No. 52/490 3rd November. 1852

W. T. Dawson Esq
Asst. Surveyor
203/227

I am directed by His Excellency the Lieut. Governor to request that you will procure your equipment from Gipps Land. with as little delay as possible and afterwards proceed to the Mount Alexander Gold Districts. for the purpose of measuring Lands. in those localities.

R. H.

No. 52/491 3rd November. 1852.

G. W. Goodman Esq
30 Queen Street
181/390.

In reply to your letter of the 30th Ultimo. I have to acquaint you. that Mr. Asst. Surveyor Bepley has received instructions to subdivide the large portions of the Parishes of Murgheboluc and Gnarwarre. and that as soon as the plans and descriptions of the various lots are received from that gentleman. the Lands applied for by you. will be submitted to public competition.- I have further to acquaint you that No. 2 of Carrangamurnong shall also be subdivided. as soon as a favourable opportunity offers.

R. H.

No. 52/492. 3rd November. 1852.

Thos. Wilkinson Esq
Melbourne
of

In reply to your letter of the 2nd Instant. requesting that certain land in the Township of Pentridge should be offered for sale. I have to acquaint you that it is not His Excellency the Lieut. Governors pleasure that any land in that Township should be sold. at present.

R. H.

No. 52/493. 3rd November. 1852

Deutscher & Huf
Portland.
188/

In reply to your application of the 25th ultimo. that certain land situate between the Muddy Creek and the Grange should be submitted for sale. I have to acquaint you. that I cannot comply with your request. as the land applied for is not within the Reserve at Hamilton.

R. H.

No. 52/494 4th November. 1852

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor.
203/207

I have to request that you will mark out 640 acres at Mr. W. H. Budds Station at the "Big Hill." and if the main road should pass to the East of his Homestead. give him a frontage to that road.- I beg that you will be very particular in measuring these grants. taking care that they do not include any land occupied by either Messrs. Broadhurst or Malcolm.- The tracing herewith

enclosed. will shew the Sections in the Parish of Kemiany with the references to the corners. to which you had better connect the above Survey.

R. H.

No. 52/495 5th November. 1852.

Robt. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
203/206

Adverting to my letter of the 18th Ultimo: No. 52/436. requesting that you would mark on the Tracing transmitted therewith. the direction the road of 1 chain wide would take through Portion No. 29. Parish of Derrimut. I have to request that you will lose no time in conveying to me the information required. in order that the reservation may be mentioned in the Deed of Grant.

No. 52/496. 5th November. 1852.

Eugene Bellairs Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
177/212.

I have to request that as soon as you have completed the Plan and descriptions of the Town and Suburban Allotments at the Five mile Creek. You will proceed to the Parish of Yuroke. and mark a road of 1 chain wide from the South East corner of Mr. Machell's purchase on the Yuroke road. through the said purchase. and portions A and B of Section No. 1. in a North Westerly direction to join the road marked by Mr. Asst. Surveyor Foot. between Messrs Wright & Greens purchased Sections.- I herewith transmit a Sketch for your guidance and information.

R. H.

No. 52/497. 5th November. 1852

J. R. Hurst Esq
Asst. Surveyor
197/211

In reply to your letter of the 3rd Instant. I have to acquaint you. that the mode of measuring land adopted by the Government of Van Diemans Land. has nothing to do with the instructions given you in my letter of the 30th September last. No. 52/421 and which you were distinctly directed to carry out. and that by your not doing so. at first. the Government have been put to unnecessary additional expense.- I herewith enclose a tracing of the Reserve at Mr. Bradshaws. for your information. and expect that your Progress Journal for the present month will be more satisfactory. and shew more diligence on your part than that for October just received.

R. H.

H. S. Chauncy Esq
Draftsman.
198/217.

No. 52/498 5th November 1852

As Mr. Surveyor Urquhart has reported to me that you are quite competent to undertake any duties in the Field. I have to request that you will a proper provide yourself with the necessary Equipment Instruments &c. hire six men as a Surveying party and place yourself under Mr. Urquhart's instructions. R.H.

W. S. Urquhart Esq
Surveyor
202/209

No. 52/499 5th November 1852

In reply to your letter of the 3rd Instant I have to acquaint you that I entirely approve of your arrangement respecting Mr. Bagshawe and that I have requested Mr. Chauncy to provide himself with a proper Equipment necessary instruments &c. hire a party of 6 men at the current rate of wages and place himself under your instructions.— I have further to acquaint you that his pay and allowances will commence from the date on which you report him ready to take the Field. R.H.

Fred. Byerley Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
187/210

No. 52/500 5th November 1852

Referring to your Pay Abstract for the past month I have to acquaint you that you are not authorised to give more than Sixty five pounds per annum to the men composing your party that being the rate of wages sanctioned by Government and that your own Salary will commence from the 28th September (that being the day on which you first hired men) instead of the 22nd as set forth in your Abstract. R.H.

Robt. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor
205/

No. 52/501. 6th November 1852

In again returning you your Progress Journals for the two past months I have to call your particular attention to my letter of the 1st Instant No. 52/486. explicitly directing you to fill them up in strict accordance with the form and to request that you will transmit two fresh forms filled up in a proper manner R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor.
202/208

No. 52/502 8th November 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 3rd Instant I have to request that you will instruct Mr. Asst. Surveyor Byerley to mark on the Tracing enclosed herewith the situation of the Homestead and improvements of Mr. R. C. Hope and return it to me in order that I may be enabled to give instructions as to the measurement of the grant of 640 acres. R.H.

Mr. J. M. Ardlie
Clerk of Petty Sessions
Warrnambool.
130/276

No. 52/503 8th November 1852.

In compliance with your wishes I herewith forward a plan of the Township of Warrnambool and village of Caramut on Muston's Creek but beg to inform you that Ham's Map is not supplied from this Office. R.H.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor
204/208

No. 52/504 9th November 1852.

I have to request that you will mark off Four square miles as a Reserve at Ferguson's Inn Sunday Creek which quantity will include 640 acres for the Township respecting the marking of which you have already received instructions by my letter No. 52/488 of this date. I herewith enclose a description of the Reserve proposed but as you may find it necessary to place it in a different position you will furnish me with the proper description as soon as possible after the boundary lines have been marked. R.H.

Robt. Mason Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
203/210.

No. 52/505 9th November 1852

I have to request that you will mark the undermentioned Corners of the land lately sold by Mr. Downie to Messrs Hall and Bagot in the Parish of Kalkallo viz. S.W. of Section 14. S.E. of 18. N.E. of 30. and N.W. of 27. references annexed.

You will also continue the road through the Parish of Kalkallo which you were instructed to mark as far as its Southern boundary forwarding a plan and description for proclamation. R.H.

S.W. of Section 14. Gum marked on four sides.
S.E. of " " 18. Gum tree bearing N. 16° W. 68 links.
N.E. of " " 30. Box tree " " S. 9½° E. 40 links
N.W. of " " 27. Gum tree (perhaps on opposite side of Creek

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor.
207/209.

No. 52/306 10th November. 1852

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 8th Instant with plan and descriptions of the allotments marked in North and South Geelong. In marking the road at Bacchus Marsh I have to request that you will place yourself in communication with Messrs Griffith & Labillière who will point out the most desirable place for crossing the Werribee and the branch roads which may be required.

R.H.

E. B. Addis Esq
C. Land Commissioner
24/415.

No. 52/307 10th November. 1852.

I have the honor to forward a list of the Occupants of Crown Lands within the Settled District of Grant shewing the number of Sections held by each in the Year 1852. R.H.

Clerk of Executive Council.
143/

No. 52/308 11th November 1852

I have the honor to forward for the information of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor and the Executive Council a copy of the evidence taken before the Court of Quarter Sessions held at Melbourne on the 4th October last in the matter of the application of John Andrews and John Galsworthy for a road through certain land in the Parish of Yuroke.

R.H.

Mr. Robt. Boyd
Melbourne.
0/311.

No. 52/309 11th November. 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th enclosing for my perusal several certificates which I beg to state are very satisfactory but at present there is no vacancy for an Asst. Surveyor or Draftsman. The Certificates I herewith return to you.

R.H.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor
207/209.

No. 52/310 11th November. 1852.

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 6th Instant enclosing a tracing of the features between the Big Hill and Great Pinch shewing the line of road you propose marking which I quite approve of. His Excellency the Lieut. Governor directs that the road should be surveyed and marked as far as the Goulburn River to whatever locality you may consider the best site for a Bridge eventually. I enclose a tracing of Mr. Foster's line which you can examine and improve if you find it necessary. With respect to Branch roads to the various Reserves near the line they can be marked after the main line is laid down.

R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor
208/214.

No. 52/311 11th November. 1852

I have to request that you will take an early opportunity to lay out a Township at the "Muddy Water Holes" on the Buninyong road and measure the lands adjoining into portions of Five to Twenty acres each. I have further to request that you will continue the main line of road from Geelong to Buninyong.

R.H.

P P

Mr. Geo. Mercer
Geelong.
of P

No. 52/312 11th November. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 2nd Instant requesting that certain land in the neighbourhood of the "Muddy Water Holes" should be offered for sale. I have to acquaint you that instructions have been given to Mr. Surveyor Skene to mark out a Township and Cultivation Allotments in that locality which will be submitted to public competition as soon as practicable.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor.
208/212.

No. 52/313. 12th November. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 9th Instant. I have to acquaint you that the Plans of Suburban allotments and Selections under pre-emptive right are to be on a scale of two inches to a mile. The tracing of the Township of Malmsbury at the Coliban River transmitted to you with my letter No. 52/488 of 2nd Instant was merely sent for your guidance in marking out Townships. Of course the design will depend a good deal on the nature of the ground. The main streets may be three chains wide the others one chain and half.

R.H.

W. S. Urquhart Esq
Surveyor
206/210.

No. 52/314. 12th November. 1852.

As His Excellency the Lieut. Governor is desirous that the Creeks running into the Loddon River and Barker's Creek from the Eastward should be carefully surveyed. I have to request that you will instruct Mr. Draftsman Bagshawe to do this duty while you are finishing the plans of your recent surveys.

R.H.

Fred. Byerley Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
206/243

No. 52/515 13th November. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 8th Instant. I have to acquaint you that the present rate of pay to Assistant Surveyors is Three Hundred pounds per annum. viz. Two Hundred pounds Salary. and Fifty per cent increase. but that Twenty five per cent of the increase is deducted on account of rations from all Officers in the Field. I have further to acquaint you that this deduction will continue to be made until the end of the present year. to prevent confusion in the books at the Audit Office. but that each Officer will be refunded the amount so deducted since the 1st May last. R.H.

