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REPORT.

The business transacted in the Department during the past year has been important and extensive, as the following pages will show.

The contract between the Postmaster-General of Victoria and the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company was commenced in January, and has been so far successfully carried out with satisfactory pecuniary results. (*See* page 22.)

Considerable additions have been made to the contracts for the conveyance of inland mails, and many alterations in the services have been rendered necessary by the extension of the railway lines.

Several new Electric Telegraph lines have been erected and offices opened in connection therewith.

New Post Offices have been opened in various parts of the country, and receiving-houses established in Fitzroy and Collingwood.

Letter deliveries have been extended and additional iron receiving-pillars erected in Melbourne and other places.

A most important step has been taken in establishing a code for regulating the appointment, promotion, and pay of sorters, letter-carriers, messengers, and others, according to which none but men or boys of some education, who have passed a medical examination, and who are of suitable age, are eligible for appointment to any of the offices named. A scale of pay has been adopted by which an annual increase is assured by service with good conduct, and other advantages (which will be found fully detailed in Appendix F), are bestowed on those who are affected by the regulations in question, which, it is anticipated, will also be highly beneficial to the public service. The immediate effect of the change has been an increased expenditure, but it is confidently expected that it will in the future prove to be an economical arrangement.

Revenue and Expenditure.

Revenue.

There has been an increase in postage collections over 1873. The gross amount is as follows, omitting fractions :—

1873	...	...	£148,061
1874	...	...	154,097

showing an excess of £6,036, or, say, four per cent.

The reduction in the Intercolonial ship rate from threepence to twopence has occasioned a falling off under this head, and the loss on account of inland newspapers, consequent on the reduction of the postage thereon, which took place on the 1st July last, is still shown in comparing the revenue of 1874 with the previous year. The fall in these items together, it is estimated, amounts to £2,500.

There has been a falling off in the Telegraph revenue, notwithstanding the largely increased facilities afforded to the public. The following are the figures :—

1873	...	...	£45,322
1874	...	...	42,825

showing a decrease of five and a half per cent., which may chiefly be ascribed to the dulness which has prevailed in mining business (*see* Revenue Returns from Principal Goldfields' Offices, pages 13 and 14) ; and it may be taken as significant of this fact that the use of private wires for the transmission of mining intelligence to brokers' offices has in several cases been discontinued.

Expenditure.

There has been an increase in the gross expenditure over the year 1873 of £11,720, caused by increments under the Civil Service Act and the new regulations referred to above, increased salaries and allowances to telegraph operators, country postmasters, and others, overtime allowances, increased numerical strength of the staff, increased cost of inland mail service, and of stores, and by the purchase of telegraph materials for stock; the principal details of which are given in the estimates of expenditure for the period.

The following is a statement of the revenue and expenditure for the year 1874 :—

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	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	154,097	10	7	Salaries and wages, occasional assistance, and overtime				135,011	14	8
Electric telegraph collections, including amount collected on account of other colonies and the Submarine Cable Company	42,825	9	7	Contingencies*				27,628	7	5
Deficit	104,959	7	1	Commission to licensed vendors of postage stamps				2,584	0	7
				Mail service (inland), including landing and shipping mails				98,737	16	9
				Gratuities to masters of vessels				2,061	17	9
				Estimated amount of postal collections on account of other Governments ...				3,300	0	0
				Steam postal communication with Great Britain†				31,955	0	0
				Electric telegraph collections on account of Submarine Cable Company	931	7	3			
				South Australia	94	1	5			
					1,025	8	8			
				Due by other colonies ...	421	18	7			
								603	10	1
£	301,882	7	3				£	301,882	7	3

* The sum of £24,134 0s. 10d. has also been expended on telegraph lines, an expenditure which was formerly defrayed by the Public Works Department.

† As nearly as can be ascertained; accounts not all received.

NOTE.—This account does not include the value of the business performed by the Post Office for the other Government Departments, which is estimated to exceed £30,000 per annum.

RETURN showing the Estimated Number of Inland Letters, Packets, and Newspapers Posted in the Colony of Victoria, also the Number of Ship Letters, Packets, and Newspapers Despatched and Received, during the Years 1873 and 1874 respectively.

Number of Post Offices.	Years.	Inland Letters.	SHIP LETTERS. Despatched. Colonial.	SHIP LETTERS. Despatched. British and Foreign.	SHIP LETTERS. Received. Colonial.	SHIP LETTERS. Received. British and Foreign.	Total Letters.	Increase 1874 over 1873.
	1873	12,342,000	475,632	515,722	617,092	524,639	14,475,085	8¾ per cent.
	1874	13,250,000	597,792	527,046	797,213	566,837	15,738,888	

Number of Post Offices.	Years.	Inland Packets.	SHIP PACKETS. Despatched. Colonial.	SHIP PACKETS. Despatched. British and Foreign.	SHIP PACKETS. Received. Colonial.	SHIP PACKETS. Received. British and Foreign.	Total Packets.	Increase 1874 over 1873.
1873.—764	1873	594,591	33,245	15,058	13,593	50,829	707,316	79½ per cent.
1874.—802	1874	1,116,755	53,287	16,703	18,179	64,898	1,269,822	

Years.	Inland Newspapers.	SHIP NEWSPAPERS. Despatched. Colonial.	SHIP NEWSPAPERS. Despatched. British and Foreign.	SHIP NEWSPAPERS. Received. Colonial.	SHIP NEWSPAPERS. Received. British and Foreign.	Total Newspapers.	Increase 1874 over 1873.
1873	3,524,857	451,950	591,760	330,135	1,181,305	6,080,007	13 per cent.
1874	4,123,200	530,242	595,961	400,145	1,217,370	6,866,918	

Number of letters registered in Victoria in 1873 145,207
Ditto ditto 1874 ... ... 152,089 } Increase 1874 over 1873, 4 7/10 per cent.

NOTE.—The very large increase in the number of inland packets has been caused by the reduction in the minimum rate under *The Post Office Amendment Statute* 1873, from 2d. to 1d., which has induced the transmission by post of trade circulars, &c.

Dead and Irregularly Posted Letters.

Return showing the Number of Letters, &c., received and dealt with in the Dead Letter Office during the Year 1874.

Year.	Received.				How dealt with.		
	Unclaimed.		Irregularly Posted.	Total.	Returned, Delivered, &c.	Destroyed and on Hand.	Total.
	Victorian.	Intercolonial and Foreign.					
1874	94,533	13,421	14,836	122,790	110,473	12,317	122,790

Note.—One thousand and five (1,005) registered letters are included in these numbers, 171 of which contained enclosures of value (amount shown below), 4 covered articles, and 830 were without valuable contents, or the value thereof was not known to the Department.

Forty-five (45) ordinary letters also contained articles of value. Six letters with articles on hand at close of year.

Ninety-four (94) letters were posted during the year with obscene or libellous addresses.

One hundred and forty-three (143) of the "Irregularly Posted" letters did not bear any names or addresses whatever, and 1,853 but imperfect addresses, *i.e.*, wanting either name or address; these letters could not, in consequence, be sent to the intended destinations. Some of them enclosed value. The remainder under this heading were unpaid or insufficiently paid letters, including 754 valentines.

One hundred and forty-eight (148) letters were ascertained to bear wrong addresses; some of these also contained enclosures, to the value of over £300. The errors of the senders in these cases were corrected where practicable, and where that was not possible, the letters were returned or otherwise dealt with. Ninety-five (95) envelopes without correspondence covered enclosures to the value of over £3,000.

Two thousand two hundred and seventeen (2,217) letters were "refused" by the persons addressed, mainly on account of postal charges. This shows an increase of over 1,300 letters more than in the previous year. Some of these letters also contained value. Fifty-one (51) letters and 23 packets and papers were posted in violation of the Postal Regulations. In addition to the above number of letters, 5,748 packets were also dealt with.

Return showing the Number of Registered and Unregistered Letters containing Value received and dealt with in the Dead Letter Office during the Year 1874.

Year 1874.	Received.						How dealt with.							
	Registered.		Ordinary.		Total.		Returned, Delivered, &c.		Paid into Treasury from 112 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 ...	105	188 6 7	453	442 9 4	*558	630 15 11	423	543 10 4	112	56 10 7	23	30 15 0
Cheques, Drafts, &c. ...	66	1,467 4 2	638	18,136 1 3½	†704	19,603 5 5½	676	17,569 17 8½	...	...	28	2,033 7 9
Totals ...	171	1,655 10 9	1,091	18,578 10 7½	1,262	20,234 1 4½	1,099	18,113 8 0½	112	56 10 7	51	2,064 2 9

* Includes 98 letters, enclosing £50 1s. 3d., balance from 1873, brought forward.——† Includes 13 letters, enclosing £54 16s. 4d., dealt with from 1873, brought forward.

New Post and Telegraph Offices.

Forty-one new Post Offices were opened in 1874 at the undermentioned places :—

Balmattum	Doma Mungi	Kewell	Port Campbell
Balwyn	Doogalook	Kialla	Queensferry
Bobinawarrah	Forbes	Lorne	St. Huberts
Bonang	Forest Hill	Lyndhurst South	Sebastian
Boneo	Golden Gully	Mandurang	Swift's Creek
Boort	Graham's Hill	Mount Noorat	Junction
Bulgoback	Hurdle Flat	Murtoa	Torrumbarry
Bullarto	Irrewillipe	Myrtle Creek	Upper King River
Christmas Hill	Ivanhoe	Natimuk Creek	Wandin Yalloak
Corryong	Jarklin	North Barnawartha	Yarrawonga.
Derricull Creek	Kergunyah		

The Post Office at Warburton, which was closed in July 1865, has been re-opened.

Receiving-houses have been established at Fitzroy, North Fitzroy, and North Collingwood.

Four Post Offices were closed, viz. :—Cobbler's Gully, Hoddle's Creek, King Parrot Creek, and Redan Bridge.

The names of the following offices have been changed :—Bontherambo to "Springhurst;" Godfrey's Creek to "Gobur;" Major Plains to "Devenish;" Oxley Plains to "Milawa;" Brandy Creek to "Buln-Buln;" Bulldog Flat to "Illabarook;" Coy's Diggings to "Baillieston;" Whim Holes to "Enfield;" Whipstick to "Neilborough;" Hovell's Creek to "Lara;" Cockatoo to "Narrigal;" McCullum's Creek to "Craigie;" Hit-or-Miss to "Kooroocheang;" Growler's Creek to "Wandiligong;" and Donnybrook to "Kalkallo."

Birregurra, Sorrento, Winchelsea, Murchison, Rushworth, Caramut, Lancefield, Romsey, Learmonth, Ballan, and Bacchus Marsh, have been opened as combined Post and Telegraph Offices.

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

Edenthope	Malvern	Romsey	Wedderburn.
Gaffney's Creek			

The Post Office Savings Bank at Morang South, opened on the 24th November 1873, was closed on the 1st July 1874.

Money Order Offices have been established in connection with the Post Offices at the following places :—

Barnawartha	Burke's Flat	Malvern	Shepparton
Bealiba	Dookie South	Morang	Sorrento.
Buln-Buln	Griffith's Point		

Money Order Offices have also been opened in connection with the Receiving Houses at Fitzroy, North Fitzroy, and North Collingwood, respectively.

Telegraphic communication has been extended to the undermentioned places :—

Bacchus Marsh	Caramut	Murchison	Sorrento
Ballan	Lancefield	Romsey	Winchelsea.
Birregurra	Learmonth	Rushworth	

The number of Post Offices on the 31st December was 802.

The boundaries of the letter delivery at Emerald Hill have been extended about half a mile further in the direction of Sandridge, which arrangement has necessitated the employment of an additional letter-carrier.

A second daily delivery of letters by carrier has been established at Kew.

Buildings.—General Post Office.

In order to provide further accommodation, and to mitigate in some measure the daily increasing inconvenience resulting from want of space to carry on the business of the Department, it has been found necessary to rent additional premises adjoining the General Post Office reserve, and also a store in Bourke street west.

The reserve at the corner of Elizabeth and Victoria streets, hitherto in the permissive occupation of the Corporation of the City of Melbourne, has been resumed by the Government, and transferred to the Post Office and Telegraph Department, for the storage of poles, and the erection of sheds and workshops.

Other Buildings.

The new buildings at Avoca, Buninyong, Eaglehawk, Majorca, Seymour, and Wangaratta, have been completed and occupied.

At Casterton, Coleraine, and Stawell, new offices, with quarters, have been built, and will be ready for occupation early in 1875.

The public building at Castlemaine, part of which is to be used as Post and Telegraph Offices, is completed, with the exception of the necessary fittings and furniture.

Extensive additions will be made to the office at Warrnambool. At Echuca it has been found necessary to enlarge the building, the duties of the Receiver and Paymaster having been added to those of Postmaster and Telegraph Manager.

Premises have been rented in Market Buildings, William street, to which the West Melbourne Branch Office has been transferred from the Custom House.

Buildings have been purchased at Avenel and Stuartmill, and land at Nagambie.

At Bacchus Marsh, Bairnsdale, Ballan, Horsham, Nagambie, Rushworth, and Winchelsea, premises have been rented for Post Offices and Telegraph Stations.

Additions, alterations, and repairs have been effected, or will shortly be in progress, at Ballarat, Beechworth, Belfast, Cape Otway, Cape Schanck, Clunes, Colac, Collingwood, Inglewood, Jamieson, Kilmore, Kyneton, Longwood, Maldon, Maryborough, Mornington, Portland, Sandhurst, Smythesdale, Tarnagulla, Walhalla, Williamstown, and Yackandandah.

Seven iron receiving-pillars have been erected in Melbourne and the suburbs, one at Geelong, and one at Sandhurst.

Postage Stamps.

A new halfpenny stamp was issued on the 10th February.

One hundred new postage stamp licenses were issued, and fourteen revoked, making the total number at the close of the year Five hundred and thirty, being an increase over last year of 19·36 per cent.

An increase in the staff of this branch has been made by the appointment of an assistant clerk.

The following is a statement showing the Denomination, Number, and Value of Postage Stamps manufactured and issued at the General Post Office during the year 1874 :—

Manufactured.			Issued.		
Denomination.	Number.	Value.	Denomination.	Number.	Value.
		£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Halfpenny stamps	4,536,000	9,450 0 0	Halfpenny stamps	3,501,652	7,295 2 2
One penny stamps	1,842,000	7,675 0 0	One penny stamps	2,539,954	10,583 2 10
Twopenny stamps	11,076,000	92,300 0 0	One penny stamped newspaper wrappers	16,227	67 12 3
Twopenny stamped envelopes ...	54,077	450 12 10	Twopenny stamps	11,943,713	99,530 18 10
Twopence-farthing stamped envelopes	1,200	11 5 0	Twopenny stamped envelopes	54,077	450 12 10
Threepenny stamps	540,000	6,750 0 0	Twopence-farthing stamped envelopes	3,636	34 1 9
Fourpenny stamps	408,000	6,800 0 0	Threepenny stamps	181,404	2,267 11 0
Sixpenny stamps	960,000	24,000 0 0	Fourpenny stamps	154,997	2,583 5 8
Ninepenny stamps	120,000	4,500 0 0	Sixpenny stamps	584,450	14,611 5 0
One shilling stamps	65,640	3,282 0 0	Ninepenny stamps	89,944	3,372 18 0
One shilling stamped telegraph forms	1,129	56 9 0	One shilling stamps	78,406	3,920 6 0
Two shilling stamps	12,000	1,200 0 0	One shilling stamped telegraph forms	1,169	58 9 0
			Two shilling stamps ...	11,234	1,123 8 0
			Five shilling stamps	5,448	1,362 0 0
Totals	19,616,046	156,475 6 10	Totals	19,166,311	147,260 13 4

Inland Mails.

The amount paid for conveyance of Inland Mails, 1874 (exclusive of £11,000 paid to the Department of Railways), was £88,247 9s. 1d., and the gross number of miles travelled with the mails (deducting 805,620 miles travelled by rail) was 3,147,857, at an average cost of 6⅔d. per mile.*

Additions and alterations in the Inland Mail arrangements during the year 1874.

To and from Kiewa and Kergunyah two days a week from 12th January 1874.

To and from Violettown and Kialla, by way of Costello's and Keady's, once a week from 2nd January 1874.

To and from Sutton Grange and Myrtle Creek two days a week from 10th January 1874.

To and from Shepparton and Mooroopna two days a week from 1st January.

To and from Cobden and Port Campbell once a week from 17th March.

To and from Magpie and Sebastopol six days a week from 1st January.

To and from Wodonga and Albury six days a week from 26th January (opening of railway).

Deviation to and from Corryong, in Tintaldra and Koetong service, from 1st February.

Additional three days a week frequency between Yackandandah and Albury from 2nd March.

Additional once a day frequency between Post Office and Railway Station, Rochester, from 3rd March.

To and from Dean's Marsh and Lorne two days a week from 29th April.

Fitzroy and Collingwood letter-boxes cleared by two vehicles in lieu of by one from 19th February.

* Contracts for most of the Inland Mail Services have been entered into for three years from 1st July 1875, at a reduced rate of 10 per cent. and upwards on the tenders for the financial year 1875–6, by which means a saving will be effected on the two additional years 1876–7–8 of about £15,000, or 15 per cent. per annum.
This reduces the mileage average rate for 1875–6–7–8 to about 6½d. per mile.

Additional mail service once a week between Marysville and Alexandra from 1st March.
To and from Box Hill and Forest Hill (Delany's Road) three days a week from 1st March.
Additional letter-carrier conveyed between Melbourne and South Yarra daily from 23rd February.
To and from Barnawartha and North Barnawartha three days a week from 4th April.
To and from Echuca and Torrumbarry once a week from 4th April.
To and from Cowes and Newhaven once a week from 7th April.
To and from Newhaven and Griffith's Point once a week from 7th April.
To and from Melbourne and Northcote six days a week from 27th April.
To and from Moyhu and Upper King River once a week from 1st May.
Two additional letter-carriers conveyed between Melbourne and Sandridge from 14th February.
To and from Wedderburn and Boort, by way of Wychetella, once a week from 14th August.
Clearance of letter-boxes in East and West Melbourne once a day additional, consequent on alteration in Sandhurst trains, from 7th July to 10th August.
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Creswick, four times a day from 1st August.
To and from Echuca and Torrumbarry once a week additional from 12th August.
To and from Ballarat and Sulky Gully, by way of Mount Rowan, six days a week from 1st August.
Portion of mail service between Ballarat and Creswick by coach discontinued from 1st August (opening of railway).
To and from Ballarat and Cardigan six days a week from 11th August.
Portion of mail service between Ballarat and Beaufort discontinued from 11th August (opening of railway).
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Beaufort, from 11th August.
Additional six days a week frequency betweeen Beaufort and Stawell West from 11th August.
To and from Birregurra and Dean's Marsh once a week additional, 20th August.
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Trawalla, four times a day from 11th August.
Deviation consequent on loose bag being made up at Leigh Road for Murgheboluc State School from 13th August.
Conveyance of additional letter-carrier between Melbourne and Gardiner's Creek Road from 1st July.
To and from Daylesford and Bullarto, by way of Musk Creek, two days a week from 1st September
Yarra Track mails for Matlock and Wood's Point, conveyed to and from Melbourne *viâ* Lilydale, in lieu of *viâ* Kangaroo Ground and Yarra Flats, from 1st July.
To and from Guildford and Daylesford (in lieu of to and from Castlemaine and Daylesford), consequent on opening of railway to Maryborough, from 7th July.
To and from Creswick and Daylesford (in lieu of to and from Ballarat and Daylesford), consequent on opening of railway from Ballarat to Creswick, in consequence of which portion of day coach service between Ballarat and Creswick was dispensed with, from 20th July.
Deviation to and from Talgarno (between Bethanga and Bungil), in connection with Kiewa and Upper Murray mail service, from 1st September.
To and from Beeac and Camel Springs two days a week additional from 1st September.
To and from Birregurra and Murroon one day a week additional from 3rd September.
The service between the Post Office and Railway Station, Carisbrook, performed by messenger from 21st September.
The night service between Maldon and Maryborough, *viâ* Baringhup, discontinued from 7th July.
The day service between Castlemaine and Maryborough, *viâ* Carisbrook and Moolort, discontinued from 7th July (opening of railway).
The night service between Maldon and Dunolly, *viâ* Eddington and Burnt Creek, discontinued from 21st September.
Service between Creswick and Clunes dicontinued from 17th November.
Deviation to and from Happy Valley, in connection with Creswick and Dean service, from 24th September.

To and from Stanley and Hurdle Flat six days a week from 19th September.
To and from Wangaratta and Cobram, by way of Kilawarra, Peechelba, Bandalong, Yarrawonga, and Burramine, once a week from 17th October.
To and from St. Arnaud and Donald one day a week additional service from 6th October.
To and from Benalla and Hill Plain, by way of Rowan's Swamp, once a week from 16th October.
To and from Wharparilla and Terrick-terrick two days a week from 7th October.
To and from Maryborough and Dunolly, by way of Havelock and Bet-bet, six days a week from 21st September to 5th October.
Deviation, consequent on Burnt Creek Post Office being supplied in connection with Castlemaine and Dunolly day service, from 21st September.
To and from Gong-gong and Brown Hills six days a week from 14th September.
To and from Lower Reedy Creek and Strath Creek two days a week from 14th September.
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Dunolly, four times a day from 6th October.
To and from Brunswick and Coburg once a day additional from 8th October.
To and from Castlemaine and Campbell's Creek once a day additional from 8th October.
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Bet-bet, four times a day from 6th October.
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Havelock, four times a day from 6th October.
Additional daily mail (summer arrangements) between Geelong and Queencliff from 1st November.
The Yarra Flats and Lilydale service, *viâ* St. Huberts, reduced from six to three days a week from 1st November.
To and from Yarra Flats and Eltham, by way of Kangaroo Ground, three days a week; and to and from Yarra Flats and Kangaroo Ground, by way of Christmas Hill, three days a week, from 1st November.
To and from Oxley Plains and Hurdle Creek two days a week from 1st November.
To and from Strathfieldsaye and Mandurang three days a week from 10th November.
To and from Shepparton and Dookie South, by way of Pine Lodge and Sumptor's Store, once a week from 24th November.
To and from Creswick and Maryfield, by way of Glendonald, six days a week from 16th November.
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Clunes, four times a day from 16th November.
Post Office, Elaine, removed to another site from 1st October.
To and from Baringhup and Nuggety Reef once a day from 7th December.
Post Office, Stockyard Hill, removed to another site from 4th August.
Letter-box at Coburg cleared once a day additional from 1st January.
Additional mails to and from Post Office and Railway Station, Creswick, daily from 16th November.
Letter-boxes at Brunswick cleared twice daily additional from 19th November.
The mail service between Wangaratta and Glenrowan discontinued after 31st December 1874.
To and from Melbourne and Albury twice daily from 26th January.
To and from Jamieson and Melbourne additional mail once a week from 28th February.
Darlingford mail despatched, *viâ* Marysville, only three days a week from 28th February.
Kiewa and Osborne's Flat mails daily from 1st March.
Rochester mails twice daily from 3rd March.
Footscray mails twice daily from 28th March.
Griffith's Point and Newhaven mails once a week additional from 7th April.
Northcote mails twice a day from 27th April.
Yackandandah mails three times a week additional (*viâ* Barnawartha) from 22nd June.
Yarra Flats mails daily, *viâ* Lilydale, from 1st July.
Donald and Avon Plains mails three days a week, in lieu of two days a week, *viâ* Glenorchy, from 1st July.
Trunk Lead mails daily, in lieu of three days a week, from 1st July.
Mount Mercer daily, in lieu of three days a week, 1st July.
Cavendish, Balmoral, Edenhope, Harrow, and Apsley, three days a week, in lieu of two days a week, 1st July.

Framlingham mails despached *viâ* Panmure from 1st July.
Gnarwarre mails daily, in lieu of three days a week, from 1st July.
The 10.50 a.m. clearance, East and West Melbourne, dispensed with, and in lieu thereof a clearance effected at 11.55 a.m. and 12.10 p.m. respectively.
Corop mails despatched *viâ* Runnymede, in lieu of *viâ* Rochester.
Clydesdale mails three days a week, in lieu of daily, from 1st July.
Nagambie and Tabilk mails twice daily, in lieu of once a day, from 1st July.
Flinders mails three days a week, in lieu of two, from 1st July.
Lal-lal mails twice daily from 24th June.
An additional daily mail despatched from Longwood for Melbourne from 1st July.
Kangaroo Ground and Yarra Flats mails three days a week, in lieu of daily hence, in consequence of Wood's Point mails being conveyed *viâ* Lilydale, from 1st July.
Diamond Hill mails despatched *viâ* Sandhurst, in lieu of *viâ* Kangaroo Flat.
Burke's Flat mails daily, in lieu of three days a week, from 1st July.
Napoleons, Black Lead, and Scotchman's Lead mails daily, in lieu of three days a week, from 1st July.
Consequent upon opening of railway from Castlemaine to Maryborough, and from Ballarat to Creswick, on the 7th July, the evening mails for Sandhurst, Castlemaine, &c., were closed one hour earlier than usual, in consequence of which the whole of the afternoon suburban services had to be altered accordingly; the afternoon mails from Sandhurst, &c., &c., arrived in town also one hour earlier than formerly, and the Ballarat afternoon mails were also due here half an hour earlier than originally.
Mails for Yandoit, Shepherd's Flat, Franklinford, and Hepburn, forwarded by train *viâ* Guildford.
Major Plains additional mail *viâ* Benalla.
Receiving-boxes in the suburbs cleared in the afternoon one hour earlier, in order that letters, &c., may reach the General Post Office at 3 p.m.
Torrumbarry mails twice a week, in lieu of once a week, from 12th August.
From the 11th August the evening mails for Castlemaine and Sandhurst closed at 5 p.m., in lieu of 4.30 p.m., owing to later departure of train.
Owing to opening of railway to Beaufort on 11th August, the Ararat and Stawell, &c., &c., mails, hitherto due in Melbourne by first morning train from Ballarat, were delivered in town by night train of the day previous; and mails, twice a day, were forwarded to and from Beaufort, Ararat, Stawell, and Stawell West.
From the 11th August the evening mails for Castlemaine and Sandhurst closed at 5.30 p.m., for despatch per 7.15 p.m. train, as originally
The clearance of boxes in East and West Melbourne at 3.50 and 3.47 p.m., respectively, discontinued, owing to resumption of 7.15 p.m. train for Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
Dean's Marsh mails three days a week, in lieu of two days a week, from 19th August.
Mails for and from Armstrongs, Great Western, Shirley, Eurambeen, Dobie's Bridge, twice daily from 20th August.
Murroon mails three times a week, in lieu of two, from 3rd September.
The afternoon Castlemaine and Sandhurst, &c., mails arrived at 3.30 p.m., in lieu of 3.10 p.m., from 1st September.
During the last few days of August and up to the 14th September, the Matlock and Wood's Point mails could not be forwarded *viâ* Yarra Track, owing to depth of snow.
Weatherboard Hill mails twice daily from 11th September.
Havelock and Bet Bet mails forwarded per train, on opening of line to Dunolly, from 21st September.
Additional mail for and from Terrick, *viâ* Echuca and Wyuna, from 7th October.
Donald and Cope Cope mails, *viâ* St. Arnaud, three days a week, in lieu of twice a week, from 5th October.
On the 6th October further alterations in trains caused mails closing at 2.45 p.m. to close for train leaving at 3.45 p.m for Echuca, &c., and mails from Sandhurst, &c., due at 3.20 p.m., did not reach here until 4 p.m.; this alteration necessitated the mails for Dunolly and Maryborough districts being closed at 2.45 p.m. for transmission per train; but to admit of letters, &c., for the places last referred to being posted up to 5.30 p.m., the coach service from Maryborough to Dunolly, on arrival of mail from Clunes, was continued.

Coburg mails twice daily, in lieu of once, from 8th October.
Mails to and from Campbell's Creek twice a day resumed from 8th October.
Cobram mails once a week additional (*viâ* Wangaratta) from 16th October.
Mails to and from Queenscliff twice a day during summer season from 1st November.
Additional mails from Melbourne to Kangaroo Ground three days a week from 1st November.
Yarra Flats mails daily, in lieu of three days a week, from 1st November.
Castlemaine and Sandhurst mails due at 3.40 p.m., in lieu of 4.10 p.m., from 1st November.
The Stawell, Horsham, Ararat, &c., mails closed at 3.40 p.m., in lieu of at 5.30 p.m., and above line of mails due here at 10.31 a.m., in lieu of 3.25 p.m., from 1st November.
The afternoon despatch of Suburban mails ten minutes later from 1st November.
Green's Creek mails daily from 18th November.
Talbot, Clunes, &c., mails forwarded at night, per rail, to Clunes from 16th November, on opening of railway from Creswick to Clunes, and in the morning per first train to Maryborough.
Mails for Leigh Road twice daily from 16th November.
Shepparton mails once a week additional from 23rd November.
St. Huberts mails daily from 20th November.
Additional mail for and from Baringhup (in connection with Nuggety Reef service) from 5th December.
Mails for and from Melbourne and Keilor despatched by rail, *viâ* Keilor Road Station, as formerly, in lieu of direct by coach, from 22nd December.

Electric Telegraph.

Additional Wires and Extensions.

A line of telegraph has been erected from Keilor Road Railway Station to Ballarat, *viâ* Bacchus Marsh and Ballan, at which latter places Telegraph Offices have been established.

Nagambie, Murchison, and Rushworth have also been placed in communication with Melbourne, by a line constructed from Seymour to those places.

Terang and Mortlake have been connected by a direct line, and an additional wire run from the former place to Melbourne.

A new line has been constructed from Lancefield Road Railway Station to Lancefield, *viâ* Romsey, at both which places offices have been established.

Learmonth has been connected by a loop line with the Ballarat and Ararat wire.

Special wires for the use of the Railway Department have been continued from Castlemaine to Dunolly, *viâ* Newstead and Carisbrook, and from Ballarat to Beaufort.

Poles have been extended from Hawthorn to Kew, to which place a wire has been run.

A deviation of that portion of the Southern Coast line between Frankston and Dromana has been effected, the line having been transferred from the old bush track to the present coach road.

The following is a Statement of Expenditure for Telegraph Lines, Stations, &c. :—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Expenditure for Lines, Stations, &c., up to 31st December 1874	...	359,265 17 10
Expenditure during 1874.		
Main Extension of Lines, &c., to 31st December	24,134 0 10	
New Buildings and Repairs to Existing Buildings	18,161 11 10	
		42,295 12 8
		401,561 10 6
Current Expenditure during 1874.		
Rent of Temporary Offices	...	2,357 14 9

Local and Intercolonial Business.

STATEMENT showing the Victorian and Intercolonial Business for the Years 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, and 1874.

	1869.		1870.		1871.		1872.		1873.		1874.	
	Number of Private Messages.	Revenue.	Number of Private Messages.	Revenue.	Number of Private Messages.	Revenue.	Number of Private Messages.	Revenue.	Number of Private Messages.	Revenue.	Number of Private Messages.	Revenue.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
*Between Victorian Stations ..	194,991	24,154 7 8	363,332	22,921 18 9	430,290	27,274 14 4	506,617	31,544 15 3	521,489	32,780 16 5	502,523	30,945 2 1
From—												
Victoria to New South Wales	13,949	5,840 1 3	15,735	5,649 5 9	23,493	5,547 8 3	29,148	6,693 8 3	36,844	7,686 13 11	48,624	7,024 3 8
New South Wales to Victoria	13,540	5,750 2 5	14,203	5,268 13 8	21,165	5,095 17 7	29,393	6,769 0 8	37,126	7,834 5 10	51,375	7,759 6 4
Victoria to Queensland ..	938	586 8 11	1,080	540 1 6	1,607	643 4 0	2,540	1,016 10 10	2,762	1,184 14 7	5,782	1,141 10 7
Queensland to Victoria ..	1,118	698 16 0	1,514	757 1 8	1,970	788 5 10	2,652	1,307 12 8	3,279	1,557 4 8	7,121	1,787 7 6
Victoria to South Australia ..	7,101	2,523 7 6	9,332	2,289 14 8	14,340	2,171 19 2	12,871	2,315 10 11	17,308	2,391 3 10	17,001	2,364 5 4
South Australia to Victoria ..	6,165	2,167 11 6	7,842	1,892 5 3	12,065	1,797 10 3	10,823	2,006 15 10	19,541	2,769 14 3	18,314	2,617 7 6
Victoria to Tasmania ..	2,187	1,078 15 1	4,485	1,744 9 8	3,791	1,304 11 4	3,639	1,047 12 0	5,445	1,279 8 8	5,865	1,350 7 11
Tasmania to Victoria ..	2,313	1,106 16 0	4,825	1,940 10 0	4,505	1,303 15 2	3,943	1,161 8 7	4,455	1,523 2 0	4,666	1,732 5 11

* Exclusive of the number and value of messages O.H.M.S.

NOTE.—Victoria .. .. .. Reduced rate of 1s. for 10 words came into operation 1st January 1870.
New South Wales .. .. Reduced rate from 3s. to 2s. for 10 words came into operation 1st November 1873.
Queensland .. .. .. Reduced rate from 6s. to 3s. for 10 words came into operation 1st November 1873.
South Australia .. .. Reduced rate from 6s. to 2s. for 10 words came into operation 1st August 1870.
Tasmania .. .. .. Reduced (cable) rate from 5s. to 4s. for 10 words came into operation 1st January 1870.

STATEMENT showing the Extension of Telegraph Lines in the Australian Colonies during 1874, and Lines in progress.

VICTORIA.

529 miles of wire; total number of miles of wire, 4,399; 18 new stations; total number of stations, 149.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

928 miles of wire; total number of miles of wire, 7,532; 26 new stations; total number of stations, 130.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

84 miles of wire; 50 miles of line; total miles of line, 3,054; of wire, 3,876; 7 new stations; total number of stations, 100.

TASMANIA.

256 miles of wire; total number of miles of wire, 547; 21 new stations; total number of stations, 42.

STATEMENT showing the Australian Business transacted with Europe and the East for the Year 1874.

