

## **NEW SOUTH WALES – COLONIAL SECRETARY**

## 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  Treasury Francis L S Merewether	1855 12 20 1856 01 02~ 1856 01 03~ 1855 12 31 1856 01 10	At top: "Police Magistrate Ipswich" Forwarding Memorial of Henry Brooks of Ipswich, baker – on 5 <sup>th</sup> 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 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	A2.35	001 – 002
	55/00074 [should be 56/00074]		Bench of Magistrates, Ipswich	Henry Brooks	[no date]	Petition of Henry Brooks of Ipswich, Baker & Confectioner: baker in Ipswich for some time, seeks License as Confectioner - applied to Bench for Certificate enabling him to obtain license – ignorant re proper time for making application, regrets neglected to comply with Act – Petitioner attended before Bench, as no objection to his obtaining License, trusts they will recommend License be issued to him		003
	56/00088	1856 01 04	Hon CS	Custom House, Sydney J Gibbes, Collector  "C D R"	1856 01 02 1856 01 04~ 1856 01 08	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 31st 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  Application may be granted in absence of Governor General  Collector of Customs – Entd - "W N L"	A2.35	004 - 006

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	56/00119	1856 01 07	Hon CS	H M Gaol, Brisbane J C Wickham, V J "M F"	1855 12 24 1856 01 08~ 1856 01 08~	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	1855 12 10	[PRINTED WARRANT] At top: "Warrant under 1st and 2nd & 4th 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 10th 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 "M F"	1855 12 10~ 1855 12 10~ 1855 12 10~	At top: "Visiting Justice of H M Gaol Brisbane" Letter informing Catherine Huggins was committed to this Gaol from Brisbane Bench on 30 <sup>th</sup> 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 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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	55/12304					removed to public Colonial Lunatic Asylum by order of Governor General and for so doing this shall be your sufficient Warrant Given under our hands & seals at Brisbane 30 <sup>th</sup> day of November1855 – "W A Duncan JP [seal] – Henry Buckley JP [seal]"  New South Wales – To Wit: We the undersigned being 2 legally qualified Medical Practitioners residing at Brisbane have this 30 <sup>th</sup> day of November 1855 carefully examined Catherine Huggins & are of opinion that Catherine Huggins is a dangerous lunatic & she should not be suffered to go at large Sworn by deponents Frederick James Barton and Hugh Bell this 30 <sup>th</sup> day of November 1855 - [signed] "Frederick James Barton – Hugh Bell M D" before us [signed] "W A Duncan JP - Henry Buckley JP"		012
	56/00135	1856 01 07	Hon CS	Police Office, Gladstone H V Stonhouse C P S  "C D R"	1855 12 26 1856 01 07~	At top: "Clerk of Petty Sessions" Informing Bench of Magistrates Gladstone deemed it advisable to swear in Captain Lake of Schooner "Sable Chief" as Special Constable for purpose of taking charge of prisoners from Gladstone committed to Gaol in Sydney & Note in margin – "Read"	A2.35	013
	56/00214	1856 01 08	Hon CS	Sydney M C O'Connell Government Resident  "C D R"	1856 01 07 1856 01 09~	At top: "Government Resident Port Curtis" Acknowledging receipt (on 4 <sup>th</sup> inst) of CS letter 21 <sup>st</sup> December last with enclosures, referring for his report on claim from L S Jacobson for payment of money due to him for articles supplied to Government Establishment Port Curtis: states articles in question seem to have been supplied to Mr Mylrea Government Resident's Clerk who received allowance to enable him to build house as an official residence, but was not authorised to order articles on account of Government Para 2: Allowance made to Mr Mylrea fixed at £200 - of this he received "from me" £150 before embarking for Port Curtis in March 1854 & £25 after his final removal from that place from Auditor General in Sydney, £175 in all – as his buildings were left in unfinished state this was considered as much as he was entitled to for work performed Para 3: Seems Mr Jacobson's remedy is against Mr Mylrea only, who certainly had no authority to contract debts on Government account - has reason to believe disposed of some articles to a Storekeeper in Gladstone Para 4: Adds Mr Mylrea has also drawn upon him in favour of Messrs Nott & Edwards for £15 on same account - evident admission of one claim of this sort would involve payment of others & Notes in margin Enclosures returned Certainly Mr Jacobson supplied Mr Mylrea without any order from Resident & I presume his recourse is against Mr Mylrea only	A2.35	014 – 016
					1856 01 12	Mr Jacobson  Notes re above 55/00463 – Clerk to Government Resident Port Curtis – 12 January – in reference to £256-15-0 expended by him in erection of Government buildings Port Curtis – sent to Auditor General 24 July 1855 [see A2.31 – pp 128, 134]		017 – 018

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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 <sup>th</sup> 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 – <a href="mailto:very sorry">very sorry</a> 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 "Tom Tough" Schooner will bring – must post them in a day or two after receiving this as "Tom Tough" 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 "Tom Tough" - 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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						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 "Tom Tough" 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"		
	55/12522					[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 F Garland Mylrea bearing date 11 <sup>th</sup> July 1854 (herewith transmitted) [costs are noted here]  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		028 – 029
	55/12522			Gladstone, Port Curtis F Garland Mylrea	1854 07 11	Required for the erection of Government Buildings for Mr F Garland Mylrea 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; some glue and putty; and 1 Wooden Water Butt Tap		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	1855 12 00~	At top: "Bench" Letter informing Police Office there not supplied with Acts of Council 17th & 18 <sup>th</sup> Victoria (1853 & 1854) – as they are frequently required would be obliged if they may be sent as soon as practicable & Notes in margin	A2.35	032
				"M F"	1856 01 15~ 1856 01 16~ 1856 01 18~ 1856 01 22	M F For approval Approved Government Printer, Bench Dalby		
	56/00408	1856 01 15	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1856 01 14	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]	A2.35	033 – 034
					1856 01 19~ 1856 01 21~	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		
				"E D T" "W D"	1856 01 21~ 1856 01 22 1856 01 25	Agent for Immigration to be informed  Immigration Agent "G W N"		
	56/00408		Immigration Agent, Sydney	Moreton Bay John Stephen Ferriter late Assistant Immigration Agent, Moreton Bay	1856 01 01	Enclosure referred to in Immigration Agent's letter to Colonial Secretary of 14th January 1856 No 56/20 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 2 <sup>nd</sup> 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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				"C D R"	1855 09 04~ 1855 09 07~ 1855 09 08~	increase, without any deduction being made therefrom for Quarters which he is occupying [No 246] Para 2: Captain Wickham's reply [Margin: 22 August 1855] is also enclosed [not filmed here] from which, as well as Mr Ferriter's explanation which it covers [Margin: 20 August 1855], it appears salary of Immigration Agent Moreton Bay was fixed at low rate £200 per annum with temporary increase due to his being permitted to occupy Quarters in Depot Para 3: Agent for Immigration for whose report he has referred the papers, also states it is his impression that arrangement entered into with Mr Ferriter was that he should be allowed to occupy Quarters adjoining Depot without any deduction being made from Temporary Gold Increase Para 4: Under circumstances requests he may be favoured with special authority for passing Mr Ferriter's claim without usual deduction & Notes in margin W V  Nothing in correspondence to show that Assistant Immigration Agent Moreton Bay was to be allowed Quarters without usual deduction Does not appear to be any special authority but impression of both Captain Wickham & Agent for Immigration is that appointment conferred upon Mr Ferriter & leave given to him to occupy building in Depot without any deduction being made from Gold Increase – vide 55/09569 & note upon it & Notes at top		
	55/06027			"W D" "C D R"	1855 09 12 1855 06 27 1855 06 28~ 1855 07 03	Auditor General [Ref 56/00408]  Notes  Mr Kemball has been Surgeon Superintendent & has now made 8 voyages to this Colony in that capacity – thought that he should be fit & proper person to replace Mr Ferriter whose resignation was received this day, as Assistant Agent for Immigration at Moreton Bay At top: "I have no objection"  Inform H H Browne accordingly  Government Resident Moreton Bay, Agent for Immigration, Auditor General	A2.35	041 – 042
	55/06027	1855 06 26	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Moreton Bay John Stephen Ferriter	1855 06 16 1855 06 27	At top: "Immigration Agent"  Letter tendering his resignation of appointment Assistant Immigration Agent Moreton Bay  Para 2: Making application in consequence of continued indisposition since January last, caught cold from exposure to rain for many hours while proceeding to Moreton Bay to inspect Immigrants who arrived in "William Miles" – has been under medical treatment, Dr Cameron having offered him Certificate & recommended he apply for leave of absence – fears his indisposition too far advanced that such indulgence would not benefit him & possibly might inconvenience Public Service &  Notes in margin 54/03620  Very well		043
	54/04900	1854 06 06	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1855 06 26 1854 06 05	Immigration Agent, Mr Ferriter [Ref 55/09569]  At top: "Agent for Immigration"  Returning letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay [Margin: 20 <sup>th</sup> April	A2.35	044 - 046

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				"C A F"	1854 06 07~ 1854 06 19 1854 06 30 1854 06 30~ 1854 07 15	1854] recommending appointment of J F Ferriter [as it is] as Local Immigration Agent Brisbane referred to him under Blank Cover 19 <sup>th</sup> ult – sees no objection to recommendations in that Officer's letter [No 54/153] Para 2: Suggests Mr Ferriter be styled Assistant Immigration Agent instead of that suggested by Capt Wickham, such being appointments held by Officers of Immigration Department at Geelong & Portland Bay in Victoria Para 3: As Mr Ferriter will be subordinate Officer of this Department, he should be instructed to make his communications direct to this Office & in all cases in which breach of Charter Party may have taken place, will be his duty to report matter fully to him for Governor General's decision before granting usual Certificate of Arrival & Notes in margin  Let Government Resident be furnished with copy of this letter for his information & guidance Government Resident Moreton Bay  Immigration Agent  Acting Auditor General - noted [Ref 55/06027] "G W N"		
	54/03620	1854 04 26	Hon CS	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident	1854 04 20	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Acknowledging receipt CS letter 6 <sup>th</sup> last February No 54/14 informing appointment of J S Ferriter to be Clerk to Local Immigration Board & Superintendent of Depot at Brisbane [No 54/75]: informs owing to great increase in duties which he has to perform, out of his power to give that attention to management of Depot which will be required when immigration to this Port again commences – suggests Mr Ferriter should be appointed Local Immigration Agent with salary £200 per annum from date of his appointment as Clerk which duties he should continue to perform & he should be immediately "in my stead" Member of Local Board – also suggests advances on account of Immigration to be paid to his credit & all accounts connected with Department be kept & typed by him "& if necessary approved by me"	A2.35	047 – 049 [pages out of order]
				"C D R" "C A F"	1854 04 26~ 1854 05 12~ 1854 05 19	Notes in margins [p 048 & 049] See within To await Governor's return Sees no objection to complying with suggestions provided Immigration Agent sees none – informed Capt Wickham to this effect "when I was at Brisbane" – thinks payment of fixed salary instead of present mode of remuneration will put Office in a more respectable & satisfactory footing & believes differences of expense will be very inconsiderable if any Referred for report of Agent for Immigration – blank cover – noted – to be returned "W V" Immigration		
				"C A F"	1854 01 30 1854 02 06	Superintendent of Depot at Brisbane, Acting Auditor General [Ref 54/03620]		050

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	56/00413	1856 01 14	Hon CS	Police Office, Ipswich Charles George Gray Police Magistrate  "J C W"	1856 01 05 1856 01 15~ 1856 01 15	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	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	1856 01 18 1856 01 01	Bench Ipswich  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~	At top: "Surveyor General" Letter re CS letter 28 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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	A2.35	055 – 056
	55/11082	1855 10 29	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney, Surveyor General	1856 01 31 1855 10 25	Surveyor General "H N"  At top: "Surveyor General" Letter retransmitting amended & for approval Design for proposed Village of Goodna returned to office by CS letter 13 <sup>th</sup> 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	A2.35	057 – 058
				Michael Fitzpatrick Clerk of the Council "W D"	[no date]  1855 11 10~ 1855 11 12 1855 11 28 1856 01 07	Noted M13072  Executive 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"		

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				"M F"	1856 01 08~ 1856 01 09	& Notes re above Surveyor General to report whether Plan forwarded to nearest Bench Surveyor General "End of month" [Ref 56/00433]		
				Executive Council Office, Sydney Michael Fitzpatrick Clerk of the Council	1855 09 05	At top: "M13072 – 6 <sup>th</sup> September 1855"  Proceedings of Executive Council 20 <sup>th</sup> August 1855 with respect to Design for Village to be called "Goodna" – Minute No 55/29 – confirmed 4 <sup>th</sup> September 1855  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		059 – 061
				"W D"	1855 09 05~ 1855 09 13	& Notes in margin Approved Surveyor General informed "End of October" [Ref 55/11082] noted		
	55/08570	1855 08 13	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell "H H"	1855 08 09 1855 08 13~ 1855 08 14~ 1855 08 13	At top: "Surveyor General"  Letter forwarding for approval design for proposed Village of Goodna in County of Stanley [No 55/670]  & Notes in margin For Executive Council Noted Blank cover Executive	A2.35	062
				"M F"	1855 08 20	55/234 – Omitted 15 <sup>th</sup> August 1855 "H H" Laid before Executive Council 20 <sup>th</sup> August 1855 – Min 55/29 [Ref M13072]		
	56/00450	1856 01 15	Hon CS	Revenue Branch, Treasury, Sydney for Colonial Treasurer Stephen Greenhill E W Hollinworth "J N"? "G N"  "M F" "E D T" "W D" "M F"	1856 01 14 1856 01 16~ 1856 01 17~ 1856 01 19 1856 01 22~ 1856 01 28~ 1856 01 31	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 22 <sup>nd</sup> inst should be postponed [No 56/44] & 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	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 <sup>th</sup> January 1856, No 44  Letter informing just received instructions re Land Sale to be held here Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> inst: in consequence of Circuit Court being held at Brisbane Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> 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"	1856 01 07 1856 01 16~ 1856 01 17~ 1856 01 17~	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 only 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	A2.35	067 – 068
	56/00581	1856 01 16	His Ex Sir Thomas William Denison, Governor General	"W D"  Post Office, Gayndah Robert A Parker	1856 01 21 1856 01 24 1855 12 31	Mr Strelitz  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	A2.35	069
				"M F" "W D"	1856 01 16~ 1856 01 17~ 1856 01 17~ 1856 01 21 1856 01 24	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		
	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 <sup>th</sup> 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" "J S"	1856 02 13 1856 02 19 1856 02 21~ 1856 02 22~	Note Transmitted to Auditor General – Blank Cover Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / NO 206-FE*14 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	A2.35	072 – 073
	56/00744	1856 01 22	Hon CS	Brisbane Robert Cribb	1856 01 15	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 &		074
				"W E"	1856 01 22 1856 01 23~	Notes in margin Immigration Agent – blank cover – to be returned Noted Immigration 56/435 – 24 January 1856		
				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		075
	56/00787	1856 01 21	Hon CS	Sydney M C O'Connell Government Resident  "W D"	1856 01 19 1856 01 23	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 <sup>th</sup> 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 &  Notes in margin  Very well	A2.35	076 – 077

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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] &	A2.35	078 – 079
				"C D R"	1855 09 24~	Notes in margin This leave may be granted - attacks are virulent & character of those who make them not the best		
				"W D"	1855 09 25	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		
					1855 09 27	required Government Resident [Ref 56/00787]		
						ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE STATE OF THE ABORIGINES p 080 - 165		
	56/00800			"M F"	1856 05 09~	Note Annual Reports on the State of the Aborigines 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 "M F"	1856 01 22 1856 01 25~ 1856 05 09~	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] M F All Returns received copied in duplicate & submitted		082
	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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				"G B"	1856 01 12~ 1856 01 16~	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		
	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Crown Lands Office, Murrumbidgee District Charles George Norman Lockhart Commissioner of Crown Lands "8 – GB"	1856 01 01 1856 01 09~ 1856 01 09~ 1856 01 16~	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 on this subject as soon as received Keep with others		085 - 088
	56/00800			Crown Commissioners Office, Binalong	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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				Edgar Beckham, Commissioner of Crown Lands		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 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reserves appointed by Government for especial use of Aborigines in this District remain in same state as when first marked out 3 <sup>nd</sup> 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  4 <sup>th</sup> 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  5 <sup>th</sup> 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  6 <sup>th</sup> Aborigines of this District ar		
	56/00800			Crown Commissioner's Office, Moorna, Albert District G M Perry	1855 11 12	At top: "5/" "55/5471 – 22 December 1855"  Commissioner Perry's Report on State of Aborigines inhabiting Albert  District for 1855  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		093 - 098

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					1855 11 16~	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 & Note in margin — Keep with others		
				Yamba, N S W E M McKinlay, L Q M P	1855 10 00~	Medical Report 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		099 – 101

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						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"		
	56/00800			Crown Lands Office, Molong, Wellington H Whitty Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 01 02	At top: "6/" "56/286" "12 – GB"  Annual Report on the Aborigines in the District of Wellington – 2nd January 1856  Having arrived so late in year as 13th 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
				Crown Lands Office, Molong, Wellington H Whitty Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 01 01	Annual Report on Reserves set apart for the use of the Aborigines in the District of Wellington – 1 <sup>st</sup> January 1856 [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"  Annual Report on the Aborigines of District of Bligh by John Anderson  Robertson Commissioner of Crown Lands for that District  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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						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		
	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Crown Lands Office, Liverpool Plains Henry Chester Master Commissioner of Crown Lands "16 – GB"	1856 01 09	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		109 – 111, 113
				Henry Chester Master Commissioner of Crown Lands		At top: "56/441" [Pinned to & obscuring top half of p 112] [TABLE] [No of Tribes / No in each Tribe / Reserves / Clothing & Food Issued at each Reserve] 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		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	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		114 – 118

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					1856 01 12~ 1856 01 16~	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  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  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 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 feel they have interest in soil they cultivate  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  7 In conclusion, has been less sickness than usual amongst Aborigines of District inadequate to meet demands  Also at top: "10/" "56/283 – 12 January 1856"  & Notes in margin  For Blue Book  Acknowledge receipt  En "C D M"?  Keep with others		
	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	Crown Lands Office, Clarence River Oliver Fry "14 – G B"	1856 01 10	At top: "11/" "Commissioner of Crown Lands Clarence River" 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] Para 2: Glad to state epidemic which raged among them with such prevalence & fatality during 1854 has entirely disappeared 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 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 Also at top: "56/304 – 14 January 1856" & Note in margin – For Blue Book		119 – 120
	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Crown Lands Office, Woogaroo S Simpson,	1855 12 31	At top: "12/" "56/307 – 14 January 1856" Report on the State of the Aborigines of the Moreton & Darling Downs		121

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				Commissioner for Crown Lands "Jan <sup>y</sup> 14/56"		Districts for year ending 31 December 1856 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		
	56/00800		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	Commissioners Office, Tinana Arthur E Halloran, Commissioner for Crown Lands	1855 12 28	At top: "13/" "District of Wide Bay and Burnett"  Annual Report on the State of the Aborigines in the District of Wide Bay & Burnett for the year 1855 "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 5 <sup>th</sup> 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 & material		122 – 128

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						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		
						[LIST] [part obscured at top]  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		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 <sup>th</sup> 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
				"M F"	1856 03 23 1856 03 25~ 1856 03 27~ 1856 03 31~	Notes re above Are there any Returns, Reports or Papers for Secretary of State which have not yet been furnished? Urgent Some of the Aboriginal Reports have not yet been sent in Remind Colonel Barney		132
	56/01098	1856 02 04	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 01 31 1856 02 04~ 1856 05 09~	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" Letter in reply to CS letter 18 <sup>th</sup> inst: refers him to his communication of 22 <sup>nd</sup> inst [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 <sup>th</sup> November last, calling for these Reports by 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>nd</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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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REF NO	NO	RECD		PROM	DOCUMENT	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] or 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 Goganzo 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.  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 und	REEL	PAGE
						presents & gives them blankets – such conduct they attribute to fear, not to Justice or benevolence. Strict retaliation in killing any member of the tribes,		

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					1856 01 29~	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 purc		
			Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Crown Lands Office, Sydney	Rannes, Leichhardt W H Wiseman, Commissioner of Crown Lands "29 – G B"	1856 01 05	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"		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 positive proof 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" Return of Aboriginal Natives in District of Gwydir showing Estimated Number of Individuals in each Tribe according to best information now procurable [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 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" 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  No / Name of Reserve 1/ Gooar 2/ Boobera Lagoon 3/ Turemboul 4/ Tarilari		149
						Actual use made of the land – Nos 1-4 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 Resort by Natives – Nos 1-4 In the absence of special inducement there is of course no special Resort by the Natives to any of these Reserves at present Food etc distributed – Nos 1-4 Nil		
						Remarks – Nos 1-4 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		
	56/01781	1856 02 23	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 02 18 1856 02 25~ 1856 05 09~	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 <sup>th</sup> November last) [No 56/67] *being all he has received since transmission of those forwarded in his letter of 31 <sup>st</sup> 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 01 29	At top: "Commissioner Cole"  Acknowledging receipt of his letter of 20 <sup>th</sup> 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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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	REF NO	NO RECD		PROW	DOCUMENT	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 5 ln 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 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 7. Annual or more ex	REEL	PAGE

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	55/04704		Chief Commissions	"O M"	1856 02 16~	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  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 taken place  11 In conclusion remarks it will be his most anxious endeavour to foster & encourage friendly feeling at present existing between the 2 races  Also at top: "56/1345 – 15 Feb 1856" "4/"		450, 465
	56/01781		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	Crown Lands Office, Surat Henry Boyle, Commissioner of Crown Lands "Feb 12 – G B"	1856 01 01	At top: "Commissioner at Maranoa"  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		159 - 165

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						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 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 usfeels 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 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 doub		
	56/00813	1856 01 21	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1856 01 19	At top: "Agent for Immigration"  Transmitting report [see p 507-523] received from Local Immigration Board Moreton Bay [2 <sup>nd</sup> 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]  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 —	A2.35	166 – 170

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				"W D"	1856 03 24 1856 03 28 1856 03 24	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 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 &  Notes in margin [some illegible notes here]  Immigration 56/432 This paper was put with others& does not appear to have been decided on See 56/00803 [very faint] Recommendations in 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> paras may perhaps be communicated to Colonial Land & Immigration Commissioners [as it is] [contd p 167] Yes & Master to be informed 56/00803 [crossed out ] Noted "G W N" Immigration Agent "On 15 <sup>th</sup> April" 56/00803  [p 167] Gratuity to Surgeon has already been authorised – Agent for Immigration should perhaps inform Master of decision with reference to his		
	56/00820	1856 01 25	Hon CS	Audit Office, Sydney John Stirling  "W E"	1856 01 24 1856 01 28~	letter enclosed in 56/01045  At top: "Auditor General" Submitting application forwarded to him by Government Resident Port Curtis [Margin: 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 1856] for £600 to enable him to pay wages of men employed in construction of Dam at that Settlement [No 23] 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 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 & Notes in margin What is reserved balance of Territorial Revenue & for what purpose was it reserved? – blank cover – to be returned Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE–NEW SOUTH WALES / No 131-JA*29	A2.35	171 – 173
				"J S"	1856 01 29 1856 01 31	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 23 <sup>rd</sup> November £50,194-15-7 & on 23 <sup>rd</sup> inst reduced to £37,813-13-2~ - blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office &		

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					1856 03 06~	Notes re above Not aware whether statement has been received – See 56/01382		
	56/00820		Acting Auditor General	Sydney M C O'Connell, Government Resident	1856 01 22	[PRINTED APPLICATION LETTER] At top: "Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 151-JA*22" Letter requesting Advance Warrant be prepared to his favour for £600 to enable him to pay wages of men employed in construction of Dam at Port Curtis & that same be placed to credit of his Public Advance Account in Bank of Australasia – will furnish within 14 days after expiration of this & of each successive Quarter, until amount aforesaid has been expended & accounted for in full or repaid to Treasury, a Quarterly Account Current, supported by Vouchers as respect payments for which credit may be taken – further engages to repay into Treasury the then unexpended Balance in hand & Note in margin – Query Funds being chargeable to Loans Application		174
				"W D"	1856 02 02	Notes re above Money may be advanced, but I want to have from Auditor an account of mode in which they proposed to dispose of the £760,000 which it is		175
					1856 02 02~ 1856 02 02 1856 03 03~	proposed to raise through Bank of New South Wales Immediate Auditor General "On 15 <sup>th</sup> February" - resubmitted		
	56/00837	1856 01 23	Hon E Deas Thompson [as it is] Colonial Secretary	Her Majesty's Ship "Juno" at Sydney Stephen Fremantle, Captain & Senior Officer in Australia	1856 01 22	At top: "Capt Fremantle R N" Enclosing letter received from Acting Lieutenant Dobbin [Margin: 19 January 1856] commanding Her Majesty's Steam Tender "Torch" requesting remuneration for Petty Officers & Ships' Company of "Juno" now doing duty on board that vessel, for the 33 days she was employed in going to Port Curtis – calls to attention 5 <sup>th</sup> para "of my letter" of 5 April 1855 presented with other papers to Legislative Council by His Excellency's Message No 23 "wherein I recommended emoluments of all on board ostensibly engaged in same vocation should be equalized" As sum has been voted to provide for expenditure of "Torch" & as Legislative Council published above letter referred to, demand appears to be reasonable & natural – requests it be given favourable consideration Also at top: "Further respecting remuneration to Officers & men of "Juno" employed on the "Torch" on her trip to Port Curtis with flour" & Notes in margin 56/00420	A2.35	176 – 177
				"W E"	1856 01 23 1856 01 24~	Auditor General – blank cover - to be returned Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 113-JA*24		
				"J S"	1856 02 04 1856 02 05~ 1856 02 05~	This expense might be defrayed out of balance of Vote for 1855 for Steam Boat "Torch" which will be amply sufficient for the purpose - blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office For approval		
				"W D"	1856 02 05~ 1856 02 06 1856 02 11	Have no objection – what has been done under my former Minute of 28 January Capt Fremantle, Auditor General		

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						Notes [written across p 176] Never were given the amount to be paid according to the Admiral's Regulations~ [very difficult to read]		
	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	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 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>nd</sup> 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 <i>"Fantome"</i> [also spelt <i>"Phantome"</i> ] 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 &	A2.35	184
				"W E" "E J"?	1856 01 15 1856 01 16~	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		
				"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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				"E D T"	1856 01 18~ 1856 01 18~	blank cover     Returned Colonial Secretary's Office     See 55/09471 - arrangement referred to was perhaps a verbal one as there is not any Minute for it		
				"W D"	1856 01 18	Arrangement was that men to be paid according to Admiralty Regulations on being employed upon a duty altogether extra Immediate		
					1856 01 18	Capt Gennys, Auditor General [Ref 56/00837]		
			His Excellency Sir William Denison Knt	E Deas Thomson	1856 01 08	At top: "56/00837 "56/429"  Letter informing as Capt Gennys to sail tomorrow, refers him to enclosed for special decision		186
	55/09471	1855 09 04	Hon CS	Her Majesty's Sloop "Fantome" Port Jackson J H Gennys, Commander	1855 09 03	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	A2.35	187
				"C D R" "W D"	1855 09 04~ 1855 09 08	For Governor General "Torch" will clear the heads? before dark Satisfactory – thank Capt Gennys Capt Gennyss [as it is] [Ref 56/00420]		
	55/09471		C B Dobbin, Acting Mate Commanding H M Steam Tender "Torch"	H M Sloop "Fantome" Port Jackson, N S Wales J H Gennys, Commander & Senior Officer present	1855 09 01	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		188 – 190
	56/00850	1856 01 25	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney Surveyor General "H H"	1856 01 24	At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting Schedules & Descriptions of portions of Crown Lands for proclamation & sale in Sydney [No 56/61] & Notes in margin	A2.35	191
				"M F"	1856 01 25~ 1856 01 28~ 1856 01 29~	M F Not aware of any objection To be acted on "Mr M" "W M"?		

