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# STATISTICS

OF

# THE COLONY OF VICTORIA,

FOR THE YEAR

# 1867.

COMPILED FROM OFFICIAL RECORDS IN THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

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PART VII.

# PRODUCTION.

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# STATISTICS OF VICTORIA, 1867.

## PRODUCTION.

### CROWN LANDS GRANTED AND SOLD.

RETURN of Lands Granted without Purchase, and Sold, in each County and Unsettled District of the Colony of Victoria, and of the Amount Realized, during the Year 1867.

Counties and Districts.	Lots under 100 Acres.						Lots over 100 and under 500 Acres.						Lots over 500 Acres.						Total Sold in the Colony.	Total Grants without Purchase in the Colony.	Total Extent Unalienated in the Colony.	Average Price per Acre.		
	Granted.			Sold.			Granted.			Sold.			Granted.			Sold.							Amount Realized.	
	No.	A.	R. P.	No.	A.	R. P.	No.	A.	R. P.	No.	A.	R. P.	No.	A.	R. P.	No.	A.	R. P.						
Anglesey	...	...	...	3	457	1 25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	748	1 19	1,382	14	2
Bourke	5	8 2 20	...	2	559	0 26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,766	2 33	25,059	9	6
Dalhousie	...	...	...	3	345	3 16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,512	0 51	2,436	15	6
Dundas	...	...	...	32	5,371	0 23	...	640	0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,856	1 6	16,068	16	3
Evelyn	...	...	...	4	728	0 13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,176	3 33	2,116	11	8
Follett	...	...	...	1	299	2 28	...	1,280	0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,579	2 28	1,579	13	6
Grant	2	2 3 33	...	18	2,506	0 21	...	...	...	2	2 3 33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,211	0 13	10,062	10	3
Greenville	...	...	...	29	4,608	2 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,095	3 26	12,480	15	8
Hampton	...	...	...	68	10,482	2 28	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14,321	3 7	23,910	9	11
Heytesbury	...	...	...	3	514	0 31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	756	0 19	1,217	11	8
Mornington	...	...	...	15	2,125	3 14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,440	2 30	4,418	14	10
Normanby	...	...	...	31	7,787	1 22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9,666	0 33	14,913	16	4
Polwarth	...	...	...	2	258	1 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	540	3 34	2,524	4	6
Ripon	...	...	...	6	1,321	3 13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,413	3 0	6,648	12	11
Talbot	...	...	...	4	779	3 2	...	640	0 0	...	2 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,534	3 58	4,487	9	9
Villiers	...	...	...	9	1,278	1 2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	164	5 66	12,620	16	9
Gippsland	...	...	...	36	6,578	1 9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15,202	0 14	19,224	18	8
The Loddon	...	...	...	17	3,274	1 29	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	586	5 72	9,407	0 10	...
The Murray	...	...	...	16	2,127	0 39	...	640	0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	308	4 27	6,256	19	0
Rodney	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	1 67	244	6	3
The Wimmera...	...	...	...	82	19,298	3 7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	326	35 47	37,014	18	7
Total	11	25 3 13	3,990	381	70,702	3 28	...	15,419	2 15	11	25 3 13	4,396	129,332	3 24	214,077	6 6	6,399,597	1,050,824	49,243,512	...	...	...	...	...

C. HODGKINSON,  
Acting Commissioner of Lands and Survey.

**CROWN LANDS GRANTED AND SOLD.—DECENNIAL RETURN.**

Year.	Extent of Land Alienated during the Year.			Amount Realized during the Year.			Total Extent Alienated in the Colony up to the end of the Year.			Total Extent Unalienated in the Colony at the end of the Year. <i>a</i>											
	Granted without Purchase.			Total.			Average per Acre.			Granted without Purchase.			Sold.								
	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	A.	R.	P.	A.	R.	P.						
1858	68	0	33	255,724	2	28	638,650	1	3	2	9	11	439	0	13	3,042,514	2	30	52,601,206	0	37
1859	122	2	1	459,081	2	7	814,163	15	6	1	15	5	561	2	14	3,501,596	0	37	52,142,002	0	29
1860	26	3	7	492,247	2	7	663,238	8	2	1	6	11	588	1	21	3,993,843	3	4	51,649,727	3	15
1861	51	0	10	514,744	3	12	623,487	14	5	1	4	2	639	1	31	4,508,588	2	16	51,134,931	1	33
1862	200	3	31	844,969	2	38	910,862	7	7	1	1	7	840	1	22	5,353,558	1	14	50,289,761	1	4
1863	46	3	28	295,180	0	1	450,645	13	3½	1	10	6	887	1	10	5,048,738	1	15	49,994,534	1	15
1864	114	0	39	260,169	0	5	522,601	10	9½	2	0	2	1,001	2	9	5,908,907	1	20	49,734,251	0	11
1865	19	0	18	139,775	2	3	295,455	18	8	2	2	3	1,020	2	27	6,048,682	3	23	49,594,456	1	29
1866	3	2	0	221,582	0	7	380,240	6	6	1	14	4	1,024	0	27	6,270,264	3	30	49,372,870	3	22
1867	25	3	14	129,332	3	25	214,077	6	6	1	13	1	1,050	0	1	6,399,597	3	15	49,243,512	0	24

(a) The area of the colony is estimated at 55,644,160 acres, or 86,944 square miles.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**CROWN LANDS LEASED.**

RETURN of Lands Leased from the Crown in each County and Unsettled District of the Colony of Victoria, and the Amount of Rent paid, during the Year 1867.

Counties and Districts.	Lands Leased under "The Amending Land Act 1865" (28 Vic. No. 237).			Counties and Districts.	Lands Leased under "The Amending Land Act 1865" (28 Vic. No. 237).										
	Section 12.				Section 12.										
	Selectors.	Extent.			Amount.	Selectors.	Extent.		Amount.						
	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.		
Anglesey ...	42	6,895	0	29	346	0	0	Polwarth ...	24	4,544	2	3	227	16	0
Bourke ...	28	5,167	1	4	259	1	0	Ripon ...	102	20,995	3	11	1,052	14	0
Dalhousie ...	11	1,173	3	31	58	19	0	Talbot ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Dundas ...	98	26,302	3	25	1,316	10	0	Villiers ...	54	10,718	3	25	537	3	0
Evelyn ...	1	79	1	16	4	0	0	Gippsland ...	93	19,634	3	14	983	15	0
Follett ...	11	3,419	2	27	171	4	0	The Loddon ...	165	43,351	2	33	2,170	12	0
Grant ...	10	1,634	1	1	81	19	0	The Murray ...	124	19,858	2	27	994	13	0
Grenville ...	5	612	2	5	30	15	0	Rodney ...	78	13,515	2	9	676	12	0
Hampden ...	93	20,936	1	6	1,048	9	0	The Wimmera ...	69	14,573	0	21	730	0	0
Heytesbury ...	64	13,112	2	15	656	17	0	Total ...	1,159	243,558	3	39	12,200	10	0
Mornington ...	39	7,787	3	8	390	5	0								
Normanby ...	48	9,244	0	9	463	6	0								

C. HODGKINSON, Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Survey.

**STATIONS.—NUMBER AND AREA.**

RETURN showing the Number of Squatting Stations in each Crown Lands Commissioner's District, and their Area, both as regards Crown and Purchased Land, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Pastoral Districts.	Number of Runs.	Number of Acres of Crown Land embraced in Runs.	Number of Purchased Land attached.	Number of Acres of Purchased Land attached to Runs.	Pastoral Districts.	Number of Runs.	Number of Acres of Crown Land embraced in Runs.	Number of Purchased Land attached.	Number of Acres of Purchased Land attached to Runs.
Ararat ...	22	157,805	19	337,724	Omeo ...	24	814,893	6	1,544
Ballarat ...	21	141,619	11	123,451	Portland ...	89	1,104,384	46	170,812
Beechworth ...	80	1,584,587	43	30,455	Settled Districts	56	435,543	29	28,445
Benalla ...	107	3,243,984	50	101,904	Swan Hill ...	82	6,456,995	11	5,120
Castlemaine ...	59	1,470,493	41	160,384	Warrnambool...	53	375,232	48	668,444
Echuca ...	51	1,960,425	36	65,561	Wimmera East	65	2,073,782	32	62,419
Gippsland North	48	2,070,751	21	36,830	Wimmera West and Hamilton	146	5,487,371	73	301,345
Gippsland South	55				25				
Gisborne ...	55	770,450	29	46,294	Total ...	1,075	28,505,344	561	2,450,793
Grant ...	29	67,361	22	213,493					
Melbourne ...	33	289,669	19	25,607					

NOTE.—The number and extent of Runs in each district is taken from a Return furnished by the Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey. The remainder of the table has been compiled from returns voluntarily furnished by the squatters in reply to inquiries from the Registrar-General's department.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**SQUATTING RUNS.—NUMBER AND AREA.—DECENNIAL RETURN.**

Year.	Number of Runs.	Approximate Area.	Year.	Number of Runs.	Approximate Area.
1858	1,179	Acres.	1863	1,161	28,826,756
1859	1,192	...	1864	1,177	30,463,999
1860	1,223	...	1865	1,125	29,354,436
1861	1,265	41,400,080	1866	1,129	29,003,998
1862	1,249	37,023,093	1867	1,075	28,505,344

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.—LAND OCCUPIED AND CULTIVATED.

RETURN showing the Number of Holders of Purchased Land, and of Crown Land Rented for other than Pastoral purposes, the aggregate Extent of their Holdings, the Quantity of Land Enclosed, the Total Area in Cultivation, and the Number of Acres under each description of Crop, in each County and Unsettled District, and in the entire Colony, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Number of Holdings exceeding One Acre.			Extent of Land in Occupation.					Extent of Land under each description of Crop.						
	Freehold.	Purchased Land.		Crown Land Rented for other than Pastoral purposes.	Total Area in Occupation.	Extent of Enclosed Land.	Extent of Land under Tillage.	Grain Crops.							
		Rented.	Total.					Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.	Rye and Bere.	Pease, Beans, Millet, and Sorghum.	Total.	
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
Anglesey ...	34,039	1,366	35,405	61,495	55,519	5,011	1,596	1,233	70	8	2	13	2,922		
Bourke <sup>a</sup> ...	4,262	292,189	734,801	765,068	695,819	86,061	16,061	14,157	3,965	43	241	845	32,312		
Dalhousie ...	145,686	50,975	196,661	250,340	214,461	52,200	18,879	15,102	519	3	56	246	34,805		
Dundas ...	340,681	26,654	367,335	444,135	423,720	8,375	3,575	1,308	67	...	10	5	4,965		
Evelyn ...	49,965	27,857	77,822	90,097	83,310	7,891	634	1,495	15	11	6	93	1,954		
Follett ...	29,163	15	29,678	34,904	33,384	487	211	57	6	...	2	...	276		
Grant ...	476,356	237,540	713,896	793,062	689,164	64,112	17,413	12,462	3,743	1	320	1,445	35,384		
Grenville ...	471,229	108,713	579,942	601,316	599,466	25,070	5,654	6,052	503	5	38	61	12,313		
Hampden ...	680,891	32,804	713,755	812,629	800,707	13,800	2,830	2,423	305	...	16	10	5,484		
Heytesbury ...	38,615	6,525	45,140	113,606	103,753	7,775	1,195	756	38	...	1	15	2,005		
Mornington ...	135,900	72,592	208,492	239,737	214,714	7,12	1,960	1,060	36	17	14	89	1,928		
Normanby ...	268,704	23,293	291,997	374,159	368,562	15,180	6,817	1,820	207	4	8	24	8,925		
Folwarth ...	114,798	7,257	122,055	101,016	141,745	10,243	1,597	1,099	50	...	37	37	2,791		
Ripon ...	489,703	107,716	597,419	735,234	684,538	39,322	10,294	10,331	232	...	89	12	20,958		
Talbot ...	249,881	90,377	340,258	400,326	350,115	116,134	57,320	31,429	1,278	5	222	154	90,408		
Villiers ...	497,641	148,106	645,747	726,631	704,449	34,000	7,425	3,334	740	2	103	343	11,947		
Gippsland ...	205,617	20,586	226,203	280,520	271,065	15,015	6,332	3,416	1,686	22	13	113	11,582		
The Loddon ...	233,157	28,555	261,712	371,339	325,009	53,930	26,890	1,204	1,204	10	59	48	33,272		
The Murray ...	239,824	12,465	252,289	374,152	303,212	48,494	24,485	15,679	637	439	...	69	39,308		
Rodney ...	51,142	4,405	55,607	133,338	117,279	8,790	4,045	1,032	407	9	10	21	5,524		
The Wimmera ...	166,244	6,042	172,286	345,391	155,861	11,643	3,024	1,756	274	...	37	15	5,106		
Total ...	5,362,348	1,306,062	6,668,410	8,108,465	7,335,852	631,207	216,989	125,345	15,982	579	1,376	3,658	363,929		

(a) The collector for South Bourke failed to perform his contract, and therefore the figures of the previous year have been taken to make up the totals for the County of Bourke. The uncompleted portion of that county is unimportant in an agricultural point of view; the holdings consist chiefly of market gardens, and the returns differ but little from year to year.

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.—LAND OCCUPIED AND CULTIVATED, and of Crown Land Rented for other than Pastoral purposes, &c., for Year ending 31st March, 1868—continued.

Extent of Land under each description of Crop.

Counties and Districts.	Green Crops.												Green Forage.					Other Crops.					Land in Fallow.					
	(Exclusive of those in Market and Kitchen Gardens.)												Hay.	Total.	Cereal Grasses: Barley, Wheat, Oats, &c.	Maize.	Rye Grass, Lucerne, Clover, Vetches, &c.	Sorghum.	Permanent Artificial Grasses.	Total.	Onions.	Tobacco.		Vines.	Other Crops.	Gardens.	Orchards.	Total.
	Potatoes.	Turnips.	Mangel-wurzel.	Beet, Carrots, Parsnips, and Cabbage.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.																
Anglesey	248	...	3	...	...	016	6	...	4	...	3	76	89	...	10	4	...	124	15	...	153	980						
Bourke	5,795	18	305	...	...	22,652	613	...	248	...	3	13,457	14,876	133	25	755	...	3,943	1,414	...	6,673	3,228						
Dalhousie	3,206	12	10	...	...	6,338	53	...	75	...	3	6,205	6,358	...	19	64	...	257	90	...	439	1,006						
Dundas	...	...	...	...	...	1,281	2	...	101	...	...	856	959	...	3	13	...	88	8	...	141	649						
Evelyn	810	...	...	...	...	1,119	11	...	11	...	...	2,715	2,862	1	6	409	...	194	172	...	787	337						
Follett	21	...	...	...	...	88	1	...	...	...	...	80	81	...	...	...	...	8	10	...	20	1						
Grant	5,200	10	285	...	...	13,565	115	...	446	...	10	5,269	5,871	86	...	1,090	...	806	57	...	2,617	1,024						
Grenville	1,234	...	25	...	...	8,064	34	...	528	...	20	1,075	1,678	...	...	76	...	125	5	...	310	1,444						
Hampden	743	...	27	...	...	2,261	...	...	...	...	...	4,165	4,998	...	31	19	...	26	3	...	77	500						
Heytesbury	741	8	21	...	...	402	...	...	9	...	...	4,182	4,182	2	...	...	...	3	2	...	25	387						
Mornington	918	6	55	...	...	1,295	36	...	134	...	5	2,524	2,797	4	...	64	...	68	140	...	376	321						
Normanby	966	3	40	...	...	2,980	5	...	53	...	...	1,255	1,313	...	...	11	...	655	36	...	714	238						
Porwarth	441	1	3	...	...	640	...	...	41	...	...	6,346	6,387	...	...	4	...	80	45	...	129	50						
Ripon	1,447	1	68	...	...	9,126	53	...	18	...	...	2,016	2,091	1	6	33	...	180	51	...	323	5,126						
Talbot	4,045	15	166	...	...	13,828	95	...	569	...	...	769	1,460	...	1	226	...	327	215	...	790	5,320						
Villiers	7,939	6	97	...	...	2,833	91	...	298	...	...	9,378	9,768	5	24	43	...	225	136	...	461	1,004						
Gippsland	897	8	71	...	...	905	...	...	1	...	...	1,219	1,228	4	...	17	...	109	71	...	211	110						
The Loddon	138	20	31	...	...	10,804	130	...	260	...	1	540	945	5	10	489	...	851	421	...	1,781	6,915						
The Murray	523	1	1	...	...	4,480	2	...	69	...	5	649	735	4	53	820	...	470	58	...	1,417	1,872						
Rodney	50	...	...	...	...	1,332	12	...	15	...	...	116	212	...	8	70	...	143	15	...	236	1,436						
The Wimmera	234	3	50	...	...	3,764	34	...	41	...	5	399	482	...	13	133	...	286	58	...	492	1,504						
Total	35,831	114	1,269	695	37,909	108,373	1,293	987	2,930	55	64,107	69,372	245	229	4,340	755	8,968	3,635	18,172	33,452								

(a) The collector for South Bourke failed to perform his contract, and therefore the figures of the previous year have been taken to make up the totals for the County of Bourke. The uncompleted portion of that county is unimportant in an agricultural point of view; the holdings consist chiefly of market gardens, and the returns differ but little from year to year.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

LAND OCCUPIED AND CULTIVATED.—DECENNIAL RETURN.

Extent of Land under each Crop.

Year.	Number of Holders.	Extent of Land Occupied.	Extent of Land Cultivated.	Extent of Land under each Crop.												
				Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Other Cereals.	Potatoes.	Other Green Crops.	Hay.	Green Forage.	Tobacco.	Vines.	Other Crops.	Gardens and Orchards.	In Fallow.
1858	11,573	2,519,156	298,959	78,234	77,520	5,322	862	30,026	602	86,162	7,409	66	547	284	5,883	5,998
1859	13,175	3,015,607	358,727	107,002	90,107	4,101	1,282	27,622	824	98,570	10,350	50	811	369	6,180	11,244
1860	13,653	3,517,633	419,384	161,251	86,374	4,121	2,423	24,841	2,257	90,960	17,668	91	1,138	579	7,294	20,457
1861	14,900	4,090,784	439,895	196,922	91,061	3,419	2,476	27,174	2,476	101,639	16,692	220	1,464	582	6,946	16,835
1862	16,416	4,722,050	465,430	162,008	108,193	4,899	2,659	24,800	2,893	101,639	28,712	508	2,060	394	7,724	18,341
1863	17,679	5,554,531	567,798	149,392	152,326	7,795	2,893	27,584	3,350	137,172	35,342	623	3,076	546	8,282	22,218
1864	18,355	6,125,040	679,463	144,303	144,303	7,648	3,799	31,172	1,415	138,140	40,001	524	3,594	1,384	8,998	26,389
1865	20,063	6,785,225	750,196	178,688	150,817	6,887	5,130	31,644	1,850	158,580	40,001	397	4,078	1,888	10,103	33,042
1866	22,698	7,373,279	829,915	208,588	129,284	6,887	7,684	32,463	2,890	92,472	64,174	243	4,078	1,888	10,103	33,042
1867	25,828	8,108,465	631,207	216,989	125,345	15,982	5,613	35,831	2,078	108,373	69,372	229	4,340	1,000	12,603	33,452

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.



AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.—PRODUCE RAISED.

RETURN showing the Gross Produce of each description of Crop in each County and Unsettled District, and in the entire Colony, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Quantity of Produce.																							
	Grain Crops.					Green Crops. (Exclusive of those in Market and Kitchen Gardens.)					Hay.	Onions.	Tobacco.	Vines.										
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.	Rye and Bere.	Pease, Beans, Millet, and Sorghum.	Total.	Potatoes.	Turnips.	Mangel-wurzel.				Beet, Carrots, Parsnips, and Cabbage.	Total.	No. of Vines.	Not made into Wine or Brandy.	Made into Wine or Brandy.	Total.	Wine produced.	Brandy manufactured.			
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	No.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	gallons.	gallons.					
Anglesey ...	29,215	32,845	1,223	215	20	226	64,044	640	...	11	...	651	1,021	...	166	7,100	65	125	190	...	780	...	45	
Bourke a ...	22,347	182,558	72,258	1,520	2,477	12,232	494,392	17,549	164	5,314	4,214	27,241	33,337	1,290,842	4,327	6,707	4,327	6,707	11,034	46,220	1,334	...	...	
Dalhousie ...	269,479	261,530	5,837	60	649	2,218	539,773	7,577	37	38	114	7,766	5,838	75,380	323	207	323	207	530	1,334	...	...	...	...
Dundas ...	53,344	25,078	1,493	...	128	80	80,293	1,057	...	...	...	1,057	1,905	16,401	126	108	126	108	234	410	...	...	...	...
Evelyn ...	5,104	27,335	398	230	59	1,536	34,662	3,101	15	164	122	3,402	1,744	1,132,700	738	7,948	738	7,948	8,686	54,372	1,282	...	...	
Follett ...	2,801	1,566	120	...	20	...	4,597	48	...	...	...	48	99	...	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grant ...	188,814	235,333	66,419	24	4,534	17,245	512,369	13,486	91	3,390	662	17,629	16,763	2,734,702	11,128	19,853	11,128	19,853	30,981	135,150	...	...	...	...
Grenville ...	83,562	98,741	13,948	60	845	412	197,568	2,583	...	164	19	2,766	7,859	...	...	...	482	794	1,276	4,640	...	...	...	...
Hampden ...	41,186	33,243	6,600	...	377	202	81,668	2,502	2	298	38	2,840	3,313	...	...	...	48	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Heytesbury ...	17,283	12,665	1,185	...	25	258	31,416	2,638	143	898	40	3,719	709	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mornington ...	6,619	18,728	561	356	110	1,570	27,944	3,050	87	646	13	3,796	1,470	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Normanby ...	89,321	23,997	3,167	75	1,069	277	108,966	2,853	60	503	6	3,422	4,118	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Polwarth ...	17,881	13,701	498	...	123	514	32,717	593	4	8	10	615	748	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ripon ...	176,731	224,186	5,034	...	1,474	170	407,595	8,852	39	913	480	10,284	11,485	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Talbot ...	1,031,683	573,504	25,959	48	3,052	1,360	1,635,666	43,116	73	2,432	148	45,769	5,170	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Villiers ...	119,900	53,065	23,863	30	1,264	8,121	206,243	4,316	73	2,432	148	45,769	5,170	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gippsland ...	90,525	63,595	47,509	1,006	317	3,052	206,004	3,050	57	658	24	3,789	1,275	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
The Loddon ...	458,626	119,279	25,611	165	1,179	550	605,410	278	174	589	152	1,193	14,817	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
The Murray ...	374,853	270,544	8,979	7,376	900	1,135	663,787	1,248	10	4	27	1,289	5,192	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rodney ...	84,593	22,579	8,332	180	200	261	116,145	92	...	...	...	92	1,705	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
The Wimmera ...	55,296	39,400	5,742	...	419	172	101,029	467	11	402	19	899	5,514	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	3,411,663	2,333,472	324,706	11,345	19,241	51,591	6,152,018	117,787	972	16,731	6,645	142,135	140,592	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
														8,639,735	31,459	61,971	93,430	459,072	1,795					

(a) See foot note to Return of "Land Occupied and Cultivated" ante.

Note.—The number of vines in this table, and the acreage under that crop in the table of "Land Occupied and Cultivated" ante, are for the year ending 31st March, 1868; but the quantity of grapes gathered, and of wine and brandy made, as shown in this table, are for the previous season. The vintage comes in too late to admit of its being returned when the Agricultural Statistics are collected.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

PRODUCE RAISED.—DECENNIAL RETURN.

Quantity of Produce.

Year.	Vines.											
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Other Cereals.	Potatoes.	Other Green Crops.	Hay.	Tobacco.	No. of Vines.	Grapes Sold.	Wine made.	Brandy made.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	tons.	cwt.		cwt.	gallons.	gallons.
1858	1,593,113	2,166,358	115,019	15,182	108,467	4,166	113,543	873	993,662	3,579	7,746	73
1859	2,296,157	2,553,037	98,433	15,637	48,967	6,418	135,643	463	1,866,939	4,473	13,966	153
1860	3,459,914	2,653,693	83,854	3,738	77,258	19,851	144,211	1,257	2,818,114	7,979	12,128	220
1861	3,667,727	2,136,430	143,118	3,083	59,304	9,938	92,479	2,552	3,816,335	16,972	47,568	70
1862	3,008,487	2,504,301	143,056	3,977	50,597	13,855	110,680	4,324	4,492,042	16,345	91,893	10
1863	1,338,762	3,497,520	13,664	51,413	74,947	14,129	121,840	5,913	6,943,351	15,656	120,894	225
1864	1,899,371	2,694,415	124,849	50,668	59,825	8,657	97,740	3,450	8,750,498	18,627	110,044	793
1865	3,514,227	2,279,468	151,495	17,395	83,166	15,668	106,101	2,925	8,199,018	17,204	170,959	40
1866	4,641,205	3,886,406	299,417	12,616	88,880	24,252	91,243	3,218	8,231,622	17,204	284,118	40
1867	3,411,663	2,333,472	324,706	82,177	117,787	24,348	140,592	2,670	8,639,735	31,459	459,672	1,795

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

MINOR CROPS.

RETURN showing the Extent of Land devoted to certain Minor Crops ("Other Crops" in Return of Land Occupied and Cultivated *ante*), and the Produce, so far as known, of each of those Crops, in each County and Unsettled District, and in the entire Colony, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Land under Crop.													Produce of each Crop.																		
	Tares.	Hops.	Carrots For Seed.	Rye Grass.	Trifolium.	Chicory.	Vetches.	Clover.	Flax.	Pumpkins.	Sunflower.	Mulberries.	Olives.	Isape.	Heap and Canary Grass.	Oranges.	Opium Popples.	Artichokes.	Shrubbery.	Ostera.	Tares.	Hops.	Carrot Seed.	Rye Grass.	Trifolium.	Chicory.	Vetches.	Clover.	Flax.	Pumpkins.		
	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	acres	bushels.	cwt.	lbs.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	
Bourke	...	1	...	352	...	32	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	8	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	3,279	...	267	...	...	...	...	...		
Dalhousie	...	2	...	3	1	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Dundas	...	2	...	26	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	401	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Evelyn	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Grant	...	2	...	...	27	...	...	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Grenville	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Heytesbury	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mornington	...	...	...	...	...	75	...	10	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Normanby	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ripon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Talbot	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Villiers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
The Loddon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
The Murray	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
The Wimmera	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	...	5	9	2	399	45	145	1	31	2	1	2	10	6	8	2	2	12	43	98	11	130	3,947	882	542	16	200	53	10	10		

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**AVERAGE PRODUCE IN EACH COUNTY.**

RETURN showing the Average Produce per Acre of the Principal Crops in each County and Unsettled District, and in the entire Colony, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Average Produce to the Acre of—				
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Potatoes.	Hay.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.
Anglesey ... ..	18'49	26'64	17'47	2'58	1'66
Bourke ... ..	13'91	16'36	18'22	3'03	1'50
Dalhousie ... ..	14'27	17'32	11'25	2'36	'92
Dundas ... ..	14'98	19'17	21'84	2'82	1'49
Evelyn ... ..	8'05	22'87	26'53	3'83	1'56
Follett ... ..	13'27	27'47	20'00	2'29	1'12
Grant ... ..	10'84	18'88	17'74	2'56	1'24
Grenville ... ..	14'78	16'32	27'73	2'09	'97
Hampden ... ..	14'55	16'43	21'64	3'37	1'47
Heytesbury ... ..	14'46	16'75	31'18	3'56	1'76
Mornington ... ..	9'30	17'67	15'58	3'32	1'14
Normanby ... ..	11'78	13'19	15'30	2'95	1'38
Polwarth ... ..	11'20	12'47	9'96	2'46	1'17
Ripon ... ..	17'17	21'70	21'70	2'08	1'26
Talbot ... ..	18'00	18'25	20'31	2'19	1'15
Villiers ... ..	16'15	15'92	32'25	5'43	1'82
Gippsland ... ..	14'30	18'62	28'18	3'40	1'41
The Loddon ... ..	17'06	23'65	21'27	2'01	1'37
The Murray ... ..	15'31	19'78	14'10	2'39	1'16
Rodney ... ..	20'91	21'88	20'47	1'84	1'28
The Wimmera ... ..	18'29	22'44	20'96	2'00	1'46
<b>Total ... ..</b>	<b>15'72</b>	<b>18'62</b>	<b>20'32</b>	<b>3'29</b>	<b>1'30</b>

**AVERAGE PRODUCE.—DECENNIAL RETURN.**

Year ending 31st March.	Average Produce per Acre of—				
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Potatoes.	Hay.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.
1859	20'0	27'9	21'4	3'6	1'3
1860	21'4	28'3	23'9	1'8	1'4
1861	21'5	30'5	20'3	3'1	1'6
1862	18'3	23'5	19'9	2'2	1'2
1863	18'6	23'1	20'9	2'0	1'1
1864	9'0	23'0	16'8	2'7	1'3
1865	15'2	18'7	16'3	1'9	1'1
1866	19'7	22'2	22'3	2'6	1'0
1867	22'3	30'0	30'2	2'7	1'7
1868	15'7	18'6	20'3	3'3	1'3

**PROPORTION OF LAND UNDER PRINCIPAL CROPS IN EACH COUNTY.**

RETURN showing the Proportion to the Total Land in Cultivation of that placed under each of the principal Crops in each County and Unsettled District, and in the entire Colony, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Percentage to Total Cultivation of Land under—					
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Potatoes.	Hay.	Green Forage.
Anglesey ... ..	31'85	24'61	1'40	4'95	12'29	1'78
Bourke ... ..	18'66	12'96	4'61	6'73	26'32	17'29
Dalhousie ... ..	36'17	28'93	'99	6'14	12'14	12'18
Dundas ... ..	42'71	15'63	'80	4'48	15'30	11'46
Evelyn ... ..	8'03	15'14	'19	10'26	14'18	36'27
Follett ... ..	43'33	11'70	1'23	4'31	18'07	16'63
Grant ... ..	27'16	19'43	5'84	8'20	21'15	9'16
Grenville ... ..	22'55	24'14	2'01	4'92	32'17	6'69
Hampden ... ..	20'51	14'66	2'21	5'38	16'38	36'22
Heytesbury ... ..	15'37	9'72	'49	9'53	5'17	53'79
Mornington ... ..	9'25	13'77	'47	11'92	16'82	36'33
Normanby ... ..	44'91	11'99	1'36	6'36	19'63	8'65
Polwarth ... ..	15'59	10'73	'49	2'35	6'25	62'37
Ripon ... ..	26'18	26'27	'59	3'68	23'21	5'32
Talbot ... ..	49'36	27'06	1'10	3'48	11'91	1'26
Villiers ... ..	21'80	9'79	2'17	23'31	8'32	28'68
Gippsland ... ..	42'17	22'75	11'23	5'97	6'03	8'18
The Loddon ... ..	49'86	9'35	2'23	'26	20'03	1'75
The Murray ... ..	50'58	28'26	1'32	1'08	9'26	1'52
Rodney ... ..	46'02	11'74	4'63	'57	15'15	2'41
The Wimmera ... ..	25'97	15'08	2'35	2'01	32'33	4'14
<b>Total ... ..</b>	<b>34'38</b>	<b>19'86</b>	<b>2'53</b>	<b>5'68</b>	<b>17'17</b>	<b>10'99</b>

## PROPORTION OF LAND UNDER PRINCIPAL CROPS.—DECENNIAL RETURN.

Year ending 31st March.	Proportion to Total Land Cultivated of that under—					
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Potatoes.	Hay.	Green Fomge.
	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
1859	26·2	25·9	1·8	10·0	28·9	2·9
1860	29·8	25·1	1·1	7·7	27·4	4·2
1861	38·4	20·6	1·0	5·9	21·7	3·8
1862	44·8	20·7	0·8	6·2	16·9	3·8
1863	34·8	23·2	1·5	5·3	21·9	6·2
1864	29·4	30·0	1·5	5·4	19·0	7·0
1865	26·1	30·1	1·6	6·5	17·8	8·3
1866	33·7	19·4	1·3	6·0	18·5	10·5
1867	35·2	21·8	1·7	5·5	15·6	10·8
1868	34·4	19·9	2·5	5·7	17·2	11·0

## OCCUPIERS OF VARIOUS SIZED HOLDINGS IN EACH COUNTY.

RETURN showing the Number of Holders of Allotments of different sizes in each County and Unsettled District during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Total.	Number of Holders of Land of—									
		1 acre to 5 acres.	5 to 15 acres.	15 to 30 acres.	30 to 50 acres.	50 to 100 acres.	100 to 200 acres.	200 to 350 acres.	350 to 500 acres.	500 acres and upwards.	
Anglesey ...	198	5	9	5	17	36	54	31	9	32	
Bourke ...	4,768	537	1,079	585	364	647	712	447	123	274	
Dalhousie ...	1,726	57	99	210	213	478	343	198	60	68	
Dundas ...	507	33	42	35	31	65	84	54	48	115	
Evelyn ...	493	14	32	44	56	142	85	60	17	43	
Follett ...	29	...	5	2	...	...	2	5	5	10	
Grant ...	3,555	155	404	510	466	881	580	260	100	199	
Grenville ...	936	22	82	128	132	232	162	70	17	91	
Hampden ...	453	3	36	27	29	58	79	83	33	105	
Heytesbury ...	334	3	13	9	7	73	87	84	15	43	
Mornington ...	767	31	61	48	40	111	183	131	52	110	
Normanby ...	1,007	107	111	64	66	182	208	118	47	104	
Polwarth ...	461	24	41	20	30	83	145	62	22	38	
Ripon ...	998	56	73	91	72	196	185	133	56	136	
Talbot ...	2,890	114	297	439	420	751	513	226	52	78	
Villiers ...	1,487	161	260	159	125	153	279	147	47	156	
Gippsland ...	808	61	80	77	90	138	138	80	30	114	
The Loddon ...	1,859	111	218	279	225	378	305	153	55	135	
The Murray ...	1,414	30	74	73	97	348	363	243	66	120	
Rodney ...	264	...	6	23	15	62	69	34	17	38	
The Wimmera ...	874	66	178	135	108	134	85	46	27	95	
Total ...	25,828	1,590	3,200	2,963	2,603	5,148	4,657	2,665	898	2,104	
Percentage ...	100·00	6·15	12·39	11·47	10·08	19·93	18·03	10·32	3·48	8·15	

## OCCUPIERS OF VARIOUS SIZED HOLDINGS.—DECENNIAL RETURN.

Year ending 31st March.	Total Number of Holders.	Number of Holders of—									
		1 acre to 5 acres.	5 to 15 acres.	15 to 30 acres.	30 to 50 acres.	50 to 100 acres.	100 to 200 acres.	200 to 350 acres.	350 to 500 acres.	500 acres and upwards.	
1859	11,573	786	1,674	1,241	1,206	2,199	2,087	1,140	273	967	
1860	13,175	1,082	1,905	1,439	1,380	2,477	2,316	1,220	327	1,029	
1861	13,653	1,042	1,900	1,402	1,369	2,573	2,520	1,340	380	1,127	
1862	14,960	998	2,000	1,648	1,533	2,864	2,843	1,444	381	1,249	
1863	16,416	1,054	2,273	1,917	1,638	3,104	3,279	1,457	423	1,271	
1864	17,679	1,348	2,437	1,975	1,749	3,396	3,440	1,545	459	1,330	
1865	18,355	1,344	2,464	1,990	1,846	3,486	3,717	1,657	477	1,374	
1866	20,063	1,440	2,676	2,174	1,939	3,622	3,864	1,967	677	1,704	
1867	22,698	1,352	2,855	2,660	2,170	4,387	4,209	2,324	818	1,923	
1868	25,828	1,590	3,200	2,963	2,603	5,148	4,657	2,665	898	2,104	

LAND EMBRACED IN VARIOUS SIZED HOLDINGS IN EACH COUNTY.

