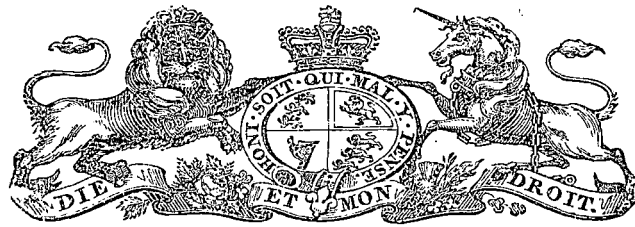


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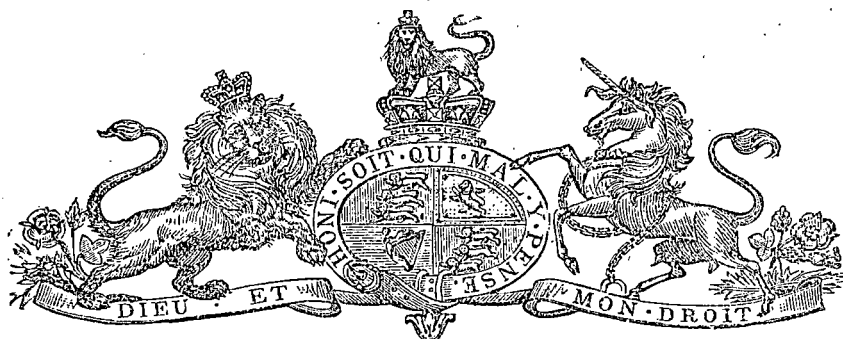
TERRITORIAL POLICE:

REPORT FOR 1896.

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## TERRITORIAL POLICE.

### COMMISSIONER'S REPORT FOR YEAR 1896.

*Police Department,  
Commissioner's Office, Hobart, 3rd June, 1897.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to submit my Annual Report upon the Territorial Police for the year 1896.

One Sergeant died, and four Constables resigned, during the year.

The following reductions were effected for the purpose of retrenchment:—Sub-Inspector, Wynyard; Sub-Inspector, Waratah; Sergeant, New Town; Sergeant, Glebe Town; Sergeant, Castra; and one Constable, Sheffield. The Corinna Station was closed, and one Constable was reduced at Teepookana.

It was found necessary to open a new Station with one Constable at Ringville, in the Macquarie District, West Coast, and to appoint additional Constables as follows:—Two at New Town, two at Glebe Town, one at Strahan, one at Castra, one at Wynyard, and one at Waratah. These appointments include the several Sub-Inspectors and Sergeants whose offices were abolished; and who remained at the reduced pay, and one Constable in the place of the deceased Sergeant. A resident of King Island was appointed a Constable at a nominal salary for occasional duty there when required. Since the close of the year one additional Constable has been appointed at Zeehan, one at West Devonport, and one at Queenstown, and four residents on the Huon Road have been appointed Constables at nominal salaries to act when specially required in the neighbourhood, and the Teepookana Station has been closed.

I visited the Districts of Macquarie, Selby, and Emu Bay, and the Inspecting Superintendent visited all the Districts and Stations during the year. I append his Report.

The Officers of the Clerical Branch at head quarters, as well as the several Police Officers and Constables throughout the Colony, continued to perform their duty with assiduity and zeal worthy of every commendation.

The Territorial Police Provident Fund, which has not been augmented in either branch by percentage payments from the salaries of members, or by the usual moiety of fines, since both were discontinued for the purpose of retrenchment in 1893, had to its credit on 31st December, 1896, the following amounts:—Superannuation Branch, £5612 1s. 11d.; Reward Branch, £1174 16s. 5d. The retiring allowances paid during the year amounted to £235 4s. 6d., and the amount paid as rewards was £85 10s.

I attach the usual Return showing the Strength and Distribution of the Police during the year, also the usual tabulated Comparative Return of Offences reported in the Territorial Districts.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

BERNARD SHAW, *Commissioner of Police.*

*The Honorable the Attorney-General.*

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*Office of Inspecting Superintendent of Police  
Hobart, 3rd June, 1897.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to report for your information that during the year 1896 I visited, as Inspecting Superintendent of Police, all the Territorial Police Stations in the Colony, and found that the Police at their respective Stations were properly dressed in uniform, that their kits and horses were in serviceable order and fit for duty, as well as duty and other books posted to date, and Police buildings cleanly and in proper repair.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

O. E. HEDBERG, *Inspecting Superintendent.*

*The Commissioner of Police.*

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*RETURN showing the Strength and Distribution of the Territorial Police Force during the Year 1896.*

