



HAMILTON SPECTATOR  
DIRECTORY AND ALMANAC  
FOR 1878.

## APPENDIX.

## RUNS IN OCCUPATION IN 1849.

The following is a list of the various Runs in the Portland Bay District, as apportioned by the Caveat Commissioners in February, 1849, two years before the separation of Victoria from New South Wales. The table is interesting, as it furnishes a complete list of the Pastoral Occupants of the lands in the Western District twenty-seven years ago, with the areas rented by them, and the estimated grazing capability of each station. Perhaps it would be difficult to find a better illustration of the mutability of human affairs than is to be derived from a brief comparison of matters, then and now. Many of the old pioneers are dead or departed, others have developed into millionaires, and not a few have been ruined, and are now occupying subordinate positions.

No.	OCCUPIER.	NAME OF RUN.	Esti-	Estimated	
			ated	Grazing	Capability.
			Area.	Sheep.	Cattle.
1	William W. Allen	Colanet	8,675	5,500	..
2	James Austin	Yee	11,000	..	500
3	James Austin	Pollards Old Station	3,553	..	300
4	James Austin	Long Water Hole	52,200	16,000	..
5	Geo. and D. Alcheson	Kurnek Kurnek	34,140	15,000	..
6	William Adenly	Chocolyn	5,948	7,000	..
7	S. and J. Austin	Waterloo Plains	17,000	8,000	..
8	John Austin	Green Hills	10,000	4,000	500
9	Robert Anderson	Bolac Plains	14,080	6,000	30
10	Alex. Anderson, jun.	Bangal	15,300	6,000	50
11	George Armytage	Ingleby	20,849	10,000	100
12	Francis Atkinson	Berenboke	16,000	6,000	..
13	Charles Ayrey	Mount Gollibrand	21,717	9,000	40
14	William Adam	Hopkins, Mount Shadwell	35,300	17,000	..
15	Addison and Murray	Dunrobin	153,699	14,000	37
16	Robert Adams	Greenvale	56,880	18,000	..
17	Henry Amlerson	Borri-Yallock	50,570	18,000	200
18	C. and D. Aplin	St. Kilda	20,000	..	1,300
19	George Armytage	Fulham	65,500	20,000	30
20	Edward Robt Bostock	Jellalabad	16,000	4,000	..
21	Henry and F. Burchett	The Gums	16,000	..	1,400
22	Phillip Black	St. Enochs	46,778	20,000	..
23	C. and J. Bradshaw	Boorambita	14,720	..	1,000
24	Michael Byrne	View Lake	20,090	6,000	..
25	William Buckley	The Old Stockyard	9,000	5,000	..
26	Wm. Hy. Bacchus, jun.	Peereverrh	25,000	8,000	500
27	Thomas Bilston	Steep Bank Rivulet	12,800	4,000	500
28	Edward Bell	The Green Hills	21,000	..	1,200
29	John Bell	Mount Eckersley	8,300	..	500
30	John Bell	Mount Clay	3,200	2,000	120
31	John Barclay	Green Vale	9,000	3,000	..
32	A. H. and J. E. Bates	Rokeby or Kaladloo	28,000	4,000	..
33	James Blair	Clanic	35,000	12,000	..
34	Boyd, Ross, & M'Gill	Burrabeep	110,000	30,000	500
35	John Wood Bolby	Western Strathdownie	28,000	..	1,200
36	Benjamin Boyd	Eumeralla	23,000	..	1,500
37	Benjamin Boyd	Udit and Domadelock	40,000	15,000	..
38	Niel Black and Co.	Glenormiston	43,770	14,000	2,000
39	Niel Black and Co.	Warreanga	16,640	3,000	..
40	Niel Black and Co.	The Sisters	25,200	10,000	1,000
41	John and Thos. Brown	Mount Napier	30,000	5,000	1,000
42	John and Thos. Brown	Muston's Creek	10,000	..	1,000
43	John and Thos. Brown	Mount Elephant	14,300	5,000	..

