

APPENDIX C.

LABOUR REPORTS.

(Supplied by the Municipal Authorities in July and August, 1889.)

TOWN DISTRICTS.*

Name of City, Town, or Borough, and distance from Melbourne.	Remarks.
Ararat, 157 miles ...	Mechanics sometimes scarce. No demand at present.
Ballarat, 100½ miles ...	No great demand, but steady, good workmen are always employed.
Ballarat East, 100 miles ...	No demand.
Brighton, 8 miles ...	No demand.
Browns & Scarsdale, 115 miles ...	No demand.
Carisbrook, 107½ miles ...	No demand, and can foresee none.
Castlemaine, 78 miles ...	No demand.
Chewton, 75 miles ...	No demand.
Clunes, 120 miles ...	No demand.
Collingwood, 2 miles ...	No demand.
Creswick, 111 miles ...	No demand.
Daylesford, 76 miles ...	No demand, except for domestic servants.
Eaglehawk, 105 miles ...	No demand.
Echuca, 156 miles ...	No demand.
Essendon, 4 miles ..	Fair demand building trade, and likely to continue.
Fitzroy, adjoins Melbourne ...	No demand at present, with the exception of female servants; general servants most needed. No good girl need be out of a place a week.
Footscray, 3½ miles ...	No demand.
Geelong, 50 miles ...	No demand.
Geelong West, 45 miles ..	No demand.
Hamilton, 223 miles ...	Demand for labour is generally about Christmastime and three months after, when shearing, harvesting, and road work are carried out. Female servants of a superior kind readily meet with engagements.
Hawthorn, 4 miles ...	No demand.
Heathcote, 75 miles ...	No demand at present.
Horsham, 229 miles ...	No demand.
Inglewood, 130 miles ...	No demand.
Kew, 5 miles ..	No demand.
Koroit, 175 miles ...	No demand.
Majorca, 111 miles ...	No demand.
Mansbury, 65 miles ...	No demand.
Maryborough, 112 miles ...	No demand.
Melbourne ...	There is constant demand for domestic servants. No other required.
Newtown & Chilwell, 45 miles ...	There is no special demand, but contractors for road work say they have difficulty in procuring men. Good bricklayers or carpenters can readily find work, and the demand for labour generally is brisk.

* Cities, Towns, and Boroughs.—The officer supplying the information was the Town Clerk in every instance.

TOWN DISTRICTS—*continued*.

Name of City, Town, or Borough, and distance from Melbourne.	Remarks.
Northcote, 3½ miles ...	There is always good opening for female domestic servants.
Portland, 227 miles ...	No demand.
Port Melbourne, 2½ miles ...	There is always a steady demand for labour of all kinds in this municipality.
Prahran, 3½ miles ...	No demand.
Queenscliff, 60 miles by rail, 30 miles by sea	No demand.
Raywood, 120 miles ...	No demand.
Richmond, adjoins Melbourne...	Servants (female) wanted. No demand for other kinds of labour.
Rutherglen, 176 miles ...	No demand.
St. Arnaud, 158½ miles ...	The supply of labour (except of female servants) is about equal to the demand, except at harvest time, when there is usually a dearth of labour, but it soon passes away.
St. Kilda, 3½ miles ...	The only labour for which there is any demand is that of female servants, which is likely to continue.
Sale, 127 miles ...	Female domestic servants very scarce.
Sandhurst, 100 miles...	No demand.
Sebastopol, 102 miles ...	No demand.
Smythesdale, 116 miles ...	No demand.
Stawell, 176 miles ...	No demand.
Talbot, 130 miles ...	No demand.
Tarnagulla, 136 miles ...	No demand.
Wangaratta, 146 miles ...	No demand.
Warrnambool, 160 miles ...	No demand, except for good female domestics; probably 20 or 30 could find employment at once.
Williamstown, 9 miles ...	No demand.
Wood's Point, 109 miles ...	No demand, and no prospect of any.

COUNTRY DISTRICTS.*

Name of Shire and Distance of Chief Town from Melbourne.	Remarks.
Alberton, 180 miles ...	Men required on construction of Great Southern Railway, and as soon as winter is over on general work.
Alexandra, 100 miles ...	Good demand for farm labourers, carpenters, etc. Useful men could always find employment. Five hundred wanted.
Arapiles (chief town, Natimuk), 244 miles	No demand for labour.
Avoca, 127½ miles ...	Good local labour supply; no present prospect of increased demand.

*Shires.—The officer supplying the information was the Shire Secretary in every instance.

COUNTRY DISTRICTS—*continued*.

