Received from the Contractor at Melbourne Port Phillip the undermentioned Articles being for rations issued for the use Emigrants from 1st to the 16th February 1845 viz.

		Rations of Provisions to Male Adults
16	Sixteen	Ditto Ditto to Female Adults
32	Thirty two	Ditto Ditto to Children under 10 years of a

Joseph Burns
Overseer of Works.

A. 6, No. 1.

FIXED CONTINGENT ABSTRACT.

No. of of Warrant of 184 . Melbourne Voucher, No. 47 of Abstract C.
~~New South Wales~~, 12th March 1845.

ABSTRACT of FIXED CONTINGENCIES in the DEPARTMENT of The Post Office
from the 1st July to the 31st December 1844, inclusively.

	No. of Voucher.	Amount. £	s.	d.
To Amount of advances made by S. B. Usher as Acting Postmaster for the District of Port Phillip as follows;				
Commission to Postmasters in the District of Port Phillip for the half year ending 31st Decr. 1844.		104.	5.	8.
Allowance for Light to Postmasters in the District of Port Phillip for the half year ending 31st Decr. 1844.		7.	7.	6.
TOTAL..... £		111.	13.	2.

I certify, upon honor, that to the best of my knowledge and belief after due enquiry, the Expenses charged in the above Abstract were necessarily incurred for carrying on the Public Service, and that the Charges are made either according to authorised Rates, or at the lowest Prices for which the Articles and Services charged could be procured at the time they were engaged for. I further certify, that the Articles herein charged for were purchased for issue, under the authority of His Excellency the Governor.

S. B. Usher
Acting Postmaster

Examined and found to be correct.

Auditor General.

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16. 5. 1. *Commission.*

— . 15. — . *Light.*

£17. — . 1.

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP~~, Esq., *Postmaster for the District, the Sum of*

the 5th *day of* February 1845.

Sam Gloucker

Seventeen pounds & one pence

being in full of

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st July

to 31st December 1844, *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment,

A. K. Gadden

POSTMASTER.

3. 1½. 2. *Commission.*

—. 15. —. *Light.*

£4. 12. 2

Sandhurst the 5th day of February 1843.

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP~~, ESQ., *Postmaster for the District, the Sum of*

Four pounds twelve shillings
and two pence *being in full of*

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st July

to 31st December 184~~2~~, *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment,

H. H. Madden

Wm Russell

POSTMASTER.

10. 4. 9. *Commission.*

. 15. —. *Light.*

£ 10. 19. 9.

Sam'l Hyslop the 5th day of February 1843.

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP~~, ESQ., *Postmaster for the District, the sum of*

Ten pounds, nineteen shillings

and nine pence *being in full of*

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st July

to 31st December 1842, *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment

John Chantel

Sam'l Hyslop

POSTMASTER.

£ s. d.

4. 5. 2. *Commission.*

—. 10. —. *Light.*

£ 4. 15. 2.

Sam'l Ussher the 5th day of February 1845.

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP,~~ ESQ., *Postmaster for the District, the sum of*

Four pounds fifteen shillings
and two pence *being in full of*

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st Septr
to 31st Decr 184 4, *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment,

A. Maddew

P. Walsh
POSTMASTER.

2. 8. 4. *Commission.*

— . 10. — . *Light.*

£ 2. 18. 4.

the 5th *day of* February 1845.

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP~~ Sam'l Musher, ESQ., *Postmaster for the District, the sum of*

Two pounds eighteen Shillings
and fourpence *being in full of*

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st Sept.
to 31st Dec 1844, *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment, H. Maddern Lewis Walker POSTMASTER.

—. 18. 9 *Commission.*

—. 5. —. *Light.*

£ 1. 3. 9

Sam'l Flusher the 5th day of July 1845.

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP~~, Esq., *Postmaster for the District, the sum of*

One pound three shillings
and nine pence *being in full of*

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st July

to 31st Augt, 1845 *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment,

H. H. Gadsden

POSTMASTER.

44. 5. 8. *Commission.*

—. 15. —. *Light.*

£ 45. —. 8.

Sam'l Mercher the 12th day of February 1845.

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP~~, ESQ., *Postmaster for the District, the sum of*

Forty five pounds and eightpence

being in full of

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st July

to 31st December 1844, *inclusively.*

James Harrison

WITNESS to the Payment,

H. R Caddeo

POSTMASTER.

4. 6. 6. *Commission.*

—. 15. —. *Light.*

£5. 1. 6.

the 12th day of February 1845.

Sam Flusker

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP~~, ESQ., *Postmaster for the District, the sum of*

Five pounds one Shilling
and six pence ——— *being in full of*

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st July

to 31st Decr 184x, *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment,

H. K. Cadden

W Burges POSTMASTER.