H. B. Foot Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
183/221

No. 52/516 13th November. 1852.

As His Excellency the Lieut. Governor wishes that the Road from Hawthorn to Elgar Special Survey should be staked out and marked. previous to the Road Committee commencing the repair of the line in question. I have to request that you will have the goodness to expedite the work you have in hand and proceed on the above duty. A tracing of your survey of allotments in Boroondara. will be prepared at this Office. in the meantime. for your guidance and information. R.H.

Robt. Mason Esq
Asst. Surveyor
207/212.

No. 52/517. 15th November. 1852.

I have to request that you will subdivide the large Sections in the Parish of Merriang and continue the road marked through that Parish. and that you will also lay out a Village Reserve at Gleeson. I have further to request that you will subdivide Section No. 14 into portions from 25 to 80 acres according to the quality of the soil. R.H.

W. S. Urquhart Esq
Surveyor.
209/214.

No. 52/518. 15th November. 1852

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 9th Instant together with tracings from the General Survey of the Gold Districts. which His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to approve of. so that you can at once commence to mark off the various Reserves. R.H.

R. D. Scott Esq.
Asst. Surveyor.
196/212.

No. 52/519. 16th November. 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th ultimo together with Progress Journals. Pay Abstracts &c for the months of August and September. — As there is no post direct to Lintoon. I have been compelled to entrust several letters to private hands. which I fear you have not received. from your enquiry relative to the purchases of Messrs Manifold and others. The decision on the several cases you will find particularized at foot hereof. — I have therefore to request that you will make arrangement for the immediate measurement of these grants. and return without delay to Geelong previous to your proceeding to Buninyong to mark off Lands for sale. As you may find it difficult to engage men at Geelong except at very high rates. you had better bring your plans up with you. and complete your [illegible].

J & P. Manifold allowed a Section to include Homestead. R.H.

W. Adeney	640 acres
McNicol & McKinnon	320 acres
J. G. Ware.	640 acres

McArthur & Priest still under consideration.

R. W. Stieglitz Esq
Ballan.
/224.

No. 52/520 17th November. 1852

In reply to your letter of the 13th Instant. I have to acquaint you. that if the 160 acres granted you were measured from the River Werribee. Westward your frontage to the River would be in a direct line from North to South to the extent of 1440 yards. (see sketch). With respect to the road. I could not accede to your wishes. as it will. if requisite be marked in the most suitable locality probably through your land. but would not be included in the total area. Instructions are enclosed for Mr. Hurst. which you will have the goodness to hand him. R.H.

J. R. Hurst Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
203/247

No. 52/521 17th November. 1852.

In marking the land for Mr. R. W. Stieglitz. I have to request that you will give him to the extent of 440 yards on the Werribee. in a direct line. North and South. as shewn on the accompanying sketch. and if the road from Geelong towards Mount Alexander should pass through the land. the area must be to the extent granted. after deducting for the road of 1 chain wide. R.H.

R. D. Scott Esq
Asst. Surveyor
211/2/57

No. 52/522. 17th November. 1852.

I have to request that you will measure into suitable portions. (if you have not already done so) the land on which Messrs. J & P. Manifold have erected a large House. Dairy and Flour Mill. in order that those gentlemen may have an opportunity to purchase the land which will be submitted to auction. with the value of the improvements added to the upset price. R.H.

Robt. Mason Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
210/225.

No. 52/523. 18th November. 1852.

With reference to my letter of the 15th Instant No. 52/517 I have to request. that you will mark the road of 1 chain wide which runs along the centre of the Parish of Kalkallo from the South West corner of Section No. 23. to the South East corner of Section No. 19.- I have also to request that you will make an accurate Survey of the features comprised in Section No. 14. and the original Village Reserve. and forward a plan of the same on a scale of 8 chains to an inch. Shewing the various buildings. fences &c. on the land. and the manner in which you would propose marking off the Town Sections and also the Cultivation allotments of 5 to 10 acres each. instead of 25 to 80 acres. as previously instructed.- I have to inform you. that the streets are to be 1/2 chain wide throughout. R.H.

E. Bellairs Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
205/216

No. 52/524 18th November. 1852.

I have to request that you will forward to this Office. with as little delay as possible. a plan of the ground measured for Presbyterian Church purposes. at the Five Mile Creek. together with descriptions of the several sites selected for Church. School and Minister's Dwelling. R.H.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor.
209/213.

No. 52/525 19th November. 1852.

With reference to a communication from the Secretary of the Kilmore Roads and Street Improvement Committee addressed to the Colonial Secretary. relative to the Sydney main line of road. I am directed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acquaint you that wherever that road may be ultimately carried. there must be convenient lines of communication with the Township. both in the direction of Melbourne and of

the Goulburn River. and that it is your duty to assist the Committee in forming these in the best manner.

I am further instructed by His Excellency to request that you will furnish a report on the subject. stating the difference of opinion. that exists between you and the Committee as to the most suitable locality for the line of road in question. R.H.

Mr. D. Mackenzie
Craigie Burn.
201/

No. 52/526. 19th November. 1852

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th Instant. and in reply thereto. to acquaint you. that the road in question will not be continued through Sections Nos. 6 & 7 Parish of Kalkallo. as you request. R.H.

Mr. John Good
Port Fairy.
1/292.

No. 52/527 19th November. 1852

In reply to your letter of the 18th Instant. I have to acquaint you. that Section No. 9. Parish of Corramook was selected by Mr. F. Freckleton on the 13th ultimo. R.H.

Lindsay Clark Esq
Asst. Surveyor
188/220

No. 52/528 22nd November. 1852

I have to request that you will take an early opportunity to mark off all the available land about Portland. into portions of 40 acres and upwards. according to the quality of the soil. in order that every facility may be afforded Immigrants and persons possessed of small Capital. of purchasing land. in the vicinity of the Town. R.H.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor
212/215

No. 52/529. 22nd November. 1852.

With reference to your letter of the 30th ultimo. I have to request that you will forward with as little delay as possible. the receipts for Cash payments made by you. for provisions &c. in order that they may be attached to the voucher. R.H.

Foster Fyans. Esq.
P.M. of Geelong.

No. 52/530 22nd November. 1852.

I have the honor to forward the plans of the lands advertised for sale at Geelong. on the 24th & 25th Instant. R.H.

Henry Wade Esq
Surveyor
197/214

No. 52/531 22nd November. 1852.

The annexed Return of work performed by you from the 1st January to the 30th September of the present year. as shewn by your Progress Journals is so very unsatisfactory that I request you will furnish me with some explanation. as when an Office was taken for the Department at Portland. it was never intended that you should continue for a period of Five months drawing a few plans attending Land sales and giving information to the Public. R.H.

Thos. Musgrave Esq
Melbourne
48/219

No. 52/532 23rd November. 1852.

I am directed by the Lieutenant Governor to acquaint you. that it is His Excellency's pleasure that your services as Draftsman in this Department should be dispensed with from the 22nd Instant. R.H.

Henry Wade Esq
Surveyor.
214/221

No. 52/533 23rd November. 1852.

I have to acquaint you. that. for the present, Mr. Draftsman Ross is to occupy the two back rooms and Kitchen of the premises used as Offices by the Survey Department at Portland. you will therefore make immediate arrangements to give up possession of the apartments in question, to that gentleman. R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor
209/215.

No. 52/534 23rd November 1852.

I have to request that you will point out on the accompanying tracing. of the Geelong Gaol Reserve the position of the new Gaol. and proposed Corporation Stockade and return same with as little delay as possible. R.H.

W. Austin Esq
Draftsman.
of

No. 52/535. 26th November 1852.

I have to acquaint you. that in compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 18th Instant. His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to grant you two months leave of absence. R.H.

W. S. Urquhart Esq
Surveyor.
210/218.

No. 52/536 26th November 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th Instant together with tracings on the half inch scale of Bendigo Creek and Myers Creek. which I am very glad to obtain to fill up a blank in the General Map. R.H.

Henry Miller Esq
Melbourne.
143/246

No. 52/537. 26th November. 1852.

In reply to your application of this date. I have to acquaint you. that Sections Nos. 4. 5. and 6. of the Parish of Truganina will be submitted to public competition. as soon as they can be subdivided. R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor.
214/216.

No. 52/538 29th November. 1852

Adverting to my letter of the 23rd Instant. No. 52/534. I have to request that you will transmit to this Office. with as little delay as possible. a description of that part of the Geelong Gaol Reserve. allotted for the new Gaol. and Corporation Stockade. R.H.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor.
213/215

No. 52/539. 29th November. 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd Instant. in explanation of the course you have pursued in marking the Sydney line of road. in the neighbourhood of Kilmore and shall cause the same to be submitted for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

I beg to observe that I quite approve of the manner in which you laid out the line of road. as shewn on the tracing forwarded with your letter of the 6th Instant. and that it is only in consequence of its having been represented. that the carrying out of the line selected by you. would interfere. with certain vested rights. that His Excellency the Lieut. Governor has been pleased to sanction the line of road. through the Township. which you will mark accordingly. R.H.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor.
215/218.

No. 52/540 29th November. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 24th Instant. I have to acquaint you. that no fixed sum for rations can be allowed you. Where there is a Contractor you must procure your supplies from him. and in default of his complying with your requisition. they must be purchased at the Contractor's risk. and charged to him accordingly. R.H.

Mr. W. Whytcross.
Melbourne
of

No. 52/541 29th November. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 26th Instant. applying to have certain lots in the Township of Pitfield. offered for sale. I have to acquaint you. that the allotments in question have already been disposed of. R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor.
215/216

No. 52/342. 29th November. 1852.

I beg to forward the annexed copy of letter addressed to the Clerk of the Executive Council relative to the proposed alteration in the Barrarbool Hill road. and request that you will furnish a report on the several objections urged to the line passing through Section No. 25. with as little delay as possible.

R.H.

E. W. Bagshawe Esq
Draftsman.
198/

No. 52/343. 1st December. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 21st ultimo. I have to acquaint you. that your name has been returned in the Pay Abstracts. for salary at the rate of Two Hundred and Fifty pounds per annum. from the 1st September last with the back pay at that rate from the 1st May. which you can receive on application at the Colonial Treasury.

I have further to acquaint you. that your allowance in lieu of equipment. will not commence until you are reported by Mr. Surveyor Urquhart. as capable of taking charge of a party. in possession of a proper equipment. and, ready for field duty.

