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THE present volume, which completes the *Victorian Year-Book*, 1888-9, deals mainly with Vital Statistics, Production, Law, Crime, etc., Social Condition, and Defences.

It also contains Appendices, which embrace—besides tables of Australasian Statistics and Tariffs—interesting accounts of the Educational Systems of the various Australasian colonies, specially prepared for this work, at my request, unofficially, by the Educational Department of each colony. Thanks are due to the officers presiding over the Departments in question for these valuable contributions to our knowledge of Educational matters, as applied to the colonies of this group.

The Index to the first volume having been published therewith, that at the end of the present volume relates to this volume only.

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