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						Notes re above Proclaimed 13 <sup>th</sup> February for sale in Sydney – Sydney Lots on 26 <sup>th</sup> March 1856, Port Curtis Lots on 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 1856 - Descriptions sent to Colonial Treasury - Abbreviated Lots at Sydney proclaimed 16 <sup>th</sup> February for sale 27 <sup>th</sup> March 1856		192
						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/ - / - / 1st 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 <sup>th</sup> June 1855, & again 17 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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 1855 10 19~	At top: "Colonial Treasurer"  Letter reporting in consequence of non-attendance of Public, Lands at Port Curtis proclaimed to be sold in Sydney 17 <sup>th</sup> October 1855 not offered for sale [No 428]  & Notes in margin Entd 1.BC.P – Rec'd 26 October 1855 Read	A2.35	200
				"M F"	1855 10 19~ 1855 10 19~ 1855 10 20~	M F Surveyor General to be requested to have lands again brought to sale on		

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				"C D R"	1855 10 23~	an early date Yes		
				W Elyard for the CS	1855 10 24	Notes re above Referred to Surveyor General for within named purpose accordingly - blank cover – to be returned		201
				"M F"	1855 10 24~	Noted [Ref 56/00850]		
	56/00850					[PRINTED FORMS] 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 noted here] Town Lots: Village of Coogee Allotments 1-20 / Section No 8 / The Crown/ No remarks Allotments 1-20 / Section No 9 / The Crown/ No remarks	A2.35	202 - 204
	56/00852	1856 01 25	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney Surveyor General "H H"	1856 01 24 1856 01 25~ 1856 01 28~ 1856 01 28~	At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting Abbreviated Schedules of Town & Suburban Lands for reproclamation & sale at places mentioned in annexed list at such time as Governor General directs [No 56/62] Para 2: Lands are situated in "Remote Districts" & not being within 50 miles of each other, can be offered for sale on same day & Notes in margin M F Not aware of any objection Proclamation to be prepared	A2.35	205
						Note re above – Re-proclaimed 13 <sup>th</sup> February for sale on 14 <sup>th</sup> April 1856		206
						Abstract [Place of Sale / Suburban Lots / Town Lots] Armidale Police Office / - / 25 Balranald Police Office / - / 49 Deniliquin Police Office / 6 / 48 Gayndah Police Office / 2 / 29		207
	55/12284	1855 12 08	Hon CS	Revenue Branch, Colonial Treasury, Sydney Francis L S Merewether "J N" "G N"?	1855 12 05 1855 12 08~	At top: "Colonial Treasurer"  Letter reporting sale of land proclaimed on 8 <sup>th</sup> October 1855 to take place at Deniliquin on 15 <sup>th</sup> ult was not proceeded with in consequence of no offer having been made for any Lots by public in attendance [No 55/552]  Para 2: Copy of letter received from Bench of Magistrates on subject enclosed herewith  Also at top: "Entd 1.BC.D – rec'd 13 December 1855"  & Notes in margin  M F	A2.35	208 – 209 [p 209 duplicated]
				"M F" W Elyard for the CS "M F"	1855 12 08~ 1855 12 10~ 1855 12 11 1855 12 13~	To be forwarded for information of Surveyor General Surveyor General - blank cover Noted & Notes re above [very difficult to read] Mr Adam – Surveyor General's mem on the other side – are these		

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				"J S A"?	1855 12 18~	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		
				"J S A"?	1855 12 19~ 1855 12 22~	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 5 <sup>th</sup> 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		
				"J S AF"?	1855 12 22~ 1855 12 27~	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 15 <sup>th</sup> November (which the day of sale in this case) but the responsibility lies with them		
	55/12284		Hon Colonial Treasurer, Sydney	Police Office, Deniliquin Henry Shiell Clerk of Petty Sessions	1855 11 17	Enclosure in Colonial Treasurer's letter of 5 <sup>th</sup> December 1855 – No 552 Letter informing Land advertised [Margin: proclaimed] for sale at North Deniliquin by proclamation of 8 <sup>th</sup> ult, on 15 <sup>th</sup> 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		210
	56/00852					[PRINTED FORMS] Remote District (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 Fitzroy – Town of Gayndah Lots 1-10 / Allotments 10-17, 19-20 / Section 19 / 9 <sup>th</sup> February 1855 / Lots 21-18, 30-31 Lots 11-29 / Allotments 1-19 / Section 20 / 9 <sup>th</sup> February 1855 / Lots 32-50 Suburban Lots Fitzroy – Eastern Suburbs of Gayndah Lots 30-31 / Allotments 6-7 / Section 5 / 5 <sup>th</sup> February 1855 / Lots 54-55	A2.35	211 – 212 [2 x p 211]
	56/00852					[PRINTED FORMS] Remote District (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 Unnamed - North Deniliquin Lots 1-20 / Allotments 1-20 / Section 71 / 15 <sup>th</sup> November 1855 / Lots 1-20 Lots 21-27/ Allotments 2-5,16-18/ Section 72 / 15 <sup>th</sup> November 1855 /		213 – 216

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	56/00852					[PRINTED FORMS] Remote District (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for Sale at Police Office, Balranald [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 Unnamed – Town of Balranald at Caiera, Lower Darling Lots 1-8 / Allotments 1-6, 9-10 / Section 13 / 12 <sup>th</sup> October 1855 / Lots 16-23 Lots 9-24 / Allotments 1-5,10-20 / Section 14 / 12 <sup>th</sup> October 1855 / Lots 24-39 Unnamed - Village of Euston at Nowong, Lower Darling Lots 25-34 / Allotments 1-9, 20 / Section 6 / 12 <sup>th</sup> October 1855 / Lots 40-49 Lots 35-39 / Allotments 1-5 / Section 7 / 12 <sup>th</sup> October 1855 / Lots 50-54 Lots 40-49 / Allotments 10-19 / Section 12 / 12 <sup>th</sup> October 1855 / Lots 55-64		217 – 220
	56/00852					[PRINTED FORMS] Remote District (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for Sale at Police Office, Armidale [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 Vernon – Town of Walcha Lot 1 / Allotment 18 / Section 3 / 14 <sup>th</sup> May 1855 / Lot 2 Lot 2 / Allotment 2 / Section 5 / 14 <sup>th</sup> May 1855 / Lot 8 Lot 3 / Allotment 5 / Section 5 / 14 <sup>th</sup> May 1855 / Lot 11 Lots 4-7 / Allotments 1-4 / Section 42 / 14 <sup>th</sup> May 1855 / Lots 35-38 Inglis – Town of Bendemere Lots 8-16 / Allotments 1-2,6-7,12,17-20 / Section 16 / 18 <sup>th</sup> June 1855 / Lots 19-20,24-26, 31-34 Lots 17-19 / Allotments 2,3,10/ Section 41/ 18 <sup>th</sup> June 1855 / Lots 36,37,44 Sandon – Town of Armidale		221 – 223

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	56/00876	1856 01 29	Hon CS	Commissioners Office, Tinana Arthur E Halloran	1856 01 17	At top: "Commissioner of Crown Lands & Police Magistrate – District of Wide Bay and Burnett" Letter offering observations on letter addressed to CS by William Henry Walsh 2 <sup>nd</sup> inst reflecting "on my conduct as Police Magistrate of this District" [No 56/6] 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 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 Para 4: Circumstance alluded to by Mr Walsh as to his allowing drinking on Gayndah racecourse is simply this: On 19 <sup>th</sup> 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 8 <sup>th</sup> 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 autho		224 – 233

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						journey of about 170 miles necessary to visit him at this own quarters 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.  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  Para 8: Adds he has be		
				William Henry Walsh, Overseer	1855 12 29	"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"		234
	56/00880	1856 01 29	Hon CS	Police Office, Maryborough Arthur E Halloran Police Magistrate	1856 01 17	At top: "Police Magistrate Maryborough" "31/" Acknowledging receipt of CS Circular No 166 of 28 <sup>th</sup> ult enclosing Notices of Census Act 19 <sup>th</sup> Vict No 5 for purpose of being affixed to Court House & other conspicuous places in this portion of District of Wide Bay & Burnett	A2.35	235 – 236

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						[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 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>st</sup> of March next Para 3: Thinks 150 copies of Form A annexed to Act will be sufficient for this portion of Country &	A2.35	238 – 239
	56/00884	1856 01 29	Hon CS	"M F" Court House, Drayton T De Lacy Moffatt JP for the Bench	1856 01 29~ 1856 01 16 1856 01 29~	Note in margin – 250 have been promised  At top: "Bench of Magistrates Drayton" "17/"  Letter informing re CS Circular letter of 28 <sup>th</sup> 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	1856 01 29	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney Surveyor General "H H"	1856 01 24 1856 01 30~ 1856 01 30~ 1856 01 31~	At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting Abbreviated Schedule of Town & Suburban Lands for Reproclamation & 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"?	A2.35	242
						Notes re above Re-proclaimed 9 <sup>th</sup> February for sale at Brisbane, Moreton Bay on 18 <sup>th</sup> March 1856		243
	56/00908					[PRINTED FORMS] (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for Sale at Police Office, Brisbane		244 – 246

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						[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] Town Lots Stanley – Brisbane Lots 41-43 / Allotments 1-3 / Section 21 / 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 1855 / Lots 1-3 Lots 44-49 / Allotments 7,10,14-17/ 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 1855 / Lots 13,15,19-22 Lot 50 / Allotment 13 / Section 7/ 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 1855 / Lot 35 Lots 51-65 / Allotments 3-7,10-20 / 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 1855 / Lots 38-52 Lot 66 / Allotment 20 / Section 15/ 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 1855 / Lot 53 Suburban Lots Stanley – Parish of South Brisbane Lot 67 / Allotment 77 / 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 1855 / Lot 56 Lot 68 / Allotment 81 / 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 1855 / Lot 58		
	56/00982	1856 01 31	His Ex Sir William Thomas Denison, Governor General	Joseph Whalin  "W E"  "M F"	1856 01 30~ 1856 02 06 1856 02 07~ 1856 02 06	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 22 <sup>nd</sup> 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]	A2.35	247 – 248
				George Barney Surveyor General's Office  "O M"  "M F" "E D T" "W D"	1856 02 18 1856 02 20~ 1856 02 14~ 1856 02 21~ 1856 02 22~ 1856 02 25 1856 02 27~	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 Surveyor General, Joseph Whelan [as it is]		249
	56/00993	1856 01 28	Hon Colonial Treasurer	Dalby Police Office Joshua P Bell JP for the Bench	1856 01 12	At top: "Bench of Magistrates Dalby" "15/" Letter stating in answer to CS Circular No 166 dated 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1855, that 500 copies of Form A for Census Returns will be required for this District &	A2.35	250

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				"M F"	1856 01 28~ 1856 01 30	Notes in margin Cannot possibly conceive how so many will be wanted – there surely are not 500 houses in District – as it is too long however to wait their answer, I say that Forms asked for will be sent "M N" Bench Dalby		
	56/01013	1856 01 28	Hon CS	South Brisbane Moses Walmsley  "Mr M" "W M"?	1856 01 22 1856 02 01~ 1856 02 02~ 1856 02 04~ 1856 04 00~	Letter requesting completion of Deed relating to Western Suburban Allotment No 62 Parish of South Brisbane containing 3a 0r 24p sold at Brisbane 16 <sup>th</sup> January 1855 as Lot 26 be expedited & forwarded to Colonial Treasurer without delay to enable him to complete arrangements & Notes re above For report This Deed will be submitted or signature today Bring forward for record – Inform Informed Mr Walmsley	A2.35	251
					1856 04 05 1856 04 14~ 1856 04 26 1856 04 28	[Cover] To the Honourable/ The Colonial Secretary/ Sydney [postmarked: SYDNEY-NEW S.WALES / JA*2-] [part obscured] [Small square cut from letter – to remove postage stamp?] & Notes re above These Deeds have now been recorded & sent on to Supreme Court – have they been forwarded to Survey Office Sent on 9 <sup>th</sup> April~ [obscured] Sent to Treasury Inform him that this Deed has now been forwarded to Treasury for delivery Mr Walmsley		252
	56/01023	1856 01 28	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 01 21 1856 02 14~ 1856 01 30~	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Letter re his letter to CS 3 <sup>rd</sup> December No 55/303 informing arrival of Immigrant ship "Sabrina" & necessity of placing her in Quarantine – having received report of Health Officer was enabled to release "Sabrina" from Quarantine 10 <sup>th</sup> inst & immigrants since brought to Brisbane & received into Depot [No 56/45] & Notes in margin 55/12308   Immigration Agent Read	A2.35	253
	56/01045	1856 01 31	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1856 01 29 1856 02 01~	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Returning letter from Master of Immigrant ship "Fortune" [Margin: 14 January 1856] re investigation held by Local Immigration Board Moreton Bay into irregularities which occurred on board his vessel during passage out, referred to him under CS Blank Cover 22 <sup>nd</sup> inst - has forwarded copy of Mr Sanford's communication [also spelt Sandford] to Assistant Immigration Agent there for any remarks he may wish to offer – as soon as received reply, will communicate with CS [No 56/45] Also at top: "56/00803" & Notes in margin For information see Minute on 56/00803 – to be brought forward with the	A2.35	254 – 256

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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	At top: "J Sanford, Commander Ship "Fortune" 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 "Fortune" & 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 Circumstances as they arose during Investigation before Immigration Commissioners in Brisbane are as follows:  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  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 8" January, Dr Kemball informed him that all Gratuities to Officers of Ship "Fortune" were stopped for in presence of Mr Buckley, Dr Kembal	A2.35	257 – 260
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						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		
				"W D"	1856 01 19~	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		
				"W E"	1856 01 22 1856 01 26~	Blank Cover – to be returned with 56/00813  Noted  Immigration  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	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	A2.35	261 - 263
				"M F" "W D"	1856 01 31~ 1856 01 31~ 1856 02 01~ 1856 02 02 1856 02 05	M F Presume this woman may now be set at liberty E D T Yes Sheriff, Inspector General		
	55/10526			Alfred Stephen	1855 10 19~	[Opinion] Notwithstanding numerous signatures to this Petition, got up at no small expense, & result doubtless of extensive solicitation, cannot recommend more than a small mitigation in prisoner's case – probably from 10 to 8 months – believes Mrs Clune's character is what is said of it but her attack on Prosecutor was quite of a ferocious character. She beat him over the head with a pewter jug as he lay helpless on the ground, till his head, face, neck & breast were covered with blood &	A2.35	264
					1855 10 23~	Note re above – Returned Colonial Secretary's Office  Notes re above		265
				"W D"	1855 10 24 1855 10 26~	Prisoner's conduct to be reported when she has been 8 months in prison Chief Justice, Revd W McGinty, Sheriff To be brought forward early in January next		200
				"M F" "C D R"	1856 01 07~ 1856 01 09~ 1856 01 10~	Resubmitted' Shall Sheriff be asked for requested report Yes		

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					1856 01 25	Notes re above Sheriff "End of month"		266
				Ipswich John Panton JP	1855 09 12	[Testimonials] Certifies Mrs Clune has been known to me for last four years, is wife of an Innkeeper here, during which period she appeared to me most respectable in her station until the case for which she has been imprisoned. I never heard anything to her prejudice & under circumstances I most respectfully recommend her to favourable consideration of Governor General		267
				George Faircloth, Manager Bank of Australasia	[no date]	I have known Mrs Clune during my residence in Ipswich, & can bear testimony to facts as stated by Mr Panton & join in respectfully recommending Mrs Clune to merciful consideration of His Excellency		
				Henry Challinor M R C S England	[no date]	I have been attending Mrs Jane Clune in my professional capacity since January 1850 – till quarrel between William Harmant Collard [see also William Harman Collard, William Harmand Collard] & her husband she always appeared to me very peaceable & well conducted individual - therefore recommends her to merciful consideration of His Excellency		
				Frederick Cumming MD University of Edinburgh	[no date]	My knowledge of Mrs Clune is unfortunately confined to offence for which she is now in durance, but can join in testimony given above to her previous good character & join in recommending her to merciful consideration of His Excellency the Governor General		
						Signatories [contd from p 271] [to following Petition] p 268: Arthur McGorry, Thomas Hinds, Peter Gibbons, Richard Harvey, William Coleman, R P Whitehouse, Joseph Maine? John Barnek [Barnes?] John Sullivan, Richard Lovel [see also Lovell], Henry Newton, W Thompson, W Foster, John P Nahar, Godfry O'Rorke [see also Godfrey O'Rourke], Margaret McLean – Steam Packet Hotel, Michael Connor, Charles Endersby, Benjamin Hartley, Henry Adams, John Yule, James Hannah, William McKinnon? H Hooper, W Levin? [Sevin?] S T Rhennan? John Wright, James Prior, Richard S Watson, Michael Sheanalan? [Shannahan?] John Fitzgerl? Williamson Munro Smith, Henry Kilner, A Sidney Lyon, Thomas Deacon p [269]: John Stafford, Richard Thomas, John Slack – Cabinet Maker, John Perry – Carpenter, William Ramsbotham, Henry Hewitt, Thomas Given, Watch Maker, Richard England – Storekeeper, William Gates, Thomas Brett, James Kingsford, Thomas James Elliott, John Durday? Charles Biggers, Peter Dwyer, James Kelly, Martin Colohin [Colohan? – his mark] Patrick Donnegan? [his mark], Michael Loughlin [his mark], John McNish MD, Jacob James, William Stuart, Peter Connell, Donald Cameron, Donald Davidson, John Thomson, Daniel Collins, John Murphy, George Ross, John Kilner? William Luke? J Walsh, Richard Wright, Thomas Stanly [also spelt Stanley]		268 – [275] [pages are out of order - those not numbered noted in brackets]
	55/10526	1855 10 09	His Excellency William Thomas Denison Governor General			p [274-275]: At top: "Inhabitants of Ipswich" Humble Petition of undersigned Inhabitants of Ipswich: Memorialists wish to apprise Governor General with earnest appeal in favour of Jane Clune, who with her husband John Clune was at Circuit Court Brisbane in May		

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				"C R"	1855 10 08 1855 10 09~ 1855 10 10	last, before Chief Justice, convicted of cutting & wounding William Harman Collard [as it is] but without any felonious intent & sentenced to 10 months imprisonment in Woolloomooloo Jail [as it is] with hard labour That Memorialists have no wish & it is not their intention to justify even for a moment the rash & inconsiderate act of which Jane Clune was convicted, but they feel in approaching His Excellency to urge circumstances which they trust may be considered of some importance in soliciting at His Excellency's hands mitigation of punishment to which Jane Clune was sentenced That Jane Clune & her husband John Clune had for a number of years kept & conducted one of the first Licensed Public Houses in Ipswich, management of which to a great extent was dependent upon Jane Clune who, for her station in life was a person of good education, of exemplary habits & generally esteemed That without desiring to enter into detail of circumstances which involved Jane Clune in her present [contd on p 272] & Notes at top [p 274] Colonial Secretary for Judges Report MF Chief Justice p [272]: position Your Memorialists would observe that evidence as disclosed on her Trial showed that her husband, a person of hasty temperament when, under influence of liquor having, on the occasion of the occurrence out of which that Trial arose, been intoxicated & engaged in angry altercation with William Harmand Collard not to take any notice of John Clune & even to leave the House, which William Harmand Collard promised he would do, but which he did not: that William Harmand Collard promised he would do, but which he did not: that William Harmand Collard promised he would do, but which he did not: that William Harmand Collard promised he would do, but which he did not: that William Harmand Collard promised he would a person of having the premises waited until John Clune got outside to him, when altercation was renewed & blows struck between them, Jane Clune actuated by anxiety for her husband, & disappointed, perhaps annoyed at pertinacity		

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				W McGinty R C Pastor etc etc	1855 09 13	Clune, still incompleted, & discharge her from prison or give such other relief as Your Excellency shall seem meet [Testimonial] Having known Mrs Clune for upwards of last 3 years & knowing of my own certain knowledge that her character during that period was unexceptionably good – that previous to inconsiderate act for which she is now imprisoned (& which I believe she committed solely in defence of her husband) she was even a model to others in her station, I heartily join in prayer of above Memorial & most respectfully recommend Mrs Clune to the merciful consideration of His Excellency the Governor General  Signatories p [271 – Ih col]: A Macalister – Solicitor, Ipswich [across both columns], E B Cullen, R Gill, F A Forbes, James Bailie, Walter Gray, Christopher Gorry, Patrick O'Sullivan, William Lambie Nelson, James England, John Balsillie [also spelt Balsilly], Revd John Mosely, James Fletcher, Henry M Cockburn, James McDermott p [271 – rh col]: George Frosland junr, Edward Griffith – Independent Minister, John Hanran, John James Hartley, P P Anderson, John Titmarsh, Charles Watkins, John Gordon, Thomas Givens? [Gorman?], George H Wilson & Co, John Smith, Thomas H Jones, James McIntosh, Charles Wheeler,Gill? [contd p 268-[269]		
	56/01084	1856 02 04	Hon CS	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne, Agent for Immigration	1856 02 01 1856 02 04~ 1856 02 19	[PRINTED FORM LETTER] At top: "Agent for Immigration" Letter notifying issue of Certificate in favour of Catherine & Ellen McDonald - refers to CS letter 10 <sup>th</sup> ult No 9, conveying His Excellency's approval of relaxation of Remittance Regulations in favour of individuals named in margin: Catherine McDonald, Ellen McDonald [No 56/58] & Notes in margin W V Emigration Commissioners (in dup)	A2.35	276
	55/12689	1855 12 22	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne  "C D R" "W D"	1855 12 21 1855 12 24~ 1855 12 24~ 1856 01 10	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Returning letter from Police Magistrate Ipswich [Margin: 26 November 1855] applying for relaxation of Remittance Regulations in favour of Catherine McDonald & Ellen McDonald referred to him (ref CS Blank Cover 13 <sup>th</sup> inst): states contrary to Regulations to allow persons of such tender age to emigrate unless accompanied by one or other of their parents on the passage - as these children are orphans & Police Magistrate having recommended them for favourable consideration, proposes relaxation of Regulations in their favour upon usual payment being made in Treasury for their passages [No 55/655] Also at top: "Catherine & Ellen McDonald both under the age of 18 years" "55/12320" & Notes in margin May be approved  Immigration Agent "On 1 <sup>st</sup> February" [Ref 56/01084] "G W N" Noted	A2.35	277 – 279
				Charles George Gray Police Magistrate		[last page only of this letter here] under Immigration Remittance Regulations to be granted to the parties		280

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						[Margin: Catherine McDonald, Ellen McDonald / Name of Depositor: John Hoyle] who are 2 young females under the age of 18 whose father & mother do not reside here & who are coming out by themselves		
	56/01110	1856 02 04	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 01 28	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay"  Letter to inform arrival on 24 <sup>th</sup> inst of Immigrant ship "James Fernie" - on board 413 Government Immigrants reputed by proper officer to be in healthy state [No 56/56]  & Notes in margin	A2.35	281
				"W E"	1856 02 08 1856 02 05~ 1856 02 06	Read For information Agent for Immigration – blank cover – noted		
				VVL	1030 02 00	Immigration 56/740 – 7 February 1856		
				H H Browne	1856 02 08 1856 02 09~	Read & returned – blank cover  Noted  Peturned Colonial Scoretor 'o Office "But by"		
	56/01112	1856 02 04	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 02 09~ 1856 01 28	Returned Colonial Secretary's Office "Put by"  At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Letter informing one of the horses bearing Sydney mail from Brisbane to Ipswich broke away from man in charge 21 <sup>st</sup> inst & mail has not been found [No 56/57] Para 2: Upon circumstances reported to him, he sent 2 mounted Police Constables from Brisbane & they remained out 3 days in search of missing mail, search fruitless – has offered reward £10 for its recovery & trusts step he has taken will be sanctioned &	A2.35	282 – 283
				"W E"	1856 02 04 1856 02 05~	Notes in margin Auditor General with respect to funds – blank cover – to be returned Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 169-FE*5 [part obscured]		
				"J S" "W D"	1856 02 05 1856 02 06~ 1856 02 06~ 1856 02 07	Expense might be charged to Vote for Conveyance of Mails – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office For approval – Postmaster General to be informed		
	56/01114	1856 02 04	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 02 18 1856 01 29 1856 02 04~ 1856 02 05~	Government Resident, Postmaster General  At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Acknowledges receipt of CS letter 22 <sup>nd</sup> inst No 56/305 with reference to charge of assault preferred by Revd W K Piddington [see also William J K Piddington] against 2 Constables of Brisbane Police Force & instructing him to refer matter to Bench of Magistrates Brisbane for decision [No 56/64] Para 2: Having conveyed your communication to Bench of Magistrates they have this day assembled in Petty Sessions & decided Constables are not fit persons to remain in Police Force & they are dismissed accordingly & Notes in margin For information - E D T Returned	A2.35	284 – 285
	56/01114		Government Resident, Brisbane	Police Office, Brisbane R R MacKenzie JP, Chairman	1856 01 29	At top: "Bench of Magistrates Brisbane"  Acknowledging receipt of his letter of 28 <sup>th</sup> inst re assault lately committed		286 - 288

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				J Leith Hay JP John Brewster JP Henry Buckley JP Thomas Jones JP		upon Rev W K Piddington by 2 members of Brisbane Police Force [Margin: Edmund O'Connor, John Timmoney?- looks like Timmonly?] & requesting they take matter into consideration & decide whether any further steps should be taken [No 56/24] Para 2: Met "this day" & after carefully examining evidence & correspondence on subject, unanimously of opinion that men [Edmund O'Connor, John Timmoney?] are not proper & fit persons to hold office in this or any other Police Force in the Colony		
	56/00305	1856 01 11	Hon CS	Office of Inspector General of Police, Sydney W C Mayne, Inspector General of Police	1856 01 09 1856 01 19~ 1856 01 21 1856 01 19~	At top: "Inspector General of Police" Returning letter from Government Resident Brisbane reporting on complaint preferred by Revd W K Piddington against 2 Constables of Brisbane Police, enclosing copy of depositions taken on hearing of case & remarking he considered it his duty to suspend Constables until pleasure of Governor General is known – forwarded by CS for his report under Blank Cover Minute of 8th inst [Margin: 56/00123]: states he concurs in Captain Wickham's view that conduct of these Constables was unjustified & considers it as proving them entirely unfit for office which requires temper, self control & forbearance [No 56/10] Para 2: Law resting in respective Benches of Magistrates, subject to disallowance by, or appeal to, Governor General, appointment & removal of Rural Constabulary, their control & direction, interference on His Excellency's part in this matter does not as yet appear to him to be called for, beyond suggesting to Government Resident the calling of full meeting in Petty Sessions of Justices of Brisbane Bench for purpose of considering & dealing with conduct of Constables Timmoney & O'Connor & Notes in margin [p 289-291] As there is no appeal to Governor General in this case, does not appear that His Excellency can take any steps in matter, Magistrate having decided on the case – see Section 9 "Police Regulation Act" 16 Vic: No 33 Copy of this letter may be sent for information of Government Resident – he may bring it under Notice of Bench & they will decide whether any further steps should be taken to punish Constables who may, it is believed, be removed by the Bench Letter to be sent Does not appear to me that anything further can be done in the case, as Bench has already adjudicated in it, although certainly the fine of £1	A2.35	289 – 292
					1856 01 00~	awarded appears very inadequate punishment for the offence Government Resident Brisbane &		
	56/00123	1856 01 07	Hon CS	Brisbane	1856 01 22~ 1855 12 31	Notes at foot of p 289: Government Resident [Ref 56/01114]  At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay"	A2.35	293 – 294
	30,00120	1330 01 01		J C Wickham Government Resident	.555 12 01	Forwarding letter addressed to him by Revd Mr Piddington enclosing copy of depositions taken at Police [as it is] on 28 <sup>th</sup> inst in which that gentleman appears as complainant against 2 Constables [Margin: Timmoney, O'Connors [as it is] for having assaulted him [No 55/235] Also at top: "56/204 - Police – January 9"  2 Without entering into merits of case as to whether Mr Piddington interfered with Constables & if he did, whether interference was of serious nature – conceives he was treated in a most unjustifiable manner & has therefore considered it his duty to suspend these Constables until pleasure of His Excellency is known	712.00	200 204

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				"C D R" "W E"	1856 01 07~ 1856 01 08	3 Constables had their prisoner in safe custody inside iron gate of lockup & if they felt aggrieved by Mr Piddington's remonstrance in respect to their treatment of prisoner, they had their remedy under 8 <sup>th</sup> Section of Towns Police Act, but should not have taken law into their own hands by committing assault on gentleman whose dress alone should have protected him from violence & filthy & insulting language & Notes in margin  For report of Inspector General of Police  Blank cover – noted [Ref 56/00305]		
	56/00123		J C Wickham	Wesleyan Mission House, Brisbane William K Piddington	1855 12 28	Enclosure No 1 to letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay of December 31 <sup>st</sup> – 55/235 "Copy"  Letter calling attention to gross & unprovoked assault committed upon him while legally attempting to prevent practice of brutal cruelty under assumed sanction of the law - from accompanying depositions, will perceive he was not obstructing, or interfering with Constables in execution of their duty, but simply discharging his own as citizen & minister - one of the men had audacity to insinuate in Court he was inebriated at the time referred to, & also to state he was in habit of meddling in such cases – while he considers such statements emanating from such a quarter too contemptible & too manifestly false to demand refutation, mentions them to show how recklessly his character as gentleman & minister has been assaulted – in conclusion submits that retention in Office of men guilty of such conduct as is disclosed in this case is directly calculated to render the law contemptible in public estimation – appeals to him as Chief Magistrate of District whether these men ought not to be immediately dismissed from Office, which they have so flagrantly abused & discharged Also at top: "56/204 – Police"		295 – 296
	56/00123			Police Office, Brisbane	1855 12 28	Enclosure No 2 to letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay of December 31, No 55/235 "Copy"  New South Wales – To Wit: [Depositions]  Rev Mr Piddington appeared to make a complaint before W A Duncan and A C Kemball JP against Constables Timmoney & O'Connor for assaulting him - complaint on oath by William Jones Kellick Piddington of Brisbane, Minister of the Gospel who saith:  Last Wednesday evening 26 <sup>th</sup> inst between 9 & 10 o'clock I was going to the Post Office – I heard cries & blows as of a man suffering – sound proceeded from archway here – I concluded man was being taken to the lock-up & had the curiosity to look in at archway – I found 2 men standing at door of watch house holding a light for these 2 Constables Timmoney & O'Connor who had a man inside the iron door & they appeared to be searching him – man was on his back & was rather troublesome & resisted – Timmoney said "If you won't be quiet I'll make you" – he immediately thumped his head on the ground until he became stunned or he was quite passive – after they had searched him I said "You ought to get more help & not ill treat a man like that – I have a great mind to report you for thumping that man's head on the ground in that way"  O'Connor then came out & said "Be off with you or I'll serve you the same or lock you up" - or words to that effect – I said "Do you know who you are		297 – 306 [p 299 & 300 duplicates]

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						speaking to sir?" O'Connor then caught me by my breast & tore buttons off the waistocat I was wearing – I retreated towards the street & O'Connors [as it is] kept hustling me & thrusting me along & just as we got to the doorway Timmoney ran out calling "Be off with you" & kicked me in the posterior with his foot & said he didn't care a – for any of us – I appealed to 2 men present named Chambers and Burley – I made no resistance & used no expressions to the Constables except what I have mentioned Also at top: "56/204 – Police" Cross examined by O'Connor:  I didn't see the prisoner kick you – I say you caught hold of me - it was a few minutes since I left my house till I came to the archway William Jones K Piddington - W A Duncan JP, A C Kemball JP  Deponent Henry Chambers on oath saith as follows:  I saw these 2 Constables inside lock-up searching a man – Joe Burley was holding light for them – I was at door & Mr Piddington came to door – Timmoney took man's head & thumped it on ground 3 or 4 times – I am quite sure of this – I said "that is a ready way to make him quiet" Mr Piddington said that's not the way to use the man, you ought to get more men & that he would report it – a row resulted immediately – the man was secured then – Timmoney said to Mr Piddington "Who the devil are you? I'll kick your arse" – both of them rushed out & shoved & pushed Mr Piddington used no other words neither did anybody else speak – Mr Piddington said to me "You saw that" I said "Yes" Timmoney came up & said to Burley "Was you there?" He said "Yes" Timmoney said "You saw me kick him I don't deny it"  Cross examined by the Bench:  I think the blow made him (their prisoner) quiet By O'Connor:  I saw you have hold of Mr Piddington  By Timmoney:  I think the man got rather too much. I saw no violence on part of their prisoner – they walked very quick with him  H Chambers – W A Duncan JP, A C Kemball JP  Deponent Joseph Burley on oath saith as follows:  Last Wednesday evening I saw these Constables take a drunken man – I picked up a		

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						I don't say you struck his head but Timmoney did Joseph Burley The foregoing depositions were sworn before us 28 <sup>th</sup> day of December 1855 – W A Duncan JP – A C Kemball JP Sentenced – To pay fine of £1 each for violation of duty – W A Duncan JP – A C Kemball JP "Copy – William Anthony Brown, Clerk of Petty Sessions"		
						[Cover sheet]  The 28 <sup>th</sup> day of December 1855  Rev W Piddington v Timmoney & another  Assault  Copy – Depositions  Brisbane Bench		307
	56/01116	1856 02 04	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 01 28 1856 02 04~	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Forwarding papers from Office of Land and Immigration Commissioners received by him enclosed with other papers per "James Fernie" – Lists referred to in Mr Walcott's letter of 12 <sup>th</sup> October are this day forwarded under Blank Cover to save postage [No 56/58] & Note in margin - Received & registered separately – "Put by"	A2.35	308
	56/01157	1856 02 02	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1856 01 31	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Letter stating Patrick O'Sullivan, who deposited £5 in Colonial Treasury under Remittance Regulations to secure passage to Colony for Mary O'Sullivan, has applied to him for return of amount as nominee not in position to avail herself of passage offered [No 56/54] Para 2: Although Depositor has returned Passage Certificate issued in pursuance of his remittance in an incomplete state, conceives that as letter from Acting Assistant (pencilled in) Secretary to Colonial Land & Emigration Commissioners upon subject herewith enclosed has been transmitted with it, there can be no objection to compliance with his request Para 3: Recommends instructions be given to Auditor General to prepare Warrant for return to Patrick O'Sullivan of £5	A2.35	310 – 313 [no p 309]
				"E D T" "W D"	1856 02 02~ 1856 02 04~ 1856 02 06	Notes in margin For approval  Immigration Agent, Auditor General "G W N" "J M C"		
				Government Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne, Agent for Immigration	1855 03 14	Enclosure in Immigration Agent's letter to Colonial Secretary of 31 January 1856 No 56/54 [PRINTED CERTIFICATE] At top: "Immigration / 56/493~" [very faint]; "Depositor's Copy No 2"; "Patrick O'Sullivan"  N B This Certificate must be produced to the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners, at their Office, 8 Park Street, Westminster, within twelve months from this date  NEW SOUTH WALES PASSAGE CERTIFICATE (REMITTANCE) I hereby certify that according to Report from Honourable the Colonial Treasurer, dated 14 <sup>th</sup> March 1855 Patrick O'Sullivan of Ipswich has lodged		314 – 315

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					in the Colonial Treasury the sum of Five Pounds to be applied in assisting the Emigration of the undermentioned parties from Ireland to Moreton Bay subject to the terms of the Notice issued on 20 <sup>th</sup> January, 1854, headed "Emigration Remittances" and to the following conditions:- [in brief] 1st. Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners furnish passage in steerage to persons undermentioned, of description represented & of good moral character, are not lunatic, idiot, deaf, dumb, blind or otherwise infirm 2nd Form of Certificate hereto attached to be filled up & sent to Secretary to Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners, 8 Park Street, Westminster, together with evidence of age of each person emigrating, married persons to send Certificate of Marriage at same time [part obscured] 3rd. If any or all of parties do not take Passages secured to them, money paid for them to be returned to depositor; notice to Commissioners of intention not to proceed 4th. If Passage Moneys forfeited - reasons – sum to be deducted from sum certified to have been deposited, balance only to be available for fresh passages or return to depositor of the Depositor of the Noney herein certified will be returned to depositor if Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners decline to grant passage on account of inteligibility specified in 1st Clause of Certificate to parties & cause it to be produced to Commissioners in London within twelve months from its date – will be taken as sufficient evidence of identity of parties mentioned in Certificate unless Commissioners see reason to contrary 7th. If parties approved by Commissioners, Embarkation Order will be sent to them; if any money paid for their benefit, will be remitted with Embarkation Order by Post Office Order or in such other manner as Commissioners decide  8th.— After once remitting money in manner aforesaid, no second payment can be made – if payment should not have been made to right parties, Government not liable to further claim [Margin: "A F"]  9th.— Certificate to be prod		

