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FOR THE

PROTECTION OF THE ABORIGINES

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THE COLONY OF VICTORIA.

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REPORT.

1st November, 1888.

SIR,

The Board for the Protection of the Aborigines have the honour to submit for Your Excellency's consideration their Twenty-fourth Report on the condition of the Aborigines of this colony, together with the reports from the managers of the stations, and other papers.

1. The Board have held one special and ten ordinary meetings during the year.

2. The average number of Aborigines and half-castes who have resided on the various stations during the year is as follows:—

Coranderrk, under the management of	Mr. Shaw	...	...	91
Framlingham,	Mr. Goodall	...	...	94
Lake Condah,	Revd. J. H. Stähle	...	...	95
Lake Wellington,	Revd. F. A. Hagenauer	58
Lake Tyers,	Mr. Bulmer	62
Lake Hindmarsh,	Mr. Bogisch	37
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				437
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Others visit the stations and reside periodically for a time.

3. Eighty half-castes who lately resided on the reserves are now earning their own living, or are being supported by their parents away from the stations.

Of this number, seven girls and six young men have good situations, and are doing well. Two married couples are also at service. Five married couples, with large families, are living on their selections, or on rented farms; and two children have been sent to the Brighton Orphanage.

The Board are happy to say that the hiring out of half-caste girls as servants has, so far, been a success; and they have little doubt that other girls who are now being trained on the stations for the same work will give like satisfaction to their employers.

Rations and clothing are (and will for a time be) supplied to those of the above half-castes who, according to the "Amended Act," "satisfy the Board of his or her necessitous circumstances."

The Board have not yet been successful in apprenticing youths to trades, neither the boys nor the parents being very favorable to it, the former preferring a more open air occupation.

The Board are of opinion that during the short time the "Amended Act" has been in force the results as to the half-castes are satisfactory.

As after the 31st December, 1889, no rations will be issued to half-castes under 34 years of age, many who now cling to the stations will have to leave and provide for themselves. The numbers on the various stations will then be greatly reduced, in view of which the Board are considering the advisability of doing away with one or more stations.

4. The marrying of half-caste girls to pure blacks is a subject that has been brought under the notice of the Board. The Board are of opinion that such marriages should be discouraged as much as possible. The "Amended Act" was framed to merge the half-caste population into the general community; by *encouraging* the intermarriage of blacks and half-castes that point would not be attained.

As many of these girls are almost white, and have been well brought up, they will probably find husbands among the white population.

Return showing (1) The total expenditure on each station; (2) The net income derived from each; (3) The actual cost of each:—

Station.	Total Expenditure.			Net Income.			Actual Cost.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Coranderrk ...	2,660	15	1	948	12	6	1,712	2	7
Framlingham ...	2,560	7	0	...	...	...	2,560	7	0
Lake Condah ...	1,652	12	10	215	12	5	1,437	0	5
Lake Wellington ...	641	2	4	207	12	8	433	9	8
Lake Tyers ...	945	10	11	34	8	9	911	2	2
Lake Hindmarsh ...	1,134	2	11	101	7	3	1,032	15	8

NOTE.—The salaries of the missionaries and teachers at Lakes Condah, Wellington, Tyers, and Hindmarsh do not appear in the return, they being paid by the Church Committees or the Education Department.

Return of births, marriages, and deaths during the year:—

Name of Station.	Births.	Marriages.	Deaths.
Coranderrk ...	6	1	1
Framlingham ...	2	1	0
Lake Condah ...	5	1	2
Lake Wellington ...	1	0	3
Lake Tyers ...	4	1	0
Lake Hindmarsh ...	1	2	6
	19	6	12

There are about 300 (three hundred) Aborigines, including half-castes, who prefer to roam about the country, and will not settle down upon any of the stations. They are supplied with clothing and rations at depôts in different parts of the colony. (See Appendices XVI., XVII., XX.)

I have the honour to be

Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

ALEX. MORRISON,

Vice-Chairman.

His Excellency

Sir H. B. Loch, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,
&c., &c., &c.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX I.

SIR, Coranderrk, 30th June, 1888.
I have the honour to forward you my annual report on the condition of the natives and work of this station, &c., dating from 1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

I am very thankful to be able to report that the health of the people generally during the whole year has been really good: Although, among the white people, in the neighbouring townships of Lilydale and Healesville, much sickness and many deaths occurred from typhoid fever and diphtheric croup, yet we had not a single case of suffering from those dreaded maladies. A few have suffered from bronchitis and other ordinary ailments of the natives, but only one death has occurred during the whole year, and that was a child suffering from teething and bronchitis.

The behaviour and conduct generally has been as good as could be expected; but while some continue to live quiet, sober, and industrious lives, there are others whose inclinations lead them to live very differently, and are at times, in consequence, less or more troublesome.

They all, however, ought to be very comfortable and happy, for they have all the necessaries of life regularly supplied to them. Our ration list contains bread, meat, tea, sugar, rice, oatmeal, salt, soap, candles, pepper, and mustard, and other articles, when necessary, as medical comforts. With a regular supply of the above, together with milk, potatoes, and vegetables, and the ever-bracing mountain air and pure water, it would be strange if there was not health at Coranderrk.

Those who fenced in and made gardens for themselves last year are, I am glad to say, keeping them in really nice and good order.

The work of the station has been carried on as in former years. Religious services have been held on the station morning and evening every Sunday for all, and Sunday school for the children in the afternoons.

Religious instruction, too, has been given to the children in the day school every morning by Mr. Mackie, the schoolmaster, before proceeding to the programme of secular instruction of the Education Department.

Our hop crop, which is the principal one of the station, was got in in good order, and realized satisfactory prices in the market.

We had about 14 acres of land ploughed and sown with oats for hay, and a very good crop was the result, which enabled us to feed the horses and milking cows all through the winter months.

The floods of last year washed away about one-half of our potato crop; but what was left was good, although not sufficient to supply the whole station all the year through.

The improvements made consist of the erection of an additional large yard to the stock-yard, and the enlargement of the hay shed.

About a mile and a quarter of post and wire fence, with one top rail, has also been put up in a very creditable manner, entirely by the natives themselves. A considerable amount of ringing of trees and cutting down of scrub has also been done, which will greatly improve the grazing capabilities of the land. Other improvements of more or less importance have been effected about the station, and all by the natives themselves without the employment of Europeans.

The number of residents has been as follows:—

	Average.	Total.		Average.	Total.
July	90	96	January	96	102
August	91	95	February	97	102
September... ..	88	95	March	105	115
October	85	95	April	93	95
November	84	96	May	92	92
December	90	97	June	84	86

The above may be divided as follows, viz.:—28 males, 20 females, whose ages vary from 14 to 60 years. Children under 14 years, 25 boys and 20 girls. Of the adult males, there are only a few who can be regarded as able-bodied men; and the half-castes have always to do the heaviest and most work.

The following tables will show the number of births and deaths:—

TABLE OF BIRTHS.

Date.	Name.	Sex.	Names of Parents.	Colour.
September 16, 1887	Jemima Campbell	F.	{ Alick Campbell L. Campbell	Half-caste. Half-caste.
December 9, 1887 ...	John Rowan	M.	{ Dick Rowan M. A. Rowan	Half-caste. Half-caste.
February 21, 1888...	Frank Wandin	M.	{ Robert Wandin J. Wandin	Half-caste. Half-caste.
February 27, 1888...	John Terrick	M.	{ Abel Terrick S. Terrick	Half-caste. Half-caste.
March 29, 1888 ...	Mary E. Hamilton	F.	{ William Hamilton A. Hamilton	Half-caste. Half-caste.
April 3, 1888 ...	Mary Russell... ..	F.	{ William Russell L. Russell	Half-caste. Half-caste.

