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BENEVOLENT ASYLUM.

MONTHLY MEETING.

The monthly meeting of the benevolent asylum board of management was presided over by Mr. W. Wright yesterday. In his monthly report, the acting-superintendent (Mr. Betteridge) stated that there were 145 inmates in the institution. Seven patients had been admitted, five discharged, and eight had died. Distributions totalling 578 had been made to families in destitute circumstances at a cost of £87, including £9/16/6 for food supplied to families residing in distant parts. The cost of the supplies was as follows:—Tea, £10/10/1; sugar, £15/9/3; beef, £15/11/6; flour, £9/0/3; bread, £14/0/8; meal, £4/10/; rice, £3/2/2; and sago, £4/10/3; making a total of £77/5/.

Mr. E. G. Ham, secretary of the Bendigo Easter Fair Society, notified that the annual meeting of the society would be held to-morrow night. The period would terminate the term of the board's representatives (Messrs. W. Wright and A. J. Hamilton), but both were eligible for re-election. It was unanimously decided that the two retiring representatives be re-appointed, with Mr. J. P. Christie as a substitute representative.

The treasurer (Mr. G. Mackay) reported that payments during the month amounted to £619/8/7, and the present debit balance was £5322/18/6, which could be greatly reduced if certain promises were fulfilled.

Mr. Betteridge acknowledged donations from Mrs. Chesterfield, 10/, and E. Williams, £10.

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BENEVOLENT ASYLUM.

A STRENUOUS YEAR.

Debit Balance Reduced.

According to statements submitted to the annual meeting of the subscribers to Bendigo Benevolent Asylum yesterday afternoon, the institution had passed through a difficult year on account of prevailing distress throughout the country, but the debit balance had, nevertheless, been reduced to the extent of over £2000. The chair was occupied by the president, Mr. W. Wright.

The financial statement showed that the year commenced with a debit balance of £6704/15/6. The receipts amounted to £13,283/17/1, and the expenditure to £17,551/7/. The debit balance at the end of the term was £4267/9/11.