanics' Institute ...	110
Ferntree Gully Public Library ...	196	Upper Maffra Mechanics' Institute ...	185
Gerangamete Public Hall ...	95	Violet Town Mechanics' Institute ...	104
Gerang Gerung Free Library ...	52	Watchem Mechanics' Institute ...	100
Heidelberg Public Library ...	195	Whittlesea Free Library ...	53
Horsham Mechanics' Institute ...	48	Willung Mechanics' Institute ...	197
Lancefield Free Library ...	190	Woodend Mechanics' Institute ...	57
Maldon Athenæum ...	95	Wycheproof Mechanics' Institute ...	101
Monbulk Mechanics' Institute ...	98	Yan Yean Mechanics' Institute ...	96
Mooroopna Mechanics' Institute ...	195	Yarram Mechanics' Institute ...	95
Mortlake Mechanics' Institute ...	97	Yarrawonga Mechanics' Institute and Free Library	
<i>Carried forward</i> ...	3,061	Total ...	6,507

E. LA T. ARMSTRONG,
Chief Librarian.

SCHEDULE 1.
ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY DURING THE YEAR 1903.

Mode of Accession.	Volumes.	Pamphlets.	Maps.	Miscellaneous.	Newspapers.	Approximate Value.
Purchase, including duplicates	4,343	37	2	97	3,468	£ s. d. 2,581 14 2
Donation, including duplicates	1,432	509	4	1	13,278	1,108 11 5
Copyright	268	69	50	1	23,345	254 17 8
Pamphlets bound into volumes	41	...	...	...	...	...
	6,024	613	56	99	40,091	3,945 3 3
Withdrawn	70	4	...	...	...	...
Totals	5,954	609	56	99	40,091	3,945 3 3

SCHEDULE 2.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, ETC., RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR 1903.

Classification.	Volumes.	Pamphlets.	Maps.	Miscellaneous.
Religion	323	5	...	...
Philosophy	130	6	...	...
Social Science	1,398	233	...	...
History	1,175	68	2	2
Science	863	102	...	...
Fine Arts	352	2	...	96
Arts and Trades	602	104	54	1
Philology	97	3	...	...
Literature	907	13	...	...
Fiction	29	...	...	...
Bibliography	148	77	...	...
	6,024	613	56	99

SCHEDULE 3.

REFERENCE LIBRARY STATISTICS FROM 1856 TO DECEMBER, 1903.

Year.	No. of Visitors.	No. of Volumes (including duplicates).
1856	22,769	3,846
1866	215,305	41,232
1876	214,165	73,202
1886	395,701	108,784
1896	355,920	140,120
1897	338,503	141,903
1898	341,631	144,548
1899	352,419	147,479
1900	361,787	152,930
1901	366,091	158,917
1902	403,006	164,761
1903	354,582	170,715

SCHEDULE 4.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CASES AND PARCELS FROM SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTIONS IN VICTORIA, DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE PUBLIC LIBRARY DURING 1903.

How Distributed.	No. of Cases.	No. of Parcels.	No. of Publications.
Through Smithsonian Institution ...	11	472	1,355
By post ... ..	...	655	1,168
By hand ... ..	...	7	7
Through Tender Board ... ..	...	4	8
Total	11	1,138	2,538

SCHEDULE 5.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CASES AND PARCELS FROM SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTIONS OUTSIDE OF VICTORIA, DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1903.

Through whom sent.	No. of Cases.	No. of Parcels in Cases.
Smithsonian Institution	30	623
New South Wales Board of International Exchanges	7	97
Minister of Public Instruction, France	3	111
Total	40	831

SCHEDULE 6.

DONATIONS TO THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF VICTORIA DURING 1903.

Donor.	Volumes.	Pamphlets.	Miscellaneous.	Maps.	News-papers.
Aberdeen Public Library .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Aberdeen University	1	..	..	..	..
Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia	1	..	..	..	..
Académie Royale de Belgique	5	..	..	..	..
Age—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
Albury Daily News—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
American Historical Association	2	..	..	..	..
Amsterdamsche Universiteits-Bibliotheek	1	1	..	..	..
Anglo-Russian Literary Society	1	..	..	..	..
Anonymous	1	..	..	..	..
Ararat Chronicle—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	104
Argus—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
Art Association of Montreal .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Association to promote Teaching of Speech to the Deaf .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Auckland Institute and Museum .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Australasian Christian World—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	52
Australasian Medical Gazette—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Australasian Metal Company Limited .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Australian Photographic Journal—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Australian Star—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313

SCHEDULE 6—continued.

Donor.	Volumes.	Pamph-lets.	Misce-laneous.	Maps.	News-papers.
Bailey (F. M.)	1	..	..	..	..
Bataviaasch Genootschap van Kunsten en Wetenschappen	1	..	..	..	..
Bathurst Times—Proprietor of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	313
Battersea Public Libraries .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..
Belgium—Government of	6	..	..	..	..
Benson (J. W.)	1	..	..	..	..
Berrigan Advocate—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
Bibliothèque Royale de Belgique	1	2	..	..	..
Birmingham Free Libraries .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..
Birmingham University	2	..	..	..	..
Bonwick (J.)	1	..	..	..	..
Bookseller—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Boston Public Library	3	..	..	..	..
Boston Society of Natural History	1	..	..	..	..
Brazil—Government of	1	7	..	..	..
Brisbane Courier—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	313
Bristol Public Library .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..
British Archaeological Association	1	..	..	..	..
British Association for the Advancement of Science	3	..	..	..	..
British Australasian—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
British Columbia—Government of	2	..	..	..	..
British Museum—Trustees of the	15	..	..	..	..
Burrangong Argus—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	104
Butterworth (A. R.) .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..
California Academy of Sciences	2	..	..	..	..
Cambridge University .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..
Campbell (Sir J. Logan) .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..
Canada—Government of	16	..	..	..	..
Canada Law Book Company	1	..	..	..	..
Canterbury College (New Zealand)	1	1	..	..	..
Cape of Good Hope—Government of	2	..	..	..	..
Cape Times (Daily Edition)—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	313
Cape Times (Weekly Edition)—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
Capricornian—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
Carnegie Free Library (Pennsylvania) .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..
Carnegie Library (Pittsburg)	1	..	..	..	..
Ceylon Independent—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..
Chambre de Commerce Française de Sydney .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..
Chicago Board of Trade	2	..	..	..	..
Chronicle (Adelaide)—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
Cincinnati Public Library	1	2	..	..	..
City of York Public Library .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..
Clemm (Dr. W. N.) .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..
Colledge (P. F.)	1	..	..	..	..
Colliery Guardian—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Connecticut Academy of Arts and Sciences	1	..	..	..	..
Coolgardie Miner—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	307
Corowa Free Press—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	104
Crawford (Earl of)	1	..	..	..	..
Critic (Adelaide)—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
Cyprus—Government of .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..
Daily Telegraph (Launceston)—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	313
Daily Telegraph (Sydney)—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	313
Darling Downs Gazette—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	313
Davies (J. E.)	1	..	..	..	..
De Ingenieur—Proprietors of	1	..	..	..	..
Dowson (W.)	1	..	..	..	..
Draper's Record—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Dunstan Times—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
Electrical Engineer—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Ellery (R. J. L.)	14	..	..	..	..
Engineering—Proprietors of the	3	..	..	..	..

SCHEDULE 6—continued.

Donor.	Volumes.	Pamph-lets.	Miscel-laneous.	Maps.	News-papers.
Englishman (Calcutta)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	52
Enoch Pratt Free Library .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Evening Observer (Brisbane)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
Evening Post (Wellington)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
Every Saturday—Proprietors of .. ..	..	..	..	..	52
Examiner (Tasmania)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
Fahie (J. J.) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Farmers' Club (London) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Faulding's Medical Journal	1	..	..	..	..
Federal Standard (Wentworth)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	52
Field Columbian Museum	4	..	..	..	..
Fiji—Government of	2	..	..	..	..
Finley Free Press—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	51
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass., U.S.A. .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Ford (Mrs.)	1	..	..	..	..
Freeman's Journal (Sydney)—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	52
Freeman's Chronicle (Sydney)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	11
Gazeta Polska (Chicago)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	104
Geological Society of London	3	2	..	..	..
Geraldton Express (Western Australia)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	52
Germany—Government of	53	..	..	..	..
Giddons (J. H.) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Giessen University .. ..	..	60	..	..	..
Glasgow University	1	..	..	..	..
Godin (Mme. V. J. A.)§	1	1	..	..	..
Gordon and Gotch Limited	1	..	..	..	..
Goreau (E.) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania	1	..	..	..	..
Great Britain—Government of	394	107	..	..	..
Green (Dr. S. A.)	4	3	..	..	..
Grey (H.)	4	..	..	..	..
Grey River Argus—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	279
Hamilton Scientific Association	1	..	..	..	..
Hardingham (G. G. M.) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Harvard University .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Heginbotton Free Library .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Hemlow-Meriam Company (California) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Herald of Peace and International Arbitration—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Herald of the Golden Age—Proprietors of the	3	..	..	..	..
Herald-Standard—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	474
Hill (D.)	1	..	..	..	..
Historical Society of Pennsylvania	2	..	..	..	..
Home for Training in Speech of Deaf Children .. ..	..	3	..	..	..
Hutchinson (M. L.) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Illustrated London News—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	52
India—Government of	74	99	..	..	..
Indian and Eastern Engineer—Proprietors of the	2	..	..	..	..
Indiana Academy of Science	1	..	..	..	..
Institution of Civil Engineers	7	..	..	..	..
Isaacs (Moss) .. ..	..	..	..	..	52
Jamsetjee Messerwanjee Petit Institute (Bombay)	1	..	..	..	..
John Crerar Library	2	1	..	..	..
Kerr (J. M.) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Kimberley Public Library .. ..	..	2	..	..	..
Kon. Preussische Akademie der Wissenschaften (Berlin)	1	..	..	..	..
Kongl. Böhmsche Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften (Prague)	1	2	..	..	..
Kongl. Svenska Vetenskaps-Akademiens (Stockholm)	7	..	..	..	..
Koninklijke Akademie van Wissenschaften (Amsterdam)	8	..	..	..	..
Koninklijke Instituut van Ingenieurs .. ..	..	2	..	..	..
Lake Wakatip Mail—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	52
Lanier (A.)	1	..	..	..	..
Leipzig University	4	4	..	..	..