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				Colonial Land and Emigration Office, 8 Park Street, Westminster John Walpole, Asst Secretary	1855 08 24	At top: "Immigration 56/493"  [PRINTED FORM LETTER]  Colonial Remittance / Circular O.  Mary O'Sullivan  I am directed by Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 20 <sup>th</sup> inst ['Emigration Certificate' crossed out] - in reply, I am to state, that as you decline to emigrate, circumstances will be communicated to Colonial Government, to whom any application for a return of the money deposited in New South Wales should be addressed by person who paid it		316
	56/01397	1856 02 09	Hon CS	Court House Drayton T De Lacy Moffatt JP	1856 01 28 1856 02 11~ 1856 02 12~ 1856 02 13~	At top: "Bench"  Letter re application on behalf of Clerk of Petty Sessions for allowance of travelling expenses: informs letter of 5 <sup>th</sup> inst sent in mistake, Benches at Drayton & Dalby thinking it advisable to send separate letter from each Court (ref "Memo" dated 17 <sup>th</sup> inst from CS Office)  & Notes in margin  W V  It has been decided on 56/00714 that there are no funds from which expense can be paid  Northing more seems required – this is merely in explanation – "Put by"	A2.35	317 - 318
	56/00714	1856 01 22	Hon CS	Court House Drayton Frederick N Isaac JP J D McLean JP John Watts JP	1856 01 11	At top: "Bench"  Letter recommending on behalf of Mr Ravenscroft Clerk of Petty Sessions for this District & Dalby that he might receive gratuity from Government towards defraying his late heavy expenses in arriving at this place – aware Government not expected to remunerate persons for travelling expenses in this instance seeking consideration as Mr Ravenscroft travelled 600 miles with his family, cost exceeded £80, nearly half a year's salary – when he arrived had no residence to go into, consequently has to stay at an Inn for some time at enormous outlay &  Notes in margin 56/00490  Similar letter returned to Bench for signature	A2.35	319 – 320
				"W E" "J S"	1856 01 22 1856 01 23~ 1856 01 24	Auditor General – blank cover – to be returned Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES~ / No 104-JA*23 There is no precedent for paying expenses of Clerks of Petty Sessions proceeding to their Districts – in 1 or 2 cases, advances made on account of salaries – greatest care to be exercised in sanctioning such advances		
				"W D"	1856 01 28~ 1856 01 29~ 1856 01 29 1856 02 06	which he conceives to be objectionable in principle – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office [p 320] Concludes that for reason given by Auditor General application must be refused We have no Funds from which such expenses would be paid Bench Drayton [Ref 56/01397]		
	56/00490	1856 01 17	Hon CS	Court House, Drayton [not signed]	1856 01 04	At top: "Bench"  This letter is exactly the same as letter at p 319, but following para added: Also submit £200 placed on Estimates for present year towards salary of Clerk of Petty Sessions Dalby, distance 55 miles from here, at which place Mr Ravenscroft is expected to perform duties once a fortnight at salary £50	A2.35	321 – 323

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						per annum (a sum totally inadequate to pay expense of himself & horse) & that under those circumstances small sum might be awarded him on this occasion & Note in margin – 56/00714		
					1856 01 28	Note re above – Letter returned		324
	56/01405	1856 02 09	Hon CS	Ipswich	1856 02 02	At top: "H M Cockburn"	A2.35	325 – 326
	36/01405	1656 02 09	nones	Henry M Cockburn  "J S"	1856 02 13 1856 02 14~	Letter re enclosed claim £22-1-6 against Frederick Walker for goods supplied & money paid for use of Native Police, forwarded in duplicate marked 'A' - re this account, R P Marshall Acting Commandant Native Police wrote to him 22 February last, stating he had received instructions to collect outstanding accounts & forward them to Government & requesting him to forward to him in duplicate a statement of his claim against Mr Walker for articles supplied for Public Service prior to 1st October 1854 This account was forwarded to Acting Commandant 20th March 1855 in duplicate - not having heard anything further from him, again wrote to him 8th ult requesting early settlement, in reply to which he received letter from him, copy enclosed marked 'B' - calls attention to length of time elapsed since account was incurred & fact that greater portion was cash paid on account of carriage of supplies &  Notes re above This claim already noted in this Office – stands over with many others until final report of Mr Marshall on remarks by Mr F Walker in reference to claims against him in his public capacity have been received – this may be expected shortly. In meantime, desirable no other answers should be given to parties bringing forward similar demands, than that they will receive earliest & best consideration that can be bestowed on them – Blank Cover Mr Cockburn may be informed in terms of this report - seems very desirable that settlement of these claims be expedited as much as possible	A2.35	323 - 320
				"W D"	1856 02 15 1856 02 29	Yes Mr Cockburn		
				"W E"	1856 02 09~ 1856 02 11~ 1856 02 11 1856 02 12~ 1856 02 14~	Notes re above For report of Auditor General Yes "Urgent" - Blank Cover Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 201-FE*12 Returned Colonial Secretary's Office		327
	56/01405		H M Cockburn, Ipswich	Gayndah R P Marshall, Native Police	1856 01 20	"B" Letter in reply to "yours of 8 <sup>th</sup> inst": informs has not yet received any instructions from Government relative to claims made against Mr F Walker on account of Native Police		328
	56/01405		H M Cockburn, Ipswich	Gayndah R P Marshall, Native Police	1856 01 20	"B" [Duplicate of letter at p 328]		329
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						To H M Cockburn Dr.  1854  March 17 1 Tarpaulin £9-9-0  March 18 2 Camp Kettles £0-7-0  April 7 Cash paid McLean		
						"A" [Duplicate of statement at p 330 – with a couple of differences: "Interest" instead of Int; has 31 January 1855 instead of 1856]		331
				"M F"	1856 02 13~ 1856 02 14~	Notes 56/01211 – E T Aldridge – 23 December re deficient police protection Maryboro': with M Fitzpatrick Land Branch 56/01211 now herewith duly reported	A2.35	332 – 333
	56/01469	1856 02 12	Hon CS	Office of Inspector General of Police, Sydney W C Mayne Inspector General of Police	1856 02 08	At top: "Inspector General of Police" Letter in pursuance of instructions conveyed in CS letter of yesterday 56/45 enclosing copy of communication from E T Aldridge of Maryboro' [also spelt Maryborough], complaining of deficiency of police protection at that place: reports Police Establishment at Wide Bay District consists of Chief Constable & 4 Ordinary Constables stationed at Maryboro & strength of Division of Native Police Corps allotted to Wide Bay & Burnett Districts is:  Margin: 1 Lieutenant – 1 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant – 2 Sub-Lieutenants –24 Troopers, Officer in Command of which was, on 22 <sup>nd</sup> December last, under instructions conveyed "in your letter of 21 <sup>st</sup> December No 55/360" was directed to proceed with available strength in direction of Maryboro to check aggression of aborigines in that locality – period it occupies to receive answer to communication addressed to officer in Command of that Division of Native Police Corps, has prevented any letter in reply, or report from Lieutenant Morisset [as it is – also spelt Morrisset, Morriset], from reaching him [No 56/34]  2: Commissioner of Crown Lands, who is also Police Magistrate of Wide Bay & Burnett Districts with Head Quarters at Maryboro' has 4 troopers allowed him, whose services although not applicable to ordinary Police duties, would be available in emergency for protection of life & property & Notes in margin 56/01211		334 – 337
				"W D" "M F"	1856 02 14~ 1856 02 18 1856 02 26~	M F What is this about where is the letter Letter referred to is now again submitted herewith – it was so submitted on 14 <sup>th</sup> inst but was apparently separated from this		
				"W D"	1856 02 28 1856 03 08	It appears Government has done all that is in its power Mr Aldridge "H W B"		
	56/01211	1				Notes	A2.35	338

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				"M F"	1856 02 26~	Paper on which Notice was issued restricting cutting of timber on Town Reserves is now enclosed - is quite silent as to Policy which dictated Notice - believes object was to preserve Timber for use of future Township		
	56/01211	1856 02 05	His Ex Sir William Denison, Governor General	"W D"  Maryborough Edgar Thomas Aldridge	1856 02 28 1855 12 23	At top: "E T Aldridge"  Letter seeking Governor General's consideration: states he was first white man in Maryborough & selected sites of present Township at his own cost & risk in 1848 & built thereon – now is largest individual proprietor of purchased land & has most improved same in Districts of Wide Bay & Burnett – has now in his employ, erecting very large Stores with Private Wharves & extensive Hotel, Foreman of Works, 5 pairs of sawyers, 6 carpenters, labourers, bullock & horse drivers etc who with their families number nearly 50 head – during whole period of his residence in this place, aboriginals have been troublesome & more especially since disbanding of portion of Native Police of whom 9 or 10 have lately been turned adrift upon us & so daring have become their depredations that not a day passes without either a Store broken open & stores taken, houses entered by their chimnies [see also chimneys] & cleared out of clothing & eatables, gardens stripped of fruit & vegetables, of rations (one dray had 8 bags of sugar & 3 bags of flour taken off it), bullocks speared, sawyers & bushmen robbed in open day of rations & clothing, spears & waddies being frequently hurled at them & within last fortnight 2 men in broad daylight cruelly murdered few days ago married woman had head broken by black fellow & otherwise injured & his own sawyers attacked & robbed  About 8 months ago, regulation was enforced in Township of most injurious nature to its advancement viz that timber must not be cut & taken at a less distance than 5 miles from Town, & Commissioner states his inability to allow his men to cut it nearer – his men have been placed in Bush in consequence of this regulation & they now have come in, struck work & refuse to do anything more unless they are allowed to work in & near Township where abundance of timber exists, stating they would sooner go to gaol than work in Bush with chances of being murdered by blacks & daily being robbed  Having submitted his case, seeks assistance viz that His Excellency will		339, 341 – 342 [no p 340]
				"W D"	1856 02 04 1856 02 16	have left & others are preparing to do so  [Cover] To His Excellency/ Sir William Denison/ Governor General & Notes re above Let reference be made to Inspector General of Police re amount of protection to settlers at Maryborough & let me know reason why rule about cutting timber was promulgated Mr Aldridge, Inspector General of Police		343

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				"M F" "W D"	1856 02 14~ 1856 02 19~	56/01469 Restriction referred to by writer is no doubt that created by Notice of 4 April~ 1851 – see page 61 of Land Regulations Why was it imposed		
				"M F"	1856 02 22~	Papers – see 51/02077 herewith		
	56/01497	1856 02 12	Hon CS	Elizabeth Street William A Purefoy	1856 02 11	At top: "William A Purefoy" Letter reporting on case of prisoners named in margin, tried before him at Brisbane Circuit Court on 19 <sup>th</sup> November last (for allowing prisoner to escape from their custody) (Ref CS letter 7 <sup>th</sup> inst)  Margin: William Anderson – John Roy – Patrick Fitzgibbon Following extenuating circumstances:  Passage from Brisbane to Sydney was unusually long & boisterous being 4 days from Brisbane to Newcastle into which latter port steamer compelled to put for coals  2: Constables in charge of prisoners were much exhausted as well by length of voyage as by constant watching  3: Prisoner who escaped (Reilly) was put on the chain by Anderson & Roy about 2 hours before steamer entered Newcastle & was then apparently in perfect security  4: Prisoner effected his escape an hour or 2 before daylight while steamer was lying at Newcastle  5: Each of prisoners received excellent character from Government Resident (Captain Wickham), from late Captain Barney & other gentlemen of respectability who spoke in highest terms of their moral character, also of their zeal & efficiency as Officers of Police  Roy (who was 20~ years in the Army) produced in Court good conduct medal & Anderson stated he had been 10 years in Irish Constabulary & never once charged with any dereliction of duty  Under circumstances recommend His Excellency grant prayer of Petition by remitting one month of period of imprisonment to which Prisoners were severally sentenced by him  At end: Petition & letter sent to him are herewith returned – W A P"  & Notes in margin	A2.35	344 – 346
				"W D"	1856 02 12~ 1856 02 13 1856 02 14	See recommendation in last para which may perhaps be approved Approved Mr Purefoy, Sheriff, Capt Mayne		
	56/01253	1856 02 05	Hon CS	Sheriff's Office, Sydney John O'Neill Brenan, Sheriff	1856 02 04 1856 02 05~ 1856 02 05~ 1856 02 07	At top: "Sheriff" Letter forwarding Petition of prisoners – Margin: William Anderson, Patrick Fitzgibbon, John Roy: states their conduct whilst in Darlinghurst Gaol such as to meet his approbation, also draws attention to 2 <sup>nd</sup> para of Petition [No 56/10] & Notes in margin 56/01188 Similar Petition from above men submitted yesterday Refer to Mr Purefoy Mr Purefoy [Ref 56/01497] Entd "J P"	A2.35	347 – 348
	56/01253		His Ex Sir William Dennison [as it is]	William Anderson, Patrick Fitzgibbon, John Roy	[no date]	Petition of William Anderson, John Roy and Patrick Fitzgibbons [as it is]: Petitioners tried at Brisbane Circuit Court November last before Mr Purefoy & found guilty of allowing prisoner to escape from their custody whilst		349 – 350

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						proceeding from Brisbane to Sydney per steamer & for which crime petitioners were sentenced each to be imprisoned in Her Majesty's Gaol at Sydney for 4 months – nearly 3 months of sentence expired & Mr Purefoy intimated they could petition His Excellency for remission of sentence & he would strongly recommend them for remission of 1 month from original sentence on account of good character – pray His Excellency takes their good characters into favourable consideration & grants Petitioners boon prayed for by allowing them to return to their families		
	56/01188	1856 02 04	His Ex Sir William Dennison [as it is]	William Anderson, John Roy, Patrick Fitzgibbon	1856 01 10	Petition of William Anderson, John Roy and Patrick Fitzgibbon: Petitioners were Constables in Brisbane Police Force - on 22 <sup>nd</sup> June last Petitioners were in charge of several prisoners from Brisbane to Sydney – one prisoner escaped from their custody for which Petitioners were tried before Mr Justice Purefoy & sentenced 19 <sup>th</sup> November last to 4 months imprisonment in Darlinghurst Gaol – Petitioners are married men, have large families depending on them for support, always borne unexceptionable characters – pray His Excellency will consider their case & grant such mitigation as he deems meet & Note in margin – 56/01497 &	A2.35	351 – 353
	56/01558	1856 02 15	Hon CS~	"C D R"  Government Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1856 02 04~ 1856 02 14	Note re above - Mr Purefoy to report  At top: "Agent for Immigration" Forwarding duplicate copies [not filmed here] of Report of Assistant Immigration Agent at Moreton Bay on arrival of Immigrant Ship "Conrad" for transmission to Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners (ref CS letter 10 <sup>th</sup> ult No 56/10 – Margin: 56/12691) [No 56/77] & Notes in margin	A2.35	354
					1856 02 16~ 1856 02 19	W V Mr Walcott "G W N"		
						ENQUIRY INTO CERTAIN CHARGES MADE BY SURGEON SUPERINTENDENT MARSHALL OF SHIP "Fortune" AGAINST CAPTAIN SANFORD OF THAT VESSEL, including relevant letters & papers – p 355 – 523 [pages 367- 450 not numbered – noted in square brackets]		
	56/01645	1856 02 19	Hon CS~	Government Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1856 02 18	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Transmitting copy letter from Assistant Immigration Agent Moreton Bay, setting forth views of Board on Captain Sandford's letter (refers to "my letter 29 <sup>th</sup> ult No 56/45" returning to CS communication from Capt Sandford [also spelt Sanford] of Immigrant Ship "Fortune", copy of which he forwarded for report of Local Immigration Board Moreton Bay) [No 56/83] Para 2: Seeks authority to pay Dr Marshall gratuity due to him as Surgeon Superintendent of that vessel as that gentleman delayed in Sydney to present time, awaiting result of correspondence above referred to &	A2.35	355 – 357
				"W D"	1856 02 21 1856 02 25	Gratuity to be paid Agent for Immigration [Ref 56/03826] "G W N"		
	56/01645		Immigration Agent, Sydney	Immigration Office, Moreton Bay A C Kemball, pro Board, Assistant Immigration Agent	1856 02 13	Enclosure referred to in Immigration Agent's letter to Colonial Secretary of 18 <sup>th</sup> February 1856 – No 56/83  Referring to your letter 29 <sup>th</sup> ult No 56/4 [as it is – 56/45?] enclosing copy of		358 – 365

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						statement from Master of Ship "Fortune" to Governor General containing complaints against Members of Local Immigration Board re course pursued in late investigation before them relative to certain charges preferred against him by Surgeon Superintendent of above vessel - in compliance with request, lays before him explanations which Members of Board have to offer in refutation of statements made by Master of "Fortune". Captain Sandford has represented to His Excellency he was "not permitted to produce all evidence he could have brought forward to exonerate himself" – this is most unwarrantable falsehood as every facility was given him & every encouragement to produce witnesses he wished to call – during investigation Captain Sandford expressed his indifference as to result if not affecting interests of Ship & at close of his case referred to Board (Government Resident being then absent) for their opinion whether there was any occasion for him to call additional evidence or not, & upon being assured there was no necessity for his doing so as did not appear to be any charge substantiated so as to affect Charter Party, Captain Sandford then expressed determination to call no further witnesses adding he "did not care about his gratuity"  Both Government Resident "& myself" deny having prejudiced case during enquiry by any such remark as "it was singular & extraordinary Dr Marshall had failed to prove any charge against Capt Sandford" - Board had frequent occasion to express regret at difficulty experienced in eliciting truth from unwilling or strongly prejudiced witnesses  With regard to that part of Capt Sandford's statement which "refers to me personally" states: on his return from Sydney he applied to him to be informed when he & Officers of his vessel would be paid gratuities - upon learning Board's recommendation that none should be granted he expressed his regret in ordinary terms, but when in reply to his direct inquiry, he informed him Surgeon was not included in award, he became excited, declared his determ		

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				Immigration Office, Moreton Bay	[no date]	At top: "A" "Immigration / 56/130 – 8 January 1856" At a meeting of Immigration Board held on [no date here] and convened for purpose of enquiring into certain charges made by Surgeon Superintendent of ship "Fortune" against Captain of that vessel. The following witnesses gave their evidence on their solemn affirmation: [p 367] By the Board  John Bright Marshall Surgeon Superintendent [see also J R Marshall]  "A" 1st charge - investigation held on board ship as to conduct of 1st Mate & Steward for taking liberties with women – result of investigation: 1st Mate Quity & steward reprimanded – on examination nothing elicited, on my cross examination it was admitted Steward had taken liberty with Mrs Mary Johnson, put his arm round her waist, saying "Mrs Johnston [as it is] won't you give me your daughter" – previous to above investigation 1st Mate (Mason) had 2 women in his room together (Mrs Buck) & Kate Gill Spoke to him several times with regard to conduct towards women & also his taking brandy from hospital, which he opened with a false key – having found later he opened hospital, spoke to Captain to get [p 368] key from him but Captain refused – after some time Captain reinstated 1st Mate without consulting me having promised not to do so without my sanction – also to Schoolmaster & Strinfellow [as it is - see also Stringfellow] – throughout voyage he has been subverting my authority with women saying I had no control over married women, only over single, wished he could get married women to treacle & feather me – conversation at after hatchway in presence of Rose & James Feron [as it is – Fearon?] – James Castles – Mary Morrin [Moran?] & Joseph Stringfellow, 1st Mate said plenty of room in his trowsers [as it is] [details here of suggestions made here & top p 369]  [p 369] trowsers were indian sleeping drawers – he put Rose Feron into his cot having made his bed – now I am going to have a night of it – then a woman (Charlotte Buck) said yes my love I wish we could have a night of it – he was co	A2.35	366 - 452 [pages 367 - 450 not numbered – noted in square brackets]

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						vital importance to [p 371] communicate. They were called together - he then said as Doctor Marshall will not call people he would have my letters copied & posted between decks – he continued for an hour at least haranguing against me – immigrants cheering from which time my authority was gone "A" 7" 8 9" – About middle of voyage I understood there were some passengers in cabins – I was about to read service being Sunday - I sent Constable to say I was waiting for them – Captain sent reply they were engaged with him – I sent again for them – message sent back was likes of you (meaning Constables) not wanted here – I then went myself, said to Captain I received message I didn't understand - he said they are engaged with me – I said perhaps there is no objection to my being present – with a little hesitation he said certainly not if you wish it – I took a chair & sat down, he then said [p 372] you Mr Mason (1st Mate) can proceed – paper was read, when he said, what do you think of it doctor – he accused me of having said to emigrants that he (the Captain) had been broken, & saying different things to immigrants & promising to get young men situations – I asked him what he meant by "broken", he said don't be insolent or I shall order you out – he did order me out but I told him I would not go – that I have as much right there as he had, that I had asked permission before sitting down – he then said I shall turn you out – I replied that is another affair altogether – he caught me by collar & pushed me violently out of the cuddy – when I got to the door told him unnecessary to use violence; that between gentlemen saying the thing was sufficient – he gave me a violent shove which pushed me on to deck – one of those (George Ingram) who signed paper told me a short time after that he signed it under a threat – I never went into the cuddy again – I took my meals & slept [p 373] in female hospital, portion of which I partitioned off for express purpose – my hospital assistant also slept there "A" 16" no 77" bovember "Are		

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						women — 1st Mate's cot was not long up — you refused at first to interfere, but seeing conduct pursued too gross, you had it taken down — you were standing on the poop when effigy of me was [p 375] exhibiting on board ship — you were ill when I wrote to you for position of ship but when you got well I also asked for position, but you did not give it — I am certain you were aware of milk having been stopped from children - (Signed) John B Marshall- Examined by the Doctor  John Beston declares I am schoolteacher of ship "Fortune":  After 1st Mate sent for me to his room, requested me to write a petition stating he was put off duty without cause, at same time Doctor had committed more impropriety than he had by his having Mrs Buck & another in his room — I told him I would not write it without consulting Doctor & Captain — I mentioned it to Doctor who told Captain of it — Captain told me to have nothing at all with Mason, that he was put off duty for disobedience & if he made any more rows he would be put in irons — I thought Mason an improper man to do duty from what Captain said of him —I have heard Steward call  [p 376] Doctor improper names, such as dam [as it is] hospital Doctor, ask women of London what that means & such like — such language pretty constant for last month past —I do not think Captain encouraged Officers & men to abuse Surgeon  Cross examined by Captain  I think your conduct on board ship was very proper — you have always desired we should have our proper rations — you have expressed desire to suppress all disturbances — I think it was Doctor Marshall who made first speech on Deck, when people were mustered — Doctor said you were stopping rations of 2 children —I have several times heard Doctor say Dam your eyes when he was teazed [as it is] — he said it to hospital assistant & to myself — I never heard him say it to women or children — woman named Treadwell suffered a great deal from sickness — she, her husband & I were in the hospital, Doctor accused  [p 377] woman of signing petition a		

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						baby linen?] to ask Mrs Feron for flannel which he said was short – when she said Doctor was a liar & so are you – you on investigation when she admitted after abusing you very much that she tore it up, her husband was even more abusive than herself. Another day she cut up a cotton zapper – & done so that I might report it to Doctor – three last days I was in hospital bread was stopped – portion of tea & sugar was stopped. If you had not given patient Bridget English some of your rations she would have been badly off – she said so herself – she always expressed herself perfectly satisfied with your treatment – no father could have treated his children better than you treated women & children – your conduct towards all passengers (as far as I know) was most proper  X By the Captain I know it was Mason who was in the room by his voice – I have no doubt but it was him – I did not see grog  [p 381] when Mason asked me to have some – I don't know whether ordinary rations were received in hospital – I received my rations – they were never stopped – I never saw any improper conduct with regard to you at any time – at first you & Doctor were on good terms –  (Signed) Mary Johnson [her mark]  John Johnson declares - One evening at dusk I was on main deck near the ladder. I saw 1 <sup>st</sup> Mate & Steward go on the poop - & saw Steward take woman in his arms whose features I could not distinguish but believed it was Mrs Buck – she broke away from him, he caught her again & brought her over to far corner of poop where 1 <sup>st</sup> Mate was standing – he came over where my wife was sitting & laid his face on hers – I reported it to Doctor –		

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						after this Mate very violent towards me – he accused me of telling lies & carrying stories about the ship – your treatment towards single women was [p 382] kind & attentive & to all on board  X By the Captain I did not see 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mate at time referred to – single women were called & asked questions by Doctor in your presence. All single women denied that Steward took any of them around the waist – I applied to you for protection, & you promised it – I think I heard you give orders to 3 <sup>nd</sup> Mate (Tatson – as it is - see also Tapson) to see that emigrants get their full allowance of rations – I have no fault with you towards myself or my family – only once I heard you say that you were not constables but spies of the Doctors – between decks I did not consider dirtier than usual – we used to have them cleaned every morning & sometimes in the midday – I think Tatson the 3 <sup>nd</sup> Mate done his duty in serving out rations  Examined by the Doctor  You were very particular in having the between decks kept clean –  (Signed) John Johnson [his mark] [p 383] William Nealle [as it is – also William Neal] Constable declared – That since you & Captain had a difference, conduct of Captain & Officers of ship have been insolent & obstructing you & us in our duties. Twice I have called a spy by Captain – there was great uproar on board ship – when we went to put out lights in single men's apartment, they threw tin pots & other things at our heads – this was after speech made by Captain & I believe it was from encouragement received from Officers – your conduct towards passengers was very kind & attentive – between decks were kept very clean – they were cleaned every morning – I have been in store room a good deal – your orders for porter was lately stopped because it was all served out – I have seen some served out without your orders to emigrants doing work for ship – I have known some of the Officers & crew served out with porter – I have myself received some – also 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mate & Thomas White – also  [p 384] the 3 <sup>nd</sup> Mate – none ot		

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						thick – (Signed) William Neal		
						Adjourned till 10 o'clock tomorrow morning - Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 1855		
						- (Signed) J C Wickham, W A Duncan		
						20 <sup>th</sup> December 1855		
						Thomas White declares – Beef & pork were served out down the hold, all		
						other rations served out of stores – porter was served out according to		
						Doctor's orders – no person had porter without [p 386] an order from you – I had some for myself – I had it from 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mate it		
						was part of a bottle which was left – I never saw Carpenter or 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mate		
						receive any porter – I never had regular allowance of porter – I said I could		
						not get any porter for my mother – I didn't think I had more than two half		
						pints of porter during voyage		
						X By the Captain		
						Beef & pork was served out on deck in fine weather, in hold in bad weather		
						- I knew of porter being upset in store room in bad weather & cask was all		
						lost – I didn't know whether it was reported to Doctor or not – I heard you		
						order Tapson to serve out immigrants their full ration at all times – also		
						heard you charge him to be attentive to Doctor's orders – I assisted Tapson		
						a good deal in serving out stores etc – used to be some porter remaining		
						[p 387] in bottle which Tapson allowed me to take – you treated all		
						passengers well – you never encouraged me in any way to molest Doctor		
						nor did I hear of your ever doing so		
						Re-examined by the Doctor  I remember a good deal of bottles been broken – I never assisted in		
						breaking any bottles – I saw Tapson break one or two bottles of porter with		
						his knife – he gave me some porter to drink & drank some also himself – I		
						saw Neal the constable take some porter – it was given to him by Tapson –		
						he did this without an order from Doctor – I saw carpenter & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mate		
						drinking but cannot tell what – carpenter used to come to store room at		
						night after his work – Tapson never made any promises to me to assist		
						them in serving out stores		
						By the Board		
						I remember some bottles taken of a cask to make up deficiency		
						[p 388] of another which was broken open in the hold – It was Tapson done		
						this – cooks mate was in hold to serve out coals – I recollect a fuss & searching made when biscuit had been lost – there was no fuss nor search		
						when porter was lost – I didn't know whether 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mate reported loss of		
						porter to Doctor – I think Doctor done his duty & have nothing to say		
						against him – (Signed) Thomas White [his mark]		
						James Castles declares – The night during voyage while I was on deck I		
						heard Rose Feron say to Mason your trowsers are very wide – he said they		
						would hold two - I heard other people say who heard Mason that language		
						used was blackguard – I heard several times improper language used,		
						Rose Feron & her husband & Mason - & McDougall		
						[p 389] I saw no improper conduct in any Officers except Mason – what I		
						mean by improper conduct is his taking women in his arms, attempting to		
						kiss them & making use of improper language – he made use of bad		
						language to himself – I have been in habit of doing jobs for Captain & other		
						Officers of ship – I was not paid for them – about 8 days before vessel arrived, a paper was brought between decks by 2 passengers to be signed		
						by passengers in favour of Captain. I & others refused to sign it which was		
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						your hand on his shoulder – when Doctor got to the door, that when he would conduct himself as a gentleman, he might come back again – in my		

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					opinion your conduct was very gentlemanly in every respect – I have heard you frequently forbid your men from annoying Doctor & which was always obeyed – I heard you several times caution crew against annoying Doctor Re-examined by the Doctor I do not think you gave Captain sufficient reason for ordering you out of the Cabin – (Signed) Georg Ingram [as it is] [Margin note: A C K]  Joseph Stringfellow - Hospital assistant coming out of Birkenhead Dock – single women were standing round Captain on main deck, Captain said they could not be on the poop – they have been on poop since – Mr Mason came to hospital & said Dr Marshall [p 398] if you order milk in this manner, it will not last for a month - only a certain quantity on board – stating the quantity – he said he made out a list from mess book of those children entitled to it – milk was served out according to this list but Doctor objected to it – several children who had been receiving milk had to go without – I remember you raying to Mason I'll have nothing to say to you, but to Captain – Mason replied I am only a servant & acting by Captain's orders – I do remember your going then to Captain – Castles child was deprived of its milk from time before mentioned till we arrived in Moreton Bay – tin of preserved meat was stopped every day for 6 days – which were afterwards received by your remonstrance – I remember your sending me for barley to make a drink for Emily Treadwell who was sick in hospital – at the store was told by 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mate that there was no barley except for [p 399] Cabin use – about 6 weeks afterwards I went with an order for barley & got some – when Bridget English was being confined in hospital I went to store for ½ lb tea – I think a ½ lb butter - & something else which I don't remember – an oz of tea, 2oz of butter was sent to me – following morning I received bread made out of 6 oz of flour – then said to me "What does this mean?" & sent me back to store to have orders returned – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mate refused to give them, unless I brought an order to		

in hospital, which I brought on board for my own use – I told circumstance to Captain & Doctor on the poop of Mason's having a key for hospital – Captain & Doctor told me to sleep in hospital to watch & catch the thief – Captain said it could be no one else but Mason & he should like to catch him – he would put him in irons down in the hold for the rest of the passage – I slept in hospital until a patient came there – key which Mason lent me to get spirits was never got from him to my knowledge – morning after you spoke to the people, it was reported through ship that I was drunk – your	
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			ТО	FROM		affair which was never remedied – Mason one day said you had been putting down something in your journal against him – about a minute after I observed that, early part of your Journal was cut out – I observed at several times your papers tossed about – (Signed) Joseph Stringfellow  Adjourned till tomorrow morning Friday the 21st December 1855 – J C Wickham, W A Duncan  Friday the 21st December 1855  Joseph Stringfellow – Journal & papers were locked in a box in hospital – you kept key – more than once I found journal which had been locked in box in berth under place where box [as it is] – you scolded me, said I had not locked up journal which I had done – I believe Captain said Mason must have been in & seen  [p 406] journal – you did not get key from Mason that I am aware of – don't remember Captain coming in & saw where papers were – X By the Captain  Lock did not appear to be injured – I might have left books out – night in question I am certain of having locked them up – Doctor was not in habit of leaving books & papers on table at night after leaving hospital – you advised Doctor to lock papers in a box – but they had been locked up previously – I served out spirits by order of Doctor to any of those who assisted in funerals – on one occasion I went about ship with a bottle of spirits my own property & gave some of it to crew – when Doctor found out I had a bottle of spirits in hospital he ordered me to take it away & [p 407] as I had no place to put it I gave it to crew – you were very strict		PAGE
						with regard to medicines, spirits, papers etc under your charge – (Signed) Joseph Stringfellow Bridget English declares I remember going into hospital to be confined – I was well treated – I remember when allowance you made me was stopped - you gave me a bit of your breakfast a couple of times – Captain promised my husband that I should have my rations on leaving hospital – you wanted to keep me in hospital longer than I wished X By the Captain It was 5 or 6 days after leaving hospital that I received my usual rations – Doctor told me I had nothing to get [p 408] but to go to Captain – I did not speak to you but to Mr Mason – I sent Mr Mason & Steward to you to say that I was starving that Doctor would not give me anything to eat – Mr Mason said to me to come to Steward & he would give me something to eat bye & bye [as it is] - I didn't know if you wrote letter to Doctor about it – Doctor said he would not give me anything to eat till he got to Moreton Bay By the Board I received no gruel or arrow root while in hospital – I asked Doctor for a glass of porter but did not get any – Doctor said it would be dangerous to leave hospital for myself & child – (Signed) Bridget English [her mark] James English declares – I remember my wife going into hospital – reason my wife left hospital was on account of heat of fire, from a stove [p 409] You told me you would stop both hers & my rations if I took her out of hospital – Captain told me to go to Doctor & ask him to put my wife on rations – this was when she was in hospital – Captain wrote letter to you with respect to rations – letter produced is letter marked (E) - I did not say I didn't care a dam for you, the Captain will give me my rations – I would		

