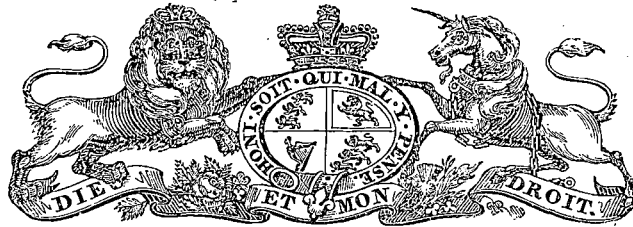


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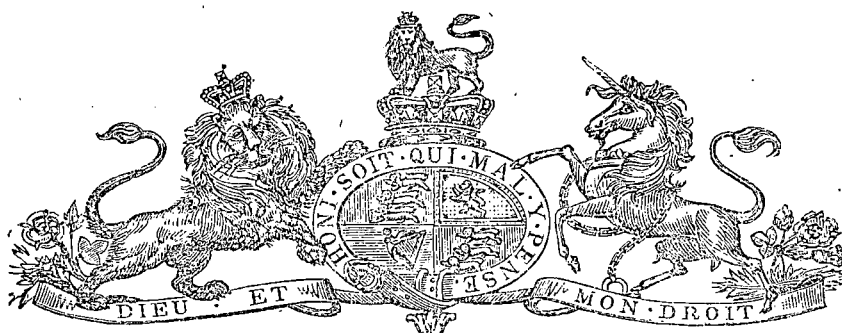
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POLICE DEPARTMENT:

REPORT FOR 1899.

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1899.

Hobart, 31st March, 1900.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to submit this my first Annual Report upon the Centralised Police Force for the Colony of Tasmania for the year 1899.

1. By the operations of "The Police Regulation Act, 1898," 62 Vict. No. 48, the Territorial and Municipal Police, existing on the 31st December, 1898, became, on the 1st January, 1899, an amalgamated Force, under the designation of the Police Force of Tasmania, and my appointment as Commissioner dated from that date. Centralisation of Police.

2. The strength of the Force on the 31st December, 1898, and on the 31st December, 1899, is shown in the following Table:— Strength.

FORCE.	Commissioner.	Inspecting Superintendent.	Relieving Superintendent.	Superintendents.	Sub-Inspectors.	Sergeants.	Constables.	Special Constables.	TOTAL.
Territorial	1	1	...	7	12	3	89	10	123
Municipal .....	...	...	...	21	25	21	78	2	147
Total on 31st December, 1898	1	1	...	28	37	24	167	12	270
Tasmanian Police Force, 31st December, 1899	1	1	1	14	29	19	170	11	246
Casualties during the year—									
Resigned or Retired on Gratuity .....	...	...	...	2	4	...	11	7	24
Transferred to other Departments .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	5	...	6
Dismissed .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Deceased .....	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	2
TOTAL .....	...	...	...	3	5	...	19	7	34
Appointments during the year .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	7	10

The decrease in the strength of the Force for 1899 was 24.

The strength and distribution of the Force on the 31st December, 1899, is shown in Appendix A. Strength and distribution. Appendix A.

Amalgama-
tion of
Districts.

3. On the centralisation of the Force there were 29 Districts, viz., 21 Municipal and 8 Territorial.

On the 1st April, with the approval of the Government, certain amalgamations were effected in the Districts for supervision purposes, whereby the number was reduced to 14, and they were grouped as follows :—

- No. 1. *Hobart*, including New Town, Queenborough, *Clarence*, Carnarvon, and *Glenorchy* Districts.
- No. 2. *Launceston*, including Selby and George Town; also including Islands in Bass Strait east of longitude 147°.
- No. 3. *Bothwell*, *New Norfolk*, and *Hamilton*.
- No. 4. *Campbell Town*, *Oatlands*, and *Ross*.
- No. 5. *Brighton*, *Richmond*, and *Green Ponds*.
- No. 6. *Deloraine* and *Westbury*, including South Longford.
- No. 7. *Evandale* and *Longford*.
- No. 8. *Fingal*, *Portland*, and *Glamorgan*.
- No. 9. *Sorell* and *Spring Bay*.
- No. 10. Franklin and Kingborough.
- No. 11. Ringarooma.
- No. 12. Mersey and Latrobe.
- No. 13. Emu Bay and Russell, including Islands in Bass Strait west of longitude 147°.
- No. 14. Macquarie.

Those printed in italics were formerly Municipalities.

A proposal to give each of the above groups a distinctive district name has been submitted for the approval of the Government, and is now under consideration.

Amalgama-
tion of Offices.

4. The amalgamation of Districts necessarily caused alterations and reductions in the number of Superintendents. Of these, eleven accepted subordinate positions without reduction of salary and emolument, one was transferred to another branch of the Civil Service, and two retired with a gratuity. One of the Districts was under the Inspecting Superintendent.

