

1852.

VICTORIA.

G O L D F I E L D S.

RETURN TO ADDRESS.—

Mr. Murphy, 29th June, 1852.

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BY COMMAND OF

HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,

AND

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MELBOURNE:

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Nos. 1 and 8.

RETURN of the NAMES of PLACES in VICTORIA where GOLD FIELDS are being worked, their distances from MELBOURNE, the NUMBER of LICENSES to dig for GOLD, issued monthly since 30th November last, and the names of the places for which they were issued.

Name of Gold Field.	Distance from Melbourne.	Number of Licenses issued in												Total	Date of Authority or occupation.	
		1852.														
		1851	December.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.							
Mount Alexander and its vicinity	80 miles.	7,364	7,488	12,053	14,422	19,139	24,026	24,144	108,636	8th October, 1851.						
Ballaarat.	75 do.	739	302	323	871	839	526	734	4,334	20th September, 1851.						
Other places . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	5	. . . . .	5						
											Total					112,975

NOTE. Additional Licences issued in July at Mount Alexander 24,794.
at Ballaarat 761.
in August at Mount Alexander 24,136.
at Ballaarat 1,071.
50,762.

More than 28,000 Licences were issued at Mount Alexander in September.

No. 2.

RETURN of the number of GOLD COMMISSIONERS, their Names, dates of appointment, salaries and allowances, places where stationed, and nature of their general duties.

Where stationed.	Situation.	Name.	Date of Appointment.	Salaries.		Allowances.		General duties.	
				Daily rate.	Yearly amount.	Forage.	Provisions.		
Mount Alexander.	Chief Commissioner	William Henry Wright	1st May, 1852	•	£ 900	2 horses	rations	General supervision of Gold Fields.	
	Assistant Commissioner	Francis C. Dovey	19th August, 1851	•	400	1 horse	do.	Carrying out provisions of Act of Council 15 Vict., No. 15.	
	do.	William Fenwick	28th April, 1852	•	400	do.	do.	do.	
	do.	Edward S. Symonds	11th May, 1852	•	400	do.	do.	In charge of Gold receiving office.	
	do.	Samuel Kingdon	8th June, 1852	•	400	do.	do.	Carrying out provisions of Act of Council 15 Vict., No. 15.	
	Bendigo creek	do.	James M. Clow	14th February, 1852	•	400	do.	do.	do.
	do.	do.	George H. Gilbert	14th February, 1852	•	400	do.	do.	do.
	do.	do.	John C. Thompson	1st March, 1852	•	400	do.	do.	do.
	do.	do.	Samuel J. Cooke	28th April, 1852	•	400	do.	do.	In charge of Gold receiving office.
	do.	do.	Charles R. Read	25th May, 1852	•	400	do.	do.	Carrying out provisions of Act of Council 15 Vict., No. 15.
Mount Alexander.	do.	Henry Pantou	29th May, 1852	•	400	do.	do.	do.	
	Fryer's creek	do.	Benjamin Baxter	27th October, 1851	•	400	do.	do.	
Ballarat	Commissioner in charge	Alfred J. Eyre	1st January, 1852	•	300	do.	do.	In charge at Ballarat.	
	Assistant Commissioner	Owsley R. Cockburn	1st January, 1852	•	400	do.	do.	Carrying out provisions of Act of Council 15 Vict., No. 15.	
	Police Magistrate	Foster Fyans	1st January, 1852	•	*50	•	•	Connected with Gold Commission.	
Lake Oneco	Commissioner of Crown Lands	G. D. Smythe	14th February, 1852	5s. per diem †	400	•	•	Assistant Gold Commissioner.	
	do.	H. W. H. Snythe	•	do.	•	•	•	Connected with Gold Commission.	
	do.	John Addis	•	do.	•	•	•	do.	
	do.	N. A. Fenwick	•	do.	•	•	•	do.	
	do.	F. A. Powlett	•	•	250	•	•	do.	
Mount Alexander	Assistant Commissioner	Alfred Reynell	1st October, 1851	•	†400	•	rations	Employed by the South Australian Government.	

* For duties connected with the Ballarat escort (additional to the Salary of Police Magistrate at Geelong).

