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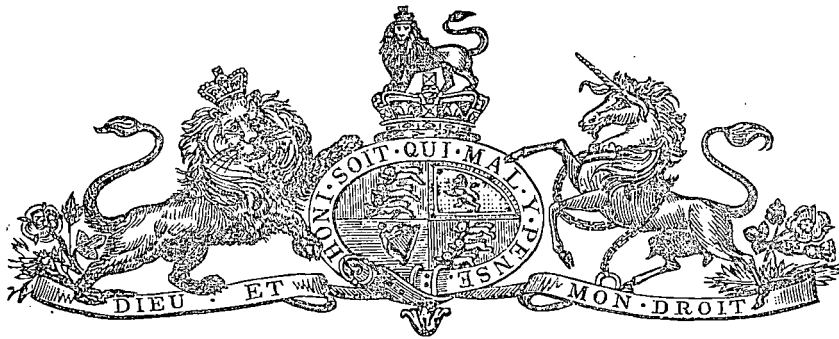
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TERRITORIAL POLICE:

INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1888.

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Presented to both Houses of Parliament by His Excellency's Command.



*Police Department, Inspector's Office, Hobart, 23rd July, 1889.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to submit my Annual Report upon the Territorial Police for the year 1888.

Since my last Report was furnished I have visited the whole of the Districts in the Colony, except Carnarvon and South Longford, and personally inspected such of the outstations as I had not previously seen. I found the chief stations in very good order, and the books and records carefully and accurately kept. The outstations generally were found in good order, but in some instances the want of a more liberal provision for maintenance and repair was very perceptible. New buildings have been erected at Hamilton-on-Forth, and a small cottage purchased at Zeehan for a temporary station, and arrangements are in progress for the construction of stations at Formby, at Moriarty Road near Latrobe, at Derby, and at Zeehan.

The progress of agricultural settlement and of the mining industry has rendered it necessary to provide additional constables at Formby, at Kentishbury, and at Zeehan, and to appoint a constable (previously provided for) at Reminé; whilst it has been found practicable to reduce the stations at Wesley Vale, in the Mersey District, and at Gordon and Margate, in the Kingborough District. The sub-inspectors at New Town and Sandy Bay have been reduced, and two constables appointed, and the sergeants of the divisions placed in charge. A special constable has been appointed at South Bruny.

The constable heretofore stationed at South Bridgewater, and part of whose duty it was to take the escort to and from Launceston, has been removed to the New Town District, and the station, which includes the watch-house, handed over to the care of the New Norfolk Municipal authorities, within which district it is situate.

The substitution of constables for sub-inspectors at New Town and Sandy Bay, and the transfer of the constable from South Bridgewater, have been productive of considerable advantage in the practical performance of police duty in the suburbs of the city, where the number of houses and the population have greatly increased.

The officers in charge of districts and sub-districts have discharged the responsible duties devolving upon them in a very creditable manner, and the conduct of the men has on the whole been good. Five constables resigned during the year; one sub-inspector and five constables were reprimanded for irregularities, and one sergeant and one constable were fined for misconduct. A constable has recently been appointed Superintendent of Police in a Rural Municipality.

The inability to afford any sufficient training to newly appointed constables before they are placed in charge of stations continues to be a serious drawback to the efficiency of the Force. I have already pointed out in previous Reports that there is no practical remedy so long as the police of the two cities (where alone there are a sufficient number to render systematic instruction possible) remain under independent control.

It is still a source of dissatisfaction that no provision exists for allowing increased pay to constables who have served with good conduct for many years. There are men in the Force who have served faithfully and without reproach for various periods up to 29 years, who receive no more pay than the man appointed yesterday.

The amounts voted for travelling expenses in the Estimates for the current year and for the last half of 1888 having been placed under the heading of Contingencies instead of, as heretofore, of Allowances, the system recommended in my last Report was brought into operation on the 1st July last, and the several officers are repaid at stated periods the expenses incurred in actual journeys undertaken in their official capacity.

