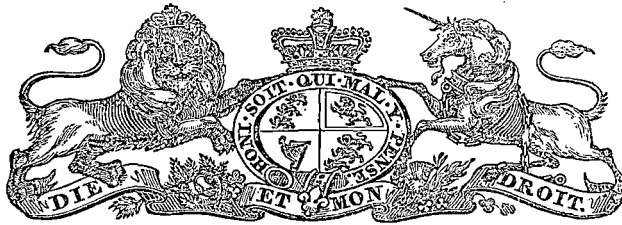


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C O R R E S P O N D E N C E

RELATIVE TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. SPRENT TO THE HEAD  
OF THE SURVEY DEPARTMENT.

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Laid upon the Table by Mr. Henty, and ordered by the Council to be printed,  
18 December, 1857.



*Colonial Secretary's Office, 25th June, 1857.*

SIR,

I AM instructed to acquaint you that the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint you Chief Surveyor and acting Surveyor-General of the Colony.

In making this intimation, it is my duty to convey to you the deep sense which His Excellency and Council entertain of the importance of the Department entrusted to you ; and that they look to you for the adoption or recommendation of such measures as may be necessary to secure its economical, its efficient, and its harmonious working. They desire that you should not hesitate, in any exigency that may arise, to appeal to them for support, which, you may rely upon it, will be promptly and cheerfully accorded.

I have to request that, immediately on your taking charge of the Survey Department, you will make known the purport of this communication to those who will thenceforth be under your orders.

I have, &c.

W. HENTY.

JAMES SPRENT, *Esq.*

P.S. The Surveyor-General has been instructed to hand over the Department to you on the 1st proximo.

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*Hobart Town, 27th June, 1857.*

SIR,

WHEN I had the honor of submitting to you my letter of the 15th instant, on the contemplated changes in the Department I belong to, I was impelled thereto, not only in support of my own claims to promotion, but to prevent the advancement over me of any junior member of it.

I beg to state that I have since learned it is the intention of the Executive Government, in removing Mr. Power from its charge, to confide the same to a gentleman subordinate in rank to myself, namely, Mr. Sprent.

In respectfully remonstrating against an arrangement which places me under a junior officer, it will be hardly possible to avoid touching slightly on our respective merits and claims to consideration ; but I rely in full confidence on your justice not to attribute the same to any ill-natured or unworthy motives.

Of the superiority of my official position to that of the gentleman in question, I shall only have to acquaint you that the same is based on seniority, and a Royal appointment, (superadded to many valuable services rendered in the 28 years I have been employed in the Department), to secure your immediate recognition of it. A few details of the nature of those services—both special and ordinary—are contained in the letter, &c. I had the honor of submitting to you on the 15th instant, and to which I beg to refer you, in the full assurance that they will not fail to convince you that my claims to promotion are too strong to be overlooked.

On what grounds, whether of presumed superior talent, or of greater utility to the Government, Mr. Sprent is to be placed above me, it falls not within my province to enquire into ; but I am sure you will excuse the natural expressions of surprise that he should be preferred to a senior officer, and to the man from whom he acquired his present profession.

Without raising any invidious questions as to the manner in which we have respectively performed our field survey duties, I will claim permission to state, that my own will bear a creditable comparison with those of any Surveyor employed by the Government, either in past or present times: and that this fact has been long both tacitly and avowedly acknowledged by the Department, is fully borne out by the circumstance of the invariable selection of myself, for many years, for the performance of the very nicest but most difficult duties that devolve on the office I am connected with; namely, the investigation and adjustment of all disputed boundary questions that have arisen, either from defective surveys or long-standing encroachments, and which have never, I believe, been confided to another. These are labours, Sir, which though they add but little to the sum of a Surveyor's work, yet demand such an amount of labour and discrimination as is absolutely incredible to those inexperienced in such duties.