† Additional pay allowed for being connected with the Gold workings.

‡ Defrayed out of the Revenue of the South Australian Government.

No. 3.

RETURN of the number of CLERKS and other persons employed by the GOLD COMMISSIONERS, their Salaries, Dates of Appointment, and by whom employed.
Also a RETURN of CLERGYMEN for whom provision has been made.

Where stationed.	Name.	Situation.	Date of Appointment.	Salaries.		Allowances.		By whom employed.
				Daily rate.	Yearly.	Forage.	Provi- sions.	
Mount Alexander.	William McCrea	Surgeon and Coroner	15th March, 1852	20s. per diem & fees on Inquests.	£	1 horse	Rations.	Chief Commissioner.
	James McCrea	do.	24th April, 1852	Do.	250	do.	do.	do.
	F. Fryer	Postmaster	1st April, 1852	200	do.	do.
	J. Cusworth	do.	7th June, 1852	150	do.	do.
	E. Wales	Camp Overseer	18th May, 1852	200	do.	do.
	L. Walsh	Storekeeper	16th March, 1852	150	do.	do.
	J. Welch	Assistant Storekeeper	11th May, 1852	150	do.	do.
	J. Kerr	do.	4th June, 1852	240	do.	do.
	C. H. Ohlfseu-bagge	Acting Clerk of Works	21st May, 1852	300	do.	do.
	J. Perrin	Assistant Superintendent of Bridges	14th April, 1852	300	do.	do.
	H. S. Chauncey	Surveyor	22nd March, 1852	250	do.	do.
	Edwin Meyer	Do.	7th June, 1852	200	do.	do.
	Lothouse Margrave	Do.	17th January, 1852	200	do.	do.
	Albert Ely	Do.	18th February, 1852	200	do.	do.
	Henry Stark	Do.	16th March, 1852	200	do.	do.
	Edward Garsett	Do.	16th March, 1852	200	do.	do.
	Edward Webb	Do.	16th March, 1852	200	do.	do.
	Charles Pain	Do.	16th March, 1852	200	do.	do.
Robert Heywood	Do.	23th March, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	200	. . . . .	do.	do.
George Levey	Do.	14th May, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	200	. . . . .	do.	do.
Ashton Warner	Do.	20th May, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	150	. . . . .	do.	do.
Francis Jones	Do.	7th June, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	150	. . . . .	do.	do.
Walter Pierce	Do.	7th June, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	150	. . . . .	do.	do.
Francis Hutton	Do.	7th June, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	*200	. . . . .	do.	do.
A. B. Nicholson	Inspector	14th January, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	150	. . . . .	do.	do.
C. W. Nicholson	Do.	27th March, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	150	. . . . .	do.	do.
J. Steel	Do.	20th April, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	150	. . . . .	do.	do.
S. Windridge	Do.	— November, 1851 . . . . .	. . . . .	150	. . . . .	do.	do.
W. Smith	Do.	14th June, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	150	. . . . .	do.	do.
W. Miller	Do.	— December, 1851 . . . . .	. . . . .	150	. . . . .	do.	do.
H. Smith	Do.	31st October, 1851 . . . . .	. . . . .	100	. . . . .	do.	do.
David Ramsay	Clerk	16th April, 1852 . . . . .	. . . . .	300	. . . . .	do.	do.
Rev. J. A. Gregory (not yet nominated)	Clergyman, Church of England . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	300	. . . . .	do.	do.
do.	Do. Church of Scotland . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	300	. . . . .	do.	do.
do.	Do. do. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	300	. . . . .	do.	do.
do.	Minister, Church of Rome . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	300	. . . . .	do.	do.
do.	Do. do. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	300	. . . . .	do.	do.
Rev. J. Symonds	Do., Wesleyan Church . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	300	. . . . .	do.	do.
Rev. S. Chapman	Do. do. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	300	. . . . .	do.	do.
Ballarat.	H. Smith	Commissioner in charge.	100	do.	do.	Commissioner in charge.
	David Ramsay	do.	100	do.	do.	do.

* Defrayed out of the Revenue of the South Australian Government.