R.H.

Eugene Bellairs Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
212/217

No. 52/344 1st December. 1852.

I have to request that. as you are in the neighbourhood you will mark out the occupation roads of 20 feet in width along the Southern boundaries of Messrs Pearson. Mc. Arthur Capsworthys and D. Camerons. purchases. in the Parish of Yuroke. also along the Southern boundary of J. & G. Pattersons 376 acres. from the South West corner of Captain Pearson land as shewn on the tracing herewith enclosed. - I beg to observe that the width of the road is to be 10 feet on each side of the boundary.

R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor.
216/223.

No. 52/345. 2nd December. 1852.

I have to request that when you are in the neighbourhood of Bacchus Marsh. you will have the goodness to mark off 640 acres of Messrs Griffiths and Greenes run. named "Glenmore" at the Parwan Creek, (viz 320 acres on each side of the Creek) so as to include their Homestead &c.

R.H.

C. J. Griffith Esq
Glenmore

No. 52/346. 2nd December. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 26th ultimo. I have to acquaint you. that agreeably with your wishes. Mr. Surveyor Skene has been instructed. when in the neighbourhood of Bacchus Marsh to mark off 640 acres of the run named "Glenmore" granted under pre-emptive right.

R.H.

J. R. Hurst Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
211/219.

No. 52/347 2nd December. 1852.

I have to request that you will take an early opportunity to mark off 350 acres of Mr. W. H. Bacchus's run. situated to the East of "Sal Sal Creek." to include Homestead &c. granted to him under pre-emptive right.

R.H.

H. S. Chauncy Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
206/222.

No. 52/348 2nd December. 1852.

I have to acquaint you. that in compliance with your request. His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to approve of your being allowed to purchase certain portions of the South Australian Boundary line equipment. at a valuation. and further that His Excellency requests that you will proceed to the Gold District at Mt. Alexander for the purpose of marking lands for sale. with as little delay as possible. R.H.

E. Bellairs Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
216/217

No. 52/349. 2nd December. 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the plan of the Village and Cultivation Allotments marked by you. in the Reserve at the Five mile Creek. Parish of Doutta Galla. and request that you will transmit to this Office with as little delay as possible. the descriptions of the same.

I herewith enclose the form of description of Town & Cultivation Allotments. for your guidance.

R.H.

Robson & Forster.
76 Swanston St.

No. 52/350 2nd December. 1852.

In reply to your letter. relative to the purchase of certain land at Keilor. I have to acquaint you. that the allotment next Mr. Beaton's Store is reserved. and that there are no other allotments in that locality for sale at present. but that an early opportunity will be taken to mark off some. on the left hand side of the road.

R.H.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor.
218/219

No. 52/331. 3rd December. 1852

I have to request that you will take an early opportunity to mark off 640 acres of Messrs A. & W. Mollisons run at Pyalong. and 320 acres of Messrs J. & J. S. Boyds run at "Wallan Wallan" to include their Homesteads &c. granted under pre-emptive right.

R.H.

W. S. Urquhart Esq
Surveyor
214/228

No. 52/332. 3rd December. 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 30th ultimo Nos. 52/45. and 52/46. and to acquaint you that I quite approve of the arrangements proposed by you and shall hasten Mr Chauncys departure from Melbourne as much as possible. I have also to acquaint you that I shall recommend to His Excellency the Lieut. Governor that Mr Bagshaw may be allowed an "Equipment allowance" in order that he may be of more assistance to you in marking the various Reserves and carrying out the general Survey.

R.H.

W. R. Probert & Co.
Melbourne
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No. 52/333. 3rd December. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 20th ultimo requesting that certain allotments at Sandridge may be offered for sale I have to acquaint you that they will be submitted to public competition as soon as they are subdivided.

R.H.

R. Russell Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
216/218

No. 52/334 3rd December. 1852

I have to request that you will transmit to this Office with as little delay as possible the plan and descriptions of the lands subdivided by you in the Parish of Maribyrnong.

R.H.

R. Russell Esq.
Asst. Surveyor.
218/219

No. 52/335. 3rd December. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 30th No. 52/74. I have to acquaint you that the following portions of lands have been sold viz. portion 15. of Yangardook at present containing 648 acres allowed to H & A. Dennistoun. 8 acres of which are to be deducted for a road of 1 chain wide passing through the land. 1. 2. & 3. of Section 23. same parish. sold to W. J. T. Clarke. 11 & 12. of Holden sold to W. J. T. Clarke. and 16. of Kororoit containing 580 acres to William Highett. I have further to acquaint you that no sections of in the neighbourhood will be sold at present.

R.H.

J. R. Hurst Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
217/224

No. 52/336. 3rd December. 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo together with Pay Abstract. Progress Journals. also diagrams and descriptions of the portions of land marked by you for Messrs Pyke and Inglis.— I herewith enclose a tracing of the Township Reserve at Wallan. and request that you will try your Instrument with the Western boundary line. as marked by Mr Malcolm. and mark the other lines correctly.— I have again to notice the very slow progress made by you in carrying out my instructions. and to state that unless you shew more activity in the Field. I shall be under the disagreeable necessity of recommending that your services be dispensed with.

R.H.

Mr J. Musgrave
Melbourne
214/

No. 52/337 4th December. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 23rd ultimo I have only to observe that your absence from duty during the last six months on the plea of illness has been very frequent and your appearance at this Office on the morning of the 8th ultimo was quite sufficient to induce me to recommend to His Excellency that your services should be dispensed with.

R.H.

Robt. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
218/219

No. 52/338 4th December. 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant and return the plan of Section No. 6. and part of Section No. 5 Parish of Maribyrnong transmitted therewith. and request if the other Sections from 1 to 4 have been subdivided that you will forward a plan of the whole together with the descriptions with as little delay as possible.— I have to acquaint you that I shall decline signing your pay and allowance abstract until I receive the above plan &c.

R.H.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor
218/223

No. 52/339. 6th December. 1852.

I have to request that as soon as you have carried out my present instructions. you will take an early opportunity to mark off 640 acres of Mr W. H. Dunsfords run "Lancefield" near Kilmore. so as to include his Homestead &c. granted under pre-emptive right.

R.H.

J. P. Bear Esq
Melbourne
1/

No. 52/360 6th December 1852

In reply to your letter of the 30th Ultimo. I have to acquaint you. that in compliance with your request. Mr. Surveyor White has been instructed. to mark off 640 acres of Mr. W. H. Dunsford's run. granted under preemptive right. as soon as he has completed the work he has at present in hand.

R.H.

R. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor
219/221

No. 52/361. 6th December 1852

In reply to your letter of this date. I have to acquaint you. that I have signed the Abstracts. as far as regards the wages of the party under your charge. so that their pay will be forthcoming at the Colonial Treasury in a day or so.

R.H.

Lindsay Clarke Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
213/220

No. 52/362. 6th December 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th Ultimo. in which you apply to be promoted to the rank of Surveyor. and in reply to acquaint you that as the number allowed is already complete. I regret that I cannot accede to your request.

R.H.

Lindsay Clarke Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
220/228

No. 52/363 6th December 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th Ultimo. transmitting copy of letter from Police Magistrate at Portland. relative to your proceeding with him. to the part of the Coast recommended for a Quarantine Station. and if necessary. surveying the same. and to acquaint you that under the circumstances. I quite approve of your doing so.

R.H.

Mr. A. Somerville
Kyneton
131/

No. 52/364 6th December 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 1st Instant. I have to acquaint you. that the land between Carlsruhe. and Woodend. has not been as yet surveyed. and further that it is not the intention of the Government. to have any land in the locality. marked off for sale at present.

R.H.

W. Adeney Esq
Chocolyn
1/

No. 52/365 6th December 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 20th Ultimo I have to acquaint you. that in measuring the 640 acres allowed you. to comprise your Homestead. and improvements. a frontage to the Lake. of one mile only can be allowed. and the North and South lines will run back Eastward across the road. to contain the above quantity.

R.H.

Mr. R. Counsel.
Forest Creek.
1/

No. 52/366. 6th December 1852.

As there is a vacancy for a Draftsman. in this Department at the present time. I beg that you will inform me. whether you would accept of the appointment in the event of my recommending your name to His Excellency the Lieut. Governor. The Salary at present is Two Hundred and fifty pounds. per annum.

R.H.

Henry Wade Esq
Surveyor
211/229.

No. 52/367 7th December 1852.

With reference to my letter of 5th September 1851. No. 51/656. (of which I enclose you a copy) acquainting you that Nos. 2 & 3. of plan of allotments marked at Bridgewater. had been Cancelled. I have to request that 100 acres may be marked off. for Mr. Hedditch. to contain his Homestead & improvements. and to be measured in strict accordance with the rules of the Department. I have further to request that you will mark out some more allotments. so as to connect the above with allotments X and IX.

R.H.

Robt. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
220/226

No. 52/368 7th December 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date. and beg to refer you to my letter of the 4th Instant. 52/358 in which I have distinctly informed you. that I shall decline signing your Salary and Allowance abstracts. until I receive the plan and descriptions therein referred to.

R.H.

H. B. Foot Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
210/227

No. 52/369. 7th December 1852

At the desire of the Speaker of the Legislative Council. I have to request that you will be good enough to meet the Hawthorn and Bulleen Road Committee on Saturday next at 2 o'c at the Punt Hotel. Richmond.

R.H.

No 52/570 7th December. 1852.

E. Bellairs Esq
Asst Surveyor.
217/225.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th Instant. transmitting descriptions of Town and Cultivation allotments marked by you at the Five mile Creek. and to acquaint you that descriptions are to be written in words at full length. and on one side of the paper only. and that it is necessary you should sign your Name at the foot of each description.— You will therefore forward fresh ones. with as little delay as possible and pay particular attention to these instructions. to avoid loss of time. in future. R.H.

No 52/571. 7th December. 1852.

Mr Thos Bilston.
Fitzroy River.
of 490.

In reply to your letter of the 1st Instant. applying to purchase two portions of land containing together 166½ acres measured by Mr White some years since. I have to acquaint you that as the plan does not shew any Homestead and improvements on the land. I do not consider that you can claim under the order in Council. but I have referred your application to the Crown Commissioner. for his report. R.H.

No 52/572 8th Dec. 1852.

H. S. Chauncy Esq
Asst Surveyor.
217/257

With reference to my letter of the 2nd Instant. No 52/348. I herewith enclose a copy of the valuation. of the Bullock and other portions of the South Australian Boundary Line Equipment agreed upon by the Board appointed for that purpose. and I have to suggest that you will lose no time. in proceeding to Castlemaine. and reporting yourself to Mr Surveyor Urquhart. R.H.

