



Nov 28<sup>th</sup> Portland.

Since I wrote the first part of my  
letter I have been to West-Point -  
I have bought 600 Head Cattle  
200 bullocks 200 Ewes - 200 Stags  
and sheep at 32 $\frac{1}{2}$  - We shall  
have 300 fat bullocks for Adelaide  
amazing 750 $\frac{1}{2}$  - but 2000 well bred.  
We cannot get on in this country  
for want of labour - I suppose  
you have not much to spare  
I think has sent four loads wool  
down we are a month earlier with  
it - this year - I get 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  shillings  
upon the raw wool. - If labour  
does not lower and wool rise  
I shall ~~get~~ get out of wool  
growing - by degrees -

Portland is advancing fast - shops  
building an empty house is not to  
be got - we shall have 3 or 4 vessels

To load with wool - we spoke  
and about 5000 bales - to London  
The crops are looking well about  
Port Fairy but it is a moist country  
and they have a better chance in a  
dry season -

They are well at-Innaming though Ed  
is a bad consistent - John has had  
some due to his mare - we shall  
be done shearing in 10 days -

Let Mamma get the best preserves  
and I have no doubt Ed finds them  
very good -

With kind love to all at-Home  
trusting you are all well -

I remain your  
affectionate  
son

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