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			ated	Grazing	
			Area.	Capability.	
			Acres.	Sheep.	Cattle
44	John and Thos. Brown..	Mount Elephant .....	31,500	13,000	..
45	Charles Brown .....	Glen Ample .....	8,000	5,000	..
46	John Bland .....	Grafton .....	8,000	4,000	..
47	George Claridge .....	Wittleburry .....	16,000	4,000	..
48	Currie and Anderson ..	Geelong or Larra .....	32,000	16,000	..
49	John Cox .....	Weerangourt .....	30,000	..	2,000
50	Clyde Co. (per G. Russell)	Goff-hill .....	72,700	36,000	..
51	Clyde Co. (per G. Russell)	Terinallum .....	57,000	22,000	..
52	Daniel Curdie .....	Tandarook .....	17,686	..	1,000
53	J. A. Cowie and D. Stead	Bunjeeltap .....	30,000	18,000	..
54	Donald Craig .....	Eddington Run .....	4,928	4,000	..
55	Robert Clerk .....	Mumumberitch .....	5,800	4,000	..
56	Robert Clark .....	Englefield .....	28,000	10,000	..
57	Isaac Corney .....	Cashmere .....	7,000	3,500	..
58	William Corney .....	Wando Station .....	7,065	4,000	..
59	Simon Cudden .....	Gringogalgona .....	58,880	16,000	..
60	George Coghill .....	Lake Condon .....	18,000	..	750
61	James Carmichael .....	Union .....	25,000	..	2,000
62	Robt. Dean Chamberlain	Tarrone .....	40,918	..	3,000
63	Donald Cameron .....	Morgiana .....	8,040	..	000
64	Charles Carter .....	Brim Spring .....	12,800	4,000	..
65	Alexander Campbell .....	Eurumbreen, Mount Cole	45,000	18,000	200
66	Colin Campbell .....	Buanger, Mount Cole	25,000	10,000	100
67	John Campbell .....	Spring Vale .....	13,000	5,000	..
68	William Carmichael .....	Harton Hills .....	38,400	8,000	1,500
69	T. and A. Chirnside .....	Markangar .....	44,000	12,000	500
70	T. Chirnside & R. M'Nab	Curnong .....	31,874	13,000	30
71	T. and A. Chirnside .....	Mount William .....	38,000	14,000	100
72	Ewen Cameron .....	Sutledge .....	12,800	4,000	640
73	Nicholas Cole .....	West Cloven Hill .....	19,040	10,000	..
74	Alex. F. Cunningham .....	Mount Mercer .....	30,000	14,000	..
75	James Crawford .....	Rifle Downs—n.n. Wataapoolan	35,000	..	1,000
76	Calvert and Bell .....	Watch Hill .....	36,480	18,000	20
77	Calvert and Bell .....	Irrewarra .....	31,800	8,000	1,400
78	Campbell, M'Knight & Co	Dunmore .....	47,228	..	3,500
79	Patrick Curtain .....	The Merino Water Holes	100	..	40
80	John & Geo. Coldham ..	Grassdale .....	13,000	6,000	..
81	W. J. T. Clarke .....	Dowling Forest .....	40,650	15,000	500
82	Donald Cameron .....	Mount Sturgeon Plains	28,000	15,000	..
83	Donald Cameron .....	Oak Bank, Mount Eckersley	2,500	1,200	200
84	Angus Cameron .....	Violet Creek .....	9,600	4,000	800
85	Alex. & John Cameron..	Mount Sturgeon Plains	6,856	5,000	640
86	Donalds & Hamilton ..	Large Kal Kal .....	70,400	18,000	600
87	Alex., Jno. & Wm. Dennis	Kerrongeballoort .....	5,000	4,000	..
88	Alex., Jno. & Wm. Dennis	Poliah .....	7,000	4,000	..
89	Alexander Donaldson ..	Purdest .....	5,120	1,000	800
90	Thomas Water Downie..	Glenfiae .....	31,440	16,000	..
91	J. & A. Dennistoun & Co.	Hopkins Hill .....	98,000	20,000	..
92	Robt. & Henry De Little	Mepunga .....	8,000	5,000	..
93	Henry Dwyer .....	Victoria Valley Station	25,000	10,000	..
94	W. Dibble & G. Egerton..	Bungall .....	18,000	6,000	..
95	Dawson and Mitchell ..	Kangatong .....	30,080	..	2,500
96	Duncan and Waldie .....	Wyndholm .....	18,567	5,000	..
97	G. W. Elms & A. D. Lang	Esoremete .....	16,000	4,000	600
98	G. W. Elms & A. D. Lang	Lyna .....	32,000	8,000	1,200
99	Peter Ewart .....	Ellengowan .....	8,000	1,000	..
100	John Eddington .....	Ballengeich .....	17,320	10,000	100
101	David Edgar .....	Fitzroy River .....	12,800	..	400
102	Andrew and Wm. Ewing	Tea-tree Creek .....	6,400	4,000	..
103	Stephen Ewen .....	Marrida-yallock .....	17,300	..	2,000
104	Miehl & Jno. Fitzgerald	Lake Manania .....	13,500	5,000	..
105	George Forbes .....	Moppiananum .....	30,000	9,000	1,200
106	Claude Farie & G. Roger	Merrang .....	44,910	19,000	1,500
107	Claude Farie .....	Merrang .....	18,860	12,000	..

