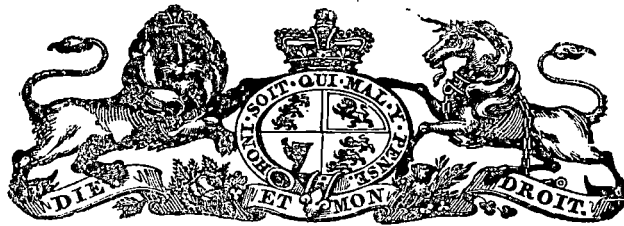


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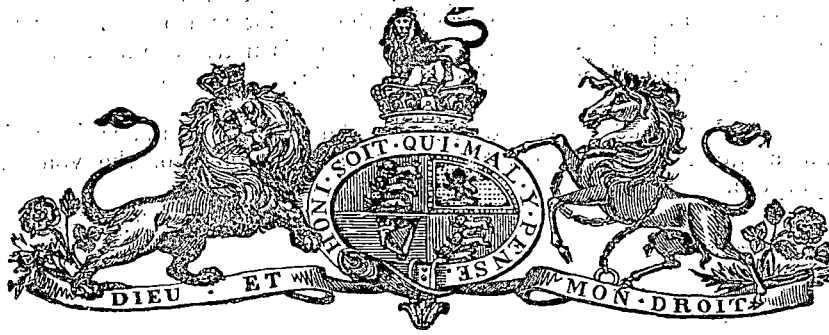
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MELBOURNE EXHIBITION :

PROGRESS REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS.

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July 21, 1881.



(1.)

To His Excellency SIR JOHN HENRY LEFROY, K.C.M.G., C.B.,  
Administrator of the Government of Tasmania.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

#### PROGRESS REPORT.

THE Commissioners appointed by His Excellency the Governor on the 3rd April, 1880, to make the necessary arrangements to secure the adequate representation of the Products and Manufactures of this Colony at the Melbourne International Exhibition of 1880, having now sent over to Melbourne all the Exhibits contributed by the Colonists, beg to present to Your Excellency a Report of the progress which they have made.

The products of Tasmania have been well arranged in the Tasmanian Court; under the auspices of the Honorary Executive Commissioner, Mr. Charles M. Officer, M.L.A. (Victoria), and the Caretaker, Mr. George Hubbard.

The Commissioners find that when the Executive Government first applied for space, it was not anticipated that a larger quantity of produce would be sent for exhibition to Melbourne than was sent to Sydney; and, consequently, only 2200 square feet of space were asked for, as was the case in the recent Exhibition in Sydney.

A larger number of Exhibits being sent in, the result is that the Tasmanian Court is inconveniently crowded with Exhibits.

The Commissioners have caused four thousand copies of the Catalogue of the Exhibits, which has been carefully prepared, to be sent to Melbourne for gratuitous distribution in the Tasmanian Court; and the opportunity has been seized by the Commissioners to prepare a full account of the various Mineral products of the Island to accompany a collection of the Minerals themselves, of which several hundred specimens have been attractively arranged by Mr. T. C. Just, M.H.A., one of the Commissioners.

In addition to Minerals the Commissioners have had trophies erected of the principal exportable products, viz.—Building Stones, Hardwood Timber, Tin, Hops, Basket Work, Shot, Biscuits, &c., and also a Whaleboat of Huon pine, which appears to meet with the approval of shipwrights and others well acquainted with good boat-building.

From want of space within the Court the Timber and Stone Trophies had to be erected outside, where, however, they attract much attention.

Reports have been already received that large orders for Hops for India, for Basket-work, for Shot, &c. have been received; whilst the energetic efforts of Mr. Robinson, of Okehampton Quarries, to bring under notice the splendid freestone of Tasmania, have, it is said, led to our stone being submitted for competition in the public works of Victoria.

Large Exhibits will be made by growers of our fine Wool, which has always received such high commendation and such Champion Gold Medals at previous Exhibitions; and the Commissioners expect confidently that the Tasmanian Wool Court will be one of the best in the Exhibition.

The Commissioners regret they were unable to induce the Jam Manufacturers of the Colony to make a larger exhibit of the industry, which for many years has been a large and increasing export.

