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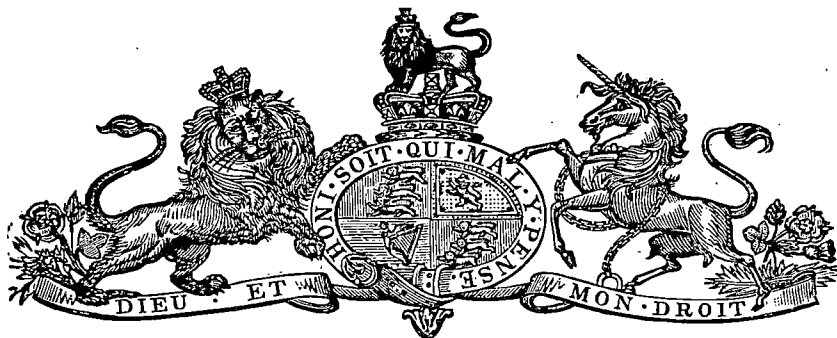
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LAUNCESTON FIRE BRIGADE BOARD :

REPORT FOR 1891.

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



*REPORT of the LAUNCESTON FIRE BRIGADE BOARD for the Year 1891.*

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*To His Excellency SIR ROBERT GEORGE CROOKSHANK HAMILTON, K.C.B.,  
Governor of the Island of Tasmania and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

*Brigade Staff.*

The Brigade has attended 30 fires and alarms during the year, and the average attendance of Firemen at these and at practice continue satisfactory. During the year the Board have established an Auxiliary Force, from which all vacancies in the Brigade will be filled. At present that Force consists of 8 members, who regularly attend drills and fires.

*Expenditure.*

The net expenditure for the year amounts to £726 9s. 6d., divided between the Government, Municipal Council, and Insurance Companies.

*Meetings.*

Eleven meetings of the Board were held during the year.

*Firemen at Exhibition.*

The Board, recognising the extent and value of goods at the Exhibition in Launceston, arranged with the Commissioners for two Firemen to be in attendance in the Building night and day during the time the Exhibition was open. The wages of the Firemen have been divided between the Board and the Commissioners.

*Fire Escape.*

The Board have had under consideration during the year the question of purchasing a Fire Escape ; but the Hobart Board having already one from England, it was deemed advisable to wait and inspect the same on arrival before completing arrangements.

H. WEEDON, *Chairman.*

*Launceston, March 28, 1892.*

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## LAUNCESTON FIRE BRIGADE BOARD.

*STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditure for Year ending December 31, 1891.*

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To contributions from Govern- ment on account of 1890 .....	92	9	11					By Balance from 1890.....	...				316	19	8
Ditto, Municipal Council...	92	9	11					Salaries—							
Ditto, Insurance Companies	93	0	3					Superintendent .....	100	0	0				
					278	0	1	Deputy .....	20	0	0				
Contributions from Govern- ment on account 1891 .....	145	3	4					Secretary .....	52	0	0		172	0	0
Ditto, Municipal Council	186	15	8					Wages—							
Ditto, Insurance Com- panies .....	186	16	0					Firemen and Watchmen	157	0	0				
					518	15	0	Allowances .....	171	2	9		328	2	9
Sale of hose .....	...				40	16	11	Rent—							
Exhibition Commissioners' proportion wages of Watch- men .....	...				15	0	0	Brisbane-street Tower ...	75	0	0				
Owners of uninsured property	...				8	10	0	Engine House.....	4	0	0		79	0	0
Unclaimed amounts .....	...				2	2	6	Assistance with reels.....	...				109	12	6
Balance .....	...				221	12	9	Horse hire .....	...				23	10	0
								General charges .....	...				12	10	10
								Municipal rates .....	...				11	2	2
								Repairs .....	...				9	18	9
								Interest .....	...				6	17	4
								Telephone .....	...				6	0	0
								Coroners' Fees .....	...				2	2	0
								Plant .....	...				0	18	9
								Printing and advertising ...	...				6	2	6
					£1084	17	3						£1084	17	3

Net Expenditure for 1891..... 726 9 6

Divided as follows:—

Government .....

City Council .....

Insurance Companies.....

726 9 6

H. WEEDON, *Chairman.*

FRANK LITTLER, *Secretary.*

*Launceston, February 11th, 1892.*

Examined and certified to be correct.

W. LOVETT, *Auditor-General.*

*13th February, 1892.*

STATEMENT of Fires, &c., attended by the Launceston Fire Brigade for the Year ending 31st December, 1891.

