NOTES ON THE DIARY OF THE REVEREND ROBERT KNOPWOOD, 1805-1808.

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The diaries of the Reverend Robert Knopwood constitute a valuable section of the historical accounts of the early days of Tasmanian history. The events recorded by the first chaplain are largely of a personal nature, yet there are many entries which throw additional light upon the history of the years which followed the foundation of the settlement.

Robert Knopwood was born at Norfolk, England, on the 2nd June, 1761. He inherited considerable wealth, but squandered his fortune in his youth. He took Holy Orders, and was domestic chaplain to Earl Spencer for some years. In 1802 he was chaplain of the Resolution, and on the 14th January, 1803, was appointed Chaplain to Collins's expedition. Knopwood was also appointed magistrate at the Derwent settlement, and Collins looked upon him as one of his valued civil officers; but after Collins's death, Governor Macquarie was rather critical of Knopwood's unconventional methods. In 1823 Knopwood retired from Hobart to his property at Clarence Plains, and he died on the 18th September, 1838, at Rokeby, where his grave is still cared for.

A list of the Knopwood diaries is as follows:—

1801-1804 (This section has been published in Shiplington's Historical Records of Port Phillip.)
1805-1808 MS. in possession of Miss M. Hookey, Rokeby.
1808-1814 Missing.
1821 Missing.
1822-1834 MS. in the Mitchell Library, Sydney.
1835 Missing.
1836-1858 MS. in the Mitchell Library, Sydney.

Miss Hookey kindly permitted the Society to take a copy of the MS. 1805-1808 for the Society's Library, and the present notes are extracts from the entries during this period, as well as some additional notes from the printed account of the earlier section, as, if these are included, the first four years of the Hobart settlement are included in the present review.

In addition to the general daily record, there are several notes at the beginning and end of the book. For instance, in front there are two mottoes:—

Dum Spiro Spero—Whilst I breathe I have hope.
Sic Fortis Hobartia Crevit—Thus by industry Hobart Town increased.

The latter, with the translation "Hobart" (in place of "Hobart Town") is the motto on the civic coat of arms of Hobart at the present time.

At the back of the volume there are numerous disjointed entries concerning various matters. Many of these relate to the hunting of kangaroo and emu, and the returns of the products of the chase which were delivered into the Government Stores. On the 19th April, 1807, Knopwood notes the receipt of 563 lbs. 6d., being payment for 927 lbs. of kangaroo. On the 24th August, 1805, there is an entry concerning one of his dogs which reads as follows:—"I have had Spot one "year this day, August 24, and he has killed 141 kang. and 24 "emus."

Although the entries refer largely to personal matters, yet these, in many cases, throw interesting sidelights on the early era of settlement, and Knopwood's references to the shipping and the weather are of distinct interest, and it is chiefly to direct attention to this interesting record relating to the initial settlement of Hobart that the present notes have been compiled.

GENERAL.

Ship Ocean, at anchor in Frederick Henry Bay, Van Diemens Land, Feb. 1804.
12. 2. 1804 W.N.W. A.M. Fresh breezes and cloudy, with squalls at times. At 10 Capt. Merthw (1), Mr. Bowden, Mr. Collins (2), and self went on shore;

(1) Captain John Merthw of the ship Ocean. Knopwood was very careless as regards his spelling, etc.
(2) Mr. William Collins was later Harbour Master at the Derwent and the first "Bay Whaler."
we went armed. Capt. M. and self left them; we landed on the shore W.b.N., lagoon of salt W.N.W.; fresh lagoon N.W. by W. At the back of the high hill we see a great number of wild fowl and one emew, quails, bronwin, pigeons and parrots. At 4 we returned to the party we left, and got a great quantity of oysters. It appeared to me that the natives were much better supplied with fish and birds than those at Port Philip. The trees are very large and good, and a great deal of underwood. Near the fresh lagoon which was large—more than 12 or 14 miles round—was a great quantity of flax and very fine straw; besides ducks and teal were snipes, and I think a woodcock was flushed. At half past 6 we returned in a very heavy gale of wind, with hard rain.

13. 2. 4 W.N.W. A.M.—strong breezes with heavy squalls of wind and rain. At 10 a party were sent on shore to get oysters, but the tide did not suit the lagoon. 17 of the natives were seen by the party; they reported the natives to be men well made, entirely naked; and some of them had war weapons; they had a small boy with them about 7 years old, and did not appear to flee from them. P.M. At 3 Capt. Mertawa and Mr. Collins went on shore to get oysters.

14. 2. 4 W.N.W. A.M. Fresh breezes and hazy w.r. Unable to sail, the wind against us. 4 p.m. Capt. Mertawa went on short a short time.

15. 2. 4 Calm N.W. A.M. First part light variable winds, inclining to a calm; at 4 sprang up a breeze from the N.W. weighed and made all sail. At 10 calm, light airs; past light airs from the S.E. The centre of Betseys Island S.W. b S. At noon tkt ship to the eastward. P.M. past 1 tkt ship. At 3 round Betseys Island, and bore up for the entrance of the harbour. At past 3 saw a boat ahead which came alongside with Mr. Simonds, commander of H.M. brig Lady Nelson, and went with us up the River Derwent. At past 6 anchored in Risdon Cove (3) in 4 fath. Latter part light breezes and hazy.

Remarks, Risdon Cove, Van Diemens Land, Feb. 1804.

16. 2. 4 A.M. The morn very fine. At 10 the Lieut. Governor, self, and Lieut. Lord, of the Royal Marines, went on shore to see the settlement formed by Lieut. Bowen, of the Royal Navy. As we left the ship Cap. Mertawa, of the Ocean Transport, saluted Lieut. Coll. Coll., the new Govr with 11 guns. When landed we were received by Lieut. More, the commandant of the New South Wales Corps, Mr. Montgarrett the surgeon and Mr. Wilson the storekeeper, the camp consisted of 16 privates, 1 sarjant, 1 drum and fife. After examining the camp, gardens, water, &c., it was the general opinion to be not calculated for a town. At 2 the Lieut. Gov. returned on board. I dined with Mr. Mongarrett at his house, on the N.E. side of the river. The watering place is by no means good. Capt. Bowen returned to Port Jackson with an intention of going to England. (4)

17. 2. 4 A.M. At 10 the Lieut. Governor, Mr. Collins, and self went to examine a plain on the S.W. side of the river; the plain extensive, and some of them had war weapons; they had a small boy with them about 7 years old, and did not appear to flee from them. P.M. At 3 Capt. Mertawa and Mr. Collins went on shore to get oysters.

18. 2. 4 A.M. At 11 the Govr, Mr. Harris, Capt. Mertawa, and self went and examined a part of the river to see a plain for the settlers, but the Govr did not approve of it. The ground appeared to be much injured by the torrents of rain. The trees are very large and good. At 5 p.m. the Govr went on shore to the settlement on the N.E. side of the

(3) Risdon—named by Hayes (1793). Settlement founded by Bowen. 12th September, 1802.

(4) Bowen left Risdon on the whaler Ferret on 9th January, 1804, and returned in the cutter Integrity. The vessel had just been built and was completed hurriedly. She left Sydney on 15th February.

(5) Mt. Wellington
river, and ordered the tents to be struck and sent on board the Lady Nelson. At 6 a little rain; they have not had a good shower of rain for 4 months.

19. 2. 4 Strong breezes and small rain. At 6 weigh anchor and drop down the river towards Sullivan Bay, but the wind coming on to blow hard, came to anchor at 12. At 3 weigh & anchor'd in Sullivan Bay, near the small island (6). Capt. Mertho, Mr. Collins, and self went on shore, see some very fine trees.


20. 2. 4 A.M. Part the military this morn went on shore, and a part of the convicts, to pitch their tents. P.M. At 4 the Governor and some of the civil officers went on shore. He ordered my marque to be pitched very near his (8), as it was at Port Phillip. In the eve return'd on board. At 6 the military landed, and as many convicts as could be sent on shore.

21. 2. 4 A.M. at 10 I went on shore to see my marque pitched; return'd to dinner on board the Ocean. At 6 p.m. the Lt. Govr went on shore having landed all his baggage, &c. At 7 I went and slept at my marque for the first time, and the Lt. Govr honoured my name for the first time, and the Lt. Govr honoured my name for parol, the first given on the new settlement, and Lieut. Lord's name for the Countersign. My marque is pitched near the Govr., on the left of him. I slept at the camp for the first time and so did the Lt. Gov. Parole, Knopwood, C.S., Lord.

(8) Hunter's Island—The site of this island is now covered by part of Jones and Co.'s premises.

(7) Lieutenant Governor Collins named the bay Sullivan Cove in honour of John Sullivan, Under-Secretary to the Colonial and War Department. He had also named the bay near the camp at Port Phillip Sullivan Bay. As regards the name Hobart, Knopwood refers to both the Port Phillip Settlement and the Risdon Settlement as "Hobart Town". Sir John.Fontaine, in his 2nd Commission to Bowen, referred to "the Settlement of Hobart in the County of Buckinghamshire." The name Hobart Town appears in Collins's Order Book 5.5.1804, but on 24th April Collins had headed a despatch "Government House, Hobart Town."

(8) Governor Collins's marque was pitched near where the portico of the Town Hall now is. Knopwood's tent was pitched opposite the present Museum, in Argyle Street.
4 A.M. at 9 I went on board the Ocean with Mr. Humphrys. 10, Capt. Merthow, Mr. Brown (the botanist), and we went to Risdon Cove, where we dined with Mr. Mountgarret. At 4 we all went up the Derwent River, where we slept on the west side of it, about 17 miles from the camp. I killed two black swans. C.S., Herdsmans Cove; Parole, Excursion.

4 A.M. at 5 we all got in our boats and went 5 miles up the river and breakfasted; on the east side of the river got some more swans. At 10 we got into the boats again and went 10 miles further up, where dined and pitched our boat sails for a tent. At 4 Mr. Mountgarrett and Mr. Humphrys left us for Risdon Creek. Capt. Merthow and self went ashooting; killed a pigeon. At 6 a.m. Brig Lady Nelson sail'd for Pt. Jackson with a fair wind. C.S., Pillar.

At 6 we breakfasted. 3 past 7 Capt. Merthow and self went ashooting 15 miles up the river. Mr. Brown went up the mountains abotanising. The river took these directions where the falls of water were:—1, fall reach, E. to W.; 2d, from S.E. to N.W.; 3rd reach, S.-W.; 4th, W.S.W.; 5th reach, N. b W. We walked on the west side of the river, the hills, &c., very high. When one side of the river was hilly, the other a valley, and it continued so for more than 40 miles from the camp, where there was an extensive plain of very few trees. We see kangaroos, emews, pigeons, and parrots. At 3 past 4 we return'd to the hut we left in the morn. During our walk we see a great many of the native huts and the fires they made. No doubt they see us. In the eve the natives made a fire near where we slept, on the west side of the river. C.S., Hogan.

4 A.M. at 5 rain, with hard squalls. We struck our canvas and sail'd for Herdsmans's Cove, where we reach'd about 10 and breakfasted, the land appeard not very good. At 12 as we were coming from thence a native appeard, but the distance was too great to discover much of him. Strong breezes and squally. At 5 we arriv'd at the Ocean, where we dined and went to the camp at 8 past 6. C.S., Palmer.

4 A.M. Governor Bowen and self after breakfast went up of Mount Direction on the North-East side, and came down the South-West, and had a very long walk. The view was grand. At 2 p.m. the boat turn'd from the 1st fall of the river with Mr. Mountgarrett, Mr. Brown (9) the botanist; and Mr. Humphrey the mineralogist. They went in search of the head of the river, but could not find it.

4 A.M. Mr. Humphrey breakfasted with me,—and we walk'd to the Table Mountain, where I kill'd a white hork (10), the first that has been see[n] in this country. A very great curiosity. We return'd home at 5 p.m. Mr. Wilson smoked a pipe with me, Mr. Milne went to Risdon to have his examination taken before Mr. Bowen and Mr. Mountgarrett.

At 6 a.m. Brig Lady Nelson sail'd for Pt. Jackson with a fair wind. C.S., Pillar.

27. 1. 4 A.M. at 11 the Lt. Govnr and self went and mark'd out a burial ground (11) at a distance from the camp. Receiv'd a letter from Capt. Bowen to visit Risdon Cove, but could not, in the eve took a walk.

28. 4. 4 A.M. at 10 Mr. Mount Garret came to the camp; at 1 past 2 p.m. I buried Mr. Edwardes child. The Lt. Governor and all the officers attend'd at 3. I went to Risdon Cove with Mr. Mountgarrett, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Harris, and dined there. This day twelve month we took our departure from England. Capt. Bowen and Mr. Wilson went with the mutiniers prisoners to land them on an island 8 of them, and all Irishmen.

19. 6. 4 . . . Mr. Brown and Mr. Humphre[y] came to the camp, they had been out 16 days, and got to the River Huan by land,

(9) Robert Brown, the celebrated botanist, had arrived at Port Jackson to England, and upon return in the Investigator. Brown stayed some time in Australia, and upon return to England published his classic work Prodroma Flora Nova Hollandiae et Insulae Van Diemen.

(10) "A white hork"—a typical example of Knopwood's spelling. The hark was first described by Gmelin in 1788. It occurs also in S. & E. Australia.

(11) A burial ground. The old St. David's cemetery, now St. David's Park.
25. 5. 4 At 8 Capt. Bow went to Risdon, and I went and chose a place for my garden.

28. 5. 4 At 10 Mr. Humphrys and self went up the mountain on the S.E. to look for the Ocean, but could not see it.

3. 6. 4 At 11 the weather was so bad that divine service could not be performed. At 12 all the officers, civil and military, and settlers met at my marquee to consult on the price of labour, &c., &c., and delivered the report to the Lt. Govnr. In the eve Mr. Harris smok’d a pipe with me.

4. 6. 4 A.M. this day being H.M. birthday was not observed as a holiday by reason of the Ocean not being arrived from Port Phillip with the remainder of the civil and military officers, marines, and convicts, but will be kept on her arrival at this Colony. Mr. Harris, Mr. Bowden, and self dined with Mr. Lord and Humphrys.

5. 6. 4 At 7 p.m. His Honour the Lt. Governor, with Mr. Harris, the Surveyor-General, and Mr. Collins, the Harbour Master, went in the Lt. Gov. cutter to Betsy’s Island to survey it; and they return’d to camp at 1 past 10 p.m. The air, and night blew very hard from the S.W. that they were obliged to land at Sandy Bay, 5 or 6 miles from the camp and walk in.

6. 6. 4 Mr. Harris and self had our new gardens measured out.

19. 6. 4 Mr. Lord breakfasted with me, and at 11 I walk’d to look for the Ocean, but could not see her. I dined with Mr. Lord at his new house (12). Mr. Humphrey return’d in the eve from the mountain.

26. 6. 4 At 1 past 10 the Marines landed from the Ocean and the prisoners landed their things. At 1 p.m. my man Salmon kill’d a kangaroo length from the end of the tail to the nose seven feet two inches, length of its tail 3 ft. 4 in. and a half, the weight of the kangaroo was 150 lbs.

