

accordance with the government regulations if
those subscriptions were included with those about
to be raised, to be met by an equal sum from
the treasury, indeed I should think there can
be no doubt on the subject, and perhaps your
lordship will be good enough to instruct us
thereupon, the sum expended upon the building
was I believe somewhere about one hundred pounds,

I have the honor to be
Yours Lordship
The Right Rev
The 1st Bishop of Australia
Sydney

I have the honor to be
Yours Lordship

Wm. M. M.

Perth
21 Nov 1877

Sir

I in reply to your letter of the 21st Ult^o I
have the honor to state that I think it would
be very desirable if the Late Constable John
Allsworths, please were filled up by a person
competent to identify runaways from Van
Diemens Land

I have the honor to be
Sir

Wm. M. M.

Yours obt servant
Wm. M. M.

Chief Police Magistrate
V. D. L.

Sir

Melbourne

27 Nov 37

I have the honor to request that
 tea may be purchased for the
 public service here, understanding
 that the supply in the store is exhausted

Lt. C. J. Howard
 Melbourne

I have the honor to be

Sir

Yours

Melbourne 27 Nov 37

Sir

Understanding by a letter I have
 just received from Mr De Villiers that
 in disobedience of the instructions I gave ^{you} on
 Friday last that your servants are
 erecting a fenced yard upon the spot
 I have appointed for the Native police
 I have now to direct that you will
 without the least delay remove your
 men and drays all together from that part
 of the country, and I am sending an order
 to Mr De Villiers to prevent your men
 proceeding any further with the work

It also appears that your men were
 very insolent to Mr De Villiers one of
 whom ^{I understand} is a prisoner of the Crown the man
 I have to request you will forward to
 the Justice Office to be dealt with for his
 highly improper conduct

I have the honor to be

Sir

Mr Rob Allan
 Melbourne

Messrs. J. & Co.

Melbourne

Sir

27 Nov 1837

I have to acknowledge your letter of the 25 inst respecting the obstruction given to you by Mr Allans men in the execution of your instructions. I have to inform you in reply that I have written to Mr Allan directing him to remove his men and drags immediately from the country. I have appointed to be occupied by the Native Police and in the mean while you will prevent Mr Allans men from doing any further work, and if necessary you will cause such fencing as has been put up to be pulled down, and should the prisoner of the crown whom you say has behaved in an improper manner towards you repeat his improper conduct, you will forthwith send him to me in charge of some of the Native Police, notwithstanding this interference you will of course go on with the work I directed. Should any other persons attempt or propose establishing themselves on the south side of the Dargynon creek or in the vicinity of your station you will acquaint them that as that country is intended for the occupation of the Native Police, it cannot for the present be allowed for the purposes of squatting.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Wm C. F. F. Kelly
In charge of Native Police

Wm C. F. F. Kelly

Post Phillip

Malborough

28 Nov 1837

Sir

In compliance with instructions
received from the Colonial Secretary
I have the honor to inform you that
the salary of William Buckley is sixty
60 pounds a year and that he has been
paid to the 30 Sept he is also entitled to
retire to the end of the present year

I have the honor to be
Sir

Capt Lums
Police Magistrate
Junction

28 Nov 1837

Malborough 29 Nov 37

Thos Richardson of Royal Charlotte appli-
ca certificate of Freedom forwarded

Malborough

Per a Sub of Con vity

No 85

Penitentiary 29 Nov 1837

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Sir

I have the honor to report that seven prisoners of the Crown have absconded from the works here lately, they were pursued as soon as I was aware of it and there is at present a constable & four soldiers searching for them but as some hours elapse before it is known that any one is missing it is a mere chance if they are taken. I would therefore request that the mounted police stationed in advance of the Gas district of the circumstance and also to keep a close watch upon the road from this place, as it is not improbable others may also attempt to escape. I have forwarded these men's names to the principal Sup^t of Convicts.

