

THE
Melbourne Athenæum.

ANNUAL REPORT for 1909.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

OF THE

MELBOURNE ATHENÆUM,

FOR THE YEAR 1909,

To be submitted to the Members at the General Meeting

Wednesday, 26th January, 1910, at 8 p.m.

THE Committee of the Melbourne Athenæum submit
their report of the transactions of the year 1909.

The gross receipts of the year amount to £2621 11s. 6d.
and the expenditure is £2162 13s. 4d.

The credit balance in the bank is £545 13s. 2d., and there
are fixed deposits of £550 in the Bank of New South
Wales, and £1300 in the Bank of Australasia.

The number of members on the roll is 452, of whom
14 are life members, and 67 joined during the year.

The number of volumes added to the library during the year was 200. The total number of works issued to subscribers was 11,771, and 3000 magazines.

The following return shows the number of works of various classes that have been issued during the last four years:—

CLASSIFICATION.	1906.	1907.	1908.	1909.
Agriculture, Commerce, and Statistics	1	1	1	1
Mechanics, Mathematical Sciences, Architecture, Engineering, and Useful Arts	3	1	2	1
Biography, Speeches, and Correspondence	535	492	472	580
Classics and Philology	16	8	10	12
Fine Arts	3	2	4	1
Geography, Voyages, Travels, and Descriptive Works ..	507	662	624	819
History and Historical Memoirs ..	269	284	275	278
Jurisprudence and Legislation ..	1	1	2	1
Medical Science and Chemistry ..	1	1	1	1
Miscellaneous and Collected Works	375	349	339	364
Natural History and Botany ..	17	16	26	32
Works of Fiction	10,563	9,820	8,789	9,103
Music	3	3	1	1
Periodical Literature	550	403	393	367
Philosophy and General Science ..	36	46	66	79
Poetry and the Drama	53	73	46	71
Polities	15	16	6	14
Religious & Ecclesiastical Works ..	28	17	14	18
Juvenile Works	38	58	20	28
	13,014	12,253	11,091	11,771

The number of visitors introduced by members, under the provision of Rule 19, was 51.

The Government has contributed during the year:—

Victorian Parliamentary Debates.

The following donations of works have also been kindly made:—

The New Zealand Official Year Book, by the Government of New Zealand.

The Life of Mary Baker Eddy (by Sibyl Wilbur), by the First Church of Christ Scientist.

Transactions and Proceedings of the Royal Society of Victoria, Vol. XLIII, New Series, presented by the Council of the Royal Society.

Volume XXXVII, of the Proceedings of the Royal Colonial Institute, from the Society.

Australian Tales and Verses, by the author, Mr. P. Stewart.

The Commonwealth Gazette, by the Commonwealth Government.

Two Copies of Bradshaw's Guide to Victoria, supplied regularly by Messrs. Stillwell and Co.

Victorian Post Office Directory by Publishers of Wise's Directories.

The Sydney Trade Review and Prices Current, by the proprietors, Messrs. Mitchell, Chisholm, and Medcalf.

Perry's Directory of Great Britain and Ireland and Continental and Colonial Guide 1908, by the Proprietors.

The proprietors of the principal metropolitan and provincial newspapers have also each contributed one copy of their journals.

The Election of Honorary Office-Bearers resulted in the return of the following gentlemen:—President, Mr. B. Duffy; Vice-President, Mr. F. Scanlen; Treasurer, Mr. C. Remnie; Committee, Messrs. Martin, Hamilton, Hood, Cooke, Callaway, Rooke, Downward and Apps.

* There have been 13 meetings of the General Committee.

<i>The President, Mr. B. DUFFY</i>	..	..	attended	11
<i>The Vice-President, Mr. F. SCANLEN</i>	..	..	"	10
<i>The Treasurer, Mr. C. RENNIE</i>	..	..	"	10
<i>Trustee, Mr. G. LUSH</i>	..	..	"	1

COMMITTEE:

Mr. Rooke ..	..	attended	12	Mr. Downward ..	..	attended	9
Mr. Callaway ..	..	"	11	Mr. Apps ..	..	"	8
Mr. Martin ..	..	"	11	Mr. Hood ..	..	"	6
Mr. Kelly* ..	..	"	9	Mr. Hamilton ..	..	"	4
Mr. Cooke ..	..	"	9	Mr. Masters† ..	..	"	1

FINANCE COMMITTEE (12 Meetings).

Mr. Rennie (Chairman) attended	6	Mr. Kelly* ..	..	attended	7		
Mr. Callaway ..	..	"	11	Mr. Rooke ..	..	"	11
Mr. Cooke ..	..	"	8	Mr. Martin ..	..	"	3

* Mr. Kelly was elected on April 16, 1909.

† Mr. Masters was elected on November 1, 1909.