SCHEDULE 6—continued.

Donor.	Volumes.	Pamphlets.	Miscellaneous.	Maps.	News-papers.
Linnean Society of New South Wales	1	..	..	..	..
Liverpool Public Libraries, Museums, and Art Gallery	1	1	..	..	..
London Board of Trade	1	..	..	..	..
London County Council	9	1	..	..	..
Los Angeles Public Library (California) .. ..	..	2	..	..	..
Lyttleton Times—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
Mackay Chronicle—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	156
Mackay Mercury—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	156
MacDonald (A. S.) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Mackenzie (Sir E. M.) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Manchester Geological Society	1	..	..	..	..
Manchester Public Free Libraries	1	1	..	..	..
Manitoba—Government of	3	..	..	..	..
Manning (W. R.)	1	..	..	..	..
Maryborough Chronicle—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
Mason (H. L.) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Matthews (A.) .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Mercantile Library of New York .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Mercury (Hobart)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
Minchin (C. W.) .. ..	..	..	1	..	..
Mining News (Croydon)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	52
Monitor (Launceston)—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Morning Herald (Perth)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
Morning Post (Cairns)—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	104
Mount Magnet Miner—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	52
Murchison (A.)	1	..	..	..	..
Murchison Times—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	148
Musée Teyler, Haarlem	1	..	..	..	..
Museo de la Plata .. ..	..	2	..	..	..
Museo Nacional de Costa Rica .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Musical Herald—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Musical Times—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Na Mata—Proprietors of .. ..	..	..	..	..	12
Nation—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
National Association for the Study of Epilepsy	1	..	..	..	..
New South Wales—Government of	44	4	..	..	..
New South Wales Art Students' League .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
New York Public Library	1	..	..	..	..
New Zealand—Government of	14	2	..	..	..
New Zealand Herald—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
New Zealand Institute	1	..	..	..	..
New Zealand Mining, Building, and Engineering Journal— Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	50
New Zealand University	1	..	..	..	..
Newcastle School of Arts .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Newcastle-upon-Tyne Public Libraries .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Norway—Government of	2	1	..	..	..
Ontario—Government of	7	..	..	..	..
Otago Daily Times—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	313
Out and Home—Proprietors of .. ..	..	..	..	..	12
Patterson (F. W. B.) .. ..	..	..	..	2	..
Paul (K.) and Co. .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
Peabody Institute .. ..	..	1	..	..	..
People's Daily—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	21
Perry and Co.	1	..	..	..	..
Peru—Government of .. ..	..	..	..	..	..
Philosophical Society of South Africa	1	..	..	..	..
Polynesian Gazette—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	24
Polynesian Society .. ..	..	..	..	..	..
Positivist Society .. ..	..	..	..	..	..
Princeton University	1	..	..	..	..
Protestant Banner—Proprietors of the .. ..	..	..	..	..	10
Providence Public Library .. ..	..	1	..	..	..

SCHEDULE 6—continued.

Donor.	Volumes.	Pamph-lets.	Miscel-laneous.	Maps.	News-papers.
Public Library, Museum, and Art Gallery of South Australia	..	2	..	..	..
Punch (Melbourne)—Proprietors of	..	..	..	..	52
Putnam's Sons (G. P.)	1	..	..	..	..
Quaritch (B.)	1	..	..	..	..
Queensland—Government of	6	..	..	..	..
Queensland Times—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	156
Queenslander—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	52
Raleigh Sun—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	52
Real Academia de Ciencias (Madrid)	1	..	..	..	..
Register (Adelaide)—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	313
Reitzenbaum (S.)	..	2	..	..	..
Richmond River Express—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	208
Riverina Grazier—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	112
Riverina Recorder—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	52
Royal Colonial Institute	1	..	..	..	..
Royal Dublin Society	2	..	..	..	..
Royal Geographical Society (London)	2	..	..	..	..
Royal Geographical Society of Australasia—(Queensland Branch)	2	..	..	..	..
Royal Scottish Academy of Painting, Sculpture, and Architecture	1	..	..	..	..
Royal Society of Canada	1	..	..	..	..
Royal Society of Edinburgh	1	..	..	..	..
Royal Society of New South Wales	1	..	..	..	..
Royal Society of Tasmania	1	..	..	..	..
Royal United Service Institution	2	..	..	..	..
St. Helen's Free Public Libraries	..	1	..	..	..
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association	..	1	..	..	..
Salem Public Libraries	..	1	..	..	..
Samoanische Zeitung—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	52
Scranton Public Library	1	1	..	..	..
Selwyn (Mrs.)	1	..	..	..	..
Senckenbergische Naturforschende Gesellschaft	..	1	..	..	..
Shaw (A. C.)	..	1	..	..	..
Smithsonian Institution	6	..	..	..	..
Society of Antiquaries (London)	1	..	..	..	..
Society of Biblical Archaeology	1	..	..	..	..
Sotheran (H.)	..	1	..	..	..
South Australia—Government of	9	1	..	2	..
South Australia School of Mines and Industries	1	..	..	..	..
Stanford (E.)	..	1	..	..	..
State Board of Trade (San Francisco)	..	1	..	..	..
State of New York—Government of	13	..	..	..	..
Sveriges Offentliga Bibliotek (Stockholm)	1	..	..	..	..
Sydney Mail—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	52
Sydney Morning Herald—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	313
Sydney University	2	..	..	..	..
Table Talk—Proprietors of	..	..	..	..	19
Tasmania—Government of	6	2	..	..	..
Tasmanian Mail—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	28
Tebbutt (J.)	..	1	..	..	..
Tepper (J. G. O.)	..	1	..	..	..
Texas State Historical Association	..	1	..	..	..
Toronto Public Library	1	..	..	..	..
Town and Country Journal—Proprietors of the	..	..	..	..	52
Tropical Agriculturist—Proprietors of the	1	..	..	..	..
Tyler (J. C.)	2	..	..	..	..
United States—Government of the	318	21	..	..	..
Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society (Sydney)	1	..	..	..	..
University College (London)	1	..	..	..	..
University of Adelaide	4	..	..	..	..
University of Nebraska	2	..	..	..	..
University of Toronto	1	..	..	..	..

SCHEDULE 6—*continued.*

Donor.	Volumes	Pamphlets.	Miscellaneous.	Maps.	News-papers.
Upsala University	16	13	..	..	..
Vancouver Board of Trade	2	..	..	..	..
Vaterländische Naturkunde (Stuttgart) .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..
Verein für vaterländische Naturkunde in Württemberg	1	..	..	..	..
Victoria—Government of	16	7	..	..	1,095
Walch (J.) and Sons	1	..	..	..	..
Weekly Courier (Tasmania)—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
Weekly Times—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
Western Australia—Government of	5	1	..	..	..
Western Australian Record—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	103
Western Mail—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
Western Pacific Herald—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	104
Westminster Public Libraries .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
Wide Bay and Burnet News—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	156
Wild River Times—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	52
Wood (Dr. T. H.) .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..
Yass Courier—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	104
Zechan and Dundas Herald—Proprietors of the .. .. .	..	..	..	..	313
Zurich Stadtbibliothek .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..

INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM.—REPORT OF THE CURATOR.

To the Chairman of the Industrial and Technological Museum Committee.

Industrial and Technological Museum,
8th March, 1904.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the following report for the year 1903:—

Although progress has been impossible under present conditions, certain work for the improvement of the collection has been carried out. Owing to the ready assistance of Mr. C. Bogue Luffmann, Director of the Burnley Horticultural College, who placed the services of Mr. Neilson at my disposal, I was enabled to select and classify all the best varieties of fruits from the large collection of models in hand. These have been labelled with more complete information, and displayed to greater advantage. A few of the best varieties of apples previously unrepresented were modelled and added to the collection. It is intended to provide this collection with instructive general labels, dealing with the culture of fruit trees in Victoria. A number of these models were exhibited at the Royal Horticultural Society's show.

The whole of the botanical collection was cleaned and rearranged. Over 80 cases which have been long in want of attention were repaired, and made dust proof.

The three doors veneered with native woods, were lent to Mr. Mann, Assistant to Professor Kernot, for exhibition before a meeting of the Coachbuilders and Wheelwrights Association.

With a view to remedying the very unsatisfactory condition of the Museum, an application was made to the Exhibition Trustees for accommodation in their building, which they were unfortunately unable to grant. A request was also made to the Government, to reserve the Police Court building and site for the Museum, in the event of a new court being erected elsewhere. The acquisition of this building, which is by no means a satisfactory one for the purpose, would still be a distinct move in the right direction, and would provide better temporary accommodation than that at present existing. I would therefore urge that no opportunity be lost of securing these premises should they become vacant.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

R. HENRY WALCOTT, Curator.

DONATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1903.

