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London 14th October 1836

My dear Leake.

Our friend Camden who is now sitting near me brought me your welcome letter dated in February, last and has promised to take the charge of forwarding this and its enclosure with his own despatches for your remote country - Mr W. I think has almost determined on returning to Van Diemen's land next summer, and who knows but I also may be tempted to pay you a visit at the Antipodes! -

You have guessed rightly that I should not be disposed to remain quite inactive after having left business - If you have the opportunity of seeing the Edinburgh review for this quarter, you will notice the plan of a great Banking Establishment for British India, in which I am taking a prominent part. The essay if I may so call it is the production of Mr C. Cullock of Victoria, I am gave from instructions given him by your humble serv^t. - I am also a Director on one of the Railways in progress - so that one way or other I have plenty of occupation -

The Mortgage in which my funds in V. I's land is mortgaged Mr W. tells me will probably be paid off in July next. I can give no very definite instructions as to what should be done with the money. I hold 15 shares here in the Australian

Bank. The £40 share is now at a premium of 50% being worth about £60 and should a dividend of 10 or 12% be made for this year's profits, (a dividend probably be declared in May or June next) then shares will be worth £80 or upwards. Mr. C. tells me the *Prospect* in these shares with you is not great, and should you think well of the concern it might be prudent to make a purchase of these shares. Or, our friend thinks the money might be advantageously invested in land at Port Philip as he hears Government are going to make extensive sales there & the land is of good quality. I have every confidence in you doing the best for me in this matter.

I thank you also most heartily for your attention to Augustus to whom I have addressed a few lines herewith. I have told him that you would occasionally provide him with a useful book, and I will beg the favor of your buying for him a concise History of England, and such other works as you think may be beneficial to him and that he will read - and when you see him by asking him a few questions relative to their contents you will easily ascertain if he understands & remembers what he reads.

I will also beg of you to impress upon his mind that his success in life will entirely depend upon himself, upon the propriety of his conduct & his attention to his studies.

and warn him above all things to avoid low and vicious associates —

I have been lately over at Hamburg. Our friend Isaac Carr put into my hands a letter he had received from you which certainly afforded him much pleasure — He has been a successful man, and not long ago got his outlawry reversed. — They are building an Episcopal Church for the Church of England in the Leughaus Markt at Hamburg. Mr. Baker is still there but is not popular.

My daughter is now staying with her mother's relations in Liverpool. She was with me at Lancaster during the early part of the year, but I am now a wanderer & have no settled habitation — I have been interrupted in writing to you by a summons from Mr. R. Southwell Mackenzie who is the first financial authority in the affairs of India, and who has just now assumed to be Dep. Gov. of our 'Bank of India'. We expect to have Lord Wm. Bentinck as Governor. — This weighty concern may perhaps occasion my residence here for some years, as it is proposed to put me on the Com. of Management and I hold the proxies of almost all the country directors.

Remember me kindly to Mrs. Leake & your sons & believe me
ever
My dear Sir

Yours
John Jackson

If you write please to
direct to me at Lancaster }

John Jackson

14 Oct 1837

Van Simons Land

Rosendale

John Seake Esq.

1836.

M^r John Jackson Trustee of Leake in apt^h of Union Bank Co.

1836

Dec ^r 31 To Balance . . .	£ 60 18 9	July 20 By Cash div ^d . 3 Shares	8 8 9
		Nov ^r 1 " do M ^r Leake C ^o	52 10 "
1837	£ 60 18 9	1837	£ 60 18 9

March 22 To Rev ^d J. MacKersey	£ 21 17 6	Jan ^y 2 By Balance	£ 60 18 9
June 30 " Balance :	97 3 9	13 " Cash. Dividend	5 12 6
		June 29 " do M ^r Leaming	52 10 "
	£ 119 1 3		£ 119 1 3

Aug ^t 31 To J. Norton	£ 17 15 7	July 1 By Balance	£ 97 3 9
Nov ^r 2 " M ^r Leaming	50 " "	12 " Cash div ^d . 3 Shares	8 8 9
20 " J. Leake	20 " "		
Dec ^r 30 " Balance	17 16 11		
1838.	£ 105 12 6	1838	£ 105 12 6

April 30 To Balance transferred to Union Bank	£ 138 4 5	Jan ^y 1 By Balance	£ 17 16 11
		10 " Dividend	7 17 6
		April 28 " Cash *	112 10 "
	£ 138 4 5	3 Jan ^y Shares. £37.10 each	£ 138 4 5

May 1. To deposit on 6 Shares. £120
2. " J. Leake 25. 14. 5

May 1. By Balance - £ 138. 4. 5

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Hamburg and London: Oakden, investment, Oakden involved with new bank for India and director of new railways, Oakden's mortgage in Tasmania, thanks for looking after August [Augustus Oakden] and copy of trust account.
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