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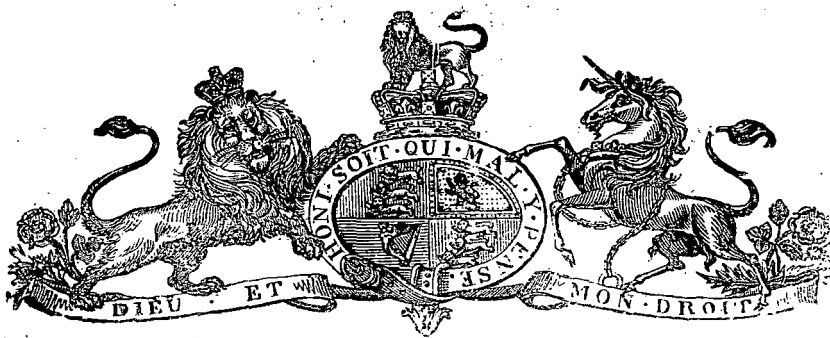
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TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT of the Inspector of Constabulary Forces of Municipalities for the Year ending 30 June, 1878.

Office of Inspector of Police, 7th October, 1878.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to furnish my Annual Report on the state of the Municipal Police for the information of His Excellency the Governor.

The total strength on the 30th June was as follows:—

Superintendents	21
Sub-Inspectors	20
Acting Sub-Inspectors	7
Detectives	3
Sergeants	13
Constables	97
Specials	12
TOTAL	173

The comparative return for the past three years shows a gradual decrease in crime, as well as in all offences excepting drunkenness:—

Year.	Indictable Offences.			Offences determined Summarily.			
	Number reported to Police.	Number apprehended.	Number Committed or summarily Convicted.	Drunkenness.		Offences against Police Act and Bye-laws.	
				Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.
1875 and 6	782	446	336	828	387	1294	474
1876 and 7	744	427	323	731	356	1197	456
1877 and 8	733	433	336	807	376	1032	386

There are no important alterations to record in the arrangements of the Police, but there has been a movement in more than one Municipality which will probably be followed by the employment of a slightly augmented Force.

The usual tabular Return is furnished with the accompanying Report in detail.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

JOHN SWAN, Inspector of Police.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

BOTHWELL.—(*Established 31st January, 1863.*)

Strength of Force 4

No change has been made in this Force since my last Report. This Force is not, in my opinion, quite strong enough to afford reasonable protection to the property of the inhabitants residing away from the Township of Bothwell.

There was a slight decrease in the number of indictable offences reported to the Police, as well as in the number of persons charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, but a considerable increase in the number of persons charged with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws. During the year 6 indictable offences were reported, for which 6 persons were apprehended, all of whom were committed for trial. 22 males and 15 females were charged with being drunk and disorderly, and 33 males and 7 females with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws.

The Superintendent is Bailiff of the Court of Requests, Inspector of Stock, and Examiner of Weights and Measures.

ROSS.—(*Established 17th February, 1863.*)

Strength of Force 3

There has been no change in this Force during the year.

10 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 5 persons were apprehended, all of whom were convicted. 20 males and 7 females were charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and 9 males and 3 females with breaches of the Police Act and Bye-laws.

The Superintendent also holds the office of Council Clerk.

FINGAL.—(*Established 27th February, 1863.*)

Strength of Force 8

There was no change during the year in the numerical strength of this Force. One Constable had resigned.

There was a considerable reduction in all kinds of offences as compared with last year. 30 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 11 persons were apprehended,—8 of whom were summarily convicted. 32 males and 11 females were charged with drunkenness, and 22 males and 12 females with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws. One publican was fined for a breach of the Licensing Act.

The Superintendent is Bailiff of the Court of Requests, Bailiff of Crown Lands, Town Surveyor, Inspector of Stock, and Examiner of Weights and Measures.

NEW NORFOLK.—(*Established 17th March, 1863.*)

Strength of Force 7

There has been no change in the numerical strength of this Force during the year. Two Constables had resigned, and one had been discharged.

Indictable offences had increased but other offences had decreased.

35 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 16 persons were apprehended,—all of whom were committed for trial or summarily convicted. 80 males and 24 females were charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct; 84 males and 22 females with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws.

No publicans were proceeded against under the Licensing Act.

HAMILTON.—(*Established 13th September, 1863.*)

Strength of Force 6

This Force still remains unaltered.

Indictable offences had increased, but other offences had decreased. 17 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 7 persons were apprehended,—4 of whom were summarily convicted or committed for trial. 16 males and 5 females were charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and 35 males and 5 females with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws. One publican was proceeded against for a breach of the Licensing Act.

The Superintendent is Town Surveyor, Inspector of Stock, Examiner of Weights and Measures, and Bailiff of the Court of Requests.

BRIGHTON.—(*Established 19th November, 1863.*)

Strength of Force—Effectives..... 4
Specials 1

This Force has been increased by the appointment of a Constable. One Constable had been dismissed, and another had resigned.

