

## PUBLIC LIBRARY.

RETURN of the Number of VISITS made at the PUBLIC LIBRARY, distinguishing Morning from Afternoon Visits, during the Year 1858.

NUMBER OF VISITS.		TOTAL.
From 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.	From 4 P.M. to 9 P.M.	
43,561	34,364	77,925

AUGUSTUS TULK,  
Librarian.

## LITIGATION.

RETURN of the Number of CIVIL CASES tried in the Supreme Court, Melbourne, and Circuit Courts of the Colony of Victoria, during the Year 1858.

WHERE TRIED.	JURIES OF FOUR.		JURIES OF TWELVE.		TOTAL.
	Defended.	Undefended.	Common.	Special.	
Melbourne ... ..	296	8	2	43	349
Geelong ... ..	18	2	...	1	21
Ballaarat ... ..	11	3	...	1	15
Castlemaine ... ..	13	2	...	3	18
Sandhurst ... ..	6	1	...	1	8
Beechworth ... ..	5	...	...	...	5
Portland ... ..	...	...	...	1	1
Total ... ..	349	16	2	50	417

JOHN A. PORTER,  
Prothonotary.

## MORTGAGES ON LAND.

RETURN of the Number and Amount of MORTGAGES on LAND registered in the Colony of Victoria, during the Year 1858.

LENT ON TOWN LANDS.		LENT ON COUNTRY LANDS.		LENT ON TOWN AND COUNTRY LANDS.		TOTALS.	
No. of Mortgages.	Amount.	No. of Mortgages.	Amount.	No. of Mortgages.	Amount.	No. of Mortgages.	Amount.
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
1458	770,366 8 9	1437	878,881 4 3	95	145,510 10 4	2990	1,794,758 3 4

NOTE.—The above Return is derived from the memorials of the mortgage deeds deposited in the Registry of the Supreme Court. These memorials, however, are often very vaguely worded, and I furnish the above figures, therefore, as simple approximations.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER,  
Registrar-General.