They acknowledge the courtesy of Mr. Charles H. Grant, the General Manager of the Tasmanian Main Line Railway Company, in presenting a free pass on the line to the Launceston Canvasser, by which much expense was saved to the Commission.

The Commissioners trust Your Excellency will approve of their exertions to carry out the important duties entrusted to them. They believe that the appointment of Mr. Charles Officer, who has shown so great an interest in the Court of Exhibits from his native country, will conduce to the success of the present exposition of the industries of Tasmania.

The Commissioners have studied every economy in the expenditure under the various heads, in the wish to make a good display and yet to be within the limits of the vote of Parliament (£1500) for the purpose.

J. W. AGNEW, *President.*

HUGH M. HULL, *Secretary.*  
8th December, 1880.

(2.)

To His Excellency SIR JOHN HENRY LEPROY, *K.C.M.G.*,  
*Administrator of the Government of Tasmania.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

ON the 8th December last the Royal Commissioners appointed to make arrangements for the due representation of Tasmania at the Melbourne International Exhibition of 1880, had the honor to make a Progress Report to Your Excellency. In that Report they stated that they had made all the necessary preliminary arrangements, and that there were indications of a satisfactory response to the Circulars they addressed to Colonists.

2. The result has not disappointed them.

3. As in the Philadelphia Centennial Exhibition of 1875, and the Sydney Intercolonial Exhibition of 1879, so in the Melbourne International Exhibition of 1880, Tasmanian exhibits have more than held their own position; and the number of Exhibitors, and their varied products, have been highly satisfactory, as will be seen in this Report.

4. The principal exports of Tasmania are stated below, together with the value of each export in 1880, as compared with the previous year—

	1879.	1880.
	£	£
Wool .....	407,227	542,244
Gold .....	145,723	201,655
Tin .....	303,203	341,736
Grain .....	22,396	34,157
Bark .....	30,800	28,214
Hops .....	26,512	30,885
Timber .....	59,713	51,973
Jams and Fruit .....	151,802	134,674

Of all these there were many exhibits (with the exception of jams and fruit) which products, though holding a deservedly high position in the Colonial markets, and forming a very important item in our exports, are virtually shut out from Victoria by the high protective duties levied there upon these articles.

5. The products of Tasmania have taken numerous Prizes, as Your Excellency will see by the following Table of Awards extracted from the *Argus* newspaper report:—

Medals	{ Gold .....	3
	{ Silver .....	26
	{ Bronze .....	10
Awards of Merit, Class 1 .....	30	
	2 .....	32
	3 .....	20
	4 .....	15
	5 .....	6
Honorable Mention .....	9	

Besides Diplomas of Honor to the Commissioners.

*Tasmanian Tin* from Mount Bischoff, of which six tons were exhibited in smelted ingots, took first Prize, and compared most favourably with tin from the Straits Settlements, Sydney, and Queensland.

*Gold* was represented in a highly ornamental cabinet from many places in Tasmania, but mainly from Beaconsfield, which, as Your Excellency is aware, has produced more than £250,000 worth of gold since the workings commenced in July, 1878.

*Grain* took many first class prizes, and the various Exhibits were liberally distributed by their owners through the Executive Commissioner to farmers and Agricultural Societies in Victoria.

*Bark* took first prize, and attracted much attention from the Belgian Court, with which flourishing country there seems to be a valid hope of a direct trade in Wool, Bark, Hops, Timber, Minerals, and Furs.

*Building Stone* took first prize, and a permanent Exhibit has been made of Tasmanian Building Stone in the grounds of the Technological Museum in Melbourne.

*Hops* took many first prizes. This product has long been well known in Victoria, where it always commands a remunerative price.

*Boatbuilding* took a Silver Medal; and from the faithfulness with which the whaleboat was built by Lachlan Macquarie, orders for similar boats have been received.

Our *Oil, Shot, Timber, Ladies' Work, and Photographs* all received favourable Awards, so much so as to be highly gratifying to the Commissioners, Tasmania having received a larger number of Prize awards, in proportion to the number of Exhibits, than any other Court.