The reasons of this uniform selection of myself for the settlement of these difficult and often most vexatious questions, I need not expatiate on; but that it is an honourable testimony of the confidence of successive chiefs of office in my trustworthiness and skill, there can, I imagine, be no second opinion about.

Of the appreciation of my services and general conduct by the late D. S. General, (who had the amplest opportunities of knowing me, and against whose evidence none can take exception,) I furnished you with a statement on the 15th instant, to which I will now claim your permission to add a second:—"Publicly or privately, I shall, whenever the opportunity offers, draw attention to your claims as the senior Surveyor, not only from position in the Department, but also from your superior ability and experience in the general and more important duties of the Department."\*

Of such official records of mine, either my numerous plans or many topographical reports presented to the office, I must state that they will stand the severest comparisons with any preserved there: and that the institution of such examination would not prove to my disadvantage, every gentleman in the Department competent to give an opinion on them will concur in.

I will further take the liberty of adding, that if the presumed professional superiority of Mr. Sprent rests on the belief that any very great ability has been either required or displayed in the trigonometrical operations carried on here, that such will not be borne out by the indisputable evidence of fact. I do not propose troubling you with the uninteresting details of the solution of trigonometrical problems, but respectfully yet most seriously assure you, that they demand no loftier attainments than an acquaintance with two of the simplest rules of rudimentary arithmetic,—namely, common addition and subtraction; for logarithmic calculations (whereby the final results of Geodesia are obtained) allow of *nothing more*; and as for the field operations (or "observations" as they are termed) that supply the original data, they are purely mechanical. There is, indeed, next to nothing in it; and it is surely injudicious to claim for any one a reputation for superior professional attainments on the ground of his being equal to the simple tasks of taking an instrumental observation, and to calculate the sides of a triangle, which are all that trigonometry consists of.

I now most respectfully appeal to the Executive Government against my supercession by Mr. Sprent, and trust that my long and arduous services will not, at this period of governmental changes, be overlooked in favour of a gentleman who has so little to show on the side of public utility as he; nor that my just claims be set aside and passed over for the advancement of a gentleman whose professional attainments, abilities, or education can never be rated above my own, while his standing in the Department is, in fact, inferior to mine.

With full confidence in the justice of the Government, I rely on their giving their maturest consideration to my claims as set forth in the present and preceding letter of the 15th instant, and not overlook them by appointing—even temporarily—to an office I may now justly aspire to occupy a gentleman whose claims to promotion are, I most respectfully submit, far from overbalancing my own.

I have, &c.

*The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.*

J. E. CALDER.

\* I may add, that the present Surveyor-General, in his official reports, has done me the justice to speak in the highest terms of my abilities.

*Colonial Secretary's Office, 29th June, 1857.*

SIR,

I HAVE to acknowledge your communication of the 27th instant, wherein you object to contemplated changes in the Survey Department, and urge your own claims as being Mr. Sprent's senior, and on other grounds, to the promotion assigned to that gentleman. In reply, I beg to inform you that the Governor and Council do not feel themselves bound by the consideration of length of service in reducing public officers, or in advancing them to positions of responsibility: they are guided solely by a reference to the general qualifications required in any office to which they make an appointment.

I have, &c.

W. HENTY.

J. E. CALDER, *Esq.*

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*Hobart Town, 15th June, 1857.*

SIR,

I VERY respectfully take permission to lay before you a copy of a petition presented by me to the Honorable the Legislative Council on the 16th January last, and which was received by that body the next day.

I take this step at a moment when I have heard that there is a probability of a change being made in the management of the Department of which I am a member, with the view of placing before the Ministry the indubitably strong claims I have to promotion, in the event of any opportunity occurring for raising me from the situation of senior Surveyor, an office I have now held for the long period of 28 years; and which claims are distinctly set forth in the copy I respectfully solicit permission to lay before you.

If, however, I have been misinformed as to the intentions of the Government in reference to the Survey Department, you will then permit me to express the sincere regret I shall be under in discovering that I have submitted my claims to promotion inopportunately.

You will permit me here to touch on a subject not introduced into Petition.

