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## THIRTY-FOURTH REPORT

THE BOARD

FOR THE

# PROTECTION OF THE ABORIGINES.

PRESENTED TO BOTH HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND.

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## REPORT.

Melbourne, 13th October, 1898.

## MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

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The Board for the Protection of Aborigines have the honour to submit for Your Excellency's consideration this, their Thirty-fourth Report on the state and condition of the Aborigines of Victoria, together with reports from managers of stations and statements of accounts for the last financial year, &c., &c.

- 1. The Board have held twelve ordinary and two special meetings during the past year.
- 2. The number of Aborigines and half-castes under certificates belonging to the different stations and depôts has been as follows:—

Coranderrk	•					
	***	•••	***	•••	• • •	 85
Condah	•••	•••		•••	***	 75
Ebenezer	•••	•••		•••	***	 57
Framlingham			•••		•••	 29
Lake Tyers	•••	***	•••	•••	***	 65
Ramahyuck	•••	•••	•••	•••	***	 75
Orphanage and	l industrial s	chools	***		•••	 16
Depôts	•••	•••	•••		***	 77
	Total	•••	•••	•••	***	 479

3. The returns of marriages, births, and deaths, throughout the colony give the following particulars:—

<b>.</b>				Marriage	<b>6.</b>	Birthe		Deaths.
Coranderrk	•••		***	1		3	•••	3
Condah	***	•••		l	•••	•••		3
Ebenezer	•••	•••	•••			1	•••	4
Framlingham		•••			•••			
Lake Tyers	***	•••	•••		•	3	•••	1
Ramahyuck	***	***		l		3	• • •	2
Depôts	•••	***	•••	***	•••	•••	•••	9
				_		_		_
	Total	•••	•••	3		10		22
								_

Decrease during the year, 12.

- 4. The Board have at all times most carefully distributed the supplies of rations, clothes, blankets, and other comforts, with medical attendance, to the Aborigines and those half-castes who were in need, in compliance with the regulations under the Act. Special and unforescen cases requiring assistance have always received prompt attention from the Board's agents or the General Inspector during his periodical visits.
- 5. Regular visits of inspection by the General Inspector, frequently accompanied by members of the Board, have been made to all the stations and depôts during the year, and the beneficial results of these visits have been specially noticed in the improved discipline among the people.
- 6. Whilst the Board faithfully adhere to their rule that all able-bodied Aborigines shall do a fair amount of work for the supplies granted to them by the Government, they find that the results from such labour are gradually decreasing through the diminishing numbers and failing strength of the older Aborigines.
- 7. In connexion with the steady decrease of the Blacks at the various stations, and the merging of the half-castes with the general population of the colony (240 having already been so dealt with), the Board desire again to state that the amalgamation of several stations should ere long be carried out. It is proposed that full inquiry be made by the Board at several stations before taking any such steps, so that no hardship should come to any Blacks by the carrying out of that policy.

8. Whilst the Board at all times have liberally supplied the wants of the Blacks, they desire to state that the amount annually granted by Parliament has been greatly reduced since the passing of the Act for merging the half-castes, and the constant decrease of the pure Aborigines, which will be observed by the following particulars:—

STATEMENTS OF AMOUNTS VOTED BY PARLIAMENT FROM 1887 TO 1897-8.

Year.	Amount voted by Parliament.	Total amount expended, inclusive of proceeds from Produce.	Amount Lapsed.	Revenue Paid into the Treasury.			
	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			
1887-88	11,036	11,172 9 1	54 7 1	851 0 4			
1888-89	11,003	11,366 13 3	54 7 9	945 11 9			
1889-90	10,000	10,476 1 10	239 16 11	317 13 5			
1890-91	8,883	6,692 4 5	190 15 7	1,061 3 5			
1891-92	7,800	6,745 6 7	$1,154 \ 13 \ 5$	1,124 1 3			
1892-93	6,788	6,057 10 10	1,208 19 7	487 0 3			
1893-94	5,600	6,091 1 6	3 12 2	414 2 8			
1894-95	5,630	5,864 3 10	114 0 3	560 15 <b>4</b>			
1895-96	5,501	5,812 11 4	41  2  9	409 10 6			
189697	5,497	5,913 15 9	89 12 7	442 11 7			
1897-98	5,515	5,989 8 10	63 - 5 - 2	215 10 0			

9. The following table gives particulars (1) of the total expenditure on each station,\* (2) the net income of each, and † (3) the actual cost of each:—

1897-8.

