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79 Date 13 Jan
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Crown Law Dept.

Forwards petition from Inhabitants of Lake Rowan
praying for release of prisoner Joseph Ryan
detained under "Felon's apprehension Act"

Jan

22-1-79
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Joseph Ryan has not long been a resident at Lake Rowan. He is a known associate of the authors & owing to his frequent visits to Gsta since the murders, as also to some of their known haunts, has had to be kept constantly under the surveillance of the Police. Besides at the trial of Mrs Kelly, McKinn & Williamson, he committed deliberate perjury by swearing to an alibi & denying his family connection with the Kellys, which he subsequently admitted under examination.

He was this day remanded at Buckworth for a week & I think it would be most inadvisable

to comply with the prayer of the attached memorial.

Prayer of petition
cannot be granted
J.O.F.

8/2/79

25-1-79
7.3.79

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F.C. Warburton

C.C. P. Ch.

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Chief Secretary's Office
Melbourne February 1879

Sir

By direction of the Acting Chief
Secretary I have the honour to
acknowledge the receipt, through the
Minister of Justice, of two memorials
signed by yourself and others on
behalf of Joseph Ryan, and praying
for his release from Beechworth gaol
where he is at present confined under
the "Irish Apprehension Act"; and
in reply I am to inform you that
the prayer of the petition cannot
be granted.

W. John Houston.

Lake Rowan.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

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Law Department.

Date Jan'y. 13th

Received " 1878.

Inhabitants
Lake Rowan
Pray for release of prisoner Joseph Ryan
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Forwarded to the Acting
Chief Secretary. Mr. J. H.
M.P. who presented the
within has been informed
accordingly.

20/1/79.

M. Frank
M. J. S.

Forward to the Chief
Commission of Police
for his report

C. Police
22. 1. 79 J. V. S.

L. C. Police accordingly

W. H. Rogers
21. 1. 79

2nd lot

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Lake Rowan
13th January 1879

The Honorable
The Minister of Justice

Sir

We the undersigned Inhabitants
of Lake Rowan District, have the honor to
state that we have known Joseph Ryan
who is now incarcerated in Beechworth Jail
ever since he came to reside in this District
and can assure you that he has always
conducted himself in an upright honorable
manner, as well as being a hard working
industrious young man

We sympathize deeply with the family to
which he belongs, in their distress, caused by
his being taken suddenly away to Prison like
a felon

Every member of his Father's family has always
maintained a good name, and are highly
respected by every member of our Community

We therefore pray that you will take steps
for his immediate release, and return to
the bosom of his sorrowing family, as we are
convinced that he is entirely innocent of any
complicity with the notorious Outlaws

We have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obed^t Servants

Noah Savage

Alan Cameron

John Houston

Patrick Murphy
John Murphy
John Frost
John Macary

^{John McCallum}
M. J. McCallum Farmer Karrabumet
William McCallum " "

George J. Farmer Karrabumet
John Patterson Carpenter
John Harrison Labourer
W. Ryan Labourer

William Agnew Sevensh
Robt MacArthur Carpenter Lake Rowan
Thomas Deftley Farmer Lake Rowan
Joseph Caruthers Carpenter Lake Rowan
Nechal Downs Farmer

Charles Ernest Hutchinson Farmer Lake Rowan

George Irvine Blacksmith Lake Rowan

Charles Cameron Blacksmith Lake Rowan

Edward Russell

William Pullard Farmer St James

John Carr Farmer Brownson

W. W. Waver

John Allan McFarson former Bendlog

John Foster groom Lake Rowan

William Greenwood

John Weaver

John Church

Thomas Parlin Rowans Swamp

John Chesters Farmer Karrabumet

A. MacPherson Bundalong

Edward Larkin Rowans Swamp

George Phillips Lake Rowan

William Symes Farmer Lake Rowan
Henry Taylor Farmer Lake Rowan
Thomas Chisters Farmer Lake Rowan
William Grindal labouring man
Thomas Thornburn Farmer Lake Rowan
Henry Deasly Farmer Lake Rowan

2nd St

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Lake Rowan
13th January 1879

The Honorable

The Minister of Justice

Sir

We the undersigned
residing in the neighbourhood of
Lake Rowan, formerly residents of Mallan Mallan
and neighbours both then, and now, of
Joseph Ryan (who is now imprisoned in
Beechworth Jail) and his Father's Family
have the honor to state, that we have known
him for a period of at least fifteen years, ever
since he was a Child, and that we have never
known anything against him, but on the
contrary we can assure you, that he and the
Family to which he belongs, have always
conducted themselves as honest upright
Citizens who had the respect and esteem of
the whole neighbourhood where they resided
and has in every way assisted his Father
by persevering industry to rear up the
younger members of the family in
respectability

We have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedt Servants
Thomas Wall.

Thomas O'Shaughnessy

Richard. S. Welsh

John Johnston

John Larkin
Patrick Larkin
Bernard Fitzpatrick
G. H. O'Shea
Mary Rowe
John Bergin
James Johnston
Edward Nash
Michael Bergan
Allen Macdonald