DONOR.	DESCRIPTION.
Blair, D.	4 specimens copper ore (Arrino Proprietary Copper Mining Co., Yandanook, N.W. Australia).
Co-operative Masons Society	Pedestal of Bairnsdale freestone.
Gray, J. G.	6 specimens of Murray pine (<i>Callitris verrucosa</i>).
Lang, Jas.	20 specimens of apples for modelling.
Majeroni, Signora	Piece of a tree under which Cortez rested, July, 1520.
New South Wales Department of Mines and Agriculture	The <i>Agricultural Gazette</i> of New South Wales, Vol. XIV., and Index to Vol. XIII.
Robertson, J. T.	Insect galls.
South Australian Government Geologist	Report on the gold discoveries near Winnecke's Depôt, and Mines on the Arltunga goldfields, Macdonell Ranges.
South Australian Public Library, Museum, and Art Gallery	Report of the Board of Governors for the years, 1901-2, 1902-3.
Victoria, Department of Agriculture ...	The <i>Journal of the Department of Agriculture</i> . Vol. II., Parts 1-4, and Index to Vol I. Samples of wheat and flax grown experimentally by Mr. Horace Stevens, Ascot Vale.

To the Chairman, National Gallery Committee.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit to you the following report on the work of the National Gallery for the year 1903:—

Though the additions have been in the nature of small and low priced things they are by no means unworthy of a place in our Gallery.

The number of students attending the painting classes was 20 in each term.

I enclose Mr. McCubbin's report upon the drawing classes, also a list of the awards made by the gentlemen appointed to act as judges at the Students' Annual competition. The exhibition was a very strong one as regards drawings, but, in the painting sections, the weakest in point of numbers shown that I have seen for a long time.

During my absence in Europe, on leave, my place was taken by Mr. McCubbin, whose position was filled by Mr. George Bell, an old student of the gallery. On my return in August, I found everything satisfactory and in good working order.

A valuable book prize was offered by Dr. Atkinson Wood for the best set of notes from his lectures on anatomy, and was well won by Miss Nora Gurdon.

The accompanying schedules give particulars of the permanent additions and loans made to the collections during the year. Amongst the former was a large collection of coins (1,357), medals (894), tokens (575), and badges (303), together with some miscellaneous objects bequeathed by the late Mr. George McArthur, of Maldon.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

L. BERNARD HALL

National Gallery, Melbourne,
17th February, 1904.

To the Director of the National Gallery.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit to you the report of the Drawing School of the National Gallery for the year 1903:—

The attendance in the Antique and Life classes was excellent, and the work executed by the Students in both these departments was well up to the average of previous years.

The attendance for last year was as follows:—For the term ending July, Males 21; Females 50—total 71. For the term ending December, Males 23; Females 55—total 78.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. McCUBBIN.

Students' Gallery,
16th December, 1903.

To the Trustees of the Public Library, National Gallery, and Museums.

GENTLEMEN,

We have the honour to report that we have carefully examined the work of the Students in the schools of Painting and Drawing, exhibited for competition, and have made the awards set out upon the prize list annexed here'o.

We observe with satisfaction a steady improvement in the quality of the drawings submitted for competition, as skill and competency in this respect most obviously constitute the best preparation for the student who contemplates passing on to the school of painting.

We regret that only one competitor should have presented himself in either of the two following classes:—

Painting from the nude.
Painting head from life;

and only two in the class of

Painting from still life.

We are pleased to observe the introduction of the study of hands, from the life, in the drawing school; and would suggest the desirability of instituting a prize, or prizes, for successful students in the art of Water-colour Drawing.

We have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your very obedient servants,

(Signed) JAMES SMITH.
(Signed) WALTER WITHERS.
(Signed) P. M. CAREW SMYTH.

PRIZE LIST.

- Painting from the nude—
No prize awarded.
- Drawing from the nude—
1st. C. Wheeler.
2nd. C. Wheeler.
3rd. A. E. Davies.
- Drawing from antique—
1st. J. Adam.
2nd. Nora Gurdon.
- Drawing from antique (Painting Students)—
No prize awarded.
- Painting head from life—
E. A. Murphy.
(One exhibit only.)
- Drawing head from antique—
1st. C. L. Jenkins.
- Painting (still life)—
1st. E. H. Worsley.
- Drawing head from life—
1st. E. S. Macky.
2nd. E. S. Macky.
3rd. Janet Stewart.
- Drawing hands and feet—
1st. C. L. Jenkins.
2nd. V. Meyer.
- Anatomical figure—
1st. Dora L. Wilson.
- Cast (still life)—
1st. E. H. Worsley.

SCHEDULE I.

PURCHASES MADE DURING THE YEAR 1903.

Name of Artist.	Name of Picture.	Price.
		£ s. d
OIL PAINTING.		
Ward, James, R.A. ...	"Sheep" ...	7 0 0
PEN AND INK DRAWINGS.		
Barnard, Fred. ...	No name ...	1 1 0
May, Phil ...	"The Mother of Civilization" ...	3 3 0
May, Phil ...	"The Parkes Appropriation" ...	3 13 6
May, Phil ...	"The Dane" (Dean O'Hea) ...	2 2 0
May, Phil ...	"Loch and Key" ...	6 0 0
May, Phil ...	"Jumps and Jim-Jams" ...	15 0 0
NUMISMATICS.		
Kruger Sovereign, 1896 ...	...	1 0 0

SCHEDULE II.

DONATIONS MADE DURING THE YEAR 1903.

Description.	Name of Donor.
ETCHINGS.	
"Head of an Old Man," by Sir Chas. Holroyd ...	The Artist.
"Venice," by Sir Chas. Holroyd... ..	" "
MEZZOTINT ENGRAVINGS.	
Portrait of His Majesty King Victor Emmanuel III. of Italy...	James Smith, Esq.
Portrait of Her Majesty Queen Elena of Italy ...	" "
POTTERY.	
Two Coronation Mugs. Edward VII., 1902. Doulton ware ...	Mrs. F. S. Grimwade
NUMISMATICS.	
One Peninsular War Medal; one Good Conduct and Long Service Medal	Bequest of B. Beckett
1357 Coins	Bequest of George McArthur of Malden
575 Tokens	
894 Medals	
303 Badges	
1 Frame of Japanese Money	

SCHEDULE III.

LOANS TO THE GALLERY DURING THE YEAR 1903.

Description.	By whom Lent.
OIL PAINTING.	
"Waiting for the Ferry Boat," by N. Chevalier ...	Mrs. McDougall
FURNITURE.	
Old Dutch Chair, formerly in possession of General Cronje ...	W. H. Gill, Esq.

NATIONAL MUSEUM.—REPORT OF DIRECTOR.

National Museum,
Melbourne, 22nd March, 1904.

To the President of the Trustees.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward herewith the report of the National Museum of Natural History, Geology, and Ethnology for the year 1903:—

As will be seen from the reports of the Curators of Zoology and Geology, a considerable amount of work has been done during the year. This consists largely of the rearrangement, remounting, and relabelling of specimens in the collections on public view. The scientific staff of the Museum, as compared with that of similar institutions, such as the Australian Museum, Sydney, is very small indeed, and it is only by means of the hard work and hearty co-operation of the members of the staff that this part of the work of the Museum can be carried on.

I must again draw attention to the exceedingly unsatisfactory state of the work-rooms, and the equally inadequate space available for the exhibition of specimens and the storage of the reserve collections. The new wing is still incomplete, and work upon it has been at a standstill for more than two years. The reserve collections are stored in the basement, and the crowding of the specimens is so great that it is impossible to supervise them with requisite care. Until the new building is available, not only are hundreds of valuable and interesting exhibits unable to be seen by the public, but still larger numbers of specimens are liable to deteriorate.

A portion of the work of the assistants, owing to lack of proper accommodation, has at present to be carried on in the basement by means of electric light. I much regret to say that, in consequence of this, Mr. T. Kershaw, who for 13 years past occupied the position of assistant in the Museum, has been compelled to resign. His eyesight being affected through working continuously for some years under electric light in the basement, where, owing to the want of proper accommodation, the entomological and other collections under his care have been stored, Mr. Kershaw applied for, and was granted, leave of absence for six months, at the expiry of which time, his eyesight being still greatly impaired, he was compelled to send in his resignation. During his term of office, Mr. Kershaw carried out the duties of his position in a most conscientious manner, showing his interest in the institution by cheerful and willing service under trying conditions. It is a matter of great regret to me to lose, under such circumstances, so reliable and conscientious an officer.

In conclusion, I would strongly draw attention to the fact that, both for the sake of the welfare of the staff and the maintenance in good order and preservation of the very valuable collections, it is of paramount importance that the new wing should be completed as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

W. BALDWIN SPENCER,
Hon. Director.

NATIONAL MUSEUM.—REPORT ON THE ZOOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

To the Director of the National Museum.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit herewith the following report, dealing with the work of the Zoological department of the National Museum for the year 1903:—

The condition of the collections, both on exhibition and in store, continue satisfactory, though the difficulties attending the proper examination and preservation of the reference and duplicate collections, through want of better accommodation, are becoming greater every year.

Owing to the necessity of working with the electric light, the too frequent use of which is found to be injurious to the eyesight, the large skin collections stored in the basement cannot receive the amount of attention desirable.

The spirit collection in store is now greatly crowded, and further space is urgently required.

Four large presses have been added to accommodate store specimens in the basement, and these were immediately filled with specimens from other overcrowded presses.

The bird collection on exhibition is being gradually regrouped and re-labelled, and, as the opportunity occurs, remounted on new stands of a uniform pattern. Small metal tags, bearing the register number, have been adopted in place of the old method of using small paper labels, and will be attached to all stuffed specimens.

