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VICTORIA.
QUARTERLY STATISTICAL ABSTRACT
TO 31st DECEMBER, 1915.

COMPILED FROM OFFICIAL RETURNS IN THE OFFICE OF THE
GOVERNMENT STATIST.

QUARTERLY STATISTICAL ABSTRACT, 31ST DECEMBER, 1915.

Population.—The estimated population on 30th June, 1915, was 1,426,415; on 30th September, 1915, it was 1,423,418—thus showing a decrease of 2,997 persons. The natural increase in the population was 4,433, but there was a loss by emigration of 7,430 persons, which included the members of the Australian Expeditionary Force who departed for the front. During the quarter Victoria gained from the United Kingdom 147 persons, from South Australia 59 persons, and from Tasmania 1,641 persons, but lost 2,358 of population to New South Wales, 205 to Queensland, and 88 to Western Australia.

Vital Statistics.—For the whole State there were 12,832 marriages, 35,010 births, and 15,823 deaths for the year 1915, as compared with 11,830, 36,225, and 16,503 respectively for the previous year. Of the total deaths 943 were due to phthisis, 193 to other tubercular diseases, 1,161 to cancer, 86 to typhoid fever, 338 to cerebro-spinal meningitis, and 203 to diphtheria, as against 1,031, 196, 1,185, 106, 17, and 211 respectively in 1914. In Melbourne and suburbs the births were 17,732, or 35 fewer, and the deaths were 8,574, or 35 fewer than in the previous year. Of the metropolitan deaths 527 occurred from phthisis, 116 from other tubercular diseases, 660 from cancer, 27 from typhoid fever, 134 from diphtheria, and 63 from whooping cough, as compared with 593, 132, 699, 38, 116, and 58 respectively in 1914. The deaths of infants under one year of age numbered 1,417, which was equivalent to a death rate of 8·00 per 100 births, as against a rate of 8·45 for the preceding year.

State Revenue and Expenditure.—The total revenue for the quarter was £2,426,826, which represents an increase of £97,807 on that for the corresponding quarter of the previous year. The principal items of revenue were—Railways, £1,377,983; Probate Duty, £109,306; Interest, £108,398; and Stamp Duty, £91,257. The total expenditure was £2,924,521, a decrease of £120,510 on that for the corresponding quarter of 1914.

Railways.—Compared with the corresponding quarter of the preceding year the revenue of the Railway Department increased by £66,911, but the expenditure decreased by £5,954. The tonnage of goods and live stock carried fell off to the extent of 84,582, but the number of passengers carried was 919,160 greater in December quarter, 1915, than in the same period of 1914.

Victorian Banking Returns.—On the 31st December the liabilities to the public of the Associated and Commonwealth Banks were £55,581,108, and the assets £59,091,515, as against £51,575,850 and £51,568,494 on the 31st December, 1914. The reserves of the Associated Banks amounted to £11,972,407, and their paid-up capital to £17,027,160. The ratio of coin, bullion, and notes to the liabilities of all the banks was 27·05 per cent.

Savings Banks.—On the 31st December the amount at credit of the 741,130 depositors in the State Savings Banks was £24,799,741. During the quarter 27,118 accounts were opened, and 22,600 were closed; the deposits made were £4,688,099, and the withdrawals £4,640,744.

Gold Yield.—The gold yield for December quarter was 86,281 ounces.

Imports and Exports.—The total value of oversea imports into Victoria during the quarter under review was £6,391,224, and the total oversea exports during the same period were valued at £3,651,811, as compared with £4,691,468 and £4,296,296 respectively in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. The oversea imports for the year 1915 were valued at £23,729,268 and the oversea exports at £11,975,576; these figures represent an increase of £619,590 and a decrease of £2,815,545 respectively on those for 1914.

Exports of Frozen, Preserved, and Perishable Products.—For the quarter ended 31st December, 1915, the total value of these exports oversea through Cool Stores was £461,418, of which £409,779 were destined for the United Kingdom, £253 for South Africa, and £51,386 for Eastern and other ports. The principal exports were—Butter, valued at £417,346; Mutton and Lamb, £33,053; and Milk and Cream, £9,420.

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23rd February, 1916.

ESTIMATED POPULATION OF VICTORIA ON 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.*

Third Quarter, 1915.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Estimated Population, 30th June, 1915	..	..	705,305	721,110	1,426,415
Births	4,500	4,313	..	..	..
Deaths	2,466	1,914	..	..	..
Natural Increase	..	..	2,034	2,399	4,433
			707,339	723,509	1,430,848
Migration by Sea—					
Arrivals	12,374	5,982	..	..	..
Departures (as adjusted)	17,470	5,841	..	..	..
Loss seawards	..	..	5,096	†141	4,955
			702,243	723,650	1,425,893
Migration by Land—					
Arrivals	30,886	11,107	..	..	..
Departures (as adjusted)	31,979	12,489	..	..	..
Loss by Land	..	..	1,093	1,382	2,475
Estimated Population on 30th September, 1915 (exclusive of full-blooded aborigines)	..	..	701,150	722,268	1,423,418
Full-blooded Aborigines at Census, 2nd April, 1911	..	..	103	93	196

NOTE.—The arrivals overseas include 2,222 soldiers and 17 nurses, and the departures 8,494 soldiers and 98 nurses, members of the Australian Expeditionary Force.

* The estimated population on 31st December, 1915, cannot be given on account of the migration returns for the December quarter not being to hand when this was sent to press.

† Gain.

MOVEMENTS OF POPULATION.

Migration by Sea and Rail as recorded: Quarter ended 30th September, 1915.

Place of Departure or Destination.	Arrivals.	Departures (as recorded).	Excess of—Arrivals (+) Departures (—)
By Sea—			
Inter-State—			
New South Wales	4,730	4,666	+64
Queensland	1,041	1,246	-205
South Australia	529	542	-13
Western Australia	1,311	1,399	-88
Tasmania	6,769	5,128	+1,641
Northern Territory	13	11	+2
Total Inter-State	14,393	12,992	+1,401
Overseas			
British—			
United Kingdom	705	558	+147
Canada	..	..	..
Cape Colony	56	18	+38
Fiji	34	42	-8
Hong Kong	99	128	-29
India and Ceylon	143	83	+60
Natal	19	36	-17
New Zealand	465	374	+91
Papua	7	..	+7
Straits Settlements	3	2	+1
Other British Possessions	68	121	-53
Total British Countries	1,599	1,362	+237
Foreign—			
China	33	..	+33
France	17	79	-62
Germany	..	..	..
Italy	9	7	+2
Japan	12	13	-1
South Sea Islands	7	4	+3
United States	19	52	-33
Other Foreign Countries	28	12	+16
Total Foreign Countries	125	167	-42
Total Overseas Countries	1,724	1,529	+195
Total Seaward	16,117	14,521	+1,596
By Rail—			
New South Wales	32,317	34,739	-2,422
South Australia	9,676	9,604	+72
Total by Rail	41,993	44,343	-2,350
Grand Total	58,110*	58,864*	-754

* Exclusive of members of the Australian Expeditionary Force.

VITAL STATISTICS.

