

5/553. (1)

19 July 1851.

With reference to Roads near the Tower Hill
March. St. James

^{correspondence}
^{enclosed} I have the honor to transmit the
enclosed correspondence relative to the marking
of Roads near the Tower Hill Marsh by Mr.
Assistant Surveyor Watson, and to observe that
the conduct of Messrs Rutledge, Woodward, and
Conolly, in condemning roads they had not
previously inspected appears very extraordinary.
From what I can glean from the report, I
consider Mr Watson has acted judiciously in
the matter.

As soon as His Excellency has seen
the correspondence, I wish the same returned,
with the tracing, to this office, in order that
I may give Mr Watson final instructions.

With reference to survey of runs in the Portland
Bay District and forwarding Mr. C. C. Group's
letter respecting it.

5/554. (2)

19 July 1851.

^{letter}
^{enclosed} In transmitting the enclosed letter
received from Mr. C. C. Group, respecting the
assistance required by that officer, in the
preparation of licenses of runs, in the P. Bay
District I beg to observe that if the other
Crown Commissioners have the same means
placed at their disposal, the expense it will
entail on the Government will be considerable.

Unless some additional allowance for
equipment and men is sanctioned by the Local
Government, I fear the present rate paid to
Boundary Surveyors viz 10/- per mile will not
induce competent persons to perform the duty
in a satisfactory manner.

5/555 (3)

19 July 1851.

With reference to land in the forthcoming
Land Sale on which valuable improvements
are erected.

With reference to the forthcoming Land.

Sir, I have the honor to state, that among the lots to be advertised are several on which Tuns, staves &c, have been used, the proprietors or business of which, will, I presume, under the last Order in Council dated 19 June 1850, be allowed to claim the preemptive right to purchase, I therefore beg you will have the goodness to inform me, whether lots so circumstanced are to be excluded from the proclamation or withdrawn at any time previous to the day of sale. R.H.

5/58. (4)
21 July/51. With reference Mr Cameron's application to purchase nearly all the available land on his run in the Settled District and forwarding Mr Frost's report thereon.

Sir,
I have the honor to forward a copy of Mr Frost's report of the land at Mr Cameron's station (late Ruffin), and to state that Mr Cameron has applied to purchase nearly all the available land within his run, at the upset price; but as his run is situated within the Settled District, I consider if he is allowed the preemptive right of purchasing half a section, to include his homestead and improvements, it would be amply sufficient, and the remainder to be marked into 80 acre farms for sale, I therefore request you will have the goodness to bring the subject before His Excellency the Lt. Governor, before any further instructions are given to Mr Frost. R.H.

5/52. 51
22 July/51. With reference to the laying down the various runs beyond the Settled District

Sir,
In laying down the various runs beyond the Settled District, I find that many of them are of the most irregular shapes, and in several cases overlapping each other; I would therefore request to be informed if these figures are to be altered, as by doing so it may leave out ponds

or desirable spots of good pasture

2. To give accurate descriptions for leases, lines must be described as straight even if the irregular figure is admitted.

3. With respect to the overlapping, I presume this can be arranged by the Crown Commissioners of the District. R.H.

5/53. 161
22 July/51.

With reference to land to be proclaimed for sale at Melbourne with descriptions.

Sir,
In accordance with the provisions of the Waste Land Act, I have the honor to furnish herewith with a view to their proclamation for sale at Melbourne, in one month, or as His Excellency the Lt. Governor may think proper; the descriptions of the undermentioned Town, Suburban, and Country Lands in the Colony of Victoria. R.H.
viz -
(Return attached).

5/54. 171
22 July/51.

Forwarding descriptions of land with a view to their being proclaimed for sale at Portland.

Sir,
In accordance with the provisions of the Waste Land Act, I have the honor to furnish herewith with a view to their proclamation for sale at Portland, in one month, or as His Excellency the Lt. Governor may think proper, the descriptions of the undermentioned Town, Suburban and Country Lands in the Colony of Victoria. R.H.
viz -
(Return attached).

5/55. 181
22 July/51.

With reference to the ensuing Land Sale.

Sir,
In reply to your letter of yesterday date 10/5/51, I have the honor to state that the whole of the descriptions of the Town, Suburban, and

Country Lands for the next sale will be forwarded to your office in the course of the day. A.H.

5/568. (11)
26 July 1851
With reference to Mr John Goodman's complaint of farms being marked off on his run near Benalla.

Sir,
With reference to Mr John Goodman's letter of the 14th inst. complaining of the Assistant Surveyor being about to mark off farms on his run near Benalla, contrary to the Order in Council, and calling attention to Lord Grey's despatch of 29th Novr 1846, I have the honor to state that the Reserve at Benalla recommended by Mr Crown Commissioner Smythe is strictly in accordance with the latter part of the 9th section of Chapter II of His Majesty's Order in Council viz. for facilitating the improvement and settlement of the Colony and the extent of the above Reserve which Mr Wedge has been instructed to mark, is 20 square miles. A.H.

See Col the letter
Nov 1850

5/569. (10)
26 July 1851
With reference to Mr John McCrae's application to purchase land at Castle Donnington on which his improvements are erected.

Sir,
With reference to Mr John McCrae's application to purchase allotments 6, 7, 8 and 9 of Section 4, at Castle Donnington, on which his house and outbuildings are erected, I have the honor to state, that I consider the applicant is entitled to claim the land in accordance with Her Majesty's Order in Council dated 19 June 1850, and would beg leave to recommend, that, as soon as the Regulations under the above Order are published as applicable to this Colony, a Board be appointed to enquire and report on all claims of a similar nature. A.H.

5/576. (11)
26 July 1851
Forwarding copies of correspondence relative to the marking of roads near the Lower Hill Marsh Port Phillip.

Sir,
In accordance with the request contained in your letter of the 24th inst. No 574, I have the honor to furnish copies of certain correspondence relative to the marking of roads near the Lower Hill Marsh by Mr Asst Surveyor Watson. A.H.

5/580. (12)
29 July 1851
With reference to forage and provisions of Mr Asst Surveyor Urquhart and an order for procuring the same from Burn Bank.

Sir, (Urgent)
As Mr D Campbell at the Bullock Creek is unable to supply Mr Urquhart with provisions and forage as at first authorized, I beg you will have the goodness to obtain the sanction of His Excellency the Lt Governor to the supplies being obtained by Mr Urquhart from Mr Williamsons store at Burn Bank, being the nearest to Carriacook where he is at present surveying. A.H.

5/584. (13)
31 July 1851
With reference to land held by Mr Fitchett at Sale under occupation licence.

Sir,
With reference to Mr Fitchett's letter of the 20th inst. respecting the land held by him at Sale under an occupation licence, I have the honor to state:

1. That the allotments on which the Public House and outbuildings are erected have been taken out of the return in order to allow Mr Fitchett to put in his claim to purchase without competition
2. The allotments comprised in the cultivation paddocks will be put up to sale with liberty to take off the crop
3. The pound and stock-keepers hut are not on any allotments and will therefore not be

interfered with

R.H.

5/38 1144
31 July 1857.

Recommending that Mr. Hurst be appointed to assist the Commissioner in the survey of the boundaries of runs beyond the settled District

Application enclosed

Sir, I beg to enclose an application from Mr. R. Hurst for employment in this Department, and to state that I have seen the testimonials from the Surveyor General and Deputy Surveyor General of Van Diemen's Land in this gentleman's favor, which are very satisfactory also a very neat plan of Mr. Hurst. So I consider Mr. Hurst is qualified to assist the Crown Land Commissioners in the ^{the boundary of} Survey of runs. I beg to recommend his being so employed, whenever such assistance may be required

R.H.

5/15.

1. August 1857.

Enclosing Copy of Asst. Surveyor Sheneb report on Barrabool Road

Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 11th ult. No. 5/454, relative to certain objections lodged with the Clerk of the Executive Council at Sydney, to the confirmation of the road through the Barrabool Hills and proposing certain alterations. I have the honor to forward a copy of Mr. Asst. Surveyor Sheneb's report, together with a tracing of the proclaimed road and the alterations proposed and to state that according to Mr. Sheneb's report, I do not see that any advantage is to be gained by the alteration to the blue line as shown on tracing; the great objection being the crossing of the gullies at the head of the Waurn Ponds. I see no reason therefore to recommend any alteration being made in the line of road as proclaimed

R.H.

copy report enclosed
tracing enclosed

5/16

1 August 1857.

Recommending Draftsmen Scott and Purchase, to be Assistant Surveyors.