RETURN showing the Extent of Land embraced in Holdings of different sizes in each County and Unsettled District during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Total.	Extent of Land embraced in Holdings of—								
		1 acre to 5 acres.	5 to 15 acres.	15 to 30 acres.	30 to 50 acres.	50 to 100 acres.	100 to 200 acres.	200 to 350 acres.	350 to 500 acres.	500 acres and upwards.
Anglesey ... ..	61,495	12	88	111	679	2,733	7,675	7,876	3,579	38,742
Bourke ... ..	765,068	1,617	9,116	11,841	13,424	45,081	99,464	117,324	51,353	415,848
Dalhousie ... ..	250,340	175	914	4,257	8,127	34,963	47,041	52,298	24,458	78,107
Dundas ... ..	444,135	94	358	724	1,230	4,820	11,592	14,331	19,459	391,527
Evelyn ... ..	90,007	38	268	896	2,124	10,650	11,823	15,736	6,950	41,522
Follett ... ..	34,964	...	58	35	...	...	371	1,583	1,989	30,928
Grant ... ..	793,062	476	3,659	10,419	17,794	63,928	79,733	67,248	40,201	509,604
Greenville ... ..	601,316	75	716	2,568	4,884	16,883	23,195	17,635	6,970	528,390
Hampden ... ..	812,629	9	326	566	1,105	4,117	10,773	22,190	13,587	759,956
Heytesbury ... ..	113,606	11	110	181	283	5,553	12,558	21,772	6,245	66,893
Mornington ... ..	239,737	94	549	1,019	1,500	7,812	25,832	34,786	22,021	146,124
Normanby ... ..	374,159	303	987	1,339	2,648	13,028	29,079	31,387	19,603	275,785
Polwarth ... ..	161,016	62	321	390	1,194	6,346	20,378	16,683	9,004	106,638
Ripon ... ..	735,234	175	623	1,869	2,928	14,902	25,768	37,173	23,158	628,638
Talbot ... ..	400,326	342	2,666	9,184	16,098	54,329	70,326	58,542	20,674	168,165
Villiers ... ..	726,631	446	2,225	3,244	4,652	11,310	39,097	39,253	19,342	607,062
Gippsland ... ..	280,620	150	624	1,565	3,425	9,966	19,081	21,255	12,656	211,798
The Loddon ... ..	371,339	327	1,872	5,833	8,574	27,495	42,362	41,425	22,231	221,220
The Murray ... ..	374,152	92	568	1,509	3,791	25,153	51,151	63,286	26,397	202,205
Rodney ... ..	133,338	...	43	481	588	4,605	10,035	8,841	6,826	101,919
The Wimmera ... ..	345,391	190	1,502	2,694	4,326	9,741	11,690	12,335	11,106	291,807
Total ... ..	8,108,465	4,688	27,593	60,725	99,374	373,415	649,024	702,959	367,809	5,822,878
Percentage ... ..	100'00	'06	'34	'75	1'23	4'60	8'00	8'67	4'54	71'81

LAND EMBRACED IN VARIOUS SIZED HOLDINGS.—DECENNIAL RETURN.

Year ending 31st March.	Total Extent Occupied.	Extent of Land contained in Holdings of—								
		1 acre to 5 acres.	5 to 15 acres.	15 to 30 acres.	30 to 50 acres.	50 to 100 acres.	100 to 200 acres.	200 to 350 acres.	350 to 500 acres.	500 acres and upwards.
1859	2,519,156½	2,251½	14,458¾	25,823	44,816½	153,150¼	284,047¼	298,681½	110,212½	1,585,715½
1860	3,015,607¼	3,008	16,558	30,032½	52,288½	173,979	317,518¾	318,485½	133,100	1,970,637
1861	3,517,033½	3,007¼	16,388½	29,232½	54,313¾	187,876¼	352,136¾	345,344¾	156,673¾	2,372,060
1862	4,090,784	3,421	17,175	34,012	58,400	201,524	392,036	377,172	155,113	2,851,931
1863	4,722,050¼	3,108	19,505½	39,868½	62,681½	222,066	453,416	380,037	173,931	3,367,437
1864	5,554,531	4,039½	21,375½	41,457	68,091	249,458	479,051	406,303	188,664	4,096,092
1865	6,125,204	3,906	21,219	41,182	69,918	248,597	511,517	431,565	195,750	4,601,550
1866	6,785,225	4,203	23,069	43,785	72,937	259,033	535,686	518,229	280,220	5,048,063
1867	7,373,279	4,012	24,592	54,751	82,537	315,106	586,114	615,784	336,319	5,354,064
1868	8,108,465	4,688	27,593	60,725	99,374	373,415	649,024	702,959	367,809	5,822,878

LAND CULTIVATED ON VARIOUS SIZED HOLDINGS IN EACH COUNTY.

RETURN showing the Extent of Land Cultivated on Holdings of various sizes in each County and Unsettled District during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Total.	Extent in Acres of Land Cultivated by Holders of—								
		1 acre to 5 acres.	5 to 15 acres.	15 to 30 acres.	30 to 50 acres.	50 to 100 acres.	100 to 200 acres.	200 to 350 acres.	350 to 500 acres.	500 acres and upwards.
Anglesey ... ..	5,011	9	39	32	195	517	1,652	1,045	350	1,172
Bourke ... ..	86,061	853	4,072	3,644	3,642	10,636	21,940	16,308	7,102	17,864
Dalhousie ... ..	52,200	99	369	1,507	2,533	8,669	14,719	12,483	3,774	8,047
Dundas ... ..	8,370	31	131	201	330	1,139	1,899	1,403	969	2,267
Evelyn ... ..	7,891	27	97	171	310	1,367	1,360	1,264	526	2,769
Follett ... ..	487	...	12	9	...	...	11	124	96	235
Grant ... ..	64,122	262	1,782	4,404	5,609	13,462	15,596	9,554	4,229	9,224
Greenville ... ..	25,070	61	399	1,156	1,799	5,800	7,073	4,884	853	3,045
Hampden ... ..	13,800	7	152	244	441	1,314	1,910	2,305	810	6,617
Heytesbury ... ..	7,775	10	43	95	103	735	1,283	1,051	250	4,205
Mornington ... ..	7,699	24	109	118	151	592	1,496	1,601	467	3,141
Normanby ... ..	15,180	205	384	584	584	2,844	4,185	3,143	1,000	2,451
Polwarth ... ..	10,243	27	70	98	176	821	1,604	642	364	6,441
Ripon ... ..	39,322	64	295	571	972	5,736	11,594	11,938	4,637	3,515
Talbot ... ..	116,134	265	1,699	4,635	7,349	25,200	35,557	24,364	5,779	11,286
Villiers ... ..	34,060	321	1,658	1,722	2,043	2,867	8,756	5,314	1,061	10,318
Gippsland ... ..	15,015	37	135	339	557	1,594	3,097	2,619	1,792	4,845
The Loddon ... ..	53,930	266	1,188	2,611	4,024	10,436	13,576	9,701	5,083	7,045
The Murray ... ..	48,404	46	286	630	1,401	7,956	13,796	12,278	3,945	8,066
Rodney ... ..	8,790	...	17	250	239	1,243	2,104	2,171	826	1,940
The Wimmera ... ..	11,643	130	711	1,068	1,165	2,093	1,937	1,598	694	2,247
<b>Total ... ..</b>	<b>631,207</b>	<b>2,744</b>	<b>13,648</b>	<b>23,889</b>	<b>33,623</b>	<b>105,021</b>	<b>165,145</b>	<b>125,790</b>	<b>44,607</b>	<b>116,740</b>
<b>Percentage ... ..</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>.43</b>	<b>2.16</b>	<b>3.78</b>	<b>5.33</b>	<b>16.64</b>	<b>26.16</b>	<b>19.93</b>	<b>7.07</b>	<b>18.50</b>

LAND CULTIVATED ON VARIOUS SIZED HOLDINGS.—DECENNIAL RETURN.

Year ending 31st March.	Total Extent Cultivated.	Extent of Land Cultivated on Holdings of—								
		1 acre to 5 acres.	5 to 15 acres.	15 to 30 acres.	30 to 50 acres.	50 to 100 acres.	100 to 200 acres.	200 to 350 acres.	350 to 500 acres.	500 acres and upwards.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1859	298,959 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,788 $\frac{1}{2}$	9,379 $\frac{3}{4}$	13,291 $\frac{3}{4}$	19,216 $\frac{1}{2}$	55,275 $\frac{1}{2}$	79,026 $\frac{1}{2}$	56,882 $\frac{1}{2}$	17,113 $\frac{1}{2}$	46,985 $\frac{1}{2}$
1860	358,727 $\frac{3}{4}$	2,181 $\frac{1}{2}$	10,566	15,869 $\frac{1}{2}$	24,153 $\frac{3}{4}$	69,117	96,060 $\frac{1}{2}$	67,963 $\frac{3}{4}$	21,598 $\frac{3}{4}$	51,217 $\frac{3}{4}$
1861	419,380 $\frac{1}{4}$	2,301 $\frac{1}{4}$	10,940 $\frac{3}{4}$	15,876 $\frac{1}{2}$	26,474 $\frac{3}{4}$	79,264	115,729 $\frac{1}{2}$	80,741 $\frac{3}{4}$	28,749 $\frac{1}{2}$	59,302 $\frac{1}{4}$
1862	439,895	2,253	10,858	17,382	27,770	83,413	124,930	87,282	24,754	61,253
1863	465,430	1,973 $\frac{1}{2}$	11,938 $\frac{3}{4}$	19,802 $\frac{3}{4}$	29,639 $\frac{3}{4}$	90,093 $\frac{1}{2}$	134,473 $\frac{1}{2}$	83,649 $\frac{3}{4}$	27,196 $\frac{1}{4}$	66,664
1864	507,798	2,828 $\frac{1}{2}$	12,279 $\frac{1}{2}$	20,537 $\frac{1}{4}$	30,872	97,884	147,375 $\frac{1}{2}$	91,021	32,541 $\frac{1}{2}$	72,458 $\frac{3}{4}$
1865	479,463	2,274	10,754	17,740	27,674	89,918	142,580	87,155	30,090	71,278
1866	530,196	2,692	12,297	20,463	29,026	92,714	152,970	101,521	33,476	85,037
1867	592,915	2,396	12,220	21,080	29,525	95,638	154,986	114,897	41,444	120,729
1868	631,207	2,744	13,648	23,889	33,623	105,021	165,145	125,790	44,607	116,740

AVERAGES AND PERCENTAGES OF OCCUPATION, CULTIVATION, ETC.—DECENNIAL RETURN.

Year ending 31st March.	Average Size of Holdings.	Average Size of Farms, &c	Average Area in Occupation to each Person in the Colony.	Percentage of Occupied Land Enclosed.	Average Area Cultivated by each Holder.	Number of Persons in the Colony to every 100 acres in Cultivation.	Percentage of Occupied Land Cultivated.
	acres.	acres.	acres.				
1859	218	95	4.9	68.4	25.8	161	11.87
1860	229	94	5.6	67.9	27.2	149	11.89
1861	258	103	6.5	70.9	30.7	129	11.92
1862	273	97	7.5	68.2	29.4	124	10.75
1863	288	96	8.6	71.0	28.4	118	9.86
1864	314	97	9.6	73.8	28.7	114	9.10
1865	334	97	10.4	82.0	26.1	123	7.80
1866	338	102	10.8	79.0	26.4	119	7.81
1867	325	104	11.5	88.3	21.7	109	8.04
1868	314	103	12.2	90.5	24.4	105	7.78

(a) The figures in this column denote the average size of lots larger than 5 acres and less than 500 acres in extent, which are found to be those usually devoted to farming pursuits.

LAND UNDER PRINCIPAL CROPS, AND PRODUCE RAISED, ON VARIOUS SIZED HOLDINGS.

RETURN showing the Relative Proportion of Land Cultivated with Wheat, Oats, other Cereals, Green Crops, Hay, and other Tillage, and of Produce Raised, on allotments classified according to size, in the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Size of Holdings.	Wheat.										Oats.										Cereals (exclusive of Wheat and Oats).															
	Average.			Produce.			Average.			Produce.			Average.			Produce.			Average.			Produce.			Average.			Produce.								
	Total under Crop.	Proportion per cent. in Cultivation.	Percentage of the Land in Cultivation.	Gross.	Average per Acre.	Percentage to the Total Raised.	Total under Crop.	Proportion per cent.	Percentage of the Land in Cultivation.	Gross.	Average per Acre.	Percentage to the Total Raised.	Total under Crop.	Proportion per cent.	Percentage of the Land in Cultivation.	Gross.	Average per Acre.	Percentage to the Total Raised.	Total under Crop.	Proportion per cent.	Percentage of the Land in Cultivation.	Gross.	Average per Acre.	Percentage to the Total Raised.	Total under Crop.	Proportion per cent.	Percentage of the Land in Cultivation.	Gross.	Average per Acre.	Percentage to the Total Raised.						
1 acre to 5 acres	444	20	16.18	7,918	17.83	.23	87	.07	3.17	1,718	19.75	.07	42	.19	1.53	903	21.50	.22	42	.19	1.53	903	21.50	.22	42	.19	1.53	903	21.50	.22						
5 "	2,725	1.25	19.97	46,954	17.23	1.38	1,064	.85	7.79	20,277	19.06	.87	243	1.13	1.78	4,572	18.81	1.13	243	1.13	1.78	4,572	18.81	1.13	243	1.13	1.78	4,572	18.81	1.13						
15 "	6,910	3.18	28.92	114,240	16.33	3.35	3,853	3.07	16.13	80,286	20.84	3.44	712	3.30	2.98	13,556	19.04	3.33	712	3.30	2.98	13,556	19.04	3.33	712	3.30	2.98	13,556	19.04	3.33						
30 "	11,717	5.40	34.85	193,552	16.52	5.67	5,938	4.74	17.66	120,585	20.31	5.17	949	4.39	2.82	17,984	18.96	4.42	949	4.39	2.82	17,984	18.96	4.42	949	4.39	2.82	17,984	18.96	4.42						
50 "	42,742	18.78	38.79	647,592	15.89	18.98	23,868	18.99	22.67	440,139	18.49	18.86	3,172	14.69	3.02	56,246	17.73	13.82	3,172	14.69	3.02	56,246	17.73	13.82	3,172	14.69	3.02	56,246	17.73	13.82						
100 "	64,647	20.80	39.15	1,003,527	15.52	29.41	37,095	29.60	22.46	662,344	17.86	22.35	5,480	20.66	3.55	82,873	18.57	20.37	5,480	20.66	3.55	82,873	18.57	20.37	5,480	20.66	3.55	82,873	18.57	20.37						
200 "	47,694	21.98	37.92	793,522	16.01	22.38	28,131	22.44	22.36	521,448	18.54	22.35	4,462	20.66	3.55	82,873	18.57	20.37	4,462	20.66	3.55	82,873	18.57	20.37	4,462	20.66	3.55	82,873	18.57	20.37						
350 "	16,615	7.66	37.25	250,378	15.07	7.34	9,086	7.24	20.37	168,891	18.59	7.24	2,082	9.64	4.67	39,541	18.99	9.72	2,082	9.64	4.67	39,541	18.99	9.72	2,082	9.64	4.67	39,541	18.99	9.72						
500 "	25,495	11.75	21.84	384,180	15.07	11.26	16,283	12.99	13.95	317,784	19.52	13.62	4,453	20.62	3.81	92,683	20.81	22.78	4,453	20.62	3.81	92,683	20.81	22.78	4,453	20.62	3.81	92,683	20.81	22.78						
Total	216,989	100.00	34.38	3,411,663	15.72	100.00	125,345	100.00	19.86	2,333,472	18.62	100.00	21,595	100.00	3.42	406,883	18.84	100.00	21,595	100.00	3.42	406,883	18.84	100.00	21,595	100.00	3.42	406,883	18.84	100.00						
Size of Holdings.	Green Crops.										Hay.										Other Tillage.															
	Average.			Produce.			Average.			Produce.			Average.			Produce.			Average.			Produce.			Average.			Produce.			Average.			Produce.		
	Total under Crop.	Proportion per cent. of the Land in Cultivation.	Percentage to the Total Raised.	Gross.	Average per Acre.	Percentage to the Total Raised.	Total under Crop.	Proportion per cent.	Percentage of the Land in Cultivation.	Gross.	Average per Acre.	Percentage to the Total Raised.	Total under Crop.	Proportion per cent.	Percentage of the Land in Cultivation.	Gross.	Average per Acre.	Percentage to the Total Raised.	Total under Crop.	Proportion per cent.	Percentage of the Land in Cultivation.	Gross.	Average per Acre.	Percentage to the Total Raised.	Total under Crop.	Proportion per cent.	Percentage of the Land in Cultivation.	Gross.	Average per Acre.	Percentage to the Total Raised.						
1 acre to 5 acres	407	1.08	14.83	1,512	3.72	1.06	464	.43	16.91	757	1.63	.54	1,300	1.07	47.38	3,261	7.97	1.07	1,300	1.07	47.38	3,261	7.97	1.07	1,300	1.07	47.38	3,261	7.97	1.07						
5 "	2,184	5.76	16.00	8,889	4.07	6.25	3,031	2.80	22.21	4,580	1.51	3.26	4,401	3.64	32.25	2,892	7.63	4.86	2,892	7.63	4.86	2,892	7.63	4.86	2,892	7.63	4.86	2,892	7.63	4.86						
15 "	3,261	8.60	9.70	11,177	3.43	7.86	7,034	6.49	20.92	9,336	1.33	6.64	4,724	3.90	14.05	3,261	8.60	9.70	3,261	8.60	9.70	3,261	8.60	9.70	3,261	8.60	9.70	3,261	8.60	9.70						
50 "	7,597	19.51	7.05	22,420	3.03	15.77	18,436	17.01	17.55	22,372	1.21	15.91	11,406	9.48	10.92	7,597	19.51	7.05	7,597	19.51	7.05	7,597	19.51	7.05	7,597	19.51	7.05	7,597	19.51	7.05						
100 "	8,893	23.22	5.33	34,664	2.42	24.39	28,275	26.09	17.12	34,764	1.23	24.72	20,845	17.23	12.62	8,893	23.22	5.33	8,893	23.22	5.33	8,893	23.22	5.33	8,893	23.22	5.33	8,893	23.22	5.33						
200 "	5,832	15.44	4.65	21,270	3.63	14.97	20,947	19.33	16.65	26,697	1.27	18.99	15,466	15.46	14.87	5,832	15.44	4.65	5,832	15.44	4.65	5,832	15.44	4.65	5,832	15.44	4.65	5,832	15.44	4.65						
350 "	2,036	5.37	4.56	6,889	3.38	4.85	7,578	6.99	16.99	9,925	1.31	7.06	7,210	5.96	16.16	2,036	5.37	4.56	2,036	5.37	4.56	2,036	5.37	4.56	2,036	5.37	4.56	2,036	5.37	4.56						
500 "	5,077	13.39	4.35	25,448	5.02	17.93	17,338	16.00	14.85	24,756	1.43	17.61	48,094	39.75	41.20	5,077	13.39	4.35	5,077	13.39	4.35	5,077	13.39	4.35	5,077	13.39	4.35	5,077	13.39	4.35						
Total	37,909	100.00	6.00	142,135	3.75	100.00	108,373	100.00	17.17	140,592	1.30	100.00	120,996	100.00	19.17	37,909	100.00	6.00	37,909	100.00	6.00	37,909	100.00	6.00	37,909	100.00	6.00	37,909	100.00	6.00						

## AGES OF VINES.

RETURN showing the Number of Vines of different Ages in each County and Unsettled District, and in the entire Colony, during the Year ending 31st March, 1853.

