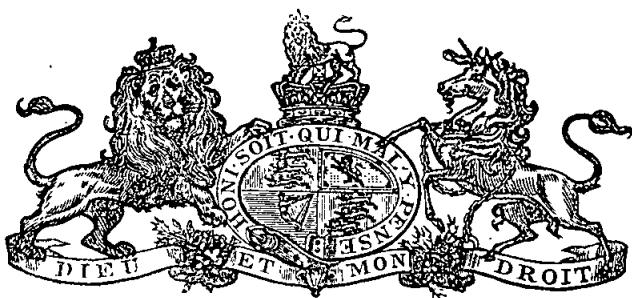


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QUARTERLY STATISTICAL ABSTRACT, TO 30TH JUNE, 1908.

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GOVERNMENT STATIST.

QUARTERLY STATISTICAL ABSTRACT, 30TH JUNE, 1908.

Population.—The estimated population on the 31st March, 1908, was 1,261,589—632,960 males 628,629 females; on the 30th June, 1908, it was 1,264,518—634,571 males, 629,947 females—thus showing an increase of 2,929 persons. The natural increase during the quarter was 4,109, and the excess of emigration was 1,180. New South Wales gained from this State 1,763 persons, Queensland 651, and Western Australia 685. Tasmania lost 1,955 persons, New Zealand 250, and South Africa 104.

Vital Statistics of the State.—Compared with the previous quarter, the marriages increased by 232 in the quarter under review; the births decreased by 120, and the deaths by 589, which gave an increase in the excess of births over deaths of 589. Of the total number of deaths (3,760), 269 were due to phthisis and 63 to other tubercular diseases; 251 to cancer; 65 to typhoid fever; and 51 to diphtheria and croup.

Vital Statistics of Melbourne, &c.—The births during the quarter numbered 3,233. This includes 36 cases of twins, and 287 illegitimate births. The deaths numbered 1,698, and the excess of births over deaths was 1,535. The deaths from diphtheria and croup numbered 22, from typhoid fever 20, and from tubercular diseases 169, as against 13, 15, and 188 respectively in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. The total deaths in Melbourne were 1,698, of whom 266 were under twelve months of age. In Ballarat, of 186 deaths, 19 were of infants; in Bendigo, 229 and 39; and in Geelong, 113 and 17 respectively. In Melbourne and Suburbs the deaths of infants under 1 year of age were 8·2 per cent. of the births—a rate higher than that of the whole State for the same period, viz., 7·4. In the four towns mentioned there were 778 deaths of people aged 65 years and upwards—or 35 per cent. of the total.

State Revenue and Expenditure.—The total revenue for the quarter was £1,963,627, a decrease of £358,876 on the corresponding quarter of the previous year—the principal sources being Railways £921,973, Income Tax £262,478, Probate Duty £97,803, Stamp Duty £54,957, and Balance of Commonwealth Revenue £326,806. The total expenditure was £1,788,082, an increase of £12,580 on that of the corresponding quarter of 1907.

Commonwealth Revenue and Expenditure in Account with the State of Victoria.—The total Commonwealth Revenue credited to this State (from returns of later date than those published for Victoria), was £812,991, as against £783,528 in the corresponding period of 1907, being an increase of £29,463 for the quarter under review. The principal sources were import duties on Stimulants and Narcotics £183,831; Apparel and Textiles, £67,584; Agricultural Products and Groceries, £49,945; Metals and Machinery, £36,129. From Excise, Spirits yielded £17,545; Beer, £37,016; Tobacco, £39,708. The total expenditure on transferred services was £294,277 (Defence, £80,375; Postmaster-General, £195,791; and Trade and Customs, £18,111), and "new" expenditure, £259,185—a total of £553,462, as against £354,547 in the corresponding quarter of 1907—an increase of £198,915.

Victorian Banking Returns.—On the 30th June the total liabilities of the banks were £38,765,259 and the assets £43,380,531, as against £39,757,849 and £41,644,791 on the 30th June, 1907. The reserves amounted to £5,658,630; paid-up capital to £13,515,831. The ratio of coin and bullion to liabilities was 19·93 per cent.

Savings Banks.—On the 30th June the amount at credit of the 511,581 depositors was £13,428,140. During the quarter 20,736 accounts were opened, and 16,586 were closed; the deposits made were £2,428,066, and the withdrawals £2,435,245.

Gold Yield.—The total yield of gold up to the end of June, 1908, is 70,301,201 ounces.

Imports and Exports.—The total value of imports into Victoria during the six months ended 30th June was £11,344,444, of which £3,532,957 was from the other States of Australia. The total exports during the same period were valued at £11,846,926, of which £5,582,808 were exported to Australian States, and the exports of Australian produce were £10,311,897.

Exports of Frozen, Preserved, and Perishable Products.—For the second quarter in 1908, the total value of these exports through Cool Stores was £193,596, of which £66,870 went to other States, £85,210 to the United Kingdom, £25,682 to South Africa, and £15,884 to Eastern and other ports. The principal exports were—Butter, valued at £75,935; Frozen Meat, £55,127; Fruit, £2,022; Milk and Cream, £9,824; Bacon and Hams, £15,337; and Frozen Rabbits and Hares, £30,841.

Miscellaneous.—In addition to the general quarterly returns there is also published in this abstract the latest statistics relating to cultivation, manufactures, &c.

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15th August, 1908.

ESTIMATED POPULATION OF VICTORIA ON 30TH JUNE, 1908.

Second Quarter, 1908.					Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Estimated Population, 31st March, 1908	...	...	...	...	...	...	632,960	628,629	1,261,589
Births	...	...	...	...	4,059	3,810			
Deaths	...	...	...	...	2,116	1,644			
Natural Increase	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,943	2,166	4,109
							634,903	630,795	1,265,698
Migration by Sea—									
Arrivals as recorded	...	...	...	...	10,623	6,555			
Departures	"	...	...	...	10,922	7,212			
Loss seawards	...	...	...	...	...	...	299	637	956
							634,604	630,138	1,264,742
Migration by Land—									
Arrivals (including allowance for unrecorded)	...	...	...	...	3,903	2,408			
Departures (including allowance for unrecorded)	...	...	...	...	3,936	2,599			
Loss by land	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	191	224
Estimated Population on 30th June, 1908 (exclusive of full-blooded aborigines)	...	...	...	...	...	...	634,571	629,947	1,264,518

MOVEMENTS OF POPULATION.

Immigration (as recorded).

Place of Departure.	Total for the Year.				Quarter ended in 1908—	
	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	31st March.	30th June.
By Sea—						
New South Wales	13,842	15,092	17,301	18,756	5,585	4,648
Queensland	2,446	2,510	2,522	3,254	915	711
South Australia	2,361	2,808	3,140	3,440	1,181	657
Western Australia	7,882	8,936	10,159	10,389	3,001	1,539
Tasmania	19,742	24,310	26,150	27,483	10,839	6,905
New Zealand	3,502	3,655	4,088	5,205	1,202	1,224
South Seas	7	42	7	2	3	..
United Kingdom	2,337	2,437	2,606	2,998	707	503
South Africa	1,325	1,186	1,382	2,162	37	240
Other British Dominions	899	918	1,041	1,029	273	411
Foreign Ports	706	904	886	1,066	228	250
By Rail—						
New South Wales	13,848	14,467	16,259	17,903	4,567	4,303
Queensland	175	180	222	343	79	89
South Australia	4,346	4,267	4,423	5,386	1,005	1,345
Total	..	73,418	81,712	90,186	30,557	22,915

Emigration (as recorded).

Destination.	Total for the Year.				Quarter ended in 1908—	
	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	31st March	30th June.
By Sea—						
New South Wales	17,207	15,225	16,882	21,249	6,800	6,075
Queensland	2,053	2,232	2,730	3,905	880	1,365
South Australia	2,877	3,395	2,838	3,704	911	912
Western Australia	12,819	10,737	8,714	7,623	2,648	2,224
Tasmania	19,620	23,258	24,384	25,582	9,266	4,950
New Zealand	5,796	5,271	6,420	5,778	1,988	974
South Seas	27	7	7	3	4	5
United Kingdom	2,769	2,422	2,580	2,627	1,107	993
South Africa	1,125	1,068	878	644	200	136
Other British Dominions	984	949	1,103	1,043	232	262
Foreign Ports	534	840	812	887	430	238
By Rail—						
New South Wales	11,583	13,076	14,969	17,806	4,839	4,639
Queensland	131	176	247	324	104	86
South Australia	4,121	3,854	3,973	4,978	1,328	1,216
Total	..	81,666	83,110	86,537	30,746	24,075

EXCESS OF MIGRATION (AS RECORDED).
Excess of Immigration shown thus (+), of Emigration (-).