No 52/573. 8th December. 1852.

John Barker Esq.
Legislative Council Chamber
of

In reply to your letter of the 22nd Ultimo. I have to acquaint you. that Mr Asst Surveyor Foot reports. that the crossing at the point at Arthurs seat. is impassable. excepting at half tide in fine weather. at which time the heading of the small Creek is equally easy. the road over the hill is the proper one. I therefore see no reason to alter the Western boundary of Mr Burrell's grant. R.H.

No 52/574. 8th December. 1852.

Mr J. Clarke
Seymour
of

In reply to your application to have certain portions of land at Seymour offered for sale. I have to acquaint you. that at present. your wishes cannot be complied with. R.H.

No 52/575. 9th December. 1832

M. Holmes Esq
Geelong
of 48 P

In reply to your application to have certain land in the Parish of Duneed offered for sale. I have to acquaint you. that as soon as the portions alluded to. have been subdivided into allotments of 10 acres. and upwards. they will be submitted for public competition. R.H.

No 52/576. 9th December. 1852.

Mr P. McLaughlin
Melbourne
of

In reply to your application. that certain lands in the Parishes of Mambourin and Cocoroc. should be offered for sale. I have to acquaint you. that the portions alluded to. will be submitted to public competition in February next. R.H.

No 52/577 10th December. 1852.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor.
219/239

I have to request that when you are in the neighbourhood of the undermentioned persons Stations. you will mark off the quantity of land allowed to each. under preemptive right. so as to include their respective Homestead and improvements. viz. W. H. F. Mitchell. 640 acres— J. Brock. 640 acres. "Bullanda Vale". commencing on the Emu Creek. where the 25 mile boundary crosses it. and bounded on the West. by this Creek upwards to its junction with the main Creek— Joseph Hawdon. 160 acres. (would a reserve be desirable in this locality?)— E. W. Jeffreys 640 acres. "Kyneton"— J. Pevor. 320 acres. North bank of Piper Creek— and Wm Clark. Kilmore. 640 acres. adjoining Special Survey. R.H.

No 52/578 10th December. 1852.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor
216/225.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 4th Inst. and request that you will take an early opportunity to mark off the quantity of land allowed to the undermentioned persons under preemptive right. so as to include their respective Homesteads and improvements.— viz.— C. A. Von Stieglitz. 200 acres— J. Wallace. 640 acres— R. Sutherland. 640 acres.— G. F. Read. 640 acres. at the Station. on which he resides.— J. Staughton 640 acres. R.H.

C. A. Von Stieglitz Esq
Ballan P
191/

No. 52/579. 10th December 1852

In reply to your letter of the 7th Instant I have to acquaint you that instructions have been given to Mr. Surveyor Skene to measure the 200 acres allowed you under pre-emptive right.

R.H.

J. R. Hurst Esq
Asst. Surveyor
219/228.

No. 52/580 10th December 1852.

With reference to the latter part of my letter of the 17th ultimo No. 52/521. I have to request that you will make the road passing through Mr. R. W. Stieglitz grant of 160 acres three chains in width instead of one chain as previously instructed.

R.H.

P

R. W. Stieglitz Esq
Ballan P
211/

No. 52/581. 10th December 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 7th Instant I have to acquaint you that Mr. Asst. Surveyor Hurst has been instructed to increase the width of the road passing through your land to three chains.

R.H.

J. F. Palmer Esq M.L.C.
Melbourne
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No. 52/582 11th December 1852

As it has been discovered that encroachment have been made on the public streets of Hawthorn in the erection of boundary fences by several owners of property in that locality. I am directed by His Excellency the Lieut. Governor to draw your attention to the position of a portion of your fence which is as follows viz. at the North West corner of allotment 21 in Boroondara is a stake bearing to tag Gum marked XXI. 170 degrees 13 links. your fence is therefore that distance within the boundary at that point. but at the North East corner of allotment 19 same parish the stake is 3 links south of your corner post _ as the greater part of the fence between the above points is on the Village Reserve. I have to request that you will cause the same to be removed with as little delay as possible.

R.H.

J. D. Pinnock Esq
Melbourne.
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No. 52/583. 11th December 1852.

As it has been discovered that encroachment have been made on the public Street in the Village of Hawthorn in the erection of boundary fences by several owners of property in that locality. I am directed by His Excellency the Lieut. Gov. P

to draw your attention to the position of a portion of your fence which is as follows viz. at the South East corner of allotment 23 in Boroondara is a Box tree marked XXIII. bearing from stake 117 degrees 30 links. at the South West corner of same is a dead Gum marked XXIII. bearing from stake 175 degrees 13 links. so that your fence extends 13 links into the Village Reserve. I have therefore to request that you will cause the same to be removed with as little delay as possible.

R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor
223/232.

No. 52/584. 11th December 1852.

I have to request that you will take an early opportunity to measure 640 acres for Mr. Charles McLachlan so as to comprise his Homestead and improvements commencing at the point A. shewn on the tracing enclosed herewith with a frontage to the Creek.

R.H.

Eugene Bellairs Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
222/229

No. 52/585. 13th December 1852

I have to request that you will proceed with your equipment and party to the South Yarra Pound and report yourself to Mr. Asst. Surveyor Foot who will instruct you as to the Surveys most required.

R.H.

Robt. Mason Esq
Asst. Surveyor
212/229

No. 52/586. 14th December 1852

I herewith enclose a tracing of the Reserve at Bellerine shewing the portion colored red containing four acres which certain parties residing in the parish wish to purchase for the erection of a Flour Mill undertaking to deepen the water-course by the erection of dams and removal of the decomposed matter and request that you will report without delay as to the situation of the permanent waterholes on this Reserve and whether it would be desirable or for public benefit to grant or sell the portion of land in question.

R.H.

~~Robt. Russell Esq~~
~~Asst. Surveyor~~

~~No. 52/587 14th December 1852~~

~~I am directed by His Excellency the Lieut. Governor to request that you will give a full explanation of the reason that so little work has been performed by you during the last six months.~~

~~R.H.~~

Mr. H. Wythe. Junr.
Belfast
of 233

No. 52/587. 14th Decr. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 10th Instant offering the upset price for a certain section of land on the Merri River. I have to acquaint you that the section you allude to was selected by Mr. F. Freckleton on the 13th October. 1852.

R.H.

Robt. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor
221/226

No. 52/588 14th December. 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th Instant. together with plan and description of the lands measured by you. in the Parish of Maribyrnong. and to request that you will complete the various Subdivisions in the Parish of Derrimut and send in a plan of the whole. with descriptions – If you consider that the Sections on the plains are not available for Agricultural purposes. you need not subdivide them.

R.H.

Robt. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor
226/227

No. 52/589. 14th December. 1852.

I am directed by His Excellency the Lieut. Governor to request that you will give a full explanation of the reason. that so little work has been performed by you during the last six months.

R.H.

Mrs. Cowell.
of

No. 52/590 15th December. 1852.

As the Reserve adjoining the Western boundary of your land in the Parish of Boroondara. is required by the Government. I have to request that you will have it cleared of any Stock. that may be depasturing thereon previous to the Crown Commissioner taking possession of it. I beg to inform you that allotments. 57. 58 and 59. were sold to the late J. W. Cowell. with a reservation of a road of 1 chain in width (as shewn on annexed tracing) from the Village Reserve to Cowells Bridge. and the area allowed for. but as the Government at present only require free ingress and egress. at the South East corner. I have to request that you will cause your fence to be so placed as to afford the ingress and egress required. without being obliged to trespass on your property.

R.H.

Mr. A. M. Wilson
Leigh.
of

No. 52/591. 15th December. 1852.

In reply to your letter of the 13th Instant I have to acquaint you that as the design for a Township at the Leigh has not been finally approved of. the allotments cannot be brought into the market for some time. R.H.

Robt. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
226/228

No. 52/592. 16th December. 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th Instant. and request that you will forward to this Office. the plan and descriptions of the land measured by you. on the Toolern Toolern Creek. between Messrs. Pykes. and Bryants. and of any other work performed by you. I have further to request that you will forward the Field Books of your work during the time you have been in the Department with as little delay as possible

R.H.

Mr. J. E. W. Wilmot
Gore St. Collingwood
of

No. 52/593. 16th December. 1852.

In reply to your letter. in which you offer your services to the Govt. as an Assistant Surveyor. I beg to acquaint you that there is no vacancy in the Department at present. R.H.

H. B. Foot Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
221/231

No. 52/594 16th December. 1852

As the purchasers of land in the parish of Warrandyte are unable to find any marked trees at the corners of the portions. I herewith enclose a tracing of the parish with the various references. and beg that you will take the first favorable opportunity to stake out Sections. 5. 6. 18. 25 & 26.

R.H.

W. J. Dawson Esq
Asst. Surveyor
204/238

No. 52/595. 16th December. 1852.

As soon as you have finished marking the allotments near the Benevolent Asylum. I have to request that you will measure about. 12 or 14 Quarry allotments of one acre each in the locality pointed out on the plan of the Quarries surveyed by Mr. Foot. which I enclose for your information and guidance. and which you will please return with the descriptions after marking the various lots.

R.H.

No. 52/596. 17th December 1852.

W. S. Urquhart Esq
Surveyor.
218/230

As Mr. Selwyn the Geological Surveyor of the Colony is about to pay a preliminary visit of inspection to the Mount Alexander and other Gold Fields. I am directed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to request that you will afford that gentleman every information and assistance in your power. R.H.

No. 52/597 17th December 1852.

Robt. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor
227/

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date. and request that you will furnish me with a list of the men under your charge in order that I may have them drafted into the parties of other Surveyors R.H.

No. 52/598 17th December 1852

Lindsay Clarke Esq
Asst. Surveyor
220/230

I beg to return you the annexed abstract for Forage and request that you will make out fresh ones in duplicate on the Forms herewith sent. R.H.

No. 52/599. 17th December. 1852.

Thos. Watson Esq
Asst. Surveyor
202/234

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 12th Instant. together with plan and descriptions of the land marked by you on the right bank of the Hopkins River. and to inform you that you can measure a few more lots as far as the junction of the Emu Creek with the River. R.H.

No. 52/600. 17th December. 1852.

J. R. Hurst Esq
Asst. Surveyor
224/228

I am directed by His Excellency the Lieut. Governor to request that you will give a full explanation of the reason that so little work has been performed by you during the last six months. as appears by the annexed particular extracted from your Progress Journals. R.H.

