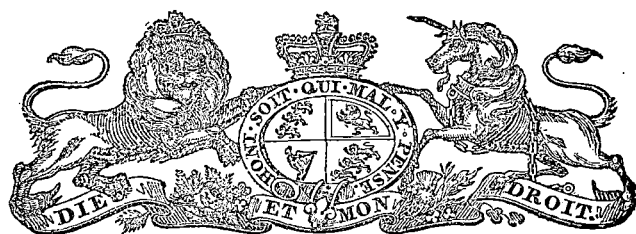


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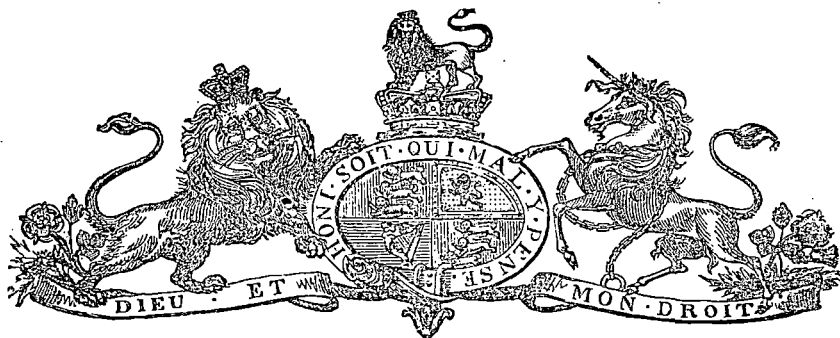
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

PUBLIC WORKS:

REPORT OF ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF.

Laid upon the Table by Mr. Moore, and ordered by the Council to be printed,
July 24, 1883.



Public Works Office, Hobart, 30th June, 1883.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to forward herewith my Annual Report upon "Public Works," showing works carried out, or in progress, since 30th June last, under the several Acts of Parliament referred to herein; being continuation of Return, Paper No. 79, House of Assembly, 1882.

Total Expenditure.—From this Report it will be seen that the Total Expenditure by and through the Department during the year ending 30th instant is about £169,000; while the expenditure of the previous year was £112,000.

Mersey and Deloraine Railway.—Contracts for sleepers, rails, and permanent way fastenings have been entered into, particulars of which are given under the above heading. The necessary working surveys have all been completed, and these proved more troublesome than I expected, as I relied upon being able to make more use of the late Mr. Human's survey than was found possible. The section (13 miles) from Deloraine to Coiler's Creek terminus of the Mersey and Deloraine Railway required restaking and surveying; the stakes were nearly all gone, and the bench marks had been mischievously tampered with. The section (17 miles) from the last-named terminus to Latrobe was not a working survey, and had to be staked and levelled throughout. There was no working survey ever made between Latrobe and the extension on the Formby side of river, and, before finally determining the line, several routes were tried. All this survey work, extending over 37 miles 15 chains, necessarily took a long time. Plans and sections of above have been prepared in the Office, and contract drawings made for the various culverts, bridges, permanent way, &c., and these were again copied and lithographed in the Department, and quantities of all work calculated.

When you consider that Mr. Creswell was the only officer who had had any previous experience in the preparation of railway plans, you will, I am sure, admit that the work has been done with the utmost possible dispatch, while, at the same time, there has been no delay in the preparation of plans and specifications for the various other works carried out by the Department.

Railway Surveys.—Immediately the sanction of the Legislature was given for these works I lost no time in procuring the services of several Engineering Surveyors to make preliminary surveys of the lines. These are nearly completed, and the necessary plans and estimates are now being prepared for the information of Parliament in connection with the Report of the Commission appointed to enquire into the probable traffic on the proposed lines.

Road Surveys.—These have been commenced, but, as the work can be best done by Engineering Surveyors, I propose to utilise the services of the gentlemen engaged for railway surveys when the latter are completed.

Main Roads Construction.—The further completion of the Main Roads has proved very beneficial, and has resulted in a very considerable increase of traffic by coach and otherwise; but, as in other colonies, the extent of construction will have to increase with the development of the country in newly-settled districts, while, in the longer settled localities, improvements in grade, direction, and width will be necessary.

Main Roads Maintenance.—The works under the provisions of the "Main Roads Act" have been steadily carried on with varying results, inseparable from the one great weakness of the system, viz., want of provision for really efficient supervision by the Boards. The officers of the Department in charge of works in the several districts are instructed to give their services to the Boards in preparing for contracts whenever asked, but I have not thought it desirable to allow them to interfere officially with the manner in which these contracts have been carried out, beyond making a report upon any matters that seem to demand the interference of yourself as Commissioner.

In my previous Report I suggested the formation of a few large Main Road Districts only, as the Boards could then employ proper Inspectors, and I am still of this opinion, if the control is left in the hands of the local bodies. It would, however, be greatly to the advantage of all concerned if the entire system of Main Road maintenance were in the hands of the Government, and the expense of supervision would be extremely small, as the various District Inspectors now employed on the special staff throughout the Colony would be available for this purpose. An incidental advantage of the adoption of this plan would be, that when only a small expenditure is being incurred for construction works the Department would be retaining officers now well trained to their duties, and thus be always ready to meet new demands when required, instead of having to engage untrained men as was the case not long ago.

A special report from the Engineer of Roads upon the Main Roads of the Colony generally is attached.

Branch Roads Construction Acts.—The consents required by “The Roads Maintenance Act” have been given in nearly all cases by the Road Trustees, and as soon as these were received the works were laid out and contracts entered into.

The Inspectors have had instructions in all cases to consult with the Road Trustees and meet their views as far as possible.

The results of “The Roads Maintenance Act” will, I trust, be satisfactory in preventing the neglect and injury apparent on the Branch Roads constructed by the Government before the passing of this Act.

The subject of the maintenance of the more important bridges on the branch roads is one that deserves earnest consideration, as very many of the Road Trusts have neither sufficient funds nor skill available for this purpose, and a moderate sum laid out every year where required in the preservation of these works would be well expended. Without such provision these works in the future, as in so many instances in the past, will have their decay unduly hastened, and claims will be made on the Government for their renewal.

Waste Lands Act Expenditure.—The Return shows an expenditure under this Act during the year of £6155 8s. 2d., making, up to date, £63,537 1s. 11d. expended since 1870.

These works are laid out, as far as possible, in the interests of selectors under the Act, whose wishes are first ascertained by the Inspectors.

The necessity for expending portions of the moneys available under this Act for compensation, law, and survey charges in connection with obtaining new lines of road, because the reserved roads are utterly impracticable, or because no outlet at all has been reserved, is of constant occurrence and a cause of much delay and vexation to the selectors. I trust that the necessary regulations will be made by the Lands Office to prevent this in future surveys.

Ordinary Expenditure.—Repairs Public Buildings, &c.—The Return also gives a summary of the expenditure incurred for works under this head as provided for in the Annual Estimates, the total being £18,103 4s. 3d.

This work includes the constant attention to all the demands from the various public institutions and offices, examining and reporting upon the same, and supervising the execution of the works. The Clerk of Works is assisted in these duties, and in supervision of special contracts for buildings, by a practical mechanic.

The special improvements at the Barrack Square have been carried out under contracts for fencing, &c.; and the laying out of the grounds has been directed and superintended by Mr. F. Abbott, of the Royal Society's Gardens, day labour being employed as required.

The improvements in the Queen's Domain, as recommended by the Committee, have also been carried out under Mr. Abbott's direction.

Schools.—The work in connection with repairs to Schools and erection of School Buildings is now very considerable, an expenditure of £3,228 6s. 4d. having been incurred under this head during the year. Reports and Estimates of necessary repairs are furnished by the District Inspectors, and these are examined in the Office before Tenders are invited, and form the basis upon which the Contracts are prepared. In preparing Designs for new School Buildings the Inspectors of Schools are consulted in order that their special knowledge of the requirements of each case, with regard to accommodation and arrangement of the Buildings, may make the Designs as complete as possible. The preparation of Plans Specifications, and copies of same, keeps two or three of the temporary Officers constantly employed, and construction is supervised by the District Inspectors.

Telegraphs.—The works of construction of Telegraph Lines and the maintenance of existing Lines have been carried on during the year under the supervision of a special Officer appointed for this purpose, and the results have been satisfactory.

I have to acknowledge the valuable assistance given by the Superintendent of Telegraphs, and beg again to submit for consideration the desirability of putting this work altogether under the control of the Telegraph Department, as suggested in my letter of 30th June last.

Batteries.—These works are more directly under the care of the Staff Officer, assisted by a Clerk of Works appointed by this Department; but all certificates for payments have to be given by this Department.

Machinery.—The Stone-breaking Machinery has been employed as usual during the year with advantage, worked by men employed by this Department, and all repairs effected under the direction of Mr. W. E. Batchelor, Locomotive Superintendent, Launceston and Western Railway. Contractors are glad to avail themselves of the use of these machines; and a charge per yard has been made for metal broken sufficient to cover all expenses and allow a fair margin for wear and tear. Special conditions relating to the supply and use of the machinery have lately been approved.

In order to meet the increasing demands in this respect, and facilitate the execution of works, more machines have been ordered from Victoria. I also consider it would be desirable to purchase some Road Rollers, to be drawn by horse power.

Tenders.—There has still been great difficulty in obtaining anything like fair competition for many of the works, the results in great measure being similar to those referred to in last report. Advertisements were also inserted in the newspapers of the other Colonies with a view to obtaining competition, but without any success.

Contracts.—There have been several cases during this year where tenderers have failed to proceed with the works after their tenders have been accepted, causing in such instances considerable inconvenience and delay. Owing to the scarcity of labour, and the want of energy and means on the part of some contractors, the completion of several works has been greatly delayed, and, in some instances, where neglect and incompetency have been manifested, the contracts have been terminated and the works are being completed by the Department.

Day Labour and Piece-work.—It has been found absolutely necessary in some instances to adopt this system in order to get works carried out, and the Department in these cases has had the works performed under the constant supervision of an Overseer with the assistance of the District Inspector.

Officers.—The Out-door Officers employed during the year have been two Inspectors and one Clerk of Works, as provided for in the Estimates, together with a temporary staff of eight District Inspectors, besides Overseers or Sub-Inspectors engaged where necessary. Special professional assistance for Architectural work has been continued during the year, also the employment of the necessary Drafting and Clerical Staff of a special character, in addition to that provided for on the Estimates. The cost of the Special Staff for out-door and office work is charged, as stated in my previous report, against the provision for the works on account of which these officers' services are required, and the total expenditure of this nature, with that provided for in the Annual Estimates, is about £12,700 for the year, or say $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. to the total actual expenditure for this period, while last year the average rate was 8 per cent. It would, however, be a much more satisfactory arrangement if provision were made by the Legislature to meet the cost of the additional or temporary assistance required by the Department for out-door and office work in connection with "Special Public Works," including cost of advertising incident to the same. If a sum equal to these requirements were thus sanctioned, the details of expenditure could accompany this report regularly for the information of Parliament; and such an arrangement would greatly facilitate the business of the Department, as the present practice causes a great deal of unnecessary work in apportioning these charges against the respective votes, which can at best be only approximately done.

Applications were invited in December last for an Engineer of Roads, as such an appointment was rendered absolutely necessary owing to the increasing work of the Department and the impossibility of my being able to devote from my other duties the necessary time required for inspection and supervision in this respect. Mr. William Duffy, of South Australia, was selected out of a large number of applicants, and has been engaged in this capacity since March; his appointment being for one year, and, conditionally upon satisfactory performance of the duties, to be continued, at a salary of £550 per annum and travelling allowances.

Office Accommodation.—Considerable inconvenience has been experienced owing to the want of sufficient office accommodation, and it has been necessary to rent other offices to enable the work of the Department to be carried on pending completion of the new offices now in progress. This inconvenience was to some extent relieved through the kindness of the Hon. the Speaker of the House of Assembly, who allowed the Committee Room to be used as an office during the recess.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

JAMES FINCHAM, *Engineer-in-Chief.*

*The Hon. N. J. BROWN, M.H.A.,
Minister of Lands and Works.*

REPORT of Engineer of Roads on the Main Roads and other principal Roads of Tasmania.

SIR,

IN accordance with your instructions I have visited and inspected both the Main and other principal roads in the North-West and North-East Coasts, Port Cygnet, Huon, New Norfolk, Ouse, Campania, Richmond, Sorell, Tunnack, and other localities, with the view to the future requirements of these roads.

Width of Roads.—I find that the width of nearly all the main and principal roads of Tasmania varies from 66 feet to 25 feet between the fence lines—in fact, degenerate into accommodation lanes. Where construction works are in progress, owing to the very scant width of the road free for traffic, such construction work becomes a hindrance to traffic, and a source of danger to the public, who are forced to travel over the road in whatever state, during its construction, it may be; and this traffic is also a serious loss and hindrance to the contractor, and to the road a most serious injury. In very many places on these roads it is impossible to provide by a temporary road for diverting traffic during construction, owing to the very narrow width devoted to the road traffic, particularly in heavy sideling ground and heavily-timbered country.

I have carefully inspected the Main Road from Hobart to Launceston, and examined the bridges, culverts, and other works on this most important main road. It is, as far I can learn, the only main road for which Legislative authority has been employed to define the width of road. In 10th Victoriae, No. 12, Clause 3, it is ordered that the width of the Main Road, “shall in all places be sixty feet wide of clear passable road, including footpaths, and exclusive of any bank, ditch, or fence on either side thereof.”

Encroachment on Main Roads.—I regret to state that in many instances encroachments have been made by owners or occupiers on the width of the Hobart and Launceston Main Road in past years; that in many places these encroachments have narrowed the road to a width between the fences of 45 and 42 feet. Many such encroachments have been in existence for very many years, so long, in fact, that I am of opinion that the proprietors would hold that the present boundaries are correct, and would be prepared to resist by an action at law any attempt to adopt the original road boundaries. The width of other roads, whether main or principal roads, has never been defined, and, as a consequence, whilst in some parts the width is 66 feet, it narrows in other parts into possibly 50 feet or 30 feet, or even 20 feet. These varying widths must increase the difficulty both of construction and maintenance of these roads. The traffic is forced into one track, and during temporary repairs or construction the annoyance and danger inflicted on the public is great.

The origin of these narrow roads is clearly traceable to the small sums of money voted in past years to opening up important roads through dense timber, and over steep ranges and otherwise difficult country. In times gone by, when traffic was limited, and population not only scanty but decreasing, these narrow roads and tracks sufficed for their wants; but not so at present, when mineral wealth is daily being discovered and farming interests acquiring new life and large developments,—with coach and mail traffic springing into life, and invading districts that a few years since were covered with dense forests and undergrowth.

In most, if not in all, of the difficult portions of the principal and important roads in the mountain passes and across dividing ranges, the roads degenerate into narrow tracks full of holes, slabbed in places, but badly out of repair, undrained, and very narrow. In many parts it is almost impossible, owing to the width of the road and its dangerous surroundings, for drays or light vehicles to pass each other. The timber and undergrowth in most instances have been cleared off the track

to the very narrowest width, and the traffic is forced into one track on which neither sun nor wind can exert any beneficial or drying influence. Most of the important roads over the ranges were opened up through dense forests, on the sides of mountains and through deep gullies, and in consequence have not in all cases been located to the best advantage.

Reserves for Roads.—In the survey of lands for settlement, reserves for roads have as a rule been provided, but in many places the roads laid out have not been surveyed to suit the requirements of settlers. Straight lines have been surveyed irrespective of almost insurmountable difficulties, such as steep ranges, gullies, and mountain streams; and many farms and homesteads are practically unprovided with roads. It should be made a most positive instruction to the Surveyor that the road should be so laid out as to take advantage of all natural facilities; and the survey of sections should be fitted on to these roads.

Since the discovery of minerals in the north-west and north-east of Tasmania, many miles of the narrow accommodation roads, that were originally opened up and cleared for the use of farmers and settlers in country districts, have now to do duty as principal district roads. The original width of these roads was narrow, and it has been in many parts much curtailed by the habit which has been allowed to grow up of placing and packing logs, stumps, large and small limbs of trees on the road sides. Blackberries, briars, and gorse are allowed to grow on the sides of made and bush roads; and in many districts these undergrowths have assumed very large dimensions, and have become of great injury to the roads, curtailing width and affording harbour to rabbits and other vermin.

Slab Roads.—The system of slabbing important tracks and roads that has hitherto been adopted throughout all parts of Tasmania, is both expensive and dangerous. Where marsh land, swamps, and undrained land has to be crossed, as a temporary expedient corduroy roads, built on a solid foundation properly drained may be tolerated, but only under pressing and exceptional circumstances. Where proper road materials can at all be procured, such swamp land should be drained, embanked, possibly on fascines or brush, and coated over with metal. Where slabs have been laid on long timbers or sleeper logs, after the first few years this hollow road is dangerous to life and limb, and the road is worse than useless. Owing no doubt to the ease with which round logs and slabs have been procured, this method of coating the roadway prevailed, and was extended to bridging over blind gullies and ravines through which very small streams flowed, and after a few years of traffic these decks became defective and out of repair, and added greatly to the dangers of the road, as the timber used in these slab roads, and even in the decking of many of the bridges and culverts, is perishable and short-lived, and wholly unfit to withstand the wear and tear of road traffic. The tops of bridges and culverts soon require to be repaired, if not renewed, and unfortunately in many instances they are totally neglected.

The experience of the Australian Colonies goes to show that such timbers as stringy-bark and swamp gum are unfitted for bridge, culvert, or slab purposes, and most certainly the bridges and works that I have inspected in Tasmania quite confirm that experience. I am told that Tasmanian blue gum and peppermint are good durable timbers: unfortunately I have found little or no blue gum in the bridges I have as yet examined; the peppermint as a rule is not sound when it grows to large sized timber, and cannot in consequence be reckoned as a bridge timber. The expense of providing and building inferior timbers in bridge structures is the same as for proper and suitable timber. The life of stringy-bark and swamp gum in bridges, jetty work, or culverts, is about one-fourth that of good blue gum, red gum, iron bark, or jarrah.

For the most part, materials for road making, of good quality and in quantity, abound generally in Tasmania. In some localities, gravel of good quality for road purposes exists, but should be sparingly employed, as the roads are metalled or gravelled with so narrow a strip as to be in fact but a one-track road, upon which the whole traffic is concentrated. Such a road requires the very best and strongest materials, and gravel as a rule is not strong enough to meet such wear and traffic. In the Road Trust Districts where gravel is used the road soon requires fresh repairs, and if these are not attended to promptly the road is soon out of order and great annoyance and dissatisfaction is created. Under the name of gravel many kinds of earth and sand have been made to do duty, and, as a necessary consequence, the work of making the road thrown away, and general dissatisfaction engendered.

The system in use under the Road Trusts of coating over the centre formation of new roads with rubble large in size and scarcely broken over on the top, even if afterwards coated over with hand broken or machine broken metal, is most unsatisfactory and dangerous, as the large stones soon make their appearance on the top, and the roadway is rendered both unsafe and rough. In part owing to the scarcity of labour, and in part to prejudice, the labouring class in this Colony are unwilling to break metal for the roads except at very high and prohibitive rates. The stone-crushers belonging to the Government are too few in number to meet the wants of all the roads, and the culvert and bridge decks are so weak and out of repair as to render the removal of these machines both difficult and costly.

The license hitherto enjoyed by teamsters, farmers, and others, in carrying very heavy loads on very narrow wheels, has resulted in serious injury to the roads of the Colony, and the wear and tear of metal roads have been unnecessarily increased. Proper and stringently enforced regulations as to the width of tires and the weights of the loads to be carried over all important roads must be in existence before the maintenance of made roads can be brought within moderate bounds.

It is to be regretted that hitherto the efficiency and utility of the Road Trust system has been so greatly hampered by the smallness and number of the Trusts. As the power to benefit any district by making and maintaining good roads is limited to the money resources of the district, small districts with scanty resources are an injury to the road system of the Colony, and the multiplicity of officers, even where salaries are small, is a tax on the road funds. In most instances these Road Trusts of necessity constitute the Main Road Boards, and where the members of these Boards and their clerks have not the necessary experience in making and maintaining roads, the roads are neglected and allowed to fall into bad repair. The inconvenience to the travelling public becomes almost intolerable before the Government is called upon to take over the maintenance of these roads. The members of some of these Road Trusts become mixed up in their individual and private capacities with the road contractors, and efficient control becomes difficult, and is often neglected. The complaints of the Government Officers against bad work and want of repairs are wholly disregarded, and valuable work on Main Roads is allowed to fall into bad repair and become dangerous.

I would respectfully recommend for your consideration whether the following Main and principal roads of the Colony should not be placed under the direct charge and sole control of the Government :—

Hobart to Launceston.
 Bridgewater to Ouse.
 New Norfolk to Glenora.
 Melton Mowbray to Bothwell.
 Bellerive to Sorell.
 Bellerive to Swansea.
 Sorell to Carlton.
 Campania, *viâ* Searle's Bridge, to Swansea.
 Campania, *viâ* Richmond, to Kangaroo Point.
 Campania to Jerusalem.
 Bellerive to Muddy Plains.
 Eastern Marshes, *viâ* Tunnack, to Oatlands.
 Hobart to Kingston.
 Hobart, *viâ* Victoria and Franklin, to Esperance.
 Victoria to Port Cygnet Jetty.
 Launceston to Carrick.
 Latrobe to Circular Head.
 Latrobe to Sheffield.
 Deloraine to Chudleigh.
 Breadalbane to Evandale and Lymington.
 Launceston, *viâ* Lisle, Scottsdale, to Branxholm.
 Mount Victoria to Bridport.
 Corners on Main Line, *viâ* Fingal, St. Mary's, to George's Bay.
 Launceston, *viâ* Mount Direction, to George Town.
 Launceston, *viâ* Rosevear, to Beaconsfield, Beauty Point.

I would also advise that all future roads to important centres be declared a minimum width of 66 feet, and over ranges or through otherwise difficult country the minimum width be 132 feet; that provision be made to have all existing important roads enlarged to the minimum width of 66 feet.

The other roads to be, as at present, under the charge of the Road Trusts, the number of which should be greatly reduced, and the area of the districts enlarged; that tracks to mineral districts and for the exploration of the country be undertaken by the Government; that all jetties and bridges over large and tidal rivers be under the charge of the Government.

In mountain country and through dense forest land new roads and present existing roads should be cleared of all timber for the full width of 66 feet, and that for a further width of 1 chain the undergrowth and scrub should be removed and kept cleared, and all standing timber killed, so that the sun and wind might have full play upon the road and tracks; that side-drains and culverts should be the first instalments to the roads of all newly-opened districts; and until the road is properly constructed and metalled, the existing surface should not be disturbed beyond being properly drained and opened up to the influence of sun and wind.

I would strongly urge the benefit to the roads and road making in the use of road-rollers. Such road-rollers, capable of being weighted up to seven or eight tons, can be procured at a cost of about £60 each, and as four horses could work these machines, the roads of Tasmania could be consolidated and rendered fit for traffic at a small cost. Repairs to roads, and newly constructed roads, could easily be brought to a smooth and durable surface, and the roads would receive a substantial benefit.

I would recommend that in all instances where bridge decks have been placed over blind gullies and small streams, these bridges should be done away with and replaced with strong log culverts, placed low down, and covered with earth banks properly metalled. All hollow slab roads should, as soon as possible, be taken up and replaced with earth embankments, as at present when out of repair they are dangerous traps.

Culverts under main roads should be built, as far as possible, either in stone or earthenware pipes; and all made roads should be coated with metal broken to a small gauge,—say, four inches for bottom metal, with a coat of top metal broken to a $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch gauge,—and the use of gravel as a rule discouraged. Permanent roadmen should be located at stated distances on main roads, whose duties should be to keep main roads free from rain and other water and thoroughly drained, fill up ruts, keep drains and water tables clean, grub up and destroy all briars, blackberry bushes, gorse, and undergrowth; and in times when large repairs were being done, act as gangers and leading men to the labourers then employed. Constant and daily supervision of all main roads, and prompt attention to repairs, will be found to conduce to efficiency and economy.

WILLIAM DUFFY, *Engineer of Roads.*

To the Engineer-in-Chief.

WASTE LANDS ACT, 1870, 34 VICT. No. 10.

EXPENDITURE against Amounts provided in accordance with the Act.

COUNTY OF DEVON.

ROADS, VICINITY OF CASTRA.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£3900.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	3773	13	2

ROADS, STOODLEY AND DULVERTON.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£2270.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2212	4	1

No additional expenditure has been incurred in either of these districts.

ROADS, &c., VICINITY OF THE NOOK.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1943.

The contract of W. Atwell, referred to in last return, has been completed at a cost of £69 16s. 3d. No further works have been carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1831	19	7
Since expended	53	4	3
	£1885	3	10

ROADS, MALLING AND PARKHAM.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£2846 3s. 9d.

Tenders were invited in November last for constructing bridge over the Rubicon River, and that of Mr. S. Flowers, at £59, accepted. This tenderer, however, was unable to carry out the works, owing to removal from the district, and the next lowest tender, that of Mr. W. Milne, at £70 10s., was accepted. Tenders were also received in March last for Section 5, about 10 chains of road works (Tongataboo Road), and that of Mr. C. Powell, at £101 15s. 9d., accepted. First instalment of £60 has been paid on account.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2303	4	11
Since expended	87	13	2
	£2390	18	1

ROADS, ASHWATER AND STOWPORT.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£3300.

Tenders were received in July last for works on Section 1, grubbing and clearing 24 chains, embankment, log bridge, &c., and that of Mr. T. S. Rutherford, at £68 8s., accepted. Tenders for grubbing and clearing on two sections were also received in October, and those of Messrs. Mitchell Bros. and H. Templar, at £12 and £59 9s., accepted. These contracts have been completed and paid for.

Tenders were received in April last for works on Section 5, road to Messrs. Mitchell's selection, and that of W. W. Wellard, at £58 2s. 6d., accepted. Subsequently, however, this contractor declined to carry out the work, and offers for reduced works are now invited.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2460	3	5
Since expended	183	17	8
	£2644	1	1

ROADS, FORRABURY, HARFORD, AND TEMPLETON.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£650.

An amount of £45 has been paid to the Harford and Templeton Road Trust for works carried out by the Trust in fencing and clearing on road in this locality, for the benefit of selections under the Act.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	476	15	1
Since expended	46	2	0
	<u>£522</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>1</u>

ROADS, MARLAND.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£750.

Tenders were received in January last for general works on 5 sections of road in this locality. No satisfactory offer was received for Sections 1, 2, and 5, but the tender of Messrs. M'Kenzie and Campbell was accepted for Sections 3 and 4, at £293 17s. 4d. and £230 respectively. These works are in progress, and the amount of £120 has been paid on account of same.

Tenders for Sections 1, 2, and 5 have recently been re-invited, and the following accepted:—

Section 1. M. and J. Spillane, at £838 12s.

Section 2. Messrs. Gowan and Dutton, at £185 15s.

Section 5. M. and J. Spillane, at £379 10s.

Part of the cost of these works will be charged to the vote of £800 for West Tamar and Green's Creek Road, under 46 Vict. No. 24.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	70	16	3
Since expended	228	10	5
	<u>£299</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>

ROADS, WINKLEIGH AND WELLS.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1450.

Tenders were received in December last for works on Section 6 of road in this locality, in continuation of Section 5, referred to in former return, consisting of general works extending over a distance of about half a mile, and the tender of Messrs. M'Kenzie and Campbell, at £138 9s. 6d., accepted. This work is in progress, and the amount of £80 has been paid on account of same. An amount of £77 5s. 2d. has also been paid as compensation in connection with road through private property.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	887	13	2
Since expended	176	12	6
	<u>£1064</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>

ROADS, BRIDGENORTH.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£530.

No further works carried out since last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	447	18	4
Since expended	7	11	0
	<u>£455</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>4</u>

ROADS, KENTISBURY.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1875 10s.

Day works on road from Sheffield to Mount Claude have been carried out to the extent of about £300, as referred to in last return. For other expenditure on this road (Sheffield to Mount Claude) see vote under "Branch Roads Construction Act, 1882," and under Supplementary Estimates.

Tenders were received in December last for works on Sections 3 and 4 of this road—

Section 3. From Sheffield to Paradise, general road works, for a distance of 27 chains;

Section 4. Ditto, a distance of 73 chains;

for which Messrs. Duff and Hope's, at £257 10s. and £271 5s., have been accepted.

Tenders were also received in March last for works on Sections 5 and 6, viz.—

Section 5. Grubbing and clearing, &c. 101 chains;

Section 6. Ditto, 97 chains;

and the following were accepted, viz.—

Section 5. Charleston and Duff, £119 2s. 6d.

Section 6. H. Day, at £157 12s. 6d.

£181 4s. has been paid on account of Sections 3 and 4, and £84 10s. on account of Section 6. Section 5 has been completed, at a cost of £121 2s. 6d.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1124	10	11
Since expended	637	2	11
	<u>£1761</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>10</u>

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF ROLAND.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1400.

The contract of Messrs. Turnbull and Sons, referred to in last return, has been completed at a cost of £385 19s. 6d. An amount of £15 has also been paid for repairs to bridge over River Dasher (injured by fire), the work being carried out by the Kentisbury Road Trust.

No other works have been carried out in this locality.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1123	2	0
Since expended	278	11	6
	<u>£1401</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>6</u>

ROADS, &c. MIDHURST AND ASHGROVE.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1177.