15. 8. 4 At 8 the Lt. Govnr sent two men to begin my house, and this morn Gun and Foreshaw began mending my boat, and Eodem liter’d which was sent to the Lt. Gov. was withdrawn after a meeting of all the officers, Capt. Rhodes, of the Alexander whaler, came on shore and took an early dinner. At 5 p.m. I went on the Parade, where the Gov. and Lt. Johnson was walking. The Gov. was very pleasant, and on our coming away to my markwequee said that all was amicably settled.

20. 8. 4 At 9 the masons began to lay the foundation of my house, and the Carpenters at work, the Lady Barlow making preparations for sailing.

1. 9. 4 A.M. at 10 took a walk, saw no kangaroo. At 3 p.m. rain. At 5 I dined with Lt. Johnson, and as we were sitting down to dinner a large kangaroo came very near his marquee, and through the camp. 1 past 9 the centinel fire’d at a man near the magazene, and he escaped.

3. 9. 4 A.M. A very fine morning. At ½ past 11 Lt. Gov. Collins and self walked to the farm and there took his boat and went to Risdon Cove; the Govnr ordered all the houses that were there to be pulled down. At 4 p.m. we arrived in the camp, and I dined with him.

(12) The first house built in Hobart. A “wattle and daub” structure known as “the house in the bush.” The position was near the present corner of Macquarie and Harrington Streets.

Captain’s Clerk on H.M.S. Glatton.

(13) The storekeeper at Risdon. Probably T. Wilson, at one time
20. 9. 4 At 9 I went to the farm in my boat to meet my man who was out at Mr. Millers the settler, to kill a kangaroo; at 11 he came there; had bad luck, kill'd only one. I met Mr. Johnson at the farm, and we went and called upon Martha Hays. Lt. Johnson rode to Hobart Town, Capt. Bowen's mare. At 4 p.m. dined with Mr. Bowden and met there Lt. Johnson and Mr. Fosbrook.

25. 9. 4 At 11 Mr. Harris and self marked out a place of 2 acres for a garden.

30. 9. 4 The morning so very windy that divine service could not be performed. This morn two men began to cut down and burn off 2 acres of ground for me at my new garden. At 7 the wind began to be very windy, and at 10 a heavy gale came on, which increased till near 12.

5.10. 4 At 12 all the civil and military officers met at Mr. Bowden's to consult about a plan of building a subscription room, when we all wrote to the Lt. Governor to prove the plan to him. At 1 the Lt. Gov. and Mrs. Powers went to the farm in his boat.

16.10. 4 A.M. early this morn the Governor's boat went for his keeper and Hacking up beyond Risdon; they had no success, and the boat took them to Risdon. Lt. Johnson and Mr. Harris dined with me. This day twelve months we landed from His Majesty's Ship Calcutta at Port Philip, New South Wales, and all the military and convicts were encamp'd there.

13.11. 4 A.M. Preparing my letters to England for the Alexander whaler. Settled with Capt. Rhodes. The Governor supplied Mr. Harris and self with 14 days' provisions and a boat. Letter for Esq. Mr. and Mrs. P., Miss Kd., Wm. Tustin Esq.

14.11. 4 A.M. fresh breezes from the S.W. All hands employed as needful. Middel part more moderate; at daylight clear. At 5 a.m. took the breeze from the N.W.; took the anchor and bore for Storm Bay Passage. At 6 a.m. went on board;

15.11. 4 A.M. fresh gales. At 2 the anchor came home squally, brought up in 12 fathoms in a hard, muddy bottom. At 12 sent a boat to Hobart Town with letters, and for some sheet lead. Mr. Collins bore N.W., and Point Louis N.E., dist. 3 miles. The Isle Bruny N.E. b E., dist. 1 mile, the point from the westermost shore, that from the N.W. branch W. by North, dist. 2 miles.

16.11. 4 A.M. this morn we went to the opposite shore, where, after tracing the coast 6 miles we arrived at a fine cove, which abounds with oysters. On the north side, a little above low water mark, we found a large enger cel, which the Revd. R. Knopwood shot. It weigh'd 20lb. We gave the name of the Cove, Conger Cove. In this cove we marked a tree—R. Knopd., R. Rhodes, Nov. 17th, 1804. From the ship the tree is 4 miles S.W. by S. It stands from the rocks on the side of the hill. The boat up at Hobart Town.

(14) Henry Hacking had been pilot at Port Jackson. He had been twice sentenced to death.

(16) Now Mt. Wellington, so named by Governor Maquarie.
On Board the *Alexander*, whaler, Cap. Rhodes, Storm Bay Passage, November, 1804.

17.11. 4 A.M. this morn we went on shore on Isle Bruny and see many grass trees. The day was very wet. We killed a kangaroo. The men took some black swans.

18.11. 4 A.M. at 8 observed a boat come round Point Louis. At 10 she came on board. Struck top gallant yards at meridian hard gales and squally. We continued on board with the boat belonging to Government. At 6 p.m. let go the other bower anchor. Hard gales. The weather was so bad that we could not stir out.

19.11. 4 A.M. at daylight more moderate. Hove in the small bower and secured it. At 8 sent 2 boats after black swans. At 10 they returned with 21. This morn Capt. Rhodes, Mr. Groves, and self, went on Isle Bruny and killed a kangaroo. After travelling in the country several miles we returned to a point where we ordered the boats to. Here we marked 3 trees laying in the N.E. and S.W. direction. At the back of them Revd. R.K. put several sorts of seeds in the ground. The trees were marked as follows:—The Revd. R.K. Knapwood, November 13, 1804. On the back D.G., for Daniel Groves, son of Mr. Groves, and to the S.W. 6 paces, R. Rhodes, Commander of the *Alexander* whaler, to the tree 24 paces S.W. G. P. Harris, Surveyor, Hobart Town (16), and on the back, J. Groves. This point I gave the name of Alexander Point, in honour of our friend Capt. Rhodes. The peaks of the Table Mountain bore N.N.W.; and Conger Cove, W. 1 S., dist. 3 miles.

20.11. 4 A.M. at 8 took up the anchor and got under weigh. At ½ past 1 brought up in 8 fathms, about a mile distant from Green Island, and got a dozen black swans eggs and some young birds.

21.11. 4 A.M. at 4 took the anchor up and ran down the passage as far as the mouth of the River Huon. At 9 brought up in 8 fathms. At 10 4 boats left the ship. At 3 we returned, having been up the river Huon, where I see a beautiful island which I gave the name of Gardners (17), in honor of my friend, the Honble A. H. Gardner, Capt. of H.M. ship *Hero*. We caught some crayfish and got some shells. At 4 the three boats returned with 78 fine black swans. The *Alexander* layd at anchor near a small rock, much like Noahs Ark Rock at Simons Bay, Cape of Good Hope.

22.11. 4 A.M. at 8 the Government boat left the ship. ½ past Mr. Harris and Groves in one boat, Capt. Rhodes and self in another boat, went up the River Huon. Opposite the Huon Island is a sunken rock, in the mouth of the river, which runs ½ a mile long from east to west. We went up the river as far as the flats, where we pitched our tents, made ready for dinner some black swans, which we caught in abundance.

In the River Huon, 1804. In the Storm Bay Streights, 1804.

23.11. 4 A.M. at daylight we got up and breakfasted. Sent the whale boat after swans, and we went in the Government cutter up the Huon to the 1st fall. The river is by no means so fine as the Derwent, and as for the land there is none not even fit for a garden. At the first fall there is a small island in the middle of the stream. At ½ past 1 we returned, and arrived at the Camp Point, where we left in the morn, where we dined and slept.

24.11. 4 A.M. at daylight we got up and at 3 a.m. made sail. At 8 or 9 a.m. we all got on board the *Alexander*, where she was lying near the Isle of Huon, in the Streights.

25.11. 4 A.M. at 10 a breeze sprang up. Mr. Harris, Groves, and self went in the Government boat, and on our leaving the ship we gave them three cheers. Capt. Rhodes hoisted his pendant, and we were cheered by all the crew. We went into a bay called La Petit Anse (18) on the N.E. It

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(16) G. P. Harris was a very careless individual. His surveys were open to many disputes, and the work had to be done again by Meehan and Evans.

(17) Now Garden Island.

(18) Now Little Taylor's Bay.
being Sunday, and having come some way, I gave
orders for the tents to be pitched, roasted some
black swans, and there we slept. We observ’d
many of the native fires. At 11 a.m. Capt. Rhodes
sailed back into the Straights.

In Storm Bay Straights, 1804.

26.11. 4 Very early this morn we breakfasted, and
at 6, with a party of our men, with Mr. Harris
and Groves, went up a mountain steering a N.E.
b E. course, and with very great difficulty we got
up to the top of the mountain. We were three
hour and a half going about a mile and a half.
Upon the top we see a very fine cedar and sassa­
fras. At 12 we return’d, got everything ready
for sailing. At $ past 1 sail’d and went into a
bay near . . . . . . . We slept on the
west side of Storm Bay Passage.

27.11. 4 At 6 we breakfasted and prepared to sail to
Hobart Town. 33 minutes past 7 made sail, wind
southerly, Green Island E.N.E. At 12 we observed
the Alexander, Capt Rhodes, under sail, beating
out of the Straights . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
At $ past 1 we got on board. The wind came
quite calm. At 6 we observed a schooner coming
up the river. I sent the pilot, Henry Hakin, on
board to take care of her. The wind—. We all slept on board.

28.11. 4 A.M. at 7 Mr. Harris and Groves went in the
Government boat to Hobart Town after break­
fast. Capt. Rhodes and self went in his boat.
At $ past 10 we arrived. I waited on the Gover­
nor. At 11 the George schooner, Capt. Steward,
anchor’d in the Bay. I dined with the Gov. Capt. Rhodes slept in my marque. We were all
much delighted with the excursion, and indebted
to Capt. Rhodes for his attention to us. I brought
the Houen pine home with me, the first seen.

29.11. 4 A.M. Capt. Rhodes breakfasted and dined with
me and Mr. Johnson. Found that the ground
at my garden would not do. The well was very
bad; salt water.

3.12. 4 . . . . The Governor gave me leave to exchange the
ground for a garden.

13.12. 4 I went to my new garden and had it mark’d
out (10).

21.12. 4 A.M. at 9 the Governor and self went to the
place where I fix’d upon for a house. He gave
orders that the ground work should be begun on
Monday at $ past 11. My two men returned from
Risdon and brought home with them 4 kangaroos.
Mr. Harris dined with me. The day so hot I
could not dine in my marque. I dined at Mr.
Harris house. Mr. Janson came in the eve.

2.1. 5 A.M. this morn two men, Forsaw and Munden,
began to put my cottage up at my garden.

3.1. 5 At 4 a.m. the house of Joseph Michael, Jew,
caught fire and was consumed.

30.1. 5 The masons tiled in my pigeon house, the first
tiled house in the Colony.

22.2. 5 A.M. at 10 I struck my marque and had it
pitched near the cottage.

25.2. 5 A.M. at 10 I married Mich. Mansfield and
Sophia Childers in my cottage.

25.4. 5 This day two years we sail’d from Spithead, the
Ocean transport in company with us.

26.4. 5 General Orders, Government House, Hobart
Town, 26th April, 1805. The commissary will on
Tuesday next issue the following rations weekly:­

3lbs. beef.

6 , flour.

6 , wheat.

6oz. sugar.

27.4. 5 A.M. at 11 Mr. Groves and self went up the
river and caught some very fine rock codd. My
man returned with my dogs and brought a very
fine emew and kangaroo.

4.5. 5 At 11 discovered a very daring robbery which
John Earl, my gardener, had committed upon me
by breaking into my closet. I found brandy and
some pick lock keys upon him.

(10) This would refer to Knopwood’s property later known as “Cottage
Green”; before the cottage was built, Knopwood’s camp was situated in
a position now occupied by the western side of Argyle Street, opposite the
present Museum.
5 This morn my man that rob'd me receiv'd part of his punishment of 500 lashes.

5 At 12 I went afishing and caught 38 rock cod, some very large, and 5 perch and some flatheads, in all about 60 fish, and returned home at 5 p.m. to dinner.

21. 5 A.M. at 10 the weather remarkably fine. Vanstretton employ'd erecting my cottage chimney and oven and stove. At 11 I went out afishing and caught a very large crayfish, the first that was taken in this colony, and I gave to His Honour.

5 At 12 I went out afishing and caught some very fine perch, rock cod, and a crayfish.

31. 5 At 12 I went out in my boat afishing and caught a very large crayfish, the first that was taken in this colony, and I gave to His Honour.

5 2 p.m. I went out afishing and caught some very fine perch, rock cod, and a crayfish.

2. 6. 5 This morn my man came back from Kangaroo hunting and had very great success. Kill'd 3 large kangaroos and 2 very fine emus. My little sow had young piggs.

2. 6. 5 At 10 Mr. Grove and self went in my boat on board the Richard and Mary to buy some sheep, but found that they were too dear.

18. 6. 5 A.M. engaged all the morn upon business examining the 5 prisoners that went into the bush. They inform'd me that on the 2nd May when they were in the wood they see a large Tyger that the dog they had with them went nearly up to and when the tyger see the men which were about 100 yards from it it went away. I make no doubt but here are many wild animals which we have not yet seen.
The number of kangaroos killed by my dogs in two months and 2 days were 66, and the quantity given away and used in the house did not amount to less than £160. This day I send one to the stores, after being skin'd and well cleand, weighd 105lbs. My dogs have killed the largest and have had only two men out with them when others of the officers have had three and four men out at a time with theirs, besides a government boat at command, which I have not once had.

15.10. My man returnd from the Coal river. Gains brought home some Coal from the river, and very good.

16.10. A.M. at 8 The Sophia, Mr. W. Collins, made the signal for sailing. 11, George Collins, the Lt. Govnr son, calld upon me to take his leave. 1 p.m., I see Mary Collins, the Lt. Gov. daughter, and wish'd her health, &c. 5 p.m., the Lt. Gov. went on board the Sophia with his son and daughter and left them there.

6.11. A party of settlers from Norfolk Island came to see my land which they all like very much, and said it was the only place worth seeing.

2. 1. A.M. at 8 past 4 I waited upon His Honor the Lt. Govnr at 1 past we with Mr. Bowden the 1st assistant Surgeon and Mr. Harris the surveyor walkd to the Govmt. Farm where we breakfasted at 7. We got into the Govnr 6 oar boat and went up the river to the first fall where we arrivd at half past 5, a distance about 40 miles from Hobart Town. There we had two huts built at a past 6 we sat down to a very excellent dinner, everything provided by the Governor but the kangaroo. My man met us with a very fine one kild in the morn, the same eve my man went out and kild a very fine kangaroo which I supplied all the servants and men with.

The Govnr and self slept in one hut, and Mr. Harris and Mr. Bowden in another. C.S. "Collins."