5. 4. 9. *Commission.*

— . 15. — . *Light.*

£ 5. 19. 9.

Sam'l Tusher the 12th day of February 1845.

RECEIVED from ~~Henry D. Kemp,~~ Esq., *Postmaster for the District, the Sum of*

Five pounds nineteen shillings and nine pence — *being in full of*

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st July

to 31st Decr 1844, *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment,

H. Haddon

T. Bond

POSTMASTER.

—. 14. 6. *Commission.*
—. 2. 6 *Light.*
£ —. 17. —.

the Sam'l Slusher 12th *day of* February 1845.

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP,~~ Esq., *Postmaster for the District, the Sum of*

Seventeen Shillings

being in full of the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st Decr. *to* 31st Decr. 1844, *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment,
H. P. Madden

Richard Clarke
POSTMASTER.

8. 15. 1. *Commission.*

—. 15. —. *Light.*

£ 9. 10. 1.

Sawyl Lusher the 12th day of February 1845.

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP~~, ESQ., *Postmaster for the District, the Sum of*

Nine pounds ten shillings

and One penny —— *being in full of*

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st July

to 31st Decr 1844, *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment,

Thomas Smithstead

POSTMASTER.

2 . 19 . 11 *Commission.*

— . 15 . — *Light.*

£3 . 14 . 11

Sam'l Glassher The 12th day of February 1845.

RECEIVED from ~~HENRY D. KEMP,~~ Esq., *Postmaster for the District, the Sum of*

Three pounds fourteen shillings and eleven pence *being in full of*

the amount due to me for Commission and Allowance for Light, for the period from 1st July

to 31st Decr 184 4, *inclusively.*

WITNESS to the Payment,

H. P. Gadden

F. Anderson

POSTMASTER.

Abstract and Acquittances of Commission due to the Postmasters in the District of Port Phillip on postage collected by them during the half Year commencing 1st July and ending 31st December 1844 and paid over to the Postmaster for the District previous to 31st January 1845.

Designation	Station	Name	Period From	Period To	Amount of Collections on which the Commission paid over to the Sub-Treasurer		Commission is Payable			Commission to each Rate per Cent	Commission to each Amount			We, the undersigned do hereby acknowledge to have received from S. J. Ussher Postmaster for the District the sums in the last column opposite to our several names in full of our commission respectively for the periods stated in this Abstract for which we have signed receipts in triplicate	Date of Payment	Witness to the Payment
			1844													
Postmaster for the District	Melbourne	Henry D Kemp	1st July	30th Novr	803	8										
Do. Acting	do	Samuel J. Ussher	1. Decr	31. Decr	43	6										
					846	14										
Postmasters	Kilmore	Francis Anderson	1st July	31st Decr	14	19		14	19	8.	20.	2	19.	11.		
	Seymour	Gilbert Nicol	1. July	31. Decr	43	15		43	15	5.	20.	8	15	1.		
	Broken River	Richard Clark	1. Decr	31. Decr	3	12		3	12	10.	20.	"	14	6.		
	Ovens	Thomas Bond	1. July	31. Decr	26	[illegible]		26	4	"	20.	5	4	9		
	Alberton	James Park	1st April	30th June	7	5	7 " 3.									
	Mount Macedon	William Bayes	1. July	31. Decr	21.	12		21.	12	9.	20.	4	6.	6.		
	Geelong	James Harrison	1. July	31 Decr	221	8.		221	8	8.	20.	44	5	8.		
	Ballan	Robt Wm Stieglitz	1. July	31. Augt	4	14		4	14	"	20.	"	18	9		
	do	Lewis Walker	1. Septr	31. Decr	12	2		12	2	"	20.	2	8.	4.		
	Fiery Creek	Patrick Walsh	1. Septr	31. Decr	21	5		21	5	11.	20.	4	5	2.		
	Port Fairy	George A. Coulson	1st April	30th June	12	[illegible]	12 19 4.									
			1. July	31. Decr	51	3		51	3	11.	20.	10.	4.	9.		
	The Grange	William Russell	1. July	31. Decr	19	5		19.	5	10.	20.	3	17.	2.		
	Portland	Geo: Godwin Crouch	1. July	31. Decr	81	5		81.	5.	5.	20.	16	5	1.		
					541	10										
				Total	£1,388	4	19 7	521	10.	5.		104	5	8.		

* Commission was paid to Alberton Postmaster on £7. 0. 3. and to Port Fairy Postmaster on the 12. 19. 4. under special authority

See contingent Abstract 26th Septr 1844

I certify that the several sums enumerated in the first column of the above Abstract amounting to Five hundred and forty one pounds ten shillings were received by me from the respective Postmasters as therein stated, between the 1st July and 31st December 1844, inclusively; and that I have regularly paid over the same to the Sub-Treasurer as may be seen by the several monthly statements rendered by me to the Postmaster General in the same period

S. J. Ussher.

Postmaster for the District

Abstract and Acquittances of Allowances to the undermentioned Postmasters in the District of Port Phillip for Light for Sealing and for Night Duty from 1st July to 31st December 1844. inclusively; as authorised by letter from the Colonial Secretary to the Postmaster General Dated 7th October 1834.

