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October 15th - To Panshanger with J.C. -

Panshanger.
Rutally.

16th - To Rutally. Mr Beau, the man who drove me to Rutally is from Invernesshire, and knew Mrs J. Reibey's parents at Inverness. To Sannoclon with Archd^d Reibey. - Saw Mr Jennings about advances on wool &c. -

Down.
To Chestnut
Archd^d Reibey

17th - To Carrick. Baptistid. old Cameron. - To Chestnut, stopping for an hour at G. Archer's; he & Mrs A. were not at home. - The road from Deloraine to Chestnut very rough. -

Snipe.
Garden at Chestnut.

18th - At Chestnut. Snipe shoot? - 5 1/2 couples, - of which I killed 3 1/2 couples. The garden is looking healthy; the native shrubs & trees, having grown very much, begin to assume a prominent appearance. - The waratah has a fine show of buds, and the Boronias are covered with their pretty white & pinkish flowers; the Paeonia has quite a profusion of blossoms. The native Elder is rising vigorously from the ground, and the Archd^d Bay Pine has grown greatly, and is attaining to a place of distinction among the plants. - There is a great show of bloom on the fruit trees, and the raspberries and strawberries promise well also. - Philip & his wife returned home today. -

D. Pitt & J.
to the Mersey.
Reibey.
Diprose

19th - Archdeacon Reibey returned home, & Philip & I rode to Satchel on the Mersey. - Saw Elmer, who is to pay me £30 before Christmas, and £30 more before next May. - I promised Diprose to get him a title to his farm, and let him buy it as soon as I could. - At Allison's Inn at Satchel. -

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October 20th. - To Yonguey. - Mr Hayes. Account of Mr Gregson's duel with Mr Jellicoe, - in which Mr G. reserved his fire, and took aim deliberately at his opponent, saying to his second Mr Beauvais "Where shall I hit him?" Beauvais replied "For Heaven's sake fire low." Mr G. then fired & shot Mr Jellicoe in the thigh, & following up his shot by walking to where his antagonist lay bleeding on the ground, - and dipping in his blood a placard which Jellicoe had pasted him as "a liar & a coward", he held it up with the words that ~~it~~ "it should descend to his children as a proof that their father was not insulted with impunity." - Mr Stewart's & Mr Moore's saw mills - sail up the Mersey to Mr Bell's store, returning his boat which we had borrowed, - and then back to the Inn. - Calculat^s about the hamway. -

Yonguey
Mr Hayes
Mr Gregson
Mr Jellicoe

Saw Mills

21st. - To Northdown Church. Dined with Mr S. Thomas. Lost my way for a time on returning to Seacroft, taking 2½ hours to reach the Inn, - the distance being about 8 miles by the road. - P. Pitt returned from the Dow. -

Northdown

22nd. P. Pitt returned to Bleshent. G. Atkinson & I rode to the Dow over very poor land, thence to the North through a heavily timbered country with rich soil. - On the way I saw two or three fern trees (Dicksonia) with young plants of Pittosporum ^{bidloae} in 2 cases & Coprosma microphylla in one growing from them near the summit. - There is a good bridge over the North at Hamilton. We turned

The Dow
The North

towards the coast. Beautiful spikes of flowers of *Indigofera tinctoria*. - Mr ^a Cummings of Cummings & Raymond, of the Oct^r 23^d. Don saw mills. - Stayed there for the night. - Next day it rained heavily, but I went on the tramway with Mr Cummings & W.R. as far as they have carried it. This is the 3^d tramway which they have laid down to get timber to their mills. Mr Stewart & W Moore have adopted the same plan for conveying the logs to their saw mills. - In the evening named native plants for Mr Raymond & his daughters. -

The Don Saw Mills.
Tramway.

24th. - With Mr Cummings to Latrobe. Road Trust Meet^g. After the meeting we had a kind of irregular meeting to discuss the tramway question. - Torquay & Latrobe rivals. - Mess^{rs} Stewart & Moore, & Bell, & Atkinson, &c. - Walk with Mr Johnson to his coal mine, the racecourse, &c. - Mr Bell about the tramway in the evening. - It could probably be laid at £400 a mile. - Survey. -

Road Meet^g.
Tramway Questions.

25th. - To Deloraine. Met P. Pitt there, who took home the capital black horse he had kindly lent me. - Deloraine. Chuck organ. - Jas W Arthur. - To Mr Rook's for the night. -

To Deloraine.
Mr. McLean.
Mr. Rook's.
Stow Railway Meeting.
To Hobart Town.

26th. - To Launceston. Railway Meeting. Mr Henderson. Mr Bentinck this connection. - Mr Weston & the format^{ion} of the Ministry. - To Campbell Town, for the night. -

27th. - Mr Jones. To Hobart Town. -
28th. - Sunday. To St David's. -

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Oct^r 29th - Rainy. - Museum. Prepar^d for R.S. Meet^g? Opinions about Mr Henderson.