3. 1. A.M. at 5 we breakfasted, and we all set off up the river on foot about 15 miles observing the course of the river and the hills and plains, which were very extensive. The river at the distance we went was very broad and a strong current, we went to the first Cataract there we refreshed and returned at 6 p.m. to dinner the men that were left behind caught some very fine eels which we had for dinner and a very pleasant eve we had. C.S., "Success."

4. 1. A.M. at 5 we breakfasted, and at 1/2 before seven we got into the boats and went to Herdsmans Cove, the Govnr and we walkd to see the plains which were very extensive. at 2 p.m. we dind and got into the boat and came to Hobart Town, where we arrived at 8, after one of the pleasantest excursions that I ever took. I never see the Governor so comfortable and paid every attention to us that was possible. C.S., Return.

17. 3. A.M. at 10 the weather very cloudy. Went out a fishing, caught very few. At 7 p.m. the boats crew drew their seines opposite my house and enclosed so many mackerel that with difficulty they could draw the net on shore. C.S., St. Patrick.

14. 5. A.M. at 12 Capt. Sladden and the Judge Advocate calld upon me at 1 p.m. I waited upon the Lt. Govnr. We were informed of Lord Nelson's Victory and the Cape being taken I received letters and Box. C.S., Bate.

17. 5. A.M. the day very fine at 11 I took a walk to Sandy Bay and kild some wattle birds at 4 p.m. Mr. Hambleton of the King George, whaler, dind with me. C.S., "Wales."

30. 5. A.M. the magistrates met by order of a General Order to examine into the state of the Colony and to adjust the best manner for the safety of the Colony and to regulate the high price of provisions and examine the bakers, &c., &c. C.S., "Monmouth."

25. 7. A.M. at 3 some persons unknown set fire to the hospital with an intention to burn Boothman in it, but fortunately he was awake when it first broke out. They set it on fire three places,
everything was burnt in the hospital, 12 pairs of sheets, besides blankets and beds. the Lt. Govnr. gave a general reward this day of 100 Pounds and a free pardon and passage to England if anyone would discover the insenories. At 5 p.m. I dined with Capt. Johnson and met Capt. Sladden and Lt. Lord. C.S., “Discover.”

6. 8. 6 A.M. the weather very wet. By Lt. Symonds we had the information that the Venus, brig, commanded by Mr. Chase, was taken by the prisoners at Pt. Dalrymple and ran away with the property to a very large amount, both for Port Dalrymple and this Colony. for me there were 30gls. of spirits and a barrel of Porter. C.S., Chase.

22. 8. 6 A.M. at 8 the colours were hoisted on Hunters Island, the Lt. Govnr having appointed this day to be observed as a day of Thanksgiving for the late glorious success which attended His Majesty’s arms over the combined fleet of the enemy off Cape Trafalgar on the 21st day of October last. Divine Service was performed and attended by every officer, Civil and Military, settlers, free people, and the prisoners. Every person attended that was not prevented by sickness. At 12 a Royal Salute was fired from the Ordinance on the Parade and Capt. Hackett fired a royal salute from the Carlton, Letter of Marque, the day was very fine but cold. C.S., Victory.

25. 8. 6 A.M. the day very fine sowed an acre of wheat and had it chipped in. Capt. Sladen’s bog sale was this morn, and one pound of Tea was sold at the enormous price of six guineas a pound and bought by Lieut. Lord, the day very fine. C.S., Newark.

27. 9. 6 A.M. engaged this morn upon the bench from 9 to 3 past 12 by myself. The prisoners very greatly distressed for provisions, not any flour, meal, or maize in store. This day things sold at the following price—Biscuit 4s. per lb., meal 3½ do., Maize 3½ do., Tobacco not fit to be made use of 2½ per inch. The colony very greatly distressed for everything, and everybody crying out for the want of bread, sugar 5/- per lb. Rice 2½ and kangaroo at 1½ per lb. C.S., Cowes.

1.10. 6 The morning fine after the gale. At 1 p.m. I went up the River with my men as far as the farm that Scutter might detect my man Earl in using some of my seasond wood &c. for beds, and table. At 3 I returned when Scutter informed me that he had taken Earl with him and he was putting the beds and table together. In the eve I waited on the Govnr and requested him not to punish Earl but beged of him to give him a reprimand the table was for Beker and the beds and table though he would not acknowledge it. C.S., Croydon.

2.10. 6 A.M. this morn at 10 the Govnr Reheard Earl with a reprimand. At 1 p.m. I went out afishing and took Earl with me. In two hours opposite my house we caught in the bay 5 dozen of rock cod and 1 dozen flatheads. The weather was rainy and blowing a gale from the W.N.W. C.S., Dalkeith.

3.10. 6 A.M. this morn went out afishing had very bad success blowing hard from W.

4.10. 6 A.M. at 6 this morn I went out afishing caught very few for breakfast. The distress of the town very great for want of provisions scarce any provision for the marines and prisoners. At 11 lent my new boat to some marines to get some fish having nothing else to eat. Potatoes 2s. a lb. and Flour sold by Mr. Bate the D.J. Advocate at 6s. per lb. Mr. Collins this morn went upon Mount Direction to look for a ship, the day very cold blowing hard from S. West. Caught very few fish amidst all this scarcity of bread &c. at this season we have scarce any vegetables, the potatoes are all in the ground. C.S., Dartford.

5.10. 6 A.M. the morn very cold blowing hard. My man and a party of Marines went out afishing had very bad success. At 12 called upon His Honor the Lt. Governor he complained very much for the loss of kangaroo none being in the store and it is generally believed that the prisoners which are in the bush had taken many of the

(20) Captain Sladen returned to England in the Carlton, which left on 4th September.
gentlemen's dogs. The wind blowing very hard this morn a party of 5 went into the bush. Blowing hard from the west. C.S., Deal.

6.10. 6 A.M. the wind continued all night. At 1 p.m. blowing a very heavy gale from the West at 3 M. Mansfield came down to the Governor who informed him that there was a ship arrived in Frederick Henry Bay and that an officer of the R.Ms. one Henry Hakin was at his house. The Lt. Govnr sent a boat up for him the same eve they landed, the ship was the *King George* Whaler from Sydney. C.S., Dover.

7.10. 6 A.M. at 10 Henry Hakin the Pilot called upon me and informed me that the distress at Sydney was greater than here there were no grain or flower of any kind and that some people had died through want. At 1 p.m. I waited upon the Govnr who read me a letter from Govnr Blyth the new Govnr and likewise of the new Ministry in England. Mr. Fox Secretary for the Foreign Department and Lt. Spencer for the Home &c. &c. &c. At 2 Capt. Johnson and Lt. Henderson the officer which came from England called upon me. Lt. H. came to relieve Capt. Sladden and Lt. Breeden who was on board the *King George* to relieve Capt. Johnson who is recalled by the Admiralty. I had a letter from the Revd. Mr. Marsden, a very great change of affairs in England. C.S., "Henderson," the new officer of marines.

8.10. 6 A.M. at 9 I took my 3 men with Guns and sent to kill kangaroo we had very bad success the ship did not arrive. Came home at 5 p.m. C.S., Deptford.

13.10. 6 A.M. at 5 went out a fishing. At 11 engaged upon business Xnd. Mrs. Sargent's child and took lunch at Mr. Bowden's. Waited upon the Govnr the day very fine. It is truly lamentable to see the distress that the people are in not a man able to do any work, what few there are employed in unloading the *King George*, the Lt. Govnr is obliged to give them pork and beef 4lb. a man, all our Poultry are dying having nothing to give them. The poor pigeons &c. &c. are all dying and at this season we should have young ducks and chickings. My poor pigeons are all most dead for want of provisions only 4 remaining out of 16. C.S., Dudley.

21.10. 6 A.M. the men came and drew the seine opposite my house and caught a great many fish. At 8 blowing very fresh from the North. Engaged upon business, this day twelve months the ever memorable battle of Trafalgar was fought. At 5 past 9 a signal was made that a strange sail was in the river. In the eve lightning. C.S., Egham.

28.10. 6 A.M. the distress of the Colony beyond conception meat 3 6/ per lb. Coarse meal 9s. and potatoes 1/6 a lb. Indian corn 7/- a lb. and very bad and a very little to be obtained. No work to be done, the poor people go out a fishing. C.S., Furnham.

29.10. 6 A.M. at 6 I went in my boat down to Brown's River a fishing and took my gun kill'd 4 ducks return'd at 6 p.m. to dinner. My Pigeons dying for want of provisions and poultry. Finish every grain of corn &c. for my pigeons. C.S., Flint.

1.11. 6 A.M. at 11 I waited upon the Govnr. 12 went to Captain Johnson when we took a walk. At 6 p.m. the Govnr punish'd 6 men from the ship Ferret with 200 lashes each because they refused to let 2 casks of biscuit and 3 of flower land for the relief of the colony. In the eve I call'd upon Mr. Groves. C.S., Duckworth.

4.11. 6 A.M. at 11 waited upon the Lt. Govnr. Afterwards took a walk with my gun. Mr. Bates call'd upon me upon business. At 3 p.m. a little rain. 4 Connolly brought me a little black cat. This day we had 2 lbs. of biscuit and 1 lb. of flour a week each man a very great relief to the Colony. C.S., Greenwich.

29.11. 6 A.M. at 8 got into the boat went across the river sent 2 men out akangarooing self and Earl took guns and went after some ducks at a lagoon. I see three snipes and had the good luck to kill 2.
On my return home I gave them to the Governor who wrote me the following note:—

"Dear Sir,

I feel much obliged for your handsome present of what I did not know we had in this Country and which I with pleasure accept as a very great treat. Yours truly, DAVID COLLINS.

29th Nov. 1806.

Revd. R. Knopwood.

The first snipes killed in this Country.

Earl killed a couple of Teal.

C.S., Hockliffe.

18.12. 6 A.M. at 9 Mr. Williams the settler called and I paid him 10£ the reward I offered for any one that would bring my bitch to me at home all the day. C.S., Kirklham.

19.12. 6 A.M. this morn engaged upon the bench and I had the following prisoners to try myself being the only acting magistrate in the Colony at 11 Capt. Johnson Lieut. Lord Lieut. Breedon Mr. Bowden Surgeon attended the Court.

Lashes.

Absent 8 weeks 300 Thos. Tooms for absenting himself from labour & stealing

5 " 200 Burchall do.

3 " 100 Plunkett do.

11 " 300 Duff do.

100 Crener for robbing Kennedy's garden.

After the Court I took a walk with the Govnr at 2 p.m. Capt. Johnson Mr. Bowden called upon me. C.S., Kneetsford.

20.12. 6 At 11 I went out afishing had very bad success the day cold and my man Earl killed me a couple of ducks and a pigeon the wind blowing hard from the west. At 11 the punishment of the prisoners took place. C.S., Lancaster.

22.12. 6 At 11 I went out afishing and caught some flatheads the wind blowing a strong sea breeze. Came home to dinner at 5 p.m. at 6 went out again in the bay opposite my house and caught some rock codd and a large barracoota measured 4 feet 2 inches long and weight 6lbs.4. C.S., Longford.

24.12. 6 A.M. the day remarkably hot blowing fresh from the N.W. at 1 p.m. waited upon the Govnr. Thomas Salmon came in from the bush. Henry Hatkin returned from the Houin with 100 swans which were delivered to the prisoners in the eve called upon McCauley. Xmas eve, the day very hot at 1 past 3 p.m. the thermometer was 102.

C.S., Leeds.

7. 1. 7 The morning fine after the rain at 11 I went across the water and killed three snipes came home late to dinner. C.S., Cheshire.

18.1. 7 A.M. at 11 performed divine service 5 p.m. dined with Captain Johnson and bought a dog name Chance gave him £25 for it. C.S., Middleton.

25.1. 6 A.M. at 11 performed divine service. At 4 p.m. I dined with the Lt. Govnr. We got exceedingly merry. C.S., Moreton.

11.2. 7 A.M. at home all the day. At 4 p.m. Lieut. Laycock of the New South Wales Regt. and 4 men armed arrived here by land from the settlement at Port Dalrymple. They were 9 days from the settlement but 7 walking it the first party that have ever come from Port Dalrymple.

He came to inform His Govnr of the distress of that settlement. We can afford no relief. C.S., Penrith.

20.2. 7 A.M. at 11 sat upon the bench to try a prisoner which was sent in from the farm this eve Henry Hatkin returned from going part of the way with Lt. Laycock to Pt. Dalrymple. the wr. very hot. We had a very small shower of rain this eve—sea breeze strong. C.S., Portsmouth.

24.2. 7 A.M. at 12 waited upon the Lt. Govnr and informed him of Stokes conduct. He begd of me not to punish him. The distress of the Colony very great Meat 3.6 per lb. very small fish 2/- per doz. the flatheads which are by much the most plentiful in the River. Wheat not to be obtained at 6£ per bushell and barley 5£ per bushell—Salt pork 2/6 and 3s. per lb. Potatoes 1.6 per lb. Rio Tobacco £2.10.0 per lb. and very difficult to b3 obtain. Sugar very coarse at 1£ per lb. not a piece of lump sugar in the Colony. C.S., Ramsey.
7 A.M. at 9 Mr. Harris breakfasted with me. Afterwards walked to the farm, there met all the settlers upon business concerning a public road. . . . C.S., Rochester.

7 A.M. at daylight Lieut. Lord took his boat and went down the River, on going, observed a brig lying in Kangaroo Bay made sail to her. At sunrise she fired a gun the whole of the prisoners were so rejoiced that they gave three cheers, at 8 a boat came from her with Capt. Forrest who had the Sydney the brigs named Duchess of York from India in 2 months passage Captain Forrest in going to India in the Sydney had the misfortune to run his ship upon a reef of rocks, lost the ship and himself and 49 men took to the launch and long boat and with difficulty in 49 days reachd Amboida. at 1 p.m. I went on board the Dutchess of York and self came on shore and at 4 Capt. Johnson Forrest and self dined with the Lt. Govnr. C.S., Forrest.

7 A.M. at home all day the people employd in getting things from the ship at 5 p.m. I dind at Lt. Lords but was very unwell was obligd to come away very early. C.S., Arrival.

7 A.M. at 9 took a walk with Capt. Johnson and Forrest 12 the Govrn and self with Mrs. P. went on board Capt. Forrest's ship and took Clifford. We stayd there some time, a quantity of spirit was landed and almost every body was drunk.

7 A.M. at 11 the Lt. Govnr and self with Capt. Forrest took a walk Divine service was not performed unwell that I could not dine at Capt. Johnson. C.S., Rugby.

7 A.M. this day a quantity of spirits was landed I got 223 gall. from the ship and many things unwell that I could not dine at Mr. Bowdens. C.S., Rye.

7 A.M. at 10 I went on board the Duchess of York 5 p.m. Capt. Johnson Lt. Lord Lt. Breedon Capt. Forrest Lt. Rankin Mr. Fosbrook Mr. Janson and Mr. Bowden dined with me. C.S., St. Albans.

11. 3. 7 A.M. at 1 p.m. Mr. Bowden and self went on board. At 5 p.m. I dind at Mr. Fosbrooks and met the same party. C.S., St. Ives.