Station	Name	Period From	Period To	Amount Allowance at 30/- per Annum			To the undersigned, do hereby acknowledge to have received from Saml. J. Usher Esqr. Acting Postmaster for the District, the sums opposite to our several names, in payment of the above mentioned allowance to us respectively; for the periods herein specified	Date of payment		Witness to the payment
		1844								
Kilmore	Francis Anderson	1st July	31st Decr.	"	15		receipts herewith	March	12	See receipts
Seymour	Gilbert Nicol	1. July	31. Decr.	"	15		receipts herewith	—	—	
Broken River	Richard Clark	1. Decr.	31. Decr.	"	2	6	receipts herewith	—	—	
Ovens	Thomas Bond	1. July	31. Decr.	"	15		receipts herewith	—	—	
Mount Macedon	William Bayes	1. July	31. Decr.	"	15		receipts herewith	—	—	
Geelong	James Harrison	1. July	31. Decr.	"	15		receipts herewith	—	—	
Ballan	Robert William Stieglitz	1. July	31 Augst.	"	5		receipts herewith	—	—	
do.	Lewis Walker	1. Sept.	31. Decr.	"	10		receipts herewith	—	—	
Fiery Creek	Patrick Walsh	1. Sept.	31. Decr.	"	10		receipts herewith	—	—	
Port Fairy	George Alexander Coulson	1. July	31. Decr.	"	15		receipts herewith	—	—	
The Grange	William Russell	1. July	31. Decr.	"	15		receipts herewith	—	—	
Portland	George Godwin Crouch	1. July	31. Decr.	"	15		receipts herewith	—	—	
			Total	£ 7.	7.	6				

I certify that the above named Individuals were employed as postmasters at the places and during the periods specified opposite to the name of each respectively and that I consider the allowance charged was necessary to cover their expense for Light for Sealing and for Night Duty.

S. J. Usher

Acting postmaster for the District

Witness to payment.

VOUCHER No. OF ABSTRACT,

Sub-Treasury, Melbourne,

22nd March 1845

I, the Undersigned, do hereby acknowledge to have received from WILLIAM LONSDALE,

Esq., Sub-Treasurer, the sum of Six ——— Pounds,

Two ——— Shillings, and four ——— Pence, being for

Fixed Contingencies ———

as by accompanying account of particulars

from the 1st. September to the 31st. Decr 1844

and for which I have signed receipts in triplicate.

£ 6. 2. 4. *sterling.* S. Usher

Witness to payment.

A. 6, No. 1.

FIXED CONTINGENT ABSTRACT.

No. of of Warrant of 184 . Voucher, No. 48 of Abstract C.

Melbourne
~~New South Wales~~, 19th March 1845.

ABSTRACT of FIXED CONTINGENCIES in the DEPARTMENT of The Post Office

from the 1st Septr to the 31st December 1844, inclusively.

	No. of Voucher.	Amount. £	s.	d.
To Amount due to the undermentioned parties for the Services stated,				
To Edward Atkins, for Amount of horse hire in conveyance of the Overland Mail in month of September 1844	1.	1.	"	"
To Thomas Sheehan, for Services rendered in conveyance of the Overland Mail in month of September, as per accompanying receipt.	2.	5.	"	"
To James Park, Postmaster Albertow, as refund of gratuities paid by him on Mails and Mail Letters received at Albertow from Post Offices on the Coast between 1st October and 31st December	3.	"	2.	4.
TOTAL.....£		6.	2.	4.

I certify, upon honor, that to the best of my knowledge and belief after due enquiry, the Expenses charged in the above Abstract were necessarily incurred for carrying on the Public Service, and that the Charges are made either according to authorised Rates, or at the lowest Prices for which the Articles and Services charged could be procured at the time they were engaged for. I further certify, that the Articles herein charged for were purchased for issue, under the authority of His Excellency the Governor.

S. Usher.
Acting Postmaster

Examined and found to be correct.

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Auditor General.

No. of Abstract

to Warrant No. 184

Voucher No. of Abstract

THE DEPARTMENT OF The Post Office Melbourne 26th July 1845.

Dr. to Edward Atkins

For the undermentioned SERVICES performed for the Department, viz.:—

DATE.			AMOUNT.		
1845.			£	s.	d.
July	26	To Amount of horse hire for conveyance of Mail on 26th September 1844 at the rate of £1. per day	1.	0	0
		Edwd Atkins TOTAL..... £	1.	0	0

I Certify that the Services charged in the above Account were satisfactorily performed, according to agreement, by the above-named individual. I further certify that they were necessarily required for the Public Service, and the Rates charged were the most reasonable for which they could be procured at the time they were stipulated for.