I beg to remark that the last fifty men who were sent for the public works of this district were generally men of the very worst character. Many I have myself known for some time past as incorrigible & as such men always endeavour to make others equally troublesome with themselves. I respectfully submit that it would have been better had they not been selected for a place so remote from any other assistance than its own small force of constables or soldiers, which being unmounted has no very probable chance of apprehending such as may abscond. As it may be some time before a proper prisoners barracks can be built I think it would be a very advisable thing to have two or three wooden houses similar to those for ironfungs sent for present use, the worst characters would then be better secured and more easily separated from the others.

The Hon
The Col Sec^y Sydney

I have the honor to be
Yours
The Hon Sec^y of the Penitentiary

No 86

Melbourne 29 Nov 87

Sir

In reference to my letter of the 28th ulto I have the honor to state for the information of the Executive the Governor that I have proposed upon a site for the Native Village of the Native Police it is about twenty miles from this and in about an east south east direction it possesses every necessary advantage, and is the part of the country the blacks themselves prefer. I think it will be necessary to preserve a considerable extent of country around them from squatters otherwise they may be constantly liable to be interfered with. I have already been obliged to order Mr R Allan to move, as he occupied the place I had chosen as soon as he was aware I had done so, and I fear I may yet have some trouble with him. Some government regulation to prevent any one interfering in any way with those blacks who have attached themselves to any of the government establishments will I think be very necessary, and also that some penalty be attached to the infringement of the regulation.

I have the honor to report that Mr H Long the has joined the Survey & request I may be informed from what date he may be returned for pay at what rate. He joined on the 18 inst.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Wm. Charles M.

Mr Hon. G. Deas Thomson Esq
Col Sec

Yours

No 87

Melbourne

30 Dec 87

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the returns for the last month from the prisoners to the Aborigines

The Honble

Edmund Thomas Esq
Sydney

I have the honor to be

Sir

Yours respectfully
Wm. A. B. B.

Melbourne 5 Dec 87

Sir

Enclosed is an extract from a letter I have received from the Col Sec in answer to the information I requested on the subject of John Jay and that of D. C. C.

I am

Sir

Edmund Thomas Esq

Melbourne

Yours respectfully
Wm. A. B. B.

Melbourne 7 Dec 1887

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the description of a man who is now undergoing a sentence of six months imprisonment for absconding from his hired service having a suspicion that the amount he gives of his freedom is not correct and will thank you to inform me thereupon, should you entertain any suspicion also and not be able to decide by the description the man might if you wish be forwarded to Sydney jail to finish his sentence & be identified

Yours

The Honble Secy of Convicts

I have the honor to be

Sir

Yours respectfully
Wm. A. B. B.

Antenne 7 Dec 37

Sir I have the honor to enclose the small abstract of Salaries for the quarter ending 30 Sept 37 which was detained in consequence of a dispute between two of the persons respecting the dates they were to end and commence pay

I have the honor to be

Your obedient servant
J. G. Sney

Sir

Miss Anne L. B.

R^d 80

Antenne 6 Dec 1837

Sir I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 27 Nov and beg to remark with respect to the seventh paragraph which states that I have received authority by your letter of the 22^d July last to employ a horse for the greater expedition of a Constable when required, but upon reference to that letter I cannot perceive that such authority is given, but that I am merely directed to state if two or three horses can be procured to mount the Constabulary, which I answered by my letter of the 6 October. I therefore request you will do me the honor to inform me if horses may be purchased for the use of the police or if some are to be hired for them as occasions require.

- 2 The person I mentioned in my letter of the 28th October as being engaged to assist Mr De Villiers with the Native police has resigned, his real reason for doing so is I believe fear of the natives I do not yet know who to fit to replace him.

