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ON THE

POST OFFICE AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT

FOR THE YEAR

1871.

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POST OFFICE AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT,

GENERAL POST OFFICE,

Melbourne, 31st March 1872.

SIR,

As required by the 57th section of the Post Office Statute, 29 Victoria No. 298, I have the honor to submit a General Report upon the affairs of the Post Office for the year 1871.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W. TURNER,

Deputy Postmaster-General.

The Honorable

The Postmaster-General,

&c., &c., &c.

REPORT.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

The progress of the business of the Department during the year 1871 may be considered on the whole as satisfactory.

Gross receipts for Postages, Money Order Commission, &c., amounted to £129,991, showing an increase of £1945 over the year 1870.

Gross receipts on account of the Electric Telegraph business amounted to £36,941, or £3796 in excess of the receipts during the previous year.

The increase in the Postal business has been chiefly in the Inland correspondence. The Intercolonial ship letters show a slight increase, but there has been a falling off on the British and Foreign ship letters, which makes the total number of ship letters about 29,000 less than in 1870.

The reduction in the Intercolonial rate from 6d. to 3d. has not been attended with such results as were expected, as by a comparison of the number of letters despatched to the neighboring colonies by sea during 1869 there appears only an increase little over 6 per cent., which may have been caused by circumstances in no way connected with the cheaper rates.

The Inland rate was reduced from 4d. to 2d. in August 1866. In 1865 the number of Inland letters to each person in the colony was 9, and in 1871 about 13 to each person.

It is difficult to determine how far this increase is to be ascribed to the lowering of the Postal rates, as the extended settlement in the country districts which has taken place within the last few years would—had the higher rate been maintained—have led to considerable augmentation in the circulation of correspondence within the colony.

The result of the reduction in the rates on Electric Telegraph messages, which took effect from 1st January 1870, has been a very considerable increase in the number of messages transmitted. Since the introduction of the uniform shilling rate on Victorian telegrams, two years ago, the business has been nearly doubled; and the lowering of the rates on Intercolonial messages has been followed in seventeen months by an increase in number equal to 60 per cent.

Number of Victorian Messages in 1869, before the reduction	...	256,723
" " " 1871, two years after the reduction	...	496,043

Gross Cash Receipts, 1869, Victorian Messages	...	£24,154 6s. 9d.
" " " 1871, " "	...	£27,274 14s. 2d.

Average Number of Intercolonial Messages for seven months before reduction in rates	...	2,150 per month
Average Number of Intercolonial Messages during 1871, after reduction in rates	...	3,446 per month

Cash Receipts, average during seven months, to 31st July 1870, Victorian Messages	...	£871 11s. 0d. per month
" " " 1871, Victorian Messages	...	£805 11s. 9d. per month

EXPENDITURE.

The amount of expenditure on account of Post Office and Telegraph services for Salaries and Wages, and Contingencies, during 1871, was £128,537, being £1801 in excess of the amount expended under same heads in 1870. This is accounted for by increments under Civil Service Act, and necessary expenditure in consequence of increased business in all branches of the Department. The Mail Service (exclusive of Steam Postal Communication) amounted to £83,391, showing an increase over previous year of £7627. The Ocean Mail Service cost £44,415, showing an apparent increase of £8886 over 1870; but as there was an undercharge in the accounts for 1870 of £9055, the cost of this service during 1871, as it now appears, was £178 less than in 1870. The accounts for 1871 have, however, yet to be finally adjusted.

A further statement of the revenue and expenditure of the Department for 1871 will be found at page 22 of this Report.

INLAND, INTERCOLONIAL, AND FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

On comparing the following statement with that at page 7. of the Report of this Department for 1870, it will appear that there has been an increase in the Inland correspondence during the past year of a little over $6\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., and this may be taken as representing as nearly as practicable the actual facts of the case.

On Intercolonial letters despatched there has been an increase of nearly 3 per cent., and on Intercolonial letters received about 6 per cent.

On British and Foreign, received and despatched, there has been a decrease on the former of nearly $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., and on the latter of about 4 per cent.

On the whole there has been an increase in the number of letters of a little over 5 per cent.

Inland packets have increased $14\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

Intercolonial packets received and despatched have increased 42 and 57 per cent. respectively.

British and Foreign packets despatched have increased $21\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., and those received have decreased about $22\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

On the total number of packets there has been an increase of about $13\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

Inland newspapers have increased 4 per cent.

British and Foreign newspapers despatched have increased nearly 2 per cent.

Intercolonial newspapers received and despatched show a decrease of nearly 2 per cent., and British and Foreign received have fallen off during the year over 16 per cent.

On the whole there has been a decrease in the number of newspapers passing through the post, during the year, of about 2 per cent.

RETURN showing the Number of Letters, Packets, and Newspapers Received and Despatched during 1871.

Number of Post Offices.	Inland Letters.	SHIP LETTERS.				Total Letters.
		Despatched.		Received.		
		Colonial.	British and Foreign.	Colonial.	British and Foreign.	
706	9,900,064	386,652	528,182	396,676	504,592	11,716,166
	Inland Packets.	SHIP PACKETS.				Total Packets.
		Despatched.		Received.		
		Colonial.	British and Foreign.	Colonial.	British and Foreign.	
	394,398	26,242	10,630	10,415	27,862	469,547
Inland Newspapers.	SHIP NEWSPAPERS.				Total Newspapers.	
	Despatched.		Received.			
	Colonial.	British and Foreign.	Colonial.	British and Foreign.		
2,807,501	357,531	592,482	246,241	1,169,215	5,172,970	

REGISTERED LETTERS.

The number of registered letters posted in Victoria during the year 1871 amounted to 123,013, showing an increase of about rather more than 7 per cent.

The number of letters containing valuable enclosures for which enquiries have been made during the last twelve months has been much smaller than for some years past; it is still, however, much to be desired that the registration of letters containing money should in no case be overlooked, as the neglect of this precaution not only opens a way to dishonest practices, but makes it almost impossible to determine whether a letter, reported to be missing, has really been posted, or if posted, to trace it in its passage through the office to its destination.

DEAD LETTERS.

The following statements show the extent of business transacted in the Dead Letter Office during 1871:—

RETURN showing the Number of Letters that passed through the Dead Letter Branch during the Year 1871.

Year.	Received.			How disposed of.		
	Unclaimed.		Irregularly Posted.	Total.	Returned and Delivered.	Destroyed, &c.
	Victorian.	Ship.				
1871	72,635	11,961	21,935	106,531	95,048	11,483
						106,531

Eight hundred and thirty-six registered letters are included in the above numbers: 156 contained enclosures of money, value as given below; 8 with articles value not known; and 672 without valuable contents, or the value of contents not known to the department; 35 ordinary letters also contained articles of value.

Twenty-four letters with obscene or libellous addresses were posted during the year.

One hundred and fifty of the irregularly posted letters bore no name or address whatever, and 485 imperfect addresses; these letters could not, in consequence, be forwarded to their intended destinations; the remainder were partially or wholly unpaid.

Seventy-eight letters were ascertained to bear wrong addresses, and many of them contained valuable enclosures.

In addition to the above number of letters, 2285 packets were also dealt with during the year.

RETURN showing the Number of Registered and Unregistered Letters containing Value that passed through the Dead Letter Branch during the Year 1871.

Year 1871.	Received.						How dealt with.					
	Registered.		Ordinary.		Total.		Returned to Senders and Delivered.		Paid into Treasury from 64 Letters Destroyed.		On hand at close of Year.	
	No.	Value of Contents.	No.	Value of Contents.	No.	Value of Contents.	No.	Value of Contents.	No.	Value of Contents.	No.	Value of Contents.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Cash, Notes, and Stamps }	76	84 7 5	440	365 0 0	516	449 7 5	330	366 16 3	64	32 2 6	62	50 8 8
Cheques, &c. ...	80	1,561 1 9	639	15,186 2 2½	719	16,747 3 11½	686	13,627 4 3½	...	...	33	3,119 19 8
Total ...	156	1,645 9 2	1,079	15,551 2 2½	1,235	17,196 11 4½	1,016	13,994 0 6½	64	32 2 6	95	3,170 8 4

PROPOSED ALTERATION IN THE POSTAL LAW.

A Bill was passed during last Session by the House of Assembly amending the *Post Office Statute* 1866. This Bill was rejected by the Legislative Council, and therefore it is not necessary to do more for the purposes of this Report than to place on record the leading features of the measure.

The Bill provided for—

The reduction of postage on Inland newspapers, and on newspapers sent out of the colony by private ship from one penny to a halfpenny;

The reduction of the Postage rates on all Intercolonial letters, and on Foreign letters sent by private ship, from sixpence to threepence;

The reduction in the Postage rates on ship packets to one penny per ounce;

The reduction of the minimum weight of Inland packets from four to two ounces;

The issue of a penny Post Card;

And generally for amending the existing law, with a view to the convenience of the public and the better administration of the Post Office Department.

NEW POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES.

Thirty-two new Post Offices were opened in 1871 at the undermentioned places :—

Ballanee	Hazelglen	Nirranda	Stockyard Creek
Briagolong	Kiewa	Powlett Plains	Tahara
Carpentait	Kolora	Powlett's Hill	Talangatta
East Shelbourne	Main Lead	Redhill	Toolern
East Trentham	Major Plains	Rosebrook	Warrambine
Eurambien	Mount Cameron	Shady Creek	Warrenmang
Geelong East	Mount Wallace	Shelbourne	Wendouree
Greenvale	Muddy Creek Bridge	Sorrento	Wyuna.

Five Post Offices were closed, viz. :—Lake Hindmarsh, Leviathan Reef, McMahon's Creek, Merrijig, and Talbotville.

The names of the following offices have been changed :—Boggy Creek to "Bulumwaal;" Bridgewater to "Cape Bridgewater;" Fiddler's Creek to "Percydale;" Myrtle Creek to "Myrtleford;" and Warrambine to "Hesse."

The Post Office at Ross' Creek, which was closed in October 1869, was re-opened in July 1871.

Dandenong, Eaglehawk, Eldorado, Gaffney's Creek, St. Kilda, Shady Creek, and Terang, have been opened as combined Post and Telegraph Offices.

Post Office Savings Banks have been opened at the following places :—

Birregurra	Cranbourne	Meredith	Wodonga.
Bungaree	Eldorado	Moyston	
Corop	Inverleigh	Walhalla	

Money Order Offices have been established at the following places :—

Birregurra	Dromana	Morrison's Diggings	Riddell's Creek
Corop	East Brighton	Murchison	Sago Hill
Cowes	Eddington	Richmond South	Ullina.

Total number of Post Offices on the 31st December 1871, 706.

The third delivery in the suburbs, which was discontinued in 1869, was resumed on the 1st October 1871. The boundaries of the delivery at Carlton have been extended to Scotchmere street.

Letter deliveries have been established at Bright, Eldorado, Eaglehawk, Mansfield, Seymour, and Wodonga.

BUILDINGS.

Arrangements are in progress for transferring the Central Telegraph Office from William street to a temporary building, now in course of erection, on the vacant portion of land in Elizabeth street the site of the future extension of the permanent building. These arrangements, which it is expected will be completed about the end of May, will effect a considerable saving for rent and other expenses connected with the maintenance of the Central Office as at present. It will also have the effect of economising labor, as the services of the officers now employed in the Telegraph branch at the General Post Office can be made available for other purposes. Moreover, it will greatly facilitate the despatch of business, by concentrating the staff at the Head Office, where all matters pertaining to the administration of the Department have been conducted since the amalgamation of offices in 1869.

It is proposed to open a receiving house at the Custom House, where telegrams may be deposited for transmission by messenger, at regular intervals, to the Central Office for despatch by wire to destination.

The erection of the temporary buildings referred to has, by restricting the area available for out-buildings and yard accommodation, shown the necessity for securing some land immediately adjoining the Post Office reserve, in order to provide for the inevitable requirements of the Department in future years.

OTHER BUILDINGS.

At Ballarat, on 13th March, the Telegraph business was removed to the new public offices, under the same roof with the Post Office and Sub-Treasury.

At Taradale it has been found necessary to rent other and more convenient premises.

The new buildings at Dunolly, Heathcote, and Kyneton have been completed and occupied.

At Beaufort the new building is rapidly approaching completion, and will, it is anticipated, be occupied about 1st April 1872.

At Eldorado, Emerald Hill, and St. Kilda telegraphic communication has been established, and premises rented in each case for offices and quarters.

The telegraph wires having been extended to Eaglehawk, a portion of the court-house has been set apart and occupied as a Post Office and Telegraph station.

The Post and Telegraph Office at Avoca, having become dilapidated and uninhabitable, it has been decided to build new offices in a central part of the town, on an allotment of land purchased for the purpose near the shire hall.

Repairs and alterations have been effected to the buildings at Bairnsdale, Belfast, Carisbrook, Colac, Echuca, Geelong, Inglewood, Mornington, Queenscliff, Sandhurst, Sandridge, and Williamstown.

To the building at Collingwood, of which the Post and Telegraph Office forms a portion, a verandah has been added, which greatly conduces to the comfort and convenience of the public transacting business at that office.

Additional iron receiving-pillars have been erected at Sandhurst, St. Kilda, Richmond, and Williamstown.

POSTAGE STAMPS.

Provisional ninepenny stamps have been issued since 22nd April, consisting of the tenpenny stamp altered by having the word "ninepence" printed across the face.

Perforated stamped newspaper wrappers, with green borders, have been issued since 17th May.

The issue of the tenpenny stamp was discontinued on the 21st of June, in consequence of the Brindisi route having superseded the Marseilles route.

One hundred and-eight new licenses for the sale of stamps to the public have been granted during the year, and thirty-one revoked, making the total number at present on the books 311.

DENOMINATION, Number, and Value of Postage Stamps Manufactured and Issued at the General Post Office during the Year 1871.

MANUFACTURED.			ISSUED.		
Denomination.	Number.	Value.	Denomination.	Number.	Value.
		£ s. d.			£ s. d.
One-penny stamps ...	3,060,000	12,750 0 0	One-penny stamps ...	3,406,084	14,192 0 4
One-penny stamped newspaper wrappers ...	174,640	727 13 4	One-penny stamped newspaper wrappers ...	240,333	1,001 7 9
Twopenny stamps ...	8,218,800	68,490 0 0	Twopenny stamps ...	9,269,184	77,243 4 0
Twopenny stamped envelopes...	11,600	96 13 4	Twopenny stamped envelopes	11,600	96 13 4
Twopence - farthing stamped envelopes ...	2,940	27 11 3	Twopence - farthing stamped envelopes ...	6,020	56 8 9
Fourpenny stamps ...	96,000	1,600 0 0	Threepenny stamps ...	423,838	5,297 19 6
Sixpenny stamps ...	240,000	6,000 0 0	Fourpenny stamps ...	134,077	2,234 12 4
Ninepenny stamps ...	54,000	2,025 0 0	Sixpenny stamps ...	658,472	16,461 16 0
Two-shilling stamps ...	12,000	1,200 0 0	Ninepenny stamps ...	47,778	1,791 13 6
			Tenpenny stamps ...	5,891	245 9 2
			One-shilling stamps ...	78,425	3,921 5 0
			Two-shilling stamps ...	12,686	1,268 12 0
			Five-shilling stamps ...	5,187	1,296 15 0
Totals ...	11,869,980	92,916 17 11	Totals ...	14,299,575	125,107 16 8

INLAND MAILS.

The amount paid for conveyance of Inland Mails, 1871 (including the sum of £6150 paid to the Department of Railways), was £82,183, and the gross number of miles travelled with the Mails was 3,234,287, at an average cost of $6\frac{1}{2}$ d. per mile.

The accepted tenders for the year 1872 are very much higher than those for 1871, and average $8\frac{1}{8}$ d. per mile.

It has been suggested that the contracts for the larger Mail Services be let in future for a period of three years. It is believed that that would lead to increased competition and to more favorable terms being secured to the Government.

Additions and Alterations in Mail arrangements, 1871.

To and from Darlington and Mortlake, two days a week.
 To and from Beaufort and Main Lead, three days a week.
 To and from Stonyford and Carpendeit, once a week.
 To and from Allansford and Nirranda, once a week.
 To and from Moonambel and Warrenmang, three days a week.
 To and from Geelong and East Geelong, daily.
 To and from Durdidwarrah and Mount Wallace, two days a week.
 To and from Ballan and Ballanee, three days a week.
 Extra daily mail to and from Geelong and Queenscliff during the summer season (1st January to 30th April, and 1st December to 31st December).
 To and from Port Albert and Stockyard Creek, once a week.
 To and from Marysville to Jamieson, three days a week, in lieu of Mansfield to Jamieson, three days a week.
 To and from Echuca and Wyuna, once a week.
 To and from Murchison and Mooroopna, once a week.
 To and from Rye and Sorrento, two days a week.
 To and from Dromana and Red Hill, two days a week.
 To and from Murchison and McMillans, once a week.
 To and from Castlemaine and Chewton, once a day, additional.
 Additional mail every day to Fitzroy, St. Kilda, Richmond, Collingwood, South Yarra, and Prahran, and three deliveries to the above and Emerald Hill by letter carrier, instead of two per diem.
 An additional clearance of the letter-boxes at Fitzroy and Collingwood.
 To and from Muckleford and Chinaman's Flat, six days a week.
 To and from Benalla and Mansfield, once a week.
 To and from Castlemaine and Maryborough, six days a week in addition to night mail.
 To and from Moonambel and Warrenmang, three days a week.
 To and from Shelbourne and East Shelbourne, three days a week.
 An additional mail a week from Frankston and Hastings.
 To and from Leigh Road Railway Station and Inverleigh, three days a week.
 To and from Mount Cameron and Mount Greenock, three days a week.
 An additional mail from Stratford to Sale with correspondence for England.
 Additional mail daily to and from Drummond and Glenlyon.
 Additional mail daily to and from Minersrest and Mount Blowhard.
 To and from Inglewood and Powlett Plains, once a week.
 Additional mail daily to and from Newstead and Joyce's Creek.
 To and from Tylden and East Trentham, three days a week.
 To and from Murchison and Mooroopna, once a week.
 Ross Creek to Smythesdale and Avoca to Nattie Yallock re-established.
 Deviation to Briagolong, two days a week.
 Increase of speed of an hour in conveyance of the mails between Dromana, Mornington, and Melbourne.

EXTENSION OF ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH LINES.

The undermentioned extensions have been completed during the past year :—

Wood's Point to Gaffney's Creek	...	12 miles
Camperdown to Terang	...	13 miles
Sandhurst to Eaglehawk	...	5 miles

Additional Wires erected during 1871.

Ballarat to Creswick	...	12 miles
" Beaufort	...	28 miles
Castlemaine to Sandhurst	...	22 miles

Lines in course of Construction to be completed during 1872.

Port Albert to Wilson's Promontory	78 miles
Castlemaine to Fryerstown	6 miles
Melbourne to Richmond	2 miles (opened 2nd January 1872)
" Emerald Hill	1 mile (opened 7th February 1872)
" Hawthorn	4 miles
" Brighton	11 miles

Wires dispensed with and taken down during 1871.

Third wire between Longwood and Benalla, 40 miles. It is proposed to erect this line between Melbourne and Kilmore, to connect with the Heathcote branch to Sandhurst.

It is also contemplated to dispense with the special wire, 35 miles, to Mornington, and replace Mornington office on the Morse circuit of the Southern Coast line.

Full particulars relating to the Electric Telegraph business will be found appended to this Report.

Pending the opening of the telegraph in connection with the cable at Port Darwin, telegrams have been received for despatch by Mail steamer to Ceylon for transmission to all parts of the world to which the electric telegraph has been extended.

The question of placing the whole of the lines of the colony on open circuit has been under consideration, and from the various reports on the subject there can be no doubt that it is highly desirable steps should be taken in this direction with as little delay as possible. The first outlay has been estimated at £1650, but such an outlay would eventually lead to a more economical working of the lines. The open circuit system, which is in operation in all the European countries, would give increased command of the lines to all stations, and thus afford greater security against interruption to business, from acts of omission or commission by operators, trifling in themselves, but of most serious importance in their consequences, to which the lines are liable under the present system. The probability of electric telegraph communication being shortly opened with England, and of messages being received at night, points to the necessity for the change being immediately effected.

STEAM POSTAL COMMUNICATION.

In September 1871 a Conference of Delegates from the colonies of Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia, Tasmania, and Queensland, assembled in Melbourne, and agreed to the following terms for the establishment of a Postal Service between the colonies and England :—

The colonies above mentioned to contribute towards the maintenance of two Postal lines—one between London and Sydney by way of Suez, and the other between London and Melbourne by way of San Francisco—a sum not exceeding £123,000 per annum in the following proportions, based on the relative population of such colonies, viz. :—

	Estimated Population (exclusive of Aborigines).	Proportionate Payment.
		£ s. d.
Victoria	728,734	54,958 13 3
New South Wales	501,580	37,827 9 5
South Australia	185,626	13,999 6 0
Queensland	115,000	8,672 18 2
Tasmania	100,000	7,541 13 2
	1,630,940	£123,000 0 0

This sum was fixed on the assumption that one-half of the total cost of both services would be borne by the Imperial Government. The following were the conditions upon which the contributions were to have been paid :—

1. Mails to be delivered at destination by each route within 48 days.
2. Steamers by the Suez route to deliver and receive Mails at Glenelg (Holdfast Bay) in South Australia, and in Melbourne. Australian terminus of line, Sydney.
3. Steamers by the San Francisco route to deliver and receive Mails at Moreton Island, Queensland, and at Sydney, New South Wales. Australian terminus of line, Melbourne.
4. Time Table of the two lines to be so arranged as to provide for the arrival and despatch of a Mail every fortnight.

The colony of New Zealand was to have been permitted to join in agreement, on payment of proportion of cost on basis of population and of necessary branch service.

The contributions of the colonies would then have stood thus :—

	Estimated Population (exclusive of Aborigines).	Proportionate Payment.
		£ s. d.
Victoria	728,734	47,492 11 2
New South Wales	501,580	32,688 12 9
South Australia	185,626	12,097 9 9
Queensland	115,000	7,494 14 0
Tasmania	100,000	6,517 3 0
New Zealand	256,393	16,709 9 4
	1,887,333	£123,000 0 0

Period of contracts to have been for five years certain.

This agreement, which was subject to the approval of the Legislatures of the colonies interested therein, was ratified by the Victorian House of Assembly on 17th October, but has since become void in consequence of its having been rejected by the Assembly of New South Wales.

Shortly before the meeting of the Conference above referred to, the Government of Victoria gave notice of its intention to withdraw from the existing arrangement for the conveyance of the Mails from Ceylon to Sydney; and information has since been received that the Postmaster-General in England has decided to terminate the contract with the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company for the Australian Mail Service, which will consequently expire on the 31st December 1873, until which time this colony is bound by agreement to continue to pay its proportion of the Colonial moiety of the subsidy.

According to the account prepared by the Receiver and Accountant-General of the General Post Office, London, the estimated proportion of the Colonial moiety of the subsidy to the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, and of the cost of the service to and from Point de Galle, with incidental expenses, due by Victoria for 1871, is £44,415 5s. 2d.

There is also in this account £9055 11s. debited against this colony, being amount undercharged in 1870, which, added to the amount previously charged, brings the total cost on account of that year up to £44,584 16s. This has been caused by the establishment in 1870 of the service to New Zealand *via* San Francisco, and the consequent withdrawal of the greater portion of the New Zealand correspondence from the Suez route, which rendered necessary an adjustment of the account after the estimated sums due by the respective colonies had been rendered, as published at page 12 of Report of this Department for last year.

In the account for the year 1870 certain sums were debited to the colonies for the service between the United Kingdom and Point de Galle, on account of the additional subsidy claimed for the year 1869 by the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company under clause 38 of the contract of November 1867 for conveyance of India and China Mails. As, however, a new contract was entered into in April 1869, by which the addition to the original subsidy was fixed at £50,000 instead of a probable payment of £100,000, credit has been given in the account for 1871 for the difference thus arising in favor of the colonies.

The following return shows the gross amount chargeable to the Australian Colonies and New Zealand, on account of the Mail Packet Service for the year 1871 :—

RETURN showing the Amounts Chargeable on the Australian Colonies and New Zealand on account of the Mail Packet Service for the Year 1871.

