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SUBMARINE CABLE COMPANY.

LETTER FROM MANAGER.

Laid upon the Table by the Colonial Treasurer, and ordered by the House to be printed, September 13, 1870.



7. *Ordered*, That there be laid upon this Table a Return of the number and names of Employés of the Submarine Construction and Maintenance Company connected with the working of the Cable connecting Tasmania and Victoria; the nature of employment and the salary paid therefor of each such employé of the Company; and the amount and nature of the incidental and all other expenses connected with the working of the said Cable. (*Mr. Davies.*)
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*Tasmania and Victoria Submarine Telegraph, Launceston, Tasmania,
12th September, 1870.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 9th, in which you enclose a copy of the Votes and Proceedings of the House of Assembly, and at the same time ask that I will furnish you with a large amount of information respecting the working, &c. of the Submarine Cable, so that the Government may be able to comply with the Order of the House.

In reply, I beg to say it is out of my power to comply with your request, as I have not in my possession all the information asked for; but I will forward a copy of your letter to England by the next Mail, and upon hearing from our Managing Directors will immediately address you according to instructions.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

JOHN WILSON BLACKETT, *Manager.*

*The Hon. THOS. D. CHAPMAN, M.H.A.,
Colonial Treasurer, Hobart Town.*