No. 4.*

RETURN of the number of POLICE, distinguishing Horse and Foot, employed upon and in connection with the GOLD FIELDS, their Daily Pay, and Distribution.

Name of Gold Field.	Number of Police.										Pay.					Distribution.							
	Horse.					Foot.					Horse.						Foot.						
	Commandant.	Subaltern.	Sergeant Major.	Sergeants.	Corporals.	Troopers.	Total men.	Superintendent.	Sergeant Major.	Sergeant.	Constables.	Total men.	Commandant.	Subalterns.	Sergeant Major.		Sergeants.	Corporals.	Troopers.	Superintendent.	Sergeant Major.	Sergeants.	Constables.
Head Quarters, Carlruhe	1		1	1	3	88	43	1	1	3	29	33							£400 per annum.	8s. 9d. per diem.	7s. 9d. per diem.	6s. 9d. per diem.	
Do. Castlemaine																							
Forest Creek		3		1	3	23	27			2	18	20											
Bendigo (north) ,				1	1	8	10			2	33	37											
Eagle Hawk gully					1	7	8			1	12	13											
Ballaarat				1		8	9																
Geelong					1	3	4																
Gisborne				1		3	4																
Onco						2	2																
Melbourne		2		1	1	1	3																
Total	1	5	1	6	10	93	110	1	1	8	94	103											

48 Mounted Police employed on Escort duty.

5 Mounted Police employed on Escort duty.

* Compiled from Returns furnished by the Chief Commissioner, Mount Alexander (up to 30th June, 1852).

No. 5.

RETURN of the number, description, pay, and duties of any other Force employed on the GOLD FIELDS.

Where stationed.	Number.	Rank and description.	Pay.	Allowances.		Duties.
				Forage.	Provisions.	
Mount Alexander.	1	ENROLLED PENSIONERS. Captain 99th Regiment	15s. per diem	For 1 horse and contingent allowances as in Her Majesty's Service.	Rations	Guarding Gold and Liences, Tent and Lockup at Forest Creek and Bendigo.
	1	Subaltern 11th Regiment	10s. do.	For 1 horse, when detached	do.	
	1	Sergeant Major	5s. 6d. do.			
	7	Sergeants	3s. 6d. do.			
	6	Corporals	3s. do.			
	4	Buglers	3s. do.			
	107	Privates	2s. 6d. do.			
					Rations as per Her Majesty's Regulations on payment of 3½d. per diem.	
Ballaarat and other places	Nil	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	

No. 6.

RETURN of the number of POLICE and other persons employed on ESCORT DUTY, their Daily Pay, and the general expense of that Service weekly.

Name of Gold Field.	Number.			Total.	Daily Pay.			Allowances.	Other persons employed.	Nature of duty.	Weekly general expense of Escort Service.
	Sergents.	Corporals.	Trooper.		Sergents.	Corporals.	Troopers.				
Mount Alexander .	1	2	36	39	8s.	7s. 3d.	6s. 9d.	Forage and rations.	Nil.	Employed on Escort duty between Forest Creek and Melbourne.	It is difficult to state with any degree of accuracy the weekly expense of this Branch of duty performed by a part of the Force, the pay, rations of forage and provisions, alone, would probably amount to about Four hundred pounds (£400) per week exclusive of Contingencies.
	—	1	8	9						Do. do. and Bendigo.	
Ballarat	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	Employed on Escort duty between Ballarat and Melbourne.	Including the full pay of all men attached to the Escort Service from Ballarat, their rations and the expenses at Inns on the line of road, together with the expenses at Geelong and Melbourne, the forage for their horses, shoeing &c., the weekly expenses are made to amount to Fifty-six pounds, seventeen shillings and three pence (£56 17s. 3d.)
	—	1	2	3						Do. do. Geelong and do.	

Nos. 11 and 12.

RETURN of the Amount of GOLD forwarded by GOVERNMENT ESCORTS to MELBOURNE, since the 30th November last;—also the Amount of GOLD forwarded by the ADELAIDE ESCORT, and the nature of any Expenditure occasioned thereby to the Government of this Colony.

