with its source near Wonyon also Mount Rorong and part of the Dividing Range between the Loddon and Avoca.
No 3 Survey of part of the Loddon River
No 4 Survey of the lower part of the Loddon River shewing its confluence with the back waters of the Murray River - part of the Eastern River and an Anna branch also the termination of the Avoca River Lakes Boga Bael Bael Boga & others together with a portion of the lower Murray River to Swan Hill.
No 5 Survey of part of the Avoca Rivulet
No 6 Survey of the Avoca Rivulet from Cay & Mayes' station to Ellis Shore & Pollocks station also shewing part of the Dividing Range between the Avoca Rivulet and the Loddon River.-
By Mr Assistant Surveyor Howe
Survey of the Eastern and Central heads of the Loddon River together with the tributary which rises at Mount Alexander.
I beg leave to state that immediately the surveys by Messrs Wedge and De Little are copied I shall transmit them without delay (Sd) R.R

To The Surveyor General — No 48/254 November 20 In attention to your letter of the 21st Ultimo No 48/415 I have the honor to forward the descriptions of the following proposed counties for your approval and for the purpose of proclamation

1 ___ Follett
2 ___ Normanby
3 ___ Dundas
4 ___ Villiers
5 ___ Ripon
6 ___ Hampden
7 ___ Hayles bury
8 ___ Polwarth
9 ___ Grenville
10 ___ Talbot
11 ___ Grant
12 ___ Bourke
13 ___ Dalhousie
14 ___ Anglesey
15 ___ Evelyn
16 ___ Mornington

I have the honor to be
Sir (Signed) Robert Hoddle

Henry Wade Esq Surveyor — No 48/255 November 20 Having received an application from Mr Horace Fowler to have a portion of Land at the back of the Township of Portland known as the Buckfield measured for Sale I beg you will report to me without delay as to the situation of this Land whether within the Township Boundary the distance from the back sections and also the eye which you consider it best for the Government to lay the lots out for the purposes intended (Signed) R. H.

W. A. Smythe Esq Broken River — No 48/256 November 21st In reply to your letter of the 18th Inst I have to state that a Bullock Driver was hired at Melbourne on the 13th Inst and started immediately for the Broken River to join Mr Wedges party receiving an advance of pay (£2) I have no doubt as men are so scarce that either the Bullock Driver would be able to obtain another situation at the Broken River. It has happened most unfortunate as Mr De Little has been detained in Town solely from the want of a Bullock driver. (Sgd) R. H.

His Honor The Superintendent — No 48/257 November 23rd In attention to your Honors minute of the 21st Inst on Colonial Secretarys letter to your Honor No 48/688 dated 15th Inst relative to the South Australian Boundary line I beg to acquaint your Honor that Mr Surveyor Wade states to complete it the survey party should be on the ground where he left off on the 1st June as it is only possibly practicable to continue the line to the River Murray during the wet season in Consequence of the absence of water. I would therefore suggest that the South Australian Government be ~~recommended~~ communicated with and arrangements made so that the Survey be commenced on the 1st June next. (Signed) R. H.

The Surveyor General — No 48/258 November 24th I have the honor to transmit a plan of 17 Suburban Allotments measured by order of His Honor the Superintendent in the parish of Prahan also description of the same as they are marked on the ground (Sgd) R. H.

C. J. Eyers Esq Crown Lands — No 48/259 November 27th I am directed by his Honor The Superintendent to acquaint you that his Excellency has approved of Mr Irevine being employed as a Contract Surveyor on 1st January next and also allowing Austhen to be employed

whose selection will be left to yourself. Enclosed is a copy of the Colonial Secretary's letter to His Honor No 48/695 of 16th Inst. on the subject. I also beg to forward you a copy of the instructions for the guidance of Contract Surveyors (Sd) R.H.

To P. Snow Asst Surveyor

No 48/260 November 29th With reference to my letter No 48/348 dated the 14th Inst. I have to request that the plans of your Surveys in Gipps Land District while on the Establishment as an Assistant Surveyor may be completed and forwarded to this office previous to your commencing as a Contract Surveyor and also to return all Instruments and articles to the Government now in your possession. (Signed) R.H.

To A.H. McRae Authier Seat

No 48/261 I am directed by his Honor the Superintendent to acquaint you that your application of the 30th Ultimo to purchase thirty acres of Land adjoining the Southern Boundary of Jamisons Special Survey is not in accordance with the notice on Colonial Secretary's Office 21st Nov. 1848. and cannot be entertained or recorded December 4th (Signed) R.H.

To Wm. Lonsdale Sub. Treasurer

No 48/262 December 4th In compliance with your memorandum of 29th Ultimo herewith I enclose copies of the descriptions of the two Town Allotments and the Block or Section No 4 in the Town of Portland selected by the Messrs Hentys also of the two portions of Country Land settled by the same parties on the Wannon River (Signed) Robt Hoddle

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To His Honor The Superintendent

No 48/263 December 8th As your Honor was pleased to state that you would sanction the employment of an Extra Clerk in this office to prevent arrears I beg to inform your Honor that the Gentleman named in the margin has been before the Board appointed for the Examination of Candidates and request your Honor will have the goodness to authorize his being employed in this office as Extra Clerk receiving a salary at the rate of Five Shillings per diem Signed R.H.

Walter Macfarlane

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 48/264 December 8. I beg to enclose for your Honors information the report of the Port Phillip Branch of the Surveyor Generals Department for the month of November 1848

Signed R.H.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 48/265 December 6th I beg leave to forward for your Honors information the accompanying copy of a report by Mr Asst Surveyor Skene relative to the country included within the limits of the Wesleyan Mission Reserve on the Barwon (Signed) R.H.

To J.B. Jarr Geelong

No 48/266 December 7th I beg to enclose (by desire of his Honor the Superintendent) an application from Mr Walter Birmingham of Portland for permission to purchase half an acre of land on the West side of the Creek near its junction with the Sea and request you will favor me with your report. Should Mr Surveyor Wade be in Portland have the goodness to forward the enclosed application to him (Sd) R.H.

To The Surveyor General

No 48/267 December 7th I beg to transmit for your approval a plan of the proposed extention of Melbourne. His Honor The Superintendent having considered it necessary from the peculiar features of the ground to make certain alterations in the former plan shewn on Map of S.P.S. Melbourne, primarily Surveyed & transmitted to you by my letter No 48/163 dated 14 Dec 1842 Signed R.H.

To W. Macfarlane

No 48/268 December 7th I beg to acquaint you that His Honor the Superintendent has been pleased to approve of your being employed in this office as Extra Clerk receiving a salary at the rate of Five shillings per diem You will therefore commence your duties from to-morrow the 8th Inst. the hours of attendance are from 9 until 4 (Signed) R.H.

To J. Champion

No 48/269 December 6 In reply to your letter of the 29th Ultimo I have to acquaint you that no alteration will be the present be made in the laying out of the Township at Colac (Sd) R.H.

To The Surveyor General

No 48/270 December 8th I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 30th Ultimo No 48/472 in answer to mine of the 14th Ult. No 48/250 and shall attend strictly to your instructions. With regard to the last paragraph of my letter of which you request an explanation I beg to state that in the absence of any precedent the whole of the Applications under A & B inclusive of those received after the 31 Augt had been registered according to the forms enclosed prior to the receipt of the Copy of your Memorandum (Signed) R.H.

To The Surveyor Genal — No 48/270 B December 8th. I have the Honor to transmit by desire of His Honor the Superintendent a copy of the Supplementary List of the Official notice of Demands for Lease of Crown Lands in the Murray and Gipps Land Districts received at the Superintendents office from parties who have been in Licensed occupation for 12 months previous to the publication of the orders in Council (Signd) R.H.

To The Surveyor Genal — No 48/271 December 8th. I have the honor to acquaint you that the following portion of Country Land was selected by Mr Geo. Coghill on the 17th Ultimo in accordance with the 11th clause of the regulations of 1st March 1843 viz:-
1st Lot 67 of Country Lands put up at Sale held at Melbourne 6 October 1847 being portion B of Section 17 in the Parish of Pullamarine containing 448 acres, upset price £1. per acre
(Signed) R.H.

To His Honor The Superintendent — No 48/272 December 11th Referring to your Honors minutes of the 6th and 9th Inst on the application of Mr. A. Greene and Mr. T. Young: for an occupation Road through portion 87 in Bulla Bulla, in order that they may have access to the Deep Creek for their Stock, I beg to state that it requires much consideration as to whether similar applications should be entertained, as in that case it would be necessary to have a larger staff to mark out roads for private purposes.— Perhaps under the Circumstances, the lot had better be withdrawn from sale on the 13 Inst (B) R.H.

To Mr John Ringley Melbourne — No 48/273 December 11th I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this days date and to inform you that it is not in my power to state when the land applied for by you on the 16th Sept last will be surveyed.
(Signed) R.H.

To Lindsay Clark Assist Surveyor — No 48/274 December 16 In reply to your letter of yesterdays date I have to request you will mark out a road of a chains wide from Belmont ferce to the Proclaimed Road from Melbourne to Keilor leading in a direction where you subdivide the sections. (Signed) R.H.

To A. J. Greene Assist Surveyor — No 48/275 December 18 I am directed by His Honor the Superintendent to request you will mark out the best and most direct road from Warrnambool to Belfast transmitting a plan and description

also to defer the subdivision of portion 8 containing 6 acres opposite Belfast until further instructed. You will therefore proceed with other work. I enclose a list of the Lands applied for in the neighbourhood of Warrnambool and Port Fairy received since my last communication which you will measure and mark out, taking particular care to preserve the main lines of Road, affording access to them from the Back portions. You will also take an opportunity of reporting upon the reserve recommended at Lake Gnarang (Messrs Black & Co Station) and survey the main line of Road past that Lake towards Port Fairy.
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Between Woodford and Tower Hill Lake portions of 100 to 200 acres,

1	—	—	Thomas Long
1	—	—	Thomas Teeland
1	—	—	William Mills
1	—	—	John Dawson
1	—	—	near Mt Napthanty
1	—	—	A. Campbell
1	do	160	do
1	do	160	do
1	do	320	do

Signed. Robert Hoddle.

First record of letter to Mr Lindsay Clarke. 1848/274. at page 358. Letter register herein. This is the earliest book in registry [Letters outwards]. but there must have been something before this. Jan Allen, 6-2-79.

To The Surveyor Genal — No 48/276. 19th December I have the honor to forward reports of Sale by Auction of Sundry Town, Suburban, & Country Lots in the Port Phillip District held at Melbourne on Wednesday the 15th day of December 1848 in accordance with the proclamation of his Excellency the Governor dated 1st November 1848 and under the conditions of the Act of Parliament 5th & 6th Victoria chap. 36
(Signed) R.H.