Colony.	Received.		Transmitted.		Total.	
	Number of Messages.	Value.	Number of Messages.	Value.	Number of Messages.	Value.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Victoria	2,926	31,546 11 8	2,582	27,348 12 3	5,508	58,895 3 11
South Australia	425	3,848 2 3	431	3,806 4 6	856	7,654 7 9
New South Wales	1,414	14,818 9 8	1,525	18,756 4 4	2,939	33,574 14 0
Queensland	178	1,891 18 9	228	2,469 1 6	406	4,361 0 3
Tasmania	42	344 16 9	47	485 9 11	89	830 6 8
Totals	4,985	52,449 19 1	4,813	52,865 12 6	9,798	105,315 12 7

RETURN showing Net Revenue from 1st January to 31st December 1874.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Cash receipts paid into Treasury, from 1st January to 31st December 1874 ...		42,825 9 7	
Less amount due to other colonies on account of intercolonial business for same period :—			
Bass Cable Company	£931 7 3		
South Australia	94 1 5		
		1,025 8 8	
			41,800 0 11
Amount due by other colonies on account of intercolonial business for same period :—			
New South Wales	£45 8 2		
Tasmania	135 6 1		
Queensland	241 4 4		
		421 18 7	
			421 18 7
			£42,221 19 6

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of Cash Revenue for 1873 and 1874, and Number of Messages transmitted from each Office during the Year 1874.

Name of Station.	Date of Opening Office.	Number of Messages transmitted.	Revenue, 1873.	Revenue, 1874.	Increase, 1874.	Decrease, 1874.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Melbourne, Chief Office ...	Mar. 1854	172,398	17,476 11 11	15,833 6 6	...	1,643 5 5
,, William street ...	Aug. 1872	33,246	2,761 10 11	2,959 9 8	197 18 9	...
Alexandra	Dec. 1873	2,395	6 1 2	131 8 4	125 7 2	...
Ararat	Nov. 1858	6,281	367 19 0	347 15 6	...	20 3 6
Avenel	Nov. 1874	195	New office	11 0 4	11 0 4	...
Avoca	Mar. 1859	3,092	146 0 2	169 12 11	23 12 9	...
Bacchus Marsh	Oct. 1874	213	New office	12 7 2	12 7 2	...
Bairnsdale	July 1869	4,442	226 5 10	263 3 6	36 17 8	...
Ballan	Sept. 1874	431	New office	24 15 6	24 15 6	...
Ballarat	Dec. 1856	41,053	3,130 3 4	2,637 11 2	...	492 12 2
Beaufort	Mar. 1858	2,068	85 11 7	114 0 10	28 9 3	...
Beechworth	Jan. 1858	8,273	610 12 1	487 12 0	...	123 0 1
Belfast	Mar. 1858	8,730	427 12 7	413 18 4	...	13 14 3
Benalla	May 1858	3,605	214 4 5	177 8 4	...	36 16 1
Berwick	Mar. 1873	738	23 2 2	38 4 10	15 2 8	...
Birregurra	Feb. 1874	833	New office	49 7 5	49 7 5	...
Bright	Aug. 1867	1,852	114 6 6	104 15 7	...	9 10 11
Brighton	Nov. 1872	1,045	46 17 6	63 1 9	16 4 3	...
Brunswick	Aug. 1872	462	22 17 5	28 9 8	5 12 3	...
Buninyong	Oct. 1862	911	43 8 2	48 3 7	4 15 5	...
Camperdown	Oct. 1863	3,050	152 15 2	198 8 0	45 12 10	...
Cape Otway[1]	Sept. 1859	1,219	...	...	...	...
Cape Schanck	Sept. 1861	922	5 8 3	3 15 10	...	1 12 5
Caramut	Mar. 1874	724	New office	40 9 8	40 9 8	...
Carisbrook	Jan. 1861	1,567	59 1 10	73 1 1	13 19 3	...
Casterton	July 1865	2,632	128 3 4	161 18 4	33 15 0	...
Castlemaine	Jan. 1857	10,165	769 15 9	548 1 3	...	221 14 6
Chewton	Oct. 1872	434	20 5 11	25 16 6	5 10 7	...
Chiltern	Mar. 1861	2,216	157 1 8	126 11 2	...	30 10 6
Clunes	Feb. 1861	6,190	375 4 11	355 0 1	...	20 4 10
Coburg	Aug. 1873	291	7 11 1	17 13 11	10 2 10	...
Colac	Aug. 1863	3,604	169 10 8	226 16 9	57 6 1	...
Coleraine	Aug. 1867	2,534	164 10 8	169 16 0	5 5 4	...
Collingwood	Nov. 1865	3,612	225 14 11	255 14 8	29 19 9	...
Creswick	Aug. 1859	3,849	231 15 7	230 19 3	...	0 16 4
Dandenong	June 1871	1,548	58 19 8	82 15 7	23 15 11	...
Daylesford	Aug. 1859	3,834	231 8 5	215 19 4	...	15 9 1
Dunolly	Aug. 1859	2,979	134 10 8	151 0 3	16 9 7	...
Eaglehawk	Oct. 1871	956	53 13 0	54 17 5	1 4 5	...
Echuca	Dec. 1858	12,179	627 6 11	695 4 5	67 17 6	...
Eldorado	July 1871	1,275	158 11 6	129 0 10	...	29 10 8
Emerald Hill	Feb. 1872	2,387	128 2 9	164 13 10	36 11 1	...
Flinders[2]	May 1869	192	8 2 11	8 17 8	0 14 9	...
Footscray	Oct. 1873	513	9 3 4	28 12 9	19 9 5	...
Fryerstown	April 1872	777	55 8 10	40 12 10	...	14 16 0
Gaffney's Creek	May 1871	984	70 1 5	59 18 2	...	10 3 3
Geelong	Dec. 1854	20,526	1,122 15 6	1,284 0 2	161 4 8	...
Hamilton	Mar. 1861	7,981	489 3 9	530 12 8	41 8 11	...
Hawthorn	July 1872	715	35 5 4	48 15 3	13 9 11	...
Heathcote	Oct. 1859	1,506	88 2 1	83 6 7	...	4 15 6
Hexham	April 1858	641	39 18 7	38 5 11	...	1 12 8
Inglewood	Oct. 1861	2,649	137 5 4	137 15 9	0 10 5	...
Jamieson	June 1865	1,585	75 17 3	82 3 6	6 6 3	...
Kerang	Aug. 1863	849	34 9 2	47 15 7	13 6 5	...
Kilmore	Oct. 1857	2,261	129 10 7	101 18 10	...	27 11 9
Koroit	Sept. 1872	1,187	64 14 4	69 6 0	4 11 8	...
Kyneton	April 1857	5,424	292 0 5	274 10 3	...	17 10 2
Lancefield	May 1874	432	New office	24 3 6	24 3 6	...
Learmonth	May 1874	428	New office	28 5 4	28 5 4	...
Leigh Road[3]	May 1873	696	18 12 0	33 14 10	15 2 10	...
Linton	Oct. 1868	901	44 4 0	45 17 6	1 13 6	...
Longwood	Nov. 1857	612	36 15 1	30 3 10	...	6 11 3
Majorca	April 1870	1,021	67 10 10	50 16 8	...	16 14 2
Maldon	Aug. 1859	2,417	117 12 1	122 1 1	4 9 0	...
Malmsbury	Oct. 1865	1,753	61 3 6	83 1 0	21 17 6	...
Mansfield	Nov. 1868	2,945	149 3 2	156 6 5	7 3 3	...
Maryborough	April 1859	6,984	465 4 9	398 0 9	...	67 4 0
Mornington	Mar. 1861	1,427	67 19 4	72 8 8	4 9 4	...
Mortlake	June 1864	2,165	113 8 2	124 5 7	10 17 5	...
Murchison	Dec. 1874	117	New office	7 9 3	7 9 3	...
New Gisborne	July 1873	582	14 6 1	31 18 10	17 12 9	...
Newstead	Oct. 1863	863	50 3 9	45 8 9	...	4 15 0
Penshurst	Jan. 1867	2,194	102 4 6	134 17 7	32 13 1	...
Port Albert	Dec. 1864	3,874	225 14 0	175 19 11	...	49 14 1
Portland	Feb. 1858	5,408	337 4 8	340 13 7	3 8 11	...
Prahran	Aug. 1872	1,705	76 2 5	99 2 10	23 0 5	...
Queenscliff	Jan. 1855	[4]9,221	161 10 8	154 2 0	...	7 8 8
Richmond	Jan. 1872	1,926	84 15 2	106 16 4	22 1 2	...
Rokewood	Sept. 1873	580	11 8 4	33 5 9	21 17 5	...
Romsey	May 1874	442	New office	23 14 5	23 14 5	...
Rosedale	Mar. 1867	1,990	88 14 2	101 17 11	13 3 9	...
Rushworth	Dec. 1874	104	New office	6 6 9	6 6 9	...

[1] Look-out Shipping Station.

[2] Local collections only.

[3] Leigh Road office is now called "Wabdallah."

[4] This includes a large number of "Collect" messages.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of Cash Revenue for 1873 and 1874, and Number of Messages transmitted from each Office during the Year 1874—*continued.*

Name of Station.	Date of Opening Office.	Number of Messages Transmitted.	Revenue, 1873. £ s. d.	Revenue, 1874. £ s. d.	Increase, 1874. £ s. d.	Decrease, 1874. £ s. d.
Rutherglen	Aug. 1862	1,453	91 9 3	89 4 7	...	2 4 8
St. Arnaud	Jan. 1865	5,655	209 7 9	340 8 9	131 1 0	...
St. Kilda	Feb. 1871	3,457	197 17 1	249 10 10	51 13 9	...
Sale	Sept. 1864	7,904	510 4 7	532 16 11	22 12 4	...
Sandhurst	Jan. 1857	32,650	3,504 1 6	1,989 8 9	...	1,514 12 9
Sandridge	July 1855	2,213	142 4 10	152 2 1	9 17 3	...
Scarsdale	Sept. 1872	819	43 12 10	47 14 2	4 1 4	...
Sebastopol	Jan. 1870	706	35 19 2	38 6 10	2 7 8	...
Serpentine	Sept. 1873	1,003	15 16 0	60 15 11	44 19 11	...
Seymour	June 1865	1,911	104 16 5	96 10 9	...	8 5 8
Shady Creek	Jan. 1871	674	28 13 0	33 1 6	4 8 6	...
Smythesdale	June 1863	1,285	74 15 9	60 2 0	...	14 13 9
Sorrento	Feb. 1874	1,230	New office	71 13 4	71 13 4	...
South Yarra	Aug. 1872	1,939	147 5 11	139 12 6	...	7 13 5
Stawell	Oct. 1861	12,956	1,080 0 1	785 1 4	...	294 18 9
Stockyard Creek	April 1873	2,902	202 10 8	177 5 1	...	25 5 7
Stratford	May 1873	1,468	51 7 7	86 4 10	34 17 3	...
Streatham	July 1858	995	57 7 1	59 2 5	1 15 4	...
Stuartmill	Dec. 1869	711	38 15 9	41 1 10	2 6 1	...
Swan Hill	April 1863	2,050	97 19 2	110 19 6	13 0 4	...
Talbot	Dec. 1860	3,652	176 19 7	191 12 1	14 12 6	...
Taradale	Nov. 1861	999	41 10 2	51 3 11	9 13 9	...
Tarnagulla	Nov. 1860	920	72 1 4	50 12 8	...	21 8 8
Terang	Nov. 1871	1,134	53 10 7	62 9 0	8 18 5	...
Wahgunyah	Feb. 1861	3,316	141 14 9	117 10 3	...	24 4 6
Walhalla	Nov. 1870	4,947	289 7 5	281 14 11	...	7 12 6
Wangaratta	July 1858	6,856	451 1 1	401 15 9	...	49 5 4
Warrnambool	Mar. 1858	17,955	955 0 4	1,100 12 10	145 12 6	...
Williamstown	Mar. 1854	4,789	284 10 4	327 0 2	42 9 10	...
Wilson's Promontory[1]	April 1873	1,249	...	...	...	...
Winchelsea	Feb. 1874	781	New office	45 0 5	45 0 5	...
Wodonga	Jan. 1858	3,061	174 18 6	200 5 2	25 6 8	...
Wood's Point	Oct. 1865	2,108	107 9 1	117 2 5	9 13 4	...
Yackandandah	Feb. 1861	1,025	67 18 3	58 12 8	...	9 5 7
Point Lonsdale[1]	Oct. 1861	...	...	...	...	...
RAILWAY CIRCUIT.						
Avenel	Dec. 1872	2,402	64 15 7	55 7 11	...	9 7 8
Ballarat West	July 1863	4,038	30 17 7	51 18 8	21 1 1	...
Beaufort	Aug. 1874	663	New office	7 5 9	7 5 9	...
Benalla	Aug. 1873	2,732	41 3 0	54 9 1	13 6 1	...
Broadford	May 1872	4,192	22 14 2	19 12 7	...	3 1 7
Buninyong	Mar. 1873	3,552	15 5 9	14 4 3	...	1 1 6
Burrumbeet[2]	Aug. 1874	683	New office	4 9 9	4 9 9	...
Castlemaine	July 1863	6,376	35 19 0	39 16 8	3 17 8	...
Chiltern	Dec. 1873	1,488	1 11 2	9 19 2	8 8 0	...
Craigieburn[3]	Aug. 1872	...	3 19 7	...	...	3 19 7
Creswick	Aug. 1874	297	New office	4 3 0	4 3 0	...
Echuca	June 1865	3,405	51 11 7	79 14 1	28 2 6	...
Elphinstone	April 1873	4,762	8 4 2	14 8 9	6 4 7	...
Geelong	April 1862	4,355	60 13 10	71 6 5	10 12 7	...
Gravel Pits[3]	Dec. 1872	...	18 4 7	...	...	18 4 7
Kilmore East[3]	May 1872	...	11 3 9	...	...	11 3 9
Lancefield Road	July 1873	802	4 16 6	15 2 10	10 6 4	...
Little River[3]	Nov. 1862	...	4 17 1	...	...	4 17 1
Longwood	Dec. 1872	1,844	46 9 5	19 8 9	...	27 0 8
Macedon[6]	June 1874	...	New office	...	...	...
Maryborough	July 1874	656[5]	New office	6 14 5	6 14 5	...
Meredith[3]	April 1867	...	1 16 8	...	...	1 16 8
New Gisborne[4]	July 1868	...	15 9 1	...	...	15 9 1
Newmarket	Oct. 1874	661	New office	17 4 0	17 4 0	...
Newstead	July 1874	816	New office	1 8 2	1 8 2	...
Runnymede	June 1865	4,030	91 18 3	111 18 8	20 0 5	...
Sandhurst	July 1863	3,192	88 19 11	105 15 5	16 15 6	...
Seymour	May 1872	3,950	16 3 0	24 15 2	8 12 2	...
Spencer street, Melbourne	Oct. 1861	21,767	452 15 2	503 11 3	50 16 1	...
Sunbury	Feb. 1867	5,116	35 1 8	44 18 5	9 16 9	...
Violet Town[5]	Mar. 1873	1,981	89 7 10	28 4 1	...	61 3 9
Wallan-wallan	May 1872	3,769	13 17 2	12 14 5	...	1 2 9
Wangaratta	Nov. 1873	2,642	17 6 2	61 13 9	44 7 7	...
Werribee	April 1862	5,449	35 11 2	42 12 1	7 0 11	...
Williamstown Junction	April 1862	3,339	4 11 10	5 17 3	1 5 5	...
Williamstown Railway Pier	Jan. 1870	2,481	21 6 0	29 15 8	8 9 8	...
Wodonga	Nov. 1873	1,398	4 8 5	26 12 0	22 3 7	...
Woodend[6]	Oct. 1861	2,471	52 19 7	62 12 11	9 13 4	...
		701,080	45,322 17 5	42,825 9 7	2,528 9 3	5,025 17 1

[1] Look-out Shipping Stations. [2] Burrumbeet Railway Telegraph Station was closed 4th December 1874. [3] Craigieburn, Gravel Pits, Kilmore East, Little River, and Meredith Railway Telegraph Stations were closed in 1873. [4] The Railway "Telegraph Station" at New Gisborne was transferred in July 1873 to a Postal Telegraph Station. [5] Violet Town Railway Telegraph Station was closed on 30th November 1874. [6] The business at Macedon is included in that at Woodend.

NOTE.—The Postmasters at Brunswick, Chewton, Coburg, Lancefield, Murchison, Rokewood, Romsey, Scarsdale, Serpentine, and South Yarra are not on the Establishment, being in private business on their own account. They are paid a percentage on the telegraph collections at their respective offices.

Money Orders and Savings Bank.

The number of Money Orders issued during the year was 119,542, against 113,135 in 1873; the difference showing an increase of 6,407, or 5·66 per cent.

The number of Money Orders paid during the year was 116,418, against 109,048 in 1873; the difference showing an increase of 7,370, or 6·75 per cent.

The value of the Money Orders issued during the year was £374,075 13s. 7d., against £341,961 10s. 8d. in 1873; the difference showing an increase of £32,114 2s. 11d., or 9·39 per cent.

The value of the Money Orders paid during the year was £379,748 4s. 8d., against £348,019 0s. 6d. in 1873; the difference showing an increase of £31,729 4s. 2d., or 9·11 per cent.

The number of new Savings Bank accounts opened during the year was 11,862; the number closed, 8,422; and the number remaining open on the 31st December was 37,800.

The total amount of Deposits received during the year was £461,973 1s., and the amount repaid was £451,132 19s. 5d.

The total amount of Interest placed to the credit of Depositors for the year was £22,726 1s. 8d.

The rate of Interest allowed to the Depositors was 4 per cent.

The total amount of Balances to the credit of Depositors on the 31st December 1874 was £637,089 18s. 7d., and at the 31st December 1873, £603,523 15s. 4d.; the difference showing an increase of £33,566 3s. 3d., or 5·56 per cent.

The total number of Depositors' accounts at 31st December being 37,800, and the amount of Balances £637,089 18s. 7d., the average balance was £16 17s. 1d.

Of the 37,800 accounts remaining open on the 31st December:—

30,454	did not exceed	£20.		
3,613	were above	£20,	but did not exceed	£50.
1,930	,,	£50,	,, ,,	£100.
875	,,	£100,	,, ,,	£150.
356	,,	£150,	,, ,,	£200.
572	,,	£200.		

The total number of Deposits received during the year was 86,772, averaging £5 6s. 5¾d. each.

The total number of Repayments was 33,081, averaging £13 12s. 8¾d.

Thirteen new Money Order Offices were opened, and one closed, making the number open at the close of the year 216.

Five new Savings Banks were opened, making the number open at the close of the year 143.

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 1874, and the Amount of Revenue received for Commission.

Number of Money Order Offices in 1874.	Net Revenue received from Commission.	Orders Issued.		Orders Paid.		Total Transactions.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
216	4,912 15 7	119,542	374,075 13 7	116,418	379,748 4 8	235,960	753,823 18 3

Return showing the Number and Amount of Orders Issued and Paid at each Money Order Office in Victoria during the Year 1874.

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 ...	464	1,654 6 10	272	1,165 6 2	Bass ...	121	585 7 2	17	84 19 8
Allansford ...	57	217 15 11	17	78 1 9	Bealiba ...	14	31 14 8	1	1 14 1
Amherst ...	177	600 3 7	66	223 11 7	Beaufort ...	895	2,639 2 8	254	877 16 7
Ararat ...	1,242	3,662 1 2	736	2,207 9 11	Beeac ...	256	1,018 7 6	48	157 18 9
Ascot	61	250 9 6	4	13 10 0	Beechworth ...	924	2,806 11 9	1,025	3,310 3 1
Avenel ...	464	1,609 18 11	101	409 15 0	Belfast ...	651	1,861 0 10	532	1,854 7 3
Avoca	586	1,630 4 6	491	1,525 6 1	Benalla ...	1,047	4,178 0 2	771	3,944 15 2
Bacchus Marsh	496	1,528 10 0	159	458 5 9	Berlin ...	285	987 16 7	89	346 9 6
Bairnsdale ...	511	1,418 14 4	259	1,012 2 6	Berwick ...	229	983 2 7	100	441 2 10
Ballan ...	302	1,065 4 8	136	458 19 8	Birregurra ...	301	1,123 0 1	46	182 1 5
Ballarat ...	7,143	21,740 8 5	12,784	36,185 4 3	Branxholme ...	200	709 9 10	28	100 11 1
Barnawartha ...	45	121 13 9	5	24 19 10	Bright ...	445	1,364 4 7	137	565 17 4
Barry's Reef ...	1,129	3,379 5 10	84	254 19 11	Brighton ...	237	844 10 7	154	451 19 8

RETURN showing the Number and Amount of Orders Issued and Paid—*continued.*

Office.	Orders Issued.				Orders Paid.			
	No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Broadford ...	220	600	13	0	115	625	10	0
Broadmeadows	80	381	15	6	11	37	10	3
Brunswick ...	224	592	13	9	219	614	15	5
Buckland, Lower	45	173	9	4	8	42	0	0
Buln Buln ...	7	25	2	6	4	27	12	0
Bungaree ...	93	308	6	8	25	66	10	5
Buninyong ...	330	1,054	4	7	671	2,241	15	6
Burke's Flat ...	26	96	11	8	...	...		
Byaduk ...	98	287	17	7	9	54	8	0
Campbell's Creek	169	502	1	7	142	338	7	2
Camperdown ...	567	1,901	13	2	312	1,041	3	5
Caramut ...	145	488	1	10	31	116	19	4
Carisbrook ...	271	832	10	11	111	462	8	2
Carlton ...	779	2,000	12	2	1,023	3,203	1	9
Casterton ...	582	1,894	16	8	169	621	2	1
Castlemaine ...	2,300	7,020	9	4	2,117	5,816	17	3
Cheltenham ...	140	394	8	6	58	238	7	1
Chewton ...	270	654	13	0	177	469	17	9
Chiltern ...	553	1,472	12	11	284	1,039	17	10
Clunes ...	2,300	6,398	6	8	932	3,281	0	7
Coburg ...	185	657	17	3	101	400	11	4
Colac	719	2,447	9	4	338	1,195	9	8
Coleraine ...	523	1,663	6	11	122	439	3	11
Collingwood ...	1,545	4,377	19	6	2,392	6,780	18	0
„ North	8	7	19	6	4	26	10	0
Condah ...	126	472	5	7	21	63	13	0
Corop	329	1,093	9	9	50	226	2	10
Cowes	95	348	10	7	50	250	16	6
Cranbourne ...	104	320	16	8	24	82	12	10
Cressy ...	126	431	9	8	15	75	8	6
Creswick ...	808	2,428	13	2	513	1,441	12	5
Dandenong ...	230	672	5	4	140	495	13	5
Daylesford ...	1,189	3,552	3	7	1,094	3,371	13	6
Digby	243	898	7	6	23	106	1	11
Donnelly's Creek	183	545	7	3	7	45	17	6
Dookie South ...	2	13	0	0	...	...		
Dromana ...	153	515	12	1	120	668	8	11
Drysdale ...	75	278	4	3	38	147	8	3
Dunkeld ...	265	925	10	1	41	164	1	6
Dunolly ...	658	1,799	6	11	325	995	18	9
Eaglehawk ...	901	2,463	8	11	351	1,172	7	2
East Brighton ...	44	162	0	6	19	53	10	6
Echuca ...	1,750	5,562	17	3	1,382	7,509	13	6
Eddington ...	133	436	16	1	19	41	12	6
Edenhope ...	188	723	9	11	21	85	7	9
Elaine ...	353	1,277	12	10	68	288	1	6
Eldorado ...	303	941	0	11	111	334	6	5
Eltham ...	48	219	18	10	42	132	9	5
Emerald Hill ...	914	2,483	11	10	1,386	4,686	7	4
Epsom ...	78	208	10	2	51	175	16	6
Fitzroy ...	258	589	8	5	395	1,133	17	7
„ North ...	45	94	3	1	33	89	15	9
Footscray ...	278	686	4	6	265	734	7	9
Fryerstown ...	347	973	6	1	173	598	3	3
Gaffney's Creek	169	458	5	3	34	132	9	10
Geelong ...	3,815	12,017	3	11	4,713	15,833	10	4
Gisborne ...	309	822	2	2	155	452	19	5
Grant	91	418	18	5	36	173	7	4
Graytown ...	192	685	7	11	78	259	5	10
Griffith's Point	175	771	12	3	14	58	9	11
Guildford ...	115	314	1	11	125	313	13	8
Haddon ...	174	765	3	5	33	90	15	8
Hamilton ...	951	2,986	8	11	1,102	3,992	3	0
Happy Valley ...	128	380	18	7	32	122	15	9
Harrow ...	261	1,022	13	9	48	233	1	11
Hastings ...	197	1,036	1	4	15	43	16	10
Hawthorn ...	111	276	10	8	201	634	8	1
Hawthorn, Lower	39	101	18	8	5	17	12	0
Heathcote ...	451	1,464	0	2	279	912	19	7
Heidelberg ...	72	245	2	3	71	221	19	3
Hexham ...	82	320	19	7	11	36	3	8
Heywood ...	233	674	8	8	73	254	14	2
Horsham ...	1,105	5,143	17	4	436	2,898	5	5
Hotham ...	639	1,752	3	3	683	2,120	8	2
Inglewood ...	665	1,961	7	1	444	1,712	6	11
Inverleigh ...	95	422	15	4	21	75	13	7
Jamieson ...	281	784	11	6	131	414	1	0
Jasper Road ...	9	42	9	3	...	...		
Kangaroo Flat ...	406	1,172	13	3	185	672	11	1
Keilor ...	28	78	8	6	30	142	16	3
Kerang ...	103	422	7	2	17	55	3	4
Kew	171	427	16	9	165	675	1	6
Kilmore ...	661	2,180	5	8	628	2,256	3	5
Kingower ...	48	121	7	4	9	34	6	6
Kingston ...	215	688	15	11	52	146	7	5
Koroit ...	222	790	19	1	80	318	11	10
Kyneton ...	1,360	3,754	5	0	914	2,897	13	8
Lancefield ...	328	1,190	2	0	82	277	16	6
Landsborough ...	178	497	18	4	63	224	17	0
Learmonth ...	203	918	17	3	121	387	10	0
Leigh Road ...	100	316	15	7	56	300	19	3
Lilydale ...	227	673	6	2	68	220	0	1
Linton ...	324	1,133	1	7	255	540	12	1
Longwood ...	207	878	13	8	73	239	7	3
Macarthur ...	274	872	0	9	39	165	7	7
Maffra... ...	124	416	5	7	46	144	13	2
Majorca ...	349	900	9	8	274	1,028	12	11
Maldon ...	1,061	2,674	11	4	722	2,052	7	7
Malmesbury ...	914	2,214	6	10	190	615	16	3
Malvern ...	13	28	4	10	6	17	10	6
Mansfield ...	313	1,075	14	1	127	498	19	1
Market street ...	610	2,079	17	2	10	29	17	0
Maryborough ...	1,431	3,969	5	6	960	2,995	16	6
Melton ...	122	340	13	0	52	256	18	6
Meredith ...	233	775	11	9	102	449	8	1
Merino ...	281	989	5	7	47	106	5	4
Mitta Mitta ...	143	536	11	4	6	19	17	0
Moonambel ...	94	332	5	0	32	80	4	0
Moonee Ponds...	133	352	16	7	33	88	0	11
Morang ...	339	1,071	3	11	27	87	7	2
Morang South...	17	53	0	6	2	7	10	0
Mornington ...	335	971	3	10	185	590	5	11
Morrisons ...	133	338	4	10	54	169	15	0
Mortlake ...	466	1,439	3	0	101	299	18	2
Mt. Blackwood	413	1,083	2	7	87	419	2	10
Mt. Egerton ...	401	1,147	12	1	120	409	5	11
Moyston ...	141	330	10	4	75	276	19	0
Murchison ...	445	1,612	5	4	103	519	11	4
Myrniong ...	162	624	3	11	28	96	11	3
Nagambie ...	617	2,241	9	5	104	291	4	11
Newbridge ...	225	746	10	8	23	96	17	3
Newstead ...	266	773	9	1	129	415	13	5
Oakleigh ...	77	279	1	5	50	222	6	1
Omeo	247	903	14	6	45	327	16	1
Peushurst ...	329	877	1	1	94	325	5	1
Piggoreet ...	267	705	16	2	191	648	2	3
Port Albert ...	441	1,484	7	4	170	562	4	5
Portarlington ...	44	156	2	1	22	132	14	3
Portland ...	736	2,087	19	3	875	3,223	15	4
Prahran ...	758	2,402	15	7	810	2,319	10	1
Queenscliff ...	276	814	9	10	637	2,519	15	7
Redbank ...	120	444	18	7	37	100	9	3
Richmond ...	619	1,892	12	4	1,355	3,956	7	9
„ North	50	134	0	8	65	115	11	2
„ South	266	659	19	0	128	358	2	7
Riddell's Creek...	150	493	17	0	59	188	19	6
Rokewood ...	447	1,640	2	6	126	373	9	7
Romsey ...	200	713	8	0	72	214	1	0
Rosedale ...	249	663	19	6	126	471	12	7
Rushworth ...	442	1,510	2	7	224	891	1	0
Rutherglen ...	241	604	11	9	70	314	5	2
St. Arnaud ...	990	3,116	4	5	751	4,360	4	0
St. Kilda ...	767	2,119	7	5	936	2,987	6	6
Sale	775	2,188	2	2	675	2,373	14	9
Sandhurst ...	6,918	20,052	19	0	5,546	14,456	13	0
Sandridge ...	675	2,479	13	3	496	1,732	8	3
Scarsdale ...	293	687	9	8	253	847	12	4
Sebastopol ...	377	1,072	7	1	974	2,754	15	8
Seymour ...	669	2,074	6	1	355	1,284	13	7
Shelford ...	103	438	17	6	20	62	0	10
Shepparton ...	146	693	9	11	22	115	12	0
Skipton ...	213	752	14	10	26	101	6	2
Smeaton ...	174	600	0	2	16	48	19	0
Smythesdale ...	306	777	7	2	366	1,074	3	2
Snake Valley ...	283	1,050	5	11	138	406	6	1
Sorrento ...	131	527	6	7	19	59	19	9
South Brighton	18	49	5	0	15	48	4	6
South Yarra ...	420	1,194	13	10	447	1,593	5	9
Stawell ...	3,064	8,700	18	7	1,659	4,014	16	2
Steiglitz ...	376	1,077	8	6	265	832	17	7
Stockyard Creek	341	1,178	15	9	90	374	0	8
Stratford ...	121	342	0	9	41	123	5	6
Streatham ...	184	558	15	3	41	189	8	3
Stuartmill ...	168	390	16	4	39	150	12	6
Sunbury ...	363	1,235	15	8	90	271	5	0
Swan Hill ...	191	896	11	11	77	421	19	0
Talbot ...	874	2,382	1	4	380	1,194	16	5
Taradale ...	468	1,297	4	5	249	623	7	3
Tarnagulla ...	353	1,141	9	5	256	911	6	8
Terang ...	279	953	14	6	53	242	5	8
Toorak ...	122	340	19	10	59	169	4	2
Traralgon ...	96	229	16	7	35	190	2	4
Trentham ...	120	335	2	4	30	112	2	7
Ulinna... ...	77	439	12	0	16	84	10	4
Vaughan ...	91	220	11	1	71	226	3	9
Walgunyah ...	349	1,030	10	10	53	151	9	2
Walhalla ...	793	2,690	8	3	272	804	19	4
Wallan Wallan	82	345	11	1	24	59	3	10
Wangaratta ...	986	2,854	14	6	405	1,270	1	11
Warrnambool ...	1,444	4,329	5	8	843	3,036	6	11
Wedderburn ...	323	1,307	4	2	127	480	12	7
Whroo ...	135	455	3	10	42	159	0	9
Wickliffe ...	243	987	13	8	41	135	11	7
Williamstown ...	961	2,783	13	1	660	2,422	15	11
Winchelsea ...	226	783	5	2	104	357	7	3
Wodonga ...	891	3,130	11	2	150	443	18	10
Woodend ...	527	1,402	14	0	202	692	16	8
Wood's Point ...	386	1,135	11	0	163	471	12	8
Yackandandah...	272	854	0	7	132	407	6	5
Yea	317	1,253	0	1	82	409	9	9
	100,322	310,877	15	10	72,652	246,322	19	1
Melbourne ...	19,220	63,197	17	9	43,766	133,425	5	7
Totals ...	119,542	374,075	13	7	116418	379,748	4	8

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT showing the various Places where the Money Orders issued in Victoria during the Years 1874 and 1873 were made Payable.

Place.	1874.				1873.			
	Number.	Amount.			Number.	Amount.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Victoria	94,465	286,920	13	11	87,010	253,018	10	2
United Kingdom	18,561	61,456	5	1	20,094	65,643	7	11
New South Wales	2,580	10,346	4	9	2,412	9,253	7	11
New Zealand	902	4,191	2	11	812	3,479	13	5
South Australia	1,296	4,250	14	4	1,178	3,842	2	8
Queensland...	393	1,805	4	9	346	1,680	11	11
Tasmania	1,315	5,014	7	9	1,255	4,960	7	6
Western Australia	30	91	0	1	28	83	9	2
Totals	119,542	374,075	13	7	113,135	341,961	10	8

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT showing the various Places where the Money Orders paid in Victoria during the Years 1874 and 1873 were originally Issued.

Place.	1874.				1873.			
	Number.	Amount.			Number.	Amount.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Victoria	94,236	286,504	13	4	86,941	252,778	16	4
United Kingdom	3,738	15,841	10	10	3,999	17,043	15	10
New South Wales	6,224	24,618	2	3	6,553	27,519	18	5
New Zealand	5,221	23,274	8	6	4,420	19,930	15	0
South Australia	3,160	12,146	4	11	3,092	12,152	2	9
Queensland...	1,473	7,123	18	2	1,996	10,123	11	1
Tasmania	2,133	8,994	16	1	1,888	7,661	15	4
Western Australia	233	1,244	10	7	159	808	5	9
Totals	116,418	379,748	4	8	109,048	348,019	0	6

POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANKS.

