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P O S T O F F I C E R E T U R N S.

Laid upon the Table by the Colonial Treasurer, and ordered by the House to be printed, September 21, 1880.



No. 1.—RETURN showing the Number of Letters, Packets, and Newspapers forwarded from Tasmania for transmission by the Contract Mail Steamer leaving Melbourne for Galle during the Year 1879; together with a Statement showing the Amount paid by the Government of Tasmania to the Government of Victoria for the Conveyance of the said Letters, Packets, and Newspapers to Galle.

LETTERS.			PACKETS.			NEWSPAPERS.		
Number.	Weight.	Amount paid at 1s. 7d. per oz.	Number.	Weight.	Amount paid at 1s. 6d. per lb.	Number.	Weight.	Amount paid at 6d. per lb.
	lbs. ozs.	£ s. d.		lbs. ozs.	£ s. d.		lbs. oz.	£ s. d.
39,314	1015 4	1285 19 7	2043	921 2	69 1 7	67,732	10,395 1	259 17 6

Total amount paid..... £1614 18s. 8d.

No. 2.—RETURN showing the Number of Letters, Packets, and Newspapers for Tasmania received per Contract Mail Steamers leaving Galle for Melbourne during the Year 1879; together with a Statement showing the Amount paid by the Government of Tasmania to the Government of Victoria for the Conveyance of the said Letters, Packets, and Newspapers from Galle.

LETTERS.			PACKETS.			NEWSPAPERS.		
Number.	Weight.	Amount paid at 1s. 7d. per oz.	Number.	Weight.	Amount paid at 1s. 6d. per lb.	Number.	Weight.	Amount paid at 6d. per lb.
	lbs. ozs.	£ s. d.		lbs. ozs.	£ s. d.		lbs. ozs.	£ s.
39,025	1150 4	1456 19 7	14,571	3903 14	292 15 11	124,125	20,046 14	501 3 3

Total amount paid..... £ s. d.
 2250 18 9
 Outwards 1614 18 8
 Grand Total paid £3865 17 5

No. 3.—RETURN showing the Amount received by the Government of Tasmania from the British Government towards defraying the Cost of the Mails from Galle to Melbourne during the Year 1879.

LETTERS.	PACKETS.	NEWSPAPERS.	TOTAL AMOUNT.
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1158 19 4½	243 6 0½	237 19 10	1640 5 3

A. C. DOUGLAS, Secretary.

General Post Office, 21st September, 1880.

RETURN of INLAND MAIL CONTRACTS, showing the Modes of Conveyance, Distances, Frequency of Communication, and Amounts paid per Annum.

Description of Contract.	How conveyed.	Distance of Mail Line in Miles.	Frequency of Communication.	Amount per Annum.		
				£	s.	d.
Launceston and Deloraine, Carrick and Hadspen, Bracknell and Oaks.....	L. & W. Railway	56	Twice daily	675	0	0
New Norfolk and Ouse	Coach	31	Daily	270	0	0
Hamilton, Montacute, and Glen Quoin	Horse.....	5	Bi-weekly			
Circular Head and Montagu River	Ditto	35	Once a week	35	0	0
Hagley and Westwood, Westwood and Rose Vale, Rose Vale and Bridgenorth	Ditto	10	Bi-weekly	30	0	0
Ross and Auburn	Ditto	12	Tri-weekly	40	0	0
Branxholm and Ringarooma Road	Ditto	6	Bi-weekly	40	0	0
Deloraine and Formby <i>via</i> Elizabeth Town, Sassafras, Latrobe, and Torquay	Cart	35	Daily	360	0	0
New Norfolk and Glenora	Ditto	12	Ditto	60	0	0
Richmond and Swansea, Spring Bay and Oakhampton	Coach	73	Bi-weekly	283	0	0
Victoria and Port Cygnet	Cart	11	Daily	81	0	0
Port Cygnet and Garden Island Creek	Horse.....	6	Bi-weekly			
Ross and Longford	Cart	40	Tri-weekly	200	0	0
Longford and Cressy	Coach	5	Twice daily	12	0	0
Launceston and Upper Piper's River	Horse	14	Once a week	26	0	0
Honeywood, Port Esperance, and Southport	Ditto	25	Tri-weekly	150	0	0
Launceston and Ilfracombe.....	Ditto	35	Bi-weekly	134	0	0
Scottsdale and Ringarooma.....	Ditto	22	Ditto	49	0	0
George's Bay and Gould's Country	Ditto	15	Tri-weekly	177	0	0
Gould's Country, Thomas's Plains, and Blue Tier.....	Ditto	14	Bi-weekly			
Thomas's Plains and Krushka's Bridge	Ditto	10	Ditto			
Latrobe and Green's Creek <i>via</i> Moriarty Road, Wesley Vale, and Northdown	Ditto	15	Tri-weekly	70	0	0
General Post Office and Main Line Railway Station	Mail cart	½	Twice daily	45	0	0
Trains, Risdon Road and Post Offices, New Town, and Augusta Road	Foot	4	Daily	28	0	0
Brighton Railway Station and Melton Mowbray	Coach	18	Ditto	135	0	0
Richmond and Campania	Ditto	5	Ditto	49	0	0
Melton Mowbray and Jericho	Horse.....	11	Ditto	90	0	0
Trains and Lower Jerusalem	Ditto	3	Ditto	27	0	0
Oatlands and Railway Station	Cart	4	Ditto	55	0	0
Breadalbane and Evandale Road Station	Horse.....	3	Ditto	30	0	0
Post Office, Launceston, and Main Line Railway Station	Mail cart	½	Ditto	15	0	0
Hobart Town and Launceston	T. M. L. Railway	133	Ditto	2850	0	0
Trains and Post Offices, Tunbridge, Snake Banks, and Cleveland	Foot	27	Ditto	23	0	0
Hobart Town and Geeves Town	Coach.....	42	Ditto	240	0	0
Sorell, Forcett, and Carlton	Horse	10	Four times a week	94	0	0
Carlton, East Bay Neck and Carlton, Bream Creek, and Ragged Tier	Ditto	28	Bi-weekly			
Ringarooma and Cascade River.....	Ditto	5	Ditto	50	0	0
Launceston and George Town	Ditto	35	Four times a week	135	0	0
Hobart Town, Brown's River, (and Tinder Box Bay, bi-weekly)	Coach.....	18	Daily	58	0	0
Latrobe and Barrington, <i>via</i> Kentishbury and The Nook	Horse	25	Tri-weekly	80	0	0
Deloraine and Chudleigh.....	Ditto	5	Ditto	45	0	0
Hobart Town and Sorell	Coach.....	15	Daily	50	0	0
Emu Bay and Mount Bischoff	Tramway	40	Tri-weekly	200	0	0
Lymington and Deddington	Horse	6	Ditto	28	0	0
Mount Bischoff and Pieman River	Foot	45	Twice a month	208	0	0
Corners and Kingston, <i>via</i> Vaucluse, Ellerslie, and Kelvin Grove.....	Horse	20	Bi-weekly	55	0	0
Bicheno and Cranbrook	Ditto	19	Ditto	40	0	0
Latrobe and Wynyard, Don Bridge and Post Office	Coach.....	45	Daily	760	0	0
Wynyard and Circular Head	Horse.....	31	Tri-weekly			
Corners and St. Mary's	Coach.....	48	Daily	571	0	0
St. Mary's and George's Bay	Ditto	24	Tri-weekly			
Fingal and Reedy Marsh.....	Horse.....	17	Bi-weekly			
Boobyalla, and Mount Cameron, North and South.....	Ditto	15	Once a week	50	0	0
George Town Road and Cape Portland	Ditto	70	Ditto	170	0	0
Launceston and Scottsdale	Ditto	39	Bi-weekly	245	0	0
Avoca and Swansea	Cart	40	Ditto	215	0	0
Melton Mowbray and Bothwell.....	Coach.....	12	Daily	85	0	0
Oatlands and Ponsonby Vale	Horse	13	Ditto	40	0	0
Brown's River and Three Hut Point	Ditto	25	Bi-weekly	75	0	0
Kangaroo Point and Clarence Plains	Ditto	4	Daily	30	0	0
Clarence Plains and Muddy Plains	Ditto	6	Bi-weekly			
Hobart Town and Richmond	Coach.....	14	Daily	30	0	0