I am glad to say the form in which the estimates of the expenditure of the Department has heretofore been prepared, and in which the officers and men of each District were specified and in many instances their exact location fixed, has been abandoned in the Estimates for 1890 now under the consideration of Parliament. The inconvenience of the existing system has been especially noticeable during the past year, for the several officers and constables transferred from stations which it was found practicable to close to others it was found necessary to establish, and constables who have been substituted for officers whose stations have been abolished have had to be provided for in supplementary estimates, leading to the erroneous impression that there has been an increase of expenditure, when really there has been a considerable reduction. The Estimates for 1890 show the total number of Sub-Inspectors, Sergeants, and Constables, and the total amounts required under each heading of expenditure for allowances and contingencies.

The services of the Police throughout the Colony continue to be utilised in other matters than those which are generally recognised as strictly police duties, such as the service of Process under "The Small Debts Act," the regulation of sanitary matters under the Boards of Health, and others specified in the annexed Return.

I visited the Macquarie District, West Coast, in February last, and rode through from Waratah to Strahan, and from there to Hobart *viâ* Hamilton. I visited Heazlewood, Long Plains, Corinna, Reminé, Mount Heemskirk, Zeehan, Queen River, Mount Lyell, and other mining centres, with the view to enable me to form an opinion as to the present and prospective police requirements. I found it necessary to recommend, as already stated, the re-establishment of a Police Station at Reminé, Trial Harbour, and the establishment of a new Station at Zeehan. It will doubtless be necessary at no distant date to establish Stations at Heazlewood, and at Queen River or Mount Lyell, and there are other places where increasing mining activity gives promise of results which will lead to a demand for police protection.

The Territorial Police Provident Fund on the 31st December last stood as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Superannuation Branch .....	3759	1	2
Reward Branch .....	1308	19	11

The amount paid to members of the Force who retired during the year was £152 3s. 2d., and the amount of Rewards given for meritorious conduct was £55 10s.

I append the usual Return showing the strength and distribution of the Police during the year, together with particulars of other offices held and duties performed by the officers and men. I also append the usual tabulated comparative statement of offences, which does not appear to exhibit features calling for special remark.

I have the honor to be,  
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

BERNARD SHAW.