Mr Henderson.

30th - Gov^t House. - Sir Henry & W Henderson. Commission on Irrigation. - R.S. Gardens. - Flowers in Domain. - Museum. R.S. Meeting.

Gov^t House.
R.S. Meet^g.
Museum.
Raphael.

31st - Museum. Insects perforat^d wood. - Reading about them. - Wrote to Nutt & Mueller. - Reading Raphael by Samartine.

Nov^r 1st - Council Meet^g. - R.S. - W Weston came to me, and asked if I were quite prepared to accept a seat in the cabinet. I told him that I had thought the matter over very carefully, & was prepared to do so. - Accord^{ly} I went to the Gov^t Office, and found W Dobson with Weston & Henry, having accepted the appoint^{mt} of Sol^r Gen^l. - W Knight has also accepted the office of Attorney Gen^l. - So that the whole of the offices in direct connectⁿ with the Gov^t are filled up. - Weston, Premier, - Henry, Col. Sec^y. - James, Col. Treas^r. - Myself, M.C.S., - Knight, Att^y Gen^l. - Dobson, Sol^r Gen^l. - It is thought by Dobson that we do not require a Crown Sol^r. - but Knight says he will probably be necessary during the session of Parlt. - The cabinet is therefore now launched, & must look out for storms, and lee shores. - Mr Craig's lecture (!) on Alligators: a miserable affair. I was there for a quarter of an hour, and glad to get away. His Alligators are Crocodiles, and there seems to be some doubt as to his account of their capture.

Council Meet^g. R.S.
Office of Gen^l in the cabinet.
accepted.
Sol^r Gen^l.
Att^y Gen^l.

The cabinet.

Alligators!

Writ^s Report of R.S. Meet^s -

Nov 22^d?
Report of
R.S. Meet^s -
Mr Innes.
His reputation.

Writ^s Rept of R.S. Meet^s - Swore in as Member of the Exec^{ve} Council, and took the oath of allegiance & Secrecy, &c. - convers^d with Weston & Henry about Innes, who is generally looked upon as a very combinable element in respect of Ministries, former or to be formed. - It was agreed that he is very useful and up to his work, and that we can manage to control him effectually. - At the same time I said that I should consider it my duty to make myself thoroughly acquainted with the Financial Affairs of the Colony, in case any embarrassment should occur, which would lead him to secede from the Ministry in the hope of breaking it up. - It is thought that he has conferred with Dr. Officer on the subject. - Probably the truth is that he expected Henry to be Premier, - in which event he would in all probab^l have resigned at once, - imagining that the Cabinet would then fall to pieces. Weston's acceptⁿ of the Premiership upset the fabric of his imaginatⁿ, and left him no ground for complaint. - My accession to the E.C. settled the matter, I suppose, both as regarded him, and the hoping & plotting opposition. Rev^d Mr Erving called at the Mus^m. - He says that the insect which has fitted the pieces of Blue Gum in the Mus^m is an Ichneumon. - Fed with Henry & Weston.

Rev^d Mr Erving's
Ichneumon.

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Nov 2nd - Finished Report of R. S. & left it ^{at} Mercury Office. W

Dr. Office or
Cabinet meeting!
John Davies.

John Davies told me that Dr. Office had asked him if he wd support him as Head of the Govt, if the Ministry broke up. J.D. asked who were to be his colleagues. He said W. G. Gregson as Attorney Genl, & probably Mr James as Col^l Treas^r. - J.D. said he protested against W. G. G. being a member of the Govt, but had no objection to Dr. or W. J. - He said he thought me quite right in taking the course I had taken. - Rev^d W. Buckland congratulated me on my accession to the Ministry, - but said that he did not approve of Mr., who had not the feelings or the demeanor of a gentleman. - Walked out to gather flowers with the children. -

Rev^d W.
Buckland.

4th Sunday. At St John's in the morn^g. - W. Henry & W. Weston. -

"Textile
fabrics"

5th Wed day. - Thinking about our indigenous materials for "textile fabrics", about which, to supply the English manufacturers, the Duke of Newcastle has written to the Gov^rs of all the Brit^h Colonies. - Examining the "Flora of Tern" on the subject. - Museum. Council Meet^g of R. S. - The Advertiser's abuse of me. That party seems quite taken aback by my appointment as M. & C. - No doubt they conclude that I would not have joined the Govt, unless I had satisfied myself that it was likely to be a stable one. However their abuse is rather complimentary than

The Advertiser's
abuse.

otherwise, - and indeed, on the whole, quite satisfactory.

Nov 6th Cabinet Meet^g.
Mr Justice Smith.
V. Pitt's wood.
Garden Com^{ee}.