		Total for the Year.				Quarter ended in 1908—	
		1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	31st March.	30th June.
By Sea—							
New South Wales .. .		-3,365	-133	+419	-2,493	-1,224	-1,427
Queensland .. .		+393	+278	-208	-651	+35	-654
South Australia .. .		-516	-587	+302	-264	+270	-255
Western Australia .. .		-4,937	-1,801	+1,445	+2,766	+353	-685
Tasmania .. .		+122	+1,052	+1,766	+1,901	+1,573	+1,955
New Zealand .. .		-2,294	-1,616	-2,332	-573	-786	+250
South Seas .. .		-20	+35	..	-1	-1	-5
United Kingdom .. .		-432	+15	+26	+371	-400	-400
South Africa .. .		+200	+118	+504	+1,518	+172	+104
Other British Dominions .. .		-85	-31	-62	-14	+41	+149
Foreign Ports .. .		+152	+64	+74	+179	-202	+12
By Rail—							
New South Wales .. .		+2,265	+791	+1,290	+97	-272	-336
Queensland .. .		+44	+4	-25	+19	-25	+3
South Australia .. .		+225	+413	+450	+408	+277	+129
Total .. .		-8,248	-1,398	+3,649	+3,263	-189	-1,160

VITAL STATISTICS.

		Year.				Quarter ended in 1908—	
		1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	31st March.	30th June.
Metropolitan District—							
Marriages .. .		4,452	4,757	4,811	5,349	1,307	1,441
Births—Males .. .		6,035	6,196	6,282	6,517	1,707	1,699
" Females .. .		5,851	5,748	6,091	6,343	1,693	1,534
Deaths—Males .. .		3,439	3,521	3,595	3,545	1,056	906
" Females .. .		3,119	3,072	3,488	3,278	962	792
Other Urban Districts—							
Marriages .. .		1,846	2,011	2,019	2,033	516	544
Births—Males .. .		3,226	3,317	3,489	3,484	923	834
" Females .. .		3,015	3,177	3,308	3,279	858	846
Deaths—Males .. .		2,314	2,378	2,379	2,176	629	572
" Females .. .		1,536	1,648	1,631	1,534	496	419
Rural Districts—							
Marriages .. .		1,912	2,006	2,100	2,193	500	570
Births—Males .. .		6,052	6,010	5,945	5,988	1,415	1,526
" Females .. .		5,584	5,659	5,729	5,758	1,393	1,430
Deaths—Males .. .		2,239	2,374	2,368	2,259	694	638
" Females .. .		1,746	1,683	1,776	1,750	512	433
Total State—							
Marriages .. .		8,210	8,774	8,930	9,575	2,323	2,555
Births—Males .. .		15,313	15,523	15,716	15,980	4,045	4,059
" Females .. .		14,450	14,584	15,128	15,380	3,944	3,810
Deaths—Males .. .		7,992	8,273	8,342	7,980	2,379	2,116
" Females .. .		6,401	6,403	6,895	6,562	1,970	1,644
Excess of Births over Deaths .. .		15,370	15,431	15,607	16,827	3,640	4,109

DEATHS FROM CERTAIN DISEASES.

Causes of Death.		NUMBER OF DEATHS.				Quarter ended in 1908—	
		Year.				31st March.	30th June.
1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.				
Metropolitan District—							
Typhoid Fever .. .		71	41	46	48	30	20
Diphtheria and Croup .. .		74	45	33	52	6	22
Measles	46	2	28	2	..
Phthisis .. .		681	626	601	619	158	137
Other Tubercular Diseases .. .		221	201	202	180	37	32
Cancer .. .		424	482	500	508	143	145
Other Urban Districts—							
Typhoid Fever .. .		73	51	63	27	41	35
Diphtheria and Croup .. .		52	15	14	28	9	17
Measles	18	1	10	4	1
Phthisis .. .		375	330	341	309	55	70
Other Tubercular Diseases .. .		92	69	62	41	12	19
Cancer .. .		242	248	192	248	79	52
Rural Districts—							
Typhoid Fever .. .		46	29	53	14	11	10
Diphtheria and Croup .. .		82	28	11	18	3	12
Measles	15	4	3	7	2
Phthisis .. .		286	279	271	267	64	62
Other Tubercular Diseases .. .		63	72	71	40	10	12
Cancer .. .		227	223	225	236	43	54
Total State—							
Typhoid Fever .. .		190	121	162	89	82	65
Diphtheria and Croup .. .		208	88	58	98	18	51
Measles	79	7	41	13	3
Phthisis .. .		1,342	1,235	1,213	1,195	277	269
Other Tubercular Diseases .. .		376	342	335	261	59	63
Cancer .. .		893	953	926	992	265	251

POPULATION, 31ST DECEMBER, 1907; AND BIRTHS AND DEATHS IN GREATER MELBOURNE, QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1908.

Sub-districts.	Municipal Estimates of Population, 31st December, 1907.	Births.				Deaths.			Excess of Births over Deaths.		
		Including Twins and Ille- gitimate Children.			Both Sexes.	Cases of Twins.	Illegiti- mate Children.	Both Sexes.	Males.	Females.	
		Both Sexes.	Males.	Females.							
Melbourne City--Bourke Ward	13,100	49	16	33	1	6	26	12	14	23	
" Gipps Ward	7,360	15	10	5	..	4	27	19	8	-12	
" Lonsdale Ward	2,550	6	5	1	..	2	3	2	1	3	
" La Trobe Ward	3,540	4	3	1	..	..	2	1	1	2	
" Albert Ward	7,870	24	12	12	..	3	21	13	8	3	
" Smith Ward	14,240	59	31	28	2	8	30	15	15	29	
" Victoria Ward	21,150	131	76	55	2	10	60	30	30	71	
Hopetoun Ward	28,750	235	117	118	..	15	53	26	27	182	
Fitzroy City	33,240	172	89	83	2	18	75	36	39	97	
Collingwood City	34,930	167	93	74	..	3	69	40	29	98	
Richmond City	39,200	268	135	133	3	20	93	57	36	175	
Brunswick City	27,080	179	101	78	2	5	45	16	29	134	
Northcote Town	13,330	106	61	45	4	12	29	13	16	77	
Prahran City	42,600	237	120	117	..	16	91	41	50	146	
South Melbourne City	41,820	219	120	99	5	6	74	39	35	145	
Port Melbourne Town	12,670	74	43	31	1	1	39	24	15	35	
St. Kilda City	22,400	104	56	48	..	5	55	24	31	49	
Brighton Town	11,500	43	29	14	..	..	22	6	16	21	
Essendon Town	19,500	88	48	40	2	1	32	17	15	56	
Hawthorn City	24,640	100	51	49	1	3	35	16	19	65	
Kew Borough	9,200	58	30	28	1	1	22	11	11	36	
Footscray City	19,470	145	76	69	..	3	42	21	21	103	
Williamstown Town	13,810	89	48	41	1	5	28	15	13	61	
Oakleigh Borough	1,570	15	7	8	..	1	5	3	2	10	
Caulfield Town	11,830	67	28	39	..	1	23	9	14	44	
Malvern Town	13,290	77	36	41	1	1	26	13	13	51	
Camberwell Town	10,600	39	22	17	..	..	30	15	15	9	
Preston Shire	4,350	25	14	11	2	1	10	4	6	15	
Coburg Borough	8,090	47	23	24	..	4	18	9	9	29	
Remainder of District	17,850	87	44	43	1	2	40	23	17	47	
Hospitals, Asylums, &c.	4,740	304	155	149	5	130	573	336	237	-269	
Shipping in Hobson's Bay and River	1,730	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	538,000	3,233	1,699	1,534	36	287	1,698	906	792	1,535
Daily average	..	..	35.53	18.67	16.86	40	3.15	18.66	9.96	8.70	16.87

DEATHS FROM DIPHTHERIA, TYPHOID FEVER, AND TUBERCULAR DISEASES IN GREATER MELBOURNE IN EACH MONTH.

Month.	Deaths from Diphtheria.					Deaths from Typhoid Fever.				Deaths from Tubercular Diseases.					
	1904	1905	1906	1907	1908	1904	1905	1906	1907	1908	1904	1905	1906	1907	1908
January	3	2	2	1	2	6	13	4	4	6	78	79	68	70	56
February	2	6	5	2	1	15	3	7	9	71	57	50	61	70	
March	3	5	1	Nil	3	14	8	13	3	15	69	67	73	53	69
April	5	2	1	2	3	9	3	10	7	12	73	49	48	51	49
May	10	6	3	8	8	5	3	1	6	5	63	81	63	63	57
June	12	4	1	3	11	7	5	2	2	3	73	59	80	74	63
July	10	7	4	6	..	2	3	4	3	..	83	75	66	70	..
August	8	4	2	8	..	2	1	1	1	..	89	63	63	78	..
September	5	3	7	8	..	2	Nil	Nil	5	..	78	72	73	70	..
October	5	3	4	6	..	5	1	Nil	2	..	76	91	84	69	..
November	1	1	1	7	..	2	Nil	3	5	..	63	63	61	64	..
December	6	Nil	1	1	2	1	1	3	..	..	66	71	74	76	..
Total	70	43	32	52	..	71	41	46	48	..	902	827	803	799	..