	Year.				Quarter Ended in 1915.				Year. 1915.
	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	31st March.	30th June.	30th September.	31st December.	
Metropolitan District—									
Marriages	6,564	7,325	7,021	7,425	1,635	1,953	2,577	2,328	8,493
Births—Males	7,434	8,504	8,888	9,046	2,101	2,379	2,271	2,305	9,056
" Females	7,129	8,375	8,509	8,721	2,145	2,186	2,207	2,138	8,676
Deaths—Males	3,985	4,537	4,153	4,529	961	1,081	1,318	1,273	4,633
" Females	3,630	4,085	3,807	4,080	819	956	1,092	1,074	3,941
Other Urban Districts—									
Marriages	2,138	2,041	2,112	2,049	454	518	613	587	2,172
Births—Males	3,488	3,635	3,582	3,650	865	858	846	822	3,391
" Females	3,242	3,505	3,376	3,287	786	909	787	704	3,186
Deaths—Males	2,010	2,078	2,025	2,112	467	466	534	441	1,908
" Females	1,499	1,583	1,465	1,545	330	320	353	372	1,375
Rural Districts—									
Marriages	2,386	2,372	2,191	2,356	446	525	610	577	2,167
Births—Males	6,022	6,105	5,966	5,853	1,323	1,435	1,383	1,233	5,374
" Females	5,729	5,693	5,657	5,668	1,324	1,401	1,319	1,283	5,327
Deaths—Males	2,361	2,462	2,318	2,376	560	576	614	569	2,310
" Females	1,732	1,850	1,707	1,861	387	389	460	402	1,647
Total State—									
Marriages	11,088	11,738	11,324	11,830	2,535	2,996	3,809	3,492	12,832
Births—Males	16,944	18,244	18,436	18,540	4,289	4,672	4,500	4,360	17,821
" Females	16,100	17,573	17,542	17,676	4,255	4,496	4,313	4,125	17,189
Deaths—Males	8,356	9,077	8,496	9,017	1,988	2,123	2,466	2,283	8,860
" Females	6,861	7,518	6,979	7,486	1,536	1,665	1,914	1,848	6,963
Excess of Births over Deaths	17,827	19,222	20,503	19,722	5,020	5,380	4,433	4,254	19,087

DEATHS FROM CERTAIN DISEASES.

Cause of Death.	NUMBER OF DEATHS.								Year. 1915.
	Year.				Quarter Ended in 1915.				
	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	31st March.	30th June.	30th September.	31st December.	
Metropolitan District—									
Typhoid Fever	34	29	29	38	11	6	5	5	27
Diphtheria and Croup	130	130	122	116	19	39	30	46	134
Measles	39	54	17	82	2	9	1	..	12
Phthisis	590	616	563	593	144	123	131	129	527
Other Tubercular Diseases	155	124	141	132	25	22	33	36	116
Cancer	599	695	674	699	164	165	166	165	660
Other Urban Districts—									
Typhoid Fever	36	42	38	51	21	11	5	3	40
Diphtheria and Croup	49	67	65	45	6	13	7	7	33
Measles	9	12	14	7	5	..	1	..	6
Phthisis	253	237	257	210	57	47	46	54	204
Other Tubercular Diseases	52	45	42	27	3	9	9	18	39
Cancer	240	256	227	237	68	49	52	67	236
Rural Districts—									
Typhoid Fever	25	27	28	17	11	6	..	2	19
Diphtheria and Croup	58	60	58	50	6	14	11	5	36
Measles	26	21	14	16	2	9	2	1	14
Phthisis	265	234	233	228	33	47	82	50	212
Other Tubercular Diseases	39	40	34	37	8	11	13	6	38
Cancer	261	274	267	249	55	66	78	66	265
Total State—									
Typhoid Fever	95	98	95	106	43	23	10	10	86
Diphtheria and Croup	237	257	245	211	31	66	48	58	203
Measles	74	87	45	105	9	18	4	1	32
Phthisis	1,108	1,087	1,053	1,031	234	217	259	233	943
Other Tubercular Diseases	246	209	217	196	36	42	55	60	193
Cancer	1,100	1,225	1,168	1,185	287	280	296	298	1,161

MEAN POPULATION, AND BIRTHS AND DEATHS IN GREATER MELBOURNE FOR THE YEAR 1915.

Sub-districts.	Mean Population 1915.	Births.					Deaths.			Excess of Births over Deaths.
		Including Twins and Illegitimate Children.			Cases of Twins.	Illegitimate Children.	Both Sexes.	Males.	Females.	
		Both Sexes.	Males.	Females.						
Melbourne City—Bourke Ward ..	13,490	242	129	113	4	21	101	53	48	141
" Gipps Ward ..	7,090	34	18	16	1	4	28	21	7	6
" Lonsdale Ward ..	2,740	8	5	3	..	4	24	20	4	16
" La Trobe Ward ..	3,900	15	6	9	..	3	38	21	17	23
" Albert Ward ..	9,390	215	106	109	1	18	136	62	74	79
" Smith Ward ..	15,200	241	134	107	2	53	138	75	63	103
" Victoria Ward ..	22,100	774	406	368	13	107	195	98	97	579
" Hopetoun Ward ..	32,080	787	397	390	10	36	213	104	109	574
Fitzroy City ..	35,450	817	425	392	10	112	316	167	149	501
Collingwood City ..	36,020	773	420	353	6	33	274	113	161	499
Richmond City ..	41,550	1,220	595	625	14	78	347	171	176	873
Brunswick City ..	38,550	1,110	566	544	14	44	297	160	137	813
Northcote City ..	23,440	763	377	386	8	34	180	83	97	583
Prahran City ..	48,480	1,218	602	616	12	65	414	202	212	804
South Melbourne City ..	48,350	971	476	495	13	45	379	196	183	592
Port Melbourne Town ..	13,600	302	163	139	4	9	111	59	52	191
St. Kilda City ..	30,100	590	309	281	6	61	279	151	128	311
Brighton Town ..	16,400	359	184	175	4	9	124	69	55	235
Essendon City ..	30,400	848	425	423	8	35	228	110	118	620
Hawthorn City ..	28,270	542	259	283	5	11	208	100	108	334
Kew Town ..	11,780	295	150	145	1	5	89	30	59	206
Footscray City ..	28,970	993	517	476	12	25	258	144	114	735
Williamstown Town ..	17,320	445	235	210	6	12	186	96	90	259
Oakleigh Borough ..	4,470	154	80	74	..	5	43	20	23	111
Caulfield City ..	22,450	614	316	298	5	11	154	71	83	460
Malvern City ..	23,350	501	254	247	5	9	187	91	96	314
Camberwell City ..	17,100	331	178	153	3	5	117	46	71	214
Preston Shire ..	7,080	169	94	75	3	..	40	23	17	129
Coburg Town ..	13,160	299	157	142	2	7	101	49	52	198
Remainder of District ..	28,800	626	318	308	9	11	226	122	104	400
Hospitals, Asylums, &c. ..	5,340	1,476	755	721	16	623	3,143	1,906	1,237	1,667
Shipping in Hobson's Bay and River ..	2,580	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	679,000	17,732	9,056	8,676	197	1,495	8,574	4,633	3,941	9,158

THE BIRTHS AND DEATHS IN GREATER MELBOURNE, together with the Mean Temperature in the Shade, the Mean Atmospheric Pressure, and the Amount of Rainfall, and the number of days on which rain fell during each of the five years, 1911 to 1915, were as follow :—

