Survey Office Melbourne
August 9th 1843

No 43/104

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th Inst. stating that you had forwarded to me a plan in duplicate of the source of the East Branch of the Moorarbool River, and some of the Tributary Creeks, connecting your Survey with Assistant Surveyor Darkes by a traverse on to the Werribee, and also forwarding your reports of Progress &c. I have to state that on examining the Plans. I find neither of them in a finished state and a material difference between the two.

I therefore request you will lose no time in making them perfect as I cannot forward either to the Surveyor General until this is done,

Your reports of progress from 1st April last. I have never received. I have to call your attention to the Surveyor Generals Circular No 42/420. a copy of which you have been furnished with.

H. W. H. Smythe Esq.
Asst Surveyor.

I have the honor to be &c.
signed Robert Hoddle.

Survey Office Melbourne
Augt 9. 1843.

No 43/105

Sir,

With reference to your Honor's letter No 43/1198. dated 7 Inst. informing me, that you considered it desirable that the system authorized by law of leasing the unoccupied land within the Boundaries of Location, should as soon as practicable come into operation in this District, and requesting me to report how far the actual state of the Survey within the Counties of Bourke and Grant would admit of this being done at the end of June 1844.

I have the honor to state that I consider the proposed system might come into operation at once, as regards the parishes in the Counties of

Bourke

Bourke and Grant which have been surveyed.

I beg to propose for your Honors approval that the Lands be leased, (as measured) for twelve months, but subject to a clause being inserted in the lease making it imperative upon the party leasing to give up possession upon receiving three months notice should it be deemed expedient by the Government to resume the lands for sale or any other purpose, and to obviate the expence that would necessarily be incurred sending a written notice to each party, the intention of Government appearing in the Government Gazette shall be considered sufficient notice to the parties in possession.

His Honor.
The Superintendent

I have the honor to be &c.
signed Robert Hoddle.

Survey Office Melbourne
August 11 1843

No. 43/106,

Sir,

With reference to my letter of 9th Inst. No 43/105 in reply to your Honor's letter of the 7th August No 43/1198. I beg to state that on referring to the Government Gazette of 24 August 1841 No 68 containing the Regulations of the 21st same month relative to the leasing of Crown Lands within the Boundaries of Location I find according to the 7th clause that one months notice only is required on the Crown resuming the Land, although the period of 3 mo. would induce parties to bid a higher price for leasing unoccupied Lands.

His Honor
The Superintendent

Same Sir &c
Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
August 19th 1843

No 43/107,

Sir,

I do myself the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 43/387 dated 11th Instant reporting referring to a paragraph in Mr Smythes letter dated 7th July 1843; With reference to the avowal therein contained I beg leave to inform you that upon my return from Field duty. I pointed out to Mr Smythe that I considered it objectionable, his deviating from the Regulations regarding special surveys, a copy of the Regulations respecting the manner of marking the lands. being written upon a tracing furnished for Mr Smythes especial guidance. My objection I found however was too late. as he had forwarded the fair plan direct to you during my absence. I should have called your attention to the subject had he not informed me. that he had acted in accordance with His Honor Mr La Trobes wishes.

Enclosed is a copy of the Instructions to Messrs Townsend and Smythe as required

The Surveyor General }
Sydney — }

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle.

Survey Office Melbourne
19th August 1843

No 43/108,

Sir,

I have been directed by The Surveyor General to instruct you to proceed to Portland Bay to take the place of Mr Tyers. so that you may be at hand for the laying out of Town and Suburban Allotments &c. You will be pleased to return here without loss of time to meet Mr Tyers. who is expected here daily. and you will be furnished with his Instructions to perform his duties not completed.

Mr Asst Surveyor
William Pickering,

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle.

Survey Office Melbourne
August 19. 1843

No 43/109.

Sir,

I do myself the honor to inform you that in accordance with Instructions I received from His Honor Mr La Trobe. I wrote to Mr Smythe requesting him to bring his surveys to a close. as his services Mr La Trobe stated were to be required in another Branch of the Government. I have accordingly received his Plan of the ~~western~~ "River Moorarbool to its Source" but so incomplete that I do not feel myself warranted in transmitting it to you. and have requested Mr S. to render it complete. which so soon as he does. no time shall be lost in forwarding it to you

The Surveyor General
Sydney —

I have the honor to be &c.
signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
August 21. 1843.

No 43/110,

Sir,

I do myself the honor to transmit for your Honor's inspection the correspondence to the Surveyor General, relative to the marking out of the Special Surveys of Messrs Orr and Reeves at Corner Inlet, and a copy of the Instruction to Messrs Assistant Surveyors Townsend and Smythe.

His Honor
C. J. La Trobe Esqr

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
21 August 1843.

No 43/111,

Sir

I have to direct your immediate attention to the contents of the Surveyor Generals letter No 43/387. dated 11th August 1843. a copy of which is enclosed, I have to request you will be pleased to explain the reason of the apparent irregularity of the measurement of the Special Surveys of Messrs Orr & Reeves at Corner Inlet. as you will perceive His Excellency the Governor requires an explanation. and has called upon the Surveyor General to investigate the matter

Mr Asst Surveyor
H. W. H. Smythe.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c
signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
August 23. 1843

No 43/112.

Sir,

Your Honor having informed me that it is your wish to employ Mr Tyers to mark the alteration in Mr Orr's Special Survey at Corner Inlet. in order to avoid the expense of sending me and party to that settlement, I do myself the honor to enclose you the necessary Sketches & Instructions to enable Mr Tyers to execute that duty.

Sketches &c enclosed.

I have the honor &c &c
Signed Robert Hoddle

His Honor C. J. La Trobe Esq

Survey Office Melbourne
Aug 23. 1843.

No 43/113.

Sir,

The Surveyor General in his letter No 43/386. of 11 August 1843. having informed me that "understanding Mr Tyers is to be appointed a Commissioner of Crown Lands beyond the limits of the nineteen Counties, he has directed me to send Mr Assistant Surveyor Pickering to supply his place, Mr Pickering should receive from Mr Tyers all instructions not acted on. and all Maps and Plans which appertain to the District."

I have therefore to request your Honor will have the kindness to direct Mr Tyers to comply with the Surveyor General's Instructions to me on the subject.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c
Signed Robert Hoddle.

His Honor.
C. J. La Trobe Esq

Survey Office Melbourne
August 26. 1843

No 43/114.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the Plan of Portland. and surrounding country. by Mr Surveyor Tyers. also the Survey of the Goulbourn River to its junction with the Murray part of that River and the Campaspe by Asst. Surveyor Pickering.

The New Sydney Road from Hughes Creek to its junction with the old Road near the Violet ponds. and the Road from the Goulbourn to the Campaspe surveyed by Mr Pickering will be ready for transmission in a few days

I have the honor to be &c
Signed Robert Hoddle

The Surveyor General
&c &c &c

Survey Office Melbourne
26 August 1843

No 43/115,

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 43/362, and in accordance therewith I transmit you a Plan of the Town of Melbourne. which is under the Town Police act, and also a List of the breadths of the different Streets. viz Flinders Street, Collins Street, Bourke Street, Lonsdale Street, La Trobe Street, Spencer Street King Street William Street, Queen Street, Elizabeth Street Swanston Street Russell Street Stephen Street and Spring Street

The Breadths of the Streets in the Town of Melbourne are ninety nine feet and the Lanes thirty three feet; an encroachment of one foot has been made at the junction of William Street with Collins Street at its north side, an encroachment of one foot at the junction of Market Street with Flinders lane on the South side. and another encroachment of one foot at the North East corner of Lonsdale Street at its junction with Queen Street. Various Steps and fences have also encroached from one to two feet which may easily be removed.

With reference to New Town. which has

The Surveyor General,
Sydney }

has been named Collingwood, and has been added to the Town ~~of Melbourne~~ at the recommendation of His Honor The Superintendent it contains only two Streets of one chain wide Private property.

The extension of that part of the Town to the Eastward as shewn on the Plan, it is proposed to have the main Streets 99 feet and the Streets opposite the lanes 66 feet,

I Enclose you a description of the Town as at present defined agreable to your Instructions I beg leave to suggest the propriety of making pathways in the lanes which have become Streets which was not contemplated at the time the lanes were marked out, and were originally intended as a right of way to prevent the pavement of the principal Streets being crossed. This meets the approval of His Honor The Superintendent and the Police Magistrate whom I have consulted on the subject. and recommend that the footways should be twelve feet in the Streets. and Six feet footways in the lanes.

Description,

"Town of North Melbourne divided into four wards viz Bourke Ward. Gipps Ward. Latrobe Ward. and Lonsdale Ward including New Town County of Bourke. named Collingwood

Bounded on the North by a line bearing East two miles, a line bearing North one mile, a line bearing East half a mile, a line bearing South one mile and a line bearing East half a mile; On the East. by a line bearing South One hundred and ten Chains; On the South by the Yarra Yarra River, and on the West by a line bearing North ninety two Chains to the Commencing corner"

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
Signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
26 August 1843.