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						have taken her out of hospital if Captain would not give me my rations. Captain gave Steward orders for me to get rations for my wife, but not from ship's stores – next night I got rations from Steward for my wife – I am not sure if it were same night she came out of hospital – I remember Captain saying that if you did not give me rations, that he would – I don't remember [p 410] your saying you thought Captain would take such a liberty – but I told you Captain called Going [as it is – Goan?] as a witness to the promise – I fetched Going at your request who corroborated what I had said – she had regular rations after a week by Captain's written orders till we arrived in Moreton Bay  X By the Captain  A week after my wife leaving hospital you gave me written order for her rations – there was a stove in hospital – Day & night there was a large fire in it - Doctor told me to go to you – that he would give me no rations for my wife – I got bread, butter & tea from you for my wife the week previous to your giving me written order for rations – I remember 2 or 3 days after getting rations from you from the cabin your being very unwell  [p 411] I came with my wife one day to cabin. She was crying saying she was starving – you told me to go to Doctor & see if I could not get rations again – I sent my wife to Doctor – my wife was perfectly well that day  By the Board  I don't know what my wife got in hospital – but she told me she got bread, tea, butter & gruel – I complained to Captain that Doctor would not give my wife any porter or wine – (Signed) James English, Constable  Denis Gavin constable declares – We were all very comfortable at beginning of voyage – there was a bit of a disturbance between you & Captain – I noticed difference in which things were carried on after disturbance – constables were insulted – Captain insulted me once by calling XXX  [p 412] At top: "Immigration - 56/130" "C"  XXX me a spy – He asked me how much I had from Dr Marshall for being a spy – Captain gathered a mob together & read a lette		

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						Captain said he would support your authority you said it was false, that he was doing his best to take it away – (Signed) Denis Gavin [his mark] [p 414] Margaret Welsh [as it is - Walsh?] declares - I never had anything from Captain or any Officers of ship, but Steward, from whom I received 5/-for damage done to my gown – It was as good to me as the 5/ It was no understanding between me & Steward to tear my gown – I never heard Steward use bad language – I never tasted gin, porter or anything else from Steward  X By the Captain  I am well aware you knew nothing about 5/- I got from Steward  By the Board  I think Mr Mason a very proper man – but Mrs Buck I consider very improper – (Signed) Margaret Welsh [his mark – as it is]  By the Doctor  George Thompson declares – I remember your telling me not to exceed a certain bound in ship nor to go into hold – It was not a punishment [p 415] for bad conduct – I disobeyed your order because you gave orders to have buckets of water thrown on young men if they did not get up when called in morning – I never said to you I had Captain's orders to work in hold – Captain never gave me permission to work in hold – I had no conversation with any Officers with regard to this investigation  X By the Captain  I think stores were properly served out – I heard you several times give orders to Mr Tapson to be particular as to his treatment of passengers "By the Board  I received porter from Steward once, without Doctor's orders – (Signed) George Thompson  Correspondence from F to Z being handed in. This closes Surgeon's case  [p 416] The Captain's Statement  At Liverpool I came on board ship about 3 <sup>rd</sup> September ship was in river – on going to cabin I heard D' Marshall make rude remarks about breakfast, such as I would not give such stuff to his menials – referring to sugar & tea.  I reported it to Captain Schomberg likewise to James Baines & Co – Dr Marshall used good deal of arrogance towards me & my Officers – made my position as Master very unpleasant in every circumstance – I		

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						Steward – ordered main sail to be hauled up - & told Dr Marshall it were time single women went below – squall came immediately very heavy Dr Marshall ordered females off poop & followed immediately himself. When going to cabin table for dinner Doctor said it was fortunate I had sent females below, I just remarked they ought not to come on deck in such weather, as they might be blown overboard – he said I gave them liberty – I said he was mistaken as I did not – he said I did, & [p 419] would take his oath I did, I told him he was mistaken – he said what he stated was true & did not think it would arrive to all this damned nonsense. I asked him to drop subject – he then again said he would take his oath to the fact – I then said we will end by saying I am a liar & you a gentleman – Doctor Marshall after this hurt his leg, & came only to breakfast in cabin – he took his dinner & tea in hospital. From that time till 10th of November he gave both myself & Officers a good deal of annoyance interfering with duty of ship [Margin: not proved] – Having found a large quantity of flour, butter, served out beyond dietary scale – I wrote Doctor a letter on subject – letter marked (K) – at this time feeling myself very unwell by almost constant duty & bad weather I advised with Mr Lang who was then doing duty as 1 <sup>st</sup> Mate [p 420] concerning putting Mr Mason on duty again – stating I was very unwell through fatigue – his reply was he also was unwell, & nothing would please him so well as to see Mr Mason on duty as he could not attend to all – as hardships were very great weather being very stormy for some weeks past – I then sent Steward for Mr Mason & asked him if he would make a written apology for his insults – he said he would to me, but could not to have nothing to say to any passengers, except where his duty required him – and more especially to single women [p 421] I likewise charged him to treat Doctor with respect to keep peace & quietness on board ship – When Dr Marshall tame out of his own cabin at 8 o'clock in m		

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						letter marked (K), which refers to stores – ending by saying to passengers you have nothing to do with regard to difference between Dr Marshall & me, you must perfectly understand I will assist Dr Marshall in carrying out all due authority – some days after this I was taken violently ill – I heard Dr Marshall come on the poop & order man from wheel three different times (Margin: not proved) I was in cabin at the time – officer on watch could not hear him, as it was blowing a gale, ship running twelve knots an hour – frequently while I was ill, Officers brought complaints to me about Dr Marshall interfering with their duty - & one night ordered Mr Lang while taking in the mizzen [as it is] & see what light was there – Mr Lang replied I am an Officer of the Watch & cannot leave poop – Doctor then called him an impertinent fellow for not obeying his order – he likewise took every opportunity of annoying Officers whilst on duty - & even had people to stand by & hear if they committed themselves, he likewise had parties to watch me about deck to know what I was saying – during my illness it appeared to me he tried to annoy me by sending emigrants to me, & I firmly believe this disturbance on board was cause of my illness – I repeatedly told Officers I would not quarrel with Dr Marshall if I possibly could get to Australia without – I have often cautioned Dr Marshall against using bad language to passengers, which [p 425] has been most disgraceful, he has likewise spoken at table of secret operations on women before Officers - & his conduct has been in general anything but proper in an emigrant ship – he told passengers on one occasion, when an extraordinary shadow of a cloud appearing on horizon, that Captain had made land & did not know where he was – I have several times gone between decks on duty – saw large piles of dirt laying there & where were constables & where the people were appointed to clean decks – no person seemed to know anything about it & since being in port I had to call Dr Marshall's attention to		

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						[p 428] ship, taking one of the boats, till another was got out Dr Marshall done all he could to prevent passengers to assist in getting stores from being got up telling them they had no right to get up till 7 o'clock – (Signed) J Sanford By the Captain Margaret Murphy [also Mary Murphy] declares – I was appointed Matron by Doctor Marshall. I remember the day Mr Mason was put on duty – you ordered me to report to you if Mr Mason should speak to any single females – you asked me nearly every day if there was anything wrong with Mr Mason's conduct in respect to females – your conduct was that of a gentleman X By the Doctor  I saw Mr Mason speaking to Mrs Buck – your conduct was that of a gentleman on board By the Board  Before the dispute between [p 429] Captain & Doctor, I heard Doctor complain of familiarity between Officers & women – I have not heard Doctor insulted by any one on ship Re-examined by the Captain  You never spoke to me of this investigation since we came on shore – (Signed) Margaret Murphy  By the Captain  Maria Gill declares – I was Matron on leaving Liverpool, was aware of Mr Mason's misconduct – conduct of Officers & crew was generally good except Mr Mason – I never saw any misconduct on your part – I got 3 glasses of wine from cabin for myself & child – Doctor refused me medical comforts at the time [Margin: C E spirits?] – my child was in habit of getting cod liver oil & wine & I was getting Porter & wine from Doctor whenever he [p 430] thought them necessary – & he stopped it when Captain was applauded. I am certain I got it only thrice, for myself & daughter  X By the Doctor  Last time I went to you for brandy by Stringfellow I received it – next day I applied through Edward Brennan to you for either porter or wine or whatever you chose to send me – Brennan smiled & said Doctor told him to get it from Captain for you [Margin: C E ironically?] – but when Brennan was brought up he denied being sent by me – you did say to me unless I ceased getting stimulants from cabin & gave a guarantee yo		

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						should be responsible for all stores under my charge - & to be very particular in giving any one their weight & measure – you have several [p 432] times given me similar orders & to pay particular attention to all Doctor's orders which I done to best of my ability – Doctor had no particular time for issuing his orders – he would do so between 5 in morning & up to 10 at night – I did ask Doctor to appoint stated time for serving out medical comforts – Doctor replied he would make no time at all, he would send whenever he choose – he done all in his power to prevent me from getting assistance to serve out stores – at one time I received large order from Doctor for 7lbs flour – 2lbs sugar – 2 lbs raisins – 1 lb suet - & I think a half lb of butter – there was only one patient (Mrs Feron) in hospital at this time – this order was expressly for hospital [p 433] The next or following day, he got 4lbs flour – whenever there was any person in hospital, general quantity applied for & served out was 4 lbs flour – I have remonstrated with Doctor with respect to great quantity of water he was in habit of using – he replied am I to put on an allowance of water? & then said I shall have as much water as I choose, he got 4 gallons out water & washed his clothes with it – generally speaking he got 3 gallons of water every morning for use of hospital – to best of my knowledge there had not been patients in hospital half the time of voyage – I deny there had been any deficiency of preserved meat, but on discovery being made by Doctor I made deficiency good. You were not aware that I served one tin of preserved meat a day less than proper quantity — when you heard of discovery you ordered me to make deficiency good & to be sure of it – I have had several private conversations with Doctor – on one occasion I went into hospital to have my orders made up, & after I got that finished he asked me "Tapson do you know meaning of this?" meaning 1st Mate being restored to duty – I don't remember what I made – but he said it was a dam piec		
1						ship, that you had lost your character – I asked George Ingram to come to		

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						The cabin – he made a statement – which was [p 437] written down as he stated it – that statement was read over to him – he said it was true – he signed it with his own free will – no threat was held out to him – I remember the time Doctor came into cabin when statement (above mentioned) was about to be read – I do not think Doctor used gentlemanly language at the time – what I mean by ungentlemanly language is that Doctor said to Captain when ordered to leave cabin his saying that he had as good right to be there as Captain – I am not aware that Doctor interfered with orders of the sailing of the ship – Doctor asked me if he gave an order to man at the wheel to steer another course, would he do it, or no – I made answer that I thought he would not – I am not aware that Doctor tampered with crew – he [p 438] after passed remarks about you to me, very disagreeable for me to hear – for instance he thought that Captain did not know where he was – this was on occasion when an extraordinary cloud appeared on horizon – Doctor was standing on poop ladder, when Captain was on main topsail yard – Doctor looked up – he is up on loft is he – "land it is" – he does not know where he is – There has been more flour & butter served out to emigrants independent to medical comforts than they were actually entitled to – medical comforts were put on board for 22 weeks – They are all gone – I saw a passenger heave overboard a large piece of marine soap – Doctor ordered 1 cwt soap on [p 439] that day.  X By the Doctor I am not aware what the opinion of the Captain had of me, there was no difference in my conduct towards you – I never said dam your eyes when you asked me about hatch being open – I said it was a case of necessity – you said you did not care – you would not allow hatch to be opened at that hour of night, I said I should not ask you when I should take hatch off – I said nothing more rude than that – I never made you an apology – I did not tell you in evening that I was ashamed of Steward at what he said – I did not kno		

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						In lave been a Steward in large ships for 5 years — to best of my belief I understand my duty as Steward — invariably I have acted as steward to a good number of passengers — Doctor's conduct as a gentleman in cabin was far from that — the only 3 men who got grog after 1 <sup>st</sup> of November were the carpenter & 2 cooks — one night 4 of the emigrants got grog, they were very wet & had been assisting [p 447] men in hauling ropes — I remember address on deck — I have heard George Ingram, McDougall & Thomas Donnelly say Doctor was defaming your character — I believe Doctor was trying to influence crew & passengers against you — paper was not written previous to George Ingram's coming into cabin — statement was taken in his own words — you cautioned him to tell truth as perhaps he would be called on about it again — Doctor on entering cabin during taking of above statement, Doctor remarked that if anything underneath was going on he had as good a right to be there & hear it as anyone else — Doctor sat down — paper was read to him — & Captain [p 448] said there was nothing underneath going on his part, but there was on Doctor's part — Doctor used gross words — he defied you, said he had as good a right to be there as you had, & that he would do as he liked — you never mentioned to me one single word in any manner what I had to say on this investigation × By the Doctor Sugar you complained of was good — was a portion of old stores, it was nothing the worse for that — It was not dirty — Digby herrings were good, but some of them were not fit to put on table — & were not — I am not aware complaint was made to Captain Schomberg I never heard that Captain Schomberg had condemned cabin provisions — I consider cabin dinners very good plain dinners — We had five [p 449] cases of gin, one of which was for medical comforts — I did obey Captain's orders as far as I could — I have not used the grossest language possible to you — I never told you in presence of some passengers that you were an old dirty hospital doctor, & you might		
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			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 12 04~	At top: "B" "Immigration – 56/132 - 8 January 1856" Letter informing has his note & in reply states it is his belief if you have met with any annoyance you have been the first aggressor – in respect to your papers I know nothing - will muster ship's Company to inquire if you wish P S if you wish me to muster the crew please let me know		451
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			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 11 19	At top: "C" Letter requesting all passengers that are fit may appear on deck at 10.30am as he has something of vital importance to say		453 – 454
			Captain Sandford, "Fortune"	John Bright Marshall~ Surgeon Superintendent "Fortune"	1855 11 17	At top: "C2" Letter Informing you that what you have said has quite taken away my authority: On morning of 15 <sup>th</sup> inst we know what occurred, it was public - in the evening you told people privately that in your report of their conduct would depend the certainty or not of their getting good employment – that no doubt you should have as you have always had a mass of letters applying for blacksmiths, matrons, jailors etc - if you will make up a list of your names & occupations & give it to me I shall know who to recommend About 2 hours after this a most dreadful row occurred frightening married women & children – when constable said he would tell the Doctor they replied the Doctor be damned & you to [as it is], he had better not show his face here. Yesterday I investigated what occurred - decided on taking everything valuable? away - light out at 9pm - they would not submit & I was sent for, I took 7 men with me – told them I should stop their rations – they said you dare not, we know all about that now & your getting us up to pump at 4am – wait till you get to Morton Bay [as it is] & you shall hear more of it. I then had kegs etc removed – a good deal of conversation occurred – one shout was Captain has given us grog that is more than you have – we were then pelted & left in a shower composed of holy stone, oats &In my letter to you on 10 <sup>th</sup> inst I asked to see orders for spirits - I repeat it because I was told yesterday from you that gin was finished		455 – 456
				At sea George Ingram	1855 11 18	At top: "D" <u>Deposition of George Ingram</u> passenger on board "Fortune":  On Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> inst while I George Ingram was in the hospital the doctor asked me what Captain Sanford said on the poop – I told him Captain said if young boys put down their names & what trades they were, that he (Captain Sanford) would recommend them when they got there (Australia) Doctor then said Captain need not be trying to take away his authority on board this Ship – doctor further said Captain Sanford had been fined before, that he had sent orders which had been refused, things he the doctor thought necessary for sick people – doctor also said Captain Sanford had been fined in another ship before this & he had his character broke before he came in this ship "This deposition made in our presence – Thomas Mason – Chief Mate; Henry Tapson – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mate; Thomas Berry; Alexander McDougal  I <u>Patrick Moran</u> was present in hospital at the time & can assert to truth of above deposition made by said George Ingram - Patrick Moran [his mark]		457

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			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 11 15	At top: "E" Letter informing Mr English has been to him for an order to issue his wife's provisions - as you stopped them by order to Mr Topson [as it is – see also Tapson] I cannot interfere in matter but when you think proper to give an order for them, it shall be attended to		459
						[Cover] Dr Marshall		460
			Captain Sandford, "Fortune"	John Bright Marshall~ Surgeon Superintendent <i>"Fortune"</i>	1855 11 15	At top: "E2" In answer to your letter just received, states following facts: Last night man English came to me & said Captain's orders are that you put my wife on her regular rations & if you do not, he will – this morning contrary to my positive? orders he has taken his wife out of hospital – I told him if he did she should have no rations & I would stop his – large blotted area – illegible in parts] he said~ I don't care, Captain will~ give me rations if you do not~ – he promised it before James~ Join [as it is – Goan?] and another the Captain James Join I found it correct – I replied if that is the case you must do as you like but I will not take responsibility – Captain may if he will – Mrs Johnson & Stringfellow were present as also James Join		461 – 462
			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 11 10	At top: "F" Letter informing on examination he finds account of spirits & wines stands thus: 17 bottles Brandy received off which only 10 bottles 6oz accounted for; 10 bottles Gin received off which only 1 bottle 20oz accounted for; 19 bottles Wine received off which only 8 bottles 9½oz accounted for – requests in future you make out orders & send them to Steward & I will see they are properly attended to		463 – 464
						[Cover] - Doctor Marshall		465
			Captain Sandford Barque "Fortune"	John Bright Marshall~ Surgeon Superintendent of Barque <i>"Fortune"</i>	1855 11 10	At top: "G" In answer to your letter of this morning: happy to send orders to Steward — when we investigated first robbery of bottle of port wine I told you how Stringfellow arranged it & it was very likely he might forget to put down ounces but impossible a bottle could be used without our knowing it, he never giving anything without my order — Stringfellow told you as I had done he would rather Tapson give it out — you replied you would not trust him with wines & spirits & would rather it remained as it was - that if bottles were right in orders you did not care about detail — was settled that a lock be put on cupboard & things go on as usual — second time I told you bottle of port wine was gone & you decided that bottle of brandy had been watered, we with assistance of Stringfellow (who thoroughly explained how he proceeded) we both told you it would be better for Tapson to give it out — you then said again that you would not trust him, that you were up to the tricks & they could not catch you — was then decided that Stringfellow should take it again till another attempt, sleeping in hospital trying to catch thief — should another attempt occur at watering or taking, then you would give it into hands of Steward making him responsible for every drop — I sent		466 – 467

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						to Steward yesterday how to let me see orders of certain days & asked him myself this morning but have not succeeded – an order was sent this morning, please let it be returned – I received a message from Steward saying orders should be sent at 12 & 4 – this arrangement I will comply with as much as possible		
						[Cover] - Capt Sandford		468
			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 11 10	At top: "G2" Informing has your letter of this days date & say if your account of spirits & wines served out had within 2 or 3 bottles accounted to the quantity you had received, I would not have taken measure I have done, but falling so exceedingly short, there has been some very groce [as it is] neglect & was compelled to decide as I have done to give a proper account of stores		469
						[Cover] - Dr Marshall / "Fortune"		470
			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 11 13	At top: "(H)" Letter stating informed by Mr Tapson that you have reappointed Mr Neal to see occasionally the proper quantity of stores served out according to scales of provisions for passengers – requests you will appoint a competent man always to be in attendance when stores are served out & that he may have instructions to see that passengers get full quantity of provisions – likewise inform you in future when passengers have received their rations & gone away without speaking about being dissatisfied in respect to quantity, there shall not be any deficiency made up		471 – 472
						[Cover] – Doctor Marshall		473
			Captain Sandford "Fortune"	John Bright Marshall~ Surgeon Superintendent <i>"Fortune"</i>	1855 11 13	At top: "(I)" In reply to your letter of this morning, I ask you, as before to appoint proper time for serving out stores - has been & is still so irregularly done that William Neal says it is impossible for any man to attend to it – that is the reason why he left it, for neither he or anyone else knows time they are served out for it changes every day. I wish to know if it be correct, as Mr Tapson has stated, that I am refused all orders excepting such as are in my Medical List of Comforts – 3 orders were refused yesterday & 2 this morning but have not yet been returned asked for		474 – 475
			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 11 14	At top: "K" In answer to your letter of last night, informs there has been a time appointed for serving out provisions & likewise persons appointed to see passengers got justice due them – those persons were removed by you & unknown to me, Mr Tapson has been serving out stores for some time without third party present – he said it was impossible for any one to be punctual to time for your extra orders are so irregular (from 5am to 10pm) that no person can attend to all - however there is now a time appointed & I expect you to be punctual as well as others In respect to Medical Comforts: they are at your pleasure & shall be issued according to your orders at time appointed Passengers have not got their whole quantity of peas, rice & potatoes - whatever may be short, which was stopped by your orders, may be served		476 – 477

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						out if you wish it – your orders over & above quantity of stores which passengers are entitled to cannot be attended to unless you can convince me it is a case of necessity		
						[Cover] - Doctor Marshall / "Fortune"		478
			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 11 14	At top: "L" Letter expressing extreme surprise today to discover stowaway passenger under your eyes on board this ship receiving rations daily as one of the passengers – will speak further on subject when we arrive at Moreton Bay		479
						[Cover] – Doctor Marshall		480
			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 11 21	At top: " <b>M</b> "  Extremely unwell confined to my bed for last 2 days – when better will attend to your request At end: "Excuse pencil"		481
						[Cover] – Doctor Marshall [Capt Sanford, "Fortune"]		482
			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 11 26	At top: "N" Letter informing heard you have a confinement – know it will be inconvenient for you – your room in the Cabin is ready when you choose to occupy it		483
						[Cover] – Doctor Marshall		484
			Captain Sanford	John Bright Marshall~ Surgeon Superintendent "Fortune"	1855 11 27	At top: "O" Informing Maria Gill has applied to him for wine etc – that I might judge if she requires it, must apply to you to know how much you allow her & last quantity you gave her & when		485
			Captain Sanford "Fortune"	John Bright Marshall~ Surgeon Superintendent "Fortune"	1855 11 30	At top: " <b>P</b> " Hand rail complained of yesterday & repaired by carpenter is done in such a way that I think it dangerous – will you see it remedied as soon as possible – have not received Latitudes etc asked for in my letter of 21 <sup>st</sup> inst		486 – 487
			Doctor Marshall	J Sanford	1855 11 30	At top: "Q" Letter informing not aware you complained of hand rail being broken: hearing it was broken from carpenter I went to give instructions about its repair - finding both plates broken & not having blacksmiths forge on board they could not be replaced – rope was placed in stead – have not time to attend to trifling duties now as we are in Basses Strates [as it is – Bass Strait] & safety of all on board depends on my attendance to the ship		488
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			Capt Sanford "Fortune"	John Bright Marshall~ Surgeon Superintendent "Fortune"	1855 12 01	At top: "R" Letter asking "am I to understand you refuse me the position of the ship asked for in my letters of 21st & 30th ult"		490
			Captain Sanford	John Bright Marshall~	1855 12 04	At top: "S"		491 – 492

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			Captain Sanford "Fortune"	John Bright Marshall~ Surgeon Superintendent "Fortune"	1855 12 05	At top: "T" Letter stating perceives passengers have less allowance of sugar than usual & not apparently as good – will you rectify this		493
			Doctor Marshall~ [not noted]	Moreton Bay J Sanford	1855 12 09	At top: "U" [part obscured] Letter requesting as follows, viz: List of deaths: Names of deceased – Parents names in full & professions and dates List of Births: Parents names in full and dates [Writing paper used has letterhead: JAMES BAINES & CO – Black Ball Line of Australian Packets, Office 6 Cook Street, LIVERPOOL]		494
			Capt Sanford "Fortune"	Moreton Bay John Bright Marshall~	1855 12 10	At top: "V" Letter informing undermentioned are a List of Deaths & Births asked for in yours of yesterday, namely:  Deaths Edwin G England – 24 September James McDougall – 28 September George Chard – 28 September Patrick Cahill – 2 October Neil McKenzie – 24 October Births Fearon – female – 20 October English – male – 6 November Cahill – male – 25 November McClancy – male – 4 December [also spelt McClancey] P S Would there be any objection to my taking a few things from the Medical Stock to supply my deficiencies		495 – 496
			Doctor Marshall	Moreton Bay J Sanford	1855 12 12	At top: " <b>W</b> "  Letter re his note of 10 <sup>th</sup> – had I waited for your List of Deaths and Births ship would been heavily fined, I have done without it – in respect to medicine I cannot give you an answer yet  [Writing paper used has letterhead: JAMES BAINES & CO – Black Ball Line of Australian Packets, Office 6 Cook Street, LIVERPOOL]		497 – 498
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			Doctor Marshall "Fortune"	Moreton Bay J Sanford	1855 12 13	At top: "X" Letter calling his attention to dirty state of between decks – should Commissioners come on board & find ship in present state they would put her in quarantine~ [Writing paper used has letterhead: JAMES BAINES & CO – Black Ball Line of Australian Packets, Office 6 Cook Street, LIVERPOOL]		500

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			Capt Sanford "Fortune"	Moreton Bay John Bright Marshall~ Surgeon Superintendent "Fortune"	1855 12 13	At top: "Y"  Letter in reply to yours just received: I have visited between decks & find it as clean as it can be without Holystone [see also holy stone] of which we have been deficient about 3 weeks – everyone below has been asked & they find it quite clean & comfortable, save smoke coming up from Galley & stench from the Hole which is nearly always open – it was open at 5 this morning & is open now; a few days since, when it was opened at 10pm for accommodation of your Crew I was told I would have my bloody face smashed if I interfered with them – spoke to Officer who said he did care a dam for me, he would open hatchways any hour of night & keep them so as long as he pleased without consulting me, he had his Captain to look to, that was quite enough for him. Sheep skins are complained of – please cause them to be removed – have found boy Joe between decks, from one of the Officers, with pair of black cloth trousers to be washed by one of the women – please prevent this		502 – 504
			Doctor Marshall	Moreton Bay J Sanford	1855 12 15	At top: ["Z"]~ [obscured] Letter informing Mr Stringfellow came to me to know whether you could sleep on the poop – inform you as I have done on a former occasion that you can occupy your own room in the Cabin		505
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						LETTER FORWARDING REPORT OF LOCAL BOARD ON THE IMMIGRANT SHIP "FORTUNE", p 507-523		
			Immigration Agent, Sydney	Brisbane, Moreton Bay J C Wickham W A Duncan A C Kemball, Assistant Immigration Agent	1856 01 02	At top: "Assistant Immigration Agent" Reporting Immigrants per "Fortune" underwent customary inspection by Board on 18 <sup>th</sup> ult [Margin: 56/00813] – they appeared in good health & condition generally but not in opinion of Board to be altogether of so desirable a class as many who have lately come under their observation – many immigrants alleged complaints against Surgeon Superintendent chiefly for depriving them of medical comforts [Margin: 56/432] - complaints were fully investigated by Board, after close of protracted inquiry instituted for purpose of examining into charges preferred by Surgeon Superintendent of "Fortune" against Master of Vessel - Board have entered their decisions in the Inspection List relative to the p 508: above complaints & opposite names of respective complainants from which it will appear that they have for most part been regarded by Board as frivolous, it may be added vexatious, emanating from spirit of disaffection so commonly displayed by immigrants where porter, wine & other stimulants are withheld from them – the more than usual clamours raised against Doctor Marshall may further be attributed to circumstances which will come under your notice in Board's observations herein to be submitted to you relative to lengthened enquiry referred to. Although Board are ready to give Dr Marshall full credit for his care of & general attention to immigrants, are of opinion he has partly brought upon himself charges in question, by a certain harshness of manner & on some occasions coarseness of language which under provocation he indulged in, p 509: tending to lessen respect of those around him & consequently his own authority whilst difficult & no doubt painful position in which he was placed, should have rendered him the more circumspect – Board are		507 - 523

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						further of opinion there was want of system in serving out medical comforts, but regarding which certain difficulties were, it is evident, placed in his way especially by First Mate (Mason) – Board is satisfied Dr Marshall was honestly desirous of carrying out his instructions & stipulations of Charter Party, & his partial failure was they think to be traced to a certain want of judgment and experience on his part, involving him in disputes with Captain & which unquestionably had their origin in infamous conduct of First Mate. Much difficulty experienced in arranging evidence brought before Board, so as to apply it to various charges made by Dr Marshall & contained in letter addressed to p 510: Immigration Agent – distinctly & separately – Board unable to arrive at satisfactory conclusion as to extent of Captain Sandford's [as it is] culpability in his treatment of Surgeon, or of provocations offered by the latter, according to statement made by Captain in his recrimination, but the latter has failed in proving to satisfaction of Board that Dr Marshall interfered with navigation of vessel – or with Captain Sandford's duties in any way. Difficulty alluded to has arisen not so much from conflicting evidence, as in Board's belief, the impossibility of eliciting the whole truth from either unwilling or prejudiced witnesses – charges preferred by Dr Marshall in letter alluded to are as follows-  1 <sup>81</sup> For having put 1 <sup>81</sup> Mate off duty on 24 <sup>81</sup> September & giving self, schoolmaster & others many good reasons apparently for doing so, & putting him on again on 10 <sup>81</sup> November without consulting me; contrary to his promise expressed before witnesses  p 511: 2 <sup>81</sup> For doing all in his power to put Officers & crew against me 3 <sup>81</sup> For having distributed spirits to immigrants — the married — single women and men — money has also been distributed by Steward  4 <sup>81</sup> For having distributed spirits to immigrants — the married — single women and men — money has also been distributed by Steward  5 <sup>81</sup> For having distributed spi		

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REF NO	NO	RECD		PROW	DOCUMENT	p 513: suppressed, & although Captain openly discountenanced such insults, is evident there was understanding that they could be practised with impunity so long as Captain & Surgeon continued at variance Third charge has not been clearly proved, Board may here remark that such charges are difficult to be substantiated as recipients of articles alluded to will never admit the truth to the prejudice of individuals who may gratify their wants With reference to Fourth charge Board consider Captain highly reprehensible for inviting emigrants into Cabin under any circumstances without Surgeon's sanction – such an act moreover must have tended to foment the disturbances then existing on board & weaken p 514: Surgeon's authority over emigrants; although graver charge against Captain that he urged parties to sign documents, contents of which they were ignorant, may not be true, Captain Sandford acted most injudiciously in inducing them to sign documents in any way relating to disputes between himself & Dr Marshall Fifth & Sixth charges have not been established – at the same time Board is aware disagreements between Surgeon & Captain & of which Immigrants took every possible advantage, naturally tended to impede him in execution of his duties & to encourage emigrants to make complaints to Captain & seek his sympathy – as an illustration of p 515: this, Board refers you to evidence of Bridget English produced by Captain apparently with object of criminating – Surgeon rather than of defending himself – this woman attempted to prove that Surgeon had starved her whilst under his care, thus justifying Captain for ordering her rations without Surgeon's permission - but husband's admission on his cross examination, & to which Board refers you, fully answers the case, & of a similar character as regards attempt to criminate Surgeon for neglect of his professional duty may be considered the evidence of Maria Gill, who had been very properly discharged from her situation as Matron by Surgeon Superintendent  As to Seventh charge,		PAGE
						object of his being summonsed to Cabin – such obedience to Captain was in direct opposition to Surgeon's authority		

