

Launceston Thursday January
16th 1853-

My dear Father-

John started from this yesterday
about 11 o'clock and I hope will be at home
before this reaches you. it is of great con-
sequence he returns us as soon as possible
to open his shop in a respectable way
the house is at present in a very dirty
state I shall hire a man to clean away
the rubbish and wash out the rooms
the joiners are to begin to day, and the
plan is quite as you had drawn upon
the paper with the exception of a pine
partition to make a private entrance
to the house, and Mr J. K. Brown will
charge all to a regular rate when finished

what he told Wm, was that the whole expense
would not amount to more than £70 but there
will be several deductions, as he is going
to have a good many blank drawers, and
what he has got of his own, and also
Wm wants to apply for a Job Carpenter
and by giving him the use of the Man
he would allow his time, and Wm
be very glad to take a Rib at 5 months
Mr Gladstone & Loubal told me that Wm must
open his shop in a finished state as there
are several in Harmerston making an
attempt but they have not the things requisite
Please to send me the Commissions also
write about the Oats as I spoke to Mr White

yesterday, he says he could procure them
for me within the next six weeks at
3/4 per bushel - Wine is still very dear
here 8/6 per H^l in Hobartown 8/6 per Ton
Lea Hobartown 8/6 - 9/6 per Cask, and here
9/6 to 10/6 per Cask. every thing else may
be got here as cheap as in Hobartown,
there is an arrival of sugar expected
daily from the Isle of France and there
it will be as reasonable here -

The Wool is stop by the Forth and the
sooner you send it in the better, if
it was to arrive while I am here the
number would not want renewing it
I must come to Mr Eddies More Mr Ogden
desires his best respects and remains
Your dutiful Son
W. White

would be plenty of employment for him
in cleaning the windows and getting his house
ready as the floors are covered with
lime and sand.

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When John returns he must have a servant
directly (Boston would, not so at all) Plant
would be much too slow and inacise if I
was here I should prefer Mark. Steel and
if you thought him a proper person you
might send him here directly as there