Name of Gold Field.	Date.	Place to which Gold has been sent by Government Escorts.	Quantity.	Valuation.				Nature of any Expenditure occasioned to this Government in the transmission of Gold to South Australia.
				At £3 10s. 0d. per oz.	At £3 17s. 10½d. per oz.	£	s.		d.
Mount Alexander	From 30th November, 1851, to 30th June, 1852. Do.	Melbourne	oz 575,813 10 0	£ 2,015,347 5 0	s. 246,240 9 8	d. 206,199 7 5½	Nil.	
		Adelaide .	52,956 10 0	185,347 15 0				
Ballarat	Do. Do. Do.	Melbourne.	18,724 10 12	65,535 16 9		72,908 12 4½	Nil.	
		Adelaide .	Nil.	Nil.				

NOTE.—A considerable quantity of Gold from Victoria has been found to exceed the Standard Value of £3 17s. 10½d. for Gold of 22 carats.

399,832 ounces were forwarded by Government Escorts in July and August, and

64,743 " " " " " the Adelaide Escort in the same months.

No. 13.

RETURN of the AMOUNT of GOLD EXPORTED from the Colony since the Discovery of the Gold Fields, specifying the Names of the Ships conveying the Gold, and the Ports for which they sailed.

Date.	Name of Ship.	Destination.	Port sailed from and quantity of Gold shipped.												TOTAL.		
			Melbourne.			Geelong.			Portland Bay.			Port Fairy.			ozs.	dwt	grs.
			ozs.	dwt	grs.	ozs.	dwt	grs.	ozs.	dwt	grs.	ozs.	dwt	grs.	ozs.	dwt	grs.
1851.																	
August 29,	Honduras -	London -	18	0	0										18	0	0
October 20,	Shamrock -	Sydney -	1,547	15	0										1,547	15	0
November 6,	Coquette -	do -				788	6	4							788	6	4
" 19,	Shamrock -	do -	2,652	17	0										2,652	17	0
December 6,	Hero -	London -				26,734	0	0							26,734	0	0
15,	Dorset -	HobartTown -				583	5	0							583	5	0
18,	Melbourne -	London -				6,586	0	0							6,586	0	0
22,	do -	do -	54,000	0	0										54,000	0	0
24,	Shamrock -	Sydney -	24,933	0	0										24,933	0	0
29,	Favorite -	do -	744	6	12										744	6	12
30,	Himalaya -	London -	26,547	5	0										26,547	5	0
1852.																	
January 6,	Hirondelle -	Sydney -	1,703	0	0										1,703	0	0
7,	Sword Fish -	HobartTown -	900	0	0										900	0	0
8,	Phoebe -	Sydney -	2,504	0	0										2,504	0	0
8,	Brilliant -	London -				12,483	1	4							12,483	1	4
15,	do -	do -	42,594	0	10										42,594	0	10
15,	Thomas & Henry	Sydney -	1,000	0	0										1,000	0	0
16,	Sarah Anne -	London -	14,004	6	0										14,004	6	0
16,	Statesman -	do -				9,666	9	16							9,666	9	16
19,	Susanne -	Hamburg -	3,411	0	0										3,411	0	0
22,	May Queen -	London -							389	0	0				389	0	0
24,	Shamrock -	Sydney -	26,821	8	0										26,821	8	0
27,	Statesman -	London -	42,879	0	0										42,879	0	0
28,	Aberfoyle -	do -				2,116	10	0							2,116	10	0
February 3,	Christabel -	do -	54	7	0										54	7	0