No 43/116
Sir,

With reference to a paragraph in your letter No 43/362. dated 24 July informing me that you had returned my plan in order that the several breadths of the different Streets may be figured thereon. I beg leave to state that the plan has not been received and therefore to prevent delays I have sent you by the Shamrock Steamer another with the breadths of the Streets thereon in order that no time should be lost in enabling you to lay the Plan before the Governor and Council to decide the width, of the Carriage and Footways.

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle,

The Surveyor General
Sydney.

Survey Office Melbourne
September 1. 1843.

No 43/117.
Sir,

Mr Tyers having arrived from Portland and as his stay at Melbourne will probably not exceed a fortnight, it is desirable that you should be here in about a week. in order to receive all the necessary information connected with the duties intrusted to you in the Portland Bay District

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle

Mr Asst Surveyor W Pickering.
Goulburn River.

Survey Office Melbourne
September 1. 1843

No 43/118.
Sir,

I do myself the honor to forward you Returns for the Months of April and June 1843. of Land selected under the new Regulations of 1 March 1843.

I beg to state that no land has been selected between the 1st of July and 31st of August 1843

The Surveyor General &c &c &c

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
September 1. 1843

No 43/119.

Sir

I have the honor to forward a report of the applications (Form A) received by me from parties desirous of purchasing lands in particular localities, and beg to state that copies of the same were forwarded to His Honor the Superintendent.

The Surveyor General &c &c &c

I have the honor to be &c.
signed. R Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
September 1. 1843.

No 43/120,

Sir,

His Honor the Superintendent having requested that some lands might be brought forward for sale in compliance with the provisions of the Act of Parliament 5 & 6 Victoria No 36. I have in accordance with his wishes recommended that 48 of the Allotments marked out by Mr Draftsman Nutt in February last on the East Bank of the Yarra Yarra River, (Plan & description transmitted to you by my letter of 3 Mar 1843) and some Special Country lots at Mount Clay be put up to Auction. The Plan & descriptions of the latter are daily expected pr "Sally Ann" from Portland Bay and will be forwarded without loss of time,

The Surveyor General &c &c &c

I have the honor to be
Sir &c
signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
September 2d 1843.

No 43/121.

Sir,

"Letter & documents encl."

In compliance with the Instructions contained in your letter of the 11th ult. No 43/387. I do myself the honor to forward the enclosed explanation I received from Mr Assistant Surveyor Smythe, together with the accompanying documents.

The Surveyor General &c &c &c

I have the honor to be &c
(signed) Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
September 5. 1843.

No 43/122,

Sir

"Sketches enclosed"

The Surveyor General in his letter No 43/325. dated 5 July has directed me to instruct you to proceed to Corner Inlet for the purpose of making an alteration in the Special Survey of Mr Orr.

Sketches of the Lands are herewith enclosed to guide you in that duty, and you are to confine yourself strictly to the marking of it out by the sketch furnished

Asst Surveyor Pickering &c &c &c

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle.

Survey Office Melbourne
September. 9. 1843.

No 43/123.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit the copy of an Application received from John George Robertson of Wando Vale, who is desirous of having a portion of 100 acres in the County of Normanby District of Portland, surveyed and brought forward for sale, agreeable to the regulations contained in the Government order of 1st March 1843.

His Honor,
The Superintendent,

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
September 9. 1843.

No 43/124

Sir,

His Honor The Superintendent having expressed a wish that Mr Pickering (whom you had directed to proceed to Corner Inlet to make an alteration in the Special Survey of Mr John Orr.) should accompany Mr Tyers who is about proceeding overland with a party of Border police to that settlement and mark out the most direct line of road

I have instructed that Officer to attend to his Honor's wishes.

His Honor has also informed me that Mr Smythe is to be employed as Commissioner of Crown Lands. and to be struck off the Abstract for Pay as Assistant Surveyor from the 1st. Inst.

I propose with your approbation and as soon as the weather will permit to commence the Survey of the Ranges from Mt Blackwood towards Mt Macedon shewing the features of those ranges &c as I consider they would form a good natural boundary for the County of Bourke.

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle.

The Surveyor General
&c &c

Survey Office Melbourne
Sept 9. 1843.

No 43/125.

Sir,

With reference to that portion of your letter of the 22d ult No. 43/407. calling my attention to the proclamation for Sales in the next Gazette of certain portions of ^country lots of^ land in the Parishes of Korkuperrimul and Merrimu. I have the honor to state. that none of these portions have been selected on remission or ordinary land orders.

I beg to enclose the proclamation of the

Sale

Sale on the 28th Inst which I have this day received from the Treasurers Office, with my corrections.

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle.

The Surveyor General.
&c &c &c

Survey Office Melbourne
Septr. 18. 1843.

No 43/126.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the undermentioned plans. viz of 14 Cultivation allotments situated at Mount Clay (surveyed and marked out by Mr Tyers. at the request of His Honor Mr La Trobe.) with descriptions of the same.

New Sydney road in two plans. from Hughes Creek to its junction with the old road near the Violet ponds.

Mt Macedon Road from Sydney road near Young and Nichols Inn to Ebden's old Station on the Campaspe. by Mr Pickering.

Survey of the Moorarbool to its source. by Mr Smythe.

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle.

The Surveyor General
&c &c

Survey Office Melbourne
September 18. 1843

No 43/127

Sir

I have the honor to state that I have this day forwarded per Shamrock Steamer a deal case containing the following plans viz 14 Cultivation allotments at Mt Clay surveyed by Mr Tyers. New Sydney Road (in two sheets) from Hughes Creek to its junction, with the old Sydney road near the Violet ponds. and Mt Macedon Road (in two sheets) from Sydney road near Young & Nichols Inn to Ebden's old Station on the Campaspe by Mr Pickering, and the Survey of the Moorarbool River to its source by Mr Smythe.

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle

The Surveyor General
&c &c &c

Survey Office Melbourne
Sept 18. 1843.

No 43/128,
Sir,

I have the honor to state that a Box containing a Theodolite and two Circumferentors lately used by Messrs Tyers and Kennedy at Portland, has been deposited at this Office by Mr Tyers. and request you will have the goodness to inform me whether they are to be forwarded to Sydney or kept at this Branch of your Department.

The Surveyor General
&c &c

I have the honor to be &c
(signed) Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
September 20. 1843.

No 43/129,
Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter or application of the 19th Inst for permission to purchase 250 acres. of portion 17. Parish of Bulleen and to state that, ~~according to the new Regulations it can only be complied with~~, as the land in question has never been offered for sale by auction but only open to selection your request cannot be entertained unless the quantity you wish is advertised and offered for sale agreeable to the new regulations. when you would have an opportunity of bidding.

Major C. Newman
late Madras Army.

I have the honor to be &c
(signed). Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
September 20. 1843

No 43/130,
Sir, With reference to the Honble the Colonial Secretary's letter No 43/282. dated 17 June 1843. on the subject of Mr Unwins Special Survey approved by His Excellency The Governor. I have the honor to inform you that Mr Unwins Agent had previously taken possession of the Survey as at

first marked and sold and let portions North of the Village reserve and those the portion of 1019 acres which with a frontage to the Yarra which the Executive Council recommend should form the western Boundary (of the Survey) has been taken possession of by the present Agent without relinquishing an equal portion of land and frontage to the Yarra.

I should observe that I offered in July last to mark the land with the proposed alteration, whenever the Agent could make it convenient to attend

His Honor.
The Superintendent.

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle.

Survey Office Melbourne
22d September 1843.

No 43/131,
Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 43/442. dated 14 Sept 18 43 referring to my letter No 43/120 dated 1 Inst. in which I stated that I had recommended the sale of 48 Allotments on the East bank of the Yarra.

I have no doubt that some of these portions would sell and the most eligible to be put up put up are Nos 6. 7. 8. 9. 11. 12. 13 and 21. I named the upset price, was £4. for those possessing water frontage, and £3. for the back allotments. per acre.

Several enquiries have been made for land at Mount Clay and a few might sell at the upset price of £1. per acre.

The Surveyor General
&c &c

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
23d September 1843

No 43/132,
Sir, I have the honor to enclose you a statement of work not completed by Mr Tyers, and

and have therefore to request you will direct your attention to its completion upon your return from Corner Inlet. also Letters directed to Mr Tyers from the Surveyor General No 41/114 dated 3 April 1841. and No 41/261 dated 16 Aug. 1841

Upon application to Mr Draftsman Buckley you can have any tracings that might be necessary to guide you in the Survey of the Portland Bay District

Any assistance you may require in the event of my absence from Melbourne will be given by His Honor The Superintendent to whom you must apply.

Mr Asst Surveyor
William Pickering.

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle.

Survey Office Melbourne
September 27. 1843

No 43/133.