17 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 12 persons were apprehended,—all of whom were summarily convicted or committed for trial. 42 males and 10 females were charged with being drunk and disorderly, and 45 males and 16 females with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws. Three publicans were fined under the provisions of the Licensing Act.

The Superintendent is Bailiff of the Court of Requests, Bailiff of Crown Lands, Town Surveyor, Inspector of Stock, and Examiner of Weights and Measures.

WESTBURY.—(*Established 15th December, 1863.*)

Strength of Force 8

One Constable had resigned.

There was an increase in the number of indictable offences, but a decrease in other offences. 50 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 17 persons were apprehended, 13 of whom were summarily convicted. 103 males and 26 females were charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and 43 males and 11 females with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws.

The Superintendent is Bailiff of the Court of Requests, Inspector of Stock, Examiner of Weights and Measures, and Poundkeeper.

DELORAINÉ.—(*Established 18th December, 1863.*)

Strength of Force 5

The numerical strength of this Force remains unaltered.

There was an increase in the number of persons charged with drunkenness, and with offences against the Police Act, but a decrease in the number of indictable offences reported. 46 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 20 persons were apprehended, 13 of whom were committed for trial or summarily convicted. 54 males and 24 females were charged with being drunk and disorderly, and 23 males and 2 females with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws.

One publican was fined for a breach of the Licensing Act.

The Superintendent is Bailiff of the Court of Requests, Bailiff of Crown Lands, Inspector of Stock, and Examiner of Weights and Measures.

EVANDALE.—(*Established 29th December, 1865.*)

Strength of Force 7

No change has been made in this Force since my last Report.

Indictable offences were the same as last year, but there was an increase in the number of persons charged with drunkenness, and with offences against the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws. 8 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 6 persons were apprehended, all of whom were convicted. 34 males and 4 females were charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and 52 males and 5 females with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws. No proceedings were taken against publicans under the Licensing Act.

The Superintendent is also Council Clerk.

CAMPBELL TOWN.—(*Established, 18th September, 1866.*)

Strength of Force—Effectives 6
Special 1

This Force has been reduced by one Special Constable.

Indictable offences and the number of persons charged with drunkenness had increased, but the number of persons charged with breaches of the Police Act had decreased. 47 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 41 persons were apprehended, 35 of whom were committed for trial or summarily convicted. 24 males and 17 females were convicted of being drunk and disorderly, and 15 males and 18 females with breaches of the Police Act and Bye-laws. No proceedings were taken against publicans under the Licensing Act.

The Superintendent is also Council Clerk.

I consider that two additional Constables are required.

GLENORCHY.—(*Established 30th June, 1864.*)

Strength of Force 5

There were no resignations or dismissals from this Force during the year.

There was an increase in the number of persons charged with breaches of the Police Act and Bye-laws, but a decrease in other offences. 12 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 10 persons were apprehended, all of whom were committed for trial or summarily convicted. 5 males and 5 females were charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and 50 males and 9 females with offences against the Police Act and Bye-laws. Five publicans were charged with breaches of the Licensing Act and fined.

The Superintendent is Council Clerk and Registrar of the Court of Requests. The Sub-Inspector is Bailiff of the Court of Requests.

OATLANDS.—(*Established 9th January, 1862.*)Strength of Force--Effectives 6
Specials 1

A Special Constable had been appointed to this Force since my last Report, with a salary of £5 per annum. A Sub-Inspector had been dismissed for misconduct.

Indictable offences and offences under the Police Act were about the same as last year, but the number of persons charged with drunkenness had decreased. During the year 30 indictable offences were reported to the Police, for which 4 persons were apprehended, all of whom were committed for trial or summarily convicted. 22 males and 10 females were charged with being drunk and disorderly, and 20 males and 9 females with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws. One publican was convicted of a breach of the Licensing Act.

The Superintendent is Bailiff of the Court of Requests, Town Surveyor, Inspector of Stock, and Crown Bailiff.

RICHMOND.—(*Established 1st August, 1861.*)

Strength of Force 7

No change has been made in this Force during the past two years.

Indictable offences and offences against the Police Act had increased, but drunkenness had decreased. 25 indictable offences were reported, for which 18 persons were apprehended, 10 of whom were committed for trial or summarily convicted. 37 males and 12 females were charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and 59 males and 6 females with breaches of the Police Act and Municipal Bye-laws. One publican had been fined for a breach of the Licensing Act.

The Superintendent is Inspector of Stock, Examiner of Weights and Measures, and Town Surveyor. A Sub-Inspector is Bailiff of the Court of Requests.

ESTABLISHED POLICE FORCES IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF TASMANIA ON JUNE 30, 1878.