It has been a matter of much satisfaction to me that the Government have already admitted my "merits and claims" to promotion (21st February, 1856); and have further acquainted me (2nd January, 1857,) "that every consideration will be given to my claims" (to advancement in the Department) "when the opportunity occurs for so doing." Nor has it been less gratifying to me that Major Cotton, on retiring from the Department (25th March, 1856,) should have thus voluntarily placed on record the sense he entertained of my services, and his high appreciation of the manner in which I had conducted my duties during the 8½ years I was under his command:—

"I beg to tender to you my thanks for your services to the Government in this Department while it has been under my control.

"Your high qualifications as a Surveyor, with your long experience, are well known to Government; but I feel it a duty to place on record my estimation of them, and the satisfactory manner in which you have invariably conducted the duties assigned to you while I have held the direction of the Survey operations."

With such forcible evidences as the above in my favour, taken conjunctively with the facts set forth in the accompanying paper, I venture to express a hope that the Ministry will be pleased to entertain my present application for promotion, as I feel convinced that after mature consideration of my services to the Government, they will neither suffer me to receive injustice, nor permit my strong and just pretensions to advancement to be overlooked; in which belief I now entrust my claims to their deliberations.

I have, &c.

J. E. CALDER.

*The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.*

Hobart Town, 29th June, 1857.

SIR,

IN reply to your letter of the 26th instant desiring me to forward a return of the work done by me since the 1st of January, 1852, I beg to express my regret at not being in a position to do so; for I could not trust myself to render you anything like a just and correct account of it with only the very imperfect data I have in my possession to refer to.

Presuming, however, that the Return now called for is for the information of the Executive Government, I think it but due to myself to add that, *whatever instructions* I have received from the Department during any period of my service, I have invariably carried them out with as little delay as circumstances admitted of, not only *since*, but *before* the year named in your letter. This explanation, which it will not be thought improper to make, will prove that I have always done whatever has been required of me.

If I am right in the idea expressed in the last paragraph, I will then respectfully ask the favour of your submitting this letter as an accompaniment to any return of my work which you may cause to be prepared in the office.

I have, &c.

J. E. CALDER.

*The Surveyor-General.*

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I BEG to submit this letter, with the expression of my regret that Mr. Calder has not made any addition to my Return of the amount of work performed by him, of which, I presume, his Field notes would have afforded sufficient data, had anything beyond that contained in my Report been effected.

R. POWER.

30th June, 1857.

*The Honourable the Colonial Secretary.*

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Hobart, 2nd August, 1857.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour of acquainting you that, on the 26th June last, I received an instruction from the Surveyor-General to furnish a Return of the work performed by me for the Department since the 1st January, 1852.

From the imperfect data at my command I was unable to comply with the order, and therefore replied in general terms only, on the 29th.

For what purpose or whose information this was required, I was not informed; but, as I have since heard that it was to ascertain the general value of my services by a reference to this particular period, I may be allowed to state, that no more unfavourable term could possibly have been chosen to have drawn a conclusion from. With due deference I will assume that the Honourable Ministry will not be offended at my offering some explanations on several points which possibly escaped entry, or have been insufficiently dwelt on in the return which I have heard was prepared in the office. Thus, in the years 1852-53, and 54, I had 18 months leave on half pay. Subsequently, during a dangerous and very protracted illness of my wife, I was allowed to occupy myself in perfecting many office plans of mine, at such periods of her indisposition when it would have been most inconsiderate and unfeeling to have sent me from home. Also, in the same years, I was myself attacked with rheumatism, which obstructed me for no short space. Nor should it be forgotten, that the last act of the late Surveyor-General to me was to interdict me from all intercourse with the Department for four months. Thus will it be seen, that nearly half the above time was not at the disposal of the Government for bush service.