Colonies.	Number of Letters Inwards and Outwards in 1870.	Service to Point de Galle.	Service between Point de Galle and King George's Sound.	Service between King George's Sound and Melbourne.	Service between Melbourne and Sydney.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Victoria	1,012,860	13,798 11 2	19,627 1 11	9,242 2 1	...
New South Wales	404,240	5,508 0 8	7,834 12 8	3,688 15 0	3,905 5 9
South Australia	208,610	2,842 6 1	4,042 18 0	...	...
New Zealand	183,585	2,500 10 11	3,556 15 7	1,675 15 8	1,773 13 1
Tasmania	70,578	962 12 6	1,369 4 9	644 0 3	...
Queensland	176,225	2,400 17 3	3,414 19 10	1,608 7 0	1,702 1 2
Western Australia	34,248	467 1 5	664 7 3	...	...
Totals	2,090,446	28,480 0 0	40,510 0 0	16,859 0 0	7,381 0 0

Colonies.	Moiety of Cost of Mail Boxes and Mail Bags.	Moiety of Expenses of Naval Agents in Charge of Mails.	Estimated Number of Newspapers, &c., Inwards and Outwards, <i>via</i> Suez.	Egyptian Transit Rate on Newspapers, &c., <i>via</i> Suez.	Totals.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Victoria	96 18 0	156 5 0	1,835,721	1,494 7 0	44,415 5 2
New South Wales	38 13 7	62 7 6	730,578	594 8 6	21,632 3 8
South Australia	19 19 2	32 3 9	387,498	315 5 0	7,252 12 0
New Zealand	17 11 2	28 6 4	432,950	352 6 0	9,904 18 9
Tasmania	6 15 3	10 18 0	248,027	201 16 6	3,195 7 3
Queensland	16 17 3	27 3 8	292,957	238 4 6	9,408 10 8
Western Australia	3 5 7	5 5 9	66,039	53 12 6	1,193 12 6
Totals	200 0 0	322 10 0	3,993,770	3,250 0 0	97,002 10 0

The estimated receipts by Victoria on account of this service during 1871 are—

Postage on letters, including registration fee ...	£16,654	19	10
„ Newspapers ...	2,457	2	8
„ Packets ...	266	14	10
	£19,378 17 4		

Showing deficiency on the year of £25,036 7s. 10d.

The following statement shows the amounts charged against the Australian Colonies and New Zealand in each year from 1866 to 1871 inclusive on account of Mail Packet Service, according to the number of letters received and despatched to the United Kingdom, as per annual statement from the London office. Also the actual cost to Victoria on adjusted accounts from 1866 to 1870 inclusive :—

Year.	Victoria.			New South Wales.			South Australia.			New Zealand.		
	Letters.	£	s. d.	Letters.	£	s. d.	Letters.	£	s. d.	Letters.	£	s. d.
1866 ...	1,094,668	28,774	16 11	475,302	14,635	10 6	251,423	5,098	1 0	758,843	23,494	9 6
1867 ...	1,076,799	37,297	2 7	468,494	20,495	11 9	267,711	7,038	10 5	54,598	2,141	0 11
1868 ...	965,193	42,145	14 1	390,355	21,063	0 2	246,727	8,385	16 1	102,545	5,931	3 1
1869 ...	964,624	46,555	16 2	313,937	19,418	17 1	224,695	8,454	14 0	64,445	4,317	1 3
1870 ...	990,164	35,529	5 8	414,446	17,470	5 3	221,936	6,262	13 6	559,046	23,671	2 4
1871 ...	1,012,860	44,415	5 2	404,240	21,632	3 8	208,610	7,252	12 0	183,585	9,904	18 9
	6,104,308	234,718	0 7	2,466,774	114,715	8 5	1,421,102	42,492	7 0	1,723,062	69,459	15 10

Year.	Tasmania.			Queensland.			Western Australia.			Total.		
	Letters.	£	s. d.	Letters.	£	s. d.	Letters.	£	s. d.	Letters.	£	s. d.
1866 ...	82,176	2,213	13 11	242,124	7,424	7 4	34,644	719	9 2	2,939,180	82,360	8 4
1867 ...	79,421	2,859	4 0	251,032	10,909	16 7	35,442	968	13 9	2,233,497	81,710	0 0
1868 ...	75,410	3,333	12 10	203,635	10,960	10 5	35,963	1,255	13 4	2,019,828	93,075	10 0
1869 ...	72,438	3,584	6 4	175,153	10,761	16 6	35,490	1,345	18 8	1,850,782	94,438	10 0
1870 ...	71,206	2,613	17 1	178,351	7,501	0 2	35,774	1,015	6 0	2,470,923	94,063	10 0
1871 ...	70,678	3,195	7 3	176,225	9,408	10 8	34,243	1,193	12 6	2,090,446	97,002	10 0
	451,329	17,800	1 5	1,226,520	56,966	1 8	211,561	6,498	13 5	13,604,656	542,650	8 4

The following returns show the number of letters, packets, and newspapers received and despatched by the Royal Mail Steamers each voyage :—

RECEIVED.

Date.	Name of Vessel.	Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.
1871.				
January 18 ...	Avoca ...	42,447	2,489	104,633
February 17 ...	Geelong ...	42,048	2,706	112,495
March 15 ...	Rangoon ...	42,667	2,578	108,555
April 11 ...	Avoca ...	40,964	2,286	95,527
May 13 ...	Geelong ...	41,654	2,324	97,053
June 6 ...	Rangoon ...	38,576	2,390	98,545
July 3 ...	Avoca ...	39,678	2,301	91,541
July 31 ...	Geelong ...	38,187	2,175	92,635
August 26 ...	Rangoon ...	38,391	2,109	90,071
September 26 ...	Nubia ...	38,307	2,144	88,494
October 25 ...	Geelong ...	39,197	2,113	88,522
November 28 ...	Behar ...	2,022	46	1,985
December 24 ...	Nubia ...	44,188	2,175	91,622
	Totals ...	488,326	27,836	1,161,678

DESPATCHED.

Date of Despatch.	Name of Steamer.	Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.
1871.				
January 3 ...	Geelong ...	34,986	577	41,641
„ 31 ...	Rangoon ...	45,482	1,015	53,338
February 28 ...	Avoca ...	41,687	1,206	40,778
March 28 ...	Geelong ...	44,021	1,005	39,264
April 23 ...	Rangoon ...	38,674	829	44,963
May 21 ...	Avoca ...	38,857	887	45,913
June 18 ...	Geelong ...	43,828	834	42,134
July 16 ...	Rangoon ...	42,935	735	45,332
August 13 ...	Avoca ...	41,694	828	43,967
September 10 ...	Geelong ...	40,297	765	45,511
October 10 ...	Rangoon ...	43,263	790	64,503
„ 16 ...	Malacca ...	1,882	48	2,507
November 7 ...	Nubia ...	37,188	764	41,769
December 5 ...	Geelong ...	27,693	561	38,092
	Totals ...	522,487	10,844	589,712

Actual cost of service to Victoria, as per adjusted accounts for service from 1866 to 1870 inclusive, £199,179 10s., or an average of £39,835 18s. during the five years.

The Mail steamers have been before their time at Melbourne on nine voyages from Galle, out of the thirteen performed during the year, and on the whole the service has been satisfactorily performed, as is shown by the following statement :—

STATEMENT showing the Dates upon which the Royal Mail Steamers were Due in Melbourne, and the Dates upon which they Arrived ; also the Duration of the Voyage from Galle.

Name of Steamer.	Due at Melbourne.	Arrived at Melbourne.	Duration of Voyage from Galle.		Late.	Before Appointed Time.
	1871.	1871.	Days	hours minutes.	Days.	Days.
<i>Avoca</i> ...	January 19th ...	January 18th ...	20	8 30	...	1
<i>Geelong</i> ...	February 16th ...	February 17th ...	22	6 50	1	...
<i>Rangoon</i> ...	March 16th ...	March 15th ...	20	20 25	...	1
<i>Avoca</i> ...	April 13th ...	April 11th ...	20	2 45	...	2
<i>Geelong</i> ...	May 11th ...	May 13th ...	23	5 20	2	...
<i>Rangoon</i> ...	June 8th... ..	June 6th ...	21	1 0	...	2
<i>Avoca</i> ...	July 6th... ..	July 3rd... ..	20	16 0	...	3
<i>Geelong</i> ...	August 3rd ...	July 31st ...	19	9 40	...	3
<i>Rangoon</i> ...	August 31st ...	August 26th ...	18	4 40	...	5
<i>Nubia</i> ...	September 28th ...	September 26th ...	20	1 15	...	2
<i>Geelong</i> ...	October 26th ...	October 25th ...	22	13 0	...	1
<i>Behar</i> ...	November 23rd ...	November 28th ...	20	10 50	5	...
<i>Nubia</i> ...	December 21st ...	December 23rd ...	23	22 0	2	...

CALIFORNIAN ROUTE.

Mails for the United States and for England were despatched during the months of May, June, July, and August, by a line of steamers from Sydney to San Francisco, *via* Fiji and Honolulu, chartered by Mr. W. H. Hall, of Sydney, for the service, an arrangement having been entered into by Messrs. Osborne, Cushing, and Co., the Melbourne agents, that the ordinary gratuity of one penny per letter only should be paid, pending more permanent arrangements. In August 1871 the Hon. H. Parkes, of Sydney, as representative of Mr. Hall, submitted a proposal to this Government for a service every lunar month from Melbourne to San Francisco, *via* Sydney, Fiji, and Honolulu, and offered to contract, under suitable penalties, to deliver Mails in Melbourne from Liverpool in 48 days, the amount asked from Victoria for the service being £20,000 per annum. The steamers were, however, shortly after this withdrawn from the line, as the enterprise did not receive sufficient encouragement from the respective Governments whose support had been calculated upon.

In September 1871 the steamship *Nebraska* arrived in Melbourne, *via* California. This vessel is one of a line of steamers belonging to Messrs. Webb and Holliday, of New York, who are under contract with the Government of New Zealand to run a line of Mail steamers for ten years between San Francisco and New Zealand in 25 days, including stoppages—Auckland being the first port of arrival and last of departure—thirteen voyages to be performed each way every year. Contractors to run steamer every 28 days from Auckland to Sydney, and between Sydney and Auckland in connection with the main line; and, if required by the Government of New Zealand, or the contractors at their option, may run the steamers from Sydney to Melbourne, and from Melbourne to Sydney; but shall not be required to run the steamers to and from Melbourne, unless the Victorian Government pay £30,000 per annum, to be equally divided between the Government of New Zealand and the contractors. Time allowed between San Francisco and Sydney 31 days, the Government of New Zealand paying £50,000 per annum for the service.

The *Nebraska* took Mails from Melbourne on her return voyage, on payment to the master of the vessel of the gratuity allowed by law of one penny per letter; and Mails have been forwarded on the same terms each month from Melbourne for transmission from Sydney by the steamers employed on the line.*

* A contract has since been entered into by the Government of Victoria (subject to approval of the House of Assembly) and the Government of New Zealand, with Messrs. Webb and Holliday, for the conveyance of Mails thirteen times in each year to and from Melbourne and San Francisco.

STATEMENT showing Number of Letters Forwarded and Received by Mail Steamers employed in Californian Mail Service.

Period, 1871.	Fiji.		Honolulu.		America and West Indies.		England.		Total.		General Total.
	Received.	Despatched.	Received.	Despatched.	Received.	Despatched.	Received.	Despatched.	Received.	Despatched.	
HALL'S LINE. From 1st May to 26th August, five Mails inwards, five Mails outwards	459	604	34	90	4,067	2,354	...	635	4,560	3,683	8,243
WEBB'S LINE. From 25th September to 20th December, four Mails inwards, four Mails outwards	510	...	...	74	4,747	2,153	31	298	5,288	2,525	7,813
											16,056

TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION WITH EUROPE AND THE EAST.

The telegraph cable was successfully laid between Java and the Australian shore on 17th November 1871; but, owing to unexpected difficulties retarding the completion of the overland telegraph line between Port Augusta in South Australia and Port Darwin, it is not expected that through communication by wire can be established until the end of July 1872.

It is stated to be the intention of South Australia to establish in the meantime a horse express to convey messages over the unfinished portion of the line, and the most energetic measures have been taken for overcoming the obstacles in the way of this great undertaking.*

MONEY ORDER AND SAVINGS BANK BRANCH.

The number of Money Orders issued during the year was 100,908, against 91,002 in 1870; the difference showing an increase of 9906, or 10·88 per cent.

The number of Money Orders paid during the year was 90,182, against 79,191 in 1870; the difference showing an increase of 10,991, or 13·87 per cent.

The value of the Money Orders issued during the year was £313,223 13s. 3d., against £291,626 3s. 5d. in 1870; the difference showing an increase of £21,597 9s. 10d., or 7·40 per cent.

The value of the Money Orders paid during the year was £290,066 0s. 5d., against 261,871 15s. in 1870; the difference showing an increase of £28,194 5s. 5d., or 10·76 per cent.

The number of new Savings Bank accounts opened during the year was 8864, the number closed 5237; and the number remaining open on the 31st December was 24,804.

The total amount of Deposits received during the year was £292,679 17s. 3d.; and the amount repaid was £229,871 18s. 11d.

The total amount of Interest placed to the credit of the depositors for the year was £11,167 2s. 2d.

The total amount of Balances to the credit of the depositors on the 31st December 1871 was £353,525 4s. 10d.; and at the 31st December 1870, £279,550 4s. 4d.; the difference showing an increase of £73,975 0s. 6d., or 26·46 per cent.

The total number of depositors' accounts at 31st December being 24,804, and the amount of the balances being £353,525 4s. 10d., the average balance was £14 5s. 0½d.

Of the 24,804 accounts remaining open on the 31st December—

20,800 did not exceed £20.

2,222 were above £20 but did not exceed £50

1,014 " £50 " £100

370 " £100 " £150

147 " £150 " £200

251 " £200

* Proposals have been made, and are now under consideration, for running a steamer twice or three times a month with telegrams, between Port Darwin and Normantown, to which place the telegraph lines of Queensland have been extended.

The total number of deposits received during the year was 63,693, averaging £4 11s. 10³/₄d. each.

The total number of repayments was 22,213, averaging £10 6s. 11¹/₂d. each.

Twelve new Money Order Offices were opened, making the number open at the close of the year 207.

Ten new Savings Banks were opened, making the number open at the close of the year 122.

Of the 24,804 depositors at the close of the year, 14,858 were males, and 9946 females.

POST OFFICE MONEY ORDERS.

RETURN of the Number of Money Order Offices, the Number and Amount of Orders Issued and Paid, in the Colony of Victoria during the year 1871, and the Amount of Revenue received for Commission.

Number of Money Order Offices in 1871.	Net Revenue received from Commission on Orders.	Orders Issued.		Orders Paid.		Total Transactions.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
207	4,159 0 8	100,908	313,223 13 3	90,182	290,066 0 5	191,090	603,289 13 8

RETURN showing the Number and Amount of Orders Issued and Paid at each Money Order Office in Victoria during the Year 1871.

Office.	Orders Issued.		Orders Paid.		Office.	Orders Issued.		Orders Paid.	
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.			£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Alexandra ...	547	1,728 2 5	140	623 13 4	Edenhope ...	102	395 6 1	11	56 16 6
Amherst ...	174	536 14 0	83	131 6 2	Eddington ...	9	430 10 6	18	56 7 3
Ararat ...	872	2,642 2 9	520	1,841 2 5	Eldorado ...	474	1,526 6 1	59	209 9 7
Ascot ...	44	210 18 0	10	49 7 0	Eltham ...	66	407 13 11	15	65 14 6
Avenel ...	487	1,981 6 2	47	201 18 10	Emerald Hill ...	654	1,759 9 10	1,055	3,540 11 11
Avoca ...	701	1,952 6 1	312	1,223 13 1	Epsom ...	154	469 19 8	46	195 1 6
Bacchus Marsh ...	356	1,162 18 11	149	444 5 3	Footscray ...	76	213 11 7	73	215 4 3
Bairnsdale ...	484	1,473 14 11	196	793 1 4	Fryerstown ...	240	693 2 4	112	293 19 7
Ballan ...	256	865 1 1	149	410 5 9	Gaffney's Creek ...	306	899 3 2	39	97 11 9
Ballarat ...	7,979	23,643 9 7	9,603	26,764 5 9	Geelong ...	3,720	10,560 12 6	4,782	15,543 12 4
Barry's Reef ...	104	299 18 9	38	76 1 0	Gisborne ...	295	836 16 6	169	633 7 5
Beaufort ...	504	1,537 16 2	236	796 5 1	Grant ...	180	821 15 2	46	225 5 7
Beechworth ...	992	3,297 19 8	883	3,263 3 10	Graytown ...	263	720 2 8	304	726 13 7
Belfast ...	628	1,775 15 5	405	1,453 0 7	Guildford ...	180	666 0 8	83	299 10 3
Benalla ...	537	1,752 14 8	406	1,632 3 1	Hamilton ...	880	3,039 6 2	986	4,010 7 0
Berlin ...	340	1,231 16 10	186	656 3 4	Happy Valley ...	159	498 11 8	27	63 10 4
Birregurra ...	111	375 5 8	8	14 15 0	Hastings ...	99	426 11 5	10	31 4 6
Bransholme ...	130	396 18 5	23	98 17 4	Hawthorn ...	180	568 19 7	131	514 19 7
Bright ...	337	1,009 5 7	123	488 12 1	Heathcote ...	547	1,687 1 2	285	915 3 4
Brighton ...	124	265 1 2	156	580 13 10	Heidelberg ...	60	175 13 6	50	153 6 7
Broadford ...	297	1,046 16 11	51	219 2 9	Hexham ...	97	275 4 0	13	54 11 0
Brunswick ...	236	627 13 6	224	800 2 10	Heywood ...	198	592 9 10	23	73 0 0
Buckland ...	111	555 15 2	4	22 4 2	Horsham ...	181	636 14 6	58	264 18 7
Bungaree ...	72	265 12 0	15	44 2 6	Hotham ...	506	1,577 19 8	446	1,432 12 6
Buninyong ...	433	1,343 3 4	320	1,025 5 5	Inglewood ...	632	1,847 7 1	312	1,055 2 11
Campbell's Creek ...	116	259 4 11	134	526 5 6	Inverleigh ...	90	407 18 5	22	72 1 10
Camperdown ...	598	1,727 15 4	270	925 8 8	Jamieson ...	259	684 10 7	100	327 3 2
Caramut ...	114	250 15 1	10	17 16 4	Jasper Road ...	16	40 17 2	2	7 0 0
Carisbrook ...	347	1,163 7 5	81	247 11 0	Kangaroo Flat ...	340	910 7 3	85	298 17 4
Carlton ...	520	1,600 12 8	760	2,400 14 10	Keilor ...	25	92 8 4	17	63 19 6
Casterton ...	550	2,350 18 6	99	470 0 7	Kerang ...	38	102 1 11	34	75 6 9
Castlemaine ...	2,282	6,626 11 6	1,685	5,097 13 10	Kew ...	100	280 12 6	115	450 0 5
Cheltenham ...	134	434 15 4	68	174 12 11	Kilmore ...	852	2,470 16 9	669	2,790 6 2
Chewton ...	288	782 18 7	184	483 10 9	Kingower ...	98	292 12 3	26	73 8 8
Chiltern ...	336	966 14 8	208	788 10 6	Kingston ...	147	325 18 3	45	196 9 10
Clunes ...	2,008	5,250 17 2	803	2,347 12 5	Koroit ...	145	427 12 10	59	165 3 6
Coburg ...	125	473 7 1	79	362 19 11	Kyneton ...	1,336	3,913 16 6	817	2,861 11 1
Colac ...	547	1,944 7 1	233	815 8 5	Lancefield ...	254	826 18 5	70	246 4 8
Coleraine ...	540	1,835 3 2	95	358 5 6	Landsborough ...	176	485 9 5	86	105 13 1
Collingwood ...	1,384	4,171 14 3	2,103	6,248 16 10	Learmonth ...	226	646 15 0	96	373 0 1
Corop ...	47	163 11 6	11	27 17 8	Lilydale ...	204	778 2 1	63	227 8 4
Cowes ...	5	8 11 6	14	112 18 0	Linton's ...	304	798 12 6	141	474 2 1
Cranbourne ...	74	288 5 10	22	79 9 6	Longwood ...	117	357 17 8	43	168 19 10
Cressy ...	107	363 2 8	27	170 5 10	Macarthur ...	175	666 4 9	25	98 7 5
Creswick ...	670	1,922 1 2	476	1,353 4 11	Maffra ...	75	267 1 4	26	109 17 0
Dandenong ...	103	400 13 2	84	277 6 5	Majorca ...	441	1,042 5 11	252	726 0 11
Daylesford ...	1,239	3,369 1 5	620	1,959 2 9	Maldon ...	718	1,392 12 3	530	1,385 3 3
Digby ...	117	345 17 0	29	98 6 4	Malmsbury ...	294	693 17 4	196	520 4 4
Donnelly's Creek ...	99	263 8 11	17	71 4 6	Mansfield ...	515	1,720 14 2	160	760 8 8
Dromana ...	43	166 17 3	18	57 5 10	Maryborough ...	1,227	3,540 4 1	516	1,830 16 8
Drysdale ...	70	174 15 1	23	86 14 2	Melton ...	68	237 17 4	44	193 4 11
Dunkeld ...	156	459 8 8	24	83 0 2	Meredith ...	333	1,174 8 1	94	447 7 2
Dunolly ...	663	1,684 9 11	356	930 19 5	Merino ...	260	891 1 1	43	248 11 8
Eaglehawk ...	1,187	3,137 4 1	272	885 17 8	Moonambel ...	108	319 18 3	26	73 7 6
East Brighton ...	8	26 1 0	1	3 18 0	Moonee Ponds ...	159	505 14 7	47	98 18 1
Echuca ...	890	2,741 14 11	373	1,189 15 5	Moornington ...	258	994 8 9	129	494 1 8

RETURN showing the Number and Amount of Orders Issued and Paid at each Money Order Office in Victoria during the Year 1871.—continued.

Office.	Orders Issued.			Orders Paid.			Office.	Orders Issued.			Orders Paid.		
	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.	
		£	s. d.		£	s. d.			£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Morrison's ...	135	382	3 5	26	130	8 11	Smythesdale ...	316	788	9 4	314	1,071	17 4
Mortlake ...	375	1,104	10 1	87	220	18 10	Suake Valley ...	187	708	17 9	65	280	7 6
Mount Blackwood	285	652	4 6	134	221	16 7	Snowy Creek ...	41	68	5 2	6	40	6 0
Mount Egerton	310	827	16 3	111	321	6 6	South Yarra ...	275	771	5 0	336	838	2 0
Moyston ...	113	311	4 8	49	158	2 10	Stawell ...	1,847	5,722	2 3	624	2,115	5 4
Murchison ...	11	58	8 0	...	...	...	Steiglitz ...	364	802	1 8	118	340	8 8
Nagambie ...	277	1,508	5 8	25	142	6 6	Stratford ...	125	331	14 11	62	266	17 3
Newbridge ...	134	418	3 4	42	134	19 11	Streatham ...	180	705	9 3	44	202	12 7
Newstead ...	165	501	11 2	66	155	18 11	Stuartmill ...	132	331	15 1	26	108	19 3
Oakleigh ...	71	250	13 7	20	74	16 6	Sunbury ...	248	794	9 2	68	252	3 0
Oneco ...	256	926	17 7	44	314	8 0	Swan Hill ...	94	305	16 10	33	157	7 6
Ondit ...	223	734	10 11	33	90	10 8	Talbot ...	1,062	2,676	16 3	433	1,374	11 7
Penshurst ...	295	834	11 0	52	178	9 3	Taradale ...	470	1,335	18 8	388	1,019	12 6
Pentland Hills...	83	266	10 0	26	79	19 8	Tarnagulla ...	294	981	17 4	284	944	16 9
Piggoreet ...	390	1,360	3 7	129	406	13 8	Terang ...	479	810	19 1	45	232	8 6
Port Albert ...	356	1,212	12 3	162	580	12 3	Toorak ...	88	277	2 1	48	125	16 6
Portland ...	753	2,155	14 11	690	2,555	18 7	Traralgon ...	58	101	9 6	10	64	6 2
Prabran ...	640	1,810	19 6	535	1,733	18 5	Trentham ...	61	210	19 2	24	117	18 7
Queenscliff ...	283	908	2 6	316	975	11 6	Ullina ...	5	16	9 6	...	...	...
Redbank ...	158	485	7 1	29	114	3 10	Vaughan ...	90	238	1 1	41	117	18 0
Richmond ...	610	1,877	19 4	1,015	3,094	11 9	Wahgunyah ...	186	598	1 8	82	241	3 5
Richmond South	43	159	15 11	10	20	10 0	Walhalla ...	700	2,572	18 8	156	561	4 4
Riddell's Creek	87	207	10 10	42	129	8 0	Wangaratta ...	552	1,915	5 1	310	1,230	15 1
Rokewood ...	398	1,309	2 4	80	254	8 1	Warrnambool ...	1,242	4,029	0 5	787	2,769	5 8
Romsey ...	165	523	1 1	66	220	1 3	Wedderburn ...	170	803	16 4	78	213	10 5
Rosedale ...	240	951	4 11	89	340	13 5	Whroo ...	119	497	13 5	28	83	8 3
Rushworth ...	515	2,121	10 7	101	381	6 3	Wickliffe ...	185	765	3 2	28	143	11 3
Rutherglen ...	325	1,395	12 11	157	575	13 11	Williamstown ...	808	2,731	7 8	532	1,746	18 7
St. Arnaud ...	377	1,069	19 5	264	910	18 0	Winchelsea ...	180	651	18 1	43	108	18 5
St. Kilda ...	674	1,812	19 6	772	2,842	18 1	Wodonga ...	413	1,546	4 4	55	293	15 3
Sago Hill ...	19	83	4 7	2	5	18 0	Woodend ...	519	1,622	9 6	205	788	0 11
Sale ...	530	2,002	0 10	574	2,122	5 5	Wood's Point ...	687	2,033	11 5	232	920	9 4
Sandhurst ...	7,867	23,709	9 1	3,226	10,143	2 4	Yackandandah...	292	846	7 8	145	475	3 4
Sandridge ...	454	1,438	0 0	390	1,436	4 10	Yea ...	234	1,008	16 4	70	263	2 8
Scarsdale ...	223	636	3 3	92	207	8 0	Yowen Hill ...	10	34	2 6	1	1	13 0
Sebastopol ...	480	1,241	14 8	552	1,556	14 1							
Seymour ...	584	1,834	15 9	123	420	15 11							
Shelford ...	89	302	15 0	27	88	17 3							
Skipton ...	222	728	8 5	40	208	7 5							
Smeaton ...	286	923	15 7	32	150	6 0							
							Melbourne ...	84,163	257,558	8 9	53,098	172,151	18 6
								16,745	55,665	4 6	37,084	117,914	1 11
							Totals	100,908	313,223	13 3	90,182	290,066	0 5

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT showing the various Places where the Money Orders issued in Victoria during the Years 1871 and 1870 were made payable.

