

In a Report to Sir Richard Bawke in the year 1837 - the following remark occurs -

"The prevailing immorality of the population of N. S. W. is no doubt to be attributed primarily to their neglect of the fear of God, many secondary causes contribute to foster, if not to induce, a state of reckless impiety in the community - Foremost in the rank of these we apprehend, is the encouragement given by the Government to the consumption of spirituous liquors by the sanction of their distilleries and importation, and by the licensing of houses for their sale - We wd respectfully state our conviction that the prohibition of the sale of all spirituous liquors, as a beverage, wd promote the reformation and prosperity of the population in a greater degree than any other measure in the power of the Government." &c &c

at Graham's Tavern 1st

On the 10th 1mo 39 I see by his journal there
is notice of a meeting for the promotion
of Total abstinence from intoxicating liquors.
The chief labour on the occasion assisted
with J B and himself. Though it is remarked
that "The Total abstinence cause has a good
many supporters here, but there are ^{several} ~~some~~
leading men, including ^{some of them} ministers, who
have not joined in this view of regarding
those things by which many are offended and
made weak, and many sternly & fall"
~~The first signature was~~ ^{10th of 10mo 41-} Hobbs
About 3 or 4 men after he settled in this Society
town he originated the Total Abstinence
wh he continued with others to support
amidst much reproach and opposition
wh others connected with him at that time
can say more about than myself
Having had some thought about Sippy's Banks
~~and~~ After some conversation with
a friend upon the benefit of ^{such institutions} Savings Banks

he came to the resolution of endeavouring
to establish one in Hobart Town wh^{ch} he succe-
fully did - in the 2^d mo 1845 And wh^{ch} he had
the pleasure of seeing progress and confer-
a benefit upon thousands up to the day
of his giving up his trust.

Indeed he was interested in every movement
that appeared likely to step and elevate
his fellow man and according to his
measure helped all such forward.

on his way out in company with J Backhouse they
were detained at Cape Town 10 days before leaving
they had the satisfaction of attending ^{concerned in the} a meeting ~~for the~~
formation of a Temperance Society in that town