Name of Station.			Total Expenditures.			Net I	Net Income.		Actual Cost.		
			£	8.	d.	£	<b>s</b> .	d.	£	ε.	đ.
Coranderrk	***		1,306	2	11	206	5	0	1,099	17	0
Condah	•••		746	7	10	286	12	0	1,032	14	10
Ebenezer	•••		583	7	9	46	6	1 1	628	2	4
Framlingham	•••		392	1	8 !	9	0	o l	382	1	8
Ramahyuck			768	0	5	92	16	3	870	16	- 8
Lake Tyers			498	14	7	42	7	9	541	<b>2</b>	- 6
Melbourne and 10			1,156	19	8			1	1,156	19	8

All station accounts are duly audited at the end of each financial year.
 All income from Coranderrk and Framlingham is paid into the Treasury.

- 10. The approximate cost per head per annum, including everything, is about £10 8s., or 4s. per week.
- 11. The quantity of 9,700 acres of good land from the reserves at Coranderrk, Framlingham, Condah, Dergholm, Ramahyuck, and Lake Tyers, having been handed back to the Department of Lands, the income from that source has been considerably reduced, as will be observed from the reports of managers of stations. The remaining reserves in care of the Board are as follows:—

Coranderrk		 2,400 acres	Ramahyuek	•••	810 acres
Condah	• • •	 2,000 ,,	Framlingham	• • •	548 "
Ebenezer		 3,600 ,,	Colac		40 "
Lake Tyers		 4.000	Lake Moodemere		8

12. The Board have again the pleasure to state that in the matter of education and moral and religious training of the children good progress has been made, as will be observed from the reports of manager of stations, in reply to questions issued by the Board on the subjects which come under their consideration.

I have the honour to be,

Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

ALBERT A. C. LE SOUEF,

His Excellency

Vice-Chairman.

The Right Honorable Lord Brassey, K.C.B.,

&c., &c., &c.

## APPENDICES.

### APPENDIX I.

Sir.

Coranderrk Aboriginal Station, 1st July, 1898.

I have the honour to forward you my Annual Report of this station, and of the Aborigines connected with it, dating from 1st July, 1897, to 30th June, 1898.

1. The number of Aborigines resident on the station for each month during the year has been as follows:—

		1897	7.						1898.			
		High	est Numbe	er. Lov	rest Number				High	est Number.	Lov	vest Number.
July		***	71		70	1	January	***		77	•••	70
August		•	72		70		February			80		76
September	• • • •		72		70		March		• • • •	77		72
October		***	74	***	72		April			74	***	74
November			72		72	. :	May		***	70		67
December			75	•••	73	1	June	• • •	***	74	•••	70

#### 2. Table of Births.

Date,	Name.					Parents' Nam	Colour.	
24th September, 1897 2nd October, 1897 16th October, 1897	Rochford  Eda  Peter		,		М. F. М.	Christina Robinson Woodford Robinson   Eliza Fenton   Thomas Fenton   Betsy Foster   Edward Foster	::: } ::: }	Black, Black, Black.

#### DEATHS.

Date.	Name.	Sex.	Age.	Cause of Death.	Colour.
28th January, 1898 21st March, 1898 10th April, 1898	Margaret Purcell	F.	50 years	Phthisis and debility Cancer, &c Septic poisoning	Black, Half-caste, Black,

#### MABRIAGE.

On the 23rd April, 1898, Kate Hammond and Thomas Johnson were married by the Rev. Pastor Herlitz.

3. Religious services have been regularly held for the people, and have been generally well attended, as also has the Sunday school for the children.

4. The day school is still under the control of the Education Department, and the progress and results are very satisfactory.

5. The quantity of ground belonging to the station is about 2,000 acres, and is subdivided into twelve paddocks varying from 4 to 300 acres in size. About 40 acres are generally cultivated every year, and the produce consists of wheat, oats, potatoes, and hops, &c.

The hop crop this year was very poor, owing to the long continued hot and dry weather.

6. The kinds and number of stock are as follows:—Cows, 45; heifers, 69; steers, 65; bulls, 2; working bullocks, 8; horses, 16; total, 205.

Some twelve or fourteen cows are generally milked during the year for the use of the whole station. Twenty-eight steers and 5 cows were killed for food; I steer, I cow, I bull, and 2 calves, and also a few tons of potatoes were sold, realizing altogether £30 4s., which amount, together with £176 1s. from sale of hops, was, as usual, paid into the the Treasury.

of hops, was, as usual, paid into the the Treasury.