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100 — do — — — Thomas Teeland
100 — do — — — William Mills
100 — do — — — John Dawson
East of Lake Koroit near Mr Urquharts
1 portion of 320 Acres A. Campbell
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To His Honor The Superintendent

№48/278. 22nd December. In accordance with your Honors request I forwarded a letter to the Surveyor General on the 17th of October last №48/220 enquiring as to whether any alteration has been made by the Executive Council in any of the Port Phillip Roads mentioned in the Notice of 13th April last, and also the nature of such alteration. I now beg leave to enclose for your Honors information the copy of a letter I received this morning in reply to the above. (Signed) R. Hoddle.

To Edwd Sumpter Contract Surveyor

№48/279 December 23rd I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 22nd Inst. in reply to mine of the 20 October last and to state that having laid your letter before His Honor the Superintendant who considers that this is a matter which must be dealt with according the usages of the Department and should certainly think that the Government were at liberty to give the notice which has been given with a view of licensing fairer terms than the original ones are now considered to be. And if I was not clear on the point that a reference should be made to the Surveyor General by whom I wish of course be guided. signed R Hoddle.

To H. Crisp Clerk of Works

№48/280 26th December I beg to forward the Annual Returns of Articles in charge of the Survey Department at Port Phillip as requested in your letter №48/335 of the 30th Ult. Signed R.H.

To Sd Gregory Esqr.

№48/281 26 December Your application dated 22nd Instant to purchase Allotments №s 1. 2. 3 and 4. of Section 22 in the Parish of Barrabool has been received, and I beg to inform you that the whole of the Suburban Allotments on the right bank of the Barwon River from the junction of the Moorabool downwards have been reserved for the present by His Honor M. La Trobe. — In the event of your again addressing me please to forward your letter a application under cover to His Honor The Superintendent (Signed) R. Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent

№48/282 December 28th Referring to your Honors minute №48/302 of 22nd Inst I have the honor to state for your Honors information that, perceiving the difficulties and hardships attendent upon carrying into effect the Regulations of 24 March 1848 I wrote to the Surveyor General for instructions upon several points —

amongst which was the following Query. Whether parties who purchased land at the last Sale are to be excluded from enjoying their pre-emptive right? to which I received the following answer; "I have the honor to inform you, that as they became "the holders of the fee simple of the Lands alluded to only after "the 31st August, the last day of receiving such applications, "they could not claim to exercise that right within the time "prescribed but that there will be of course no bar to their "exercising their pre-emptive power next year over any then "vacant and unobjectionable Crown Lands adjoining their purchases "they enjoying in the mean time a Commonage right over the "same." With regard to the second grievance mentioned by Messdames Drysdale & Newcombe I beg leave to subjoin the following extract of a letter from the Surveyor General "With reference to your letter of the 11th Oct. №48/250 I have to "inform you that all applications founded on the pre-emptive "right in forms A & B which have been received at this Office "after the 31st August 1848. have been acknowledged and the "applicants apprised that their Application not having been "received before the 31st August, could not be entertained for "although I am aware of the desire of the Government "that the Regulations should be interpreted liberally, I "could not understand such desire to imply an abandonment of "one of the Clauses of the Regulations. It will be well therefore "that you apprise the applicants accordingly".
I could scarcely point out to your Honor that the case of the Messdames Drysdale & Newcombe is one of peculiar hardship, they having as early as 1836. applied to have the Station they at present occupy put up for sale, which however was not complied with for more than two years afterwards, When they became purchasers of a portion thereof for the express purpose of being entitled to a pre-emptive right. and instead of their being able to exercise such right they are only permitted to depasture their Stock on the Crown Lands in question in Common with others - and are also entirely debarred from obtaining a lease of their Run under para B. Clause 10. 1st.

To Henry Wade Surveyor

№48/283 December 28th I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter №48/83 dated 18th Inst returning to me the application of W. Bennington to purchase an allotment at Portland

and to state that you can measure the land in question the first opportunity furnishing the usual plan and description. With regard to the South Australian Boundary line I fear that you will not be able to undertake it as it will prevent the completion of your plans of the General Survey another Competent person had therefore better be selected to completed under your direction the party must be on the ground ready to commence on the 1st June next

(Signed) Robt Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 48/245 November 4th With reference to the Colonial Secretarys letter of 23rd October last No 48/633 I beg to request instructions from your Honor on the following points 1st Having received all applications for leases that have been tendered up to the present time What course is now to be adopted with respect to those received after the 31st August last as I have not informed such applicants that such applications were under Section No 25 too late to be attended to 2nd Whether parties who were purchasers of Land at the last Government Sale are to be precluded from enjoying the privilege of their pre-emptive right- Great attention has already been bestowed in the Registery of the Applications for leases which is now rendered useless by the late arrival of the Instructions of the Surveyor General transmitted to the Colonial Secretary

(Signed) Robert Hoddle.

Return of the Department of the Surveyor in Charge Port Phillip District New South Wales from the 1st January to the 31st December 1848 both days inclusive.

FOR THE YEAR 1848.

No.	NAME	OFFICE	Rate of Appointment	By whom Appointed and under what Authority	Period in which each holds the Situation in the Year		Yearly Salary or Rate of Wages	Daily Salary or Rate of Wages	Whether Salary is regulated by a Daily rate	From what funds the Salary is paid	Sees which are perquisites of the Office	Whether the Office be allowed a House for the Occupant Residence or else Allowance of Rent or Quarters	Period during which the Officer has been absent from the Colony during the Year 1848	Whether the Officer enjoys any and what other Advantage or Perquisite not required to be stated in the preceding Column	Date of first Appointment under the Colonial Government
					From	To	£	£							
1	Robt. Hoddle	Surveyor in Charge	28 Sept 1837	Sir R. Bourke	1 January	31 Dec	600					£ 300			28 Sept 1837
2	Mary Wade	Surveyor	1st Dec 1841	Sir George Gipps	do	do	125					do			1st Dec 1841
3	Th. Sergeant	1st Draughtsman	1 Jan 1842	do	do	do	200					do			1st Jan 1842
4	W.H. Bruce	Draughtsman	7 July 1843	do	do	do	120					do			7 July 1843
5	Geo. Mayo	do	1 March 1848	do	1 March	do	200					do			1 March 1848
6	Hal. A. Little	Assistant	22 April 1841	do	do	do	200					do			22 April 1841
7	Francis Murphy	do	20 April 1841	do	do	do	200					do			20 April 1841
8	Edw. C. Wade	do	17 July 1841	do	do	do	200					do			17 July 1841
9	Lindsay Chas. Mc	do	9 Jany 1843	do	do	do	200					do			9 Jany 1843
10	Walter J. Mc Clure	do	11 Oct 1848	do	11 October	do	200					do			11 Oct 1848
11	W.H. Smellie	Assistant	1 June 1841	Sir Geo. Gipps	1 June	do	170					do		Sir Geo. Gipps has allowed Mr. Blake who is employed by the Government all these Troops for our Horses and Rations for themselves when in the field also an Allowance of £100 per annum in lieu of Equipment	1 June 1841
12	C.A.C. Darby	do	12 March 1841	do	12 March	do	150					do			12 March 1841
13	A. Sutherland	do	27 Oct 1848	do	27 Oct	do	150					do			27 Oct 1848
14	Edwd. Bruce	Sub Assistant	1 Sept 1843	do	1 Sept	31 Dec		5/							1 Sept 1843
15	Jn. Montgomerie	Sub Assistant	1 Dec 1848	do	1 Dec	31 Dec		5/							1 Dec 1848
16	Geo. S. Langhorne	Chief Clerk & Accountant	1 Jan 1842	Sir Geo. Gipps	1 January	do						£ 150			1 Jan 1842
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Surveys.

Remarks	Allowances	Salaries	Date of Appointment	By whom Appointed	Name of persons belonging to the Survey Department
		£			
		400	18 August 1809	Sir R. Brownrigg	Michael M'Carthy Esqr. Surveyor General
		300	18 Dec. 1809	Sir Thos. Maitland	Henry Wade Esqr. Deputy Surveyor General
		200	1 Jany. 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Peter Perkins Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		200	1 Jany. 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Thomas Scott Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 July 1809	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Edward Abbott Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 July 1809	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Charles Grimes Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 March 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Augustus Alt Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 March 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Thomas Evans Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 March 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Robert Hoddle Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 March 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	James Meehan Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 March 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Thomas Parramore Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 March 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Richard Dry Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 March 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Robert Lowe Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 March 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Thomas Laidley Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 March 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Thomas Mitchell Esqr. Assistant Surveyor
		100	1 March 1810	Lieut. Colonel Wilson Deputy Adjutant General	Thomas Scott

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/1 January 1st In accordance with your Honors Circular No 1287 dated 18th Novr last I have the Honor to forward a Return of the Port Phillip Branch of the Surveyor Generals Department from the 1st January to the 31st December 1848 both days inclusive

(Signed) Robt Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/2 3 January 1849 I do myself the Honor to enclose for your Honors information the accompanying list of Queries with the Answers thereto 1st Under the 16 Clause of the Regulations of 29 March last there are received 110 applications that is to say

90 prior to the 1 Sept
20 after that date
110

And under the 22 Clause of the Regulations there are received 241 Applications that is to say

188 prior to the 1st Sept
53 after that date
241

2nd Out of the Application made under the 16th Clause 76 are considered to be admissable 3rd The Gazette containing the notice of 21st Novr 1848. was received at the Survey Office on the 28th Novr and the letter from the Colonial Secretary drawing attention to that notice was received on the 7th December 1848. Under this Notice 128 Applications have been received prior to 31st Dec last. 4th These Applications have done away with the pre-emptive claims under the 16th Clause of the Regulations of 29th March 1848. 5th With regard to the general Construction placed upon the priveledge conferred on the Squatters within the Settled Districts by the notice of 21st Novr last I beg to state that as far as I am able to ascertain that it is considered by the majority of that Class to be a very great grievance in as much as, in the first place, The priveledge conferred upon the Land holder by the 16th Clause of the Regulations of the 29 March last is completely destroyed thereby In the 2nd place they are compelled to put up for sale by Public Auction 30 Acres at least out of every Section of their licensed Runs to secure even a temporary holding of such Runs such holding only continuing until the land is put up for sale when the remainder of the Section becomes a common In the 3rd place If this notice be carried into effect and the Land put

for Sale a large number of the poorer Class will be turned out bid by the larger holders and in many instances inevitably ruined. In the 4th place The Majority of the Squatters have expended large sums in Sheep Wash Sheds &c and there are but a very few who could afford to buy at Auction their own improvements 5th The effect of this order if carried out will be to convert almost the whole of the Settled Districts into a common and a further effect will be to produce constant quarrels amongst the Squatters themselves I may state there are many who have applied under this order entirely under the Conviction that the land will not even be measured by the Government for such a purpose To carry these Measures out will require a large Survey Staff as the Surveys must remain in abeyance for a considerable period The regulations that may be suitable for the Middle Districts are not at all applicable for this District the Scrubby and indifferent Country of which cannot be put in juxtaposition with the fine plains and the land is admirably suited for agricultural & pastoral purposes of this district. — Another and very serious effect of this order is that it has given the Squatter the opportunity of purchasing the best pieces of land and the Water holes so as to render the neighbouring land unavailable (Signed) R.H. —

Memo. Number of Claims made under the 16th and following Sections of the Regulations of 29th March 1848.

