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LETTERS RELATING TO MORETON BAY AND QUEENSLAND RECEIVED 1822 – 1860

LETTERS RECEIVED 1856 AND PAPERS FILED WITH THEM – REEL A2.35 CONTINUED FROM REEL A2.34

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	56/00074	1856 01 02	Colonial Treasurer	Police Office, Ipswich Charles George Gray Police Magistrate	1855 12 20	At top: "Police Magistrate Ipswich" Forwarding Memorial of Henry Brooks of Ipswich, baker – on 5 th inst applied at this Bench for Confectioners Licence - refused as applicant had not complied with rules by not sending his application 21 clear days before said Licensing day - applicant is sober industrious man, erred in this instance through ignorance – recommends petition for favourable consideration [No 55/242] & Notes in margin W V	A2.35	001 – 002
	55/00074 [should be 56/00074]		Bench of Magistrates, Ipswich	Treasury Francis L S Merewether	1856 01 02~ 1856 01 03~ 1855 12 31 1856 01 10	Applicant having omitted to apply to Justices at time prescribed by law, cannot get Special License – should renew application to Magistrates in time for next Session to be held March next Forwarded to Colonial Secretary to whom this letter should have been addressed – blank cover - No 591 Inform applicant & acknowledge receipt of letter from Bench Police Magistrate		003
	56/00088	1856 01 04	Hon CS	Custom House, Sydney J Gibbes, Collector	1856 01 02	At top: "Collector of Customs" Transmitting letter from Sub-Collector of Customs [not filmed here] requesting permission to dispense with declarations of owner of 2 steam vessels who is absent from Colony – appear to be cases under jurisdiction of 97 Section of Merchant and Shipping Act [Margin: Imperial / 17 & 18 Vic – Cap 104] – thinks application should be granted, full authority given to His Excellency for that purpose by 31 st Section of Act [No 1] Also at top: "Asking to be allowed to dispense with declarations of absent owner of vessels to be registered de novo" & Notes in margin	A2.35	004 - 006
				"C D R"	1856 01 04~ 1856 01 08	Application may be granted in absence of Governor General Collector of Customs – Entd - "W N L"		

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	56/00119	1856 01 07	Hon CS	H M Gaol, Brisbane J C Wickham, V J	1855 12 24	At top: "Visiting Justice of H M Gaol Brisbane" Returning Warrant for removal of Catherine Huggins to Lunatic Asylum Tarban Creek lately detained in this Gaol as dangerous lunatic: Magistrate who signed Warrant of Committal having subsequently reconsidered case & ascertained that Catherine Huggins had recovered & no longer dangerous, caused her to be liberated from Gaol, she having entered into required security to be of good behaviour & Notes in margin M F Nothing required – "Put by"	A2.35	007
	56/00119		Visiting Justice Brisbane Gaol & Superintendent of Lunatic Asylum, Tarban Creek	Government House, Sydney William Thomas Denison Governor General	1856 01 08~ 1856 01 08~ 1855 12 10	[PRINTED WARRANT] At top: "Warrant under 1 st and 2 nd & 4 th Sections of Act 7 Victoria No 14" Whereas it has been duly certified to me that in accordance with provisions of Act of Council 7 Vict No 14, Catherine Huggins committed to Brisbane Gaol as dangerous lunatic, I hereby order Catherine Huggins be removed from Gaol to Lunatic Asylum Tarban Creek, there to remain until certified that Catherine Huggins has become of sound mind or until she shall be otherwise discharged by due course of law – I hereby require & order Catherine Huggins to be received into said Asylum "Given under My Hand at Government House, Sydney this 10 th day of December 1855 – W Denison" "By His Excellency's Command – W Elyard for Colonial Secretary" "M F"		008
	55/12304	1855 12 10	Hon CS	H M Gaol, Brisbane J C Wickham, V J	1855 12 03	At top: "Visiting Justice of H M Gaol Brisbane" Letter informing Catherine Huggins was committed to this Gaol from Brisbane Bench on 30 th ult as dangerous lunatic: forwards copy of Warrant of Committal & requests necessary authority be sent to him for her removal to Lunatic Asylum Tarban Creek – her family now residing in Brisbane are not in position to contribute to her support & Notes in margin M F This is regular Warrant herewith Visiting Justice – noted [Ref 56/00119]	A2.35	009
	55/12304		Samuel Sneyd, Chief Constable, Brisbane & Keeper of Gaol at Brisbane	Brisbane W A Duncan JP Henry Buckley JP	1855 12 10~ 1855 12 10~ 1855 12 11~ 1855 11 30	[WARRANT OF COMMITTAL] "Copy" New South Wales – To Wit: Catherine Huggins of Brisbane apprehended at Brisbane under circumstances denoting derangement of mind & purpose of committing suicide & said Catherine Huggins being brought before us, 2 of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, called for assistance of 2 legally qualified medical practitioners – upon examination of Catherine Huggins & upon proof on oath by said 2 medical practitioners that in their opinion Catherine Huggins is dangerous lunatic ... we the said Justices are satisfied Catherine Huggins is dangerous lunatic - therefore command Constables to convey & deliver into custody of Keeper of Common Gaol Brisbane, Catherine Huggins & we command you ... Keeper of Common Gaol Brisbane receive into custody ... Catherine Huggins ... dangerous lunatic & keep her in strict custody until discharged by order of 2 Justices of Peace, one of whom shall be one of us William Augustine Duncan & Henry Buckley or by Judge of Supreme Court of New South Wales or until she is		010 – 011

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				"C D R" "W D"	1855 12 18 1855 12 10~ 1855 12 21 1855 12 21~	I need? again I know nothing of this – reference had better be made to Resident Government Resident Informed [Ref 56/00214]		
	55/12522	1855 12 17	Hon CS	129 Pitt Street, Sydney L S Jacobsen [as it is - also spelt Jacobson]	1855 12 10	At top: "L S Jacobson" Letter requesting payment by Government for articles enumerated in accompanying account to Port Curtis Department without delay: states property furnished on order of F Garland Mylrea for Government buildings as far back as 1854 – encloses this order herewith, together with 2 letters from Mr Mylrea dated 11 July 1854 & 22 May 1855 In first of these letters [Margin: 11 th July 1854] Mr Mylrea promises to send him cheque for amount of account by return mail after receipt of goods which he failed to do – in latter [Margin: 22 May 1855] Mr Mylrea (who addresses him from Civil Engineers Department Fitzroy Dock) informs he is again going to apply to Government for balance said to be due to him, & contingent upon receipt of whole of which, he promises to pay his demand – discusses re Mr Mylrea's promises, mentions still unpaid after 6 months - submits circumstances for consideration - any enquiry you may direct in this matter will lead ultimately to his being paid for articles furnished to Government as specially required by Mr Mylrea both in his requisition for the property as well as in his letter bearing same date & Note in margin – 56/476 - 56/00214	A2.35	019
	55/12522		L S Jacobsen	Civil Engineer Department Fitzroy Dry Dock F Garland Mylrea	1855 05 22	Letter informing his 2 letters to him returned from Port Curtis, & at same time received his note by hand about Accounts for Tools, Nails etc sent for Government buildings for his use when he was at Port Curtis – <u>very sorry</u> money has not been paid "as you were so attentive & prompt with order" – assures him it is not his fault: states no money paid to him from Government for tools etc supplied or he would have paid it to him – still balance owing to him by Government for buildings at Port Curtis of £81-15-0 for which he is now again to apply – refers him to Government Resident Port Curtis as to how account is to be paid as they have kept all of the things as Government property when his furniture etc was sold at Port Curtis & this alone makes them liable for the money, though the things were supplied for Government – as soon as he gets answer will let him know & he will be either paid at once or have to apply to Government Resident		020 – 023
	55/12522		Mr Jacobson [as it is] Pitt Street, Sydney	Gladstone, Port Curtis F Garland Mylrea	1854 07 11	Letter requesting him to sign receipts at bottom of enclosed Vouchers [not filmed here] & return them to him by mail which " <i>Tom Tough</i> " Schooner will bring – must post them in a day or two after receiving this as " <i>Tom Tough</i> " will leave Sydney a week after she arrives there - mentions he bought "these things of you" some months ago at 2 or 3 different times ("when I used to have grapes & Colonial Wine") & these receipts being sent to you to sign are to send in with accounts & required by Government – encloses list of tools & other articles which he requires on account of Government buildings here & thanks him to carefully pack them & send on board Government Chartered Schooner " <i>Tom Tough</i> " - will probably be at Morris & Co Albion Wharf in course of 3 or 4 days after receiving this - they will give you receipt for these & so soon as he receives them here & his account, will send him a cheque by return mail, & similar set of Vouchers &		024 – 027

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	55/12522					<p>receipts for Government to sign If not wanting the order, to send it to Thomas Woolley who will execute it at once – only giving it to him as likes his manner of dealing – very obliging “in getting me the grapes” – also obliged if he will have a hundred grape vine cuttings from good muscatels & other grapes got ready & carefully packed to send on board “<i>Tom Tough</i>” for him, addressed to F Garland Mylrea Esquire, Port Curtis – Government Supplies; also have order for Ironmongery addressed in same way – “be careful that the things are good”</p> <p>[ACCOUNT] Her Majesty’s Government of New South Wales – Dr to L P Jacobsen Ironmonger of Pitt Street, Sydney for furnishing undermentioned articles to Port Curtis Department for Public Buildings at Port Curtis by order of <u>F Garland Mylrea bearing date 11th July 1854 (herewith transmitted)</u> <i>[costs are noted here]</i> 1 Set of 3 Planes: 1 Trying Plane – 1 Jack Plane – 1 Smoothing Plane; 1 3/8 inch Bead Plane; 12 Wedges 6 large & being 1 set of 9 & 3 large ones 6 smaller; 6 Stout Mallrings; 1 Cross Cut Saw 6ft plate to be a thin plate; 1 Adze; 1 American Tomahawe [as it is – Tomahawk?] 8 Gimlets (4 very large & 4 smaller sizes); 1 Spokeshave; 1 large Gouge; 2 Chisels; 1 Heavy Carpenters Hammer; 40 Thousand Shingle Nails; 10 thousand Flooring Brads 2½inches; 150 Spike Nails; 500 – 3in Nails; 3000 Batten nails; [p 029] 50 Screw Bolts with Nuts; 50 Plain Bolts – both these bolts to be made of 5/8 inch Iron & to be 5 inches long overall; 1 Street Door Lock & Keys; 1 Brass Door Knob for centre of door; 6 Rimmed Door Locks & Keys; 12 Long Door Bolts; 6 Upright Door Bolts for folding doors; 4 Cupboard Locks & Keys; 4 inside Cupboard Door Bolts; 2 Box Locks & Keys; 12 Hat & Coat Pegs; 6 prs 18 inch or 20 inch T Hinghes [as it is – Hinges?] 6 pr 12 inch T Hinghes; 2 pr Butt Hinghes 4 inches; 3 pr Butt Hinghes 3 inches; 3 pr Butt Hinghes 2 inches; Glue; Putty; 1 Wooden Tap for Water Butt; Cart Hire; Cases etc TOTAL: £25-13-0</p>		028 – 029
	55/12522			Gladstone, Port Curtis F Garland Mylrea	1854 07 11	<p><u>Required for the erection of Government Buildings for Mr F Garland Mylrea</u> 1 Set of 3 Planes: 1 Trying Plane / 1 Jack Plane / 1 Smoothing Plane; 1 3/8 inch Bead Plane; 12 Wedges 6 large & (being 1 set of 9 & 3 large ones) 6 smaller; 6 Stout Mallrings; 1 Cross Cut Saw - 6ft plate to be a thin plate; 1 Adze; 1 small American Tomahawk; 8 Gimblets [see also Gimlets] (4 very large & 4 smaller) sizes; 1 Spoke Shave [as it is]; 1 large Gouge Chisel (1 inch) 1 smaller (½ inch); 1 Heavy Carpenter’s Hammer; 40 Thousand Shingle Nails; 10 thousand Flooring Brads - 2½inches; 150 Spike Nails; 500 3 inch Nails; 3000 Batten nails; 50 Screw Bolts (with Nuts); 50 Plain Bolts – both these bolts to be made of 5/8 inch Iron & to be 5 inches long overall; 1 Street Door Lock & Keys; 1 Brass Knob for Centre of Door; 6 Rimmed Door Locks & Keys; 12 Long Door Bolts; 6 Upright Door Bolts (for folding doors); 4 Cupboard Locks & Keys; 4 inside Cupboard Door Bolts - small; 12 Box Locks & Keys; 12 Hat & Coat Pegs; 6 pairs 18 or 20 inch T Hinges; 6 pair 13 inch T Hinges; 2 pr Butt Hinges 4 inches long; 3 pr Butt Hinges 3 inches long; 3 pr Butt Hinges 2 inches long; <u>some glue and putty;</u> and 1 Wooden Water Butt Tap</p>		030