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			ated	Grazing	Capability.
			Area.	Sheep.	Cattle
108	George Roger	Kona Warren	26,650	7,000	1,500
109	Compton Gerard Ferrers	Wardy Yallock, Chain of Ponds	29,166	10,000	
110	Grosvenor Francis	Bolwarra	30,000	8,000	
111	Adhesion French	Monivae, formerly Pierspoint	17,280	5,000	
112	S. Gorrie & S. McGregor	Emerald West	23,680	3,000	1,000
113	Samuel Gorrie	Arksmachie	14,000	6,000	
114	Samuel McGregor	Emerald West	10,000		1,000
115	Adolphus Goldsmith	Trawallo	40,000	20,000	200
116	Adolphus Goldsmith	St. Helens	25,000		2,000
117	Henry Gibb	Western Portion of Piggeroot	18,008	7,000	400
118	Charles Gordon	Eastern portion of Piggeroot	14,088	5,000	
119	Henry Gibb	Kilyer Boine Plains	30,000	10,000	
120	Matthew Gibb	Patrick's Day	12,000	6,000	100
121	Frederick Griffin	Anahie	36,000	14,000	
122	Griffin and Craigs	Grange Burn Station	26,500	10,000	700
123	G. S. Griffin	Portion of Grange Burn, No. 1	14,000	6,000	400
124	G. N. and D. H. Craig	Portion of Grange Burn, No. 2	12,500	4,000	300
125	Chas. Gray and J. Marr.	Green Hill Creek	42,376	15,000	
126	Graham and Cobham	Falls of the Hopkins	12,162		1,200
127	John Good	Jujemira	7,680		600
128	William Harding	Mount Hesse Station	45,877	20,000	
129	P. Hutchison & J. Kidd.	Bushby Creek	37,425	15,000	
130	Francis Henty	Marino Downs	23,500	16,000	200
131	Edward Henty	Connell's Run	17,500	7,000	750
132	Edward Henty	Muntham	67,800	20,000	3,000
133	Colin Hunter	Mount Eckersley	704		40
134	William Hamilton	Yallock	40,000		3,000
135	Duncan Hoyle	Buskley's Creek	70,000	5,000	
136	Duncan Hoyle	Mount Gute	38,000	15,000	100
137	Duncan Hoyle	Hopkins	25,000		1,800
138	John Hastie	Purnpundal, Lake Corangamite	22,956	12,000	
139	Matthew Hall	Stony Point	15,673	5,000	
140	William Hutton	Gazette	31,760	14,000	200
141	Charles Hutton	East Strathdownie	30,324		1,200
142	John Highest	Hesse Mount Station	22,214	6,000	600
143	J. G. & D. Hatchison	Runnymede	16,000	4,000	50
144	L. Henpe & T. J. Sumner	Vatua	64,000	15,000	
145	Thomas K. Hardie	Pollockdale	16,000	7,000	
146	Peter Hardie	Mind	10,024	5,000	
147	Peter Inglis	Warraoop	27,329	2,000	1,500
148	Peter Inglis	Lal Lal	12,313		1,500
149	Peter Inglis	Ingliston, H. Campbell & Wilson	14,440	8,000	
150	Robt. & Wm. Jamieson	Castle Maddie	7,000		500
151	John Johnston	Liberton Bank	2,350	2,000	
152	S. and W. Jackson	Sandford	15,700	8,000	1,000
153	Johnstone, Walton & Co.	Curanballae	75,453	30,200	
154	Donald Kennedy	Croxton	14,727	7,000	
155	D. and D. C. Kennedy	Hyde Park	30,400	7,000	1,000
156	D. and D. C. Kennedy	Linthgow Plains	44,256	16,000	2,200
157	James Kibble	Hartly	6,400	4,000	400
158	William Kippin, jun.	Bochara	10,880	6000	800
159	Lang, Brothers	Lake Moniboeng	110,000		3,500
160	Gideon S. Lang	Kentbrush	38,000		1,200
161	Richard Lewis	Emu Creek	5,400	4,000	500
162	Patrick Lynch	Arrandovong	640	600	100
163	William Lonsdale	Grange	25,000	15,000	
164	Henry Lemann	Woodlands	14,950		1,408
165	J., T. and S. Learmonth	Borrumbet	73,312	45,000	
166	J., S. and T. Learmonth	Boninyong	12,808	5,000	
167	William Learmonth	Knebworth	12,000	6,000	
168	William Learmonth	Etrick	30,000	4,000	1,500
169	Mary D. Linton	Emu Hill	15,000	8,000	
170	Chas. Edgar Labelliera	Yallock Vale, South Bolton	17,755	8,000	
171	Francis F. Levett	Richmond Station	12,000	2,000	200