Nov 6th Cabinet Meet^g. - St Mary's Hospital. - D Bedford's salary.
Volunteers: uniform. - Henry & the R. B. Bishop. - H. Smith
takes his seat on the Bench today. - Wrote to P. Pitt
about sending wool to England.

Sir H's Young.
Excursion
to
Florentine
Valley.

7th With garden Com^{ee} to R. S. Gardens. Only W Bisset
myself, H. Abbott & issues receipts of plants to go
through me always, or with my sanction. - Sale
of plants from gardens. - Convers^{ns} with Sir H's Young. Prof^r

Volunteers.
Mr Justice
Smith!

excursion to Florentine Valley, and the Ruin Gordon in
Jan^y: - Lady Young to go also: - I could & myself as men
of science. - To examine the country. - Sir Henry about
collectors of Botany spec^{ms}. - Plots of grapes in R. S. Gardens

Paid, Abbott, Whitcombe, &c. - Rode to see the Volunteers
drilled. W B Calkett & N. 3rd Volunteers. - He says their uniform
only costs about 17/6 or 18/6; that no allow^{ce} for it is made
by the Gov^t. - Met W H. Smith in Marguerite St. - He seemed

quite pleased, with the general expression of public
opinion in his favor, - drawing the conclus^{ns} that it
was the reward of his unflinching adherence to the
course which he believed to be right. - He said the
expression of disapprobat^{ns} in the advertisement as to my

W. J. M. Wilson
& Volunteers.

appoint^{mt} was a miserable exhibit^{ns} of weakness on
the part of the opposit^{ns}. - W. J. M. Wilson & the Volunteers
for the "City Guard": - He asked me to go to his brewery
some evening, and see the muster.

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Nov ~ 8th Meet^g of R. C. - cloth^s of Volunteers, Festivals of expend^{re} referred to all Russell. - W Gould to examine Coal fields.

cloth^s of
Volunteers.
W Mackie's.

Met^g Yalls.

Count^s Sub^s
to R.S.

flowers of
Silene Wattle.

Reports to
Subscribers.

W Gould,

Dr Bedford
W Mary's Hl.

Rowl^t Davies. - Exam^s correspond^{ce}: Manley, Jean, Mackie's, fathers. - Mackie's decidedly wrong in addressing the Premier instead of the head of his depart^t. - Correct^s Meteorolog^l Tables for W B Saunders: the H. Town Tables. - Letters to Country Subscribers to R. Soc^y. - Mending chairs.

9th - Lord Elcho about Volunteers. - Met^g Yalls. - Addressed & posted letters to sub^s R.S. - Wrote to Dr Whamond about flowers of Silene Wattle for drying & sending to England. - Fixing strips on passage door.

10th - Cabinet business. - With W Weston about furniture.

Putting up, address^s, send^s to the Post Reports for 1859 to Bay's Leaves of the Gardens for 17 Country Subscribers, R.S. - Sent Papers & Proceed^s R.S. ^{vol. 1} pt 1, to W Gould, at

Falmouth, & wrote to him to make a collection of botan^l spec^{ies} from the various formations which he surveyed. - Dr Bedford called (3rd time) to see

little Watty, whose neck has swelled, on one side below the ear. - He gave me an account of the manner in which the Gov^t, especially W Henry, had treated him, & the course he intended to pursue, - saying that he was not going to be done out of his salary any longer, & that he wd get it by mortgage of the Hospital, and so "eat up the Instit^{ion}" by degrees, if the Gov^t wd not give

him the salary he wanted, £600 a year. -

Nov^r 11th - Sunday. To St David's in the forenoon & to St John's in the evening. -

Cabinet Meet^s
Execⁿ Meet^s.
Aunt Hospital.
Dr Smart & ventilation.

12th - Cabinet Meeting. Executive Meet^s. - St Mary's Hospital
W Westlow and I went to look at the additions to the Gen^l
Hospital. There is room for 35 beds in the large rooms,
and accommodⁿ for 6 or 7 paying patients as well. -
Dr Smart explained the ventilation adopted. Each
bed stands on a dais, the step of which is paralled
with perforated zinc, through which ^{fresh} air ~~from the~~
enters the room by means of an aperture the size
of which is regulated by a chain & pulley. - Near
the external openings there is at present a privy which
I told him, ought to be removed. - The arrangements
for washing &c. seemed judicious. - We called on
Chapman, and elicited from him an expression of
opinion about St Mary's Hospital, which quite
accorded with that of the Gov^t. -

W Chapman
& St Mary's H^l.

13th - Cabinet business. - Letter to Dr Bedford. - Mr Cox & girl
for Nursing. - Letters from Ruz^l. - R. B. K. just leave^s Plymth.
Sir W. J. Hooker about ship timber. - Mr Farquhar about Mr
Black. - Mr Brooks acquaint^s me with the news of my
poor old Aunt Miss Sarah Arber's death. - Advice of books
from S. Soc^y from R. Brooks Esq. - Wallport's energy
about St Mary's Hosp^l. - and anger against Mr Henry. -

Letters from
in W. G. H. & Co.
W. G. H. & Co.