Tenders were received in December last for works on Section 3 of road in this locality, forming and metalling a distance of about 19 chains, for which the tender of Messrs. T. Keating and Sons, at £119 4s., has been accepted. This work is in progress, and the amount of £56 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	943	16	0
Since expended	69	7	4
	<u>£1013</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>

ROADS, BARRINGTON.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1309.

No further works have been carried out in this locality.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1028	1	6
Since expended	3	17	7
	<u>£1031</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>1</u>

ROADS, ABBOTSHAM AND BRADWORTHY.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1825.

Tenders were received in August last for grubbing and clearing on Section 8, a distance of 43 $\frac{3}{4}$ chains, for which the tender of J. Dennison, at £49, has been accepted. The work has been completed and paid for.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	830	5	5
Since expended	58	18	4
	<u>£889</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>9</u>

ROADS, NORTH MOTTON.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1550.

No further works have been carried out in this locality since last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	941	12	0
Since expended	18	8	1
	£960	0	1

COUNTIES OF WESTMORLAND AND DEVON.

ROADS, &c., VICINITY OF CHUDLEIGH.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£2600.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2017	7	2
Since expended	6	5	0
	£2023	12	2

COUNTY OF WESTMORLAND.

ROADS, QUAMBY'S BLUFF AND QUAMBY'S BROOK, NEAR DELORAINE.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1850.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1640	19	1
Since expended	2	10	0
	£1643	9	1

ROADS, DALEBROOK.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£800.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	709	5	6
Since expended		nil.	

ROADS, BRUMBY'S CREEK.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£600.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	31	7	1
Since expended	13	15	2
	£45	2	3

No works have been carried out in these four last-mentioned localities since last return.

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF ARCHER.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1000.

Tenders were received in March last for work on five sections of road in this locality. No satisfactory offer was received for Sections 1, 3, 4, and 5, which are now re-advertised. The tender of E. King, at £223 15s., has been accepted for Section 2, road from Deloraine to Cheshunt, bridge over River Meander, forming, gravelling, culverts, &c. for a distance of about 42 chains.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	0	12	0
Since expended	17	11	1
	£18	3	1

COUNTY OF WELLINGTON.

ROADS, &c., FLOWERDALE, VICINITY OF TABLE CAPE.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1200.

No further works have been carried out in this locality.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1016	0	2
Since expended	5	6	8
	<u>£1021</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>

ROADS, &c., VICINITY OF CAM AND SEABROOK.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1850.

The contract of Mr. E. O'Reilly referred to in last report, has been completed, and the balance paid. Tenders were also received in September last for general works on Section 4, for a distance of about 50 chains, and the tender of Mr. G. Morey, at £74 16s, accepted. This contract has been completed, and the amount paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1146	1	10
Since expended	186	3	5
	<u>£1332</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>

ROADS, VICINITY OF MONTAGU RIVER, CIRCULAR HEAD.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£450.

No further works have been carried out in this locality.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	443	16	2
Since expended	1	4	0
	<u>£445</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>

COUNTY OF DORSET.

ROADS, VICINITY OF UPPER PIPER.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£3530.

The contract of Messrs. Wells and Somerville, referred to in last return, has been completed at a cost of £275 15s. 8d.

Sections 14, 15, 16 have also been completed at cost of £128 16s., £50, and £27 9s. respectively.

Tenders were received in July last for works on Section 22, grubbing and clearing, &c., a distance of 80 chains, and the tender of Messrs. Somerville and Murray, at £84 10s., accepted. The contractors for this section have failed to properly carry out the works, and an amount of £38 11s. 3d. only has been paid on account of same.

Tenders were also invited in September last for grubbing, clearing, and forming on Section 23, a distance of 23 chains, and that of Mr. J. F. Murray, at £44, accepted. £25 has been paid on account of this contract.

In March last tenders were received for works on Section 24 of road in this locality (bridge over Piper River with approaches, and other general road works for a distance of about 64 chains), and that of Messrs. Windsor and Eagle, at £417, was accepted. The amount of £136 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2440	16	4
Since expended	621	17	11
	<u>£3062</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>3</u>

ROADS, &c., SPRINGFIELD AND SCOTTSDALE.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£3250.

Tenders for Section 5, referred to in last return, were re-invited in October last, and resulted in that of Mr. M. Hardy, at £75, being accepted. Amount paid on account of contract, £50.

The following contracts have also been entered into for works in this locality :—

Section 12. Completion of road cleared under J. S. Cherry's contract, referred to in last return, general works, for a distance of about 116 chains.—G. E. Wake, at £119 15s. Work completed at a cost of £131 15s.

Section 4. Grubbing and clearing, &c., 58½ chains.—G. E. Wake, at £122 18s., accepted. Amount of £65 paid on account.

Section 3. Grubbing and clearing, &c., 97½ chains.—G. E. Wake, at £127 9s. Amount of £36 paid on account.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2589	9	1
Since expended	360	5	2
	<u>£2949</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>3</u>

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF KAY, UPPER RINGAROOMA.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£3850.

Balance on contract for Section 10, referred to in last return, was paid contractor in August last, and on contract of Mr. Hardy for Dorset River Bridge, in March of the present year. Tenders were also invited in August for works on Sections 11 and 12 ; viz.—

Section 11. Grubbing and clearing, forming, &c., 52 chains.

Section 12. Grubbing and clearing, forming, &c., 85 chains.

No tenders being received, the works were again advertised in December, and that of D. Rainbow, at £138 16s., accepted for Section 12.

Tenders were a third time called for Section 11 in January, and that of W. C. Clark accepted for works to the extent of about £70. £30 has been paid on account of Section 11, and £120 on account of Section 12.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	3141	18	3
Since expended	202	2	4
	<u>£3344</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7</u>

ROADS, &c., GEORGE'S BAY AND GOULD'S COUNTRY.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£2200.

Tenders were received in May, 1882, for general works on road from Jason's Gates to Medea's Cove, and that of Mr. G. H. Briggs, at £168, accepted. The tender of Messrs. R. Apted and Sons, at £204 16s. 6d., was also accepted in July last for general works on Gould's Country Road, a distance of 66 chains, and both these contracts have been completed and the amount paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return 30th June, 1882	1079	1	6
Since expended	505	10	10
	<u>£1584</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>

ROADS, &c., MOORINA.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1700.

No further contracts have been entered into for works in this locality. The amount of £260 of the funds available has been authorised in aid of contract of W. Faulkner, Road Branhholm to Moorina, as referred to under that heading.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return 30th June, 1882	496	8	4
Since expended	182	11	6
	<u>£678</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>10</u>

ROADS, &c., LOWER PIPER RIVER.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£950.

No further works have been carried out in this locality.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	587	3	0
Since expended	47	5	3
	<u>£634</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>

ROADS, VICINITY OF HALL'S TRACK, UPPER PIPER.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1200.

The balance due on account of Section 17, referred to in last report, was paid in November last.

Tenders were received in December for works on Section 21 (a distance of 103 chains, general works), and that of Mr. J. F. Murray accepted, at £247 13s. £80 has been paid on account. An amount of £41 1s. 9d. has also been paid for survey of road to Back Creek.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1071	1	10
Since expended	184	13	8
	<u>£1255</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6</u>

COUNTY OF CORNWALL.

ROADS, &c., BRENTWOOD AND BLESSINGTON.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£600.

For particulars of works in this locality, see heading for Road from Evandale to Settlements at Blessington (English and Irish Towns, Branch Roads Construction Act, 1881), part of the cost of which will be charged against this heading.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1	13	6
Since expended			<i>Nil.</i>

ROADS, &c., EGREMONT, FINGAL DISTRICT.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£699.

Tenders were received in January last for works on Section 2—grubbing and clearing, forming, &c., a distance of about 45 chains,—and that of Mr. J. L. Fieldwick junr., at Schedule prices, accepted. This work has been completed, at a cost of £75 8s.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	631	10	7
Since expended	86	16	4
	<u>£718</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>11</u>

ROADS, KENDALL AND GRAY.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£700.

Tenders were received in February for works on Section 1 of road in this locality, viz.—Grubbing, clearing, forming, &c., a distance of 120 chains, and that of H. Kringle accepted at Schedule prices for works to the extent of £150. No payments on account of this contract have yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	671	13	9
Since expended	20	13	4
	<u>£692</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>

COUNTY OF MONMOUTH.

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF WHITEFOORD.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£4522.

All the contracts referred to in last return have been completed and paid for as under :—

	£	s.	d.
Sections 8 and 9.....	98	3	0
Section 10	169	2	9
Sections 11, 12, 13, and 15 ..	287	11	0
Section 14	44	0	0

No further contracts have been entered into.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	3199	12	8
Since expended	480	2	9
	<u>£3679</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>5</u>

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF JERVIS, VICINITY OF CONSTITUTION HILL.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£500.

No works have been carried out in this district. Expenditure still deferred pending settlement of question as to roads through private properties.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	8	19	0

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF WALLACE, VICINITY OF BROADMARSH.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£300.

No expenditure has been incurred since last return, but the road has been marked out and survey made through private property.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	219	6	2
Since expended	6	16	0
	<u>£226</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF PELHAM, HOLLOW-TREE BOTTOM.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£500.

No expenditure since last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	187	16	11

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF MELVILLE.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£290.

Tenders were received in November last for works on Section 1 of road in this locality, from Broadmarsh to Dromedary (grubbing and clearing, forming in places, culverts, ditches, &c.), and the tender of R. Povey, at £107 12s., was accepted. This contractor, however, being unable, through ill-health, to carry out the work, tenders were again invited and that of Messrs. Murphy Bros., at £97 7s., accepted. Extra works on this contract have also been ordered to the amount of about £30. No payments on account have yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	177	15	11
Since expended	10	6	4
	<u>£188</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF ORMAIG, WHITE KANGAROO RIVULET.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£325.

No expenditure since last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	301	19	1

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF HARTINGTON, VICINITY OF SPRING HILL BOTTOM.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£400.

An instalment of £50 has been paid on account of contract of J. Alcock referred to in last return.
No other works have been carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return 30th June, 1882	201	17	0
Since expended	61	5	0
	£263	2	0

ROADS, APSLEY AND BEAUFORT.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£600.

No works have been undertaken in this locality, but the Inspector of Roads has recently made a preliminary inspection in order to obtain particulars of works. Survey of this road which passes entirely through private properties has also just been received.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	0	12	0
Since expended	14	12	0
	15	4	0

COUNTY OF BUCKINGHAM.

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF UXBRIDGE, NEW NORFOLK DISTRICT.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1720.

No further expenditure in this locality.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1780	8	0
Since expended	2	17	3
	£1783	5	3

ROADS, VICINITY OF MONTOS MARSH, HAMILTON DISTRICT.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£800.

No further expenditure.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	729	9	1

ROADS, &c., UPPER SORELL RIVER, PARISHES OF CAMDEN AND WELLINGTON.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1300.

Second instalment of £100 has been paid on account of Mr. A. Sawyer's contract, referred to in last return. No further works have been entered into.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1031	10	5
Since expended	101	15	0
	£1133	5	5

ROADS, PARISHES OF NEW NORFOLK AND MOLESWORTH.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£600.

The contract of Mr. C. F. Eiszele referred to in last return is not yet completed, the amount of £200 having been paid on account of same. Local tenders for works on this road were also received in July last, and that of Messrs. Coleman and Pegler accepted at schedule prices, for clearing, forming, grubbing, &c., on Section 1, and the amount of £100 has been paid on account of these works.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	15	18	6
Since expended	305	18	8
	321	17	2

ROADS, &c., GLENORCHY.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1414 2s. 6d.

No further works carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1139	19	11
Since expended		Nil.	

ROADS, &c., VICINITY OF PORT CYGNET.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£750.

No further works carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	672	3	1
Since expended	0	14	0
	£672	17	1

ROADS, &c., SANDFLY BASIN AND PARISH OF CHAMP.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1051.

The contract of Messrs. Wilson and Sons referred to in last return has been completed at a cost of £42 12s. No further works have been carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1006	17	2
Since expended	70	2	0
	£1076	19	2

ROADS, NICHOLLS' RIVULET.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£440.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882 ..	398	0	9

ROADS, MOUNTAIN RIVER, HUON.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£400.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	397	7	5

ROADS, &c., GARDNER'S BAY, VICINITY OF PORT CYGNET.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£460.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	447	15	6

No further works have been carried out in the three previously-mentioned districts.

ROADS, VICINITY OF TOWN OF HULL, PARISH OF RANELAGH.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£730.

Payment of £21 on account of Section 8 was made in July last, and of £35 19s. 6d., balance and extras, on Section 7. An amount of £20 has also been paid for forming a distance of 40 chains, carried out under contract of Messrs. Turfrey, Wells, and Brown.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	633	6	8
Since expended	78	14	6
	<u>£712</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

ROADS, KINGBOROUGH, CONINGHAM, AND BAGOT, VICINITY OF OYSTER COVE AND THREE HUT POINT.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1100.

Expenditure to the amount of about £60 has been incurred for work by day labour, &c., as referred to in last return.

Tenders were received in December last for works on Section 3 of road in this locality—viz., grubbing and clearing, culverts, bridges, &c., for which the tender of Messrs. Bradley Bros., at £115 6s. 6d., was accepted. This contract is in progress, and the amount of £80 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	677	12	0
Since expended	147	19	5
	<u>£825</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>5</u>

ROADS, DEEP BAY, HUON.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£250.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	238	1	4

COUNTY OF KENT.

ROADS, PARISH OF LEITHBRIDGE, VICINITY OF FRANKLIN.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1295.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	960	8	6

There has not been any expenditure in the two last-named localities since last return.

ROADS AND BRIDGES, HONEYWOOD.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1880.

The contract of Mr. R. Ford for bridge over Kermandie River has been completed at a cost of £128 7s. Tenders were received in March last for general road works on Section 4, for which that of Messrs. Langdon, Eaves, & Co. was accepted. This contract is in progress, but no payment has yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1667	18	6
Since expended	166	13	5
	<u>£1834</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>

ROADS, &c., PARISH OF GARRETT, VICINITY OF LADY'S BAY.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£250.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	160	18	6

ROADS, PARISH OF PRICE, VICINITY OF SURGES BAY.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£250.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	157	12	1

COUNTY OF PEMBROKE.

ROADS, BREAM CREEK, SORELL.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£700.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	518	0	9
Since expended	30	0	0
	<u>£548</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>

There has not been any expenditure for works in these three last-mentioned localities since last return.

ROADS, VICINITY OF TASMAN'S PENINSULA.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£500.

Tenders were received in November last for works on 3 sections of road in this locality; viz.—

Section 1. Vicinity of Newman's Bottom.—95 chains grubbing and clearing.

Section 2. Vicinity of Cascades.—Grubbing and clearing, forming, culverts, &c., a distance of 50 chains.

Section 3. Grubbing and clearing, 130 chains.

For Section 1 the tender of Messrs. T. and J. Stubbings, at £87 17s. 6d., was accepted. No satisfactory offers being received for Sections 2 and 3, tenders were again invited in December last, and the following accepted:—

Section 2. M. J. Clark and Stubbings, at £80 10s.

Section 3. Ditto, £66 10s.

All these contracts have been completed, and the amounts paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2	16	8
Since expended	247	3	8
	<u>£250</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>

ROADS, PARISH OF CANNING.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£410.

Expenditure by day labour has been incurred since last return to the extent of about £120. No further works have been carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	261	8	6
Since expended	133	17	9
	<u>£395</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>

COUNTY OF LINCOLN.

PARISH OF HORNCastle.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1000.

No works have been carried out in this locality.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	16	2	8

SUMMARY showing Amounts authorised and expended to 30th June, 1883, in the under-mentioned Localities under the provisions of "The Waste Lands Act, 1870," 34 Vict. No. 10.

County.	Parish.	Amount authorised.	Amount expended since last Return.	Total expended to Date.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Devon	Castra.....	3900 0 0	—	3773 13 2
Ditto	Stoodley and Dulverton.....	2270 0 0	—	2212 4 1
Ditto	Nook.....	1943 0 0	53 4 3	1885 3 10
Ditto	Malling and Parkham.....	2846 3 9	87 13 2	2390 18 1
Ditto	Ashwater and Stowport.....	3300 0 0	183 17 8	2644 1 1
Ditto	Forrabury, Harford, and Templeton.....	650 0 0	46 2 0	522 17 1
Ditto	Marland.....	750 0 0	228 10 5	299 6 8
Ditto	Winkleigh and Wells.....	1450 0 0	176 12 6	1064 5 8
Ditto	Bridgenorth.....	530 0 0	7 11 0	455 9 4
Ditto	Roland.....	1900 0 0	278 11 6	1401 13 6
Ditto	Kentisbury.....	1875 10 0	637 2 11	1761 13 10
Ditto	Midhurst and Ashgrove.....	1177 0 0	69 7 4	1013 3 4
Ditto	Barrington.....	1309 0 0	3 17 7	1031 19 1
Ditto	Abbotsham and Bradworthy.....	1825 0 0	58 18 4	889 3 9
Ditto	North Motton.....	1550 0 0	18 8 1	960 0 1
Westmorland	Vicinity of Chudleigh (Mole Creek and Wesleydale).....	2600 0 0	6 5 0	2023 12 2
Ditto	Quamby's Bluff, near Deloraine.....	1850 0 0	2 10 0	1643 9 1
Ditto	Dalebrook.....	800 0 0	—	709 5 6
Ditto	Vicinity of Brumby's Creek.....	600 0 0	13 15 2	45 2 3
Ditto	Archer.....	1000 0 0	17 11 1	18 3 1
Wellington	Flowerdale, vicinity of Table Cape.....	1200 0 0	5 6 8	1021 6 10
Ditto	Cam and Seabrook.....	1860 0 0	186 3 5	1332 5 3
Ditto	Vicinity of Montagu River, Circular Head...	450 0 0	1 4 0	445 0 2
Dorset	Upper Piper.....	3530 0 0	621 17 11	3062 14 3
Ditto	Vicinity of Lower Piper River.....	950 0 0	47 5 3	634 8 3
Ditto	Springfield and Scottsdale.....	3250 0 0	360 5 2	2949 14 3
Ditto	Kay (Ringarooma District).....	3850 0 0	202 2 4	3344 0 7
Ditto	Vicinity of George's Bay and Gould's Country	2200 0 0	505 10 10	1584 12 4
Ditto	Vicinity of Moorina.....	1700 0 0	182 11 6	678 19 10
Ditto	Vicinity of Hall's Track.....	1200 0 0	184 13 8	1255 15 6
Cornwall	Vicinity of Egremont.....	699 0 0	86 16 4	718 6 11
Ditto	Kendall and Gray (vicinity of St. Mary's)...	700 0 0	20 13 4	692 7 1
Ditto	Brentwood and Blessington.....	600 0 0	—	1 13 6
Monmouth	Whitefoord.....	4522 0 0	482 4 9	3679 15 5
Ditto	Jervis.....	500 0 0	—	8 19 0
Ditto	Wallace.....	300 0 0	6 16 0	226 2 2
Ditto	Pelham (Hollow Tree Bottom).....	500 0 0	—	187 16 11
Ditto	Melville.....	290 0 0	10 6 4	188 2 3
Ditto	Ormaig (White Kangaroo Rivulet).....	325 0 0	—	301 19 1
Ditto	Hartington.....	400 0 0	61 5 0	263 2 0
Ditto	Apsley and Beaufort.....	600 0 0	14 12 0	15 4 0
Buckingham	Monto's Marsh.....	950 0 0	—	729 9 1
Ditto	Uxbridge.....	1820 0 0	2 17 3	1783 5 3
Ditto	Upper Sorell River, Camden, and Wellington...	1300 0 0	101 15 0	1133 5 5
Ditto	Glenorchy.....	1414 2 6	—	1139 19 11
Ditto	Sandfly Basin, Huon.....	1051 0 0	70 2 0	1076 19 2
Ditto	Port Cygnet.....	750 0 0	0 14 0	672 17 1
Ditto	Nicholl's Rivulet.....	440 0 0	—	398 0 9
Ditto	Gardner's Bay.....	460 0 0	—	447 15 6
Ditto	Mountain River, Huon.....	400 0 0	—	397 7 5
Ditto	Hull (Ranelagh), Upper Huon.....	730 0 0	78 14 6	712 1 2
Ditto	Oyster Cove, Three Hut Point.....	1100 0 0	147 19 5	825 11 5
Ditto	Deep Bay, Huon.....	250 0 0	—	238 1 4
Ditto	New Norfolk and Molesworth.....	600 0 0	305 18 8	321 17 2
Kent	Leithbridge.....	1295 0 0	—	960 8 6
Ditto	Honeywood.....	2280 0 0	166 13 5	1834 11 11
Ditto	Garrett.....	250 0 0	—	160 18 6
Ditto	Price, vicinity of Surges Bay.....	250 0 0	—	157 12 1
Pembroke	Bream Creek.....	700 0 0	30 0 0	548 0 9
Ditto	Vicinity Tasman's Peninsula.....	500 0 0	247 3 8	250 0 4
Ditto	Canning.....	410 0 0	133 17 9	395 6 3
Lincoln	Horncastle.....	1000 0 0	—	16 2 8
		£81,701 16 3	£6155 8 2	£63,537 1 11

PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1877.

ROAD, ELIZABETH TOWN TO LATROBE.

VOTE—£11,750.

Works to the extent of £170 have been carried out by day labour since last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	11,539	3	0
Since expended	171	12	6
	<u>£11,710</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6</u>

ROAD, LEVEN TO CASTRA.

VOTE—£2000.

The contract of Messrs. Andrews and Diprose, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £73, and the amount paid in February last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1941	6	10
Since expended	75	0	0
	<u>£2016</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>

WEST CASTRA ROAD.

VOTE—£1000.

An expenditure of £20 15s. has been incurred for works, carried out by R. M'Culloch, on North Motton Road; also £12 5s. for work performed in completion of W. J. Elliott's unfinished contract, referred to in last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	895	16	6
Since expended	44	0	3
	<u>£939</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>9</u>

ROAD, SORELL TO EAGLE HAWK NECK.

VOTE—£2500.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 28th March, 1881—£200.

An amount of £53 15s. has been paid as compensation for land taken for road.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2594	1	6
Since expended	64	3	8
	<u>£2658</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>

TELEGRAPH LINE, GEORGE'S BAY TO MOORINA.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders were received in November last for erecting telegraph line from Gould's Country to Moorina, and the following accepted:—

- Section 1. Moorina to Weldborough.—Rattray and Whitmore, at £20 per mile.
- Section 2. From Weldborough, 6½ miles.—A. H. Woods and Co., at £16 10s. per mile.
- Section 3. From end of Section 2 to Lower Junction.—A. H. Woods and Co., at £16 10s. per mile.

Fixing wire from Lower Junction to Gould's Country.—Ditto, at £5 10s. per mile.

This work is now in progress. No payments have yet been made on account of Sections 1 and 2. £25 17s. has been paid for fixing wire, Lower Junction to Gould's Country, Section 3.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	361	12	2
Since expended	34	9	8
	<u>£406</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>

No further works have been carried out since last return in connection with the other Votes under "The Public Works Construction Act," 41 Vict., Nos. 10 and 11.

MAIN ROADS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1880.

ROAD FROM ELIZABETH TOWN TO CREEK CROSSING GILBERT-STREET, LATROBE. VOTE—£1800.

Since last return payment of about £160 has been made in connection with works on this road, including balance of £15 12s. to Messrs. P. Meagher and Bros., day labour, and expenses in connection with crusher, quarrying and carting stone, &c. Vote is now expended.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1635	12	5
Since expended	164	7	5
	<u>£1799</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>10</u>

ROAD FROM RIVER FORTH TO ULVERSTONE (RIVER LEVEN), AT SLABBED ROAD. VOTE—£2000.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 9th October, 1882—£320.

Payment of balance on J. York's contract, referred to in last return, was made in November last, the total amount paid being £1724 7s. 1d. The contract of Mr. J. Ryan has also been completed, at a cost of £341 5s. 2d., including £21 4s. 10d. for extra works. Additional provision for this road was authorised to be made by Supplementary Estimate in October last, as stated above.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1653	18	9
Since expended	582	0	9
	<u>£2235</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>6</u>

ROAD FROM RIVER LEVEN TO BURNIE, EMU BAY, AT TRAMWAY CROSSING. VOTE—£3000.

Sections 9 and 10, referred to in last return, have been completed, at a cost of £417. Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 have also been completed, and the balances paid, including charges for extra works. Part cost of these sections, amounting to £138, has been charged to vote for road from Leven to Blythe (*q.v.*) under "Main Roads Construction Act, 1881," as referred to in last return. These works have caused a small excess on vote.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2777	12	0
Since expended	254	19	11
	<u>£3032</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>

ROAD FROM DEAN'S AT BOAT HARBOUR SETTLEMENT, NEAR TABLE CAPE, TO DETENTION RIVER. VOTE—£3500.

The contract of Mr. R. Dallas for Section 2, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £1866 10s., and the balance paid in November last. Tenders were also received in February last for works on Section 3, forming and metalling in places, and the tender of Mr. R. Dallas, at £475 10s., accepted. This work is now in progress, and the amount of £307 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2688	3	10
Since expended	555	2	6
	<u>£3243</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>

ROAD FROM DETENTION RIVER TO STANLEY, CIRCULAR HEAD.

VOTE—£1000.

The contract of Mr. R. Dallas, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £857 16s. 9d. No further works have been sanctioned, the vote being nearly expended.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	715	0	1
Since expended	233	4	0
	<u>£948</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>

ROAD FROM MOUNT DIRECTION, *via* NINE MILE SPRINGS, TO GEORGE TOWN.

VOTE—£3000.

The contract of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £2350 4s. 9d., credit being given by contractor for stone broken by Government crusher. No further works have been carried out, and the vote is almost expended.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2782	12	9
Since expended	200	9	9
	<u>£2983</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>

ROAD FROM LISLE ROAD, AT TUCKER'S CORNERS, TO SCOTTSDALE.

VOTE—£1500.

The contract of Messrs. Campbell and M'Dougall, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £1559 15s., of which amount £159 15s. has been charged against the vote for Road, Launceston to Scottsdale, under "Main Roads Construction Act, 1882."

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	789	14	9
Since expended	774	0	0
	<u>£1563</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>9</u>

ROAD FROM RICHMOND TO STOKELL'S HILL, *via* SEARLE'S BRIDGE.

VOTE—£500.

Expenditure of balance has not yet been arranged for. The greatest difficulty has been experienced in getting work done here by contract at any satisfactory price. The work will now be carried out in connection with a large amount of work being done by day labour under the Department.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	55	12	6
Since expended	0	8	0
	<u>£56</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6</u>

ROAD THROUGH FLATS AT RUNNYMEDE AND ON TO BUCKLAND.

VOTE—£700.

The contract of Messrs. Underwood Bros., referred to in last return, has been completed, but payment of balance has not yet been made. Amount paid on account, £400.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	394	4	6
Since expended	245	4	0
	<u>£639</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>

ROAD FROM BUCKLAND TO ORFORD.

VOTE—£800.

The contract of Mr. G. Chaffey, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £264 3s. 9d. No further works have been authorised.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	407	3	6
Since expended	116	6	9
	<u>£523</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>

ROAD FROM ORFORD TO SPRING BAY.

VOTE—£1200.

Tenders were received in August last for works on Sections 1 and 2 of this road, on the line known as "Cherry Tree Hill," with alternative tenders for line known as Alma deviation. Much delay took place before the route was finally adopted and tenders were decided on. Petitions favouring each route having been received, the decision of a majority of the Municipal Council of Spring Bay (also Main Road Board) was in favour of the Alma line, some of the members dissenting, and preferring that *via* Cherry Tree Hill, which route was also that recommended by a majority of the landowners at a public meeting held to decide the question of routes. The Cherry Tree Hill route, being also that recommended by me, was adopted in November last, and the following tenders for the same accepted:—

Section 1. Beginning at 38 chains from Bridge over Meredith River and extending for 123 chains, General Works, A. Morey, at £513 16s.

Section 2. From end of Section 1, about 100 chains, General Works, G. U. Chaffey, at £379 15s.

These contracts are in progress. £270 has been paid on account of Section 1, and £260 for Section 2.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	65	14	8
Since expended	573	3	0
	<u>£638</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>8</u>

ROAD, SPRING BAY TO LITTLE SWANPORT BRIDGE.

VOTE—£1300.

The contract of Messrs. W. and F. Rapp has been completed, at a cost of £759 18s., including extras, £61 18s. Particulars of other necessary works have been taken to the extent of balance of vote, and tenders are now invited for same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	789	5	1
Since expended	391	14	0
	<u>£1180</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>1</u>

ROAD, LITTLE SWANPORT BRIDGE TO SWANSEA.

VOTE—£1000.

The contract of Messrs. Rapp Bros., previously referred to, has been completed, at a cost of £844 5s. 9d., including £105 10s. 9d. for extra works, which, with other charges, have slightly exceeded the vote.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	689	8	4
Since expended	332	14	0
	<u>£1022</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>

ROAD, ST. MARY'S TO GEORGE'S BAY, THROUGH MR. STEELE'S PROPERTY TO SCAMANDER BRIDGE. VOTE—£500.

