### APPENDIX A.

#### AUSTRALASIAN STATISTICS, 1886.

TABLE I.—POPULATION, 1886.

(Exclusive of Aborigines, except a few in Victoria and New South Wales.)

Name of Colony.	Area in Square		ted Popula st Decembe		Females to	Persons to the Square
	Miles.	Males.	Females.	Total.2		Mile.
Victoria <sup>3</sup> New South Wales <sup>3</sup> Queensland <sup>3</sup> South Australia . Western Australia .	. 309,175 . 668,224 . 903,425	531,452 551,343 201,024 162,980 23,044	471,591 450,623 141,590 149,778 16,540	1,003,043 1,001,966 342,614 <sup>4</sup> 312,758 39,584	88·74 81·73 70·43 91·89 71·78	11·413 3·241 ·513 ·346 ·041
Total	. 2,944,628	1,469,843	1,230,122	2,699,965	83.70	•917
Tasmania	104 095	73,323 317,646	63,888 271,740	137,211 589,386 <sup>5</sup>	87·13 85·55	5·202 5·654
Grand Total .	. 3,075,238	1,860,812	1,565,750	3,426,562	84.14	1.114

The areas here given, except in the case of New Zealand, are the results of planimetrical calculations made in the office of the Surveyor-General, Melbourne. Except in the case of Western Australia, the area of which differs from the official estimate by 84,000 square miles, these results agree closely with the figures furnished officially by the various colonies.

2 On the 30th September, 1887, the estimated population of Victoria was 1,027,749; on the 30th June, 1887, that of New South Wales was 1,022,767; on the 1st September, 1887, that of South

Australia was 316,660.

 $^{4}$  On the 1st May, 1886, the enumerated population of Queensland, with an allowance of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. for persons supposed to have been overlooked in the collection, was 330,924, viz., 195,102 males

and 135,822 females.

TABLE II.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES, 1886.

	Births of—			De	eaths of		ges.1	Pć	000 of pulati mber o	on	Excess of Births over Deaths.	
Name of Colony.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths	Mar- riages¹	Numeri- cal,	Per cent.
Victoria New South Wales Queensland South Australia Western Australia	15,753 18,700 6,369 5,711 787	15,071 17,584 6,213 5,466 679	30,824 36,284 12,582 11,177 1,466	8,575 8,501 3,556 2,349 525	6,377 6,086 2,019 1,885 281	14,952 14,587 5,575 4,234 806	7,737 7,811 2,785 1,976 297	31·23 37·03 37·84 35·70 39·43	15·15 14·89 16·77 13·52 21·67	7:84 7:97 8:38 6:31 7:99	15,872 21,697 7,007 6,943 660	106·15 148·74 125·69 163·98 81·89
Total	47,320	45,013	92,333	23,506	16,648	40,154	20,606	34.85	15.15	7.78	52,179	129.95
Tasmania New Zealand	2,413 9,872	2,214 9,427	4,627 19,259	1,145 3,516	831 2,619	1,976 6,135	985 3,489	34·15 33·15	14.58 10.54	7·27 5·99	2,651 13,164	134·16 214·57
Grand Total	59,605	56,654	116,259	28,167	20,098	48,265	25,080	34.52	14.33	7:45	67,994	140.88

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The numbers in these two columns doubled give the total number of persons married and the number married in proportion to every 1,000 of the mean population.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In making up the estimates of population in Victoria and New South Wales, allowance has been made for unrecorded emigration since the census of 1881—the date of the last census. If this had not been done, the population of Victoria would have been set down as 1,033,043; and that of New South Wales as 1,030,901. Moreover, in the early part of 1886, censuses were taken in New Zealand and Queensland; the populations of those colonies have, therefore, been corrected on the basis of the results then obtained.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> On the 28th March, 1886, the enumerated population of New Zealand, exclusive of Maoris, was 578,482, viz., 312,221 males and 266,261 females; the Maoris at the same time numbered 41,828, viz., 22,868 males and 18,960 females. On the 30th June, 1887, the estimated population of New Zealand was 595,613.

Table III.—Immigration and Emigration, 1886.

		Number	of Imp	nigrants.	Numbe	er of Em	igrants.1		of Imn	nigrants ants.²
Name of Colony.	Name of Colony.		Females	Total.	Males.	Females	Total.	Males.	Females	Total.
New South Wales Queensland South Australia Western Australia		65,946 50,234 24,555 13,485 4,300	27,458 20,154 9,546 4,138 1,315	93,404 70,388 34,101 17,623 5,615	47,382 30,994 16,287 17,508 1,507	20,720 10,902 4,624 7,723 370	68,102 41,896 20,911 25,231 1,877	18,564 19,240 8,268 -4,023 2,793	6,738 9,252 4,922 -3,585 945	28,492 13,190
Tasmania	•••	158,520 10,229 11,068	62,611 5,170 5,033	221,131 15,399 16,101	113,678 9,255 10,442	44,339 5,375 4,595	158,017 14,630 15,037	44,842 974 626	$   \begin{array}{r}     18,272 \\     -205 \\     438 \\   \end{array} $	63,114 769 1,064
Grand Total		179,817	72,814	252,631	133,375	54,309	187,684	46,442	18,505	64,947 <sup>3</sup>

Note.—The immigration and emigration in this table is by sea only. No account is, or can be, taken of persons going from colony to colony overland. The numbers of assisted and free immigrants included in the total numbers were as follow:—Victoria, nil; New South Wales, 4,081: Queensland, 10,451; South Australia, nil; Western Australia, 1,556; Tasmania, 168; New Zealand, 16,709 542; total, 16,798.

'The figures in these columns understate the truth. Many persons leave all the colonies by sea without their departure being noted.

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<sup>2</sup> In consequence of the emigration returns being defective, as stated in the last footnote, the figures in these columns are too high. Where the minus sign (-) appears it indicates that the emigrants exceeded the immigrants by the number against which it is placed.

<sup>3</sup> According to Imperial returns, the number of persons who left the United Kingdom for the Australasian colonies in 1886 was 44,055, and the number who returned to the United Kingdom from these colonies was 9,366. The excess in favour of departures was thus 34,689, or little more than helf the excess of immigrants over emigrants shown in the table. half the excess of immigrants over emigrants shown in the table.

Table IV.—Public Revenue, 1886.

(Exclusive of Revenue from Loans.)

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Name of Co	lony.		Taxation.	Crown Lands.	Railways.	Post and Telegraphs	Other Sources.	Total Revenue.
			£	£	£	£	<u></u>	£
Victoria			2,634,560	563,608	2,306,791	394,184°	581,878	6,481,021
New South Wales		• •	2,611,835	1,643,955	2,389,1383	486,218	463,155	7,594,301 *
Queensland	• •		1,196,651	597,108	634,372	185,938	196,078	2,810,147
South Australia			585,123	227,145	$542,\!142$	182,709	438,150	1,975,269
Western Australia	••	••	184,999	104,377	35,896	20,729	42,563	388,564
Total			7,213,168	3,136,193	5,908,339	1,269,778	1,721,824	19,249,302
Tasmania			371,544	45,158	45,766	41,045	65,411	568,924
New Zealand	••	• • •	1,962,162	290,539 5	1,001,113	234,681 <sup>2</sup>	199,521	3,688,016
Grand Total	l		9,546,874	3,471,890	6,955,218	1,545,504	1,986,756	23,506,242

Note.—The figures of revenue and expenditure for Victoria are for the twelve months ended 30th June, but those for the other colonies are for the calendar year. Refunds of revenue, drawbacks, and such similar entries, are rigidly excluded from the accounts of revenue and expenditure of Victoria, but are included in those of New South Wales and some of the other colonies. See also Notes 3 and 4.