Sir,

I beg leave to enclose your Honor a copy of a letter No 43/441. dated 14 Sept. which I have received from the Surveyor General on the subject of individual applications for land in particular localities which cannot at present be entertained

His Honor
The Superintendent

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle.

Survey Office Melbourne
September 30. 1843

No 43/134,

Sir,

In the absence of Mr Surveyor Hoddle who proceeded on Survey 26 Inst. I have the honor to enclose a Report of the Sale by auction of Crown Lands held here on the 28th Inst which you will perceive is far from satisfactory.

I take the liberty of stating that this Office being situated at the extreme end of the Town the attendance of purchasers is much smaller than if the Sales were held as formerly at the Government Auctioneers Rooms

The Surveyor General
&c &c &c.

(signed) W. H. Buckley.

No 43/135,

Survey Office Melbourne Sept 30. 1843.

Sir,

copy of No 43/475 dated 22 Sept enclosed

In the absence of Mr Surveyor Hoddle I have much pleasure in transmitting you a Copy of a letter received from the Surveyor General approving of your Surveys of the Goulburn River to its junction with the Murray, part of that River, and the Campaspe,

William Pickering Esq.

signed W. H. Buckley.

No 43/136.

Survey Office Melbourne October 10. 1843.

Sir,

In the absence of Mr Surveyor Hoddle in the field. I am directed by His Honor The Superintendent to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 43/449 dated 16th ulterio. and in attention to the instructions therein contained, I have the honor to forward a Schedule of all the Streets of the Town of Melbourne and Collingwood with the proposed breadths of the Carriage ways, footways and public places.

The authorities conferred with, consider that Flinders Street extending from Spring to King Street should remain open to the River with a footway along the North side of 12 feet. that portion of Flinders Street between King & Spencer Streets remaining 25 9 feet.

The Streets of Collingwood viz Brunswick & Gertrude Streets are considered public Streets and are to be proclaimed they are included in the Schedule. With respect to East Melbourne His Honor Mr La Trobe does not consider it necessary that these Streets should be proclaimed, and I beg you will have the goodness to allow that portion of the Plan forwarded 26 August letter No 43/115 to be either expunged or "Proposed extension of Melbourne" written across it". On consulting the Police Magistrate as requested in your letter No 43/362. he states that South Melbourne forms part

The Surveyor General
&c &c &c.

part of Melbourne to which the Police act referred. as proclaimed 5 Novr 1838 and consequently is under the jurisdiction of the Police. he perambulated the limits of North and South Melbourne the first week in Easter 1842 and shortly after (21 april 1842) the limits were extended so as to include Collingwood, I have therefore enclosed a description of that part of Melbourne alienated including Collingwood and a description of each seperately corresponding with that used in the act incorporating the Inhabitants (Col Secy letter dated 10 January. No 43/23) and to guard as much as possible against any further delay. I have left the length of the western Boundary line of North Melbourne in pencil there being an error of two chains as stated in Mr Hoddles letter of 27 Feb last. The limits of North and South Melbourne I have prepared seperately and also under one ie "Melbourne"

I am not certain whether the narrow Streets such as Little flinders Street &c. were named on the Plan. but as the authorities wish them to be proclaimed I have included them in the schedule and hope what I have done. may meet with your approval. signed W. H. Buckley

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No 43/137.

Survey Office Melbourne Oct. 10. 1843

Sir,

In attention to your letter of the 27ult. No 43/482. I have the honor to inform you that the Box left by Mr Tyers. has been forwarded p Shamrock Steamer in the care of Mr John Carfrae who proceeds to Sydney in her as a passenger. signed W. H. Buckley

The Surveyor General

Copy of Schedules & descriptions referred to. in Letter No 43/136.

Schedule of the Streets of North Melbourne & Collingwood. with the proposed breadths of the Carriage ways footways. and public places

Name of Street, or public place.	Carriageway.	Each footway.	Total
In Melbourne (North)			
Flinders Street (between King & Spencer St)	235 feet	12 feet	259.
Do. (between King & Spring Streets)	Open to the Yarra	Footway of 12 feet along the N. S. of Street.	
Collins Street.	75 feet	12	99
Bourke Street	75	12	99
Lonsdale Street	75	12	99
La Trobe Street	75	12	99
Spring Street	75	12	99
Stephen Street	75	12	99
Russell Street	75	12	99
Swanston Street	75	12	99
Elizabeth Street	75	12	99
Queen Street	75	12	99
William Street	75	12	99
King Street	75	12	99
Spencer Street	75	12	99
Market Street	75	12	99
Church Street	69-9	12	93.9
Little Flinders Street	23	5	33
Little Collins Street	23	5	33
Little Bourke Street	23	5	33
Little Lonsdale Street.	23	5	33.
			A. R. P.
General Market	313 . 6 in length	231 in breadth	1.2.26.
Hay & Corn Market.	330. "	313.6 "	2.1.20.
In Collingwood			
Brunswick Street	42	12	66
Gertrude Street.	42	12.	66.

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Survey Office Melbourne Oct 10. 1843. –

Descriptions.

Parish of North Melbourne County of Bourke. bounded on the North by a line bearing East 240 chains being distant one mile from the centre of Batmans Hill extending two miles East to its North East corner. On the East by a line bearing South 110 chains, On the South by the Yarra Yarra River and on the West by a line bearing North 92x chains to its North West corner.

x 4 in pencil

The Suburb of New Town otherwise called "Collingwood" consisting of 320 acres. County of Bourke

Bounded on the South by the parish boundary line of Melbourne being a line bearing East 40 chains. On the East by a road of One chain wide which seperates it from Suburban Allotments. Nos. 52. 68. 81.^{2} 73^1 & 86. being a line bearing North 80 chains, On the North by a road of one chain wide, which seperates it from Crown Land being a line bearing West 40 chains. and on the West by a road of One chain wide being a line bearing South 80 chains.

The Police Act. extended to Collingwood 22 Janr. and included in limits of North Melbourne 22 ap. 42.

Town of North Melbourne divided into four Wards. viz Bourke Ward. Gipps Ward. La Trobe Ward. and Lonsdale Ward including New Town County of Bourke named Collingwood.

Bounded on the North by a line bearing East two miles, a line bearing North one mile. a line bearing East half a mile. a line bearing South One mile and a line bearing East half a mile

On the East by a line bearing South 110 Chains On the South by the Yarra Yarra River and on the West by a line bearing North ninety (four in pencil). 94 chains to the commencing corner.

Parish of South Melbourne. County of Bourke

Bounded on the East by the Continuation of the East boundary of the parish of North Melbourne bearing South 299 Chains. On the South by Hobson's Bay On the North by the Yarra Yarra River. and on the West by the continuation of the West boundary of North Melbourne to Hobson's Bay

"Melbourne"

County of Bourke. Bounded on the North by a line bearing East ~~half a~~ two miles. being distant 1 mile from the centre of Batmans Hill. a line bearing North one mile

a line bearing East half a mile. a line bearing South one mile and a line bearing East half a mile.

On the East by a line bearing South 110 Chains to the Yarra Yarra River: thence to the opposite bank. and continued South 299 chains to Hobsons Bay.

On the South by Hobsons Bay. and on the West by a line bearing South from the North west corner 94 (four in pencil) to the Yarra Yarra River, thence to the opposite bank and continued South to Hobsons Bay. -

sent by Shamrock Steamer 10 Oct 1843.

No 43/138.

Survey Office Melbourne
October 14. 1843

Sir,

I have the honor to ~~inform~~ forward you a Plan. shewing the Allotments marked on each side of the (Goulburn) Crossing Place. (at the Goulburn River in original) by Mr assistant Surveyor Pickering at the request of Mr Hoddle, many persons having expressed their desire to purchase Allotments in the Township

Plan of enclosed.

With regard to the name, His Honor Mr La Trobe requests me to state that the Plan of the Town at the old crossing place of the Goulburn having been cancelled, he considers "Mitchells Town" would be the most appropriate name. and in the event of the Plan meeting your approval. and you should consider it desirable to have a portion of the Allotments advertised for sale. descriptions are preparing and will be forwarded by the first opportunity.

The Surveyor General.

Signed W. H. Buckley.

Survey Office Melbourne
October 16. 1843

No 43/139.

Sir

In accordance with the Instructions received from the Surveyor General (a copy of which I annex) I have the honor to request you will hand over

to this Office with as little delay as possible,
all fieldbooks. plans. letters of Instruction and
other Official documents which have been placed
in your possession during the time you have
been an officer of the Surveyor Generals Depart-
H W H Smythe Esq ment ~ signed W. H. Buckley for R Hoddle

No 43/140, October, 16. 1843.