Reductions were also necessary in the number and status of Sub-Inspectors and Sergeants, but no diminution took place in their income. On taking over the Force a great variety in the rates of pay and allowances was found, and, as far as possible, this was made uniform by small increases.

Transfers.

5. The reorganisation of the Force necessitated a large number of transfers, viz., 5 Superintendents, 13 Sub-Inspectors, 5 Sergeants, and 59 Constables during the year; but in these transfers the interests of the transferees have been considered as far as the exigencies or requirements of the Service permitted it.

Gratuities on
retirement.

6. The following gratuities were awarded to the undermentioned members of the Force on retirement or reduction :—

	£	s.	d.
C. Wright, Superintendent	140	0	0
T. H. Power, ditto	34	0	0
R. Crawford, Sub-Inspector	69	16	0
J. Wallace, ditto	57	10	0
C. Shadwick, Constable	45	0	0
C. Harvey, ditto	37	10	0

In addition to the above, Mrs. Collett, widow of Sub-Inspector Collett, was granted £97 0s. 5d. on the death of her husband.

Ages.

7. The ages of the members of the Force at the end of the year are summarised below, from which it will be seen that eight were over the age of sixty :—

Between 20 and 25 years	3
„ 25 and 30 years	16
„ 30 and 35 years	35
„ 35 and 40 years	46
„ 40 and 45 years	51
„ 45 and 50 years	40
„ 50 and 55 years	18
„ 55 and 60 years	18
Over 60 years	8*
	235
Special Constables not included	11
TOTAL	246

* Two of these since retired.

8. Out of 246 members of the Force, 225 were married, and 21 single. Condition.
9. The members of the Force in Hobart and Launceston, and the stations within easy reach of those cities, are required to regularly attend drill instruction, which consists of squad and company drill, attack formation, and manual and firing exercises, under qualified drill instructors. Rifles are only issued to the men in the cities, but I would strongly recommend that every constable be supplied with a rifle and encouraged to become proficient in its use. Among the Force are found many who have served in either the Imperial Army or Navy, and many in the country belong to the Infantry branch of the Defence Force. From a return furnished me I estimate that we have, approximately, 150 men who have received military training of some kind, and about 90 without. Every encouragement should be given to a constable to join the local detachment of the Infantry regiment in his neighbourhood. Military drill.
10. The subjoined list shows the nature of the work the Force is called upon to perform outside ordinary Police duty :— Work done for other Departments.
- | | |
|---|---|
| Assistant Harbour Masters
Bailiffs of Crown Land
Bailiffs of Court of Requests
Bailiffs of Court of General Sessions
Clerks of Petty Sessions
Clerks Court of Revision Electoral Act
Collectors of Codlin Moth Rate
Collectors of Land Tax and Police Rate
Collectors of Dog Licences
Compilers of Stock and Crop
Compilers of Jury Lists
Council Clerks (Municipal)
Deputy Clerks of the Peace
Inspectors of Stock
Inspectors of Weights and Measures
Inspectors under "The Manure Adulteration Act"
Inspectors under "The Health Act"
Inspectors of Codlin Moth
Inspectors of Fisheries
Inspectors under "The Contagious Diseases Act" | Inspectors under "The Bread Act"
Inspectors of Common Lodging-houses
Inspectors of Licensed Vehicles
Inspectors under "The Rabbit Act"
Inspectors under "The Education Act"
Police Clerks (Magisterial)
Poundkeepers
Registrars Court of Requests
Registrars Court of General Sessions
Registrars Births, Deaths, and Marriages
Registrars of Mines
Secretaries to Boards of Advice
Secretaries to Road Trusts
Summoning Officer Supreme Court
Superintendent of Gaol
Supervisors of Totalisators
Tide Waiters under Customs
Town Surveyors
Water Bailiffs
Valuers under Assessment Act
Gaolers |
|---|---|
- I am of opinion that other Departments should be required to pay a certain sum annually for the services of the Police, commensurate with the work performed—other Departments, I find, are careful to require the Police Department to pay for any services it requires from them—and such sums should, instead of going to the individual, be paid into the Police Provident Fund. I do not propose this measure with regard to existing arrangements, as it would prove hard on those at present in receipt of payment for the work attached to those offices, but it should be brought into force in future appointments. During the year there were over 40 members of the force holding one or more of the foregoing offices, to which remuneration was attached, ranging from £2 10s. to £51 per annum. The amount paid for the year to these members was at the rate of £960 per annum.
11. The sum of £7459 3s. 9d. stood to the credit of the Superannuation Branch of the Police Provident Fund at the end of the year, and £785 17s. to the Reward Branch. Police Provident Fund. Appendix B.
- In the Appendices will be found a statement showing the receipts and expenditure under this heading. On the transfer of the Police of Hobart and Launceston, the Municipal Police Provident Funds under the control of the Municipal Council in those cities were paid over by the respective Municipal Councils to the individual members who had an interest in the Fund. One member only had the amount standing to his credit transferred to the Police Provident Fund.
- I should like this Fund fed in the manner indicated in paragraph 10, as the interest on the investments of moneys of the Fund add but little to the amounts actually paid in by the members.
- I would also recommend that a portion of the moiety of the fines imposed, which now go to the Reward Branch, be transferred to the Superannuation Branch.
12. Arrangements have been made, whereby fourteen days' leave of absence is allowed annually to officers and men. Leave of Absence.
13. In order to promote uniformity in the performance of Police Duty in the various Districts, a Relieving Superintendent was appointed, whose duty it was to take over control of a District during the absence on leave or sickness of any Superintendent. This system has been found to work very satisfactorily, and the reports furnished by this Officer assist materially in the uniform working of the Department. Relieving Superintendent.
14. During the year all the stations have been personally visited, either by myself or the Inspecting Superintendent. Inspection

