

who wish to retail without a License. It is well known what pests, unlicensed houses are and how difficult it often is to put them down and I think it may greatly facilitate that object by throwing as many impediments as possible against their being able to procure liquor. Brewers and distillers I would also place under the same regulations, and subject them all to the inspection of the Police. I should also be glad to see the owners of any places where liquor is made or sold wholesale, subject to a fine for allowing any one except their actual family to drink any thing in their houses whether they pay for it or not.

The Hon^{ble} I have the honor to be
 & Dear Sir
 Colonial Secy Sydney Sir
 Melbourne 10 May 1838

No 30/56

Melbourne 10 May 1838

Sir I have the honor to acknowledge your Circular of the 12th ulto which shall be attended to as far as I am able but I would beg to draw your attention to the circumstance of there being no record at the different benches of the character of the different prisoners of the Crown in their districts, beyond the time they may have been in them, and it may so happen that a convict recently come to a district may be sentenced to irons and no remark would be made in the warrant as the Magistrate would be in many cases unacquainted with his character, although it might be such as to require the comment directed by your letter.

Could each bench be furnished from the Pen^{al} Super^{ts} office with a Mem^o of the colonial punishments received by each convict then in the district for the whole time since his arrival in the Colony, and the benches afterwards to continue to make an entry of punishments in these documents, and should the convict be sent

22th

to another district to let this paper be sent also
I think it would render the intentions of your
circular complete and be otherwise beneficial

The Hon
G. Deas Thomson Esq
Col Sec Sydney

I have the honor to be
Sir
Messrs Stalk Pm

Perth 18 May 1830

Sir

An application having been made to
the bench by a gentleman for a summons
to bring up his overseer or superintendent
for quitting his employment before the stipulated
time, under the Act of Council of Geo 4 No 9
but as it appeared the Superintendent was
not engaged in any way as a Menial or labouring
servant, which it was conceived by the bench the
act alone contemplates the summons was not
granted, but as there was some doubt about
it may I request the favour of your opinion on
the subject

I beg to enclose a copy of the agreement
between the parties in question

Thos Fisher Esq
Crown Solicitor
Sydney

I have the honor to be
Sir
Messrs Stalk Pm

No 30/57

Perth 19 May 1830

Sir

In consequence of the Gaol being burnt
by the blacks on the night of the 25th Uto & having no other
place that could be appropriated to that purpose
I have been obliged to rent a building at one
found a work and request you will be pleased to
obtain the sanction of the Ex to the arrangement until a Gaol can be erected

The Col Sec Sydney

Messrs Stalk

No 30/58

Melbourne 19 May 1838

Sir

I have the honor to enclose a letter from Dr Cassen the Colonial Agent of the District respecting the necessity of having a more appropriate place for a Hospital than the present that which I am also of opinion is highly necessary as well as the assistance of the men he mentions to assist in the Hospital. I therefore request you will be good enough to obtain His Excellency's sanction to let a place be hired until a Hospital is built

I have the honor to be

The Hon^{ble}

E Sears Thomson Esq
Col Sec Sydney

Messrs Messrs Messrs

No 30/59

Melbourne 19 May 1838

Sir

Having been at some trouble & expense in forming a garden in the 50 acre paddock allowed me here and my assigned servant whom I have hitherto employed as gardener having reported himself free, and not being able to obtain any one here for that purpose may I request you will be good enough to obtain His Excellency's sanction or to submit it, to allow me to employ a man from the Government fund here until I can get another assigned to me.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obt servant

The Hon^{ble}

E Sears Thomson Esq
Col Sec Sydney

Messrs Messrs Messrs

Sydney

No 38/60

Melbourne 22^d May 1838

Sir I have the honor to state the
witness required by the Crown Solicitor to have
been embarked to stay on board the cutter
Pinnac George. She has been detained in
consequence of the absence of some of the persons
who were to go to Sydney in her. Two of the
principal witnesses only arrived yesterday
from San Francisco Land. The blacks I have
before reported are also to embark in her