TABLE OF DEATHS.

Date.	Name.	Sex.	Age.	Cause of Death.	Colour.
February 22, 1888...	Freddy Banfield ...	M.	1½ years ...	Bronchitis	Black

There has only been one marriage on the station during the year. Abel Terrick and Sarah Edmond were married on the 25th February.

The number of stock has increased since last year, and now consists of the following:—81 cows, 72 calves, 60 heifers, 11 steers, 3 Hereford bulls, 8 working bullocks, and 12 horses; total, 247.

The number of half-castes now earning their own living away from the station is 8—5 females and 3 males. A young married couple were away for a month or so, but have returned again to the station, and are awaiting a suitable opening.

Before I conclude this report I would beg to urge upon the Board the necessity of issuing, with the sanction of authority, the regulations that were submitted last year for the consideration of the managers. I am sure they would meet with general approval.

When the natives were less enlightened there was little or no need of regulations, as they never thought of calling in question the authority of a manager; but now they are ready enough to do so, and hence the necessity of recognised and printed regulations, particularly as to the issuing of rations and clothing, &c., and which, no doubt, would result in the better and more uniform management of the different stations.

In conclusion, I must thank you, sir, for your ready and prompt attention to the requirements of the natives whenever I have had occasion to bring them before you.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOSEPH SHAW.

Capt. Page, Secretary and General Inspector of Aborigines, Melbourne.

APPENDIX II.

SIR,

Aboriginal Station, Purnim, 30th June, 1888.

I have the honour herewith to forward my report for the year ending June, 1888.

Again it gives me much pleasure in reporting favorable progress in the work done on the station, and the general improvement in the conduct of the inhabitants of the station.

The attendance during the year has varied between 95 and 100.

Their attention to their work has been very good, resulting in a considerable amount of fencing and clearing being accomplished.

The cultivation done consisted of about 15 acres of oats and 10 acres of potatoes, from which we gathered a fair yield.

The stock on the station are looking exceedingly well and healthy, better than I have seen them at any previous corresponding period of the year.

There are at present on the station 10 cows, 50 calves, 74 heifers, 14 steers, 2 bulls, 205 ewes, 4 lambs, 4 rams, 10 horses, 9 working bullocks, and 4 foals.

Twenty-six head of cattle and 293 ewes and wethers have been killed for meat for the station.

The station is now subdivided into 9 paddocks, the areas ranging from 20 acres up to 1,800. The material for subdividing the larger paddocks is split and ready for erection, which work will be proceeded with almost immediately.

The health of the people has been fair, with the exception of a few cases of long standing; no deaths have occurred during the year.

Two births and one marriage during the year.

Date.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Names of Parents.	Description of Parents.
November 1, 1887 ...	Mary Gibb ...	F.	{ John Gibb ... Lolo Gibb ...	Black. Black.
November 29, 1887...	Alice Clarke ...	F.	{ Frank Clarke ... Alice Clarke ...	Half-caste. Half-caste.

The marriage celebrated was between Dinah Brown and Governor Baxter, an aged couple, and the last of their respective tribes.

The children are making marked progress under the able tuition of Miss Powell, the percentage of results being equal to most schools in the districts, and surpassed by only a few.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

WILLIAM GOODALL.

A. M. A. Page, Esq., General Inspector B.P.A.

APPENDIX III.

SIR,

Mission Station, Lake Condah, 27th August, 1888.

I have the honour to forward my annual report with reference to the state and condition of the Aborigines under my charge, and the progress of this station with regard to the general management.

The total number of blacks and mixed blood belonging to the station is 120, the average number of those who resided here constantly during the year being 94.

The state of health was fairly good, with the exception of a severe attack of influenza in spring and autumn, which for a time confined a great many of the people to their homes, but nothing of a serious character resulted from it.

The return of births and deaths is as follows:—

BIRTHS.

Name.	Colour.	Date.	Names of Parents.	Colour.
Henry	Mixed blood	August 20th, 1887	{ William Carter Agnes Carter	Full black. Half-caste.
Frederick Amos	Half-caste ...	August 25th, 1887	{ James Lovett Hannah Lovett	Half-caste. Half-caste.
George Lawrence	Mixed blood	Sept. 18th, 1887 ...	{ James Young Jane Young	Half-caste. Full black
Allen McKinnon	Half-caste ...	October 4th, 1887 ...	{ Alfred McDonald Annie McDonald	Half-caste. Half-caste.
David	Black ...	March 30th, 1887 ...	{ Sam Mobourne Isabella Mobourne	Black. Black.

DEATHS.

Name.	Colour.	Date.	Cause of Death.	Age.
Barbara Arden	Half-caste ...	Nov. 22nd, 1887 ...	Chronic disease of liver ...	About 46 years.
William Wilson	Black ...	August 22nd, 1888	Peritonitis from rupture of bladder	About 50 years.

There was one marriage.

The school, which is under the Education Department, is attended by between 40 and 50 children, about 12 of whom are whites whose parents reside in the neighbourhood. A suitable permanent teacher has been appointed, and all the children make good progress under his energetic tuition.

The station income and expenditure is as follows:—

INCOME.				EXPENDITURE.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Wool ... ..	...	163	8 0	By cheque to Aboriginal Board, and shearing expenses ... ..	...	163	8 0
Bark ... ..	...	14	15 3	Wages to Aborigines ... ..	...	14	5 0
Skins ... ..	...	37	9 2	Ploughing and sowing oats and potato seed ... ..	...	21	3 0
				Incidental station expenses ... ..	...	16	16 5
Total ... ..	...	£215	12 5	Total ... ..	...	£215	12 5

The stone wall to which I referred last year has been completed, so that the 1,700 acres of stony ground may now be regarded as securely fenced in.

The whole reserve was enclosed at the completion of this stone wall, and we rejoiced to know that we could keep the station stock together with less trouble than formerly, but I regret to say that the day after the completion of this work, a bush fire broke out in a neighbour's paddock and destroyed over one mile of our post and three-rail and log fencing. I am glad, however, to state that we have not only succeeded in repairing this damage again, but have also put up another dividing fence, so that we have now, besides our two cultivation paddocks, not less than seven grass paddocks of various sizes, which will enable us to change the pasture of the stock from time to time as may be found advisable.

The stock which we have on hand at present is as follows:—528 ewes with lambs (the latter not marked yet), 11 rams, and 312 wethers; total number of sheep, 851; 103 head of cattle, inclusive of a team of working bullocks, 12 in number; and 13 horses.

Owing to a disease among the ewes, we lost a considerable number during the winter, but I am glad to say that the sheep now seem to be all healthy and in fair condition. We had about 18 acres of land under cultivation, 12 acres more sown with oats, which yielded a very good crop, and 6 acres more planted with potatoes, but the latter did not turn out well, being few and rather small.

The garden was more of a success last year, for we had a good supply of all kinds of vegetables and fruits, all of which were consumed on the station, and, as we have a large number of children here, the latter was a great boon to them.

With regard to the Amended Act, referring to the merging of the half-castes and mixed blood among whites, I have to make the following observations:—

There are at present 27 of these people away from this station residing among whites, endeavouring to earn their own living and to establish homes for themselves.