1 The amounts in this column are made up of Customs; Excise duties, including licenses imposed for revenue purposes; duties on bank notes; stamps, other than those for fees of office; legacy, succession, and probate duties; property and income taxes; and any other impost payable to the General Government, levied distinctly as a tax; but excluding fees, licences, and charges for special services rendered.

<sup>2</sup> The proportion of the revenue of Victoria and New Zealand derived from "Other Taxes" and "Post and Telegraphs" has been partly estimated.

This amount includes £21,499 collected for traffic beyond Albury, but repayable to the Government of Victoria. Deducting this sum, which of course does not form part of the railway revenue of New South Wales, the net amount is reduced to £2,367,563, which includes £230,260 revenue from

<sup>4</sup> Including revenue returned to the extent of at least £224,000—viz., £12,872 being repayments to credit of votes; £57,479 for drawbacks and refunds of duty; £21,499 railway revenue collected for the Victorian Government; £133,300 being other revenue returned; &c.

<sup>5</sup> Exclusive of revenue from gold-fields.

TABLE IV .- PUBLIC REVENUE, 1886-continued.

(Exclusive of Revenue from Loans.)

			Propo	ortion of	Revenue	derived f	rom—	Amounts per Head.					
Name of Cole	ony.		Taxa-	Crown Lands.	Rail- ways.	Post and Tele- graphs.	Other Sources.		Total Taxa Revenue. tion				
			per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	£	s.	<i>d</i> .	£ s.	d.	
Victoria	• •	••	40.66	8.70	35.59	6.08	8.97	. 6	13	6	2 14	3.	
New South Wales	••	• •	34.39	21.65	31.46	6.40	6.10	. 7	15	0	2 13	4	
Queensland	••	• •	42.59	21.25	22.57	6.61	6.98	8	9	0	3 12	0	
South Australia	• •	• •	29.62	11.50	27.45	9.25	22.18	6	6	0	1 17	5	
Western Australia	••	••	47.61	26.87	9.24	5.33	10.95	10	9	0	4 19	6	
Total	••	••	37.47	16:29	30.70	6.60	8:94	7	6	2	2 14	9	
Tasmania	••		65.29	7.94	8.04	7.23	11.50	4	4	0	2 14	10	
New Zealand	••	••	53.20	7.88	27.15	6.36	5.41	6	6	9	3 7	5	
Grand Total	• •	••	40.61	14.77	29.59	6:57	8:46	7	0	3	2 17	0	

Note.—The figures of revenue and expenditure for Victoria are for the twelve months ended 30th June, but those for the other colonies are for the calendar year. Refunds of revenue, drawbacks, and such similar entries, are rigidly excluded from the accounts of revenue and expenditure of Victoria, but are included in those of New South Wales and some of the other colonies. See also Notes 3 and 4.

TABLE V.—Public Expenditure, 1886.

(Exclusive of Expenditure from Loans.)

		Public Expenditure on—									
Name of Colony.	Railways (Working Expenses).	Post and Telegraphs.	Interest and Expenses of Public Debt.	Immi- gration.	Other Services.	Total Expenditure.					
-	£	£	£	£	£	£					
Victoria	1,323,873	564,620	1,282,010	••	3,343,037	6,513,540					
New South Wales	1,710,495 1	610,651	1,579,689 •	35,397	5,142,637	9,078,869 2					
Queensland	476,966	309,038	841,565	• •	1,574,461	3,202,030					
South Australia	372,787	180,288	683,564	22,789	974,967	2,234,395					
Western Australia	44,580	31,112	59,780	11,000	248,203	394,675					
Total	3,928,701	1,695,709	4,446,608	69,186	11,283,305	21,423,509					
Tasmania	70,709	55,760	155,844		302,443	584,756					
New Zealand	692,039	287,095	1,753,243		1,578,498	4,310,875					
Grand Total	4,691,449	2,038,564	6,355,695	69,186	13,164,246	26,319,140					

Note —For periods to which the figures relate in each colony; and for remarks in reference to the practice of swelling the returns of some of the colonies by including refunds of revenue, &c., on both sides of the account, see Note to last table.

¹ Including £97,707 for Tramways, but exclusive of £20,682 collected for the Victorian Government for traffic beyond Albury.

² See footnote (4) to last table.

Table V.—Public Expenditure, 1886—continued.

(Exclusive of Expenditure from Loans.)

		Propo	ortion of Tota	al Expenditur	e expended	on—	Total
Name of Colony.		Railways.	Post and Telegraphs.	Interest and Expenses of Public Debt.	Immi- gration.	Other Services.	Expenditure per Head.
New South Wales Queensland South Australia		per cent. 20·32 18·84 14·90 16·68 11·30	per cent. 8.67 6.73 9.65 8.07 7.88	per cent. 19.68 17.40 26.28 30.59 15.14	per cent. :39 :1.02 2.79	per cent. 51·33 56·64 49·17 43·64 62·89	£ s. d. 6 14 2 9 5 4 9 12 7 7 2 9 10 12 3
Total		18:34	7:92	20.76	•32	52.66	8 2 8
Now Zooland	• •	12·09 16·05	9·54 6·66	26·65 40·67	••	51·72 36·62	4 6 4 7 8 1
Grand Total	••	17:83	7.75	24.15	•26	50.01	7 17 1

Note.—For periods to which the figures relate in each colony; and for remarks in reference to the practice of swelling the returns of some of the colonies by including refunds of revenue, &c., on both sides of the account, see Note to last table.

TABLE VI.—EXPENDITURE FROM LOANS, 1886.

		Exp	enditure fr	om Loans o	n—		Total
Name of Colony.	Railways.	Water Supply.	Roads and Bridges.	Harbours, Rivers, Light- houses,&c.	Immi- gration.	Other Services.	Expenditure from Loans.
Victoria	£ 1,401,511 2,754,683 1,379,322 1,008,275 103,297	$\pounds$ 235,485 495,023 39,195 236,871 1,540	£ 16,271 29,362 11,250 13,565 51	£ 20,976 73,813 139,119 88,165 10,029	£ :: 178,610 ::	£ 57,591 \(^413,475\) 281,729 104,9242 19,230 \(^3	£ 1,731,834 3,766,356 2,029,225 1,451,800 134,147
Total	6,647,088	1,008,114	70,499	332,102	178,610	876,949	9,113,362
Tasmania New Zealand	266,014 502,864	••	284,011	119,008 <sup>4</sup> 137,519	3,808 4,589	95,459 654,740	484,289 1,583,723
Grand Total	7,415,966	1,008,114	354,510	588,629	187,007	1,627,148	11,181,374
		Proportio	on Expende	ed from Lo	ans on—		Expen-
Name of Colony.	Railways.	Wæter Supply.	Roads and Bridges.	Harbours, Rivers, Light- houses,&c.	Immi- gration.	Other Services.	diture from Loans per Head.
Victoria New South Wales Queensland South Australia Western Australia	per cent. 80.93 73.15 67.98 69.45 77.00	per cent. 13·59 13·14 1·93 16·32 1·15	per cent.	per cent. 1·21 1·96 6·86 6·07 7·48	per cent 8.80	per cent. 3:33 10:98 13:88 7:23 14:33	£ s. d. 1 15 8 3 16 10 6 2 1 4 12 9 3 12 2
Total	72.94	11.06	•77	3.64	1.97	9.62	3 9 2
Tasmania	54·93 31·75	••	17·93	24·57 8·69	·79 ·29	19·71 41·34	3 11 6 2 14 5
Grand Total	66.33	9.02	3:17	5.26	1.67	14.55	3 6 9

Note.—For periods to which the figures relate, see Note to Table IV. ante.

