

CONTRIBUTIONS TO GUARANTEES AND SUBSIDIES.

THE following table shows the contributions of the several colonies to the under-mentioned guarantees and subsidies, not including the duplicate cable subsidy of £32,400 :—

Guarantee to—	Victoria.	New South Wales.	New Zealand.	South Australia.	Tasmania.	Western Australia.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
CABLE COMPANY.							
<i>(Revenue guaranteed, £237,736.)</i>							
First year ending 30th April, 1892.....	11,250 13 4	11,170 1 1	—	3161 4 3	1446 18 10	491 2 6	27,520 0 0
Second " " 1893.....	8569 0 0	8509 0 0	815 0 0	2408 0 0	1102 0 0	375 0 0	21,778 0 0
Third " " 1894.....	2071 0 0	2058 0 0	1126 0 0	582 0 0	266 0 0	90 0 0	6191 0 0
Fourth " " 1895*.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>(Revenue guaranteed, £227,000.)</i>							
Fifth year ending 30th April, 1896 ^c	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sixth " " 1897 ^a	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	21,890 13 4	21,735 1 1	1941 0 0	6151 4 3	2814 18 10	956 2 6	55,489 0 0
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.							
<i>(Revenue guaranteed, £37,552.)</i>							
First year ending 30th April, 1892.....	4257 16 9	4227 6 7	—	1196 7 4	547 12 0	185 17 4	10,415 0 0
Second " " 1893.....	3072 0 0	3050 0 0	162 0 0	862 0 0	395 0 0	134 0 0	7675 0 0
Third " " 1894.....	275 0 0	273 0 0	150 0 0	77 0 0	35 0 0	12 0 0	822 0 0
Fourth " " 1895.....	376 5 8	373 11 9	204 11 8	105 14 7	48 7 10	16 8 6	1125 0 0
Fifth " " 1896.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sixth " " 1897.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	7981 2 5	7923 18 4	516 11 8	2241 1 11	1025 19 10	348 5 10	20,037 0 0
TASMANIA.							
<i>(Subsidy guaranteed, £4200.)</i>							
First year ending 30th April, 1892.....	1717 0 8	1704 14 8	—	482 9 1	220 16 6	74 19 1	4200 0 0
Second " " 1893.....	1717 0 8	1704 14 8	—	482 9 1	220 16 6	74 19 1	4200 0 0
Third " " 1894.....	1717 0 8	1704 14 8	—	482 9 1	220 16 6	74 19 1	4200 0 0
Fourth " " 1895.....	1717 0 8	1704 14 8	—	482 9 1	220 16 6	74 19 1	4200 0 0
Fifth " " 1896.....	1717 0 8	1704 14 8	—	482 9 1	220 16 6	74 19 1	4200 0 0
Sixth " " 1897.....	1717 0 8	1704 14 8	—	482 9 1	220 16 6	74 19 1	4200 0 0
	10,302 4 0	10,228 8 0	—	2894 14 6	1324 19 0	449 14 6	25,200 0 0
VICTORIAN GUARANTEE TO TASMANIAN CABLE.							
<i>(Guarantee—First £1000 and half any additional loss in any one year.)</i>							
First year ending 31st December, 1894....	264 9 4	262 11 6	143 15 10	74 6 3	34 0 3	11 10 11	790 14 1
Second " " 1895.....	4 13 10	4 13 3	2 11 0	1 6 4	0 12 1	0 4 2	14 0 8
Third " " 1896.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fourth " " 1897.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	269 3 2	267 4 9	146 6 10	75 12 7	34 12 4	11 15 1	804 14 9
NEW ZEALAND.							
<i>(Revenue guaranteed, £26,258.)</i>							
Four months ending 30th April, 1893.....	734 15 9	729 11 6	399 10 6	206 9 6	94 10 2	32 1 7	2197 0 0
First year " " 1894.....	2432 5 11	2414 17 4	1322 8 5	683 8 6	312 16 4	106 3 6	7272 0 0
Second " " 1895.....	2447 13 7	2430 2 10	1330 15 8	687 15 0	314 15 11	106 17 0	7318 0 0
<i>(Revenue guaranteed, £20,000.)</i>							
Third year ending 30th April, 1896.....	1320 16 9	1311 7 6	718 2 7	371 2 7	169 17 5	57 13 2	3949 0 0
Fourth " " 1897.....	859 18 8	853 15 5	467 10 9	241 12 6	110 11 11	37 10 9	2571 0 0
	7795 11 8	7739 14 7	4238 7 11†	2190 8 1	1002 11 9	340 6 0	23,307 0 0
GRAND TOTALS	48,238 14 7	47,894 6 9	6842 6 5	13,553 1 4	6203 1 9	2106 3 11	124,837 14 9†

* In these years there was a surplus of £976, £133,971, and £180,941, respectively.

† In addition, New Zealand has borne alone on account of New Zealand-Sydney cable guarantee the following sums :—1893, £1098 10s.; 1894, £3636; 1895, £3659; 1896, £1975; 1897, £1285; altogether, £11,653 10s.; making the grand total loss by all the colonies on all the subsidies, £136,491 4s. 9d.

C. TODD, *Postmaster-General.*

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