RETURN showing the Names of Places where Post Office Savings Banks have been Opened, and the Dates of their Establishment; the Number of Accounts Opened and Closed, and the Number and Amount of Deposits and Withdrawals, during the Year 1874; 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 1873.	Number of Accounts Opened in 1874.	Number of Accounts Closed in 1874.	Number of Accounts Open at close of 1874.	Balances on 31st Dec. 1873.	Deposits Received in 1874 (including Interest).		Withdrawals Paid in 1874.		Balances remaining at the close of 1874.
							No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	
						£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Alexandra ..	1st Nov. 1869	27	10	7	30	625 1 10	45	238 6 3	19	337 15 0	525 13 1
Ararat	1st Jan. 1866	158	43	16	185	2,153 11 6	267	2,428 5 0	83	1,732 9 11	2,849 6 7
Avenel	1st Nov. 1869	43	5	8	40	994 19 6	40	360 19 6	30	614 5 2	741 13 10
Avoca	6th Nov. 1865	221	27	31	217	4,896 1 4	191	2,507 2 7	122	2,995 15 5	4,407 8 6
Bacchus Marsh	17th Sept. 1866	66	12	4	74	647 4 9	77	453 19 1	27	275 18 3	825 5 7
Bairnsdale ..	1st Nov. 1869	28	11	8	31	238 11 0	44	263 14 4	17	116 15 6	385 9 10
Ballan	1st Nov. 1869	39	13	7	45	516 0 0	49	648 0 10	22	488 8 3	675 12 7
Ballarat ..	11th Sept. 1865	1,509	378	293	1,594	28,542 10 5	2,386	16,725 4 6	1,236	16,579 0 7	28,688 14 4
Beaufort ..	1st Dec. 1865	53	18	8	63	1,083 15 5	128	817 7 11	34	620 7 1	1,280 16 3
Beeac (Ondit) ..	1st Feb. 1872	34	9	10	33	585 6 10	67	358 7 8	27	355 17 0	587 17 6
Beechworth ..	11th Sept. 1865	724	134	110	748	8,655 1 8	912	6,228 15 4	325	5,613 8 0	9,270 9 0
Belfast	1st Feb. 1866	14	15	7	22	539 9 5	82	970 0 1	21	697 2 1	812 7 5
Benalla ..	15th April 1867	129	37	42	124	2,688 16 4	203	1,652 16 2	111	1,962 19 7	2,378 12 11
Birregurra ..	1st July 1871	9	14	..	23	21 4 2	25	66 9 0	2	8 4 0	79 9 2
Branxholme ..	1st Aug. 1873	3	6	2	7	39 17 9	16	139 1 5	7	70 14 1	108 5 1
Bright	1st Feb. 1868	131	35	19	147	3,391 2 8	152	1,936 8 5	61	1,871 16 9	3,455 14 4
Brighton ..	1st Oct. 1866	50	34	17	67	863 1 9	170	810 17 11	46	341 14 3	1,332 5 ;
Brunswick ..	1st Oct. 1867	270	85	57	298	2,052 0 10	738	1,365 18 4	165	1,822 3 4	1,595 15 10
Bullarook ..	1st Nov. 1872	1	..	1	..	1 0 0	..	0 0 8	1	1 0 8	..
Bungaree ..	1st Dec. 1871	12	4	..	16	67 14 9	15	145 10 10	5	50 3 0	163 2 7
Buninyong ..	12th July 1866	214	38	33	219	6,692 12 8	460	2,283 15 6	148	1,935 17 3	7,040 10 11
Byaduk ..	1st Sept. 1873	..	3	1	2	..	5	26 14 7	1	24 9 7	2 5 0
Campbell's Creek	25th Mar. 1869	26	9	4	31	71 14 5	90	77 6 9	22	98 2 3	50 18 11
Camperdown ..	1st Dec. 1865	84	25	5	104	1,520 9 11	137	1,674 0 7	38	1,074 14 1	2,119 16 5
Caramut ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carisbrook ..	17th Sept. 1866	126	22	27	121	2,030 1 6	110	915 10 5	81	1,963 17 8	981 14 3
Carlton ..	1st Oct. 1867	488	284	163	609	4,506 0 0	2,762	6,703 0 5	602	5,196 0 8	6,012 19 9
Casterton ..	1st Nov. 1869	47	20	6	61	552 15 6	94	393 8 6	18	215 16 10	730 7 2
Castlemaine ..	11th Sept. 1865	148	28	32	144	4,285 0 5	205	2,546 13 1	130	2,653 13 5	4,178 0 1
Cheltenham ..	1st Feb. 1868	169	32	37	164	1,171 9 4	579	947 17 11	98	987 14 3	1,131 13 0
Chiltern ..	6th Nov. 1865	82	30	17	95	1,657 0 4	142	929 15 4	91	1,012 19 7	1,573 16 1
Clunes ..	6th Nov. 1865	337	141	109	369	5,460 7 10	726	4,343 14 6	275	4,083 11 3	5,720 11 1
Coburg ..	17th Sept. 1866	91	18	12	97	1,431 14 0	213	1,211 3 8	72	1,538 12 11	1,104 4 9
Colac ..	6th Nov. 1866	83	22	13	92	1,086 3 11	115	997 15 7	64	1,078 18 8	1,005 0 10
Coleraine ..	1st Nov. 1869	62	17	8	71	1,392 6 1	146	828 2 6	27	1,116 0 3	1,104 8 4
Collingwood ..	15th Nov. 1865	2,661	1,017	690	2,988	34,915 4 11	8,453	30,452 10 3	2,676	25,521 6 0	39,846 9 2
Corop ..	1st Sept. 1871	9	5	3	11	103 17 3	13	97 16 6	11	97 17 0	103 16 9
Cranbourne ..	1st Sept. 1871	32	7	5	34	252 4 10	141	272 15 2	24	355 17 7	169 2 5
Creswick ..	6th Nov. 1865	212	80	39	253	2,092 3 0	563	2,468 15 2	169	2,108 5 8	2,452 12 6
Daylesford ..	1st Jan. 1869	129	58	39	148	2,764 9 1	263	1,381 8 4	127	1,800 12 0	2,345 5 5
Drysdale ..	1st Jan. 1870	36	9	6	39	414 18 8	40	410 13 9	13	144 10 6	681 1 11
Dunolly ..	1st Dec. 1865	166	40	20	186	2,552 14 11	368	1,148 5 8	89	1,099 16 9	2,601 3 10
Eaglehawk ..	23rd Nov. 1868	72	41	15	98	1,127 3 8	209	726 4 7	79	1,121 8 4	731 19 11

POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANKS.

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

Name of Post Office Savings Bank.	Date when Established.	Number of Accounts Open at close of 1873.	Number of Accounts Opened in 1874.	Number of Accounts Closed in 1874.	Number of Accounts Open at close of 1874.	Balances on 31st Dec. 1873.	Deposits Received in 1874 (including Interest).		Withdrawals Paid in 1874.		Balances remaining at the close of 1874.
							No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	
						£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Echuca ..	1st Feb. 1866	209	135	83	261	3,320 11 5	582	3,486 3 10	226	3,056 9 11	3,750 5 4
Edenhope ..	11th May 1874	..	8	..	8	..	26	150 12 3	..	..	153 12 3
Eldorado ..	1st Oct. 1867	74	28	32	70	1,060 17 6	167	1,038 7 3	61	825 11 6	1,273 13 3
Emerald Hill ..	1st Aug. 1867	859	393	276	976	5,343 0 7	2,835	5,727 14 1	822	4,931 2 4	6,139 12 4
Footscray ..	1st Oct. 1867	31	48	18	61	304 0 4	254	966 2 1	66	514 15 3	755 7 2
Fryerstown ..	1st Aug. 1867	71	19	10	80	831 14 3	136	769 10 0	42	602 4 11	998 19 4
Gaffney's Creek	4th May 1874	..	14	1	13	..	52	196 4 3	1	0 9 0	195 15 3
Geelong ..	11th Sept. 1865	1,663	472	381	1,754	37,028 7 5	3,811	23,001 4 3	1,362	23,378 14 1	36,650 17 7
Gisborne ..	1st Nov. 1869	51	15	9	57	453 11 4	299	422 9 8	20	211 15 11	664 5 1
Graytown ..	12th July 1869	62	3	14	51	512 5 11	30	113 15 5	22	257 15 5	368 5 11
Guildford ..	1st Oct. 1867	29	11	11	29	1,777 10 8	55	705 9 4	46	1,138 2 2	1,344 17 10
Hamilton ..	12th July 1866	81	37	27	91	2,041 18 3	144	1,624 9 0	61	1,176 19 7	2,489 7 8
Hastings ..	1st Jan. 1872	14	3	3	14	288 6 5	40	353 2 3	17	174 14 7	466 14 1
Hawthorn ..	1st Oct. 1867	173	49	35	187	1,387 3 0	365	1,216 6 4	111	893 0 0	1,710 9 4
Heathcote ..	12th July 1866	175	24	23	176	5,836 5 6	172	2,550 15 5	107	2,962 1 7	5,424 19 4
Heywood ..	1st Nov. 1869	20	3	3	20	185 8 1	18	158 8 9	6	53 12 0	290 4 10
Horsham ..	1st Nov. 1869	33	22	15	40	831 7 6	61	417 16 1	42	646 12 5	602 11 2
H tham ..	1st Oct. 1867	605	250	153	702	3,360 16 11	2,336	4,340 17 3	628	3,581 19 0	4,119 15 2
Inglewood ..	1st Jan. 1866	134	37	20	151	1,855 12 4	251	1,096 1 10	96	1,490 12 9	1,461 1 5
Inverleigh ..	1st Aug. 1871	6	2	1	7	30 2 5	10	168 4 4	1	29 11 1	168 15 8
Jamieson ..	1st Nov. 1869	50	8	2	56	2,198 18 10	33	293 2 11	26	790 9 5	1,701 12 4
Jasper Road ..	8th Aug. 1866	14	8	3	19	333 7 3	86	767 10 1	18	561 4 0	539 13 4
Keilor ..	17th Sept. 1867	11	5	..	16	265 8 9	18	179 17 9	1	100 0 0	345 6 6
Kew ..	1st Oct. 1866	40	33	9	64	556 11 11	265	1,265 18 7	33	507 3 2	1,315 7 4
Kilmore ..	6th Nov. 1865	110	29	25	114	3,153 18 10	221	1,500 2 11	72	1,291 13 8	3,362 8 1
Kingston ..	1st Jan. 1869	84	5	6	83	181 12 4	71	121 7 9	17	69 19 10	233 0 3
Koroit ..	1st Oct. 1872	9	6	4	11	244 0 6	23	295 11 8	11	200 3 0	339 9 2
Kyneton ..	6th Nov. 1865	155	63	32	186	3,207 1 6	419	2,971 15 5	130	2,839 16 6	3,339 0 5
Lancefield ..	12th May 1873	23	15	1	37	226 7 0	58	64 1 4	4	122 10 0	167 18 4
Landsborough ..	1st Jan. 1870	32	3	5	30	1,013 15 5	56	205 3 5	27	443 12 1	775 6 9
Learmonth ..	1st Nov. 1869	17	8	4	21	145 0 10	44	327 2 0	15	289 14 6	182 8 4
Leigh Road ..	1st Aug. 1873	10	..	4	6	19 16 9	19	11 18 5	6	18 15 8	12 19 6
Lilydale ..	2nd June 1873	27	22	7	22	19 3 7	64	490 4 9	22	187 16 4	321 12 0
Lintons ..	1st Jan. 1870	41	8	11	38	493 13 3	69	303 1 10	37	406 7 10	390 7 3
Macarthur ..	18th Sept. 1869	55	17	14	58	1,284 13 0	169	1,205 9 9	41	793 16 5	1,696 6 4
Majorca ..	2nd May 1870	39	24	11	52	1,115 0 4	83	908 7 6	51	1,007 6 7	1,016 1 3
Maldon ..	6th Nov. 1865	322	70	41	351	3,783 19 4	479	2,977 12 7	150	2,779 3 7	3,082 8 4
Malmesbury ..	1st Nov. 1869	43	18	18	43	681 5 3	117	749 15 8	51	919 14 2	511 6 9
Malvern ..	17th Aug. 1874	..	16	3	13	..	61	73 3 9	4	1 15 0	71 8 9
Mansfield ..	1st Nov. 1869	71	8	8	71	652 0 2	81	742 7 0	57	680 6 11	714 0 3
Maryborough ..	11 Sept. 1865	277	102	98	281	3,810 19 9	516	3,374 11 0	242	2,553 0 7	4,632 10 2
Meredith ..	2nd Oct. 1871	17	4	4	17	192 4 7	29	287 5 0	11	227 18 9	251 10 10
Merino ..	13th Nov. 1869	23	6	3	26	665 14 8	25	323 15 6	5	117 11 1	871 19 1
Moonee Ponds	17th Sept. 1866	137	56	42	151	738 19 2	425	1,233 3 3	114	833 5 2	1,138 17 3
Mornington ..	1st Nov. 1869	49	14	10	53	1,341 18 9	95	404 13 2	31	915 16 1	830 15 10
Mortlake ..	1st Nov. 1869	40	18	15	43	2,396 18 8	98	1,807 13 2	35	2,432 4 7	1,772 7 3
Mt. Blackwood	1st May 1873	57	26	17	66	399 5 5	214	571 18 2	37	251 17 3	719 6 4
Mt. Egerton ..	1st Oct. 1869	45	17	10	52	1,863 13 10	98	1,138 4 3	44	786 5 9	2,215 12 4
Moyston ..	10th May 1871	13	6	1	18	374 19 9	37	213 6 3	14	177 12 0	410 14 0
Nagambie ..	8th Aug. 1870	3	1	2	2	13 18 6	3	15 15 0	5	27 15 11	1 17 7
Newstead ..	18th Sept. 1869	27	15	7	35	532 5 6	78	483 7 6	27	715 12 4	300 0 8
Omeo ..	1st Jan. 1870	24	3	5	22	1,194 18 9	13	302 12 10	17	794 11 8	702 19 11
Penshurst ..	1st Jan. 1870	8	3	2	9	83 5 11	17	140 7 5	5	95 13 9	127 19 7
Piggoreet ..	1st Nov. 1869	69	29	12	86	2,418 7 8	181	1,448 4 1	79	1,618 13 7	2,247 18 2
Port Albert ..	1st Dec. 1865	86	8	14	80	2,217 16 7	135	613 7 6	49	560 4 8	2,270 19 5
Portarlington ..	1st Dec. 1872	13	10	5	18	177 1 10	42	328 14 5	14	298 7 11	207 8 4
Portland ..	1st Dec. 1865	33	5	4	34	3,690 7 6	42	720 15 4	23	1,481 13 7	2,929 9 3
Prahran ..	4th June 1866	775	319	162	932	8,109 12 2	2,717	8,352 11 9	672	6,213 13 6	10,248 10 5
Queenscliff ..	12th July 1866	122	12	5	129	931 17 7	92	664 18 2	28	267 9 1	1,329 6 8
Richmond ..	1st Oct. 1867	691	329	244	776	7,936 12 7	2,699	10,252 1 10	751	6,841 16 10	11,346 17 7
Rokewood ..	15th April 1867	140	27	23	144	4,385 19 8	142	1,364 11 0	96	1,874 11 10	3,875 18 10
Romsey ..	1st June 1874	..	16	1	15	..	46	85 8 8	2	10 4 0	75 4 8
Rosedale ..	16th April 1868	78	11	8	81	1,086 15 4	508	482 5 0	52	647 11 9	921 8 7
Rushworth ..	13th Nov. 1868	124	45	44	125	4,439 14 0	656	1,772 10 10	120	3,401 17 4	2,810 7 6
Rutherglen ..	1st Dec. 1865	41	9	12	38	731 18 2	37	398 16 6	30	663 11 7	467 3 1
St. Arnaud ..	1st Nov. 1867	71	24	21	74	812 9 5	160	689 5 1	47	522 11 0	979 3 6
St. Kilda ..	4th June 1866	443	195	109	529	4,484 19 10	1,301	4,257 11 2	376	3,499 14 3	5,242 16 9
Sale ..	6th Nov. 1865	215	46	20	241	2,856 7 1	407	1,932 1 6	109	1,649 14 5	3,138 14 2
Sandhurst ..	11th Sept. 1865	944	301	275	970	18,700 9 11	1,675	12,827 8 10	841	14,792 3 0	16,735 15 9
Sandridge ..	6th Nov. 1865	338	169	109	398	2,546 17 6	1,150	3,579 6 9	385	3,313 3 4	2,813 0 11
Scarsdale ..	1st Nov. 1867	51	14	13	52	759 3 0	163	382 7 11	39	335 17 6	805 13 5
Sebastopol ..	1st Nov. 1869	53	34	27	60	1,877 0 8	192	1,621 14 0	87	1,692 2 2	1,806 12 6
Seymour ..	1st Nov. 1869	59	18	20	57	1,101 16 0	72	831 9 2	78	1,029 9 4	903 15 10
Skipton ..	1st Feb. 1873	23	18	4	37	217 19 5	89	540 11 7	15	177 16 0	580 15 0
Smythesdale ..	1st Dec. 1865	148	17	11	154	1,253 5 10	109	554 5 7	58	668 10 2	1,139 1 3
Snake Valley ..	1st Feb. 1873	17	10	5	22	237 6 4	46	696 4 9	21	1,470 3 0	463 8 1
South Yarra ..	1st Jan. 1867	249	138	79	308	2,423 14 4	1,216	2,706 7 5	242	1,670 1 8	3,520 0 1
Stawell ..	1st Dec. 1867	240	129	82	293	3,812 1 9	575	3,093 17 3	232	3,321 6 7	3,584 12 5
Steiglitz ..	1st Jan. 1870	33	9	11	31	884 2 11	57	209 1 1	40	452 2 9	641 1 3
Stratford ..	1st July 1873	19	8	4	23	25 3 10	52	70 12 6	8	35 0 11	60 15 5
Streatham ..	1st March 1873	3	3	2	4	107 14 10	16	221 3 6	2	109 18 9	218 19 7
Stuartmill ..	1st April 1870	16	7	4	19	284 1 6	29	266 19 3	25	490 7 6	60 13 3
Stubbys ..	2nd May 1870	62	18	9	71	719 5 3	138	537 10 2	38	362 4 11	894 10 6
Swan Hill ..	1st Dec. 1865	41	17	10	48	847 9 0	82	752 2 0	21	272 7 9	1,327 3 3
Talbot ..	6th Nov. 1865	215	85	51	249	7,161 5 10	528	4,415 1 8	161	5,561 0 2	6,015 7 4
Tarradale ..	1st Nov. 1869	95	34	18	111	988 8 5	214	713 13 11	79	684 5 5	1,017 16 11
Tarnagulla ..	6th Nov. 1868	64	16	13	67	672 10 0	114	556 9 9	37	354 9 7	874 10 2
Terang ..	1st Oct. 1872	4	3	2	5	23 9 11	66	114 4 3	7	61 9 5	76 4 9
Toorak ..	17th Jan. 1870	74	24	20	78	739 16 9	374	773 13 8	52	775 5 8	738 4 9
Vaughan ..	17th Jan. 1870	41	16	15	42	1,051 13 8	71	419 6 1	41	822 10 10	648 8 11
Wahgunyah ..	1st July 1872	34	6	5	35	164 6 11	107	290 11 10	20	178 0 6	276 18 3
Walhalla ..	1st Feb. 1871	96	61	29	128	2,088 5 6	322	2,338 5 2	108	2,480 14 2	1,945 16 6
Wangaratta ..	1st Feb. 1866	201	59	67	193	2,067 17 8	435	1,821 16 1	146	1,779 8 9	2,110 5 0
Warrnambool ..	1st Dec. 1865	73	35	26	82	1,742 3 6	168	2,868 17 8	90	2,727 3 10	1,883 17 4
Whroo ..	1st Feb. 1868	63	15	11	67	827 9 7	81	488 17 9	39	482 12 8	833 14 8
Wickliffe ..	1st Nov. 1872	9	4	..	13	46 3 5	18	48 13 1	8	31 10 0	63 6 6
Williamstown ..	11th Sept. 1865	876	247	169	954	16,307 5 7	2,749	10,624 6 11	659	9,457 13 9	17,473 18 9
Winchelsea ..	9th May 1870	41	19	6	54	947 2 8	77	527 19 7	29	531 6 1	943 16 2
Wodonga ..	1st Feb. 1871	22	11	12	21	636 14 7	49	532 15 1	36	658 2 5	511 7 3
Wood's Point ..	1st Jan. 1869	106	13	20	99	3,240 9 2	114	1,555 8 4	68	1,947 14 9	2,848 2 9
Woodend ..	1st Nov. 1869	96	39	27	108	1,504 9 4	304	1,360 0 9	78	1,235 1 9	1,629 8 4
Yackandandah	1st Jan. 1866	63	11	4	70	672 4 11	90	567 17 8	22	353 4 4	886 18 3
		22,214	7,739	5,314	24,639	355,276 11 0	57,866	264,640 19 8	18,573	250,519 2 3	369,398 8 5
Melbourne ..	11th Sept. 1865	12,146	4,123	3,108	13,161	248,247 4 4	28,906	219,030 5 0	14,508	199,585 19 2	267,691 10 2
	Totals ..	34,360	11,862	8,422	37,800	603,523 15 4	86,772	483,671 4 8	33,081	450,105 1 5	637,089 18 7

PROGRESSIVE STATEMENT of the Money Order System in Victoria for the Decennial Period from 31st December 1864 to 31st December 1874.

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.
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	3,378 0 10	73,222	247,484 0 7	61,656	214,025 15 4	134,878	461,509 15 11
1869	171	3,593 11 5	82,234	272,531 9 1	69,657	237,844 1 10	151,891	510,375 10 11
1870	175	3,883 1 11	91,002	291,626 3 5	79,191	261,871 15 0	170,193	553,497 18 5
1871	187	4,159 0 8	100,908	313,223 13 3	90,182	290,066 0 5	191,090	603,289 13 8
1872	196	4,542 8 5	113,050	341,976 6 10	105,084	328,138 16 3	218,134	670,115 3 1
1873	204	4,731 2 11	113,135	341,961 10 8	109,048	348,019 0 6	222,183	689,980 11 2
1874	216	4,912 15 7	119,542	374,075 13 7	116,418	379,748 4 8	235,960	753,823 18 3

PROGRESSIVE STATEMENT of the Post Office Savings Banks in Victoria from the commencement of the system, 11th September 1865, to 31st December 1874.

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	5,703	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	233,412 14 0	16,435	163,267 4 0	7,272 2 2	243,478 15 6	7,501	3,991	17,866	13 12 6½
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 0½
1872	130	74,842	521,978 6 10	26,406	348,314 15 7	16,241 11 2	543,430 7 3	11,458	6,134	30,128	18 0 8½
1873	139	84,148	433,086 15 3	29,380	389,673 9 11	16,680 2 9	603,523 15 4	11,794	7,562	34,360	17 11 3½
1874	143	86,772	461,973 1 0	33,081	451,132 19 5	22,726 1 8	637,089 18 7	11,862	8,422	37,800	16 17 1

THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL in account with the Depositors from 1st January to 31st December 1874.

Dr. *Cr.*

1874.		£ s. d.	1874.		£ s. d.
1st January to 31st Dec.	To Balance from 1873 ...	603,523 15 4	1st January to 31st Dec.	By Repayments to Depositors in 1874	451,132 19 5
	„ Deposits received in 1874 ...	461,973 1 0		„ Balance due to Depositors...	637,089 18 7
	„ Interest credited to Depositors for 1874	22,726 1 8			
	£	1,088,222 18 0		£	1,088,222 18 0

THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL in account with the Honorable the Treasurer on account of Savings Bank Transactions for the Year 1874.

Dr. *Cr.*

1874.		£ s. d.	1874.		£ s. d.
1st January to 31st Dec.	To Balance, being Deposits received in 1873, and paid into Treasury January 1874	17,202 7 11	1st January to 31st Dec.	By Balance, being amount due by Treasurer for repayments to Depositors during 1873	6,834 18 3
	„ Deposits received in 1874...	461,973 1 0		„ Repayments to Depositors in 1874	451,132 19 5
	„ Cash received from Treasury	469,412 11 7		„ Cash paid into Treasury ...	490,195 0 6
	„ Interest allowed to Depositors for 1874	22,726 1 8		„ Amount due to Trust Fund for Interest credited to Depositors for 1874 ...	22,726 1 8
	„ Balance due from Treasury to replace money drawn from Money Order Account to repay Depositors	5,265 8 10		„ Cash in hand awaiting lodgment in Treasury ...	5,660 11 2
		£976,579 11 0			£976,579 11 0

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

The regulations referred to at page 3 for the appointment, promotion, pay, &c., of sorters, line-repairers, stampers, letter-carriers, and telegraph messengers, were approved by the Governor in Council on the 6th March 1874, and came into operation on the 1st July of the same year.

An increase in the number of operators, letter-carriers, and telegraph messengers has been found necessary, to keep pace with the growth of the business of the Department.

The increase in the number of sorters which has taken place is partly ascribable to the cause mentioned in the preceding paragraph, and partly to an alteration in the designation of mail guards who sort mails in travelling Post Office vans ; such officers having, since my last Report, been appointed sorters, with a travelling allowance when on duty.

To the change above referred to the reduction in the number of persons under the head of mail guards, as compared with the last statement of the strength of the Department, is to be attributed.

The Post and Telegraph Offices at the following places, namely—Market square, Brighton, Emerald Hill, Hawthorn, Mornington, Sandridge, St. Kilda, Alexandra, Bacchus Marsh, Ballan, Birregurra, Berwick, Eaglehawk, Footscray, Leigh Road, Lintons, Majorca, Malmesbury, New Gisborne, Newstead, Prahran, Sebastopol, Sorrento, Stratford, Stuartmill, Taradale, Terang, Winchelsea, and Yackandandah—are under the charge of postmistresses, and at the first seven named places female assistants are employed.

Female assistants are also employed at Cape Otway, Cape Schanck, Dandenong, Dunolly, Kerang, Learmonth, Longwood, Queenscliff, Shady Creek, Scarsdale, and Stockyard Creek.

A room has been set apart in connection with the Central Electric Telegraph Office for the suburban circuits, and females who have passed an examination in Telegraphy have been appointed to assist in carrying on the business under competent officers of their own sex, the whole being under the direction of the Manager. The female operators so appointed have been required to serve a period of probation satisfactorily, before being paid for their services, and it is from those who have so served the probation that postmistresses have in some instances been selected to take charge of small offices in the country.

As is stated in the Report for 1873, the employment of female operators in the Department has admitted of the advantages of electric telegraph communication being extended to several places in the country which must otherwise have been left without the accommodation, as the business of the stations referred to only justifies the payment of such salaries as those for which the services of postmistresses can be secured.

During the year five officers resigned, three retired, one was superannuated, two were reduced in class, one was dismissed, and two died.

STATEMENT showing the Strength and Distribution of the Staff of the Department as at present constituted.

Office.	Postmasters and Telegraph Managers.	Officers, Clerks, and Operators.	Sorters.	Instrument Fitters.	Mail-guards, Letter-carriers, and Stampers.	Line-repairers and Signalmen.	Printer's, &c., Assistants.	Mailmaster and Boatmen.	Office-keepers and Messengers.	Gas Engineer, Carpenter, Night-watchmen, and Constables.	Supernumeraries and Assistants.	Total.	Remarks.
Melbourne ...	...	163	75	5	85	7	15	5	43	7	56*	461	20 supernumeraries employed on arrival of the European mail
Alexandra ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Ararat	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	5	
Avoca	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Avenel	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Bacchus Marsh ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Bairnsdale ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Ballan	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Ballarat P.O. ...	1	4	2	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	15 supernumeraries employed on arrival of the European mail
Ballarat E.T.O. ...	1	5	...	...	...	1	...	...	10	...	...	17	
Beaufort	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	
Beechworth ...	1	1	2	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	8	
Belfast	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	5	
Benalla	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Berwick	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Birregurra ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Bright	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Brighton ...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	1	5	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Buninyong ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Camperdown ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Cape Otway ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	2	
Cape Schanck ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	

* These supernumeraries are only employed a portion of each month.

STATEMENT showing the Strength and Distribution of the Staff of the Department, &c.—*continued.*

Office.	Postmasters and Telegraph Managers.	Officers, Clerks, and Operators.	Sorters.	Instrument Fitters.	Mail-guards, Letter-carriers, and Stampers.	Line-repairers and Signalmen.	Printer's, &c., Assistants.	Mailmaster and Boatmen.	Office-keepers and Messengers.	Gas Engineer, Carpenter, Night-watchmen, and Constables.	Supernumeraries and Assistants.	Total.	Remarks.
Carisbrook ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Casterton ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Castlemaine P.O. ...	1	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	
Castlemaine E.T.O.	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	4	
Chiltern	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Clunes	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	5	
Colac	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	
Coleraine ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Collingwood ...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	6	
Creswick	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	1	5	
Dandenong ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	Postmaster paid out of Contingencies
Daylesford ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	4	
Dunolly	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	3	
Eaglehawk ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Eldorado ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Emerald Hill ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	5	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Echuca	1	3	...	...	2	...	...	...	3	...	...	9	
Footscray ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Fryerstown ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmaster paid out of Contingencies
Geelong	1	8	1	...	10	1	...	...	4	...	...	25	5 supernumeraries employed on arrival of European mail
Hamilton ...	1	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	2	...	...	6	
Hawthorn ...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	1	6	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Heathcote ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Hexham	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Horsham	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	
Inglewood ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	
Jamieson ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmaster paid out of Contingencies
Kangaroo Flat ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Kerang*	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	* Line-repairer in charge
Kilmore	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	3	
Koroit	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmaster paid out of Contingencies
Kyneton	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	6	
Linton	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Longwood ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	
Majorca	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Maldon	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Malmesbury ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Mansfield ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Maryborough ...	1	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	6	
Mornington ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	3	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Mortlake ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Nagambie ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
New Gisborne ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Newstead ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Penshurst ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Port Albert ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Portland	1	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	6	
Prahran	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	4	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Queenscliff ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	4	
Richmond ...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	5	
Rosedale	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Rushworth ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Runnymede ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	
Rutherglen ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Sale	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	4	
Sandhurst ...	1	4	3	...	11	1	...	...	4	...	...	24	
Sandridge ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	3	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Sebastopol ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Seymour	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Shady Creek ...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	* Line-repairer in charge
Smythesdale ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	
Sorrento	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
St. Arnaud ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
St. Kilda ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	5	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Stawell	1	3	1	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	1	10	
Stockyard Creek ...	1*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	3	* Line-repairer in charge
Streatham ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Stratford	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Stuartmill ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Swan Hill ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Talbot	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Taradale	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Tarnagulla ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	
Terang	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Wabdallah ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Wahgunyah ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Walhalla ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	
Wangaratta ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	4	
Warrnambool ...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	...	...	7	
Williamstown ...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	...	...	7	
Wilson's Promontory	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	2	
Winchelsea ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Wodonga ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	
Woodend ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	
Wood's Point ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Yackandandah ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	Postmistress paid out of Contingencies
Totals ...	102	201	88	5	160	21	15	5	175	7	77	856	

RETURN of Officers, &c., of the Melbourne Establishment, Absent from Duty on account of Illness, during 1874.

Branch.	Officers, &c.		Number of Days Absent.	Remarks.
	Number Employed.	Number Absent.		
Correspondence branch	9	4	5	
Accounts branch	10	5	42	One officer absent 20 days, and one 17 days.
Mail branch	70	51	520	One officer absent 131 days, one 51 days, and five during 136 days.
Money Orders and Savings Banks ...	23	12	185	One officer absent 104 days, and one 24 days.
Stamp branch	5	1	47	
Dead Letter branch	4	2	7	
Stores and Printing	44	10	78	Four officers absent 53 days.
Electric Telegraph branch... ...	66	30	447	One officer absent 137 days, one 67 days, and five 136 days.

Out of six mail guards, one was absent during nine days.
Out of thirty-five letter-carriers, fifteen were absent during 96 days. Of this number four were absent during 61 days.
Out of thirty-three telegraph messengers, thirty were absent during 162 days, six of whom were absent during 103 days.

STEAM POSTAL COMMUNICATION.

The arrangements for the transmission of Mails to Europe and the East, and to the continent of America, are fully described at page 23 of the Report for the year 1873. These arrangements have proved highly advantageous to this colony so far as the year 1874 is concerned.

Under the old contract, the average net cost per annum of the Suez service to this colony, during the eight years preceding the year 1874, was £21,543.

The net cost of the same service during 1874, under the existing contract between the Postmaster-General of Victoria and the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, has been (taking credit for the estimated amount to be paid by the French Government for the conveyance of the New Caledonia Mails), say £12,543, showing a gain on the first year of the new contract of £9,000.

The net cost to this colony of the California and Torres Straits services has been during the year £1,580, so that the public of Victoria has had the advantage of three different postal routes to the United Kingdom, and of more direct steam postal communication with the continent of America, for a less amount by £7,420 per annum than was paid before the commencement of the new contract, which also carries with it the benefit derived by Melbourne being the docking port for the steamers employed in the Point de Galle service.

The following is a statement showing the total cost of the Mail service between Point de Galle and Melbourne, the amount chargeable against other Governments, the amount of penalties recovered, and the net cost of the service to the colony of Victoria for the year 1874 :—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
DR.		
To Amount of contract with the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company ...	90,000 0 0	
„ Premium earned for arrival of Mails in less than contract time	550 0 0	
		90,550 0 0
CR.		
By Amounts chargeable to other Governments, on account of Peninsular and Oriental Company's contract :—		
Great Britain	15,415 11 0	
New South Wales	8,706 12 1	
South Australia	14,755 4 11	
Tasmania	3,528 3 4	
Queensland	1,202 3 1	
Western Australia	2,249 5 8	
New Zealand	11,749 10 3	
	57,606 10 4	
„ Estimated amount to be paid by the French Government	889 0 0	
„ Penalty incurred by company for non-arrival of Mail to time	100 0 0	
„ Postages collected in Victoria	19,412 0 3	
		78,007 10 7
		12,542 9 5

	£ s. d.
Net cost under old contract	21,543 0 0
Ditto ditto present ditto	12,543 0 0
Saving under new contract	9,000 0 0

Return showing the Number of Letters, Packets, and Newspapers received and despatched by the Royal Mail Steamers in each Month during the Year 1874.