No. 52/601. 20th December. 1852.

J. R. Hurst Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
228/234

With reference to a communication from the Auditor General. I have to request that you will explain how it happened. that the number of men for whom you appear to have drawn rations. very much exceeds the number appearing on your Salary abstracts.— In the month of September. only two

men appear to have been employed by you. and yet rations were drawn for six.— in October. four men from 1st to 31st and two from 6th to 31st but rations have been drawn for a full party up to the end of the year. It will be therefore necessary to charge you with the over-plus. and deduct the amount of your salary. R.H.

No. 52/602. 20th December. 1852.

Robt. Mason Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
225/237.

Similar letter. except respecting number of men employed— Five men employed during month of October but rations drawn for six.

No. 52/603. 20th December. 1852.

Robt. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor
228/229

Referring to my letter of the 17th Instant. No. 52/597 I have to request that you will transfer two men of your party to Mr. Asst. Surveyor Bellairs. who is at present stationed at the South Yarra Pound. R.H.

No. 52/604 21st December. 1852

Robt. Russell Esq
Asst. Surveyor
229/235

With reference to a communication from the Auditor General. I have to request that you will explain how it has happened. that the number of men. for whom you appear. to have drawn rations very much exceeds the number appearing on your Salary Abstracts.— In the month of October. four men were employed by you from 1st to 31st.— One man from. 4th to 10th. and one from 14th to 31st.— yet rations have been drawn for a full party for the month.— It will be therefore necessary to charge you with the Overplus and deduct the amount from your salary. R.H.

No. 52/605. 21st December. 1852.

Eugene Bellairs Esq
Asst. Surveyor
225/230

Similar letter. except respecting number of men employed— In September. only four men employed. and five men from 1st to 7th Octr. Yet rations have been drawn for a full party for those periods. R.H.

No. 52/606. 21st December. 1852

Henry Wade Esq
Surveyor.
221/242.

With reference to Mr. Draftsman Ross's letter of the 17th Inst. enclosing a Memorandum of proposed agreement for the tenancy of the house &c. at Portland at present in the occupation of the Survey Department. I have to acquaint you that I would prefer your hiring the premises for one year certain with three months notice as stipulated but if Mr. Humphreys object to this arrangement you must of course take it as per agreement.

I have further to acquaint you that the whole of Block 29 has been charted as reserved for Immigration purposes and also that some Drawing paper will be forwarded to you by the "Wave". — I herewith enclose a memorandum of the names of the Streets in Casterton Hotspur and Digby as requested. R.H.

W. S. Urquhart Esq
Surveyor
228/231

No. 52/607 21st December 1852.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th Instant and to acquaint you that as His Excellency the Lieut. Governor approved of the Township of Elphinstone being laid out in quarter acre allotments. I presume it would be advisable to adopt the same course with respect to Castlemaine if you consider it likely to become a large and important town. R.H.

Superintendent of Bridges
173/230.

No. 52/608 23rd December 1852

As Mr. Surveyor Skene suggests that a Report on the proposed alteration in the Barrabool Hill Parish Road objection to which have been made by Mr. John Highett should be obtained from Mr. Rowand the Inspector of Public Works for the Western District I have the honor to request that you will have the goodness to instruct that gentleman to furnish such report with as little delay as possible. R.H.

Toolal & Browne
Melbourne
of

No. 52/609. 23rd December 1852

In reply to your letter of this date I have to acquaint you that some allotments in Section 7 will be offered for sale on the 26th proximo but that it is not the intention of Govt. to sell the land opposite Liardet on the St. Kilda side of the Beach Road at present. R.H.

Eugene Bellairs Esq
Asst. Surveyor
229/235.

No. 52/610 23rd December 1852.

As it has been represented to me that the site selected at the Village of Essendon in the Parish of Doutta Galla for Presbyterian Church purposes have not been marked and that great inconvenience and delay has arisen in consequence I request that you will inform me why this duty was neglected and that you will immediately proceed to the ground and have the corners marked in a proper manner. R.H.

H. W. H. Smythe Esq
Commissioner C. Lands
195/240

No. 52/611. 24th December 1852

Your letter of the 16th Instant addressed to the Honorable the Colonial Secretary reporting that the Resident Commissioners Camp at "[illegible] Daisy Hills" is a suitable place for holding Petty Sessions having been referred to me requesting that I would furnish a description of the land in the above locality to be proclaimed as a Reserve for a Township to be called "Teviot". — I have the honor to request that you will have the goodness to transmit to this Office the necessary description of the portion you consider suitable for the purpose as that part of the Murray District has not been as yet surveyed. R.H.

H. B. Foot Esq
Asst. Surveyor
227/233.

No. 52/612. 24th December 1852.

I herewith enclose the copy of a letter addressed to the Honble. Colonial Secretary by Mr. John Chivers and request that you will have the goodness to furnish a report for His Excellency's information. — On referring to the plan I do not see the necessity of the road passing through the centre of the land purchased by Mr. Chivers but consider that the one at the North boundary cannot be dispensed with. R.H.

W. S. Urquhart Esq
Surveyor
230/232.

No. 52/613. 24th December 1852

I have to request that you will cause to be marked at Elphinstone with as little delay as possible some more Sections of 20 quarter acre allotments in each. Also some Suburban Allotments adjoining the Township Boundary of 5 to 10 acres in each and also that you will mark Four or Five Square miles as the extent of the Reserve to include the one already measured. R.H.

Lindsay Clarke Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
228/236.

No. 52/614. 27th December 1852.

I have to request that you will take an early opportunity to mark off the "Dunnborg" Run into suitable farms for sale and that you will include the Homestead and Improvements of the late occupier on a portion of 200 acres forwarding plan with descriptions to this Office. — I enclose herewith a description of the Run for your information and guidance. R.H.

No. 52/615. 27th December. 1852.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor
225/232

Referring to my letter of the 11th Ultimo. No. 52/371. I have to request that you will also mark out Village and Cultivation Allotments at "Williamsons Water Holes." the Cultivation lots to be from 20 to 50 acres each.— forwarding plan with descriptions. R.H.

No. 52/616. 27th December. 1852.

W. S. Urquhart Esq
Surveyor.
231/238

As His Excellency the Lieut. Governor is desirous that a sale of allotments at Castlemaine should be advertised to take place next month if possible. I have to request that you will immediately forward the plan and descriptions of the lots in order that I may be enabled to comply with His Excellency's wishes. R.H.

No. 52/617 28th December. 1852.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor.
232/236.

I have to request that you will have the goodness to report as to the probable value and description of the Improvement made by the Misses Drysdale and Newcombe on portions 23 and 24 in the Parish of Moolap.— I beg to transmit a tracing of the locality for your guidance and information. R.H.

No. 52/618 28th December. 1852

W. N. Gray Esq.
Crown Lands Commissr.
77/240

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th Inst. and to acquaint you that Instructions have been given to Mr. Surveyor Skene to mark out Village and Paddock Allotments at "Williamsons" and the "Muddy Water Holes" on the Buninyong road.— As Mr. Assistant Surveyor Scott has not yet completed the Survey at Mount Shadwell. I shall direct Mr. Skene to extend his field duties to Buninyong where Town and Country Lots seem to be much in request. R.H.

No. 52/619 28th December. 1852

Mr. Armstrong
Moonee Ponds.
of 333

With respect to the Complaint made by you that the Sites selected for Presbyterian Church purposes at the Five Mile Creek were not marked on the ground. I have to acquaint you that on reference to Mr. Asst. Surveyor Bellairs. that Officer reports that the ground in question was duly marked by him and subdivided according to the plan sent to this Office. R.H.

No. 52/620 29th December. 1852.

J. & J. S. Boyd.
Kilmore—
of

In reply to your letter of the 27th Instant. I beg to acquaint you. that as it would be contrary to the Regulations to have land which has been granted under pre-emptive right measured so as not to include the Homestead &c. I cannot comply with your request by instructing Mr. Surveyor White to mark the 1320 acres in the locality you desire. R.H.

No. 52/621 31st December. 1852

H. B. Foot Esq.
Asst. Surveyor.
231/239

I have to request that you will mark a road of one chain in width along the Eastern boundary of W. Guthridge's purchase. as shewn on the tracing annexed. R.H.

No. 52/622. 31st December. 1852

Mr. H. Wythe Junr.
Belfast.
226/

In reply to your letter of the 27th Instant relative to the purchase of Section No. 10 on the Merri River. I have to acquaint you that the Section in question has been already selected. R.H.

Thos. Watson Esq
Asst. Surveyor
228/246.

No. 53/1 3rd January 1853.

I beg to enclose herewith a Tracing of the Coast West from the River Shaw and request that you will at your earliest convenience lay down the fence which forms the boundary between Mr. Pearsons and Messrs. Garrards Run running from the Sea Coast to a certain water hole on the Back Creek. – Annexed is a copy of the description of Mr. Pearsons run for your guidance and information.

R.H.

I. R. Hurst Esq
Asst. Surveyor
228/238.

No. 53/2 3rd January 1853

With reference to your letter of the 29th ultimo explaining why you drew rations for more men than appeared on the Pay Abstract I have to acquaint you that the information was required by the Auditor General.

With respect to the concluding paragraph of your letter I consider you had no reason to draw conclusions that were not warranted from my letter of the 20th Inst. R.H.

Mr. A. M. Ross.
Draftsman.
184/254

No. 53/3. 4th January 1853.

With reference to your letter of the 17th Instant I have to acquaint you that portion 7. Parish of Bolwarra on the Surry River had been previously selected by Mr. Clarke.

Enclosed herewith are Forms of application and a list of portions in the County of Normanby open to selection at the present time but it must be perfectly understood that the lands are also open for selection at this Office and can only be sold to the first applicant tendering the purchase money – A Tracing of the Coast from Bridgewater to the Glenelg is transmitted for Mr. Surveyor Wades information. R.H.

Mr. Joseph Sharrock
Colac.
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No. 53/4 4th January 1853.

In reply to your application dated 30th ultimo I have to acquaint you that as the land therein referred to is not situated within the Agricultural Reserve at Irrewarra it cannot be put up for sale.

R.H.

Eugene Bellairs Esq
Asst. Surveyor
230/235.

No. 53/5. 4th January 1853.

In reply to your letter of the 1st Instant I have to acquaint you that when the design is approved of by His Excellency and the Executive Council the Township and Streets therein will be then named. You will therefore in writing the descriptions leave the name of the Town and Streets blank. – I have further to acquaint you that it will be situated in the County of Bourke Parish of ——.