1 Before the 1st September
2 Since that date

How many of these are considered to be admissible
Notice 31st Novr received here 26th Dec.
What number of application may be rec'd up to the 31st Dec. and how may these have effected the former class of applications.
What is the General construction placed upon the priveledge conferred by that notice?
What will be its probable effect now or at a future time?

Memo: for the guidance of Mr Foot

To examine previous to Survey a line of Road from the Village Reserve at Kalkallo towards the Big Hill, and

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/3 January 3rd I beg leave to enclose for your Honors information the report of the Port Phillip Branch of the Surveyor Generals Department for the Month of Decr 1848 (Sigd) R. Hoddle.

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* and with the view to avoid the Hill a road be marked and passing through a gully adjacent to the present public thoroughfare, or if this be found impracticable that a new line of road be laid out crossing the Sunday Creek and the Goulburn River higher up than the present Ford at the Goulburn near Seymour Township

Survey Office Melbourne 3
4th January 1849.

P. Rob. Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent

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No 49/4 January 4th I beg leave to inform your Honor that in my letter of date and number as per margin I communicated to the Deputy Surveyor General your Honors approval of that part of the proposed line of Road to Portland, viz: from Keilor Bridge to the Portland Hills and your request that the Road should be announced in the Government Gazette. As the above road is the only one that has not been published I imagine it has been overlooked. (Signd) R.H.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/5 January 4th I beg your Honor will have the goodness to inform me, whether Parties who have built and made improvements on Village Reserves Situated within their Licenced Runs, and in the Settled Districts will be allowed to purchase more than half acre Allotments, as the notice of 21st Nov. last gives the Licenced occupier the privilidge of purchasing any portion of their Licenced Run, not less than Thirty Acres. (Signd) Robert Hoddle.

To The Surveyor General

Plan & description forwarded

No 49/6 January 5th I have the Honor to forward for your approval a Plan of Eleven Suburban Allotments marked out at Cape Nelson near Portland by order of His Honor the Superintendent on the application of persons desirous to purchase also descriptions of the same and outline of the Coast between Portland & Cape Nelson (Sigd) R.H.

To the Surveyor General

No 49/7 January 5th I have the Honor to transmit by the desire of His Honor the Superintendent a copy of the Supplementary list of the Official notice of Demands for lease of Crown Lands in the Murrumra and Western Port Districts received at the Superintendents Office from parties who have been in licenced occupation for

twelve months previous to the orders in Council (Sigd) R.H.

To C. J. Newton Gipps Land

No 49/8 6th January I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 30th Ultimo and to acquaint you in reply, that no Town or Suburban lots if forfeited or remaining unsold can be selected on paying the Balance due or the upset price. Unsold Country and Special Country lots are only open to selection without competetion. R.H.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/9 January 9th In accordance with your Honors request I have the Honor to enclose a return shewing a few examples of the effect produced by the notice from the Colonial Secretary Office of 21st Novr last on the Applications under the 16 clause of the Regulations of 29 March 1848. (the numbers marked in Blue Ink shewing the affected portions) I beg leave to state that the reservation of a Commonage which I was instructed to make round the small purchases by Colonial Secretary's letter to your Honor 48/700 of 17 Novr last will also be interfered with until the 50 acre portions are offered for Sale (Signed) R.H.

To Joseph Back Portland

No 49/10 January 10th I beg to inform you that your application under the Notice of 21 November 1848 for permission to purchase Thirty acres of Land on the North side of the Surry River cannot be entertained in as much as you do not appear to be the present Licenced occupant of such Land (Sigd) R.H.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/11 12th January With reference to the Colonial Secretary's letter to your Honor No 48/695 dated 16th November conveying his Excellency the Governors approval of Mr Penrose Nevins being recommended for this Establishment and employed as a Contract Surveyor I have the Honor to state that on the 9th Inst. Mr Nevins brought me two plans said to contain 224 measured miles which plans were not only unconnected with each other or with any previous Surveys of Gipps Land in fact they were mere outline maps without either North point or scale. Mr Nevins attended at this office on the 10th and 11th Inst. for the purpose of amending his plans which even now are such very meagre production that I cannot in consequence recommend to your Honor that Mr Nevins should be employed by the Government as a Contract Surveyor (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To J. Clarke Asst Surveyor

No 49/12 15th January The Surveyor Genals instructions regarding the reports of progress to be transmitted regularly every month by the Assistant Surveyors to head quarters not having been attended to by you I have to request you wile forward to me without delay your Progress Journals up to the 31st Ultimo inclusive in order that I may be enabled to report as to the extent of work performed by you since you took the field (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To T. D. Hanson Bunninyong

No 49/13 January 15th I beg leave to inform you that His Honor the Superintendent has been pleased to approve of your being appointed Contract Surveyor in the Gipps Land district in the place of Mr Pearce Nevins receiving a remuneration of 2/ per mile for open and 3o/ per mile for Scrubby Country, without any further expence to the Government. Should you accept the appointment you wile lose no time in proceeding to Flooding Creek, and reporting yourself to the Crown Commissioner W. J. C. Pyers, who wile furnish you with the necessary instructions for your guidance (Signed) R. Hoddle

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To A. W. H. Smythe Murray Dist

No 49/14 January 16th I am directed by His Honor The Superintendent to forward to you the enclosed plans, of Benalla and Wangaratta together with copies of the Correspondence relative thereto and have to request you will have the goodness to mark on the plans suitable places for public recreation sites for Burial Grounds, (which by the act of Council should be 1 mile from the Town) and also the allotments you may consider necessary to reserve for Markets and public purposes. The plans you will please to return with as little delay as possible (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To The Surveyor Genral

No 49/15 January 16 In attention to your letter dated 6 Inst. No 49/1 I have the honor to state that in determining the County Boundaries I was guided in a great measure by the descriptions received from your office the surveys recently made, and information gleaned from various sources As soon as I have the work laid down correctly I shale forward you the tracings which you require, at present I have only a Map on a Scale of 8 miles to the inch which assists me in my descriptions and instructions to the Assistants who are at the present time actively engaged in the General Survey. - I should have sent you the plans of the Surveys in Gipps Land but being unconnected have delayed their transmission until the receipt of the Surveys in a more Com-plete

complete state. I beg to observe that from the immense quantity of rain which falls in that District during the winter months the surveys have been very much retarded. Having only two Draftsmen in the Office the Copying of the plans and their reduction has been slow. Mr Draftsman Buckley's time being chiefly taken up in the Clerical Department and attending to the numerous calls of the public regarding information ~~regarding~~ respecting Lands &c (Signed) R.H.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/16 January 16th I take the liberty of again bringing under your Honors notice the Applications made under the 16th Clause of the Regulations of 29th March 1860. which were received in this Office after the 31st August last. - In almost every instance I have received communication from the Parties stating their inability to procure the necessary forms. which it appears were not supplied by the Government until the latter end of August and then many persons living at a distance had to send into Town for them, after which they had to be transmitted to this Office. - From what your Honor mentioned about ten days ago I was induced to believe, that Your Honor sanctioned the receipt of such of the applications as were received during the month of Sept. I would therefore request instructions from Your Honor for my guidance in this matter. (Signed) Robt Hoddle.

To C. C. Pyers Gipps Land

No 49/17 January 16th I have this morning received your letter of the 28th Ultimo - enclosing for my perusal a copy of the Instructions furnished to Mr Wilkinson. - I perceive you have lost sight of the previous instructions given by me to Mr C. A. Smythe which Comprises the Survey of the Coast between Cape Patterson and Cape Howe, and that part of the Coast within a days work say about 3 or 4 miles inland. Mr Nevins has sent in two plans of his recent Surveys in Gipps Land but being unconnected with any former Survey, and with each other. I have considered it necessary to dispense with his services as Contract Surveyor, and have recommended another Gentleman to be appointed of which you will be duly appraised.

(Signed) Robt Hoddle.

To the Surveyor General

No 49/18 January 17th I have the honor to transmitt the finial report of the Sale by Auction of Town, Suburban and Country Lots held at Melbourne on Wednesday the 13th day of December 1848. (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To N.B. Foot Surveyor

No 49/19 January 17th His Honor the Superintendent having approved of your at once proceeding with the Survey of the proposed road from the Village Reserve at Kalkallo to the Goulburn River at Seymour. I have to request you will with as little delay as possible prepare your Equipment and hire a party of 8 men for a period of two months at wages not exceeding £28 per annum for labourers and £30 for a Bullock Driver with the usual rations of provisions. You will receive a salary at the rate of £200 per annum and an allowance of £100 per annum in lieu of Equipment while employed on the above work, with rations for yourself and forage for one Horse. — In laying out this road which is to be a chain in width throughout you will note the character of the land, features of the ground, the heavily or lightly timbered parts, the extent of bush & swamp & also flats whether alluvial or otherwise, whether the forest land consists of sandy, gravelly or clayey soil, a note to be attached relative to the water if such, whether permanent, or in holes likely to dry up, the quality of the subjacent Rock whether of sandstone, trap, granite, or limestone. The plan of the Survey to be on a scale of 2 inches to a mile and as soon as they are completed to be sent in to this office with a description and report. Signed Robert Hoddle.

To the Surveyor General

Copy of Memo & Letter enclosed

No 49/20 January 19th I have the honor to forward a copy of a memorandum received from the Treasury Office Shewing the various selections made by the Messrs Beatty of Portland also copy of Colonial Secretary's letter to His Honor Mr La Trobe of 18th June 1847 No 47/317 and to state that the Balance viz One Thousand and Twelve pounds was received by the Sub. Treasurer on the 25th Nov 1848 4 P.M. —

To The Surveyor General

Copy enclosed

No 49/21 January 19th I have the honor to enclose a report of the Selections of Country Lands made during the Month of December 1848 in accordance with the provisions of the act of Parliament 5th and 6th Victoria Chapter 36. (Signed) Robt Hoddle

To The Surveyor General

No 49/22 January 19th I am directed by his Honor the Superintendent to acquaint you that he has recommended to his Excellency the Governor that one months extention be granted to applicants

under the Regulations of 29th March last on account of the necessary forms not having been furnished by the Government in sufficient time and to request you will have the goodness to furnish me with Instructions for my guidance in dealing with the Applications made under Schedule B and whether the applicants to purchase land made under the notice of 21 Nov 1848 affecting the pre-emptive right found A are to be carried into effect (Signed) R.H.