Place.	1871.			1870.		
	Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.	
		£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Victoria ...	75,615	227,619	16 3	65,547	203,160	19 1
United Kingdom	19,938	65,815	18 3	20,502	69,368	1 8
New South Wales	1,943	6,953	14 0	1,726	6,129	2 7
New Zealand	773	3,379	15 0	719	3,486	5 4
South Australia	1,264	3,970	18 0	1,319	4,436	17 11
Queensland	320	1,276	13 5	287	1,149	1 0
Tasmania ...	1,020	4,027	12 10	886	3,841	17 10
Western Australia	35	179	5 6	16	53	18 0
Totals	100,908	313,223	13 3	91,002	291,626	3 5

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT showing the various Places where the Money Orders paid in Victoria during the Years 1871 and 1870 were originally issued.

Place.	1871.			1870.		
	Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.	
		£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Victoria ...	75,352	227,489	9 8	65,478	203,227	11 10
United Kingdom	3,535	15,199	9 5	3,314	14,197	8 11
New South Wales	3,119	12,040	11 0	2,852	11,549	14 8
New Zealand	3,891	17,960	9 2	3,862	17,943	3 8
South Australia	1,755	6,095	14 6	1,404	5,058	11 8
Queensland	707	3,152	19 2	584	2,763	1 9
Tasmania ...	1,651	6,938	12 5	1,548	6,299	10 7
Western Australia	172	1,188	15 1	149	832	11 11
Totals	90,182	290,066	0 5	79,191	261,871	15 0

POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANK.

RETURN showing the Names of Places where Post Office Savings Banks have been Opened, the Dates of their Establishment, the Number of Accounts Opened and Closed, and the Number and Amount of Deposits and Withdrawals, during the Year 1871; also the Amount of Balances remaining at the end of the Year.

Name of Post Office Savings Bank.	Date when Established.	Number of Accounts Open at close of 1870.	Number of Accounts Opened in 1871.	Number of Accounts Closed in 1871.	Number of Accounts Open at close of 1871.	Balances on 31st Dec. 1870.	Deposits received in 1871, including Interest.		Withdrawals paid in 1871.		Balances remaining at close of 1871.
							No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	
Alexandra ..	1st Nov. 1869	20	9	9	20	£ s. d.	78	300 2 3	24	313 0 5	113 17 11
Ararat ..	1st Jan. 1866	97	20	10	107	126 15 1	160	815 15 0	48	303 0 1	1,436 3 11
Avenel ..	1st Nov. 1869	7	11	4	14	8 11 7	31	205 10 2	8	55 15 10	168 5 11
Avoca ..	6th Nov. 1865	150	44	14	180	2,795 17 3	254	2,517 10 4	91	1,352 16 11	3,990 10 8
Bacchus Marsh ..	17th Sept. 1866	40	9	4	45	176 2 8	49	230 2 3	15	127 1 9	279 3 2
Bairdsdale ..	1st Nov. 1869	9	14	4	19	41 10 7	54	129 15 7	11	67 8 1	103 18 1
Ballan ..	1st Nov. 1869	17	10	1	26	130 19 8	48	304 1 5	9	101 2 1	333 19 0
Ballarat ..	11th Sept. 1865	1,212	413	302	1,323	15,439 6 0	2,568	14,541 13 1	1,265	11,415 14 0	18,565 5 1
Beaufort ..	1st Dec. 1865	23	12	6	29	332 15 7	61	378 16 4	9	137 8 8	574 3 3
Beechworth ..	11th Sept. 1865	468	128	69	527	3,994 15 6	838	4,037 7 5	260	2,516 6 0	5,515 16 11
Belfast ..	1st Feb. 1866	14	1	1	13	647 4 2	14	419 19 5	10	114 1 1	953 2 6
Benalla ..	15th April 1867	26	19	8	57	864 11 7	79	548 0 6	21	373 1 2	1,039 10 11
Birregurra ..	1st July 1871	..	3	..	3	..	4	8 11 9	..	..	8 11 9
Bright ..	1st Feb. 1868	84	11	6	89	554 2 9	66	444 5 9	25	257 9 2	740 19 4
Brighton ..	1st Oct. 1866	21	13	9	25	373 3 11	68	411 1 4	16	570 19 3	214 6 0
Brunswick ..	1st Oct. 1867	147	69	26	190	583 16 3	793	1,163 11 9	121	890 8 6	857 4 6
Bungaree ..	1st Dec. 1871	..	3	..	3	..	6	138 10 0	..	..	138 10 0
Buninyong ..	12th July 1866	136	48	10	174	1,951 0 4	483	3,343 7 8	97	1,219 19 9	4,074 8 3
Campbell's Creek ..	25th Mar. 1869	19	3	1	21	57 5 8	9	4 14 4	1	1 12 9	60 7 3
Camperdown ..	1st Dec. 1865	58	16	13	61	255 10 9	73	203 0 2	30	189 17 11	268 13 0
Carisbrook ..	17th Sept. 1866	112	24	16	120	1,371 0 10	169	1,049 7 6	46	735 19 0	1,684 9 4
Carlton ..	1st Oct. 1867	198	150	68	280	1,167 16 3	1,451	2,146 19 3	245	1,439 19 0	1,874 16 0
Casterton ..	1st Nov. 1869	19	8	2	25	215 12 9	37	213 17 9	13	174 19 10	254 10 8
Castlemaine ..	11th Sept. 1865	105	26	23	108	1,858 19 5	166	835 19 7	85	961 9 8	1,733 9 4
Cheltenham ..	1st Feb. 1868	133	23	17	139	688 4 8	425	428 8 6	69	291 9 7	825 3 7
Chiltern ..	6th Nov. 1865	46	14	11	49	565 5 6	57	527 12 8	40	577 5 4	515 12 10
Clunes ..	6th Nov. 1865	191	70	50	211	1,347 17 0	432	1,491 6 8	120	1,093 3 4	1,746 0 4
Colac ..	17th Sept. 1866	57	18	13	62	294 5 4	122	301 17 0	34	117 3 10	478 18 6
Coleraine ..	6th Nov. 1866	47	8	5	50	408 8 4	45	246 8 8	23	427 12 7	227 4 15
Coleraine ..	1st Nov. 1869	25	10	6	29	184 6 6	42	277 1 7	30	156 18 10	304 9 3
Collingwood ..	15th Nov. 1865	1,757	810	596	1,971	17,024 16 10	6,391	19,154 1 7	1,941	15,821 8 7	20,557 9 10
Corop ..	1st Sept. 1871	..	5	..	5	..	6	39 6 2	..	..	39 6 2
Cranebourne ..	1st Sept. 1871	..	15	..	15	..	66	22 10 0	..	..	22 10 0
Creswick ..	6th Nov. 1865	149	36	26	159	1,268 2 6	260	1,017 17 11	120	1,124 2 1	1,161 18 4
Daylesford ..	1st Jan. 1869	68	38	23	83	1,023 5 7	154	748 15 2	94	627 6 2	1,144 14 7
Drysdale ..	1st Jan. 1870	11	8	1	18	244 18 6	22	127 13 9	7	133 19 3	238 13 0
Dunolly ..	1st Dec. 1865	106	26	16	116	1,745 6 1	280	769 13 2	65	706 6 9	1,808 13 6
Eaglehawk ..	23rd Nov. 1868	28	16	7	37	130 13 5	67	167 15 8	20	155 1 10	143 7 3
Echuca ..	1st Feb. 1866	129	58	45	142	872 18 6	431	1,299 1 6	124	1,014 7 0	1,157 13 0
Eldorado ..	1st Sept. 1871	..	32	..	30	..	65	364 6 0	5	46 7 6	317 18 6
Emerald Hill ..	4th June 1866	382	296	138	540	933 19 3	2,287	2,389 5 6	444	1,483 2 8	1,840 2 1
Footscray ..	1st Oct. 1867	17	4	4	17	40 12 7	60	91 18 10	10	37 1 4	95 10 1
Fryerstown ..	1st Aug. 1867	55	15	10	60	293 0 7	99	188 7 0	33	192 6 3	289 1 4
Geelong ..	11th Sept. 1865	1,256	368	307	1,337	17,033 0 5	3,104	14,644 9 4	1,041	11,580 4 7	20,097 5 2
Gisborne ..	1st Nov. 1869	23	7	..	30	106 10 8	242	168 5 0	10	31 3 6	241 12 2
Graytown ..	12th July 1869	75	25	18	82	972 5 7	125	360 19 6	86	740 6 5	592 18 8
Guildford ..	1st Oct. 1867	19	13	10	22	172 14 7	38	535 2 5	30	305 5 8	402 11 4
Hamilton ..	12th July 1868	49	21	19	51	1,110 1 1	190	913 0 11	49	865 10 5	1,157 11 7
Hawthorn ..	1st Oct. 1867	108	38	17	129	966 7 10	414	901 10 7	92	846 8 1	1,021 10 4
Heathcote ..	12th July 1866	158	23	30	151	6,554 5 10	173	2,118 12 3	140	3,284 8 6	5,368 9 7
Heywood ..	1st Nov. 1869	19	8	6	19	74 10 0	29	113 13 3	3	3 4 3	184 19 0
Horsham ..	1st Nov. 1869	19	6	6	19	275 11 3	28	251 0 4	11	160 18 4	365 13 3
Hotham ..	1st Oct. 1867	216	177	61	332	1,164 1 5	1,711	1,634 10 8	342	1,500 7 6	1,298 4 7
Inglewood ..	1st Jan. 1866	104	31	17	118	646 9 0	240	1,199 11 10	46	376 15 9	1,469 5 1
Inverleigh ..	1st Aug. 1871	..	7	..	6	..	73	12 17 4	1	0 5 0	12 12 4
Jameson ..	1st Nov. 1869	21	19	5	35	772 15 10	61	1,476 17 9	23	300 13 5	1,689 0 2
Jasper Road ..	8th Aug. 1870	9	7	3	7	41 18 1	33	95 16 0	7	53 16 9	83 17 4
Kellor ..	17th Sept. 1866	9	1	1	9	97 9 6	2	24 5 8	1	0 15 1	121 0 1
Kew ..	1st Oct. 1867	4	8	5	7	44 7 6	28	193 0 3	13	85 9 5	151 18 4
Kilmore ..	6th Nov. 1865	73	25	10	88	941 14 11	220	1,001 9 0	56	504 15 11	1,438 8 0
Kingston ..	1st Jan. 1869	73	7	10	70	142 8 1	82	112 4 3	22	38 14 10	215 17 6
Kyneton ..	6th Nov. 1865	89	16	11	94	1,140 19 10	187	823 11 4	59	701 3 8	1,263 7 6
Landsborough ..	1st Jan. 1870	24	12	5	31	59 12 7	302	333 9 11	12	13 15 5	379 7 1
Linton ..	1st Jan. 1870	1	5	1	5	0 13 0	14	25 11 11	7	11 0 8	15 4 3
Luton's ..	1st Jan. 1870	20	15	4	31	36 15 10	134	177 3 7	12	112 3 10	101 15 7
Macarthur ..	18th Sept. 1869	16	15	9	22	281 16 7	91	373 14 0	34	406 9 1	249 1 6
Majorca ..	2nd May 1870	9	9	5	13	73 19 10	104	618 13 5	17	97 8 2	595 5 1
Maldon ..	6th Nov. 1865	240	35	25	250	1,446 6 1	283	896 4 2	88	806 2 1	1,530 8 2
Malmesbury ..	1st Nov. 1869	16	5	5	16	97 1 6	44	88 1 0	14	55 1 7	128 0 11
Mansfield ..	1st Nov. 1869	45	25	9	61	207 11 10	98	398 3 0	36	208 12 6	397 2 4
Maryborough ..	11th Sept. 1865	221	61	53	229	2,239 17 7	306	1,716 1 9	145	1,982 10 0	1,993 9 4
Meredith ..	2nd Oct. 1871	..	11	..	11	..	14	50 10 0	..	..	50 10 0
Merino ..	13th Nov. 1868	16	2	3	15	461 3 4	7	214 13 0	14	496 4 1	179 12 3
Moonee Ponds ..	17th Sept. 1866	90	34	14	110	753 17 1	307	754 9 0	55	661 3 0	847 3 1
Mornington ..	1st Nov. 1869	11	9	2	18	475 1 4	37	302 1 6	7	93 15 7	683 7 3
Mortlake ..	1st Nov. 1869	18	11	5	24	404 10 2	59	475 0 4	13	294 4 5	585 6 1
Mt. Egerton ..	1st Oct. 1869	8	13	4	17	481 15 8	60	471 3 3	16	255 18 4	097 0 7
Moynton ..	10th May 1871	..	4	..	4	..	10	124 3 6	1	3 0 0	121 3 6
Nagambie ..	8th Aug. 1870	..	1	..	1	..	1	3 10 8	..	..	3 10 8
Newstead ..	16th Sept. 1869	9	4	2	11	56 9 2	20	156 16 0	11	104 2 6	109 2 8
Omco ..	1st Jan. 1870	15	5	3	17	722 19 8	15	579 5 7	12	338 14 1	963 11 2
Penshurst ..	1st Jan. 1870	2	4	2	4	45 18 4	9	84 16 9	4	90 18 4	30 16 9
Figgoet ..	1st Nov. 1869	20	27	5	42	289 18 0	129	874 3 0	26	332 6 2	831 14 10
Fort Albert ..	1st Dec. 1865	58	24	8	74	1,610 19 11	171	1,700 1 11	31	587 19 10	2,728 2 0
Portland ..	1st Dec. 1865	14	5	1	18	321 0 7	24	178 16 11	2	19 14 11	480 2 7
Prabran ..	4th June 1866	490	209	134	565	3,804 9 10	1,864	3,235 6 10	443	2,727 13 2	4,312 3 6
Queenscliff ..	12th July 1866	114	9	9	114	545 14 4	140	392 2 5	24	184 16 7	753 0 2
Richmond ..	1st Oct. 1867	178	244	76	346	1,390 18 8	1,475	4,177 2 0	343	2,510 5 6	3,057 15 2
Rokewood ..	15th April 1867	185	18	15	128	2,843 17 10	98	1,960 10 1	78	1,025 3 5	3,079 4 6
Rosedale ..	16th April 1868	47	12	2	57	321 18 8	180	333 0 1	10	63 7 9	001 5 7
Rushworth ..	13th Nov. 1866	83	25	17	91	2,034 14 8	534	2,227 16 7	74	1,531 11 7	2,780 19 10
Rutherglen ..	1st Dec. 1865	80	14	6	39	169 12 5	69	548 2 1	29	247 15 11	459 18 7
St. Arnaud ..	1st Nov. 1867	46	12	7	51	531 18 10	113	319 2 6	33	425 11 7	424 19 9
St. Kilda ..	4th June 1866	196	124	35	285	1,359 13 4	685	2,076 0 2	176	1,363 19 8	2,071 13 10
Sale ..	6th Nov. 1865	144	55	28	171	1,470 10 7	283	1,036 3 6	81	1,217 7 10	1,295 6 3
Sandhurst ..	11th Sept. 1865	582	266	189	650	5,713 6 10	1,367	5,327 18 1	625	6,121 5 4	7,019 19 7
Sandridge ..	6th Nov. 1865	179	98	44	233	907 12 11	716	1,400 1 4	180	916 16 9	1,3

RETURN showing the Names of Places where Post Office Savings Banks have been Opened, &c.—
continued.

Name of Post Office Savings Bank.	Date when Established.	Number of Accounts Open at close of 1870.	Number of Accounts Opened in 1871.	Number of Accounts Closed in 1871.	Number of Accounts Open at close of 1871.	Balances on 31st Dec. 1870.	Deposits received. in 1871, including interest.		Withdrawals paid in 1871.		Balances remaining at close of 1871.
							No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	
						£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
South Yarra ..	1st Jan. 1867	177	78	54	201	1,712 19 7	637	1,032 3 7	164	658 13 6	2,086 9 8
Stawell ..	1st Dec. 1867	111	79	27	163	1,556 3 7	368	1,634 14 9	82	908 13 10	2,282 4 6
Steiglitz ..	1st Jan. 1870	13	15	3	25	131 4 8	101	1,118 13 1	8	163 8 2	1,085 9 7
Stuartmill ..	1st April 1870	9	7	4	12	49 11 7	29	101 2 1	13	101 4 2	49 9 6
Sunbury ..	2nd May 1870	30	11	1	40	186 9 7	57	222 5 4	10	106 8 0	252 6 11
Swan Hill ..	1st Dec. 1865	34	9	6	37	432 6 7	79	322 19 6	7	194 17 10	560 8 3
Talbot ..	6th Nov. 1865	158	62	43	177	1,857 10 1	380	1,824 10 4	145	1,366 11 6	2,315 8 11
Taradale ..	1st Nov. 1869	51	26	12	65	287 11 2	575	351 9 2	45	245 10 10	398 9 6
Tarnagulla ..	6th Nov. 1868	46	12	8	50	276 0 8	110	287 17 5	25	165 18 0	398 0 1
Toorak ..	17th Jan. 1870	29	22	7	44	203 2 9	292	152 14 3	22	91 14 2	264 2 10
Vaughan ..	17th Jan. 1870	16	23	6	33	206 0 1	67	517 5 3	22	335 0 3	388 5 1
Walhalla ..	1st Feb. 1871		44	5	39		160	850 8 6	13	232 18 1	617 15 5
Wangaratta ..	1st Feb. 1866	106	57	23	140	487 11 2	290	909 17 1	61	504 12 2	892 16 1
Warrnambool ..	1st Dec. 1865	52	30	21	61	581 12 0	147	876 9 7	53	560 2 5	888 19 2
Whroo ..	1st Feb. 1868	45	11	5	51	282 4 6	98	339 4 2	25	134 2 5	487 6 3
Williamstown ..	11th Sept. 1865	664	183	118	729	10,019 17 2	1,500	8,316 3 0	477	6,020 7 4	12,315 12 10
Winchelsea ..	9th May 1870	25	16	1	40	198 7 8	57	749 2 0	23	256 11 3	690 18 5
Woodonga ..	1st Feb. 1871		13	4	9		27	197 11 1	7	78 1 7	119 9 6
Woodend ..	1st Nov. 1869	51	21	12	60	411 14 2	600	841 15 2	55	296 7 4	957 2 0
Wood's Point ..	1st Jan. 1869	71	33	16	88	1,119 10 6	181	988 11 9	79	1,148 11 11	950 10 4
Yackandandah ..	1st Jan. 1866	76	9	14	71	784 18 6	104	518 5 7	38	520 1 4	733 2 9
		13,433	5,618	3,255	15,796	146,386 2 10	41,577	150,306 9 3	11,682	109,246 15 1	187,445 17 0
Melbourne ..	11th Sept. 1865	7,744	3,246	1,982	9,008	133,164 1 6	22,116	153,540 10 2	10,531	120,625 3 10	166,079 7 10
Totals ..		21,177	8,864	5,237	24,804	279,550 4 4	63,693	303,846 19 5	22,213	229,871 18 11	353,525 4 10

PROGRESSIVE STATEMENT of the Money Order System in Victoria for the Decennial Period from 31st December 1861 to 31st December 1871.

Year.	Number of Money Order Offices.	Net Revenue received from Commission on Orders.	Orders Issued.		Orders Paid.		Total Transactions.	
			Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
1862	57	1,338 19 2	23,600	93,752 11 9	16,661	62,181 14 6	40,261	155,934 6 3
1863	76	1,977 15 2	31,262	123,838 17 4	26,799	106,629 16 0	58,061	230,468 13 4
1864	88	2,199 16 5	39,026	148,283 13 5	32,341	124,153 0 4	71,367	272,436 13 9
1865	102	2,640 16 6	50,666	186,855 8 5	41,115	153,657 8 1	91,781	340,512 16 6
1866	107	2,888 11 2	60,119	218,850 16 5	50,479	189,261 8 2	110,598	408,112 4 7
1867	141	3,159 7 6	68,714	237,317 9 7	57,787	205,622 18 6	126,501	443,840 8 1
1868	154	3,278 0 10	73,222	247,484 0 7	61,656	214,025 15 4	134,878	461,509 15 11
1869	181	3,593 11 5	82,234	272,531 9 1	69,657	237,844 1 10	151,891	510,375 10 11
1870	195	3,883 1 11	91,002	291,626 3 5	79,191	261,871 15 0	170,193	553,497 18 5
1871	207	4,159 0 8	100,908	313,223 13 3	90,182	290,066 0 5	191,090	603,289 13 8

PROGRESSIVE STATEMENT of the Post Office Savings Banks in Victoria from the commencement of the system, 11th September 1865, to the 31st December 1871.

Year.	No of Banks.	Deposits Received.		Repayments.		Interest credited to Depositors.	Depositors' Balances.	Depositors' Account.			Average Balance to each Account.
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.			Accounts Opened.	Accounts Closed.	Accounts remaining Open.	
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.				£ s. d.
1865	31	4,964	18,465 6 6	495	3,058 7 9	61 0 9	15,467 19 6	2,227	101	2,126	7 5 6
1866	50	25,909	85,381 15 7	6,204	43,348 4 11	1,189 0 9	58,690 10 11	5,708	1,055	6,774	8 13 3
1867	66	37,624	124,633 5 0	10,657	83,006 10 0	2,758 4 3	103,075 10 2	6,175	1,831	11,118	9 5 5
1868	72	45,408	184,115 4 6	14,293	125,565 10 7	4,435 19 3	166,061 3 4	6,540	3,302	14,356	11 11 4
1869	99	51,528	232,412 14 0	16,435	163,267 4 0	7,272 2 2	243,478 15 6	7,501	3,991	17,866	13 12 6 1/2
1870	112	57,241	242,192 3 6	20,622	215,603 4 2	9,482 9 6	279,550 4 4	7,973	4,662	21,177	13 4 0
1871	122	63,693	292,679 17 3	22,213	229,871 18 11	11,167 2 2	353,525 4 10	8,864	5,237	24,804	14 5 0 1/2

POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANK.

THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL in account with the Depositors from 1st January to 31st December 1871.
Dr. *Cr.*

1871.		£ s. d.	1871.		£ s. d.
January to December	To Balance from 1870 ..	279,550 4 4	January to December	By Repayments to Depositors in 1871 ..	229,871 18 11
	„ Deposits received in 1871 ..	292,679 17 3		„ Balance due to Depositors...	353,525 4 10
	„ Interest due to Depositors for 1871 ..	11,167 2 2			
		583,397 3 9			583,397 3 9

THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL in account with The Honorable the Treasurer on account of Savings Bank
Transactions for the Year 1871.

Dr.			Cr.		
1871.		£ s. d.	1871.		£ s. d.
January to December	To Balance, being Deposits received in 1870 and paid into Treasury in January 1871	7,491 18 6	January to December	By Balance, being amount due by Treasury for repayment to Depositors during 1870	2,841 3 2
	„ Deposits received during 1871	292,679 17 3		„ Repayment to Depositors in 1871	229,871 18 11
	„ Cash received from Treasury 239,091 6 3			„ Cash paid into the Treasury Amount due to Trust Fund for Interest credited to Depositors in 1871 ...	299,363 10 3
	„ Interest allowed to Depositors for 1871	11,167 2 2		„ Cash in hand awaiting lodgment in Treasury ...	11,167 2 2
	„ Balance due from Treasury to replace money drawn from Money Order Account to repay Depositors	3,104 5 4			10,290 15 0
		553,534 9 6			553,534 9 6

CHANGES IN AND PRESENT STRENGTH OF THE STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT.

The Telegraph station at Mount Gambier was closed on the 31st October, and the Victorian officers were transferred to other stations, an agreement having been entered into with the South Australian Government to conduct the business for this colony in consideration of a contribution towards the maintenance of the Telegraph station at Mount Gambier of £300 per annum.

The augmentation of the business of the Department and the extension of the facilities for postal and telegraphic communication have rendered necessary the employment of additional letter carriers and Telegraph messengers.

Within the year nine officers resigned their appointments, two officers retired from ill health, one officer was transferred to another department, the services of one officer was dispensed with, and six officers were dismissed.

The two following statements show the number of officers and others employed in the Post and Telegraph Department, and of those absent on account of sickness, during 1871 :—

STATEMENT showing the Number of Officers, &c., employed in the Post and Telegraph Department in 1871.