6. The appointment of Mr. Charles Officer, M.P., as Executive Commissioner for the Court of his native land led to the happiest results. His excellent management of the affairs of the Commission entitles him to the thanks of the community; and the Commissioners are pleased to note from the Press reports that a Gold Medal has been awarded to him by the Executive Commission in Melbourne.

A Gold Medal has also been awarded to the Honorable W. R. Giblin, the Premier of Tasmania.

The Caretaker of the Court in Melbourne, Mr. Hubbard, has performed his arduous duties in a zealous and business-like manner, and he receives a Silver Medal.

7. There is no doubt that Tasmanian interests will benefit largely by having taken part in these frequent International or Intercolonial Expositions; more especially as in all of them the Colony has taken up so high a position in regard to the sterling worth of the products that have been exhibited.

8. The only regret the Commissioners feel is, that they did not at first foresee the necessity for much more room than was applied for and allotted to the Tasmanian Court, and thus by preventing the overcrowding that took place, and which to some extent marred the proper display of the Exhibits, enabling the Colony to take even a far better place than she did in the "World's Show" in Melbourne. Greater space, greater liberality on the part of individual Exhibitors in preparing their products for exhibition, and a larger Parliamentary grant, would have placed the Tasmanian Court in a position to be envied by her far more wealthy and far more extensive fellow Colonies.

9. An interchange of Mineral and other Exhibits with other Colonies has been made. Enquiries having been made in regard to our highly ornamental timbers for exchange with Belgian products, a special collection has been made and presented through the Executive Government to the Consul-General for that Country, M. Gustave Beckx, of Melbourne.

The Commissioners, in forwarding this second Progress Report, trust to be able to close their labours at a very early date.

W. H. BURGESS,  
*Vice-President and Chairman of the Commission.*

12th July, 1881.

HUGH M. HULL, *Secretary.*

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## APPENDIX.

## AWARDS.

## TASMANIA.

## GOLD MEDALS.

The Hon. William R. Giblin, Premier.  
The Hon. J. W. Agnew, M.D., M.L.C., President.  
Charles M. Officer, Esq., M.P., Executive Commissioner.

## SILVER MEDALS.

Adye Douglas, Esq., M.H.A.,  
Wm. Henry Burgess, Esq., M.H.A., } Vice-Presidents.  
Hugh Munro Hull, Esq., J.P., Secretary.  
George Hubbard, Esq., Superintendent.

## BRONZE MEDAL.

Charles W. Rocher, Esq., Assistant Secretary.

## DIPLOMAS.

<i>Southern Commission :</i>	<i>Northern Commission :</i>
Audley Coote, Esq., M.H.A.	Henry Edgell, Esq.
Hon. T. C. Smart, M.L.C.	Henry E. Lette, Esq., M.H.A.
W. P. Green, Esq.	T. C. Just., Esq., M.H.A.
George Crisp, Esq.	Wm. Aikenhead, Esq.
Charles Dowdell, Esq.	Robert J. Sadler, Esq.
John Clark, Esq.	William Hart, Esq., M.H.A.
James Grant, Esq.	Hon. G. Gilmore, M.E.C.
Jas. M'Farlane, Esq.	W. Hartnoll, Esq.
Thos. Stephens, Esq., M.A.	James Scott, Esq., M.H.A.
W. A. Guesdon, Esq.	Hon. John Scott, M.L.C.
J. E. Addison, Esq.	Alfred Harrap, Esq.
Hon. A. M'Gregor, M.L.C.	

*Jury Section 1.*

2nd Order of Merit.—Meredith, L. A., Launceston, Flower Painting, water colors.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Sherwin, Emily, Launceston, Indian Ink Studies.  
5th Order of Merit.—Whitfield, W., Longford, Pen and Ink Sketches.  
5th Order of Merit.—Fenton, J., Launceston, Pen and Ink Illustrated History of Tasmania.  
5th Order of Merit.—Pybus, P. J., Hobart, Pencil Drawing.