12. 3. 7 A.M. at home all day. C.S., Saltash.

13. 3. 7 A.M. this morn I took a long walk with my gun at 5 p.m. I dind with Mr. Janson and met Mr. Fosbrook, Bowden, Lt. Lord. C.S., Salthill.

15. 3. 7 A.M. divine service was not performed being busy in clearing the ship at 10 p.m. we had a fine shower of rain which we had not had for 5 months in the eve I hurt myself violently with a fall from my steps of the door. C.S., Selkirk.

29. 4. 7 A.M. at 11 performed divine service. I had the New Surplice for the first time. C.S., Stains.

16. 4. 7 A.M. at home all the day. 1 p.m. the Lt. Govnr paid the Royal Marines a second payment since they came from England, 1803. C.S., Tooting.

28. 4. 7 A.M. the weather very fine after the gale. At 9 sent for the bakers and reduced the price of bread a fine loaf 2lbs. for 4s. before 5s. Afterwards walkd to the Govmt Farm killd 6 wattle birds, sowd parusel seed the eve rain, sent my men out after crayfish to Browns River. C.S., Ware.

29. 4. 7 A.M. the morning very fine after the rain. At home all the morning. Lt. James McCauley went out to try his new bitch. My men came home with crayfish some very large about 3 dozen and some perch. C.S., Warwick.
25. 7.  7 A.M. the morning blowing hard with rain till 8 when it began to clear up at 11 I went Capt. Johnson called upon me and took a kangaroo stake afterwards I went to his house with him. This day Hopkins served to the Lt. Govnr open a Publick House the sign of the Whale Fishery, and at 8 p.m. Capt. Johnson called upon Mr. Janseon Mr. Bowden, Humphrey and self supped there myself in the chair. At 11 past 11 we came away, the wr. very wet and cold.

Mr. Collins house was robbed of property to the amount of 250£ or 300. C.S., Weston.

6. 9.  7 A.M. at home all the morning. 2 p.m. I took a walk and observed a boat coming up the river on my return I received two letters from England one from Lord Spencer and Mr. Austin by the ship Sarah, Capt. Bristow who left this settlement on the 4th August 1806 in the ship Ocean. His Lordship informed me that he had received an offer black swans safe by the Carlton whaler Captain Hatcrow. C.S., Hereford.

11. 9.  7 A.M. this morn I sent His Honor the Lt. Govnr 21 heads of asparagus, at 1 p.m. I waited upon the Govnr and we took a long walk afterwards he read to me an account of the death of Lord Claremont. This day I received a very large Cheshir cheese of 60lbs. from Lord Spencer and a barrel of porter, but by some means the case was not more than half full only 25 gallons. Marsh one of the bushrangers came in and the Govnr punished him 300 lashes. C.S., Enderby.

28. 9.  7 A.M. at home all the day. I sent my man to the farm for the cow and calf, but the calf was lost. Mr. Clark sent me word. C.S., Abbott.

11.11. 7 A.M. at 9 Mr. Shipman came and measured two acres of land for me which I gave a grant to my friend Mrs. McCusley. at 4 p.m. Mr. Shipman and Mr. Chase who married the Lt. Govnr daughter dined with me. C.S., Brampton.

2.12.  7 A.M. at home all the morning. at 5 p.m. Lieut.-Kent H.M. ship Lady Nelson Capt. Patterson of the City of Edinborough and Mr. Berry and Lt.-
2. 5. 8 Soon after breakfast we got into the boat and proceeded up the river. I kill'd 2 ducks and sent the men out akangaroing they had no success made a fire got our dinner and slept there it was a dreadful cold night.

3. 5. 8 At daylight we sent out 2 of our men akangaroing and they were to meet us at the first river. I kill'd a duck and they brought 1 kangaroo. Breakfasted there and at 12 proceeded up the river to the first fall. Got there about 4, took refreshment and came down to Dennis McCartys where we din'd sent the men to fish for eels, they caught some and we had them for supper, slept there and had a very wet night, the house was not covered in.

4. 5. 8 A.M. at 12 we made sail and came down the river the wind fair till we came to long reach when it blew a gale of wind against us. It was with great difficulty that we could keep the boat off shore, the sea ran very high. At 7 oclock as we came by Hunters Island we heard 4 guns fired from a ship in the River, and the Lt. Govnr sent a boat down the river, when I got home Mr. Littlejohn was at my house.

2. 6. 8 A.M. the morning very fine this day I gave my men some meat and spirits, it being my birth day. C.S., Madras.

13. 7. 8 Early this morn I took my boat and went over to Ralphs Plain where I had 400 acres (21) of glebe land markd out by Mr. Shipman and in the eve I returnd home. C.S., Cooke.

SHIPPING & WHALING.

6.3.1804 ... At 6 a.m. H.M. brig Lady Nelson (22) saild for Pt. Jackson with a fair wind.

10. 3. 4 At 4 a schooner appeared in sight. Name, the Pilgrim, Capt. Dilans who has the Perseverance.

24. 3. 4 ... Sailed the Ocean transport to Pt. Philip for the civil, military officers, &c. &c.

26. 3. 4 A.M. at 6 saild the American schooner Capt. Amasa Delano for Kents Bay.

18. 4. 4 A.M. at ½ past 6 Capt. Bowen and Mr. Wilson from Risdon Cove, call'd on me and took me with them to Ralphs Bay where we breakfasted on shore, and walkd to Frederick Henry Bay. Many of the natives were there. At ½ past 8 we went on board the Integrity (23) cutter from Kents Bay, commanded by Mr. Rushworth.

23. 4. 4 ... Sailed this morn the Pilgrim schooner Capt. Dilans to the South Cape asceling.

24. 4. 4 ... This day twelvemonth we weighd anchor, and anchord at St. Helens in company with the Ocean transport.

25. 4. 4 ... Sailed the Integrity cutter for Sidney, Mr. Rushworth commander.

6. 5. 4 ... at 1 p.m. anchor'd in the Bay the Nancy (24) cutter from Port Jackson with dispatches for Lt. Gov. Collens.

18. 5. 4 A.M. sail'd at 7 the Nancy for Kings Island asceling.

19. 5. 4 ... at 6 p.m. the Nancy in sight working out of the river.

8. 6. 4 A.M. at 10 Mr. Wilson came to the camp. At 11 I went to the Island to look out for the Ocean. At 2 p.m. I took a walk, and in the eve drank tea with Mr. Lord. At 4 a.m. Mr. Collons the harbour master went in the white cutter to Betsey's Island to land 2 convicts there, to keep a look out for ships, and to make a signal at the appearance of any—by fire. C.S., St. Vincent.

10. 6. 4 ... at 8 p.m. the white cutter return'd with Mr. Collens the harbour master from Betsey's Island.

12. 6. 4. A.M. Very strong breezes. At 12 Capt. Bowen in the whale boat and Mr. Brown with him Mr. Mountgarret in his boat went to Adventure Bay. They past the camp at ½ past 12. I walk'd to the farm. At 4 heavy squalls which continued all night. C.S., Goldsmith.

14. 6. 4 A.M. at ½ past 2 continued bad wr. A gun was fired from Hunters Island as signal that a fire was seen upon Betsey's Island. The day very bad. Do. wr. at 3 p.m. More moderate. Mr.

(21) Knopwood, later in life, retired to this property at Bokeby.

(22) The Lady Nelson, a brig of 60 tons.

(23) The Integrity, a cutter of 59 tons, built in Sydney, 1800-04.

(24) The Nancy, a 20 ton sloop, built at Hawkesbury River, N.S.W.
Collins the harbour master, went into Ralphs Bay where he was to continue all night. C.S., Cornwall.

22. 6. 4 A.M. at 7 Mr. Collins in the white cutter and black boat went into Ralphs Bay with an intention to go to Frederick Henry. Continual rain all this morn. At 4 p.m. we observed a ship coming up the river. At 9 Lt. Johnson landed from the Ocean which had brought the party we had left at Pt. Philip after a passage of thirty three days during which she had a gale; 21 days laying under her bare poles expecting for some days that the ship would have went down, the sea so high and the wind so bad. C.S., Coke.

23. 6. 4 A.M. moderate. The Ocean under sail. At 11 Mr. Mountgarret and Mr. Brown came from Risdon. At 4 p.m. I went there with them, and slept at Mr. Mountgarrets. C.S., Ocean.

24. 6. 4 A.M. at 11 performed divine service. At 5 p.m. came home and waited upon the Lt. Govnr. Ocean not come up. C.S., Mansfield.

25. 6. 4 The Ocean under sail. At 4 p.m. she came to an anchor in Sullivan Cove. At 5 I dined with Lt. Lord and Lt. Johnstone. In the eve Capt. Mertho and Lt. Sladden and Mr. Janson came there. The camp equipage landed. C.S., Mertho.

1. 7. 4 At ½ past 10 Lt. Johnston and self went to Risdon by order of Lt. Govnr Collins, and performed divine service there. We passed so many whales that it was dangerous for the boat to go up the river, unless you kept very near the shore. At 4 p.m. we dined with Capt. Bowen, and Lt. Sladden came there in the eve.

27. 7. 4 ... And ½ past 4 Capt. Bowen, Mr. Wilson and self got into a boat and landed at the settlers. We see a great many porpuses and a very large whale near us.

28. 7. 4 A.M. at 12 Mr. Mountgarret called upon me, and we both went on board the Ocean.

31. 7. 4 ... At 10 p.m. a boat arrived in the cove from the Alexander whaler, Capt. Rhodes belonging to the house of Mr. Hurry. Capt. Mertho's house. She had been in the south seas and had very great success. I got my certificates signed.
12. 8. 4 A.M. the Alexander whaler Capt. Rhodes, caught 2 whales opposite the Camp. At 3 p.m. the following gentlemen dined on board the Lady Barlow with Capt. McAskill:—Lt. Governor Collins and Mrs. Powers, Capt. Sladden, Lt. Johnson, Lt. Lord of the Royal Marines, Wm. Janson, Mathew Bowden, Leonard Fosbrook, G. P. Harris, and self. We were all very merry. C.S., Long Live.

13. 8. 4 The Alexander whaler caught a very fine whale.

26. 8. 4 Saw Capt. Rhodes of the Alexander, whaler kill 2 whales.

4. 9. 4 My boat was finished.

5. 9. 4 A.M. at 11 I walked to the farm where I took my boat and went to Risdon Cove with my dogs. At 4 p.m. went and killed a large kangaroo. I slept at Mr. Mountgarrett’s house that was. Rain and snow. C.S., Genner.

7. 9. 4 A.M. at 10 saild awailing the Alexander ship Capt. Rodes to Adventure Bay.

23.10. 4 At 10 the Lt. Governor and self in his boat went across the river to see what ship was coming in. At 12 we returnd and concluded it to be the Alexander whaler Capt. Rhodes. At 8 p.m. a boat came on shore with the Captain.

4.12. 4 At 11 I went on board the George schooner.

6.12. 4 At 4 Mr. Harris, Fosbrook, and Capt. Stewart of the George schooner dined with me of mutton.

11.12. 4 At 6 the George schooner Capt. Steward got under weigh and went down the river to Kings Island for seal skins.


16. 1. 5 The Myrtle arrived in Sullivan’s Cove and saluted the Govnr. with 11 guns.

5. 1. 5 Ship Sophia from Sydney.

18. 2. 5 A.M. at 4 saild the ship Myrtle, Capt. Henry Barber, for Norfolk Island and to the North West Coast of America.

3. 3. 5 Nancy, schooner, from Port Dalrymple. As she came past Oyster Bay she took up 3 men that belonged to the Sophia, that were sealing there.

The natives had destroyed about 2,000 skins which they had taken since they were on the island.

7. 3. 5 Sophia saild.

9. 3. 5 Nancy saild for King Island. A boat arrivd from the Sophia. Contrary winds had prevented her leaving the river.

7. 5. 5 I heard a whale in the river this eve.

9. 5. 5 Enquiry re/plan of certain prisoners to steal the new whale boat and voyage to New Zealand.

9. 6. 5 A ship in sight.

10. 6. 5 Whaler Richard and Mary out 18 months from London, Captain Lucas.

14. 6. 5 A boat came up the river from the Good Intent, Schooner, Mr. Kelly, Commander, from King Island.

24. 6. 5 A.M. at 8 I was informd that six men had deserted from the camp and had taken my boat with them, and the Government cars. Camel and Fernsfort took my boat away to the point where they had planted something.

26. 6. 5 A.M. saild this morn the Schooner and a party of marines with Hakin in it.

1. 7. 5 A.M. the whale boats brought a whale which they had killd in Sandy Bay.

2. 7. 5 A.M. at 11 I went on board the Richard and Mary, Whaler, Capt. Lucas. They had finished cutting the whale. It was very large. 5 p.m. at 5 the Gov’s son dined with me. The time twelve months the river was full of whale.

16. 7. 5 A ship was seen off Storm Bay.

18. 7. 5 Whaler, King George, anchor’d in Sullivan’s Cove.

19. 7. 5 A.M. at 11 a large whale opposite my house and two boats from the King George whaler after her. They kill’d the calf, but she went down immediately. They did not kill the cow. At 2 p.m. I took a walk to Sandy Bay and see some pigeons, it is remarked that the bronswig pigeons have not left us this winter, which shows it is not so severe as last.