Counties and Districts.	Number and Ages of Vines.					
	Under 1 Year.	1 to 2 Years.	2 to 3 Years.	3 Years and upwards.	Unspecified.	Total.
Anglesey ...	1,900	400	...	4,800	...	7,100
Bourke ...	145,470	118,682	280,561	735,829	10,300	1,290,842
Dalhousie...	5,700	1,760	6,300	61,620	...	75,380
Dundas ...	29	1,690	2,886	9,354	2,442	16,401
Evelyn ...	126,800	150,550	193,350	662,000	...	1,132,700
Follett ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grant ...	240,620	290,630	244,264	1,892,988	66,200	2,734,702
Grenville ...	8,500	25,400	9,600	133,540	500	177,540
Hampden ...	7,411	4,551	1,597	1,626	...	15,185
Heytesbury ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mornington ...	3,600	3,350	3,750	62,376	...	73,076
Normanby ...	...	...	2,200	13,500	...	15,700
Polwarth ...	...	2,700	...	5,100	...	7,800
Ripon ...	8,600	7,130	9,800	40,810	...	66,340
Talbot ...	64,300	29,400	49,240	289,320	...	432,260
Villiers ...	2,400	16,150	6,550	24,510	...	49,610
Gippsland ...	4,700	11,200	16,050	8,800	...	40,750
The Loddon ...	69,050	55,975	51,640	651,274	...	827,939
The Murray ...	103,190	89,162	180,325	961,486	11,000	1,345,163
Rodney ...	9,000	77,700	9,400	38,370	...	134,470
The Wimmera ...	41,505	33,110	49,650	72,512	...	196,777
<b>Total</b> ...	<b>842,775</b>	<b>919,540</b>	<b>1,117,163</b>	<b>5,669,815</b>	<b>90,442</b>	<b>8,639,735</b>

## LEASES OF FARMS.

RETURN showing the Average Duration of Leases of Farms from Private Individuals, and the Average Rental per Acre, in each County and Unsettled District, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Leases of Farms from Private Individuals.	
	Average Duration.	Average Rental per Acre.
Anglesey ...	3 to 7 years	5s. to 10s.
Bourke East ...	Year to year	Pasture land, 5s. Arable land, 10s.
Bourke West ...	5 years	Ranging from 2s. 6d. to 30s. Average 10s.
Dalhousie...	4 years	6s. 8d.
Dundas ...	No regular system—1, 2, 3, 5, and 7 years	2s. to 10s.
Evelyn ...	Year to year	Good farms, 2s. 6d. to 5s. 6d.
Follett ...	...	...
Grant ...	3 to 5 years	Pasture land, 4s. Arable land, 12s.
Grenville ...	5 years	10s.
Hampden...	...	...
Heytesbury ...	5 years	6s. to 15s.
Mornington ...	3 years	2s. 3d.
Normanby ...	Year to year and 7 years	5s. to 7s. 6d.
Polwarth ...	2 to 5 years	Pasture land, 4s. Arable land, 12s.
Ripon ...	7 years. (Longer leases are sought after. To a known man 14 years would be granted.)	17s. 6d. (Established farms on cleared land let readily at 20s. per acre, one quarter to be under fallow each year. Farms with rough grazing land attached average 12s. to 15s.)
Talbot ...	7 years	10s.
Villiers ...	1 to 12 years	Tower Hill District, 35s. Other parts of Villiers, 6s. to 12s.
Gippsland North ...	1 to 5 years	Pasture land, 4s. to 5s. Arable land, 10s. to 20s.
Gippsland South ...	1 to 10 years	4s. to 6s.
The Loddon East ...	5 to 7 years	5s. to 15s.
The Loddon West ...	5 to 7 years	5s. to 20s.
The Murray East ...	5 years	10s.
The Murray West ...	3 years	Agricultural farms, 10s.
Rodney ...	3 to 5 years	Agricultural farms, 8s.
The Wimmera ...	5 years	Unimproved lands, 2s. 6d. Improved arable lands, 10s. (There are but few of the latter in the district.)
<b>Lowest and Highest numbers</b> ...	<b>1 year ; 14 years</b>	<b>2s. ; 35s.</b>

NOTE.—The material for this return was supplied by the Collectors of Agricultural Statistics.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.



PRICE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE.

RETURN showing the Prices of Agricultural Produce in each County and Unsettled District in the Months of February and March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Average Price of—							
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.	Hay.	Potatoes.	Turnips.	Mangel-wurzel.
Anglesey ...	per bushel. 5s.	per bushel. 3s. 6d.	per bushel. ...	per bushel. ...	per ton. ...	per ton. £6	per ton. ...	per ton. ...
Bourke East ...	8s.	4s.	3s. to 5s.	...	£3 to £4	£3	...	£1 10s.
Bourke West ...	5s. 10d. to 8s. 9d.	3s. 2d. to 4s. 11d.	5s.	...	£2 to £3 5s.	£2 5s to £3	...	£2
Dalhousie ...	8s.	4s.	5s. 3d.	...	£4 10s.	£4	...	...
Dundas ...	7s. 6d.	3s. to 3s. 6d.	4s.	...	£2 15s.	£3	...	...
Evelyn ...	6s. 6d.	3s. 9d.	...	...	£3 10s.	£2 15s. to £3	...	...
Follett ...	7s. 6d.	3s. to 3s. 6d.	4s.	...	£2 15s.	£3	...	...
Grant ...	8s.	4s.	4s.	3s. 9d.	£3 to £3 15s.	£4 to £4 10s.	£2	£1 5s.
Grenville ...	8s. to 9s.	4s. 6d. to 5s.	4s. to 4s. 6d.	3s. 8d. to 4s.	£4	£4	£2 10s.	...
Hampden ...	7s.	4s. 6d.	4s.	...	£3 10s.	£3 10s.	...	...
Heytesbury ...	5s. 3d.	3s.	4s.	...	£2	£1 10s.	10s.	10s.
Mornington ...	7s. 9d.	4s. 6d.	...	...	£4 10s.	£3 10s.	...	...
Normanby ...	7s. 6d. to 8s.	3s. 6d. to 4s.	3s. 6d. to 3s. 9d.	...	£3 to £4 10s.	£2 15s. to £3 10s.	...	...
Polwarth ...	8s.	4s.	4s.	...	£3	£4	...	...
Ripon ...	6s. 6d. to 8s.	4s. to 5s.	5s.	...	£3 to £5 10s.	£3 10s.	...	£2
Talbot ...	5s. 9d. to 7s. 10d.	3s. 6d. to 4s.	5s.	...	£3 10s. to £4	£3 to £3 10s.	...	£1 10 to £2
Villiers ...	7s. 6d.	3s. 3d.	3s. to 5s.	...	£3	£1 15s.	...	...
Gippsland North ...	6s. 3d. to 7s. 3d.	3s. 6d. to 4s. 3d.	2s. 9d. to 4s. 6d.	3s. 9d.	£3 15s.	£2 15s.	...	...
Gippsland South ...	6s. 6d.	3s. 9d.	4s.	...	£3 15s.	£2 15s.	...	...
The Loddon East ...	8s. to 8s. 6d.	4s. 3d. to 4s. 6d.	3s. 9d. to 5s. 6d.	5s. 2d.	£3 10s. to £4	£5 10s. to £6	...	...
The Loddon West ...	8s. to 8s. 6d.	4s. to 4s. 6d.	3s. 6d. to 5s. 6d.	5s.	£3 15s. to £4 5s.	£6	...	...
The Murray East ...	6s. 6d.	3s. 6d.	5s.	4s. 6d.	£3	£10	...	...
The Murray West ...	5s.	3s. 3d.	4s.	3s.	£4 10s.	£8	...	...
Rodney ...	7s.	4s. 6d.	5s. 6d.	...	£4 10s.	£8	...	...
The Wimmera ...	7s. 6d.	5s.	5s.	...	£5	£5	£3	£3 to £4
Average of Victoria	7s. 3d.	3s. 11d.	4s. 4d.	4s. 1d.	£3 12s. 6d.	£4 2s.	£2	£1 19s. 5d.

NOTE.—The material for this table was supplied by the Collectors of Agricultural Statistics, who were instructed to make a return of the average prices paid on the ground, or at the nearest market, at or about the time of their visiting the holdings in the various districts.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

WEIGHT OF CROPS.

RETURN showing the Average Weight per Bushel of the Principal Cereal Crops raised in each County and Unsettled District during the Season 1867-8.

Counties and Districts.	Average Weight per Bushel of—			
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.
Anglesey ...	60 lbs.	38 lbs.	50 lbs.	...
Bourke East ...	45 lbs. to 60 lbs.	40 lbs. to 46 lbs.	48 lbs. to 50 lbs.	...
Bourke West ...	61 lbs. (a)	41 lbs.	50 lbs.	...
Dalhousie ...	61 lbs.	41 lbs.	52 lbs.	...
Dundas ...	50 lbs.	35 lbs.	45 lbs.	...
Evelyn ...	55 lbs.	38 lbs. to 40 lbs.	46 lbs.	...
Follett ...	50 lbs.	35 lbs.	45 lbs.	...
Grant ...	60 lbs.	42 lbs.	50 lbs.	...
Grenville ...	60 lbs.	40 lbs.	50 lbs.	50 lbs.
Hampden ...	60 lbs.	40 lbs.	50 lbs.	...
Heytesbury ...	60 lbs.	40 lbs.	50 lbs.	...
Mornington ...	60 lbs.	43 lbs.	...	...
Normanby ...	45 lbs. to 50 lbs.	35 lbs.	56 lbs.	...
Polwarth ...	56 lbs. to 62 lbs.	38 lbs.	38 lbs.	...
Ripon ...	63 lbs.	44 lbs.	53 lbs.	...
Talbot ...	59 lbs.	38 lbs.	48 lbs.	...
Villiers ...	62 lbs.	44 lbs.	53 lbs.	...
Gippsland North ...	61 lbs.	43 lbs.	53 lbs.	54 lbs.
Gippsland South ...	58 lbs.	40 lbs.	50 lbs.	52 lbs.
The Loddon East ...	60 lbs. to 62 lbs.	40 lbs. to 44 lbs.	60 lbs.	58 lbs.
The Loddon West ...	60 lbs. to 64 lbs.	40 lbs. to 45 lbs.	60 lbs. to 62 lbs.	56 lbs. to 58 lbs.
The Murray East ...	60 lbs.	40 lbs.	52 lbs.	60 lbs.
The Murray West ...	60 lbs.	40 lbs.	52 lbs.	50 lbs.
Rodney ...	60 lbs.	40 lbs.	50 lbs.	...
The Wimmera ...	61 lbs.	38 lbs.	51 lbs.	...
Average of Victoria	58 lbs.	40 lbs.	51 lbs.	55 lbs.

NOTE.—The material for this table was supplied by the Collectors of Agricultural Statistics. (a) Prize wheat at Lancefield—Tascan, 70 lbs.; Purple Straw, 65 lbs.; White Lummas, 64 lbs.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**HANDS EMPLOYED ON FARMS AND STATIONS.**

RETURN showing the Number of Persons of both Sexes employed upon Farms, and the Number upon Stations, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Description of Holdings.	Number of Hands Employed.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.
Holdings unconnected with Stations ...	37,551	15,503	53,054
Stations ...	7,740	2,462	10,202
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>45,291</b>	<b>17,965</b>	<b>63,256</b>

NOTE.—In this return the proprietor or manager of the farm or station is included with the hands employed.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**HANDS EMPLOYED ON FARMS.**

RETURN showing the Number of Persons of both Sexes employed on Farms in each County and Unsettled District, and in the entire Colony, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Number of Hands Employed.			Counties and Districts.	Number of Hands Employed.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Total.
Anglesey ...	302	195	497	Polwarth ...	642	228	870
Bourke ...	6,525	1,871	8,396	Ripon ...	1,493	797	2,290
Dalhousie ...	2,731	1,628	4,359	Talbot ...	4,470	1,993	6,463
Dundas ...	705	398	1,103	Villiers ...	2,167	776	2,943
Evelyn ...	913	423	1,336	Gippsland ...	719	75	794
Follett ...	41	25	66	The Loddon ...	2,852	1,074	3,926
Grant ...	5,429	2,062	7,491	The Murray ...	2,201	970	3,171
Grenville ...	1,395	682	2,077	Rodney ...	474	244	718
Hampden ...	719	479	1,198	The Wimmera ...	1,084	292	1,376
Heytesbury ...	531	38	569	<b>Total ...</b>	<b>37,551</b>	<b>15,503</b>	<b>53,054</b>
Mornington ...	1,032	641	1,673				
Normanby ...	1,126	612	1,738				

NOTE.—In this return the proprietor or manager of the farm is included.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**HANDS EMPLOYED ON FARMS OF VARIOUS SIZES, ETC.**

RETURN showing the Number and Area of Farm Holdings of various sizes, and the Number of Persons of both Sexes employed thereon, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868, together with Percentages, Averages, &c.

Size of Farm Holdings.	Farm Holdings of each class.		Persons employed on Farms.						Number of Persons employed to a Farm.			Number of Acres to a Person employed.		
	No.	Area in Acres.	Number.			Proportion per cent.			Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Either Sex.
			Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.						
1 acre to 5 acres	1,590	4,688	897	367	1,264	2'39	2'37	2'38	'56	'23	'79	5'23	12'77	3'71
5 " 15 "	3,199	27,580	2,346	1,008	3,354	6'25	6'50	6'32	'73	'32	1'05	11'76	27'36	8'22
15 " 30 "	2,962	60,707	2,731	1,297	4,028	7'27	8'37	7'59	'92	'44	1'36	22'23	46'81	15'07
30 " 50 "	2,602	99,344	2,922	1,349	4,271	7'78	8'70	8'05	1'12	'52	1'64	34'00	73'64	23'26
50 " 100 "	5,142	372,916	7,025	3,020	10,045	18'71	19'48	18'93	1'36	'59	1'95	53'08	123'48	37'12
100 " 200 "	4,643	646,934	8,399	3,515	11,914	22'37	22'67	22'46	1'81	'76	2'57	77'03	184'05	54'30
200 " 350 "	2,616	687,808	5,916	2,355	8,271	15'75	15'19	15'59	2'26	'90	3'16	116'26	292'06	83'16
350 " 500 "	891	364,794	2,219	888	3,107	5'91	5'73	5'86	2'49	1'00	3'49	164'40	410'80	117'41
500 " and upwards	1,606	2,479,546	5,096	1,704	6,800	13'57	10'99	12'82	3'17	1'06	4'23	486'57	1,455'13	364'64
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>25,251</b>	<b>4,744,317</b>	<b>37,551</b>	<b>15,503</b>	<b>53,054</b>	<b>100'00</b>	<b>100'00</b>	<b>100'00</b>	<b>1'49</b>	<b>'61</b>	<b>2'10</b>	<b>126'34</b>	<b>306'05</b>	<b>89'42</b>

NOTE.—In this table the proprietor or manager of the farm is included with the hands employed.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**HANDS EMPLOYED ON STATIONS.**

RETURN showing the Number of Persons of both Sexes employed on Squatting Stations on each Crown Lands Commissioner's District, and in the entire Colony, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Pastoral Districts.	Number of Hands Employed.			Pastoral Districts.	Number of Hands Employed.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Total.
Ararat ...	369	119	488	Melbourne ...	169	64	233
Ballarat ...	118	69	187	Omeo ...	90	34	124
Beechworth ...	429	123	552	Portland ...	456	150	606
Benalla ...	759	207	966	Settled Districts ...	173	62	235
Castlemaine ...	557	213	770	Swan Hill ...	186	21	207
Echuca ...	605	189	794	Warrnambool ...	333	195	528
Gippsland North ...	215	52	267	Wimmera East ...	778	225	1,003
Gippsland South ...	243	91	334	Wimmera West and Hamilton	1,227	441	1,668
Gisborne ...	325	124	449	<b>Total ...</b>	<b>7,740</b>	<b>2,462</b>	<b>10,202</b>
Grant ...	208	83	291				

NOTE.—In this return the proprietor or manager of the station is included.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

RATES OF LABOR ON FARMS.

RETURN showing the Average Rates of Wages paid upon Farms in February and March, 1868, or at the latest period prior to that date at which the different descriptions of labor were employed.