The Honble

G. Deas Thomson Esq

Col Secy Sydney

I have the honor to be

to

your Obedt Servant

Messrs Dalrymple

A letter to the same effect to the Crown Solicitor

No 38/61

Melbourne 22 May 1838

Sir I have the honor to acknowledge
your letter of the 25th respecting the two men
named in the margin assigned to Mr E. Dyre and
to state that Mr Dyre left the district about four
months ago for South Australia by Land and
cannot therefore communicate with him but
beg to add that the statement made by these
men is so far incorrect as regards Patten as he
absconded from Melbourne subsequent to his
being taken into the employ of Government I have
enquired of some of the other men who were
assigned to Mr Dyre who state that they were
upon short allowance of biscuit on their way to
the part of the colony from the circumstance of the
journey occupying more time than was calculated
and that some accidents having occurred among

The Cattle obeyed Mr Dye to return over part of
the road leaving the rest of his party with his overseer
who I believe is a prisoner of the Crown. Should Mr
Dye return to Port Phillip, I will communicate
to him the subject of your letter and also return
the men to him that are here who were assigned
to him agreeably to the instructions contained
in your letter of the 22 Feb. I have retained them
in the custody of government until I ascertain
that Mr Dye has returned to the Colony

The Col Sec
Sydney

I have the honor to be
Messrs

No 30/62

Melbourne 29th May 1838

In
In reference to my letter of the 22nd inst I have
the honor to inform you that in consequence of very bad
weather and the blacks suffering from it on the decks of
the Prince George, Mr Scott the Commodore put back &
landed them. I am in consequence obliged to obtain
a passage for them in the Schooner Sarah in which
except they are to embark tomorrow morning with the
exception of Dennis Logan who is reported by the Colonial
Apt Surgeon as unfit at present to be sent, in consequence
of a burn he received on both arms when he effected
the release of his hands from a rope which bound
them by holding them in a fire. Suppurative
has lately come on which requires more care than
he would receive on board

I beg to add that the Master of the Sarah has
agreed to take these men & the constable in
charge at whatever may be the contract price

I have the honor to be

The Hon^{ble}
The Col Sec
Sydney

Messrs
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N^o 30/63

St. John's 30 May 1878

Timothy Connor
England
1826 Life

Sir I have the honour to state that the man named in the margin has reported himself to me as the person named in the last Gazette of the 24 April last as having received a Ticket of Leave for the district of Paramatta he is attached to the Survey here, and I will thank you to inform me if his statement is correct and if so he has requested me to ask the favour of his Ticket being altered to this district to prevent the expense of going to Paramatta A prisoner of the Crown named Murrey made a similar application to me a short time ago, I then wrote to the P.S.C. to ascertain if his claim was correct, but I take the present occasion of suggesting that it may probably save trouble & delay if a notification is sent to me of the disposal of any of the prisoners here either by receiving Tickets or otherwise as soon as the occurrence takes place, I also beg to suggest that from the distance which this district and the neighbouring one of Seabury are from all others and to prevent the expense to the men in getting to any other district, and the inconvenience which may arise from the time it may take them before they can report themselves that the Tickets for the prisoners in these districts may be granted for either one of them

I have the honour to be

Sr

Wm. Murrey

The Hon^{ble}

to Secy. of the Colonies

W.C. Secy

London

No 30/64

Melbourne 30 May 1838

Sir

I have the honor to request a Cooper may be sent for the Public Service of this place, the present man who is thus employed is one of the men that was received from Mr Eyres service and who has been ordered to be returned to him.

I have the honor to be

The Hon

Sir

Edw Thomson Esq
Sydney

Wm. ...