7. The number of buildings on the station is the same as last year, namely 25, nineteen of which are always occupied by the natives, and are generally well and cleanly kept, and two or three of them are nicely adorned with pictures. The other buildings consist of the manager's and teacher's houses, church, school, and store, &c.

8. The men are employed, less or more, in farm and hop-garden work, all the year round, and the women in basket-making and the usual and necessary domestic work. The bigger boys and girls are also encouraged to work and make themselves useful when out of school.

9. A few only of the blacks now hunt for native game, as they are regularly supplied with boef

or mutton from the station.

10. Occasionally some of the blacks obtain intoxicating drink, but they are always discouraged in the use of it, and Europeans are punished whenever found supplying them with it.

11. There are no half-castes here coming under the operation of the Act, nor are any residing here under certificates from the Board.

12. The usual supply of stores and clothing has been good and satisfactory, and, on behalf of the blacks and myself, I have much pleasure in tendering you and the Board our very best thanks.

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

The Rev. F. A. Hagenauer, Secretary and General Inspector, Board for Protection of Aborigines, Melbourne.

JOSEPH SHAW.

#### APPENDIX II.

SIR.

Mission Station, Lake Condah, 11th August, 1898.

With reference to the year ending 30th June, 1898, I have the honour to report that-

- 1. The attendance of Aborigines during the year was-Lowest number, 44; highest number, 56; total, 75.
  - 2. Births: Nil. Marriages: 1, viz., Thomas McCallum, full black, to Ellen Mullett, widow.

#### DEATHS.

Name.	Colour.	Cause of Death,	Age.
	Black Black	Tubercular peritonitis Chronic bronchitis and dila- tation of heart	6 years. 56 years.

3. Daily morning and evening prayers, and church service twice on Sundays, also Sunday school in the afternoon, have been kept regularly during the year, and were well attended to all through, so that the knowledge of the Christian religion is deepening in the minds of the natives, and evidences of the practical application of the instruction thus imparted to them is not wanting, as their social, moral, and industrious habits are steadily improving year by year.

4. The school carried on under the Education Department by Miss Lindsay, an indefatigable

teacher, is doing well and obtains fair results.

5. The reserve consists of 2,000 acres. Fifteen acres more under cultivation with oats for hay, 10 with potatoes for the use of the people, and 5 more sown with maize and sorghum. Owing to the drought, the latter two failed entirely, the potatoes were very few and exceptionally small, though not altogether unfit for use, while the hay crops were also very short. Still we got enough hay to carry our stock through the winter, and we have even some left over. The garden yielded a considerable amount of fruit, but owing to the great heat the quality was much inferior to that of former years.

6. The stock on the station is as follows:—40 cows and heifers, 59 steers, 1 bull, 455 sheep and

lambs, and 2 rams.

7. The buildings are in a fair state of repair, and consist of church, school-house, mission-house,

teacher's house, store, stable, and seventeen cottages occupied by the Aborigines.

- 8. As I was able to sell some stock, besides getting some wattle-back stripped, and obtaining a fair price for the wool, the station income was more than in previous years, and larger than it will be again for some time to come. One cannot always strip bark, nor have stock to sell, therefore the income cannot always be the same, especially as a large amount of ment is required during the year for the natives. Indeed, to supply the latter is in itself a severe tax on our stock, and hinders its increase. Having had such a good station income, I am pleased to report that a great deal of work has been accomplished by the few remaining blacks resident here during the year. Not only has much ground been cleared from rubbish and dead timber, but a substantial fence of post, wire, and wire-netting, with barbed wire on the top, has been erected from the frontage of the lake right to the home station, a distance of almost 4 miles. This fence has not only been erected by the blacks themselves, but the greater part of the wire, &c., has been purchased from station income. Our object in creeting it was to exclude the stony land from the station reserve, and to have the fence rabbit proof. Both objects have been attained, therefore we have a better prospect of securing sufficient grass for our stock in future.
  - 9. The total income and expenditure was as below :--

<b>I</b> :	NCOME.		£	s.	đ.	Expend	1TURE	·	£	s.	d.
Cash balance 1896-7			28	9	1 է	Conoral			86	2	
Wool and bark	***		129	15	1	Stock	***		35	-0	8
Hides and skins			19	4	4	Wages			100	3	6
Stock sold			143	2	5	Wire and wire netting			49	0	0
							•••	•••	16	5	4
						Cash balance			33	18	105
Total	***	***	£320	10	ΙΙŽ	Total	• • •	***	£320	10	113
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10. All our people, youths and men, are kept at work, and though the hours of labour are short, still regularity in keeping at the work shows its effect by the station constantly improving, and the property becoming enhanced in value year by year. The principal work of the men was fencing, clearing ground, cultivating, gardening, and rearing stock (both sheep and cattle). 11. Fishing and hunting are still a matter of great importance to the blacks, and I know of no other station where they could have the same chance as ours have of obtaining fish or game in abundance in their respective seasons.