Office.	Postmasters and Telegraph Managers.	Officers, Clerks, and Operators.	Sorters.	Instrument Fitters.	Mall Guards and Letter Carriers and Stampers.	Line Repairers and Signallers.	Printers' Assistants.	Mall Master and Postmen.	Office Keepers and Messengers.	Gas Engineer, Carpenters, Night Watchman, and Constable.	Supernumeraries.	Total.	Remarks.
Melbourne P.O. ...	...	98	17	...	92	...	7	5	4	7	33	263	20 Supernumeraries employed on arrival of European mail.
Melbourne E.T.O. ...	2	30	...	4	...	4	...	...	30	...	...	70	
Ararat ...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	4	
Avoca ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Bairnsdale ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Ballarat P.O. ...	1	5	1	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	12 Supernumeraries employed on arrival of English mail.
Ballarat E.T.O. ...	1	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	7	...	...	13	
Beaufort ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Beechworth ...	1	1	1	...	2	1	...	...	2	...	...	8	
Belfast ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	4	
Benalla ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Bright ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Brighton ...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Buninyong ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Camperdown ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Cape Schanck ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Cape Otway ...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Carisbrook ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Casterton ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Castlemaine P.O. ...	1	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	
Castlemaine E.T.O. ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	5	
Chiltern ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Clunes ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	4	

STATEMENT showing the Number of Officers, &c., employed in the Post and Telegraph Department in 1871
—continued.

Office.	Postmasters and Telegraph Managers.	Officers, Clerks, and Operators.	Sorters.	Instrument Fitters.	Mail Guards and Letter Carriers and Stampers.	Line Repairers and Signalmen.	Printers' Assistants.	Mail Master and Boatmen.	Office Keepers and Messengers.	Gas Engineer, Car- penters, Night Watch- man, and Constables.	Supernumeraries.	Total.	Remarks.
Colac ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Coleraine ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Collingwood ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	4	
Creswick ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Daylesford ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	5	
Dunolly ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	
Eaglehawk ...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	3	* Postmistress, paid out of allowances to country postmasters.
Echuca ...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	5	
Eldorado ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Flinders ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	* Assistant Operator acting as Telegraph Mana- ger.
Geelong ...	1	7	1	...	9	1	...	...	4	...	...	23	4 Supernumeraries employed on the arrival of the English mail.
Hamilton ...	1	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	1	...	...	5	
Heathcote ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Hexham ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	
Inglewood ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	} * Assistant Operators acting as Postmasters and Telegraph Managers.
Jamieson ...	...	1*	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Kerang ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	2	Acting Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Kilmore ...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	3	
Kyneton ...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	4	
Linton ...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	* Postmistress, paid out of allowances to country postmasters.
Longwood ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Majorca ...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	* Postmistress, paid out of allowances to country postmasters.
Maldon ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Malmesbury ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Mansfield ...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Maryborough ...	1	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	5	
Mornington ...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	* Postmistress, paid out of allowances to country postmasters.
Mortlake ...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Mount Gambier ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	This station was discontinued on the 31st Octo- ber 1871, and an allowance on account of the business of this colony is paid to the Govern- ment of South Australia.
Newstead ...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	* Postmistress, paid out of allowances to country postmasters.
Penshurst ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Port Albert ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Portland ...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	4	
Queenscliff ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	3	
Richmond ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Rosedale ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Rutherglen ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Sale ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	4	
Sandhurst ...	1	2	2	...	6	1	...	...	7	...	...	19	4 Supernumeraries occasionally employed.
Sandridge ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Sebastopol ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Seymour ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Smythesdale ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
St. Arnaud ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
St. Kilda ...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	* Postmistress, paid out of allowances to country postmasters.
Shady Creek ...	...	...	...	...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	1	* Acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Stawell ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	4	
Stuartmill ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Streatham ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	} * Assistant Operators acting as Postmasters and Telegraph Managers.
Swan Hill ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Talbot ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Taradale ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Tarnagulla ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Wahgunyah ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Walhalla ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Wangaratta ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	
Warrnambool ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	5	
Williamstown ...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	5	1 Supernumerary occasionally employed.
Wodonga ...	...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	* Assistant Operator acting as Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.
Woodend ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	Railway Telegraph Station.
Wood's Point ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Yackandandah ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
	60	167	25	4	150	19	7	5	125	7	41†	610	

† These persons are employed a portion only of each month.

RETURN of Officers, &c., of the Melbourne Establishment, Absent from Duty on account of Illness, during 1871.

Branch.	Number of Officers, &c., Employed.		Number of Days Absent.	Remarks.
	Number Employed.	Number Absent.		
Correspondence branch	8	3	48	One officer absent during 39 days.
Accounts branch	9	4	25	
Mail branch	63	40	264	One officer absent 66 days, one 22 days, one 21 days, and five 56 days, showing eight officers absent during 165 days.
Dead Letter branch	4	1	3	
Stores and Printing	27	10	130	One officer absent 53 days, one 19 days, and three 41 days, showing five officers absent during 113 days.
Money Order and Savings Banks ...	16	9	90	One officer absent 34 days, one 19 days, and two 24 days, showing four absent during 77 days.
Stamp branch	4	1	14	
Electric Telegraph branch ...	40	15	58	Three officers absent during 33 days.

Out of ten mail guards, three were absent from sickness during 18 days.
 Out of forty-three letter carriers, twenty-six were absent during 229 days. Of this number, one was absent 33 days, one 28 days, one 24 days, and four 72 days, showing seven letter carriers absent during 157 days.
 Out of thirty-two Telegraph messengers, 19 were absent during 147 days, four of whom were absent during 116 days.

STATEMENT of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1871.

1871.—REVENUE.	£	s.	d.	1871.—EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Revenue, including postage, fees on registered letters, commission on money orders, commission allowed to licensed vendors, also collections on account of other Governments	129,991	8	3	Salaries and wages, occasional assistance, and overtime	113,018	19	7
Electric Telegraph collections, including amount collected on account of other colonies, and the Submarine Cable Company	36,941	17	1	Contingencies	15,518	2	10
Deficit	98,192	1	1	Commission to licensed vendors of postage stamps	1,389	13	4
				Mail service inland, including landing and shipping mails	83,391	3	0
				Gratuities to masters of vessels	1,643	18	10
				Estimated amount of postal collections on account of other Governments ...	2,763	12	2
				*Steam postal communication with Great Britain	44,415	5	2
				Electric Telegraph collections on account of other colonies ... £2,091			
				Submarine Cable Company 892			
					2,984	11	6
	265,125	6	5		265,125	6	5

* See folio 12.

In the foregoing account credit is not taken for the very large amount of work done for the Government service generally through the Post Office and the Electric Telegraph wires. This amounts to a considerable sum, and would, if taken into account, materially alter the features of the case. It is known that the cost of telegraphic messages transmitted during 1871 amounted, at ordinary rates, to £5247, and, judging from the issues of postage stamps to the Government Departments before the introduction of the frank stamp in 1864, £25,000 would be a very reasonable estimate of the value of the business transacted through the Post Office during the past year, which does not appear in the above account.

It should also be borne in mind that the Steam Postal Service with England was carried on at a loss, during 1871, of £25,036 7s. 10d., that expensive Postal services are maintained throughout the colony, that additional facilities on existing Mail lines are not unfrequently granted, that there is a daily increasing demand for Postal communication to meet the requirements of extended settlement in the country districts, and that, in many cases, the service is rendered without any immediate prospect of a remunerative return.

Considering the large deficit that at present exists, it does not appear to be a favorable time for suggesting any measure that would directly increase the cost of the working staff; but it is nevertheless highly desirable that steps should be taken as soon as possible to have a double staff employed in the Mail branch of the General Post Office. This would admit of an earlier attendance of the officers in the morning to sort the Mails received during the night, so that the up-country correspondence, a portion of which now lies in the General Post Office until the midday mails are despatched, could

be forwarded by early morning trains to destination, and with this additional assistance the English Mail would be disposed of much sooner than at present, especially the newspaper portion.

A double staff would also place the officers of the Mail branch on the same footing with respect to the number of hours of attendance as the officers in the other departments of the Government service, except upon extraordinary occasions, and would enable them to have a half-holiday every other Saturday, and thus remove one great cause of dissatisfaction that at present exists.

Such a change as that indicated could be effected at an additional outlay of say £1200 per annum, and would afford an opportunity for introducing the practice, lately followed with advantage in the London Office, of employing lads as sorters, which it is believed might be adopted with success as a measure of economy in this Department.

The officers of the Department have, as a rule, discharged their various duties in a satisfactory manner.

(Signed)

W. TURNER,
Deputy Postmaster-General.

General Post Office,
31st March 1872.

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX A.

POST OFFICE BRANCH.

STATEMENT showing particulars of Inland Mail Service performed in Victoria during the Year 1871.

Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from Keilor Road Railway Station and Bacchus Marsh, by way of Melton	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	63		51,168
to and from Bacchus Marsh and Ballarat, by way of Pentland Hills, Ballan, Gordon's, Mount Egerton, Moorabool Creek, and Dunnstown	Six days a week ...	Coach ...			
to and from Melbourne and Eltham ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	14		8,736
to and from Eltham and Wood's Point, by way of Kangaroo Ground, Yarra Flats, Healesville, Fernshawe, Marysville, and Matlock	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	109		34,008
to and from Kangaroo Ground and St. Andrew's	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	15		4,680
to and from Melbourne and Sale, by way of Oakleigh, Springvale, Dandenong, Berwick, Pakenham, Shady Creek, Moe, Morwell, Traralgon, and Rosedale	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	140		87,360
to and from Shady Creek and Walhalla, by way of Tangil, Cooper's Creek, and Happy-go-Lucky	Three days a week ...	Horseback	35		10,920
to and from Tangil and Russell's Creek ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	6		624
to and from Shady Creek and Cross-over Diggings	Two days a week ...	Horseback	12		2,496
to and from Oakleigh and Mulgrave ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	6		1,872
to and from Rosedale and Walhalla, by way of Toongabbie and Happy-go Lucky	Three days a week ...	Horseback	35		10,920
to and from Sale and Bairnsdale, by way of Stratford (Telegraph line)	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	52		16,224
with a branch mail to and from Fernbank ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback			
to and from Melbourne and Beechworth, by way of Campbellfield, Somerton, Donnybrook, Beveridge, Wallan-wallan, Kilmore, Broadford, Tallarook, Seymour, Avenel, Longwood, Euroa, Violettown, Benalla, Winton, Glenrowan, Wangaratta, and Tarrawingee	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	185		115,440
also the conveyance of a mail from Melbourne to Kilmore	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	...		23,088
to and from Wangaratta and Albury, by way of Docker's Plains, Bouterambo, Chiltern, Barnawartha, and Wodonga	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	45		28,080
to and from Bouterambo and Wahgunyah, by way of Rutherglen	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	18		11,232
to and from Beechworth and Yackandandah ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15		9,360
to and from Yackandandah and Albury, by way of Osborne's Flat, Kiewa, and Wodonga	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	30		9,360
to and from Wodonga and Juniong, by way of Tangambalanga, Bungoonie, Mitta-mitta Crossing, Toolangatta, Bungil, Thologolong, Burrowye, Jingellac, Walwa, Tintaldra, Cudgewa, Colac-colac, and Gravel Plains	Once a week ...	Horseback	105		10,920
to and from Beechworth and Wahgunyah, by way of Chiltern, Indigo, and Rutherglen	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	33		20,592
to and from Beechworth and Growler's Creek, by way of Murmungee, Taylor's Gap, Myrtleford, Black Springs, Pore Punka, and Bright	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	45		28,080
to and from Pore Punka and Buckland ...	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	18		5,616
to and from Murmungee and Bowman's Forest ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	6		1,872
to and from Black Springs and Running Creek ² ...	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	10		3,120
to and from Longwood and Jamieson, by way of Merton, Doon, Maindample, and Mansfield ³	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	75		46,800
to and from Jamieson and Matlock, by way of Mack's Creek, Ten-mile House, Gaffney's Creek, Castle Reef and Wood's Point	Three days a week ...	Horseback	39		12,168
to and from Broadford and Alexandra, by way of Reedy Creek, King Parrot Creek, and Yea	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	47		14,664
to and from Runnymede and Murchison, by way of Campaspe and Rushworth	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	46		14,352
to and from Sandhurst and Heathcote, by way of Axedale and Wild-duck Creek Post Office	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	30		9,360
to and from Sandhurst and Swan Hill, by way of Serpentine Creek, Durham Ox, and Kerang ...	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	120		24,960

¹ Distance included in Beechworth service. — ² Via Myrtleford from 16th March 1871. — ³ The Jamieson mails were conveyed three days a week via Healesville, and three days a week via Mansfield from 1st April, in lieu of daily by Mansfield.

STATEMENT showing Particulars of Inland Mail Service performed in Victoria, 1871—continued.

Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Swan Hill and Euston, by way of Pyangil, Narung, and Wyrllong	Once a week ...	Coach ...	80		8,320
to and from Euston and Wentworth, by way of Tarpallen, Mildura, and the Mission Station	Once a week ...	Coach ...	60		6,240
to and from Sandhurst and Wedderburne, by way of Marong, Bridgewater (on Loddon), Inglewood, and Old Inglewood	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	48		29,952
to and from Inglewood and Wehla, by way of Kingower, Berlin, and Lingham's Flat	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15		9,360
to and from Burke's Flat and Wehla ...	Three days a week	Horseback	5		1,560
to and from Marong and Bullock Creek ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2		1,248
To and from Wedderburn and Yowen Hill Post Office	Two days a week ...	Horseback	20		4,160
to and from Yowen Hill Post Office and Towninnie, by way of Glenloth and Wycheproof ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	30		8,120
to and from Castlemaine and Maldon, by way of Muckleford	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	80		24,960
to and from Maldon and Maryborough, by way of Baringup and Carisbrook	Six days a week ...	Coach ...			
to and from Maldon and Dunolly, by way of Eddington and Burnt Creek	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	22		13,728
to and from Castlemaine and Creswick, by way of Green Gully, Newstead, Sandon, Glengower, Mocrookyle, Smeaton, and Kingston	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	45		28,080
to and from Castlemaine and Daylesford, by way of Yapeen, Guildford, Yandoit, Franklinford, Shepherd's Flat, and Hepburn	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	18		11,232
to and from Hepburn and Dry Diggings ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3		1,872
to and from Malmesbury and Daylesford, by way of Drummond and Glenlyon	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	22		27,456
to and from Kyneton and Heathcote, by way of Langley, Barfold, Redesdale Post Office, and Mia-mia	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	30		18,720
to and from Tylden and Spring Hill ...	Three days a week	Horseback	3		936
to and from Mount Blackwood and Barry's Reef	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	4		4,992
to and from Mount Blackwood and Ballan, by way of Greendale	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	20		12,480
to and from Dunolly and St. Arnaud, by way of Goldsborough Reef, Bealiba, and Peter's	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	40		24,960
to and from St. Arnaud and Morton Plains, by way of Donald and Mount Jeffcott	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	40		8,320
to and from St. Arnaud and Yowen Hill Post Office, by way of Yowong Springs	Two days a week ...	Horseback	30		6,240
to and from Dunolly and New Inglewood, by way of Jones' Creek, Tarnagulla, and Maidentown	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	22		13,728
to and from Maryborough and Ararat, by way of Adelaide Lead, Bung-bong, Avoca, Amphitheatre, Elmhurst, Eversley, and Crowlands	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	56		34,944
to and from Eversley and Mount Cole ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6		1,248
to and from Avoca and Stawell, by way of Moonambel, Landsborough, and Green's Creek	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	55		34,320
to and from Moonambel and Navarre, by way of Barkly and Canterbury	Three days a week	Coach ...	20		6,240
to and from Moonambel and St. Arnaud, by way of Redbank, Hinds, and Stuartmill	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	34		21,216
to and from Stawell West and Ballarat, by way of Stawell, Great Western, Armstrong's, Ararat, Dobie's Bridge, Buangor, Shirley, Beaufort, Trawalla, Burrumbeet, Windermere, and Cardigan	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	78		48,672
to and from Stawell and Horsham, by way of Stawell West, Deep Lead, Ledcourt, and Boga Lakes	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	40		24,960
to and from Horsham and Lake Hindmarsh, by way of Dimboola	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	50		10,400
to and from Lake Hindmarsh and Nypö ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	30		3,120
to and from Dimboola and Lawloit, by way of Lochiel, Glenlee, Nhill, and Mount Elgin	Two days a week ...	Horseback	35		7,280
to and from Lawloit and Lockhart, by way of Yannock, Bullarook, Bunyip, Yarrock, and Cove	Once a week ...	Horseback	52		5,408
to and from Horsham and Werracknebeal, by way of Sheep Hill Station and Kewell	Two days a week ...	Horseback	40		8,320
to and from Werracknebeal and Lake Corong ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	25		2,600
to and from Ballarat and Maryborough, by way of Mount Rowan, Sulky Gully, Creswick, Glendonald, Clunes, Dunach (Mount Greenock South), Talbot, and Amherst; and from Maryborough to Dunolly	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	48		41,184
	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	18		

See preceding page.

STATEMENT showing Particulars of Inland Mail Service performed in Victoria, 1871—continued.

Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Talbot and Avoca, by way of Amherst	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15		9,360
to and from Talbot and Majorca, by way of Cockatoo	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	4		2,496
to and from Ballarat and Clunes, by way of Miners-rest, Mount Blowhard, and Ascot	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	20		12,480
to and from Ballarat and Daylesford, by way of Mount Rowan, Sulky Gully, Creswick, Newlyn, Mount Prospect, and Deep Creek	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	28		17,472
to and from Ballarat and Avoca, by way of Lake Learmonth, Mount Bolton, Springs, Lexton, and Lamplough	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	50		31,200
to and from Ballarat and Linton's, by way of Smythesdale and Scarsdale	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	21		26,208
to and from Linton's and Hamilton, by way of Skipton, Streatham, Lake Bolac, Wickliffe, Glen Thompson, Strathmore, and Dunkeld	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	94		58,656
to and from Hamilton and Portland, by way of Braxholme, Condah, and Heywood	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	56		34,944
to and from Hamilton and Apsley, by way of Cavendish, Balmoral, Harrow, and Edenhope	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	98		20,384
to and from Hamilton and Casterton, by way of Wannon and Coleraine	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	45		28,080
to and from Casterton and Penola	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	35		10,920
to and from Casterton and Lindsay	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	30		9,360
to and from Coleraine and Merino, by way of Tahara	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	12		3,744
to and from Coleraine and Harrow, by way of Narreene	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	35		7,280
to and from Casterton and Portland, by way of Sandford, Merino, Digby, Hotspur, and Heywood	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	60		18,720
to and from Portland and Belfast, by way of Narrawong and Yambuk	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	45		9,360
to and from Belfast and Hamilton, by way of Orford, Macarthur, and Byaduk	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	55		11,440
to and from Belfast and Wickliffe, by way of Koroit, Woolsthorpe, Caramut, and Chatsworth	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	60		12,480
to and from Koroit and Warrnambool, by way of Dennington	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	6		1,248
to and from Wickliffe and Ararat, by way of Kiora	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	32		9,984
to and from Geelong and Warrnambool, by way of Murgheboluc, Inverleigh, Cressy, Lismore, Tooliorook, Darlington, Mortlake, Ellerslie, Ballangeich, Framlingham, and Woodford	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	130		27,040
to and from Woodford and Winslow	Two days a week ...	Horseback	12		2,496
to and from Woodford and Yangery	Two days a week ...	Horseback			
to and from Geelong and Belfast, by way of Pet-tavel, Clifford, Mount Moriac, Winchelsea, Gellibrand, Colac, Larpent, Pomborneit, Camperdown, Terang, Panmure, Allansford, Warrnambool, Dennington, and Killarney	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	136		84,864
to and from Winchelsea and Wordieboluc	Two days a week ...	Horseback	7		1,456
to and from Mount Gellibrand and Birregurra	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4		2,496
to and from Birregurra and Dean's Marsh, with a branch mail to and from Murroon	Two days a week ...	Horseback	10		2,080
to and from Killarney and Crossley	Once a week ...	Horseback			
to and from Crossley and Koroit	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3		1,872
to and from Terang and Hamilton, by way of Mortlake, Hexham, Caramut, Penshurst, Croxton East, and Hochkirch	Four days a week ...	Horseback	3		1,248
to and from Leigh Road Railway Station and Rokewood, by way of Teesdale and Shelford	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	73		22,776
to and from Rokewood and Smythesdale, by way of Rokewood Junction, Bulldog Flat, Cape Clear, and Scarsdale	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	30		9,360
to and from Rokewood and Mount Mercer	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	18		11,232
to and from Rokewood and Break-o'-day	Three days a week ...	Horseback	5		1,560
to and from Break-o'-day and Dereel	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Cape Clear and Pitfield	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4		832
to and from Geelong and Queenscliff, by way of Moolap and Kensington	Three days a week ...	Horseback	3		936
To and from the Post Office and Landing-places, Queenscliff, whenever required; also the conveyance of the English Mails	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	19		11,856
and special mail conveyance between Geelong and Queenscliff	Every four weeks ...			65 0 0	494
To and from Rosedale and Port Albert, by way of Tarraville and Woodside	Twenty-five trips ...			37 10 0	475
	Three days a week	Horseback	45	195 0 0	14,040

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.			Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£	s.	d.	
To and from Matlock and Donnelly's Creek, by way of Jordan, Red Jacket, and Violettown	Two days a week ...	Horseback	30	149	0	0	6,240
To and from Donnelly's Creek and Walhalla, by way of Edward's Reef	Three days a week	Horseback	23	169	0	0	7,176
To and from Sale and Port Albert, by way of La Trobe Bridge, Woodside, and Tarraville	Once a week ...	Horseback	50	58	0	0	5,200
To and from Stratford and Bulltown, by way of Iguana Creek, Dargo Flat, Grant, and Talbotville	Two days a week ...	Horseback	94	440	0	0	19,552
and to and from Iguana Creek and Bairnsdale, by way of Coongulmerang	Two days a week ...	Horseback					
To and from Bairnsdale and Omeo, by way of Bruthen and Ensay	Once a week ...	Horseback	70	595	0	0	7,280
to and from Omeo and Swift's Creek ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	18				1,872
to and from Bairnsdale and Delegate, by way of Bruthen, Buchan, Gelantipy, Deduc, Tibbutt, Cobanandra, Bonang, and Bendoc	Once a week ...	Horseback	130				13,520
to and from Omeo and Snowy Creek, by way of Wombat and Merrimac	Once a week ...	Horseback	27				2,808
To and from Bright and Harrierville ...	Three days a week	Horseback	20	95	0	0	6,240
To and from Harrierville and Grant, by way of the Upper Dargo and Verdon	Once a week ...	Horseback	45	154	0	0	4,680
To and from Benalla and Cobram, by way of Major-Yabba and Katandra	Once a week ...	Horseback	50	52	0	0	5,200
To and from Benalla and Shepparton ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	40	52	0	0	4,160
To and from Doon and Dry Creek ...	Twice a week ...	Horseback	7	23	0	0	1,456
To and from Yea and Ghin-ghin ...	Three days a week	Horseback	7	80	0	0	2,184
To and from Rushworth and Coy's Diggings, by way of Whroo	Three days a week	Coach ...	10	70	0	0	3,120
To and from Kyneton and Mount Blackwood, by way of Tylden, Trentham, and Newbury	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	22	395	0	0	13,728
To and from Stawell and Longerenong, by way of Stawell West, Glenorchy, and Ashens	Three days a week	Coach ...	24	195	0	0	7,488
To and from Glenorchy and Donald, by way of Ayer's, Anderson's, Creswick's Stations, and Avon Plains Post Office McLachlan Lakes (Stratford's)	Two days a week ...	Horseback	65	150	0	0	13,520
For the conveyance of all mails between the General Post Office and the wharfs at Melbourne and Sandridge, inclusive of the transport of the English mails	...	Carts and waggons	21*	540	0	0	6,552
from Melbourne to Sandridge, by way of Emerald Hill	Three times a day ...	Horseback and car					
from Sandridge to Melbourne, by way of Emerald Hill, including the conveyance of five letter-carriers to and from Sandridge, Emerald Hill, and Melbourne	Four times a day ...						
To and from the General Post Office and Spencer street Railway Station, including the conveyance of mail-guard or letter-carrier	As often as required	American waggon	8*	570	0	0	2,496
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in the city of Melbourne, and that on Wellington parade, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Five times a day ...	Tilbury ...	40*				12,480
From Melbourne to Prahran, by way of South Yarra	Twice a day ...	Car ...	24*	126	0	0	7,488
from Prahran to Melbourne, by way of South Yarra, including the conveyance of six letter-carriers from and to Prahran and Melbourne	Four times a day ...						
For the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Carlton and Hotham, now established, or any that may be opened in the course of the year, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Once a day ...	Tilbury ...	20*				6,240
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Fitzroy and Collingwood, now established, or any that may be opened in the course of the year, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Three times a day ...			Tilbury ...	40*		
for the conveyance of six letter-carriers from the General Post Office to Hotham and Carlton also the conveyance of mails to and from the General Post Office and Hotham and Carlton	Once a day ...	Waggonette	16*	See next page.			4,992
for the conveyance of seven letter-carriers from the General Post Office to Fitzroy and Collingwood also for the conveyance of mails to and from the General Post Office and Fitzroy and Collingwood	Twice a day ...	Tilbury ...					
also for the conveyance of an extra mail from the Post Office, Collingwood, to the General Post Office, on the despatch of an English mail	Once a day ...	Waggonette	12*				3,744
	Twice a day ...	Tilbury ...					