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						[Cover] [PRINTED] Requisition for Printed Forms [crossed out] List of Tools, etc required – "F G M"		031
	56/00324	1856 01 12	Hon CS	Court House, Dalby for the Bench Joshua & Alex Bell JP "M F"	1855 12 00~ 1856 01 15~ 1856 01 16~ 1856 01 18~ 1856 01 22	At top: "Bench" Letter informing Police Office there not supplied with Acts of Council 17th & 18th Victoria (1853 & 1854) – as they are frequently required would be obliged if they may be sent as soon as practicable & Notes in margin M F For approval Approved Government Printer, Bench Dalby	A2.35	032
	56/00408	1856 01 15	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne "E D T" "W D"	1856 01 14 1856 01 19~ 1856 01 21~ 1856 01 21~ 1856 01 22 1856 01 25	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Transmitting enclosed copy letter received from Stephen Ferriter re surcharge £45-16-8 made against him by Government for Quarters occupied by him when Assistant Immigration Agent at Moreton Bay: was led to suppose Quarters were given to Mr Ferriter without charge, recommends further consideration of claim now made on him by Government [No 56/20] & Notes in margin Any former Papers? Papers on Mr F's application - 55/09569 & other papers herewith Matter already decided in reference made by Auditor General – see 55/09569 Agent for Immigration to be informed Immigration Agent "G W N"	A2.35	033 – 034
	56/00408		Immigration Agent, Sydney	Moreton Bay John Stephen Ferriter late Assistant Immigration Agent, Moreton Bay	1856 01 01	<u>Enclosure referred to in Immigration Agent's letter to Colonial Secretary of 14th January 1856 No 56/20</u> On return from some months in Country for change of air, received letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay informing him Governor General directed he should be called upon to refund £45-16-8 on account of Quarters allowed him at Moreton Bay as Assistant Immigration Agent during period 1st July to 31st December 1854: prior to commencing his duty as Assistant Immigration Agent Moreton Bay, waited on late Governor General in Sydney who told him he should have Quarters rent free, in consequence of salary & allowance being only £300 & which he believes "you as well as Government Resident Moreton Bay understood to be the case", particularly latter gentleman who, when he applied to him for payment of necessary repairs to Quarters before he could occupy them, observed that as he held them rent free, he could not promise any repayment – addressing him as head of Department, seeking Governor General's consideration in order present surcharge may not be enforced		035 – 037
	55/09569	1855 09 04	Hon CS	Audit Office, Sydney John Stirling	1855 09 03	At top: "Auditor General" Submitting copy letter which he addressed 2nd ult to Government Resident Moreton Bay [not filmed here] enquiring whether Assistant Immigration Agent there had received special authority for payment of temporary	A2.35	038 – 040

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	56/00413	1856 01 14	Hon CS	Police Office, Ipswich Charles George Gray Police Magistrate "J C W" "W D"	1856 01 05 1856 01 15~ 1856 01 15 1856 01 18	At top: "Police Magistrate" Forwarding application of Clerk of Bench for leave of absence for 1 month – on Mr Daveney's appointing eligible substitute, shall be able to spare him from duties for period mentioned & recommends to Governor General's consideration [No 56/6] & Notes in margin No 1 Forwarded January 9, 1856 See 56/00407 Submitting for approval Approved Bench Ipswich	A2.35	051 - 052
	56/00407	1856 01 14	Hon CS	Police Office, Ipswich Fred C Daveney [as it is - see also Fred C T Daveney] Clerk of Petty Sessions "J C W"	1856 01 01	At top: "Clerk of Petty Sessions Ipswich" Letter requesting 1 months leave of absence from duties at Ipswich: secured services of gentleman to perform his duties, is conversant with office routine – should any unforeseen circumstance occur requiring his attention during his absence, will be immediately on the spot - is not leaving District but going into country with family for a change – trusting Governor General will grant this indulgence & Note in margin - Forwarded 9 January 1856 – see 56/00413	A2.35	053 – 054
	56/00433	1856 01 14	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney, Surveyor General	1856 01 11 1856 01 15~ 1856 01 31	At top: "Surveyor General" Letter re CS letter 28 th November last No 1010 [Margin: 11082] informing Governor General in Council pleased to approve amended design for Village of Goodna submitted in his letter 25 th October last & requesting him to forward copy of Design so approved to Bench nearest Village: states copy Design transmitted to Bench Ipswich accordingly [No 56/30] & Notes in margin For usual Notice Notified in Government Gazette 18 January 1856 Surveyor General "H N"	A2.35	055 – 056
	55/11082	1855 10 29	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney, Surveyor General "W E" Michael Fitzpatrick Clerk of the Council "W D"	1855 10 25 1855 10 29 1955 10 30~ [no date] 1855 11 10~ 1855 11 12 1855 11 28 1856 01 07	At top: "Surveyor General" Letter retransmitting amended & for approval Design for proposed Village of Goodna returned to office by CS letter 13 th ult No 787: will be seen that main street through which, as being best & most level, it is concluded anticipated railway will pass, has been made 3 chains in breadth in accordance with opinion of Governor General in Council [No 55/921] & Notes in margin Clerk of Executive Council – blank cover Noted M13072 <u>Executive</u> 55/262 – 31 October 1855 Council not aware of any reason why Plan so amended should not be approved – noted - No 55/275 Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Surveyor General "End of year" – resubmitted "H H"	A2.35	057 – 058

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				<p>"M F"</p> <p>Executive Council Office, Sydney Michael Fitzpatrick Clerk of the Council</p> <p>"W D"</p>	<p>1856 01 08~ 1856 01 09</p> <p>1855 09 05</p> <p>1855 09 05~ 1855 09 13</p>	<p>& Notes re above Surveyor General to report whether Plan forwarded to nearest Bench Surveyor General "End of month" [Ref 56/00433]</p> <p>At top: "M13072 – 6th September 1855" <u>Proceedings of Executive Council 20th August 1855 with respect to Design for Village to be called "Goodna" – Minute No 55/29 – confirmed 4th September 1855</u> His Excellency the Governor General lays before Council letter from Surveyor General submitting for approval Design for village on River Brisbane in County of Stanley & on High Road from Brisbane to Ipswich, to be called "Goodna" [No 55/222] 2 Council observe with reference to this Design that, as it is possible that a Railway will at no very distant date be constructed from Brisbane to Ipswich, streets in proposed village of "Goodna" running East & West, or the particular street through which such Railway will probably pass should be of greater breadth than usual (say 3 chains) in order to facilitate passage through it of such Railway – they accordingly advise matter be referred back to Surveyor General</p> <p>& Notes in margin Approved Surveyor General informed "End of October" [Ref 55/11082] noted</p>		059 – 061
	55/08570	1855 08 13	Hon CS	<p>Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell "H H"</p> <p>"W E"</p> <p>"M F"</p>	<p>1855 08 09</p> <p>1855 08 13~ 1855 08 14~ 1855 08 13</p> <p>1855 08 20</p>	<p>At top: "Surveyor General" Letter forwarding for approval design for proposed Village of Goodna in County of Stanley [No 55/670]</p> <p>& Notes in margin For Executive Council Noted Blank cover <u>Executive</u> 55/234 – Omitted 15th August 1855 "H H" Laid before Executive Council 20th August 1855 – Min 55/29 [Ref M13072]</p>	A2.35	062
	56/00450	1856 01 15	Hon CS	<p>Revenue Branch, Treasury, Sydney for Colonial Treasurer Stephen Greenhill E W Hollinworth "J N"? "G N"</p> <p>"M F"</p> <p>"E D T"</p> <p>"W D"</p> <p>"M F"</p>	<p>1856 01 14</p> <p>1856 01 16~ 1856 01 17~</p> <p>1856 01 19</p> <p>1856 01 22~ 1856 01 28~ 1856 01 31</p>	<p>At top: "Colonial Treasurer" Transmitting copy of letter from Police Magistrate Ipswich suggesting that sale of land proclaimed to be held at that place on 22nd inst should be postponed [No 56/44]</p> <p>& Notes in margin M F For decision – right to remark that sale cannot be postponed, land must be withdrawn from sale & reproclaimed It is too late to notify any decision – sale taking place on Monday Yes it is now too late to make any order in this respect Inform Treasurer Colonial Treasurer</p>	A2.35	063 – 064

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	56/00450		Hon Colonial Treasurer	Crown Land Office, Ipswich Charles George Gray, Police Magistrate	1856 01 09	"Copy" Enclosed in Colonial Treasurer's letter of 14 th January 1856, No 44 Letter informing just received instructions re Land Sale to be held here Tuesday 22 nd inst: in consequence of Circuit Court being held at Brisbane Monday 21 st inst & following days of the week, thinks it advisable if possible to postpone sale for a fortnight as so many inhabitants are generally summoned as witnesses & jurors there will be but a few left to attend it he fears, & sale will consequently go off heavily [No 56/1]		065 – 066
	56/00460	1856 01 15	His Ex Sir Thomas William Denison, Governor General	Gayndah A D Strelitz "M F" "W D"	1856 01 07 1856 01 16~ 1856 01 17~ 1856 01 17~ 1856 01 21 1856 01 24	At top: "A D Strelitz" Petition of inhabitant of town of Gayndah, Dealer: Had applied to Wide Bay Bench for Hawkers License but refused by sitting Magistrates (Messrs Walsh & Anderson) on ground <u>only</u> of insufficient protection being here – applied to Police Magistrate A E Halloran but he, although not concurring with decision, would not take on himself to put it on one side – has no course left but to apply to Your Excellency confident so paltry a ground will not be considered sufficient reason for withholding License – has held a Store in Wide Bay & is fitting for License applied for – has been at considerable expense providing necessaries for intended mode of occupation, forwards by this Post to Colonial Treasurer required sum for 12 months License & trusts Your Excellency will see justness of Petitioner's prayers & grant License so wrongly withheld & Notes in margin M F Governor General cannot interfere – power of granting Hawkers Licenses is vested in Justices in Petty Sessions Conclude Petitioner be so informed Yes Mr Strelitz	A2.35	067 – 068
	56/00581	1856 01 16	His Ex Sir Thomas William Denison, Governor General	Post Office, Gayndah Robert A Parker "M F" "W D"	1855 12 31 1856 01 16~ 1856 01 17~ 1856 01 17~ 1856 01 21 1856 01 24	At top: "R T Parker" [as it is] Memorial of undersigned inhabitant of town of Gayndah Burnett District, gentleman: has had his Petition in to Gayndah Bench for a month for Hawking License [see also Hawkers License] in Burnett District – appointed License day has passed & in Gayndah no Bench has sat - on advice of A E Halloran Commissioner of Crown Lands & Police Magistrate prays Your Excellency will grant License – has forwarded to Colonial Treasury required sum viz £2 stg for 12 months License being from January to December 1856 – prays His Excellency will grant prayers & Notes in margin M F Governor General cannot comply with request – power of granting Licenses vested in Justices in Petty Sessions 13 Vict No 36 Sec IV Call: p 1990 To be so informed Mr Parker	A2.35	069
	56/00725	1856 01 21	Hon CS	Police Office, Ipswich Charles George Gray Police Magistrate	1856 01 10	At top: "Police Magistrate Ipswich" "No 3" Letter stating 600 copies of Form A annexed to Census Act sufficient for requirements of said Act in this District (ref Para 3 CS Circular no 166 of 28 th ult) [No 56/10] &	A2.35	070 – 071

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				"J C W"	1856 01 15	Notes in margin 56/00725 Forwarded under Blank Cover 500 promised – 100 sent~		
	56/00744			"W E"	1856 02 13	Note Transmitted to Auditor General – Blank Cover Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / NO 206-FE*14	A2.35	072 – 073
	56/00744	1856 01 22	Hon CS	"J S"	1856 02 19 1856 02 21~ 1856 02 22~ 1856 02 27~ 1856 01 15	These accounts now in Warrant & are payable at Treasury – Blank Cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Send Mr Cribb copy of Report made by Agent for Immigration on his letter & inform him Auditor General has stated sums due to him are now payable at Colonial Treasury Mr Cribb At top: "Robert Cribb" Transmitting following Certified Accounts due to him on account of Immigration Department at Brisbane, namely: For Rations & Extra Articles For Month of November £97-10-2 For Month of November 73-0-10 For the month of December 669-1-2 For Medical Comforts For the month of December 68-0-5 £907-12-7 £907-12-7 which amount please pay to his Agents Messrs R Towns & Co or to their order & Notes in margin Immigration Agent – blank cover – to be returned Noted <u>Immigration</u> 56/435 – 24 January 1856		074
				"W E"	1856 01 22 1856 01 23~	Notes in margin Immigration Agent – blank cover – to be returned Noted <u>Immigration</u> 56/435 – 24 January 1856		075
				H H Browne	1856 02 08 1856 02 12~ 1856 02 13~ 1856 02 00~	Notes re above In returning communication from Robert Cribb together with enclosures, draws attention to fact that account for December last, required to have Quarantine expenses separated from those of Depot at Brisbane, & Contractor has furnished fresh accounts in lieu thereof, which have been forwarded to Auditor General – blank cover Colonial Secretary Returned Colonial Secretary's Office W V R Cribb		
	56/00787	1856 01 21	Hon CS	Sydney M C O'Connell Government Resident	1856 01 19	At top: "Government Resident Port Curtis" Letter explaining cause of his delay in Sydney for period exceeding his leave of absence: leave from Port Curtis would have expired 4 th inst but as no vessel since that day available, compelled to await sailing of "Sable Chief" leaving Sydney today – has made arrangements for his passage from Moreton Bay, to which place he proceeds by steamer on Tuesday next, by above-named vessel & trusts extended leave be sanctioned &	A2.35	076 – 077
				"W D"	1856 01 23	Notes in margin Very well		