Year.	Number of—		Mean Temperature.	Mean Height of Barometer.	Rain.	
	Births.	Deaths.			Number of—	
					Inches.	Days.
1911	14,563	7,615	58.6	30.008	36.61	168
1912	16,879	8,622	58.5	30.022	20.37	157
1913	17,397	7,960	58.5	30.029	21.17	157
1914	17,767	8,609	59.9	30.106	18.57	129
1915	17,732	8,574	58.7	29.967	20.95	167

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

Month.	Deaths from—																			
	Diphtheria and Croup.					Typhoid Fever.					Tuberculosis of Lungs.					Other Tubercular Diseases.				
	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915
January	4	9	7	9	8	3	6	7	7	5	43	37	49	52	50	11	11	15	12	9
February	5	8	5	7	10	2	3	6	12	3	41	44	33	35	48	12	4	12	10	8
March	9	4	5	4	6	8	6	5	8	3	42	40	38	46	51	13	8	12	14	8
April	7	18	3	8	11	6	8	2	NH	3	46	53	28	49	43	13	18	15	14	8
May	19	8	16	11	14	4	2	1	3	NH	48	53	51	43	39	12	10	17	6	8
June	11	17	17	16	14	4	1	2	NH	3	40	55	46	56	41	20	8	8	13	6
July	10	9	19	11	9	NH	NH	3	1	2	56	72	44	47	45	11	10	7	4	14
August	11	17	18	16	13	2	NH	NH	2	2	58	65	68	62	47	13	11	8	7	9
September	11	8	8	10	8	NH	NH	2	1	1	81	50	55	61	39	11	8	13	19	10
October	17	10	8	9	19	NH	1	NH	2	1	52	54	49	44	43	16	11	11	13	10
November	13	10	9	11	8	3	1	1	1	NH	52	55	56	51	45	14	18	14	11	14
December	13	12	7	4	19	2	3	NH	1	4	52	38	46	47	41	9	14	8	9	12
Total	180	130	122	116	134	34	29	29	38	27	590	616	563	593	527	155	124	141	132	116

BIRTHS IN BALLARAT, BENDIGO, AND GEELONG FOR EACH OF THE FIVE YEARS, 1911 TO 1915.

Year.	Ballarat and Suburbs.		Bendigo and Suburbs.		Geelong and Suburbs.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
1911 ..	554	537	643	630	388	349
1912 ..	567	558	663	664	461	411
1913 ..	562	555	661	603	462	425
1914 ..	582	523	651	577	485	435
1915 ..	542	503	578	511	528	466

DEATHS FROM CERTAIN DISEASES IN GREATER MELBOURNE FOR EACH OF THE FIVE YEARS, 1911 TO 1915.

Year.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Influenza.	Whooping Cough.	Diphtheria.	Typhoid Fever.	Hydaids.	Erysipelas.	Cancer.	Tubercular Diseases.		Child-bearing (includes Puerpera Fever).
										Phthisis.	Other Tubercular Diseases.	
1911 ...	39	4	57	13	130	34	18	16	599	590	155	66
1912 ...	54	2	77	117	130	29	13	12	695	616	124	72
1913 ..	17	4	39	27	122	29	11	12	674	563	141	84
1914 ...	82	2	33	58	116	38	11	9	699	593	132	95
1915 ...	12	6	32	63	134	27	15	11	660	527	116	76

AGES AT DEATH, MELBOURNE, BALLARAT, BENDIGO, AND GEELONG, FOR THE YEAR 1915.

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 ..	815	602	56	33	48	36	41	29
1 and under 5 years ..	223	197	14	9	17	21	10	14
5 " 15 " ..	135	132	12	11	8	12	11	4
15 " 25 " ..	286	199	10	17	11	10	10	9
25 " 35 " ..	318	281	17	19	20	15	11	8
35 " 45 " ..	322	319	27	20	32	20	12	9
45 " 55 " ..	524	424	42	38	65	25	21	15
55 " 65 " ..	648	432	32	30	39	30	27	19
65 " 75 " ..	591	571	51	60	45	31	29	31
75 " 85 " ..	572	570	83	70	79	54	35	33
85 years and upwards ..	199	214	40	21	30	10	15	20
Total ..	4,633	3,941	384	328	394	264	222	191

DEATHS FROM EACH CAUSE IN MELBOURNE, BALLARAT, BENDIGO, AND GEELONG FOR THE YEAR 1915.

Cause 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	12	5	5	8	2	2	..
Malaria	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..
Measles	9	3	..	..	1	..	1	..
Scarlet Fever	3	3	..	..	..	1	1	..
Whooping Cough	35	28	2	..	2	1	2	..
Diphtheria and Croup	68	66	3	2	3	1	5	2
Influenza	15	17	..	1	2	1	1	2
Dysentery	2	4	..	..	2	1	..	2
Erysipelas	9	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Purulent Infection and Septicæmia	14	22	1	..	1	1	1	1
Tetanus	7	1	..	..	1	..	..	..
Tuberculosis of the Lungs	291	236	25	18	36	15	8	7
Acute Miliary Tuberculosis	4	8	..	..	..	1	1	..
Tuberculous Meningitis	19	22	2	4	1	4	2	..
Abdominal Tuberculosis	6	14	..	2	..	..	..	1
Pott's Disease	5	2	..	..	1	..	..	..
White Swellings	4	4	..	..	..	1	..	..
Tuberculosis of Other Organs	7	4	..	..	..	..	1	1
Disseminated Tuberculosis	5	12	1	..	1	..	..	..
Rickets	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Syphilis	20	14	..	1	2	1	..	..
Gonococcus Infection	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cancer, &c., of the Buccal Cavity	47	4	1	1	2	..	..	..
Cancer, &c., of the Stomach, Liver	110	113	12	8	2	6	10	6
Cancer, &c., of the Peritoneum, Intestines, Rectum	40	42	3	3	4	1	2	1
Cancer, &c., of the Female Genital Organs .. .. .	..	57	..	4	..	3	..	3
Cancer, &c., of the Breast .. .. .	..	65	..	6	..	2	..	4
Cancer, &c., of the Skin	15	8	2	..	3	..	1	..
Cancer, &c., of other and unspecified organs	88	71	..	2	7	2	3	2
Other Tumours (Tumours of Female Genital Organs excepted)	2	5	..	2	..	1	..	..
Acute Articular Rheumatism	20	18	..	2	1	3	1	1
Chronic Rheumatism and Gout	15	26	..	4	..	..	1	..
Diabetes	40	48	2	5	2	2	1	..
Exophthalmic Goitre .. .. .	..	7	1	..	..	2	..	..
Addison's Disease	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Leucæmia	7	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Anæmia, Chlorosis	29	26	2	4	1	2	1	..
Other General Diseases	5	7	1	..	1	1	..	..
Acute and Chronic Alcoholism	22	8	2	..	1	..	..	..
Chronic Lead Poisoning	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Other Chronic Poisonings .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
II.—DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM AND OF THE ORGANS OF SPECIAL SENSE.								
Encephalitis	6	5	..	2	..	..	..	2
Simple Meningitis	35	22	4	4	5	3	3	1
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	188	79	12	5	4	2	3	4
Locomotor Ataxia	7	4	3	..	1	..	..	..
Infantile Paralysis .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..
Other Diseases of the Spinal Cord	16	20	..	1	..	..	1	3
Cerebral Hæmorrhage, Apoplexy	153	184	18	24	13	11	6	12
Softening of the Brain	7	5	..	3	..	..	..	2
Paralysis without specified cause	29	36	..	2	1	1	..	1
General Paralysis of the Insane	26	4	3	..	..	..	..	..
Other Forms of Mental Alienation	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	..
Epilepsy	9	9	1	5	1	2	1	1
Convulsions (non-puerperal) .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..
Convulsions of Infants	18	18	3	..	2	2	..	2
Chorea .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Neuralgia and Neuritis	1	6	..	..	..	1	..	..
Other Diseases of the Nervous System	16	21	1	1	1	1	1	..
Diseases of the Ears	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
III.—DISEASES OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.								
Pericarditis	11	2	..	..	..	..	1	..
Acute Endocarditis	21	37	..	2	1	1	..	1
Organic Diseases of the Heart	417	338	43	30	32	38	22	12
Angina Pectoris	14	6	..	..	..	..	3	1
Diseases of the Arteries, Atheroma, Aneurism, &c.	90	49	5	3	2	3	5	3
Embolism and Thrombosis	17	28	1	3	2	..	2	2
Diseases of the Veins (Varices, Phlebitis, Hæmorrhoids)	3	1	..	1	..	1	..	..
Diseases of the Lymphatic System, Lymphangitis, &c. .. .. .	..	4	1	..	1	..	..	..
Hæmorrhage, Other Diseases of the Circulatory System	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
IV.—DISEASES OF THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.								
Diseases of the Larynx	5	6	1	..	..	1	..	..
Diseases of the Thyroid Body .. .. .	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Acute Bronchitis	26	13	5	3	1	1	..	1
Chronic Bronchitis	68	75	13	6	9	4	3	1