3,	Dart -	Sydney -	1,876	17	0										1,876	17	0
4,	Cape Horn -	do -	1,225	7	0										1,225	7	0
4,	Helen -	London -										1,286	7	0	1,286	7	0
5,	Favorite -	Sydney -	3,205	16	0										3,205	16	0
7,	Cornelius -	London -							795	14	0				795	14	0
9,	Aberfoyle -	do -	33,844	0	0										33,844	0	0
9,	Enchanter -	do -				6,365	11	12							6,365	11	12
11,	Prince of Wales	Sydney -	5,109	11	0										5,109	11	0
13,	Aberfoyle -	London -	6,428	0	0										6,428	0	0
20,	Clara -	Sydney -	1,848	19	0										1,848	19	0
20,	Britannia -	London -							292	0	0				292	0	0
25,	Enchanter -	do -	22,988	17	0										22,988	17	0
25,	Shamrock -	Sydney -	34,578	14	0										34,578	14	0
27,	Syria -	London -	11,503	0	0										11,503	0	0
28,	Northumberland	do -	16,900	11	0										16,900	11	0
28,	Don Juan -	Sydney -	3,585	0	0										3,585	0	0
28,	Essington -	do -										204	0	0	204	0	0
March 1,	Vanguard -	London -				2,025	0	0							2,025	0	0
2,	Tasmania -	do -							403	5	0				403	5	0
4,	Wild Irish Girl -	Sydney -	1,114	11	0										1,114	11	0
4,	Queen of Sheba -	Adelaide -	100	0	0										100	0	0
5,	Emma -	Sydney -	200	0	0										200	0	0
5,	Posthumous -	London -	13,227	16	0										13,227	16	0
8,	Christina -	Sydney -	45	0	0										45	0	0
11,	Posthumous -	London -	1,892	15	0										1,892	15	0
11,	Henry Edward -	Adelaide -	200	0	0										200	0	0
11,	Wycliffe -	London -										200	0	0	200	0	0
15,	Dart -	Sydney -	1,633	7	0										1,633	7	0
16,	Wellington -	London -	4,445	1	0										4,445	1	0
16,	Nelson -	do -				3,275	19	0							3,275	19	0
22,	Thomas Hughes	do -	6,220	0	0										6,220	0	0
22,	Elizabeth -	Adelaide -	935	0	0										935	0	0
23,	Shamrock -	Sydney -				236	18	0							236	18	0
24,	do -	do -	4,754	16	0										4,754	16	0
25,	Champion -	Adelaide -	2,500	0	0										2,500	0	0
27,	Kiwi -	do -				1,703	10	0							1,703	10	0
29,	Benjamin Heape	London -	24,930	4	0										24,930	4	0
30,	Thomas & Henry	Sydney -	1,903	15	0										1,903	15	0
30,	Rienzi -	Adelaide -	600	0	0										600	0	0
30,	Hooghley -	London -				4,463	0	0							4,463	0	0
31,	Admiral -	do -	30,396	0	0										30,396	0	0
April 2,	Margaret & Mary	Sydney -				740	15	12							740	15	12
16,	Derwent -	London -	2,684	12	10										2,684	12	10
16,	Vanguard -	do -	15,465	0	0										15,465	0	0
20,	Nelson -	do -	5,210	0	0										5,210	0	0
20,	Stebonheath -	do -	56,178	1	12										56,178	1	12
22,	Dart -	Sydney -	1,638	18	0										1,638	18	0
22,	Hero -	Adelaide -	200	0	0										200	0	0
24,	Punch -	do -	200	0	0										200	0	0
	Carried over -		566,083	13	20	77,768	6	0	1,879	19	0	1,690	7	0	647,422	5	20