It were also easy to show that my work, *all through* the last 15 or 16 years, has been much more of a special than of an ordinary nature, and is not therefore to be

estimated by mere acre-calculation. Times almost out of number have I been detached, so to speak, from the usual business of the Department, either to make considerable surveys for the Convict Establishment; or to effect tedious explorations of country; or to discover, define, and survey long lines of difficult roads, through the wildest districts of the Island (about 230 miles); or to form about 30 Trigonometrical Stations; or to make very extensive and minute coast surveys of all Forestier's and most of Tasman's Peninsulas; or to survey many inland Townships; or to settle a large mass of harassing boundary disputes; or to correct or finish the imperfect surveys of others; or to make valuations of lands; or, finally, to write a large number of detailed, and often most elaborate reports, on various matters submitted to my judgment,—whereof I give an abstract at the end of no less than 155, the copies of which I have preserved.

These services, though of the most tedious nature, and occupying, in the aggregate, many years of downright hard labour, have never added even one acre to the sum of my work; a process whereby it has been too much the custom of late years, as I submit, to estimate the value of a Surveyor's work.

Nor should it be forgotten how greatly the system, which came into fashion about 14 or 15 years since, of writing official letters, apparently on every possible occasion, to the Surveyors, has militated against a reasonably rapid performance of work; but which seemed always most directed against any one who—provided he did his duty righteously—saw no necessity for humbling himself too reverentially to every officious office clerk in the Department. It will doubtless surprise you to learn (even well as it is known in your office) that during the most of this period there has been poured upon me such an unintermitting stream of correspondence, (and frequently most ill-natured) as has taken great portions of my time to respond to successfully. How many official letters I have had to answer in this time I do not know, for doubtless some are lost, but I have preserved not less than 571. Indeed, there has been scarcely an official matter that I have had to deal with, but question on question and memo. on memo. have been so thrust at me, as made it barely possible to conduct business under the rigid cross-examinations I have had to endure, until, as I once before wrote, patience, like the subjects themselves, was utterly exhausted.

I most sincerely trust it will not be taken amiss that I thus presume to furnish the Ministry with an outline of details with which they are possibly wholly unacquainted, but which, as an act of justice to myself, I beg of them to permit me to offer.

I respectfully ask you to forward this letter, with the accompanying Abstract, to the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer for the information of the Government.

I remain, &c.

J. E. CALDER.

*The Acting Surveyor-General.*

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I have forwarded Mr. Calder's letter and abstract, according to his request. I have not entered into its merits, but I trust that the Ministry will urge upon Mr. Calder the necessity in future of less correspondence. I have had several letters from Mr. Calder since I have taken office which were not called for, more particularly so as, in all professional matters, I intend as much as possible to be guided by my own judgment.

JAS. SPRENT.

3rd August, 1857.

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## ABSTRACT.

