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REPORT.

No change in the law relating to the Post Office and Telegraph Department was made during the year 1877 ; the rates and fees chargeable in both divisions of the service remained, therefore, the same as upon publication of the last Annual Report. The several sources of revenue continue, however, to show a steady advance, and the increase in the general business of the department will be found to be proportionate to that of preceding years.

Towards the end of the year a renewed endeavor was made to conclude a postal convention with the United States for the transmission of direct mails between Melbourne and San Francisco, under an arrangement similar to that entered into by the Government of New South Wales. As Mr. George Collins Levey, Secretary to the Commissioners for the Paris Exhibition, was about to visit America, that gentleman was requested, on behalf of the Victorian Government, to bring the matter specially under the notice of the Postmaster-General, Washington. The result of the negotiation was satisfactory, a postal convention being agreed upon, subject to ratification by the Victorian Government, for a direct exchange of correspondence between Victoria and the United States, and for the transmission of closed mails from Victoria through the United States to other countries.

A copy of the convention will be found in the Appendix to this Report. (See pages 37 and 38.)

Arrangements are in progress for the establishment of the Post Office Money Order system between Victoria and the United States and Canada, on the same basis as the system which is at present in force between those countries and the United Kingdom ; and the business will be commenced as soon as the necessary preliminaries have been completed.

Further correspondence has taken place respecting the proposal that Victoria (and the other Australian colonies) should join the International Postal Union, under the conditions of the arrangement concluded at Berne on the 27th January 1876. As, however, it was estimated that a loss of revenue to the extent of £1,500 per annum would be occasioned to this colony under the proposed arrangement, and as the Ocean Mail Services connecting with Australia will probably undergo important modifications within the next few years, it was deemed, after due consideration, inadvisable, at least until termination of the present mail contract, to join the International Union.

Early in the year a proposal was received from the Director-General of the Post Office of India, for the extension to Victoria of the Parcel Post system already existing between Europe and that country ; and a proposition upon the same subject was subsequently submitted by the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, through whose agency parcels are proposed to be conveyed to the port of destination, and thence delivered through the Post Office. An alteration in the Customs Law is necessary before the system could be introduced into this colony, the subject has therefore been deferred with a view to the sanction of the Legislature being obtained, when the conditions under which the Post Office Department will be prepared to conduct the business in question will be notified.

With a view to the establishment of a through Ocean Mail Service *viâ* the Cape, which should alternate with that *viâ* Suez, and thereby secure to this colony practically a fortnightly mail, the Agent-General in London was instructed to advertise for tenders for a four-weekly Mail Service to Melbourne direct, by vessels of about 4,000 tons, and full horse-power ; the voyage to be made in forty days or less, an additional subsidy being paid for thirty-eight, thirty-seven, thirty-six, and thirty-five

days respectively ; accommodation to be provided for all classes of passengers at moderate rates, and the contract to be for five years.

No acceptable offer was, however, received, and the Agent-General has been requested to consider the question still open until he receives definite instructions.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Revenue.

The gross Postal Revenue for the years 1876 and 1877 was, including commission on Money Orders and excluding fractions—

1876	...	...	...	£170,891
1877	...	...	...	183,198

showing an increase of £12,307, or $7\frac{1}{5}$ per cent.

The gross Telegraph Revenue for 1876 and 1877 was—

1876	...	...	...	£52,467
1877	...	...	...	57,429

showing an increase of £4,962, or $9\frac{2}{5}$ per cent.

The total Postal and Telegraph Revenue for 1877 amounted to £240,627, against £223,359 for 1876, showing an increase of £17,268, or $7\frac{7}{10}$ per cent.

Expenditure.

The net cost of the Department for the year 1877 was £95,467, against £98,299 for the year 1876, showing a saving of £2,832.

The gross expenditure of the Department for the year 1877, including collections on account of other Governments and commission to licensed vendors of postage stamps, amounted to £336,095, against £321,658 for the year 1876, showing an increase of £14,437 (of which £8,659 was on account of salaries, wages, and contingencies), or about $4\frac{1}{3}$ per cent.

Deducting from this latter amount increments and other allowances fixed by the Civil Service Act and Regulations, the sum actually expended for salaries, wages, and contingencies, in excess of the expenditure under the same heads for the year 1876, amounted to £5,942.

The following is a statement of the Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1877:—

REVENUE.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	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	183,198	2 10	Salaries and wages, occasional assistance, and overtime	154,285	3 2
Electric telegraph collections, including amount collected on account of other colonies and the Tasmania Submarine Cable Company	57,429	4 10	Contingencies*	29,622	3 5
Deficit	95,467	17 9	Commission to licensed vendors of postage stamps	3,295	3 11
			Mail service (inland), including landing and shipping mails	107,368	3 11
			Gratuities to masters of vessels	1,958	0 5
			Estimated amount of postal collections on account of other Governments	2,800	0 0
			Steam postal communication with Great Britain <i>via</i> Suez, San Francisco, and Torres Straits†	36,009	5 3
			Electric telegraph collections on account of Tasmanian Submarine Cable Company	909	0 1
			Account of New South Wales	478	18 6
				1,387	18 7
			Due by other colonies	630	13 3
				757	5 4
	336,095	5 5		336,095	5 5

* The sum of £21,939 6s. 10d. has also been expended on telegraph lines—formerly borne by the Public Works vote.

† 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 £35,000 per annum.

STATEMENT 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 1876 and 1877 respectively.

Number of Post Offices.	Years.	Inland Letters, including Official Corre- spondence and Post Cards.	SHIP LETTERS.				Total Letters.	Increase 1877 over 1876.	
			Despatched.		Received.				
			Colonial.	British and Foreign.	Colonial.	British and Foreign.			
1876.—886 1877.—948	1876	16,000,000	717,049	664,051	1,040,700	541,703	18,963,503	} 9½ per cent.	
	1877	18,000,000	790,904	488,053	1,175,618	456,383	20,910,958		
	Years.	Inland Packets.	SHIP PACKETS.				Total Packets.	Increase 1877 over 1876.	
			Despatched.		Received.				
			Colonial.	British and Foreign.	Colonial.	British and Foreign.			
	1876.—886 1877.—948	1876	1,690,000	83,873	22,899	25,890	86,729	1,909,391	} 32½ per cent.
		1877	2,280,000	100,494	28,979	35,424	83,007	2,527,904	
	Years.	Inland Newspapers.	SHIP NEWSPAPERS.				Total Newspapers.	Increase 1877 over 1876.	
			Despatched.		Received.				
			Colonial.	British and Foreign.	Colonial.	British and Foreign.			
	1876.—886 1877.—948	1876	6,130,000	625,539	585,643	519,640	1,149,325	9,010,147	} 8½ per cent.
		1877	7,000,000	638,696	607,346	556,403	1,006,619	9,809,064	
Number of letters registered in Victoria in 1876 177,598									
Ditto ditto 1877 196,866									
} Increase 1877 over 1876, 10½ per cent.									

DEAD AND IRREGULARLY POSTED LETTERS.

RETURN showing the Number of Letters, &c., received and dealt with in the Dead Letter Office during the Year 1877.

Year.	Received.				How dealt with.		
	Unclaimed.		Irregularly Posted.	Total.	Returned, Delivered, &c.	Destroyed and on Hand.	Total.
	Victorian.	Intercolonial and Foreign.					
1877	112,463	13,846	18,567	144,876	128,291	16,585	144,876

NOTE.—One thousand one hundred and forty-three (1,143) registered letters are included in the total number, 187 of which contained enclosures of value (amount shown below), 12 covered articles, and 944 were without valuable contents, or the value thereof was not known to the Department. Twenty-two (22) ordinary letters also contained articles of value. Seven letters with articles enclosed on hand at close of year. One hundred and eight (108) letters (including fifty-one post cards) were posted during the year with obscene or libellous addresses. One thousand three hundred and one (1,301) of the "Irregularly Posted" letters were without address or but imperfectly addressed, and could not in consequence be sent to the intended destinations. Some of them contained value. The remainder under this heading were *Unpaid*, including 934 valentines. One hundred and thirty-seven (137) letters were ascertained to bear wrong addresses, and fifty-two of these covered enclosures to the value of over £700, and seven articles. One hundred and fifty-three (153) envelopes without correspondence covered value to over £3,700, and 73 articles. Two thousand one hundred and seventy-seven (2,177) letters were "refused" by the persons addressed. Many of these also contained value. In addition to above number of letters, 9,214 packets and 13,965 newspapers were received in Dead Letter Office.

RETURN showing the Number of Registered and Unregistered Letters containing Value received and dealt with in the Dead Letter Office during the Year 1877.

Year 1877.	Received.						How dealt with.					
	Registered.		Ordinary.		Total.		Returned, Delivered, &c.		Paid into the Treasury from say 95 Letters Unclaimed, 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.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Cash, Notes, and Stamps ...	123	132 6 9	639	425 9 0½	*762	557 15 9½	628	501 18 6½	95	34 16 2	39	21 1 1
Cheques, Drafts, &c. ...	64	2,661 16 6	697	12,043 8 4	†761	14,705 4 10	744	13,434 6 7	...	...	17	1,270 18 3
Totals ...	187	2,794 3 3	1,336	12,468 17 4½	1,523	15,263 0 7½	1,372	13,936 5 1½	95	34 16 2	56	1,291 19 4

* Includes £14 15s. 5d. balance unclaimed from year 1876, in 30 letters, brought forward.

† Includes £26 15s., part balance unclaimed from year 1876, in 2 letters, brought forward.

NEWSPAPERS.

Enquiries have frequently been made respecting the non-delivery of newspapers addressed to the neighboring colonies ; but in most instances it has been ascertained that the cause of detention was the payment of insufficient postage, a half-penny stamp being affixed (the rate payable within the colony), instead of a one penny stamp, chargeable on newspapers posted for transmission beyond Victoria.

Numerous complaints have also been made respecting the non-receipt of newspapers posted by friends in the United Kingdom. There is reason, however, to believe that the disappointment thus occasioned is owing in a majority of cases to non-compliance by the senders with the British postal regulations relating to newspapers addressed to the colonies, as it does not appear to be very generally known that, amongst other conditions to be observed, such newspapers must be posted *within eight days of publication* (otherwise they are chargeable with the book rates of postage), must be so folded as to admit of the title being readily inspected, and each newspaper must not exceed four ounces in weight. In the last published Report of the Postmaster-General, London, it is stated that, during the fifteen months ending 31st March 1877, the number of newspapers for places abroad detained for insufficient postage or other cause was 203,335.

NEW POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES, ETC.

Sixty-eight new Post Offices were opened in 1877 at the undermentioned places :—

Bamganie	Emu Flat	Laen	Swan Pool
Baringhup East	Fawkner	Lake Mundi	Taminick
Barrapoort	Fernihurst	Little Hampton	Terriek Terriek East
Berenboke	Fitzroy	Lysterfield	Tooradin
Boweya	Gapsted	Mooroopna North	Trainor's Lagoon
Broken Creek	Gembrook	Morwell (Railway Station)	Wangoom
Bung Bong (Railway Station)	Glenaroua	Mysia	Warragul
Bunyip (Railway Station)	Gong Gong	Narraean	Westgarth
Corack	Gundowring	Neerim	Witchipool
Dederang	Hayanmi	Noradjuha	Woodstock West
Derby	Hazelwood	Pannoo Milloo	Wooroonoke
Doon	Hinnoomungie	Portsea	Wingham
Drouin Junction	Kalkee	Redjacket	Wycheproof
Eastville	Karimba	Reefton	Yarek
Echunga	Katandra	St. Helen's	Yallook
Edgecombe	Kellalac	Samaria	Yarrowalla
	Kewell West	Strathdownie East	Yourarang
	Kinneypaniel		

The Post Offices at Boneo, Clifford, Coliban Junction, Shady Creek, Spring Gully, and Stonyford, have been closed.

The names of the following offices have been changed :—Dookie South to "Cashel ;" Elaine to "Mount Doran ;" Elaine Railway Station to "Elaine ;" Kinloch to "Tarkedia ;" La Trobe Bridge to "Longford ;" Strathfieldsaye to "Emu Creek ;" Strathfieldsaye North to "Strathfieldsaye ;" and Wycheproof to "Mount Wycheproof."

The Post Offices named below, formerly conducted by persons engaged in private business, have been transferred to the charge of the Railway Station Masters at those places :—

Moorabool

Joyce's Creek

Marong

The Post Office conducted at the Elaine Railway Station has been removed to the State school.

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

Dimboola
DromanaDurham Ox
FitzroyKerang
MurtoaRiddell's Creek
Yea

The Post Office Savings Bank opened at Murtoa, on the 1st January, was closed on the 31st July.

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

Box Hill	Deans Marsh	Karimba	Murtoa
Carlton North	Dimboola	Merrigum	Noorat
Coghill's Creek	Glenmaggie	Mitiamo	Wharparilla

Telegraphic communication has been extended to the localities named below, the duties in connection therewith being conducted at the respective Post Offices at those places :—

Bridgewater-on-	Eltham	Goornong	Pakenham
Loddon (Railway	Fitzroy	Heywood	Portsea
Station)	Flemington	Melton	Tarraville
Bulu Bulu	Glenorchy	Moe	Toorak
Cranbourne			

Telegraph Offices in connection with the Railway Circuit have been opened at the following places :—

Broadmeadows	Dunkeld	Kilmore	Tallarook
Bunyip	Keilor Road	Pakenham	Wandong
Craigieburn			

The number of Post Offices on the 31st December 1877 was 948.

The letter delivery terminating at Flinders street west has been extended, twice daily, to the locality lying between McCallum's Ferry and Halliburton's Wool Sheds.

Three deliveries daily, in lieu of two, have been effected at Abbotsford and North Fitzroy.

The letter delivery at Richmond has been extended from the Stone Crushing Works to the Yarra Bank.

The delivery at Emerald Hill has been extended to the Albert Park.

During the year, three additional receiving pillars have been erected, viz. :—one at Fitzroy, one at Richmond, and one at Hawthorn.

The postal receptacles in Melbourne and the Suburbs now number 168.

In consequence of the increase of business it has been found necessary to appoint six additional letter-carriers as follows :—Two for Melbourne, one for Prahran, one for North Collingwood, one for Toorak, and one for South Yarra.

BUILDINGS.—GENERAL POST OFFICE.

Excepting some minor alterations, no additional accommodation has been provided to meet the growing requirements of the Department, which will necessitate steps being shortly taken to effect an enlargement of the General Post Office, by completing the building in accordance with the approved design. Every available space on the ground floor is now taken up by the Mail Branch, and on ordinary occasions the staff has to work under a disadvantage in consequence of insufficient room. On arrival, however, of the English Mail, or on other occasions when there is an unusual pressure of work, the limited area available so seriously impedes the officers in their movements as to retard the despatch of mails and the delivery of letters to the public.

The question of extending the General Post Office building according to the original plan, will therefore claim early consideration.

OTHER BUILDINGS.

At Hamilton the new building has been completed, ready for occupation on 1st January 1878.

The new office at Mansfield was opened on 13th November.

The buildings in course of erection at Echuca and Maryborough will, it is expected, be ready for occupation about October next.

At Prahran, the buildings erected by the Town Council, and towards which a subsidy of £2,500 was granted by the Government for a Post and Telegraph Office, will be ready for occupation about July next.

A building has been erected at Buln Buln.

At Ararat, considerable improvements have been effected in the arrangement of the office ; and alterations, improvements, and repairs, more or less extensive, have been effected, or are in progress, at Avoca, Avenel, Bacchus Marsh, Ballarat, Beaufort, Belfast, Chiltern, Colac, Collingwood, Creswick, Dunolly, Geelong, Hexham, Jamieson, Kyneton, Port Albert, Portland, Queenscliff, Sale, Sandhurst, Smythesdale, Swan Hill, Seymour, Stawell, Wahgunyah, Walhalla, Wilson's Promontory, and Wood's Point.

An additional receiving pillar has been erected at Sandhurst.

POSTAGE STAMPS.

No new stamps have been issued during the year 1877.

One hundred and eleven new postage stamp licenses have been issued, and twenty-three revoked, making the total number at the close of the year 799, being an increase on 1876 of $12\frac{7}{10}$ per cent.

The following statement shows the denomination, number, and value of postage stamps manufactured and issued at the General Post Office during the year 1877 :—

Manufactured.			Issued.		
Denomination.	Number.	Value.	Denomination.	Number.	Value.
		£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Halfpenny stamps ...	4,114,560	8,572 0 0	Halfpenny stamps ...	5,021,358	10,461 3 3
One penny stamps ...	4,003,920	16,683 0 0	One penny stamps ...	3,969,022	16,537 11 10
One penny post cards ...	651,105	2,712 18 9	One penny post cards ...	683,447	2,847 13 11
Twopenny stamps ...	13,049,520	108,746 0 0	One penny stamped newspaper		
Twopenny stamped envelopes	58,108	484 4 8	wrappers ...	16,137	67 4 9
Twopence-farthing stamped envelopes ...	2,400	22 10 0	Twopenny stamps ...	13,844,492	115,370 15 4
Fourpenny stamps ...	240,000	4,000 0 0	Twopenny stamped envelopes...	58,083	484 0 6
Sixpenny stamps ...	396,000	9,900 0 0	Twopence-farthing stamped envelopes ...	5,832	54 13 6
Eightpenny stamps ...	132,000	4,400 0 0	Threepenny stamps ...	71,492	893 13 0
One shilling stamps ...	84,000	4,200 0 0	Fourpenny stamps ...	190,626	3,177 2 0
Two shilling stamps...	12,000	1,200 0 0	Sixpenny stamps ...	597,475	14,936 17 6
Five shilling stamps...	6,000	1,500 0 0	Eightpenny stamps ...	123,408	4,113 12 0
			Ninepenny stamps ...	3	0 2 3
			One shilling stamps ...	85,326	4,266 6 0
			One shilling stamped telegraph forms ...	624	31 4 0
			Two shilling stamps ...	13,122	1,312 4 0
			Five shilling stamps ...	5,431	1,357 15 0
Totals ...	22,749,613	162,420 13 5	Totals ...	24,685,878	175,911 18 10

INLAND MAILS.

The amount paid for conveyance of inland mails 1877 (exclusive of £22,758 18s. 3d. paid to the Department of Railways) was £82,547 15s. 9d., and the gross number of miles travelled with the mails (deducting 1,144,027 miles travelled by rail) was 3,251,013, the average cost of which was $6\frac{1}{11}$ d. per mile.

Alterations in Mail Arrangements during the Year 1877.

Mails between Sandhurst and Inglewood conveyed by train in lieu of by coach, from 1st January.

Campbell's Forest supplied through Sebastian, consequent on Swan Hill line of mail being despatched to and from Inglewood in lieu of to and from Sandhurst, from 1st January.

Additional mail between Melbourne and Briagolong from 4th January.

Mails between Melbourne and Inglewood twice daily from 13th January.

Mails between Melbourne, Bung Bong, and Adelaide Lead, three days a week, in lieu of daily, from 1st February, consequent on mail coach between Maryborough and Avoca being discontinued.

Additional mails for Mornington despatched during summer season twice a week, per steamer *Williams*.

Mails between Melbourne, Merton, Doon, and Maindample three days a week, in lieu of daily, consequent on reduction in frequency of mail service between Longwood and Mansfield; mails for and from Mansfield despatched thrice weekly *viâ* Longwood, and three days a week *viâ* Benalla, from 1st February.

Gobur mails due at Melbourne thrice weekly, in lieu of daily, consequent on reduction in frequency on Longwood and Mansfield road, from 1st February.

Mails between Melbourne, Bellevue, Newlyn, Mount Prospect, and Eganstown, twice daily, from 12th February.

Additional clearance of City letter-boxes, as also of boxes in Carlton, Hotham, Collingwood, and Fitzroy effected on the morning of Valentine's Day, 14th February.

The North-Eastern line of mails closed one hour later than formerly from 15th February, consequent on departure of train.

Mails between Melbourne and Elsternwick twice daily from 1st March, in lieu of once a day.

An additional mail from Hawthorn due at Melbourne at 10.35 a.m. from 16th March.

Mails between Melbourne and Yarraville twice daily from 15th March.

Post office accommodation provided at Sunbury Encampment from 28th March to 4th April inclusive.

An additional mail from Kew due at this office daily at 5.20 p.m. from 12th March.

Daily overland mail established between Melbourne and Adelaide on 1st April.

Mails between Melbourne and Mudgegonga twice weekly from 10th April, in lieu of once a week.

Travelling Post Office established between Geelong and Winchelsea from 2nd April.

Mails between Melbourne, Wahgunyah, and Rutherglen twice daily from 16th April.

Mails between Melbourne and Bethanga daily from 16th April, in lieu of bi-weekly.

An additional daily mail for and from Melbourne and Heidelberg from 13th April.

Thrice-weekly mail service between Rochester and Top Creek, and bi-weekly service between Top Creek and Park Plains from 1st May.

Avon Plains, Callawadda, and Banyena mails thrice weekly *viâ* Donald, and thrice weekly *viâ* Glenorchy, from 1st May.

Mails between Melbourne and Preston twice daily from 11th May.

Mails between Melbourne and Shepparton daily *viâ* Mooropna from 22nd May.

From 22nd May, Queenscliff line of mails despatched from Melbourne per first morning train, in lieu of per midday train.

From 1st June, down train for Wodonga left one hour earlier, and up train from Wodonga due in Melbourne one hour earlier.

Mails between Melbourne and Pakenham twice daily, in lieu of once daily, from 28th May.

Mails between Sale and Morwell conveyed by railway from 1st June.

Queenscliff line of mails despatched and received per midday trains between Melbourne and Geelong, from 4th June, in lieu of as heretofore.

Mails from Avon Plains, Banyena, and Callawadda due here three days a week *viâ* Glenorchy, only from 11th June.

Yackandandah and Wooragee mails despatched from Melbourne per 6.30 a.m. train, in lieu of afternoon train, from 11th June.

On the 12th June the additional thrice weekly service to Yackandandah was discontinued.

Additional mails were despatched to and received from Bridgewater-on-Loddon daily from the 21st June.

On the 1st July the daily mail service *viâ* Longwood to Mansfield, Merton, Doon, and Maindample was resumed. The despatch of these mails *viâ* Benalla was discontinued, and additional mails were forwarded from Gobur.

From the 2nd July mails from Wodonga, Beechworth, and other places in the North-Eastern district, reached Melbourne at 3.10 p.m., in lieu of 2.10 p.m., in consequence of alteration of train.

Additional mails three days a week for and from Heathcote were despatched and received *viâ* Kilmore from 27th June.

Additional mails weekly were despatched to and from Tallagaroopna, Munday, Karimba, Kotupna, Woolshed, and Barwo from the 1st July.

From the 2nd July mails for Hamilton, Portland, and other places in the Western district were conveyed by train as far as Dunkeld.

Additional mails weekly were despatched to Jordan from the 10th July.

Additional mails twice a week were forwarded to Cashel, Devenish, and Pine Lodge from 13th July.

From the same date mails from Queenscliff were received by steamer three days a week in addition to those received overland *viâ* Geelong.

Additional mails weekly were despatched to and received from Boort, Powlett Plains, Kinneypaniel, Fernihurst, and Bobinawarrah.

Mails from the Western district reached Melbourne at 11.16 p.m., in lieu of 7.45 p.m., in consequence of alteration of train time.

Owing to opening of the railway to Colac, on the 28th July mails for places in that district, and the Belfast and Warrnambool line of mails, were closed at 2 p.m. in lieu of 5.30 p.m.

From the 1st August the Ararat, Stawell, Hamilton, and Horsham lines of mails were closed in Melbourne at 5.30 p.m. in lieu of 2 p.m.

Additional mails once a week for and from Hill Plains, Yarrawonga, Rowan's Swamp, Bundalong, and Burramine from the 6th August. Extra daily mail to Colac from same date.

Additional mails weekly for and from Merrigum and Tatura from 1st September.

Further additional mails weekly for and from Bundalong, Burramine, and Yarrawonga from 21st August.

Mails from Byaduk, Orford, and Macarthur due from 1st September three times a week in lieu of daily.

The time for closing the Colac, Warrnambool, and Belfast lines of mails was on above date altered from 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

A Travelling Post Office was established on the line between Ballarat and Ararat on same date.

Additional mails weekly for and from Mount Wycheproof from 1st September.

Additional mails weekly for and from Katandra from 7th September.

Extra mails three days a week despatched to Yackandandah *viâ* Wodonga from 3rd September.

A second daily mail despatched to and from Winchelsea from the 8th September.

Additional mails for and from Kewell weekly from 1st October.

The second daily mail to Colac discontinued from same date.

Additional mails for Sydney overland despatched on Fridays *viâ* Albury from 1st October.

Mails for Kamarooka despatched and received thrice, in lieu of twice, a week from 8th October.

In consequence of opening of railway between Oakleigh and the Bunyip the Gippsland line of mails were closed at 5.30 p.m. and due in Melbourne at 10 p.m.

The additional mails three days a week to Yackandandah *viâ* Barnawartha resumed from 5th October.

Additional mails daily despatched *viâ* Ballarat to Buangor, Burrumbeet, and Trawalla, from the 6th October.

Second daily mail for and from Timor and Chinaman's Flat from 15th October.

Mails for and from Durham Ox, Jarklin, and Serpentine Creek daily, in lieu of three times a week, from the 16th October.

From the 1st November the summer mail arrangements for Queenscliff (by which a second daily mail is sent to and from that place and Kensington and Wal-lington) came into force ; also those for the Mornington line, mails from that district reaching Melbourne one hour earlier.

In consequence of the additional despatch from Queenscliff overland, the forwarding of the mails per steamer was discontinued.

From the 11th October mails from Gippsland were due at Melbourne at 11.15 p.m. in lieu of 10 p.m.

From 1st November mails for and from Ross Creek daily in lieu of thrice weekly.

The frequency of the Moutajup mail service was reduced from daily to thrice weekly on the 29th October.

A second daily mail was despatched to and from Tallarook from the 5th November.

On the 12th November a second weekly service was established with Warragul.

Mails for Beremboke, Durdidwarrah, and Mount Wallace despatched *viâ* Meredith, in lieu of *viâ* Steiglitz, from the 1st December.

Additional mails daily to and from Learmonth, Minersrest, and Mount Blowhard from 14th November.

The time for closing the Gippsland line of mails was altered from 5.30 p.m. to 5.30 a.m. from 1st December.

From the 15th December a second daily service was established between Melbourne and Mornington, and the frequency of the Frankston, Somerville, Hastings, Cowes, and Griffith's Point mail services was increased from thrice weekly to daily.

Additional mails, three days a week, were despatched to Lorne from the 10th December.

The time of the closing of mails for Heywood, Condah, Branxholme, Portland, and places beyond was altered to 5.45 a.m. from the 18th December, in consequence of the opening of the railway to Portland.

From the 24th December an additional weekly mail was forwarded to Lorne.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPHS.

Additional Wires and Extensions.

In the early part of the year the completion of the line of iron poles from Essendon to Wodonga was effected, and so far the results have been highly satisfactory.

The wires have been extended from Heidelberg to Eltham, and from Wedderburn to East Charlton, and communication also extended to Branxholme, Bridgewater, Glenorchy, Heywood, Portsea, and Toorak.

Along the railway lines, wires have been erected from Geelong to Winchelsea, Ararat to Hamilton and Portland, Oakleigh to Bunyip, Moe to Sale, Sandhurst to Eaglehawk, and between Maryborough and Clunes ; and the following are in progress, viz. :—between Bunyip and Moe, Birregurra and Colac, Clunes and Creswick, Maryborough and Avoca.

Under an arrangement with a private firm, a clock-controlling wire has been erected in the City, and availed of by nearly all the banks.

Repairs more or less extensive have been effected or are in progress on all the principal lines originally erected, the Cape Otway and Portland and Mount Gambier sections having been repoled. Temporary repairs are in progress on the Melbourne and Ballarat, and the Melbourne and Sandhurst lines, but as soon as funds are available it is proposed having both these important lines placed in thorough repair.

STATEMENT of Expenditure for Telegraph Lines, Stations, &c., for 1877.

						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Total Expenditure for Lines, Stations, &c., up to 31st December 1876						...			464,701	3	11
EXPENDITURE DURING 1877.											
Main Extension of Lines, &c., to 31st December						21,939	6	10			
New Buildings and Repairs to existing Buildings						18,603	6	3			
									40,542	13	1
CURRENT EXPENDITURE DURING 1877.										£505,243	17 0
Rent of Temporary Offices						...			£2,749	18	7

Local and Intercolonial Business.

STATEMENT showing the Victorian and Intercolonial Business for the Years 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873
1874, 1875, 1876, and 1877.

	1869.			1870.			1871.			1872.			1873.		
	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.	
* Between Victorian Stations ..	194,991	£	s. d.	363,332	£	s. d.	430,290	£	s. d.	506,617	£	s. d.	521,489	£	s. d.
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	6,686	13 11
New South Wales to Victoria ..	13,540	5,750	2 5	14,203	5,268	13 8	21,165	5,095	17 7	29,893	6,769	0 8	37,126	7,834	5 10
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
Queensland to Victoria ..	1,118	698	16 0	1,514	757	1 8	1,970	788	5 10	2,632	1,307	12 8	3,279	1,557	4 8
Victoria to South Australia ..	7,101	2,523	7 6	9,332	2,289	14 8	14,840	2,171	19 2	12,871	2,315	10 11	17,308	2,391	3 10
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
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
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

	1874.			1875.			1876.			1877.		
	Number of Private Messages.	Revenue.		Number of Private Messages.	Revenue.		Number of Private Messages.	Revenue.		Number of Private Messages.	Revenue.	
* Between Victorian Stations ..	502,623	£	s. d.	533,335	£	s. d.	580,928	£	s. d.	616,806	£	s. d.
From—												
Victoria to New South Wales ..	48,624	7,024	3 8	57,215	8,010	10 3	64,306	9,307	1 0	70,610	10,661	17 3
New South Wales to Victoria ..	51,375	7,759	6 4	62,316	8,791	18 4	71,001	9,966	4 8	78,938	10,931	8 2
Victoria to Queensland ..	5,782	1,141	10 7	7,415	1,467	14 3	8,617	1,794	14 8	10,245	2,147	2 11
Queensland to Victoria ..	7,121	1,787	7 6	9,557	2,252	14 7	10,930	2,558	15 2	13,113	2,997	10 11
Victoria to South Australia ..	17,001	2,364	5 4	19,287	3,018	2 5	21,792	3,604	13 5	24,727	4,071	3 8
South Australia to Victoria ..	18,314	2,617	7 6	21,400	3,162	8 10	24,161	3,686	3 4	27,294	4,289	17 8
Victoria to Tasmania ..	5,865	1,350	7 11	6,262	1,378	10 3	7,041	1,437	11 5	6,773	1,331	0 6
Tasmania to Victoria ..	4,666	1,732	5 11	4,862	1,673	19 0	5,593	1,847	15 0	5,777	1,897	5 10
Victoria to Western Australia ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	275	73	19 4
Western Australia to Victoria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	455	102	10 3

* 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 1877,
also Lines in progress.

VICTORIA.

Number of miles of wire erected during 1877, 987½; number of miles of line erected, 380½; total number of miles of wire, 5,199½; total number of miles of line, 2,884½; 533 miles of wire and 239 miles of line were dismantled during the year; number of miles of wire in progress, 45; number of miles of line in progress, 44; 24 new stations were opened and 4 (3 of which belonged to the Railway Circuit) were closed; total number of stations at the end of 1877, 204.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Number of miles of line erected during 1877, 1,289; total number of miles of line erected, 9,694; number of stations opened, 36; total number of stations, 202; lines in progress:—Bourke to Wentworth, Bourke to Rutherford's, Hay to Booligal, Bowning to Wagga Wagga and Murrurundi to Tamworth; additional wires are also being erected from Sydney to Newcastle, Sydney to Bathurst, and Wagga Wagga to Deniliquin.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Number of miles of line erected during 1877, 415; number of miles of wire erected, 415½; total number of miles of line, 4,061; total number of miles of wire, 5,153; number of miles of line in progress, 705½; number of miles of wire in progress, 1,031; stations opened in 1877, 15; total number of stations open at end of the year, 126.

QUEENSLAND.

Number of miles of line erected during 1877, 306; number of miles of wire, 602½; total number of miles of line erected to 31st December 1877, 5,041; total number of miles of wire, 6,489½; new stations opened in 1877, 15; total number of stations open at the end of the year, 133.