No. 13 continued.]

Date.	Name of Ship.	Destination.	Port sailed from and quantity of Gold shipped.				TOTAL.		
			Melbourne.	Geelong.	Portland Bay.	Port Fairy.	ozs.	dwts.	grs.
1852.	Brought forward	-	566,083 13 20	77,768 6 0	1,879 19 0	1,690 7 0	647,422 5 20		
April 26,	Emma -	Sydney -	210 0 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	210 0 0		
28,	Waratah -	do -	9,984 13 20	- - -	- - -	- - -	9,984 13 20		
May 1,	Golden Spring -	do -	400 0 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	400 0 0		
3,	Hooghley -	London -	6,642 14 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	6,642 14 0		
13,	Blundell -	do -	6,988 0 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	6,988 0 0		
15,	LordMontgomerie	Adelaide -	3,358 0 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	3,358 0 0		
17,	Elizabeth -	do -	131 0 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	131 0 0		
20,	Coquette -	Sydney -	- - -	373 5 0	- - -	- - -	373 5 0		
22,	Shamrock -	do -	5,242 9 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	5,242 9 0		
27,	Commodore -	London -	- - -	5,848 13 0	- - -	- - -	5,848 13 0		
28,	Medway -	do -	65,051 4 12	- - -	- - -	- - -	65,051 4 12		
29,	Cape Horn -	Sydney -	- - -	940 0 0	- - -	- - -	940 0 0		
June 1,	Champion -	Adelaide -	731 0 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	731 0 0		
2,	Conside -	Sydney -	7,309 13 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	7,309 13 0		
4,	Kiwi -	Adelaide -	- - -	500 0 0	- - -	- - -	500 0 0		
9,	Waratah -	Sydney -	5,874 16 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	5,874 16 0		
11,	Lima -	London -	34,813 14 12	- - -	- - -	- - -	34,813 14 12		
14,	Daphne -	Adelaide -	313 0 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	313 0 0		
16,	Mazeppa -	do -	231 16 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	231 16 0		
18,	Margaret -	Sydney -	- - -	975 0 0	- - -	- - -	975 0 0		
23,	Competitor -	London -	40,707 8 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	40,707 8 0		
23,	Hero -	Adelaide -	700 0 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	700 0 0		
24,	Commodore -	London -	32,748 17 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	32,748 17 0		
25,	Shamrock -	Sydney -	8,094 2 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	8,094 2 0		
29,	Golden Spring -	do -	500 0 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	500 0 0		
29,	Conside -	do -	2,935 17 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	2,935 17 0		
30,	Amicus -	Adelaide -	979 1 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	979 1 0		
		Totals -	800,030 19 16	86,405 4 0	1,879 19 0	1,690 7 0	890,006 9 16		

NOTE.—Large quantities of Gold are known to have been taken by private hands from the Colony, both to Europe and the neighbouring Colonies, and of such Gold no return has been made through the Customs.

The Export of Gold from the Colony in July has been	179,411 11 12	Total to 31st August	1,241,508 12 4
August "	172,090 11 0		351,502 2 12

SUMMARY AND VALUATION.

Name of Place to which Gold has been Shipped.	Quantity.	VALUATION.	
		At £3 10s per ounce.	At £3 17s 10½d per ounce.
London - - - -	ozs. dwts. grs. 702,293 4 16	£. s. d. 2,458,026 6 4	£. s. d. 2,734,554 5 6¼
Sydney - - - -	169,436 13 0	593,028 5 6	659,743 19 1¼
Adelaide - - - -	13,382 7 0	46,838 4 6	52,107 10 6
Hobart Town - - - -	1,483 5 0	5,191 7 6	5,775 8 0½
Hamburg - - - -	3,411 0 0	11,938 10 0	13,281 11 7½
Totals - - - Ozs.	890,006 9 16	£3,115,022 13 10	£3,465,462 14 9½

NOTE.—A considerable quantity of Gold from Victoria has been found to exceed the Standard Value of £3. 17s. 10½d. for Gold of 22 Carats.

Additional Valuation of 351,502ozs. 2dwts. 12grs. exported in July and August, at £3 10s per oz., £1,230,257 8s 9d. At £3 17s 10½d, £1,368,661 7s.

A large amount of Gold is known to have been forwarded to Van Diemen's Land, without Official Entry in the Victoria Customs. The officially reported Exports of "Victoria Gold" from Van Diemen's Land on the 30th September, amounted to 108,610 oz., of which but a small proportion is exhibited in the Export List from this Colony.

The same principle extends more largely with reference to New South Wales and South Australia.

Nos. 14 and 15.

RETURN of the Amount (if any) of GOLD Lost in course of transmission by Escort, specifying the Number of Parcels, the particulars of such losses, and the nature of Compensation given;—also the Amount (if any) of Gold in the hands of the Government for which no Claimants appear, or for which Claims have not been allowed or duly established.

Number of Parcels lost.	Particulars of losses.	Nature of compensation given.	Amount of Gold in hands of Government.		
			For which no Claimants appear.	For which claims have not been allowed.	For which claims have not been duly established.
Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

Note.—No Gold is known to have been lost in course of transmission by Escort, but claims have been made in three different cases as follows:—

- 1st. A bag said to contain 37oz. of Gold was deposited with Mr. Assistant Commissioner Cockburn, and when claimed could nowhere be found; the amount has since been refunded.
- 2nd. A Clerical error occurred in giving a receipt for 11½oz. of Gold in lieu of 9½oz.; this amount has since been paid.
- 3rd. The weight of a parcel of Gold on its arrival at the Treasury, differed from the amount stated in the receipt given at Mount Alexander. The difference, 5¼oz. has also been made good.

