## POPULATION.

RETURN of the Increase and Decrease of the Population of the Colony of Victoria during the Year ending 31st December, 1858, and the Total Population on the latter date.

	Males.	Females.	Total.	General Total.	
Increase by Immigration by Sea Increase by Births Increase by Chinese overland from neigh-	31,187 10,241	13,161 9,902	44,348 20,143		
boring Colonies  Total Increase	11,819	23,064	11,820	76,311	
Decrease by Departures by Sea Decrease by Deaths	21,691 5,527	4,191 3,518	25,882 9,045		
Total Decrease	27,218	. 7,709	•••	34,927	
Net Increase during the Year Population on 31st December, 1857	26,029 297,547	15,355 165,588	•••	41,384 463,135	
Population on 31st December, 1858	323,576	180,943		504,519	

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## POPULATION ON THE GOLD FIELDS.

RETURN of the estimated Population on the various Gold Fields in the Colony on the 18th December, 1858.

	Oa	THER THA	n Chine	SE.		Сни	NESE.		TOTAL.					
MINING DISTRICTS.		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	
Castlemaine Maryborough Ararat Sandhurst		31,500 18,722 19,448 17,280 8,700 18,041	6,500 4,800 3,241 1,962 4,460 3,411	10,000 5,700 6,482 3,863 4,840 2,697	48,000 29,222 29,171 23,105 18,000 24,149	6,394 9,727 4,474 4,525 3,000 5,547		6	6,400 9,727 4,474 4,525 3,000 5,547	37,894 28,449 23,922 21,805 11,700 23,588	6,500 4,800 3,241 1,962 4,460 3,411	10,006 5,700 6,482 3,863 4,840 2,697	54,400 38,949 33,645 27,630 21,000 29,696	
Total	•••	113,691	24,374	33,582	171,647	33,667		6	33,673	147,358	24,374	33,588	205,320	

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## LUNATICS.

RETURN of the Number of Patients in the Lunatic Asylum at the Yarra Bend, Melbourne, during the Year 1858.

In the Asylum on			Admitted the during				ing	.A.I		ed dur Year	ng	Died during the		Remaining on the Establishment on 31st December, 1858.						
31st	31st Dec., 1857. during the Year.		Cured.		Improved.		Retaken.		Not taken,		Year.		Supposed Curable.		Supposed Incurable,		Total.			
Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males,	Females.
208	141	349	160	99	44	33	5	7	12		4		48	16	66	66	201	118	267	184

ROBERT BOWIE, Surgeon Superintendent.