THE BIRTHS AND DEATHS IN GREATER MELBOURNE, together with the Mean Temperature in the Shade, the Mean Atmospheric Pressure, the amount of Rainfall, and the number of days on which rain fell during the Quarter ended the 30th June, for each of the five years, 1904 to 1908, were as follow:

Quarter ended 30th June--	Number of--		Mean Temperature.	Mean Height of Barometer.	Rain.	
	Births.	Deaths.			Number of--	
		°	Inches.	Inches.	Days.	
1904	2,967	1,610	55.1	30.040	6.62	37
1905	2,974	1,580	55.1	30.021	7.31	33
1906	3,079	1,617	55.1	29.966	4.64	29
1907	3,198	1,635	53.1	30.046	5.21	27
1908	3,233	1,698	53.3	30.10	5.15	39

BIRTHS IN BALLARAT, BENDIGO, AND GEELONG, DURING THE QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE FOR EACH OF THE FIVE YEARS' 1904 TO 1908.

Quarter ended 30th June —	Ballarat and Suburbs.		Bendigo and Suburbs.		Geelong and Suburbs.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
1904	133	152	179	185	87	94
1905	134	175	205	152	94	65
1906	179	126	198	194	99	75
1907	159	133	214	184	99	74
1908	136	138	185	188	93	90

DEATHS FROM CERTAIN DISEASES IN GREATER MELBOURNE, during the Quarter ended the 30th June, for each of the five years, 1904 to 1908.

Quarter ended 30th June —	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Influenza.	Whooping Cough.	Diphtheria.	Typhoid Fever.	Hydatids.	Erysipelas.	Cancer.	Tubercular Diseases.		Child bearing (includes Puerperal Fever).
										Males.	Females.	
1904	5	17	1	27	21	3	2	94	159	50	20	
1905	16	1	17	..	12	11	6	3	104	144	45	17
1906	1	6	19	5	13	4	2	123	143	48	16	
1907	1	10	7	15	16	1	..	129	141	47	14	
1908 .. ..	..	11	..	22	20	3	..	145	137	32	10	

AGES AT DEATH, MELBOURNE, BALLARAT, BENDIGO, AND GEELONG, QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1908.

Age at Death.	Melbourne and Suburbs.		Ballarat and Suburbs.		Bendigo and Suburbs.		Geelong and Suburbs.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Under 1 year	151	115	8	11	23	16	7	10
1 and under 5 years	48	34	4	4	14	5	..	2
5 .. 15 ..	32	31	5	6	7	10	1	3
15 .. 25 ..	39	45	5	3	5	4	3	3
25 .. 35 ..	46	56	2	6	7	13	2	1
35 .. 45 ..	83	69	3	9	14	5	4	3
45 .. 55 ..	119	97	9	5	11	5	4	3
55 .. 65 ..	103	75	9	6	10	5	6	2
65 .. 75 ..	130	121	25	12	19	12	8	11
75 years and upwards	155	149	35	19	23	21	23	15
Total	906	792	105	81	133	96	59	54

CAUSES OF DEATH, MELBOURNE, BALLARAT, BENDIGO, AND GEELONG, QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1908.

Causes of Death.	Melbourne and Suburbs.		Ballarat and Suburbs.		Bendigo and Suburbs.		Geelong and Suburbs.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
I. GENERAL DISEASES.								
Typhoid Fever	15	5	4	1	4	8	1	2
Measles .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Scarlet Fever	11	11	2	4	4	3	..	..
Diphtheria and Croup	4	7	1	1	2	4	..	..
Influenza .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dysentery .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Erysipelas .. ..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
Purulent Infection and Septicæmia	4	7	..	..	..	..	1	1
Trichinosis .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tuberculosis of the Larynx	73	64	8	2	24	5	..	5
Tuberculosis of the Lung .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tuberculosis of the Meninges	9	5	..	..	1	1	..	..
Tuberculosis of the Peritoneum	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	1
Tuberculosis of Other Organs .. ..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
General Tuberculosis	10	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Syphilis	8	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cancer, &c., of the Mouth	12	1	1	..	1	..	1	..
Cancer, &c., of the Stomach and Liver	19	21	1	..	2	2	..	..

CAUSES OF DEATH, MELBOURNE, BALLARAT, BENDIGO, AND GEELONG—continued.

Causes of Death.	Melbourne and Suburbs.		Ballarat and Suburbs.		Bendigo and Suburbs.		Geelong and Suburbs.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
I. GENERAL DISEASES—continued.								
Cancer, &c., of the Peritoneum, the Intestines, and the Rectum ..	13	11	1	1	..	2	1	..
Cancer, &c., of the Female Genital Organs	16	..	1	..	3	1	1
Cancer, &c., of the Breast	15	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cancer, &c., of the Skin ..	3	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
Cancer, &c., of other Organs ..	20	13	2	3	..	1	..	..
Other Tumors (Tumors of Female Genital Organs excepted)	2	2	..	..	2	..	..
Acute Articular Rheumatism	5	5	..	1	..	..	..
Chronic Rheumatism and Gout	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diabetes ..	10	8	..	..	..	1	..	1
Exophthalmic Goitre	1	..	..	..	..	..
Addison's Disease
Leucæmia	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
Anæmia, Chlorosis	7	5	..	..	..	..	..
Acute and Chronic Alcoholism	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
II. DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM AND OF THE ORGANS OF SPECIAL SENSE.								
Encephalitis	1	..	..	5	..	..
Simple Meningitis	15	9	1	..	..	1	..
Progressive Locomotor Ataxia	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Diseases of the Spinal Cord	9	3	..	..	..	..	..
Congestion and Haemorrhage of the Brain ..	36	38	6	4	2	3	1	2
Softening of the Brain ..	2	1	2	1	..	1	1	2
Paralysis without indicated Cause	7	7	..	..	1	1	2
General Paralysis	6	2	1	..	..	..	..
Epilepsy	7	..	1	..	1	..	1
Eclampsia (non-puerperal)	3	..	2
Convulsions of Children under five years	4	3	..	..	..	..	2
Tetanus	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Other Diseases of the Nervous System	5	7	..	..	..	1	..
III. DISEASES OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.								
Pericarditis	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Acute Endocarditis	25	21	..	..	..	9	7
Organic Diseases of the Heart	65	65	17	14	12	4	1
Angina Pectoris	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases of the Arteries, Atheroma, Aneurism, &c.	14	3	..	..	..	..	1
Embolism and Thrombosis	5	1	..	1	..	..	..
Haemorrhage	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Other Diseases of the Circulatory System	1	..
IV. DISEASES OF THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.								
Diseases of the Larynx	4	2	..	..	2	..	..
Diseases of the Thyroid Body	1	..	..	..	..	..
Acute Bronchitis	11	5	1	1	2	..	..
Chronic Bronchitis	12	18	3	4	4	8	1
Broncho-pneumonia	27	16	1	2	5	4	1
Pneumonia	48	48	5	6	11	5	5
Pleurisy	6	..	..	1	1	..	..
Congestion of the Lungs and Pulmonary Apoplexy	1	4	..	1	2	1	1
Asthma	3	1	..	..	1	..	..
Pulmonary Emphysema	2	..	..	..	..	..
Hydatid of Lung
Other Diseases of Respiratory System (Consumption excepted)	5	2	..	2	2	..	..
V. DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE ORGANS.								
Diseases of the Mouth and its associated Organs	1	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases of the Pharynx	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases of the Esophagus	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ulcer of the Stomach	2	..	..	1	..	1	..
Other Diseases of the Stomach (Cancer excepted)	5	1	..	1	1	..	..
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (Children under two years)	54	43	2	4	10	4	1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis Chronic (Children under two years)	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (over two years of age)	..	7	13	2	2	2	3	1
Hernia, Intestinal Obstruction	4	5	2	1	2	..	2
Other Diseases of the Intestines	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Icterus Gravis	1	..	..	..	..	..
Hydatid Tumors of the Liver	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cirrhosis of the Liver	11	10	..	1	..	..	..
Biliary Calculi	3	5	..	..	..	..	..

CAUSES OF DEATH, MELBOURNE, BALLARAT, BENDIGO, AND GEELONG—continued.