## OFFICIAL REPORTS WRITTEN SINCE 1840 BY J. E. CALDER.

| <i>No. of Report</i> | <i>Year.</i> | <i>Month.</i> | <i>Date.</i> | <i>Nature of Report.</i>  |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---|
| 1                    | 1840         | April.        | 2            | On the survey of the country about the Great Lake and the 19 Lagoons.                           |
| 2                    | 1840         | June.         | 5            | Description of the country about the 19 Lagoons.  |
| 3                    | 1841         | January.      | 25           | "Some account of the country between Lake St. Clair and Macquarie Harbour."*                    |
| 4                    | 1841         | March.        | 16           | On the road to Macquarie Harbour.   |
| 5                    | 1841         | April.        | 20           | On progress made in opening the above road.   |
| 6                    | 1841         | August.       | 3            | On the survey of Van Diemen's Land, for the information of the Surveyor-General (just arrived.) |
| 7                    | 1841         | November.     | 17           | On the projected expedition of Sir John Franklin to Macquarie Harbour.                          |
| 8                    | 1841         | November.     | 8            | Description of the great open country in the South-western Districts.                           |
| 9                    | 1841         | November.     | 24           | Further report on the projected expedition of Sir John Franklin.                                |
| 10                   | 1842         | February.     | 8            | Description of the country between the Frenchman's Cap and Macquarie Harbour.                   |
| 11                   | 1842         | October.      | 8            | Description of a part of a road laid out by me from the Ouse Bridge to Marlborough.             |
| 12                   | 1842         | October.      | 17           | Same subject continued.   |
| 13                   | 1842         | November.     | 2            | Ditto.  |
| 14                   | 1843         | January.      | 14           | Explanatory of occupation.  |
| 15                   | 1843         | March.        | 15           | Description of country between Parson's Pass and Paradise, with account of road laid out by me. |
| 16                   | 1843         | April.        | 15           | Suggestive of altering the direction of the streets in the township of Buckland.                |
| 17                   | 1843         | May.          | 16           | On a defect in the direction of the newly laid-out road through Prosser's Plains.               |
| 18                   | 1843         | August.       | 7            | On Mr. Learmonth's drain at Jericho Lagoon.   |
| 19                   | 1843         | August.       | 12           | On Mr. Lowes' proposition to enclose a part of a road at the Brickfields.                       |
| 20                   | 1843         | August.       | 23           | On numerous encroachments on the main line near O'Brien's Bridge.                               |
| 21                   | 1843         | No date.      |              | On what a surveyor ought to mark off in a twelvemonth.  |
| 22                   | 1843         | October.      | 24           | On reported encroachment by Mr. G. Butler in Harrington-street.                                 |
| 23                   | 1843         | November.     | 17           | On Mr. Murdoch's encroachments at Old Wharf.  |
| 24                   | 1843         | November.     | 18           | Suggestive, concerning road to Emu Bay, <i>via</i> Lake St. Clair.                              |
| 25                   | 1843         | December.     | 4            | On the Rocky Hills road, laid out by me.  |
| 26                   | 1843         | December.     | 30           | On road through Paradise (for Comptroller-General.)   |
| 27                   | 1844         | January.      | 3            | On the laying out of a new road to Emu Bay.   |
| 28                   | 1844         | January.      | 6            | On road laid out by me from the Dee to the 7-mile Creek.  |
| 29                   | 1844         | January.      | 8            | On the Rocky Hills road.  |
| 30                   | 1844         | January.      | 15           | On the settlement of the Southern Districts by the sale of small farms.                         |
| 31                   | 1844         | January.      | 18           | On supplying the Rocky Hills Probation Station with water (for Comptroller-General.)            |
| 32                   | 1844         | January.      | 27           | On opening the South-western Districts.   |
| 33                   | 1844         | February.     | 27           | On the road between Deloraine and the Forth.  |
| 34                   | 1844         | March.        | 29           | Description of country between the above places.  |
| 35                   | 1844         | April.        | 3            | On laying out a portion of same road.   |
| 36                   | 1844         | April.        | 6            | On Mr. G. Butler's proposal to occupy certain land in Harrington-street.                        |
| 37                   | 1844         | April.        | 12           | On the Lord Bishop's Glebe at New Town.   |
| 38                   | 1844         | May.          | 6            | On Mr. Kentish's expenses.  |
| 39                   | 1844         | June.         | 17           | On new line of road to Prosser's Plains, proposed by Mr. Parsons.                               |
| 40                   | 1844         | July.         | 12           | On intended surveys of small lots—Huon.   |
| 41                   | 1844         | September.    | 5            | On Mr. Lord's land at Mount Nelson.   |
| 42                   | 1844         | October.      | 11           | On Mr. Carns' allotment at New Wharf.   |
| 43                   | 1845         | January.      | 15           | On road laid out by me from Little Swanport to Mr. Buxton's.                                    |
| 44                   | 1845         | January.      | 23           | On the occupation of Partridge Island by Mr. Laughton.  |
| 45                   | 1845         | January.      | 24           | On the wharf at Risdon (occupation of.)   |
| 46                   | 1845         | February.     | 4            | On small lots at Three-hut Point.   |
| 47                   | 1845         | February.     | 11           | On Crown Lands about Little Swanport.   |
| 48                   | 1845         | March.        | 9            | On road to be laid out by me from Spring Bay to the Eastern Marshes.                            |
| 49                   | 1845         | March.        | 30           | On the same subject.  |
| 50                   | 1845         | April.        | 4            | On proposed bridge over the Mersey.   |
| 51                   | 1845         | May.          | 5            | Further report on road from Spring Bay to the Eastern Marshes.                                  |

\* This should have been headed "between Lake St. Clair and the Frenchman's Cap."