The President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and the following Members of Committee retire from office, but are eligible for re-election, viz.:—Messrs. Cooke, Kent and Rennie.

Members are reminded that they may make nominations to fill the vacancies at the close of the Annual Meeting (which the members are earnestly requested to attend), to be held on Wednesday, 26th January, 1910.

The Committee regretfully report that during the year they lost by death the valuable services of Mr. Martin Hood, who had been a member of the Institution since 1851, and for many years an energetic and useful member of the Committee.

The Institution was also deprived by the death in July 1909 of a faithful servant, our Secretary, Mr. J. H. B. Curtis, who had filled the position for 30 years. In consideration

of the work done by Mr. Curtis for the Institution, the Committee granted his widow a bonus of fifty guineas, and a minute expressing the Committee's appreciation of Mr. Curtis' long and faithful service was recorded.

The Committee, after calling for applications for the position of Secretary, selected Mr. R. W. E. Wilmot, who took over the duties on September 14.

During the period of the illness of the late Secretary, and prior to the appointment of his successor, Mr. William Smith, the Librarian, carried out the duties of Secretary to the satisfaction of the Committee, who are indebted to him for his loyal assistance. The extra work thus entailed on Mr. Smith has been suitably recognised by the Committee.

The Committee has recently gone to considerable expense in repairs, and in thoroughly renovating portion of the building.

B. DUFFY,

President.

THE TREASURER IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE MELBOURNE ATHENÆUM.

For the Year ending 31st December, 1909.

To Balance in Bank and Fixed Deposit ..	£1,936 15 0	By Interest on Mortgage ..	£640 0 0
Subscriptions ..	£458 19 0	Salaries and Wages ..	497 12 6
Rent of Large Hall ..	958 7 4	Books, Magazines, and Newspapers	337 6 8
," Front Shops ..	625 0 0	Gas ..	230 12 0
," Small Hall ..	342 3 0	Rates ..	218 4 0
Rooms ..	128 2 0	Repairs, Goods, and Sundries ..	65 17 1
Sales ..	18 0 2	Insurance ..	43 10 11
Interest ..	91 0 0	Binding ..	24 3 5
	————— 2,621 11 6	Postage, Stationery and Petty Cash	20 4 9
		Printing and Advertising ..	28 8 0
		Bonus to late Secretary ..	52 10 0
		Auditors ..	4 4 0
			————— £2,162 13 4
		Balance in Bank ..	545 13 2
		Fixed Deposits ..	1,850 0 0
			————— 2,395 13 2
			————— £4,558 6 6
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APPROXIMATE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

ASSETS.	LIABILITIES.
Estimated value of the real Property of the Institution ..	£35,000 0 0
Value of Library ..	1,500 0 0
," Furniture ..	750 0 0
Balance in Bank and Fixed Deposit ..	2,395 13 2
	————— £39,645 13 2
	————— £39,645 13 2

Audited and found correct.

CHAS. RENNIE, HONORARY TREASURER.

R. W. E. WILMOT, SECRETARY.

MELBOURNE, 21st January, 1910.

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Rennie, C.
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Riggall, W.
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Roberts, C. F.
Robertson, J.
Robison, C.
Robison, T. B.
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Rogers, C. H.
Rogers, A.
Rogers, Miss E.
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MELBOURNE ATHENÆUM.

Scale of Charges for the Halls and other Accommodation.

LARGE HALL (Seats 800).

For LECTURES, with Hat and Cloak Rooms.—One Engagement, £4 4s.; Two do. £8.

For CONCERTS and similar purposes, with Hat and Cloak Rooms, also Refreshment Room if required.—One Engagement, £5 5s.; Two do. £10.

For EARLY BALL (12 p.m.), with Hat and Cloak Rooms and Refreshment Room.—One Engagement, £7 7s.

N.B.—The floor of this Hall is expressly constructed for dancing.

For BALL, with Hat and Cloak Rooms and Refreshment Room.—One Engagement, £8 8s.

For BALL, with Hat and Cloak Rooms, Refreshment Room, Card Room, Supper Room, and Kitchen.—One Engagement, £10 10s.

For BREAKFASTS, DINNERS, &c.—Day, £4 4s.; Use of Kitchen, £1 1s.

The Kitchen is fitted with Ranges, Steam Apparatus, &c., sufficient to provide for from 200 to 300 guests.

For BAZAARS, and other purposes requiring both Day and Evening Occupation.—One Engagement, £7 7s.

For PUBLIC MEETINGS.—Day, £3 3s.

For a greater number of hirings the Committee will be prepared to make a proportionate reduction on the above charges.

LECTURE HALL (Seats 350).

One Engagement, £2 2s.; Two do. £4.

For DAY MEETINGS.—£1 10s.

The above Charges for the Halls are for consecutive dates, and include Gas, the arrangement of Seats, &c.