Causes of Death	Melbourne and Suburbs		Ballarat and Suburbs		Bendigo and Suburbs		Geelong and Suburbs	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
V. DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE ORGANS—continued.								
Other Diseases of the Liver	5	4	4	..	2	..	..	..
Diseases of Spleen .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Simple Peritonitis (non-puerperal) .. ..	..	4	1	1	..	1	..	..
Appendicitis and Abscess of the Iliac Fossa ..	3	2	2	..	2	..	..	..
Other Diseases of the Digestive System .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
VI. DISEASES OF THE GENITO-URINAL SYSTEM AND ADNEXA.								
Acute Nephritis	3	7	..	..	..	1	..	..
Bright's Disease	57	46	2	..	3	1	6	..
Other Diseases of the Kidneys and their Adnexa .. ..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calculi of the Urinary System	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases of the Bladder	3	2	2	..	..	..	2	..
Other Diseases of the Urethra, Urinary Abscess, &c. .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases of the Prostate	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Uterine Tumor (non-cancerous) .. ..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..
Other Diseases of the Uterus .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cysts and other Ovarian Tumors .. ..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	1
Other Diseases of the Female Genital Organs .. ..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
VII. Puerperal Condition.								
Accidents of Pregnancy .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
Puerperal Haemorrhage .. ..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Accidents of Childbirth .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Puerperal Septicemia .. ..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..
Puerperal Albuminuria and Eclampsia .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Puerperal Accidents .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
VIII. DISEASES OF THE SKIN AND OF THE CELLULAR TISSUE.								
Gangrene	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Carbuncle .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
IX. DISEASES OF THE ORGANS OF LOCOMOTION.								
Non-tuberculous Diseases of the Bones	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
X. MALFORMATIONS.								
Congenital Malformation (exclusive of Stillborn)	8	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
XI. INFANCY.								
Congenital Debility, Icterus and Scleroma of Children under 3 months of age	15	9	..	6	3	1	2	1
Premature Birth	40	34	1	6	2	3	1	4
Other Diseases peculiar to Infancy	4	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
XII. OLD AGE.								
Senile Debility	58	58	19	7	5	6	9	6
XIII. VIOLENCE.								
Suicide by—								
Poison	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Suffocation .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hanging or Strangulation	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firearms	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Precipitation from a height	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Drowning .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Being passed over by a railway train	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fractures	2	2	..	..	..	..	1	..
Other Accidental Injuries	15	5	1	1	3	..	..	1
Burning by Fire	1	3	..	..	..	4	..	1
Accidental Drowning	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Found Drowned	2	2	..	..	..	..	1	..
Inhalation of Noxious Gases (Suicide excepted) .. ..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..
Suffocation	3	5	..	1	..	..	..	..
Poison (accidental)—								
Aconite and Belladonna	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ptnomine .. ..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Murder .. ..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..
XIV. ILL-DEFINED DISEASES.								
Dropsey	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sudden Death	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..
Unspecified or Ill-defined Causes of Death	8	11	2	..	3	4	..	1
Total	906	792	105	81	133	96	59	54

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, CENTRAL WEATHER BUREAU, MELBOURNE, QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1908.
 (As supplied by the Commonwealth Meteorologist.)

Detail.	Month of April.	Month of May.	Month of June.
Temperature—Highest in the shade °	83·7 on the 7th ..	77·1 on the 1st ..	64·2 on the 18th
Lowest in the shade °	39·8 on the 30th ..	37·2 on the 24th ..	29·9 on the 3rd
Mean in the shade °	59·2	53·0	47·6
Mean Maximum °	67·9	60·1	53·2
Mean Minimum °	50·6	45·8	41·9
Greatest range °	33·4 on the 5th ..	30·7 on the 1st ..	23·9 on the 3rd
Average during corresponding month of previous ten years °	59·2	53·6	49·1
Number of days on which the Thermometer fell to 32° or under .. ..	.. ..	.. ..	1
Barometer—Maximum inches	30·466 on the 23rd ..	30·517 on the 27th ..	30·560 on the 2nd
Minimum "	29·900 on the 10th ..	29·369 on the 13th ..	29·561 on the 21st
Mean "	30·163	30·095	30·051
Rain—Number of days	9	13	17
" .. inches	·33	·88	·94
Average rainfall in corresponding month of previous ten years inches	2·77	2·19	2·17
Fog occurred—Number of days .. ..	.. ..	3	1
Mean Humidity	·65	·71	·76
Wind—prevailing direction	South	West, north, and	North and north-west

PRINCIPAL SOURCES OF STATE REVENUE

Head of Receipt.	Year ended 31st December.				Quarter ended—	
	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	31st March, 1908.	30th June, 1908.
Land Tax	£ 100,169	£ 97,879	£ 98,250	£ 92,920	£ 14,413	£ 20,528
Income Tax	319,671	323,337	322,425	362,415	13,240	262,473
Probate Duty	284,523	288,095	335,493	392,608	61,023	97,803
Stamp Duty	166,242	190,613	212,553	227,565	55,182	54,957
Alienation of Crown Lands	271,717	268,113	182,385	173,962	64,285	36,083
Leases and Licences	102,843	107,067	106,979	116,963	30,097	19,467
Railways*	3,609,201	3,655,982	3,856,336	4,077,275	1,003,263	921,973
Electric Street Railway				5,818	10,027	3,430
Interest on Loans	96,764	68,492	66,913	90,513	16,775	2,272
Repayments of Loans	2,024	3,787	7,455	8,777	1,260	46,313
Balance of Commonwealth Revenue	2,105,825	1,931,312	2,191,258	2,418,792	784,738	326,806
Other Revenue	543,370	559,370	682,115	705,869	130,975	164,723
Total State Revenue	7,602,349	7,494,047	8,037,980	8,677,686	2,187,591	1,963,627
Corresponding period previous year	6,878,386	7,602,349	7,494,047	8,037,980	2,235,183	2,322,503
Increase (+); Decrease (-)	+ 723,963	- 108,302	+ 543,933	+ 239,706	- 47,592	- 358,876

* Revenue as received at the Treasury.

STATE EXPENDITURE.

Head of Expenditure.	Year ended 31st December.				Quarter ended—	
	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	31st March, 1908.	30th June, 1908.
Chief Secretary ..	£ 605,009	£ 587,153	£ 630,411	£ 656,638	£ 163,875	£ 215,529
Minister of Public Instruction ..	557,556	555,820	619,355	621,353	159,251	211,731
Attorney-General ..	67,929	67,068	75,024	68,890	17,479	23,220
Solicitor-General ..	51,110	51,951	57,885	53,721	14,932	18,470
Treasurer ..	234,018	220,631	246,630	234,735	56,378	62,007
Commissioner, Lands and Survey ..	77,840	77,439	88,770	94,520	25,273	32,145
Commissioner Public Works ..	131,742	140,455	187,726	284,592	89,081	106,191
Minister, Mines ..	44,969	63,079	61,660	17,241		20,064
" Water Supply ..	59,339	33,342	46,150	61,667	18,869	20,242
" Agriculture ..	79,441	78,807	71,485	88,713	28,687	29,246
" Health ..	15,767	16,998	17,093	10,338	5,622	6,269
" Railways* ..	1,888,027	1,794,456	1,929,516	2,023,521	506,020	689,918
Special Appropriations ..	2,839,169	2,710,653	2,910,669	2,633,139	661,186	353,050
Total Expenditure ..	£ 6,606,947	£ 6,374,742	£ 6,944,693	£ 6,902,487	£ 1,763,894	£ 1,788,082
Corresponding period, previous year ..	6,453,849	6,606,947	6,374,742	6,944,693	1,361,452	1,775,502
Increase (+); Decrease (-) ..	+153,098	-232,205	+569,051	-42,206	+402,442	+12,580

* Expenditure as passed through the Treasury.

COMMONWEALTH REVENUE CREDITED TO THE STATE OF VICTORIA.

Source of Revenue.	Year ended 31st December.				Quarter ended—	
	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	31st March, 1908.	30th June, 1908.
Customs* ..	£ 1,998,005	£ 1,888,001	£ 2,074,055	£ 2,348,156	£ 723,223	£ 460,775
Excise* ..	519,964	545,952	592,904	679,177	173,470	153,442
Post, Telegraph, and Telephone ..	670,709	701,410	779,540	818,157	220,401	193,494
Other ..	10,644	10,423	19,599	22,204	3,419	5,280
Total ..	£ 3,199,322	£ 3,145,786	£ 3,466,098	£ 3,867,754	£ 1,120,513	£ 812,991
Corresponding period, previous year ..	3,140,300	3,199,322	3,145,786	3,466,098	954,915	783,528
Increase (+); Decrease (-) ..	+59,022	-53,536	+320,312	+401,656	+165,598	+29,463

* After deductions of Drawback and Repayments, and Inter-State adjustments.

PRINCIPAL SOURCES OF CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE IN VICTORIA.*

Principal Sources.	Year ended 31st December.				Quarter ended—	
	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	31st March, 1908.	30th June, 1908.
From Customs—	£	£	£	£	£	£
Stimulants ..	523,810	534,767	553,337	575,823	128,146	132,039
Narcotics ..	241,348	248,151	265,247	265,315	122,404	51,792
Sugar ..	187,365	79,400	97,504	42,341	5,499	2,424
Agricultural Products and Groceries ..	161,046	178,905	178,906	175,196	54,342	49,945
Apparel and Textiles ..	416,742	396,714	439,206	569,528	213,576	67,584
Metals and Machinery ..	99,801	93,756	124,078	186,554	59,804	36,129
Oils, Paints, and Varnishes ..	36,533	33,202	43,994	46,891	12,123	13,914
Earthenware ..	45,014	46,129	50,339	71,401	21,093	15,295
Drugs and Chemicals ..	15,368	15,287	15,124	17,460	5,044	4,219
Wood, Wicker, and Cane ..	74,279	84,996	90,705	108,067	33,342	33,051
Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..	49,267	45,097	56,145	65,491	13,054	8,036
Leather and Rubber ..	40,787	33,783	42,758	49,709	16,481	11,306
Paper and Stationery ..	33,212	30,448	39,741	53,046	11,961	11,495
Vehicles ..	23,044	21,758	28,236	44,408	4,895	2,988
Musical Instruments ..	19,370	14,490	18,677	25,896	7,707	7,094
From Excise—						
Spirits ..	90,730	91,342	94,781	135,287	9,627	17,545
Beer ..	187,396	166,326	174,761	182,667	54,390	37,016
Tobacco ..	148,012	149,744	168,393	165,443	42,291	39,703
Sugar ..	103,320	126,527	143,491	182,844	64,216	56,713
Starch ..	7,761	9,472	9,160	10,194	2,742	2,127
Licences—Tobacco and Cigars ..	951	950	1,014	1,295	200	293
All other Licences ..	1,794	1,591	1,304	1,446	266	41

* After deductions of Drawback and Repayments, and Inter-State adjustments.

COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE DEBITED TO THE STATE OF VICTORIA.

Head of Expenditure.	Year ended 31st December.				Quarter ended—	
	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	31st March, 1908.	30th June, 1908.
Trade and Customs	£ 67,965	£ 67,502	£ 65,664	£ 63,457	£ 17,635	£ 18,111
Defence	245,472	242,603	256,989	263,937	60,013	80,375
Postmaster-General	635,091	648,199	627,703	678,807	165,027	195,791
Other "Transferred" Expenditure ..	35	20	20	89	..	..
Total "Transferred" Expenditure ..	948,563	958,384	950,376	1,006,290	212,875	294,277
Proportion of "New" Expenditure ..	139,707	(143,834)	205,473	313,371	36,918	96,301
New Works, &c., for Transferred Departments	(93,281)		116,345	141,627	51,824	162,884
Total Commonwealth Expenditure debited to Victoria	1,088,270	1,195,499	1,272,194	1,461,588	331,417	553,462
Corresponding period, previous year	1,121,571	1,088,270	1,195,499	1,272,194	306,792	354,547
Increase (+); Decrease (-)	-33,301	+107,229	+70,695	+189,394	+24,625	+198,915

RAILWAY REVENUE.

Source of Revenue.	Year ended 31st December.				Quarter ended 31st March, 1908.
	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	
Passengers	£ 1,380,904	£ 1,438,919	£ 1,502,645	£ 1,699,032	£ 438,873
Parcels, &c.	133,495	146,226	146,385	154,133	38,384
Horses, Carriages, and Dogs	13,348	13,648	14,272	14,744	3,902
Mails	58,689	61,193	61,375	61,807	15,139
Rents	52,526	56,533	54,656	57,147	14,300
Miscellaneous	24,608	12,419	12,340	12,306	3,681
Live Stock	157,549	196,137	215,820	248,535	53,109
Goods	1,802,314	1,731,810	1,839,496	1,813,210	424,426
Total Revenue	3,623,433	3,656,885	3,906,960	4,060,914	991,814
Corresponding period, previous year	2,990,789	3,623,433	3,656,885	3,806,960	1,151,758
Increase	632,644	33,452	250,084	153,945	-159,044*

* Decrease.

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RAILWAY EXPENDITURE.

	Year ended 31st December.				Quarter ended 31st March, 1908.
	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	
Expenditure exclusive of Gratuities and Pensions	£ 1,904,607	£ 1,945,503	£ 2,056,294	£ 2,191,077	£ 562,920
Gratuities and Pensions	101,073	97,090	108,574	102,885	25,611
Total Expenditure	2,005,680	2,042,593	2,164,868	2,293,962	588,531
Corresponding period, previous year	1,987,783	2,005,680	2,042,593	2,164,868	581,941
Increase	17,897	36,913	122,275	129,094	6,590

OTHER RAILWAY STATISTICS.

Item.	Year ended 31st December.				Quarter ended 31st March, 1908.
	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	
Train Miles run	9,101,478	9,180,293	9,677,865	10,383,278	2,676,609
Revenue per Train Mile	7s. 11 1/4d.	7s. 11 1/2d.	8s. 0 8/9d.	7s. 4 9/3d.	
Net Revenue per Train Mile	3s. 9 3/2d.	3s. 8 7/4d.	3s. 9 8/9d.	3s. 7 2/2d.	3s. 2 4/6d.
Expenditure per Train Mile	4s. 2 2/2d.	4s. 2 8/6d.	4s. 3 0/0d.	4s. 2 6/4d.	4s. 2 4/7d.
Percentage, Expenditure to Revenue	52 5/6	53 20	52 64	53 95	56 76
Number of Passengers	57,319,564	61,825,186	67,479,448	72,611,907	18,051,900
Tonnage of Goods Traffic	3,399,000	3,300,282	3,485,496	3,054,123	944,582
Tonnage of Live Stock Traffic	225,077	284,340	302,295	357,016	94,305
Corresponding Period, Previous Year.					
Train Miles run	9,116,106	9,101,478	9,180,293	9,677,865	2,800,871
Revenue per Train Mile	6s. 6 7/4d.	7s. 11 1/4d.	7s. 11 1/2d.	8s. 0 8/9d.	8s. 2 6/9d.
Net Revenue per Train Mile	2s. 5 1/4d.	3s. 9 3/2d.	3s. 8 7/4d.	3s. 9 8/9d.	4s. 2 9/4d.
Expenditure per Train Mile	4s. 1 6/0d.	4s. 2 2/2d.	4s. 2 8/6d.	4s. 3 0/0d.	3s. 11 7/5d.
Percentage, Expenditure to Revenue	62 9/9	52 5/6	53 20	52 64	48 39
Number of Passengers	53,040,046	57,319,564	61,825,186	67,479,448	17,463,367
Tonnage of Goods Traffic	2,654,054	3,399,000	3,300,282	3,485,496	1,165,380
Tonnage of Live Stock Traffic	327,411	225,077	284,340	302,295	81,044

VICTORIAN BANKING RETURNS—QUARTERLY AVERAGES.

			Quarter ended 31st March, 1908.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1908.
(a) LIABILITIES—			£	£
Notes in circulation not bearing interest	887,064	858,760		
Bills in circulation not bearing interest	260,361	202,097		
Balances due to other Banks	225,860	165,679		
Deposits—Government—				
Not bearing interest	229,719	234,484		
Bearing interest	2,354,078	2,240,783		
Deposits—other—				
Not bearing interest	13,927,212	13,039,667		
Bearing interest	20,963,455	21,029,063		
Perpetual Inscribed Stock	990,066	994,726		
Total Liabilities	39,837,815	38,765,259		
Corresponding period 1907	40,491,978	39,757,849		
Decrease	654,163	992,590		
(b) ASSETS—				
Coined gold, silver, and other coined metal	7,714,089	7,304,825		
Gold and silver in bullion and bars	406,613	422,614		
Landed and other property	1,822,347	1,808,260		
Notes and Bills of other Banks	372,289	301,941		
Balances due from other Banks	213,475	255,973		
All debts due to Banks	32,885,599	33,286,928		
Total Assets	43,414,417	43,380,531		
Corresponding period 1907	40,564,078	41,644,791		
Increase	2,850,339	1,735,740		
(c)				
Ratio of Coin and Bullion to Liabilities	20.38%	19.93%		
Total Capital paid up	13,509,551	13,515,831		
Amount of last declared dividend and bonus	549,604	554,546		
Reserves	5,338,177	5,658,630		

SAVINGS BANK TRANSACTIONS.

Period.	Deposits.	Withdrawals.	Number of Accounts.			Amount at credit of Depositors.
			Opened.	Closed.	Remaining open at end of period.	
Year ended 31st December, 1904	7,470,683	7,446,919	68,600	52,443	439,860	10,559,552
" " 1905	8,012,972	7,717,788	69,367	53,907	455,320	11,128,682
" " 1906	8,891,746	8,250,562	77,345	55,577	477,088	12,057,455
" " 1907	9,850,864	9,274,098	86,140	61,835	501,393	12,951,779
Quarter ended 31st March, 1908	2,549,635	2,305,206	23,356	17,318	507,431	13,112,611
" 30th June, "	2,428,066	2,435,245	20,736	16,586	511,581	13,428,140*

* Includes interest to Depositors.

GOLD PRODUCTION OF VICTORIA.

Period.		Yield. oz.
From 1851 to 1900	—	64,346,612
1901	—	789,662
1902	—	777,738
1903	—	822,424
1904	—	821,017
1905	—	810,050
1906	—	834,775
1907	—	754,260
1908 March quarter	—	161,364
" June "	—	183,390
Total	—	70,301,201
Value	—	£280,833,742

PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO VICTORIA FROM OTHER STATES DURING FIRST SIX MONTHS, 1907 AND 1908.