TASMANIA.

Number of miles of wire erected during 1877, 225; total number of miles of wire on 31st December 1877, 968; miles of wire in progress, 118; new stations opened, 6; total number of stations, 70.

- (3.) That in the meantime the South Australian Government be requested, on behalf of the several colonies, to urge upon the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company the necessity of keeping a repairing steamer between Banjoewangie and Port Darwin, to repair any accident to that portion of cable.
5. That having in view the serious annoyance and loss occasioned by the mutilation of messages in transmission through Java, the President of this Conference be requested, on behalf of the Australasian colonies represented, to communicate with the Secretary of State, for the purpose of obtaining permission from the Government of Netherlands-India to employ English operators on the land lines in Java.
6. That the Governments of South Australia and New South Wales be empowered to make arrangements with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company for a reduction of message tariff to six shillings per word, at a subsidy not exceeding £20,000 per annum, terminable at one year's notice; and that such subsidy be borne by the respective colonies in proportion to population—any colony to be at liberty to withdraw on like notice.
The colonies of New Zealand, Tasmania, and Western Australia refrained from voting on this resolution.
7. That the several colonies agree to allow the necessary official telegrams of H.M. ships to pass over their respective lines free of charge.
8. That the Governments of Queensland and South Australia be requested to circulate among the respective Governments the draft Bills referred to in the resolutions of the Intercolonial Conference held in Sydney, passed on the 10th February 1873, for removing the defects in the law relating to the extradition of criminals, and the absconding of debtors, with a view to the same being submitted to the respective Legislatures as early as practicable.
- (The following are the resolutions referred to :—
- “That the present state of the law in regard to the extradition of criminals escaping from one colony into another is defective. That the Government of Queensland be requested to prepare a Bill on the subject, which the representatives of the several colonies undertake—provided it is approved by their respective law officers—to endeavour to pass into law.”
- “That the present state of the law in regard to remedies to be had against absconding debtors is defective.”
- “That the Government of South Australia be requested to prepare a Bill to remedy the defects, and, subject to the approval of their respective law officers, the members of this Conference will endeavour to procure the passing of a similar Bill in their respective Legislatures.”)
9. That in the opinion of the Conference it is desirable that a uniform telegraphic code should be adopted by the several Australasian colonies.

In regard to resolution No. 4, article 1, a letter has been received from the Chief Secretary of South Australia, intimating that negotiations had been opened with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, which had resulted in a proposal being submitted to lay a second cable from Singapore direct to Banjoewangie, avoiding the Java lines, and thence direct to Port Darwin, in consideration of an annual subsidy of £32,400.

With reference to article 2, a communication has been received from the Colonial Secretary, Wellington, forwarding copies of despatches received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, announcing that Mr. Seward, Acting Secretary of State, Washington, had promised to bring the matter in connection with a telegraph cable between New Zealand and America under consideration of Congress; but it was stated that there could not be much hope that Congress would vote any considerable sum of money towards the completion of such an undertaking.

In accordance with resolution No. 7, arrangements have been made for all official telegrams of Her Majesty's ships to be allowed to pass over the Victorian telegraph lines free of charge.

To mitigate as far as possible the inconvenience that would arise from the suspension of telegraphic communication with Europe through the breaking of either of the submarine cables between Australia and Singapore, a contract was entered into in September last between the Postmaster-General, South Australia, and the Netherlands-India Steam Navigation Company for the conveyance of telegraphic despatches and mails to and from Banjoewangie and Port Darwin, in the event of communication by cable between those places being interrupted, upon the following terms and conditions, viz. :—The company to provide a suitable steamship of not less than 400 tons capacity, and to be paid at the rate of £1,250 for each complete trip from Banjoewangie to Port Darwin and return to Banjoewangie. The parties to the contract to be at liberty to terminate the same at any time by giving six months' notice in writing of intention to do so.

A contract, upon similar terms and conditions, was also entered into by the same contracting parties for the conveyance of telegraphic despatches and mails between Batavia and Singapore, in the event of the telegraph cable between those places being interrupted. For this latter service the company is to receive the sum of £1,050 for each complete trip from Batavia to Singapore and return to Batavia. The cost of both services will be borne by all the Australasian Colonies, each colony contributing in proportion to its population.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of Cash Revenue for 1876 and 1877, and Number of Messages transmitted from each Office during the Year 1877.

Name of Station.	Date of Opening Office.	Number of Messages transmitted.	Revenue, 1876.	Revenue, 1877.	Increase, 1877.	Decrease, 1877.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Melbourne, Central Office	Mar. 1854	205,865	18,705 11 5	21,382 9 7	2,676 18 2	...
" Customs	Aug. 1872	41,478	4,070 7 0	4,185 6 8	114 19 8	...
Alexandra	Dec. 1873	1,887	81 13 10	94 13 7	12 19 9	...
Ararat	Nov. 1858	7,671	506 11 7	453 10 4	...	53 1 3
Avenel	Nov. 1874	1,227	56 6 2	63 4 9	6 18 7	...
Avoca	Mar. 1859	2,740	132 3 8	152 14 11	20 11 3	...
Bacchus Marsh	Oct. 1874	1,480	71 8 0	80 4 8	8 16 8	...
Bairnsdale	July 1869	5,658	286 14 9	371 11 2	84 16 5	...
Ballan	Sept. 1874	1,366	61 13 4	72 6 11	10 13 7	...
Ballarat	Dec. 1856	46,943	2,776 8 4	3,149 17 5	373 9 1	...
Balmoral	Oct. 1875	1,113	58 15 11	62 17 1	4 1 2	...
Beaufort	Mar. 1858	1,680	88 15 0	96 11 5	7 16 5	...
Beechworth	Jan. 1858	7,828	489 16 2	483 19 8	...	5 16 6
Belfast	Mar. 1858	7,621	460 2 7	418 5 11	...	41 16 8
Benalla	May 1858	3,525	201 16 0	197 3 0	...	4 13 0
Berwick	Mar. 1873	1,476	75 15 8	81 9 8	5 14 0	...
Birregurra	Feb. 1874	2,320	66 19 2	122 10 7	55 11 5	...
Branxholme	Nov. 1875	1,257	47 16 2	65 8 11	17 12 9	...
Bridgewater on Loddon	June 1877	1,025	New office	54 11 3	54 11 3	...
Bright	Aug. 1867	1,652	89 19 4	95 17 4	5 18 0	...
Brighton	Nov. 1872	1,539	90 5 3	93 2 9	2 17 6	...
Brunswick	Aug. 1872	737	43 17 10	43 10 0	...	0 7 10
Buln Buln	Mar. 1877	1,814	New office	88 19 0	88 19 0	...
Buninyong	Oct. 1862	851	42 3 11	43 11 3	1 7 4	...
Camperdown	Oct. 1863	3,789	233 17 9	242 12 4	8 14 7	...
Cape Otway	Sept. 1859	873	9 9 5	13 8 4	3 18 11	...
Cape Schanck	Sept. 1861	807	4 0 2	6 0 3	2 0 1	...
Caramut	Mar. 1874	920	59 12 6	49 16 5	...	9 16 1
Carisbrook	Jan. 1861	1,353	42 7 1	49 17 5	7 10 4	...
Carlton	Feb. 1875	3,713	214 17 4	270 10 10	55 13 6	...
Casterton	July 1865	4,149	228 10 0	255 3 9	26 13 9	...
Castlemaine	Jan. 1857	8,516	445 4 10	443 9 8	...	1 15 2
Chewton	Oct. 1872	378	21 7 9	21 6 7	...	0 1 2
Chiltern	Mar. 1861	1,934	112 2 7	106 14 5	...	5 8 2
Clunes	Feb. 1861	4,639	323 4 9	253 10 10	...	69 13 11
Coburg	Aug. 1873	491	23 10 5	29 14 6	6 4 1	...
Colac	Aug. 1863	5,799	289 0 1	394 13 4	105 13 3	...
Coleraine	Aug. 1867	3,624	227 0 3	238 12 9	11 12 6	...
Collingwood	Nov. 1865	4,659	317 4 3	331 4 1	13 19 10	...
Cranbourne	Feb. 1877	633	New office	35 6 0	35 6 0	...
Creswick	Aug. 1859	5,589	269 17 5	301 12 11	31 15 6	...
Dandenong	June 1871	1,879	81 11 11	93 7 6	11 15 7	...
Daylesford	Aug. 1859	2,834	178 9 6	161 7 5	...	17 2 1
Dromana	April 1875	769	34 10 5	36 14 11	2 4 6	...
Dunolly	Aug. 1859	4,474	199 2 7	221 7 5	22 4 10	...
Durham Ox	June 1876	1,419	34 8 1	86 3 5	51 15 4	...
Eaglehawk	Oct. 1871	1,312	73 13 4	79 6 3	5 12 11	...
Echuca	Dec. 1858	15,751	1,022 5 0	961 1 0	...	61 4 0
Elaine	April 1875	413	19 14 7	18 13 3	...	1 1 4
Eldorado	July 1871	615	47 10 1	36 11 7	...	10 18 6
Eltham	June 1877	128	New office	7 0 3	7 0 3	...
Emerald Hill	Feb. 1872	3,593	230 8 5	246 10 0	16 1 7	...
Fitzroy	Sept. 1877	779	New office	53 3 8	53 3 8	...
Flemington	Dec. 1876	1,118	2 1 10	80 17 7	78 15 9	...
Flinders ¹	May 1869	236	11 11 5	10 16 4	...	0 15 1
Footscray	Oct. 1873	1,209	54 12 8	66 17 10	12 5 2	...
Fryerstown	April 1872	684	30 9 4	34 10 10	4 1 6	...
Gaffney's Creek	May 1871	520	30 8 10	28 5 1	...	2 3 9
Geelong	Dec. 1854	24,991	1,653 15 4	1,712 12 9	58 17 5	...
Glenorchy	Sept. 1877	197	New office	9 6 2	9 6 2	...
Goornong	Sept. 1877	773	New office	21 1 10	21 1 10	...
Gordons	Mar. 1875	1,642	54 19 11	90 7 1	35 7 2	...
Hamilton	Mar. 1861	12,818	756 13 3	856 9 1	99 15 10	...
Harrow	July 1875	2,300	89 12 10	102 10 7	12 17 9	...
Hawthorn	July 1872	1,485	97 7 0	94 10 5	...	2 16 7
Heathcote	Oct. 1859	2,241	95 11 11	131 3 6	35 11 7	...
Heidelberg	Aug. 1876	774	18 15 0	46 8 9	27 13 9	...
Hexham	April 1858	522	32 15 3	27 6 6	...	5 8 9
Heywood	July 1877	443	New office	28 9 1	28 9 1	...
Horsham	Jan. 1875	9,721	635 11 2	658 10 0	22 18 10	...
Hotham	June 1875	2,823	138 15 1	178 1 11	39 6 10	...
Inglewood	Oct. 1861	4,064	201 6 7	205 4 5	3 17 10	...
Ivanhoe	Aug. 1876	398	5 5 5	25 16 1	20 10 8	...
Jamieson	June 1865	1,498	76 13 7	77 5 4	0 11 9	...
Keilor Road Station	Nov. 1877	50	New office	2 5 7	2 5 7	...
Kerang	Aug. 1863	2,537	75 5 2	132 18 3	57 13 1	...
Kew	Feb. 1875	1,489	82 17 10	91 6 9	8 8 11	...
Kilmore	Oct. 1857	2,749	126 9 2	130 19 8	4 10 6	...
Koroit	Sept. 1872	1,547	88 2 4	93 3 11	5 1 7	...
Kyneton	April 1857	5,894	307 3 11	321 5 11	14 2 0	...
Lancefield	May 1874	780	45 8 3	41 6 5	...	4 1 10

¹ Local collections only.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of Cash Revenue for 1876 and 1877, and Number of Messages transmitted from each Office during the Year 1877—*continued.*

Name of Station.	Date of Opening Office.	Number of Messages Transmitted.	Revenue, 1876.	Revenue, 1877.	Increase, 1877.	Decrease, 1877.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Learmonth	May 1874	826	45 8 7	45 16 4	0 7 9	...
Lilydale	July 1876	1,199	34 1 5	69 12 2	35 10 9	...
Linton	Oct. 1868	948	52 14 6	50 7 4	...	2 7 2
Little River	Sept. 1876	281	3 11 5	28 18 6	25 7 1	...
Longwood	Nov. 1857	623	32 5 1	30 12 1	...	1 13 0
Lorne	Jan. 1876	897	25 4 3	47 15 0	22 10 9	...
Maffra	July 1875	1,880	98 14 5	111 11 0	12 16 7	...
Majorca	April 1870	565	36 2 4	30 0 11	...	6 1 5
Maldon	Aug. 1859	1,496	97 17 10	82 7 0	...	15 10 10
Malmesbury	Oct. 1865	1,213	66 9 5	58 18 1	...	7 11 4
Malvern	Jan. 1876	211	16 9 9	12 19 8	...	3 10 1
Mansfield	Nov. 1868	2,805	146 10 10	154 16 5	8 5 7	...
Maryborough	April 1859	6,390	359 10 7	368 19 9	9 9 2	...
Melton	Sept. 1877	163	New office	8 16 3	8 16 3	...
Meredith	April 1875	652	25 19 11	25 11 11	...	0 8 0
Moe	Jan. 1877	1,566	New office	81 15 8	81 15 8	...
Mordialloc	Aug. 1876	478	7 16 9	26 9 10	18 13 1	...
Mornington	Mar. 1861	1,461	70 9 3	79 1 0	8 11 9	...
Mortlake	June 1864	2,160	139 15 3	120 18 6	...	18 16 9
Mount Blackwood	Aug. 1875	1,051	55 15 4	58 3 0	2 7 8	...
Murchison	Dec. 1874	3,495	153 4 6	197 16 4	44 11 10	...
Myrniong	Feb. 1876	467	16 19 2	26 5 4	9 6 2	...
Nagambie	Jan. 1875	1,598	95 3 5	85 7 1	...	9 16
New Gisborne	July 1873	630	37 18 3	34 3 11	...	3 14 4
Newstead	Oct. 1863	701	33 0 1	37 10 10	4 10 9	...
Northcote	Aug. 1876	268	6 11 5	15 12 7	9 1 2	...
Oakleigh	Sept. 1875	489	16 3 10	29 0 7	12 16 9	...
Pakenham	Aug. 1877	243	New office	13 10 11	13 10 11	...
Penshurst	Jan. 1867	2,345	152 17 5	132 8 6	...	20 8 11
Piggoreet	Mar. 1875	374	20 15 2	19 0 2	...	1 15 0
Port Albert	Dec. 1864	3,509	169 11 9	150 1 4	...	19 10 5
Portland	Feb. 1858	9,127	472 0 7	560 18 5	88 17 10	...
Portsea	Jan. 1877	1,410	New office	79 16 8	79 16 8	...
Prahran	Aug. 1872	3,070	155 1 7	187 19 9	32 18 2	...
Preston	Aug. 1876	199	3 15 5	10 12 3	6 16 10	...
Queenscliff ¹	Jan. 1855	10,055	218 17 10	203 19 10	...	14 18 0
Richmond	Jan. 1872	2,360	143 13 11	142 15 3	...	0 18 8
Ditto South Receiving-house	April 1876	738	32 18 7	44 9 9	11 11 2	...
Rochester	May 1875	3,401	157 3 7	180 2 0	22 18 5	...
Rokewood	Sept. 1873	611	33 19 10	33 13 7	...	0 6 3
Romsey	May 1874	822	40 3 2	46 10 3	6 7 1	...
Rosedale	Mar. 1867	2,468	139 9 5	121 17 6	...	17 11 11
Rushworth	Dec. 1874	2,279	96 16 3	124 19 1	28 2 10	...
Rutherglen	Aug. 1862	1,461	76 6 10	82 11 2	6 4 4	...
St. Arnaud	Jan. 1865	6,690	340 7 2	383 15 8	43 8 6	...
St. Kilda	Feb. 1871	4,706	318 11 8	343 13 2	25 1 6	...
Sale	Sept. 1864	11,529	721 18 0	743 17 8	21 19 8	...
Sandhurst	Jan. 1857	28,518	2,383 17 9	1,827 11 3	...	556 6 6
Sandridge	July 1855	2,919	207 4 11	212 7 1	5 2 2	...
Scarsdale	Sept. 1872	607	32 10 7	34 7 3	1 16 8	...
Sebastopol	Jan. 1870	433	30 12 6	25 5 2	...	5 7 4
Serpentine Creek	Sept. 1873	1,023	57 4 3	60 15 3	3 11 0	...
Seymour	June 1865	1,860	88 12 4	98 15 1	10 2 9	...
Shady Creek ²	Jan. 1871	173	35 13 0	7 15 0	...	27 18 0
Skipton	Sept. 1876	867	15 7 2	55 8 2	40 1 0	...
Smythesdale	June 1863	1,111	56 6 2	56 12 11	0 6 9	...
Sorrento	Feb. 1874	1,968	170 0 1	98 1 3	...	71 18 10
South Yarra	Aug. 1872	2,836	212 2 8	202 15 4	...	9 7 4
Stawell	Oct. 1861	16,030	849 19 5	1,012 19 5	163 0 0	...
Stockyard Creek	April 1873	836	68 0 0	52 13 5	...	15 6 7
Stratford	May 1873	1,567	84 5 0	80 18 7	...	3 6 5
Streatham	July 1858	671	46 14 4	38 14 0	...	8 0 4
Stuartmill	Dec. 1869	499	38 5 2	34 10 7	...	3 14 7
Swan Hill	April 1863	2,448	134 13 4	156 10 4	21 17 0	...
Sunbury Volunteer Camp	Mar. 1877	158	...	7 3 10	7 3 10	...
Talbot	Dec. 1860	2,896	167 0 3	143 9 11	...	23 10 4
Taradale	Nov. 1861	846	43 14 3	40 0 3	...	3 14 0
Tarnagulla	Nov. 1860	1,076	42 13 1	65 13 0	22 19 11	...
Tarraville	June 1877	331	New office	17 17 9	17 17 9	...
Terang	Nov. 1871	1,510	74 4 10	81 18 2	7 13 4	...
Toorak	May 1877	857	New office	61 2 0	61 2 0	...
Traralgon	May 1875	2,159	110 7 5	111 13 6	1 6 1	...
Waddallah	May 1873	1,101	42 0 7	39 9 4	...	2 11 3
Wahgunyah	Feb. 1861	3,412	123 7 0	140 11 6	17 4 6	...
Walhalla	Nov. 1870	5,256	434 13 7	327 15 11	...	106 17 8
Wangaratta	July 1858	4,998	270 15 8	276 6 2	5 10 6	...
Warrnambool	Mar. 1858	16,989	1,135 19 0	1,148 11 8	12 12 8	...
Wedderburn	Feb. 1876	1,396	63 8 7	84 9 0	21 0 5	...
Williamstown	Mar. 1854	4,648	328 11 1	367 13 9	39 2 8	...
Wilson's Promontory ⁴	April 1873	585	...	...	...	...
Winchelsea	Feb. 1874	1,241	64 7 4	66 1 8	1 14 4	...
Wodonga	Jan. 1858	3,736	198 2 5	203 12 9	5 10 4	...
Wood's Point	Oct. 1865	1,259	88 8 10	66 0 3	...	22 8 7
Yackandandah	Feb. 1861	1,056	51 4 8	60 19 1	9 14 5	...
Point Lonsdale ⁴	Oct. 1861	...	...	...	...	...

¹ Includes 4,208 "collect" messages, transmitted in 1877, value £248 16s.

² Sunbury Camp for March and April 1877.

³ Shady Creek Telegraph Office was closed in March 1877.

⁴ Look-out Shipping Stations.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of Cash Revenue for 1876 and 1877, and Number of Messages transmitted from each Office during the Year 1877—*continued*.

Name of Station.	Date of Opening Office.	Number of Messages Transmitted.	Revenue, 1876.	Revenue, 1877.	Increase, 1877.	Decrease, 1877.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
RAILWAY CIRCUIT.						
Avenel	Dec. 1872	3,074	11 13 6	12 2 8	0 9 2	...
Ballarat West	July 1863	7,837	77 8 6	86 5 0	8 16 6	...
Beaufort	Aug. 1874	1,633	1 2 10	1 19 9	0 16 11	...
Benalla	Aug. 1873	2,849	66 13 6	78 1 5	11 7 11	...
Broadford	May 1872	3,435	16 16 6	16 7 8	...	0 8 10
Broadmeadows ¹	Sept. 1877	1,038	New office	0 11 7	0 11 7	...
Bunyip	Nov. 1877	368	New office	5 11 8	5 11 8	...
Castlemaine	July 1863	7,730	47 0 1	55 15 11	8 15 10	...
Chiltern	Dec. 1873	2,398	7 10 1	12 4 3	4 14 2	...
Craigieburn	Nov. 1877	1,291	New office	0 8 0	0 8 0	...
Dunkeld	April 1877	1,711	New office	67 2 9	67 2 9	...
Echuca	June 1865	7,304	161 15 5	234 16 3	73 0 10	...
Elmore	June 1865	4,071	100 8 0	127 18 11	27 10 11	...
Elphinstone	April 1873	6,053	9 9 11	15 10 1	6 0 2	...
Euroa	Aug. 1876	2,753	21 2 11	58 2 5	36 19 6	...
Geelong	April 1862	5,643	77 19 11	100 8 5	22 8 6	...
Kilmore	Sept. 1877	2,000	New office	3 10 10	3 10 10	...
Kyneton	July 1876	2,340	6 19 6	16 19 3	9 19 9	...
Lancefield Road	July 1873	5,327	15 11 7	19 7 11	3 16 4	...
Longwood ²	Dec. 1872	...	12 7 0	...	...	12 7 0
Macedon	June 1874	5,256	...	19 15 7	19 15 7	...
Maryborough	July 1874	2,919	21 16 5	17 9 6	...	4 6 11
Newmarket	Oct. 1874	1,231	69 10 5	58 18 0	...	10 12 5
Newstead	July 1874	1,784	3 0 11	1 8 7	...	1 12 4
Pakenham Railway Station	Nov. 1877	92	New office	0 16 10	0 16 10	...
Riddell's Creek	July 1876	5,340	8 14 10	25 5 11	16 11 1	...
Sandhurst	July 1863	5,369	136 8 2	148 9 11	12 1 9	...
Seymour	May 1872	4,886	40 12 1	41 8 2	0 16 1	...
Spencer street	Oct. 1861	28,468	588 18 8	680 17 11	91 19 3	...
Stawell	Dec. 1877	153	New office	3 1 10	3 1 10	...
Sunbury	Feb. 1867	6,106	50 1 11	64 17 9	14 15 10	...
Tallaroek	Nov. 1877	695	New office	3 12 8	3 12 8	...
Violettown	Jan. 1877	1,293	Re-opened office	37 16 5	37 16 5	...
Wallan Wallan	May 1872	5,708	16 5 11	13 6 8	...	2 19 3
Wandong ³	Sept. 1877	1,303	New office	2 4 6	2 4 6	...
Wangaratta	Nov. 1873	4,747	40 14 2	42 6 2	1 12 0	...
Werrihee	April 1862	2,158	46 15 10	47 9 2	0 13 4	...
Williamstown Pier	Jan. 1870	2,818	20 15 5	21 11 2	0 15 9	...
Wodonga	Nov. 1873	1,832	23 6 6	14 19 3	...	8 7 3
Woodend	Oct. 1861	20,300	74 19 10	62 15 2	...	12 4 8
Yendon	Mar. 1873	4,798	13 2 2	16 2 9	3 0 7	...
		919,985	52,467 10 2	57,429 4 10	6,326 17 2	1,365 2 6

¹ The Railway Telegraph Office at Broadmeadows has been closed.

² Longwood Railway Telegraph Office was closed in May 1876.

³ Wandong Railway Telegraph Office was closed on 13th November 1877.

MONEY ORDER AND SAVINGS BANK.

The number of Money Orders issued during the year was 131,173, against 123,025 in 1876; the difference showing an increase of 8,148, or 6·62 per cent.

The number of Money Orders paid during the year was 133,587, against 125,595 in 1876; the difference showing an increase of 7,992, or 6·36 per cent.

The value of the Money Orders issued during the year was £395,829 6s., against £379,570 10s. in 1876; the difference showing an increase of £16,258 16s., or 4·28 per cent.

The value of the Money Orders paid during the year was £423,588 8s. 3d., against £403,525 11s. 6d. in 1876; the difference showing an increase of £20,062 16s. 9d., or 4·97 per cent.

The number of new Savings Bank accounts opened during the year was 12,057; the number closed, 9,217; and the number remaining open on the 31st December, 44,361.

The total amount of Deposits received during the year was £430,230 2s. 1d., and the amount repaid, £418,322 17s. 9d.

The total amount of Interest placed to the credit of Depositors for the year was £22,904 15s.

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

The total amount of Balances to the credit of Depositors on the 31st December 1877, was £652,088 18s. 2d., and on the 31st December 1876, £617,276 18s. 10d.; the difference showing an increase of £34,811 19s. 4d., or 5·63 per cent.

The total number of Depositors' accounts at 31st December being 44,361, and the amount of Balances £652,088 18s. 2d., the average balance was £14 13s. 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ d.

Of the 44,361 accounts remaining open at 31st December—

36,826 did not exceed £20.

3,903 were above £20, but did not exceed £50.

1,971 „ £50, „ „ £100.

837 „ £100, „ „ £150.

376 „ £150, „ „ £200.

448 „ £200.

The total number of Deposits received during the year was 93,803, averaging £4 11s. 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. each.

The total number of Repayments was 34,097, averaging £12 5s. 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ d. each.

Twelve new Money Order Offices were opened during the year, making the number open at the close of the year 246.

Eight new Savings Banks were opened, and one closed, making the number open at the end of the year 166.

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 1877, and the Amount of Revenue received for Commission.

Number of Money Order Offices at close of 1877.	Net Revenue received for Commission.	Orders Issued.		Orders Paid.		Total Transactions.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
246	5,423 10 7	131,173	395,829 6 0	133,587	423,588 3 8	264,760	819,417 14 3

RETURN showing the Number and Amount of Orders Issued and Paid at each Money Order Office in Victoria during the Year 1877.

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 ...	395	1,252 5 8	346	1,292 13 4	Buckland, Lower	61	156 10 1	3	5 5 6
Allansford ...	77	270 6 9	14	72 4 3	Buln Buln ...	576	2,131 13 4	197	947 7 0
Amherst ...	186	480 12 2	95	280 7 5	Bungaree ...	118	402 0 0	20	78 3 3
Ararat ...	1,520	4,241 11 4	1,078	3,301 18 0	Buinyong ...	256	755 8 11	810	2,739 5 6
Avenel ...	508	1,608 3 4	108	367 4 8	Burke's Flat ...	122	296 11 11	13	53 15 0
Avoca ...	480	1,230 15 5	421	1,310 6 3	Byaduk ...	149	414 15 6	21	69 11 6
Bacchus Marsh	397	1,227 3 11	190	579 3 7	Campbell's Creek	154	415 3 10	215	574 17 9
Bairnsdale ...	724	1,944 0 8	488	2,341 14 6	Camperdown ...	605	2,146 1 7	402	1,219 15 6
Ballan ...	302	929 15 11	216	602 14 6	Caramut ...	198	514 14 5	28	97 5 3
Ballarat ...	3,463	18,108 14 11	11,846	32,695 8 5	Carisbrook ...	134	326 15 11	79	227 14 4
Balmoral ...	228	702 5 8	40	159 3 5	Carlton ...	796	2,249 0 4	1,775	5,210 9 2
Barnawartha ...	131	317 2 8	16	46 2 8	Carlton, North...	90	186 14 9	20	46 1 6
Barry's Reef ...	579	1,359 8 11	218	603 13 8	Casterton ...	598	1,581 2 3	358	1,503 15 8
Bass ...	131	401 7 11	15	102 10 0	Castlemaine ...	1,880	5,149 10 2	1,953	5,516 8 2
Bealiba ...	149	354 15 2	42	143 5 2	Charlton East ...	571	1,885 18 6	185	1,026 17 5
Beaufort ...	731	1,928 14 9	348	1,164 10 11	Cheltenham ...	159	277 7 0	83	255 17 7
Beecac ...	203	813 16 7	43	169 9 1	Chewton ...	300	743 1 8	417	1,230 0 6
Beechworth ...	964	2,549 1 2	1,038	3,560 7 8	Chiltern ...	390	1,129 3 1	264	923 1 11
Belfast ...	897	2,480 7 2	580	1,873 6 4	Clunes ...	1,623	4,348 15 4	1,004	3,090 9 3
Benalla ...	782	2,347 13 5	2,062	10,990 6 11	Cobden ...	54	147 12 0	13	40 8 6
Berwick ...	676	2,265 16 4	113	381 4 4	Coburg ...	231	916 0 10	110	300 12 3
Birregurra ...	626	2,073 9 1	64	196 18 2	Coghill's Creek	17	29 9 2	1	2 0 0
Box Hill ...	14	19 7 3	...	...	Colac ...	922	2,839 4 5	392	1,249 3 1
Branxholme ...	462	1,538 19 6	38	121 14 7	Coleraine ...	479	1,305 11 6	189	558 19 2
Bright ...	346	946 12 11	127	396 19 4	Collingwood ...	1,559	3,914 8 11	2,754	7,875 9 5
Brighton ...	210	551 5 1	272	915 16 7	Coodah ...	355	1,431 2 5	21	49 16 6
Broadford ...	322	956 12 0	116	503 0 11	Corop ...	253	728 7 3	26	118 12 0
Broadmeadows	45	172 16 4	17	58 10 9	Costerfield ...	217	552 15 10	11	17 7 8
Brunswick ..	266	718 19 3	487	1,441 8 11	Cowes ...	63	247 3 1	32	150 6 7

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT showing the various Places where the Money Orders issued in Victoria during the Years 1877 and 1876 were made Payable.

Place.				1877.			1876.				
				Number.	Amount.			Number.	Amount.		
					£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Victoria	...	...	...	102,969	305,039	16	10	98,404	293,422	15	1
United Kingdom	...	...	...	17,148	57,053	17	4	16,505	54,807	18	1
New South Wales	...	...	...	6,233	15,132	18	7	3,624	13,643	19	1
New Zealand	...	...	...	1,114	4,819	10	3	1,111	4,725	3	10
South Australia	...	...	...	1,635	5,545	11	3	1,460	5,204	1	6
Queensland...	...	...	...	643	2,606	1	2	536	2,510	0	5
Tasmania	...	...	...	1,358	5,398	14	5	1,337	5,078	4	0
Western Australia	...	...	...	73	232	16	2	48	178	8	0
Totals	...	...	...	131,173	395,829	6	0	123,025	379,570	10	0

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT showing the various Places where the Money Orders paid in Victoria during the Years 1877 and 1876 were originally Issued.

