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## HIGH SCHOOL OF HOBART TOWN

The High School was founded in 1848 by a group of leading Presbyterians and Free Churchmen, including Rev. John Lillie, Minister of St. Andrews Church, Hobart, G.W.Walker, R. Officer, T.D.Chapman, etc. A grant of land on the Domain was received from the Crown and a building designed by A. Dawson was begun in 1848 by Messrs. Cleghorn and Anderson, costing about \$3600. By 1851 there were already 81 pupils, by 1859 boarders were taken and a junior department had been started. Dr. Lillie was the first Rector. In 1857 Rev. R.D.P. Harris took up the appointment of Rector and remained until 1885, leasing the school from the shareholders from 1862. In 1885 the rights were handed over to Christ College and the building sold to the University of Tasmania in 1892.

Other papers relating to the High School held by F.C.Wolfhagen were not received. These include some correspondence relating to the land grant, 1846-50, and a printed copy of the petition to the Legislative Council to allow the High School to vest the premises in the University of Tasmania, which includes a note of the history of the school. Other material is held by the Mitchell Library, Sydney, and Christ College Trust.

- H.8/ 1 The Report of the Council of the High School of Hobart Town, at the general meeting of shareholders and subscribers. 1849  
(printed booklet, H. & G. Best printers 'Courier' office).
- 2 Report of the Council of the High School. 1851  
(printed, H. & G. Best)
- 3 Annual Examination 1851  
Copy of examination papers and list of results.  
(printed pamphlet 'Colonial Times' office, Hobart, 2 copies)
- 4 Annual Report 1859  
Report on the annual examinations, with copies of examination papers, and list of council and masters. Drawing of building at front.  
(printed pamphlet (J. Davies 'Mercury' office) 2 copies)