The contract of Mr. G. H. Briggs, previously referred to, has been completed, at a cost of £222 6s. No further works have been sanctioned.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	127	16	5
Since expended	127	6	0
	<u>£355</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>

ROAD OVER BALFE'S HILL, AND ON TO JETTY AT PORT CYGNET.

VOTE—£1000.

The contract of Messrs. Sexton and Charlton has been completed, at a cost of £862 4s. 6d., including £95 19s. 6d. for extra works. The contract of S. O. Rourke has also been completed, at a cost of £75. Vote expended.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	625	1	0
Since expended	354	12	7
	<u>£979</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>

ROAD, HAMILTON TO OUSE.

VOTE—£1000.

The contract of J. Bowerman, senr., for Section 2, has been completed, at a cost of £217 15s. Section 3 has been completed by the Department by day labour, as referred to in last return. Section 4 has also been completed, at a cost of £331 8s. The vote for this road has been exceeded by about £70.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	671	13	7
Since expended	402	4	11
	<u>£1073</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>6</u>

ROAD FROM END OF NEW DEVIATION AT THORNHILL TOWARDS CARLTON.

VOTE—£1000.

The contract of Messrs. Grubb Bros. for Section 1 has been completed, at a cost of £801, also contract of same parties for fencing, at £169 17s. 6d.

The compensation to trustees of Forcett estate, referred to in last return, has not yet been paid. This vote is slightly exceeded.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	723	7	11
Since expended	304	17	6
	<u>£1028</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

BRIDGES ON MAIN ROADS.

BRIDGE OVER CREEK IN GILBERT-STREET, LATROBE.

VOTE—£400.

The contract of Mr. R. Milburn has been completed, at a cost of £356 17s. 9d., and balance paid in July last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	240	17	0
Since expended	138	2	11
	<u>£378</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>11</u>

RIVER FORTH BRIDGE AND APPROACHES.

VOTE—£500.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 14th April, 1881—£70.

Final payment to Mr. C. B. M. Fenton, on account of contract referred to in last return, was made in March last; the total amount paid being £529 16s.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	541	17	6
Since expended	35	6	0
	<u>£577</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>

BRIDGE OVER RIVER EMU AND APPROACH ROADS.

VOTE—£1500.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 17th July, 1882—£200. Ditto, 14th August, 1882—£260. Total provision—£1960.

Final payment of £355 8s. 2d. to contractor, on account of works referred to in previous return, was made in July last, the total amount paid being £1755 8s. 2d. Provision to the extent of £460 was authorised to be made by Supplementary Estimate to meet the excess on vote for these works, and for supervision.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1531	12	10
Since expended	379	3	2
	<u>£1910</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>0</u>

BRIDGE OVER CAMP CREEK AT WYNYARD, AND CAUSEWAY.

VOTE—£800.

Tenders for this work on amended design were received in August last, but decision was for some time delayed, owing to the vote being insufficient. Ultimately, in November last the tender of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton, received in August, as referred to above, was accepted, at £1033, for bridge and approaches. This work is now in progress, and the amount of £574 has been paid on account of same. Further provision by Supplementary Estimate will be required.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	21	10	11
Since expended	635	7	7
	<u>£656</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>6</u>

BRIDGE OVER CREEK AT GEORGE TOWN, AND CAUSEWAY.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton, at £429 7s. 6d., referred to in last return, has been completed and the balance paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	396	7	1
Since expended	53	12	6
	<u>£449</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>7</u>

HOBBLER'S BRIDGE, OVER NORTH ESK RIVER, NEAR LAUNCESTON.

VOTE—£1200.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 25th November, 1881—£100.

The contract of Mr. John Bradley has been completed, at a cost of £837 16s., including £21 for extra excavation work, and £46 16s. for additional ironwork. An amount of £37 3s. 3d. has been paid for forming earthwork approaches, &c.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	737	4	3
Since expended	461	19	3
	<u>£1299</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>

BRIDGES OVER NELSON'S CREEK (TWO CROSSINGS).

VOTE—£300.

The contract of Messrs. T. Underwood Bros. for these bridges has been completed, at a cost of £255 0s. 3d., and the balance paid in September last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	232	15	7
Since expended	58	15	3
	<u>£291</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>

LISDILLON BRIDGE.

VOTE—£300.

Owing to failure in getting tenders for construction, tenders were invited in September last for supplying timber for the erection of this bridge, and that of Mr. J. E. Risby, at £56, accepted. This contract has been completed, and the amount paid. Arrangements were subsequently made for the erection of the bridge by day labour under an overseer of this Department, which has also been completed.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	3	0	0
Since expended	281	6	1
	<u>£284</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>

BRIDGE OVER NORTH-WEST BAY RIVER AT MARGATE.

VOTE—£600.

The contract of W. H. Cheverton, referred to in last return, is not yet completed, the progress made being very slow and unsatisfactory. The amount of £375 has been paid on account of this work.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	11	4	0
Since expended	410	15	0
	<u>£421</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>0</u>

BRIDGE AT JASON'S GATES, GEORGE'S BAY.

VOTE—£1500.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 25th November, 1881—£150. Ditto, 29th January, 1883—£375.

Total provision—£2025.

The contract of Mr. John Bradley has been completed, and balance was paid in November last. Extra works, consisting of additional foundations in abutments (which necessitated coffer dam and dredging), iron brackets, &c., were also carried out, to the amount of £322 11s. 5d., and additional provision was authorised to be made by Supplementary Estimate to meet the excess for extras and supervision on this vote.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1167	1	11
Since expended	857	2	11
	<u>£2024</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u>

JETTIES.

CIRCULAR HEAD AND EXTENSION.

VOTE—£600.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 22nd May, 1882—£100. Ditto, 5th February, 1883—£30.

The works referred to in last return have been completed, at a total cost of £730 8s.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	708	13	6
Since expended	27	14	6
	<u>£736</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>

TELEGRAPHS.

LAUNCESTON TO BEACONSFIELD.

VOTE—£700.

An amount of £194 17s. 9d. has been paid for insulators, wire, &c. for line erected under contract referred to in last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	374	18	0
Since expended	198	17	9
	<u>£573</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>9</u>

LATROBE TO SHEFFIELD.

VOTE—£250.

A similar expenditure of £84 18s. 2d. has been incurred on account of this work.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	163	7	10
Since expended	86	18	2
	<u>£250</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>

SORELL TO DUNALLY.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Messrs. Thompson Bros., referred to in previous return, has been completed, at a cost of £202 17s. 6d., final payment being made in August last. An amount of £118 4s. 1d. has also been paid for wire and insulators supplied to contractors.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	270	10	4
Since expended	150	11	7
	<u>£421</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>11</u>

PUBLIC BUILDINGS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1880.

ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS AT GAOL, CAMPBELL-STREET.

Operations not yet commenced, owing to want of possession of the City Police Court.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	272	7	0

ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS AT GENERAL HOSPITAL, HOBART.

VOTE—£8500.

The contract of Mr. P. Cronly, for erecting officers' quarters has been completed, under Mr. Hunter's supervision, and is now occupied, the total amount paid on account of contract and extra works being £2729 10s. 9d.

Iron railing around front of this building has also been authorised at a cost of £80, and is now being erected.

The contract of Mr. J. Gregory for erection of new wards is still progressing satisfactorily, under the supervision of Mr. H. Hunter and a clerk of works, the amount paid to contractor being £3100. Some delay in this work has been caused through the difficulty of obtaining copper piping provided by the Government, which had to be obtained from England, not being procurable in Melbourne.

The plumbers' work is now being carried out, and the hot and cold water services, baths, &c. fitted up. Centre portion is also completed, also wood and iron-work to verandahs.

The whole of the fittings, viz., baths, water-closets, ventilators, &c., imported from England, arrived in fair order, and are of first-class quality. This contract will be completed in about six months.

Part cost of the above-mentioned works is charged against the provision under 45 Vict. No. 28.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	4272	12	7
Since expended	5053	3	8
	<u>£9325</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>3</u>

ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS AT GENERAL HOSPITAL, LAUNCESTON.

VOTE—£9000.

New Wing, &c.—This portion of the contract, with the exception of a few details, is completed, and ready for occupation; the hydraulic lift is now being fixed, and the baths, lavatories, iron staircase, and stone steps are also being fixed to the old portion of Hospital, and the whole building will probably be finished during the next month.

Kitchen Building.—This portion has been completed, and occupied about four months.

Mortuary.—The Mortuary is now finished, and has been made use of.

The contractor (Mr. J. Hills) has carried the whole of the work out in a very creditable manner, under the supervision of the Clerk of Works, Mr. J. G. Shield. The amount of £8500 has been paid on account. See Addendum.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	4922	12	9
Since expended	3166	16	4
	<u>£8089</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>

ERECTION OF NEW WATCH-HOUSE, LATROBE.

VOTE—£500.

Payment of balance to contractors was made in July last, the total amount paid being £421 5s. 6d.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	436	13	4
Since expended	22	11	7
	<u>£459</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>11</u>

ERECTION OF COURT-HOUSE, SCOTTSDALE.

VOTE—£300.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 19th September, 1881—£100.

The work under the contract of Mr. R. Johnstone, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £148 13s. 8d., and the balance paid in September last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	306	19	7
Since expended	92	19	8
	<u>£399</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>3</u>

ERECTION OF COURT-HOUSE, FRANKLIN.

VOTE—£300.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 19th September, 1881—£25.

Payment of balance on this work was made to contractor in August last, the total paid being £312 11s.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	311	17	6
Since expended	28	13	7
	<u>£340</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>1</u>

ERECTION OF NEW LANDING WAITERS' OFFICE, LAUNCESTON.

VOTE—£700.

See vote for completion of this work under 45 Vict. No. 28, Public Buildings Erection Act, 1881.

There has not been any expenditure since last return other than that mentioned above, under the following Acts (except in a few cases of a very trifling character):—Main Roads Construction Act, 1880, 44 Vict. No. 31; Public Works Construction Act, 1880, 44 Vict. No. 32.

PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1881, 45 VICT. NO. 4.

TELEGRAPHS.

LAUNCESTON, *via* LEFROY, BACK CREEK, BRIDPORT, AND WATERHOUSE TO GLADSTONE AND MOORINA, WITH BRANCH FROM BRIDPORT TO SCOTTSDALE, BRANXHOLM, AND UPPER RINGAROOMA.

VOTE—£3000.

The contracts of Messrs. J. and T. Husband and H. and R. White, referred to in last return, have been completed, at a cost of £1213 2s. and £487 16s. respectively.

The amount of £214 10s. has been paid to Messrs. Anderson and Lahey for re-erecting line from Launceston to Lefroy, and the amount of £46 9s. to the same contractors for fixing second wire on the same line.

The amount of £216 2s. 6d. has also been paid for wire and insulators supplied by Government for the above-mentioned works.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1441	6	11
Since expended	2268	15	3
	<u>£3710</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

WARATAH TO CORINNA, HEEMSKIRK, AND MACQUARIE HARBOUR.

VOTE—£2000.

The contract of E. Taylor, referred to in last return, has only been completed in part, 201 poles being supplied at Macquarie Harbour, at a cost of £100 10s. Arrangements have been made for the supply of the remaining quantity by the officer in charge of the erection. This work has been carried out departmentally by day work under an overseer, at a cost to date, including supply of tools, stores, carriage, &c., of about £1000. The line is now completed as far as Corinna.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	119	12	10
Since expended	2062	3	10
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MISCELLANEOUS.

IMPROVEMENTS, EMBANKMENTS, AND DRAINS, LAUNCESTON SWAMP.

VOTE—£1500.

The expenditure of this vote, to the extent of £1000, will be arranged for by the Launceston Municipal Council, in accordance with estimate of proposed works previously submitted and approved.

Repairs to sluices and banks will be carried out by this Department, which will absorb the balance of vote, £500.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1	15	0

SURVEYS AND TRACKS.

IMPROVEMENT OF TRACK, WARATAH TO CORINNA.

VOTE—£1500.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£850.

The contract of Mr. H. T. Dowling, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £699 2s. 6d., and has exhausted the provision for this work.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1583	9	2
Since expended	769	18	5
	<hr/> £2353 7 7 <hr/>		

IMPROVEMENT OF TRACK, CORINNA, *viâ* HEEMSKIRK, TO MACQUARIE HARBOUR.

VOTE—£1000.

This vote has been entirely expended in continuing works by day labour, referred to in last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	604	0	11
Since expended	418	12	7
	<hr/> £1022 13 6 <hr/>		

CUTTING LEADING TRACKS AND FOR EMERGENT WORKS TO FACILITATE THE EXPLORATION FOR MINERALS.

VOTE—£3000.

Track, Mathinna to Upper Ringarooma.—This work, referred to in last return, has been completed by Mr. W. Lade, having been transferred to him by Mr. W. McGinnis. Total cost of work, £95.

Track from Penguin to locality of Laurel Mine.—The Government subsidy of £150, in aid of this work, referred to in last return, has been paid on certificate of the inspecting officer of this Department that work had been properly performed.

Track from Two-Mile Forest to Upper Savage River.—Total amount paid on account of this work, £80 6s. 3d., which has been completed by Mr. T. Strong.

Track from Russell's Falls River to open country near Lake Pedder.—Operations in this track, referred to in last return as delayed in consequence of the inclement weather, have subsequently been resumed and the work completed, at a cost of about £280, including supply of provisions, stores, &c.

The following additional works have also been carried out :—

Track, Lisle to Golconda Gold Field.—Carried out under contract of Mr. C. Bessell, at cost of £115.

Clearing Timber from Track in vicinity of Arthur River.—Work carried out by Mr. Max Grane, at cost of £17, for assistance of prospectors in locality of Arthur River. Other works on same track also carried out under contract of Mr. S. B. Emmett, at cost of £12.

Track, Heemskirk to North Heemskirk.—Amount of £100 13s. 3d. paid for day-work on this track, carried out by men under overseer Clay.

Track from Lake St. Clair to West Coast.—Track cut by party under Mr. T. B. Moore from open country north west of Lake St. Clair to a point on West Coast between Strahan and Heemskirk. Cost of work, including provisions and stores, about £270.

Erection of Bridge over Wyniford River.—Carried out at a cost of £50, the work being intended to facilitate communication in the vicinity.

Three-Notch Track to Wyniford River.—Forming, corduroying, and bridging, carried out on this track under contract with Mr. John Iles at £197 7s. 6d.

Road from Branzholm Lane to Mount Horror.—The sum of £120 has been paid to the Branzholm Gold Mining Company in aid of a dray track constructed by the company from Branzholm Lane to mineral selections at Mount Horror.

Road to Walter Scott Tin Mine.—A contribution of £100 was paid in May last towards the construction of track to mines, carried out by the company.

Track to Ben Lomond Mineral Country.—Carried out by the Tasmania Tin Mining Company, the track being from Avoca to company's mine at Ben Lomond. Contribution, in the proportion of 2 to 1, £198 9s. 1d., paid in March last.

Track from Long Bay to Gold Fields at King River.—This work has been authorised to the extent of £100 in April last, but no payment has yet been made.

Tracks in vicinity of King River Gold Fields.—An amount not exceeding £300 was authorised to be expended in January last in reply to deputation from King River Gold Mining Company, this amount being in proportion of 2 from the Government to 1 of amount to be raised by the company. The company have not yet agreed to find the proportion of cost required.

Road to Mount Victoria Gold Fields.—Expenditure on this track was authorised in March last in reply to deputation which waited upon the Government. Works are now being carried out by day labour under two overseers, the total amount already expended being about £1400.

In addition to the works enumerated above a considerable expenditure has been incurred in supervision, contingencies, and petty works.

Particulars of further works carried out are also given under same heading in "Public Works Construction Act, 1882," against which vote part cost of the above-mentioned works will be charged.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return 30th June, 1882	922	16	6
Since expended	2080	3	6
	£3003	0	0

SURVEYS AND TRACKS TO OPEN OUT CROWN LANDS FOR AGRICULTURAL SELECTIONS.

VOTE—£1000.

The contracts of Messrs. J. Oliver and J. W. Watson, referred to in last return, have been completed. No other works have been carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	375	12	0
Since expended	73	2	0
	£448	14	0

PUBLIC BUILDINGS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1881, 45 VICT. No. 28.

ADDITIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE AT HOBART.

VOTE—£1000.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 3rd April, 1883—£200.

The contract of Messrs. Seabrook and Reynolds for these buildings has been completed, at a cost of £1094 11s. 10d. The additional provision required for this work was authorised by the Governor in Council to be made by Supplementary Estimate in April last for extra foundation works.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	557	18	1
Since expended	572	13	4
	<u>£1130</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>5</u>

COMPLETION OF THE GENERAL HOSPITAL, HOBART, AND THE ERECTION OF NEW BUILDINGS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

For particulars of works see vote for this service under "Public Works Construction Act, 1880."

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	6	0	0
Since expended	388	10	9
	<u>£394</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>

COMPLETION OF THE GENERAL HOSPITAL AT LAUNCESTON.

VOTE—£1500.

For particulars of works see vote under "Public Works Construction Act, 1880."

Expended	<i>Nil.</i>
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ERECTION OF POLICE BUILDINGS AT BEACONSFIELD, WARATAH, PORTLAND, RINGAROOMA, GEORGE TOWN, AND NORTH-WEST BAY.

Beaconsfield.—Tenders will shortly be invited for this work.*Waratah.*—The contract of Mr. J. C. King has been completed, and the balance paid.*Portland.*—Nothing done, pending decision on site, which has not yet been settled.

Ringarooma.—Tenders for this building were received in July last, but none accepted, and the work was again advertised in the ensuing August, when the tender of Mr. W. McGinnes, at £373, was accepted for erecting building, and at schedule prices for the necessary fencing. Progress of this contract has been very slow and unsatisfactory, and it has recently been transferred to Mr. Eli Eginton. Amount paid contractor, £289. An amount of £40 has also been paid for land required for site.

George Town.—Tenders were received in July last for the erection of constables' quarters, and that of Messrs. Thompson and Bushby, at £365, accepted. Work completed, at a cost of £376 17s., including £11 17s. for extra fencing.

Tenders for repairs and alterations to Police Buildings were also received in August last, and the tender of Mr. H. E. Jackson, at £286, accepted. This work has also been completed, and the amount paid. Only £110 3s. 9d. of this amount is chargeable against this vote, and the balance against the annual provision for repairs to Police Buildings generally.

North-West Bay.—No expenditure other than amount paid as purchase money, as per last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	132	7	2
Since expended	1181	10	4
	<u>£1313</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>6</u>

ERECTION OF A POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICE AT DELORAINE.

Vote—£800.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 28th May, 1883—£100.

The contract of Mr. Jas. Hills, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £825, including extras, and the balance paid.

Further provision was made by Supplementary Estimate in May last to meet cost of erecting fencing, out-buildings, and other additional works.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	116	16	6
Since expended	621	8	11
	<u>£738</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

ERECTION OF A POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICE AT LATROBE.

Vote—£600.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 6th June, 1882—£70.

Ditto, 13th June, 1883—£100.

The contract of Mr. J. H. Bellion has been completed, at a total cost of £728 5s. 9d., and the balance paid. Extra works were ordered in foundations, out-buildings, &c., and additional provision to the extent of about £100 was made to meet cost of same and supervision. Amount paid contractor, £613 2s.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	13	12	0
Since expended	753	8	8
	<u>£767</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8</u>

ERECTION OF POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICE AT WARATAH.

Vote—£400.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 17th April, 1882—£150.

The contract of Mr. R. J. Leamon, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £522 16s., including extra excavation works for enlargement of site to the extent of £50, and the balance was paid contractor in January last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	6	15	0
Since expended	564	7	1
	<u>£571</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>

COMPLETION OF A LANDING WAITER'S OFFICE AT LAUNCESTON.

Vote—£500.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 23rd October, 1882—£120.

For particulars of works see under "Public Works Construction Act, 1880."

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	479	2	11
Since expended	96	5	0
	<u>£575</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>11</u>

ERECTION OF A COURT-HOUSE, BEACONSFIELD.

Vote—£400.

The contract of Mr. G. Walker, referred to in last return, has been completed, and the balance paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	110	11	11
Since expended	307	17	7
	<u>£418</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>

ERECTING ADDITIONAL BUILDINGS TO COURT-HOUSE AT ULVERSTONE, RIVER LEVEN.

VOTE—£200.

The contract of Mr. G. Bonner has been completed, and balance paid in September last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	74	11	6
Since expended	111	10	0
	<u>£186</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>

MAIN ROADS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1881, 45 VICT. No. 30.

LATROBE CREEK TO RIVER DON.

VOTE—£800.

Expenditure to the extent of £130 has been incurred since last return in connection with day labour previously referred to, supplying material, &c.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	635	15	3
Since expended	143	7	9
	<u>£779</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>

RIVER DON TO RIVER FORTH.

VOTE—£400.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 30th October, 1882—£50.

The contract of Mr. H. Thomas has been completed, at a cost of £454 6s. 11d., £354 6s. 11d. being charged against this vote and the balance against vote for road, Latrobe to Leven, under "Public Works Construction Act, 1877." Works in connection with this contract have caused a small excess on vote, for which provision was made by Supplementary Estimate in October last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	334	6	6
Since expended	92	8	1
	<u>£426</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>7</u>

THROUGH TOWN OF ULVERSTONE.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Mr. W. H. Cann has been completed, at a total cost of £488 12s., and has caused an excess on vote.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	379	19	1
Since expended	157	17	6
	<u>£537</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>7</u>

ROAD, LEVEN TO BLYTHE.

VOTE—£900.

Sections 1 and 2, referred to in last return, have been completed, and the balances paid. Part cost of works, under W. H. Cann's contract, road, Leven to Burnie, "Main Roads Construction Act, 1880," has also been charged against this vote.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	447	18	11
Since expended	79	18	4
	<u>£527</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>

BLYTHE TO EMU.

VOTE—£700.

The contract of Mr. S. Turner has been completed, at a cost of £464 12s. 6d., and the balance paid in November last. Amount of £45 has also been paid for new flooring to Blythe Bridge.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	449	16	6
Since expended	131	3	0
	<u>£580</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>6</u>

ROAD, EMU BAY TO TABLE CAPE.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of W. Garner, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £342 18s. 9d. Amount of £27 7s. 6d. has also been paid for metalling approaches to Emu Bridge.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	336	1	7
Since expended	118	5	2
	<u>£454</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>

LAUNCESTON TO SCOTTSDALE.

VOTE—£6000.

The balance due on account Pearson's contract, Road North Esk to Lisle, £107 1s., was paid in October last. The balance of £157 15s. on contract of Messrs. Campbell and McDougall, Road Lisle Road to Tucker's Corners, "Main Roads Construction Act, 1880," has been charged to vote for Road Launceston to Scottsdale, under the "Main Roads Construction Act, 1882." The contract of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton is still in progress, and the amount of £1600 has been paid on account of same. Day labour has also been continued on this road to the extent of about £1400, including expenditure in connection with the use of stone-crusher, supplying materials, stores, and miscellaneous charges. Part of this expenditure will be charged to the vote under 46 Vict. No. 23 referred to above, as also the balance on Mr. Fenton's contract.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	3253	5	10
Since expended	2746	14	2
	<u>£6000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

SCOTTSDALE TO BRIDPORT.

VOTE—£1000.

The contract of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton has been completed, but the balance has not yet been paid. Amount paid on account, £850.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return 30th June, 1882	224	16	9
Since expended	694	1	4
	<u>£918</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>1</u>

BRIDGE AT ST. MARY'S.

VOTE—£300.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 11th September, 1882—£30.

The contract of Mr. M. Lattin, referred to in last return, has been completed, and the balance paid in August last. A small excess was caused on the vote, for which provision was made by Supplementary Estimate in September last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	180	1	6
Since expended	154	15	0
	<u>£334</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>6</u>

ROAD, SCAMANDER RIVER TO BOGGY CREEK, NEAR GEORGE'S BAY.

VOTE—£1000.

The contract of Mr. G. H. Briggs has been completed, at a cost of £865 17s. including £38 for extra culverts, and the balance paid in January last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	850	17	1
Since expended	109	3	0
	<u>£960</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>

ROAD, SEARLE'S BRIDGE TO JUNCTION WITH OLD RICHMOND AND BUCKLAND ROAD.

VOTE—£2000.

The contract of Mr. M. Fitzpatrick, referred to in last return, has been carried on in a very slow and unsatisfactory manner, in consequence of which I was compelled to recommend the termination of his contract. I have, however, provisionally withdrawn this recommendation, and he has been allowed to proceed again with the works upon undertaking to complete same with vigor and despatch. The amount already paid on account is £750.

Tenders were received in August last for erecting about 5 miles of post-and-rail and deadwood fencing through Mr. Hughes' property, but no satisfactory offer being received, tenders were invited in September following for supplying the necessary fencing materials, with a view to its erection by day labour. The accepted tenderer failing, however, to proceed with the works, tenders were again invited in March last, and that of Mr. W. Oates, at 33s. per hundred, accepted for supplying the posts and rails required at Campania Railway Station. The material under this contract is now being delivered, and the erection of the fencing is being carried out by day labour and piece-work.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	11	1	7
Since expended	894	6	8
	<u>£905</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>

CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE, WITH IMPROVED APPROACHES, OVER BROWN'S RIVER AT KINGSTON.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders for the erection of this bridge, as described in last return, were received in July last, and that of Messrs. Underwood Bros. accepted, at £755 5s. for erecting bridge, and £198 5s. for constructing approaches. This contract is still in progress, but at a very slow rate, and the amount of £648 has been paid on account of same. An amount of £24 9s. has been paid as compensation for land taken for bridge approach, and £13 13s. for necessary surveys.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	3	3	0
Since expended	424	7	8
	<u>£427</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>

BRANCH ROADS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1881, 45 VICT. No. 31.

COUNTY OF WESTMORLAND.

From proposed Bridge over Meander River, near Cheshunt, through Settlement to Crown Lands.

Tenders for the clearing only on this road were received in May last, and that of Messrs. Maher Bros., for grubbing and clearing a distance of 330 chains, was accepted. This contract is in progress, but no payments on account of same have yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	24	7	0
Since expended	12	0	4
	<u>£36</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>

Road from Mole Creek, near Chudleigh, westward through Crown Lands to River Mersey.

VOTE—£2000.

The contract of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton, referred to in last return, has been completed, and the balance paid. Tenders were also received in December for works on Section 2, general road works, in places extending over a distance of about 6 miles, and the tender of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton, at £423, accepted. The works on this section have been completed, at a cost of £472, including 12 extra culverts, and the amount of £448 8s. has been paid on account.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	38	12	0
Since expended	1396	18	8
	<u>£1435</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>

COUNTY OF CORNWALL.

Road from High-street, Launceston, to Main Road from Hobart to Launceston, at the Sandhill.

VOTE—£800.

The expenditure of this vote was undertaken by the Launceston Municipal Council, under arrangements made by this Department. The works have been left in a half-finished state, and the claim rendered by the Council is now under consideration.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	6	6	0

Road from Evandale to Settlements at Blessington, English and Irish Towns.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for works on four sections of this road were again invited in January last, but none being received the works were re-advertised in March, and after considerable delay the tender of Mr. J. C. O'Brien, at £166, was accepted for Section 1. Works on the other sections have been deferred in consequence of a petition received from the residents at English Town against the works as laid out, and the matter is now being investigated with a view to a satisfactory settlement.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1	15	0
Since expended	13	9	8
	<u>£15</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>8</u>

COUNTY OF DEVON.

From Deloraine to Parkham Crown Lands.

VOTE—£500.

Expenditure of this vote will shortly be arranged for.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	24	5	0
Since expended	20	6	2
	<u>£44</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>2</u>

Parkham Road, from Main Road at Rubicon River, Elizabeth Town, through Settlement.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Mr. W. Walker, referred to in last return, is still in progress, the amount of £217 19s. having been paid on account of same. Tenders for works on sections 1 and 2 were re-invited in March last, and that of Mr. W. Milne, at £55 and £175, accepted for works as follows:—

- Section 1. About 8 chains forming and metalling, culverts, ditches, &c.
 Section 2. 21 chains ditto.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	15	9	6
Since expended	247	14	2
	<u>£263</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>8</u>

Dunorlan Road, from Main Road near Elizabeth Town to Dynan's Ford.

VOTE—£800.

The contract of Mr. T. Keating has been completed, at a cost of £173 16s. (including £47 6s. for extra works), and the balance paid in April last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	65	7	2
Since expended	204	1	4
	<u>£269</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>

Road from Sheffield northwards along Barrington Road to junction with Nook Road.

VOTE—£3000.

The contract of Messrs. C. and J. Coleman has been in great part completed, the amount paid on account being £2605. The works have, by arrangement, been recently transferred to Mr. G. Atkinson, by whom they will be finished. The stone-crusher has been used to break metal on this road, for which credit will be given by contractors.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	8	4	6
Since expended	2771	8	3
	<u>£2779</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>

Road from junction of Barrington and Nook Roads to Tarleton.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders for works on this road were again invited in December last, but none being received, the works have been deferred until after the winter season, when tenders will be re-invited.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	16	10	0
Since expended	18	11	11
	<u>£35</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>11</u>

Road from junction of Barrington and Nook Road southwards to Nook Settlements.

VOTE—£1500.

