



NEW SOUTH WALES – COLONIAL SECRETARY

LETTERS RELATING TO MORETON BAY AND QUEENSLAND RECEIVED 1822 – 1860

LETTERS RECEIVED 1855 AND PAPERS FILED WITH THEM – REEL A2.32 CONTINUED FROM REEL A2.31

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	55/03822	1855 04 24	Hon CS	25 Hunter Street, Sydney William Chimmo, Late in Command of H M S Vessel "Torch"	1855 04 23 1855 04 26~ 1855 04 27~ 1855 04 27~ 1855 04 30	At top: Lieut W Chimmo R N" Regarding his letter containing detailed account of proceedings while in search of Party under direction of Mr Strange dated 12 March 1855: as receipt not acknowledged presumes it has been mislaid & Notes in margin 55/03425 M F Lt Chimmo to be thanked & informed of course adopted by government (and reasons therefore) re aborigines brought to Sydney Mr Chimmo's letter ought to have been answered long since - to be done as suggested [difficult to read] Lieut Chimmo	A2.32	001
	55/04147	1855 05 02	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident	1855 04 25 1855 05 03~ 1855 05 10	At top: "Government Resident at Moreton Bay" Letter re Punt to be built for Ferry between North & South Brisbane (ref CS letter 18 inst No 55/03125 enclosing Colonial Treasurer's letter on subject) [No 55/87] Para 2: In accord with authority from Colonial Treasurer, postponed sale of Ferry Lease from 6 th to 13 th of this month to make alterations in Articles & Conditions of Sale etc & to advertise same in local papers Para 3: Owing to great quantity of rain during last 2 months, Punt may not be ready by time specified in Contract viz 30 th April – has written promise from Contractor that Punt will be provided in event new one not ready Para 4: Ferry was let on 13 th to Samuel Gregory & William Blocksidge for £300 per annum, documents forwarded to Colonial Treasurer on 18 th inst & Notes in margin Forward copy of this to Colonial Treasurer with reference to his letter of 30 th March - 55/03125 Colonial Treasurer	A2.32	002- 005
	55/03125	1855 04 02	Hon CS	Revenue Branch, Colonial Treasury Francis L S Merewether "E W H"	1855 03 30	At top: "Colonial Treasurer" Acknowledging CS letter 28 th inst No 244 [Margin: 54/08998] forwarding copy letter to Government Resident Moreton Bay notifying Governor General's approval of his calling for Tenders for building Punt for Ferry between North & South Brisbane: informs Lease of Ferry dues advertised for Sale 6 th prox, with former condition Punt & Boat be provided by Lessee - no intimation given of intention of government to supply Punt [No 139] Para 2: Has written to Government Resident to authorise him to make requisite alteration in Conditions & if necessary to postpone sale	A2.32	006 – 008

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					1855 04 10~ 1855 04 18	& Notes in margin Copy of this to Government Resident requesting he report arrangement made & whether new Punt will be ready by 30 th inst Government Resident See 55/03053 also [see A2.31 - p 733/732] "On 1 st May" [Ref 55/04147] "E O S"		
	54/08998	1854 10 16	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident "C A F"	1854 10 11 1854 10 18~ 1854 10 20 1855 03 21 1855 03 28~	At top: "Government Resident at Moreton Bay" Letter re £700 voted for providing new Punt & Chain for Ferry between North & South Brisbane & request to state if Punt can be built in Brisbane & cost (ref CS letter 21 st December last No 53/05375) [No 54/198] Para 2: Informs difficulty due to scarcity of Mechanics in getting Punt built for sum voted: deferred matter until arrival of more labour in District - now encloses Plan [not filmed here] prepared by competent ship builder who considers cost of building Punt & providing all materials including machinery & chain for conducting it across River will be £700, leaving nothing for construction of slips for landing - present slips may serve for a time & cost may be lessened by calling for Tenders Para 3: If enclosed Plan approved, seeks authority to call for Tenders so Punt completed by 30 th April next - present Lease of Ferry will expire that day, necessary to make alterations in documents re lease for ensuing year & Notes in margin Approved Government Resident Moreton Bay "On 15 th April 55" Copy of letter to Government Resident should be sent to Colonial Treasurer, also to Auditor General Auditor General, Colonial Treasurer [Ref 55/03053]	A2.32	009 - 012
	53/05375 53/05375			"C A F" "C D R" "W E" F L S Merewether	1853 12 02~ 1853 12 03~ 1853 12 21 1854 02 01~ 1854 04 04~ 1854 04 04~ 1854 04 05~ 1853 06 28 1853 08 18	Notes <u>Estimates for 1854</u> For providing new Punt & Chain for Ferry at River Brisbane improving approaches to Ferry & constructing landing places - £700 voted Government Resident to be informed & requested to state whether suitable Punt can be built at Brisbane & price - before this is decided & expense ascertained nothing can be done to approaches or landing places Parties who signed Memorial may be informed & Notes in margin Approved Government Resident Moreton Bay, Mr Russell & others "On 15 th January" - resubmitted "On 31 March" - resubmitted This may be left in hands of Government Resident Yes [Ref 54/08998] Notes Referred for report of Auditor General - to be returned - noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 512-JU*28 Receipts derived from Ferries at Brisbane from 1842 to March 1853 were£1323-18-4 Sums paid from Treasury for repairs to Ferries	A2.32	013 - 014 015

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				<p>"W E"</p> <p>"C A F"</p>	<p>1853 08 25</p> <p>1853 08 19~</p> <p>1853 08 24</p>	<p>North & South Brisbane amount to£ 633-0-0</p> <p>Leaving balance of £690-18-4</p> <p>Have placed £700 on Estimates submitted for approval – blank cover</p> <p>Auditor General – blank cover</p> <p>Estimates</p> <p>Petitioners may be informed of sum placed on additional Estimates</p> <p>Mr Russel & other Petitioners</p> <p><u>Brisbane Ferry</u></p> <p>1842 – NIL; 1843 - £41-5-0; 1844 - £37-10-0; 1845 - £52-10-0;</p> <p>1846 - £100-0-0; 1847 - £228-15-0; 1848 - £53-6-8; 1849 - £131-13-4;</p> <p>1850 - £272-10-01; 1851 - £192-16-8; 1852 - £166-10-0</p> <p><u>To March 1853 - £47-1-8</u></p> <p>[TOTAL] £1323-18-4</p> <p><u>J Petrie</u></p> <p>Amount of instalment being the value of work performed in constructing Landing Places & approaches to Government</p> <p>Ferries at North & South Brisbane, Moreton Bay 1848 – 6 March £200-0-0</p> <p>Final instalment 1848 – 5 May £100-0-0</p> <p>Constructing Drains and making roads leading to Ferries at North & South Brisbane – 1849 – 29 September £ 83-0-0</p> <p>Repairs of approaches to Ferries at Brisbane – 1851 – Vote £250-0-0</p> <p>Advanced to Police Magistrate on 20th January 1853</p>		<p>016</p> <p>017</p>
	55/04167	1855 05 02	Hon CS	<p>Police Office, Brisbane</p> <p>W A Duncan JP for the Bench</p> <p>"M F"</p> <p>"W D"</p>	<p>1855 04 18</p> <p>1855 05 02~</p> <p>1855 05 03</p> <p>1855 05 04</p> <p>1855 05 11</p>	<p>At top: "Bench of Magistrates at Brisbane"</p> <p>Transmitting copy of Revised Table of Rates to be charged for Cattle impounded at Brisbane for approval [Table not filmed here] [No 55/106]</p> <p>Also at top: "Transmitting amended Table of Pound Fees for approval" &</p> <p>Notes in margin</p> <p>M F</p> <p>For Allowance</p> <p>Approved</p> <p>Notified in Gazette of 8 May</p> <p>Government Resident</p>	A2.32	018
	55/04197	1855 05 02	Hon CS	<p>Steam Navigation Board, Brisbane</p> <p>W A Duncan, Chairman of the Board</p> <p>"J C W"</p>	<p>1855 04 26</p> <p>1855 04 26</p> <p>1855 05 03</p> <p>1855 05 10</p>	<p>At top: "Chairman"</p> <p>Letter re appointment of Secretary to Board : previously held by Frederick Garling now removed to Sydney, recommending Charles Henry Manton as his successor in office of Clerk to Sub-Collector of Customs &</p> <p>Notes re above</p> <p>Forwarded</p> <p>Approved</p> <p>Government Resident, Sub-Collector crossed out, Auditor General</p>	A2.32	019
	55/04199	1855 05 02	Hon CS	<p>Brisbane Hospital</p> <p>W A Duncan, Treasurer</p> <p>"J C W"</p> <p>"W E"</p>	<p>1855 04 27</p> <p>1855 04 28</p> <p>1855 05 03</p>	<p>At top: "Treasurer"</p> <p>Forwarding Certified List of Subscriptions & Donations to Institution for present year – requests Warrant be prepared for payment of £200 voted in favour of Hospital last Session, to his credit at Bank of Australasia Sydney &</p> <p>Notes in margin</p> <p>Transmitted</p> <p>Auditor General – blank cover – noted</p>	A2.32	020

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	55/04199			<p>"W D"</p> <p>"J S"</p> <p>J C Wickham – President W A Duncan – Treasurer</p>	<p>1855 05 08</p> <p>1855 05 05</p> <p>1855 05 07~</p> <p>1855 05 16</p> <p>1855 05 08~</p>	<p>54/04306 sent to Auditor General – 19 May [written over notes in margin – difficult to read] Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 283-MY*4 Approved Vote £200 available for this purpose – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Auditor General, Mr Duncan</p> <p>Note re above – Warrant for £200 may be ordered as requested</p> <p><u>List of Subscriptions & Donations received in aid of funds of Brisbane Hospital in 1855 from 1st January till 30th April</u> [Amounts are noted here] p 022 [lh col] J S Ferriter, J Markwell, J Petrie, J Williams, O Mitchell? Robert Jones, H Buckley, F Bigge, Mort & Laidley, J Panton, H Bele [H Bell?], J Wallace, C Coxen, J Hanly, T Fenton, Mrs Palmer, J Richardson & Co, J Scanlan, C Windmell, W Cairncross, M Feeny [as it is - M Feeney?], A Campbell, J S Turner, R Creyke, T Grenier, W Kent, H Buckley, A B Fitz [H B Fitz?], G Raff, W Wilson, ---- Bartley p 022 [rh col] J Sutherland, J Swan, P Mayne, G McAdam, --- Moreton, Thomas Warry, W A Duncan, R Bryan, A Baker, Goan (Chinese), D Hodges, H Gallagher, Tan Yang, Hoo, T Bulger, --- Payne, --- White, P Fitte, Lye (Chinese), --- Mullins, John Moorcroft, T Prior, G Adkins, A Eldridge, W Mason, R Davidson, T Alford, J Markwell, H Richards, G Harris p 023 [lh col] J F Barton [as it is – see also F J Barton], G Harris, R S Warry, R J Coley, --- Tooth, De Pass & Co, D Magrath [as it is – see also D McGrath], J Petrie, G Christie, A Campbell, T C Master, T Franz, C H Roberts, J H Robertson, J Smith, A W Compigne, Robert Jones, --- Greenwood, W Craies, H Watson, C R Haly, --- Webber, A Hodgson, J Watts, M Wallace, D F Roberts, J Thompson, C Coxen, Thorne & Ridler, J J Perry p 023 [rh col] M Goggs, T Clark, W Gray, A McAllister [also spelt McAlister] F A Forbes, J Innes, T Price, S Sneyd, J Balsillie, J Cullen, Augustus Rode, W M Smith, P Cardew, H S Russell, H O Irwin, J Wallace, J Cameron, Colin Buchanan, Thomas Boyland, John Brewster, R J Smith, Maria Smith, Christina Roberts, W Wilkes, Simon Scott, Joshua Bell, John A Bell, James Laidley, J D Maclean [also spelt McLean], G F Isaac p 024 [lh col] Thomas Dowse, T de L Moffat [as it is – see also Thomas de Lacy Moffatt], W Sheehan, J Jones, D Peattie, R Little, W Kent junr, M Byrne, H Bell, J Collins, G Byrnes, K Cannan, J Scanlan, H Herrmann [see also Hermann, Herrman], F Gericke, W Wilkes, --- Gerler, R R McKenzie, G Edmonstone [see also Edmondston], --- Hartenstein, J C Wickham, W T C Richards, T Victory, J Swan, Hong, Du An, J Sheridan, --- Walmisley [as it is – also spelt Walmsley], L Zillman p 024 [rh col] F Bracker, F Bracker collection, Towns & Co, J Magrath [as it is – also spelt McGrath], P O'Neill, J Stanmore, Louis Hope, CF D Parkinson, --- Fleming, R Donohoe, J S Ferriter, J P Bell (donation), A H Macarthur TOTAL: £356-3-3</p>		<p>021</p> <p>022 – 024</p>

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	55/04211	1855 05 02	Hon CS	Brisbane, Moreton Bay Frederick E Roberts, Engineer Surveyor	1855 04 28	At top: "F E Roberts" Transmitting his Pay Abstracts [not filmed here] from 1 st July to 31 st December 1854 & from 1 st January to 31 st March 1855 & Notes in margin Auditor General – blank cover – noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 279-MY*4	A2.32	025
				"W E"	1855 05 03~	Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 279-MY*4		
				"J S"	1855 05 05 1855 05 07~	£10 voted for 1854, £10 for 1855 remaining available - blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office		
				"W E"	1855 05 11	Notes re above [written over other notes – difficult to read] This appears to have been intended for Auditor General – see letter to him of 30 August 1853 – blank cover – noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 313-MY*11		026
				"J S"	1855 05 14 1855 05 15~ 1855 05 18~ 1855 05 22	Abstracts returned for purpose of being placed in Warrants for payment Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Inform Government Resident Government Resident		
	54/10460	1854 12 04	Hon CS~	Government Resident's Office, Gladstone M C O'Connell Government Resident	1854 11 06	At top: "Government Resident Port Curtis" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter No 54/1 of 9 th January 1854 transmitting copy letter from Acting Deputy Surveyor General re necessity of resorting to artificial means to procure fresh water for supply of Surveying Party engaged on Port Curtis Survey: CS letter conveyed to him authority to take steps to secure desired object & to report occasionally for information of His Excellency [No 61/54] Para 2: Understands authority referred to water supply for Gladstone & not merely to supply Survey Party Para 3: No other aspect of formation of Settlement has caused more anxiety than that of delivering means of securing adequate supply of fresh water for probable population of Gladstone – from day he arrived, convinced water supply not adequate to needs of more than 150 people – supply is of precarious & uncertain nature – only 1 water hole in Auckland Creek dependable - on first sight, before any population, it was dry Para 4: Apprehensive sudden influx of people might cause serious inconvenience if not abandonment of the place - temporary causes with origin in present scarcity of labour, time to make preparations Para 5: No local supply of labour to construct necessary works to meet this formidable difficulty in way of new settlement – states what he conceives those works to be & submits means of carrying them out for consideration Para 6: Insufficient natural reservoirs of fresh water – fair grounds for remedying situation by means of dams to be thrown across water courses in immediate vicinity of town Para 7: Re country in neighbourhood of Gladstone: discusses various geological formations & water courses: steep ridges & hills, Round Hill in Admiralty Charts being 500 feet, narrow valleys, short courses from 1-3 miles for streams emptying into sea, non-formation of natural reservoirs, variations of seasons & average rainfall [Margin: Spring and Autumnal rains may be safely looked for] Amount of water escaping from these ranges into sea very considerable [Margin: No doubt] Para 8: Observation of climate in 7 months of being there rainfall very slight - from observation of characteristics of ground, in peculiar seasons reverse	A2.32	027 – 042 [2 x p 031]

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						<p>must be the case [Margin: Correct]</p> <p>Paras 9 & 10: Further observations of country: ridges, sea shore, level land ¼ mile wide [Margin: good position for ... dams], vallies [as it is], swamps, large flats without vegetation, depth of finest & purist clay, no admixture of shells, sand & stone which sea throws up in other portions of harbour, argues sufficient indication of ample rainwater falling, limited area of basin from which supply obtained, character of clay slate rocks, rapid declination of land to the sea shore – non-retention of water by natural means</p> <p>Para 11: Narrow valleys intersecting lines of ridges present mode of forming reservoirs by damming up at their gorges the water courses running through them [Margin: Quite correct] which, if arguments meet with approval, he intends to avail himself of</p> <p>Para 12: Proposes to construct dams on 3 different points as shown in accompanying sketch [not filmed here] – not perfect, understands from CS letter 30th September 1854 (no 54/07488 – see A2.31, p 051) that he has no control over Survey Department there [Margin: See 54/09099 & other papers herewith - 4 Dec] so cannot order such a plan to be prepared – however it shows points fixed upon for construction of dams: one in nearly the centre & the other 2 at distances as convenient as possible to the opposite extremities of proposed township</p> <p>Para 13: No doubt dams when constructed will meet requirements of Gladstone for first few years, to enable him to carry out works - should be supplied with party of 10 men under Civil Engineer as Clerk of Works, who should select & hire men for his Party & in whose name all Agreements should be drawn out [Margin: Certainly advisable]</p> <p>Para 14: Gentleman to have general superintendence not only of these but of all other government works being carried on under his direction & all agreements with Mechanics & Labourers employed here should run in his name – mentions unable to sit as Magistrate on cases of misconduct of labourers or others employed by Government from their having been engaged as his servants – suggests clause in all agreements binding men to obey orders & directions of Government Resident or those he appoints as overseers – besides engaging men, will be requisite to provide supply of carts, wheelbarrows & tools as Party of 10 men would need</p> <p>Para 15: Intends to try sinking 1 or 2 wells, has not much hope in resource – discusses re terrain, to attempt in 1 or 2 places, for this service Clerk of Works to also provide tools</p> <p>[Margin: Water probably will be found at “A” on ... (difficult to read)]</p> <p>Para 16: Explains why has not addressed this important subject earlier: not anticipating increase in population, settlers of interior hampered by difficulty of obtaining labour, purchasers of land either speculators not intending occupancy or traders waiting for settlers business before establishing themselves – hopes before next shearing season, this aspect of affairs will be altered & when, by establishment of Custom House all fiscal impediments to shipping produce direct from hence to Europe are removed, shall see trade of Gladstone initiated</p> <p>Para 17: Opinion is of great importance in having 2 dams completed by this time next year as greatest rainfall during & after present month – no means of submitting plans or specifications of works proposed, anticipates working party of strength applied for will effect their completion</p> <p>Para 18: Unable to provide estimate of expenditure, suggests Clerk of Works if appointed be directed to prepare one, showing wages & cost of maintenance of his Party for 12 months, together with amount of his</p>		

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	54/11065	1854 12 23	Hon CS	Sydney George Barney "C A F"	1854 12 22 1854 12 27~ 1855 01 03~ 1855 01 08~	At top: "Colonel Barney" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 16 th inst instructing him to engage competent Foreman & other persons required to carry out proposed works at Port Curtis: little chance of engaging men during holidays, shall endeavour to carry out instructions with least possible delay & Notes in margin Read - if there be any opportunity Government Resident may be informed Government Resident "In a fortnight" It should be seen that everything is provided for [Ref 55/00293]	A2.32	047
	55/00293	1855 01 09	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney "C A F"	1855 01 09 1855 01 09~ 1855 01 11	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" "Immediate" Referring to CS letter 16 th ult instructing him to engage competent Foreman & other parties to carry on work proposed at Port Curtis: refers to his letter of 22 nd ult stating little chance of engaging men during holidays - having made enquiries, only able partially to engage 2 persons, one is a capable Foreman - parties decline any <u>positive</u> agreement until obtain information re supply of provisions etc & at what cost - under circumstances & need to commence proposed works without delay, suggests referring to Colonial Architect who may possess better means of obtaining workmen & Notes in margin Chief Commissioner's suggestion to refer to Colonial Architect may be acted on - Immediate Colonial Architect [Ref 55/01036]	A2.32	048 - 049
	55/01306	1855 02 01	Hon CS	Colonial Architect's Office, Sydney William Weaver, Colonial Architect "C D R" "W D" "C D R"	1855 01 31 1855 02 07~ 1855 02 07 1855 02 02~ 1855 02 06~ 1855 02 13	At top: "Colonial Architect" Letter re request to engage competent Foreman & workmen for carrying on proposed works for supply of fresh water to Gladstone(ref CS letters 11 th inst No 10 - Margin: 55/00293 & "yesterday's date" No 24) [No 55/16] Para 2: Unable to find suitable Foreman for such work, until procured not advisable to engage ordinary labourers, anticipates they may be easily obtained - in touch with Col Barney, will endeavour to secure a competent person Para 3: Papers enclosed in letter 11th inst returned herewith & Notes in margins Governor General will read with interest Capt O'Connell's report, see by note below Colonial Architect has someone whom he can recommend to superintend work Instructions to overseer to be clear - doesn't mean precise but he should know what is expected of him & how he is to do the work Colonial Architect not to lose sight of matter, the greatest concern of mine Colonial Architect mentioned today now prepared to recommend person - these papers may be sent again to Col Barney with whom he is to communicate so Estimates required may be prepared, with view to carrying out arrangement proposed by Capt O'Connell Colonial Architect [Ref 55/01371]	A2.32	050 - 051

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	55/01235	1855 02 07	Hon CS	Gladstone M C O'Connell Government Resident	1855 01 13	At top: "Government Resident Port Curtis" Letter requesting Clerk of Works or Foreman "to be engaged for this place" be instructed to hire for employment on Government works in or near Gladstone mechanics & others detailed in margin: 1 stonemason & bricklayer; 2 carpenters; 2 bullock drivers; 1 pair sawyers (ref CS letter 11 th December No 54/74) [No 9/55] Para 2: Rates of wages presently paid are: Stonemason - £5 per week; Carpenter - £4 per week; Labourers - £75 per annum & in all cases where married a double ration Para 3: Trusts men can now be procured in Sydney at much lower rates & Notes in margin Other papers relating to this were in bundle with letter from Colonial Architect [<i>very faint</i>] To be referred at once to Colonial Architect Blank cover – noted - to be returned [Ref 55/03603]	A2.32	052 - 053
	55/01371			"C D R" W Elyard for the CS	1855 02 09~ 1855 02 13	Note Colonial Architect having been absent from Sydney, has not sent in report, have seen him on the subject – Government Resident to be informed with reference to former correspondence, that Colonial Architect authorised to engage Overseer & men to proceed to Port Curtis to perform this work & that he will apprise himself of arrangement made with them & furnish particulars of such things as he has provided to accompany them Government Resident Port Curtis [Ref 55/03603]	A2.32	054 – 055
	55/01371	1855 02 12	Hon CS	Colonial Architect's Office, Sydney William Weaver, Colonial Architect	1855 03 23~ 1855 03 23 1855 02 10	At top: "Colonial Architect" Letter re engagement of Foreman & workmen for construction of works to provide supply of water to Gladstone (ref his letter 31 st ult) [No 55/30] Para 2: Now in position to engage Foreman John Powe, formerly Sergeant in Corps of Sappers and Miners & recommended by Mr Trickett of Sydney Mint, under whom he is now employed – can also procure services of Powe's brother, a carpenter & of 6 labourers – rates of wages required are as follows: Foreman – 20/- per day; Carpenter – 16/- per day; Labourers, each – 10/- per day Referred to Colonel Barney who agrees in considering him competent for the work, recommends arrangement be completed Para 3: Enquires to whom he is to refer the men for instructions & through what channel they will receive wages & Notes in margin Colonial Architect 55/03603		056 – 057
				"W D"	1855 02 28 1855 02 19	Query re Plan or Specifications of work, anything to guide as to probable cost or time of completion with means now furnished Undertaking seems doubtful one & certainly a costly one - men in full work for a year on wages herein stated will cost £1980 & with transport & expenses~ £2500 – however as to ... here advanced so far, supposes must carry on work as speedily as possible though in the dark as to nature & extent – query re sending Foreman up if he is competent man with instructions to send down Plan & Estimate		
				"CD R" "C D R"	1855 02 19~ 1855 02 13~	All expenses of Port Curtis hitherto borne on Territorial Revenue Auditor General to report		

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				"W E" "J S"	1855 02 15 1855 02 16 1855 02 19~ 1855 03 18~ 1855 03 15~	Blank cover – noted – to be returned – Urgent Stamp: AUDIT-No 115 / FE15 Expense is not estimated – might be charged in first instance on Territorial Revenue, but Public Works of this nature should eventually be provided for by Votes of Legislative Council – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office & Notes re above On 15 th March – resubmitted Not answered [Ref 55/03603]		
	55/03603		Government Resident, Gladstone, Port Curtis	William Weaver Colonial Architect	1855 03 23	At top: "Colonial Architect" In accordance with instructions from Colonial Secretary, states has engaged for works at Port Curtis men named in List enclosed, also encloses copies of agreements made with them [copy agreements not filmed here] – in accordance with request "in your letter to CS of 13 January" has also engaged 1 stonemason who can also perform bricklayers & similar works & 2 bullock drivers - did not seem necessary to procure 2 carpenters as John & William Powe are of that trade [No 55/145] Believes he will find John Powe to be intelligent & competent, is engaged as <u>Working Foreman</u> – men engaged principally with view to construction of Dams, will be available for any other works - although agreements are made with him they are placed entirely under Government Resident's orders & directions Payments on account of wages have been made to most of the men, amounts specified against their names in accompanying List By Working Foreman has forwarded Plans & Specifications for Dams proposed to be constructed of a description which Col Barney & himself consider best adapted for the purpose – whole will be subject to any modifications which from local circumstances you may consider advisable Tools & Implements necessary for works, List of which is enclosed [not filmed here] are also provided & will be forwarded by " <u>William Miskin</u> " sailing tomorrow – by same vessel workmen with wives & families also sent Passage to Port Curtis of men, their wives & families & their maintenance on board provided & paid for by Government – glad to provide information or assistance, will be obliged to be informed of arrival of men & goods	A2.32	058 – 060
	55/03603			Colonial Architect's Office, Sydney William Weaver Colonial Architect	1855 03 23	At top: Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE~-NEW SOUTH WALES~/ --*10 [part only] <u>List of Workmen engaged by William Weaver Esquire, Colonial Architect, for Works at Port Curtis: sent down by William Miskin</u> [Trades / Names / Rate of Wages /Amount Advanced by Colonial Architect] Working Foreman/ John S Powe / £1 per working day without rations / Nil Carpenter/ William Powe/ 16/- per working day without rations/ £6 Mason & Bricklayer/John Donnolan/ £1 per working day without rations/ £5 Blacksmith/ George Bodimeade/ 14/- per working day without rations / £6 Miners & Quarrymen: Frederick Butcher / 10/- per working day without rations / £4 Henry Friend / 10/- per working day without rations / £6 John Gilbert / 10/- per working day without rations / £5 John Depew / 10/- per working day without rations / £6 John Hitchcock / 10/- per working day without rations / £6 Ebenezer Johnson / 10/- per working day without rations / £6 George White / 10/- per working day without rations / £4		061

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				W Vallack	1855 09 07~	55/04281 - Colonial Architect respecting construction of Dam at Port Curtis sent to Auditor General on 16 May last with other papers – will Mr Lane return these for a short time & [Cover] Immediate – H Lane Esq / Audit Office		
	55/04295	1855 05 07	Hon CS	Gladstone M C O'Connell Government Resident	1855 04 05	At top: "Government Resident Port Curtis" Informing unable to prepare correspondence - intended to send by " <i>William Miskin</i> " but both days while she was detained in Gladstone, occupied in Police Office hearing cases of assaults, together with arrangements for landing large number of people – his explanation for not having written letters to send by this opportunity [No 33/55] & Note in margin – "Put by "	A2.32	070 - 071
	55/04329	1855 05 07	Hon CS	Brisbane J Markwell	1855 05 03 1855 05 07~ 1855 05 08~ 1855 05 14 1855 05 18	At top: "J Markwell" Requesting following Deed be forwarded to Colonial Treasurer's Office: Lot 7 Parish of Enoggera Allotment 16 Extent 24 acres & Notes in margin Mr M? W M? Deed forwarded to Supreme Court for enrolment 25 th ult Inform Mr Markwell	A2.32	072
	55/04379 55/04379	1855 05 09	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell "H H" "M F" "W D"	1855 05 07 1855 05 09~ 1855 05 10~ 1855 05 10 1855 05 11~ 1855 05 21	At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting in order to their proclamation for sale at Police Office Brisbane at such time as His Excellency directs, descriptions of portions of Crown Lands particulars of which are stated in Schedule in which they are enclosed – tracings of land described enclosed herewith (ref CS letters 18 th February 1850 No 50/125 & 10 th September 1853 No 53/606) [Descriptions & tracings not filmed here] [No 55/345] & Notes in margin M F 49/10382 – M8880 – 50/1145 Not aware of any objection to proclamation of these Lands for sale Mr M? W M? Notes re above Proclaimed 18 th May for sale at Brisbane, Moreton Bay on 26 th June 1855 Acting Colonial Treasurer with descriptions & tracings [PRINTED FORM] SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE at the <u>Police Office, Brisbane</u> [Situation of Land / No of Allotment / No of Section / Area / Name of Applicant/ Upset price per acre/ Remarks] Town Lots <u>Town of Brisbane in the Parish of South Brisbane</u> Name of Applicant: The Crown	A2.32	073 074 075 – 077

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						Allotments Nos 3-19/ Section No 7 Allotments Nos 4-16 / Section No 8 Allotments Nos 3-19 / Section No 23		
	55/04389	1855 05 09	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell "H H"	1855 05 07	At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting Abbreviated Schedule of Town & Suburban Allotments for re-proclamation at Police Office Brisbane at such time as His Excellency directs [No 55/349] & Notes in margin M F Not aware of any objection to re-proclamation of these Lands for sale	A2.32	078
	55/04389			"M F" "W D"	1855 05 09~ 1855 05 10 1855 05 10 1855 05 11~	Mr M? W M? Notes re above Re-proclaimed 18 th May for sale Brisbane Moreton Bay on 26 th June 1855 Acting Colonial Treasurer		079
					1855 05 21	[PRINTED FORM] SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE at the <u>Police Office, Brisbane</u> [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] Town Lots Lot 48/ Stanley-Village of Sandgate / Allotment No 11 / Section No 1/ 16 th January 1855/ Lot No 2 Lots 49-52 / Stanley-Village of Sandgate / Allotments Nos 1-4/ Section No 7/ 16 th January 1855 / Lots Nos 3-6 Lot 53/ Stanley-South Brisbane/ Allotment No 20/ Section 15/ 12 th February 1855 / Lot No 41 Suburban Lots Lot 54/ Stanley-South Brisbane Western Suburbs/ Allotment No 52/ 16 th January 1855/ Lot No 16 Lot 55/ Stanley-South Brisbane Western Suburbs/ Allotment No 60/ 16 th January 1855/ Lot No 24		080 - 082
				Merion Moriarty, Port Master		Estimate of the probable expenditure of the Establishment of the Light House at Newcastle for the last quarter of the year 1855 <i>[amounts are noted here]</i> [Salaries] / Authorised for 1855 / Proposed for the last quarter of 1855 Superintendent, Light Keepers (3) Total Salaries & Note: "This may be wanted – W D" Contingencies of the Establishment / Authorised for 1855/ Proposed for the last quarter of 1855/ Increase/ Decrease Oil for the Light, Repairs for machinery & incidental Expenses Total Stores Recapitulation of the probable expenditure for 1855 / Amount Salaries - £107-16-7 Contingencies of Establishment - £225-0-0 Contingencies obtained through other Departments - £50-0-0 <u>Total: £382-16-7</u>	A2.32	083

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				Merion Moriarty, Port Master		<p>Estimate of the probable expenditure of the Establishment of the Light House at Moreton Bay for the last quarter of the year 1855 <i>[amounts are noted here]</i> Salaries / Authorised for 1855 / Proposed for the last quarter of 1855 Superintendent, Light Keepers (3) Total Salaries & Note: "This will hardly be wanted the Light House will not be built before 56 – W D" Contingencies of the Establishment / Authorised for 1855/ Proposed for the last quarter of 1855/ Increase/ Decrease Oil for the Light, Repairs to machinery & incidental Expenses, Expense of communication Total Stores & Note: "See above – W D" Recapitulation of the probable expenditure for 1855 / Amount Salaries - £143-13-6 Contingencies of Establishment - £237-10-0 Contingencies obtained through other Departments - £50-0-0 Total: £431-3-6</p>		084
				Merion Moriarty, Port Master		<p>Estimate of the probable expenditure of the Establishment of the Light House at Newcastle for the year 1856 <i>[amounts are noted here]</i> Salaries / Authorised for 1855 / Proposed for 1856 Superintendent, Light Keepers (3) Total Salaries Contingencies of the Establishment / Authorised for 1855/ Proposed for 1856/ Increase/ Decrease Oil for the Light, Repairs to machinery & incidental Expenses Total Stores Recapitulation of the probable expenditure for 1856 / Amount Salaries - £431-6-4 Contingencies of Establishment - £600-0-0 Contingencies obtained through other Departments - £50-0-0 Total: £1081-6-4 & Note: "Approved – W D"</p>		085
				Merion Moriarty, Port Master		<p>Estimate of the probable expenditure of the Establishment of the Light House at Moreton Bay for the year 1856 <i>[amounts are noted here]</i> Salaries / Authorised for 1855 / Proposed for 1856 Superintendent, Light Keepers (3) Total Salaries Contingencies of the Establishment / Authorised for 1855/ Proposed for 1856/ Increase/ Decrease Oil for the Light, Repairs to machinery & incidental Expenses, Expense of communication Total Stores Recapitulation of the probable expenditure for 1856 / Amount</p>		086

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						Salaries - £573-2-6 Contingencies of Establishment - £650-0-0 Contingencies obtained through other Departments - £50-0-0 Total: £1273-2-6 & Note: "Approved – W D"		
	55/04449			"W E"	1855 05 09	Notes Colonial Storekeeper to state price of Theodolite so expense may be charged to amount allowed for repair of roads in Moreton Bay District - blank cover – noted – to be returned	A2.32	087 – 088
				"J B"	1855 05 10 1855 05 10~ 1855 05 11~	Price £26-10-0 – there is an instrument in Store – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Colonial Storekeeper to state whether theodolite in Store provided for Surveyor General's Department & if it can be spared for Moreton Bay		
				"W D"	1855 05 11~ 1855 05 17	Let it be forwarded Colonial Storekeeper, Auditor General		
	55/04495	1855 05 11	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell	1855 05 09	At top: "Surveyor General" Acknowledging receipt CS letter 20 th April 1855 No 55/342 directing sale of Township Lands at Gladstone to be held in future on the spot [Margin: 55/03126]: transmits Schedule containing 22 allotments for proclamation for sale at Gladstone at such time as His Excellency directs [No 55/353] & Notes in margin	A2.32	089 – 090
				"M F"	1855 05 11~ 1855 05 14~	M F Governor General recently approved of limited number of allotments within township being put up for sale at Gladstone, there would therefore seem to be no objection to proclamation of these lands as proposed		
				"W D"	1855 05 15~ 1855 05 15~	Approved Mr M? W M? & Notes re above		
					1855 06 05	Proclaimed 31 st May for sale at Gladstone on 31 st July 1855 Acting Colonial Treasurer with descriptions & tracings, Government Resident		
	55/04495				1855 05 11~	Note re above 55/03126 – Government Resident Port Curtis – 8 th April - recommending sales of land should be held at Gladstone – sent to Mr F		091
						[PRINTED FORM] <u>SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE at Gladstone</u> [Situation of land / No of Allotment / No of Section / Area / Name of Applicant / Upset price per acre / Remarks] Town Lots <u>Town of Gladstone</u> Allotments 1-22 / Section 9 / The Crown "C M W"		092 – 094/093

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	55/02351	1855 03 13	Hon CS	Traylan R P Marshall, Acting Commandant, Native Police	1855 02 22	At top: "Acting Commandant Native Police" Forwarding letter from Lieut Morrisset [as it is – also spelt Morriset, Morisset, Moriset] applying for 8 weeks leave of absence Para 2: Lieut Morrisset employed on native service for 2 years, has confidence duties would be efficiently performed by Sergeant Dempster – recommends his request & Notes in margin Lieut Morrisset may have leave asked for Approved Commandant [Ref 55/04498]	A2.32	095 – 096
	55/02351		Hon CS	Grafton Edric Morisset, Lieutenant Native Police	1855 03 14~ 1855 03 14~ 1855 03 16 1855 02 06	Letter stating 2 years as Lieutenant of Native Police - has not had leave of absence, needs to attend to urgent private affairs for 8 weeks Para 2: During absence, proposes Sergeant Dempster execute his usual duties & for whose acts he holds himself responsible		097
	55/04498	1855 05 15	Hon CS	Parramatta Edric Morisset, Lieut Native Police	1855 05 13	At top: "E Morriset, Lieut Native Police" [as it is] Letter applying for extension of leave of absence for another fortnight, as original term expired – prior to leaving his District made arrangements for proper superintendence of men under his charge – received assurances all is well there & Notes in margin Very well Commandant, Lieut Morisset	A2.32	098
	55/04623	1855 05 14	Hon CS	Police Office, Drayton T De Lacy Moffatt JP for the Bench	1855 04 26	At top: "T De Lacy Moffatt for the Bench" Letter informing Clerk of Bench has been acquainted with CS instructions – in future they will be carefully attended to (ref CS letter 12 th April [Margin: 3124 – as it is – see also 55/03124] [No 55/4] & Note in margin – "Put by"	A2.32	099
	55/03124	1855 04 03	Hon CS	Police Office, Drayton William A Moncrieffe, Clerk of Petty Sessions, Drayton	1855 03 22 1855 04 03~ 1855 04 10~ 1855 04 12~	At top: "Clerk of Petty Sessions" Letter requesting Notice of Annual Licensing Meeting under "Publicans Act" to be held at Police Office Drayton Tuesday 17 th April 1855 be inserted in Government Gazette [No 55/2] & Notes in margin M F An immediate matter so request complied with - Bench to inform Clerk of Petty Sessions to prepare Notices himself & forward them to Printer for publication – it is not in his province to correspond with Government Bench [Ref 55/04623]	A2.32	100
	55/04646	1855 05 19	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell	1855 05 17 1855 05 19~	At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting in order to their proclamation for sale at Police Office Maryborough, descriptions of portions of Crown Lands situated in "Remote District", particulars for which are stated in Schedule in which they are enclosed (ref CS letter 28 th February 1854 No 54/211) [Descriptions not filmed here] [No 55/378] & Notes in margin M F M11806	A2.32	101

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	55/04646			"M F" "W D"	1855 05 21~ 1855 05 21 1855 05 22~ 1855 06 04	Appears no objection to proclamation of these lands for sale Mr M? W M? Notes re above Proclaimed 31 st May for sale at Maryborough on 31 st July 1855 Acting Colonial Treasurer with descriptions & tracings [PRINTED FORM] At top: "[Remote District]" SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE at the Police Office, Maryborough [Situation of land / No of Allotment / No of Section / Area / Name of Applicant / Upset price per acre / Remarks] Town Lots <u>Town of Maryborough</u> Allotments 1-20 / Section No 67 / Edward Palmer on behalf of the Inhabitants of Maryborough "C M W"		102 103 – 105
	55/04648	1855 05 19	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell "M F" "W D"	1855 05 17 1855 05 19~ 1855 05 21~ 1855 05 21 1855 05 22~ 1855 06 04	At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting Abbreviated Schedule of Town & Suburban lands for re-proclamation for sale at Police Office Maryborough [No 55/379] & Notes in margin M F Appears to be no objection to proclamation [as it is] of these lands for sale Mr M? W M? Re-proclaimed 31 st May for sae at Maryborough on 31 st July 1855 Acting Colonial Treasurer [PRINTED FORM] At top: "[Remote District]" "31 st July" (ABBREVIATED) SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS to be offered for sale at Police Office Maryborough [Lot / Situation: County-Town or place / No of Allot/ No of Section / Quantity / Upset price per acre / When last offered for sale / No of Lot] Town Lots <u>March - Town of Maryborough</u> Lots 21-26/ Allots 10-12, 16-18/ Section 9/ 25 th October 1854/ Lots No 2-7 Lots 27-30 / Allots 13-14, 17-18/ Section 16/ 25 th October 1854/ Lots 9-12 Lot 31/ Allot 3/ Section 20/ 25 th October 1854/ Lot 13 Suburban Lots <u>March – Parish of Maryborough</u> Lot 32 / Allot 2 / Section 146 / 25 th October 1854 / Lot No 17 Lots 33-35 / Allots 1-3 / Section 158 / 25 th October 1854 / Lots 20-22	A2.32	106 107 – 108
	55/04682	1855 05 19	Hon CS	Australian Museum George French Angas, Secretary to the Trustees of the Australian Museum	1855 05 18	At top: "Secretary to the Trustees" Letter replying to CS letter 21 st ult re letter from Mineralogical & Geological Surveyor stating he never received acknowledgment from Trustees of his letters nor of cases of specimens transmitted by him to Australian Museum: instructed by Board to state no letter has been received from Mr Stutchbury since incorporation of Trustees in July 1853 - on examining	A2.32	109 – 110

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						records of previous Committee of Management only letter received from him is dated 28 th February 1851 together with 4 boxes of minerals – receipt acknowledged by Curator at the time, appears this letter did not reach its destination – arrival of these 4 boxes & above mentioned letter was intimated in letter from Honorary Secretary to Colonial Secretary dated 3 May 1852 – discusses 5 other boxes which arrived at Museum from time to time from Government Geologist: at no time accompanied by letters of advice, in some cases Curator informed of their arrival in Sydney by indirect channels after considerable delay & Notes in margin This may be communicated to Mr Stutchbury Yes Mr Stutchbury		
	55/03564		Mr Birch	Samuel Stutchbury	[no date]	[Memo] "Copy" To receive following Instructions: 1) To extend Geological Survey from north side of Boyne River to Calliope coastwise 2) On western side, to examine country as far as limited means allows 3) To take every advantage of examining islands lying to north of Graham's Creek in Curtis Island 4) During his absence, not to risk lives of Party - to solicit assistance by escort from Commanding Officer of Native Police of District 5) To note carefully all that is worthy & colour in map as completely as within your means 6) When in abeyance of means of Geological Survey (primary object of Service) to devote time to collecting other objects of Natural History, true adjuncts of Geology, including all marine organic products as well as fauna & flora of interior when sea coast not within reach 7) Desires he avoid any collision with aboriginal natives or place at risk lives of Party 8) At any expense, not regarding ration allowance, he is not to allow for want of proper necessaries, any of the men to become sick of scurvy, fever ague or other disease mainly dependent upon proper food being supplied 9) To observe a lenient discipline over the Party as shown to you for nearly 3 years for their comfort & benefit 10) Wishing him success, health & happiness	A2.32	111 – 114
			Samuel Stutchbury F G S, Colonial Geologist	Geological and Mineralogical Survey, Camp Auckland Creek, Port Curtis Charles Weldon Birch Assistant, Geological & Mineralogical Survey	1855 03 08	Letter informing since his departure from Port Curtis, has examined country east of the Calliope & eastern bank: similar geological features to those already met between Auckland Creek & Stowe exhibited – jasperized slate River appears studded with low islands covered with mangroves, channel is deep, large vessels might lie alongside the points & high banks that abut upon river – great drawback want of water precludes probability of rendering available such an eligible site for a township unless dams are constructed to retain water Notwithstanding absence of water in <u>immediate</u> neighbourhood, locality possesses following natural advantages over Auckland Point & Barney Point: First: Ships may be alongside shore – at Barney Point landing can only be effected at high tide unless a jetty or pier be constructed ½ mile in length Second: Water is but 2 miles distant, a permanent supply (Auckland Creek)		115 – 120

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	55/03564			"C D R"	1855 04 19 1855 05 20~	<p>independent of waterholes much nearer – Barney Point by road is 5 miles, Auckland Point 3 ½ miles from permanent water of Auckland Creek then only present recourse in dry weather</p> <p>Advantages from a township in locality referred to are these: Comparative proximity of water, the wharfage, the <u>occupation</u> of the lands on Auckland Creek, & in westerly direction towards the Calliope where water holes more numerous than in any other part of neighbourhood of Port Curtis that he has seen</p> <p>Mr Stutchbury's opinion registered of township of Stowe, refrains from making comparison between it & site he alludes to</p> <p>Regarding Dams, such works if constructed at instance of Crown & expense added proportionately to upset price, or otherwise, of such lands as may hereafter be sold, would enhance value of land deteriorated in value & scarcely saleable for want of adequate supply of water</p> <p>Regards Barney Point: cost to be incurred in construction of Dams comparatively trifling as many of the creeks present great facilities for such undertakings - tracing furnished by Assistant Surveyor in charge at Port Curtis so meagre in detail fears it will be of little or no use</p> <p>Aborigines having been reported to him by Government Resident to be gathering together, has hired man to assist him in geological investigations thus leaving 2 men instead of one in charge of Camp [Margin: William Lloyd] – proposes next week to visit Island of Port Curtis & coast to north</p> <p>Notes This was received from Colonial Secretary – is anything to be done on it? Should have accompanied papers & letter of Mr Stutchbury which were submitted to Governor yesterday - it does not appear to be of much value Put with other papers</p>		121 – 122
						PAGES 123-191 15th REPORT ON GEOLOGICAL & MINERALOGICAL STRUCTURE OF THE COLONY OF NEW SOUTH WALES and related papers [printed copy of Report in Votes & Proceedings New South Wales Legislative Council 1855 vol 1 – p 1185-1192 including Map & Diagrams		
	55/01241		Geological and Mineralogical Surveyor	Colonial Secretary's Office, Sydney "M F"	1855 03 00~ 1855 04 02 1855 04 11	<p>[Draft] "For approval"</p> <p>Letter re instructions conveyed to him to forward from time to time to Australian Museum, specimens for purpose of forming general collection of specimens of economic & scientific Geology & duplicates for exchange with Royal Society of Van Diemen's Land: enquiring whether he collects, in addition to above, specimens of various rocks & fossils as he proceeds on undertaking in which he is engaged</p> <p>Para 2: If so, requests they be kept separate as illustrative of a Geological Map of the Colony which Surveyor General has instructions to commence</p> <p>Para 3: Informs him additional specimens should also be collected so His Excellency may be in position when survey completed to furnish duplicate specimens to Scientific Institutions in Australian Colonies</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin & written over letter 55-1241 [also 55/01241] Has Surveyor General been instructed to commence Geological Map of the Colony - would be as well to commence preparations for this but instructions to Surveyor General should at present be limited to <u>preparations</u> for a Map</p> <p>Surveyor General, Mr Stutchbury</p>	A2.32	123 – 125