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			Acres.	Sheep.	Cattle.
172	Hugh Murray	Illminyte	24,000	12,000	..
173	Andrew Murray	Irrivloope	5,000	4,000	..
174	Hugh Murray	Warion	10,000	5,000	..
175	Andrew Murray	Wool Wool	5,000	4,000	..
176	Geo. and John Macredie	Lillrie	16,040	9,500	15
177	Henry Munro	Crawford	70,000	15,500	60
178	A. R., K., & A. M'Donald	Glennah	15,000	..	1,000
179	Ewen M'Donnell	Eltingamite	10,000	..	500
180	Thomas Manifold	Grassmere	23,970	..	2,000
181	J. P. Manifold	Purranbete	64,000	..	4,000
182	Henry Miller	Pierale	64,000	8,000	..
183	Henry Miller	S. Stony Rises, or Perrinvallock	44,500	..	600
184	Robert Maller	Merri Farm	1,3000	..	600
185	J. Moore & C. J. Griffith	Glennore	55,000	20,000	..
186	John M'Kay	Blackfellow's Creek	5,700	4,000	500
187	W. and J. M'Conochie	Konongwootag Creek	0,000	4,000	..
188	John Norman McLeod	Moreep	4,500	2,000	..
189	George Melkie	Glen Lyon	12,800	4,000	..
190	Muirhead and Parker	Yarram Yarram	32,000	13,000	..
191	George Murser	Mount Mercer Cattle Station	18,400	..	2,000
192	Robert Martin	Mount Sturgeon	112,000	20,000	1,000
193	Duncan M'Intyre	Ardachy	20,000	10,000	..
194	Duncan M'Intyre	Narrawong	10,000	..	500
195	Mackinnon and Murchie	Jancourt	10,000	..	1,200
196	F. M. and J. S. Manning	Manning's Farm	2,500	..	50
197	McIntyre, Sinclair, & Co.	Argyle	32,000	7,000	12
198	Duncan McRae	Glenlivet	5,200	4,000	500
199	Duncan McRae	Pleasant Hill	12,000	5,000	..
200	Duncan McRae	Sinclair, or Hunter's Creek	16,340	2,000	12
201	Peter M'Arthur	Lawreony	12,500	6,000	..
202	Peter M'Arthur	Merringerott	13,191	7,000	..
203	John McPherson	Spring Bank	25,000	..	1,000
204	John McPherson	Nerrin Nerrin	52,027	14,000	..
205	William McPherson	Nangecha	16,000	6,500	..
206	M'Nichol and M'Kinnon	Donnon	4,023	..	1,000
207	Edwel and D. M'Callum	Ardno	32,000	8,000	..
208	Patrick M'Ginnis	Mount Pleasant	12,500	..	600
209	M'Millan and Wilson	Commerallghip	25,374	10,000	..
210	M'Millan and Wilson	Dereel, including Mount Misery	17,315	7,000	..
211	Mercer and Lockhart	Kanonalla	55,615	20,000	..
212	C. Parquhar Mackinnon	Nangwarry	12,000	..	400
213	Macdonald & Mackenzie	Sulzort	6,000	4,000	650
214	John and Robert Moffat	Breakfast Creek	15,000	7,000	..
215	J. N. McLeod (per G. Bally)	Borhoneyghurk	24,700	8,000	..
216	Lachlan Mackinnon	Mount Fyans	48,546	12,000	1,200
217	Nicholson and Higgins	Junc. Hopkins and Back's R.	18,166	..	1,500
218	Oliphant and Robertson	Little Corangamite	34,240	15,000	50
219	Arthur Pilleau	Hilgay	9,659	5,000	..
220	Robert Patterson	Lake Bolac	38,400	15,000	..
221	David Power	Wando Dale, three Wandos	19,806	..	800
222	John Pearson	Retreat	10,758	6,000	..
223	Charles Payne	Muston's Creek	15,000	7,000	400
224	James Frederick Palmer	Caramut	17,000	6,000	300
225	Peter Purton	Victoria Lagoon	20,000	4,000	..
226	William Patterson	Hunterston	2,000	15,000	30
227	Richardson and Ayres	Keayang	13,389	..	800
228	Riley and Barker	Kentworth	63,000	20,000	800
229	John Ritchie	Cape Wrath	11,000	5,000	..
230	John Ritchie	Urang Arunga	20,000	2,000	1,700
231	William Roadknight	Stony Rises	26,000	6,500	..
232	George Robertson	Warrock, Glenelg	11,000	5,000	50
233	Alexander Russell	Mawalock	25,780	13,000	..
234	W. and H. Robertson	Mount Struan	16,000	3,000	..
	John Ross	Mount William Plains	20,000	9,000	50