The contracts of Messrs. H. Bott, and Cooper and Howard, for Sections 2 and 3, have been completed, at cost of £495 10s. and £235 15s., and the balances paid. Section 1 is still in progress, and the amount of £288 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	119	1	0
Since expended	83	17	10
	<u>£1102</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>10</u>

Latrobe and Green's Creek (direct Road).

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for works on three sections of this road were received in February last, but decision was deferred pending the receipt of petition from inhabitants. Expenditure of the vote will be arranged for as soon as possible after winter season is over.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	6	8	0
Since expended	22	19	8
	<u>£29</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>

Shelbrook Road, at Sassafra.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for works on 3 sections of this road were again invited in November last. No tenders were received for Sections 1 and 2. For Section 3 the tender of Mr. P. Perry, at £105 2s., was accepted for grubbing and clearing, forming, and metalling a distance of about 13 chains. Tenders for Sections 1 and 2 were subsequently received through Mr. J. Graham, Chairman of the East Mersey Road Trust, and the following accepted :—

Section 1. Forming and metalling about 28 chains—James McHugh, at £8 5s. per chain.

Section 2. Ditto, about 23 chains—J. Steers, at £8 3s. per chain.

These works are in progress, £99 17s. has been paid on account of Section 3, and £100 and £45 respectively on account of Sections 1 and 2.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882.....	9	13	0
Since expended	270	0	1
	<u>£279</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>1</u>

Road from Railton Station to Sheffield.

VOTE—£1500.

The works under contract of Messrs. Jubb and Day, referred to in last return, have been completed, the amount paid contractor, after taking credit for metal broken by Government crusher, being £1127 16s. 6d. No further contracts have been entered into, the vote being nearly expended.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	15	19	6
Since expended	1364	5	11
	<u>£1380</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

Road from Sheffield to Back Settlements (Promised Land).

VOTE—£1500.

The contract of Messrs. J. and C. Coleman, referred to in last return, has been transferred to Mr. G. Atkinson, by whom it will be completed, the greater part of the works having been previously carried out by Messrs. Coleman. The amount already paid on account of this contract is £1279 4s. 4d. Extra works have been authorised to the amount of £94 9s. 6d.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	430	7	3
Since expended	860	1	0
	<u>£1290</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>

Road from Hamilton-on-Forth to proposed Bridge over River Wilmot at Alma.

VOTE—£300.

The contract of Mr. J. Ryan has not yet been completed, the progress made being very slow and unsatisfactory; amount paid on account being £120.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	9	8	6
Since expended	129	14	7
	<u>£139</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>

Road from River Wilmot at Alma southwards to Crown Lands.

VOTE—£700.

Tenders were received in November last for grubbing and clearing on Sections 1 and 2 of this road, and in February last for similar work on Section 3, and the following were accepted :—

Section 1. H. Reid, £72.

Section 2. J. Smith and Sons, £140.

Section 3. Ditto, at £1 per chain.

Sections 1 and 2 have been completed and paid for, and £160 paid on account of Section 3.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	327	12	3

Road, Hamilton-on-Forth to Kindred Plains.

VOTE—£1500.

Tenders for works on this road, Sections 1 to 7, were invited in August last, but none were accepted, pending the settlement of the question of deviation on Section 1 (hill at Hamilton-on-Forth). Tenders for this deviation were received in the September following, but decision was for a long time delayed, petitions for and against the deviation being received. Finally, the Road Trust having recommended that the deviation be carried out, the tender of Mr. S. Turner, at £1261, was accepted for the work in March last, and this contract is now in progress, the amount of £512 having been paid on account of same. Expenditure of balance of vote will be arranged for after completion of this contract.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	15	15	4
Since expended	641	18	7
	<u>£657</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>11</u>

Ulverstone (River Leven) to East Castra.

Metalling Slabbed Portion.

The contract of Mr. Fenton, referred to in last return, is still in progress, and £1882 0s. 10d. has been paid on account of same, but the works have not proceeded as satisfactorily as I could wish, and the progress made has been very slow. The stone-crusher has been employed to break metal for this contract.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	474	8	0
Since expended	1851	2	10
	<u>£2325</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>

Extension to G. A. Fulton's Lot.

VOTE—£1100.

The contract of Messrs. Andrews and Diprose has been completed, but payment of balance has not yet been made, the amount paid on account of the works being £944 8s. These works have absorbed the entire provision of vote.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	16	12	3
Since expended	1062	19	8
	<u>£1079</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>

Branch from T. M'Donald's Lot through Dooley's Plains to Gunn's Plains.

VOTE—£1000.

The contract of Mr. G. Crawford has been completed, at a cost of £488 14s., and the balance paid in May last. There is still a considerable balance of this vote available for expenditure as soon as winter is over.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	15	14	0
Since expended	528	17	6
	<u>£544</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>6</u>

Ulverstone to West Castra.

VOTE—£1100.

The contracts of Messrs. M'Donald and Pritchard, referred to in last return, for Sections 6 and 7, have been completed, at a cost of £341 19s., and the balance paid. Tenders for Sections 1 to 5 were again invited in December last, and resulted in the following being accepted:—

- Section 1. J. A. Fogg—Forming and gravelling, estimated at about £120.
- Section 2. Ditto, ditto, at £149.
- Section 4. M'Donald and Pritchard, at £112 0s. 9d.
- Section 5. Ditto, £143.

Sections 4 and 5 have been completed, at a cost of £255 0s. 9d., and Sections 1 and 2, at a cost of £233 18s. 0d. Section 3 was deferred, owing to the balance of vote being insufficient for the whole of the works, but offers for gravelling, &c., at Langham's Hill were subsequently invited from the tenderers for

this Section, and that of Mr. J. Pritchard, at schedule prices, accepted, and the amount of £100 has been paid on account of same. These works, with those referred to above, will absorb the entire amount of vote.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	27	0	0
Since expended	971	15	5
	<u>£998</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>5</u>

Road from Penguin Creek, southwards, along Pine Road (Hall's Survey).

VOTE—£1500.

The contract of Mr. S. Turner, referred to in last return, is not yet completed, the amount of £1027 having been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	14	15	6
Since expended	1060	13	5
	<u>£1075</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>

From Heybridge, southwards, along Blythe Road.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for works on this road were received in December last, clearing, forming, excavating, gravelling, culverts, &c., a distance of about 45 chains, and that of Mr. W. H. Cann, at £459 9s. 6d., accepted. This contract has been completed, but payment of balance has not yet been made. Amount paid contractor, £430.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	6	11	6
Since expended	443	15	0
	<u>£450</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

Road from Wyvenhoe, southwards, on Stowport Road.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders for works on 4 sections of this road were received in September last, viz.—

- Section 1. Forming, gravelling, &c., 22 chains.
- Section 2. Ditto, earthwork, filling, &c., 10½ chains.
- Section 3. Grubbing and clearing, 19 chains.
- Section 4. General Works, 80 chains—

for which the tender of Mr. T. Atkinson, at £20, was accepted for Section 3, and that of Messrs. Rutherford, at £606 16s., for Section 4. No tenders were accepted for Sections 1 and 2, which were re-advertised in November, with the following result:—

- Section 1. E. O'Reilly, at £159 16s.
- Section 2. Ditto, £88 5s.

Of these works Section 3 has been completed, the amounts paid on account of the other sections being—For Section 1 and 2, £167; for Section 4, £320.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	447	7	9

COUNTIES OF WELLINGTON AND RUSSELL.

From Burnie (Emu Bay) to Rouse's Camp, near Waratah (Mount Bischoff).

VOTE—£2000.

The works, referred to in last return, on the Emu Bay Section of this road have been completed, and arrangements for the expenditure of the other half of the vote in a similar manner have been made, the works being carried out by day labour under an overseer, with the co-operation and supervision of the Road Trust.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	623	0	9
Since expended	1322	4	5
	<u>£1945</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>

From Main Road, near Table Cape, to Mount Hicks.

VOTE—£1500.

The contract of Mr. W. Garner, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £1374, and the amount paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	5	3	0
Since expended	1357	1	6
	<u>£1362</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>

From end of metalling on Flowerdale Road, extending through Settlement.

VOTE—£1800.

Tenders for works on this road were received in August, and that of P. Bowick, at £1726, accepted. This contract is in progress, and the amount of £966 has been paid on account, but the works have been seriously retarded by unfavourable weather.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	4	2	6
Since expended	957	0	8
	<u>£961</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>

From Wynyard (Table Cape) to Hellyer River, including Bridge over Hellyer River.

VOTE—£2000.

Arrangements for necessary surveys, &c. have only recently been made, professional assistance not having been previously available, as I deemed it advisable that the work should be done by an engineer.

Expended Nil.

Calder Road, Table Cape.

The contract of Mr. W. Garner, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £449 8s., and the amount paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2	6	7
Since expended	449	7	10
	<u>£451</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>5</u>

South (Forest) Road, Circular Head.

VOTE—£1500.

Tenders for works on this road were again received in September, viz., grubbing and clearing, forming, metalling, culverts, &c. for a distance of about 134 chains, that of Messrs. Kay and Gardner, at £1647 3s. 3d., being accepted. This contract has been completed, but balance has not yet been paid. Amount paid on account, £1321 13s.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	19	17	8
Since expended	1352	11	5
	<u>£1372</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>

From South Road, Circular Head, eastward into Crown Lands.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for the works on this road, referred to in previous return, were again invited in September last, and that of Messrs. Gardner and Kay accepted at £344 14s. 6d. This contract is in great measure completed, the amount of £321 14s. 6d. having been paid on account.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	12	17	7
Since expended	276	12	1
	<u>£289</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>

From Smithton, Duck River, to Irish Town.

VOTE—£1200.

The contract of Messrs. Kay and Gardner has been completed, at a cost of £1073 9s.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	520	5	4
Since expended	570	15	0
	£1091	0	4

From Smithton (Duck River) to Montagu, including Bridge over Duck River.

VOTE—£1000.

Both the contracts referred to in last return have been completed, and the amounts paid, less maintenance, the net amounts paid being—

	£	s.	d.
Section 1.....	120	14	0
Section 2.....	516	0	0

Deductions to the amount of £309 5s. 6d. were necessary on this latter section, the whole of the work through the Montagu Swamp being omitted, as funds would not allow of its being carried out in its entirety. The approach to Montagu having been altered, it is contemplated to provide for all the necessary remaining work under a new contract, so far as funds will allow after completion of those above referred to.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	62	2	7
Since expended	626	1	5
	£688	4	0

From Montagu Jetty to Settlement.

VOTE—£600.

The contracts referred to in last return have been completed, at a cost of £543 12s., and the balance paid in April last. Vote now expended.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	327	3	2
Since expended	267	5	8
	£594	8	10

COUNTY OF DORSET.

From Main Road at Rocher's Lane on Piper's River Road, to Bridge over Piper's River (Hall's Track).

VOTE—£1000.

The works on Sections 1 and 2, referred to in last return, have been completed, at a total cost of £424 4s. 5d., and the balance paid in April last. Section 4 is also nearly completed, £500 having been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	183	16	0
Since expended	817	0	5
	£1000	16	5

Road from Bridge over Piper's River, northwards through Settlement (Hall's Track).

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders for work on Sections 1 and 2 of this road were invited in January last, but none being received the work was again advertised in April, and the tender of Messrs. Bardenhagen and Somerville, at £981, was, after unavoidable delay, accepted in June for general works on Section 1, subject to reductions to keep within limits of vote. No tender was accepted for Section 2, the funds being insufficient to allow of same. No payments on account of this contract have been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	11	2	5

From Finger Post on Piper's River Road to Turner's Marsh Settlement.

The consent of the Road Trustees *re* maintenance having only just been received, arrangements for the expenditure of this vote will accordingly be made as soon as possible.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	11	8	0
Since expended	4	10	6
	<u>£15 18 6</u>		

From Turner's Marsh to Alford, Lower Piper Settlement (Rowley's Hill).

VOTE—£500.

See remarks under previous heading.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	2	8	0

From Alford, Lower Piper Settlement, to George Town Road.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for works on this road were received in November, and that of Mr. J. Bennie accepted, at £510, subject to necessary deductions. £250 has been paid on account of this contract, which is still in progress.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	9	10	3
Since expended	263	14	3
	<u>£273 4 6</u>		

Road from Back Creek to Lefroy.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received in August last for works on this road, viz., grubbing and clearing, forming, gravelling, bridges, &c., commencing at Lefroy and extending towards Back Creek in places. For these works the tender of Mr. J. Bennie, jun., at £465, has been accepted, but operations were for a considerable time delayed, owing to the Road Trust not having consented to maintenance as required by Act. Amount paid on account, £59.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	8	11	3
Since expended	5	6	0
	<u>£13 17 3</u>		

Road from Scottsdale to Upper Ringarooma.

VOTE—£3000.

The contract of Mr. W. McLennan, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £1616 2s. 4d.

Tenders were re-invited in November last for Section 1, referred to in last return, but no satisfactory offer being received, the works were re-advertised in December and the tender of Messrs. Williams and Rainbow accepted, at £1355 16s., subject to reductions to the extent of about £150. This contract is in progress, and the amount of £848 has been paid on account.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	19	9	0
Since expended	2457	10	6
	<u>£2476 19 6</u>		

Road from Scottsdale to Gladstone.

VOTE—£500.

It has been thought advisable to expend this vote by day labour directly through the Department. An expenditure of about £270 has already been incurred on account of these works, which are still in progress.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	295	16	1

Road from Main Road at Springfield, through Settlement of Springfield, to junction with Main Road from Scottsdale to Bridport.

VOTE—£1000.

The contract of Messrs. Bartley, Williams, and Rainbow, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £949 17s., and has absorbed the amount of vote.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	9	0	0
Since expended	935	19	8
	<u>£944</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>8</u>

From Main Road at Springfield, via Parr's Plains, to Road from Scottsdale and Upper Ringarooma.

VOTE—£500.

Nothing done as yet.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	15	7	0

From Moorina Road, near Ringarooma Port, to Gladstone.

VOTE—£2000.

The contract of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton, referred to in last return, has been completed, and the balance paid in May last. Vote slightly exceeded.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	1046	1	0
Since expended	1014	5	0
	<u>£2060</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>

From Ringarooma Port to Moorina.

VOTE—£2000.

The contract of Mr. J. Cassidy, referred to in last return, has been in a great measure completed, the total amount paid contractor being £1445 8s. 3d. Progress has been slow and unsatisfactory.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	27	6	6
Since expended	1499	16	3
	<u>£1527</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>9</u>

From Branzholm to Moorina.

VOTE—£1500.

The contract of Mr. W. Faulkner, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £1800 17s. 6d. (including £131 7s. 6d. for extra works ordered), of which £1536 6s. 6d. has been charged against the provision under the above-mentioned heading, and the balance against the amount available under the "Waste Lands Act" to vicinity of Moorina, as referred to under that heading. The amounts of £60 and £37 10s. were contributed by tin-mining companies (Arba and North Brothers' Home) in aid of cost of deviations of the road made for their benefit, which amounts have been placed to credit of the vote.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	144	17	6
Since expended	1483	3	6
	<u>£1628</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>

From Moorina to Weldborough.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders were received in November last for grubbing and clearing on this road a distance of 6 miles, and that of Messrs. Rattray and Whitmore, at £520, accepted. This contract has been completed, and the balance paid in April last. Arrangements have also been made for the expenditure of the balance of the vote by day labour under the District Inspector, Mr. A. Hall, but no payments on this account have yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	563	10	11

From Scottsdale and Upper Ringarooma Road to Branzholm (Branzholm Lane).

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders for the completion of Loone's contract, referred to in last return, were received in August last, and that of Mr. W. Faulkner, at £1056 10s., accepted. This contract has been completed, the amount of £900 having been charged against this vote, and the balance, £162 10s. 3d. (including extras) against the vote for Branzholm Lane, under "Branch Roads Construction Act, 1882"—which see also for particulars of works carried out in completion of the contract referred to above.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	14	18	0
Since expended	985	2	0
	<u>£1000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

From Gould's Country (Lower Junction) to Weldborough.

VOTE—£4000.

The contract of Messrs. Haley Bros., referred to in last return, is still in progress, and the amount of £1600 has been paid on account of same. The progress made is exceedingly slow, but the work so far has been well done. Tenders were invited in November last for works on this road, against the balance on the above-mentioned vote and the provision for road, Lower Junction to Weldborough, under "Branch Roads Construction Act, 1882." No satisfactory offer being received, the work was again advertised in December, but without result. Local tenders were then received through the District Inspector for the grubbing and clearing only, and that of Messrs. Rattray and Co., at 12s. per chain, accepted in February last. This work has since been completed, at a cost of £158 8s., and the amount paid in May. Works by day labour under the supervision of District Inspector have also been carried out to the extent of about £490, and are now being continued against the vote for this road, under "Branch Roads Construction Act, 1882"—which see.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	616	18	5
Since expended	1812	7	1
	<u>£2429</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>

From Slabbed Road, Gould's Country, through Settlements on Upper George's River.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received in January last for works on two sections of this road; viz.—

- Section 1. Grubbing and clearing, forming, and culverts, &c., a distance of 2½ miles.
- Section 2. Grubbing and clearing, forming, &c., 48 chains.

No tenders, however, being received, the works were again advertised in February, and the tender of Messrs. Rattray and Whitmore accepted, at £420 13s. and £70 16s., for the two sections respectively. Section 2 has been completed, and paid for, and the amount of £120 has been paid on account of Section 1.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return 30th June, 1882	1	13	4
Since expended	230	9	10
	<u>£232</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>

Road from Swansea to Avoca.

VOTE—£1000.

This amount of £79 14s. for constructing approaches to Brushy River Bridge, referred to in last return, has been paid, also amount of £81 10s. for approaches and fencing to Wye Bridge. No other expenditure out of this vote has been sanctioned, for the reason stated in last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	170	10	3

Brighton to Railway Station.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Mr. E. Creed, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £417 7s. 6d., and the balance paid in March last. Vote quite expended.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	79	2	6
Since expended	420	9	7
	<u>£499</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>1</u>

Road from Tunnack Road to Jericho Railway Station.

VOTE—£1500.

The contracts referred to in last return are in progress, but have not yet been completed. Operations were for a considerable time delayed in consequence of an alteration of route.

Amount paid on account of Sections 1, 2, and 4, £660; ditto, Section 3, £160.

Tenders were also received in February last for constructing bridge over Deep Creek, for which the tender of Mr. W. C. Grubb and Bros., at £343, has been accepted. £150 has been paid on account of this work.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	14	15	0
Since expended	679	16	9
	<u>£694</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>

From Jericho and Eastern Marshes Road to Settlement and Crown Lands at the Back Bluff, Tunnack.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders were received in April last for works on two sections of this road, viz.—

Section A. From junction of Tunnack and Eastern Marshes Roads to junction of the Woodsdale Road—forming, gravelling, culverts, &c., extending over a distance of about 2 miles.

Section B. Forming, gravelling, culverts, ditches, &c., extending over a distance of 1½ miles; and that of Mr. P. C. Wagner, at £277 13s., was accepted for Section B.

No satisfactory offer being received for Section A, the work was again advertised in May, when the tender of Messrs. Kelly and Mackey, at £233 2s., was accepted. Both these contracts are in progress. Amounts paid on account, £68 and £117 respectively.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	80	0	0

COUNTY OF BUCKINGHAM.

From Main Road, at the Falls, near New Norfolk, to Dry Creek Settlement.

VOTE—£500.

Nothing yet done, pending settlement as to deviation and the necessary arrangements for acquiring land.

Expended	Nil.
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From Road to Dry Creek Settlement extending into Crown Lands.

VOTE—£400.

Works to the extent of £75 and £37 0s. 11d. have been carried out under the contracts of Messrs. Jeffrey and Crosswell for Sections 1 and 2, referred to in last return, and tenders for further works on this road are now invited.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	119	13	11

From Ellendale (Monto's Marsh) to Hamilton.

VOTE—£1500.

Expenditure on this vote still deferred, as the Trust has declined to accept the liability imposed by "The Roads Maintenance Act, 1881." An officer of the Department has lately been instructed to examine and report as to the two proposed routes, and to furnish separate estimates of cost of construction, with a view to the settlement of the difficulty.

Expended..... Nil.

From Main Road at Berriedale Inn, near Hobart, to Settlement at head of Sorell Creek.

VOTE—£800.

Works to the amount of £80 and £130 have been carried out under contracts of Messrs. Darko and Grenda and Fehlberg, for Sections 1 and 2, referred to in last return. A contract for forming was also entered into in July last with Mr. G. Ackroyd, the work being completed at a cost of £38.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	54	5	0
Since expended	159	15	0
	<u>£214</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Sandy Bay Beach and Causeway.

VOTE—£500.

The necessary survey was made in October last, at a cost of £10 10s. An arrangement was entered into with Mr. McPherson, the owner of property fronting on the beach, by which it was agreed to pay £75 as compensation and erecting the necessary fencing. Tenders for the fencing were accordingly invited in November, that of Mr. R. G. Sutherland being accepted, and the amount of £63 10s. has been paid on account of this work, including extras. The amount of £22 has also been expended by the Department in day labour in forming the eastern end of causeway. Tenders for constructing the causeway were received in January, and that of Mr. Sutherland, at £333 6s., accepted. The amount of £313 6s. has been paid contractor on account of these works, which have to be completed at his cost, having been left by him in an unfinished state. The compensation to Mr. McPherson for land taken has not yet been paid, and negotiations are now pending with reference to claims by the Hon. John Lord for compensation for injury stated to be caused to his property by the construction of these works.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	442	11	3

Sandy Bay Rivulet to Ridgeway.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Messrs. Hursey and Kennedy, referred to in last return, is in great part completed, the amount of £400 having been paid on account of same, but payment of balance has not yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	434	5	0

From Kingston, Brown's River, to Leslie.

VOTE—£600.

Nothing yet done, the consent of one of the Road Trusts to maintenance not having been received.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2	8	0
Since expended	12	12	0
	<u>£15</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

From Main Road near Leslie to Sandfly Settlements.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders were received in December last for works on two sections of this road; viz.—

- Section 1. General road works, for about 1½ miles.
Section 2. Ditto, 1¼ miles—

For which the tender of Mr. R. G. Sutherland, at £812, was accepted. The amount of £650 has been paid on account of this contract, which has recently been cancelled in consequence of the contractor's failure,

and the works will now be completed by the Department at his cost and risk. Part of the cost of contract of Messrs. Duggan Bros. for road Woodstock to Sandfly Settlement (*q.v.*) under "The Branch Roads Construction Act, 1882," will also be charged against this heading.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	5	6	9
Since expended	670	5	7
	<u>£675</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>

From Victoria to Upper Huon Settlements.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders for works on three sections of this road were again invited in September and November last, and no satisfactory offer being received, the co-operation of the Victoria Road Trust was sought in the matter, but as this Trust was unable to arrange for carrying out the works in the manner desired by this Department, tenders were, for the fifth time, invited in February last, when that of Messrs. Oates, Heron, and Voss was accepted as under:—

	£	s.	d.
Section 1	478	10	0
Section 2	469	10	0

Section 1. Commencing at Rymond's Bridge, Victoria, and extending for 77½ chains, General Road Works, bridge, &c.

Section 2. From end of Section 1, general road works, for a distance of 1 mile.

Expenditure on Section 3 has been deferred, the vote being insufficient to allow of the works being carried out.

Sections 1 and 2 are in progress, and the amount of £126 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	5	4	4
Since expended	113	0	6
	<u>£118</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u>

Port Cygnet to Wattle Grove.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for works on two sections of this road were again received in November last, when that of Messrs. Dance, Lawler, and Co., at £274 19s., was accepted for Section 1, commencing opposite Wattle Grove Jetty, and extending for 65 chains, general road works, culverts, bridge, &c. This work is in progress, and the amount of £156 has been paid on account of same. The amount of £75 2s. 4d. has been paid as compensation for land taken for road. Works on Section 2 have been deferred, the vote being insufficient for same and to meet cost of compensation for acquiring land.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	6	16	8
Since expended	224	14	10
	<u>£231</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>6</u>

Port Cygnet to Gardner's Bay.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Messrs. Stanton and Cleary for Section 2, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £238 10s. For Section 1 tenders were re-invited in July last, and that of Mr. M. Compton, at £220, accepted. £200 has been paid on account of this Section, the works on which are still in progress.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	6	8	8
Since expended	476	13	0
	<u>£483</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>8</u>

Road from junction with Road to Gardner's Bay to Nicholls' Rivulet Settlement.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders were received in August last for general road works on four sections of this road. No tenders were accepted for Sections 2, 3, and 4. For Section 1 the tender of D. Rafton, at £371 7s. 6d., was accepted.

Tenders for Sections 2 and 3 were again invited in October (Section 4 being deferred), but none were accepted. The contractor for Section 1 being shortly afterwards prevented by unavoidable circumstances from carrying out his contract, tenders were again invited in March, and resulted in that of Mr. A. Stanton, at £460, being accepted, subject to certain reductions. Arrangements were subsequently made with the previous tenderers for Sections 2 and 3 (Messrs. Harvey and Co.) to carry out works on these sections at schedule prices; viz.—

Section 2. At about £420.

Section 3. Works to the extent of £150.

As the works, however, have not yet been begun on Section 3, this Section will be deferred, and Section 1 completed without reductions. Arrangements for this have been made. Amount paid on account of Section 1, £285; ditto Section 2, £312.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2	19	8
Since expended	525	16	11
	<u>£528</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>7</u>

Road, Oyster Cove to Three Hut Point.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Mr. J. J. Charlton, referred to in last return, has been completed, but payment of balance has not yet been made, pending the usual maintenance. Amount paid on account, £280.

Tenders were also received in May last for general road works on four additional sections of this road, and that of Messrs. Bradley Bros. accepted as under:—

	£	s.	d.
Section 5	69	11	0
Section 6	28	14	0
Section 7	41	5	0
Section 8 at schedule prices, so far as balance of funds will allow.			

This contract is in progress, but no payments on account of same have yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	7	0	0
Since expended	295	8	6
	<u>£302</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>

COUNTY OF KENT.

Road from Main Road at Huon Bridge to Settlement at She-oak Hills.

VOTE—£1000.

The contract of Mr. D. D'Arcy for Sections 1 and 3, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £571 14s. 3d., the amounts paid on account of the two sections being—

Section 1. £421 14s. 3d.; including extras, £30 14s. 3d.
 Section 3. £150.

Works on the last-mentioned Section were only carried on to the amount of £150, reduction being made to allow for the completion of Section 2, referred to below.

Tenders were received in February last for general works on Section 2, and that of Mr. D. D'Arcy accepted for works to the value of £275. Arrangements have, however, been since made, as referred to above, for the completion of this Section in its entirety, reductions being made on Section 3 to allow of this as stated above. Amount paid on account of Section 2, £128.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	5	2	5
Since expended	739	4	6
	<u>£744</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>11</u>

Road from Main Road near Franklin to Settlements on Swamp Road.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Mr. M. Fitzpatrick, referred to in last return, has been completed, but payment of balance has not yet been made. Paid on account, £450. The vote will be expended in meeting cost of this work.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	101	6	6
Since expended	378	1	8
	<u>£479</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>2</u>

Road, Honeymoon to Flight's Bay.

VOTE—£2000.

The contracts of Messrs. Fitzpatrick and Geeves, referred to in last return, have been in great part completed, the amounts paid on account being—for Section 1, £425; Sections 2 and 3, £875.

Tenders were also received in March last for general works on Section 4 of this road, and that of Mr. O. Geeves, at £320, accepted. This contract is in progress, but no payments on account have yet been made.

An amount of £22 11s. 2d. has also been paid for some grubbing and clearing in vicinity of Cairn's Bay, the work being recommended and arranged for by the Surges Bay Road Trust.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	411	5	0
Since expended	980	8	1
	<u>£1391</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>1</u>

Flight's Bay to Port Esperance.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders were received in October last for works on two sections of this road; viz.—

- Section 1. Grubbing and clearing, forming, culverts, &c., 109 chains.
 Section 2. General Road Works, 92 chains.

For Section 1 the tender of Messrs. Langdon, Eaves and Co., at £281 9s. 6d., was accepted. No tender was accepted for Section 2, which was accordingly re-advertised in November, when the tender of Messrs. Connolly and Dolco, at £539 15s. 6d., was accepted. This contract has recently been transferred to Mr. Dolco. Amounts paid on account of the above-mentioned works—Section 1, £267 9s. 6d.; Section 2, £260.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882.....	23	10	0
Since expended	506	5	0
	<u>£529</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>0</u>

Port Esperance to Southport.

VOTE—£1500.

Payment of amount of D. Rafton's contract, referred to in last return, was made in August last, the total cost of the work being £75.

Tenders were also received in March last for works on Sections 2 and 3 of this road; viz.—

- Section 2. Commencing at junction with road Surges Bay to Port Esperance, general road works, for a distance of 100 chains, bridge, &c.
 Section 3. Ditto, about 2 miles—

For which the following tenders were accepted:—

	£	s.	d.
Section 2. W. Davis, at	529	6	6
Section 3. F. Hudson.....	429	0	9

Instalment of £90 has been paid on account of Section 2. No payments have yet been made on account of Section 3, and an application of the contractor for this Section to be allowed to

withdraw from same, on account of unfavourable weather and difficulty in procuring labour, is now under consideration.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2	7	0
Since expended	133	10	0
	£135	17	0

COUNTY OF PEMBROKE.