12. I am thankful to be able to say that no case of drunkenness has come under my notice among

the blacks here this year.

13. The health of the people was on the whole good, and their conduct satisfactory.

14. All the supplies for which the money was granted by a liberal Parliament, and wisely distributed by the Board for Protection of Aborigines, were good and ample, and I have much pleasure in thanking the Board for this on behalf of the Aborigines, as well as for the prompt assistance given in carrying on the often perplexing and sometimes difficult task of dealing with the Aborigines in our charge.

I desire, further, to record our special appreciation of the occasional visits of the Vice-Chairman of the Board for Aborigines, whose personal presence and interest in the people and station affairs have proved

very beneficial to the whole management.

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

The Rev. F. A. Hagenauer,

General Inspector and Secretary, B.P.A., Melbourne.

J. H. STÄHLE.

## APPENDIX III.

Sir,

Ramahyuck Mission Station, 18th July, 1898.

In reply to your request, I have the honour to forward to you my Annual Report for the past year on the state and progress of the mission work among the Aborigines under my care at this station.

1. The attendance has been as follows:-

				lighest lumber.				Lowest Numbe	
July	,,,		66	68	1 January		400	68	75
August			68	69	February	***	***	68	75
September	•••	***	66	68	March	***		67	68
October		•••	67	65	April	***		66	66
November			67	65	May			64	64
December	•••	***	67	67	June			60	67

2. (a) Marriage:-

William Bonnell, aged 33, full black, to Martha Arnott, aged 22, full black.

#### (b) BIRTHS.

	·		(0) 1311			<b>1</b>
Names.			Colour.		Date.	Name of Parents.
Francis Lawrence Moffat  Maud Alice Login		***	Black Black	11th Noven	•	Nedy Moffat   Florence Moffat   Otto Alexander Login   Alice Login
			(c) D	EATH.		
Names.			Colour.	Date of Death.	Cause.	Age.
Mrs. Martha Bonnell	•••		Black	1897. 20th October	Exhaustion	22 years.

3. Divine services have been held twice every Sunday, which were well attended by all the blacks as well as by neighbouring farmers. Morning and evening prayer, with reading short lessons from the Bible, have always been held during week days, and religious instruction has been regularly given to the children in the morning, after worship, five times a week. Sunday school has likewise been held in the usual way, and very good progress has been made in the knowledge of Scripture. Special classes for singing for both young and old have been kept as formerly, and the progress made has been remarkably good.

4. The day school, under the care of Miss Seymour, in connexion with the Department of Education, has done very well, which was shown by the very high percentage at the Inspector's last examination, and great praise is due to the teacher for the able and successful teaching bestowed on the black children.

5. As stated in former Reports, the Reserve at Ramahyuck consists now only of about 750 acres of land, which is subdivided into a number of paddocks of various sizes, in use for cultivation and for keeping stock.

6. The number of stock on the station is now about 140 head of cattle, by which all the residents are supplied with fresh meat and milk and butter. A few head of surplus stock have been sold, and the account for the same is as follows:—

	7.	INCOME.					Expenses.				
Cash balance Surplus stock Hides, &c.		•••	•••	£ 0 85 8	0	3	Wages	+1 +7	74	8. 13 3 12	d. 0 3 0
·				<b>£9</b> 3	8	3	•	4	E98	8	-

8. The number of buildings on the station is the same as last year, and all of them are in good repair. A considerable extent of fencing has been done again by the blacks, for which they receive a small amount for wages.

9. All able-bodied men have to do a certain amount of work, for which they receive monthly payments, so that they are able to supply their families with little comforts, which they could not otherwise receive, and which greatly adds to their contentment.

10. Fishing and hunting is still carried on.

11. There have been several cases of drunkenness at times when men were away from the station.
12. The state of health during the past year has been fairly good, and only one death has taken place during that time.

13. The supplies of rations and clothes have been very good and sufficient for all, for which I desire to express the best thanks to the Government and the Board.