To A.H. Wilkie Asst Surveyor

No 49/23 January 20th In reply to the latter part of your letter dated 6th Instant I have to inform you, that while at Port Fairy you will please to make the best arrangements you can with Messrs Rattledge &c. for provisions and forage as I understand there is no contractor at Port Fairy (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To W. J. Urquhart Asst Surveyor

Forms Enclosed

No 49/24 January 20th In reply to your letter dated 1st Instant I have to inform you that his Honor the Superintendent has authorised your obtaining your supplies at the Pyrenees Store Swan Bank in the same manner as Mr De Little did last year under similar circumstances Enclosed are the forms you require (Signed) R.H.

To P.W. Wright Melbourne

No 49/25 January 23rd I have to acquaint you that his Honor the Superintendent has consented to my making a trial of your abilities as a Draftsman in copying and reducing various maps in this office. You will receive a Salary of £150 — per annum while so employed — The hours of attendance at this office are from 9 until 4 — (Signed) Robert Hoddle

To His Honor The Superintendent

Copy Enclosed

No 49/26 January 23rd I have the Honor to transmit the copy of an Application for a Burial Ground from the Inhabitants of the Village of Warrngal by which you Honor will perceive that the site selected is within 450 Yards of J.H. Vaughans Allotment. According to the present act Clause x 6th George IV No 21 "It is enacted that "from and after the first day of January One Thousand Eight "Hundred and twenty six. No Burial shall take place within "the walls of any Church or Chapell of any denomination that "soever nor within the limits of any Town otherwise than in "any Burial Ground which may be set apart for such purpose "and which Burial Ground must be distant one mile at least

"from any Town or Township" — but there being no vacant Crown Lands in the neighbourhood it prevents such an arrangement being carried out. — I beg to observe that although such regulations may be applicable and proper for large Towns. I think an exception might be made in small County Towns or Villages (Signed) R. H.

To The Surveyor General

No 49/27 January 23rd In reply to your letter dated 15th Inst. No 49/20 stating that neither Port Work nor Wennicott Creek is shown on the General Map of the Mannon River, and requesting I would furnish data for charting thereon the portions measured for Messrs Francis and Edward Henty and also to state in what County the Mt Eastham Head Station is situated. I have the honor to acquaint you that I have not yet received the recent Surveys of Mr Surveyor Wade in the Portland Bay District but have enclosed a tracing from one which Mr Wade forwarded to this Office and which shews the connection of these creeks with the Mannon River. The Mt Eastham Head Station is within the new County of Grenville

Signed Robt Hoddle

Tracing enclosed

To Mr Asst Surveyor Ridge. —

No 49/28 January 23rd I have to request you will proceed to the Seven Creeks at the present crossing place of the Sydney Road inspect it and also the spot proposed as a site for a Bridge and send to me your report as to which is the best adapted to the purpose with as little delay as possible (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To Mr Asst Surveyor Pritchard

No 49/29 January 23rd Having received information of the death of Mr Assistant Surveyor Howe I have to request you will without loss of time proceed to the Protectorate Station on the Loddon and I expect the Equipment and party of the late Mr Howe are at present there, and carry out the Instructions which I furnished that officer a copy of which I have enclosed for your guidance Having completed the Creek which forms the South West boundary of the County of Talbot and transmitted to me your Survey on a scale of Two inches you will communicate with Mr Urquhart who will inform you what portion of the Survey he intends to complete

Signed Robt Hoddle

To W.H. Wright Esquire & Comp.

No 49/30 January 25th I beg you will have the goodness to inform me what instructions you have given Mr De Little with regard to the General Survey as I have received no progress Journals from that Officer since he left Melbourne and should prefer that the work he may have lately executed ~~and~~ be plotted and a plan forwarded to me in order that I may be able to report to His Honor The Superintendent as to his efficiency (Signed) R. H. —

To — Ives Esq re C.C. Lands

No 49/31 January 25th With reference to the latter part of my letter to you dated 16th Instant No 49/17 I beg leave to state that His Honor The Superintendent has approved of the appointment of Mr William Pennant Dawson as Contract Surveyor in the Gipps Land District to be placed under your Control and direction This Gentleman will proceed to Bloodying Creek with the least possible delay and report himself to you and receive his final instructions as to the General Survey bearing in mind the Coast Survey of Mr Geo S. Smythe & pointing out to Mr Dawson the portions of Country that are the most desirable to be surveyed for the Settlement of Boundaries of Leases A copy of instructions to Contract Surveyors and form of account have been furnished at this Office (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To A.J. Skene Asst Surveyor

No 49/32 January 25th I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th Inst with report and plan of the Reserves proposed at N. Blacks and at Lake Farang; In marking portions of Land near the Township of Wennamboo you will pay particular attention to the size not exceeding 20 and not to exceed 100 acres where the land is adapted for agricultural purposes. (Signed) Robt Hoddle

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To A.S. Were Melbourne

No 49/33 January 25th I beg to inform you that your application for a Lease of Crown Lands under the 22nd Clause of the Regulations of 25th March 1840 cannot be granted as the Land in question is to be used as a Common for the Holders of purchased Land in and around Dendy's Special Survey. (Signed) Robert Hoddle. —

To Henry Wade Surveyor

№ 49/34 January 25th I beg to return the Pay Abstracts of Dec[r] last for yourself and party and request they may be made out afresh. His Honor The Superintendent being absent from Melbourne I am unable to reply to your letter of the 19 Inst. № 49/1 Enclosed are a supply of Pay Abstracts & Allowance forms for your use. (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To Several Parties as below

№ 49/- January 24th I beg to inform you that Claims Section № in the Parish of in the exercise of his pre-emptive right: you will thereupon settle the division of such lands between yourselves in accordance with the provisions of the 19th Clause of the Regulations of 29th March 1840. If at the expiry of one month from the date of this letter I am not informed of the result of such division, the lands so circumstanced will be opened for sale by Auction and the Public admitted as Competitors for the same (Signed) Robert Hoddle

John Bear	John Brock	Geo S Brodie	G.S. & R. Brodie
Donald Cameron	Neil Campbell	W.J.T. Clarke	J.P.L. Foster
Major Fairbrace	Wm Furlong	James Gill	Gibb & Robertson
Anne Greene	Alex[r] Kennedy	Wm Kirby	Wm Lithgowe
James Malcolm	Henry Miller	C. McDougall	N. McLean
Wm G. Porter	John Patterson	J.C. Riddle	Patrick Turnbull
Wm Walker	C. Wedge Jun[r]	Thos Wills.	

To Messrs Brooks

Copy of the above forwarded to the undermentioned parties in the County of Grant viz:- 27 January 1841.

John Learmouth	Edward Willis	
Thos Brooke	Geo Mercer	

To The Surveyor General

№ 49/35 January 26th Referring to the Government Gazette of 18th November 1840. in which is published a notice of Roads to be opened viz: 1 from the Town of Melbourne to the Parish of Kalkallo in the District of Port Phillip and 1 from the Suburban Allotments in the Parish of Jika Jika near Melbourne to the Village Reserve in the Parish of Kilmenbick. From the representation of the Trustees of the Road from the Parish of Jika Jika to the Village of Kilmenbick it appears this Road has never been proclaimed, or the act carried out which consequently renders the trustees liable to actions if they expence the Tolls thereon. I beg leave

to bring this matter under your consideration so as to satisfy the parties concerned.- I believe all the Roads and Streets are similarly circumstanced in the District of Port Phillip (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To His Hona The Superintendant

№ 49/36 January 27th It is with extreme regret I have to inform your Honor of the death of Mr Assistant Surveyor W.W. Bowse while surveying the South Western Branch of the Loddon River near Mount Cole. As the above Branch formed part of the Boundary of the County of Talbot which the Surveyor General was anxious to have surveyed: I have instructed Mr Asgood Pritchard who has been some time employed as Draftsman in this office to proceed without delay to the Loddon and take Charge of Mr Bowse's party and continue the Survey I therefore beg your Honor will have the goodness to sanction the employment of Mr Pritchard as Assistant Surveyor with a Salary of £200 per annum and an allowance of £100 per annum in lieu of Equipment with the usual Rations of provisions and forage (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To J.C. Tyers C. Comm[r]

№ 49/37 January 27th In my letter of the Inst № 49 I omitted to mention that the work which Mr Stevens has lodged in this Office viz:- Survey of part of Gipps Land extending from McMillans Station on the River Avon Eastward to within about 4 miles of McGuinness Creek and part of Mitchell Co. Roads from Osborne Station to Kings and Cunks running into that River — has to be connected with other Surveys and with each other I have therefore furnished Mr Dawson with Tracings of Mr Stevens Plans for your information (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To Mr Lonsdale Sub-Treasurer

№ 49/38 January 27th I beg you will have the goodness to cause a statement to be furnished me for the information of The Secretary of State of the pay of the Undermentioned Officers and their parties from 1st January to 31st December 1840 viz:-

Mr Surveyor Wade
Mr Assistant Surveyor White
——— do ——— De Little
——— do ——— Wedge
——— do ——— Stevens and also the amount paid to Mr G.D. Smythe during the above period for various Surveys (Signed) Robert Hoddle

Thos De Little Asst Surveyor — No 49/39 January 29th I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your pay Abstracts for November & December last and also your progress journal for the same period and have to request you will pay strict attention to my Instructions already given you relative to the transmission of your letters to me under cover to His Honor The Superintendent your not having done so in this case has caused postage of 1/6 to be charged which amount I have ordered to be placed to your account. (Signed) R Hoddle

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To His Honor The Superintendent — No 49/40 January 31st In accordance with your Honors Circular date 22nd Inst No 49/39 I have the honor to forward an estimate of the probable expenditure of the Port Phillip Branch of the Surveyor Generals Department for the ensuing year 1850 together with the several separate returns specified under the head of "Contingencies" and beg to make the following Remarks:— With regard to the increased Establishment I consider it absolutely necessary in order to enable me to complete the General Survey of the District as soon as possible, that the Government may be in a position to Grant Leases of Runs in the intermediate and unsettled districts also for the measurement of Lands for Sale to meet the very great and increasing demands from Parties desirous to purchase; and I also require an additional number of Draftsmen to Copy and reduce the various surveys as they are received and to complete a General Map of the District — In the Return of Buildings the accomodation afforded the department at the present time must only be considered as Temporary I have estimated for a suitable building to be erected at a probable expense of £200 which I trust your Honor will strongly recommend — The Regulations 29 March last and the consequent increase in the Correspondence require at least two Clerks in the office which will enable Mr Draftsman Buckley to devote his whole time to drawing at present occupied in office duties attending on the Public (Signed) Robert Hoddle

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The Surveyor General — No 49/41 January 31st I have the Honor to forward the two forms of Annual Returns of the Branch of Your Department as noted in the margin required by the Secretary of State for the Colonies I beg leave to state that I was unable to procure until the 29th the correct amount of Contingent Expenditure of the Department for the last year and am sorry that any delay should have occurred in the transmission of these Returns at the period you required

Geo. A. Smythe Contract Surveyor — No 49/46 February 6th As two Contract Surveyors have been appointed to Survey the Gipps Land District under the directions of Mr Crown Commr Tyers I have to request you will not survey to a greater distance inland from the Coast line than three miles in a straight line and in order that the other Surveyors may be able to connect their work with yours you will have the goodness to leave durable marks at the termination of your Surveys on the Creeks and Rivers in your progress along the Coast

(Signed) R.H.

