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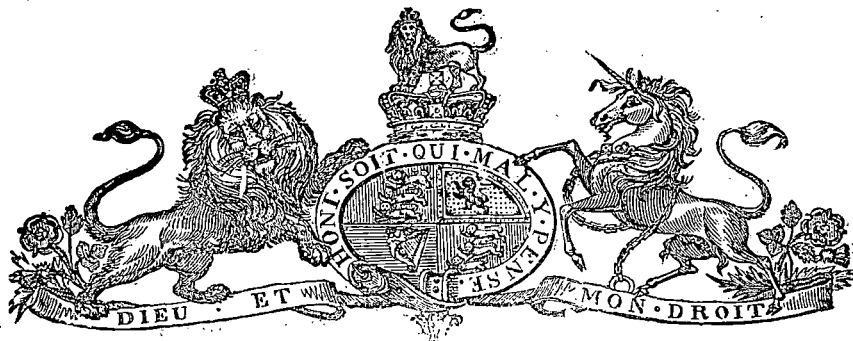
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Laid upon the Table by the Minister of Lands and Works, October 7, 1873, and
ordered by the House to be printed.



	£	s.	d.
Miss Laura Bishton purchased Lot 3966, 50 acres, Parish Kentisbury, 13th March, 1867, for £67 4s., and paid deposit and two instalments, amounting to.....	26	17	8
and then defaulted on the payment of 3rd instalment.			
Also Lot 4363, 51A. 3R. 33P., Parish Stowport, 2nd April, 1867, for £74 8s., and paid deposit and two instalments, amounting to.....	29	15	4
and defaulted on payment of 3rd instalment.			
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Both lots have been put up to auction and bought in by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

4th January, 1873.

MY DEAR SIR,

ALTHOUGH I have not had the pleasure of meeting you since I was a child, still for the old acquaintance existing between my uncle Wright and yourself, and also your having known my father, I write to ask a favour of you; namely—if you would kindly use your interest in laying before the right person in office my case as regard two blocks of land, about 50 acres each, taken up by me about six years since, the one in the Parish of Kentisbury, the other in that of Stowport, more commonly known as the “Kentish” and the “Blyth.”

I have paid about £48 on them, which does not complete the purchase money for one of them. I and a younger sister have been struggling for a livelihood by keeping a school; and having been unable to pay any instalment for the last three years, I want to know whether the money paid is entirely forfeited, or if it could be carried on afresh, or is transferable as it now stands?

Whether the money now paid could go towards the taking up one block, though paid on the two?

I would rather not pay any more on them, but wait until they should be asked for, and then transfer. About Ten Pounds more would complete the purchase. The land at the Blyth is likely to be most valuable, and more easily disposed of. Of course I have the necessary papers, also the receipts, excepting one received by my brother in Tasmania, and not forwarded, has got mislaid.

I shall feel grateful for your attention to my letter, and am satisfied I could not have placed it in better hands.

I remain,
Yours truly,

LAURA BISHTON.

The Hon. C. MEREDITH,
Minister Lands and Works.

Office of Lands and Works, 15th January, 1873.

MADAM,

I AM desired by the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Works to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, on the subject of certain purchases made by you on credit in the Parishes of Kentisbury and Stowport, in the County of Devon, and which were in default of payment of the 3rd instalments put up for Sale by Auction, and bought in by the Commissioner of Crown Lands; and in reply to express his regret that it is totally out of his power to comply with your request.

Mr. Meredith will, however, (if you desire it), have great pleasure in moving the Governor in Council to permit you to resume possession of the lots in question, or either of them, on payment of the arrears due upon them; but he sees no other way by which he can assist you in obtaining the object you have in view.

I have the honor to be,
Madam,
Your very obedient Servant,

H. JOCELYN HULL.

*Miss LAURA BISHTON, Mrs. M^c Culloch,
209, Eastern-road, Emerald Hill,
Melbourne, Victoria.*

209, Eastern Road, Emerald Hill, 20th January, 1873.

MISS BISHTON returns thanks to the Honorable the Minister of Lands for his kind interest in her behalf, and much regrets her inability to pay up the arrears on the Lots or Lot in question, and the forfeiture of the money already paid on them.