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	55/01241			"C D R"	1855 04 01~	For approval of His Excellency the Governor General "End of May" [Ref 55/03564]		126
	55/01241	1855 02 07			1855 04 17~ [date obscured]	Note re above Let a letter for approval to Mr Stutchbury be written to elicit answers to Governor's queries Herewith		127
				"W D"	1855 02 10	[Cover sheet] At top: "Government Geologist furnishing his 15 th Report " & [Governor's Minute] & notes in margin These reports should be printed & bound together several copies being reserved for the Government's use – some copies to be sent to Surveyor General & kept in his office as containing the elements for formation of Geological Map of the Colony, a work of the most valuable character which should be commenced as soon as possible Query whether Mr Stutchbury collects specimens of various rocks & fossils as he goes along, if so these should be kept separate as illustration of the Geological Map before mentioned – should be glad to be able to furnish duplicate specimens when Surveyor completed, to Royal Society of Van Diemen's Land & to other scientific institutions in these Colonies M F		
				"M F"	1855 02 12~ 1855 02 26~	Customary to lay these Reports before Legislative Council & when they have been printed to forward a copy to Surveyor General with instructions to note information therein contained on Maps in his office Geological Surveyor instructed to forward from time to time to Australian Museum specimens for purpose of forming a General Collection of Specimens of economic & scientific Geology & duplicates for exchange with Royal Society of Van Diemen's Land		
				"W D" "M F"	1855 02 27~ 1855 03 26~	Intended that any instructions are to be issued in reference to Minute of 10 February Report laid before Executive Council 6 th June 1855 [Ref 55/03564]		
	55/01241		Hon CS	Geological and Mineralogical Survey Camp, Auckland Creek near Gladstone, Port Curtis S Stutchbury	1855 01 00~	At top: "Legislature 55/65" "Cahill" Transmitting 15 th report upon Geological & Mineralogical Structure of the Colony of New South Wales - would have been sent earlier had he an opportunity for its safe transmission – map which should accompany report delayed in consequence of paucity of information afforded in that obtained in Brisbane, & necessity for compiling & filling in such information as has been able to gather from his traverses, & from time occupied in journey from Wide Bay to Port Curtis through country in which nothing was known Expresses his approbation of service rendered by Sergeant Murray Commanding Native Police by his prompt attention to his requests & to Sergeant Humphrey for his vigilance whilst in charge of escort which accompanied his Party to Port Curtis, without whose assistance (together with that of Native Police under his orders) in checking premeditated attack by aborigines has no doubt his party would have been cut-up & Note in margin To be returned when Plans are returned to this Department		128 – 130

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				S Stutchbury		<p>Fifteenth Report [geological & geographical features, keywords, etc]:</p> <p>p 131: Following general northerly course in sequence of 14th Report [see A 2.30 p 164+]: Kilcoy neighbourhood altered sandstone, metamorphic schists, calcose slates, porphyry & whinstone, latter rocks constituting principal features – former detached, limited extent – leaving Kilcoy Creek westerly, porphyry ridges for 2 miles</p> <p>p 132: intrusion of trap ½ mile breadth, porphyry extends to range dividing waters of Kilcoy Creek from Brisbane River – descending range, also porphyry, fine water-holes or lagoons, springs – banks conglomerate of porphyritic pebbles, calc tuff, porphyry – springs have appearance of those observed Darling Downs, banks abrupt, soil containing nodules of travertin – tracing Dividing Range south easterly towards Coongabah (Bigges)</p> <p>p 133: porphyry 5 miles, becoming granitic approaching ranges north west from Mount Brisbane – north west portion of range composed entirely of porphyry, minor features at head Kilcoy Creek & country to east being granite similar to that described in last report (14th) as occurring in neighbourhood of Durundur [as it is – see also Durundur] – leaving springs, west 6 miles porphyry prevailing, many instances containing augite, porphyry very beautiful</p> <p>p 134: assumes various modifications, following will illustrate few of the varieties obtained: Cream coloured felspar in greenish brown base - Cream coloured felspar with green felspar & pellucid quartz in maroon base - Cream coloured felspar & hornblende in brown base - Augite porphyry - south of route, rugged porphyry range extends west from main range between Kilcoy Creek & Brisbane River – following down Lagoon Creek, porphyries give place to sandstone & conglomerate (latter containing pebbles of jasper & trap rock of more recent origin</p> <p>p 135: than conglomerate of coal measures) – extends south east along North bank of River Brisbane – west & south west from Colinton (Balfour) true coal measure sandstone & conglomerate – Balfour's Creek coal measures bearing-dip-angle; coal measures, shales & beds of conglomerate, latter in Angulo-globular masses 12 to 18 inches square – desquamated parts reunited where exposed</p> <p>p 136: appearance like masonry – sandstones of hills contain agates, porphyry with clevelandite & trap, sandstone highly altered – 6 miles south west from Colinton syenite ridge on south east side Balfour's Creek, as well as on opposite side, thin veins of ruby coloured titaniferous micaceous iron, syenite penetrates coal measures – east of range dividing Balfour's Creek from Teromeo Creek [see also Taromeo, Tooromeo – spelt Jeromeo in <i>Votes & Proceedings</i>], coal measures, traversed by dykes of porphyry, dislocations [Margin: Section]</p> <p>p 137: shales afford numerous fossil plants so perfect that specimens of several kinds could be detached separately from mass containing them – coal measures extend northerly along south Bank of Brisbane to 4 miles above junction of Cooyar Creek with that river – tributaries of Balfour's Creek contain granite similar to that of Mount Brisbane, derived from granite ranges at its source – crossing range between Balfour's & Teromeo Creeks, sandstone & shales, latter at elevation of 800 feet contains</p> <p>p 138: similar fossils to those in bed of Creek – granite ranges extend south & west to Teromeo Creek, coal measures near Teromeo (Scott's), granite stands out in large blocks, composed of fine semicrystalline quartz & black mica, therefore binary compound – granite extends north easterly 4 miles, coal measures, continuing to 4 miles above junction of Teromeo</p>		131 - 189

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						<p>Creek with Brisbane River, exception of isolated granite mountain 2 miles west from junction – crossing Teromeo Creek, granite</p> <p>p 139: extends south west between it & Cooyar Creek towards Craig's Range [Margin: Cahill / Butler] – crossed Cooyar Creek, great difficulty, sides & bed of creek composed of large blocks (masses) of granite, extremely hazardous – upper part of Creek crossed by walls of granite, dykes of greenstone, veins of fine grained granite, ½ mile north of creek porphyry (white felspar, hornblende, pistacite in red compact felspar base) – country to south west between Cooyar & Boorambah Creeks [see also Barambah Creek] towards Craig's Range</p> <p>p 140: granite similar to that at Teromeo – westerly, granite to Boorambah Creek, bosses of trap & porphyry – north west, near crossing of Cooyar Creek porphyry traversed by greenstone dykes 5 miles in length 4 in breadth, flanked all sides by granite ranges exhibiting bosses of porphyry – north easterly granite flanked by coal measures as occurring north east from Teromeo – 6 miles north west from crossing of Cooyar Creek came to Yarraman Creek, bed a solid mass of gray granite</p> <p>p 141: extends to ranges dividing waters of Brisbane from those of the Burnett – small creek falling into Boorambah Creek, granite contains large crystals of felspar (orthoclase) in creek wall or dyke of compact gray granite, sporadic pyrites, patches of porphyry, north to creek within 3 miles of Borthwick's Station on Boorambah Creek, granite – earth washed in creeks contained garnets & opaque tourmalines</p> <p>p 142: bed of this creek in places higher than adjacent lands – east from Goode's Burnett Inn, ridges of jasperized slate, flanked on north & south by granite ridges in alluvium, masses of bog iron, west from Goodes to and across Boorambah Creek, ranges of granite extend to north to within 8 miles of deserted Station on west bank Boorambah Creek, formerly held by Corfield, tongue of highly ferruginous sandstone extending northerly – 4 miles north from Goodes, bog iron</p> <p>p 143: semi-jasperized slate, sandstone to crossing of Boorambah Creek near Corfield's deserted station – east sandstone continues 6 miles to granite range between Brisbane & Burnett Rivers, trends southerly between Main Range & the schists – spur dividing Ghinrain Creek from Boorambah Creek is porphyry, western side of which sandstone reposes</p> <p>Crossing Boorambah Creek sandstone (ridges being of conglomerate</p> <p>p 144: with numerous jasper pebbles) within 4 miles of Baramba Station [also spelt Barambah] of Messrs Ferriter & Jones near junction of Ghinrain Creek with Booyembah Creek [also spelt Booyunbah] – <u>sandstone</u> gives place to <u>porphyry</u>, small bosses of granite – leaving Barambah passed Booyembah Creek, traced down Bonera Creek [as it is - Boonara?] as far as Bonera, considerable extent of porphyry – beds of some small tributaries as well as ranges composed of porphyritic conglomerate – at Bonera bog iron & jaspers plentiful</p> <p>p 145: Aspect of country reminded of Darling Downs, large flats, low ranges, water holes in flats similar to those on Downs, banks of black earth, substratum rubble contains tufaceous matter, unios & melaniae similar to those associated with fossil bones on Downs are plentiful – north easterly from Bonera, porphyries in force, intersected at distance of 2 miles by trap ranges of slight elevation</p> <p>p 146: fragments of jasper & chalcedony, chert in breadth 1 mile, at 8 miles conglomerate sandstone with jasper, porphyry & quartz pebbles resting in altered sandstone, range dividing 2 tributaries of Bonera Creek, at 9 miles</p>		

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						<p>range of trap & porphyry, northern slopes present sandstone to Bayubajon (Lawless) [see also Boobyjan] similar to that on southern side of range – latter contains masses of reniform iron ore, higher ranges</p> <p>p 147: porphyry – this part of country of highest pastoral character, well watered – leaving Bayubajon, tracing up tributary of Bonera Creek 3 miles north east – conglomerate sandstone & chert skirting porphyry, trap ridges to east – range at head of tributary limestone with thick beds of sparry iron ore (carbonate of iron) – ranges composed in descending order of conglomerate, sandstone, limestone & carbonate of iron</p> <p>p 148: Intersected by veins of greenstone, extensive porphyry ridges on north west, north easterly to range dividing waters of the Mary from those of the Burnett – ascending Dividing Range conglomerate in gullies & flat land at base, main range & ridges being porphyry with small mounds of Augite porphyry & trap ridges with jasper agates & chert, followed by clay slates 1½ miles in breadth – north east & south west ranges composed of</p> <p>p 149: fine red jasper variegated with white quartz breadth of 5 miles, ranges of porphyry & trap to north west & south east which at north east extremities penetrate coal measure sandstones of Wide Bay District Taking course north east 2 miles, head of Munna rivulet, tributary of Mary River, jasper & semijasperized slates – to Gegoomgan [also spelt Gigoomgan] – black limestone of hard marble character resting on slate with epidote</p> <p>p 150: (no fossils observed) – From Gegoomgan (Anderson's) south east crossing Munna, limestone for several miles south easterly & north westerly to porphyry ridges, limestone followed by bands of schistose rocks & limestone 2 miles, intrusion of granite, to Sandy Creek, country flat, dry bed of lagoon filled in by black vegetable soil, not as in case of great plains where</p> <p>p 151: black soil of trappean origin [Margin: Butler / Hosier?] – From Sandy Creek north east, large rounded masses of jasper, red friable sandstone, limestone exposed to view belts of porphyry penetrating sandstone, bearing north east, to foot of another porphyry range, trap with bright red jasper – north east</p> <p>p 152: sandstone 2½ miles bearing north west traversed by dykes of hornblende porphyry bearing north east, at 4-5 miles similar dykes at 7½ miles numerous bands of porphyry penetrating sandstone, bearing north east – sandstone 3 miles, dyke of whinstone ¼ mile in breadth bearing north west</p> <p>p 153: altered sandstone, irregular masses of granite laid bare where denuded of superimposed sandstone by decomposition – then low whinstone ridges breadth 5 miles, sandstone with porphyry the former dipping to south east, to Six Mile Creek – from Six Mile Creek sandstone continues uninterrupted to Maryborough, that within 1 mile of</p> <p>p 154: township being variegated (red & white) – sandstone & conglomerate near Maryborough repose on coal shales, 3 miles down river from Mr Uhr's Boiling Down Establishment, dip, angle, superstratum variegated indurated clay, sandstone of reddish colour contains fossil shells – Fossil shells from sandstone quarry Maryborough consisting of following</p> <p>p 155: genera, several species of a genus & several duplicates of a species: Astartila cytherea and other species ; Astarte ; Cardinia of Agassiz – Pachyodon of Stutchbury ; Cardinia recta and other species ; Cardium ;</p>		

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						<p>Eurydesma ; Homomya glendonensis and 2 other species ; Maeonia several species ; Modiola ; Nuncula ; Pachydomus ; Pecten several species [pages missing here – details taken from <i>Report in Votes & Proceedings New South Wales Legislative Council 1855 vol 1 – p 1189</i>]</p> <p>nodules of iron ore abundant – Anxious to examine River Mary to its mouth, procured whale boat from Assistant Surveyor Buchanan, traced river 17 miles, as far as Beaver Rocks* [*footnote: A vessel named the “Beaver” went ashore there] – banks of river covered with dense mangrove scrubs, strata rarely exposed – where met with, conglomerate & ferruginous sandstone (true coal measures) - on south bank of Mary, red friable sandstone, superstratum yellow clay; above & below this place, river presents nothing but mud & sand banks, former blue tenacious clay – 1 mile east (down river) from last mentioned sandstone are the Beaver Rocks, greatest obstacle to navigation of Mary River – rocks formed of conglomerate containing jasper & quartz pebbles – impure coal & coal shales on rocks in neighbourhood – Tinana Creek falls into Mary River 4 miles below Maryborough – banks of similar sandstone to that largely developed in Mary District, with exception of 4 bars or falls crossing it in tideway, distance 9 miles – first bar of shingle, remaining 3 of hard whinstone – upper fall, divides tideway from permanent fresh water of creek ½ mile in extent – no doubt that visible outcrop of coal may be discovered</p> <p>p 156: on head of Mary – Regrets unable to examine river more thoroughly, boat used was so leaky, one man’s continued labour kept her afloat, could not obtain another – following route deduced from note book of Assistant Charles W Birch, obliged in consequence of severe illness to put in charge of party with instructions</p> <p>p 157: to proceed to Port Curtis, “myself taking advantage of passage from Wide Bay to Port Curtis in government chartered schooner “Tom Tough” – opportunity to examine islands etc of both bays – to test correctness of his observations on return journey – Leaving Maryborough <u>enroute</u> for Port Curtis proceeded north east 12 miles to creek known as Grahams Creek, loose sandy soil, rock where exposed</p> <p>p 158: variegated (red & white) as in neighbourhood of Maryborough, continues towards coast – From this creek, sandstone 9 miles, bearing, dip, extend east to sea coast & west to ranges dividing Burnett from the Mary – to north west sandstone penetrated by trap & syenite ridges to within 3 miles of Twenty Five Mile Creek or Stony Creek – from this creek to Musket Flat rock is</p> <p>p 159: fine grained granite containing pistazite, extends east towards sandstone on sea coast, & north along foot of dividing range between Burnett & Mary Rivers – Ascending range, slates repose on granite, continue across to foot thereof, flanked by sandstone bearing, dip, sandstone extends southerly & crossing range south west connects with that at head</p> <p>p 160: [Margin: Hosier~ / Newman] of the Mary– west sandstone extends to Agnesvale [also spelt Agnes Vale], Broom’s Station – intrusion of porphyritic granite, losing its porphyritic character, passes into fine grained granite, extends south west & west considerable distance, water courses containing little else than decomposed granite – From Agnesvale north west ¾ mile Stony Creek</p> <p>p 161: sandstone bears north west, extends 4 miles latter half altered by intrusion of granite, & south & west by granite & micaceous schists latter bearing-dip-angle, continuous 5 miles bounded on south & west by granite</p>		

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						<p>ranges from northern boundary of schists to Sandy Creek, distance 5 miles</p> <p>p 162: granite (quartz, felspar & black mica) rock being much decomposed – From Sandy Creek north west granite for 2 miles then north west sandstone & shales for 1 mile to small creek, beyond this creek sandstone gives place to slates bearing north west – then north west schists continue with same bearing & dip</p> <p>p 163: for 4 miles, schists, bearing-dip-angle – north west 3 miles rock is hard siliceous clay slate, then north 5 miles over rugged range, deep ravines, country consists of whinstone gullies containing slates – evident pyrogenous rocks have penetrated schists, numerous dislocations &</p> <p>p 164: alterations of bearing & dip, schists hidden by coarse conglomerate containing boulders of quartz & jasper imbedded in ferruginous sandstone, continues to Burnett River near Wallah (Thompson's [also Thomson]) – bed of river of basaltic whinstone, prisms very perfect & upon this immediately rests sandstone evidently younger than the basalt – ½ mile west from</p> <p>p 165: Wallah, dyke of basaltic whinstone 400 yards in breadth, south east superimposed upon which is broken trap containing crystals of olivine, 2 miles across low ridges north west & south east, bounded on south west by granite hills on summits of which is sandstone conglomerate much weather worn – Westerly trap & granite</p> <p>p 166: flanked by chlorite slates bearing-dip-angle, with little or no quartz – give place to talcose slates bearing-dip, numerous quartz dykes from 6 inches to 3 feet wide – little doubt but that gold in small quantities might have been found; want of water</p> <p>p 167: “deprived us of opportunity of testing it” – schists occur 6 miles south west, & west from Wallah & extend north westerly having sandstone on north east side, intersected by trap dykes – much travertin formed by percolation of water containing excess of calcareous matter – ranges to south west</p> <p>p 168: composed of compact red granite & extend west towards Coonebra & Mt Perry following up Wallah Creek [also Walla Creek] to near source, small water holes under high cliffs of granite, at this the only water washed for gold and gems – unsuccessful in endeavours to find either – whole of granite that came under observation had columnar jointed</p> <p>p 169: structure, planes of joints coinciding with planes of dip of the schists Sandstone of Burnett bears north east (as far as examined) confines itself to comparatively narrow margin on either side of river – informed small portions of coal found loose in bed of river – Leaving Burnett, proceeded to examine Gin Gin or</p> <p>p 170: Fosters Creek [see also Foster's Creek], whole distance sandstone, & sandstone conglomerate, schists from Wallah encircling it & bounding it on west & north west – At Foster's Creek near Gin Gin, sandstone succeeded by talcose schists, 3 miles up the creek bear-dip-angle – in this creek found gold & small rubies, chrysolite & tourmalines, former very</p> <p>p 171: minute, schists surmounted by sandstone conglomerate much weather worn – from Gin Gin schists extend west & north east – Crossing broad bed of Gin Gin Creek, schists bear-dip-angle - & continue 1 mile north west</p> <p>p 172: [At top: Newman – Bloomfield] intrusion of porphyritic granite of limited extent – south from granite, dyke of quartz bearing north west 2 miles, followed by trap ridges, olivine, schists bearing north west, continue to creek at foot of range dividing Callan River from Gin Gin Creek – ascending range chlorite in granular form occurs</p>		

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						<p>p 173: continuing to within 1 mile of the Callan, remainder decomposed slate traversed by quartz rock of dirty yellow colour, beds of ravines & tributaries of this River where exposed of whinstone – Leaving Callan at Monduran (Landsboroughs), general course north west, north bank presents conglomerate composed of quartz & jasper boulders</p> <p>p 174: for 1 mile breadth, clay slates resting on basaltic whinstone, shown in small creek that distance from crossing place of Callan, continues ½ mile, jasperized slates 2¼ miles clay slates ¼ mile bearing-dip-angle, 2½ miles jasperized</p> <p>p 175: slate succeeded by mica slate 1/8 mile in breadth, binary granite (quartz & felspar) 1 mile, then quartz & indurated clay slates for 1 furlong to foot of range which separates waters of Callan from Baffle Creek, range composed of granite with much quartz, descending range clay slates & decomposed granite met with to Twelve and a Half Mile Creek [see also 12½ mile Creek]</p> <p>176: from this place no water for 9 miles therefore could not wash for gold – From Twelve and a Half Mile Creek clay slates for 1 mile those to north much altered, penetrated by numerous bosses of whinstone – in small creek 2 miles north from 12½ Mile Creek slates met with bearing -</p> <p>177: dip-angle, superimposed on these slates modern conglomerate of quartz & slates cemented by felspar derived from decomposed granite to west, followed by granite & slates 1 mile latter bearing-dip, to east & west of these high granite ranges, then for 2 miles schists</p> <p>p 178: bear-dip, superimposed upon schists conglomerate similar to that before alluded to - granite with veins of quartz much felspar, little mica succeeds schists, breadth 1 mile, altered slates 1 mile, siliceous slates 3½ miles, jasperized slates 1½ miles to creek bed of which exhibited whinstone, much tufaceous matter – Crossing this creek jasperized</p> <p>p 179: slates prevail 3 miles, give place to intrusion of trap rock at Rosedale (Littles) last Station between Wide Bay & Port Curtis – From Rosedale trap rock extends south westerly along south bank Baffle Creek, south west of extremity of trap bounded by rugged granite ranges extending considerable distance westward – to north east from Rosedale sandstone skirts both trap & schists</p> <p>p 180: [At top: Bloomfield / Newman] & extends to sea coast – Bed of Baffle Creek decomposed trap, joints or fractures filled by veins of tufaceous matter – following down northern bank granite intersected by dykes of trap rock, interstices at junction being made good by small veins of smaragdite – north to Mt Maria [also Mount Maria], country passed over granite flanked on east by sandstone – Leaving Baffle Creek (course north west for</p> <p>p 181: 6¼ miles) granite ridges, superimposed conglomerate composed of quartz & slate – Then north west, granite continues 5 miles to deep creek – on opposite side clay slates for ¼ mile, bear south west, narrow tongue of sandstone bays up from coast, succeeded</p> <p>p 182: by altered slates ¾ mile in breadth – north west 2¼ miles to crossing of creek, granite porphyritic, gives place to true granite for 8 miles on opposite side (quartz, flesh coloured felspar & black mica) to east, high granite ranges, granite jointed, strikes of joints north west, basal planes dipping-angle</p> <p>p 183: Thence north west 4¼ miles, country passed over porphyry bounded on east & west by granite ranges, granite of these ranges in large angular masses – Upon branch of Baffle Creek semijasperized clay slate</p>		

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						<p>for distance 2 miles direction north west (at this point came upon O'Connell's Road [also O'Connell Road]) succeeded</p> <p>p 184: by tract of sandstone country 13½ miles breadth extending to coast from Shoal Lagoon north westerly – north west for 2 furlongs, sandstone becomes altered – at this place spur from Main Range 3½ miles across, rock syenite traversed by dyke of quartz bearing north west, syenite gives place to quartzose rock 1 mile, altered sandstone succeeding for</p> <p>p 185: ¾ mile, syenite ridges 6½ miles extending westerly to granite ranges previously described – north westerly syenite flanked by semijasperized clay slate penetrated by small bosses of syenite – from thence to southern bank of Boyne River, country is schistose extending south westerly – Description of islands in Wide Bay & the Post Curtis country & Bay, north of</p> <p>p 186: Boyne River will form subject matter of his next report</p> <p>p 187: Note: Mr Bernays</p> <p>p 188: [Cross Sections of Country – may be coloured in original] At top: "55/68"</p> <p>[Top - keywords]: Porphyry – Areno-argil. sh. – Porphyry dyke – Argillaceous shales replete with vegetable remains – Drift – Coal shales – Drift – Porphyry – Ferruginous shales – Drift</p> <p>[Middle - keywords]: Drift – Argillaceous shales – Sharp grit – Drift – Hard grit – Porphyry – Hard sand grit</p> <p>[Bottom - keywords]: Sandstone conglo : highly altered – Drift – Porphyry – Drift – Argillaceous shales replete with fossils</p> <p>p 189: Note: Council paper – 11-a - 1855</p> <p>[MAP – not filmed with report – details taken from map (2 copies) included with Report in <i>Votes & Proceedings New South Wales Legislative Council 1855 vol 1</i> - follows p 1192 & Cross Sections of country] [No scale – shows True North & Magnetic North - some <u>names</u> obscured by very dark background] [Key - may be coloured in original]: Sandstone and conglomerate – Limestone (paleozoic) – Metamorphic rocks including mica chlorite – Hornblende, greenstone and clay slate, compact - Felspar, quartz ... [obscured on both copies of map] [Geological features, locations, place names]: Boyne River, Bustard Bay, Shoal Lagoon, Baffle Creek, Rosedale, 12½ Mile Creek, Reedy Creek, Monduran, Callan River, Gin Gin Creek, Gin-gin [as it is], Sandy Cape, Indian Head, Great Sandy Island [now Fraser Island], Mt Perry, Burnett River, Wallah, Mt Lawless, Seven Hills Creek, Agnesvale, 25 Mile Creek, 12 Mile Creek, Maryborough, Mary River, Wide Bay, Munna River, Gegoongan, Bayubajon, Booranbah Creek [as it is – Barambah Creek?], Bonera Creek, Bonera, Double Island Point</p>		
	55/02330	1855 03 12	Hon CS	Geological and Mineralogical Survey Camp Auckland Creek Gladstone, Port Curtis S Stutchbury	1855 02 08	<p>At top: "Geological Surveyor"</p> <p>Forwarding Map that should have accompanied 15th Report on Geological and Mineralogical Structure of Colony of New South Wales transmitted in his letter of 12th ult [Map not filmed here – see copy in <i>Votes & Proceedings New South Wales Legislative Council 1855 vol 1</i> - follows p 1192] & Notes in margin 55/01241 - 15th Report Not with records Herewith – see 55/01241</p>	A2.32	190 – 191
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	55/04794	1855 05 25	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master "C D R"	1855 05 22 1855 05 26~	At top: "Port Master" Transmitting copy letter forwarded to him by Harbour Master Moreton Bay re Quarters of Pilots at Moreton Island [No 55/106] Para 2: One third deducted for Quarters from temporary increase allowed to Pilots, suggests charge be remitted until Quarters habitable – understands from Colonial Architect it is intended shortly to effect Also at top: "55/348 – 5 June" & Notes in margin Under circumstances deduction at present for lodging not to be exacted	A2.32	197 – 198																					

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	55/04794		W H Geary, Port Master, Brisbane	<p>"W D"</p> <p>"W E"</p> <p>W Weaver, Colonial Architect</p> <p>Moreton Island C Watson, Thomas Robinson</p>	<p>1855 05 26</p> <p>1855 06 02~</p> <p>1855 06 02</p> <p>1855 06 05~</p> <p>1855 06 09</p> <p>1855 06 13~</p> <p>1855 05 09</p>	<p>Very well</p> <p>Port Master, Auditor General</p> <p>Colonial Architect – blank cover – to be returned</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Notes re above</p> <p>Read</p> <p>Returned to Colonial Secretary's Office - "Put by"</p> <p>"Copy"</p> <p>Letter informing "just arrived here" due to N E Gales, unable to get out to search for Buoy A – weather permitting to search tomorrow</p> <p>Apologises for complaint: has examined house for which he has to pay £36 a year – dilapidated state, floor broken, petitions [sic] down, window frames broken, roof in very bad state & leaking – house as it stands not worth £30, shamefully neglected – protests against rent, understands from Capt Moriarty he was to have a house besides £200 per year, much better house to be had in Brisbane for much less money – Mr Watson's house also in very dilapidated state which he wants made known – if have any S W gales this winter both houses most likely will be blown down – requesting their complaint be referred to Head Quarters</p>		<p>199</p> <p>200 - 201</p>
	55/04820	1855 05 25	Hon CS	<p>Revenue Branch, Colonial Treasury Francis L S Merewether "E W H"</p> <p>"M F"</p> <p>W Elyard for the CS</p> <p>"C D R"</p> <p>Surveyor General's Office Sydney – "T L M"</p> <p>"C D R"</p> <p>"M F"</p> <p>"M F"</p>	<p>1855 05 22</p> <p>1855 05 25~</p> <p>1855 05 29~</p> <p>1855 05 29</p> <p>1855 06 19</p> <p>1855 06 20~</p> <p>1855 06 30</p> <p>1855 06 09</p> <p>1855 06 11~</p> <p>1855 06 12~</p> <p>1855 06 12~</p> <p>1855 06 18~</p> <p>1855 05 11</p>	<p>At top: "Colonial Treasurer"</p> <p>Transmitting copy letter "received here" from Police Magistrate Ipswich 21st inst re sales of land there, suggesting demand for land existing in District should be met by bringing forward for sale more lands of description required at an early date [No 207]</p> <p>Also at top: "Entd 1.BC.I – rec'd 29 May 1855"</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin</p> <p>M F</p> <p>Surveyor General requested to report</p> <p>Blank cover – noted – to be returned</p> <p>Appears there have been great many Allotments measured at Ipswich</p> <p>Inform Colonial Treasurer</p> <p>Colonial Treasurer</p> <p>Notes</p> <p>Schedule of Ipswich Town & Suburban Allotments forwarded to Colonial Secretary 18th ult, Licensed Surveyor has since sent in Survey of several small farms & has instructions for measurement of numerous Town & Country lots – will thus be seen, so far as this Department is concerned, preparation for sale of lands in this District is in all stages of progress</p> <p>Entd 55/121 - fol 121 vol 5</p> <p>Returned Colonial Secretary's Office</p> <p>Requests to see Schedule informed by Surveyor General</p> <p>Schedule herewith</p> <p>Anything required</p> <p>At top: "From Police Magistrate Ipswich to Colonial Treasurer enclosing collections 11th May"</p> <p>Letter forwarding deposits received on sale of land held here 11th inst as per margin:</p>	A2.32	<p>202</p> <p>203</p> <p>204 – 205</p>

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						<p>Bank of New South Wales £187-0-0 Bank of Australasia <u>£139-2-0</u> <u>£325-2-0</u></p> <p>Para 2: Lots brought very good prices, total amount of sale being £3078 Para 3: Many parties left sale disappointed – were another sale of allotments to take place soon, it would go well Para 4: Several parties enquiring after small farms, demand occasioned by great influx of farm labourers lately into District</p>		
	55/04831	1855 05 21	Hon CS~	<p>Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident</p> <p>“W E”</p> <p>“J S”</p> <p>“C D R” “W D”</p>	<p>1855 05 08</p> <p>1855 05 21~</p> <p>1855 05 22</p> <p>1855 05 23~</p> <p>1855 05 28</p> <p>1855 05 29~ 1855 05 30~ 1855 05 31 1855 06 11</p>	<p>At top: “Government Resident Moreton Bay” Letter re sum voted for erecting Watch Houses in the District (ref CS letter 12th ult No 54/06099) [No 55/98]: For Watch House South Brisbane - £400-0-0] <i>[as it is]</i> For Watch House North Brisbane - £170-0-0] <i>[as it is]</i></p> <p>Para 2: Thinks there have been 3 separate votes for the latter viz in 1852 - £100, in 1853 - £70 & in 1854 - £100 – in all £270 Para 3: Called for Tenders for these works, accepted one for North Brisbane - £345; that offered for South Brisbane £320 not accepted being in excess of sum voted Para 4: Thinks £270 voted for South Brisbane Watch House – seeks permission to apply £55 remaining from grant for that in North Brisbane towards the other, enabling him to accept Tender – does not think work can be performed for less - building very much wanted & Notes in margin W V 11731 [see also M11731]</p> <p>Referred for report of Auditor General – blank cover - to be returned Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 364-MY*25 Votes for South Brisbane Watch House amount to £270 of which £269-14-0 was advanced to Capt Wickham on 21st March together with £400 for Watch House at North Brisbane – unexpended balance of this latter sum might be applied to meet deficiency on former vote – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary’s Office Thinks this a reasonable proposition Approved Auditor General, Government Resident</p>	A2.32	206 - 207
	54/06099				1854 03 29	<p>Note [pinned to margin of first page of following letter] The following sums have been voted: 1 For erecting Watch House at North Brisbane - £200 – making with former vote £400 in all 2 For erecting Watch House at South Brisbane - <u>£100</u> – making with a former vote £170 in all Government Resident may be informed</p>	A2.32	208
	54/06099	1854 07 12	Hon CS	<p>Brisbane J C Wickham</p>	1854 06 24	<p>At top: “Government Resident Moreton Bay” Letter informing impossible to obtain Tenders for construction of Watch Houses at North & South Brisbane for sums provided by Legislative Council viz: North Brisbane £200 ; South Brisbane £170 - requests following sums be placed on Estimates for completion of works viz: £100 for North Brisbane Watch House & £150 for that at South Brisbane [No 54/119]</p>		209 – 211 [p 210 is dup of p 209]

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	55/04913	1855 05 23	Hon CS	Sydney A C Gregory	1855 05 22	<p>At top: "A C Gregory"</p> <p>Acknowledging receipt CS letter 18th inst forwarding for remarks Dispatch [as it is] from Duke of Newcastle transmitting Captain Sturt's Memoranda re proposed arrangements for North Australian Exploring Expedition [Despatch & Memoranda not filmed here]</p> <p>Re Capt Sturt's remarks on physical condition of Australia, probable nature of country to be explored, selection of starting point of general route to be taken by Expedition: does not altogether agree in theoretical deductions in first 22 paragraphs – agrees with Capt Sturt in considering Victoria River most eligible point at which Expedition can be landed to commence investigations – subsequent route of party arranged on assumption interior drainage to eastward, no provision made to meet opposite trend of country</p> <p>According to proposed arrangements, Expedition to leave Victoria River with intention of continuing southern course towards central point of western portion of Continent, then by easterly & N E course to reach Gulf of Carpentaria, to which point necessary to despatch the small vessel as depot for stores required for future operations - by despatching Depot Vessel to Gulf, Expedition compelled to adopt route thus decided on without any previous knowledge of character of country to be traversed – should nature of country prove unfavourable, no course but to continue it to</p>	A2.32	215 – 220

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						<p>appointed rendezvous on Gulf – therefore suggests expediency of Expedition proceeding in first instance directly into interior - having examined country as far in southerly direction as existing circumstances admit or render expedient, would return to Victoria River where vessel would have remained with stores</p> <p>Having ascertained general physical condition of this portion of Continent, party would refit to examine country either to east or west of primary route of Expedition, & make arrangements for cooperation of vessel</p> <p>Date by which leader of Expedition must be guided in selecting field in which energies of party can be most profitably employed in its secondary operations, can only be obtained during first journey – not advisable to fetter movements of Expedition by making prior arrangements which would necessitate adoption of any particular line of route</p> <p>True if Captain Sturt's theory is established of great central depression of Western interior with easterly or southerly trend & forming continuation of his Desert, probable route he suggests would be most desirable that could be adopted</p> <p>Careful perusal of published accounts of various expeditions into Central Australia has led him to far different conclusion - is inclined to belief both Coopers Creek & the Victoria of Sir T Mitchell will be found to unite & afterwards join Darling River about 100 miles below Fort Bourke – circumstance directly at variance with theory of extension to N W of interior depression in which Desert of Captain Sturt exists, would explain some points otherwise inexplicable</p> <p>Should inland depression & waters of Western interior find outlet to N W (in similar manner to those of S E portion of continent, which form the River Murray) examination of such an important feature would be more desirable than exploration of country towards Gulf of Carpentaria - is already known by researches of Dr Leichhardt that there are no rivers of any importance with regards to communication with interior</p> <p>Paragraphs 23 & 24 refer to relative advantage of Western Australia and Moreton Bay for organization of Expedition:</p> <p>First point for consideration is comparative lengths of sea voyage: desirable it be as short as possible though advantage of smooth water & favourable winds which may be expected at this season on East & North Coasts of Australia would perhaps compensate for increase of distance incurred by starting from Moreton Bay</p> <p>Re facilities which the 2 Colonies offer for organization of party: prefers selecting men in Western Australia having personal knowledge of their qualifications – employment of prisoners not judicious - discusses re knowledge of bush life, tickets of leave, wages, promise of conditional pardon – prices of stock in Western Australia nearly 30% higher than at Moreton Bay, cost of provisions at least 10% above Sydney rates, many items of equipment could not be obtained there</p> <p>In addition to above sources of increased expenditure which would be incurred by organizing Expedition in Western Australia, is difficulty in obtaining transport for party to Victoria River, probable vessel for purpose would have to be chartered in an Eastern Colonies – combined with additional cost of conveying Officers of Expedition to Western Australia from Sydney, would more than equal savings in wages of men employed</p> <p>Submits he conceives Western Australia does not offer sufficient advantages compared with New South Wales to warrant increased expenditure resulting from organizing Expedition in that Colony</p>		

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	55/04920	1855 05 30	Hon CS	<p>Colonial Architect's Office, Sydney William Weaver Colonial Architect</p> <p>"C D R"</p> <p>"W D"</p>	<p>1855 05 26</p> <p>1855 05 31~</p> <p>1855 05 31</p> <p>1855 06 02</p>	<p>At top: "Colonial Architect"</p> <p>Letter re appointment of Mr Yates as Assistant to Surveyor of Roads in Moreton Bay District: referred to him under blank cover on 23rd inst enclosing letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay & communication from residents [Margin: J C Wickham 16th May 1855 – originals returned] [No 55/157]</p> <p>Para 2: Having perused communications, unable to arrive at any opinion other than that conveyed in his letter 1st inst No 109</p> <p>Para 3: If Surveyor makes own drawings of bridges & prepares written instructions for works which do not require drawings, unnecessary to appoint Assistant to perform duties which can be done by competent working man at ½ the pay, Surveyor to give work his superintendence</p> <p>Para 4: Parties signing letter sent by Captain Wickham express need to secure services of "practical Road Maker", precise description of overseer he refers to when recommending employment of Working Overseer or Ganger with party of men employed, whether at a bridge or on formation of road – even if Assistant engaged of Class referred to, working overseer still necessary – discusses</p> <p>Para 5: System he recommends works well in 3 Districts the surveyors of which are placed under his instructions – learns on referring to List of leading thoroughfares of Colony appended to Report of Select Committee on the subject, & for which the surveyors were appointed, that officer at Moreton Bay has considerably less Road to travel over & superintend than surveyors on the 3 other principal lines</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin</p> <p>Quite agree with Colonial Architect that working overseer preferable & far less expensive than such a man as Mr Yates appears to be</p> <p>Let steps be taken to provide working overseer</p> <p>Urgent</p> <p>Government Resident, Colonial Architect</p>	A2.32	221 – 225
	55/04835	1855 05 21	Hon CS~	<p>Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident</p>	<p>1855 05 16</p>	<p>At top: "Government Resident at Moreton Bay"</p> <p>Forwarding letter given to him "this day" & written in consequence of his having informed Mr Yates of Colonial Secretary's reply to his letter of 18th ult requesting permission to appoint him as overseer under Surveyor of Roads [No 55/102]</p> <p>Para 2: After receiving CS letter 10th inst No 55/04096 on the subject, had not intended to urge matter further - appears some explanation necessary to show Mr Vigors not to blame for roads being "almost impassable"</p> <p>Para 3: Tenders repeatedly solicited for construction of bridges over all creeks between Brisbane & Ipswich – no one offered to undertake work,</p>	A2.32	226- 230

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			Hon CS	Brisbane	1855 05 22~ 1855 05 22 1855 05 23 1855 05 15	<p>consequently mechanics have been hired to construct them – owing to difficulty of hiring good workmen to perform work at a distance from the towns, little has been done</p> <p>Para 4: Principal work in progress is cutting road over Little Liverpool Range about 30 miles from Ipswich – when a number of labourers are employed, this & construction of bridges are the only works which can be undertaken at present – discusses re distances, need for supervision in addition to surveying & working out best lines of road, difficulty in procuring sub-overseers or “Gangers” – therefore requested permission to employ Mr Yates</p> <p>Para 5: District very extensive, nothing yet done towards formation of roads – best lines not even known, surveyor has more arduous duty than in those parts of Colony where roads have been made for length of time & had considerable sums expended on them – seeks reconsideration of this subject & authority to appoint competent overseer to act under Surveyor &</p> <p>Notes in margin With reference to decision on 55/04096 re employment of assistant to Surveyor of Roads in Moreton Bay District & to accompanying application on the subject Colonial Architect to report Blank cover – to be returned [Ref 55/04920]</p> <p>Letter from residents of District of Moreton Bay re necessity of additional assistance being afforded to Surveyor of Roads in District so necessary works may be carried on without delay, anxious services of practical road maker be secured – 16 months since appointment of Surveyor of Roads, road from Brisbane to Ipswich almost impassable for vehicles of any description & dangerous to persons on horseback, not a bridge having been built & little of real practical utility effected during that time Road from Ipswich to Drayton in similar state, for some weeks past drays unable to enter or leave Ipswich in that direction – services of T B Yates [see also Thomas B Yates] are presently available - has already been employed on such works in District & given proof of abilities as road maker & bridge builder – beg to recommend him & request he be appointed as Assistant to Surveyor of Roads, assured that works will be carried out to satisfaction of public & more economically & expeditiously than hitherto – impossible for Surveyor to superintend the whole properly & without waste of funds & time, unless such assistance be afforded him</p> <p>Signatories p 232: Henry Buckley JP, T B Stephens, William Kent p 233: George Christie, R Towns & Co, John Souter, William Witham, Alexander Campbell, St George R Gore, Isaac Markwell, John Markwell, George McAdam, Thomas Alford [very faint], John Campbell [very faint], George Watson [very faint], F Isaac, Thomas S Warry, A J Hockings, Martin Feeney, George Thorn, Alexander Raff, Charles F D Parkinson [see also C F D Parkinson], Charles Coxen, John Cooling, James Greenwood, Edward Bond p 234: Robert Little, H Watson, R E G Johnson, William Mason, George Byrne, J & G Harris, Robert Meston, James H Robertson [see also J H Robertson], Nott & Edwards, James Morton, David Robinson, William Lloyd, William J K Piddington, James Sutherland, Robert Aland, William Craies, F Altwicker [see also J F Altwicker], Thomas Gray,</p>		231 – 234

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						R Davidson, Louis Hope, R S Warry? William Pettigrew, J Petrie, J Richardson & Co, Alfred Slaughter JP, J Leith Hay, Arthur A May, John McCabe, N Barclay? [Bartley?]		
	55/04096	1855 05 03	Hon CS	Colonial Architect's Office, Sydney William Weaver Colonial Architect	1855 05 01	At top: "Colonial Architect" Letter re enclosed letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay re engagement of overseer to act under Surveyor of Roads Moreton Bay referred to him on 24 th inst [Margin: J C Wickham 18 April 1855 – original returned] [No 55/109] Para 2: Not acquainted with extent of District under supervision of Road Surveyor at Moreton Bay, unable to form opinion re necessity for engaging as overseer person possessing qualifications spoken of by Capt Wickham – in other Districts sufficient to employ <u>working overseers</u> or Gangers at 8-10/- per day – each receive instructions from Surveyor & works are visited by latter as frequently as possible Para 3: Employment of person at salary £300 per year would be appointing Assistant Surveyor, whether this is necessary at Moreton Bay not in position to judge & Notes in margin Surveyor must be content to procure such competent sub-overseer as he may require Government Resident Moreton Bay [Ref 55/04835]	A2.32	235 – 237
				"W D"	1855 05 04 1855 05 10			
	55/03777	1855 04 23	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident	1855 04 18	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Letter re necessity for appointing trustworthy & competent person as overseer to superintend workmen employed in construction of bridges & in forming roads in this District [No 55/78] Para 2: Great extent of country over which duties of Road Surveyor require him to travel & many plans of bridges to be drawn in addition to surveying & marking out every mile of road, impossible for him to give superintendence to the different parties Para 3: Due to discontinuance of work on Jetty at Cleveland, Superintendent Mr Yates unemployed - has informed he will perform duties of overseer on roads at salary £300 per annum Para 4: Appears to be large sum, thinks not too much for services to be performed Para 5: Mr Yates employed by Drayton Road Trust in superintending formation of new line of road in neighbourhood, received great credit for it, experienced & well acquainted with character of country through which it is proposed to carry road from Ipswich to "Dividing Range" Para 6: Mr Yates paid £250 a year by Cleveland Jetty Committee, with promise for increase to £300 after 6 months service – cannot expect him to accept less, will require 1 or 2 horses to enable him to perform duties - requests authority to pay him, or any competent person, should he decline appointment at rate of £300 per annum to act as overseer under Mr Vigors the Surveyor of Roads Also at top: "55/226 – 25 Ap" & Notes in margin Refer to Colonial Architect Blank cover – noted [Ref 55/04096]	A2.32	238 – 241
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	55/04922	1855 05 30	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 05 28	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" Submitting letter from Messrs Thomas S Mort & Co requesting on behalf of Henry Walker to be allowed to pay first years rent for Runs in Leichhardt District listed in margin: Brookfield – Mundi – Moomba [No 55/191] Para 2: Appears from representations in letter of Messrs Mort & Co [as it is] that irregularity & delays in postal services in Leichhardt District make it difficult to comply with conditions of sender within prescribed time Para 3: Under circumstances recommends Acting Colonial Treasurer be instructed to receive rent for Runs in question when tendered & Notes in margin 55-2038 M F Recommended Approved Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Acting Colonial Treasurer, Acting Auditor General Noted	A2.32	242 – 243
	55/04922		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Sydney Thomas S Mort & Co [see also T S Mort & Co]	1855 05 23	At top: "Thomas S Mort & Co" Letter re request by letter "yesterday" to pay first years rent of Runs of Brookfield, Mundi and Moomba in Leichhardt District on account of Henry Walker – informed on tendering payment at Treasury that time within which they could receive payment had elapsed – unavoidable irregularity & delays in postal communication with Leichhardt District, doubtful if possible to comply with requisition for payment within prescribed time – request on behalf of Mr Walker permission to submit matter to His Excellency for favourable consideration Also at top: "55-2038 – 26 May 1855" "23 rd – G B" [Cover] O H M S / The Chief Commissioner / of Crown Lands		244 - 245 246
	55/04956	1855 05 30	Hon CS	Solicitor General's Office, Sydney W M Manning, Solicitor General	1855 05 30	At top: "Solicitor General" Transmitting Estimates of expenses of District Court for Moreton Bay & Courts of Quarter Sessions & County Courts proposed for remainder of the Colony [No 55/102] Para 2: For reasons referred to in his letter 25 th inst, Court estimated for in respect of Moreton Bay is of class superior to Quarter Sessions & County Courts, though comprehending jurisdiction of such Courts with that of the Supreme Court – salaries set down only mentioned as a suggestion Re the Judge: should be stated by new Constitution Bill provision made for salary £1500 a year – question whether inhabitants of District are not entitled to expect appointment of Judge possessed of weight & talent proportioned to full amount of salary proposed by Legislative Council when passing that Bill Para 3: Re Quarter Sessions & County Courts: impossible for government to extend advantages of local Courts to such remote parts, without increasing expenses of Department beyond what would be thought expedient at present time – but for the financial objection, it would perhaps have been proposed that Courts should be held as far as to <u>southward</u> as <u>Gundagai</u> or even to <u>Wagga Wagga</u> or <u>Albury</u> ; <u>westward</u> at Carcor [as it is – see also Carcoar], <u>Wellington</u> & <u>Mudgee</u> ; and to <u>northward</u> at <u>Tamworth</u> ,	A2.32	247 – 251