Sir,

I beg leave to recommend for His Excellency The Lt. Governor's favorable consideration, the expediency of promoting Messrs Scott and Purchase, Draftsmen in this Department, to the rank of Assistant Surveyors

2. The former gentleman, with Govt. equipment and usual salary of a Draftsman, has been for a considerable time, employed in the field to my entire satisfaction.

3. The latter is a neat Draftsman, has been accustomed to Road making, levelling, and making survey for engineering purposes

R.H.

5/17.

1 August 1857.

Forwarding Monthly report of Department for July 1857.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for His Excellency The Lt. Governor's information, the Monthly Report of this Department for July 1857.

R.H.

Report enclosed

5/18.

4 August 1857.

Forwarding plan of a Township at ^{Penhurst} Mt Rouse for approval of His Excellency & the Executive Council

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a plan of a Township situated at Mt Rouse in the Parishes of Barraboolam and Yalumbro in the County of Villiers and request you will have the goodness to submit the same to His Excellency The Lt. Governor and the Executive Council for approval

R.H.

Plan enclosed

5/19

4 August 1857.

Forwarding plan of ^{Woodend} ~~the~~ township at the Five mile Creek near Mount Macedon for the approval of His Excellency and the Executive Council

Sir,

I have

Plan enclosed Sir, I have the honor to forward the plan of a township at Five Mile Creek near Mt. Macedon, on the North Western Road, County of Dalhousie, and request you will submit the same to His Excellency the Lt Governor and the Executive Council for approval. R.H.

5/20.
4 August 1851. Punbury Forwarding plan of a township at Jackson's Ford for approval of His Excellency and the Executive Council. Sir,

Plan enclosed I have the honor to forward a plan of a township at Jackson's Ford Mt. Macedon Road and request you will have the goodness to submit the same to His Excellency the Lt Governor and the Executive Council for approval. R.H.

5/21.
4 August 1851. Welshpool Forwarding plan of a township at the New Port, Corner Sulet, for the approval of His Excellency and the Executive Council. Sir,

Plan enclosed I have the honor to forward a plan of a township at the New Port, Corner Sulet, and request you will submit the same to His Excellency the Lieut. Governor and Executive Council for approval. R.H.

5/22.
4 August 1851. Corinella Forwarding plan of township at Settlement Point Western Port Bay for the approval of His Excellency and the Executive Council. Sir,

Plan enclosed I have the honor to forward a design for a township at Settlement Point Western Port Bay, and request you will have the goodness to submit the same to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and Executive Council for approval. R.H.

5/23.
4 August 1851. Castle Donnington Forwarding plan of a township at Swan Hill River Murray for approval of His Excellency and the Executive Council.

Plan enclosed Sir, I have the honor to forward a plan of a township at Swan Hill River Murray, and request you will have the goodness to submit the same to His Excellency and the Executive Council for approval. R.H.

5/24.
4 Aug. 1851. Carlswater Forwarding plan of a township near Mt. Macedon on the North Western Road, County of Dalhousie for approval of His Excellency and the Executive Council. Sir,

Plan enclosed I have the honor to forward a plan of a township near Mt. Macedon on the North Western Road County of Dalhousie, and request you will have the goodness to submit the same for the approval of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and Executive Council. R.H.

5/25.
4 August 1851. Elsecroft Forwarding plan of a ~~township~~ village in the Parish of Pahrav North of Henry Dendip's Special Survey for the approval of His Excellency and the Executive Council. Sir,

Plan enclosed I have the honor to forward a plan of a village in the Parish of Pahrav North of Henry Dendip's Special Survey and request you will have the goodness to submit the same to His Excellency the Lt Governor and Executive Council for approval. R.H.

5/26.
4 August 1851. Suggesting that the alteration in the names of certain streets in the City of Melbourne may be published in the Govt Gazette. Sir,

The names of the undermentioned streets in the City of Melbourne having been altered by His Excellency the Lt Governor, I beg leave to suggest that intimation of the same may be published in the Government Gazette.

Wald Street { between sections 37 and 38 and extending } now
 from Elizabeth St. to Swanston Street
 Reibuck Street { north of section 38. extending from } now
 Elizabeth Street to Swanston Street - 3 Franklin St. east.
 d. { south of sections 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100 } now
 and King Street - 3 Franklin St. east. R.H.

5/24
 4 August Forwarding copy of the approved plan of the
 Township of Curra for transmission to the
 nearest Bench
 Sir,

Plan
 enclosed.

I have the honor to forward a copy of the
 approved plan of the township of Curra at the
 Seven Creeks Murray District for the purpose
 of being transmitted to the nearest Bench
 viz Benalla for public information R.H.

5/28
 4 August Forwarding copy of the approved plan of the
 Township of Belfast (East) for transmission to the
 nearest Bench.
 Sir,

Plan
 enclosed.

I have the honor to forward the copy of the
 approved plan of the township of Belfast (East) for the purpose
 of being deposited at the Police Office (Belfast) for
 public information R.H.

5/29
 4 August 1857 Forwarding approved plan of the Township of
Portarlington for transmission to the nearest Bench
 Sir,

Plan
 enclosed.

I have the honor to forward a copy of the
 approved plan of the township of Portarlington at
 Indented Head for transmission to the Police
 Office Geelong for public exhibition R.H.

5/30
 4 August 1857 Forwarding copy of the approved plan of the township
 of Brimmingham for transmission to the nearest Bench
 Sir,

Plan
 enclosed.

I have the honor to forward a copy of the
 approved plan of the township of Brimmingham for
 transmission to the nearest Bench (Chepstone) for
 public exhibition R.H.

5/31
 4 August 1857 Forwarding copy of approved plan of the Township
 of Longwood for transmission to nearest Bench
 Sir,

Plan
 enclosed.

I have the honor to forward a copy of the
 approved plan of the Township of Longwood
 at the Winding Creek, for the purpose of being
 transmitted to Seymour, being the nearest Bench,
 for public exhibition R.H.

5/32
 4 August 1857 Forwarding copy of approved plan of the Township
 of Ararat at Hughes Creek for transmission to
 nearest Bench.
 Sir,

Plan
 enclosed.

I have the honor to forward a copy of
 the approved plan of the Township of Ararat at
 Hughes Creek for transmission to the nearest
 Bench (which I believe is Seymour) for public
 exhibition R.H.

5/34
 5 August 1857 Forwarding plan of part of Melbourne showing
 the intersection of Victoria Street with Lake
 and Spring Streets
 Sir,

Plan
 enclosed.

I have the honor to forward a plan of
 part of Melbourne showing the intersection of
 Victoria Street with La Probe and Spring Streets
 and the portion viz three perches which would be
 cut off from the North East corner of allotment 1611
 of section 25. R.H.

5/35
 5 August 1857 Forwarding copy of the approved plan of the township
 of Winchelsea for transmission to the nearest Bench
 Sir,

Plan
 enclosed.

I have the honor to forward a copy of the
 approved plan of the township of Winchelsea for
 transmission to the nearest Bench viz Geelong
 for public exhibition R.H.

5/36
5 August 1851 Forwarding copy of approved plan of the township of Giborne for transmission to the nearest Bench.

Plan enclosed.

Sir,
I have the honor to forward a copy of the approved plan of the township of Giborne for transmission to the nearest Bench, Sturton, for public exhibition.

5/37
6 August 1851

Regarding land applied for by Certain residents at Kilmore.

Sir,
With reference to an application addressed to His Excellency the Lt Governor from certain inhabitants of Kilmore, requesting that 6 sections of land situated to the South East of Kilmore may be surveyed and put up to public competition, I have the honor to state, that the land applied for is situated in the Intermediate District, and I consider it very desirable that an Agricultural Reserve should be formed at Kilmore, if it does not interfere with the orders in Council.

5/38
7 August 1851

Relative to Reserve recommended at the station of Mr Wm Furlong in the Murray District.