In accordance with the order of the Trustees, the Museum has been closed to the general public every Thursday, for the purposes of cleaning, the examination of specimens on exhibition, and the carrying out of any necessary alterations. This has been found to be of great advantage, and has permitted of a more thorough examination than was before possible, and, where necessary, of the disinfection of the larger animals on the groups. The collections are, however, still accessible on this day to students, and to visitors from other States, and others, on application.

The collection of Australian shells, which, as mentioned in my report for last year, was temporarily arranged in the west gallery, has been reclassified, and the majority re-labelled. In remounting these shells, colored tablets have been adopted. This is found to be a great improvement on the white tablets formerly used, and permits of the shells being seen to much greater advantage. Altogether, seventeen table cases of Australasian shells have been placed on view, the want of sufficient space preventing the exhibition of the whole of this collection. It is encouraging to notice the frequent use made of this portion of the conchological collection by students and others.

Among the more important exhibits placed on view during the year is a large case of domestic pigeons, arranged to illustrate variation under domestication. Examples are shown of the principal breeds, which have all been derived by careful artificial selection from the wild Rock Dove (*Columba livia*.) Two large cases, each measuring 11 feet by 6 feet 6 inches, have been constructed, to contain some of the rarer species of the large ungulates, such as the Zebras, Kiang, American Bison, Brindled Gnu, Takin, and others. Another, measuring 6 feet 6 inches by 7 feet 6 inches, has been completed, and now contains the largest of the Bears, including the fine white Polar Bear obtained during last year. The addition of this case has relieved the smaller Bear case, which has been fitted up to accommodate the others, and some of the other smaller carnivora. The old ostrich case, which, owing to its faulty construction, has caused much anxiety for the safety of the birds has been replaced by a new one of the pattern generally adopted for the Museum. A special case, to contain a collection of over 200 specimens of humming birds, nearly all of which have been in the Museum collection for many years, is being fitted up, and will be ready for exhibition at an early date.

In addition to the systematic examination of the specimens on exhibition and in the store collection, the taxidermists have been occupied to a great extent in making cabinet skins of the various animals received from time to time during the year. Of the specimens stuffed, 9 were mammals, 272 birds, and 2 fish. Of these about 24 New Guinea birds were set up for the Hobart Museum, by which the skins were supplied, in exchange for a collection of Tasmanian birds' skins, &c. In addition, a number of both mammals and birds, already on exhibition, have been cleaned and remounted.

The articulators have prepared a large number of disarticulated skeletons for the reference and store collections from specimens received in the flesh. Many of these were large mammals, such as a Camel, Zebra, Donkey, Nilghai, Indian Buffalo, &c. A number of separate bones for comparative purposes have also been prepared. The cleaning and, where necessary, remounting of exhibited specimens was continued. Among the new skeletons mounted for exhibition may be mentioned a disarticulated skull of a young Wombat (*P. mitchelli*), with all the bones separated, and showing a section of the upper and lower jaws; a wing of the adjutant bird (*Leptoptilus dubius*), mounted to illustrate the arrangement of the bones of the wing, together with the mode of attachment of the principal flight feathers; the complete skeleton of a pigeon (*Columba guinea*) with principal wing and tail feathers in position. A very fine skeleton of the yellow-sided Dolphin (*Delphinus novæ-zealandiæ*) has also been completed and placed on view.

During the year a number of stuffed Mammals in the duplicate collection were renovated and sent on loan to the Warrnambool Museum. Others were remounted, and sent to the Launceston Museum, in exchange for Tasmanian specimens.

On Saturday evening, 19th December last, the large Indian Elephant, "Ranee," died at the Zoological Gardens, and both the skin and skeleton were secured for the Museum. The whole of the skinning and the rough fleshing of the bones was carried out under my personal, constant supervision at the Zoological Gardens; and I am pleased to have this opportunity to record the valuable assistance rendered by the Director, Mr. D. Le Souëf, and his staff during that time.

Facilities have been afforded students and others specially interested to have access to the invertebrate collection in the basement, on application.

Information, both technical and otherwise, has continued to be supplied to all inquirers, whether personally or in writing, and specimens submitted for identification have been both numerous and varied.

Of the extremely limited number of acquisitions made by purchase, the more important were a young American Bison, 3 small Mammals, mounted to show the skin on one side and the complete skeleton on the other, a collection of domestic pigeons, for the special case mentioned above, and a small series of six species of Birds of Paradise.

The donations received during the year have been both numerous and valuable. These include a collection of 21 species of birds, 5 nests, and 13 species of eggs, from Dr. Chas. Ryan; a collection of Victorian mammals, birds, reptiles, insects, &c., from Mr. G. F. Hill; a collection of birds, reptiles, fish, and insects, obtained in the vicinity of Lake Eyre, from Prof. J. W. Gregory; 37 species of Victorian marine shells, &c., dredged in Westernport Bay, from Mr. C. J. Gabriel; and many others.

The Museum is again indebted to the Council of the Zoological and Acclimatisation Society of Victoria for the donation of various animals that have died in their gardens. The more important of these include a young Orang Outan (*Simia satyrus*); Black Ape (*Cynopithecus niger*), 3 Nilghais (*Boselaphus tragocamelus*), 2 Yaks (*Bos grunniens*), Zebu (*Bos indicus*), young Anoa (*Bos depressicornis*), Indian Buffalo (*Bos buffelus*), Equine Deer (*Cervus equinus*), Swamp Deer (*Cervus duvanceli*), Burchell's Zebra (*Equus burchelli*); Domestic Ass (*Equus asinus*), young Brown Bear (*Ursus arctos*), Cassowary (*Casuarius australis*), Emu (*Dromaeus novæ-hollandiæ*), Argus Pheasant (*Argusianus argus*).

Among other donors may be specially mentioned Messrs. F. L. Billingham, Bacchus Marsh; Geo. Coghill, Melbourne; W. W. Froggatt, Sydney; J. C. Goudie, Birchip; Dr. G. Horne, Melbourne; G. A. Keartland, Preston; J. A. Anderson, Deal Island, Tasmania; and Thos. Warr, Melbourne.

A larger number of exchanges than usual have been effected during the year.

Detailed information regarding the donations, purchases, and exchanges is given in the accompanying schedules.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

JAS. A. KERSHAW,
Curator of the Zoological Collections.

NATIONAL MUSEUM.—REPORT ON THE GEOLOGICAL,
MINERALOGICAL, AND ETHNOLOGICAL COLLECTIONS.

To the Director of the National Museum.

National Museum.
9th March, 1904.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the following report for the year 1903:—

I.—MINERALOGICAL AND GEOLOGICAL COLLECTIONS.

Several small collections of minerals were purchased during the year, and, although not including any new material, they contained some valuable and useful specimens. The handsome specimen of cerussite, which had been lent to the Museum for some nine years, was returned to the owner, Mr. Creer, at his request. The two casts of glaciated floor from Werribee Gorge, which, together with some striated stone, were presented by Mr. Geo. Sweet, F.G.S., will form a desirable addition to the collection representing structural and phenomenal geology. The casts of half skulls and limbs illustrating the evolution of the horse, purchased from Mr. R. F. Damon, of Weymouth, England, will be placed on view as soon as possible. They should prove an instructive and interesting exhibit. The casts of the right hand and foot of *Diprotodon australis*, presented by the South Australian Museum, are a welcome addition; and it is to be hoped that material for a complete restoration will be obtained. From the report of the Palæontologist, which is herewith submitted, it will be seen that the arrangement of the Australasian fossil collection is approaching completion. This has entailed a considerable amount of work, as every specimen has to be identified, and entered in the new Geological Register, besides being mounted and labelled. It is satisfactory to know that the efficient arrangement of this collection has been the means of stimulating interest, and of increasing the number of donations. About the usual number of mineral determinations were made, but nothing of special interest came under notice.

2.—ETHNOLOGICAL COLLECTION.

This collection continues to grow rapidly, and is constantly taxing the accommodation at our disposal. Two valuable collections were received; one presented by yourself of 83 objects from North West America, being practically the only representatives from that part of the world in the Museum, but, unfortunately, want of space absolutely prevents its public exhibition. The other collection was made for the Trustees by Mr. E. C. Cowle, of Illamurta, Central Australia, and includes a fine

series of churingas, which are of especial value owing to the fact that he has been able to discover the native traditions associated with them. The prehistoric section has been augmented by a small collection of eoliths, from Kent, from the Rev. R. A. Bullen; and by some palaeolithic implements from the laterite deposits of Poondi, India, presented by Mr. Seton-Karr.

Face moulds of the last three Tasmanian aboriginals, and a mould of a waddy were lent by the Tasmanian Museum for the purpose of taking casts from them. Three sets of casts and a mould of each were prepared by Mr. August Saupe, and a set of the casts was forwarded to the Tasmanian Museum as a return for the loan of the moulds. A new spear case was constructed to allow of the extension of Australian spears, which were then rearranged in the two cases devoted to them. A number of new spears were added to the collection. The scene depicting the life of the Victorian aboriginal was at last completed and opened to the public. It contains portion of a tree, showing where the bark has been cut off to make a canoe. This tree was obtained from the Richmond Park through the kind assistance of Mr. J. Guilfoyle.

The card catalogue of the collections, both public and reserve, is now complete, and has been classified and arranged in a special cabinet for ready reference and for its preservation.

Re-labelling and numbering the Island collections is still proceeding as opportunity permits; but progress is, of necessity, slow, owing to the great difficulty experienced in allocating many of the objects to their proper localities, and also in obtaining information with regard to their use. Without reliable explanatory labels, a collection becomes devoid of interest to the general public.

GENERAL.