No. 16.

RETURN of any correspondence which may have taken place with the Imperial Authorities
respecting the establishment of a Colonial Mint or Assay Office.

Correspondence respecting establishment of a Colonial Mint or Assay Office.
Nil.

Nos. 17 and 18.

RETURN of the number of persons, with the nature of the offences charged against them, not including summons cases, nor cases where fines were inflicted, convicted, held to bail, or committed for trial by the Magistrates at the GOLD FIELDS, since the 1st of September last, indicating, if practicable, those arrived from Van Diemen's Land; also the number of summons cases, and of those involving fines, with the nature of those dealt with by the Magistrates for a similar period.

Name of Gold Field.	Number of cases.	Nature of offence.	How dealt with.	From whence.	Number.		Nature of offence.	How dealt with.
					Of Summons Cases.	Of Cases Involving Fines.		
Mount Alexander.	10	Assaults	Committed for trial	Not known	8		Under Master and Servant's Act.	Some mulcted of their wages, some sent to Gaol and some dismissed.
	11	Robbery	Do. do.	Do.	9	752 168 26 31	Assaults Under 15 Vict: No. 15 Do. No. 14 Do. No. 12 Drunkards.	Some fined, others bound over to keep the peace.
	21				17	977		
Ballarat.	1	Assault and accessory to a rape	Dismissed	Van Diemen's Land	1		Threatening language	Three months imprisonment in default of sufficient sureties to keep the peace.
	2	Accessory to a felony	Discharged	Not known	6 3 1		Vagrancy Assault and threatening Absenting from hired service Mining without licenses Drunk and disorderly Do. Using obscene language Keeping a disorderly tent Selling spirits without a license	Committed for three months to House of Correction. Bound over to keep the peace. To forfeit wages. Fined. Do. Do. Three months imprisonment in default of payment of Fine. Fined.
	3				11	63		

GENERAL SUMMARY OF FOREGOING RETURNS.

Completed to 30th June, 1852, and supplemented by notes of later dates.

Commissioners and Clerks.	Police.		Number of Licenses issued.		Amount of Gold escorted by Government.			Exports of Gold.				Revenue received.			Total Revenue.	Total Expenditure.	
	Mounted.	Foot.	Men.	Officers.	From Mount Alexander.	From Ballaarat.	Total.	By sea (officially notified.)	By Adelaide escort.	Total.	Value.		License Fees.	Escort Fees.			Custody of Gold.
											at £3 10s. per oz.	at £3 17 10 ¹ / ₂ d per oz.					
15	6	110	1	103	573,913 0 0	18,724 10 12	594,538 0 12	890,003 9 10	52,953 10 0	942,962 19 10	£ 3,900,370 8 10	£ 3,671,662 2 4	£ 184,507 19 0	£ 13,079 12 11	£ 309 11 8	£ 148,407 3 7	£ 80,344 3 11
14					103,636	4384	112,970										

Colonial Secretary's Office,
15th July, 1852.

Note.—The Numbers of Licenses issued for the months of July, August, and September, were as follows: Mount Alexander 77,217
Ballaarat . . . 3,906

— Total 81,123 at £1 10s. 0d. £121,084 10s. 0d.

The Quantity of Gold received per Government Escort for the months of July, August, and September, amounted to 514,171 oz. 10 dwts., at £3 10s. 0d. per oz., £1,709,600 10s. 0d.

The Quantity of Gold exported from this Colony during the months of July, August, and September, amounted to 577,433 oz. 19 dwts. 12 grs., at £3 10s. 0d. per oz. £2,021,018 18s 3d.; at £3 17s. 10¹/₂d. £2,248,383 10s. 10d.
Brought down £3,300,370 8s. 10d. do. do. £3,671,662 2s. 4d.

Total Export to 30th September £5,321,389 7s. 1d. do. do. £5,920,045 13s. 2d.