Sir, In accordance with the Instruction,
received from the Surveyor General (a copy of which
I enclose,) I have the honor to request you will
hand over to this Office with as little delay as
O field Books &c. possible all Field books. plans. letters of
Instruction and other Official documents which
have been placed in your possession during the
C. J. Tyers Esq time you have been an officer of the Surveyor
Com C Lands. Generals department. signed W H Buckley
Corner Inlet. for R Hoddle

No 43/141, October 21. 1843.

Sir, I have the honor to transmit
Reports of Progress from 1st July to 30 September
1843. received from Mr Assistant Surveyor
Surveyor General. Pickering. signed W. H. Buckley

No 43/142, October 28. 1843.

Sir, I have the honor to transmit
the descriptions (received from Mr Asst Surveyor
Pickering) of Thirty two Town Allotments at the
Crossing place of the Goulburn River

I beg to state that Mr Pickering and
party were obliged to return from Western Port
on the 17th Inst. and are now proceeding to Corner
Inlet (Gipps land in original) by the Ovens and
The Surveyor General King Rivers. signed W H Buckley
(Mr Hoddle returned Oct 31 1843)

No 43/143. November 2d 1843

"return enclosed" Sir, In attention to your Honors letter
No 43/1550. dated 30th ult. I have the honor to enclose

a Return of all Convicts in the Employment of the
His Honor, Port Phillip Branch of the Surveyor Generals Depart-
C. J. La Trobe Esq ment. signed Robert Hoddle

No 43/144, Survey Office Melbourne Nov. 2d 1843.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter
No 43/494. dated 6 October which I received whilst on
survey, intimating His Excellency's regret that the Salary
and allowances to any Officer or person employed in
your Department would cease after the 31st of December
next. I have to request the favor of being informed
whether it is intended to throw me upon the wide world
without remuneration for past services. after 20 years
laborious service,

I have to observe that his Honor the Super-
intendent has directed me to remeasure Unwin's
Special Survey and also to subdivide some lands.
The Surveyor Genl. before returning the Convicts to the Police Magistrate
Sydney. signed Robert Hoddle

No 43/145 Survey Office Melbourne Nov 2 1843.

Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the
receipt of your letter of the 19th ult. informing me that
Mr Alexander Skene has been nominated by the
District Council to the appointment of Surveyor. sub-
ject to the approval of the Board, and beg to state
that immediately on my return from marking out
some lands. on the South side of the Yarra, I will
appoint a certain day for Mr Skene's Examination.
The Warden of the Geelong Dist Council. signed Robert Hoddle

No 43/146 Survey Office Melbourne Nov 2d 1843.

Sir, I have the honor to transmit my Report
of Progress for the month of October. the previous months
being employed in the Office at Melbourne.

I have surveyed the Ranges & Gullies
from Mount Blackwood to Mount Macedon, and
The Surv General as soon as I have completed duties ordered by His
Sydney. Honor

Honor the Superintendent, shall transmit you a Plan of it. I regret being recalled on this interesting line of duty. signed Robert Hoddle.

No 43/147, Survey Office Melbourne Nov 4. 1843

Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 43/519. dated 23d ulto requesting I would forward two Sextants to Head Quarters. I beg to state that two Sextants were applied for on the 28 July 1840 by Mr Townsend then in charge of this Branch of your Department which were never received, nor are there any in this Office.

The Field Books. a Theodolite Stand of Mr Tyers. which was overlooked. a stand of a Theodolite sent by me to Sydney to be repaired but not returned, and all unserviceable Instruments I shall take the first safe and economical opportunity of forwarding. signed Robert Hoddle.

The Surveyor General
Sydney.

No 43/152, Survey office Melbourne Nov 11th 1843

Sir. I have the honor to communicate to your Honor that I have received intimation from the Surveyor General, in his letter No 496 dated 6 Octr, that His Excellency regrets that it is out of his power to guarantee the salary or allowance to any officer, or person, employed in the Department after the 31 December next.

As Officers. of the Department have already been provided for and others retained. I most respectfully but strongly urge upon His Excellency's notice, the hardship of my case. by being deprived of my situation as Senior Surveyor. after 20 years service in the Surveyor Generals Department in New South Wales. I should observe that I formerly held the rank of Royal Military Surveyor and Draftsman in the Ordnance Department for nearly ten years, and assistant Engineer at the Cape of Good Hope, so that I have been upwards of thirty years. actively employed

in

in the Public Service, Three years ago being in indifferent health I applied to His Excellency the Governor for a retiring allowance. who informed me that there was no such provision except in the case of a Reduction in the Department, and the regulation was, (which His Excellency Sir George Gipps condescended to read to me) "that for every five years an allowance or gratuity was given of one years salary". upon this regulation I presume I am entitled to the sum of Two thousand Pounds. I therefore request the favor of your Honor's support and application to His Excellency the Governor. to grant me this sum or an equivalent appointment, I should further observe that from unforeseen circumstances my private resources have been taken away by the failure of Banks. I have the honor to be &c

signed Robert Hoddle.

His Honor
C. J. La Trobe Esqr

No 43/148, Camp on the Yarra Yarra 7 Novr 1843

Sir, Referring to your letter dated 6 Octr No 43/494 informing me of His Excellency the Governor's regret, that he cannot guarantee the salary and allowances of any officer employed in your Department after 31st December next. I request the favor of being informed whether my personal services will be dispensed with upon sending in my Party to the Police Magistrate.

As I have heard that some parties my Junior in the Department will be retained, I most humbly but strongly urge the hardship of my long service (20 years last September,) being overlooked, whilst my Juniors more particularly in this Branch of your Department have already been provided for.

I regret that my private resources are much reduced by unforeseen circumstances and after a life of upwards of 30 years in the Public Service I think it hard to be thrown upon the tender mercies of the World.

With

Lt Col. Sir Thomas Mitchell
Surveyor General

With the hope that you will make some interest on my behalf

I have the honor &c &c

Signed Robert Hoddle.

No 43/149. Survey Office Melbourne Nov. 11. 1843

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit a Plan, and description of the Special Survey of Mr Unwin (5120 acres) which I have recently marked (in accordance with the minute of the Executive Council transmitted with the Honble The Colonial Secretary, letter No 43/282 dated 17 June 1843) and which has met with the approval of His Honor the Superintendent

I have to observe that parties are in possession of the land as formerly marked above the Village Reserve and I should recommend that before Mr Unwin is put in possession of the land now included in this Special Survey viz Portion No 1 containing 1019 acres, and a new deed of Grant is issued, that the above portion be relinquished and the Crown Commissioner will then be instructed to remove the occupants of the land so relinquished.

The Surveyor General. Signed Robert Hoddle

No 43/150. Survey Office Melbourne Nov 11. 1843

Sir,

With reference to the Government Gazette No 64. of 1 August 1843. containing Notice from Colonial Secretary's Office dated 26 July. 1843. declaring the Village of Richmond to be within the operation of the Act which permits the sale of Beer, at places so declared in quantities not less than two Gallons,

I have the honor to transmit a plan shewing the proposed boundaries of the Village of Richmond. together with a description for approval

The Surveyor General. Signed Robert Hoddle.

No 43/151. Survey Office Melbourne Nov 14. 1843

Sir, With reference to the application made to your Honor by Messrs Locke & Spencer requesting Government aid towards the repairs of the road from Melbourne to Pentridge, and in answer to your Honor's minute thereon of this date enquiring what is the course to be pursued with regard to public and Government lines of road. whether they are to be cared for by the Government or left to the District Councils. I have the honor to state that the Road from Melbourne to the Parish of Kalkallo (passing through Pentridge) was made a Parish Road Notice dated Colonial Secretary's Office Nov. 14. 1840. and under the Act of Council 4 Victoria No 12. intituled "an Act to provide for the making and repairing of Parish Roads." Trustees were I believe appointed. whose duties will, I presume by the 42c Clause of the 5th & 6th Victoria Cap. 76. devolve on the District Council. Signed in abs. of Mr Hoddle –

dated 13 Novr

Gov Gazette Nov 18. 1840.

His Honor C. J La Trobe Esqr

No 43/153. Melbourne Nov. 14. 1843

Sir, I have the honor to enclose to Your Honor the copy of a letter received from the Honorable The Colonial Secretary, dated 30 Sept. 1843 appointing me President of a Board to examine and report on the qualifications of candidates for the Office of Surveyor to any of the District Councils and the copy of a letter received from the Warden of the Grant District Council.

His Honor C. J La Trobe Esqr. Signed Robert Hoddle

No 43/154. Survey Office Melbourne Nov 18. 1843

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a Plan of the subdivision of Portion No 17 in the Parish of Bulleen in accordance with the Honble The Colonial Secretary's letter to His Honor The Superintendent No $\frac{43}{402}$ dated 14 Octr 1843. also the descriptions of these Special Country lots which I have no doubt will find a ready market.

I beg to observe that the above portion No 17 containing

The Surveyor General

864

864 acres more or less. was thrown open to selection on the 8th October 1841. as Lot 11. under the Regulations of 21 January 1841. Signed Robert Hoddle—

Survey Office Melbourne
Novr. 18. 1843.