Place.				1877.				1876.			
				Number.		Amount.		Number.		Amount.	
						£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Victoria	...	...	...	102,849	304,434	19	6	98,442	293,525	7	5
United Kingdom	...	...	...	3,771	15,468	8	2	3,727	15,528	18	11
New South Wales	...	...	...	9,641	34,133	4	1	8,817	33,782	9	11
New Zealand	...	...	...	5,139	20,901	18	10	5,132	21,649	14	8
South Australia	...	...	...	4,953	17,889	0	1	4,478	16,471	0	11
Queensland...	...	...	...	2,076	9,586	14	2	2,044	10,184	17	3
Tasmania	...	...	...	4,938	20,286	15	5	2,705	11,160	0	0
Western Australia	...	...	...	220	887	8	0	250	1,223	2	5
Totals	...	...	...	133,587	423,588	8	3	125,595	403,525	11	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 1877; 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 1876.	Number of Accounts Opened in 1877.	Number of Accounts Closed in 1877.	Number of Accounts Open at close of 1877.	Balances on 31st Dec. 1876.	Deposits Received in 1877 (including Interest).		Withdrawals Paid in 1877.		Balances remaining at the close of 1877.
							No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	
Alexandra ..	1st Nov. 1869	35	4	6	33	365 2 5	58	144 19 0	23	107 7 11	402 13 6
Ararat ..	1st Jan. 1866	250	61	50	261	4,216 16 1	433	2,849 19 5	187	2,031 5 3	5,035 10 3
Avenel ..	1st Nov. 1869	42	9	5	46	995 10 4	57	306 6 3	28	429 6 5	872 10 2
Avoca ..	6th Nov. 1865	203	24	24	203	3,420 17 8	195	1,499 9 2	104	1,136 0 11	3,784 5 11
Bacchus Marsh ..	17th Sept. 1866	80	15	8	87	495 4 5	100	310 15 2	16	143 17 2	662 2 5
Bairnsdale ..	1st Nov. 1869	51	23	22	52	359 5 7	96	269 5 1	33	243 18 11	381 11 9
Ballan ..	1st Nov. 1869	55	9	12	52	802 13 8	71	1,018 4 7	33	763 4 3	1,057 14 0
Ballarat ..	11th Sept. 1865	1,630	282	285	1,627	22,936 6 3	2,421	13,566 2 8	1,017	13,858 16 7	22,643 12 4
Beaufort ..	1st Dec. 1865	67	16	11	72	1,028 16 7	95	470 13 9	38	708 9 2	791 1 2
Beeac ..	1st Feb. 1872	43	16	13	46	1,111 17 4	118	884 14 4	32	1,068 2 5	928 9 3
Beechworth ..	11th Sept. 1865	726	113	94	745	8,566 16 4	904	4,489 14 4	264	3,733 9 0	9,323 1 8
Belfast ..	1st Feb. 1866	25	..	3	22	1,090 13 7	20	194 10 7	10	543 10 10	741 13 4
Benalla ..	15th April 1867	137	40	31	146	2,166 1 1	189	1,448 17 9	83	1,227 7 11	2,357 10 11
Birregurra ..	1st July 1871	34	8	7	35	317 2 6	47	651 15 10	15	228 8 7	740 9 9
Branxholme ..	1st Aug. 1873	13	6	3	16	35 9 8	24	160 12 1	6	90 18 10	105 2 11
Bright ..	1st Feb. 1868	130	26	28	128	1,798 15 3	138	1,149 4 0	65	876 19 9	2,070 19 6
Brighton ..	1st Oct. 1866	101	76	36	141	1,798 15 3	377	1,530 12 2	99	1,535 13 11	1,793 1 10
Brunswick ..	1st Oct. 1867	352	86	58	380	2,281 4 2	1,166	2,076 5 9	194	1,811 9 2	2,546 0 9
Bungaree ..	1st Dec. 1871	18	..	..	18	197 15 7	9	50 17 4	4	20 0 0	228 12 8
Buninyong ..	12th July 1866	208	30	32	206	3,149 16 3	442	1,053 5 2	109	1,151 9 1	3,051 12 4
Byaduk ..	1st Sept. 1873	2	3	1	4	2 12 7	5	8 18 8	1	2 10 5	9 0 10
Campbell's Creek ..	25th Mar. 1869	25	9	3	31	98 13 7	79	104 7 3	20	88 15 5	114 5 5
Campersdown ..	1st Dec. 1865	129	17	17	129	1,309 9 2	122	968 17 7	49	1,119 11 2	1,158 15 7
Caramut ..	1st May 1875	16	10	2	24	88 6 5	35	99 19 9	9	80 14 1	107 12 1
Carisbrook ..	17th Sept. 1866	114	8	13	109	690 3 0	111	352 17 9	35	280 15 8	762 5 1
Carlton ..	1st Oct. 1867	765	366	249	882	7,100 12 11	3,593	9,277 6 9	868	6,533 6 9	9,844 12 11
Casterton ..	1st Nov. 1869	66	22	11	77	616 14 5	80	445 2 0	36	203 4 6	858 11 11
Castlemaine ..	11th Sept. 1865	154	37	28	163	3,036 7 1	293	1,514 5 2	123	1,646 17 10	2,903 14 5
Cheltenham ..	1st Feb. 1868	184	40	34	192	1,713 15 2	593	1,061 10 0	89	1,142 16 1	1,632 9 1
Chiltern ..	6th Nov. 1865	93	30	27	96	2,014 10 3	152	1,221 4 6	71	1,473 10 3	1,762 4 6
Clunes ..	6th Nov. 1865	380	116	67	429	6,217 6 2	703	5,013 13 0	278	3,296 1 11	7,914 17 3
Coburg ..	17th Sept. 1866	90	22	18	94	798 19 8	168	782 11 3	43	498 16 9	1,082 14 2
Colac ..	6th Nov. 1866	110	48	23	135	1,304 14 7	239	1,108 16 0	77	882 17 2	1,530 13 5
Coleraine ..	1st Nov. 1869	67	19	19	67	925 1 4	73	530 2 7	44	757 2 2	699 1 2
Collingwood ..	15th Nov. 1865	3,388	1,166	919	3,635	43,392 6 6	10,722	36,065 10 11	3,167	31,424 15 3	48,053 2 2
Corop ..	1st Sept. 1871	15	4	4	15	99 6 8	9	51 15 4	7	85 17 3	65 4 9
Cranbourne ..	1st Sept. 1871	14	8	9	33	110 12 8	162	223 5 7	14	144 11 8	189 6 7
Creswick ..	6th Nov. 1865	274	43	42	275	2,308 15 6	304	1,373 1 4	121	1,170 13 2	2,511 3 8
Daylesford ..	1st Jan. 1869	150	16	15	151	1,688 18 3	153	860 11 8	60	801 13 2	1,747 16 9
Digby ..	12th June 1876	7	5	..	12	9 18 1	16	16 15 11	..	..	26 14 0
Dimboola ..	12th Nov. 1877	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dromana ..	1st Jan. 1877	..	19	3	16	..	83	107 7 11	4	6 14 7	100 13 4
Drysdale ..	1st Jan. 1870	51	15	12	54	841 7 1	41	450 11 4	37	357 7 9	940 10 8
Dunolly ..	1st Dec. 1865	189	28	25	192	2,164 2 9	295	988 1 3	76	934 2 6	2,218 1 6
Durham Ox ..	1st May 1877	..	6	..	6	..	18	13 10 0	..	..	13 10 0
Eaglehawk ..	23rd Nov. 1868	140	74	54	160	1,080 9 8	341	1,555 3 10	160	1,091 6 9	1,544 6 9
Echuca... ..	1st Feb. 1866	332	210	139	403	5,207 11 5	795	5,913 0 1	410	5,232 18 5	5,887 13 1
Edenhope ..	11th May 1874	14	7	5	16	216 3 11	16	271 13 0	9	83 19 7	403 17 4
Elaine ..	18th Oct. 1875	15	2	5	12	145 10 3	15	103 1 1	9	76 12 0	171 19 4
Eldorado ..	1st Oct. 1867	51	9	8	52	555 1 5	87	273 13 2	19	309 1 9	516 12 10
Elmore ..	14th Sept. 1876	2	6	1	7	19 1 10	90	179 17 2	2	32 0 1	166 18 11
Emerald Hill ..	1st Aug. 1867	1,093	430	312	1,211	7,880 10 9	3,334	6,744 9 7	991	6,195 8 11	8,429 11 5
Fitzroy ..	24th Sept. 1877	..	52	5	47	..	164	454 8 10	12	25 14 5	428 14 5
Footscray ..	1st Oct. 1867	110	80	53	137	1,735 17 8	474	1,809 16 9	184	1,670 0 1	1,875 14 4
Fryerstown ..	1st Aug. 1867	92	12	7	97	1,199 16 9	173	813 10 6	36	487 10 5	1,525 16 10
Gaffney's Creek ..	4th May 1874	10	1	2	9	252 5 5	4	7 18 9	6	107 18 7	152 5 7
Geelong ..	11th Sept. 1865	1,821	418	411	1,828	37,774 17 11	3,464	22,220 6 1	1,316	23,963 0 0	36,032 4 0

POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANKS—continued.

Name of Post Office Savings Bank.	Date when Established.	Number of Accounts Open at close of 1876.	Number of Accounts Opened in 1877.	Number of Accounts Closed in 1877.	Number of Accounts Open at close of 1877.	Balances on 31st Dec. 1876.	Deposits Received in 1877 (including Interest).		Withdrawals Paid in 1877.		Balances remaining at the close of 1877.	
							No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.		
Gisborne ..	1st Nov. 1869	68	9	17	60	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Graytown ..	12th July 1869	44	..	1	43	790 11 8	359	353 5 6	24	323 9 7	820 7 7	
Guildford ..	1st Oct. 1867	26	7	3	30	138 5 6	21	76 10 5	6	21 13 6	193 2 9	
Hamilton ..	12th July 1866	89	68	56	101	696 10 9	43	336 6 8	17	322 13 6	710 3 11	
Harrow ..	2nd Aug. 1875	15	2	5	12	2,329 4 8	223	1,922 11 0	136	1,994 0 3	2,257 15 5	
Hastings ..	1st Jan. 1872	22	8	5	25	211 15 4	40	195 4 1	11	210 15 6	196 3 11	
Hawthorn ..	1st Oct. 1867	209	74	42	241	986 8 3	47	466 19 0	25	261 0 8	1,192 6 7	
Heathcote ..	12th July 1866	181	45	37	189	1,180 9 11	474	1,157 9 9	106	858 16 7	1,479 3 1	
Hexham ..	7th Feb. 1876	20	4	3	21	4,811 16 3	291	2,821 0 6	138	3,095 13 2	4,557 3 7	
Heywood ..	1st Nov. 1869	25	21	17	29	149 1 0	37	110 1 6	4	4 3 1	254 19 5	
Horsham ..	1st Nov. 1869	68	41	34	75	217 2 5	94	727 17 10	43	431 19 2	513 1 1	
Hotham ..	1st Oct. 1866	863	360	241	982	966 0 2	158	898 16 10	68	719 7 10	1,145 9 2	
Inglewood ..	1st Jan. 1866	166	27	39	154	6,270 11 10	3,334	8,970 11 10	892	6,375 18 11	8,865 4 9	
Inverleigh ..	1st Aug. 1871	12	9	2	19	1,367 1 5	285	829 11 1	83	798 9 1	1,398 3 5	
Jameson ..	1st Nov. 1869	52	8	3	57	351 14 5	26	318 8 10	7	192 5 1	477 18 2	
Jasper Road ..	8th Aug. 1866	21	3	3	21	1,314 1 5	49	552 6 2	18	237 14 8	1,668 12 11	
Keilor ..	17th Sept. 1867	18	1	3	16	379 17 5	83	467 4 0	20	589 13 5	257 8 0	
Kerang ..	1st Nov. 1877	..	12	..	12	269 10 0	11	58 13 7	10	119 19 0	148 6 7	
Kew ..	1st Oct. 1866	122	42	31	133	..	37	52 0 8	..	..	52 0 8	
Kilmore ..	6th Nov. 1865	116	21	8	129	1,689 17 9	437	1,381 5 10	73	1,701 6 5	1,369 17 2	
Kingston ..	1st Jan. 1869	75	6	5	76	1,672 11 3	131	1,072 11 3	53	632 15 5	3,090 17 7	
Koroit ..	1st Oct. 1872	13	5	3	15	2,461 12 4	44	180 17 1	14	91 0 6	336 8 11	
Kyneton ..	6th Nov. 1865	191	58	43	206	126 6 5	18	277 2 8	7	205 4 3	198 4 10	
Lancefield ..	12th May 1873	52	13	6	59	2,826 10 11	381	2,356 10 11	115	1,393 2 7	3,739 19 3	
Landshorough ..	1st Jan. 1870	25	5	6	24	218 16 9	205	232 7 4	27	216 16 2	234 7 11	
Leamonth ..	1st Nov. 1869	22	6	1	27	395 5 6	50	151 9 3	14	71 0 0	475 14 9	
Lilydale ..	2nd June 1873	29	8	8	29	212 17 5	53	355 13 0	10	280 8 3	288 2 2	
Linon ..	1st Jan. 1870	57	16	16	57	128 0 7	69	201 7 5	30	271 16 2	57 11 10	
Longwood ..	1st July 1876	7	7	2	12	588 2 0	142	464 10 11	48	286 5 9	766 7 2	
Macarthur ..	18th Sept. 1869	60	7	13	54	35 12 3	39	337 1 8	16	323 10 8	48 17 3	
Majors ..	2nd May 1870	35	11	4	42	793 18 7	31	170 13 0	20	338 5 7	626 6 0	
Maldon ..	6th Nov. 1865	354	31	34	351	568 6 9	59	568 12 7	23	485 16 2	651 3 2	
Malmesbury ..	1st Nov. 1869	47	15	14	48	2,240 1 3	237	1,223 16 0	107	1,184 16 0	2,279 1 3	
Malvern ..	17th Aug. 1874	45	34	21	58	594 5 0	62	318 2 3	23	454 18 7	457 8 8	
Mansfield ..	1st Nov. 1869	85	7	14	78	245 2 0	210	483 6 7	42	375 18 1	352 10 6	
Maryborough ..	11th Sept. 1865	259	60	54	265	1,155 15 11	81	400 16 11	40	812 0 6	744 12 4	
Melton ..	1st May 1876	13	8	5	16	4,916 10 7	322	2,737 16 9	172	3,173 17 3	4,480 10 1	
Meredith ..	2nd Oct. 1871	12	2	..	14	115 9 8	36	128 5 7	10	163 0 11	80 14 4	
Merino ..	13th Nov. 1869	29	2	6	25	143 17 10	52	318 5 6	11	252 5 8	209 17 8	
Moonee Ponds ..	17th Sept. 1866	156	37	31	162	527 9 4	52	323 10 10	12	176 5 10	674 14 4	
Morang ..	1st May 1876	13	3	2	14	1,236 2 0	422	986 2 10	102	855 14 10	1,366 10 0	
Mornington ..	1st Nov. 1869	60	13	12	61	40 15 11	19	89 2 1	3	35 5 0	94 13 0	
Mortlake ..	1st Nov. 1869	50	17	10	57	1,127 8 11	106	331 10 9	41	490 6 11	962 12 9	
Mt. Blackwood ..	1st May 1873	67	11	13	65	1,793 2 11	119	1,680 14 8	36	1,145 0 4	2,328 17 3	
Mt. Egerton ..	1st Oct. 1869	59	17	22	54	924 8 6	111	360 16 5	32	259 13 10	1,025 11 1	
Moyston ..	10th May 1871	27	3	4	26	2,177 0 1	125	920 17 10	57	1,452 17 8	1,645 0 3	
Murchison ..	1st May 1875	13	9	9	13	703 9 9	13	162 7 1	25	417 15 10	478 1 0	
Nagambie ..	8th Aug. 1870	25	16	6	35	131 3 0	44	240 13 4	13	128 13 7	243 2 9	
Newstead ..	18th Sept. 1869	40	7	5	42	68 15 0	52	119 7 2	15	65 18 4	122 3 10	
Oneco ..	1st Jan. 1870	24	4	3	25	553 5 5	69	463 14 11	16	410 7 3	666 13 1	
Penshurst ..	1st Jan. 1870	16	6	6	16	501 18 8	8	76 5 4	11	178 11 9	399 12 3	
Piggoreet ..	1st Nov. 1869	94	9	26	77	147 12 7	18	168 6 7	14	70 15 2	245 4 0	
Port Albert ..	1st Dec. 1865	82	7	12	77	2,019 2 5	89	708 0 7	74	1,431 14 4	1,295 8 8	
Portarlington ..	1st Dec. 1872	25	6	6	25	1,908 16 9	84	486 19 7	41	1,044 14 6	1,351 1 10	
Portland ..	1st Dec. 1865	50	20	19	51	179 4 11	37	207 9 10	15	205 10 8	271 4 1	
Prallan ..	4th June 1866	1,067	404	273	1,198	2,086 0 11	128	870 3 2	54	1,186 6 7	1,769 17 6	
Preston ..	17th Jan. 1876	22	17	3	36	10,058 10 10	3,174	8,840 1 6	903	7,895 6 2	11,663 6 2	
Queenscliff ..	12th July 1866	123	18	8	133	166 7 0	108	361 0 6	19	86 1 3	441 6 3	
Richmond ..	1st Oct. 1867	860	310	243	927	1,380 3 9	130	654 15 10	38	769 14 5	1,265 5 2	
Richmond South ..	1st April 1876	51	74	20	105	15,123 2 0	2,303	8,815 19 10	825	8,895 15 11	11,271 0 1	
Riddell's Creek ..	16th July 1877	..	9	3	6	11,350 16 2	2,303	8,815 19 10	825	8,895 15 11	11,271 0 1	
Rochester ..	1st Dec. 1875	11	18	14	15	195 14 9	473	643 1 3	77	276 17 5	502 18 7	
Rokewood ..	15th April 1867	148	16	14	150	..	14	11 4 9	4	10 1 9	1 3 0	
Romsey ..	1st June 1874	25	..	5	20	384 12 10	102	665 10 9	44	707 10 6	342 13 1	
Rosedale ..	16th April 1868	107	22	23	106	2,072 2 4	88	906 0 7	56	1,278 14 2	2,599 8 9	
Rushworth ..	13th Nov. 1868	148	38	22	164	52 17 4	11	11 17 8	6	7 16 2	56 18 10	
Rutherglen ..	1st Dec. 1865	38	12	8	42	660 1 5	501	625 2 8	48	530 18 1	754 6 0	
St. Arnaud ..	1st Nov. 1867	92	41	22	111	2,104 0 5	912	1,459 18 8	95	920 4 6	2,647 14 7	
St. Kilda ..	4th June 1866	662	243	149	756	312 5 3	46	194 11 4	25	295 1 6	211 5 1	
Sale ..	6th Nov. 1865	295	91	64	322	814 16 1	380	792 11 2	45	671 12 11	935 14 4	
Sandhurst ..	11th Sept. 1865	932	213	211	934	6,823 18 11	1,709	5,332 8 6	545	4,679 9 1	7,476 18 4	
Saunders ..	6th Nov. 1865	481	210	137	554	3,783 15 7	524	2,101 14 0	180	2,323 4 9	3,662 4 10	
Scarsdale ..	1st Nov. 1867	58	26	20	64	15,123 2 0	1,275	9,211 18 8	598	9,997 3 7	14,337 17 1	
Sebastopol ..	1st Nov. 1869	57	10	15	52	3,063 10 7	1,412	3,666 3 4	482	2,820 5 1	3,969 8 10	
Seymour ..	1st Nov. 1869	57	10	15	52	307 5 1	155	412 1 11	48	507 14 11	361 12 1	
Skipton ..	1st Feb. 1873	40	8	5	43	1,097 12 9	57	409 9 9	82	730 18 7	776 3 11	
Smythesdale ..	1st Dec. 1865	55	15	19	51	687 4 4	76	464 10 6	31	191 0 8	960 14 2	
Snake Valley ..	1st Feb. 1873	13	3	2	14	483 16 8	55	301 17 2	16	242 14 8	542 19 2	
South Yarra ..	1st Jan. 1867	375	141	119	397	610 10 3	125	509 10 0	45	366 5 1	750 15 2	
Stawell ..	1st Dec. 1867	414	183	134	463	172 13 8	21	330 17 0	10	278 10 4	225 0 4	
Stegitz ..	1st Jan. 1870	33	4	8	29	3,945 16 2	2,289	3,769 7 3	397	3,145 14 2	4,569 9 3	
Stratford ..	1st July 1873	36	5	16	25	5,418 0 5	1,697	4,825 12 8	390	4,108 5 9	6,135 7 4	
Streatham ..	1st March 1873	2	1	..	3	392 3 5	18	190 10 1	33	382 0 4	460 13 2	
Stuartmill ..	1st April 1870	21	6	5	24	161 15 1	147	337 4 10	29	355 0 11	143 19 0	
Swan Hill ..	1st Dec. 1865	58	16	13	61	136 16 11	39	122 0 2	..	..	258 17 1	
Sunbury ..	2nd May 1870	57	8	5	60	190 9 3	44	177 13 7	12	254 17 11	113 4 11	
Talbot ..	6th Nov. 1865	225	43	49	219	798 4 7	68	400 6 9	26	471 2 1	727 9 3	
Taradale ..	1st Nov. 1869	112	10	23	99	628 0 4	65	224 18 8	28	126 18 0	726 1 0	
Tarnagulla ..	6th Nov. 1868	69	12	5	76	3,993 7 4	393	1,734 10 9	127	2,466 15 2	3,261 2 11	
Terang ..	1st Oct. 1872	9	2	..	11	562 18 5	153	430 8 5	51	490 4 9	844 2 1	
Toorak ..	17th Jan. 1870	94	17	17	94	913 17 1	87	627 15 8	32	308 0 2	886 12 7	
Traalgon ..	12th July 1875	39	13	18	34	103 5 2	30	72 11 1	4	32 19 0	142 17 3	
Vaughan ..	17th Jan. 1870	42	12	15	39	792 14 7	270	514 3 8	49	491 13 5	813 4 10	
Waldallah ..	1st Aug. 1873	5	3	..	8	568 13 3	71	373 8				

**PROGRESSIVE STATEMENT of the Money Order System in Victoria for the Decennial Period from
31st December 1867 to 31st December 1877.**

Year.	Number of Money Order Offices at 31st Dec.	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.
1868	154	3,278 0 10	73,222	247,484 0 7	61,656	214,025 15 4	134,878	461,509 15 11
1869	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
1875	224	4,959 4 8	121,094	373,435 18 10	121,924	393,383 6 2	243,018	766,819 5 0
1876	234	5,064 6 0	123,025	379,570 10 0	125,595	403,525 11 6	248,620	783,096 1 6
1877	246	5,423 10 7	131,173	395,829 6 0	133,587	423,588 8 3	264,760	819,417 14 3

**PROGRESSIVE STATEMENT of the Post Office Savings Banks in Victoria from the commencement of the
system, 11th September 1865, to 31st December 1877.**

Year.	No of Banks at 31st Dec.	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
1875	151	82,908	395,842 12 9	34,402	476,752 12 8	21,201 0 8	577,380 19 4	10,877	9,431	39,246	14 14 2½
1876	159	88,128	422,135 10 7	33,099	403,851 15 7	21,612 4 6	617,276 18 10	11,592	9,317	41,521	14 17 3¼
1877	166	93,803	430,230 2 1	34,097	418,322 17 9	22,904 15 0	652,088 18 2	12,057	9,217	44,361	14 13 11¼

THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL in account with the Depositors from 1st January to 31st December 1877.

Dr.				Cr.			
1877. 1st January to 31st Dec.			£ s. d.	1877. 1st January to 31st Dec.			£ s. d.
	To Balance from 1876	...	617,276 18 10		By Repayments to Depositors	...	418,322 17 9
	" Deposits received in 1877	...	430,230 2 1		in 1877	...	652,088 18 2
	" Interest	...	22,904 15 0		" Balance	...	
			1,070,411 15 11				1,070,411 15 11

THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL in account with the Honorable the Treasurer on account of Savings Bank Transactions for the Year 1877.

Dr.				Cr.			
1877. 1st January to 31st Dec.		£ s. d.		1877. 1st January to 31st Dec.		£ s. d.	
	To Balance, being Deposits received in 1876, and paid into Treasury January 1877	...	4,002 2 4		By Balance, being amount due by Treasury for repayment to Depositors during 1876	...	11,223 17 3
	" Deposits received in 1877	...	430,230 2 1		" Repayments to Depositors in 1877	...	418,322 17 9
	" Cash received from Treasury	...	440,318 17 7		" Cash paid into Treasury	...	447,412 8 0
	" Interest allowed to Depositors for 1877	...	22,904 15 0		" Amount due to Trust Fund for Interest credited to Depositors in 1877	...	22,904 15 0
	" Balance due from Treasury to replace money drawn from Money Order Account to repay Depositors	...	10,840 1 11		" Cash in hand awaiting lodgment in Treasury	...	8,432 0 11
			908,295 18 11				908,295 18 11

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

In September leave of absence was granted to Mr. Turner, the Deputy Postmaster-General, to visit England, his place being temporarily filled by Mr. McGowan, Inspector of Postal and Telegraph Service.

With a view to test the working of the system which has for some time been in force in the United Kingdom of employing female assistants in the different branches of the Post Office and Telegraph Department, the services of six female

sorters were engaged on the 1st June 1877, some of whom were employed in the delivery of letters at the General Post Office windows, and others in the sorting and filing of the letter bills of inland mails. It was found that these duties were satisfactorily performed, and the number of female sorters in the Melbourne office has subsequently been increased to ten.

There are now forty-three Post and Telegraph Offices in the country in charge of Postmistresses, and fifty female assistants (including the sorters above referred to) are also in the employ of the Department.

During the year six officers were transferred to other departments, the services of five were dispensed with, one retired, twenty-five resigned, and seven died.

Toward the end of the year it was decided, as an experiment, to allow the Melbourne and Suburban letter-carriers a portion of each Saturday afternoon off duty by discontinuing the last delivery on that day. As no inconvenience to the public is reported to have been caused by this arrangement, the concession of a partial holiday to the letter-carriers on Saturday will probably become permanent.

The following is a statement showing the strength and distribution of the permanent and temporary staff as at present constituted :—

STATEMENT showing the Strength and Distribution of the Permanent and Temporary Staff of the Department.

Office.	Postmasters and Telegraph Managers.	Officers, Clerks, and Operators.	Sorters.	Instrument Fitters.	Letter-carriers and Stampers.	Line-repairers and Signalmen.	Printers, &c., Assistants.	Mailmaster and Boatmen.	Office-keepers and Messengers.	Gas Engineer, Carpenters, Night-watchmen, and Constables.	Supernumeraries and Assistants.	Female Assistants.	Total.	Remarks.
Melbourne ...	...	161	91	6	51	9	12	5	50	9	102†	26	522	14 supernumeraries employed on arrival of European mail
Alexandra*	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Ararat ...	1	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	7	
Avoca ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	
Avenel ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Bacchus Marsh*	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Bairnsdale ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	3	
Ballan*	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Ballarat ...	1	9	3	...	19	2	...	...	7	...	...	2	43	16 supernumeraries employed on arrival of European mail
Beaufort ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	
Beechworth ...	1	1	2	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	8	
Belfast ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	5	
Benalla ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	
Berwick*	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Birregurra*	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Bright ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Brighton*	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	6	
Bulu Bulu ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	Line-repairer in charge
Buninyong ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Camperdown ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	
Cape Otway ...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	
Cape Schanck ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Caramut ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Carisbrook ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	
Carlton ...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	
Casterton ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	3	
Castlemaine ...	1	1	2	...	4	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	11	
Chiltern*	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Clunes ...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	5	
Colac ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	
Coleraine*	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Collingwood ...	1	1	1	...	6	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	13	
Creswick ...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	6	
Dandenong ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	
Daylesford ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	
Dromana*	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Dunolly ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	4	
East Charlton ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	
Eaglehawk*	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	
Eldorado ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmaster paid out of Contingencies
Elmore ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	
Emerald Hill*	1	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	11	
Echuca ...	1	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	9	
Fitzroy ...	1	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	9	
Footscray*	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Fryerstown ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	Postmaster paid out of Contingencies
Geelong ...	1	10	1	...	10	1	...	...	6	...	...	...	29	4 supernumeraries employed on arrival of European mail

* Postmistress paid out of Contingencies.

† These supernumeraries are only employed a portion of each month; and 49 are employed as laborers on the telegraph lines.

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.	Letter-carriers and Stampers.	Line-repairers and Signalmen.	Printers, &c., Assistants.	Mailmaster and Boatmen.	Office-keepers and Messengers.	Gas Engineer, Car- penters, Night- watchmen, and Constables.	Supernumeraries and Assistants.	Female Assistants.	Total.	Remarks.
Hamilton ...	1	1	2	...	3	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	10	
Harrow* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Hawthorn* ...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	6	
Heathcote ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	4	
Hexham* ...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Horsham ...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	6	
Hotham ...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	
Inglewood ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	4	
Jamieson ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	
Kangaroo Flat ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Kerang ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Kilmore ...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	
Koroit* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Kyneton ...	1	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	6	
Lintons* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Little River ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Longwood ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	
Majorca* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Maldon ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	
Malmesbury* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	3	
Mansfield ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Maryborough... 1	1	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	7	
Meredith ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	
Mornington* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	3	
Mortlake ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Mt. Blackwood* 1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Nagambie* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
New Gisborne* 1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Newstead* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Penshurst ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Port Albert ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Portland ...	1	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	7	
Prahran* ...	1	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	4	...	...	1	11	
Queenscliff ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	1	4	Signalman in charge
Richmond* ...	1	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	3	...	1	2	13	
Rochester ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Rosedale ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Rushworth* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Rutherglen* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Sale ...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	5	
Sandhurst ...	1	4	4	...	10	1	...	...	5	...	...	...	25	
Sandridge* ...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	6	
Sebastopol* ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	
Seymour* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	3	
Smythesdale* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Sorrento* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
South Yarra ...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	
St. Arnaud ...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	
St. Kilda* ...	1	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	4	...	...	2	15	
Stawell ...	1	2	1	...	1	1	...	...	5	...	...	...	11	Line-repairer in charge
Stockyard Creek 1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	
Streatham ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Stratford* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Stuartmill* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Swan Hill ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Talbot ...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	5	
Taradale* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	3	
Tarnagulla* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Terang* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Toorak ...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Wabdallah* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Wahgunyah* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Walhalla ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Wangaratta ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	
Warrnambool 1	3	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	10	
Williamstown 1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	7	
Wilson's Pro- montory ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Winchelsea* ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Wodonga ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	3	
Woodend ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	
Wood's Point 1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Yackandandah* 1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	
Totals ...	104	209	111	6	182	23	12	5	220	9	104	50	1,040	

* Postmistress paid out of Contingencies.

RETURN of Officers, &c., of the Melbourne Establishment, Absent from Duty on account of Illness, during the Year 1877.

Branch.	Officers, &c.		Number of Days Absent.	Remarks.
	Number Employed.	Number Absent.		
Correspondence branch ...	11	5	8	
Accounts branch ...	12	6	31	One officer absent 12 days.
Mail branch ...	71	49	407	One officer absent 31 days, two 30 days each, and six during 106 days.
Money Order and Savings Bank branch	23	7	29	One officer absent 12 days.
Stamp branch ...	5	...	...	
Dead Letter branch ...	4	2	4	
Stores and Printing branch ...	53	13	105	One officer absent 25 days, one 19 days, and one 18 days.
Electric Telegraph branch ...	83	49	488	One officer absent 95 days, one 65 days, one 42 days, and six during 125 days.

Out of thirty-five letter carriers twenty-two were absent during 298 days. Of this number one was absent 47 days, two 38 days each, one 31 days, and five during 77 days; showing nine absent during 231 days.
 Out of thirty-four telegraph messengers nineteen were absent during 84 days, two of whom were absent during 26 days.

STEAM POSTAL COMMUNICATION.

Dr.				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To	Amount of contract with the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company	...	...	90,000	0	0			
„	Premiums earned for arrival of mails in less than contract time	...	...	1,500	0	0			
„	Amount of landing and shipping Suez mails	...	...	179	0	0			
							91,679	0	0

CR.
 By Amounts chargeable to other Governments on account of Peninsular and Oriental Company's contract :—

				£	s.	d.			
	Great Britain	...	...	15,062	9	4			
	New South Wales	...	...	10,012	17	2			
	South Australia	...	...	17,906	17	8			
	Tasmania	...	...	3,709	2	10			
	Queensland	...	...	1,452	18	2			
	Western Australia	...	...	2,227	3	8			
	New Zealand	...	...	8,000	0	0			
	Fiji	...	...	6	13	8			
				58,378	2	6			
„	Estimated amount to be paid by the French Government	...	...	1,000	0	0			
„	Estimated postages collected in Victoria	...	...	17,227	4	6			
							76,605	7	0
							15,073	13	0
				£	s.	d.			
	Net cost under old contract	...	...	21,543	0	0			
	Net cost under present ditto	...	...	15,073	0	0			
				6,470	0	0			

The following are the amounts paid by Victoria on account of the undermentioned services during 1877 :—

				£	s.	d.
San Francisco Service	...	...	...	3,116	19	3
Torres Straits Service	...	...	...	591	8	6
				3,708	7	9

The contract entered into by the Victorian Government with the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company for the Melbourne and Point de Galle service, which commenced on the 1st January 1874, was made to terminate on the 1st February 1880, contingently upon twenty-four calendar months' notice being given by the Postmaster-General or the Company, that the agreement should so determine.

Formal notice has accordingly been given by the Postmaster-General that the present contract will terminate at the expiration of the period of notice above mentioned.

Representations having been made by municipal and other local bodies in the Western district that, upon the completion of the railway to Portland, there would be a considerable saving of time by the English mails, at least the letters, &c., for that portion of the colony, being landed at Portland, some correspondence upon the subject

took place with the Agent of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, who was not, however, prepared to agree to such a deviation from the terms of the present contract; the question was, however, referred by him for the consideration of the Board of Directors in London.