*Jury Section 4.*

3rd Order of Merit.—Meredith, L. A., Launceston, Publications.  
3rd Order of Merit.—Walch Brothers and Birchall, Launceston, Publications.  
4th Order of Merit.—Barnard, J., Hobart, Printing.

*Jury Section 5.*

1st Order of Merit.—Anson Bros., Hobart, Portraits taken direct. Bronze medal.  
1st Order of Merit.—Bailey, H. H., Hobart, Portraits taken direct. Bronze medal.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Winter, A., Hobart, Portraits taken direct.  
3rd Order of Merit.—Hull, H. M., Hobart, Portraits taken direct.

*Jury Section 7.*

1st Order of Merit.—Leitch, D., Launceston, Dental pumps. Bronze medal.

*Jury Section 12.*

1st Order of Merit.—Robinson, R., Okehampton, Sandstone. Bronze medal.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Gillon, J. & Sons, Hobart, Grindstones.  
4th Order of Merit.—Lyll and Gowan, Slateport, Slates.  
Hon. Mention.—Commissioners for Tasmania, Hobart, Building Stone.

*Jury Sections 13 and 22.*

1st Order of Merit.—Grubb Bros., Hobart, Wattle Bark. Bronze medal.  
1st Order of Merit.—M'Gregor, A., Hobart, Sperm Oil. Bronze medal.  
1st Order of Merit.—Walden, James, Launceston, Yola Bird Oil, Neatsfoot Oil, Yola Tallow, Seal Oil. Bronze medal.  
3rd Order of Merit.—Frith, J., Launceston, Wattle Bark.  
4th Ditto.—Murray, W., Hobart, Soap and Candles.  
Hon. Mention.—Simpson, H., Hobart, Candles.  
Ditto.—Mitchell, Miss, Lisdillon, Gum.  
Ditto.—Roberts, H., Long Bay, Fish Manure.

*Jury Section 14.*

2nd Order of Merit.—Rout, W. J., Launceston, Brushware.  
3rd Ditto.—Bridges, J., Hobart, Basket Work.  
4th Ditto.—Wood, C. J., Formosa, Wood Carving.  
Ditto.—Wignall, B., Hobart, Basket Work.

*Jury Section 15.*

4th Order of Merit.—The Kensington Hat Company, Hobart, Felt Hats.

*Jury Section 16.*

4th Order of Merit.—Bulman & Johnston, Launceston, Shawls.

*Jury Section 18.*

Hon. Mention.—Royal Society of Tasmania, Hobart, Tasmanian Devils.  
Ditto.—Reed, F. H., Evandale, Birds' Eggs.  
Ditto.—The Commissioners, Hobart, Salmon Trout (stuffed).

*Jury Section 19.*

1st Order of Merit.—Royal Society of Tasmania, Hobart, Specimens of Woods. Certificate equal to silver.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Burgoyne, J., Hobart, Casks. Silver medal.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Commissioners for Tasmania, Hobart, Specimens of Tasmanian Timber.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Risby, J. E., Hobart, Trophy of Gum Woods.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Johnston, Wm., Hobart, Oil Cask.  
Ditto.—Bridges, J., ditto, Willows.  
3rd Ditto.—Elliot, G. B., Blackwood Plank.  
Ditto.—Stephens, Thomas, Hobart, Specimens of Woods of Tasmania.  
3rd Order of Merit.—Tatlow, Anthony, Circular Head, Blackwood Oil Staves.  
3rd Order of Merit.—Barrett, Joseph, Launceston, Willows.  
4th Ditto.—Douglas, Adye, M.H.A., ditto, Veneers of Tasmanian Woods.  
4th Order of Merit.—Hooper, G., Hobart, Huon Pine.  
Ditto.—Laing, J., Launceston, Veneers and Myrtle Wood.  
Ditto.—Smith, Jas., Westwood, Pine from River Forth.  
Ditto.—Jones, A., Launceston, Willows.  
Ditto.—Wignall, B., Hobart, ditto.