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.		
<b>1891.</b>										
Jan. 12	11 P.M.	Cimitiere-street	Hay merchant	T. Edginton	Brick	Considerable	Mutual	Derwent and Tamar	Open verdict	Unknown
14	3.35 P.M.	Brisbane-street	Storage for crates	G. Hubbard	...	No damage	Uninsured	Nil	None held	Unknown
24	3.45 P.M.	Main Line Railway	2 trucks of straw	W. Bewsher and T. Edginton	...	...	Uninsured	...	None held	Unknown
31	12.10 A.M.	Glen Dhu	Residence	Campbell	Wood	Considerable	...	...	...	Unknown
Feb. 1	1.30 A.M.	Elphin Road	Residence	Unoccupied	Wood	Considerable	Uninsured	Nil	None held	Unknown
4	11.20 P.M.	Cimitiere-street	Stable	G. Tutlow	Wood	Considerable	Derwent and Tamar	Nil	None held	Unknown
Mar. 4	1.30 A.M.	Sandhill	Stable & manufactory	Andrew & Seddon	Wood	Considerable	Cornwall Office	Uninsured	None held	Unknown
26	10.15 P.M.	Trevallyn	Residence	Mrs. Lee	Wood	Considerable	Mutual	Uninsured	None held	Unknown
11	8 P.M.	Charles-street	Furniture shop	J. O'Neil	Cases	None	Insured	Insured	None held	Unknown
11	9.45 P.M.	Newnham	Residence	Mrs. W. D. Grubb	Brick	Considerable	L. & L. & Globe	Cornwall	None held	Unknown
April 28	10 A.M.	Cataract Hill	Stable	W. Brickhill	Wood	Considerable	Uninsured	Uninsured	None held	Unknown
May 1	3 A.M.	St. John-street	Auctioneer	S. W. Margetts	Cask of straw	...	...	...	None held	Unknown
4	4.30 A.M.	Tamar-street	Bakery	— Watkins	Wood	Considerable	Commercial Union	Cornwall	None held	Unknown
7	3.45 A.M.	Wellington-street	Lime store	J. T. Farmilo	...	None	...	...	None held	Through water getting on lime
8	7 P.M.	Brisbane-street	Draper's shop	Farely & Stewart	Brick	Considerable	Derwent and Tamar	Commercial Union	None held	Unknown
9	7 P.M.	St. John-street	Residence	Levy	Brick	Considerable	Commercial Union	Commercial Union	None held	Unknown
9	10 P.M.	Margaret-street	Residence	J. Blackbourne	Wood	Slight	...	Uninsured	None held	Accidentally set on fire
June 21	2.30 A.M.	Eardley-street	Residence	G. Lee	Wood	Considerable	...	...	None held	Unknown
Aug. 9	10.30 P.M.	George-street	Residence	Mrs. Day	Wood	None	Mutual	Uninsured	None held	Chimney on fire
Sept. 1	5.40 P.M.	Brisbane-street	Grocer	M. Sampson	Brick	None	Cornwall	Mutual	None held	Chimney on fire
22	7 A.M.	John-street	Bank	G. Horne	Brick	Slight	Mutual	Mutual	None held	Through copper furnace
Oct. 9	11.50 P.M.	Windmill Hill	Residence	D. Armitage	Wood	Considerable	Mutual	Uninsured	None held	Unknown
26	7.30 P.M.	Wellington-street	Tannery	R. Gardiner	...	Slight	Derwent & Tamar and South British	Uninsured	None held	Roach lime
31	9.55 P.M.	John-street	Merchants	Barnard & Mackay	...	...	...	...	None held	Unknown
Nov. 12	10.45 A.M.	Percy-street	Stable	R. Beatty	Wood	Slight	Mutual	...	None held	Unknown
12	11.30 A.M.	Charles-street	House	A. Monaghan	Brick	Slight	Mutual	...	None held	Caught through chimney
Dec. 9	3 A.M.	Charles-street	Shop	W. M. Montgomerie	Brick	Considerable	Derwent and Tamar	Mutual Union	Open verdict	Unknown
27	8 P.M.	George-street	Residence	Mrs. Young	Brick	Slight	...	...	None held	Through chimney
28	12.45 A.M.	Charles-street	Shops	W. Anderson A. Monyhan	Brick	Considerable	L. & L. & G.	Commercial Union & New Zealand	None held	Unknown
31	3 P.M.	Brisbane-street	...	J. Ford A. J. Goodwin	Brick	Slight	L. & L. & G.	...	None held	Waste paper in a room

ROBERT BENNELL, Superintendent Fire Brigade.