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	55/04956			<p>"C D R" "W D" "W E"</p> <p>W M Manning, S G</p>	<p>1855 05 31~ 1855 05 31 1855 05 31 1855 06 01~</p>	<p><u>Armidale & Port Macquarie</u> – from careful calculation of time occupied in travelling & in holding Courts & considering amount of bodily fatigue which any Chairman & Crown Prosecutor can be expected to undergo, places mentioned in accompanying Estimates will be found to be quite as many as can be visited without appointment of a third set of Officers Para 4: Before Attorney General left for Brisbane, considered question of extent of Civil Jurisdiction to be given to County Courts & argued that until Public acquired experience of working of those Courts, was expedient to limit it to £50 except under consent of both parties Para 5: Criminal Jurisdiction of Courts should be that of Courts of Quarter Sessions as already established & understood or hereafter created Para 6: Some matters of detail in reference to the Several Courts will be found in notes to the several Estimates enclosed & Notes in margin This must be brought into Estimates of 1856 if approved Yes Blank cover Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 381-JU*1</p> <p><u>Moreton Bay</u> District Judge £1200 Crown Prosecutor for Criminal Matters & Crown Adviser £400 Clerk of the Court, for all matters Civil & Criminal £400 District Sheriff £100 Bailiff (including temporary increases, as at present, £100) + £195+ Tipstaff, Crier and Court Keeper at Brisbane £125 Clerk at Ipswich £50 Clerk at Drayton £50 Clerk at Maryborough £50</p> <p style="text-align: right;">[TOTAL] £2570</p> <p>Contingencies - Travelling expenses of Judge & Crown Prosecutor, say £400 ① Jurors fees £300 ② [in pencil] Assessors fees £50 Allowances to Witnesses £400 V [in pencil] Stationary [as it is], Fuel & Light, Postage & incidental expenses £120 [in pencil]</p> <p style="text-align: right;">[TOTAL in pencil] £1270 [in pencil] £3840</p> <p>Notes + Bailiff is merely transferred from present Sheriff's Department ① Travelling expenses of District Judge & Crown Prosecutor will probably not exceed amount now paid to Judges & Law Officers for travelling expenses in connection with Supreme Court Circuit, which assumes to be about £400 (see former expenditure) ② Jurors fees might perhaps be put down for the present at say treble amount paid to Jurors at the two Circuits (see former expenditure) V The allowances to Witnesses will probably not much exceed during 1856 amount hitherto paid at the Circuits It may be assumed there will be more prosecutions, on the other hand</p>		252 – 253

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	55/04956					<p>Circuits will reduce allowances in particular cases</p> <p>From above several notes it will be seen not inconsiderable portion of expenses of this Court will be transferred from one Estimate to another</p> <p>Quarter Sessions for the Metropolitan District</p> <p>Chairman £800 Temporary £200 £1000 Crown Prosecutor £600 Temporary £175 £775 Clerk of the Peace £400 Temporary £175 £575 Clerk of the 3rd Class at Sydney £170 Temporary £100 £270 Messenger at 2/6 and 3/3 £45-15-0 Temporary £59-9-6 £105-4-6 £2725-4-6</p> <p>Contingencies Travelling expenses of Chairman (and as Commr) £200 Ditto of Crown Prosecutor & Clerk of the Peace £300 Allowances to Witnesses (say half of present Estimates) £550 Ditto to Jurors £400 Stationary [sic] £10 Postage £3 £13 Fuel and Light £20 Incidental expenses £5 £25 [TOTAL] £4213-4-6</p> <p>Notes Quarter Sessions should be held twelve, instead of eight times a year in Sydney, & four times a year at Parramatta, <u>Windsor</u>, <u>Campbell Town</u>, and <u>Wollongong</u> (These last 3 places have no Quarter Sessions at present, Windsor & Campbell Town [as it is – also spelt Campbelltown] had such Courts <u>formerly</u>. They have Courts of Request every Quarter) Crown Prosecutor to assist when required, in the prosecutions in the Sydney Criminal Sessions of the Supreme Court.</p> <p>County Courts for Metropolitan District</p> <p>Commissioner (See Quarter Sessions) ----- Registrar, Sydney etc etc as in page 5 of printed Estimates of 1856 under Schedule A £2288-7-0</p> <p>Additions Registrar at <u>Camden</u> & <u>Picton</u> £30 each & at <u>Wollongong</u> £50 £110 Bailiffs at Camden & Picton £25 each & 1/9 £80 & and at Wollongong £30 at 1/9 £96-1-6 £176-1-6 [as it is] £2564-8-6</p> <p>Contingencies Travelling expenses of Commissioner (see Quarter Sessions) ----- Fees to assessors £75 Stationary [sic], Postage, Fuel & Light & Incidental £79 expenses as in page 5 as above £154-0-0 £2718-8-6</p> <p>The jurisdiction of Courts at <u>Campbell Town</u>, <u>Penrith</u> & <u>Windsor</u> to extend over the whole of Police Districts of those places, instead of being as at present, confined to County of Cumberland The Courts at <u>Camden</u> & <u>Picton</u> to extend over those Police Districts The Court at Wollongong to be for the whole of <u>Illawarra</u>, <u>Kiama</u> and <u>Shoalhaven</u> in respect of cases above £10 and for Wollongong District, as distinct from the others, in respect of cases not exceeding that amount The Jurisdiction of Court at <u>Sydney</u> to extend in respect of cases above</p>		254
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	55/04956					<p>£10 to any places coastwise to which Sydney is more accessible than any other place at which County Court is held</p> <p><u>Maitland, Bathurst & Goulburn Quarter Sessions and County Court Districts</u> Chairman and Commissioner £800 Crown Prosecutor £600 Clerk of the Peace for the Maitland Circuit and Registrar for Maitland £300 Clerk of the Peace for the Bathurst Circuit and Registrar for Bathurst £300 Clerk of the Peace for the Goulburn Circuit and Registrar at Goulburn £300 3. Registrars at <u>Berrima</u> and <u>Yass</u> at £50 each £100 2. Ditto at <u>Hartley</u> and <u>Molong</u> (or -----) at £50 each £100 1. Ditto at <u>Singleton</u> & Muswell Brook [also spelt Muswellbrook] (or -----) at £50 each £100 Bailiffs at Maitland, Bathurst and Goulburn at £30 each £186-1-6 and 1/9 £90 & £96-1-6 Bailiffs at Singleton, Muswell Brook (or -----) Hartley, Molong (or -----) Berrima & Yass at £25 each and 1/9 £150 and £192-3-0</p> <p style="text-align: right;">£342-3-0 £3128-4-6</p> <p>Contingencies Travelling Expenses of Chairman & Commr £500 Ditto of Crown Prosecutor £500 Ditto of Clerk of the Peace in each of the three Districts £100 each £300 Allowances to witnesses (say half of present Estimates) £550 Ditto to Jurors £400 Ditto to Assessors £50 Stationary [sic] £10 Postage £3 £13 Fuel and Light £20 Incidental expenses £5 £25</p> <p style="text-align: right;">£2338 [TOTAL] £5466-4-6</p> <p>The proposed Courts at Berrima & Yass, Hartley and Molong or -----, & Singleton and Muswell Brook or ----- are all new</p>		256
	55/05011	1855 05 26	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 05 25 1855 05 26~	<p>At top: "Port Master" Enclosing Notice for insertion in Government Gazette inviting Tenders to build Boat, Sails, Oars etc required for Assistant Surveyor Buchannan [as it is – also spelt Buchanan] at Wide Bay – service of this boat required immediately, recommends a short notice (ref CS letter 22nd inst No 146) [Notice not filmed here] [No 55/110] & Notes in margin W V "Urgent" Notice 26 May 1855 55/04305 Not returned by Port Master</p>	A2.32	257 - 258
	55/05047	1855 05 26	Hon CS	Police Office, Drayton T De Lacy Moffatt JP	1855 05 09	<p>At top: "Bench" Transmitting Bond & conditions attached executed by W Handcock & his sureties – names of David Barry & Nicholas Scanlan substituted by Mr Handcock for those of parties signing tender who have since left Drayton</p>	A2.32	259

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					1855 05 26~ 1855 06 15	[No 55/7] & Notes in margin W V Bond to Auditor General		
	55/05057~			"J S"	1855 08 03	Note Appears from accounts received in adjustment of advances made to Capt O'Connell that Robinson paid by him to 23 rd September last Date of Robinson's committal by Magistrates Port Curtis for stealing cannot be traced - date of apprehension on the charge 7 th October Would be about 2 weeks wages (at rate of £6-5-0 per month) due to Robinson at time he was allowed advance in Sydney to enable him to proceed to his District – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office	A2.32	260
				"C D R"	1855 08 06~ 1855 08 07~ 1855 08 13~	Note Query why brought forward now Returned by Auditor General in answer to Colonial Secretary's question by Minute on 55/05057: whether anything was due to Thomas Robinson when he got advance of 2 months pay (£12-10-0) – seems 2 weeks pay only was due – Robinson has absconded Nothing more required [difficult to read]		261
	55/05057	1855 05 26	Hon CS	Gladstone M C O'Connell Government Resident	1855 08 15~ 1855 04 19	At top: "Government Resident Port Curtis" Letter re Governor General's authorisation of advance of 2 months wages to Thomas Robinson & to order passage for him to Port Curtis – states Thomas Robinson has not yet appeared at settlement (ref CS letters 30 th December 1854 & 19 th January 1855 numbered as per margin: 54/10687 – 55/3 & 55/77) [No 41/55] & Notes in margins It was 2 months wages paid to him January last amounting to £12-10-0 to maintain himself in Sydney [very faint] Auditor General for report with respect to payments made to Thomas Robinson & whether anything has been charged for a passage for him to Port Curtis - blank cover – to be returned Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 368-MY*28 £12-10-0 (equal to 2 months pay) paid to Thomas Robinson 12 January last for his support until provided with return passage to Port Curtis – does not appear any charge for return passage has been made – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Do not see that anything more can be done – was anything due to Robinson when he got advance? If he has absconded in debt to Government a description should be sent to Police with view to his arrest Auditor General - blank cover – to be returned Noted Mr Jones Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 404-JU*7		262 - 263
				"J L"				
				"W E"	1855 05 26			
				"J S"	1855 05 28~ 1855 05 28			
				"C D R"	1855 05 29~ 1855 05 31~			
				"W E"	1855 06 06 1855 06 07~			
	54/10687	1854 11 11 [as it is]	Hon CS	120 King Street Archibald Little, Attorney for Thomas Robinson	1854 12 11 [as it is]	At top: "Archibald Little" Letter re Thomas Robinson: entered into agreement with "M C O'Connell" of Port Curtis dated 13 February 1854 to serve as labourer at Port Curtis for	A2.32	264

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						12 months Para 2: Robinson brought to Sydney on "Tom Tough" government vessel as prisoner, committed for trial on charge of felony – tried last Friday at Darlinghurst, acquitted & discharged – ready & willing to return to service & seeks information as to how he is to proceed to Port Curtis & how expenses of living & transit are to be defrayed – has no money of his own & Notes in margin Any papers re this man Apparently not Has any intimation of trial been made to Governor – what was nature of offence? Not aware of any funds at disposal of government for purpose asked for in letter Probably case referred to by Capt O'Connell in his letter re Mr Milrea [as it is - also spelt Mylrea] – not otherwise known here		
				"W E"	1854 12 12~ 1854 12 13~ 1854 12 13~ [no date]	Notes re above Referred to Auditor General re funds – see margin – blank cover – to be returned – noted Stamp: AUDIT-No 920-DE.15		265 – 266
				"J S"	1854 12 16 1854 12 18~ 1854 12 18~	Expense of maintenance & travelling expenses of this man since period of acquittal would be chargeable on Territorial Revenue, from which fund all disbursements on account of Port Curtis are at present defrayed – B C Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Does not appear how this expense should fall on Government		
				"C A F"	1854 12 19~	Notes re above [some over written – difficult to decipher] Solicitor General to state whether he is of opinion that this expense should fall on Government		267
				W Elyard for the CS	1854 12 21 1854 12 00~	Referred for opinion of Solicitor General – B C – to be returned – noted Mr Little		
				W M Manning	1854 12 22	Government under no obligation to send this man to Port Curtis – on other hand cannot expect him to find his way back at his own expense – query whether worthwhile to pay expense in order to secure his services under his unexpired Agreement – if it is, Territorial Revenue chargeable with cost in same manner as if he were newly hired & sent up for service of government – upon his trial stated by Mr Milrea [as it is] that Resident would be glad of his services again, & that his rate of wages less than that if another man hired in his stead Returned Colonial Secretary's Office		
				"C D R"	1854 12 23~ 1854 12 12~ [as it is]	Advance may be made to Robinson at rate not exceeding 2 months wages for his support until vessel goes to Port Curtis when passage will be paid		
				"C A F"	1854 12 27~ 1854 12 30 1855 01 12 1855 01 19	He may be sent back to Port Curtis – expense of his passage may be defrayed from Territorial Revenue Port Master, Mr Little, Capt O'Connell [Ref 55/05057] Auditor General Captain O'Connell		
	54/10687			M C O'Connell Government Resident Witness: Samuel Curry, D C	1854 02 13~	"Copy" Memorandum of Agreement made this day between M C O'Connell on behalf of Her Majesty's Government of Port Curtis New South Wales of the one part, and Thomas Robinson of Sydney of the other part –		267 again - 268 [Pages out of order - Mem begins

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						<p>Thomas Robinson engages to proceed to District of Port Curtis & to serve Government Resident in capacity of labourer on work now being carried on for Government of New South Wales or at such other works as may be required for term of this Agreement</p> <p>Thomas Robinson further agrees to obey all lawful & reasonable commands of Government Resident & further to remain in service of the Government Resident for 12 months from this date of Agreement</p> <p>In consideration of which service Government Resident on behalf of Her Majesty's Government agrees to pay Thomas Robinson wages at rate of £75 per annum & to furnish him with following rations of 20lbs meat, 20lbs flour, ½ lb Tea & 8lbs sugar weekly [as it is]</p> <p>In Witness whereof parties affix their signatures to this Agreement dated at Sydney this 13th day of February 1854, Thomas Robinson's pay to commence from date of his embarkation</p>		on p 268]
	55/05071				1855 06 18	Note	A2.32	269 – 270
	55/05071	1855 05 26	Hon CS	Canning Downs, Warwick G Davidson	1855 05 10	<p>Re Minute on 4th page of 55/05071 [p 274]: arrangement approved & ordered with respect to roads at Moreton Bay was that Road Surveyor to act for that District under direction of Government Resident, in same way as Surveyors in this part of Colony do under Colonial Architect</p> <p>At top: "G Davidson" Letter enquiring whether P D Vigors Surveyor of Roads in Northern District Moreton Bay is authorised to superintend formation of road between Warwick & Ipswich – he says he is only appointed to Drayton & Ipswich Line - their present road in deplorable condition, scrub wholly unpassable for drays, most inhabitants of Warwick are without flour – considerable portion of this years clip is detained & great difficulty experienced in conveying up the Country the requisite supplies – drays left Warwick some time since to proceed to Ipswich via Drayton 40 miles round – surveyor who knew his work, a good road party & money to make good line would make Warwick one of the most flourishing towns of the Colony – road from Brisbane to Sydney overland shorter via Warwick than Drayton, direct post lately established by government from Brisbane to Warwick enroute to Sydney – if new line surveyed, confident distance between the 2 towns could be diminished by nearly 10 miles</p> <p>Also at top: "55/340-1 June" &</p> <p>Notes in margin Certain lines were mentioned in original appointment of Surveyor of Roads but under recent arrangements, Surveyor under direction of Government Resident at Brisbane should perhaps superintend any work not too distant for him to give his attention to, or on that account requiring local management without reference to particular line of road or place</p>		271 - 273
				"C D R"	1855 05 30~			
				"C D R" "W E" William Weaver Colonial Architect	1855 05 30~ 1855 05 31 1855 06 09	<p>Notes re above To be referred to Colonial Architect or Surveyor General Blank cover – noted – to be returned Piece of road referred to does not appear to have been included in general arrangements for Repairs of Roads in Moreton Bay District - as this District is not included in recent arrangement which placed the other three Road Surveyors under my instruction & as I have no personal knowledge of</p>		274

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				"W D"	1855 06 13~ 1855 06 28	locality, cannot offer opinion on subject - Warwick not so far distant from Brisbane & Ipswich - Surveyor in charge of repairs of roads might look occasionally to repairs required on piece of road here referred to Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Mr Vigors to make himself generally useful but reference to be made to Resident under whose instructions he is now placed Mr Davidson, Colonial Architect, Auditor General [crossed out] Government Resident (Moreton Bay), Mr Davidson		
	55/05085	1855 05 29	Hon CS	Solicitor General's Office, Sydney W M Manning, Solicitor General	1855 05 25 1855 05 29~ 1855 05 29~ 1855 05 29~ 1855 05 30~ 1855 05 31~ 1855 06 15~ 1855 06 15~ 1856 10 11 [as it is]	At top: "Solicitor General" Letter enclosing Draft Bill prepared by Chief Justice July 1852 for approval - refers to personal interview with Governor General & Colonial Secretary 23 rd inst: Governor General expressed approval & concurrence to effect that in new judicial arrangements proposed, desirable to establish Court with plenary powers at Moreton Bay, in preference to Court of second rank having limited civil & criminal jurisdiction [No 55/98] Para 2: Bill appears to carry out object above stated, checks by means of appeals to the 3 Judges at Sydney Para 3: Concurs in scope & tenor of Bill, does not take upon himself to examine critically details of Draft - after Bill printed & in progress through Legislative Council, will communicate from time to time with Chief Justice upon such details Para 4: Not desirable to give to District Judge the name of "Recorder" - name not usually given to Judges having civil & criminal jurisdiction of a plenary character & over extended Districts - neither is title given in Schedule to new Constitution Bill, in which future Judge at Moreton Bay is spoken of as a Judge of Supreme Court - would appear to impart an unnecessary distinction from other Judges in point of functions as well as rank - if Governor General of this opinion, expedient to alter Bill before sending to Legislative Council & describe this officer as "Judge for the District of Moreton Bay" in Estimates Also at top: "Transmitting Draft Bill prepared by His Hon the Chief Justice in July 1852 to provide for administration of justice at Moreton Bay" & Notes in margin [very faint in parts] M F Noted See also papers with 52/10432 Draft approved Sent to Printer Message M F Bill discharged from Paper 56-4 [crossed out] 55-4954 [see also 55/04954]	A2.32	275 - 278
	55/04954	1855 05 30	Hon CS	Solicitor General's Office, Sydney W M Manning, Solicitor General	1855 05 30	At top: "Solicitor General" Forwarding papers received from Their Honours the Judges to send to Attorney General & himself for assistance of government, & paper from Mr Cheeke giving information re his engagement in Courts of Requests & of Quarter Sessions during each of last 4 years (ref his letter of 25 th [Margin: 98] on subject of District Court at Moreton Bay & that of today's date on subject of that Court & Courts of Quarter Sessions and County Courts for other parts of Colony) [No 55/101] &	A2.32	279 - 280

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				"M F"	1855 06 16~	Notes re above Papers of Judges on subject of Moreton Bay and other District Courts To be sent to Printer with instructions to send Proofs to Judges for Revision This may I conclude be done Urgent		283 – 284
				"C D R" "M F"	1855 06 18~ 1855 07 02~	Yes Printed copy herewith [PRINTED] <u>19 VICTORIAE 1855</u> A BILL to provide for the better Administration of Justice in the District of <u>Moreton Bay</u> Preamble District of Moreton Bay, distance from Sydney, Court within District having unlimited jurisdiction, cases both Civil & Criminal, delays & inconveniences of Circuit Courts resorting to Sydney for initiation of Suits & Proceedings I. District Court for Moreton Bay established From 1 st day January next, Circuit Court appointed to be held at Brisbane to be abolished – after that day, Court of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction to be called " <i>District Court of Moreton Bay</i> " – Judge to be called the " <i>Recorder of Brisbane</i> " II. Appointment of Recorder Recorder to be a Barrister, not less than 5 years standing appointed by Her Majesty – in meantime & until appointment takes effect, to be appointed by Governor III. Ministerial Officers One Ministerial Officer to be called "Registrar of the Court" appointed by Governor; One Crier or Tipstaff (to perform both these duties) and one Clerk to Registrar appointed by Recorder IV. Salaries Recorder paid out of Colonial Revenue – yearly salary pounds in lieu of fees or other remuneration (except only for travelling expenses) Yearly payments to Registrar of the Court & the Clerk and Tipstaff & other officers mentioned – salaries appointed by Governor & voted annually by Legislative Council V. Jurisdiction District Court of Moreton Bay to be Court of Record, to have Jurisdiction throughout District, in all cases Civil & Criminal, & in Insolvency, as amply as Supreme Court of New South Wales now has such Jurisdiction therein: re <i>Ecclesiastical</i> Jurisdiction – effects of deceased persons – <i>Curator</i> – Supreme Court – Recorder VI. District defined District of Moreton Bay all that tract of Country or portion of New South Wales described in Schedule VII. Quarter Sessions Jurisdiction District Court of Moreton Bay - Jurisdiction of & incident to Courts of General & Quarter Sessions of the Peace – Appeals – Records of Summary Convictions, Recorder <i>ex officio</i> to be Chairman of such Court – assisted by Justices of the Peace VIII. Sittings Court created to hold in Brisbane at least one Civil Term & one Session for Causes & one Criminal Session in every 3 months – re sittings in Ipswich & Drayton as Recorder shall appoint		285 – 292

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						<p>IX. Fifty pound Cases District Court to try all Civil Actions – sum or matter in question not exceeding £50, without a Jury unless required by parties; Forms of Process & Pleading, Court of Requests Sydney – re Charges</p> <p>X. Certain defences & claims Equity – Cestui que Trust – Legatees – Statute of Distributions</p> <p>XI. Jury Act Laws relating to Juries, Prosecutions, Actions and Proceedings in District Court of Moreton Bay – Recorder of Brisbane – District Sheriff of Moreton Bay – powers and duties – Supreme Court and its Judges – Sheriff of New South Wales</p> <p>XII. Special cases and Appeals District Court of Moreton Bay – lawful for Recorder to state and submit a “Special Case” for opinion of Sydney Judges – recorded as Decision and Judgment of the District Court – Appeal by Memorandum and Special Case – like manner as formerly on Appeal from Resident Judge of Port Phillip</p> <p>XIII. Public Prosecutor On or after 1st January next, Her Majesty & in meantime the Governor to appoint Crown Prosecutor for Moreton Bay – Attorney General for New South Wales</p> <p>XIV. District Sheriff “District Sheriff” of Moreton Bay to be appointed – Sheriff of New South Wales – Supreme Court</p> <p>XV. Sheriff may act as a Magistrate District Sheriff of Moreton Bay may also lawfully be and act as Justice of the Peace in that District or as Police Magistrate</p> <p>XVI. Commissioners for Affidavits, etc Commissioner of Supreme Court for taking Affidavits or Examinations – any place within District of Moreton Bay – Commissioner appointed at any place out of that District to have all the powers of Commissioner of District Court of Moreton Bay</p> <p>XVII. Exclusive Jurisdiction Appeals, Special Cases - District Court of Moreton Bay to have exclusive jurisdiction over persons & property within that District – Judgment or Decree of Supreme Court – issuing Attachment, or Writ of Execution, or Subpoena – Supreme Court</p> <p>XVIII. Distant Witnesses Civil case, no witness compelled to go above 200 miles from his residence – Judge of Supreme Court or Recorder of Moreton Bay – to be allowed to be examined before a Commissioner</p> <p>XIX. Power of Making Rules Regulation of Practice & Proceedings of Court and its Officers, Admission of Practitioners & Fees to be paid to them, Recorder of Moreton Bay to make General Rules – copy of every Rule to be transmitted within 60 days to the Governor, to be laid before Legislative Council – Rules may be appealed within 30 days next after its promulgation to Judges, Supreme Court at Sydney – power to alter or revoke</p> <p>XX. Jury List for 1856 Jury List for “Jurors District” Brisbane – transmit to Government Resident Brisbane instead of Sheriff of New South Wales – to be delivered to District Sheriff for Moreton Bay during first week of January next by whom Jurors required to be empanelled in District Court shall be summoned & returned throughout year – District Sheriff – “Juror’s Book”</p>		

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						<p>XXI. Officer for Intestacy and Insolvency cases Governor to appoint fit person at Brisbane to be <i>Official Assignee</i> of & for Insolvent Estates sequestrated by District Court & to be <i>Curator</i> of Intestate Estates – Curator of Intestate Estates at Sydney</p> <p>XXII. Duties and remuneration of Curator Person appointed as <i>Curator</i> in respect of Estates & Property belonging to persons so dying, which he shall collect - will have all powers of Curator of Intestate Estates at Sydney – entitled to commission by law, payable to an Official Assignee – Clerks of Bench in District of Moreton Bay to be his Agents for collection of all such Estates & Property, in like manner as they now are by law Agents of Curator of Sydney</p> <p>XXIII. Responsibilities of Curator and Official Assignee Official Assignee and Curator deemed Officer of District Court – subject to Rules & Orders of Court – before entering on duties, to give security by Bond or Bonds to her Majesty for due performance – to account for & pay into Court or to parties entitled thereto, all property & moneys coming to his hands in either capacity as Governor shall direct</p> <p>XXIV. Chief Commissioner in Insolvency Recorder shall, in respect of all Estates sequestered by Court as Insolvent, and all persons whose Estates have been sequestered, have all powers and may discharge all duties incident to office of Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates at Sydney – Certificate of any Insolvent – Recorder to direct all or any of Meetings of Creditors, all Proof of Debts thereat to take place before Registrar or (in his absence) before Official Assignee</p> <p>XXV. Sittings hereafter at additional places Lawful for Governor by Proclamation to appoint other places than Ipswich & Drayton within District of Moreton Bay at which sittings of Court shall be held, twice or more often each year under 7th Section of Act (and also for other business Civil or Criminal or both) – Recorder to hold sittings of Court accordingly at such times as he shall by General Rule or Rules appoint</p>		
	55/05088		A C Gregory	Forbes Street, Willoomooloo [as it is – see also Woolloomooloo] J S Wilson	1855 05 29	Letter re points in dispute amongst geologists relative to identity of certain formations in Australia with those of Europe & other parts of the world: in fulfilment of his duty as Geologist to North Australian Exploring Expedition, should examine certain localities in Colony as may afford him a correct idea of its geological characteristics – discusses in relation to connecting with portions of Australia to be visited as part of Expedition & order in which Australian rocks should be placed – also mentions concurrent opinion of Sir Roderick Murchison & Dr Clark – seeks assistance to enable him to occupy the few weeks required to make necessary preparations for departure from Sydney – requires to be supplied with such geological reports & sections as may have been supplied by Dr Clark & Mr Stutchbury & printed by order of Government	A2.32	294 [no p 293]
	55/05088	1855 06 04	Hon CS	Sydney A C Gregory	1855 06 01	At top: "A C Gregory" Transmitting letter from Mr Wilson [Margin: 29 May 1855] Geologist attached to North Australian Expedition, suggesting expediency of his employing period which will elapse before Expedition leaves New South Wales acquainting himself with geological features of such portions of Gold & other Mineral Districts of New South Wales as are attainable during short period available – conceives that practical knowledge of characteristic rocks of NSW will assist geologist in investigating those of Northern Australia, & lend greatly to development of Mineral resources of country the		295 – 296

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						Expedition may traverse – recommends Mr Wilson’s proposal for approval – several official papers relative to geology of New South Wales have been printed by Government, desirous of obtaining copies for Mr Wilson & Notes in margin N A E Approved – Mr Wilson to state what assistance he will require & reports etc to be furnished Mr A see letter from Mr W A C Gregory enclosing papers Mem to Printer		
	55/05089					Notes Perhaps Governor General would like to see List enclosed in this? Is Mr Gregory going to take all the Instruments with him Mr Gregory was asked to call & has forwarded enclosed List of Instruments not required or not suited for the Expedition Instruments not required may as well be left here, they can be placed in charge of the Survey Department Surveyor General, Mr Gregory	A2.32	297 – 298
	55/05089	1855 05 29	Hon CS	Sydney A C Gregory	1855 06 19~ 1855 06 19 1855 06 23~ 1855 06 23 1855 06 26~ 1855 05 25	At top: “A C Gregory” Letter re stores for North Australian Expedition brought to Australia in charge of Mr Baines – as packages directed to “Officer Administering the Government N S Wales”, requests authority to receive same on account of Expedition – no List of contents accompanying packages, presumes invoice transmitted to Colonial Government, requests copy of same & Notes in margin N A E / 27 M F Can afford no information on this Is there not a list in Despatch with the Draft Instructions See papers enclosed but account alluded to does not appear to be with them [difficult to read]		299
	55/05089					Notes re above Does not appear that any Invoice of these things, recently arrived, has been received here, but Mr Gregory has furnished enclosed list of them & has added to it his Certificate that he has received stores, instruments etc therein mentioned Inform Mr Gregory that no Invoice has been received of the articles		300
	55/05089			A C Gregory	1855 05 29~ 1855 05 29~ 1855 05 29~ 1855 05 31~ 1855 06 18 1855 06 18~ 1855 06 23~	At top: “Rec’d 23” <u>Memo of Instruments</u> sent from England for the use of the North Australian Expedition but which are not required or unserviceable <u>1 Sextant</u> : Inconveniently large for land carriage <u>1 Mountain Thermometer</u> : Construction too delicate to bear land carriage & superseded by use of Aneroid Barometers <u>1 Clinometer broken</u> : An instrument of very little practical value & not required for Expedition <u>1 Artificial Horizon</u> : Inconvenient for such land carriage as will be available on Expedition, a second Horizon is retained of similar construction but only		301

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	55/05089					<p>to replace the one which is most efficient in case of injury 1 Thermometer – broken & unserviceable Should any of above instruments be considered of service to Government will transfer them to such Department as Governor General may direct – otherwise proposes to take them in vessel which accompanies Expedition though probability of their being required is very remote</p> <p>Memo of Contents of Packages received from England per Mr Baines for <u>the service of the North Australian Expedition, 25th May 1855</u> Package / No / Description of Articles [Numbers or Quantities are noted here] Case 1: Colts Revolvers, Dean and Adams, Duck Gun, Double Gun, Minie Rifles, Duck Gun Caps, Percussion Caps, Rifle Powder Flasks, Duck Gun Powder Flask, Cartridges, Colt's and Adam's Ammunition, Fishing Lines & Hooks, Wax Matches, Tomahawks, Holsters, Clasp Knives, Melting Ladles, Duck Gun Shot Flask, Cleaning Rod for Duck Gun, Sundry Moulds, Nipple Wrenches etc for Guns & Rifles Case 2: Pack Saddles, Sets Shaft Harness (Light), Sundry Tether Ropes Case 3: Pack Saddles, Head Stalls, Whips, Roll of Harness Leather, Hemp (Saddler's), Small Coil Rope, Saddle Cloths, Package Brass Crown Mountings Case 4: Saddles, Holsters, Bridles, Saddle Cloths Case 5: Raper's Navigation, Sextants 8 inch, Artificial Horizons, Chains (Gunter's), Sets Arrows, Box Sextants, Small Compasses, Prismatic Compasses, Magnets, Protractor, Dividers, Mountain Thermometer, Thermometers, Thermometer (Broken), Clinometer (Broken), Signal Lamp, Parallel Ruler, Small Case Drawing Instruments, Ivory Scales, Ivory Offsets, Nautical Almanacks [as it is], Mountain Barometer, Stokes Journal 2 vols North Australia, Australian Directory, Telescope, Australian Coast Charts Case 6: Rockets & Blue Lights Case 7: Drawing Materials Case 8: Drawing Materials Case 9: Bags Shot No 1-4-6-9 Bundle Rocket sticks? Separate: Chronometers "Certify that I have received above mentioned Stores, Instruments, Arms & Stationary [as it is] for service of North Australian Expedition – A C Gregory – Commanding Expedition"</p>		302 – 304
	55/05090	1855 06 04	Hon CS	Sydney A C Gregory	1855 05 31	<p>At top: "A C Gregory" Letter submitting for approval Requisitions for Stores, Provisions, Stationary [as it is], Forage, Arms and Ammunition, for service of North Australian Expedition – endeavoured to comprehend all that portion of equipment of Expedition not furnished from England, or already approved of & in course of preparation, with exception of Medicine Chest which probably may be brought from England by Surgeon of Expedition – also some items which may be specially required by Scientific Officers Some instruments sent from England are from size or construction unsuited, therefore included 5 inch Sextant & 3 Aneroid Barometers in Requisition for Stores Peas & Preserved Potatoes included in Requisition for Provisions are as substitute for portion of 2800 lbs of Rice in Requisition dated 30th March, of</p>	A2.32	305 – 307

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	55/05090		D A C General Price in Commissariat Charge, Sydney	Sydney A C Gregory Commanding Expedition	1855 06 06~ 1855 06 07 1855 05 31	<p>which quantity Commissariat can furnish 1600 lbs only from their stores - as quality of rice in the market very indifferent, preferable to substitute Peas & Potatoes for remainder</p> <p>Requisition for Forage computed for voyage 30 days from Moreton Bay to Victoria River, daily rate of 10 lbs Hay & 6 lbs Bran for each horse & a quarter of these quantities for each sheep – Corn intended to recruit horses after landing, will not be used during sea voyage unless unforeseen circumstances protract passage beyond estimated period, when it would prove important reserve of forage</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin N A E</p> <p>Requisitions in triplicate, for Governor General's signature of approval D A C G Price, Mr Gregory</p> <p>At top: "(Triplicate)" <u>North Australian Expedition</u> No ---</p> <p>Required for the service of the North Australian Exploring Expedition the undermentioned Provisions etc, viz <u>Description / Quantity</u> Sago – 200 lbs; Peas – 640 pints; Coffee – 2 cwt; Lime Juice – 500 lbs; Lamp Oil – 6 Gallons; Cotton Wick – 1 lb; Preserved Potatoes – 3 cwt "Approved – W Denison, Governor General"</p>		308
	55/05090		D A C General Price in Commissariat Charge, Sydney	Sydney A C Gregory Commanding Expedition	1855 05 31	<p>At top: "(Triplicate)" <u>North Australian Expedition</u> No 8</p> <p>Required for service of the North Australian Exploring Expedition the undermentioned Stationary [sic] viz Description / Quantity [Quantities are noted here] Drawing Paper (Elephant size); Writing Paper (foolscap); Blue Ruled Paper (Foolscap); Tracing Paper; Blotting Paper; Brown paper for packing specimens; Field Books; Memo Books; Cash, Store etc Books; Pencils HHHH; Penknives [see also pen knives]; Steel Pens; Ink; Wafers; Sealing Wax; Elastic Bands "Approved – W Denison, Governor General"</p>		309
	55/05090		D A C General Price in Commissariat Charge, Sydney	Sydney A C Gregory Commanding Expedition	1855 05 31	<p>At top: "(Triplicate)" <u>North Australian Expedition</u> No 9</p> <p>Required for service of the North Australian Exploring Expedition the undermentioned Forage viz <u>Description / Quantity</u> Pressed Hay – 15 Tons; Bran – 9 Tons; Maize or Barley – 200 Bushels "Approved – W Denison, Governor General"</p>		310
	55/05090		D A C General Price in Commissariat Charge, Sydney	Sydney A C Gregory Commanding Expedition	1855 05 31	<p>At top: "(Triplicate)" <u>North Australian Expedition</u> No 10</p> <p>Required for service of the North Australian Exploring Expedition the undermentioned Arms and Ammunition, viz Description / Quantity [Quantities are noted here]</p>		311

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	55/05090		D A C General Price in Commissariat Charge, Sydney	Sydney A C Gregory Commanding Expedition	1855 05 31	<p>Double Barrel Guns; Rifles; Colts or Dean & Adams Revolvers; Pistols, Spare Nipples, Moulds etc; Gun Powder; Percussion Caps; Shot; Lead for Balls; Powder Flasks; Shot Flasks "Approved – W Denison – Governor General"</p> <p>At top: "(Triplicate)" <u>North Australian Expedition</u> No 6 Required for service of the North Australian Exploring Expedition the undermentioned Stores, viz Description / Quantity [Quantities are noted here] Riding Saddles; Horse Blankets; Tether Rope; Horse Bells with Straps; Saddle Girths; Bridles & Headstalls; Stirrup Leathers; Stirrup Irons; Buckles (assorted); Curry Combs & Brushes; Belts & Ammunition Pouches; Gun buckets, straps and hooks; Harness shaft horse; Harness leading horses; Horse drays; Fish hooks; Pocket knives; Iron Wire; Brass Wire; Sail Needles; Matches; Match Boxes; Pocket Combs; p 313: Tobacco Pipes; Grindstone & spindle; Coffee Mill; Iron Saucepans; Iron Kettles; Linseed Oil; Olive Oil; Red lead; Alum, Borax; Mercurial Ointment; Acetate of lead; Carbonate of Soda; Tartaric Acid; Sextant 5 inch; Mercury for Artificial Horizon; Aneroid Barometers; Thermometers; Telescope; Watch (lever, hunting case); Pocket Case Drawing Instruments; Measuring Tape; Chart Case (Tin); Leather Cases for Drawing Materials p 314: Drawing Board; Crown Glass; Blowpipe; Water Bags (large); Water Bags (small); Waterproof Cloth; Screw Die; Screw Augers; Screw Wrenches; Hammers for Geologist "Approved – W Denison – Governor General"</p>		312 - 314
	53/04189	1853 05 13~ [obscured]	Hon CS	Gayndah, Burnett District John Sidney	1853 04 16	<p>"At top: "John Sidney" Letter seeking advice & assistance: on 5th August 1849 arrived with family at Gayndah, District of Burnett – Capt M C O'Connell, Commissioner of Crown Lands – wilderness, no white man on the ground, nearest Station across river 4 miles – erected bark hut & as soon as site fixed on by Commissioner for government buildings, having obtained permission that Capt O'Connell felt justified in giving viz "that he would not interfere unless directed by government", he erected & fitted up at considerable expense a Store [<i>r h edge of this section of the page obscured</i>] On arrival of Constabulary establishment, gave up his original dwelling to Bartholomew Bannister Chief Constable, & the Store for considerable period was made use of as Court House, Capt O'Connell presiding Establishment of Court of Petty Sessions drew influx of visitors to Gayndah - he being only white inhabitant with exception of Government Establishment & the blacksmith was obligated to erect an Inn for their accommodation, & for which up to present he still holds Licence – his buildings are of substantial & costly description by reason of high price of labour which always exists in this, until lately, dangerous locality – erected including furniture, fencing, paling & trenching ¾ acre of garden ground 2 feet deep at expense of from £1000 to £1200 – stand including garden, stable & stockyards upon 5 acres of ground, built upon "what we call the Village Reserve" land which has been directed by Your Honour, in reply to petition of inhabitants, to be surveyed & put up for sale in small suburban allotments, not on the government township but on ground selected by</p>	A2.32	315 – 317

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						£1000 the value of his improvements, be turned out of doors & beggared & then brought up before a Bench of Magistrates & <u>heavily fined or imprisoned for abandoning occupation of Licensed House that he Built & that he is not allowed to purchase</u> – trusts that will see necessity of recommending his claim to favourable consideration Also at top: “ 53/04189” “53/293” & Notes in margin & on p 321 M F Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands requested to report – blank cover - noted – to be returned 55/01263 John Sidney S135		
	54/10492	1854 12 05	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1854 12 01	At top: “Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands” Letter informing that on receipt of instructions re improvements upon Town Reserves, requested by his letter of 10 th August last, shall be in position to dispose of application of John Sidney to purchase land at Gayndah at upset price (ref CS letter 23 rd ult) [No 54/413] & Notes in margin 53/07465 sent to Chief Commissioner 30 August 1853 “End of the month” – resubmitted Any report in this case? Yes – 55/01263 – read & submitted today See 55/01263 “O M”	A2.32	323
	55/01263	1855 02 08	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 02 06	At top: “Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands” Reporting on 2 letters from John Sidney re application to purchase certain land at Gayndah Burnett District upon which he has erected valuable improvements (ref CS Blank Covers of 18 May 1853 & 30 August 1853): From report of Commissioner O’Connell, case will, under recent Instructions re improved lands in Towns come within the 3 rd Class of cases specified therein [No 55/43] Para 2: Does not appear applicant has held any such authority for his location as would have rendered his claim unquestionable even had he applied for a lease in terms of Notice of 11 th February 1851 - his occupation having continued with knowledge of Commissioner, he may be allowed to remove improvements in event of not becoming purchaser of allotment containing them when brought to sale & Notes in margin 53/2754 M F Recommended for approval Chief Commissioner, Surveyor General [Ref 55/05098] Noted “O M”	A2.32	324 - 325
	55/01263		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Crown Lands Office, Gayndah M C O’Connell,	1853 07 16	At top: “Commissioner of Crown Lands Burnett District” Letter reporting on application of John Sidney to purchase without		326 – 328

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				Commissioner of Crown Lands "Aug 3 – G B"	1853 08 18~ 1855 02 06	<p>competition certain land improved by him at Gayndah (ref C C C L letter 15th ult with enclosure)</p> <p>Para 2: Facts stated in Mr Sidney's letter are, as far as he is acquainted, correct – he was first person to erect buildings on what is now a suburb of Township of Gayndah, & his building was for some time used as place of meeting for Court of Petty Sessions</p> <p>Para 3: Mr Sidney applied to him for permission to locate himself which he gave him pretty much in terms he has quoted, telling him not his duty to interfere with him unless called upon to do so, that he had no authority to give such permission & he must take all the risk upon himself</p> <p>Para 4: Regarding his amount of expenditure, unable to give confident opinion, but that he should estimate it at £500 or £600 rather than £1000 – he has however put up one good substantial slab & shingled building used as an Inn with Kitchen, Stockyards & garden attached</p> <p>Para 5: There are several other persons in same portion of Gayndah Reserve who would have similar claims on consideration of government with those urged by Mr Sidney: 2 Medical men, Postmaster, Blacksmith, Chief Constable & another Publican who have all put up buildings under same sort of permission accorded to Mr Sidney – there are 1 or 2 others who have located themselves without sanction from him, has not interfered as received no reply to his communications reporting a similar infraction of the provision of the Land Sales Act on the part of Mr Le Breton - deemed it probable government did not desire such interference to take place</p> <p>Para 6: Considering Mr Sidney's claims, appears to him those of the above persons would also have to be decided by same rule & recommends in these cases, as with persons holding land under lease or licence for other than pastoral purposes, estimated values of improvements should be added to upset price of the land</p> <p>Also at top: 53/2754 – 3 Aug 1853"</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin</p> <p>This case will, & under recent instructions, come within third class of cases specified therein – does not appear applicant has held any such authority for his location as would have rendered his claim unquestionable even had he applied for a house on terms of Notice of 16th February 1851 [10th February?] but his occupation having continued with knowledge of Commissioner he may be allowed to remove improvements in event of his not becoming purchaser of allotment containing them when brought to sale</p> <p>Colonial Secretary</p>		
	55/05098	1855 06 04	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell	1855 05 31	<p>At top: "Surveyor General"</p> <p>Transmitting certain papers (now returned) re John Sidney's application to purchase land at Gayndah in Burnett District upon which he has effected valuable improvements, & requesting necessary steps be taken for having land in question brought to sale, with footnote attached to description that occupant be allowed 60 days for removal of improvements should he fail to become the purchaser (ref CS letter 23rd February last No 55/149 – Margin: 55/01263) – states course recommended in CS letter pursued a year ago, allotments of land in question having been proclaimed for sale in manner specified & having been sold on 13th January 1854 to Henry Harper [No 55/440]</p> <p>&</p>	A2.32	329 - 331