*Jury Section 21.*

1st Order of Merit.—Gibson, James, Belle Vue, Merino Wool (unwashed). Silver medal.  
1st Order of Merit.—Kermode, W. A., Mona Vale, Wool. Silver medal.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Gibson, W. & Son, Scone, Merino Wool (washed). Silver medal.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Keach, G. W., Chiswick, Ross, Merino Wool (unwashed). Silver medal.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Gibson, W., & Son, Scone, ditto. Silver medal.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Gibson, W., & Son, Scone, ditto. Silver medal.  
3rd Order of Merit.—Parramore, T., Ross, ditto. Ditto.

*Jury Section 23.*

5th Order of Merit.—Birchall, A. W., Launceston, made-up Furs of Opossums.  
5th Order of Merit.—Templar, W., Perth, Angora Muffs.

*Jury Sections 24 and 25.*

2nd Order of Merit.—Crawford, Henry, Evandale, Harrows.

*Jury Section 26.*

4th Order of Merit.—Leitch, D., Launceston, Water Motor.  
5th Ditto.—Thomas, D., Perth, Sheep-marking Instruments.

*Jury Section 28.*

1st Order of Merit.—Moir, J. G., Hobart, Lead Shot. Silver medal.  
1st Order of Merit.—Commissioners for Tasmania, Launceston, Tin. Certificate equal to silver.  
2nd Order of Merit.—Commissioners for Tasmania, Launceston, Minerals.  
3rd Order of Merit.—Steiglitz, F. Von, Launceston, Coal.  
Ditto.—Coote, Captain Audley, Hobart, ditto.

4th Order of Merit.—Brooke, R. P., New Town, Coal.  
 Hon. Mention.—Crawford, H., Evandale, Horse Shoes,  
 hand made.  
 Hon. Mention.—Nolan, J., Tasmanite.  
 Ditto.—Simpson, A., Launceston, Gold.  
 Ditto.—Taylor, A. J., Map of Tasmania, showing  
 auriferous deposits.

*Jury Section 30.*

1st Order of Merit.—Macquarie, Lachlan, Hobart, Whale  
 Boat. Silver Medal.

*Jury Section 31.*

1st Order of Merit.—Pitt, T. & G., Hobart, Barley, No. 4.  
 Silver Medal.  
 1st Order of Merit.—Dalgety & Co., Launceston, Barley,  
 No. 2. Silver medal.  
 1st Order of Merit.—Edginton, T., Launceston, Oats  
 (milling). Silver medal.  
 1st Order of Merit.—Reed, F. H., Evandale, Oats (milling).  
 Silver Medal.  
 1st Order of Merit.—Edginton, T., Launceston, Oats (feed).  
 Silver medal.  
 1st Order of Merit.—Cox, J., Clarendon, Oats (feed).  
 Silver medal.  
 1st Order of Merit.—Sharland, W. C., New Norfolk, Hops  
 (golding). Silver medal.  
 1st Order of Merit.—Shoobridge Bros., New Norfolk, Hops  
 (early grapes). Silver medal.  
 1st Order of Merit.—Nicholson, T., Hydehurst, Hops. Ditto.  
 Ditto.—Downie & Co., New Norfolk, ditto. Ditto.  
 Ditto.—Walden, J., Launceston, Horse Beans. Bronze  
 medal.  
 Ditto.—Walden, J., Partridge Pea. Ditto.  
 Ditto.—Smith, J. L., Cambock, ditto. Ditto.  
 Ditto.—Walden, J., Launceston, White Pea. Ditto.  
 Ditto.—Reed, F. H., Evandale, ditto. Ditto.  
 Ditto.—Walden, J., Launceston, Blue Pea. Ditto.  
 Ditto.—Edginton, J., ditto, ditto. Ditto.  
 Ditto.—Hingston, W. J., Cressy, Grass Seed (new grain).  
 Bronze medal.  
 1st Order of Merit.—French, J., Glenore, ditto. Ditto.  
 2nd Order of Merit.—Edginton, J., Launceston, Oats (feed).  
 Ditto.—Horne, R., Exton, ditto.  
 Ditto.—Dalgety & Co., Launceston, Oats (milling).  
 Ditto.—Smith, J. L., Cambock, ditto.  
 Ditto.—Collins, D., Evandale, Barley, No. 1.  
 Ditto.—Ritchie, D., Launceston, Oatmeal.  
 Ditto.—Monds, T., Carrick, Flour.  
 Ditto.—Shoobridge Bros., New Norfolk, Hops (golding).  
 Ditto.—Allwright, T., ditto, ditto.  
 Ditto.—Shoobridge Bros., ditto, Hops (late grapes).  
 Ditto.—Nicholson, H., ditto, Hops.  
 Ditto.—Jeffrey, R., ditto, ditto.  
 Ditto.—Downie & Co., ditto, ditto.  
 Ditto.—Reed, F. H., Evandale, Partridge Pea.  
 Ditto.—Hingston, W. J., Cressy, White Pea.  
 Ditto.—Bowman, F. G., Cheshunt, Grass Seed (Italian),  
 new grain.

