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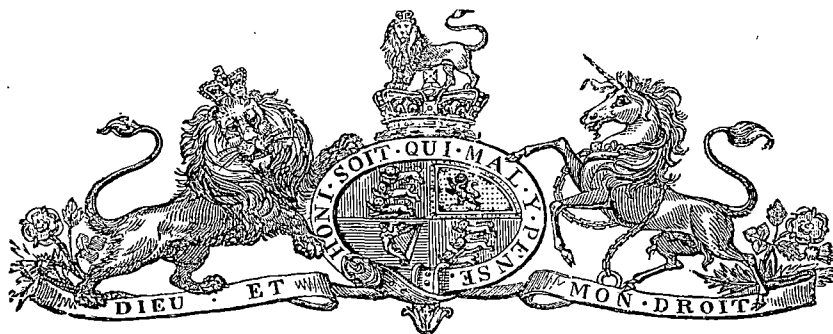
1861.

T A S M A N I A.

M R. B E S T.

RETURN TO AN ORDER. (*Mr. Carter.*)

Laid upon the Table by Mr. Henty, and ordered by the Council to^a be printed,
October 30, 1861.



MR. BEST proffered his services to the Government, at different periods in 1859 and 1860, in any suitable employment which might be at the disposal of the Executive. Accordingly, on the 2nd or 3rd of February last, after Mr. Barnard had taken his departure for England,—and when it had become necessary to make provision in the Government Printing Office for keeping the Office Accounts, the Revision of the Press, &c., &c.,—reference was made to Mr. Best as to his competence and his willingness to discharge those duties at the Salary of £250 per annum, being half that enjoyed by Mr. Barnard ; and on Mr. Best consenting to act on these terms, his appointment was provisionally made, in the tenor of the Colonial Treasurer's Letter to him of the 4th February.

There was no Correspondence between Mr. Best and the Government in reference to the Office of Government Printer prior to the 4th February, 1861.