That all will succeed in doing so I am very doubtful, for while it requires a stout heart and a diligent and steady man to provide for a wife and children, if no other support is his except that which a labouring man can earn in the form of wages, I fear that two married men who are out at present, and who have both large families, will never succeed in getting on in life without support from the Government of one kind or another.

The young men, however, especially those who had entered into employment a considerable distance away from here, and who have been brought up on the station from childhood, are doing well, and give general satisfaction to their employers.

As the Act makes no provision with regard to the girls, the Board has the duty laid upon them of sending them out into service.

Whether this is likely to answer or not may be gathered from a statement read to the Aboriginal Board at one of their meetings, by the Rev. F. A. Hagenauer, as the outcome of a conference held in Melbourne by all missionaries and managers of Aboriginal stations in 1882. He says—"All experience is against the principle of hiring out Aboriginal girls as servants, and we cannot recommend it. The girls, as a rule, are not able to protect themselves from the advances of a class of white men into whose way their duties may throw them; and although, in very rare cases and under very favorable circumstances, the girls have escaped temptations to which they have been exposed, the hiring-out system is attended with very great danger. In several cases girls with babies had to take refuge at the stations, and such sad events can only be avoided by keeping them at home. Besides this, it may be mentioned that there are not eight or ten girls to be found in the whole colony of Victoria fit to be hired out."* Now these girls have not undergone a change for the better to such a degree, nor have the circumstances under which they are to be hired out become so secure since then, as to enable them to resist temptations; on the contrary, the animal nature being in them, as among all savage races, predominant, they will become an easy prey, especially when they can see no prospect of being married to any of their own race; and while white men would ridicule the idea of getting *married* to an Aboriginal half-caste, a good many unprincipled fellows would not be slow in accomplishing their ruin.

I would therefore earnestly request that all half-caste girls, and especially those of a darker colour of the mixed blood, may be allowed to remain on those stations where they are located, until the young men, who have to leave, and who have left the station already, have succeeded in making homes for themselves and can see their way to come and marry them; and if any of the girls should get married to full blacks, I beg to remark that, while we have no legal power to hinder them doing so, it will be a hundred times better to see them married to people of their own race and colour, than to force them out among whites, and thus expose them to ruin.

The fact that the race is dying out fast, and that there are only a very few to marry, ought to make it all the more desirable to put no restriction upon them in this respect.

The blacks have conducted themselves satisfactorily as a whole, but have not worked with the same brightness and hopefulness on the station during the past year as they did formerly, for I had always kept the prospect before them, which I believed I was justified in doing, that if they worked well, we could secure a station income, which would enable me to pay them regular wages, and that this station would always be a home for them and their children; but as it has since come about that we have to send in the money for wool and stock to the Board, and the children of these Aborigines are forced to leave the station by Act of Parliament, while the few remaining blacks are to be prevented from marrying after their own choice, they have lost all confidence, and are determined to leave the station and earn a living for themselves and their families in the best way they can, rather than part with their girls and have no prospect that they should be able to marry among their own people and settle down on the station, which they have always looked upon as their home. When one considers that grave doubts were entertained about the Aborigines ever settling down to a civilized life, and the trouble the missionaries had to train them to do so, it seems all the more deplorable that, after this has been successfully accomplished, they should ever be caused through any means to take again to a wandering life, with its consequent vices and hardships. I trust, however, that the Board may yet see their way to consider favorably these points referred to herein which are "burning questions" with our Aborigines, viz.:—The future of their girls, the intermarrying between blacks and the mixed blood, and the permanency of the home on which they have done no small amount of work, as the Board well knows.

Among the many visitors we have had during the year was again his Lordship the Bishop of Ballarat, and, as my report would become too lengthy were I to copy all the observations made by those visitors, as recorded in the visitors' book, I will confine myself to what the Bishop has written, which I have no doubt will be of interest. His object of visit was to hold confirmation, and he wrote on the 7th May as follows:—

"Before service I examined all the candidates for confirmation in their catechism, and in their religious knowledge generally . . . all alike pleased me with their answers to the questions put to them. A very interesting service followed; 90 or 100 persons assembled in the church, and it will not be possible to find a congregation more earnestly attentive; and I pray and believe that some lasting good will follow. Mrs. Thornton accompanied me on a brief friendly call at all the houses. As always, we were cordially received. Did Mr. Curr, author of *The Australian Race*, know as much of the past and present of some of those we visited, he would not have written slightly of the effect of the Gospel on the blacks!

"Excellent new fences are being put up round most of the houses.

"Pleased and thankful, as always, with my visit, I again invoke the choicest blessing of the God of Missions on my friends Mr. and Mrs. Stähle, their helpers, and their work.

"S. BALLARAT."

Finally, I desire, on behalf of the blacks, to thank the Government and the Aboriginal Board for all supplies which they were provided with, all of which rations and clothing were of good quality.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

J. H. STÄHLE.

Captain Page, the General Inspector and Secretary, B.P.A., Melbourne.

* Since this statement was read, Mr. Hagenauer has had reason to change his opinion on the subject of hiring out half-caste girls. His late experience is, that the girls are exposed to greater danger on the stations than they are when living with respectable families.

APPENDIX IV.

SIR,

Ramahyuck Mission Station, Lake Wellington, 14th July, 1888.

I have the honour to forward to you my report on the state and progress of the mission work among the Aborigines at this station and the surrounding district, during the past year, from 1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888, from which you will observe the following particulars:—

I. The total number of Aborigines belonging to this station now—since all the half-caste people have settled elsewhere—is only 61, although a good many more have been here for longer or shorter periods as visitors from other stations. The following table of attendance will give the particulars on this subject:—

1887.			Total.	Attendance.	1888.			Total.	Attendance.
July	...	...	61	59	January	...	84	77
August	...	...	63	61	February	...	67	67
September	...	...	62	60	March	...	70	67
October	...	...	63	59	April	...	68	58
November	...	...	69	63	May	...	67	58
December	...	...	72	66	June	...	61	51

II. The total number of half-castes who, before and also during the past year, have left the station and settled elsewhere is 27, so that the new law in regard these people has been carried out at this station, and during my visit to them at their new homes I found nearly all comfortably settled down and earning fair wages, and one man with wife and five children had, during the twelve months, saved between £20 and £30 from his wages, and hopes soon to buy a little cottage with some land from his own exertions. All of those parents who have children of the proper age send them to the State schools, and also to Sunday schools in their neighbourhood. There can be no doubt about it that the new law has conferred a great benefit on these people, which will be more and more observed in days to come, especially if the law is strictly carried out.

III. The returns of marriages, births, and deaths are as follows:—

MARRIAGES.—None.

BIRTHS.—One.

Mary Ellen Darby Full Aboriginal Born, February 17th, 1888.

DEATHS.—Three.

Name.	Colour.	Date.	Disease.	Age.
Laura Ellis	Half-caste ...	Nov. 24th, 1887 ...	Inflammation of heart ...	16 years.
James Haydon	Black ...	April 7th, 1888 ...	Consumption	24 ,,
Henry Jones	Black ...	May 28th, 1888 ...	Consumption	22 ,,

IV. The general state of health among our people has not been so good as last year, which may be accounted for partly that we have a number who are old and infirm, and others do not care well enough for their health, which is often the case with young men, who over exert themselves at sports in the neighbouring townships.

V. Regarding the comfort of all the people residing at the station, a favorable report can be given, for not only are all provided with good cottages, but the supply of good clothes and provisions granted by the Board, in addition to a liberal supply of fresh meat, &c., from the station, and wages for their work, so everything is done for their comfort and happiness.