R.H.

Mr. Adam Murray
Warrnambool.
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No. 53/6. 4th January 1853.

In reply to your letter of the 31st ultimo I have to acquaint you that Instructions will shortly be transmitted to Mr. Asst. Surveyor Watson to lay out Township Allotments on both sides of the Merri River near Woodford and that a portion will be brought into the market probably in May or June.

R.H.

Robt. Russell Esq
Melbourne
229/

No. 53/7 5th January 1853

With reference to your letter of the 15th ultimo in reply to mine of the 14th No. 52/389 I have to acquaint you that as your explanation respecting the quantity of work performed by you between the 1st June and 30th November 1852 is not by any means satisfactory His Excellency the Lieut. Governor has been pleased to direct that your services as an Assistant Surveyor should be dispensed with from the 1st Instant.

R.H.

Eugene Bellairs Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
233/237

No. 53/8 5th January 1853

I herewith enclose a sketch of Messrs. C. & G. Mackells land in the Parish of Yuroke as subdivided by them and recently sold and request that you will report for the information of His Excellency and the Executive Council whether any objection exist to the road from Bulla Bulla being carried along the northern boundary of allotments 3. 2. and 1. from the point marked A until it intersects the Melbourne road at B.

R.H.

Wm. Michl. Spring.
Border Post.
/360

No. 53/9 7th January 1853.

In reply to your letter of the 27th ultimo. I have to acquaint you. that your application will be submitted for His Excellency's consideration. and if approved of the lots will be offered for sale at Portland. I shall at the same time recommend that a few of the 10 acre Suburban may be put up for sale. as the Cultivation of Crown Lands is not permitted by the Regulations. R.H.

Lindsay Clarke Esq.
Asst. Surveyor.
231/239

No. 53/10 7th January 1853.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo. and to acquaint you. that I cannot recommend any further increase to the number of Surveyors in my Department.— With respect to the promotion of the two Officers. who were junior to you in the Department. I have to state that Mr. Hodgkinson was for several years in the employment of Government on the Sydney side. and has been appointed to a special duty. and Mr. Skene has proved one of the most active Officers in the Field. and well merited the promotion. which His Excellency has been pleased to confer on him

Mr. Duncan McRae
Glenbrit. Portland.
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No. 53/11 7th January 1853.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st Instant. and to acquaint you. that the only communication received from you. at this office. has been referred to the Crown Commissioner. whose report is necessary. to enable the Land Board to decide on your claim. R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq.
Surveyor
232/239.

No. 53/12. 7th January 1853.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th Instant. together with the rough plan of Bacchus Marsh. and neighbourhood. and to acquaint you. that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to approve of the site selected for the Township Reserve. and requests that you will report if a safer site for a bridge could not be found near the new Township and higher up the river. than at B.

The references to the proposed alteration in the Reserve are herewith forwarded. R.H.

Robt. Mason Esq.
Asst. Surveyor.
229/242.

No. 53/13. 7th January 1853.

As soon as you have completed the Plan and descriptions of Merriang. I request that you will make an accurate survey of the Village reserved in the Parish of Kalkallo. and lay off about 160 half acre allotments. 10 of such allotments to be comprised in each Section. the streets to be 1/2 chain wide. the main street or Sydney road. being 3 chains wide.—

Enclosed herewith are the necessary references to corners of the Reserve. for your guidance and information. R.H.

Mr. D. McKenzie and others.
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No. 53/14. 7th January 1853.

In reply to an application. dated 1st Instant. from yourself and others. that the Township in the Parish of Kalkallo should be subdivided. and offered for sale. I have to acquaint you. that Instructions have been transmitted to Mr. Assistant Surveyor Mason. to lay off about 160 Half acre allotments. with as little delay as possible. R.H.

Eugene Bellairs Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
235/244.

No. 53/15. 8th January 1853.

With reference to my letter of the 23rd ultimo. No. 52/600. I have to acquaint you that the land marked by you. in Section 1. at Essendon. for Presbyterian Church purposes. does not appear to be the site selected by the Committee.—

I have therefore to request. that you will inform me. if the various sites selected for Church. School. and Minister's Dwelling. were chosen on the ground by any of the Committee. R.H.

Henry Cotton Esq.
Melbourne.
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No. 53/16. 8th January 1833.

I have to acquaint you. that His Excellency the Lieut. Governor has been pleased to approve of your appointment as Temporary Assistant Surveyor in this Department. at a salary of Three Hundred pounds per annum. and an allowance in lieu of Equipment of Two Hundred pounds per annum. to commence from the date. on which you report yourself ready for the Field. R.H.

The Col. Treasurer.
46/300.

No. 53/17 8th January 1853.

I have the honor to request. that you will cause the final Returns of the sale of Lands. which took place at Warrnambool. on the 24th November last. to be furnished

to

to this Office with as little delay as possible in order that the names of the purchasers may be inserted on the plans in this Office.

R.H.

W. L. Urquhart Esq
Surveyor
232/253

No. 53/18 10th January 1853

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 5th Instant together with plan of Castlemaine and the descriptions of 380 allotments measured by you and request that you will not lose sight of the Paddock or Suburban Allotments which are most urgently required. You will also mark some allotments on the opposite side.

R.H.

W. T. Dawson Esq
Asst. Surveyor
227/246.

No. 53/19. 11th January 1853.

I have to request that you will complete the measurement of the Quarry Allotments referred to in my letter of 16th ultimo No. 52/395. with all possible despatch as His Excellency the Lieut. Governor wishes to have more allotments at South Melbourne marked off for sale.

R.H.

Mr. J. A. Freeman
Melbourne
of

No. 53/20 11th January 1853.

In reply to your letter of the 10th Instant in which you offer your services as a Clerk in my Department I have to acquaint you that I do not consider your handwriting sufficiently good to induce me to comply with your request. R.H.

J. R. Hurst Esq
Asst. Surveyor
234/255.

No. 53/21 11th January 1853.

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 8th Instant and in reply to acquaint you that your letter of the 24th ultimo was duly received and laid before His Excellency the Lieut. Governor for his information.

I am now directed to inform you that His Excellency is satisfied with the explanations advanced by you accounting for your slow progress in the Field and approves of your being placed under the direction and control of Mr. Surveyor Skene whose instructions you will carry out with promptness and from whom I hope to receive a favorable report of your progress.

R.H.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor
223/241

No. 53/22. 11th January 1853.

A Return of the number of miles of General Features Surveyed during the year 1852 having been called for by His Excellency the Lieut. Governor I request that you will furnish me without delay with your Progress Journals from 1st January 1852 up to the time you discontinued the survey of the Mallee Scrub as well as your Journal for the last month.

R.H.

Lindsay Clarke Esq
Asst. Surveyor
236/249

No. 53/23 11th January 1853

With reference to your letter of the 31st ultimo I have to acquaint you that Messrs Crouch and Trangmars offer for the supply of provisions to the Officers and men of the Survey Department in the Portland District has been accepted by the Government.

R.H.

H. B. Foot Esq.
Asst. Surveyor.
233/244

No. 53/24 11th January 1853.

As the annual Return of Surveys performed in the year 1852 is called for I request that you will immediately furnish your Progress Journals from January to March inclusive as well as those for the Months of May June and December and explain why they were not sent in after the termination of each month as instructed. R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor
236/240.

No. 53/25. 11th January 1853.

As His Excellency the Lieut. Governor has been pleased to approve of Mr. Assistant Surveyor Hurst being placed under your immediate direction and control I have to request that you will not fail to report to me if your instructions are not carried out with promptness.

I have further to request that you will urge on the various Assistants in your District the necessity of always keeping their Field parties complete if possible.

R.H.

C. R. Read Esq.
Clerk of Petty Sessions
Belfast.
of

No. 53/26. 11th January 1853.

I have to request that you will have the goodness to make the following alteration in the Sale Book of the lands to be sold on the 18th Instant viz – Lot 11 and 12 should be Country and not Suburban and the Parish should be "Warrong" and not "Koroit" as stated in the descriptions.

R.H.

Wm. L. McLeod
Melbourne
of

No. 53/27 11th January 1853

In reply to your letter of the 10th Instant. I have to acquaint you. that Section. 4. in the Parish of Gnarwarre is not open for private sale. nor will it be submitted to public competition. as it is my intention to have it subdivided into Town and Suburban lots. and put up to auction. probably within six months. R.H.

C. H. Symonds Esq.
Audit Office
of

No. 53/28 11th January 1853

In reply to your letter of this date requesting that I would cause 640 acres to be measured at Merriman's Creek. Gipps Land. and put up to auction. I have to acquaint you. that at present there is no Govt. Surveyor in the above locality but your application will be registered. and acted upon. R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor
239/243.

No. 53/29 12th January 1853

I have to request that you will mark off 640 acres for Mr. S. Staughton on the South side of the Little River being the section on which that gentleman intends building and which he will point out to you.- Enclosed are references to Corners of Sections on the North side of the River. for your guidance and information. R.H.

W. N. Gray Esq
Crown Lands Commissr.
232/254

No. 53/30 13th January 1853

I have the honor to forward herewith descriptions of the various Village and Agricultural Reserves within the Portland Bay District. which have been recommended and approved of.

F. A. Powlett Esq
Crown Lands Commissr.
of

No. 53/31. 13th January 1853.

Similar letter — Western Port District.

Edwd. Bell Esq
Crown Lands Commissr.
of

No. 53/32 13th January 1853.

Similar letter — Wimmera District.

H. W. H. Smythe.
Crown Lands Commissr.
231/248.

No. 53/33 13th January 1853

Similar letter — Murray District.

C. J. Tyers Esq.
Crown Lands Commissr.
134/293.

No. 53/34 13th January 1853.

Similar to preceding letter. — Gipps Land District.

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor
239/243

No. 53/35 14th January 1853.

I have to request that you will take an early opportunity to mark off 640 acres of Mr. Wm. Hamilton's run named "Glenarona". Sugar Loaf Creek. granted under pre-emptive right. so as to include his Homestead and improvements. R.H.

Harry Cotton Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
237/242.

No. 53/36. 14th January 1853.

I have to request. that, as soon as you have completed the formation of your Equipment and Field party of six men. You will proceed to the Parish of Cut-paw-paw. for the purpose of measuring lands for sale.—

You will furnish yourself with a Tracing of the Parish Map. with the various references. to the Corners of the portions already marked. and commence at the South-East corner of Section 20. subdividing the remainder of this Section into three portions. You will then proceed with the other unsold Sections in like manner. marking off allotments of 80 acres each. unless where the soil is of good quality. when smaller lots would be desirable.