20. 7. 5 A.M. at 9 the boats were after whale in the river. At home all day.
21. 7. 5 Whaler, King George, went down the River.
23. 7. 5 Sophia, Capt. Collins, from Sydney anchord in Cove.
25. 7. 5 The vessels that are whale fishing here are the Richard and Mary, whaler, Capt. Lucas of the house of Lucas & Co., London King George, Whaler, Capt. Moody, owners Lord, Cable, and Underwood, Sydney.
26. 7. 5 Richard and Mary (having secured many whales in Frederick Henry Bay) anchord opposite the town.
28. 7. 5 A.M. at home all the day. A great many whales in the river beyond Hobart Town.
31. 7. 5 A.M. at 11 I walkd towards Sandy Bay to kill a few whattle birds. In coming home I see a kangaroo and set my Nettle at it she drove it down towards me, I shot at it and killed. 4 p.m. calld on Capt. Lucas who informd me they had killed many whales at Frederic Henry Bay. At 10 p.m. his ship anchord opposite the town.
2. 8. 5 A.M. at 11 I took a walk and met my man who came down in Clark's Boat from Herdaman's Cove having killed 2 Kangaroos and 2 Emews at 3 p.m. Mr. Lucas's Man caught a large whale near Hobart Town and while they were towing it to the ship a whale was aground opposite my house upon the shore but got off again. Not a glass of spirits in the Colony to be had.
10. 9. 5 "Ocean, whaler four months since from England in Adventure Bay where she had been 26 days and taken 60 tons of oil."
16. 9. 5 Ocean, whaler, saild from Adventure Bay.
21. 9. 5 The King George, Whaler, Captain Moody, came from the East side of the Bay from Adventure Bay where it had been whaling to land his oil with Mr. Collins.
27. 9. 5 At 9 I went across the River to see the Try Works. They had a great quantity of oil in cases. Mr. Collins bought 100 tun of oil from Capt. Moody of the King George Whaler which he had caught since she had been in the river.
29. 9. 5 At 11 saild the King George Whaler.
3.10. 5 A.M. at 11 two strange boats were seen coming up the River. 12 they arrivd at Hobart Town. The men came from Schooting Island as they had no provisions left and 4 came in my boat to my great joy. 2 p.m. I went to the Guard House where the boats lay and the Govnor came to me. He gave me the joy of the return of my boat.
4.10. 5 The Sophia anchord in the Cove. She came from Frederick Henry Bay with oil.
5.10. 5 A.M. at 7 saild the Richard & Mary, whaler, Capt. Lucas to Sydney.
14.10. 5 A.M. at 8 the Schooner Recovery which had been awailing here sometime saild for Sydney.
16.10. 5 This day saild the Ocean, whaler, Capt. Bristow from Adventure Bay where she got 70 tun of black whale oil in a month to Norfolk Island from thence to New Zealand for Spermat Oil. The Ocean, whaler, was only 20 days in Adventure Bay and took 60 tun of oil for when the season closes the fishery opens in New Zealand.
17.10. 5 Capt. Lucas ship, the Richard and Mary, was obliged to weigh anchor and go up the river she brought four whales up to the try potts.
17.10. 5 A.M. at 8 the Sophia, Mr. Collins, saild for Sydney.
23.10. 5 Governor Hunter, Schooner, anchord in the Bay and by her arrivd 682 bushels of wheat and pork to the very great comfort of the Colony (25).
3.11. 5 This morn saild the Governor Hunter, schooner, for Port Jackson.
5.11. 5 H.M.S. Buffalo anchord in Cove at 3 past 4. She came from Sydney with a few provisions.
13.11. 5 H.M.S. Buffalo said.
28.11. 5 At 12 a signal was made that a ship was in sight. 4 p.m. she anchord in the Bay. The ship Sydney, Capt. Forest, from Norfolk Island and by her returnd Lt. Lord.

(25) For weeks previously the inhabitants had been reduced to famine...
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The ship *Sydney* went across the River to the Try Works to take in oil.

A.M. the *Sydney* came near Hobart Town and anchor'd.

6 The *Marcia* (26), schooner, arrived from Port Dalrymple.

6 The *Sophia*, Mr. William Collins, from Sydney, anchor'd in the cove. Brought 110 bushels of maize.

6 The *Marcia* said.

6 A.M. at 6 the *Sophia* went out of the bay and anchor'd in the middle of the River.

6 A.M. at 12 I call'd upon Lt. Govnr. Collins and he inform'd me that he was going to send a letter to the officers at 4 p.m. Mr. Fosbrook and Mr. Bowden call'd upon me. This day a whale boat belonging to Messrs. Cambel & Co was upset in the river and 2 men lost in it. I had permission to go down the river.

6 A.M. this day a whale was seen in the river near Ralphs Bay.

6 A.M. at 7 sail'd the *Estremina*, Lt. Oxley.

6 *King George*, Whaler, arriv'd from Sydney, bringing letters which had reach'd Sydney in the *Wm. Pitt*.

6 A.M. at 8 I see three boats from the *King George*, whaler, off after whales in the River.

6 Sailed the *King George* to Frederick Henry Bay awhaling.

6 Early this morn I went to Ralphs Bay with my gun. . . . Return'd in eve. . . . Observ'd a strange sail in Frederick Henry Bay.

6 I gave information to the Governor of the ships in Frederick Henry Bay.

6 A.M. divine service could not be perform'd. At 10 three whales in front of my house. Mr. Collins sent 2 boats after them. I dind with the Lt.

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(26) The *Marcia* was a schooner of 26 tons belonging to Kable & Co. of Sydney.
14. 7. 6 A.M. at 12 I went with my boat to the Carlton, Capt. Hatcrow who was awahaling down the River. At 3 p.m. I got on board. They were busy in boiling the blubber. 5 p.m. the boats came up with a very large whale.

15. 7. 6 A.M. at 10 Capt. Hatcrow and self went on shore in my boat, his boats were off after whales. 3 p.m. we got on board. Lt. Lord came to the ship and Capt. Bristow of the Ocean whaler. 4 p.m. Capt. Hatcrow boats brought up a very large whale.

16. 7. 6 A.M. this morn blowing very fresh from the south. We remained all on board Capt. Hatcrow's boats out awahaling. 4 p.m. the boats returnd with a very large whale. 5 p.m. moderate wr. and Capt. Bristow on board his ship.

17. 7. 6 A.M. the whale that they brought on board yesterday made 90 barrels of oile. We dind on board at 3 p.m. Mr. Lord and self came to Hobart Town. In the eve supperd with Lt. Lord.

20. 7. 6 The King George, whaler, Capt. Moody anchord in the bay. The distress of the Colony for want of grain that the rations are vix To the officers 3lbs. of wheat & 8lbs. of Kangaroo. To the prisoners 2lbs. of Indian corn and 8 of Kangaroo.

30. 7. 6 The King George, whaler, said.

1. 8. 6 A.M. at 7 Lt. Lord and self went in the Govmt Cutter to Capt. Bristow's ship in Storm Bay Passage.

4. 8. 6 At 10 saild the Ocean whaler from Storm Bay Passage for England.

5. 8. 6 A.M. at 4 I was informed that a ship was come from Sydney, the Esteirmina, brig with provisions for the Colony. At 1 p.m. information was given that ship was at anchor in the River. 3 p.m. she anchord in the Bay, the Criterion from Sydney, last cargo, of Tea, Nankin and China. When the Esteirmina arrivd we had only provisions for 2 servings a week.

10. 8. 6 2 p.m. saild the Criterion, the Mexican ship, commanded by Mr. Chace.

14. 8. 6 A.M. at 8 saild the Esteirmina, Lt. Simmonds, for Port Jackson.

18. 8. 6 At 3 p.m. the Carlton, letter of Marque, stood up the River. At 6 she anchord on the east side of the River. The wind contrary for her coming up.

19. 8. 6 At 8 the Carlton, letter of Marque, working into the Bay. ½ past 11 she anchord and fir'd salute which was returnd by the Garrison.

22. 8. 6 A.M. at 8 the colours were hoisted on Hunters Island the Lt. Govnr, having appointed this day to be observed as a day of thanksgiving for the late glorious success which attended His Majesty's arms over the combined fleet of the enemy off Cape Trafalgar on the 21st day of October last. At 12 a Royal Salute was fir'd from the Ordinance on parade and Capt. Hatcrow fir'd a Royal Salute from the Carlton, Letter of Marque.
commanded by Capt. Phillip Skelton anchored in the Bay. She left England on 3rd June and stopp’d only at Jago Prage Bay.

11. 6 At 6 p.m. the Govr. punished 6 men from the ship Ferret with 200 lashes each because they refused to let 2 casks of biscuits and 3 of flour land for the relief of the colony.

13. 6 At 11 A.M. waited upon his Honor the Lt. Govr. 2 p.m. went out a fishing. Anchord in the Bay the Ferret, whaler, from a cruise she did not kill any whales. Rain very much wanted.

24. 6 At 9 I went down the river into Ralphs Bay and see the Try Works with Mr. Groves.

1. 7 At 11 performed divine service. 4 p.m. I dined with the Govr. at 6 Mr. Collins boat came up the river from Cape Barren where they had been sealing since September kill’d 2000 seals.

4. 7 A ship reported.

5. 7 The Duchess of York, brig. Capt. Forrest, two months out from India arrived.

19. 7 A.M. at 7 the Duchess of York moved out into the fairway. H.M. Brig Estremina, Lt. Symmonds, from Port Jackson arrived.

22. 7 A past 11 Duchess of York saluted with 11 guns and made sail for Port Dalrymple.

26. 7 The Ferret, whaler, anchord. She had come from the coast of New Zealand where she had met bad weather. Just before making for the Derwent the Ferret had sighted the Two Brothers, 5 months and 10 days out from England.

30. 7 In the eve Mr. Collins arrived with the Govr. Hunter, schooner.

2. 4. This morning early sail’d H.M. Brig Estremina, Lt. Symmonds, for Port Dalrymple.

19. 4. This morning sail’d the Govr. Hunter, schooner for Cape Barren after seals.

20. 4. At 7 p.m. a strange boat came up the river and brought the Cap. of the ship Aurora which was in Frederick Henry Bay.

1. 5. The Aurora, whaker came and anchord in Ralphs Bay, Capt. Merrich.

9. 5. At 11 information that a large ship was standing up the River. At 7 p.m. anchord in the Bay the Eliza, whaler, Capt. Bunker from Port Jackson, belonging to the house of Bennet & Co., London. She was from England 18 months has been off the coast of New Zealand.

16. 5. This morn the Govr. sent for me to try Garret a prisoner for purchasing stolen property from the ship Elizabeth, Capt. Bunker. At 1 p.m. I went on board to take refreshment with Capt. Bunker.

18. 5. Said the Elizabeth, Capt. Bunker to Frederick Henry Bay awhaling.

30. 5. A.M. blowing very hard. At 11 the Aurora and Elizabeth anchord near the town. In the afternoon Capt. Merrich and Capt. Bunker came up to Hobart Town.

31. 5. A.M. at 7 Capt. Merrich went on board the Aurora and at 11 seeing a whale he went after it with only one boat, he struck her and when she rose again he put another iron into her, she then turned and struck the boat and stove it that they were obliged to cut the ropes which held the whale, the boat fill’d so fast that they were oblig’d to hand on their oars in that dreadful state they continued. One man was knock’d over when the whale struck the boat and went down at 1 p.m. Another of the men died in the boat, and at 2 another died. Capt. Merrich and 2 men continued in the boat with the water up to their waists till a boat from the Elizabeth came to their assistance, and had not the boat fortunately arrived every soul must have perish’d as they were so deep in the water and they began to be still with the cold water.

1. 6. At 11 the Lt. Govr. sent for me and requested that I would burry 2 men from the Aurora Capt. Merrich, at 12 4 boats came up the river 3 from Capt. Mc. and the other from Capt. Bunker towing the bodies of the deceased. They landed at the Wait and the bodies were attended to the Grave by Capt. Merrich as chief mourner and Capt. Bunker, Mr. Collins and the crew of both ships &c Capt. Johnson Lt. Lord, G. P. Harris.
3. 6. 7 Capt. Merrick in the Aurora, a whaler, saild for Frederick Henry Bay awahiling.

13. 6. 7 Information was given that a ship was come up the river and anchord in Storm Bay Passage.

14. 6. 7 A.M. at 12 Mr. Humphrey landed from the Albion were after whales opposite my house at day at 7 p.m. Mr. Humphrey calld upon me. C.S., Humphrey.

31. 7. 7 A.M. at 9 the morning very cold ½ past 1 see many whales opposite my house, making a great noise at 12 calld upon Mr. Bowden who informed me that at 8 this morn there were 17 whales counted at the same time. C.S., Kenton.

2. 8. 7 A.M. the morn remarkably fine at 1 p.m. eight boats belonging to the Aurora, Elizabeth and Albion were after whales opposite my house at ½ past they kild one at 2 they towd the whale down the river to the ships. Calld upon Capt. Johnson and Mr. Humphrey 4 p.m. I din d with His Honor the Lt. Govnr Collins. C.S., Dunkirk.

5. 8. 7 A.M. at 11 the Lt. Govnr. sent for me and spoke about ironing John. Clark. I calld upon Mr. Collins and met Capt. Bunker, Merrick and Richardson there, they came up after whales.

17. 8. 7 Capt. Merrick came up and informed us that Capt. Bunker had gone in his ship to Frederick Henry Bay.

30. 8. 7 At 11 Capt. Merrick and Capt. Richardson came up in their boats and informed the Governor that there was a mutiny on board the Elizabeth, Capt. Bunker, the men would not do their duty because

The Govnr they had a scarcity of provisions. At ½ past 3 the Elizabeth anchord in the Bay. At 4 Capt. Johnson and self dind with the Lt. Govnr, 3 Capt. Merrick. The Govnr sent a guard of Marines on Bunker and Merrick waited upon the Govnr, Capt. M. said that he should sail for England on the Elizabeth. Tuesday the first of September. C.S., Dickson.

31. 8. 7 A.M. at 11 Mr. Collins Capt. Bunker, Capt. Merrick, and Capt. Richardson calld upon me to see the Garden and grounds which they very much liked. At 3 p.m. I waited upon the Lt. Govnr. 14 men that behavd in a very mutinous manner on board the Elizabeth, Capt. Bunker, were landed and put into the military barrack they were ironed and guard over them.

6. 9. 7 2 p.m. I took a walk and observd a boat coming up the river. On my return I received two letters from England, one from Lord Spencer and Mr. Austin by the ship Sarah. Capt. Bristow who left this settlement on the 4th August 1806 in the ship Ocean. His Lordship informd me that he had received an offer black swans safe by the Carlton whaler Captain Haterow. C.S., Hereford.

8. 9. 7 A.M. at home awriting till 2 p.m. when I delivd my letters to Capt. Bunker. At 3 Mr. Bate the Judge Advocate and Lt. Henderson went on board the Elizabeth, Capt. B. for Sydney and to take their passage to England. At 4 sailed the Elizabeth. This morn I finishd putting in all my potatoes. C.S., Banks.

1.10. 7 A.M. this morning early Garrel and Duce took my boat and went on board the Sarah, Capt. Bristow, and 5 men made their escape from the ship. 2 p.m. I waited upon the Govnr. C.S., Powsis.

2.10. 7 A.M. this morn saild the Sarah, Capt. Bristow, on a whaling voyage. At 10 the sea breeze set in and was obligd to anchor at Trywork Bay. At 7 p.m. the Lt. Govnr sent for me on business at 11 a musquet was fired from the Sarah whaler Capt. Bristow and at a cr. before 12 he fired 2 great guns. The Govnr immediately sent a party of the marines on board. C.S., Cullen.
3.10. 7 A.M. at 1 Ralph and Edwards two prisoners attempted to board the ship and were taken by the guard which was left on board. At 6 she sallid. 10 the boats left the ship, 11 Mr. Grimes Lt. Piper and Mr. Humphrey sallid upon me. Strong sea breeze. C.S., Sarah.

6.10. 7 A.M. Mr. Grimes and Lt. Piper sallid upon me to take their leave prior to their going to Pt. Dalrymple and at two p.m. they with Mr. Harris and Mr. Humphrey went up to Herdsmans Cove in my large boat. A strong sea breeze. C.S., Harris.

24.10. 7. A.M. at daylight this morning Mr. & Mrs. McC. went in my boat to Brown's River where we dined and at 5 p.m. as we were coming up we observed 2 ships standing up the river. At 6 I waited upon His Honor the Lt. Govrnr to inform him of them. C.S., Supply.

