

Wellington on the
 Murray
 Sept. ~~7~~ 11 - 1849

My Dear Father -

I am writing this now -
 100 miles on the road to my station
 I am not very well for a journey
 of 200 miles through a barren
 country having a violent cold -

I have got the money you sent
 and paid of the two bills - All - and
 M^r Forbes,

Adelaide a slow place to do business
 up in - I was there weeks doing
 three days business -

Adelaide is also a wretched
 place to live in not a decent
 Hotel nothing but a inn King -
 I do not like it -

With their be any late book of
Selling sheep and some in the
I suppose you I had 12 to 14,000
sheep for sale. I think offer
them in Melbourne - that is a
good market - Adelaide is
no place. I should like to see the
sheep in South Australia
they do not understand the
management of them -
but I say it is a good market
here -

I suppose accounts trade is good
in England but great commotion
on the continent - Canada is
likely to result it with no good
to these colonies - I am settled
here - I am sure some way
to get our beef and mutton

Wool is getting more plentiful
Emigration has been pouring in fast -
we get men for £20 & upwards
You must get us a good address
upon our work we wish to take
great pains and get it up well
If you can get some wool may
perhaps come up - and see
Australasian Island wool is the
best grown in New Holland.
I wish write you more fully
when I get on the Station
My Brother's letter with me they are
indebted to me letters -
with kind love to all
Yours

Dear Miss
Aubrey's son
P. R. Smith

W. D. Saunders
I hope you have had a fine view of Ross's hills

R. N. Leake

Feb. 18th 1849

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