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					1855 06 04~ 1855 06 08~	Notes in margin M F Nothing further appears necessary - "Put by" "H H"		
	55/05129	1855 05 29	Hon CS	Police Office, Drayton T De Lacy Moffatt JP John F McDougall JP for the Drayton Bench	1855 05 16	At top: "Bench" Transmitting petition by inhabitants of Drayton requesting provisions of Towns Police Act be put in force in Township of Drayton, now containing about 200 inhabitants [No 55/9] & Notes in margin M F	A2.32	332
				"MF"	1855 05 30~ 1855 05 31~	Recent application of this kind was ordered to be postponed until after passing of proposed Bill to amend the Towns Police Act This may also be deferred		
				"C D R" "W D"	1855 06 02~ 1855 06 02 1855 06 08~ 1855 09 05~	Bench "End of August" – resubmitted		
				"M F"	1855 09 13~	Notes re above Bill alluded to has now been passed & assented to – presumes this application may now be complied with		333
				"C D R" "W D" "M F"	1855 09 14~ 1855 09 14 1855 09 18~	Approved Proclamation for approval & signature enclosed Published in Gazette of 25 September 1855		
	55/05129		Bench of Magistrates, Drayton	Drayton, Darling Downs	1855 09 29~ 1855 05 10	Bench Memorial of Householdors & other inhabitants of Township of Drayton – 1 st Owners of gardens in town put to serious loss & inconvenience in consequence of damage done to gardens by pigs, allowed to run loose in township, breaking down fences & destroying corn, vegetables etc 2 nd Have no means of stopping this loss & inconvenience without bringing into force Towns Police Act – pray said Act be extended to Township of Drayton to be there in force as in townships of Brisbane, Ipswich etc Signatories [l h col] Nicholas Scanlan, David Barry, John Glissan, Peter Flanagan, Robert Parker, John Shea, Richard Wilson, Arthur Smith? [r h col] Charles Pottinger, Francis Walton, Edward Lord, John Crouch, Edwin White, Alexander Bruce, Stephen Mehan, Thomas Price, W F Armstrong MD, William Handcock, Michael Minehan, John Dowling, King – Drayton? p 335: John Watts, Edward Dolan, George Booth, David Mehan		334 – 335
	55/05129				1855 09 20	[PRINTED] PROCLAMATION BY HIS EXCELLENCY SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON ... Governor General ... by Act of Council passed in the second year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and numbered 2, for regulating Police in Certain Towns and for removing and preventing nuisances & obstructions, & for better alignment of Streets therein enacted – re extension of said Act to any Towns in Colony, in addition to those specially named therein, to declare same by Proclamation: In pursuance of power so vested in him, by said Act, directs provisions of		336

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						<p>Act, as amended by a certain other Act of Council in the 11th year of Her Majesty's reign numbered 44, & by a certain other Act of Council in the 19th year of Her Majesty's reign numbered 10 be extended to Town Of Drayton in County of Aubigny [Margin: This is new – M F] Given under my Hand and Seal, at Government House, Sydney, this 20th day of September 1855 in 19th year of Her Majesty's Reign – W Denison By His Excellency's Command C D Riddell GOD SAVE THE QUEEN! "Sealed"</p>		
	55/05232	1855 06 06	Hon CS	<p>Booubajan [as it is – also spelt Boobyjan], Gayndah Clement & Paul Lawless</p> <p>"C D R"</p>	<p>1855 05 05</p> <p>1855 06 06~ 1855 06 07~</p> <p>1855 06 08~ 1855 06 13</p>	<p>At top: "C & P Lawless" Letter requesting a copy of a lost document, to this effect: an authority from Government to Messrs Clement & Paul Lawless of Burnett to import one family of German vine dressers about 18 months ago & Notes in margin W V No objection to copy of Permission being given – other similar applications have been complied with Granted Messrs C & P Lawless</p> <p>[Cover] To the Hon the Colonial Secretary / Sydney postmarked: SYDNEY-NEW S. WALES / JU*5-1855 Stamp affixed (damaged)</p>	A2.32	337 338
	54/05058	1854 06 10	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1854 06 08	<p>At top: "Agent for Immigration" Letter returning applications for permission to import Continental Labourers referred to him for report [No 54/156] Para 2: If Governor General accedes to these applications, recommends promise of Bounty should be given on following terms: To Messrs Abram Brierley & John Mactaggart bounty on 1 family qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 1 of whom shall be male & skilled vinedresser & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To Messrs Charles Robert and Gilliam O'Grady Haly [as it is – see also <u>William O'Grady Haly</u>] bounty on 1 family qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 1 of whom shall be male & skilled vinedresser & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To Messrs Clement & Patrick Lawless [as it is – also Paul Lawless] bounty on 2 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 2 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To Francis Robert Chester Master bounty on 2 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 2 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To John Leopold Zillman bounty on 2 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 2 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To John Pike bounty on 4 families qualified under Regulations of</p>	A2.32	339-361 [p 339 duplicated]

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						<p>17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 4 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>William Manning S Arnold</u> [as it is – <u>William Munnungs Arnold?</u>] bounty on 3 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 3 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>William Forster</u> bounty on 1 family qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 1 of whom shall be male & skilled vinedresser & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>Andrew Lang</u> bounty on 2 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 2 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>Henry T Lindeman</u> [<u>Henry J Lindeman?</u>] bounty on 6 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 6 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>James Manning</u> bounty on 10 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 10 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>John Norton Oxley</u> bounty on 2 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 2 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>Alexander Berry</u> bounty on 10 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 10 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>James King</u> bounty on 2 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 2 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>John Brown</u> bounty on 2 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 2 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>Burchard Frerichs</u> bounty on 3 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 3 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>James Aitken</u> bounty on 1 family qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 1 of whom shall be male & skilled vinedresser & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>Hugh Mackay</u> bounty on 3 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 3 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>Alexander Barlow</u> bounty on 1 family qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 1 of whom shall be male & skilled vinedresser & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>Jacob Goorick</u> bounty on 1 family qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 1 of whom shall be male & skilled vinedresser & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>Henry Grattan Douglass</u> bounty on 4 families qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 4 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>Charles Kern</u> bounty on 1 family qualified under Regulations of 17th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 1 of whom shall be male & skilled vinedresser & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14</p>		

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						To <u>Lachlan Macalister</u> bounty on 6 families qualified under Regulations of 17 th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 6 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>James Robertson</u> bounty on 2 families qualified under Regulations of 17 th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 2 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>James Charles White</u> bounty on 1 family qualified under Regulations of 17 th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 1 of whom shall be male & skilled vinedresser & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 To <u>George Wyndham</u> bounty on 2 families qualified under Regulations of 17 th October last, at rate £18 per head for each adult 2 of whom shall be males & skilled vinedressers & £9 for each child between ages of 1 & 14 Para 3: Compliance with these applications will involve probable expenditure of £2700, when added to amount of Bounties recommended in his letter of 28 th March last will make total of £7236 – in this amount, has not included cost of introduction of children under 14, as repayments to Government under Regulations now in force on account of adults, may be assumed sufficient to meet cost of introduction of such children & Notes in margin Approved Permissions, Parties informed, Commissioner, Draft of Despatch Inform Emigration Agent [as it is] Immigration Agent Noted "G W N"		
	54/02019	1854 03 06	Hon CS	C & P Lawless [in pencil: Clement & Patrick]	1854 01 02	[PRINTED FORM LETTER] At top: "C Lawless" Letter applying for permission to introduce 2 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Immigration Agent Blank cover - noted – to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/618 – 13 March 1854	A2.32	362
	54/02105	1854 03 06	Hon CS	Kilkivan, Wide Bay Brierley & Mactaggart [in pencil: <u>Abram</u> & <u>John</u>]	1854 01 24	[PRINTED FORM LETTER] At top: "Brierley & McTaggart" [as it is] Letter applying for permission to introduce 1 family of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Immigration Agent Blank cover – noted – to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/614 – 13 March 1854	A2.32	363

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	54/02107	1854 03 06	Hon CS	Taabinga C R & W O'G Haly [in pencil: Charles Robert & Gilliam O'Grady Haly – as it is – see also William O'Grady Haly] “W V” “W E”	1853 12 14 [could be 19 Dec] 1854 03 06~ 1854 03 11	[PRINTED LETTER] At top: “C R & W O'G Haly” Letter applying for permission to introduce 1 family of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: “Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants” & Notes in margin W V Immigration Agent Blank cover – noted – to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/616 – 13 March 1854	A2.32	364
	54/02110	1854 03 06	Hon CS	Mangula [Mangoola?] F R Chester Master [in pencil: Francis Robert Chester Master] “W V” “W E”	1853 12 27 1854 03 06~ 1854 03 11	[PRINTED FORM LETTER] At top: “F R C Master” Letter applying for permission to introduce 2 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: “Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants” & Notes in margin W V Immigration Agent Blank cover - noted – to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/619 – 13 March 1854	A2.32	365
	54/02112	1854 03 06	Hon CS	Brisbane J L Zillman [in pencil: Leopold John – as it is] “W V” “W E”	1854 01 30 1854 03 06~ 1854 03 11	[PRINTED FORM LETTER] At top: “J L Zillman” Letter applying for permission to introduce 2 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: “Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants” & Notes in margin W V Immigration Agent Blank cover - noted – to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/621 – 13 March 1854	A2.32	366
	54/02599	1854 03 21	Hon CS	Pickering J Pike [in pencil: John] “W V” “W E”	1854 03 17 1854 03 21~ 1854 03 23 1854 03 23~	At top: “J Pike” Letter applying for permission to introduce 4 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: “Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants” & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration Blank cover – noted – to be returned Mr Pike informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/730 – 23 March 1854	A2.32	367

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	54/03373	1854 04 19	Hon CS	Stradbroke William Munnings Arnold "W E"	1854 03 13 1854 04 19~ 1854 04 20 1854 04 21~	At top: "W C Arnold" [as it is] Letter applying for permission to introduce 3 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – to be returned Noted Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/954 – 21 April 1854 Retd in 54/05058 – 10 June	A2.32	368
	54/03375	1854 04 19	Hon CS	Gingin [see also Gin Gin] Maryborough, Wide Bay William Forster "W E"	1854 03 29 1854 04 19~ 1854 04 20 1854 04 21~	At top: "William Forster" Letter applying for permission to introduce 1 family of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – to be returned Noted Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/956 – 21 April 1854 Retd in 54/05058 – 10 June	A2.32	369
	54/03377	1854 04 19	Hon CS	Dunmore Andrew Lang "W E"	1854 04 05 1854 04 19~ 1854 04 20 1854 04 21~	At top: "A Lang" Letter applying for permission to introduce 2 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – to be returned Noted Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/958 – 21 April 1854 For Report – 27/28	A2.32	370
	54/03378	1854 04 19	Hon CS	Henry Lindeman [in pencil: Henry] "W E"	[no date] 1854 04 19~ 1854 04 20 1854 04 21~	At top: "W T Lindeman" [as it is] Letter applying for permission to introduce 6 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – to be returned Noted Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/959 – 21 April 1854	A2.32	371

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	54/03379	1854 04 19	Hon CS	Sydney James Manning "W E"	1854 03 06 1854 04 19 1854 04 20 1854 04 21~	At top: "James Manning" Letter applying for permission to introduce 10 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – to be returned Noted Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/960 – 21 April 1854	A2.32	372
	54/03381	1854 04 19	Hon CS	Camden J N Oxley [in pencil: John Norton] "W E"	1854 03 16 1854 04 19~ 1854 04 20 1854 04 21~	At top: "J N Oxley" Letter applying for permission to introduce 2 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – to be returned Noted Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/962 – 21 April 1854	A2.32	373
	54/03498	1854 04 21	Hon CS	Sydney Alexander Berry W Elyard for the CS	1854 04 21 1854 04 22~ 1854 04 25	At top: "A Berry" Letter applying for permission to introduce 10 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – noted - to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/1016 – 26 April 1854	A2.32	374
	55/03596	1854 04 25	Hon CS	Irrawang near Raymond Terrace James King W Elyard for the CS	1854 04 22 1854 04 25~ 1854 04 27 1854 04 28~	At top: "James King" Letter applying for permission to introduce 2 families of German Vine dressers including a Wine Cooper under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – to be returned Noted Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/1052 – 29 April 1854	A2.32	375
	54/03666	1854 04 27	Hon CS	Colstoun, Gresford John Brown	1854 04 20	At top: "John Brown" Letter applying for permission to introduce 2 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" &	A2.32	376

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	54/03670	1854 04 27 [obscured – date from CS Register]	Hon CS	[address obscured] B Frerichs [in pencil: Burchard] W Elyard for the CS	1854 04 00~ 1854 04 27~ 1854 04 28	Letter applying for permission to introduce 3 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: “Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants” & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – noted - to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/1074 – 1 May 1854 & Note [pinned to top of letter] 54/03670 – Burchard Frerichs	A2.32	377
	54/03945	1854 05 05	Hon CS	Bushy Park James Aitken W Elyard for the CS	1854 03 28 1854 05 05~ 1854 05 08 1854 05 09~	At top: “James Aitken” Letter applying for permission to introduce 1 family of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: “Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants” & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – to be returned Noted Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/1155 – 9 May 1854	A2.32	378
	54/03946	1854 05 05	Hon CS	9 Church Hill, Sydney~ [part obscured] H MacKay [in pencil: Hugh] W Elyard for the CS	1854 05 02 1854 05 05~ 1854 05 08 1854 05 09~	At top: “H Mackay” Letter applying for permission to introduce 3 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: “Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants” & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover - to be returned Noted Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/1154 – 9 May 1854	A2.32	379
	54/04488	1854 05 22	Hon CS	Sydney Alexander Barlow	1854 04 24	At top: “A Barlow” Letter applying for permission to introduce 1 family of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: “Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants” & Notes in margin	A2.32	380

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				W Elyard for the CS	1854 05 22~ 1854 05 29	W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – noted - to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/1347 – 29 May 1854		
	54/04490	1854 05 22	Hon CS	Jacob Goorick [also spelt Gorrick?] W Elyard for the CS	[no date] 1854 05 22~ 1854 05 29	At top: "Jacob Goorich" [as it is] Letter applying for permission to introduce 1 family of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – noted - to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/1349 – 29 May 1854	A2.32	381
	54/04491	1854 05 22	Hon CS	Sydney Henry Grattan Douglass MD MLC W Elyard for the CS	1854 05 09 1854 05 22~ 1854 05 29	At top: "Dr H G Douglass" Letter applying for permission to introduce 4 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – noted - to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/1350 – 29 May 1854	A2.32	382
	54/04492	1854 05 22	Hon CS	7 Hunter Street, Sydney Charles Kern W Elyard for the CS	1854 05 09 1854 05 22~ 1854 05 29	At top: "C Kern" Letter applying for permission to introduce 1 family of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – noted - to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/1351 – 29 May 1854	A2.32	383
	54/04493	1854 05 22	Hon CS	Clifton L MacAlister [in pencil: Lachlan] W Elyard for the CS	1854 05 06 1854 05 22~ 1854 05 29	At top: "L Macalister" Letter applying for permission to introduce 6 families of German Vinedressers under Regulations lately promulgated Also at top: "Applying for permission to introduce German Emigrants" & Notes in margin W V Agent for Immigration - blank cover – noted - to be returned Informed <u>Immigration</u> 54/1352 – 29 May 1854	A2.32	384

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						[Cover] Stamp: PAID DRAYTON The Honourable the/ Colonial Secretary / Sydney Drayton / May 22 1855 postmarked: SYDNEY [very blurred]		390
	55/05264	1855 06 08	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1855 06 07	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Returning letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay of 20 th March last No 55/38 [not filmed here] reporting arrival of ships "Marbs" & "Aurora" with German Immigrants, drawing attention to great mortality that occurred on board these vessels during voyage - referred to him under Blank Cover of 26 th March [No 55/327]: formed opinion in reference to equipment & management of Foreign Passenger Ships & offers suggestions with view to establishment of an Authority to control these vessels to same extent as those under provisions of British Passengers Act, both in prevention of accidents & security of health Para 2: In framing regulations under which Foreign Immigrants hitherto introduced into Colony at expense of Government, considered only requisite to provide that Immigrants be supplied with wholesome provisions & proper medical attendance, not thought necessary (with exception of quantity of water issued daily) to direct adoption of scale of provisions, etc similar to that provided under Passengers Act Para 3: Opportune time for amendment of regulations referred to above, as whole sum put apart for introduction of Foreign Emigrants has either been promised or expended, & amount of this description of Emigration at present being carried out to Colony, irrespective of Government control, renders Legislative interference absolutely necessary for regulation of ships on board which such Emigrants are embarked Before making suggestions re extent advisable to control them, discusses defective arrangements that have come under his personal observations on board vessels arriving in Port of Sydney which did not come within provisions of Imperial Act Para 4: German Immigrant Ships which have this year arrived in Colony to present time are as follows: "Undine" – Sydney; "Caesar" – Sydney; "Catteaux Wattell" – Sydney [as it is - also spelt "Catteaux Wattel"]; "Marbs" – Moreton Bay; "Aurora" – Moreton Bay; "Commodore Perry" – Sydney [see also "Perry"]; "Peru" – Sydney They brought to Colony independent of other passengers, 1494 souls in pursuance of permissions issued by government – although considerable number of deaths on board all of them, with exception of "Caesar" and "Aurora", none of them would seem to require special comment on his part Para 5: In reference to "Caesar", first of the 2 vessels referred to Immigration Board Sydney, assisted by Dr Greenup, Medical Adviser to Government arrived at conclusion that much of mortality on board originated from defective ventilation & overcrowding of vessel; in case of "Aurora" the other vessel referred to, Health Officer Moreton Bay gave his opinion she was badly provisioned & immigrants were not provided with requisite amount of clothing necessary for voyage Para 6: His personal inspection of vessels under designation of Foreign Emigrant Vessels to this Port has led him to be dissatisfied with accommodation afforded, but no complaints having been made by Immigrants & there being no Legislative enactment for his guidance, not in	A2.32	391 - 404

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						<p>a position to take notice of such matters</p> <p>Para 7: Upper decks of German ships usually crowded with water casks occupying space which should be allotted to Emigrants for exercise – they frequently carry as part of their cargoes Lucifer Matches & other combustible articles which vessels coming within control of Passengers Act are prohibited from taking on board</p> <p>Para 8: In introduction of Chinese labourers some 2 years since, same system of overcrowding took place on board vessels in which they arrived, in some ships mortality amongst Emigrants was extremely lamentable</p> <p>Para 9: In Immigration from California, same state of discomfort existed in every vessel, in many cases they were permitted to proceed on voyage without medical attendance for passengers, & many were both badly provisioned & insufficiently fitted up.</p> <p>Para 10: To show that some Legislative restrictions are requisite in reference to Foreign Passenger Ships, alludes to American Ship "Tropic" arrived last month: accommodation on board for 75 passengers when inspected by him was, compared with British Passenger Ships, insufficient for more than 44 adults & being fitted on each side with water casks, decks were encumbered to serious inconvenience of passengers</p> <p>Para 11: Master of vessel would have, as Master of a British Ship, been liable to series of heavy fines – had she taken passengers to an American Port, vessel would have been forfeited by law of United States</p> <p>Para 12: Under circumstances, recommends all Passenger Vessels under Foreign Colours & all British Ships arriving from Ports not proclaimed under Passenger Act should henceforth be subjected to following regulations, viz:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) That space & ventilation should be provided in accordance with Clauses 12, 18, 19 and 23 of British Passenger Act (2) That provisions and water should be of good quality (3) That sale of spirits should be prohibited (4) That water closets should be erected for use of the Emigrants (5) That Emigration Officer at the several Ports should have power to inspect (6) That Life Boats and Life Buoys should be provided (7) That some part of vessel shall be appropriated as Hospital & Medical Officer appointed & supplied with medicines & medical comforts (8) That neither water nor provisions should be carried on upper deck (9) That provisions should be issued daily to passengers (10) That no Passenger Ship should be allowed to carry as cargo any horses, cattle, gunpowder, Vitriol, Lucifer Matches, Guano, green Hides or any other article which by reason of its nature or quantity would be deemed by Emigration Officer at Port of Clearance likely to endanger health or lives of passengers or safety of the Ship (11) That passengers should be maintained on board vessel at expense of Charterers for seven days after arrival <p>Para 13: After giving matter careful consideration appears that if foregoing regulations were strictly enforced they would meet all objections to present management of Foreign Passenger Ships</p> <p>Also at top: "55-2732"</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin</p> <p>Thinks suggestions of Immigration Agent worthy of attention – evident that some regulations are required & these which have been drawn up by him seem to meet all the requirements of the case – Law Officers may be</p>		
				"W D"	1855 06 12			

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	55/05365	1855 06 05	Hon CS	Supreme Court Office, Sydney S Raymond, Prothonotary	1855 07 02 [as it is - June?]	At top: "Prothonotary" Letter re Writ of Dedimus Potestatem (ref CS letter 16 May last No 347); forwarded 30 th ult to Bench of Magistrates Drayton in favour of Thomas De Lacy Moffatt JP to administer usual oaths as Magistrate to John Watts of Eton Vale & Note in margin - "Put by"	A2.32	405 - 406
	55/04609	1855 05 14	Hon CS	Police Office, Drayton T De Lacy Moffatt JP for the Bench of Magistrates	1855 04 26 1855 05 14~ 1855 05 16	Letter requesting Writ of Dedimus Potestatem be forwarded to enable swearing in of John Watts of Eton Vale to act as Magistrate of the Territory [No 55/3] & Notes in margin Usual application Prothonotary, Bench Drayton "End of month" [Ref 55/05365]	A2.32	407
	55/05437	1855 06 07		William Anderson "M F"	1855 05 31~ 1855 06 07~	[Declaration] <u>William Anderson</u> District Constable accepts office of <u>Collector of the Electoral List</u> for that portion of Electoral District of County of Stanley within Police District of Brisbane under Electoral Act 1851 - declares he will perform duties to best of his ability "Declared before me ... Justice of the Peace for Territory of New South Wales at Court House Brisbane this 31 st day of May 1855 - J Leith Hay JP" & Notes in margin M F Nothing required	A2.32	408
	55/05439	1855 06 07 [crossed out]		Samuel Sneyd, Collector "M F"	1855 05 31~ 1855 06 07~ 1855 06 08~	[Declaration] <u>Samuel Sneyd</u> Chief Constable accepts office of <u>Collector of the Electoral Lists</u> for that portion of Electoral District of Stanley Boroughs within Police District of Brisbane under Electoral Act 1851 - declares he will perform duties to best of his ability "Declared before me ... Justice of the Peace for Territory of New South Wales at Court House Brisbane this 31 st day of May 1855 - J Leith Hay JP" & Notes in margin M F Nothing required	A2.32	409
	55/05460	1855 06 13	Hon CS	Revenue Branch, Colonial Treasury Francis L S Merewether "M F" "C D R"	1855 06 11 1855 06 13~ 1855 06 14~ 1855 06 15~ 1855 06 19	At top: "Colonial Treasurer" Letter reporting, in consequence of non-attendance of public, lands at Port Curtis proclaimed to be sold in Sydney on 8 th June 1855 were not offered for sale - report of sale of 7 th inst to be forwarded in due course [No 226] & Notes in margin M F For information only - believe Government Resident will be informed Yes Government Resident "J N"? "G N"?	A2.32	410 - 411

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	55/05505	1855 06 09	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 06 08	At top: "Port Master" Letter enclosing account from Mr Hodges [account not filmed here] for repairs to boats attached to Harbour Master's Department Moreton Bay for 1854 [No 55/118] Para 2: States Vote for Repairs to Boats & Buoys (£20) expended – Acting Auditor General informs there is balance remaining from Vote for Salaries of that portion of Department for that year - suggests amount be paid out of it – submits for approval & payment Mr Hodges account as proposed & Notes in margin Auditor General – B C – to be returned Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 416-JU*11 Expense can be charged as suggested to General Vote for 1854 – B C Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Approved Port Master, Auditor General	A2.32	412 – 413
	55/05598	1855 06 18	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1866 06 13	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" Submitting application from Commissioner O'Connell: proposed Barrack for Troopers attached to Crown Lands Department Port Curtis now seems absolutely necessary, tents worn out [No 55/222] Para 2: Sum required (£300) provided for Buildings in Estimate for 1856 – as Estimate cannot be authorised this year, recommends £300 be approved, chargeable to Territorial Revenue for current year & Notes in margin 55-2245 Expenditure appears necessary Approved Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Auditor General Noted "O M"	A2.32	414
	55/05598		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Gladstone M C O'Connell, Crown Lands Commissioner Government Resident	1855 04 30	At top: "Commissioner of Crown Lands Port Curtis" Letter re sum applied for in his letter 2 nd February (ref CS letter 16 th March last No 55/709 "received yesterday"): ought to have been included in Annual Estimates for 1854 when District was intended to be proclaimed - as Establishment was to be formed in hitherto unoccupied country, was of necessity that provision be made for location of the men who were to compose it [Margin: Why was it not done? – Because no Estimate was prepared] [No 41/55] Para 2: Commissioner of Leichhardt District whose appointment was the same date received allowance for location of his party - presumed as is the usual custom, his would also have been provided for had not his appointment as Commissioner of Crown Lands been joined with that of Government Resident Para 3: Orderlies attached to Crown Lands Department Port Curtis have been under canvas since June last having had use of tents he originally brought from Sydney – now worn out from exposure to hot sun and high winds – necessary to build them permanent habitation – urges propriety of his having means of building Barrack & Stables without delay of 12 months if expenditure goes into Annual Estimate		415 – 418

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	55/05598				1855 06 05~	<p>[Notes in margin here & on next page: Has any Estimate been submitted – “G B”; Yes for 1856 & sum proposed for buildings for entire Department out of which proposed expenditure would be met – not yet approved – as Estimate has been considered necessary for present year, no reason why sum asked for should not be recommended, if approved chargeable on Territorial Revenue – 7 June] Also at top: “55-2245 – 4th June 1855” & Note in margin See 55-1025 Commissioner O’Connell herewith</p> <p>Notes re above [very difficult to read in parts] <u>For Estimate 1856</u> Port Curtis (Barrack for Troopers) £300 Albert? [Office £40 [Fencing Paddock £50 ? Any others Have gone through Estimate sent in and there seems to be nothing requiring reinsertion – if as proposed a sum of £1000 be presented for Buildings and Repairs instead of £700 it will more than cover everything – nothing else seems to require alteration</p>		419
				“G B”		Notes re above [very faint, unable to decipher in parts – part obscured]		420
				“G B”	1855 05 18~ Yes New England – Liverpool Plains~		
					1855 05 22~	£48 applied for by Mr Robertson will have to be included in Estimate for 56 (part of the sum of £1000) – expense of repairs etc Liverpool Plains will not require any fresh authority, will come into expenditure for this year, & also small sum asked for by Mr Fellowes		
	55/05598		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	Gladstone M C O’Connell, Crown Lands Commissioner Government Resident “March 18 – G B”	1855 02 22	At top: “Commissioner of Crown Lands Port Curtis” Letter applying for allowance to erect stable & building to serve as Barracks for 4 Troopers attached to his Department [No 24/55] Para 2: Men are under canvas, now time to arrange for construction of more permanent habitation for them – tents much worn & thin from exposure to weather Para 3: From nearest calculation re probable cost of erecting buildings: contemplates construction costs at £300 Also at top: “55-1025 – 13 March 1855” & Notes in margin [p 422: very faint – unable to decipher in parts] There is fixed period for provision for expenditure which should be brought forward in Annual Estimate – however in this case, as Mechanics & Labourers about to be sent to Gladstone it is probable they may be able to run up repairs for Troopers		421 - 422
				“G B”		Is authority to be applied for, for expenditure proposed Must be brought forward in Annual Estimate		
				“G B”	1855 03 14~	Inform		
					1855 03 14~	Mr O’Connell “Returned”		
					1855 03 16			
				“G B”	1855 05 18~	Note re above - £300 required for Port Curtis		423

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	55/05728	1855 06 22	Hon CS	Audit Office, Sydney John Stirling	1855 06 19	At top: "Acting Auditor General" Submitting Abstract of Salary claimed by W A Brown Clerk of Petty Sessions Brisbane for acting as Clerk of Water Police Court Brisbane 1 st January to 31 st March 1855: £12-10-0 [Abstract not filmed here] [No 182] Para 2: Allowance charged at rate specified in CS letter 25 th November 1853 No 1529 [Margin 53/04722] - Account is certified by Water Police Magistrate Brisbane Para 3: Sum intentionally omitted from Estimates for present year – has to request authority be forwarded to him for passing account & for including expense in Supplementary Estimate 1855 & Notes in margins Approved Auditor General £50 a year allowed by late Governor General for performance of this duty Is there any money voted for this Auditor General - blank cover – noted – to be returned Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE--NEW SOUTH WALES / No 486-JY*5 This expense always provided for on Additional Estimates of former years – appears on Supplementary Estimates for present year, also on General Estimate for 1856 – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office	A2.32	424 - 425
				"W D"	1855 07 12			
				"C D R"	1855 07 23			
				"W D"	1855 06 30~			
				"W E"	1855 06 30			
				"W E"	1855 07 05			
				"J S"	1855 07 06			
					1855 07 07~			
	53/04722	1853 05 28~	Hon CS	Police Office, Brisbane J C Wickham	1853 05 05	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Letter re allowance to Clerk of Petty Sessions Brisbane for performance of duties of Clerk of Water Police Court (ref CS letter 11 th ult 53/02383 – see A 2.27 p 812) & amount proposed if allowance authorised [No 53/63] Para 2: During last 12 months duties of Water Police Court very onerous – as more ships likely to visit port than formerly suggests £50 per annum fair remuneration for extra duties & Notes in margin £50 may be placed on Estimates for this purpose Auditor General Auditor General – blank cover[as it is] Noted & Notes re above £25 voted on Additional Supplementary Estimates as allowance to Clerk of Petty Sessions Brisbane for performing duties of Clerk to Water Police Court from 1 July 1853 at £50 per annum – concluded authority may be given for issue of this allowance Yes! Auditor General, Government Resident	A2.32	426 - 427
				"C A F"	1853 05 31~			
				"W E"	1853 05 31			
					1853 05 31			
					1853 06 02~			
				"C A F"	1853 11 11~			
					1853 11 16~			
					1853 11 25			
	55/05752	1855 06 22	Hon CS	Chief Justice's Chambers, Sydney Henry A Elliott Clerk to Chief Justice	1855 06 21	At top: "Clerk to Chief Justice" Transmitting in triplicate Calendar of all prisoners convicted at last Circuit Court held at Brisbane [Calendar not filmed here] & Note in margin – W V	A2.32	428
					1855 06 22~			
	55/05838	1855 06 25	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham	1855 06 08	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Enclosing Petition from Bridget Sullivan praying for mitigation of sentence of 6 months imprisonment passed on husband James Sullivan (ref CS letter 16 th ult No 55/04331) - forwarding report of convicting Magistrate -	A2.32	429 - 430

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				<p>"C D R"</p> <p>"W D"</p>	<p>1855 06 25~</p> <p>1855 06 26</p> <p>1855 06 27</p>	<p>commends Sullivan's case to favourable consideration [see p 434] [No 55/116]</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin</p> <p>Offence a very bad one but as committing Magistrate recommends prisoner's release perhaps it may be granted</p> <p>Approved</p> <p>Bridget Sullivan, Capt Wickham Government Resident</p>		
	55/04331	1855 05 07	Hi Ex Sir William Denison, Governor of New South Wales	<p>Brisbane</p> <p>Bridget Sullivan</p> <p>"M F"</p> <p>"W D"</p>	<p>1855 04 17</p> <p>1855 05 11~</p> <p>1855 05 11~</p> <p>1855 05 14</p> <p>1855 05 16</p>	<p>At top: "Bridget Sullivan"</p> <p>Petition of Bridget Sullivan of Brisbane: James Sullivan, husband of petitioner, lately arrived as immigrant in Colony, having been disorderly while under influence of intoxicating liquor, was tried for same at Brisbane Police Court & sentenced to 6 months imprisonment – was unaware of law being new in town & crime of disorder within his own house while admitting justice of punishment highly necessary - petitioner emboldened by Governor General's character of kindness to lay case before him trusting he would take her into kind consideration, she & her 2 children have nothing to support them but his earnings & grant her request – husband promises faithfully never to be guilty of any such crime in future</p> <p>As said James Sullivan now 2 months in prison, petitioner prays His Excellency will set him at liberty at expiration of half his time or at any other date deemed proper</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin</p> <p>M F</p> <p>Presumes Report of convicting Magistrate be obtained in this case</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Government Resident [Ref 55/05838]</p>	A2.32	431 - 433
	55/05838		Government Resident, Brisbane	<p>Brisbane</p> <p>W A Duncan JP</p>	<p>1855 05 29</p>	<p>Letter reporting re Petition of Bridget Sullivan for mitigation of sentence passed by him on her husband James Sullivan: facts of case incorrectly set forth by petitioner - Sullivan's offence not confined to his own house as alleged, disturbed whole neighbourhood – language blasphemous & indecent - conviction was his 6th within very short period</p> <p>Para 2: Considering this case to which Vagrant Act was peculiarly applicable & seeing facts misstated in Petition, refused to endorse it as convicting Magistrate, prior to its transmission to His Excellency</p> <p>Para 3: No doubt poor woman is suffering greatly for husband's misconduct – as he has undergone a considerable portion of his punishment & his habit of drinking has been broken off for a time, cannot very strongly recommend prayer of Petitioner be granted for reasons stated – does think it is a case in which mercy might be exercised without injury to public</p>	A2.32	434 – 435 [2 x p 435]
	55/05878	1855 06 25	Hon CS	<p>Ipswich</p> <p>R Gill</p>	<p>1855 06 15</p>	<p>At top: "R Gill" [see also A2.33, p 244+ for related documents]</p> <p>Letter re case in which, through illegal decision of Magistrate here, he has been put to great expense & inconvenience: In January last in settlement of account with Colonel Gray Police Magistrate, dispute occurred about a trifling item in account – subsequently undisputed portion of account was paid by Colonel Grey's son [as it is – see also Gray] an 18 year old youth – immediately after this transaction a Summons (issued by Colonel Grey the youth's father) was served upon him to answer charge of using abusive language towards youth Hugh William Gray</p> <p>Appeared in answer to Summons 30th January: when case called, there were 3 Magistrates on Bench: Alfred Sandeman, Mr Hay & Colonel Gray</p>	A2.32	437 – 442 [no p 436]

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						<p>the Plaintiff's father – Mr Hay immediately left Bench followed by Colonel Gray, Mr Sandeman then left & held conference of several minutes with Colonel Gray at door of Magistrates private room, after which he (Mr Sandeman) returned to Bench & heard case, fining him for an act only proved by statement of Plaintiff, the sum of £7-4-6 with alternative 2 months imprisonment</p> <p>Immediately after Mr Sandeman's decision, instructed his Solicitor to bring matter before Supreme Court - case argued in Chambers 30th April last when Mr Justice Dickenson [see also Dickinson] reversed Mr Sandeman's decision & ordered fine be returned to him, but <u>without costs</u> of Supreme Court application – discusses, mentions Mr Billyard Civil Crown Solicitor States that, as regards the one objection (there were several) on which Mr Sandeman's decision was reversed, he clearly stated the law of the case to Mr Sandeman, namely that even if the case was ever so clearly proved that it's having taken place in a private house rendered it no offence at all! To which Mr Sandeman immediately answered" we want none of your law here Mr Gill"</p> <p>States Mr Sandeman's conduct during case extremely ungentlemanly & offensive, of such a nature he was forced to conclude he was acting in a case which was predetermined</p> <p>Regarding Mr Sandeman's statement "proceedings were initiated by a legal practitioner", has since been informed by legal gentleman employed in the case that he knew nothing of it until he went into Court on day case was heard, clearly showing Mr Sandeman's statement entirely without foundation</p> <p>Has reason to believe proceedings were initiated by Plaintiff's father Colonel Grey [as it is] Police Magistrate who he believes was activated by feeling of personal hostility to him, opinion in which he is strengthened by his conduct towards him in his office of Postmaster "here"</p> <p>Under circumstances His Excellency will see injustice & hardship he is subjected to, being compelled to pay heavy costs in order to recover a fine unjustly taken from him – expresses hope His Excellency will cause said costs be repaid to him either by placing sum on Estimates or by any other means – in conclusion, remarks since his case was decided there has been another prohibition granted against Mr Sandeman <u>with costs</u> – informed there are yet 2 more cases for him to defend, circumstances which he submits render some enquiry desirable – requesting that this statement may be laid before His Excellency</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margin For report of Bench at Ipswich Government Resident, Mr Gill [Ref 55/08608]</p> <p>[Cover] The Honourable the Colonial Secretary / Sydney [postmarked: SYDNEY-NEW S. WALES / JU*25-1855~] [Small square cut from letter – to remove postage stamp?]</p>		443
	55/05934	1855 06 27	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 06 26	<p>At top: "Port Master"</p> <p>Enclosing copy of letter from Harbour Master Moreton Bay re Buoy Boat: can only add to that stated by Mr Geary, that he concurs in all his views as expressed in this communication – requests His Excellency sanction their being carried into effect - quite aware of need to exercise great caution in</p>	A2.32	444 – 446 [p 445 not numbered]

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	55/05934		Captain Moriarty Port Master	Harbour Master's Office, Moreton Bay W H Geary, Harbour Master	1855 06 28 1855 06 27~ 1855 06 30 1855 07 18~ 1855 07 19~ 1855 07 21~ 1855 07 27 1855 06 10	submitting for consideration of Legislative Council any outlay not absolutely required - obvious over caution will counteract all advantages contemplated from use of Buoy Boat – discusses [No 55/125] & Notes in margin This should have been sooner thought of - Port Master should surely have known necessary strength of crew of such a vessel as the Buoy Boat – Estimates now printed & any alteration must be made by distinct motion when they are in Committee Certainly thinks 2 men too few to work “Pearl” & as Captain Moriarty agrees with suggestions of Harbour Master 2 more men may perhaps be [unable to decipher] Port Master, Auditor General 55/08122 “On 15 th July” - resubmitted Not answered To be reminded Port Master & Note re above on p [445] - “On 15 th August” At top: “Copy” Letter informing impossible to work Buoy Boat with less than 4 hands – if 2 are taken from the Pilots, will weaken crew so much they will not be able to pull out to ship entering Harbour - Mr Watson, Pilot in crossing Bay was caught in heavy squall off Mount Tempest, blew his foresail out of the brails & split it to ribbons – Mr Robinson, Pilot met with similar incident, had foresail split beyond repair – mainly in both cases caused by not having sufficient hands to secure sails, absolutely necessary 2 more men be allowed for service in Buoy Boat when required Submits safety, care & attention to vessel rests with person in charge – should have some addition to his pay, very difficult to procure man that will undertake responsibility with same pay as rest of crew – person who hitherto had charge of “Pearl” left in consequence of not receiving more than the others - requires man of responsibility to have charge of her in this Bay, might also have authority to act as Pilot in case of emergency		447 – 449
	55/00001		Robert Walker, Sub-Lieutenant, Native Police, Rannis [as it is – see also Rannes], Leichardt District [as it is]	Native Police Camp, Port Curtis John Murray, 3 rd Lieutenant, Native Police	1854 11 25	At top: “Copy” Referring to his letter of November 18 th & enclosure addressed to Colonial Secretary: to exercise a wise discretion taking with him a few Troopers under his command to ascertain the truth of reports alluded to in his letter Para 2: Shall forward his letter to Colonial Secretary by first mail for Sydney	A2.32	450 - 451
	55/00001		John Murray JP, 3 rd Lieutenant, Native Police, Gladstone	Rannes R G Walker, Sub-Lieutenant	1854 11 18	Forwarding letter which he trusts will meet with approval		452
	55/00001	1855 01 02	Hon CS	Rannes, Leichardt District R G Walker, Sub-Lieutenant, Native Police	1854 11 18	At top: “R Walker Sub-Lieutenant Native Police” Letter informing a Mr Connor resident in District, having just returned from an exploring expedition, reports seeing 3 horses & a mule (described in margin) about 60 miles in westerly direction from this place, had evidently for a long time been grazing in neighbourhood – may have belonged to Dr		453 – 455

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	55/00001					<p>Leichhardt & party Para 2: Has seen old horse tracks not far from locality alluded to Para 3: Aboriginal female of District questioned by him, states 4 white men killed in that direction, gives many minute details (such as 2 bullocks being killed etc) which do not make him at all sanguine about finding remains of party, still sufficient in his opinion to warrant further investigation Para 3: Pending instructions from his superior officers, proposes to make short expedition with a few troopers under his command, taking the native with him, & endeavour to find out truth of the statement Para 4: States very little confidence can be placed in aboriginal's statements in such a case & Notes in margin [Horses] 1 Black horse – short tail branded I.D. near shoulder 2 Bay horse – long tail branded 12 / I.D. near shoulder 3 Roan horse – short tail branded I.D. near shoulder 4 Black mule – about 15 hands high – no visible brand</p> <p>Notes re above Sub-Lieutenant Walker has exercised wise discretion in taking with him part of Native Police under his orders to trace if possible the fate of Leichardt [as it is] & his Party – let description of horses & their brand, also of mule, be published in Government Gazette, drawing attention of parties in neighbourhood to circumstance, as perhaps it may be ascertained that Leichardt [as it is] had cattle with this brand Officer in Command of Corps Notice in Gazette of 9 January "End of February" – resubmitted Sub-Lieutenant Walker to report result of search for information of government Certainly Commandant "End of April" – resubmitted Apply again To be reminded Commandant - "end of June" [Ref 55/05375]</p>		456
	55/05375	1855 06 05	Hon CS	Traylan R P Marshall, Commandant, Native Police	1855 05 08	<p>At top: "Commandant of Native Police" Forwarding Sub-Lieutenant Walker's report re his search after remains of Dr Leichhardt & also affidavit on same subject (ref CS letter 22nd March No 55/00001) [No 55/84] Para 2: Confident Sub-Lieutenant would have again attempted to discover truth of native's report had it been possible - his reasons for not having done so are perfectly satisfactory to him & Notes in margin</p> <p>Deposition of Mr Walker should be sent to Attorney General Yes Attorney General [Ref 55/05590]</p>	A2.32	457
	55/05375		Commandant of Native Police	Rannes, Leichhardt District R G Walker, Sub-Lieutenant,	1855 02 15	Forwarding report of his proceedings to ascertain truth of aboriginal native's intelligence re murder of Dr Leichhardt & party		458 - 463

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				Native Police		<p>Para 2: Started 13th December, taking 3 troopers & the native with 2 pack horses – impossible to take more men & maintain safety of his District – furthest out station (Mr Connor's) ill-supplied with men, proprietor absent</p> <p>Para 3: Proceeded 14 miles southwest on old track of his own – trooper who had proceeded ahead with guide came back to report immense number of blacks approaching – halted on seeing them, about 200 men, no females, such large number never collected unless predatory attack intended – absence of females & close proximity to undefended Station - no doubt of their intention of attacking that place</p> <p>Para 4: Natives formed 2 semicircles shouting to come & fight – one man threw spear – ordered his men to fire, 2 shots so fatal that they fled – having dispersed them, returned to where they were first seen & burned immense number of weapons – also found articles such as looking glass, mutton fat (in large quantities) proving they lately had committed depredations – late Mr McLaren & 2 men murdered at nearest Station shortly before, presumed some of the blacks to have assisted at murders</p> <p>Para 5: At sundown, proceeded to camp - scarcity of water, had to travel several miles to which circumstance he attributed preservation of their lives: blacks all returned, following his tracks until it was too dark, then visiting all the waterholes in neighbourhood until they were found</p> <p>Considered it unlikely they would attack but advisable to keep watch – 2 hours before daybreak, men awoke him saying blacks were coming – details of attack, sheltered in trees, kept at bay until daybreak, then rushed at them firing carbines & pistols with fatal precision</p> <p>Natives fled – troopers sent after horses, some 7-8 miles – details – his horse returned lame, hardly able to walk, all hobbles were broken</p> <p>Immediately went in pursuit & before night completely dispersed them - 7 killed, several others severely wounded as unlikely to recover</p> <p>Para 6: At close of pursuit, found cartridges all consumed - his horse hardly able to walk, deemed it expedient to return</p> <p>Para 7: Reports coolness & courage displayed by troopers of Native Police</p> <p>Para 8: Since then, unable to again undertake expedition from constant escort & other duty required from limited number of troopers – still considers report well worthy of investigation – he has retained the native</p>		
	55/05590	1855 06 18	Hon CS	<p>Attorney General's Office, Sydney J H Plunkett, Attorney General</p> <p>"C D R"</p> <p>"W D"</p> <p>"M F"</p> <p>R G Walker</p>	<p>1855 06 15</p> <p>1855 06 20~</p> <p>1855 06 21~</p> <p>1855 06 22</p> <p>1854 12 21~</p>	<p>At top: "Attorney General"</p> <p>Reporting on deposition of Sub-Lieutenant Walker, Native Police [Margin: herewith returned] re attack on his party by blacks whilst in search of remains of Dr Leichardt [as it is] (ref CS letter 9th inst No 431 Margin: 55/05375) [No 55/115]</p> <p>Para 2: Appears from statement in deposition that loss of life which unfortunately occurred was unavoidable & necessary in self defence &</p> <p>Notes in margin Satisfactory 55/06043</p> <p>Nothing required "Put by"</p> <p>[Deposition] Leichardt District / New South Wales / To Wit: Robert George Walker duly sworn before Charles Leith Hay JP at Rannes, this 21st day of December 1854, states:</p>	A2.32	<p>464 – 465</p> <p>466 - 469</p>