John Bear Melbourne — No 49/42 February 2nd Referring to your letter of date 1st Instant I beg leave to inform you that in accordance with your request you will be permitted to amend your Application for a Lease of Crown Land under the 16th Clause of the Regulations of 29th March 1848 (2 W.D. 11)

Wm Purlonge — No 49/43 February 3rd I beg to inform you that Mr John Bear also claims Portion No 3 in the Parish of Yan Yean in the exercise of his pre-emptive right — You will therefore manage the settlement of this Section in the same manner and at the same time as the others (Signed) Robt Hoddle.

The Surveyor General — No 49/44 February 6th I have the Honor to forward a Return of Suburban Land in the Port Phillip District which has been approved of by His Honor The Superintendent and beg that the several lots enumerated may be brought forward for Sale by Auction as soon as possible (Signed) Robert Hoddle. —

Nelson & Fordham

His Honor The Superintendent — No 49/45 February 6th As I fear that the General Survey of the Murray District at present carried on by Mr Assist Surveyor Hodge will not be sufficiently advanced to enable the orders in Council regarding Leases to be carried into effect. I beg leave to suggest to your Honor the Employment of a second Asst Surveyor in that District — Mr Crown Commr Smythe has informed me that the Gentleman named in the margin is well qualified in every respect for the duty and should your Honor be pleased to approve of this addition that you will have the goodness to sanction his appointment as a Temporary Asst Surveyor under the direction and control of Mr Smythe (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

Edward Barrett

The Surveyor General — No 49/47 February 6th I have the Honor to forward a Return of Country Land in the Port Phillip District which has been approved of by His Honor The Superintendent and beg that the several lots enumerated may be brought forward for Sale by Auction as soon as possible (Signed) Robert Hoddle. —

Nelson & Fordham

To H. Lyons Esqre C.C. Lands

№ 49/47 February 6th I beg to enclose the copy of a letter I this day addressed to Mr Geo. A. Smythe relative to the Survey of the Lipps Land East which I hope will enable Messrs Williamson & Dawson to connect their work with Mr Smythe's and avoid any clashing in their Surveys (Signed) Robt Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent

№ 49/48 February 6th I have the honor to enclose the copy of a letter received from Mr Wm. S. Urquhart requesting that his Salary as an Assistant Surveyor might be increased In recommending this application to your Honors favorable consideration I beg to state that I have on all occasions found Mr Urquhart most efficient & zealous in the discharge of his duties — The Honorable The Colonial Secretary in his letter to The Surveyor General № 44/51 dated 19th Feby 1846 (a copy of which I enclose) Conveys only an intimation that His Excellency the Governor considered it necessary that the usual increase to Offices in this department should cease and Also that as the increase had been sanctioned by The Secretary of State the present order would only be a Temporary one subject to Lord Stanleys approval I trust therefore that your Honor will recommend to His Excellency the Governor that the increase granted last year to the Clerks in the Service of the Colonial Government for long Service and good Conduct may also be extended to the Officers of the Surveyor Generals Department (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent

№ 49/49 February 6th I have the honor to enclose for your Honors information The Return of the Port Phillip Branch of the Surveyor Generals Department for the Month of January 1849.

To The Surveyor General

Schedules Enclosed

№ 49/50 February 8 I have the honor to enclose Schedules of Town, Suburban, and Country Lands applied for by parties desirous to purchase and approved of by His Honor the Superintendent I beg to recommend that the several lots may be brought forward for Sale by Auction as early in the next Quarter as possible.

(Signed) R.H.

To The Surveyor General

Report Enclosed

№ 49/51 February 8th I have the honor to forward a report of country Lands in the Port Phillip District selected under the 11 Clause of the Regulations of the 1st March 1843 P.N.H.

To W.H. Smythe &c Lands

№ 49/52 February 8th In reply to your letter of 24th Ulto — requiring from what part of the Town the mile specified by Act of Council is to be measured to determine the position of the Burial Grounds I beg to state that I referred your letter to His Honor the Superintendent who has written to Sydney on the subject — but this will not prevent you selecting the Allotments you consider necessary to reserve for markets and public purposes also those you wish to recommend for sale by Auction. Much time has been lost already and I am anxious that these last should be brought forward with as little delay as possible to meet the present demands. R.H.

To The Surveyor General

№ 49/53 February 9th I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter № 49/54 dated 31st Ulto — received this morning, and in reply beg leave to inform you, that the map constructed by me, is in the hands of Mr Draftsman Bayly to take a Tracing to be completed without loss of time, and to observe that at present Mr Bayly is the only Draftsman in the Office, except Mr Buckley whose time is taken up with the Public, and in Clerical duties. With reference to Harris map, I believe it to be as correct as a map can be formed, not wholly surveyed. In the course of a few days another amended edition will be issued and I will if you desire send a copy. I should observe that tracings of Surveys have been allowed to be made by His Honor the Superintendent I do not consider myself responsible for many inaccuracies in such a publication. I have every wish that the Public should obtain every information and I regret that mere sketches should be introduced into the surveyed portions of a map that has considerable merit (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To David Lennox Supt of Bridges

Copy & Sketch Enclosed

№ 49/54 February 9th I beg to forward the copy of a letter received from Mr Wedge, together with a sketch of the Seven Creeks at Kirkland. You will perceive the reason of Mr Kirkland wishing to have the Bridge higher up the stream I think the site suggested by Mr Wedge between the two crossing places most eligible (Signed) R.H. —

To D'Arcy Hughan Ass't Surveyor

No 49/55 Feby 9th Mr Sutchard having been appointed Assistant Surveyor in place of the late Mr Howe I beg you will have the goodness to give him written instructions as to the portion of work you would wish him to complete I think the Survey of the Range from the Tyrences Eastward to where you left off being the boundaries of the Counties of Talbot, Ripon, & Grant, would suit him, unless there are any creeks running into the Avoca or Loddon that require Surveying. Vide application of the 1st Ulto. I received, and forwarded a Copy to His Honor the Superintendent with a letter strongly recommending it. I enclose the Provision Vouchers you requested R.H.

To C. Sutchard Ass't Surveyor

No 49/56. February 9th In reply to your letter of the 2nd Instant I have to request you will without delay communicate with Mr Hughan who will instruct you as to the work which you will have to perform As soon as you have completed McMills Creek from its Confluence with the Loddon up to its source near Mr Cole shewing the two upper branches (1) R.H.

To His Honor the Superintendent

No 49/57 February 10th With reference to your Honors minute on Mr Mollisons letter to your Honor of the 30th Ulto. I beg leave to state that the present line of Road passes thro' the Proposed Reserve for a Village situated at the South East end of the Kilmore Special Survey. If the Sydney Road is to pass thro' Kilmore Mr Foot cannot make any alteration there for the better There is a line of Road which passes 5 miles to the East of Kilmore avoiding the Big Hill, which is a more direct line to the Goulburn, where it joins the Sydney Road at Fergusons Bridge which line of Road is now being marked out and will be reported on as soon as finished by Mr Foote R.H.

To J.A. Gregory Geelong

No 49/58. February 10th I beg to state that I laid your letter of the 29th Ulto before His Honor The Superintendent and am directed to acquaint you, that your request to have a part of the Village Reserve Surveyed and put up for Sale cannot be complied with

(Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/59 February 12th I beg leave to forward to your Honor the Enclosed Return of Stations within the Settled Districts to be Licensed from the 1st of January to the 30th June 1849 and to remark that all the applications which are marked with Red Ink on the left hand of the occupants name have been applied for at this Office under the Regulations of 24th March 1848 in form Schedule B, and that the figures marked in Blue Ink shew the difference of extent of Run claimed under these Regulations. — I should consider that these Stations as applied for in this Return cannot be Licensed until the pre-emptive right claim Schedule A is disposed of and the sections in which Licensed occupants claim to purchase 30 acres of Land under the Notice of 24th Nov. 1848. are ascertained as both these take precedence of Schedule B*

not in letter

Names not in List applied for under Schedule B for the County Bourke J. Slaughton, D. Delaney, John Dogherty, J. Moorhouse C. Collins, B. Lawford, F.W. Cleyon, & P. Cahill. — — — — —

* There are also a number of other parties not included in this Return who have applied for Leases of Land under Schedule B as well as those who have sent in Application to Your Honors Office under the impression that their Runs were situated in the intermediate District which prove to be within the Settled District these must all be classed under Schedule B (Signed) R.H.

To Geo Russell Geelong

No 49/60. February 12th I beg to inform you Mr G. Mercer claims Sections 13. 14. 20. 21. and 22 in the Parish of Gheringhap, and Nos 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. & 21 of Murgebolac. Mr Wills Claims 13 & 14 of Gheringhap and 6. 7. 16. & 17 of Murgebolac. John Learmouth claims 14 & 20 of Gheringhap and Mr. S. Brook by James Graham his Atty claims 14. 21. of Gheringhap and 16. 7. & 18 of Murgebolac in the Exercise of their pre-emptive right you will therefore settle the division of these lands amongst yourselves in accordance with the provisions of the 19 Clause of the Regulations of 24 March 1848 If I am not informed of the result of such division before the 27 proximo the Leases of the Land to circumstances will be offered for sale by Auction and the Public admitted as competitors for the same

(Signed) R.H.

To J.B. Neve Brighton

No 49/61 February 15th I beg to inform you that your pre-emption right as a purchaser of Crown Lands would appear Completely set aside. 1st by the Common-age right conceded to small occupants of purchased land by the Surveyor Generals letter of date 31st October 1848 No 48/2235 and letter from the Colonial Secretary of date 17th Novr 1848 of which I enclose copies; which of course prevents your occupying any Crown Lands contiguous to your purchased land. 2nd By the 6th Clause of the Regulations of 29th March 1848. which enacts that no land within 5 miles from the City of Melbourne shall be open to sale. This subject has been fully brought under the notice of the Government by His Honor the Superintendent in shewing the effects of these late Regulations upon the pre-emption right of the purchaser of land in this District (Sd) Robert Hoddle.

To A.J. Skene Asst Surveyor

Belfast No 4 6 Acres

No 49/62. February 14th With reference to my letter to you No 48/975 of 18th December last I am now directed by His Honor the Superintendt to acquaint you that you are to proceed with the Subdivision of the Reserve opposite Belfast. You therefore will mark it out in portions varying from 2 to 5 acres according to the situation leaving a road a chain Wide. (Sd) R. Hoddle.