Name of Shire and Distance of Chief Town from Melbourne.	Remarks.
Avon (chief town, Stratford), 137 miles	No present demand for labour.
Bacchus Marsh, 31 miles ...	No demand.
Bairnsdale, 170 miles ...	About 400 builders, stonemasons, bricklayers, and labourers, would find employment. This being a rising district, demand for labour likely to increase.
Ballan, 45 miles ...	Supply equal to demand.
Ballarat, 115 miles ...	Limited demand for agricultural labourers and domestic servants.
Bannockburn, 55 miles ...	Great request for female servants, about 100 wanted. No demand for male labourers.
Barrabool, 15 miles ...	No demand.
Beechworth, 171½ miles ...	Good demand at present for navvies in construction of Beechworth to Yackandandah Railway. One hundred wanted.
Belfast (chief town, Crossley), 180 miles	Slight demand for labourers at stone-breaking and other road work.
Bellarine (chief town, Drysdale), 57½ miles	No demand.
Benalla, 122 miles ...	Good demand for farm labourers during the months of December, January, and February.
Berwick, 28 miles ...	Fair demand for labour. Females accustomed to dairy and household duties can easily find employment.
Bet Bet, 125 miles ...	Fair demand for farm labourers at harvest time.
Boroondara (chief town, Camberwell), 6 miles	No demand.
Braybrook (chief town, Maidstone), 5 miles	No demand.
Bright, 199 miles ...	No demand.
Broadford, 50 miles ...	No demand.
Bulla, 15 miles ...	No demand.
Bulleen (chief town, Templestowe), 11 miles	No demand.
Buln Buln (chief town, Drouin), 56 miles	Good axemen and labourers required.
Buninyong, 105 miles ...	Stone-breakers at present could obtain employment. About thirty wanted.
Caulfield, 6 miles ...	Good demand for general servants of each sex.
Chiltern, 168 miles ...	No demand.
Coburg, 5 miles ...	No demand.
Colac, 96 miles ...	Good demand for farm labourers during harvest time
Corio (chief town, Lara), 35 miles	No demand.
Cranbourne, 27¼ miles ...	No demand.
Creswick (chief town, Kingston), 94 miles	Good demand for farm labourers, ploughmen, domestic servants, etc.
Darebin (chief town, Epping), 13 miles	No demand.
Dundas (chief town, Hamilton), 220 miles	No demand.
Dunmunkle (chief town, Rupan-yup), 211 miles	Fair demand for farm labourers.

COUNTRY DISTRICTS—*continued.*

Name of Shire and Distance of Chief Town from Melbourne.	Remarks.
East Loddon (chief town, Serpentine), 130 miles	Good demand for female servants.
Echuca (chief town, Rochester), 139 miles	Slight demand for farm labourers.
Eltham, 14 miles	No demand.
Euroa, 97 miles	No demand.
Flinders and Kangerong (chief town, Shoreham)	No demand.
Glenelg (chief town, Casterton), 271 miles	No demand.
Glenlyon, 70 miles	No demand.
Gordon (chief town, Boort), 165 miles	Slight demand for labourers.
Goulburn (chief town, Nagambie), 78 miles	Good demand for farm labourers during harvest time.
Grenville (chief town, Linton), 123 miles	No demand.
Hampden (chief town, Camperdown), 123½ miles	Good demand for female servants. About fifty wanted.
Healesville, 37 miles	Slight demand for labourers on the Public Works.
Heidelberg, 8 miles	No demand.
Howqua (chief town, Jamieson), 170 miles	No demand.
Huntly, 17 miles	No demand.
Kara Kara (chief town, St. Arnaud), 157 miles	Slight demand for ploughmen.
Keilor, 10 miles	Limited demand for labourers.
Korong (chief town, Wedderburn), 150 miles	Limited demand for farm labourers.
Kowree (chief town, Edenhope), 280 miles	No demand.
Kyneton, 65 miles	No demand.
Leigh (chief town, Teesdale), 65 miles	No demand.
Lexton, 120 miles	No demand.
Lilydale, 23¾ miles	Fair demand for labourers.
Lowan (chief town, Nhill), 274 miles	Good demand for farm labourers.
Maffra, 131 miles	No demand.
Maldon, 89 miles	No demand.
Malvern, 5 miles	No demand.
Mansfield, 136 miles	Good demand for all kind of farm labourers, and likely to increase.
Marong (chief town, Kangaroo Flat), 96 miles	Good demand for female servants, and likely to continue.
Melton, 23 miles	Good demand for female servants.
Meredith, 74½ miles	No demand.
Merriang (chief town, Wallan Wallan), 29 miles	No demand.
Metcalf (chief town, Taradale), 67 miles	Good demand at present for labourers owing to damage by flood, but not likely to continue.
Minhamite (chief town, Macarthur), 200 miles	No demand.