*The Hon. the Attorney-General.*

## RETURN showing the Strength and Distribution of the Territorial Police Force during the Year 1888.

District.	Station.	Superintendent.	Sub-Inspector.	Sergeant.	Constable.	Special Constable.	Remarks.
NEW TOWN AND QUEENBOROUGH.	Head Station.....	1	1	..	1	..	The Superintendent is Inspector of Weights and Measures, Town Surveyor, Crown Lands Bailiff, Sanitary Inspector of Health Glebe Town, New Town, and Queenborough, Collector of Stock and Crop, and Reviser of Jury List and Valuation Roll. The Sub-Inspector is Coroner's Clerk and Summoning Officer, Supreme Court.
	New Town.....	..	..	1	2	..	The Sub-Inspector is Poundkeeper and Inspector of Stock.
	Sandy Bay.....	..	1	..	2	..	
	Glebe Town & Domain.....	..	..	..	5	..	
	Cascade Road.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Fern Tree.....	..	..	..	1	..	
KINGBOROUGH.	Kingston.....	1	..	..	2	..	The Superintendent is Bailiff of Crown Lands, Bailiff Court of Requests, Deputy Registrar of Births, &c., Inspector of Stock, Examiner of Weights and Measures, Collector of Hospital Fees, Collector of Stock and Crop, Compiler of Valuation Roll and Jury List, and Inspector Local Boards of Health, and has forage allowance for one horse. One Constable is Bench Clerk, Registrar of Court of Requests, and Clerk to Board of Advice.
	Gordon.....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff of Crown Lands, Bailiff Court of Requests, and Clearing Officer of Customs, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Margate.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Leslie.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Woodbridge.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Bruny Island (North).....	..	..	..	..	1	
FRANKLIN.	Franklin.....	1	1	..	2	..	The Superintendent is Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector of Stock, Inspector of Weights and Measures, Deputy Registrar of Births, &c., Tidewater, and Inspector Local Board of Health, and has forage allowance for one horse. The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff Court of Requests and of Crown Lands.
	Port Cygnet.....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff of the Court of Requests and of Crown Lands, and has forage for one horse.
	Port Esperance.....	..	..	1	..	..	The Sergeant is Bailiff of Court of Requests, and Tidewater, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Southport.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Honeywood.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Victoria.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Recherche.....	..	..	..	1	..	
CARNARVON.	Carnarvon.....	..	1	..	..	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bench Clerk, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, Bailiff and Registrar Court of General Sessions, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Impression Bay.....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
MACQUARIE.	Strahan.....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Crown Bailiff, Collector of Timber Licences, and Tidewater. The Constable is Assistant Bailiff of Crown Lands.
	Reminè.....	..	..	..	1	..	
SOUTH LONGFORD.	The Steppes.....	1	..	..	..	..	The Chief Constable is Bailiff of Crown Lands and Inspector of Sheep, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Great Lake.....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
SELBY.	Invermay.....	1	..	..	1	..	The Superintendent is Collector of Timber Licences, Inspector of Stock, Inspector of Weights and Measures, Bailiff Court of Requests, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Westbury Road.....	..	1	..	..	..	The Sub-Inspector has forage allowance for one horse, and is Inspector Local Board of Health.
	St. Leonard's.....	..	1	..	..	..	
	Pattersonia.....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
	Lisle.....	..	..	..	1	..	Ditto, and is Inspector Local Board of Health.
	Lilydale.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Turner's Marsh.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Dilston.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Rosevears.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Trevallyn.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Hadspen.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Young Town.....	..	..	..	1	..	
Hall's Track.....	..	..	..	1	..		
RINGAROOMA.	Scottsdale.....	1	..	..	3	..	The Superintendent is Bailiff Court of Requests and of Crown Lands, and has forage allowance for two horses. One Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
	Moorina.....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff Court of Requests and of Crown Lands, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Ringarooma, Upper.....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff Court of Requests and of Crown Lands, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Branxholm.....	..	..	..	1	..	Ditto.
	Bridport.....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
	Gladstone.....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Derby.....	..	..	..	1	..	Ditto, and is Bailiff of Crown Lands.
	Boobyalla.....	..	..	..	1	..	Ditto, ditto.

<i>District.</i>	<i>Station.</i>	<i>Superintendent.</i>	<i>Sub-Inspector.</i>	<i>Sergeant.</i>	<i>Constable.</i>	<i>Special Constable.</i>	<i>Remarks.</i>
PORTLAND.	St. Helen's .....	1	..	..	2	..	The Superintendent is Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector of Stock, and Inspector of Nuisances, and has forage allowance for one horse. One Constable is Bailiff of the Court of Requests. One Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
	Gould's Country .....	..	1	..	..	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff of Crown Lands, and Inspector of Nuisances, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Weldborough .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff of Crown Lands, and Inspector of Nuisances, and has forage allowance for one horse.
GEORGE TOWN.	George Town .....	1	..	..	2	..	The Superintendent is Bailiff Court of General Sessions, Bailiff of Crown Lands, Examiner of Weights and Measures, and Inspector of Stock, and has forage allowance for one horse. One Constable is Deputy Clerk of the Peace and Registrar Court of General Sessions, and Bench Clerk.
	Beaconsfield .....	..	1	..	2	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff Court of Requests, Bailiff of Crown Lands, and Inspector of Stock, and has forage allowance for one horse. One Constable is Registrar Court of Requests and Bench Clerk.
	Lefroy .....	..	..	1	..	..	The Sergeant is Bailiff Court of Requests.
	Piper's River .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
MERSEY AND LATROBE.	Torquay .....	1	..	..	3	..	The Superintendent is Inspector of Stock, Inspector of Weights and Measures, Bailiff Court of Requests, Bailiff of Crown Lands, Poundkeeper, Collector of Charitable Grants, and Inspector Local Board of Health, and has forage allowance for two horses. One Constable is Registrar Court of Requests and Bench Clerk.
	Formby .....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff Court of Requests, Tidewaiter, and Assistant Inspector Local Board of Health.
	Ulverstone .....	..	1	..	1	..	
	Latrobe .....	..	1	..	2	..	The Sub-Inspector is Inspector of Stock, Bailiff Court of General Sessions, and Assistant Inspector Local Board of Health.
	Penguin .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff Court of Requests, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Forth .....	..	..	1	..	..	The Sergeant has forage allowance for one horse.
	Don .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff Court of Requests, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Sheffield .....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Sassafras .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Tidewaiter.
	Green's Creek .....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Northdown .....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Castra .....	..	..	..	1	..	
EMU BAY AND RUSSELL.	Emu Bay .....	1	..	..	3	..	The Superintendent is Bailiff Court of Requests, Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector of Weights and Measures, and Tidewaiter, and has forage allowance for one horse. One Constable is Bench Clerk, Registrar Court of Requests, and Deputy Clerk of the Peace.
	Wynyard .....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Registrar Court of Requests, Bailiff of Crown Lands and Tidewaiter, and has forage allowance for one horse. The Constable is Bailiff of Court of Requests, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Waratah .....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff Court of Requests and Bailiff of Crown Lands.
	Stanley .....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Registrar Court of Requests, Tidewaiter and Bailiff of Crown Lands, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Cam .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Tidewaiter, Harbour Master, and Bailiff of Crown Lands, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Duck River .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Tidewaiter and Harbour Master, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	TOTAL .....	10	18	4	80	1	