Including £45,438 on school buildings.

Including £30,282 on Electric Telegraphs, £30,198 on Sewerage, and £11,924 on Defences, &c.

Including £8,423 on Electric Telegraphs.

In Tasmania, the expenditure on roads and bridges is included with that on "Harbours, &c."

## TABLE VII.—PUBLIC DEBT, 1886.

(On the 31st December.)

		P	ublic I	Debt co	ontracte	d for			
Name of Colony.	Railways and Tramways	Talassa	110	Water s an Sewe		Ligl	oours and livers, hthouses and eks, &c.	De	Roads and Bridges, efences, and ther Public Works.
•	£	£			E		£ ··		·· £
Victoria New South Wales Queensland South Australia Western Australia	23,079,74 28,541,58 11,833,65 10,878,53 704,00	7 2 663,2 7 672,0 0 825,3	061 375	4,327 3,149	7,930 9,288 5,321 2,675	1,5 1,5	526,018 577,259 312,313 663,395		2,080,508 2,052,753 1,386,138 2,154,555 113,050
Total	75,037,51	9 2,299,8	375	10,325	5,214	4,8	378,985		7,787,004
Tasmania New Zealand <sup>1</sup>	1,702,22 12,978,42			558	3,926		075,738 745,299		694,078 5,434,453
Grand Total	89,718,17	6 2,929,8	325	10,884	4,140	6,7	700,022	1	3,915,535
		t contracted		То	tal Pub	lic De	bt.		Proportion of Total Debt
Name of Colony.	Immigra- tion.	Other Services, &c. <sup>2</sup>	Amoi	unt. <sup>3</sup>	Avera per Hea	r	Year's Revenu equal to	e	contracted for Railways and Telegraphs.
	£	£	£	2	£ s.	d.			per cent.
Victoria New South Wales Queensland South Australia Western Australia	569,930 2,228,007	4,480,142 2,943,353 715,670 330,303	41,03 20,82 18,34	4,203 4,249 0,850 0,200 6,000	30 0 40 19 60 15 58 12 32 9	1 5 10	4.65 5.43 7.41 9.28 3.31		76·64 77·00 66·14 63·82 88·17
Total	2,797,937	8,469,468	111,59	5,502	41 6	11	5.80		72.78
Tasmania New Zealand 1	232,814 2,118,071	230,891 15,213,619		6,720 7,776°	29 6 63 15	11 6 ³	7·08 10·20		44 · 53 54 · 93
Grand Total	5,148,822	23,913,978	153,20	9,998	44-14	3	6.52		68.70

Note.—On the 30th June, 1887, the public debt of Victoria was £33,119,164 The estimated population at that date was 1,019,106, and the approximate revenue of the financial year ended with that date was £6,733,867. The amount of indebtedness per head was thus £32 10s., and the debt was equivalent to 4.92 years' revenue During the first six months of 1887 Queensland floated a fresh loan in London for £2,500,000, and South Australia one for £850,000.

¹ The figures for New Zealand represent the net expenditure out of the "Public Works Fund" since 1870, the date of the first Immigration and Public Works Loan; it is, moreover, stated that, besides loan moneys, receipts in aid from Stamp duties, &c., contributed somewhat towards the total sum so expended. The balance required to make up the total debt at the end of 1886 has been entered as "unapportioned."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Included in this column, in the line for New Zealand, are £1,075,614 to meet deficiencies in the revenue, and £1,159,433 for "Interest and Sinking Fund"; New South Wales, £1,335,230 for repayment of loans; also the following amounts, which had been unapportioned or unexpended:—New South Wales, £3,095,056; Queensland, £1,912,295; Western Australia, £330,305; New Zealand, £12,978,572. The last amount includes the old provincial loans of New Zealand (raised prior to the abolition of provinces in 1876), of which no particulars of the purposes for which they were applied are available.

<sup>3</sup> As a set-off against the public debt, New Zealand possessed an accrued sinking fund amounting, on the 31st December, to £3,469,264; the net liability for that colony was, therefore, £34,118,512, or £57 17s. 9d. per head of population, and equal to 9.25 times the revenue. The sinking funds possessed by the other colonies were comparatively small, consisting of the following amounts:—Victoria, £52,038; Western Australia, £52,259; and Tasmania, £82,852.

Table VIII.—Imports and Exports, 1886.

		Total Va	alue of—	v	alu	e per	He	ad o	)f	P	roporti	on of Tot from—	al Imports
Name of Colony.	In	nports.	Export	s. I	mpo	orts.	Ez	kpo:	rts.	Uı	The nited gdom.	The Australasian	Countries
		£	£		£ s	. d.	£	s.	d.	per	cent.	per cent	per cent.
Victoria	18,	,530,575	11,795,3	21 1	8 18	5 5	11	19	0	4	7.77	33.75	18.48
New South Wales	20,	,973,548	15,556,2	13 2	1 8	3 1	15	17	6	4	9.80	36.93	13.27
Queensland	6,	103,227	4,933,9	70 1	8 7	1	14	16	9	4	4.11	50.49	5.40
South Australia	4,	852,750	4,439,0	08 1	5 10	0	14	6	9	4	0.68	49.35	9.97
Western Australia		758,013	630,3	93 2	0 7	9	16	19	1	4	5•90	52.36	1.74
Total	51,	218,113	37,404,9	05 1	9 6	7	14	2	4	4	7 · 47	38.80	13.73
Tasmania	1,	756,567	1,331,5	40 1	2 19	3	9	16	6	3	6.53	61.72	1.75
New Zealand	6,	759,013	6,672,7	91 1	1,12	3	11	9	3	6	6•30	19:49	14.21
Grand Total	59,	733,693	45,409,2	86 1	7 14	9	13	9	8	4	9·28	37 · 29	13.43
Name of Colony.		Tì Uni	ne ited dom.	Aust	The	sian			ther ntrie			Value.	Percentage of Total Exports.
		per	cent.	pei	cei	ıt.		per	cen	t.		£	
Victoria		55	•67	_	84.8				9 · 50	1	9,0	54,687	76.77
New South Wales	••	38	•74	4	8.5	0		1	2.76		12,8	84,200	82.82
Queensland		26	•12	7	0.6	9·			3·19		4,8	313,092	97.55
South Australia		56	·89	Ę	4.9	9			8.12		2,8	22,138	62 · 87
Western Australia		80	•16	1	4.7	1			5 · 13		6	26,524	99·40
Total	••	45	•29	. 4	4.9	2			9·79		30,2	00,641	80.74
Tasmania		18	•59	8	1.3	8			.03		1.3	12,416	98.57
New Zealand			•75		5.5			i	5·69	ſ	•	86,682	95·71
Grand Total		47	•95	4	3.1	 5			8·90		37,8	99,739	83·46

Note.—There is reason to believe that both imports and exports are over-valued in most of the colonies.