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				£	s.	d.
Lisle and Myrtle Bank, Lisle and Golconda	Horse	9	Bi-weekly	80	0	0
Kelly's Point, Tinder Box Bay, Barnes' Bay, and Trumpeter Bay	Boat and Horse ...	10	Ditto	30	0	0
Hobart Town and Glenorchy	Omnibus	5	Twice daily	40	0	0
Winkleigh and <i>Bush Inn</i>	Horse	15	Once a week	10	0	0
Hobart Town and New Norfolk	Railway and Coach	21	Daily	80	0	0
Launceston and White Hills	Horse	10	Bi-weekly	20	0	0
Bothwell and Shannon	Ditto	15	Ditto	10	0	0
Falmouth and Seymour	Ditto	16	Ditto	20	0	0
Castra and Leven	Ditto	7	Ditto	20	0	0
Tunnack and Oatlands	Ditto	14	Daily	35	0	0
Tunnack and Stonehenge	Ditto	12	Tri-weekly	35	0	0
Brighton, Black Brush, Lower and Upper Broad-marsh	Ditto	13	Ditto	50	0	0
Nine Mile Springs and Back Creek	Ditto	5	Bi-weekly	15	0	0
Extra work to and from the Trains and Evandale Road Station	Foot	Daily	20	0	0
Brighton and Old Beach	Horse	5	Tri-weekly	20	0	0
Muddy Plains and South Arm	Ditto	4	Bi-weekly	15	0	0
Recherche Bay and Southport	Ditto	10	Once a week	10	0	0
General Post Office and Upper Macquarie-street. ...	Omnibus	1½	Daily	12	0	0
Hobart Town and Sandy Bay	Ditto	1	Twice daily	12	0	0
Fingal and Mangana	Horse	5	Bi-weekly	24	0	0
The Trains and Post Office, Epping Forest	Foot	½	Daily	5	0	0
The Steamer and Post Offices, Hobart Town and Kangaroo Point	Ditto	1	Twice daily	5	0	0
Hobart Town and Risdon	Horse	5	Daily	10	0	0
Launceston and George Town	Steamer	35	Bi-weekly	25	0	0
Sorell and Wattle Hill	Horse	7	Ditto	12	0	0
Exeter and Glengarry	Ditto	7	Ditto	12	0	0
Dunalley and Salt Water River	Boat	7	Once a week	30	0	0
Launceston and Beaconsfield	Steamer	30	Bi-weekly	52	0	0
Leven and North Motton	Horse	8	Ditto	10	0	0
Glenora and Ellendale	Ditto	11	Ditto	20	0	0
The Trains and Post Office, Campania	Foot	Twice daily	15	0	0
				10,347	0	0

NOTE.—The total amount of these Contracts will be increased as far as is at present known by £348 from the 1st of January next.

A. C. DOUGLAS, *Secretary.*

General Post Office, 27th September, 1880.