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						<p>Officer of Native Police in command of Section stationed there: on 13th inst left Station with 5 troopers [as it is] to try to discover truth of report concerning death of late Dr Leichhardt & party – reached Mr Connor's Station that evening – next morning (14th) left 2 men to protect Station, started with 3 troopers – after riding about 18 miles towards Comet Creek, came upon immense number of blacks quite unexpectedly – at first sight of uniforms, they ran but quickly turned shouting “only 3 fellow policemen” – while loading his carbine counted at least 150 men – ordered his men to ride quietly up, blacks drew up in a semicircle, each armed with as many weapons as he could carry & shouting to “come on”</p> <p>When they rode close to them, one threw a spear, he ordered his men to fire – galloped among them, 2 men were shot, rest ran away – had no wish to pursue them, was near sundown – returned to blacks camp, burned immense quantity of weapons & obtained articles belonging to Station: oval looking glass, mutton suet etc – directed troopers to proceed towards an old camp of theirs, found grass burnt - most fortunately, as it afterwards proved, had to return in another direction about 2 miles, then camped</p> <p>Watched all night, kept horses close – hour before daylight men heard a yell down the creek – instantly rushed to trees, blacks came rushing on them; by preventing men from firing able to keep them about 40 yards off from which distance they threw their weapons – none struck, had any of them been wounded, natives would certainly have rushed upon them – they might have killed 3 or 4, but their own deaths were certain – daylight, blacks formed a circle around them, he ordered 2 troopers to rush one side whilst he & the other trooper closed with side nearest to them – blacks ran away 200-300 yards & sat down – one trooper volunteered to go for horses, he ordered 2 to go - he & the Corporal remained in camp</p> <p>They had only been away 10 minutes when body of blacks (about 50-100) began to return – had resigned themselves to their fate, when they paused & Corporal said horses were coming – blacks then ran away – troopers only brought 3 horses & reported blacks had run the rest away – sent 1 boy away to track the others while 2 horses were saddled up & kept in camp - in about 2 hours, all horses were brought in, his own quite lame, all of them having been driven about 4 miles away</p> <p>Instantly saddled & went in pursuit of blacks: followed main body for 15 miles & several times came up with them - 4 more were shot & some wounded – ran them all into very small parties & in all directions, until had completely broken up the gathering</p> <p>From number, variety of tribes & vicinity of Station (they were making straight to it when he first saw them) fully persuaded they had assembled to attack & kill whites at Mr Connor's Station – from its unprotected state, proprietor & 2 men being absent at Gladstone, would have proved almost defenceless</p> <p>“Before me – Charles Leith Hay JP” & Notes in margins – 55/05375 – 55/05590</p>		
	55/06043	1855 06 26	Hon CS	Traylan R P Marshall, Commandant, Native Police	1855 06 08	<p>At top: “Commandant Native Police”</p> <p>Letter informing forwarded Sub-Lieutenant Walker's report with affidavit on subject on 8th May last No 55/84 (ref CS letters 55/00001, No 275 of 10th May & of 22nd March) [No 55/101]</p> <p>Also at top: “Respecting Lt Walkers Report re search after supposed traces of Dr Leichardt [as it is]”</p>	A2.32	470

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				<p>"C D R"</p> <p>"M F"</p> <p>"W D"</p> <p>W Denison By his Excellency's Command C D Riddell "M F"</p>	<p>1855 04 05~ 1855 05 03~</p> <p>1855 05 16~</p> <p>1855 05 17~ 1855 05 21</p> <p>1855 07 02~</p>	<p>Wambo a Polling Place for Electoral District of Clarence & Darling Downs provided Returning Officer concurs May be brought forward after this Election "End of month" – resubmitted</p> <p>Notes re above Election having terminated, question re appointment of Wambo as Polling Place may now be referred for opinion of Returning Officer? Yes Returning Officer [Ref 55/06051] See 55/04098 [A2.51, p 295] – Speaker returning Writ rec'd 3 May & sent to Executive Council same date [crossed out]</p> <p>[PRINTED] BY HIS EXCELLENCY SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, Governor General ... : In pursuance of authority vested in Governor of New South Wales, by a certain Act ... passed in the 14th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled 'An Act to provide for the division of the Colony of New South Wales, after the separation of the District of Port Phillip therefrom, into Electoral Districts, and for the Election of Members to serve in the Legislative Council', I, SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON ... do hereby appoint that the Reserve of Wambo, in the Pastoral District of Darling Downs, shall be a Polling place for the Electoral District of the United Pastoral Districts of Clarence and Darling Downs, in addition to the several Polling places appointed for the said Electoral District, by the said recited Act. Given under my hand and Seal, at Sydney this 2nd day of July 1855, in 19th year of Her Majesty's reign</p>		<p>477</p> <p>478</p>
	55/06051	1855 06 26	Hon CS	<p>Westbrook, Drayton J D McLean, Returning Officer</p> <p>"M F"</p> <p>"C D R" "W D"</p>	<p>1855 06 13</p> <p>1855 06 26~ 1855 06 27~ 1855 06 27 1855 06 30~ 1855 07 05~</p>	<p>At top: "Returning Officer" Letter acknowledging receipt of CS letter 21st May last enclosing Arthur MacAlister's letter [Margin: 7th March 1855 – returned as directed]: in his opinion "Wambo" on Lower Condamine should be declared Polling Place for Electoral District of Clarence and Darling Downs, no Polling place having been appointed in that Police District & Notes in margin M F This opinion will I conclude be acted on Yes Proclamation herewith for signature Proclamation in Gazette of 3 July Mr Macalister, Returning Officer, Speaker [difficult to read]</p>	A2.32	479
	55/06057	1855 06 26	Hon CS	<p>Sydney A C Gregory</p>	1855 06 26	<p>At top: "A C Gregory" Letter re salaries of Officers of North Australian Expedition (ref CS letter 7th inst): seeks to be informed whether augmented salary £250 per annum named as salary of Mr Baines in capacity of Draughtsman is considered to include £50 per annum as Storekeeper – appears from enclosed letter from Mr Baines[Margin: 19th June 1855] that instructions he received from Her Majesty's Government have led him to conclusion he was to receive as Draughtsman, salary equal to that finally fixed for Scientific Officers, with</p>	A2.32	480 – 481

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						additional £50 per annum as Storekeeper On reference to Secretary of State's Despatch 2 March 1855, appears intention was that combined salaries as Draughtsman & Storekeeper were not to exceed that of the other Officers of Expedition alluded to & Notes in margin N A E / 41 Herewith Despatch re Mr Baines [very faint] Mr Gregory		
					1855 06 26~ 1855 07 11			
					1855 07 04	Notes re above Appears from Secretary of State's Despatches of 2 nd March Nos 14 & 15 that Salaries of Scientific Gentlemen fixed at £150 each but that Surgeon being also Naturalist was allowed £50 making £200 & similar addition was intended for artist (Mr Baines) if employed as Storekeeper – Minute of Executive Council (M12950) with 55/05623 recommends salaries of all to be raised to £250 a year without making any distinction in favour of the 2 who are to act in more than one capacity. Under this decision Mr Baines is entitled only to £250 a year – if he should be considered entitled to more, Surgeon & Naturalist would have equal claim to an addition		482
				"W D"	1855 07 05	Think this is a misinterpretation of this Minute of Council, certainly was not intention to place all Officers on a level or to say if Government at Home thought it desirable that one man should have the value of his services measured by an increase of £50 to his salary Government here would neutralize that by diminishing addition made to all the salaries of £100 – appears proper course to take would be to add £100 to each salary in which case Mr Baines would receive £250 & £50 for acting as Storekeeper [written over: 55/05623 – 9 June]		
	55/06057		A C Gregory Commanding, North Australian Expedition	Sydney T Baines	1855 06 19	Letter re his salary as Storekeeper, a distinct & separate Office, being included in that paid to him as artist: in beginning of present year, Captain Sturt, to whom organisation of Expedition was entrusted by Home Government, informed him by letter that salaries of Scientific Officers fixed at £150 each, & requested him, to save Expedition expense of additional man, to take on office of Storekeeper, for which extra duty £50 per annum would be allowed him – expressed readiness to promote objects of Expedition to utmost of his power, at same time feared that time devoted to care of stores would detract from that required for purposes of his art – at repeated request of Captain Sturt, agreed to proposal, with understanding both written & verbal that as Artist he should be placed, with regard to his position in Party & to any advance of salary, upon same footing as other Scientific Officers receiving in addition £50 mentioned for extra duty In this opinion he is confirmed by tenor of following paragraphs from his letter of instructions, extracted for perusal: "To inform you that your salary will be £150 a year as artist with an additional £50 a year as Storekeeper should it be found you can undertake that Duty without its encroaching on your more immediate employment" – details – mentions other Scientific Gentlemen & salaries - "Secretary of State with view to your proper remuneration, will leave it to decision of Governor General to augment your salary in common with those of other Officers if he deems it right that they should be so augmented" In accordance with above, perceives His Excellency has recommended augmentation of his salary as 'Draughtsman' in common with that of other		483 - 485

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						officers to £250, & had it been his intention to include in this my salary as Storekeeper, imagines his letter would not have been without some intimation of his purpose		
	55/06059	1855 06 26	Hon CS	Sydney A C Gregory	1855 06 25	At top: "A C Gregory" Letter transmitting Requisition for Cash required for payment of Salaries & Allowances of Officers of North Australian Expedition – has not included any sum for contingent expenses as Cash Balance now in hand will be available for this purpose Also at top: "Requisition for Salaries to 31 st May" & Notes in margin N A E / 40 Immediate Proceed as before [very faint] D A C G Price, A C Gregory	A2.32	486
	55/06059		D A C G Price in Commissariat Charge, Sydney	Sydney A C Gregory Commanding Expedition	1855 06 27~ 1855 06 27 1855 06 22	At top: "Triplicate" <u>North Australian Expedition</u> No 11 Required for the service of the North Australian Expedition, the undermentioned Cash, viz <u>Salaries</u> Commander A C Gregory – 1 st to 31 st May 1855 - £31-7-9 Assistant H C Gregory – 1 st to 31 st May 1855 - £19-12-4 Geologist – J S Wilson – 5 th March to 31 st May 1855 - £56-5-10 Draughtsman – T Baines – 5 th March to 31 st May 1855 - £56-5-10 <u>Allowances</u> Commander A C Gregory – 19 th June to 31 st May 1855 - £139-13-0 Assistant H C Gregory – 19 th June to 31 st May 1855 - £139-13-0 Geologist – J S Wilson – 22 nd June to 31 st May 1855 - £10-10-0 Draughtsman – T Baines – 22 nd June to 31 st May 1855 - £10-10-0 Four hundred and sixty three pounds seventeen shillings and nine pence sterling "Approved – W Denison – Governor General" <u>£463-17-9</u>		487
	55/06061				1855 07 04~ 1855 11 12~ 1855 07 05 1855 07 05	Note Mr Gregory to receive money from Commissariat for payment of salaries on approved requisitions signed by Governor General for which his receipt will be a discharge to that Department - some accounts of its expenditure should be rendered by him – he has sent in those accompanying as showing way in which sum of £450 already paid to him has been expended – although not Colonial Service, Auditor General to examine them & others as they come in, & they might, if approved, be sent with report to Secretary of State, who would send them to proper Department in England for audit & Note re above – Returned Colonial Secretary's Office & Notes at top p 488 Reference to be made to the Auditor General Blank cover – noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / JY*6~ [very faint]	A2.32	488 – 489
				"W D" "W E"				

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	55/06061	1855 06 26	Hon CS	John B Price Sydney A C Gregory	1857 03 00~ [as it is] 1855 06 25	Letter apologizing for not having long since returned accompanying papers – escaped his attention At top: "A C Gregory" "Abstract 1" Transmitting copies of his Accounts showing receipts & payments on account of service of North Australian Expedition to 31 st May 1855 [Accounts not filmed here] Also at top: "To Examine & Query" ? [very faint] & Note in margin – N A E / 39		490 491
	55/07658	1855 07 16	Hon CS	Sydney A C Gregory "C D R" "W V" "W E"	1855 08 04 1855 08 04~ 1855 08 16 1855 07 16 1855 07 20 1855 07 21~ 1855 11 12~	<u>Memo</u> Requests for a short time papers relating to Expenses of North Australian Expedition which were sent lately to Audit Office Herewith Return Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No...- AU*17 At top: "A C Gregory" "Abstract 2" Letter transmitting copies of Accounts for June 1855 [not filmed here] showing sums received & paid on account of service of North Australian Expedition At end: Mr Jones? [very faint] & Notes in margin N A E / 52 To be audited Acting Auditor General – blank cover – to be returned Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 524-JY*24 Returned Colonial Secretary's Office	A2.32	492 493
	55/09092		A C Gregory	Colonial Secretary's Office, Sydney W Elyard for the Colonial Secretary	1855 07 17	<i>[Printed copy of this letter (& other correspondence related to N A E) – see New South Wales Legislative Council Votes & Proceedings 1855 vol 1, p 1233]</i> Copy of Colonial Secretary's letter relative to salaries & allowances of persons attached to North Australian Expedition to accompany accounts for <u>July 1855</u> "Copy" Letter with reference to despatches of Secretary of State re North Australian Expedition "which you have perused": directed to inform you that following are Scientific Gentlemen appointed to Expedition & have arrived in the Colony [No 963 – as it is, No 968 in V&P] Mr Elsey - Surgeon & Naturalist [spelt Elseg in V&P] Mr Wilson – Geologist Mr Baines – Artist & Storekeeper Para 2: Salaries of 3 gentlemen fixed by Secretary of State at £150 a year each, with £50 a year extra to Mr Elsey as Naturalist & the same to Mr Baines as Storekeeper – rates as already notified have been augmented by £100 a year to each officer & allowance also sanctioned at 1 guinea each per diem to cover expenses whilst detained in Sydney – salaries commence from date of embarkation Para 3: Dr Mueller, Government Botanist Melbourne, with permission of Government of Victoria, will join Expedition as Botanist instead of	A2.32	494 – 496

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	55/09092	1855 08 27	Hon CS	Brisbane A C Gregory	1855 07 31	Mr Drummond, with same pay & allowances as other officers Para 4: Secretary of State has also notified appointment of James Flood as Collector and Preserver at salary of £100 a year, to receive 10/6 per day during time detained in Sydney as stated in his letter of 12 th inst Para 5: Scale of wages approved for men is mentioned in his letter to him 6 th inst Para 6: Mr Humphreys appointed second overseer with pay at rate of 8/- per day instead of one of the stockmen in compliance "with your desire", as stated in his letter of 17 th of this month Para 7: Further directed to inform that Secretary of State expressed "his best wishes for your safety and success, also his desire that you should lose no opportunity that may present to acquaint him with proceedings" At end: "A true copy - A C Gregory"		497
				"W E"	1855 09 17 1855 09 18~	At top: "A C Gregory" "Abstract 3~" [partly obscured – could be 5] Transmitting triplicates of his Accounts for July 1855 [not filmed here] showing sums received & paid on account of Public Service of North Australian Expedition & Notes in margin 21 enclosures N A E / 59 Auditor General – blank cover Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 656-SR*18 Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Mr Jones [very faint]		
				Audit Office John Stirling	1855 11 12~ 1855 11 09	At top: "No 300" <u>Observations and Queries that have arisen in the formation of the Accounts North Australian Expedition</u> [some parts of this document are very faint and/or obscured] Abstract 1. Voucher 1. 55/06061 Item No 1 computed to £105-8-6 Nett amount of Abstract should be reduced to £164-5-7 Abstract of sums paid requires alteration in accordance with Item in No 1 Voucher - correct amount of payments should be shown as £332-0-8 Account Current should also be reduced to agree with the above Account Current No 2 Balance brought forward should be corrected to agree with Abstract viz £117-19-4 and last Balance in hand to £129-18-7 Abstract No 2. 55/07658 Voucher 2. Authority contained in 2 nd paragraph of Colonial Secretary's letter is to effect that Officers of Expedition are to be allowed 21/- & 10/6 per day respectively during their detention in Sydney; as there does not appear to be any evidence in Accounts that said Officers were so detained it will be requisite for Commandant to certify that they were, or otherwise to explain cause of payment of allowances. The same remark necessarily applies to each Voucher of Allowances throughout whole of the Accounts		498 – 500

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						<p>Abstract No 3. 55/09092 There does not appear to be a Voucher for Sale of Horse unfit for service. Certificate of Auction Sale should be furnished. Voucher 1 & 7 vide remarks on Voucher 2 Abstract 2</p> <p>Voucher 2. Expenses of Conveyance of Mr Elsey from London to Liverpool £2-10-6 paragraph 2 Colonial Secretary's letter before referred to, authorises the payment of salaries of Officers from date of embarkation. As this is an expense incurred prior to embarkation it will be necessary to explain on what authority payment of such expense was made</p> <p>Account Current 3. Balance brought forward should be altered to agree with Account Current No 2.</p> <p>It would appear that Augmentation to Salaries of subordinate Officers authorised by Colonial Secretary's letter No 963 should date only from the arrival of Gentlemen in the Colony as it is presumed that it was granted to these Officers on same grounds as that to General Officers of the Colony, viz to meet exigencies of present state of the Colony [part obscured]</p> <p>Voucher No 13. The first Item computes to £4-8-4 not £4-8-9 as stated. The necessary alteration should be made in Accounts</p> <p>The whole of the Accounts for services performed and for articles supplied should be prepared on proper forms and in addition to the Certificate of the acquittances of the respective persons to whom money was paid should be furnished [part obscured] "E J"?</p> <p>& Note re above - Returned Colonial Secretary's Office & Notes in margin Send copy of this to Mr Gregory with papers referred to & request him to furnish replies to queries A C Gregory "On 15 May"</p>		
					1855 11 12~			
					1857 04 01			
					1857 04 06			
	56 /04987	1856 05 30	Hon CS	Commissariat, Sydney, New South Wales John B Price, A C G	1856 05 29	[PRINTED LETTERHEAD] At top: "Commissariat Officer" Letter transmitting Statement called for in your letter No 65, 56/04046 dated 27 th Inst [No 340] Also at top: "Sums issued for North Australian Expedition"	A2.32	501
	56/04987			Commissariat, Sydney, New South Wales John B Price, A C G	1856 05 29	Statement of the Sums issued from the Treasury Chest to Mr A C Gregory for service of the North Australian Expedition and for which he is to account <u>to the Government</u> [part obscured] Date / Particulars / Amount 1855 April 25 th / To pay Salaries and Contingent Expenses / £300-0-0 June 29 th / To pay Salaries and Contingent Expenses / £463-17-9 July 16 th / To pay Salaries and Contingent Expenses / £859-10-7		502

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						£1623-8-4 [Cover sheet] Statement of Sum issued / to Mr A C Gregory for / Service of the North Australian / Expedition and for which he / is to account to Government		503
	55/06153			"M F"	1855 07 02~	Notes Made enquiries directed by Governor General with respect to identity of Mr Humphreys & result is such as not to interpose any obstacle to his appointment to Exploring Expedition	A2.32	504
	55/06153	1855 06 28	Hon CS	"C D R" "W D"	1855 07 13~ 1855 07 13~	Humphry [as it is] is same man that deserted from Native Police Port Curtis Which is right – one says result of enquiry such as not to interpose any obstacle to appointment of this man, the other says he is a deserter		505 - 506
				Sydney A C Gregory	1855 06 28	At top: "A C Gregory" Letter re engagement of a Mr Humphreys for North Australian Expedition: as he declines to join Party unless he receives higher rate of pay than that suggested "in my letter of 13 th inst" [Margin: 55/05623 – Executive Council 19 June] should be maximum wages of stockmen & has already arranged to otherwise fill situation of overseer – suggests second overseer be substituted for one of the stockmen named in letter above mentioned & that situation be filled by Mr Humphreys with salary of 8/- per diem In recommending this increased expenditure for approval, states Mr Humphreys recommended to him - capabilities for service required tested while attached to Native Police Port Curtis In comparing salaries of men attached to North Australian Expedition with Colonial rates of wages, former are liable to deduction of 4% on account of Income Tax, being derived from Imperial Funds & Notes in margin N A E / 42		
				"C D R" "W E"	1855 06 29~ 1855 06 30	For the Executive Council Blank cover – noted <u>Executive</u> 55/178 – 2 July 1855 &		
				Michael Fitzpatrick Clerk of the Council	1855 07 12	Notes re above Council advise that this arrangement be sanctioned accordingly – noted – no 55/183 Returned Colonial Secretary's Office – "Urgent"		
				"W D"	1855 07 12 1855 07 16 1855 07 17~ 1855 07 17	Approved Immediate Mr Gregory		
	55/06992	1855 06 29	Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	Commissioner's Office, Tinana Arthur E Halloran Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 05 18	At top: "Commissioner of Crown Lands for District of Wide Bay & Burnett" Letter reporting that owing to flooded state of this part of country, no mail received (up to this date) since 1 st Inst [No 55/52] Para 2: Road between Maryborough & Gayndah unpassable for many days – many inhabitants of latter place fearing an inundation, removed from their dwellings to mountain at base of which portion of Township is situated Para 3: Regrets to report loss of several lives from drowning in District, amongst them Charles Houghton JP who was drowned about 300 yards from residence of Mr Humphreys of Wetheron to which place unfortunate gentleman was proceeding when accident occurred	A2.32	507 - 508

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				George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 06 27	Para 4: Rains very frequent since beginning of year - materially retarded his operations, & wet state of country will further impede his movements Also at top: "55-2693 – 27 June 1855" & Note in margin Forwarded to Colonial Secretary for information of Governor General – noted - blank cover – No 55-240 "W D"		
	55/07148	1855 07 04	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1855 07 03	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Returning letter from Bench of Magistrates Brisbane (referred to him under B C 15 th ult) re payments made by persons resident in their District under Remittance Regulations, stating persons whose passages have been paid have been sent direct to Sydney - requesting steps be taken to ensure they are sent direct to Moreton Bay: to prevent such mistakes occurring has inserted on face of Certificate words "Brisbane, Moreton Bay" instead of Sydney, has occurred that persons intended for Brisbane have been sent in Sydney ships & put to expense of paying their own passage there – advise bringing matter under notice of Commissioners requesting they will in future provide passages for nominees of those persons residing at Moreton Bay in vessels proceeding to that Port – to bring cases more prominently under notice of Commissioners will not only insert "Moreton Bay" as place to which passage is to be provided, but will also have Certificate headed in same way in large letters [No 55/378] & Notes in margin Copy of this may be sent to Commissioners Yes Noted Emigration Commissioners Inform Government Resident Government Resident Moreton Bay	A2.32	509 - 512
	55/05850	1855 06 25	Hon CS	Police Office, Brisbane J Leith Hay JP Henry Buckley JP	1855 06 15	At top: "Bench of Magistrates Brisbane" Letter informing that persons whose passages have been paid to this Colony [under regulations of 20 th January 1854 headed Immigration Remittances] by residents in this District, have hitherto been sent to Sydney, although ships with Immigrants have for some time come direct to Moreton Bay [No 55/153] Para 2: Frequent complaints made by depositors upon subject – considering expense of bringing family from Sydney to Moreton Bay is nearly equal to passage money paid under Regulations – requests subject be brought to notice of Governor General in order that immigrants be sent direct to this Port in future & Notes in margin May be first referred to Agent for Immigration Yes Blank cover Noted <u>Immigration</u> 55/2706 – 28 June 1855 [Ref 55/07148] "W A B"	A2.32	512 again – 513
				"W D"	1855 07 04~ 1855 07 05 1855 07 13~ 1855 07 17 1855 07 17~ 1855 07 19			
				"C D R" "W E"	1855 06 25~ 1855 06 25~ 1855 06 26~ 1855 06 27~			

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	55/07231	1855 07 03	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1855 07 02	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Transmitting copy letter from Dr Spicer late Surgeon Superintendent of Immigrant ship "John Davies" arrived Moreton Bay 3 rd May last, applying for payment £15 expenses incurred by him in consequence of his detention in Brisbane & cost of his passage to Sydney [No 55/377] Opinion that Surgeon Superintendent of Immigrant ship to Moreton Bay should, if he performs duty satisfactorily, be placed in equally eligible situation to that of Surgeon coming to Sydney of securing return passage to England in vessel from this port – therefore recommends payment to Dr Spicer of amount above referred to as having been expended by him & Notes in margin This may be approved	A2.32	514 – 516
	55/07231		Captain Brown [as it is – also spelt Browne] "T M W"	"George Spicer"	1855 07 04~ 1855 07 04 1855 07 11 1855	Auditor General, Immigration Agent "G W N" <u>Enclosure referred to in Immigration Agent's letter to Colonial Secretary of 2nd July 1855 No 55/377</u> In compliance "with your advice" forwards following statement: On leaving England, almost until last moment before starting, had no idea of destination – on learning Moreton Bay was point of debarkation, concluded there would be no difficulty in obtaining vessel to take him home On arriving at Moreton Bay found vessels seldom left that Port for England & those that do hardly ever carry passengers & was compelled to come to Sydney – having completed official business experienced detention of 12-14 days as no steamer leaving for Sydney for that time - requests compensation be allowed for inconvenience & delay as well as expense P S As near as possible places extra expenses at about £15		517 – 518
	55/07233	1855 07 03	Hon CS	Gladstone M C O'Connell, Government Resident	1855 06 04 1855 07 03~ 1855 07 10 1855 10 05	At top: "Government Resident Port Curtis" Forwarding Bond duly signed by Mr Hetherington, who is only one of persons therein named resident in Gladstone – presumes signatures of his sureties can be obtained in Sydney [No 62/55] Also at top: "Forwarding R Hetherington's Bond (Contractor for Supplies)" & Notes in margin W V Government Resident Port Curtis Bond sent to Auditor General written over: Send a ... of the accepted Tender to Government Resident for his information [difficult to read]	A2.32	519
	55/07258	1855 07 06	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell	1855 07 04 1855 07 06~ 1855 07 09~ 1855 07 12	At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting in order for their proclamation & sale at Police Office, Gladstone, Descriptions of portions of Crown lands, particulars of which are stated in Schedule enclosed – Tracings of lands described are enclosed herewith (ref CS letter 20 th April last No 55/342 – Margin: 55/03126) [Descriptions & Tracings not filmed here] [No 55/532] & Notes in margin M F Not aware of any objection Approved	A2.32	520 – 522

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	55/07268	1855 07 06	Hon CS	Revenue Branch, Colonial Treasury, Sydney Francis L S Merewether "E W H"	1855 07 06	At top: "Colonial Treasurer" Letter requesting Special Authority to issue certain Publicans Licenses without payment of fine for non-payment of usual Fees before 1 st inst: appears persons named in margin posted usual fees & Certificates to obtain Publicans Licenses in due time: Margin: James Johnson of North Grafton; David Mehan – Drayton; Frank Dawson Mercer – Fassifern near Ipswich; John Campbell – Brisbane; Jacob Goode – Noogoonida, Gayndah Delay in reaching Office occasioned by irregular arrival of steamers conveying mails from Grafton & Moreton Bay [No 55/261 – 55/267?] & Notes in margin Urgent Approved Colonial Treasurer	A2.32	529 – 530
	55/07275	1855 07 03	Hon CS	Office of Inspector General of Police, Sydney W C Mayne, Inspector General of Police	1855 06 20	At top: "Inspector General of Police" Letter reporting on enclosed papers [see following letters] from Government Resident Port Curtis re necessity to appoint man, at pay of Ordinary Constable, to be at disposal of Officer in Command of Party of Native Police, to take charge of Barracks in his absence & of issuing Rations to men (ref CS Blank Cover Memo of "this day"): recommends sanction for appointment of Laurence Finnegan to be in charge of Native Police Barracks Gladstone, rate of pay of Ordinary Constable, until Sergeant of that Corps is present with Detachment there - to be conveyed to Government Resident as applied for by him [No 55/137] Para 2: Savings accruing on amount voted for pay & allowances of the Sergeant, while vacancy exists, will help meet charge by Finnegan's appointment & Notes in margin Constable may be authorised for Native Police Barracks at Port Curtis Approved Government Resident Port Curtis, Auditor General, Inspector General "H W B"	A2.32	531 - 533
	55/06047	1855 06 26	Hon CS	Gladstone M C O'Connell, Government Resident	1855 05 31	At top: "Government Resident Port Curtis" Forwarding 2 letters from Officer in Charge of Party of Native Police stationed there [see p 539+] [No 61/55] Para 2: Correspondence arose from prevalence of report that attack made on Survey Party in charge of Surveyor MacCabe [also spelt McCabe] understood to be in neighbourhood – report proved without foundation, has learnt MacCabe's Party returned without meeting with such adventure Para 3: Consequently has appointed man at pay of Ordinary Constable to be at disposal of Officer in Command of Party of Native Police, to take charge of Barracks in his absence & to issue rations to men – seeks Governor General's sanction to this appointment Para 4: Informed Mr Ferguson under no circumstances is he to send out party of men without their being accompanied by Officer or Non-Commissioned Officer of the Corps – discusses re leaving his Quarters without guard in his absence, risk of depredation Para 5: Re Sergeant Humphreys: some correspondence "already with your Office": received advance of pay, has never returned to his duty - had no authority to appoint Sergeant in the Corps ("no person here fit for the part")	A2.32	534 – 538

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				"W D" "C D R"	1855 06 27 1855 06 27~	to assume his place, thought it advisable to engage man who had just left Constabulary to undertake duty required until approval obtained Para 6: Seeks sanction to appoint Laurence Finnegan to be Ordinary Constable (at usual pay) in charge of Native Police Barracks, Gladstone until Sergeant of that Corps shall resume his duties Also At top: "55/2968/ July 2" & Notes in margin Don't object but papers should go to Inspector General of Police Constable may be appointed until Sergeant of Native Police is sent up to Port Curtis [Ref 55/07275]		
	55/06063	1855 06 26	Government Resident, Gladstone, Port Curtis	Native Police, Port Curtis John D L Ferguson, Sub-Lieutenant Native Police	1855 05 09	Letter re his earlier letter about report of native who told him aborigines had attacked Mr McCabe's camp at Mount Larcomb [as it is – also spelt Mount Larcom] (ref his letter of 2 nd inst): 1 st – Party of blacks on Fitzroy have in possession large number of sheep & cattle - 2 nd – They also have blankets & clothes belonging to white people Para 2: On 3 rd inst, started 4 troopers to proceed to Mr McCabe's camp – followed Mr McCabe's tracks past Mount Larcomb on to what from their account must have been the Fitzroy – followed this river up for some distance - owing to severe weather, provisions were destroyed & country rendered impassable – horses sank to girths – enquired of troopers whether attack made on party & they stated that none had taken place – men also saw where Mr McCabe had camped every night - small yards constructed to contain sheep –proves attack spoken of as having taken place at Mount Larcomb was imaginary - as to other reports probable some of Mr Hay's cattle have strayed on to Fitzroy - if sheep are there, they would not last a camp of blacks one night Para 3: Regrets being unable to accompany his men, owing (as pointed out in his letter of 6 th inst) to his having no person to leave in charge of Barracks – deems it most unsafe to send men out without an Officer, may have to repel force by force & loss of life may occur & Note in margin – See 55/06047 & Note at top Mr Ferguson informed that "it seems to me" illegal & consequently can never receive sanction "of my authority within this Residency" that any portion of his men should act as Armed Force without presence of Officer or Non-Commissioned Officer of the Corps responsible for their actions	A2.32	539 – 540
	55/06063		Government Resident, Gladstone	Native Police Camp John D L Ferguson, Sub-Lieutenant Native Police	1855 05 06	Letter stating troopers started in search of Mr McCabe's Party have "this day" returned but have not succeeded in finding them Para 2: Troopers report after leaving Mount Larcomb, crossed 3 large rivers but obliged to return for want of provisions Para 3: Necessary that party under his command should start as soon as practicable to follow in tracks of Mr McCabe's party – feels it is his duty to urge necessity of an Officer to accompany men Para 4: No person to leave in charge, requests instructions as to his proceeding		541

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	55/07331	1855 06 05 [as it is – should be July?]	Hon CS	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident	1855 06 25	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Forwarding enclosed Memorial from Christian Marsen for Certificate of Naturalization & states he is of respectable character [No 53/132 – as it is – 55/132?] & Notes in margin Mr M? W M? Appears no objection to grant him Certificate of Naturalization Certificate of Naturalization dated July 5/55 Prothonotary enclosing same – Mr Marsen to pay fees Acting Colonial Treasurer, Acting Auditor General, Government Resident Brisbane	A2.32	542
	55/07331		His Ex Sir Charles Augustus Fitzroy, Governor General	Christian Marsen	1855 07 05~ 1855 07 05~ 1855 07 06 1855 06 16	[PRINTED FORM] MEMORIAL, OR APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION To His Excellency Sir Charles Augustus Fitzroy ... Governor General ... Memorial of Christian Marsen of Brisbane in County of Stanley – native of Island of Lasso [Laeso?] in Kingdom of Denmark - 23 years of age & is by trade a Ships Carpenter – arrived in Colony by ship "Caroline" in 1853 – refers to annexed Certificate of Character from persons whom Memorialist has known since arrival – Memorialist has since arrival married a British born subject (who is still living) & by whom he has one child – intends to reside in Colony for remainder of his life <u>Certificate</u> We certify as to correctness of statements, have known Memorialist Christian Marsen for last 6 months, believe him to be a person of respectable character – "John O'Cock, Solicitor, Brisbane – William Kent, Druggist, Brisbane – William Pettigrew, Brisbane Saw Mills, Brisbane"		543
	55/07354	1855 07 09	Hon CS	Brisbane H Stuart Russell	1855 07 04	At top: "H Stuart Russell" Letter enclosing Petition from Inhabitants of South Brisbane [see p 555] for sum to be placed on Estimates for ensuing year for draining & otherwise improving their Streets: Roads are <u>bad</u> , have been for considerable time useless for traffic of any description with drays or other vehicles, from incessant rain during last 6 months - accumulation of waste is so great that township is becoming a ...? swamp – requests Memorial be submitted for His Excellency's consideration & Notes in margin Too late to put sum in Estimates - inform Inhabitants that measure? now before Council by which power will be given to them to levy rates for purpose in question H S Russell	A2.32	544 – 546
				"W D"	1855 07 11 1855 07 14			
	54/05178				1855 03 09~	Notes Towards improving Town of South Brisbane, Moreton Bay £500 voted: Government Resident in recommending sum should be placed on Estimates for purpose suggested money should be expressly for purpose of erecting substantial Bridge in Grey Street & for improving drainage of the Town - Government Resident to be informed of amount voted & requested to state whether work could not be undertaken under direction of Surveyor of Roads for District	A2.32	547 – 549

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	54/05178	1854 06 14	Hon CS	<p>"W D" "C D R"</p> <p>Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident</p> <p>"C A F"</p> <p>"W E"</p> <p>"J S"</p>	<p>1855 03 13~ 1855 03 12 1855 03 11~</p> <p>1855 03 24</p> <p>1854 06 10</p> <p>1854 06 15~</p> <p>1854 06 16~ 1854 06 15</p> <p>1854 06 19~ 1854 12 11</p>	<p>Approved</p> <p>Let Government Resident be informed & requested to state best mode of expending it under superintendence suggested or otherwise Government Resident Moreton Bay "On 15th April" [Ref 55/03298]</p> <p>At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Reporting on Memorial from Residents South Brisbane requesting sum (£1000) be placed on Estimates for current year for improvements to be effected therein (ref CS letter 19th May No 54/04062) [No 54/109] Para 2: Considers improvements named by Memorialists absolutely necessary, to ensure communication between Town & Country & being essential to health of inhabitants – recommends request - at same time suggests that as Grey Street communicates with road to Ipswich & Interior more directly than any other & is principal entrance to Town, bridge over that portion of Creek which crosses it should be first consideration - to be constructed in substantial & permanent manner instead of dividing any sum granted, in making temporary improvements in different parts of Town Para 3: Suggests whatever sum granted for works in question, should be expressly for purpose of erecting substantial bridge in Grey Street improving drainage of Town Also at top: "Supplementary" & Notes in margin May be referred to Colonial Treasurer & Auditor General for consideration in? Estimates if it has not been sent in too late Noted Blank cover Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 193-JU*19; also "222" Auditor General say £500 £500 voted for Estimates Returned [Ref 55/03298 – see p 563]</p>		550 – 553
	54/04062	1854 05 10	Hon CS	<p>South Brisbane William Kent</p> <p>"C A F"</p>	<p>1854 04 29</p> <p>1854 05 13~ 1854 05 19 1854 05 19</p> <p>1854 04 00~</p>	<p>At top: "William Kent" Letter enclosing from trading community & inhabitant householders of South Brisbane Memorial requesting survey be made of & sum to be placed on Estimates for certain improvements to Town of South Brisbane & Notes in margin Refer for report of Government Resident Moreton Bay Government Resident Mr Kent informed [Ref 54/05178]</p> <p>Memorial of trading community & inhabitant householders of South Brisbane - 1 Memorialists interested in health & prosperity of township of South Brisbane: large portion of trade of Moreton Bay has long been concentrated not only from facilities it affords for formation of wharfs but from its being principal outlet for produce of Northern Districts 2 Main thoroughfares comprising Russell Street & Stanley Quay communicating with only roads from Ipswich, Darling Downs, Cleveland & Logan River pass through a swamp & in and around, greater portion of</p>	A2.32	554
	54/04062		His Ex Sir Charles Augustus Fitzroy, Governor General					555 – 558 [2 x p 555]

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	54/04062					<p>population is located 3 For want of necessary drainage to carry off water, in wet weather these streets are rendered impassable & houses surrounded with water for weeks together endangering health & destroying comfort of inhabitants 4 Streets Stanley Quay & Grey Street are intersected by deep creek over which Bridges are required to connect Eastern with Western parts of township & localities already indicated in Para 2. 5 While any efficient Plan which will increase facilities for traffic will greatly benefit your Memorialists, it will at same time add considerably to value of large number of unsold allotments on Eastern side of Creek 6 Memorialists beg to append outline of necessary works contemplated in Memorial & for reasons stated pray His Excellency will cause to be made survey & report upon same; also in mean time cause to be placed on Estimates of current year £1000 or such sum as he sees fit</p> <p>Signatories <u>Name / Designation</u> p 556: William Kent / Druggist & Freeholder; J & G Harris / Merchants & Shipowners; W Melville / Inn Keeper; George Appel / Merchants; George Christie / Householder; Thomas Alford / Auctioneer & Agent; Henry Buckley / Merchant; A J Hockings / Merchant; W Connolly / Agent; R Towns & Co / Merchants & Shipowners; Rundle Dangar & Richards / Merchants & Shipowners p 557: Alexander T Speer / Auctioneer & Agent; Alexander McIntyre / Freeholder; William Qualtrough / House Holder; William Coombes / Free Holder; James Donald / Householder; James Moyes / House holder; William T....? / House holder; John Campbell / House holder; Peter Jackson / Freeholder; Richard Bostretch [Bostridge?] / Householder; Daniel Peterson / Wharfinger; James Orr / Freeholder; John Orr / Freeholder; John Cockerill / Freeholder; Samuel Stevens / Freeholder; Samuel Taylor Kerfoot / Householder; John Grogan / Householder; John Mathers / Free holder; John Toppin [also spelt Topping] / free holder; Thomas Grenier / Freeholder; John Chambers / house holder; David Culluck [Bullock?]; Patrick Byrne/ house holder; p 558: At top: "Continuation Memorial from South Brisbane April 1854" Moses Walmsley / freeholder; Ambrose Tinley [his mark] [Tillaney?] / House holder; John Souter / Freeholder; John Higham / Freeholder; John Graham / Freeholder; Thomas Mulcahy / House holder; Thomas Kinsela / Free holder; Thomas Costin / House Holder; J Greenaway / House Holder; F Altwicker [see also J F Altwicker] / Merchant; J C Heussler / Merchant; Charles Eisteread? / householder; John Howard / Householder; Frederick Walker / Freeholder; Charles Eaborn / Householder; Daniel Lynch / Householder; John Cronk / Householder; James Williams / Householder; James Reid / Freeholder</p> <p>Outline of necessary Works referred to in Memorial to His Excellency the <u>Governor General from the Inhabitants of South Brisbane dated April 1854</u> One Bridge in Stanley Quay over Creek / Span about 30 feet One Bridge in Grey Street over Creek / Span about 30 feet Drainage & formation of Roadway in Russell Street about 12 chains Drainage & formation of Roadway in Stanley Quay about 21 chains Drainage & formation of Roadway in Grey Street about 8 chains</p>		559

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	55/02082			"W V"	1855 03 06 1855 03 05~ 1855 03 05~	Note Will Mr Lane say if papers re Breakfast Creek Bridge are at Audit Office Have carefully searched (& Auditor General has searched amongst his papers) but cannot find 54/09411 <i>pinned on top of:</i> Note ... papers with 54/09411 – Government Resident Moreton Bay – 24 October - Petition from Inhabitants for £500 to be placed on Estimates for repair of Breakfast Creek Bridge – resubmitted to Mr Vallack 15 th December Notes [versos of above notes] Mr Ryan – Can you trace? - "No" [<i>verso p 560</i>] Was this referred to Auditor General – Immediate [<i>verso p 561</i>]	A2.32	560 561 562
	55/03298	1855 04 10	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident "C D R" "W D"	1855 04 04 1855 04 16~ 1855 04 16 1855 04 18	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Letter re certain improvements in Town of South Brisbane (ref CS letter 24 th ult No 54/05178) [No 55/55] Para 2: Since former correspondence on this subject, has with Surveyor of Roads carefully examined the different parts of South Brisbane where the Creek by which backwater escapes, interferes with thoroughfares - now of opinion that Bridge suggested to be built would be more advantageously placed in Stanley Quay than in Grey Street Para 3: Manner in which he proposes work will be executed: desirable to call for Tenders - as Mr Vigors now employed in superintending work on portion of road about 50 miles from Brisbane, perhaps improvements in South Brisbane may be carried on "under my superintendence" with assistance of 2 residents interested & anxious that money be expended in most useful manner – Henry Buckley & William Kent both willing to assist & Notes in margin Suggestion of Captain Wickham may be acted upon Approved Government Resident Brisbane [Ref 55/07354]	A2.32	563 – 566
	55/03533	1855 04 16	Hon CS	Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident "C D R"	1855 04 11 1855 04 18~ 1855 04 20	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Letter re state of streets in Brisbane which owing to late heavy rain are now nearly impassable - no local funds from which expense of repairing them can be obtained, requests Governor General authorize £1000 be placed on Estimates – at same time, very desirable that inhabitants be enabled to tax themselves & raise funds for such local works [No 55/68] & Notes in margin Returned without Minute Inform Captain Wickham it is in contemplation to introduce Bill into Legislative Council for purpose of enabling inhabitants of (amongst other Towns) Brisbane to assess themselves for local purposes Government Resident [Ref 55/05032]	A2.32	567 – 568
	55/05032	1855 06 01	Hon CS	Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident	1855 05 18	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 20 th April No 55/03533 informing, in reply to his request for £1000 to be placed on Estimates for repairs to streets in Brisbane, it is in contemplation to introduce Bill for purpose of enabling inhabitants of Towns to assess themselves for local purposes: wishes to bring to notice great necessity for assistance in commencement	A2.32	569 – 571

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				"W D" "C D R"	1855 06 02 1855 06 21 1855 06 02~	beyond which inhabitants will be able to do for themselves [No 55/105] Para 2: In Brisbane & Ipswich is much uneven ground & very considerable outlay will be required in first formation & drainage of streets & as only sums granted for these purposes viz £100 for North Brisbane & like sum for Ipswich, have been insufficient for any permanent improvement - trusts Governor General will direct £1000 be placed on Estimates for formation of streets in each of towns of Brisbane & Ipswich, as without some assistance from Public Funds, years will pass before any great improvement can be effected - is now matter of difficulty, during wet weather, to pass from one part of the towns to another & Notes in margin The Health of Towns Bill will settle this matter Government Resident Government Resident Brisbane praying again for sum (£1000) to be put on Estimates for repairing streets in Brisbane – as inhabitants could not afford to undertake all works required ... if they had the power of taxing themselves See 55/07354		
	55/07406	1855 07 11	Hon CS	Office of Inspector General of Police, Sydney W C Mayne, Inspector General of Police "C D R" "W D"	1855 07 10 1855 07 12~ 1855 07 12 1855 07 23	At top: "Inspector General of Police" Returning application from Henry Walker, Wide Bay soliciting appointment in Native Police, referred to him under Governor General's blank cover Mem of 30 th ult: reductions about to take place amongst existing Officers of the Force – Mr Walker should be informed that under circumstances, no hope can be held out for appointment as an Officer [55/149] <i>[this letter is very faint]</i> & Notes in margin Henry Walker to be informed Yes Henry Walker "H W B"	A2.32	572 – 573
	55/06065	1855 06 26	Hon CS	Wide Bay Henry Walker "C D R" "W D" "W E"	1855 05 28~ 1855 06 30~ 1855 06 30 1855 07 07 1855 07 09~	At top: "Henry Walker of Wide Bay" Letter soliciting appointment in Native Police Force – heard vacancy likely in Corps, last 7 years had great experience amongst aborigines & in bush life & is personally known to Commandant Native Police - confident he would recommend him Also at top: "55/3168" & Notes in margin Do not know~ anything of Mr Walker Refer to Inspector General of Police Blank cover – to be returned Noted [Ref 55/07406] "H W B"	A2.32	574 - 575
	55/07479	1855 07 10	Hon CS	Dalby, Darling Downs Joshua P Bell JP for the Bench	1855 06 18	At top: "Bench of Magistrates Dalby" "No 2" Letter in reply to CS letter 14 th ult [Margin: 54/00756] requesting Sydney B Dowling [see also Sydney Bro Dowling] , Clerk of Petty Sessions at Dalby, Myall Creek furnish names of sureties for his Bond: he has referred Bench to Bond entered into by him shortly after his appointment, stating Arthur Hodgson & Robert Cooper Bagott [as it is – see also R C Bagot] at that time both of Darling Downs, are gentlemen who entered into Bond – in order to prevent delay, in case of mistake, Mr Dowling mentions names of Thomas Barker of Sydney & James Dowling Police Magistrate of Sydney as gentlemen who will enter into any further Bond necessary	A2.32	576 – 578