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					1856 01 31	Government Resident, Gladstone		
	55/10082	1855 09 24	Hon CS	Gladstone M C O'Connell Government Resident	1855 08 31	At top: "Government Resident" Letter re serious charges made in public papers, brought against him during discussion of Legislative Council by Member "a Mr Parkes" & anticipating from malignancy of attack that these charges may be renewed - applying for 2 months leave of absence to proceed to Sydney to answer these charges on the spot [No 112/55] & Notes in margin This leave may be granted - attacks are virulent & character of those who make them not the best	A2.35	078 - 079
				"C D R"	1855 09 24~	Have no objection to grant leave though how that will enable Capt O'Connell to notice attacks made in Legislative Council I don't see - however when he comes he can answer queries mentioned in ...? Minute or these may be sent to him with this to enable him to obtain information required		
				"W D"	1855 09 25	Government Resident [Ref 56/00787]		
						ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE STATE OF THE ABORIGINES p 080 - 165		
	56/00800			"M F"	1856 05 09~	Note <u>Annual Reports on the State of the Aborigines</u> Reports having been received from all Crown Commissioners except Capt O'Connell (Port Curtis), it is perhaps needless to detain them for that one alone any longer - two copies have been made of each as usual & original Reports & each set of copies are tied together separately being arranged from South to North as follows: 1 Maneroo - 2 Murrumbidgee - 3 Lachlan - 4 Lower Darling - 5 Albert - 6 Wellington - 7 Bligh - 8 Liverpool Plains - 9 Gwydir - 10 New England & Macleay - 11 Clarence River - 12 Moreton & Darling Downs - 13 Wide Bay & Burnett - 14 Maranoa - 15 Leichhardt - 16 Port Curtis (wanting)	A2.35	080 - 081
	56/00800	1856 01 25	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 01 22	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" Transmitting Reports on state of Aborigines in various Districts named in margin, being those received up to this date & Notes in margin 55-4918 Murrumbidgee / Bligh / Wide Bay and Burnett / Albert / Maneroo / Lachlan / New England and McLeay [as it is] / Wellington / Clarence River / Liverpool Plains / Moreton and Darling Downs [list part obscured]		082
				"M F"	1856 01 25~ 1856 05 09~	M F All Returns received copied in duplicate & submitted		
	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Crown Lands Office, Maneroo, Panbula [see also Pambula] A W Manning Commissioner of Crown Lands "11 - GB"	1856 01 03	At top: "1/ " "Moneroo Commissioner [as it is] Aboriginal Report for 1855" Annual Report on state of Aborigines in District of Maneroo for 1855 [No 56/5]: contains nothing that has not been expressed in every similar paper during last 4 years - same orderly department & useful industry again noticed interrupted occasionally by feuds & brawls among themselves when under influence of intoxicating drink - these are infrequent, have only to report one case in which death ensued - facilities placed in their way for spending their earnings in public house or sly grog		083 - 084

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	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	"G B" Crown Lands Office, Murrumbidgee District Charles George Norman Lockhart Commissioner of Crown Lands "8 - GB"	1856 01 12- 1856 01 16- 1856 01 01	shop may be fixed upon as primary cause of mischief, at same time next to impossible either to prevent or check sale of spirits to Aborigines For some cause unknown, has been very small gathering during last year - Tribes on Murray have induced many to remain in their country, few wild blacks have appeared in this District from the other side of the Mountains - from demand for blankets, more than probable number of natives belonging to this side does not exceed 400 - gradual diminution is perceptible, though sickness does not appear to have been prevalent - new medical attendant, Dr Bligh reports no cases of consequence Also at top: "56/250 - 11 January 1856" & Notes in margin 56/4 With others - acknowledge For Blue Book - keep with others At top: "2/ " "Commissioner of Crown Lands Murrumbidgee District" Letter recording progressive decay of Aborigines of this District - old members of various tribes die off, no young ones in existence to replace them - on upper parts of rivers Murray, Murrumbidgee & Tumut tribes are de facto extinct - a few young men act as stockmen & a few old people are occasional visitors at townships & stations [No 56/2] Tribes stronger on lower Rivers but are also fast decaying - causes of decay not being yet in such full operation in more remote parts of District. Decay mainly attributed to free use of spirits by natives placed within their reach by their earning small sums of money in cutting bark - sheep washing - shepherding & other similar services - giving of spirits to natives is punishable by fine, does not think that during whole year a single conviction has taken place - natives themselves cannot be used as witnesses & no other evidence procurable. Avarice & greed of white man demands & obtains sacrifice of all that is naturally good in Aborigine - can offer no suggestion nor hold out any hope of better state of things. It is not that natives are in themselves incapable of being trained into some degree of usefulness but vices of white man are too powerful for their facile natures - they are now irrecoverably degraded & decay pointed out must proceed at accelerated speed. Small Corps of Native Police in District who behave themselves pretty well but they cannot be trusted within reach of liquor - as policemen their services cannot be considered as equivalent to their cost but as an outlay for benefit of Aborigines the expenditure may be considered justifiable. Forwarding Annual Report is always a painful duty, more so "as I have no hope that there will ever be any alteration in the tone of future ones" Also at top: "56/115 - 8 January 1856" & Notes in margin Letter calling for these reports required Herewith - with all reports received Let me have all reports on this subject as soon as received Keep with others		085 - 088
	56/00800			"G B" Crown Commissioners Office, Binalong	1856 01 09- 1856 01 09- 1856 01 16- 1856 01 02	At top: "3/ " "56/256" Annual Reports upon State of the Aborigines inhabiting the Lachlan District		089 - 092

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	56/00800			Edgar Beckham, Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 11 12	<p>1st During 1855 has taken every opportunity of making known to Aborigines that tracts of land set apart for their especial use, does not think there is any prospect of natives availing themselves of these Reserves until such time as further inducement is held out to them to do so – suggests Government Establishment be formed upon Reserves under superintendence of Resident Protector or Overseer, thinks would induce natives to locate upon those lands & bring them into state of civilization</p> <p>2nd Reserves appointed by Government for especial use of Aborigines in this District remain in same state as when first marked out</p> <p>3rd 3 Distinct Tribes of Natives inhabiting this District, that occupying North Bank of Murrumbidgee River is much the largest, numbers from 100 to 140 men, women & children – second inhabits South Bank of Lachlan River, numbers 80 to 90 including all ages – third located on Burrowa River [also spelt Boorowa] about 60 souls – these tribes lead desultory life, never remaining more than a few days in one locality, seldom mix with each other except when at war or for holding a Jubilee. During Winter months Aborigines generally resort about Establishments of Europeans & in Spring, they visit Lagoons & back waters in interior of District fishing, procuring water fowl & eggs</p> <p>4th Aborigines inhabiting this District are quiet & well conducted race, evincing a good feeling towards Europeans – have little inclination for manual labour, but has known them to be of much service to settlers at sheep washing & during harvest – payment for their labour usually made in Rations & clothes, has invariably found they would work more willingly for money than anything else</p> <p>5th There are some few Aborigines employed as stockmen for which service they are well adapted, are fond of riding & remarkably quick in distinguishing stock belonging to their Master from those of other parties; has also occasionally seen natives engaged shepherding, do not generally like that employment</p> <p>6th Aborigines of this District are fast decreasing - may be in great measure attributed to diseases which have been engendered amongst them by their intercourse with European population</p> <p>7th Government has not issued any food to Aborigines in District during last 12 months but blankets distributed which is a great boon</p> <p>8th During past year, no Government Medical Officer for this District</p> <p>At top: "5/ " "55/5471 – 22 December 1855" <u>Commissioner Perry's Report on State of Aborigines inhabiting Albert District for 1855</u> Forwarding 3rd Annual Report on State of Aborigines inhabiting Albert District for information of Secretary of State: appends Medical Report from Dr McKinlay of this District – will serve to develop principal infirmities to which aborigines are subject – will bear out his former remarks re decrease in race year after year, in consequence of deaths so far exceeding births – of same opinion as Dr McKinlay viz "that the race will become extinct at no very remote period" – difficult to account for decrease & degeneration of race generally, is invariably the case throughout Colony – as country becomes settled & occupied by Europeans, numbers perceptibly diminish & few children are born to supply their places – with respect to able Aborigines of Lower portion of District, has much pleasure in stating as in former reports, continued usefulness of Aborigines to Squatters in</p>		093 - 098

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				Yamba, N S W E M McKinlay, L Q M P	1855 11 16- 1855 10 00-	<p>shepherding, sheep-washing & shearing for which service they are liberally remunerated in provisions, clothing etc – during his recent journey through Lower Part of District visited Mr Scott's woolshed at "Purra" [as it is – Para?] on bank of Darling River (about 30 miles from junction with Murray River) – much gratified to find 12 Aborigines engaged in operation of sheep shearing, which operation they were performing most satisfactorily & creditably – others were actively employed in wool-pressing & carrying on operations of shed without assistance of any one unless supervision of Proprietor – was informed they were shearing from 40 to 60 sheep per diem on average, apparently took very great interest in their employment At Tapio, Station of Dr Fletcher JP, shepherding, sheep-washing & shearing is also principally effected by Aborigines & with equal satisfaction to Proprietor – higher up River again they were also useful but not to same extent – in vicinity of "Menindee" and "Weinteriga" (about 180 miles from junction of Darling & Murray Rivers) regrets settlers have experienced considerable annoyance from Aborigines by sheep stealing & spearing cattle – happy to state these annoyances infrequent since Police established in District – expert method they used to adopt defied vigilance of most active squatter in detecting their depredations – means they resort to display vast amount of cunning on their part – proceeds, from information received upon subject, to explain: [details Aborigines method of stealing /slaughtering cattle & avoiding capture including use of scouts & signals] – very common practice but complaints now infrequent - of opinion when District becomes more extensively occupied depredations will end & Aborigines of Upper Darling will turn attention to assistance of squatters in same praiseworthy manner as they are doing on Lower part of River &</p> <p>Note in margin – Keep with others</p> <p><u>Medical Report</u> Principal diseases to which Aborigines of this part of Murray are subject are Inflammatory affections of Eye (majority of a chronic nature), Inflammation of Lungs & Pleurae, & chronic Inflammation of Liver, during summer months; & Rheumatism, Itch & other cutaneous diseases during winter, particularly in May & June. Syphilitic complaints prevalent but not so much so as formerly. During last summer many Aborigines had attack of Measles which proved fatal in a few cases. Deep seated abscesses have occurred during last season, one of a very extensive & dangerous character but patient (an interesting girl of 10) recovered During extreme heat of last summer, nothing more common than to see Aborigines (principally aged) sitting for hours, up to the chin in River, consequence of which was very many were seized with acute inflammatory affections of Chest (frequently terminating fatally) & Rheumatism of larger muscles – various diseases to which they are subject are sufficiently tractable, but their habits & superstitious observances are subversive of every rational attempt to effect a cure – good many of more civilized & intelligent submit to medical treatment very readily, has many applications now for medicine & advice but their erratic habits, gross violation of natural laws, general filthiness, of improper diet whilst under medical treatment are obstacles not readily overcome – infanticide is common & procreative powers of Aborigines are year after year becoming more languid; so much so deaths far exceed births - is every reason to believe the race will</p>		099 – 101

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	56/00800			Crown Lands Office, Molong, Wellington H Whitty Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 01 02	become extinct at no very remote period . Physically they are very rapidly degenerating, notwithstanding rigid code adopted by them, to prevent sexual intercourse between near relatives, & facilities they have of acquiring abundance of comforts of life, including clothing suited to any inclemency of seasons - "causa latet, vis est notissima" At top: "6/ " "56/286" "12 - GB" <u>Annual Report on the Aborigines in the District of Wellington - 2nd January 1856</u> Having arrived so late in year as 13 th October last to undertake duties of District, reports on State of Aborigines therein as fully as possible, has much satisfaction in stating no report made to him of any aggression by them on white inhabitants of District or their stock, nor does he discover any record of injury has been done by them at Stations during last year 2 They are employed by Europeans at most Stations in various ways, as stockmen, shepherding or in fetching wood & water - are clothed & well treated, in one case sheep on large Station well shepherded by them 3 Has been informed they do not frequent Reserves more than any other locality, indeed from his former experience in "Maranoa" District where Aborigines are very numerous, he arrived at conclusion that they much dislike idea of being confined to any given spot 4 As far as he can judge here, as elsewhere their numbers fast decreasing, they are very unwilling to afford information when questioned on subject, regrets to add he believes principal cause of mortality amongst them arises from use of ardent spirits which they are very partial to & obtain whenever it is to be had - has made every exertion to prevent spirits being sold or given to them & cautioned both holders of Publican's Licences, as well as inhabitants, from supplying them with any, yet they continue to obtain them 5 Trusts at end of present year to be able to give a more detailed account of State of the Aborigines after visiting principal Rivers & Creeks as also Reserves laid out for them in District & Note in margin - For Blue Book		102 - 104
				"G B" Crown Lands Office, Molong, Wellington H Whitty Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 01 01	<u>Annual Report on Reserves set apart for the use of the Aborigines in the District of Wellington - 1st January 1856</u> [Reserves / Where situated / Extent / Remarks] Mendadgery [as it is - Mandagery?] / at junction of Mendagery Creek with Lachlan River / 640 acres / No Establishment formed Native Fishery / Barwon River / 640 acres/ No Establishment formed Mudall / Bogan River / 640 acres/ No Establishment formed		105 - 106
	56/00800			J A Robertson Commissioner of Crown Lands	[no date]	At top: "7/ " "56/89" <u>Annual Report on the Aborigines of District of Bligh by John Anderson Robertson Commissioner of Crown Lands for that District</u> Reporting Native Blacks of District, although diminishing in numbers, are conducting themselves quietly & peaceably in more remote parts, & in well settled portions they render most useful service to Squatters 2 Satisfactory to observe benevolent steps taken by active & intelligent missionary, Mr Ridley, for instruction & conversion of Aborigines; this gentleman has not only learned their languages & personally mixed with various tribes, but has instructed them in Christian religion, & left among		107 - 108