TABLE IX.—SHIPPING, 1886.

Name of Colony		Inv	vards.	Out	wards.	T	otal.
rame of Colony	•	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.
Victoria  New South Wales Queensland  South Australia Western Australia	•••	2,307 2,684 918 859 287	1,848,058 2,114,618 557,026 770,922 260,286	2,324 2,755 977 878 255	1,887,329 2,143,986 563,453 787,554 237,222	4,631 5,439 1,895 1,737 542	3,735,387 4,258,604 1,120,479 1,558,476 497,509
Total	••	7,055	5,550,910	7,189	5,619,544	14,244	11,170,454
Tasmania New Zealand	••	690 725	343,656 502,572	715 707	348,773 488,331	1,405 1,432	692,429 990,903
Grand Total		8,470	6,397,138	8,611	6,456,648	17,081	12,853,786

Direct trade only. Formerly the coastal trade carried on by vessels arriving from other countries was included. Had this been done for 1886 the number of vessels would have been swelled to 4,370, and the total tonnage to 3,275,437.

TABLE X.—RAILWAYS, 1886.

			at End of ear.	G	overnn	nent Line	s Open fo	or Traffic.	
Name of Colony	7.		In course	Capital Co		Revenue	e Account Year.	t for the	Propor- tion
		Open.1	of Con- struction.	Total.	Aver- age per Mile.	Receipts	Work- ing Ex- penses.	Net Receipts	of Net Receipts to Capital Cost. <sup>2</sup>
The state of the s		miles.	miles.	£	£	£	£	£	per cent.
Victoria		1,743	316	23,903,893		2,329,126			4.36
New South Wales	•••	1,935	267	24,079,555		2,160,070			
Queensland		1,555	637 <sup>3</sup>	10,716,352 *	6,892				1.625
South Australia		1,382	417	8,348,800	6,042				2.50
Western Australia	••	154	46	703,610 4	4,569				— ·91 °
Total		6,769	1,683	67,752,210	10,076	5,721,526	3,681,724	2,039,802	3.17
Tasmania 7		303	138	2,060,648	8,081	114,872	106,750	8,122	•42
New Zealand	••	1,809	171	13,017,567	7,564				
Grand Total		8,881	1,992	82,830,425	9,521	6,835,166	4,487,546	2,347,620	2.97

Note.—The figures are for the year ended 30th June, 1886, in Victoria, and for that ended 31st December in the other colonies. On the 30th June, 1887, the extent of lines open in Victoria had increased to 1,880 miles, and the cost of construction to £25,297,534; whilst the gross receipts for 1886-7 amounted to £2,453,078, the working expenses to £1,427,116, and the net receipts to £1,025,962. The latter was equivalent to 4.17 per cent. of the capital cost. In addition to the Victorian lines open, there were, on the 30th June, 1887, 337 miles in progress, and 675 miles outherized but not commenced.

Victorian lines open, there were, on the 30th June, 1887, 337 miles in progress, and 675 miles authorized, but not commenced.

¹ Including private as well as Government lines. The following are the lengths of private lines:—
New South Wales, 45; Tasmania, 48; New Zealand, 88 miles. Tramways are not included in the table. Of tramways open at the end of 1886, there were in Victoria 9 miles (cable), constructed by the Melbourne municipalities, but let to a private company; New South Wales, 35 miles, constructed by Government at a capital cost of £857,483, the gross receipts from which amounted in 1886 to £234,143, and the working expenses to £208,687; in Queensland, 664 miles; and in Western Australia, constructed by timber companies, 100 miles. The cost of construction of the cable tramways of Victoria (including expenditure on lines in progress), at the end of 1886, was £663,764, and the receipts during the year amounted to £74,340.

² The calculations in this column are based on the mean of the amounts of capital cost at the

<sup>2</sup> The calculations in this column are based on the mean of the amounts of capital cost at the

beginning and end of the year.
Including railways authorized.

4 Including expenditure on lines in progress.

\*Including expenditure on lines in progress.

5 This is below the true proportion, as the capital cost on which the rate is based includes expenditure on lines in progress, which were necessarily unproductive.

6 The minus sign (—) indicates a net loss, or excess of working expenses over receipts.

7 Included with the Government lines in Tasmania are 133 miles guaranteed by the State, constructed at a cost of £872,332. The other private lines in that colony cost £153,133; whilst the receipts during the year amounted to £17,063, and the working expenses to £7,956.

TABLE XI.—POSTAL RETURNS, 1886.

		Number	Despatche	d and Recei	ved of			
Name of Colony.	Number of	of Cards.		Newsp	apers.1	Revenue. 2	Expendi-	
	Post Offices.	Total.	Per Head of Popula- tion.	Total.	Per Head of Popula- tion.		ture.	
						£	£	
Victoria	1,429	38,392,414	39.00	17,482,490	$17 \cdot 71$	308,643	514,399 <sup>3</sup>	
New South Wales	1,157	42,849,900	43.73	29,532,400	30.14	330,591	396,710	
Queensland	662	10,503,345	31.59	9,391,614	$28 \cdot 24$	102,273	208,410	
South Australia	568	13,129,921	41.94	6,672,013	21.31	102,662	179,412	
Western Australia	80	1,847,694	49.69	1,153,892	31.03	13,305	31,112 *	
Total	3,896	106,723,274	40.28	64,232,409	24.24	857,474	1,330,043	
Tasmania	251	4,193,873	30.95	3,806,738	28.09	32,510	38,401	
New Zealand	1,089	39,518,479	67.89	14,324,047	24.61	206,029	168,069	
Grand Total	5,236	150,435,626	44.67	82,363,194	24 · 46	1,096,013	1,536,513	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subject to certain regulations and restrictions, newspapers posted in New South Wales and Queensland travel free to any of the Australasian colonies, and those posted in Western Australia and Tasmania travel free to all places. In the other colonies a small postage fee is charged on newspapers.

Table XII.—Electric Telegraphs, 1886.

			On th	e 31st Dece	ember.		During the Year.		
Name of Colony	•	Mile	s of Lines (	Poles).	Miles of Opera		Telegrams Received	i	
			In course of Con- struction.	Total.	Telegraph.	Tele- phone.	and Despatched.	Amount Received.	
								£	
Victoria	• •	4,094	••	4,094	10,111	1,848	2,023,858	93,490	
New South Wales	• •	10,618	198	10,816	20,797	*	2,661,126	158,128	
Queensland	• •	8,225	779	9,004	14,443	*1	1,450,567	82,958	
South Australia		5,459	7	5,466	8,771	1,539	669,442	78,123	
Western Australia	••	2,385	500	2,885	2,658	100	165,613	7,428	
Total		30,781	1,484	32,265	56,780	*	6,970,606	420 127	
Tasmania		1,772	26	1,798	2,353	178	214,738	19,793	
New Zealand	••	4,546 2	79	4,6252	11,178	1,105	1,836,266	106,638	
Grand Total		37,099	1,589	38,688	70,311	· *	9,021,610	546,558	

<sup>\*</sup> Where asterisks occur, the information was not furnished or is incomplete.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This probably includes commission on money orders in all the colonies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Including expenditure on telegraphs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In Queensland the number of telephones in use was 523; the length of wire has not been furnished.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Including 359 miles of cable.