Mounted
Police Duty.

15. In order to establish as complete a system as possible for the supervision of the country by the mounted members of the Police Force, a scheme has been adopted whereby the mounted men in each district meet each other at stated places and dates, and in addition thereto meet the members of the adjoining districts in a like manner. By this means the members of the Force are enabled to discuss police matters generally affecting districts adjoining. The two most essential points in view are, viz.—1st. A systematic police patrol throughout the Colony; 2nd. That the constant meeting of the men, coupled with the fact that they also attend stock sales and note the brands of all stock yarded, has a deterrent effect on sheep and cattle-stealing. By the adoption of the above system, it is believed that the amalgamations of the Police Forces in this respect have been most beneficial. Such a system, prior to the Centralisation of the Police, was impracticable.

On the whole the men have remarkably good mounts, and some have large areas of country to traverse, which keep them almost constantly in the saddle.

The mounted duty is now far more extended than hitherto, owing to the new patrol system and the appointment of the Police as Inspectors under the Californian Thistle and Rabbits Destruction Acts.

I have every reason to be satisfied that the mounted service, under all circumstances considered, is very creditable to the Colony.

Totalisator.
63 Vict. No. 3.
Appendix H.

16. "The Lotteries Amendment Act, 1899," under which Licences are granted for the use of the totalisator for horse-racing clubs, came into force on the 29th September last. The working of these machines is under the supervision of officers appointed by the Governor in Council.

The totalisator is not open to investment by persons under the age of 16. This rule appears to be duly enforced, as only one conviction is recorded for this breach of the law.

From the date of the Act coming into operation up to the 31st December, 26 horse-races took place, at which the totalisator was licensed. The money that passed through the machines amounted to £14,695 12s. 6d. The percentage paid to the Treasury, amounted to £130 8s. 11d. This amount represents 1 per cent. of the total sum of money passed through the totalisator, provided the amount payable to the Treasury did not exceed £10 in any one day. The amount paid for Supervision was £132 0s. 6d.

Criminal
Statistics.
Appendices
D. & E.

17. Attached will be found statement of the offences reported during the year, showing comparison with the two previous years. Also return of the number of persons proceeded against for the same period. As the latter return has not been given in former reports a comparison cannot easily be given.

Convictions
under Licen-
sing Act.
Appendix F.

18. During the year, sixty-five proceedings were instituted against licencees of public houses for breaches of the Act, viz :—twenty cases for Sunday-trading, nineteen for having premises open during prohibited hours, thirteen for allowing barmaids to serve after ten o'clock p.m., five for licensee being drunk on premises, two for permitting gambling, two for permitting boxing or fighting one for allowing prohibited persons on premises, one for not conducting hotel peacefully and quietly and two for not keeping light burning over door.

The number of persons proceeded against for being found in public-houses after hours was 177.

Sheep and
Cattle
Stealing.
Appendices
I. & J.

19. During the year the number of sheep reported to the police as stolen or strayed was 1131, out of these 284 were either found dead on the runs or straying, leaving 847 unaccounted for. It does not, however, follow that all of these were stolen. Many of the cases are not reported until months after the loss has occurred; and recoveries are not always reported to the police. The proportion of loss to the number of sheep in the Colony represents 0006 per cent., or one in every 1763. In Appendix J. will be found details of the number of sheep reported as lost, together with the names of the owners, and other particulars.

For the same period there were 110 horned cattle, including calves, reported as stolen or strayed, 50 of these were found straying or found dead in the bush, leaving 60 unaccounted for. The losses in many instances are not reported to the police until a long period has elapsed, in one instance 11 cattle are reported on the 20th March, 1899, as having been missing since February, 1897. Taking the number of cattle in the Colony in 1898-99 as the basis of calculation the loss shows a proportion of 1 in 2809 or equivalent to 0004 per cent.

Expenditure.
Appendix C.

20. The total expenditure of the Department amounted to £39,330 11s. 11d. For the purposes of account the Territorial and Municipal expenditure had to be kept separate for this year. The expenditure of the former amounted to £19,280 14s. 8d. and the latter to £20,049 17s. 3d. Details under separate headings will be found in Appendix C.