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

> > E. HAGENAUER, Acting Manager.

The Secretary, B.P.A., Melbourne.

## APPENDIX IV.

SIR,

Mission Station, Lake Tyers, 12th August, 1898.

I have the honour to forward my Report for the year ended 30th June, 1898.

1. The daily attendance was as follows :-

		Lowest.	Highest.	;				Lowest.		llighest.
July		 42	 42	i	January	•••		49	• • •	65
August	***	 33	 41		February		• • • •	46		46
September		 34	 38	- 1	March			42		47
October		 40	 40		April		•••	30		45
November	•••	 40	 49	1	May		•••	31		31
December	•••	 45	 56	- 1	June	•••		19		28

The total number belonging to district is 58.

2. We have had no marriages.

There have been three births, as follows:-

Name.	Date.	Parente.	Colour.
Ernest  James William  Jack	23rd Soptember, 1897 8th October, 1897 30th November, 1897	Willie Johnson   Maggie Johnson   Ned O'Rourke   Eliza O'Rourke   Ellen Rivers   Father unknown	Black. Mixed blood. Mixed blood.

#### DEATHS.

Date.	Name.	Sex.	Age.	Cause of Death.	Colour.
10th January, 1898	Norman McLeod	Male	li years	Sunstroke	Black.

3. Religious services are held daily, both morning and evening. Religious instruction is also given to the children daily after morning prayers. I have to record the death of our late teacher, Mise A. S. Wall. She was a most efficient and painstaking instructor, and by her genial and kindly manner endeared herself to the Aborigines. She is succeeded by Miss Allen.

4. The quantity of land which comprises the reserve is 4,000 acres; 2,000 acres are fenced, and

about 150 acres near the station are fenced and used for grazing and cultivation.

5. The late season having been exceptionally dry, our crop of vegetables did not succeed as heretofore, however we managed to grow sufficient for a reasonable supply for the Aborigines. was very small.

6. The stock on the station comprises 66 head of mixed cattle and 397 sheep.

7. The income and expenditure is as follows:-

	INCOME.					Expx	<b>NDITUR</b>	E.			
By wool and skins Overdraft	***	•••	£ 42 102		9	Overdraft for 1896 and Wages account General expenditure	1897	•••	108 17	17	8
			£145	5	6				£145	5	-6
				_							_

8. The number of houses on the station is the same as last year.

9. The blacks have been employed in useful work, as clearing the ground of fallen timber, and cultivation.

10. The Aborigines still hunt native game, for which they are allowed two days in the week.11. The general health of the station during the year has been good; the only death, as recorded, being caused by sunstroke during the very trying month of January.

12. The clothing and other stores supplied have been quite sufficient to meet all reasonable requirements; for which I thank the Board on behalf of the Aberigines.

> I have the honour to be, Your most obedient servant,

The Secretary, Board for Protection of Aborigines.

JOHN BULMER.

#### APPENDIX V.

Lake Hindmarsh Mission Station, 21st July, 1898.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward my Annual Report for this station for the year ended 30th June.

1. The attendance of the Aborigines has been as follows:-

		1897.		.•	i	1898.			
			Lowest.	Highest.	i	.000.	Lowest.		Highest.
July			47	 48	Junuary	 	21		26
August	,		4.3	 48	February	 	23	4,,,	25
September			27	 43	March	 	26		28
October		•••	27	 33	April	 	29		31
November			33	 35	May	 ***	23		28
December			26	 34	June	 	22		33

- 2. (a) MARRIAGES: None.
- (b) BIRTHS: One.

Alexander Fenton, 17th October, 1897; father, Henry Fenton; mother, Kitty Fenton; all full black.

(c) DEATHS.

Names.		Colour.	Date of Death.	Cause.	Age.
Arthur Elliott Thomas Coombs Frank Coombs Alexander Fenton	***	Half-caste	26th July, 1897 12th August, 1897 13th June, 1898 18th June, 1898		27 years, 3 years, 6 years, 8 months,

3. Religious services are regularly held for the people living on the station on week days and Sundays, also religious instruction is given to the children both on week days and Sundays, and all the services are attended satisfactorily.

4. The day school for the children is under the control of the Education Department, and the

results are satisfactory under the tuition of Miss Tyric.

5. The quantity of land belonging to the Mission Reserve is 3,607 acres, which is fenced in by a strong post, rail, and wire fence. The land is divided into several paddocks, used for grazing and cultivation for wheat.