COUNTRY DISTRICTS—*continued.*

Name of Shire and Distance of Chief Town from Melbourne.	Remarks.
Moorabbin (chief town, South Brighton), 10 miles	No demand, except for female domestic servants.
Mornington, 40 miles ...	No demand.
Mortlake, 151 miles ...	No demand, except for servant girls.
Mount Alexander (chief town, Fryerstown), 86 miles	No demand.
Mount Franklin (chief town, Hepburn), 84½ miles	No demand.
Mount Rouse (chief town, Penshurst), 160 miles	Good demand for ploughmen, good general farm labourers and domestic female servants, and likely to be continuous.
McIvor (chief town, Heathcote), 75 miles	No demand at present.
Narracan (chief town, Moe), 80 miles	A number of pick and shovel men will be employed next summer on the Moe Swamp drainage works.
Newham (chief town, Woodend), 49 miles	A few good farm labourers may get employment, and single female domestics in great demand.
Newstead, 92 miles ...	Farm labourers and female servants can always get employment; females used to milking preferred.
North Ovens (chief town, North Wangaratta), 147 miles	No demand.
Numurkah, 133 miles ...	Demand for sober farm labourers.
Nunawading (chief town, Box Hill), 9¼ miles	A revival in the building trade in and around Melbourne is the only thing likely to lead to an increased demand for labour.
Oakleigh, 10 miles ...	Limited demand for good female servants.
Omeo, 245 miles ...	Demand for navvies and farm labourers. Fifty to one hundred competent farm labourers would find employment.
Oxley, 153 miles ...	Farm hands with a knowledge of hop-growing, and grape culture—of the former 100; demand likely to be continuous. Married couples without encumbrance might meet with ready employment. Skilled ploughmen and general useful men in demand.
Phillip Island (chief town, San Remo), 65 miles, steamer and railway	No demand.
Portland, 227 miles ...	No demand.
Preston, 5½ miles ...	No demand.
Pyalong, 50 miles ...	No demand.
Ripon (chief town, Beaufort), 128 miles	No demand, except for female servants.
Rodney (chief town, Tatura), 110 miles	A small demand for farm labourers.
Romsey, 37 miles ...	First-class farm hands and servant girls; about 60 of each class could obtain employment at once.
Rosedale, 111 miles ...	Limited number of good road men would find employment if up to the work; also good handy ploughmen, combined with other farm labour; female servants, and married couples in few instances.
Seymour, 61 miles ...	No demand.

COUNTRY DISTRICTS—*continued*.

Name of Shire and Distance of Chief Town from Melbourne.	Remarks.
Shepparton, 112 miles ...	General demand for reliable men, especially when vineyards and orchards are bearing.
South Barwon, chief town, Belmont), 52 miles	Female servants in great demand, and married couples if willing to do a good day's work.
Springfield, 30 miles ...	Married couples used to farming and dairying would find employment on the large farms, as steady and reliable hands of this class are scarce.
St. Arnaud (chief town, Donald), 182 miles	Fifty to one hundred farm labourers would readily find employment.
Stawell, 178 miles ...	Good demand for farm labourers and persons qualified to work in orchards and vineyards.
Strathfieldsaye, 105 miles ...	Ploughmen, pick and shovel men, dairymaids, and useful servants in great demand.
Swan Hill (chief town, Kerang), 179½ miles	A great demand for good farm labourers of every kind; say 250 or 300.
Talbot, 133 miles ...	No demand.
Tambo (chief town, Bruthen), 201 miles	No demand at present.
Towong (chief town, Tallangatta), 213 miles	Female domestic servants are most in demand at good wages. A few good farm hands will find employment.
Traralgon, 97 miles ...	Limited demand for farm labourers.
Tullaroop (chief town, Maryborough), 98 miles	No demand.
Upper Yarra (chief town, Warburton), 35 miles	Axemen and rough bush carpenters always in demand. Demand will be continuous.
Walhalla, 107 miles ...	No demand.
Wannon (chief town, Coleraine), 250 miles	Farm labourers are required at harvest time.
Waranga (chief town, Rushworth), 120 miles	No demand.
Warragul, 61 miles ...	Competent tradesmen and labourers can always find employment.
Warrnambool, 160 miles ...	Farming hands and female general servants. Demand for both increasing very much.
Whittlesea, 24 miles ...	No demand.
Wimmera (chief town, Horsham), 230 miles	Demand at harvest time and in the wool season.
Wodonga, 187 miles ...	No demand.
Woorayl (chief town, Mirboo North), 109 miles	No demand.
Wyndham (chief town, Werribee), 20 miles	When the proposed irrigation works are started by the Chaffey Bros., it is expected that extra labour will be required.
Yackandandah, 200 miles ...	Plenty of labour of all kinds in the district.
Yarrawonga (chief town, Tungamah), 156 miles	Good farm labourers are much wanted, and good domestic servants. Any number of both sorts would get employment here at good wages. Married couples would be quickly engaged.
Yea, 79¾ miles ...	Farm labourers, women servants, and married couples would obtain employment readily. Limited demand for miners.