VI. The system of education in connexion with the Education Department is still in force at this station, but, as the number of children is getting very small, it may be soon necessary to effect a change. There are now only nine Aboriginal children on the roll. Out of school the boys have to learn all kinds of garden and farm work, and the girls have to do sewing, and also to learn household work.

VII. The land belonging to the Aboriginal reserve is 2,300 acres, including about 500 acres of deep morasses, and the extent of the Avon River for the length of the reserve. The reserve is subdivided into the following paddocks:—

A.—Large paddock of 1,800 acres, including the morasses. A new fence subdividing this paddock has been commenced, but the work being only done by our men, when not engaged otherwise, the progress is but a slow one.

B.—A well-fenced 320-acre paddock for young stock, horses, and working bullocks. Again we made many improvements in repairing fences and clearing.

C.—Paddock of 200 acres, in which the station is situated. This paddock is subdivided into many small gardens, paddocks for calves, and cultivation grounds. A good supply of vegetables of all kinds, including a large quantity of potatoes for home use, and also some maize has been raised, which is of great value for the station.

VIII. The reserve is stocked with about 250 head well-bred cattle, from which we get a full supply of meat for the station, and are also able to sell a small lot to carry on the work, and to pay the wages to all who work. A good many cows are milked for the supply of milk and butter. Nineteen fat cattle and about 70 fat sheep have been killed during the past year for the supply of fresh meat, which is of very great importance to the natives. The surplus stock which has been sold is accounted for in the usual way below, for the general expenditure of the station, and of paying wages:—

INCOME.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Net income from surplus stock	196	13 7	Balance due last year	40	7 1
From hides	7	11 7	General expenditure	79	15 6
Miscellaneous	3	7 6	Wages accounts	86	19 0
			Cash balance	0	11 1
Total	£207	12 8	Total	£207	12 8

IX. Regarding the general improvements on the station, both in the dwellings of the natives and also in the different paddocks, I am able to give a pleasing account. The houses are all in good repair, and several of the fences have been renewed, and all of them repaired. A few of the cottages are now empty in consequence of the half-castes having left the station, but can be used again at any time if it should be needed.

X. I feel sorry to report that the blacks are frequently supplied with strong drink by some people in the neighbouring townships, and that even several youths, when away from the station, indulge in this evil, and seem even to think that "drinking is manly," which they, no doubt, hear from some of their white companions.

XI. It will be very desirable that the Board, now as the half-castes are settled elsewhere, will frame regulations for the better care and management of the blacks, which would be of great benefit to them, and, at the same time, save some expenditure and yet give them even more comfort than some will choose to enjoy at present.

In conclusion, I wish again to express our best thanks for the kind assistance of the Board, and for the prompt attention of the General Inspector, for the excellent qualities of clothes and stores, and medical aid, whenever needed. I also wish to express my thanks to Dr. McLean and the authorities of the Sale Hospital for their kindness to our sick people.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. A. HAGENAUER,

Missionary.

Captain A. M. A. Page, Inspector-General of Aborigines, Melbourne.

APPENDIX V.

SIR,

Mission Station, Lake Tyers, 10th October, 1888.

I have the honour to forward my annual report for 1887-8.

1. The average attendance at the stations for the past year has been about 61; we have never had more than 68 at the station during the year.

2. The number of children attending school is 24, of which 11 are males and 13 females. All up to the age of 8 years can read and write.

3. The stock on the station comprises 45 head of mixed cattle; this number includes 8 calves, which have been branded this season. We have also 24 sheep. We have killed 201 sheep and 1 heifer. This has been given to those who have assisted in the work of the station, and to a few old people who cannot work. I may state that the Aborigines still hunt native game, though, owing to the great value on kangaroo skins, these animals have been very much hunted by whites, so that they become rather scarce about Lake Tyers.

4. The buildings on station are the same as last year. Those used by the Aborigines are kept fairly clean, though a few leave something to be desired in the way of cleanliness.

5. The cultivation of the station is as follows:—Potatoes, about 3 acres; and about 2 acres of other useful vegetables, as peas, beans, &c. The potato crop was very fair for Lake Tyers, though very much below the average of other places where land is better. I would strongly recommend that we turn our attention to fruit-growing, as fruit-trees of all kinds thrive here. I have planted 200 selected fruit trees which you kindly sent; they are all, without exception, doing well. I think if we planted about 300 almond and walnut trees next season they would become a valuable property.

6. The blacks have been employed in preparing a piece of ground for this year's crop. We have fenced and paled a large piece of ground of about 12 acres. One of the Aborigines has split 6,000 palings for the fence, which was erected by William Thorpe. The greater part of this area is planted with the fruit-trees above mentioned. The apple crop was fairly good. None was sold.

7. I append a list of births, deaths, and marriages.

8. The income and expenditure I also give on separate sheet.

9. On behalf of the Aborigines, I have to thank the Board for the plentiful supply of clothing and provisions, and in other ways attending to their comfort.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

JOHN BULMER.

Captain A. M. A. Page, General Inspector B.P.A.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE AT LAKE TYERS.

INCOME.			EXPENDITURE.		
		£ s. d.			£ s. d.
By Wool and skins	...	5 14 8	By Wages, &c.	...	93 1 2
Sheep skins	...	3 8 1			
4 tons 8 cwt. wattle bark	...	25 6 0			
Balance	...	58 12 5			
		<u>£93 1 2</u>			<u>£93 1 2</u>

BIRTHS.

Name.	Colour.	Date.	Parents' Names.	Colour.
Samuel Newcomb	Black	July 5th, 1887	{ Charles Newcomb ... } { Sophia Newcomb ... }	Black.
Polly Bull	Black	June 14th, 1887	{ Billy the Bull ... } { Emily Bull ... }	Black.
Lillian Hay	Black	Nov. 17th, 1887	{ Jack Hay ... } { Rosy Hay ... }	Black.
Adam Cooper	Black	Feb. 28th, 1888	{ Dick Cooper ... } { Emma Cooper ... }	Black.

DEATHS.

Nil.

MARRIAGES.

There was one marriage, which was celebrated in Bairnsdale, by the Rev. E. G. Veal, on the 12th October, 1887.

JOHN BULMER.

APPENDIX VI.

SIR,

Mission Station, Lake Hindmarsh, 1st August, 1888.

I have the honour to forward my annual report on this station for the year ending the 30th June, 1888.

The total number of blacks and mixed blood belonging to this station is 71, the average number 51. The returns of births and deaths are as follow :—

BIRTHS.

Name.	Colour.	Date.	Name of Parents.	Colour.
Phillip Murray	Half-caste	August 19th, 1887	{ Richard Kennedy Rosa Kennedy	Half-caste. Half-caste.

MARRIAGES.

Name.	Colour.	Date.
Robert Nicholl Margaret Alexandra Syntax	Half-caste Black	} March 3rd, 1888.

DEATHS.

Name.	Colour.	Date.	Cause of Death.	Age.
Old Mark	Black	August 5th, 1887	Bronchitis	65 years.
Commodore	Black	August 13th, 1887	Bronchitis	80 years.
Ned Scott	Black	August 13th, 1887	Bronchitis	50 years.
Blind Tom	Black	August 25th, 1887	Bronchitis	65 years.
Robert Kinnear	Half-caste	December 18th, 1887	Dentition	11 months.
Old Bob	Black	January 3rd, 1888	Stomach complaint and old age	65 years.