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|----------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---|
| 52                   | 1845         | May.          | 17           | On the lots at Pontville.   |
| 53                   | 1845         | June.         | 17           | On encroachments in Oatlands.   |
| 54                   | 1845         | June.         | 18           | Suggestive of selling valuable land in Macquarie and Barrack Streets (afterwards given to Hutchins School.)       |
| 55                   | 1845         | September.    | 6            | On Oatlands footpaths.  |
| 56                   | 1845         | September.    | 13           | Ditto, and on very numerous encroachments on public property there.   |
| 57                   | 1845         | October.      | 11           | On various subjects connected with the examination of the country between Deloraine and Emu Bay.                  |
| 58                   | 1845         | December.     | 1            | Report and Journal of the examination of the same country.  |
| 59                   | 1845         | December.     | 22           | On the fall of rain in ditto.   |
| 60                   | 1846         | February.     | 6            | On the probable expenses of a journey to Macquarie Harbour.   |
| 61                   | 1846         | February.     | 26           | On the value of Captain Bailey's Farm at Wilmot Harbour (Forestier's Peninsula.)                                  |
| 62                   | 1846         | March.        | 3            | On Mr. Watson's proposal to convey self and party to Macquarie Harbour.   |
| 63                   | 1846         | March.        | 17           | On St. George's Burial-ground and fences.   |
| 64                   | 1846         | March.        | 17           | On the quality of the land about Peppermint Bay.  |
| 65                   | 1846         | April.        | 28           | On the quality of the land discovered by Mr. Vicary.  |
| 66                   | 1846         | April.        | 29           | On the farms crossing the new line of road between Richmond and Kelvedon.   |
| 67                   | 1846         | April.        | 30           | On Mr. Cassidy's objections to the road being laid out through his land at Richmond.                              |
| 68                   | 1846         | May.          | 11           | On the line of road laid out by me from Parson's Pass to Richmond.  |
| 69                   | 1846         | May.          | 25           | On the quality of the land in the "Carlton Scrubs."   |
| 70                   | 1846         | June.         | 19           | On the road from Swanston to Lemont.  |
| 71                   | 1846         | July.         | 6            | Objections to Mr. Tabart's proposals to the same being directed from its proper course.                           |
| 72                   | 1846         | July.         | 29           | On road to Lemont and on surrounding Crown Lands.   |
| 73                   | 1846         | August.       | 14           | On the damage done to a lagoon at Clarence Plains by Mr. J. Young's drains.                                       |
| 74                   | 1846         | August.       | 26           | On the re-survey of the road from Spring Bay to the Eastern Marshes, and from Little Swanport to Old Man's Creek. |
| 75                   | 1846         | August.       | 28           | Further report on Mr. Young's drains at Clarence Plains.  |
| 76                   | 1846         | September.    | 7            | Report for the information of Sir E. Wilmot, respecting my survey of Lord's land at Mount Nelson.                 |
| 77                   | 1846         | October.      | 8            | On surveys in Oatlands.   |