<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>
NEW TOWN, QUEENBOROUGH, KINGBOROUGH, AND CARNARVON.	Head Station .....	1	1	..	1	..	The Superintendent is Inspector of Weights and Measures, Inspector of Stock, Inspector under Fisheries Act, Crown Lands Bailiff, and Bailiff Court of Requests, and has forage for one horse. The Sub-Inspector is Coroner's Clerk, Crown Bailiff and Inspector of Fisheries. The Constable is Summoning Officer, Supreme Court.
	New Town .....	..	..	..	4	..	A Constable is Assistant Bailiff Court of Requests, and has forage for one horse.
	Sandy Bay .....	..	..	..	3	..	The Senior Constable is Assistant Bailiff Court of Requests.
	Globe Town & Domain .....	..	..	..	4	..	A Constable is Assistant Bailiff Court of Requests, and one Constable is Magazine Guard.
	Cascade Road .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Assistant Bailiff Court of Requests, and has forage for one horse.
	Cemetery Point .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Water Bailiff under "The Fisheries Act."
	Bellerive .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Assistant Bailiff Court of Requests, Registrar, &c.
	Beltana .....	..	..	..	..	1	..
	Kingston .....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff of Crown Lands, Registrar and Bailiff Court of Requests, Bench Clerk, Deputy Registrar of Births, &c., Inspector of Stock, and Inspector Local Boards of Health, and has forage allowance for one horse. The Constable has forage for one horse.
	Woodbridge .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff Court of Requests, Tidewater, and has forage for one horse.
	Bruny Island (North) .....	..	..	..	..	1	..
	Bruny Island (South) .....	..	..	..	..	1	..
	Carnarvon .....	..	1	..	..	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bench Clerk, Deputy Registrar of Births, &c., Deputy Clerk of the Peace, Bailiff and Registrar Court of General Sessions, and has forage allowance for one horse.
FRANKLIN.	Impression Bay .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
	Franklin .....	1	..	..	1	..	The Superintendent is Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector of Stock, Inspector of Weights and Measures, Deputy Registrar of Births, &c., Inspector under Fisheries Act, Inspector Board of Health, and has forage allowance for one horse. The Constable is Bailiff Court of Requests.
	Port Cygnet .....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Registrar Court of Requests, Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector Board of Health, and has forage for one horse. The Constable is Bailiff Court of Requests.
	Port Esperance .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff of Court of Requests and of Crown Lands, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Southport .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff of Crown Lands.
	Honeywood .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff Court of Requests, and Tidewater.
	Huonville .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff Court of Requests, and has forage for one horse.
MACQUARIE.	Recherche .....	..	..	..	..	1	..
	Strahan .....	1	..	..	3	..	The Superintendent is Crown Lands Bailiff, Bailiff Court of Requests, Inspector of Stock, Inspector of Weights and Measures, Inspector Local Board of Health, and has forage for one horse.
	Queenstown .....	..	..	..	1	..	..
	Teepookana .....	..	..	..	1	..	..
	Ringville .....	..	..	..	1	..	..
	Gormanston .....	..	..	..	1	..	..
	Dundas .....	..	..	..	1	..	..
SOUTH LONGFORD.	Zeehan .....	..	1	..	3	..	The Sub-Inspector is Crown Lands Bailiff, and one Constable, Bailiff Court of Requests.
	Great Lake .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse; he is Bailiff of Crown Lands.
SELBY AND GEORGE TOWN.	Invermay .....	1	..	..	1	..	The Superintendent is Superintendent of the Launceston Gaol and Bailiff Court of Requests, Inspector Board of Health, Inspector of Stock, Inspector of Weights and Measures, Inspector under Fisheries Act, Bailiff of Crown Lands, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Hobart Road .....	..	1	..	..	..	..
	St. Leonard's .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage for one horse.
	Patersonia .....	..	..	..	1	..	Ditto.
	Lilydale .....	..	..	..	1	..	Ditto, and is Registrar Court of Requests.
	Turner's Marsh .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
	Dilston .....	..	..	..	1	..	Ditto.
	Rosevears .....	..	..	..	1	..	Ditto, and is Assistant Harbour Master.
	Trevallyn .....	..	..	..	1	..	..
	Hadspen .....	..	..	..	1	..	..
	Young Town .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
	George Town .....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector of Stock and Board of Health, Inspector of Fisheries, has forage allowance for one horse, and is Deputy Harbour-Master. The Constable is Bench Clerk and Registrar and Bailiff Court of Requests.