According to instructions, I visited Maldon on the 12th November, in order to inspect and value the collections bequeathed by the late Mr. Geo. McArthur to the Museum. On the 23rd I again went to Maldon, and spent part of that and the two following days in packing and forwarding the collection to Melbourne. On their arrival here a considerable time was given to the classification of the coins, tokens, and medals, which formed the valuable portion of the bequest. These have been handed over to the Verdon Gallery, as well as a number of arms and other objects belonging to that section. The ethnographic portions of the bequest contained but few objects new to the collections.

On the 1st September a number of cases were lent to various exhibitors at the *conversazione* held by the Royal Society of Victoria in the Athenæum Hall.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

R. HENRY WALCOTT,
Curator Mineralogical and Geological Collections.

NATIONAL MUSEUM.—REPORT OF THE PALÆONTOLOGIST.

To the Curator of the Geological and Mineralogical Collections.

National Museum,
7th March, 1904.

SIR,

During the past year the principal donations to the Fossil Collections comprised the following:—A valuable series of mesozoic shells from Geraldton, Western Australia, by Mr. Chas. J. Gabriel; and a large collection of silurian and devonian corals and shells from Yass and other localities in New South Wales, by Mr. A. J. Shearsby. Besides these, smaller collections and single specimens, often of much interest, have also been presented; and many of these, being new to our series of Australian fossils, are now exhibited in the Gallery.

A number of fossil determinations have been made for those specially interested in palæontology, who submitted specimens for that purpose.

I have worked out and prepared a third coloured horizontal geological section through Victoria—from Swan Hill to Cape Colony. This, with the two geological sections which I had previously made—from the western boundary of this State to Lake Victoria; and the Melbourne section, from Brunswick to St. Kilda—on the enlarged and true vertical scales, are now on public exhibition, and furnish information which was not otherwise readily obtainable.

Some of the casts of large extinct animals are now accompanied by explanatory descriptions and drawings, which I have made to render these objects of more general interest.

A selected list of typical Victorian fossils has been issued by the Education Department for elementary geological students of Technical Schools, and to illustrate this a collection of fossils is now exhibited, which should prove of practical use to students at work on the subject.

Since my last report, and to the end of the year, I have determined 1,462 fossil specimens, the majority of which are now shown in the table cases, forming the series of Australasian fossils. This series will eventually comprise 45 cases. It is now nearly completed as far as the cretaceous group, and the tertiary series is also well in hand.

I have proceeded with the description of new fossils and the further elucidation of those already known, and have published during the year the following paper dealing with specimens in the National Museum collections, viz.—“New or Little-known Victorian Fossils in the National Museum, Melbourne, Part II., Some Silurian Molluscoidea;” *Proc. Roy. Soc., Vic. N.S.*, pt. I., pp. 60-82, pls. X-XII. In addition I have examined, in detail, and described the valuable and interesting collections of fossils from W. Australia and Queensland, collected by the Hon. Sir (then Mr.) A. C. Gregory, K.C.M.G., and the late Mr. Richard Daintree, which was presented to the Museum by the latter gentleman in 1866. The paper dealing with these specimens, together with a paper on Some Silurian Pteropoda, is now in the press.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

FREDK. CHAPMAN,
Palæontologist.

SCHEDULE A.

DONATIONS TO THE NATIONAL MUSEUM FOR THE YEAR 1903.

I.—*Publications.*

Donor.	Publications.
Academie Imperiale des Sciences de St. Petersburg ; St. Petersburg	"Annuaire du Musée Zoologique de l'Academie Imperiale de St. Petersburg, vol. 7 (3, 4), 8 (1).
Academie des Inscriptions et Belles-Lettres, Paris	"Comptes Rendus des Seances de l'Annee 1903, Bulletin de Septembre-Octobre."
Academie des Sciences et Lettres de Montpellier, Montpellier	"Memoires de la Section des Sciences," 2 series, vol. 3, No. 2.
Academy of Science of St. Louis, St. Louis, U.S.A.	"Transactions," vol. 11 (6-11), 12 (1-8).
Australasian Ornithologists' Union, Melbourne	"Emu," vol. 2 (3, 4), 3 (1, 2).
Australian Museum, Sydney ..	"Records," vol. 4 (8), 5 (1).
Bellotti, Cristoforo, Milan ..	"Diun Novo Pteraclide Giapponese."
Cambridge Philosophical Society, Cambridge, England	"Proceedings," vol. 11 (7), 12 (1, 2).
Carnegie Institute, Pittsburg, U.S.A. ..	Seventh Celebration of Founder's Day at the Carnegie Institute, Pittsburg, Pa., U.S.A., Thursday, 6th November, 1902. "Publications of the Carnegie Museum," serial 13-19.
Cincinnati Museum Association, Cincinnati, U.S.A.	Twenty-second Annual Report.
Colombo Museum, Ceylon ..	"Spolia Zeylanica," vol. 1 (1-3).
Colorado College, Colorado, U.S.A. ..	"Colorado College Studies," vol. 10.
Connecticut Academy of Arts and Sciences, New Haven, U.S.A.	"Transactions," vol. 11 (2).
Crowther, Jos., Adelaide ..	Geological Map to accompany "Report of S.A. School of Mines and Industries for 1899."
Edinburgh Geological Society, Edinburgh	"Transactions," vol. 8, pt. 2, special pt.
Field Naturalists' Club of Victoria, Melbourne	"Victorian Naturalist," vol. 19 (9-12).
Froggatt, W. W., F.L.S., Sydney, N.S.W.	"Limitations of Parasites in the Destruction of Scale Insects" (Froggatt). "Woolly Aphis or American Blight" (Froggatt). "Some Garden Pests" (Froggatt).
Geelong Field Naturalists' Club and Gordon College Photographic Club, Gordon Technical College, Geelong	"Wombat," vol. 5, No. 4.
Geological Institution of the University of Upsala, Upsala, Sweden	"Bulletin," vol. 3 (1), 4 (2), 5 (2).
Hamilton Scientific Association, Hamilton, Canada	"Journal and Proceedings," No. 18.
Hise, Chas. R. Van, U.S.A. ..	"Training and Work of a Geologist" (Hise).
India, Geological Survey ..	"Palaeontologia Indica," series 9, vol. 3, pt. 1, 2; new series, vol. 1, pt. 3.
India, Government Museum and Connemara Public Library, Madras	"Bulletin," vol. 4, No. 3, "Anthropology;" "Bulletin," No. 1, 4. "Catalogue of the Batrachia, Saliencia, and Apoda" (Thurston). Coins, "Catalogue," No. 2 (Thurston). "Catalogue of the Prehistoric Antiquities" (Foote). "Report on the Administration of the Government Museum and Connemara Public Library for year 1902-3."
India, Indian Museum, Calcutta ..	"Indian Museum Notes," vol. 5 (3, 4). "Annual Report, 1901-2."
Instituto Geologico de Mexico, Mexico	"Boletin," No. 16.
Linnean Society of N.S.W., Sydney ..	"Proceedings," 1892, pt. 4, 1893, pt. 1-3.
Monaco, S.A.S. Prince Albert 1 of Monaco	"Resultats des Campagnes Scientifiques accomplies sur son Yacht par Albert 1er. Prince Souverain de Monaco," fasc. 22, 23, 25. "Carte Bathymetrique des Iles Açores."
Musée de la Plata, La Plata, S. America	"Revista," vol. 10 (pp. 269-), 11 (pp. 37-71).
Musée Royal d'Histoire Naturelle de Belgique, Bruxelles	"Coprolithes de Bernissart" (Bertrand).
Museo Nacional de Mexico, Mexico ..	"Anales," 2 época, vol. 1 (1, 2). "Boletin," 2 época, vol. 1 (1-3).

SCHEDULE A.—DONATIONS TO THE NATIONAL MUSEUM FOR THE YEAR 1903—*continued.*1. *Publications*—*continued.*