S. Hopkins acting Postmaster

RECEIVED on the 28th February 1845, from S. Hopkins

the Sum of One Pounds, Shillings,

and Pence Sterling, in full payment of the above account, for which have signed Triplicate Receipts of the same tenor and date.

Edwd Atkins

Witness to the payment,

H. P. Madden

S. Goode, Government Printer, Patriot Office, Melbourne.

Extract of a letter from the Postmaster General to His Excellency the Governor. —

I further do myself the honor to request that the Superintendent of Port Phillip may be authorized to sanction the following expenses should His Honor consider the same reasonable and necessarily incurred. - viz. -

H. Galway - for Horseline -	£	4	-
H. B. Watson — do —		4	—
Thos Bond — do —		2	5 —
E. Atkins — do —		1	—
Richd Clark — do —		1	—
	£	12	5.

And that in consideration of the exertions made by a man named Sheahan at the instance of the Postmaster of Melbourne a Reward of £5. may be allowed to him —

Received from S. Usher Esq. Acting Post Master for the District the sum of Two Shillings & four pence in repayment of Sums Advanced by me as per foregoing Account

Witness to the Payment

E. T. Newton

J. Park

Post Master

No. of Abstract **Warrant No. of 184 .** **Voucher No. of Abstract.**

WE, the undersigned, do hereby acknowledge to have received from James Park *Postmaster, at* Alberton *the Sums specified below, opposite to our several Names, for Mails and loose Letters brought by us from Stations on the Coast of New South Wales and Port Phillip, delivered at the Post Office, between the* 1st *of* October *and the* 31st *of* December 184*4; as authorised under* 4th *Clause of the Act of the Governor and Council,* 4th *Victoria, No.* 9.

Date of Payment.	Ship's Name.	Whence Arrived.	No. of Letters at 1d. each.	Amount. £	s.	d.	Master's Signature.	Witness to the Payment.
Nov. 5th	Ettrick	Melbourne	15	—	1	3	Duncan Ba[illegible]	John Robinson
Dec. 3	Palmyra 18 "ast	Sydney	13	—	1	1	Tho[illegible]	E. J. Newton

Melbourne 28th Feby
1845.

Received from S. Ilfsher acting Postmaster, the Sum of Five Pounds as a reward from Government for conveyance of the Sydney Overland Mail in the Month of September 1844.

Thos Sheahan
his
mark

£5.-.-.- Witness J Sheahan

Melbourne, 18th February 1845.

45/199.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 12th Instant, I have the honor to state that I approve of the Reward of five pounds being allowed to the man named in the margin for services performed by him during the irregularity on the part of the late Contractor in the conveyance of the Sydney overland mail

I have &c

(Sign) C. J. La Trobe

J. Usher Esqre
Acting Postmaster
Melbourne

True copy
A.R.L.

S. Goode, Printer, Patriot Office, Collins-street.

Melbourne, 18th February 1845.

45/199.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 12th Instant, I have the honor to state that I approve of the Reward of five pounds being allowed to the man named in the margin for services performed by him during the irregularity on the part of the late Contractor in the conveyance of the Sydney overland mail

I have &c

(Sign) C. J. La Trobe

J. Upton Esqre
Acting Postmaster
Melbourne

True copy
H.P.L.

S. Goode, Printer, Patriot Office, Collins-street.

No. of Abstract to Warrant 184 .

Voucher No. 49 of Abstract C 138

The Department of the Gaol Port Phillip,

Dr. to ~~Messrs.~~ Craig ~~& Broadfoot~~, Contractor~~s~~.

	£.	s.	d.
For the undermentioned Daily Rations of Provisions and Articles supplied to the Sick in Gaol, for the period, from the 1 November to the 31 December 1844, as per accompanying Returns, viz. :—			
3 Three pounds Tea @ 1/10		5	6
18 Eighteen " Sugar 2¼		3	4
TOTAL.....£		8	10

Signature of the Contractor ☞ Skene Craig

I CERTIFY that the whole of the Daily Rations and Articles charged for in the above Account were duly supplied for the Period therein stated, by the above-named Contractor~~s~~; and that in respect both of Quality, Quantity, and description of Articles, the same were agreeable to the Terms of ~~their~~ his Contract.

P. Cussen M.D.

RECEIVED on the 15th March 1845, from WILLIAM LONSDALE, Esquire, Sub-Treasurer, the sum of Eight shillings & ten pence — in full payment of the above Account, for which we have signed Duplicate Receipts of the same tenor and date.

Witness to the payment, Skene Craig

S. Goode, Printer, Patriot Office, Collins-street.