No 30/65

Melbourne 30 May 1838

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 25 ulto respecting the establishing a ferry across the Yarra it is perhaps necessary in the first place to explain that the object of the writer of the letter I enclosed you on the 25 March was not to have a ferry established according to the regulations prescribed by the Act of Council but to be allowed to place a punt upon the river at his own expense and receive the emoluments arising from it until the Government should establish a ferry or some other means of crossing. With respect to the place most eligible for establishing a ferry I have the honor to report for the suggestion of His Excy the Governor, that opposite the town there are two rocky shallows, called falls, and that anywhere between these falls would do, or immediately above the upper one, the communication then being as near as possible with the heart of the town and the opposite country, the banks above the upper fall are harder and on that account better adapted than those below. The punt to be sufficiently useful should be large enough to contain a chary and bullocks, to prevent the necessity of unloading or unyoking. But if I may be allowed to express my opinion as to the best mode of crossing

the river I should say decidedly that a dam thrown
 across at the lower fall would possess greater advantage
 than any other method, as it would not only answer as
 a means of communication but would also
 preserve the water above at all times fresh
 at present it is frequently impregnated with
 sea water and scarcely fit for the use of the Town
 I should think the expense would not be more
 than £250, there being already a natural
 foundation of rock & large stones. A point
 of rock & stones extends from the right bank to
 the centre of the stream / about 143 feet / which is
 nearly dry & beyond that to the left bank about
 100 feet it is a rocky bed with about 3 1/2 feet
 water running over it at low water which rises
 about 2 or 2 1/2 feet. Stone to complete it can
 be procured about a mile up the river. a dam
 placed here would also be of great advantage
 to the shipping as it would ensure them fresh
 water whenever they sent for it or required it
 either from Hobsons bay or the basin when the
 small vessels come to which is immediately
 below the fall.

I have the honor to be
 Sir
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The Hon & Dear Thomson Esq
 Col Lee Sydney



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20/68

Wellbourne 1 June 1838

Sir

I have the honor to report that the time having expired that was allowed to the purchasers of the Town allotments which were sold this day twelvemonth, and the conditions of sale as regards the erection of a building on each allotment of not less value than £50 not having been fulfilled by several of the purchasers I will thank you to inform me if His Ex^{ty} the Governor wishes any steps to be taken to put the penalty into force, which I would strongly beg to recommend, in order to prevent future purchases being made for the purpose of speculation only which cannot fail to injure the Town.

I have the honor to enclose a copy of the bond and also of the fifth condition of sale, as I think there is some mistake in the bond as regards the date from which the year commences that is allowed for building. The condition states it to be from the day of sale, the bond from the date of ^{its} signature which may be some time after the sale.

The Hon

Edw. Thomas Esq

Col Secy

Sydney

I have the honor to be

Sir

Wm. Marshall Esq

Sir I have the honor to enclose you George Lally's account of Sales by auction for the last month and a cheque on the bank of Australia for the amount of duty by £ 1. 18. 6

I have the honor to be

Sir

Wm. Marshall

The Hon

J. D. Reddell Esq

Col Treasurer

Sydney

Melbourne 2 June 38

Sir I have the honor to inform you that the Commercial Bank of Sydney has formed an Agency here, and to ask of through that means the Salaries and contingent amounts could not be paid here, upon the Abstracts being approved in Sydney

I have the honor to be

Sir

Yours truly

Thos Hill

C & Rastell Esq

Col Treasurer Sydney

Melbourne 3 June 38

Sir

I have the honor to forward you my cheque on the Bank of Australasia for six pounds one from Wm Langhorne for one pound 1/- and an order on W Fisher from Wm Stafford for two pounds amounting to £9.1.0. on account of Subs to the Statue of Sir R Bourke paid by the persons named in the margin

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Jr ^o Langhorne	1.1.0
C De Villiers	1.0.0
A Langhorne	2.0.0
Jr ^o Stafford	2.0.0
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I have the honor to be

Sir

Yours truly

J Black Esq

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Melbourne 5 June 1838

Sir I have a request you will send me
in the course of the forenoon your monthly
reports in order that I may transmit them to
Sydney. The copies which you sent me
yesterday I have received but this is an
unregular mode of proceeding

Wm J. Lamborne

I am Sir
W. Lonsdale

No 38/68

Melbourne 5 June 1838

Sir I have the honor to enclose a
letter from Mr. Proffitt the Clerk of works
applying for a prisoner of the crown as
office keeper. should his request be
attended to I will thank you to obtain
the Governors sanction to direct a man
to be sent here for that purpose

I have the honor to be

Sir

The Govt
E. Deas Thomson
Colonial Secretary
Sydney

Your Obedient Servant
W. Lonsdale
P.M.