From the death-rate it will be seen that bronchitis proved fatal to some of our old blacks; one of them with the same sickness succumbed when on a visit to Lake Condah Mission Station.

The number of children attending school is yet smaller than last year, owing to some families being away from the station.

In reference to the general comfort, happiness, and contentment of the blacks, I can report favorably, and can also add here that the feeling of them in regard to the good and plentiful supplies from the Government is very satisfactory; and it gives me great pleasure to convey the best thanks for all assistance and prompt attention to the people's wants to the Board and their efficient secretary. Most of the able-bodied men preferred rather to work at the station than to seek for employment outside. There have been erected by the blacks substantial fences, post and six wires, for dividing the reserve into several paddocks. Besides the old cultivation paddock, consisting of 25 acres for hay, we have a new field of 35 acres well fenced in, sown for wheat, the crop of which looks very promising. No want of food for horses, cattle, and sheep was felt. The yield from our hayfield last year was 1 ton to the acre, of which we have a good supply yet for the next season.

Our fruit harvest, consisting chiefly in grapes, has turned out pretty well. The receipts for sold fruit to visitors, &c., were £23 1s. 3d. Another addition to our fruit garden has been made, and about 100 young fruit-trees are planted, which have the advantage of getting well watered from a pump worked by a new windmill, which was erected here last year by the kind assistance of the Board.

The income and expenditure for the year has been as follows :—

INCOME.				EXPENDITURE.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
By Wool ... ..	...	56	12 8	By Cheque to B.P.A. ... ..	...	56	12 8
Fruit ... ..	...	23	1 8	Wages, &c. ... ..	...	44	14 7
Skins ... ..	...	21	13 4				
		£101	7 3			£101	7 3

In conclusion, I wish again to express our best thanks to the Board and its able secretary for all the assistance and ample supplies of clothes, rations, meat, and other little wants and comforts, which were all of good quality.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
H. P. BOGISCH.

Captain A. M. A. Page, General Inspector, B.P.A.

APPENDIX VII.

BALANCE-SHEET, 1887-8.

			£	s.	d.				£	s.	d.	
Balance in Bank, 1/7/87 ...	...	...	147	17	11	Station Accounts ...	...	...	11,172	9	1
" General Inspector ...	...	...	13	6	11	Unexpended Balance of Vote—	...	...		
" Mr. Shaw ...	...	...	1	11	5	Subdivision No. 1 ...	£50	0	0		
" Mr. Goodall ...	...	...	6	9	0	" 2 ...	0	3	7		
Produce, &c. ...	...	...	223	3	7	" 3 ...	4	3	6		
Vote—1	1,090	0	0					54	7	1
" 2	196	0	0	Unexpended Balance of Special Vote		2	3	5
" 3 ...	...	...	£9,750	0	0	Balance in Bank, 30/6/88 ...	...	...	190	11	8
Sundry collections ...	...	...	11,036	0	0	" General Inspector ...	...	...	10	4	10
						" Mr. Shaw ...	...	...	0	19	3
						" Mr. Goodall ...	...	...	0	0	9
			£11,430	16	1				£11,430	16	1	

APPENDIX VIII.

ACCOUNT showing the Amounts Voted, &c., for the Aborigines and the Amounts Expended from 1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

			£	s.	d.				£	s.	d.
Balance in Bank, 1/7/87 ...	...	...	147	17	11	Medical attendance, medicines, &c. ...	...	...	442	18	4
" in hands of General Inspector ...	...	...	13	6	11	Seeds ...	...	...	60	14	10
" Mr. Shaw ...	...	...	1	11	5	Permanent improvements ...	...	...	918	8	11
" Mr. Goodall ...	...	...	6	9	0	Hardware ...	...	...	111	16	1
Sale of produce, &c. ...	...	...	223	3	7	Stock ...	...	...	1,476	12	8
Vote 1887-8—	...	...				Superintendent, Coranderrk ...	...	...	160	0	0
Subdivision No. 1 ...	£1,090	0	0			Teacher, Coranderrk ...	...	...	160	0	0
" 2 ...	196	0	0			Matron ...	...	...	65	0	0
" 3 ...	9,750	0	0			Stores, clothing, provisions, &c., including carriage ...	...	...	5,365	8	4
			11,036	0	0	Hop-growing, Coranderrk ...	...	...	346	9	5
Sundry collections ...	...	...	2	7	3	Wages to Blacks other than in hop ground, Coranderrk ...	...	...	257	16	3
						Expenses in cultivation other than hops ...	...	...	111	10	9
						Board, lodging, and travelling expenses (Aborigines) ...	...	...	64	0	1
						Travelling expenses (Members of Board) ...	...	...	28	9	9
						Blacksmith's work ...	...	...	54	11	8
						Stationery, school-books, &c. ...	...	...	50	12	3
						Harness, saddlery ...	...	...	21	4	3
						Insurance ...	...	...	32	4	6
						Salary, General Inspector and Secretary ...	...	...	450	0	0
						Rent of office (including fires and caretaker) ...	...	...	102	15	8
						Travelling expenses, General Inspector and Secretary ...	...	...	141	8	4
						Manager, Framlingham ...	...	...	270	0	0
						Teacher, Framlingham ...	...	...	80	0	0
						Matron, Condah ...	...	...	9	0	0
						Junior Messenger—Salary ...	...	...	50	16	5
						Funerals ...	...	...	13	15	0
						Law expenses ...	...	...	17	2	0
						Safe ...	...	...	17	10	0
						Grant to Mr. Shaw ...	...	...	30	0	0
						Horse-feed ...	...	...	12	2	0
						Travelling expenses, Mr. Goodall ...	...	...	0	19	0
						Furniture ...	...	...	30	12	1
						Jubilee expenses ...	...	...	16	14	0
						Local Guardian, Swan Hill ...	...	...	20	0	0
						Firewood ...	...	...	12	15	0
						Rewards ...	...	...	2	0	0
						Grant to General Inspector ...	...	...	75	0	0
						Compensation to Mr. Goodall for damage of furniture in moving from Framlingham to Coranderrk and back ...	...	...	20	0	0
						Services entire horse ...	...	...	4	0	0
						Donation Hospital, Swan Hill ...	...	...	10	0	0
						Advertising ...	...	...	1	16	0
						Bullock dray, Lake Tyers ...	...	...	32	7	6
						Hire of horse for police, Lake Tyers ...	...	...	1	13	0
						Books for library, Condah ...	...	...	5	0	0
						Repairing buggy, Coranderrk ...	...	...	12	0	0
						Clerical assistance ...	...	...	2	2	0
						Clipping horses ...	...	...	2	0	0
						Sundries ...	...	...	1	3	0
						Unexpended balance of vote ...	£54	7	1		
						" (special) ...	2	3	5		
									56	10	6
						Balance in Bank, 30/6/88 ...	...	...	190	11	8
						" in hands of General Inspector ...	...	...	10	4	10
						" Mr. Shaw ...	...	...	0	19	3
						" Mr. Goodall ...	...	...	0	0	9
			£11,430	16	1				£11,430	16	1

NOTE.—The proceeds of all produce from Coranderrk are paid into the Treasury.

I certify that the Balance-sheet for the year ended 30th June, 1888, has been examined and found correct.

Audit Office,
Melbourne, 15th December, 1888.T. W. JACKSON,
Commissioner of Audit.

APPENDIX IX.