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	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Crown Lands Office, Liverpool Plains Henry Chester Master Commissioner of Crown Lands "16 – GB"	1856 01 09	<p>them printed books in their own tongues to convert & enlighten them Submits encouragement ought to be afforded by Government to these exertions & would suggest Missionary Establishment which once existed at Wellington be re-established on Barwon River, or some other part of Colony – 50 miles at least from any Public House 3 Would be premature to propose plans for carrying out such a measure till pleasure of Secretary of State is known, only mentions matter from a conviction that it would materially advance civilization of Aborigines</p> <p>At top: "8/ " "Crown Commissioner of Liverpool Plains" Transmitting Annual Report of State of Aborigines in District for 1855: delayed in hope of obtaining additional information from distant localities on Lower Namoi & Barwan [also spelt Barwon] - as recent floods have been cause of stopping communication still unable to make report as complete as desired [No 56/1] In consequence of increased roving dispositions of various tribes of Blacks in this large District, difficult to come to any conclusion re exact numbers – encloses Return showing decrease in numbers as compared to last year – most Stations in District employ 1 or 2 Aborigines as stockmen or shepherds, who, if belonging to distant tribe, remain faithful to their masters, but if otherwise they soon leave their employ – regrets to say those that frequent Tamworth (from facility they have of procuring ardent spirits) are constantly drunk – nor can he with all precautions he has adopted, prevent constant recurrence of this Evil, which is fast decimating Blacks in Colony – 2 blacks were killed some time since at "Broadwater" and "Nurrabry" [as it is – Narrabry? Narrabri?] – several aborigines resided at "Hanging Rock" but as murder took place there, supposed to have been committed by them, they immediately left for New England & elsewhere Also at top: "56/441 – 16 January 1856" & Note in margin – For Blue Book</p>		109 – 111, 113
	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	"G B" Henry Chester Master Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 01 03	<p>At top: "56/441" [Pinned to & obscuring top half of p 112] [TABLE] <u>[No of Tribes / No in each Tribe / Reserves / Clothing & Food Issued at each Reserve]</u> Peel River / about 65 / - / Nil Tamworth / about 12 / Tamworth / Nil Barbarian / about 18 / - / Nil Burburgate & Carroll / About 74 / - / Nil Wee Waa / About 169 / Broadwater / Nil Barwan / About 180 / - / Nil Total 518</p>		112
	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Crown Lands Office, Armidale G D Skardon, Acting Commissioner of Crown Lands "12 – GB"	1856 01 03	<p>At top: "New England & McLeay District Commissioner - Aboriginal Report 1855" Acknowledging his letter 20 November 1855 No 55/4918 calling for report of Aborigines in District: informs blacks of more settled parts gradually settling down into more industrial habits of white man [No 56/5] 2 In numerous instances Aboriginal women as well as men are employed to tend flocks of the squatters - in some instances, black man is employed as bullock driver & horse breaker, in both capacities they appear to acquit</p>		114 – 118

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						<p>themselves with credit – others, though more rarely, are put in harvest field where they reap from 1½ -2 acres per week, small portion of work compared with what white farming man can accomplish yet shows germ of industry within Australian Aboriginal [as it is], only requires careful management to be brought into more active operation</p> <p>3 In making this Report upon Aborigines, duty to remark with respect to Aboriginal Reserves of land throughout District, although land is nominally set aside for use or benefit of the native, yet in consequence of their being merely used as sheep or cattle runs for adjoining stock, Reserves themselves will remain for great number of years in wild bush state</p> <p>4 Suggests in order to improve Reserves & further interests of original proprietors of this land, that these Reserves be let into small farms of from 100-150 acres each, for term not exceeding 10 years, at a nominal rent with security to be given to tenants to fence, cultivate & build upon them</p> <p>5 By these means, in course of a few years, blacks or such of them as shall have adopted settled habits of white brethren, will have homes to go to & will by degrees, be led to <u>feel</u> they have interest in soil they cultivate</p> <p>6 In furtherance of this object, suggests appointment & maintenance of Aboriginal Schools for black children of both sexes be made with little delay – believes this would more effectively restrain wild rambling habits & tend to civilize them, more than almost any other system</p> <p>7 In conclusion, has been less sickness than usual amongst Aborigines of District for last half year – at same time adds supply of blankets for natives of District inadequate to meet demands</p> <p>Also at top: "10/ " "56/283 – 12 January 1856"</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin For Blue Book Acknowledge receipt En "C D M"?</p>		
	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	Crown Lands Office, Clarence River Oliver Fry "14 – G B"	1856 01 12~ 1856 01 16~ 1856 01 10	<p>At top: "11/ " "Commissioner of Crown Lands Clarence River"</p> <p>Transmitting Annual Report on State of Aborigines for year just terminated: during this period nothing has occurred in connection with them calling for particular remark – throughout District generally they have been exceedingly tranquil, indeed much more so than he has ever before known them [No 2/56]</p> <p>Para 2: Glad to state epidemic which raged among them with such prevalence & fatality during 1854 has entirely disappeared</p> <p>Para 3: Has not observed that they evince any stronger disposition to employ themselves on Stations – with few exceptions they still retain former habits & subsist as before arrival of Europeans</p> <p>Para 4: According to the several Returns sent in by Medical Attendant, he has treated during past year 152 cases – sorry to perceive that venereal prevails to a very distressing extent</p> <p>Also at top: "56/304 – 14 January 1856"</p> <p>&</p> <p>Note in margin – For Blue Book</p>		119 – 120
	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Crown Lands Office, Woogaroo S Simpson,	1855 12 31	<p>At top: "12/ " "56/307 – 14 January 1856"</p> <p>Report on the State of the Aborigines of the Moreton & Darling Downs</p>		121

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	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	Commissioner for Crown Lands "Jan ^y 14/56" Commissioners Office, Tinana Arthur E Halloran, Commissioner for Crown Lands	1855 12 28	<p><u>Districts for year ending 31 December 1856</u> Letter reporting with satisfaction continued peaceable conduct of Aborigines of Moreton & Darling Downs Districts during year just closed – since formation of Wide Bay, Burnett & Maranoa Districts, collisions between squatters & Aborigines of older District have almost entirely ceased or become so insignificant as rarely to come to his knowledge – not a single complaint in past year [No 63/55] Para 2: Regarding their social, moral & religious condition repeats his former opinion that improvement almost hopeless – their aptitude to learn is displayed only in acquirement of our vices – result here as elsewhere will not doubt be gradual annihilation of the race – gradual diminution of numbers easily perceived by anyone residing some years amongst them & Note in margin – For Blue Book</p> <p>At top: "13/ " "District of Wide Bay and Burnett" Annual Report on the State of the Aborigines in the District of Wide Bay & <u>Burnett for the year 1855</u> "Jany 2/56" Letter reporting with much concern on state of Aborigines for 1855 – instead of remarking upon improvement during year, reverse is the case & advancement of Maryborough is very considerably retarded in consequence of constant attacks on both lives & property of white inhabitants by Aborigines [No 55/132] 2 Blacks in interior quiet & continue to make themselves useful on some Stations as shepherds – they are well fed & kindly treated but this has not kept them from crime so much as Native Police nearby – near Maryborough however, Aborigines are numerous & aggressions now more frequent & daring than ever – from constant intercourse with whites, have become acquainted with firearms & fear of inhabitants is fast wearing away – where it is considered that blacks are fully 15 to 1 regards white population, not surprising they are beginning to feel their strength 3 Many attempts made to induce Aborigines to work in gardens & join in other industrial pursuits, but their services can never be depended on – naturally very indolent with habits so migratory they will not settle to any continuous employment 4 For last 3 months hardly a day passed without a house or dray being robbed, in addition to which attacks have been made upon lives of many sawyers by blacks who are stealthy in their movements, & adept in committing robberies – almost impossible to detect them in acts of delinquency – shows how little blacks here can be depended upon: unfortunate men named in margin whose murders he reported having taken place near his own residence on 5th inst were murdered by 3 blacks in employ of deceased by whom they were fed & kindly treated Margin: George Furber, Joseph Wilmshurst After murdering these men they battered face of Wilmshurst with iron wedge & split head of Furber with broad axe 5 These murders have had very injurious effect on this place & materially interfere with its advancement: buildings in course of erection stand still from want of timber, sawyers refuse to work in Scrubs considering their lives in danger - on 15th inst about 30 persons, sawyers & others left for Sydney by steamer, feeling insecurity of both life & property from daring lately exhibited by Blacks – this may be attributed in great measure to want</p>		122 – 128

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						<p>of protection of Native Police & as there is feeling generally through the country on part of blacks (as intimated to him by Lieutenant Marshall of Native Police) that Force is to be entirely broken up Anticipates still further aggressions of equally serious character with those so recently perpetrated unless portion of Native Police are immediately & permanently stationed in Maryborough – annexed letter from Acting Commandant Marshall to whom he wrote for assistance on murder of Furber & Wilmshurst [as it is – Wilmhurst?], will show how completely unprotected this part of District is, Traylan being about 130 miles from Maryborough 6 Feels convinced that considerable period must elapse before Aborigines can be quieted & induced to adopt industrial habits & pursuits - no exertions shall be wanting on his part in furthering so desirable an object 7 Annexed is List of all depredations & outrages committed by Aborigines during last 2 months that have been reported to him Also at top: “56/2 – 2 January 1856~” & Note in margin – For Blue Book</p> <p>[LIST] <i>[part obscured at top]</i> 1855~ November~ 7 Mrs White’s house robbed of quantity of flour 9 Mr Palmer’s Stores robbed of tobacco 12 Cahills dray robbed of 200 lbs flour 13 Hughes’ dray robbed 200 lbs flour & quantity of rations 18 Mr Melville’s house robbed of 60lbs sugar & 45lbs flour 19 James Greeten’s house robbed of tea, sugar & flour; Thomas McCruddin robbed of 100 lbs sugar & 48 lbs flour 22 J Church robbed of wearing apparel & rations; Mrs Gadd – laundress – robbed of quantity of linen, clothes etc 25 Mr Reid’s dray robbed of 70 lbs flour 26 Two of Mr Reid’s walking bullocks speared 27 J Dowdle speared by blacks; Denny & McCarty beaten & ill used by Blacks & robbed of blankets, clothing & 145 lbs flour, 45 lbs beef, 50 lbs sugar, 2 lbs tea & quantity of cooking utensils 28 James Western robbed of 4 sovereigns & beaten December 2 Walsh’s dray robbed 5 George Furber & Joseph Wilmshurst murdered & large quantity of rations, blankets, clothing & tomahawks stolen 6 Michael Joyce nearly murdered being left for dead & his hut robbed of rations, clothing etc 7 Dowzer & Palin’s Store [as it is – see also Dowzer & Palmer, Dowzer & Purser; Dowzer also spelt Douzer, Dowser] broken into & robbed 8 Mr Uhr’s house & garden robbed 9 Commissioner of Crown Lands garden robbed 10 Herberts dray robbed of 800 lbs of sugar & 600 of flour 11 Martins house entered 17 Mr Landrigan’s house entered & robbed at night 18 J Atkins, Carrier – dray robbed of quantity of sugar & flour 19 J Leitch [could be Stitch] house entered & robbed during night</p>		129

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			A E Halloran, Police Magistrate, Maryborough	Traylan R P Marshall, Native Police	1855 12 11	20 Mrs Bennett assaulted & head cut with tomahawk 21 Mrs Uhr's Store attempted to be broken into 22 Powers Store entered & robbed Acknowledging receipt of his letter of 5 th inst: sorry to state no Officer there, only 4 available troopers in barracks, others being on patrol on head of Burnett under command of native corporal [No 55/235] 2 No use applying to Yabber Station [also spelt Yabba] - believes Mr Bligh has been sent to the Clarence by Inspector General, thus leaving Wide Bay & Burnett District without either officer or sergeant 3 Will immediately, on arrival of an officer here or at Yabber, instruct that a party of Police be sent to Maryborough without delay		130 – 131
					1856 03 23	Notes re above Are there any Returns, Reports or Papers for Secretary of State which have not yet been furnished? Urgent		132
				"M F"	1856 03 25~ 1856 03 27~ 1856 03 31~	Some of the Aboriginal Reports have not yet been sent in Remind Colonel Barney		
	56/01098	1856 02 04	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 01 31	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" Letter in reply to CS letter 18 th inst: refers him to his <u>communication of 22nd inst</u> [Margin: 56/00800] forwarding all Reports on State of Aborigines received to that date, in compliance with directions contained in CS letter No 466 of 9 th November last, calling for these Reports by 2 nd or 3 rd week in January [No 56/44] Para 2: Transmits 2 reports since received on State of Aborigines in Leichhardt & Guyder Districts [as it is – see also Gwydir] Also at top: "56-588" & Notes in margin 56/800 - With Mr F M F Copies for Secretary of State – copied in duplicate and submitted See 56/00800	A2.35	133
	56/01098		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Crown Lands Office, Sydney	Rannes, Leichhardt W H Wiseman, Commissioner of Crown Lands "29 – GB"	1856 01 05	At top: "16/ " "Leichhardt Commissioner – Aboriginal Report for 1855" Forwarding Report on State of Aborigines in Leichhardt District during 1855 for transmitting to Secretary of State (Ref Circular 20 th November 1855) [No 5/56] Notwithstanding residence of nearly a year in District employed in travelling over a great part thereof, has little satisfactory to say concerning any improvement or progress to a more civilized state amongst Aborigines or in more accordance to their status as subjects of the Queen, with exception of 3 Stations Cockatoo, Bungaban & Juandah, no Stations admit the natives At these, natives belong chiefly to tribes on longer settled Districts of Auburn, Burnett & Condamine – when such are admitted they, frequently profiting by knowledge gained of ways of whites, assist in directing marauders or in giving them refuge when pursued – tribes inhabiting [p 135] left Bank of the Dawson, the Comet, Palm Tree & Ruined Castle Creek & most northern watershed of Balonne & Maranoa, are still in completely savage state & in hostility to whites. On his recent journey along		134 – 141