MUNICIPALITIES.	Establishment.	Detail of Ranks.							Rates of Annual Pay.			Rates of Daily Pay.							REMARKS.
		Superintendents.	Sub-Inspectors.	Acting Sub-Inspectors.	Detectives.	Sergeants.	Constables.	Special Constables.	Superintendents.	Sub-Inspectors.	Specials.	Sub-Inspectors.	Acting Sub-Inspectors.	Detectives.	Sergeants.	Constables, 1st Class.	Constables, 2nd Class.	Special Constables when on Duty.	
								£	£	£	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.		
Hobart Town.....	38	1	2	1	2	4	28	—	314	164	—	—	7 3	7 3	7 0	6 0	5 6	—	With uniform in addition to pay. No quarters.
Launceston.....	19	1	1	—	1	2	12	2	275	175	—	—	—	6 9	7 3	6 6	—	7 9	With uniform in addition to pay. The Superintendent, Sub-Inspector, and a Constable have quarters.
Glamorgan.....	5	1	—	—	—	1	3	150	—	25	—	—	—	—	5 6	—	5 0	—	Without uniform. Two Special Constables have quarters.
Spring Bay.....	6	1	1	—	—	—	2	2	182	—	10	5 9	—	—	—	5 0	—	6 0	Without uniform. The Sub-Inspector, one Constable, and the Special Constables have quarters.
Clarence.....	6	1	—	—	—	1	2	2	200	—	10	—	—	—	5 6	5 0	—	5 0	Cost of uniform deducted. The Superintendent has 25l. a year forage allowance. The Sergeant and two Constables have quarters.
Longford.....	8	1	—	—	—	1	6	—	125	—	—	—	—	—	5 3	5 3	2 9	—	With uniform. Two Constables who are Watch-house Keepers receive pay at the rate of 50l. per annum. The Superintendent has forage allowance 25l. and two Constables 20l. each per annum. With the exception of one Constable the Force has quarters.
Green Ponds.....	7	1	1	—	—	1	4	—	185	—	—	6 0	—	—	5 6	5 0	—	—	Uniform in addition. The Superintendent, Sub-Inspector, Sergeant, and two Constables have quarters.
Sorell.....	5	1	—	—	—	1	3	—	170	—	—	—	—	—	6 7	6 0	3 5	—	With uniform. Two Constables are mounted, and three have quarters.
Bothwell.....	4	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	190	—	—	—	—	—	—	5 0	—	—	With uniform in addition to two Constables. All the Constables have quarters. The Superintendent has 25l. per annum forage allowance.
Ross.....	3	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	110	—	—	5 6	—	—	—	5 0	—	—	Without uniform. The Superintendent and Sub-Inspector have quarters, and the Superintendent has 25l. forage allowance per annum.
Pingal.....	8	1	3	1	—	1	2	—	150	—	—	5 9	5 0	—	5 4	5 0	—	—	Without uniform. The Superintendent has 25l. and the Sub-Inspectors and Constables 12l. 10s. a year forage allowance. All the Force have quarters.
New Norfolk.....	7	1	1	—	—	1	4	—	155	—	—	5 9	—	—	5 6	5 0	—	—	Without uniform. The Superintendent has 25l. a year forage allowance. The Superintendent, Sub-Inspector, Sergeant, and a Constable have quarters.
Hamilton.....	6	1	2	2	—	—	1	—	160	—	—	5 3	—	—	—	5 0	—	—	Without uniform. The Sub-Inspectors and Acting Sub-Inspectors have 10l. a year each forage allowance. All the Force have quarters.
Brighton.....	5	1	—	—	—	—	3	1	160	—	10	—	—	—	—	4 9	—	5 0	Cost of uniform deducted. With the exception of the Superintendent the Force has quarters.
Westbury.....	8	1	—	2	—	—	5	—	175	—	—	—	5 3	—	—	5 0	—	—	With uniform in addition. The Superintendent has 25l. a year forage allowance. With the exception of the Superintendent the Force has quarters.
Deloraine.....	5	1	1	—	—	—	3	—	150	—	—	6 6	—	—	—	5 0	—	—	With uniform. Superintendent has 37l. forage allowance, and two Constables 7l. 10s. Except one Constable the Force has quarters.
Evandale.....	7	1	1	1	—	—	4	—	100	100	—	6 0	5 6	—	—	5 6	—	—	Without uniform. The Superintendent has 15l. a year forage allowance; the Acting Sub-Inspector and two Constables 5l. The Sub-Inspector, Acting Sub-Inspector, and the Constables have quarters.
Campbell Town....	7	1	2	—	—	—	3	1	20	—	10	7 6	—	—	—	5 6	—	5 0	Without uniform. The Superintendent has 25l. a year forage allowance, and a Sub-Inspector 8l. The permanent members of the Force have quarters.
Glenorchy.....	5	1	1	—	—	1	2	—	150	105.	—	—	—	—	5 0	5 0	—	—	Cost of uniform deducted. The Superintendent has 26l. a year forage allowance, and the Sub-Inspector and one Constable have quarters.
Oatlands.....	7	1	1	—	—	—	4	1	130	—	5	4 9	—	—	—	4 6	—	—	With uniform. The Superintendent receives 20l. forage allowance, the Sub-Inspector and one Constable 10l. All the Force have quarters.
Richmond.....	7	1	2	—	—	—	4	—	182	—	—	5 9	—	—	—	4 10	—	—	Cost of uniform deducted. All the Force have quarters.

JOHN SWAN, Inspector of Police.