21. The subjoined Statement gives a comparative estimate of the number and cost of the police per head of population in the various Australian Colonies from the latest data available. Police per Head of Population.

Colony.	Proportion of Police to population.	Cost of Police per head of population.*	
		s.	d.
New Zealand	1 to 1435	2	8
South Australia	1 to 1100	4	1
Victoria	1 to 833	4	4
New South Wales	1 to 792	5	0
Tasmania	1 to 657	4	4
Queensland	1 to 578	6	11
Western Australia	1 to 335	13	5

* Omitting fractions.

It will be observed that Tasmania stands fifth in the proportion of Police to population.

The calculation for Tasmania was based on the cost for the previous year and the number of Police on the 1st January, 1899. Taken on the expenditure for 1899, and the number of Police on 31st December, the proportion of Police to population will be found to be 1 to 745, and the cost per head on population 4s. 3d. Appendix G.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your very obedient Servant,

GEO. RICHARDSON, *Commissioner of Police.*

The Hon. the Attorney-General.

APPENDIX A.

RETURN showing the Strength and Distribution of the Police, 31st December, 1899.

District.	Station.	Inspecting Superintendent.	Relieving Superintendent.	Superintendent.	Sub-Inspector.	Detective Sergeant.	Sergeant.	Trooper.	Constable.	Special Constable.	Total at Station.	Total in District.	Remarks.
Hobart, New Town, Queenborough, Glenorchy, Clarence, and Carnarvon.	Head Station	1	1	1	3	2	6	...	30	1	45	...	
	Glenorchy .....	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	2	...	
	Bellerive .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	
	Rokeyby .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	New Town .....	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	3	...	
	Sandy Bay .....	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	3	...	
	Cascade Road .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Cemetery Point .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	
Carnarvon .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	1	3	61	
Launceston, Selby, and George Town; including Islands in Bass Strait east of longitude 147°.	Head Station .....	...	...	1	1	...	3	...	12	...	17	...	
	Wellington Road .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	
	Inveresk .....	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	2	...	
	Bangor .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Patersonia .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Invermay .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	St. Leonards .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Hadspen .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	
	Lilydale .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Rosevears .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Young Town .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Trevallyn .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	
	Mount Direction .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	
	George Town .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
Beaconsfield .....	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	3	...		
Leftroy .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...		
Bass Straits .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	38		
Macquarie.	Strahan .....	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	5	...	
	Zeehan .....	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	4	...	6	...	
	Queenstown .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	...	5	...	
	Gormanston .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	
	Teepookana .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	
	Kelly's Basin .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	
	Mount Darwin .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	
	Dundas .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	
	Williamsford .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	
Rosebery .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	24		
Brighton, Richmond, and Green Ponds.	Richmond .....	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	3	...	
	Brighton .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	
	North Bridgewater .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Kempton .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	
	Colebrook .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	9	
Franklin and Kingborough.	Franklin .....	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	
	Lovett .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	
	Kingston .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	
	Huonville .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Woodbridge .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Dover .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Hythe .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	
	Honeywood .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	
	Ramsgate .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	
	Bruni Island, North .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	
Bruni Island, South .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	14		
New Norfolk, Hamilton, and Bothwell.	New Norfolk .....	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	3	...	
	Glenora .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Hamilton .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	
	Victoria Valley .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Onse .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Ellendale .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
Bothwell .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	2	11		

District.	Station.	Inspecting Superintendent.	Relieving Superintendent.	Superintendent.	Sub-Inspector.	Detective Sergeant.	Sergeant.	Trooper.	Constable.	Special Constable.	Total at Station.	Total in District.	Remarks.
Campbell Town, Oatlands, and Ross.	Campbell Town	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	
	Oatlands	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	
	Ross	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	
	Cleveland	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Tunbridge	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Parattah	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Rumney Huts	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
Barton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	11		
Emu Bay and Russell; including Islands in Bass Strait west of longitude 147°.	Burnie	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	...	4	...	
	Stanley	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	
	Wynyard	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	
	Waratah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	
	Smithton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	
	King Island	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	12	
Sorell and Spring Bay.	Sorell	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	
	Triabuina	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	
	Buckland	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Copping	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	5	
Fingal, Glamorgan, and Portland.	Fingal	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	
	Swansea	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	
	St. Helens	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	2	...	
	St. Marys	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Avoca	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Bicheno	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Mathinna	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
Gould's Country	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	11		
Ringarooma.	Scottsdale	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	3	...	
	Moorina	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Gladstone	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Ringarooma	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Derby	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	7	
Mersey and Latrobe.	Devonport East	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	3	...	
	Devonport West	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	
	Latrobe	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	
	Ulverstone	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	
	Castra	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Hamilton-on-Forth	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Sheffield	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Penguin	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Railton	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
Moriarty	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	17		
Longford and Evandale.	Longford	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	
	Perth	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Cressy	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Bishopsbourne	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Evandale	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	
	Lymington	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
White Hills	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	10		
Deloraine, Westbury, and South Longford.	Deloraine	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	3	...	
	Chudleigh	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Elizabeth Town	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Westbury	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	
	Glengarry	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Carrick	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Bracknell	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Exton	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	
	Hagley	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	
	Great Lake	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	15	
		1	1	14	29	3	16	69	101	11	245	245	

NOTE.—Police to Population, 1 to 745. Cost of Police per Inhabitant, 4/3.