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				"C D R"	1855 07 10~ 1855 07 11~ 1855 07 13~ 1855 07 23 1855 09 05~ 1955 09 18~ 1855 09 22 1855 10 16~	& Notes in margin & on p 577 W V Bond mentioned on 2 nd page has not been received, sureties now proposed may perhaps be apprised Yes Bench Myall Creek "On 1 st August" – resubmitted Bench may be reminded that Bond has not yet been received Bench "On 16 October" – resubmitted Nothing further required – Mr Dowling has been dismissed		
	54/00756			"C D R"	1855 03 15 1855 03 19 1855 04 11 1855 05 03~ 1855 05 04~ 1855 05 07~ 1855 05 14 1855 07 05~ 1855 01 16~ 1855 01 31 1855 03 13~	Notes p 579: Bench may be reminded that sureties have not yet been named Yes Bench "On 1 st May" – resubmitted As names of sureties called for more than 3 months ago have not yet been given, perhaps usual course should be pursued to stop issue of any more salary to Clerk of the Bench Dalby until they have been given Yes Bench Dalby, Acting Colonial Treasurer 55/07479 "On 1 st June" – resubmitted p 580: Sydney Dowling is now Clerk of newly appointed Bench at Dalby Myall Creek – he should give security as Clerk of Petty Sessions Bench Condamine "On 1 st March" – resubmitted	A2.32	579 – 580 [pages out of order]
	54/00756	1854 01 24	Hon CS	Drayton, Darling Downs Arthur Hodgson	1854 01 14 1854 01 25~ 1854 01 28~ 1854 01 30~ 1854 01 31~ 1854 02 01~ 1854 02 10	At top: "A Hodgson" Letter re Notice in Government Gazette 3 rd inst re appointment of Sydney Dowling Clerk of Petty Sessions at "Wombo" [as it is – see also Wombo]: suggests this is a mistake & that Myall Creek is intended – has been Court of Petty Sessions at "Wombo" for last 12 months & Mr Westmacott [as it is – see also Westmacott] holds situation of Clerk of Bench there – Estimates for new Court of Petty Sessions at " <u>Myall Creek</u> " were only passed during late Session of Legislative Council & Notes in margin & on p 582 Minute for the appointment M11745 herewith W V Urgent At Wombo [as it is] Myall Creek Mr Westmacott is Clerk of Petty Sessions – provision has been made for another Court of Petty Sessions at Myall Creek but precise situation not yet fixed upon – this is Court to which Sydney Dowling was probably intended to be appointed instead of Wombo Yes - as mistake so evident there being already Clerk of Petty Sessions Wombo it should have been pointed out before Mr Dowling was gazetted Notice, Mr Hodgson, Mr Dowling		581 – 582

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			Assistant Immigration Agent, Moreton Bay	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1855 03 22	<p>Enclosure referred to in Immigration Agent's letter to Colonial Secretary of 12th July 1855 No 55/385</p> <p>Letter re Petition to Governor General from Mechanics who arrived by Immigrant Ship "Queen of England" setting forth difficulty experienced obtaining employers willing to advance amount of Bond due to government & requesting to be allowed to pay the same in four quarterly instalments – under advice from Attorney General, Governor General pleased to accede to their request</p> <p>Para 2: Governor General having made Regulation, it will apply to all Mechanics similarly situated – transmits 25 Blank Bonds [not filmed here] to be made applicable for such cases as may come under his notice & authorize him to release them from their original Bond on due execution of the one now enclosed</p> <p>Para 3: To take all necessary precautions for collection of amounts due on account of Bonds by ascertaining employment entered into by Immigrants on leaving Depot & to forward monthly list of Bonds entered into by showing dates on which the several payments are made</p> <p>Para 4: Encloses a few copies of new wages table [not filmed here] & requests him to report cases of refusal to enter into engagements by Immigrants, so their names may be submitted to His Excellency for their employment on Public Works "G W N" "T M W"</p>		591 – 593
	55/05842	1855 06 25	Hon CS	Brisbane J C Wickham, Government Resident	1855 06 08	<p>At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay"</p> <p>Letter re loss sustained by government by Immigrants remaining in Depot & persisting in refusing current wages of District (ref his letter of 15 November 1854 – Margin: 54/10289): suggests Assistant Immigration Agent be authorised to turn such persons out of Depot [No 55/118]</p> <p>Para 2: Bring subject to Colonial Secretary's Notice as appears that, unless there be some means of getting rid of such persons, Depot will in time become refuge for idle & useless people</p> <p>Para 3: Immigrants who remain in Depot for a length of time are of that description on whom no employer would advance a shilling – suggests after certain period they should be turned out to fend for themselves – they can all earn a living but cannot get extravagant wages they demand</p> <p>Para 4: Immigrants now standing out for wages fully 25% & even 50% beyond current rate in Sydney – gentlemen from country have returned to their Stations without hiring any, rather than give way to their unreasonable demands or make advances on compulsory agreements – as a matter of economy, might be better to sacrifice amount of the Bonds, in particular cases, than to incur equal expense in providing for such persons in Depot</p> <p>Para 5: Particularises 3 families who have been a long time in the Depot: Edward Page & family arrived in "General Hewitt" 19th November last - & of Donald McLenan [also spelt McLennon] & John McAllum [also spelt McCallum] & families who arrived in "William Miles" on 19th January</p> <p>Does not see any probability of any employer advancing wages on their account, & contractors have declined to employ them</p> <p>Para 6: Especially recommends such measure as regards Edward Page who is idle & drunken character – expense incurred by these men & families considerably more than amount of their Bonds - thinks if they were summarily ejected from Depot, it would have beneficial effect on the others &</p> <p>Notes in margin</p> <p>Government Resident may be informed of mode adopted by Maitland, viz</p>	A2.32	594 – 599
				"C D R"	1855 06 25~			

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				"W E"	1855 06 26	taking Bond of people themselves but first refer to Agent for Immigration Blank cover – noted – to be returned <u>Immigration</u> 55/2696 – 29 June 1855 [Ref 55/07554]		
	54/10720	1854 12 12	Hon CS	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1854 12 12	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Returning letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay [Margin: 15 November 1854] stating Immigrants now in Depot refuse to take employment in Country ("referred to me under your Blank Cover of 1 st Inst): cannot agree with view taken by Government Resident re these Immigrants as discharge of them will involve question of much importance to future operation of Assisted Immigrants Act [No 54/406] Para 2: May be some isolated instances where expenses contingent on keep of Immigrant after arrival will exceed amount he is called upon to pay Government on account of passage money - considers this a minor evil compared with what effect would be if Immigrants led to suppose by refusing employment & incurring expense for their keep, they would be released by Government from operation of their Bond – Act as now amended will assist Immigration Agent Brisbane in obtaining employment for this class of persons – suggests if there are Government Works in course of completion in neighbourhood, Immigrants refusing reasonable employment be made over to Contractors or Officer in charge of Department by compulsory agreement, & employer would be authorised to make deductions from Immigrant's weekly wages as will complete payment due to Government in 3 or 6 months Para 4: This course more beneficial in its operation than that suggested by Captain Wickham & will not hold out inducement to ill-disposed to refuse employment on arrival in Colony Also at top: "54/10289" & Notes in margin Concur in this report – let copy be forwarded to Government Resident at Brisbane for information & guidance "Urgent" Government Resident Noted "G W N" [Ref 55/05842]	A2.32	600 – 604
	54/10289	1854 11 28	Hon CS	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident	1854 11 15	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Forwarding enclosed Return received from Assistant Immigration Agent at Brisbane, showing number of Immigrants still in Depot & who do not appear likely to be hired under existing Regulations [No 54/231] Para 2: On reference to Return, expense of keeping these people in Depot has nearly reached amount already due to Government on Bonds which they signed in England, & as they are of that description of Immigrant for whom no person is likely to advance money on a compulsory agreement – suggests as matter of economy those who have refused offers of suitable employment should be turned out of Depot, also suggests authority be given to Assistant Immigration Agent to stop rations of all who may in future refuse employment at current wages – in event of arrival of another Immigrant Ship, that they be turned out to make room for new comers Para 3: People now in Depot refuse to go to the Country & as there is good supply of labourers in Brisbane, no one is likely to advance money for them – employers in Country will not do so on compulsory agreements	A2.32	605 – 608

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				<p>"C A F" "W E"</p> <p>Brisbane John Stephen Ferriter, Immigration Agent</p>	<p>1854 11 29~ 1854 12 01 1854 12 02~</p> <p>1854 11 13~</p>	<p>& Notes in margin For report of Immigration Agent Blank cover – to be returned Noted <u>Immigration</u> 54/3837 – 4 December 1854 [Ref 54/10720]</p> <p>Enclosure to letter of Government Resident Moreton Bay <u>of 15 November 1854</u> <u>Immigrants remaining in Depot, Brisbane on Monday, 13th November 1854</u> [Names: Surname-Christian/ Age/ By what Ship/ Date of arrival in Brisbane Depot/ Calling/ Amount of Bonds/ Amount of Rations received while in Depot/ General Remarks] Carrick: Michael – 33; Susan – 29; Mary – 11; Catherine – 3; Bridget – 2 / "Monsoon" / 19 August 1854/ Labourer/ £12/ £13-9-9/ Carrick's wife has been supplied with Baby linen for her confinement & has been on sick list from her arrival in Depot, expenses of this family do not include Necessaries, Medicines, Wine & Ale supplied by Surgeon nor Wood & Water while in Depot Hurley [also spelt Hurly]: Denis [also spelt Dennis] – 31; Mary – 30; Jeremiah – 7; Bridget – 5/ "Monsoon" / 19 August 1854/ Labourer/ £12/ £11-11-3/ This man is by trade a Coachman & Groom, will engage only in Town as labourer & has refused employment – considers him an idle man Leonard: Thomas – 25; Mary – 23/ "Monsoon" / 19 August 1854 / £12/ £7-14-2/ Leonard's wife came on shore sick, & in Doctor's opinion will not recover, husband willing to work in Town, sum carried out is for Rations exclusive of Medicines, Comforts, Wood and Water Malone: Michael – 28; Margaret – 24/ "Monsoon" / 19 August 1854/ Labourer/ £12 / £7-14-2 Brophy: Thomas – 37; Mary – 29; Catherine – 8; James – 2; Mary – Infant/ "Genghis Khan" 26 August 1854/ Labourer/ £12/ £12-11-5 / Brophy willing to work but refuses to go further than Ipswich – has had offers Blockside: Benjamin – 56; Sarah – 56; Benjamin – 13 / "Genghis Khan" 26 August 1854 / Miner/ £2 [as it is]/ £7-14-2 / Blockside & wife both very sickly – the man all the way from England until this day having been all the time except for a few days confined to bed which he now is; the Boy is at work in Town & of course not having rations Ferguson: Martin – 34; Bridget – 27; Catherine – 10; John – 7; Mary -2/ "Genghis Khan" / 26 August 1854 / Labourer/ £12/ £12-11-5/ Ferguson is willing to work in Town, has had offers to engage in Country but refuses to go beyond Ipswich Hayes: Michael – 26; Ellen – 25; Mary – 1/ "Genghis Khan" 26 August 1854/ Labourer/ £12 / £8-19-7 / Hayes has had several offers but refuses to go out of Town – his wife near her confinement Malone [also spelt Maloney]: Michael – 30; Margaret – 23; "Genghis Khan" 26 August 1854/ Labourer / £12/ £7-3-8 / Malone by profession a Clerk & Wife a Dress maker – refuses to go out of Town, willing to engage as Labourer McIntyre: John – 37; Bidy – 36; Bidy – 11; James – 8; Catherine – 5; John – 2 / "Genghis Khan" / 26 August 1854 / Labourer / £12 / £14-7-4 / McIntyre willing to work in Town but has refused offers to go to the Country on account of large family</p>		609 - 610

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						<p><u>Single Women</u> Donovan: Joanna [also spelt Johanna] – 14/ “<i>Monsoon</i>” 19 August 1854/ Housemaid / £12 / £3-17-1 McMahon: Mary – 14 / “<i>Genghis Khan</i>” / 21 August 1854 [as it is] / none / £12 / £3-11-10 O’Keefe [also spelt O’Keffe]: Mary – 14/ “<i>Genghis Khan</i>” / 21 August 1854/ none / £12 / £3-11-10 Remarks relating to these 3 women: These sums do not include Wood & Water & each look much younger than 14 years of age which their parents state to be the case but as they have signed Indentures, they must ...? In pencil below Columns: Amount of Bonds £146-4-0 / Amount of Rations received while in Depot £114-17-8 [<i>very faint</i>]</p>		
	55/07556	1855 07 13	Hon CS	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1855 07 12	<p>At top: “Agent for Immigration” Returning letter from Secretary to Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners (ref CS blank cover letter 30th ult) re release of Michael Lawler [also spelt Lawlor, Lawlar) Immigrant by “<i>Monsoon</i>” of his Bond, he having been inadvertently required to sign one before embarkation in addition to payment of £13 made by him on account of his passage – requests he will authorise return of £6-10-0 in cash & of Promissory Note for same amount received on his account from his Employer John Hanley [No 55/386] & Notes in margin Noted For approval Approved Immigration Agent, Colonial Treasurer, Auditor General</p>	A2.32	611 – 612
			C D Riddle [as it is – see also Riddell] Colonial Secretary, Sydney	Colonial Land and Emigration Office, Park Road, Westminster S Walcott, Secretary	1855 07 12~ 1855 07 13~ 1855 07 13 1855 07 14 1855 07 23 1855 04 04	<p>[PRINTED LETTERHEAD] At top: “M12988 – 30 June 1855 Transmitting, under direction of Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners, letter received from Samuel Ellis, their agent in Dublin re Michael Lawler emigrant by “<i>Monsoon</i>” to Moreton Bay, who paid £13 in this country towards his passage & was inadvertently required at Port of Embarkation to sign Bond for repayment to Colony of further sum of money As £13 is full sum required to be paid under Regulations, Board presumes Governor will sanction repayment to Lawler on his application, of any money he may have paid in Colony in respect of his Bond & Notes in margin Agent for Immigration - blank cover Noted <u>Immigration</u> 55/2810 – 3 July 1855 [Ref 55/07556]</p>		613 – 614
			S Walcott	2 Marlboro Street, Dublin Samuel Ellis	1855 06 30 1855 07 02~ 1855 03 28	<p>At top: “M12988” “23563” (Copy) Encloses letter received from Revd Thomas White of Gors Bridge [as it is – also spelt Goresbridge, Gore’s Bridge] County Kilkenny, also copy of letter from Michael Lawler published in Sydney ‘Freeman’s Journal’ [<i>see Trove</i> –</p>		615 – 616

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						<i>Freeman's Journal</i> – Saturday 2 December 1854, p9] [neither of these letters filmed here]: states Michael Lawler emigrant approved by Commissioners for passage to New South Wales – paid full sum £13 in this country, which sum he remitted to London on 27 th March 1854 along with deposits for Patrick Rehon & wife (for New South Wales) and Simon Murphy & wife and Bridget Hodgins (for Victoria) [P S] Michael Lawler sailed in “ <i>Monsoon</i> ” from Birkenhead 28 th April 1854		
	55/07562	1855 07 13	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 07 12	At top: “Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands” Letter recommending Troopers attached to Crown Lands Department District of Port Curtis be allowed rations in addition to their ordinary rates of pay & allowances from 1 st April 1854 [No 55/254] Para 2: In adjoining new District of Leichhardt, Troopers allowed rations & men attached to Capt O’Connell’s Establishment have been in habit of drawing rations with Constabulary at Port Curtis - as there does not seem to have been special authority, this application is made Also at top: 55/3222 – July 14” & Notes in margin Refer to Inspector General of Police [crossed out] Blank cover – noted Approved	A2.32	617
				“W E” “C D R” “W D”	1855 07 14 1855 07 17 1855 07 21	Auditor General , Chief Commissioner “H W B” “O M”		
	55/07692	1855 07 16	Hon CS	Attorney General’s Office, Sydney J H Plunkett, Attorney General W M Manning, Solicitor General	1855 07 13	At top: “Attorney General & Solicitor General Reporting on your Minute under B C on Petition of “Godfrey O’Rourke”: opinion that Police Magistrate not legally warranted in withholding from Mr O’Rourke Certificate granted to him by Licensing Bench – he is entitled to receive his License notwithstanding circumstances proved upon Magisterial Inquiry touching death of Mrs O’Rourke [No 55/135] & Notes in margin Petition herewith returned Let purport of opinion be forwarded to Police Magistrate Ipswich requesting he will conform to direction of Law Officers of the Crown & inform Petitioner Police Magistrate Ipswich, Godfrey O’Rourke	A2.32	618 – 619
				“C D R”	1855 07 16~ 1855 07 19			
	55/07248	1855 07 06	His Ex Sir William Thomas Denison, Governor General	Ipswich Godfrey O’Rourke	1855 06 19	At top: “G O’Rourke” Petition of Godfrey O’Rourke of Ipswich Moreton Bay: holds Publicans License for House in East Street, Ipswich under sign “The Cottage of Content” – at <i>General Annual Meeting</i> [obscured] of Justices of the Peace for granting Publicans Licenses held Ipswich, Tuesday 17 th April last, Petitioner applied for renewal of his License from 1 st July next to 1 st July 1856 – at meeting of Justices of the Peace (4 in number) unanimously directed Certificate be issued, authorising Treasurer to grant Petitioner a General Publicans License up to 1 st July 1856 On morning of 18 th April last, Petitioner’s wife died suddenly, supposedly under attack of delirium tremens – some time after this heavy affliction before Petitioner applied at Police Office to Clerk of Petty Sessions for his Certificate & was informed Police Magistrate would not deliver it to him Petitioner has tried every method to obtain his Certificate in expectation Police Magistrate Colonel Charles George Gray would alter his mind to no avail – aware he could obtain from Supreme Court a Writ of Mandamus calling on Police Magistrate to show cause why he withholds document	A2.32	[620] – [621] [pages not numbered]

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				"W D"	1855 07 05	<p>which Bench of Magistrates ordered to be issued to Petitioner 17th April last Aware of expense of that proceeding & great delay attending it - prefers to seek justice from His Excellency: points out heavy pecuniary loss he will sustain by Police Magistrate illegally detaining his Certificate – license will expire 30th June inst, will be compelled to close his House – draws attention to annexed Certificate showing character he has borne in this & Northern Districts for last 12 years – seeks His Excellency's consideration in hope he will institute enquiries leading to justice being afforded him & by ordering License for year ending 1 July 1856 being granted by Treasurer Also at top: "Letter in Ledger – 5th July 1855" & Notes in margin Let enquiry be made – do not think Police Magistrate has any power to withhold the Certificate [Ref 55/07692]</p> <p>[Certificate] We the undersigned Justices of the Peace and Graziers & Residents in District of Ipswich & Northern Districts do hereby certify we are well acquainted with Petitioner Godfrey O'Rourke & that he is not only a person of good fame & reputation but also of irreproachable character - Arthur H McArthur JP / Goomburra Station, Warwick F A Forbes / Merchant & Stockholder, Ipswich Henry Challinor [also spelt Chalinor] / Surgeon, Ipswich Walter Gray / Merchant & Stockholder, Ipswich George Thorn / Merchant & Stockholder, Ipswich Christopher Gorry / Saddler & Storekeeper, Ipswich William Hendren / Storekeeper, Ipswich James Willis / Superintendent, Ipswich John Pettigrew [part obscured] / Storekeeper, Ipswich T B Platt / Storekeeper, Ipswich Hendy M Cockburn / Merchant, Ipswich William Kent junr / Grazier, Stockhold [as it is], Fassifern near Ipswich John James Hartley / Store keeper, Ipswich Samuel Southerden / Store keeper, Ipswich Daniel Conner [as it is – also spelt Connor] / Grazier of Firm of Fitz & Conner, Dawson [see also Fitz & Connor] E Rens / Grazier, Stockholder, Dawson J C Foote / Storekeeper, Ipswich Thomas H Jones / Storekeeper, Ipswich Thomas Gray / Yeoman W McGinty / Roman Catholic Clergyman, Ipswich F North / Grazier & Stockholder, Freeholder, Ipswich John Smith / Grazier & Stockholder, Freeholder, Ipswich William Turner / Grazier, Freeholder, Ipswich Thomas Coutts / Grazier & Stockholder, Darling Downs</p>		[622] [page not numbered]
	55/07702	1855 07 16	Hon CS	Civil Crown Solicitor's Office, Sydney W W Billyard, Civil Crown Solicitor	1855 07 13	<p>At top: "Civil Crown Solicitor" Letter re his interviews with A C Gregory & Captain Freemantle [as it is – see also Freemantle] for purpose of drawing up necessary Contracts for completing arrangements for North Australian Expedition (ref CS letter 27th ult No 481) - has drawn Charter Party for each of the 2 vessels to be engaged in Expedition of which they, as well as Solicitor General, have approved & they have been duly executed in duplicate by proper parties</p>	A2.32	623 – 624

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				Stephen G Fremantle E M Sayers	1855 07 04~	<p>[No 55/135] & Note in margin 55/06003 Capt Freemantle [as it is] respecting engagement of vessels [see A2.31, p 677/676 +] - See 55/07709</p> <p>"Copy" [record abbreviated here ... entire copy of Charter Party is filmed] This Charter Party indented made and concluded this fourth day of July 1855 Between Edwin Mawney Sayers of Sydney Owner of Barque "Monarch" of burthen per Register 315 tons now lying in harbour of Port Jackson ... of the one part and Stephen Grenville Fremantle at present of Sydney aforesaid Captain of Her Majesty's Ship "Juno" and Senior Naval Officer of the Australasian Station ... of the other part Whereas Her Majesty's Imperial Government have directed an expedition to explore interior of Australia from its Northern Shores & ... Stephen Grenville Fremantle instructed to make necessary arrangements & accordingly ... hired Vessel "Monarch" And whereas Augustus Charles Gregory ... appointed to command the Expedition, this Indenture witnesseth that Barque or Vessel "Monarch" shall on or before fifteenth day of July inst, receive on board from alongside in harbour of Port Jackson 15 tons of pressed Hay, 9 tons of Bran & 5 tons of Corn [Margin: Signed E M Sayers] & ... quantity of lawful goods not exceeding 5 tons & likewise 3 Cabin & 6 Steerage Passengers as ... Augustus Charles Gregory or Commander for the time being of expedition ... shall think proper & shall thereupon or soon after fifteenth day of July inst as wind & weather shall permit proceed direct to Brisbane Moreton Bay ... shall there receive on board from alongside wharf 50 horses 200 sheep & such other lawful goods not exceeding 5 tons as Augustus Charles Gregory ... shall think proper to put on board & shall at such time as Augustus Charles Gregory ... shall appoint & wind & weather shall permit cause Vessel to be towed in the fairway for sea from Brisbane ... by a steam vessel p 626: & shall proceed to Victoria River on North Coast of Australia not being beyond Blunder Bay in said River as ... Augustus Charles Gregory ... shall or may direct & shall there at expense of Owner debark all such horses, sheep, goods & passengers & deliver same from vessel to shore... declared & agreed that Edwin Mawney Sayers shall at his own expense & previously to departure of vessel from Sydney erect & fit up in substantial manner & under inspection & subject to approval of ... Augustus Charles Gregory ... 50 stalls for horses & suitable pens for sheep to be shipped therein, stalls to be erected between decks & to contain not less than 2 feet 3 inches space ... for each of the horses Further that Edwin Mawney Sayers or Master of vessel shall give every assistance with his boats & crew in loading & discharging at Charterers risk as Augustus Charles Gregory ... may require in prosecuting Expedition & shall provide at Sydney at least 60 tons Imperial Measure of water for sole use of passengers & stock to be distributed ... as & when Augustus Charles Gregory ... may require & shall also provide sufficient supply of provisions of good quality for passengers & such extra provisions wines ales spirits comforts & necessaries as are usually supplied to Cabin Passengers Agreed that ... security of navigation & furtherance of general object of Expedition the several vessels to be engaged shall ... keep company</p>		625 – 628

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						<p>together throughout passage & act in concert together & that Barque "Monarch" shall be under direction of Augustus Charles Gregory p 627: ... & that Master thereof shall act ... under his directions & shall do & perform all such things as may be required in furtherance of general objects of Expedition</p> <p>Agreed that freighter shall pay for use & hire of vessel & matters aforesaid the sum of £2250 in manner following videlicet</p> <p>one third part to be paid in Sydney on production to Charterer or Senior Naval Officer of Australasian Station of satisfactory Certificates or Vouchers signed by Augustus Charles Gregory ... of due fulfilment by Owner of his Contract up to period of vessel leaving Moreton Bay & remaining two third parts to be paid in London on production to Accountant General of the Navy of satisfactory Certificates or Vouchers of due performance & completion of this Contract</p> <p>Further agreed there shall be no unnecessary or unreasonable delay by ... Charterer in despatching vessel from Sydney after she shall be ready for sea nor during her stay at Brisbane or on voyage to Victoria River & that Charterer shall afford Owner all reasonable facilities for carrying out his Contract ... & that lay days after 15th day of July instant at Sydney & at any other ports at which vessel may touch shall not exceed 60 & for each day vessel may be detained on account of Charterer beyond that period Owner shall be entitled to receive in addition to sum of £2250 a further £15 a day</p> <p>Also agreed that in case vessel shall be wrecked or otherwise rendered unfit for completion of this Contract after leaving Moreton Bay, no portion of sum agreed to be paid for use & hire thereof or for maintenance & support p 628: of passengers shall be payable but whole shall be absolutely forfeited except portion payable on completion of voyage to Moreton Bay</p> <p>Agreed that vessel shall be by the Owner kept staunch & strong & well provided with Officers men & mariners sufficient to navigate her & with all manner of rigging tackle boats cabin & steerage fittings cooking apparatus provisions & appurtenances & that same respectively shall before leaving Sydney be subject to inspection and approval by Charterer</p> <p>As witness the hands of the parties the day and year first above written –</p> <p>Signed by the said Stephen Grenville) (Signed) Stephen G Fremantle Fremantle in the presence of) (Signed) W W Billyard Civil Crown Solicitor Sydney (Signed) W K Macnish Clerk to the Civil Crown Solicitor</p> <p>Signed by the said Edwin Mawney Sayers) in the presence of) (Signed) E M Sayers (Signed) W W Billyard (Signed) W K Macnish & Note in margin – For North Australian Expedition papers – "M F"</p>		
	55/07709	1855 07 17	Hon CS	Sydney A C Gregory	1855 07 17	<p>At top: "A C Gregory"</p> <p>Letter in reply to CS communication "of yesterday" requesting information re Instructions to Master of smaller vessel which is to cooperate with North Australian Expedition & nature of Agreement under which he is to act: transmits copy of Charter Party providing that vessel to be under control of Commander of Expedition by whom written instructions will from time to</p>	A2.32	629

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	55/07709 [crossed out]			<p>"M F"</p> <p>"C D R"</p> <p>Stephen G Fremantle George Thornton</p>	<p>1855 07 17~</p> <p>1855 07 17~</p> <p>1855 07 18~</p> <p>1855 07 18~</p> <p>1855 07 19~</p> <p>1855 04 04~</p>	<p>time be given to Master of vessel for guidance & Notes in margin N A E / 55 Asked for by Governor General Returned Nothing necessary I believe Query whether Charter Party be added to papers being copied for Legislative Council I think not</p> <p><i>[record abbreviated here ... entire copy of Charter Party is filmed]</i> This Charter Party indented made & concluded this 4th day of July 1855 between George Thornton of Sydney ... Owner of Schooner or Vessel "Tom Tough" burthen per Register of 123 tons now lying in Harbour of Port Jackson ... of the one part <u>and</u> Stephen Grenville Freeman [as it is – see also Fremantle] at present of Sydney aforesaid Captain of Her Majesty's Ship "Juno" & Senior Naval Officer of Australasian Station ... of other part Whereas Her Majesty's Imperial Government have directed expedition to explore interior of Australia from its Northern p 631: Shores & ... Stephen Grenville Freemantle [as it is] ... instructed to make necessary arrangements & hath ... hired Vessel "Tom Tough" And it has been agreed between parties that vessel shall be hired & employed for expedition during continuance of the same subject, nevertheless to proviso hereinafter contained for putting an end to this Agreement before termination of expedition And whereas Augustus Charles Gregory appointed to Command expedition [part obscured] now this Indenture witnesseth it is agreed vessel "Tom Tough" being made ready shall be hired by Charterer for purposes & during continuance of expedition subject to sooner determination of this Agreement & shall on or before 15th day of July now receive on board from alongside in Port Jackson such passengers & quantity of lawful goods p 632: as vessel can safely stow & as Augustus Charles Gregory shall think proper to put on board & shall thereupon or so soon after 15th day of July inst ... & as wind & weather shall permit proceed to Moreton Bay ... & there remain during pleasure of Augustus Charles Gregory ... & shall thence proceed under direction of Augustus Charles Gregory to the Victoria River & such other place or places on Northern Coast of Australia as Commander may direct ... & shall there remain subject to instructions & orders of Augustus Charles Gregory or shall proceed to such other place or places & p 633: take on board & convey such passengers goods & equipments as Augustus Charles Gregory ... may direct & shall debark all passengers & deliver all Goods from vessel to shore at such place & places as they may be respectively destined for & according to instructions of Augustus Charles Gregory & it is declared that ... George Thornton or Master of vessel ... shall give every assistance with his Boats & Crew in landing & discharging at Charterers risk & otherwise as Augustus Charles Gregory ... may require ... & Owner or Master shall take all reasonable precautions for preservation & safekeeping of stores & cargo placed on board vessel by or for Augustus Charles Gregory, & it is agreed that for mutual p 634: security of navigation & furtherance of general objects of expedition the several vessels to be engaged shall act in concert together & that</p>		630 – 638

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						<p>Schooner "Tom Tough" shall be under direction of ... Augustus Charles Gregory & that Master shall act ... in accordance with his directions & shall do & perform all such things as by him may be required And ... George Thornton shall also provide sufficient supply of water & provisions of good quality for passengers on board & such extra provisions wines & spirits comforts & necessaries for Cabin passengers & it is agreed that Charterer shall pay for use & hire of vessel & the matters aforesaid the sum of two hundred pounds per calendar month to be computed from 2nd day of July now instant, and in</p> <p>p 635: like proportion for any part of a month said sum to be in full for all freight, primage, pilotage & port charges & to be paid at termination of this Contract on production to Charterer of satisfactory Certificate by ... Augustus Charles Gregory.... of due performance by Owner of his part of this Contract & further Charterer shall pay to Owner ... seven shillings for each Cabin Passenger & ... five shillings for each steerage passenger for every day they shall respectively be on board & supported at expense of vessel on production of Certificate from Officer in command of the number of such days respectively & after due performance of such portion of this Contract provided that in as much as circumstances may arise during expedition to render it unnecessary ... to retain services of ...</p> <p>p 636: Schooner it shall be lawful for ... Augustus Charles Gregory ... to put an end to this Agreement by giving Notice in writing to Master ... of vessel that same shall not be required after such period ... as shall be named in Notice & from ... giving such Notice ... this Agreement shall be at an end & Charterer liable only to payment in addition to such sum as may be due in respect of hire of vessel of such sum as would accrue had same vessel continued to be employed for such time as may .. elapse (exclusive of time lost by means of accident) from period of such Notice ... until arrival of Schooner in Sydney, said period of return from any part of Australia not to exceed six weeks, provided also that in case</p> <p>p 637: Schooner shall be wrecked or otherwise rendered unfit for service this Agreement shall from date thereof be deemed at an end ...& agreed that Schooner shall be by Owner in every respect equipped fitted & provisioned for period of at least 2 years & that she be kept staunch & strong & provided with 9 seamen, inclusive of Master, capable of navigating & properly working vessel, & that same shall be adequately armed & furnished with all manner of rigging tackle anchors boats cabin & steerage fitting cooking apparatus & appurtenances & that ... before leaving Sydney be subject to inspection & approval by Charterer & ... persons he shall appoint, & Owner or Master of Schooner shall not take or receive on board passengers, stores or cargo other than such as may be for service of expedition & use of</p> <p>p 638: vessel & crew & said Charterer shall approve As witness hands of parties the day & year first above written Signed by the _____) Stephen G Fremantle said Stephen Grenville Fremantle [corrected]) in the presence of William W Billyard, Civil Crown Solicitor, Sydney William K Macnish, Clerk to the Civil Crown Solicitor</p> <p>Signed by the said) George Thornton George Thornton) in the presence of _____</p>		

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						William W Billyard - William K Macnish We the undersigned Clerks to William Whaley Billyard certify the foregoing to be a true Copy of the original Charter Party having examined it therewith this 5 th day of July 1855 Signed: Henry J Brown , J S Jones "A true copy – A C Gregory"		
	55/07721			"W E"	1855 08 17	Note Auditor General requested to state most convenient way of paying amount – blank cover – noted – to be returned Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 594-AU*18	A2.32	639
				"J S"	1855 08 27	Account prepared & forwarded to Chief Constable Dolan for signature – when returned will be placed in Warrant for payment – Certificate of Criminal Crown Solicitor enclosed in Inspector General's letter has been kept for purpose of being placed with account – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office		
					1855 08 28~			
					1855 07 29~	Note W V		640
					1855 08 04~	Inform Inspector General in accordance with Auditor General's report Inspector General		
	55/07721	1855 07 17	Hon CS	Office of Inspector General of Police, Sydney W C Mayne, Inspector General of Police	1855 07 16	At top: "Inspector General of Police" Transmitting letter [not filmed here] from Chief Constable Drayton forwarding statement of expenses incurred by him in travelling to & attending at Circuit Court Brisbane as witness on 2 occasions – appends Certificate of such attendance & of distance travelled, procured from Criminal Crown Solicitor - in submitting case for consideration recommends under circumstances Mr Dolan be allowed mileage & daily rate (while in attendance on Court) <u>Margin</u> 190 miles at 6d per mile - £4-15-0 4 days allowance at 2/6 - £ 10-0 £ 5- 5-0 established by Regulations of 1 st January 1855 chargeable on funds available to meet such expenses <u>Margin</u> : Constables residing more than 5 miles from town where Court is held: per mile 6d, each days allowances 2/6 [No 55/151] & Notes in margin Auditor General – blank cover		641 – 643
				"W E"	1855 07 17 1855 07 18~	Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 514 –JY*18		
				"J S"	1855 07 31	Allowance for mileage at rate of 6d per mile under Regulations of 1 st January 1855 might be authorised as in former cases & charged on Schedule A Part I – appears from account received in this Office from Captain Wickham, that allowance of 2/6 per diem for attendance at Court has already been paid to Dolan – blank cover		
					1855 08 01 1855 08 03~	Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Mileage may perhaps be authorised & Inspector General of Police informed of payment already made for attendance of Chief Constable at the Court		
				"C D R"	1855 08 03~	Approved "H W B"		

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	55/07721					<p>At top: "55/3216" [crossed out] Expenses incurred by Edward Dolan Chief Constable of Drayton in going to & attending Circuit Court at Brisbane on 15th day of May 1854 as witness in case of murder: May 12th at Gatten [as it is – see also Gatton] on night £0-5-0 May 13th at Biggses Camp [as it is – see also Bigges] & Ipswich £0-10-0 May 14th Ipswich to Brisbane £0-10-0 May 15th At Brisbane £0-9-0 May 16th At Brisbane £0-9-0 May 17th at Brisbane £0-9-0 May 18th Brisbane to Biggses Camp £0-10-0 May 9th [as it is – 19th] Biggses Camp to Drayton <u>£0-7-0</u> TOTAL AMOUNT: £3-9-0</p> <p>Expenses incurred by Edward Dolan Chief Constable of Drayton in going to & attending Circuit Court at Brisbane on 20th day of November 1854 as witness in case of robbery: November 17th at Gatten [as it is] £0-5-0 November 18th at Biggses Camp & Ipswich £0-10-0 November 19th Ipswich to Brisbane £0-9-0 November 20th At Brisbane £0-9-0 November 21st Brisbane & Ipswich £0-9-0 November 22nd Ipswich to Gatten £0-10-0 November 23rd Gatten to Drayton <u>£0-5-0</u> TOTAL AMOUNT: £2-17-0</p> <p>Believe above to be at as low a rate as any man can travel at on roads between here and Brisbane – Edward Dolan, Chief Constable</p>		644
	55/07773	1855 07 17	Hon CS	Drayton William Handcock, Contractor, Drayton	1855 07 01	<p>At top: "William Handcock" Letter informing in consequence of great rise in price of flour is obliged to tender his resignation at end of 3 months from this date his Contract for supply of provisions for Public Service Also at top: "Rec'd 17" & Notes in margin W V For approval being in terms of Contract – fresh Tenders to be called for May be approved - to be referred to Auditor General Notice Auditor General – blank cover – to be returned Noted Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 528-JY*25 Noted & returned – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office & Notes re above W V – "Nothing further required"</p>	A2.32	645 – 646
				"C D R"	1855 07 18~ 1855 07 18~ 1855 07 19~ 1855 07 23~			
				"W E"	1855 07 24 1855 07 25~			
				"J S"	1855 07 26 1855 07 28~ ,			
					1855 08 03~			
						<p>[Cover] O H M S / 1698 / To / The Honble/ The Colonial Secretary/ Sydney Registered / 105 postmarked: Sydney-NEW S. WALES / A-JY*7-1855 [Small square cut from letter – to remove postage stamp?]</p>		647

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	55/07785	1855 07 17	Hon CS	Maryborough Edmund B Uhr	1855 06 26	At top: "E B Uhr" Letter giving notice of intention to abandon his Contract for supplying Colonial Service in this District at expiry of 3 months from 1 st July next – reason in consequence of high price of all kinds of provisions – shall again Tender for supplying same service & Notes in margin W V	A2.32	648
				"C D R"	1855 07 18~ 1855 07 18~ 1855 07 19~ 1855 07 23~	For approval being in terms of Contract – fresh Tenders to be called for Approved – information to be given to Auditor General Notice		
				"J S"	1855 07 31	Noted in Contract Book – blank cover		
				"W E"	1855 07 26 1855 07 27~	Notes re above Auditor General – blank cover – to be returned Noted		649
				"J S"	1855 07 31 1855 08 01 1855 08 03~	Stamp: AUDIT OFFICE-NEW S.WALES / No 537-JY*27 Noted & returned – blank cover Returned Colonial Secretary's Office W V – "Nothing further required"		
	55/07807	1855 07 19	Hon CS	H M Gaol Brisbane J C Wickham, Visiting Justice	1855 07 12	At top: "Visiting Justice of H M Gaol Brisbane" Forwarding Certificate signed by 2 qualified Medical Practitioners as to unsound state of mind of prisoner [Margin: Joseph Ward Davis] together with copy of Warrant of Commitment in his case – requests necessary authority for Joseph Ward Davis's removal to Lunatic Asylum at Tarban Creek – his family now residing in Brisbane unable to contribute to his support (ref Instructions dated CS Office Sydney 12 March 1850 for Guidance of Visiting Justices of Gaols) & Notes in margin	A2.32	650
					1855 07 19~	M F Immediate		
					1855 07 19~	Medical Certificate should have stated Davis to be <u>insane</u> not of unsound mind – papers are otherwise regular – Warrant herewith		
					1855 07 23~ 1855 07 23~	Returned Visiting Justice		
				W Hobbs K Cannan	1855 07 13~	[Certificate – affixed on top of document at p 652] We the undersigned being legally qualified Medical Practitioners certify we have examined Joseph Ward Davis of Brisbane Suburbs, Clerk, that we find him to be of unsound mind, & a fit & proper subject for reception into Lunatic Asylum; further certify in our opinion said Joseph Ward Davis would benefit by treatment in such Asylum "Sworn before me this 13 th day of July 1855 – J C Wickham JP"		651
					1855 07 06~	"Copy" [PRINTED FORM] B.NO.4 Commitment, <u>for want</u> of Sureties, by the Justice NEW SOUTH WALES, TO WIT: By me, William Augustine Duncan, Justice of the Peace, To Mr Sneyd, Chief Constable in Police Force Brisbane ... New South		652 – 653

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						Wales ... & to all other Constables ... and to all other Peace Officers ...and to Keeper of Common Gaol at Brisbane WHEREAS Robert Scott of Brisbane ... did on 2 nd July 1855 make information & complaint on oath before William Augustine Duncan, Justice of the Peace ... Brisbane that Joseph Ward Davis of Brisbane Suburbs did on 2 nd July 1855 at Brisbane Suburbs most violently & maliciously strike at said Robert Scott, and whereas Joseph Ward Davis was this day brought before me William Augustine Duncan Justice of the Peace at Gaol in Brisbane to answer said complaint, & having ordered & adjudged ... said Joseph Ward Davis shall enter into his own recognizance in sum of £40 with 2 sufficient sureties in sum of £20 to keep the peace ... towards said Robert Scott for term of 6 calendar months & ... as Joseph Ward Davis has refused to enter into recognizance & to find such sureties ... commands Samuel Sneyd Chief Constable ... to convey Joseph Ward Davis to Common Gaol Brisbane, to deliver him to Keeper, together with this Warrant ... & command Keeper to receive Joseph Ward Davis into custody, & safely keep for 6 calendar months, unless he in meantime enter into such recognizance with such sureties ... to keep the peace in manner & for term above mentioned "Given under my hand & seal this 6 th day of July 1855 at Brisbane – W A Duncan, Justice of the Peace" "L S" [in place of seal]		
	55/07812	1855 07 18		Lunatic Asylum, Tarban Creek N Heffernan MB, Surgeon Xl th Reg, R M O, President; Henry G Douglass MD & Donald M MacEwan MD - Members "M F" "C D R"	1855 07 16 1855 07 18~ 1855 07 19~ 1855 07 21~ 1855 07 21~	[Discharge] Having examined individual named in margin: James Dingle / Free – a Pay Patient admitted by Hon Colonial Secretary's Ticket, 1 st December 1854, has been admitted into Asylum labouring under insanity; as well as the several persons to whose care he has been entrusted during his residence therein – We are of opinion that he is no longer insane or a dangerous idiot & that he may be suffered to go at large with safety & Notes in margin M F Dingle may I presume be set at liberty Yes Dr Greenup	A2.32	654
	54/08122	1854 09 14	Hon CS	Supreme Court Office D B Hutchinson for the Prothonotary "M F" "C A F"	1854 09 13 1854 09 14~ 1854 09 14~ 1854 09 14~ 1854 09 16~ 1854 09 19	At top: "Prothonotary" Enclosing Medical Certificate of Lunacy of James Dingle, also Petition from brother of lunatic seeking his admission into Lunatic Asylum, received this day under cover from Hon Captain Hope requesting Judge's sanction might be procured for the same, & that the several documents are forwarded to you for purpose of being laid before Governor General for approval [Margin: Documents enclosed: Medical Certificate, Certificate of Louis Hope, Petition of H Dingle & Judge's sanction of same – <i>see following documents</i>] [No 54/126] & Notes in margin M F See also letter from Mr Hope enclosed This is regular – there is a Certificate from Mr Hope that Dingle will only be able to pay about twelve months expenses in Lunatic Asylum Approved Mr Hope, Dr O'Brian [also spelt O'Brien] [Ref 55/07812]	A2.32	655 – 657

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			William Vallack	Darlinghurst J H Beverley	1854 11 02	Letter re person referred to in accompanying Ticket was received by him from Wide Bay but Bench of Magistrates omitted to send Bond for his maintenance at Asylum, & he has in consequence been returned here, see letter enclosed – does not know whether he can get one of our usual Warrants in place of that received with lunatic, & which can again be exchanged should Bench send Bond - to oblige by ascertaining this point as man having been only certified for by 2 medical men our Doctor here has nothing to do with him & he ought to be in Tarban Creek Asylum		658 – 659
	54/08097	1854 09 13	Hon CS	Brisbane Louis Hope	1854 09 09 1854 09 13~ 1854 09 13~	At top: "Louis Hope" "Register" Letter requesting Petition forwarded this day to Prothonotary of Supreme Court in order to obtain Judge's sanction may, should it obtain such sanction, be laid before His Excellency at early as possible – Petition is from Henry Dingle on behalf of his brother James Dingle, an overseer in his employment, who has lately become of unsound mind Further requests should petition be granted, order for transmission of insane person may be forwarded to Hugh Bell MD at the Hospital Brisbane [Cover] The Honble / The Colonial Secretary / Sydney postmarked: SYDNEY-NEW S.WALES / SR*12 & Notes re above Has Petition been received here? Apparently not [Ref 54/08122]	A2.32	660 – 661 662
	54/08122 54/08122 54/08122		His Ex Sir Charles Augustus Fitzroy, Governor in Chief	North Brisbane Hugh Bell MD W Hobbs, Surgeon H Dingle R Therry	1854 09 05 [no date] 1854 09 13~	"A" We undersigned being legally qualified medical practitioners certify we have examined James Dingle, by trade a shepherd on Captain Hope's Station, that we find him to be of unsound mind, & fit & proper person for reception into Lunatic Asylum, & we further certify that in our opinion, said James Dingle would be benefited by treatment in such Asylum Petition of Henry Dingle brother of James Dingle who is of unsound mind : said James Dingle examined & found to be of unsound mind & as will appear by annexed Certificate - Petitioner desirous of procuring his admission into Lunatic Asylum in order he may have medical care & attendance most likely to ensure his eventual recovery - Petitioner prays His Excellency will admit that James Dingle may be received into such Lunatic Asylum as His Excellency thinks fit to appoint In Supreme Court of New South Wales: In the matter of alleged lunacy of James Dingle On reading Certificate annexed marked "A" signed by Hugh Bell MD & W Hobbs, Medical Practitioners qualified according to Act, & on reading Petition of Henry Dingle brother of James Dingle, sanctions & approves of Application contained therein "Given under my hand this 13 th day of September 1854"	A2.32	663 664 665
	55/03224	1855 04 05	Hon CS	Revenue Branch, Colonial Treasury, Sydney Francis L S Merewether	1855 04 03	At top: "Colonial Treasurer" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 28 ult No 245 forwarding letter from Surveyor General re error in area of Lot 17 of Sale held Brisbane on 16 th January last & requesting to be furnished with Report of Sale & informed of amount returnable to Mr Windmell purchaser of Lot 17	A2.32	666 – 668