From Upper Carlton at Carlton River to Ragged Tier, West.

VOTE—£2500.

A considerable expenditure has been incurred on this road by day labour, as referred to in last return, the total amount so expended being about £1300.

Tenders were also received in October for works on this road, and that of G. Burden, at £376, accepted for Section 3. This contract has been completed at a cost of £383 16s. 6d.

Extra works have also been ordered on this contract—52 chains rubbling and blinding, at £4 per chain, to join on with work carried out by Department; but no payment on account of these works has yet been made.

Tenders were also received in April last for works on Sections 5 and 6, which resulted in the following being accepted:—

	£	s.	d.
Section 5. G. Burden, at.....	212	0	0
Section 6. J. and E. Woolley.....	158	16	0

These works are in progress. £97 has been paid on account of Section 5, and £100 on account of Section 6.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	23	5	0
Since expended	1721	9	11
	£1744	14	11

Road from Ragged Tier East to Dunally, East Bay Neck, including Bender's Bridge.

Tenders for works on this road were received in October last, and the following accepted:—

Section 2. General works—H. Smith, £224 8s.
Section 3. Ditto, including the erection of Bender's Bridge—H. J. Hodgson, at £118.

These works are completed, but payment of balance has not yet been made.

Amount paid on account—Section 2 (contract and extras), £228 8s.; Section 3, £98.

Vote will be expended in meeting cost of these contracts.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	12	5	0
Since expended	435	19	9
	£448	4	9

Dunally, East Bay Neck, to Eagle Hawk Neck and Carnarvon.

VOTE—£800.

The contract of Messrs. Chesterman and Clark is not yet completed, the amount of £450 having been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	7	15	0
Since expended	491	9	6
	£499	4	6

Road from Eagle Hawk Neck to Settlement at Saltwater River.

VOTE—£800.

Tenders were received in December last for works on two Sections of this road, viz.—

- Section 1. General road works, in places extending over a distance of about $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles, bridges, &c.
 Section 2. Ditto, for a distance of about 6 miles, bridges, &c.—

For which the following tenders were accepted :—

- Section 1. Blackwood and Stubbings Bros., £304 7s.
 Section 2. C. and A. Stubbings, £262 15s.

Section 2 has been completed at a cost of £317 4s., including extras, £54 9s., and amount of £301 7s. paid contractors ; £160 has been paid on account of Section 1, which is still in progress.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	15	0	0
Since expended	417	19	10
	<u>£432</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>10</u>

BRIDGES ON BRANCH ROADS.

Meander River near Cheshunt.

VOTE—£400.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 28th May, 1883—£56 8s. 2d.

The contract referred to in last return has been completed, at cost of £400, and the balance paid in February last. Additional provision was authorised to be made by Supplementary Estimate in May last, the vote for this service being insufficient to cover supervision and departmental charges.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	173	12	6
Since expended	289	13	8
	<u>£463</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>

Meander River, near Exton.

VOTE—£500.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 11th March, 1882—£50.

The contract of Mr. P. Davern, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £500, and the balance paid in April last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	19	1	3
Since expended	940	15	4
	<u>£959</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>7</u>

Meander River, at Egmont.

VOTE—£500.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 9th October, 1882—£150.

Tenders were again received in August last for the construction of this bridge, and resulted in that of Mr. P. Davern being accepted, at £580, for a bridge of 9 small spans, including forming earthwork approaches. This contract has been completed, and the balance paid. Additional provision to meet the cost of this work was authorised to be made by Supplementary Estimate in October last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	30	16	10
Since expended	588	7	0
	<u>£619</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>10</u>

Meander River, at M'Kinnon's.

VOTE—£200.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 2nd October, 1882—£150.

Tenders were also received in August last for raising and repairing this bridge, and that of Mr. C. T. Watson, at £280 10s., accepted. The execution of the works was, however, deferred until the bridge over the river at Egmont was well advanced to prevent the hindrance to traffic which would have been caused if both works had been in operation simultaneously, but the work was begun early in the present year, and is now completed, but payment of balance has not yet been made, pending the usual maintenance. Amount paid on account, £250. Additional provision was also necessary in this case to the extent of £150, which was authorised by Governor in Council in October last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	14	13	0
Since expended	256	13	6
	<u>£271</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

Mersey River, near Gad's Hill.

VOTE—£600.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 18th June, 1883—£100.

The contract of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £608 2s. 6d., including £36 for extra works ordered, and the balance paid in June last. Further provision has been made to the extent of £100 by Supplementary Estimate, to meet the excess on vote caused by above-named extras, supervision, and office charges.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	177	19	9
Since expended	511	4	4
	<u>£689</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>

Mersey River, at Dynan's Ford.

VOTE—£600.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 11th March, 1882—£150.

The contract of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton, referred to in last return, is now complete, with exception of painting. Amount paid on account, £480.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	25	19	4
Since expended	46	16	10
	<u>£72</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>2</u>

Mersey River, near Kimberley's Ford.

VOTE—£600.

A special survey has been made in connection with this work, and contract drawings are now complete.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	5	17	6
Since expended	10	10	0
	<u>£16</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>

Wilmot River, at Alma.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for the erection of this bridge were again invited in July last, and that of J. A. Austin, at £540, accepted. This work has been completed, but payment of balance has not yet been made, pending the maintenance by the contractor. Amount paid on account, £513.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	3	17	0
Since expended	631	1	5
	<u>£634</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>5</u>

Waratah River, near Mount Bischoff.

VOTE—£1000.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 28th May, 1883—£49 18s. 8d.

The contract of Mr. H. T. Dowling, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £969 6s., and the balance paid in March last. Additional provision has been made by Supplementary Estimate in May last for supervision, &c.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	154	12	6
Since expended	900	6	2
	<u>£1054</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>8</u>

Bridging Streams and improving Track on Road, Circular Head, viâ Montagu, to Corinna.

VOTE—£200.

For particulars of work, see similar vote under "The Branch Roads Construction Act, 1882."

	£	s.	d.
Expended	190	12	3

South Esk River, near Dan's Rivulet.

VOTE—£200.

Tenders for this work were invited in October and January last, but no satisfactory offers were received. The work has been deferred, pending further provision being made by Parliament.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	4	12	11

Clyde River, at Bothwell.

VOTE—£900.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 28th February, 1883—£330.

Tenders were received in December last for the erection of this bridge on the site known as the Middle Site; but the only tender received being considerably in excess of the vote, the Road Trust was communicated with, and their opinion asked as to the site, as the cost of work at Upper Site was estimated at about £800. The decision of the Trust being in favour of the Middle Site, tenders were again invited in February last for bridge at this place, a stronger class of work with more expensive approaches being adopted, and the tender of Mr. W. Oates, at £1125, accepted. This work is in progress, but no payments have yet been made on account of same.

Additional provision to meet the cost of the work has been authorised to be made by Supplementary Estimate.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	3	10	8

Shannon River (on Road to Lake Country).

VOTE—£400.

Tenders for this work were again invited in December last, but no satisfactory offer being received, the work is still deferred.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	6	16	6
Since expended	3	6	0
	<u>£10</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>

Nive River Road to Lake Country.

VOTE—£600.

Tenders for the construction of this bridge were again invited in September last, and that of Mr. Jas. Taylor, Jun., at £595, accepted. The works under this contract were not, however, carried out in a satisfactory manner by Mr. Taylor, and the contract was in April last transferred to Mr. T. Cane, by whom it is being completed. Amount paid on account, £350. Works have been suspended during the winter months.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	12	0	0
Since expended	215	0	11
	<u>£227</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11</u>

Ouse River (on Road to Lake Country), viâ Tunbridge.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for this work were, for the fifth time, invited in December last, and resulted in that of Mr. J. Taylor, Jun., at £500, being accepted.

No payments on account of this contract have yet been made, as the accepted tenderer has failed to proceed with the works when called upon to do so; and this failure is now being considered with reference to cancelling the contract.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	17	6	11
Since expended	6	19	6
	<u>£24</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>

Swan River (Swansea to Avoca).

VOTE—£500.

Work not yet arranged for, and has been deferred, owing to Road Trustees having declined to comply with the provisions of "The Roads Maintenance Act."

Expended Nil.

Bridge over Jordan River at Old Beach, Bridgewater.

VOTE—£500.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 28th May, 1883—£18 9s.

The contract of Mr. W. Oates, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £472 10s., including £23 10s. for extra works, and the balance paid in December last.

Further provision to the extent of £18 9s. was authorised to be made by Supplementary Estimate in May last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	288	17	0
Since expended	232	12	0
	<u>£521</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>0</u>

Carlton River, at Upper Carlton.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Messrs. T. Underwood Bros., referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £438 13s. 4d.; viz.—Bridge, £348 5s.; approaches, £72 5s.; extra works, £18 3s. 4d.; and the balance paid in May last.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	2	6	0
Since expended	497	11	4
	<u>£499</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>4</u>

Dunrobin Bridge Approaches.

VOTE—£500.

The contract of Mr. John Bolton, referred to in last return, for supplying the round and sawn timber for eastern approach, has been completed, at a cost of £348 2s. 6d., and the balance paid in April last.

Arrangements were also made for carrying out the necessary work in reconstruction of approach by day labour under the Department, and an expenditure of about £350 has been so incurred for wages, ironwork, stores, and miscellaneous contingent expenses. This expenditure has caused an excess on vote of about £200, for which special provision will be necessary.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	8	15	0
Since expended	695	8	9
	<u>£704</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>9</u>

Lachlan River (Lachlan Road).

VOTE—£200.

Tenders for this work were again invited in September last, the previous negotiations with Road Trustees for the construction of approaches not having been successful, and the tender of Mr. C. F. Eiszele at £192, for bridge and approaches, was accepted. An amount of £160 has been paid on account of this contract, which is still in progress.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	0	6	6
Since expended	107	2	8
	<u>£107</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>2</u>

Mountain River, at Victoria.

VOTE—£600.

The contract of Mr. H. E. Clark, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a cost of £581 14s., including £39 15s. for extra work, and the balance has been paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	17	5	5
Since expended	621	9	1
	<u>£638</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>6</u>

Great and Little Henty Rivers (West Coast).

VOTE—£1000.

No further works have been carried out. Expenditure to the amount of £15 8s. 8d. has been incurred for freight of materials, &c. in connection with works referred to in last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	472	3	4
Since expended	25	8	8
	<u>£497</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>0</u>

Coal River, Rumney's Hut.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for the erection of this bridge were received in August last, none being successful; and again in September, when that of Messrs. W. C. Grubb & Bros. was accepted, at £382, for bridge and approaches. This work has been completed, at a cost of £434 19s., including extras, and the amount paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	0	15	0
Since expended	426	14	8
	<u>£427</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>

BRANCH ROADS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1881, 45 VICT. No. 32.

Road from Dixon's Point (West Tamar Road) to Beaconsfield.

VOTE—£1500.

The works by day labour, referred to in last return, have been continued, and the vote has been expended. See also vote for same road under "Branch Roads Construction Act, 1882," for particulars of further works similarly carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	564	13	7
Since expended	934	17	1
	£1499	10	8

Road from Beaconsfield to new Jetty at Beauty Point.

VOTE—£2000.

The contract of Messrs. Adams and Hind, referred to in last return, has not yet been completed, having proceeded in a slow and unsatisfactory manner; and the contractors have recently been notified that their contract will be cancelled unless the works are carried on with greater energy.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	435	13	4
Since expended	1153	4	10
	£1588	18	2

New Jetty at Beauty Point.

VOTE—£350.

The contract of Messrs. Walter and Jones, for constructing jetty and approach, referred to in last return, was transferred in October last to Messrs. Whelan and Page; the amount previously paid on account being £50. These works, however, have not progressed satisfactorily, and are still incomplete. The amount of £180 only has been paid on account, including £50 to original contractors referred to above.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	6	12	0
Since expended	229	0	4
	£235	12	4

WEST COAST PUBLIC WORKS ACT, 45 VICT. No. 30.

Improving Means of Communication between Macquarie Harbour, Trial Harbour, and Mount Heemskirk, on West Coast, including Survey.

VOTE—£3000.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 18th January, 1883—£320 7s. 6d.

The works by day labour, referred to in last return, have been continued under Overseer Clay; and an additional expenditure of about £830 has been so incurred, including freight, tools, &c. The further sum of £642 2s. 6d. has been paid to Mr. J. C. Climie for engineering survey of proposed railway from Macquarie Harbour to Mount Heemskirk, the total cost of the survey being £942 2s. 6d.

Additional provision to the extent of £320 7s. 6d. was authorised by the Governor in Council in January last, to be made by Supplementary Estimate, the provision under the vote being insufficient.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return 30th June, 1882	1691	11	4
Since expended	1483	17	1
	£3175	8	5

Improvements at Trial Harbour, on the West Coast.

VOTE—£300.

An expenditure of £20 14s. has been incurred for day labour; also £15 for laying down moorings for buoys, £12 13s. 4d. for mooring-chains, and sundry other miscellaneous expenses. A crane, trolly, and crab-winch have also been ordered for jetty, and are in course of erection, part cost of which will be a charge against the vote under 46 Vict. No. 46, *q. v.*

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	75	0	0
Since expended	202	12	9
	<u>£277</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>

Erection of a Jetty at Macquarie Harbour, on the West Coast.

VOTE—£300.

Expenditure to the amount of about £64 has been incurred for day labour, stores, &c., in connection with works referred to in last return.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	254	2	5
Since expended	70	11	11
	<u>£324</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>4</u>

MAIN ROADS AND BRIDGES CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1882, 46 VICT. No. 23.

Emu Bay to Wynyard.

VOTE—£2000.

Tenders were received in January last for works on Sections 1 and 2 of this road, viz.—

Section 1. From near Seabrook Creek to Cam Bridge, general road works for a distance of 4 miles 17 chains.

Section 2. From near east side of Cam Bridge to near Parsonage, Emu Bay, general works for a distance of 3 miles 31 $\frac{3}{4}$ chains, bridges, &c.

For these works the tender of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton was accepted, as under—

Section 1. £1220.

Section 2. £970, subject to reductions to extent of about £300.

These works are in progress, and the amount of £558 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	365	17	3

Wynyard to River Inglis.

VOTE—£1500.

Tenders were received in November last for works on this road, viz.—general road works, commencing at Inglis Bridge and extending for a distance of 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles, for which the tender of Mr. P. O. Bowick at £1600 was accepted, subject to reductions to the extent of £150 to prevent excess on vote. This contract is in progress, and the amount of £724 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	746	12	3

Mount Direction to Lefroy.

VOTE—£2000.

Tenders were received in January last for works on this road, viz., general road works in places for a distance of 9 miles, and the tender of Mr. C. B. M. Fenton, at £2647 8s., accepted, subject to reductions to extent of about £800.

This contract is in progress, and the amount of £1742 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	925	1	9

Lefroy to George Town.

VOTE—£3000.

Tenders were received in December last for works on three sections of this road, and that of Mr. M. Boland, at £2475, accepted. Subsequently, however, this tenderer declined to carry out the contract, owing to an alleged mistake in his tender, and the work was again advertised in February, but no satisfactory offer was received. Arrangements were then made for the execution of a portion of the works by day labour under an overseer, and an expenditure of £586 has been so incurred. These works are still in progress.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	586	2	9

Launceston to Scottsdale.

VOTE—£2000.

The balance of £159 15s. on Messrs. Campbell and McDougall's contract has been charged against this vote, as referred to under particulars of road from Lisle Road to Tucker's Corners at Scottsdale, "Main Roads Construction Act, 1880," and Launceston to Scottsdale, "Main Roads Construction Act, 1881," also amount of £40 for extra works.

Part cost of the expenditure referred to under particulars of road Launceston to Scottsdale, "Main Roads Construction Act, 1881," to the extent of about £240, and balance on Mr. Fenton's contract on same road, about £700, will be charged against this vote.

Works by day labour have also been carried out on this road to the extent of about £430, and this expenditure is still continuing.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	935	4	2

Bellerive to Richmond.

VOTE—£1000.

Particulars of necessary works have been taken, and tenders will be called for same as soon as possible. It has been thought desirable to arrange for these works to go on in summer time, so that the public may suffer as little inconvenience as possible during operations.

Expended	Nil.
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Deviation or improvements at the Rocky Hills, near Lisdillon.

VOTE—£500.

Deferred, pending final decision as to the deviation proposed being carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	10	8	6

Widening Road through Paradise.

VOTE—£500.

Works were of such a character that they could only be carried out by day labour under an overseer, the expenditure so incurred, including supply of tools, timber, &c., being about £223, and these works are still being continued.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	223	8	5

Huon Bridge to Franklin.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received in February last for works on this road, commencing at Huon Bridge and continuing in portions to Franklin township, a distance of about 4½ miles, for which the tender of Mr. R. G. Sutherland, at £493, was accepted. This contractor, however, has failed to properly proceed with the works, which he has recently abandoned. His contract has accordingly been terminated, and the works will be completed by day labour by the Department. Amount paid to contractor, £100.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	108	14	0

Franklin to Castle Forbes Bay.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received at this office in February last for work on this road, viz., clearing, forming, metalling, in two portions, a total distance of about one mile, bridges, &c., for which the tender of Mr. M. Fitzpatrick was accepted, at £633, subject to reductions to the extent of about £160, to prevent excess on vote. This work is in progress, but no payments on account have yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	3	1	0

Huon Bridge to Port Cygnet (near Victoria).

VOTE—£300.

Tenders were received in February last for works on this road, beginning at junction with main road to Franklin near Huon bridge, and extending for a distance of 55 chains. For these works the tender of Messrs. Duggan Bros., at £275, was accepted, and the amount of £110 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	48	5	6

Kingston to Oyster Cove.

VOTE—£500.

Contract now in preparation.

Expended	Nil.
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Sorell to Carlton.

VOTE—£1000.

Contract now in preparation.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	13	0	6

BRIDGES ON MAIN ROADS.

River Forth.

VOTE—£1500.

Work has been deferred for consideration of proposal for construction of a much wider bridge for the important traffic, owing to the necessity of providing for additional cost of new abutment which rests on timber that is now exposed by the action of the river.

Expended	Nil.
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River Leven.

VOTE—£4500.

Drawings for this work are now in hand.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1	19	1

Sorell Creek, New Norfolk Road (Two Bridges).

VOTE—£300.

Tenders for this work were received in January last, and that of W. Oates, at £270, accepted. This contract is in progress, and the amount of £175 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	101	14	8

BRANCH ROADS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1882, 46 VICT. No. 24.

Quamby Brook Road.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received in April last for general road works on three sections of this road, and the tender of Messrs. F. and W. Bakes, jun., accepted, as under:—

	£	s.	d.
Section 1.....	128	9	0
Section 2.....	211	7	0
Section 3.....	157	0	0

These works are in progress, and instalment of £40 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended.....	6	3	6

Quamby Bluff Road, from School House, southwards.

VOTE—£500.

Nothing yet done.

	£	s.	d.
Expended.....	1	13	8

Road from Chudleigh and Mole Creek Road, at Lot 1198, southwards through Mole Creek Settlements.

VOTE—£800.

Tenders for works on this road were invited in April, but no satisfactory offer was received, and tenders are now re-invited.

	£	s.	d.
Expended.....	6	15	9

Road, St. Mary's to Picaninni Point.

VOTE—£600.

Expenditure of this vote has not been yet arranged for, the Glamorgan and Cornwall Road Trust having declined to accept the liability for maintenance imposed by the Act. The new Road Trust of St. Mary's having been recently formed, has been communicated with as to the maintenance of this and the following road, and if consent is received works will be arranged for with as little delay as possible.

Expended.....	Nil.
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Road, St. Mary's to Dublin Town via German Town.

VOTE—£500.

See remarks under previous heading.

Expended.....	Nil.
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West Tamar and Green's Creek Road.

VOTE—£800.

No works have been yet arranged for, the Road Trust having declined to accept the liability for maintenance.

	£	s.	d.
Expended.....	7	17	9

Road, West Tamar, from Dixon's Point to Beaconsfield.

VOTE—£900.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 25th June, 1883—£500.

The works by day labour, referred to under particulars of expenditure on road from Dixon's Point to Beaconsfield, under 45 Vict. No. 32, have been continued under this vote. Additional provision was also authorised by the Governor in Council in June to be made for the construction of road through the township of Beaconsfield.

	£	s.	d.
Expended.....	1103	6	9

Road from Settlement near Kelly's Look Out direct to Beaconsfield.

VOTE—£1000.

Expenditure of this vote was also delayed in consequence of the Road Trust declining to undertake the maintenance. Tenders were, however, invited for the clearing only in March last, and the following accepted :—

		£	s.	d.
Section 1.	J. W. Hinds	175	0	0
Section 2.	Ditto	112	10	0
Section 3.	Partridge and Cassidy	53	15	0
Section 4.	Ditto	69	6	0
Section 5.	Ditto	77	7	6

These works are in progress, £93 having been paid on account of Sections 1 and 2, and £157 on account of Sections 3, 4, and 5.

The Road Trust has been informed that no further works will be undertaken until consent to maintenance is received in accordance with the requirements of "The Roads Maintenance Act."

	£	s.	d.
Expended	289	4	1

Moriarty Road, Green's Creek end.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for works on 4 sections of this road were invited in February and March last, but no satisfactory offer was received on either occasion. Subsequently tenders were procured by the Chairman of the Harford and Templeton Road Trust, in accordance with the requirements of the Department, and the following accepted :—

		£	s.	d.
Section 2.	Forming, metalling, culverts, a distance of 9½ chains.—P. and H. Perry, at	85	6	0
Section 3.	Grubbing and clearing, forming, metalling, &c. a distance of 16 chains.—H. Moles	178	0	0

These works are in progress, but no payments have yet been made on account of same.

Tenders will be re-invited for the most necessary works on the other sections, to the extent of balance of vote, as soon as possible.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	5	16	6

From Egmont Bridge over River Meander to New Settlements and Crown Lands in Marland, via Brumby's Creek and Black Sugar-loaf.

VOTE—£600.

Works on this road will be advertised very shortly.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	11	4	6

From Dynan's Bridge over the River Mersey through Crown Lands to Sheffield.

VOTE—£600.

Nothing yet done, pending survey.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	2	5	0

From Railton and Sheffield Road, near Dick Lon's Bridge, southwards through Settlements.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders for works on this road were invited in January last; viz.—Grubbing and clearing, forming, metalling, culverts, &c. for a distance of 135 chains. No satisfactory offer being received, tenders were again invited in March, and the tender of Mr. T. Jubb, at £1252, accepted, subject to reductions to the extent of about £450.

This contract is in progress, and £210 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	245	18	8

Road from Sheffield to Mount Claude.

VOTE—£2000.

Works have been carried out on this road by day labour, under an overseer, against provision made by Supplementary Estimate (*q. v.*), and to the extent of £573, against the above-mentioned vote. Tenders also for further general works, a distance of nearly 4 miles, were received in January last, and that of Messrs. Duff and Hope accepted, at £1417, subject to reductions to extent of about £150. This contract is in progress, and the amount of £570 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1110	9	6

East Castra Road.

Additional Metalling in lieu of Slabbing.

VOTE—£1500.

Tenders were received in December last for works on this road, in six sections, consisting of replacing existing slabbing by metalling 12 feet wide, forming, scrubbing, culverts, draining, &c., and the tender of Messrs. Crawford Bros. accepted, as under:—

	£	s.	d.
Section 2.....	640	0	0
Section 3.....	95	0	0
Section 4.....	385	0	0
Section 5.....	290	0	0

This contract is in progress, and £880 has been paid on account.

Section 1 has been omitted, the vote being insufficient to allow of the work being carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	755	14	4

Old Gawler Road, from North Motton Road, near Ulverstone, to East Castra Road.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders for works on three sections of this road were received in February last; viz.—

Section 2. Grubbing and clearing, forming, metalling, culverts, &c., 60 chains.
 Section 3. Ditto, ditto, ditto, 10 chains.
 Section 4. Grubbing and clearing, 67 chains.

The tender of Messrs. Andrews and Diprose, at £795 17s., was accepted for Section 2, which is in progress, and £294 has been paid on account of same. No tenders were accepted for the other sections, the vote being insufficient.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	15	10	6

Nine-Mile Road (Heybridge).

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received in February last for works on this road; viz.—Grubbing and clearing, forming, metalling, culverts, &c. extending over a distance of 102 chains, for which the tender of Mr. W. H. Cann was accepted, at £549 19s. 6d., subject to reductions to the extent of about £100. This contract is in great part completed, and the amount of £392 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended.....	341	8	9

Road from Pine Road, viâ Sulphur Creek, to River Blythe.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received in February last for works on this road; viz.—

Section 1. Forming 22 chains.
 Section 2. Grubbing and clearing 3½ miles.

For which the tender of Mr. G. Turner was accepted as under—

Section 1. £36 9s.
 Section 2. £428 8s.

This contract is in progress, and instalments to the amount of £366 have been paid on account.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	232	10	10

Zigzag Road, Sulphur Creek.

VOTE—£400.

Tenders for general works on two Sections of this road were received in April last, and the following accepted :—

Section 1. J. Pritchard, at £186.

Section 2. Templar and Radford, at £191 10s.

Both these contracts are in progress. £50 has been paid on account of Section 1, and £36 on account of Section 2.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	8	7	8

From end of West Castra Road, at Town of Leven, to and through Selections on Gunn's Plains.

VOTE—£500.

Nothing yet done. Expenditure will be shortly arranged for.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	2	11	3

Sheffield to Nook.

VOTE—£1500.

Tenders for works on 4 Sections of this road are now invited.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	14	4	4

Moreville Road, Emu Bay.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders for works on this road were received in December last, viz., general road works for a distance of 1½ miles, and that of Messrs. W. H. and G. Atkinson, at £935, was accepted. This contract is in great part completed, and the amount of £899 3s. 6d. has been paid on account of the same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	755	17	1

Mount Hicks Road, near Wynyard.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for works on this road were invited in February last, viz., forming and metalling, &c. for a distance of about 91 chains. No satisfactory offer being received, the works were again advertised in March, and the tender of W. Garner accepted, at £565 15s., subject to reductions to extent of about £120. £40 has been paid on account of this contract, which is still in progress.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	29	8	6

South Road, Circular Head.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received in February last for works on this road, viz., grubbing and clearing 23 chains, forming and metalling 32 chains, culverts, &c. for which the tender of Messrs. Kay and Gardner, at £429 19s., was accepted. This contract has been completed, but payment of balance has not been made, pending the usual maintenance. Amount paid on account, £414 4s.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	417	10	2

Waratah to Rouse's Camp.

VOTE—£2500.

Tenders for works on this road were received in February last, viz., grubbing and clearing, forming, metalling, culverts, &c. for a distance of 177½ chains, and the tender of Mr. T. W. Birch, at £2044, accepted. This contract is in progress, and the amount of £948 has been paid contractor.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	947	6	6

From Dorset River Bridge, near Fry's, to Cross Roads, and southwards to Selections.

VOTE—£1500.

Consent of Road Trust to maintenance of works has only recently been received. Expenditure will be arranged for as early as possible.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	12	18	0

From Lower Junction, Gould's Country, to Weldborough, including widening near Lower Junction and deviation at Crystal Creek.

VOTE—£1500.

Works in continuation of those referred to under particulars of expenditure on road Gould's Country to Weldborough under "The Branch Roads Construction Act, 1881," are being carried out under the above-mentioned vote; viz., deviation at Crystal Creek under the supervision of the District Inspector, Mr. A. Hall. Particulars of other works on this road have also been taken, and tenders for same will be invited as soon as possible.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	81	14	5

Branxholm Lane.

VOTE—£900.

A contract has been entered into with Mr. W. Faulkner for completing 23 chains of road not provided for under his contract on same road under "The Branch Roads Construction Act, 1881" (*q. v.*), at £188 5s. This work is almost completed, and £162 10s. 3d. has been paid contractor. Tenders for works on Section 2 were also invited in May last, and that of Mr. J. Bartley, at £775, accepted, subject to reductions to the extent of about £150. Part cost of contract of W. Faulkner under "Branch Roads Construction Act, 1881" will also be charged to this vote.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	230	9	7

Moorina to Boobyalla (Ringarooma Port).

VOTE—£2000.

Arrangements will be made for expenditure of vote as soon as winter season is over.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1	1	0

Scottsdale to Upper Ringarooma, including Earthworks to replace old Bridges.

VOTE—2000.

Tenders for works on this road, viz., culverts with earthworks, metalling, fencing, &c., were received in March last, and that of Mr. W. Faulkner, at £955 2s., was accepted.

This work is in progress, and the amount of £320 has been paid contractor.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	326	1	6

Branxholm to Brothers' Home and Moorina.

VOTE—£1500.

Tenders were received in May last for general works on this road, beginning at 2 miles east of Branxholm, and ending at Brothers' Home Tin Mine, a distance of $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles; and that of Mr. T. O'Keeffe, at £1199 1s. 9d., was accepted. This contract is in progress, and £310 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	21	0	0

Swansea to Campbell Town.

VOTE—£4000.

The consents from the Northern Macquarie and Glamorgan Road Trusts for maintenance, as required by the provisions of "The Roads Maintenance Act," have, after some delay, been received, and the District Inspector is now going through the line in order to definitely indicate the same and make necessary improvements. Particulars of the most desirable works to have performed out of this vote will also be taken by this officer, who will supervise the carrying out of same as far as possible.