Received.					Despatched.				
Date.	Name of Steamer.	Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.	Date.	Name of Steamer.	Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.
1874.					1874.				
Jan. 5	Ellora	9,285	1,274	32,419	Jan. 2	Nubia ...	30,053	894	44,924
Jan. 16	Pera	30,801	2,646	63,611	Jan. 29	Pera	38,253	1,173	41,410
Feb. 8	Bangalore ...	41,489	4,234	99,164	Feb. 26	Bangalore ...	39,900	1,349	39,823
March 12	Nubia	43,539	3,935	92,017	Mar. 26	Nubia ...	38,414	1,375	49,045
April 7	Baroda... ...	47,783	3,872	98,734	April 21	Baroda ...	36,356	1,029	37,306
May 4	Pera	43,168	4,418	102,592	May 19	Pera	40,817	1,072	40,905
June 2	Nubia	40,258	3,776	88,848	June 16	Nubia ...	39,565	986	45,958
June 27	Baroda... ...	41,520	3,832	89,221	July 14	Baroda ...	39,043	990	45,855
July 23	Pera	38,244	3,924	92,174	Aug. 11	Pera	38,877	1,241	47,721
Aug. 21	Nubia	38,099	3,601	85,101	Sept. 8	Nubia ...	38,014	1,362	40,087
Sept. 21	Golconda ...	39,266	4,899	80,168	Oct. 8	Golconda ...	37,394	1,330	41,986
Oct. 15	Pera	43,419	9,516	83,266	Nov. 5	Pera	35,464	1,173	36,757
Nov. 16	Nubia	42,089	6,716	81,066	Dec. 3	Nubia ...	35,537	1,181	37,269
Dec. 12	Ceylon... ...	48,850	6,967	91,220	Dec. 31	Ceylon ...	31,150	1,004	46,391
	Totals ...	547,910	63,610	1,179,601		Totals ...	518,837	16,159	595,437

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 and London.

Name of Steamer.	Due at Melbourne.		Arrived at Melbourne.		Duration of Voyage from Galle.	Late.	Before appointed Time.	Duration of Voyage from London to Melbourne.	
	Date.	Time.	Date.	Time.				*Via* Brindisi.	*Via* Southampton.
	1874.		1874.		Days hrs. min.	Days hrs. min.	Days hrs. min.	Days.	Days.
Pera ...	Jan. 13	11 p.m.	Jan. 16	6.40 p.m.	25 6 30	2 19 40	...	49	57
Bangalore ...	Feb. 11	9 p.m.	Feb. 8	8.50 a.m.	21 11 35	...	3 12 10	44	52
Nubia ...	March 11	,,	March 12	8.50 a.m.	22 2 35	0 11 50	...	48	56
Baroda ...	April 8	,,	April 7	9.50 a.m.	22 3 20	...	1 11 10	46	54
Pera ...	May 6	,,	May 4	4.30 p.m.	22 17 0	...	2 4 30	45	53
Nubia ...	June 3	,,	June 2	4.10 a.m.	21 21 55	...	1 16 50	46	54
Baroda ...	July 1	,,	June 27	2.55 p.m.	20 19 40	...	4 6 5	43	51
Pera ...	July 29	,,	July 23	6 a.m.	19 12 0	...	6 15 0	41	49
Nubia ...	Aug. 26	,,	Aug. 21	8.37 a.m.	20 16 7	...	5 12 23	42	50
Golconda ...	Sept. 23	,,	Sept. 21	10.50 a.m.	22 18 5	...	2 10 10	45	53
Pera ...	Oct. 21	,,	Oct. 15	2.30 a.m.	19 4 25	...	6 18 30	41	49
Nubia ...	Nov. 18	,,	Nov. 15	11.25 p.m.	22 8 25	...	2 21 35	44	52
Ceylon ...	Dec. 16	,,	Dec. 12	7.55 p.m.	21 4 40	...	4 1 5	43	51

Note.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was—*via* Brindisi, 44 days 9 hours; *via* Southampton, 52 days 9 hours.

Statement showing the Dates upon which the Royal Mail Steamers despatched from Melbourne were due in London, and the Dates upon which they arrived at destination.

Name of Steamer.	Date of Despatch.	*Via* Brindisi.		Late.	Before appointed Time.	*Via* Southampton.		Late.	Before appointed Time.	Duration of Voyage.	
		Due in London.	Arrived in London.			Due in London.	Arrived in London.			*Via* Brindisi.	*Via* Southampton.
	1874.	1874.	1874.	Days.	Days.	1874.	1874.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.
Pera ...	Jan. 29	Mar. 16	Mar. 15	...	1	March 23	Mar. 23	...	...	45	53
Bangalore	Feb. 26	April 13	April 13	...	...	April 20	April 22	2	...	46	55
Nubia ...	March 26	May 11	May 11	...	...	May 18	May 18	...	...	46	53
Baroda ...	April 21	June 8	June 8	...	...	June 15	June 15	...	...	48	55
Pera ...	May 19	July 6	July 10	4	...	July 13	July 21	8	...	52	63
Nubia ...	June 16	Aug. 3	Aug. 3	...	...	Aug. 10	Aug. 11	1	...	48	56
Baroda ...	July 14	Aug. 31	Aug. 30	...	1	Sept. 7	Sept. 6	...	1	47	54
Pera ...	Aug. 11	Sept. 28	Sept. 27	...	1	Oct. 5	Oct. 6	1	...	47	56
Nubia ...	Sept. 8	Oct. 26	Oct. 25	...	1	Nov. 2	Nov. 1	...	1	47	54
Golconda...	Oct. 8	Nov. 23	Nov. 24	1	...	Nov. 30	Dec. 3	3	...	47	56
Pera ...	Nov. 5	Dec. 21	Dec. 19	...	2	Dec. 28	Dec. 30	2	...	44	55
		1875.	1875.			1875.	1875.				
Nubia ...	Dec. 3	Jan. 18	Jan. 16	...	2	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	1	...	44	54
Ceylon ...	Dec. 31	Feb. 15	Feb. 14	...	1	Feb. 22	Feb. 21	...	1	45	52

Note.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was—*via* Brindisi, 46 days 15 hours; *via* Southampton, 55 days 2 hours.

STATEMENT showing the Dates on which the Mails *via* Torres Straits were despatched from London, and the Dates on which they arrived at Brisbane, also the Time occupied in the Transmission of the Mails *viâ* Brindisi and Southampton respectively, during the Year 1874.

Name of Vessel.	Left London.		Arrived, Brisbane Bar.			Days *via* Southampton.			Days *via* Brindisi.		
	Via Southampton.	*Via* Brindisi.									
Under Interim Time Table.	2 p.m. 1874.	8.50 p.m. 1874.	1874.			Days	hrs.	min.	Days	hrs.	min.
Bentan (chartered) ...	January 1	January 9	March	10	9 p.m.	68	7	0	60	0	0
Flintshire, do.	January 29	February 6	April	4	2 a.m.	64	12	0	56	5	10
Jeddah, do.	February 26	March 6	April	29	8.20 p.m.	62	6	20	53	23	30
Tom Morton, do.	March 26	April 3	May	29	11 p.m.	64	9	0	56	2	10
Flintshire, do.	April 23	May 1	June	30	9.30 a.m.	67	19	30	59	12	40
Legislator, do.	May 21	May 29	July	19	12.25 p.m.	58	22	25	50	15	35
Jeddah, do.	June 18	June 26	August	18	9.55 a.m.	60	19	55	52	13	5
Alexandra, do. (A.S.N. Co.'s boat)	July 16	July 24	Sept.	17	10.30 a.m.	62	20	30	54	12	40
Somerset (Company's boat) ...	August 13	August 21	October	12	9.10 a.m.	59	19	10	51	11	20
Legislator (chartered) ...	September 10	September 18	November	9	7.20 a.m.	59	17	20	51	10	30
Under Contract Time Table.											
Normanby (Company's boat)	October 8	October 16	December	11	11.35 a.m.	63	21	35	55	14	45
			1875.								
Somerset, do.	November 5	November 13	January	4	1.20 a.m.	59	11	20	51	4	30
Brisbane, do.	December 3	December 11	January	29	2.20 a.m.	57	0	30	48	5	40

NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was—*via* Brindisi, 53 days 23 hours; *via* Southampton, 62 days 7 hours.

STATEMENT showing the Dates upon which the Mails *via* Torres Straits were despatched from Brisbane, and the Dates on which they arrived in London, also the Time occupied in the Transmission of the Mails *viâ* Brindisi and Southampton respectively, during the Year 1874.

Name of Vessel.	Left Brisbane Bar.		Arrived at London.		*Via* Brindisi.	*Via* Southampton.
			Via Brindisi.	*Via* Southampton.		
Under Interim Time Table.	1874.		1874.	1874.	Days.	Days.
Sunfoo	January 6	4 a.m.	* ...	March 8	...	61
Flintshire	February 2	,,	* ...	April 4	...	61
Tom Morton	March 1	,,	April 26 ...	May 3	56	63
Bentan	March 29	,,	May 25 ...	June 1	57	64
Flintshire	April 23	,,	June 23 ...	June 30	61	68
Jeddah	May 21	,,	July 19 ...	July 26	59	66
Tom Morton	June 18	,,	August 15 ...	August 22	58	65
Alexandra	July 22	,,	* ...	September 17	...	57
Legislator	August 13	,,	October 10 ...	October 17	58	65
Jeddah	September 19	,,	* ...	November 10	...	52
Tom Morton	October 11	,,	* ...	December 11	...	61
Under Contract Time Table.			1875.	1875.		
Somerset	November 11	,,	January 4 ...	January 11	54	61
Legislator	December 9	,,	* ...	February 6	...	59

NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage was—during seven voyages *via* Brindisi, 57 days 13 hours; during thirteen voyages *via* Southampton, 61 days 17 hours.

* These mails forwarded by the French Packets (Messagéries Maritimes).

STATEMENT showing the Dates on which the Mails *via* San Francisco were despatched from England, and the Dates on which they arrived at Sydney, also the Time occupied in the Voyage, during the Year 1874.

Name of Steamer.	Date of Arrival at Sydney.	Date from San Francisco.	Date from England.	Number of Days from San Francisco.	Number of Days from England.
	1874.	1874.	1874.		
Macgregor, per Tartar	March 10	February 3	January 13	35	56
City of Melbourne	April 6	March 7	February 10	30	55
Mikado, per Mongol	May 5	March 31	March 10	35	56
Tartar	May 27	April 27	April 7	30	50
Mikado	July 1	May 27	May 5	35	57
Cyphrenes, per City of Adelaide ...	July 24	June 21	June 2	32	52
Tartar	September 2	July 28	June 30	36	64
Macgregor	September 24	August 17	July 28	38	58
Mikado	October 15	September 13	August 25	32	51
City of Melbourne	November 9	October 12	September 22	28	48
Cyphrenes	December 17	November 10	October 20	37	58
	1875.				
Macgregor	January 11	December 8	November 17	34	55
		1875.			
Mikado	February 6	January 6	December 15	31	53

NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was 54 days 20 hours.

STATEMENT showing the Dates on which the Mails *via* San Francisco were despatched from Sydney; and the Dates on which they arrived in England, also the Time occupied in the Voyage, during the Year 1874.

Name of Steamer.	Date from Sydney.	Date of Arrival at San Francisco.	Date of Arrival at England.	Number of Days to San Francisco.	Number of Days to England.
	1874.	1874.	1874.		
City of Melbourne	January 17	February 17	March 10	31	52
Tartar, for Mikado	February 15	March 17	April 5	29	49
Tartar	March 14	April 13	May 3	30	50
Cyphrenes, for Mikado	April 11	May 21	June 10	40	60
City of Adelaide, for Cyphrenes ...	May 9	June 13	July 5	35	57
Tartar	June 6	July 8	July 27	32	51
Macgregor	July 4	August 8	August 30	35	57
Mikado	August 1	August 30	September 18	29	48
City of Melbourne	August 29	September 26	October 17	28	49
Cyphrenes	September 26	October 29	November 18	33	53
Macgregor	October 24	November 27	December 15	34	52
			1875.		
Mikado	November 21	December 21	January 10	30	50
		1875.			
Cyphrenes	December 23	January 30	February 22	38	61

NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was 53 days.

STATEMENT showing the Average Number of Days occupied in the Transmission of the Mails between Australia and the United Kingdom by the Suez, Torres Straits, and California Routes respectively during the Year 1874.

Contracting Colony.	Australian Termini.	Route.	Outward.			Homeward.		
			Average Number of Days occupied per Voyage.			Average Number of Days occupied per Voyage.		
			Via Brindisi.	*Via* Southampton.	*Via* San Francisco.	*Via* Brindisi.	*Via* Southampton.	*Via* San Francisco.
			Days hrs.	Days hrs.	Days hrs.	Days hrs.	Days hrs.	Days hrs.
Victoria ...	Melbourne	Suez ...	44 9	52 9	...	46 15	55 2	...
Queensland ...	Brisbane	Torres Straits	53 23	62 7	...	57 13	61 17	...
New South Wales	Sydney ...	California ...	...	...	54 20	...	...	53 0

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APPENDICES.

APPENDIX A.

STATEMENT showing the Revenue and Expenditure and Net Annual Cost of the Post Office and Telegraph Department; also the Number of Inland Letters Posted in the Colony, the Ship Letters Received and Despatched, and the Number of Telegraphic Messages Transmitted in each year from 1862 to 1874 inclusive.

Year.	Number of Offices.	Post Office.						Electric Telegraph.		
		Expenditure.				Total Revenue.	Net Cost.	Total Expenditure.	Total Revenue.	Net Cost.
		Steam Postal Service.	Inland Mail Service.	All Other Expenditure.	Total Expenditure.					
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1862	408	43,534 11 4	48,322 17 1	67,311 4 0	159,168 12 5	117,515 1 8	41,653 10 9	33,340 2 3	26,834 19 8	6,505 2 7
1863	437	40,122 17 4	53,854 8 3	68,785 0 11	162,762 6 6	121,212 5 0	41,550 1 6	35,645 11 9	25,768 15 8	9,876 16 1
1864	475	40,122 17 4	59,732 17 8	74,069 0 4	173,924 15 4	129,373 0 7	44,551 14 9	35,976 6 3	30,601 17 11	5,374 8 4
1865	525	40,122 17 4	58,904 8 6	77,984 2 8	177,011 8 6	138,807 0 3	38,204 8 3	37,846 17 5	35,767 17 4	2,079 0 1
1866	555	28,774 16 11	61,012 11 9	85,571 2 11	175,358 11 7	130,558 12 4	44,799 19 3	38,473 2 10	36,178 17 4	2,294 5 6
1867	583	37,297 2 7	66,430 6 9	90,715 16 6	194,443 5 10	114,029 2 9	80,414 3 1	40,462 9 2	29,148 12 2	11,313 17 0
1868	633	42,145 14 1	70,626 15 11	96,379 9 9	209,151 19 9	119,280 4 2	89,871 15 7	41,715 3 4	30,760 10 4	10,954 13 0
1869	660	46,555 16 2	68,416 3 0	129,156 5 7	244,128 4 9	164,735 12 7	79,392 12 2	..	..	..
1870	683	35,529 5 8	75,764 1 11	135,701 8 2	246,994 15 9	161,191 12 2	85,803 3 7	..	..	..
1871	711	44,415 5 2	83,391 3 0	137,318 18 3	265,125 6 5	166,933 5 4	98,192 1 1	..	..	..
1872	741	47,125 15 9	97,588 7 6	147,909 2 9	292,623 6 0	184,308 11 9	108,314 14 3	..	..	..
1873	794	37,821 13 5	94,297 7 5	158,043 5 11	*290,162 6 9	193,384 5 11	96,778 0 10	..	..	..
1874	802	31,995 0 0	98,737 16 9	171,189 10 6	*301,882 7 3	196,923 0 2	104,959 7 1	..	..	..

Year.	Inland.			Ship— Received and Despatched.			Total.			Numbers of Telegraphic Messages Transmitted.
	Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.	Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.	Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.	
1862	4,345,066	..	2,310,346	1,931,557	..	2,598,873	6,276,623	..	4,909,219	211,685
1863	4,581,169	..	2,164,475	2,055,122	..	2,766,171	6,636,291	..	4,930,646	234,520
1864	4,778,028	40,443	2,763,544	2,012,216	22,468	2,908,001	6,790,244	62,911	5,671,545	256,380
1865	5,579,097	70,871	3,151,385	1,906,711	37,017	2,886,144	7,485,809	107,888	6,037,529	279,741
1866	6,650,000	267,843	2,495,045	1,981,133	47,362	2,943,343	8,631,133	315,205	5,438,388	277,787
1867	7,663,200	298,332	2,435,934	1,904,790	48,421	2,471,885	9,567,990	286,753	4,907,819	235,648
1868	7,905,067	272,942	2,527,549	1,844,649	51,201	2,446,553	9,749,716	324,143	4,974,102	276,677
1869	8,759,848	314,695	2,596,892	1,822,863	61,344	2,654,435	10,582,711	376,039	5,251,327	277,132
1870	9,288,153	344,515	2,697,579	1,845,130	68,771	2,589,903	11,133,283	413,286	5,287,482	454,598
1871	9,900,064	394,398	2,807,501	1,816,102	75,149	2,365,469	11,716,166	469,547	5,172,970	537,398
1872	11,000,000	452,711	2,998,633	1,941,095	103,755	2,492,139	12,941,095	556,486	5,490,772	639,960
1873	12,342,000	594,591	3,524,857	2,133,085	112,725	2,555,150	14,475,085	707,316	6,080,007	718,167
1874	13,250,000	1,116,755	4,123,200	2,488,888	153,067	2,743,718	15,738,888	1,269,822	6,866,918	701,080

In 1869 the Electric Telegraph was amalgamated with the Post Office Department, and from that period the Revenue and Expenditure for both Services appear under one head.

A separate account of packets was not kept previous to the year 1864.

* The cost of construction and repairs of Electric Telegraph lines (viz., £15,519 for 1873, and £24,131 for 1874) is not included in these figures. Previous to the year 1873 expenditure of the kind was borne upon the Estimates of the Public Works Department.

APPENDIX B.

RETURN showing the Interruptions to Telegraphic Communication in Victoria during the Year 1874.

Date.	Designation of Line.	Points of Interruption.	Period of Interruption.	Supposed or ascertained Causes.
1874.				
January 5	Gippsland	Between Melbourne and Brighton	9 hours	Decayed posts.
„ 5	Bright	Between Beechworth and Bright	8 „	Tree fell on line.
„ 5	Cross Country ...	Between Stuartmill and St. Arnaud ...	5 „	„ „
„ 6	Gippsland	Between Melbourne and Dandenong ...	5 „	„ „
„ 9	Stawell Branch ...	Between Stawell and Ararat	4 „	„ „
„ 12	Creswick	Between Ballarat and Creswick	6 „	„ „
„ 12	No. 3 Western ...	Between Streatham and Mortlake	12 „	„ „
„ 14	Ditto	Between Streatham and Hexham	14 „	„ „
„ 15	Stawell	Between Ararat and Stawell	3 „	Bad weather.
„ 17	St. Arnaud	Between Avoca and Stuartmill	5 „	Line blown down.
„ 22	Sandhurst No. 2 ...	Between Castlemaine and Sandhurst ...	8 „	Post down.
„ 24	Gippsland	Between Sale and Port Albert	3 „	Line blown down.
„ 29	Ditto	Between Port Albert and Stockyard Creek ...	18 „	„ „
„ 30	No. 1 and 2 Western...	At Camperdown	½ „	Tree fell on line.
Febuary 2	St. Arnaud	Between Clunes and Maryborough	2 „	Defect in Talbot office.
„ 2	Flinders	Between Mornington and Flinders	27 „	Defect in leading in wires at Elsternwick.
„ 4	Queenscliff	Between Geelong and Queenscliff	12 „	Ten posts burned down.
„ 5	Gippsland	Between Berwick and Shady Creek ...	9 „	Two posts burned down.
„ 7	Ditto	Between Port Albert and Stockyard Creek ...	10 „	Tree on line.
„ 9	Ditto	Ditto, ditto, ditto ...	10 „	„ „
„ 10	Southern Coast ...	Between Mornington and Flinders	7 „	Altering wires.
„ 10	Gippsland	Between Port Albert and Stockyard Creek ...	5 „	Tree fell on line.
„ 12	Western	Between Camperdown and Warrnambool ...	14 „	Men working on line.
„ 14	Suburban	Between Mornington and Frankston ...	14 „	Bush fires.
„ 14	Gippsland	Between Berwick and Sale	12 „	„
„ 14	Western No. 1 ...	Between Camperdown and Colac	6 „	Line blown down.
„ 14	Coast	Between Melbourne and Mornington ...	12 „	Seven poles down near Frankston
„ 16	Gippsland	Between Shady Creek and Berwick ...	6 „	Line blown down.
„ 16	North-Eastern ...	Between Wangaratta and Beechworth ...	12 „	„ „
„ 16	Western Coast ...	Between Camperdown and Warrnambool ...	8 „	„ „
„ 17	Southern	Between Melbourne and Mornington ...	5 „	„ „
„ 23	Daylesford	Between Castlemaine and Daylesford ...	6 „	„ „
„ 24	No. 4, 5, and 6, Western	Near Werribee	11 „	„ „
„ 24	No. 2 Western ...	Between Colac and Camperdown	12 „	Defect in Colac office.
„ 26	Cape Otway ...	Between Geelong and Cape Otway	36 „	Trees on line and blown down.
„ 27	Western	Between Williamstown Junction and Werribee	7 „	Post down.
March 2	Ditto	Between Warrnambool and Portland ...	12 „	Men working on line.
„ 3	Ditto	Ditto, ditto ...	12 „	„ „
„ 4	Ditto	Ditto, ditto	12 „	„ „
„ 5	Sandhurst	In Sandhurst office	8 „	Wires fused by lightning.
„ 5	No. 3 Western ...	Between Melbourne and Geelong	3 „	Fault in Geelong office.
„ 11	Cape Otway ...	Between Geelong and Cape Otway	12 „	Line interrupted by thunderstorm.
„ 18	No. 3 Western ...	Beyond Casterton	2 „	Men clearing timber.
„ 23	Gippsland	Between Shady Creek and Rosedale ...	11 „	Tree fell on line.
„ 26	Western	Between Belfast and Portland and Camperdown and Warrnambool	12 „	Lines blown down by storm.
„ 26	Gippsland	Beyond Port Albert	2½ „	Tree on line.
„ 28	No. 4	Between Clunes and Talbot	12 „	Posts broken down.
„ 28	Chiltern Branch ...	Between Chiltern and Beechworth	12 „	Line down.
„ 31	No. 1 and 2 Western	Between Camperdown, Warrnambool, and Portland	12 „	Stormy weather.
„ 31	Gippsland	Between Port Albert and Stockyard Creek ...	12 „	„ „
April 7	South Coast ...	Between Flinders and Cape Schanck ...	2 „	„ „
„ 13	North-Eastern ...	Between Melbourne and Wallan	12 „	Unknown.
„ 15	1 and 2 North-Eastern	Between Kilmore and Seymour	6 „	Men working on line.
„ 16	Gippsland	Between Rosedale and Sale	9 „	Wires crossed near Sale.
„ 18	North-Eastern 1, 2, & 3	Between Kilmore and Seymour	10 „	Unknown.
„ 28	Gippsland	Near Shady Creek	1¾ „	Leading in wire broken at Shady Creek office.
„ 29	No. 4	Between Dunolly and Tarnagulla	7½ „	Lines crossed.
May 1	Swan Hill	Between Kerang and Swan Hill	14 „	Fault main battery, Swan Hill.
„ 1	No. 6	Between Williamstown Junction and Werribee	6½ „	Unknown.
„ 1	Suburban	Between Hawthorn and Collingwood ...	3½ „	Caused by dray with trees coming in contact with wires.
„ 2	North-Eastern Railway	Between Wangaratta and Benalla	12 „	Unknown. Fault discovered in Benalla Railway office.
„ 3	Ditto	Ditto, ditto	12 „	
„ 4	Ditto	Ditto, ditto	12 „	
„ 4	No. 6	Between Williamstown Junction and Werribee	5½ „	Unknown.
„ 6	Gippsland	Between Stockyard Creek and Wilson's Promontory	3 „	„
„ 7	Suburban	Beyond South Yarra	2¾ „	„
„ 7	North-Eastern ...	Between Kilmore and Broadford	7 „	Line broken.
„ 16	North-Eastern No. 3...	Between Newmarket and Wallan	3¼ „	Unknown.
„ 16	Southern Coast ...	Between Sandridge and Snapper Point ...	4½ „	Lines down ten miles from Melbourne.
„ 18	Gippsland	Between Port Albert and Stockyard Creek ...	4½ „	Unknown.
„ 20	Southern Coast ...	Near Schnapper Point	2 „	Line repairer working on line.
„ 20	Wood's Point Branch	Between Jamieson and Mansfield	12 „	Unknown.
„ 21	No. 4	At Maryborough	3 „	Defective connections at Maryborough office.

RETURN showing the Interruptions to Telegraphic Communication—*continued.*

Date.	Designation of Line.	Points of Interruption.	Period of Interruption.	Supposed or ascertained Causes.
1874.				
May 26	Heathcote Branch ...	Between Kilmore and Maryborough ...	9 hours	Broken by fallen tree.
„ 29	Suburban	At Railway Bridge	6 „	Two poles blown down.
June 5	Northern Railway ...	Between Sunbury and Lancefield Road ...	6½ „	Posts down.
„ 15	No. 5 Ballarat ...	Between Melbourne and Werribee	12 „	Unknown.
„ 16	Ditto	At Time-ball Tower, William street ...	16 „	Interrupted at time-ball tower.
„ 17	Gippsland	Between Shady Creek and Rosedale ...	3 „	Unknown.
„ 17	Suburban	At Coburg	1 „	Fault at Coburg office.
„ 17	North-Eastern Railway	Between Wangaratta and Chiltern	4½ „	Unknown.
„ 17	No. 4	Between Melbourne and Geelong	6 „	Fault at Footscray office.
„ 19	Ballarat Railway ...	At Williamstown Junction	3 „	Fault at Williamstown Junction office.
„ 22	Gippsland	Between Berwick and Shady Creek... ...	12 „	Floods.
„ 22	No. 3 Western ...	Between Streatham and Mortlake	12 „	Line down.
„ 23	Ditto	Ditto, ditto	12 „	„ „
„ 23	Wood's Point Branch	Beyond Jamieson...	12 „	Snow on mountains.
„ 24	Alexandra Branch ...	Near Darlingford	6 „	Man falling trees.
„ 25	No. 1 and 2 Western	Beyond Terang	5 „	Unknown.
„ 26	Gippsland and South Coast	Near Windsor Railway Station	5 „	Lines down.
„ 26	Suburban	Between Emerald Hill and Melbourne ...	4 „	Wire down.
„ 27	Ditto	Between St. Kilda and Brighton	½ „	Wire broken near Prahran.
„ 27	North-Eastern Railway	Between Newmarket and Wallan	8 „	Line broken.
„ 27	Gippsland	Near Melbourne	3 „	Wire broken.
July 3	Wood's Point Branch	Beyond Jamieson...	24 „	Unknown.
„ 7	Gippsland, Western and North-Eastern	Almost unworkable	12 „	Stormy weather.
„ 8	Western, Gippsland, and North-Eastern			
„ 9	North-Eastern, Gippsland, and Western			
„ 22	No. 4	Between Clunes and Talbot	5 „	Unknown.
„ 22	Walhalla Branch ...	Between Rosedale and Walhalla	7 „	„
„ 27	North-Eastern Railway	Between Violet Town and Longwood ...	5 „	Contract for clearing timber.
„ 29	Maryborough Railway	Between Maryborough and Newstead ...	12 „	Men working on line.
„ 30	Ditto	Ditto, ditto ...	12 „	„ „
„ 31	Ditto	Ditto, ditto ...	12 „	„ „
August 4	North-Eastern No. 3 Railway	Between Melbourne and Wallan	2 „	Unknown.
„ 5	Ditto	Ditto, ditto	12 „	„
„ 6	Ditto	Ditto, ditto	12 „	„
„ 13	Walhalla Branch ...	Between Rosedale and Walhalla	5½ „	„
„ 13	North-Eastern ...	Between Wodonga and Albury	12 „	Men working on line.
„ 20	North-Eastern No. 3 ...	Near North Melbourne	12 „	By house coming in contact with wires.
„ 20	All Northern ...	Ditto, ditto	12 „	
„ 21	North-Eastern Railway	Between Kilmore and Wallan	4 „	Unknown.
„ 22	Walhalla	Between Rosedale and Walhalla	12 „	Heavy gales.
„ 22	No. 3 Western ...	Between Penshurst and Hamilton	24 „	Heavy westerly gales.
„ 24	Ditto	Ditto, ditto	24 „	„ „
„ 25	Gippsland	Beyond Shady Creek	5¼ „	„ „
Sept. 4	Gippsland	Between Shady Creek and Rosedale ...	14 „	Stormy weather.
„ 7	Wahgunyah Branch ...	Between Beechworth and Wahgunyah ...	8 „	Unknown.
„ 7	Cape Otway ...	Beyond Geelong	12 „	„
„ 8	Ditto	Ditto	12 „	„
„ 9	Ditto	Ditto	12 „	„
„ 12	Northern Railway ...	At North Melbourne	3½ „	Lines down.
„ 15	Suburban	Between Collingwood and Hawthorn ...	6 „	Wires crossed.
„ 18	No. 4	Between Stuartmill and St. Arnaud ...	11 „	Unknown.
„ 21	Western	All affected by stormy weather	12 „	Stormy weather.
„ 22	North-Eastern ...			
„ 23	Northern			
„ 24	South Coast and Gippsland			
„ 30	Echuca	Near Echuca	12 „	Wire broken.
October 1	Northern	At River	12 „	„ „
„ 5	Suburban	Between Emerald Hill and Sandridge ...	2 „	Defect found in Emerald Hill Railway.
„ 5	Swan Hill	Near Gisborne	6 „	Pole broken.
„ 13	Ditto	Beyond Kerang, also crossed between Melbourne and Castlemaine	8 „	Unknown.
„ 13	No. 4	Between Stuartmill and St. Arnaud ...	12 „	Wire broken near Kerang.
„ 15	North-Eastern, No. 2	Between Seymour and Longwood	12 „	Unknown.
„ 20	Gippsland	Between Shady Creek and Rosedale ...	10 „	Thunderstorm.
„ 21	No 3 Western ...	Between Streatham and Mortlake	12 „	Stormy weather.
„ 23	Gippsland	Between Shady Creek and Rosedale ...	5 „	Five poles down near Rosedale.
Nov. 3	North-Eastern Railway	Beyond Avenel	6 „	Unknown.
„ 3	Suburban	Near Hawthorn	2¼ „	Supposed Hawthorn key open.
„ 4	No 3 Western ...	Between Geelong and Werribee	4 „	Unknown.
„ 12	Western	Between Portland and Mount Gambier ...	12 „	Stormy weather.
„ 13	Ditto	Ditto, ditto	12 „	„ „
„ 13	No. 2 North-Eastern...	Between Benalla and Wangaratta	12 „	„ „
„ 21	Swan Hill & Deniliquin	Heavy gales	12 „	Heavy gales.
„ 21	Western	Ditto	12 „	„ „
„ 21	Gippsland	Ditto	12 „	„ „
„ 25	Heathcote Branch ...	Beyond Kilmore	9 „	Unknown.
„ 25	Sandhurst No. 2 ...	Between Castlemaine and Sandhurst ...	12 „	„

RETURN showing the Interruptions to Telegraphic Communication—*continued.*

Date.	Designation of Line.	Points of Interruption.	Period of Interruption.	Supposed or ascertained Causes.
1874.				
Nov. 28	Gippsland	Between Port Albert and Stockyard Creek ...	8 hours	Heavy storms.
Dec. 7	Chewton and Fryerstown	Between Chewton and Fryerstown	8 „	„ „
„ 7	Western No. 1 and 2...	Between Warrnambool and Belfast... ...	4 „	Unknown.
„ 8	Sandhurst Railway ...	Beyond Sunbury	2 „	Key open.
„ 9	Suburban	To Brighton	6 „	Unknown.
„ 9	Romsey Branch ...	Near Lancefield	4½ „	Several poles blown down.
„ 10	Ditto	Ditto	12 „	„ „
„ 15	Suburban	At Coburg	3½ „	Wire broken.
„ 16	Southern Coast ...	Near Melbourne	7½ „	Wire down.
„ 16	Nos. 1 and 2 ...	Near Geelong	8 „	Wires down.
„ 16	Otway	Between Geelong and Cape Otway	8 „	„ „
„ 16	Western	Between Geelong and Winchelsea	12 „	Lines blown down.
„ 17	Ditto	Between Warrnambool and Belfast... ...	12 „	„ „
„ 18	Ditto	Between Geelong and Werribee	12 „	Poles burned down.
„ 19	Northern Railway ...	Near Melbourne and between Kyneton and Castlemaine, and Castlemaine and Maldon	4 „	Heavy storms.
„ 19	Swan Hill	... ...	12 „	„ „
„ 19	North-Eastern ...	... ...	12 „	„ „
„ 19	Walhalla Branch ...	... ...	12 „	„ „
„ 21	North-Eastern and	Swan Hill and No. 4 and 5, Gippsland line, Sandhurst	12 „	Deranged by yesterday's storm.
„ 21	Suburban	Brighton	4½ „	Defect found Brighton office.
„ 23	Ballan	Near Bacchus Marsh	12 „	Line down.
„ 23	Gippsland	Between Port Albert and Stockyard Creek ...	12 „	By late storms.
„ 23	No. 4	Between Werribee and Geelong	12 „	„ „
„ 24	Ballan[1] and Gippsland[2]	... ...	[1] 2 „ [2] All day	Unknown.
„ 26	Romsey and Lancefield	Between Romsey and Lancefield	8 hours	Stormy weather.
„ 28	No. 1 and 2 North-Eastern	Between Kilmore and Seymour	12 „	Strong ground circuit through iron pole.
„ 29	No. 2 North-Eastern...	Ditto, ditto	12 „	„ „
„ 31	Terang	Between Melbourne and Werribee	8 „	Unknown.