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			Acres.	Sheep. Cattle	
236	Russell and Simpson ..	Carngham .....	30,000	16,000	..
237	Richardson and Scott ..	Parringyallack .....	19,971	..	2,000
238	James Ritchie .....	Blackwood .....	10,000	5,000	..
239	John G. Robertson .....	Wando Vale .....	11,338	6,000	40
240	Wm. and J. Robertson ..	Struan .....	4,880	4,000	650
241	Geo. Fred. Bead, jun. ...	Cargerie .....	23,710	10,000	50
242	William Rowe .....	Nairnral .....	12,284	6,000	..
243	William Robertson .....	Colet Colet .....	6,000	..	1,000
244	Alexander Ross .....	Glenorchy .....	15,000	8,000	..
245	Peter Sharp .....	Morangourke .....	18,333	6,000	600
246	John J. B. Smythe .....	Nentingbull .....	10,440	5,000	300
247	William Sherrin .....	Moderbrook .....	3,648	4,000	700
248	Simon Staughton .....	Brisbane Range Exford Station	70,400	50,000	300
249	Scott, Brothers .....	Woodford .....	2,903	10,000	..
250	William Francis Splatt ..	Durgholm .....	67,200	6,000	..
251	William Francis Splatt ..	Boscneath .....	48,000	6,000	..
252	Robert William Steiglitz ..	Italian .....	4,830	4,000	50
253	Adolphus Seales .....	Woodhouse .....	16,000	8,000	..
254	Stirling and Fairbairn ..	Congbool .....	28,000	8,000	..
255	Stewart and Kernshead ..	Bung Brungle .....	7,000	6,000	..
256	John Stephens .....	Pullmere, or Basin Lake .....	1,200	1,200	..
257	Robert Sutherland .....	Native Creek Run .....	22,400	10,000	..
258	A. Scott and Sons .....	Mount Bonnyong .....	16,000	..	600
259	Francis Scott .....	Drumborg .....	5,000	3,000	..
260	H. N. Simson & J. Duerdin ..	Kilmory .....	21,100	..	1,800
261	H. N. Simson & J. Duerdin ..	Narnbool .....	22,842	8,000	100
262	Charles Saunders .....	Fitzroy L'Estrange .....	8,000	3,000	300
263	John Summers .....	Bryan O'Lynn .....	12,800	..	600
264	David Edward Stodart .....	Corumnan .....	55,008	2,500	600
265	Strong and Foster .....	St. Mary's .....	16,000	..	1,800
266	John Stillard .....	Lower Crawford .....	10,000	3,000	..
267	Chas. Augustus Synnot .....	Gherangmarrah .....	19,107	8,000	..
268	John Stephens .....	St. Stephen's Station .....	3,200	3,000	400
269	Donald Cameron Simson .....	Glenisla .....	90,000	25,000	500
270	Stevens and Thomson .....	Yalla Pourra .....	66,493	22,000	100
271	Thomas E. Tulloh .....	Bongmire .....	15,000	8,000	..
272	Tennent and Lyon .....	Gnarkeet .....	28,200	12,000	50
273	Thomson & Cunningham .....	Mount Emu .....	40,000	20,000	..
274	Joseph Tolson .....	Native Creek .....	12,925	5,000	..
275	Charles Thomas .....	Heathfield .....	50,000	6,000	300
276	Jas. and John Thomson .....	Kellambete .....	26,650	12,000	500
277	Dr. William Thomson .....	Yatram .....	18,779	9,500	..
278	William Thomson .....	Park Hill .....	9,680	7,000	..
279	Thomson and Cooper .....	Challicum .....	40,232	15,000	100
280	Geo. and Harry Thomson .....	Challicum .....	32,200	10,500	75
281	Duncan E. Cooper .....	Warrupiojoe .....	14,652	4,700	25
282	J. T. and W. C. Thomson .....	Warrambine .....	26,301	10,000	..
283	Roderick Urquhart .....	Kinkell .....	10,000	..	640
284	Urquhart and M'Intosh .....	Glendinning .....	34,928	8,000	150
285	Chas. A. Von Steiglitz .....	Duriddwarrah .....	24,000	8,000	..
286	Richard Vine .....	Woodburn, Steep Bank Rivulet .....	7,200	8,000	50
287	George Winter .....	Tahara and Winnihurn .....	24,000	10,000	1,100
288	John Ware .....	Mount Napier Road .....	3,200	3,000	..
289	J. G. Ware .....	Woorioyrite .....	20,800	12,000	..
290	J. G. and J. Ware .....	Minjah, late Hamilton's .....	22,750	4,000	1,200
291	Trevor Winter .....	Nagertu .....	8,000	6,000	..
292	Samuel Pratt Winter .....	Spring Valley .....	20,000	8,000	..
293	E. Willis and C. Swanston .....	Rout Narin .....	112,000	50,000	1500
294	John Dixon Wyselaskie .....	Narapumelap .....	40,180	14,000	..
295	T. Wentworth Watson .....	Satimer .....	20,000	8,000	100
296	Robert Whitehead .....	Spring Creek .....	24,000	17,000	1,800
297	James Webster .....	Mount Shadwell .....	42,700	25,000	..
298	John Winter .....	Hanshaw .....	20,000	13,000	..
299	Charles James Whyte .....	Koroite .....	8,000	6,000	..