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						Tenth charge could not be proved without evidence of Pilot as far as regards provocation which induced Captain Sandford to order Surgeon off p 518: Poop — well known at such periods when people are naturally curious & excited on approaching harbour, difficult to keep them below in obedience to Pilot's wishes — very probable on present occasion Dr Marshall, in attempting to enforce an order which from weakness of his authority he could not carry out, created confusion which was misconstrued by Captain as interference Stoppage of milk & other medical comforts which constitutes Eleventh charge was so far proved that Board is satisfied Dr Marshall had not then entire control of them — from some cause or other frequent misunderstandings arose in respect to this branch of his duty & for which 13 & 3 officers were more especially reprehensible p 519: In addition to above charges formally made by Dr Marshall, he complained that certain of his papers had been extracted from box in hospital, as he believed by 1 Mate — evidence of hospital assistant (Stringfellow) in support of this charge as also with regard to mutilated condition of both the Surgeon's Journals is only presumptive Surgeon's statement would have had greater weight (as there certainly were inducements for Mate to erase those entries) had Journals in other respects been kept in proper order & occurrences more carefully & correctly noted down, whereas there is a confusion pervading them throughout with remarks unbecoming in an official document & for which Dr p 520: Marshall's plea of inexperience in such duties may be admitted Dr Marshall further complained of the dietary at Captain's table — this charge as he had in concert with 1st Mate treated Surgeon with great indignity arising no doubt from opposition which latter offered to their familiarities with female passengers & Board informs that 1st Mate now in Gaol under sentence of overheaved who was called by Captain to refute this charge as he had in concert with 1st Mate treated Surgeon with great indign		

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						<b>p 523:</b> recommend Captain be mulcted in the whole of his gratuity & be reprimanded; & Surgeon be admonished, if again employed in service to be more circumspect in his general conduct & maintenance of his authority Also at top: "Immigration – 56/100 – 7 January 1855"		
	56/01734	1856 02 18	Hon CS	H M Gaol, Brisbane J C Wickham, Visiting Justice	1856 02 12 1856 02 18~ 1856 02 20~ 1856 02 20~	At top: "Visiting Justice of H M Gaol Brisbane" Transmitting copy of Warrant of Committal in case of William Henry Moss Isaac, with Certificate from 2 qualified medical practitioners – requests authority to enable him to forward him to Lunatic Asylum Tarban Creek & Notes in margin This is regular with exception Isaac should have been certified to be "insane" not of unsound mind – Warrant herewith Returned Visiting Justice	A2.35	524
	56/01734		Gaoler, Brisbane	Police Office, Brisbane John Brewster JP "seal"	1856 01 02	"Copy" New South Wales – To Wit: Summary Jurisdiction Name: William Henry Moss Isaac Crime: Drunkenness & behaving in riotous manner in Russell Street, Brisbane Punishment: 3 months imprisonment with hard labour in Brisbane Gaol		525
	56/01734			Brisbane Gaol K Cannan, Visiting Surgeon Frederick James Barton	1856 02 11	[Certificate] We undersigned being legally qualified Medical Practitioners certify that man examined William Henry Moss Isaac of Brisbane, seaman, & that we find him to be of unsound mind, & a fit & proper object for reception into Lunatic Asylum - further certify that in our opinion said William Henry Moss Isaac would be benefitted by treatment in said Asylum Dated Brisbane Gaol this 11 <sup>th</sup> of February 1856 "Sworn before me at Brisbane this 11 day of February 1856 — J C Wickham JP"		526
	56/01750	1856 02 18	Hon CS	Brisbane James H Robertson	1856 02 12	At top: "J H Robertson"  Letter re account against Mr Wishart lately Pilot at Moreton Island for £4-16-8 as per enclosed account &, as he has left sum in Government hands for wages & cannot be found or traced out, requesting he direct amount of his account be paid to him – has lost £15-17-0 by Thomas Anderson that was drowned & small sum by A Gould [as it is – see also Joseph Gould] that was lost at same time & trusts he will not lose this also	A2.35	527
	56/01750		Colonial Secretary			[PRINTED] NORTH BRISBANE1855 Mr Wishart of Pilot Station Bought of JAMES H ROBERTSON Wholesale and Retail Grocer GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, SEEDS, FLOUR, RICE, WINE, BRUSHES, STATIONERY, ETC March – To amount of account rendered £4-16-8		528
						[Cover] The Honble the Colonial Secretary / Sydney [postmarked: BRISBANE~ -FE*14 [very faint - part obscured]		529

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				"W E"	1856 02 21~ 1856 02 22~	[Small square cut from letter – to remove postage stamp?] & Notes re above Auditor General – Blank Cover Noted		
				"J S"	1856 02 29	Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 234-FE*23 Balance of about £9 due to Wishart for salary - conceive it would be casting a very precedent to pay claims of this sort - Wishart may not be dead		
					1856 03 01~ 1856 03 01~	& if he is this money belongs to his representatives – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Mr Robertson may be informed there is small balance of salary due to Mr Wishart but it can only be paid to himself or his duly authorised agent or representative		
				"W D"	1856 03 03~ 1856 03 08	Very well Mr Robertson		
	56/01765	1856 02 23	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 02 18	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" "8/" Acknowledging receipt of CS Circular 6 <sup>th</sup> inst No 14 – informs 2000 copies of Census Form A have been received [No 56/85]	A2.35	530
	56/00401	1856 01 14	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 01 09	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" "8/" Letter informing 2000 copies of Form A will be required for this District (ref CS Circular 28 <sup>th</sup> December No 166) [No 56/18] Also at top: "Reporting number of Form A required for District pursuant to Census Act" &	A2.35	531
				"M F"	1856 01 14~ 1856 01 15	Notes in margin Only 500 in 1851 – ask why so many required Mr N Government Resident Moreton Bay		
	56/00405	1856 01 14	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 01 07	At top: "8/" Letter with reference to Act of Council 5 Vict 19 re Census: requests information whether requisite Forms & Notices are to be supplied to him from Sydney or whether to cause them to be prepared here [No 56/13] &	A2.35	532
				"M F"	1856 01 14~	Notes in margin Refer him to Circular & say forms will be sent from Sydney Mr N		
	56/01025	1856 01 28	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 01 15 1856 01 21	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" "8/" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 15 <sup>th</sup> inst 56/8 requiring explanation re number of Forms A needed (in connection with Census Act): informs so many separate dwellings scattered over District, occupied by labourers & their families, besides number of houses in North & South Brisbane, & Fortitude Valley & the German Station, thinks nearly 2000 copies will be necessary to secure proper Return, especially as thinks provision be made to meet great probability of some cases of loss & some of spoiling the Forms – moreover arrival of Immigrant Ship & number of immigrants in Depot would alone require considerable numbers - Electoral Roll for Police District of Brisbane shows 1094 qualified freeholders & householders & are still many more who have not registered their qualifications as Voters - would not want unnecessary expense to be	A2.35	533 – 534

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				"M F"	1856 01 28~ 1856 01 29~	copies to spare than be in want of them [No 56/44] & Notes in margin Has already sent 1500 copies of the form, number of houses at last Census being only 500 - quite clear Capt Wickham does not quite understand the use of forms otherwise he would not quote Immigration Depot as requiring large numbers – it is just that class of Establishment that requires smallest expenditure of Forms – thus 1 of these Forms will record 30 names, & every half sheet 20 more so if inmates of Depot amount to 260 then number of forms required would be only 10 - to prevent inconvenience perhaps 500 more be sent – has very little doubt that supply thus augmented will be about double what will prove to be necessary Approved		
					1856 01 30	Government Resident Moreton Bay		
	56/01767	1856 02 23	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 02 18 1856 02 25~ 1856 03 04~ 1856 03 10	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 11 <sup>th</sup> inst No 13291 for transmission to Committee of District Hospital, announcing to that body the Grant by Legislative Council of £100 [No 56/87] Para 2: In consequence of funding by "Appropriation Act" that sum of £300 was voted for Brisbane Hospital, takes it upon himself to withhold above letter until has received further instructions & Notes in margin W V It was a mistake – sum voted is £300 Inform Government Resident Government Resident	A2.35	535
				"W D"	1856 01 28 1856 01 30~ 1856 01 31 1856 02 11	At top: "M13291 – 5 <sup>th</sup> February 1856" 'Register" In aid of the Hospital at Brisbane on condition of an equal amount being raised by private contributions the sum of £100 has been voted on the Estimates for 1856. The Committee of Management may be informed &  Notes in margin For approval  Committee [Ref 56/01767]		536
	56/01773	1856 02 23	Hon CS	Police Office, Ipswich Charles George Gray, Police Magistrate	1856 02 18 1856 02 23~ 1856 02 25~ 1856 02 26~	At top: "Police Magistrate Ipswich" Letter requesting that enclosed Notices [not filmed here] may be sent to Government Gazette for insertion Also at top: "Relative to insertion in Gazette of Notice of Transfer of Licence day & appointment of Pound Keeper" & Notes in margin M F Request Government Resident Moreton Bay to inform him that Notices have been sent to Printer but that he should forward such Notices direct to that Officer in future Government Resident	A2.35	537
	56/01784	1856 02 20	Hon CS	Audit Office, Sydney	1856 02 19	At top: "Acting Auditor General"	A2.35	538 – 539
				John Stirling		Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 12 <sup>th</sup> inst 56/00741 notifying appointment of R E G Johnson as Clerk to Government Resident at Moreton Bay:		

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						transmits Abstract duly certified by Government Resident [not filmed here] in which Mr Johnson is included for Pay from 1 January last - requests he be informed whether Governor General is pleased to authorise payment of full amount claimed [No 112] &		
					1856 02 20~ 1856 02 21~	Notes in margin W V As Captain Wickham certified Mr Johnson has been employed since  1 <sup>st</sup> January, conclude he should be paid at rate voted by Council viz £200		
				"W D"	1856 02 23	per annum from that date "E D T" Yes		
				WB	1856 02 27	Auditor General		
	56/00741	1856 01 21	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham Government Resident	1856 01 14	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Acknowledging CS Circular No 167 dated 31 December 1855 & in reference to 2 <sup>nd</sup> paragraph: informs, from communication received from Private Secretary to His Excellency authorising him to nominate gentleman to fill Office of Clerk to Government Resident, has nominated Ralph Edward Godschall Johnson to that Office & recommends him for approval [No 56/32] & Notes in margin	A2.35	540
				"W E"	1856 01 21 1856 01 22~	Provision? Auditor General – blank cover – to be returned Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 100-JA*22		
				"J S"	1856 01 25 1856 01 28~ 1856 02 01~ 1856 02 04~	£200 voted for this service – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office For the Executive Council Yes – blank cover – noted		
				VV L	1650 02 04~	Notes re above  Executive  56/57 – 4 February 1856		541
				Michael Fitzpatrick, Clerk of the Legislative Council	1856 02 06 1856 02 07~	Council approve of R E G Johnson being appointed as such Clerk accordingly - noted – No 56/32 Returned Colonial Secretary's Office		
				"W D"	1856 02 07 1856 02 12	Approved Auditor General, Government Resident [Ref 56/01784]		
	56/01795			Michael Fitzpatrick, Clerk of the Council	1856 02 28	Note Executive Council advise that Thomas de Lacy Moffatt be appointed Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Clarence & Darling Downs - Noted 28 <sup>th</sup> February 1856 – No 56/72	A2.35	542
				"W D"	1856 02 28~ 1856 02 28~	& Notes in margin Commission & Notice herewith [not filmed here] - Immediate Approved Gazette		
	56/01795			"M F"	1856 02 29 1856 02 25~	Mr Moffatt, Mr McLean, Speaker  Note Mr Clark Irving, candidate for District, called to represent desirability of		543 – 544

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				"W D" "W E" "M F"	1856 02 26 1856 02 26 1856 02 26 1856 02 28~	changing nomination from Drayton to Grafton on grounds that latter is centre of larger number of electors - own impression is rather in favour of this change for various reasons which need not here be pressed - if Government disposed to entertain the question, the present is favourable opportunity – is also told no difficulty in procuring services of Returning Officer at Grafton – whilst there is probability of Mr Moffatt (within named) himself becoming a candidate &  Notes in margin Executive Council Blank cover – noted Executive 56/127 – 26 February 1856 Circulated by command of His Excellency the Governor General Since writing this has found voters at Drayton on last List are 129 whilst those at Grafton are only 83		
	56/01795	1856 02 23	Hon CS	Westbrook, Drayton J D McLean	1856 02 12	At top: "Returning Office Clarence & Darling Downs" Letter informing in consequence of his intended departure for England about beginning of April next, necessary to resign his office at once as Returning Officer for Electoral District of Clarence and Darling Downs which he tenders for His Excellency's acceptance: suggests lately appointed Police Magistrate for this District (Mr Manning) should hold office — in event of his appointment as Police Magistrate being considered by Government an objection, recommends Thomas De Lacey Moffatt JP Drayton as suitable person to perform duties of Returning Officer for District & Note in margin — M F		545
				"M F"	1856 02 28~	Note re above  Not at all probable that Mr Manning's name is on Roll – Mr Moffatt is fitting person & perhaps he would excuse the act if under the circumstances  Government appointed him without asking his considerance? "Immediate"		546
	56/01797	1856 02 23	Hon CS	Brisbane Daniel F Roberts  W Elyard for the CS	1856 02 18 1856 02 23~ 1856 02 25 1856 02 26~	At top: "D F Roberts"  Letter on behalf of purchaser William Handcock requesting Deed of Grant of Allotment 7 Section 6 situated at the Swamp near Drayton be prepared & Notes in margin W M  Treasurer will be so good as to state day of the sale Blank Cover – to be returned Noted	A2.35	547
				Revenue Branch, Colonial Treasury, Sydney W Newbold	1856 02 29 1856 03 01 1856 03 03~ 1856 03 06	Notes re above Mr Handcock purchased land alluded to at Sale held at Drayton on 11 <sup>th</sup> November 1853, Deed of Grant for allotment in question forwarded to Clerk of Petty Sessions Drayton for delivery to Grantee on 10 <sup>th</sup> September 1855 - Blank cover No 162 "E W H" Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Inform Mr Roberts Mr Roberts		548 – 549

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	56/01837	1856 02 26	Hon CS	Gladstone H V Stonhouse, Clerk of Petty Sessions	1856 02 05 1856 02 28~ 1856 02 28	At top: "Clerk of Petty Sessions"  Letter informing on his arrival at Port Curtis Government Resident apprised him that sum of money would be allowed him for his passage according to rates allowed to other married Officers: up to this date states he has received no intimation of amount being placed to his credit - would appreciate it if he would cause amount to be refunded to him, if not already done [No 2/55 – as it is – 2/56?]  & Notes in margin W V  Authorized 30 <sup>th</sup> June 1854 – Auditor General requested to state whether	A2.35	550 - 551
				"W E"	1856 02 29~	amount has been placed in Warrant - blank cover – to be returned  Noted		
				** =	1000 02 20	Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 251-FE*29		
				"J S"	1856 03 08	No Warrant appears to have been prepared for this charge - as expense has been authorised amount can be paid to Mr Stonhouse on his producing Voucher for payment of his passage from Maryborough to Port Curtis – not aware of any rate payable to married Officers as claimed by Mr Stonhouse – this would form charge against reserved balance of Territorial Revenue –		
					1856 03 11~	there is no special permission for such expenses – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office		
					1856 03 13~	Approved accordingly		
					1856 03 19	Mr Stonhouse [Ref 54/05430 – very faint]		
	54/05430	1854 06 20	Government Resident, Port Curtis	Gladstone H V Stonhouse	1854 05 15	At top: "Clerk of Petty Sessions Gladstone"  Letter requesting him to forward his application to be allowed £10 as passage money from Maryborough to Port Curtis as allowed to other Government Officers on their appointment to Gladstone  & Notes in margin	A2.35	552 - 553
				M C O'Connell, Government Resident, Gladstone	1854 05 18	Recommends this application to favourable consideration of His Excellency as not unreasonable there being no road overland by which Mr Stonehouse [as it is] could have travelled		
				"C A F"	1854 05 21~ 1854 06 30	Approved Government Resident, Acting Auditor General [Ref 56/01837]		
	56/01838	1856 02 20	Hon CS	Audit Office, Sydney John Stirling  "M F"	1856 02 19 1856 02 21~ 1856 02 22~	At top: "Acting Auditor General" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 15 <sup>th</sup> October 1855 No 1438 [Margin: 55/10489] intimating appointment of G Appel as Inspector of Sheep under Scab Act - submits Abstract forwarded to this Office for payment in which that gentleman claims pay from 1 <sup>st</sup> of that month to 31 December 1855 [No 44] Para 2: Computation is correct & Government Resident Moreton Bay certifies Mr Appel was actually employed in the situation during the whole of the period charged Para 3: Requests to be informed whether Governor General sanctions payment of salary from date claimed & Notes in margin M F Under Captain Wickham's Certificate account may I conclude be paid	A2.35	554 – 555
				"W D"	1856 02 23			
					1856 02 27	Auditor General		
	55/12757	1855 12 22	Hon CS	South Brisbane	1855 12 17	At top: "Scab Inspector Appel"	A2.35	556

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				George Appel, Inspector  "M F" "C D R"	1855 12 22~ 1855 12 24~ 1855 12 27~ 1856 01 02	Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 15 <sup>th</sup> October No 55/183 enclosing copy of Scab in Sheep Act of last year: now applying for copy of new Act recently passed, enabling him to comply with any alterations & additions made – if any new instructions seeks to have them communicated to him at same time & Notes in margin M F Letter 10489 reappointing him will be accompanied by copy of new Act Very well Mr Appel [Ref 56/1838]		
						[Cover] To the Right Hon / The Colonial Secretary / Sydney [postmarked: BRISBANE-NEW S.WALES / DE*19 [part obscured] Small square cut from letter – to remove postage stamp?]		557
	55/10489	1855 10 08	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident	1855 10 03	At top: "Government Resident at Moreton Bay"  Letter re Inspector under Scab in Sheep Act 18 Victoria No 26 for Districts of Brisbane & Ipswich & directing him to name competent person for appointment (ref CS letter 4 <sup>th</sup> September No 55/09100 / 55/09102)  [No 55/258]  Para 2: Informs he referred subject to Benches of Magistrates at Brisbane & Ipswich – names George Appel of Brisbane being recommended as fit person for appointment for approval &	A2.35	558 - 559
				"C D R" "W D"	1855 10 09~ 1855 10 10 1855 10 15	Notes in margin Mr George Appel may be appointed at £80 a year  Auditor, Government Resident, Mr Appel Notice in Gazette 16 <sup>th</sup> October [Ref 55/12757]		
	55/09100	1855 08 27	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident	1855 08 21	At top: "Government Resident at Moreton Bay"  Letter re finding competent person to be appointed Inspector under Scab in Sheep Act (ref CS letter): informs that, as he considers stock holders to be persons chiefly interested in such an appointment, has been in contact with some of the most influential squatters in these Districts & requested them to forward name of person whom they think best qualified to fulfil duties of the Office [No 55/204]  Para 2: With respect to extent of Inspector's jurisdiction: fully concurs in opinion expressed by Bench of Magistrates Ipswich [Margin: See 55/09102] that one Inspector sufficient for Police District of Brisbane & Ipswich & questions whether it would be advisable to extend his duties beyond these limits, because, excepting when called on special cases to examine sheep in country, his duty will require his constant attendance in Brisbane to inspect sheep which may arrive in River in Steamers & other coasting vessels as ship's stock, as well as sheep imported from Europe or other parts beyond the seas  Para 3: Considering it will be necessary for Inspector to board every vessel that arrives in Port, & consequently that he must reside in Brisbane, does not think services of such a person as will be considered eligible will be procured for minimum salary £50 per annum — therefore requests to be informed what amount of salary will be given, in consideration of the duties to be performed which will be far more onerous than in a Country District	A2.35	560 – 564

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				"M F"	1855 08 27~ 1855 08 27~	& Notes in margin M F There are 84,404 sheep in Police Districts of Brisbane & Ipswich – has been customary to allot £50 as salary for the Inspector in such cases; but Government Resident states he does not consider that services of		
				"C D R"	1855 08 28~	competent person can be procured for such amount It is a usual employment for Scab Inspector to be employed in boarding ships – this surely could be done by some other person – thinks £80 might be allowed for this number of sheep		
				"W D"	1855 08 31 1855 09 04	Very well Government Resident "End of month" [Ref 55/10489]		
	55/10489	1855 10 08	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident	1855 10 03	[Duplicate copy of letter at p 558-559]	A2.35	565 – 566
	55/07847	1855 07 19	Hon CS	Police Office, Brisbane W A Duncan JP Henry Buckley JP R R MacKenzie JP	1855 07 12	At top: "Bench of Magistrates Brisbane"  Letter with reference to their letter to CS of 24 <sup>th</sup> February last stating they were of opinion Inspector under Scab in Sheep Act was not then necessary in this Police Office (ref CS Circular on subject [Margin: 19 January 1855]): now inform that some undoubted cases of Scab having since been brought under their notice in this & adjoining Districts, are of opinion that well qualified Inspector should be appointed without delay in order that disease be effectually eradicated [No 55/175]	A2.35	567 – 568
				"M F"	1855 07 20~ 1855 07 20~	Notes in margin M F Bench or Government Resident should submit name of competent person		
				"C D R"	1855 07 20~ 1855 07 00~	for the Office Yes What no of sheep? 24,070 sheep Government Resident		
				"M F"		& Notes re above		
					1855 07 21~	Enquires as to salary to be allowed in this case – at Wellington where there are 49,000 sheep Inspector receives £50 per annum – there are 24,000 sheep in Brisbane District		
				"C D R"	1855 07 21~	Magistrates allude also to neighbouring District so that £50 a year may be allowed – perhaps they should be upon to the Districts [difficult to read]		
					1855 07 24~	Government Resident "End of August" [Ref 55/09100]		
	55/09102	1855 08 27	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident	1855 08 21	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Forwarding letter from Bench of Magistrates Ipswich in reply to CS Circular of last January respecting appointment of Inspector under Scab in Sheep Act 18 Vict. No 26 [No 55/203]	A2.35	569
				"M F" "C D R"	1855 08 27~ 1855 08 27 1855 08 28~	Notes in margin M F See 55/09100 To wait until Bench reports some suitable person		

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	56/01870	1856 02 22	Hon CS	Attorney General's Office, Sydney J H Plunkett, Attorney General W M Manning, Solicitor General	1856 02 19 1856 02 23~ 1856 02 26 1856 02 29	At top: "Attorney General & Solicitor General" Letter reporting on Memorial of Charles Emmerson, applying for Auctioneers License in Town of Gayndah (ref CS letter of 11 <sup>th</sup> inst No 122): think License may be granted – Certificate not quite in due form, in as much as it does not expressly purport to have been granted at Court of Petty Sessions but think fact of its being signed by 3 Magistrates & on one day "at Police Office Gayndah" sufficiently indicates compliance with provision of 11 Victoria No 16 Section 14 [No 56/40] Para 2: Were matter of sufficient importance & distance of Police District less, might think it desirable to insist upon being more exactly informed of enactment having been duly complied with – but appears to them to be quite unnecessary to do so in this case & Notes in margin For approved Approved Mr Emmerson, Colonial Treasurer	A2.35	573 – 574
	56/00924				1856 02 05~ 1856 02 05~ 1856 02 00~	Note This application may perhaps be referred to Crown Law Officers as special case, Certificate granted by Magistrates not being in terms of 15 Section of Act 11 <sup>th</sup> Vict No 16 Proceed as suggested Law Officers Informed	A2.35	575
	56/00924	1856 01 29	His Ex Sir Thomas William Denison, Governor General	Charles Emmerson	[no date]	Memorial of undersigned inhabitant of town of Gayndah Burnett District:  Memorialist applied in usual form to Clerk of Petty Sessions for renewal of his License as Auctioneer in Gayndah & also attended on License day for result of such application but no Bench sat – memorialist forwards recommendation of Commissioner of Crown Lands & 2 Magistrates of District – prays His Excellency will grant the License & Note in margin - Certificate sent to Colonial Treasurer		576
				Police Office, Gayndah	1856 01 14 1856 02 01~	[Note] Recommended Arthur E Halloran Police Magistrate - R P Marshall JP - J Leith Hay JP W V [Ref 56/01870]		577
	56/01940	1856 02 22	Hon CS	Ipswich, Moreton Bay G Sandeman John Livingstone JP E T Aldridge W O'Grady Haly JP	1856 01 31	At top: "Electors Moreton & Wide Bay, Burnett & Maranoa" Petition from Electors of United Pastoral Districts of Moreton, Wide Bay & Burnett, and Maranoa requesting steps be taken for declaring Gayndah in District of Wide Bay & Burnett the place of nomination for our Electoral Districts in lieu of Town of Ipswich – suggest & urge alteration for	A2.35	578

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				M Goggs William D White William Humphreys JP James B Reid JP		convenience of Electors, greater number of whom reside in Wide Bay & Burnett, Gayndah being most central locality for purpose desired, while Ipswich is not even within District for which it was proclaimed place of nomination &		
				"W D" "W E"	1856 02 25~ 1856 02 25~ 1856 02 26 1856 02 26	Notes in margin Returned Is the change recommended to be approved Council decided otherwise but matter may be brought before them again Blank cover – Noted Executive 56/129 – 26 February 1856		
				Michael Fitzpatrick, Clerk of the Council "W D"	1856 02 26 1856 03 03 1856 03 04 1856 03 05 1856 03 07~	Notes re above At top of page: "Thomas Herbert? [could be Thorn vs Herbert]" Circulated by command of His Excellency the Governor General Council adhere to opinion previously expressed that under present circumstances not expedient to make alteration prayed for – No 56/88 Noted Approved Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Mr Sandeman etc etc		579
				Executive Council Office, Sydney Michael Fitzpatrick, Clerk of the Council	1856 02 01	At top: "M13295 – 6 <sup>th</sup> February 1856" Proceedings of Executive Council on 30 <sup>th</sup> January 1856 with respect to an Application to change the place of Nomination from Ipswich to Gayndah Extract from Minute No 56/1:  2 Council are of opinion that under present circumstances it is not expedient to make the alteration prayed for [No 56/17]		580
	55/11343	1855 11 03	Hon CS	"W D" Brush Farm, Ryde William Forster	1856 02 06 1855 11 00~	Note in margin - Approved  At top: "William Forster"  Letter re conversation with CS & letter addressed to him by certain electors of United Electoral Districts of Moreton Bay, Wide Bay, Burnett & Maranoa, requesting him to urge & obtain from Executive Government an alteration in place of nomination of member for Electoral Districts therein specified: this letter, with kind agency of Mr Martin M C placed with Colonial Treasurer & by him laid before Executive Council, makes following suggestions for information of Governor General & Executive Council Para 2: Union of 2 Pastoral Districts of Wide Bay & Burnett & towns of Maryborough & Gayndah in same Electoral District with that of Moreton, however expedient or unavoidable at time originally made, appears to him to be no longer necessary or even justifiable under altered circumstances of the case – since that time number of electors resident within boundaries of Wide Bay & Burnett Districts has increased considerably & entirely new class added consisting of freeholders in towns of Maryborough & Gayndah – of these 2 Districts export trade for 1854 has been from authentic yet familiar sources estimated at about £80,000 & for current year according to reasonable computation will amount to at least £100,000 – value of import trade of same Districts, though not so readily ascertainable, there is no reason to doubt, bears usual proportion to that of concurrent exports All this trade passes directly to Sydney from Maryborough which is only	A2.35	581 – 589

shipping port for produce of pastoral country from which trade in question emanates – consequently scarcely any connection either commercial or political between localities referred to & District of Moreton Bay - far less certainly than is known to exist between same localities & Sydney itself In illustration of which remark mentions establishment of Circuit Courts at Brisbane, commonly supposed & doubless intended to operate for benefit of Northern Districts generally has hitherto been productive only of increased trouble & expense to suitors & witnesses from more remote Northern settlements, by compelling their attendance at Brisbane upon cases, which might more conveniently for all parties concerned have been adjudicated in Sydney – on similar principles complaints have been frequently made by parties interested by practice perhaps unavoidably adopted by Government of sending immigrant vessels exclusively to Brisbane – a practice which has been supposed to deprive Maryborough & its vicinity of their fair share or lone direct benefits presumed to be derivable from local distribution of immigrants so conveyed Para 3: It does not seem irrelevant to state further that on question of separation, which is likely before long to be brought prominently under consideration of Government he settlers north of Moreton Bay are understood to entertain far different views from those which prevail at Brisbane & in neighbouring Districts upon same question Para 4: Have therefore some reason to infer that to continue present electoral connection of Wide Bay & Burnet Districts with that of Moreton, will in all probability at future elections induce antagonism & consequent struggle for superiority — discusses turber.  Para 5: Of course, obvious remedy that suggests itself for the anomaly to which I have the honor of directing your attention, is to separate District of Moreton from the more Southern Districts with only compliant to the constituency of which in two forms a part, combining it with other more Southern Districts to c		PATE RECD	то	FROM	DATE OF DOCUMENT	CONTENTS	QSL REEL	PAGE
District of Leichhardt, & of the settled Districts in neighbourhood of Port Curtis, these portions of Colony having under present regulations no electoral status whatever – aware it is by no means exclusive province of Executive Government to alter distribution of electoral Districts – trusts after due inquiry they may yet consider it their duty to recommend & as far as possible influence early adoption of some such measure by Legislature Para 6: In mean time, submits that necessities of case may be in some degree met by alteration of place of nomination for Districts in question – cannot refrain from respectfully expressing opinion that town of [pswich was most injudiciously selected in first instance – Ipswich is in County of Stanley, which whatever be its geographical position, has not been included in electoral District of Moreton – consequently Ipswich cannot with propriety be said to be part of constituency with which it has been thus arbitrarily connected & from which its interests have been otherwise dissociated by its junction with other boroughs for electoral purposes Ipswich is situated at very southern extremity of constituency in question & at least above a hundred miles from residences of considerable number of electors. Effect there of existing arrangement must be not only beyond all doubt to increase the naturally just preponderance of Moreton Bay in	REF NO N	RECD			DOCUMENT	emanates – consequently scarcely any connection either commercial or political between localities referred to & District of Moreton Bay - far less certainly than is known to exist between same localities & Sydney itself In illustration of which remark mentions establishment of Circuit Courts at Brisbane, commonly supposed & doubtless intended to operate for benefit of Northern Districts generally has hitherto been productive only of increased trouble & expense to suitors & witnesses from more remote Northern settlements, by compelling their attendance at Brisbane upon cases, which might more conveniently for all parties concerned have been adjudicated in Sydney – on similar principles complaints have been frequently made by parties interested by practice perhaps unavoidably adopted by Government of sending immigrant vessels exclusively to Brisbane – a practice which has been supposed to deprive Maryborough & its vicinity of their fair share of more direct benefits presumed to be derivable from local distribution of immigrants so conveyed Para 3: It does not seem irrelevant to state further that on question of separation, which is likely before long to be brought prominently under consideration of Government the settlers north of Moreton Bay are understood to entertain far different views from those which prevail at Brisbane & in neighbouring Districts upon same question Para 4: Have therefore some reason to infer that to continue present electoral connection of Wide Bay & Burnett Districts with that of Moreton, will in all probability at future elections induce antagonism & consequent struggle for superiority – discusses further Para 5: Of course, obvious remedy that suggests itself for the anomaly to which I have the honor of directing your attention, is to separate District of Moreton from the constituency of which it now forms a part, combining it with other more Southern Districts to which it is more naturally related & to construct out of remainder a distinct Electoral District, in conjunction, by another	KEEL	