REMARKS.

1874.

January 1 ... Ballarat Railway and St. Arnaud lines crossed between Geelong and Ballarat.
„ 2 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Beechworth and Chiltern; also Suburban lines crossed near Richmond
„ 2 ... Western coast lines crossed between Camperdown and Terang.
„ 3 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Beechworth and Wodonga.
„ 7 ... Western coast lines crossed between Colac and Camperdown; also between Portland and Mount Gambier.
„ 7 ... Northern and Swan Hill lines crossed between Kyneton and Malmesbury.
„ 8 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„ 10 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„ 12 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth, Western line No. 3 on ground near Mortlake.
„ 13 ... Western No. 3 on ground near Mortlake.
„ 16 ... Ballarat Railway and St. Arnaud lines crossed between Geelong and Ballarat.
„ 17 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Seymour, Longwood, and Wangaratta; also between Beechworth and Wodonga.
„ 17 ... Swan Hill crossed with Sandhurst line, St. Arnaud line on ground between Geelong and Ballarat.
„ 20 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„ 21 ... Western coast lines crossed between Terang and Warrnambool, Suburban circuit crossed at South Yarra.
„ 22 ... Western coast lines crossed between Terang and Warrnambool.
„ 24 ... Western coast lines crossed between Colac and Camperdown.
„ 27 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta, and Suburban wires crossed at Emerald Hill.
Feb. 2 ... St. Arnaud line crossed; also Sandridge and Mornington line crossed.
„ 4 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Longwood and Benalla.
„ 6 ... St. Arnaud line crossed with Ballarat Railway wire between Geelong and Ballarat.
„ 7 ... St. Arnaud line crossed with Ballarat Railway and Ballarat line.
„ 11 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Kilmore and Melbourne.
„ 13 ... Cape Otway line crossed with Ballarat line between Melbourne and Geelong.
„ 14 ... Ballarat line crossed with St. Arnaud line in Ballarat district.
„ 17 ... Western No. 3 crossed with Ararat line between Ballarat and Beaufort.
„ 17 ... Western coast lines crossed between Portland and Mount Gambier.
„ 17 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„ 19 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth; also between Wahgunyah and Beechworth.
„ 20 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Seymour and Benalla; also Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„ 21 ... Western coast lines crossed between Camperdown, Belfast, and Warrnambool.
„ 23 ... Northern line crossed with Daylesford line.
„ 23 ... Western coast lines crossed between Camperdown and Colac.
„ 23 ... North-Eastern branch to Wood's Point crossed near Benalla.
„ 23 ... Southern coast line crossed with Sorrento line.
„ 24 ... Southern coast, Cape Otway, St. Arnaud, Ballarat Railway lines crossed between Melbourne and Geelong.
„ 24 ... North-Eastern lines crossed between Seymour and Longwood; also Beechworth and Albury.
„ 24 ... Northern lines on ground between Melbourne and Kyneton.
„ 25 ... Western coast lines crossed between Camperdown and Terang.
„ 26 ... Western coast lines crossed between Camperdown and Terang.
„ 27 ... Western coast lines crossed between Camperdown and Terang.
„ 27 ... Northern and North-Eastern lines crossed near North Melbourne.
„ 28 ... All Western, Cape Otway, Ballarat, St. Arnaud, Queenscliff lines crossed near Werribee.
„ 28 ... Western coast lines crossed between Colac and Camperdown.
„ 28 ... Suburban line crossed between Sandridge and Mornington.
„ 28 ... Northern lines crossed between Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
March 3 ... Northern lines crossed between Melbourne and Kyneton.
„ 3 ... Western lines crossed between Camperdown and Warrnambool.

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March	4	...	Western lines crossed between Portland and Mount Gambier.
„	9	...	Western lines crossed between Colac and Camperdown.
„	12	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla, Wangaratta, and Beechworth.
„	14	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Beechworth and Wodonga; also between Wangaratta and Benalla.
„	15	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Melbourne and Kilmore; also between Melbourne and Newmarket.
„	17	...	Western lines crossed between Geelong and Ballarat.
„	19	...	Wires crossed between Melbourne and Collingwood.
„	27	...	Western lines crossed between Camperdown and Warrnambool.
„	27	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„	27	...	Western lines working badly, atmospheric disturbance.
„	30	...	Western lines crossed between Geelong and Ballarat.
„	31	...	All lines affected by atmospheric disturbances.
April	1	...	All lines affected by atmospheric disturbances.
„	1	...	Northern lines crossed, between Gisborne and Kyneton.
„	2	...	Western lines crossed between Colac and Camperdown.
„	2	...	All lines affected by atmospheric disturbances.
„	6	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Melbourne and Wallan-wallan.
„	6	...	Western lines working badly, atmospheric disturbances.
„	8	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Beechworth and Wangaratta.
„	11	...	Western lines crossed between Melbourne and Geelong.
„	15	...	Western lines crossed between Melbourne and Geelong.
„	21	...	Western lines crossed between Portland and Belfast.
„	22	...	Western lines crossed between Portland and Belfast.
„	27	...	Western lines crossed between Geelong and Ballarat.
„	29	...	Western lines crossed between Camperdown and Warrnambool.
May	1	...	Western lines crossed between Camperdown and Warrnambool.
„	2	...	Western lines crossed between Camperdown and Warrnambool.
„	8	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Kilmore and Seymour.
„	12	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Kilmore and Seymour.
„	13	...	North-Eastern Railway lines crossed near Newmarket railway station.
„	20	...	St. Arnaud line crossed between Creswick and Clunes.
„	21	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Eldorado and Beechworth.
„	23	...	Western lines crossed between Terang and Warrnambool.
„	27	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Longwood and Benalla.
„	28	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Longwood and Benalla.
„	29	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Longwood and Benalla.
June	1	...	Northern and Sandhurst lines crossed near Castlemaine.
„	1	...	Western crossed with Ballarat line.
„	2	...	North-Eastern Railway lines crossed north of Broadford.
„	3	...	North-Eastern Railway lines crossed north of Broadford.
„	6	...	Swan Hill line crossed between Maldon and Dunolly.
„	6	...	Suburban circuit, Coburg interrupted.
„	8	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„	8	...	Swan Hill and Sandhurst lines crossed between Kyneton and Castlemaine.
„	10	...	Western and Ballarat lines crossed between Geelong and Ballarat.
„	11	...	Suburban circuit to Collingwood and Richmond crossed.
„	12	...	Suburban circuit to Collingwood and Richmond crossed.
„	20	...	Western and Ballarat lines crossed between Ballarat and Beaufort.
„	26	...	Western lines crossed occasionally.
„	29	...	North-Eastern and Wahgunyah branch crossed.
„	30	...	North-Eastern and Wahgunyah branch crossed; also between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
July	1	...	North-Eastern and Wahgunyah branch crossed; also between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„	2	...	North-Eastern and Wahgunyah branch crossed; also between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„	2	...	North-Eastern and Wahgunyah branch crossed; also between Beechworth and Wodonga.
„	3	...	North-Eastern and Wahgunyah branch crossed.
„	6	...	Western lines crossed between Camperdown and Warrnambool.
„	6	...	Wood's Point and Gaffney's Creek wires crossed.
„	6	...	Sandhurst and Echuca wires crossed near North Melbourne.
„	9	...	Western lines down between Terang and Warrnambool; also near Caramut.
„	9	...	Elinders and Sorrento wires crossed near Snapper Point.
„	9	...	North-Eastern lines crossed in several places between Longwood and Beechworth.
„	10	...	Western lines crossed between Warrnambool and Belfast; also between Portland and Mount Gambier.
„	10	...	Western lines crossed between Camperdown and Warrnambool.
„	16	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„	16	...	North-Eastern lines crossed; also Wahgunyah branch.
„	17	...	North-Eastern lines down between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„	21	...	North-Eastern Railway and Wahgunyah wires crossed.
„	22	...	North-Eastern Railway and Wahgunyah wires crossed.
„	24	...	North-Eastern Railway line in contact with earth between Wallan and Broadford.
„	25	...	North-Eastern Railway line crossed.
„	27	...	North-Eastern Railway line and Wahgunyah crossed.
„	28	...	Western line crossed between Belfast and Portland
August	3	...	Western line crossed between Camperdown and Warrnambool.
„	4	...	Western line crossed between Camperdown and Warrnambool.
„	5	...	Newstead and Maryborough Railway wires crossed.
„	6	...	Newstead and Maryborough Railway wires crossed.
„	10	...	Sandhurst and Echuca lines crossed between Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
„	11	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Wallan and Melbourne; also between Beechworth and Wodonga.
„	11	...	North-Eastern Railway and Wahgunyah branch crossed.
„	13	...	North-Eastern lines crossed and broken between Wodonga and Albury.
„	17	...	Western lines crossed between Portland and Mount Gambier.
„	18	...	Western lines crossed between Portland and Mount Gambier.
„	19	...	Western lines crossed between Portland and Mount Gambier.
„	24	...	North-Eastern lines crossed all day.
„	24	...	Flinders and Sorrento lines crossed.
„	25	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Melbourne and Kilmore.
„	26	...	North-Eastern lines on ground between Seymour and Avenel, and crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta.
„	29	...	Swan Hill and Sandhurst lines crossed between Melbourne and Kyneton.
„	31	...	Swan Hill and Sandhurst lines crossed between Melbourne and Kyneton.
„	31	...	Western coast lines crossed between Colac and Camperdown.
„	31	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
Sept.	1	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Kilmore and Seymour.
„	1	...	Swan Hill and Sandhurst lines crossed between Melbourne and Kyneton.
„	2	...	North-Eastern lines crossed between Kilmore and Melbourne.

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Sept.	6	... Western and Northern lines crossed between Melbourne and Geelong.
„	6	... Western and Northern lines crossed between Ballarat and Geelong.
„	7	... Cape Otway and Western crossed between Geelong and Winchelsea.
„	8	... Western lines crossed between Melbourne and Werribee.
„	9	... Cape Otway line crossed between Geelong and Winchelsea.
„	9	... Swan Hill and Sandhurst lines crossed.
„	19	... North-Eastern lines crossed.
„	19	... Western lines crossed between Melbourne and Werribee.
„	21	... Western lines unworkable; stormy weather.
„	24	... Echuca and Sandhurst lines crossed between Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
„	25	... Newstead and Maryborough Railway wires crossed.
„	28	... Western and Ararat lines crossed between Ballarat and Beaufort.
„	28	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
October	2	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„	2	... Mornington and Flinders wires crossed between Melbourne and Mornington.
„	5	... All Northern lines crossed; pole broken near Gisborne station.
„	13	... Swan Hill and Sandhurst lines crossed between Castlemaine and Melbourne.
„	14	... Suburban circuit to Richmond crossed.
„	16	... Suburban circuit to Richmond crossed at Bridge road.
„	16	... Mornington and Flinders lines crossed between Brighton and Schnapper Point.
„	20	... North-Eastern lines crossed near Wodonga.
„	21	... North-Eastern lines crossed near Wodonga.
„	21	... Western lines crossed between Colac and Camperdown.
„	22	... Suburban circuit to Collingwood deranged.
„	24	... Western lines crossed between Colac and Camperdown.
„	26	... Western and Ararat lines crossed between Beaufort and Ballarat.
„	26	... Northern Railway, Sandhurst, and Swan Hill lines crossed between Melbourne and Kyneton.
„	27	... Sandhurst and Swan Hill lines still crossed.
„	27	... Western lines crossed near North Melbourne; men repairing.
„	29	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
„	29	... Western line interrupted, Footscray office.
„	29	... Sandhurst and Echuca Railway lines crossed between Melbourne and Kyneton.
„	30	... Northern lines crossed between Melbourne and Castlemaine.
„	30	... North-Eastern and Western lines crossed, North Melbourne.
„	31	... Birregurra and Western lines crossed near Winchelsea.
„	31	... Western lines crossed near Camperdown.
Nov.	2	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta.
„	3	... Flinders and Gippsland line crossed near Brighton Junction.
„	4	... Northern lines crossed between Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
„	4	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta.
„	7	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta.
„	9	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta.
„	9	... Northern lines crossed near Melbourne.
„	10	... Suburban circuit to Collingwood crossed.
„	10	... North-Eastern lines between Kilmore and Benalla.
„	11	... North-Eastern lines between Beechworth and Albury.
„	12	... North-Eastern lines between Benalla and Melbourne.
„	12	... Western line interrupted between Belfast and Warrnambool.
„	13	... Western line interrupted between Portland and Mount Gambier, and between Melbourne and Geelong, and between Geelong and Birregurra.
„	16	... Western line crossed between Geelong and Colac, and between Geelong and Terang.
„	16	... Queenscliff line crossed by Ballarat.
„	20	... North-Eastern line crossed between Longwood and Wangaratta.
„	21	... North-Eastern line crossed between Longwood and Wangaratta.
„	21	... Western lines crossed between Belfast and Warrnambool.
„	23	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Wangaratta and Beechworth, and Beechworth and Wodonga.
„	23	... Western lines crossed near Melbourne.
„	26	... North-Eastern lines crossed at Railway station, Longwood; also at Kilmore.
„	26	... Northern lines crossed between Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
„	27	... Northern lines crossed between Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
„	27	... Suburban circuit to Coburg temporarily interrupted.
Dec.	1	... Western lines crossed between Melbourne and Werribee.
„	2	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Seymour and Benalla.
„	3	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Seymour and Benalla.
„	4	... Northern lines crossed between Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
„	5	... Ballarat and Creswick line crossed; also between Clunes and Talbot.
„	7	... Sale line crossed with Flinders wire near Melbourne.
„	9	... Western lines crossed between Melbourne and Geelong, and Geelong and Camperdown.
„	9	... North-Eastern and Wahgunyah branch crossed.
„	9	... Northern lines crossed between Castlemaine and Sandhurst.
„	10	... Western lines crossed between Geelong and Werribee.
„	10	... North-Eastern Railway crossed between Avenel and Broadford.
„	11	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Beechworth and Albury, Longwood and Benalla.
„	11	... Northern line crossed near Echuca.
„	12	... Northern line crossed near Echuca.
„	14	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta, and Avenel and Seymour.
„	14	... Northern lines crossed between Sandhurst and Echuca.
„	15	... Northern lines crossed between Sandhurst and Echuca.
„	16	... Cape Otway and Birregurra lines down on ground.
„	16	... Flinders line on ground near Junction.
„	16	... Ballarat and Maryborough lines down between Ballarat and Creswick, and Dunolly and Maryborough.
„	21	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Kilmore and Seymour.
„	21	... Ballarat line crossed with St. Arnaud line between Geelong and Werribee.
„	21	... Western and Northern lines crossed near North Melbourne.
„	21	... Suburban circuit to St. Kilda and Hawthorn defective.
„	22	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta; also broken near Wodonga.
„	22	... Western lines crossed and down between Werribee, Geelong, and Camperdown.
„	22	... Western and Ararat lines crossed between Ararat and Beaufort.
„	22	... Northern lines crossed between Melbourne and Footscray Junction.
„	28	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wodonga.
„	28	... Western lines crossed between Melbourne and Geelong.
„	29	... Western lines crossed between Melbourne and Geelong.
„	29	... North-Eastern lines crossed between Benalla and Wangaratta, Beechworth and Albury.
„	31	... Western lines crossed between Melbourne and Werribee.

APPENDIX C.

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.
		Melbourne	Parliament House Branch	Parliament Houses	1 from Melbourne
		Williamstown		Treasury Buildings	
		Geelong	Birregurra Branch	Winchelsea	37 from Geelong
		Queenscliff		Birregurra	
SOUTHERN COAST LINE	137		Point Lonsdale	Point Lonsdale	4 from Queenscliff
		Sandridge			
		Mornington			
		Sorrento			
		Cape Schanck			
		Flinders			
		Mount Gambier			
		Portland			
WESTERN COAST LINE	303	Belfast	Koroit Branch	Koroit	9 from Belfast
		Warrnambool			
		Terang			
		Camperdown			
		Colac			
NORTH-WESTERN LINE	70	Ballan			
		Bacchus Marsh			
			Buninyong Branch	Sebastopol	7 from Ballarat
				Buninyong	
			Linton Branch	Smythesdale	23 from Ballarat
				Linton	
		Ballarat		Scarsdale	3 from Smythesdale
			Rokewood Branch	Rokewood	20 from Smythesdale
			Stawell Branch	Ararat	57 from Ballarat
CROSS COUNTRY—WESTERN LINE	333		Learmonth	Stawell	
				Learmonth	12 from Ballarat
		Beaufort			
		Streatham			
		Hexham			
		Mortlake			
		Caramut			
		Penshurst			
		Hamilton	Portland Branch		53 from Hamilton
		Coleraine			
		Casterton			
CAPE OTWAY LINE	140	Otway			
		Footscray			
		Leigh Road			
		Creswick			
		Daylesford			
		Carisbrook			
		Talbot			
CROSS COUNTRY LINE	312	Maryborough	Majorca Branch	Majorca	11 from Maryborough
		Clunes			
		Avoca			
		Stuartmill			
		St. Arnaud			
		Tarnagulla			
		Inglewood			
		Serpentine			
		Kerang			
		Swan Hill			
SWAN HILL LINE	231	Gisborne	Romsey Branch	Lancefield	24 from Gisborne
		Kyneton		Romsey	
		Malmesbury	Chewton Branch	Chewton	3 from Castlemaine
		Taradale	Fryerstown Branch	Fryerstown	6 from Castlemaine
		Castlemaine	Newstead Branch	Newstead	10 from Castlemaine
		Maldon			
		Dunolly			
NORTHERN LINE	156	Sandhurst	Eaglehawk Branch	Eaglehawk	5 from Sandhurst
		Echuca			
		Kilmore	Heathcote Branch	Heathcote	31 from Kilmore
					25 from Sandhurst
		Seymour	Rushworth Branch	Rushworth	
				Murchison	60 from Seymour
				Nagambie	
		Longwood	Alexandra Branch	Alexandra	30 from Jamieson
				Mansfield	
		Benalla	Wood's Point Branch	Jamieson	85 from Benalla
NORTH-EASTERN LINE	210			Wood's Point	
			Gaffney's Creek Branch	Gaffney's Creek	12 from Wood's Point
		Wangaratta			
		Eldorado		Yackandandah	
			Wahgunyah Branch	Chiltern	
				Wahgunyah	50 from Beechworth
		Beechworth		Rutherglen	
			Bright Branch	Bright	36 from Beechworth
		Wodonga			
		Albury			
		Dandenong			
		Berwick			
		Shady Creek			
GIPPSLAND LINE	271	Rosedale	Walhalla Branch	Walhalla	32 from Rosedale
		Sale	Bairnsdale Branch	Bairnsdale	43 from Sale
				Stratford	
		Port Albert			
		Stockyard Creek			
		Wilson's Promontory			

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

Main Lines.	Extent in Miles from the Melbourne Office.	Name of Station.	Branch Line.	Name of Station.	Extent in Miles.
		RAILWAY CIRCUIT.	SUBURBAN CIRCUIT ..	Collingwood	25
		Spencer street		Richmond	
		Newmarket		Hawthorn	
		Sunbury		South Yarra	
		Lancefield Road		Prahran	
		Woodend		Emerald Hill	
		Elphinstone		St. Kilda	
NORTHERN LINE ..	196	Castlemaine		Brighton	
		Newstead			
		Maryborough			
		Creswick			
		Sandhurst			
		Runnymede			
		Echuca		Ballarat Line (1)	97
		Williamstown Pier		Williamstown Line (1) ..	9½
		Williamstown Junction		Melbourne to Albury (1)	200
		Werribee		Melbourne to Mount Gambier (1)	303
WESTERN LINE	127½	Geelong	SPECIAL WIRES ..	Melbourne to Mornington (1)	35
		Buninyong		Ballarat to Maryborough	44
		Ballarat West		Castlemaine to Sandhurst	22
		Beaufort		Melbourne to Benalla ..	122
				Melbourne to Terang ..	134
		Wallan-wallan			
		Broadford			
		Seymour			
		Avenel			
NORTH-EASTERN LINE ..	200	Longwood			
		Violet Town ..	Coburg Branch	Brunswick	5 from Melbourne
		Benalla		Coburg	
		Wangaratta			
		Chiltern			
		Wodonga			

Showing a total of 149 stations or offices; 3,387½ miles of line, provided with 4,399 miles of wire.

APPENDIX D.

STATISTICS of Business from 1854 to 1874, 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	5,247 0 4	63,877	537,398
1872 ...	42,617 17 3	7,029 11 9	85,645	639,960
1873 ...	45,322 17 5	9,056 7 7	124,319	718,167
1874 ...	42,825 9 7	9,055 1 4	121,285	701,080
	558,930 3 11	206,750 17 5	1,115,838	5,871,481

APPENDIX E.

List of Post Offices in Victoria, with Names of Postmasters and the Amount of their Salaries, for 1874.

Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance. £	s.	d.
Aberfeldy	J. Hefferin	40	0	0
Adelaide Lead	C. Noller	20	0	0
Alberton	N. Christensen	20	0	0
Alexandra	H. C. Campbell	120	0	0
Alfredton	J. H. Palmer	15	0	0
Allansford	J. Anderson	40	0	0
Alma	B. Wilds	35	0	0
Alma, Lower	W. Meincke	20	0	0
Alphington	J. S. Adams	25	0	0
Amherst	J. P. Smith	50	0	0
Amphitheatre	Anne Hardie	35	0	0
Anakie	G. Belcher	25	0	0
Apsley	M. A. Botterell	65	0	0
Ararat	K. L. Murray	250	0	0
Arcadia	Mary Spencer	10	0	0
Armstrongs	G. S. Nason	30	0	0
Ascot	T. O. Crichton	25	0	0
Avenel	W. Campion	55	0	0
Avoca	P. R. Arkins	220	0	0
Avoca Forest	D. Stewart	30	0	0
Avon Plains	H. Stratford	35	0	0
Axedale	W. T. Cahill	25	0	0
Bacchus Marsh	T. Taubman	60	0	0
Baillieston	W. Oppermann	15	0	0
Bairnsdale	B. C. Jones	180	0	0
Bald Hills	D. Slattery	15	0	0
Bald Hills (Gippsland)	C. Rümpff	15	0	0
Ballan	Geo. Flack	65	0	0
Ballangeich	W. Tomlinson	20	0	0
Ballarat	William Thacker	485	0	0
Ballarat East	G. Tress	30	0	0
Ballyshanassy	W. F. Clark	20	0	0
Balmattum	D. McKernan	10	0	0
Balmoral	B. Lyon	40	0	0
Balnarring	P. Vansuylen	15	0	0
Balwyn	Geo. Bennett	10	0	0
Barfold	J. Latimer	25	0	0
Baringhup	R. J. Lawrence	35	0	0
Barker's Creek	E. Homan	20	0	0
Barkly	J. Cheesman	25	0	0
Barkstead	C. W. Caddy	20	0	0
Barnawartha	W. McKeone	45	0	0
Barry's Reef	W. Shaw	50	0	0
Bass	D. B. Kennedy	25	0	0
Batesford	H. A. Smith	30	0	0
Baynton	E. Fay	20	0	0
Bealiba	E. Lyndon	35	0	0
Beaufort	Thomas Lewis	180	0	0
Beeac	A. Gilbert	55	0	0
Beechworth	R. B. Hodgson	350	0	0
Belfast	J. A. Lynar	350	0	0
Bellarine	W. Andrews	25	0	0
Belmont	J. Williams	25	0	0
Benalla	W. H. Saxe	180	0	0
Bendoc	F. J. Jones	20	0	0
Berlin	R. N. Williams	50	0	0
Berwick	Julia Mulcahy	72	0	0
Bet-bet	Mary Grant	25	0	0
Beveridge	N. Fletcher	20	0	0
Big Hill	P. C. Perry	15	0	0
Birregurra	A. Dawkins	72	0	0
Black Hill	Ann Turner	20	0	0
Black Lead	A. W. Chapman	15	0	0
Blakeville	J. T. Chapman	20	0	0
Bobinawarrah	J. Wallace	10	0	0
Bonang	R. Marriott	10	0	0
Boneo	J. Chamen	10	0	0
Boort	J. Martin	10	0	0
Bo-Peep Hill	D. Clarke	10	0	0
Bowman's Forest	W. P. Moore	35	0	0
Box Hill	S. Padgham	30	0	0
Branxholme	T. Kemp	50	0	0
Braybrook	J. Dickson	20	0	0
Break-o'-Day	D. E. Thomas	30	0	0
Breakwater	C. Smith	20	0	0
Briagolong	M. Fitzgerald	15	0	0
Bridgewater-on-Loddon	J. Stebbins	35	0	0
Bright	W. H. Hollick	180	0	0
Brighton	F. Thomas	80	0	0
Brighton South	J. G. Reynolds	*60	0	0
Brighton East	W. Norquay	*95	0	0
Brimboal	W. T. Pugh	20	0	0
Broadford	J. McLeish	50	0	0
Broadmeadows	G. Couser	30	0	0
Brown Hills	J. Bradbury	35	0	0
Brown's Diggings	J. Booth	15	0	0
Brown's Plains	H. G. Brown	15	0	0
Brunswick	J. George	*220	0	0
Bruthen	R. McDougall	35	0	0
Buangor	R. Hornsby	50	0	0
Buckland	M. White	30	0	0
Bulgoback	J. Hardy	10	0	0
Bulla	W. Bethell	25	0	0
Bullarook	J. T. Ham	20	0	0
Bullarto	J. Slee	10	0	0
Bullengarook	W. Gorman	10	0	0
Bulltown	A. F. Cross	10	0	0
Buln-buln	H. Fraser	35	0	0
Bulumwaal	G. Allen	20	0	0
Bundoora	W. Emms	15	0	0
Bung Bong	J. Nicholls	15	0	0
Bungaree	T. Chalmers	25	0	0
Buninyong	G. A. Firman	150	0	0
Buninyong Railway Station	W. J. Hughes	45	0	0
Burke's Flat	J. Goulett	20	0	0
Burnt Creek	J. G. Russell	20	0	0
Burrumbeet	J. Miller	55	0	0
Buxton	F. Nicholls	10	0	0
Byaduk	L. Anderson	25	0	0
Cabbagetree	J. Benson	15	0	0
California Gully	T. Jones	45	0	0
Callawadda	J. M. Joyce	15	0	0
Camberwell	T. Keen	*65	0	0
Cambrian Hill	J. Renkin	35	0	0
Campaspe	J. O'Brian	20	0	0
Campbellfield	G. Stranks	25	0	0
Campbell's Creek	C. Tolstrup	*100	0	0
Camperdown	John Duigan	180	0	0
Canterbury	M. Wall	15	0	0
Cape Bridgewater	C. Hedditch	10	0	0
Cape Clear	A. L. Gibson	30	0	0
Caramut	E. McDonald	120	0	0
Carapooee	S. J. Edelsten	15	0	0
Cardigan	J. W. Surman	30	0	0
Cargarie	J. Hewitt	20	0	0
Carisbrook	D. J. O'Brien	150	0	0
Carlsruhe	Isaac Phillips	20	0	0
Carlsruhe Railway Station	A. Cobham	25	0	0
Carlton	C. G. Lawson	80	0	0
Carngham	J. Crowther	25	0	0
Carpendeit	P. Morrison	10	0	0
Casterton	F. L. Merchant	180	0	0
Castlemaine	E. H. Stodart	350	0	0
Castle Reef	S. O'Toole	15	0	0
Cathcart	G. Ahrendts	15	0	0
Caulfield	R. Boxill	*85	10	0
Cavendish	A. McCallum	30	0	0
Ceres	R. McDougall	30	0	0
Charlton	G. Dobie	15	0	0
Chatsworth	A. H. Amoore	20	0	0
Cheltenham	M. Trail	40	0	0
Chepstowe	W. B. Wilson	20	0	0

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Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance. £	s.	d.
Chetwynd	M. Cussen	20	0	0
Chewton	J. Lamb	*91	16	0
Chiltern	H. Tymms	180	0	0
Chinaman's Flat	A. Watson	45	0	0
Christmas Hill	Thos. Young	10	0	0
Clare Inn	Christina Wells	40	0	0
Clarendon	A. McDonald	20	0	0
Clarke's Hill	J. Daly	15	0	0
Clifford	S. H. Sleator	20	0	0
Clunes	J. L. Collier	350	0	0
Clyde	A. Manks	15	0	0
Clydebank	C. A. Beilby	10	0	0
Clydesdale	E. Sutcliffe	10	0	0
Cobbler's Gully	R. Miles	25	0	0
Cobden	C. Molyneux	25	0	0
Cobram	H. Campbell	15	0	0
Coburg	S. A. Reid	*151	0	0
Cockatoo (Narrigal)	G. L. Kusel	15	0	0
Coghill's Creek	W. Matthews	25	0	0
Coimadai Creek	D. Bower	15	0	0
Colac	Fredk. Dore	200	0	0
Colbinabbin	C. H. Wendall	15	0	0
Coleraine	Henry Salkeld	180	0	0
Collingwood	S. Montefiore	350	0	0
Condah	T. Maxwell	35	0	0
Connewarre	J. Walther	20	0	0
Conover	R. Quick	15	0	0
Coongulmerang	T. Holloway	20	0	0
Cooper's Creek	J. Day	15	0	0
Cope-cope	E. Bennetto	20	0	0
Corinella	J. Mitchell	10	0	0
Corop	M. Jacobson	45	0	0
Corryong	R. Stratten	20	0	0
Costerfield	F. Field	30	0	0
Cove	J. Laidlaw	20	0	0
Cowes	J. West	50	0	0
Cowie's Creek	M. Jones	10	0	0
Cowwarr	T. Gebhardt	15	0	0
Craigieburn	J. Baker	25	0	0
Cranbourne	A. Thomson	45	0	0
Cressy	T. A. Hall	45	0	0
Creswick	Joshua Thwaites	350	0	0
Crossley	T. Malone	15	0	0
Crossover Diggings	J. Veysey	15	0	0
Crowlands	S. J. Wilkinson	25	0	0
Croxton East	H. Jahn	15	0	0
Cundare	B. Harlock	10	0	0
Cunninghame	W. Roadknight	15	0	0
Curlewis	B. O'Loughlin	15	0	0
Dandenong	J. Dobson	100	0	0
Dargalong	T. Tidbould	15	0	0
Dargo Flat	J. B. Kelly	25	0	0
Darlingford	J. Dunn	35	0	0
Darlington	S. D. Hodgson	40	0	0
Darraweit Guim	M. A. Francis	25	0	0
Dartmoor	A. McDonald	20	0	0
Daylesford	John Nicol	250	0	0
Dean	C. Naples	30	0	0
Dean's Marsh	J. Schram	20	0	0
Deep Lead	M. J. Sweetman	25	0	0
Delatite	W. Lovick	10	0	0
Dennington	A. O'Sullivan	25	0	0
Deptford	H. McKinnon	10	0	0
Dereel	C. Brown	10	0	0
Denicull Creek	S. Couper	10	0	0
Derrimut	R. Hopkins	10	0	0
Derrinallum	D. Hoggart	20	0	0
Devenish	W. Lievesley	20	0	0
Devil's Creek	G. Hansen	20	0	0
Diamond Creek	J. F. L. Edmonds	25	0	0
Diamond Hill	Jane Nixon	25	0	0
Digby	M. Townsend	30	0	0
Diggersrest	R. Donnelly	30	0	0
Dimboola	W. H. Lloyd	80	0	0
Dobie's Bridge	R. Bates	20	0	0
Docker's Plains	H. S. Parfitt	20	0	0
Dolly's Creek	B. Nesbit	15	0	0
Doma Mungi	N. Chenhall	10	0	0
Donald	J. A. Meyer	60	0	0
Doncaster	J. Culliford	20	0	0
Donnelly's Creek	A. Marshal	20	0	0
Doogalook	M. Kemp	10	0	0
Dookie South	H. Playford	25	0	0
Doon	M. Jones	25	0	0
Dromana	A. Haldan	65	0	0
Drummond	C. M. Roen	20	0	0
Drik-drik	C. S. Dunbar	10	0	0
Drung-drung	J. Sparkes	20	0	0
Dry Creek	J. Sherring	15	0	0
Dry Diggings	T. Elliott	15	0	0
Drysdale	C. Brazier	45	0	0
Duck Holes	G. Miscamble	15	0	0
Dunach	C. H. Corfield	25	0	0
Dunkeld	S. Fisher	50	0	0
Dunnstown	D. D'Arcy	15	0	0
Dunolly	H. E. O'Connell	220	0	0
Durdidwarrah	R. A. Honor	30	0	0
Durham Lead	R. Lamb	25	0	0
Durham Ox	R. Kemp	35	0	0
Eaglehawk	Jane Constable	100	0	0
East Shelbourne	T. S. Sampson	25	0	0
East Trentham	P. A. Doyle	15	0	0
Echuca	D. W. Forbes	350	0	0
Eddington	A. Gray	50	0	0
Edenhope	J. Welsh	35	0	0
Edwards' Reef	J. Dolan	15	0	0
Eganstown	D. Vanderbilt	30	0	0
Elaine	W. Montgomery	25	0	0
Elaine Railway Station	P. J. L. Jenkins	40	0	0
Eldorado	T. Holderness	100	0	0
Ellerslie	S. A. Coughlan	15	0	0
Elmhurst	H. Speers	25	0	0
Elphinstone	W. O'Connor	45	0	0
Elsternwick	G. Morris	*92	0	0
Eltham	A. Hanniford	30	0	0
Emerald Hill	M. Aspinall	100	0	0
Enfield	D. Kelly	15	0	0
Enoch's Point	J. Bain	20	0	0
Ensay	H. Johnston	20	0	0
Epping	F. Vockenshon	20	0	0
Epsom	R. Sharp	35	0	0
Essendon	J. West	15	0	0
Estcourt	J. Pratt	15	0	0
Eurambeen	M. Kelly	20	0	0
Euroa	J. de Boos	45	0	0
Eurobin	S. Winter	20	0	0
Evansford	R. Hastie	20	0	0
Eversley	H. H. Mansfield	30	0	0
Everton	T. Davenport	20	0	0
Faraday	J. Boyle	10	0	0
Fernbank	J. Scott	25	0	0
Fernshawe	M. Jefferson	15	0	0
Ferntree Gully	W. K. Ross	15	0	0
Flemington	A. B. Brady	*130	0	0
Flinders	A. Worall	20	0	0
Flynn's Creek	D. Barclay	15	0	0
Footscray	Margt. Larritt	72	0	0
Forbes	E. O'Dwyer	10	0	0
Forest Hill	R. Peacock	10	0	0
Framlingham	B. Lee	20	0	0
Franklinford	W. Bumstead	20	0	0
Frankston	S. M. Savage	30	0	0
Freeburgh	M. McKaye	15	0	0
Freshwater Creek	C. Vains	15	0	0
Fryerstown	S. H. Hazlett	100	0	0
Fyansford	T. Littlewood	20	0	0
Gaffney's Creek	J. Weatherhead	90	0	0
Gap	J. Murphy	15	0	0
Garvoe	J. Glowry	25	0	0
Geelong	S. C. Vivian	466	13	4
Geelong East	T. S. Stone	20	0	0
Geelong West	J. Birrell	25	0	0
Germantown	A. Benari	20	0	0
Gheringhap	W. Moore	15	0	0