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			mated	Grazing	Capability.
			Area.	Sheep.	Cattle
			Aeres.		
300	John Wallace .....	Ballank .....	17,000	10,000	..
301	Wright & Montgomerie .....	Banjanie .....	21,751	10,000	100
302	Wilson, Brothers .....	Woodburne .....	14,000	4,000	..
303	Whyte, Brothers .....	Konongwootong .....	57,000	25,000	50
304	William Walker, jun. ....	Squattlesen-mere .....	22,000	..	1,200
305	Williamson and Blow ..	Part of Frenchman's Station ..	17,882	8,000	..
306	Young and Turnbull ..	Mt. Korote, Dundas out-station ..	26,489	12,000	..
307	George Youl .....	Quamby .....	25,000	..	2,000
308	Arch. Buchanan Yulle ..	Ballarat .....	10,000	5,000	..

THE FIRST SALES OF HAMILTON TOWN ALLOTMENTS.

At the present time when town lots are changing hands at considerably enhanced values, it will be worth while to refer back to the period when the first blocks of Hamilton town lands were sold; as a fair idea may thereby be formed of the advancement made in the interim. The earlier sales of Hamilton lands were held at Portland, and we have been at some trouble to glean the particulars, but the following will be found to relate to the allotments in sections 2, 3, 5, and 6, which were the first blocks sold, having frontages to Gray, Thomson, French, Brown, Cox, and Martin streets:—

SALE OF TOWN LOTS, HAMILTON, HELD AT PORTLAND, MAY 25TH, 1853.

Section 2, allotment 3, 2r. (Gray-street, opposite site of the present Argyle Arms,) Donald Cameron, £31.  
 Section 2, allotment 4, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) P. Phillips, £31.  
 Section 2, allotment 5, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) P. Phillips, £41.  
 Section 2, allotment 6, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) James Blair, £38.  
 Section 2, allotment 10, 2r. (corner of Cox and French-streets, J. Smith, £40. )  
 Section 2, allotment 11, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) Donald Cameron, £36.  
 Section 2, allotment 12, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) C. P. Cooke, £39.  
 Section 2, allotment 13, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) Henry Cooke, £59.  
 Section 2, allotment 14, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) Henry Cooke, £25.  
 Section 2, allotment 17, 2r. (corner of Brown and French streets), C. P. Cooke, £31.  
 Section 2, allotment 18, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) C. P. Cooke, £45.  
 Section 2, allotment 19, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) C. P. Cooke, £60.  
 Section 3, allotment 15, 2r. (Martin-street), C. P. Cooke, £33.  
 Section 3, allotment 16, 2r. (ditto), C. P. Cooke, £30.  
 Section 5, allotment 11, 2r. (Brown-street), W. Jones, £50.  
 Section 5, allotment 11, 2r. (corner Brown and French streets), D. Cameron, £71.  
 Section 5, allotment 12, 2r. (French-street), W. Jones, £41.

SALE OF TOWN LOTS, HAMILTON, HELD AT PORTLAND, SEPTEMBER 28, 1853

Section 5, allotment 13, 2r. (French-street), T. Butler, £42.  
 Section 6, allotment 3, 2r. (ditto), S. Hutchinson, £49.  
 Section 6, allotment 5, 2r. (ditto), T. Smith, £45.  
 Section 6, allotment 11, 2r. (corner Brown and Martin streets), J. F. Corney, £50.  
 Section 6, allotment 13, 2r. (Martin-street, opposite the Burn), R. Edrich, £40.  
 Section 6, allotment 15, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) G. Hutcheson, £32.  
 Section 6, allotment 17, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) G. Hutcheson, £40.  
 Section 6, allotment 19, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) G. Hutcheson, £56.  
 Section 9, allotment 13, 2r. (French-street, opposite Botanic Gardens), J. McCon-  
 achy, £55.  
 Section 9, allotment 15, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) W. Knapp, £50.  
 Section 9, allotment 17, 2r. (ditto, ditto,) T. Smith, £61.  
 Section 10 reserved for Botanic Gardens.