DEATHS FROM EACH CAUSE IN MELBOURNE, BALLARAT, BENDIGO, AND GEELONG FOR THE YEAR 1915—continued.

Cause of Death.	Melbourne and Suburbs.		Ballarat and Suburbs.		Bendigo and Suburbs.		Geelong and Suburbs.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
IV.—DISEASES OF THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM—continued.								
Broncho-pneumonia	184	138	5	9	14	8	6	4
Pneumonia	234	162	16	18	22	11	12	13
Pleurisy	17	4	3	..	2	1	..	..
Pulmonary Congestion, Pulmonary Apoplexy..	22	13	4	1	3	..	4	3
Gangrene of the Lungs	4	4	1	1	2	..	..	..
Asthma	16	15	2	2	5	3	2	3
Pulmonary Emphysema	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hydatids of the Lungs	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Diseases of the Respiratory System (Tuberculosis excepted)	16	4	5	..	28	2	..	2
V.—DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.								
Diseases of the Mouth and Adnexa	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases of the Pharynx	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Diseases of the Oesophagus	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ulcer of the Stomach	13	6	2	2	3	..	2	..
Other Diseases of the Stomach (Cancer excepted)	15	20	4	3	..	2	2	2
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under two years) ..	198	155	16	6	15	18	17	11
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (two years and over)..	59	52	8	7	4	6	4	9
Appendicitis, Typhlitis	32	19	2	3	2	3	2	1
Hernia, Intestinal Obstruction	38	41	7	4	4	3	2	1
Other Diseases of the Intestines	4	13	1	1	..	..	..	..
Acute Yellow Atrophy of the Liver	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hydatid Tumours of the Liver	5	6	..	1	1	1	..	..
Cirrhosis of the Liver	35	28	1	1	2	5	2	1
Biliary Calculi	6	17	..	1	..	..	..	..
Other Diseases of the Liver	20	23	5	1	3	2	2	..
Diseases of the Spleen	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Simple Peritonitis (non-puerperal)	7	25	..	1	..	..	..	..
Other Diseases of the Digestive System (Cancer and Tuberculosis excepted) .. .. .	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
VI.—NON-VENEREAL DISEASES OF THE GENITO-URINARY SYSTEM AND ADNEXA..								
Acute Nephritis	18	23	..	2	1	1	..	7
Bright's Disease	269	225	7	6	9	6	6	7
Other Diseases of the Kidneys and Adnexa ..	13	17	1	2	..	4	..	1
Calculi of the Urinary Passages	3	1	..	..	1	..	1	..
Diseases of the Bladder	21	11	3	..	2	1	3	..
Diseases of the Urethra, Urinary Abscess, &c.	4	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Diseases of the Prostate	34	..	4	..	1	..	4	..
Non-veneral Diseases of the Male Genital Organs	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Uterine Hæmorrhage (non-puerperal) .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Uterine Tumour (non-cancerous) .. .. .	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Diseases of the Uterus .. .. .	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cysts and other Ovarian Tumours .. .. .	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	1
Salpingitis and other Diseases of the Female Genital Organs .. .. .	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	1
VII.—PUERPERAL STATE.								
Accidents of Pregnancy .. .. .	..	17	..	..	..	1	..	..
Puerperal Hæmorrhage .. .. .	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Accidents of Labour .. .. .	..	11	..	2	..	..	..	..
Puerperal Septicæmia .. .. .	..	23	..	2	..	3	..	1
Puerperal Albuminuria and Convulsions ..	..	12	..	1	..	1	..	..
Puerperal Phlegmasia alba dolens, Embolus, Sudden Death .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
VIII.—DISEASES OF THE SKIN AND OF THE CELLULAR TISSUE.								
Gangrene.. .. .	6	3	..	2	2	1	1	1
Furuncle.. .. .	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Acute Abscess	20	9	1	1	1	1	..	..
Other Diseases of the Skin and Adnexa ..	5	3	..	..	1	..	..	..
IX.—DISEASES OF THE BONES AND THE ORGANS OF LOCOMOTION.								
Non-tuberculous Diseases of the Bones ..	14	2	..	..	1	1	..	..
Diseases of the Joints (Tuberculosis and Rheumatism excepted)	2	1	1
Other Diseases of the Organs of Locomotion ..	1	1	..