Wallport &
St Mary's H^l.

14th - Letter (at Cabinet Meeting) by James to Dr Bedford

Sitten to Dr Bedford

Sitten to Gumm.
to Valentine.

W. Henry to Sydney, Exec. Council, Appointments.

W. Bedford of the Govt. in W. H. Sitten.

about the salary which he claims as Med^l officer of St Mary's H^l, and the question of mortgag^g the build^g without the sanction of Gov^t. - The Gov^t cannot agree to give such power of mortgage without their sanction, if a grant is to be made from the Treasury. - £2614 have been given by Gov^t in aid of the Institution, and some £1300 or £1400 subscribed. Now Dr Bedford wants £600 a year partly as a salary, and partly as an instalment of the amount due to him by the Institⁿ. - He went to Innes in the evening, wish^g that the ^{last} letter sh^d be withdrawn. - Wrote to Gumm about tentile fabrics &c. about scientific works on the colony, ^{herbariums, plants,} and timber. - Wrote to Valentine abt experim^{ts} on shrinkage of timber & trestles abt us. - To J.A. about the death of Miss S. A. &c. -

Nov 15th - Henry left this morn^g in the Tasmania for Sydney. Cabinet Council. Executive Council: petitions from men under sentence &c. to the Governor, for remission of portions of their sentence, &c. - Appointments to offices. Mr. P. Adams in place of Mr. Bartwright dec^d, - with Mr. Balcanth's duties in additⁿ. - Mr. B. to be pensioned, thus effect^g a saving to the public of between £200 & £300 a year. - Dr Bedford & the "d-d injustice" of the Gov^t to him, - accusing both his friends & his enemies. - Wrote to Goul. - Read Sir W. J. Hooker's letter about timber, & Mr. E. Wilson's (to Goul) about Black

Mr Gould to
survey boat fields.

W. Black.

Public
business.

Colt Russell.

to Mr Bright of the Mercury. Told him that he might
insert a notice that "we understand that Mr Gould
has instructions to examine & report on the boat
fields of the colony," - and that "letters have been
rec^d from Messrs Gould & Wilson which justify
the decision of the S. Com^{ee} in the case of Mr Black".
Mr Innes is to send a paragraph also to the effect
that Weston & I will be in H. town to attend to
Public business with Mr Innes during the absence
of Henry. - Colt Russell & I discussed about Volunteers.
I gave him some extracts from the Times & Daily
News on the subject. -

Conferences
with Sir H. G.

Nov^r 16th. - Walked to Gov^t House. Sir Henry & the difficulties which
he encountered at the commencement of his government here.
Sir W. Denison told him, "Yours is all easy work now, -
you have fallen upon a bed of roses." He found a state
of things arise in connection with the corruption in
the Council Depart^t which cost him more anxiety than
he ever suffered before. Hamblin v. Fenton case. His pro-
rogat^{ee} of the Council. I read Sir W. Woodroffe's letter to him,
and we talked about timber. Mr Black & the salmon
experiment. - The R. S. Gardens looking very well. - Roses

Death of
Mrs Sorell.
Carriacou Bay.

Cabinet business. Writing up Journal. - Mr Sorell died. -
17th - Writing up Journal from memo^{rs}. - To Carriacou Bay
No Archery Meet^g on acct of Mr Sorell's death. - Found Rev^d
J. J. Irving there, & his choir singers at a pic-nic. - Found

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Manna.

a large quantity of manna under young trees of the E. Acrota? in the Domain. - Examined thistles as to roots. & satisfied myself that it is not the Carduus arvensis that is so troublesome here. -

Thistles.

Nov^r 18th. - Sunday. - To St John's in the forenoon. Walked with the children in the afternoon. -

Exec^{ve} Council Meet^g.

19th. - Exec^{ve} Council Meet^g. - Successor to W. Sorell: W. Watkins.

Appointments of 2^d Sessions (W. House) & Comm^r of Insolv^t Court (W. Brown)

W. H. Buckland to take his place. - The offices of Chairman of the duties, but ^{the idea was} rejected. In the first place he is very young, & does not possess ability sufficient to make up for his youth. Then he has been a thorough-going Free-soiler, at the same ^{time} coquetting with the Gov^t party. Then, if he should resign we should lose a gentlemanly & handsomely appointed

W. Adams.

who might be replaced by a troublesome if not a formidable antagonist. Then it would be an exhibition either of weakness or party-maneuvring to go to the

W. Ballantine & the timber sent by Sir W. Denison to the Admiralty:

Oppositⁿ ranks for officers of the Gov^t. - W. Ballantine he contends "it was of the best quality of Blue Gum".