APPENDIX B.

POLICE PROVIDENT FUND.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

	Amount to Credit 31st Dec., 1899.			Disposal.	Interest Rate.	Amount gained by each Pound.		Compensa- tion allow- ances paid.	Rewards paid.
	£	s.	d.			Interest.	Forfeitures.		
Superannuation Branch..	7459	3	9	Fixed Deposit in Com- mercial Bank— £7200. In Debentures— £200. Treasury Balance— £59 3s. 9d.	Per cent. 3	d. 4½	d. 2¼	£ s. d. 269 10 10	£ s. d.
Reward Branch.....	765	17	0	Fixed Deposit in Com- mercial Bank— £700. Treasury Balance— £65 17s.	3	...	...	...	119 6 8

WORKING OF FUND.

Superannuation Branch.—Five per cent. is deducted from the pay of each contributor. This amount, and amounts arising from matured deposits, are invested in the Commercial Bank. At the close of the year the total interest gained (less the salary of the secretary, £50), and any amount derived from forfeitures, is apportioned, the amount to each pound of total contributions being arrived at by dividing the amount by the total amount of fund. The contributors receive this apportionment upon every pound of their total contribution. Compensation allowances are paid to members retiring after three years' service, or, after death, to the family.

Reward Branch.—Receives one-half of fines imposed in respect of informations or complaints laid or made by the Police. Out of it are paid rewards for diligence in performance of duty.

APPENDIX C.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

RETURN showing Funds available, and Expenditure, under the several Heads, for the year ended 31st December, 1899.

Funds Available.			Expenditure.		
Parliamentary Vote in aid of Territorial Police.....	£	s. d.	Salaries and Allowances of Territorial Police.....	£	s. d.
Amount provided by Supplementary Estimate	18,501	15 3	Construction and Repair of Buildings...	16,096	2 8
Parliamentary Vote in aid of Municipal Police.....	1343	12 4	Police Uniform	732	4 11
	20,000	0 0	Conveyance of Police.....	578	18 9
			Travelling Expenses	250	0 0
			Inspection Expenses	837	11 3
			Stationery and Stores.....	83	0 1
			Provisions for Prisoners	107	10 6
			Miscellaneous Expenses charged directly	243	6 0
			Miscellaneous Expenses—	163	6 2
			Typewriter	26	12 3
			Police Boats.....	14	0 6
			Medical Attendance.....	40	15 5
			Ferryage	5	0 0
			Newspapers	4	5 0
			Extra Constables.....	78	3 0
			Cleansing Offices.....	10	8 4
			Fuel, Head Office.....	9	9 10
				188	14 4
			Salaries and Allowances of Municipal Police	17,203	17 2
			Municipal Contingencies	2846	0 1
				£39,330	11 11
			Balance	514	15 8
				£39,845	7 7
				£39,845	7 7

APPENDIX D.

RETURN of Offences reported to the Police during the year 1899, compared with similar Returns of preceding years.

Year.	Indictable offences.			Offences determined summarily.			
	Cases reported.	Number apprehended.	Committed or summarily convicted.	Drunkenness.		Offences against Police Act.	
				Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.
1897	1034	425	422	276	78	1634	170
1898	917	440	400	312	62	1614	181
1899	997	435	267	354	84	1671	116

APPENDIX E.

RETURN of the Number of Persons proceeded against during the year ending 31st December, 1899.