Sir,
With reference to Mr Furlong's letter of the 18th ult addressed to His Excy relative to Reserves contemplated to be made on his run, I have the honor to state -

1. That in accordance with instructions received by Mr C Com. Smythe that officers recommended in Dec^r 1847, Reserves of not less than 10 square miles each, at certain places along the Sydney line of road and throughout the Murray District.
2. Among those places named by Mr Smythe were, Seven Creeks (Kirklands), Faithfulls Creek (at the Inn), and Seven Creeks (Raines Hollands).

3. A township has been laid out at Kirklands called Curra, and an Agricultural Reserve was ordered to be marked of 25 square miles being on the main line of road, but this has since reduced to 9 square miles in consequence of another Reserve of 9 square miles being recommended at Raines Hollands where there is a considerable quantity of good land. A V.R. had been decided upon by Sir Thos Mitchell at this latter place in 1841, but since then the Sydney Road has been altered so as to pass the creek lower down at Kirklands.

4. I have not received any report from Mr Smythe as to the extent of land to be reserved at Faithfulls Creek but a square mile with perhaps suffice, if the land is unavailable. A copy of the correspondence with Mr Furlong, who I believe has only recently purchased these stations, on the subject of these Reserves I enclose for your information.

5/39
13 August 1851

Enquiring as to the mode of paying the Surveyor employed under Mr C C Gray.

Sir,
With reference to my letter of 10 July 1851, relative to the survey of runs in the Portland Bay District, and His Excellency's minute thereon of the 20th ult approving of Mr Gray being provided with a Surveyor and to go to work with that assistance until it is seen whether further aid is required and can be given; I have the honor to request you will inform me if the surveyor to be appointed to this duty is to have a fixed salary or what allowance is to be given?

5/40
13 August 1851

Recommending the appointment of Mr Thos Musgrave as Draftsman in the Survey Department.

Sir,
With reference to Mr Musgrave's letter

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to His Excellency of the 8th inst I have the honor to state that I am very desirous of employing the above gentleman in the Department and beg leave to recommend for the favorable consideration of His Excellency that Mr Musgrave be at once appointed as Draftsman at a salary of one hundred and fifty pounds per annum and sent to Timbrou to assist Mr Scott in marking lands in that locality and as soon as Mr Scott has furnished himself with an equipment he will hand over that belonging to the Government to Mr Musgrave, who will then return to Melbourne for the purpose of surveying the ranges forming the boundaries of Geelong and Mornington R.H.

50/4 a.
10 August 1851.

Respecting Mr Robt Mason's claim to salary and allowance as an Asst Surveyor from 1 June to 31 July 1851.
Sir,

I beg to state that Mr Robt Mason late Assistant Surveyor in this Department has applied to me for salary and allowance from 1 June to 31 July last amounting to £50. - the vouchers for which I object to sign, Mr Mason having left his station and party on the 9 June last contrary to my instructions and also being very dissatisfied with his progress for many months previously.

Progress Journals enclosed.

I enclose the progress Journals from January to 31 July 1851. and request the favor of His Excellency's opinion whether Mr Mason is entitled to salary and allowance for any portion of the period now applied for. R.H.

50/4 b.
15 August 1851.

Returning the approved plans of the townships of Canniella, Osterwick, Walepool, Saubury, and Woodend.
Sir,

I beg to return the approved plans of the

Canniella
Osterwick
Walepool
Saubury
Woodend

50/12.
18 August 1851.

Copy enclosed.

several townships as stated in the margin (the names of which and of the various sheets have been duly inserted) and request you will inform me if copies of these plans are to be prepared and forwarded to you for transmission to the nearest Bench for public information previous to the usual notices appearing in the Govt. Gazette &c.

Respecting the Richmond Road.
Sir,

With reference to your letter of 4 Inst No 50/3 B, I have the honor to inform you, that previous to the removal of the ^{of the road} ~~by~~ Mr Cooper on the Richmond road I deemed it my duty to examine the line of road thoroughly and found that Mr Wm Highett and several others had made similar encroachments.

2. I then instructed Mr Asst Surveyor Purchas to have the line trenched where it affected Mr Highett, and on the work being commenced, Mr H not only threatened Mr Purchas with an assault, but had two men employed filling up the trench, as fast as it was opened.

3. I therefore beg that the Crown Prosecutor may receive the necessary directions to assist me in carrying out His Excellency's instructions. Enclosed are copies of two letters received by me from Mr Purchas, relative to the objection by Mr Highett. R.H.

Office of two letters enclosed.

50/4 b.
18 August 1851.

Schedule enclosed.

Forwarding schedule of land in the Portland Bay District recommended for sale.
Sir,

I have the honor to forward Schedule of Town Suburban and Country Land in the Portland Bay District which have been duly applied for and as no objection exists to their sale by the Government, I beg to recommend

that the lots enumerated may be brought
forward for sale in October ~~next~~ CH

57/44
20 August 1851

With reference to Mr James Taylor's complaint of
Mr Uriah Hoddinott trespassing on his sons
in Gipps Land District

17. Los: Tarnet
transf. to Woodhouse
10 sections 90 mile
beach.

With reference to Mr James Taylors letter of the 29 ult to Mr Crown Commissioner Syers complaining of Mr Hoddinotts trespassing on his run I have the honor to state that the application made by Mr Ulrich Hoddinott for the land in the Settled District was reported upon by Mr Syers as being unobjectionable and the notice of lease was published in the Govt Gazette of 28 March 1850. No every application is submitted to the Crown Commissioner for his report previous to any lease being granted I would beg to suggest that Mr Syers should examine the boundaries between Messrs Taylors Hoddinott and Buckley on the ground and I shall instruct Mr Dawson to render any assistance that may be required to further the settlement of the disputes now existent

51/45
20 August

Forwarding copy of plan of the late Wesleyan Mission Station on the Parowan River with descriptions of the Pastoral Run.

Plan and Description

Sir,
I have the honor to forward a copy of the plan of the late Mission Station at the Barrow River shewing the Pastoral Runs as requested to be marked by His Excellency the Lt Governor also the descriptions of the said runs for the purpose of publication in the Govt Gazette as often to
Yours
R. H.

57/46
20 August 1851

Surveying plan of site for Botanic Gardens
of Town Park, Geelong.

Plans and
Description enclosed

Sir,
I have the honor to forward a copy of the
Plan of the lands marked at Geelong by Mr
Assistant Surveyor Sherris as site for Town
Park and Botanic Gardens containing an area
of 192 acres and 28 perches also a description of
the same.

51/44/
21 August 1851

Forwarding lists and descriptions of Town
Suburban and Country Lands for Proclamations

Sir,
I have the honor to forward the lists
and descriptions of the Town Suburban and
Country Lands for the purpose of being proclaimed
for sale on the 14th 15th 16th and 17th Oct^r next R^g

57/48.
21 August 1857.

With reference to Mr Wm Higlett's complaint
and forwarding plan of the Ashwood Road
showing the encroachment.

Sir,
With reference to the complaint made by
Mr Wm. Hight in his letter of the 18 inst to
His Excellency the Gov. of the conduct of
myself and my Assistant in trenching land
which he claims as a portion of Suburban Park
Parish of Aka Aka at Richmond, I have the
honor to state;

1. Considers it no trespass to remove obstacles on a public road.
2. Mr Higlett had no right to obstruct my assistant and threaten to break the peace, which was only prevented by the presence of the constables nor had he any right to fill up a trench made by a surveyor at the edge of a Government road to prevent any further mistakes by Mr Higlett who admits that the corner tree was cut down opposite the Post paddock which if proved would render Mr Higlett liable to a penalty of £50 for so doing -

3. There was however sufficient data to enable me to fix the precise spot by measuring from the N.E. corner of the Town Boundary, southerly and prolonging the North side of the road from a known point. I found that by their intersection Mr Highett had fenced in the exact number of links that were deficient in the width of the road.

4. It was Mr Foot who first informed me that Mr Highett had more land than he was entitled to and I measured the line with Mr Foot and afterwards with Mr Purchas.

5. With regard to the marked trees in the Government Paddock I admit the trees are within the fence but that is no reason. Mr Highett should be allowed permitted to occupy the road, the references to the corner trees being my guide not a marked line.

6. The Richmond Road as formerly marked by me was staked out at the corners 66ft wide and claims on behalf of the public the above width and shall act the matter as directed by the Col's letter of 4 August 1854. in a similar encroachment on the opposite side by Messrs Thorpe Burdley and others. A plan of the road showing the encroachments I herewith forward for the purpose of being laid before His Excellency.