Donor.	Publications.
Museo Nacional, San Salvador, C. America	"Anales," vol. 1 (2, 4).
Museo Nacional de Montevideo, Montevideo	"Anales," vol. 4 (pp. 29- ; pl. 7).
New South Wales Department of Mines, Sydney	"Annual Report" for year 1902.
New South Wales Naturalists' Club, Sydney	"Memoirs," No. 1.
Nova Scotian Institute of Science, Halifax	"Proceedings and Transactions," vol. 10 (3, 4).
Philippine Archipelago, Exposition Board. Louisiana Purchase Exposition, Manilla	Publications in Tagalog, Pangasinan, Visaya, and Ilocano Dialects of the Malay Language.
Philippine Museum, Manilla ..	"Bulletins," No. 1, 2.
Queensland Department of Agriculture, Brisbane	"Queensland Agricultural Journal," vol. 12 (1).
Queensland Department of Home Secretary, Brisbane	"North Queensland Ethnography Bulletin," 3, 5, 6.
Reale Academi de Scienze, Lettere e Belle Arti de Palermo, Palermo	"Atti," series 3, vol. 6.
Rhodesia Museum, Bulawayo, S. Africa	"Special Report," the Zimbabwe Ruins (Mennell); "First Annual Report," 1902.
Royal Anthropological Society of Australasia, Sydney	"Science of Man," vol. 5 (12), 6 (1, 2, 4-7, 9, 10).
Royal Society of Queensland, Brisbane	"Proceedings," vol. 17, pt. 2.
Royal Society of South Australia, Adelaide	"Transactions," vol. 26 (2), 27 (1). "Memoirs," vol. 2 (1).
Royal Society of Victoria, Melbourne ..	"Proceedings," new series, vol. 15 (2), 16 (1).
R. Università di Genova, Genova ..	"Bollettino di Musci di Zoologia e Anatomia Comparata della R. Università di Genova, No. 117-125.
Saussure, Henri de, Geneva	"Analecta Entomologica," 2. "Notice sur la tribu des Eumastaciens (Saussure).
Seeber, Francisco, Buenos Aires ..	"Memoria de la Comision del Monumento a Burmeister."
Société des Sciences des Arts et des Lettres du Hainaut, Mons, Belgium	"Memoires et Publications," series 6, vol. 4.
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, U.S.A.	"Annual Report," 1900, U.S. National Museum. "Proceedings of the U.S. National Museum," vol. 23, 24, 25. "Bulletin of the U.S. National Museum, No. 39 (H-O), 50-52. "Children's Home in the Smithsonian Institution, Paine."
South Australia Department of Mines, Adelaide	"Geological Maps of South Australia." Report on the Gold Discoveries near Winnecke's Depot and Mines on the Arltunga Gold-fields" (Brown).
Tokyo Zoological Society, Tokyo, Japan	"Annotationes Zoologicae Japonensis," vol. 4 (4, 5).
Valentine Museum, Richmond, U.S.A.	"Report of the Exploration of the Hayes Creek Mound, Rockbridge County, Va."
Victoria, Department of Agriculture, Melbourne	"Journal of the Department of Agriculture of Victoria," vol. 2 (3).
Victoria, Department of Mines, Melbourne	"Geological Survey of Victoria," Quarter Sheets, No. 2, N.E., S.E.; No. 5, N.W.; No. 8, N.E.; No. 12, N.E.; No. 13, N.E.; No. 14, N.W., S.W.; No. 26, S.E.; No. 52, N.E.; No. 57, N.E.; No. 64, N.E.; No. 19, S.W.
Wellcome Physiological Research Laboratories, London	"Bulletins of the Geol. Surv. Vic.," No. 5, 7, 9-11. "Memoirs," No. 1.
Western Australia, Department of Mines, Perth	"Pamphlet re Wellcome Physiological Research Laboratories."
Western Australia, Government Statistician and Registrar-General, Perth	"Geological Mining Maps." "Bulletin," No. 7-10. "Annual Progress Report of the Geological Survey," for the year 1902. "Boulder Belt Maps and sections."
	"Notes on the National History, &c., of Western Australia."

SCHEDULE A.—DONATIONS TO THE NATIONAL MUSEUM FOR THE YEAR 1903—*continued*.
2.—*Specimens (Zoology)*.

Donor.	Specimens.
A'Beckett, T. A., Melbourne	1 <i>Echidna aculeata</i> , var. <i>setosa</i> , fem. (Tasmania).
Aitken, Jno., Anderson's Inlet	1 <i>Holoxenus cutaneus</i> (Anderson's Inlet).
Anderson, T., N. Carlton	16 <i>Pentarogeton marmorata</i> ; 2 Blennies; 1 <i>Tetrodon hamiltoni</i> ; 1 Pipe Fish (Mordialloc).
Bennett, Wm., Burwood	Cast Skin of <i>Denisonia superba</i> (Burwood).
Billinghurst, F. L., Bacchus Marsh	Collection Coleoptera, about 40 species (Alexandra).
Britton, W., Mordialloc	1 <i>Apogon güntheri</i> (Mordialloc).
Buckley, D. R., National Museum	1 <i>Taenia solium</i> ; 4 <i>Ascaris lumbricoides</i> ; 1 Parasite; ? 1 <i>Cysticecus tenuicollis</i> .
Campbell, A. J., Burnley	1 <i>Acanthornis magna</i> , male, with nest <i>in situ</i> (Mt. Wellington, Tasmania).
Canterbury Museum, Christchurch, N.Z.	Sps. <i>Cinctipora elegans</i> (Foveaux Straits, N.Z.).
Chidzey, E. C., Queenscliff	1 <i>Holoxenus entaneus</i> , (Queenscliff).
Clark, D., Inverloch	1 Egg-case of <i>Callorhynchus antarcticus</i> .
Coghill, Geo., Melbourne	Collection Coleoptera, 47 species (Gembrook and Emerald); collection Coleoptera, 72 species (Launching Place); collection Coleoptera, 89 species; Orthoptera, 1 species (Buffalo Mountains).
Colban, Wm., E. Brunswick	1 <i>Moloch horridus</i> (Mt. Morgan, W.A.).
Cooper, Jas., Melbourne	1 Cockatoo (? hybrid Leadbeater's and Rose-fronted Cockatoo).
Darnedt, G., Collingwood	1 <i>Phyllodaetylus marmoratus</i> , with 3 tails (Collingwood).
Davey, H. W., Ballarat	1 <i>Diploactylus tessellatus</i> (Cape Clear).
Devaney, T., Bunyip	5 <i>Prototroctes maræna</i> (Bunyip).
Dombain, —	1 <i>Dendrocygna javanica</i> .
Droop, Chas., Mordialloc	1 Holothurian (Mordialloc).
Ferne, Wm., Melbourne	1 <i>Cristiceps amarus</i> (Hobson's Bay).
French, Chas., F.L.S., Melbourne	Several <i>Pulvinaria testa</i> (Leongatha).
French, Chas., jun., Melbourne	2 <i>Tiliqua scincoides</i> (Altona Bay); 1 <i>Tiliqua nigrolutea</i> ; 1 <i>Macropus ? ualabatus</i> , fœtus (Dandenong Ranges); Stomach of Snake containing parasitical worms (Kardella, Gippsland); 3 <i>Hyla ? dolichopsis</i> (Cairns, Queensland); 6 eggs <i>Crocodylus porosus</i> (Daly R., Pt. Darwin).
Gabriel, Chas. J., Abbotsford	Collection Marine Shells, 37 species; 4 Polychæte Worms (Western Port, &c.); 1 <i>Lima excavata</i> (Norway); <i>Retepora porcellana</i> , <i>Gorgonia</i> sp. ? <i>Cellepora spicata</i> , <i>Adeonellopsis latipuncta</i> , <i>Cellepora intermedia</i> (dredged in Westernport Bay).
Gatliff, J. H., Carlton	7 <i>Mangelia alucinans</i> , (Sandringham); 8 <i>Rissoa perdigua</i> (Westernport).
Gay, T., and Aitken, C., Caulfield	4 <i>Prototroctes maræna</i> (Bunyip).
Goudie, J. C., Bunyip	Collection Victorian Coleoptera (41 species).
Gregory, Prof. J. W., D.Sc., University, Melbourne	Collection Birds' Skins, Fish, Reptiles, Insects, &c., collected on Lake Eyre Expedition, December, 1901.
Haase, J. F., Melbourne	6 <i>Hypochrysops delicia</i> (Victoria); several <i>Branchinella</i> <i>australasiensis</i> (near Melbourne).
Harvey, Jno., Melb. Public Library	1 <i>Celæna excavata</i> , with egg-nests; larvæ of <i>Antheræa</i> <i>eucalypti</i>
Hill, Gerald F., Windsor	Collection Mammals; birds; reptiles; insects, &c. (Stawell District).
Horne, Dr. Geo., Clifton Hill	1 <i>Meliornis australasiana</i> ; 1 Finch sp. ?; 1 <i>Amadina fasciata</i> ; 1 <i>Zonæginthus bellus</i> ; 1 <i>Ptilotis ornata</i> ; 1 <i>P. leucotis</i> ; 1 <i>Polyplectron germanii</i> .
Howson, S., South Yarra	1 <i>Phacops</i> sp. ?; (Cobbler's Gully, near Queenstown).
Jarvis, E., National Museum	Collection Coleoptera (23 species) (Ringwood).
Joske, Adolph, Mordialloc	1 <i>Stigmatophora nigra</i> (Mordialloc).
Kearland, G. A., Preston	1 <i>Glossopsittacus pusillus</i> ; 1 <i>G. porphyrocephalus</i> ; 1 <i>G.</i> <i>concinus</i> ; 1 <i>Meliphaga phrygia</i> ; 1 <i>Melithreptus lunulatus</i> ; 1 <i>Ptilotis fusca</i> (from near Eltham).
Kearland, W., Preston	1 young <i>Cinclorhamphus cruralis</i> (Preston).
Kenny, Emily S., St. Kilda	1 <i>Charocampa serofa</i> (St. Kilda).
Kershaw, Jas. A., National Museum	Collections Victorian Lepidoptera, Coleoptera, &c. (about 150 species).

