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T. C. BROWNELL

Thomas Coke Brownell (1800-1871), son of Rev. John Brownell, came in 1829 as surgeon on the 'Tranby' (Master John Story), with his wife Elizabeth, daughter, and a son, James Story, born on the voyage. After a short time at Perth he came to V.D.L. and was employed as catechist (at one time he applied to be ordained) as well as medical officer at convict settlements, including Maria Island, Brighton, Avoca, Port Arthur. He had 12 children.

Journal and letter register Sept. 1829 - Mar. 1858

Journal of a voyage from Hull to Swan River on the brig 'Tranby', 9 September 1829 - 2 February 1830, being T. C. Brownell's diary of events on the voyage, as surgeon, kept regularly but not daily, including list of crew and passengers.

From May 1830, when Brownell came to Tasmania the journal is continued intermittently, noting only particular events in his life and the progress of his career both as catechist - noting regular services held, burials, etc - and as medical officer. The journal serves as a letter register, noting letters received and copies of letters to family and friends in U.K. The letters of give a resume of his life in V.D.L. with a description of conditions, the size of his family, etc.

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