| 78                   | 1846         | November.     | 9            | On disputed boundaries in Elizabeth-street.   |
| 79                   | 1846         | November.     | 26           | On the practice of placing other Surveyors' work on plans signed by me.   |
| 80                   | 1846         | December.     | 22           | On extensive surveys at Ralph's Bay.  |
| 81                   | 1847         | January.      | 27           | On the trespasses on the Crown Lands, and suggestions for the disposal of the latter.                             |
| 82                   | 1847         | March.        | 18           | Proposals to alter certain streets in Bothwell.   |
| 83                   | 1847         | April.        | 12           | On Mr. Whiteway's land in Bothwell.   |
| 84                   | 1847         | May.          | 29           | On the survey of the Great Lake.  |
| 85                   | 1847         | June.         | 1            | Account of the country between Bothwell and Cressy, <i>via</i> the Great Lake.                                    |
| 86                   | 1847         | August.       | 14           | Report to the Deputy-Surveyor-General concerning unfinished work on hand.   |
| 87                   | 1847         | October.      | 8            | On the Dromedary Station.   |
| 88                   | 1847         | October.      | 26           | On the Black Tier, and various matters.   |
| 89                   | 1847         | November.     | 4            | On Pike's Hill Station.   |
| 90                   | 1848         | January.      | 31           | On ten Trigonometrical Stations. [sulas.  |
| 91                   | 1848         | February.     | 27           | On the Trigonometrical Stations on Tasman's and Forestier's Peninsula.  |
| 92                   | 1848         | March.        | 6            | On several other (Trigonometrical) Stations.  |
| 93                   | 1848         | April.        | 7            | Ditto.  |
| 94                   | 1848         | May.          | 6            | Report to the Colonial Secretary concerning the retention of a letter of mine (27th January, 1847) in his office. |
| 95                   | 1848         | May.          | 27           | On reserve for fortifications at Bruni Island.  |
| 96                   | 1848         | May.          | 30           | On Trigonometrical Stations.  |
| 97                   | 1848         | June.         | 19           | On the impossibility of making finished plans of all my old surveys, as ordered by Surveyor-General.              |
| 98                   | 1848         | July.         | 21           | Exculpatory report against the attacks of the Surveyor-General.   |
| 99                   | 1848         | September.    | 2            | On the relative values of two pieces of land; viz., the Lord Bishop's Glebe and part of Government Farm.          |
| 100                  | 1848         | September.    | 11           | In connection with the last report.   |
| 101                  | 1848         | November.     | 11           | On progress of survey of Forestier's Peninsula.   |
| 102                  | 1848         | November.     | 27           | Further report on same.   |
| 103                  | 1848         | December.     | 10           | Important information of sunken rocks off Cape Paul Lamanon. (To the Port Officer.)                               |
| 104                  | 1849         | January.      | 9            | Further report of survey of Forestier's Peninsula.  |
| 105                  | 1849         | January.      | 15           | On the great open country in the S. W., written by command of Sir W. Denison.                                     |
| 106                  | 1849         | February.     | 8            | On progress of survey.  |
| 107                  | 1849         | February.     | 15           | Ditto.  |