*RETURN of Offences reported to the Territorial Police in the several Districts during the Year 1888, compared with similar Returns for preceding years.*

	Year.	Indictable Offences.			Offences determined Summarily.			
		Cases reported.	Apprehended.	Committed or summarily Convicted.	Drunkenness.		Offences against Police Act.	
					Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.
New Town and Queenborough.....	1886...	32	27	17	28	22	76	4
	1887...	48	18	17	8	5	88	8
	1888...	79	25	28	8	3	86	10
Kingborough.....	1886...	5	2	2	1	—	13	1
	1887...	21	4	3	1	1	11	1
	1888...	23	2	1	1	—	8	—
Franklin.....	1886...	22	22	17	23	4	75	4
	1887...	130	32	106	14	2	71	6
	1888...	16	7	13	16	2	46	2
Carnarvon.....	1886...	14	3	4	—	—	4	—
	1887...	5	3	1	—	—	8	1
	1888...	6	2	2	—	—	14	—
Selby.....	1886...	34	13	10	5	1	124	6
	1887...	66	33	29	6	3	67	4
	1888...	41	20	15	3	4	91	10
Ringarooma.....	1886...	28	9	7	24	1	29	4
	1887...	34	16	15	61	2	44	2
	1888...	38	21	20	62	8	47	2
Portland.....	1886...	20	6	6	3	—	23	4
	1887...	18	5	3	4	—	33	—
	1888...	37	13	13	4	—	15	4
George Town.....	1886...	20	2	6	—	—	52	2
	1887...	17	3	8	1	—	79	3
	1888...	27	13	9	6	1	49	—
Mersey and Latrobe.....	1886...	76	56	43	137	21	149	5
	1887...	83	54	39	179	23	130	18
	1888...	49	39	32	180	25	143	10
Emu Bay and Russell.....	1886...	15	20	15	28	—	114	5
	1887...	33	17	13	50	4	76	4
	1888...	24	18	16	15	—	90	4
Macquarie .....	1888...	12	6	5	5	—	14	—

TOTALS.

Year.	Indictable Offences.			Offences determined Summarily.			
	Cases reported.	Number apprehended.	Committed or summarily Convicted.	Drunkenness.		Offences against Police Act.	
				Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.
1886.....	266	160	127	249	49	659	35
1887.....	455	185	234	324	40	607	47
1888.....	352	166	154	300	43	603	42