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Cause of Death.	Melbourne and Suburbs.		Ballarat and Suburbs.		Bendigo and Suburbs.		Geelong and Suburbs.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
X.—MALFORMATIONS.								
Congenital Malformations (still-births not included)	52	36	1	2	1	4	3	1
XI.—DISEASES OF EARLY INFANCY.								
Congenital Debility, Icterus, and Sclerema	123	80	11	3	8	3	3	5
Premature Birth	209	150	13	7	9	3	9	7
Other Diseases peculiar to early infancy	62	33	2	3	4	2	1	..
Lack of Care (infants)	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII.—OLD AGE.								
Senility	344	373	61	54	57	26	20	27
XIII.—VIOLENCE.								
Suicide by Poison	9	9	..	..	1	..	..	..
Suicide by Asphyxia	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Suicide by Hanging or Strangulation	8	4	1	..	1	..	..	..
Suicide by Drowning	3	5	..	..	..	1	..	1
Suicide by Firearms	20	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Suicide by Cutting or Piercing Instruments	9	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Suicide by Jumping from High Places	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Suicide by Crushing	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Suicides	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Poisoning by Food	1	3	2	..	..	..	..	..
Snake and Insect Bites	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Acute Poisonings	3	5	1	1	..	1	1	..
Conflagration	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Burns (Conflagration excepted)	13	11	..	..	1	2	..	1
Absorption of Deleterious Gases	5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Suffocation	4	9	..	..	..	..	..	..
Accidental Drowning	42	9	1	2	..	2	4	2
Traumatism by Firearms	2	1	1	..	1	..	..	..
Traumatism by Fall	34	5	..	..	2	..	2	..
Traumatism in Mines and Quarries	3	..	1	..	1	..	..	..
Traumatism by Machines	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	..
Traumatism by other Crushing	70	22	4	1	4	..	..	..
Injuries by Animals	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Excessive Cold	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
Effects of Heat	5	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Electricity (Lightning excepted)	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Homicide by Firearms	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Homicide by Cutting Instruments	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Homicide by other Means	5	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unspecified Fractures	10	8	2	..	4	1	2	..
Other External Violence	29	4	..	1	1	..	2	..
XIV.—ILL-DEFINED DISEASES.								
Ill-defined Organic Diseases	3	7	..	..	1	1	..	..
Sudden Death	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..
Ill-defined and Unspecified Causes	16	12	..	2	2	3	..	1
Total All Causes	4,633	3,941	384	328	394	264	222	191

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, CENTRAL WEATHER BUREAU, MELBOURNE, QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1915.
(As supplied by the Commonwealth Meteorologist.)

Detail.	Month of October.	Month of November.	Month of December.
Temperature—Highest in the shade °	84·7 on 11th ..	92·0 on 4th and 9th	101·0 on 28th
Lowest in the shade °	34·0 on 6th ..	40·7 on 23rd ..	46·2 on 8th
Mean in the shade °	56·6	60·4	63·8
Mean Maximum °	65·6	70·9	73·5
Mean Minimum °	47·7	50·0	54·0
Greatest daily range °	33·5 on 6th ..	39·7 on 9th ..	40·2 on 28th
Average during corresponding month of previous ten years °	57·4	62·1	64·6
Number of days on which the thermometer fell to 32° or under .. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Number of days on which the thermometer rose to 100° or over .. ..	.. ..	.. ..	1
Barometer—Maximum inches	30·486 on 6th ..	30·279 on 23rd ..	30·253 on 21st
Minimum "	29·620 on 12th ..	29·336 on 14th ..	29·630 on 13th
Mean "	29·925	29·881	29·973
Rain—Number of Days	19	11	6
" Inches	2·83	0·51	0·55
Average Rainfall in corresponding month of previous ten years inches	1·93	1·78	2·80
Fog occurred—Number of days	1 .. ..	.. ..	1
Mean Humidity per cent.	60	52	58

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, CENTRAL WEATHER BUREAU, MELBOURNE, DURING THE YEAR 1915.
(As supplied by the Commonwealth Meteorologist.)

Detail.	
Temperature—Highest in the shade °	103·8 on 15th February
Lowest in the shade °	32·7 on 15th July
Mean in the shade °	58·7
Mean Maximum °	67·1
Mean Minimum °	50·4
Greatest daily range °	44·5 on 5th January
Average of previous ten years °	58·6
Number of days on which the thermometer rose to 100° or over	6
Number of days on which the thermometer fell to 32° or under .. ..	.. ..
Barometer—Maximum inches	30·509 on 30th April
Minimum "	29·153 on 13th September
Mean "	29·967
Rain—Number of Days	167
" Inches	20·95
Average rainfall of previous ten years inches	23·51
Fog occurred—Number of Days	19
Mean Humidity per cent.	63

PRINCIPAL SOURCES OF STATE REVENUE.

Head of Receipt.	Year ended 31st December.		Quarter ended 31st March, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th September, 1915.	Quarter ended 31st December, 1915.
	1913.	1914.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Land Tax	286,388	306,592	34,316	240,948	29,699	29,057
Income Tax	500,533	509,612	151,665	340,402	17,737	12,625
Probate Duty	452,918	461,964	114,517	196,774	76,936	109,306
Stamp Duty	258,564	260,206	66,051	92,232	93,736	91,257
Alienation of Crown Lands	109,822	97,926	39,605	19,382	16,384	15,384
Leases and Licences, Territorial	133,644	140,552	32,951	31,248	30,569	31,474
Railways*	5,358,408	5,483,003	1,315,974	1,277,622	1,082,974	1,371,585
Electric Street Railway	18,237	22,174	6,480	5,435	5,342	6,398
Interest on Loans, &c.	349,729	398,675	24,799	193,832	60,948	108,398
Repayments of Loans	7,763	6,994	474	2,306	750	1,157
Federal Government	1,704,068	1,753,829	433,305	457,979	439,473	439,473
Other Revenue	1,093,195	1,058,785	284,958	332,195	167,266	210,712
Total State Revenue	10,273,259	10,500,312	2,505,095	3,190,355	2,021,714	2,426,826
Corresponding period previous year	9,911,103	10,273,259	2,681,819	3,399,255	2,090,219	2,320,019
Increase (+); Decrease (-)	+ 362,156	+ 227,053	- 176,724	- 208,900	- 68,505	+ 97,807

* Revenue as received at the Treasury.

STATE EXPENDITURE.

Head of Expenditure.	Year ended 31st December.		Quarter ended 31st March, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th September, 1915.	Quarter ended 31st December, 1915.
	1913.	1914.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Chief Secretary	832,383	878,464	245,883	303,256	145,794	257,062
Minister of Labour	†	†	†	†	3,559	5,652
Minister of Public Instruction	988,695	1,003,276	233,819	380,167	168,985	259,675
Attorney-General	85,460	90,367	30,942	29,995	14,056	20,755
Solicitor-General	66,475	73,500	19,268	24,184	11,615	16,938
Treasurer	270,904	293,929	112,938	95,154	62,929	135,898
Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey	211,902	268,668	59,459	60,805	20,399	38,078
Commissioner, Public Works	362,778	357,231	191,161	122,051	112,675	58,693
Minister of Mines }	58,995	60,363	14,871	19,772	9,780	15,195
Forests }	49,090	60,396	20,856	12,046	9,155	14,991
Water Supply	93,518	108,124	28,966	30,995	23,291	36,069
Agriculture	129,506	132,947	34,510	51,611	15,684	70,923
Health	39,789	41,226	13,974	11,974	6,042	9,236
Railways*	3,714,498	4,139,309	1,082,519	1,361,522	786,766	1,018,250
Special Appropriations	2,798,709	2,794,045	981,523	608,948	744,844	967,106
Total Expenditure	9,702,702	10,301,845	3,070,689	3,112,480	2,135,574	2,924,521
Corresponding period previous year	9,619,098	9,702,702	2,535,647	2,844,456	1,876,711	3,045,031
Increase (+); Decrease (-)	+83,604	+599,143	+535,042	+268,024	+258,863	-120,510

* Expenditure as passed through the Treasury.

† Included under heading of Chief Secretary.

RAILWAY REVENUE.