Counties and Districts.	Rates of Labor, with Rations, paid to—							Threshers. per bushel. a
	Ploughmen.	Farm Laborers.	Married Couples.	Females.	Mowers.	Reapers.	per acre.	
Anglesey	per week. 15s.	per week. 12s.	per week. 25s.	per week. 11s. 6d.	per week. 15s.	per week. 30s.	per acre. 13s.	per bushel. a 6d.
Bourke East	20s.	15s.	20s.	10s.	30s.	25s.	15s.	6d.
Bourke West	20s.	10s.	...	12s.	...	35s.	10s. b	...
Dalhousie	20s.	15s.	20s.	9s.	28s.	30s.	14s.	6d.
Dundas	20s.	15s.	20s.	10s.	25s.	30s.	15s.	...
Evelyn ...	15s. to 20s.	15s.	25s.	10s. to 12s.	25s.	25s.	12s.	...
Follett ...	20s.	15s.	20s.	10s.	7s.	30s.	15s.	...
Grant ...	15s. to 20s.	15s.	20s.	8s. to 10s.	4s.	30s.	12s.	4d.
Grenville	20s.	15s. to 20s.	20s. to 25s.	10s. to 12s.	5s.	25s. to 30s.	10s. to 12s.	...
Hampden	15s.	15s.	25s.	10s.	4s.	50s.	14s.	...
Heytesbury	20s.	20s.	25s.	10s.	3s. to 4s.	30s.	15s.	...
Mornington	15s.	12s. to 15s.	20s.	10s.	3s. 6d.	30s.	10s.	6d.
Normanby	30s.	15s.	25s.	10s. to 12s. 6d.	5s.	30s.	5s.	6d. to 7d.
Polwarth	20s.	15s.	20s.	9s.	4s. to 4s. 6d.	25s.	12s. to 18s.	...
Ripon ...	20s.	12s. 6d. to 20s.	...	8s. to 12s.	3s. 6d. to 4s.	30s.	17s.	5d.
Talbot ...	15s. to 20s.	10s. to 20s.	...	6s. to 10s.	2s. to 3s.	25s. to 30s.	12s. to 20s.	4d.
Villiers ...	18s.	15s.	25s.	8s.	5s.	30s.	15s.	...
Gippsland North...	16s. to 25s.	15s. to 22s.	30s.	10s. to 12s.	3s. 6d. to 4s. 6d.	20s. to 25s.	15s. to 20s.	6d.
Gippsland South	20s.	15s.	30s.	10s. to 12s.	3s. 6d. to 4s.	20s. to 25s.	15s. to 20s.	6d.
The Loddon East	20s. to 25s.	15s.	25s.	8s. to 10s.	5s. to 6s.	20s. to 25s.	16s.	6d. to 7d.
The Loddon West	20s. to 25s.	15s.	20s. to 25s.	6s. to 8s.	5s.	25s. to 30s.	15s.	6d.
The Murray East	20s.	15s.	25s.	10s. to 12s.	2s. 6d.	30s.	15s.	...
The Murray West	18s.	15s.	16s.	8s.	3s. 6d.	25s.	12s. 6d.	...
Rodnacy	20s.	15s.	20s.	10s.	5s.	30s.	18s. 6d.	3d.
The Wimmera ...	20s. to 25s.	20s. to 25s.	30s.	10s. to 12s.	4s. to 5s.	25s. to 35s.	10s. to 20s.	5d.
Average of Victoria ...	19s. 6d.	16s.	25s.	10s.	4s. 1d.	28s.	14s. 6d.	6d.

NOTE.—The material for this return was supplied by the Collectors of Agricultural Statistics. The Collectors return 20s. as the price per 100 bushels so threshed in West Bourke; 3d. per bushel in Dundas, Follett, Hampden, Polwarth, and East Murray; and from 3d. to 4d. per bushel in Heytesbury.

(b) Six shillings per acre is returned as the price of reaping by machine in West Bourke.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

## RATES OF LABOR ON STATIONS.

RETURN showing the Average Rates of Wages paid upon Squatting Stations in February and March, 1868, or at the latest period prior to that date at which the different descriptions of labor were employed.

Counties and Districts.	Rates of Labor, with Rations, paid to—							
	Stockmen.	Shepherds.	Hutkeepers.	Married Couples.	Females.	Station Laborers.	Sheep-washers.	Shearers.
	per annum.	per annum.	per annum.	per annum.	per annum.	per week.	per week.	per 100 sheep shorn.
Anglesey ...	£40	£25	£20	£45	£30	20s.	20s.	15s.
Bourke East ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bourke West ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14s.
Dalhousie ...	£60	£40	£30	£45	£25	20s.	30s.	20s.
Dundas ...	£50	£30 to £40	...	£50 to £60	£25 to £40	13s. to 15s.	15s.	14s.
Evelyn ...	£40	£30	£26	£70	£30	17s. 6d.	...	...
Follett ...	£50	£30 to £40	...	£50 to £60	£25 to £40	13s. to 15s.	15s.	14s.
Grant ...	£45	£40	£30 to £35	£50 to £65	£22 to £30	15s. to 16s.	17s. 6d. to 20s.	14s.
Grenville ...	£45 to £50	£30 to £40	£30 to £35	£55 to £60	£25 to £35	12s. to 15s.	20s. to 25s.	14s. to 15s.
Hampden ...	£40	£40	£36	£50	£30	15s.	15s.	14s.
Heytesbury ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mornington ...	£30	£26 to £30	£26	£40 to £50	£26 to £30	15s.	...	...
Normanby ...	£50 to £60	£40 to £45	£30 to £35	£70 to £80	£25 to £30	25s. to 30s.	30s.	14s.
Polwarth ...	£40	£40	£40	£50	£22 to £30	15s.	15s. to 16s.	15s. 6d.
Ripon ...	£45 to £50	£40	£25 to £30	£50	£30	15s.	15s.	13s. to 14s. 6d.
Talbot ...	£75 to £100	£20 to £30	£18 to £25	£40 to £60	£20 to £30	12s. to 20s.	25s.	12s. to 15s.
Villiers ...	£50	£30	£20	£60	£20	15s.	15s.	12s.
Gippsland North ...	£30 to £48	£32 to £40	£25 to £35	£50 to £65	£20 to £30	15s. to 20s.	20s. to 32s.	15s.
Gippsland South ...	£30 to £48	£32 to £40	£25 to £35	£50 to £65	£20 to £28	15s. to 20s.	...	15s.
The Loddon East ...	£50	£30 to £40	£30	£70	£25 to £30	30s.	25s.	15s.
The Loddon West ...	£40 to £50	£30 to £40	£25 to £30	£60 to £70	£25 to £35	30s.	25s.	14s.
The Murray East ...	£40	£35	£20	£50	£30	15s.	25s.	15s.
The Murray West ...	£45	£35	£25	£45	£20	15s.	20s.	13s.
Rodney ...	£40	£40	£35	£70 to £80	£35	15s.	20s.	14s.
The Wimmera ...	£35 to £40	£30 to £35	£25	£50 to £60	£30 to £35	12s. to 15s.	15s. to 20s.	12s. to 14s.
Average of Victoria	£47	£34 14s.	£28 12s.	£57 3s. 6d.	£28 2s.	17s. 3d.	20s. 8d.	14s. 3d.

NOTE.—The material for this table was supplied by the Collectors of Agricultural Statistics.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

## LIVE STOCK ON FARMS AND STATIONS.

RETURN showing the Number of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, and Pigs upon Farms, and the Number upon Stations, on the 31st March, 1868.

Description of Land.	Description of Live Stock.						
	Horses.	Cattle.			Sheep.	Pigs.	Total.
		Milch Cows.	Exclusive of Milch Cows.	Total.			
Farms and land unconnected with Stations ...	103,501	157,246	284,370	441,616	2,020,088	134,703	2,699,908
Crown and alienated land connected with Stations	27,647	17,858	191,118	208,976	7,512,723	6,819	7,756,165
Total ...	131,148	175,104	475,488	650,592	9,532,811	141,522	10,456,073

NOTE.—The return of sheep represents nearly the whole number in the colony, but the returns of horses, cattle, and pigs are less complete, inasmuch as many of the Collectors of Statistics were unable to form estimates of the numbers kept in towns and upon goldfields in their respective districts, nor of the horses and working bullocks used by carriers upon the roads.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**LIVE STOCK ON LAND UNCONNECTED WITH STATIONS.**

RETURN showing the Number of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, and Pigs, kept upon Land unconnected with Stations, in each County and Unsettled District, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Description of Live Stock.						
	Horses.	Cattle.			Sheep.	Pigs.	Total.
		Milch Cows.	Exclusive of Milch Cows.	Total.			
Anglesey ... ..	894	929	2,602	3,531	2,672	1,110	8,207
Bourke ... ..	15,997	38,825	37,528	76,353	343,561	21,575	457,486
Dalhousie ... ..	7,149	12,750	17,046	29,796	20,654	8,178	65,777
Dundas ... ..	2,132	1,384	4,101	5,485	135,305	2,450	145,372
Evelyn ... ..	2,634	4,015	7,743	11,758	4,956	1,466	20,814
Follett ... ..	218	82	496	578	5,082	92	5,970
Grant ... ..	8,949	19,090	27,867	46,957	278,592	17,237	351,735
Grenville ... ..	3,989	7,803	13,861	21,664	151,554	4,942	182,149
Hampden ... ..	2,439	4,175	11,313	15,488	53,890	3,028	74,845
Heytesbury ... ..	1,530	1,892	10,021	11,913	8,426	1,875	23,744
Mornington ... ..	6,134	6,744	12,032	18,776	22,392	2,783	50,085
Normanby ... ..	4,249	3,640	15,140	18,780	140,375	4,042	167,446
Polwarth ... ..	2,338	2,295	16,734	19,029	76,836	1,602	99,805
Ripon ... ..	3,547	4,688	8,197	12,885	111,669	4,239	132,340
Talbot ... ..	10,751	15,022	17,027	32,049	73,069	16,382	132,251
Villiers ... ..	7,372	6,714	23,308	30,022	349,864	12,679	399,937
Gippsland ... ..	4,346	3,624	15,982	19,606	21,234	5,572	50,758
The Loddon ... ..	7,163	9,256	20,158	29,414	95,505	12,206	144,288
The Murray ... ..	7,590	9,666	14,085	23,751	47,996	7,107	86,444
Rodney ... ..	1,380	1,258	4,029	5,287	10,861	2,178	19,706
The Wimmera ... ..	2,700	3,394	5,100	8,494	65,595	3,960	80,749
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>103,501</b>	<b>157,246</b>	<b>284,370</b>	<b>441,616</b>	<b>2,020,088</b>	<b>134,703</b>	<b>2,699,908</b>

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**LIVE STOCK ON STATIONS.**

RETURN showing the Number of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, and Pigs, kept upon Squatting Stations, in each Crown Lands Commissioner's District, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Pastoral Districts.	Live Stock.						
	Horses.	Cattle.			Sheep.	Pigs.	Total.
		Milch Cows.	Exclusive of Milch Cows.	Total.			
Ararat ... ..	718	387	2,346	2,733	375,488	182	379,121
Ballarat ... ..	438	305	1,242	1,547	157,285	108	159,378
Beechworth ... ..	4,334	2,802	33,257	36,059	179,252	1,469	221,114
Benalla ... ..	2,890	2,025	16,650	18,675	878,199	483	900,247
Castlemaine ... ..	764	547	3,362	3,909	496,561	233	501,467
Echuca ... ..	1,302	546	17,749	18,295	495,140	209	514,946
Gippsland North ... ..	1,665	1,330	16,397	17,727	90,555	887	110,834
Gippsland South ... ..	1,266	791	26,404	27,195	24,763	593	53,817
Gisborne ... ..	754	624	2,067	2,691	268,902	294	272,641
Grant ... ..	635	379	3,338	3,717	191,066	194	195,612
Melbourne ... ..	1,272	838	3,583	4,421	39,413	259	45,365
Omeo ... ..	644	1,199	10,809	12,008	47,753	201	60,606
Portland ... ..	1,097	803	6,846	7,649	608,211	305	617,262
Settled Districts ... ..	1,702	1,028	5,978	7,006	25,022	471	34,201
Swan Hill ... ..	997	362	5,940	6,302	246,498	32	253,829
Warrnambool ... ..	2,557	1,848	24,627	26,475	807,030	326	836,388
Wimmera East ... ..	1,189	476	2,779	3,255	705,297	201	709,942
Wimmera West and Hamilton ... ..	3,423	1,568	7,744	9,312	1,876,288	372	1,889,395
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>27,647</b>	<b>17,858</b>	<b>191,118</b>	<b>208,976</b>	<b>7,512,723</b>	<b>6,819</b>	<b>7,756,165</b>

NOTE.—This return contains a statement of all the live stock kept upon stations, without distinction as to the numbers running upon Crown or those upon alienated land. It has been compiled for the most part from statements voluntarily furnished by the squatters in reply to enquiries from the Registrar-General's department. In cases where the enquiries were not responded to, the figures have been supplied from other sources.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**LIVE STOCK.—DECENNIAL RETURN.**

Year.	Number of Live Stock.						Year.	Number of Live Stock.							
	Horses.	Cattle.			Sheep.	Pigs.		Total.	Horses.	Cattle.			Sheep.	Pigs.	Total.
		Milch Cows.	Exclusive of Milch Cows.	Total.						Milch Cows.	Exclusive of Milch Cows.	Total.			
1858	68,321	..	..	609,330	5,578,413	37,756	6,383,822	1863	103,328	126,786	548,486	675,272	7,115,943	79,655	7,974,198
1859	69,288	58,514*	..	683,534	5,794,127	50,965	6,597,914	1864	117,182	152,257	488,368	640,625	8,406,234	113,530	9,277,571
1860	76,536	66,590*	..	724,332	5,780,806	61,259	6,641,023	1865	121,051	141,935	479,402	621,377	8,835,380	75,860	9,653,637
1861	84,057	73,782*	..	628,092	6,239,258	43,480	6,994,887	1866	121,381	140,414	458,534	598,968	8,833,139	74,708	9,628,196
1862	86,067	116,138	460,463	576,601	6,764,831	52,991	7,480,510	1867	131,148	175,104	475,488	650,592	9,532,811	141,522	10,456,733

NOTE.—The returns of milch cows for the three years marked with asterisks refer only to those on alienated land. The milch cows kept on stations were not returned separately from the other stock until 1862; consequently, until then, the total quantity of milch cows could not be ascertained. The pigs kept on stations, except those with purchased land attached, were not returned until 1862.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

LIVE STOCK SLAUGHTERED.

RETURN of the Number of Live Stock Slaughtered for Sale, for Tallow and Lard, and for Private Use, in the Colony of Victoria, during the Year 1867.

Districts.	Cattle.				Sheep.				Pigs.			
	For Sale.	For Tallow and Lard.	For Private Use.	Total.	For Sale.	For Tallow and Lard.	For Private Use.	Total.	For Sale.	For Tallow and Lard.	For Private Use.	Total.
Ararat ...	1,175	...	344	1,519	20,281	...	11,502	31,783	261	...	143	404
Avoca ...	1,863	...	622	2,485	13,148	...	14,093	27,241	234	...	330	587
Ballarat ...	19,240	10	495	19,745	73,860	3,700	2,282	79,842	1,946	14	1,001	2,961
Belfast ...	2,344	...	2,322	4,866	12,092	...	20,765	32,857	352	...	237	491
Benalla ...	1,975	...	1,264	3,239	7,041	...	7,424	14,465	254	...	278	6,358
Bourke ...	10,295	4	298	10,597	70,812	...	959	71,471	2,241	3,839	...	772
Brunswick (Municipality of)	8,339	...	...	8,339	77,466	...	...	77,466	772	...	...	2,652
Castlemaine ...	5,266	65	273	5,604	28,122	...	1,240	29,362	1,976	150	526	1,750
Geelong (Municipality of)	2,989	...	...	2,989	31,750	...	...	31,750	900	850	...	685
Geelong (exclusive of Municipality)	4,037	...	462	4,499	27,324	...	8,174	47,392	248	...	...	933
Gippsland	4,770	...	1,467	6,237	9,138	...	768	9,906	448	...	...	1,801
Heathcote (Municipality of)	750	...	...	750	8,425	...	...	8,425	117	...	8	125
Kilmore ...	1,606	...	751	2,357	7,464	...	3,656	11,120	434	23	451	908
Kyneton ...	5,204	...	344	5,548	21,499	...	2,229	23,728	887	...	162	1,049
Lexton (Shire of)	559	...	64	623	4,089	...	672	4,761	111	5	...	121
Maldon (Shire of)	1,685	65	101	1,751	4,190	...	716	4,906	191	39	101	331
Maryborough ...	5,379	...	190	5,769	34,603	...	3,383	37,986	1,009	...	71	1,140
Melbourne (City of)	9,600	200	...	9,800	92,637	2,000	...	94,637	2,356	...	...	2,356
Melbourne (exclusive of City)	9,681	...	...	9,681	78,626	5,107	...	83,733	3,618	...	...	3,618
Mortlake (Shire of)	302	...	...	302	391	...	...	391	25	...	...	25
McIvor (Shire, part of)	280	...	...	280	780	...	...	780	11	...	...	11
McIvor (remainder of District)	1,813	...	1,000	2,813	9,527	...	7,227	16,754	374	...	223	597
Ovens ...	6,357	...	186	6,543	17,030	...	10	17,040	995	6	67	1,068
Portland (Municipality of)	392	...	...	392	3,401	...	200	3,601	39	...	100	139
Portland (exclusive of Municipality)	569	...	1,652	2,221	8,179	...	3,294	40,573	157	39	457	653
Sandhurst (Municipality of)	4,026	...	...	4,026	30,000	...	250	32,550	2,388	...	...	2,388
Sandhurst (exclusive of Municipality)	4,601	14	109	4,724	15,057	...	1,445	16,502	503	12	115	690
Stawell (Shire of)	856	...	1	857	6,200	...	1,458	7,658	259	...	...	259
Strathfieldsaye (Shire of)	3,403	...	...	3,403	7,500	...	...	7,500	92	...	...	92
Swan Hill	1,02	...	490	592	1,235	...	4,289	5,524	21	...	16	37
Upper Goulburn...	2,826	...	191	3,017	7,796	...	996	8,792	184	...	104	288
Warrnambool (Municipality of)	780	...	1	781	6,820	...	...	6,820	241	120	...	361
Wimmera ...	973	...	132	1,105	12,409	...	25,833	38,242	412	20	68	500
Woodford ...	233	...	320	553	490	...	500	2,049	30	120	20	170
Total	124,570	158	13,079	138,007	749,282	2,580	152,525	927,607	24,914	5,310	6,585	36,809

NOTE.—This table gives an account of all the stock slaughtered in the colony, so far as returns thereof are furnished to the Chief Commissioner of Police and the Registrar-General. Notwithstanding that pains are taken to make the statement as complete as possible, there is reason to fear that, in some localities, stock is slaughtered for private use without any official record being kept of the numbers.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY ON FARMS.—NUMBER OF IMPLEMENTS.