Plans enclosed.

21 August 1857.

Application enclosed.

27 August 1857.

Forwarding Mr Foot Russell's application to be appointed Assistant Surveyor under C Wright.

In forwarding this application for His Excellency's consideration, I have nothing further to remark, than if Mr Wright will be responsible for the exertion of Mr Russell I have no objection to his being employed under Mr C Wright's surveillance.

With reference to Mr James Austin's application to purchase portion of his run known as Pallock's

Plans
Sir,

With reference to Mr James Austin's application to purchase a portion of his run known as Pallock's Plains near the township of Colac, I have the honor to state, that the lands mentioned in the application which are of a superior quality were measured for sale by Mr Shure about 25 years ago.

2. I consider it would be desirable to await the decision of the Executive Government respecting the claims of Messrs Booth tetrgyle and Mr Campbell to purchase by prescriptive right any of the lands measured for sale at Launceston in the Intermediate District before applications of this nature are reported on.

3. In the event of Government deciding in favor of the claims of the above parties I trust the Crown Commissioners will be particular in fixing the full value on the lands so claimed as great dissatisfaction would be expressed by the public at the decided advantage a licensee would possess of selecting all the best land comprised within his run and probably reselling the same at an enormous profit.

27 August 1857.

*Plans enclosed.
Report enclosed.*

Forwarding plan of proposed Reserve at Canisbrook of 25 square miles with design for Village.

I beg to forward a plan of the proposed Reserve at Canisbrook of 25 square miles also the design for the Village accompanied by Mr. Ughurst's report and shall feel obliged if you will lay the same before His Excellency for approval.

You will have the goodness to return them to day if possible in order that I may be enabled to forward instructions to Mr Ughurst by the return of the mail to Canisbrook.

8/52.
29 August 1857.

With reference to Mr. Robt. Mason's letter relative to his salary and allowance being withheld.

Sir,

With reference to Mr. Mason's letter to His Excellency dated 20th inst relative to his salary and allowance as Asst. Surveyor being withheld, I have the honor to report in the statements made by that gentleman as follows:

1. Mr. Mason is under a mistake in stating that he had received an appointment from Sir Thomas Mitchell when in Sydney, his name was only noted.

2. I considered it my duty when His Ex^{cy} approved of the appointment of Mr. Mason as a Supernumerary Assistant Surveyor in this District in August 1849, to report the same to Sir Thos Mitchell.

3. I did not find fault with Mr. Mason's exertions in the field while at Indented Head but in his manner of marking the land which was not detected until too late, and in forwarding the plan to Sydney I was obliged to notice it.

4. Mr. Mason need not express surprise at removing him from Geelong as it was His Ex^{cy}'s wish that the general survey of the land at Western Port should be proceeded with and Mr. Mason was accordingly instructed to survey the Bass River to its source and the general features of the country towards Cape Patterson, which he failed to complete assigning as a reason that the measurement of the lands applied for by the 'Coal Committee' was of a more pressing nature.

5. The frequent visits of Mr. Mason to Melbourne for men and consequent loss of time no doubt retarded the survey, but nevertheless if His Excellency considers that the Progress Journals of June and July shew that every exertion was made by Mr. Mason in performing his duties I have no objection to sign the vouchers.

copy letter enclosed.

copy letter enclosed.

8/53.
September

Forwarding report of Survey Department for the month of August 1857.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the information of His Excellency The Lt. Governor the monthly report of this Department for Aug^t 1857.

Report enclosed.

8/54.
1 September

Forwarding copy of Mr. Walter Macfarlane's letter tendering his resignation as Clerk of 3rd class.

Sir,

I beg to enclose for His Excellency's consideration the copy of a letter received this morning from Mr. Walter Macfarlane tendering his resignation as Clerk of the 3rd class in this Department; I regret that Mr. Macfarlane, after a service of nearly 3 years in this office, during which period I found him efficient and attentive to his duties, should have taken such a step.

copy letter enclosed.

R. H. D. L.

8/55
3 September

With reference to Messrs. Thintoff and Batey and Page's application to be allowed preemptive right to land.

Sir,

With reference to the application of Messrs. Thintoff, Batey and C. & J. Page to be allowed to exercise the preemptive right to lease Crown Lands under the 16th clause of the Regulations of 29 March 1848. I have the honor to report:

1. That under the Order in Council dated 19 June 1850, published in Victoria Government Gazette of the 11 July last Messrs. Thintoff and Batey applied to purchase 1280 acres and Messrs. Page 640 acres of their respective runs.

2. In consequence of Mr. W. J. Clarke exercising his preemptive claim on the 1st July last the above applicants were deprived of their entire runs with the exception of the Homestead sections which they now hold under lease.

3. From the peculiar hardships which the applicants, and also several others affected by Mr Clarke's claim, have undergone, in being deprived so unexpectedly of their ground, I should recommend that the subject be brought under the consideration of His Excellency and the Legislative Council, as the purchase of the land will be of little service to the applicants, unless they could claim pre-emption right from the 1st January next.

(Signed) R.H.

5/56.
4th September 1851

Forwarding copy of Messrs Graham & Cotham's application to be allowed to purchase certain lands portion of their Run in the Parish of Wangoom

Sir

Dated 21st Aug 1851

I beg to forward the copy of an application, received from Messrs Graham & Cotham, to be allowed to select portions 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Section D in the Parish of Wangoom, being portion of their Run within the Settled District, and have the honor to state.

1. That the several portions as above mentioned, were applied for to purchase in the usual manner, and approved of, with the exception of Portion 5, comprising their valuable improvements, which was excluded from sale, by order of His Excellency.

2. As the runs of the above parties were situated in the Unsettled Districts, until 20 December 1850, when they were included in the Intermediate, and in March following brought within the Settled District, I consider some indulgence should be granted in their case, which is nearly similar to Messrs Mansfield, Manning and Good, who were allowed to purchase the land on which their Homesteads stood, and therefore recommend, that portions 4, 6, 7 and 8 may be excluded from sale, in order that the claim of Mr

Messrs Graham and Cotham to purchase the lots at their assessed value, may be enquired into.

(Signed) R.H.

5/57.
5th September 1851

Plan herewith

Forwarding copy of the approved Plan of the Township at Swan Hill called 'Castle Donnington'

Sir

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of the 22nd Ultimo, N. 5/56 B, I have the honor to forward a copy of the approved Plan of the Township at Swan Hill, called 'Castle Donnington', and beg to observe, that, as the nearest Bench, which is Carisbrooke, is distant about 100 miles, I should recommend that it be exhibited for public inspection, at Mr Mc Crae's Inn, at the above Township.

(Signed) R.H.

5/58.
5th September 1851

Plan herewith

Forwarding copy of the approved plan of the Township of 'Limbury'

Sir

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of the 22nd Ultimo N. 5/56 B. I have the honor to forward a copy of the approved plan of the Township of Limbury, for transmission to the District Police Office, Melbourne, for public inspection.

(Signed) R.H.

5/59.
5th September 1851

Plan herewith

Forwarding copy of the approved Plan of the Township of 'Penhurst' at Mt. Rouse.

Sir

In accordance with the request contained in your letter, dated 22nd Ultimo, N. 5/54 B. I have the honor to forward a copy of the approved plan of the Township of 'Penhurst', at Mount Rouse, for the purpose of being transmitted to the Police Bench at Hamilton, Grange Burn for public inspection.

(Signed) R.H.

5/60.
5th September 1851 Forwarding copy of the approved Plan of the Township of 'Welshpool' at the New Port, Gipps Land.

Sir

Plan herewith

In accordance with the request contained in your letter, dated 23rd Ultimo, N^o 54/25 B. I have the honor to forward the copy of the approved Plan of 'Welshpool', at the New Port, Gipps Land, for transmission to the Police Bench at Melbourne, for public inspection.

(Signed) R.H.

5/61.
5th September 1851 Forwarding copy of the approved Plan of the Township of 'Corinella' at Settlement Point, Western Port Bay.

Sir

Plan herewith

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of the 23rd Ultimo, N^o 54/26 B. I have the honor to forward a copy of the approved Plan of the Township of 'Corinella', at Settlement Point, Western Port Bay, and would beg to recommend its being transmitted to Mr James Luthberts, at Settlement Point, for public information.

