**Queensland Railway Employees**

**1890 - 1915**

**State Library of Queensland**

Explanatory Information

These open data files contain indexes listing appointments and removals of railway employees in Queensland between 1890 and 1915.

**About this index**In the period 1890 to 1915, the appointments and removals of Queensland railway employees were listed annually in the *Queensland Legislative Assembly Votes &* *Proceedings*. This index collects the names of those employees together with information about locations and job roles.

The original copies of *Queensland Legislative Assembly Votes &* *Proceedings* used to create these indexes can be located on microfilm at MFL 328.943 on Level 3 of the State Library of Queensland at South Bank Brisbane. The *Queensland Parliamentary Papers* for records from 1902 onward are also available on microfilm at MFL 328.9431.

Digitised copies of the documents within *Queensland Legislative Assembly Votes &* *Proceedings* and *Queensland Parliamentary Papers* (from 1902 onward) can be found at Online Tabled Papers, Queensland Parliament, https://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/Work-of-the-Assembly/Tabled-Papers/Online-Tabled-Papers.

**About these data files**

This index was prepared by volunteers transcribing records from the original documents into a database. The data has been extracted from the database and edited for clarity and consistency. Edits included:

* Correcting spelling errors
* Removing variations in spelling, capitalisation and hyphenation for repeated information such as branch names or job roles
* Abbreviated forms of personal names have been expanded e.g Hy. is Henry

The data is provided in a comma separated values (CSV) file. The file can be opened as a text file, or in spreadsheet software such as Microsoft Excel. Please note that if you are using Excel, it is best to use the Text Import Wizard and import all columns as ‘text’ rather than ‘general’ format. This will prevent Excel making changes to numbers or dates in the file.

**Queensland Railways – Appointments of Employees**

**and**

**Queensland Railways - Removals of Employees**

These two datasets each have the following fields:

**ID**

An identification number for the record within the dataset

**Name**

This text field shows the surname followed by the first name, initials or expanded form of the abbreviated name of the employee. For example, “Jenner, Hy. Wm. is Jenner, Henry William”, “Lymburner, Norman”, “Unsworth, W.R.”, “Ackerman, M. Mrs”

**Date**

The date of appointment or date of removal are in the format of dd mmm yyyy, for example “10 Oct 1889”.

**Branch**

This text field shows the name of the branch, department or office employing the person. It may include the location. For example, “Signal and Light Branch”, “Townsville Railway, Maintenance Branch”, “Southern and Western Railway, Locomotive Department”.

**Position**

This text field shows the position the person was employed in. For example, “Wagon-builder”, “Stenotypist”, “Labourer”

**Remuneration**

This field shows the amount the person was paid. The length of time varies from per day to per annum. The amount is in pounds, shillings and/or pence. For example, “7 shillings 6 pence per day”, “25 shillings per week”, “150 pounds per annum; allowance 50 pounds”

**Remarks**

This field shows the reason for the appointment or removal or other comments. For example, “Formation of a flying gang”, “Opening to Cunnamulla”, “Resigned”

**Source**

This field shows that the source of the record is “Queensland Legislative Assembly Votes and Proceedings” for records before 1902 or “Queensland Parliamentary Papers” for records between 1902 and 1915.

**Year**

This field shows the year the record was published, for example “1892”.

**Volume**

This field shows the volume where the original record is published.

**Page**

This field shows the page number of the original record, for example “11”.

**Digitised Source Extract**

This field shows the title of the digitised document that is the source of the record found in “Queensland Legislative Assembly Votes and Proceedings” for records before 1902 or “Queensland Parliamentary Papers” for records between 1902 and 1915.

**Table No. within Extract**

**This field shows the Table Number of the data transcribed from the** digitised document that is the source of the record.

**Pages within Extract**

This field shows the page number range of the table within **from the** digitised document that is the source of the record.

**URL of Digitised Source Extract**

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