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| 108                  | 1849         | March.        | 28           | On progress of survey.   |
| 109                  | 1849         | May.          | 14           | Further report of the S. W. Districts, (by command.)   |
| 110                  | 1849         | June.         | 7            | On carrying out an exploration of the same.  |
| 111                  | 1849         | July.         | 10           | On M'Kay's Track, cut up the Huon.   |
| 112                  | 1849         | October.      | 11           | On Cape Pillar.  |
| 113                  | 1849         | December.     | 7            | On the survey of Tasmania.   |
| 114                  | 1849         | December.     | 10           | On the work done by me in past years for the Convict Department, (in reply to remarks of the Board enquiring into the state of the Survey Department.) |
| 115                  | 1850         | January.      | 21           | On Mr. Scott's survey of Mr. R. Campbell's land, made by command of Board, &c.   |
| 116                  | 1850         | May.          | 4            | On Fatigue Hill, (Mount Arrowsmith.)   |
| 117                  | 1850         | May.          | 8            | To Private Secretary, by command; descriptive of Clarence, Bellevue, Mount Augustus, and Crown Land near Stokell's, for use of Pensioners.             |
| 118                  | 1850         | June.         | 17           | On encroachments on main road at Green Ponds, by Mr. J. Speed and Mr. D. Cartwright.   |
| 119                  | 1850         | June.         | 17           | On places suitable for settling Pensioners on Oatlands, Kempton, Pontville.  |
| 120                  | 1850         | June.         | 19           | Ditto to Private Secretary; Richmond, Shelstone.   |
| 121                  | 1850         | June.         | 24           | Ditto.   |
| 122                  | 1850         | July.         | 3            | On office draftsmen's errors.  |
| 123                  | 1850         | September.    | 16           | On connecting Mr. King's surveys with my own.  |
| 124                  | 1851         | March.        | 24           | On Dr. Gorrings's presumed encroachments at Green Ponds.   |
| 125                  | 1851         | March.        | 24           | On Mathias Peeling's encroachments at Shepton Montacute.   |
| 126                  | 1851         | April.        | 17           | On disputed boundaries of Tarleton and Nicholas.   |
| 127                  | 1851         | May.          | 29           | On Flexmore's lands.   |
| 128                  | 1851         | July.         | 19           | On the Forcett Estate.   |
| 129                  | 1851         | July.         | 22           | Ditto to the Governor.   |
| 130                  | 1851         | July.         | 31           | On same subject.   |
| 131                  | 1851         | August.       | 11           | On the Vale of Cuvier.   |
| 132                  | 1851         | August.       | 13           | Ditto.   |
| 133                  | 1851         | September.    | 6            | On Goodall's encroachments on public property.   |
| 134                  | 1851         | No date.      |              | Further report on Tarleton's and Nicholas' case.   |
| 135                  | 1851         | September.    | 20           | On the disputed claims of Nichols and Nicholson.   |
| 136                  | 1851         | September.    | 20           | On certain allotments at New Norfolk.  |
| 137                  | 1851         | October.      | 9            | Further report on allotments at New Norfolk.   |
| 138                  | 1851         | October.      | 12           | On Crown lots about the Back River.  |
| 139                  | 1851         | November.     | 8            | On the connection of the survey of the Grass Tree and Tea Tree Roads with various grants, &c.  |
| 140                  | 1851         | December.     | 8            | On the general character of my work.   |
| 141                  | 1852         | January.      | 26           | On the disputed boundary questions of Messrs. Cockerill, Griffiths, and Bradshaw.  |
| 142                  | 1852         | February.     | 6            | Remarks on official report of my work.   |
| 143                  | 1854         | August.       | 7            | On the Grange Surveys (Swanport)—confusion of boundaries.  |
| 144                  | 1855         | June.         | 11           | On various Crown reserves, written by command of Sir H. Young, and strongly advocating the sale of most of the Government Domain.                      |
| 145                  | 1855         | November.     | 19           | On old surveys and encroachments at Spring Bay.  |
| 146                  | 1856         | February.     | 9            | On Crown reserves at Triabunna, and account of an extraordinary natural fountain there.  |
| 147                  | 1856         | March.        | 12           | On the confusion in some old surveys at Spring Bay.  |
| 148                  | 1856         | June.         | 30           | On the demands of the Surveyor-General for work from me when he knew I was ill, &c.  |
| 149                  | 1856         | July.         | 6            | Same subject.  |
| 150                  | 1856         | December.     | 2            | Descriptive of the direct Huon Track.  |
| 151                  | 1857         | February.     | 20           | On the Trigonometrical Survey—(by command of Committee of the Legislative Council.)  |
| 152                  | 1857         | March.        | 11           | Defence against Surveyor-General's charges against me.   |
| 153                  | 1857         | March.        | 18           | On the survey of Tasmania—(by command of Commission.)  |
| 154                  | 1857         | March.        | 20           | Description of Burslem's road to Port Cygnet.  |
| 155                  | 1857         | March.        | 31           | On receiving no work—(to the Honorable the Colonial Secretary.)  |

NOTE.—To the above might be added many others, the copies of which I have not retained; but all giving important intelligence.

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