STATEMENT showing the Time occupied in the Voyage by the undermentioned Steamships between Plymouth and Melbourne, *viâ* the Cape of Good Hope, during the Year 1877.

Name of Steamer.	Date of Departure from Plymouth.	Date of Arrival in Melbourne.	Duration of Voyage.
			Days.
Whampoa	June 1	July 16	45
Lusitania	June 28	August 8	41
Chimborazo	August 13	September 28	46
Hankow	September 24	November 8	45
Cuzco	September 27	November 10	44
City of Santiago	October 26	December 19	54
Stadt Amsterdam	October 31	December 20	50

NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage was 46 days 10 hours and 17 minutes.

The above vessels made the homeward passage *viâ* the Suez Canal. No particulars are to hand respecting the times occupied in each case, but by a communication received from the Post Office authorities in London it appears that mails despatched from Melbourne on the 7th November per *Chimborazo* reached London *viâ* Brindisi on the 16th December, their transit from Melbourne to London having occupied thirty-nine days.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Letters, Packets, and Newspapers received and despatched by the Royal Mail Steamers in each Month during the Year 1877.

Received.					Despatched.				
Date.	Name of Vessel.	Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.	Date.	Name of Vessel.	Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.
1877.					1877.				
Jan. 7	Bangalore ...	40,065	6,269	87,484	Jan. 25	Bangalore ...	37,691	1,315	46,285
Feb. 2	Tanjore ...	42,078	7,518	94,913	Feb. 22	Tanjore ...	36,239	2,103	41,935
March 4	Assam ...	46,176	10,627	89,952	Mar. 22	Assam ...	34,578	2,107	45,087
April 1	Bangalore ...	38,230	9,099	88,594	April 17	Bangalore ...	34,342	1,780	41,512
April 27	Tanjore ...	38,381	8,023	81,338	May 15	Tanjore ...	36,964	1,864	45,507
May 26	Travancore ...	36,813	7,770	78,194	June 12	Travancore ...	36,981	1,788	45,917
June 22	Bangalore ...	40,924	8,297	83,172	July 10	Bangalore ...	37,891	2,069	47,282
July 22	Avoca ...	34,416	8,310	80,226	Aug. 7	China ...	35,820	2,081	46,292
Aug. 14	Tanjore ...	35,135	7,634	76,197	Sept. 4	Tanjore ...	35,983	1,585	48,303
Sept. 12	Siam ...	36,677	7,910	78,940	Oct. 4	Siam ...	33,814	1,577	45,673
Oct. 11	Assam ...	35,215	8,299	82,010	Nov. 1	Assam ...	32,283	2,346	43,433
Nov. 11	Tanjore ...	36,919	8,490	83,168	Nov. 29	Tanjore ...	32,134	1,753	44,384
Dec. 3	Siam ...	43,495	9,355	89,471	Dec. 28	Siam ...	28,750	1,662	49,433
	Totals ...	504,524	107,601	1,093,659		Totals ...	453,470	24,030	591,043

STATEMENT showing the Dates upon which the Royal Mail Steamers were due in Melbourne, and the Dates upon which they arrived; also the Time Occupied in the Voyage from Galle and London, during the Year 1877.

Name of Steamer.	Due in Melbourne.		Arrived in Melbourne.		Duration of Voyage from Galle.	Late.	Before appointed Time.	Duration of Voyage from London to Melbourne.	
	Date.	Time.	Date.	Time.				<i>Viâ</i> Brindisi.	<i>Viâ</i> Southampton.
	1877.		1877.		Days hrs. min.	Days hrs. min.	Days hrs. min.	Days.	Days.
Bangalore ...	Jan. 9	9 a.m.	Jan. 7	3.30 a.m.	21 9 55	...	2 5 30	44	52
Tanjore ...	Feb. 6	"	Feb. 2	5.40 a.m.	18 20 32	...	4 3 20	42	50
Assam ...	March 6	"	March 4	5.50 a.m.	21 9 50	...	2 3 10	44	52
Bangalore*	April 3	"	April 1	10.30 a.m.	21 2 20	...	1 22 30	44	52
Tanjore ...	May 1	"	April 27	1.50 p.m.	20 1 35	...	3 19 10	42	50
Travancore	May 29	"	May 26	10.45 p.m.	20 2 45	...	2 10 15	43	51
Bangalore ...	June 26	"	June 22	10.55 a.m.	20 0 25	...	3 22 5	42	50
Avoca ...	July 24	"	July 22	8.30 a.m.	22 2 45	...	2 0 30	44	52
Tanjore ...	Aug. 21	"	Aug. 14	7.20 p.m.	19 0 0	...	6 13 40	39	47
Siam ...	Sept. 18	"	Sept. 12	2.45 p.m.	19 5 45	...	5 18 15	40	48
Assam ...	Oct. 16	"	Oct. 11	11.30 a.m.	19 21 15	...	4 21 30	41	49
Tanjore ...	Nov. 13	"	Nov. 11	7 p.m.	22 22 40	...	1 14 0	44	52
Siam ...	Dec. 11	"	Dec. 3	12.20 p.m.	17 9 50	...	7 20 40	38	46

* *Bangalore*, placed in quarantine on arrival at Heads, and mails brought on by steam-tug *George Rennie*.

NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was—*viâ* Brindisi, 42 days 1 hour and 50 minutes; *viâ* Southampton, 50 days 1 hour and 50 minutes.

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; also the Time occupied in the Voyage, during the Year 1877.

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.
	1877.	1877.	1877.	Days.	Days.	1877.	1877.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.
Bangalore	Jan. 25	Mar. 12	Mar. 12	...	...	March 19	Mar. 21	2	...	46	55
Tanjore ...	Feb. 22	April 9	April 7	...	2	April 16	April 15	...	1	44	52
Assam ...	March 22	May 7	May 6	...	1	May 14	May 13	...	1	45	52
Bangalore	April 17	June 4	June 2	...	2	June 11	June 10	...	1	46	54
Tanjore ...	May 15	July 2	July 1	...	1	July 9	July 9	...	...	47	55
Travancore	June 12	July 30	July 29	...	1	Aug. 6	Aug. 9	3	...	47	58
Bangalore	July 10	Aug. 27	Aug. 25	...	2	Sept. 3	Sept. 2	...	1	46	54
China ...	Aug. 7	Sept. 24	Sept. 21	...	3	Oct. 1	Sept. 28	...	4	45	52
Tanjore ...	Sept. 4	Oct. 22	Oct. 21	...	1	Oct. 29	Oct. 27	...	2	47	53
Siam ...	Oct. 4	Nov. 19	Nov. 17	...	2	Nov. 26	Nov. 25	...	1	44	52
Assam ...	Nov. 1	Dec. 17	Dec. 16	...	1	Dec. 24	Dec. 23	...	1	45	52
		1878.	1878.			1878.	1878.				
Tanjore ...	Nov. 29	Jan. 14	Jan. 12	...	2	Jan. 21	Jan. 19	...	2	44	51
Siam* ...	Dec. 28	Feb. 11	Feb. 9	...	2	Feb. 18	Feb. 17	...	1	43	51

* The departure of the *Siam* from Melbourne was delayed one day, viz., from the 27th to the 28th December.
NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was—*via* Brindisi, 45 days 7 hours and 23 minutes; *via* Southampton, 53 days 3 hours and 41 minutes.

STATEMENT showing the Dates upon which the Mails *via* Torres Straits were due in Brisbane, and the Dates upon which they arrived; also the Time occupied on the Voyage, during the Year 1877.

Name of Vessel.	Due in Brisbane.		Arrived in Brisbane.		Late.	Before appointed Time.	Duration of Voyage from London to Brisbane.	
	Date.	Time.	Date.	Time.			Via Brindisl.	Via Southampton.
	1877.		1877.		Dys. hrs. min.	Dys. hrs. min.	Dys. hrs. min.	Dys. hrs. min.
Normanby ...	January 1	7 a.m. ...	January 1	8.10 p.m.	0 13 10	...	51 23 20	60 6 10
Bowen ...	" 29	" ...	" 29	12.30 p.m.	0 5 30	...	51 15 40	59 22 30
Somerset ...	February 26	" ...	March 1	3 p.m.	3 8 0	...	54 18 10	63 1 0
Brisbane ...	March 26	" ...	" 27	6 p.m.	1 11 0	...	52 21 10	61 4 0
Normanby ...	April 22	" ...	April 24	11 a.m.	2 4 0	...	52 14 10	60 21 0
Somerset ...	May 20	" ...	May 22	11 a.m.	2 4 0	...	52 14 10	60 21 0
Brisbane ...	June 17	" ...	June 19	9.50 a.m.	2 2 50	...	52 13 0	60 19 50
Normanby ...	July 15	" ...	July 15	7.30 p.m.	0 12 30	...	50 22 40	59 5 30
Brisbane ...	August 12	" ...	August 18	7 p.m.	6 12 0	...	56 22 10	65 5 0
Bowen ...	September 9	" ...	September 9	11 a.m.	0 4 0	...	50 14 10	58 21 0
Somerset ...	October 7	" ...	October 8	6.40 p.m.	1 11 40	...	51 21 50	60 4 40
Brisbane ...	November 4	" ...	November 4	12.45 p.m.	0 5 45	...	50 15 55	58 22 45
Bowen ...	December 3	" ...	December 3	6 a.m.	...	0 1 0	51 9 10	59 16 0
Somerset ...	" 31	" ...	" 30	9.45 a.m.	...	0 21 15	50 12 55	58 19 45

NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was—*via* Brindisi, 52 days 6 hours and 45 minutes; *via* Southampton, 60 days 13 hours and 35 minutes.

STATEMENT showing the Dates upon which the Mails *via* Torres Straits, despatched from Brisbane, were due in London, and the Dates upon which they arrived at destination; also the Time occupied on the Voyage, during the Year 1877.

Name of Vessel.	Despatched from Brisbane.		Via Brindisi.		Late.	Before appointed Time.	Via Southampton.		Late.	Before appointed Time.	Duration of Voyage from Brisbane to London.	
	Date.	Time.	Due in London.	Arrived in London.			Due in London.	Arrived in London.			Via Brindisi.	Via Southampton.
	1877.		1877.	1877.	Days	Days.	1877.	1877.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.
Somerset ...	Jan. 4	1 p.m.	Feb. 26	Mar. 1	3	...	Mar. 5	Mar. 1	...	4	56	56
Normanby ...	Feb. 1	"	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	2	...	April 2	Mar. 28	...	5	55	55
Bowen ...	Mar. 1	"	April 23	April 21	...	2	April 30	April 30	...	...	51	60
Somerset ...	Mar. 29	"	May 21	May 21	...	...	May 28	May 27	...	1	53	59
Brisbane ...	April 22	4 a.m.	June 18	June 17	...	1	June 25	June 24	...	1	56	63
Normanby ...	May 20	"	July 16	July 15	...	1	July 23	July 24	1	...	56	65
Somerset ...	June 17	"	Aug. 13	Aug. 11	...	2	Aug. 20	Aug. 18	...	2	55	62
Brisbane ...	July 15	"	Sept. 10	Sept. 4	...	6	Sept. 17	Sept. 14	...	3	51	61
Normanby*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Brisbane ...	Sept. 9	"	Nov. 5	Nov. 4	...	1	Nov. 12	Nov. 12	...	...	56	64
Bowen ...	Oct. 11	1 p.m.	Dec. 3	Dec. 1	...	2	Dec. 10	Dec. 13	3	...	51	63
				1878.			1878.	1878.				
Somerset ...	Nov. 8	"	Dec. 31	Jan. 3	3	...	Jan. 7	Jan. 3	...	4	56	56
Brisbane ...	Dec. 6	"	Jan. 28	Jan. 26	...	2	Feb. 4	Feb. 6	2	...	51	62

* The *Normanby* was stranded on Percy Island on the 13th August 1877. All mails returned to Brisbane.
NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was—*via* Brindisi, 53 days 22 hours; *via* Southampton, 60 days 12 hours.

STATEMENT showing the Dates upon which the Mails *viâ* San Francisco and Auckland were due in Sydney, and the Dates upon which they arrived ; also the Time occupied in the Voyage, during the Year 1877.

Name of Vessel.				Due in Sydney.	Arrived in Sydney.	Late.	Before appointed Time.	Duration of Voyage from London to Sydney.
				1877.	1877.	Days.	Days.	Days.
Australia	...	...	...	January 3	January 4	1	...	49
City of New York	...	...	...	January 31	February 2	2	...	50
Zealandia	...	...	...	February 28	March 3	3	...	49
City of Sydney	...	...	...	March 28	April 8	11	...	57
Australia	...	...	...	April 25	April 25	...	...	46
City of New York	...	...	...	May 23	May 26	3	...	51
Zealandia	...	...	...	June 20	June 23	3	...	51
City of Sydney	...	...	...	July 18	July 21	3	...	51
Australia	...	...	...	August 15	August 21	6	...	54
City of New York	...	...	...	September 12	September 12	...	...	48
Zealandia	...	...	...	October 10	October 12	2	...	50
City of Sydney	...	...	...	November 7	November 9	2	...	50
Australia	...	...	...	December 5	December 5	...	...	48

NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was 50 days 7 hours and 23 minutes.

STATEMENT showing the Dates upon which the Mails *viâ* San Francisco despatched from Sydney *viâ* Auckland, were due in London, and the Dates upon which they arrived at destination ; also the Time occupied in the Voyage, during the Year 1877.

Name of Vessel.				Date of Despatch.	Due in London.	Arrived in London.	Late.	Before appointed Time.	Duration of Voyage from Sydney to London.
				1877.	1877.	1877.	Days.	Days.	Days.
City of Sydney	...	...	...	January 12	March 1	March 4	3	...	51
Australia	...	...	...	February 9	March 29	March 26	...	3	45
City of New York	...	...	...	March 9	April 26	April 25	...	1	47
Zealandia	...	...	...	April 7	May 24	May 26	2	...	49
City of Sydney	...	...	...	May 4	June 21	June 19	...	2	46
Australia	...	...	...	June 1	July 19	July 17	...	2	46
City of New York	...	...	...	June 29	August 16	August 14	...	2	46
Zealandia	...	...	...	July 27	September 13	September 11	...	2	46
City of Sydney	...	...	...	August 24	October 11	October 9	...	2	46
Australia	...	...	...	September 21	November 8	November 3	...	5	43
City of New York	...	...	...	October 19	December 6	December 11	5	...	43
				1878.					
Zealandia	...	...	...	November 16	January 3	December 31	...	3	45
City of Sydney	...	...	...	December 14	January 31	January 27	...	4	44

NOTE.—The average time occupied per voyage throughout the year was 45 days 22 hours and 9 minutes.

STATEMENT showing the Average Number of Days occupied in the Transmission of the Mails between the United Kingdom and Australia by the Suez, Torres Straits, and California Routes respectively during the Year 1877.

Contracting Colony.	Australian Terminus.	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. min.	Days hrs. min.	Days hrs. min.	Days hrs. min.	Days hrs. min.	Days hrs. min.
Victoria ...	Melbourne	Suez ...	42 1 50	50 1 50	...	45 7 23	53 3 41	...
Queensland...	Brisbane	Torres Straits	52 6 45	60 13 35	...	53 22 0	60 12 0	...
New South } Wales }	Sydney...	California ...	...	...	50 7 23	...	...	45 22 9

HENRY CUTHBERT,
Postmaster-General.

Post Office and Telegraph Department,
General Post Office,
Melbourne, 30th March 1878.

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 1877 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	129,378 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	11,318 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	..	..	..
1875	855	33,492 11 9	98,498 4 3	177,756 0 1	*309,746 16 1	209,128 3 9	100,618 12 4	..	..	..
1876	886	37,321 16 8	100,268 0 3	184,068 19 8	*321,658 16 7	223,359 8 10	98,299 7 9	..	..	..
1877	948	36,009 5 3	107,368 3 11	192,717 16 3	336,095 5 5	240,627 7 8	95,467 17 9	..	..	..

Year.	Inland.			Ship— Received and Despatched.			Total.			Number 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	22,408	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	7,485,808	107,888	6,037,529	279,741
1866	6,850,000	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	238,332	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	2,590,892	1,822,863	61,844	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	418,286	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	639,900
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
1875	14,500,000	1,333,487	4,828,047	2,634,101	195,006	2,724,865	17,134,101	1,528,493	7,552,912	732,869
1876	16,000,000	1,690,000	6,130,000	2,963,503	219,391	2,880,147	18,963,503	1,909,891	9,010,147	801,946
1877	18,000,000	2,280,000	7,000,000	2,910,958	247,904	2,809,064	20,910,958	2,527,904	9,809,064	919,985

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, £24,134 for 1874, £20,988 for 1875, £11,007 for 1876 and £21,999 6s. 10d. for 1877) 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.

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

Designation of Line.	Extent in Miles (Poles).	Extent in Miles of Wire only.	Names of Stations.	Designation of Line.	Extent in Miles (Poles).	Extent in Miles of Wire only.	Names of Stations.
SOUTHERN COAST ..	137	137	Williamstown Geelong Queenscliff Sandridge Cape Schanck Flinders Mount Gambier Portland Belfast Warrnambool Terang Camperdown Colac	HEATHCOTE BRANCH ..	56	56	Heathcote Kilmore
WESTERN COAST..	258	606	Gordons Ballan Bacchus Marsh Myrniong Melton Streatham Hexham Mortlake Caramut Penshurst Hamilton Coleraine Casterton Smythesdale Scarsdale Piggoreet Linton	RUSHWORTH BRANCH ..	60	60	Rushworth Murchison Nagamble Alexandra Mansfield Jamieson Wood's Point Gaffney's Creek Yackandandah Chiltern Rutherglen Wahgunyah
NORTH-WESTERN ..	80	70	Otway Lorne Creswick Daylesford Talbot Maryborough Clunes Avoca Stuartmill St. Arnaud Tarnagulla Inglewood Durham Ox Serpentine Kerang Swan Hill Gisborne Kyneton Malmesbury Taradale Castlemaine Maldon Dunolly Echuca Rochester Seymour Longwood Benalla	WOOD'S POINT BRANCH ..	85	85	Wood's Point Gaffney's Creek Yackandandah Chiltern Rutherglen Wahgunyah
CROSS COUNTRY—WESTERN	288	333	Wangaratta Eldorado Beechworth Wodonga Albury Oakleigh Dandenong Berwick Pakenham Buln Buln Moe Traralgon Rosedale Sale Port Albert Stockyard Creek Wilson's Promontory Birregurra Winchelsea Point Lonsdale Koroit Blackwood Sebastopol Buninyong Rokewood Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	GAFFNEY'S CREEK BRANCH ..	..	12	Gaffney's Creek Yackandandah Chiltern Rutherglen Wahgunyah
CAPE OTWAY ..	75	140	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	WANGUNTAH BRANCH ..	50	50	Wahgunyah Bright Walhalla Bairnsdale Stratford Tarraville Maffra Cranbourne Hotham Carlton Collingwood Fitzroy Richmond Hawthorn Kew South Yarra Prahran Emerald Hill St. Kilda Footscray Northcote Preston Ivanhoe Heidelberg Eltham Brunswick Coburg Lilydale Portsea Sorrento Dromana Mornington Mordialloc Brighton
CROSS COUNTRY ..	216	327	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	ELTHAM BRANCH ..	6½	6½	Heidelberg Eltham Brunswick Coburg Lilydale Portsea Sorrento Dromana Mornington Mordialloc Brighton
SWAN HILL ..	155	231	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	COBURG BRANCH ..	5	5	Heidelberg Eltham Brunswick Coburg Lilydale Portsea Sorrento Dromana Mornington Mordialloc Brighton
NORTHERN ..	156	156	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	LILYDALE BRANCH ..	20	20	Heidelberg Eltham Brunswick Coburg Lilydale Portsea Sorrento Dromana Mornington Mordialloc Brighton
NORTH-EASTERN ..	215	453	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	SORRENTO BRANCH ..	10	60	Heidelberg Eltham Brunswick Coburg Lilydale Portsea Sorrento Dromana Mornington Mordialloc Brighton
GIPPSLAND ..	271	271	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	RAILWAY CIRCUITS.			Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
BIRREGURRA BRANCH ..	17	60	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	NORTHERN ..	..	196	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
POINT LONSDALE BRANCH ..	2	4	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	Sandhurst to Inglewood } 2nd wire .. }	..	19½	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
KOROIT BRANCH..	9	9	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	ARARAT TO PORTLAND, VIA HAMILTON .. }	68½	154½	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
BLACKWOOD BRANCH ..	14	14	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	WESTERN ..	12	145½	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
BUNINYONG BRANCH ..	5	7	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	SPECIAL WIRES.			Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
ROKEWOOD BRANCH ..	20	20	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	BALLARAT ..	..	97	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
HORSHAM ..	102	199	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	WILLIAMSTOWN ..	..	9½	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
INGLEWOOD BRANCH ..	30	60	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	BALLARAT TO MARYBOROUGH..	..	44	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
PORTLAND AND HAMILTON BRANCH ..	53	53	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	CASTLEMALNE TO SANDHURST	..	22	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
HARROW BRANCH ..	56½	56½	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	BENALLA ..	..	..	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
EAST CHARLTON AND WEDDERBURN BRANCH }	37½	37½	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	TERANG ..	..	134	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
MAJORCA BRANCH ..	11	11	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	EVERTON TO TARRAWINGEE ..	..	6	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
ROMSFY AND LANCEFIELD BRANCH ..	24	24	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton	SANDHURST VIA KILMORE ..	..	40	Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
CHEWTON BRANCH ..	..	3	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton				Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
FRYERSTOWN BRANCH ..	3	6	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton				Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
NEWSTEAD BRANCH ..	10	10	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton				Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
EAGLEHAWK BRANCH ..	5	5	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton				Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †
MT. EGERTON BRANCH ..	7	7	Ararat Stawell Horsham Glenorchy Learmouth Beaufort Little River Waddallah Meredith Elaine Sandhurst Inglewood Bridgewater Branchholme Heywood Harrow Balmoral Wedderburn East Charlton				Spencer street Keilor Road Sunbury Riddell's Creek Lancefield Road Macedon Woodend Kyneton Elphinstone Castlemaine Newstead Maryborough Carisbrook Sandhurst Goornong Elmore Rochester Echuca Williamstown Pier Werribee Geelong Colac † Yendon Ballarat West Beaufort Stawell Hamilton † Condah † Portland † Dunkeld Glen Thompson † Wallan Wallan Newmarket Broadmeadows * Craigieburn Kilmore Wandong * Broadford Tallaroak Seymour Avenel Longwood Euroa Violet Town Benalla Wangaratta Chiltern Wodonga Pakenham Bunyip Oakleigh † Moe Morwell * Sale †

NOTE.—Showing total of 2,884½ miles of line (poles), provided with 5,199½ miles of wire.

* Opened and closed again during year.

† Only open for transaction of railway business.

APPENDIX C.

STATISTICS of Business from 1854 to 1877, inclusive.

Year.	Cash Revenue.			Charge for Government Telegrams.		Number of Government Telegrams.	Total Number of Telegrams.	Year.	Cash Revenue.			Charge for Government Telegrams.		Number of Government Telegrams.	Total Number of Telegrams.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			
1854	223	2	7	1,037	0	5	1,570	3,869	1867	29,148	12	2	6,588	18	0	59,887	235,648
1855	3,162	13	11	3,074	11	8	2,559	12,241	1868	31,058	6	8	9,916	1	11	57,047	276,677
1856	3,225	13	5	2,422	2	3	2,685	13,174	1869	34,183	0	5	10,460	10	7	57,966	277,132
1857	10,024	16	10	3,023	12	2	6,628	60,058	1870	33,145	10	4	5,996	12	9	60,634	454,598
1858	16,474	17	10	10,126	15	10	17,834	131,486	1871	36,941	17	1	5,247	0	4	63,877	537,398
1859	25,249	17	0	21,301	8	7	31,699	197,320	1872	42,617	17	3	7,029	11	9	85,645	639,960
1860	24,955	18	2	21,270	12	2	49,918	167,872	1873	45,322	17	5	9,056	7	7	124,319	718,167
1861	25,217	5	4	8,566	13	11	40,818	184,688	1874	42,825	9	7	9,055	1	4	121,285	701,080
1862	26,834	19	8	15,466	0	9	49,038	211,685	1875	46,995	7	11	7,870	15	1	109,355	732,869
1863	25,768	15	8	18,289	8	2	78,038	234,520	1876	52,467	10	2	8,722	19	0	119,262	801,946
1864	30,601	17	11	14,375	12	0	71,939	256,380	1877	57,429	4	10	13,734	1	0	190,549	919,985
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	Totals	715,822	6	10	237,078	12	6	1,535,004	8,326,281

APPENDIX D.

LIST of Post Offices in Victoria, with Names of Postmasters and Amounts of Salaries, for 1877.

Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance.		Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance.	
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Aberfeldy ...	J. Hefferin ...	25	0 0	Barmah ...	K. McLeod ...	6	0 0
Acheron ...	J. Wylie ...	12	0 0	Barnawartha ...	M. McKeone ...	47	0 0
Adelaide Lead ...	C. Noller ...	20	0 0	Barnedown ...	T. K. Maltby ...	45	0 0
Alberton ...	N. Christenson ...	20	0 0	Barrapoort ...	J. T. Russell ...	6	0 0
Alexandra ...	Edith Synnot ...	100	0 0	Barry's Reef ...	W. Shaw ...	55	0 0
Alfredton ...	A. Berry ...	6	0 0	Bass ...	A. C. E. Ronald ...	25	0 0
Allan's Flat ...	S. Heyenga ...	12	0 0	Batesford ...	H. A. Smith ...	24	0 0
Allansford ...	J. Anderson ...	40	0 0	Baynton ...	E. Knight ...	21	0 0
Alma ...	B. Wilds ...	25	0 0	Bealiba ...	E. Lyndon ...	39	0 0
Alma, Lower ...	J. Walsh ...	20	0 0	Beaufort ...	T. Lewis ...	180	0 0
Alphington ...	J. S. Adams ...	20	0 0	Beecac ...	A. Gilbert ...	55	0 0
Amherst ...	J. P. Smith ...	52	0 0	Beechworth ...	R. B. Hodgson ...	350	0 0
Amphitheatre ...	A. Hardie ...	35	0 0	Belfast ...	J. Thwaites ...	350	0 0
Anakie ...	A. Belcher ...	21	0 0	Bellarine ...	J. Finnie ...	21	0 0
Apsley ...	M. A. Botterell ...	75	0 0	Bellevue ...	E. Hay ...	24	0 0
Ararat ...	R. Kilborn ...	350	0 0	Belmont ...	J. Williams ...	25	0 0
Arcadia ...	H. E. O'Brien ...	6	0 0	Benalla ...	W. H. Saxe ...	200	0 0
Armstrongs (Railway Station)	D. Muir ...	18	0 0	Bendoc ...	J. DeViesseux ...	25	0 0
Ascot ...	T. O. Crichton ...	18	0 0	Beremboke ...	E. U. Just ...	12	0 0
Ashens ...	L. S. Runnall ...	9	0 0	Berwick ...	Mary Greet ...	72	0 0
Avenel ...	P. Frayne ...	120	0 0	Bet Bet ...	M. Grant ...	20	0 0
Avoca ...	P. R. Arkins ...	220	0 0	Bethanga ...	J. C. Foster ...	36	0 0
Avoca Forest ...	D. Stewart ...	6	0 0	Beveridge ...	N. Fletcher ...	15	0 0
Avon Plains ...	H. Stratford ...	50	0 0	Big Hill ...	P. C. Perry ...	12	0 0
Axedale ...	W. T. Cahill ...	25	0 0	Birregurra ...	Ann Dawkins ...	100	0 0
Baarmutha ...	F. Allen ...	10	0 0	Blackburn Creek ...	G. King ...	9	0 0
Bacchus Marsh ...	Sarah H. Gearing ...	72	0 0	Black Hill ...	A. Turner ...	15	0 0
Baillieston ...	W. Oppermann ...	15	0 0	Black Lead ...	A. W. Chapman ...	15	0 0
Bairnsdale ...	B. C. Jones ...	180	0 0	Blakeville ...	J. Lilburne ...	12	0 0
Bald Hills ...	D. Slattery ...	15	0 0	Bobinawarrah ...	J. Wallace ...	18	0 0
Bald Hills (Gippsland)	C. Rumpff ...	15	0 0	Bolwarra ...	L. Hansen ...	20	0 0
Ballan ...	Martha McDonagh ...	85	0 0	Bonang ...	R. Marriott ...	15	0 0
Ballangeich ...	W. Tomlinson ...	20	0 0	Boort ...	J. Martin ...	36	0 0
Ballarat ...	W. P. Bechervaise ...	430	0 0	Bo-Peep Hill ...	D. Clarke ...	10	0 0
Ballarat East ...	G. Tress ...	25	0 0	Boweya ...	J. B. Higgins ...	6	0 0
Ballyrogan ...	P. Young ...	12	0 0	Bowman's Forest ...	P. Connor ...	35	0 0
Ballyshanassy ...	W. F. Clarke ...	21	0 0	Box Hill ...	S. Padgham ...	24	0 0
Balmattum ...	D. McKernan ...	15	0 0	Branxholme ...	M. A. Kemp ...	50	0 0
Balmoral ...	B. Lyon ...	45	0 0	Braybrook ...	J. Dickson ...	20	0 0
Balnarring ...	P. Vansuylen ...	20	0 0	Breakwater ...	C. Smith ...	20	0 0
Balwyn ...	R. Werrett ...	15	0 0	Briagolong ...	M. Fitzgerald ...	21	0 0
Bamganie ...	G. Smith ...	9	0 0	Bridgewater-on-Loddon (Railway Station)	E. Hutchinson ...	51	0 0
Banyena ...	S. McGonigal ...	18	0 0	Bright ...	E. S. Outtrim ...	180	0 0
Barber's Creek ...	T. Butler ...	9	0 0	Brighton ...	Frederika Thomas ...	80	0 0
Barfold ...	J. Latimer ...	25	0 0	Brighton East ...	J. Norquay ...	*103	0 0
Baringhup ...	C. Lawrence ...	27	0 0	Brighton South ...	J. G. Reynolds ...	*63	0 0
Baringhup East ...	A. Way ...	6	0 0	Brimboal ...	T. J. Ross ...	12	0 0
Barker's Creek ...	R. Davey ...	18	0 0	Broadford ...	J. McLiesh ...	45	0 0
Barkly ...	J. Cheesman ...	15	0 0	Broadmeadows ...	G. Couser ...	35	0 0
Barkstead ...	C. W. Caddy ...	20	0 0	Broken Creek ...	M. O'Connor ...	12	0 0

