

My Dear Father

Stoddale March 26th 1846

I send the two letters copyd. there was also
one from Mr Dunn but I suppose you can see
that in Hobart Town - Mama received your
kind letter on the Wednesday and we were
all very much gratified to hear that all
went off so well in Hobart Town - Charles
returned from Lannaston and we are to get
bags for 500 Bushells of wheat to be sent to
Mr Reed's as if he had had it in Lannaston
it might have gone by the "Gratitude" to England
and there will be plenty of opportunities -
Charles saw Mr. Oakden when he said the price
in Lannaston was only 3¹/₂ - after deducting
Carriage it will be better to ship it - Mr. Oakden
has sent a Bill for £550. of Mr. Tyson's Lannaston
Yesterday was a ^{very} fine day Charles & Arthur went
to Mr. G.C. Clark's sale to day is very wet, Charles
was not yet ret^d - it is now too wet to think of going
to Mr. Gatenby's Christening party - Seven bagshead
of Cider are now made - we want you to buy
from the Saddles in Hobart Town 2 Bridle head pieces
and 2 Bridle reins we have got plenty of bits -
they are not to be got at Ross, as they are made
of white tanned leather - without you can
get - 2 English made bridles cheaper - I'm advertised
in the Lannaston Examiner 4000 sheep 200 Cattle
20 working bullocks to be sold at Campbell Town early in May
next

3 o'clock

Charles ~~has~~ has not yet returned the
weather being so wet - we presume he has bought
some sheep at Clark's sale as he said he
should hurry back if he did not buy
any it has been raining since day light
your affectionate son
W. Heath

My dear Husband

We were happy to hear from you by last post & hope you will write every post - we have a great deal of work it is pouring so dry that nobody will be expected at the Waterloo party which is very likely, we are shortly looking for Charles return from St. Charles and yesterday was very fine it is frosty we have the cider making under cover as the men can keep on at it - please to thank Aunt Smith for the table paper he sent last post as the new papers always give me pleasure the money is indeed great for Railways I have no local news to communicate but we are all quite well I remain your very affectionately E. Leake

P.S. Please not to forget the pump as it is now nothing but rain - and also the piece of pipe —