Article.	Imported from other States during First Six Months of—					
	1907.			1908.		
	Australian Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.
Animals (Horses, Cattle and Sheep) ..	£ 772,439	350	772,789	468,322	2,300	470,622
Apparel and Soft Goods ..	£ 42,960	73,689	116,649	40,566	77,369	117,935
Boots and Shoes ..	£ 17,880	3,490	21,370	15,950	3,335	19,285
Butter ..	lbs. 1,116,013	..	1,116,013	3,984,973	..	3,984,973
Cement ..	£ 47,469	..	47,469	193,757	..	193,757
Cement ..	cwt. 63,732	20	63,752	46,822	478	47,300
Coal ..	£ 8,085	5	8,090	7,156	50	7,206
Coal ..	tons 503,768	..	503,768	558,016	..	558,016
Copper and Copper in Matte ..	£ 238,655	..	238,655	321,034	..	321,034
Drugs and Chemicals ..	£ 29,234	15,195	44,429	34,389	13,565	47,954
Fruits—Fresh ..	£ 40,192	378	40,570	46,657	326	46,983
Gold (Bullion and Specie) ..	£ 185,335	..	185,335	310,538	..	310,538
Grain, &c.—						
Barley ..	centals 65,782	..	65,782	96,691	..	96,691
Oats ..	£ 26,842	..	26,842	46,355	..	46,355
Wheat ..	centals 9,156	..	9,156	102,741	..	102,741
Flour ..	£ 2,566	..	2,566	37,267	..	37,267
Hops ..	lbs. 331,687	14,019	345,706	462,405	3,943	466,348
Implements and Machinery ..	£ 20,197	..	20,197	17,684	143	20,045
Jams and Jellies ..	lbs. 838,424	1,332	839,756	1,251,844	1,432	1,253,276
Jewellery ..	£ 11,400	52	11,452	16,404	58	16,444
Lead—Pig and in Matte ..	cwt. 5,812	9,110	14,922	7,101	8,010	15,111
Leather ..	£ 44,767	..	44,767	51,679	..	51,679
Skins and Hides ..	£ 45,524	..	45,524	35,491	..	35,491
Soap ..	lbs. 28,009	26,501	54,510	29,362	24,851	54,213
Spirits ..	£ 165,854	96	165,950	111,404	87	111,491
Sugar ..	lbs. 829,590	3,358	832,948	891,953	3,267	895,220
Timber ..	£ 11,134	301	11,435	13,326	314	13,640
Tin Ingots ..	£ 10,490	13,353	23,843	9,799	17,018	26,817
Tobacco, Cigars, and Cigarettes ..	cwt. 190,335	1,027	191,362	161,601	91	161,692
Wool—Greasy ..	lbs. 114,322	704	115,026	103,141	95	103,236
Wool—Washed ..	£ 59,910	1,222	61,132	70,369	2,300	72,669
All other Articles ..	cwt. 23,117	10	23,127	23,846	..	23,846
Total ..	£ 3,413,110	390,235	3,803,345	3,140,307	392,650	3,532,957

PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED OVERSEA INTO VICTORIA DURING FIRST SIX MONTHS, 1907 AND 1908.

Article.	Imported Oversea during First Six Months of—			
	1907.		1908.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale and Beer	gals.	366,204	£ 59,237	319,784 £ 57,584
Apparel and Soft Goods .. . . .	..	..	2,141,718	2,046,618*
Boots and Shoes .. . . .	..	..	49,434	34,395
Cocoa and Chocolate	lbs.	981,003	55,940	810,650 47,001
Confectionery .. . . .	..	332,703	12,132	354,559 17,969
Cordage and Twines .. . . .	..	..	88,184	.. 95,283
Drugs and Chemicals .. . . .	..	..	98,371	.. 129,749
Earthenware, China, &c. .. . .	..	..	42,287	.. 51,407
Fruits (fresh and dried) .. . . .	..	..	32,259	.. 14,325
Gold (bullion and specie) .. . . .	..	..	192,870	.. 191,110
Grain—Rice	centals	167,366	66,895	158,254 66,693
Hats and Caps .. . . .	..	..	89,751	.. 58,156
Implements and Machinery .. . . .	..	..	385,025	292,732
Indiarubber Goods .. . . .	..	..	111,039	.. 134,136
Instruments—Musical .. . . .	..	..	61,629	.. 57,402
Iron and Steel	cwt.	778,714	430,687	680,841 314,190
Jute Goods—Bags, Sacks, &c. .. . .	..	..	114,549	.. 146,114
Leather .. . . .	..	..	67,567	.. 80,702
Manures	cwt.	666,033	93,678	436,233 62,160
Metals—Manufactures of .. . . .	..	..	539,586	.. 487,476
Oils in Bulk .. . . .	..	..	179,131	.. 142,011
Paints and Colours, Varnishes .. . . .	..	..	04,035	.. 60,537
Paper .. . . .	..	..	200,080	.. 238,780
Spirits .. . . .	..	..	112,388	.. 121,925
Tea .. . . .	..	6,153,974	209,253	4,198,461 143,191
Timber .. . . .	..	..	277,014	.. 322,870
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	lbs.	223,475	18,979	171,173 13,767
Unmanufactured .. . . .	..	3,172,823	123,636	3,213,180 100,581
Vehicles .. . . .	..	..	104,593	.. 153,209
All other Articles .. . . .	..	..	1,910,154	.. 2,129,414
Total .. . . .	..	..	7,932,101	.. 7,811,487

* Including woolen goods as follow:—Apparel, £132,581; Socks, £68,496; Blankets, £8,503; Flannels, £16,229; Woollen Piece Goods, £381,964; and Woollens (free), £6,441.

PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED FROM VICTORIA TO OTHER STATES DURING FIRST SIX MONTHS, 1907 AND 1908.

Article.	Exported to other States during First Six Months of—					
	1907.		1908.			
	Australian Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.
Animals (Horses, Cattle, and Sheep) ..	£ 464,096	3,061	467,157	620,450	100	£ 620,550
Apparel and Attire ..	£ 302,164	83,378	385,542	303,083	62,872	365,955
Biscuits ..	.. { lbs.	742,782	1,026	743,808	876,093	1,601 877,094
Boots and Shoes ..	..	£ 17,229	56	17,285	19,938	69 20,007
Butter ..	.. { lbs.	176,093	7,365	183,458	210,104	6,449 216,553
Confectionery ..	.. { lbs.	3,914,068	..	3,914,068	3,290,748	.. 3,290,748
Fruits—						
Fresh ..	..	£ 72,706	2,112	74,818	51,047	1,602 52,649
Dried Raisins ..	..	£ 36,664	27	36,691	13,370	.. 13,370
Grain—						
Oats ..	..	£ 52,214	..	52,214	23,456	193 23,649
Wheat and Flour ..	..	£ 57,928	..	57,928	72,901	3 72,904
Malt ..	..	£ 63,354	741	64,095	62,404	43 62,447
Hats and Caps ..	..	£ 59,930	11,702	71,632	65,932	11,564 77,496
Hay and Chaff ..	.. { cwt.	395,193	..	395,193	377,844	.. 377,844
Implements—Agricultural ..	..	£ 69,210	21,328	90,538	68,672	20,082 88,754
Jams and Jellies ..	.. { lbs.	2,929,673	1,891	2,931,564	3,129,722	1,706 3,131,428
Leather ..	..	£ 38,691	49	38,740	42,244	65 42,309
Onions ..	..	£ 71,751	20,910	92,661	73,548	13,348 86,896
Picce Goods—Woollen ..	..	£ 31,151	..	31,151	61,975	.. 61,975
Potatoes ..	.. { cwt.	£ 62,538	54,317	116,855	52,777	51,458 104,235
Hides ..	..	£ 137,796	..	137,796	189,586	.. 189,586
Skins—Sheep ..	..	£ 16,120	225	16,345	17,631	38 17,669
Soap ..	.. { lbs.	£ 21,593	8	21,601	5,720	.. 5,720
Starch ..	.. { lbs.	£ 21,278	632	21,910	23,783	596 24,379
Tobacco, &c. ..	..	£ 119,601	10,661	130,262	151,983	11,254 163,237
Wool ..	..	£ 65,506	..	65,506	13,759	.. 13,759
All other Articles ..	..	£ 1,904,595	1,163,927	3,068,522	1,849,274	1,169,677 3,018,951
Total ..	..	£ 4,087,825	1,381,666	5,469,491	4,231,832	1,350,976 5,582,808

PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED OVERSEA FROM VICTORIA DURING FIRST SIX MONTHS, 1907 AND 1908.