6. The stock on the station consists now of 4 cows, 5 calves, 2 heifors, 1 bull, 248 sheep, and 4 horses.

7. STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE.

	Inc	OMB.						EXPENDI	TORE.				
Cash balance Produce Miscellaneous Overdraft		•••	 	. 8	d. 4 1 8 7		Wages General Expenses	•••		•••		13 10	
			£53	3	8	-					£53	3	8

- 8. The number of buildings, which are mostly of stone, are thirteen in all, including church and school.
- 9. The employment of the able-bodied man consisted in preparing land for cultivation, fencing, gardening, and other work; we had also to repair nearly all the roofs of the houses destroyed by the cyclone, including the woolshed.

10. Of native game there is none, and the only fish are blackfish.

11. The habit of drinking is put down as much as possible; so if it is done, it is done on the sly.

12. The two half-caste families on the station are here by permission of the Board; nearly all the

other young men have gone away. 13. The rations and clothes received from the Board for our people have been very good and sufficient, for which I return my best thanks to you, Sir, and the Board.

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

The Secretary, B.P.A.,

Rev. F. A. Hagenauer, Melbourne.

H. P. BOGISCH.

## APPENDIX VI.

STATEMENT showing the Amounts voted for the Aborigines, and the Amounts expended from 1st July, 1897, to 30th June, 1898.

Vote 1897-8-  Division No. 17, Subdivision No. 1  "  Division No. 17, Subdivision No. 3-  Contingencies-  Medical, &c  Stores, &c  Repairs, &c  Labour, &c  Management, &c  Travelling expenses  Stationery, &c	£141 0 2,937 0 275 0 483 0 456 0	0 848 0 0 0 0 0 0		Medical attendance and medicines Stores, provisions clothing, transport, and incidentals Repairs and improvements to stations	42 1 2 40 16 6 20 9 16 74 14 5 63 16 16 5 24 16 5 6 18 10 52 6 4	2 6 0 2 0 8 9 1 5,451		10
		£5,515	- · - ·	 -		£5,515	5	- 0

ALBERT A. C. LE SOUËF, Vice-Chairman. F. A. HAGENAUER, Secretary.

Melbourne, 3rd August, 1898.

We certify that we have examined the above statement of amounts voted and expended for the year ended 30th June, 1898, and find the same to be correct.

A. MORRAH, A. W. HOWITT, Commissioners of Audit.

Audit Office, Melbourne, 30th August, 1898.

## APPENDIX VII.

STATEMENT showing the Amounts Expended on the various Stations and Depôts from 1st July, 1897, to 30th June, 1898.

Station.		Sale	aries	,		dical &c.	1,	Store	3, &c	.		pair: sc.	s,		our ke.	,	Mana Inst	and			ense		Stat	ione &c.	ry,	To	tal.	
Coranderrk		£ 308	s. 1	$\frac{d}{2}$	£ 46	8. 16	d. 0	± 550	s. 8	d. 6		s. 0	d. 0	£ 263	s. 17	d. 5		8. 16	d. 3	£	8.	đ.	£ 7	s. 3	d.	£ 1,306		d.
Framlingham	٠,		••		29	10	0	327	8	5	14	0	3		•••		21	3	0		•••					392	1	8
Lake Condah		-			6	12	0	567	14	0	<b>3</b> 8	12	10	31	10	0	100	0	0	i			1	19	0	746	7	10
Lake Wellington			••		34	16	9	518	3	6	27	10	0	84	3	8	100	0	0				3	6	6	<b>76</b> 8	0	. 6
Lake Tyers	,			Ì	9	7	1	344	16	ı	24	9	11	18	2	6	100	0	0		•••		1	19	0	498	14	. 7
Lake Hindmarsh		ļ .			13	14	8	351	9	8	50	1	2	66	3	3	100	0	0				1	19	0	583	7	
Melbourne and Depôts	10 	534	0	0		•••		260	9	8		•••		•	•••		14	4	0	239	16	9	108	9	3	1,156	19	) {
Total Expended	***	842	1	2	140	16	6	2,920	9	10	274	14	2	463	16	10	445	3	3	239	16	9	124	16	4	5,451	14	10
Amount Voted	•••	843	0	Û	141	0	0	2,937	0	0	275	0	0	483	0	0	456	0	0	250	0	0	130	0	0	5,515	0	) (
Balance Unexpend	ed	0	18	10	0	3	6	16	10	_2	0	5	10	19	3		10	16	9	10	3	3	5		 8	63		5 9

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