No 43/155,
Sir

I have the honor to enclose a list of persons. residing on land near Majikurunun and the portion of Mr Unwin's Special Survey which is to be surrendered—

List enclosed

His Honor C J La Trobe Esqr

Signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
21 November 1843

No 43/156.

In compliance with the Request contained in your letter to me of 19th ult. I beg to state that a Board assembled at this Office this day to examine, and report on the qualification of Mr Alexander John Skene for the Office of Surveyor. and have to enclose the necessary Certificate. Signed Robt Hoddle Pres.

Certificate enclosed

R. G. Talbot Esqr
Warden Grant C.C.

No 43/155. B. Survey Office Melb. 22 Nov 1843

Sir, I beg to forward to you. a tracing from Sketch of some of the sources of the River Goulburn shewing Mr Tyers' track across the Ranges.

Tracing enclosed

The Surveyor General—

Signed. R Hoddle

No 43/157. Survey Office Melbourne. Novr 25-1843

Sir, I have the honor to enclose copies of letters relative to the alteration of Mr Orr's Special Survey at Corner Inlet and to inform your Honor. that as Mr Tyers was about proceeding overland to Gipps Land, it was arranged that Mr Asst Surveyor Pickering and party should accompany him.

Messrs. Orr. & Reeves' Special Surveys were measured at the same time by Mr Smythe. but Mr Orr afterwards obtained permission to have his Survey altered,

February 1843.

His Honor
The Superintendent,

Signd. R Hoddle

No 43/158. Survey Office Melbourne Novr. 25-1843

Sir

I have the honor to enclose a tracing from Mr Stapletons Map of the Sydney Road. it being the only one in the Office with the road laid down. which I hope will answer the purpose. Signed W H Buckley. for R Hoddle

Mr Asst Surveyor Pickering

No 43/159. Survey Office Melbourne Dec. 1. 1843

Sir In accordance with your letter No 43/345 dated 17 July 1843. I have the honor to forward a Return shewing the Land selected between the 1st and 30 November 1843. in the Port Phillip District. Signed R. Hoddle.

Surveyor General.

No 43/160 Survey Office Melbourne Dec. 2d 1843

Sir

I herewith transmit a Plan shewing the features of the Country between Mount Macedon Mount Blackwood. and the Plains also the tributaries of the Werribee It was my intention to have ~~surveyed~~ completed a survey of the Mount Macedon Ranges. but have been twice recalled by His Honor The Superintendent. when on the ground

Col Sir T. Mitchell Knt.

Signed Rob Hoddle.

No 43/161. Survey Office Melbourne Dec. 2d 1843

Sir. I beg to state that the following numbers of the Government Gazettes are required to complete the files of 1842. and 1843

No. 36. 50. 52. 58. 64. 76. and 77. of 1842
No 28 of 1843. and have the honor to request that the above numbers may be forwarded.

The files for 1841. are so very incomplete the No from 2 to 4. 6 to 13, 15 to 17. 19. 21. to 31. 33 to 35. 37 to 41 43. 45. 47 to 51. never having been received and it would be now very difficult to replace them

The Surveyor General

Signed R. Hoddle

No 43/162.

Survey Offe Melbourne Dec 2 1843

Sir, In compliance with your Instructions contained in Letter No 43/149 dated 6 March 1843. I have the honor to transmit my report of progress from 1 to 30 Nov 1843

signed R Hoddle.

The Surveyor General

No 43/163.

S. O. Melbourne. Decr 13. 1843

Sale 13 Decr 1843

Sir, I have the honor to forward a Report of the Sale, of Suburban Allotments in the Parish of Boroondara, held at this Office at 11 AM this day

signed Robert Hoddle.

The Surveyor General.

Survey Office Melbourne

No 43/164.

December 16. 1843.

Sir,

With reference to Mr Geoghegans letter to your Honor. of the 11th Instant. notifying his ~~having~~ selection of a small portion of land at Williams Town. (between Allotm 3 and 4) upon which to locate a temporary Chapel for the use of the Roman Catholics of Williams Town and its vicinity and which is to be so occupied as long as it may be the pleasure of the Government to grant leave. and ~~your~~ in reply to your Honor's minute thereon of the 14th Inst. I have the honor to state. that I see no objection to this arrangement. it being understood that the Chapel is to be taken away whenever required

I have &c. signd R. Hoddle

His Honor
C. J. La Trobe Esq

Survey Office Melbourne.

No 43/165.

December. 18 1843

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the copy of a letter which I received from the Surveyor General on the 9th Inst, and beg you will have the goodness to afford me the information required at your earliest convenience.

No 43/559 dated Nov 30. 1843

I have the honor to be &c

signed Robert Hoddle.

C. J. Tyers Esqr
Crown Commissioner Gipps land.

Survey Office Melbourne

No 43/166.

December 19. 1843.

Sir,

of an application I have the honor to enclose the copy of an application for permission to purchase a portion of unsurveyed land on the River Crawford District of Portland agreeably to the Regulations contained in the Government order of 1 March 1843

Daniel O'Neill 100 acres.

I have the honor to be &c

signed Robert Hoddle.

His Honor
C. J. La Trobe Esqr

Survey Office Melbourne.

No. 43/167.

23d December 1843.

Sir,

His Honor The Superintendent having directed me to remeasure the Special Survey (5120 Acres) of Mr Elgar in accordance with the minute of the Executive Council as communicated by The Honble The Colonial Secretary, letter dated 14 October No 43/483 I therefore do myself the honor to transmit a Plan and description of the same. I suggest that the land as recently measured should not be given up before the land as at first measured is surrendered. There appears to be but one occupier on it of the name of James Shanley

I have the honor to be &c

signed Robert Hoddle.

The Surveyor General
&c &c &c (Description see draft).

Survey Office Melbourne

No 43/168.

23 December 1843

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit a Tracing and description of the Special Survey (5120 acres) of Mr Elgar. as recently measured by me in accordance with the minute of the Executive Council communicated by the Honble The Colonial Secretarys letter No 483. dated 11 Oct 1843. and enclosed with your Honors minute dated 7 Dec. 1843

I suggest that the land as recently measured should not be given up before the land as formerly measured is surrendered

His Honor.
The Superintendent

acres. There appears to be but one occupant on it of the name of James Shanley

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
23 December 1843.

No 43/169.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 30th ult No 43/559. I have the honor to state that not being able to give any information on the subject I applied to Mr Tyers. and beg to enclose his answer which I received this day

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle

The Surveyor General
&c &c &c

Survey Office Melbourne
23 December 1843.

No 43/170.

Gentlemen,

The Surveyor General having in his letter of the 2d inst No 43/562. conveyed to me His Excellency The Governor's approval of the appropriation of the usual extent of land for the use of the Wesleyan Community at Geelong in the situation chosen by them namely. Allotments 1. 2. 3. and 20 of Section No 25. I have to request you will inform me which of the allotments you would wish appropriated as the site for a Church and which for a School and Ministers Dwelling

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle—

The Wesleyan Church Committee
Geelong—

Survey Office Melbourne
December 28. 1843

No 43/171

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th July last. requesting I would obtain the Governors. authority that two Special Country Lots containing 80 acres each in the District of Portland may be

put up for sale agreeably to the Regulations contained in the Government order of 1 March 1843. and have now to convey to you the regret of the local Government that your application cannot be attended to under present circumstances.

I have &c signed R. Hoddle

George Claridge Esq Portland.

Survey Office Melbourne
28 December 1843

No 43/172

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25 August last. requesting I would obtain the Governor's authority that a Special Country Lot containing 100 acres near the River Wandoo in the District of Portland. may be put up for sale agreeably to the Regulations contained in the Government order of 1 March 1843. and have now to convey to you the regret of the Local Government that your application cannot be attended to under present circumstances.

I have &c. signed Robert Hoddle

John George Robertson Esqr Wandoo Vale.

Survey Office Melbourne.
28 December 1843.

No 43/173

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17 Novr last, requesting I would obtain the Governor's authority that a Special Country Lot. on the River Crawford in the District of Portland. containing 100 acres may be put up for Sale. agreeably to the Regulations contained in the Government Order of 1 March 1843. and have now to convey to you. the regret of the local Government that your application cannot be attended to under present circumstances.

I have &c. Signed Robert Hoddle—

Mr Daniel O'Neill. Crawford Inn.

Survey Office Melbourne
30 December 1843

No 43/174.

Sir.

His Honor The Superintendent having requested (in his letter No 43/1811. dated 27 Inst.) I would give you the fullest information to enable you to run the new lines of Mr Orr's Special Survey at Corner Inlet. I have the honor to forwarded the Instructions received from the Surveyor General and a tracing shewing the proposed boundary of the Survey. also a Chain circumferentor and Stand.