25.10. 7 A.M. at 9 His Majesty's ship Porpoise anched in the Bay and fired a salute of 18 guns which was returned by the Garrison likewise the Topaz, American ship, anchored in the bay. At 10 I waited upon the Governor where I see Lt. Simms who commanded the Porpoise. At 11 performed divine service. C.S., George.

31.10. 7 A.M. at 7 I went on board H.M. ship Porpus and breakfasted. 8 Mr. Sloane the Purser Mr. Short, Masters mate, and Midshipman C. Collins and self got into the Porpus launch with 7 men and went down the river. At 11 we entered Storm Bay Passage and proceeded to the N.W. Port where we went after some black swans and killd three in Lieut Lord's boat which we borrowed to pull after the swans it being very light. At 5 p.m. we left the Port and proceeded a little way up the Passage. The wind headed us and we anchored in a small Bay, got all our things out of the boat and dressd some dinner on . . . . . . . where we slept.

8.11. 7 A.M. at 5 sallid H.M. Ship Porpus for Sydney at home all the day—male Vespere. C.S., Simms.

21.11. 7 A.M. at 7 sallid the Speedwell schooner to Sydney commanded by Mr. McAlease. 4 past Sergt McCauley and one of the Patrole went on board the schooner. At home all the day. The Governor sent me some prayer books and bills to distribute to who I think proper. In the eve thunder at a distance. C.S., Chesterfield.

(27) Port Cyнет.
28. 11. 7 A.M. at 8 I went in my boat to Sandy Bay and observed a vessel standing up the river, came home and killed some pigeons at 4 p.m. the City of Edinborough anchored in the Bay, last from Port Dalrymple and brought Mr. Harris from thence, she came from the Cape of Good Hope. C.S., Barkley.

28. 11. 7 A.M. this morn I walked to the farm and on my return I see the Lady Nelson, brig, coming into the bay at 2 she anchored and brought some settlers men and their wives and children. Commanded by Lieut. Kent, C.S., Berry.

2. 12. 7 A.M. at home all the morning. At 5 p.m. Lieut. Kent H.M. ship Lady Nelson, Capt. Patterson of the City of Edinborough and Mr. Berry and Lieut. Lord and Mr. Harris Mr. Fosbrook Mr. Janson and self dined at the Governors in his new house the first time that he dined there. C.S., Caledon.

6. 12. 7 A.M. at 7 saild H.M. Brig Lady Nelson, Lt. Kent for Sydney, . . . . At 2 I went to Mr. Bowden to take lunch afterwards Mr. Bowden and self went on board the ship City of Edinborough where we dined.

11. 12. 7 At 6 arrivd the Governor Hunter, schooner, from Sydney with grain.

12. 12. 7 A.M. at 10 I took a walk with Mr. Berry and Capt. Patterson to see his men cutting a fine mast, 68 feet and not a not!

28. 12. 7 Saild the City of Edinborough for Sydney.

17. 1. 8 A.M. early this morning a gun was fired from a ship in Sandy Bay a boat was sent down with the pilot. H.M. Ship Porpoise arrivd from Norfolk Island with 180 settlers with thirty chl. for this Colony. at 10 she anchored in the bay at 11 performed divine service. At 2 p.m. several of the officers of the Porpoise calld upon me. C.S. Simmonz.

24. 1. 8 Very early this morn one great gun was heard at a distance, and the Lt Govrn sent the pilot down the river to Frederick Henry Bay. In the eve he returnd but could not see a ship. C.S. Arrival.


2. 3. 8 The Lady Nelson arrivd from Norfolk with settlers. C.S., Stockport.

8. 3. 8 A.M. this morning saild the Lady Nelson and ship Harrington for Sydney.

28. 3. 8 at 4 p.m. the ship Rhodes Capt. Brooks arrivd from England with a valuable cargo for Mr. Cambel of Sydney.

8. 4. 8 This morn arrivd the Perseverence Capt. Faulkner from Sydney.

9. 4. 8 A.M. this morn saild the ship Rose, Capt. Brooks for Sydney.

16. 4. 8 A.M. this morn we heard that Hall and Lockley was drown'd. At 5 p.m. arrivd the Extremina, Mr. Apsey commander. C.S., Arrival.

21. 4. 8 A.M. this morn I went out a fishing. At 5 the Perseverance went into mid channel. C.S., Scott.

22. 4. 8 A.M. early this morn saild the Perseverance for Sydney and Lt. Lord on board. C.S., "Sydney."

4. 5. 8 At 7 p.m. we heard 4 guns fired from a ship down the River.

5. 5. 8 After breakfast I waited upon the Lt. Govrn who inform'd me that the Captains name was Chase and the ship Du Buck last from Timor she has 300 ton of Sperm oil one year from England.

12. 5. 8 This morn the Du Bucke saild to Frederic Henry Bay.

28. 5. 8 This morn Mr. Humphry and Mr. Bowden call'd upon me at 12 information that a brig was coming up the River, we had information that it was the Eagle, Brig, from India belonging to the House of Cambel and Hook supercargo, Capt. Webster.

5. 6. 8 At 11 performed divine service H.M. Schooner Extremina arrivd from Norfolk Island with settlers.

9. 6. 8 A.M. early this morn one man went duck hunting and 2 kangarooing they brought home one of 80 weight. We breakfasted and at 12 got into the boat as we came out of the Passage we see 2 vessels going up to Hobart Town. At 5 we landed
at Hagans Farm where we dined, and at 6 got into the boat arrived at Hobart Town at 7 arrived the Eliza and Governor Hunter, schooners from Sydney. C.S., Dorset.

12. 6. 8 A.M. at 11 performed divine service, this morn we heard the report of a gun down the River, at 2 p.m. we had information that Capt. Chase of the Du Bucke fired a gun to a ship which he saw at anchor off Cape Pillar. Vessels laying in Sullivan Cove Hobart Town, the Eagle, brig, from Canton, the Colonial Vessel Extremina with settlers from Norfolk Island, the Gouv. Hunter, schooner, and Eliza with corn from Sydney. C.S., Ward.

13. 6. 8 A.M. in the morning I waited upon the Lt. Govnr who informed me that there was a ship in the Storm Bay at anchor . . . . . . . . . . . . the Dundee from Pulopenang Capt. Cumming at 9 sailed H.M. Schooner Extremina for Sydney. C.S., Dundes.

16. 6. 8 At 12 sailed the brig Eagle for Sydney the wind blowing very fresh at N.W. in the eve I smoked a pipe with Mr. Humphry/Engaged all the morning upon the bench. Afterwards Mr. Humphry and self walked to Sandy Bay to see the ship Dundee coming up. C.S., Longford.

29. 6. 8 A.M. at 10 the Du Bucke came and anchored in the bay.

2. 7. 8 The Du Buck sailed whaling after delivering her spirits into the Store.

6. 7. 8 At 10 the Dundee made the signal for sailing. About 7 p.m. sailed the Dundee, Capt. Cumming for Sydney.

NOMENCLATURE.

20. 4. 4 A.M. Mr. Brown returned to the Camp, and called upon me. He had been with an intention to get to the River Ewen (28) but could not. He found another river (29) which ran due south from the camp. I dined with Mr. Lord.

(28) The River Huon (named by D'Entrecasteaux, 1792). Knopwood was very careless as regards spelling, particularly so with names. The same river is referred to as the Houn and also the Hoon in other parts of the diary.


5. 6. 4 . . . They were obliged to land at Sandy Bay.

9. 6. 4 A.M. at 9 Mr. Wilson breakfasted with me, and we both went to Prince of Wales Bay (30) opposite Risdon Cove, where I left him and did not get back till 5 p.m. to dinner. Capt. Bowen from Risdon, came on purpose to see me, but I was from home.

21. 4 At 3 we returned having been up the River Huon where I see a beautiful Island which I gave the name Gardner's Island (31) in honor of Honble. A. A. Gardner, Capt. of H.M. Ship Hero.

2.12 4 A.M. at & past 10 performed divine service. I read at Church the General Order received from His Excellency the Commander in Chief of the division of the 2 counties and the settlement at Hobart Town, under the command of Lt. Govr. Collins, should be called Buckinghamshire and the one under Lt. Col. Patterson should be called Cornwall.

9. 1. 5 The Governor gave the name of the town at the farm New Town.

9. 4. 5 Sandy Bay mentioned.

8. 5. 5 Mr. Harris & Samson went down the River to Frederick Henry Bay to survey a piece of water there called Pittwater (32).

18. 2. 6 At 9 we got to Storm Bay Passage (33) at 12 past 12 at Green Island the wind blowing very fresh, at 3 we were in the River Huon at 4 opposite Gardeners Island.

12. 3. 6 I got in my boat with my dogs and men and went up the river under Mount Dromedary.

14. 3. 6 At 5 we got into my boat and came down the River, breakfasted at the bottom of Mount Direction (34) At 12 made sail under Bedlam Walls where we anchord the boat and got some very fine fish.

9. 4. 6 Early this morn I went to Browns River.

(30) Prince of Wales Bay, a name still in use. Must not be confounded with Prince of Wales Bay on the East Coast, where Tasman's ships landed.

(31) New Garden Island (Huon River).

(32) The Basin Ransomed of Baudin's Chart.

(33) Room Bay Passage—D'Entrecasteaux Channel.

(34) Mount Direction was named by Hayes.
9. 3. 4 A.M. at 8 many of the natives were about the camp, but not prevaild upon to enter. Capt. Merthow and Mr. Brown had an interview with them on the shore near the Ocean.

18. 4. 4 [At Frederick Henry Bay] ... many of the natives were there.

3. 5. 4 [At Sullivan Cove] A.M. Took a long walk in the morn; at 2 p.m. we heard the report of cannon once from Risdon. The Lt. Governor send a message to know the cause. At 5 past 7 Lt. Moore arrivd at the camp to Lt. Governor Collens, and I receivd the following note from Risdon:—

"Dear Sir,

I beg to refer you to Mr. Moore for the particulars of an attack the natives made on the camp to-day; and I have every reason to think it was premeditated, as their number farr exceeded any that we ever heard of. As you express a wish to be acquainted with some of the natives, if you will dine with me to-morrow you will oblige me by christening a fine native boy who I have. Unfortunately, poor boy his father and mother were both killd; he is about two years old. I have likewise the body of a man that was killd. If Mr. Bowden wishes to see him desected, I will be happy to see him with you to-morrow. I would have wrote to him, but Mr. Moore waits.

Your friend,
J. Mountgarret, Hobart (38), six o'clock.

The number of natives I think was not less than 5 or 6 hundred.—J.M."

At 8 Lt. Moore came to my marquee and stayd some time, he informd me of the natives being very numerous, and that they had wounded one of the settlers, Burke, and was going to burn his house down and ill treat his wife &c &c. C.S., Coventry.

4. 5. 4 A.M. neither myself or Mr. Bowden were able to get a boat to go to Risdon. Mr. Harris and Mr. Lord dind with me. C.S., Litchfield.

(35) The "Double Bay" of the French. Named "Ralph's Bay" by Hayter.

(36) Mount Faulkner apparently named after this early pioneer, whose house was near Austin's Ferry.

(37) Constitution Hill and Breakneck Hill. These names are now used to designate hills in other localities.

(38) Hobart: Bowen had called his settlement at Risdon Cove Hobart.
5. 5. 4 At 6 I went out with Mr. Lord's doggs and kill a couple of kangaroos; at 20 minutes past 7 returnd home to breakfast with Mr. Lord; I dind with Mr. Lord. C.S., Newcastle.

6. 5. 4 a.m. At 10 the weather so wet that divine service could not be performed; at 11 past 11 a strange sail appear'd coming up the river; at 1 p.m. anchor'd in the Bay the Nancy cutter from Port Jackson with despatches for Lt. Gov. Collens at 1 past 2 we observ'd the Risdon whale boat returning home; she had been out eight days with Gov. Bowen and Mr. Wilson. C.S., Nancy.

7. 5. 4 At 11 waited on the Lt. Governor respecting my garden by the house. At 3 p.m. Mr. Shipman measured the ground. C.S., Knutsford.

8. 5. 4 A.M. a very sharp frost, at 11 Capt. Bowen Mr. Wilson, and Lt. Moore came to the camp, the two first Gentlemen dind with me and in the eve Mr. Moore came and stayd till quite late. C.S., Liverpool.

9. 5. 4 A.M. at 10 Mr. Mountgarret came to the camp and call'd upon me. p.m. I took a walk with my gun. C.S., Stone House.

10. 5. 4 A.M. I stayd at home all the morn; at 11 Capt. Bowen, Mr. Mountgarret, and Mr. Wilson came to the camp. Mr. M. and W. and self dind with Mr. Lord. Capt. Bowen slept at my marque. C.S., Mount Edgecombe.

11. 5. 4 At 11 a.m. Lt. Lord and self went to Risdon, with Capt. Bowen. Mr. Lord return'd in the eve, and I stayd there. I xtianed a young native boy whose name was Robert Hobert May. C.S., Cawasand.

12. 5. 4 A.M. in the morn we took a walk to see where the natives attacked the camp and settlers. C.S., Saltram.

16. 5. 4 At 3 p.m. Mr. Wilson, Capt. Bowen, Mr. Mountgarret came to the camp. They brought down the native boy for Lt. Governor Collins to see.

21. 6. 4 A.M. I breakfasted with Mr. Lord and Humphry's. At 5 p.m. Mr. Collins return'd in the white cutter from Betsys Island &c. He went to the River

Houzin, and report it to be by far the most eligible situation for a settlement; the great supply of fresh water, good land, and trees, and the anchorage safe and good. He see three of the natives and was conduct'd to the town by some of them, where there were about 20 families. He stayd all night with them. They were all very friendly. He see three of their cattlemen, or small boats made of bark, that will hold about six of them. At 8 we heard the report of a gun, and likewise in the nigh; supposed a ship in Frederick Henry Bay. C.S., Somers.

3.11. 4 This morn I heard that the native man deserted from Hobart Town. At 10 Mr. Fosbrook and Mr. Bowden with Capt. Rhodes return'd from Betsys Island and brought with them a native man. The man was much cover'd with charcoal, and had a bag made of kangaroo skins about his neck which contained teeth of one of the tribe. The same afternoon he was dress'd in trousers and a shirt and jacket given him by the Governor. C.S., Dryden.

NOTES ON THE ABORIGINES.

16. 2.1805 At 8 the drum beat to arms. It was supposed that the corn sacks were set fire to by reason of the great fires. It was only the natives.

5. 3. 5 ... at 3 came to anchor the schooner Nancy from Port Dalrymple. As she came past Oyster Bay she picked up three men who belonged to the Sophia that was sealing there. The natives had set fire to their house and robbed them of the provisions. Had not the Nancy come they must have perished. The natives destroyed about 2000 seal skins which they had taken since they were on the Island (39).

(39) Oyster Island was the name given at this time to Maria Island.

Tasman named Maria Island in 1442.
left Earl and Kemp in the bush. He informed me that on Saturday morning about 9 a.m. he and Earl were out with the dogs and that the natives to the number of 60 came down to them throwing stones and shaking their spears at them. One man came forward to Richardson and was going to spear him but he shot him. Another came up to Earl and he killed him. My man immediately made up the kill for fear the natives should surround them and kill them and the dogs. The two natives that my man shot the others took away and made a very large fire for the purpose of burning the dead.