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3 I^d Cusser having applied to me to know
if he is entitled to any allowance for attending
inquests and not being able to answer him
on that point I have the honor to request
you will be good enough to instruct me thereupon
4 I am sorry to be obliged to report that

I have been prevented placing James Waller
in charge of the gaol of this town according to
the appointment which His Excellency Sir
Richard Bourke was so kind as to bestow
on him for on the day I told him of his
appointment and immediately after making
me the most positive assurances of being most
particular in his conduct & attentive to his duties
he went to the lowest public house in the
town, got very drunk and made a public
exposure of himself. I am the more annoyed
as after a considerable period of the most
regular conduct I was induced to recommend
him for the situation. I have now the
honor to request he may be removed, and
I shall continue the gaol in charge of a
constable until someone is appointed

5/ I have the honor to report that I have not
received payment for all the allotments
sold on the 1st Nov but having been assured
by most of the persons that they have only
been prevented paying by not receiving
their remittances so soon as they expected
from J. D. L. I have kept the accounts open
until the vessels arrive by which the money
is expected. I forward by the steamer such
money as I can transmit by post that which
is in bulk I shall retain until I receive
instructions as to how I shall interest
it. The amount now sent is £1714.3.0
I have the honor to be

The Hon^{ble}
The Col Sec^y
Sydney

Wm. Charles M.

Melbourne

8 Dec 37

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that I have not yet made up the account of the sale of Town Allotments which took place here on the 1st Nov. as several of the parties have given me an assurance that they intend paying for what they have purchased but have been prevented by their remittances from V. D. L. being delayed. Not having received any directions how to send the money, I shall forward you by the steamer James Watt per post as much as I can put up in a small compass an account of which is enclosed, and I will thank you to instruct me how I shall remit such as may be in bulk.

Mr John Hodgson who is about proceeding to Sydney by the James Watt has requested me to let him pay into your office what is due by him as he cannot procure cash here, and having confidence in him I have allowed him to pay in this manner and I will thank you to let me be informed of the payment the following is the amount to be paid by him, £27. 37. 16. 0 - 36 - 45. 0. 0
37 - 48. 12. 0 Total £ 131. 8. 0

The Cheque drawn by Mr Webb for Mr Brown on the Australasian Bank I accepted by advice from that bank dated 6 Sept 37.

I am the honor to be

Sir

Wm. Webb Esq.

The Colonial Treasurer
Sydney

Melbourne

18 Dec 37

Sir

I have the honor to request your assistance if possible in furnishing a night sentry for the purpose of preventing the prisoners of the crown escaping from there but several of whom have lately absconded during the night and it is feared from circumstances that have come to my knowledge that others intend attempting the same thing

I have the honor to be

Sir

Wm. Schute Esq

L. H. Hawkes

Army Det 20 Reg

Melbourne

Melbourne 21 Dec 1837

Sir

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date I have to request you will furnish me with the names of those individuals upon whose evidence you say you ground your complaint against Mr De Villiers

I am

Sir

Yours Obt Servant

Wm. Schute Esq

W. G. Langhorne

Missionary

Port Phillip

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Wt cepted 1/4 37

Melbourne

21 Dec^r 1837

Sir I have the honor to request you will inform me to what day Mr L'Arcy is to be returned for pay in the Port Phillip Abstract

I have the honor to be

Sir

R H. Able Esq.

Surveyor

Port Phillip

Messrs. Able & Co.

Melbourne

22 Dec^r 1837

Sir

Mr George Langhorne having represented to me that you are aware of some irregularities on the part of Mr De Villiers in the management of the black natives under his charge I have to request you will detail to me such circumstances as may have come under your notice.

I am

Sir

To Mr G. Langhorne

Mr R. Allan

Mr J. M. Langhorne

Port Phillip

Yours obt. Servant

Messrs. Able & Co.

Wellbourne 24 Dec 37

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the recognition entered into by the evidence in the case of Ed Madelin committed for Larceny and beg to remark that the three prisoners of the Crown who were implicated in the transactions were sentenced to terms for 12 cal months.

I have the honor to be

The Attorney Gen^l

Sir

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Sydney

Wm. Madelin Esq.

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Wellbourne 27 Dec 37

Sir

I have the honor to report for the information of the Gov^{er} that Mr Leroux whose conduct I have already reported has ceased of his own accord to do any further duty. finding he could not account for some stores which were said to have been sent here I directed him about two weeks ago to have a general muster of what he had in charge but he neglected to attend and when sent for said he was sick. I have not seen any thing of him since, and as the work under his superintendence was neglected I have directed Mr Pedrana the overseer of roads to take charge of the whole of the works here until an appointment is made. I beg to add that Mr Pedrana's conduct has been highly satisfactory and he has always shown a desire to assist in every way he can. and could an increase of pay or some allowance be made him whilst performing this extra duty I think him well deserving of it and am glad to recommend him to His Excellency's notice.