W. Weston

De-browther and Timber: he maintains that the said timber was cut in great patches, leaving a large portion of heart-wood. - W. Weston went to the Heron mistaking today for the 26th. -

W. Weston

Nov^r 20th. - W. Hull's pamphlet not to be published at Gov^t expense.

Prepar^d for R.S. Meeting. Reading about timber & whistles.
Wrote extract from Sir W. Hooper's letter for the Mercury.

Bought a cow from for £14.-

Bought a cow
Nov 21st
Cabinet Meet^g.
Appointments.
My children.

21st Cabinet Meet^g. - Appointments. Mr Slope to take Mr
Buckland's place as Attorney Genl's Clerk; Mr Hume to
be Sol^r Genl's Clerk. - Question as to new Chairman
of 2^d Sessions. Farleton spoken of. I advocated the
appointment of a professional man. Mr Hume seemed
anxious to have Farleton appointed. I also
advised that Mr H. Buckland sh^d have £380 a year.
Wrote report of R.S. Meeting 24 pages of note paper =
a column ^a half of long printing; - took it to the
Mercury office. -

22nd Exec^{ve} Council Meet^g. Mr Weston not returned. -

Corwall Hospital papers. - Wrote to P. Pitt about wool,
offer^d to give him on R.B. & Co's acct 1/8 per lb advance.
Wrote to R. Brooks about the Pitts' wool, and about Mrs
Ryall, who had Ann Gough's child to nurse; also to
Mrs Ryall to apply for the allow^{ce} promised to her 6/- a
week. - Enclosed to W.B. a memo. for Mr Ashcroft on
the subject, suggest^d the possibility of Mrs Ryall's impos^g
on us, - also to Mess^{rs} Oze & Menyon, & Mess^{rs} Williams
& Shore, about packets for R.S. from Germany, - &
to Mess^{rs} O. & M. about applying for my copy of Sir.
Joc. Thoms^{on}. - Mr Weston came & talked over the
appoint^{mt} of R.W. Mutt as Chairman of 2^d Sessions &c. -

Exec^{ve} Council
Meet^g.
To P. Pitt. Adv^{ce}
on his wool.
Wrote to
R. Brooks.
Mrs Ryall.
Mess^{rs} Oze & Menyon.
Sir. J. Thoms.
Mr Weston.
Mr Mutt.

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told him I should be very glad if Nutt would take it; but doubted his doing so for many reasons. Bought a small Patent chum £2.14.0 & a sponging bath 35/-.

Patent chum.

Nov 23rd wrote to Sir Wm Hooker, about ship-timber &c. - & about a presentable well-educated young man, with some knowledge of Geology & Botany, or of Geology only to take the Secretaryship of the Royal Soc^y.

To Mr Whifflet

To Jas MacArthur

To S. Diprose

To A. Fisher

To Bedford

To Weston

To Nutt

To Dobson

Nov 23rd wrote to Sir Wm Hooker, about ship-timber &c. - & about a presentable well-educated young man, with some knowledge of Geology & Botany, or of Geology only to take the Secretaryship of the Royal Soc^y. - Told him we should be glad to get Mr Oliver, but feared he would not come. Wrote to Mr Whifflet about sending Journ. Trans. Soc. - To Jas MacArthur regretting that nothing could be done in the way of getting him ~~some~~ a loan on the security of his pre-emptive right, & land at the Mersey. - To S. Diprose that his offer for the ^{West Roberts} farm was too small. - To A. Fisher that Sir's cottage & land ~~and~~ only be let with the said farm. - Dr Bedford called on Weston (see at the Cabinet Office). Weston told him plainly that we could not discuss the question by ^{means of} personal interviews, - only by correspond^{ce}. The Dr looked very blue & black at this, and said he only wanted a reply to his letter, which was rec^d on the 20th inst^t. - Mr Dobson is to write to Nutt to ask him about accept^{ing} the above appointm^{ts}; without compromi^s the Gov^t. - Dobson is strongly of opinion that a professional man should be

Mr Adams,

appointed. Mr Weston half seemed to think that Adams might do as a "pis aller"!

Nov^r 24th

Mr Weston & I carefully went through Mr Bedford's letter

Mr W. & G. & H. 12's letter.

I made notes of the points contained in it, - both coming to the conclusion that he had not made his case a particle better, - and that it was necessary to adhere to the condition on which Gov^t aid w^d be granted to St Mary's H^l, - namely, "that the building sh^d not be encumbered with any debt without the sanction of the Gov^t." I examined files of the Courier

Files of Courier & Note for St Mary's H^l.