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	55/03224			"C D R" "W D" "M F"	1855 04 12~ 1855 04 05~ 1855 04 12 1855 04 11~ 1855 04 18 1855 06 13~ 1855 06 15~ 1855 06 19 1855 06 13	[also spelt Windmill]: informs Report of Sale forwarded "to you" on 28 th ult – amount due to Mr Windmill £1-11-7 being at rate of £3-1-0 per acre, on 2 roods & 3 perches which is extent erroneously charged on Lot in question [No 146] Also at top: "55/07857" & Notes in margin 55/02546 Auditor General to be informed & enclosed Deed to be cancelled M F Deed may be cancelled Cancelled accordingly this 15 th day of April 1855 Concludes Auditor may now be instructed to prepare Warrant for return to Mr Windmill [as it is] of £1-11-7 – Grant with correct description to be prepared - will be necessary in first place that His Excellency authorise cancellation of enclosed Deed which has been signed but not yet recorded Auditor General, Colonial Treasurer, Surveyor General "E O S" Notes re above Amended description alluded to by Surveyor General in 55/02546 does not appear to be with the papers, perhaps copy may be applied for Yes Surveyor General "End of month" [Ref 55/07857] Note Accompanying Deed in favour of Charles Windmill of 5a 2r 12p in County of Stanley Parish of South Brisbane Western Suburban Allotment No 53 Lot 17 having been duly cancelled in accordance with instructions, is now returned to Records for depositing in Iron Chest - papers in case 55/03224 are retained in Deeds Branch in order to preparation of new Deed		669 670
	55/02546	1855 03 19	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell "M F" "C D R" "W D"	1855 03 15 1855 03 21~ 1855 03 21~ 1855 03 23~ 1855 03 23 1855 03 28	At top: "Surveyor General" Enclosing copy letter from Licensed Surveyor Warner dated 6 March 1855 explaining error in area of Western Suburban Allotment No 53 Parish of South Brisbane, purchased by Charles Windmill as Lot 17 of Sale of Land held Brisbane 16 January last: as Mr Warner has endeavoured to arrange with purchaser without success, submits His Excellency authorise repayment of excess of purchase money (of the 2 roods & 3 perches) to Mr Windmill & issue Deed of Grant for true area, according to amended Description enclosed [not filmed here] [No 55/201] & Notes in margin Stamp: TREASURY-NEW SOUTH WALES / No 1210-MR 29 1855 M F Report of Sale not yet received in this case – Colonial Treasurer may be requested to furnish it in order that Deed of Grant may be prepared with proper Description, & Auditor General instructed to prepare Warrant for return to Mr Windmill of amount paid by him for excess 2r 3pchs Approved Acting Colonial Treasurer [Ref 55/03224] "H H"	A2.32	671 – 672

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						[Description] 18 <u>Stanley</u> 5a 2r 8 p - Parish of South Brisbane Western Suburban Allotment No 54 [description follows - reference to Allotment No 53, Allotment No 52 & Allotment No 55] Upset price: £2-10 per acre & Note in margin – Alderson? / Buchanan		
	55/07857	1855 07 19	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell	1855 07 16	At top: Surveyor General" Letter in reply to CS letter 19 th ult [Margin: 55/03224] requesting amended Description of Allotment purchased by Charles Windmill as Lot 17 of Sale of Land held Brisbane 16 th January last be forwarded for insertion in new Deed of Grant about to be issued, copy thereof purported to have been forwarded in "my letter of 15 th March 1855 No 55/201 not having been received" - encloses duplicate copy of Description [No 55/571] & Notes in margin M F Deed may now be issued – see 55/03224 Approved W M? Mr M? Cancelled Deed herewith for deposit in Iron Chest Cancelled Deed deposited "H H" Also at top: "New Deed of Lot 17 executed 26 th July 1855" "Despatched 2 nd August 1855"	A2.32	678 – 679
	55/07857			"M F" "C D R"	1855 07 20~ 1855 07 21~ 1855 07 21~ 1855 07 23~ 1855 08 08	At top: "Charles Windmill" <u>Enclosure in Surveyor General's letter to Colonial Secretary No 55/571 of 16 July 1855</u> <u>Description</u> 5a 0r 9p Five acres and nine perches County of Stanley, Parish of South Brisbane Western Suburban Allotment No 53 [description here in detail – mentions Allotment No 50, Allotment No 52] & Note in margin: £20-12-5		680
	55/07966				1855 07 31~	Notes Under report of Select Committee of Legislative Council in Session of 1851, on Leading Thoroughfares of the Colony, following sums were allotted to Moreton Bay District: For repair of the Road From Ipswich to the Gap £1500 From Ipswich to Spicers Peak [also spelt Spicer's Peak] £315 Road from Ipswich to the Gap is Main Leading Thoroughfare in Moreton Bay District & £25 a mile allowed for its repair – this is road mentioned in last part of Mr Hood's letter as "the Northern one by the Drayton Pass" Road from Ipswich to Spicers Peak considered to be a Subordinate Thoroughfare & £7 a mile allowed for its repair - this is road mentioned in first part of Mr Hood's letter as "from Warwick to Ipswich" - & £350 allowed annually for its repair has by the mutual arrangement of the two Benches been issued as follows: To the Ipswich Bench £105 - To the Warwick Bench £210 = £315 &	A2.32	681 – 683

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	55/07966	1855 07 23	Hon CS	"M F" Sydney J H Hood	1855 08 04~ 1855 07 18	Note [obscured in part] ... the present year ...repair~ of the road left~ to the Surveyor At top: "J H Hood" Letter re road from Warwick to Ipswich: has never been proclaimed a Main Thoroughfare, consequently only entitled to annual outlay for repairs of one third of sum allowed for road over Main Range by Drayton – mentions overland mail from Sydney to Moreton Bay goes by Warwick Road & all the wool from Northern parts of New England & from southern portion of Darling Downs is conveyed to Port by this line, which is 50 miles shorter than Northern one by Drayton Pass & Notes in margin What are circumstances with these 2 roads & Notes re above Under circumstances out of his power to appropriate for road more than amount hitherto allowed – will look into case when visits Moreton Bay Mr Hood		684 – 685
	55/07966		Government Resident Moreton Bay	Colonial Secretary's Office Sydney	1855 08 04 1855 08 24 1855 03 21	[PRINTED EXTRACT] Running Title: INSTRUCTIONS TO COLONIAL ARCHITECT AND ROAD SURVEYORS [p 6 only] No 5 <u>THE COLONIAL SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT RESIDENT AT MORETON BAY</u> Directed by Governor General to inform that, as general rule, funds voted for repairs of roads in present year, will be expended under direction of Surveyor of Roads, subject to supervision of Colonial Architect in this part of Colony; in Moreton Bay District, to such instructions as, upon his report, may be issued to you Para 2: Mr Vigors, Surveyor Moreton Bay District, apprised – requests he adopt measures without delay, for repairs of roads etc, for which money has been provided: £3500, exclusive of £600 voted for Bridge over Stanley Creek; & roads on which it is to be laid out are those from Brisbane to Ipswich & Ipswich to the Gap - main leading thoroughfares, & Ipswich to Spicer's Creek - leading thoroughfare subordinate to main leading thoroughfares Para 4 [as it is – no Para 3]: Encloses copy of instructions drawn by Colonial Architect for guidance of Road Surveyors in this part of Colony & approved by Governor General [not filmed with extract - Margin: see enclosure to Colonial Architect's letter 2 July 1855] – may be modified if not found to work satisfactorily Instructions will be useful to you in preparing such, as it may appear to you necessary to furnish to Mr Vigors with respect to works which undertaken & conducted under his superintendence, & to course to be followed by him in making his reports & corresponding with you <u>Advances will be made from time to time, on application to Auditor General,</u> of sums necessary to settle accounts to be rendered through Surveyor for work performed - these accounts properly supported by Vouchers to be forwarded to Audit Office For works & wages to be paid by Surveyor on spot, he will have to receive advances from you, to be adjusted by usual Accounts & Vouchers		686

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						<p>Para 5: Balances unexpended of amount appropriated for roads before mentioned in former years, after allowing for Contracts already entered into, will be added to amount voted for present, when ascertained - encloses copy letter already addressed to Benches or Road Trusts to this effect [not filmed with extract] with respect to work performing under these Contracts, Road Surveyor will afford to gentlemen under whose directions they may have been undertaken, the same assistance until their completion</p> <p>Para 6: Also encloses copy of Circular [not filmed with extract] addressed to Benches beyond Settled Districts, re money allotted for those Districts prior to 1855, still undrawn or unappropriated - any amount which will so remain to be appropriated for works in Unsettled Districts, if applied for before 30th June next, & if not then applied for, for roads & bridges within Settled Districts; & you will forward to me for decision any such applications in your District <i>[document continues on next page which has not been filmed here]</i></p>		
	55/08053	1855 07 24	Hon CS	<p>Brisbane W D Grimes</p> <p>W Elyard for the CS</p> <p>Colonial Treasury, Sydney Francis L S Merewether "E W H"</p>	<p>1855 07 17</p> <p>1855 07 24~</p> <p>1855 08 18</p> <p>1855 08 20~</p> <p>1855 08 20</p> <p>1855 08 24~</p> <p>1855 08 24~</p> <p>1855 08 31~</p> <p>1855 08 31~</p> <p>1855 09 03</p>	<p>At top: "W D Grimes"</p> <p>Letter applying for Deed of Grant of property viz Lot 6 [Lot 5 crossed out] – North Brisbane, Allotment 16, Section 18, 38 perches, County Stanley <i>[part of letter missing – postage stamp removed from Cover?]</i></p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes re above</p> <p>Mr M? W M?</p> <p>Acting Colonial Treasurer to state date when this Lot was purchased</p> <p>Blank cover – noted – to be returned</p> <p>Rev Br</p> <p>Stamp: TREASURY-NEW SOUTH WALES / No... -AU 20-1855</p> <p>Lot 6 being Allotment 16 of Section No 18 – 36 perches (and not Lot 5 as stated in this letter) was purchased at Sale of Land at Brisbane 23 March 1855 by William Douglass Grimes [as it is] for sum of £140 – application for usual Deed of Grant forwarded to Acting Colonial Secretary by "my letter dated 13 July 1855 No 427" – Blank Cover No 327</p> <p>Returned Colonial Secretary's Office</p> <p>[Cover]</p> <p>To the Honble the/ Colonial Secretary/ Sydney</p> <p>postmarked: SYDNEY-NEW S. WALES / C-JY*23-1855</p> <p><i>[Small square cut from letter – to remove postage stamp?]</i></p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes re above</p> <p>Mr M? W M? report</p> <p>Deed was submitted for signature on this date</p> <p>Inform</p> <p>Mr Grimes</p>	A2.32	687
	55/07760	[no date]	Hon CS	<p>Revenue Branch Colonial Treasury, Sydney Francis L S Merewether "E O S"</p>	1855 07 13	<p>[PRINTED FORM LETTER]</p> <p>At top: "55/A.No.427"</p> <p>Letter re his of this date transmitting Report of Sales of Land held on 23rd March last & referring more particularly to Sale at Brisbane which shows William Douglas Grimes [also spelt William Douglass Grimes] of Brisbane to have been Purchaser of following Lots, viz</p> <p>[Lot/Country or Town [as it is]/ Allotment/ Section/ Extent / Price]</p> <p>Lot 6 / Stanley-Town of North Brisbane/ Allotment 16/ Section 18/ 38 perches/ £140</p>	A2.32	689

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						amounting in all to £140 which amount has been paid into this Office – encloses herewith Description of Land referred to, & requests Deed of Grant be prepared & transmitted to him through usual channels & Note in margin – Deed herewith “J N”? “G N”? At top: <u>Town - North Brisbane</u> [Description] 0a 0r 38p County of Stanley Parish of North Brisbane 6. Allotment No 16 Section No 18 [description is here in detail: mentions Allotment No 3, Allotment No 4, Allotment No 17, North Quay] Upset price £100 per acre		690
	55/08120	1855 07 30	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 07 28 1855 07 31~ 1855 07 31	At top: “Port Master” Letter enclosing Notice calling for Tenders for new Boat for Pilot Station Moreton Bay (ref CS letter of “yesterday’s date” No 206 – Margin: 55/07937) [Notice not filmed here] [No 55/144] & Notes in margin W V Notice	A2.32	691
	55/07937	1855 07 21	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 07 20 1855 07 21~ 1855 07 27	At top: “Port Master” Enclosing copy letter “received this day” from Harbour Master Moreton Bay reporting serious damage to one of Pilots Boats & recommending purchase of a new one [No 55/138] Para 2: £50 voted for present year for that purpose - suggests Tenders be immediately invited for supply of it & Notes in margin Tenders may be called for Port Master “On 16 th August” [Ref 55/08120]	A2.32	692 - 693
	55/07937		Captain Moriarty, Port Master	Harbour Master's Office, Moreton Bay W H Geary, Harbour Master	1855 07 12	“Copy” Letter informing Barque “Emma” of Sydney from California full of passengers put in here in distress & in starving state on 27 th ult Pilot rendering necessary assistance to ship got his boat stove severely - although she might be repaired, “she is shook to that degree” as to make her unsafe in seaway – recommends new boat be furnished, with at least eight feet six beam & if with tubes it would be advisable [No 28/55]		694 – 695
	55/08122	1855 07 30	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 07 28 1855 08 02	At top: “Port Master” Letter recommending Master be appointed to take charge of & be answerable for Buoy Boat “Pearl” at salary of £6 per month & 2/9 per day, & additional hand be added to crew with pay same rate as rest viz £4 per month & 2/9 per day – above recommendations made at suggestion of Harbour Master Moreton Bay (ref CS letter 27 th inst No 207 & enclosure in his letter 26 th ult No 125 – see p 447) [No 55/145] & Notes in margin & across letter From letter of Harbour Master infer there is Master or person in charge already – what is asked for is increase of pay – before deciding upon this point “let me know size of “Pearl”, nature of her employment, whether she is constantly at work or only occasionally, in fact let me have all information	A2.32	696 – 697

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				"C D R"	1855 07 31 ~ 1855 08 02	to enable me to form opinion as to necessity of additional persons" Do not see necessity for Master – 4 men will in all likelihood be the crew – Pilot is Master when on board "On 15 th August" Port Master [Ref 55/08479]		
	55/08034	1855 07 25	Hon CS	Colonial Architect's Office, Sydney William Weaver Colonial Architect	1855 07 24 1855 07 31 ~	At top: "Colonial Architect" Letter informing he has not at present anything to send to Port Curtis - refers CS letter 21 st inst No 407 enquiring whether in event of vessel being chartered to proceed to Port Curtis, he would have stores etc to be sent [No 55/219] & Notes in margin – W V – See also 55/08000 "H C"	A2.32	698
	55/08016	1855 07 25	Hon CS	Colonial Storekeeper's Office, Sydney John Buchanan, Colonial Storekeeper	1855 07 24 1855 07 31 ~	At top: "Colonial Storekeeper" Letter in reply to CS enquiry whether he wishes to forward any stores etc to Port Curtis in event of vessel being chartered to proceed to that Port (ref CS letter No 145 of 21 st inst): no demands at present from that District uncompleted with in this Office [55/438] & Notes in margin - W V - See also 55/08000	A2.32	699
	55/08147	1855 07 25	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell	1855 07 24	At top: "Surveyor General" Letter in reply to CS enquiry whether in event of vessel being chartered to proceed to Port Curtis there are any stores to forward to Settlement (ref CS letter 21 st inst No 55/609): states Mr MacCabe has permission to come to Sydney on leave of absence & in order to renew his party – not desirable to forward him stores or other articles of equipment as he will be on his arrival in position to procure supplies [No 55/607] & Note in margin – See 55/08000	A2.32	700 – 701
	55/00828	1855 01 25	Hon CS	8 O'Connell Street Edward Munford "C D R" "W D"	1855 01 23 1855 01 31 ~ 1855 01 31 1855 02 08	At top: "Edward Munford" Letter informing he has laid on a steamboat regular trader between Sydney & Port Curtis - fears after trial of 3 trips by which he is somewhat a loser, that unless he is better supported he shall be compelled to withdraw her – object in advising is to enquire, before taking such step, if government inclined to offer encouragement to his persevering in enterprise – prosperity of undertaking will be influenced by such inducement – should government feel disposed to support him in carrying out regular monthly communication with Northern Districts, is prepared with satisfactory security to any amount for due performance of any Contract entered upon & Notes re above [obscured] has been hitherto incurred by keeping? a Schooner at a monthly pay of £350 at Port Curtis – of opinion that perhaps £100 per month might be paid to owners of "William Miskin" or any other regular trader, binding themselves to make a trip once a month Let communication be made to Mr Munford to ascertain amount of <u>encouragement</u> required to induce him to make a monthly trip to Port Curtis Mr Munford "On 15 February" [Ref 55/01439]	A2.32	702 – 703

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				"C D R"	1855 02 19	There is an offer from Edye Manning to go to Port Curtis for £150 a month & offer of Messrs Rossiter & Korff may be at once declined		
	55/01983	1855 03 02	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master "C D R" "C D R" "W D"	1855 02 28 1855 03 02~ 1855 03 05~ 1855 03 05 1855 03 09	At top: "Port Master" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter 26 th inst No 45 [Margin: 55/01439] & replies steamer " <i>Iron Prince</i> " is large strong vessel with auxiliary screw, in every respect far superior to " <i>William Miskin</i> " for purpose of keeping up communication with Port Curtis [No 55/31] & Notes in margin As it will be a monthly bargain? with Owners of the steamer, government cannot do better than enter into arrangement proposed viz that Government contribute £150 a month - must be borne in mind we may get the " <i>Torch</i> " as soon as Captain Denham's survey is ended Read This will be a most desirable acquisition I doubt it - we will pay the £150 for this vessel [difficult to read] Port Master, Edye Manning, Messrs Rossiter & Korff, Auditor General "On 15 March" [Ref 55/02650]	A2.32	710 - 711
	55/02650	1855 03 22	Hon CS	Sydney Edye Manning "C D R" "W D"	1855 03 20 1855 03 23~ 1855 03 23 1855 03 29	At top: "Edye Manning" Letter reporting steamer " <i>Iron Prince</i> " has slight defect in machinery & will not make present trip to Port Curtis - has substituted " <i>William Miskin</i> " having obtained sanction verbally of Port Master - this vessel will leave on Friday 23 rd inst (ref CS letter 12 th inst Margin: 55/01983) & Notes re above Presume " <i>William Miskin</i> " may be taken on same consideration for this trip Very well Port Master, E Manning [Ref 55/05175]	A2.32	712
	55/05175	1855 05 29	Hon CS	Sydney Edye Manning "C D R" "W D"	1855 05 26 1855 05 30~ 1855 05 31 1855 06 05 1855 08 10~	At top: "Edye Manning" Letter re Agreement mutually entered into for running steamboat to Port Curtis for monthly remuneration £150: notwithstanding government's fair contribution, undertaking has found to be very unprofitable & will be impossible to continue it beyond immediate trip & Notes re above Believe engagement with Mr Manning is only a monthly one in this case the sooner the bargain falter & " <i>Torch</i> " called in to use Very well - have no means of compelling them to continue [difficult to read] Port Master "On 15 th June" Copy to Auditor General [Ref 55/07259]	A2.32	713
	55/08163	1855 07 26	Hon CS	Sydney Edye Manning	1855 07 26	At top: "Edye Manning" Letter re demur made by Auditor General to passing his claim for £450 (being for 3 months service of steamer to Port Curtis) by reason of his having requested permission to substitute " <i>William Miskin</i> " for " <i>Iron Prince</i> " for 1 trip only - same reason existed on return of " <i>William Miskin</i> " from Port Curtis & whole service performed by this vessel - presumes on this representation there will be no difficulties in having the whole sum passed & Note in margin - see 55/08000 submitted	A2.32	714

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				"C D R" "W D"	1855 07 31~ 1855 07 31~ 1855 08 01 1855 08 02	Notes re above Circumstance of "William Miskin" having made voyage instead of "Iron Prince" will not perhaps make any difference with respect to payment according to agreement for the latter Should think so Certainly not, as arrangement made it matters not by what particular Steamer Auditor General, E Manning		715
			Hon E Deas Thomson	Beeronne [as it is - also spelt Beerowne, Beronne] M C O'Connell	1853 10 03	At top: "Port Curtis" "Private" Letter sending Memo on formation of Port Curtis District as promised: delayed in order to secure latest information re discoveries made on Mackenzie – also hoping to get sketch from Mr Archer of entire country he travelled over, has not yet kept promise in this respect – has sent his own sketch based on Sir T L Mitchell's last map & being relieved from embarrassment of holding Mr Archer's information as confidential by later discoveries of other people, have been able to put in prominent features of country as learned from him & others Last party out traced Mackenzie upwards, found it running almost parallel to the Dawson – describe it as very fine river, undoubtedly navigable for considerable distance inland – at one place on its banks came across large seam of coal – say greater part of country travelled over too scrubby for pastoral occupation – think runs can be procured on Peak Downs within convenient distance of head of navigation – Mackenzie evidently an important stream, useful to Port Curtis country Has in his sketch adopted Mr Archer's nomenclature & called this stream from junction of Dawson, "The Fitzroy" – told him when he first mentioned it, is already in North West Coast of Australia a large river of same name, called after Captain Fitzroy, former Governor of New Zealand – repetition might be inconvenient Has proposed division of these Districts in accordance with different systems of their drainage – finds between all separate systems of waters there is sufficient tract of unavailable country to make pastoral occupation of the one distinct from that of the other – for instance no case in which Stations are held from same establishment on Burnett & Darling Downs, or on Burnett & Brisbane waters, or on Burnett & Dawson waters – thinks it convenient it should be so for many reasons – may be as well to mention here that 25 th parallel of latitude [could be 26 th] runs through country in which it would be difficult to find a good natural boundary for New South Wales by adhering strictly to that parallel but that very distinct one might be made at no great distance from it by adopting the range & its continuation which now separates Burnett and Wide Bay Districts from those of Moreton & Darling Downs – adopting this Range there would be little loss of territory to New South Wales & great convenience in future times in obviating disputes arising out of separate jurisdiction of the 2 colonies Regarding Port Curtis, supposes idea of appointing Government Resident is not abandoned - has not been brought forward in Estimates – as expenditure attendant on opening up country for occupation it will be a charge on Crown Lands Revenue – if he goes there, should wish to take his departure from Sydney, evident all labour required for erection of buildings etc must be taken from there – should like to have benefit of his counsel on many points "before you leave for England", several questions touching a new settlement & first in which government occupation has	A2.32	716 – 722

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				"C A F"	1853 10 24~	<p>preceded that of public which require consideration Hopes he will insist upon having land sale in Sydney – no plausible reason for holding it at Brisbane – communication or rather traffic of this part of country is with Sydney direct - when goods sent to Brisbane by mistake, they have to go back to Sydney to be sent here – inconvenience at present from Colonial Storekeeper having “very stupidly” sent supplies in that way – doubts there will be any trade between Brisbane & Port Curtis, certainly not until latter becomes direct shipping Port for Europe Interested in discussion on Constitution Bill, has heightened his opinion of Wentworth’s ability & talent – discusses – trusts he will carry Bill as it stands or nearly so – mentions nominated Upper House in Legislature, British Constitution & Royal Privilege of making Peers - seeking a “few lines” to let him know what is to be done about Port Curtis – should wish to leave this in beginning December if he is to go there in January & Note re above [written over last page of letter] He can have leave to come of course to Sydney to make his arrangement whenever he may wish to do so</p>		
				Gayndah M C O’Connell, Commissioner of Crown Lands	1853 10 03	<p>At top: “Port Curtis” <u>Memo on formation of new Crown Lands District to northward of present occupation</u> It being proposed to form District of Port Curtis appears most convenient arrangements for this purpose will be: To consolidate portion of present District of Burnett with that of Wide Bay To make new District including Dawson River & tributaries together with Mackenzie & tributaries, these rivers running nearly parallel, up to a line to be drawn as northern boundary, point to be determined, near their junction To form Port Curtis District as bounded on south by Burnett & Dawson Districts, on west by range dividing Eastern & Western waters & on north by imaginary line to be drawn as Surveyor General may determine Encloses sketch [not filmed here] attempting to show what he means – to be recollected that features of country laid down as approximating only to truth from best information attainable – afforded by persons of intelligence & may be relied on as being as accurate as such information usually is Leading geographical features of division of Districts proposed will be: Burnett District will comprise entire system of waters draining country at back of Harveys Bay [as it is - see also Hervey Bay] & Sound connecting it with Wide Bay Dawson District will be an entirely separate system of waters disemboguing themselves eventually into Keppel Bay Port Curtis District will include Coast country to northward of these Districts & extend westerly most probably to the Peak Downs the next locality likely to be taken up by squatters, as it is now known Mackenzie is navigable for considerable distance inland & persons are already forming projects to occupy Downs if within convenient reach of head of navigation In the Districts thus constituted there will be in round numbers stock as under: Burnett District Present Stock = 500,000 sheep Probable increase = 300,000 sheep Total = 800,000 sheep Dawson District</p>		723 - 726

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						<p>Present stock = 100,000 sheep Probable increase = 500,000 sheep Total = 600,000 sheep Port Curtis District <u>Extent and capabilities unknown</u> Burnett District will be about 210 miles in width / E & W / by 200 miles in length – this is by distances as travelled at present Dawson District will be (from a computation made however from uncertain data) 300 miles in length by an average of 100 in breadth Burnett District Commissioner should be stationed at Gayndah in centre of his District - if Government think it more advisable, nothing to prevent his being posted at Maryborough – if no Commissioner at Maryborough may eventually require a Police Magistrate but not as yet Dawson Commissioner should locate himself somewhere about Messrs Hay & Holt's Station, say about 100 miles from Port Curtis & same distance from Barracks of Native Police After best attention he can give subject & with information at command, above appears most desirable division of country to make - supposing Wide Bay & Burnett Districts remain as they are & their Northern boundaries to be taken for Southern boundary of Port Curtis, Head of Palm Tree Creek would be at most inconvenient distance from Gladstone to southward, & prevent any extension to northward without proclaiming a fourth district – by this arrangement Country now occupied, & that likely to be taken up for some time, is provided for with 3 Commissioners only</p>		
	55/08240	1855 08 01	Hon CS	Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney Charles Nicholson, Speaker W Denison	1855 08 01 1855 08 01~ 1855 08 01 1855 08 01~ 1855 08 02~	[PRINTED FORM LETTER] At top: "Speaker Legislative Council" Letter requesting Great Seal of Colony be affixed to Writ of Election for Member to serve for Electoral District of Stanley Boroughs in room of Henry Stuart Russell resigned (ref CS letter No 51/45 - 31 October 1851) [No 55/35] & Notes in margin For approval as on 55/07290 Approved M F Speaker	A2.32	727
	55/08251	1855 07 31	Hon CS	Attorney General's Office, Sydney J H Plunkett, Attorney General W M Manning, Solicitor General "W D" "C D R"	1855 07 28 1855 08 01 1855 08 02~	At top: "Attorney General & Solicitor General" Letter referring to CS Minute on accompanying letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay [see p 730]: as Public Health Bill in hands of Committee proposed & carried adversely to Government with view to extensive alterations in its character, not in position to say if provisions recommended by that officer can be introduced into that measure Para 2: Recommend accompanying letter be referred to Committee [No 55/158] Also at top: "Reporting with respect to letter from Police Magistrate Ipswich relative to a modified Building Act for that place" & Notes in margin Papers herewith Very well Copy laid before Council & referred Select Committee on Public Health Bill Yes	A2.32	728 - 729

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				"M F" "C D R" "W D"	1855 08 03~ 1855 08 04~ 1855 08 04 1855 08 08	Captain Wickham may be informed Yes Captain Wickham		
	55/07841	1855 07 19	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident	1855 07 13	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Forwarding letter from Police Magistrate Ipswich suggesting introduction of Act prohibiting use of wood in construction of chimneys [No 55/151] Para 2: Increase in number of buildings in Brisbane & Ipswich renders it necessary that measure be adopted for protection of property against fire – contemplates applying for extension of "Building Act" to those towns, have delayed doing so until ascertains whether Act now before Legislative Council, providing for management of local matters in different towns of the Colony, will meet such cases & Notes in margin M F Law Officers may be requested to say whether this matter can be provided for either in Public Health Bill or Building Bill Refer to Law Officers Referred to Law Officers– blank cover – noted – to be returned [Ref 55/08251]	A2.32	730 – 731
	55/07841		Hon CS	Police Office, Ipswich Charles George Gray Police Magistrate	1855 07 19~ 1855 07 20~ 1855 07 21~ 1855 07 23 1855 06 28	At top: "Police Magistrate Ipswich" <u>Enclosure to letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay of 13 July - 55/151</u> Letter re steps to be taken with view to diminish danger to which his & other towns similarly constructed are exposed to accidental fires [No 55/120 – also No 5] Para 2: Houses of town principally built of wood, comprising however considerable portion of brick - greater number of kitchens are of the former material, even fireplaces & chimneys being of wood Para 3: This is most dangerous & subjects the place to a most serious calamity - if a kitchen were to take fire from chimney igniting nothing could save town from total destruction Para 4: Suggests propriety of an Act being passed to restrain parties intending to build, from erecting wooden chimneys in this or any other town - empowering Police Magistrate or Bench of Magistrates to cause such wooden fireplaces & chimneys to be replaced by brick or stone & to prevent future erection of fireplaces or chimneys using material other than stone or brick under certain penalties - seeks some measure be initiated in Council Also at top: "Re modified Building Act for Ipswich"		732 – 734 [p 732 x 2]
	55/08189	1855 07 28	Hon CS~	Immigration Office, Sydney H H Browne	1855 07 27	At top: "Agent for Immigration" Transmitting copy Report from local Immigration Board at Moreton Bay on arrival of Immigrant Ship "Truro" [No 55/418] & Notes in margin For the Commissioners Emigration Commissioners "D P" Read Are these sent to Commissioners? – Yes	A2.32	735
	55/08189		Agent for Immigration,	Immigration Office,	1855 06 03	Enclosure referred to in Immigration Agent's letter to Colonial Secretary		736

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			Sydney	Moreton Bay John Stephen Ferriter W A Duncan		<u>27th July 1855</u> Letter informing they have inspected Immigrants arrived by "Truro" & are pleased to state no ship could have been better conducted as to kindness & attention of Surgeon Superintendent, Master & Officers & that provisions & water as to quantity & quality were most unexceptionable "T M W"		
	55/08136	1855 07 30	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell "M F" "W D"	1855 07 26 1855 07 31~ 1855 07 31~ 1855 08 02 1855 08 13	At top: "Surveyor General" Transmitting in order for their proclamation & sale at Police Office Brisbane Descriptions of portions of Crown Lands particulars of which are stated in Schedule - tracings of lands described are enclosed herewith [Descriptions & Tracings not filmed here] [No 55/614] & Notes in margin M F Not aware of any objection Proclaimed 10 th August for sale at Brisbane on 26 th September 1855 Acting Colonial Treasurer with descriptions & tracings "H H" "T M W" [PRINTED FORM] SCHEDULE OF CROWN LANDS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE at the <u>Police Office, Brisbane</u> [Situation of land/ No of Allotment/ No of Section/ Area/ Name of Applicant/ Upset Price per acre/ Remarks] Town Lots Parish of South Brisbane <u>Applicant: The Crown</u> Allotments Nos 1-7, 10-20 / Section 20	A2.32	737 738 – 740
	55/08162	1855 07 30	His Ex the Governor General	Sydney Henry Stuart Russell "C R"? "W D"	1855 07 27 1855 07 28~ 1855 07 30 1855 07 30~ 1855 07 31~	At top: "H S Russell" Letter requesting acceptance of resignation of his seat in Legislative Council as elective Member for Stanley Boroughs & Notes in margin Rec'd 28 th – Acc'd 28 th Accepted~ M F Speaker	A2.32	742 [no p 741]
	55/08166			"M F" "C D R" "M F"	1855 08 24~ 1855 08 24~ 1855 08 31~ 1855 09 11	Memo [some notes written over former notes – difficult to read] Governor General's decision to effect that as Captain Wickham has undertaken duties concerned with sales of Crown Lands & receives principal emolument connected with Office of Crown Commissioner within Settled Districts, he ought under circumstances fulfil all remaining duties of Commissioner - is Captain Wickham then to be formally appointed & gazetted as Commissioner & furnished with usual authorities to enable him to remove intruders from Crown Lands etc? Should think so – let a Commission be prepared for the Governor ...? [very difficult to read] Commission & usual Authority issued accordingly dated 31 August 1855 Commission & usual Authority herewith for signature Captain Wickham transmitted necessary Commission Notified in Gazette of 14 September 1855	A2.32	743 – 744
	55/08166	1855 08 01	Hon CS~	Brisbane	1855 07 26	At top: "Government Resident"		745 – 746

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				J C Wickham Government Resident		Letter recommending Richard Bingham Sheridan as Commissioner of Crown Lands for Settled Districts of Moreton Bay in lieu of Mr Ferriter (ref CS letters of 8 th June & 13 th July 55/05024): Mr Sheridan informs will not interfere with his duties as Officer of Customs – he frequently visits the Bay in his boat, will be in his power to correct irregularities practised by sawyers & others who frequent rivers & creeks & which flow into Bay – has been much difficulty in keeping check – thinks Commissioner of Crown Lands in District can scarcely perform duties without a boat [No 55/166] & Notes in margins p 745: What is amount of land sold at Brisbane & what is commission upon the sale – to whom does commission go? Colonial Treasurer requested to report – blank cover – to be returned Noted All sales of Crown Lands which have been held at Settled District of Moreton Bay have taken place either at Brisbane or Ipswich – Government Resident receives commission on sales held Brisbane & Police Magistrate (Colonel Gray) receives commissions on those held at Ipswich – amounts of land sold, proceeds of sales in 1854 were as follows: 6743 acres - £40,029 Sums paid as Commission for sales of land & leases in 1854 as follows: To Captain Wickham - £845 To Colonel Gray - £478 Blank cover - No 298 Returned Colonial Secretary's Office p 746: According to present arrangement Mr Sheridan if appointed Commissioner of Crown Lands at Moreton Bay would have nothing to do with sale of land this duty being entrusted to Government Resident for Brisbane & Colonel Gray for Ipswich – Mr Sheridan as Commissioner for this District would only be entitled to a guinea a day when <u>specialy</u> employed by Government in ousting intruders on Crown Lands		
				"W D"	1855 08 02			
				W Elyard for the CS "M F"	1855 08 02 1855 08 03~			
				Francis L S Merewether	1855 08 03			
				"M F"	1855 08 04~ 1855 08 08~			
				"C D R" "W D"	1855 08 09~ 1855 08 09			
	55/05024	1855 06 01	Hon CS	Commissioner of Crown Lands Office, Moreton Bay John Stephen Ferriter	1855 05 28	At top: "Commissioner Ferriter" Letter requesting Governor General accept his resignation of Office of Commissioner of Crown Lands for Settled Districts of Moreton Bay, duties as Immigration Agent & Shipping Master occupying whole of his time & Notes in margin Presume may be accepted Approved J S Ferriter Government Resident informed – to name successor "End of month" – resubmitted Government Resident to be reminded he has not yet recommended Officer to succeed Mr Ferriter? 55/08166 Yes Government Resident "End of August"	A2.32	747
				"C D R" "W D"	1855 06 04~ 1855 06 04 1855 06 08 1855 06 08			
				"M F"	1855 07 05~ 1855 07 10~			
				"C D R"	1855 07 12~ 1855 07 14			

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	54/01388	1854 02 14	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham "C A F"	1854 02 09 1854 02 15~ 1854 02 16~ 1854 03 06 1854 03 17~	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Letter nominating for approval, J S Ferriter for appointment of Commissioner of Crown Lands for District of Moreton Bay – is willing to perform duties of that office (ref CS letter 9 th ult No 53/10755) [No 54/38] Para 2: Referred Police Magistrate Ipswich to CS Circular 1 st December 1847 & to opinion of Crown Law Officers therein recommending offenders such as those complained of by Colonel Gray should be proceeded against under 39 th Section of Larceny Act 7 & 8 George 4 th Cap 20, as more appropriate mode of dealing with them & Notes in margin [difficult to read - written over other notes, some erased] Mr Ferriter may be appointed Commission & usual authority issued accordingly dated 16 February 1854 Government Resident enclosing Commission & other documents Notified in Government Gazette 10 th March 1854 55/05024 Commission and usual Authority now submitted for signature	A2.32	748 – 750
	53/10755	1853 12 01	Hon CS	Brisbane W A Duncan "M F" "C A F"	1853 11 15 1853 12 01~ 1853 12 08~ 1853 12 14~ 1854 01 09~	At top: "Acting Government Resident Brisbane" Forwarding letter from Police Magistrate Ipswich re sawyers illegally cutting timber on Crown Lands Para 2: Stated to Colonel Gray does not think anyone here at present has authority to prosecute for this offence, Captain Barney having resigned appointment he held – desirable to appoint officer for this duty, loss to revenue at present considerable Also at top: "Re Timber Licenses at Ipswich & recommending appointment of Crown Lands Commissioner in lieu of Captain Barney resigned" & Notes in margin M F Proceedings in these cases must be taken under Special Authority from Governor General, probably Colonel Grey [as it is] would accept appointment of Commissioner of Crown Lands – if not Bench of Magistrates Ipswich might be able to recommend gentleman willing to undertake duty? Strong objection to Police Magistrate acting also as Commissioner of Crown Lands Notes re above Government Resident Brisbane to be requested to nominate Commissioner Government Resident "End of February" [Ref 54/01388]	A2.32	751 752
	53/10755		Acting Government Resident, Brisbane	Police Office, Ipswich Charles George Gray JP Police Magistrate	1853 11 08	Letter stating informed that individuals named in margin are sawing on Crown Land without License - seeks advice re steps to take in order to protect interests of the Crown - <u>Margin:</u> John Penn? – Peter Stamford – William Maclin? [Martin?] – John Huff [also spelt Huffe] – James Shay? – John Wright – Edward Mehan – Patrick Dwyer – Michael Doran Also informed several parties having entered into contracts to perform certain quantities of fencing, are splitting on Crown Lands – wishes to know if these parties who are splitting for sale come under meaning of Act & require to take out splitting licenses [No 53/93]		753 - 754

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				"W A D"		& Notes in margin - Rec'd 10 th November - Replied 14 th		
	53/09852	1853 11 05	Hon CS~	Stroud J C Wickham	1853 11 01	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Forwarding letter from J E Barney tendering his resignation of appointment of Commissioner of Crown Lands for Settled District of Moreton Bay - occupation as Post Master preventing him from performing duties of that office satisfactorily [No 53/2.S.] Para 2: Delayed forwarding Captain Barney's letter hoping might be able to suggest successor – does not know of any gentleman in District likely to accept appointment – recommends Captain Barney's resignation & Notes in margin Any other papers? Apparently not Presume resignation will be accepted He is not charged with Sale of Lands is he? Yes – Captain Wickham to recommend a successor when he can find one Government Resident "End of month" [Ref 53/10755]	A2.32	755 – 757
	53/09852		Government Resident, Brisbane	Brisbane J Edward Barney	1853 07 15	Letter requesting his resignation of appointment of Commissioner of Crown Lands for Settled District Moreton Bay be submitted for consideration – occupation in Post Office rendering it impossible to satisfactorily perform duties of Commissioner		758
	55/08335	1855 07 31	Hon CS	H M Gaol, Darlinghurst John O'Neill Brenan	1855 07 28	At top: "Sheriff" Letter stating prisoners named in margin from Brisbane Circuit Court have been forwarded to Cockatoo Island (ref CS letter 25 th inst) [No 55/41] <u>Margin:</u> 1 Michael Leonard 2 Stephen Groombridge 3 John Dunn 4 Henry Bucholdt [also spelt Buckholdt] 5 John Smith 6 Daniel Dunmore alias Gillespie 7 William Jones <u>8 Charles Hall</u> One prisoner (Patrick Reilly – also spelt Riley) convicted at same Court effected his escape at Newcastle & has not been heard of since <i>[see details of Circuit Court Decisions regarding these prisoners in Trove - Moreton Bay Courier, 2 June 1855, p 2]</i>	A2.32	759
					1855 07 31~	Note re above – Returns of Convictions for His Excellency's signature		760
	55/08359	1855 08 02	Hon Acting CS	Audit Office, Sydney John Stirling	1855 07 31	At top: "Acting Auditor General" Letter informing reports received from following Benches to effect that sums allotted for repairs of roads in their respective Districts will be required by them either for completion of engagements already made, or for additional repairs proposed to be performed [No 233] viz: Armidale - £200-0-0; Casino - £600-0-0; Cooma - £224-5-10; Grafton - £200-0-0; McLeay River - £117-10-0; Tamworth - £200-0-0; Wagga Wagga - £500-0-0; Wambo £400-0-0; Warialda - £600-0-0; Warwick - £600-0-0 - <u>Total: £3641-15-10</u> Para 2: Letters received from Benches of Magistrates at undermentioned	A2.32	761 – 765

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	55/08359				1855 08 24 1855 08 06~	<p>places notifying sums slotted have not been appropriated to any District Works & will not therefore be required viz: Albany - £542-0-0; Binalong - £550-0-0; Surat - £200-0-0; Wee Waa - £600-0-0; Wellingrove - £25-0-0 - Total: £1917-0-0 Para 3: Against amount thus placed again at disposal of government, claims for repairs or other special purposes are recorded in this Office as follows, viz: Road between Raymond Terrace & Morpeth - £82-6-1 [Margin: authorised – 55/03997] Repairs to Long Bridge Maitland - £175-7-0 [Margin: authorised 55/04702] Brisbane Water Roads - £300-0-0 [Margin: See 55/07164] Road from Ballingarry [as it is – see also Ballyngarra, Ballengarra] across Roland's Plains [as it is – see also Rolland's Plains] - £500-0-0 [Margin: already approved – see 55/05664] Road between Stroud & Raymond Terrace - £100-0-0 [Margin: See 55/04372] Road between Campbell's River & Bathurst - £500-0-0 [Margin: promised – see 55/07410] Road between Gosford & Maitland over Broken Back Bridge - £500-0-0 [Margin: See 55/07674] Clearing Bush on sides of River Hastings - £50-0-0 [Margin: promised – see 55/05249] Repairs to Bridge Port Macquarie - £100-0-0 [Margin: see 55/05063] Repairs to Road from Maneroo to Twofold Bay - £200-0-0 [Margin: authorised – 55/07917] - Total: £2507-13-1 making excess of special claims over amount relinquished by Benches of £590-13-1 Para 4: Points out State of Balance in Votes for Roads beyond Settled Districts in former years cannot be ascertained until information applied for by your Circular of 1st March last is obtained from following Benches, viz at Dubbo, Balranald, Gayndah, Gundagai, Molong, Moulamein, Tumut, Tenterfield, Wide Bay & Notes in margin List of Papers returned herewith: 55/00447 – 55/04372 – 55/05664 with 55/05240, 55/02016, 55/00225, 54/06799 – 55/05063 with 55/04382, 55/02625, 55/02030 – 55/05249 – 54/07164 – 55/07410 – 55/07674 Colonial Architect, Auditor General</p> <p>Notes re above [margin notes difficult to read in parts] Out of Votes for repair of roads beyond Settled Districts in former years, Auditor General reports sum of £3641-15-10 will be required for completion of engagements made by Benches or for additional repairs proposed to be performed – see Para 1 2 Notification made by other Benches that sums to amount £1917 will not be required, is therefore available for repairs at other places – see Para 2 3 Against this claims have been made to extent of £2507-13-1 – of these the following have already been authorised or promised: Road between Raymond Terrace & Morpeth - £82-6-1 [Margin: Amount issued] Repairs to Long Bridge, Maitland - £175-7-0 [Margin: Amount issued] Road from Maneroo to Twofold Bay - £200 [Margin: Ordered 27 July]</p>		766 – 769

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						<p>Road from Ballingarry across Rollands Plains - £500 [see also Rolland's Plains] Port Macquarie [Margin: Ordered Warden Auditor General 5 July] Road between Campbell's River & Bathurst - £500 [Margin Answd 24 Aug] For clearing Bush on sides of River Hastings - £50 [Margin: Ordered 9 July Police Magistrate] The following are those which were reserved for consideration, to be decided on after ascertaining sums available: Brisbane Waters roads - £300 [Margin: Answd 9 August] Road between Stroud & Raymond Terrace - £100 [Margin: Ordered 24 August Bench Stroud?] Road between Gosford & Maitland over Broken Back Bridge - £500 [Margin: Answd 9 August] Repairs to Bridge Port Macquarie - £100 [Margin: Police Magistrate 18 Aug] 4 Some Benches have not answered the reference made to them to ascertain whether sums placed at their disposal are required – See Para 4 They should perhaps be written to again – but if approved, sums mentioned in Para 3 may be issued & any portion of amount not covered by balance of Votes in former years charged on Vote for Roads Beyond the Settled Districts in 1855, retained to meet demands for works considered by Government entitled to support & Notes in margin Not fully acted on Are there not letters Auditor General, Colonial Architect 55/09293 Yes Sums mentioned in Para 3 may now be paid & those Benches which have not yet sent in demands for money presumed not to be in want of it – should we wait in ? [difficult to read] Think we may assume Benches who have not sent in demands have none to send in as they have had fair warning</p>		
				"W D"	1855 08 24~			
				"C D R"	1855 08 24			
				"W D"	1855 08 06~			
				"W D"	1855 08 06			
	55/08374	1855 08 06	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident	1855 07 31	<p>At top: "Government Resident at Moreton Bay" Forwarding letter from Committee of Management of Botanic Garden Brisbane requesting larger sum be placed on Estimates for wages of labourers employed in gardens – if not too late, recommends to Governor General's consideration – men cannot be hired at rate of wages voted for present year [No 55/169] Para 2: When he forwarded Probable Estimate of Expenses, work in Garden had not commenced, thought then original Vote would be sufficient & Notes in margin Believe it is now too late to place further sum on Estimates for payment of wages to labourers in Botanic Garden Brisbane Too late now Government Resident</p>	A2.32	770 – 771
	55/08374		Hon CS	Brisbane W A Duncan R R MacKenzie	1855 07 28	<p>At top: "Committee of Management of Brisbane Botanic Garden" Letter informing sum voted last Session of Council [Margin: £234-0-0] now on Estimates for 1856 for payment of 3 labourers in Botanic Garden insufficient at present rate of wages, impossible to get men here at less</p>		772 – 773