I have also to report that Mr Smith
the schoolmaster to the mission station
has resigned from the district and a Mr
Penny has been named by Mr Langhorne
to do the duty in his place and I beg to
know if he may be retained for the same
rate of pay as given to Mr Smith.
I have the honor to enclose an application
from Mr Langhorne for the second servant
allowed to the mission.

I have the honor to be
Sir

The Col Secy Sydney

Merrett St

20 90

Wellington 20 Dec 87

Sir

We have the honor to state for the information
of His Excellency the Governor that a Labourer named
Ralph Sutton was convicted before us on the
23 inst of selling ginger beer without a license
the fact was clearly proved but there appears to
be nothing aggravated in the man's conduct
and that the act allowed the exercise of any
discretion we should have awarded as low
a fine as was permitted, but as no discretion
is permitted to the Magistrates we were obliged
to order that he should pay the sum of thirty
pounds, and we now request as the man
bears a very good character that you will
solicit His Excellency the Governor to mitigate
the fine. We beg also to state that as the
informer is a prisoner of the crown the money
of the fine which is allowed to the person
giving information might be withheld.

The depositions have been forwarded to the
Attorney General

We have the honor to enclose a memorial

from some of the principal inhabitants sent
us on behalf of Watton

The Hon^{ble}
The Col Secy
Sydney

We have the honor to be
Sir

18th Warrack P^r
18th W Hawkins L⁸⁰ Reg J^r

Mt Burrum 29 Dec 1837

Sir

In reply to your letter of this date I
have to state that I shall send a copy of the
paper which accompanied it to Mr De Villiers &
request his immediate reply to it which when
received shall be forwarded with the other
correspondence on the same subject for the
information of the Ex^l the Governor

I am Sir

W J Longmore
Mistraman
Post Office

Warrack P^r

Mt Burrum 28 Dec 1837

Sir

I have the honor to forward depositions
taken on a charge against a man of the name of
Pylls an inhabitant of this town for selling
beer on a Sunday which statements are so much
at variance that the bench did not wish to come
to any conclusion until your opinion had been
requested on the subject. I will therefore feel
obliged to you if you will inform me what
will be the best course to pursue not only
with regard to the accused party, but also if
a charge of perjury could not be laid against
some of the parties. I have but little knowledge
of any of them, they having but recently arrived here

I cannot say therefore any thing respecting their
 character Mills is by trade a brewer
 I could wish were it possible that an example
 were made of some parties for false swearing
 hoping it might have a salutary effect in
 checking a crime which I fear is but too usual here

J. H. Plunkett Esq
 Attorney General
 Sydney

I have the honor to be
 Sir
 Wm. Mitchell Esq

Melbourne 29 Dec 1837

Sir
 I have the honor to enclose the amount
 of sales by Auction by Mr Hile amounting to
 £6.13.1 duty for the month of November last
 which sum has been paid into my hands.

I will feel obliged if you will inform me if the
 sum of £6.4.0 due Mr Eyre in the favor of Wilson
 & Eyre was paid into the bank of Australasia
 to my account, as I have been applied to for
 payment of that sum which was charged in
 the contingent account of this establishment
 and which I understood from Mr Eyre
 he would direct to be received by his
 practice from the treasury

I have the honor to be
 Sir

Yours most ob. servt

C. D. Piddell Esq
 Col Treasurer

Wm. Mitchell Esq

Sydney

Melbourne 29 Dec 37

Sir

John Mofs
Jas Connell

I have the honor to enclose
convictions against the publicans named
in the margin for breach of their recognizance

I have the honor to be
Sir

The Clerk of the Peace
Sydney

Warristah P.