TABLE XIII.—CROWN LANDS ALIENATED AND IN PROCESS OF ALIENATION, 1886.

**				Du	ırir	ng the Year	r 1886.		
Name of Colony.	Sold by	y Auction, ontract, &c	Priva	ate		Selected u		Granted	Total Extent
	Area.	Amount of Purchase Money.		rice		System Deferred ments	Pay-	without Purchase.	Wholly or Con ditionally Alienated.
	acres.	£	£	8.	d.	acı	res.	acres.	acres.
Victoria	19,281	100,997	5	4	9	188,	196	1,120	208,597
New South Wales	288,038	439,322	1	10	6	954,		11,100	1,253,698
Queensland	1,560	168,060	107	14	8	465,	208²	737	467,505
South Australia	4,738	6,255	1	6	5	32,	910³		37,648
Western Australia	38,945	34,274	0	17	7	66,	778	929	106,652
Total	352,562	748,908	2	2	6	1,707,	652	13,886	2,074,100
Tasmania	1,486	1,915	1	5	9	49,	525	3,574	54,585
New Zealand	39,964	43,836	1	1 1	11	1	711	185,764	278,439
Grand Total	394,012	794,659	2	0	4	1,809,	888	203,224	2,407,124
	<del></del>	the End of :		1		ent—	Att	he End of 1	886.—Extent—
Name of Colony.	Sold.	Granted out Pur	- l with	Alien under		ienation er Systen. Deferred yments.	Alienated or in Process of Alienation.		Alienated nor in Process of Alienation.
	acres.	a	cres.		vi.	acres.		acres.	acres.
Victoria	14,766,77	71 13	,426		7	7,709,186	2	2,489,383	33,756,377
New South Wales 7	22,016,50	3,104	,773		16	3,164,190	4	1,285,464	156,586,536
Queensland	8,389,94	12 65	,091		2	2,540,341	1	0,995,374	416,667,986
South Australia	7,297,63	370	,000		3	3,611,306	1	1,278,944	566,913,056
Western Australia	1,813,26	35° .	. 8			342,630		2,155,895	622,432,905
Total	54,284,11	3,553	,290		30	,367,653	8	8,205,060	1,796,356,860
Tasmania	*		K-			*		4,513,454	12,366,546
New Zealand	12,008,15	5,706,	,726°			516,002	1	9,130,885	47,579,435 10
Grand Total	*	,	·			*	11	1,849,399	1,856,302,841

<sup>\*</sup> Where asterisks occur the information has not been furnished or cannot be completed.

For particulars of the terms and conditions under which such land is held, see page 389 ante.

2 This represents the area leased, with option of purchase on certain conditions, under the Land. Act of 1884.

Exclusive of surrendered lands re-selected under the Act of the 31st August, 1884.

Including only that of which the purchase has been completed. Exclusive of the extent estimated to have been forfeited for non-fulfilment of conditions, &c.

The figures in this line have recently received a thorough revision, hence the apparent discrepancies in some cases when compared with the figures published last year.

In Western Australia, land granted without purchase is included with the area "Sold."

These figures relate partly to lands in respect to which Crown Grants have been issued either to the original Maori possessors, or to Europeans or Maoris who have purchased from them, under certain Native Land Acts.

10 Of this extent, about 16,000,000 acres belong to the Maoris, or to Europeans who have purchased from them; and 93,868 acres were held under "Perpetual Lease."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The purchase money for selected land varies in the different colonies from 10s. to 30s. per acre, payable by annual instalments (often without interest) extending over a period of 10 or 20 years

Of this area, 107,567 acres were granted to Natives, or Europeans who purchased from them, under Native Land Acts.

#### TABLE XIV.—STATE EDUCATION, 1886.

war a war a san a sa		Att	he End o	of the Yea	r.	Gros	s Enr				uri	ng 1	the	Э
Name of Colony.	Number o	f	Numb	er of Tea	chers.			Y	ear.					
	State Schools.	I I	Males.	Females.	Total.	Male	es.	Fen	nale	es.		То	tal	•
Victoria	1,870		1,712	2,466	4,178	119,13	33	111	L,44	3	2	230,	576	3
New South Wales	2,170		1,869	1,887	3,756	127,20	00²	77	,33	$4^2$	2	204,	534	1
Queensland	479		640	742	1,382	30,90	02	28,037	7	58,939	)			
South Australia	504		415	666	1,081	25,800²		24,1222			49,922			
Western Australia	89		49	101	150	2,29	95	2	2,21	3		4,	508	3
Total	5,112		4,685	5,862	10,547	305,38	30	243	3,149	9	Ę	548,	479	)
Tasmania	209		157	233	390	8,74	42	7	7,27	2		16,	014	1
New Zealand	1,054	-	1,206	1,515	2,721	75,85	25 <sup>2</sup>	68	3,730	<b>0</b> 2	]	l <b>44</b> ,	55	5
Grand Total	6,375		6,048	7,610	13,658	389,89	97	319	,15	1	7	709,	048	3
	Scholars i			Esti mated	Cost o	f Instruc	tion.3	3	Cos				=	
-	Attendance Ye	dur ar.	ing the	Number of Distinct	Amo			Instruc Hea		uci ead	tion l of-	<b>p</b>	e <b>r</b> 	
Name of Colony.		_	Per-	Children Attend-		1	<u> </u>					$\operatorname{Sch}$	ola	ars
	to e	ach	centage of Scholars on the Rolls.	ing during the Year.	State.	Parents, &c., in Fees.		otal. Mear Popul tion		n la-	in			
					£	£	£	3	£	s.	<i>d</i> .	£	s.	d
Victoria 3	23,550	0	53.58	190,223	538,035	3,5494		,584		12	0	1	7	8
New South Wales	105,538 2	8	56.70	186,126	591,246	63,165	654	411	0	13	4	6	4	0

Note.—The State system of education is compulsory and undenominational (or secular) in all the colonies, and Western Australia is now the only colony which grants assistance to denominational (private) schools. Public instruction is free in Victoria, Queensland, and New Zealand; but fees are charged in the other colonies, although they are partially or entirely remitted in cases where the parents are unable to pay them. The prescribed school age differs in the various colonies—in Victoria it is from 6 to 15 years, in New South Wales from 6 to 14, in Queensland from 6 to 12, in South Australia from 7 to 13, in Tasmania from 7 to 14, and in New Zealand from 7 to 13 years. For a complete account of the educational systems of the various colonies, see Victorian Year-Book 1880-81, pp. 431 to 459.

 $51,410^{2}$ 

44,405

4,822

476,986

16,014

105,300

598,300

130,349

90,768

8,920

1,359,318

27,306

346,4085

1,733,032

23,736

1,424

8,458

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130,349

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91,874 |1,451,192

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<sup>2</sup> These figures have been estimated in the office of the Government Statist, Melbourne.

4 For extra subjects only.

32,250

28,000

3,344

292,682

7,866

80,737

381,285

Queensland

South Australia...

Western Australia

Total

New Zealand

Grand Total ..

Tasmania

23

26

22

28

20

31

28

54.75

63.05

74.17

53.36

49.12

55.85

53.77

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Including 1,076 pupil-teachers, and 521 work-mistresses. In previous years, work-mistresses in Victorian schools were not included in this return.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Exclusive of expenditure towards capital cost of buildings, &c.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Including £29,605 from Education Reserves.