RETURN showing the Number and Description of Agricultural Implements and Machines in operation upon Farms in each County and Unsettled District, and in the entire Colony, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Names of Implements.	Total.	Counties and Districts.																				
		Anglesey.	Bourke.	Dalhousie.	Dumfries.	Evelyn.	Follett.	Grant.	Grenville.	Hampden.	Heytesbury.	Mornington.	Normanby.	Polwarth.	Ripon.	Talbot.	Villiers.	Gipps-land.	The Lofton.	The Murray.	Rodney.	The Wimmera.
Steam-Engines { Horse-power	175	4	20	29	...	...	7	...	...	2	...	...	1	13	54	6	1	21	16	...	...	1
Engines { Horse-power	1,357	32	164	215	...	...	46	...	...	16	...	...	10	116	440	42	8	148	116	...	...	4
Bone Mills	2	207	1,643	357	445	30	1	1,025	412	253	753	827	307	888	2,579	1,176	672	2,566	1,361	2	344	652
Chaff Cutters	24,578	36	1,135	386	22	106	677	257	48	16	85	79	...	242	853	195	111	421	322	69	108	...
Cheese Presses	5,169	36	16	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cider Presses	27	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clod Crushers	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Corn Crushers	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Corn Crushers	104	...	47	...	...	...	7	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	5	...	20	6	...	...	1
Corn Screens	6	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Corn Shellers	1	...	11	9	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cultivators	37	...	3	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dips	3	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grape Mills	11	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grubbers	36	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Harrows	16,109	123	2,741	1,040	222	328	2,256	598	264	165	396	523	171	616	2,107	1,070	358	1,387	1,152	213	369	
Hay Elevators	76	...	26	8	...	...	2	...	2	...	1	1	...	11	19	1	2	2	1	...	...	...
Hay Presses	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hay Rakes (Horse)	344	...	192	...	...	...	12	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	3	2	42	1	...	...	...
Horse Hoes	131	...	86	3	...	...	14	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	6	...	...	...	...
Horse Works	1,390	1	127	91	...	...	130	41	4	3	21	20	...	...	357	78	16	148	153	24	42	...
Irrigation Works	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mowing Machines	230	1	80	1	...	...	21	20	4	...	2	1	...	...	32	4	3	2	14	1	4	...
Ploughs	19,390	134	3,284	1,400	282	299	2,730	727	331	179	493	609	203	845	2,743	1,050	496	1,541	1,363	239	398	
Potato Planters	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Reaping Machines	2,638	12	310	323	5	6	127	92	19	1	3	11	4	243	840	15	47	252	259	49	20	
Rollers	3,988	16	949	194	20	69	495	220	25	16	85	57	22	203	495	139	37	666	104	81	95	
Root Cutters	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Root Pulpers	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Root Washers	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarifiers	379	...	172	3	...	...	56	7	...	1	1	2	...	...	19	1	1	73	1	8	3	
Seed Drills	48	...	12	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stills	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Strippers	272	...	2	...	...	...	9	5	6	...	...	...	...	...	75	4	11	48	95	...	...	1
Tree and Stump Ex-tractors	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Threshing Machines	772	9	86	42	15	30	139	29	15	5	19	32	7	35	115	25	23	62	56	5	23	
Waggons	3,755	17	254	99	64	29	700	253	133	34	31	177	83	335	684	284	47	267	118	28	117	
Weighing Machines	40	2	12	4	...	...	12	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Windmills	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wine Presses	166	...	20	...	...	...	48	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Winnowing Machines	1,625	10	268	47	22	57	208	37	21	7	34	49	16	75	279	140	24	162	133	18	18	
Wool Presses	30	...	12	...	...	...	4	3	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	2

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY ON SQUATTING STATIONS.—NUMBER OF IMPLEMENTS.**

RETURN showing the Number and Description of Agricultural Implements and Machines in operation upon Squatting Stations, in each Crown Lands Commissioner's District, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Names of Implements.	Total.	Pastoral Districts.																	
		Ararat.	Ballarat.	Beechworth.	Benalla.	Castlemaine.	Echuca.	Gippsland North.	Gippsland South.	Gisborne.	Grant.	Melbourne.	Ormsby.	Portland.	Settled Districts.	Swan Hill.	Warman-bool.	Wimmera East.	Wimmera West.
Steam Engines	31	...	...	...	7	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4
Carts	191	...	48	...	48	43	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	5
Chaff Cutters	1,844	18	169	115	189	112	136	70	87	96	53	24	114	43	83	4	4	25	23
Corn Crushers	348	5	43	18	43	15	18	10	13	21	15	5	17	4	7	34	28	121	281
Cultivators	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	61
Dips	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Drills	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Harrows	910	22	13	79	92	57	46	40	41	39	27	17	58	5	3	3	...	...	2
Hay Elevators	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hay Rakes (Horse)	17	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	148
Horse Hoes	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Horse Works	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Irrigation Works	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Land Scoops	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mowing Machines	45	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ploughs	1,091	35	15	93	106	65	61	45	56	51	28	15	73	7	50	4	4	68	7
Reaping Machines	62	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rollers	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarifiers	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Strippers	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Threshing Machines	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Waggons	312	22	4	16	37	23	31	5	10	10	17	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Weighing Machines	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whins	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Windmills	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wine Presses	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Winnowing Machines	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wool Presses	521	18	10	22	49	38	32	11	3	4	21	7	73	3	16	43	32	1	102

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY AND IMPROVEMENTS ON FARMS AND STATIONS.—VALUE.**

RETURN showing the Approximate Value of the Agricultural Machinery and of the Improvements upon Farms and upon Squatting Stations during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Description of Holdings.	Approximate Value of—		
	Agricultural Machinery and Implements.	Improvements.*	Total.
Holdings unconnected with Stations	£ 991,923	£ 5,460,989	£ 6,452,912
Stations	95,661	2,727,510	2,823,171
Total	1,087,584	8,188,499	9,276,083

\* This column includes the value of buildings of all descriptions and that of fencing, dams, wells, dips, &c., but not the cost of clearing or cropping land.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.



**AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY AND IMPROVEMENTS ON FARMS.—VALUE.**

RETURN showing the Approximate Value of the Agricultural Machinery and of the Improvements upon Farms in each County and Unsettled District during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Counties and Districts.	Approximate Value of—		
	Agricultural Implements and Machinery.	Improvements.*	Total.
	£	£	£
Anglesey ... ..	8,313	40,766	49,079
Bourke ... ..	149,032	881,470	1,030,502
Dalhousie ... ..	67,809	303,549	371,358
Dundas ... ..	11,643	141,626	153,269
Evelyn ... ..	16,414	121,094	137,508
Follett... ..	600	6,496	7,096
Grant ... ..	111,292	708,889	820,181
Grenville ... ..	33,670	305,258	338,928
Hampden ... ..	17,988	128,670	146,658
Heytesbury ... ..	8,050	70,004	78,054
Mornington ... ..	13,702	175,217	188,919
Normanby ... ..	27,779	232,981	260,760
Polwarth ... ..	9,136	108,414	117,550
Ripon ... ..	52,539	187,457	239,996
Talbot ... ..	176,494	579,539	756,033
Villiers ... ..	41,494	338,769	380,263
Gippsland ... ..	25,151	148,786	173,937
The Loddon ... ..	94,402	404,574	498,976
The Murray ... ..	88,471	377,556	466,027
Rodney ... ..	12,572	62,362	74,934
The Wimmera ... ..	25,372	137,512	162,884
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>991,983</b>	<b>5,460,989</b>	<b>6,452,912</b>

\* This column includes the value of buildings of all descriptions, fences, &c., but not the cost of clearing or cropping land.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY AND IMPROVEMENTS ON FARMS OF VARIOUS SIZES, ETC.**

RETURN showing the Number and Area of Farm Holdings of various sizes, and the Approximate Value of the Agricultural Machinery and Implements and of the Improvements thereon, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868, together with the Average Value of Machinery and Improvements to the Holding and to the Acre.

Size of Farm Holdings.	Farm Holdings of each Class.		Approximate Value of—		
	Number.	Area in Acres.	Machinery, &c.	Improvements.	Total.
			£	£	£
1 acre to 5 acres ... ..	1,590	4,688	14,906	128,770	143,676
5 " 15 " ... ..	3,199	27,580	30,020	289,678	319,698
15 " 30 " ... ..	2,962	60,707	45,857	269,832	315,689
30 " 50 " ... ..	2,602	99,344	57,668	299,921	357,589
50 " 100 " ... ..	5,142	372,916	169,769	778,548	948,317
100 " 200 " ... ..	4,643	646,934	249,554	1,020,388	1,269,942
200 " 350 " ... ..	2,616	687,808	188,506	859,683	1,048,189
350 " 500 " ... ..	891	364,794	75,649	403,583	479,232
500 " and upwards ... ..	1,606	2,479,546	159,994	1,562,692	1,722,686
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>25,251</b>	<b>4,744,317</b>	<b>991,923</b>	<b>5,613,095</b>	<b>6,605,018</b>

Size of Farm Holdings.	Average Value to a Holding of—			Average Value per Acre of—		
	Machinery, &c.	Improvements.	Total.	Machinery, &c.	Improvements.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1 acre to 5 acres ... ..	9'375	80'987	90'362	3'180	27'468	30'648
5 " 15 " ... ..	9'384	90'553	99'937	1'088	10'503	11'591
15 " 30 " ... ..	15'482	91'098	106'580	'755	4'445	5'200
30 " 50 " ... ..	22'163	115'266	137'429	'580	3'019	3'599
50 " 100 " ... ..	33'016	151'408	184'424	'455	2'088	2'543
100 " 200 " ... ..	53'748	219'769	273'517	'386	1'577	1'963
200 " 350 " ... ..	72'059	328'625	400'684	'274	1'250	1'524
350 " 500 " ... ..	84'904	452'955	537'859	'207	1'106	1'313
500 " and upwards ... ..	99'623	973'033	1,072'656	'065	'630	'695
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>39'283</b>	<b>222'292</b>	<b>261'575</b>	<b>'209</b>	<b>1'183</b>	<b>1'392</b>

NOTE.—The columns headed "Improvements" include the value of buildings of all descriptions, fencing, dams, wells, &c., but not the cost of clearing and cropping land.

## AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY AND IMPROVEMENTS ON STATIONS.—VALUE.

RETURN showing the Approximate Value of the Agricultural Machinery, and of the Improvements upon Squatting Stations, in each Crown Lands Commissioner's District, during the Year ending 31st March, 1868.

Pastoral Districts.	Approximate Value of—		
	Agricultural Implements and Machinery.	Improvements.*	Total.
	£	£	£
Ararat ... ..	3,381	120,032	123,413
Ballarat ... ..	663	63,075	63,738
Beechworth ... ..	4,825	78,826	83,651
Benalla ... ..	13,024	583,374	596,398
Castlemaine ... ..	7,639	113,388	121,027
Echuca ... ..	8,438	210,261	218,699
Gippsland North ... ..	2,038	44,676	46,714
Gippsland South ... ..	2,078	57,450	59,528
Gisborne ... ..	6,295	62,891	69,186
Grant ... ..	2,238	72,649	74,887
Melbourne ... ..	2,719	35,927	38,646
Omeo ... ..	1,194	17,438	18,632
Portland ... ..	5,322	139,070	144,392
Settled Districts ... ..	2,588	36,838	39,426
Swan Hill ... ..	1,075	17,165	18,240
Warrnambool ... ..	7,297	297,514	304,811
Wimmera East ... ..	8,223	238,749	246,972
Wimmera West ... ..	16,624	538,187	554,811
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>95,661</b>	<b>2,727,510</b>	<b>2,823,171</b>

\* This column includes the value of buildings of all descriptions, fencing, dips, wells, dams, &c., but not the cost of clearing or cropping land.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

## MILLS FOR GRINDING AND DRESSING GRAIN.

RETURN of the Number of Mills for Grinding and Dressing Grain in operation in each County and Unsettled District during the Year 1867; also, the Nature and Amount of Power employed, the Number of Pairs of Stones in operation, the Number of Hands employed, the Quantity of Grain operated upon, the Quantity of Flour and Meal produced, and the Approximate Value of Machinery and Plant and of Lands and Buildings.

Counties and Districts.	Number of Mills.	Power employed.		Amount of Horse-power employed.	Number of Pairs of Stones in operation.	Number of Hands employed.	Quantity of Grain operated on during the Year.		Flour made during the Year.	Meal made during the Year.	Approximate Total Value of—		
		Steam.	Water.				Wheat.	Other.			Machinery and Plant.	Lands.	Buildings.
							bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	£	£	£
Anglesey ... ..	2	2	...	18	5	7	19,800	...	471	...	2,100	150	2,350
Bourke { Exclusive of Mel- { bourne and Suburbs {                      and {                      Suburbs	8	7	1	131	22	33	171,920	3,100	3,682	20	10,100	2,010	7,300
Dalhousie ... ..	14	14	...	330	70	119	926,366	178,840	19,225	2,206	30,205	16,590	70,000
Dundas ... ..	11	10	1	218	37	49	474,100	19,000	9,386	...	22,200	5,000	28,200
Evelyn ... ..	3	3	...	40	8	20	60,550	214	1,111	...	3,300	400	3,200
Grant ... ..	2	1	1	19	3	4	10,000	200	150	4	1,400	20	1,100
Grenville ... ..	10	10	...	190	36	51	354,040	6,380	8,112	56	16,850	1,965	13,200
Hampden ... ..	4	4	...	108	17	33	290,000	300	5,907	70	6,000	1,800	9,000
Mornington ... ..	2	2	...	26	4	8	36,000	20,800	745	...	2,500	139	1,500
Normanby ... ..	2	2	...	14	2	3	2,800	250	58	6	750	70	250
Polwarth ... ..	4	3	1	32	8	14	29,000	50	730	...	3,100	270	1,650
Ripon ... ..	2	2	...	22	3	7	32,300	1,500	666	...	1,300	250	1,200
Talbot ... ..	4	4	...	78	13	25	189,461	714	3,989	363	7,550	1,130	8,650
Villiers ... ..	20	17	3	362	63	118	1,021,000	16,500	21,782	227	42,950	1,960	27,800
	5	4	1	76	16	22	109,000	40,000	2,040	50	10,000	950	8,950
Gippsland ... ..	5	3	2	69	10	19	74,535	700	1,521	...	6,100	410	2,850
The Loddon ... ..	8	8	...	142	24	70	662,840	...	17,242	...	12,580	2,120	14,000
The Murray ... ..	10	9	1	138	23	45	298,200	8	6,197	2	17,164	3,450	12,136
Rodney ... ..	1	1	...	16	2	4	15,600	...	840	...	1,000	50	600
The Wimmera ... ..	1	1	...	12	2	5	25,000	...	555	...	1,300	100	500
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>118</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2,041</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>4,802,512</b>	<b>288,556</b>	<b>104,409</b>	<b>3,004</b>	<b>198,449</b>	<b>38,834</b>	<b>214,436</b>

NOTE.—This return is imperfect, inasmuch as several proprietors of mills declined to furnish particulars, and in some cases the details supplied were incomplete. Under these circumstances, therefore, this table must be looked upon as understating the truth.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

STONE QUARRIES.

RETURN of the Number of Stone Quarries in operation in each County and Unsettled District during the Year 1867; also, the Nature, Quantity, and Value of Stone operated upon, the Nature and Amount of Machine-power employed, the Number of Hands employed, and the Approximate Value of Machinery and Plant and of Lands and Buildings.

Counties and Districts.	Number of Quarries.	Steam-engines in use.		Number of Hands employed.	Quantity of Stone operated on during the Year.			Approximate Total Value of—			
		Number.	Amount of Horse-power employed.		Bluestone.	Granite.	Sandstone.	Stone raised.	Machinery and Plant.	Land.	Buildings.
Bourke { Melbourne and Suburbs ...	52	1	3	233	tons. 210,540	tons. ...	tons. ...	£ 36,229	£ 4,089	£ 5,610	£ 563
Dalhousie ...	2	...	...	5	700	...	...	20	18	50	...
Grenville ...	5	...	...	19	11,500	...	...	2,425	417	...	...
Normanby ...	1	...	...	2	1,500	...	...	150	50	100	20
The Loddon ...	1	...	...	3	...	...	100	250	10	50	...
The Murray ...	1	...	...	9	...	1,560	...	3,900	...	...	...
<b>Total</b> ...	<b>62</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>224,240</b>	<b>1,560</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>42,974</b>	<b>4,584</b>	<b>5,810</b>	<b>583</b>

NOTE.—This return is imperfect, inasmuch as some of the proprietors of quarries declined to furnish particulars to the collectors. The present is the first occasion on which any attempt has been made to collect the statistics of this industry.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

BREWERIES.

RETURN of the Number of Breweries in operation in each County and Unsettled District during the Year 1867; also, the Number of Men, Horses, and Drays employed, the Amount of Material used, the Quantity of Beer produced, and the Approximate Value of Brewing Plant and Casks and of Lands and Buildings.

Counties and Districts.	Number of Breweries.	Number of Hands employed.	Number of Horses employed.	Number of Drays and Waggons employed.	Materials used during the Year.			Beer made during the Year.	Approximate Total Value of		
					Sugar.	Malt.	Hops.		Machinery and Plant.	Lands.	Buildings.
Bourke { Exclusive of Melbourne and Suburbs ...	2	5	7	5	lbs. 38,760	bushels. 7,832	lbs. 2,236	gallons. 37,400	£ 1,400	£ 260	£ 900
Bourke { Melbourne and Suburbs ...	18	239	109	64	4,713,690	243,998	328,538	5,233,074	44,345	22,660	64,020
Dalhousie ...	5	33	25	17	291,310	23,876	24,201	363,538	2,550	1,450	4,600
Dundas ...	1	1	1	1	1,040	208	260	3,120	10	8	50
Grant ...	8	83	81	42	1,958,077	35,212	94,019	1,649,354	31,200	4,500	12,500
Grenville ...	5	46	40	20	352,940	39,165	31,715	637,488	8,250	2,800	7,100
Mornington ...	1	1	1	1	1,300	310	432	5,000	75	35	200
Normanby ...	3	5	1	1	1,560	1,750	1,170	12,600	550	190	400
Polwarth ...	1	5	3	2	9,360	1,248	1,248	16,848	200	100	350
Ripon ...	2	3	2	3	12,000	750	700	10,400	80	95	250
Talbot ...	5	68	53	31	703,825	369,728	72,889	830,299	15,300	3,300	17,000
Villiers ...	1	3	1	1	2,240	10,000	448	11,232	500	100	600
Gippsland ...	3	10	8	9	40,440	3,200	5,240	35,760	520	385	1,290
The Loddon ...	13	112	87	59	1,099,317	59,789	88,684	1,291,984	30,180	3,720	31,630
The Murray ...	5	15	20	8	43,950	4,474	4,840	94,416	3,059	1,000	4,800
Rodney ...	4	19	19	16	109,380	10,700	14,680	187,500	3,250	500	1,950
The Wimmera ...	5	17	20	13	82,999	7,248	8,313	114,364	2,700	699	2,560
<b>Total</b> ...	<b>82</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>9,452,188</b>	<b>819,488</b>	<b>679,613</b>	<b>10,534,377</b>	<b>144,169</b>	<b>41,852</b>	<b>150,200</b>

NOTE.—This return is imperfect, inasmuch as in several cases the details supplied were incomplete, especially as regards the quantity of material used. Under these circumstances, therefore, this table must be looked upon as understating the truth.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General

**BRICK YARDS AND POTTERIES.**

RETURN of the Number of Brick Yards and Potteries in operation in each County and Unsettled District during the Year 1867; also, the Number of Machines employed, the Nature and Amount of Power employed, the number of Hands employed, the Number of Bricks made, and the Approximate Value of Bricks and Pottery, of Machinery and Plant, and of Lands and Buildings.