<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>
SELBY AND GEORGETOWN. <i>continued.</i>	Beaconsfield .....	..	..	..	2	..	A Constable is Registrar and Bailiff Court of Requests and Bench Clerk, and a Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
	Lefroy .....	..	..	1	1	..	The Sergeant is Bailiff Court of Requests, and has forage allowance for one horse.
RINGAROOMA AND PORTLAND.	Scottsdale .....	1	..	..	2	..	The Superintendent is Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector of Stock, Inspector Local Boards of Health, Inspector of Weights and Measures, and has forage allowance for one horse. A Constable has forage allowance for one horse, and is Bailiff Court of Requests.
	Moorina .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse, and is Bailiff of Crown Lands.
	Ringarooma, Upper..	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse, and is Registrar and Bailiff Court of Requests.
	Gladstone .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Registrar and Bailiff Court of Requests, and Bailiff of Crown Lands, and has forage for one horse.
	Derby .....	..	..	..	1	..	Ditto, ditto.
	St. Helen's .....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector of Local Board of Health, Bailiff of the Court of Requests, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Gould's Country .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff of Crown Lands, and has forage allowance for one horse.
MERSEY AND LATROBE.	East Devonport .....	1	..	..	2	..	The Superintendent is Inspector of Stock, Inspector of Weights and Measures, Bailiff Court of Requests, Bailiff of Crown Lands, Poundkeeper, and Inspector Local Board of Health, and Fisheries, and has forage allowance for two horses. One Constable is caretaker of Court House and Assistant Inspector Board of Health. One Constable has forage.
	West Devonport .....	..	..	..	1	..	
	Ulverstone .....	..	1	..	2	..	The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff Court of Requests and Crown Lands, and Assistant Inspector Local Board of Health, and Inspector of Stock and Weights and Measures, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Latrobe .....	..	1	..	2	..	The Sub-Inspector is Inspector of Stock, Bailiff Court of General Sessions and Crown Lands, Inspector of Weights and Measures, and Assistant Inspector Local Board of Health, and has forage allowance for one horse. One Constable is caretaker of Court House.
	Penguin .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Bailiff and Registrar Court of Requests, Harbour Master, and Assistant Inspector Board of Health, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Forth .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
	Sheffield .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Registrar and Bailiff Court of Requests and Assistant Inspector Board of Health, Caretaker of Court House, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Railton .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse.
	Moriarty Road .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable is Tidewater of Customs, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Castra .....	..	..	..	1	..	The Constable has forage allowance for one horse, and is Assistant Inspector, Board of Health.
EMU BAY AND RUSSELL.	Emu Bay .....	1	..	..	2	..	The Superintendent is Bailiff Court of General Sessions, Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector of Weights and Measures, Inspector Local Boards of Health and Inspector of Stock, and has forage allowance for one horse. One Constable is Bench Clerk and Registrar Court of General Sessions. One Constable is Bailiff Court of Requests, and has forage.
	Wynyard .....	..	..	..	2	..	One Constable is Registrar Court of Requests, Bench Clerk, Bailiff of Crown Lands and Tidewater of Customs, and has forage allowance for one horse. One Constable is Bailiff of Court of Requests, and has forage allowance for one horse.
	Waratah .....	..	..	..	2	..	One Constable is Registrar Court of Requests and of Mines, and Bailiff of Crown Lands, and of Court of Requests.
	Stanley .....	..	1	..	1	..	The Sub-Inspector is Registrar Court of Requests, Inspector of Stock, Weights and Measures, Bailiff of Crown Lands, and Tidewater, and has forage allowance for one horse. The Constable is Bailiff Court of Requests.
ISLANDS, BASS STRAITS.	Duck River .....	..	..	..	..	1	The special Constable is Tidewater of Customs, and has forage allowance for one horse, and is in receipt of a pension.
	Cape Barron Island..	..	..	..	1	..	Is Officer of Customs, Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector of Fisheries, &c.
	TOTAL .....	7	11	1	79	5	

*RETURN of Offences reported to the Territorial Police in the several Districts during the Year 1896, 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.....	1894...	65	11	12	22	1	121	10
	1895...	74	20	28	3	1	80	8
	1896...	67	19	34	8	2	118	13
Kingborough.....	1894...	26	5	3	—	—	7	2
	1895...	23	3	3	2	1	10	2
	1896...	17	11	13	—	—	7	1
Franklin.....	1894...	42	36	33	9	3	50	3
	1895...	15	15	9	4	2	45	2
	1896...	20	20	20	2	—	71	—
Carnarvon.....	1894...	3	—	1	—	1	—	1
	1895...	6	—	1	—	—	4	1
	1896...	10	1	3	—	—	2	1
Selby.....	1894...	28	15	14	1	1	53	4
	1895...	22	17	14	1	3	38	6
	1896...	32	16	13	—	—	54	5
Ringarooma.....	1894...	60	7	8	1	—	32	—
	1895...	31	3	4	—	—	25	—
	1896...	37	1	7	—	—	14	—
Portland.....	1894...	23	9	10	2	—	10	1
	1895...	12	6	4	3	—	29	1
	1896...	18	4	5	—	—	13	—
George Town.....	1894...	42	13	15	3	—	32	3
	1895...	60	5	5	3	1	35	1
	1896...	59	9	12	2	1	37	2
Mersey and Latrobe.....	1894...	79	39	45	64	7	70	11
	1895...	76	44	60	38	3	76	24
	1896...	72	44	52	25	5	76	7
Emu Bay and Russell.....	1894...	19	12	12	12	1	64	—
	1895...	22	13	9	14	1	64	3
	1896...	28	11	7	16	1	43	1
Macquarie .....	1894...	76	28	18	11	—	158	7
	1895...	100	22	24	11	—	153	4
	1896...	193	44	39	33	—	148	2

**TOTALS.**

Year.	Indictable Offences.			Offences determined Summarily.			
	Cases reported.	Number apprehended.	Committed or summarily Convicted.	Drunkenness.		Offences against Police Act.	
				Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.
1894.....	463	175	171	125	14	597	42
1895.....	441	148	161	79	12	559	52
1896.....	553	180	205	86	9	583	32