

10 August 1881

My dear Father

I have just time to write a few lines by this Post, to inform you that Mr. Aley has received by the Steer a small Bale of Slops which I think would just suit you having given up all his men to Mr. Wells he has as further use for them is contains

Shipped at

1 Dozen. Mole skin Sackets at 6/6 each

1 do do Trowsers at 4/9 do

1 do Blue Cloth Sackets at 10/-

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8 doz Cotton Shirts at 22/- per dozen he has

not told me the price he would receive at an advance but should think he will not obtain more than 50/- I believe the bale would come to £40 altogether and as he works for the Slops for his own use he desired they might be of the best description, Mr. Aley told me this morning he proposed going into the Drawing Room to day, he has now been a month in bed, and had a very severe Time of it, but this fine weather is very much in his favor, I suppose you have had a mild

winter at Roundale, to day is quite like Spring weather,
There is a great deal of Town Talk at present about
Mrs Boyd and Col. Logan, Mr. Boyd was the
wife of the Deputy Surveyor General & some time
ago she lodged at Mr. Lord when you was in
Town last the Governor believes it and they would
be no longer received at Govt. House, & the Col.
has gone to New York. I suppose you have
sold your Bullock as I have not heard further
from you, I should very much like to see
you and my mother in Hobartown but you
will not come until the weather is perfect-
ly settled I suppose in October when there
is not much to do, Mr. Stracy was here
yesterday, and wanted the money for his amt,
he will allow for the three pairs of Trowsers,
not delivered, he has got the mans receipt
and is I suppose short of Cash.

With best love to you all

Your dutiful Son
W. H. Keay

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