Counties and Districts.	Number of Brick Yards and Potteries.	Number of Machines employed.		Power employed.			Amount of Horse-power employed.	Number of Hands employed.	Number of Bricks Made during the Year.	Approximate Total Value of—				
		For Tempering or Crushing Clay.	For Making Bricks or Pottery.	Steam.	Horse.	Manual Labor.				Bricks.	Pottery.	Machinery and Plant.	Lands.	Buildings.
Anglesey ...	1	1	1	...	1	...	1	4	100,000	£ 200	£ ...	£ 30	£ 50	£ 40
Bourke { Exclusive of Melbourne and Suburbs	5	1	...	1	...	4	14	7	397,000	747	...	1,620	103	437
Bourke { Melbourne and Suburbs	78	61	30	3	39	36	76	443	29,229,000	57,138	10,800	12,190	25,655	8,140
Dalhousie ...	7	...	...	1	...	6	12	23	510,000	979	...	1,144	480	465
Dundas ...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	7	300,000	600	...	6	...	50
Evelyn ...	4	...	...	...	1	3	1	13	310,000	770	...	20	23	...
Follett ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	50,000	100	...	1	...	80
Grant ...	7	1	...	...	...	7	...	17	1,063,000	2,096	...	130	565	175
Grenville ...	16	8	3	...	7	9	8	78	4,493,000	8,714	465	1,686	250	2,220
Hampden ...	3	1	...	...	...	3	...	7	155,000	285	...	...	...	50
Normanby ...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	5	50,000	100	100	130	45	180
Polwarth ...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	200,000	425	...	30	250	80
Ripon ...	5	4	...	...	4	1	5	32	1,444,000	2,935	...	275	105	190
Talbot ...	4	1	...	...	1	3	1	14	1,100,000	1,870	...	150	10	230
Gippsland ...	5	...	...	...	...	5	...	5	420,000	660	...	40	230	345
The Loddon ...	21	2	3	...	6	15	7	101	4,650,000	7,205	4,460	1,926	375	3,260
The Murray ...	8	1	...	...	1	7	1	16	1,488,000	2,937	12,000	170	300	985
Rodney ...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	5	500,000	750	100	200	50	100
The Wimmera ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>782</b>	<b>46,459,000</b>	<b>88,511</b>	<b>27,925</b>	<b>19,748</b>	<b>28,491</b>	<b>17,027</b>

NOTE.—This return is imperfect, inasmuch as some of the proprietors declined, and others stated they were unable, to furnish particulars. Under these circumstances, therefore, the table must be looked upon as understating the truth.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

**MANUFACTORIES, WORKS, ETC.—I.**

GENERAL SUMMARY of the Manufactories, Works, &c., in each County and Unsettled District, in operation during the Year 1867; also, the Nature and Amount of Power, the Number of Hands employed, and the Approximate Value of Machinery and Plant and of Lands and Buildings.

Counties and Districts.	Number of Manufactories, Works, &c.	Power employed.				Amount of Horse-power employed.	Number of Hands employed.		Approximate Total Value of—		
		Steam.	Water.	Horse.	Manual Labor.		Males.	Females.	Machinery and Plant.	Lands.	Buildings.
Anglesey ...	1	1	...	...	...	7	10	...	£ 400	£ 50	£ 750
Bourke { Exclusive of Melbourne and Suburbs	9	4	3	...	2	124	102	...	4,270	1,410	2,350
Bourke { Melbourne and Suburbs	352	172	5	16	159	2,491	6,043	2,479	838,300	260,308	418,129
Dalhousie ...	27	10	...	7	10	97	135	...	10,985	3,645	9,700
Dundas ...	10	3	...	...	7	21	43	1	1,630	534	1,895
Evelyn ...	2	...	2	...	...	30	7	...	600	10	250
Follett ...	2	1	...	...	1	10	13	...	550	30	160
Grant ...	82	35	...	13	34	599	997	100	112,193	15,205	83,680
Grenville ...	55	39	...	2	14	438	815	34	155,845	40,139	53,320
Hampden ...	3	3	...	...	...	23	24	...	1,950	200	1,050
Heytesbury ...	4	3	...	...	1	30	41	1	2,600	...	1,000
Mornington ...	9	...	...	...	9	...	38	8	...	300	120
Normanby ...	14	2	1	2	9	27	55	1	3,680	2,445	6,020
Polwarth ...	4	2	...	2	...	25	23	...	2,210	190	1,370
Ripon ...	13	5	...	4	4	50	73	2	4,740	1,340	3,100
Talbot ...	34	15	1	4	14	268	300	2	49,132	4,328	13,008
Villiers ...	27	4	...	12	11	42	136	1	5,580	3,661	4,222
Gippsland ...	5	1	...	...	4	12	31	...	2,020	116	3,500
The Loddon ...	50	31	...	1	18	287	404	4	72,660	7,235	25,680
The Murray ...	12	3	...	3	6	28	57	5	6,085	1,140	3,350
Rodney ...	3	2	...	...	1	24	33	...	2,700	150	2,350
The Wimmera ...	17	6	...	7	4	66	109	...	5,547	435	2,980
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>4,699</b>	<b>9,489</b>	<b>2,638</b>	<b>1,283,677</b>	<b>342,871</b>	<b>637,984</b>

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

MANUFACTORIES, WORKS, ETC.—II.  
 RETURN showing, in classified arrangement, the Manufactories, Works, &c., in each County and Unsettled District, in operation during the Year 1867.

Manufactories, Works, &c.	Counties and Districts.																Total.							
	Anglesey.	Exclusive of Melbourne and Suburbs.	Bourke. Melbourne and Suburbs.	Dalhousie.	Dundas.	Evelyn.	Pollett.	Grant.	Greenville.	Hampden.	Heytesbury.	Mornington.	Normanby.	Polwarth.	Ripon.	Tabbot.		Villiers.	Gippsland.	The Loddon.	The Murray.	Rodney.	The Winmerra.	
<i>Connected with, or dependent upon, Agriculture.</i>																								
Agricultural Implement Manufactories ...	...	...	9	3	...	...	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	
Bone and Chemical Manure Manufactories ...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Bread and Biscuit Manufactories ...	...	...	4	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Corn-crushing, Chaff-cutting, and Hay-pressing Machines ...	1	...	30	8	1	...	...	10	11	...	...	...	...	...	6	3	9	...	5	...	...	...	5	
Malt Houses ...	...	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	
Starch and Maizeana Manufactories ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	
Tobacco and Cigar Manufactories ...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
<i>Working on raw materials, the production of the Pastoral Interest.</i>																								
Boiling-down Establishments ...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Fellmongeries and Wool-washing Establishments ...	...	...	14	...	2	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Flock Manufactories ...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Glue and Oil Manufactories ...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Meat-curing Establishments ...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Soap, Candle, and Tallow-rendering Works	...	...	14	1	...	...	...	6	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	1	...	3	1	...	...	...	
Tanneries, &c. ...	...	...	13	3	2	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	2	6	4	2	2	...	...	...	
<i>Manufacture of Food—of which the raw material is not the produce of Agriculture—and of Articles of Drink.</i>																								
Coffee, Chocolate, and Spice Works ...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Confectionery Manufactories ...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Distilleries ...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Gingerbeer, Aerated Waters, Liqueur, Cordial, Vinegar, Ink, and Blacking Manufactories ...	...	...	17	5	3	...	...	5	4	...	...	...	2	...	3	7	1	...	12	2	...	...	...	
Jam Manufactories ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Sugar Refineries ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
<i>Building Materials.</i>																								
Lime Kilns ...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	
Moulding, Framing, Turning, and Saw Mills	...	...	31	4	2	...	...	16	6	...	...	...	2	...	1	9	2	...	10	1	...	...	...	
<i>Machine Manufactories, Brass, Iron, and Lead Works.</i>																								
Fireproof Safe and Door Manufactories ...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Iron and Tin Works ...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Iron, Brass, and Copper Foundries ...	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	2	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	8	2	...	...	...	

MANUFACTORIES, WORKS, ETC.—II.  
 RETURN showing, in classified arrangement, the Manufactories, Works, &c., in each County and Unsettled District, in operation during the Year 1867—continued.

Manufactories, Works, &c.	Counties and Districts.														Total.								
	Anglesey.	Exetstive of Melbourne and Suburbs.	Bourke. Melbourne and Suburbs.	Dalhousie.	Dundas.	Evelyn.	Pollett.	Grant.	Grenville.	Hampden.	Heytesbury.	Mornington.	Normanby.	Polwarth.		Ripon.	Talbot.	Villiers.	Cippisland.	The Loddon.	The Murray.	Rodney.	The Wimmera.
Lead Works ...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Machinists, Engineers, &c. ...	...	19	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
Type Foundries ...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Miscellaneous Works and Manufactories.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Account-book, Paper-bag, &c., Manufactories	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bag and Sack Manufactories	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Blue Manufactories	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Boot Manufactories	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Brush Manufactories	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Cabinet Works (steam)	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Chemical Works	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Clothing Manufactories	...	33	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Coach and Wagon Manufactories (steam)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Dye Works	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Earth-closet Manufactories	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Filter Manufactories	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Gas Works	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Glass Works	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Hat and Cap Manufactories	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Ice Manufactories	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Looking-glass Manufactories	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Organ Builders...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Packing-case Manufactories	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Paint and Varnish Manufactories	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Patent Ship and Floating Docks	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Pianoforte Manufactories	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Printing Establishments (steam)	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	15
Rope and Twine Manufactories	...	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Salt Works	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ship and Boat Builders	...	9	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13
Stone Sawing and Breaking Machines	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Tar-distilling and Asphalt Works	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Water Works	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Woollen and Cloth Manufactories	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Total	1	9	352	27	10	2	2	82	55	3	4	9	14.	4	13	34	27	5	50	12	3	17	735

NOTE.—This and the preceding table do not include any works or machinery used for gold-mining purposes, nor for the crushing and amalgamating of quartz, cement, &c. Many of the figures are known to be very much under the truth, and both tables must only be considered as approximations to accuracy.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General

PATENTS.

RETURN showing the Number and Nature of Patents applied for and granted in the Colony of Victoria from 1854 to 1867, both years inclusive.

Subject of Patent.	Number.	Subject of Patent.	Number.
Accidents, Prevention of—		Juice and Fluid Separating ...	1
I. By Fire ...	4	Kaolin ...	2
II. Mining ...	2	Leather ...	1
III. Steam-boilers ...	4	Lithography and Zincography ...	3
Advertising ...	2	Locks ...	1
Barrows ...	1	Lubricating—	
Beehives ...	1	I. Apparatus for ...	4
Beverages ...	5	II. Materials for ...	3
Billiard-tables ...	6	Mangling, Ironing, &c. ...	5
Bread and Biscuits (Kneading, &c.) ...	7	Manures ...	4
Boiling-down Cattle ...	3	Medicines ...	17
Brewing, Distilling, and Preparation of Beer ...	12	Metals—	
Buckets and Bags ...	1	I. Antimony ...	6
Building and Building Materials—		II. Bismuth, Copper, &c....	2
I. Bricks, Mantelpieces, Tiles, Artificial		III. Gold—	
Stone, &c. ...	26	1a. Amalgamating ...	73
II. Bridges ...	6	b. Amalgamating and Crushing ...	34
III. Cements ...	10	c. Amalgamating, Crushing, and Washing ...	5
IV. Floors, Ceilings, &c. ...	2	d. Amalgamating and Separating ...	4
V. Girders, Bonds, &c. ...	5	e. Amalgamating and Smelting ...	2
VI. Roofs, &c. ...	4	f. Amalgamating and Washing ...	18
Buoys and Swimming Apparatus ...	3	2a. Crushing ...	67
Canals (Cleansing), Removing Earth, &c. ...	4	b. Crushing and Extracting ...	2
Cans, &c. ...	1	c. Crushing and Separating ...	1
Carriages, Waggon, Velocipedes, &c. ...	16	d. Crushing and Washing ...	1
Casks and Cleaning Casks ...	3	3. Extracting ...	12
Casting ...	3	4. Refining ...	1
Cattle (Breaking-in) ...	3	5a. Separating ...	18
Cesspools (Cleansing) ...	4	b. Separating and Washing ...	2
Chains ...	1	6. Smelting ...	8
Charcoal (Purifying) ...	1	7. Washing ...	52
Chemicals ...	6	IV. Iron ...	6
Chimneys and Flues (Cleaning, &c.) ...	5	V. Silver ...	2
Churns ...	2	VI. Soldering ...	1
Cisterns and Tanks ...	2	VII. Tin ...	1
Compasses—Surveying, Measuring, &c. ...	5	Meters, Water ...	4
Cooking and Cooking Apparatus ...	3	Milking, &c. ...	3
Cooling and Freezing ...	8	Mining ...	20
Corkscrews ...	1	Motive Power—	
Cork-cutting ...	1	I. Air ...	2
Cutting, Sawing, &c. ...	7	II. Self-sustaining ...	2
Destroying Obnoxious Matters—		III. Steam ...	3
I. Insects ...	5	IV. Transmitting ...	6
II. Vegetable Substances... ..	4	V. Water ...	12
Dippers ...	1	VI. Wind ...	4
Disinfecting and Deodorising ...	5	Musical Instruments ...	3
Draining ...	2	Nails ...	2
Dyeing ...	1	Oils ...	4
Earth-closets, Commodes, &c. ...	5	Optical Instruments, Stereoscopes, Spectral Illu-	
Engraving ...	2	sions ...	8
Excavating ...	1	Ordnance ...	1
Fencing ...	2	Ovens and Kilns ...	3
Filtering ...	2	Paints, &c....	6
Food—		Paper, Pasteboard, Papier Maché, Oakum, Rope,	
I. Human ...	20	&c. ...	3
II. Cattle ...	2	Paving, &c....	5
Forging ...	3	Photography ...	10
Fuel ...	10	Pipes—	
Furnaces ...	4	I. Bitumen, Caoutchouc, &c. ...	7
Furniture ...	9	II. Earthenware... ..	3
Gas—		III. Hose ...	1
I. Burning ...	10	IV. Metal ...	6
II. Fuel ...	1	V. Tobacco ...	1
III. Manufacturing ...	14	Pisciculture ...	1
IV. Regulating ...	3	Ploughing, Digging, &c. ...	4
Gelatine ...	1	Preserving and Preparing—	
Grain—		I. Animal and Vegetable Substances ...	27
I. Dressing, Cleaning, Threshing, &c. ...	11	II. Timber, Stones, Wood, Cement, &c. ...	13
II. Drying ...	2	Presses—Compressing and Packing ...	8
III. Preserving ...	1	Printing ...	8
Grinding and Crushing—		Propulsion... ..	2
I. Bark ...	1	Pumps, Pumping, Raising Water and other Liquids	31
II. Charcoal ...	1	Railways—	
III. Grain, &c. ...	9	I. Breaks ...	8
Grinding, Polishing, &c., Edge Tools ...	2	II. Construction ...	7
Guns ...	1	III. Carriages and Waggon	9
Gunpowder, Fuzes, &c. ...	9	IV. Rails, Chairs, Sleepers, &c. ...	9
Hammers, Picks, Shovels, &c. ...	5	V. Portable ...	1
Harness, Saddlery, &c. ...	6	VI. Street Tramways ...	3
Heating ...	8	VII. Wheels ...	4
Hoisting, Lifting, &c. ...	13	Rakes ...	3
Horseshoes ...	1	Reaping, Mowing, &c. ...	28
Illuminating, Lamps, &c. ...	15	Retorts ...	3

## PATENTS.

RETURN showing the Number and Nature of Patents applied for and granted in the Colony of Victoria from 1854 to 1867, both years inclusive—*continued*.

Subject of Patent.	Number.	Subject of Patent.	Number.
Sackholders, Jumpers, &c. ... ..	2	Tanning ... ..	3
Safes ... ..	1	Telegraphs, Telegraphic Wires, Cables, Posts, &c.	7
Salt ... ..	1	Tents ... ..	1
Scaffolding... ..	1	Time Meters and Clocks' ... ..	2
Sewing ... ..	2	Tobacco ... ..	7
Shearing ... ..	1	Toys ... ..	2
Ships and Boats—		Trees and Stumps (Pulling down and Extracting)	5
I. Building ... ..	3	Turning ... ..	1
II. Docks, and Apparatus for Repairs, &c....	2	Valves, and Regulating the Flow of Liquids ...	4
III. Lowering and Disengaging Boats ... ..	1	Varnish ... ..	2
IV. Propulsion, Steering, &c. ... ..	7	Ventilating Mines, Buildings, &c. ... ..	12
V. Raising Sunken ... ..	4	Washing, Cleansing, and Wringing Fabrics ...	9
VI. Rigging, Sails, &c. ... ..	2	Wearing Apparel—	
Shutters, Blinds, &c. ... ..	7	I. Boots, Shoes, &c. ... ..	7
Signals, Alarms, Communicating Apparatus ...	2	II. Coats ... ..	1
Skates (Roller) ... ..	6	III. Crinoline ... ..	1
Smoke (Consumption of), Saving Fuel, &c. ...	5	IV. Hats, Caps, &c. ... ..	10
Soap and Candle Making ... ..	7	V. Shirts, Shirt Collars, Cuffs, &c. ... ..	4
Starch, Maizena, &c. ... ..	2	VI. Trousers, Overalls, &c. ... ..	3
Steam—		VII. Waterproofing ... ..	1
I. Boilers and Furnaces ... ..	5	Windows ... ..	1
II. Engines, Condensers, Engine-packing ...	12	Wire, &c., (Fastening) ... ..	1
Stone-breaking ... ..	18	Wool and Hides ... ..	10
Sugar ... ..	5		
Surgery and Surgical Instruments ... ..	4	Total ... ..	1,215

NOTE.—The actual number of patents applied for and granted during the foregoing period is 1,097. A discrepancy between this number and that of the classified list above has proved unavoidable, since many of the inventions for which patents have been granted are available for more than one purpose, and consequently had to be placed under more than one heading.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

## MACHINERY ON THE GOLDFIELDS.

RETURN of the Number and Description of Machines employed in Alluvial and Quartz Mining in the several Mining Districts during the Quarter ending 31st December, 1867.