The natives have been very troublesome for a long time but not so desperate as lately. No doubt they have killed Brewer. The natives endeavour to keep the men and dogs in the valleys that they may throw stones on them which they do with great force and exactness. C.S., Rochester.

19. 7 My man Richardson came home having been absent 10 days. He gave information that the natives had nearly killed him and the dogs. The Government people were out and fell in with them when a battle ensued and they killed one of the natives. The natives killed one of the dogs. It is very dangerous to be out alone for fear of them. They are so hardened that they do not mind being shot at. C.S., Wells.

5.10. 7 Went down to Brown's River. As we went down we saw a great many natives, but we did not go on shore.

9.10. 7 At 11 we went to Brown's River for my man Earl whom I had left the day before and we saw a great many of the natives in the same place and on our return we landed amidst them. The women and children were together and the men out hunting. At 6 p.m. they returned and they all came amidst us between 250 and 300. They were all very friendly and we gave them presents. . . C.S., Upton.

11.10. 7 My man came down from kangarooing and informed me of the death of my dog Spot which was spared by the natives.
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2. 8 I took my boat and went across the water where I met my man he had been kangarooing. Brought home two men from the Lime Kils they were driven away by the natives who had killed two of their dogs. C.S., Wallace.

HORTICULTURAL NOTES.

6.12.1804 Engaged in planting potatoes.
11. 6. 5 This day I began to sow some wheat.
19. 9. 5 Prepared some ground for potatoes.
25. 9. 5 Employed in planting potatoes, 2 bushels for which I gave the enormous price of £3.10. per bushel.
29. 9. 5 Got all my rye stripped in by William Jones &c.
30. 9. 5 Engaged some people to clear me 4 acres of land near the house in addition.
4.11. 5 Employed in my garden about pumpkin bed.
9. 1. 6 This day the harvest begun at the Government Farm.
11. 1. 6 This morn I began to have my wheat cut. At 11 p.m. I walked to the Government farm a very fine crop they have got.
7. 2. 6 This morn finished cutting my wheat and began threshing my seed wheat.
4. 3. 6 This eve I bought a pumpkin for which I gave 1/-.
26. 7. 6 Busy sowing wheat.
9. 8. 6 This morn I sowed some garden seeds from England peas and beans although the day very wet.
8. 9. 6 This morn I finished sowing the wheat. 4 p.m. Sowed gooseberries and currants and planted potatoes.
20. 9. 6 The day very warm, put some long turkey cucumbers into the bed.
15.11. 6 The ground very much in want of rain, and grubs destroyd all our vegetables.
20.11. 6 The gardens and everything very greatly refreshed for the delightful rain.
21.11. 6 A.M. this morn engaged upon the bench. Afterwards came home and busy in my garden, many fine strawberries ripe and green peas.
11.12. 6 This day I had some very fine peas out of my garden. The first I dressed. Last year I was obliged to preserve all the seed of the peas. They do not produce good crops in general.

5. 1. 7 This day began wheat harvest at the Government Farm.
19. 1. 7 This day I began my wheat harvest.
3. 2. 7 Employed all day in getting out potatoes.
5. 2. 7 Busy in pegging out land for wheat.
18. 2. 7 The colony in very great distress for wheat which is £6 per bushel and Potatoes 15/- per lb.
24. 2. 7 Wheat not to be obtained for £6 per bushel, and Barley £5 per bushel.
3. 3. 7 At home all the day collecting some garden seeds.
21. 4. 7 At home all the morning busy in my garden preparing the ground for cabbage planting &c.
23. 6. 7 This day finished two beds of early potatoes.
15. 8. 7 Sowed radishes &c.
22. 8. 7 Workd all day planting potatoes.
29. 8. 7 Sowing beans and preparing for potatoes.
2. 9. 7 This morn I cut some asparagus. The first that has been cut in the Colony.
8. 9. 7 Finishd putting in all my potatoes. Planting cabbages, lettuces &c. in my garden.
10. 9. 7 Setting peas, beans, and transplanting cabbages. I cut a great quantity of asparagus.
11. 9. 7 This morn I sent to His Honour the L/Govnr. 21 heads of asparagus.
29.10. 7 At home in the morning sowing seeds from England.
31.12. 7 This morn I finishd cutting barley.
14. 1. 8 Employed all the morning in getting in my wheat. This day I cut a cucumber.
15. 1. 8 Employd in cutting my onions ready for the house.
22. 1. 8 Employd all the day in getting up potatoes.
5. 2. 8 Employd in collecting garden seeds.
8. 2. 8 This morning I found my wheat stubble.
12. 4. 8 Busy in sowing wheat.
6. 5. 8 This morn sowing peas and beans.
18. 5. 8 Busy in planting cabbages.

NOTES ON THE WEATHER.

12.2.1804 [The Ship Ocean at anchor, Frederick Henry Bay.]
The wind W.N.W. Fresh breezes and cloudy with squalls at times.
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13. 2. 4 W.N.W. Strong breeze and heavy squalls of wind and rain.
14. 2. 4 W.N.W. Strong breeze and hazy weather.
15. 2. 4 A.M. variable winds inclining to calm. At 4 a breeze sprang up from the N.W., weighed and made all sail. At 3 past 6 anchored in Risdon Cove in 4 fathoms.

[Risdon Cove, Van Diemen's Land, February, 1804.]
16. 2. 4 The morn very fine.
18. 2. 4 At 6 a little rain. They have not had a good shower of rain for four months.
19. 2. 4 Strong breeze and small rain.

[Sullivan Cove, River Derwent, Van Diemen's Land.]
22. 2. 4 Clear weather and fine.
23. 2. 4 Very fine weather.
24. 2. 4 Do. weather.
25. 2. 4 Do. weather.
27. 2. 4 Rain.
28. 2. 4 We had rain all night.
1. 3. 4 Very fine weather.
3. 3. 4 In the eve fresh breeze.
8. 3. 4 At 5 raining with hard squalls.
10. 3. 4 Moderate and fair.
13. 3. 4 At 3 it blew a perfect gale of wind which continued some time.
17. 3. 4 Very fine weather.
30. 3. 4 (Good Friday) At 10 p.m. it blew very hard which continued all night.
31. 3. 4 Dark weather, blowing hard.
2. 4. 4 Strong breeze and squalls. Weather from the S.W.
6. 4. 4 Weather bad. We see a very great whirlwind in the river. At 9 much lightning in the eve.
7. 4. 4 The wind very much from the S.W.
8. 4. 4 The weather was very bad that no duty could be performed. Continual rain and wind all day and night.
22. 4. 4 At 10 the weather being bad could not perform duty at the camp.
1. 5. 4 Continual rain all the morn.
6. 5. 4 The weather wet.
8. 5. 4 A very sharp frost.
19. 5. 4 Continual rain and cloudy.
20. 5. 4 . . . Thermomiter 62 at 1/ past 12.
3. 6. 4 The weather bad.

5. 6. 4 The afternoon and night blowing very hard from the S.W.
6. 6. 4 A very fine day.
10. 6. 4 The weather bad.
12. 6. 4 Very strong breeze.
13. 6. 4 Very heavy gusts of wind with hard rain at intervals.
14. 6. 4 Continual bad weather.
15. 6. 4 Moderate weather.
18. 6. 4 At 4 stormy weather and rain. At 8 more moderate.
22. 6. 4 Continual rain all this morn.
23. 6. 4 Moderate.
27. 7. 4 Continual rain.
3. 7. 4 Moderate and clear weather.
6. 7. 4 Moderate weather in the eve much rain.
8. 7. 4 Cold, and wind blowing.
12. 7. 4 Very bad weather.
13. 7. 4 Do. wr.
15. 7. 4 Weather very cold.
19. 7. 4 At 5 it began to rain. At 8 fine weather, but the mountain covered with snow. At 10 rain which increased. At 1 p.m. it blew a hard gale, the wind from the S.E. All the hills covered with snow around, a very bad night of wind.
21. 7. 4 Moderate. Rain at intervals.
22. 7. 4 The weather exceedingly cold and the mountain covered with snow, particularly the Table Mountain.
23. 7. 4 The hills covered with snow.
28. 7. 4 Much lightening with rain.
29. 7. 4 The weather bad, blowing hard. 1 p.m. a perfect gale of wind.
30. 7. 4 The wind blowing very fresh, a quantity of snow upon the mountain.
26. 8. 4 Severe gales of wind with hard rain. At 8 more moderate.
27. 8. 4 More moderate, but hot winds from the N.W. Very hard gales of wind.
28. 8. 4 Very hard gales during the night and morn.
2. 9. 4 Moderate and clear weather. At 4 rain.
3. 9. 4 A very fine morning.
5. 9. 4 Rain and snow.
8. 9. 4 This morn the weather remarkably fine.
9. 9. 4 9 a.m. very fine weather.
10. 9. 4 Strong wind with rain.
Moderate weather and fine.

The day very hot, but the Table Mountain covered with snow.

The weather very wet. At 4 p.m. thunder was heard very loud and the Table Mountain was covered with snow.

In the eve continual rain.

Fresh breeze and clear. At 2 p.m. thunder.

At 3 very bad weather. At 6 the wind and rain very much. At 8 the mountain was covered with snow.

In the eve continual rain.

Fresh breeze and clear. At 2 p.m. thunder.

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The day very hot.

The day very hot. At 3 p.m. rain and hard thunder.

Rain at 10.

The day very hot and large flies began to be very troublesome.

Very windy.

At 1 it blew a perfect hurricane. Many trees and the store tent upon Hunters Island was blown down. At 10 the weather began to moderate.

The day remarkably fine.

The day very hot.

The day very hot. At 10 very squally with rain.

A very fine morn. At 1 p.m. the sea breeze came.

The day very warm.

At 6 very hard rain which continued all night.

Wind.

The morn very hot. At 4 p.m. rain which continued some time. At 9 observed a very fine night rainbow from the S.S.W which continued some time, when we had the rain very much from the mountain.

At 10 rain accompanied with thunder and lightning. At 12 the weather very fine. P.M. very cold and excessive hard gales of wind which continued all night.

Rain. Very violent squalls of wind and hard rain.

Cold rainy weather.

Strong winds.

BY CLIVE LORD, F.L.S.

3.11. 4 5 p.m. the weather began to blow from the N.W. At 8 it blew very hard gales from the same quarter.

4.11. 4 Very severe gales of wind. Wind N.W.

5.11. 4 It rain'd very hard. The weather very bad with rain and wind.

6.11. 4 The weather very windy.

8.11. 4 At 12 we had very severe lightning.

9.11. 4 At one a very dreadful tempest of thunder and lightning. 2 it rain'd very hard which continued some time. At 4 a hot wind from the N.W.

17.11. 4 The day very wet.

18.11. 4 Hard gales and squally.

19.11. 4 Moderate.

3.12. 4 The first fine day we have had for some time.

4.12. 4 The day very hot.

10.12. 4 At 8 a very hot wind came up from the N.E which continued till 1 p.m. We then heard thunder at a distance. At 1 it began to rain very delightful showers. At 5 thunder very much.

16.12. 4 Wr. bad. In the eve some rain.

17.12. 4 The day very hot.

19.12. 4 The day very hot.

20.12. 4 The day exceedingly hot.

22.12. 4 The morn very damp but not much rain. The afternoon wet.

23.12. 4 The morn damp. At 5 p.m. a strong breeze came on.

24.12. 4 The morn very wet.

26.12. 4 The weather very cold at intervals.

30.12. 4 4 p.m. thunder with some rain.

6.1805 Them. at 12 87°.

9. 1. 5 At 8 Thunder and lightning with rain.

10. 1. 5 A.M. Very windy. Rain at intervals: Eve very cld.

11. 1. 5 Very hot N.W. wind.

16. 1. 5 Rain with thunder and very hot.

18. 1. 5 Them. 82 in shade.

19. 1. 5 8 a.m. Fine wind N. Them 79°.

12 noon showery Wind N.E. Them. 75.

4 p.m. Fair, wind N. Them 86.

5 p.m. Wind N. Them 92.

8 p.m. wind N. Them. 62.

21. 1. 5 A.M. very windy, Rain at p.m.

23. 1. 5 A.M. weather fair and hot.

Continual rain all eve and night.
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11. 8. 5 Very fine. Mountain covered with snow.
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14. 8. 5 Continued rain.
15. 8. 5 Damp and cold. Rain at intervals.
16. 8. 5 P.M. at 8 some lightning from N.W. At 10 it began to blow. Continued until 12.
17. 8. 5 Rain and wind, mountain covered with snow.
18. 8. 5 Blowing very hard. This day was the severest that we had had since we have been upon the colony. The wind was a continual gale from the N.W. It blew down many trees and unroofed houses.
19. 8. 5 The gale continued all the morn blowing from S.W. At 9 much lightning.
20. 8. 5 A.M. Rain.
21. 8. 5 The day very fine after the wet and gale from the S.W. The weather is very cold.
31. 8. 5 A.M. Rain. Wind S.E. mountain covered with snow.
1. 9. 5 Weather very fine, but exceedingly damp.
2. 9. 5 The day very fine.
5. 9. 5 At 3 some rain, snow on mount.
6. 9. 5 The day very fine.
7. 9. 5 The day very fine.
8. 9. 5 The morn very fine.
11. 9. 5 The day very fine.
13. 9. 5 Fine showers.
15. 9. 5 Fine.
16. 9. 5 The day fine.
17. 9. 5 A gale of wind from S.E.
18. 9. 5 Very cold.
22. 9. 5 A.M. the morn fine. At 4 p.m. began to rain, but was finished by evening. At 8 began to rain which continued all night.
23. 9. 5 Rain.
24. 9. 5 Fine.
6.10. 5 Rain all day.
7.10. 5 Very wet and damp.
8.10. 5 Very windy.
10.10. 5 Very fresh S.W. wind.
13.10. 5 Fine but damp after incessant rain.
19.10. 5 A strong breeze.
20.10. 5 Cold sea breeze.
21.10. 5 Sea breeze.
22.10. 5 "The sea breeze generally sets in soon after 1 p.m."
24.10. 5 Sea breeze.
25.10. 5 Wind very high from S.E. and E. and very cold. At 7 rain which continued all night.
26.10. 5 Raining hard. Sea Breeze.
27.10. 5 Morn very fine after the great fall of rain. Afternoon sea breeze.
28.10. 5 Sea breeze.
29.10. 5 Very cold. Wind strong. Sea breeze.
30.10. 5 Very strong sea breeze.
1.11. 5 The morn cold and strong sea breeze which has been regular for some days.
2.11. 5 A.M. the day very cold. Sea Breeze.
3.11. 5 Strong sea breeze.
4.11. 5 A.M. at 9 a strong land breeze and a warm wind which continued all the day.
15.11. 5 At 8 p.m. it began lightning. At 10 it was a severe tempest which continued all night with rain at intervals.
16.11. 5 The wind blowing very hard from the South West, and cold.
17.11. 5 Wind S.W., at 10 p.m. we had heavy rain.
18.11. 5 The day very windy, from the S.E. continual rain all day.
20.11. 5 The wind blowing hard.
22.12. 5 A.M. at 7 the wind blowing very hard. At 2 we had a severe gale which continued some time.
7.12. 5 Blowing very hard all day.
9.12. 5 This day very warm, and land wind, N.
32.12. 5 A very strong sea breeze with heavy rain from S.E.
24.12. 5 Very cold for the season and a quantity of rain from S.E. with hail.
30.12. 5 Hard Breeze.
14. 1. 6 Hard S.W. breeze with some rain in the afternoon.
15. 1. 6 The wind continued all this day with thunder and lightning. At 5 p.m. rain.
18. 1. 6 The day very cold and wet.
29. 1. 6 A.M. at 3 snow upon the mountain. The day cold and wet.
2. 2. 6 The day very hot. At 8 much lightning and severe tempest which continued until 11.
5. 2. 6 This day very hot.
The day very fine, but very cold.