Offences.	Committed for Trial.		Summarily convicted.		Discharged.		TOTAL.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
<i>Against the Person.</i>								
Assault, Common .....	...	...	36	4	9	...	45	4
„ Felonious	6	...	1	1	1	...	8	1
„ Indecent	10	...	25	...	...	...	25	...
Assaulting Police .....	...	...	33	1	...	...	33	1
Other offences against the Person not above specified	5	2	3	1	...	1	8	4
Unnatural Offences	5	...	...	...	1	...	6	...
<i>Against Property.</i>								
Arson .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Robbery (with violence, or under arms)	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Cattle-stealing .....	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...
Embezzlement	3	...	4	...	...	...	7	...
False Pretences	2	...	19	...	5	...	26	...
Forging and Uttering	15	...	...	...	2	...	17	...
Housebreaking	7	...	...	...	...	...	7	...
Larceny	10	2	212	35	82	8	304	45
Receiving stolen property .....	...	...	...	1	2	...	2	1
Malicious injury to property .....	...	...	1	1	4	...	5	1
Wilful damage to property, summarily dealt with .....	...	...	22	6	11	1	33	7
Sheep-stealing	1	...	2	...	3	...	6	...
Other offences against property not above specified	2	...	18	...	12	...	32	...
Conspiracy to defraud	4	...	...	...	1	...	5	...
<i>Other Offences.</i>								
Under Police Act .....	...	...	1281	93	124	10	1405	103
Under By-laws .....	...	...	255	9	11	4	266	13
Hawkers and Carriers Act .....	...	...	3	...	1	...	4	...
Sureties of Peace .....	...	...	7	...	...	...	7	...
Vagrancy .....	...	...	147	38	39	4	186	42
Seamen's Offences .....	...	...	23	...	7	...	30	...
Lunatics .....	...	...	22	9	34	18	66	27
Smuggling .....	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...
Under Education Act .....	...	...	167	15	76	14	243	29
„ Licensing Act .....	...	...	224	9	15	1	239	10
„ Gaming Act .....	...	...	16	...	4	...	20	...
„ Stock and Rabbit Acts .....	...	...	18	2	4	1	22	3
„ Fisheries and Game Acts .....	...	...	42	...	4	...	46	...
Other offences against the public welfare not above specified .....	...	...	317	37	55	1	372	38
TOTALS	72	4	2900	263	507	63	3479	330

APPENDIX F.

RETURN of proceedings taken under the Licensing Act, 53 Vict. No. 37, for the Year 1899.

DISTRICT.	Sunday trading.	Open during prohibited hours.	Allowing Barmaids to serve after hours.	Drunk on licensed premises.	Permitting gambling.	Permitting boxing or fighting.	Allowing prohibited persons on premises.	Not conducting hotel peaceably and quietly.	Not keeping lights burning.	Persons on premises after hours, under Sect. 102.		TOTAL.
										Convicted.	Dismissed.	
1. Hobart	5	6	3	3	...	1	...	...	...	29	3	50
2. Launceston.....	11	6	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	72	1	93
3. Bothwell.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4. Campbell Town ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1 ^a	...	1	...	4
5. Brighton.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6. Deloraine.....	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	4
7. Evandale.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
8. Fingal.....	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	...	7
9. Sorell.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10. Franklin.....	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	5
11. Ringarooma.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12. Mersey.....	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	9
13. Emu Bay.....	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	...	7
14. Macquarie.....	1	2	10 ^b	...	...	...	...	...	...	48	2	63
	20	20	13	5	2	2	1	1	2	170	7	243

^a No conviction.

^b 1 case dismissed and 1 withdrawn.

APPENDIX G.

RETURN showing the population of each District, and the number of Police in proportion on the 31st December, 1899.

No.	District.	Police.	Population.	Police to Population.
1	Hobart, including New Town, Queenborough, Glenorchy, Clarence, and Carnarvon.....	61	40,447	1 to 663.
2	Launceston, Selby, and George Town, including Islands in Bass Straits East of Longitude, 147.....	38	30,149	1 to 769.
3	Bothwell, New Norfolk, and Hamilton.....	11	8177	1 to 743.
4	Campbell Town, Oatlands, and Ross.....	11	6792	1 to 617.
5	Brighton, Richmond, and Green Ponds.....	9	6307	1 to 700.
6	Deloraine and Westbury, including Lake District.....	15	11,906	1 to 793.
7	Evandale and Longford.....	10	7042	1 to 704.
8	Fingal, Glamorgan, and Portland.....	11	6788	1 to 617.
9	Sorell and Spring Bay.....	5	3380	1 to 677.
10	Franklin and Kingborough.....	14	9490	1 to 677.
11	Ringarooma.....	7	5414	1 to 773.
12	Mersey and Latrobe.....	17	16,667	1 to 980.
13	Emu Bay and Russell, including Islands in Bass' Straits, West of Longitude 147°.....	12	8328	1 to 694.
14	Macquarie.....	24	21,612	1 to 900.
		245	182,508	1 to 744.

APPENDIX H.

RETURN of Totalisator Licences issued to 31st December, 1899.