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Melbourne and Dromana, by way of Cheltenham, Mordialloc, Frankston, and Mornington	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	50	5,900 0 0	31,200
to and from Yackandandah and Snowy Creek, by way of Sandy Creek and Mitta-mitta	Once a week ...	Horseback	67		6,968
to and from Beechworth and Hillsborough, by way of Stanley	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	14		8,736
to and from Sutton and Yackandandah, by way of Hillsborough and Twist's Creek	Three days a week	Coach ...	10		3,120
to and from Beechworth and Wangaratta, by way of Reid's Creek, Woolshed, Reidford, and Eldorado	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	30		18,720
to and from Chiltern and Howlong, N. S. Wales, by way of Brown's Plains	Three days a week	Coach ...	20		6,240
to and from Jamieson and Darlingford ¹ ...	Three days a week	Horseback	18		1,404
to and from Darlingford and Alexandra ¹ ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	23		598
to and from Merton ¹ and Godfrey's Creek ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Godfrey's Creek and Alexandra ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	18		11,232
to and from Gaffney's Creek and Enoch's Point ...	Three days a week	Horseback	10		3,120
to and from Kilmore and Lancefield, by way of Spring Hill	Three days a week	Coach ...	20	}	7,488
with a branch mail to and from Goldie ...	Three days a week	Horseback	4		
to and from Kilmore and Heathcote, by way of Pyalong	Three days a week	Coach ...	30		9,360
to and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Echuca	Twice a day ...	Car ...	1		1,248
to and from Sandhurst and Huntly, by way of the White Hills and Epsom	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	6		3,744
to and from Sandhurst and Eaglehawk, by way of Long Gully and California Gully	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	5		3,120
to and from Sandhurst and Raywood, by way of Long Gully, California Gully, Eaglehawk, Myer's Flat, and Whipstick	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	22		13,728
to and from Sandhurst and Strathfieldsaye ...	Three days a week	Horseback	7		2,184
to and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Sandhurst, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	As often as required	Car ...	15*		4,680
for the clearance of the letter and newspaper boxes in Sandhurst, now established, or any that may be opened in the course of the year, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day ...	Tilbury ...	10*		3,120
to and from Sandhurst and Tarnagulla, by way of Golden Square, Kangaroo Flat, Lockwood, Woodstock-on-Loddon, Newbridge, and Maidentown	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	28		17,472
to and from Inglewood and Powlet Plains ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	18		1,872
to and from Sandhurst and Kangaroo Flat, by way of Golden Square	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	4		2,496
to and from Castlemaine and Dunolly, by way of Maldon and Eddington	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	33		20,592
To and from South Yarra and Malvern by way of Toorak	Twice a day ...	Car ...	3	69 0 0	3,744
From Melbourne to Richmond ...	Twice a day ...	Car ...	15*	248 0 0	4,680
and from Richmond to Melbourne ...	Four times a day ...	Car ...			
including the conveyance of four letter-carriers from and to Richmond and Melbourne	Once a day ...	Car ...			
to and from Richmond and Kew, by way of Hawthorn	Twice a day ...	Car ...	2½		3,120
to and from Kew and Ballyshanassy, by way of Camberwell and Hartwell	Six days a week ...	Car ...	5		3,120
From St. Kilda to Melbourne ...	Twice a day ...	Car ...	14*	55 0 0	4,368
and from Melbourne to St. Kilda ...	Once a day ...	Car ...			
including the conveyance of four letter-carriers to and from Melbourne and St. Kilda	Once a day ...	Car ...			
To and from Melbourne and Brunswick ...	Twice a day ...	Car ...	16*	60 0 0	4,992
and to and from Brunswick and Pentridge ...	Once a day ...	Car ...			
To and from the Keilor Road Railway Station and Dounta Galla, <i>via</i> Keilor	Six days a week ...	Car ...	12	164 0 0	7,488
To and from Melbourne and Bulla, by way of Flemington, Moonee Ponds, Essendon, Tullamarine, and Oaklands Junction, with a branch mail to and from Mickleham, by way of Broadmeadows	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	21	110 0 0	13,104
To and from Melbourne and Merriang, by way of Northcote, Preston, Thomastown, Epping, and Woodstock	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	25	270 0 0	15,600
to and from Preston and Glenvale, by way of Bundoora, Janefield, Morang, and Whittlesea	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	20		12,480
to and from Bundoora and Diamond Creek, by way of Greensborough	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	6		3,744

¹ This was discontinued from 1st April, on alteration in route of Jamieson mails.

* Per diem.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from Melbourne and Heidelberg, by way of Alphington	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	8	200 0 0	9,984
to and from Heidelberg and Templestowe ...	Once a day ...	Horseback ...	2		1,248
To and from St. Kilda Railway Station and Mordialloc, by way of Elsternwick, Brighton, Brighton East, Beaumaris, Brighton South, and Cheltenham	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15		9,360
and to and from East Brighton and Jasper road	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½	150 0 0	1,560
To and from St. Kilda and Caulfield ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½	30 0 0	1,560
To and from Footscray Railway Station and Braybrook, by way of Footscray Post Office and Maidstone	Six days a week ...	Horseback	5	30 0 0	3,120
To and from Kew and Warrandyte, by way of Doncaster	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	12	460 0 0	7,488
to and from Kew and Lillydale, by way of Box Hill	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	21		13,104
to and from Lillydale and Hoddle's Creek, <i>via</i> Launching place	Once a week ...	Horseback	35		3,640
To and from Dandenong and Cranbourne, by way of Lyndhurst	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	9	70 0 0	5,616
To and from Cranbourne and the Clyde ...	Three days a week	Horseback	5	24 10 0	1,560
To and from Cranbourne and the Bass, by way of Corinella	Two days a week ...	Horseback	50	98 10 0	10,400
To and from Berwick and Narree Warren, by way of Harkaway	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	16 0 0	3,744
To and from Frankston and Hastings, by way of Somerville	Three days a week	Coach ...	15	354 18 0	4,680
to and from Hastings and Balnarring ...	Three days a week	Horseback	12		3,744
to and from Frankston and Cowes (Phillip Island), by way of Sandy Point	Three days a week	Coach & boat	24		7,488
To and from Dromana and Rye (Tootgarook), by way of Bonyony	Three days a week	Horseback	12	46 0 0	2,496
To and from Dromana and Flinders, by way of Cape Schanck	Two days a week ...	Horseback	20	62 0 0	4,160
To and from Port Albert and Yarram-yarram, by way of Alberton	Three days a week	Horseback	8	24 18 0	2,496
For extra mails per steamer between Port Albert and Yarram-yarram, per trip, 5s. ¹		...	...	...	...
To and from Port Albert and Tarraville with steamer's mails	As often as required	Horseback	... ²	18 15 0	812
To and from Sale and Bald Hills, by way of Heyfield, Denison, and Glenmaggie	Two days a week ...	Horseback	50	145 0 0	10,400
To and from Sale and Maffra ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	15	120 0 0	9,360
to and from Maffra and Upper Maffra ...	Three days a week	Horseback	8		2,496
To and from Toongabbie and Cowwarr (Upper Heyfield)	Three days a week	Horseback	10		3,120
To and from Bruthen and Cunningham (Lakes Entrance)	Once a week ...	Horseback	14	24 10 0	1,456
To and from Bairnsdale and Deptford, by way of Boggy Creek	Two days a week ...	Horseback	16	130 0 0	3,328
to and from Boggy Creek and Merrijig ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	16		1,664
To and from Wangaratta and Oxley, by way of Oxley township	Six days a week ...	Horseback	14		8,736
to and from Oxley and Greta, by way of Moyhu Post Office	Three days a week	Horseback	20	120 0 0	6,240
To and from Wangaratta and Estcourt ...	Three days a week	Horseback	8	40 0 0	2,496
To and from Wood's Point and Gooley's Creek ...	Two days a week ..	Horseback	2	19 10 0	416
To and from Seymour and Wahring, by way of Tabilk and Nagambie	Three days a week	Horseback	20	80 0 0	6,240
To and from Wallan-wallan and Darraweit Guim ...	Three days a week	Horseback	6	14 18 0	1,872
To and from Heathcote and Rushworth, by way of Costerfield, Redcastle and Whroo	Three days a week	Coach ...	36	250 0 0	11,232
To and from Heathcote and Spring Creek ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	19	200 0 0	11,856
To and from Echuca and Ulupna, by way of Lower Moira, Kotupna, Karimba, and Ulupna West	Once a week ...	Horseback	62	117 0 0	6,448
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Rochester	Twice a day ...	Car ...	1	55 0 0	1,248
To and from Rochester and Corop ...	Three days a week	Horseback	10	60 0 0	3,120
To and from Goornong Railway Station and Clare Inn, by way of the Goornong Post Office	Six days a week ...	Horseback	8	55 0 0	4,992
To and from Kangaroo Flat Post Office and Railway Station	Twice a day ...	On foot ...	1	22 18 0	1,248
To and from Ravenswood Railway Station and the Big Hill, by way of Old Ravenswood Post Office	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4	19 15 0	2,496
To and from Castlemaine and Harcourt, by way of Barker's Creek	Six days a week ...	Cart ...	6		3,744

¹ Service not rendered.² Distance previously stated, being 57 trips.
* Per diem.

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			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Castlemaine	As often as required	Cart	3*		936
to and from Castlemaine and Golden-Point, by way of Chewton, including the clearance of the letter-boxes at Chewton	Six days a week	Cab	18*		5,616
to and from Castlemaine and Glenluce, by way of Spring Gully and Fryerstown	Six days a week	Horseback	9	649 0 0	5,616
to and from Castlemaine and Vaughan, by way of Campbell's Creek, Yapeen, Strathloddon, Guildford, and Tarilta	Six days a week	Horseback	11		6,864
to and from Newstead and Clydesdale	Six days a week	Horseback	4		2,496
to and from Newstead and Joyce's Creek	Three days a week	Horseback	6		1,872
to and from Newstead and Strangways	Six days a week	Horseback	3		1,872
To and from Muckleford and Walmer	Six days a week	Horseback	3	24 0 0	1,911
To and from Carisbrook and Moolort	Three days a week	Horseback	6	36 0 0	1,872
To and from Elphinstone and Sutton Grange	Three days a week	Horseback	9	48 15 0	2,808
to and from Elphinstone and Faraday	Three days a week	Horseback	4		1,248
To and from Langley and Metcalf, by way of Green Hills	Six days a week	Horseback	7	41 10 0	4,368
To and from Langley and Baynton	Three days a week	Horseback	6	33 18 0	1,872
To and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Kyneton	Six times a day	Car	16*		4,992
and for the clearance of the letter-boxes, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day	Car		65 0 0	3,744
to and from Kyneton and Lauriston	Six days a week	Horseback	6		
To and from Diggersrest and Coimadai Creek, by way of Yangardook	Three days a week	Horseback	10	160 0 0	3,120
To and from Woodend and Carlsruhe, by way of Springfield	Six days a week	Horseback	7	40 0 0	4,368
To and from Lancefield-road Railway Station and North Lancefield, by way of Duck Holes, Romsey, and Lancefield	Six days a week	Coach	15	150 0 0	9,360
to and from Woodend and Lancefield, by way of Newham and Rochford	Six days a week	Coach	15		9,360
To and from Gisborne and Cabbage-tree	Three days a week	Horseback	6	20 0 0	1,872
To and from Gisborne Railway Station and Gisborne, also the conveyance of a mail on Saturday from the Railway Station to Gisborne	Six days a week	Car	2½	20 0 0	1,560
To and from Gisborne and Bullengarook	Three days a week	Horseback	7	23 0 0	2,184
To and from Macedon and Upper Macedon	Six days a week	Horseback	3	39 0 0	1,872
To and from Sunbury and the Gap	Six days a week	Horseback	4	40 0 0	2,496
To and from Horsham and Apsley, by way of Vectis, St. Mary's Lake, Spring Hill, Spring Bank, Pleasant Banks, Rose Banks, Lemon Springs, and Bringalbert	Two days a week	Buggy	81	215 0 0	16,848
To and from Maldon and Newstead, by way of Welshman's Reef	Six days a week	Cart	12	118 0 0	7,488
to and from Maldon and Porcupine Flat	Six days a week	Cart	5		3,120
to and from Maldon and Nuggety Reef	Six days a week	Cart	5		3,120
To and from Dunolly and McIntyre's, by way of Inkerman and Moliagul	Six days a week	Coach	15		9,360
to and from Maryborough and Dunolly, by way of Havelock and the Bet-bet	Six days a week	Coach	15		9,360
to and from Maryborough and Majorca, by way of Mosquito Flat and McCullum's Creek	Six days a week	Coach	8		4,992
to and from Maryborough and Wareek, by way of Chinaman's Flat, Timor, and Alma	Six days a week	Coach	12		7,488
including clearance of letter-box at Chinaman's Flat	Daily				
to and from Avoca and Homebush	Three days a week	Horseback	8		2,496
to and from Avoca and Fiddler's Creek	Six days a week	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Ararat and Moyston, by way of Cathcart	Six days a week	Coach	10		6,240
to and from Ararat and Tatyoon	Two days a week	Horseback	16		3,328
to and from Ballarat and Anderson's Sawmills, by way of Black Hill, Little Bendigo, Brown Hill, Leigh Creek, Bullarook, and Devil's Creek	Six days a week	Coach	15		9,360
to and from Ballarat and Bungaree, by way of Dunn's Town and Warrenheip	Six days a week	Horseback	16		9,984
to and from Ballarat and Haddon (Sago Hill), by way of Redan Bridge, Mount Pleasant, Sebastopol, Cobbler's Gully, and Cambrian Hill	Six days a week	Coach	11		6,864
to and from Ballarat and Sebastopol, by way of Redan Bridge	Six days a week	Coach	2½		1,560
to and from the Railway Station and Post Office Ballarat, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	As often as required	Waggonette	1½*	7,690 8 0	468
to and from Ballarat and Alfredtown, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day	Tilbury	3		3,744

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			Miles.	£ s. d.	
from Ballarat to Ballarat East	Twice a day	Tilbury	12*		3,744
from Ballarat to Newington	Twice a day	Tilbury			
also the conveyance of two letter-carriers from Ballarat to Newington	Once a day	Tilbury			
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Ballarat West now established, or any that may be opened in the course of the year; and of the Post Office at Newington, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day	Tilbury	20*		6,240
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Ballarat East now established, or any that may be opened in the course of the year, and of the Post Office at Ballarat East, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day	Tilbury	8*		2,496
to and from Burrumbeet and Weatherboard Hill	Six days a week	Horseback	5		3,120
to and from Daylesford and Leonard's Hill, by way of Muskvale	Three days a week	Horseback	6		1,872
to and from Clunes and Glendaruel, by way of Tourello and Mount Beckworth	Six days a week	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Clunes and Glengower, by way of Lord Clyde and Middle Creek	Six days a week	Horseback	10		6,240
to and from Talbot and Mount Greenock, by way of Rocky Flat	Six days a week	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Talbot and Evansford	Six days a week	Horseback	7		4,368
to and from Ballarat and Buninyong, by way of Mount Clear	Six days a week	Coach	9		5,616
to and from Buninyong and the Buninyong Railway Station	Six days a week	Car	7		4,368
to and from Buninyong and Grenville, by way of Durham Lead and Hardie's Hill	Three days a week	Horseback	10		3,120
to and from Buninyong and the Whim-holes	Three days a week	Horseback	10		3,120
to and from Buninyong and Napoleon's, by way of Black Lead and Scotchman's Lead	Six days a week	Horseback	7		4,368
to and from Smythesdale and Staffordshire Reef, by way of Brown's and Italian Gully	Six days a week	Coach	7		4,368
to and from Smythesdale and Chepstowe, by way of Snake Valley, Preston Hill, and Carngham	Six days a week	Coach	18		11,232
to and from Smythesdale and Happy Valley, by way of Scarsdale, Newtown, Golden Lake, and Piggoreet	Six days a week	Coach	8		4,992
to and from Gordon's and Ormond	Three days a week	Horseback	5		1,560
to and from Brown's Hills and Bungaree Springs	Six days a week	Horseback	4		2,496
to and from Heywood and Dartmoor	Once a week	Horseback	31		3,224
to and from Portland and Bridgewater...	Once a week	Horseback	13		1,352
to and from Belfast and Penshurst, by way of Kirkstall and Hawkesdale	Two days a week	Coach	40		8,320
to and from the Landing-place and Post Office, Warrnambool	As often as required		1½		727
to and from Woorndoo and Lake Bolac	Two days a week	Horseback	12		2,496
to and from Camperdown and Darlington	Once a week	Horseback	18		1,872
to and from Camperdown and Cobden	Three days a week	Horseback	10		3,120
to and from Colac and Ondit	Six days a week	Horseback	7		4,368
to and from Ondit and Cundare	Two days a week	Horseback	6		1,248
to and from Mount Moriac and Lake Modewarre	Three days a week	Horseback	9		2,808
to and from Lal-lal Railway Station and Clarendon	Six days a week	Horseback	4		2,496
to and from Meredith and Morrison's	Six days a week	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Morrison's and Dolly's Creek	Three days a week	Horseback	6		1,872
to and from Dolly's Creek and Mount Doran	Three days a week	Horseback	3		936
to and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Meredith	Twice a day	Car	1½*		468
to and from Meredith and Steiglitz	Six days a week	Coach	7		4,368
to and from Leigh Road Railway Station and Anakies, by way of Darriwall and Maude	Six days a week	Coach	9		5,616
to and from Steiglitz and Stony Creek	Six days a week	Horseback	5		3,120
to and from Meredith and Cargarie	Three days a week	Horseback	11		3,432
to and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Lethbridge	Twice a day	Horseback	1		1,248
to and from Inverleigh and Leigh Road Railway Station	Once a week	Horseback	9		936
to and from Rokewood and Cressy	Once a week	Horseback	10		1,040
to and from Steiglitz Road Railway Station and Post Office, Moorabool	Twice a day	On foot	1		1,248
to and from Geelong and Sutherland's Creek	Six days a week	Horseback	12		7,488
to and from Geelong and Gheringhap, by way of Geelong West, Cowie's Creek, and Batesford	Six days a week	Horseback	12		7,488
to and from Geelong and Fyansford	Six days a week	Horseback	4		2,496
to and from Geelong and Portarlington, by way of Curlew, Drysdale, and Bellarine	Six days a week	Coach	18		11,232

See preceding page.

* Being 291 mails received and despatched per steamer.

* Per diem.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Portarlington and St. Leonards ...	Three days a week	Coach ...	7	See preceding page.	2,184
to and from Geelong and Ceres, by way of Highton	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Ceres and Gnarwarre ...	Three days a week	Horseback	8		2,496
to and from Geelong and Mount Duneed, by way of Belmont and Germantown	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Mount Duneed and Jan Juc, by way of Freshwater Creek	Three days a week	Horseback	12		3,744
to and from Mount Duneed and Connewarre ...	Three days a week	Horseback	6		1,872
to and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Wyndham	Twice a day ...	On foot ...	2*		624
to and from Wyndham Railway Station and Derimut, by way of Mount Cotterell	Three days a week	Horseback	8		2,496
to and from Geelong and Point Henry, by way of the Breakwater	Six days a week ...	Horseback	8		4,992
to and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Geelong, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	As often as required	Buggy ...	3*		936
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Geelong, now established, or any that may be opened in the course of the year, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Three times a day ...	Tilbury ...	24*		7,488
To and from Eddington and Laanecoorie ...	Three days a week	Horseback	6	29 10 0	1,872
To and from Ararat and Opossum Gully ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	24 10 0	3,744
To and from Moyston and Watgania ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	12	50 0 0	2,496
To and from Beaufort and Charlton, by way of Main Lead, Waterloo, and Raglan	Three days a week	Horseback	9	79 0 0	2,808
to and from Beaufort and Stockyard Hill, by way of Sailor's Gully	Three days a week	Horseback	10		3,120
To and from Creswick and Dean, by way of Rocky Lead	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	92 10 0	3,744
To and from Creswick and Coghill's Creek, by way of Bald Hills and Ascot	Six days a week ...	Horseback	20	92 10 0	12,480
To and from Moorookyle and Ullina ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	5	60 0 0	3,120
To and from Moorookyle and Hit-or-Miss ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	90 0 0	3,744
To and from Kyneton and Pastoria, by way of Piper's Creek	Three days a week	Horseback	7	29 10 0	2,184
To and from Rochford and Heskett ...	Three days a week	Horseback	3	50 0 0	936
To and from Benalla and Mansfield, by way of McKellar's, Swan Pool, and Barjarg	Once a week ...	Horseback	43	75 0 0	4,472
To and from Morang and Hazleglen ...	Three days a week	Horseback	4	50 0 0	1,248
To and from Whorouly and Bowman's Forest ...	Three days a week	Horseback	3	25 0 0	936
To and from Leigh Road Railway Station and Inverleigh	Three days a week	Coach ...	9	38 0 0	3,744
Clearing a receiving-box at Prahran ...	Thrice daily ...	Foot ...	2½*	47 0 0	2,340
Clearing a receiving-box at East Leigh ...	Once daily ...	Foot ...	1	10 0 0	312
Clearing receiving-box at Talbot-street, Majorca ...	Once daily ...	Foot ...	½	5 0 0	156
Clearing three receiving-boxes at Brunswick ...	Once daily ...	On foot ...	3	30 0 0	936
Clearing two receiving-boxes in Hawthorn ...	Twice daily ...	On foot ...	2½	30 0 0	1,560
Clearing a receiving-box at Pascoe Vale ...	Daily ...	On foot ...	1*	12 0 0	312
Clearing three receiving-boxes at Emerald Hill, and twice additionally on outgoing mail days	Thrice daily ...	On foot ...	4	36 0 0	3,744
To and from Melbourne and Brighton; and for clearance of receiving-boxes at Balaclava, Elsternwick, Bay street, and Brighton Beach railway stations, and conveyance of letters, &c., from these stations to Melbourne	Twice a day ...	Railway ...	7½*	200 0 0	9,360
Conveyance of English mail from Prahran to Melbourne	Every four weeks ...	Car ...	1		
From Prahran to South Yarra ...	Twice daily ...	Car ...	1½	18 0 0	312
To and from the Post Office and the railway station, Brighton	Twice daily ...	On foot ...	½*	15 12 0	78
Clearing receiving-box at Coburg ...	Once daily ...	On foot ...	1	10 0 0	624
To and from Melbourne, Footscray, and Williamstown	Twice daily ...	Railway ...	9½	150 0 0	17,316
To and from Melbourne, Geelong, Geelong West, and Ballarat	Thrice daily ...	Railway ...	96¾	2,500 0 0	180,180
To and from Melbourne and Sandhurst ...	Thrice daily ...	Railway ...	100¾	2,500 0 0	188,604
To and from Sandhurst and Echuca ...	Twice daily ...	Railway ...	55½	1,000 0 0	68,952
To and from Frankston and Hastings, <i>via</i> Somerville, from the 18th February to the 31st December 1871, at the rate of £1 per week	Once a week ...	Coach ...	1	45 5 8	1,800
To and from Melbourne and East Shelbourne, from the 24th March to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £18 per annum	Three days a week	Horseback	8	13 17 8	1,920
To and from the Post Office, Cape Bridgewater, and the Cape, from the 8th March to the 31st December 1871, at the rate of £15 12s. per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	3	12 14 1	258
To and from Rye and Sorrento, from 10th January to 31st December 1871, at the rate of 8s. per week	Two days a week ...	Horseback	18	20 6 10	3,636

* Distance previously stated.
* For diem.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from Stonyford and Carpendeit, from 20th January to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £20 per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	12	18 19 6	1,176
To and from Chinaman's Creek ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½	17 4 0	1,470 60
and extra trip from Chinaman's Creek on outgoing English mail days, from 20th January to 31st December 1871, at the rate of 1s. per diem	Every four weeks ...	...	...		
To and from Port Albert and Stockyard Creek, from 20th February to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £80 per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	35	68 16 2	3,150
To and from Allansford and Nirranda, by way of Mepunga, from 4th March to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £10 per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	10	8 5 0	860
From Stratford to Sale on departure of English mail on Sunday from Hobson's Bay, from 23rd April to 10th September 1871, at the rate of 10s. per trip	Every four weeks ...	Horseback	... ¹	3 0 0	132
Conveyance of an extra letter-carrier from Melbourne to St. Kilda, from 1st January to 31st December, at the rate of 1s. per diem	Once a day ...	Car	... ²	15 12 0	...
To and from Geelong and Queenscliff, from 1st January to 30th April 1871, at the rate of £3 per week	Six days a week ...	Coach	... ³	51 0 0	3,876
To and from Briagolong and Stratford, from 2nd May to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £25 per annum	Two days a week ...	Horseback	5 ⁴	16 11 11	700
To and from Avoca and Nattie Yallock, from 1st April to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £40 per annum	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6	30 0 0	936
Increased distance consequent upon removal of Post Office, Bullengarook, to another site, from 19th January to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £7 per annum	Three days a week	Horseback	2½*	6 13 2	367
To and from Mount Cameron and Mount Greenock, from 16th May to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £23 per annum	Three days a week	Horseback	10	14 8 1	1,980
To and from Moonambel and Warrenmang, from 1st June to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £25 per annum	Three days a week	Horseback	4	14 11 8	720
Clearance of five receiving boxes at South Yarra ... and conveyance of English mail from Toorak and South Yarra, from 6th June to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £5 5s. per month	Three times a day... Every four weeks ...	On foot ... Car	10* ...	35 17 6	1,800
Clearing additional receiving box at Prahran, from 13th June to 31st December 1871, at the rate of 10s. per month	Three times daily...	On foot ...	1½*	3 6 0	234
To and from Castlemaine and Maryborough, by way of Newstead, Joyce's Creek, Moolort, and Carisbrook, from 15th June to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £75 per annum	Six days a week ...	Coach	... ⁵	40 16 8	10,080
To and from Ross Creek and Snythesdale, from 1st July to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £15 per annum	Three days a week	Horseback	4	7 10 0	624
To and from Echuca and Wyuna, from 15th July to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £30 per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	12	13 17 5	576
To and from Castlemaine and Chewton, from 24th July to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £20 per annum	Six days a week ...	Car	... ⁶	8 15 3	690
To and from Dromana and Red Hill, from 1st August to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £10 per annum	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4	4 3 4	352
To and from Murchison and McMillan's (Arcadia Station), by way of Kearney's Hotel, Feather Bridge, Castle Creek, and Spencer's Farm, from 1st August to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £10 10s. for the period	Once a week ...	Horseback	20	10 10 0	880
To and from Durdidwarrah and Mount Wallace, from 2nd September to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £30 per annum	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4	9 18 4	272
Conveyance of an additional letter-carrier from Melbourne to South Yarra, from 23rd February to 31st December 1871, at the rate of 10s. per month	Once a day ...	Car	... ⁷	5 2 1	...
From Melbourne to South Yarra and Prahran, from 2nd October to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £3 per month	Once a day ...	Car	... ⁸	9 0 0	234

¹ Distance previously stated. — ² Distance previously stated, also mileage included. — ³ Distance previously stated. Extra mail during summer season.