(Signed) R.H.

5/62.
5th September 1851 Forwarding copy of the approved Plan of the Village of 'Carlsruhe' in the County of Dalhousie.

Sir

Plan herewith

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of the 22nd Ultimo, N^o 54/27 B. I have the honor to transmit copy of the approved plan of the Village of 'Carlsruhe', in the County of Dalhousie, for the purpose of being forwarded to the nearest Bench, viz Kyneton, for public inspection.

(Signed) R.H.

5/63.
5th September 1851 Forwarding copy of the approved Plan of the Village of 'Woodend' at the Five mile creek near Mount Macedon.

Sir

Plan herewith

In accordance with the instructions contained in your letter of the 23rd Ultimo, N^o 54/28 B. I have the honor to forward a copy of the approved Plan of the Village of 'Woodend', at the Five mile creek, near Mount Macedon, for the purpose of being transmitted to the Police Bench at Kyneton, for public inspection.

(Signed) R.H.

5/64.
5th September 1851 Forwarding copy of the approved Plan of the Village of 'Esterwick' in the Parish of 'Prabran'.

Sir

Plan herewith

In accordance with the instructions contained in your letter dated 22nd Ultimo, N^o 54/29 B. I have the honor to forward a copy of the approved Plan of the Village of 'Esterwick', in the Parish of 'Prabran', for the purpose of being transmitted to the District Police Bench at Melbourne, for public inspection.

(Signed) R.H.

5/65.
5th September 1851 Forwarding copy of letter from Mr Draftsman O'Brien accepting proposed terms of contract.

Sir

I have the honor to forward the copy of a letter received from Mr Draftsman O'Brien accepting of the terms I proposed in the survey by contract of the Ranges forming part of the boundaries of the Counties of Evelyn and Mornington viz a remuneration of 50/- per linear mile and request you will obtain the approval of His Excellency in order that full instructions regarding the survey may be drawn out for Mr O'Brien's guidance.

(Signed) R.H.

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5/66. Requesting authority to hire Laborers to be
11 September 1851 employed under Mr Assistant Surveyor Purchas.

Sir
As difficulty is experienced in procuring
suitable men from the Immigration Barracks and
also in the payment of the men at the end of a
each month, I beg you will obtain the sanction
of His Excellency to my hiring a party of Four
men at the current rate of wages with rations
for the purpose of being employed under Mr
Assistant Surveyor Purchas in the neighbourhood
of Melbourne.

(Signed) R.M.

5/67. Respecting an allowance to Mr Assistant
15 September 1851 Surveyor Purchas, in lieu of equipment.

Sir
With reference to my letter of the 11th
Instant N. 5/66. relative to the hiring of Four
men at the current rate of wages with rations for
the purpose of being employed under Mr Assistant
Surveyor Purchas. I have the honor to request
you will obtain the sanction of His Excellency to
Mr Purchas receiving an allowance at the rate of
£100 per annum in lieu of equipment to commence
from the date of my approving it.

(Signed) R.M.

15th Sep^r 1851. Forwarding Return of land excluded from
5/68. ensuing sale and of land to be withdrawn from sale.

Sir
In accordance with the request con-
tained in your letter of this date N. 5/69 B. I
have the honor to forward the following returns
for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

1. of lands applied for to purchase and recommended
for sale in September and October 1851 but which
have been excluded from the Proclamation on account

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of Homesteads and Improvements being situated thereon.

2. Of Land advertised for the approaching land
sales (16th 17th 18th and 19th September 1851) on which Homesteads
and Improvements are situated and which it will be
desirable to withdraw from public competition.

(Signed) R.M.

5/69. Forwarding descriptions of the portions of
15 September 1851 the Melbourne General Cemetery appropriated to the
Various Denominations &c.

Sir
In accordance with the request con-
tained in your letter of 11th Instant N. 5/66 B.
I have the honor to furnish for insertion in the
Deeds of Grant the following descriptions of the General
Cemetery set apart for the following denominations

Descriptions
enclosed

- viz Church of England
- Church of Rome
- Presbyterians
- Wesleyans
- Society of Friends
- Baptists
- Independents
- Jews and

Other Denominations,
also description of the Melbourne General Cemetery
as appropriated and the Reserve for extension.

(Signed) R.M.

5/70. Respecting the selection of country lots in
16 September 1851 Bellarine, by Mr John Aitken, under Regulations of
21st January 1851.

Sir
With reference to the selections made
by Mr John Aitken of country lots 207 and 208
advertised for sale on the 19th Instant, I have the
honor to report that all parties holding Land orders
or receipts under the Regulations of 21st January 1851
have been allowed to select under the Colonial Security

Letter of 7 November 1831 N. 54 any land either open for selection or which may be advertised for sale.

2. The following parties have at various times taken advantage of the above indulgence viz J. C. Curdrens, William Rutledge, James Atkinson and John Aitken.

3. I therefore see no objection to Mr John Aitken selecting the following lots viz Lot 207, or Portion 10 of Block 2, 160 acres and Lot 208 Bellairne Portion 11 of Block 2, 160 acres.

(Signed) R. M.

5/11
11 September 1831

Respecting the withdrawal from sale of land, on which it is proposed to form Reservoir for supplying the City with water.

Sir

As I understand the sale of Lot N. 9 being portion N. 78 containing 12 a Or 10 p. in the Parish of Bocondara may interfere with the proposed erection of a Reservoir to supply the City with water, I beg to recommend that the above Lot may be withdrawn from sale of H. H. H.

Enclosed I place showing the situation of the land in question

(Signed) R. M.

5/12
20 Sep 1831

Forwarding copy of letter from Mr Draftsman Schaw relative to his obtaining supplies from Messrs Tucker & Boudge's Store, Kyneton.

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the copy of a letter received from Mr Draftsman Schaw at present employed near Kyneton, and request you will have the goodness to obtain the sanction of His Excellency to the supplies of provision and Forage being procured at Messrs Tucker & Boudge's Store at Kyneton, the price charged being in my opinion very reasonable

(Signed) R. M.

5/12

22 Sep 1831

Forwarding descriptions of the Township of Larrarville and Shipping Point Port Albert, and former correspondence.

Sir

With respect to the correspondence herewith returned respecting the provisions of the 3rd clause of Act of Council 18th & 19th being extended to Larrarville and also to the Shipping Point Port Albert, more particularly to the letter dated 6th February 1831 from the following Magistrates viz Messrs Macalister, Reese, Mr Farlow, Thomson and Myers, strongly recommending such a measure. I have the honor to state that as the limits of the above two places have not yet been defined nor proclaimed, I have caused descriptions of the same to be drawn out which I have the honor to enclose for your information, in the event of His Excellency being pleased to extend the above clause of the Act, so far as regards the sale of Mines and Beer only to the Township of Larrarville and the Shipping Point, Port Albert.

(Signed) R. M.

5/14
24 Sep 1831

Forwarding an application from Mr Sladen on behalf of W. Harding a licensed occupier at Indented Head requesting certain lots may be withdrawn from October Sale

Sir

I beg to forward an application from Mr Sladen on behalf of William Harding a settler at Indented Head requesting that certain lots, in the Parishes of Papuit and Bellerine now occupied by him may be withdrawn from the sale to take place at Gelong in October next as they contain a well and some artificial water holes and improvements.

2. As no Improvements of any value were made at the time the land was measured by Mr Mason I would beg to suggest that the

From Commission to be called upon to report as to the nature and value of the Improvements and have enclosed a plan of the lots in question for his guidance.

(Signed) R.H.

5/7/5.
21st Sept 1831

Enclosing a Letter from Mr George O'Brien Extra Draftsman.

Sir

I have the honor to enclose for to His Excellency's perusal a letter I received this morning from Mr O'Brien, employed in this Office as an Extra Draftsman from 1st February last.

The only promise made by me was to speak to your Excellency on the subject of his salary, but as he accepted a Contract survey on the 1st Instant I had not deemed it necessary to proceed further in the matter.

(Signed) R.H.

5/7/6.
21st Sept 1831

Forwarding plan of the General Cemetery at Stony Point, Western Port with descriptions for approval.

Sir

I have the honor to forward a plan of the General Cemetery marked at Stony Point, Western Port with description of the portion appropriated also descriptions of the sites allotted to the various Religious denominations and of the Reserve for extension.