#### TABLE XV.—AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS, 1886-7.—LAND IN CULTIVATION.

\* The Agricultural Statistics in most of the colonies are collected in the months of February or March of each year. The present returns are for those months of 1887. In calculating the rates of tillage per head, the population at the 31st December, 1886, has been taken.

				Number of Acr	res under Tillage.
Name o	of Colony	•	i	Total.	Per Head of Population.
Victoria	••			2,417,582	2.41
New South Wales	• •	• •		977,664	1.02
Queensland	••		• •	221,843	•65
South Australia *				2,785,490	8.91
Western Australia	• •	••	• •	86,248	2.18
Total		• •	•• ,	6,488,827	2.40
Tasmania	• •			446,391	3 · 25
New Zealand	••	••	••	1,372,219	2.33
Grand Total	• •		• •	8,307,437	2:42

				Num	ber of A	cres uno	ler—		<del></del>	,
Name of Colony.	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.	Other Cereals.1	Pota- toes.	Hay.	Vines.	Green Forage. <sup>2</sup>	Other Tillage. <sup>3</sup>
Victoria	1,052,685	185,765	37,031	4,901	29,434	49.974	445,150	10,310	284,186	318,1464
New South Wales	337,730	23,947	6,079	146,957	1,522	17,322	223,470	5,840		48,9775
Queensland	6,787	138	768	75,566	887°	7,202		1,517	17,183	72,5157
South Australia <sup>s</sup>	1,942,453	7,264	15,697		4,601	5,666	308,429	4,590		463,494
Western Australia	24,043	1,766	5,185	171	628	356		649		26,657
Total	3,363,698	218,880	64,760	227,595	37,072	80,520	1,042,047	22,906	501,560	929,789
Tasmania	35,322	21,607	2,749	••	9,385	16,084	47,269		198,935	115,040°
New Zealand	253,025	387,228	21,535	4,720	10,217	27,683	57,938	10	$416,682^{11}$	193,191 <sup>12</sup>
Grand Total	3,652,045	627,715	89,044	232,315	56,674	124,287	1,147,254	22,906	1,117,177	1,238,020

Note.—Land in fallow is included in the total area under tillage in all the colonies, except New South Wales; but land under permanent artificial grasses is not included in New South Wales, Queensland, Western Australia, and New Zealand. See also Notes 2, 3, and 11.

Including beans and pease, except in the case of New South Wales.

In addition to crops sown for the purpose of being cut green for cattle, this column contains the following areas laid down in permanent artificial grass in the colonies named:—Victoria, 276,291 acres; New South Wales, (not returned); Queensland (not returned); South Australia, 23,217 acres; Western Australia (not returned); Tasmania, 196,333 acres. For extent of such land in New Zealand, see Note 11.

<sup>3</sup> In the returns of some of the colonies, this column embraces land in fallow as well as land under The following are the areas in fallow included in the returns of such colonies:--Victoria,

277,788 acres; New South Wales (not returned); Queensland, 12,282 acres; South Australia, 450,536 acres; Western Australia, 1,845 acres; Tasmania, 21,678 acres; New Zealand, 163,241 acres.

<sup>4</sup> Including 910 acres under turnips, carrots, parsnips, cabbage, and beet, which produced 7,158 tons; 1,257 acres under mangel wurzel, which produced 19,142 tons; 1,996 acres under onions, which produced 11,625 tons; 2,031 acres under tobacco, which produced 12,008 cwt.; 204 acres under chicory, which produced 1,472 tons; 730 acres under hops, which produced 5,023 cwt.; 2,942 acres under grass seeds, which produced about 61,490 bushels, &c.

<sup>5</sup> Including 1,203 acres under tobacco, which produced 13,642 cwt.; 15,117 acres (of which 9,202)

<sup>5</sup> Including 1,203 acres under tobacco, which produced 13,642 cwt.; 15,117 acres (of which 9,202 acres were unproductive) under sugar-cane, which produced 167,959 cwt. of sugar; 7,920 acres under oranges, which produced 6,376,868 dozen; and 18,605 acres under gardens and orchards.

6 Rice.

7 Including 54,010 acres under sugar-cane, of which 34,657 acres were productive, and yielded 58,545 tons of sugar; 255 acres under arrowroot, which produced 463,900 lbs.; 751 acres under oranges, which produced 451,777 dozen; 1,497 acres under bananas, which produced 3,180,375 dozen; 411 acres under pine apples, which produced 165,453 dozen; 90 acres under tobacco, which produced 636 cwt.

No agricultural statistics having been collected in South Australia in either of the last two

years, the figures for 1884-5 have been again repeated for that colony.

<sup>9</sup> Including 4,203 acres under turnips, which produced 38,357 tons; 829 acres under mangel wurzel, which yielded 12,167 tons; and 8,735 acres in gardens and orchards. The remainder consisted of fenced and cleared land, not strictly under tillage, and devoted to pastoral purposes.

No account taken. <sup>11</sup> In the figures for New Zealand, the land under permanent artificial grass, amounting to 5,495,843 acres—of which about one half had been, and the other half had not been, previously ploughed—is not entered as green forage, nor is it included in the total area under tillage, as in the other colonies. Were the whole so placed, it would bring the land under tillage up to 6,868,062 acres, or to 11.65 acres per head of the population.

<sup>12</sup> Including 4,348 acres under mangolds, beet, carrots, parsnips, &c.; 528 acres under hops; 10

acres under tobacco; and 22,885 acres under gardens and orchards.

Table XVI.—Agricultural Statistics, 1886-7.—Produce of Crops.