⁴ Being deviation in connection with Grant service. — ⁵ Being second daily mail between Melbourne and Maryborough. Distance previously stated. —

⁶ Being second daily mail between Castlemaine and Chewton. Distance previously stated. — ⁷ Distance and mileage previously stated. — ⁸ Distance and mileage previously stated. — ⁹ Consequent on mid-day suburban delivery being resumed. Distance previously stated.

* Per diem.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
From Melbourne to Richmond, from 2nd October to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £7 10s. for period	Once a day ...	Car ...	... ¹	7 10 0	156
From Melbourne to St. Kilda, from 2nd October to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £7 10s. for period	Once a day ...	Car ...	... ¹	7 10 0	273
To and from Elmhurst and Glenpatrick, from 17th May to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £5 per annum ²	Two days a week ...	Horseback	7	3 2 4	924
To and from Murchison and Mooroopna, by way of North Murchison, Toolamba House gate, Thompson's store, and Page's farm, from 22nd October to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £6 10s. for period, from 1st October ²	Once a week ...	Horseback	21	5 0 7	420
From Collingwood to Melbourne ...	Six days a week ...	Car ...	... ¹	13 0 0	156
and additional clearance of boxes and pillars in Fitzroy and Collingwood, from 1st October to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £13 for the period	Daily ...	Tilbury ...	... ¹		
To and from Ballan and Ballanee (Blake's Sawmills), from 13th November to 31st December 1871, at the rate of 7s. 6d. per trip	Three days a week	Horseback	7	7 17 6	294
To and from Geelong and Queenscliff, by way of Kensington and Moolap, from 1st December to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £156 per annum	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	... ³	13 0 0	912
Conveyance of an additional letter-carrier to Emerald Hill, from 7th August to 31st December 1871, at the rate of 1s. 6d. per week	Six days a week ...	Car ...	... ⁴	1 11 6	...
Conveyance of an additional letter-carrier from South Yarra to Melbourne, from 1st October to 18th November 1871, at the rate of 10s. per month	Six days a week ...	Car ...	... ⁴	0 16 0	...
To and from East Trentham and Tylden, from 12th August to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £20 per annum	Three days a week	Horseback	6	7 14 10	756
Clearing receiving box at Mr. Lyons', Emerald Hill and one at Mr. Nicholson's, from 1st July to 31st December 1871, at the rate of £14 per annum	Twice a day ...	On foot ...	} 2*	7 0 0	312
Conveyance of special mails ...	Thrice a day ...	On foot ...			
Conveyance of special mails ...	As required ...	...	...	61 7 6	...

¹ Consequent on mid-day suburban delivery being resumed. Distance previously stated. — ² Loose bag service. — ³ Extra service during summer season. Distance previously stated. — ⁴ Distance and mileage previously stated. — * Per diem.

APPENDIX B.

POST OFFICE BRANCH.

LIST of Post Offices in Victoria, with Names of Postmasters and the Amount of their Salaries, for 1871.

Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance.	Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance.
		£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Adelaide Lead ...	C. Noller ...	15 0 0	Ballarat ...	Wm. Thacker ...	485 0 0
Alberton ...	N. Christensen ...	15 0 0	Ballarat East ...	J. Fussell ...	30 0 0
Alexandra ...	J. Peterkin ...	60 0 0	Ballyshanassy ...	D. B. Groves ...	20 0 0
Alfredton ...	J. H. Palmer ...	20 0 0	Balmoral ...	B. Lyon ...	40 0 0
Allansford ...	J. Anderson ...	35 0 0	Balnarring ...	P. Vansuylen ...	15 0 0
Alma ...	B. Wilds ...	25 0 0	Barfold ...	J. Ryan ...	30 0 0
Alphington ...	J. S. Adams ...	20 0 0	Baringhup ...	R. J. Lawrence ...	35 0 0
Amherst ...	J. P. Smith ...	40 0 0	Barker's Creek ...	E. Homan ...	15 0 0
Amphitheatre ...	A. Hardie ...	30 0 0	Barkly ...	Wm. Blair ...	20 0 0
Anakie ...	G. Belcher ...	20 0 0	Barkstead ...	S. J. Lawrence ...	15 0 0
Apsley ...	M. A. Botterill ...	35 0 0	Barnawartha ...	M. McKeone ...	30 0 0
Ararat ...	K. L. Murray ...	180 0 0	Barry's Reef ...	W. Shaw ...	25 0 0
Armstrongs ...	J. Kershaw ...	15 0 0	Bass ...	W. Keen ...	15 0 0
Ascot (Creswick) ...	T. Ogilvy ...	25 0 0	Batesford ...	H. A. Smith ...	25 0 0
Avenel ...	W. Campion ...	35 0 0	Baynton ...	E. Foy ...	20 0 0
Avoca ...	P. R. Arkins ...	180 0 0	Bealiba ...	G. W. Lyndon ...	30 0 0
Avon Plains ...	H. Stratford ...	25 0 0	Beaufort ...	Thos. Lewis ...	180 0 0
Axedale ...	P. Drake ...	20 0 0	Beechworth ...	R. B. Hodgson ...	350 0 0
Bacchus Marsh ...	T. Taubman ...	60 0 0	Belfast ...	J. A. Lynar ...	350 0 0
Bairnsdale ...	B. C. Jones ...	146 13 4	Bellarine ...	W. Andrews ...	25 0 0
Bald Hills ...	D. Slattery ...	15 0 0	Belmont ...	J. Williams ...	25 0 0
Bald Hills (Gippsland) ...	C. Rumpff ...	15 0 0	Benalla ...	A. C. Croft ...	180 0 0
Ballan ...	George Flack ...	65 0 0	Bendoc ...	J. Stockdale ...	15 0 0
Ballanee ...	E. Blake ...	10 0 0	Berlin ...	H. J. Williams ...	55 0 0
Ballangeich ...	W. Tomlinson ...	15 0 0	Berwick ...	R. Bain ...	50 0 0

List of Post-Offices in Victoria, with Names of Postmasters and Amounts of Salaries, for 1871—continued.

Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance.	Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance.
		£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Bet Bet ...	Mary Grant ...	10 0 0	Clunes ...	J. L. Collier ...	350 0 0
Beveridge ...	N. Fletcher ...	25 0 0	Clyde ...	J. A. Noble ...	20 0 0
Big Hill ...	P. C. Perry ...	15 0 0	Clydesdale ...	E. Sutcliffe ...	10 0 0
Birregurra ...	B. Wood ...	55 0 0	Cobbler's Gully ...	R. Miles ...	30 0 0
Black Hill ...	Ann Turner ...	20 0 0	Cobden ...	R. H. Roberts ...	20 0 0
Black Lead ...	A. W. Chapman ...	15 0 0	Cobram ...	E. McPherson ...	15 0 0
Bontherambo ...	J. Cozens ...	10 0 0	Coburg ...	S. A. Reid ...	130 0 0
Bowman's Forest ...	D. Alexander ...	15 0 0	Cockatoo ...	Godfrey Küsel ...	20 0 0
Box Hill ...	S. Padgham ...	25 0 0	Coghill's Creek ...	W. Matthews ...	25 0 0
Bransholme ...	Thos. Kemp ...	45 0 0	Coimada Creek ...	D. D. Bower ...	15 0 0
Braybrook ...	J. Dickson ...	15 0 0	Colac ...	G. E. Jackson ...	120 0 0
Break-o'-Day ...	D. E. Thomas ...	30 0 0	Coleraine ...	R. Kennedy ...	180 0 0
Breakwater ...	C. Smith ...	15 0 0	Collingwood ...	S. B. Montefiore ...	350 0 0
Briargolong ...	W. J. Parker ...	10 0 0	Condah ...	Thos. Maxwell ...	25 0 0
Bridgewater-on-Loddon ...	R. Boys ...	30 0 0	Connawarre ...	J. Walther ...	20 0 0
Bright ...	W. H. Hollick ...	180 0 0	Coongulmerang ...	J. Whitbourne ...	15 0 0
Brighton ...	E. Clark ...	135 0 0	Cooper's Creek ...	J. Day ...	15 0 0
Brighton East ...	W. Norquay ...	35 0 0	Corinella ...	J. Chinn ...	10 0 0
Brighton South ...	J. G. Reynolds ...	25 0 0	Corop ...	Max Jacobson ...	30 0 0
Broadford ...	G. Abbot ...	50 0 0	Costerfield ...	F. Field ...	25 0 0
Broadmeadows ...	F. Phillips ...	30 0 0	Cove ...	D. McLellan ...	20 0 0
Brown Hills ...	F. Bradbury ...	25 0 0	Cowes ...	J. West ...	35 0 0
Brown's Diggings ...	J. Booth ...	15 0 0	Cowie's Creek ...	M. Jones ...	10 0 0
Brown's Plains ...	H. G. Brown ...	15 0 0	Cowwarr ...	T. Gebhardt ...	15 0 0
Brunswick ...	J. George ...	150 0 0	Coy's Diggings ...	E. Mann ...	15 0 0
Bruthen ...	R. McDougall ...	30 0 0	Craigburn ...	J. E. Keane ...	30 0 0
Buangor ...	E. Keith ...	40 0 0	Cranbourne ...	A. Thomson ...	40 0 0
Buckland ...	Mary White ...	35 0 0	Cressy ...	T. A. Hall ...	35 0 0
Bulla ...	W. Bethell ...	25 0 0	Creswick ...	J. Thwaites ...	350 0 0
Bullarook ...	J. T. Ham ...	20 0 0	Crossley ...	John Malone ...	15 0 0
Bulldog Flat ...	J. Russell ...	15 0 0	Crossover Diggings ...	J. Veysey ...	15 0 0
Bullengarook ...	W. Gorman ...	10 0 0	Crowlands ...	S. J. Wilkinson ...	25 0 0
Bullock Creek ...	E. Young ...	10 0 0	Croxton East ...	H. Jaln ...	15 0 0
Bull Town ...	A. E. Cross ...	10 0 0	Cundare ...	P. McMahon ...	10 0 0
Bulumwaal ...	G. Allen ...	25 0 0	Cunninghame ...	W. Roadnight ...	15 0 0
Bundoora ...	Wm. Emms ...	15 0 0	Curlewis ...	E. O. M. Tobin ...	15 0 0
Bung Bong ...	Wm. Glover ...	15 0 0	Dandenong ...	J. Dobson ...	100 0 0
Bungaree ...	T. Chalmers ...	25 0 0	Dargo Flat ...	J. B. Kelly ...	25 0 0
Bungaree Springs ...	J. J. Glenn ...	10 0 0	Darlingford ...	J. Dunn ...	20 0 0
Buninyong ...	G. A. Firman ...	150 0 0	Darlington ...	S. D. Hodgson ...	40 0 0
Buninyong Railway Station ...	C. Fuller ...	45 0 0	Darraweit Guim ...	M. A. Francis ...	20 0 0
Burke's Flat ...	J. O. Goullett ...	15 0 0	Dartmoor ...	A. McDonald ...	15 0 0
Burnt Creek ...	J. G. Russell ...	20 0 0	Daylesford ...	J. H. Woodward ...	350 0 0
Burrumbeet ...	J. Miller ...	55 0 0	Deah ...	C. Maples ...	30 0 0
Byaduk ...	J. Wilton ...	25 0 0	Dean's Marsh ...	J. Schram ...	15 0 0
Cabbage-tree ...	J. Benson ...	15 0 0	Deep Creek ...	D. Vanderbuilt ...	25 0 0
California Gully ...	T. Jones ...	35 0 0	Deep Lead ...	M. J. Sweetman ...	20 0 0
Camberwell ...	T. Keen ...	20 0 0	Dennington ...	A. O'Sullivan ...	25 0 0
Cambrian Hill ...	D. Williams ...	35 0 0	Deptford ...	H. McKinnon ...	10 0 0
Campaspe ...	J. O'Brien ...	15 0 0	Dereel ...	Chas. Brown ...	10 0 0
Campbellfield ...	J. Boreham ...	25 0 0	Derrimut ...	R. Hopkins ...	10 0 0
Campbell's Creek ...	C. Tolstrup ...	95 0 0	Devil's Creek ...	G. Hansen ...	20 0 0
Camperdown ...	J. Duigan ...	180 0 0	Diamond Creek ...	J. F. L. Edmunds ...	20 0 0
Canterbury ...	M. Wall ...	15 0 0	Digby ...	M. Townsend ...	25 0 0
Cape Bridgewater ...	C. Hedditch ...	10 0 0	Diggersrest ...	R. Donnelly ...	15 0 0
Cape Clear ...	A. L. Gibson ...	30 0 0	Dimboola ...	W. H. Lloyd ...	50 0 0
Caramut ...	J. Bendall ...	60 0 0	Dobie's Bridge ...	W. Malony ...	15 0 0
Cardigan ...	J. W. Surman ...	30 0 0	Docker's Plains ...	H. S. Parfitt ...	15 0 0
Cargarie ...	J. Hewitt ...	15 0 0	Dolly's Creek ...	B. Nesbitt ...	15 0 0
Carisbrook ...	D. J. O'Brien ...	150 0 0	Donald ...	J. A. Meyer ...	35 0 0
Carlsruhe ...	Isaac Phillips ...	20 0 0	Doncaster ...	M. H. Hoare ...	15 0 0
Carlsruhe Railway Station ...	A. Cobham ...	25 0 0	Donnelly's Creek ...	A. Marshall ...	25 0 0
Carlton ...	C. G. Lawson ...	80 0 0	Donnybrook ...	P. Crichton ...	35 0 0
Carngham ...	J. Crowther ...	25 0 0	Doon ...	M. Jones ...	20 0 0
Carpentait ...	P. Morrison ...	10 0 0	Doutta Galla ...	P. Phelan ...	10 0 0
Casterton ...	F. L. Merchant ...	180 0 0	Dromana ...	A. Haldon ...	35 0 0
Castlemaine ...	Thos. Green ...	350 0 0	Drummond ...	C. M. Roen ...	20 0 0
Castle Reef ...	John Reed ...	10 0 0	Dry Creek ...	J. Sherring ...	15 0 0
Cathcart ...	T. Flattely ...	15 0 0	Dry Diggings ...	R. Turner ...	15 0 0
Caulfield ...	R. Boxhill ...	70 0 0	Drysdale ...	Charles Brazier ...	35 0 0
Cavendish ...	J. Mercer ...	30 0 0	Duck Holes ...	E. W. Cryer ...	15 0 0
Ceres ...	R. McDowall ...	25 0 0	Duck Ponds ...	H. Tucker ...	30 0 0
Charlton ...	G. Dobie ...	15 0 0	Dunach ...	W. Meincke ...	20 0 0
Chatsworth ...	S. Wilson ...	15 0 0	Dunkeld ...	S. Fisher ...	40 0 0
Cheltenham ...	J. Trail ...	35 0 0	Dunn's Town ...	D. Darcy ...	15 0 0
Chepstowe ...	W. B. Wilson ...	15 0 0	Dunolly ...	H. F. O'Connell ...	180 0 0
Chewton ...	J. Lamb ...	91 0 0	Duridwarrah ...	H. Knox ...	40 0 0
Chiltern ...	H. J. T. Tymms ...	180 0 0	Durham Lead ...	R. Lamb ...	25 0 0
Chinaman's Flat ...	A. Watson ...	30 0 0	Durham Ox ...	W. H. Argyle ...	35 0 0
Clare Inn ...	J. Wells ...	25 0 0	Eaglehawk ...	Jane Constable ...	80 0 0
Clarendon ...	A. McDonald ...	20 0 0	East Shelbourne ...	T. J. Sampson ...	10 0 0
Clifford ...	S. H. Sleator ...	15 0 0	East Trentham ...	M. J. Phelan ...	10 0 0

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Echuca ...	D. W. Forbes ...	350 0 0	Harkaway ...	J. Hessel ...	15 0 0
Eddington ...	A. Gray ...	40 0 0	Harrietville ...	H. D. Harkins ...	30 0 0
Edenhope ...	S. V. Lloyd ...	35 0 0	Harrow ...	C. R. Tulloch ...	45 0 0
Edwards' Reef ...	T. Walker ...	15 0 0	Hartwell ...	P. Hurry ...	10 0 0
Eldorado ...	T. Holderness ...	135 0 0	Hastings ...	H. Peddle ...	20 0 0
Ellerslie ...	R. Whittel ...	15 0 0	Havelock ...	J. Rule ...	10 0 0
Elmhurst ...	H. Spiers ...	15 0 0	Hawkesdale ...	W. Scarlett ...	25 0 0
Elphinstone ...	G. Sims ...	45 0 0	Hawthorn ...	C. Nicholls ...	195 0 0
Elsternwick ...	G. Morris ...	82 0 0	Hazelglen ...	A. Smith ...	10 0 0
Eltham ...	A. Hunniford ...	25 0 0	Healesville ...	L. Flanagan ...	30 0 0
Emerald Hill ...	W. Dempster, jun. ...	90 0 0	Heathcote ...	A. L. Sutton ...	180 0 0
Enoch's Point ...	Jno. Bain ...	15 0 0	Heidelberg ...	F. P. Dunn ...	45 0 0
Ensay ...	H. Johnston ...	20 0 0	Hepburn ...	J. Hill ...	25 0 0
Epping ...	Thos. Mitchell ...	20 0 0	Hesket ...	J. Boyd ...	10 0 0
Epsom ...	R. Sharp ...	35 0 0	Hesse ...	D. L. Laing ...	10 0 0
Essendon ...	J. West ...	15 0 0	Hexham ...	S. Hannah ...	35 0 0
Estcourt ...	J. Pratt ...	15 0 0	Heyfield ...	A. H. Crook ...	15 0 0
Eurambreen ...	M. Kelly ...	10 0 0	Heywood ...	C. H. Badnall ...	65 0 0
Euroa ...	John De Boos ...	40 0 0	Highton ...	J. Nicol ...	20 0 0
Eurobin ...	S. Winter ...	20 0 0	Hillsborough ...	J. Brown ...	25 0 0
Evansford ...	J. C. Sloane ...	20 0 0	Hit-or-Miss ...	J. Turner ...	15 0 0
Eversley ...	H. H. Mansfield ...	30 0 0	Hochkirch ...	O. Müller ...	15 0 0
Faraday ...	J. Boyle ...	10 0 0	Hoddle's Creek ...	T. Ewart ...	15 0 0
Fernbank ...	J. Scott ...	25 0 0	Homebush ...	Jas. McKinnon ...	15 0 0
Flemington ...	R. Terry ...	100 0 0	Horsham ...	J. Langlands ...	80 0 0
Flinders ...	A. Brent ...	15 0 0	Hotliam ...	J. Macgibbon ...	70 0 0
Footscray ...	D. Mitchell ...	80 0 0	Hotspur ...	J. McEachern ...	15 0 0
Framlingham ...	B. Lee ...	20 0 0	Huntly ...	B. Cartmell ...	35 0 0
Franklinford ...	Wm. Bamstead ...	20 0 0	Indigo ...	Joseph Cannon ...	25 0 0
Frankston ...	E. G. Savage ...	30 0 0	Inglewood ...	J. H. Kibble ...	180 0 0
Freeburgh ...	Wm. Mackay ...	10 0 0	Inglewood (Old) ...	Martha Power ...	10 0 0
Freshwater Creek ...	C. Vain ...	15 0 0	Inkermann ...	J. E. Matthews ...	10 0 0
Fryerstown ...	S. H. Hazlett ...	45 0 0	Inverleigh ...	W. Murrell ...	35 0 0
Fyansford ...	Thos. J. Littlewood ...	20 0 0	Italian Gully ...	J. Dowd ...	10 0 0
Gaffney's Creek ...	J. Weatherhead ...	90 0 0	Jamieson ...	W. Andrews ...	150 0 0
Gap ...	J. Murphy ...	10 0 0	Janefield ...	J. Peacock ...	15 0 0
Garvoc ...	J. Glowry ...	20 0 0	Jan Juc ...	W. Cook ...	15 0 0
Geelong ...	S. C. Vivian ...	411 13 4	Jasper Road ...	W. Ward ...	15 0 0
Geelong East ...	T. S. Stone ...	10 0 0	Jones' Creek ...	J. Burns ...	10 0 0
Geelong West ...	C. Vigar ...	20 0 0	Jordan ...	R. J. Donaldson ...	25 0 0
Germantown ...	A. Benari ...	20 0 0	Joyce's Creek ...	R. Rowe ...	15 0 0
Gheringhap ...	W. Moore ...	15 0 0	Kangaroo Flat ...	W. Rogers ...	45 0 0
Ghin Ghin ...	M. Kemp ...	15 0 0	Kangaroo Ground ...	W. McLaughlin ...	20 0 0
Gipsy Village ...	J. Hughes ...	10 0 0	Keilor ...	R. G. Ely ...	30 0 0
Gisborne ...	R. Haines ...	55 0 0	Keilor Road Station ...	Thos. Johnston ...	35 0 0
Glendaruel ...	A. Hockey ...	15 0 0	Kensington ...	R. McWilliams ...	25 0 0
Glendonald ...	E. Good ...	10 0 0	Kerang ...	F. O'Connell ...	10 0 0
Glengower ...	W. McKinney ...	25 0 0	Kew ...	F. B. Fishley ...	150 0 0
Glenluce ...	C. Hilder ...	15 0 0	Kiewa ...	J. Lawson ...	10 0 0
Glenlyon ...	J. Macfarlan ...	35 0 0	Killarney ...	J. J. Madden ...	45 0 0
Glenorchy ...	J. Wallace ...	45 0 0	Kilmore ...	G. E. Groves ...	180 0 0
Glenrowan ...	R. Liddle ...	15 0 0	Kingower ...	P. Roy ...	60 0 0
Glenthompson ...	J. McLellan ...	30 0 0	King Parrot Creek ...	W. Doyle ...	10 0 0
Glenvale ...	W. S. Welsh ...	15 0 0	Kingston ...	T. Rossell ...	45 0 0
Gnarwarre ...	P. Corbett ...	15 0 0	Kiora ...	T. Biggin ...	20 0 0
Godfrey's Creek ...	G. E. Simcocks ...	50 0 0	Kirkstall ...	W. Witten ...	15 0 0
Golden Lake ...	C. Werner ...	20 0 0	Kolara ...	Ellen Fullen ...	10 0 0
Golden Point ...	Eliz. Hopper ...	15 0 0	Koroit ...	C. Norman ...	40 0 0
Golden Square ...	J. Miller ...	45 0 0	Kyneton ...	H. B. Bristow ...	350 0 0
Goldie ...	J. Douglas ...	10 0 0	Laanecoorie ...	Thos. Langdon ...	15 0 0
Goldsboro' Reef ...	T. N. King ...	25 0 0	Lake Bolac ...	C. Lonisson ...	45 0 0
Gooley's Creek ...	J. Holt ...	15 0 0	Lal Lal ...	C. H. Orr ...	35 0 0
Goornong ...	A. Cross ...	15 0 0	Lamplough ...	P. M. Fogarty ...	20 0 0
Gordon's ...	S. M. Robertson ...	50 0 0	Lancefield ...	J. N. Beasley ...	55 0 0
Grant ...	W. Hopkins ...	50 0 0	Lancefield Road Station ...	J. J. Hull ...	40 0 0
Graytown ...	W. Oddy ...	100 0 0	Landsborough ...	J. Johnston ...	65 0 0
Great Western ...	R. J. Roberts ...	20 0 0	Langley ...	J. Twyford ...	60 0 0
Greendale ...	M. Cassidy ...	15 0 0	Larpet ...	A. Mackay ...	25 0 0
Green Gully ...	F. Lauer ...	15 0 0	La Trobe Bridge ...	J. Flint ...	10 0 0
Green Hill ...	W. Power ...	15 0 0	Lauriston ...	J. Crymble ...	30 0 0
Greensborough ...	J. Iredale ...	15 0 0	Lawloit ...	J. McNevin ...	25 0 0
Green's Creek ...	C. F. Proctor ...	15 0 0	Learmonth ...	Wm. McKay ...	55 0 0
Greenvale ...	G. P. Hancock ...	10 0 0	Ledcourt ...	T. W. Dadsell ...	20 0 0
Grenville ...	R. Ormrod ...	10 0 0	Leigh Creek ...	J. Mungovan ...	20 0 0
Greta ...	Saml. Ellis ...	20 0 0	Leigh Road Railway Station ...	J. Cotton ...	45 0 0
Growler's Creek ...	Wm. Dunphy ...	35 0 0	Leonard's Hill ...	J. Willkie ...	15 0 0
Guildford ...	J. Sinclair ...	35 0 0	Lethbridge ...	A. Ross ...	25 0 0
Hamilton ...	Geo. Harriott ...	350 0 0	Lexton ...	M. Watson ...	30 0 0
Happy-go-Lucky ...	C. Collins ...	15 0 0	Lilydale ...	H. Perrin ...	45 0 0
Happy Valley ...	J. Power ...	25 0 0	Lindsay ...	M. Spring ...	35 0 0
Harcourt ...	S. Williamson ...	25 0 0	Lingham's Flat ...	R. W. Williams ...	20 0 0
Hardie's Hill ...	W. W. L. Pearse ...	10 0 0	Linton's ...	M. McDonagh ...	60 0 0