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				"M F" "C D R" "C D R"	1855 11 05~ 1855 11 06~ 1855 11 09~ 1855 12 20~	for the District Para 7: That this was the case at last election is evident enough by reference to what took place thereat, as well as to existing state of representation of Districts specified – cannot avoid noticing certain well known circumstances connected with both these points, as exemplifying in many striking respects some of above remarks – notorious that present Member for Districts in consideration was placed in position he occupies by votes of but two electors, if electors indeed they were, which there is abundant reason to doubt – certain that gentleman alluded to is personally unknown to at least a majority of electors, that he has never visited 3 out of the 4 Districts presumed to have returned him except on occasion when he rapidly passed over extreme point of Burnett District for strictly private purposes. Since his return he has held no public communication with electors of his constituency otherwise than to announce in reply to their urgent expostulations & by no very courteous mode, his determination neither to resign nor to attend to his duties – above all he has fully carried out the determination so expressed by having altogether neglected to take his seat during present Session – discusses further Para 8: Necessary to point out further that neglect or total deprivation of any legal representative falls far more heavily on inhabitants of Wide Bay & Burnett Districts than on Moreton Bay electors because latter, from their close connection in point of local interest with more southern constituencies are never without means for making their wants known & their complaints heard by Executive & Legislative authorities through agency of other Moreton Bay members, a resource which for reasons already stated is denied to the two former Districts Para 9: On grounds above stated, expresses his concurrence with subscribers of letter referred to in first paragraph of this communication, in recommending Gayndah as spot most suitable in his opinion for place of nomination of combined electoral Districts		
				"M F"	1855 12 20~	Notes re above Papers respecting suggested alteration of place of nomination for Electoral Districts of Moreton, Wide Bay, Burnett & Maranoa resubmitted for decision		590
				"C D R"	1855 12 22~	Have ascertained Gayndah would be most central place of nomination – Captain O'Connell has so informed me, it may now be proclaimed		
				"W D"	1855 12 22	Very well 55/11343		

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				"M F"	1856 01 03~	As Gayndah is to be place of nomination it will be necessary to appoint a Returning Officer in place of Mr North – least difficult way would probably be to appoint Commissioner of Wide Bay & Burnett District (Mr Halloran) - see Minute on 55/11090		
				"C D R" "M F"	1856 01 04~ 1856 01 15~	Mr Halloran may be appointed Commission herewith but matter appears to be for Executive Council in first instance		
				(9.44 5%)	1856 01 14~ 1856 01 15~	Received on 14 <sup>th</sup> - put in with other papers~ [very faint] For Executive Council when appointed		
				"W D" "W E"	1856 01 18 1856 01 19~	Yes Blank cover Noted Executive		
				"M F"	1856 01 30~	56/22 – 19 January 1856 Laid before Executive Council 30 <sup>th</sup> January 1856 Min No 56/1 [Ref M13295]		
	55/11090	1855 10 29	Hon CS	Wivenhoe Joseph North  "M F"  "C D R"	1855 10 30~ 1855 10 31~ 1855 11 01~	At top: "J North JP" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 3 <sup>rd</sup> inst [Margin: 55/10783] enclosing copy letter from certain inhabitants in Burnett & Wide Bay Districts containing an application that place for nomination for Electoral Districts of Moreton, Wide Bay, Burnett & Maranoa may be changed from Ipswich to Gayndah, & requesting him to report upon subject: states general impression in District appears to be that, although Ipswich is not central, yet as being point where nearly whole of business transactions of District is centred, any change would at present be premature & cause much public inconvenience – regrets urgent private business will prevent his being able to attend at so great a distance as Gayndah & in event of its being named chief Polling Place must respectfully tender resignation of his Commission as Returning Officer Also at top: "Laid before Executive Council 30 January 1856 Min No 56/1" &  Notes in margin W V  Mr North tenders his resignation in event of Gayndah being appointed in lieu of Ipswich as place of nomination for Electoral District in which he acts In event of Gayndah being place of nomination Mr Halloran might be appointed Returning Officer - but Governor~ cannot do this until Council is dissolved	A2.35	591 – 592
				"W D"	1855 11 02	Notes re above How came Colonial Secretary to propose to me a change which he ought to be aware I had no power at present to make – is it desirable to make the change		593
				"C D R"	1855 11 02~	So I am informed – present place of nomination is Ipswich which is altogether in one corner of District – Gayndah is central – this may remain over until this Council is dissolved Yes [Ref 55/11343]		
	55/10783	1855 10 17	Hon CS	Legislative Council Chambers, Sydney Charles Nicholson, Speaker	1855 10 16	At top: "Speaker"  Acknowledging receipt of CS letter No 4 of 12 <sup>th</sup> inst [Margin: 55/10279] informing him Governor General has approved of Gayndah being for the future the place of nomination for Electoral District of Moreton, Wide Bay, Burnett & Maranoa instead of Ipswich [no 55/53]	A2.35	594 – 596

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						Points out that while 10 <sup>th</sup> Section of Electoral Act of 1851 gives authority to Governor General to add new Polling Places to those enumerated in Schedule B to that Act, the 29 <sup>th</sup> Section provides that the place of nomination shall be named by authority issuing Writ, whether Speaker or Governor as case may be – consequently during existence of any Council the duty of naming place of nomination rests with Speaker – for the General Election shortly to be held under new Constitution Writs will be issued by His Excellency who will then have it in his power if he think it expedient to name Gayndah as place of nomination for Electoral District for which it is already a Polling Place		
						& Notes in margins		
				"M F"	1855 10 17~ 1855 10 23~	M F This will be attended to when Writs for present Election issue		
				"M F"	1855 10 23~ 1855 10 24~	55/11090 There appears to have been a mistake in this case which is not explained Yes – think it was a mistake to make this alteration while the matter was under reference to Returning Officer but I am not responsible for that, the only mistake which it was in my power to prevent or qualify was that letter to Speaker might be couched in more appropriate language seeing that his decision in this matter cannot be controlled by Executive		
	55/10279			Francis L S Merewether "W D"	1855 09 28 1855 09 29~ 1855 10 03~	Note Mr Martin asked me to submit this for consideration of Governor General Refer for report – I know nothing of the circumstances Mr North - "End of November"	A2.35	597
					1855 10 10~	Note Colonial Secretary mentioned that Gayndah was to be appointed the place of nomination		598
				"C D R"	1855 10 11~ 1855 10 12~	From conversation with Mr Rolleston understand that Gayndah was the most central place & ought to be the place of nomination Returning Officer, Speaker, Mr Martin [Ref 55/10783]		
	55/10279				1855 10 12	Note Is anything further required for appointment of Gayndah as a place of nomination		599
				"M F"	1855 10 13~	Do not see that anything more is necessary		
	55/10279	1855 10 01~	William Forster Sydney	Burnett & Wide Bay District	1855 06 25	At top: "Inhabitants Burnett & Wide Bay District" Letter seeking his assistance, on account of his having resided for a long time & so lately amongst them to be acquainted with their public wants, to have place of nomination of their Member changed from Ipswich which is so far away & not even in any District forming the Electoral one - to Gayndah - which you know is much more central [Ref 55/10783] Are sure they do not need to point out to him all inconveniences which they suffer from arrangement complained of – as the one fact of our present Member having been proposed & seconded by non-electors who were, they have heard, the only individuals at the Election  Signatories  James B Reid – William Henry Walsh – William Young – C Lawless – Henry Herbert – Edmund B Uhr – Arthur Brown		600 – 602

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			Sydney John Buchanan Colonial Storekeeper		Letter submitting for insertion in Government Gazette advertisement [not filmed here] calling for Tenders to supply saddle cloths required for service of Native Police Port Curtis [No 20]		
				1856 02 28	Notes in margin - Notice		
56/01950	1856 02 22	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office Sydney George Barney, Surveyor General	1856 02 20	At top: "Surveyor General"  Letter re E B Uhr's request to be allowed wharfage accommodation at East Maryborough for Australian Steam Navigation Company's steamers trading between Sydney & that place (ref CS letter 28 <sup>th</sup> November last No 10181): forwarding herewith in customary manner Mr Uhr's engagement to surrender possession when Government may require [No 56/118] & Notes in margin	A2.35	604 – 605
			"M F"	1856 02 23~	56/779 M F This may go to Records – "Yes" 56/05524 See Mem enclosed "H H"		
			W Goodman [for] Colonial Secretary		Note re above - 56/05524 is retained as a document for S G O		606
56/01950			Edmund B Uhr Witness: P D Anderson JP	1856 01 09 1856 01 29~	At top: "56/779 – 29 January 1856" [ACKNOWLEDGMENT] Acknowledges he occupies certain premises at East Maryborough as shown on Sketch attached to this acknowledgment at annual rent of one shilling & that he holds same entirely on sufferance & with understanding he is to surrender & yield up possession thereof within three months after receiving Notice to that effect in writing from Surveyor General or other person authorised by His Excellency the Governor General to demand it "Dated the ninth day of January 1856" Also at top: "Col Sec - 56/118 / 20 February" Note at end: Forward as usual to Colonial Secretary		607
					[Sketch] Showing by a green tint [colours not shown] land at Maryborough on which Mr Uhr has been allowed to occupy a wharf for accommodation of A S N Company at nominal rent of one shilling per annum - 1855  Details shown: Scale of chains - "North" indicated - River & Water Levels, Streets, Sections of land marked as sold with owners noted: Mary River &Wharf soundings in feet at low water & direction of flow; measured land; land marked Ch R [Church Reserve?]; land marked "R" [Reserve?]; Streets: Lennox St - Walker St - Sussex St - Kent St - Adelaide St - Bazaar St - Wharf St - Richmond St - March St; Sections of land marked as sold with names of owners: McAdam - Cooper - Aldridge (on Walker St); Uhr, Wilmot, Ward, Cleary, Cook, Gregory, McAdam (land bounded by Adelaide, Sussex, Bazaar & Kent Sts); Aldridge, Arnold, Palmer, Uhr, Labatt (land bounded by Richmond, Wharf, Bazaar & Kent Sts); Uhr, Palmer, Labatt, Martin, Howard, Aldridge, Jones (land bounded by March, Kent, Richmond & Wharf Sts)		608
			Executive Council Office, Sydney	1855 11 20	At top: "M13181 – 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 1855"  Proceedings of the Executive Council on 12 <sup>th</sup> November 1855 with respect	A2.35	609 – 610

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				Michael Fitzpatrick, Clerk of the Council  "W D"	1855 11 20 1855 11 28	to application from Mr E B Uhr relative to Wharfage at Maryborough Extract from Minute No 55/40 confirmed 19 <sup>th</sup> November 1855 2: "The Council advise that Mr Uhr, whose efforts appear to have largely contributed to the settlement of Maryborough should be allowed to occupy at a nominal rent, one of the wharves erected by him, on condition that he vacates it upon three months notice to that effect, the like facility having been accorded by Government in furtherance of Steam Navigation in some of the "Southern Out Ports" [No 55/280] & Notes in margin Approved E B Uhr, Surveyor General, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands [Ref 56/01950]		
	55/11447	1855 11 06	His Excellency Sir William Denison, Governor General, Sydney	East Maryborough Edmund B Uhr	1855 11 01	At top: "E B Uhr" "Received 6 <sup>th</sup> November" Letter re his request to be allowed permission for right of wharfage for A S N Company's steamers when trading between Sydney & this place Reacquaints His Excellency that he was first person to locate himself in East Maryborough, having had many hardships to contend with such as clearing scrub land & being perpetually annoyed by Aboriginal blacks, sustaining many serious losses by their depredations, after making various improvements - Surveyor Labatt was sent here, who selected this spot for present site of Town of East Maryborough - principal water frontage was reserved by him for wharfs & the only 2 wharfs at present here were erected by him at his private cost without any other assistance — accompanying chart (though a rough one) will show exact position he is in, & though he has done thus much towards shipping interests, he is deprived of privilege of selecting any particular vessel to discharge cargo at either wharf even for himself — should not now make this request, only having been promised Agency of steamer now running here, it is therefore to the district, as well as himself, most desirable that they should have a wharf at their command on arrival, as immediate despatch is of utmost import to such vessels  Therefore solicits that His Excellency will give him authority to occupy one of the 2 wharfs which he has already put up, or give him permission to lease a small portion of Reserve for a certain term of years for special purpose above alluded to with proviso that should said land be required for Government use, that he at once vacate — further states he should not have deviated from proper course of addressing His Excellency but by your own permission & request — anxiously soliciting an early reply		611 – 613
				"W D"	1855 11 06	Notes re above Thinks if Government not in position to erect wharves, residents should be allowed upon certain conditions to make use of water frontage - perhaps best Plan will be to give lease of a portion of land for a given term of years,		614
				"W E"	1855 11 06	lease to be put up for auction  Executive Council – blank cover - noted  Executive  55/268 – 7 November 1855		
				"M F"	1855 11 09 1855 11 12	Circulated by Command of His Excellency the Governor General Laid before Executive Council 12 November 1855 – Min No 55/40 [Ref M13181]		

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	56/02027	1856 03 03	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham, Government Resident	1856 02 20	At top: "Government Resident, Moreton Bay" Letter informing of arrival at this port of the "Caesar Godefroi" [as it is – see also "Caesar Godeffroy"] Immigrant ship having on board 235 German Immigrants reported to be in a healthy state [No 56/95] Also at top: "Reporting the arrival of the "Caesar Goddefroi" [as it is] Immigrant ship" & Notes in margin Read	A2.35	616
				"W E"	1856 03 03 1856 03 04~	Agent for Immigration – blank cover Noted Immigration 56/1203 – 5 March 1856		
				"H H B"	1856 03 07 1856 03 08	Read & returned – blank cover - noted Returned Colonial Secretary's Office – "Put by"		
	56/02031	1856 03 03	Hon CS	North Brisbane, Moreton Bay Henry Buckley, Returning Officer for Electoral District of Stanley  "M F"	1856 02 27 1856 03 03~ 1856 03 03~	At top: "Returning Officer Stanley" "Rec'd 3"  Letter re necessity or desirableness of appointing additional Polling Places for Electoral District for which he is Returning Officer (ref CS Circular letter 7th inst): informs it would be great public convenience to have following additional Polling Places viz: Jimboomba, Logan District, residence of A J Henderson JP [as it is – see also A I Henderson JP; Andrew Inglis Henderson JP] – Owen's Inn [see also Owens Inn], Drayton Road, 20 miles from Ipswich – Smiths Inn [see also Smith's Inn] Wivenhoe, Brisbane River & Notes in margin M F  Doubt propriety of appointing Polling Places after issue of Writ	A2.35	617
				Attorney General's Office, Sydney J H Plunkett, Attorney General W M Manning, Solicitor General "M F" "W D"	1856 03 04 1856 03 04~ 1856 03 05 1856 03 07	Notes re above We are not aware of any legal objection to proclamation of additional Polling Places after the issue of Writs – of course appointment should be made sufficiently early to enable Returning Officer to make necessary arrangements for taking the Poll – as each addition to number of Polling Places increases risk of election being invalidated through some irregularity, care should be taken not to make them too numerous Are these additional Polling Places to be advertised? – "Urgent" Approved Proclamation with 56-2105 - Inserted in Gazette of 7 March Returning Officer, Clerk of Council		618
	56/02079	1856 03 03	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham, Government Resident	1856 02 20	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay"  Letter re £1000 towards improving navigation of Brisbane River voted by Legislative Council in 1854: requests that should there be any unexpended balance of above sum after payment of expenses of survey of River Bar, he may be permitted to apply it to removal of obstructions in Brisbane & Bremer Rivers which especially in latter are serious impediments to navigation & traffic between Brisbane & Ipswich [No 56/94]  & Notes re above	A2.35	619

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				"W E" "J S" "W E"	1856 03 11 1856 03 12~ 1856 03 14 1856 03 15~ 1856 03 18 1856 03 19	Auditor General – blank cover Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 301-MR*12 Balance of £234-11-9 on Vote referred to but Colonial Architect to whom advances are made for Public Works generally may produce amounts to exhaust this balance - reference might be made to him – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Colonial Architect – blank cover Noted		
				Alexander Dawson Colonial Architect "W D"	1856 05 05 1856 05 06~ 1856 05 07 1856 05 13	Notes re above No accounts in this Office - not aware of any outstanding claim which will reduce balance Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Have no objection Government Resident, Auditor General		620
	56/02083	1856 03 03	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham, Government Resident  "W E"  "Francis L S Merewether"	1856 02 26 1856 03 03~ 1856 03 05~ 1856 03 22 1856 03 27 1856 03 29~ 1856 03 31 1856 04 01~ 1856 04 02~	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay"  Enclosing letter from Mr Cribb, Contractor for supplies for Colonial Service disclaiming having either received or given required notice for discontinuance of his Contract as referred to in postscript to CS letter (ref CS letter 18 February No 56/28): as he has continued to fulfil it up to present time & maintains his right & intention to do so until 31st March, suggests Mr Scott's Bond be altered to 1st day of April, especially as Mr Scott has not furnished any supplies as yet, whilst former Contractor has continued to do so as usual [No 56/103]  Para 2: Mr Scott has only today been made aware of acceptance of his Tender & although he has expressed his willingness that Mr Cribb should continue to furnish supplies until 31st March, yet difference between prices in former Contract & that now tendered by Mr Scott would create question of difficulty as to payment  Para 3: Has therefore returned documents in question as appears to be a mistake in supposed termination of Mr Cribb's Contract  & Notes in margin  W V  Notice given to several parties of intended discontinuance of their Contracts & in Notice calling for fresh Tenders District of Brisbane was included - on reference to Letter Book, Notice to Mr Cribb is not entered his Contract therefore will not expire until 31st of this month instead of 31st January  Approved – but such a mistake should not be allowed to occur – if Mr Scott had not been willing to defer entering on his Contract until 31st March, matter could not have been settled without considerable embarrassment Government Resident  Transmitted for information of Auditor General – B C – to be returned Noted  Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 359-MR*27  This arrangement has been noted in Register of Contracts – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office  W V	A2.35	621 – 623

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					1855 10 01	Notes re above Auditor General is requested to state whether there are any other Districts in which he would recommend that Contracts should be discontinued –		624 - 625
				"C D R"	[no date]	blank cover – to be returned It should have been given long ago		
				"J S"	1855 10 09~	Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 674-OC~ *2 [very faint] Brisbane; Drayton – No Contract; Liverpool Plains; Port Macquarie & Macleay River; Tumut; Wollongong; Wide Bay – No Contract blank cover		
					1855 10 11~	Concluded that Notice should be given to Contractors for Districts named by Auditor General that their Contracts will terminate 31 <sup>st</sup> January next Government Gazette 5 November 1855~		
					1855 10 03~	Provision and Forage Contracts  Notice has been given to Contractor for Sydney District that his Contract for supplying forage will be discontinued on 31 December next & to several Contractors in Country Districts that their Contracts will cease on same date — Annual Contracts for Provisions and Forage expire on 31 March next — shall Tenders now to be called for, for fresh Contracts for those to be discontinued on 31 December, to be for period of 3 months ending 31 March 1856 or for 15 months ending 31 March 1857 — Contracts can be discontinued at any time on 3 months notice being given either by		626 – 629 [p 627 dup of p 626]
					1855 11 01~	Government of Contractor Notice &		
				"C D R" "W D"	1855 10 06~ 1855 10 06 1855 10 08~ 1855 10 08	Notes in margin Think Contracts ought to be for 15 months For 15 months Notice may be forwarded to Auditor General before being published Blank Cover Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 693-OC*10		
				"J S"	1855 10 12	There appears no objection – blank cover Notice 16 October		
				W C Mayne, Inspector General	1855 09 30	At top: "Rec'd 1 October"  Memorandum  The following are the places the Contracts for which, if including forage, should be terminated, Notice being given on the 1st Proximo:  [Pencil notes written across entries – some difficult to read]  Bathurst, including Diamond Swamp & Wyagden – none given  Braidwood including Gold Police Establishments – no Contract  Carcoar including Cowra – no Contract / new? [very faint]  Goulburn including Boro & Gunning – Notice given  Hartley including Ben Bullen, Bowenfels & Black heath [as it is – see also  Blackheath] – Notice given  Ophir  Sofala  Sydney (Forage Contract alone)  Tambaroora  Avisford  Notice given		630 - 631
						Yass ] Binalong including Jugiong ]		

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				"C D R"	1855 10 01 1855 10 01~	Gundagai including Tarcutta and Kyamba [also spelt Kyeamba] – No Contract Albury including Mullingandra [also spelt Mullengandra, Mullingandon, Mullingandia] – Notice given / No Contract At end: "Colonial Secretary - Blank Cover" & Notes in margin Colonial Secretary mentioned on Saturday last that Notice was to be given to terminate Forage Contracts in Sydney & Braidwood, also Contracts which include forage in Country Districts – Inspector General of Police has furnished this List of such Districts – are Notices to be given accordingly Yes		
	56/02083		Government Resident, Moreton Bay Bench of Magistrates	Colonial Secretary's Office, Sydney W Elyard for the CS	1856 02 18	[PRINTED LETTER] At top: "Rec'd 25 February" Transmitting Bond for execution of Robert Scott & Sureties for due observance of Contract for Colonial Service exclusive of coal in District of Brisbane: requests him to obtain signatures of parties therein named without delay & return Bond to this Office Para 2: Conditions attached to Bond to be signed by the several parties Para 3: Bond should be signed within 1 month from this date Para 4: Signatories should be properly witnessed & Bond dated P S added: Requisite notice of 3 months was given for discontinuance of former Contract~ from 31 <sup>st</sup> January last & Note in margin – W V		632
	56/02083		Government Resident, Brisbane	Robert Cribb	1856 02 26	Enclosure in letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay to Hon CS 26 February No 56/103  Letter re his form of Contract for Supply of Provisions etc for Colonial Service: assures that he has not sent or received any Notice of Termination during present year of supply – had intended to do so but thought that, more likely before 3 months had expired, price of flour would be more favourable – noticed that several Contractors had been given required Notice & presumes his name must have, by mistake, been included with them – therefore claims to supply to end of his term namely 31 st March next		633
	56/02107			Surveyor Generals Office, Sydney George Barney, Surveyor General	1856 07 12 1856 07 16~	Note At top: "M F - 7"  Land herein referred to is No 1 of the Reserves of Normanby Plains, as approved of in CS letter 26 <sup>th</sup> February last 1452; and Mr Thorne's claim [as it is] to purchase under pre-emptive right will soon be limited to allotments in Reserve embracing his improvements  Entd 56/148 fol 247 vol~ [obscured]  & Note re above - Returned Colonial Secretary's Office	A2.35	634
				"M F"	1856 08 01~ 1856 08 12	Notes re above Mr Thorn to be so apprised J Thorn [as it is – see also G Thorn], Chief Commissioner		635
	56/02107	1856 03 03	Hon CS	Ipswich George Thorn	1856 02 22	At top: "G Thorn"  Letter re 3 Sections of land which he applied to purchase about 2½ years ago on his Run "Rosebrook" in District of Moreton in 3 different places &		636 – 637

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				"O M"	1856 03 03~	from time to time received letters from Surveyor General stating that it should be measured as soon as convenient: at last he received letter stating he could not get the land unless he took it in one block & where his permanent & valuable improvements are – having consented to this Mr Warner ordered to survey it which he did about 6 months since – land he surveyed was about 2 ½ Sections at his head Station where most of his improvements are - now he has received letter from Chief Commissioner of Crown lands stating he cannot have it as there may be a Village Reserve there & it would be a disadvantage to public – most of this is very low & swampy, in wet is all under water except just where buildings stand - in dry weather it is just the opposite - unless he spends £150 or £200 in stopping drift & banks from falling, in course of 3 or 4 years there will not be a drop of water near the place as waterholes & creeks are filling up fast every day as every flood that comes washes down the banks & is filling up every place where water now lies - if this continues without being stopped he will have to shift his Head Station as it would not do for him to spend a lot of money & then someone else to get the land - if any practical man is sent to examine it he will agree with him as there is already more than fifty yards of Creek filled up & every day getting worse – requests his letter be laid before proper authorities  Also at top: "56/2054 – 8 March 1856"  & Notes in margin  M F  Returned today – matter is one more property calling for report from Survey Department		
				W Elyard for the CS	1856 03 06	[Cover] H M S / To / The Honourable / The Colonial Secretary / Sydney & Notes re above [postmarked: IPSWICH-NEW S WALES / FE*23-1856; SYDNEY-NEW SOUTH WALES / A-MR*3–1856] Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands requested to report – blank cover –		638
				,	1856 03 06	noted – to be returned George Thorn [Small square cut from letter – to remove postage stamp?]		
	56/02181	1856 03 04	Hon CS	Police Office, Warwick John Douglas JP	1856 02 22	At top: "Bench" "60/" Letter informing sufficient copies of Census Form A received from Colonial Storekeeper [Margin: 300A] (ref CS letter 30 <sup>th</sup> January last No 99) Also at top: "Census Printed Forms" &	A2.35	639
	50/00101	4050.00.01	11 00	"M F"	1856 03 04~	Note in margin – Nothing required	10.05	040
	56/02191	1856 03 04	Hon CS	Wombo John Ker Wilson	1856 02 17	At top: "Bench" "51/" Letter stating number of Forms of Census Return A forwarded already to this office are sufficient (ref CS letter 30 <sup>th</sup> ult No 99) &	A2.35	640
				"M F"	1856 03 04~	Note in margin – Nothing required		
	56/01751	1856 02 23	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Surat Henry Boyle, Commissioner of Crown Lands	1856 02 02	At top: "Commissioner Boyle"  Letter stating 30 copies of Census Form A will be sufficient for this District (ref CS Circular of 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1855 No 166 "received yesterday")  Para 2: Long continued floods prevented him receiving letters for 5 weeks	A2.35	641

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				"M F"	1856 02 25~	Notes re above This leaves it uncertain whether Forms have miscarried – inform him of numbers of forms sent & dates when sent to Condamine, Wambo [as it is – see also Wombo] & Surat		642
					1856 02 26	Commissioner of Crown Lands Surat		
	56/01245	1856 02 05	Hon CS	Wombo John Ker Wilson	1856 01 21	At top: "Bench" "51/" Letter informing requires 60 Census Forms A for this District (ref CS Circular No 166 of 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1855 clause 3)	A2.35	643
				"M F"	1856 02 05~	Note in margin - 150 have been already sent		
	56/02197			"M F"	1856 03 18 1856 03 26~ 1856 03 26 1856 03 31	[Precis] Henrich Schrumacher [as it is – see also Henry Schumacher] a German, states having been assaulted by his employer J G Rossiter [see also James G Rossiter], he went to Warwick to obtain summons against him, where, he alleges, he was told he would have to pay 10/- for summons & be imprisoned until Mr Rossiter could appear to answer the charge – he also states that being without money he acted upon further advice given him & proceeded to Brisbane to procure justice where he found out that his complaint should have been made at Warwick; that he has no means to take him back; that he is apprehensive that Warrant has been issued against him for absconding from his Station & he prays Justice may be administered to him – appears by a report obtained from Warwick Bench that Schumacher has been brought before them by Warrant for absconding & that defence given by him on that occasion was that having been assaulted by his Master he proceeded to Warwick for a summons which he applied for in company with Charles Wagner, interpreter, who told him it would cost 10/- & recommended him to return to his Station - not being successful in procuring summons he went to Brisbane to Agent who is Interpreter – Mr Rossiter denies assaulting the man Mr Evans (Clerk of Petty Sessions) deposition is to effect that complainant through Wagner the Interpreter applied for summons but that, in consequence of remarks made to him by Mr Evans relating to grounds of complaint, he left the office & Mr Evans concluded he did not intend to press charge – Mr Evans states he did not demand 10/- for summons – Wagner deposes that he accompanied Schumacher to Police Office & told him summons might cost 5/- or 10/- & he believed the man intended to return to his employer's services & Notes in margin  Do not appear any grounds for interference of Government in this case No Heinrich Schumacher [as it is], Bench Warwick	A2.35	644 – 647
	56/02197	1856 03 04	Hon CS	Police Office, Warwick John Douglas JP for Warwick Bench	1856 02 23	At top: "Bench of Magistrates at Warwick" Forwarding Depositions in case under Master & Servant Act Rossiter v Schumacher (ref CS letter of 18 <sup>th</sup> ult No 61) Para 2: Appears by evidence of Mr Evans C P S that summons was not demanded & Schumacher was not told by Clerk of Petty Sessions that he must pay 10/- before an information & form of summons could be drawn out for presentation to a Magistrate &		648

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				"M F"	1856 03 05~ 1856 03 18~	Notes in margin Rossiter & Schumacher - Precis Herewith		
	56/02197					New South Wales: To Wit Court of Petty Sessions held at Warwick this 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 1856 Present: J Douglas JP Henry Schumacher appeared at Warwick on Warrant to answer to charge of absconding from hired service of J G Rossiter - Alexander Wagner duly sworn to interpret to Defendant proceedings of Court J G Rossiter being duly sworn states: Prisoner Henry Schumacher my indented servant for 2 years entered my service in October last as per Agreement which I have in my possession but not with me – Defendant now before Court is the said Henry Schumacher therein alluded to – Schumacher quitted my Station at Glenelg on 22 <sup>nd</sup> December last as I believe for purpose of applying for summons - on his not returning my Overseer Robert Michelmore [also spelt Mitchelmore] applied for & obtained Warrant for Defendant on 19 <sup>th</sup> January last – prisoner is in my debt Examined by Defendant through sworn Interpreter: I did go into Defendant shut with a stick in my hand but I positively state I did not there or at any other time strike Defendant – defendant has been a very idle man & I was compelled to fetch him in from where he was at work with his own country man to the Head Station – there was no one near the hut or in it when I went to it – "J G Rossiter" "Sworn before me this 22 <sup>nd</sup> day of February 1856 – John Douglas JP" Henry Schumacher being called on for his defence states: Had left his work to get his dinner, whilst in the hut Mr Rossiter came & struck him with a stick – he then left Station to obtain summons & went to Warwick Police Office on Monday following in company with Charles Wagner & applied for summons – Wagner informed him summons would cost 10/- & recommended him to return to his Station – not being successful in procuring summons he went down to Agent in Brisbane who is an Interpreter  Herbert Evans, Clerk of Petty Sessions at Warwick, duly sworn states: Some weeks since Schumacher came to Police Office with man named Wagner who acted as Interpreter – Defendant applied for summons but in consequence of rema		649 - 652

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						presence of second Magistrate to adjudicate thereon – "John Douglas JP" [Depositions end here – nothing further]		
	56/00441	1856 01 14	Hon CS	Heinrich Schumacher  "W D"	[no date]  1856 01 17~ 1856 01 18~ 1856 01 18	At top: "H Schumacher" [PETITION]  Memorialist shows that having been cruelly beaten, knocked down & trembled upon [as it is – trampled?] by his employer J G Rossiter of Glenelg Station, McIntyre Brook, Darling Downs, he went to Warwick to obtain summons against his employer in order to receive justice for said cruel & unlawful treatment – not having money to pay for summons, it having been intimated that 10 shillings would be required & that he would be imprisoned till Mr Rossiter could appear to answer complaint (Memorialist being German Immigrant recently arrived in Colony & consequently little acquainted with English language) he followed advice given to him to go to Brisbane to obtain Justice – arrived at latter place, finds however that complaint must be made at Warwick – has no means to take him back, being apprehensive at same time since Warrant is out against him for having left the Station – begs leave to lay his case before you with hope that justice may be done - [his signature is here – illegible] ("Heinrich Schumacher")  Undersigned certifies foregoing is a correct & truthful translation of statement made by Petitioner in German – "George Appel – Official German Interpreter"  Above statement was read & approved of by Government Resident Captain Wickham & considered only course that could be taken under circumstances – "Brisbane, 9 January 1856"  & Notes in margin Reference perhaps may be made to Bench Yes Petitioner, Bench Warwick [Ref 56/02197]	A2.35	653 – 654
	56/02325	1856 03 08	Hon CS~	Government Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne  "E D T"  "C D Riddell"	1856 03 07 1856 03 08~ 1856 03 08 1856 03 10~ 1856 03 10	At top: "Agent for Immigration"  Letter reporting inconvenience having arisen in collection of Promissory Notes made payable at Sydney, drawn by persons resident at Moreton Bay who have no accounts with Sydney Banks: Assistant Immigration Agent there deemed it advisable to allow such Promissory Notes to be made payable at Bank of New South Wales Moreton Bay – there are consequently Notes now current amounting to £1668-0-0 which are payable there [No 56/126]  Para 2: Under these circumstances requests Colonial Treasurer be authorized to make arrangements with Bank of New South Wales for their collection at Brisbane, on account of Government, & to allow receipt of Manager of Bank to be sufficient Voucher to pass account of collection of Assistant Immigration Agent Moreton Bay now brought to a close by repeal of Assisted Immigrants Act &  Notes in margin  This may require report of Colonial Treasurer  Yes  Noted – blank cover  Concur in opinion of Immigration Agent that Promissory Notes given by employers of labour at Moreton Bay should be collected at Brisbane by Assistant Immigration Agent – if such arrangement can be carried out, that	A2.35	655 – 658