The arrangement proposed for the two Road Trusts interested in this work to undertake the expenditure of this vote in such manner as might be previously arranged by the Department, was not agreed to by the Northern Macquarie Road Trust, and authority has been given to the Glamorgan Road Trust to expend £1000 in the construction of such works as may be considered most necessary by the Inspector of this Department on portion of this road. A first advance of £100 has been made to this Trust on this account.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	100	0	0

Dromedary Road, South.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were invited in June for works on this road, but none were accepted, and expenditure has been deferred for the present, pending receipt of consent from Road Trust for maintenance of work on that portion of road from High Sunderland towards Tier, the lower road along the river (North Bridgewater to New Norfolk) being the part upon which expenditure was desired and recommended by the Trust; but this could not be entertained.

Expended	Nil.
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From Roheby to Muddy Plains; viz.—Causeway across Ralph's Bay.

VOTE—£400.

Tenders for this work were invited in January last, but none were received. Efforts were then made to procure tenders through the Chairman of the Road Trust, but without result, and the work has accordingly been deferred.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	0	11	6

From Richmond to Jerusalem, viâ Campania Station of Main Line Railway; viz.—Deviation at Campania Station.

VOTE—£2000.

Tenders were received in March last for the erection of about 344 chains of fencing on this road, and that of Mr. H. J. Brock, at £1 10s. per chain, accepted. This contract has been completed, at a cost of £539 13s. 4d., and the amount paid.

Tenders for general works on this road were also invited in May last, but no satisfactory offer being received, it has been decided to carry out the work by day labour, under an overseer, and an expenditure of £378 has already been so incurred.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	208	17	3

Native Corners Road from Campania Station of Main Line Railway.

VOTE—£300.

Particulars have been taken, and tenders for the works will shortly be invited.

Expended	Nil.
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Tea Tree, Richmond.

VOTE—£500.

Particulars have been taken, and tenders will be invited before summer.

Expended	Nil.
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From Main Road at Berriedale Inn to Sorell Creek Bridge at German Town.

VOTE—£500.

No works have yet been arranged for on this or the next mentioned road, the consent of Road Trust to maintenance not having been received.

Expended	Nil.
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From Sorell Creek Bridge at German Town to Selections at Collins' Cap.

VOTE—£500.

See remarks under previous heading.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	0	12	6

Native Tier Road (Glenora).

VOTE—£800.

Tenders were invited in January last for works on three sections of this road, but none were received. The under-mentioned tenders, however, received in April through the Chairman of the Upper Derwent Road Trust, have since been accepted—

Section 1.	64 chains rubbing and blinding—J. Murtagh, jun., at £146 15s.
Section 2.	10 chains rubbing and blinding—J. Ryan, jun., at £22 10s.
Section 3.	35 chains rubbing and blinding—T. Shea, jun., at £78 15s.

These works are in progress. £60 has been paid on account of Section 1, £15 for Section 2, and £30 for Section 3.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	0	19	5

Road, Fenton Forest to Ellendale.

VOTE—£1000.

Tenders were invited in April for work on two sections of this road; viz.—

Section 1.	Forming and gravelling a distance of 59 chains.
Section 2.	General works for a distance of 109 chains.

No tenders being received, the works were again advertised in June, when the following were accepted:—

	£	s.	d.
Section 1. W. Clarke, at	244	10	0
Section 2. Scanlon and Mahoney.....	218	4	0

These contracts are in progress, but no payments have yet been made to contractors.

Expended.....	Nil.
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Allen's Rivulet Road (Leslie).

VOTE—£300.

Tenders for works on two sections of this road were received in January, and the following accepted:—

Section 1.	General works for a distance of 90 chains—Thompson Bros., at £253.
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Contract in progress, and amount of £240 7s. paid on account of the works.

No tender was accepted for Section 2, the vote being insufficient to allow of the same being carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	201	8	11

From Woodstock to Sandfly Settlements.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for general works on two sections of this road were received in January, and the following accepted:—

	£	s.	d.
Section 1. Duggan Bros., at	304	4	6
Section 2. Stubbings Bros., at	297	10	0

Both these contracts are in progress, and the amounts of £224 and £124 have been paid on account respectively. Part cost will be charged against vote for road from Leslie to Sandfly Settlements under "Branch Roads Construction Act, 1881," as referred to in particulars of expenditure under that heading.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	173	11	9

Agnes Rivulet Road (Port Cygnet), metalling in lieu of slabbing.

VOTE—£1500.

Works have been deferred until Spring on the recommendation of the Engineer of Roads after recent inspection.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1	10	10

Road from Lymington to Main Road at Port Cygnet Jetty.

VOTE—£400.

Tenders for works on this road are now invited.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1	2	0

Road from Port Cygnet to Glazier's Bay.

VOTE—£600.

Particulars of works will shortly be taken, and tenders invited as soon as possible.

Expended.....	Nil.
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Gardner's Creek Road, viz., Settlement to Shipping-place.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received in April for works on this road, viz., general road works for a distance of 88 chains, and that of Messrs. Thorpe and Stanton, at £460, accepted. This contract is in progress, and an instalment of £119 has been paid to contractors.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1	10	7

Procter's Road.

VOTE—£300.

Particulars of necessary works have been taken, and tenders will be invited as soon as possible.

Expended	Nil.
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Castle Forbes Bay to Settlement.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were invited in March for works on this road, but no satisfactory offer being received the works were re-advertised in May, and the following accepted:—

T. Hoare, at £475 10s., general road works for a distance of 79 chains.

This contract is in progress, and the amount of £40 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	23	8	3

Arve Road, Honeywood.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders are now invited for works on this and the two next mentioned roads.

	£	s.	d.
Expended.....	1	15	11

Kermandie Valley Road.

VOTE—£500.

See remarks under previous heading.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	2	1	6

Scott's Rivulet Road, Geeves Town.

VOTE—£500.

See remarks under Arve Road, Honeywood, above.

	£	s.	d.
Expended.....	2	2	8

From She-oak Hills Road, Huon Valley, to Settlements on top of Tier.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received in February last for general road works for a distance of 84 chains, and that of Mr. S. Smith, at £445, accepted. £139 has been paid on account of this contract, which is still in progress.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	123	2	0

From Wattle Hill Road (Upper Sorell), through the Weedy Hills, to Main Road between Buchland and Orford.

VOTE—£800.

Nothing yet done. Particulars of works have been taken, and tenders will shortly be invited.

Expended	Nil.
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Orielton Road, Sorell.

VOTE—£500.

Particulars of necessary works have been taken, and tenders will be invited as soon as possible.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	10	11	0

From Bridge over Carlton River at Upper Carlton, to end of Main Road from Sorell, at junction of Road to Upper Carlton, Lower Carlton, and Lewisham.

VOTE—£500.

Arrangements have been made to carry out works on this road by day labour under an overseer. These works are still going on, and an expenditure of £121 has already been incurred.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	121	6	3

Ragged Tier West to Shipping-place at East Bay Neck, viz., from Moorabool Road through Town of Copping.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders were received in June for general works on 4 Sections of this road, and that of W. Burden, at the under-mentioned amounts, accepted :—

Section 1, at £166 5s.
 Section 2, at £81 10s.
 Section 3, at £184 10s.
 Section 4, at £34 4s.

These works are in progress, and instalment of £20 has been paid contractor.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	2	16	0

BRIDGES ON BRANCH ROADS.

River Nile at Lillybourne.

VOTE—£300.

Tenders for the construction of this Bridge were received in April last, and that of Mr. C. T. Watson, at £320, accepted. Further provision will be necessary to meet cost of this work, which is in progress, but no payments have yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	6	9	0

South Esk River, near Avoca.

VOTE—£1200.

Tenders for the erection of this Bridge were received in March last, but being considerably in excess of the provision available none were accepted. The work has been deferred, pending further provision by Parliament.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1	9	1

George's River at George's Bay.

VOTE—£500.

Tenders for the erection of this Bridge were received in February, but none were accepted. Work has been deferred pending decision on the question of site.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1	7	2

Bridge over River Brid above Bridport, Coast Road to Bridport, Gladstone, &c.

VOTE—£400.

Nothing yet done.

Expended	Nil.
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Little Forester River, near Bowood, Coast Road to Bridport, Gladstone, &c.

VOTE—£200.

Tenders for the erection of this Bridge were invited in April last, none being received, and again in May without any satisfactory offer. On third advertisement the tender of Mr. J. Luck, at £197, has just been accepted. Further provision will be required to meet the cost of this work.

Expended	Nil.
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Blacksmith's Creek and Caroline Creek, on road Latrobe to Sheffield.

VOTE—£500.

These Bridges are being constructed by day labour under an overseer, the total amount paid to date for wages, materials, tools, &c. being £212 12s. 5d.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	212	12	5

River Don at North Barrington.

VOTE—£300.

Tenders for the erection of this Bridge were received in March last, and that of Messrs. Jackson and Hope, at £201, accepted. An amount of £27 10s. has also been authorised on this contract for raising north end of Bridge and forming approach to same.

These works are in progress, and an instalment of £60 has been paid contractors.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	6	9	10

Bridging streams and improving track on road Circular Head viâ Montagu to Pieman River.

VOTE—£600.

Tenders were received in February last for this work; viz., grubbing, clearing, forming and corduroying, constructing bridge over Interview River, and several smaller bridges. That of Mr. H. F. Gale, at £806 4s., was accepted, subject to reductions to prevent excess on vote. Part cost of this road will form a charge against similar vote under "Branch Roads Construction Act, 1881," as referred to under that heading. Amount paid contractor, £354.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	75	9	8

Gardner's Creek, Deep Bay Creek, and Garden Island Creek, on Coast Road from Gordon to Port Cygnet.

VOTE—£300.

Tenders for the erection of these bridges were received in March last, and that of Messrs. Kerr and Compton, at £275, accepted. This contract is in progress, and an instalment of £60 has been paid to contractors.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	32	19	6

PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1882, 46 VICT. No. 26.

JETTIES AND BREAKWATERS.

Emu Bay Jetty (conditionally upon an equal amount being provided from Local Sources.)

VOTE—£5000.

Mr. C. Napier Bell was instructed to furnish working plans and specifications when reporting upon the improvements of the Esk and Tamar Rivers at Launceston, and took all necessary measurements for the purpose; but plans have not yet been received, owing to Mr. Bell's numerous other engagements in New Zealand preventing him from giving the required attention. They are, however, daily expected, and when received will be submitted to the Agent of the V. D. Land Company.

Expenditure	£	s.	d.
	19	6	0

Montagu Jetty and Stanley Wharf.

VOTE—£700.

Contract for repairs to Montagu Jetty has recently been entered into with Mr. A. B. Kay, at £90, the work being arranged for by the Circular Head Marine Board under the supervision of an officer of this Department.

Stanley Wharf.

Marine Board has been requested to submit particulars, in which they were assisted by an officer of this Department. These will be ready shortly.

Expenditure	£	s.	d.
	4	6	8

Bridport Harbour and Boobyalla Jetty.

VOTE—£600.

Tenders were received in June for improvements at Bridport Harbour, but none have been accepted, as further measurements and soundings are necessitated by the channel having shifted. Tenders were also received in April for extension of Boobyalla Jetty; viz., constructing new head 28 feet long at end of present jetty, with a deck 60 feet wide, raised 3 feet above the level of the old structure. For this work the tender of Messrs. Adams and Campbell has been accepted, and contract is now in progress.

Expenditure	Nil.
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Falmouth Boat Dock and Jetties at Picaninni Point and Bicheno.

VOTE—£600.

Particulars have been taken and drawings prepared, but works are delayed pending consideration of local proposals for small jetty in lieu of boat dock at Falmouth, and for consideration of alternative sites at Bicheno.

Expenditure	£	s.	d.
	31	7	6

Dunally Jetty.

VOTE—£1500.

Particulars have been taken and drawings made, but work is delayed for consideration of alternative sites proposed.

Expenditure	£	s.	d.
	10	7	0

Impression Bay, Cascades, and Carnarvon Jetties.

VOTE—£1100.

See remarks under previous heading.

Expenditure	£	s.	d.
	3	4	6

Sorell and Lewisham Jetties.

VOTE—£1800.

Particulars have been taken for contract, and works will be advertised as soon as possible.

Expenditure	£	s.	d.
	1	2	6

Rokeby, Muddy Plains, and South Arm Jetties (Ralph's Bay).

VOTE—£700.

Tenders were received in March for erection of Jetties at Rokeby and Muddy Plains, and that of Messrs. W. C. Grubb and Bros. accepted, at £223 12s. 3d. and £161 1s. 3d. Both these contracts have now been completed, but payment of balance has not yet been made pending the usual maintenance by contractors. Amounts paid on account, £212 8s. 9d. and £150. South Arm Jetty at present delayed for consideration of alternative sites suggested.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	413	6	7

Oyster Cove, Peppermint Bay, Bruni Island, Long Bay, Gordon, and Esperance Jetties (D'Entrecasteaux Channel).

VOTE—£1600.

Tenders were received in January for the construction of Jetties at Long Bay, Gordon, and Peppermint Bay, and that of Mr. W. Andrews accepted, as under:—

Long Bay Jetty, £343.

Gordon Jetty, £296.

Peppermint Bay Jetty, £314.

These works are in progress, and an instalment of £200 has been paid on account of jetty at Gordon. Tenders were also received in March for construction of a jetty at Bruni Island, and that of Messrs. W. C. Grubb and Bros., at £160, accepted. This work is in progress, but no payment has yet been made.

Oyster Cove Jetty..... Deferred until proposals for purchase of existing jetty can be submitted for consideration of Parliament.

Esperance Jetty..... Tenders for this work are now invited.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	220	8	7

Hospital Bay Jetty, River Huon.

VOTE—£500.

All purposes are now served by the construction of a jetty here by Mr. O. Geeves. It has been suggested that now the public interests will be best served by a jetty at Shipwrights' Point instead of at Hospital Bay, and this matter is now under consideration.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1	3	0

River Don Breakwater.

VOTE—£500.

The Marine Board has been invited to undertake work for the Department, and to submit proposals for approval.

Expended	Nil.
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Penguin Creek Breakwater.

VOTE—£300.

See remarks under previous heading.

Expended	Nil.
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River Inglis Breakwater.

VOTE—£1000.

No steps yet taken.

Expended	Nil.
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ROAD SURVEYS.

From Mersey Bridge, near Gad's Hill, to Waratah.

VOTE—£500.

This survey has been carried out and completed to River Forth by Mr. Surveyor Chalmers, at a cost to date, including chainman and labourers, of £120 4s. A wire rope and cage have been fixed across the River Forth in line of survey.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	120	4	0

From Waratah, viâ Mount Ramsay, to Heemskirk.

VOTE—£500.

Nothing yet done, the necessary assistance not being available.

Expended Nil.

From Waratah to Corinna and Heemskirk.

VOTE—£500.

This survey has been carried out and completed by Mr. Surveyor Hall; £496 6s. (including labourers' wages, &c.) paid on account.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	496	6	0

From Road between Sheffield and Mount Claude to Oliver's New Country.

VOTE—£200.

Survey has just been completed. Surveyor reports a large tract of good country opened up.

Expended..... Nil.

For Special Roads to open out Crown Lands.

VOTE—£500.

No expenditure yet incurred.

TRACKS.

From Fenton Forest to vicinity of Mount Wedge.

VOTE—£500.

No work yet carried out, as the marking out and selection of line were only completed at the beginning of the winter.

Expended Nil.

From Waratah to Long Plains Gold Field.

VOTE—£3500.

Works on this Road, from Waratah to junction of Track to Specimen Reef, are being carried out by day labour under an overseer on new and permanent line of road lately surveyed, the total amount so expended to date being £462 4s. 10d.

	£	s.	d.
Expended.....	462	4	10

From Long Plains to Corinna.

VOTE—£1500.

Work was deferred pending completion of survey for permanent line of road. This is now completed, and steps will be taken to expend vote during coming summer.

Expended..... Nil.

From Corinna to North Heemskirk.

Awaiting survey, as Surveyor Hall, who carried out the portion from Waratah to Corinna, was unable to continue, owing to the inclemency of the weather.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	24	8	7

From Pieman Heads to Heemskirk.

VOTE—£500.

Arrangements have been made for the necessary survey before work is proceeded with.

Expended..... Nil.

For Mineral Exploration and for emergent works in connection therewith.

VOTE—£3000.

Under this heading the following works have been sanctioned, viz. :—

No. 1. Track from No. 1 Government Hut on Mount Bischoff and Corinna Track in a north north-west direction, skirting the eastern base of Mount Cleveland, and extending beyond the sources of the Hazelwood River. 13½ miles. Contract completed by Messrs. Pearce and Jones at cost of £198 15s.

No. 2. Track from junction of Hazelwood and White Rivers in a north-west direction to the sources of the Savage River. Tender of Messrs. Pearce and Jones, at £15 per mile, accepted, but no payments yet made.

No. 3. Track from eastern base of Mount Agnew to Waterfalls at Heemskirk River, east of North Heemskirk. 12 miles 72 chains. Carried out under contract of Mr. R. H. Carlisle at cost of £154 16s.

No. 4. Track from eastern base of Mount Agnew in direction of Mount Dundas, and from vicinity of Mount Dundas towards sources of the Henty Rivers. Tender of Mr. R. H. Carlisle, at £12 per mile, accepted. Completed, at cost of £202 2s.

The expenditure on these four tracks was authorised on the recommendation of the Government Geologist, Mr. Thureau, to facilitate prospecting for minerals.

Road to Mount Victoria Gold Field.—Expenditure has also been incurred under this vote to the amount to date of £1200, in addition to the amount of £208, referred to under similar vote under "Public Works Construction Act, 1881."

Track from Long Bay (Macquarie Harbour) to King River Gold Field.—Completed at cost of £100 by Mr. G. Meredith.

Track from Clifford's Farm to Mussel Roe River.—Completed by Mr. G. Green, at £60, under supervision of the District Inspector.

Forming new approaches to bridge over Boobyalla Creek.—Tender of W. Cross accepted, at £65. First instalment of £50 paid on account.

Forming Horse-track from Moorina to Gladstone.—Carried out under contract of Messrs. Cross and Dickens, at £193 17s.; £184 3s. 3d. being paid on account.

An expenditure of £500 has also been authorised for forming track to Specimen Reef from Waratah and Corinna Road, being in the proportion of 2 to 1 of amount contributed from private sources. Payment on account of this work has not yet been made, which the Committee are now arranging to have carried out.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1599	8	3

For opening out Crown Lands.

No works yet arranged for.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	2	6	0

For keeping Tracks open generally.

VOTE—£500.

The tender of Messrs. Gaffney and Harvey, at the rate of £60 per annum, for keeping clear track from Waratah to Corinna until the end of the present year, was accepted in June. An amount of £7 7s., for clearing previously performed on the same track, has also been paid to the same parties.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	7	7	0

TELEGRAPHS.

From Oatlands to Tunnack.

VOTE—£400.

Tenders were received in February for constructing this line a distance of 13 miles 4 chains, and that of Messrs. W. C. Grubb and Bros., at £19 per mile, was accepted. This contract has been completed, at a cost of £253 15s., and the balance paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	272	6	10

For clearing Timber on Line from Waratah to Heemskirk, part cost.

VOTE—£1500.

Work has been carried out by men engaged in clearing track, under Overseer Dargaville, to the amount of about £880.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS ERECTION ACT, 1882, 46 VICT. No. 27.

COUNTRY POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES AT NEW NORFOLK, BEACONSFIELD, LEFROY, WEST COAST.

Beaconsfield.

Tenders were received in March for the erection of this building, and that of Mr. G. Walter, at £815 15s. 6d., accepted. This work is in progress, but no payments have yet been made on account.

Lefroy.

Tenders for this work are now invited.

New Norfolk.

Plans have been prepared, but work is for the present deferred, pending arrangements as to site.

West Coast.

No arrangements yet made for the erection of building, as it is contemplated to use part of the building for Commissioner of Mines as a post office.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	10	18	9

ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, HOBART.

Additions to Lands and Works Offices.

VOTE—£3000.

Tenders for the erection of a new wing in Salamanca Place were received in March, and that of Messrs. Duncan and Crow accepted, at £5330, and at schedule prices for excavating, concrete, and rubble masonry. This contract is in progress, and a considerable amount of work has already been done in excavating, filling, and building large retaining wall at rear; but no payment on account has yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	6	4	2

Additional Accommodation for Lands Titles Department, Law Officers of the Crown, Post Office, and temporary provision for Telegraph Department.

Working plans have been completed, and alternative designs prepared and submitted. The final approval of the Government is now invited.

Expended.....	Nil.
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PUBLIC SCHOOLS ERECTION ACT, 1882, 46 VICT. No. 28.

The following works have been arranged by this Department under this heading :—

Constitution Hill.—Tender of W. Ware and Son accepted in November, at £541, for erection of school and residence, and at prices for offices and fencing. Work completed at cost of £633 9s. 6d. Amount paid contractors, £600 9s. 6d.

Lower Piper River.—Tender of Messrs. Phillips and Welling accepted in October, at £452 10s., for erecting school and residence, and at schedule prices for fencing. Contract in progress, and amount of £260 paid to contractors.

Lefroy.—Tender of M. Hunter accepted in April for additions to school building, at £410, and at schedule prices for supplying desks and forms. Contract in progress, and an instalment of £100 paid contractor.

Longford.—Tender of Mr. J. Wright, at £485 6s., accepted for additions to building, in October. Work completed, and balance paid.

Macquarie Plains.—Tender of J. Thurley, at £485, for erection of teacher's residence and additions to school-house, accepted in June. Work in progress, but no payments yet made to contractor.

Montagu.—Tender of Mr. W. S. H. Smith, at £188 10s., has just been accepted for erecting school and residence.

Ravenswood.—Tender of Messrs. Bailey and Ireland, at £480, has just been accepted for erecting school, residence, and out offices.

Ross.—The tender of Mr. G. Ford, at £310 10s., for additions to school building, was accepted in July last, and the work has since been completed, and the balance paid.

Tea Tree.—The tender of James Dunn, at £229, for additions to school building, was accepted in May last, and an instalment of £60 has been paid on account of the work.

Upper Piper.—The tender of Mr. M. Hunter, at £459, for erecting schoolmaster's residence and out-offices, has just been accepted.

Ulverstone.—The tender of Mr. J. P. Dooley, at £495, for erecting new school-house and converting present school into teacher's residence, was accepted in January. The latter part of the work is for the present delayed. Amount paid on account, £260.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	2132	19	4

46 VICT. No. 29.

Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Main Line Railway, near Brighton Station, to Green Ponds and Bothwell, about 40 miles.

VOTE—£800.

This work is well advanced. The incompleted portion between Green Ponds and Bothwell has proved to be very difficult; a route advocated, *viâ* Wetheron, in a generally direct course from Green Ponds, was tried, but had to be abandoned as impracticable. The Surveyor was then forced to go *viâ* the Dennistoun Estate, and work down the ranges, passing not far from Strathbarton House. The country here is very difficult and broken. A traverse survey has also been made for a route *viâ* the Jordan Valley. This and the trial line *viâ* Wetheron will entail some excess.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	628	4	0

Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Main Line Railway, near Bridgwater, to New Norfolk, Hamilton, and Ouse (including Surveys and Estimates for Station Accommodation at Hobart), about 45 miles.

VOTE—£1000.

This work is well advanced, and will be completed, with exception of survey for station accommodation at Hobart, by time Parliament is in Session.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	445	10	0

Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Launceston to Scottsdale, Branzholm, Moorina, Gladstone, and Boobyalla (Ringarooma Port), about 110 miles.

VOTE—£2200.

This survey is well advanced, and will be ready by the time Parliament considers the Public Works proposals. In order to get a line with easier gradients it was found necessary to make a considerable *détour* by way of Mount Direction, Lower Piper, to the Denison Gold Fields; but this line was not adopted until Mr. Climie had spent nearly three weeks in exploring for a more direct line that would pass through the Upper Piper District. The grades, however, were so severe and long that Mr. Climie reported this route as not being reasonably practicable.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1321	13	1

Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Corners Station of Main Line Railway to Avoca, Fingal, and St. Mary's, about 45 miles.

VOTE—£600.

This survey is now complete.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	656	3	6

Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Oatlands Railway Station to Oatlands, 4½ miles.

VOTE—£90.

This work is completed. Alternate lines were surveyed, one on either side of Lake Dulverton.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	75	5	0

Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Railton to Sheffield.

VOTE—£120.

This work is not yet commenced, but it will be put in hand as soon as one of the engineers engaged on other surveys is at liberty, and will be ready soon after meeting of Parliament.

Expended	Nil.
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PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION ACT, 1882, No. 2, 46 VICT. No. 46.

Improvements at Trial Harbour, on the West Coast.

VOTE—£800.

Tenders were received in November for construction of jetty of six 12-foot spans, with a head 22 feet in length, and at shore end a tramway carried inland. For this work the tender of Mr. T. J. Roberts was accepted, at £625, for constructing jetty, and at £12 per bay for tramway. The contract has been completed, at a total cost of £709, and the balance paid. The work has been carried out in a very satisfactory manner, and has stood the test of several severe gales without sustaining any injury. A five-ton crane, crab-winch, and trolley have also been procured from Melbourne, at a cost of £224 7s. 5d., part of which amount will be charged against the vote for improvements at Trial Harbour, under 45 Vict. No. 35.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	800	0	0

Improvements at Granville Harbour, on the West Coast.

VOTE—£500.

An expenditure of about £50 has been incurred for buoys and mooring tackle.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	53	2	

Construction of a Road from Reminé to Heemskirk.

VOTE—£2000.

Works on this road have been completed by day labour, under Mr. Overseer Clay, at a cost of about £1540.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	1540	10	11

Erection of a Bridge over Ringarooma River, south side of Mount Cameron.

VOTE—£300.

Tenders for this work were received in February, and that of Messrs. Adams and Campbell, at £280, accepted. Work is now almost completed, £266 having been paid on account.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	271	1	7

Repairs to Bridge over South Esk River at Fingal.

VOTE—£250.

Tenders for the supply of the necessary round and sawn timber for repairs to bridge were received in April, and that of Mr. H. Chesterman, at £148 10s., accepted. Portion of the timber has been supplied, but no payments have yet been made.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	5	18	1

Erection of a Bridge over the River Nile at Lymington, and making Approaches thereto.

VOTE—£550.

Tenders were invited in March for constructing bridge on site recommended by Road Trust, and forming altered approaches thereto, but no satisfactory offer was received. Subsequently I made an examination of this site, and recommended that it be not adopted, but that the bridge be erected on the site of the present structure. This recommendation was afterwards agreed to by the Trust, and tenders were re-invited for the work, and that of Mr. D. Thomas, at £497, has just been accepted.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	4	10	10

Third Telegraph Line between Hobart and Launceston.

VOTE—£1500.

Work delayed pending consideration of route *via* Main Line Railway and satisfactory arrangements with the Manager.

Expended	Nil.		
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Construction of Tramway over East Bay Neck.

VOTE—£350.

Has been deferred in connection with decision as to site of jetty.

Expended	£	s.	d.
	1	1	0

Erection of a Goods Shed and making other Alterations at the Launceston Station of the Launceston and Western Railway.

VOTE—£5000.

Works are in progress, under the direction of the Manager and Locomotive Superintendent of the Launceston and Western Railway.

Construction of a Road from the termination of the proposed Road from Reminé to Heemskirk, northwards to North Heemskirk and Milne or Granville Harbour, and a Road southwards towards Macquarie Harbour.

VOTE—£4000.

Works on road from Heemskirk to North Heemskirk are being carried out by day labour and piece-work, under Mr. Overseer Clay, the total expenditure to date for wages, tools, and stores being £736 19s.

46 VICT. No. 48.

Improvements to Rivers North Esk and Tamar.

VOTE—£20,000.

Paid on account Mr. Bell's survey, £275 19s. 7d. Mr. Bell's proposals are now under the consideration of the Launceston Marine Board.

Expended	£	s.	d.
	275	19	7

46 VICT. No. 25.

DEFENCES.

Completion of and Alterations to existing Batteries.

VOTE—£6650.

Tenders were received in April for the completion of Kangaroo Bluff Battery, to accommodate an armament of two 8-inch Armstrong guns, and two eighty-pounder guns, for which the tender of Mr. P. Cronly, at £5109 7s. 1d., was accepted. This work is in progress under the supervision of the Staff Officer and of a Clerk of Works in constant attendance. Amount paid on account, £283.

Tenders were also received in April for alterations at Queen's Battery, Hobart, but no satisfactory offer was received, and the works were re-advertised in May, with the same result. Subsequently an arrangement was entered into with Mr. R. B. Wiggins, the only tenderer on either occasion, to carry out portion of the works; viz.—Construction of a shell-proof chamber for electric light, at schedule prices of his former tender, amounting to £440 4s. 6d. This work is now in progress, but no payments have yet been made.

Expended	£	s.	d.
	619	3	2

MERSEY AND DELORAINE RAILWAY ACT, 46 VICT. No. 24.

Particulars as to survey of Line, &c. are given on page 3.

Tenders were invited in December last for supplying about 95,000 sleepers, and that of Mr. C. Dearden accepted, at 1s. 8½d. per sleeper. Some sleepers have been already delivered, but no payments have yet been made.