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Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance.	Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance.
		£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Broomfield ...	H. Mitchell ...	21 0 0	Clydesdale ...	E. Sutcliff ...	10 0 0
Brown Hills ...	F. Bradbury ...	40 0 0	Cobden ...	W. Brown ...	39 0 0
Brown's Diggings ...	J. Booth ...	15 0 0	Cobram ...	J. Webster ...	9 0 0
Brown's Plains ...	J. Dunkerley ...	20 0 0	Coburg ...	Sarah A. Reid ...	*186 0 0
Brunswick ...	J. George ...	*220 0 0	Coghill's Creek ...	E. N. Collas ...	25 0 0
Bruthen ...	R. McDougall ...	35 0 0	Cohuna ...	M. Garden ...	27 0 0
Buangor ...	R. G. Hornsby ...	64 0 0	Coimadai Creek ...	W. Doubleday ...	12 0 0
Buckland ...	M. White ...	30 0 0	Colac ...	F. Dore ...	240 0 0
Buckrabanyule ...	J. Howard ...	15 0 0	Colbinabbin ...	R. H. Horsburg ...	18 0 0
Bulgoback ...	J. Hardy ...	10 0 0	Coleraine ...	Louisa E. Kinahan ...	130 0 0
Bulla ...	W. Bethell ...	25 0 0	Coliban Junction ...	S. Alford ...	10 0 0
Bullarook ...	W. James ...	12 0 0	Collingwood ...	J. Colles ...	350 0 0
Bullarto ...	W. C. Bass ...	9 0 0	Condah ...	R. McLean ...	36 0 0
Bullengarook ...	W. Gorman ...	10 0 0	Connewarre ...	H. Parsons ...	20 0 0
Buln Buln ...	J. C. Ryan ...	148 4 0	Conover ...	R. Quick ...	20 0 0
Bulumwaal ...	J. Fletcher ...	9 0 0	Coongulmerang ...	G. Allen ...	21 0 0
Bundalong ...	W. Hendry ...	9 0 0	Cooper's Creek ...	J. Day ...	18 0 0
Bundoora ...	W. Emms ...	15 0 0	Cope Cope ...	W. H. Gray ...	30 0 0
Bung Bong ...	C. Bennett ...	15 0 0	Corack ...	J. Glowry ...	15 0 0
Bung Bong (Railway Station)	B. F. Wiseman ...	6 0 0	Corindhap ...	D. E. Thomas ...	33 0 0
Bungaree ...	T. Chalmers ...	25 0 0	Corinella ...	J. Mitchell ...	9 0 0
Bungeeluke ...	J. Pemberthy ...	27 0 0	Corop ...	M. Jacobson ...	45 0 0
Buninyong ...	G. A. Firman ...	150 0 0	Corryong ...	T. R. Donaldson ...	20 0 0
Bunyip (Railway Station)	J. McCraith ...	6 0 0	Costerfield ...	A. E. Field ...	36 0 0
Burke's Flat ...	F. T. Goullet ...	27 0 0	Couangalt ...	J. Benson ...	15 0 0
Burnt Creek ...	J. G. Russell ...	15 0 0	Cove ...	J. Laidlaw ...	20 0 0
Burrabunna ...	F. Busse ...	10 0 0	Cowes ...	J. West ...	35 0 0
Burramine ...	W. Smith ...	15 0 0	Cowie's Creek ...	C. J. Jones ...	9 0 0
Burrunbeet (Railway Station)	D. McDonald ...	51 0 0	Cowwar ...	T. Gebhardt ...	20 0 0
Buttlejork ...	J. Murphy ...	15 0 0	Craigie ...	S. G. Sundberg ...	25 0 0
Buxton ...	A. Scott ...	6 0 0	Craigieburn (Railway Station)	J. Melville ...	18 0 0
Byaduk ...	J. Ross ...	25 0 0	Cranbourne ...	A. Thomson ...	54 0 0
California Gully ...	J. Miller ...	27 0 0	Cressy ...	T. A. Hall ...	30 0 0
Callawadda ...	M. Joyce ...	12 0 0	Creswick ...	W. W. Williams ...	225 0 0
Camberwell ...	T. Keen ...	*67 0 0	Crossley ...	J. Malone ...	15 0 0
Cambrian Hill ...	J. Renkin ...	21 0 0	Crossover Diggings ...	J. Veysey ...	15 0 0
Campaspe ...	J. O'Brien ...	20 0 0	Crowlands ...	S. J. Wilkinson ...	25 0 0
Campbellfield ...	G. Stranks ...	25 0 0	Croxton East ...	A. S. Lane ...	15 0 0
Campbell's Creek ...	T. Pattle ...	*100 0 0	Cndgee ...	C. Powling ...	15 0 0
Campbell's Forest ...	J. Evans ...	9 0 0	Cundare ...	B. Harlock ...	15 0 0
Campbelltown East ...	J. Smith ...	9 0 0	Cunninghame ...	J. Roadknight ...	9 0 0
Camperdown ...	J. Duigan ...	200 0 0	Curlewis ...	W. Bramme ...	20 0 0
Canterbury ...	M. Wall ...	6 0 0	Dandenong ...	J. Dobson ...	100 0 0
Cape Clear ...	A. L. Gibson ...	30 0 0	Dargalong ...	T. Tidbould ...	20 0 0
Caramut ...	E. McDonald ...	120 0 0	Dargo Flat ...	A. H. B. Kelly ...	20 0 0
Carapooee ...	S. J. Edleston ...	15 0 0	Darlingford ...	J. Dunn ...	30 0 0
Cardigan ...	J. W. Surman ...	15 0 0	Darlington ...	S. D. Hodgson ...	40 0 0
Cargarie ...	J. Hewitt ...	20 0 0	Darraweit Guim ...	M. A. Francis ...	25 0 0
Carisbrook (Railway Station)	J. Wotherspoon ...	48 0 0	Dartmoor ...	Mary McPherson ...	20 0 0
Carlsruhe ...	J. Phillips ...	15 0 0	Daylesford ...	T. Reed ...	250 0 0
Carlsruhe (Railway Station)	A. Cobham ...	25 0 0	Dean ...	C. Maples ...	30 0 0
Carlton ...	C. G. Lawson ...	80 0 0	Dean's Marsh ...	J. Schram ...	30 0 0
Carngham ...	W. H. Jennings ...	21 0 0	Dederang ...	G. Oliver ...	6 0 0
Carpendeit ...	P. Morrison ...	10 0 0	Deep Lead ...	M. J. Sweetman ...	30 0 0
Cashel ...	H. Playford ...	48 0 0	Delatite ...	W. Lovick ...	10 0 0
Casterton ...	J. J. Barry ...	180 0 0	Dennington ...	A. O'Sullivan ...	20 0 0
Castlemaine ...	T. Green ...	350 0 0	Deptford ...	H. McKinnon ...	6 0 0
Cathcart ...	G. Ahrendts ...	15 0 0	Dereel ...	C. Brown ...	10 0 0
Caulfield ...	R. Boxill ...	*12 0 0	Denicull Creek ...	S. Couper ...	20 0 0
Cavendish ...	A. McCallum ...	39 0 0	Derby (Railway Station)	J. Wilson ...	15 0 0
Ceres ...	J. Clarke ...	27 0 0	Dergholm ...	W. R. Thompson ...	27 0 0
Charlton ...	G. Dobie ...	12 0 0	Derrimut ...	R. Hopkins ...	10 0 0
Charlton East ...	H. Wittenbach ...	90 0 0	Derrinallum ...	A. G. Doughney ...	25 0 0
Chatsworth ...	A. J. Murray ...	18 0 0	Devenish ...	E. Battenberg ...	25 0 0
Cheltenham ...	T. Chandler ...	36 0 0	Diamond Creek ...	J. F. L. Edmonds ...	25 0 0
Chepstowe ...	T. Tindall ...	24 0 0	Diamond Hill ...	J. Nixon ...	20 0 0
Chetwynd ...	W. D. Clarke ...	15 0 0	Digby ...	M. Townsend ...	30 0 0
Chewton ...	J. Lamb ...	*101 0 0	Diggersrest (Railway Station)	R. Donnelly ...	30 0 0
Chiltern ...	Bessie Morrow ...	100 0 0	Diggora ...	P. Roney ...	9 0 0
Chinaman's Flat ...	E. Beedon ...	39 0 0	Dimboola ...	W. H. Lloyd ...	100 0 0
Christmas Hill ...	T. Young ...	10 0 0	Dobie's Bridge ...	W. Maloney ...	20 0 0
Clarendon ...	A. McDonald ...	20 0 0	Docker's Plains ...	H. S. Parfitt ...	20 0 0
Clarke's Hill ...	T. Harrison ...	15 0 0	Dolly's Creek ...	R. Nesbitt ...	9 0 0
Clunes ...	J. L. Collier ...	350 0 0	Dona Mungi ...	N. Chenhall ...	15 0 0
Clyde ...	A. Manks ...	15 0 0	Donald ...	J. A. Meyer ...	104 0 0
Clydebank ...	J. Henry ...	10 0 0	Doncaster ...	H. G. Reynolds ...	20 0 0
			Donnelly's Creek ...	R. H. Bake ...	18 0 0
			Doon ...	Robt. Grant ...	6 0 0
			Doogalook ...	M. Kemp ...	15 0 0

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		£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Doon ...	E. Arbuthnot ...	24 0 0	Geelong West ...	J. Birrell ...	25 0 0
Dromana ...	M. Hansell ...	60 0 0	Gembrook ...	D. Crichton ...	6 0 0
Drouin ...	J. Sutherland ...	27 0 0	Germantown ...	A. Benare ...	20 0 0
Drouin Junction ...	Mary A. Higgs ...	33 0 0	Gheringhap ...	W. Moore ...	15 0 0
Drummond ...	M. M. Bourke ...	15 0 0	Gipsy Village ...	M. Lewis ...	10 0 0
Drik Drik ...	C. S. Dunbar ...	15 0 0	Gisborne ...	R. Haines ...	55 0 0
Drung Drung ...	T. F. Peake ...	20 0 0	Glenaroua ...	A. T. Dunn ...	6 0 0
Dry Creek ...	J. Pemberton ...	15 0 0	Glendaruel ...	W. H. Walsh ...	9 0 0
Dry Diggings ...	T. Elliott ...	15 0 0	Glendonald ...	A. Gillan ...	15 0 0
Drysdale ...	C. Brazier ...	45 0 0	Glengower ...	A. McDonald ...	30 0 0
Dunach ...	C. H. Corfield ...	25 0 0	Glenluce ...	H. Knapman ...	10 0 0
Dunkeld ...	S. Fisher ...	70 0 0	Glenlyon ...	J. MacFarlan ...	30 0 0
Dunkeld (Railway Station)	C. F. Cutton ...	51 0 0	Glenmaggie ...	A. Weekes ...	15 0 0
Dunnstown ...	D. Darcey ...	15 0 0	Glenorchy ...	J. Wallace ...	65 0 0
Dunolly ...	H. F. O'Connell ...	350 0 0	Glenpark ...	J. J. Glen ...	10 0 0
Duridwarrah ...	R. E. Ellison ...	33 0 0	Glenrowan ...	H. J. Reynolds ...	36 0 0
Durham Lead ...	Robt. Lamb ...	24 0 0	Glenhompson ...	E. England ...	39 0 0
Durham Ox ...	A. Morrison ...	71 0 0	Glenvale ...	E. Gibney ...	15 0 0
Eaglehawk ...	Julia Mulcahy ...	100 0 0	Gnarwarre ...	P. Corbett ...	20 0 0
Eastville ...	Joseph Slee ...	6 0 0	Gobur ...	G. E. Simcocks ...	27 0 0
Echuca ...	D. W. Forbes ...	350 0 0	Golden Gully ...	J. Coyle ...	12 0 0
Echuca East ...	S. J. Lawrence ...	18 0 0	Golden Lake ...	J. R. Walters ...	20 0 0
Echunga ...	D. Sutherland ...	15 0 0	Golden Point ...	E. Hopper ...	15 0 0
Eddington ...	T. Ryan ...	50 0 0	Golden Square ...	W. H. Bienvenu ...	45 0 0
Edenhope ...	W. H. Cranage ...	50 0 0	Goldie ...	J. Douglas ...	15 0 0
Edgecombe ...	G. Gillain ...	12 0 0	Goldsboro' Reef ...	T. N. King ...	15 0 0
Eganstown ...	D. Vanderbilt ...	25 0 0	Gong Gong ...	G. F. Chamberlain ...	18 0 0
Elaine ...	G. Munro ...	55 0 0	Gooley's Creek ...	T. Thwaites ...	6 0 0
Eldorado ...	H. Horrocks ...	100 0 0	Goornong (Railway Stat.)	E. Conboy ...	60 0 0
Ellerslie ...	S. A. Coughlan ...	15 0 0	Gooroc ...	M. Egan ...	15 0 0
Elmhurst ...	H. Spiers ...	27 0 0	Gordons ...	S. M. Robertson ...	45 0 0
Elmore (Railway Station)	W. D. McKee ...	55 0 0	Gowar ...	S. W. Butler ...	10 0 0
Elphinstone (Railway Station)	W. F. Fitzpatrick ...	48 0 0	Graham's Hill ...	J. M. Thomsett ...	10 0 0
Elsternwick ...	G. Morris ...	*105 0 0	Grant ...	J. Travis ...	50 0 0
Eltham ...	A. Hanniford ...	30 0 0	Grantville ...	J. Dickens ...	15 0 0
Emerald Hill ...	Isabella Landells ...	120 0 0	Graytown ...	W. Oddy ...	33 0 0
Emu ...	J. F. Collins ...	6 0 0	Great Western (Railway Station)	J. Baker ...	30 0 0
Emu Creek ...	J. Owen ...	27 0 0	Greendale ...	G. Williams ...	25 0 0
Emu Flat ...	W. Kidd ...	6 0 0	Green Gully ...	J. Lauer ...	15 0 0
Enfield ...	D. Kelly ...	15 0 0	Green Hill ...	D. Fraser ...	9 0 0
Enoch's Point ...	E. Kelly ...	15 0 0	Greensborough ...	J. Iredale ...	20 0 0
Ensay ...	H. Johnston ...	20 0 0	Green's Creek ...	C. F. Proctor ...	15 0 0
Epping ...	F. Vockenshaw ...	25 0 0	Greenvale ...	G. R. Hancock ...	15 0 0
Epsom ...	R. Sharp ...	35 0 0	Gre Gre ...	E. Dowling ...	21 0 0
Essendon ...	J. West ...	15 0 0	Grenville ...	J. R. Elliott ...	15 0 0
Estcourt ...	J. Pratt ...	15 0 0	Greta ...	S. Ellis ...	20 0 0
Eurambeen ...	M. Kelly ...	12 0 0	Griffith's Point ...	G. Hull ...	25 0 0
Euroa (Railway Station)	T. Gorman ...	54 0 0	Guildford ...	J. Sinclair ...	70 0 0
Eurobin ...	S. Winter ...	15 0 0	Gunbower ...	H. Hall ...	15 0 0
Evansford ...	R. Hastie ...	20 0 0	Gundowing ...	W. C. Howard ...	9 0 0
Eversley ...	H. H. Mansfield ...	25 0 0	Haddon ...	H. Sims ...	33 0 0
Everton ...	T. Davenport ...	29 0 0	Hamilton ...	G. Harriott ...	350 0 0
Everton (Railway Stat.)	N. McCann ...	28 0 0	Happy-go-Lucky ...	C. Collins ...	16 0 0
Faraday ...	J. Boyle ...	10 0 0	Happy Valley ...	W. Craig ...	30 0 0
Fawkner ...	J. M. Fawkner ...	6 0 0	Harcourt ...	A. MacMacking ...	21 0 0
Fernbank ...	J. Scott ...	18 0 0	Hardie's Hill ...	R. Lawrence ...	6 0 0
Fernhurst ...	G. H. Tatchell ...	15 0 0	Harkaway ...	J. Hessell ...	15 0 0
Fernshawe ...	A. M. Hossack ...	15 0 0	Harrierville ...	G. Jones ...	21 0 0
Ferntree Gully ...	W. K. Ross ...	20 0 0	Harrow ...	Gertrude M. Creagh ...	85 0 0
Fitzroy ...	E. Mirams ...	150 0 0	Hartwell ...	M. A. Sturtevant ...	9 0 0
Flemington ...	A. B. Brady ...	*205 0 0	Hastings ...	H. Peddle ...	24 0 0
Flinders ...	A. Worrall ...	25 0 0	Havelock (Railway Stat.)	J. H. McCarthy ...	12 0 0
Flynn's Creek ...	D. Barclay ...	15 0 0	Hawkesdale ...	T. Martin ...	24 0 0
Footscray ...	Margaret Larritt ...	72 0 0	Hawthorn ...	Margt. M. Haverty ...	90 0 0
Forbes ...	E. O'Dwyer ...	15 0 0	Hawthorn (Lower) ...	C. Nicholls ...	42 0 0
Forest Hill ...	R. Peacock ...	10 0 0	Hazelglen ...	A. Smith ...	15 0 0
Fort Cameron ...	W. H. Bilton ...	18 0 0	Hazelwood ...	J. Gooding ...	15 0 0
Framlingham ...	J. Munro ...	15 0 0	Hayami ...	K. S. Horne ...	18 0 0
Franklinford ...	W. Bamstead ...	21 0 0	Healesville ...	M. Cameron ...	27 0 0
Frankston ...	S. M. Savage ...	33 0 0	Heathcote ...	H. J. T. Tymms ...	180 0 0
Freeburgh ...	P. McKay ...	15 0 0	Hedi ...	J. Kerr ...	6 0 0
Freshwater Creek ...	M. Mayall ...	15 0 0	Heidelberg ...	F. Dunn ...	*110 0 0
Fryerstown ...	S. H. Hazlett ...	152 0 0	Hepburn ...	J. Hill ...	25 0 0
Fyansford ...	J. Littlewood ...	18 0 0	Hesket ...	J. T. Meagher ...	15 0 0
Gaffney's Creek ...	J. Weatherhead ...	90 0 0	Hesse ...	E. M. Jenner ...	15 0 0
Gapsted ...	J. McKeone ...	9 0 0	Hexham ...	S. Hannah ...	40 0 0
Garvoc ...	J. Toleman ...	36 0 0	Heyfield ...	A. Marshal ...	24 0 0
Geelong ...	S. C. Vivian ...	485 0 0	Heywood ...	A. McKeand ...	65 0 0
Geelong East ...	F. Stone ...	15 0 0	Highton ...	J. Nicol ...	25 0 0
			Hill Plain ...	A. Argus ...	21 0 0

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		£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Hillsborough ...	J. Brown ...	20 0 0	Ledcourt ...	T. W. Dadswell ...	20 0 0
Hinnoomungie ...	E. Jeffery ...	6 0 0	Leigh Creek ...	J. Byrne ...	15 0 0
Hochkirch ...	O. Muller ...	20 0 0	Leneva ...	G. S. Manus ...	6 0 0
Homebush ...	J. McKinnon ...	15 0 0	Leonard's Hill ...	J. Wilkie ...	18 0 0
Horsham ...	J. Fraser ...	250 0 0	Lethbridge ...	C. Ross ...	21 0 0
Hotham ...	J. McGibbon ...	250 0 0	Lexton ...	W. Fairlie ...	35 0 0
Hotspur ...	J. McEachern ...	15 0 0	Lilydale ...	F. W. Perrin ...	57 0 0
Huntly ...	B. Cartnell ...	40 0 0	Lintons ...	Georgina Montgo-	72 0 0
Hurdle Flat ...	G. Armstrongs ...	15 0 0		mery	
Illabarook ...	A. Russell ...	15 0 0	Lismore ...	J. Parry ...	35 0 0
Illowa ...	A. Johnstone ...	12 0 0	Little Bendigo ...	O. Skogland ...	20 0 0
Indigo ...	C. Robinson ...	20 0 0	Little Hampton ...	J. Thompson ...	6 0 0
Inglewood ...	J. H. Kibble ...	180 0 0	Little River (Railway	W. Madden ...	36 0 0
Inglewood (Old)	M. Power ...	10 0 0	Station)		
Inkermann ...	J. E. Matthews ...	10 0 0	Lockwood ...	S. Espie ...	40 0 0
Inverleigh ...	R. Murray ...	35 0 0	Longerenong ...	T. Davey ...	35 0 0
Irrewillipe ...	J. S. Camm ...	10 0 0	Longford ...	J. Flint ...	6 0 0
Italian Gully ...	J. Dowd ...	6 0 0	Long Gully ...	A. Daniel ...	35 0 0
Ivanhoe ...	E. Crisp ...	21 0 0	Longwood ...	F. St. Leger ...	150 0 0
Jamieson ...	H. J. Howson ...	150 0 0	Lord Clyde ...	A. B. Rofe ...	6 0 0
Janefield ...	M. McFarlane ...	24 0 0	Lorne ...	T. Mountjoy ...	32 0 0
Jan Juc ...	G. Cunningham ...	9 0 0	Lower Buckland ...	J. Dunphy ...	20 0 0
Jarklin ...	W. Hardy ...	27 0 0	Lower Cape Bridgewater	C. Hedditch ...	10 0 0
Jasper Road ...	W. Ward ...	*56 0 0	Loyola ...	T. Allen ...	20 0 0
Jordan ...	R. J. Donaldson ...	25 0 0	Lyal ...	J. Dunston ...	12 0 0
Joyce's Creek (Rly. Stn.)	H. D. Hollingsworth	25 0 0	Lyndhurst ...	P. Walker ...	10 0 0
Kalkallo ...	P. Crichton ...	21 0 0	Lyndhurst South ...	D. Aherne ...	10 0 0
Kalkee ...	S. H. Sleator ...	9 0 0	Lysterfield ...	E. Pitfield ...	6 0 0
Kalymna ...	W. Pearson ...	15 0 0	Macarthur ...	J. Law ...	50 0 0
Kamarooka ...	A. Goy ...	12 0 0	Macedon (Railway Station)	W. Maude ...	54 0 0
Kangaroo Flat ...	W. Davidson ...	60 0 0	Mack's Creek ...	J. Dellar ...	15 0 0
Kangaroo Ground ...	W. McLaughlin ...	33 0 0	McIntyres ...	M. Dowson ...	20 0 0
Karabeak ...	R. Donelan ...	12 0 0	Maffra ...	E. Macarthur ...	70 0 0
Karimba ...	C. Gifford ...	18 0 0	Magpie ...	R. Lewis ...	20 0 0
Katandra ...	D. Webster ...	6 0 0	Maidentown ...	A. Black ...	15 0 0
Keilor ...	R. G. Ely ...	30 0 0	Maidstone ...	W. Pullar ...	20 0 0
Keilor Road (Railway	H. Juckes ...	33 0 0	Maindample ...	M. Aylward ...	15 0 0
Station)			Main Lead ...	J. Riedy ...	10 0 0
Kellalac ...	W. Bruce ...	6 0 0	Majorca ...	Jessie Phillips ...	60 0 0
Kensington ...	S. J. McWilliams ...	21 0 0	Maldon ...	G. E. Groves ...	220 0 0
Kerang ...	A. Ellis ...	148 4 0	Malden ...	Annie E. Argyle ...	90 0 0
Kergunyah ...	J. P. B. Ffrost ...	15 0 0	Malvern ...	W. J. Wilson ...	*136 0 0
Kew ...	F. Barnard ...	*235 0 0	Mandurang ...	V. Pranker ...	9 0 0
Kewell ...	M. Coffey ...	33 0 0	Mangalore ...	M. Barron ...	12 0 0
Kewell West ...	D. Griffiths ...	6 0 0	Mansfield ...	G. W. Newland ...	150 0 0
Khull's Range ...	C. Macdougall ...	9 0 0	Marong (Railway Station)	M. Corbett ...	35 0 0
Kialla ...	J. Furphy ...	15 0 0	Maroona ...	E. Wyatt ...	20 0 0
Kialla West ...	F. Whitfield ...	18 0 0	Marshalltown ...	W. J. Morrison ...	20 0 0
Kiewa ...	J. Lawson ...	65 0 0	Maryborough ...	C. M. Maplestone ...	350 0 0
Killarney ...	J. J. Madden ...	50 0 0	Maryfield ...	C. McMaster ...	10 0 0
Kilmore ...	P. K. Tucker ...	200 0 0	Marysville ...	M. Keppel ...	24 0 0
Kilmore East (Railway	J. H. Williams ...	21 0 0	Matlock ...	F. Drake ...	45 0 0
Station)			Maude ...	T. Biles ...	15 0 0
Kimberley ...	C. Sanders ...	10 0 0	Melton ...	J. Ferris ...	45 0 0
Kingower ...	F. W. Wallis ...	27 0 0	Meredith ...	W. Lowe ...	60 0 0
Kingston ...	T. Russell ...	48 0 0	Merino ...	F. Ford ...	54 0 0
Kinypaniel ...	S. Rickards ...	9 0 0	Merriang ...	H. Hartley ...	15 0 0
Kiora ...	L. J. Biggin ...	27 0 0	Merrigum ...	W. Baldwin ...	25 0 0
Kirkstall ...	J. Reidy ...	20 0 0	Merton ...	J. Nolan ...	40 0 0
Koetong ...	W. Lightbound ...	27 0 0	Metcalfe ...	W. Bone ...	20 0 0
Kooroocheang ...	J. James ...	20 0 0	Mia Mia ...	T. Dwyer ...	35 0 0
Koroit ...	Agnes Hayes ...	72 0 0	Mickleham ...	J. Edis ...	20 0 0
Kyneton ...	H. B. Bristow ...	350 0 0	Middle Creek ...	W. Potter ...	20 0 0
Laanecoorie ...	G. Gardiner ...	25 0 0	Middleton ...	E. Cawood ...	10 0 0
Laen ...	J. Bankin ...	12 0 0	Milawa ...	C. Gardiner ...	42 0 0
Lake Bolac ...	W. E. Veale ...	45 0 0	Minersrest ...	J. Blennerhassett ...	25 0 0
Lake Mundi ...	J. E. Gilding ...	6 0 0	Minyip ...	S. G. Morrison ...	33 0 0
Lake Rowan ...	J. Swannell ...	21 0 0	Mitiamo ...	R. F. Dyke ...	42 0 0
Lake Town ...	A. F. Wane ...	21 0 0	Mitta Mitta ...	M. Thompson ...	15 0 0
Lal Lal (Railway Station)	C. H. Orr ...	42 0 0	Modewarre ...	E. Ash ...	20 0 0
Lamplough ...	P. M. Fogarty ...	20 0 0	Moe ...	J. Walker ...	58 0 0
Lancefield ...	J. N. Beasley ...	60 0 0	Molesworth ...	C. K. Cook ...	15 0 0
Lancefield Road (Rail-	W. W. Moule ...	36 0 0	Moliagul ...	R. Leck ...	20 0 0
way Station)			Monegatta ...	G. Miscamble ...	10 0 0
Landsborough ...	J. Johnston ...	75 0 0	Moolap ...	A. E. Yeoman ...	12 0 0
Langley ...	J. Twyford ...	61 0 0	Moolort (Railway Sta-	M. Reardon ...	15 0 0
Lara (Railway Station)	M. Walker ...	40 0 0	tion)		
Larport ...	J. McKay ...	26 0 0	Moonambel ...	C. Middleton ...	65 0 0
Lauriston ...	J. Crymble ...	40 0 0	Moonee Ponds ...	J. T. Hinkins ...	*210 0 0
Lawloit ...	J. McNevin ...	10 0 0	Moorabool (Railway	J. O'Connor ...	12 0 0
Learmonth ...	G. McKay ...	55 0 0	Station)		

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Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance.			Office.	Name.	Salary or Allowance.		
		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
Moorabool Creek ...	M. Stokes ...	15	0	0	Newtown-Scarsdale ...	G. D. Knight ...	27	0	0
Moorilim ...	M. Kearney ...	20	0	0	Nirranda ...	J. Lee ...	15	0	0
Moorookyle ...	J. Isherwood ...	18	0	0	Noorat ...	M. J. Carson ...	41	0	0
Mooroopna ...	E. Florance ...	70	0	0	Nooradjuha ...	J. Treadwell ...	6	0	0
Mooroopna North ...	J. Kilpatrick ...	10	0	0	North Barnawartha ...	H. Grimes ...	10	0	0
Morang ...	H. M. Thomson ...	36	0	0	Northcote ...	E. Bastings ...	*93	0	0
Morang South ...	J. Quick ...	15	0	0	North Redesdale ...	J. Hunt ...	12	0	0
Mordialloc ...	E. Saunders ...	30	0	0	Nuggety Reef ...	J. Moir ...	10	0	0
Mornington ...	Fanny Reed ...	84	0	0	Oaklands Junction ...	J. Dewar ...	15	0	0
Morrison's Diggings ...	T. Adamson ...	40	0	0	Oakleigh ...	W. H. Wastell ...	51	0	0
Mortlake ...	D. J. O'Brien ...	150	0	0	Omeo ...	E. J. Johnson ...	45	0	0
Morton Plains ...	J. Miller ...	25	0	0	Opossum Gully ...	E. C. Webb ...	15	0	0
Morwell ...	M. A. Smith ...	24	0	0	Ormond ...	M. Harrington ...	6	0	0
Morwell (Railway Station)	T. Hayes ...	6	0	0	Orford ...	M. Horan ...	20	0	0
Mosquito Flat ...	W. Morris ...	15	0	0	Orville ...	J. E. Cherry ...	45	0	0
Mount Beckworth ...	T. Dunn ...	15	0	0	Osborn's Flat ...	S. Down ...	12	0	0
Mount Blackwood ...	Emma L. Hansen ...	75	0	0	Oxley ...	R. Dunlop ...	51	0	0
Mount Blowhard ...	F. Carver ...	25	0	0	Pakenham ...	K. A. Bourke ...	55	0	0
Mount Bolton ...	R. K. Sanderson ...	30	0	0	Panmure ...	J. Anderson ...	35	0	0
Mount Cameron ...	M. Holden ...	15	0	0	Pannooabamawn ...	C. L. Pinner ...	27	0	0
Mount Clear ...	J. Davidson ...	20	0	0	Pannoomilloo ...	G. E. Poyser ...	6	0	0
Mount Cole ...	J. Butt ...	15	0	0	Panton Hill ...	J. Hude ...	15	0	0
Mount Cotterell ...	C. Tanner ...	20	0	0	Pastoria ...	J. Donovan ...	10	0	0
Mount Doran ...	W. Montgomery ...	25	0	0	Penshurst ...	F. W. Rackham ...	150	0	0
Mount Duneed ...	C. Lamond ...	20	0	0	Percydale ...	H. Wise ...	30	0	0
Mount Egerton ...	R. W. Tanner ...	48	0	0	Pettavel ...	C. Marende ...	10	0	0
Mount Gellibrand ...	J. E. Luscombe ...	60	0	0	Piggoreet ...	E. Blythman ...	33	0	0
Mount Greenock ...	J. McLennan ...	20	0	0	Pimpinio ...	J. Taylor ...	18	0	0
Mount Jeffcott ...	J. Chamin ...	15	0	0	Pine Grove ...	J. O'Brien ...	21	0	0
Mount Mercer ...	J. Forbes ...	18	0	0	Pine Lodge ...	J. Sumpton ...	15	0	0
Mount Moriac ...	C. J. Elden ...	40	0	0	Piper's Creek ...	W. Story ...	15	0	0
Mount Pleasant ...	M. D. Barbour ...	15	0	0	Pirron Yaloak ...	R. B. Macafee ...	30	0	0
Mount Prospect ...	J. Durose ...	20	0	0	Pitfield ...	J. Crowe ...	10	0	0
Mount Rowan ...	J. Elliott ...	20	0	0	Point Henry ...	J. Paterson ...	15	0	0
Mount Wallace ...	R. Robertson ...	15	0	0	Pomborneit ...	C. H. Bowker ...	20	0	0
Mount Wycheproof ...	F. Passey ...	27	0	0	Porcupine Flat ...	D. F. Martin ...	10	0	0
Moutajup ...	J. Lane ...	15	0	0	Pore-Punka ...	W. Hooper ...	45	0	0
Moyhu ...	M. J. Moore ...	27	0	0	Port Albert ...	J. Ferris ...	180	0	0
Moyston ...	D. Sullivan ...	45	0	0	Portarlington ...	R. Wright ...	30	0	0
Muckleford ...	E. Thwaites ...	40	0	0	Port Campbell ...	H. McIntyre ...	10	0	0
Muckleford South ...	M. Monks ...	15	0	0	Portland ...	G. S. Caldwell ...	350	0	0
Mudgegonga ...	P. Murray ...	6	0	0	Portsea ...	J. Farnsworth ...	18	0	0
Mulgrave ...	A. Freeman ...	25	0	0	Powlett Plains ...	B. Shaw ...	12	0	0
Mundoona ...	R. Longstaff ...	30	0	0	Powlett's Hill ...	J. Morris ...	10	0	0
Murchison ...	B. Goddard ...	80	0	0	Prahran ...	Kate E. Chapman ...	84	0	0
Murgheboluc ...	M. A. Morris ...	15	0	0	Preston ...	E. Wood ...	*102	0	0
Murmungee ...	F. Horsfall ...	10	0	0	Preston Hill ...	W. Wilson ...	25	0	0
Murroon ...	G. K. Prince ...	15	0	0	Purnim ...	W. Bickle ...	25	0	0
Murtoa ...	L. Anderson ...	36	0	0	Pyalong ...	H. Cathery ...	30	0	0
Muskvale ...	J. Hatton ...	10	0	0	Pyramid Hill ...	A. Bryce ...	30	0	0
Myamyn ...	E. T. Satchell ...	18	0	0	Queenscliff ...	H. C. Dod ...	154	14	0
Myers' Flat ...	A. Dellar ...	15	0	0	Queensferry ...	A. Stewart ...	15	0	0
Myrniong ...	C. Simmons ...	50	0	0	Raglan ...	C. Tucker ...	20	0	0
Myrtle Creek ...	G. Bickford ...	10	0	0	Ravenswood ...	G. Hall ...	24	0	0
Myrtleford ...	T. Mathieson ...	45	0	0	Raywood ...	J. Potter ...	48	0	0
Mysia ...	J. Frank ...	9	0	0	Redbank ...	E. Murphy ...	25	0	0
Nagambie ...	E. Coffin ...	60	0	0	Redcastle ...	J. McKee ...	20	0	0
Nalinga ...	A. Gordon ...	9	0	0	Redesdale ...	J. McNiff ...	42	0	0
Napoleons ...	T. Membrey ...	30	0	0	Redhill ...	E. Mahony ...	15	0	0
Nareen ...	A. Grant ...	20	0	0	Redjacket ...	W. Jones ...	6	0	0
Naroghid ...	J. Griffin ...	10	0	0	Reedy Creek ...	G. Davis ...	20	0	0
Narracan ...	J. Powell ...	6	0	0	Reefton ...	W. C. Curry ...	9	0	0
Narrawong ...	D. McLean ...	15	0	0	Reid's Creek ...	E. Gannell ...	9	0	0
Narree-Warren ...	G. Ray ...	15	0	0	Rheola ...	A. H. Tomelty ...	60	0	0
Narrigal ...	J. S. Kusel ...	15	0	0	Rhymney Reef ...	A. B. Symington ...	9	0	0
Natimuk Creek ...	D. Mitchell ...	36	0	0	Richmond ...	Annie W. Stanton ...	132	0	0
Nattie Yallock ...	P. Fahey ...	15	0	0	Riddell's Creek (Railway Station)	W. C. Cutten ...	39	0	0
Navarre ...	J. A. Stuart ...	25	0	0	Ringwood ...	T. McHutchison ...	21	0	0
Neerim ...	A. English ...	6	0	0	Rochester ...	J. T. Harper ...	135	0	0
Neilborough ...	L. Marsden ...	15	0	0	Rochford ...	J. Edwards ...	35	0	0
Nelson ...	J. M. Dunbar ...	6	0	0	Rockbank ...	W. Pratt ...	10	0	0
Nerring ...	J. Patterson ...	15	0	0	Rocky Flat ...	P. Flynn ...	9	0	0
Newbridge ...	H. Pearson ...	45	0	0	Rocky Lead ...	J. H. Werner ...	20	0	0
Newbury ...	D. Delaney ...	15	0	0	Rokewood ...	W. H. White ...	65	0	0
New Gisborne ...	Maria Johnstone ...	60	0	0	Rokewood Junction ...	J. Gladstone ...	20	0	0
Newham ...	E. Gibbs ...	25	0	0	Romsey ...	W. T. Moffatt ...	51	0	0
Newhaven ...	A. McLeod ...	10	0	0	Rosebrook ...	H. J. H. Irwin ...	20	0	0
Newington ...	M. Mackey ...	18	0	0	Rosedale ...	S. Baker ...	150	0	0
Newlyn ...	F. Wilkins ...	25	0	0	Ross' Bridge ...	W. S. Bryant ...	15	0	0
Newstead ...	Elizabeth Sutton ...	84	0	0	Ross' Creek ...	R. Dickenson ...	15	0	0

