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TASMANIA:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

DISTRICT CONSTABLE M'GUIRE:

MEMO. BY THE ASSISTANT COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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MEMORANDUM.

District Constable John M'Guire was transferred in 1858 from the Territorial to the Municipal Police. He was thus placed by the Government in a position where he had no option in the matter.

A reduction having taken place in the strength of the Municipal Police, M'Guire's services were dispensed with. He subsequently rejoined the Territorial Police on the 1st May, 1864; but the "Act for the abolition of Pensions" having passed on the 30th July, 1863, he was not entitled to a Pension; but in consideration of his long and efficient services, and upon the urgent recommendation of the Inspector of Police, the late Ministry promised to submit to Parliament a Vote for One Year's Salary as a gratuity. This promise the present Government have fulfilled by placing the amount in a Bill now before the Legislative Council.

His present helpless and paralysed condition is owing to exposure and hardships undergone in the performance of his duties as a field Constable in pursuit of bushrangers.

B. TRAVERS SOLLY.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 20th February, 1880.