### TWENTY-NINTH CELEBRATION

# BENDIGO HOSPITAL SUNDAY

(First inaugurated -in the Colonies - at Bendigo, March, 1873).

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COMMITTEE ROOM,

TOWN HALL, BENDIGO,

October 8th, 1901.

DEAR SIR,

At the Meeting of the above Committee, held in the Town Hall, Bendige, on the 2nd July, it was resolved that the 20th October should be the day upon which the Simultaneous Collection should be made. It was also resolved that, for the current year, the following Institutions should participate in the amount received, in equal proportions,

> The Bendigo Gold District General Hospital, The Bendigo Benevolent Asylum.

Appended, I have the pleasure of handing you some general particulars of the claims and positions of these Institutions, as supplied by their respective officers, and to ask the favor of your valuable aid and kind co-operation in this important work of practical benevolence.

I am, very obediently yours,

JOSEPH H. ABBOTT, HON. SEC.

P.S.—I was also requested by the meeting to draw the special attention of the several denominations to the great desirability of taking up all the collections on one and the same day.—J.H.A.

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### Bendigo Hospital.

October 8th, 1901.

During the year ending 30th June, 1901, 1488 in-door patients were admitted and received the necessary treatment; of these 1349 were discharged cured or relieved, and the daily average of inpatients was 112, average stay nearly 29 days.

In addition there were 1472 out-door patients receiving attendance and medicine on 4418 separate occasions.

These figures do not include the work in the Children's Ward, no less than 243 Children being admitted for treatment during the period referred to above. To carry on this good work requires liberal contributions from the Government and the public, as efficiency has to be maintained in every department, and the most recent appliances in the medical and surgical world have to be procured to alleviate the sufferings of those who are so unfortunate as to require such at this Institution.

The Committee earnestly desire a liberal response to the Hospital Sunday appeal of 1901.

S. H. McGOWAN, Hon. Treasurer.

## Bendigo Benevolent Asylum.

During the year ending 30th June last, 454 in-mates were maintained, the daily average being 280, and there are at present in the Institution 236 old and decrepit people.

Out-door relief to the amout of £1107 was dispensed during the year to a daily averge 180 adults and 80 children.

The Institution has expended on the poor of the district £5462, and the overdraft at the end of the financial year was £1536.

Seeing the large amount of distress alleviated, the Committee confidently appeal to the various denominations to enable it to carry on the good work during the current year.

E. W. KIRBY,

HON. SECRETARY.