## LOCAL REVENUE.

For a long time prior to 1861 payments on account of the local revenue of the Hamilton district were received at Portland, but in the year mentioned a sub-treasury was opened at Hamilton. It appears by the following figures that the revenue paid over the counter of that establishment has averaged over £100,000 a-year; and if the total were added to the sums received in Portland for Hamilton account, it would be found that over two millions sterling had been paid.

## AMOUNTS RECEIVED AT THE RECEIPT AND PAY OFFICE, HAMILTON, DURING THE YEARS 1861 TO 1875.

1861 (part of) .....	£50,955	2	1	1872 .....	£103,785	10	10
1862 .....	207,956	14	7	1873 .....	51,304	8	5
1863 .....	123,633	13	2	1874 .....	68,791	4	4
1864 .....	91,490	7	2	1875 (part of) .....	35,396	12	7
1865 .....	96,794	1	4				
1866 .....	89,428	8	0	Total .....	£1,405,028	14	2
1867 .....	92,887	10	10				
1868 .....	116,727	12	1	Exclusive of amount al-			
1869 .....	104,762	3	2	lowed for Volunteers,			
1870 .....	95,084	11	9	and other Certificates,			
1871 .....	76,630	13	10	amounting to nearly ..	£50,000	0	0

## NUMBER OF SELECTORS IN THE HAMILTON DISTRICT.

Under Land Act 1860 .....	450	Under Land Act 1869,—Section 19	2,210
Under Land Act 1862,—Section 22	802	Under Land Act 1869,—Section 20	745
Under Land Act 1862,—Section 33	19	Under Land Act 1869,—Section 49	370
Under Land Act 1865,—Section 7	514	Under Land Act 1869,—Section 33	475
Under Land Act 1865,—Section 12	4,507	Total selectors in the district ....	10,412
Under Land Act 1865,—Section 42	271		

The number of Government auction sales of land held at Hamilton during the period 1861 to 1875 was 287.

## WHO IS THE OLDEST COLONIST ?

(From the "Hamilton Spectator," September 23rd, 1874.)

At various times we have heard a good deal of the conflicting claims of different persons to be considered the earliest inhabitant of the colony of Victoria. Hitherto, so far as we are aware, the only evidence placed before the public has consisted of oral or written statements, which may be, and often have been, contradicted. The opportunity has been afforded us to-day to publish a sworn declaration from one of the claimants, which document ought certainly to be regarded as carrying more authenticity than a mere statement. The declaration has been made by William Dutton, who is at present a splitter somewhere in the neighbourhood of Narrawong, and who, according to his own account, was born in Sydney in 1811, being therefore 63 years of age at the present time. Dutton dates his arrival at Portland about four and a half years before Mr. E. Henty visited the Bay in the schooner *Thistle*, and



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he says he built a house and lived in it, residing there for a twelvemonth between 1831 and 1832, and also during other intervals. The operation of "tonguing" which Dutton describes the Hentys to have been engaged in in 1835 consisted in removing the tongues of marine animals to get out the oil.

Subjoined is the declaration:—

"I, William Dutton, of Narrawong, in the colony of Victoria, farmer, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I was born in Sydney, in New South Wales, on the 31st day of August, 1811. That my parents emigrated to that town from England, and that about the year 1813, I went with them to Hobart Town, in Van Diemen's Land. I was brought up in Hobart Town, until I took to the sea. I first visited Portland Bay in the month of December, 1828, in the schooner "Madeira Packet," of Sydney, Captain M'Mullen; we were on a sealing expedition; we landed a boat's crew (myself amongst them) at Blacknose Point, a little on the south of the Bay. We remained in this neighbourhood until the middle of January, 1829. In July, 1829, I returned in the schooner "Henry," Captain M'Lean; we were again sealing. I was captain of a boat, and was landed at the Whaler's Point or Single Corner, where the creek from the lagoon enters the sea, and remained to seal. I built a house and lived in it. In January, 1830, I embarked again in the same schooner, and went away sealing. I again came to Portland in March, 1831, in the same schooner, but then under Captain Griffiths. We came to anchor off Blacknose Point, and came round to the Bay in the boats. I landed at the same place, and returned to my house, and lived in it over 12 months. The "Elizabeth" schooner, under Captain Griffiths, took me away, but I returned in the same vessel in November, 1832, and again lived here until March, 1833. I then took a trip to Launceston and back, going in the "Elizabeth" and returning in the "Henry," of which last-named vessel I then had the command, and established a whaling fishery in Portland Bay. I erected buildings, and grew potatoes and other vegetables for my own use. While living here Mr. Edward Henty paid the Bay a visit in the schooner "Thistle," Captain Liddle, in July, 1833, on his way from Swan River to Launceston, and he (Henty) returned in November, 1834, to live here. In 1835 the Hentys commenced "tonguing." I was during this time living here. And I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of an act of Parliament of Victoria, rendering persons making a false declaration punishable for wilful and corrupt perjury.