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		·- ·- · <u>·</u>	Bushe	ls raised o	of	ene u en o	Tons rai	ised of—
Name of Colony.	Wheat.	Oats	s.	Barley.	Maize.	Other Cereals.	Potatoes.	Hay.
Victoria	12,100,036	4,256,	070	827,852	231,447	594,555	170,661	483,049
3T ()	5,868,844	600,		132,949	3,825,146	22,533	45,803	349,888
0	21,221	1	438	18,483	1,709,673	24,876	26,967	75,371
** · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		1	639	211,207		64,826	23,192	285,839
South Australia <sup>2</sup>	14,621,755				9 099	8,792*		
Western Australia	288,516	28,	512	82,816	3,933	0,192	1,071	25,718
Total	32,900,372	4,975,	560 1	1,273,307	5,770,199	715,582	267,694	1,219,865
Tasmania	632,573	560,	622	61,585	••	164,649	75,773	50,158
New Zealand	6,297,638	11,973,	295	558,606	141,600*	224,774*	134,965	79,013
Grand Total	39,830,583	17,509,	477 1	1,893,498	5,911,799	1,105,005	478,432	1,349,036
					·	1		
	Gallons		Bu	shels per .	Acre of—		Tons per A	cre of—
Name of Colony.	of Wine	Wheat.	Bu			Other Cereals.	Tons per A	Hay.
Name of Colony.	of Wine	Wheat.						
Name of Colony.  Victoria	of Wine	Wheat.		s. Barle	y. Maize.			
	of Wine made.	-	Oat	s. Barle	y. Maize.	Cereals.	Potatoes.	Hay.
Victoria	of Wine made. 986,041	11:49	Oat 22:9	s. Barle,	y. Maize. 6 47.23 7 26.03	20·20	Potatoes.	Hay.
Victoria	of Wine made. 986,041 601,897	11·49 17·38	22·9	s. Barle, 21.3 29 21.8 24.0	y. Maize. 6 47.23 7 26.03 7 22.63	20·20 14·81	Potatoes.  3.41 2.64	1·09
Victoria	986,041 601,897 147,410	11·49 17·38 3·13	22·9 25·0 10·4	s. Barle, 21 22·3 29 21·8 42 24·0 13·4	y. Maize. 6 47.23 7 26.03 7 22.63 6	20·20 14·81 28·04	3.41 2.64 3.74	1·09 1·57 1·92
Victoria	986,041 601,897 147,410 473,535	11·49 17·38 3·13 7·53	22·9 25·0 10·4 12·2	s. Barle, 21 22·3 29 21·8 42 24·0 13·4 4 15·9	y. Maize.  6 47.23 7 26.03 7 22.63 6 7 23.00	20·20 14·81 28·04 14·09	3·41 2·64 3·74 4·10	1·09 1·57 1·92
Victoria	986,041 601,897 147,410 473,535 98,350	11·49 17·38 3·13 7·53 12·00	22·9 25·0 10·4 12·2 16·1	s. Barle, 21 22·3 29 21·8 42 24·0 13·4 4 15·9	y. Maize.  6 47.23 7 26.03 7 22.63 6 7 23.00 6 25.36	20·20 14·81 28·04 14·09	3·41 2·64 3·74 4·10 3·01	1·09 1·57 1·92 ·93 1·00
Victoria	986,041 601,897 147,410 473,535 98,350 2,307,233	11·49 17·38 3·13 7·53 12·00	22·9 25·0 10·4 12·2 16·1	s. Barle, 21.8 22.3 29 21.8 22 24.0 20 13.4 4 15.9 23 19.6 22.4	y. Maize.  6 47.23 7 26.03 7 22.63 6 7 23.00 6 25.36 0	20·20 14·81 28·04 14·09 	3·41 2·64 3·74 4·10 3·01	1·09 1·57 1·92 ·93 1·00

#### \* Estimated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Including beans and pease, except in the case of New South Wales.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> No agricultural statistics having been collected in South Australia in either of the last two years, the figures for 1884-5 have been given for that colony.

# TABLE XVII.—LIVE STOCK, 1886-7.

\*\*\* The Live Stock Statistics are collected in October in Western Australia, and in most of the other colonies simultaneously with the Agricultural Statistics, in the months of February and March.

Name of Colony.				Numb	er of—				<b>T</b> o	tal.
Manie of Colony.	Ho	rses.	Cat	tle.	Sh	eep.	Pi	gs.	10	tai.
Victoria New South Wales Queensland South Australia' Western Australia	308,553 361,663 278,694 168,420 38,360		1,36 4,07 38	93,265 57,844 1,563 99,726 68,254	39,16 9,69 6,69	00,403 59,304 10,445 16,406 19,071	20 6 16	0,957 9,576 1,861 3,807 4,655	12,553,17 41,108,38 14,102,56 7,418,35 1,960,34	
Total	1,15	1,155,690 29,684		0,652	68,065,629		700,856		77,142,827	
Tasmania New Zealand <sup>2</sup>	29,684 187,382		148,665 895,461		1,608,946 16,677,445		73,118 3 <b>6</b> 9,992		1,860,41 18,130,28	
Grand Total	1,372,756		8,264,778		86,352,020		1,143,966		97,1	33,520
Name of Colony.	Per Square Mile.	Per 100 Persons Living.	Per Square Mile.	Per 100 Persons Living.	Per Square Mile.	Per 100 Persons Living.	Per Square Mile.	Per 100 Persons Living.	Per Sguare Mile.	Per 100 Persons Living.
Victoria	3·51 1·17 ·42 ·19 ·04	31 36 81 54 97	14·83 4·42 6·09 ·43 ·09	130 137 1,189 125 223	122 127 15 7 2	1,067 3,909 2,828 2,141 4,570	2·74 ·68 ·09 ·18 ·03	24 21 18 52 62	143 133 21 8 2	1,252 4,103 4,116 2,372 4,952
Total	•39	43	2.45	267	23	2,521	•24	26	26	2,857
Tasmania New Zealand	1·13 1·80	22 32	5·64 8·59	108 152	61 160	1,173 .2,829	2·77 3·55	5 <b>3</b> 63	71 174	1,356 3,076
Grand Total	•45	40	2.69	241	28	2,520	•37	33	32	2,835

No statistics of live stock having been collected in South Australia for either of the last two years, the figures for 1884-5 are given for that colony.
 The figures for New Zealand are those returned at the census of March, 1886. They include 42,103 cattle, 112,850 sheep, and 92,091 pigs, belonging to the Maoris.

TABLE XVIII.—WOOL PRODUCE, 1886.

	Wool Im	ported.	Wool E	xported.	Wool Manufactured in the Colony.		
Name of Colony.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value, at 1s. 4d. per lb.	
Victoria New South Wales Queensland South Australia Western Australia	lbs. 59,196,663 7,800,721 17,602,167	£ 2,331,599 279,686 734,867	lbs. 107,984,839 178,650,611 28,700,546 58,493,555 6,139,917	£ 4,999,662 7,201,976 1,413,908 1,955,207 332,519	1bs. 1,651,458 378,540  100,000*	£ 110,097 25,236  6,667*	
Total	84,599,551	3,346,152	379,969,468	15,903,272	2,129,998	142,000	
Tasmania New Zealand	 36,943	801	8,175,780 90,853,744	310,934 3,072,971	$124,400 \\ 1,924,932$	8,293 128,329	
Grand Total	84,636,494	3,346,953	478,998,992	19,287,177	4,179,330	278,622	

<sup>\*</sup> Estimated.

#### TABLE XVIII.—WOOL PRODUCE, 1886.

		Wool Produ	action, 1886.		Proportion		
Name of Colony.	Quar	ntity.1	Va	lue.	of Exports of Wool to	Average Export Price	
rumio or county.	Total.	Average to each Sheep.	Total.	Average per Head of Population.	Total General Exports.	per lb.	
Victoria New South Wales Queensland South Australia Western Australia	lbs. 50,439,634 171,228,430 28,700,546 40,991,388 6,139,917	1bs. 4·71 4·37 2·96 6·12 3·39	£ 2,778,160 6,947,526 1,413,908 1,227,007 332,519	£ s. d. 2 16 3 7 1 10 4 5 1 3 18 5 8 18 10	per cent. 42·39 46·30 28·66 43·56 52·75	$d.$ 11 $9\frac{3}{4}$ 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ 8 13	
Total	297,499,915	4.37	12,699,120	4 15 10	42.52	10	
Tasmania New Zealand	8,300,180 92,741,733	5·16 5·56	319,227 3,200,499	2 7 1 5 10 0	23 <sup>,</sup> 35 46 <sup>,</sup> 05	$\frac{91}{4}$	
Grand Total	398,541,828	4.62	16,218,846	4 16 4	42:47	934	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The quantities of wool exported, set down as home produced, having been found to be unreliable, the figures in these columns have been made up of the sum of the total quantities exported from and used for manufactures in, less the quantities imported by, the respective colonies.