SCHEDULE A.—DONATIONS TO THE NATIONAL MUSEUM FOR THE YEAR 1903—*continued.*1. *Specimens (Zoology)*—*continued.*

Name.	Specimens.
Kitson, A. E., F.G.S., Department of Mines, Melbourne	Collection Coleoptera (30 species), S. Gippsland.
Kurtze, L. R., Kochkirch	1 <i>Pseudodelma impar</i> (Kochkirch).
Lea, A. M., Hobart	Small collection Tasmanian and Australian insects.
Le Souëf, Dudley, Royal Park	1 <i>Strix novæ-hollandiæ</i> , young (Port Darwin); 1 <i>Fulica australis</i> chick (Moirá Swamp, near Deniliquin).
Long, J., Goulburn Valley	1 <i>Lepus cuniculus</i> (skin and skull, with abnormally developed upper and lower incisors).
Madden, Frank, M.P., Melbourne	1 <i>Microperca yarræ</i> (Curdie's River).
Maplestone, C. M., Eltham	1 <i>Cellepora coronopus</i> (Naples).
Mason, G., Mordialloc	Several small Cephalopods (Mordialloc).
Murdoch, J., Abbotsford	1 Scorpion; 1 Moth of <i>Scridosema excursaria</i> ; 2 Centipedes; 1 <i>Pyrameis kershawi</i> .
Parker, J. W., Melbourne	1 moth of <i>Trictena labyrinthica</i> .
Pierce, A., jun., Mordialloc	1 <i>Pteropus poliocephalus</i> (Mordialloc).
Quiney, H., Mortlake	<i>Anguilla australis</i> , yellow var. (Mortlake).
Raymond, Adelaide, Gt. Western	2 <i>Petaurus breviceps</i> .
Roberts, —, Tooborac	2 <i>Typhlops nigrescens</i> .
Robertson, Jno., Flemington	Abnormal Bullock's Foot.
Ryan, Dr. Chas., Melbourne	Collection Mammals, Birds, Nests, and Eggs (Ural Mts., Russia).
Salter, A., Balaclava	Collection Coleoptera (13 species); Hymenoptera (1 species); Hemiptera (2 species); Diptera (1 species) (Woodend).
Schroeder, Hy., Maffra	Grey and white vars. of <i>Mus musculus</i> (2 specimens).
Scott, Jno., Melbourne	1 <i>Chatæssus richardsoni</i> (Murray R., near Numurkah).
Scriven, C. W. A., Jindivick	1 <i>Phascogale swainsoni</i> ; 1 <i>Callocephalon galeatum</i> (Jindivick).
Searle, A. and M., Carlton	1 Snake (California).
Shacklock, Chas., Kew	1 <i>Moloch horridus</i> .
South Australian Museum, Adelaide	1 <i>Peragale lagotis</i> (Cent. Australia).
Stephenson, J. A., Deal I., Tasmania	Bones of Seal, Emu, Marsupials, &c. (Deal I., Tasmania).
Stephens, G. F. A., Pt. Lonsdale	1 <i>Holoxenus cutaneus</i> .
Surridge, W., Melbourne	1 Chrysalis of <i>Pyrameis itea</i> .
Tew, E. J., Nerrim S.	1 <i>Diamna bicolor</i> (Nerrim S.).
Tindale, Thos., Apollo Bay	1 <i>Phasma</i> (Apollo Bay).
Tripp, E. H., Timaru, N.Z.	1 <i>Deinacrida</i> (New Zealand).
Victoria Museum, Launceston	1 <i>Thylacinus cynocephalus</i> ; 1 <i>Phascolomys wisinus</i> (Tasmania).
Walker, J. J., H.M.S. <i>Ringarooma</i>	4 <i>Anaspides tasmanica</i> (Mount Wellington, Tasmania); several <i>Anopheles</i> sp.? (Port Melbourne).
Warr, Thos., Melbourne	Collection of Reptiles, &c., 80 miles inland from Carnarvon, (Western Australia).
<i>Weekly Times</i> , Melbourne	1 <i>Acrobates pygmæus</i> (Eskdale).
White, W. G., Cairns, Queensland	1 <i>Centropogon robustus</i> ; 1 Mantis; 1 Frog; 3 Crabs; 1 <i>Helix macgillivrayi</i> .
Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria, Royal Park	Mammals, 72 specimens; Birds, 65 specimens; Reptiles, 6 specimens.

SCHEDULE A.—DONATIONS TO THE NATIONAL MUSEUM FOR THE YEAR 1903—*continued*.
2.—*Specimens (Geology and Mineralogy)*.

Donor.	Specimens.
Alexander, Dr. E., Otago, N.Z. ..	Phosphate of Lime, Fragments of Bone, Waihola, Marl; Phosphatic Nodules, Burnside, Barite, Seacliff.
Baillie, F. W., National Museum ..	1 <i>Lovenia forbesi</i> , <i>Voluta</i> (cast); Tertiary, Beaumaris.
Binstead, A., Stony Creek ..	Limonite, near Stony Creek.
Campbell, A. J., Burnley ..	Portions of Skulls of <i>Phascolumys ursinus</i> , Bones of <i>Dromæus novæ-hollandiæ</i> , King Island, Tasmania; Nickel Ore, New Caledonia; Phosphate of Lime, South Australia.
Chapman, W. D., Camberwell ..	<i>Clathrodictyon</i> , new sp.; Silurian, Lilydale.
Cole, Percival C., Melbourne ..	7 Crystals; fragments of Gypsum; coll. Tertiary Bivalves and Brachiopods (fragmentary), from Balcombian Beds near mouth of Gellibrand River, Vic.; Cherty Rock, with Fern Stems, Tertiary, Vic.
Cornthwaite, W., Thorpdale ..	1 <i>Cypræa dorsata</i> , Balcombian, near Princeton, Vic.
Cresswell, A. W., M.A., Camberwell ..	Coll. Silurian Fossils from near Walhalla; Fragments of fossil Crustacean, allied to ? <i>Lichas</i> or <i>Dithyrocaris</i> , Seville, Vic.
Doubleday, W. H., Coimadai ..	Bones of <i>Diprotodon</i> , Coimadai.
Evans, E. J., Maldon ..	Free Gold with Pyrrhotite in quartz, South British Mine, Maldon.
French, Chas., jun., Melbourne ..	Tooth of <i>Oxyrhina plicatilis</i> , Kalimnan series, Beaumaris. Fine Sand, Altona Bay.
Gabriel, Chas. J., Abbotsford ..	Coll. Fossils from Mesozoic, Geraldton, Western Australia; <i>Clypeaster gippslandicus</i> ; <i>Hinnites corioensis</i> ; <i>Crassatellites oblonga</i> ; <i>Tylospira coronata</i> ; Tertiary, Bairnsdale, Vic.
Gay, Robt., Wycheproof ..	5 sps. Fossiliferous Flint encrusted with Melinite; Flint Nodule; Hornstone Breccia, Cape Liptrap.
Hall, T. S., M.A., University, Melbourne	1 <i>Spirulirostra curta</i> , Spring Creek; 3 <i>Pecten antiaustralis</i> , Kalimnan Tertiary, Hamilton; 2 <i>Trigonia Howitti</i> ; 4 <i>Venus</i> (<i>Chione</i>) <i>subroborata</i> ; 4 <i>Cancellaria wannonensis</i> , Kalimnan Tertiary, Hamilton.
Henderson, Robt., Cape Moreton, Q. ..	Coloured Sands, Fraser Island, Queensland.
Hill, F. O., Melbourne ..	Silurian Mudstone, with <i>Strophonella</i> , <i>Favosites</i> and columnals of a Crinoid; Monte Cristo Mine, Zeehan, Tasmania; <i>Stannite</i> , Oonah Mine, Zeehan, Tasmania.
Jutson, J. T., Northcote ..	1 <i>Conularia sowerbii</i> ; Silurian (Yeringian), near Lilydale.
Longbottom, C. L., Surrey Hills ..	Tin Ore, Heemskirk, Tasmania.
Marrow, Jas., North Fitzroy ..	15 Minerals and Rocks, Cassilis, Victoria.
Mitchell, Jas., South Yarra ..	<i>Enargite</i> , Gormanston, Tasmania.
Nicholson, E. F., St. Kilda ..	2 sps. Barite, old McIvor Lead, Heathcote.
Pritchard, G. B., Moonee Ponds ..	1 <i>Ceratiocaris</i> , new sp., Silurian, Wandong, Friable Lilydale Limestone (for Microzoa).
Rundle, C. A., Wangaratta ..	1 premolar <i>Phascolumys gigas</i> , Harden, New South Wales.
Shearsby, A. J., Yass, New South Wales	Collection Silurian and Devonian Corals and Shells, New South Wales.
Smart, C. P., University, Melbourne ..	<i>Diodon</i> (Upper Jaw, showing palatal tooth and alveolar ridges), Tertiary, Beaumaris.
South Australian Museum, Adelaide ..	Casts of bones of <i>Diprotodon australis</i> .
Spry, Frank, South Melbourne ..	Colls. Fossils from the Silurian and Tertiary, Victoria.
Sweet, Geo., F.G.S., Brunswick ..	2 Casts of Striated Floor, Werribee Gorge; 3 Striated Stones, Bacchus Marsh; 1 large Striated Stone, Lerderderg River; Till, Bacchus Marsh.
Thiele, E. D., Williamstown ..	Coll. Silurian Fossils, Griffith's Kiln, 7 miles south of Mansfield; <i>Ossiicles</i> of Crinoids, Proprietary Mine, Anderson's Creek.