Advertiser & Ball Times for 1853 and found ^{on the motion of Mr W. G.} that the sum of £2000 was voted on the 30th Sept^r 1853 to extinguish the debt on St Mary's Hosp^l, on the condition that three beds should be secured to the Gov^t in perpetuity. It was stated

at the time

that the building was vested in Trustees. - Afterwards

the £2000 was granted ¹⁸⁵⁹ ^{free of conditions} to the Hospital, and the cost of the

3 beds up to that time (£614) repaid, on the ground that

£2600 had been subscribed, - thereby apply^g to St M's H^l

the same principle which had been carried out in

analogous cases. - Mr Bedford maintains that the

sum of £14,000 - or about that am^t, - received from patients

at the Hosp^l, ought to be looked upon as a subscription

raised by his exertions; - but the Gov^t contend that

it merely represents the price paid for benefits rec^d.

In the evening I dined at Mr S. J. Knight's, and met

at dinner Mr Justice Smith, Mr Lariton & Mr Bolly. Afterwards

Amends with
at 1/2 cent.

Sir G. Grey
had Keppell.

we found a party of ladies including Mrs Smith, Mrs
Dobson & others in the drawing room. - It was mentioned
at dinner by Mr Gosletou that Adm^t Keppell had gone
to the Cape of Good Hope with Sir George & Lady Grey,
and had been guilty of so great a familiarity to
her Ladyship (who did not complain of it however) that
Sir George struck him. There was no sympathy with
the adm^t on the part of the captain, or others on board.
I hear that Sir G. Grey is a cold ^{hearted} unimpassioned man,
firm and unflinching in the performance of what
he regards as duty, but not calculated to endear
friends to him. - Lady Grey, it is said, has returned
to England. - I am told that Sir George, when Capt.
Grey, met with her at King George's Sound, and
married her there. - Wet weather - showery.

Nov^r 25th - Sunday. - Wet & windy. None of us out of the
house all day. -

Rain.

26th - Looking over Gardener's Chronicle newspapers, &
arranging them. Meet^g of Exec^{ve} Council. - allotment to
a returned pensioner. - Mr Fielding Brown's letter
to the Gov^r about the threatened loss of his office. -
Letter ^(Capt^t Council) in reply to Dr Bedford's, telling him that we
must adhere to the stated conditions of grant from Gov^r.
Called on Mrs C. Meredith, who, with her husband,
has just returned from Melbourne, & left some
diatomiferous clay from Melbourne for me at the

Ex 461.
Mrs. M. Meredith.

Capt^t 61.
Sister to
Dr Bedford.

Mrs C. Meredith.

Paid for
Mrs Meredith's
Book.

Wm. J. Browne.

Mr. J. S. Mearns
injuriously

Mr. Manning's
Timber in
Isles of the South.

Salt-water soaked.

Bonded stores
of Goumay.

Textile
materials.

Mr. Browne
&
Messrs Manning's
Timber.

Inspector
of Timber.

Museum. Sent her £3 out of which to retain the price of her illust^d work: she retained £2.12.6. -

Dr Bedford & Wm. Browne: - his dependence upon his salary, - the injustice of the Home Govt. - the injustice of the same Govt in his own case St. Mary's Hosp. -

Dr Browne & Timber. W Manning's timber very "specky". - Dr B's seemed very sound; but it was still damp from the saturatⁿ with ~~the~~ salt-water

I am not sure that this soaking will conduce to its lasting well. - In the forenoon I talked with

Mr Weston & Mr Solly about the bonded store for Goumay.

I protested against the matter being left in the hands of Mr Watt the Coll^r of Customs at Dankestow to settle as he thought proper. -

Nov^r 27th. - Reading about "Textile fabrics. Textile materials are such as can be woven. We have few, I fear, sufficiently abundant to form articles of commerce). I wrote 3 copies of a memo.

about the subject for the Mercury, Advertiser, & Examiner. Dr Browne & Messrs Manning's timber. - He wishes me to "bell the cat"; but I see no reason for entering

personally into the question. I have pressed upon my colleagues the desirability of appointing an Inspector of Timber, to mark all that is sound & good, upon the application of the Proprietors, charg^d

a fee for doing so. - This would afford protection to buyers in England, and prevent the reputation of

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our timber from being destroyed, at the very time when we expect to obtain a market for it in England. - I told D.C. I wd see W. Bright of the Mercury Office about it. - Cabinet business. W. Watt and the bonded store at Yorguey. There seems to be a great scarcity of coke here: at the Gas works they say that they consume themselves nearly all they make. - Entered the names of the periodicals ^{books} received during the last 4 months for the R.S. Library in the List of Books. - Mr G.A. Anstey and R. Wilson's letter to the Times about the Wombat. &c. - His opinion about Dr Hooker's book on the Himalayan tour. - R. Davies and his erratic ways. - Whines's promise of a place for him. -

Bonded Store
of Books.
List of books
at Yorguey.
G.A. Anstey.
R. Wilson.
Dr Hooker.
Rowl Davies.