No 38/67

Melbourne 3rd June 1838

Sir I have the honor to state I
Thomas received information on the 27th ult that
Jones the prisoner of the crown named in the
Western Mercury was found killed upon a man
1834 and occupied by Mr Bowman about sixty miles
from this. I have taken a deposition of a
man who was present when he was
found

found which I enclose from the enquiry
I have made into the circumstances there
is no doubt but the murder was committed
by Black but not that about this part of
the country Mr. Bonmans overseer has reported
to me that this unfortunate circumstance
has caused much fear among his men
I have sent a party of the mounted Police
to show themselves thereabouts for a short
time in order to inspire confidence
and to alarm the Black

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant
W. Bondale
WLB

Malbourne 5 June 1838

Sir
In acknowledging your letter of the 14th Ult
I have the honor to state I have communicated
its contents to Mr. Hodelle who wishes me to say
he merely held the licence for the purpose of
selling land but if his services are required
again in that capacity he has no objection to
again enter into the bond but that he has
no sureties here and would wish to obtain
the same as before by Mr. J. Currier of the
Supreme Court & Mr. J. C. White of Port Stephens
if these gentlemen enter into the bond I will have
it completed by your sending it to me

C. D. Reddell Esq
Col. Treasurer
Sydney

I have the honor to be
Sir
W. Bondale

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Melbourne 6 June 38

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I have the honor to enclose you ten bonds which complete those of the sale of 1 June 87, also the acknowledgements of two bonds for the same sale these documents are also now complete as far as I can procure them

J D Maddell Esq
Col Treasurer
Sydney

I have the honor to be
Si
Merrill's Pl

N^o 30/69

Melbourne 5 June 1838

I have the honor to report for the information of His Ex the Governor that it has hitherto been the custom for me to receive from Mr Langhorne his monthly report of expenditure of the Native Institution and his statement of monthly annuities, I yesterday received from him a copy of these documents and upon sending to him for the originals I received the letter from him of which I enclose a copy, I beg to add he has omitted giving extracts from his instructions which bear more particularly on this point which I also send, and need not remark that he has acted in direct violation of his instructions in not forwarding these papers to me, and also assumes a tone which is subversive of all order the spirit of his instructions is, though not specified on all points that he is under my superintendence and where I think necessary my directions, and I request most urgently you will be good enough to solicit His Ex the Governor to make him sensible that he must confine himself to these bounds I ask so solely for the good of the public service indeed so strongly do I feel the evil which might result from permitting such a direct disobedience of orders, that I felt very much inclined to suspend him from his duty, but upon consideration of the propriety

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in his charge I think it better to leave it until His Ex^{ty} decision is known. I also unhesitatingly add that if another person can be found to occupy his station here it would be well for the institution if Mr Langhorne were removed. I cannot but conceive Mr Langhorne's report for May to be highly irregular inasmuch as it is a subject to be left for a report from myself, that it throughout has a false colouring given to it and that in it he undertakes to arraign upon my conduct, a circumstance which I beg in consideration of the office I hold here most particularly to bring under the notice of His Ex^{ty} the Governor.

It may perhaps be necessary for me to enter more minutely on the subject of Mr L's report than I did in my letter to you of the 8th ulto for His Ex^{ty} further information and having been present during the whole transaction I have a better opportunity of knowing what took place than Mr L who was witness to nothing until he was attracted to the spot by the firing. I grant that more took place than I had any idea or intention of but it was the result of circumstances alone, my object in going out myself was to ensure if possible the blacks being taken without any harm done, I made sure of taking those I wanted without any difficulty, but upon our first going up to them they resisted and attacked us before we could take any steps, and it became a fight for a minute or two who should be master of the arms brought by the Police, I had myself a spear thrust at me which I knocked down, and whilst myself and the Supt who was next me were each endeavouring to grapple a black I perceived another had caught up a pistol which was slung to the sergeant's belt and had got the muzzle to my stomach, I instantly let go the black I had hold of to secure the pistol, Mr De Villiers was grappled with and could not extricate himself until the black was knocked down by a police man with his carbine, the other police men were all engaged and dealt as any men would under