ACCOUNT showing the Amount Received from and the Amounts Expended on Coranderrk from
1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Balance	...	2,660	15	1	Manager	...	160	0	0
					Teacher	...	160	0	0
					Matron	...	65	0	0
					Medical attendance, medicines, &c.	...	61	7	1
					Provisions, &c.	...	492	13	5
					Clothing	...	308	3	6
					Hardware	...	56	1	7
					Wages, re hops	...	267	10	2
					Other expenses, re hops	...	78	19	3
					Wages to Blacks other than in hop plantation	...	194	16	5
					Carriage of stores	...	93	8	10
					Harness, saddlery, &c.	...	9	7	9
					Travelling expenses (Aborigines)	...	9	4	5
					Stock	...	428	7	1
					Permanent improvements	...	128	15	1
					Insurance	...	26	18	6
					Blacksmith's work	...	31	19	9
					Stationery	...	8	11	0
					Coffins	...	3	15	0
					Seeds	...	29	9	4
					Grant to Mr. Shaw	...	30	0	0
					Jubilee expenses	...	5	12	0
					Repairing buggy	...	12	0	0
					Services entire horse	...	4	0	0
		£2,660	15	1			£2,660	15	1

NOTE.—The proceeds of all produce from this Station is paid into the Treasury.

APPENDIX X.

ACCOUNT showing the Amounts Received from and the Amounts Expended on Framlingham from
1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Balance	...	2,560	7	0	Manager	...	270	0	0
					Teacher	...	80	0	0
					Medical attendance, medicines, &c.	...	162	7	4
					Provisions, &c.	...	652	14	1
					Clothing	...	291	15	11
					Wages to Blacks	...	51	7	1
					Carriage of stores	...	6	1	3
					Cultivation	...	25	18	0
					Permanent improvements	...	457	18	0
					Stock	...	480	10	10
					Rewards	...	2	0	0
					Insurance	...	5	11	0
					Blacksmith's work	...	22	11	11
					Stationery	...	8	9	6
					Furniture (compensation for damage)	...	20	0	0
					Seeds	...	20	7	7
					Hardware	...	21	1	6
					Saddlery, &c.	...	9	11	0
					Travelling expenses, Mr. Goodall	...	0	19	0
					" Aborigines	...	9	6	0
					Horse feed	...	12	2	0
		£2,560	7	0			£2,560	7	0

APPENDIX XI.

ACCOUNT showing the Amounts Received from and the Amounts Expended on Lake Condah
from 1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
Proceeds sale of wool	...	150	0	11	Matron	...	9	0	0
Balance	...	1,437	0	5	Medical attendance, medicines, &c.	...	63	11	1
					Provisions, &c.	...	497	8	4
					Clothing	...	312	8	10
					Carriage of stores	...	90	8	5
					Improvements	...	169	0	0
					Stock	...	433	13	11
					Seeds	...	2	5	9
					Hardware	...	4	5	0
					Books for library	...	5	0	0
		£1,587	1	4			£1,587	1	4

APPENDIX XII.

ACCOUNT showing the Amounts Received from and the Amounts Expended on Lake Wellington
from 1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Balance	...	474	7	10	Medical attendance, medicines, &c.	...	16	16	0
					Provisions, &c.	...	239	11	2
					Clothing	...	169	2	8
					Carriage of stores	...	13	14	8
					Improvements	...	23	13	10
					Jubilee expenses	...	11	2	0
					Travelling expenses (Blacks)	...	0	7	6
		£474	7	10			£474	7	10

APPENDIX XIII.

ACCOUNT showing the Amounts Received from and the Amounts Expended on Lake Tyers from
1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Balance	...	852	9	9	Medical attendance, medicines, &c.	...	33	15	10
					Provisions, &c.	...	421	8	2
					Clothing	...	227	7	0
					Carriage of stores	...	17	1	6
					Permanent improvements	...	9	12	3
					Stock	...	94	15	10
					Hardware	...	2	2	0
					Seeds	...	8	12	2
					Travelling expenses (Blacks)	...	3	14	6
					Bullock dray	...	32	7	6
					Hire of horse for police	...	1	13	0
		£852	9	9			£852	9	9

APPENDIX XIV.

ACCOUNT showing the Amounts Received from and the Amounts Expended on Lake Hindmarsh
from 1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
Proceeds sale of wool, &c.	...	62	12	8	Medical attendance, medicines, &c.	...	74	8	6
Balance	...	1,026	15	8	Provisions, &c.	...	409	18	2
					Clothing	...	174	19	9
					Carriage of stores	...	82	9	2
					Improvements	...	126	14	9
					Stock	...	94	5	0
					Law expenses	...	2	2	0
					Harness	...	2	5	6
					Hardware	...	25	0	0
					Wages	...	11	12	9
					Cultivation	...	85	12	9
		£1,089	8	4			£1,089	8	4

APPENDIX XV.

ACCOUNT showing the Amounts Received from and the Amounts Expended on Melbourne from
1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance	979	7	11	General Inspector and Secretary, salary ...	450	0	0
				Junior messenger	50	16	5
				Rent of office, fires, and caretaker	102	15	8
				Clothing	2	4	9
				Stationery, &c.	38	11	9
				Board and lodging (Blacks)	38	12	2
				Travelling expenses (Board)	28	9	9
				" " (General Inspector)	141	8	4
				Safe	17	10	0
				Clipping horses	2	0	0
				Grant to General Inspector	75	0	0
				Advertising	1	16	0
				Clerical assistance	2	2	0
				Hardware... .. .	1	6	0
				Furniture	30	12	1
				Sundries	1	8	0
	£979	7	11		£979	7	11

APPENDIX XVI.

STATEMENT of Total Cost of Clothing, Provisions, &c. (including Transport thereof), Paid for the
use of the Aborigines, from 1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

	£	s.	d.
Coranderrk	894	5	8
Framlingham	950	11	3
Lake Condah	900	5	7
Lake Wellington	422	8	6
Lake Tyers	665	16	8
Lake Hindmarsh	667	7	1
Melbourne	2	4	9
Swan Hill and District	501	19	8
Apsley	68	7	8
Casterton	26	19	6
Echuca	99	11	2
Wangaratta	60	3	2
Colac	2	9	9
Koondrook	84	3	5
Beaufort	18	14	6
	£5,365	8	4

APPENDIX XVII.

STATION AND DEPÔTS ACCOUNTS.

	£	s.	d.
Coranderrk	2,660	15	1
Framlingham	2,560	7	0
Lake Condah	1,587	1	4
Lake Wellington	474	7	10
Lake Tyers	852	9	9
Lake Hindmarsh	1,089	8	4
Melbourne	979	7	11
Swan Hill and District	569	0	8
Apsley	68	7	8
Casterton	49	11	6
Echuca	116	1	2
Wangaratta	60	3	2
Colac	2	9	9
Koondrook... .. .	84	3	5
Beaufort	18	14	6
	£11,172	9	1

APPENDIX XVIII.