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Running Creek ...	W. F. Carthew ...	12 0 0	Tallagaroopna ...	S. Wellwood ...	12 0 0
Rupanyup ...	J. H. Gawith ...	60 0 0	Tallarook ...	W. Fox ...	60 0 0
Rushworth ...	M. J. Quinan ...	84 0 0	Taminick ...	J. Sadler ...	6 0 0
Russell's Creek ...	E. Kenyon ...	10 0 0	Tangil ...	C. H. Williams ...	27 0 0
Rutherford ...	Ann H. Belling ...	100 0 0	Taradale ...	Fanny Cooke ...	110 0 0
Rye ...	G. Mitchell ...	20 0 0	Tarilta ...	J. Helson ...	20 0 0
St. Andrew ...	E. Smith ...	25 0 0	Taripta ...	J. Edwards ...	18 0 0
St. Arnaud ...	J. A. B. Smith ...	200 0 0	Tarkedia ...	D. McLean ...	21 0 0
St. Helens ...	M. Roe ...	6 0 0	Tarnagulla ...	Maria Kentish ...	100 0 0
St. Huberts ...	J. Lalor ...	15 0 0	Tarraville ...	T. Lung ...	40 0 0
St. Kilda ...	Jane Constable ...	100 0 0	Tarrowingee ...	T. Ladson ...	35 0 0
St. Leonards ...	R. Smiley ...	10 0 0	Tatura ...	A. Ross ...	24 0 0
Sale ...	J. Coverdale ...	350 0 0	Tatyon ...	J. Crothers ...	20 0 0
Samaria ...	T. Redding ...	6 0 0	Teesdale ...	M. English ...	18 0 0
Sandford ...	J. Anderson ...	30 0 0	Templestowe ...	J. Field ...	20 0 0
Sandhurst ...	G. W. B. Vibert ...	350 0 0	Terang ...	Lizzie Anderson ...	70 0 0
Sandon ...	J. C. House ...	15 0 0	Terrick Terrick ...	E. Davies ...	45 0 0
Sandridge ...	Kate Nantes ...	100 0 0	Terrick Terrick East ...	H. A. W. Luelf ...	12 0 0
Sandy Creek ...	H. Briddon ...	15 0 0	Thomastown ...	R. J. Maguire ...	12 0 0
Sarsfield ...	W. Christopher ...	18 0 0	Thornton ...	W. R. King ...	15 0 0
Scarsdale ...	E. Knight ...	70 0 0	Timmering ...	E. Steed ...	15 0 0
Sebastian ...	D. Hawthorn ...	21 0 0	Timor ...	S. S. Brown ...	45 0 0
Sebastopol ...	Mary Drury ...	84 0 0	Tintaldra ...	E. Armstrong ...	15 0 0
Serpentine Creek ...	C. Hutton ...	50 0 0	Tongala ...	J. Branton ...	12 0 0
Seymour ...	Elizabeth Darcy ...	100 0 0	Tongio ...	J. Fregon ...	10 0 0
Shelbourne ...	P. J. Macnamara ...	15 0 0	Tooran ...	H. McLachlan ...	12 0 0
Shelbourne East ...	T. S. Sampson ...	30 0 0	Tooborac ...	E. F. Ewen ...	15 0 0
Shelford ...	H. M. Wilson ...	39 0 0	Toolamba ...	E. E. Wright ...	51 0 0
Shepherd's Flat ...	J. Sandells ...	9 0 0	Toolamba West ...	E. Edney ...	12 0 0
Shepparton ...	A. F. Rowe ...	70 0 0	Toolern ...	G. Hesketh ...	15 0 0
Shirley ...	J. Drummond ...	20 0 0	Tooleen ...	C. T. Keane ...	20 0 0
Simmons' Reef ...	M. Rogers ...	12 0 0	Toongabbie ...	J. Bassett ...	40 0 0
Skipton ...	I. M. Elder ...	45 0 0	Tooradin ...	F. M. Woolley ...	9 0 0
Smeaton ...	R. J. Sheehan ...	50 0 0	Toorak ...	T. Obbinson ...	*65 0 0
Smythesdale ...	Ellen Salkeld ...	120 0 0	Torrumbarry ...	J. E. Tolhurst ...	48 0 0
Snake Valley ...	R. Haworth ...	40 0 0	Tourello ...	H. Judkins ...	9 0 0
Snowy Creek ...	J. Kingston ...	15 0 0	Towaninnie ...	J. Finlay ...	20 0 0
Somerville ...	J. Grant ...	15 0 0	Trainor's Lagoon ...	W. Gunn ...	9 0 0
Sorrento ...	Elizabeth Allison ...	84 0 0	Traralgon ...	K. Campbell ...	60 0 0
South Yarra ...	J. Turner ...	150 0 0	Trawalla (Railway Station)	J. C. Cutbush ...	25 0 0
Spring Bank ...	M. Delahunty ...	9 0 0	Trentham ...	G. McPherson ...	44 0 0
Springfield ...	M. R. Drummond ...	12 0 0	Trentham East ...	J. Creagh ...	15 0 0
Spring Hill ...	S. Knight ...	15 0 0	Trunk Lead ...	R. Hall ...	15 0 0
Springhurst (Railway Station)	C. Rockett ...	45 0 0	Tullamarine ...	J. Cousins ...	12 0 0
Springvale ...	J. Ford ...	15 0 0	Twist's Creek ...	J. Burke ...	6 0 0
Springs ...	W. Barbour ...	30 0 0	Tylden ...	A. M. Clayton ...	50 0 0
Staffordshire Reef ...	M. Landles ...	25 0 0	Tylden South ...	W. Raw ...	15 0 0
Stanley ...	J. Mathieson ...	36 0 0	Ullina ...	W. Casey ...	20 0 0
Stawell ...	J. Nicol ...	350 0 0	Ulupna West ...	J. Gracey ...	10 0 0
Stawell West ...	G. Magnus ...	75 0 0	Undera ...	W. H. Bourke ...	15 0 0
Steiglitz ...	E. Cooper ...	55 0 0	Upper Dargo ...	J. Fairlie ...	35 0 0
Stockyard Creek ...	W. Barry ...	148 4 0	Upper King River ...	M. Izzard ...	10 0 0
Stockyard Hill ...	R. Clarke ...	25 0 0	Upper Macedon ...	W. H. Dunne ...	33 0 0
Stradbrook ...	J. Fisher ...	10 0 0	Upper Maffra ...	F. McKinnell ...	25 0 0
Strangways ...	W. H. Mulholland ...	20 0 0	Vaughan ...	J. Rodger ...	30 0 0
Stratford ...	Mary Hodgson ...	92 0 0	Victoria Valley ...	R. Montgomery ...	15 0 0
Strathdownie East ...	W. Holden ...	6 0 0	Violet Town (Railway Station)	S. Bailey ...	51 0 0
Strathfieldsaye ...	P. Meares ...	18 0 0	Waanyarra ...	J. Burns ...	10 0 0
Strathloddon ...	M. A. Pitt ...	12 0 0	Wabdallah ...	M. O'Connor ...	48 0 0
Strathmore ...	J. Wilson ...	15 0 0	Wahgunyah ...	Mary K. Oldham ...	120 0 0
Streatham ...	Isaac Watt ...	120 0 0	Wahring ...	J. Adams ...	18 0 0
Stuartmill ...	M. K. Poole ...	60 0 0	Walhalla ...	M. Costello ...	130 0 0
Sulky Gully ...	G. Redman ...	10 0 0	Wallan Wallan ...	M. Sinclair ...	45 0 0
Sunbury (Railway Station)	W. McElwee ...	10 0 0	Wallan Wallan (Railway Station)	C. F. McDonald ...	21 0 0
Sutherland's Creek ...	D. McCullam ...	20 0 0	Wallington ...	S. Coleman ...	25 0 0
Sutton Grange ...	J. Elphinstone ...	25 0 0	Walmer ...	D. Corbett ...	15 0 0
Swan Hill ...	W. T. Swann ...	150 0 0	Wandiligong ...	W. Dumphy ...	36 0 0
Swan Pool ...	P. Honex ...	15 0 0	Wandin Yalloak ...	J. Baker ...	15 0 0
Swift's Creek ...	G. Hodgson ...	20 0 0	Wandong ...	F. G. Arkell ...	18 0 0
Swift's Creek Junction	J. McMillan ...	15 0 0	Wangaratta ...	J. Sennett ...	180 0 0
Sydney Flat ...	H. J. Cook ...	10 0 0	Wangoom ...	T. Whyte ...	6 0 0
Tabilk ...	P. Finn ...	27 0 0	Wannon ...	A. Cameron ...	25 0 0
Tahara ...	A. Young ...	24 0 0	Warburton ...	G. Gray ...	21 0 0
Talangatta ...	T. J. Murray ...	15 0 0	Warragul ...	J. Biram ...	24 0 0
Talbot ...	H. B. Jones ...	180 0 0	Wareek ...	C. Fitzgerald ...	15 0 0
Talbotville ...	A. Richmond ...	6 0 0	Warrandyte ...	G. Holloway ...	25 0 0

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		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
Warrenheip (Railway Station)	C. Heatley	21	0	0	Woodford	R. Thomson	35	0	0
Warrenmang	J. Croad	10	0	0	Woodside	J. Collins	20	0	0
Warrion	H. Reid	15	0	0	Wood's Point	G. E. Jackson	150	0	0
Warrnambool	J. Fisher	350	0	0	Woodstock	O. Quinn	28	0	0
Waterloo	A. Duncan	15	0	0	Woodstock, Loddon	G. N. Wardell	21	0	0
Watgania	J. Murphy	10	0	0	Woodstock West	G. Fingland	9	0	0
Wauru Ponds	T. Heal	12	0	0	Woolshed (Ovens)	M. J. Kerr	10	0	0
Weatherboard Hill	J. Down	12	0	0	Woolsthorpe	W. Davidson	20	0	0
Wedderburn	J. R. Gray	65	0	0	Wooragee	S. M. Gale	15	0	0
Wehla	J. Brown	15	0	0	Woorndoo	A. Geddes	20	0	0
Welchman's Reef	M. Morris	15	0	0	Wooroonoke	T. Smith	15	0	0
Wendouree	H. Martin	15	0	0	Wunghnu	M. A. Dockery	6	0	0
Wensleydale	R. Brooks	6	0	0	Wycheproof	O. Cooper	6	0	0
Werracknebeal	J. A. Sutcliffe	39	0	0	Wyhetella	R. Martin	21	0	0
Westgarth	P. Nicholson	6	0	0	Wyndham	F. Schnlze	45	0	0
Wharparilla	J. Brisbane	30	0	0	Wyuna	G. Mills	39	0	0
White Hills	G. S. Butler	30	0	0	Yackandandah	Kathl. P. Kennedy	84	0	0
Whittlesea	J. Gibson	36	0	0	Yackandandah Junction	J. McCully	10	0	0
Whorouly	E. Tillotson	15	0	0	Yallook	C. A. Brewer	12	0	0
Whroo	C. Band	25	0	0	Yambuk	M. A. Doherty	25	0	0
Wickliffe	J. Pyle	55	0	0	Yandoit	C. Hedges	25	0	0
Wild-duck Creek	G. Murrowood	20	0	0	Yangery	W. T. Chalkley	10	0	0
Williamstown	F. L. Outtrim	220	0	0	Yan Yean	D. McPhee	15	0	0
Williamstown (Junction Railway Station)	J. Cotton	15	0	0	Yapeen	J. Smith	20	0	0
Winchelsea	Annie J. McManus	72	0	0	Yarek	J. Scott	9	0	0
Windermere	R. Comber	20	0	0	Yarra Flats	J. H. Petty	25	0	0
Winslow	W. Watson	15	0	0	Yarram Yarram	C. Devonshire	15	0	0
Winton	M. Stafford	15	0	0	Yarraville	J. Palmer	*77	0	0
Witchipool	J. Litchfield	9	0	0	Yarrowalla	H. Ingamells	6	0	0
Wodonga	A. Cheyne	150	0	0	Yarrowonga	J. Davis	30	0	0
Wodonga West	W. C. McFarlane	15	0	0	Yarrowee	W. L. Clarke	25	0	0
Wollert	A. Cameron	9	0	0	Yawong	J. Keily	15	0	0
Wombat Creek	J. Nicholson	10	0	0	Yea	S. A. Wall	50	0	0
Woodend (Railway Station)	E. F. Pollard	50	0	0	Yendon	S. Jones	51	0	0
					Youarang	W. Sefton	12	0	0

* Includes cost of letter delivery.

APPENDIX E.

POSTAL CONVENTION BETWEEN THE COLONIAL GOVERNMENT OF VICTORIA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The undersigned David M. Key, Postmaster-General of the United States of America, by virtue of the powers vested in him by law, and Mr. George Collins Levey, specially empowered for that purpose by the Postmaster-General of the Colony of Victoria, have agreed upon the following Articles, subject to approval by the President of the United States and ratification by the Government of the Colony of Victoria, viz. :—

ARTICLE 1.

There shall be an exchange of correspondence between the United States of America and the Colony of Victoria, by means of the direct line of colonial mail packets plying to and from San Francisco, as well as by such other means of direct mail steamship transportation between the United States and Victoria as shall hereafter be established, with the approval of the respective Post Departments of the two countries, comprising letters, newspapers, printed matter of every kind, and patterns and samples of merchandise, originating in either country, and addressed to and deliverable in the other country, as well as correspondence in closed mails originating in Victoria, and destined for foreign countries by way of the United States.

ARTICLE 2.

The Post Office of San Francisco shall be the United States office of exchange, and Melbourne the office of exchange of the Colony of Victoria, for all mails transmitted under this arrangement.

ARTICLE 3.

No accounts shall be kept between the Post Departments of the two countries upon the international correspondence, written or printed, exchanged between them; but each country shall retain to its own use the postage which it collects. The single rate of international letter postage shall be 12 cents in the United States and 6d. in Victoria on each letter weighing half an ounce or less, and an additional rate of 12 cents (6d.) for each additional weight of half an ounce or fraction thereof, which shall in all cases be prepaid at least one single rate, by means of postage stamps, at the office of mailing in either country.

Letters unpaid or prepaid less than one full rate of postage shall not be forwarded; but insufficiently paid letters on which a single rate or more has been prepaid shall be forwarded, charged with the deficient postage, to be collected and retained by the Post Department of the country of destination.

The United States Post Office shall levy and collect to its own use, on newspapers addressed to Victoria, a postage charge of 2 cents; and on all other articles of printed matter, patterns and samples of merchandise, addressed to Victoria, a postage charge of 4 cents per each weight of four ounces or fraction of four ounces.

The Post Office of Victoria shall levy and collect to its own use, on newspapers and other articles of printed matter, patterns and samples of merchandise, addressed to the United States, the regular rates of domestic postage chargeable thereon by the laws and regulations of the Colony of Victoria.

Letters, newspapers, and other articles of printed matter, patterns and samples of merchandise, fully prepaid, which may be received in either country from the other, shall be delivered free of all charge whatever.

Newspapers and all other kinds of printed matter, patterns and samples of merchandise, are to be subject to the laws and regulations of each country respectively in regard to their liability to be rated with letter postage when containing written matter, or for any other cause specified in said laws and regulations, as well as in regard to their liability to customs duty under the revenue laws.

ARTICLE 4

The United States Office engages to grant the transit through the United States, as well as the conveyance by United States mail packets, of the correspondence in closed mails which the Victoria Post Office may desire to transmit, *viâ* the United States, to British Columbia, the British North American Provinces, the West Indies, Mexico, Central and South America, and at the following rates of United States transit postage, viz. :—

For the United States territorial transit of closed mails from Victoria for Mexico, British Columbia, Canada, or other British North American Provinces, when transmitted entirely by land routes, 6 cents per ounce for letter mails, and 16 cents per pound for all kinds of printed matter.

For the United States territorial and sea transit of closed mails from Victoria for British Columbia, or other British North American Provinces, Mexico, Central and South America, or the West India Islands, when transmitted from the United States by sea, 25 cents per ounce for letter mails, and 20 cents per pound for all kinds of printed matter.

The Victoria Post Office shall render an account to the United States Post Office, upon letter bills to accompany each mail, of the weight of the letters, and also of the printed and other matter contained in such closed mails forwarded to the United States for transmission to either of the above-named countries and colonies; and the accounts arising between the two offices on this class of correspondence shall be stated, adjusted, and settled quarterly, and the amounts of the United States transit charges found due on such closed mails shall be promptly paid over by the Victoria Post Office to the United States Post Office in such manner as the Postmaster-General of the United States shall prescribe.

ARTICLE 5.

Prepaid letters from foreign countries received in and forwarded from the United States to Victoria shall be delivered in said colony free of all charges whatsoever; and letters received in Victoria from the United States, addressed to other colonies of Australia, will be forwarded to destination, subject to the same conditions as are applicable to correspondence originating in Victoria and addressed to those colonies.

ARTICLE 6.

The two Post Departments may, by mutual agreement, provide for the transmission of registered articles in the mails exchanged between the two countries.

The register fee for each article shall be 10 cents in the United States and 6d. in Victoria.

ARTICLE 7.

The two Post Departments shall settle by agreement between them all measures of detail and arrangement required to carry this Convention into execution, and may modify the same in like manner from time to time as the exigencies of the service may require.

ARTICLE 8.

Every fully prepaid letter despatched from one country to the other shall be plainly stamped with the words, "Paid all," in *red ink*, on the right hand upper corner of the address, in addition to the date stamp of the office at which it was posted; and on insufficiently paid letters the amount of the deficient postage shall be inscribed in *black ink*.

ARTICLE 9.

Dead letters which cannot be delivered, from whatever cause, shall be mutually returned without charge monthly, or as frequently as the regulations of the respective Offices will permit.

ARTICLE 10.

This Convention shall come into operation on the first day of July 1878, and shall be terminable at any time on a notice by either Office of six months.

Done in duplicate, and signed in Washington the twenty-eighth day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

(L.S.)

D. M. KEY,
Postmaster-General of the United States.

GEORGE COLLINS LEVEY.

I hereby approve of the foregoing Convention, and in testimony thereof I have caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

R. B. HAYES.

(L.S.)

By the President,

WM. M. EVARTS,
Secretary of State.

Washington, 28th January 1878,

APPENDIX F.

STATEMENT showing Particulars of Inland Mail Service performed in Victoria during the Year 1877.

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		31,300
to and from Melbourne and Cowes (Phillip Island), by way of Frankston, Somerville, and Hastings*	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	54		16,956
with a branch to and from Hastings and Baluarring ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback ...	11		3,454
to and from Melbourne and Sale, by way of Oakleigh, Springvale, Dandenong, Berwick, Pakenham, Drouin, Buln-buln, Shady Creek, Moe, Morwell, Traralgon, and Rosedale†	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	140		87,640
to and from Melbourne and Lilydale, by way of Baldwin, Box Hill, and Blackburn Creek	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	23		14,398
to and from Lilydale and Wood's Point, by way of Healesville, Fernshawe, Marysville, and Matlock	Three days a week ...	Coach and horseback	86		27,004
to and from Marysville and Jamieson, by way of Buxton, Little River, Alexandra, and Darlingford‡	Three days a week ...	Horseback	65		20,410
to and from Shady Creek and Walhalla, by way of Tangil, Cooper's Creek, and Happy-go-Lucky	Three days a week ...	Horseback	35		10,990
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 ...	44		13,816
with a branch mail to and from Fernbank ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback			
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 Wodonga and Tintaldra, by way of Bonegilla, Bethanga, Talgarno, Bungil, Thologolong, Burrowye, Jingellac, and Walwa	Once a week ...	Horseback	85		8,840
to and from Kiewa and Towong, by way of Bungoonie, Mitta-mitta Crossing, Talangatta, Koetong, Wabba, Cudgewia, Corryong Schoolhouse, and Colac-colac	Once a week ...	Horseback	81		8,424
to and from Beechworth and Yackandandah, by way of Wooragee	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15		9,390
to and from Beechworth and Wangaratta, by way of Tarrawingee	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	26		16,276
to and from Yackandandah and Wodonga, by way of Osborn's Flat and Kiewa	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	32		10,048
to and from Beechworth and Wahgunyah, by way of Chiltern, Indigo, and Rutherglen	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	33		20,658
to and from Chiltern and Howlong, N.S.W., by way of Brown's Plains	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	20		6,280
to and from Sutton and Yackandandah, by way of Hillsborough, Yackandandah Junction, and Twist's Creek	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	10		3,140
to and from Porepunkah and Buckland, by way of Lower Buckland	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	18		5,652
to and from Beechworth and Hillsborough, by way of Stanley	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	14		8,764
to and from Beechworth and Wangaratta, by way of Docker's Plains, Reid's Creek, Woolshed, Reidford, and Eldorado§	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	30		18,780
to and from Wangaratta and Wandiligong, by way of Everton, Bowman's Forest, Gapsted, Myrtleford, Eurobin, Porepunkah, and Bright	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	60		37,560
with a branch to and from Oxley and Moyhu ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	10		5,634
and to and from Gapsted and Beechworth, by way of Murrumbidgee and Baarmutha	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	9		6,260
to and from Longwood Railway Station and Mansfield, by way of Longwood Post Office, Merton, Doon, and Maindample¶	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	52		32,552
and to and from Mansfield and Jamieson, by way of Old Devil's River Inn	Three days a week ...	Buggy ...	25		7,850
to and from the Old Devil's River Inn and Bracks ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	1½		156
to and from Jamieson and Matlock, by way of Mack's Creek, Loyola, Gaffney's Creek, Castle Reef, and Wood's Point	Three days a week ...	Horseback	39		12,246
to and from Merton and Alexandra, by way of Gobur and Yarek	Three days a week ...	Horseback	24		7,536
to and from Tallarook and Alexandra, by way of Doogalook, Yea, and Molesworth	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	50		31,300
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		25,040
to and from Bacchus Marsh and Ballarat, by way of Myrniong, Ballan, Gordon's, Mount Egerton, Moorabool Creek, and Dunstons	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	35	46,707 6 0	21,910
to and from Mount Blackwood and Barry's Reef ...	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	4		5,008
to and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Echuca	Twice a day ...	Cab ...	1		1,252
to and from Runnymede and Murchison, by way of Colbinabbin, Campaspe, and Rushworth	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	40		12,560

* Mails conveyed between Hastings and Cowes by steamer. Reduction, 4,056 miles, £400.

† Mails conveyed by railway as follows: between Sale and Morwell from 1st June, between Oakleigh and Bunyip from 8th October, and between Moe and Morwell from 1st December. Total reduction, 18,320 miles, £561 11s. 4d.

‡ This service is now worked to and from Marysville and Alexandra once a week, and from Alexandra and Jamieson once a week. Reduction, 5,200 miles £156 5s.

§ Now worked from Everton Railway Station with a branch between Wangaratta and Milawa via Oxley. Reduction, 3,090 miles, £91 19s. 3d.

|| Worked from Everton. Reduction, 9,300 miles, £278 1s. 5d. per annum.

¶ Reduced to three days a week, see note †, page 44.

STATEMENT showing Particulars of Inland Mail Service performed in Victoria, 1877—continued.

Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Sandhurst and Huntly, by way of the White Hills and Epsom	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	7		4,382
from Sandhurst to Eaglehawk, by way of Long Gully and California Gully	Once a day ...	Coach ...	15†		4,680
and from Eaglehawk to Sandhurst, by same route ...	Twice a day ...	Coach ...			
to and from Sandhurst and Tarnagulla, by way of Golden Square, Kangaroo Flat, Lockwood, Shelbourne East, Woodstock-on-Loddon, Newbridge, and Maidentown	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	30		18,780
to and from Sandhurst and Swan Hill, by way of Serpentine Creek, Jarklin, Durham Ox, and Kerang*	Three days a week...	Coach ...	120		37,680
to and from Swan Hill and Euston, by way of Pyangil, Narung, and Wyrllong	Once a week ...	Coach ...	95		9,880
to and from Euston and Wentworth, by way of Tarpallen, Mildura, and the Mission Station	Once a week ...	Coach ...	85		8,840
to and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Sandhurst, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	As often as required...	Waggon ...	15†		4,695
for the clearance of the letter and newspaper boxes in Sandhurst, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day ...	Tilbury ...	20†		6,260
to and from Sandhurst and Wedderburn, by way of Marong, Bridgewater-on-Loddon, Inglewood, and Old Inglewood *	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	48		30,048
to and from St. Arnaud and Gre-gre† ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	10		1,040
to and from Inglewood and Berlin, by way of Kingower	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	13		8,138
to and from St. Arnaud and Donald, by way of Cope-cope	Three days a week...	Coach ...	24		7,536
and to and from Donald and Morton Plains ...	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	25½		5,304
to and from Dunolly and New Inglewood, by way of Waanyarra, Tarnagulla, and Maidentown	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	25		15,650
to and from Dunolly and St. Arnaud, by way of Goldsborough Reef, Bealiba, and Carapooee	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	40		25,040
to and from Dunolly and Avoca Forest, by way of Inker-mann, Moliagul, McIntyre's, Berlin, Wehla, and Burke's Flat §	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	39		24,414
to and from Castlemaine and Creswick, by way of South Muckleford, Green Gully, Newstead, Sandon, Glengower, Powlett Hill, Moorookyle, Smeaton, and Kingston	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	45		28,170
to and from Guildford and Daylesford, by way of Yandoit, Franklinford, Shepherd's Flat, and Hepburn	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	20		12,520
to and from Castlemaine and Maldon, by way of Muckleford	Three times a day	Coach ...	11		20,658
to and from Maldon and Dunolly, by way of Baringhup, Eddington, and Burnt Creek	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	28½		16,841
to and from Malmshury and Daylesford, by way of Drummond and Glenlyon	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	22		27,544
to and from Kyneton and Heathcote, by way of Langley, Barfold, Redesdale Post Office, and Mia-mia	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	30		18,780
to and from Daylesford and Leonard's Hill, by way of Muskvale	Three days a week...	Horseback	6		1,884
to and from Hepburn and Dry Diggings ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3		1,878
to and from Creswick and Daylesford, by way of Newlyn, Mount Prospect, and Eganstown	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	20		12,520
to and from Maryborough and Majoreca, by way of Mosquito Flat and Craigie	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	8		5,008
to and from Maryborough and Wareek, by way of Chinaman's Flat, Timor, Lower Alma, and Alma; including clearance of letter-box at Chinaman's Flat	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	12		7,512
to and from Maryborough and Ararat, by way of Adelaide Lead, Bung Bong, Avoca, Amphitheatre, Elmhurst, Eversley, and Crowlands ¶	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	60		37,560
to and from Avoca and Percydale ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	6		3,756
to and from Buangor and Mount Cole ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	10		2,080
to and from Ararat and Moyston, by way of Cathcart ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	12		7,512
to and from Ararat and Ross' Bridge, by way of Tatyoon	Two days a week ...	Horseback	25		5,200
to and from Avoca and Stawell, by way of Joel-joel, Moonambel, and Landsborough	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	58½		36,621
with a branch to and from Joel-joel and Green's Creek...	Six days a week **...	Horseback			
to and from Talbot and Evansford ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7		4,382
to and from Talbot and Majoreca, by way of Narrigal ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	10		6,260
to and from Moonambel and St. Arnaud, by way of Red-bank, Hinds, and Stuartmill	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	34		21,284
to and from Landsborough and Canterbury, by way of Navarre and Barkly	Three days a week...	Coach ...	22		6,908
to and from Moonambel and Warrenmang, by way of Kimberley	Three days a week...	Horseback	14		4,396
to and from Stawell and Horsham, by way of Stawell West, Deep Lead, Glenorchy, Ledecourt, and Drung-drung	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	47		29,422
to and from Glenorchy and Longerenong, by way of Ashens	Three days a week ...	Horseback	26		8,164
to and from Glenorchy and Donald, by way of Callawadda, Warranooke, Car's Plains, Wurchilleba, Wal-laloo, Marnoo, Banyena Plains, Banyena Post Office, Avon Plains, and Rich Avon East	Three days a week ...	Horseback	74		23,088

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* Now worked from Inglewood. Reduction on both services, 17,472 miles, £520.

† Per diem.

‡ £6 8s. 10d. additional for deviation by way of Darkbonee, 208 miles.

§ Portion between Burke's Flat and Avoca Forest now worked three days a week. Reduction, 2,496 miles, £74 5s. 8d.

¶ One frequency from Maldon to Castlemaine discontinued. Reduction, 3,443 miles, £102 9s. 5d.

¶ Coach to and from Maryborough and Avoca discontinued. Services between Avoca and Bung Bong, and Adelaide Lead and Maryborough, three days a week from 1st February. Reduction, 6,435 miles, £191 10s. 4d.

** Now three days a week. Reduction, 1,560 miles, £46 8s. 7d.

STATEMENT showing Particulars of Inland Mail Service performed in Victoria, 1877—continued.

Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.	
			Miles.	£ s. d.		
to and from Horsham and Kingungwill (Sheep Hills), by way of Longerenong, Green Hills, Murtoa, Rupan-yup, Karkarook, and Minyip *	Two days a week ...	Horseback	50	See previous page	10,400	
to and from Horsham and Lake Corong, by way of Jung-jung, Kellalac, Kewell, Werracknebeal, and Brim	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	90		18,720	
to and from Horsham and Dimboola, by way of Pimpinio	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	23		7,176	
and to and from Dimboola and Lake Hindmarsh ...	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	24		4,992	
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, Kiata, Winniam, Nhili, Mount Elgin, and Drumbanagher	Two days a week ...	Horseback	53		11,024	
to and from Dimboola and Lockhart, by way of Glenlee, Lorquon, Yanack-a-Yanack, Balrook, Bunyip, Yarrock, and Cove	Once a week ...	Horseback	87		9,048	
to and from Horsham and Apsley, by way of Vectis, Natimuk Creek, Tooan, Spring Hill, Spring Bank, Pleasant Banks, Rose Banks, Lemon Springs, and Bringalbert	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	90		18,720	
to and from Stawell West and Ararat, by way of Stawell, Great Western, and Armstrong's †	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	20		25,040	
to and from Burumbeet and Weatherboard Hill, by way of Windermere	Once a day ...	Horseback	6		7,512	
to and from Ballarat and Avoca, by way of Minersrest, Mount Blowhard, Lake Learmonth, Mount Bolton, Springs, Lexton, and Lamplough	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	44		27,544	
to and from Ararat and Hamilton, by way of Denicull Creek, Maroona, Kiora, Glenthompson, Strathmore, Dunkeld, and Mountajup ‡	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	65		40,690	
to and from Junction of Wickliffe and Ararat, and Hamilton and Ararat main roads, and Warrnambool, by way of Wickliffe, Chatsworth, Caramut, Woolsthorpe, and Koroit	Three days a week...	Coach ...	60		18,840	
with a branch to and from Koroit and Belfast ...	Three days a week...	Coach ...	11		3,454	
to and from Lintons and Streatham, by way of Skipton...	Three days a week...	Coach ...	29		9,106	
to and from Streatham and Lake Bolac ...	Three days a week...	Coach ...	13		4,082	
to and from Wickliffe and Lake Bolac ...	Three days a week...	Coach ...	7		2,198	
to and from Ballarat and Lintons, by way of Smythesdale and Scarsdale	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	21		26,292	
to and from Ballarat and Trunk Lead, by way of Redan Bridge, Mount Pleasant, Sebastopol, Cobbler's Gully, Magpie, Cambrian Hill, and Haddon	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	20		12,520	
to and from Ballarat and Alfredton, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day ...	Tilbury ...	3		3,756	
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Ballarat West, and of the box at the Post Office at Newington, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day ...	Tilbury ...	15§		4,695	
to and from Ballarat and Barkstead, by way of Black Hill, Little Bendigo, Brown Hill, Leigh Creek, Bullarook, Spring Bank, and Bolwarra	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15		9,390	
to and from Ballarat and Sebastopol, by way of Redan Bridge	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	2½		1,565	
from Ballarat to Ballarat East ...	Twice a day ...	} Tilbury ...	12§		3,756	
from Ballarat to Newington ...	Twice a day ...					
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, and of the box at the Post Office at Ballarat East, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day ...	Tilbury ...	15§		4,695	
to and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Ballarat, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	As often as required	Waggon ...	8§		2,504	
to and from Ballarat and Buninyong, by way of Mount Clear	Six days a week ...	Cab ...	9		5,634	
to and from Brown Hills and Clarke's Hill ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7		4,382	
to and from Mount Greenock and Mount Cameron ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	10		3,140	
to and from Talbot and Mount Greenock, by way of Rocky Flat	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,756	
to and from Clunes and Glendaruel, by way of Tourello and Mount Beckworth	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,756	
to and from Clunes and Glengower, by way of Lord Clyde and Middle Creek	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	10		6,260	
to and from Creswick and Coghill's Creek, by way of Bald Hills, Graham's Hill, and Ascot	Six days a week ...	Horseback	20		12,520	
to and from Buninyong and the Buninyong Railway Station	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	7		4,382	
to and from Buninyong and Mount Mercer, by way of Durham Lead, Hardie's Hill, and Grenville	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15		9,390	
to and from Buninyong and Enfield ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	10		3,140	
to and from Buninyong and Napoleon's, by way of Black Lead and Yarrowee	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7		4,382	
to and from Brown Hills and Glenpark ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4		2,504	
to and from Lal-lal Railway Station and Clarendon ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4		2,504	
to and from Meredith and Steiglitz ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	7		4,382	

* Service worked from 1st October to and from Horsham and Longerenong two days a week, to and from Longerenong and Murtoa three days a week, and to and from Murtoa and Kewell two days a week. Reduction, 156 miles, £4 12s. 10d.

† Portion between Ararat and Stawell discontinued. Reduction, 19,658 miles, £585 1s. 2d.

‡ Mails conveyed to Dunkeld by railway from 2nd July, and from Dunkeld to Hamilton from 29th October. Reduction, 16,534 miles, £492 1s. 8d.

§ Per diem.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Meredith and Cargerie* ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	11	See previous page	3,454
to and from Meredith and Morrison's ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,756
to and from Steiglitz and Durdidwarrah ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	5		1,570
and to and from Durdidwarrah and Mount Wallace, by way of Beremboke	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 ...	Horseback	3		1,872
to and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Lethbridge	Twice daily ...	Horseback	1		1,252
to and from Inverleigh and Wabdallah, by way of Murgheboluc State School	Four days a week ...	Coach ...	9½		3,971
to and from Wabdallah and Anakies, by way of Darriwall and Maude	Six days a week ...	Horseback	9		5,634
to and from Moorabool Railway Station and Post Office, Moorabool ‡	Twice a day ...	Horseback	1		1,252
to and from Wabdallah and Rokewood, by way of Teesdale and Shelford	Three days a week...	Coach ...	30	47 0 0	9,420
and to and from Rokewood and Smythesdale, by way of Rokewood Junction, Illabarook, Cape Clear, Newtown-Scarsdale, and Scarsdale	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	18		11,268
To and from Glenrowan and Greta ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	9		5,634
To and from Rokewood and Break-o'-day ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,756
with a branch to and from Break-o'-day and Dereel ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4		832
to and from Cape Clear and Pitfield ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	3		942
to and from Rokewood and Cressy ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	10		1,040
to and from Beeac and Cressy, by way of 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		30,772
to and from Coleraine and Harrow, by way of Nareen and Willis' Station	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	40	13,479 10 6	8,320
with a branch to and from Nareen and Chetwynd ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	45		28,170
to and from Hamilton and Casterton, by way of Wannan and Coleraine	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	50		15,700
to and from Casterton and Gambiertown, by way of Kaladbra and Lindsay	Three days a week...	Coach ...	61		19,154
to and from Casterton and Portland, by way of Sandford, Merino, Digby, Hotspur and Heywood	Three days a week...	Coach ...	13		2,704
to and from Casterton and Brimboal ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	25		5,200
to and from Casterton and Dergholm, by way of Roseneath	Two days a week ...	Horseback	34		10,676
to and from Coleraine and Condah, by way of Tahara ...	Three days a week...	Coach ...	56		35,056
with a branch to and from Tahara and Merino ...	Three days a week...	Coach ...	40		12,560
to and from Hamilton and Portland, by way of Branhholme, Condah, Myamyn, and Heywood §	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	31		6,448
to and from Casterton and Penola, by way of Lake Mundi	Three days a week...	Coach ...	12	27,040	2,496
to and from Heywood and Dartmore, by way of Drik-drik and Balrook	Two days a week ...	Horseback	18		11,268
to and from Woorndoo and Lake Bolac ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	8		5,008
to and from Smythesdale and Chepstowe, by way of Snake Valley, Preston Hill, and Carngham	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	7		4,382
to and from Smythesdale and Happy Valley, by way of Scarsdale, Newtown, Golden Lake, and Piggoreet	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	4		1,256
to and from Smythesdale and Staffordshire Reef, by way of Brown's Diggings and Italian Gully	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	45		9,360
to and from Smythesdale and Ross's Creek ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	13		1,352
to and from Portland and Belfast, by way of Narrawong and Yambuk	Three days a week...	Coach ...	52		16,328
to and from Portland and Cape Bridgewater ...	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	40		8,320
to and from Belfast and Hamilton, by way of Orford, Macarthur, and Byaduk	Three days a week...	Coach ...	6		1,872
to and from Belfast and Penshurst, by way of Kirkstall and Hawkesdale	Three days a week...	Coach ...	14	85,136	8,764
to and from Koroit and Warrnambool, by way of Dennington	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	54		16,956
to and from Terang and Mortlake, by way of Kolara and Noorat	Three days a week...	Coach ...	18		3,744
and to and from Mortlake and Hamilton, by way of Hexham, Caramut, Penshurst, Croxton East, and Hochkirch	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	130		27,040
to and from Hamilton and Penshurst, by way of Hochkirch and Croxton East	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	136		85,136
to and from Geelong and Warrnambool, by way of Murgheboluc, Inverleigh, Hesse, Cressy, Lismore, Derrinallum, Darlington, Mortlake, Eilerslie, Ballengeich, Framlingham, Purnim, and Woodford ¶	Six days a week ...	Coach ...			
to and from Geelong and Belfast, by way of Wauru Ponds, Pettavel, Clifford, Mount Moriack, Lake Town, Winchelsea, Mount Gellibrand, Colac, Larpent, Pirron Yaloak, Stonyford, Pomborneit, Camperdown, Terang, Garvoc, Pannure, Allansford, Warrnambool, Dennington, Rosebrook, and Killarney**					

* Worked from Elaine Railway Station instead of Meredith. £10 per annum additional.

† Three days a week. Addition, 312 miles, £9.

‡ Discontinued from 1st April. Reduction, 939 miles, £37 1s. 10d.

§ Mails conveyed by railway to Portland from 19th December. Reduction, 1,166 miles, £29 9s. 1d.

|| Once a week extra between Yambuk and Belfast. Addition 1,144 miles, £31 17s. 6d.

¶ Not now worked by way of Framlingham. Reduction, 624 miles, £17 7s. 9d.

** Portion between Lake Town and Winchelsea discontinued from 1st February; also portion between Winchelsea and Colac from 29th July. Reduction, 10,129 miles, £289 17s. 6d.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Camperdown and Darlington	Once a week ...	Horseback	18	See previous page	1,872
to and from Camperdown and Naroghid State School...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	8		1,664
to and from Birregurra and Dean's Marsh	Three days a week...	Horseback	8		2,512
and to and from Birregurra and Murroon	Three days a week...	Horseback	7		2,198
to and from Mount Gellibrand and Birregurra ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	4		2,504
to and from Winchelsea and Wensleydale, by way of Wordieboluc	Two days a week ...	Horseback	11		2,288
to and from Mount Duneed and Connemara	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		3,768
to and from Mount Moriac and Lake Modewarre ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	7		2,198
to and from Geelong and Fyansford	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4		2,504
to and from Geelong and Point Henry, by way of East Geelong and the Breakwater	Six days a week ...	Horseback	9		5,634
to and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Geelong, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	As often as required	Waggon ...	3½*		1,095½
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Geelong, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Three times a day ...	Tilbury ...	25*		7,825
also the conveyance of a letter-carrier from Geelong to Newtown	Once a day ...	Tilbury ...	1*		626
to and from Geelong and Mount Duneed, by way of Marshalltown and Germantown	Six days a week ...	Horseback	9		5,634
to and from Geelong and Queenscliff, by way of Moolap, Kensington, and Wallington	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	19		11,894
to and from Portarlington and St. Leonards	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	7		2,198
to and from Geelong and Portarlington, by way of Curlew, Drysdale, and Bellarine	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	18		11,268
to and from Geelong and Ceres, by way of Belmont and Highton	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6		3,756
to and from Geelong and Sutherland's Creek by way of Geelong West and Cowie's Creek	Six days a week ...	Horseback	12	7,512	
to and from Geelong and Gheringhap, by way of Batesford	Six days a week ...	Horseback	12	7,512	
to and from Ceres and Gnarwarre	Six days a week ...	Horseback	8	5,008	
to and from the Post Office and Landing-places, Queenscliff, Five shillings per trip	As often as required	Vehicle ...	80†	960	
to and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Wyndham	Twice a day ...	Horseback	2*	626	
to and from Wyndham Railway Station and Derrimut, by way of Mount Cotterell‡	Three days a week...	Horseback	8	2,512	
Also the conveyance of English mails, Five pounds per trip	Thirteen trips ...	Waggon ...	19	247	
and special mail conveyance between Geelong and Queenscliff, as often as required at per trip, Thirty shillings	Thirteen trips ...	Waggon ...	19	247	
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 ...	20*	227 10 0	6,260
For the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in the city of Melbourne, and that on Wellington parade, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier; an additional letter-carrier to be conveyed occasionally	Six times a day ...	Tilbury ...	70*	405 0 0	21,840
To and from Dandenong and Cranbourne, by way of Lyndhurst and Lyndhurst South	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	9	80 0 0	5,616
to and from Cranbourne and the Clyde	Three days a week...	Vehicle ...	5		1,560
To and from North Brighton Railway Station and Mordialloc, by way of Brighton East, Brighton South, and Cheltenham	Six days a week ...	Gig ...	8½		5,148
with a branch to and from Brighton South and Gipsy Village	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2¾	100 0 0	1,716
to and from East Brighton and Jasper Road	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2		1,248
To and from Elsternwick Railway Station and the Post Office, Elsternwick	Twice a day ...	Foot ...	½	20 0 0	624
To and from Oakleigh and Ferntree Gully, by way of Mulgrave	Three days a week...	Horseback	12	49 0 0	3,744
To and from Tangil and Russell's Creek	Once a week ...	Horseback	6	30 0 0	624
To and from Berwick and Narree Warren, by way of Harkaway	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	68 0 0	3,744
To and from Cranbourne and the Bass, by way of Lang Lang, Corinella, Tooradin, Grantville, and Queensferry	Two days a week ...	Horseback	55	88 17 6	11,440
To and from Dromana and Sorrento, by way of Rye	Three days a week...	Horseback	18	198 0 0	5,616
to and from Dromana and Flinders, by way of Boneo and Cape Schanck	Three days a week...	Horseback	23		7,222
to and from Dromana and Red Hill	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4	64 10 0	832
To and from Sale and Maffra	Six days a week ...	Horseback	15		9,360
To and from Stratford and Grant, by way of Hardy's, Briargolong, Stockyard, Bulgobaek, and Dargo Flat	Two days a week ...	Horseback	65		13,520
and to and from Grant and Bulltown, by way of Talbotville	Once a week ...	Horseback	10	See next page	1,040
to and from Bairnsdale and Delegate, by way of Sarsfield	Once a week ...	Horseback	130		13,520
Bruthen, Murrindale, Buchan, Gelantipy, Dedue, Tibbutt, Cobanandra, Bonang, and Bendoc					
to and from Bairnsdale and Omeo, by way of Bruthen, Ensay, Swift's Creek Junction, and Swift's Creek	Once a week ...	Horseback	70		7,280
with a branch to and from Swift's Creek Junction and Tongio	Once a week ...	Horseback			

* Per diem.

† Per month.

‡ From 28th May mails conveyed to Truganina. Addition, 278 miles, £7 2s. 7d.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
to and from Bright and Harrietteville, by way of Freeburgh	Three days a week...	Horseback	45		14,040
to and from Wodonga Railway Station and Albury, by way of Wodonga Post Office	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	23½		3,432
to and from Barnawartha Railway Station and Post Office	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	½		1,248
to and from Barnawartha and Yackandandah, by way of South Barnawartha and North Wooragee	Three days a week...	Horseback	17		5,304
to and from Chiltern and Duma Mungi	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3		1,872
to and from Chiltern Railway Station and Post Office	Three times a day ...	Vehicle ...	½		936
to and from Springs Railway Station and Springhurst *	Four times a day ...	On foot ...	¼		624
to and from Wangaratta Railway Station and Post Office	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	1		2,496
to and from Stanley and Hurdle Flat	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½		1,560
to and from Myrtleford and Running Creek	Three days a week...	Coach ...	14		4,368
to and from Benalla and Mansfield, by way of McKellar's, Swan Pool, and Barjarg	Once a week† ...	Coach ...	43		4,472
with a branch to and from Swan Pool and Samaria	Once a week† ...	Horseback	1		2,496
to and from Benalla Post Office and Railway Station	Four times a day ...	Horseback	18		5,616
to and from Darlingford and Enoch's Point	Three days a week...	Coach ...	13		8,112
to and from Seymour and Nagambie, by way of Gravel Pits, Mangalore, and Eldridge's sawmills, Tabilk	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	10		6,240
and to and from Nagambie and Murchison, by way of Wahring and Dargalong	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	21	5,060 14 0	13,146
to and from Avenel and Nagambie, by way of Tabilk	Three days a week...	Coach ...	17		5,304
to and from Murchison and Mooropna by way of Toolamba	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	21		13,146
to and from the Railway Station and the Post Office, Tallarook	Four times a day ...	On foot ...	2½		780
to and from Kilmore and Heathcote, by way of Pyalong and Tooborac	Three days a week...	Coach ...	30		9,360
to and from Mount Blackwood and Myrniong, by way of Greendale	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	20		12,480
to and from Ballan and Blakeville	Three days a week...	Horseback	7		2,184
to and from Gordon's and Ormond	Three days a week...	Horseback	5		1,560
to and from Melton and Rockbank	Two days a week ...	Horseback	10		2,080
to and from Morrison's and Bungeeltap	Two days a week ...	Horseback	7		1,456
to and from Seymour and Rushworth, by way of Graytown,§ Baillieston, 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 ...	28		8,736
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 Mandurang, by way of Strathfieldsaye	Three days a week...	Horseback	12½		3,900
to and from Sandhurst and Raywood, by way of Long Gully, California Gully, Eaglehawk, Sydney Flat, Myers' Flat, Sebastian, and Neilborough	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	22		13,728
to and from Inglewood and Powlett Plains	Once a week ...	Coach ...	18		1,872
to and from Powlett Plains and Wychetella, by way of Boort	Once a week ...	Coach ...	29		3,016
to and from Wedderburn and Charlton East Post Office...	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	20		4,160
to and from Wedderburn and Boort, by way of Wychetella	Once a week ...	Coach ...	30		3,120
to and from Charlton East Post Office and Towaninnie, by way of Bungeelake, Glenloth, and Wycheproof	Once a week¶ ...	Coach ...	30		3,120
to and from St. Arnaud and Charlton East Post Office, by way of Yawong and Yowong Springs	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	30		6,240
with a branch to and from Nicholl's Station and Conover	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	3½		728
To and from Kiewa and Kergunyah	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6	24 0 0	1,248
To and from Barnawartha Post Office and North Barnawartha, by way of Burraburnia	Three days a week...	Horseback	6	44 17 4	1,872
To and from Bowman's Forest and Whorouly	Three days a week...	Horseback	3	34 0 0	936
To and from Benalla and Winton	Three days a week...	Horseback	7	25 0 0	2,184
To and from Nagambie and Mooropna, by way of Wahring, Dargalong, and Murchison	Three days a week...	Coach ...	38	130 0 0	11,856
To and from Kalkallo and Railway Station, Donnybrook...	Twice a day ...	Horseback	2	18 0 0	2,496
To and from Rochester and Timmering	Three days a week...	Horseback	9	52 18 0	2,808
To and from Corop and Runnymede	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	12	99 0 0	7,488
To and from Kangaroo Flat Post Office and Railway Station	Twice a day ...	On foot ...	1	25 0 0	1,248
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Maryborough	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	7½		2,184
to and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Dunolly	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	½		1,252
to and from Kyneton and Mount Blackwood, by way of Tylden, Trentham, and Newbury (Garlick's)	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	25		14,352
to and from Lauriston and Spring Hill	Three days a week...	Horseback	4		1,248
to and from Tylden and East Trentham	Three days a week ...	Horseback	6		1,872
to and from Diggers' Rest and Coimadai Creek, by way of Toolern	Three days a week ...	Horseback	10		3,120
to and from Avoca and Nattie Yallock, by way of Homebush	Three days a week ...	Horseback	8		2,496
to and from Burrumbeet and Bo-Peep	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4½		936
to and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Creswick	Five times a day ...	Vehicle ...	5¼		1,638
to and from Creswick and Rocky Lead, by way of Happy Valley and Dean	Six days a week ...	Horseback	14½		9,048

* Discontinued. Reduction, 624 miles, £49 8s. 9d.

† Six days a week, from 1st February, at the same time service between Longwood Railway Station and Mansfield discontinued (see note ¶, page 39), both alterations causing a reduction of 2,674 miles, £76 12s. 2d.

|| Six days a week; additional 8,320 miles, £190 13s. 4d.

‡ Per diem.

¶ Now twice a week; additional mileage, 3,120; amount, £71 10s.

§ Graytown omitted. Reduction, 2,504 miles, £57 4s.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.	
			Miles.	£ s. d.		
to and from Creswick and Maryfield, by way of Glendonald	Six days a week ...	Horseback	8½	2,355 5 6	5,304	
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	14		2,912	
to and from Woodford and Winslow, by way of Yangery	Two days a week ...	Horseback	12		2,496	
to and from the Landing-place and Post Office, Warrnambool	As often as required	Vehicle ...	1¼	2,355 5 6	1,375	
to and from Allansford and Nirranda, by way of Mepunga	Once a week ...	Horseback	10		1,040	
to and from Allansford and Tallangatta	Once a week ...	Horseback	5		520	
to and from Camperdown and Lisnore, by way of Taaraak and Foxhow	Twice a week ...	Horseback	30		6,240	
to and from Killarney and Crossley	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3	2,355 5 6	1,872	
to and from Crossley and Koroit †	Four days a week ...	Horseback	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	11		1,144	
to and from Stonyford and Terang, by way of McKenzie's farm, Colantet, Jancoart, Cobden, and Elingamite	Once a week ...	Horseback	25	2,355 5 6	2,600	
to and from Cobden and Port Campbell	Once a week ...	Horseback	25		2,600	
to and from Colac and Beac	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	7		4,368	
to and from Beac and Cundare	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6		1,248	
to and from Beac and Cammel Springs (Tea-tree), Warriorn	Three days a week ...	Horseback	3	2,355 5 6	936	
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 Ballarat and Sulky Gully, by way of Wendouree and Mount Rowan	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7		4,368	
to and from Ballarat and Haddon, by way of Cardigan and Trunk Lead	Six days a week ...	Horseback	15		9,390	
to and from Talbot and Dunach	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3½	52 0 0	2,184	
To and from the Railway Station and the Post Office, Kyneton	Six times a day ...	Waggonette	1		3,756	
and for the clearance of the letter-boxes, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Twice a day ...	Tilbury ...	3*		939	
To and from Beaufort and Shirley by way of Eurambeen	Three days a week ...	Horseback	8		2,496	
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Buan-gor	Four times a day ...	On foot ...	¼	155 0 0	628	
To and from Stratford and Briagolong	Once a week ...	Horseback	10		1,040	
For the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Collingwood, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Four times a day ...	Tilbury ...	28*		7,696	
For the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Carlton and Hotham, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Four times a day ...	Tilbury ...	40*	1068 0 0	12,480	
for the clearance of the Post Office letter and newspaper boxes in Fitzroy, including the conveyance of a letter-carrier	Four times a day ...	Tilbury ...	28*		7,696	
for the conveyance of ten letter-carriers from the General Post Office to Fitzroy and Collingwood	Once a day ...	Coach ...	12*		3,744	
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 ...	Tilbury ...				
and for the conveyance of additional mails from Collingwood to Melbourne	Three times a day ...	Tilbury ...				
for the conveyance of nine letter-carriers from the General Post Office to Hotham and Carlton	Once a day ...	Coach ...				
also the conveyance of mails from the General Post Office to Hotham and Carlton	Three times a day ...	Tilbury ...	16*	269 0 0	4,992	
and from Hotham and Carlton to the General Post Office	Twice a day ...	Tilbury ...				
to and from Melbourne and Merriang, by way of Northcote, Preston, Woollert, Thomastown, Epping, and Woodstock	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	25		15,600	
to and from Preston and Glenvale, by way of Bundoora, Janefield, Morang, and Whittlesea	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	20	269 0 0	12,480	
to and from Bundoora and Diamond Creek, by way of Greensborough	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	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 Dandenong and Berwick	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	9		5,616	
For the conveyance of all mails between the General Post Office and the wharfs at Melbourne and Sandridge, inclusive of the transport of the English mails, and also all mails arriving at the Port of Melbourne in transit for or from the adjacent colonies	As often as required	Cabs, &c. ...	42*	222 12 0	13,104	
To and from Melbourne and Northcote	Six days a week ...	Cab ...	4		2,496	
From Melbourne to Sandridge, by way of Emerald Hill	Three times a day ...	Cab ...	21*		180 0 0	6,552
and from Sandridge to Melbourne, by way of Emerald Hill	Four times a day ...					
including the conveyance of nine letter-carriers to and from Sandridge, Emerald Hill, and Melbourne	Once a day ...	Waggonette	24*	222 12 0	7,488	
From Melbourne to Prahran, by way of South Yarra	Three times a day ...					
and from Prahran to Melbourne by way of South Yarra... including the conveyance of eleven letter-carriers from and to Prahran and Melbourne	Four times a day ...					
	Once a day ...					

* Per diem.

** Service now worked to and from Dunkeld and Cavendish, by way of Karabeal; extra payment £96 19s. per annum.

† Cancelled from 1st September. Reduction, 416 miles, £21 1s. 9d.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from South Yarra and Malvern, by way of Toorak...	Twice a day ...	Horseback	3	108 0 0	3,744
From Melbourne to Richmond ...	Three times a day ...	Waggonette	17*	300 0 0	5,304
and from Richmond to Melbourne ...	Four times a day ...				
including the conveyance of six letter-carriers from and to Richmond and Melbourne	Once a day ...				
to and from Richmond and Kew, by way of Lower Hawthorn	Twice a day ...	Waggonette	2½	300 0 0	3,120
From Hawthorn to Richmond ...	Twice a day ...	Waggonette	1½		1,872
to and from Hawthorn and Ballyshanassy, by way of Camberwell and Hartwell	Six days a week ...	Waggonette	4		2,496
To and from Melbourne and St. Kilda ...	Twice a day ...	Waggonette	14*	136 19 0	4,368
including the conveyance of nine letter-carriers to and from Melbourne and St. Kilda	Once a day ...				
To and from St. Kilda and Caulfield ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½	48 0 0	1,560
To and from Morang and Hazelglen ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	4	20 0 0	1,248
To and from Melbourne and Heidelberg, by way of Alphington and Ivanhoe	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	8	125 0 0	3,984
to and from Heidelberg and Templestowe ...	Once a day ...	Horseback	2		1,248
To and from Box Hill and Forest Hill ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	4	18 0 0	1,284
To and from Lilydale and Hoddle's Creek, by way of Wandon Yaloak, Launching-place, and Claxton's	Once a week ...	Horseback	35	195 0 0	3,640
and to and from Hoddle's Creek and Warburton	Six days a week ...	Horseback			
to and from Kew and Warrandyte, by way of Doncaster	Twice a day ...	Cab ...	5	60 0 0	6,240
To and from Melbourne and Coburg, by way of Brunswick	Six days a week ...	Cab ...	5	50 0 0	3,120
to and from Coburg and Campbellfield ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	5	29 0 0	3,120
To and from Footscray Railway Station and Braybrook, by way of Footscray Post Office and Maidstone	Three days a week ...	Horseback	43	244 0 0	13,416
To and from Walhalla and Matlock, by way of Aberfeldy, Violettown, Red Jacket, and Jericho	Three days a week ...	Horseback	20	180 0 0	6,240
To and from Walhalla and Donnelly's Creek, via Edward's Reef	Three days a week ...	Horseback	35	197 0 0	10,920
To and from Traralgon and Walhalla, by way of Toongabbie and Happy-go-lucky	Three days a week ...	Horseback	6	56 10 0	1,872
To and from Traralgon and Flynn's Creek ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	45	270 0 0	14,040
To and from Rosedale and Port Albert, by way of Tarraville and Woodside	Three days a week ...	Horseback	35	205 0 0	10,920
To and from Port Albert and Stockyard Creek, by way of Alberton	As often as required	Horseback	4	10 0 0	900
To and from Port Albert and Tarraville with steamers' mails	Three days a week ...	Horseback	8	38 0 0	2,496
To and from Port Albert and Yarram-yarram, by way of Alberton	Once a week ...	Horseback	50	52 5 0	5,200
To and from Sale and Port Albert, by way of Longford, Stradbroke, Woodside, and Tarraville	Two days a week ...	Horseback	13	43 8 0	2,704
To and from Sale and Clyde Bank, by way of Heart run ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	8	52 0 0	4,992
To and from Maffra and Upper Maffia ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	7	99 18 0	2,184
To and from Bairnsdale and Coongulmerang, by way of Wy Yung	Two days a week ...	Horseback	16		3,328
to and from Bairnsdale and Deptford, by way of Store Creek and Bulumwall	Once a week ...	Horseback	16	18 4 0	1,664
To and from Bairnsdale and Bruthen, by way of Sarsfield ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	14	25 0 0	1,456
To and from Bruthen and Cunningham (Lakes Entrance)...	Once a week ...	Horseback	55	97 10 0	5,720
To and from Omeo and Snowy Creek, by way of Reedy Creek (Omeo Plains), Wombat, and Merrimac	Once a week ...	Horseback	32	89 0 0	3,328
To and from Upper Dargo and Onco ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	51	174 10 0	5,304
To and from Harrierville and Grant, by way of Upper Dargo	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4½	18 0 0	936
To and from Wodonga and Green Hills (Belvoir) ...	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	15	109 0 0	18,720
To and from Springhurst and Wahgunyah, by way of Rutherglen	Once a week ...	Horseback	60	91 0 0	6,240
To and from Wangaratta and Cobram, by way of Kilawarra, Peechelba, Bandalong, Yarrowonga, and Burramine	Three days a week ...	Horseback	8	56 0 0	2,496
To and from Wangaratta and Estcourt...	Once a week ...	Horseback	13	30 0 0	1,352
To and from Moyhu and Upper King River (Izzard's) ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	8	29 8 0	1,664
To and from Milawa and Bobinawairah ...	Four times a day ...	On foot ...	¾	39 0 0	1,872
To and from Glenrowan Post Office and Railway Station ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	50	125 0 0	5,200
To and from Benalla and Cobram, by way of Devenish, Katandra, and Yabba-yabba	Two days a week ...	Waggonette	52	150 0 0	10,816
To and from Benalla and Shepparton, by way of Devenish, Cashel, Sumpton's Store, and Pine Lodge	Once a week ...	Horseback	31	100 0 0	3,224
To and from Benalla and Hill Plain, by way of Rowan's Swamp	Three days a week ...	Horseback	5	33 17 6	1,560
To and from Euroa and Balmattum ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	7	25 0 0	1,456
To and from Doon and Dry Creek ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	7	26 0 0	728
To and from Mansfield and Delatite ...	Two days a week ...	On foot ...	2	11 10 0	416
To and from Wood's Point and Gooley's Creek ...	Four days a week ...	Buggy ...	1	30 0 0	2,496
To and from Railway Station and Post Office, Seymour ...	Two days a week ...	Horse	20	24 18 9	4,160
To and from Murchison and McMillan's (Arcadia Station), by way of Moorilim, Pethybridge's, Castle Creek, Spencer's Farm, and Kialla West	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½	84 11 6	3,180
To and from Mooropna and Shepparton ...	Four times a day ...	On foot ...	2*	22 10 0	624
To and from the Railway Station and the Post Office, Broadford	Three days a week ...	Horseback	9	75 0 0	2,808
To and from Broadford and Reedy Creek, by way of Lower Reedy Creek	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	2½	110 0 0	6,240
To and from the Railway Station and the Post Office, Kilmore	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	24	150 0 0	14,977
To and from Kilmore and Lancefield, by way of Forbes, Springfield, and Goldie					

