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VICTORIA.

ESTIMATE OF COST OF RAILWAYS UNDER
ACT No. 682.

RETURN to an Order of the *Legislative Assembly*,
Dated 31st July, 1883, for—

A COPY of Mr. Elsdon's Estimate of the Cost of the Railways that were proposed under Act No. 682, showing Country and Suburban Lines, the mileage of each, the class, rate of speed, estimated cost of construction, rails, land, &c. ; also a Return showing the Length and Contract Price at which each line has been let, the cost of permanent way, and the amount paid for land ; also showing the Amount originally available under Act No. 682, and the Amount actually expended or under contract, and the date when such contracts were made.

(*Mr. Patterson.*)

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VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

ESTIMATED COST OF LINES UNDER ACT 682, AS PER MR. ELSDON'S ESTIMATE, OCTOBER, 1881.

RETURN SHOWING LENGTH, CONTRACT PRICE, ETC., ETC., AS ASKED FOR.

LINE.	Mileage Length.	Rates per Mile.			Rolling Stock.	Cost of Construction, Land, and Works.	Average Rate per Mile for Construction, Land, &c.	Cost of Rolling Stock.	GRAND TOTAL.		Lines Altered in Bill.	Mileage Length.	Date at which Contracts were made.	Contracts.			Cost of Permanent way Materials.	Amount paid for Land to 30th June.
		Class. 24 Miles per hour, including stoppages	Class. 16 Miles per hour, including stoppages	Class. 8-10 Miles per hour, including stoppages					£	£				£	£	£		
St. Arnaud to Donald ...	23.10	...	3,600	...	400	83,160	...	9,240	92,400	...	...	23.86	26.4.81	36,334	36,334	...	28,220	3,010
Cope Cope to E. Charlton ...	23.00	...	3,600	...	400	82,800	...	9,200	92,000	...	Inglewood to Charlton	42.76	13.7.81 14.4.82	69,549	65,058	4,491	48,319	4,222
E. Charlton to Wycheproof ...	16.00	...	...	2,200	300	35,200	...	4,800	40,000	...	...	16.51	15.5.82	42,471	27,658	14,813	19,669	2,197
Inglewood to Boort ...	34.00	...	3,600	...	400	122,400	...	13,600	136,000	...	Borung to Boort	17.90	27.4.82	30,000	21,356	8,644	19,141	1,949
Elmore to Kerang ...	66.93	...	3,600	...	400	241,200	...	26,800	268,000	...	Eaglehawk to Kerang	73.02	13.10.81 20.6.82	108,316	61,165	52,284	82,167	7,681
Shepparton to Numurkah ...	20.49	...	3,500	...	400	71,750	...	8,200	79,950	...	...	20.74	11.4.81	20,545	24,663	...	17,899	2,524
Benalla twds. Yarrawonga ...	21.00	...	3,600	...	400	75,600	...	8,400	84,000	...	...	20.36	20.4.82	28,922	21,701	7,221	23,037	3,119
Jung Jung to Dimboola ...	21.34	...	3,700	...	400	78,960	...	8,540	87,500	...	Horsham to Dimboola	21.33	8.6.81	28,584	26,688	...	24,534	215
Branxholme to Casterton ...	32.08	...	4,100	...	400	131,200	...	12,800	144,000	...	...	32.05	30.5.82	75,038	28,223	46,815	36,899	2,616
Ballarat to Scarsdale ...	14.00	...	4,100	...	400	57,400	...	5,600	63,000	...	...	13.25	2.8.82	25,779	19,618	6,161	15,052	1,064
Castlemaine to Maldon ...	12.00	...	5,600	...	400	67,200	...	4,800	72,000	...	...	11.94	30.8.82	28,315	13,448	17,467	12,300	2,939
Everton to Myrtleford ...	17.06	...	4,100	...	400	69,700	...	6,800	76,500	...	...	16.60	3.8.82	39,006	25,055	13,951	19,065	1,050
Colac to Camperdown ...	28.20	...	4,300	...	400	121,260	...	11,280	132,540	...	...	28.14	5.9.81	47,420	45,095	2,325	30,974	13,537
Tallarook to Yea ...	24.24	...	5,000	...	400	121,250	...	9,700	130,950	...	...	23.76	27.9.82	97,637	62,537	35,100	27,510	4,634
Footscray to B. Marsh ...	23.00	...	4,600	...	400	105,800	...	9,200	115,000	...	...	23.00	2.2.83	151,330	5,235	146,249	26,586	1,490
Traralgon to Heyfield ...	21.00	...	...	2,200	300	46,200	...	6,300	52,500	...	...	22.28	24.3.82	50,625	40,093	10,532	25,593	3,283
Morwell to Mirboo ...	20.00	...	...	2,200	300	44,000	...	6,000	50,000	...	...	20.50	23.1.83	74,991	7,188	67,803	23,150	399
Total, Country Lines ...	417.44	...	...	...	...	1,555,080	3,725	161,260	...	1,716,340	...	428.00	...	954,862	531,115	438,856	480,115	55,929
SUBURBAN AND SPECIAL LINES.																		
Hawthorn to Lilydale ...	20.00	10,000	...	...	900	200,000	...	18,000	218,000	...	...	20.13	15.9.81	79,866	77,868	1,998	24,373	38,260
Richmond to Alphington ...	5.61	16,000	...	...	900	89,800	...	5,000	94,800	...	...	2.34	15.9.82	25,307	10,730	14,577	5,006	9,367
Kensington to Coburg ...	4.49	11,000	...	...	1,000	49,500	...	4,500	54,000	...	Melbourne to Coburg	4.77	4.4.82	52,683	22,366	30,317	5,930	39,236
Caulfield to Frankston ...	19.97	7,100	...	...	900	142,000	...	18,000	160,000	...	...	19.91	13.5.81	40,916	43,644	1,016	23,384	17,714
Wodonga to the Murray ...	2.13	...	...	...	...	23,000	...	...	23,000	...	...	2.12	9.5.82	24,984	18,955	5,284	4,518	1,156
Ballarat Race Branch... ..	2.00	...	4,000	...	1,500	8,000	...	3,000	11,000	...	...	2.12	8.4.81	3,569	...	...	1,964	590
Total, Suburban, &c., Lines	54.20	...	...	...	...	512,300	9,452	48,500	...	560,800	...	51.39	...	227,325	177,132	53,192	65,175	106,332
Spencer-street Station Yard...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44,000	TOTALS	479.39	...	1,182,187	708,247	487,048	545,290	162,261
TOTAL	471.64	...	...	...	...	2,067,380	...	...	...	2,321,140	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Towards Daylesford Extension ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Amount available ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,324,541	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balance ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£31,950	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Amount available under the Act 608 ²/₆ £2,088,312
(being £21,676 less than authorized to be expended under the Act.)

Amount expended to 30th June, 1883 £1,621,936

Amount under Contract, including estimated Land Liabilities £565,680

Accountant's Office, Railway Department,
August 6th, 1883.

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