## ALLUVIAL MINING.

Mining Districts.	Steam-engines employed in Winding, Pumping, &c.		Pudding Machines.	Whims and Pulleys.	Whips.	Quicksilver and Compound Cradles.	Sluices, Toms, and Sluice Boxes.	Water-wheels.	Hydraulic Hoses.	Pumps.	Stamp-heads.	Boring Machines.
	Total Number.	Aggregate Horse-power.										
Ballarat District ... ..	280	6,774	579	105	14	11	2,762	...	...	32	58	11
Beechworth District ... ..	41	519	77	24	43	2	13,634	169	4	267	...	1
Sandhurst District ... ..	33	486	489	20	72	...	185	...	...	...	298	...
Maryborough District ... ..	38	703	524	105	9	66	180	...	2	9	18	2
Castlemaine District ... ..	53	977	519	64	23	107	497	8	...	95	188	1
Ararat District ... ..	25	404	80	14	7	28	189	...	...	2	97	2
Gippsland District ... ..	...	...	25	...	...	...	2,145	30	2	217	...	...
Total ... ..	470	9,863	2,293	332	168	214	19,592	207	8	622	659	17

## QUARTZ MINING.

Mining Districts.	Steam-engines employed in Winding, Crushing, &c.		Crushing Machines.	Stamp-heads.	Whims and Pulleys.	Water-wheels.	Whips.	Approximate Value of all Mining Plant in the District.
	Total Number.	Aggregate Horse-power.						
Ballarat District ... ..	102	2,407	5	995	30	12	10	£ 713,775
Beechworth District ... ..	45	603	1	875	7	45	6	246,607
Sandhurst District ... ..	137	2,686	7	1,320	177	1	233	421,150
Maryborough District ... ..	82	1,422	9	656	68	...	37	211,500
Castlemaine District ... ..	107	1,839	26	919	146	5	81	254,805
Ararat District ... ..	27	579	8	306	34	...	3	110,558
Gippsland District ... ..	32	419	1	458	1	13	1	120,800
Total ... ..	532	9,955	57	5,529	463	76	371	2,079,195

R. BROUGH SMYTH, Secretary for Mines.



MILLS, MANUFACTORIES, MACHINERY, ETC.—DECENNIAL RETURN.

Year.	Flour Mills.	Stone Quarries.	Manufactories, Works, &c.	Agricultural Machines.	Machines used in Gold Mining.	
	Number.	Number.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
1858	89	...	421	...	...	...
1859	97	...	407	...	8,139	£1,155,923
1860	94	...	475	...	6,208	£1,299,303
1861	104	...	429	...	6,155	£1,411,012
1862	104	...	603	...	7,209	£1,492,861
1863	110	...	716	...	7,534	£1,503,459
1864	93	...	612	...	7,077	£1,496,699
1865	118	...	785	£729,281	6,337	£1,773,271
1866	114	...	872	£865,697	5,328	£2,068,527
1867	118	62	990	£1,087,584	5,830	£2,079,195

NOTE.—Prior to 1859 the Gold-mining Machinery was included with the Manufactories, Works, &c., as were also the principal Agricultural Machines prior to 1861. The Breweries and Brick Yards, &c., have been included with the Manufactories, &c., throughout the ten years.

WILLIAM HENRY ARCHER, Registrar-General.

QUARTZ REEFS AND EXTENT OF GOLD WORKINGS.

RETURN of the Number of distinct Quartz Reefs actually proved to be Auriferous, and the Total Extent in Square Miles of Auriferous Alluvial and Quartz Ground actually worked upon, in the several Mining Districts, during the Year 1867.

Mining Districts.	Number of distinct Quartz Reefs proved to be Auriferous.	Extent in Square Miles of Auriferous Alluvial and Quartz Ground worked upon.
Ballarat District...	155	69
Beechworth District	475	151 $\frac{3}{4}$
Sandhurst District	453	219
Maryborough District	470	80 $\frac{1}{2}$
Castlemaine District	363	185
Ararat District ...	51	64 $\frac{1}{4}$
Gippsland District	414	99
Total ...	2,381	868 $\frac{1}{2}$

NOTE.—The number of distinct quartz reefs cannot be strictly correct, as parts of the same reef, in some localities, are held to be distinct reefs, and named accordingly. As the reefs are further explored it is found, too, that what were supposed to be separate reefs are not really distinct.

R. BROUGH SMYTH, Secretary for Mines.

PRICES OF QUARTZ AND CEMENT CRUSHING.

RETURN of the Prices charged per Ton for Crushing Quartz and Cement in the several Mining Districts during the Quarter ending 31st December, 1867.

Mining Districts.	From			To		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Ballarat District...	0	4	0	1	0	0
Beechworth District	0	10	0	1	10	0
Sandhurst District	0	5	6	1	0	0
Maryborough District	0	5	0	0	12	0
Castlemaine District	0	4	0	0	19	0
Ararat District ...	0	6	0	0	13	0
Gippsland District	0	10	0	1	10	0
Lowest and highest prices ...	0	4	0	1	10	0

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AVERAGE YIELD OF AURIFEROUS QUARTZ.

RETURN showing the Average Yield of Gold from certain parcels of Quartz Crushed in 1867 in the several Mining Districts, from Returns made by the Mining Surveyors and Registrars.

Mining Districts.	Tons Crushed.	Total Produce.		Average Yields per Ton.		
		ozs.	dwts.	ozs.	dwts.	grs.
Ballarat District ...	243,994 $\frac{1}{2}$	84,249	17	0	6	21'7
Beechworth District	113,994 $\frac{3}{4}$	72,958	3	0	12	19'2
Sandhurst District	285,240 $\frac{1}{2}$	129,699	6	0	9	2'2
Maryborough District	86,865 $\frac{1}{10}$	44,570	1	0	10	6'2
Castlemaine District	132,280 $\frac{1}{2}$	76,174	10	0	11	12'4
Ararat District ...	56,174 $\frac{1}{2}$	49,760	18	0	17	17'1
Gippsland District...	30,300 $\frac{1}{10}$	41,264	17	1	7	5'6
Total ...	948,850 $\frac{12}{25}$	498,677	12	0	10	12'2

NOTE.—The above table does not show the total quantity of quartz crushed in the several localities, but only the yield of certain "crushings" respecting which the Mining Surveyors and Registrars have been able to obtain information. Owing to the circumstance that many of the machine-owners are unable to give or are precluded from giving information, it is impossible to get complete returns from every district, and in considering the relative importance of each district, as regards quartz mining, the tables relating to machinery should be examined and compared.

Since the first publication of the statistics, information has been obtained concerning 4,925,442 $\frac{11}{20}$  tons which have been crushed, which yielded an average of 11 dwts. 16'14 grs. per ton.

R. BROUGH SMYTH, Secretary for Mines.

**WATER-RACES IN MINING DISTRICTS.**

RETURN showing the Length of Water-races constructed, and their Approximate Cost, in the several Mining Districts, to 31st December, 1867.

Mining Districts.		Length of Races.		Approximate Cost.
		Miles chains.		£
Ballarat District...	...	275	22	27,209
Beechworth District	...	962	5	210,969
Sandhurst District	...	36	0	2,208
Maryborough District	...	280	72	13,187
Castlemaine District	...	252	30	25,419
Ararat District ...	...	129	0	6,830
Gippsland District	...	364	55	36,081
<b>Total</b>	...	2,300	24	321,903

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**PRODUCE OF GOLD FROM QUARTZ VEINS AND ALLUVIAL WORKINGS.**

RETURN showing approximately the Gold obtained from Quartz Veins and Alluvial Workings during the Year 1867.

From Quartz Veins ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	560,527
From Alluvial Workings	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	873,160 <sup>6</sup> / <sub>20</sub>
<b>Total Gold Exported</b>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,433,687 <sup>6</sup> / <sub>20</sub>

NOTE.—The above results are but rough approximations. The Mining Surveyors and Registrars can furnish only estimates based on information afforded by the banks and gold-buyers, and on their own knowledge of the character of the workings in their districts. The check on the returns—and not a sufficient one—is that afforded by the returns of quartz and quartz tailings crushed, which, however, cannot, and do not, comprise information respecting all the vein-stuff put through the mills.

R. BROUGH SMYTH, Secretary for Mines.

**VALUE OF GOLD-MINING CLAIMS.**

RETURN showing the Estimated Value of the Claims in the several Mining Districts on the 31st December, 1867.

Mining Districts.						Estimated Value of Claims.
						£
Ballarat District	...	...	...	...	...	1,803,190
Beechworth District	...	...	...	...	...	1,784,360
Sandhurst District	...	...	...	...	...	1,507,100
Maryborough District	...	...	...	...	...	878,118
Castlemaine District...	...	...	...	...	...	756,076
Ararat District	...	...	...	...	...	451,738
Gippsland District	...	...	...	...	...	280,630
<b>Total</b>	...	...	...	...	...	7,461,212

R. BROUGH SMYTH, Secretary for Mines.

**MINERS' RIGHTS AND BUSINESS LICENSES.**

RETURN of Miners' Rights and Business Licenses issued in Victoria during the Year 1867.

Place or District where Issued.	Miners' Rights.										Business Licenses.			Total Receipts.						
	1 Year at 5s.	2 Years at 10s.	3 Years at 15s.	4 Years at 20s.	5 Years at 25s.	6 Years at 30s.	Number.	Consolidated Miners' Rights.	Representing Single Rights at 5s.	Miners' Rights anti-anted. Fee 5s.	Amount received.	6 Months at 50s.	Transfers at 10s.			Amount Received.				
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£			s.	d.			
Mining District of Ballarat ...	14,070	...	...	...	...	70	4,303	33	3	4,601	10	0	360	...	900	0	0	5,501	10	0
Mining District of Beechworth..	7,381	...	...	1	...	40	383	3	1	1,942	15	0	337	1	843	0	0	2,785	15	0
Mining District of Sandhurst ...	5,924	3	2	4	...	1	5	1	1	1,491	0	0	249	...	622	10	0	2,113	10	0
Mining District of Maryborough	4,884	...	...	...	...	5	60	4	...	1,237	0	0	113	...	282	10	0	1,519	10	0
Mining District of Castlemaine..	5,081	4	...	5	2	13	284	9	...	1,353	0	0	127	...	317	10	0	1,670	10	0
Mining District of Ararat ...	1,791	...	1	4	...	3	97	...	...	476	15	0	196	...	490	0	0	966	15	0
Mining District of Gippsland ...	1,372	...	...	2	...	23	99	2	...	370	5	0	43	...	107	10	0	477	15	0
Melbourne ...	508	...	...	...	...	21	80	...	...	147	0	0	5	...	12	10	0	159	10	0
<b>Total</b>	41,011	7	3	16	2	176	5,311	52	...	11,619	5	0	1,430	1	3,575	10	0	15,194	15	0

R. BROUGH SMYTH, Secretary for Mines.

**GOLD-MINING LEASES ISSUED.**

RETURN of the Number of Gold-mining Leases issued in the Year 1867, together with the Extent of Ground Leased, and the Proposed Capital to be employed in working the said ground.

Mining Districts.	Number of Leases.	Extent.			Total Capital Proposed.
		a.	r.	p.	
Ballarat District ... ..	17	1,460	2	35	£ 106,100
Beechworth District ... ..	52	565	2	18	251,950
Sandhurst District ... ..	85	644	1	2	148,785
Maryborough District ... ..	68	1,128	3	5	169,900
Castlemaine District ... ..	23	224	3	11	155,200
Ararat District ... ..	33	972	2	18	69,250
Gippsland District... ..	55	741	2	38	264,985
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>333</b>	<b>5,738</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1,166,170</b>

R. BROUGH SMYTH, Secretary for Mines.

**GOLD-MINING LEASES IN FORCE.**

RETURN of the Number of Gold-mining Leases in force on the 31st December, 1867, together with the Extent of Ground Leased, and the Proposed Capital to be employed in working the said ground.

Mining Districts.	Number of Leases.	Extent.			Total Capital Proposed.
		a.	r.	p.	
Ballarat District ... ..	44	2,282	1	20	£ 229,100
Beechworth District ... ..	111	1,453	0	34	647,450
Sandhurst District ... ..	468	2,960	0	30	803,300
Maryborough District ... ..	197	2,026	3	15	449,750
Castlemaine District ... ..	111	1,043	0	4	577,531
Ararat District ... ..	46	1,088	0	7	101,450
Gippsland District... ..	70	992	3	14	385,700
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>1,047</b>	<b>11,846</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3,194,281</b>

NOTE.—The total number of Gold-mining Leases granted since the commencement is 3,188, containing 52,739 a. or. 36 p. The above table shows those only which were actually in force on the 31st December, 1867.

R. BROUGH SMYTH, Secretary for Mines.

**WATER-RIGHT LICENSES.**

RETURN showing the Number of Water-right Licenses for Gold-mining purposes issued during the Year 1867.

Number.	Area of Races.			Length of Races.		Maximum Quantity of Water to be diverted per diem.	Area of Reservoirs.			Capacity of Reservoirs.	Capital proposed to be invested.	Annual Rent.
	a.	r.	p.	miles	chains.		a.	r.	p.			
47	151	3	25	44	9 <sup>55</sup> / <sub>100</sub>	41,121,700	8	2	32	8,586,540	£ 33,485	£ 533 0 0

R. BROUGH SMYTH, Secretary for Mines.

**MINING COMPANIES REGISTERED.**

RETURN of the Mining Companies Registered in the several Courts of Mines during the Year 1867.

Mining Districts.	Number of Companies.	Number of Shares.	Nominal Capital.	
			£	s. d.
Ballarat District ... ..	51	124,100	499,800	0 0
Beechworth District ... ..	26	48,950	182,574	0 0
Sandhurst District ... ..	5	65,250	41,312	10 0
Castlemaine District ... ..	21	101,048	172,060	0 0
Maryborough District ... ..	24	117,760	217,100	0 0
Ararat District ... ..	25	21,591	93,100	0 0
Gippsland District ... ..	8	13,105	28,150	0 0
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>160</b>	<b>491,804</b>	<b>1,234,096</b>	<b>10 0</b>

NOTE.—It appears from the returns forwarded by the Clerks of the Courts of Mines that twelve companies have been wound up, with 16,680 shares, and a nominal capital of £131,600.

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## LICENSES TO SEARCH FOR METALS, ETC.

RETURN showing the Number of Licenses to Search for Metals or Minerals other than Gold issued during the Year 1867.

Names of Metals or Minerals.	Number of Licenses.	Extent of Ground held under Licenses.		
		a.	r.	p.
Coal ... ..	12	7,060	0	0
Cobalt ... ..	2	960	0	0
Copper ... ..	3	1,668	3	20
Copper and Mercury ... ..	2	1,270	0	0
Copper, and Mercury, and Silver ... ..	1	250	0	0
Copper and Cinnabar, &c. ... ..	1	610	0	0
Slate ... ..	1	292	1	19
Total ... ..	22	12,111	0	39

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## MINERAL LEASES ISSUED.

RETURN of the Number of Mineral Leases issued in the Year 1867, together with the extent of Ground Leased, and the Proposed Capital to be employed in working the said ground.

Names of Metals and Minerals.	Number of Leases.	Area.			Total Capital proposed to be invested. £
		a.	r.	p.	
Coal ... ..	1	640	0	0	4,000
Copper and Silver... ..	1	38	3	21	30,000
Lignite ... ..	1	247	3	18	1,000
Silver ... ..	1	50	0	0	2,000
Slate ... ..	1	49	3	39	500
Tin ... ..	1	80	0	0	5,000
Total ... ..	6	1,106	2	38	42,500

R. BROUGH SMYTH, Secretary for Mines.

## MINERAL LEASES IN FORCE.

RETURN of the Number of Leases in force on the 31st December, 1867, for the purpose of Mining for Metals and Minerals other than Gold.

Names of Metals and Minerals.	Number of Leases.	Area.			Total Capital proposed to be invested. £
		a.	r.	p.	
Antimony ... ..	9	52	1	7	7,650
Coal ... ..	3	1,598	2	30	32,000
Copper ... ..	1	625	0	12	25,000
Copper and Silver ... ..	1	38	3	21	30,000
Flagstones ... ..	1	50	0	0	2,000
Kaolin and other Clays ... ..	1	7	0	18	1,000
Lignite ... ..	2	327	3	14	2,000
Silver ... ..	8	583	0	1	32,800
Slate ... ..	4	231	2	20	14,900
Tin ... ..	1	80	0	0	2,000
Total ... ..	31	3,594	2	3	149,350

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## GUNPOWDER ISSUED ON THE GOLDFIELDS.

RETURN of the Quantities of Gunpowder issued, &c., on the several Goldfields during the Year 1867.

Mining Districts.	Quantity in Stock at the commencement of the year.				Quantity Issued during the year.				Quantity in Stock at the end of the year.			
	tons	cwt.	qrs.	lbs.	tons	cwt.	qrs.	lbs.	tons	cwt.	qrs.	lbs.
Ballarat District ... ..	12	17	3	20	44	5	3	21	9	19	3	3
Beechworth District ... ..	0	16	2	0	0	14	0	0	0	6	2	0
Sandhurst District ... ..	33	17	3	17	89	14	0	22	22	13	1	11
Maryborough District ... ..	8	10	3	18	15	7	0	19	11	19	2	6
Castlemaine District ... ..	6	11	1	25	28	0	2	24	5	2	1	23
Ararat District ... ..	4	6	0	18	13	16	2	7	6	4	1	9
Gippsland District ... ..	4	15	1	7	4	14	1	19	5	9	2	11
Total ... ..	71	16	0	21	196	13	0	0	61	15	2	7

NOTE.—The quantity of gunpowder on hand in the Ballarat District at the commencement of the year was as above stated, and not 13 tons 2 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs., as shown in the *Mineral Statistics* for 1866. The difference arises from the Keeper of the Magazine at Creswick having included ammunition in his returns of gunpowder received during the year 1866.

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