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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

JUDGES' DUTIES :

RETURN FOR FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF 1886.

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*A RETURN, in accordance with an Order of the Legislative Council,
of Judges' Duties for the first Eight Months of 1886.*

1. Cases tried at the Supreme Court in Hobart, naming time of Judge occupied by same:—37 cases, occupying 15 days.

2. The like for Launceston:—22 cases, occupying 10 days.

3. Cases tried at the Supreme Court in Hobart, in its Small Debts Act Jurisdiction, naming time of Judge occupied by same:—24 cases, occupying 21 days.

4. The like for Launceston:—7 cases, occupying 5 days.

5. Number of times Judge applied to in Chambers in connection with above. Average time of Judge occupied at same:—*Nil* as to Small Debts Jurisdiction; other cases included in reply No. 12.

6. Number of cases tried in Banco:—24.

7. Average time occupied by same:—About 1 day in each case.

8. Number of applications in Chambers as to No. 6—Average time occupied by same:—*Nil*.

9. Number of Bankruptcies in Hobart:—35.

10. Number of Public Examinations under 9—Average time occupied by same:—1, occupying 2 hours.

11. Number of applications in Chambers as to Nos. 9 and 10, and average time occupied by same:—8, average 1 hour each.

12. Any other duties performed by Judges, and average time occupied in each duty:—

Probates granted	124
Administrations granted	62
Curator's orders granted	53
Solicitors admitted in Chambers.....	8
Applications in Chambers	76

Average time, 1½ hours each day.

13. Average time of Judge occupied in Judicial duties during the four last months of 1885:—35 full days; and 38 days, average 1½ hours each.

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Judges' Chambers, 14 October, 1886.