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						<p>the Dawson & its tributaries his camp was occasionally visited & watched by natives crawling about secretly in middle of night, as was apparent from peculiar whistle by which they communicate with each other in dark – tribes around Rannes & on the McKenzie and FitzRoy are even worse than these – they cannot understand a word even of broken language usually current amongst frontier tribes – these were the men who massacred Native Police in night at Rannes with whom they had been fraternizing for 2 or 3 weeks while they had been received most amicably by whites & had been suffered with a too fatal confidence to camp within 30 yards of Mr Hay's cottage – some of these have been probably engaged in frightful slaughter which occurred [p 136] on 27th December last, fatal season of rejoicing to them, at Mr Young's Station about 70 miles direct from here between Mt Larcomb [as it is – also spelt Larcom] & Dividing Range, when 3 white men, 1 woman & 2 civilized aborigines were murdered – more induced to think so as when he was encamped on head of Gogango waters [as it is – Gogango?] (which is route some would take on their way back to the McKenzie in endeavouring to escape Police) on 29th December he saw 2 or 3 smokes of natives very near him but not being then aware of commission of their murder he did not go to examine their camps.</p> <p>Repeated success attending their outrages on whites occurring throughout Leichhardt & neighbourhood without being followed with adequate punishment so emboldens them that more loss of life will probably ensue, destruction of property & what is far worse, to material prosperity of this fine District, loss in condition of stock the natural sequence of impossibility of the squatter ever being able to persuade his shepherds to do justice [p 137] to their flocks so long as these shepherds are constantly in dread of attack from treacherous natives – panic now amongst whites greater than ever & will probably be insurmountable when news of late murder becomes known – such state of hostility is undoubtedly the natural consequence of occupation of the soil by white race. Without trying to disparage character of the savage whose conduct under the circumstances is quite natural, may be allowed to observe that such behaviour is not in accordance with habits of civilized life & is totally inconsistent with policy of the white race – however painful reflection to the philanthropic & Christian spirit which directs all the actions of our government, fact must be observed that Destiny proclaims the certainty of future triumph of white race & of the final extirpation of the Aborigines</p> <p>[p 138] As however prosperity of this large District & welfare of white race is main object in view, question naturally arises as to whether means might not be adopted in the following out of this Destiny to prevent so much loss of life amongst whites – conciliation so laudably enjoined & so agreeably adopted by humane spirit of the age is when put in practice with savages decidedly an erroneous principle of action - savage cannot understand benevolence & humanity inculcated by Christian religion – intimidation is the only principle of dealing with them – submission to authority is surely first step in civilized life, then kindness & conciliation – Roman principle of the "Parcere subjectis oed debellare superbos" is equally applicable (however despicable they may appear to European minds) to these savages – they respect the man who rifle in hand demands "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth", they despise the man whose humanity offers them presents & gives them blankets – such conduct they attribute to fear, not to Justice or benevolence. Strict retaliation in killing any member of the tribes,</p>		

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						<p>when actual murderer cannot be secured is principle in force amongst the savages themselves [p 139] Nor can they understand scruples of white man in not exacting it, but they readily enough turn such scruples to their own advantage for after committing any atrocity, all the aiders & abettors, all perhaps except those who actually struck the blow, proceed to some friendly Head Station where they know Police will not touch them – truly these savages are wiser than civilized man – at first they seek peace only with intention of gaining time to concoct some scheme for destruction of the white man – they wave the branch or the wisp of grass in token of amity but to deceive. They encamp near white man, engage his confidence by most accommodating behaviour, receive food & clothes from him & are apparently on most friendly terms, when some fatal night they rise & murder as many as they can. Notwithstanding his entertaining such sentiments concerning character of Australian Savage, shall endeavour to pay most obedience to formal injunctions he has received to proceed in all intercourse with wild [p 140] Aborigines in humane & conciliatory spirit, even though it may casually place his life & that of others in jeopardy – considers it his duty in report of this description nor can he refrain at present moment, urged as he is by his feelings of horror & detestation as a civilized man at wholesale & treacherous murder just committed by these savages on some of his fellow countrymen, from stating firmly yet with greatest respect his solemn conviction that present system of conduct towards Aborigines on frontiers is an erroneous one & that sacrifice of many valuable lives, loss of much property & retardation of material prosperity of this large District to manifest loss of Government & Public must be consequence of continuing this mistaken conciliatory principle – would also suggest it is the interest if not the duty of supreme power, wherever such power resides, either to afford sufficient protection to those who come to purchase or lease lands in these frontier Districts & to keep suppression [p 141] of rapine & murder in its own hands instead of allowing it to be clandestinely assumed by individuals whose interest must compel them to adopt such measures, & who may & will in many instances abuse the power thus acquired or at once to withdraw all protection & to proclaim Squatters & Storekeepers must rely on their own resources for protection of themselves, their servants & their property Also at top: “56/727 – 29 January 1856” & Notes in margin For Blue Book – “G-B” Secretary of State</p>		
			Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Crown Lands Office, Sydney	Rannes, Leichhardt W H Wiseman, Commissioner of Crown Lands “29 – G B”	1856 01 29~ 1856 01 05	<p>At top: “Leichhardt Commissioner – Second Aboriginal Report for 1855” Letter transmitting Report on State of the Aborigines in Leichhardt District during 1855 for transmission to Secretary of State (ref Circular dated 20 November 1855) [No 5/56] Aborigines are still in perfect State of savage barbarism – they have made no advance during last year in civilization, morality or religion – they still continue to plunder & murder white race whenever they have an opportunity – only 3 Head Stations where occasionally a few are seen & of these, most from adjoining longer settled District of Burnett & Condamine Also at top: “56/729? [could be 56/727] – 29 January 1856”</p>		142 – 143

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	56/01098		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	Crown Lands Office, Guydir [as it is – see also Guyder, Gwydir] Richard Bligh, Commissioner “22 – G B”	1856 01 12	At top: “9” “Crown Commissioner Guydir” Letter reporting on condition of Aborigines of District of Guydir during year just elapsed: has to record no material alteration in state of matters brought before you by his last Report [No 56/5] 2 Same friendly relations between natives & settlers continue in perhaps a somewhat more intimate form as still continuing scarcity of labour renders the employer more considerate & native servant more assured of reward of his exertions & therefore less indolent 3 In number, Aborigines not increasing & though (having no <u>positive proof</u> of decrease) he retains on his Returns herewith enclosed same numbers as shown last year – conceives that estimate given rather exceeds the truth [Margin: No 1 Return of Aboriginal Natives – No 2 Return of Reserves for use of Aborigines] 4 Spiritual condition of Natives decidedly unaltered in any respect for the better, though renewed effort for their improvement in this direction has been recently made by Revd William Ridley (referred to in a former Report) with as much success as might be expected from very transient nature of his Mission – on the other hand introduction of public houses & use of intoxicating drinks has been attended with marked injury to those Natives within reach of influence of these causes 5 Natives still suffer much from disease & from want of medical attendance, latter want admitting at present of no remedy as no medical man reaches nearer than “Tamworth” distance 130 miles 6 Has to express his regret that in consequence of his absence from his Head Quarters this Report delayed for some days beyond the usual time Also at top: “56/588 – 22 January 1856” & Note in margin: Aborigines only – For Blue Book		144 – 147
				Crown Lands Office, Gwydir Richard Bligh, Commissioner	1856 01 12	No 1 “56/588” <u>Return of Aboriginal Natives in District of Gwydir showing Estimated Number of Individuals in each Tribe according to best information now procurable</u> [Name of Tribe / Number of Individuals / Locality frequented/ Remarks] Molroy / 33 / Reedy Creek, Musquito Creek [also spelt Mosquito] & Northern Side of Gwydir River / no remarks Guienbull – Ginnibull / 25 / Myall Creek & Gwydir River in its neighbourhood / no remarks Wourajeri [Wiradjuri?] / 20 / Bundarra & Upper part of Gwydir / no remarks Peichanboul / 100 / Macintyre River [also spelt McIntyre] / no remarks Camileroy [Kamilaroi?] / 115 / Lower Gwydir River, Eastern Bank of Barwan [Barwon?] & tributary creeks / no remarks Mooni & Weea Blacks / 60 / Scrubs between the Barwan & Mooni / no remarks Balonne and Warrego Natives / *250 / Parts of Balonne & Warrego & Narran within Gwydir District / *This number is probably within the truth but in present state of information, does not feel justified in giving higher estimate TOTAL: 628 Also at top:		148

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				Crown Lands Office, Gwydir Richard Bligh, Commissioner	1856 01 12	No 2 "56/588" <u>Return of Aboriginal Reserves in District of Gwydir showing actual use made of Lands, Resort thereto by Natives and Food & Clothing distributed in each case</u> <u>No / Name of Reserve</u> 1/ Gooar 2/ Boobera Lagoon 3/ Turemboul 4/ Tarilari <u>Actual use made of the land – Nos 1-4</u> No actual use has yet been made of any of these Reserves an area of 640 acres has been authorised as the extent in each case <u>Resort by Natives – Nos 1-4</u> In the absence of special inducement there is of course no special Resort by the Natives to any of these Reserves at present <u>Food etc distributed – Nos 1-4</u> Nil <u>Remarks – Nos 1-4</u> Supply of blankets was distributed among Natives at commencement of last winter & similar distribution will be made upon next approach of cold weather – this distribution was made not at Reserves but at Crown Lands Office Gwydir & at one or two other points to which blankets were forwarded to care of Magistrates & others		149
	56/01781	1856 02 23	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 02 18	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" "56-1225" Transmitting Reports on State of Aborigines in Districts - Margin: Maranoa, Lower Darling* (ref CS letter No 466 of 9 th November last) [No 56/67] *being all he has received since transmission of those forwarded in his letter of 31 st January Para 2: Remaining Returns will be forwarded when received M F Copied & submitted - See 56/00800	A2.35	150
	56/01781		Colonel Barney, Surveyor General	Crown Lands Office, Euston, Lower Darling Stephen Cole, Commissioner of Crown Lands "Feb 15 – G B"	1856 02 25~ 1856 05 09~ 1856 01 29	At top: "Commissioner Cole" Acknowledging receipt of his letter of 20 th November last requesting Annual Return for 1855 on State of Aborigines in District of Lower Darling 2 During past year health of Tribes improved; mortality towards close of 1854 arising from measles in great measure subsided - many deaths have since occurred from bronchitis & other maladies common to Aborigines, as well as from practice of witchcraft exercised by Coradji or Native Doctor, or others possessing large degree of savage cunning 3 Natives to eastward of Euston on Lachlan & Morumbidgee Rivers [as it is – see also Murrumbidgee] suffered most severely & so far as he has been able to ascertain, disease appears to have originated in Bathurst, & came to west by course of Lachlan to Lower Morumbidgee, from which centre it spread over numerous waterways which are tributary to the main Murray – deaths amongst Yakko Yakko people along Darling even beyond Menindy [also spelt Menindee] or Laidley's Ponds were very numerous in 1854-5 4 Health of Tribes it may be presumed has further suffered from long drought of 1854 & past year, owing not only to want of vegetable food of which they obtain in favourable seasons a very great variety, but also to change of food, inasmuch as operations of all Nature were suspended in		151 – 158

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						<p>1854 & wanderers of Western wilderness were largely deprived of eggs, of most delicate shellfish, & of large quantities of numerous kinds of wildfowl that frequent this land of lagoons now dry for 2 years last past</p> <p>5 In instances of native superstitions & witchcraft, notes latest that have come under his notice although they are too numerous in his daily intercourse with these people – some days ago was asked to visit camp of native well known to him, whom he found sick & very weak – joked with him & told him by no means to continue in his recumbent position but to endeavour to walk about - whole camp seemed much surprised that he did not consider him so sick as had been represented by their messenger, & simultaneously & very seriously pointed to vessel of blood, found in bush by Native Doctor & placed at head of his patient as they made him understand to bring about an immediate cure or death - but its mysterious connection with sickness of the man he was unable to elicit – he wished it to be thrown into the River, but camp expressed displeasure & disapprobation of such proceeding & he did not press it. With some attention & aid of a little simple medicine, & a supply of proper food, he is able to state Mr Moggy is once more in excellent health</p> <p>6 Again, Toby an old attache of his, lately made request that Native Police be sent to arrest man of neighbouring Tribe, the Lachi Lachi, in consequence of his approaching end – he informed him that he would pine away & die, which had been foreshadowed & ensured by his mystic name having been carried into a foreign country, to Lake Hindmarsh in Victoria & there burnt with fire from which locality his enemy had just returned. He accurately described that his name had been burnt with charms & shells – that It had been consigned to flames with wing of an eagle hawk, [also spelt eaglehawk] wood of quondong (fusanoi acuminatus – also spelt fusanus acuminatus), wood of pudgee, a casuarina, & bloods of bandicoot, wallaby & opossum, together with their furs</p> <p>7 Annual or more extended coroboree [as it is – see also corroboree] distinguished from ordinary observance of this kind, which always takes place at periodical full moon has just been celebrated with more than usual native pomp & ceremony – whole construction of this coroboree is strictly Chinese, & though conducted as hitherto under guidance of Elders of Tribes is purely an invention of some ingenious Chinaman in Northern Districts, even carved sticks bound with brass? designated by native people "chow-chow waddies" which have been handed on from tribe to tribe from farthest north – they point of course as accurately as compass to that direction but beyond it, is a myth. On this present festival, usual spirited dances have been altogether omitted & certain slow movements adopted, not dissimilar to mummeries of Chinese bouzes [bowzes?] before their carved images</p> <p>8 Travelling on Darling River October & November last, witnessed shearing of sheep entirely performed by Aboriginal people at 2 different Stations on that River, being 11,000 & 15,000 sheep respectively at each Station – sheep were as well shorn as if done by European labour- may be received as illustrative of their aptitude for employment in all pastoral occupations - with exception of 2 or 3 young men who had only taken to shearing in past season, this native band of shearers had shorn sheep on Darling River since Spring 1853, when a white labourer was not to be seen in that locality</p> <p>9 Refers to performances of Aborigines as Police in frontier Districts – if he is on duty with them he prefers them infinitely to Europeans & to 2 of them</p>		