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Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance. £	s.	d.
Gipsy Village ...	M. Lewis ...	10	0	0
Gisborne	R. Haines ...	55	0	0
Glendaruel	H. Judkins ...	15	0	0
Glendonald	A. Gillan ...	15	0	0
Glengower	W. McKinney ...	35	0	0
Glenluce	C. Hilder ...	10	0	0
Glenlyon	J. McFarlane ...	35	0	0
Glenmaggie	G. Green ...	15	0	0
Glenorchy	J. Wallace ...	65	0	0
Glenpark	J. J. Glen ...	15	0	0
Glenrowan	H. J. Reynolds ...	30	0	0
Glenthompson ...	J. McLennan ...	35	0	0
Glenvale	W. S. Welsh ...	15	0	0
Gnarwarre	P. Corbett ...	20	0	0
Gobur	G. E. Sincocks ...	35	0	0
Golden Gully ...	R. Haines ...	10	0	0
Golden Lake ...	J. Young ...	25	0	0
Golden Point ...	E. Hopper ...	15	0	0
Golden Square ...	J. Miller ...	60	0	0
Goldie	J. Douglas ...	15	0	0
Goldsboro' Reef ...	T. N. King ...	15	0	0
Gooley's Creek ...	T. Hope ...	15	0	0
Goornong	T. White ...	20	0	0
Gordons	S. M. Robertson...	45	0	0
Graham's Hill ...	J. M. Thomsett ...	10	0	0
Grant	J. Travis ...	50	0	0
Graytown	W. Oddy ...	*100	0	0
Great Western ...	R. J. Roberts ...	25	0	0
Greendale	M. Cassidy ...	20	0	0
Green Gully ...	F. Lauer ...	15	0	0
Green Hill	W. Mellen ...	15	0	0
Greensborough ...	J. Iredale ...	15	0	0
Green's Creek ...	C. F. Procter ...	15	0	0
Greenvale	G. R. Hancock ...	15	0	0
Gre-gre	Eliza Dowling ...	10	0	0
Grenville	E. Tucker ...	15	0	0
Greta	S. Ellis ...	20	0	0
Griffith's Point ...	T. Smith ...	25	0	0
Growler's Creek (Wandiligong)	W. Dunphy ...	35	0	0
Guildford	J. Sinclair ...	70	0	0
Haddon	H. Sims ...	40	0	0
Hamilton	George Harriott ...	350	0	0
Happy-go-Lucky ...	C. Collins ...	20	0	0
Happy Valley ...	W. Craig ...	25	0	0
Harcourt	S. Williamson ...	20	0	0
Hardie's Hill ...	W. N. L. Pearse	15	0	0
Harkaway	J. Hessel ...	15	0	0
Harrietville	W. D. Harkin ...	25	0	0
Harrow	C. R. Tulloh ...	50	0	0
Hartwell	J. J. Burns ...	15	0	0
Hastings	H. Peddle ...	30	0	0
Havelock	J. Rule ...	15	0	0
Hawkesdale	J. Davidson ...	30	0	0
Hawthorn	M. Haverty ...	80	0	0
Hazelglen	A. Smith ...	10	0	0
Healesville	L. Flanagan ...	35	0	0
Heathcote	A. L. Sutton ...	180	0	0
Heidelberg	F. P. Dunn ...	50	0	0
Hepburn	J. Hill	30	0	0
Hesket	Mary Orr ...	15	0	0
Hesse	E. M. Jenner ...	15	0	0
Hexham	S. Hannah ...	50	0	0
Heyfield	A. H. Crooks ...	20	0	0
Heywood	A. M. McKeand	65	0	0
Highton	J. Nicol ...	25	0	0
Hillsborough ...	T. Brown ...	20	0	0
Hit-or-Miss	J. James ...	20	0	0
Hochkirch	O. Müller ...	20	0	0
Homebush	J. McKinnon ...	15	0	0
Horsham	J. Langlands ...	100	0	0
Hotham	J. Macgibbon ...	80	0	0
Hotspur	J. McEachern ...	15	0	0
Huntly	B. Cartnell ...	40	0	0
Hurdle Flat	G. Armstrong ...	10	0	0
Illabarook	J. Russell ...	15	0	0
Indigo	C. Robinson ...	20	0	0
Inglewood	J. H. Kibble ...	180	0	0
Inglewood (Old) ...	M. Power ...	10	0	0
Inkermann	J. E. Matthews ...	10	0	0
Inverleigh	R. Murray ...	35	0	0
Irrewillipe	T. Whyte ...	10	0	0
Italian Gully ...	J. Dowd ...	10	0	0
Ivanhoe	E. Crisp ...	10	0	0
Jamieson	H. J. Howson ...	150	0	0
Janefield	J. Peacock ...	25	0	0
Jan Juc	W. Cook ...	15	0	0
Jarklin	W. Hardy ...	10	0	0
Jasper Road ...	W. Ward ...	*35	0	0
Jones' Creek ...	J. Burns ...	10	0	0
Jordan	R. J. Donaldson ..	25	0	0
Joyce's Creek ...	F. Frankling ...	25	0	0
Kalkallo	P. Crichton ...	25	0	0
Kalymna	J. Bramley ...	15	0	0
Kangaroo Flat ...	J. Hopkins ...	60	0	0
Kangaroo Ground ...	W. McLaughlin ...	35	0	0
Karabeal	W. W. Berry ...	15	0	0
Keilor	R. G. Ely ...	30	0	0
Keilor Road Station ...	W. R. Mullens ...	30	0	0
Kensington	M. McWilliams ...	25	0	0
Kerang	J. Comyn ...	148	4	0
Kergunyah	J. P. B. Ffrost ...	10	0	0
Kew	F. Barnard ...	*210	0	0
Kewell	M. Coffey ...	10	0	0
Kialla	J. Furphy ...	10	0	0
Kiewa	J. Lawson ...	65	0	0
Killarney	J. J. Madden ...	45	0	0
Kilmore	G. E. Groves ..	200	0	0
Kilmore East ...	E. Higgins ...	20	0	0
Kimberley	E. Saunders ...	15	0	0
Kingower	F. W. Wallis ...	60	0	0
Kingston	T. Rossell ...	45	0	0
Kiora	T. Biggin ...	15	0	0
Kirkstall	J. Reidy ...	20	0	0
Koetong	W. Lightbound ...	25	0	0
Koroit	J. J. Doherty ...	100	0	0
Kyneton	H. B. Bristow ...	350	0	0
Laanecoorie	G. Gardiner ...	25	0	0
Lake Bolac	W. E. Veale ...	50	0	0
Lake Town	A. F. Wane ...	25	0	0
Lal-lal	C. H. Orr ...	40	0	0
Lamplough	P. M. Fogarty ...	20	0	0
Lancefield	J. N. Beaseley ...	55	0	0
Lancefield Road Station	W. W. Moule ...	35	0	0
Landsborough ...	J. Johnston ...	75	0	0
Langley	J. Twyford ...	60	0	0
Lara	M. Walker ...	35	0	0
Larpent	Jane J. McKay ...	30	0	0
La Trobe Bridge ...	S. Thomas ...	10	0	0
Lauriston	J. Crymble ...	35	0	0
Lawloit	J. McNevin ...	20	0	0
Learmonth	W. McKay ...	55	0	0
Ledcourt	T. W. Dadswell ...	20	0	0
Leigh Creek ...	J. Mungovan ...	15	0	0
Leigh Road	E. Pohlman ...	60	0	0
Leonard's Hill ...	J. Wilkie ...	20	0	0
Lethbridge	A. Ross ...	25	0	0
Lexton	W. Fairlie ...	35	0	0
Lilydale	H. Perrin	50	0	0
Lintons	G. Montgomery ...	60	0	0
Lismore	J. Parry ...	40	0	0
Little Bendigo ...	O. Skogland ...	20	0	0
Little River	W. Madden ...	35	0	0
Lockwood	S. Espie ...	35	0	0
Longerenong ...	T. Davey ...	30	0	0
Long Gully	A. Pentreath ...	55	0	0
Longwood	F. St. Leger ...	150	0	0
Lord Clyde	D. McRae ...	15	0	0
Lorne	T. Mountjoy ...	10	0	0
Lower Buckland ...	J. Dunphy ...	20	0	0
Lyall	T. Lowes ...	20	0	0
Lyndhurst	P. Walker ...	10	0	0

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Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance. £	s.	d.
Macarthur	J. Law ...	50	0	0
Macedon	R. Stewart ...	45	0	0
McCullum's Ck. (Craigie)	M. Vowles ...	20	0	0
Mack's Creek ...	J. Dellar ...	15	0	0
McIntyres	M. Dawson ...	10	0	0
Maffra	W. Campbell ...	50	0	0
Magpie	R. Lewis ...	15	0	0
Maidentown ...	A. Black ...	25	0	0
Maidstone	W. Pullar ...	20	0	0
Maindample ...	A. McIntyre ...	15	0	0
Main Lead	A. Riedy ...	10	0	0
Majorca	Julia Paterson ...	60	0	0
Maldon	Thos. Reed ...	200	0	0
Malmesbury	J. Roberts ...	84	0	0
Malvern	W. J. Wilson ...	*128	0	0
Mandurang	J. Whitworth ...	10	0	0
Mansfield	G. W. Newland ...	150	0	0
Marong	H. Palmer ...	30	0	0
Maroona	E. Wyatt ...	15	0	0
Marshalltown ...	W. J. Morrison ...	15	0	0
Maryborough ...	C. M. Maplestone	350	0	0
Maryfield	E. McMaster ...	10	0	0
Marysville	M. Keppell ...	40	0	0
Matlock	F. Drake ...	45	0	0
Maude	T. Biles ...	15	0	0
Melton	J. Ferris ...	40	0	0
Meredith	P. O'Keefe ...	70	0	0
Merino	F. Ford ...	60	0	0
Merriang	J. Davies ...	15	0	0
Merton	Jessie Nolan ...	50	0	0
Metcalfe	J. Farrant ...	20	0	0
Mia-mia	T. Dwyer ...	35	0	0
Mickleham	J. Ellis ...	20	0	0
Middle Creek ...	J. Newton ...	25	0	0
Middleton	E. Cawood ...	10	0	0
Milawa	C. Gardiner ...	50	0	0
Minersrest	J. Blennerhassett	25	0	0
Mitta-mitta	M. Thompson ...	15	0	0
Modewarre	E. Ash	15	0	0
Moe	M. Cain ...	25	0	0
Moliagul	R. Leck ...	25	0	0
Moolap	J. Yeoman ...	20	0	0
Moolort	Jane McKowen ...	15	0	0
Moonambel	C. Middleton ...	60	0	0
Moonee Ponds ...	J. T. Hinkins ...	*145	0	0
Moorabool	W. Simpson ...	15	0	0
Moorabool Creek ...	G. Stubbs ...	15	0	0
Moorookyle	J. Manson ...	25	0	0
Mooroopna	S. Smith ...	50	0	0
Morang (Yan Yean) ...	H. M. Thompson	40	0	0
Morang South ...	R. Grant ...	15	0	0
Mordialloc	E. Saunders ...	30	0	0
Mornington	F. Reed ...	84	0	0
Morrison's Diggings ...	G. B. Silvester ...	40	0	0
Mortlake	F. A. G. Farrar ...	180	0	0
Morton Plains ...	J. Millar ...	25	0	0
Mosquito Flat ...	W. Morris ...	15	0	0
Mount Beckworth ...	T. Dunn ...	15	0	0
Mount Blackwood ...	J. F. Hansen ...	75	0	0
Mount Blowhard ...	F. Carver ...	25	0	0
Mount Bolton ...	R. K. Sanderson ..	30	0	0
Mount Cameron ...	J. Holden ...	15	0	0
Mount Clear	J. Davidson ...	20	0	0
Mount Cole	J. A. Carrighan ...	15	0	0
Mount Cotterell ...	W. D. Hocking ...	20	0	0
Mount Duneed (Puebla)	C. Lamond ...	20	0	0
Mount Egerton ...	R. W. Tanner ...	45	0	0
Mount Gellibrand ...	J. Duncan ...	65	0	0
Mount Greenock ...	J. McLennan ...	25	0	0
Mount Mercer ...	W. W. Birrell ...	20	0	0
Mount Moriac ...	C. J. Elden ...	40	0	0
Mount Noorat ...	Mary J. Evans	10	0	0
Mount Pleasant ...	Mary D. Barbour	15	0	0
Mount Prospect ...	J. Durose ...	20	0	0
Mount Rowan ...	J. Gordon ...	15	0	0
Mount Wallace ...	R. Robertson ...	10	0	0
Moutajup	J. Lane ...	15	0	0
Moyhu	S. M. Staten ...	25	0	0
Moyston	R. Moore ...	45	0	0
Muckleford	E. Thwaites ...	40	0	0
Muddy Creek Bridge ...	M. Kearney ...	20	0	0
Mulgrave	G. Stott ...	25	0	0
Murchison	B. Goddard ...	80	0	0
Murgheboluc ...	M. A. Morris ...	15	0	0
Murmungee	Jane Thompson ...	25	0	0
Murroon	G. K. Prime ...	15	0	0
Murtoa	J. Anderson ...	10	0	0
Muskvale	J. Hatton ...	10	0	0
Myers' Flat	S. Dalton ...	15	0	0
Myrniong	C. Simmons ...	45	0	0
Myrtle Creek ...	J. Bardin ...	10	0	0
Myrtleford	J. Mathieson ...	35	0	0
Nagambie	W. Sheehan ...	60	0	0
Napoleons	J. Membrey ...	25	0	0
Nareen	A. Grant ...	20	0	0
Narrawong	D. McLean ...	15	0	0
Narree-Warren ...	G. Rae	15	0	0
Natimuk Creek ...	D. Mitchell ...	10	0	0
Nattie Yallock ...	J. Robinson ...	15	0	0
Navarre	J. A. Stuart ...	25	0	0
Neilborough	L. Marsden ...	15	0	0
Newbridge	H. Pearson ...	40	0	0
Newbury	D. Delaney ...	20	0	0
New Gisborne ...	Elizth. C. D'Arcy	60	0	0
Newham	D. E. Gibbs ...	25	0	0
Newhaven	A. McLeod ...	15	0	0
Newington	T. Kurnow ...	20	0	0
Newlyn	F. Wilkins ...	25	0	0
Newstead	Annie Scott ...	60	0	0
Newtown-Scarsdale ...	G. D. Knight ...	35	0	0
Nirranda	John Lee ...	10	0	0
North Barnawartha ...	Henry Grimes ...	10	0	0
Northcote	E. Bastings ...	*85	0	0
North Redesdale ...	C. McNamara ...	15	0	0
Nuggety Reef ...	J. Moir ...	10	0	0
Oaklands Junction ...	J. Dewar ...	15	0	0
Oakleigh	W. H. Wastell ...	50	0	0
Omeo	C. H. Hodgson ...	40	0	0
Opossum Gully ..	E. C. Webb ...	15	0	0
Orford	M. Horan ...	25	0	0
Ormond	J. Harrington ...	10	0	0
Osborne's Flat ...	J. B. Carkeek ...	15	0	0
Oxley	R. Dunlop ...	55	0	0
Pakenham	M. Bourke ...	45	0	0
Panmure	J. Anderson ...	30	0	0
Pastoria	J. Donovan ...	10	0	0
Penshurst	F. W. Rackham ...	150	0	0
Percydale	H. Wise ...	35	0	0
Pettavel	C Marendaz ...	10	0	0
Piggoreet	F. Blythman ...	40	0	0
Piper's Creek ...	P. Kellas ...	15	0	0
Pirron Yaloak ...	T. Sharrow ...	25	0	0
Pitfield	J. Crowe ...	10	0	0
Point Henry ...	A. Gray ...	15	0	0
Pomborneit	C. H. Bowker ...	20	0	0
Porcupine Flat ...	D. F. Martin ...	10	0	0
Pore-Punka	W. Hooper ...	45	0	0
Port Albert	Jacob Ferris ...	180	0	0
Portarlington ...	R. Wright ...	30	0	0
Port Campbell ...	H. McIntyre ...	10	0	0
Portland	S. R. Deverell ...	350	0	0
Powlett Plains ...	J. Guilfoyle ...	10	0	0
Powlett's Hill ...	J. Morris ...	15	0	0
Prahran	K. E. Chapman ...	84	0	0
Preston	E. Wood ...	*100	0	0
Preston Hill	W. Wilson ...	25	0	0
Purnim	W. Bickle ...	20	0	0
Pyalong	H. Cathery ...	30	0	0
Queenscliff	G. S. Caldwell ...	350	0	0
Queensferry	A. Stewart ...	2	0	0
Raglan	C. Tucker ...	20	0	0
Ravenswood	E. McP. Stewart	30	0	0
Raywood	R. Johns ...	40	0	0

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Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance. £	s.	d.
Redbank ...	E. Murphy ...	25	0	0
Redcastle ...	J. McKee ...	20	0	0
Redesdale ...	J. McNiff ...	45	0	0
Redhill ...	C. S. Davies ...	15	0	0
Red Jacket ...	M. O'Keefe ...	15	0	0
Reedy Creek ...	G. Davis ...	20	0	0
Reid's Creek ...	E. Gannell ...	10	0	0
Richmond ...	Eneas Mackenzie	220	0	0
Riddell's Creek ...	R. Hutchison ...	40	0	0
Rochester ...	T. Seward ...	60	0	0
Rochford ...	J. Edwards ...	30	0	0
Rockbank ...	J. Footit ...	10	0	0
Rocky Flat ...	E. Peters ...	15	0	0
Rocky Lead ...	J. H. Werner ...	20	0	0
Rokewood ...	W. H. White ...	65	0	0
Rokewood Junction ...	J. Gladstone ...	20	0	0
Romsey ...	W. T. Moffatt ...	50	0	0
Rosebrook ...	H. J. H. Irwin ...	20	0	0
Rosedale ...	S. Baker ...	150	0	0
Ross' Bridge ...	W. S. Bryant ...	15	0	0
Ross' Creek ...	A. J. Oswell ...	10	0	0
Running Creek ...	J. Forsyth ...	25	0	0
Runnymede ...	W. D. McKee ...	55	0	0
Rushworth ...	J. H. Roberts ...	60	0	0
Russell's Creek ...	M. E. Gadd ...	10	0	0
Rutherglen ...	E. S. Outtrim ...	180	0	0
Rye ...	G. Mitchell ...	15	0	0
Sailor's Gully ...	J. Paterson ...	15	0	0
St. Andrew ...	R. Smith ...	20	0	0
St. Arnaud ...	J. A. B. Smith ...	200	0	0
St. Huberts ...	Jane Lawlor ...	10	0	0
St. Kilda ...	M. A. Sievwright	100	0	0
St. Leonards ...	R. Smiley ...	10	0	0
Sale ...	J. Coverdale ...	350	0	0
Sandford ...	J. Andison ...	30	0	0
Sandhurst ...	G. W. B. Vibert ...	350	0	0
Sandon ...	A. Kirwan ...	15	0	0
Sandridge ...	J. Kelly ...	100	0	0
Sandy Creek ...	H. Briddon ...	15	0	0
Sarsfield ...	J. Dick ...	10	0	0
Scarsdale ...	E. Knights ...	70	0	0
Scotchman's Lead ...	W. L. Clarke ...	25	0	0
Sebastian ...	D. Hawthorne ...	10	0	0
Sebastopol ...	I. J. Landells ...	84	0	0
Serpentine Creek ...	C. Hutton ...	40	0	0
Seymour ...	P. Orr ...	150	0	0
Shady Creek ...	W. Barry ...	148	4	0
Shelbourne ...	H. S. Brett ...	15	0	0
Shelford ...	H. M. Wilson ...	35	0	0
Shepherd's Flat ...	J. Landells ...	10	0	0
Shepparton ...	A. F. Rowe ...	30	0	0
Shirley ...	H. Kemmis ...	30	0	0
Skipton ...	A. M. Elder ...	45	0	0
Smeaton ...	A. Dockery ...	50	0	0
Smythesdale ...	P. K. Tucker ...	200	0	0
Snake Valley ...	J. Greig ...	35	0	0
Snowy Creek ...	J. Aitken ...	15	0	0
Somerville ...	J. Grant ...	15	0	0
Sorrento ...	E. Allison ...	60	0	0
South Lyndhurst ...	D. Aherne ...	10	0	0
South Muckleford ...	M. Monks ...	15	0	0
South Yarra ...	J. Turner ...	100	0	0
Springfield ...	M. Kenny ...	15	0	0
Spring Gully ...	J. Malone ...	15	0	0
Spring Hill ...	S. Knight ...	20	0	0
Springhurst ...	J. Cozens ...	30	0	0
Springvale ...	J. Coates ...	15	0	0
Springs ...	W. Barbour ...	35	0	0
Staffordshire Reef ...	M. Landles ...	25	0	0
Stanley ...	J. Mathieson ...	35	0	0
Stawell ...	L. O. Peyton ...	350	0	0
Stawell West ...	G. Magnus ...	80	0	0
Steiglitz ...	E. Cooper ...	60	0	0
Stockyard Creek ...	S. Hodder ...	148	4.	0
Stockyard Hill ...	R. Skewes ...	30	0	0
Stonyford ...	H. Cameron ...	10	0	0
Strangways ...	W. H. Mulholland	20	0	0
Stratford ...	M. Hodgson ...	92	0	0
Strathfieldsaye ...	J. Owen ...	20	0	0
Strathloddon ...	M. A. Pitt ...	20	0	0
Strathmore ...	J. Wilson ...	20	0	0
Streatham ...	Isaac Watt ...	120	0	0
Stuartmill ...	M. J. Smith ...	72	0	0
Sulky Gully ...	G. Redman ...	25	0	0
Sunbury ...	W. McElwee ...	45	0	0
Sutherland's Creek ...	D. McCallum ...	20	0	0
Sutton Grange ...	J. Elphinstone ...	25	0	0
Swan Hill ...	W. T. Swann ...	150	0	0
Swift's Creek ...	E. J. Johnson ...	20	0	0
Swift's Creek Junction	J. McMillan ...	10	0	0
Tabilk ...	P. Finn ...	30	0	0
Tahara ...	F. Cussen ...	25	0	0
Talangatta ...	W. Dyring ...	20	0	0
Talbot ...	James Colles ...	350	0	0
Talbotville ...	A. Ross ...	10	0	0
Tallarook ...	T. Fox ...	60	0	0
Tangil ...	C. H. Williams ...	25	0	0
Taradale ...	A. W. Stanton ...	84	0	0
Tarilta ...	W. L. Ferrier ...	15	0	0
Tarnagulla ...	G. E. Jackson ...	150	0	0
Tarraville ...	T. Lang ...	40	0	0
Tarrawingee ...	J. Ladson ...	35	0	0
Tatyoon ...	J. Crowthers ...	25	0	0
Teesdale ...	D. Todd ...	20	0	0
Templestowe ...	F. Field ...	15	0	0
Ten-mile House ...	T. Allen ...	20	0	0
Terang ...	L. E. Kinahan ...	100	0	0
Terrick-terrick ...	E. Davies ...	30	0	0
Thomastown ...	E. Perry ...	15	0	0
Timor ...	S. S. Brown ...	45	0	0
Tintaldra ...	P. S. Watson ...	25	0	0
Tongio ...	J. Fregon ...	10	0	0
Tooborac ...	E. F. Ewen ...	15	0	0
Toolamba ...	G. Thompson ...	25	0	0
Toolern ...	G. Hesketh ...	15	0	0
Toolleen ...	T. W. Campbell ...	15	0	0
Toongabbie ...	J. Bassett ...	35	0	0
Toorak ...	E. Morell ...	60	0	0
Torrumbarry ...	J. E. Tolhurst ...	15	0	0
Tourello ...	J. MacGregor ...	20	0	0
Towaninnie ...	J. Finlay ...	20	0	0
Traralgon ...	H. Campbell ...	45	0	0
Trawalla ...	S. Parker ...	35	0	0
Trentham ...	G. McPherson ...	40	0	0
Trunk Lead ...	R. Hall ...	15	0	0
Tullamarine ...	J. Cousins ...	15	0	0
Twist's Creek ...	J. Burke ...	10	0	0
Tylden ...	A. M. Clayton ...	60	0	0
Ullina ...	S. H. Lowry ...	20	0	0
Ulupna West ...	J. Gracey ...	10	0	0
Upper Dargo ...	J. Fairley ...	40	0	0
Upper King River ...	Mahala Izard ...	10	0	0
Upper Macedon ...	A. de Forest ...	25	0	0
Upper Maffra ...	F. McKinnell ...	20	0	0
Vaughan ...	J. Chapman ...	30	0	0
Victoria Valley ...	F. W. Dawson ...	10	0	0
Violet Town ...	J. Fivey ...	50	0	0
Wahgunyah ...	Rodk. Kilborn ...	350	0	0
Wahring ...	J. Adams ...	25	0	0
Walhalla ...	W. B. Payter ...	120	0	0
Wallan-wallan ...	H. Sinclair ...	50	0	0
Wallan-wallan Railway Station	C. F. Cutten ...	20	0	0
Wallington ...	S. Coleman ...	25	0	0
Walmer ...	D. Corbet ...	15	0	0
Wandin Yalloak ...	Jane Baker ...	10	0	0
Wangaratta ...	William Shields ...	250	0	0
Wannon ...	A. Cameron ...	20	0	0
Warburton ...	G. Gray ...	15	0	0
Wareek ...	C. Fitzgerald ...	10	0	0
Warrandyte ...	A. McDonald ...	25	0	0
Warrenheip ...	J. Day ...	20	0	0
Warrenmang ...	J. Croad ...	10	0	0

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Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance. £	s.	d.	Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance. £	s.	d.
Warrnambool ...	James Fisher ...	350	0	0	Woodend	R. Nicholson ...	70	0	0
Waterloo	T. R. Morgan ...	20	0	0	Woodford	J. M. Patison ...	35	0	0
Waurn Ponds ...	O. Ambler ...	15	0	0	Woodside	J. Collins ...	20	0	0
Weatherboard Hill ...	J. Nicholson ...	15	0	0	Wood's Point ...	James Sennett ...	180	0	0
Wedderburn ...	J. R. Gray ...	55	0	0	Woodstock	O. Quinn ...	25	0	0
Wehla	J. Brown ...	40	0	0	Woodstock, Loddon ...	G. N. Wardell ...	20	0	0
Welshman's Reef ...	M. Morris ...	20	0	0	Woolshed	M. J. Kerr ...	10	0	0
Wendouree	H. Martin ...	25	0	0	Woolsthorpe ...	W. Davidson ...	20	0	0
Wensleydale ...	M. Halkyard ...	10	0	0	Wooragee	H. Gale ...	15	0	0
Werracknebeal ...	J. A. Sutcliffe ...	30	0	0	Woorndoo	G. Nalder ...	20	0	0
Wharparilla	J. Brisbane ...	15	0	0	Wyndham	F. Schulze ...	45	0	0
White Hills	G. S. Butter ...	35	0	0					
Whittlesea	J. Gibson ...	40	0	0					
Whorouly	E. Tillotson ...	15	0	0	Yackandandah ...	H. P. Kennedy ...	84	0	0
Whroo	Chas. Band ...	35	0	0	Yackandandah Junction	J. McCully ...	10	0	0
Wickliffe	J. Pyle	70	0	0	Yambuk	O. Doherty ...	25	0	0
Wild-duck Creek ...	G. Murrowood ...	15	0	0	Yandoit	C. Hedges ...	25	0	0
Williamstown ...	F. L. Outtrim ...	220	0	0	Yangery	W. T. Chalkeley	10	0	0
Williamstown Junction	C. Nantes ...	20	0	0	Yapeen	J. Smith ...	20	0	0
Winchelsea	A. H. Belling ...	72	0	0	Yarra Flats	J. H. Petty ...	45	0	0
Windermere	R. Comber ...	30	0	0	Yarram-yarram ...	C. Devonshire ...	15	0	0
Winslow	W. Ould ...	15	0	0	Yarraville	J. Palmer ...	*40	0	0
Winton	M. Stafford ...	20	0	0	Yarrawonga	J. Davis ...	10	0	0
Wodonga	A. Cheyne ...	150	0	0	Yea	S. A. Wall ...	55	0	0
Wombat Creek ...	J. Nicholson ...	10	0	0	Yowen Hill	Ellen Johnson ...	40	0	0

* Includes cost of letter delivery.

APPENDIX F.

REGULATIONS AND SCHEDULES RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, PAY, ETC., OF SORTERS, LINE-REPAIRERS, STAMPERS, LETTER-CARRIERS, AND TELEGRAPH MESSENGERS.

(*Approved by the Governor in Council on the 6th March* 1874.)

Qualifications of candidate.

I. Every candidate for employment as sorter, line-repairer, stamper, letter-carrier, or telegraph messenger shall be able to read manuscript, write from dictation, and have a knowledge of the first four rules of arithmetic; he shall also show that he is of sober habits, and in other respects of good character, and shall produce a certificate from the Chief Medical Officer, or from some other medical man nominated by the Minister of the department, that he is free from any infirmity of body or mind; otherwise he shall not be eligible for appointment to any of the offices above named, either in the first or second class.

II. No person shall be appointed as a sorter, stamper, or letter-carrier who shall be under sixteen or above twenty-five years of age; or as a telegraph messenger if he shall be under thirteen or above sixteen years of age.

Clauses III. to VII. relate solely to the pay of officers under the new establishment who were in the service before the passing of these Regulations.

III. Where in the present year any officer in the second class in the Schedules annexed, or any officer not in the Third Schedule under the Civil Service Act, has attained to the age of forty-five years, such officer shall not be eligible for appointment to the first class of any of the offices named herein.

IV. Where in the present year any officer mentioned herein shall be in receipt of a rate of wages beyond the maximum assigned to the first class in the Schedules annexed he shall continue to receive the same wages as before the passing of these Regulations; but in the event of such officers being reduced for misconduct, or his office becoming vacant, no higher rate of wages shall be attached to such office than the maximum limit of the first class in the Schedule relating thereto.

V. Where in the present year any officer referred to in the Schedules annexed shall receive a rate of wages under the new establishment in the first or second class, but beyond the minimum rates of those classes, he shall continue to receive the same wages, but shall not receive any annual increment thereto until the time at which if he had entered the second class at the minimum rate of wages of such class from the date of his first continuous employment he would be entitled to an annual increment.

VI. Where in the present year any officer referred to in the Schedules annexed shall receive wages under the new establishment in the first or second class beyond the minimum rate assigned to his class, but below the rate of wages to which he would have been entitled if these Regulations had been passed at the time he entered the service, such officer shall receive such addition to his present rate of wages as he may be entitled to by annual increment.

VII. Where in the present year any officer referred to in the Schedules annexed shall receive a lower rate of wages than others in the same class who have not been continuously employed for so long a time, such officer shall receive under the new establishment such addition to his present rate of wages, by

way of increment, as shall place him on an equal footing with such other officers; but he shall not receive a higher rate of wages than those who were his seniors in point of pay before the passing of these Regulations.

Persons formerly in the service may be re-appointed.

VIII. Notwithstanding anything contained in the General Regulations, or in the Schedule Regulations annexed, any person who at any time has been, or shall hereafter be, employed in any of the offices named herein, or in any office in the Post Office and Telegraph Department, in the Third Schedule of the Civil Service Act, who has left the service and has not been dismissed, may be appointed to any of the classes in the Schedules annexed in the same manner as if he had never left the service.

Officers of Third Schedule not named in first clause of these Regulations may be appointed.

IX. Mail-guards and other persons in the Post Office and Telegraph Department holding offices in the Third Schedule of the Civil Service Act not mentioned in these Regulations shall be eligible for appointment to any of the offices named herein, and at such rates of pay within the first class of such offices as may be determined on by the Minister of the department, notwithstanding anything contained in the Schedule Regulations annexed.

Leave of absence for recreation.

X. The officers of the first class in the Schedules annexed to these Regulations who have been ten years in the service, and have not been reduced for misconduct, may receive three weeks' leave of absence for recreation in each year, and the days appointed in the *Government Gazette* as public holidays; and the officers of the first class in the Schedules annexed who have not been ten years in the service may receive two weeks' leave of absence for recreation in each year and the days appointed in the *Government Gazette* as public holidays.

Sick leave.

XI. The officers of the first class in the Schedules annexed to these Regulations who may be absent from duty on account of sickness may receive full pay during such absence, provided it does not exceed thirty-six working days; but if any officer is absent for a longer period in the same year, such officer shall receive half pay only for such time as he may be absent on sick leave in excess of the number of days above mentioned.

Bonus allowance.

