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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.

RETURNS.

*Return to an Order of the Council of June 24th, 1863. (Mr. Wedge.)*

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Laid on the Table by Mr. Whyte, and ordered by the Council to be printed,  
June 30, 1863.



*RETURN showing the estimated Yearly Cost of the ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT since its Erection.*

HEADS.	1858.	1859.	1860.	1861.	1862.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Salaries .....	1130 0 0	1220 0 0	1220 0 0	1210 0 0	816 0 0
Repairs, &c. to Line .....	251 3 5	216 7 9	521 11 10	338 8 11	519 10 11
Stores, &c. ....	141 10 6	*492 7 5	11 11 6	175 19 4	151 14 6
Fuel, Light, and Water.....	33 9 8	56 15 3	50 0 0	58 0 0	49 0 0
<i>Total Year</i> .....	£1556 3 7	1985 10 5	1803 3 4	1782 8 3	1536 5 5

\* A great portion of these Stores were for Circular Head; but the Salaries do not include Circular Head, King's Island, or Cape Otway.

W. R. FALCONER, *Inspector Telegraphs.*

**ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH RETURNS.**

**1863. No. 1.**

This Return is made out under the new Scale of Charges, which were tried for some 5 or 6 months.

MONTH.	Hobart Town.	Launceston.	Low Heads.	Campbell Town.	Oatlands.	Total Paid.	Total Free.	General Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
January .....	26 12 4	22 1 11	2 15 6	2 17 0	3 2 6	59 9 3	85 5 4	142 14 7
February .....	24 17 5	17 15 6	2 17 4	2 15 2	4 7 4	52 12 9	71 0 9	123 13 6
March .....	28 15 10	16 10 7	2 16 6	2 9 3	1 11 6	52 3 8	92 1 7	144 5 3
April .....	29 8 2	12 12 1	2 2 11	1 18 10	2 1 0	48 3 0	72 5 9	120 8 9
May .....	31 7 4	18 15 6	1 13 2	2 8 4	3 15 4	57 19 8	110 15 3	168 14 11
<i>Total 1863</i> ....	141 1 1	87 15 7	12 5 5	12 8 7	14 17 8	268 8 4	431 8 8	699 17 0

**1862. No. 2.**

This Return, I may mention, is made out under the old Scale of Charges, which are in operation now.

MONTH.	Hobart Town.	Launceston.	Low Heads.	Campbell Town.	Oatlands.	Total Paid.	Total Free.	General Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
January .....	26 7 8	24 6 1	0 12 0	5 0 2	3 8 2	59 14 1	206 6 8	266 0 9
February .....	37 14 1	32 3 11	1 8 8	4 1 2	1 11 6	76 19 4	146 0 11	223 0 3
March .....	27 2 7	29 3 3	3 11 0	6 13 10	1 0 6	67 11 10	192 14 10	260 6 3
April .....	43 19 7	25 9 2	2 8 6	3 12 10	2 11 2	78 1 3	165 19 9	244 1 0
May .....	39 14 9	20 2 0	2 1 0	5 8 0	1 12 0	68 17 9	122 3 5	191 1 1
<i>Total 1862</i> ....	174 18 8	131 4 5	10 1 10	24 16 0	10 3 4	351 4 3	833 5 7	1184 9 9

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*RETURN showing the Number of MESSAGES passed during Five Months of 1863, and Five Months of 1862, respectively.*

	1863.			1862.		
	<i>Paid.</i>	<i>Free.</i>	<i>Total.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>	<i>Free.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
January .....	543	386	929	355	784	1139
February .....	420	544	964	391	446	837
March .....	415	651	1066	373	518	891
April .....	353	497	850	362	448	810
May .....	329	439	768	266	479	745
<i>Total</i> .....	2060	2517	4577	1747	2675	4422

*RETURN showing the Number of PERSONS who made use of the Line during Five Months of 1863.*

	PAID.			FREE.		
	<i>Received.</i>	<i>Sent.</i>	<i>Total.</i>	<i>Received.</i>	<i>Sent.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
January .....	261	200	461	78	80	158
February .....	238	196	434	93	100	193
March .....	245	230	475	124	90	214
April .....	216	200	416	81	75	156
May .....	195	170	365	76	83	159
<i>Total</i> .....	1155	996	2151	452	428	880

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*RETURN showing the YEARLY AVERAGE COST of each Telegraph Office.*

Hobart Town .....	£	s.	d.
Launceston .....	336	7	3
Mount Nelson .....	330	7	3
Low Heads .....	20	0	0
Oatlands .....	190	0	0
Campbell Town .....	70	0	0
Repairs to Line .....	70	0	0
<i>TOTAL 1862</i> .....	519	10	11
	£1536	5	5

This Return may be taken as a fair average for the four previous years.

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