"W. DUTTON."

Declared at Portland, in the colony of Victoria, this eleventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, before me,

W. A. MOORE, J.P.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HAMILTON SPECTATOR.

Sir,—Being qualified by an intimate connection with the earliest events of the history of Victoria, I desire to make a statement in reply to the question in your issue of the 23rd of September last, viz., "Who is the Oldest Colonist?"

Mr. Wm. Dutton's declaration, published in connection with the question referred to, I believe to be correct, and accords with my own knowledge, showing that Dutton went to Portland Bay periodically for whaling and sealing purposes only.

Whatever honour attaches to being the first colonist belongs, I consider, to Mr. Edward Henty, whose settlement I vouch for in the subjoined declaration, which I trust you will find space to publish.—I am, &c.,

Queenscliff, 10th October, 1874.

JAMES LIDDELL.

"I, James Liddell, of Queenscliff, in the colony of Victoria, master mariner, do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that I was master of the schooner Thistle, — tons, of Launceston, owned by Henty Brothers, in 1832; and that, under instructions, I called at Port Lincoln, S.A., in the course of a voyage from Swan River, W.A., for the purpose of conveying back to Launceston Mr. Edward Henty, who had gone by the barque Carnarvon to inspect the country around Spencer's Gulf.

"On the way we called at Portland Bay, in July, 1833. Mr. Henty was so pleased with the aspect of the place that he determined to return and examine it more particularly. So on our arrival at Launceston he took the opportunity of the schooner Elizabeth, Captain Hart, going to Portland to load oil from the whaling

party located there, of which William Dutton was one, and he returned to Launceston, fully determined to settle at Portland Bay. I was then ordered to convey Mr. Edward Henty and his father to Swan River, in order to close their business there, with the view of settling at Portland. On this voyage we called at Portland Bay, in December, 1833, and other places, including Kangaroo Island, Spencer's Gulf, Port Augusta, King George's Sound, &c., &c., and returning, looked in again at Portland Bay.

"The Thistle was then refitted at Launceston, in October, 1834, and Mr. Edward Henty embarked with labourers, and a cargo of cattle, farming implements, building material, general stores, fruit trees, vines, seeds, &c., and landed at Portland Bay on the 19th of November, 1834; and I returned to Launceston, and was constantly employed for nearly two years in carrying stock, stores, and people to the new settlement.

"And I further declare that, when Mr. Henty landed, there was no cultivation, nor were there any cattle or sheep there previous to those landed by Mr. Henty; and I believe it was Mr. Henty's settlement that enabled Dutton to become a permanent resident.

"And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of Parliament of Victoria, rendering persons making a false declaration punishable for wilful and corrupt perjury.

"JAMES LIDDELL."

Declared at Queenscliff, in the colony of Victoria, this tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, before me,

D. J. WILLIAMS, JUN. J.P.

#### HERSCHEL'S WEATHER TABLES.

When the Moon changes	In Summer you may expect	In Winter you may expect
Between the hours of		
12 noon and 1 p.m.	Much rain ... ..	Snow and rain.
Between 2 and 4 p.m.	Changeable ... ..	Fair and mild.
.. 4 and 6 ..	Fair ... ..	Fair.
.. 6 and 10 ..	Fair if the Wind blows from E. or S.E. Rain if N. or N.E. ... ..	Fair and frosty if wind be S. or S.W. Rain if wind be N. or N.E.
.. 10 and 12 night	Fair ... ..	Fair and Frost.
.. 12 and 2 morn	Fair ... ..	Frost unless wind be N. or N.E. Rain.
.. 2 and 4 ..	Cold and Showers ... ..	Snow and stormy.
.. 4 and 6 ..	Rainy ... ..	Snow, rain, and stormy.
.. 6 and 8 ..	Gusty wind and rain	Stormy weather.
.. 8 and 10 ..	Changeable ... ..	Rain wind E., snow W.
.. 10 and 12 ..	Showers ... ..	Cold and windy.

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