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	56/01781		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	<p>"O M"</p> <p>Crown Lands Office, Surat Henry Boyle, Commissioner of Crown Lands "Feb 12 – G B"</p>	<p>1856 02 16-</p> <p>1856 01 01</p>	<p>attached to this Establishment, "one I much regret lately deceased [Margin: Eurocca] & my tracker Toby", he can fearlessly assert that repetition of Eureka Hotel affair in Victoria was prevented. Of a dozen miscreants from Bendigo Gold Fields travelling to the Murray in September 1854, they captured 2 who at midnight threatened to burn down Loddon Inn, in consequence of landlord refusing to supply them with luxuries when they had not the means to pay for the necessaries of life with which they had been gratuitously supplied – these 2 men with their Sergeant were at Station of Messrs Ebden and Keene, Reedy Lake, about 30 miles south of Swan Hill, "whither I had gone to recruit for Patrol along Murray in this District", & 10 miles further up the Loddon is Farmers Inn – has no hesitation in saying one half of these armed marauders would have been arrested if proper assistance had been afforded to Native Police by a certain squatter on the Murray, in Victoria, well known to his tracker whose sheep & wool he had often crossed at Euston from the Darling, who refused to take charge of the first men they came up with, & made prisoners of, & whom they wished secured in order to proceed further in pursuit. Native Troopers were consequently compelled to retire with their prisoners whom they safely lodged in Swan Hill Lockup, from which Bench he committed them to Castlemaine Gaol for 6 months with hard labour, which sentence seemed to meet approbation of his native friends after their midnight ride</p> <p>10 In last Annual Report, remarked no instances of murder of Europeans had come to his knowledge within range of his duties, feels gratified in again reporting in past year no murder of stockman, shepherd or indeed of any European has occurred in District of Lower Darling, neither has any material aggression on stock of District taken place</p> <p>11 In conclusion remarks it will be his most anxious endeavour to foster & encourage friendly feeling at present existing between the 2 races</p> <p>Also at top: "56/1345 – 15 Feb 1856" "4/"</p> <p>&</p> <p>Note in margin - Forward, in reference to Reports from other Districts</p> <p>At top: "Commissioner at Maranoa"</p> <p>Transmitting his first Annual Report on State of Aborigines in District [No 56/1]: informs they still continue to exhibit strong feelings of hostility to white men which has characterized them in former years – regrets that in April last, they murdered 2 persons, a man & his wife who were stock keeping at Mr Ferrett's Station on Tanning Creek & with audacity for which they are noted, the place not being more than a days march from Native Police Barracks – later in year they assembled in vast bodies along the Balonne ostensibly for peaceful purpose of holding their "Borahs" [as it is – see also Bora] or Festivals, but really as events have proved for purpose of feasting on cattle of the settlers – 2 adjoining Stations about 20 miles from Surat, Mr Hall's & Mr Fleming's, have in particular suffered enormous loss from their predatory attacks, not only & not nearly so much from number of cattle killed (though this has been very great) but in number scared away from Runs into mountains & thick scrubs, where it is almost impossible to recover them – on these 2 Stations alone, where lately 3000 cattle fed, 500 cannot now be found – will probably be eventual loss to proprietors of thousands of pounds. Attacks of this kind even worse than in former years – considered by those in charge of Stations in this District & apparently with</p>		159 - 165

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						<p>good reason, that natives much more confident & have been much encouraged to these depredations since reduction in Native Police & since late murder of 5 of this Force at Port Curtis, account of which has spread through all blacks in District as well as reduction which has taken place – ‘prestige’ of Force is gone & unless there be stationed in District number sufficient for its protection, neither life nor property are safe. States even with 2 armed Troopers of his own will be unsafe for him even to visit Runs lately tendered for on Mooni & how much greater must be risk to solitary stockman or hut keeper who may afterwards be placed there – there is only 1 Lieutenant, a Sergeant & 12 men to protect this District. Most important service Native Police can render is dispersion of these “Borahs” for it is well known that ‘bullock’ forms chief ingredient & attraction of these assemblies & he is informed 12 men is least number which can venture on this duty as a “Borah” always consists of many hundreds</p> <p>Thought it his duty to enter thus at length into these particulars as it appears to him to affect seriously the wellbeing of District & its settlement, besides lives of aborigines themselves & their friendly feelings towards us - feels bound to state that knowledge that Native Force is quite inadequate to protect them is a strong inducement for settlers to take summary vengeance themselves</p> <p>With regard to domestic habits & moral condition of Aborigines, those employed in & about Stations are certainly in state of gradual improvement & have made considerable progress in decencies of life – number of this class is considerable & in general they are intelligent & useful – they make the best stockmen & shepherds to be found anywhere – judicious present of clothing to this class is attended with great benefit attaching them to white man & to civilized life, but it is reverse of beneficial to the wild & wholly unreclaimed having effect of making them suppose it is given from fear & not from regard for them, which arises no doubt from erroneous idea of character of white man – with regard to religious improvement, much to be regretted that while on the one hand as long as District continues thinly populated, & without Schools & resident Ministers of Religion, small hopes can be entertained; so on the other hand, that peopling of District by whites & establishment of those very institutions, is sure to be followed by retreat of the savage still further into the bush & from civilization & by longer continuance in ignorance & barbarism</p> <p>In conclusion, states his best endeavours shall be directed towards their improvement & amelioration of their condition by every means in his power</p> <p>Also at top: “56/1225 – 12 Feb 1856” “14.”</p> <p>&</p> <p>Note in margin – Mr M – 12 February</p>		
	56/00813	1856 01 21	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1856 01 19	<p>At top: “Agent for Immigration”</p> <p>Transmitting report [see p 507-523] received from Local Immigration Board Moreton Bay [2nd January 1856] re irregularities which occurred on board Immigrant Ship “Fortune”: although on perusal of evidence, circumstances of case appeared to be somewhat complicated - of opinion Board has come to best conclusions in matter [No 56/30]</p> <p>Para 2: Notwithstanding somewhat indecent & intemperate conduct of Dr Marshall, manner in which Master set all order at defiance by issue of medical comforts to Immigrants, unauthorised by Surgeon, & by reinstatement of First Officer, whose obscene & insulting conduct disentitle him to any consideration, cannot be passed over with a simple reprimand –</p>	A2.35	166 – 170

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						<p>therefore recommends Mr Sandford [as it is – see also Sanford] should in conjunction with other Officers, be reported as persons who ought not again be employed in service of Commissioners</p> <p>Para 3: In reference to conduct of Dr Marshall, considers Board has arrived at just decision & although he appears to have had much to contend with, he has evinced irritability of temper & want of management that absolutely disqualify him for ever filling so responsible a situation as that which he then held with any chance of success & cannot therefore recommend him for future employment – nothing in present instance to warrant withholding of his gratuity, or certificate to enable him to receive return passage money on his arrival in England</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin [<i>some illegible notes here</i>]</p> <p><u>Immigration</u></p> <p>56/432</p> <p>This paper was put with others & does not appear to have been decided on</p> <p>See 56/00803 [<i>very faint</i>]</p> <p>Recommendations in 2nd & 3rd paras may perhaps be communicated to Colonial Land & Immigration Commissioners [as it is] [<i>contd p 167</i>]</p> <p>Yes & Master to be informed</p> <p>56/00803 [crossed out]</p> <p>Noted "G W N"</p> <p>Immigration Agent</p> <p>"On 15th April"</p> <p>56/00803</p> <p>[p 167] Gratuity to Surgeon has already been authorised – Agent for Immigration should perhaps inform Master of decision with reference to his letter enclosed in 56/01045</p>		
	56/00820	1856 01 25	Hon CS	Audit Office, Sydney John Stirling	1856 01 24	<p>At top: "Auditor General"</p> <p>Submitting application forwarded to him by Government Resident Port Curtis [Margin: 22nd January 1856] for £600 to enable him to pay wages of men employed in construction of Dam at that Settlement [No 23]</p> <p>Para 2: Explains requisite Funds for completion of this work to be raised by sale of Debentures under Public Works Loans Act of last Session, but no portion of amount is yet available</p> <p>Para 3: As amount applied for urgently required by Capt O'Connell, requests to be informed whether His Excellency would sanction advance being made out of reserved balance of Territorial Revenue as temporary measure – amount to be replaced by first proceeds of Debentures to be raised under authority of abovementioned Act</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin</p> <p>What is reserved balance of Territorial Revenue & for what purpose was it reserved? – blank cover – to be returned</p> <p>Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE–NEW SOUTH WALES / No 131-JA*29</p> <p>On date of proclamation of new Constitution, 24 November 1855, General & Territorial Revenue became consolidated, but Balance at credit of Territorial Revenue was reserved for purpose of defraying expenses chargeable on that revenue previously unused - balance 23rd November £50,194-15-7 & on 23rd inst reduced to £37,813-13-2-- blank cover</p> <p>Returned Colonial Secretary's Office</p> <p>&</p>	A2.35	171 – 173
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	56/00837		Stephen Grenville Fremantle, Captain H M S "Juno" & Senior Officer in Australia	M S Steam Vessel "Torch", Port Jackson Charles Bullen Dobbin, Lieutenant Commanding	1856 01 19	Notes [written across p 176] Never were given ... the amount to be paid according to the Admiral's Regulations- [very difficult to read] Letter in consequence of Officers, Petty Officers & Ships Company of Her Majesty's Steam Tender "Torch" under his command having applied to him for extra pay during 33 days while employed in transport of stores from Sydney to Port Curtis: requests application be forwarded for Governor General's consideration – understands in event of above named vessel being employed by Colonial Government, Officers & Ships Company were to receive remuneration making their pay up to Scale voted for "Torch" as appears in Estimate		178 – 179
	56/00837		Acting Auditor General	Colonial Secretary's Office, Sydney W Elyard for the Colonial Secretary	1856 02 09	Letter informing under recommendation of Captain Fremantle R N, His Excellency approves of Petty Officers & Ships Company of H M S "Juno" now doing duty on board Steamer "Torch" being paid for the 33 days she was employed going to Port Curtis according to Scale provided on Estimates for "Torch" [Margin "W V"?] Para 2: Expense to be defrayed as proposed in your Blank Cover Memorandum 4 th inst out of balance of Vote for 1855, for Gunboat "Torch"		180 – 181
	56/00837		Captain Fremantle R N, H M S "Juno", Sydney	Colonial Secretary's Office, Sydney W Elyard for the Colonial Secretary	1856 02 09	Acknowledging receipt of his letter 22 nd ult – informs His Excellency has approved of pay of Petty Officers & Ships Company of "Juno" now doing duty on board "Torch" being for 33 days she was engaged in going to Port Curtis made up to Scale provided on Estimates for "Torch" [Margin: "W V"] Para 2: Acting Auditor General has been apprised accordingly & Notes at top See also enquiry in Minute These are not right – they are not to receive pay according to Estimate for "Torch" but their pay to be made up to that Scale		182 – 183
	56/00420	1856 01 15	Hon CS	H M Sloop "Fantome" [also spelt "Phantome"] Port Jackson J H Gennys, Commander	1856 01 14	At top: "Capt Gennys R N" Letter enclosing List of Officers & men from this Sloop employed in "Torch" steamer on her trip to Port Curtis in September [not filmed here], on which occasion was arranged they were to receive extra pay from Colonial Government according to Scale in Admiralty Instructions for extra duty – as Sloop under his command ordered for sea in a few days, desirable the men be paid before she sails & Notes in margin Auditor General – blank cover Noted – Immediate Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE--NEW SOUTH WALES--/No 43-JA*15 Mr Jones Pro forma account prepared for approval	A2.35	184
				"W E"	1856 01 15 1856 01 16~			
				"E J"?				
				"J S"	1856 01 16	Notes re above No record in this office of arrangement referred to by Capt Gennys, nor of understanding alluded to by Mr Dobbin - there is a balance available on Vote for 1855 of £2875-17-4 for Steam Gunboat "Torch" & if payment of this claim authorized, it should be brought forward on accompanying form [not filmed here] prepared in this office from List furnished by Capt Gennys		185