Article.	Exported Oversea during First Six Months of—					
	1907.			1908.		
	Australian Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.
Animals (Horses, Cattle and Sheep) ..	£ 46,326	400	46,726	29,943	..	29,943
Apparel and Soft Goods ..	£ 3,862	15,144	19,006	4,174	24,985	29,159
Biscuits ..	lbs. 473,946	..	473,946	256,501	..	256,501
Boots and Shoes ..	£ 6,467	..	6,467	3,277	..	3,277
Butter ..	lbs. 6,034	356	6,390	4,000	390	4,390
Earthenware, China, &c. ..	£ 668,283	..	668,283	447,668	..	447,668
Fruits (fresh and dried) ..	£ 1,511	194	1,705	3,270	61	3,331
Gold (bullion and specie) ..	£ 94,552	1,239	95,791	45,656	685	46,341
Grain, &c.—	£ 648,848	150	648,998	1,999,819	465	2,000,284
Oats ..	centals 111,734	291	112,025	10,302	..	10,302
Wheat ..	£ 30,709	91	30,800	4,398	..	4,398
Flour ..	centals 5,073,403	..	5,073,403	427,094	..	427,094
Hay and Chaff ..	£ 1,299,570	..	1,299,570	155,820	..	155,820
Indiarubber Goods ..	£ 893,325	..	893,325	547,364	..	547,364
Jams and Jellies ..	lbs. 312,099	..	312,099	241,828	..	241,828
Leather ..	cwt. 45,022	..	45,022	11,597	..	11,597
Manures ..	£ 6,805	..	6,805	3,194	..	3,194
Implement and Machinery ..	£ 17,755	949	18,704	15,861	2,511	18,372
Rabbits and Hares ..	pairs 315,868	..	315,868	422,253	..	422,253
Soap ..	£ 4,716	..	4,716	6,833	..	6,833
Tallow ..	£ 16,055	9,365	25,420	31,155	8,996	40,151
Tea ..	£ 89,845	2,664	92,509	85,942	4,428	90,370
Wool—	cwt. 1,920	7,680	9,600	9,735	240	9,975
Wool—	£ 474	1,411	1,885	1,922	136	2,058
Meads—						
Mutton and Lamb ..	lbs. 15,447,556	..	15,447,556	10,245,923	..	10,245,923
Rabbits and Hares ..	£ 216,284	..	216,284	141,263	..	141,263
Other ..	£ 1,413,353	..	1,413,353	935,578	..	935,578
Oils in bulk ..	£ 17,810	25	17,835	21,148	125	21,273
Skins and Hides ..	£ 22,109	3,756	25,865	13,700	7,825	21,525
Tea ..	lbs. 435,326	50	435,376	268,637	..	268,637
Wine ..	£ 743,593	22,906	766,499	881,749	25,392	907,141
Greasy ..	£ 5,442	1,294	6,736	6,660	1,383	8,043
Scoured and Washed ..	cwt. 86,473	..	86,473	56,142	..	56,142
All other Articles ..	£ 133,058	..	133,058	72,592	..	72,592
Total ..	£ 7,702,902	153,385	7,856,287	6,080,065	184,053	6,264,118

VALUE OF ARTICLES IMPORTED AND EXPORTED EACH MONTH—1907 AND 1908.

Month.	1907.			1908.		
	Inter-State.	Oversea.	Total.	Inter-State.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Imports.</i>						
January ..	932,848	1,601,456	2,534,304	1,765,190	1,533,364	6,048,316
February ..	765,603	1,364,448	2,130,051		1,546,062	
March ..	530,851	1,256,522	1,787,373		1,203,700	
April ..	611,030	1,283,393	1,794,432		1,143,671	
May ..	558,984	1,200,734	1,759,698	1,767,767	1,157,737	5,296,128
June ..	504,040	1,225,548	1,729,588		1,226,953	
<i>Exports.</i>						
January ..	950,389	2,468,099	3,418,488	834,948	972,145	1,807,093
February ..	1,057,622	2,144,489	3,202,111	874,392	1,882,453	2,756,845
March ..	934,272	1,041,308	1,975,580	975,173	1,189,031	2,144,204
April ..	870,700	654,972	1,525,672	970,948	780,675	1,751,623
May ..	837,092	848,277	1,685,369	1,043,980	995,941	2,039,921
June ..	819,416	699,142	1,518,558	883,367	463,873	1,347,240

VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS—1903 TO 30TH JUNE, 1908.

Year.	Total Value of—					
	Imports.			Exports.		
	Inter-State.	Oversea.	Total.	Inter-State.	Oversea.	Total.
1903 .. .	5,510,556	12,339,615	17,859,171	8,522,056	11,185,012	19,707,068
1904 .. .	7,354,018	12,742,424	20,096,442	8,232,223	16,172,691	24,404,917
1905 .. .	9,380,031	12,957,853	22,337,886	8,730,187	14,028,641	22,758,828
1906 .. .	10,379,239	14,855,163	25,234,402	10,807,972	18,110,020	28,917,992
1907 .. .	11,097,235	17,101,022	28,198,257	11,622,708	17,112,298	28,735,004
1908. End of June	3,532,957	7,811,487	11,344,444	5,582,808	6,264,118	11,846,926

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DESTINATION, QUANTITY, AND VALUE OF EXPORTS THROUGH COOL STORES, QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1908.

Description of Produce.	United Kingdom.		South Africa.		Other Australian States.		Other Ports.		Quantity.	Value.	Total.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.			
Butter	19,056	£ 953	442,024	22,101	793,392	39,919	259,248	12,962	1,518,720	£ 75,935	
Cheese	"	lbs.	"	57,120	67,300	1,553	10,080	231	135,000	3,033	
Milk and Cream	"	"	"	"	386,100	9,652	6,900	172	393,000	9,824	
Ham and Bacon	960	"	"	"	524,380	15,309	"	"	525,340	15,337	
Eggs	420	doz.	28	14	"	"	"	"	"	420	14
Poultry and Game	"	"	194	4,545	"	"	"	"	"	7,014	1,403
Rabbits and Hares	969	"	30,327	10,200	909	42	1,290	258	"	30,841	
Mutton and Lamb	72,854	"	3,546,120	8,240	425	2,076	86	72	3	740,202	
Beef	18,100	"	51,700	120	20,600	300	71,640	1,045	3,645,300	53,105	
Veal	4,000	"	50	50	"	"	800	10	4,800	60	
Pork	1,440	"	24	24	"	"	"	739	93,510	1,558	
Fruit	8,370	"	174	174	630	13	44,370	148	16,360	344	
bushels	3,493	"	1,746	1,746	20	10	450	532	266	4,045	2,022
Total	"	"	85,210	"	25,682	"	66,870	"	15,834	"	193,596

EXPORTS OF CERTAIN ARTICLES THROUGH COOL STORES 1904 TO 1907, AND IN MARCH AND JUNE QUARTERS 1908

Produce.	1904	1905.	1906.	1907.	Quarter ended 31st March, 1908.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1908.
<i>Quantity.</i>						
Butter .. . lbs.	37,948,216	35,917,208	46,009,642	41,654,244	9,578,492	1,518,720
Cheese .. . "	1,072,940	920,520	970,440	1,126,080	243,720	135,000
Milk and Cream .. . "	1,325,500	1,645,700	2,053,100	4,228,700	861,000	393,000
Ham and Bacon .. . "	1,630,000	1,708,800	2,393,920	2,985,360	506,400	525,840
Eggs .. . doz.	45,940	48,570	50,237	65,040	5,100	420
Poultry and Game .. . head	46,820	51,705	72,410	56,275	13,027	7,014
Rabbits and Hares .. . pairs	4,045,036	5,142,928	4,788,466	3,234,378	204,780	740,202
Mutton and Lamb .. . lbs.	12,101,533	22,077,520	34,793,920	33,637,680	8,120,200	3,645,600
Beef .. . "	673,200	629,200	1,473,610	402,000	5,600	4,800
Veal .. . "	1,320,300	928,055	558,990	563,850	96,660	93,510
Pork .. . "	126,320	110,340	203,310	201,960	36,180	16,560
Fruit .. . bushels	95,000	116,603	150,568	175,893	90,642	4,045
Fruit Pulp .. . lbs.	5,342,700	845,900	465,800	180,200	343,800	..
<i>Value.</i>						
Butter .. .	£ 1,744,938	£ 1,763,789	£ 2,208,066	£ 2,082,630	£ 478,924	£ 76,035
Cheese .. .	26,824	23,013	22,237	25,802	5,584	3,093
Milk and Cream .. .	27,614	34,285	51,327	105,716	21,525	9,824
Ham and Bacon .. .	44,643	49,840	69,822	87,346	14,770	15,337
Eggs .. .	2,297	2,429	2,044	2,232	170	14
Poultry and Game .. .	9,364	10,341	16,116	11,255	2,605	1,403
Rabbits and Hares .. .	210,679	267,860	199,518	134,762	12,282	30,841
Mutton and Lamb .. .	181,523	331,162	579,896	514,830	118,418	53,165
Beef .. .	8,415	7,865	18,419	5,774	70	60
Veal .. .	16,503	11,600	10,794	9,445	1,610	1,558
Pork .. .	3,158	2,758	6,007	4,202	752	344
Fruit .. .	47,503	58,301	86,668	87,944	45,319	2,022
Fruit Pulp .. .	66,783	10,753	5,821	2,251	4,297	..
Total .. .	2,390,244	2,573,996	3,277,635	3,074,195	706,326	193,596

AREA AND PRODUCE OF POTATOES 1907-8; ALSO TOTALS FOR 1906-7.

