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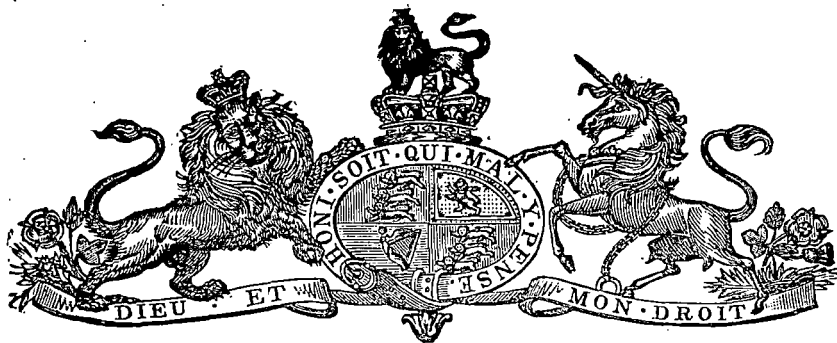
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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

LAUNCESTON FIRE BRIGADE BOARD :

REPORT FOR 1889.

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



REPORT of the LAUNCESTON FIRE BRIGADE BOARD for the Year 1889.

*To His Excellency SIR ROBERT GEORGE CROOKSHANK HAMILTON,
K.C.B., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Tasmania.*

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 Staff consists of Superintendent, Deputy, and 24 Firemen; and the attendance at fires, alarms, and practices has been very satisfactory. The Brigade has attended 18 fires and alarms during the year—this number being considerably below the average of previous years—particulars of which are given in the accompanying Report of the Superintendent.

Plant and Buildings.

A Bell-station has been erected at Inveresk during the year, also a Reel-house on the Windmill Hill. Considerable additions have been made to the plant, which is reported by the Superintendent as being in a satisfactory condition.

Expenditure.

The net expenditure for the year has been £715 14s. 3d.

Superintendent.

Mr. C. G. Croft, who has held the position of Superintendent of Fire Brigades under the Board from the date of its establishment, has resigned his appointment owing to ill-health. In accepting Mr. Croft's resignation, the Board passed a resolution expressing their thanks to him for the services rendered to the Fire Brigades in Launceston for many years.

Meetings.

Twelve meetings of the Board—the members of which are the same as indicated in last Report—have been held during the year.

H. WEEDON, *Chairman.*

Launceston, 31st December, 1889.

LAUNCESTON FIRE BRIGADE BOARD.

STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditure for Year ending 31st December, 1889.

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To contributions from Govern- ment on account of 1888.....	93	9	9				
Ditto, Municipal Council...	54	13	10				
Ditto, Insurance Companies	54	3	9				
				202	7	4	
Contributions from Govern- ment on account of 1889....	92	2	6				
Ditto, Municipal Council	147	6	6				
Ditto, Insurance Com- panies	147	5	11				
Ditto, Owners uninsured properties.....	14	15	0				
Amounts unclaimed.....	0	19	6				
				402	9	5	
Balance.....	...			332	12	0	
				£937	8	9	

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Balance from 1888.....	...				206	0	0
Salaries—							
Superintendent.....	100	0	0				
Deputy	26	0	0				
Secretary	52	0	0				
				178	0	0	
Wages—							
Firemen.....	...			114	0	0	
Attendances at fires and alarms.....	...			53	2	6	
Plant.....	...			109	18	0	
Inveresk Tower .....	...			100	17	6	
Rent—							
Brisbane-street Tower.....	75	0	0				
Engine House	4	0	0				
				79	0	0	
Assistance with reels, fires and alarms .....	...			40	16	0	
Repairs .....	...			13	11	4	
Horse hire .....	...			11	5	0	
Municipal rates .....	...			11	2	2	
General charges.....	...			6	18	3	
Telephone.....	...			6	0	0	
Printing and advertising .....	...			4	0	0	
Interest.....	...			2	18	0	
				£937	8	9	

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Net Expenditure for 1889.....	...			715	14	3
Divided as follows—						
H.M. Government.....	238	11	5			
Insurance Companies.....	238	11	5			
Municipal Council	238	11	5			
				<u>715</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>3</u>

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H. WEEDON, *Chairman.*

FRANK LITTLER, *Secretary.*

Launceston, 31st December, 1889.

Examined and certified to be correct.

W. LOVETT, *Auditor-General.*
14th February, 1890.

STATEMENT of Fires, &c. attended by the Launceston Fire Brigade for the Year ending 31st December, 1889.

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.		
1889.										
Feb. 7	5 A.M.	York-street	Builders	Russell & Sons	Wood & brick	Slight	Cornwall	Cornwall	None held	Unknown
7	8 P.M.	Frederick-street	Butcher	S. R. Merrett	Wood	Considerable	Derwent and Tamar	Uninsured	...	Unknown
10	5.10 A.M.	Lyttleton-street	Dwelling	* J. Flett & † Mrs. M'Killop	Wood	Considerable	* Uninsured † L. & L. & Globe	Uninsured	...	Unknown
25	2.45 P.M.	Clarence-street	Paddock	Mr. Pratt	Fence	Slight	—	Uninsured	...	Burning rubbish
April 18	3 A.M.	Galvin-street	Dwelling	Mr. Wilson	Wood	Slight	Derwent and Tamar	Uninsured	...	Unknown
May 23	5.30 P.M.	Brisbane-street	Draper's shop	Mrs. Nickols	Brick	Slight	Tasmanian	New Zealand	...	Unknown
25	1.15 P.M.	Charles-street	Dwelling	Dr. Murphy	Brick	Slight	L. & L. & Globe	Uninsured	...	Linen caught fire
27	9.30 P.M.	Brisbane-street	Furniture ware-house	Dempster & Pearce	Wood	Slight	Uninsured	Uninsured	...	Unknown
June 9	1.5 P.M.	Lawrence-street	Dwelling	Mr. Cootes	Wood	Slight	Derwent and Tamar	Tasmanian	...	Unknown
26	9.30 A.M.	Balfour-street	Dwelling	Mr. Egan	Brick	Slight	L. & L. & Globe	Uninsured	...	Chimney
Aug. 5	7.50 P.M.	George's Square	Dwelling	T. Suitor	Wood	Considerable	Uninsured	Uninsured	...	Set on fire by a child
Dec. 4	8 A.M.	William-street	Publican	E. Holebane	Brick	Slight	Mutual	Northern	...	Chimney
13	12 P.M.	Wharf	Merchant	J. Walden	Wood	Slight	Derwent and Tamar	L. & L. & Globe	...	Chimney

ROBERT BENNELL, *Superintendent.*