In subdividing Sections 3. & 4. you will first select the best Crossing place on the Kororoit or Tea tree Creek. for the road lately marked by Mr. Russell. along the Northern boundaries of Sections 11 and 10. in the Parish of Truganina. and continue this line of road Eastwardly to join the road from Williamstown. at the North West corner of allotment 1. of Section 1.- the unsold portion of Section 2. to be reserved as a Common.— You will continue the road from Williamstown. which has been marked as far as the Southern boundary of Section VIII. Northward to the Village Reserve of Footscray. and to the Geelong and Melbourne road. Straightening the latter road from the North West corner of W. Donald's purchase. to the North West corner of J. Holland's 100 acres.— In marking off lands. you will be particularly careful. to leave access to main lines. and to any permanent fresh water holes in the locality.

Your Pay and allowance Abstract are to be made up at the end of each month and transmitted to this Office. as soon as they are passed at the Audit-Office the amount will be payable at the Colonial Treasury.

You will be particular in forwarding your Progress Journals on the 1st of each month in order that I may be enabled to report to His Excellency the Lieut. Governor the nature of your employment and the amount of work performed. R.H.

No. 53/37. 17th January 1853.

Henry Wade Esq.
Surveyor
229/242.

Adverting to your letter of the 8th ultimo. relative to the amount of work performed by you of late. which has been referred to the Colonial Secretary for the information of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor. I am directed to acquaint you that your neglect of duty has been ascribed to habits of intemperance. and it therefore rest with you to state whether you are conscious of having given just occasion for such a report. and that His Excellency is quite ready to take steps to investigate your conduct. if you consider that course necessary. R.H.

No. 53/38 17th January 1853.

Mr. Martin Priest
Timboon
of

With reference to a communication addressed to me by Mr. A. C. MacDonald. on your behalf. I have to acquaint you. that your application has been reported on by the Crown Commissioner. and only awaits the decision of the Land Board. as to your claim to pre-emptive right. R.H.

No. 53/39. 17th January 1853.

Robt. Mason Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
237/243.

I have to request that you will pay immediate attention to the instructions contained in my letter. No. 52/602 dated 31st ultimo. in order that the necessary information may be afforded to the Auditor General. R.H.

No. 53/40 18th January 1853.

Harry Cotton Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
241/248

I have to request that you will proceed to the Village Reserve of Essendon. at the Five Mile Creek. in the Parish of Doutta Galla. and mark off 2 acres. for Presbyterian Church purposes. as shewn on the Tracing herewith enclosed for your guidance. forwarding to this Office. plan with descriptions. R.H.

No. 53/41 18th January 1853.

E. R. White Esq.
Surveyor
241/248

Having requested the sanction of His Excellency to the payment of rations of provisions and forage purchased by you. I am directed to inform you. that you must shew that you applied to the Contractor. and also the assigned grounds of that persons refusal to supply you. – I herewith enclose a Copy of Colonial Secretary's letter for your information. R.H.

No. 53/42 18th January 1853.

R. Yeulley & R. Boyle.
Geelong.
of P

In reply to your letter of the 1st Instant. I have to acquaint you. that the Lease for the "South Beach" Station is now ready for delivery at the Colonial Treasury. R.H.

No. 53/43. 18th January 1853.

Auditor General.
199/244

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th Instant. and beg to transmit herewith. an Estimate in detail of the probable expenses of my Department. during the present year. R.H.

No. 53/44 18th January 1853.

A. J. Skene Esq.
Surveyor
240/244.

I have to request that as soon as you have completed your present Survey at Bacchus Marsh. you will proceed to "Shortlands Bluff". and make a careful survey of the Village Reserve. furnishing a design for a Township. for approval. – I herewith enclose a tracing of the locality. for your information and guidance. R.H.

No. 53/45. 18th January 1853

Fred. Byerley Esq.
Asst. Surveyor.
210/256

I have to request that you will take an early opportunity to mark off 640 acres of Mr. R. C. Hope's run in the Parish of Carrah. so as to include his Homestead and improvements. reserving a crossing place over the Leigh. – I have further to request. that you will make a careful Survey of the Reserve at Lawsons. forwarding a design for a Township and small Cultivation lots. R.H.

No. 53/46. 18th January 1853.

Robt. Mason Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
242/244.

As Mr. Trainer has applied to purchase Two acres at the Village. about to be laid out. in the Parish of Kalkallo request that you will. in marking the Sections. include his Inn and improvements. in four half acre allotments. as he requests. R.H.

No. 53/47. 19th January 1853.

Robt. Mason Esq
Asst. Surveyor
243/246.

I have to request that you will when in the neighbourhood mark off 640 acres at Mr. Budds Station on Steels Creek so as to include the Homestead, improvements &c and that you will measure the above quantity in strict accordance with the Regulations. R.H.

No. 53/48 19th January 1853.

Eugene Bellairs Esq
Asst. Surveyor
237/254

I have to request that you will pay immediate attention to my letter of the 5th Instant No. 53/8 requesting that you would report relative to the alteration in the Bulla Bulla and Yuroke road. R.H.

No. 53/49. 20th January 1853.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor
243/245.

As His Excellency has been pleased to approve of two Blocks of land marked A and B on accompanying tracing being reserved for recreation purposes for the inhabitants of Geelong. I have to request that you will take an early opportunity to mark them off and forward to this Office plan with description. R.H.

No. 53/50 21st January 1853.

H. B. Foot Esq
Asst. Surveyor
239/247

In order that the owners of land South of the Yarra beyond the Township of Templestowe may have access to the most direct roads into Melbourne I request that you will mark a road passing in a South Westwardly direction through W. F. Unwins Special Survey and communicating with any of the roads already laid down through H. Elgars survey towards the Richmond Bridge, forwarding to this Office plan with description. R.H.

No. 53/51 – 21st January 1853.

The Auditor General
243/250

Adverting to your Communication of the 16th ultimo requesting that I should obtain an explanation from certain Surveyors relative to the number of rations drawn by them being in excess of the number of men appearing on their Salary Abstract. I have the honor to transmit for your information letters explanatory of the circumstances received from the Officers therein referred to. R.H.

No. 53/52. 21st January 1853.

Thos. Walson Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
234/245.

I have to request that you will examine the Road from the Beach at the East side of Tower Hill Lake and mark the best line from the point A to B leaving out the road coloured Blue on accompanying tracing and marking instead the proposed one from C to D.

I have also to inform you that Half acre allotments will not be required on the West side of the Merri River at Woodford. R.H.

No. 53/53. 21st January 1853.

Thos. Walson Esq
Asst. Surveyor
243/231.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th Instant and beg to acquaint you that I quite approve of your extending the survey along the Northern boundary of the Parish of Yangery and request that you will mark the land North and North West of Lake Yangoon as far as the boundary of the Settled District into suitable farms for Sale.

I have also to acquaint you that the information requested in my letter of the 3rd Instant relative to Mr. Pearsons boundary is required immediately for the Land Board. R.H.

No. 53/54 21st January 1853.

Mr. Maurice Weston
Melbourne.
of 318

I have to acquaint you that His Excellency the Lieut. Governor has been pleased to appoint you a Draftsman in my Department at a salary of Two Hundred and fifty pounds per annum commencing from the date of your entering on the duties of your Office and to approve of your being placed under the instructions of Mr. Surveyor Skene at Geelong. R.H.

No. 53/55 21st January 1853.

A. J. Skene Esq.
Surveyor.
244/247

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th Instant No. 53/3 and as His Excellency does not conceive that the Government are to be bound to lay out roads to suit Mr. Watts private speculation I request that you will fix the site at C. and mark the road connecting it with the Bacchus Marsh line. R.H.

Mr. Alexr. Macfie
Timboon
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No. 53/56 21st January 1853

In reply to your application to have certain land within the Agricultural Reserve at Mount Rouse offered for sale. I have to acquaint you that the lots therein specified will be included in the next Return which will be submitted for His Excellency's approval.

R.H.

W. T. Dawson Esq
Asst. Surveyor
238/257

No. 53/57. 21st January 1853.

His Excellency having approved of some land on the South side of the Yarra being marked off for Ship building purposes and as a site for a patent Slip. I have to request that you will communicate with Mr. Crown Commissioner Fenwick who will point out the precise locality selected and the quantity to be measured.

I have further to request that you will forward a plan and description of the land to this Office in order that it may be noted on the plans.

R.H.

Henry Miller Esq.
Melbourne.
215/

No. 53/58 22nd January 1853.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st Instant and to acquaint you that instructions will be given Mr. Assistant Surveyor Mason to mark out a Road of 1 chain in width through Sections 7 and 10 in the Parish of Morang to the upper Plenty road and from thence to the River

R.H.

R. Sutherland Esq
Native Creek.
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No. 53/59. 22nd January 1853.

In reply to your letter of the 17th Instant. I have to acquaint you that Mr. Surveyor Skene has been already instructed to mark off the 640 acres allowed you under preemptive right.

R.H.

Robt. Mason Esq
Asst. Surveyor
244/257

No. 53/60 24th January 1853

I have to request that you will forward to this Office a plan of the lines of road marked through the Parishes of Kalkallo and Merriang together with descriptions of the different bearings and lengths of lines. also where crossing Section lines the distance the centre of the road is from the nearest corner in order that no difficulty may be experienced by private Surveyors. should the various proprietors be desirous of sub=dividing their lands for sale. with frontages to the lines marked by you.

R.H.

H. B. Foot Esq
Asst. Surveyor.
244/247

No. 53/61 24th January 1853.

I have to acquaint you that the following portions have been granted by the Land Board under the Regulation of 8th Decr 1851 – viz – 320 acres to Joseph Sell – to be measured in one lot (reserving to the public a road of 1 chain in width running North and South) with the usual frontage to the Dandenong Creek. – 320 acres to James Reardon – Scotchman Creek – 100 acres T. Armstrong – and the same quantity to James Wheeler. – In marking these latter portions care should be taken not to give a larger frontage to the Creek than the Regulations allow. – B. Wheeler application to purchase has been disallowed on the report of the Crown Commissioner.

R.H.

H. B. Foot Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
247/253

No. 53/62. 24th January 1853.

I beg to return herewith your tracing of part of the Parish of Prahran and to acquaint you that I approve of some small allotments being marked in that parish. Adjoining the Village Reserve at the South Yarra Pound as you propose and trust that no delay may take place in the measurement of lands in the neighbourhood. R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor
245/249.