I have &c Signed R. Hoddle

Charles J Tyers Esq
Commissioner Gipps' Land.

Survey Office Melbourne
30 December 1843.

No 43/175.

Sir,

In attention to your letter No 43/579 dated 22d Inst directing me to inform you what lands and Suburban and Town allotments should be ~~fwd~~ brought forward for sale in March 1844, I do myself the honor to recommend that Allotments Nos 30. 31. 32. 33 34. 35; 36. and 37 in the Parish of Doutta Galla should again be offered for sale at the reduced upset price of £2. per acre. and a few allotments would sell on each side of the Goulburn as marked by Mr Pickering. it is probable they might at a future time fetch a better price. and therefore it is for your consideration what it is expedient to offer these Town Allotments at.

With regard to Country lands, allotments 1 and 2 of Portion 17 in the Parish of Bulleen. and Nos 6. 8 and 9 of Portion 5, in the Parish of Nillumbik are the only lots likely to suit the present depressed times.

I have &c Signed R. Hoddle.

The Surveyor General.

Survey Office Melbourne
30 Decr 1843

No. 43/176.

Sir,

Referring to a paragraph in your letter No 43/407 dated 22d August. respecting Mr Kemps Surveys of allotments at Doutta Galla which have been represented to you to be incorrect. I beg leave to inform you that it was my intention to have made a running Survey to test the accuracy of former surveys. on my return from Mount Macedon, had I not been recalled from this duty and my men returned into the Government Stockade.

Before a complete Map of this District can be made a Base must be measured and the irregularities of the ground be reduced and proper reductions allowed for. There is one circumstance that I presume cannot have escaped your observation, the distance of Station Peak from Melbourne according to Mr Darkes Chain Survey is rather less than 30 miles, whereas Mr Tyers by observation makes the distance above 30½ miles. It is therefore evident that the distance is less than either when the irregular surface is levelled. an approximation to the true distance could be made with little trouble as the Country consists of open plains.

I have &c Signed R Hoddle

The Surveyor General.

Survey Office Melbourne
December 30. 1843

No 43/177.

Sir

I have the honor to report the arrival return of Mr Pickering. who accompanied Mr Commissioner Tyers. for the purpose of proceeding to Corner Inlet overland.

They have not succeeded after two ineffectual attempts. and await the report of Mr Pickering on the subject. Mr Tyers has been instructed to mark the alteration of Mr Orr's Special Survey as this duty requires to be done as speedily and at as little expence to the Government as possible

I have &c Signed R Hoddle

The Surveyor General.

Survey Office Melbourne
30 December 1843.

No 43/178.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 43/575 dated 18 Inst. enclosing a copy of Mr Dacre's letter to you of the 12 Decr respecting Mr Elgar's Special Survey at Port Phillip together with an extract from the minute of Council on the subject which has received the Governor's approval. and have the honor to state that I have remeasured this Special Survey in accordance with the minute of the Executive Council as communicated by the Honble The Colonial Secretary's letter dated 14 Oct 1843 No 43/483. and transmitted a Plan & description of the same on the 25 Inst

I have &c Signed R. Hoddle

The Surveyor General

No. Survey Office Melbourne
September 11. 1843.

Sir.

Your letter to Mr McArthur has been referred to this Office, and I am sorry to say that we possess no information, the description and original plan being sent to Sydney.

I expect Mr Smythe back from the Country who I am certain although not on our strength now (being Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Murray District, will be happy to afford you information. I will therefore keep the letter open.

Sept 18. Mr Smythe has returned and I am sorry to say we cannot find the Field Book. but I expect it has been forwarded to Sydney.

I have marked down at the South Boundary the ∡ bearings to stakes, and Mr S. states the marks along the side lines were perfectly fresh, when he was on the ground about 12 months ago. Sd ~~R Hoddle~~

Survey Office Melbourne
January 6. 1844

No. 44/1.

Sir,

In compliance with the Instructions contained in your letter No. 43/149 dated 6 March 1843 I have the honor to transmit my Report of Progress for the month of December 1843.

I have the honor to be &c.
Signed R. Hoddle.

The Surveyor General
&c. &c. &c.

Survey Office Melbourne
January 7. 1844

No. 44/2

Sir, In compliance with your letter No. 44/15. dated 2d Instant requesting I would forward a Return of the state of the Survey Department in this District at the close of last month. I have the honor to enclose for your Honors information the following returns, viz

Return of Officers and present Stations
Return of Convicts attached to this Branch
Report of Board of Survey on Instruments and Field apparatus.
Report of Board of Survey on Stores &c.

Signed Robert Hoddle.

His Honor.
The Superintendent.

Survey Office Melbourne
January. 7. 1844

No. 44/3

Sir,

I do myself the honor to transmit herewith the following Returns. shewing the state of your Department in this District at the close of last month. viz

Return of Officers and present Stations
Return of Convicts attached to this Branch
4 Report of Board of Survey on Stores &c.
3 Report of Board of Survey on Instruments & field apparatus

signed Robert Hoddle

The Surveyor General
Sydney.

Survey Office Melbourne
January 11. 1844.

No. 44/4.

Sir, I have the honor to transmit you a plan

(and description of the Land applied for by the Wesleyan Community at Geelong as marked. and the particular Allotments selected for a Church. School and Ministers Dwelling)

The Surveyor General
&c.. &c.. &c..

I have the honor to be &c
signed Robert Hoddle.

Description

Land for Wesleyan Church, School, and Ministers Dwelling, at Geelong containing Two Acres.
Allotments. Nos 1. 2. 3. and 20 of Section No 25.

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Allotmt. 2 & 20. Section No 25. Land for Church containing One Acre. Bounded on the North by Ryrie Street being a line bearing South 79° East (100) one hundred links. On the East by Allotment No 1 being a line bearing S 11° W 250 links. and S 79 E 200 links and also by Yarrow Street being a line bearing South 11° West (250) Two hundred and fifty links, On the South by a lane of Fifty links wide being a line bearing North 79° West (300) Three hundred links and on the West by No 3 allotment being a line bearing North 11° East (500) Five hundred links.

Allotment No 3. Land for School containing half an acre, Bounded on the North by Ryrie Street being a line bearing South 79° East (100) one hundred links, On the East by Allotments Nos 2 ~~and 20~~. being a line bearing South 11° West (500) five hundred links. On the South by a lane of fifty links wide being a line bearing North 79° West (100) One hundred links. and on the West by No 4 Allotment being a line bearing North 11° East (500) Five hundred links.

Allotment No 1. Land for Minister's Dwelling containing half an acre Bounded on the North by Ryrie Street being a line South 79° East (200) two hundred links. On the East by Yarrow Street being a line bearing South 11° West 250) Two hundred and fifty links, On the South by Allotment No 20 being a line bearing North 79° West (200) two hundred links. and on the West by part of Allotment No 2 being a line bearing North 11° East 250 links.

Memo Descriptions arranged. Ministers Dwelling Church & School.

No 44/5. Survey Office Melbourne 13 Jany 44

Sir, I have the honor to enclose you a Copy of a letter addressed to the Surveyor General No 43/175 dated 30 December 1843. in reply to his calling ~~call~~ upon me to name Lands for Sale next March.

I have to observe that applications for Lands in particular localities are frequently made which cannot be at present entertained. but I have recommended the parties to make the regular application as directed in the Land Regulations. in order that they may be forwarded for

His Honor
The Superintendent. Consideration. - I have the honor to be &c signed R Hoddle

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No 44/6, B. January. 20. 1844.

Sir, With reference to my letter No 44/3. dated 7 Inst. transmitting the Report of Board of Survey on the Stores &c in my charge I have the honor to request you will be pleased to inform me. whether the Stores which are declared unserviceable are to be sold, and whether the other Departments in this District may be supplied from the Serviceable and repairable Stores on requisitions made to. and approved of by. his Honor the Superintendent the various articles being valued by a Board of Officers. and the amount credited

To.
The Surveyor General. to this Branch of your Department.

signed Robert Hoddle

No 44/6. A. January. 13th 1844

Sir, I have the honor to state that frequent applications are made at this Office for lands in particular localities to be brought forward for Sale which cannot be at present entertained. also for portions on the Yarra Yarra in the parish of Boroondara. for allotments remaining unsold on the East bank of the Yarra Yarra and Koorongkoot Creek and those forfeited at St Kilda.

I therefore beg to suggest that as the Suburban lots cannot by the Regulations be selected. that they be brought forward at the March Sale to enable applicants to suit themselves.

The Surveyor General
&c &c &
Sydney

signed R. Hoddle

No 44/7 B   January 25 1844

Sir,   I have the honor to enclose you a Plan and description of Mr Orr's Special Survey, as recently marked by Mr Tyers. and I have also sent you a complete description to enable Mr Orr to obtain a Title to the Same, Mr Tyers description being incomplete   signed Robert Hoddle

The Surveyor General
&c. &c. &c.