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						than 40/- per week – consequently obliged to employ only 2 men - insufficient to make any satisfactory progress Para 2: Suggest yearly Estimate for labourers be raised to £312 enabling employment of 3 men at present rate, 4 in case of reduction in wages		
	55/08394	1855 08 06	Hon CS	Brisbane J Thompson	1855 07 31 1855 08 06~ 1855 08 06~ 1855 08 07~ 1855 08 09	At top: "J Thompson" Letter requesting Title Deeds of Allotments of land purchased by him at Brisbane 29 th June 1854, may be prepared for delivery viz: Eastern Suburbs – Parish of South Brisbane Lot 112 – 4 acres 1 rood 30 perches Lot 113 – 3 acres 3 roods 2 perches Lot 115 – 6 acres 34 perches Lot 116 – 4 acres 2 roods 12 perches & Notes in margin Present state? W M? Mr M? These Deeds will be forwarded to Supreme Court <u>today</u> Inform Mr Thompson	A2.32	774
	55/08447	1855 08 07	Hon CS	Gladstone M C O'Connell Government Resident	1855 06 27	At top: "Government Resident Port Curtis" Letter re certain objections to Plan of Township of Gladstone as it had been laid out, alluded to in his letter to CS 7 th September 1854 No 55/54 [see A2.30, p 546] & enclosing his Memorandum drawn up on subject [No 78/55] Para 2: Received in reply CS letter 13 December No 54/10424 with enclosure from Surveyor General – gathers Sir Thomas Mitchell did not agree with views expressed "by me" & did not deem them of sufficient importance to call for any interference with Plan as it exists Para 3: He says "will be competent to Mr MacCabe to suggest to me eventually any alterations which at instance of Resident may be found advisable" & states previously in same letter "I cannot however admit that Mr MacCabe should in any way be subject to control of Resident" – evident that any interference "of mine" in this way would only amount to "tendering my advice" to another & independent Officer of Government - a procedure which would be inconvenient & might very well "subject me to be told again, as I was once before" by Mr MacCabe, that he was only responsible to Head of his own Department Para 4: Does not feel at liberty to tender any advice to Mr MacCabe on this subject Para 5: Magnitude of evils he has endeavoured to point out has upon reflection seemed greater than ever he at first imagined - still time in some degree to mitigate these, must not shrink from duty of again offering some strictions upon Plan which has been adopted of Town of Gladstone Para 6: Has no doubt that this will become place of very considerable commercial importance - should be wanting in discharge of responsibilities of his office were he to neglect while still time to avert them, to urge consideration of evils which if seemingly unimportant at the present moment from facilities now given to traffic by its unimpeded progress over lands alienated but not enclosed, will clog the future & grow intolerable as boundaries of allotments are fenced in, & lines of traffic become confined within their authorised limits Para 7: Has strong opinion upon the subject, deems it due to himself to	A2.32	775 - 786

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						<p>state explicitly his views, & place them on record to prevent misapprehension in future</p> <p>Para 8: Fears he cannot with sufficient clearness & force express that which he wishes to convey - difficult to explain his meaning without aid of personal observation - will endeavour to lay before His Excellency his views on this matter - will be for His Excellency to decide whether there is anything in arguments which requires adoption of the measures he recommends or some others of a similar nature</p> <p>Para 9: Most glaring defects in laying out Town of Gladstone seem to be these: that with whole country open to undertaking, without any obstructions thereon in the way by previous occupation, place of the Town so arranged that hardly one single street is available for traffic in its natural state - obstructions are such as will require expenditure of large sum for their removal - in the meantime traffic of this, a seaport Town, has its only outlet to the sea by a lane, in which 2 loaded wool drays could hardly pass each other, of 20 feet in width - moreover available water frontage is monopolized by some 2 or 3 allotments</p> <p>Para 10: To endeavour to illustrate his meaning, has taken a tracing to accompany this letter [tracing not filmed here] of the Plan furnished to him from Surveyor General's Office by which His Excellency will perceive there are 3 main streets & 2 lanes leading to Auckland Inlet - by these streets & lanes traffic of interior must reach the sea - but Goondoon [as it is - Goondoon?] & Glenlyon Streets with China Lane [<i>now known as Central Lane</i>] lead to mangrove & mud flats which must be reclaimed ere streets can become available - Auckland Street also is impassable for drays as stated in his former letter, remains only Oaka Lane which approaches the shore at an available point, but if owner of Allotment No 13 Section 1 fences in his Lot & builds a wharf out to deep water across the Lane, as Mr MacCabe tells me he is entitled to do, Oaka Lane becomes a "cul de sac" & only spots in Town of Gladstone from whence produce can be shipped will be wharf of No 13 & wharves of the 2 or 3 allotments on the opposite side of Oaka Lane</p> <p>Para 11: To explain nature of these obstructions offered to passage of traffic in Auckland Street he has obtained a tracing showing a vertical Section of its course from high water mark on the Inlet to Yarroon Street & a similar illustration of the difficulties presented by Lord Street</p> <p>Para 12: From these drawings [not filmed here] Governor General will perceive that to render Auckland Street available, works of improvement must commence from point of intersection with Yarroon & that these are likely to be expensive & difficult - Lord Street also from Oaka Lane to Auckland Street is quite impracticable & will call for expenditure of considerable sum before it can be used</p> <p>Para 13: Evident therefore for goods landed at any of the wharves north of No 13 to get into interior, Auckland Street as far as Yarroon Street, or Auckland & Lord Streets from their point of intersection must both be made available</p> <p>Para 14: Again supposing all land already sold in Town of Gladstone to be occupied & fenced in, & we ought to suppose this the probable result of a few months lapse of time, is of opinion & is certain that all traffic by wheeled vehicles within the occupied would become an impossibility [<i>edge of page folded here & in paras 15-17 - ends of lines obscured - words in italics are suggestions</i>]</p> <p>Para 15: Government would in such a case be reduced to mortification of</p>		

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						<p>acknowledging that a Town <i>has</i> been laid out under its <i>auspices</i> in which necessities of <i>traffic</i> had been overlooked, or to inconvenience of providing <i>large</i> sums of money for Street <i>making</i> amounting to as much as <i>has</i> been received from sale of Town allotments</p> <p>Para 16: This is not however the <i>greatest</i> evil apparent to him from the persistence in the Plan of <i>Gladstone</i> as at present laid out</p> <p>Para 17: Thinks it an unscientific arrangement which carries <i>the</i> traffic of an extensive district <i>to</i> the sea by a narrow <i>avenue</i> of 20 feet wide, an improvident arrangement forcing correction of this inconvenience through expenditure of large sums of money not otherwise necessarily called for in early days of settlement – seems to him a greater evil to give to future of Town of Gladstone the inconvenience of steep acclivities, & and maintenance of thoroughfares which never can yield any satisfactory return for expenditure laid out upon them</p> <p>Para 18: To explain his meaning, must state as he did in his former letter, that direction of Auckland Street which runs transversely over the ridge on which Town is situated, that is from high water mark in Auckland Inlet on one side to a flat with nearly the same level on the other, is such as to prevent its ever becoming a thoroughfare easy to traffic of goods without at least an improbable expenditure of money, for levels on each side being levels of base of ridge, which rises to a height of 132 feet in a distance of 1382 on its northern slope, & only 548 on its southern, evident nothing but a cut to a considerable depth would overcome difficulties it presents & the same cutting would have to be carried out in Lord Street</p> <p>Para 19: If Auckland Street is to continue the main thoroughfare this work is one imposed almost of necessity upon the future of Gladstone & from what he has stated above & from sectional tracings he encloses [not filmed here] His Excellency will judge how far a satisfactory result can be obtained</p> <p>Para 20: Appears to him, although as thorough a remedy as ground would admit of cannot now be proposed, that if any alteration can be made which will provide another avenue for traffic of heavy goods & give such an alteration in line of direction of the old one as eventually to cause it to present a lower ascent, great benefit will accrue to future interests of Town</p> <p>Para 21: Thinks this can be done, may require an Act of Council to carry it out, for as purchasers of land in Gladstone have been almost entirely persons who have apparently had no intention of occupancy, it happens that hardly a building has been erected which would in any way be affected by alteration necessary for the purpose</p> <p>Para 22: Does not think that any questions as to compensation could arise to impede alteration in the Plan of the Town he is about to propose</p> <p>Para 23: Thinks alteration desirable is similar to that proposed before & which he has marked on accompanying tracing in yellow [tracing not filmed here] viz: to widen Oaka Lane & convert it into a street by moving all the Allotments on its N E side 46 feet back & making up quantity of land finally from vacant space beyond Off Lane</p> <p>Para 24: He also strongly recommends that from its mouth to Oaka Lane the bank of Auckland Inlet should be thrown open as a public Quay</p> <p>Para 25: Such after careful consideration & repeated observations of the ground seems best remedy for inconveniences attendant upon Plan of Gladstone as presently laid out which can now be adopted – if His Excellency coincides in views he has propounded so far, as to think evils pointed out require adoption of some measures for their removal, he has no doubt other plans may suggest themselves to his consideration</p>		

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						<p>Para 26: Only object is to call attention to subject & obtain if possible a remedy to misfortune of throwing open a Seaport Town with its only practicable outlet on the seaboard a narrow lane of 20 feet in width, with streets laid out as to form barriers to progress rather than avenues to traffic</p> <p>Para 27: Must not forget to say that even with alterations he has proposed, he does not mean it to be supposed that Oaka Lane throughout its course will at once become available – on the contrary for a considerable portion of its length it is utterly impracticable but as far as Lord Street it can be used & there is a good road out by Gondoan & Glenlyon Streets</p> <p>Para 28: Will only add in conclusion that as far as he can understand from him in conversation, appears Mr MacCabe takes a very different view to his of commercial importance of Auckland Inlet & hence perhaps the origin of the evils he is now endeavouring to provide a remedy for</p> <p>Para 29: Looks upon Auckland Inlet as the great commercial future of the harbour, opinion he is justified in holding by soundings in accompanying sketch [not filmed here] – these prove vessels drawing 20 feet of water can lay & load in this Inlet, as securely as in a Canal - believes it offers most extraordinary capabilities for improvement & for adaptation to purposes of trade & commerce</p> <p>Also at top: "Recommending an alteration to be made in Plan of the Town of Gladstone - Ent'd 1.BC.P. – Rec'd 13 August 1855"</p> <p>&</p> <p>Notes in margins on p 775 & 776 S.B. vol 7 fol 94</p> <p>Impossible for Government to act upon such a report as this without reference to Survey Department – should like a Plan of the Town – shall probably be going up to Port Curtis in Spring & can look into this question</p> <p>Surveyor General requested to furnish a Plan of the Town – blank cover - to be returned</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Copy of Plan of Town of Gladstone provided herewith as requested</p> <p>Ent'd 55/223 – fol 152 vol 5</p> <p>1855 08 07</p> <p>"W D"</p> <p>1855 08 11</p> <p>W Elyard for the CS "M F"</p> <p>1855 08 13~ 1855 09 10</p> <p>Surveyor General's Office John Thompson D S G for the Surveyor General</p> <p>1855 09 13~</p> <p>1855 09 18</p> <p>"W D"</p> <p>1855 09 25</p> <p>Returned Colonial Secretary's Office & Notes re above Let Mr McCabe [as it is] be directed to submit such a modification of Plan of the Town as may ensure readiest access to the Harbour in landing & shipping places Government Resident, Surveyor General "End of November" [Ref 55/12319]</p>		
	55/08456	1855 08 08	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 08 04	<p>At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands"</p> <p>With reference to his letter 30th March last, transmitting Report from Commissioner Wiseman (dated 3rd July 1855) on state of Aborigines in Leichhardt District</p> <p>Para 2: Mr Wiseman not resident in Leichhardt during 1854, unable to Report on state of Aborigines during that period from personal observations &</p> <p>Notes in margin 55/3162 M F</p> <p>1855 08 08~ 1855 08 09~</p> <p>"M F"</p> <p>Shall copy of this report be forwarded to Secretary of State</p>	A2.32	787

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				"W D" "C D R" "C R"	1855 08 10 1855 08 10~ 1855 08 15	Yes Some grounds for fears expressed by Government Resident Gladstone Considered quite unnecessary to forward report – vide Governor General's Minute on copy herewith Noted		
				"M F"	1855 08 14~ 1855 08 14~	Notes re above Copy for Secretary of State herewith Port Curtis Report does not seem to have yet been sent Home – see 55/02656		788
			Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Crown Lands Office, Sydney Comp ^d ?	Rannes, Leichhardt W H Wiseman Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 07 03	Letter stating he was not resident in Leichhardt District during 1854, unable to make any report of state of Aborigines during that period [Ref C C L letter No 55/615 dated 8 th March 1855 & C C L Circular letter of 22 nd November 1854]: from hearsay which he believes correct, states Aborigines in Leichhardt District still in very wild & savage condition showing decided hostility to whites – Tribe frequenting Upper Dawson River & Upper Waters of Dogwood & Schanning Rivers [as it is – Channing?] running down into Condamine being same tribe which murdered late George Hertel & carried away his sheep had during last year or during first month of this committed 6 murders viz of James MacLaren [also spelt McLaren, McClaren] a squatter, one of his shepherds & 2 of Mr King's shepherds, also a hutkeeper & his wife on the Schanning Tribe claiming Country to south of Rannes more peaceable – natives comprising this tribe & some others of a tribe on Fitzroy River were received at Messrs Hay's Station where though they conducted themselves quietly they seemed indisposed to do any work – some aborigines partly of this tribe & partly of another have during last year frequently menaced Banana, an outstation of Messrs Hay & Holt 25 miles S E of this, & also a station 30 miles N West now temporarily in possession of a Mr Connor Tribe frequenting waters of the McKenzie so very hostile they apparently will attack travelling parties even when little prospect of plunder, as may be concluded from their late attack on Lieut Walker & his Police – like the rest of Australian tribes they seem to be in lowest scale of savage life nor is it likely longer experience of their habits & customs will show any difference from tribes to south already known, or enable him to add any information to the scanty knowledge we already possess of their moral & religious state [see original letter also with notes in margin at p 794-797] & Notes at top Hardly necessary to send it Returned		789 – 793
	55/08456			"W D" "C R"	1855 08 15			
				Rannes, Leichhardt W H Wiseman Commissioner of Crown Lands "31-GB"	1855 07 03	At top: "Commissioner Wiseman" Letter stating he was not resident in Leichhardt District during 1854 ... [No 24/55] [this is original letter – see duplicate copy letter at p 789 – 793 for details] Also at top: "55/3162 – 31 st July 1855" & Notes in margin Report on State of Aborigines Leichhardt District Sent forward in reference to letter of 30 March last Colonial Secretary		794 – 797
				"C R"	1855 08 01~ 1855 08 04			

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				"M F"	1855 03 26~	Notes These reports on state of Aborigines in the several Pastoral Districts all sent in annually in obedience to Lord John Russell's Despatch of 25 th August 1840 No 152 – 2 copies of each Report herewith for Original and Duplicate Despatches, & with original Reports are submitted as usual a very brief Abstract of their contents for Governor General's information - no Reports received from newly established Districts of Port Curtis & Leichhardt - See 55/02656 from Captain O'Connell	A2.32	797 again - 798
				"C D R"	1855 03 28~	Think Governor General will on the whole be pleased with these reports of the Aboriginal natives ... the Colony [difficult to read] [Ref 55/03100]		
	55/03100	1855 04 03	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands "O M"	1855 03 30	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" Letter re outstanding Reports on state of Aborigines in Districts of Port Curtis & Leichhardt (ref CS letter No 122 of 23 rd inst): refers to his letter of 22 nd inst transmitting letter from Commissioner O'Connell accounting for no Report on Aborigines for Port Curtis District being sent in – Commissioner of Leichhardt District has not yet taken charge of his District - hardly in position to report [No 55/112] Also at top: "55/1157" & Notes in margin 55/00951 55/02656 – Chief Commissioner - not with records M F	A2.32	799
				"C D R"	1855 04 04~ 1855 04 04~ 1855 04 05 1855 04 05~	Nothing further appears needed, all the other reports have been submitted This has been explained to Governor General [Ref 55/08456]		
	55/02656	1855 05 23	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney A Orpen Moriarty for the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 03 22	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" Letter re Reports already transmitted from Commissioners of Crown Lands re State of Aborigines in their Districts during 1854: transmits letter from Commissioner O'Connell [Margin: Dated 19 th February 1855] accounting for no Report on Aborigines of Port Curtis being sent [No 55/98] & Notes in margin 55-1026 Forwarded to Secretary of State by Despatch No 37 of 3 rd April 1855 per "Lightning"	A2.32	801 [no p 800]
				"M F"	1855 05 24~	Two copies of Report herewith for Secretary of State Noted [Ref 55/03100]		
				"M F"?	1855 05 26~			
			Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney Comp ^d ?	Gladstone M C O'Connell Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 02 19	Letter informing occupation of District of such recent date & intercourse with Aboriginal natives so limited has no facts or observations on their habits & manners warranting his making any further report than this: has endeavoured to gain their confidence, has succeeded in inducing a few to remain occasionally in neighbourhood of his Camp & make themselves useful – all has gone on peaceably in this manner but acquaintance too recent to enable him to do more than notice the fact of its commencement [duplicate copy of original letter at p 806]		802 – 803
			Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney Comp ^d ?	Gladstone M C O'Connell Commissioner of Crown Lands	1855 02 19	[Duplicate copy of original letter at p 806 – see p 802 for details]		804 – 805

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	55/02656		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	Gladstone M C O'Connell, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands "March 13 - GB"	1855 02 19	At top: "Commissioner of Crown Lands Port Curtis" Also at top: "Accounting for no Reports on Aborigines of that District being sent" "55-1036 - 13 March 1855" [Original letter - duplicated above at p 802 & 804 - see p802 for details] & Notes in margin Blue Book - "No" 1855 02 19~ Send forward in reference to other Reports already transmitted		806 - 807
	55/00951	1855 01 30	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands "M F" "O M"	1855 01 27 1855 02 01~ 1855 03 26~	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" Transmitting Reports on State of Aborigines in Districts named in margin being all that he has received since transmission of those forwarded in his letter 17 th January last (ref CS letter of 14 th November last): Margin: Albert - Clarence River - Lower Darling - Maneroo [No 55/33] Para 2: Only Reports not yet received: Districts of Leichhardt & Port Curtis Also at top: "54-4496" & Notes in margin M F Abstract & copies in duplicate of Reports herewith Noted [Ref 55/02656]	A2.32	808
	55/00647	1855 01 19	Hon CS	Crown Lands Office, Sydney George Barney, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands "M F" "M F"	1855 01 17 1855 03 24~ 1855 03 26~ 1855 03 26~	At top: "Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands" Transmitting Reports on the State of Aborigines in various Districts named in margin being all he has received to date: Margin: Bligh - Gwydir - Lachlan - Liverpool Plains - Moreton and Darling Downs - Murrumbidgee - Maranoa - New England and McLeay - Wellington - Wide Bay & Burnett [No 55/30] Also at top: "54-4496" & Notes in margin M F Abstracts & 2 copies of each Report herewith Noted [Ref 55/00951] <u>Abstract of Report on Aborigines in Wide Bay & Burnett District for 1854</u> In neighbourhood of Wide Bay Blacks very troublesome: two murders, aggravated assaults & numerous robberies having been perpetrated In Interior shepherding on many stations done by natives who have assisted in sheep washing & pressing wool - as general rule they are too migratory for continuous employment 2 blacks poisoned from eating damper made of flour stolen from Store in Maryboro' [as it is - see also Maryborough]	A2.32	809 810 - 811
	55/00647		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	Commissioner's Office, Tinana, Wide Bay Arthur E Halloran, Commissioner of Crown Lands "13 - G B"	1855 01 01	At top: "Commissioner of Crown Lands for District of Wide Bay & Burnett" Forwarding Annual Report on State of Aborigines in this District for 1854 [No 56/1 - as it is - 55/1?] Para 2: During last 6 months outrages committed by aborigines in neighbourhood of Wide Bay on increase, 2 men having been murdered & a woman & her son of 14 years nearly so within a few miles of Maryborough - robberies almost a daily occurrence in & about township - will be many years before any permanent improvement takes place in Coast blacks who		812 - 815

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						<p>are very numerous & whose facilities for eluding pursuit render them very daring in perpetrating their outrages – most serious of depredations committed by blacks “communicated to you”</p> <p>Para 3: In interior of District Stations are near each other, conduct of aborigines presents some features that seem to give promise of inuring them to industrial employment – shepherding on many stations performed almost entirely by blacks who have also assisted in sheep washing & pressing wool - generally too migratory in habits to settle to continuous employment in one place - can never be depended upon by Squatters</p> <p>Para 4: Case occurred in Maryborough few weeks ago creating a great sensation amongst aborigines, & will he fears lead to retaliation – alludes to case “lately reported to you” of 2 aborigines being poisoned from eating damper made out of flour stolen from Store of Mr H Palmer - goes amongst them as much as he can, endeavours to conciliate & make them understand he is there as much for them as for white inhabitants</p> <p>Para 5: During his last journey to inspect Runs in distant & unopened part of District, a white man who for last 15 years has been living amongst aborigines & who is said to have instigated them to commit depredations, was captured by Lieutenant Bligh & his Native Police – circumstance caused great excitement amongst blacks who hung about in considerable numbers on the mountains during our stay in that locality</p> <p>Para 6: Issue of blankets had for some time a beneficial effect on Blacks & as long as he had a small Party of Native Police entirely under his control, this portion of the District was comparatively quiet</p> <p>Para 7: On the whole regrets that notwithstanding his exertions to prevent it, outrages by Blacks on increase during past year & progress of civilisation has certainly not increased since his last report & life & property are in constant danger from their aggression</p> <p>Also at top: “55/226 – 13th January 1855”</p>		
	55/00647		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	“M F” District of Maranoa, Crown Lands Office, Surat H Whitty Commissioner of Crown Lands “Jan ^y 6 – G B”	1855 03 26~ 1855 01 01	<p><u>Abstract of Report on Aborigines in Maranoa District for 1854</u></p> <p>No improvement has taken place in their habits & conduct, nor is it anticipated that they will be reclaimed from their wild & savage habits for some years to come – same system of committing aggressions on property of Squatters continues & it is mentioned that 2 Stations were attacked & that occupiers sustained great loss top their property</p> <p>At top: “Commissioner Whitty”</p> <p><u>Aborigines Report</u></p> <p>Transmitting his 4th Report on conditions & prospects of Native Tribes frequenting his District: unable to report any improvement in general habits & conduct, nor can he anticipate any probability of their reclamation from wild, savage habits in which they have been bred, for some years to come [No 55/2]</p> <p>Para 2: Present year marked by same system of aggression upon property of whites & by same hostility which he has mentioned in former Reports</p> <p>Para 3: Attacks made on Stations of Mr McEnroe & Mr Gordon in which these men received severe injuries, fortunately not attended by loss of life</p> <p>Para 4: Has been his constant object to secure good opinion & confidence of native population & to acquire influence over them by distribution of annual supply of blankets & other clothing supplied by government – only in a few instances has he met with success</p> <p>Para 5: Immense extent of Maranoa District, dense Scrubs by which it is</p>		816 817 – 819

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	55/00647		Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Sydney	<p>"G B"</p> <p>"M F"</p> <p>Crown Lands Office, Woogaroo S Simpson, Commissioner of Crown Lands "Jan" 8/55 – "G B"</p> <p>"G B"</p>	<p>1855 03 26~</p> <p>1854 12 31</p>	<p>intersected & thinness of white population will prevent for some years the achievement of any great success in their civilization - assures his constant exertions shall be directed towards amelioration of their condition in every way that comes within scope of his influence Also at top: "55-163 – 8th January 1855" & Note in margin – Attach to other reports ... ? [very faint]</p> <p><u>Abstract of Report on Aborigines in Moreton [as it is] and Darling Downs Districts for 1854</u> Aboriginal inhabitants continue peaceable with exception of occasional atrocity committed by those located on Sea Coast – to remedy this the occasional occupation of Bribies & Frazer's Islands by the Native Police is suggested [as it is – see also Bribie Island & Fraser Island] – moral, social & industrial state of Blacks remains same as in former years</p> <p>At top: "Commissioner Simpson" <u>Report on State of Aborigines of Moreton Bay & Darling Downs Districts for year ending December 31, 1854</u> Has much satisfaction in repeating his favourable report of last year as to peaceable disposition of Aborigines of Moreton Bay & Darling Downs Districts during past year – not a single act of violence reported to him from any of the 200 Stations in interior of these Districts – if it were not for occasional atrocity committed by Aborigines on Sea Coast, for the most part on imprudent or defenceless Boating Parties in Moreton Bay, their presence in District would scarcely be noticed Believes only efficient remedy for this evil would be occasional occupation of Bribie & Frazer Islands [as it is] by Native Police Force - little doubt that these Islands are great rendezvous of evil disposed Black of the Coast, no effort having yet been made to cross the water after them - as to moral, social & industrial state of Aborigines, has nothing to add to former reports Also at top: "55-166 – 8th January 1855" & Note in margin – Attach these to other papers of similar description</p>		<p>820</p> <p>821 - 822</p>
	55/08479	1855 08 07	Hon Acting CS	Port Master's Office, Sydney Merion Moriarty, Port Master	1855 08 04	<p>At top: "Port Master" [<i>Printed copy of this letter – see New South Wales Legislative Council Journal 1856-57, vol.1 – p886, No 25; see also relevant letters in A2.28, A2.30 & A2.31</i>] Letter suggesting for consideration expediency of increasing pay of person who had charge of Buoy Boat "Pearl": left Establishment in consequence of not being adequately paid (ref CS letter 2nd Inst No 209 – Margin: 55/08122) [No 55/154] Para 2: Schooner "Pearl" about 32 tons built at great expense by Mr Chowne for a yacht [as it is – yacht?] for Messrs Challis & Want – tested on various occasions along coast from Jervis Bay to Moreton Bay – proved admirable sea boat, & after examination by 2 Senior Assistant Harbour Masters & Mr Cuthbert, Surveyor, was approved & purchased by government as Buoy Boat for Moreton Bay - that is for purpose of examining Buoys when necessary either for painting or replacing (if washed away), a frequent occurrence - further intended that as Pilots found it frequently difficult & dangerous to return to Moreton Island in their open boats, they should be conveyed in the "Pearl" which it was supposed would</p>	A2.32	823 – 825

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				"W D"	1855 08 09 1855 08 11	be generally stationed at mouth of Brisbane River – previous to purchase of "Pearl" tenders called (thinks twice) for building suitable vessel - as lowest Tender was £1875 when £1000 was amount available for purchase, Government constrained to procure most suitable vessel for that amount & Notes in margin Do not see that this proves necessity of an addition to crew - Master & 2 men with help of Pilots & crew occasionally will I think be sufficient – at all events I will look into the matter on the spot when I go to Moreton Bay Port Master		
	55/08520	1855 08 10	Hon CS	Office of Inspector General of Police, Sydney W C Mayne, Inspector General of Police "C D R" "W D"	1855 08 09 1855 08 11~ 1855 08 11 1855 08 21	At top: "Inspector General of Police" Acknowledging receipt of CS letter of 8 th inst No 55/237 [Margin: 55/08297] forwarding letter from Surveyor General with enclosure from Police Magistrate Ipswich re site for Police Paddock (tracing of land suitable for such purpose being also transmitted): states under Sir Thomas Mitchell's report, appears no objection to temporary appropriation for purpose of Police Paddock at Ipswich, an area of 40 acres of land laid down in Assistant Surveyor Roberts tracing as situated on Deebing Creek [Margin: Tracing returned herewith] [No 55/172] & Notes in margin Land in question may be appropriated for Police Paddock Surveyor General informed, Inspector General of Police "H W B"	A2.32	826 – 827
	55/08297	1855 07 31	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell "H H"	1855 07 27 1855 08 01~ 1855 08 01 1855 08 08~	At top: "Surveyor General" Also at top: "55/3591" Forwarding copy letter received 5 th inst from Police Magistrate Ipswich re Police Paddock there, together with tracing received from Assistant Surveyor Roberts in charge at Moreton Bay, showing situation of 2 portions of land on Deebing Creek which he considers suitable [No 55/615] Para 2: Application of Colonel Gray should have been made to Inspector General of Police, to whom it can now be referred if necessary – not aware of any objection to temporary appropriation of 40 acres in situation shown on tracing – submits application in order to receive instructions P S Areas shown in tracing much more extensive than usually allowed – has therefore named 40 acres as area which has heretofore been generally deemed sufficient & Notes in margin Let reference be made to Inspector General of Police Inspector General of Police [Ref 55/08520] "H W B"	A2.32	828 – 830
	55/08297		Surveyor General	Police Office, Ipswich Charles George Gray, Police Magistrate	1855 03 30	<u>Enclosure in Surveyor General's letter to Colonial Secretary No 55/615 of 27 July 1855</u> At top: "Police Magistrate Ipswich" Letter stating understands ground presently occupied as Police Paddock of this District has never been sanctioned nor applied for to Government for that purpose - does not agree with that marked on plan of Town of Ipswich as drawn in 1843 [No 2] Para 2: Requests Assistant Surveyor at Brisbane be authorised to point out		831 – 833

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	55/08297					ground in neighbourhood proper for Police Paddock before land fit for such a purpose be disposed of Para 3: Anxious to do this as soon as possible, present paddock is in immediate vicinity of land required for town allotments - will in all probability be applied for to be surveyed for that purpose – fence now unserviceable, fit time for surveying fresh ground for Police Paddock Tracing showing position of two portions of land most suitable for Police Paddock in neighbourhood of Ipswich Scale – 2 miles to 1 inch Direction North indicated Features marked: Town of Ipswich, County of Churchill, County of Stanley, Bremer River, Deebing Creek, "To Drayton", Portion A, Portion B S B vol 7 Fol 83		834
	55/08600	1855 08 13	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident "C D R" "W E" "H H B"	1855 08 07 1855 08 13~ 1855 08 15 1855 08 13~ 1855 08 17 1855 08 18~ 1855 08 20~	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Reporting arrival on 30 th ult of ship "Cambodia" with 328 Government Immigrants – all in healthy state, have been received in Depot – enclosed letters addressed "to you" [not filmed here] received with papers relating to the "Cambodia" [No 55/180] Also at top: "Reporting arrival of Immigrant ship "Cambodia" and transmitting Despatches from Emigration Commissioners" & Notes in margin For information Agent for Immigration – blank cover – noted <u>Immigration</u> 55/3753 – 16 August 1855 to be submitted separately Read & returned – blank cover Noted Returned Colonial Secretary's Office - "Put by"	A2.32	835 – 836
	55/08602	1855 08 13	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident W Elyard for the CS "M F" Surveyor General's Office, Sydney - John Thompson, D S G for the Surveyor General "C D R"	1855 08 07 1855 08 14~ 1855 08 17 1855 09 03 1855 09 05 1855 09 06~ 1855 09 12	At top: "Government Resident Moreton Bay" Letter re site for Temperance Lodging House in Brisbane in consequence of that applied for by Chairman of Temperance Society, being included in a temporary Reserve (ref CS letter 3 rd February last – Margin: 54/09408): having brought matter again under notice of Society, members still think proposed site the most eligible, have no objection to wait until Sections in that part of Town are brought forward for sale, provided that portion of Section No 23 viz the south-east corner originally applied for, may then be reserved for their use [No 55/179] Also at top: "Ent ^d 1.BC.B – rec'd 18 August 1855" & Notes in margin M F Surveyor General requested to report – blank cover – noted – to be returned No objection to proposal & portion of land specified has accordingly been reserved, but a long period may elapse before land can be brought to sale Ent ^d 55/212 – fol 148 vol 5 Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Inform Government Resident as above Government Resident, Surveyor General	A2.32	837 – 838

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	54/09408	1854 10 30	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident	1854 10 19	At top: "Government Resident at Moreton Bay" Transmitting letter from Chairman of a meeting of Friends of Temperance held Brisbane with view to establish Lodging House to be conducted on temperance principles, requesting grant of land for purpose of erecting suitable building [No 54/209] Para 2: Not aware whether portions of land can be granted for such purposes, recommends request of Temperance Committee to favourable consideration – if such Establishment could be provided, great benefit to be conferred on labouring members of community, particularly that portion residing in the country who, when visiting Brisbane, are compelled to resort to Public Houses to obtain board & lodging – subjected to temptation, are led to indulge in excessive use of spirituous liquors Para 3: Site named appears to be very eligible one, situated in part of town unlikely to be great thoroughfare Also at top: "Ent ^d 1.BC.B – rec'd 2 November 1854" & Notes in margins p 839: Not aware of any objection to grant of land for such purpose – refer to Surveyor General respecting site applied for Referred to Surveyor General for this purpose – blank cover Noted – to be returned p 840: By letter "addressed to me" of subsequent date to this, namely 27 October, Captain Wickham recommends reservation for the present of Section 23, out of which selection in question is made Reservation is connected with consideration of supply of water for town of Brisbane – thinks Captain Wickham be requested to explain & authorised to tell applicants to select elsewhere if he is now of opinion that their selection is objectionable Ent ^d 54/349 fol 70 – vol 5 Returned Colonial Secretary's Office Shall Government Resident be asked what he has done in this respect - matter may I think be left in his hands [<i>difficult to read</i>] Approved Government Resident "In a month" – resubmitted p 841: I am of same opinion & Notes re above p 842: Refer to Captain Wickham to arrange as to proper site for building & report when matters are settled for information of government Government Resident "In 3 months" – resubmitted 55/08602 To be reminded? Not answered Enquire re state of the matter Government Resident "End of Month" – resubmitted "End of September" [Ref 55/08602]	A2.32	839 – 842
				"C A F"	1854 10 31~			
				W Elyard for the CS	1854 11 01			
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				Surveyor General's Office, Sydney	1854 11 23			
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	54/09408		Capt J C Wickham R N, Government Resident	Brisbane Nathaniel Turner, Acting Chairman	1854 08 31	Enclosure to letter from Government Resident Moreton Bay of <u>19 October 1854 No 54/209</u> Letter informing Friends of Temperance in these Districts consider it very		843 – 844

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						desirable that Lodging House be established in Brisbane, to be conducted upon Temperance Principle, for accommodation of Bushmen & persons of that class visiting Brisbane, similar to those useful Establishments "Sailors Homes" found so beneficial in the parent country Committee of Brisbane District Total Abstinence Society have resolved (through promises of support from gentlemen connected with squatting & other interests) to endeavour to effect a so very desirable an object, & to further assist them in so doing, solicit his influence with Executive in Sydney to permit a portion of land in Section No 23 of this township (at present unsold) to be granted to Trustees as to admit of erection of suitable premises for purpose required Committee deem it scarcely necessary to urge necessity of such an Establishment being opened – your long sojourn in Brisbane must have made you aware of Bushmen & others coming to Town, particularly at the Assize time & often shearing season, have no chance of obtaining lodgings except at Public Houses, where too frequently their every penny is squandered in wasteful indulgences, to serious injury of their health & from experience, to subsequent expenditure of Hospital funds		
	55/08604	1855 08 13	Hon CS~	Brisbane J C Wickham Government Resident	1855 08 07	Government Resident Moreton Bay" Letter re CS letter of 4 th May last, transmitting authority for Commissioner of Crown Lands for Moreton Bay District to proceed against parties illegally occupying Crown Lands on Brisbane River – also to CS letter of 4 th ult No 55/03900 requesting his report as to what has been done [No 55/181] Para 2: Informs parties were proceeded against in Police Court & fine £10 imposed upon them, & were ordered to quit premises occupied by them & Notes in margin	A2.32	845 – 846
				"W D"	1855 08 14~ 1855 08 15~	M F		
	55/03900 [partly obscured]	1855 04 26	Hon CS	Surveyor General's Office, Sydney T L Mitchell	1855 04 24	At top: "Surveyor General" Letter re certain parties in illegal occupation of portion of Crown Lands in Parish of Goodna on bank of Brisbane River as shown on accompanying tracing [not filmed here]: suggests instructions be given for abatement of encroachment to Resident at that place [No 55/303] Also at top: "Respecting encroachment on Village Reserve at Red Bank [see also Redbank] Parish of Goodna" "Campbell & Stephens" & Notes in margin & across part of letter	A2.32	847 – 848
				"M F"	1855 04 26~ 1855 04 28~	M F Commissioner of Crown Lands for District is proper officer to proceed in this matter – presume authority may be forwarded to him for this purpose through Government Resident at Brisbane Approved		
				"C D R" "W D"	1855 05 01~ 1855 05 01 1855 05 04	Government Resident Authority to proceed forwarded dated 4 th May 1855 "End of month" "H H" "End of June" - resubmitted 55/08604		
				"M F"	1855 07 06~ 1855 07 10~	Commissioner of District has since resigned – shall Government Resident be asked what has been done?		

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					1855 07 14	Yes Government Resident [<i>difficult to read</i>] & Notes re above - "End of August" [55/08604]		
	55/08800	1855 08 17	Hon CS	Office of Inspector General of Police, Sydney W C Mayne, Inspector General of Police "W D" "C D R"	1855 08 16 1855 08 20 1855 08 17~ 1855 08 25	At top: "Inspector General of Police" Returning letter from Bench of Magistrates Dalby (forwarded under CS Blank cover Memo of 15 th inst) transmitting application from Chief Constable of that District to be allowed £20-7-0 expense incurred by him in erection of temporary lockup there [No 55/178] Under report of Justices that building necessary, beneficial & faithfully built, will submit for consideration the allowance to Mr Eastaughffe of £20-7-0 chargeable on Vote for Repairs to Police Buildings beyond Settled District during the present year [Margin: £500] [<i>letter very faint & difficult to read</i>] & Notes in margin Entirely contrary to rule to allow such expenses to be incurred by Constable without authority – he should be reprimanded for acting without orders or reference to superior authority & warned in a future occasion he will not be paid his expenses – in present instance if there is money he may be paid May be allowed Inspector General, Auditor General	A2.32	849 – 851
	55/08680	1855 08 15	Hon CS	Dalby, Darling Downs Joshua P Bell JP Colin J MacKenzie JP "W E"	1855 07 21 1855 08 15 1855 08 18~	At top: "Bench of Magistrates Dalby" Forwarding letter received from Chief Constable Dalby requesting assistance in obtaining recompense for money expended in erecting temporary lockup at Dalby, at a time when District was without Police Office or lockup, which disadvantage the District is still under owing to existing difficulty in obtaining materials for building purposes - have no hesitation in recommending £20-7-0 be placed on Estimates, amount paid by Chief Constable – District has benefitted by building lockup, will be benefitted in times of flood when township of Dalby is divided & communication cut off by Myall Creek which runs through its centre – temporary lockup being on opposite side of water to that on which permanent one is about to be built with Court House – further state temporary building is strong & substantial though rough in appearance Also at top: "55/3711 – August 16" & Notes in margin Inspector General of Police – blank cover – noted – to be returned Answ ^d [Ref 55/08800] "H W B"	A2.32	852 – 854
	55/08680		Bench of Magistrates	Dalby Police Office Charles Douglas Eastaughffe Chief Constable	1855 07 07	At top: "55/3711" Letter submitting for consideration that he has been at heavy expense in putting up temporary lockup at Dalby – has cost him including blacksmiths work £20-7-0 & Note re above – Received 7 th July 1855 – "J B"		855
	55/08817	1855 08 16	Hon CS	Civil Engineer's Office, Sydney Gother K Mann	1855 08 15	At top: "Civil Engineer" Transmitting letter for information of Governor General [Margin: 13 August 1855] [No 163] Para 2: Mr Mylrea's has made complaints against Mr Thomas his Senior Officer of s frivolous or absurd nature & Mr Mylrea has been informed accordingly	A2.32	856 – 857

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	55/08817		Civil Engineer	Civil Engineer's Department, FitzRoy Dry Dock F Garland Mylrea	1855 08 13~ 1855 08 16~ 1855 08 16~ 1855 08 16~ 1855 07 03	<p>Para 3: Mr Mylrea has not performed his duties satisfactorily, at first neglecting them - only under fear of dismissal that he then attended to them & Notes in margin 55/08775 / Captain Mann / For Mr Mylrea's removal A Minute has been received today for the removal of Mr Mylrea Nothing need be done on this No – Mr Mylrea saw me this morning - informed him he was dismissed & need not hope for future employment</p> <p>At top: "Left at his Office 14th August 4 PM – G K M" Referring to intention of Civil Engineer to "recommend my removal", requests he will forward this letter as an enclosure or at same time: Feels he has performed duties in every possible way to admit of strictest scrutiny – has put office in good working order & done everything for the service within his power, & that Engineer's sole tangible objection to him arises from his not being friendly with Mr Thomas (who has not even the respect of <u>any one person</u> on the Island) – discusses - considers he has discharged his duties efficiently, has a right to some justice or enquiry into his & Mr Thomas' conduct at the hands of Government before the Governor General takes his recommendation into consideration & Note in margin - Enclosure with Civil Engineer's letter No 163, 15 August</p>		858 – 859
	55/08775	1855 08 14	Hon CS	Civil Engineer's Office, Sydney Gother K Mann	1855 08 13 1855 08 15~ 1855 08 15 1855 08 18 1855 08 22	<p>At top: "Civil Engineer" Letter bringing under notice of Governor General enclosed extracts from Record Books of his office at Cockatoo Island [No 162] Para 2: Has inquired into matter referred to & submits following facts: Mr Mylrea did come over to him from Cockatoo Island during breakfast time with some papers which he requested might be forwarded to Audit Office – these documents were not of an urgent nature, were totally unconnected with duties of Department to which Mr Mylrea belongs, being in fact a private communication on subject of auditing accounts generally Mr Mylrea did leave the Island contrary to his instructions, not having obtained permission from Senior Resident Officer of Engineer's Department, having merely sent a message by prisoner servant which message that Officer properly refused to acknowledge That Counter entries in Books of Department were made by Mr Mylrea without his sanction & before he had enquired into the complaint Para 3: Has before had occasion to reprimand Mr Mylrea for similar irregularities & is now quite unable to place any confidence or reliance in him, his whole object appearing to be how to evade, not how to comply with requisite discipline of a Public Establishment Para 4: Such conduct highly detrimental to public interests, requests authority for removal of Mr Mylrea from service in his Department & that he be favoured with instructions re appointment of successor to the office & Notes in margin Under circumstances stated by Mr Mann, presume services of Mr Mylrea may be dispensed with Mr Mylrea to be dismissed Civil Engineer Auditor General</p>	A2.32	860 – 863

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	55/08775				1855 08 08~	<p><u>Enclosure in Civil Engineer's letter No 162, 13 August 1855</u> "Copy"</p> <p>Extract of Memorandum made by Mr Thomas in Weekly State "Memoranda" and Counter statement made by Mr Mylrea: 8th August~ [obscured] – Mr Mylrea left Island this day without leave in direct opposition to instructions of Civil Engineer Counter entry by Mr Mylrea: Mr Thomas directed this to be inserted, but as Civil Engineer is aware, <u>it was during Breakfast Hour to see him</u>, & Memorandum is otherwise untrue as sent my servant to tell Mr Thomas "that I was going over to Civil Engineer for a few minutes & to ask him if he wanted anything" – this message the servant gave to Mr Thomas & received no reply - "F Garland Mylrea – 8th August - 10 o'clock" & "13th August 1855 – G K M"</p> <p>At top: "Enclosure in Civil Engineer's letter No 162, 13 August 1855" "Copy"</p> <p><u>Extract from Mr Mylrea's Day Book</u> 8th August – Mr Mylrea went across to Civil Engineer's House (to get some public papers taken in to Sydney) <u>during the Breakfast Hour</u> having first sent up to Mr Thomas to tell him "I was going across & if he wanted anything" - upon his return, he found Mr Thomas had caused entry to be made in Weekly State Book <u>which entry was entirely untrue</u> & solely done as evident with malicious intent (has appended a reply following the remark in Weekly State for information & Notice of Civil Engineer – as it is <u>neither</u> the first, second nor <u>third time</u> that <u>Mr Thomas</u> has tried to injure me by <u>stating untruths</u> since I ceased to visit (him) "F Garland Mylrea" "13 August 1855 – G K M"</p>		865
			Colonial Secretary's Office John Stirling William Macpherson Gother K Mann		1855 03 06	<p>At top: "M12725 – 8th March 1855"</p> <p>Report of Board appointed by Colonial Secretary's letter dated 2nd March 1855, to report upon qualifications of Frederick Garland Mylrea proposed to <u>be appointed Clerk of the Third Class in Department of Civil Engineer</u> Having examined Mr Mylrea in Orthography, English Grammar & Arithmetic feel satisfied he is fully qualified for situation of Clerk of Third Class – he wrote prescribed Memorandum within ten minutes & is about 27 years of age – this report is a specimen of his handwriting & Notes in margin For approval</p> <p>Auditor General, Civil Engineer [Ref 55/08775]</p>	A2.32	866
			Colonial Secretary's Office	F Garland Mylrea	"W D" 1855 03 08~ 1855 03 09 1855 03 10~	<p>At top: "M12725"</p> <p>Memorandum Governor directs candidate for Clerkship under examination by usual Board, shall be required to write from dictation contents of this paper – rapid execution in writing no less essential than neatness, His Excellency requests Board will certify exact number of minutes & seconds occupied by candidate in so doing Candidate to be informed by Board that every clerk in employ of</p>		867 - 869

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
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