Source of Revenue.	Year ended 31st December.		Quarter ended 31st March, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th September, 1915.	Quarter ended 31st December, 1915.
	1913.	1914.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Passengers	2,447,484	2,532,694	627,477	595,919	591,158	706,756
Parcels, &c.	225,450	229,375	55,839	55,891	58,649	66,408
Horses, Carriages, and Dogs ..	21,219	22,598	5,458	4,887	4,527	3,832
Mails	78,889	78,971	19,187	21,586	19,338	19,310
Rents	71,695	74,752	18,467	18,476	18,812	18,704
Miscellaneous	32,247	28,502	9,485	12,500	5,644	8,457
Live Stock	335,771	402,222	101,953	99,809	81,988	83,850
Goods	2,165,175	2,098,765	489,439	421,837	396,239	520,587
Total Revenue	5,377,930	5,467,870	1,327,295	1,230,905	1,176,355	1,427,904
Corresponding period, previous year	5,080,132	5,377,930	1,556,782	1,308,224	1,241,880	1,360,993
Increase (+); Decrease (-) ..	+ 297,798	+ 89,949	- 229,487	- 77,319	- 65,525	+ 66,911

RAILWAY EXPENDITURE.

	Year ended 31st December.		Quarter ended 31st March, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th September, 1915.	Quarter ended 31st December, 1915.
	1913.	1914.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Expenditure, exclusive of Gratuities and Pensions	3,633,612	3,886,345	999,451	1,119,966	974,496	1,001,874
Gratuities and Pensions	113,385	116,274	29,345	33,489	29,114	33,129
Total Expenditure	3,746,997	4,002,619	1,028,796	1,153,455	1,003,610	1,035,003
Corresponding period, previous year	3,583,598	3,746,997	966,836	979,623	1,015,203	1,040,957
Increase (+); Decrease (-) ..	+ 163,399	+ 255,622	+ 61,960	+ 173,832	- 11,593	- 5,954

OTHER RAILWAY STATISTICS.

Item.	Year ended 31st December.		Quarter ended 31st March, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th September, 1915.	Quarter ended 31st December, 1915.
	1913.	1914.				
Train Miles run	14,700,958	15,312,531	3,859,056	3,802,440	3,386,865	3,228,944
Revenue per Train Mile	7s. 3·80d.	7s. 1·7d.	6s. 10·55d.	6s. 5·69d.	6s. 11·36d.	8s. 10·13d.
Net Revenue per Train Mile	2s. 2·63d.	1s. 10·97d.	1s. 8·39d.	7·00d.	1s. 2·30d.	2s. 7·66d.
Expenditure per Train Mile	5s. 1·17d.	5s. 2·74d.	5s. 2·16d.	5s. 10·69d.	5s. 9·06d.	6s. 2·47d.
Percentage, Expenditure to Revenue	69·67	73·20	75·30	90·99	82·84	70·16
Number of Passengers	113,795,179	117,995,648	29,048,885	28,941,954	28,080,577	30,694,991
Tonnage of Goods Traffic	5,056,688	5,207,745	1,267,471	1,172,692	1,053,260	1,110,430
Tonnage of Live Stock Traffic	450,957	684,975	165,910	176,834	126,601	117,051
Corresponding Period, Previous Year.						
Train Miles run	13,903,845	14,700,958	4,042,757	3,628,061	3,747,622	3,894,091
Revenue per Train Mile	7s. 3·69d.	7s. 3·80d.	7s. 8·42d.	7s. 2·54d.	6s. 7·53d.	6s. 11·88d.
Net Revenue per Train Mile	2s. 1·83d.	2s. 2·63d.	3s. 0·57d.	1s. 11·69d.	1s. 4·61d.	1s. 9·44d.
Expenditure per Train Mile	5s. 1·86d.	5s. 1·17d.	4s. 7·85d.	5s. 2·85d.	5s. 2·92d.	5s. 2·44d.
Percentage, Expenditure to Revenue	70·54	69·67	60·43	72·62	79·11	74·43
Number of Passengers	108,417,330	113,795,179	29,167,530	29,559,031	29,593,256	29,675,831
Tonnage of Goods Traffic	4,595,016	5,056,688	1,679,684	1,273,700	1,173,427	1,080,934
Tonnage of Live Stock Traffic	413,189	450,957	114,022	98,576	141,248	231,129

VICTORIAN BANKING RETURNS.—QUARTERLY AVERAGES.*

	Quarter ended 31st December.			
	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.
	£	£	£	£
LIABILITIES—				
Notes in circulation not bearing interest ..	138,639	117,821	109,476	103,568
Bills in circulation not bearing interest ..	173,934	164,808	114,618	125,358
Balances due to other Banks ..	265,431	278,888	692,793	1,537,852
Deposits—Government—				
Not bearing interest	661,981	239,875	245,916	368,501
Bearing interest	3,641,082	3,289,820	3,807,537	3,336,597
Deposits—Other—				
Not bearing interest	16,279,204	16,548,771	17,148,131	18,266,034
Bearing interest	25,654,171	25,682,642	25,969,658	25,893,219
Perpetual Inscribed Stock	1,021,610	1,044,628	1,048,889	1,048,042
Total Liabilities	47,836,053	47,367,253	49,137,018	50,679,201
ASSETS—				
Coined gold, silver, and other metal ..	7,066,716	8,721,274	8,337,040	6,234,739
Gold and silver in bullion and bars ..	254,576	239,430	210,898	212,211
Australian notes	1,011,430	955,133	2,098,490	7,019,793
Landed and other property	1,614,084	1,575,761	1,534,461	1,503,957
Notes and Bills of other Banks	413,552	486,196	313,382	352,544
Balances due from other Banks	644,879	556,467	239,854	300,673
All debts due to Banks	38,538,647	36,178,202	36,689,482	38,068,327
Total Assets	49,543,884	48,712,463	49,432,607	53,692,244
Ratio of Coin, Bullion, and Notes to Liabilities ..	17.42%	20.93%	21.69%	26.57%
Total Capital paid-up	14,529,735	15,592,252	16,089,077	17,027,160†
Amount of last declared dividend and bonus ..	685,017	716,909	744,449	876,660
Reserves	8,472,271	9,924,068	11,163,061	11,972,407

* This table does not include particulars of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, which are shown hereunder, but relates to Banks which render sworn returns to the Chief Secretary.
 † Excluding 4 per cent. guaranteed stock, Bank of New Zealand, amounting to £529,988.

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA (VICTORIAN BRANCH).—AVERAGES FOR QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1915.

Liabilities.		Assets.	
£		£	
Bills in circulation	6,303	Coin	255,572
Balances due to other Banks	22	Australian notes	888,345
Deposits not bearing interest	2,497,206	Government and Municipal securities	2,518,100
Deposits bearing interest	386,294	Balances due from other Banks	1,253,446
Savings Bank deposits	2,012,082	Notes and Bills of other Banks	160,244
		Bills discounted, Loans and Advances to Customers, and other Sums due to the Bank ..	323,564
Total	4,901,907	Total	5,399,271

STATE SAVINGS BANK.—ORDINARY AND DEPOSIT STOCK DEPARTMENTS.