No 44/7 B.A   January 20, 1844

Sir   I do myself the honor to transmit a Return of the Port Phillip Branch of your Department from 1st January to 31 Decr 1843 a Return of the number of acres surveyed during that period, the quantity of land sold and the number of acres of waste land surveyed at present remaining for the market

The Surveyor General   signed Robert Hoddle.

No. 44/8.   January 26. 1844

Sir,   I beg leave to enclose a letter I received yesterday from Mr Commissioner Tyers, dated 13th Inst No 2/44. in answer to mine of the 16 October No 43/140. and have the honor to state that as soon as I receive the letters of Instruction and rough plan of the District of Portland Bay which are mentioned in Mr Tyers letter, they will be forwarded to Head Quarters, with all the Field. Books Plans and Official Documents at present in this Office.

The Surveyor General.   Signed Robert Hoddle.

No 44/9   January 27, 1844

Sir,   With reference to Mr Dacres' letter dated Sydney 13 January 1844 directed to your Honor on the subject of the remeasurement of Mr Elgar's Special Survey in which that gentleman appears to have been misinformed by his Agent that I offered to measure the land on the Yarra Yarra for I distinctly informed his Agent Mr Peppercorne that I could not comply with his request and should adhere most strictly to the minute of the Executive Council, which I have done.

With respect to the boundary of the Kooning Kooning Creek I beg leave to inform your Honor that there are two Channels the northern one is the deepest. The Southern which I have taken as Mr Elgars boundary. might if crossed only be a subject of dispute,

In conclusion I beg leave to state that I have had no communication with Messrs Atkinson and McLaren since I measured the Special Survey of Mr Elgar and consequently the assertion contained in Mr Dacres letter is a misstatement nor has Mr Atkinson's overwhelming influence had any effect on me.

His Honor.
The Superintendent   signed Robert Hoddle

No 44/10.   January 27. 1844.

Sir,   I have the honor to enclose one of the applications lately received by me for two portions of land in the parish of Boroondara a little to the westward of Elgars Special Survey and beg to await your decision thereon,

The Surveyor General.   signed Robert Hoddle.
&c. &c. &c.

No 44/11   January 27. 1844.

Sir,   I do myself the honor to transmit a Return of the Port Phillip Branch of your Department from 1st January to 31 Decr 1843 with an amended statement of land sold and money received, an error having occurred in the Return forwarded by my letter No 44/7 dated 20 Inst, the amount of purchase money received in the District being stated as £389. 8. 3 only.

The Surveyor General.   signed Robert Hoddle.
&c. &c. &c.

No 44/12.   February 1. 1844

Sir,   I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 44/15 dated 23d January, enclosing a letter from Mr Dacre. as Agent for Mr Elgar relative to the alteration made in Elgar's Special Survey. and complaining that I have acted unfair towards him in the measurement

I should observe that Mr Urwein's was the first selection and the first who obtained permission to have the land altered nearer Melbourne and it stated in the piece applied for. 1019 acres. According to the plan transmitted the Creek surveyed by Mr Nutt did not shew that there were two Embochures of Koonung Koonung into the Yarra Yarra and upon calculating the area. I found ~~it~~ to make the piece of land 1019 acres it was necessary to take the Southern embochure instead of the northern. the former is certainly the deepest at the Yarra. the fact is in wet seasons the whole of the north west corner. where the waters discharges itself into the Yarra Yarra is a sheet of water, and in ordinary winter seasons a lagoon. Koonung Koonung Creek as it is called is nothing more than a chain of brackish water holes. and if I had not been solely guided by Instructions received I should have certainly ventured to recommend that a portion should have been reserved adjoining the Special Survey of Mr Elgars to compensate for its inferiority to the Special Survey adjoining it. to have access to good water. His Honor the Superintendent has informed me. he is going to propose to His Excellency the Governor. that Mr Elgar be allowed a portion on the Yarra of ten chains to be cut off the Eastern or Southern boundary according to the quantity granted in water frontage on its western Boundary,

Until I receive further orders. I cannot return you the Plans. and descriptions amended. and if you deem it necessary will resurvey the whole of Mr Urwein's Survey as in the first instance I trusted to the accuracy of Messrs Darke and Nutt.

I found it necessary to resurvey Koonung Koonung Creek previous to transmitting Mr Elgars Survey

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I enclose you a copy of my reply to a Letter which Mr La Trobe received from Mr Dacre on the subject of the measurement and which imputed to me motives that existed only in the imagination of the writer.

The Surveyor General
&c. &c. &c.

I have the honor to be &c
Signed Robert Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
Feb. 3rd 1844

No. 44/13

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the Report of Sale by Auction of Suburban allotments in the parish of Boroondara held at this office on the 13 Decr. 1843. and also. the Report of Sale by Auction of Country lots at Mt Clay held at the Police Office Portland on the 20 Decr. 1843.

Signed.
Robert Hoddle

The Surveyor General.

No. 44/14.

S. O. Melbourne. Feb 17. 1844

Sir,

I have the honor to state that, not having received Instructions from you respecting this Branch of your Department. this Office has been kept open to the public as usual. and upon my applying to His Honor the Superintendent for the Pay of the Officers and Messenger for the last month. I was informed that until His Honor received further instructions he could not sanction the smallest expence. nor allow the Sub-Treasurer to issue any money on account. as he stated "that the whole of the Surveyor Generals Department was expunged."

I therefore await your further commands on the subject. and whether Mr Assistant Surveyor Pickering and party are to proceed to Portland as ordered by your letter. No. 43/386 dated 11 August.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obd Servants
Signed Robert Hoddle

The Surveyor General
&c. &c. &c.

No. 44/15 27 February 1844.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge your Honor's letter of the 26 Instant No. 44/301 informing me that His Excellency The Governor has been pleased to sanction the Pay of the Officers attached to this Branch of the Surveyor General's Department for which they return their grateful acknowledgements.

I beg leave to transmit an Abstract of the Contingent Expenses for the current year. and probable monthly contingent expenses.

His Honor The Superintendent. Signed Robt Hoddle,

No. 44/16, 27 February 1844

Sir,

"Ranges between Mt Macedon and Mt Disappointment."

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter No. 44/27. dated 13th Inst. respecting the Survey of the dividing Ranges between Mt Macedon and Mt Disappointment, and to state that I shall take immediate steps to commence with this important feature in this part of the Colony as soon as I can get men and complete equipment, having made an application to His Honor The Superintendent for assistance. as my party were distributed to the Border Police and other Departments. by His Honor's directions. not leaving me a single man for field duty. signed R. Hoddle,

The Surveyor General.

No. 44/17 27 February 1844

Sir,

"4 Chains"

The Surveying Chains in this Department being of bad quality, and nearly worn out. I request the favor of being supplied with four of the best quality that can be procured. I beg to observe that chains of good quality are of the greatest importance as more errors accrue from want of attention to this part of a Surveyors equipment, than to the Instrument in general use.

The Surveyor General. signed Robert Hoddle

No. 44/18 28 February 1844

Sir,

"Estimate for 1845"

In compliance with your letter of the 10th Instant. I have the honor to transmit an Estimate of the probable Expenditure of the Surveyor-General's Department in the District of Port Phillip, for the Year 1845 accompanied by the several separate Returns under the head of "Contingencies".

His Honor The Superintendent. Signed R. Hoddle

No. 44/19. 29 February 1844

Thos. Nicholson.

Thomas Nicholson (free emigrant) having been upwards of 2½ years acting as Messenger at this Office, and he having performed the duty to my satisfaction, I beg leave to recommend him to your Honor's favorable consideration for an increase of his Gratuity from One shilling per diem with rations to One shilling and ninepence per diem without rations, and as he has not drawn rations since the 31st of December last, that the increase may commence from the 1st of January 1844.

His Honor The Superintendent. signed Robert Hoddle.

No. 44/20 1st March 1844.

Referring to the Honble The Colonial Secretary's letter No. 44/303 dated 14 February respecting the disposal of the Stores, I beg leave to transmit your Honor a Return shewing the quantity of Stores we I wish to retain for the use of the Survey Department in this District also the Stores recommended to be sold. likewise a List of Articles required to complete my Equipment. I should observe that 3 of the Horses may be useful for journeys in the neighbourhood and as they will cost nothing to maintain in the survey Paddock they had better be retained. The other Horse being lame I recommend his being sold.

His Honor The Superintendent. Signed Robert Hoddle

&c. &c. &c.

No 44/21. 2d March 1844

Sir,

With reference to your letter No 44/31 dated 16th ultimo, on the subject of the selection of Town Land for the erection of a Jewish Synagogue I have the honor to inform you that the allotments applied for No. 6 and 7 in Section 19. are vacant. being forfeited allotments by Mr J. Hodgson, he only having paid the deposit at Sale of 1 Novr 1837.