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from the Railway Station and the Post Office, Wallan-wallan	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	1½	90 0 0	3,744
To and from Wallan-wallan and Darraweit Guim ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	50 0 0	3,744
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Beveridge...	Twice a day ...	Horseback	1½	30 0 0	1,560
To and from Echuca and Ulupna, by way of Lower Moira, Barmah, Broken Creek, Six-mile Plain (Moran's), Upper Moira, and Ulupna West	Once a week ...	Horseback	50	150 0 0	5,200
To and from Echuca and Shepparton, by way of Wyuna, Undera, and Mooroopna	Two days a week ...	Horseback	45	180 0 0	9,360
To and from Echuca and Wharparilla, by way of Terrick East	Two days a week ...	Horseback	10	56 18 6	2,080
To and from Wharparilla and Terrick-terrick ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	17½	50 0 0	3,640
To and from Echuca and Torrumbarry ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	15	50 0 0	3,120
To and from Rochester and Terrick-terrick, by way of Pannamabawn, Forestol's store (Pine Grove), and Mittiamo	Two days a week ...	Vehicle ...	32	175 0 0	6,656
To and from Toolamba and Merrigum, by way of Toolamba West, Tatura, and Cryer's	Two days a week ...	Horseback	30	150 0 0	6,140
and to and from Merrigum and Rushworth, once by way of Fawkner and once by way of Morrison's	Two days a week ...	Vehicle ...			
To and from Goornong Railway Station and Barsedown	Six days a week ...	Horseback	8	63 0 0	4,992
and to and from Barsedown and Toolleen, by way of Muskerry	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	77 0 0	2,496
To and from Sandhurst and Diamond Hill, by way of Golden Gully	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	5	60 0 0	3,120
To and from Shelbourne West and Shelbourne East ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	8	22 0 0	2,496
To and from Eddington and Laanecoorie ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	38 10 0	3,744
To and from Melbourne and Yarra Flats, by way of Heidelberg, Eltham, Kangaroo Ground, and Christmas Hill with a branch to and from Kangaroo Ground and St. Andrews, by way of Panton Hill	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	32	400 0 0	19,968
To and from Lilydale and St. Huberts ...	Three days a week...	Coach ...	8		2,496
To and from Castlemaine and Harcourt, by way of Barker's Creek	Three days a week...	Horseback	6	45 0 0	1,872
to and from Castlemaine and Chewton, including the clearance of the letter-boxes at Chewton	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	6		3,744
and to and from Chewton and Glenluce, by way of Fryerstown	Twice a day ...	Horseback	3	349 1 8	3,744
to and from Golden Point and Chewton ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7		4,368
to and from Castlemaine and Campbell's Creek ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½		1,560
and to and from Campbell's Creek and Tarilta, by way of Yapeen, Strathloddon, Guildford, and Vaughan	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	2½		3,120
to and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Castlemaine	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	9	2,184	5,616
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Guildford	As often as required	Vehicle ...	7*		2,184
To and from Newstead and Clydesdale...	Four times a day ...	On foot ...	½	23 12 6	1,248
to and from Newstead and Strangways ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	4	95 0 0	1,248
To and from Elphinstone and Sutton Grange ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3		1,872
and delivery of additional mails at Sutton Grange from Elphinstone	Three days a week...	Horseback	9	73 15 0	2,808
to and from Elphinstone and Faraday ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	27†		1,404
to and from Sutton Grange and Myrtle Creek...	Three days a week...	Horseback	4	1,248	1,248
To and from Maldon and Porcupine Flat ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6		1,248
to and from Maldon and Baringhup, by way of Nuggety Reef	Six days a week ...	Springcart	5	92 10 0	3,120
to and from Maldon and Welshman's Reef ...	Six days a week ...	Springcart	9		5,616
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 ...	Springcart	6	48 0 0	3,744
To and from Kyneton and Lauriston ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7½		4,732
To and from Kyneton and Pastoria, by way of Piper's Creek	Six days a week ...	Cab ...	6	13 15 0	3,744
To and from Redesdale and North Redesdale Junction, by way of Lyal and North Redesdale	Three days a week...	Horseback	7	17 15 0	2,184
To and from Langley and Metcalfe, by way of Green Hills	Three days a week...	Horseback	7	38 10 0	2,184
To and from Langley and Baynton ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7	50 0 0	4,368
To and from Woodend and Carlsruhe, by way of Springfield	Three days a week...	Horseback	6	26 0 0	1,872
To and from Woodend and Lancefield, by way of Newham and Rochford	Six days a week ...	Horseback	7	49 0 0	4,368
To and from Hanging Rock and Monument Creek, by way of Heskett	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	15	80 0 0	9,360
To and from Macedon and Upper Macedon ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	3	35 0 0	936
to and from Gisborne Railway Station and Gisborne; also the conveyance of a mail on Saturday, from the Railway Station to Gisborne	Twice a day ...	Horseback	3	100 0 0	3,744
to and from Gisborne and Bullengarook ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½		1,560
To and from Gisborne and Couangalt ...	Three days a week...	Horseback	7	2,184	2,184
To and from Lancefield Road Railway Station and Lancefield, by way of Monegatta and Romsey	Three days a week...	Horseback	6		1,872
and to and from Lancefield and North Lancefield ...	Twice a day ...	Coach ...	10	220 0 0	12,480
To and from Sunbury and Buttlejork ...	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	5		3,120
To and from Ararat and Opossum Gully ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4	14 0 0	2,496
To and from Moyston and Watgania, by way of Kalyrna ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	32 0 0	3,744
	Two days a week ...	Horseback	19	64 0 0	3,952

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			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Beaufort	Four times a day ...	Spring cart	2*	60 0 0	624
and from the Railway Station to the Post Office ...	Once a day ...	Spring cart			
To and from Beaufort and Charlton, by way of Main Lead, Waterloo, and Raglan	Three days a week ...	Buggy ...	9	59 0 0	2,808
To and from Beaufort and Stockyard Hill, by way of Nerring and Lake Goldsmith	Three days a week...	Buggy ...	11½	60 0 0	3,588
To and from Moorookyle and Ullina ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	5	44 0 0	3,120
To and from Smeaton and Kooroocheang ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	6	44 0 0	3,744
To and from Daylesford and Bullarto, by way of Musk Creek	Two days a week ...	Horseback	8	20 0 0	1,664
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Clunes	Five times a day ...	Vehicle ...	5*	50 0 0	1,560
To and from the Post Office and the Railway Station, Talbot	Five times a day ...		4½*	48 15 0	1,404
To and from Dean's Marsh and Lorne ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	19	20 0 0	3,952
For the clearance of ten letter-boxes at Emerald Hill ...	Three times a day ...	On foot ...	18*	49 0 0	5,616
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Ararat...	Five times a day ...	Buggy ...	¾		2,355
to and from Ararat and Dobie's Bridge ...	Six days a week ...	Buggy ...	6		3,768
to and from Talbot and Amherst ...	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	3		1,872
to and from Charlton East and Buckrabanyule ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	9		1,872
to and from Donald and Laen ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	15		1,566
to and from St. Arnaud and Donald, by way of Cope Cope	Three days a week ...	Horseback	24		7,488
to and from Mount Blackwood Post Office and Simmon's Reef	Six days a week ...	Horseback	1¼		1,492
to and from Drik Drik and Nelson, by way of Johnston's	Once a week ...	Horseback	38		3,954
to and from Donald and Charlton East, by way of Mount Jeffcott and Lake Wooroonoke	Twice a week ...	Horseback	26	1,234 14 8	5,408
to and from Donald and Litchfield, by way of Doherty's	Two days a week ...	Horseback	12		2,496
to and from Gre Gre and Avon Plains, by way of Trainor's Lagoon	Once a week ...	Horseback	12		1,248
to and from Brown Hills and Gong Gong ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3		1,872
to and from Terang and Purnim, by way of Framlingham	Three days a week ...	Horseback	24		7,488
to and from Gooroc and St. Arnaud ...	Twice a week ...	Horseback	12		2,496
to and from Sale and Bairnsdale, by way of Stratford ...	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	44		13,728
with a branch mail to and from Fernbank ...	Three days a week ...	Coach ...			
To and from Buln Buln and Lardner ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	8	32 0 0	832
To and from Sarsfield and Metung, by way of Swan Reach and Wonga Wonga	Once a week ...	Horseback	18	32 0 0	1,872
To and from Warburton and Reefton, by way of McMahon's and Starvation Creek	Once a week ...	Horseback	17	130 0 0	1,768
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Tarrawingee	Once a day ...	Horseback	3	40 0 0	1,872
To and from Wangaratta and Docker's Plains ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	2½	39 0 0	1,560
To and from Opossum Gully and Rhymney Reef ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4	38 0 0	2,496
To and from Torrumbarry and Cohuna, by way of Gunbower and Echunga	Two days a week ...	Horseback	26	100 0 0	5,408
To and from Lower Reedy Creek and Strath Creek ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4½	22 0 0	936
To and from Terrick Terrick and Pyramid Hill ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	8	39 10 0	1,664
To and from Talbot and Emu Reef ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	4	18 0 0	832
To and from Buangor and Ballyrogan State School ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	7	39 0 0	2,184
To and from Bobinawarrah and Hedi ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	15	35 0 0	1,560
To and from Cashel and Khull's Range School, by way of Dookie	Two days a week ...	Horseback	13	39 0 0	2,704
To and from Creswick and Broomfield ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	3	47 10 0	1,872
To and from Wyuna and Taripta ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	10	29 10 0	2,080
To and from Wodonga and Leneva ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	7	12 0 0	728
To and from Raywood and Kamarooka ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	8½	40 0 0	1,768
To and from Runnymede and Mitiamo, by way of the Farmer's Arms, Kamarooka station, Hillmans and Patersons	Two days a week ...	Vehicle ...	22	120 0 0	4,576
To and from Ravenswood and Kangaroo Flat, by way of Big Hill	Six days a week ...	Horseback	9	45 0 0	5,616
To and from Myrtleford, and Mudgegonga, by way of Waterloo	Twice a week ...	Horseback	9	35 0 0	1,872
To and from Tarraville and Woranga ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	4	16 0 0	1,248
To and from Devenish and Cashel ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	5½		572
to and from Cashel and Nalinga ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	7	100 0 0	1,456
To and from Violettown and Kialla, by way of Costello's and Keady's	Once a week ...	Horseback	20	38 0 0	1,040
To and from Connewarre and Barwon Heads State School	Three days a week ...	Horseback	5		1,560
to and from Harrow and Natimuk, by way of Fulham, Mount Talbot, Clear Lake, and Narrabeal	Two days a week ...	Horseback	50	558 0 0	10,400
to and from Glenorchy and Rupanyup ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	21		6,552
and to and from Rupanyup and Kingungwill ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	14		1,456
To and from Kooroocheang and Campbelltown East ...	Six days a week ...	Horseback	4	48 15 0	2,496
To and from Tintalra and Cudgewia ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	12	30 0 0	1,248
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Stawell ...	As often as required	Waggonette	4¾*	65 0 0	1,456
To and from Beilin and Opossum Hill ...	Six days a week ...	Waggonette	3	25 0 0	1,872
To and from Coleraine and Harrow, by way of Koonong Wootong and Pigeon Ponds	Once a week ...	Buggy ...	33	60 0 0	3,432
To and from Wycheproof and Bungeelake ...	Twice a week ...	Vehicle ...	7½	70 0 0	1,560
To and from Buln Buln and Drouin Junction ...	Three days a week ...	Horseback	5	50 0 0	1,560
To and from Sale and Toongabbie, by way of Cowwarr and Denison	Three days a week ...	Coach ...	28	89 15 0	8,736
To and from Maffra and Bald Hills, by way of Tinamba and Heyfield	Three days a week...	Coach ...	19		5,928
and to and from Bald Hills and Glenmaggie ...	Two days a week ...	Coach ...	5	94 0 0	1,040

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			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from the Broadmeadows Railway Station and Bulla, by way of Broadmeadows, Tullamarine and Oaklands Junction, with a branch mail to and from Mickleham, by way of Greenvale and Broadmeadows	Six days a week ...	Horseback	12	140 0 0	7,488
To and from Melbourne and Essendon, by way of Flemington and Moonee Ponds	Once a day ...	Cab ...	6	45 0 0	3,774
To and from Melbourne and Brighton ...	Twice a day ...	} Railway ...	7½	200 0 0	9,360
and for clearance of receiving-boxes at Balacava, Elsternwick, Bay street, and Brighton beach Railway Stations, and the conveyance of letters from those stations to Melbourne	Twice a day ...				
To and from Melbourne and North Brighton ...	Six days a week ...	Railway ...	7½	52 0 0	4,680
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 ...	...*	25 0 0	...*
Clearance of four receiving-boxes at Brunswick ...	Twice a day ...	Horseback	5†	80 0 0	1,560
Clearance of receiving-box at Pascoe Vale ...	Daily ...	Horseback	1†	12 0 0	312
Clearance of receiving-box at Coburg ...	Twice a day ...	Horseback	2†	20 0 0	624
Clearance of five receiving-boxes at South Yarra... and conveyance of English mail from Toorak and South Yarra	Four times a day ...	} Horseback	14†	78 12 0	4,368
	Monthly ...				
To and from Hawthorn Post Office and Receiving-house, Lower Hawthorn	Twice a day ...	} Horseback	3½†	60 0 0	1,092
and for clearance of two receiving-boxes in Lower Hawthorn	Thrice a day ...				
Conveyance of mail from Footscray Post Office to Railway Station	Six days a week ...	Horseback	¼	10 0 0	156
Clearing receiving-box, Arthur's Seat road ...	Once a day ...	Horseback	3†	10 0 0	936
To and from the Post Office, East Brighton, and the Railway Station, North Brighton	Six days a week ...	Horseback	¾	10 0 0	468
Clearing receiving-box at Kensington ...	Twice a day ...	On foot ...	4†	20 16 0	1,248
Clearing receiving-box corner of Boundary and Toorak roads	Once a day ...	On foot ...	1½†	10 0 0	546
To and from Shepparton and Mundoona by way of Tallagaroopna	Once a week ...	Horseback	7½	45 0 0	780
To and from Mundoona and Kotupna, by way of Karimba, Kotupna, Woolshed, and Barwo	Once a week ...	Horseback	11½	40 0 0	1,196
To and from Hill Plain and Burramine, by way of Yarrowonga	Once a week ...	Horseback	25	60 0 0	2,600
To and from Stratford and Briagolong ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	10	25 0 0	1,040
To and from Kerang and Cohuna ...	Twice a week ...	Horseback	20	62 10 0	4,160
To and from Lilydale and Repton, by way of Warburton, from 29th August, at rate of Eighty pounds per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	37	27 6 2	1,332
To and from Eastville and Llanecoorie ‡	Three days a week...	Horseback	7	10 0 0	2,184
To and from Durham Ox and Mologa State School	Two days a week ...	Horseback	10	26 0 0	2,080
To and from Buln Buln and Bloomfield	Once a week ...	Horseback	7	20 0 0	728
To and from Belfast and Yambuk (additional), from 30th August, at rate of Thirty-seven pounds seventeen shillings and sixpence per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	12	10 14 3	432
To and from Horsham and Werracknebeal, by way of Twelve-Mile Dam, Sailors' Home, Kewell West, Patterson's, and Cannum	Two days a week ...	Horseback	49	180 5 8	10,192
To and from Rochester and Diggara ...	Two days a week ...	Horseback	8	20 0 0	1,664
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Beechworth	Four times a day ...	Vehicle ...	¾	50 0 0	832
To and from Buln-Buln and Lardner ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	8	39 0 0	832
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Buangor ...	Four times a day ...	Horseback	¼	26 0 0	628
To and from Moe and McDonald's Track	Once a week ...	Horseback	14	26 0 0	1,456
To and from Coleraine and Pigeon Ponds, by way of Koonong Wootong, at rate of Fifteen pounds per annum, to 20th October	Once a week ...	Horseback	20	12 1 2	3,360
To and from Shepparton and Wunghnu ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	16	40 0 0	1,664
To and from Wodonga and Bethanga, by way of Bonegilla	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	16	156 0 0	9,984
To and from Geelong and Queenscliffe (additional service), from 1st January to 30th April, and from 1st November to 31st December, at rate of Nineteen pounds fifteen shillings per month	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	19	118 10 0	5,928
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Joyce's Creek, to 14th April, at rate of Five pounds per annum	Four times a day ...	On foot ...	1	1 0 5	352
To and from Hastings and Griffith's Point, by way of Cowes and Newhaven	Three times a week	Steamer ...	25	400 0 0	7,800
To and from Donald and Morton Plains ...	Once a week ...	Coach ...	35	74 5 9	3,640
To and from Buln-Buln and Drouin East ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	15	20 0 0	1,560
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Avoca ...	Four times a day ...	Tilbury ...	½	25 0 0	624
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Winchelsea...	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	¾	39 2 1	312
To and from State School, Chapman, and junction of the Kiora and Chapman roads	Six days a week ...	Horseback	¾	8 0 0	468
To and from Narracoorte and Apsley ...	Three days a week...	Coach ...	18	96 0 0	516
Additional mail between Inglewood and Boort, by way of Powlett Plains, Kinneypaniel, and Fernihurst, from 1st August, at the rate of Ninety-five pounds six shillings and eightpence per annum	Once a week ...	Coach ...	40	39 14 5	1,760
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Colac, from 28th July, at the rate of Forty-eight pounds per annum	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	½	20 10 3	268
Additional mail to and from Melbourne and Essendon, by way of Flemington and Moonee Ponds, from 1st July, at the rate of Thirty-five pounds per annum	Six days a week ...	Cab ...	6	17 10 0	1,872
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Birregurra, from 28th July to 31st August, at the rate of Twelve shillings per week	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	½	3 0 0	60

* Distance previously stated.

† Per diem.

‡ Cancelled from 1st November; reduction, 364 miles, £1 13s. 4d.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from Warrnambool and Wangoom State School, from 17th July, at the rate of Twenty-four pounds ten shillings per annum	Two days a week ...	Horse ...	5	11 6 6	480
To and from Glenrowan and Taminick Plains, from 1st July, at the rate of Twenty-six pounds per annum	Three days a week...	Horse ...	4	13 0 0	624
To and from Shepparton and Kotupna, by way of Tallagaroopna, Muntloona, Karimba, Kostadt's (Barwo), and Kotupna woolshed, from the 1st July, at the rate of Seventy-five pounds per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	19	37 10 0	988
To and from Tooboorac and Emu Flat, from 13th July to 18th September, at the rate of Nine shillings per week	Two days a week ...	Horseback	8	18 7 8	304
To and from Benalla and Yarrawonga, by way of Rowan's Swamp and Hill Plain	Once a week ...	Horseback	40	{ 56 15 11 }	1,680
with branch to and from Yarrawonga and Burramine ...	Once a week ...	Horseback	6		126
and to and from Yarrawonga and Bundalong, from 7th August, at the rate of One hundred and thirty pounds for period from 1st August 1877	Once a week ...	Horseback	5		105
Additional mails to and from Moe and MacDonald's Track, from 22nd August, at the rate of Ten shillings per week	Once a week ...	Horseback	14	9 8 7	280
To and from Buln Buln and Neerim, by way of Jindivick and Edney's, from 25th August, at the rate of Forty-seven pounds per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	14	16 11 0	532
To and from Trentham and Little Hampton, from 16th August, at the rate of Thirty-one pounds four shillings per annum	Three days a week...	Horseback	5	11 14 10	580
To and from Wangaratta and Burramine, by way of Peechelba, Killawarra, Bundalong, and Yarrawonga, from 22nd August, at the rate of Seventy-two pounds per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	40	25 18 11	1,520
To and from Glenthompson and Strathmore, from 1st July, at the rate of Ten shillings and sixpence per week	Three days a week...	Horseback	3½	13 0 0	546
To and from Maroona and Kiora, from 1st July, at the rate of Fifteen shillings per week	Three days a week...	Horseback	6¾	19 10 0	1,053
To and from Georoc and Mount Wycheproof, by way of Wooroonoke, from 23rd August, at the rate of Thirty-five pounds per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	28	11 10 3	1,064
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Glenthompson, from 1st July to 26th November, at the rate of Six shillings per week	Twice a day ...	On foot ...	¾*	6 7 9	96
For deviation from mail route consequent upon delivering mail-bags at Ruby Creek and Flagstaff Hill, from 1st August, at the rate of Four pounds twelve shillings and tenpence per annum	Once a week ...	Coach ...	3†	1 18 8	66
For delivery of bags at Kostadt's (Barwo) on up and down journey from Kotupna, from 12th August, at the rate of Twelve pounds twelve shillings and eightpence per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	8	4 14 4	176
To and from Dartmoor and the Dairy, from 15th August to 14th November, at the rate of Twenty pounds per annum	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6	5 0 5	312
Clearance of two receiving boxes and one pillar at Sandridge, from 15th August, at the rate of Fifty pounds per annum	Three times a day ...	On foot ...	3*	18 19 0	357
Delivery of a mail bag at Yarturk State School, from 1st September, at the rate of Seven pounds eighteen shillings and twopence per annum	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6†	2 12 8	102
Addition to contract in consequence of Stonyford and Terang service being worked from Pirron Yalook, from 20th July, at the rate of Thirteen pounds three shillings and sevenpence	Once a week ...	Horseback	10*	5 18 1	230
Deviation from mail route between Traralgon and Walhalla for delivery of a loose bag at Eaglehawk, from 1st September to 30th September, at the rate of Eleven pounds fourteen shillings per annum	Three days a week ...	Horseback	2	0 19 6	48
To and from Ararat and Dennicul Creek, from 1st September, at the rate of Thirty pounds per annum	Six days a week ...	Horseback	5	10 0 0	1,040
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Winchelsea, from 8th September, at the rate of Ninepence per trip	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	2*	7 7 0	196
For detention at Traralgon, awaiting arrival of train, Four shillings per week	Two days a week ...	...	...	2 12 6	...
To and from the Railway Station and Post Office, Birregurra, from 1st September, at the rate of Eighteen shillings per week	Twice a day ...	Horseback	½	15 13 8	208
To and from Khull's Range and Katandra, from 8th September, at the rate of Twenty pounds per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	9	6 5 6	306
Additional mail service between the Post Office and Railway Station, Talbot, from 1st July to 31st August, at the rate of Nine pounds fifteen shillings per annum	Once a day ...	Vehicle ...	¾	1 12 6	14¾
Addition to contract in consequence of mails between Warrnambool and Belfast being conveyed by way of Koroit and Crossley instead of by way of Killarney, from 1st September, at the rate of One hundred and four pounds per annum	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	6	34 15 5	1,248

* Per diem

† Per week.

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from Emu Flat and Lancefield, by way of Sailor's Water Holes, from 17th September, at the rate of Fourteen shillings per week	Two days a week ...	Horseback	13	10 12 0	780
To and from Pakenham and Gembrook, by way of Matter's and Le Souef's, from 5th October, at the rate of Ten shillings and ninepence per week	Once a week ...	Horseback	12	6 15 2	312
To and from Moyhu and Boggy Creek, from 1st October, at the rate of Eight shillings per week	Once a week ...	Horseback	10	5 5 0	280
To and from junction of Killarney and Crossley roads and Killarney Post Office, from 1st November, at the rate of Twenty-four pounds per annum	Six days a week ...	Horseback	1	4 0 0	104
To and from Costerfield and South Costerfield, from 1st July, at the rate of Five shillings per week	Three days a week ...	Horseback	1	13 0 0	312
Additional frequency between Longerneong and Murtoa ... and to and from Murtoa and Kewell, from 1st October, at the rate of Eighty-six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence per annum	Once a week ... Two days a week ...	Horseback Horseback	6 } 40 }	21 3 3 {	156 2,080
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Pakenham, from 8th October, at the rate of Sixteen pounds per annum	Twice a day ...	Horseback	2	3 13 4	584
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Berwick, from 8th October, at the rate of Twenty-six pounds per annum	Twice a day ...	Horseback	$\frac{1}{2}$	6 0 2	146
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Dandenong, from 8th October, at the rate of Ten pounds for the period from 1st October 1877, to 30th June 1878	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	2*	3 1 7	146
To and from Boort and Barrapoort, by way of Woodlands, from 17th November, at the rate of Seventeen pounds ten shillings per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	15	2 2 9	210
To and from Raywood and Kamarooka, from 9th October, at the rate of Fifteen pounds for period from 1st October, 1877 to 30th June 1878	Once a week ...	Horseback	8	4 11 5	192
To and from Maryborough and Timor, by way of Beedon's, including the clearance of a receiving box from 15th October, at the rate of Twenty pounds per annum	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	6	4 5 0	804
To and from Hazelwood and Morwell Railway Station, from 1st October, at the rate of Twenty-six pounds eight shillings per annum	Three days a week...	Horseback	12	6 12 0	948
To and from Post Office and Railway Station, Elaine, from 14th September, at the rate of Twenty-five pounds per annum	Four times a day ...	On foot ...	2*	7 8 7	186
To and from Inglewood and Durham Ox, by way of Serpentine Creek and Jarklin, from 17th October, at the rate of One hundred and twenty-five pounds for period from 15th October 1877, to 30th June 1878	Three days a week...	Coach ...	38	36 6 8	2,584
To and from Lintons and Skipton, from 15th October, at the rate of Thirty-six pounds per annum	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	13	7 12 10	1,742
To and from Cope Cope and Swan Water West, from 20th October, at the rate of Twenty-six pounds per annum	Three days a week ...	Horseback	6	5 14 7	372
To and from Ferntree Gully and Lysterfield, from 1st November, at the rate of Twenty-five pounds per annum	Three days a week ...	Horseback	9	4 3 4	468
To and from Forbes and Tantaraboo, from 20th October, at the rate of Twenty-five pounds per annum	Three days a week ...	Horseback	6	4 19 5	372
To and from Woori Yallock and Benak, from 1st November, at the rate of Thirty pounds per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	7	5 0 0	126
To and from Bung Bong Railway Station and Post Office, from 1st November, at the rate of Ten pounds per annum	Three days a week...	Vehicle ...	3	1 13 4	156
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Hamilton, from 29th October, at the rate of Forty-eight pounds per annum	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	2*	8 7 8	110
To and from Moutajup and Dunkeld, from 29th October, at the rate of Nine shillings per week	Three days a week...	Horseback	4	4 2 3	224
To and from Smythesdale and Ross' Creek, from 1st November, at the rate of Thirty pounds per annum	Three days a week...	Horseback	4	5 0 0	208
Deviation from Castlemaine and Chewton mail route to Moonlight Flat, from 1st November, at the rate of Ten shillings per week	Six days a week ...	Vehicle ...	6	4 7 1	312
To and from Buln Buln and Warragul, from 13th November, at the rate of Fifty-two pounds per annum	Two days a week ...	Horseback	5	7 4 0	140
To and from Meredith (in lieu of Steiglitz) and Mount Wallace, by way of Eclipse, Durdidwarrah, and Boremboke, from 1st December, at the rate of Twenty-four pounds per annum additional	Three days a week...	Vehicle ...	7	2 0 0	182
To and from Echuca and Shepparton, by way of Tongala, Wyuna, Undera, and Mooropna, from 1st December, at the rate of Thirty pounds for period from 15th November 1877, to 30th June 1878	Once a week ...	Horseback	45	6 2 8	630
To and from Bethanga and Tintaldra, by way of Ruby Creek, Flagstaff Hill, Talgarno, Bungil, Thologolong, Burrowye, Jingellac, and Walwa, from 28th November, at the rate of Fifty-six pounds five shillings for period from 15th November 1877 to 30th June 1878	Once a week ...	Horseback	86 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 7 9	865
To and from Ballarat and Learmonth, by way of Miner's Rest and Mount Blowhard	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	9	6 7 1 {	738
also from Ballarat to Learmonth, from 14th November, at the rate of One pound per week	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	9		379

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Service.	Frequency.	Mode of Conveyance.	Distance.	Amount.	Gross Mileage.
			Miles.	£ s. d.	
To and from Eastville and Laanecoorie, from 1st November, at the rate of Fifteen pounds per annum	Three days a week...	Horseback	7	2 10 0	364
To and from Dartmoor and the Dairy, from 15th November, at the rate of Twenty pounds per annum	Two days a week ...	Horseback	6	2 11 1	156
Additional subsidy, by way of compensation for loss of traffic on the Hamilton and Ararat line of road, for the period from 24th April to the 2nd July, consequent upon the opening of the railway between Ararat and Dunkeld, the mail service by coach being continued during above period	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	...*	350 0 0	...*
To and from Katandra and Katamatite, from 1st December, at the rate of Fifteen pounds per annum	Once a week ...	Horseback	10	1 5 0	80
To and from Horsham and Wonthah, from 4th December, at the rate of Twenty-four pounds for period from 15th November 1877 to 30th June 1878	Two days a week ...	Horseback	10	2 17 10	80
To and from Sandhurst and Stathfieldsaye, by way of Emu Creek, from 10th December, at the rate of Fifty pounds per annum	Three days a week...	Vehicle ...	8	2 19 1	160
For delivering mails at Donald on same days as despatched from Glenorchy, from 17th December, at the rate of Forty pounds per annum	Three days a week...	Horseback	...*	1 12 3	...*
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Morwell, from 1st December, at the rate of One pound per week	Twice a day ...	Horseback	2	1 12 3	208
To and from Melbourne and Mornington, by way of Cheltenham, Mordialloe, and Frankston	Daily ...	Coach ...	33	27 8 4	924
with a branch mail to and from Frankston and Hastings, by way of Somerville, from 15th December, at the rate of Fifty pounds per month	Three days a week...	Coach ...	15		420
To and from Hastings and Griffith's Point, by way of Cowes and Newhaven, from 15th December, at the rate of Twenty pounds per month	Three days a week...	Steamer ...	25	10 19 4	700
Conveyance of an additional letter-carrier to and from South Yarra and Melbourne, from 1st December, at the rate of One shilling per day	Daily ...	Waggonette	...*	1 5 0	...*
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Portland, from 19th December, at the rate of Forty-eight pounds per annum	Twice a day ...	Vehicle ...	1	1 13 6	44
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Condah, from 19th December, at the rate of Twenty-nine pounds for period from 19th December 1877 to 30th June 1878	Twice a day ...	Horseback	1	1 18 10	44
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Branksome, from 19th December, at the rate of Twenty-one pounds for the period from 7th December 1877 to 30th June 1878	Twice a day ...	Horseback	$\frac{1}{2}$	1 6 6	22
To and from the Post Office and Railway Station, Heywood, from 19th December, at the rate of Twenty pounds per annum	Twice a day ...	Horseback	$\frac{1}{2}$	0 13 11	22
Addition to contract for conveying Drouin East mails, consequent on increase in bulk of mails, &c., from 1st July to 12th November, at the rate of Ten pounds per annum	...*		...*	3 13 4	...*
To and from Condah and Myamyn, from 19th December, at the rate of Fifteen shillings per week	Three days a week...	Horseback	7	1 6 5	84
Additional sum for extra mileage in conveying mails to Post Office, Mooropna North, from 1st December, at the rate of One pound per annum	Six days a week ...	Horseback	1†	0 1 8	4
Additional sum for deviation from mail route to and from Denicull Creek, from 1st July to 31st August, at the rate of One hundred and thirty pounds per annum	Six days a week ...	Coach ...	7	21 13 4	742
To and from Melbourne and Ballarat	Three times a day ...	Victorian Railways	100 $\frac{1}{4}$	22,758 18 8	1,144,027 $\frac{1}{4}$
To and from Ballarat and Ararat	Twice a day ...		57		
To and from Melbourne and Sandhurst...	Three times a day ...		100 $\frac{3}{4}$		
To and from Sandhurst and Echuca	Twice a day ...		55 $\frac{1}{4}$		
To and from Ballarat and Maryborough	Three times a day ...		42 $\frac{1}{2}$		
To and from Castlemaine and Maryborough	Twice a day ...		34		
To and from Maryborough and Dunolly	Twice a day ...		13 $\frac{1}{2}$		
To and from Melbourne and Wodonga	Twice a day ...		187		
To and from Wangaratta and Beechworth	Twice a day ...		26		
To and from Melbourne and Williamstown	Three times a day ...		9 $\frac{1}{4}$		
Sandhurst to Echuca, morning mail	Once a day ...		55 $\frac{1}{4}$		
Melbourne to Keilor Road (3.55 p.m. mail)	Once a day ...		15		
To and from Ararat and Stawell	Twice a day ...		18 $\frac{3}{4}$		
To and from Geelong and Winchelsea	Once a day ...		25 $\frac{3}{4}$		
To and from Maryborough and Avoca	Twice a day ...		15		
To and from Sandhurst and Inglewood...	Twice a day ...		30		
To and from Ararat and Dunkeld, from 2nd July ...	Twice a day ...		47 $\frac{1}{2}$		
To and from Dunkeld and Hamilton, from 29th October ...	Twice a day ...		19		
To and from Hamilton and Portland, from 19th December ...	Once a day ...		53		
To and from Winchelsea and Colac, from 29th July ...	Twice a day ...		24 $\frac{3}{4}$		
To and from Sale and Morwell, from 1st June	Once a day ...		38 $\frac{3}{4}$		
To and from Oakleigh and Bunyip, from 8th October ...	Once a day ...		38 $\frac{3}{4}$		
To and from Moe and Morwell, from 1st December ...	Once a day ...		8 $\frac{3}{4}$		

* Previously stated.

† Per week.