No.	Date.	Name of Club.	Amount passed through Totalisators.	Amount payable to Treasury.	Amount paid to Supervisor.	Name of Supervisor.	Remarks.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
1	30. 9. 99	Hobart Turf	784 10 0	7 16 10	5 5 0	Geo. Steward	
2	7. 10. 99	Tasmanian R.	1493 10 0	10 0 0	5 5 0	Geo. Steward	
3	25. 10. 99	Tasmanian Turf	521 0 0	5 4 2	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
4	21. 10. 99	Hobart Turf	1181 0 0	10 0 0	5 5 0	Geo. Steward	
5	25. 10. 99	Butchers' R.	970 0 0	9 14 0	5 5 0	Geo. Steward	
6	28. 10. 99	Westbury Turf	112 5 0	1 2 5	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
7	9. 11. 99	Scottsdale R.	111 0 0	1 2 2	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
8	1. 11. 99	Meander R.	153 0 0	1 10 7	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
9	9. 11. 99	Zeehan R.	281 10 0	2 16 3	—	C. Griffith	
10	25. 11. 99	Tattersalls R.	140 15 0	1 8 1	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
11	4. 11. 99	Mowbray R.	151 15 0	1 10 4	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
12	9. 11. 99	Longford R.	706 15 0	7 1 4	3 12 6	J. R. Downie	Including travelling expenses
13	9. 11. 99	Colebrook R.	306 10 0	3 1 3	5 5 0	Geo. Steward	
14	18. 11. 99	Beaconsfield R.	130 15 0	1 6 1	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
15	18. 11. 99	Hobart Turf	872 0 0	8 14 4	5 5 0	Geo. Steward	
16	2. 12. 99	Mowbray R.	166 15 0	1 13 4	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
17	2. 12. 99	Tasmanian R.	1248 0 0	10 0 0	5 5 0	Geo. Steward	
18	6. 12. 99	Zeehan R.	310 0 0	3 2 0	5 5 0	J. Harrison	
19	9. 12. 99	Hobart Turf	1147 10 0	10 0 0	5 5 0	Geo. Steward	
20	26. 12. 99	West Coast A.T.	733 15 0	7 6 9	5 5 0	J. Harrison	
22	23. 12. 99	Mowbray R.	123 5 0	1 4 7	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
24	26. 12. 99	Black Boy R.	137 10 0	1 7 6	6 6 9	J. E. C. Lord	Including travelling expenses
25	26. 12. 99	Carrick R.	1620 0 0	10 0 0	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
26	26. 12. 99	Pioneer R.	65 7 6	0 13 0	6 11 3	J. Downie	Including travelling expenses
27	28. 12. 99	Avenue R.	439 15 0	4 7 11	5 5 0	W. Lisbey	
29	26. 12. 99	Richmond R.	787 10 0	7 16 0	5 5 0	Geo. Steward	
			£14,695 12 6	130 8 11	132 0 6		

APPENDIX I.

RETURN of Cattle reported stolen or strayed during the Year 1899:

Date in P.G.	District.	Name.	No.	Date Lost.	Remarks.
1899.					
Jan. 6	Selby	Geo. Luck	1	2nd January	Found straying.
" 20	Green Ponds	Mrs. J. Williams	1	6th January	
" 27	Glamorgan	John Pyke	10	During last 12 months	
Feb. 3	Sorell	W. Gillie	1	1st August, 1898	
" 10	George Town	J. Jarman	1	December, 1898	
" 17	Campbell Town	F. B. Hall	4	Since October, 1898	
" 24	Mersey	E. S. Walker	18	About August, 1898	9 found dead on run.
Mar. 10	Sorell	A. Parker	2	25th February, 1899	Found straying.
" 31	Fingal	S. H. Grueber	11	Since February, 1897	Reported 20th Mar., '99.
Apr. 14	Hamilton	" Lawrenny Estate "	1	March or April, 99	Found straying.
" 14	Ringarooma	M. D. Baker	1	20th March	
" 21	Campbell Town	P. M'Intyre	1	February	Recovered by Police.
May 19	Selby	W. Hunter	5	7th May	Found straying.
June 9	Ringarooma	A. Parker	1	September, 1898	
" 16	Brighton	J. Booth	2	5th June	Ditto.
" 23	Longford	R. Walker	1	20th April and 17th June	Ditto.
" 23	Oatlands	P. Kennedy	1	April, May, or June	
" 23	Ringarooma	C. A. Ogilvie	14	Date not given	
July 7	Portland	Fitzgerald Bros.	6	23 and 28 May	Ditto.
" 14	Franklin	Mrs. B. Olbrick	3	About 16th June	Ditto.
Aug. 4	George Town	J. M'Donald	4	December, 1898	Ditto.
" 4	"	J. Patmore	2	June or July	Ditto.
" 4	Sorell	W. Lobdale	1	25th July	Ditto.
Sept. 1	Franklin	J. Shields	1	23rd August	Ditto.
" 1	Mersey	A. E. Matthews	4	October, 1898	
" 22	Portland	F. Anderson	1	Since May, 1899	
Oct. 13	Emu Bay	Geo. Peart	1	About 1st September	
" 20	Longford	W. Patmore	6	11th October	Ditto.
Nov. 10	Westbury	W. Quinn	4	October or November	Ditto.
" 10	"	Mrs. Meadowcroft	1	14th and 19th October	Found dead in bush.
Total reported lost.....			110		
Found straying or otherwise accounted for ...			50		
Unaccounted for			60		

Number of horned cattle in Colony, 1898-9148,558

Proportion lost .0004 per cent. or 1 in 2809.