To The Surveyor Genral

No 49/63 February 15th I have the honor to forward the enclosed Schedule of Town Allotments at "Benalla" (applied for by persons desirous to purchase) approved of by His Honor the Superintendent and recommended to be put up to Auction as soon as possible. (Signed) R. H.

To The Surveyor Genral

No 49/64 February 15th I have the honor to forward the enclosed Schedule of Town Allotments at "Wangaratta" (applied for by persons desirous to purchase) approved of by His Honor the Superintendent and recommended to be put up to Auction as soon as possible. R.H.

To H.C. Rawnsley Adelaide

No 49/65. February 15th Referring again to your letter dated 19 Oct last in which you request to be informed, whether I have employment for a Surveyor. The subject I have again brought before His Honor the Superintendent, who desires me to say that if Mr Burn made his appearance at Melbourne he would give him employment as Asst Surveyor the salary being £200 - per annum and £100 - per annum in lieu of Equipment with Forage & Rations while in the Field If the appointment is worth Mr Burn's acceptance he must without loss of time let me know as I have urgent duties to perform R.H.

To Wm. L Urquhart Asst Surveyor Bunn Bank

No 49/66. February 15th I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st Inst enclosing your progress Journal for January, which is very satisfactory. — My letter to you of the 9th Inst No 49/55 (which no doubt you have received by this time) will have explained my wishes regarding the portion of work that would answer Mr Pritchard viz the range from the head of Burrumbeet Creek Eastward to the head of the Yarrowee, and from the head of the Eastern branch of the Monarboot where you left off to the principal source of the Monarboot which will complete the dividing Range.

(Signed) Robt Hoddle

To O. Pritchard — Asst Surveyor

No 49/67. February 15th In reply to your letter of the 12th Inst I have to request you will draw rations at Bunn Bank for yourself and party in the same manner as Mr Urquhart does and with regard to the Survey of the Range I have written to Mr Urquhart who will point out the portions not yet completed and any necessary information which you may require. Enclosed are the forms you Requested R.H.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/68. February 16th I beg leave to inform your Honor that a "straight edge" is very much required in the Draftsmans Room of this office and a very good one has been offered me by Mr Nevins for £5 — I trust your honor will have the goodness to sanction the purchase of it at that price which I consider reasonable. (Signed) R.H.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/69 February 16th In accordance with your Honors request I have the honor to enclose the copy of a letter I receive this morning from the Surveyor Genral relative to the Reserves to be made ~~under~~ in Towns & Villages (Signed) Robt Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/70 February 17th Referring to Your Honors minute respecting the manner in which small portions the 67 acres at Port Fairy claimed by Mr Atkinson to be put up for sale in one lot. I beg to state that as several applications have been made for small portions of the above land it will perhaps be desirable to put them up as Suburban Allotments so as to prevent the remaining Land orders depriving the public of competing for them

(Signed) R.H.

To Wm. J. Urquhart Asst Surveyor

№49/71 February 19th As the Surveyor General has directed that the various reserves recommended by the Crown Commrs should be reported on by the Officers of this Department. I have to request you will as opportunities offer, make your report on the following proposed reserves, as regards their situation, quality of soil, water, and the licensed stations they trench upon viz- Crossing place of the Loddon near Mr Campens. The Northern extremity Serpentine Creek. Johnstones Inn Serpentine creek. D. Campbells (Campers Ground Bullock Creek. Hawkins Inn Wm Alexander (Large). Crossing place of the Coliban either at Mollisons or Orrs. Burn Bank Inn (Large). Inn Crow Hill. Carpenters Inn. Sunday Morning Hill and Koiyoor Loddon. Near Mr Simpsons Charlotte Plains. Barangong (9 Square miles) Bowling Forest (4 sections). Cummingtraines Public House (2 sections) Between Donalds & Hamiltons and Goldsmiths. (1 section) Burrumbeet Lake. Chepstowe Bench Mount Emu. Harlands Inn on the Wimmera N.S. Clarke). Gleeson Inn W. Boyd. Basham Bounding on Wilson & Mrs. Barlot & Mc Lachlan. Richardson River 30 miles from Mr Cole. Avoca River 40 miles from Mr Cole. Murray River at Swan Hill Allan Cameron and N.S. Clarke 6 miles from Harlands Inn (1 section).

RH.

To Henry Wade Surveyor

Western Creek

№49/72 February 19th I have this day received from Mr A. McDonald in application to purchase 50 acres of Land about 3 miles west of the Crawford Inn on the Crawford River Should you pass near the place on your return to Portland, you will examine the locality and if you find there is a large quantity of good land in the neighbourhood fit for agricultural purposes and likely to be required you can mark off some special country Lots from 50 to 80 acres There is already a Reserve at the crossing place of 640 acres a sketch of which I enclose (Signed) Robt Hoddle

To Henry Wade Surveyor

№49/73 February 19th As the Surveyor General has directed that the various reserves recommended by the Commissioners of Crown Lands should be reported on by the Officers of this Department. I have to request you will as opportunities offer make your report to me on the following Reserves as regards situation, quality of soil, Water and the Licensed Stations they form a portion of viz:-
Mount Sturgeon (4 sections). Mannon Ford (4 sections) Arrowgonny

1 Section). River Glenelg or bend of River (Munytagee 4 Sections). Glenelg or branch (Donaldsons 2 Sections). Glenelg Pearsons or Norgula River 2 lic on each side of the River. Merinos Downs Fontains (2 lic^s). (640 acres already marked by you). Bryants creek Bells Public House (4 sections). towards Mr Gambier (2 Sections) Manarbool Public House (4 sections) Chumsides Mr Pelham (4 Sections) Head of Glenelg at a great Bend of River towards Mr Airey's (6 or 8 Sections) Miss Whytes Known a Roseite Creek (4 Sections) Mumthaul (1 Section)

(Signed) R. Hoddle.

To The Surveyor General. 3 January 1849 №49/74 Tracing of map.

№49/74 February 20th With reference to your letter of date and No as per Margin I have the honor to forward a tracing from the Map in this Office on a scale of 8 miles to an inch. With regard to the Survey in Gipps Land I have instructed Mr Pyers to have the work sent in by Mr Nevins connected with Mr Townsends Survey as soon as possible. I shall then be enabled to send you a tracing on the half inch scale of the whole of the Gipps Land Surveys. (Signed) Robt Hoddle.

To The Surveyor General

№49/75 February 20th I beg to forward for your information one of Arms maps of the Port Phillip District (2nd Edition) And to state that the portions Surveyed by the Government shewn on Arms map is tolerably accurate The other portions viz:- The Upper part of the Glenelg, Wimmera, Avoca, Loddon &c have I believe been taken from private Surveys (Signed) Robt Hoddle.

The Surveyor General

№49/76 February 21st I beg leave to state that the following Allotments at "Mingaralta" have been recommended to be reserved by Mr Crown Commissioner Lang the for the purposes stated viz:-
Triangular portion between Section 10 & 11 Police Office
Allot 9 & 10 of Section 10 — for Market
South Allot of Section 3 " a church
Allot 7 of Sec^n 12 and 2 of Sec^n 8 — Public purposes
which I hope will meet with your approval RH.

To The Surveyor General

№49/77 February 21st I beg leave to state that the following Allotments at Benalla have been recommended to be reserved by Mr Crown Commissioner Lang the for

the purposes stated viz:- Allotment № 2 of Section L for a Police Office.- 9 and 10 of Section I. Market reserve.- Triangular portion Church Reserve. Allotment 9 of Sec.r I and 2 of Section D Public purposes.- The large portion forming the River Flat and lying between the S.E. portion of Benalla recommended as a Town Common or recreation ground for the advantage of the Inhabitants.- (Signed) Robt. Hoddle.

To Alex.r Skene Assist. Surveyor

Plan enclosed / Copy of Letter

№ 49/78 February 21st. I am directed by His Honor the Superintendent to forward to you the enclosed copy of a plan received by His Honor from Mr. William Rutledge together with a copy of Mr. Rutledges letter and request you will mark out a road a chain wide from the proposed ferry at the Murri River at A to join the road at the North Boundary at B as shewn on plan & then and agreed upon this Day by Mr. Rutledge (Pd) R.H.

J.A. Gregory Esq.re Geelong

№ 49/79. February 21 I am directed by His Honor the Superintendent to acquaint you that under the circumstances stated in your letter His Honor has consented to have some Allotments from 15 to 20 acres each marked out at the S.E. corner of the Village Reserve on the Barwon River near the Breakwater and instructions will be sent accordingly to Mr. Assistant Surveyor Clarke. (Signed) Robt. Hoddle.

To Lindsay Clarke Asst. Surveyor

№ 49/80 February 21st. Immediately after completing the marking out of the Allotments between the Moorabool and Cowies Creek. I have to request you will proceed with your party to the Village Reserve opposite the junction of the Moorabool and Barwon and mark out Allotments from 15 to 20 acres each of the Reserve with a frontage to the Barwon River commencing from the S.W. corner. Also to mark out acre Allotments at the Melting Establishment of Mr. Dennys and at the Tanning and Woolwashing of 2 chains frontage to the River and 5 chains back. You will then inspect the Allotments at the S.E. corner of the Geelong Reserve below the Dam. and see if the marks at the corners of the Allotment measured by A.W.H. Smythe in 1841 as in Section № 2 are proper if not to remark them according to the references given. You will

also mark Allotments on the opposite Bank of the River to correspond preserving if possible the section lines. The Crown Commissioners having recommended a few Allotments to be measured at Limeburners Point. You will therefore produce the dividing line of Suburban 67 of Section 1 West of Lonsdale which will cut off sufficient of the point to allow you to measure from high water mark for 8 allotments of 2 acres each.- As there is still a good deal of Land which requires to be measured about Melbourne I trust you will lose no time in completing this Work (Pd) R.H.-

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e "	66		II		W Oak	270	65	IX
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To The Surveyor General

№ 49/81 February 23rd. I have the honor to enclose the copy of a letter I addressed to his Honor the Superintendent, relative to the subdivision of the portion of 67 acres at Port Fairy and classing the lots as Suburbans and am directed by his Honor to enquire if you consider it proper to make Suburbans where no Government township has been laid out. (Signed) Robert Hoddle.-

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To Chas. Wedge Jun.r Melbourne

№ 49/82 February 23rd. I beg to inform you that there appears to be some irregularity in your application for a Lease of Crown Lands under the 16th Clause of Regulations of 29 March 1848. as you have signed that application in your own name, and in settling the disputed lands with your neighbours you have signed Charles Wedge Jun.r for J.H. Wedge.- I have therefore to request that you amend your application as early as possible.- (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent

№ 49/83 February 26th. Referring to Your Honors minute of this date requesting me to report upon an application from the Town Council to His Excellency the Governor, soliciting a grant of Land for the Erection of Public Slaughter Houses.