similar circumstances some hard blows, and were
 when Mr L saw them very much excited as might be
 supposed from the unexpected work they had to encounter,
 nothing more was done than could be avoided until
 the blacks escaped, when the firing took place which
 was unpremeditated and which I could not control
 and endangered some of our own party more than the
 blacks, who had escaped below the line of fire. The
 two men who were taken were each cut on the head
 but not to such an extent as to incapacitate them
 for further resistance, I assisted in securing one,
 but it was with the greatest difficulty. It was as much
 as three men could do to hold him, and was thus
 engaged when Mr L came up, I was so anxious the
 man should not escape that I called to him to
 bring some rope, but he would not answer me for
 some time, and when he did it was in a most
 improper manner. Some of the police men were
 swearing and using perhaps some unnecessary
 language, and one of them took up his carbine
 when the blacks we were trying to secure had
 got hold of my hand in his mouth and said let
 me kill the scoundrel Captain why should you
 let him hurt you, but another prevented his
 striking the blacks, this as far as I recollect is
 the detail of the scenes of brutality which Mr L
 thinks fit to term it.

Ser Leary of the Mounted Police is now in
 Sydney who can be questioned if you think proper

I have the honor to be
 Sir
 Messrs
 Sir

The Hon
 & Dear Thomson Esq
 Colonial Secy
 Sydney

N^o 30/70

Melbourne 9 June 88

Sir I have the honor to request I may be furnished with the Acts of Council for the years 1829. 1830. 1831. for the use of this bench which has never yet been supplied with them

The Hon

Edw. Thomson Esq
Colonial Secy
Sydney

I have the honor to be

Sir
Yours respectfully
Messrs

N^o 30/70

Melbourne 11 June 88

Sir As some acts to be performed by Magistrates, are particularly directed by their respective Acts of Council, to be done by Courts of Petty Sessions, may I request the favour of your obtaining the sanction of His Excellency the Governor to have this suggested a place where a Court of Petty Sessions is to be held, and to nominate the clerk according to the Act of Council 3^d Will 4th N^o 3. Sec 17

I beg to add that I applied previously to my leaving Sydney, to have this done but that it has never yet been effected

I have the honor to be

Sir
Yours respectfully
Messrs

The Hon

Edw. Thomson Esq
Colonial Secy
Sydney

Yours

No 30/72

Melbourne 11 June 1838

Sir

In reference to your letter of the 23^d February last wherein a pound is recommended to be established I have the honor to state that the Magistrates of the District have been desirous to do so, but under the present circumstances of the place it has been thought that there would not be sufficient trespasses to demand the establishing of a Pound as there are no owners of land except in town allotments who would be justified to impound, but could the town of Melbourne be included in the provisions of the 19th Section of the act a pound would be at once highly desirable, and if practicable I will thank you to recommend it to His Excel the Governor and also to inform me further on the subject.

The Hon
 & Secy Thomson Esq
 Col Sec
 Sydney

I have the honor to be
 Sir
 Messrs
 Dr

Melbourne 11 June 1838

Sir I have the honor to inform you that James Rogers who was named by you as Constable for Port Phillip has resigned from the 19th W^o and I will thank you to appoint some other person in his place. A man named John Deylew ^{residence} applied to me for a situation in the public pen who tells me he was upwards of four years a Constable in Lancaster & other parts of N. S. W. Should there be nothing objectionable in his character perhaps he might answer for the appointment as he

I have the honor to be
 Sir
 Messrs
 Dr

Capt Foster
 Army Police Mag^{te}
 N. S. W.