Principal Counties.	Area. acres	Produce.		Principal Counties.	Area. acres	Produce.	
		Total.	Average per Acre.			Total.	Average per Acre.
Bourke .. .	7,826	13,122	1·68	Delatite .. .	..	..	..
Grant .. .	7,396	20,012	2·71	Bula Bula .. .	..	6,143	14,504
Mornington .. .	4,724	11,427	2·42	Remainder of State .. .	..	7,248	18,953
Evelyn .. .	1,363	3,297	2·42	Total 1907-8*	..	54,149	135,110
Dalhousie .. .	4,350	8,014	1·84	" 1906-7*	..	55,372	166,839
Talbot .. .	7,515	15,625	2·08	Decrease .. .	..	1,223	31,729
Polwarth .. .	1,023	3,366	3·28				·51
Villiers .. .	5,223	23,495	4·10				

* These figures include 5,479 acres of early crop in 1907-8, which yielded 15,632 tons, being an average of 2·86 tons per acre; and 5,356 acres in 1906-7, yielding 18,124 tons, or an average of 3·33 tons per acre.

AREA AND PRODUCE OF MAIZE—1907-8; ALSO TOTALS FOR 1906-7.

Principal Counties.	Area..	Produce.		Principal Counties.	Area..	Produce.	
		Total.	Average per Acre.			Total.	Average per Acre.
Delatite .. .	256	8,010	31·60	Remainder of State .. .	..	551	24,240
Bogong .. .	577	17,590	30·50	Total 1907-8	..	10,844	508,761
Croajingolong .. .	1,591	96,255	60·50	" 1906-7	..	11,559	704,961
Tambo .. .	2,544	155,184	61·00	Decrease	715	196,200
Dargo .. .	2,130	83,070	39·00				14·07
Tanjil .. .	3,195	124,323	38·91				

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MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.
Number of Factories	4,151	4,208	4,204	4,360	4,530
Average number of hands employed—					
Males	49,434	50,554	52,925	56,339	59,691
Females	23,795	25,733	27,310	28,890	31,212
Total	73,229	76,287	80,235	85,229	90,903
	£	£	£	£	£
Estimated Value of—					
Machinery, Plant, Land, and Buildings	12,978,841	13,668,185	13,959,157	14,512,465	15,148,100
Fuel and Light used	*	375,214	371,996	409,967	498,454
Materials used	*	13,356,103	15,058,471	17,288,170	18,632,439
Output	*	23,126,180	25,200,648	28,102,480	30,399,945
Wages paid (excluding Working Proprietors)	4,573,795	4,794,365	5,039,115	5,468,470	5,982,677

* Information not collected.

DEFINITION OF A FACTORY.

All establishments employing, on the average, four hands or upwards, also those with less than four hands where machinery is worked by power other than manual, making or repairing for the trade, or for export.

CLASSIFICATION OF FACTORIES ACCORDING TO HANDS EMPLOYED.

Factories of—	1903.		1906.		1907.	
	No. of Factories.	Hands employed.	No. of Factories.	Hands employed.	No. of Factories.	Hands employed.
Under 4 hands	587	1,714	632	1,753	623	1,675
4 hands	487	1,948	591	2,004	591	2,364
5 to 10 hands	1,031	11,293	1,626	11,373	1,624	11,407
11 to 20 hands	722	10,509	776	11,353	811	11,771
21 to 50 hands	471	14,520	517	16,038	550	17,007
51 to 100 hands	135	9,109	164	11,197	179	12,332
Over 100 hands	118	24,136	144	31,511	152	34,347

POWER EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES.

	1903.	1906.	1907.
Steam	1,316	1,255	1,270
Gas	724	709	727
Electric	195	438	558
Oil, Water, Wind, or Horse	242	274	280
Manual	1,674	1,684	1,695
Number of Factories	4,151	4,360	4,530

ESTIMATED AREA UNDER WHEAT, SEASON 1908-9.

District.	Area under Wheat (grain and hay), 1907-8.	Estimated area under Wheat (grain and hay), 1908-9.		
		On Fallow Land.	On Unfallow Land.	Total.
Western (Ripon) ..	acres 63,172	acres 37,800	acres 28,100	acres 65,900
Wimmera ..	638,085	432,600	182,600	615,200
Mallee District ..	621,782	149,300	348,500	597,800
Northern District ..	625,895	275,300	401,800	677,100
Remainder of State ..	108,514	31,400	97,800	129,200
Total ..	2,058,048	926,400	1,158,800	2,085,200
Grain ..	1,847,121	..	..	1,885,200
Hay ..	210,927	..	..	200,000

STOCKS OF WHEAT AND FLOUR IN VICTORIA ON 30TH JUNE, 1908.
(Compiled from information received from Holders.)

Where located,	Wheat.	Flour (equivalent in Wheat).	Total.
On Railway Stations and in Transit	178,949	bushels 22,100	bushels 201,049
On Sites leased from Railways	2,610,904	101,400	2,712,304
In Mills and Stores (other than those on Railway premises)	2,014,868	1,221,000	3,236,768
On Farms	1,317,025	..	1,317,025
Total	6,121,746	1,345,400	7,467,146

ESTIMATED AREA UNDER OATS, 1908-9.

Estimated Area under Oats, Season 1908-9 (based on information furnished by Farmers).

Districts and Counties.	Area under Oats (Grain and Hay), 1907-8.	Estimated Area under Oats (Grain and Hay), 1908-9.
acres	acres	
Central District—		
Bourke	65,091	55,000
Grant	60,430	64,000
North-Central District—		
Dalhousie	28,747	31,000
Talbot	47,326	49,400
Western District—		
Ripon	29,499	35,200
Wimmera District—		
Lowan	51,595	63,900
Borung	66,069	69,100
Kara Kara	38,345	43,500
Mallee District—		
Karkaroc	33,240	24,900
Tatchera	27,887	30,300
Northern District—		
Gunbower	15,616	19,800
Gladstone	37,449	45,100
Bendigo	36,181	40,200
Rodney	28,364	30,900
Moira	60,107	70,700
North-Eastern District—		
Delatite	23,644	29,300
Remainder of State	199,942	167,300
Total	858,941	869,600
Grain	398,749	..
Hay	460,192	..

VITICULTURAL STATISTICS.
Area under and Produce of Vines, 1907-8 and 1906-7.

Principal Shires.	Area.	Produce.					
		Total Grapes Gathered.	Wine made.	Raisins made.		Currants made.	
				Ordinary.	Sultanas.		
Lilydale	563	5,580	38,900	45	..	41	
Stawell	998	11,678	65,730	..	..	..
Ararat	772	13,601	84,970	589	..	..
Mildura	7,572	251,804	2,305	37,048	27,751	7,597	
Rodney	735	21,558	10,720	224	30	1,698	
Benalla	1,194	15,119	72,372	850	72	544	
Tungamah	560	2,231	1,900	143	7	188	
North Ovens	675	10,562	48,890	11	..	..
Rutherford	6,724	124,984	742,926	58	200	53	
Yackandandah	1,393	27,311	129,000	54	..	..
Remainder of State	5,249	51,376	167,887	1,312	223	419	
Total 1907-8	*28,435	*535,804	*1,365,600	*40,334	28,283	10,440	
Total 1906-7	*25,855	752,826	2,044,833	54,843	43,284	11,730	
Increase	580	217,022	679,233	14,509	15,001	1,290	
Decrease .. .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..

* Including 3,131 acres not bearing in 1907-8, and 2,487 acres not bearing in 1906-7.

† Of this total the estimated quantity of grapes used for making wine was 195,088 cwt.; for making raisins, sultanas, and currants, 274,211 cwt.; and for table consumption and export, 66,607 cwt.

‡ Including 3,063 cwt. of dried muscats for table use, of which 2,112 cwt. were dried at Mildura.

ORCHARDS AND GARDENS.

RETURN showing the principal kinds of Fruit gathered in Orchards and Gardens where Fruit was grown for sale, as returned by the Growers, also the quantity of Dried Fruit made, for the seasons 1907-8 and 1906-7.

	Fruit.	Quantity Gathered.	
		1907-8.	1906-7.
		bushels	bushels
Apples	618,424	1,010,381
Pears	182,609	303,647
Quinces	47,871	77,277
Plums	157,366	237,468
Cherries	71,798	120,496
Peaches	290,178	276,077
Apricots	239,735	258,049
Oranges	28,620	23,431
Lemons	46,827	37,662
Figs	20,460	29,549
Other Large Fruits	10,753	16,817
Total Large Fruits	1,714,641	2,390,854
		cwt.	cwt.
Raspberries	12,466	13,816
Strawberries	3,645	5,487
Gooseberries	8,526	12,276
Mulberries	235	859
Blackberries	1,480	772
Cape Gooseberries	92	193
Olives	338	939
Currants (Red, White, and Black)	3,705	2,054
Total Small Fruits	30,487	36,396
		lbs.	lbs.
Almonds	62,921	69,378
Walnuts	20,266	15,863
Filberts	1,928	5,339
Chestnuts	5,047	3,500
Total Nuts	90,162	94,086

NOTE.—On the area growing fruit for sale, 5,241 growers cultivated 42,212 acres in 1907-8, and 5,367 growers cultivated 49,086 acres in 1906-7.

	Fruit.	Dried Fruit.	
		1907-8.	1906-7.
		lbs.	lbs.
Apples	35,544	42,113
Prunes	25,504	64,648
Peaches	87,383	109,958
Apricots	223,091	143,970
Figs	13,112	37,716
Pears	8,077	..