This novel application to introduce Slaughter Houses near the Town appears contrary to the usual opinion of the Inhabitants of other parts of the World. The noxsome effluvia arising from the Slaughtering of Cattle is too well known to

the Inhabitants of the West end of the City of Melbourne, and admitting that more stringent regulations will be observed, than at the present it would be a nuisance and the further from the City the better. The present Melting Establishments in my opinion are quite near enough for the purpose intended & by the outlay of a few Hundred Pounds a good road could be made which would obviate the present objection. Batmans Hill is the most ornamental and delightfule promenade for this end of the City and the absurdity of ornamenting it by the erection of a public Slaughter House is too ridiculous to say any more on the subject. (Signed) Robt Hoddle.

To His Honor the Superintendent

No 49/84. February 26th. I beg leave to call your Honors attention to the small quantity of Land in this district which has been published for sale on the 14th of next month and to state that a number of Applicants desirous to purchase are anxiously waiting the sale of the Suburban Allotments near Cape Nelson in the Portland Bay District Geelong near this Town, and also the Allotments recommended at the new Townships of Benalla and Wangaratta. I would therefore suggest to your Honor that another Sale of Land in this District be held as early in April next as possible. (Signed) R Hoddle.

To A. Thomson Geelong

No 49/85. February 27th. Referring to your Applications of date 30th August 1848 for Leases of Crown Lands under the 22nd Clause of the Regulations of 29th March 1848. I find that you have forwarded no description of the Runs applied for. May I therefore request that you will obtain a description of the Runs as early as possible so as to enable me to mark out the 30 acre portions claimed by you under the notice of 21st November 1848. (Dy) RH.

To O. Pritchard Asst Surveyor

No 49/86. February 27. On examining your last reduced plan of the County of Talbot I found it so extremely inaccurate that I have been obliged to have many portions of it sponged out and drawn afresh by Mr Bayly. I mention this circumstance in order that you may be more careful for the future and I regret exceedingly that so neat a production in outline should have been so carelessly executed in detail. Dy RH.

To W.S. Urquhart Asst Surveyor

No 49/87. February 27th. As I find that the Survey of a portion of the Northern Boundary of the County of Heytesbury by the Range dividing the Waters of the Mumma and Hopkins Rivers extending from Mount William easterly towards Mt Cole has been overlooked I beg you will have the goodness to include it in your instructions. (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To D.A. Gregory Geelong

No 49/88. February 28th. In reply to your note of the 26th Inst. I have to inform you that the Southwest portion of the Village Reserve near the Confluence of the Moorabool with the Barwon Rivers above the Falls and on the South side of the Little River is in the spot Mr Clarke has been instructed to mark out Allotments for Sale RH.

To D.L. Clarke Asst Surveyor

No 49/89. February 28th. I find on examining your rough plans of the Subdivision of Sections in the Parishes of Cut-paw-paw, Scoutta Galla, and Maribyrnong that no reference is given to the various Contestable. I therefore request you will furnish without delay the references required as the plans cannot be forwarded to the Surveyor General until completed. (Dy) RH.

To His Honor the Superintendent

No 49/90. February 28th. Referring to the Colonial Secretary's letter of date 26 February 1849 No 49/120 acknowledging the receipt of your Honors letter of the 17th Jany 1849 No 7 recommending that all applications for the occupation of Land within the Settled Districts under the 16th Clause of the Regulations of 29th March last received at the Survey Office Melbourne before the 30th September may be entertained also that any Applications under the 22nd Clause for the Lease of Sections found to be within the Settled District declined even after that date should obtain consideration I beg leave to state for your Honors information that the notice from the Colonial Secretary's Office of date 10th July 1848 informing the Public that the necessary forms to be used were forwarded to the Police districts for delivery appeared in the Port Phillip Government Gazette on the 19 July 1848 but that the forms were not received at the Police Office until the latter end of August and that more had.

had been forwarded to me until about the 25th of August and they were not received in the Geelong District until the 28th August, under these circumstances it was almost impossible that parties requiring Leases residing at a distance from Melbourne or Geelong could forward their applications within the time specified by the Regulations (Signed) R.H.

To Wm Pulbrace — No 49/91 March 1st Referring to your letter of date 22 Feby 1849 relative to Section No 3 Parish of Bulla Bulla County of Bourke claimed by yourself and Mr Greene under the 11 Clause of the regulations of 29 March 1848. I beg to state that you have failed to inform me in whose name the license for the said section is to be made. I have therefore to request that you will let me know this at your earliest convenience R.H.

To The Surveyor General — No 49/93 March 2nd I am directed by His Honor the Superintendent to transmit to you the enclosed copy of the Official Notice of demands for Lease of Crown Lands in the Portland Bay District received at the Superintendents Office from parties who have been in Licensed Occupation for 12 months previous to the publication of the order in Council and to state that as soon as I receive the Surveyors reports on the portions of the Runs claimed in the various districts recommended to be reserved I shall forward to you a detailed statement for your information and approval. R. Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent — No 49/93 March 2nd I beg to forward for Your Honors information the report of this Branch of the Surveyor Generals Department for the last month. (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

To His Honor The Superintendent — No 49/94 March 7th I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Honors minute requiring my Report on the application for a Road through Sections 11 & 12 in the Parish of Bulla Bulla The latter has not been offered for Sale The former was selected 28 Ults. This application is for the sole accomodation of the Cattle of the applicant which if granted becomes a precedent and will require an additional Strength to the Department and render less valuable to any future purchaser the Section thro'

which the Road passes Major Pulbrace has already a Road of occupation and can drive his Cattle to the Village Reserve like others similarly circumstanced (Signed) R.H.

To The Surveyor General — No 49/95 March 7th I have the honor to forward for your information a Report of County Land selected in accordance with the 11 Clause of the Regulations of 1st March 1848. (Signed) Robt Hoddle.

To The Surveyor General. — No 49/96 March 7th With reference to my letter of date and No as per Margin transmitting plan shewing the Allotments measured and marked out for an English Church, School, and Parsonage at East Melbourne I have the honor to state that The Lord Bishop of Melbourne and the Trustees have considered it desirable that certain alterations should be made in the plan of the ground allotted as sites for the School and Parsonage and have the honor to forward a plan shewing the alterations made and fresh descriptions of the three sites. R.H.

To The Surveyor General — plan & descriptions forwarded — No 49/97 March 10th I have the honor to forward a plan of the Sections in the Parish of Out Paw Paw subdivided by Mr Lindsay Clarke on the approved application of parties desirous to purchase together with the several descriptions of the same. Robt Hoddle.

To The Surveyor General — plan & descriptions forwarded — No 49/98 March 10th I have the honor to forward a plan shewing the Sections in the Parish of Doutta Galla which have been subdivided by Mr Lindsay Clarke on the approved applications of parties desirous to purchase together with the several descriptions Robt H.

To The Surveyor General — No 49/99 March 10th I have the honor to forward a plan of the Sections in the parish of Maribyrnong subdivided by Mr Lindsay Clarke with approved applications of parties desirous to purchase together with the several descriptions (Signed) R Hoddle.

The Surveyor General

Plan & description enclosed

N° 49/100 March 12th I have the honor to enclose a plan shewing the Allotments at the Village of Pentridge selected by the Lord Bishop of Melbourne for the Church of England as sites for a "Church" "School" and "Parsonage" together with descriptions of the same Signed Robert Hoddle.

The Surveyor General

Plan & description enclosed

N° 49/101 March 12th I have the honor to enclose a plan shewing the portions of Land at St Kilda chosen by the Lord Bishop of Melbourne for the Church of England as sites for a "Church" "School" and "parsonage" together with the descriptions of the same. D° R Hoddle.

The Surveyor General

Plan & description enclosed

N° 49/102 March 12th In accordance with your letter N° 45/236 dated 4th Nov 1848 I have the honor to forward a plan shewing the Allotments at Melbourne selected by the Lord Bishop of Melbourne for the Church of England as sites for Church School and parsonage together with descriptions of the same D° R H.

The Surveyor General

N° 49/103 March 12th I have the honor to enclose a Schedule of Suburban and Country lots in the P.P. District applied for by parties desirous to purchase and approved of by his Honor the Superintendent and beg that the Sunday lots may be (from the urgent demand for land of the above description) brought forward with as little delay as possible. D° R H.

His Honor The Superintendent

N° 49/104 March 10th Having in obedience to your Honors instructions, conferred with the acting Crown Commissioner of the County of Bourke on the Subject of Your Honors minute of the 14th Ults:— I have the honor to recommend that for Brickmaking Allotments of one acre each be marked in Suburban Allo Section N° 16 Doutta Galla on the Moonee ponds near Mains Bridge, and also in a triangular piece a little lower down where good potters clay is found.— Woolwashing and Tanning that half acre lots be laid out on the South side of the Yarra with a frontage to the River of 1 chain each and One Acre lots in the rear of these.— Boat Building one acre lots on the South side of the Yarra with frontage of 1 chain each. Ship Building from 1 to 2 acres lots also on the South side of the River with frontage of 2 chains each. With regard to Boiling down Establishments I consider the Allotments formerly marked by me for Mr Raleigh, below the junction of the Salt water River and the Yarra are most suitable.— Limeburning I am not aware of any ground near Melbourne where good lime stone is to be found. R D Hoddle

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His Honor The Superintendent

March 7th With reference to the different applications for a sum of money for the repair of the Roads & Bridges in the Gipps Land District and there being a difference of opinion as to the eligibility of the present Route We think it would be desirable that a survey of the line of Road towards Alberton should be made as we are of opinion that the present line towards Flooding Creek is very objectionable from the great quantity of Swampy land passed over which we understand might be avoided by going nearer the Sea Coast. It is worth an inspection (S) Robt Hoddle & E. Lennox

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His Honor The Superintendent

Remark endorsed

Sketch enclosed

N° 49/105 March 12th I have the honor to return the letter addressed by the Lord Bishop of Melbourne to Your Honor enclosing the descriptions of the different appropriations for Church of England purposes and to state that I have forwarded to the Surveyor General the plans and descriptions of the appropriations at the following places viz: "Melbourne" "St Kilda" and "Pentridge".— With regard to the land required at "Richmond" in Suburban N° 35 I beg to enclose a sketch shewing more fully the proposed sites which when approved of by His Excellency the Governor I will mark out and forward a plan and description of the same to the Surveyor General. (S) Robt Hoddle.

Police Magistrate Geelong

N° 49/106. March 12th I have the honor to forward a plan of the Town of Geelong and also of the Suburbans in — Moorpanyal, & Barrabool for the use of the Police Office Geelong. D° R Hoddle.

G Robertson Lake Colac.

No 49/107 March 12th In reply to your letter of the 7th Feby received this morning enclosing an application to purchase land within the Reserve at Colac I beg to state that I referred the matter to His Honor the Superintendent who has directed me to inform you that he has no objection to a few lots of 10 acres being marked in the locality named and as soon as there is a Surveyor at liberty the lots will be measured. (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

J Dawson Esqr. Warrnigal

No 49/108 March 13th I have the honor to enclose the copy of a letter received from the Colonial Secretary by His Honor the Superintendent relative to a Burial Ground for the inhabitants of Warrnigal and am directed to enquire whether the Inhabitants have any other suggestion to make on the subject RH.