No 30/73

Melbourne 12 June 30

Sir I have the honor to state that many irregularities occur here and complaints made of them which I am unable to take the necessary notice of for the want of some sufficient enactment to control them. In order briefly to explain my meaning I beg to state that the Sydney Police Act 4th Vol 4 1847 contains nearly every thing I allude to, and could it, or so much of it as does not exclusively relate to the town of Sydney be extended to this town it would be a great benefit, and such annoyances over which at present there is no legal power, as this town is rapidly increasing the want of such regulations will be daily more required, they will also enable the Proclamation of the 21 June 1837 to be more certainly attended to. I conceive the punishments that may be awarded for some of the crimes above alluded to by old statutes by Summary jurisdiction are not at present sufficiently extensive to be of much avail and I have the honor to request you will be good enough to submit this application for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor and should it be deemed practicable I think it would be desirable to add the following misdemeanours to those enumerated in the Sydney Act. Discharging fire arms or shooting on Sundays - Swearing or using indecent or disgusting language to the public annoyance Persons working or employing others to work on Sundays Any person who by entertaining others in his house shall frequently have drunken people therein thereby causing disorder to the annoyance of the public A greater penalty for persons drunk & disorderly on Sundays than on other days

The Hon

G. Deas Thomson Esq

Col Secy

Sydney

I have the honor to be

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Messrs Stubs & Co

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N^o 38/74

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Melbourne 13 June 30
Sir I have the honor to request you will be pleased
to solicit the sanction of His Ex^{ty} the Governor &
allow a set of Standard Weights & Measures
to be supplied for the use of the Bench at
this town in conformity with the Act of Council
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The Col Sec
Sydney

Merridale

N^o 38/75

Melbourne 13 June 30

Sir I have the honor to enclose you
a certificate of Freedom found among the
effects of the late Constable Matthew Thomkins
deceased

The Col Sec
Sydney

Merridale

N^o 38/76

Melbourne 14 June 30

Sir I have the honor to state for
the information of His Ex^{ty} the Governor that I
think it would be desirable if some more
allotments in this Town were offered for sale
Some of the former purchasers are subdividing
their allotments to meet the present demand
if I may be allowed to give an opinion as to
which allotments should be next offered
I should say those contained in Sections 1
15. 17 & 18

The Col Sec
Sydney

Merridale

N^o 30/77

Melbourne 16 June 38

Sir

In reference to your predecessors letter of the 17 Dec 36 I conclude that the directions contained therein that it is not proposed to issue licenses for the occupation of Land at present is annulled by the arrival of Mr Peter Snodgrass as Com^r of Crown Land and that squatters are now to obtain licenses

The Col Sec
Sydney

I have the honor to be
Merridale

N^o 30/78

Melbourne 19 June 38

Sir

The enclosed Memorial has been handed to me by Mr Reed of Waterfield with a request that I would forward it to be submitted to His Ex^{ty} the Governor which I have much pleasure in complying with from the conviction that every establishment of the Govt must add to the welfare of this Community in the most essential points

The Col Sec
Sydney

I have the honor to be
Merridale

Melbourne 19 June 38

Sir

I beg to enclose you Mr Hills Auction Accounts for last month with a cheque on the bank of Australia for the amount of Duty of £ 5. 11. 3

The Col Treasurer
Sydney

Merridale
Dr

Melbourne 19 June 30

Sir

I have the honor to state that I have received a notice from the bank of Australasia that the sum of £ 192. 12. 9. has been withdrawn from my Acct by you which in the absence of any information from your office I conclude to be the amount of what you advised me in your communication of the 23 March last and am in hopes these amounts may be shortly settled as it becomes exceedingly unpleasant to me to be constantly asked by the parties to whom the money is due for payment & to be unable to give them any information I suppose you I may now safely refer all those who are unpaid to your office and I will thank you to let me have a Memorandum of the different sums which have been paid to my account at the bank either sums due to myself or such as have been paid in by order of the individuals to whom they were due and who were paid by me or without it I cannot tell whether my bank account is correct or that all sums have been paid in for which I have to receive credit

The Col Treasurer
Sydney

Wmndul

Melbourne 19 June 30

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the Acct of fines & fees for the quarter ending 31 March 30 certified by my self as the account was not kept by a clerk there being none for part of the period

The Auditor Gen
Sydney

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Melbourne 19 June 90

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Sir I have the honor to enclose you the Account of fines and Fees received at the Police Office for the period from 1 January to 31 March 90 which has been delayed in consequence of my not receiving an answer to a letter I wrote to the Auditor General on the subject of these amounts

The Col Treasurer
Sydney

Wm. M. M. M.