The above plan I beg you will have the goodness to lay before His Excellency and the Executive Council for approval.

(Signed) R.H.

5/7/6.
29th Sept 1831

Respecting the reengagement of Mr Draftsman Schaw's party at the current rate of wages with Penstone.

Sir

I beg to enclose the copy of a letter received from Mr Draftsman Schaw at present surveying at the Coliban River and beg you will have the goodness to obtain the sanction of His Excellency to the reengagement of the surveying party attached to the above Officer at the current rate of wages viz £30 per annum to a Bullock Driver and £20 per annum to each laborer.

(Signed) R.H.

5/7/7.
29th Sept 1831

Respecting the payment of Immigrants for removal of Furniture, Stores &c from the old Offices to the New Offices.

Sir

In removing the Office Furniture, Stores &c from Mr Willoughby's House to the New Offices, William Street, I was under the necessity of procuring the assistance of the Immigrants named in the margin. I therefore beg you will have the goodness to obtain authority from His Excellency to payments at the rate of 4/6 per day to each of the above Immigrants while so employed.

(Signed) R.H.

5/7/8.
30th Sept 1831

With reference to Land Sale at Portland on the 7th October 1831.

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that it will be desirable to withdraw the following Lots from the sale at Portland of 7th October 1831. His Excellency having approved of the same; viz Lots 66, 67, 68 and 69 being portions 4, 6, 7 and 8 of Section 8 Parish of Wangoom, on which are situated the improvements of Messrs Graham & Cotham.

I have also to request that the Portions 70 and 9 Belfast, near Mr James & Atkinson's

Stephen Shea
Morley Hishorn
Patrick Hemmessey
Samuel Clumpat
Daniel Hishorn

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Special Survey be sold with a reservation to the public of the present road leading to the Grange.
(Signed) R.H.

5/79.
1st October 1831. Forwarding Report of Survey Department for the month of September 1831.

Sir
I have the honor to forward for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor the monthly report of this Department for September 1831.
(Signed) R.H.

5/80.
2nd Oct. 1831. Relative to the employment of an Extra Clerk with one enclosure.

Sir
In order that the clerical duties of this department may not fall in arrears, I beg you will have the goodness to obtain the sanction of His Excellency to the employment of the gentleman named in the margin as an Extra Clerk in this office at the rate of £ per diem.
(Signed) R.H.

5/81.
3rd Oct 1831. Recommending an increase of pay to the Survey Department with one enclosure.

Sir
I have the honor to transmit for His Excellency's favorable consideration the enclosed application from the Draftsman and Clerks in this Department for a further increase of pay and beg leave to suggest that it should extend to the whole of the Department to meet the exigencies of this critical period caused by the discovery of rich Gold fields in this Colony.
(Signed) R.H.

5/82.
4th Oct 1831.

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Forwarding copy of a letter from Mr Assistant Surveyor White reporting progress of survey of Mallee Scrub.
Sir

11th August 1831.
enclosed.

I have the honor to forward for the information of His Excellency the copy of a letter received yesterday from Mr Assistant Surveyor White reporting the progress of the survey of the Mallee scrub in country.

2. From the absence of grass and water Mr White considers it useless to mark a line the direction of the Darling road—he intends therefore to examine the country more to the Eastward and if he finds it suitable, to mark a line of road from the Wimmera into the Murray.
(Signed) R.H.

5/83.
6th Oct 1831.

Forwarding Agreement of persons employed in the Survey Department to remain in their present employment until 31st December 1831.
Sir

With reference to the circular dated 2nd Instant & B. 5/497 informing me that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor had deemed it expedient to direct a certain increase in the pay of all Clerks and those holding subordinate offices in the service of the Colonial Government for three months from the 1st Instant and requesting that all persons in my department who will receive the advantage of it should sign an agreement to remain in the service of the Government for that period. I have the honor to forward the document in question as far as regards those Attended in Melbourne and to state that in consequence of the officers in charge of surveying parties being so scattered through the Colony I shall not be able to furnish the agreements required from them probably before the end of this month.
(Signed) R.H.

5/84
8th October 1831 Enclosing an application from Draftsmen and Clerks of Survey Department for further increase to 75 per cent.

Sir I have the honor to enclose an application from the Draftsmen and Clerks in this Office with reference to the Circular No 5/1497 dated 2nd Instant, and suggesting that in consequence of the shortness of the term of 3 months and the certain rapid rise in the price of provisions that their salaries be further increased to 75 per cent if found necessary and request that it may be laid before His Excellency for his consideration Signed R.H.

5/85
9th Oct 1831 Respecting the withdrawal of lots 29 and 101 from Sale on 16th Oct 1831 on the application of Mr Campbell.

Sir With reference to Mr William Campbell's application to have the following lots withdrawn from the Sale to take place in Melbourne on the 16th Instant, as they comprise a portion of his licensed run called "Geo" viz 29 Lauriston Portion 16 - 59 acres and 101 Lauriston Portion 29 - 70 acres. I have the honor to state that the first being a suburban and the other a special country lot, I consider these lots are excluded from the exercise of the pre-emptive claim to purchase.

2. By the 6th Clause of the 11th Section of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 9th March 1831 the pre-emptive claim cannot be allowed on portions less than 160 acres.

3. It would be very desirable if this question could be decided at once as there is an increasing demand for land in the neighbourhood of Kyneton, and great disappointment I understand was expressed at the last sale by parties who attended from a distance to purchase those

withdrawn in Lauriston, the lots that were sold in that parish realising from £7 to £11.0.0 per acre. Signed R.H.

5/86.^a
9th Oct 1831 Enclosing letter from Mr G. D. Smythe relative to the Survey of the upper part of the Tams and Snony Rivers

Sir I herewith have to enclose a letter received from Mr G. D. Smythe with reference to the Survey of the upper part of the Tams and Snony Rivers (with my minute thereon of this date) which I beg you will have the goodness to lay before His Excellency. Signed R.H.

5/86 B.
10th Oct 1831 Forwarding copy of Mr Assistant Surveyor White's letter reporting progress of Mallee Scrub Survey.

Sir I have the honor to forward the copy of a letter I received this morning from Mr. Assistant Surveyor White reporting the progress of the Mallee Scrub Survey up to the 15th ultimo, and request you will have the goodness to lay the same before His Excellency for further instructions. Signed R.H.

5/87
10th Oct 1831 Forwarding Return of lands applied for to be withdrawn from the approaching sales at Melbourne also where time will be allowed to remove Improvements

Sir I have the honor to forward a Return of lands advertised for the approaching Land Sale at Melbourne which are applied for to be withdrawn also of lands on which Improvements are situated where time will be allowed to remove the same. Signed R.H.

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5/88
11th Oct 1831Forwarding Tracing of the General Map of Victoria.

Sir I have the honor to transmit a tracing from the General Map of Victoria computed in this Office for the purpose of being transmitted by desire of His Excellency to Arrowsmith in England. I regret that the extent of the proposed Reserves could not have been shown on the tracing, the Executive Government not having come to any decision on this subject.

I beg leave to recommend that the whole of the Intermediate District of the Colony comprised at present within the Counties be included in the Settled District and that Reserves in the Unsettled be made forthwith.

(Signed) R.H.

5/89
16th Oct 1831Transmitting Plan and Subdivision of the General Cemetery at Buninyong with descriptions for approval.

Sir I have the honor to forward a Plan and description of the land near Buninyong measured as a site for a General Cemetery, also of the portions appropriated to the various Communions with the several descriptions and request you will have the goodness to lay the same before His Excellency and the Executive Council for approval.

(Signed) R.H.

5/90
17th Oct 1831Forwarding Letter from Draftsmen and Clerks in the Survey Office with reference to former letter of the 6th Instant.

Sir Having communicated to the Draftsmen & Clerks in this office, the minute of His Excellency on their application to me of the 6th Instant.

I have the honor to forward the enclosed letter

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explanatory of the meaning they intended to convey. You will have the goodness to lay the same before His Excellency for his favorable consideration.

(Signed) R.H.

5/91
24th Oct 1831Forwarding Design for a Township at Burn Bank for approval.

Sir I have the honor to forward a Design for a Township at Burn Bank and request you will have the goodness to lay the same before His Excellency and the Executive Council for approval.