TABLE XIX.—GOLD PRODUCE.

	Gold raised—									
Name of Colony.	Prior	to 1886.	During	g 1886.	Total.					
	Quantity.	Value.1	Quantity.	Value.1	Quantity.	Value.1				
Victoria New South Wales Queensland South Australia 2	oz. 53,727,986 9,639,359 4,885,647 172,961	£ 214,911,944 35,727,939 17,099,764 691,275	oz. 665,196 98,446 340,998 26,315	£ 2,660,784 355,600 1,193,493 95,674	ozs. 54,393,182 9,737,805 5,226,645 · 199,276	£ 217,572,728 36,083,539 18,293,257 786,949				
Total	68,425,953	268,430,922	1,130,955	4,305,551	69,556,908	272,736,473				
Tasmania New Zealand	419,656 10,789,650	1,608,929 42,297,252	31,014 $227,079$	117,250 903,569	450,670 11,016,729	1,726,179 43,200,821				
Grand Total	79,635,259	312,337,103	1,389,048	5,326,370	81,024,307	317,663,473				

Note.—The figures for Victoria, New South Wales, and Queensland express the quantity and value of all the gold known to have been raised in those colonies since the period of its first discovery in Australia in 1851; those for South Australia are estimated partly from the returns of the Melbourne and Sydney Mints, and partly from the export returns; those for New Zealand express the total exports of gold from the earliest period; and those for Tasmania express the quantity known to have been raised since 1866, there being no record of the gold raised prior to that period. There are no returns of the gold raised in Western Australia, although it is believed a considerable quantity was obtained on the Kimberley gold-fields of that colony during, and some prior to, 1886.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In Victoria the average value of the gold raised is £4 per oz., and in Queensland £3 10s. per oz. The purity, and consequently the value, varies considerably in different districts. Standard gold is worth £3 17s.  $10\frac{1}{2}$ d., and pure gold £4 4s.  $11\frac{1}{2}$ d. per oz.

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Including Northern Territory, whence the quantity exported in 1886 was 17,490 oz., valued at £63,139.

# TABLE XX.—STATISTICS OF FIJI, 1878 TO 1886.

\*\* Fiji consists of from 70 to 80 inhabited islands, the estimated area of which is 7,740 square miles. There are also a number of smaller islands uninhabited. The total area of the group is said to be 8,034 square miles.

-	Year.		Estima the	ted Popula 31st Decer	ation on nber.	Rirths 1	Deaths 1	Marriages'	Immigrants (Polynesians and Coolies only).			
			Males.	Females.	Total.	Dir uns.	Deaths.	marriages	Males.	Females	Total.	
1878	•••		64,748	52,350	117,098	2,262	2,244	419	1,346	174	1,520	
1879	• •		67,697	52,962	120,659	3,654	3,532	1,356	2,098	288	2,386	
1880			67,598	54,286	121,884	4,103	4,326	1,358	2,500	34	2,534	
1881		• •	71,323	57,188	128,511	4,321	4.411	1,056	1,100	58	1,158	
1882	• •		72,376	57,703	130,079	4,552	4,933	1,280	2,561	511	3,072	
1883	• •		71,540	58,354	129,894	4,649	5,310	1,097	2,013	546	2,559	
1884		• •	71,011	57,512	128,523	4,540	8,592	978	2,292	980	3,272	
1885	• •		69,860	57,419	127,279	4,319	5,775	1,133	1,422	736	2,158	
1886		• •	68,727	57,283	126,010	4,253	5,502	1,155	<b>.</b>		1,941	

	Emigrants (Polynesians only).			Public Revenue.			Expen-	ot.		
Year.	Males.	Females.		Raised by Taxation.	Not raised by Taxation.	Total.	Public Exgaleric diture.	Public Debt.	Value of Imports.	Value of Exports.
				£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1878	638	71	709	42,697	18,324	61,021	65,267	100,000	136,608	192,865
1879	313	32	345	46,260	21,511	67,771	71,108	120,000	142,213	169,040
1880	170	18	188	46,544	34,134	80,678	91,102	210,000	185,741	229,528
1881	860	24	884	49,606	<b>37,</b> 83 <b>7</b>	87,443	89,960	254,025	276,040	174,146
1882	1,066	73	1,139	59,518	51,796	111,314	109,986	254,025	303,329	190,517
1883	1,251	94	1,345	74,805	32,009	106,814	88,277	254,025	450,595	351,998
1884	693	60	753	68,162	23,361	91,523	98,468	254,025	434,522	345,344
1885	1,681	265	1,946	62,985	13,684	76,669	92,209	264,025	294,585	<b>326,750</b>
1886			2,113	51,882	12,692	64,574	78,133	264,695	230,742	283,496

	Shipping.						Crown Lands Granted and Sold in	Live Stock. <sup>3</sup> Number of—				
Year.		Inwards.		Outwards.								
			Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.	each Year.2	Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Pigs.	
,							acres.					
1878			124	23,180	128	24,080		200	3,000	3,100	50,000	
1879		••	131	28 967	125	28,085		300	4,000	3,771	50,000	
1880		• •	157	32,933	150	32,689	27,562	360	5,000	4,769	50,000	
1881	• •	• •	164	35,542	160	35,230	75,627	400	5,000	4,769	<b>50</b> ,000	
1882	• •		163	43,768	165	43,757	65,745	600	5,000	4,000	50,000	
1883			198	68,530	193	69,3 2	81,665	<b>6</b> 00	5,324	5,373	50,000	
1884		• •	150	63,246	144	64,731	38,325	610	4,600	5,869	50,000	
1885			124	54,056	135	55,892	26,368	650	5,953	6,350	50,000	
1886	• •	•••	118	54,132	113	51,237	14,028	567	6,841	6,055	50,000	

Note.—The following additional information has been supplied for the year 1886:—Immigration—Assisted and free, 1,273. Sources of Revenue—Customs duties, £29,352; other taxes, £22,530; Crown lands, £877; other sources, £11,815. Heads of Expenditure—Post Office, £2,971; interest on public debt, £8,074; other expenditure, £67,088. Public Debt—Of the public debt only £150,000 bears interest. Imports and Exports—Of the total value of imports, £186,904 was from the Australasian Colonies, £17,770 from the United Kingdom, and £26,068 from other countries; and of the total value of exports, £238,920 was to Australasian Colonies, and £44,576 to other countries; 92 per cent. of the exports were of Fijian production. Post Offices—Number of offices, 33; letters, 285,761; newspapers, 252,081; revenue during the year, £2,971; expenditure, £2,325. State Education—Number of schools, 2; teachers, 5, viz., 2 males and 3 females; scholars on the rolls, 268, viz., 126 males and 142 females; fees paid by scholars, £288; and school rates, £923; cost, excluding buildings—contributed by State £650, by parents in fees and rates £1,211—total, £1,861. Agriculture—Land under cultivation, 32,905 acres.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> It is believed by the Registrar-General of Fiji that the births, deaths, and marriages here given are less than those which actually occurred.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The total area alienated at the end of 1886 was 391,118 acres. The amount realized by the State to the end of 1885 was only £26,259, which, however, represents the price of but a small proportion of the acreage alienated. The majority of the grants issued were for lands acquired by whites and others previously to annexation, and these received their titles at the nominal price of one shilling.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In addition to the live stock referred to in these columns, about 11,400 angora goats were kept on the islands.