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Hammond June 21st 1886

My Dear Sir

Mr. James leaving his on the 1st of the 11th
I take the opportunity of writing a few lines
I have seen a Mr. Maddie agent for Capt
Swanson who as arrived from Port Sydney
by the Porroal on the 11th. The Porroal landed
the sheep at the head which is a bad place
Mr. M says that the dogs got in the flock
of about 500 and disposed them in the night
having killed and bit 30 or 40 of them. If
they had been landed at his establishment
he would not have lost any having not
seen more than two dogs which they
succeeded in killing. He is settled on the
Est 26 miles west of Bateman. He says
that the sheep were thriving well. There is plenty
of grass the night have made many loads of hay
so luxuriant is the grass. He as an establishment

of 16 men takes three men to hood, 500 sheep which
is certainly to many than men ought to keep here
1000, but not having any place it requires
more hand. There is not say good timber near
water to be had by digging two feet and plenty of
siam. The natives congregated together to
rob the huts they eat two of their women
to inspire them with courage they were drove
off by four men armed. I did not hear of
any bloodshed or loss of life among the natives.
This is what Buddie's account who appears
a very seditious and uneducated young man
he was settled in King George's Sound says
it is a barren place 100 miles inland

I think we shall sail early next week
so please write me how to or which
way you wish me to proceed I think
intend going on to Spencer's Gulf. ~~At~~ ~~the~~
I am sorry to say is to find of his caps I go
to see Wetman to morrow who is at
or near Perth. I am fitted out for
Spencer's Gulf except provisions, which it

with be better to agree with Hesketh for
so much the wage or so much for months
I may go by the ^{to Cor. Chiship} arrival of the sail boat
before we sleep as we are only loosing time
and join Hesketh again at Cor. Chiship for
now is the time to send Sheep 8/2 - the
Arrival starts next Friday with they for
Capt. Swanton. He is had his mind
divided by getting his best trip

I like every opportunity of getting information
from those who come from Cor. Chiship
and writing their opinions down in my
book. The Enterprise arrived yesterday
from Cor. Chiship I have asked any
news out of her yet. with love to all
at home

Dear Mother
I am ever your
affectionate
P. H. Smith

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 11.76
 21.60

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 8 June 1836