TABULAR STATEMENT of the Amounts Paid for each Station from 1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

Station.	Salaries.	Wages to Aborigines.	Provisions.	Clothing.	Improvements.	Hardware.	Medical Attendance, &c.	Stock.	Other Expenses.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Coranderk ...	385 0 0	401 2 9	444 8 8	308 3 5	128 15 1	56 1 7	61 7 1	423 7 1	452 9 5	2,660 15 1
Framlingham ...	350 0 0	51 7 1	550 12 10	291 15 11	457 13 0	21 1 6	162 7 4	430 10 10	244 18 6	2,560 7 0
Lake Condah ...	9 0 0	...	404 10 8	312 8 10	169 0 0	4 5 0	63 11 1	433 13 11	190 11 10	1,587 1 4
Lake Wellington ...	...	...	198 18 0	169 2 8	23 13 10	...	16 16 0	...	65 17 4	474 7 10
Lake Tyers ...	...	...	381 12 2	227 7 0	9 12 3	2 2 0	33 15 10	94 15 10	103 4 8	852 9 9
Lake Hindmarsh ...	...	11 12 9	409 18 2	174 19 9	126 14 9	25 0 0	74 8 6	94 5 0	225 19 4	1,089 8 4

NOTE.—The Missionaries on the Mission Stations are paid by their respective Committees, and the Teachers by the Education Department.

APPENDIX XIX.

BOARD FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE ABORIGINES.

The Hon. the Chief Secretary, *Chairman.*

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Office: City Bank Chambers.

DISTRIBUTION of Stores Paid for, for the use of the Aborigines, by the Board from 1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.

Name of Station.	Blankets.	Shirts, Serge.	Shirts, Twill,	Shirts, Twill,	Shirts, Twill,	Trousers.	Vds. Winney.	Vds. Paid.	Vds. Print, &c.	Vds. Flannel.	Vds. Serge.	Vds. Shirting.	Vds. Shirting.	Vds. Moleskin.	Pairs Boots.	Hose and Half	Hose.	Dresses.	Chemises.	Waistcoats.	Vds. Calico.	Flour.	Tea.	Rice.	Sugar.	Tobacco.	Outmeal.	Salt.	Soap.	Candles.	Kerosene.	Meat.	Sundries.
Coranderrk ...	42 ...	108 ...	54 ...	283 ...	60 ...	612 ...	96 ...	127 ...	122 ...	146 ...	284 ...	...	...	...	66 ...	432 ...	2 ...	10 ...	1,200 ...	12 ...	0 ...	0 ...	19 ...	...	15 ...	33 ...	20 ...	450 ...	56 ...	...	...	...	123 yds. forfar, 1 yd. muslin, 10 yds. alpaca, 2 yds. crape, 66 coats, 12 quilts, 50 yds. linen tick, 107 yds. dimity, 41 yds. huckaback, 204 yds. union check, 60 flannel slips, 96 hats, 7 doz. combs, 12 yds. tabling, 42 yds. holland, 1 carpet, 2 grs. mending, $\frac{3}{4}$ grs. thimbles, 2 grs. needles, 2 grs. hooks and eyes, 12 pcs. ribbon, 1 grs. laces, 3 cwt. 27 lbs. cur-rants, 2 cwt. 11 lbs. raisins, 1 cwt. 1 qr. treacle. 89 lbs. butter, 7,706 $\frac{1}{2}$ loaves bread, 28 lbs. coffee, 1 grs. blue, 14 lbs. cocoa, 1 cwt. sago, 20 lbs. arrowroot, 120 lbs. maizena, 1 tin lollies, 4 boxes blacking, 2 doz. starch, 7 cwt. 2 grs. 18 lbs. w. soda, 1 grs. matches, 2 gals. vinegar, 18 lbs. biscuits, 1 bot. brandy, 3 bots. port wine, 1 bot. peppermint, 68 hd. cattle, 5 sheep, 2 horses, 10 cwt. rock salt, 420 seed barley, 10 bus. bran, 50 bus. oats, 4 tons 2 cwt. 2 grs. 21 lbs. potatoes, 19 cwt. G. C. iron, 42 lbs. screws, 12 lbs. washers, 8 cwt. wire nails, 3 punches 1 11-ft. gate, 16 lgths. rigging, 4 cwt. w. lead, 14 lbs. r. lead, 5 gals. r. oil, 5 gals. b. oil, $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt. b. umber, 8 gals. turps, 30 lbs. glue, 7 paint brushes, 2 sash tools, 1 w. w. brush, 8 doz. shts. glass, 1 cwt. 2 grs. 10 lbs. whiting, 2 doz. lamp chimneys, 48 pr. hinges, 2 augers, 1 trowel, 2,000 nop poles, 5 cwt. 3 grs. 2 lbs. coke, 1 bar sulphur, 50 woolpacks, 1 qr. 14 lbs. manilla rope, 50 yds. hessian, 4 tons super-phosphates, 1 ton bone dust, 14,059 ft. timber, 4 hammers, 1 ton fencing wire, 1 brace and bits, 6 axes, 18 axe handles, 1 grs. clothes pins, 12 Am. brooms, 6 bass brooms, 6 sets shoe brushes, 12 scrub brushes, 12 tomahawks, 20 lbs. galv. spikes, 1 wire strainer, 24 spoons, 4 knives, 1 saw, 6 rakes, 1 fender, 1 set fire-irons, 2 shovels, 6 cl. pans, 6 garden spades, 2 buckets, 1 dipper, 2 milk dishes, 2 prs. candlesticks, 8 sqs. g. paper, 200 palings, 6 pr. plough lines, 6 scythe stones, 6 files, 2 pr. scissors, 2 hatters, 1 lantern, 2 auger bits, 1 grindstone and mountings, 2 winkers, 2 pr. trace chains, 2 bridles, 2 pr. stirrup leathers, 6 tins axle grease, 16 bgs. lime, 2 coffins, 4 pkts. tacks, 1 bible, 1 prayer book, 2 doz. hymn books, 11 doz. fireworks, 2 flasks powder, 2 foot-balls, 18 boxes slate pencils, 1 bot. gum, 2 grs. pen holders, 3 doz. slates, 42 R. readers, 4 doz. ex. books, 8 doz. copy books, 1 box chalk, 1 gal. ink, 8 boxes pens, 10 quires note paper.

APPENDIX XX.—Distribution of Stores, &c.—continued.