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					1856 03 12~ 1856 03 14~	Officer should be instructed to forward, say every week, amount of his collections by Bank Draft, supported by Voucher giving particulars of each note forming part of remittance – will be necessary that I be furnished with List of Promissory Notes to be collected at Moreton Bay – Blank cover No 177  Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Approved  Colonial Traceurer Immigration Agent, "E W/ H", "I M C"?		
	56/02353	1856 03 08	Hon CS	Gayndah Henry Hort Brown Surgeon to Native Police Force  "W E"  "J S"	1856 03 10~ 1856 03 10~ 1856 03 12 1856 03 15	Colonial Treasurer, Immigration Agent "E W H" "J M C"?  At top: "H H Brown" Returning copy of Mr Walker's letter dated 11 <sup>th</sup> October 1855, also encloses Mr Marshall's remarks thereon - states Mr Walker's letter does not in any way remove grounds of complaint made to my letter of 13 <sup>th</sup> December 1856 [as it is – 1855?] viz: "That amount of £60 due upon Government appointment was kept back without any assigned reason (from September 1854 to September 1855) when according to enclosed letter Mr Walker was consulted upon subject 12 months subsequent ( in October 1856) [as it is – 1855?]  Mr Walker's condemnation of my professional services appears (notwithstanding his dismissal with ignominy from Native Police Force) to have been held as sufficient to justify continued withholding of my claim – requests to be at once put in possession of amount due, or enquiry be held into his conduct & Mr Walker's "ex parte" accusation entertained Also at top: "Further respecting his claim as Surgeon to Native Police" &  Notes in margin 56/00068  W V  Auditor General – blank cover – noted – to be returned Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 304 – MR*12 [very faint – part obscured]  Mr Brown's account certified by Mr Marshall has been received at this Office & objection to claim being paid is now removed – see Mr Marshall's	A2.35	659 – 660
					1856 03 17~ 1856 03 19~ 1856 03 22	memo on Mr Brown's letter of 10 <sup>th</sup> February herewith – amount was placed in Warrant on 14 <sup>th</sup> inst – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office & Notes re above Inform Mr Browne [as it is] in accordance with report of Auditor General Mr Brown		
	56/02353			J Stirling	1856 01 09	Enclosure in letter from Colonial Secretary to H H Brown 19 January 1856 Account rendered by Mr Brown is not certified by Commandant of Native Police - reference made to that Officer which was answered by letter - copy of this is appended		661
			Auditor General	Sydney Frederick Walker late Commandant Native Police	1855 10 11	Letter re claim made by Dr Brown of Gayndah for £60 being for three quarters of his allowance of £80 per annum as Medical Attendant to Native Police Force – makes following observations:  Was frequently informed by Officer in Charge at Traylan Dr Brown had been very remiss in his attendance on Troopers; during periods mentioned in his claim, he was not even within any of the Police Districts but was absent on exploring expedition as far north as Peak Range – according to		661 - 662

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						his own statement "to me" under the circumstances & considering great loss of life among Troopers, do not think this item should be allowed		
	56/02353		R P Marshall, Traylan	Gayndah Henry H Brown	1856 02 10	Letter forwarding enclosed copy of letter written by Mr Walker to Colonial Treasurer Auditor General relative to his claim for £60 for attendance upon Native Police & although scarcely deserving of notice, shall feel obliged by your making a written remark upon the enclosed & Notes in margin  I have already informed Government that I was at Traylan from February to September 1854 & that there was no neglect on your part during that period – I never made any complaint against you to Mr Walker during the period for which you claim payment – I did when you were just appointed complain at sum £80 being appropriated to one Police Station – I will certify		663
	55/00068	1856 01 02	Hon CS	Gayndah	1855 12 13	your claim – "R P Marshall"  At top: "H H Brown"	A2.35	664 – 665
	33/00000	1830 01 02	Tion Co	Henry Hort Brown	1000 12 10	Letter stating he has more than once applied to Auditor General for balance of his salary as Surgeon to Native Police during year 1854 & has not as yet received a reply – further states this being amount due upon a Government appointment, he is at a loss to understand why his claim has been so long delayed, as Vouchers signed by Commandant have already been sent to that Office months since & application also been made by him for permission to pay it &	A2.55	004 - 003
				"W E"	1856 01 03 1856 01 07~	Notes in margin Auditor General – blank cover – to be returned Noted		
				"J S"	1856 01 09	Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE–NEW WOUTH WALES / No 13-JA*7 [very faint] Account rendered by Mr Brown is not certified by Commandant of Native Police – reference was made to that Office which was answered by letter - copy of this is appended – blank cover &		
				"C D R"	1856 01 10~ 1856 01 19	Notes re above Let Mr Brown be informed of decision of Commandant of the Corps Mr Brown [Ref 56/02353]		
			Auditor General	Sydney Frederick Walker, late Commandant Native Police	1855 10 11	"Copy" At top: "56/02353"  [this is a duplicate of copy letter at p 661-662 – see for details; this copy letter is numbered "No 73"]  Letter re claim made by Dr Brown of Gayndah [No 73]		666 - 667
	56/02355	1856 03 08	Hon CS	Sydney for William Walker & Co Edward Lotze	1856 03 07	At top: "W Walker & Co"  Letter informing requested by their constituent Alexander Swanson of Yabber [also spelt Yabba] in Burnett District to enquire whether report has already been received by you on Mr Swanson's claim of £116-9-10 for Rations supplied by him to Native Police, referred to in your reply of 25 October 1855 to his application of 10 <sup>th</sup> of the same month – also enclose copy of Certificate of Mr Bligh, now in our hands, & to express hope that money due to Mr Swanson since last 17 months will now be paid [Margin: Why so much delay?] – seeking a reply &  Notes in margin 55/10949 – papers with Auditor	A2.35	668 – 669

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				"W E"	1856 03 10~ 1856 03 10~ 1856 03 11 1856 03 12~	Auditor General Refer to him - Immediate Blank cover – to be returned Noted Informed		
				"J S"	1856 03 14 1856 03 15~ 1856 03 15~ 1856 03 22	Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 303-MR*12 [faint parts] & Notes re above No report has yet been prepared on this claim against Mr Walker – have not been in position to take up papers in this case until within the last few days, having received on 8 <sup>th</sup> inst Mr Marshall's report on Mr Walker's explanations respecting the various claims made by individuals who furnished rations to Police Force under his command – whole question will however now receive the earliest possible attention – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Messrs Walker & Co may be informed Messrs Walker & Co		
	56/02355			Yabber John O'Connell Bligh Sub-Lieutenant, 8 <sup>th</sup> Section Native Police	1855 11 16	"Copy" [CERTIFICATE] I hereby certify that Rations to the amount of £116-9-10 were supplied to the Section under my command during the period from 18 <sup>th</sup> February to 30 <sup>th</sup> September 1854 by Alexander Swanson of Yabber		670
	55/10949	1855 10 22	Hon CS	Yabber, Wide Bay via Burnett Line~ Alexander Swanson	1855 10 10	At top: "Alexander Swanson" Letter stating has claim against Native Police for £116-9-10 for Rations supplied to Force previous to 30 September 1854 – has applied through Commandant of Force ("I believe the proper channel") for above sum – cannot obtain satisfactory answer, seeks information re course to pursue for recovery of long standing account against Government & Notes in margin Included in List of Claims already received, no particulars given, amount	A2.35	671 – 672
				"C D R" "W E"	1855 10 23~ 1855 10 25 1855 10 26~	included in cheque £130 given by Mr Walker to Mr Swanson & dishonoured Auditor General to report Blank Cover – to be returned Noted Informed Starman AUDIT OFFICE NEW SOUTH WALES (No. 734 OC*26)		
				Audit Office W C Mayne, Auditor General	1857 04 28 1857 04 29	Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 734-OC*26 Claim of Mr Swanson amounting to £116-9-10 has this day been forwarded to Treasury for payment – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office [Ref 56/02355] & Notes re above		
					1857 04 30 1857 04 30	Inform in terms of report of Auditor General A Swanson [Ref 56/02355]		
				"M F"	1856 03 10~ 1856 03 14~	Notes Can you tell me re state of this Do not find any letter from Bench on dates mentioned but question before Executive Council I understand is simply the appointment of other Magistrates in lieu of these gentlemen	A2.35	673
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names of Messrs Strathdee, Graham Magistrates – Executive Council 14 <sup>th</sup> Notes  Letter referred to in 56/0237 (56/84 1 1856 03 19-  "M F" 1856 03 10-  "M F" 1856 03 17-  "M F" 1856 03 18-  "M F" 1856 03	QS REI	SL EEL PAGE
1856 03 19-   Letter referred to in 56/02357 (56/84 t 15° December a 15° Decemb		
### F"	not have reached Gayndah when	675 – 6
James B Reid, Henry Herbert J C MacKay Henry Hort Brown  Letter stating (late acting Magistrates yet received answer to their communi request they be furnished with decisic convenience & Notes in margin Refer them to letter of 1st February [F. Moreton Balanter Properties]  Mivenhoe Joseph North Returning Officer  Seturning Officer  Wivenhoe Joseph North Returning Officer  1856 03 01  Hon CS  Wivenhoe Joseph North Returning Officer  1856 03 10  Wirenda / Parkara / Notes in margin Moreton / Ipswich / 14 February 1856 Wide Bay / Maryboro [see also Maryb Burnett / Gayndah / 11 February 1856 Maranoa / Surat / no revised list for at TOTAL: 100 An alphabetical list has been prepare & Notes in margin M F  "M F"  1856 03 17  Wivenhoe Joseph North  Hon CS  Wivenhoe Joseph North  Letter stating (late acting Magistrates yet received answer to their communi request they be furnished with decisic convenience & Notes in margin M F Returning Officer has been asked for present in force. It will be perceived the last year & that in the case of Marano been received  Letter stating (late acting Magistrates yet received answer to their communi request they be furnished with decisic convenience & Notes in margin M F Letter stating (late acting Magistrates yet received answer to their conmuni request they be furnished with decisic convenience & Notes in margin M F Letter stating (late acting Magistrates yet received answer to pet unished with decisic convenience & Notes in margin M F Letter stating (late acting Misch action prepare & Notes in margin M F Letter stating (late acting Answer to pet unished with decisic convenience) Letter stating (late acting Answer to pet unished with decisic convenience) Letter stating (late acting Answer to pet unished with decisic convenience) Letter stating (late acting Answer to pet unished with decisic convenience) Letter stating (late acting Answer to pet unished with decisic convenience) Letter stating (late acting Answer to pet unished with decisic convenience) Letter stating (late acting Answe	ated – waiting the appointment of other	
S6/02402   1856 03 10   Hon CS   Wivenhoe   Joseph North   Returning Officer   S6/02402   1856 03 10   At top: "Returning Officer forwarded, encloses amended Returning Officer   S6/02402   1856 03 10   At top: "Returning Officer forwarded, encloses amended Returning Officer   S6/02402   S6/0240	ecision of His Excellency at earliest	677
"M F"  "M F"  "M F"  "M F Returning Officer has been asked for present in force. It will be perceived the last year & that in the case of Marano been received  Hon CS  Wivenhoe Joseph North  "M F Returning Officer has been asked for present in force. It will be perceived the last year & that in the case of Marano been received  Letter stating revised Lists from the difference of the forwarded, encloses amended Return	A2.  Dr. Bay" Dr. For United Districts for which he is  List / Number] 55 / 10 1856 / 30  Maryborough] / November 1855 / 31 1856 / 29 for any year	2.35 678
Joseph North forwarded, encloses amended Return	od for number of Electors on the Roll at ved that in 2 cases the Lists are those of aranoa District the lists have never once	
Returning Officer  Pastoral Districts of which he is Retur [District / Date of Lists / Number] Brisbane / 1856 / 12 Ipswich / 1856 / 30 Gayndah / 1856 / 84 Surat / 1856 / 30 Maryborough / 1856 / 57 Total: 213 "Comp'd W B N"		679

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				"M F"	1856 04 01~ 1856 04 11~ 1856 04 11~	Ask him to explain All the Revised Lists for present Electoral Year having, since date of this letter, been received by Returning Officer, reference to him directed above will I presume be unnecessary – see copy of his subsequent letter herewith Approved		
	56/02404	1856 03 10	Hon CS	Wivenhoe Joseph North Returning Officer	1856 03 01	Letter in accordance with Circular of 7 <sup>th</sup> ult: reports present number of Polling Places quite sufficient for requirements of United Pastoral Districts for which he is Returning Officer &  Notes in margin	A2.35	681
				"M F"	1856 03 10~ 1856 03 10	M F Nothing required – Put by		
	56/02407	1856 03 11	Hon CS~	Government Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne "J M C"?	1856 03 10 1856 03 13~ 1856 03 19	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Letter informing Assistant Immigration Agent Moreton Bay has reported during severe case of childbirth found it necessary to obtain professional assistance of Dr Bell in addition to that of Dr Hobbs, Medical Officer of the Depot at Brisbane - Dr Bell attended patient Mrs Egan for period of 2 days [No 56/131] Para 2: Under circumstances recommends he may be authorised to pay Dr Bell £3-3-0 on account of his medical services & to charge same to his Public Account & Notes in margin Approved Auditor General, Immigration Agent	A2.35	682 – 683
	56/02409	1856 03 11	Hon CS	Government Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1856 03 10	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Forwarding for approval account for clerical assistance rendered to Assistant Immigration Agent at Moreton Bay £10-10-0 [No 56/132] Para 2: Expense incurred in consequence of investigations held into certain irregularities on board Immigrant Ships "Ramillies" & "Fortune" which rendered additional assistance necessary – requests authority to pay sum to John Piercy & charge same in his public account &	A2.35	684 – 686
				"W E"	1856 03 11 1856 03 12~	Notes in margin Auditor General – blank cover Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 302-MR*12		
				"J S"	1856 03 14	Similar expenses have been allowed in former cases when sanctioned by Governor General – amount would be charged against vote for Contingencies of Immigration Office in the Country Districts – blank cover £10-10-0		
				"W D"	1856 03 15~ 1856 03 15~ 1856 03 18 1856 03 22	Returned Colonial Secretary's Office For approval Approved Immigration Agent		
	56/02417			"M F"	1856 03 11~	Notes Request had better not be complied with for following very simple reason: letter appears to have taken 13 days to reach destination - if answer takes as long to reach Drayton (even though it were to leave today which is post day) present Returning Officer would not have time to make necessary arrangements for taking Poll at so distant a place – Nomination is 31st inst – the Poll 15th April	A2.35	687 – 688

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					1856 03 11~	Inform him accordingly		
					1856 03 11~	Mr McLean		
	56/02417	1856 03 11	Hon CS	Westbrook, Drayton	1856 02 27	At top: "J D McLean"		689 – 690
				J D McLean		Letter re necessity of appointing additional Polling Places in this Electoral		
				Returning Officer		District (ref CS letter 7 <sup>th</sup> inst No 13): states William Wilson JP & Charles		
						Henry Faucett JP [as it is – see also Fawcett] residents of Richmond River represented to him that 50-60 electors are located at Richmond River		
						Heads, nearest Polling Place 60 miles distant from them & they		
						recommend Polling Place be proclaimed for convenience of said electors –		
						in accordance with above recommends Polling Place be appointed at Pilot		
						Station Richmond River Heads		
						Also at top: "Returning Officer, Clarence & Darling Downs"		
					1856 03 11~	Note in margin – M F		
	56/02429	1856 03 11	Hon CS	Darling Downs	1856 02 26	At top: "F Aldrich"	A2.35	691
				Frank Aldrich		Letter re Clerkship of Petty Sessions at "Wambo" Maranoa District		
						becoming vacant & offering himself as candidate for post – to refer to		
						Bench of Magistrates re his character & capabilities		
						Notes in margin		
					1856 03 11~	WV		
					1856 03 11~	Not vacant that I am aware		
					1856 03 19~	Not yet vacant but Mr Westmacott's papers for retiring allowance have been received - now with Auditor General		
						been received - now with Auditor General		
					1856 02 09	Note [pinned to cover] - 55/11922 - Sent to Auditor		692
						[Cover]		693
						O H M S / The Honble / The Colonial Secretary / Sydney		
						[postmarked: SYDNEY-NEW SOUTH WALES / MR*10-1856; DRAYTON (postmark very blurred)		
						[Small square cut from letter – to remove postage stamp?]		
						&		
					1856 03 20~	Notes re above		
						This [obscured] is not yet vacant but in case of present clerk,		
						Mr Westmacott, with reference to his claim for Pension, is under consideration papers being at present with Auditor General		
				"W D"	1856 03 20	Name to be noted		
					1856 03 29~	Mr Aldrich		
				"W E"	1856 04 02	Clerk of Executive Council – blank cover – noted		
						<u>Executive</u> 56/205 – 2 April 1856		
				"M F"	1856 04 11	Withdrawn from Executive Council no vacancy having yet been declared at		
						Wambo		
					4050 05 04	No 56/169 – noted		
					1856 05 31 1856 06 02~	Present state of case of Mr Westmacott? With Executive Council		
					1030 00 02~	56/05960 [see A2.37 – p 27]		
					1856 06 02~	What is to be done with this?		
					1856 06 02~	Inform applicant in terms of Minute of 11th April		
i					1856 06 05	Mr Aldrich		

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	56/02489	1856 03 15	Hon CS	Court House, Drayton A W Manning P M	1856 03 03	At top: "Bench" Forwarding Bond executed by Mr Ravenscroft & one of his Sureties Doctor Walsh of this place – signature of other Bondsman will have to be executed at Parramatta Also at top: "Clerks Bond"	A2.35	694
					1856 03 15~	Notes in margin W V "1399"		
					1856 03 22 1856 04 17~ 1856 04 18~	Send to Police Magistrate Parramatta to procure signature of Mr Moore Police Magistrate Parramatta with Bond "On 15 <sup>th</sup> April" – resubmitted Bond has been received		
	56/01399	1856 02 09	Hon CS	Court House Drayton John F McDougall JP for the Bench	1856 01 29	At top: "Bench" Transmitting names of 2 gentlemen as Sureties to enter into Bond for Mr Ravenscroft for performance of duties as Clerk to this Bench viz William Walsh, Medical Practitioner in this District & John Moore, Freeholder of Parramatta – latter gentleman's recognizance might be executed in presence of his son-in-law Charles Bethel Lyons of same town &	A2.35	695 – 696
				(IAA DI	1856 02 09~ 1856 02 11~	Notes in margin W V Proposed Sureties for approval 55/10795 [see A2.34 - p 21]		
				"W D"	1856 02 08~ 1856 02 22	Approved Bench Drayton "On 1 <sup>st</sup> April" [Ref 56/02489]		
	56/02692	1856 03 18	Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor General	Government Resident's Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham, Government Resident	1856 03 05	At top: "Government Resident"  Enclosing letter from H Buckley tendering his resignation of office of Returning Officer for Electoral District of Stanley & having ascertained that John Frederick McDougall of Milton is willing to undertake duties of that office, commends him to Governor General for appointment [No 56/110] Para 2: Requests subject be brought to notice of His Excellency as early as convenient in order to meet requirements of probably early forthcoming Election & Notes at top:  To be registered? - Register	A2.35	697 – 698
				Michael Fitzpatrick, Clerk of the Council "W D"	1856 03 17~ [no date] 1856 03 17	Yes, but what has been done in the matter?"  & Notes in margin Council accordingly advise that John Frederick McDougall of Milton be appointed Returning Officer for Electoral District of Stanley Approved		
				VV D	1856 03 17 1856 03 18~ 1856 03 17~	Government Resident, Clerk Legislative Council, Gazette & Note re above – There is a steamer for Moreton Bay today		
	56/02692		Hon CS	Brisbane Henry Buckley	1856 03 04	Letter stating is his intention to offer himself as candidate for the representation of County of Stanley at forthcoming election, in consequence of which he wishes to resign his appointment as Returning Officer for the Electoral District above		699

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	56/02519			"M F"	1856 03 17~	Notes Commission has been submitted for appointment of successor to Mr Buckley – when instrument is forwarded to Captain Wickham would suggest he should be invited to explain to Mr McDougall the new Returning Officer necessity for  1 Endorsing on Writ the day on which he receives it  2 The giving notice of the day of Election etc  3 Appointment of himself in writing to Deputy Returning Officer, or the re-appointment if any already appointed by Mr Buckley Urgent - have no exact precedent but see 54/00120 [see A2.29 – p 280] & 45/02992	A2.35	700 – 701
				"W D"	1856 03 17	Let this be done [Ref 56/02692]		
	56/02519	1856 03 17	Hon CS	North Brisbane Henry Buckley	1856 03 10 1856 03 17~	At top: "Returning Officer – Stanley" Acknowledging receipt of Writ of Election for Electoral District of County of Stanley to return a Member to serve in Legislative Assembly, with your letter of instruction relative thereto: mentions his having tendered his resignation as Returning Officer for Electoral District of Stanley but pending His Excellency's acceptance of his resignation & appointment of his successor, he has notified in local journals to which is appended his signature that nomination of Member will take place at Brisbane on Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April next & in event of a contest Poll will be taken on 9 <sup>th</sup> April at Brisbane, Ipswich & Drayton, specifying hours at which such will take place – calls attention to new Polling Places mentioned in his last letter - should his suggestions be adopted, wishes to be advised for guidance of his successor – Writ herein referred to he has endorsed being received on 8 <sup>th</sup> March 1856 & Notes in margin		702
				"M F"	1856 03 17~	Successor has been named - Polling Places have been added		
	56/02703	1856 03 22	Hon CS	Office of Inspector General of Police, Sydney W C Mayne, Inspector General of Police	1856 03 19	[Ref 56/02692]  At top: "Inspector General of Police" Letter submitting correspondence from R P Marshall & Lieutenant Morisset of Native Police, enclosing offer on part of Surgeon H Brown to attend professionally Burnett & Wide Bay Division of the Force, to supply medicines at Gayndah, & to visit Police Barracks at Traylan occasionally for sum of £40 per annum payable quarterly - under reports herewith transmitted recommends he be authorised to retain on terms proposed for Burnett & Wide Bay Division of Native Police the medical services of Dr Brown if available when site of Head Quarters of that Division & of its Detachment are finally decided on [enclosures not filmed here] [No 56/62] &	A2.35	703 – 705
				"W E"	1856 03 26	Notes in margin Auditor General – blank cover – to be returned		
				Francis L S Merewether	1856 03 27~ 1856 04 02	Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 357-MR*27 Proposed allowance if authorized can be charged upon Vote of £200 to medical attendance & medicines for Native Police in Northern Districts – blank cover		
				"W D"	1856 04 03~ 1856 04 04	Returned Colonial Secretary's Office This seems reasonable		

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	56/02730	1856 03 20	Hon CS~	Government Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne "G W N"	1856 04 09 1856 03 19 1856 03 22~ 1856 03 29	Auditor General, Inspector General of Police  At top: "Agent for Immigration"  Letter forwarding in duplicate copies of correspondence of Local  Immigration Board at Brisbane relative to Immigrant Ship "Sabrina" for  transmission to Colonial Land & Emigration Commissioners (ref CS request in letter 8 <sup>th</sup> inst 56/94) [No 56/146]  & Notes in margin  W V  Mr Walcott	A2.35	706 – 707
	56/02049	1856 03 03	Hon CS	Government Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1856 03 08~ 1856 03 08	At top: "Agent for Immigration"  Transmitting copy of correspondence addressed to him by Local Immigration Board at Brisbane [Margin: See-56/02049] relative to Immigrant ship "Sabrina" in which they recommend fine of £25 be inflicted on Owners for breach of Charter Party in issue of flour of very inferior quality [No 56/112]  Para 2: Although not usual for Local Authorities to assess damages to be inflicted on ship owner for breach of Charter Party, complaint relating to this vessel is of so trivial a character & considered by Board wholly unconnected with cause of sickness which necessitated her detention in & consequent expense of quarantine – recommends fine £25 suggested by Board be adopted by Commissioners  & Notes in margin  To be forwarded to Commissioners Immigration Agent "On 1st April" [Ref 56/02730]	A2.35	708 – 710
	56/02049		Immigration Agent, Sydney	Immigration Office, Moreton Bay J C Wickham, W A Duncan, A C Kemball	1856 01 26~	Enclosure referred to in Immigration Agents letter to CS of 1 <sup>st</sup> March 1856 No 56/112 Letter reporting Immigrants per "Sabrina" released from quarantine 11 <sup>th</sup> inst, customary inspection by Local Board on following day: with few exceptions their appearance more healthy & robust than immigrants under ordinary circumstances usually present [No 164/55] All expressed themselves satisfied with treatment received on board - numerous complaints made with reference to quality of salt meat & flour supplied on voyage – to these various complaints entered in Inspection List & to some extent confirmed by report of Surgeon Superintendent, Board refers you Remaining stores in "Sabrina" surveyed by 2 competent judges deputed by Board - from their report, copy herewith forwarded, appears complaints regarding salt meat cannot be substantiated; at same time, Board have reason to believe portion of pork used on voyage was not of superior quality - also remarks such complaints more general in vessels chartered out of Liverpool then elsewhere In consequence of bad quality of flour supplied to immigrants per "Sabrina" Board have considered it their duty to recommend Charter Party be mulcted to amount of £25 - Board have pleasure in bringing under your notice creditable manner in which Surgeon Superintendent Mr Rowland [also spelt Rowlands] appears to have discharged duties on voyage, also judicious measures which, according to Report of Assistant Immigration Agent, he adopted for health & comfort of immigrants whilst in quarantine,		711 – 714

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						under trying circumstances – Board considers him entitled to favourable consideration, & seeks leave to recommend he be allowed, in addition to his gratuity, remuneration of not less than 1 guinea per diem for whole period he was in charge of Quarantine Station		
			Immigration Board, Brisbane	Brisbane William Thornton, R B Sheridan	1856 01 17	At top: "Copy referred to" Letter in compliance with request, we yesterday inspected immigrant's provisions on board "Sabrina" & report we have found all stores in question of good quality excepting flour which is musty		715
			Immigration Agent, Sydney	Immigration Office, Moreton Bay John C Wickham, W A Duncan, Arthur C Kemball	1856 02 18	Acknowledging receipt of his letter of 5 <sup>th</sup> inst enquiring if they are of opinion that any imperfection in fittings, equipment & ventilation, or bad quality of flour were instrumental in causing sickness & mortality on board "Sabrina", also grounds of their inflicting fine £25 on Owners: of opinion sickness was not attributable to any causes mentioned by you [No 195/55] Para 2: Amount of fine determined by them after flour had been only inspected - after mature deliberation of all circumstances are aware award was subject to revision of His Excellency & Commissioners of Emigration		716 – 717
	56/02746	1856 03 20	Hon CS~	Government Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne "J M C"	1856 03 09 1856 03 22 1856 03 25~	At top: "Agent for Immigration"  Submitting for approval accounts for rations supplied to Immigrants in Depot Moreton Bay for February last, amounting to £563-16-0 [No 56/152] Para 2: Entire sum voted for support of Country Depots is £3446-8-0 of which only £1800-0-0 appropriated for supply of provisions - having already expended £487-17-5 for rations for January, shall by paying these accounts expend more than one half of sum available for that purpose Para 3: As however incurred expenditure is unavoidable in consequence of recent large arrivals at Brisbane, conceive it will be better to obtain approval before paying accounts in question & Notes in margin  Auditor General – blank cover	A2.35	718 - 720
				Francis L S Merewether	1856 03 26 1856 03 26~ 1856 03 28~	Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 341-MR*25 Accounts must be paid - if sum already voted for this service for current year insufficient, further provision must be made in Supplementary Estimates – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office For approval £543-11-9 £ 20-4-3 £563-16-0		
				"W D"	1856 03 28 1856 03 31	Approved Immigration Agent		
	56/02780			Francis L S Merewether	1856 03 27	Notes Expense might be charged as suggested upon Vote for Department of the Surveyor General – if however forage allowance be granted to surveyors as proposed by Surveyor General, there would be no force in statement that expense would soon be covered by a saving in charge for forage – blank cover	A2.35	721
				"W D"	1856 03 29 1856 04 07	Returned Colonial Secretary's Office If forage is granted, paddock will be open for sale – thinks matter may be arranged as suggested by Surveyor General		

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					1856 04 14	Surveyor General		
	56/02780	1856 03 20	Hon CS~	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney, Surveyor General	1856 03 17	At top: "Surveyor General" Forwarding communication addressed to District Surveyor Galloway by several inhabitants of Brisbane [not filmed here] requesting George Street be thrown open to South Quay at River Bank for accommodation of public - recommends petition for consideration [No 56/168] Para 2: Compliance with request will involve necessity of re-fencing Surveyor's Paddock through which runs portion of George Street referred to – number of rods required about 158 - at 6/- per rod for substantial 3 rail fence will amount to £47-8-0 – as Mr Galloway states sum would soon be saved by economy in forage which would be required if surveyors were compelled to abandon their paddock – if petition acceded to, seeks authority for incurring this expense Also at top: "56/1785~"		722 – 724
				"W E"	1856 03 25 1856 03 26~	& Notes in margin Auditor General with reference to proposed expenditure – blank cover - to be returned Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 351-MR*26 Expense might be charged as suggested upon Vote for Department of the Surveyor General – if however forage allowance be granted to surveyors as proposed by Surveyor General, there would be no force in statement that expense would soon be covered by a saving in charge for forage [very faint – same as A G's note p 721] To be returned "H H"		
	56/02812	1856 03 20	Hon CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master  "W E"  Francis L S Merewether  "W D"	1856 03 19  1856 03 22 1856 03 25~  1856 03 25  1856 03 27~ 1856 03 28~ 1856 03 28 1856 04 07	At top: "Port Master" Transmitting copy of letter from Harbour Master Moreton Bay enclosing letter from Mr Watson one of the Pilots [No 56/37] Para 2: Although in this particular case there is some unexpected inconvenience, does not see how any compensation can be made to Mr Watson under existing regulations & Notes in margin Any precedent for an allowance in such a case? Auditor General – blank cover Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 343-MR*25 Not aware of any precedent for such an allowance – in Port Jackson Pilots do not board vessels in which there is infectious disease but Mr Watson states in his case would be impossible to take vessel in with a boat ahead - he would seem therefore to be fairly entitled to compensation for his detention if it involved him in any loss – as he is paid by fixed salary which was continued during his detention, cannot see any just grounds on which claim can be sustained – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office No extra allowance can, it is presumed, be paid No certainly not if he receives fixed salary Port Master	A2.35	725 – 726
	56/02812		Port Master	Harbour Master's Office,	1856 03 07	"Copy"		727