N^o 91

Melbourne 28 Dec 37

Sir

I have the honor to enclose an
application from Mr J. P. Fawcett respecting
a news paper or advertising sheet which
he wishes to publish, and will thank you to
inform me what regulations are required to
be observed by a printer or publisher of a news
paper and if any allowance will be granted
by the Government for publishing its notices

I will also thank you to inform me if
any license is required for printing or distilling

I have the honor to be
Sir

The Col Secy
Sydney

Yours most obd Servant

Warristah P.

Melbourne 29 Dec 1837

Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 25 Oct with its enclosures appointing
James Walker Justice in the place of Thos Smith and
regret to inform you that he who committed
himself to such an extent that I thought best but
common prudence as regarded the office
he was to fill not to let him enter upon
its duties I have already reported his conduct
for this & calling the Governor's attention to it. He not
only got drunk but exposed himself in the
most indecent manner through the town
and was in a state of intoxication for some
days after. He has gone to V. D. L. The Stewards
have been handed over by Smith to the chief
Constable until someone is appointed. I beg
to enclose the letters to Smith & Walker

The warrants for the prisoner Mullett are
returned with the correction you required

I Macquoid Esq
Sydney

I have the honor to be
Sir
Wm. Schute

Melbourne 30 Dec 37

Sir
I beg to enclose you a copy of a
communication I have received from Mr
J. Langhorne which I will thank you to reply
to at once. The rationes for next month are
forwarded to day by the day

I am
Sir

Mr J. de Villiers
Port Phillip

Your obt Servant

Wm. Schute

Dec 1837

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No 92
Sir

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Melbourne 30 Dec 37

I have the honor to enclose an application
from Mr Long of the Survey Department for allowance
of passage money from Launceston to join the
Department which I will thank you to lay before
His Ex the Governor.

Yours

J. Deas Thompson Esq
Col Sec Sydney

I have the honor to be
Sir

Wm. Schute Esq.

Melbourne 31st December 1837

Sir

I have the honor to inform you I
have this instant received information
that the man Camelford who was ex-
amined at Gaps on the 31st July last
and who gave evidence respecting
the murder of several men who
abandoned from Messrs. Hovey and
Ebden on the route to Portland Bay
has effected his escape from two
Constables and two soldiers who had
charge of him whilst he took them
once the country where the scene of the
atrocities he described were said to
lay, he was last night at Mr. Elders
Station where he demanded supplies
from one of the men and told him
he had slipped his handcuffs seized
a musquet shot one of the constables
taken the only horse they had and
made off I take the opportunity
of the overland post leaving tomorrow
to give you the earliest information
in

The Public Prosecutor
Gaps
Mr. Smith & Co

in order that the Police may be on the
look out as most probably he will make
towards your district he cannot be well
known to some of the Police at Gaps from
his having recently made himself so
conspicuous there

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedt Servant

Monrodale

P.M.

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Monrodale 31 Dec 1837

Sir

I have the honor to report for
the information of His Excellency the Governor
that I have just received information from
Mr. Gledhill overman that the Man Comber
who I had sent out according to the directions
I had received, & who was in charge of two
Constables & two Soldiers, had made his
appearance at one of the Shipheads buty last night
and demanded food he told the Man he had
slipped his handcuffs seized a Musquet shot
one of the Constables, who fell, & that he then
made his escape on the only horse they had
I have yet heard nothing more than the overman
information but as the Man is about being
made up I am writing you with what that
contains. I have also written to the P.M.
at Gaps upon the same subject that the Police
may be on the Alert, I can but regret I
have not more means here to take active
steps on occasions of this sort my only two
available constables at this time have just
returned from foraging & are unfit for
much exertion

The Hon

The Col Secy Sydney

I have the honor to be

Monrodale

B 200/131

Sir

9 Port Phillip Bay

1 Hobsons Bay

6 Shards at Entrance

The Hon

The Col Secy

Sydney

The Hon

I have the honor to be

Sir

Very respectfully

B 200/131

Melbourne 25 Sept 30

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Charter passed in the Pringle, which I will endeavor to dispose of as directed by your letter of the 12. and 26 May last.