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Lismore ...	J. Parry ...	35 0 0	Muckleford ...	E. Thwaites ...	35 0 0
Little Bendigo ...	O. Skogland ...	15 0 0	Muddy Creek Bridge ...	Michl. Kearney ...	10 0 0
Little River ...	C. Nantes ...	30 0 0	Mulgrave ...	G. Stott ...	10 0 0
Lockwood ...	S. Espie ...	20 0 0	Murchison ...	W. Barrett ...	35 0 0
Longerenong ...	Thos. Davey ...	20 0 0	Murgheboluc ...	M. A. Morris ...	15 0 0
Long Gully ...	P. Pentreath ...	45 0 0	Murrungee ...	G. Thompson ...	25 0 0
Longwood ...	F. St. Leger ...	150 0 0	Murroon ...	G. K. Prime ...	10 0 0
Lord Clyde ...	Chas. Penny ...	15 0 0	Muskvale ...	J. Hatton ...	10 0 0
Lyndhurst ...	P. Walker ...	10 0 0	Myer's Flat ...	S. Dalton ...	15 0 0
Macarthur ...	J. Bulstrode ...	40 0 0	Myrtleford ...	Thos. Mathieson ...	35 0 0
Macedon ...	R. Stewart ...	30 0 0	Nagambie ...	W. Sheehan ...	20 0 0
McCullum's Creek ...	F. Robinson ...	25 0 0	Napoleon's ...	J. Membrey ...	25 0 0
Mack's Creek ...	J. Dellar ...	10 0 0	Nareen ...	A. Grant ...	20 0 0
McIntyre's ...	W. Dowson ...	10 0 0	Narrawong ...	D. McLean ...	15 0 0
Maffra ...	W. Campbell ...	45 0 0	Narree-Warren ...	G. W. Rae ...	15 0 0
Maidentown ...	A. Black ...	35 0 0	Nattie Yallock ...	Jos. Robinson ...	10 0 0
Maidstone ...	W. Pullar ...	15 0 0	Navarre ...	D. Pennington ...	20 0 0
Maindample ...	Alex. Maclatchey ...	20 0 0	Newbridge ...	J. Newington ...	40 0 0
Main Lead ...	J. Reedy ...	15 0 0	Newbury ...	J. Jack ...	15 0 0
Majorca ...	S. H. Gearing ...	60 0 0	New Gisborne ...	T. J. Wills ...	45 0 0
Major Plains ...	W. Williams ...	10 0 0	Newham ...	E. Gibbs ...	25 0 0
Maldon ...	Thos. Reed ...	180 0 0	Newington ...	J. A. Wine ...	20 0 0
Malmesbury ...	Fanny Green ...	180 0 0	Newlyn ...	Frank Wilkins ...	25 0 0
Malvern ...	W. J. Wilson ...	79 0 0	Newstead ...	M. Howson ...	50 0 0
Mansfield ...	G. W. Newlands ...	150 0 0	Newtown-Scarsdale ...	G. D. Knight ...	35 0 0
Marong ...	H. Palmer ...	30 0 0	Nirranda ...	Eliz. Lee ...	10 0 0
Maryborough ...	Jas. Fisher ...	350 0 0	Northcote ...	E. Bastings ...	70 0 0
Maryfield ...	C. White ...	10 0 0	Nuggety Reef ...	J. Moir ...	10 0 0
Marysville ...	M. Keppell ...	25 0 0	Oaklands Junction ...	J. Dewar ...	15 0 0
Matlock ...	E. J. Tindall ...	35 0 0	Oakleigh ...	W. Braithwaite ...	40 0 0
Maude ...	T. Biles ...	15 0 0	Omeo ...	E. Selk ...	35 0 0
Melton ...	J. Ferris ...	35 0 0	Ondit ...	A. Gilbert ...	45 0 0
Meredith ...	C. L. Nugent ...	70 0 0	Opossum Gully ...	E. C. Webb ...	10 0 0
Merino ...	F. Ford ...	50 0 0	Orford ...	M. Horan ...	20 0 0
Merriang ...	J. Davies ...	15 0 0	Ormond ...	J. Harrington ...	10 0 0
Merrimac ...	W. Haines ...	10 0 0	Osborne's Flat ...	J. B. Carkeek ...	15 0 0
Merton ...	B. Nolan ...	55 0 0	Oxley ...	D. Donald ...	20 0 0
Metcalf ...	J. Farrant ...	20 0 0	Oxley Plains ...	C. Gardner ...	50 0 0
Mia Mia ...	Thos. Dwyer ...	30 0 0	Pakenham ...	M. Bourke ...	40 0 0
Mickleham ...	John Edis ...	15 0 0	Panmure ...	J. Anderson ...	25 0 0
Middle Creek ...	John Kemp ...	15 0 0	Pastoria ...	J. Donovan ...	10 0 0
Minersrest ...	J. Blennerhasset ...	25 0 0	Penshurst ...	F. W. Rackham ...	150 0 0
Mitta Mitta ...	M. Thompson ...	15 0 0	Pentland Hills ...	H. W. Simmons ...	35 0 0
Modewarre ...	H. Lawrence ...	15 0 0	Percydale ...	H. Wise ...	35 0 0
Moe ...	Chas. Murcutt ...	35 0 0	Peter's Diggings ...	S. J. Edelsten ...	15 0 0
Moliagul ...	R. Leck ...	30 0 0	Pettavel ...	L. Mermod ...	15 0 0
Moolap ...	J. Yeoman ...	15 0 0	Piggoreet ...	F. Blythman ...	40 0 0
Moolort ...	W. W. Liddel ...	10 0 0	Piper's Creek ...	P. Kellas ...	15 0 0
Moonambel ...	C. Middleton ...	50 0 0	Pitfield ...	A. W. Crowe ...	15 0 0
Moonee Ponds ...	J. T. Hinkins ...	135 0 0	Point Henry ...	A. Gray ...	15 0 0
Moorabool ...	W. Simpson ...	15 0 0	Pomborneit ...	C. H. Bowker ...	15 0 0
Moorabool Creek ...	G. Stubbs ...	15 0 0	Porcupine Flat ...	D. F. Martin ...	10 0 0
Moorookyle ...	Alex. McIntosh ...	45 0 0	Pore-Punka ...	W. Hooper ...	25 0 0
Morang ...	H. M. Thompson ...	25 0 0	Port Albert ...	J. Ferris ...	180 0 0
Mordialloc ...	E. Saunders ...	25 0 0	Portarlington ...	Robt. Wright ...	20 0 0
Mornington ...	Anna D. McKenney ...	55 0 0	Portland ...	Edwin Braim ...	350 0 0
Morrison's Diggings ...	G. B. Silvester ...	35 0 0	Powlett Plains ...	J. Guilfoyle ...	10 0 0
Mortlake ...	John Hayes ...	150 0 0	Powlett's Hill ...	Jas. Morris ...	10 0 0
Morton Plains ...	C. Mills ...	15 0 0	Prahran ...	A. F. White ...	106 0 0
Morwell ...	P. J. Smith ...	10 0 0	Preston ...	E. Wood ...	30 0 0
Mosquito Flat ...	A. Coles ...	15 0 0	Preston Hill ...	S. Franklin ...	30 0 0
Mount Beckworth ...	J. Dunn ...	15 0 0	Purnim ...	G. Dowie ...	15 0 0
Mount Blackwood ...	J. F. Hansen ...	60 0 0	Pyalong ...	H. Cathery ...	30 0 0
Mount Blowhard ...	F. Gilbert ...	25 0 0	Queenscliff ...	G. S. Caldwell ...	350 0 0
Mount Bolton ...	R. K. Sanderson ...	30 0 0	Raglan ...	C. Tucker ...	15 0 0
Mount Cameron ...	John Holden ...	10 0 0	Ravenswood ...	J. Bond ...	25 0 0
Mount Clear ...	J. Davidson ...	20 0 0	Raywood ...	H. W. Horsley ...	35 0 0
Mount Cole ...	M. A. Jones ...	10 0 0	Redan Bridge ...	C. Giles ...	30 0 0
Mount Cotterell ...	John Minns ...	20 0 0	Redbank ...	E. Murphy ...	25 0 0
Mount Doran ...	W. Montgomery ...	15 0 0	Redcastle ...	J. McKee ...	20 0 0
Mount Duneed ...	C. Lamond ...	15 0 0	Redesdale ...	J. McNiff ...	25 0 0
Mount Egerton ...	R. W. Tanner ...	45 0 0	Redhill ...	Alex. Marshall ...	10 0 0
Mount Gellibrand ...	J. Duncan ...	60 0 0	Red Jacket ...	J. Campbell ...	10 0 0
Mount Greenock ...	J. McLennan ...	10 0 0	Reedy Creek ...	G. Davis ...	20 0 0
Mount Mercer ...	W. W. Birrell ...	20 0 0	Reid's Creek ...	E. Gannell ...	10 0 0
Mount Moriac ...	C. J. Elder ...	40 0 0	Richmond ...	E. Mackenzie ...	180 0 0
Mount Pleasant ...	J. Campbell ...	15 0 0	Riddell's Creek ...	R. Hutchinson ...	35 0 0
Mount Prospect ...	W. S. Jones ...	25 0 0	Rochester ...	T. Seward ...	55 0 0
Mount Rowan ...	R. R. Paton ...	20 0 0	Rochford ...	H. H. Hennell ...	15 0 0
Mount Wallace ...	Robert Robertson ...	10 0 0	Rocky Flat ...	E. Peters ...	30 0 0
Moylin ...	S. M. Staton ...	20 0 0	Rocky Lead ...	J. H. Werner ...	20 0 0
Moyston ...	R. Moore ...	45 0 0	Rokewood ...	W. H. White ...	60 0 0

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Rokewood Junction	J. Gladstone	15 0 0	Ten-mile House	T. Allen	15 0 0
Romsey	W. F. Moffatt	45 0 0	Terang	Robt. Wright	100 0 0
Rosebrook	H. J. H. Irwin	20 0 0	Thomastown	E. Perry	10 0 0
Rosedale	Saml. Baker	150 0 0	Timor	S. S. Brown	25 0 0
Ross' Creek	A. J. Oswell	10 0 0	Tintaldra	Thos. Donaldson	20 0 0
Running Creek	J. Forsyth	25 0 0	Toolern	J. Dunstan	10 0 0
Runnymede	J. Johns	45 0 0	Toolorook	M. Cummins	15 0 0
Rushworth	J. H. Roberts	16 0 0	Toongabbie	J. Bassett	35 0 0
Russell's Creek	M. E. Gadd	15 0 0	Toorak	E. Morel	50 0 0
Rutherglen	E. S. Outtrim	180 0 0	Tourello	D. McDonald	15 0 0
Rye	G. Mitchell	15 0 0	Towaninnie	J. Finlay	15 0 0
Sago Hill	R. Sinis	25 0 0	Traralgon	K. Campbell	40 0 0
Sailor's Gully	J. Patterson	10 0 0	Trawalla	L. Hamblin	35 0 0
St. Andrew	R. Smith	20 0 0	Trentham	G. McPherson	30 0 0
St. Arnaud	J. A. B. Smith	180 0 0	Tullamarine	J. Cousins	15 0 0
St. Kilda	M. A. Seivwright	100 0 0	Twist's Creek	J. Bourke	10 0 0
St. Leonards	R. Smiley	10 0 0	Tylden	A. M. Clayton	60 0 0
Sale	J. Coverdale	350 0 0	Ullina	S. H. Lowry	20 0 0
Sandford	C. Swarzeinke	25 0 0	Ulupna West	J. Gracey	10 0 0
Sandhurst	G. W. B. Vibert	350 0 0	Upper Dargo	J. Fairley	15 0 0
Sandon	A. Kirwan	15 0 0	Upper Macedon	A. de Forest	15 0 0
Sandridge	J. F. Hayes	180 0 0	Upper Maffra	F. McKinnell	15 0 0
Sandy Creek	H. Briddon	15 0 0	Vaughan	J. Chapman	30 0 0
Scarsdale	Edmund Knights	70 0 0	Violet Town	J. Fivey	40 0 0
Scotchman's Lead	W. L. Clarke	25 0 0	Wahgunyah	R. Kilborn	350 0 0
Sebastopol	F. Dore	180 0 0	Wahring	J. Adams	15 0 0
Serpentine Creek	C. Hutton	30 0 0	Walkalla	W. B. Payter	100 0 0
Seymour	Peter Orr	150 0 0	Wallan Wallan	H. Sinclair	45 0 0
Shady Creek	S. Hodder	148 13 6	Walmer	D. Corbett	15 0 0
Shelbourne	Hy. S. Brett	10 0 0	Wangaratta	Wm. Shields	180 0 0
Shelford	H. M. Wilson	35 0 0	Wanupon	A. Cameron	25 0 0
Shepherd's Flat	Jas. Sandells	10 0 0	Wareek	C. Fitzgerald	10 0 0
Shepparton	F. P. Knight	15 0 0	Warrandyte	A. McDonald	25 0 0
Shirley	H. Kemmis	25 0 0	Warrenheip	J. Day	15 0 0
Skipton	A. M. Elder	45 0 0	Warrenmang	Jno. Croad	10 0 0
Smeaton	A. Dockery	45 0 0	Warrnambool	T. R. Rackham	350 0 0
Smythesdale	John Nicol	180 0 0	Waterloo	T. R. Morgan	15 0 0
Snake Valley	J. Greig	35 0 0	Watgania	A. Glen	20 0 0
Snowy Creek	A. Trench	20 0 0	Wauru Ponds	Oliver Ambler	10 0 0
Somerville	A. C. Dawson	15 0 0	Weatherboard Hill	J. Nicolson	20 0 0
Sorrento	J. Clark	10 0 0	Wedderburn	J. R. Gray	45 0 0
South Yarra	J. Turner	80 0 0	Wehla	J. Brown	30 0 0
Springfield	M. Kenny	15 0 0	Welchman's Reef	M. Morris	15 0 0
Spring Gully	J. Malone	15 0 0	Wendouree	Hy. Martin	10 0 0
Spring Hill	G. Knight	15 0 0	Werracknebal	A. Scott	20 0 0
Springvale	J. Coates	15 0 0	Whim Holes	Danl. Kelly	15 0 0
Springs	W. Barbour	30 0 0	Whipstick	L. Marsden	15 0 0
Staffordshire Reef	J. Landles	20 0 0	White Hills	G. S. Butter	30 0 0
Stanley	J. Mathieson	35 0 0	Whittlesea	J. W. Cairns	35 0 0
Stawell	L. O. Peyton	350 0 0	Whorouly	J. Moore	10 0 0
Stawell West	G. Magnus	80 0 0	Whroo	J. H. Collier	35 0 0
Steiglitz	W. R. Cooper	60 0 0	Wickliffe	G. Harriott	70 0 0
Stockyard Creek	J. W. Wyatt	55 0 0	Wild Duck Creek	G. Murrowood	15 0 0
Stockyard Hill	B. H. Stewart	25 0 0	Williamstown	F. L. Outtrim	180 0 0
Stonyford	C. McCallum	25 0 0	Williamstown Junction	C. Stephens	15 0 0
Strangways	W. H. Mulholland	15 0 0	Winchelsea	W. Stirling	45 0 0
Stratford	T. Lloyd	50 0 0	Windermere	R. Comber	30 0 0
Strathfieldsaye	J. Owen	20 0 0	Winslow	R. T. Chisholm	10 0 0
Strathloddon	P. McHardy	15 0 0	Winton	G. Chandler	15 0 0
Strathmore	J. Spruhan	15 0 0	Wodonga	A. Cheyne	120 0 0
Streatham	F. W. Newenham	120 0 0	Wombat Creek	J. Nicholson	10 0 0
Stuartmill	H. E. Christie	120 0 0	Woodend	R. Nicholson	70 0 0
Sulky Gully	G. Redman	20 0 0	Woodford	J. M. Patison	30 0 0
Sunbury	W. McElwee	45 0 0	Woodside	J. Collins	15 0 0
Sutherland's Creek	D. McCallum	15 0 0	Wood's Point	J. Sinnett	163 6 8
Sutton Grange	John Elphinstone	15 0 0	Woodstock	O. Quin	15 0 0
Swan Hill	W. T. Swann	150 0 0	Woodstock-on-Loddon	H. W. Sinnott	15 0 0
Swift's Creek	B. Johnson	15 0 0	Woolshed	J. McCabe Kerr	10 0 0
Tabilk	J. Wylie	25 0 0	Woolsthorpe	Emily Mackie	20 0 0
Tahara	F. Cussen	10 0 0	Woorndoo	Geo. Nalder	15 0 0
Talagatta	W. Dyring	10 0 0	Wordieboluc	H. Reeves	10 0 0
Talbot	Jas. Colles	350 0 0	Wyndham	F. Schulze	35 0 0
Tallarook	J. Fox	30 0 0	Wyuna	John Vettler	10 0 0
Tangil	C. Gadd	35 0 0	Yackandandah	H. Salkeld	180 0 0
Tarilta	W. L. Ferrier	15 0 0	Yambuk	O. Doherty	20 0 0
Tarnagulla	P. K. Tucker	180 0 0	Yandoit	Chas. Hedges	25 0 0
Taradale	J. B. Mathews	180 0 0	Yangery	W. J. Chalkley	10 0 0
Tarraville	A. Hall	40 0 0	Yapeen	J. Smith	15 0 0
Tarrawingee	T. Ladson	35 0 0	Yarra Flats	J. H. Petty	40 0 0
Tatyoan	J. Crothers	20 0 0	Yarram Yarram	C. Devonshire	15 0 0
Teesdale	J. Todd	20 0 0	Yea	S. A. Wall	50 0 0
Templestowe	J. Field	15 0 0	Yowen Hill	Wm. Hay	35 0 0

APPENDIX C.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

RETURN showing the Interruptions to Telegraphic Communication in Victoria.

Date.	Designation of Line.	Points of Interruption.	Period of Interruption.	Supposed or ascertained Cause of Interruption.
1871.				
January 9	Gippsland Line	Between Sale and Port Albert	1 day	Tree fell on line.
" 12	"	Rosedale and Walhalla	7 hours	"
" 30	Swan Hill Line	"	7	Post blown down.
February 2	Southern Coast Line	Sandridge and Mornington	13	Defect in test-box at Brighton.
" 7	Gippsland Line	Rosedale and Walhalla	10	Tree fell on line.
April 18	Wood's Point Line	Benalla and Mansfield	6	"
May 2	Gippsland Line	Rosedale and Sale	7	"
" 18	Bright Line	Beechworth and Bright	6	"
June 10	Northern Line	Runnymede and Sandhurst	8	Post blown down.
" 21	Western Line	Camperdown and Warrnambool	5	"
" 27	Wood's Point Line	Wood's Point and Gaffney's Creek	1 day	Trees fell on line.
" 28	Gippsland Line	Rosedale and Walhalla	8 hours	"
" "	Cape Otway Line	Geelong and Cape Otway	1 day	"
" 29	"	"	6 hours	"
" 30	North-Eastern Line	Longwood and Seymour	6	"
July 1	Western Line	Camperdown and Warrnambool, and Portland and Mount Gambier	10	"
" 5	Southern Coast Line	Sandridge and Mornington	4	"
" 12	Wood's Point Line	Benalla and Mansfield	6	"
" 15	Gippsland Line	Shady Creek and Rosedale	6	"
" 15, 16	Wood's Point Line	Wood's Point and Gaffney's Creek	2 days	"
" 18	Swan Hill Line	Dunolly and Tarnagulla	6 hours	"
" "	Cape Otway Line	Geelong and Cape Otway	1 day	"
" 18-20	Wood's Point Line	Jamieson and Wood's Point	2½ days	"
" 22	"	Wood's Point and Gaffney's Creek	4 hours	"
" "	Cross Country Line	Daylesford and Castlemaine and Daylesford and Creswick	4	Wire cut purposely by an axe or chisel 4 miles on both sides of Daylesford office.
August 21, 22	Swan Hill Line	"	2 days	Tree fell on line.
" 22	Wood's Point Line	Wood's Point and Gaffney's Creek	1 day	"
" 29, 30	Gippsland Line	Rosedale and Walhalla	12 hours	"
September 11-14	Cape Otway Line	Geelong and Cape Otway	4 days	Several trees blown on line; very heavy storm.
" 15	Wood's Point Line	Benalla and Mansfield	1 day	Tree fell on line.
" 18, 19	Gippsland Line	Rosedale and Walhalla	18 hours	Instrument at Walhalla injured by lightning.
Nov. 15, 16, and 23	Wood's Point Line	Benalla and Jamieson	3 days	Trees fell on line.
" 22	Swan Hill Line	"	9 hours	"
December 4	Wood's Point Line	Benalla and Mansfield	8	"
" 7	Bright Line	Beechworth and Bright	6	"
" 15	Swan Hill Line	Inglewood and Kerang	1 day	"
" "	Wahgunyah Branch Line	Yackandandah and Chiltern	6 hours	"
" 19	Wood's Point Line	Jamieson and Wood's Point	6	"
" 22, 23	"	Mansfield and Jamieson	9½	"
" 29	Swan Hill Line	Inglewood and Kerang	9	"

REMARKS.

January 13.—All lines affected by atmospheric disturbances. Nos. 4 and 6 wires crossed between Geelong and Ballarat.
 February 4.—North-Eastern line crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
 February 14.—North-Eastern line crossed between Longwood and Benalla.
 February 24 and 28.—All lines affected by atmospheric disturbances.
 March 17, 18, and 24.—North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta.
 March 28.—Western lines crossed between Portland and Mount Gambier.
 April 11 and 20.—North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth and Longwood and Benalla.
 May 1 and 6.—All lines affected by atmospheric disturbances.
 May 22, 23, and 29, 30.—Lines crossed between Benalla and Longwood, also crossed between Melbourne and Kilmore.
 June 2 and 9.—Lines crossed between Benalla and Longwood, also between Woodend and Melbourne.
 June 20.—All lines affected by atmospheric disturbances.
 June 23 and 24.—Lines crossed between Beechworth and Wodonga and Benalla and Wangaratta.
 June 27.—Lines crossed between Kilmore and Seymour and Wood's Point and Gaffney's Creek.
 July 1, 2, and 3.—Lines crossed between Longwood and Seymour and Longwood and Benalla.
 July 6.—Lines crossed between Melbourne and Werribee.
 July 14.—Lines crossed between Belfast and Portland.
 July 17.—Lines crossed between Portland and Mount Gambier, also between Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
 July 19 and 20.—Lines crossed between Longwood and Benalla, also between Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
 August 5.—Lines crossed between Geelong and Ballarat and between Benalla and Wangaratta.
 August 28 and 29.—Lines crossed between Geelong and Werribee and Geelong and Colac.