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				Moreton Bay W H Geary, Harbour Master		Letter enclosing letter from Mr Watson the Pilot, relative to his detention on board ship "Sabrina" in quarantine in this port [No 4/56] Circumstances of case appear hard but not in his power to make any alteration in Government Regulations & however strong appeal may be, has no alternative but to remit amount of the Pilot's detention to Government, unless he receives instructions to contrary		
			Captain Geary, Harbour Master Brisbane	Moreton Island C Watson	1856 03 01	"Copy"  Letter stating thinks it very hard case that he was to receive nothing for the long time he laid in quarantine with "Sabrina" some 47 days away from his family & they on almost a desolate Island – hopes it will be taken into consideration & this hard case be represented to Head Quarters  Very differently situated here to what they are in many Ports, having some 30 miles pilotage - impossible to take vessel through intricate passage, with boat ahead, in safety to anchorage – besides heavy risk of sickness which this ship had on board, being of very worst character, small pox & typus fever [as it is – Typhus fever] – hoping he will do his best on his behalf		728 - 729
	56/02813	1856 03 26	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney, Surveyor General	1856 03 19	At top: "Surveyor General" Forwarding for information of Governor General copy of Plan of Gladstone transmitted by my letter of 1st December last (ref CS letters 15th inst & 6th ult) [Plan not filmed here] [No 56/173] Also at top: "56/2272"	A2.35	730
				"M F" "M F"	1856 03 26~ 1856 03 27~	Notes in margin Immediate This is for Governor General – called for on 55/08447 [see A 2.32 – p775]		
				"W D"	1856 03 22 1856 04 08	55/12319 Hardly worthwhile making an alteration in the Plan Surveyor General (For Goodman) "H H"		
	55/12319			"M F"	1856 03 10~	[Precis] Government Resident Port Curtis having pointed out some defects in Plan of Township of Gladstone, Governor General called for copy of it in order to enable him to judge value of Captain Connell's [as it is] suggestions – this was furnished by Surveyor General but it was soon after lost, whether at Council Office, Printing Office, or here does not appear – it was at one time supposed to have been found, but what was found turned out to be not this Plan, c.a.d. the amended Plan furnished by Surveyor General, but one sent by Captain O'Connell – Surveyor General was asked on 6 <sup>th</sup> February last to furnish copy of missing Plan but not having done so, it is proposed to remind him &	A2.35	731 – 732
					1856 03 11~ 1856 03 15	Notes Approved Surveyor General "In a month" [Ref 56/02813]		
	55/12319				1855 12 27~	Notes Enquire whether Plan is at Council Chamber At Government Printing Office 55/528		733 – 734
				"M F"	1855 12 30 1856 01 03 1856 01 29~	Enquired at Printing Office, discovered it was returned to Council Chamber Now herewith Enclosed Plan is not the one sent in by Surveyor General in 55/12319 nor		

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				"M F"	1856 01 31~ 1856 02 06 1856 03 03~ 1856 03 07~	can I trace what has become of it – perhaps therefore Surveyor General may be required to furnish a copy Yes Surveyor General "In a week" – resubmitted To be reminded? Precis		
	55/12319	1855 12 05	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney, Surveyor General	1855 12 01 1855 12 18~	At top: "Surveyor General" Forwarding letter received from Surveyor MacCabe [see also McCabe] [not filmed here – see A2.34, p 378] in pursuance of instructions issued to him in accordance with CS letter 25 <sup>th</sup> September last No 823 [Margin: 55/08447~] to submit such a modification of Plan of Town of Gladstone as may ensure readiest access to Harbour or landing & shipping places [No 55/1019] Para 2: Transmits also Plan of Town [not filmed here] & requests same may be returned & Notes in margin [very faint - difficult to read] Some note should be made on such papers. I think enclosed when returned to me – Returned 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov? – Perhaps for G G's decision but the		735 – 736
	56/02846	1856 03 25	Hon CS	Brisbane Hospital W A Duncan, Treasurer	1856 03 18	Plan not with the Papers "H H" [Ref 56/02813]  At top: "Secretary"  Transmitting List of Subscriptions & Donations received in aid of funds of Hospital for current year [not filmed here]: requests Warrant be prepared for payment of £300 voted in Appropriation Act for 1856 for this service & Notes in margin	A2.35	737
				"W E" Francis L S Merewether	1856 03 25~ 1856 03 28 1856 04 03 1856 04 07~ 1856 04 09~	W V Forwarded – March 18/56 – "J C W" Auditor General – blank cover – noted – to be returned Stamp: "AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 366-MR*28 Warrant (No 222) for issue of £300 prepared - List of Subscriptions found to be correct & retained to support Voucher to the payment when made Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Inform		
	56/02870	1856 03 25	Hon CS	Police Office, Gayndah Arthur E Halloran JP Police Magistrate  "M F" "W D"	1856 04 21 1856 03 10 1856 03 25~ 1856 03 26 1856 03 28	W A Duncan  At top: "Bench of Magistrates Gayndah" Letter enclosing for approval Table of Fees to be taken at Public Pound Gayndah [not filmed here], under Act of Council 19 Vict No 36 as agreed upon this day in Petty Sessions [No 56/6] Para 2: Remarks there not being any Clerk of Petty Sessions at this Bench at present, he has signed document where signature of that functionary ought to be affixed & Notes in margin For approval Approved Published in Gazette of 28 <sup>th</sup> March Bench	A2.35	738 - 739
	56/02892	1856 03 25	Hon CS	Wivenhoe Joseph North, Returning Officer	1856 03 10	At top: "Returning Officer – Moreton, Wide Bay & Burnett etc"  Letter acknowledging receipt of Writ of Election for United Pastoral Districts	A2.35	740

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						for which he is Returning Officer		
				"M F"	1856 03 25~	& Notes in margin - Noted - "Put by"		
	56/02935	1856 03 29	Hon CS	Wivenhoe	1856 03 18	At top: "Returning Officer – Moreton Bay, Wide Bay etc"	A2.35	741
				Joseph North, Returning Officer		Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 7 <sup>th</sup> inst - recommends additional Polling Place (for the District of Wide Bay) named in margin: Mr Goode's Burnett Inn - District of Wide Bay		
				"M F"	1856 03 29~	Notes re above It is impossible now to comply with this – Nomination takes place <u>today</u> & although 19 days allowed for Poll, would be very dangerous course at so		742
				"W D"	1856 03 29	late a period to make an additional Polling Place Cannot be done Urgent		
					1856 03 31~	Mr North		
	56/02941	1856 03 29	Hon CS	Brisbane Hospital, Brisbane Alexander McClosky, Secretary	1856 03 24	At top: "Secretary"  Letter stating directed by Committee of this Institution to apply to you to allow Colonial Storekeeper to give out of stock 12 Iron Bedsteads for use of this establishment  Para 2: Hospital is in absolute want of bedsteads  Para 3: Committee hope to get them at cost price  &	A2.35	743
				W Elyard for the CS	1856 04 05 1856 04 07~	Notes in margin Referred for report of Colonial Storekeeper - blank cover – to be returned Noted		
				"J B" "W D"	1856 04 08 1856 04 10~ 1856 04 10~ 1856 04 10~ 1856 04 19	12 Military bedsteads could be spared from Store without inconvenience - their price 26/- each – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office For approval Approved Secretary, Colonial Storekeeper		
	56/02971	1856 03 29	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office,	1856 03 27	At top: "Surveyor General"	A2.35	744
	30/029/1	1000 00 29	1101100	Sydney George Barney, Surveyor General	1030 03 27	Letter in accordance with Regulations 27 <sup>th</sup> August 1853 respecting Land Sales beyond Settled Districts, forwarding Schedule & Surveyor's original descriptions of Town lands [not filmed here] for proclamation & sale at Gladstone [No 56/189] & Notes in margin	A2.55	7
				"M F"	1856 03 29~ 1856 04 09	In a fortnight Surveyor General "H H"		
	56/02992	1856 03 27	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney George Barney, Surveyor General	1856 03 25	At top: "Surveyor General"  Letter transmitting, in accordance with Regulations 8 <sup>th</sup> March 1853 respecting Establishment of Local Land Offices, Schedule & Surveyor's descriptions in original of portions of land [not filmed here] for proclamation & sale at Police Office Brisbane at such time as His Excellency may direct [No 56/183]	A2.35	745
				"M F"	1856 03 28~ 1856 04 01~ 1856 04 09	Notes in margin May be submitted in a fortnight Approved – Proclamation will of course under new Regulation have to be submitted to Executive Council Surveyor General "H H"		

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						CORRESPONDENCE RESPECTING FITTING UP VESSEL FOR PURPOSE OF LIGHT SHIP FOR MORETON BAY p 746 – 796		
	56/03000	1856 03 27	Hon CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1856 03 26	At top: "Port Master"  Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 18 <sup>th</sup> inst No 49 [Margin: 56/01337] & refers to CS letter 7 <sup>th</sup> March 1855 No 56 [Margin: 55/01768] wherein Governor General approves "of Light Ship at Sow & Pigs being removed to Moreton Bay for purposes of a Light Vessel" & requesting him to submit for approval Estimate of probable expense [No 56/43]  Para 2: Estimate having been submitted & amount voted by Legislative Council, & instructions given to him to prepare Light Ship for Moreton Bay, applied in his letter 6 <sup>th</sup> ult for sanction to make appointment of Superintendent & crew as soon as vessel ready to proceed to her Station Also at top: "Respecting appointment of Superintendent & 4 Light Keepers for the Floating Light for Moreton Bay"	A2.35	746 - 747
				"W D"	1856 03 28 1856 03 31 1856 03 28~	Notes in margins Appointment would be quite premature at present Port Master Provision being made for Establishment on an Estimate does not convey any approval of appointment as stated in enclosed – seems premature to take any steps for making these appointments as Port Master does not seem to be in position to say when vessel will be ready to be sent to Moreton Bay – see his letter 56/02980 reporting repairs required		
	56/01337	1856 02 07	Hon CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1856 02 06	At top: "Port Master"  Letter re Governor General's approval of appointment of Superintendent & 4 Light Keepers for Floating Light for Moreton Bay & Legislative Council having voted salaries & contingencies: asks whether he is to take steps for bringing relative merits of applicants for appointment under notice of Pilot Board [No 56/18]  Para 2: Sum voted is £863-6-0 viz as underneath [Table]  [Floating Light: Fixed Salary / Temporary Increase / Total]  Superintendent: £120 / £100 / £220  4 Light Keepers £4 a month  & 2/9 a day each: £192 / £201-6-0 / £393-6-0  £312 / £301-6-0 / £613-6-0  Oil for the Light £200  Repairs & Incidental Expenses £50-0-0	A2.35	748 – 749
					1856 02 13~ 1856 02 14~ 1856 02 14~ 1856 02 14~ 1856 03 18	TOTAL  Revenue – Nil  &  Notes in margin Former papers Herewith Port Master may perhaps be asked when this authority was given, & when Light Vessel will be ready to send to Moreton Bay Yes Port Master "On 1st April" [Ref 56/03000]		

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	55/07882	1855 07 20	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 07 18 1855 07 20	At top: "Port Master" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 13 <sup>th</sup> Inst No 191 [Margin: 55/07304] received 16 <sup>th</sup> with its enclosure which he returns with his report on same [No 55/135] & Notes in margin Government Resident [Ref 56/01337]	A2.35	750
	55/07304	1855 07 09	Hon CS~	Brisbane, Moreton Bay J C Wickham, Government Resident	1855 07 06	At top: "Government Resident at Moreton Bay" Having been informed Light Vessel, now stationed at "Sow & Pigs" shoal, is to be sent to Moreton Bay for purpose of being placed as leading mark to vessels passing between the Banks to northward of Moreton Island, states unless she is in every way calculated to ride in short & irregular sea, she will not be so well suited for services as the "Bramble" [No 55/145] Para 2: In his letter of 23 February 55/14~ [Margin: 55/02054] he suggested best description of vessel would be one built somewhat in form of Dutch Galliot, but if such could not be procured, "Bramble" would answer the purpose Para 3: Does not know for what purpose "Sow & Pigs" Light Vessel was originally built, but if solely for service in which now employed, is more than probable that her qualities as a roadster were not much considered Para 4: Position in which Light Vessel for Moreton Bay will require to be placed is 5 miles from land, where she will be exposed at times to a strong sea, therefore she should be strong, well built vessel & thinks not less than 120 or 150 tons burden – a strongly built coasting vessel of that tonnage would be well suited for purpose Para 5: Has no doubt Port Officer of Sydney when he visited Moreton Bay satisfied himself as to description of vessel required & probably the Sydney Light Vessel possesses all the necessary qualities – fears unless Pilots & Boats Crews feel satisfied on this head, there will be great difficulty getting them to live on board Para 6: Under any circumstances, suggests some extra allowance be made to Pilots & their men while living on board Light Vessel, thinks some encouragement will be necessary	A2.35	751 - 754
				"C D R"	1855 07 09~ 1855 07 13	Notes in margin Referred to Port Master Mr Moriarty for an answer to the several queries in this letter Port Master [Ref 55/07882]		
				Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 07 17	Port Master's Notes in margins pp752-753 Had I any power of procuring a vessel in every respect suitable as a light ship, I would have had a vessel rather larger than Light Ship now at Heads, indeed at least 160 tons. "Bramble" having been placed at disposal of Government, had only to deal with the only other vessel we had, namely the one at "Sow and Pigs" & knowing how absurd it would be to expect to fit out any other vessel for £1000 (money at disposal of Government) could only suggest what was most judicious alternative in position we were placed. That Light Vessel at "Sow and Pigs" will ride as easily as the "Bramble" admits of no question whatever - vessel was originally built as a light ship, upon a model obtained from England, & is constructed in the way light ships in England always are. "Bramble" is not framed to ride so easily in a seaway, she has a square tuck which renders her very unsuitable to		

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				"C D R"	1855 07 21~	ride in shoal water, & on the whole, although having an advantage in point of size, is in other respects not so well qualified. Does not see very well what Pilots, or their crew have to do with the matter - never contemplated such an absurdity as to leave manning, or charge of vessel to them. As a matter of convenience they may occasionally take shelter there, but apprehends their duties will keep them at entrance of the Bay on the Island, on the look out for vessel entering  Let Captain Wickham be informed of the construction of the Light Ship about to be sent to Moreton Bay		
	55/05009	1855 05 26	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 05 25 1855 05 26~ 1855 05 28 1855 07 05~	At top: "Port Master" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 22 <sup>nd</sup> inst No 145 [Margin: 55/04378]: encloses for insertion in Government Gazette Notice [not filmed here] inviting Tenders for converting "Bramble" into a Light Ship for "Sow & Pigs" [No 55/109] & Notes in margin W V - Urgent Notice "On 15 June" – resubmitted [Ref 55/07304]	A2.35	755 – 756
	55/04378	1855 05 10	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 05 08 1855 05 19~ 1855 05 22	At top: "Port Master"  Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 7 <sup>th</sup> March last No 56 [Margin: 55/01768]: in accordance with instructions in 2 <sup>nd</sup> para, submits for approval Specification & Estimate of Alterations necessary for converting the "Bramble" into a Light Ship for the "Sow & Pigs" [No 55/88] & Notes in margins  Vessel at Sow & Pigs to be removed to Moreton Bay as Light Vessel & "Bramble" substituted for her — as "Bramble" was to have been fitted out for Moreton Bay, expense of what is now proposed will form charge on sum voted for that purpose & Notice for Tenders should be published immediately — See Minute on 55/01768 "On 1 <sup>st</sup> June" [very faint]  This was delayed as wished to see Port Master & sent him a note but he has not called To go forward as above mentioned~ Port Master [Ref 55/05009]	A2.35	757 – 758
	55/04378		Mr Moriarty Port Master	Sydney John Cuthbert	1855 05 08	"Copy" Letter informing he is willing to perform the shipwright's work required to convert H M S "Bramble" into a Light Ship (agreeable to specification) & to find all labour & material for sum of £585, work to be performed in substantial & workmanlike manner & subject to approval of Port Master		759
	55/04378					"Copy"  Specification of Shipwright's Work required to convert H M S "Bramble" into a Light Ship  1 To clear old Bulwarks from Beams, to fore end of Deck Houses  2 To trim Decks fore & aft & the sides from Copper [Capper?] to Gunwale  3 To clear false Counter & Stern channel ways, chain bolts & all unnecessary gear  4 To clear Lower Deck, clean & white wash [also whitewash] Lower Hold, & fit a Deck nine inches lower down		760 – 761

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						5 To fit Stanchions, Covering Boards, rails Bulwarks etc same height as old Bulwark 6 To refasten (where required) Caulk & scrape sides & Deck to get 2 coats of Paint or Varnish 7 To build Light room on Upper Deck, similar to Light Room in present Light Ship 8 To repair the Copper [Capper?] where required 9 To repair & make in an efficient state the Windlass 10 To fit Davids [as it is – Davits?] of sufficient strength to hoist Boats 11 To fit Iron Crane for purpose of hoisting water, provisions etc 12 To fit Mast of good sound hardwood, not less than 46 feet over Deck 13 Sky lights companions, gratings etc to be properly repaired glazed & painted 14 All Bulkheads, Lockers etc to be fitted where required 15 Deck Houses abaft to be repaired 16 Bilge Pumps to be repaired & fitted with new Boxes 17 To fit Gangway & Cabin Ladders 18 All Cleats, Rigging & Eye Bolts etc that may be required to be fitted & properly secured		
	55/04190					Note: This does not include the Lights - fixing them should be provided for [PRINTED FORMS] p 762 - 763 ESTIMATE OF THE PROBABLE EXPENDITURE of the ESTABLISHMENT of the Floating Light, Moreton Bay for the Year 1856 [amounts including rates are recorded here] Salaries / Authorised for 1855 / Proposed for 1856 Superintendent, Light Keepers (4) Total Salaries Contingencies of the Establishment / Authorised for 1855 / Proposed for 1856 Oil for the Light, Repairs & Incidental Expenses Total Contingent Expenses incurred through other departments / Authorised for 1855 / Proposed for 1856 Stores Total Recapitulation of the Probable Expenditure for 1856 Salaries: £612-15-0 Allowances: Nil Contingencies of Establishment: £250-0-0 Contingencies to be obtained through other Departments: £50-0-0 TOTAL: £912-15-0  p 764: [PRINTED FORM] ESTABLISHMENT OF Floating Light Moreton Bay RETURN of the Probable Expenditure on account of Buildings for the Year 1856 - Nil [Blank Form]	A2.35	762 – 765

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						ESTABLISHMENT OF RETURN of the Probable Expenditure on account of Furniture for the Year 1856 - Nil [Blank Form]		
	55/04007	1855 04 27	Hon CS	Civil Engineer's Office, Sydney Gother K Mann	1855 04 26	At top: "Civil Engineer"  Letter in reply to CS letter No 58 of 5 <sup>th</sup> inst transmitting copy of letter from Port Master: states has on charge at Cockatoo Island 9 Pigs (small) of Iron Ballast & 60 pounds weight of old composition metal for castings, taken from "Bramble" as required for his Department & previous to her being handed over to Harbour Master's Department [No 154]  Para 2: No means of knowing number of Pigs of Ballast on board "Bramble" - never furnished with Return – from leaky state of vessel & incompleteness of arrangement for pumping her, was not possible to ascertain number in her hold – further, since "Bramble" at Cockatoo, quantity of Ballast taken from her by boat from one of her Majesty's ships, believes the "Calliope"  Para 4 [as it is - no para 3] Aware from personal inspection of "Bramble" at Cockatoo, after she was towed there by Harbour Master, that there were no Brass Belaying Pins, nor were any ever handed over - were however some worn Metal Shives in vessel's sides & these are included in 60 pounds weight of metal noted above &	A2.35	766 – 768
				"C D R"	1855 04 29~ 1855 05 03	Notes in margin Let Harbour Master be informed Port Master [Ref 55/04378]		
	55/03109	1855 04 02	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 03 31 1855 04 05~	At top: "Port Master" Letter reporting Schooner or Hulk "Bramble" was yesterday towed by steamer from Cockatoo Island to off Cuthbert's Wharf in charge of First Assistant Harbour Master [No 55/55] Para 2: Reports on board 73 pieces of Pig Iron on deck, 2 Lever Bars for Windlass, 2 Bower Anchors & Cables, & 3½ feet of water in her hold & no pumps on board to pump her out Para 3: On his visit last week there were on board 78 pieces [as it is] of Pig Iron & Brass Belaying Pins, which have since disappeared – under circumstances would suggest enquiry be made as to what became of all her appurtenances & to prevent further inroads, has placed her in charge of 2 men – trusts His Excellency will approve & Notes in margin Let copy of this be sent to Civil Engineer Cockatoo Island with request that if possible he will explain the matter complained of by Port Master Civil Engineer Cockatoo Island [very faint] "On 15 April" [Ref 55/04007]	A2.35	769 - 771
	55/02480	1855 03 16	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 03 14	At top: "Port Master" Letter stating 1st Assistant Harbour Master proceeded to Cockatoo Island for purpose of towing "Bramble" to Sydney to undergo necessary alteration for her conversion into Light Vessel for Sow and Pigs (ref CS letter 7th inst No 56 – Margin: 55/01768, 55/02054] [No 55/43] Para 2: Superintendent would not permit removal of vessel without "an order from you" – requests it be conveyed at earliest convenience Para 3: Nothing on board to enable vessel to be unmoored such as Handspikes, Warps or Tackles, these he presumes will be necessary for him to procure immediately – also 3½ feet water (rain) in her hold which	A2.35	772 – 774

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				"C D R"	1855 03 23~	Superintendent will have pumped out if ordered by you Para 4: Vessel's bottom is so foul that small steam boat will be required to tow her down, expense about £5 & Notes in margin Port Master was to have reported what he proposed to have done on vessel & to send Estimate of Expense [Estimate – see p 795] – should perhaps be reminded of this & Superintendent authorised to deliver vessel to him & to have water pumped out – Port Master may also be authorised to incur expense of steamer to remove vessel, if he considers this absolutely necessary - [these notes crossed out: Port Master should however perhaps see Captain Wickham's letter 55/02054 before he does anything further, as from his asking for sails there may be doubt whether vessel at Sow and Pigs is altogether suitable — 21 <sup>st</sup> ] Harbour Master having given no notice to Civil Engineer of his intention to send for "Bramble" no orders of course had been given to give her up to Port Master – she will now be given when required – of course Port Master will forward means of unmooring her & Superintendent at Cockatoo will approve having her pumped out Steam boat may be engaged		
					1855 03 24~	Visiting Magistrate Cockatoo, Port Master [Ref 55/03109 – <i>very faint</i> ]		
	55/02054	1855 03 05	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident	1855 02 23	At top: "Government Resident at Moreton Bay" Letter informing of his observing on his return to Moreton Bay in steamer "Boomerang", great necessity for vessel to be anchored as leading mark for ships entering Bay, in order they may be conducted with confidence between Banks during strong winds when it is difficult to ascertain positions of Buoys & impossible to see them, until close to them - requests Light Vessel be fitted & sent here as soon as possible [No 54/14 - as it is - 55/14?]  Para 2: Informed "Bramble" is intended for this service - suggests if vessel built somewhat on model of Dutch Galliot, could be procured instead she would answer the purpose better - would draw less water & be more on an even keel, & thereby ride more easily in short broken sea, to which she will be at times exposed - still "Bramble" may answer the purpose Para 3: Great care will be necessary in preparing Light Vessel, to see that her moorings are sufficient, & the Bridles long enough to admit of at least 50 fathoms & that Hawse Pipes & Bitts are thoroughly secured - she should be provided with 2 spare Bower Anchors & chain cables of 75 fathoms each - also a Stream Anchor & cable & suggests she should be supplied with 2 Kedge Anchors & Hawsers, to be kept in readiness for any emergency - Iron Davits of good length & strong enough to carry a 30 ft Whale Boat, should be fitted to each side, & in order to be prepared for the worst, she should be rigged with strong Jury Masts as a Schooner, or ketch, & provided with a suit of strong sails - might also be desirable that there should be a Small? Gun & a few Rockets on board for purpose of making signals in event of breaking from her moorings  Para 4: In order that no anxiety or inconvenience should be provided with Iron Tanks, capable of containing sufficient for 3 months for 12 people  Para 5: Communication between Light Vessel & Pilot Station on Moreton Island may be necessary at times when a boat cannot be spared, or when weather will not admit of one being used - think each	A2.35	775 - 780

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						with set of Flags & Signal Books, such as are used in the Merchant Service Also at top: "Morton Bay [as it is] &		
				"C D R"	1855 03 08~	Notes in margin What steps have been taken in this matter – see Governor General's note		
						on 55/01768		
					1855 03 14~	Port Master was called on, on 7 <sup>th</sup> inst to report what he proposes to do in pursuance of Governor General's Minute on 55/01768 & to submit		
						Estimate of Probable Expense of carrying out arrangement without delay~ [Ref 55/02480]		
	55/01768	1855 02 24	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 02 22	At top: "Port Master"  Letter informing he has caused both vessels to be examined by Shipwright Surveyor to Pilot & Steam Navigation Board in his presence (ref CS letter 17 <sup>th</sup> inst No 40 – Margin: 54/04943): in their opinion "Bramble" is not so well suited for Light Ship at Moreton Bay as vessel now fixed at Sow and Pigs & that "Bramble" will answer equally well there - expense of this arrangement will fall considerably below what would be inevitable were "Bramble" sent to Moreton Bay as originally proposed [No 55/26]	A2.35	781 – 782
						& Notes in margin		
				"C D R"	1855 03 02~	Arrangement suggested in this letter is probably the best that can be		
				"W D"	1855 03 02	carried out		
	55/04943				1855 03 07	Port Master [Ref 55/02054]  Notes [written over on pp 784 & 785 – difficult to read]	A2.35	783 – 785
	33/04943				1854 11 10 1854 12 22~	Originally intended to convert "Bramble" into Light Ship for Moreton Bay & Port Master in 54/04943 submitted Estimate of Probable Expense - subsequently proposed by Inspecting Officer of Volunteers that with certain alterations she would be well suited for a Gun Boat. Vessel consequently thoroughly examined & Estimate submitted by Port Master 54/09107 of Expense of repairs & alterations which it would be requisite to make – this sum £1000 was considered to be excessive, therefore considered more desirable to purchase a new Vessel for a Gun Boat & to appropriate the "Bramble" as a Light Ship as originally intended. Accompanying copy of letter addressed to Port Master shows present state of the matter Tender has now been accepted for building Gun Boat – "Bramble" may therefore as already ordered be fitted as Light Ship for Moreton Bay for which sum of £1150 has been voted on Supplementary Estimates – Port Master may perhaps be requested to prepare specification of requisite alterations & to submit Notice inviting Tenders for performance of the work	A2.33	765 - 765
					1855 02 01~ 1855 02 12~	& Note re above "On 15 <sup>th</sup> January" Resubmitted		
					1854 12 22~	& Notes written over the above at p 784 & 785 p 784: This Tender must be to the model Captain Fitzgerald – It is too altogether		
				"C A F"	1854 12 23~ 1855 01 06	p 785: Approved Port Master		
				"W D"	1855 02 13~ 1855 02 15~	Not answered Port Master to report whether "Bramble" is fit for a Light Vessel at Moreton		

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					1855 02 17	Bay or whether present vessel at the Sow & Pigs might not be sent up there, "Bramble" supplying her place here Port Master [Ref 55/01768]		
	54/04943	1854 06 07	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1854 06 06	At top: "Port Master" Acknowledging receipt of Acting CS letter 1 <sup>st</sup> inst No 54/134 [Margin: 54/04136] & enclosing Probable Estimate of what would be required to fit up & forward "Bramble" to Moreton Bay for purpose of Light Ship, as also Estimate of Yearly Expenditure for her support [Estimates not filmed here – see p 795] [No 54/63]		786
				"C A F" "W E"	1854 06 19~ 1854 06 12	& Notes in margin For the Treasurer & Auditor General for Estimates Blank cover Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / JU*13-No 206 [Ref 55/01768]		
	54/04136	1854 05 11	Hon CS	Her Majesty's Ship "Calliope", Port Jackson J C Fitzgerald, Captain	1854 05 10	At top: "Captain Fitzgerald"  Letter informing Acting Lieutenant Heath of this ship lately employed in sounding entrance to Moreton Bay with view to ascertaining best position~ [obscured] for Light Vessel: encloses his report & tracing of his survey, also list of Officers & men employed on this occasion & requests they may be paid as arranged by Government Resident Brisbane viz  Mr Heath as a Naval Surgeon (£1-1-0 per diem) & the other parties at same rate as those lately employed on works at the Heads  &	A2.35	787 – 788
				"C D R"	1854 05 16 1854 05 17 1854 05 12~	Notes in margin Captain Fitzgerald Auditor General For the Auditor General – Immediate		
				"W E" "J S"	1854 05 12~ 1854 05 13	Blank cover – noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 378-MY*13 Form of Account is herewith transmitted – Expense may be charged on Vote of £100 for maintaining a Light on Cape Moreton – blank cover		
				"C D R"	1854 05 16~ 1854 05 16~	Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Let enclosed Account be forwarded to Capt Fitzgerald to be made out according to form therein specified &		
				"J W L"?	1854 05 20~	Notes re above Orders have been given for payment of allowance to Officers & men – are any instructions to be given, with reference to Report of Survey &		
				"C A F"	1854 05 22~	arrangement for Light Vessel Gave Port Master verbal instructions to furnish report of Estimate of what would be required to fit up & forward "Bramble" to Moreton Bay for this service – if he does not send them by the end of the week he may be		
					1854 05 29~	requested to expedite them Has report been received Mr Townshend Apparently not		
					1854 06 01	Port Master "On 15 <sup>th</sup> June" [Ref 54/04943]		
	54/04136		Captain J C Fitzgerald	H M S "Calliope" at sea	1854 05 08	Letter stating in accordance with orders, forwarding tracing of his late		789 – 79

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			H M S "Calliope" Senior Officer in the Australasian Station	G P Heath, Acting Lieutenant	[Monday]	Survey at Moreton Bay (original chart being left with Capt Wickham R N Government Resident at Brisbane) with view to ascertaining best position in which "Bramble" could be placed as a leading mark for vessels making the Northern Entrance – of the 2 positions laid down in the tracing, the more Western is less within influence of tide, which when running to windward against a strong breeze raises a heavy sea, not much more in the Channel than elsewhere, as it runs there, upwards of 2 knots – in that position also a vessel would be a much more direct mark for the Entrance In the more Eastern position she would be in the strength of the tide, without having a sufficient depth of water on the Spit (off wind is Buoy B) to afford shelter in an Easterly or N Easterly gale – also forwards List of Officers & men forming the boat's crew who were employed & the number of days occupied in that service		
						Officers & Men employed / Number of days Lieut G P Heath / 7; H P Baker - Midshipman / 4; Philip Webb - Coxswain / 4; George Cooper - A B / 4; Charles Oliver - A B / 4; Joseph Hoskins - A B / 4; Thomas Harfield - A B / 4; Edward Stone - A B / 4; Henry Woodley - Ord / 4; Walter Pearson - Ord / 4; William Busbridge - Ord / 4		791
						[CHART] Soundings of the Northern Entrance to Moreton Bay by Lieutenant G P Heath, H M S "Calliope", J C Fitzgerald, Captain April 1854 Scale: one inch to a mile nearly~ Features noted on chart: p 792: North Arrow~; North Banks; Channel – SW*WW (mag); East Banks; B [Buoy B?]; Channel – SE*S (mag); West Banks p 793: 2 proposed positions for "Bramble"; Flinders Rocks [part obscured]; Cape Moreton; Channel – SW*WW (mag); East Banks; B [Buoy B?]; Channel – SE*S (mag); West Banks		792 – 793
	54/04943		Hon Acting Auditor General	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1854 09 18	At top: "Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 1622-SR*19" Acknowledging receipt of his letter of this date No 634: states has not received any definite instructions respecting fitting up "Bramble" for the purposes of a Light Ship for Moreton Bay – has been informed it is now intention of Government to convert her into a Gun Boat for the protection of Port Jackson [No 54/126]	A2.35	794
	54/04943					Floating Light at Moreton Bay – Estimate of Outlay Expenses of fitting up "Bramble", about Lanthorns, Lamps etc  *Masts, Sails etc to sail to Moreton Bay, about 2 Boats  * Note added here: I presume these would be disposed of on mooring the vessel & that a large portion of outlay would thus be recovered – 13  Annual Expenditure Superintendent's salary  £120-0-0		795

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						Memo She would require anchors & chains, heavier than present, but difference in expense would not be material as present chains & anchors when sold would pay for heavier ones, a smaller quantity of chain being necessary		
				Port Master's Office, Sydney	1856 08 13	At top: "A copy"  Mr Geary's first letter relative to absence of Buoy "A" at Moreton Bay is dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> August 1855 upon which a requisition for a new Buoy & moorings was forwarded in usual course to Colonial Storekeeper, which appears to have been mislaid there	A2.35	796
						The date of the Notice calling for Tenders is 3 <sup>rd</sup> of June 1856		
						The repairs to the Lightship [see also Light ship] are rapidly progressing she is caulked, dubbed & will be ready to proceed to her station in a month There are 7 men employed		
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