Tenders were also invited in April last for the supply of the following material:—2400 tons steel rails, 90 tons steel fish-plates, 32 tons Ibbotson's steel fish-bolts, and 80 tons steel spikes, and the tender of Messrs. De Paula, Mackley, and Co., Agents for the Belgian Export Company (Limited), accepted, at the under-mentioned rates:—

Steel rails, fish-plates, and spikes, £7 12s. 9d. per ton at Formby, £7 8s. 9d. per ton at Launceston. Steel fish-bolts, £31 14s. per ton at Formby, £31 10s. per ton at Launceston. Two-thirds of the total quantity is to be delivered at Formby, and the balance at Launceston; and the total cost of material to be supplied under this contract is estimated at about £20,500. No delivery or payments have yet been made.

The necessary plans and drawings, specifications, schedule of quantities, &c. are being prepared, and tenders will be at once invited for the construction of the line from Deloraine to Formby, a distance of 37 miles 15 chains.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	784	10	0

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

Surveys and Estimates in connection with Public Works Proposals.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1100.

A miscellaneous expenditure of £190 3s. 10d. has been incurred under this heading for salaries and expenses of officers, preparation of plans and maps, and reports on proposed public works.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	840	18	6
Since expended	190	3	10
	£1031	2	4

Building for use of Commissioner of Mines, West Coast.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£440.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	415	4	4
Since expended	14	16	5
	£430	0	9

Customs Buildings, Macquarie Harbour.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£175.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	150	5	2
Since expended	10	13	5
	£160	18	7

Cottage Hospital, Launceston.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£272 6s.

The two portable cottage hospitals for infectious diseases, referred to in last return, have been erected on the Hospital grounds, the total cost of purchase and erection being £257 2s. 10d.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	190	18	0
Since expended	71	4	10
	£262	2	10

Erection of Cottage Hospital at Lindisferne Bay.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£950.

The contract of Mr. W. H. Cheverton, referred to in last return, has been completed, at a total cost of £881, and the balance paid.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	408	15	0
Since expended	503	0	0
	<u>£911</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>0</u>

South Esh Bridge, Launceston.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£350.

Tenders were received in July for new flooring to this bridge, and that of Mr. M. Boland, at £294 8s. 6d., accepted. The work has been completed at a cost of £321 18s. 6d., and the balance paid in April.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	9	7	3
Since expended	329	5	6
	<u>£338</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>

Road from Sheffield to Mount Claude.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 1st May, 1882—£300.

A further expenditure of £231 0s. 6d. has been incurred in connection with day labour works referred to in last return. Further particulars of expenditure on this road are given under heading Kentisbury ("Waste Lands Act") and Road Sheffield to Mount Claude ("Branch Roads Construction Act, 1882").

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	68	19	8
Since expended	231	0	6
	<u>£300</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>

Expenses in connection with Examination, Engineering Survey, Preparation of Plans, Reports, &c. upon Ports and Harbours on the Seaboard of the Island of Tasmania.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 22nd May, 1882—£800.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	488	8	7
Since expended	53	8	6
	<u>£541</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>1</u>

Erection of Watch-houses at Trial Harbour and Macquarie Harbour.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 29th May, 1882—£800.

The contract of Mr. T. J. Roberts, referred to in last return, has been completed, and the amount paid, £329 14s.

Tenders were also received in August for the erection of police cells at Strahan, Macquarie Harbour, for which that of Mr. T. J. Roberts, at £172, was accepted. This work is nearly completed, and the amount of £150 has been paid on account of same.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	490	6	6

Alterations at Drill-yard, Lower Macquarie-street.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£700.

The contract of Mr. W. H. Cheverton, referred to in last return, has been completed at a cost of £545 10s., including extra wall and foundation, tank for torpedo cable, &c. Contract was also entered into with Mr. Cheverton in December for fittings at Torpedo Stores, and the work completed at a cost of £82 5s. 8d.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	646	19	6

Erection of Kerosene Stores, Hobart and Launceston.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 2nd October, 1882—£500.

Tenders were received in August for erecting Kerosene Store near Slaughter Yards, Hobart, and that of Mr. W. H. Cheverton, at £278, accepted. The work has since been completed at a cost of £299 12s., including extras, and the amount paid. Tenders for the erection of additional building for storage of kerosene at Launceston were twice invited in June and September, and resulted in that of Messrs. S. Waugh and Sons, at £147 10s., being accepted. This work has also been completed, and amount paid to contractors.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	456	4	0

Repairs to Drill-yard and Parade-grounds.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 3rd March, 1883—£120.

Under this head expenditure to the amount of £113 11s. 6d. has been incurred in gravelling and tarring parade-ground, Launceston, and gravelling, &c. at drill-yard, Hobart.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	113	11	6

Erection of Telegraph Office, Corinna.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 9th April, 1883—£260.

Contract for this work was entered into with Mr. T. J. Roberts in April last, at £230, and the work is now in progress, but no payments have yet been made on account.

Expended	Nil.
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Alterations and Additions at Cascades Asylum for the purposes of a Boys' Reformatory.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 14th May, 1883—£1600.

Tenders for this work were received in March, and that of Mr. R. H. Stabb, Jun., accepted, at £1520. This work is now well advanced; the dormitories are completed with the exception of painting; officers' quarters are roofed and ready for plastering. Amount paid on account, £500.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	503	1	6

Erecting Jetty and Buildings at Quarantine Station, Middle Island, River Tamar.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£1050.

Tenders for this work were invited in June, that of Mr. M. Boland, at £945 10s., being accepted, and this work is now in progress.

Offices for Registrar of Mines, George's Bay.

Authorised by Governor in Council—£200.

Tenders for this work and for additions to police buildings were invited in June, and that of Messrs. Tilley and Briggs, at £360 for both, accepted, the amount chargeable against the above-mentioned provision being estimated at £180. Work is in progress, but no payment yet made.

Expended	Nil.
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Constructing a Boat-landing Stage at the West Tamar Battery Magazine, near Launceston.

Tenders for this work were received in April, and that of Messrs. Gardiner and Plummer, at £212, accepted. This work is in progress, but no payments have yet been made on account of same.

Expended	Nil.
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Road from Orient Tin Mine to Trial Harbour.

Authorised by Governor in Council, 25th August, 1883—£275.

This work was carried out by the Orient Tin Mining Company, a subsidy of £275 being paid by the Government, in the proportion of 2 to 1 of the amount expended by the Company.

	£	s.	d.
Expended	275	0	0

MAINTENANCE OF MAIN ROADS.

DISTRICT.	Approximate Length of Roads.	Rate per Mile.	Provision for year.	Amount expended as per Return of 30th June, 1882.	Amount expended since last Return.	Total expenditure for year.	Particulars of Expenditure, and Remarks.
	MILES.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
	m. c. l.						
Bothwell.							Expenditure to the amount of £118 8s. has been incurred since last return, by day labour, &c. in maintenance of road, under the direction of this Department. In the early part of the present year the Road Trust was communicated with in reference to acting as a Main Road Board, and, having consented to act, was appointed a Board for the District in accordance with the provisions of 45 Vict. No. 29, by Proclamation published in <i>Gazette</i> of the 13th February. Estimate of proposed works has since been submitted by the Board and approved, and arrangements for the expenditure of the funds are now being made. A trifling expenditure on account of the present year has already been incurred through the Department for temporary repairs to road.
1881.....	9 0 0	20	180 0 0	192 9 9	29 16 6	222 6 3	
1882.....	9 0 0	20	180 0 0	92 19 0	86 7 6	179 6 6	
1883.....	9 0 0	25	225 0 0	...	2 4 0	2 4 0	
Campbell Town.							Balance of funds due the Board on account of the year 1882 has been paid. Particulars of works proposed for the present year have also been submitted and approved, but no payments have yet been made.
1882.....	7 35 0	15	111 11 3	55 0 0	53 11 3	108 11 3	
1883.....	7 35 0	15	111 11 3	...	...	...
Carrick.							Payment of balance of funds due Board on account of the year 1882 has been made. The Carrick Road Trust was, by Proclamation in <i>Gazette</i> of the 17th October last, appointed Main Road Board for that portion of road from Carrick to Hadspen in the Westbury Municipality. Particulars of works proposed for the present year have also been submitted and approved, and first advance of £101 16s. 6d. made to meet cost of approved tenders.
1882.....	8 28 0	35	292 5 0	70 0 0	222 5 0	292 5 0	
1883.....	11 51 0	35	407 6 3	...	101 16 6	101 16 6	
Cambridge.							Payment of balance due Board on account of the year 1882 has been made, to meet cost of approved works. Particulars of expenditure for the present year have also been submitted and approved, and amount of £184 16s. 10d. paid on account of same.
1882.....	14 63 0	25	369 13 9	...	369 13 9	369 13 9	
1883.....	14 63 0	25	369 13 9	...	184 16 10	184 16 10	
Deloraine.							Payment of balance of funds for the year 1882 has been made. The amount of £436 2s. has also been paid to meet cost of works during the present year, particulars of which have been submitted and approved.
1882.....	3 6 0	20	458 4 6	115 0 0	343 4 6	458 4 6	
	9 50 0	10					
	15 1 90	20					
1883.....	3 6 0	20	581 9 4	...	436 2 0	436 2 0	
	9 50 0	15					
	15 1 90	25					
Don.							No steps were taken by the Don Board during the year 1882 for the expenditure of funds available for maintenance of road, and on their attention being called to the matter with a view to urgent necessary works being carried out by the Department, the Board declined to act, and was accordingly suspended by Proclamation in <i>Gazette</i> of 9th January last, and arrangements have been made for the maintenance to be carried out by this Department. An expenditure of £18 10s. 6d. has been so incurred on account of the year 1882, and £91 0s. 10d. during the present year.
1882.....	3 60 0	30	112 10 0	...	18 10 6	18 10 6	
1883.....	3 60 0	30	112 10 0	...	91 0 10	91 0 10	
Dorset.							Payment of balance of £220 on account of the year 1881 was made in July last. The amount available for the year 1882 has also been paid to Board to meet cost of approved works. Particulars of proposed expenditure during the present year have also been submitted and approved, and amount of £228 3s. 9d. paid on account of same.
1881.....	16 0 0	20	320 0 0	100 0 0	220 0 0	320 0 0	
1882.....	15 17 0	20	304 5 0	...	304 5 0	304 5 0	
1883.....	15 17 0	30	456 7 6	...	228 3 9	228 3 9	
East Mersey.							An expenditure of £445 13s. 4d. has been incurred since last Return for works by day labour, under the Department; viz.—£61 5s. 5d. on account of the year 1881, £169 8s. 9d. for year 1882, and £214 19s. 2d. during the present year.
1881.....	10 40 0	20	210 0 0	129 18 7	61 5 5	191 4 0	
1882.....	9 78 10	20	199 10 6	27 0 6	169 8 9	196 9 3	
1883.....	2 78 10	25	287 8 2	...	214 19 2	214 19 2	
	7 8 0	30					
Emu Bay.							Payment of balance of £125 2s. has been made on account of the year 1882. Particulars of works proposed during the year 1883 have also been submitted and approved, and amount of £85 1s. paid to Board on account.
1882.....	9 36 0	18	170 2 0	45 0 0	125 2 0	170 2 0	
1883.....	9 36 0	18	170 2 0	...	85 1 0	85 1 0	

Evandale.	m.	c.	l.										
1881.....	12	0	0	20	240	0	0	120	0	0	120	0	0
1882.....	11	20	0	20	225	0	0	...	...	...	225	0	0
1883.....	11	20	0	20	225	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fingal.													
1882.....	45	5	0	15 }	779	3	9	200	0	0	579	3	9
	5	13	0	20 }									
1883.....	45	5	0	15 }	753	7	6	...	...	...	376	13	8
	5	13	0	15 }							376	13	8
Forth.													
1882.....	6	13	0	25	154	1	3	6	17	6	145	0	0
1883.....	6	13	0	25	154	1	3	...	...	...	8	15	2
George Town.													
1882.....	13	54	0	20	273	10	0	...	...	...	276	1	0
1883.....	13	56	0	20	274	0	0	...	...	...	313	0	3
Glamorgan.													
1882.....	17	66	75	15	267	10	4	65	0	0	202	10	4
1883.....	17	66	75	15	267	10	4	...	...	...	133	15	2
Green Ponds.													
1881.....	3	0	0	20	60	0	0	58	13	0	39	13	6
1882.....	3	0	0	20	60	0	0	...	...	...	60	0	0
1883.....	3	0	0	25	75	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hamilton.													
1882.....	11	0	0	15 }	255	0	0	35	7	0	193	17	5
	9	0	0	10 }							229	4	5
1883.....	11	0	0	20 }	320	0	0	...	...	...	141	13	6
	10	0	0	10 }							141	13	6
Harford and Templeton.													
1882.....	5	36	0	15	81	15	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
1833.....	5	0	0	15	75	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Horton.													
1882.....	26	33	50	15	396	5	7	100	0	0	296	5	7
1883.....	26	33	50	15	396	5	7	...	...	...	198	2	9
Huon.													
1882.....	5	0	0	25 }	225	0	0	112	10	0	112	10	0
	5	0	0	20 }							225	0	0
1883.....	5	0	0	25 }	225	0	0	...	...	...	112	10	0
	5	0	0	20 }							112	10	0
Kingston.													
1882.....	13	0	0	15	195	0	0	97	10	0	97	10	0
1883.....	13	1	55	15	195	5	10	...	...	...	97	10	0
Latrobe.													
1882.....	2	40	0	20	50	0	0	25	0	0	25	0	0
	0	35	0	15 }							50	0	0
1883.....	2	72	0	30 }	107	8	9	...	...	...	107	8	9
	0	37	0	30 }							107	8	9
Lcslie.													
1882.....	10	11	0	25	253	8	9	126	14	4	126	14	5
1883.....	10	11	0	25	253	8	9	...	...	...	126	14	4

Payment of balance of funds for the year 1881 was made in August. The amount due the Board for the year 1882 has also been paid to meet cost of approved works. In January of the present year the Municipal Council resigned duties as a Main Road Board, and the Road Trust was appointed a Board for the District by Proclamation published in *Gazette*. Particulars of proposed works for the present year have not yet been received.

Payment of balance of funds, £579 3s. 9d., has been made on account of the year 1882, to meet cost of works referred to in previous Return. Particulars of proposed works for the present year, viz.,—metalling, ditching, repairing, and renewing culverts, &c., have also been received, and the amount of £376 13s. 8d. has been paid to meet cost of same. Guard fencing at St. Mary's Pass has also been renewed by Board, the cost of which was specially provided for in Schedule for the present year (*vide* below); but payment for this work has not yet been made.

Under Commissioner. Works to the extent of £151 17s. 6d. have been carried out since last Return by day labour, &c. against the provision for the year 1882; and these works are still going on against the amount available for the present year.

No steps were taken by the Board for the expenditure of the funds available for the years 1882 and 1883, and on their attention being called to the neglect the Board resigned, and was accordingly suspended by Proclamation in *Gazette* of 9th January last. Works have since been carried out by the Department by day labour, &c. in repairing road, to the extent of £276 1s. against the provision for 1882, and to the amount of £313 0s. 3d. during the present year.

Payment of balance of £202 10s. 4d. has been made on account of the year 1882 to meet cost of works previously sanctioned. Particulars of works for the present year have also been submitted and approved, and the amount of £133 15s. 2d. paid to meet cost of same.

An expenditure of £39 13s. 6d. has been incurred since last Return on account of the year 1881. The amount of funds for the year 1882 has also been expended on general repairs to road by day labour. No expenditure has yet been incurred on account of the present year.

Expenditure by day labour has been continued since last Return to the amount of £193 17s. 5d. against provision for 1882, and £141 13s. 6d. for present year, and this expenditure is still continuing.

Particulars of proposed expenditure on account of the year 1882 were not received until March of the present year. No payments have yet been made on account of same or particulars received for the year 1883.

Payment of balance of funds for the year 1882 has been made to meet cost of approved works. Particulars of expenditure for the present year have also been received, and amount of £198 2s. 9d. paid to meet cost of works.

Payment of balance of £112 10s. has been made on account of the year 1882, and the same amount during the present year, to meet cost of approved works in day labour and general repairs to roads.

Payment of balance of £97 10s. has been made on account of the year 1882. Particulars of necessary works for the present year have also been submitted and approved, and amount of £97 12s. 10d. paid to Board to meet cost of works.

Payment of balance of £25 on account of the year 1881 has been made to meet cost of works carried out by Board by day labour, with the assistance of an Overseer of this Department. These works have also been continued against the provision for the present year, and the amount of funds available, £107 8s. 9d., paid on account of same.

Payment of balance of funds has been made on account of the year 1882, and amount of £126 14s. 4d. during the present year, to meet cost of works carried out, particulars having been previously submitted and approved.

MAINTENANCE OF MAIN ROADS—continued.

DISTRICT.	Approximate Length of Roads.			Rate per Mile.	Provision for year.	Amount expended as per Return of 30th June, 1882.	Amount expended since last Return.	Total expenditure for year.	Particulars of Expenditure, and Remarks.
	m.	c.	l.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Leven.									
1882.....	12	73	0	18	232 8 6	117 14 8	169 16 4	287 11 0	Works by day labour, through the Department, have been continued to the extent of £169 16s. 4d. on account of the year 1882. In January of the present year the Road Trust, previously suspended, resumed functions as a Main Road Board for the District, the necessary Proclamation having been published in <i>Gazette</i> of 9th January. Particulars of works proposed have since been received from the Board and approved, and first advance of £116 4s. 3d. made to meet cost of same.
1883.....	12	73	0	18	232 8 6	...	116 4 3	116 4 3	
Liverpool.									
1882.....	3	40	0	20	70 0 0	...	70 0 0	70 0 0	Amount of funds for the year 1882 has been paid to meet cost of approved works. Particulars for the present year have not yet been received.
1883.....	3	40	0	20	70 0 0	...	..	...
Longley.									
1881.....	7	40	0	25	187 10 0	185 6 10	14 7 6	199 14 4	Since last Return expenditure has been incurred to the amount of £14 7s. 6d. for works carried out by the Department on account of the year 1881, and a similar expenditure of £23 4s. 11d. on account of 1882. Payment of balance of funds for the year 1882, £79 6s. 1d., was made to Board in March of the present year to meet cost of approved works. Particulars of proposed expenditure for the year 1883 have also been received, and amount of £68 16s. paid to meet cost of works, day labour, and general repairs to road.
1882.....	6	60	0	25	168 15 0	66 4 0	102 11 0	168 15 0	
1883.....	6	50	0	20	132 10 0	..	68 16 0	68 16 0	
Longford.									
1882.....	12	0	0	20	240 0 0	...	240 0 0	240 0 0	Payment of amount of funds for the year 1882 was made in September to meet cost of approved works. Particulars for the present year have also been submitted and approved, and amount of funds paid to meet cost of accepted tenders, &c.
1883.....	{ 5 0 0 7 0 0	{ 0 0 0 0 0 0	{ 25 20 }	{ 265 0 0 20 }	{	{ 240 0 0 265 0 0	{ 240 0 0 265 0 0	{ 240 0 0 265 0 0	
New Norfolk.									
1881.....	{ 11 0 0 23 0 0	{ 0 0 0 0 0 0	{ 25 20 }	{ 735 0 0 20 }	{ 745 2 5 ...	{ 38 6 6 ...	{ 783 8 11 ...	{ 783 8 11 ...	Under Commissioner. Since last Return an expenditure of £38 6s. 6d. has been incurred on account of the year 1881, and £717 18s. 10d. on account of the year 1882, by day labour in general road repairs on the different sections. This expenditure is still continuing against the funds for the present year, £33 15s. 11d. having been already so expended.
1882.....	{ 11 50 0 12 40 0 10 0 0	{ 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	{ 25 20 20 }	{ 740 12 6 20 }	{ 22 11 8 ...	{ 717 18 10 ...	{ 740 10 6 ...	{ 740 10 6 ...	
1883.....	{ 11 50 0 12 40 0 10 0 0	{ 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	{ 30 20 30 }	{ 898 15 0 20 }	{	{ 33 15 11 ...	{ 33 15 11 ...	{ 33 15 11 ...	
North Esk.									
1881.....	19	0	0	20	380 0 0	376 16 9	56 13 9	433 10 6	Under Commissioner. Expenditure has been incurred by the Department since last Return, by day labour, &c. in general repairs to road to amount of £56 13s. 9d. on account of the year 1881, £344 14s. on account of 1882, and £351 16s. 1d. during the present year. This expenditure is still continuing.
1882.....	22	60	0	20	455 0 0	99 12 7	344 14 0	444 6 7	
1883.....	{ 19 20 0 3 40 0	{ 0 0 0 0 0 0	{ 20 20 }	{ 455 0 0 20 }	{	{ 351 16 1 ...	{ 351 16 1 ...	{ 351 16 1 ...	
Port Cygnet.									
1881.....	5	40	0	20	110 0 0	60 0 0	50 0 0	110 0 0	Payment of balance on account of the year 1881 was made in December last, also amount to meet cost of works carried out during the year 1882, after long delay caused by the non-action of the Board and the unsatisfactory manner in which works were carried out after attention was called to the matter. No particulars for the present year have yet been received.
1882.....	5	73	0	20	118 5 0	...	118 5 0	118 5 0	
1883.....	5	73	0	20	118 5 0	...	...	...
Portland.									
1882.....	11	36	0	20	229 0 0	...	229 0 0	229 0 0	Payment of amount of funds for the year 1882 has been made to meet cost of approved works. Particulars of proposed expenditure for the present year have also been submitted and approved, and amount of £85 17s. 6d. paid to Board to meet cost of works.
1883.....	11	36	0	15	171 15 0	...	85 17 6	85 17 6	
Queenborough.									
1882.....	9	0	0	30	270 0 0	135 0 0	135 0 0	270 0 0	Balance of funds for the year 1882 has been paid to Board. Particulars for the present year have also been received and approved, and first instalment of £157 10s. paid on account of same.
1883.....	9	0	0	35	315 0 0	...	157 10 0	157 10 0	

MAINTENANCE OF MAIN ROADS—continued.

SPECIAL ITEMS.

DISTRICT.	Approximate Length of Roads.	Rate per Mile.	Provision for year.	Amount expended as per Return of 30th June, 1882.	Amount expended since last Return.	Total expenditure for Year.	Particulars of Expenditure, and Remarks.
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Painting and repairs, New Norfolk Bridge	75 0 0	...	...	...	Work has been carried out by the Department by day labour.
Painting and repairs, Ouse Bridge	30 0 0	...	...	...	Expenditure not yet arranged for.
Painting and repairs, Searl's Corners Bridge	20 0 0	...	...	...	Ditto.
Painting and repairs, Huon Bridge	50 0 0	...	...	49 17 11	Tenders for this work were received in March last, that of Mr. T. Stanton, at £49, accepted. Work has been completed and the amount paid.
Painting and repairs, Deloraine Bridge	100 0 0	...	...	...	Examination of the bridge was made by an Officer of this Department, when it was found that extensive repairs were necessary, consisting of new deck, &c. and the work has been deferred pending decision of Parliament on the item of £300 for this work in the scheme of proposed public works.
Painting and repairs, Mersey Bridge and Floodways, and repairs to Approaches.	100 0 0	...	...	4 5 6	Work has been carried out by day labour under an Officer of this Department.
Painting and repairs, Cam Bridge	25 0 0	...	...	...	The necessary work is being arranged for by the Sub-Board appointed for the purpose by the Table Cape and Emu Bay Main Road Boards.
Guard-fencing, St. Mary's Pass	100 0 0	...	...	...	Work has been carried out by the Fingal Main Road Board, but payment has not yet been made.
Bridgewater Bridge, new Piles and repairs	500 0 0	...	...	0 6 11	Tenders for the supply of the round and sawn timber required were received in March, and that of Mr. W. H. Cheverton accepted, at £105. Portion of this timber has been supplied, and the necessary repairs are being carried out by day labour, under an overseer.
Sorell Causeway, building stone slopes	1000 0 0	...	...	86 6 11	Tenders for this work were invited in January and March last, but none were received, and the work is now being carried out by the Department by day labour under an Overseer. The amount of £152 5s. 1d. has been paid by the Sorell Main Road Board towards cost of these works, as referred to under particulars of expenditure of that Board given above.
Total Expenditure since last Return.....					17,434 8 0	140 17 3	

NOTE.—Expenditure in Bothwell District, given above, should be £58 8s.; the expenditure for 1882 being £26 7s. 6d., not £26 7s. 6d., as stated, and the total expenditure for that year, £119 6s. 6d.

SUMMARY.

TOTAL Expenditure since last Return, under the Provisions of "Main Roads Act."

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Advances to Boards	10,996	11	11			
Expenditure by Department in Districts where Boards have failed or refused to act	3588	10	2			
Road, Hobart to Launceston.....	2849	5	11			
Special Items	140	17	3			
				17,575	5	3
Surveys, Supervision, Erecting Mile Marks, Contingencies, &c. ....	..			404	16	8
Liabilities under Sect. 60 Main Roads Act .....	..			447	8	10
TOTAL .....	..			£18,427	10	9
Repayment to Latrobe Road Trust under Sect. 12 of "The Main Roads Act," provided for by Supplementary Estimate ..				£300	0	0

ORDINARY EXPENDITURE incurred during the Year ending 30th June, 1883, through Public Works Department for Repairs to Buildings and other works against amounts provided in Estimates for that year, or authorised by the Governor in Council for these services.

<i>Heads of Service.</i>	<i>Amount expended.</i>	<i>Particulars of Expenditure.</i>
	£ s. d.	
Maintenance of Government House	786 19 0	Through this Department only ; for sundry repairs to building, drains, fences, &c. and materials supplied.
Maintenance of Telegraph Lines throughout Colony.....	2655 1 4	Contracts for maintenance of several lines throughout the Island ; supply of new poles, materials, and sundry repairs ; salary and expenses of Inspecting Officer, &c.
Pauper Establishments, Hobart and Launceston	637 7 3	Sundry repairs to buildings ; supply of materials, &c.; also supply of pauper coffins, and interments.
General Hospital, Hobart and Launceston.....	864 0 8	Ditto.
Hospital for Insane, New Norfolk.....	275 6 9	Ditto.
Ditto, Cascades.....	65 7 2	Ditto.
Furniture, Public Offices generally	1182 14 8	Furniture, and repairs to furniture for Public Offices and Court-houses throughout the Island.
Repairs to roads and fences, Queen's Domain, and maintenance of Franklin Square.....	442 2 5	Wages of man in charge of Franklin Square, sundry repairs to roads and fences, fixing seats, and other improvements in Domain.
Police Buildings—Construction of and repairs.....	605 12 8	Erection of small stations, repairs to stations, and furniture [for same.
Gaols—Alterations and repairs	228 1 10	Sundry repairs and materials, Hobart and Launceston ; also supply of coffins, and interments
Public Buildings—Alterations and repairs.....	2361 4 5	Additions, alterations, and repairs generally to Public Buildings throughout the Island.
Parliamentary Buildings—repairs and furniture	294 3 11	Sundry repairs to buildings ; new furniture, &c.
Public Schools	1695 7 0	Additions and repairs to school buildings.
Departmental—Salaries, expenses, and allowances.....	3174 8 6	Salaries, expenses, and allowances of officers on fixed establishment.
Aid to Ferries	250 0 0	Aid to Kangaroo Point and Arthur River Ferries.
Maintenance of Batteries	199 15 2	Repairs and alterations to Queen's Battery, repairs at Alexandra Battery, &c.
Expenses in connection with Commodore's residence	118 16 9	Repairs and alterations to building, and furniture supplied.
Fencing and improvements, Barrack Square.....	406 15 6	Fencing, seats supplied, and improvements effected to Barrack Reserve.
New Town Farm—Repairs to buildings	34 10 6	Sundry repairs and alterations to farm buildings.
Expenses in connection with Magazines	85 3 10	Contract for repairs to West Tamar Battery Magazine, and [sundry repairs.
Lands and Works Department.....	137 10 0	Advertising, incidental expenses, instruments, stationery and stores, contingencies, &c.
Extension of Telephonic communication	91 17 11	Erecting lines, supplying poles, &c.
Telegraph Office, Hobart—Alterations and repairs.....	424 15 0	Additions and repairs to building.
Erecting Pillar Letter Boxes, Hobart and Launceston.....	19 10 10	Erecting Letter Boxes, and sundry repairs thereto.
Rent of Offices, &c.	75 0 0	Rent of premises in Davey-street, Hobart, for offices of Engineer of Roads, Inspector of Roads, South Side, and Clerk of Works ; also premises in Launceston for Public Works Office ; rent of Lindisferne Bay quarantine station.
Gratuities	60 0 0	Gratuity to Thos. Cook for length of service as roadman, and to Geo. Newitt for loss of time caused by injuries received while repairing telegraph line.

<i>Heads of Service.</i>	<i>Amount expended.</i>	<i>Particulars of expenditure.</i>
	<i>£ s. d.</i>	
Erection of Weighbridges	176 7 1	Cost of two weighbridges for Hobart Customs Department, and one for Launceston, including erection.
Miscellaneous	208 13 0	Sundry small repairs to various buildings; repairs to drains and embankments, Launceston Swamp; repairs and fencing Rifle Range, Launceston; erecting fence, Meteorological Department; expenses in connection with Royal Commission on Lunatic Asylums; half cost of asphaltting footpaths near Custom House, Launceston, &c.
Railway Enquiry Board	400 0 0	Advance to Board to meet cost of expenses incurred in connection with enquiry as to proposed railway.
Compensation for land, Post and Telegraph Offices, Beaconsfield....	176 4 0	Amounts paid as compensation to owners of property taken as site for new building.
Machinery Suspense Account.....	1020 14 4	Advance to Engineer-in-Chief to meet cost of stone-crushers, new water-cart for crusher. To be provided for hereafter.
	19,153 11 6	

EXPENDED as per Return of 30th June, 1882, under Public Works Acts, as stated..