No. 53/63. 24th January 1853.

I have to request that when you are marking out the Town Allotments at Portarlington you will also measure some portions of 2 to 5 acres at the Eastern extremity of the Scrub a short distance to the West of the Township as Mr. W. Riddle of Geelong has applied to purchase land in that locality for the purpose of erecting a Steam Flour Mill.

R.H.

Bench of Magistrates
Williamstown
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No. 53/64 24th January 1853.

I have the honor to forward herewith for your information and guidance the accompanying plan of the lands in the Parish of Cut-paw-paw near Hobsons River from which stone can be quarried for the Public Works at Williamstown.

R.H.

Revd. Wm. Jarrett.
Melbourne.
of

No. 53/65 24th January 1853

In reply to your letter of this date requesting that Half acre allotments in the extension Northwards of North Melbourne may be measured and put up for sale. I have to acquaint you, that such sized allotments cannot be measured in any part of the Town, and that the Town cannot be extended without the authority of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

R.H.

E. R. White Esq.
Surveyor
243/230.

No. 53/66. 24th January 1853.

With reference to your letter of the 1st Instant I have to acquaint you, that Mr. Skene Craig is the Contractor for the present year, and request to be informed if he has refused to forward supplies to you, on your requisition. R.H.

H. W. H. Smythe Esq.
Crown Commissioner
240/289.

No. 53/67. 25th January 1853.

In reply to your letter of the 19th Instant, I have the honor to acquaint you, that most of the Reserves within the District of the Murray were selected from the Return of Reserves recommended by you. — In No. 14 an error appears to have been made, as to the name of the owner of the Station on the Goulbourn, which should have been "Shepherd" and not "Boyd" as therein stated. — I shall cause a Tracing of the District to be made, and forwarded to you, and shall feel obliged by your correcting any error, which may have been committed.

R.H.

Henry Wade Esq.
Surveyor
242/254

No. 53/68 23rd January 1853

With reference to my letter of the 7th Ultimo No. 52/567 instructing you to mark off 100 acres for Mr. Hedditch, I request that you will have the goodness to inform me, why you have not marked the quantity, so as to include his Homestead and improvements.

R.H.

Harry Cotton Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
242/257

No. 53/69. 25th January 1853.

As it is desirable that allotments should be marked off for sale, in the Village of Braybrook, I request that you will make a careful survey of the features of the Reserve on both sides of the Salt Water River, and mark off six Sections containing 20 half acre allotments in each, with Streets of 1 1/2 chain in width. You will forward a plan on a scale of 8 chains to an inch, together with descriptions of the various lots.

R.H.

W. V. Akehurst Esq.
Buninyong.
of P

No. 53/70 25th January 1853.

In reply to your communication of the 22nd Instant, in which you offer your services to survey by contract lands in the vicinity of Buninyong, I have to acquaint you, that Mr. Asst. Surveyor Harper, who is at present stationed at Ballan, has been instructed to mark off the lands for sale in that locality.

R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq.
Surveyor.
247/249.

No. 53/71. 25th January 1853.

I beg to transmit herewith Copies of instructions forwarded at various times to Mr. Asst. Surveyor Hurst, to which he does not appear to have paid any attention, and to request that you will have the goodness to cause him to carry out my wishes, without any further delay.

R.H.

Lindsay Clarke Esq.
Asst. Surveyor.
239/253

No. 53/72 25th January 1853.

In reply to your letter of the 21st Instant, I have to acquaint you, that as soon as a Box is completed for a Theodolite, which I purpose lending to Mr. Assistant Surveyor Cotton, I shall forward to you the Circumferentor, which that Officer has at present in use.

R.H.

A. J. Skene Esq.
Surveyor.
249/251.

No. 53/73. 26th January 1853.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd Instant, and request that you will measure 640 acres of Section No. 11, in the Parish of Pywheitjork, for Mr. S. Staughton, taking care to afford access from the back portions, to the Village Reserve, and to the River for water. — I herewith enclose the references to corner, for your information and guidance.

R.H.

No. 53/74 27th January 1853.

The Auditor General
244/271

With reference to the Honble the Colonial Secretary's Circular letter No. 53/1. relative to granting arrear Salaries from the 1st May to 31st December 1852. to Heads of Departments. Clerks &c. I have the honor to transmit the accompanying form with the names of the parties in my Department whom I would recommend for increased Salary. and the rate I would propose for each under the arrangements therein alluded to.

R.H.

No. 53/75 28th January 1853

E. R. White Esq
Surveyor
248/253

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th Instant. and with reference to laying out the Agricultural Reserve at Kilmore. I have to request that the land fronting the Melbourne Road from Kilmore may be measured in 10. 20. 40. and 80 acre portions and none to exceed 160 acres. in order that small Capitalists may have an opportunity of purchasing. When you have completed the measurement of these lots you will furnish me with a plan and description. & in order that they may be included in the sale to be held at Kilmore. In the event of any allotment marked embracing portions of two different Counties. it would be desirable that the area of each portion should be ascertained. and described accordingly. I regret that at present there is no Instrument in the Office which I could lend you.

R.H.

No. 53/76. 28th January 1853.

Superintendent of Bridges
230/289.

As Mr. Assistant Surveyor Dawson has reported to me. that some of the water pipes lately laid down. on the road towards the Beach at Sandridge. are not on the line of Street. but encroach on the allotments lately sold by the Government. I have the honor to request. that you will have the goodness to cause enquiry to be made into the matter. and should such be the case. that steps may be taken to have them removed as early as possible.

R.H.

No. 53/77. 28th January 1853.

R. A. Fenwick Esq
Crown Commissioner
187/326.

I have the honor to transmit. for your information. the accompanying plan shewing the allotment at South Melbourne. marked by order of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor. on which it is proposed to locate the Immigrants from Great Britain. at present residing in Tents on the South side of the Yarra.

R.H.

No. 53/78 29th January 1853

A. J. Skene Esq
Surveyor
249/256.

I have to request that you will have the goodness to inform me. whether it would not be advisable to change the site of the Bridge at Bates Ford. about 100 yards higher up the River. and that you will while at Geelong. inspect and report on same.

R.H.

No. 53/79. 31st January 1853.

Wm. Rutledge. M.L.C.
Belfast
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I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st Instant. and to acquaint you. that a Return of Land in the Belfast District recommended for sale is in course of preparation. which will probably be submitted to public competition about the middle of March. –

I beg to state that I do not see the necessity of another Surveyor being stationed at Port Fairy. as the Land within 10 miles of Belfast and Warrnambool is nearly all measured. – With respect to a Clerk being required to attend the Office. I shall bring the subject under the notice of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor.

R.H.

No. 53/80 31st January 1853.

Wm. Rutledge M.L.C.
Belfast.
231/257

In reply to your letter of the 21st Instant. I have to acquaint you. that Mr. Asst. Surveyor Watson has been instructed to examine the road in the vicinity of Tower Hill Lake. and to report as to the necessity of altering the one already proclaimed.

R.H.

No. 53/81. 31st January 1853

Thos. Watson Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
243/254

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd Instant. together with plan and descriptions of the land on the East side of the Hopkins River. and to acquaint you that portion A.1. will be reserved from sale. for the present.

I await.

I await your report on the road which Mr. Rutledge has applied should be laid off in the vicinity of Tower Hill Lake and request that you will report whether it is absolutely necessary to alter that part of the road running from the Main Point through Mr. Rutledge's Special Survey to Belfast which has been proclaimed and confirmed by the Government.

R.H.

No. 53/82 31st January 1853

Police Magistrate
Castlemaine.
1. Town of Carisbrook.
2. Agricultural Allotments &c
0/345.

I have the honor to forward the accompanying plans for the purpose of being exhibited at the sale of Crown Lands to be held at the Police Office Castlemaine on the 16th 17th and 18th proximo.

R.H.

No. 53/83 1st February 1853

Mr. Thos. Hay
Emigrants Home Batmans Hill.
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I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo and to acquaint you that at present there is not any vacancy in my Department but I would suggest your calling on the Colonial Engineer King St. to whom your letter has been referred.

R.H.

No. 53/84 3rd February 1853

Mr. Allan McDonald
Warrnambool
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I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo and in reply to acquaint you that your suggestion with respect to the line of road between Woodford and Warrnambool as well as having some allotments at the former place submitted to public competition shall be attended to.

R.H.

No. 53/85 3rd February 1853

Mr. Jas. G. Carr
Geelong
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In reply to your letter of the 2nd instant on behalf of Mr. J. Forster respecting the measurement of certain land at Geelong advertised for sale I have to acquaint you that Mr. Forster's right to the Government Sale therein referred to has not been interfered with and that Lots 19a and 19b do not contain 1 rood each as misprinted in the Gazette but 30 perches as stated in the Sales Book which is to be signed by the various purchasers.

R.H.

No. 53/86 4th February 1853.

E. R. White Esq.
Surveyor
250/253

I herewith return your Progress Journal for the past month which is not filled up according to the Regulations as the number of miles chained and measured per Field Book should be distinctly shewn in their respective columns and beg to inform you that until such information is afforded I must decline signing your Salary Abstract.

R.H.

No. 53/87 4th February 1853.

W. S. Urquhart Esq.
Surveyor.
238/256.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo together with plan and descriptions of allotments in the Township of Elphinstone marked off by you which appear very satisfactory and to acquaint you that I quite approve of the instructions furnished by you to Mr. Assistant Surveyor Chauncy.

R.H.

No. 53/88. 4th February 1853.

H. B. Foot Esq.
Asst. Surveyor
247/256

In returning you the plan and descriptions of subdivisions in the Parish of Boroondara I have to acquaint you that they do not correspond with each other as in every portion you have described the lines as bearing North South East and West whereas by the length of lines marked on the plan there must be deviations in almost all the bearings. I have therefore to request that you will revise and correct the descriptions and return the same with as little delay as possible.

R.H.

No. 53/89. 8th February 1853

Edwd. R. White Esqre
Surveyor
258/256

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th instant together with your Progress Journals filled in as instructed, and to acquaint you that as the Governor General and Lieutt. Governor have approved of the form of Journal now in use I see no reason why you in particular should be exempted from filling them up properly. I have further to acquaint you that I consider the insinuation contained in the latter part of your letter quite uncalled for.

R.H.

No. 53/90 8th February 1853

Lindsay Clarke Esqre
Assist. Surveyor
249/256

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ulto., and herewith send you a corrected description of the "Drumborg" run. I beg to inform you that the bearing of the allotment must be marked in the direction

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