Period.	Deposits.	Withdrawals.	Number of Accounts.			Amount at credit of Depositors.
			Opened.	Closed.	Remaining open at end of period.	
	£	£				£
Year ended 31st December, 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	12,067,455
" " " " 1907	9,856,864	9,274,098	86,140	61,835	501,393	12,961,779
" " " " 1908	10,171,472	10,105,652	85,332	66,820	519,905	13,350,885
" " " " 1909	11,205,880	10,450,990	90,920	65,695	545,130	14,471,566
" " " " 1910	12,678,119	11,582,572	103,019	71,760	576,389	15,982,833
" " " " 1911	14,875,121	13,113,922	118,851	75,123	617,117	18,213,040
" " " " 1912	18,493,023	16,986,228	149,876	110,841	656,152	20,268,043
" " " " 1913	18,587,428	17,350,409	133,193	100,197	689,148	22,107,758
" " " " 1914	19,459,707	18,440,669	123,558	101,595	711,111	23,801,582
Quarter ended 31st March, 1915	4,410,955	4,052,163	29,910	23,660	717,361	24,173,008
" " " 30th June, 1915	4,216,391	4,063,263	27,084	22,509	721,936	25,034,237
" " " 30th September, 1915	4,978,165	5,269,407	29,296	28,656	722,576	24,533,097‡
" " " 31st December, 1915	4,686,973	4,639,498	26,754	21,767	727,563	24,789,697

STATE SAVINGS BANK—PENNY BANKS DEPARTMENT.

Period.	Deposits.	Withdrawals.	Number of Accounts.			Amount at credit of Depositors.
			Opened.	Closed.	Remaining open at end of period.	
	£	£				£
Period ended— 31st December, 1913 (14 months) ..	7,902	1,628	14,393	2,550	11,843	6,280
Year ended— 31st December, 1914	6,131	3,376	4,517	2,894	13,466	9,117
Quarter to— 31st March, 1915	1,050	873	995	689	13,772	9,299
30th June, 1915	1,164	828	819	620	13,971	9,792
30th September, 1915	1,327	959	778	713	14,036	10,161
31st December, 1915	1,126	1,246	364	833	13,567	10,044

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK.—STATE OF VICTORIA.

Period.	Deposits.	Withdrawals.	Number of Accounts.			Amount at credit of Depositors.
			Opened.	Closed.	Remaining open at end of period.	
	£	£				£
Period ended— 31st December, 1912	496,888	105,035	10,669	551	10,118	393,355
Year ended— 31st December, 1913	1,158,748	686,497	18,091	3,852	24,357	911,649
31st December, 1914	1,800,734	1,213,514	20,133	6,572	37,918	1,578,468
Quarter to— 31st March, 1915	507,750	340,269	6,149	1,708	42,359	1,758,178
30th June, 1915	504,550	363,388	4,867	1,643	45,583	1,951,996
30th September, 1915	559,980	510,151	4,877	2,129	48,331	2,013,943

NOTE.—The deposits shown in this table are represented in the statement of assets and liabilities of the Commonwealth Bank.

GOLD PRODUCTION OF VICTORIA.

Period.	Yield. ozs. (gross).
From 1851 to 1900	64,346,612
" 1901 to 1910	7,643,275
1911	542,074
1912	516,255
1913	467,052
1914	443,347
1915 (March Quarter) ..	85,590
1915 (June Quarter) ..	86,708
1915 (September Quarter)	34,698
1915 (December Quarter)	86,281
Total	74,251,892
Value	£296,468,948

VALUE OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, 1905, TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1915.

Year.	Total Value of—					
	Imports.			Exports.		
	Inter-State.	Oversea.	Total.	Inter-State.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1905	9,380,031	12,957,855	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	11,622,706	17,112,298	28,735,004
1908	10,764,314	16,433,382	27,197,696	12,031,170	15,165,031	27,196,201
1909	11,618,217	16,631,981	28,150,198	12,053,399	17,642,876	29,896,275
1910	*	20,002,606	*	*	18,188,236	*
1911	*	21,850,963	*	*	18,915,716	*
1912	*	25,081,074	*	*	19,113,121	*
1913	*	24,387,073	*	*	17,835,395	*
1914	*	23,109,678	*	*	14,791,121	*
1915 (March Quarter)	*	5,401,665	*	*	3,772,318	*
1915 (June Quarter)	*	4,905,551	*	*	2,920,083	*
1915 (September Quarter)	*	7,030,828	*	*	1,631,364	*
1915 (December Quarter)	*	6,391,224	*	*	3,651,811	*

* No record of Inter-State imports or exports is now kept.

PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED OVERSEA INTO VICTORIA DURING THE CALENDAR YEARS 1914 AND 1915.

Article.	Imported Oversea during the Calendar Years.				
	1914.		1915.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	
Ale and Beer	galls.	729,231	£ 117,173	416,420	£ 69,411
Apparel and Soft Goods .. ..	..	..	6,092,178	..	5,591,103*
Boots and Shoes .. ..	..	..	170,263	..	109,859
Cocoa and Chocolate	lbs.	1,866,123	87,992	2,263,124	97,955
Confectionery .. ..	..	2,820,789	147,902	1,930,972	110,852
Cordage and Twines .. ..	..	..	229,276	..	221,949
Drugs and Chemicals .. ..	..	..	325,990	..	397,638
Earthenware, China, &c. .. ..	..	..	120,988	..	100,072
Fruits (Fresh and Dried) .. ..	..	..	198,333	..	172,403
Gold (Bullion and Specie) .. ..	..	..	167,802	..	151,043
Grain—Rice	centals	240,843	91,783	259,316	86,024
Hats and Caps .. ..	..	..	201,056	..	146,896
Implements and Machinery .. ..	..	..	1,290,109	..	1,155,234
Instruments—Musical .. ..	..	..	141,291	..	71,283
Iron and Steel	cwt.	2,949,776	1,299,510	2,046,101	958,185
Jute Goods—Bags, Sacks, &c. .. ..	..	..	636,659	..	721,604
Leather .. ..	..	..	217,972	..	219,522
Manures	cwt.	2,054,925	287,182	1,612,167	225,751
Metals—Manufactures of .. ..	..	..	1,249,385	..	1,039,834
Oils in Bulk .. ..	..	..	706,868	..	752,902
Paints and Colours, Varnishes .. ..	..	..	206,255	..	163,319
Paper .. ..	..	..	553,079	..	581,962
Rubber Goods .. ..	..	..	521,531	..	450,389
Spirits .. ..	..	..	303,066	..	242,685
Tea	lbs.	16,554,317	557,138	18,409,695	767,399
Timber .. ..	..	..	989,162	..	516,979
Tobacco—Manufactured	lbs.	308,098	31,165	229,140	24,075
" Unmanufactured .. ..	..	5,578,750	239,542	3,608,544	192,041
Vehicles .. ..	..	..	786,030	..	521,647
All Other Articles .. ..	..	..	5,142,998	..	7,870,252†
Total .. ..	..	..	23,109,678	..	23,729,268

* Including Woollen Goods, as follows:—Apparel, £442,325; Woollen Socks, £175,402; Blankets, £5,407; Flannels, £1,735; Woollen Piece Goods, £642,153; and Woollens (free), £34,032.
 † Including Butter, £310,823; Barley, £47,397; Beans and Peas, £17,443; Maize, £129,032; Oats, £383,344; Wheat, £1,111,893; Bran, Pollard, and Sharps, £189,335; and Hay and Chaff valued at £111,072.

PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED OVERSEA FROM VICTORIA DURING THE CALENDAR YEARS 1914 AND 1915.

Article.	Exported Oversea during the Calendar Years—					
	1914.			1915.		
	Australian Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.
Animals (Horses, Cattle, and Sheep) ..	£ 66,612	605	67,217	92,301	..	92,301
Apparel and Soft Goods	£ 5,151	38,907	44,058	6,578	47,645	54,223
Biscuits	{ lbs. 2,471,247	215	2,471,462	2,386,755	1,238	2,387,993
	£ 38,853	6	38,859	50,638	34	50,672
Boots and Shoes	£ 1,918	1,318	3,236	5,488	2,554	8,042
Butter	{ lbs. 20,640,769	..	20,640,769	12,742,249	366,848	13,109,097
	£ 1,001,323	..	1,001,323	733,297	27,117	760,414
Fruits (Fresh and Dried)	£ 169,348	378	169,726	46,876	242	47,118
Gold (Bullion and Specie)	£ 187,027	11	187,038	594,584	..	594,584
Grain, &c.—						
Oats	{ centals 40,910	38	40,948	5,387	29,525	34,912
	£ 11,212	10	11,222	3,086	10,863	13,949
Wheat	{ centals 10,998,265	..	10,998,265	25	..	25
	£ 3,411,259	..	3,411,259	17	..	17
Flour	{ centals 1,505,772	..	1,505,772	5,797	..	5,797
	£ 625,716	..	625,716	3,974	..	3,974
Hay and Chaff	{ cwt. 82,034	..	82,034	90,001	..	90,001
	£ 19,322	..	19,322	35,347	..	35,347
Jams and Jellies	{ lbs. 1,663,335	180	1,663,515	1,977,000	..	1,977,000
	£ 25,514	3	25,517	36,201	..	36,201
Implements and Machinery	£ 78,604	27,867	106,471	50,542	15,651	66,193
Leather	£ 364,890	5,501	370,391	576,124	8,487	584,611
Manures	{ cwt. 184,611	1,809	186,420	492,545	2,000	494,545
	£ 58,140	301	58,441	113,933	388	114,321
Meats—						
Mutton and Lamb	{ lbs. 61,392,561	..	61,392,561	34,123,759	..	34,123,759
	£ 1,158,586	..	1,158,586	680,585	..	680,585
Rabbits and Hares	{ pairs 1,917,870	..	1,917,870	1,793,730	..	1,793,730
	£ 98,763	..	98,763	89,262	..	89,262
Other	£ 838,343	60	838,403	415,227	27	415,254
Oils in Bulk	£ 38,994	6,995	45,989	33,538	8,705	42,243
Rubber Goods	£ 76,388	14,529	90,917	86,183	13,204	99,387
Skins and Hides	£ 1,124,991	60	1,125,051	501,406	2	501,408
Soap	{ lbs. 3,617,931	10,274	3,628,205	6,742,594	1,148	6,743,742
	£ 29,589	689	30,278	55,157	122	55,279
Tallow	{ cwt. 232,257	..	232,257	74,651	..	74,651
	£ 327,083	..	327,083	105,169	..	105,169
Tea	{ lbs. ..	1,044,411	1,044,411	..	821,367	821,367
	£ ..	41,681	41,681	..	39,518	39,518
Tobacco, &c.	£ 54,579	2,163	56,742	91,435	2,683	94,118
Wine	£ 42,714	1,183	43,897	43,085	1,095	44,180
Wool—						
Greasy	{ lbs. 82,702,662	..	82,702,662	103,874,969	..	103,874,969
	£ 3,299,644	..	3,299,644	5,057,148	..	5,057,148
Scoured and Washed	{ lbs. 6,931,183	..	6,931,183	11,779,215	..	11,779,215
	£ 446,198	..	446,198	871,557	..	871,557
All Other Articles	£ 804,944	243,149	1,048,093	1,160,420	198,081	1,358,501
Total	£ 14,405,705	385,416	14,791,121	11,599,158	376,418	11,975,576

DESTINATION, QUANTITY, AND VALUE OF OVERSEA EXPORTS THROUGH COOL STORES, QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1915.

Description of Produce.	Destination.						Total.	
	United Kingdom.		South Africa.		Other Ports.			
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
Butter ..	6,395,608	£ 373,077	4,344	£ 253	754,563	£ 44,016	7,154,515	£ 417,346
Cheese ..	..	..	..	..	720	18	..	..
Milk and Cream ..	135,000	3,375	..	..	241,800	6,045	376,800	9,420
Ham and Bacon ..	..	..	..	..	8,000	233	8,000	233
Rabbits and Hares ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,386	274
Mutton and Lamb ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,586,550	33,053
Fruit ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,599	799
Fruit Pulp ..	..	..	..	..	22,000	275	22,000	275
Total	..	409,770	..	253	..	51,386	..	461,418

EXPORTS (OVERSEA) OF CERTAIN ARTICLES THROUGH COOL STORES, 1913 TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1915.

Produce.	1913.	1914.	Quarter ended 31st March, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th June, 1915.	Quarter ended 30th September, 1915.	Quarter ended 31st December, 1915.
<i>Quantity.</i>						
Butter .. lbs.	34,706,646	20,251,048	4,466,349	412,863	124,704	7,154,515
Cheese .. "	303,447	578,443	133,440	16,080	240	720
Milk and Cream .. "	1,231,986	3,572,882	316,700	22,860	1,000	376,800
Ham and Bacon .. "	57,883	76,017	13,560	12,891	9,583	8,000
Poultry and Game head .. "	42,815	15,860	2,000	..	..	..
Rabbits & Hares pairs .. "	2,357,004	1,757,818	345,300	672,180	638,198	4,386
Mutton & Lamb lbs. .. "	85,594,394	77,136,260	16,995,790	16,966,600	..	1,586,550
Beef .. "	10,458,080	29,475,000	5,483,640	6,368,880	..	..
Veal .. "	513,490	1,256,910	279,540	163,340	..	..
Pork .. "	..	4,200	3,360	17,000	..	..
Meat Sundries .. "	135,854	1,452,622	404,888	331,830	..	..
Fruit .. bushels .. "	325,392	385,137	10,634	3,371	3,107	1,599
Fruit Pulp .. lbs. .. "	70,100	78,640	25,600	21,392	92,900	22,000
<i>Value.</i>						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Butter	1,716,267	1,004,967	223,317	41,286	7,274	417,346
Cheese	7,383	14,378	3,057	402	12	18
Milk and Cream	23,425	77,729	7,209	571	25	9,420
Ham and Bacon	1,971	2,911	395	376	280	233
Poultry and Game	8,586	8,033	230	..	..	..
Rabbits and Hares	98,426	73,241	17,265	33,609	39,762	274
Mutton and Lamb	943,643	893,277	242,746	353,470	..	33,053
Beef	126,355	368,426	91,394	106,148	..	..
Veal	8,075	17,978	3,494	2,041	..	..
Pork .. ..	..	105	70	425	..	..
Meat Sundries	567	6,002	1,687	1,382	..	..
Fruit	199,132	192,567	5,318	1,685	1,553	799
Fruit Pulp	876	996	320	267	1,161	275
Total	3,134,708	2,660,610	596,502	541,662	50,067	461,418