Nov 28th

Cabinet business. - Instructed W. Pitcairn to draw up a deed to transfer the annuities on Cheshunt to the two lots of £4000 acres, in one of which the housestead stands. Walked near Synnyngus House, collecting spec^{ies} of diseased flowers of *Wahlenbergia gracilis*. Examined the leaves of the Mauna Gum-tree, which seems to be *S. viminalis*. - A great variety of Insects upon the leaves of the young gumtrees.

W. Pitcairn.
Deed. Annuities.
Wahlenbergia gracilis.
Mauna Gum-tree.

29th - To the R.S. Gardens, a meeting of the Land. Com^{tee} had been called. W. Giblin, however, had an engagement at the Savings Bank, the Archdeacon had gone off fishing, Mr Henry is in Sydney, W. Sifscoube did not come; - so that

Garden Com^{tee} Meeting!!

I was left to perform the duties by myself. Found
the gardens in good order, and the various plants
looking healthy. - Attended a Meet^s of the E. C. at 11 o'clock.
Mr Jones shewed me Mr Darch's remarks about bonded
warehouses at out ports, - that is to say at ports
of small importance at some distance from the
main ports. He thinks that there should be no
bonded warehouse unless a sufficient number of officers
be appointed to form a system of checks. - So that
he would have no bonded warehouse except^s
at the main ports, H. Town & E. Town. - Writ^s summons
for R. S. Council Meet^s on Saturday. - Reading one of
A. Lamartine's novels in verse called "Joelyne". It is
about a priest who falls in love with a girl, who
was left, as a boy, in his charge by a dying exile.
Being hurt by a fall he discovers her sex while
stanching a wound in her side. The author depicts
the unnatural struggles against his love for her to
which Joelyne is driven. He meets her in Paris by
accident, and finds that she retains her love
for him. He flies to the country. She is brought
to a dying bed by illness, and he being sent
for by chance closes her eyes, after administering
extreme unction to her. The story is elaborately
worked up, and is a strong protest against the
forced celibacy of the clergy. -

Bonded
Warehouses.
Mr Darch.

"Joelyne."

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Nov^r 30th

W. Manley &
Public Accounts.

New Heon
road.

"Robin"
singing.

Native
Cross.

Clematis

Dr B. &
St Mary's Hosp.

My throat
troublesome.

Cabinet business. With W. Manley learning about the management of the public accounts. The system of checks carried out in the Audit office seems to be very complete. The whole of the book-work of the Treasury is done by W. Jean, assist^t to Galt Treas^r, this subordinates. - Rode along the new Heon road. It is only ^{enough} wide for a bridle track for the last mile or so which has been opened, - and will I should think prove an expensive line. - Dr B. St Mary's in the evening. - While out riding I heard a female Robin singing like a Chaffinch, though a shorter note. It was a male bird that I heard on the way up from Sakobe in the end of October last, sing^s the same note. - There is a large quantity of an indig^o cross (*Gardamine dictyosperma*) growing at the side of the new Heon track. - On biting a leaf of *Clematis coriacea*, which I saw in full flower, I found that it was pungent like that of *C. gentianoides*, though not so pungent as ^{the leaf of} that species. -

Dec^r 1st - Dr Bedford St Mary's Hosp. He denounces in strong terms all who have disagreed with him, & especially the Gov^t; but in such a manner as to leave me, as "present company", out of the category. He is to examine my chest tomorrow. - My throat has troubled me lately. The day before yesterday a small artery seemed to burst, and I coughed up

a small quantity of florid blood. The same thing occurred about three weeks ago, - and yesterday I coughed up a small quantity of blood. It seems to arise from an artery near the Pomum Adami, and feels as though it bubbled down the windpipe, producing sharp coughing. - The first time that I experienced it was, I think, in 1846, after a sudden exertion. - The part of the throat from which the blood seems to flow feels sore after the bleeding has ceased. My chest in the region of the bronchiae feels uncomfortable. I wrote to Mr Henry today, giving him an account of Dr Bedford St Mary's, - about the timber movement on the site of the New Museum, - Mr James & Mr Whitefoot &c. - At 1 o'clock there was a meeting of the R. S. Council on the ground opposite Mr Chapman's, & afterwards opposite the V. D. S. Bank. It was decided that the Sec^y sh^d apply to the Gov^t for the latter piece of ground as a site for the New Museum. Mr Kalmers is to learn from the Customs Dept^t whether they are likely to want any of the land for addition to the bonded warehouse ^{that is to be} now the Ordnance Store. Arranging books at the Museum. Wrote to P. Pitt about his bill for £720 for 1 month, to retire the two bills for £500 & £200, given to them as an advance on their wool. Sent the bill to the

Letter to
Mr Henry
at Sydney.

Meets of R. S.
Council at
Museum site.

P. Pitt
bill to retire
bills.
(Wool.)

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Adv. on
P. Pitts' stock.

Mr Pitcairn
Deed to transfer
annuities on
parts of Chesht.