Copy

No 49/1140 Colonial Secretary's Office Sydney 26 Feby 1849.
In acknowledgement of receipt of your Honors letter of the 11th Inst. No 49/22 respecting the difficulty of providing a Burial Ground for the inhabitants of Warrnigal in Consequence of the act of Council 6 Geo IV No 21 rendering it necessary that such an establishment should be at least 1 mile from any town or township I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to observe that this is not a matter of Regulation but a law over which the Government have no control (Sd) W Elyard Junr.

Chas Jno Dennys Geelong

No 49/109 March 13th In reply to your letter of the 16th Inst I beg to inform you that His Honor the Superintendent has decided that the Allotments to be marked by Mr Clarke for Melting Establishments shall not exceed 5 acres each (Sd) Robt Hoddle.

Lindsay Clarke Asst Surveyor

No 49/110 March 13th With reference to that portion of your instructions relative to the marking of acre allotments at the Melting Establishment of Mr C J Dennys I have to request you will measure them in portions not exceeding 5 acres instead of one acre each (Signed) RH.

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Lindsay Clarke Asst Surveyor

No 49/111 March 14th With reference to your letter of the 10th Inst I beg to refer you to my letter of yesterdays date which you will pay strict attention to preserving the line of road —

towards Colac from the Breakwater of 1 chain in width — — — (Sd) R Hoddle.

The Surveyor General

Report enclosed

No 49/112. March 16th I have the honor to forward a report of Sale by Auction of Sundry Suburban Lands in the Port Phillip District held at Melbourne on Wednesday 14th day of March 1849 in accordance with the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor dated 10th February 1849. and under the Conditions of the Act of Parliament 5th & 6th Victoria Chap 36 (Sd) RH.

His Honor The Superintendent

No 49/113. March 19. With reference to your Honors minute on letter addressed by Mr J P Bingley to your Honor of the 16th Inst I have the Honor to state that Mr Urquhart was laying off the section lines preparatory to marking the portions applied for by the Messrs Bingley at the time he was recalled for the General Survey and the repeated enquiries of Mr J P Bingley at this office of the probable time these lands would be put up to auction he has been informed that nothing further could be done until the Survey was finished by Mr Urquhart and plans and descriptions sent in. With regard to the Land in Moonpanyal which the Messrs Bingley applied for Mr Clarke has surveyed it and as soon as the plans and description of the Allotments are Completed by that Officer I will lose no time in forwarding them to Sydney and recommend them to be brought forward for sale during the next quarter if possible. I beg to observe that the Lands applied for to purchase by the Messrs Bingley on the Leigh River are situated in the Intermediate District Signed RH.

Henry Gunn Esqr Clerk of Works

No 49/1114 March 19. Having sent in a requisition some time ago for two tables. portfolios &c. I would feel obliged by your informing me when it is likely I shall receive the same as they are very much wanted in this Office Dr RH.

Henry Gunn Esqr Clerk of Works

No 49/115. March 21st I beg to forward the accompanying notice and list of approved Selections of Crown Lands under the Pre-emptive right which his Honor requests may be published without delay and to request that the proof may be sent to this Office for revision Dr RH.

His Honor The Superintendent

Dº 49/116. 21st March. I beg leave again to bring under your Honors notice the accompanying return of Stations within the Settled Districts proposed to be licensed from the 1st July to the 30th June 1849. and to remark that the granting these Licenses is virtually setting aside the Regulations of 29 March 1848. 1st Clause 6 of the Regulations enacts that no land within 5 miles of the Town of Melbourne nor any land set apart as the sites of Towns or Villages will be open to Lease under these Regulations.
2nd Clause 22 enacts that lands which have been hitherto held under Squatting Licenses for Pastoral purposes, will be let to the present occupants thereof on yearly Lease, at the fixed rent of One Pound per Section so long as they shall not be required for sale, or for any Public Purpose or be applied for on lease by any holder of purchased lands in the immediate neighbourhood. — On reference to the Colonial Secretarys letter of date 2nd March 1849 Dº 49/157 it will be seen that the Regulations of 29 March 1848. as well as the Notice of 21st Novr 1848 are to be carried into full effect and instructions are given to have the 30 acre portions marked out with as little delay as possible. — (Dº) RH. —

Jean Copey Melbourne

Dº 49/117 March 21st With reference to the Appropriation of Two acres at East Melbourne for Roman Catholic Church purposes. I am directed to inform you that as the plan of East Melbourne has been lately altered (the allotments being reduced in size) you will notify to me in writing the Allotments which you wish appropriated as sites for Church, School, and Ministers Dwelling. —
(Signd) RH. —

The Surveyor General.

Dº 49/118 March 23rd I am directed by His Honor the Superintendent to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of the Official notice of demands for Leases of Crown Lands beyond the Settled Districts in the Counties of Bourke and Grant received at the Superintendents Office from parties who have been in Licensed Occupation for 12 months previous to the publication of the order in Council
(Signed) RH.

The Surveyor General

Dº 49/119 March 23rd I have the honor to forward the Copy of a letter received by His Honor The Superte from Wm James Blair Police Magistrate Portland — requesting that the following lots opened for sale at Portland on the 15th Inst and not sold might be again submitted at the next sale Viz Nos 15. 17. 18. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27 and 28. and beg to recommend that the same may be included in the next quarters sale (Dº) R.H.

Thos Wedge Esqre Asst Surveyor

Dº 49/120. March 23 I beg to return your abstract for Salary and Allowance for the Month of February 1849. and request they may be made out afresh and transmitted to me without delay (Dº) R Hoddle.

Edward Barnett Esq. Melbourne

Dº 49/121. March 23rd I have to acquaint you that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of your being appointed as Asst Surveyor to assist Mr Wedge in the General Survey of the Murray District you will therefore lose no time in providing yourself with the usual Equipment
(Dº) R Hoddle.

The Surveyor General

Dº 49/122 March I have the honor to enclose the List of approved claims made by parties within the Settled Districts of Port Phillip under the 16th Clause of the Regulations of 29 March 1848. for Leases of the Several portions of Crown Lands reserved to. Signed Robt Hoddle. —

To His Honor The Superintendent

Dº 49/123 March 26. With reference to your Honors Instructions to me relative to the marking of the South Australian Boundary line I beg to suggest and observe that as it will take some time to prepare the Equipment necessary for such a Survey I request your Honor will sanction the purchase of Bullock drag. Bullocks. Tents. Pack saddles &c. (Dº) R Hoddle.

Alexr John Mein Asst Surveyor

Dº 49/124 March 24. Applications having been made at this office to purchase Suburban Lands on the left bank of the Merri Merri between the Suburbans marked by Mr Pickering and the Town Boundary line I have to request you will measure and mark off this land into lots not exceeding 10 acres fronting the River and 20 acres at the back having roads between every 4 or 6 Allotment for access to water &c (Dº) RH.

The Surveyor General Sydney

N°49/125 March 26th I have the Honor to forward a report of Special County and County Lands in the Dº Phillip District Selected under the 11th Clause of the Regulations of the 1st March 1848 (Signed) Robert Hoddle.

His Honor The Superintendent

N°49/126. March 26th I have the honor to enclose an application signed by Joseph Sutherland and 60 others for the extention of North Melbourne in continuation of Queen Elizabeth, and Swanston Streets. in order that the same may be opened for sale and request your Honor will be pleased to inform me if this application is to be entertained (Sd) R.H.

His Honor The Superintendent

N°49/126. March 27th As the Maps of the General Survey lately received require to be copied before they can be forwarded to the Surveyor Generals may I request your Honor will have the goodnuse to sanction the employment of Mr Chas C. Howell as a Draftsman in this office receiving a Salary at the rate of £50 per annum. (Signed) R. Hoddle

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The Surveyor General Sydney

N°49/127 March 29th In accordance with your letter dated 14th Inst N°49/127 I have the honor to forward a plan of the Allotments at Geelong appropriated to the Church of England as sites for a Church, Parsonage, and School. together with the several descriptions. I beg to observe that I would have forwarded the above plan much sooner but fully expected some alteration would have been made in the Sub-division of the land in question (Signed) Robt Hoddle

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Joseph Sutherland Kilmore

N°49/128. March 29th I have to acknowledge the receipt of an application signed by yourself and others to purchase Allotments in North Melbourne in Continuation of Queen, Elizabeth, and Swanston Streets and to state that having forwarded the same to His Honor The Superintendent are now directed to acquaint you that a Block will be laid out for sale North East of the Junction of Elizabeth and Swanston Streets. (Signed) R. Hoddle.

The Surveyor General Sydney

N°49/129 April 5 I am instructed by His Honor the Superintendent to request that you will favor me with a copy of your letter to the Colonial Secretary of Date the 27th Feby last N°49/110 (on the subject

of certain applications which have been preferred for the purchase of small portions of Land leased under pre-emption in accordance with the Regulations of 29 March 1848) to enable me to understand the Colonial Secretary's letter in reply thereto dated 15th March 1849 N°49/594 a copy of which has been forwarded to this Office thro' His Honor the Superintendent (Sd) Robt Hoddle.

Henry Wade Surveyor

N°49/130 April 4 I am directed by His Honor The Superintendent to acquaint you that as the continuance of the Survey of the South Australian Boundary line must be commenced early in June next no delay should take place in having the necessary Equipment got ready and proper arrangements made with the Contractor to have the supplies required left at the last Station on the line. — You will therefore acquaint Mr White that in the event of Mr D'Burn not arriving in time that this duty will devolve on him. I consider the best plan will be to have the present equipment of Mr White valued and should there be any other articles of Equipment absolutely required for the expedition which cannot be procured readily and at a reasonable rate at Portland forward me a requisition in order that they may be got here. The party is to consist of a Bullock Driver and 7 Steady active men (Sd) Robt Hoddle

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His Honor The Superintendent

N°49/131 April 7th In compliance with your Honors minute on Crown Solicitors letter to your Hona of 17th Ultº N°49/9 respecting the re-purchase of Land at Port Albert I have the honor to forward a correct plan with description of the two portions of land at Port Albert offered by the proprietor to be surrendered to the Crown at the upset price of £1 per acre (Signed) R.H.

His Honor The Superintendent

N°49/132. April 7th I beg to enclose for your Honors information the Monthly Report of the Port Phillip Branch of the Surveyor Generals Department for March (Signed) Robt Hoddle

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To the Sub-Treasurer

N°49/133. April 7th I beg leave to forward you the accompanying List of Applicant for Leases of Crown Lands under the pre-emptive right as confered by the 16th Clause of the Regulation of 29th March 1848 together with the descriptions of each respective lot. The Descriptions are numbered in the margin with Red Ink

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