When attendants are engaged for the Hat and Cloak Rooms at Public Entertainments, they shall be persons approved of by the Committee.

ROOMS FOR SMALL MEETINGS.

Each Meeting, from 5s. to 10s.

List of Newspapers and Periodicals

SUPPLIED TO THE READING ROOM OF

THE MELBOURNE ATHENÆUM.

British and Foreign Newspapers.

Academy	Glasgow Herald (weekly)	New York Tribune
Athenæum	Good Words	Public Opinion
Belfast Weekly News	Graphic	Punch, London
Black and White	Harper's Weekly Illustrated	Queen
British Australasia	Illustrated London News 2	Saturday Review
Building News	Illustrirte Zeitung	Scientific American
Christian World	Inquirer	Scotsman (weekly)
Church Guardian	Jewish Chronicle	Sketch
Church Times	Lancet	Spectator
County Gentlemen, and Land and Water	London Record	Sphere
Dublin Warder	London Times	Sporting Life
Dublin Weekly Freeman	London Weekly Times	Sporting and Dramatic News
Economist	L'Illustration	Statesman & Friend of India
Engineer	Liverpool Weekly Mercury	St. James' Budget
Field	M.A.P.	Tablet
Financial News	Methodist Recorder	Vanity Fair
	Mining Journal	Westminster Budget
	Nation	World

British, Colonial and other Periodicals.

Army List	Hibbert Journal	United Service Magazine
Art Journal	Imperial Review	Westminster Review 2
Atlantic Mthly. Magazine 3	London Quarterly Review 1	Windsor 4
Australasian Insurance and Banking Record	Lone Hand	Young Ladies' Journal
Australian Journal	Musical Times	
Blackwood's Magazine 4	National Review	
Bradshaw's Guide 2	Nature 1	Australian Handbook
Cassell's Magazine 4	Navy List	Debrett's Peerage
Century Magazine 4	New Church Magazine	London Directory
Chambers' Edinburgh Jl. 6	Nineteenth Century 4	Melbourne Directory
Contemporary Review 4	North American Review 2	Melb. University Calendar
Cornhill Magazine 4	Notes and Queries	Mercantile Directory of the World
Dublin Review	Pall Mall Magazine 3	Oliver and Boyd's Edinburgh Almanack
Edinburgh Review 3	Pearson's Magazine 2	Queensland Almanac
English Illust. Magazine 2	Quarterly Review 3	Statesman's Year-Book
English Mechanic	Revue des Deux Mondes 1	Tasmanian Almanac
Family Herald 3	Scribner's Monthly 4	Victorian Almanacs, various.
Fortnightly Review 4	St. Nicholas 2	Victorian Statutes
Gentleman's Magazine 2	Strand 4	Vic. Post-office Directory
Harper's Magazine 5	Sunday at Home 2	
	Temple Bar Magazine 4	
	Truth	

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THE MELBOURNE ATHENÆUM.

Victoria.	
(MELBOURNE.)	
Argus (daily)	7
Age "	7
Herald "	10
Australasian	2
Australian Herald	
Punch	2
Leader	
Weekly Times	1
Advocate	
Government Gazette	
Harbinger of Light	
Journal of Commerce	
Mining Standard	
Rechabite and Temperance News	
Schoolmaster	
Southern Cross	
Spectator	
Sporting and Dramatic News	
Table Talk	2
(SUBURBAN.)	
Fitzroy City Press	
Richmond Australian	

(PROVINCIAL.)	
Ararat Advertiser	
Ballarat Courier	
Ballarat Star	
Bendigo Advertiser	
Bendigo Independent	
East Charlton Tribune	
Geelong Advertiser	
Gippsland Mercury	
Gippsland Times	
Hamilton Spectator	
Horsham Times	
Korumburra Times	
Kyneton Guardian	
Lilydale Express	
Maryborough and Dunolly Advertiser	
Maryborough Standard	
Mount Alexander Mail	
Numurkah Standard	
Ovens & Murray Advertiser	
Rutherglen Sun	
South Gippsland Chronicle	
St. Arnaud Mercury	
Stawell News	
Stawell Times	
Tarnagulla & Llanelly Cour.	
Tatura Guardian	
Wangaratta Chronicle	
Warrnambool Standard	
Wimmera Star	

New South Wales.
Albury Border Morning Mail
Daily Telegraph
Sydney Bulletin
Sydney Mail
Sydney Morning Herald
Wagga Wagga Express

South Australia.
South Australian Register

Queensland.
Brisbane Courier
Gympie Truth
Queenslander

Western Australia.
The Western Australian
The Australian Advertiser
Western Mail

Tasmania.
Hobart Town Mercury
Launceston Examiner

New Zealand.
Auckland, The Weekly News.
Otago Witness
Weekly Graphic

Fiji.
Fiji Times



For List of British and Foreign Newspapers and Periodicals

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