£ s. d. £ s. d.
.. 392,781 7 4

Since expended, as per Report :—

41 Vict. No. 10—

Road, Elizabeth Town to Latrobe	174 12 6	
Road, Latrobe to Leven	0 11 6	
Road, Leven to Castra	75 0 0	
West Castra Road	44 0 3	
Road from George Town to Mount Direction, <i>via</i> Nine Mile Springs	4 0 0	
Road from Bridport to Scottsdale	6 6 0	
Road from Sorell to Eagle Hawk Neck	64 3 8	
Road from Victoria to Port Cygnet	3 3 0	
Road from Bridgewater to Dromedary	5 12 0	
Bridge over Russell's Falls River	1 10 0	
Erection of a Jetty at Swansea	6 1 8	
Erection of Telegraph, George's Bay to Moorina	44 9 8	
		429 10 3

44 Vict. No. 31—

Road from Elizabeth Town to Creek crossing, Gilbert-street, Latrobe	164 7 5
Road from Ballahoo Creek, near Latrobe, to River Don	3 0 0
Road from River Forth to Ulverstone at Slabbed Road	582 0 9
Road from Leven Bridge to Burnie at Tramway crossing	254 19 11
Road from River Cam to River Inglis	3 11 4
Road from Dean's, at Boat Harbour Settlement, to Detention River	555 2 6
Road from Detention River to Circular Head	233 4 0
Road from Torquay to Main Road, near Latrobe	0 8 2
Road from Mount Direction, <i>via</i> Nine Mile Springs, to George Town	200 9 9
Road from North Esk River to Lisle Road	3 19 0
Lisle Road to Tucker's Corners at Scottsdale	774 0 0
From School House at Cambridge to Richmond	4 0 0
From Richmond to Stokell's Hill, <i>via</i> Searle's Bridge	0 8 0
Through Flats at Runnymede and on to Buckland	245 4 0
Road from Buckland to Orford	116 6 9
Road from Orford to Spring Bay	573 3 0
Road from Spring Bay to Little Swanport Bridge	391 14 0
Road from Little Swanport Bridge to Swansea	332 14 0
Road through Mr. Steele's property to Scamander Bridge	227 6 0
Road Black Fish Creek Bridge to River Huon	1 2 0
Road over Balfe's Hill and on to Jetty at Port Cygnet	354 12 7
Road, Bridgewater to New Norfolk	0 18 0
Road, New Norfolk to Glenora	9 6 9
Road, Hamilton to Ouse	402 4 11
Road from end of New Deviation at Thornhill towards Carlton	304 17 6
Bridge over Gilbert-street, Latrobe	138 2 11
River, Forth Bridge and approaches	35 6 0
Bridge over River Emu and approach roads	379 3 2
Bridge over Camp Creek at Wynyard and Causeway	635 7 7
Bridge and Causeway over Creek at George Town	53 12 6
Hobblers Bridge over North Esk River, near Launceston	561 19 3
Bridge over Nelson's Creek	58 15 3
Lisdillon Bridge	281 6 1
Bridge over North-West Bay River at Margate	410 15 0
Bridge at Jason's Gates, George's Bay	857 2 11

8970 11 0

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
44 Vict. No. 32—						
Jetty at Circular Head and Extension.....	27	14	6			
Telegraph, Launceston to Beaconsfield	198	17	9			
Telegraph, Latrobe to Sheffield	86	18	2			
Telegraph, Sorell to Dunally.....	150	11	7			
				464	2	0
44 Vict. No. 33—						
Additions and alterations, General Hospital, Hobart.....	5053	3	8			
Additions and alterations, General Hospital, Launceston.....	3166	16	4			
Erection of new Watch-house at Latrobe	22	11	7			
Erection of Court-house, Scottsdale	92	19	8			
Erection of Court-house, Franklin	28	13	7			
				8364	4	10
45 Vict. No. 4—						
Telegraph, Launceston, <i>viâ</i> Lefroy, Back Creek, Bridport, and Waterhouse, to Gladstone and Moorina, with branch from Bridport to Scottsdale, Branxholm, and Upper Ringarooma.....	2268	15	3			
Telegraph, Waratah to Corinna, Heemskirk, and Macquarie Harbour	2062	3	10			
Improvements, Embankments, and Drains, Launceston Swamp.....	1	15	0			
Improvement of Track, Waratah to Corinna	769	18	5			
Ditto, Corinna, <i>viâ</i> Heemskirk, to Macquarie Harbour	418	12	7			
Cutting Leading Tracks and for emergent works to facilitate exploration for Minerals.....	2080	3	6			
Surveys and Tracks for opening out Crown Lands for Agricultural Selections...	72	12	0			
				7674	0	7
45 Vict. No. 26—						
Invalid Dépôt, Launceston.....	..			1572	0	3
45 Vict. No. 28—						
Additions to Government Printing Office, Hobart.....	572	13	4			
Completion of General Hospital, Hobart, and erection of new buildings in connection therewith	388	10	9			
Erection of Police Buildings, Beaconsfield, Waratah, Portland, Ringarooma, George Town, North-West Bay	1293	17	6			
Erection of Post and Telegraph Office, Deloraine	621	8	11			
Erection of Post and Telegraph Office, Latrobe	753	8	8			
Erection of Post and Telegraph Office, Waratah.....	564	7	1			
Completion of Landing Waiter's Office, Launceston	96	5	0			
Erection of a Court-house at Beaconsfield.	307	17	7			
Erecting additional buildings to Court House, Ulverstone.....	111	10	0			
				4709	18	10
45 Vict. No. 30—						
Roads—						
Latrobe Creek to River Don	143	7	9			
River Don to River Forth	92	8	1			
Through Town of Ulverstone ..	157	17	6			
River Leven to River Blythe	79	18	4			
River Blythe to River Emu	131	3	0			
Emu Bay to Table Cape	118	5	2			
Launceston to Scottsdale ..	2746	14	2			
Scottsdale to Bridport	694	1	4			
Willis' Corners to George's Bay	154	15	0			
Scamander River to Boggy Creek, near George's Bay.....	109	3	0			
Richmond to Swansea	894	6	8			
Construction of a Bridge, with improved approaches, over Brown's River at Kingston.....	424	7	8			
				5746	7	8
45 Vict. No. 31—						
From proposed Bridge over Meander River near Cheshunt through Settlement to Crown Lands	12	0	4			
From Mole Creek near Chudleigh westward through Crown Lands to River Mersey	1396	18	8			
From High-street, Launceston, to Main Road from Hobart to Launceston at the Sandhill	6	6	0			
From Evandale to Settlements at Blessington	13	9	8			
From Deloraine to Parkham Crown Lands	20	6	2			
Parkham Road, from Main Road at Rubicon River, Elizabeth Town, through Settlement	247	14	2			
Dunorlan Road, from Main Road near Elizabeth Town to Dynan's Ford	204	1	4			
From Sheffield northward along Barrington Road to junction with Nook Road..	2771	8	3			
From junction of Barrington and Nook Roads to Tarleton	18	11	11			
From junction of Barrington and Nook Roads southwards to Nook Settlement..	983	17	10			
Latrobe and Green's Creek (direct road)....	22	19	8			
Skelbrook Road at Sassafiras	270	0	1			
From Railton Station to Sheffield	1364	5	11			
From Sheffield to Back Settlements (Promised Land)	860	1	0			
From Hamilton-on-Forth to proposed Bridge over River Wilmot at Alma.....	129	14	7			
From River Wilmot at Alma, southwards to Crown Lands	327	12	3			
From Hamilton-on-Forth to Kindred Plains	641	18	7			
From Ulverstone to East Castra; viz., metalling slabbed portion	1851	2	10			
From Ulverstone to East Castra; viz., extension to G. A. Fulton's Lot	1062	19	8			
From Ulverstone to East Castra; viz., branch from T. M'Donald's Lot through Dooley's Plains to Gunn's Plains	528	17	6			
From Ulverstone to West Castra	971	15	5			
From Penguin Creek southwards along Pine Road (Hall's survey).....	1060	13	5			
From Heybridge southwards along Blythe Road	443	15	0			

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
From Wyvenhoe southwards on Stowport Road	447	7	9			
From Burnie (Emu Bay) to Rouse's Camp near Waratah (Mount Bischoff)	1322	4	5			
From Main Road near Table Cape to Mount Hicks	1357	1	6			
From end of metalling on Flowersdale Road extending through Settlement	957	0	8			
Calder Road, Table Cape	449	7	10			
South (Forest) Road, Circular Head	1352	11	5			
From South Road, Circular Head, eastward into Crown Lands	276	12	1			
From Smithton (Duck River) to Irish Town	570	15	0			
From Smithton (Duck River) to Montagu, including Bridge over Duck River ..	626	1	5			
From Montagu Jetty to Settlement	267	5	8			
From Main Road at Rocher's Lane, on Piper's River Road, to Bridge over Piper's River (Hall's Track)	817	0	5			
From Bridge over Piper's River northward through Settlement (Hall's Track)	11	2	5			
From the Finger-post on Piper's River Road to Turner's Marsh Settlement	4	10	6			
From Turner's Marsh to Alford, Lower Piper's Settlement (Rowley's Hill)	2	8	0			
From Alford, Lower Piper's Settlement, to George Town Road	263	14	3			
From Back Creek to Lefroy	5	6	0			
From Scottsdale to Upper Ringarooma	2457	10	6			
From Scottsdale to Gladstone	295	16	1			
From Main Road at Springfield through Settlement of Springfield to junction with Main Road from Scottsdale to Bridport	935	19	8			
From Main Road at Springfield <i>via</i> Parr's Plains to Road from Scottsdale to Upper Ringarooma	15	7	0			
From Moorina Road near Ringarooma Port, to Gladstone	1014	5	0			
From Ringarooma Port to Moorina	1499	16	3			
From Branhholm to Moorina	1483	3	6			
From Moorina to Weldborough	563	10	11			
From Scottsdale and Upper Ringarooma Road to Branhholm (Branhholm Lane)	985	2	0			
From Gould's Country (Lower Junction) to Weldborough	1812	7	1			
From Slabbed Road, Gould's Country, through Settlements on Upper George's River	230	9	10			
From Swansea to Avoca	170	10	3			
From Brighton to Railway Station	420	9	7			
From Tunnack to Jericho Railway Station	679	16	9			
From Jericho and Eastern Marshes Road to Settlement and Crown Lands at Back Bluff, Tunnack	80	0	0			
From Road to Dry Creek Settlement extending into Crown Lands	119	13	11			
From Main Road near New Norfolk to junction with Road to Collins' Cap (Sorell Creek Road)	269	2	0			
From Main Road at <i>Berriedale Inn</i> , near Hobart, to Settlement at head of Sorell Creek	159	15	0			
Sandy Bay Beach Road and Causeway	442	11	3			
Sandy Bay Rivulet to Ridgeway	434	5	0			
From Kingston (Brown's River) to Leslie	12	12	0			
From Main Road near Leslie to Sandfly Settlements	670	5	7			
From Victoria to Upper Huon Settlements	113	0	6			
From Port Cygnet to Wattle Grove	224	14	10			
Port Cygnet to junction with Road to Gardner's Bay	476	13	0			
Junction with Road to Gardner's Bay to Nicholl's Rivulet Settlement	525	16	11			
From Oyster Cove to Three Hut Point	295	8	6			
From Main Road at Huon Bridge to Settlement at She Oak Hills	739	4	6			
From Main Road near Franklin to Settlements on Swamp Road	378	1	8			
Honeywood to Flight's Bay	980	8	1			
From Flight's Bay to Port Esperance	506	5	0			
From Port Esperance to Southport	133	10	0			
From Upper Carlton, at Carlton River, to Ragged Tier West	1721	9	11			
From Ragged Tier East to Dunally, East Bay Neck, including Bender's Bridge	435	19	9			
From Dunally, East Bay Neck, to Eagle Hawk Neck and Carnarvon	491	9	6			
From Eagle Hawk Neck to Settlement at Saltwater River	417	19	10			
Bridge over Meander River near Cheshunt	289	13	8			
Bridge over Meander River near Exton	540	15	4			
Bridge over Meander River at Egmont	588	7	0			
Bridge over Meander River at M'Kinnon's	256	13	6			
Bridge over Mersey River near Gad's Hill	511	4	4			
Bridge over Mersey River near Dynan's Ford	46	16	10			
Bridge over Mersey River near Kimberley's Ford	10	10	0			
Bridge over Wilnot River at Alma	631	1	5			
Bridge over Waratah River near Mount Bischoff	900	6	2			
Bridging Streams and improving Track on Road, Circular Head <i>via</i> Montagu to Corinna	190	12	3			
Bridge over South Esk River near Dan's Rivulet	4	12	11			
Bridge over Clyde at Bothwell	3	10	8			
Bridge over Shannon (on Road to Lake Country)	3	6	0			
Bridge over Nive River (Road to Lake Country)	215	0	11			
Bridge over Ouse River (on Road to Lake Country), <i>via</i> Tunbridge	6	19	6			
Bridge over Jordan at Old Beach, Bridgewater	232	12	0			
Bridge over Carlton at Upper Carlton	497	11	4			
Dunrobin Bridge Approaches	695	8	9			
Bridge over Lachlan River (Lachlan Road)	107	2	8			
Bridge over Mountain River at Victoria	621	9	1			
Bridges over Great and Little Henty Rivers (West Coast)	25	8	8			
Bridge over Coal River (Runney's Hut)	426	14	8			

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
45 Vict. No. 32—						
Road from Dixon's Point (West Tamar Road) to Beaconsfield	934	17	1			
Road from Beaconsfield to new Jetty at Beauty Point	1153	4	10			
New Jetty at Beauty Point	229	0	4			
				2317	2	3
45 Vict. No. 35—						
Improving means of communication between Macquarie Harbour, Trial Harbour, and Mount Heemskirk, on the West Coast, including Survey	1483	17	1			
Improvements at Trial Harbour on West Coast	202	12	9			
Erection of a Jetty at Macquarie Harbour, West Coast	70	11	11			
				1757	1	9
46 Vict. No. 22—						
Mersey and Deloraine Railway	784	10	0			
				784	10	0
46 Vict. No. 23—						
Road, Emu Bay to Wynyard	365	17	3			
Road, Wynyard to River Inglis	746	12	3			
Road, Mount Direction to Lefroy	925	1	9			
Road, Lefroy to George Town	586	2	9			
Road, Launceston to Scottsdale	935	4	2			
Deviation or improvements at Rocky Hills near Lisdillon	10	8	6			
Widening Road through Paradise	223	8	5			
Huon Bridge to Franklin	108	14	0			
Franklin to Castle Forbes Bay	3	1	0			
Huon Bridge to Port Cygnet	48	5	6			
Sorell to Carlton	13	0	6			
Bridge over River Leven	1	19	1			
Two Bridges over Sorell Creek, New Norfolk Road	101	14	8			
				4089	9	10
46 Vict. No. 24—						
Quamby Brook Road	6	3	6			
Quamby Bluff Road from School-house southwards	1	13	8			
From Chudleigh and Mole Creek Road, at Lot 1198, southwards through Mole Creek Settlement	6	15	9			
West Tamar and Green's Creek Road	7	17	9			
Road, West Tamar, from Dixon's Point to Beaconsfield	1103	6	9			
From Settlement near Kelly's Look-out direct to Beaconsfield	289	4	1			
Moriarty Road (Green's Creek end)	5	16	6			
From Egmont Bridge over River Meander to New Settlements and Crown Lands in Marland <i>via</i> Brumby's Creek and Black Sugar-loaf	11	4	6			
From Dynan's Bridge over River Mersey through Crown Lands to Sheffield	2	5	0			
From Railton and Sheffield Roads near Dick Low's Bridge, southwards through Settlements	245	18	8			
From Sheffield to Mount Claude	1110	9	6			
East Castra Road, additional metalling in lieu of slabbing	755	14	4			
Old Gawler Road, from North Motton Road near Ulverstone to East Castra Road	15	10	6			
Nine Mile Road (Heybridge)	341	8	9			
From Pine Road <i>via</i> Sulphur Creek to River Blythe	232	10	10			
Zigzag Road (Sulphur Creek)	8	7	8			
From end of West Castra Road at Town of Leven to and through selections on Gunn's Plains	2	11	3			
Sheffield to Nook	14	4	4			
Moreville Road, Emu Bay	755	17	1			
Mount Hicks Road, near Wynyard	29	8	6			
South Road, Circular Head	417	10	2			
Waratah to Rouse's Camp	947	6	6			
Dorset River Bridge, near Fry's, to Cross Roads, and southwards to selections	12	18	0			
From Lower Junction, Gould's Country, to Weldborough, including widening near Lower Junction and deviation at Crystal Creek	81	14	5			
Branxholm Lane	230	9	7			
Moorina to Boobyalla (Ringarooma Port)	1	1	0			
Scottsdale to Upper Ringarooma, and including earthworks to replace old Bridges	326	1	6			
Branxholm to Brothers' Home and Moorina	21	0	0			
From Swansea to Campbell Town	100	0	0			
From Rokeby to Muddy Plains; viz.—Causeway across Ralph's Bay	0	11	6			
From Richmond to Jerusalem <i>via</i> Campania Station of Main Line Railway; viz.—deviation at Campania Railway Station	208	17	3			
From Sorell Creek Bridge at German Town to Selections at Collins' Cap	0	12	6			
Native Tier Road, Glenora	0	19	5			
Allen's Rivulet Road, Leslie	201	8	11			
From Woodstock to Sandfly Settlements	173	11	9			
Agnes Rivulet Road (Port Cygnet), metalling in lieu of slabbing	1	10	10			
From Lymington to Main Road at Port Cygnet Jetty	1	2	0			
Gardner's Creek Road; viz.—Settlement to shipping-place	1	10	7			
From Castle Forbes Bay to Settlement	23	8	3			
Arve Road, Honeywood	1	15	11			
Kermadie Valley Road	2	1	6			
Scott's Rivulet Road, Geeves Town	2	2	8			
From She Oak Hills Road, Huon Valley, to Settlements on top of Tier	123	2	0			
Orielton Road, Sorell	10	11	0			
From Bridge over Carlton River at Upper Carlton to end of Main Road from Sorell at junction of Road to Upper Carlton, Lower Carlton, and Lewisham	121	6	3			

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Ragged Tier, west to shipping-place at East Bay Neck; viz.—from Moorabool Road through Town of Copping.....	2	16	0			
Bridge over River Nile at Lillybourne	6	9	0			
Bridge over South Esk, near Avoca	1	9	1			
Bridge over George's River at George's Bay	1	7	2			
Bridges over Blacksmith's Creek and Caroline Creek on Road Latrobe to Sheffield	212	12	5			
Bridge over River Don at North Barrington	6	9	10			
Bridging Streams and improving Track on Road Circular Head <i>via</i> Montagu to Pieman River	75	9	8			
Bridges over Garden Creek, Deep Bay Creek, and Garden Island Creek, on Coast Road from Gordon to Port Cygnet	32	19	6			
				8298	15	1
46 Vict. No. 25—						
Completion of and Alterations to existing Batteries	619	3	2			
Armament for Batteries and Topedo Boats	12	12	6			
				631	15	8
46 Vict. No. 26—						
Emu Bay Jetty (conditionally upon an equal amount being provided from local sources)	19	6	0			
Montagu Jetty and Stanley Wharf	4	6	8			
Falmouth Boat Dock and Jetties at Picaninni Point and Bicheno	31	7	6			
Dunally Jetty	10	7	0			
Impression Bay, Cascades, and Carnarvon Jetties	3	4	6			
Sorell and Lewisham Jetties	1	2	6			
Rokeby, Muddy Plains, and South Arm Jetties (Ralph's Bay)	413	6	7			
Oyster Cove, Peppermint Bay, Bruni Island, Long Bay, Gordon, and Esperance Jetties (D'Entrecasteaux Channel)	220	8	7			
Hospital Bay Jetty, River Huon	1	3	0			
Road Survey from Mersey Bridge near Gad's Hill to Waratah	120	4	0			
Road Survey from Waratah to Corinna, Heemskirk	496	6	0			
Track from Waratah to Long Plains Gold Field	462	4	10			
From Corinna to North Heemskirk	24	8	7			
For Mineral Exploration and for emergent works in connection therewith	1599	8	3			
For opening out Crown Lands	0	2	6			
For keeping Tracks open generally	7	7	0			
Telegraph from Oatlands to Tunnack	272	6	10			
				3687	0	4
46 Vict. No. 27—						
Country Post and Telegraph Offices at New Norfolk, Beaconsfield, Lefroy, and West Coast	10	18	9			
Additions to Lands and Works Offices	6	4	2			
				17	2	11
46 Vict. No. 28—						
Erection of Public Schools; viz.—						
Constitution Hill	600	9	6			
Lower Piper's River	260	0	0			
Lefroy	100	0	0			
Longford	485	6	0			
Ross	310	10	0			
Swansea	116	13	10			
Ulverstone	260	0	0			
				2132	19	4
46 Vict. No. 29—						
Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Launceston to Scottsdale, Branxholm, Moorina, Gladstone, and Boobyalla (Ringarooma Port)	1321	13	1			
Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Corners Station of Main Line Railway to Avoca, Fingal, and St. Mary's	656	3	6			
Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Main Line Railway near Brighton Station, to Green Ponds and Bothwell	628	4	0			
Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Main Line Railway near Bridgewater, to New Norfolk, Hamilton, and Ouse, including Surveys and Estimates for Station Accommodation at Hobart	445	10	0			
Parliamentary Survey and Estimate for Railway from Oatlands Railway Station to Oatlands	75	5	0			
				3126	15	7
46 Vict. No. 46—						
Improvements at Trial Harbour, West Coast	800	0	0			
Improvements at Granville Harbour, West Coast	53	2	8			
Construction of a Road Reminé to Heemskirk	1540	10	11			
Erection of a Bridge over Ringarooma River, south side of Mount Cameron	271	1	7			
Repairs to Bridge over South Esk at Fingal	5	18	1			
Erection of a Bridge over the River Nile at Lymington, and making approaches thereto	4	10	10			
Construction of a Tramway over East Bay Neck	1	1	0			
Construction of a Road from the termination of the proposed Road from Reminé to Heemskirk northwards towards North Heemskirk and Milne or Granville Harbour, and a Road southwards towards Macquarie Harbour	736	19	0			
				3413	4	1
46 Vict. No. 48—						
Improvements Rivers North Esk and Tamar				275	19	7
				£121,562	0	3

EXPENDITURE incurred for urgent works under authorities of the Governor in Council, and subsequently provided for by Supplementary Estimate.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return, 30th June, 1882				12,289	4	9
Surveys and Estimates in connection with Public Works proposals	190	3	10			
Building for use of Commissioner of Mines, West Coast	14	16	5			
Customs Buildings, Macquarie Harbour	10	13	5			
Cottage Hospital, Launceston	71	4	10			
Erection of Cottage Hospital at Lindisferne Bay	503	0	0			
South Esk Bridge, Launceston	329	5	6			
Road from Sheffield to Mount Claude	231	0	6			
Surveys, &c., Ports and Harbours of Tasmania	53	8	6			
Erection of Watch-houses at Trial Harbour and Macquarie Harbour	490	6	6			
Alteration at Drill-yard, Lower Macquarie-street	646	19	6			
Erection of Kerosene Stores, Hobart and Launceston	456	4	0			
Repairs to Drill-yard and Parade-grounds	113	11	6			
Alterations and additions at Cascades Asylum for the purposes of a Boys' Reformatory	503	1	6			
Road from Orient Tin Mine to Trial Harbour	275	0	0			
Lighting South Esk Bridge	2	4	9			
				3891	0	9
				£16,180	5	6

SUMMARY of Total Expenditure for Year ending 30th June, 1883.

	£	s.	d.
Under Public Works Acts	121,562	0	3
Under Waste Lands Acts	6155	8	2
Under special authorities of the Governor in Council to be provided by Supplementary Estimates ..	3891	0	9
Under Main Roads Acts	18,427	10	9
Ordinary Services	19,153	11	6
	£169,189	11	5

SUMMARY of Total Expenditure to 30th June, 1883, under the following Acts, commencing from the Public Works Act of 1865.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Under 29 Vict. Nos. 1 and 2	61,350	14	0			
Sorell Causeway, under 29 Vict. Nos. 1 and 2, and 33 Vict. No. 17	17,793	13	7			
Under 31 Vict. No. 23, Public Works Act	30,885	0	9			
Under 31 Vict. No. 24, Public Works and Buildings	7135	14	8			
Under 31 Vict. No. 24, New Schools	3000	0	0			
Under 32 Vict. No. 22, Public Works and Buildings Act	4900	0	0			
Under 33 Vict. No. 16	3500	0	0			
Under 33 Vict. No. 17, Public Works Act (except Sorell Causeway given above) ..	8760	19	4			
Under 24 Vict. No. 31, Public Buildings Act	4147	5	8			
Under 33 Vict. No. 2, Public Works Act	4288	12	11			
Under 37 Vict. No. 23, Electric Telegraph Act	7729	3	3			
Under 39 Vict. No. 22, Public Buildings Act	4521	1	4			
Under 40 Vict. No. 4, Public Works Act	19,399	12	9			
Under 41 Vict. No. 10, Public Works Construction Act	136,667	10	2			
Under 41 Vict. No. 11, ditto	4356	13	2			
Under 44 Vict. No. 31, Main Roads Construction Act	44,514	14	7			
Under 44 Vict. No. 32, Public Works Construction Act	3573	8	5			
Under 44 Vict. No. 33, Public Buildings Erection Act	20,747	7	1			
Under 45 Vict. No. 4, Public Works Construction Act	12,720	18	11			
Under 45 Vict. No. 26, Launceston Invalid Depot Act ..	1572	0	3			
Under 45 Vict. No. 28, Public Buildings Erection Act	6095	5	9			
Under 45 Vict. No. 30, Main Roads and Bridges Construction Act	12,853	11	3			
Under 45 Vict. No. 31, Branch Roads Construction Act	60,290	10	8			
Under 45 Vict. No. 32, ditto	3324	1	2			
Under 45 Vict. No. 35, Public Works Construction Act	3777	15	6			
Under 46 Vict. No. 22, Mersey and Deloraine Railway Act	784	10	0			
Under 46 Vict. No. 23, Main Roads and Bridges Construction Act	4069	9	10			
Under 46 Vict. No. 24, Branch Roads Construction Act	8298	15	1			
Under 46 Vict. No. 25, Defence Works Execution Act	631	15	8			
Under 46 Vict. No. 26, Public Works Construction Act	3687	0	4			
Under 46 Vict. No. 27, Public Buildings Erection Act	17	2	11			
Under 46 Vict. No. 28, Public Schools Erection Act	2132	19	4			
Under 46 Vict. No. 29, Railway Surveys Act	3126	15	7			
Under 46 Vict. No. 46, Public Works Construction Act	3413	4	1			
Under 46 Vict. No. 48, Esk and Tamar Improvement Act	275	19	7			
				514,343	7	7
Supplementary Estimates (<i>vide</i> particulars above) .....	..			16,180	5	6
Local Public Works Act (liabilities taken over by 42 Vict. No. 19) .....	..			31,482	15	8
Waste Lands Act (expenditure under Sections 18 and 28, 34 Vict. No. 10) .....	..			63,537	1	11
				£625,543	10	8

NOTE.—The particulars given under each heading of Report refer in some cases to instalments or balances on contracts which are not included in the amounts expended since last Return, these amounts corresponding with those given in Summary of Expenditure made up to 30th June only.

CORRIGENDA.

- Page 14. Elizabeth Town to Latrobe—£171 12s. 6d. should be £174 12s. 6d., and total £11,713 12s. 6d. Telegraph, George's Bay to Moorina—£34 9s. 8d. should be £44 9s. 8d.
 Page 17. St. Mary's to George's Bay—£127 6s. should be £227 6s.
 Page 19. Hobbler's Bridge—£461 19s. 3d. should be £561 19s. 3d.
 Page 24. Tracks for Agricultural Selections—£73 2s. should be £72 12s., and total, £448 4s.
 Page 31. Barrington and Nook Road to Nook Settlement—£83 17s. 10d. should be £983 17s. 10d.
 Page 46. Meander Bridge, near Exton—£940 15s. 4d. should be £540 15s. 4d., and total, £559 10s. 7d.
 Page 82. £8970 11s. should be £9150 11s.

The following particulars were omitted from page 41 :—

From Main Road near New Norfolk to junction with Road to Collins' Cap (Sorell Creek Road.)

VOTE—£400.

The contract of Mr. A. Sawyer, referred to in last return, has been completed, but balance has not yet been paid. Amount paid contractor, £350. No further works have been entered into, the vote being expended.

	£	s.	d.
Expended, as per return of 30th June, 1882	105	6	0
Since expended.....	269	2	0
	<u>£374</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>