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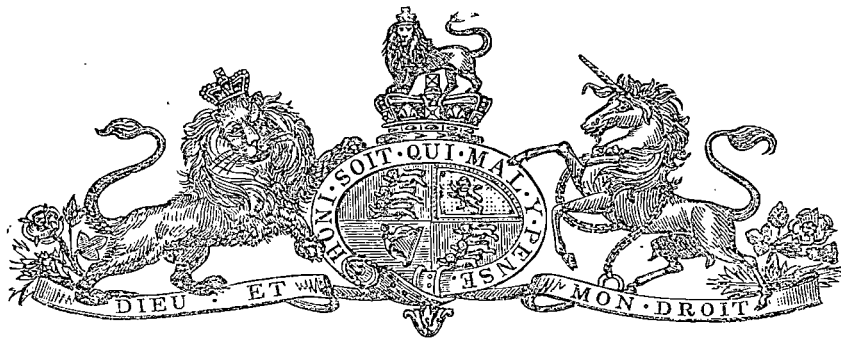
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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

LAUNCESTON FIRE BRIGADE BOARD :

REPORT FOR 1890.

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



REPORT of the LAUNCESTON FIRE BRIGADE BOARD for the Year 1890.

*To His Excellency SIR ROBERT GEORGE CROOKSHANK HAMILTON,
K.C.B., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Tasmania.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

In pursuance of "The Fire Brigades Act," 47 Victoria, No. 21, this Board has the honour to report as follows:—

Brigade Staff.

The Staff consists of Superintendent, Deputy, and 24 Firemen. The Brigade has attended 29 fires and alarms during the year, and the attendance of firemen on each occasion has been very satisfactory. During the year the officers and men have been supplied by the Board with uniforms. On November 10th, a Fire Brigades Competition was held in Launceston, and the Board are pleased to state that, although their firemen had strong competitors against them, they won some of the principal events.

Plant.

A quantity of new hose has been purchased during the year, and the Superintendent reports that the plant is in a satisfactory condition.

Expenditure.

The net expenditure for the year has been £807 18s. 2d., divided between the Government, Municipal Council, and Insurance Companies.

Meetings.

Twelve meetings of the Board have been held during the year.

Launceston, 31st December, 1890.

H. WEEDON, *Chairman.*

STATEMENT of Fires, &c. attended by the Launceston Fire Brigade for the Year ending 31st December, 1890.

Date.	Time.	Locality.	Trade used as	Occupied by	Construction.	Extent of Damage.	How insured.		Result of Inquest if any held.	Origin and General Remarks.
							Buildings.	Contents.		
1890.										
Jan. 4	12:30 P.M.	Brisbane-street	Hotel	Deleuse	Roof burnt	Roof burnt	New Zealand	...	None held	Sparks from chimney
4	10 P.M.	Charles-street	Burning rubbish	Denton	...	None	...	...	None held	
20	8:30 P.M.	Invermay	Burning rubbish	A. Weedon	...	None	...	...	None held	
14	...	Windmill Hill	...	...	Grass	Property near in danger	...	...	None held	
17	...	Margaret-street	Dwelling-house	Rev. Prestly	Wood	Slight	...	...	None held	Unknown
24	4 P.M.	York-street	Dwelling-house	Miss Gardiner	Brick	Slight	Cornwall	...	None held	Unknown
25	1:15 A.M.	Charles-street	Dwelling and store	J. Cape	Brick	Considerable	Tasmanian	L. & L. N. Zealand	Open verdict	Unknown
25	5 P.M.	Wellington-street	Hotel	G. Digney	Wood	Slight	Cornwall	...	None held	Unknown
26	9 P.M.	George-street	Dwelling	Miss Fawkiner	Brick	Slight	Mutual	Uninsured	...	Window blind caught fire
27	8:30 P.M.	Invermay	Dwelling	Lloyd	Wood	Considerable	United	Uninsured	...	Unknown
29	4:45 P.M.	Elizabeth-street	Bakery	Knaggs	Brick	Slight	L. & L. & G.	...	...	Unknown
Feb. 1	4:30 P.M.	Frankland-street	Stable	Bushman	...	Slight	Uninsured	...	...	Mr. Bushman lit a fire for experiment
3	12:30 P.M.	Brisbane-street	Crockery-store	G. Hubbard	Brick	Slight	Cornwall	Mutual	...	Chimney
7	11 A.M.	Windmill Hill	...	...	...	Grass and fences	...	...	...	Grass set on fire caught the fences
Mar. 3	4:50 P.M.	Charles-street	Stables	Bewsher	Brick	Completely gutted	Tasmanian	...	...	Unknown
12	11 P.M.	Wharf	Craft	M'Donald	...	...	Uninsured	...	...	Lime
20	1 A.M.	Tamar-street	Lime shed	Farmilo	Wood	Slight	Uninsured	...	...	Spontaneous
May 20	8 P.M.	Cameron-street	Laundry	Willis	Wood & iron	Considerable	Derwent and Tamar	Uninsured	...	Unknown
June 3	6:50 P.M.	Wharf	Brewery	Fawns & Abbott	Wood & brick	Slight	Cornwall	...	...	Chimney
7	6:20 P.M.	George-street	Dwelling	Everett	Wood	Slight	Cornwall	...	...	Chimney
Aug. 9	7:30 P.M.	George-street	Dwelling	M'Guire	Wood	Slight	Derwent and Tamar	...	...	Chimney
Nov. 2	2:30 P.M.	Howick-street	Unoccupied	Ah Ching	Wood	Destroyed	Uninsured	Uninsured	...	Lime
2	9:30 A.M.	William-street	Hotel	Holeman	Brick	Slight	Victoria and Mutual	...	...	Chimney
13	2 P.M.	Wharf	Store	Harrap	Brick	Slight	Derwent and Tamar	Norwich Union	...	Unknown
18	2 P.M.	Brisbane-street	Dwelling	Reading	Brick	Slight	Derwent and Tamar	...	...	Servant threw hot ashes out
Dec. 2	6 A.M.	Quadrant	Dwelling and shop	Ingles	Brick	Slight	Mutual	Mutual	...	Unknown
22	11 P.M.	Sandhill	Dwelling	Elliott	Wood	Destroyed	Mutual	Uninsured	...	Unknown
25	10 P.M.	Windmill Hill	Dwelling	J. & T. Gunn	Wood	Destroyed	Uninsured	Uninsured	...	Unknown
27	...	Windmill Hill	Grass	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

ROBERT BENNELL, Superintendent Launceston Fire Brigade.