(Signed) R.H.

5/92
24th Oct 1831Forwarding Design for a Township South of A Rees's Special Survey.

Sir I have the honor to forward a Design for a Township adjoining the Southern Boundary of Mr John Rees's Special Survey near Alberton, and request you will have the goodness to cause the same to be laid before His Excellency and the Executive Council for approval.

(Signed) R.H.

5/93
31st Oct 1831Respecting the employment of a Draftsman to act as Clerk at the Survey Office Portland with two enclosures.

Sir With reference to my letter of the 20th May last A. 5/38, respecting Mr Surveyor Wade's application for a Draftsman to act as Clerk at the Survey Office, Portland, and the approval of His Excellency to my suggestion of preparing Plans to be exhibited for public information at the Police Office until Mr Wade's proposal could be more fully considered.

As the plans are nearly completed I beg to observe that should the present Survey Office at Portland be continued it would be no

desirable that a competent person to act as a Draftsman and Clerk be sent there to enable Mr. Surveyor Wade to perform his duties in the Field to my satisfaction, very little work having been received from that gentleman who pleads as excuse that his time is taken up while at Portland in doing the duty of Draftsman and giving the public information.

(Signed) R.H.

5/94.
1st Oct^r 1831. Respecting the reservation of Allotment 2 of Section 29 in Melbourne for public purposes.
Sir

As the application made by Dr. Patterson to purchase Allotment No. 2 of Section 29 in the City of Melbourne, has been withdrawn by that gentleman I beg to enquire whether it would not be expedient to reserve the above allotment for public purposes.

(Signed) R.H.

5/95.
1st Nov^r 1831. Forwarding Monthly Report of Survey Department for October 1831.
Sir

I have the honor to forward for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor the monthly report of this Department for October 1831.

(Signed) R.H.

5/96.
3rd Nov^r 1831. Respecting the increase as authorised by Circular No. 5/497 dated 2nd October being allowed Mr. Howard 3rd Class Clerk with one enclosure.
Sir

I have the honor to forward the copy of a letter received from Mr. J. A. Howard 3rd Class Clerk in this Department with reference to the increase of 50 per cent authorised by the Circular No. 5/497 dated 2nd Ultimo and request

you will have the goodness to obtain the approval of His Excellency to the said increase being paid to Mr. Howard under the circumstances stated in his letter.

(Signed) R.H.

5/97.
4th Nov^r 1831. Reporting on Mr MacArthur's complaint of Roads in Guroke being stopped up.
Sir

With reference to Mr. J. Mac Arthur's letter of the 3rd Ultimo addressed to His Excellency respecting the road hitherto used by the Inhabitants of the central part of Guroke being stopped up and requesting it might be reopened until the occupation road applied for by him shall be granted, I have the honor to report

1. That the technical objection raised by His Honor the Judge on Mr MacArthur's first application to the Quarter Sessions about 6 months ago is now removed by my present appointment.

2. That the failure of the application made at the last Sessions was a want of punctuality on the part of Mr Mac Arthur in attending the Court and it merges in a complaint that the Judge acting as Chairman had adjourned the Court and thereby delayed it for three months longer.

3. As the road lately stopped up by Captain Pearson's tenant has been for many years used as a public thoroughfare I doubt the power of the party to stop it up until the road applied for by Mr Mac Arthur is allowed by the Court of Quarter Sessions and would beg to suggest that the Clause in question (2nd of 4th Nov^r 1831 No. 11) be submitted to the law officers of the Crown for their opinion thereon.

(Signed) R.H.

5/98
7 Nov 1831

Forwarding a Return of the Townships in Victoria

Sir
In accordance with the request contained in your letter of the 3rd Instant N. 5/61 B. I have the honor to forward a Return of the whole of the Townships which have been approved of ^{in allotments} showing their localities and the number of ^{allotments} sold in each.

(Signed) R.H.

5/99
10 Nov 1831

Forwarding copy of Mr. C.R. White's report on Mallee Scrub Survey.

Sir
I have the honor to forward the copy of a letter received from Mr. C.R. White reporting on the survey of the Mallee Scrub, and request you will have the goodness to bring the same under the notice of His Excellency. As the survey of the Lyrell country has been left incomplete to by Mr. Gritchard I would beg to suggest that Mr. White be instructed to complete the same.

From the length of time the equipment and stores of the Boundary line survey remained buried in the sand great loss no doubt will be sustained - I have instructed Mr. White to have, if possible, a Board of Survey held on what remains and forward the report with as little delay as is possible.

(Signed) R.H.

5/100
10 November 1831

Respecting Captain Pearson's improvements on Section 12 Mickleham, being secured to him.

Sir
I have the honor to enclose the copy of a letter ^{received from Captain James Pearson respecting} a Section of Crown Land (N. 12 Mickleham) formerly held by him under Depasturing License, and which he at present holds a lease for to 31st December next in accordance with the 16th clause of the Regulations

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of 29th March 1830.

It would appear that the Section above alluded to comprises certain improvements viz a Dam, Stock pen and shed and as Captain Pearson wishes to purchase the land under pre-emptive right I would beg to recommend that the Lease be held by him (notwithstanding the claim made by Mr. MacLachlan) until the Government is in a position to decide upon Captain Pearson's application.

(Signed) R.H.

5/101
11 Nov 1831

Forwarding Mr. Watson's report on Mr. R.D. Chamberlain's application to purchase 160 acres at Finner Hill Marsh.

Sir
With reference to Mr. R.D. Chamberlain's letter of the 12th Instant applying to purchase 160 acres at Finner Hill Marsh, stating at the same time that it had been reserved for a Village by Mr. Assistant Surveyor Watson, although quite unsuitable for that purpose - I have now the honor to forward a copy of Mr. Watson's report and to state that the land in question being within the Settled District and containing no improvements of any Description Mr. Chamberlain can have no pre-emptive claim to purchase the same - I consider Mr. Watson has acted perfectly correct.

(Signed) R.H.

5/102
13 Nov 1831

Respecting a tracing of the Survey of the Murray River from Albury upwards to its source being procured from Sydney.

Sir
I understand the Murray River from the crossing at Albury upwards to the head of the Limestone River, one of the sources of the Murray has been surveyed by Mr. Townsend and as the above forms part of the boundary between the Colonies of New South Wales and Victoria - If a tracing of the Survey in question could be procured

from the Sydney Government it would be a great saving to this Colony and would therefore recommend that an application be made accordingly.
(Signed) R.H.

5/105.
19th November 1831 Forwarding plan and description of Roads passing through the Brighton Special Survey for proclamation.

Sir
I have the honor to forward a Plan with descriptions of the Roads passing through the Brighton Special Survey in the Parish of Moorabbin which it is desirable to have proclaimed as parish roads in accordance with the Act of Council 4th William 4th No. 11.
(Signed) R.H.

5/104.
19th November 1831 Forwarding Plan with description of the Road from the Diamond Creek to the Kangaroo Ground for Proclamation.

Sir
I have the honor to forward a Plan with descriptions of the Road marked by Mr. Draftsman Hurst extending from the Bridge at the Diamond Creek within the Township Reserve of Eltham in the Parish of Murrumbidgee to the South West corner of J. & S. Donatson's 640 acres in the same Parish and beg to recommend that the Road be proclaimed as a Parish Road without delay to afford the farmers at the Kangaroo Ground the means of bringing their produce into Melbourne the land through which the old road passed having been purchased from the Government.
(Signed) R.H.

4th William 4th No. 11.

5/105.
19th November 1831 Relative to Stock on the Buntingdale Mission Reserve with One enclosure.

Sir
I have the honor to forward the enclosed letter from Messrs George Armitage and Sons relative to the Stock at present in depasturing on the Buntingdale Mission Reserve lately leased to the above gentlemen which you will have the goodness to bring under the Notice of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.
(Signed) R.H.

5/105a
20th Nov^r 1831 Forwarding for approval Plan and description of the General Cemetery near St. Kilda and descriptions of the portions appropriated.

Sir
I have the honor to forward for the approval of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor a Plan and description of the land marked by Mr. Assistant Surveyor Foot, to the East of St. Kilda, as site for a General Cemetery, also showing the subdivision of the same with descriptions of the portions appropriated to the various Denominations and the Reserve for extension.
(Signed) R.H.