XII. Officers of the second class, when absent for recreation or on account of sickness, shall not be entitled to any wages for the time they may be so absent, but may be allowed, conditionally upon good conduct, at the termination of each financial year, a bonus allowance equivalent to two weeks' pay.

Portion of a week's service not to be paid for as full week.

XIII. When any officer appointed under these Regulations shall not have served a full week, he shall be paid only for such proportion of a week as he may be entitled to.

Attendance of officers may be required on holidays.

XIV. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Minister in charge of the department from requiring the attendance of the officers named in these Regulations on the days appointed in the *Government Gazette* as public holidays, if necessary for the convenience of the department; but in that case such officers shall be entitled in lieu thereof to holidays, on the conditions above mentioned, upon such other occasions as shall not interfere with the public service.

Overtime.

XV. The ordinary number of hours that the officers named in these Regulations may be employed shall be eight hours a day, and when the exigencies of the public service require their attendance for a longer period they shall be paid for overtime: if between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., at the same rate per hour as for an ordinary day's work; if after 6 p.m. and before 6 a.m., they shall be paid for such extra work 25 per cent. additional to the rate per hour for an ordinary day's work.

Schedule Regulations.

XVI. Other Regulations relating severally to the officers named in the first clause of these Regulations have been superscribed to the Schedules annexed, and shall be denominated hereinafter as Schedule Regulations.

Previous Regulations relating to matters determined herein cancelled. These Regulations subject to the votes of Parliament, and to take effect from date named

XVII. These Regulations shall commence and take effect from the first day of July, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and shall be in lieu of all other Regulations whatsoever relating to matters determined herein, and such other Regulations are hereby cancelled; and the rates of pay and increments set forth in the Schedules annexed hereto shall be subject to the votes of Parliament from year to year.

NOTE.—Clauses I. and II. above shall not apply to persons who may be transferred from any other department of the public service; but such persons, not being over thirty-five years of age, may be appointed, without probation, to the second class of any of the offices above named at the minimum rate of pay of such class.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT FOR SORTERS.

SCHEDULE REGULATIONS.

Town and Country.

1. Every candidate for employment as sorter who has not attained the age of twenty-one years shall serve a probation of three months at the rate of 10s. 6d. per week, except where otherwise provided in Schedule Regulations for stampers and letter-carriers.
2. Probationer shall not be appointed unless he shall have served the full term of his probation to the satisfaction of the Deputy Postmaster-General, and may be summarily discharged during probation for unfitness or misconduct.
3. There shall be two classes of sorters.
4. The wages of the first class shall be from 51s. per week, with an annual increment of 1s. 6d. per week to 60s. per week.
5. The wages of the second class shall be from 18s. per week, with an annual increment of 6s. per week after the first year, and 7s. per week after the second and each succeeding year, to 45s. per week.
6. The sorters of the second class shall serve two years at the maximum of such class before they shall be eligible for promotion to first class.
7. Annual increment shall commence one year after first continuous employment.
8. No increment shall be deemed to have accrued to the wages of any sorter in the first class until such time as he would be entitled thereto by annual increment if he had commenced at the minimum limit of the second class.
9. Present seniority of sorters shall not be altered by operation of increment.
10. Increment shall be dependent upon good conduct.

SCHEDULE.

STAFF SORTERS.

III. Schedule of 25 Victoria No. 160 (*Civil Service Act*).

Class.	Maximum and Minimum Rates of Wages.	Rate of Annual Increment per week.	Number of Years to reach Maximum.	Remarks.
First class ...	60s. to 51s.	1s. 6d.	6	The length of service required to reach the maximum of this class is twelve years.

ASSISTANT SORTERS.

"Contingencies."

Class.	Maximum and Minimum Rates of Wages.	Rate of Annual Increment per Week.	Number of Years to reach Maximum.	Remarks.
Second class ...	45s. 38s. 31s. 24s. 18s.	7s. 7s. 7s. 6s. —	4	The length of service in this class before eligible for promotion to first class is six years.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT FOR LINE-REPAIRERS.

SCHEDULE REGULATIONS.

Town and Country.

1. Every candidate for employment as line-repairer shall serve a probation of six months at 36s. per week.
2. Probationer shall not be appointed unless he shall have served the full term of his probation to the satisfaction of the Deputy Postmaster-General, and may be summarily discharged during probation for unfitness or misconduct.
3. There shall be two classes of line-repairers.
4. The wages of the first class shall be from 51s. per week, with an annual increment of 1s. 6d. per week to 57s. per week.
5. The wages of the second class shall be from 45s. per week, with an annual increment of 1s. 6d. per week to 48s. per week.
6. Line-repairers of the second class shall be eligible for promotion to the first class after one year's service at the maximum of the second class.
7. Annual increment shall commence one year after first continuous employment.
8. No increment shall be deemed to have accrued to any line-repairer of the first class until such time as he would be entitled thereto by annual increment if he had commenced at the minimum limit of the second class.
9. Present seniority of line-repairers shall not be altered by operation of increment.
10. Increment shall be dependent upon good conduct.
11. Line-repairers of the first and second classes shall be granted an allowance, when travelling, of 6s. to 8s. a day, according to the districts in which they may be employed.

SCHEDULE.

STAFF LINE-REPAIRERS.

III. Schedule of 25 Victoria No. 160 (*Civil Service Act*).

Class.	Maximum and Minimum Rates of Wages.	Rate of Annual Increment per Week.	Number of Years to reach Maximum.	Remarks.
First class ...	57s. to 51s.	1s. 6d.	4	The length of service required to reach the maximum of this class is seven years.

ASSISTANT LINE-REPAIRERS.

"Contingencies."

Class.	Maximum and Minimum Rates of Wages.	Rate of Annual Increment per Week.	Number of Years to reach Maximum.	Remarks.
Second class ...	48s. to 45s.	1s. 6d.	2	The length of service in this class before eligible for promotion to first class is three years.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT FOR STAMPERS.

SCHEDULE REGULATIONS.

Town and Country.

1. Every candidate for employment as stamper shall serve a probation of six months, except where otherwise provided in Schedule Regulations for letter-carriers.
2. Probationer shall receive at the rate of 18s. per week for the first three months and at the rate of 27s. per week for the last three months of his probation.
3. Probationer shall not be appointed unless he shall have served the full term of his probation to the satisfaction of the Deputy Postmaster-General, and may be summarily discharged during probation for unfitness or misconduct.
4. There shall be two classes of stampers.
5. The wages of the first class shall be from 45s. per week, with an annual increment of 1s. 6d. per week to 57s. per week.
6. The wages of the second class shall be from 36s. per week, with an annual increment of 1s. 6d. per week to 42s. per week.
7. The stampers of the second class shall serve two years at the maximum of such class before they are eligible for promotion to the first class.
8. Annual increment shall commence from one year after first continuous employment.
9. No increment shall be deemed to have accrued to the wages of any stamper in the first class until such time as he would be entitled thereto by annual increment if he had commenced at the minimum limit of the second class.
10. Present seniority of stampers shall not be altered by operation of increment.
11. Increment shall be dependent upon good conduct.
12. Stampers of the first class who have served for one year at the maximum of their class shall be eligible for promotion as sorters of the first class at the rate of pay they are then receiving.

SCHEDULE.

STAFF STAMPERS.

III. Schedule of 25 Victoria No. 160 (*Civil Service Act*).

Class.	Maximum and Minimum Rates of Wages.	Rate of Annual Increment per Week.	Number of Years to reach Maximum.	Remarks.
First class ...	57s. to 45s.	1s. 6d.	8	The length of service required to reach the maximum of this class is fourteen years.

ASSISTANT STAMPERS.

"Contingencies."

Class.	Maximum and Minimum Rates of Wages.	Rate of Annual Increment per Week.	Number of Years to reach Maximum.	Remarks.
Second class ...	42s. to 36s.	1s. 6d.	4	The length of service in this class before eligible for promotion to first class is six years.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT FOR LETTER-CARRIERS.

SCHEDULE REGULATIONS.

Town and Country.

1. Every candidate for employment as letter-carrier shall serve a probation of six months.
2. Probationer shall receive at the rate of 18s. per week for the first three months and at the rate of 27s. per week for the last three months of his probation.
3. Probationer shall not be appointed unless he shall have served the full term of his probation to the satisfaction of the Deputy Postmaster-General, and may be summarily discharged during probation for unfitness or misconduct.
4. There shall be two classes of letter-carriers.
5. The wages of the first class shall be from 45s. per week, with an annual increment of 1s. 6d. per week to 57s. per week.
6. The wages of the second class shall be from 36s. per week, with an annual increment of 1s. 6d. per week to 42s. per week.
7. Letter-carriers of the second class shall serve two years at the maximum of such class before they are eligible for promotion to first class.
8. Annual increment shall commence one year after first continuous employment.
9. No increment shall be deemed to have accrued to the wages of any letter-carrier in the first class until such time as he would be entitled thereto by annual increment if he had commenced at the minimum limit of the second class.
10. Present seniority of letter-carriers shall not be altered by operation of increment.
11. Increment shall be dependent upon good conduct.
12. Letter-carriers of the first class who have served for one year at the maximum of their class shall be eligible for promotion as sorters of the first class, at the rate of pay they are then receiving; or as stampers, at the maximum rate of pay of such class.
13. Letter-carriers of the second class who have served two years at the maximum of their class shall be eligible for appointment as stampers of the first class, at the minimum rate of pay of such class.
14. Letter-carriers of the first and second classes shall be allowed uniforms consisting of a summer coat and trousers, a winter coat and trousers, and a cap with two covers, annually.

SCHEDULE.

STAFF LETTER-CARRIERS.

III. Schedule of 25 Victoria No. 160 (*Civil Service Act*).

Class.	Maximum and Minimum Rates of Wages.	Rate of Annual Increment per Week.	Number of Years to reach Maximum.	Remarks.
First class ...	57s. to 45s.	1s. 6d.	8	The length of service required to reach the maximum of this class is fourteen years.

ASSISTANT LETTER-CARRIERS.

"Contingencies."

Class.	Maximum and Minimum Rates of Wages.	Rate of Annual Increment per Week.	Number of Years to reach Maximum.	Remarks.
Second class ...	42s. to 36s.	1s. 6d.	4	The length of service in this class before eligible for promotion to the first class is six years.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT FOR TELEGRAPH MESSENGERS.

SCHEDULE REGULATIONS.

Town and Country.

1. Every candidate for employment as telegraph messenger shall serve a probation of three months at the rate of 10s. 6d. per week.
2. Probationer shall not be appointed unless he shall have served the full term of his probation to the satisfaction of the Deputy Postmaster-General, and may be summarily discharged during probation for unfitness or misconduct.
3. There shall be two classes of telegraph messengers.
4. The wages of the first class shall be from 24s. per week, with an annual increment of 1s. 6d. per week to 30s. per week.
5. The wages of the second class shall be from 12s. per week, with an annual increment of 3s. per week after the first year, and 5s. per week after the second year, to 20s. per week.
6. The telegraph messengers of the second class shall be eligible for promotion to the first class after one year's service at the maximum of the second class.
7. Annual increment shall commence one year after first continuous employment.
8. No increment shall be deemed to have accrued to the wages of any telegraph messenger of the first class until such time as he would be entitled thereto by annual increment if he had commenced at the minimum limit of the second class.
9. Present seniority of telegraph messengers shall not be altered by operation of increment.
10. Increment shall be dependent upon good conduct.
11. Telegraph messengers of the first class, after having served for two years at the maximum of such class, shall be eligible for promotion as letter-carriers of the first class.
12. Telegraph messengers of the second class shall be eligible for promotion as letter-carriers of the second class, at the minimum rate of pay of such class, after having served the probation required by the regulations relating to letter-carriers. But such probationer shall not be paid less during such probation than the wages he was receiving as telegraph messenger.
13. Telegraph messengers of the first and second classes, who have become qualified and have passed the necessary examination, shall be eligible for appointment as assistant operators, at such rates of pay as may be determined upon by the Minister of the department.
14. Telegraph messengers of the first and second classes shall be allowed uniforms consisting of a summer coat and trousers, a winter coat and trousers, and a cap with two covers, annually.

SCHEDULE.

STAFF TELEGRAPH MESSENGERS.

III. Schedule of 25 Victoria No. 160 (*Civil Service Act*).

Class.	Maximum and Minimum Rates of Wages.	Rate of Annual Increment per week.	Number of Years to reach Maximum.	Remarks.
First class ...	30s. to 24s.	1s. 6d.	4	The length of service required to reach the maximum of this class is seven years.

ASSISTANT TELEGRAPH MESSENGERS.

"Contingencies."

Class.	Maximum and Minimum Rates of Wages.	Rate of Annual Increment per Week.	Number of Years to reach Maximum.	Remarks.
Second class ...	20s. 15s. 12s.	5s. 3s. —	2	The lengtb of service in this class before eligible for promotion to the first class is three years.

APPENDIX G.

STATEMENT showing Particulars of Inland Mail Service performed in Victoria during the Year 1874.

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		31,200
to and from Melbourne and Cowes (Phillip Island), *viâ* Frankston, Somerville, and Hastings, with a branch to and from Hastings and Balnarring	Three days a week ...	Coach and boat	40		12,480
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 ...	... ...	35		10,920
to and from Shady Creek and Crossover Diggings ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback...	12		2,496
to and from Sale and Bairnsdale, by way of Stratford (Telegraph line)	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	42		13,104
with a branch mail to and from Fernbank	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	2		624
to and from Kiewa and Snowy Creek, by way of Sandy Creek, Noorongong, Tallandoon, and Mitta-mitta	Once a week ...	Horseback	50		5,200
to and from Kiewa and Towong, by way of Tangambalanga, Bethanga, Bungil, Thologolong, Burrowyo, Jingellac, Walwa, Tintaldra, Cudgiewa, Corryong Schoolhouse, Colac-colac, and Gravel Plains	Once a week ...	Horseback	105		10,920
and to and from Kiewa and Towong, by way of Tangambalanga, Bungoonie, Mitta-mitta Crossing, Talangatta, Koetong, Wabba, Cudgiewa, Corryong Schoolhouse, and Colac-colac	Once a week ...	Horseback	90		9,360
with a branch to and from Tintaldra and Cudgiewa ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	15		1,566
to and from Beechworth and Yackandandah, *viâ* Wooragee	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15		9,360
to and from Yackandandah and Albury, by way of Osborn's Flat, Kiewa, and Wodonga	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	30		18,720
to and from Beechworth and Wahgunyah, by way of Chiltern, Indigo, and Rutherglen	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	33		20,592
to and from Chiltern and Howlong, N.S.W., by way of Brown's Plains	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	20		6,240
to and from Sutton and Yackandandah, by way of Hillsborough, Yackandandah Junction, and Twist's Creek	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	10		3,120
to and from Porepunkah and Buckland, by way of Lower Buckland	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	18		5,616
to and from Beechworth and Hillsborough, by way of Stanley	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	14		87,360
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 Wangaratta and Growler's Creek, *viâ* Oxley, Oxley Plains, Everton, Bowman's Forest, Taylor's Gap, Myrtleford, Eurobin, Porepunkah, and Bright	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	62		38,688
with a branch to and from Oxley and Greta, by way of Moyhu Post Office	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	20		6,240
and to and from Taylor's Gap and Beechworth, *viâ* Murmungee	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	10		6,240
to and from Longwood Railway Station and Mansfield, by way of Longwood Post Office, Merton, Doon, and Maindample	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	53		33,072
and to and from Mansfield and Jamieson, by way of Old Devil's River Inn and Brack's	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	25		7,800
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 Wood's Point and Lilydale, by way of Healesville, Fernshawe, Marysville, and Matlock	Three days a week ...	Coach and horseback	80		24,960
to and from Melbourne and Lilydale, by way of Box Hill	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	25		15,600
to and from Alexandra and Jamieson, *viâ* Darlingford ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	32		9,984
to and from Merton and Godfrey's Creek	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		1,872
to and from Godfrey's Creek and Alexandra	Six days a week ...	Horseback	18		5,616
to and from Tallarook and Alexandra, by way of Yea ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	48		29,952
to and from Keilor Road Railway Station and Keilor ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	5		3,120
to and from Keilor Road Railway Station and Bacchus Marsh, by way of Melton	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	20		24,960
to and from Bacchus Marsh and Ballarat, by way of Pentland Hills, Ballan, Gordon's, Mount Egerton, Moorabool Creek, and Dunstown	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	35		21,840
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to and from Mount Blackwood and Barry's Reef ...	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	4		4,992
to and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Echuca	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	1		1,248
to and from Runnymede and Murchison, by way of Colbinabbin, Campaspe, and Rushworth	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	40		12,480
to and from Sandhurst and Huntly, by way of the White Hills and Epsom	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	6		3,744
from Sandhurst to Eaglehawk, by way of Long Gully and California Gully	Once a day ...	Coach ...	5		1,560
and from Eaglehawk to Sandhurst, by same route ...	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	5		3,120
to and from Sandhurst and Tarnagulla, by way of Golden Square, Kangaroo Flat, Lockwood, East Shelbourne, Woodstock-on-Loddon, Newbridge, and Maidentown	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	28		17,472

[1] From above amount the sum of £2,047 6s. 7d. has been deducted, consequent on opening of portions of railway from Castlemaine to Maryborough and from Ballarat to Creswick; and 51,722 miles have to be deducted from gross mileage in consequence thereof.

STATEMENT showing Particulars of Inland Mail Service performed in Victoria, 1874—*continued.*

Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Sandhurst and Swan Hill, by way of Serpentine Creek, Durham Ox, and Kerang	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	120		24,960
to and from Swan Hill and Euston, by way of Pyangil, Narung, and Wyrlong	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 and horseback	60		6,240
to and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Sandhurst, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	As often as required...	Vehicle ...	15*		4,680
for the clearance of the letter and newspaper boxes in Sandhurst now established, or any that may be opened during the currency of the contract, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier; covered vehicles to be used	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	18*		5,616
to and from Sandhurst and Wedderburne, by way of Marong, Inglewood, and Old Inglewood	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	48		29,952
to and from St. Arnaud and Gre-gre	Once a week ...	Horseback	10		1,040
to and from Wehla and Avoca Forest, by way of Burke's Flat	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	14		8,736
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 St. Arnaud and Morton Plains, by way of Donald and Mount Jeffcott	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	40		8,320
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 Dunolly and St. Arnaud, by way of Goldsborough Reef, Bealiba, and Carapooee	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	40		24,960
to and from Castlemaine and Dunolly, by way of Maldon and Eddington	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	33	*See previous page*	20,592
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 South Muckleford, Green Gully, Newstead, Sandon, Glengower, Moorookyle, 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 Castlemaine and Maldon, by way of Muckleford	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	80		24,960
to and from Maldon and Maryborough, by way of Baringhup and Carisbrook	Six days a week ...				
to and from Melbourne and Lilydale, by way of Box Hill	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	25		15,600
and to and from Lilydale and Wood's Point, by way of Healesville, Fernshawe, Marysville, and Matlock	Three days a week...	Coach and horseback	81		12,792
to and from Castlemaine and Maryborough, by way of Newstead, Joyce's Creek, Moolort, and Carisbrook	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	33		20,592
to and from Malmsbury 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 Daylesford and Leonard's Hill, by way of Muskvale	Three days a week...	Horseback	6		1,872
to and from Hepburn and Dry Diggings	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3		1,872
to and from Ballarat and Daylesford, by way of Mount Rowan, Sulky Gully, Creswick, Newlyn, Mount Prospect, and Eganstown	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	28		17,472
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, Lower Alma, and Alma	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	12		7,488
including clearance of letter-box at Chinaman's Flat	Daily				
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 Buangor and Mount Cole	Two days a week ...	Horseback	9		1,872
to and from Ararat and Moyston, by way of Cathcart ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	10		6,240
to and from Ararat and Ross' Bridge, by way of Tatyoon	Two days a week ...	Horseback	25		5,200
to and from Wickliffe and Ararat, by way of Kiora and Maroona	Three days a week...	Coach ...	32		9,984
to and from Stawell and Horsham, by way of Stawell West, Deep Lead, Glenorchy, Ledcourt, and Drung-drung	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	47		29,328
to and from Glenorchy and Longerenong, by way of Ashens	Three days a week...	Coach ...	18		5,616
to and from Glenorchy and Donald, by way of Ayers, Anderson's, Creswick Station, Callawadda, Wirchilleba, Wallaloo, Avon Plains Post Office, and McLachlan Lakes (Stratford's)	Three days a week...	Horseback	65		20,280
to and from Horsham and Werracknebeal, by way of Sheep Hill Station, Jung-jung and Kewell	Two days a week ...	Horseback	40		8,320
to and from Horsham and Lake Hindmarsh, by way of Dimboola	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	50	7,325 7 6[1]	10,400
to and from Lake Hindmarsh, and Wonga Lake, by way of Nypo and Albacutya	Once a week ...	Horseback	45		4,680
to and from Dimboola and Lawloit, by way of Lochiel, Nhill, Mount Elgin, and Drumbanagher	Two days a week ...	Horseback	49		10,192

* Per diem.

[1] From above amount the sum of £622 14s. 4d. has been deducted, consequent on opening of railway from Ballarat to Beaufort; and 15,568 miles have to be deducted from gross mileage.

STATEMENT showing Particulars of Inland Mail Service performed in Victoria, 1874—*continued.*

Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Dimboola and Lockhart, by way of Glenlee, Lorquon, Yanack-a-Yanack, Balrook, Bunyip, Yarrock, and Cove	Once a week ...	Horseback	80		8,320
to and from Werracknebeal and Lake Corong, *viâ* Brim	Twice a week ...	Horseback	25		5,200
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 ...	Vehicle ...	81		16,848
to and from Stawell West and Ballarat, by way of Stawell, Great Western, Armstrong's, Ararat, Dobie's Bridge, Buangor, Shirley, Eurambeen, Beaufort, Trawalla, Burrumbeet, and Cardigan	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	78	*See previous page*	48,672
to and from Burrumbeet and Weatherboard Hill, by way of Windermere	Six days a week ...	Horseback	5		3,120
To and from Avoca and Percydale	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Avoca and Stawell, by way of Moonambel, Landsborough, Green's Creek, and Kirkella	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	55		34,320
to and from Talbot and Avoca, by way of Amherst ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15		9,360
to and from Talbot and Evansford	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7		4,368
to and from Talbot and Majorca, by way of Cockatoo ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	4		2,496
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 Landsborough and Canterbury, by way of Navarre and Barkly	Three days a week...	Coach ...	22		6,864
to and from Moonambel and Warrenmang, *viâ* Kimberley	Three days a week...	Horseback	14		4,368
to and from Ballarat and Avoca, by way of Wendouree, Lake Learmonth, Mount Bolton, Springs, Lexton, and Lamplough	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	44		27,456
to and from Ballarat and Talbot, by way of Minersrest, Mount Blowhard, Ascot, and Clunes	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	31		19,344
to and from Ballarat and Maryborough, by way of Mount Rowan, Sulky Gully, Creswick, Glendonald, Maryfield, Clunes, Dunach (Mount Greenock South), Talbot, and Amherst; with a branch mail to and from Dunolly and Maryborough, by way of Havelock and Bet-bet	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	42		26,208
	Six days a week ...	Coach ...			
to and from Ballarat and Trunk Lead, by way of Redan Bridge, Mount Pleasant, Sebastopol, Cobbler's Gully, Cambrian Hill, and Haddon	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	14		7,392
to and from Ballarat and Alfredton, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	3		3,744
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 ...	Vehicle ...	22*	7,577 3 0[1]	6,864
from Ballarat to Ballarat East	Twice a day ...				
from Ballarat to Newington	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	12*		3,744
also the conveyance of two letter-carriers from Ballarat to Newington	Once a day ...				
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 ...	Vehicle ...	9*		2,808
to and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Ballarat, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	As often as required	Vehicle ...	1½*		468
to and from Mount Greenock and Mount Cameron (Splitter's Creek)	Three days a week...	Horseback	10		3,120
to and from Talbot and Mount Greenock, by way of Rocky Flat	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Clunes and Glendaruel, by way of Tourello and Mount Beckworth	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	6		3,744
to and from Clunes and Glengower, by way of Lord Clyde and Middle Creek	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	10		6,240
to and from Creswick and Coghill's Creek, by way of Bald Hills and Ascot	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	20		12,480
To and from Ballarat and Hamilton, by way of Smythesdale, Scarsdale, Linton's, Skipton, Streatham, Lake Bolac, Wickliffe, Glenthompson, Strathmore, Dunkeld, and Montajup	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	115		71,760
to and from Ballarat and Linton's, by way of Smythesdale and Scarsdale	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	21		13,104
to and from Ballarat and Barkstead, by way of Black Hill, Little Bendigo, Brown Hill, Leigh Creek, Bullarook, and Devil's Creek	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15	*See next page*	9,360
to and from Ballarat and Sebastopol, by way of Redan Bridge	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	2½		1,560
to and from Ballarat and Bungaree, by way of Dunn's Town and Warrenheip	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	16		9,984
to and from Ballarat and Buninyong, by way of Mount Clear	Six days a week ...	Cab ...	9		5,616
to and from Brown Hills and Clarke's Hill	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7		4,368
to and from Buninyong and the Buninyong Railway Station	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	7		4,368
to and from Buninyong and Mount Mercer, by way of Durham Lead, Hardie's Hill, and Grenville	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15		9,360

* Per diem.

[1] From above amount the sum of £911 17s. 6d. has been deducted, consequent on opening of railway from Ballarat to Maryborough; and 27,790 miles will have to be deducted from gross mileage.

STATEMENT showing Particulars of Inland Mail Service performed in Victoria, 1874—*continued.*

Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Buninyong and Whim-holes	Three days a week...	Vehicle ...	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	7,067 10 0	4,368
to and from Brown Hills and Glenpark	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4		2,496
to and from Lal-lal Railway Station and Clarendon ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4		2,496
to and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Meredith	Twice a day ...	Horseback	1½*		468
to and from Meredith and Steiglitz	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	7		4,368
to and from Meredith and Cargerie	Three days a week...	Horseback	11		3,432
to and from Meredith and Morrison's	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	6		3,744
to and from Steiglitz and Durdidwarrah	Three days a week	Horseback	5		1,560
and to and from Durdidwarrah and Mount Wallace ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6		1,248
to and from Morrison's and Dolly's Creek	Three days a week...	Horseback	6		1,872
to and from Elaine Railway Station and Elaine (Mount Doran)	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	8		1,872
to and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Lethbridge	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	1		1,248
to and from Inverleigh and Leigh Road Railway Station	Four days a week ...	Horseback	9		3,744
to and from Leigh Road Railway Station and Anakies, by way of Darriwall and Maude	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	9		5,616
to and from Moorabool Railway Station and Post Office, Moorabool	Twice a day ...	On foot ...	1		1,248
to and from Leigh Road Railway Station and Rokewood, by way of Teesdale and Shelford	Three days a week	Coach ...	30		9,360
and to and from Rokewood and Smythesdale, by way of Rokewood Junction, Bulldog Flat, Cape Clear, Newtown-Scarsdale, and Scarsdale	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	18		11,232
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 Smythesdale and Staffordshire Reef, by way of Brown's Diggings and Italian Gully	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	7		4,368
to and from Smythesdale and Ross's Creek ...	Three days a week	Horseback	4		1,248
to and from Portland and Belfast, by way of Narrawong and Yambuk	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	45		9,360
to and from Portland and Cape Bridgewater	Once a week ...	Horseback	13		1,352
to and from Belfast and Hamilton, by way of Orford, Macarthur, and Byaduk	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	52		10,816
to and from Belfast and Penshurst, by way of Kirkstall and Hawkesdale	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	40		8,320
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	Four days a week ...	Coach ...	6		2,496
to and from Terang and Mortlake, by way of Kolora ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	14		8,736
and to and from Mortlake and Hamilton, by way of Hexham, Caramut, Penshurst, Croxton East, and Hochkirch	Three days a week	Coach ...	54		16,848
to and from Geelong and Warrnambool, by way of Murgheboluc, Inverleigh, Hesse, Cressy, Lismore, Tooliorook, Darlington, Mortlake, Ellerslie, Ballengeich, Framlingham, Purnim, and Woodford	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	130		27,040
to and from Geelong and Belfast, by way of Waurn Ponds, Pettavel, Clifford, Mount Moriac, Lake Town, Winchelsea, Mount Gellibrand, Colac, Larpent, Pirron Yaloak, Stonyford, Pomborneit, Camperdown, Terang, Garvoc, Panmure, Allansford, Warrnambool, Dennington, Rosebrook, and Killarney	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	136		84,864
to and from Camperdown and Darlington	Once a week ...	Horseback	18		1,872
to and from Birregurra and Dean's Marsh ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	8		1,664
and to and from Birregurra and Murroon	Two days a week ...	Horseback	7		2,496
to and from Mount Gellibrand and Birregurra ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	4		2,496
to and from Winchelsea and Wensleydale (Wordieboluc)	Two days a week	Horseback	11		2,288
to and from Mount Duneed and Connewarre	Three days a week	Horseback	6		1,872
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 Moriac and Lake Modewarre ...	Three days a week	Horseback	7		2,184
to and from Geelong and Fyansford	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4		2,496
to and from Geelong and Point Henry, by way of East Geelong and the Breakwater	Six days a week ...	Horseback	9		5,616
to and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Geelong, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	As often as required	Vehicle ...	3½*		1,092
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Geelong now established, or any that may be opened during period of contract, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Three times a day ...	Vehicle ...	26*		8,112
also the conveyance of a letter-carrier from Geelong to Newtown	Once a day ...			13,250 0 0	
to and from Geelong and Mount Duneed, by way of Marshaltown and Germantown	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Geelong and Queenscliff, by way of Moolap, Kensington, and Wallington	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	19		11,856
to and from Portarlington and St. Leonards	Three days a week...	Horseback	7		2,184
to and from Geelong and Portarlington, by way of Curlewis, Drysdale, and Bellarine	Six days a week	Coach ...	18		11,232
to and from Geelong and Ceres, by way of Belmont and Highton	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,744

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
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 Ceres and Gnarwarre	Three days a week...	Horseback	8		2,496
to and from the Post Office and Landing-places, Queenscliff, Five shillings per trip	Thirteen trips ...	Vehicle and waggons	½	3 5 0	513
also the conveyance of English mails, Five pounds per trip	Thirteen trips ...		[1]	65 0 0	
and special mail conveyance between Geelong and Queenscliff, at per trip, Thirty shillings	Twelve trips ...		[1]	18 0 0	
to and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Wyndham	Twice a day ...	Waggon ...	2*		624
to and from Wyndham Railway Station and Derrimut, by way of Mount Cotterell	Three days a week	Horseback	8		2,496
to and from Rokewood and Break-o'-Day	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Break-o'-Day and Dereel	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4		832
to and from Cape Clear and Pittfield	Three days a week...	Horseback	3		936
to and from Rokewood and Cressy	Once a week ...	Horseback	10		1,040
to and from Beeac and Cressy, *viâ* Weering	Once a week ...	Horseback	15		1,560
to and from Hamilton and Apsley, by way of Cavendish, Balmoral, Harrow, and Edenhope	Three days a week	Coach ...	98		20,384
to and from Coleraine and Harrow, by way of Nareen and Wills' Station	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	35		7,280
with a branch to and from Nareen and Chetwynd ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	5		1,040
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 Kaladbra, *viâ* Argyle, Heathfield, and Lindsay	Three days a week	Coach ...	34		10,608
to and from Casterton and Portland, by way of Sandford, Merino, Digby, Hotspur and Heywood	Three days a week...	Coach ...	61		19,032
to and from Coleraine and Merino, by way of Tahara ...	Three days a week...	Coach ...	12		3,744
to and from Hamilton and Portland, by way of Branxholme, Condah, and Heywood	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	56		34,944
to and from Casterton and Penola, by way of Lake Mundy	Three days a week...	Coach ...	35		10,920
to and from Heywood and Dartmore, *viâ* Drik-drik and Balrook	Two days a week ...	Horseback	31		6,448
to and from Woorndoo and Lake Bolac	Two days a week ...	Horseback	12		2,496
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	Waggon ...	21*	250 0 0	6,552
For the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in the city of Melbourne now established, or any that may be opened in the course of the year, and that on Wellington parade, including the conveyance a letter-carrier	Five times a day ...	Tilbury ...	53*	2,065 0 0	16,536
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	Three times a day ...	Tilbury ...	30*		9,360
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Collingwood now established, or any that may be opened in the course of the year, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Four times a day ...	Tilbury ...	40*		12,480
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Fitzroy now established, or any that may be opened in the course of the year, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Four times a day ...	Tilbury ...			
for the conveyance of nine letter-carriers from the General Post Office to Fitzroy and Collingwood, once a day; also for the conveyance of mails to and from the General Post Office and Fitzroy and Collingwood; 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	Twice a day ...	Waggon ...	5*		1,560
for the conveyance of eight letter-carriers from the General Post Office to Hotham and Carlton	Once a day ...	Waggon	5*		1,560
also the conveyance of mails from the General Post Office to Hotham and Carlton	Three times a day ...				
and from Hotham and Carlton to the General Post Office	Twice a day ...				
to and from Melbourne and Merriang, by way of Northcote, Preston, Thomastown, Epping, and Woodstock	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	25		15,600
to and from Morang and Hazelglen	Three days a week	Horseback	4		1,248
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 ...	Horseback	6		3,744
to and from Melbourne and Dandenong, by way of Oakleigh and Spring Vale	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	21		13,104
to and from Cowes and Griffith's Point, by way of Newhaven	Three days a week...	Buggy and boat	11		3,432
For the conveyance of all mails between the General Post Office and the wharves at Melbourne and Sandridge, inclusive of the transport of the English mails, as also all mails arriving at the Port of Melbourne in transit for or from the adjacent colonies	... ...	Waggon and spring cart	40*	270 0 0	12,480