SCHEDULE A.—DONATIONS TO THE NATIONAL MUSEUM FOR THE YEAR 1903—*continued.*2.—*Specimens (Ethnology).*

Donor.	Specimens.
Baker, H., Alexandra-road	3 Tree Sections, showing holes cut by aboriginals with stone and iron axes
Baird, K., Windsor	Dress and Girdle of the Red Kaffirs (Cape Colony).
Bullen, Rev. R. A., Surrey, England ..	14 Eolithic Implements (Kentish Plateau, England).
Clarke, Sir Geo. Sydenham, K.C.M.G. . .	1 Pillow; 2 Spears (Soudan, Africa).
Cole, Percival C., Melbourne	Chipped core of coral-bearing chert, chippings, &c.
French, Chas., jun., Melbourne	Bones and Shells (Sorrento); Chipped Flakes (Tasmania); Stone Flakes (Saltwater River); Cores, &c. (Altona Bay), 2 pieces Red Ochre.
Fulton, Sydney M., Melbourne	Kaffir Pubic "Ornament."
Gay, Robt., Wycheproof	3 stone axes; 1 grinding-stone; 1 Loomerang; 2 waddies; 1 spear-thrower; 1 shield.
Keartland, A., Preston	Spear-head of pearl-shell (Rocbuck Bay, Western Australia).
Kenyon, A. S., and Stirling, D. L., Melbourne	27 bone implements; small adze or chisel; shield in the rough, and portion of tree from which it was cut; 1 Emu feather ornament.
Kershaw, Jas. A., National Museum ..	1 double vessel of cocoons (N. Territory).
Lindt, J. W., Black Spur	1 shield (Trobriand I.).
Mackay, A. C., J.P., Melbourne	Coll. implements and stone flakes (Apollo Bay).
Officer, Graham, Louth	6 widows' mourning caps "Kopi"; 30 grave-stones (N.S.W.).
Selby, W. G., Melbourne	Mylitta australis (Menziess Creek).
Seton-Karr, H. W., Wimbledon, England	12 pre-historic implements (Poondi, India).
Spencer, Prof. W. Baldwin, F.R.S., National Museum	Coll. ethnological objects from N.-W. coast N. America :— 2 rattles; stone amulet or "Scratcher"; bone "Scratcher"; 3 amulets; cedar-bark pattern for drawing and painting; 7 dishes; brush; dagger; 3 knives; 9 spoons; 2 stone pestles; 4 Hallibut hooks; 2 carvings; 2 fire-sticks; adze; whistle; horn; fish-line; spear-head; bull-roarer; 7 masks; carved head; 2 head rings; shredded cedar-bark; 3 boxes; 5 baskets; bladder byoy; pouch; bark-beater; bark-scraper; needles; cedar-bark mat; bottle in wicker-work; pouch for fish-hooks; cedar-bark blanket; basketry table mat; twisted cedar root; 9 brass bracelets; cedar-bark cape; native seeds and plants; and 1 ceremonial object (Urabuna Tribe, Peake, Central Australia).
Spry, Frank, South Melbourne	Red Ochre (Altona Bay).
Tasmanian Museum, Hobart	1 spear; 12 stone implements (Tasmania).

SCHEDULE B.

SPECIMENS PURCHASED FOR THE NATIONAL MUSEUM DURING THE YEAR 1903.

1.—Zoology.

Name.	Specimens.
Bowden, Geo., Melbourne	6 Phascolumys.
Coles, Alfred, Melbourne	1 Albino Tasmanian Wallaby.
Deyrolle, Fils d'Emile, Paris ..	Birds of Paradise:—2 <i>Diphyllodes hunsteini</i> ; 1 <i>Astrapia splendidissima</i> ; 1 <i>Parotia carolæ</i> ; 1 <i>Xanthomelas aureus</i> .
Gerrard and Son, London	Coll. 34 Pigeons, similar to those exhibited in the Natural History Museum, Kensington, London.
Goddard, S. E., Louth, N.S.W. ..	1 <i>Macropus giganteus</i> .
Lewis, F. W., Melbourne	1 <i>Remora antarcticus</i> .
Mason, George, Mordialloc	1 smooth-hound shark.
Schlüter, Wm., Halle a Saale, Germany	1 <i>Talpa europæa</i> ; 1 <i>Felis catus domesticus</i> ; 1 <i>Sciurus vulgaris</i> . Stuffed specimens:—1 <i>Schlegelia respublica</i> ; 1 <i>Lophorhina atra</i> ; 1 <i>Didelphis aurita</i> ; 1 <i>Chironectes palmatus</i> ; 1 <i>Bos americanus</i> (young).

2.—Geology and Mineralogy.

Name.	Specimens.
Damon, R. F., Weymouth, England ..	Coloured Casts; Skulls of <i>Hyracotherium</i> , <i>Hipparion</i> , <i>Mesohippus</i> ; Fore and hind feet <i>Phenacodus primævus</i> , <i>Hyracotherium ventricolum</i> , <i>Protorohippus ventricosus</i> , <i>Mesohippus bairdi</i> , <i>M. intermedius</i> , <i>Hipparion gracilis</i> ; half-head of <i>Phenacodus primævus</i> .
Godfrey and Burrows, Melbourne ..	Mineral specimens.
Minod, H., Geneva, Switzerland ..	Mineral specimens— <i>Magnetite</i> , <i>Binnite</i> , <i>Skleroklas</i> , <i>Nisemose</i> , <i>Fluorite</i> (rose), <i>Danburite</i> , <i>Boracite</i> , <i>Bavenite</i> , <i>Babingtonite</i> , <i>Allophane</i> , <i>Kordylite</i> and <i>Synchysite</i> , <i>Steenstrupine</i> , <i>Scolesite</i> , <i>Phenacite</i> , <i>Calcite</i> , <i>Olivine</i> .
Tuckfield, Rev. T. S. (per), Footscray ..	Collection Cretaceous Fossils from Lake Eyre Basin.

3.—Ethnology.

Name.	Specimens.
Birt, G. H., Adelaide	Aboriginal objects.
French, Chas., junior, Melbourne ..	Aboriginal objects (Port Darwin).
Gay, Robert, Wycheproof	Aboriginal weapons.
Godden, F. E., Melbourne	Fiji bone Breast-plate, Tortoise-shell Knife, Carved Native Knife, Shell Ornament, 3 Girdles, Armlet, Dancing Belt, Boomerang, Grass Bowl, 2 Fiji Waddies, Bone Knife, Dog's-teeth Bag.
Kozminsky and Co., Melbourne	4 Native Clubs (Fiji).
Pollack, J., Melbourne	3 Spears (Solomon Islands).
Wragge, C. L., Melbourne	8 Aboriginal Clubs.

SCHEDULE C.

NATIONAL MUSEUM.—EXCHANGES DURING THE YEAR 1903.

- Sent to P. C. Cole, Melbourne :—1 Pitchi, 1 Necklet, 1 Battle-axe, 1 Knife, 1 Shield, 1 Dress, 1 Magic Knout, 1 Boomerang, 3 Head-bands; in exchange for :—1 Boomerang Club, 2 Shields, 3 Spears, 1 Churinga.
- Sent to the Savage Club, Melbourne :—1 Club (Fiji); in exchange for :—1 Club (Samoa).
- Received from Dudley Le Souëf, Royal Park :—3 Nullahs; in exchange for 3 Nullahs, lent to A. C. Le Souëf in 1901.
- Received from Walter Howchin, F.G.S., Adelaide :—South Australian Fossils; in exchange for Victorian Fossils.
- Sent to Victoria Museum, Launceston :—5 species Stuffed Mammals; in exchange for specimens received and 1 *Thylacinus cynocephalus*, 1 *Phascalomys ursinus*.
- Sent to W. W. Strickland, Yorkshire, England :—Collection Victorian Land and Fresh-water Shells; in exchange for Collection New Zealand Land Shells.
- Sent to Mortlake Museum, in exchange for specimens to come :—Collection Australian Lepidoptera (83 species).
- Sent to Rev. Alex. May, St. Francis Church, Melbourne, for Maynooth College, Ireland, in exchange for specimens to come :—Mammals (4 species), Birds (7 species), Insects (120 species), Minerals (61 specimens).
- Received from W. W. Froggatt, F.L.S., Sydney :—Named collection Australian Psyllidæ (about 30 species), and Collections Hemiptera and Heteroptera; in exchange for Australian Neuroptera, previously given.
- Sent to J. C. Goudie, Birchip, in exchange for specimens received from him :—Collection Coleoptera (about 37 species).

PRESENTATIONS BY THE NATIONAL MUSEUM DURING THE YEAR 1903.

Entomology.

Recipient.	Description of Objects Presented
American Museum of Natural History, New York	1 Pubic Tassel; 1 Kurdaitcha Shoe; 1 bunch Eagle-hawk Feathers; 1 Chignon; 2 Head-bands; 1 feather Ornament, 2 Necklets; 9 Wooden Churinga; 1 Churinga or Poison-stone; 1 Stone Churinga, Central Australia.
Australian Museum, Sydney ..	1 Necklet; 1 Bunch of Eagle-hawk Feathers; 8 Wooden Churinga; 1 Stone Churinga, Central Australia.
Daniels and Seligmann, New Guinea ..	1 Wooden Churinga, Central Australia.
Museum, Owens' College, Manchester	1 Kurdaitcha Shoe, Central Australia.
Pitt Rivers Museum, Oxford, England	1 Fur Girdle; 1 Stone Churinga; 8 Wooden Churinga, Central Australia.
Syme, David, Melbourne	1 Seed Necklace; 3 Wooden Churinga; 1 Stone Churinga; 1 Pointing Stick; 1 Pointing Bone; 2 Nose Bones; 1 Ornament, Central Australia.
Zoological Museum, Florence ..	1 Fur Girdle; 3 Wooden Churinga; 1 Stone Churinga; 1 Chignon or Pad; 1 Kurdaitcha Shoe, Central Australia.

ETHNOGRAPHIC OBJECTS COLLECTED FOR THE NATIONAL MUSEUM BY MR. C. E. COWLE, OF ILLAMURTA, CENTRAL AUSTRALIA, DURING THE YEARS 1901-3.

7 Boomerangs; 5 Chisels; 16 Spear-throwers; 4 Pitchis; 10 Necklets; 13 Head-bands; 4 Bunches of Eagle-hawk Feathers; 1 Bunch Emu Feathers; 1 Bunch of Feathers; 1 Bunch of Rat-tails; 1 bunch of Peragale-tails on Head-band; 17 Girdles; Human Hair; 1 Sacred Stone; 1 Ceremonial Necklet ("Wupira"); 6 Chignons; 184 Wooden Churinga; 30 Stone Churinga; 21 Nose-bones; 13 Cylindrical Concretions; 2 Rolled Stones; 4 Pebbles; Fulgurite; 2 pieces of Iron Ore; 2 Pointing Bones; 2 Pointing Sticks; 1 Shield; 2 Kurdaitcha Shoes; Central Australia.