5/106.
20th Nov^r 1831 Forwarding Plan of General Cemetery East of Village of Elsternwick, with the various descriptions.

Sir
I have the honor to forward for the approval of His Excellency the Plan and description of the Land measured by Mr. Assistant Surveyor Foot in the Parish of Drahau to the East of the Village of Elsternwick as site for a General Cemetery; also the subdivision of the same with descriptions of the site appropriated to the various Religions and denominations together with the description of the land reserved for the extension of the General Cemetery.
(Signed) R.H.

5/107.
20th Nov^r 1831 Forwarding copy of Mr Assistant Surveyor Watson's Report on proposed Road from Allans Ford, Hopkins River towards Simboon.

Sir
I have the honor to forward a copy of Mr Assistant Surveyor Watson's report on the line of Road proposed from Allans Ford Hopkins River, towards Simboon, for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

(Signed) R.H.

5/108.
20th Nov^r 1831 Forwarding copy of approved Plan of Tarraville for transmission to the Police Bench at Melbourne.

Sir
I have the honor to forward a copy of the approved Plan of the Township of Tarraville (adjoining the Southern boundary of John Reeves Special Survey in the Gipps Land District) for the purpose of being forwarded to the Police Bench at Melbourne for public information.

(Signed) R.H.

5/109.
20th Nov^r 1831 Forwarding plan and description of Land proposed for Cattle Market at Melbourne.

Sir
(With reference to the letter addressed to you by the Mayor of Melbourne dated 11th Ultimo relative to the Grant of a site for the Cattle Market in connection with the prolongation of Elizabeth Street and His Excellency's minute thereon, I have the honor to forward a plan of the land now proposed to be granted in lieu of the present site with a description of the same for His Excellency's approval and to state that the lines have been marked distinctly on the ground.

(Signed) R.H.

5/110
21st Nov^r 1831 Respecting the application of Mr W Anon to purchase portion of his Run named Woodonga in the Murray District

Sir

With reference to Mr W Anon's application dated 11th June 1831 & 25th 1834, to purchase 160 acres of his run called 'Woodonga' in the Murray District I have the honor to state that having referred the same to Mr Crown Commissioner Smythe I have now to enclose that Officers report for your information.

Mr Anon's Homestead and Improvements will of course be excluded from the Reserve
(Signed) R.H.

5/111
21st Nov^r 1831 Respecting Mr R D Wilson being placed on a fixed salary while surveying the disputed boundaries of Run in Murray District.

Sir

I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter received from Mr Crown Commissioner Smythe relative to the great difficulty experienced in the payment of the allowance to Mr R. D. Wilson for surveying the disputed boundaries of runs in the Murray district and suggesting that Mr Wilson be placed on a fixed salary as a means of obviating future delay which I beg you will have the goodness to bring under the notice of His Excellency.

(Signed) R.H.

5/112
22nd Nov^r 1831 Respecting Mr W J J Clarke's application to have 1280 acres measured at Dooling Forest Station with one enclosure.

Sir

I beg to enclose the copy of an application received from Mr W. J. J. Clarke requesting I would instruct Mr Urquhart (who is surveying at Dooling Forest) to measure 1280 acres of his licensed Run claimed by Mr Clarke.

on 16th June last under the notice of 20th June 1880 and to the sale of which there appeared to be an objection.

2. As there are several other claimants in that locality I have the honor to request you will inform me whether the lands applied for by licensees under the above notice that do not interfere with proposed Townships, and the applications have been duly reported on as unobjectionable are to be measured by my assistants as opportunities offer, particular care being taken to reserve all lines of thoroughfare.

Signed R.H.

5/11/81. 22nd Nov^r 1881 Reporting on the application of E. Buckley to have £22 refunded him on account of the Garmmon Creek Station.

Sir

With reference to Mr. Buckley's application of the 2nd Instant requesting the refund of £22 stated to be overpaid by him as License Fees for the three years ending 31st December 1881, I have the honor to state that in the application forwarded to this office for a lease in the Settled District at Gipps Land Mr. Buckley stated his run in 1879 to contain 24 Sections and in 1880 and 1881 only 20 Sections, the leases were granted and paid for accordingly at the rate of 20/- per Section.

2. The locality has been lately surveyed and fourteen sections of the run are ~~now~~ now found to be in the Settled District the rent of which would be 20/- per section and the remainder outside at £10.

3. I have enclosed a statement of the various sums paid by Mr. Buckley and the amount that would have been justly chargeable as had a correct division of his Run been given in at first, by this you will perceive that £22 pounds

only is due to Mr. Buckley and that a Departure license for 1881 will have to be taken out for that portion of his run situated in the Unsettled District.

(Signed) R.H.

5/11/81.

26th Nov^r 1881

Respecting the application of Messrs. Learmonth & Sons for aid in building a Bridge across Bartlett's Creek.

Sir

With reference to an application from Messrs. Learmonth and others (forwarded by the Police Magistrate at Portland with his letter No. 54/202 dated 20th October last) requesting aid in building a Bridge across Bartlett's Creek, I have the honor to state that having instructed Mr. Lardner Wade to ascertain if the road mentioned in the application was likely to continue a public thoroughfare I am now enabled to forward for your information a copy of that officer's report.

(Signed) R.H.

5/11/81.

27th Nov^r 1881

Respecting the Township at the Forest Creek called Castlemaine being marked by Mr. Draftsman Schar.

Sir

As Mr. Draftsman Schar is within a short distance of the Forest Creek Gold diggings, with his equipment and party, would it not be desirable that the boundary of the Township Reserve to be called Castlemaine and some half acre allotments for sale be marked by the above officer as Mr. Urquhart will be fully employed for some time in marking the Townships at Burrambool Creek and Dorring Forest ascertaining the extent of the Ballarat Gold field.

(Signed) R.H.

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57/116
28th Nov 1851Forwarding Plan of Township of
'Carisbrook' for approval

Sir

I have the honor to forward a Plan of the Town of "Carisbrook" at the junction of the Mount Greenwood and Tullaroop Creeks, in the County of Talbot, and request you will have the goodness to cause the same to be laid before His Excellency, and the Executive Council, for approval

(Signed) R.H.

57/117
29th Nov 1851Forwarding copy of Mr. E. R. White's
report dated 19th November 1851

Sir

I have the honor to forward for the information of His Excellency the copy of a letter received yesterday from Mr. E. R. White, in reporting his further proceedings in the survey of the Mallee Scrub.

(Signed) R.H.

57/118
29th Nov 1851Respecting Agricultural Lands at the
Lake Barron Mission Station with tracing.

Sir

I beg leave to forward a tracing showing the Agricultural land within the Lake Barron Mission Station reserved for sale by Mr. Assistant Surveyor Skene and have the honor to recommend that instructions be given that officer to subdivide the same and throw it open to applicants and desirous of purchasing at auction.

(Signed) R.H.

57/119
1st Dec 1851Respecting the discharge of Mr. E. R. White's
surveying party.

Sir

With reference to the instructions that His Excellency directed should be conveyed to Mr. E. R. White, viz. to take immediate steps to close

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his work, break up his party, and return to Head Quarters as soon as possible;— I beg leave to state, that, Mr. White has not less than 10 Saddle and draught horses, besides the boundary equipment, ordered to be valued, I beg to therefore to recommend, that the men be not discharged, until the equipment and horses, are brought to Melbourne.

(Signed) R.H.

57/120
3rd Dec 1851Respecting Town Park & Public Gardens
at Geelong.

Sir,

In accordance with your request, dated 25th ultimo, I have the honor to forward a copy of the approved Plan of the Town Park & Public Gardens at Geelong for transmission to the Police Magistrate.

Signed R.H.

57/121
1st Dec 1851Forwarding Monthly Report of Department
for November 1851.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the information of His Excellency the Lt Governor the monthly report of this department for November 1851.

Signed R.H.

57/122
5th Dec 1851Respecting List of Lands in the Intermediate
District applied for by parties desirous to purchase at
auction.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a list of Lands in the Counties of Coleridge & Glenville, applied for by parties desirous to purchase, and to request you will have the goodness to inform me, as the lands are situated in the Intermediate district, of those lots that are not claimed by the licensed occupiers and are to be brought into the market, or are to be reserved for sale until the present occupiers have been in possession of their licence 12 months.

Signed R.H.