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	55/09471	1855 09 04	Hon CS	<p>Her Majesty's Sloop "Fantome" Port Jackson J H Gennys, Commander</p> <p>"C D R" "W D"</p> <p>H M Sloop "Fantome" Port Jackson, N S Wales J H Gennys, Commander & Senior Officer present</p>	<p>1855 09 03</p> <p>1855 09 04~ 1855 09 08</p> <p>1855 09 01</p>	<p>At top: "Commander Gennys R N" Letter in reply to CS letter "of this days date": requests His Excellency be informed he has sent 2 Officers & 20 men to Her Majesty's Steam Tender "Torch" to enable her to perform service required – will be ready for sea tomorrow morning & encloses copy of Mr Dobbin's Orders for information & Notes in margin For Governor General "Torch" will clear the heads? before dark Satisfactory – thank Capt Gennys Capt Gennys [as it is] [Ref 56/00420]</p> <p>At top: "J H Gennys Commander" "Copy" Letter re Settlement of Port Curtis urgently in want of provisions: Informs Her Majesty's Steam Tender "Torch" under his command being in all respects ready for sea, required & directed without loss of time to proceed to Newcastle in River Hunter, there to complete with as much coal as he can stow, after which to proceed to Port Curtis & deliver to Mr O'Connell provisions etc which will be taken on board at this place according to list to be sent from Colonial Secretary's Office, for which you will grant a receipt & obtain a similar receipt on delivery On return from Port Curtis, to again call at Newcastle & complete coal when you will without loss of time "re-join me at this Port" Coasting Pilot will be sent on board by Port Officer - to bear in mind all extra expenses for coal etc to be defrayed by Colonial Government - Party consisting of 1 Mate (Mr Gardiner), 1 Master's Assistant (Mr Guy) & 20 Petty Officers, seamen & mariners detached from "Fantome" to "Torch" for this service & will be (for the time) under your orders – 1 months provisions sent with them & you are strictly cautioned to avoid unnecessary delay & At end: Should you find it necessary to call at Moreton Bay for further supply of coal, you are to do so – J H Gennys</p>	A2.35	187
	55/09471		C B Dobbin, Acting Mate Commanding H M Steam Tender "Torch"					188 – 190
	56/00850	1856 01 25	Hon CS	<p>Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney Surveyor General "H H"</p> <p>"M F"</p>	<p>1856 01 24</p> <p>1856 01 25~ 1856 01 28~ 1856 01 29~</p>	<p>At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting Schedules & Descriptions of portions of Crown Lands for proclamation & sale in Sydney [No 56/61] & Notes in margin M F Not aware of any objection To be acted on "Mr M" "W M"?</p>	A2.35	191

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	56/00850					Abstract [Place of Sale /Special Co. Lots /Suburban Lots /Town Lots /Remarks] Sydney / - / - / 40 / Coogee allotments Sydney / 13 / 20 / - / Lands at Port Curtis Sydney / - / 25 / - / An Abbreviated Schedule		193
	56/00850					[PRINTED FORMS] (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for Sale at Land Sales Room Colonial Treasury, Sydney [Lot/ Situation: County – Town or Place/ No of Allotment/ No of Section/ Quantity/ Upset Price per Acre / When last offered for Sale / No of Lot] [quantities & prices are noted here] Suburban Lots Lots 1-25 / Cumberland – Parish of Willoughby, Middle Harbour/ - / - / 1 st November 1855/ Lots 2-6, 11-21, 25-28, 31-35		194 – 196
	56/00850					[PRINTED FORMS] Lands at Port Curtis F.13 SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE at Land Sales Room Colonial Treasury, Sydney [Situation of land / No of Allotment / No of Section / Area / Name of Applicant / Upset price per acre / Remarks] [quantities & prices are noted here] Suburban Lots In the County of Clinton Allotments 1-20 / - / The Crown/ *See below Special Country Lots In the Parish of East Stowe, Calliope River Allotments 22-31, 34, 35, 41 / - / The Crown/ *See below * Remarks: These lands were proclaimed for sale in Sydney on 8 th June 1855, & again 17 th October 1855 but were not offered on those days in consequence of non-attendance of the public. They are a third time brought forward for sale in Sydney as directed by Colonial Secretary's Blank Cover 24 th October 1855 - 55/10863 herewith returned		197 – 199
	55/10863	1855 10 19	Hon CS	Revenue Branch, Colonial Treasury, Sydney Francis L S Merewether "J N" "G N"?	1855 10 07	At top: "Colonial Treasurer" Letter reporting in consequence of non-attendance of Public, Lands at Port Curtis proclaimed to be sold in Sydney 17 th October 1855 not offered for sale [No 428] & Notes in margin Entd 1.BC.P – Rec'd 26 October 1855	A2.35	200
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	55/12284		Hon Colonial Treasurer, Sydney	Police Office, Deniliquin Henry Shiell Clerk of Petty Sessions	1855 12 18- 1855 12 19- 1855 12 22- 1855 12 22- 1855 12 27- 1855 11 17	<p>allotments objectionable for any reason – or is their non sale to be attributed to the expectation that price of land will be lowered? They will be noted accordingly by Bench's list of lots unsold Probably the circumstances of several sales having taken place in pretty quick succession, which would supply requirements of the people, & the failure of the crops which would dishearten them, will account for the result* Very well bring forward again as directed *I found on reference to the Gazette that the previous sale was on the 5th November only <u>ten</u> days before this - & that in this case only 34 days notice was given whereas two months is required for Deniliquin This time with the two months notice To do that is the business of the Colonial Secretary's Office. In the Schedule to be forwarded, the district will be marked as hitherto "Remote" No doubt their reason for having given so short a notice was that no sales could take place this year after the 15th November (which ... the day of sale in this case) but the responsibility lies with them</p> <p><u>Enclosure in Colonial Treasurer's letter of 5th December 1855 – No 552</u> Letter informing Land advertised [Margin: proclaimed] for sale at North Deniliquin by proclamation of 8th ult, on 15th inst, was put up Thursday last, Lawrence Cockburn JP in attendance - although there were some persons present, no bid submitted for any of the Lots [No 55/22] Para 2: Sale List is returned to your office by same mail as conveys this</p>		210
	56/00852					<p>[PRINTED FORMS] <u>Remote District</u> (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for Sale at Police Office, Gayndah [No/ Situation: County – Town or Place/ No of Allotment/ No of Section/ Quantity/ Upset Price per Acre / When last offered for Sale / No of Lot] [quantities & prices are noted here] Town Lots <u>Fitzroy – Town of Gayndah</u> Lots 1-10 / Allotments 10-17, 19-20 / Section 19 / 9th February 1855 / Lots 21-18, 30-31 Lots 11-29 / Allotments 1-19 / Section 20 / 9th February 1855 / Lots 32-50 Suburban Lots <u>Fitzroy – Eastern Suburbs of Gayndah</u> Lots 30-31 / Allotments 6-7 / Section 5 / 5th February 1855 / Lots 54-55</p> <p>[PRINTED FORMS] <u>Remote District</u> (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for Sale at Police Office, Deniliquin [No/ Situation: County – Town or Place/ No of Allotment/ No of Section/ Quantity/ Upset Price per Acre / When last offered for Sale / No of Lot] [quantities & prices are noted here] Town Lots <u>Unnamed - North Deniliquin</u> Lots 1-20 / Allotments 1-20 / Section 71 / 15th November 1855 / Lots 1-20 Lots 21-27/ Allotments 2-5,16-18/ Section 72 / 15th November 1855 /</p>	A2.35	211 – 212 [2 x p 211]
	56/00852					<p>[PRINTED FORMS] <u>Remote District</u> (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for Sale at Police Office, Deniliquin [No/ Situation: County – Town or Place/ No of Allotment/ No of Section/ Quantity/ Upset Price per Acre / When last offered for Sale / No of Lot] [quantities & prices are noted here] Town Lots <u>Unnamed - North Deniliquin</u> Lots 1-20 / Allotments 1-20 / Section 71 / 15th November 1855 / Lots 1-20 Lots 21-27/ Allotments 2-5,16-18/ Section 72 / 15th November 1855 /</p>		213 – 216

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	56/00852					<p>Lots 21-27 Lots 28-40/ Allotments 1-13 / Section 73 / 15th November 1855 / Lots 28-40 Lots 41-47/ Allotments 14-20 / Section 73 / 15th November 1855 / Lots 41-47</p> <p>Suburban Lots <u>Unnamed – Parish of South Deniliquin</u> Lot 48 / Allotment 1 / Section 35 / 3rd September 1855 / Lot 37 Lot 49 / Allotment1 / Section 36 / 3rd September 1855 / Lot 38 Lot 50 / Allotment 2 / Section 36 / 3rd September 1855 / Lot 39 Lot 51 / Allotment 1 / Section 37 / 3rd September 1855 / Lot 40 <u>Unnamed - Parish of North Deniliquin</u> Lot 52 / Allotment 1 / Section 59 / 3rd September 1855 / Lot 41 Lot 53 / Allotment 1 / Section 60 / 3rd September 1855 / Lot 42 Lot 54 / Allotment 1 / Section 61 / 3rd September 1855 / Lot 43</p> <p>[PRINTED FORMS] <u>Remote District</u> (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for Sale at Police Office, <u>Balranald</u> [No/ Situation: County – Town or Place/ No of Allotment/ No of Section/ Quantity/ Upset Price per Acre / When last offered for Sale / No of Lot] [quantities & prices are noted here] Town Lots <u>Unnamed – Town of Balranald at Caiera, Lower Darling</u> Lots 1-8 / Allotments 1-6, 9-10 / Section 13 / 12th October 1855 / Lots 16-23 Lots 9-24 / Allotments 1-5,10-20 / Section 14 / 12th October 1855 / Lots 24-39 <u>Unnamed - Village of Euston at Nowong, Lower Darling</u> Lots 25-34 / Allotments 1-9, 20 / Section 6 / 12th October 1855 / Lots 40-49 Lots 35-39 / Allotments 1-5 / Section 7 / 12th October 1855 / Lots 50-54 Lots 40-49 / Allotments 10-19 / Section 12 / 12th October 1855 / Lots 55-64</p>		217 – 220
	56/00852					<p>[PRINTED FORMS] <u>Remote District</u> (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for Sale at Police Office, <u>Armidale</u> [No/ Situation: County – Town or Place/ No of Allotment/ No of Section/ Quantity/ Upset Price per Acre / When last offered for Sale / No of Lot] [quantities & prices are noted here] Town Lots <u>Vernon – Town of Walcha</u> Lot 1 / Allotment 18 / Section 3 / 14th May 1855 / Lot 2 Lot 2 / Allotment 2 / Section 5 / 14th May 1855 / Lot 8 Lot 3 / Allotment 5 / Section 5 / 14th May 1855 / Lot 11 Lots 4-7 / Allotments 1-4 / Section 42 / 14th May 1855 / Lots 35-38 <u>Inglis – Town of Bendemere</u> Lots 8-16 / Allotments 1-2,6-7,12,17-20 / Section 16 / 18th June 1855 / Lots 19-20,24-26, 31-34 Lots 17-19 / Allotments 2,3,10/ Section 41/ 18th June 1855 / Lots 36,37,44 <u>Sandon – Town of Armidale</u></p>		221 – 223

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	56/00876	1856 01 29	Hon CS	Commissioners Office, Tinana Arthur E Halloran	1856 01 17	<p>At top: "Commissioner of Crown Lands & Police Magistrate – District of Wide Bay and Burnett"</p> <p>Letter offering observations on letter addressed to CS by William Henry Walsh 2nd inst reflecting "on my conduct as Police Magistrate of this District" [No 56/6]</p> <p>Para 2: With a disingenuousness for which Mr Walsh seems remarkable & with view of misleading & giving his letter appearance of importance to which it is not entitled, he has erroneously stated that it is from "Bench of Magistrates Gayndah" whereas it is production of Mr Walsh himself who is not even a Magistrate of that Bench</p> <p>Para 3: Benches at Gayndah & Maryborough are both within the District, has honour to officiate as Commissioner of Crown Lands & Police Magistrate, but Maryborough being shipping Port of District, of much greater importance than Gayndah & requiring more the services of a Police Magistrate, he resides near former place - with his large family, expense of living at Gayndah would be ruinous, however he visits Gayndah as often as his other duties will admit of his absence & whenever his attendance is required to prevent inconvenience to public, of which Chief Constable has orders to apprise him - this he has had to do on many occasions, particularly at a Licensing meeting, when although 6 Magistrates were written for by Clerk of Petty Sessions, not one was in attendance</p> <p>Para 4: Circumstance alluded to by Mr Walsh as to his allowing drinking on Gayndah racecourse is simply this: On 19th November last when acting as Police Magistrate in Gayndah, was applied to by Henry Harper, Publican to sanction exercise of privileges of his License on Race Course at Gayndah on 26 & 27 December. This is authorised by 8th Section of Act of Council 13 Vict No 29 & is a practice prevalent all over Colony, saw no reason refusing to allow it in this instance – had been busy during greater part of day in taking depositions, filling in Warrants, etc, the Clerk of Petty Sessions being unable to attend to his duties from illness, & he forgot to issue proper authority before leaving Gayndah, but on subsequently receiving another application from Mr Harper, he prepared document & forwarded it to Chief Constable of Gayndah to be recorded in Police Office & delivered to Applicant. In this case it will be seen that he did not act either irregularly or improperly. Has since made enquiries from Chief Constable & others who were present at races, & informed they were quiet & orderly - & case of stabbing to which Mr Walsh alludes, is one of a most trumpery nature & will not, he is satisfied, be brought before a higher Tribunal by Attorney General</p> <p>Para 5: In stating "that it is desirable for interests of District that in event of my not residing at Gayndah, I should abstain from occasional interference" Mr Walsh makes assertion that is not borne out by facts, but when he adds that exercise of his authority is productive of injurious rather than beneficial consequences to morality of community, he unhesitatingly declares his statement to be as free from truth as it is pregnant with malice; & asserts his visits to Gayndah are in every respect beneficial to the place & from being able to officiate alone on Bench has very materially expedited the public business. In addition to which his attendance at Gayndah is of importance to parties residing in that portion of District who may require to see him in his capacity of Commissioner of Crown Lands as it saves them</p>	A2.35	224 – 233