Name of Station.	Blankets.	Serge Shirts.	Shirts, Twill.	Trousers.	Yds. Wincey.	Yds. Plaid.	Yds. Print, &c.	Yds. Flannel.	Yds. Serge.	Yds. Shirting.	Yds. Skirting.	Yds. Moleskin.	Pairs Boots.	Hose and Half-hose.	Dresses.	Chemises.	Waistcoats.	Yds. Calico.	Flour.	Tea.	Rice.	Sugar.	Tobacco.	Oatmeal.	Salt.	Soap.	Candles.	Kerosene.	Meat.	Sundries.				
Framlingham ...	56 ...	90 ...	70 ...	504	384	125 ...	215	147 ...	185	51 ...	416 ...	17 13 3	1,120	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	24 300	16 0 0	16 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	225	64	...	3 pcs. ribbon, 74 yds. tweed, 51 coats, 95 hats, 1 grs. cotton, 1 grs. hooks and eyes, 1 grs. needles, 4 doz. flowers, 100 lbs. coffee, 35 lbs. cocoa, 200 lbs. maizena, 4 cwt. 1 qr. currants, 2 cwt. 2 qrs. 2 lbs. raisins, 4 cwt. sago, 5 doz. eggs, 10 lbs. butter, 2 tins lollies, 18 bots. brandy, 12 bots. wine, 518 sheep, 52 hd. cattle, 2 horses, 74 fruit trees, 5 tons potatoes, 88 bus. seed oats, 2 tons chaff, 24 bus. oats (feed), 6 cwt. 3 qrs. 7 lbs. wire nails, 12 locks, 14 sqs. glass, 2 lbs. putty, 7 gates, 57 lbs. spikes, 3 prs. sashes, 1 chisel, 1 mallet, 1 level, 8 padlocks, 28 prs. hinges, 118 lbs. sht. lead, 1 cross-cut saw, 10 shts. zinc, 1 rule, 1 ton fencing wire, 3 tins umber, 1 gal. turps, 10 shts. glass paper, 8 gals. varnish, 21 lbs. size, 6 pt. brushes, 5 door knobs, 1 knocker, 2 prs. finger plates, 1 mantelpiece, 1 kitchen range, 4 sets china furniture, 1 door frame, 2 prs. trusses, 2 knots sash-cord, 8 sash-weights, 7 doors, 1 centre, 3 rollers, 16 lbs. cement, 11 shade rollers, 206 shts. G. C. iron, 19 lbs. hoop-iron, 2 augers, 1 saw set, 12 axes, 12 axe handles, 4 scythe blades, 3 saws, 3 scythe stones, 3 shovels, 6 spades, 1 hammer, 1 plane, 13 hearthstones, 300 r. bricks, 25 lgths. ridging, 40 lbs. washers, 36 lbs. screws, 6 scrub axes, 1 tool basket, 1 doz. tape, 3 buckets, 1 mail bag, 3 milk dishes, 2 foot-rot knives, 1 set butchers' knives, 109 yds. hessian, 2 100 balls, 15 ft. moulding, 34 1/2 ft. timber, 400 palings, 2,500 posts, schoolmaster's desk, form, and stool.			
Lake Condah ...	18	96 220 105 595 192 ...	307 ...	65	185 384 ...	48 384 ...	18 0 0	1,144	6 2 0	115 3 17 268	4 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	16 0 0	1,250	16	...	60 yds. union check, 124 yds. holland, 78 handkerchiefs, 30 ulsters, 2 grs. hooks and eyes, 13 grs. buttons, 2 grs. needles, 72 coats, 1 1/2 grs. cotton, 1 box flowers, 5 pcs. ribbon, 8 doz. combs, 1 1/2 grs. thimbles, 3 jet trimmings, 2 grs. laces, 186 hats, 1 cwt. 2 qrs. 3 lbs. currants, 1 cwt. 22 lbs. raisins, 24 lbs. lollies, 25 lbs. hops, 1 doz. wine, 6 bots. brandy, 56 lbs. sago, 52 books, 1 gal. olive oil, 500 sheep, 31 hd. cattle, 2,450 ft. timber, 6 spades, 72 pannikins, 48 tin billies, 6 lbs. ass. seeds.	
Lake Wellington ...	30 ...	74	32 169 105 110 80 ...	22	77 78 65 ...	6 176 ...	7 0 0	540	5 0 0	49 0 20 90	10 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	100	40	...	1 grs. laces, 192 yds. linen, 20 yds. huckaback, 30 yds. forfar, 12 towels, 37 coats, 2 grs. buttons, 2 grs. cotton, 4 doz. combs, 54 hats, 3 pcs. ribbon, 6 doz. handkerchiefs, 1 box flowers, 26 doz. pastry, 26 cakes, 1 gun, 24 flks. powder, 12 boxes caps, 1 bg. shot, 5 doz. tins fish, 1 cricket set, 15 gal. oil, 3 cwt. w. lead, 1 gal. varnish, 1 ton fencing wire, 4 cwt. barb wire.

Lake Tyers	20	78	96	398	50	218	144	10	252	...	72	156	...	84	469	3	10	0	680	4	0	2	64	1	17	118	2	2	20	6	1	12	6	2	24	75	24	160
Lake Hindmarsh	50	60	84	162	86	216	144	49	38	56	36	71	...	24	298	5	15	0	1,015	6	2	0	75	3	10	184	5	0	8	...	9	0	0	225	48	...		
Swan Hill	189	100	79	36	...	37	48	...	...	...	...	...	52	71	87	2	2	0	242	...	...	...	25	1	6	210	...	...	...	...	4	1	22	...	...	...
Apsley	9	5	10	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	8	...	1	10	0	90	...	...	...	7	1	21	57	...	...	...	...	1	0	0	...	...	...
Beaufort	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	0	9	0	54	...	...	...	4	8	5	32	7	lb.	...	...	0	1	18	...	...	...
Casterton	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Colac	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Echuca	50	18	36	18	57	27	27	
Koondrook	29	...	38	19	11	22	19	
Wangaratta	15	...	10	5	30	5	10	5	30	6	0	76	

1 grs. laces, 85 yds. holland, 80 hats, 12 doz. combs, 3 grs. needles, 3 grs. braid, 5,750 leaves bread, 420 lbs. treacle, 6 lbs. coffee, 4 doz. cakes, 40 lbs. cake, 14 lbs. lollies, 12 tins fish, 24 lbs. biscuits, 200 sheep, 1 ton seed potatoes, 300 ft. timber, 10 gal. r. oil, 10 gal. b. oil, 2 cwt. 2 qrs. w. lead, 7 lbs. rope, 6 files, 1 traveller, 15 sqs. glass, 1 rule, 1 cwt. nails, 1 saw set, 1 bullock-dray, 3 yokes, 2 chains and hooks, 1 doz. bullock-keys.

42 yds. holland, 29 yds. linen, 1 grs. laces, 30 hats, 3 grs. cotton, 1 box roses, 3 pcs. ribbon, 34 yds. dress serge, 24 coats, 6 doz. combs, 1 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lbs. currants, 1 cwt. 16 lbs. raisins, 14 lbs. biscuits, 14 lbs. lollies, 56 lbs. maizena, 118 lbs. sago, 25 lbs. hops, 3 cwt. 1 qr. treacle, 48 axe handles, 3 cwt. peas, 6 bots. brandy, 6 bots. wine, 1 h. shovel, 6 axes, 6 spades, 18 tomahawks, 12 Am. brooms, 12 scrub brushes, 4 rakes, 4 water-cans, 48 billies, 60 pannikins, 1 brace, 13 bits, 5 bots. s. oil, 3 augers, 1 screw-wrench, 1 pr. hames, 4 tons fencing wire, 300 sheep, 22 hd. cattle, 6 woolpacks, 9 lbs. twine, 2 needles, 1 pr. shears, 8 lbs. rope, 1 dekt. tacks, 51 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lbs. potatoes, 21 pr. hinges, 2 flood gates, 1 gal. turpentine, 14 cwt. w. lead, 9 gals. oil, 1 pt. knotting, 28 lbs. dryers, 2 lbs. amber, 3 lbs. sienna, 3 lbs. glue, 20 lbs. putty, 4 gals. varnish, 4 brushes, 72 sqs. glass, 33 lbs. nails, 4 straps, 4 padlocks, 4 lbs. screws, 8 bolts, 1 plough chain, 555 ft. timber, 1 bot. sps. salts, 7 bots. linseed oil, 16 lbs. whitening, 1 set wedges, 3 tanks, 3 doz. rabbit traps.

52 handkerchiefs, 48 skirts, 103 flannel slips, 79 coats, 92 hats, 80 tons firewood, 1 scale and weights.

4 skirts, 18 flannel slips, 5 hats.

35 doz. matches, 1 knife, 18 pipes, 1 billycan, 1 pr. slippers, 1 coffin.

27 skirts, 60 flannel slips, 19 hats, 19 coats, 11 skirts, 14 slips, 11 hdkfs. 1 petticoat, 5 coats, 5 hats, 20 flannel slips, 5 handkerchiefs, 5 skirts, 1 grs. needles, 3 lbs. thread, 7 doz. buttons.