2nd Order of Merit.—Wilmore, J., Longford, Grass Seed  
 (Italian), new grain.

Ditto.—Dosseter, W. J., Hobart, Wheat.  
 Ditto.—Pitt, T. & G., ditto, ditto.  
 Ditto.—Gibson, W. G., ditto, ditto.

3rd Ditto.—Haywood, C. D., ditto, Biscuits.

Ditto.—Dosseter, W. J., ditto, Flour.  
 Ditto.—Moore, J. A., New Norfolk, Hops.  
 Ditto.—Nicholson, T., ditto, ditto.  
 Ditto.—Reed, F. H., Evandale, Blue Pea.  
 Ditto.—Walls, J., Bishopsbourne, Wheat.  
 Ditto.—Dalgety & Co., Launceston, ditto.  
 Ditto.—Hingston, W. J., Cressy, ditto.  
 Ditto.—Dalgety & Co., Launceston, ditto.

4th Order of Merit.—Reed, F. H., Evandale, ditto.

*Jury Section 34a.*

1st Order of Merit.—Kelly & Gordon, Hobart, Raspberry.  
 Bronze medal.

2nd Order of Merit.—Ditto, ditto, Cloves.

Ditto.—Weaver & Co., ditto, Ginger Brandy.  
 Ditto.—Kelly & Gordon, ditto, Tonic Water.  
 Ditto.—Ditto, ditto, Ginger Ale.  
 Ditto.—Weaver & Co., ditto, Tonic Wines.  
 Ditto.—Kelly & Gordon, ditto, Peppermint.

*Jury Section 36.*

1st Order of Merit.—Thomas, D., Perth, Garden Clippers.  
 Bronze Medal.

*Ladies' Jury Section.*

1st Order of Merit.—Maddock, Miss R. E., Hobart, Lace-  
 work Collar. Certificate.

1st Order of Merit.—Cleveland, Miss C., Launceston, Lace-  
 work. Certificate.

1st Order of Merit.—Thornton, Mrs. W., Hobart,  
 Embroidery on silk, satin and velvet. Certificate.

1st Order of Merit.—\*Johnston, Mrs., Hobart, Wax Models  
 of Fruit. Bronze medal.

1st Order of Merit.—Way, T. B., Hobart, Splash-work on  
 wood.

1st Order of Merit.—Andrews, Mrs. M. A., Hobart,  
 Spatterie-work on wood.

1st Order of Merit.—Hope, Miss L., Hobart, Painting on  
 wood.

1st Order of Merit.—Hope, Miss M., ditto, ditto.

Ditto.—Hull, Miss M. A., ditto, ditto.

Ditto.—Dowdell, Miss A., ditto, ditto.

Ditto.—Brent, Miss R., ditto, ditto.

Ditto.—Huxtable, Miss, ditto, Lace Handkerchief.

2nd Order of Merit.—Andrews, Mrs. M. A., ditto, Crochet,  
 Quilts, and Banner-screen of cloth applique.

3rd Order of Merit.—Beedham, Miss, Hobart, Lace-work  
 Collar.

3rd Order of Merit.—Windsor, Miss K., Sandy Bay,  
 Embroidery.

3rd Order of Merit.—Evans, Mrs., Long Bay, Counter-  
 pane of Berlin wool work.

HUGH M. HULL, *Secretary.*

\*Should be "Tasmanian Commissioners."