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				William Henry Walsh, Overseer	1855 12 29	<p>journey of about 170 miles necessary to visit him at this own quarters</p> <p>Para 6: Further states in addition to disposing of cases at Gayndah Bench he signs all Pay Abstracts & generally accounts etc of Department, the appointment as well as punishment of Constables has been left in his hands; in short management of Gayndah Police has never been interfered with by Magistrates belonging to Gayndah Bench, & monthly "Conduct Returns" are made to him by Chief Constable – can hardly understand what Mr Walsh considers an occasional interference. Amount of business transacted at Bench is very small, & if Governor General will be pleased to order to be prepared a List of all Cases tried at Gayndah from 1st April 1854 when he commenced acting as Police Magistrate until present date, & the Magistrates before whom such cases were tried, he will find not only that Gayndah is not the lawless & immoral place represented by Mr Walsh, but also that fair proportion of cases was disposed of by him.</p> <p>Para 7: In conclusion, states for upwards of 21 years, he has had honour of holding Office under Government, 20 years of which he has been engaged in Police duties & thinks he may confidently refer to Attorney General & other Heads of Departments under whose notice his duties may have occasionally brought him, as to zeal & efficiency with which they have always been performed. Mr Walsh on the other hand is a young man in employ of gentlemen residing in Sydney as his signature to official document annexed will show – he was, on the injudicious recommendation of he believes the late Mr Bidwill, placed in Commission of the Peace & although without experience as Magistrate & with very little knowledge of duties of one, he has thought proper to interfere with him & to pass a censure on his conduct as Police Magistrate – his attacks upon him are dictated by ill feeling, and made no doubt with "view to lessen my influence here, for so long as I was on friendly terms with him, his opinions were of a very different nature</p> <p>Para 8: Adds he has been informed Mr Walsh is endeavouring to create the same disunion at this Bench (Maryborough) as he has succeeded in doing at Gayndah by getting Magistrates to join in an application to have Police Act extended to Maryboro [as it is]; knowing that from the utter impossibility of its provisions being carried out, "I shall be compelled for good of District, to offer an opinion in opposition to those who may sign the Document – one only of whom resides within 45 miles of the place</p> <p>"Return of Sheep" Following is Return of all sheep now depastured by Messrs Griffiths Fanning & Co at Degilbo in New South Wales: Name of Station – Degilbo Number of sheep – 31,300 Overseer – William Henry Walsh I William Henry Walsh do hereby solemnly declare that to the best of my knowledge & belief the foregoing is a true & faithful account of all sheep & lambs kept or depastured by me or under my charge on Degilbo "Declared before me at Degilbo in the Colony of New South Wales this 29th day of December 1855 – H C Corfield JP"</p>		234
	56/00880	1856 01 29	Hon CS	Police Office, Maryborough Arthur E Halloran Police Magistrate	1856 01 17	<p>At top: "Police Magistrate Maryborough" "31/"</p> <p>Acknowledging receipt of CS Circular No 166 of 28th ult enclosing Notices of Census Act 19th Vict No 5 for purpose of being affixed to Court House & other conspicuous places in this portion of District of Wide Bay & Burnett</p>	A2.35	235 – 236

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				"M F"	1856 01 29~	[No 56/3] Para 2: Has appointed individuals named to act as Collectors: Margin: Edward Fielding Palmer, Richard Paling [Poling?], John Smith 150 copies of Form A annexed to Act sufficient for this portion of District & & Note in margin – 300 forms have already been sent [Cover] At top: "Maryborough 25/1/56" O H M S / The Honourable / The Colonial Secretary / Sydney [postmarked: SYDNEY-NEW S.WALES / JA*28 [blurred]] [Small square cut from letter – to remove postage stamp?]		237
	56/00882	1856 01 29	Hon CS	Police Office, Gayndah Arthur E Halloran Police Magistrate R P Marshall JP	1856 01 14	At top: "Bench of Magistrates Gayndah" "21" Acknowledges receipt of CS Circular No 166 of 28 th ult enclosing Notices under Census Act 19 Vict No 5 for purpose of being affixed to Court House & other conspicuous places in this Portion of District of Wide Bay & Burnett [No 56/1] Para 2: Has selected & appointed individuals named as fit persons to collect information required: Margin: Merrick Shawe Persse, Thomas Stanley Sudlow, William Martin Stephenson – they will be ready to commence duty on 1 st of March next Para 3: Thinks 150 copies of Form A annexed to Act will be sufficient for this portion of Country & Note in margin – 250 have been promised	A2.35	238 – 239
	56/00884	1856 01 29	Hon CS	Court House, Drayton T De Lacy Moffatt JP for the Bench	1856 01 16 1856 01 29~	At top: "Bench of Magistrates Drayton" "17" Letter informing re CS Circular letter of 28 th ult that 500 copies of Form A annexed to Census Act will be required for this District, each form being insufficient for enumeration of certain extensive Establishments & Notes in margin If they attend to Instructions & properly economise the half? sheets, will find they have abundance - to prevent any mistake, number asked for will be sent	A2.35	240 – 241
	56/00908 56/00908	1856 01 29	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney Surveyor General "H H" "M F"	1856 01 24 1856 01 30~ 1856 01 30~ 1856 01 30~ 1856 01 31~	At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting Abbreviated Schedule of Town & Suburban Lands for Re-proclamation & sale at Police Office Brisbane [No 56/69] & Notes in margin M F Not aware of any objection Proclamation to be prepared "Mr M" "W M"? Notes re above Re-proclaimed 9 th February for sale at Brisbane, Moreton Bay on 18 th March 1856 [PRINTED FORMS] (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for Sale at Police Office, Brisbane	A2.35	242 243 244 – 246

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						<p>[Lot/ Situation: County – Town or Place/ No of Allotment/ No of Section/ Quantity/ Upset Price per Acre / When last offered for Sale / No of Lot] [quantities & prices are noted here]</p> <p>Town Lots <u>Stanley – Brisbane</u> Lots 41-43 / Allotments 1-3 / Section 21 / 23rd October 1855 / Lots 1-3 Lots 44-49 / Allotments 7,10,14-17/ 23rd October 1855 / Lots 13,15,19-22 Lot 50 / Allotment 13 / Section 7/ 23rd October 1855 / Lot 35 Lots 51-65 / Allotments 3-7,10-20 / 23rd October 1855 / Lots 38-52 Lot 66 / Allotment 20 / Section 15/ 23rd October 1855 / Lot 53</p> <p>Suburban Lots <u>Stanley – Parish of South Brisbane</u> Lot 67 / Allotment 77 / 23rd October 1855 / Lot 56 Lot 68 / Allotment 81 / 23rd October 1855 / Lot 58</p>		
	56/00982	1856 01 31	His Ex Sir William Thomas Denison, Governor General	Joseph Whalin		<p>At top: "Joseph Whelan, Publican [as it is]" Petitioner purchased premises he now occupies as an Inn in Dalby, Darling Downs District at sale by auction 22nd September 1854 by Curator of Intestate Estates, in intestate estate of late Samuel Stewart for £442 – since then Petitioner has expended in improving property further £300 – states premises originally built by late Samuel Stewart 1849 for an Inn then so much needed in locality, since which time always licensed as an Inn & known as Plough Inn - Petitioner believing land on which property is erected surveyed preparatory to sale thereof, prays consideration of his case & grant of compensation reimbursing him for sum expended in purchasing & improving property Also at top: "For compensation for improvements on Crown Lands" "Entd 1.BC.W – Rec'd 7 February 1856" & Notes in margin M F Surveyor General requested to report – blank cover – to be returned Noted Mr Whelan informed [as it is]</p> <p>Notes re above Survey referred to has not been received & Whalan's claim [as it is] will be enquired into with view of its being dealt with when survey is received Entd 56/39 – fol 210 – vol 5 Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Improvements seem to have been made without any authority from Government, but under general rules applicable to such cases, would be no objection to allotment being brought to sale, with option to occupant of removing them should he fail to purchase M F Probably this course which is usual will satisfy applicant if approved</p>	A2.35	247 – 248
				George Barney Surveyor General's Office	1856 02 18			249
				"W E" "M F"	1856 01 30~ 1856 02 06 1856 02 07~ 1856 02 06			
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	56/00993	1856 01 28	Hon Colonial Treasurer	Dalby Police Office Joshua P Bell JP for the Bench	1856 01 12	<p>At top: "Bench of Magistrates Dalby" "15/" Letter stating in answer to CS Circular No 166 dated 28th December 1855, that 500 copies of Form A for Census Returns will be required for this District &</p>	A2.35	250

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					1856 02 01~	further report promised Yes 56/01645 Returned - "On 15 March" "G W N" Noted		
	56/00803	1856 01 21	His Ex the Governor General, Sydney	North Brisbane, Moreton Bay J Sanford, Master	1856 01 14	<p>At top: "J Sanford, Commander Ship <i>"Fortune"</i></p> <p>Letter re investigation result of which is pending His Excellency's decision: states evidence in writing transmitted to Capt Brown [as it is – see also Browne] Colonial Immigration Agent is incomplete, does not fully lay before you facts as they really stand, touching matters in dispute between Dr Marshall Surgeon Superintendent of Ship <i>"Fortune"</i> & himself as Commander – evidence does not fully represent his position - he was not permitted to produce all evidence he could have brought forward to exonerate himself from all blame relative to his treatment of Dr Marshall</p> <p>Circumstances as they arose during Investigation before Immigration Commissioners in Brisbane are as follows:</p> <p>When Dr Marshall had completed examination of his witnesses, relative to his charge of ill-treatment, Captain Wickham & Dr Kemble said "it was singular & extraordinary that Dr Marshall had failed to prove a charge against me" & afterwards in entering upon his defence when it ended Mr Duncan & Dr Kemball expressed themselves perfectly satisfied with merits of case & further said he had done his duty in accordance with Charter Party & in order that he might be more fully satisfied that such was their impression, he asked if they had any doubt as to his innocence of charges brought against him, if so he was prepared to call many more witnesses to substantiate his statement – Dr Kemball & Mr Duncan stated it was not necessary that he "had cleared himself & the ship & would (as Dr Kemball afterwards stated after expressing himself perfectly satisfied with result of investigation) only entail upon him & Owners the loss caused by a few days detention</p> <p>This was his reason for stating that facts of case in his behalf are not so full as they might have been had not he been given to understand that his case was so clear that no more witnesses were necessary – again on 8th January, Dr Kemball informed him that all Gratuities to Officers of Ship <i>"Fortune"</i> were stopped for in presence of Mr Buckley, Dr Kemball stated that although Dr Marshall refused to sign his Certificates as Surgeon Superintendent of Ship, yet he would do so, which would answer the purpose just as well, as it was not of the slightest consequence whether Surgeon Superintendent signed them or not. On hearing that all gratuities would be refused, he immediately applied to Dr Kemball for a copy of the evidence & Commissioners Report in the case taken for information of Your Excellency which he refused – he then applied to Capt Wickham as Chairman of Board, who stated he could have them by all means – he immediately addressed letter of application to Chairman requesting him to cause a copy to be furnished of the whole case when he received in answer a letter from Immigration Agent, the following of which is a copy:</p> <p>Immigration Office, Moreton Bay 11 January 1856 No 147/55 Sir -</p> <p>In reply to your letter of 11th inst addressed to Immigration Board requiring them to supply you with copies of evidence of the whole proceeding, & also of their report in matter between Dr Kemball & yourself, have to inform you</p>	A2.35	257 – 260

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				"W D" "W E"	1856 01 19~ 1856 01 22 1856 01 26~	not in power of Board to comply with your request - documents referred to forwarded to Sydney for consideration of Governor General A C Kemball Immigration Agent Moreton Bay (pro Board) To Capt Sanford Would also state that has furnished Capt Wickham with a copy of this letter, & trust as case is now pending, Your Excellency will look at circumstances of case in a favourable light, being now precluded from furnishing evidence which but for Commissioners, would have been appended for Your Excellency's perusal & Note in margin – See 56/00813 & Notes re above Refer for remarks of Immigration Agent Blank Cover – to be returned with 56/00813 Noted <u>Immigration</u> 56/432 – 24 January 1856 [Ref 56/01045]		
	56/01073	1856 01 31	Hon CS	Sheriff's Office, Sydney John O'Neill Brenan, Sheriff [see also John O'Neil Brenan]	1856 01 30 1856 01 31~ 1856 01 31~ 1856 02 01~ 1856 02 02 1856 02 05	At top: "Sheriff" Letter reporting conduct of Jane Clune since confinement in Gaol is stated by Principal Gaoler to have been in every respect correct (ref CS letter 25 January inst No 29) [No 56/7] P S Explains this reply would have been in earlier but for Saturday & Monday being holidays in Crown Law Offices & Notes in margin M F Presume this woman may now be set at liberty E D T Yes Sheriff, Inspector General	A2.35	261 - 263

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