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[1] Distance previously stated.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.			Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£	s.	d.	
From Melbourne to Sandridge, by way of Emerald Hill ...	Three days a week...	Horseback and waggon	21*	95	0	0	6,552
and from Sandridge to Melbourne, by way of Emerald Hill	Four times a day ...						
including the conveyance of eight letter-carriers to and from Sandridge, Emerald Hill, and Melbourne	Once a day ...						
From Melbourne to Prahran, by way of South Yarra ...	Three times a day ...	Cab and waggon	24*	126	0	0	7,488
and from Prahran to Melbourne, by way of South Yarra	Four times a day ...						
including the conveyance of eight letter-carriers from and to Prahran and Melbourne	Once a day ...						
To and from South Yarra and Malvern, by way of Toorak...	Twice a day ...	Car ...	3	95	8	0	3,744
From Melbourne to Richmond	Three times a day ...	Cab ...					
and from Richmond to Melbourne	Four times a day ...	Cab ...	17*				5,304
including the conveyance of five letter-carriers from and to Richmond and Melbourne	Once a day ...	Cab ...					
to and from Richmond and Kew, by way of Lower Hawthorn	Twice a day ...	Cab ...	3				3,744
to and from Lilydale and Hoddle's Creek, by way of Wandon Yaloak and Launching-place	Once a week ...	Horseback	35	480	0	0	4,680
and to and from Hoddle's Creek and Warburton ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	10				
to and from Lilydale and Yarra Flats, by way of The Lodge and St. Hubert's	Three days a week...	Horseback	10				3,120
to and from Hawthorn and Ballyshanassy, by way of Camberwell and Hartwell	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3				1,872
to and from Kew and Warrandyte, by way of Doncaster	Six days a week ...	Horseback	12				7,488
To and from Melbourne and St. Kilda	Twice a day ...	Cab ...	14*	96	0	0	4,368
including the conveyance of six letter-carriers to and from Melbourne and St. Kilda	Once a day ...	Cab ...					
To and from St. Kilda and Caulfield	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½	32	0	0	1,560
To and from Melbourne and Bulla, by way of Flemington, Moonee Ponds, Essendon, Tullamarine, and Oaklands Junction	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	21	150	0	0	13,104
with a branch mail to and from Mickleham, by way of Greenvale and Broadmeadows	Six days a week ...	Coach ...					
To and from Melbourne and Heidelberg, by way of Alphington	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	8				9,984
to and from Heidelberg and Templestowe	Once a day ...	Horseback	2	350	0	0	1,248
to and from Melbourne and Eltham	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	14				8,736
and to and from Eltham and St. Andrew, by way of Kangaroo Ground	Three days a week...	Coach ...	15				4,680
To and from Box Hill and Forest Hill	Three days a week...	Horseback	4	28	0	0	1,248
To and from Melbourne and Brunswick	Twice a day ...	Cab ...	16*	60	0	0	4,992
and to and from Brunswick and Coburg	Once a day ...	Cab ...					
To and from Coburg and Campbellfield	Six days a week ...	Horseback	5	55	0	0	3,120
To and from Footscray Railway Station and Braybrook, by way of Footscray Post Office and Maidstone	Six days a week ...	Horseback	5	22	8	0	3,120
To and from Dandenong and Berwick	Six days a week ...	Horseback	9	48	0	0	5,616
To and from Berwick and Narree Warren, by way of Harkaway	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	30	0	0	3,744
To and from Dandenong and Cranbourne, by way of Lyndhurst and South Lyndhurst	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	9	84	0	0	5,616
to and from Cranbourne and the Clyde	Three days a week...	Horseback	5				1,560
To and from Dromana and Sorrento, by way of Rye ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	18				5,616
to and from Dromana and Flinders, by way of Boneo and Cape Schanck	Three days a week...	Horseback	23	130	0	0	7,176
to and from Dromana and Red Hill	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4				832
To and from North Brighton Railway Station and Moordialloc, *viâ* Brighton East, Brighton South, and Cheltenham	Six days a week ...	Vehicle and horseback	8	99	0	0	4,992
with a branch to and from Brighton South and Gipsy Village	Six days a week ...	Vehicle and horseback	2¾				1,716
To and from Elsternwick Railway Station and the Post Office, Elsternwick	Six days a week ...	Foot ...	½	8	0	0	312
To and from East Brighton and Jasper Road	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2	25	0	0	1,248
To and from Oakleigh and Ferntree Gully, by way of Mulgrave	Three days a week...	Horseback	11	49	0	0	3,432
To and from Tangil and Russell's Creek	Once a week ...	Horseback	6	40	0	0	624
To and from Walhalla and Matlock, by way of Aberfeldy, Violettown, Red Jacket, and Jericho	Three days a week...	Horseback	43	251	0	0	13,416
To and from Walhalla and Donnelly's Creek, *viâ* Edward's Reef	Three days a week...	Horseback	20	200	0	0	6,240
To and from Rosedale and Walhalla, by way of Toongabbie and Happy-go-Lucky	Three days a week...	Horseback	35	216	0	0	10,920
To and from Toongabbie and Cowwarr (Upper Heyfield) ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	10	27	10	0	3,120
To and from Rosedale and Flynn's Creek	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6	26	0	0	1,248
To and from Rosedale and Port Albert, by way of Tarraville and Woodside	Three days a week...	Vehicle and horseback	45	294	0	0	14,040
To and from Port Albert and Stockyard Creek, *viâ* Alberton	Three days a week...	Horseback	35	162	10	0	10,920
To and from Port Albert and Tarraville with steamers' mails	57 trips	Horseback	8	48	0	0	399
to and from Port Albert and Yarram-yarram, by way of Alberton	Three days a week...	Horseback					2,496
To and from Sale and Port Albert, by way of La Trobe Bridge, Woodside, and Tarraville	Once a week ...	Horseback	50	56	10	0	5,200
To and from Sale and Clyde Bank	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6	29	0	0	1,248
To and from Sale and Maffra	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	15	90	0	0	9,360
To and from Maffra and Upper Maffra	Three days a week...	Horseback	8	31	10	0	2,496
To and from Sale and Glenmaggie, by way of Dennison, Heyfield, and Bald Hills	Two days a week ...	Horseback and vehicle	50	80	0	0	10,400

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			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from Stratford and Grant, by way of Hardy's, Briagolong, Stockyard, and Dargo Flat	Two days a week ...	Horseback and vehicle	70		14,560
and to and from Grant and Bulltown, by way of Talbotville	Once a week ...	Horseback and vehicle	7		728
to and from Bairnsdale and Delegate, by way of Bruthen, Murrindale, Buchan, Gelantipy, Deduc, Tibbutt, Cobanandra, Bonang, and Bendoc	Once a week ...	Horseback and vehicle	130	645 10 0	13,520
to and from Bairnsdale and Omeo, by way of Bruthen, Ensay, and Swift's Creek, with a branch to and from Swift's Creek Turn Off, and Tongio	Once a week ...	Horseback and vehicle	78		8,112
To and from Bairnsdale and Coongulmerang	Three days a week...	Horseback and vehicle	6	37 10 0	1,872
To and from Bairnsdale and Deptford, by way of Store Creek and Boggy Creek	Two days a week ...	Horseback	16	49 16 0	3,328
To and from Bairnsdale and Bruthen	Once a week ...	Horseback	16	12 0 0	1,664
To and from Bruthen and Cunningham (Lakes Entrance)...	Once a week ...	Horseback	14	14 10 0	1,456
To and from Omeo and Snowy Creek, by way of Wombat and Merrimae	Once a week ...	Horseback	55	94 0 0	5,720
To and from Upper Dargo and Omeo	Once a week ...	Horseback	32	103 0 0	3,328
To and from Harrietville and Grant, by way of Upper Dargo	Once a week ...	Horseback	51	200 0 0	5,304
To and from Bright and Harrietville, by way of Freeburgh	Three days a week...	Horseback	45	101 0 0	14,040
To and from Kiewa and Kergunyah	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6	39 0 0	1,248
To and from Wodonga Railway Station and Albury, by way of Wodonga Post Office	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	2	200 0 0	2,496
To and from Barnawartha Railway Station and Post Office	Four times a day ...	Horseback	½	45 0 0	1,248
To and from Barnawartha and Yackandandah, by way of South Barnawartha and North Wooragee	Three days a week...	Coach ...	18	91 0 0	5,616
To and from Barnawartha Post Office and North Barnawartha	Three days a week...	Horseback	6	45 0 0	1,872
To and from Chiltern Railway Station and Post Office ...	Three times a day ...	Vehicle ...	½	104 0 0	936
To and from Wangaratta and Glenrowan	Three days a week...	Horseback	11	78 0 0	3,432
To and from Wangaratta Railway Station and Post Office...	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	1	104 0 0	2,496
To and from Wangaratta and Estcourt...	Three days a week...	Horseback	8	39 5 0	2,496
To and from Bowman's Forest and Whorouly	Three days a week...	Horseback	3	20 0 0	936
To and from Myrtleford and Running Creek	Three days a week...	Coach ...	14	180 0 0	4,368
To and from Benalla and Cobram, by way of Major-Yaba and Katandra	Once a week ...	Horseback	50	80 0 0	5,200
To and from Benalla and Shepparton	Once a week ...	Horseback	40	60 0 0	4,160
To and from Benalla and Mansfield, by way of McKellars, Swan Pool and Barjarg, with a branch to and from Swan Pool and Samaria	Once a week ...	Horseback	46	70 0 0	4,784
To and from Benalla and Winton	Three days a week...	Horseback	6	38 0 0	1,872
To and from Benalla Post Office and Railway Station ...	Four times a day ...	Horseback	1	55 0 0	2,496
To and from Major Plains and Dookie South	Once a week ...	Horseback	6	35 0 0	624
and from Benalla Station and Dookie South	Once a week ...	Horseback	7		728
To and from the Post Office, Violettown, and Railway Station	Four times a day ...	Horseback	1¼*	35 0 0	390
To and from Post Office, Euroa, and Railway Station ...	Four times a day ...	Horseback	¾	79 0 0	1,872
To and from Marysville and Alexandra, by way of Buxton and Little River	Three days a week...	Horseback	25	100 0 0	7,800
To and from Doon and Dry Creek	Twice a week ...	Horseback	7	16 5 0	1,456
To and from Mansfield and Delatite	Once a week ...	Horseback	7	20 0 0	728
To and from Wood's Point and Gooley's Creek	Two days a week ...	Horseback	2	17 15 0	416
To and from Darlingford and Enoch's Point	Three days a week...	Horseback	18	155 0 0	5,616
To and from Railway Station and Post Office, Avenel ...	Four times a day ...	On foot ...	1	54 0 0	2,496
To and from Railway Station and Post Office, Seymour ...	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	1	50 0 0	2,496
To and from Seymour and Nagambie, by way of Tabilk ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	13	200 0 0	8,112
and to and from Nagambie and Murchison, by way of Wahring and Dargalong	Three days a week...	Coach ...	17		5,304
To and from Murchison and McMillan's (Arcadia Station), by way of Kearney's Hotel, Pethybridge's, Castle Creek, and Spencer's Farm	Two days a week ...	Horseback	20	23 0 0	4,160
To and from Murchison and Mooroopna	Three days a week...	Horseback	21	88 0 0	6,552
To and from Mooroopna and Shepparton	Two days a week ...	Horseback	2½	30 0 0	520
To and from Tallarook Post Office and Railway Station ...	Four times a day ...	Horseback	2½*	40 0 0	780
To and from the Railway Station and the Post Office, Broadford	Four times a day ...	Horseback	2*	30 0 0	624
To and from Broadford and Reedy Creek, by way of Lower Reedy Creek	Three days a week...	Horseback	16	96 0 0	4,992
To and from the Railway Station and the Post Office, Kilmore	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	2½	50 0 0	6,240
To and from Kilmore and Heathcote, by way of Pyalong and Toolorac	Three days a week...	Coach ...	30	270 0 0	9,360
To and from Kilmore and Lancefield, by way of Springfield	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	24	110 0 0	14,976
with a branch mail to and from Goldie	Six days a week ...	Coach ...			
To and from the Railway Station and the Post Office, Wallan-wallan	Four times a day ...	On foot ...	2	120 0 0	4,992
to and from Wallan-wallan and Darraweit Guim	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,744
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Beveridge ...	Twice a day ...	Horseback	1¼	12 0 0	1,560
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Donnybrook	Twice a day ...	Horseback	2	14 0 0	2,496
To and from Mount Blackwood and Pentland Hills, by way of Greendale	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	20	205 0 0	12,480
To and from Ballan and Blakeville	Three days a week...	Horseback	7	55 0 0	2,184
To and from Gordon's and Ormond	Three days a week...	Horseback	5	45 0 0	1,560
To and from Melton and Rockbank	Two days a week ...	Horseback	10	40 0 0	2,080
To and from Echuca and Ulupna, by way of Lower Moira, Kotupna, Karimba, and Ulupna West	Once a week ...	Horseback	50	176 0 0	5,200
To and from Echuca and Wharparilla	Two days a week ...	Horseback	10	33 0 0	2,080

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To and from Echuca and Torrumbarry...	Once a week ...	Horseback	15	49 0 0	1,560
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Rochester	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	1	85 0 0	1,248
To and from Rochester and Terrick-terrick, by way of Panamabawn, Forestol's (Pine Grove), and Mittiami	Two days a week ...	Horseback	38	110 19 0	7,904
To and from Seymour and Rushworth, by way of Graytown, Coy's Diggings, and Whroo	Three days a week...	Coach ...	40		12,480
to and from Heathcote and Graytown, by way of Costerfield and Redcastle	Three days a week...	Coach ...	25		7,800
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 Strathfieldsaye	Three days a week...	Horseback	7		2,184
to and from Sandhurst and Raywood, by way of Long Gully, California Gully, Eaglehawk, Myers' Flat, and Whipstick	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	22		13,728
to and from Inglewood and Powlett Plains	Once a week ...	Horseback	18	2,169 11 6	1,872
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 Towaninnie, by way of Glenloth and Wycheproof	Once a week ...	Horseback	30		3,120
to and from St. Arnaud and Yowen Hill Post Office, by way of Yowong, Springs	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	30		6,968
with a branch to and from Nicholl's Station and Conover	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	3½		
to and from Dunolly and Berlin, by way of Inkerman, Moliagul, and McIntyre's	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	19		11,856
to and from Kyneton and Mount Blackwood, by way of Tylden, Trentham, and Newbury (Garlick's)	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	22		13,728
to and from Tylden and East Trentham	Three days a week...	Horseback	6		1,872
To and from Rushworth and Whroo	Three days a week...	Vehicle ...	11½	60 0 0	3,588
To and from Goornong Railway Station and Clare Inn, by way of the Goornong Post Office	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	8	52 0 0	4,992
and to and from Clare Inn and Toolleen	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6		1,248
To and from Sandhurst and Kangaroo Flat, by way of Golden Square	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	4	72 0 0	2,496
To and from Sandhurst and Diamond Hill, *viâ* Golden Gully	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	5	72 0 0	3,120
To and from Kangaroo Flat Post Office and Railway Station	Twice a day ...	On foot ...	1	20 0 0	1,248
To and from Shelbourne West and East Shelbourne ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	8	22 0 0	2,496
To and from Eddington and Laanecoorie	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	40 0 0	3,744
To and from Castlemaine and Harcourt, by way of Barker's Creek	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	52 0 0	3,744
To and from Castlemaine and Vaughan, by way of Campbell's Creek, Yapeen, Strathloddon, Guildford, and Tarilta	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	11	80 0 0	6,864
To and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Castlemaine	As often as required	Vehicle ...	5*	46 0 0	1,560
To and from Newstead and Clydesdale...	Three days a week...	Horseback	4	40 0 0	1,248
To and from Newstead and Strangways	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3	55 0 0	1,872
To and from Elphinstone and Sutton Grange	Three days a week...	Horseback	9	50 0 0	2,808
to and from Sutton Grange and Myrtle Creek... ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6		1,248
To and from Elphinstone and Faraday...	Three days a week...	Horseback	4	11 14 2	1,248
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	67 12 0	3,120
to and from Maldon and Welshman's Reef	Six days a week ...	Cart ...	6		3,744
To and from Muckleford and Walmer, by way of Chinaman's Creek, and extra trip from Chinaman's Creek to Muckleford on outgoing English mail days	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7½	52 0 0	4,680 52
To and from Ravenswood Railway Station and Big Hill, by way of Old Ravenswood Post Office	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4	35 0 0	2,496
To and from Kyneton and Lauriston	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	30 0 0	3,744
To and from Kyneton and Pastoria, by way of Piper's Creek	Three days a week...	Horseback	7	26 0 0	2,184
To and from Railway Station and Post Office, Kyneton ...	Six times a day ...	Car ...	16*	46 16 0	4,992
and for the clearance of the letter-boxes, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day ...				
To and from Redesdale and Lyal, by way of North Redesdale	Three days a week...	Horseback	7	29 0 0	2,184
To and from Langley and Metcalfe, by way of Green Hills	Six days a week ...	Horseback	9	60 0 0	5,616
To and from Langley and Baynton	Three days a week...	Horseback	6	19 18 0	1,872
To and from Woodend and Carlsruhe, by way of Springfield	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7	65 0 0	4,368
To and from Woodend and Lancefield, by way of Newham and Rochford	Six days a week ...	Cart ...	15	65 0 0	9,360
To and from Rochford and Hesket	Three days a week...	Horseback	3	26 0 0	936
To and from Macedon and Upper Macedon	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3	30 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 ...	Vehicle ...	2½	37 0 0	1,560
to and from Gisborne and Bullengarook	Three days a week...	Horseback	7		2,184
To and from Gisborne and Cabbage-tree	Three days a week...	Horseback	6	14 0 0	1,872
To and from Lancefield Road Railway Station and Romsey	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	10	140 0 0	12,480
and to and from Romsey and North Lancefield, by way of Lancefield	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	5		3,120
To and from Sunbury and the Gap	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4	9 19 6	2,496
To and from Diggers' Rest and Coimadai Creek, by way of Toolern	Three days a week...	Vehicle ...	10	85 0 0	3,120
To and from Elmhurst and Glenpatrick	Two days a week ...	Horseback	7	10 0 0	1,456
To and from Ararat and Opossum Gully	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	37 0 0	3,744
To and from Moyston and Watgania, by way of Kalymna...	Two days a week ...	Vehicle ...	19	48 10 0	3,952
To and from Avoca and Nattie Yallock, by way of Homebush	Three days a week...	Horseback	8	85 0 0	2,496

* Per diem.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from Beaufort and Charlton, by way of Main Lead, Waterloo, and Raglan	Three days a week ...	Horseback	9	148 0 0	2,808
to and from Beaufort and Stockyard Hill, by way of Sailor's Gully and Lake Goldsmith	Three days a week ...	Horseback	11½		3,588
To and from Burrumbeet and Bo-Peep	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4½	13 0 0	936
To and from Smeaton and Hit-or-Miss	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	145 0 0	3,744
to and from Moorookyle and Ullina	Six days a week ...	Horseback	5		3,120
To and from Creswick and Rocky Lead, by way of Dean ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	110 0 0	3,744
To and from Dunkeld and Karabeal	Two days a week ...	Horseback	9		1,872
to and from Dunkeld and Victoria Valley, by way of Dwyer's Creek	Two days a week ...	Horseback	10		2,080
to and from Hamilton and Penshurst, by way of Hochkirch and Croxton East	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	18½		3,848
to and from Woodford and Winslow, *viâ* Yangery ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	12		2,496
to and from the Landing-place and Post Office, Warrnambool	As often as required, being 356 trips	Vehicle ...	1¼		909
to and from Allansford and Nirranda, by way of Mepunga	Once a week ...	Horseback	10		1,040
to and from Camperdown and Lismore, *viâ* Taaraak and Foxhow	Twice a week ...	Horseback	30		6,240
to and from Killarney and Crosslay	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	3	998 17 6	1,872
to and from Crossley and Koroit	Four days a week ...	Vehicle ...	3		1,248
to and from Camperdown and Cobden	Three days a week ...	Horseback	10		3,120
to and from Pirron Yaloak and Carpendeit, by way of Irrewillipe	Once a week ...	Horseback	10		1,040
to and from Stonyford and Terang, by way of McKenzie's farm, Colantet, Jancourt, Cobden, and Elingamite	Once a week ...	Horseback	39		4,056
to and from Cobden and Port Campbell	Once a week ...	Horseback	25		2,600
to and from Beeac and Cammel Springs (Tea-tree), Warrion	Once a week ...	Horseback	3		312
to and from Colac and Beeac	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	7		4,368
to and from Beeac and Cundare	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	6		1,248
to and from Birregurra and Middleton (Apollo Bay), by way of Silk's saw-mills	Once a fortnight ...	Horseback	60		3,120
To and from Cranbourne and the Bass, by way of Corinella	Two days a week ...	Horseback	54	83 17 6	11,232
To and from Springs Railway Station and Bontherambo ...	Four times a day ...	Horseback	½	50 0 0	1,248
To and from Moyhu and Upper King River (Izzard's) ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	13	30 0 0	1,352
To and from Violettown and Kialla, by way of Costello's and Keady's	Once a week ...	Horseback	20	52 0 0	2,080
To and from Corop and Runnymede	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	13	91 0 0	8,112
To and from Spring Gully and Fryerstown, including the clearance of the receiving-box at Church's Flat ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2		1,248
to and from Castlemaine and Chewton	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	2	165 10 0	2,496
including the clearance of the letter-boxes at Chewton ...	Six days a week ...				
to and from Chewton and Glenluce, by way of Fryerstown	Six days a week ...	Horseback	10		6,240
to and from Golden Point and Chewton	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	1½		936
To and from Lauriston and Spring Hill	Three days a week ...	Horseback	4	34 19 0	1,248
To and from Echuca and Mooroopna, by way of Wyuna Station	Once a week ...	Horseback	45	105 10 0	4,680
To and from Casterton and Brimboal	Two days a week ...	Horseback	18	50 0 0	3,744
To and from Casterton and Dergholm, by way of Roseneath	Two days a week ...	Horseback	20	60 0 0	4,160
To and from Morrison's and Bungeltap (McIntosh's) ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6	28 0 0	1,248
To and from Sebastopol and Magpie	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3	30 0 0	1,872
To and from Dean's Marsh and Lorne	Two days a week ...	Horseback	19	26 0 0	3,952
To and from Springhurst and Wahgunyah, by way of Rutherglen	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15	40 0 0	9,360
To and from Benalla and Dookie South, *viâ* Devenish ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	24	38 0 0	2,496
To and from Avenel and Nagambie, by way of Tabilk ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	10	44 10 0	6,240
To and from Melbourne and Northcote...	Six days a week ...	Car ...	4	42 0 0	2,496
For the clearance of nine letter-boxes at Emerald Hill ...	Three times a day ...	Car ...	18*	39 0 0	5,616
To and from Wangaratta and Beechworth, by way of Tarrawingee, from 1st July 1874 to 30th June 1875	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	30	75 0 0	18,720
To and from Duck Ponds and Euroa, from 1st July 1874 to 30th June 1875	Three days a week ...	Horseback	5	40 0 0	1,560
To and from Toolamba and Rushworth, by way of Morrison's, Baldwin's, Cryer's, Whim Tatura, and Edney's, from 1st July 1874 to 30th June 1875	Once a week ...	Horseback	31	75 0 0	3,224
To and from Allansford and Tallangatta, from 1st July 1874 to 30th June 1875	Once a week ...	Horseback	5½	10 0 0	572
To and from Dromana and Flinders, by way of Boneo and Cape Schanck	Once a week ...	Horseback	23	38 0 0	2,392
To and from Lilydale and Yarra Flats	Three days a week...	Horseback	10	80 0 0	3,120
For clearance of letter-boxes at Stawell, including conveyance of letter-carrier	Twice daily ...	Tilbury ...	4¼*	60 0 0	1,071
For clearance of receiving-box at Church's Flat, and conveyance of letters to and from Post Office, Fryerstown	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2	20 0 0	408
To and from Ceres and Gnarwarre	Three days a week ...	Horseback	8	30 0 0	2,496
To and from Melbourne and North Brighton	Six days a week ...	Railway ...	7½	52 0 0	4,680
To and from Melbourne and Brighton	Twice a day ...	Railway ...	7½	200 0 0	9,360
and for clearance of receiving-boxes at Balaclava, Elsternwick, Bay street, and Brighton Beach Railway Station, and conveyance of letters from these stations to Melbourne	Twice a day ...				
To and from Melbourne and Richmond...	Three times a day ...	Railway ...	1½	52 0 0	2,808
Clearance of receiving-box at Middle Brighton Station, and conveying letters, &c., to Melbourne	Twice a day ...	Railway ...	...[1]	25 0 0	...
Clearance of three receiving-boxes at Brunswick	Six days a week ...	On foot ...	3*	30 0 0	936

* Per diem.

[1] Distance previously stated.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
Clearance of receiving-box at Pascovale	Six days a week ...	On foot ...	1*	12 0 0	312
Clearance of receiving-box at Coburg	Daily	On foot ...	1*	10 0 0	312
Clearance of five receiving-boxes at South Yarra... ...	Three times a day ...	On foot and cab	10*	63 0 0	3,120
and conveyance of English mail from Toorak and South Yarra to Melbourne	Monthly				
To and from Hawthorn Post Office and Receiving-house, Lower Hawthorn	Twice a day ...	On foot ...	3*	40 0 0	936
and for clearance of two receiving-boxes in Lower Hawthorn	Twice a day ...				
Conveyance of mail from Footscray Post Office to Railway Station	Six days a week ...	On foot ...	½	10 0 0	138
From Brighton to St. Kilda	Six days a week ...	Spring cart	4	20 0 0	1,632
Clearing receiving-box, Arthur's Seat road	Daily	On foot ...	3*	10 0 0	612
To and from the Post Office, East Brighton, and the Railway Station, North Brighton	Six days a week ...	Horseback	¾	10 0 0	468
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Maryborough, from 7th July	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	½	38 9 3	1,248
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Newstead	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	1	76 18 6	2,496
and to and from Newstead and Joyce's Creek, from 7th July	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	4		2,496
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Carisbrook, from 7th July	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	2½*	47 4 6	780
To and from Carisbrook and Moolort, from 7th July ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	5½	70 16 9	3,432
Clearance of five receiving-boxes at South Yarra, from 7th July	Once a day additional	On foot ...	...	15 7 8	1,000
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Guildford, from 13th July	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	½	50 8 6	1,248
To and from Chiltern and Doma Mungi, from 1st August	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2¾	45 13 6	1,584
Increased mileage consequent on alterations in mail times, from 7th July	... ...	...	...	25 12 10	...
To and from Horsham and Minyip, by way of Longerenong, Green Hills, Murtoa, and Lal Lat, from 15th July	Two days a week ...	Horseback	46	186 12 6	8,832
Calling at Major Plains Post Office, *en route* to and from Benalla and Dookie South, from 23rd July	Once a week ...	Horseback	3	9 8 2	156
To and from Pirron Yaloak and Carpendeit, *viâ* Irrewillipe, once a week; in lieu of to and from Stonyford and Carpendeit, once a week, from 1st July	Once a week ...	Horseback	10	26 0 0	1,040
To and from Wedderburn and Boort, by way of Wychetella, from 1st August	Once a week ...	Horseback	28	47 2 6	2,912
For the clearance of the letter-boxes in East and West Melbourne, from 7th July to 10th August	Once a day additional	Tilbury ...	17*	6 13 5	510
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Creswick, to 3rd September	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	3*	4 17 1	162
To and from Echuca and Torrumbarry, from 12th August	Once a week ...	Horseback	14	43 9 4	1,288
To and from Ballarat and Sulky Gully, by way of Mount Rowan, from 1st August	Six days a week ...	Horseback	8	95 8 6	4,608
To and from Ballarat and Cardigan, from 1st August ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	92 11 5	3,456
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Burrumbeet, from 11th August	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	½	34 14 3	1,104
To and from Beaufort and Stawell West, by way of Euramboen, Shirley, Buangor, Dobie's Bridge, Ararat, Armstrong's, Great Western, and Stawell, from 11th August	Six days a week [1] ...	Coach ...	48	1,023 0 9	26,496
To and from Birregurra and Dean's Marsh, from 20th August	Once a week ...	Horseback	10	13 10 0	900
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Trawalla, from 11th August	Four times a day ...	Horseback	½	26 13 10	552
Addition to Contract No. 835, consequent on alteration in mail times, from 7th July	... ...	Horseback	...	11 16 1	...
Deviation consequent on conveyance of loose bag to and from Murgheboluc State School, from 13th August	Four days a week ...	Horseback	12 [2]	8 16 10	552
Conveyance of an additional letter-carrier to and from Gardiner's Creek Road and Melbourne	... ...	Car ...	...	15 13 0	...
To and from Daylesford and Bullarto, by way of Musk Creek, from 1st September	Two days a week ...	Horseback	8½	27 0 0	1,462
Deviation conveyance of loose bag to and from Talgarno, from 1st September	Once a week ...	Horseback	3	21 12 10	312
To and from Beeac and Camel Springs, from 1st September	Two days a week ...	Horseback	3	20 0 0	516
To and from Birregurra and Murroon, from 3rd September	Once a week ...	Horseback	5	9 18 8	430
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Creswick, from 4th September	Three times a day ...	Car ...	2¼*	30 0 0	567
Deviation consequent on conveying mails by way of Happy Valley, Dean, from 24th September	Six days a week ...	Horseback	1½	10 15 5	720
To and from Melbourne, Footscray, and Williamstown ...	Twice a day ...	Vict. Railw.	9¼		11,544
to and from Melbourne, Geelong, and Ballarat ...	Three times a day ...	Vict. Railw.	100½		187,668
to and from Melbourne and Sandhurst	Three times a day ...	Vict. Railw.	100¾		188,604
to and from Sandhurst and Echuca	Twice a day ...	Vict. Railw.	55¼		68,952
to and from Melbourne and Wodonga	Twice a day ...	Vict. Railw.	187		233,376
to and from Ballarat and Creswick, from 1st August ...	Twice a day ...	Vict. Railw.	11½		14,352
to and from Ballarat and Beaufort, from 11th August 1874	Twice a day ...	Vict. Railw.	28½	11,000 0 0	31,464
to and from Creswick and Clunes, from 16th November 1874	Twice a day ...	Vict. Railw.	11¼		5,130
to and from Castlemaine and Maryborough, from 7th July 1874	Twice a day ...	Vict. Railw.	34		41,616
to and from Maryborough and Dunolly, from 21st September 1874	Twice a day ...	Vict. Railw.	13½		12,960
to and from Clunes and Maryborough, from 2nd February 1875	Twice a day ...	Vict. Railw.	19¾		9,954

* Per diem. [1] Additional daily mail to and from Stawell. [2] Per week.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from Stanley and Hurdle Flat, from 19th September 1874	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½	29 11 8	2,400
To and from Wangaratta and Cobram, by way of Kilawarra, Peechelba, Bondalong, Yarrawonga, and Burramine, from 17th October	Once a week ...	Horseback	60	64 1 11	4,440
To and from St. Arnaud and Donald, from 6th October ...	Once a week ...	Coach ...	25	46 3 1	1,900
To and from Benalla and Hill Plain, by way of Rowan's Swamp, from 16th October	Once a week ...	Horseback	38	73 16 1	2,812
To and from Wharparilla and Terrick-terrick, from 7th October	Two days a week ...	Horseback	17½	38 3 2	2,660
To and from Maryborough and Dunolly *viâ* Havelock and Bet-bet, from 21st September to 5th October	Once a day ...	Coach ...	14	11 18 10	336
Deviation consequent on Burnt Creek Office being supplied in connection with Castlemaine and Dunolly service, from 21st September	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	4	38 9 6	1,920
To and from Gong-gong and Brown Hills, from 14th September	Six days a week ...	Horseback	1½	20 14 3	738
To and from Lower Reedy Creek and Strath Creek, from 14th September	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4½	19 2 8	738
To and from Railway Station and Post Office, Dunolly, from 6th October	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	½	37 6 6	912
To and from Brunswick and Coburg, from 8th October ...	Once a day ...	Car ...	2½	17 10 11	1,140
To and from Castlemaine and Campbell's Creek, from 8th October	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	2	32 13 1	912
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Bet-bet, from 6th October	Four times a day ...	Horseback	½	22 19 5	920
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Havelock, from 6th October	Four times a day ...	Horseback	½*	22 19 5	920
To and from Geelong and Queenscliff, from 1st November to 30th April	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	20	78 0 0	6,240
To and from Yarra Flats and Eltham, *viâ* Kangaroo Ground	Three days a week ...	Horseback	17	76 13 4	3,570
and to and from the Yarra Flats and Kangaroo Ground, by way of Christmas Hill, from 1st November	Three days a week ...	Horseback	12		2,520
To and from Oxley Plains and Hurdle Creek, from 1st November	Two days a week ...	Horseback	7	20 0 0	980
To and from Strathfieldsaye and Mandurang, from 10th November	Three days a week ...	Horseback	5	33 7 4	1,020
Consequent on alteration in mail times Stonyford and Terang service, from 13th November	... ...	...	...	15 4 0	...[1]
To and from Shepparton and Dookie South, by way of Sempton's Store and Pine Lodge, from 24th November	Once a week ...	Horseback	24	28 18 8	1,488
To and from Creswick and Maryfield, by way of Glendonald, from 16th November	Six days a week ...	Horseback	8	48 13 10	3,168
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Clunes, from 16th November	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	5*	40 2 7	990
To and from Baringhup and Nuggety Reef, from 7th December	Six days a week ...	Cart ...	6	34 0 7	1,800
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Glenrowan, from 1st January 1875	Four times a day ...	Horseback	¼	10 8 0	312
To and from Rushworth and Toolamba, *viâ* Morrison's, Baldwin's, Cryers, Whim Tatura, and Edneys, from 27th January	Once a week ...	Horseback	31	28 4 8	1,364
To and from Wodonga and Green Hills, from 1st March ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	3	7 10 0	204
To and from Powlett Plains and Wychetella, by way of Boort, from 6th February	Once a week ...	Horseback	32	48 4 3	1,344
Consequent on alteration in mail times Upper Macedon service, from 22nd January	... ...	...	...	6 13 0	...[1]
To and from Talbot and Dunach, from 3rd February ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3½	22 0 0	882
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Talbot, from 2nd February 1875	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	3*	15 15 0	378

* Per diem.

[1] Mileage and distance previously stated.

NOTE.—Computed upon mileage and cost of accepted tenders for mail services 1874-75.

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