The Government Reserve in the same Section has been selected by His Honor The Superintendent for the erection of Public Buildings (formerly reserved for an Hospital)

The Surveyor General. Signed R Hoddle.

No 44/22 2d March 1844

Sir.

I have the honor to transmit you copies of letters No. 30 and 31. as requested in your Memorandum dated 24 ult. in order that they may be entered on the records of the Survey Office

The Surveyor General. Signed Robert Hoddle

No 44/23. 2d March 1844.

Sir.

I have the honor to transmit you a rough copy of the probable Expenses of this Branch of your Department for the current and ensuing year. which has been called for by His Honor The Superintendent.

It is made presuming that Mr Asst Surveyor Pickering will proceed to Portland and will require three additional men. and that my employment will extend to a greater range and consequently a more expensive equipment is required.

I should observe that my horses. are aged and therefore propose substituting Working Bullocks which are better adapted for a rough Country

and less expensive, If the Horses were sold they would fetch little and may be useful in the neighbourhood of Melbourne

The Provisions and forage are calculated for 1845 at a higher rate of ration. exceeding the present years Estimate by nearly £100. anticipating a rise generally in the markets

The Surveyor General. Signed R Hoddle

&c. &c. &c. (a copy of this letter sent to His Honor Mr Latrobe)

No 44/24 Survey Office Melbourne

Sir, March 11. 1844

I have the honor to enclose an application which I have received from Col E E Kenny who is desirous of obtaining a License to occupy Section No 22 parish of Doutta Galla containing 640 acres, and requests that the license may be put up to auction under the regulations of 21 August 1841

I therefore beg to recommend this application to your Honor's favorable consideration,

I take the opportunity of suggesting that the whole of the unsold lands in the parishes of Doutta Galla. Tullamarine, Bulla Bulla Yuroke, Will-will-rook. Keelbundora, Wollert, Morang. Yan ~~Yean~~, Tour-rourrong and Merriang be advertised and the licenses to occupy under the Regulations of 21 August 1841. for one year from the 1st. of July next be put up to auction at an upset price of £5 per section.

His Honor C J LaTrobe Esq Signed R Hoddle

&c. &c. &c.

No 44/25, Survey Office Melbourne

Sir/ March 14. 1844

I have the honor ~~to inform~~ to inform you that His Honor The Superintendent has been pleased to approve of Thomas Nicholson receiving in lieu of rations 9 per diem making his present allowance as Messenger at the Survey Office 1/9 per diem

The Surveyor General Signed R Hoddle.

&c. &c. &c.

No 44/26

Survey Office Melbourne
March 19. 1844

Sir,

With reference to your letter No 44/52 dated 8 March informing me of the proposed scale of this Branch of your Department. I beg to direct your attention to one of the regulations under the Head of Contingencies "that I am to draw Rations for three men when absolutely required, whilst Mr Asst Surveyor Pickering is allowed to draw rations for six men when absolutely necessary." and to state, that when my services are required in the Field I should require the full complement of men to enable me to perform my duty efficiently.

The Distribution of a Surveying party being as follows.

One chainman
One Man to carry the Instrument
Two men to set up stations and marks. and
to cut down and remove brush and
obstacles in a rough country
One Tent keeper, and
One man to drive Bullocks. or Horses. and
to take care of the Cattle during the day

This number of men accords with your circular dated 19 January 1842. No 42/37.

The Surveyor General
Sydney

No 44/27

Survey Office Melbourne
March 22. 1844

Sir

I beg to call your attention to The Surveyor Generals Circular No 42/159 wherein it states that the Monthly reports of progress. are to be filled up and forwarded to this Office at the close of every month in order that I may be enabled to sign the Pay Abstracts with some attention to the meaning of such a certificate and to enable the Surveyor General at any time to satisfy such enquiries as may be made by the Govern~~ment~~nor on the subject" As your report to the 30th Sept 1843. was the last received at this Office I have to request you will forward to me without any delay your reports of progress. up to 29th ult. also your plan of the sources of the Goulburn

Mr Asst Surveyor Pickering

Signed R Hoddle

No 44/28

Survey Office Melbourne
March 29. 1844

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your application of the 28th Inst. regarding certain portions of land near Port Fairy which you wish to have surveyed and put up to auction and to state that in the event of your Special Survey of 5120 acres in that locality being ~~measured~~ approved of His Honor the Superintendent sees no objection to the Government Surveyor marking off the portions applied for at the same time as the Special Survey

William Rutledge Esq

signed WWS for R Hoddle

No 44/29

Survey Office Melbourne
9 April 1844.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit you fresh plans. and descriptions of the Special Surveys of Messrs Unwin & Elgar, as recently remeasured. The latter Survey shews the ten chains which has been added to the Western Boundary so as to give them access to the River Yarra Yarra. as directed in your Instructions. No 44/76. dated 2d March. 1844. and also by direction of His Honor The Superintendent.

The Surveyor General
&c &c &c

signed R Hoddle.

No 44/30

Survey Office Melbourne.
April 9. 1844

Sir,

I have the honor. to enclose a copy of an application received from William McCarthy Esq of Melbourne, who is desirous of purchasing Sect No 31 in the Parish of Yering conts 640 acres. As this land is already marked ready for sale I beg to recommend that the Section be put up on an early day

The Surveyor General.

Sgnd R Hoddle

No 44/31,

Survey Office Melbourne
April 13. 1844

Sir,

Plan to 10 allot on S. Bank of Yarra.

I have the honor to transmit you a Plan with Descriptions of Ten portions of Land which I have recently marked in compliance with application made and approved of in your letter No 44/34 dated 19 Feb 1844 The Portions are marked in No 16 and the adjoining land to the Reserve. on the Southern Bank of the Yarra Yarra and Parish of Boroondara These portions are likely to sell.

The Surveyor General.
Signed Robt Hoddle.

&c &c &c The Descriptions are on the file. –

No 44/32

Survey Office Melbourne
April 13. 1844

Sir,

Allotmt 17 / 5 Sect. Melbourne

I have the honor to enclose an application received from Mr E. Westby, who is desirous of purchasing Allotment No 17. of Section 5 of Town of Melbourne & which In the absence of Mr Hoddle who has just started on Survey. I beg to recommend may be put up to Auction

for Robert Hoddle
The Surveyor General.
Signed W H B.

&c &c &c

No 44/33.

Survey Office Melbourne
April 20. 1844

Sir

9 Inst No 44/93

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day received Instructions from the Surveyor General on the subject of the selection of land in the Town of Melbourne for the erection of a Jews Synagogue and to state that you can take either of the Allotments. applied for viz. 6 and 7 of Section 19. and on your determining which you will prefer. I shall be ready to point out the boundaries thereof

Mr A H Hart.
Pres. of Jewish Congregation.
Signed W H B. for R Hoddle

No 44/34

Survey Office Melbourne
April 30. 1844

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit the following

Returns viz. of Country Lands actually sold on 20 March, 1844
of Town Allotments — do — — do —
and Report of Sale of Suburban Lots on 24th Inst.

The Surveyor General. –
Signed W H B for R Hoddle.

No 44/33.

Survey Office Melbourne
April 30. 1844.

Sir

I have the honor to forward. Mr Assistant Surveyor Pickerings Survey of a line of Route towards Gipps Land. shewing also an "eye sketch" of the Sources of Goulburn River. my reason for not putting it in the Box forwarded p Christina I was afraid of its being injured.

The Surveyor General.
Signed W. H. B for R Hoddle

No 44/35

Survey Office Melbourne
May 1. 1844

Sir,

In attention to your letter No 44/93 dated 9th ultimo. I have the honor to forward a Return shewing the whole of the Allotments. in the Town of Melbourne, which have been actually sold. and also the Allotments. which have been forfeited to the Crown.

I have pointed out the boundaries of Allotment No 6 of Block 19. which has been chosen by Mr Hart. (the President of the Jewish congregation at Melbourne) as the site of a Jews Synagogue.

The Surveyor General.
Signed W H B for R Hoddle

Survey Office Melbourne
25 April 1844

No 44/.34

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that I yesterday forwarded p Christina a Box, containing as follows viz 3 Circumferenters. 2 Instrument Boxes (incomplete) 5 Instt. Stands and the following Field Books. 5 of Mr Kemps. 6 of Messrs Tyers & Kennedy. 4 of Mr Darke's 11 of Mr H W H Smythes. 2 of Mr Townsends. 5 of Mr Mills. 9 of Mr G. D Smythes. and 1 of Mr Russell.ˣ The rough plans of the Port Bay District recd from Mr Tyers are at this Office & should Mr Pickering. who is on the Mt Macedon Range with Mr Hoddle be sent to that dist. they will be handed over to him for his information.

The Surveyor General
for The Surveyor in charge
Signed W. H Buckley

&c &c &c N.B.ˣ The draft being mislaid. this letter was entered from memory but the draft being found. the date is 24. April and filed for reference. W.H.B.