The Hon

The Col Secy

Sydney

I have the honor to be

Sir

Very respectfully

B 200/132

Sir

Melbourne 2 Oct 30

I have the honor to enclose the returns from Mr Longhorne for the last month.

The Overseer at the Native Institution having resigned I beg to suggest that the situation be not filled up until the expiry of the Institution shall recommend the applicant. I would also recommend that the schoolmaster be discontinued as I am convinced one person can attend to every thing at present required at the institution with the assistance of the Currier several attend I have acquainted Mr Leary here that another overseer is not to be appointed until the pleasure of His Ex the Governor is known.

The Hon

The Col Secy

Sydney

I have the honor to be

Sir

Very respectfully

No 38/133

Melbourne 3^d October 1838

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Sir I have the honor to request I may be informed if the Pastorage Licenses for this district are to be issued and the money received for the next year as was directed for the Present half year.

The Hon
The Col Sec
Sydney

I have the honor to be
Sir
Wm. Melville Esq.

No 38/134

Melbourne 3^d October 1838

Sir I have the honor to represent for the consideration of His Ex^{ty} the Governor the absolute necessity of having a suitable gaol erected here immediately, a building of the sort is at the present time much required, as the place which is hired, and which is the best that can be obtained for the purpose, is not sufficiently safe or commodious and as a Court of Quarter Sessions is to be held here I am certain in a short time the accumulation of prisoners will be such as to render it a matter of difficulty to know what to do with them. I beg also strongly to recommend that a small bread mill, and solitary cells may be attached to the Gaol.

The Hon
Edw. Thomson Esq
Colonial Secy
Sydney

I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours most obt
Wm. Melville Esq.

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R^o 20/135

Melbourne 4 Oct 80

Sir

I have the honor to state that I have this day enclosed to the Colonial Treasurer the sum of one hundred & 45 pounds being the amount of pasture license which I have given for the district of Melbourne during the month of September last, I have also sent him a return of the persons who have taken out the license

I have the honor to be

Sir

Yr H^{on}ble
The Col Sec
Sydney

Melbourne 3 October 1880

Sir

I have the honor to return Mr Hills Auction Return for July with the addition you require I also enclose two pounds which I received from Mr Hill being the amount for his services here which I will thank you to send at once as he is by the present delay suffering considerable loss.

Yr H^{on}ble

I have the honor to be

The Col Treasurer

Sydney

Wm. Mansfield Esq.

R^o 20/136

Melbourne 5 October 1880

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 17 August I have the honor to state that I believe the enclosed have been generally answered by the Communication I sent on 25 and 29 August by the amount received last appears to be very abundant at Western Port and to extend from the immediate vicinity of the bay to a distance of about 12 miles with every appearance of its turning out well if worked. The carriage of land from most parts would be easy. As far as I am

understand there appears to be good anchorage
a little below the old settlement, but not higher
up, for vessels of 400 or 500 tons but cargo must
be shipped from the shore by boats as there appear
to be flats extending for some distance ^{which} would prevent
the approach of large vessels. The seam of coal near
the bay is not far from the old settlement. I
have not been able to obtain such perfect
accounts as I could wish, and I should
have been glad to have gone to Western Port
myself to have ascertained these particulars
but there is constantly so much required here
that I find it impossible to leave the town
for any length of time. I will however if possible
send some person to make more minute enquiry

The Hon

& Dear Thomson Esq

Col Sec

Belm

I have the honor to be
Merrill

W^o 30/157

In

Melbourne 5th October 1830

In answer to the information
I am called upon to give by your letter of the 29th
June 1830 relative to the Dam which was proposed
to be thrown across the River Yarra I have the
honor to state that I have paid attention
to the rise of tide opposite the town which alone
will determine the height that the dam need
be built in order to prevent the salt water from
flooding up the river, and am certain that
no land would be flooded ^{should a dam be made} ~~in consequence~~
the banks are lowest immediately above where
the dam would be placed but are there
sufficiently high to prevent their being overflowed should
any unusual fall of rain cause an extreme rise in the
river it might even now flood the flat on the opposite
side of the river in front of the town but I cannot find