APPENDIX J.

RETURN of Sheep reported Stolen or Strayed during the Year 1899.

Date in P G.	District.	Owner.	No. of Sheep.	Date Lost.	Remarks.
1899.					
Feb. 10	Sorell	Geo. Fletcher	2	4th February	Found straying
Mar. 17	Oatlands	A. Barwick	40	December, 1898	
" 17	Ringarooma	Coplestone Bros.	50	3rd December and 11th March	25 found straying and 4 dead
" 17	Sorell	Geo. Davis	84	9th March	Found straying
" 24	Oatlands	R. B. Ferrar	230	April and November	70 found dead
April 14	Bothwell	Mrs. C. Rogers	20	7th Jan. and 27th March	
" 14	Richmond	C. Ellis	3	23rd March and 6th April	
" 21	Brighton	H. E. Gage	23	March	
" 21	"	W. Pretymann	20	March	
" 21	Clarence	A. M'Dermott	5	About 12th April	Found straying
" 21	"	F. Evans	2	1st 2 weeks April	
" 21	Selby	E. Murfit	8	10th and 16th April	3 found (2 drowned)
" 28	"	R. Stevenson	4	14th Feb. and 7th April	
May 19	Longford	W. Goss	15	7th April and 5th May	
" 19	Ringarooma	G. Archer	4	1st Jan. and 12th May	
" 19	Westbury	H. E. Murfett	24	26th April	17 found straying
June 2	Oatlands	H. Fisher	2	19th May	
" 2	Westbury	J. M'Kendrick	10	April or May	
" 9	Hamilton	"	10	4th or 5th June	
" 9	Longford	A. Chilcott	5	1st May and 4th June	
" 9	Oatlands	D. Easton	10	About 21st May	Found straying
" 9	Westbury	A. Frost	7	About 2nd June	Ditto
" 16	Glenorchy	L. M. Shoobridge	2	About 30th May	
" 16	Westbury	A. Hart	12	About 13th May	Ditto
" 23	Evandale	B. Moy	1	Between Christmas, 1898, and 11th May	
" 23	New Norfolk	P. Milne	1	1st May and 12th June	
July 7	Sorell	A. Parker	40	22nd and 28th June	
" 7	Spring Bay	P. Mitchelmore	110	May or June	22 found straying
July 21	Portland	Fitzgerald Bros.	80	May	
Aug. 4	Spring Bay	Newnham, T.	40	June or July	
" 11	Evandale	R. Morrice	2	July	
" 11	Longford	E. Murfett	3	23rd July and 1st August	
" 11	Westbury	Mrs. T. Donovan	1	About 14th July	
" 25	Evandale	B. Moy	1	26th June and 24th July	
Sept. 1	Westbury	P. Brown & Son	17	22nd July and 1st August	
" 8	Oatlands	Burbury Bros.	5	12th and 27th June	
Oct. 13	Emu Bay	G. B. Hogarth	5	1st June & 1st September	
" 13	Sorell	J. Fenner	1	6th October	
Nov. 10	George Town	C. Booth	15	14th October and 3rd Nov.	
" 10	Hamilton	H. Browning	29	July and October	
" 24	"	W. K. Dixon	35	1st and 16th October	10 found on run
Dec. 1	Bothwell	J. F. Gage	40	15th October & 21st Nov.	
" 1	Evandale	B. Moy	3	November	
" 1	Hamilton	J. Clark, jun.	3	October	
" 1	Sorell	A. Parker	3	24th November	
" 8	Brighton	C. J. Parsons	7	November or December	Found straying
" 15	"	E. J. Munday	2	5th and 11th December	Ditto
" 15	"	A. Wood	2	7th and 10th December	Ditto
" 15	Longford	H. R. Falkiner	1	About 25th November	
" 29	Bothwell	F. Butler	18	21st August and December	
" 29	Richmond	P. Stanfield	30	December	
" 29	Westbury	W. Prewer	44	1st Nov. and 16th Dec.	
Total reported Lost			1131		
Found straying or accounted for			284		
Total unaccounted for.....			847	or .0006 per cent., or 1 in 1763.	

Sheep in Colony, 1898-9..... 1,493,638.

SUMMARY ACCORDING TO DISTRICT.

District.	Number Reported.	Accounted for.	Total lost.
Campbell Town, Oatlands, and Ross.....	287	80	207
Deloraine and Westbury.....	115	36	79
Emu Bay and Russell.....	5	...	5
Evandale and Longford.....	91	...	91
Fingal, Portland, and Glamorgan.....	80	...	80
Hobart, Clarence, Glenorchy, New Town, &c.	9	5	4
Launceston, Selby, and George Town.....	27	5	22
New Norfolk, Hamilton, and Bothwell.....	156	10	146
Ringarooma.....	54	29	25
Richmond, Brighton, and Green Ponds.....	87	11	76
Sorell and Spring Bay.....	280	108	172
	1131	284	847