9. 4. 6 A.M. the morn very cold. 2 p.m. it began to thunder from the west. ½ past 3 heavy thunder with moderate rain. 7 it began lightning. ½ past 8 it increased very much. At 9 the lightning was most severe we ever had had on the Colony, and the thunder the most awful. The rain continued from 9 till 12.

9. 2. 6 The day very cold.

10. 2. 6 A.M. early this morn more rain.

16. 2. 6 1 p.m. very strong N.W. wind, and exceedingly hot.

18. 2. 6 Fresh breeze.

19. 2. 6 A strong breeze.

24. 2. 6 All the day exceedingly hot.

27. 2. 6 The ground being so hard without rain...

28. 2. 6 Strong breeze.

1. 3. 6 The day very hot. From the N. wind blowing all day very hard.

2. 3. 6 A.M. the morn very wet. Sharp frost this eve.

5. 3. 6 Small quantity of rain.

6. 3. 6 The day very fine.

9. 3. 6 Rain. A.M. at 9 rain. 11 do. wr. Divine service could not be performed. Everything is burnt up for want of rain.

18. 3. 6 At 10 it began to rain which was greatly wanted. 12, very fine rain. continued all the evening. 9 p.m. one remarkable loud clap of thunder and the lightning before it was the longest I ever knew.

31. 3. 6 A great quantity of rain.

3. 4. 6 A.M. the wind blowing hard from the South and rain at intervals.

7. 4. 6 A.M. the morn wet.

15. 4. 6 The day wet and blowing fresh from S.E.

16. 4. 6 At 4 it began to blow and rain which continued with thunder and lightning.

18. 4. 6 A.M. the morn very fine.

21. 4. 6 In the eve a great quantity of rain.

22. 4. 6 Rain in the evening.

23. 4. 6 A quantity of rain fell.

24. 4. 6 A.M. rain and the day very hot.

25. 4. 6 Rain and heat.

28. 4. 6 The day very cold.

29. 4. 6 A.M. at 7 very cold and a little snow. The mountain had much upon it. 9 blowing very fresh from the South West. ½ past 2 p.m. the mountain was covered with snow. At 8 the night very cold.

30. 4. 6 A.M. early this morn blowing hard from the N.W. At 8 the mountain covered with snow. The day very cold and strong N.W. wind.

1. 5. 6 A.M. the day very cold with slight snow at 9 blowing very fresh from N.W. In the eve blowing very hard with much snow.

2. 5. 6 Blowing very fresh this morn from the N.W. 3 p.m. more moderate, at 5 rain with much snow.

3. 5. 6 A.M. the day very cold and blowing hard from the S.W. at intervals.

4. 5. 6 The morn very wet.

5. 5. 6 The day blowing very hard and snow at intervals.

7. 5. 6 This morn very fine after the gale which we have had for some days.

8. 5. 6 The day very fine.

10. 5. 6 Morning fine. 4 p.m. rain, at 8 lightning from the West.

11. 5. 6 The morn very rainy. At 8 much lightning. 12 the day very cold.

13. 5. 6 The morn wet.

26. 5. 6 The day very fine. A sharp frost in the morning.

22. 5. 6 The day very fine.

23. 5. 6 The day very fine.

27. 5. 6 A.M. at 5 rain, at 11 clear.

29. 5. 6 A sharp frost this morning.

31. 5. 6 The day very fine. In the eve much lightning.

1. 6. 6 The morn very cold.

3. 6. 6 The day very fine.

4. 6. 6 The day was remarkably fine.

8. 6. 6 A very cold day.

11. 6. 6 A.M. this morn we had the severest frost we have experienced in this country.

13. 6. 6 This day very fine.

17. 6. 6 This morning much rain and blowing strong from the South. At 11 a gale of wind from the S.W.

18. 6. 6 A.M. this morn blowing very hard with rain.

20. 6. 6 Very cold in eve.

21. 6. 6 The weather very cold and a sharp frost.

22. 6. 6 The day very cold.

24. 6. 6 The day very fine, but very cold.
26. 6. 6 Very fine weather, but cold.
28. 6. 6 In the eve, much rain.
3. 7. 6 A great quantity of rain fell.
4. 7. 6 The day fine.
5. 7. 6 The day very wet and many whales opposite the house.
6. 7. 6 The day very fine, but cold.
7. 7. 6 This morning a very severe frost.
27. 7. 6 This morn much rain and very cold. At 10 snow.
28. 7. 6 The mountain covered with snow.
29. 7. 6 The day very cold.
4. 8. 6 The morn very cold, at 3 much rain and continued all night.
7. 8. 6 Very wet.
8. 8. 6 Wet.
9. 8. 6 Very wet.
18. 8. 6 The day very wet.
19. 8. 6 Raining and squally. In the eve much lightning.
20. 8. 6 The day very hot and blowing hard. In the eve much lightning.
22. 8. 6 The day very fine, but cold. Ceremony of thanksgiving performed for the glorious success which attended H.M. arms over the combined fleet of the enemy off Cape Trafalgar on the 21st day of October last.
25. 8. 6 A.M. the day very fine
26. 8. 6 The day very fine.
29. 8. 6 The day very fine
6. 9. 6 Blowing fresh. 7 p.m. rain, the day very fine. Sea breeze.
12. 9. 6 The mountain covered with snow.
14. 9. 6 The day very fine.
20. 9. 6 a past 2 lightning and thunder with a little rain. The day very warm.
21. 9. 6 Much rain all the afternoon and evening.
22. 9. 6 The day very fine.
23. 9. 6 7 p.m. blowing very hard.
29. 9. 6 Rain in evening.
30. 9. 6 At 8 blowing hard from the North, the morn very cold after the rain.
5.10. 6 The morn very cold, blowing hard from the West.
5.10. 6 A.M. The wind continued all night. At 1 p.m. blowing a very heavy gale from the West.
10.10. 6 In the eve we had a fine shower.
19.10. 6 The day exceedingly hot. Blowing hard from the N, a very hot wind. At 7 p.m. lightning and at 9 rain.
20.10. 6 In the eve at 9 past 9 lightning.
21.10. 6 At 8 blowing very fresh from the N. In the eve lightning.
23.10. 6 A.M. the morn cold.
6.11. 6 The weather very dry for want of rain.
8.11. 6 The weather very dry. No grass for want of rain.
13.11. 6 Rain very much wanted.
15.11. 6 The ground very much in want of rain and the grubs destroying all our vegetables.
17.11. 6 Thermometer at 12, 78. At 4 p.m. 98.".
18.11. 6 A.m. early this morn we had a very fine shower of rain at 9. The earth very much refreshed with it. 3 p.m. very fine moderate rain. We must truly bless God for the rain which has destroyed thousands of grubs. All our gardens and the corn was very much destroyed by them.
19.11. 6 Afternoon rainy weather.
20.11. 6 The morn very dark and cloudy with showers. P.m. the gardens and everything very much refreshed with the delightful rain.
21.11. 6 Very hot.
24.11. 6 The wind very strong from the South.
25.11. 6 A.M. this morn blowing fresh from the South.
30.11. 6 A.M. this morn we had a very fine shower of rain. At 12 do. wr. which continued all the aft. till 5 p.m.
28.11. 6 The aft. very stormy with rain and wind blowing very hard from the West.
30.11. 6 The morn very cold and blowing exceedingly hard gales from the W.N.W.
5.12. 6 The day remarkably cold. Blowing very hard from the west. 5 p.m. snow upon the mountain.
At 9 lightning from the East.
7.12. 6 The morn very cold. At 10 rain.
10.12. 6 At 7 p.m. the eclipse very visible and spoke of in Moore's almanac.
11.12. 6 1. Blowing fresh from the S.W. at 11 the wind changed to the South. Sea Breeze.
12.12. 6 The mountain was covered with snow. Blowing very fresh from the South West.
13.12. 6 Cold.
15.12. 6 2 p.m. a very fine shower of rain.
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The day cold. The wind blowing hard from the West.
21.12.
The wind blowing hard from the West.
22.12.
The wind blowing hard from the West.
23.12.
The day very warm.
24.12.
The day very cold. At past 3 p.m. thermometer 102.
25.12.
Christmas Day. The day was very hot. At 3 p.m. the thermometer standing at 105 in the shade. The heat was so great that it bent the glass of the thermometer and broke it.
26.12.
The morning very hot. The country all on fire.
27.12.
The morn much cooler. The country all on fire up to Herdsman's Cove and likewise on this side of the river.
28.12.
The morn very warm.
29.12.
The wind blowing very hard from the W.N.W. The country very much on fire to the westward, and it approached up the mountain.
30.12.
A.M. the morning a severe frost. The ground I never see so white before.
31.12.
A.M. the morning a severe frost.
1.1.
A.M. this morn very hot. Scarcely able to stir out. We have not had any rain for a very long time. No grass and the country on fire by the natives. A strong sea breeze.
19.1.
A strong sea breeze.
20.1.
The weather very hot. We had a very small shower of rain this eve. Sea breeze strong.
21.1.
A strong sea breeze.
27.1.
The day very windy.
3.3.
We had a little rain.
15.3.
A fine shower of rain which we have not had for five months.
26.3.
We had a fine shower of rain which we have not had for these 5 months.
3.4.
In the morn early the mountain was covered with snow.
4.4.
A.M. the wind blowing hard.

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The weather very fine
The weather very fine
The day very fine
We had some rain.
A.M. the morn very foggy. 11 it cleared.
Very fine day
In the eve we had some rain.
Rainy.
A.M. fine after the rain. In the afternoon much rain.
A.M. the day very wet and cold. In the eve snow.
A.M. at 9 we had more snow than I ever see. The mountain and the hills near the town were covered with it. At 12 it began to rain which continued until 9 p.m. Then it blew a gale from the South West. A very bad night of rain and wind and lightening.
A.M. in the morn early, severe gale of wind from the South West. A very great quantity of rain and snow all the morn. At 11 the hills were all covered with snow. This day we had more snow upon the hills than has been seen on the ground. The day very cold and in the eve a severe gale of wind.
A.M. the morn cold and blowing a gale.
At 9 p.m. blowing a severe gale of wind and rain.
A.M. the morning blowing hard with rain till 8 when it began to clear up.
A.M. at 8 the morn very clear.
The morning remarkably fine.
The day very cold and a very great quantity of snow fell.
A.M. this morning the ground so covered with snow and all the hills round the town. Therometer 31.
the day very fine
the day very fine
the day very fine
all the afternoon and eve wet.
A very strong wind from the N.W. at 9 blowing a gale from the same quarter.
a.m. very fine after the gale.
Blowing hard, the equinoctial gales continuing.
Blowing very hard.
A severe gale from the North West.
The day very windy.
A.M. blowing hard from the N.W. at 9 blowing a gale of wind from the N.W. Rain with a gale of wind.
A gale of wind from the N.W. At 9 rain which continued all night.
In the morning at 10 very moderate and clear after the gale, but a very great quantity of snow on the mountain.
The weather bad.
Blowing hard.
Raining from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Between 2 and 3 p.m. we had a great deal of thunder and lightning, and the most severe gale of wind from the N.W. since we have been in the settlement.
The day very squally.
Strong gales of wind all the night.
A very strong gale of wind. At 4 the mountain was covered with snow, and the eve very cold.
A.M. at 8 a very strong gale of wind from the N.W. and such weather that we have not been accustomed to at this season of the year. The mountain this morn was covered with snow.
The day very hot.
The morning very hot with a north wind blowing fresh.
A day of continual rain.
The weather very fine.
The morning very hot.
The day very wet.
The day very hot. 20 past 3 the thermometer 99. In the eve the wind changed from North to South when we had rain.
The morn very warm
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15. 1.  8 The day very hot.
16. 1.  8 The morn very hot with a North wind. At 11
     so hot that it was not possible to stir out. The
     country all on fire and all round the town. 20
     minutes past 3 p.m. a strong sea breeze set in
     from the South East.

1.  2.  8 The a.f.t. very wet.
10. 2.  8 The weather blowing hard.
11. 2.  8 The weather blowing hard.
12. 2.  8 Blowing very hard.
14. 2.  8 Blowing wr.
23. 2.  8 Windy.
24. 2.  8 All the day blowing hard from the South
26. 2.  8 The morning very hot.
3.  3.  8 This eve we had some rain.
8.  3.  8 In the eve some rain.
10. 3.  8 The day very wet.
15. 3.  8 The day very fine.
20. 3.  8 We had some thunder this afternoon, but at a
     distance
22. 3.  8 In the a.f.t. we had a severe tempest of thunder
     and lightning.
23. 3.  8 The morn very fine with general rain.
27. 3.  8 The day very fine.
1.  4.  8 The mountain was covered with snow this morn-
     ing.
28. 4.  8 The day very cold and rain.
29. 4.  8 Some rain.
2.  5.  8 Cold at night.
3.  5.  8 Wet at night.
6.  5.  8 The mountain covered with snow.
8.  5.  8 The mountain fine.
12. 5.  8 This day we had a great quantity of rain.
13. 5.  8 The wind blowing very fresh.
15. 5.  8 The day fine but cold.
18. 5.  8 The night very wet.
24. 5.  8 The weather very cold and stormy, and the night
     very bad.
25. 5.  8 The day very stormy.
2.  6.  8 The morning very fine.
10. 6.  8 The night very bad with snow.
11. 6.  8 The day very cold and the mountain covered with
     snow.
16. 6.  8 The wind blowing fresh N.W.

19. 6.  8 The morning very cold.
23. 6.  8 The eve very cold.
28. 6.  8 The day very fine.
30. 6.  8 A very sharp frost this morning.
3.  7.  8 The morning very wet and cold.
4.  7.  8 In the eve lightning. It was a general observa-
     tion that in the winter season scarce a night
     passes, but we have lightning.
5.  7.  8 In the eve lightning from the N.W.
6.  7.  8 In the eve lightning from the N.W.
10. 7.  8 The morning very cold.
17. 7.  8 The day being very cold divine service could not
     be performed.

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