N^o 90/79

Melbourne 26 June 1890

Sir I have the honor to report for the information of His Ex^{ty} the Governor that a boat and some other property belonging to a man named Will Johnson who was drowned in Hobsons Bay in March 87 has been in possession of the police ever since I wrote to the Registrar of the Supreme Court on the 11 April & 19 Sept 87 on the subject and requested to know what should be done with them sending him at the same time a list of the property and some accounts which were due by Johnson to neither of which letters have I received an answer I will therefore thank you to inform me what is to be done with this property and if the debts can be defrayed from it

I have the honor to be
Sir

Wm. M. M. M.

The Hon^{ble}

to Sec^y of the Treasury

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Melbourne 27 June 1830

In reference to my letter of the 30 May 30 I have the honor to state that the person I employed to give me information respecting the Wild Cattle said to be at Western Port has never understood returned to that place but I have now the honor to enclose a copy of a letter I have received from the only two settlers there making an offer for these cattle but as it appears so vague I would not lose with it I wished them to take the whole that there may be there at least a head but they would not agree to it appears extraordinary that cattle should choose such bad country when there is good close by and that they should be so poor as described

Messrs Anderson & Maffie appear to have a small number of stock at Western Port and are also growing grain & potatoes they report that coal is abundant as far as can be judged from the surface and of good quality and have requested me to let them know whether they could obtain permission to dig it and under what regulations, and I will thank you to instruct me upon this point, I beg to add that there appears to be a great desire to obtain coal hereabouts for the purpose of supplying steam boats for this district & V.B.L. This fact may therefore deem it advisable to have further enquiry made respecting the coal at Western Port

I have the honor to be
Sir

The Hon
Dear Thomas Esq
Col Sec
Sydney

Wm Mervin Esq

No 30/01

Melbourne 27 June 38

Sir I have the honor to report for the information of His Ex^{ty} the Governor that the Convict named in the Margin who has been under the Superintendance of Mr C. H. Deben in this district and who has lately received a Ticket of Leave was convicted before His Ex^{ty} of being in a state of intoxication in the town on the 19 inst and making use of very indecent language for which the Magistrates sentenced that he be recommended to His Ex^{ty} the Governor to deprive him of the indulgence of holding a Ticket of Leave, and as it appeared that there was no precaution taken to prevent this irregularity, upon this man coming into town from the country by his Superintendent, it is further recommended by the Magistrates that he should be withdrawn from private service. This irregularity occurred the day previous to the ticket being received here and in consequence of it I have not issued it.

The Col Sec. Sydney

I have the honor to be
Sir Marshall O'Rourke

Will Cotton Jr New 1833, No of Ticket 30/094

Melbourne 27 June 1838

Sir I have the honor to enclose you Ambrose Tibbets a copy of the description of the man named Layton in the Margin which was entered on the Ticket of Leave No ³⁰/₄₈₄ previous to delivery to him 1829

The Prin^l Sec of Convicts
SydneyI have the honor to be
Sir Marshall O'Rourke

June 28

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Melbourne 27 June 88

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 28 ulto relative to the application of Mr Peckham for extra pay whilst acting as Clerk of Works here, I have the honor to enclose a statement of the work done whilst he was so employed during the period from 25 Dec^r to 31 March 88 and in reply to the last part of your letter I conceive two shillings and six pence a day will sufficiently remunerate him for his extra duty.

I have the honor to be

Y^r Obedt ^{Servant}
The Hon^{ble} Secy - Sydney

Wm. Messel

Melbourne 2 July 88

Sir I have the honor to forward you the recognizances of the individuals named in the margin who have had certificates granted them for Publican Licenses for the ensuing year

I have the honor to be
Wm. Messel

- J P Lawrence
- M^r Carr
- E W Humphreys
- Geo Smith
- Peter Scott
- Wm Harper
- Rob Fleming
- Wm Sharp

The
Clerk of the Peace

Sydney