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TELEGRAPH LINES.

INTERRUPTIONS.

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### MEMORANDUM.

THERE have been but eleven interruptions on the Telegraph lines since 1st January last,—being only 11 in 261 days. The interruption on the evening of Monday, the 16th instant, was for only half an hour.

The lines have been in perfect working order on the arrival of every English Mail for 14 months past.

The cost of maintaining the Electric Telegraph in Victoria (*vide* Superintendent's Report, 1865) is at the rate of £15 per mile,—in Tasmania only £8 11s. per mile.

W. R. FALCONER, *Inspector of Telegraphs.*  
18th September, 1867.

*The Honorable the Colonial Treasurer.*

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### *RETURN of Interruptions to the working of the Electric Telegraph between the 1st January and 18th September, 1867.*

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- Jan. 29. Main line interrupted for few hours only.
  - Feb. 17. Main line.
  - Mar. 6. Bridgewater bridge, interruption at.
  - „ 7. Main line and Mount Nelson line both injured by heavy gales, but repaired by the evening.
  - „ 21. Main line posts blown down in afternoon.
  - April 1. George Town line interrupted.
  - May 2. George Town line interrupted. Very heavy gales with rain.
  - July 6. Main line interrupted for one hour and a half. Very heavy gales.
  - Aug. 5. Interruption at Bridgewater bridge, 6 hours.
  - „ 26. Main line interrupted. Very heavy gales; posts blown down.
  - Sept. 16. Main line and Mount Nelson interrupted: the former for a short time at 9 P.M., the latter injured by lightning; instruments had to be sent to the chief office for repair.

W. R. FALCONER, *Inspector of Telegraphs.*

*Electric Telegraph Department, Hobart Town,*  
18th September, 1867.