August 29.—Lines crossed between Benalla and Longwood.
 August 30 and 31.—Lines crossed between Benalla and Longwood.
 September 2.—Lines crossed between Wangaratta and Benalla.
 September 27, 28, and 29.—Lines on ground occasionally between Portland and Hamilton and Camperdown and Warrnambool.
 October 4.—Lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta.
 October 5.—Lines on ground occasionally between Benalla and Longwood.
 October 14.—Lines crossed between Benalla and Longwood.
 October 19.—Lines crossed between Geelong and Werribee and Melbourne and Williamstown.
 October 24.—Line on ground between Portland and Hamilton.
 October 24 and 26.—Lines crossed between Benalla and Longwood.
 October 30 and 31, and November 1.—Lines crossed between Portland and Mount Gambier.
 November 8 and 9.—Lines crossed between Longwood and Seymour and Beechworth and Wodonga.
 November 10.—All lines affected by atmospheric disturbances.
 November 28.—Lines crossed between Longwood and Benalla.
 November 29.—Southern Coast line interrupted occasionally.
 December 4 and 5.—Interruption occasionally between Raglan and Ararat and Raglan and Streatham; several posts blown down; also instrument at Streatham injured by lightning.
 December 7.—All lines affected by atmospheric disturbances.
 December 8 and 9.—Lines on ground occasionally between Seymour and Kilmore, and Longwood, Benalla, and Wangaratta.
 December 13.—Lines crossed between Dunolly and Maldon. Interruption between Melbourne and Mornington; defect in instrument at Mornington.
 December 22.—Lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta; also interruption occasionally between Camperdown and Warrnambool.
 December 29 and 30.—Lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta and between Eldorado and Beechworth.

APPENDIX D.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

RETURN showing Particulars relating to the Transmission of Reports of English News from Mount Gambier to Melbourne during the Year 1871.

Commenced.		Finished.		Average Number of Words per Hour.	Remarks as to the Weather, &c.
Date:	Hour and Minute.	Date.	Hour and Minute.		
1871.		1871.			
Jan. 17	7.55 a.m.	Jan. 17	11.23 a.m.	1,800	All lines worked well. Weather fine.
Feb. 15	8.17 p.m.	Feb. 16	1.45 a.m.	1,300	All lines worked well. Weather fine.
March 14	4.15 a.m.	March 14	2 p.m.	700	All lines worked badly. A dense fog westward of Warrnambool. Great atmospheric disturbances, rendering lines unworkable at intervals for periods of from thirty to forty minutes.
April 10	8.35 a.m.	April 10	12.15 p.m.	1,400	All lines worked well.
May 11	7.10 a.m.	May 11	10.25 a.m.	1,800	All lines worked well.
June 4	7.10 p.m.	June 4	9.40 p.m.	1,800	All lines worked well.
July 2	1 a.m.	July 2	6.35 a.m.	1,600	All lines worked well.
July 29	8 p.m.	July 30	12.25 a.m.	1,700	All lines worked well.
Aug. 25	12.10 p.m.	Aug. 25	3.45 p.m.	1,800	All lines worked well.
Sept. 24	2 p.m.	Sept. 24	5.26 p.m.	1,700	All lines worked well.
Oct. 23	11.5 p.m.	Oct. 24	2.30 a.m.	1,800	All lines worked well.
Nov. 27	2.30 a.m.	Nov. 27	6.46 a.m.	1,000	Line worked badly. Atmospheric disturbances.
Dec. 21	-9.30 a.m.	Dec. 21	12.20 p.m.	1,600	Lines worked well.

APPENDIX E.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

List of Post Offices where Telegrams will be received and Transmitted through the nearest Telegraph Station.

Alberton	Campbell's Creek	Guildford	Newbury
Allansford	Caramut	Happy-go-Lucky	Nattie Yallock
Alma	Carlsruhe	Happy Valley	Narrawong
Amphitheatre	Castle Reef	Harrierville	Northcote
Apsley	Cathcart	Harrow	Omeo
Ascot	Cavendish	Hepburn	Ondit
Avenel	Cobden	Heywood	Orford
Axedale	Cressy	Hillsborough	Piggoreet
Alexandra	Charlton	Hinds	Pyalong
Avon Plains	Coghill's Creek	Huntly	Pentridge
Bacchus Marsh	Cooper's Creek	Hawthorn	Prahran
Bairnsdale	Carlton	Heidelberg	Raywood
Balmoral	Caulfield	Indigo	Redbank
Barfold	Darlingford	Inverleigh	Redcastle
Baringhup	Darlington	Jones' Creek	Redjacket
Barker's Creek	Donnelly's Creek	Jordan	Rokewood
Bealiba	Doon	Kingower	Rushworth
Brankholme	Dunkeld	Kingston	Richmond
Break-o'-Day	Deptford	Koroit	Sandford
Bridgewater	Diggersrest	Keilor	Sandy Creek, Ovens
Bridgewater-on-London	Eddington	Kew	Shepparton
Broadford	Edwards' Reef	Lake Bolac	Skipton
Buangor	Eldorado	Lake Hindmarsh	Smeaton
Buckland	Elmhurst	Lancefield	Snowy Creek
Bulldog Flat	Enoch's Point	Landsborough	Stanley
Bullock Creek	Epsom	Lauriston	Stratford
Bungaree	Estcourt	Learmonth	South Yarra
Ballan	Evansford	Leviathan Reef, Black River	Tarrawingee
Barkly	Emerald Hill	Lexton	Ten-mile House
Bendoc	Essendon	Macarthur	Toongabbie
Boggy Creek	Framlingham	Mack's Creek	Traralgon
Burnt Creek	Franklinford	Maidentown	Tylden
Burrumbet	Fryerstown	Marong	Trentham
Byaduk	Flemington	Matlock	Toorak
Bellarine	Footscray	Merino	Upper Dargo
Birregurra	Frankston	Moliagul	Vaughan
Bullarook	Glendaruel	Morton Plains	Violettown
Bruthen	Glengower	Mount Blackwood	Wedderburn
Berwick	Glenlyon	Mount Bolton	Whipstick
Brighton	Glenorchy	Mount Egerton	Wickliffe
Brighton South	Glenthompson	Mount Jeffcott	Wildduck Creek
Brighton East	Golden Point	Myer's Creek	Woolshed
Broadmeadows	Goldsboro' Reef	Moonee Ponds	Winchelsea
Bruswick	Great Western	Morang, Yan Yean	Yambuk
California Gully	Gooley's Creek	Mordialloc	Yandoit
Cambrian Hill	Growler's Creek	Newbridge	Yea

APPENDIX F.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

STATEMENT showing the Names of the several Electric Telegraph Stations and the Lines of Telegraph now in operation in the Colony of Victoria.

Main Lines.	Extent in Miles from the Melbourne Office.	Name of Station.	Branch Line.	Name of Station.	Extent in Miles.
SOUTHERN COAST LINE ..	137	Melbourne General Post Office Williamstown Geelong Queenscliff Point Lonsdale Sandridge Cape Schanck Flinders			
WESTERN COAST LINE ..	303	Mount Gambier Portland Belfast Warrnambool Camperdown Colac	Terang Branch ..	Terang ..	13 from Camperdown
CROSS COUNTRY—WESTERN LINE ..	315	Ballarat .. Beanfort.. Streatham Hexham.. Penshurst Hamilton Coleraine Casterton	Beanfort Branch .. Buninyong Branch .. Linton Branch .. Sebastopol Branch .. Stawell Branch .. Mortlake Branch .. Portland Branch ..	Beaufort .. Buninyong .. Smythesdale .. Linton .. Sebastopol .. Ararat .. Stawell .. Mortlake	28 from Ballarat 7 from Ballarat 23 from Ballarat 3 from Ballarat 49 from Beaufort 9 from Hexham 53 from Hamilton
CAPE OTWAY LINE ..	140	Otway			
CROSS COUNTRY LINE ..	313	Creswick Daylesford Maldon Dunolly Carisbrook Maryborough .. Avoca Stuartmill St. Arnaud	Clunes Branch .. Majorca Branch ..	Talbot .. Clunes .. Majorca ..	20 from Maryborough 11 from Maryborough
SWAN HILL LINE ..	231	Tarnagulla Inglewood Kerang Swan Hill			
NORTHERN LINE ..	156	Collingwood Kyneton Malmsbury Tarnadale Castlemaine .. Sandhurst .. Echuca	Newstead Branch .. Eaglehawk Branch ..	Newstead .. Eaglehawk ..	10 from Castlemaine 5 from Sandhurst
		Kilmore .. Seymour Longwood	Heathcote Branch ..	Heathcote ..	31 from Kilmore 25 from Sandhurst
NORTH-EASTERN LINE ..	200	Benalla .. Wangaratta .. Beechworth .. Wodonga Albury	Wood's Point Branch .. Gaffney's Creek Branch .. Eldorado Branch .. Wahgunyah Branch .. Bright Branch ..	Mansfield .. Jamieson .. Wood's Point .. Gaffney's Creek .. Eldorado .. Yackandandah .. Chiltern .. Wahgunyah .. Rutherglen .. Bright ..	85 from Benalla 12 from Wood's Point 10 from Wangaratta 50 from Beechworth 36 from Beechworth
GIPPSLAND LINE ..	181	Dandenong Shady Creek Rosedale.. Sale .. Port Albert	Walhalla Branch .. Bairnsdale Branch ..	Walhalla .. Bairnsdale ..	32 from Rosedale 43 from Sale
RAILWAY CIRCUIT.					
NORTHERN LINE ..	154	Spencer street Sunbury New Gisborne Woodend Castlemaine Sandhurst Runnymede Echuca		Ballarat Line (1) .. Williamstown Line (1) .. Melbourne to Albury (1) .. Melbourne to Mount Gambier (1) .. Melbourne to Mornington (1) .. Melbourne to St. Kilda (1) .. Melbourne to Emerald Hill .. Melbourne to Richmond .. Ballarat to Creswick .. Castlemaine to Sandhurst ..	97 94 200 303 35 3 1 2 12 22
WESTERN LINE ..	97½	Williamstown Pier Williamstown Junction Werribee Little River Geelong Meredith Ballarat West	SPECIAL WIRES ..		

Showing a total of 100 stations or offices; 2781½ miles of line, provided with 3466 miles of wire.

APPENDIX G.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of Cash Revenue for 1870 and 1871, and Number of Messages Transmitted from each Office during the Year 1871.

Name of Station.	Date of Opening Office.	Number of Messages Transmitted in 1871.	Revenue 1870.	Revenue 1871.	Increase 1871.	Decrease 1871.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Melbourne	Mar. 1854	109,537	10,972 15 7	11,637 2 6	664 6 11	...
Melbourne, General Post Office	April 1869	58,952	3,649 7 11	4,217 13 7	568 5 8	...
Ararat	Nov. 1858	4,900	231 17 5	252 16 7	20 19 2	...
Avoca	Mar. 1859	2,403	129 16 3	140 16 8	11 0 5	...
Bairnsdale	July 1869	3,464	238 12 3	239 2 11	0 10 8	...
Ballarat	Dec. 1856	49,877	3,585 2 10	3,301 0 1	...	284 2 9
Beaufort	Mar. 1858	1,162	63 5 6	63 18 2	0 12 8	...
Beechworth	Jan. 1858	8,391	808 14 0	758 14 11	...	49 19 1
Belfast	Mar. 1858	7,053	393 9 11	358 13 9	...	34 16 2
Benalla	May 1858	2,415	121 2 0	115 4 8	...	5 17 4
Bright	Aug. 1867	2,181	159 17 9	147 1 11	...	12 15 10
Buninyong	Oct. 1862	660	26 6 1	34 2 9	7 16 8	...
Camperdown	Oct. 1863	2,772	246 4 2	207 6 8	...	38 17 6
Cape Otway*	Sep. 1859	720	...	...	...	...
Cape Schanck	Sep. 1861	565	4 7 5	6 8 2	2 0 9	...
Carisbrook	Jan. 1861	954	50 10 6	53 2 2	2 11 8	...
Casterton	July 1865	1,484	111 15 8	95 4 3	...	16 11 5
Castlemaine	Jan. 1857	10,418	461 4 10	606 9 5	145 4 7	...
Chiltern	Mar. 1861	2,083	161 14 4	132 10 1	...	29 4 3
Clunes	Feb. 1861	5,441	402 17 11	339 11 8	...	63 6 3
Colac	Aug. 1863	2,169	120 13 1	142 11 3	21 18 2	...
Coleraine	Aug. 1867	2,227	158 15 11	160 10 4	1 14 5	...
Collingwood	Nov. 1865	2,212	115 12 9	143 0 2	27 7 5	...
Creswick	Aug. 1859	3,029	216 15 10	208 0 10	...	8 15 0
Dandenong	June 1871	390	New Office	20 17 7	20 17 7	...
Daylesford	Aug. 1859	6,594	411 12 9	408 13 11	...	2 18 10
Dunolly	Aug. 1859	2,627	160 19 10	173 8 11	12 9 1	...
Eaglehawk	Oct. 1871	239	New Office	13 1 0	13 1 0	...
Echuca	Dec. 1858	7,189	493 4 11	441 8 6	...	51 16 5
Eldorado	July 1871	1,375	New Office	92 14 8	92 14 8	...
Flinders†	May 1869	392	In Melb. return	6 1 3	6 1 3	...
Gaffney's Creek	May 1871	682	New Office	43 3 2	43 3 2	...
Geelong	Dec. 1854	17,488	1,264 10 8	1,292 7 9	27 17 1	...
Hamilton	Mar. 1861	6,895	449 3 11	457 4 7	8 0 8	...
Heathcote	Oct. 1859	1,404	82 19 9	82 1 7	...	0 18 2
Hexham	April 1858	594	36 4 3	36 2 3	...	0 2 0
Inglewood	Oct. 1861	3,104	131 4 1	168 18 1	37 14 0	...
Jamieson	June 1865	1,850	90 12 9	94 3 3	3 10 6	...
Kerang	Aug. 1863	506	38 9 3	28 19 4	...	9 9 11
Kilmore	Oct. 1857	2,518	120 4 1	125 19 4	5 15 3	...
Kyneton	April 1857	4,574	201 15 2	241 3 1	39 7 11	...
Linton	Oct. 1868	648	39 1 0	39 12 2	0 11 2	...
Longwood	Nov. 1857	1,068	55 7 4	56 11 5	1 4 1	...
Majorca	April 1870	1,009	50 12 5	55 15 8	5 3 3	...
Maldon	Aug. 1859	1,563	102 14 1	110 6 10	7 12 9	...
Malmesbury	Oct. 1865	1,019	43 18 6	45 14 4	1 15 10	...
Mansfield	Nov. 1868	2,724	136 10 11	152 16 11	16 6 0	...
Maryborough	April 1859	5,165	287 9 4	325 5 8	37 16 4	...
Mornington	Mar. 1861	865	33 4 1	47 3 0	13 18 11	...
Mortlake	June 1864	1,650	95 3 4	104 11 9	9 8 5	...
Newstead	Oct. 1863	629	29 12 1	32 7 10	2 15 9	...
Penshurst	Jan. 1867	1,303	68 19 6	79 5 7	10 6 1	...
Port Albert	Dec. 1864	2,893	98 11 5	159 14 2	61 2 9	...
Portland	Feb. 1858	5,067	308 13 8	326 12 0	17 18 4	...
Queenscliff	Jan. 1855	6,655	89 2 4	100 14 0	11 11 8	...
Rosedale	Mar. 1867	1,216	121 6 0	66 17 11	...	54 8 1
Rutherglen	Aug. 1862	1,696	89 5 8	101 4 9	11 19 1	...
St. Arnaud	Jan. 1865	1,528	98 15 4	105 14 5	6 19 1	...
St. Kilda	Feb. 1871	1,335	New Office	104 18 9	104 18 9	...
Sale	Sep. 1864	7,493	506 8 8	560 11 1	54 2 5	...
Sandhurst	Jan. 1857	45,863	1,154 10 5	3,088 11 0	1,934 0 7	...
Sandridge	July 1855	1,078	74 3 10	82 10 9	8 6 11	...
Sebastopol	Jan. 1870	642	26 14 5	36 5 4	9 10 11	...
Seymour	June 1865	1,743	72 0 8	85 4 10	13 4 2	...
Shady Creek	Jan. 1871	442	New Office	24 12 10	24 12 10	...
Smythesdale	June 1863	2,227	107 18 4	120 4 8	12 6 4	...
Stawell	Oct. 1861	5,769	355 17 10	365 10 0	9 12 2	...
Streatham	July 1858	913	48 11 7	53 2 2	4 10 7	...
Stuartmill	Dec. 1869	875	135 0 6	52 0 3	...	83 0 3
Swan Hill	April 1863	1,442	75 1 9	73 19 2	...	1 2 7
Serpentine Creek†	...	...	3 5 0	...	...	3 5 0
Talbot	Dec. 1860	4,192	271 8 3	257 16 11	...	13 11 4
Taradale	Nov. 1861	973	51 10 3	49 3 0	...	2 7 3
Tarnagulla	Nov. 1860	1,674	135 13 1	102 7 3	...	33 5 10
Terang	Nov. 1871	134	New Office	7 5 11	7 5 11	...
Wahgunyah	Feb. 1861	3,538	224 19 8	190 15 7	...	34 4 1
Wahalla	Nov. 1870	5,019	61 10 7	315 2 9	253 12 2	...
Wangaratta	July 1858	4,900	303 2 5	290 6 0	...	12 16 5
Warrnambool	Mar. 1858	12,396	763 5 3	799 7 1	36 1 10	...
Williamstown	Mar. 1854	2,855	182 15 1	207 17 11	25 2 10	...
Wodonga	Jan. 1858	944	83 11 11	59 3 10	...	24 8 1
Wood's Point	Oct. 1865	3,217	163 11 10	188 18 5	25 6 7	...
Yackandandah	Feb. 1861	1,257	96 7 1	77 12 1	...	18 15 0

* The collections included in Melbourne return. —† January to May collections are included in Melbourne return. —‡ Serpentine Station closed 3rd Feb. 1870.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of Cash Revenue for 1870 and 1871, and Number of Messages Transmitted from each Office during the Year 1871—continued.

Name of Station.	Date of Opening Office.	Number of Messages Transmitted in 1871.	Revenue 1870.	Revenue 1871.	Increase 1871.	Decrease 1871
RAILWAY CIRCUIT.						
Ballarat West	July 1863	940	£ s. d. 20 16 4	£ s. d. 19 3 6	£ s. d.	£ s. d. 1 12 10
Castlemaine	July 1863	1,602	19 3 1	20 2 3	0 19 2	...
Echuca	June 1865	4,249	57 15 10	58 15 11	1 0 1	...
Geelong	April 1862	2,996	40 11 8	44 17 0	4 5 4	...
Little River	Nov. 1862	4,282	13 18 4	7 14 10	...	6 3 6
Meredith	April 1867	1,039	35 2 6	28 0 11	...	7 1 7
New Gisborne	July 1868	589	24 11 4	26 17 7	2 6 3	...
Runnymede	June 1865	3,244	56 6 8	54 18 10	...	1 7 10
Sandhurst	July 1863	2,738	37 0 2	73 1 11	36 1 9	...
Spencer street, Melbourne ...	Oct. 1861	9,777	201 4 6	303 16 3	102 11 9	...
Sunbury	Feb. 1867	1,222	13 17 11	25 6 7	11 8 8	...
Werribee	April 1862	6,904	20 6 0	27 14 2	7 8 2	...
Williamstown Junction	April 1862	4,110	3 4 8	4 1 9	0 17 1	...
Williamstown Railway Pier ...	Jan. 1870	1,012	10 0 6	16 16 4	6 15 10	...
Woodend	Oct. 1861	1,585	33 3 5	39 1 6	5 18 1	...
Ravenswood *	...	...	0 10 8	...	...	0 10 8
Point Lonsdale †	Oct. 1861	...	...	...	...	...
			537,398	33,145 10 4	36,941 17 1	4,703 18 0
						907 11 3

* Ravenswood closed March 1870.

† Look-out Shipping Station; no revenue collected.

APPENDIX I.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

STATISTICS of Business from 1854 to 1871, inclusive.

Year.	Cash Revenue.	Charge for Government Telegrams.	Number of Government Telegrams.	Total Number of Telegrams.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
1854 ...	223 2 7	1,037 0 5	1,570	3,869
1855 ...	3,162 13 11	3,074 11 8	2,559	12,241
1856 ...	3,225 13 5	2,422 2 3	2,685	13,174
1857 ...	10,024 16 10	3,023 12 2	6,628	60,058
1858 ...	16,474 17 10	10,126 15 10	17,834	131,486
1859 ...	25,249 17 0	21,301 8 7	31,699	197,320
1860 ...	24,955 18 2	21,270 12 2	49,918	167,872
1861 ...	25,217 5 4	8,566 13 11	40,818	184,688
1862 ...	26,834 19 8	15,466 0 9	49,038	211,685
1863 ...	25,768 15 8	18,289 8 2	78,038	234,520
1864 ...	30,601 17 11	14,375 12 0	71,939	256,380
1865 ...	35,767 17 4	11,546 19 3	68,946	279,741
1866 ...	36,178 17 4	12,899 16 0	63,506	277,787
1867 ...	29,148 12 2	6,588 18 0	59,887	235,648
1868 ...	31,058 6 8	9,916 1 11	57,047	276,677
1869 ...	34,183 0 5	10,460 10 7	57,966	277,132
1870 ...	33,145 10 4	5,996 12 9	60,634	454,598
1871 ...	36,941 17 1	5,244 7 7	63,877	537,398
Total ...	428,163 19 8	181,607 4 0	784,589	3,812,274

APPENDIX J.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

EXPENDITURE under control of Public Works Department.

Total Expenditure for Lines, Stations, &c., up to 31st December 1870	£ s. d. 299,873 1 5
EXPENDITURE DURING 1871.	
Main Extension of Lines 1st January to 30th June	£1,968 13 4
(computed) 1st July to 31st December	2,250 0 0*
	4,218 13 4
New Buildings and Repairs to Existing Buildings, 1st January to 30th June	£3,709 10 3
(computed) 1st July to 31st December	2,500 0 0*
	6,209 10 3
	10,428 3 7
CURRENT EXPENDITURE DURING 1871.	
Rent of Market Square Telegraph Office and Insurance	810 4 0
Rent of Temporary Offices	1,199 0 0
	2,009 4 0

* Owing to the change in the Financial Year, the expenditure to 31st December can only be approximately stated.

APPENDIX K.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

RETURN showing Net Revenue from 1st January to 31st December 1871.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Cash receipts paid into Treasury from 1st January to 31st December 1871 ...	36,941	17	1			
Less amount due to other Colonies on account of intercolonial business for same period:						
New South Wales £2,033 17 2						
South Australia 165 12 0						
Bass Cable Company 892 17 4						
	3,092	6	6			
Amount due by other Colonies on account of intercolonial business for same period:				33,849	10	7
Queensland £59 0 3						
Tasmania 48 14 9						
	107	15	0	107	15	0
				33,957	5	7

APPENDIX L.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

STATEMENT showing the Amount of Business Transmitted through the Bass's Straits Cable.
From 1st January to 31st December 1871.

Date.	Number of Messages.	Value.
1st January to 31st December 1871	8,126	£3,430 15s. 4d.

APPENDIX M.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

EXTENSION of Telegraph Lines in other Colonies during 1871, and Lines in progress.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Extension of line from Bathurst to Carcoar, 31½ miles.	Proposed line from Tamworth to Fort Bourke.
" " Penrith to Bathurst (third wire), 103½ miles.	" " Cassillis to Coolah.
" " Mudgee to Gulgong, 11 miles.	" " Grafton to Laurence.
" " Wyandah to Casino, 19 miles.	
" " Tambaroora to Hill End, 2 miles.	
" " Maitland to Armidale (second wire).	

QUEENSLAND.

Length of lines in 1871, 2,229 miles.	Proposed line from Springsure <i>vid</i> Tambo and Charleville, following course of the Warrego to Cunannella, 380 miles.
Extension of line from Cardwell to Normanton, 393 miles.	" " Roma to St. George, 115 miles.
" " Warwick to Gondiwindi, 144 miles.	" " to Ravenswood, 50 miles.
" " Clermont to Springsure, 105 miles.	

TASMANIA.

Extension of line to New Norfolk, 9 miles.	Proposed, <i>nil</i> .
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SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

No extension of line during 1871 except the Adelaide and Port Darwin line, which will probably be completed about the end of July 1872. No definite information has been received as to progress made up to present time. The length of this line from Adelaide to Port Darwin will be about 1,660 miles, with 12 stations in circuit.	Proposed, <i>nil</i> .
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APPENDIX N.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

EUROPE AND THE EAST.

BRITISH, INDIAN, AND AUSTRALIAN TELEGRAPH ROUTE.

	No of Miles.	Cable Laid.	
Falmouth to Gibraltar <i>via</i> Lisbon	1,061	1,154	
Gibraltar to Malta	1,008	1,120	
Malta to Alexandria	828	924	
Alexandria to Suez	224	...	Land line.
Suez to Aden	1,346	1,462	
Aden to Bombay	1,662	1,819	
Bombay to Madras	600	...	"
Madras to Penang	1,280	1,409	
Penang to Singapore	399	405	
Singapore to Batavia	553	565	
Batavia to Banjoewang	480	...	"
Banjoewang to Port Darwin	1,030	1,186	
Port Darwin to Port Augusta, S.A.	1,400	...	"
Port Augusta to Adelaide	200	...	"
Adelaide to Mount Gambier	300	...	"
Mount Gambier to Melbourne	303	...	"
	12,734	10,044	
Total length of cable, including slack		10,044 miles	
Ditto land line		3,567 "	
Total		13,611 "	

The cable between Banjoewang and Port Darwin was laid on the 17th November 1871, and now only awaits the completion of the South Australian land line in order to place the Australian colonies in telegraphic communication with Europe, America, and the East.