Union Bank of Australia in remission for disc^t.
I am to give the Pitts an advance of $\frac{1}{8}$ per lb. on
the Chesht clip, by endorsing their bills on
W.B. Brooks's firm to that extent. - It is $\frac{1}{2}$ per lb too
much; but I am anxious to get the wool into
R.B. Hob's hands at the start, leaving it to them
to make their own arrangements afterwards.
I saw Mr Pitcairn this morning & arranged
with him for a deed to transfer the annuities
charged on the whole of Chesht to the two
lots of 2000 acres each (lot 230 & today's location)
about the Homestead, at the same time
making a conveyance of the remainder of
Chesht from the Trustees under my
father's will to me. Neither my brother's
property nor mine has yet been properly
conveyed to us. -

Dec^r 2nd Sunday. To church at St David's in the forenoon. - Reading
Graham's exploratⁿ of Bashaw in the evening. -

"Bashaw's"
No. 2nd
Bounded
Warehouses.
check.

3rd Saw Mr Arch about "bounded warehouses" at out-ports. He says
that there cannot be a proper check without three officers,
namely 1. Landing waiter, 2. Warehouse keeper, 3. Collector. It seems
to me that this could be managed, at Port Frederick, where
Mr Friend is 1. Landing waiter & Mr Hayes 3. Sub-collector; for
when the bound^d warehouse is established, there will be
the third person, the warehouse keeper. - at the cabinet

Mr. Nutt.
offer of office
to him.

office. Mr Weston had received a letter from Mr Nutt, & Mr
Pitcairn who called in - also. The result of the offer of the
offices held by Messrs Howe & Browne is that he w^d be glad
to accept the offer; but fears to risk the annual vote,
which depends so much on the movements of parties
personally opposed to him both in the L.C. & the H. of A.
The greater difficulty would exist in the Upper House where
Mr Lowes is hostile to him; - for Mr Gregson's opposition
in the Assembly could be successfully encountered. - Not
liking the risk, however, & not wishing, perhaps, to
expose himself to the malice of Mr Gregson, who w^d
 exert himself to the utmost to annoy him, Mr Nutt
has declined the offer. He thinks the salary ought to
be equal to that of Attorney Genl; - and suggests that
means sh^d be adopted to provide a secure place
of deposit for the records of the Insolvent Court,
under the charge of the Registrar of the Court of Requests.
Wrote summonses for Meet^g of R.S. Council on Wednesday.
Mr Stubbs recommended a collection of notes & queries
on the subject of Science. I told him we should work
the matter better when the proposed "Sections" of the
Society came into operation. -

Records of
Insolvent Ct.

Notes & queries
about Science.

Dec^r 4th. Cabinet business. - Royal Society. - Dinner: Archd^d Davies,
Mr Dobson, Mr Stubbs, Mr Manley. - Mr Knight was detained
at the Supreme Ct. -

Dinner.

Mr. Alkott.

5th. - Mr Alkott about rise of Barrow? - To look over his

As to a Secy
for the R. S!

Paper on Atmosph^e Elect^r, before it is published. - Meet^g
of Council of R.S. - I mentioned that I had written to
Sir W. Hooker to ask about a gentleman who would
make an excellent Secy. Dr Bedford thought Dr W.
ought not to be set aside. Mr Barnard, & Dr Agnew
also said Dr W. had been undervalued, - that he
would soon return, &c. - Memo. about ^{R.S.} work to be
done before the end of the year. - Letter from Mr
W. Hooker that he wd meet a bill of his for £62.13.0
now due. - Mr Weston & G. A. &c.!

W. Hooker's
Bill.

Dec 2nd 6th - Meet^g of R. C. - Sir Henry & Cal^l Broughton. - Arrival
of the "Perey", with my Mother, R. Q. Kermode & wife &
child, - Mr G. Warden, J. C. & G. A. & others. - Mr Justice
Smith & the commis^{rs} of Insol^t Estates: Mr Farleton
& Madams. He wd prefer an inferior lawyer to
a non-profes^r man of high standing. - Discussed the
case of Sir H. & Cal^l B. - Dined with my Mother & R. Q. K.
& party at St David's Parsonage. - W. H. Bill noted as dish^d.

Dined at
Superior's.

G. A. -
Cal^l B & Sir H.

East House.

Discussed G. A.'s position with R. Q. K. & my Mother.
Special Meet^g of E. C. - Cal^l B's appoint^t to a seat in E. C.
to be cancelled. - Long deliber^{on} & careful wording of
E. C. minutes. - With my Mother R. Q. K. & Mrs K. to Gov^t
House. Sir H. & Lady Young. The babies! - The R. S. Gardens
drive round the Domain. -

8th - ~~Wed~~ day. Cabinet office. Wrote to 8 Fellows of R.S. in
the country for their sub^{ms} for 1860. - Preparing for Report

of R.S. - My mother, + R.S.M. + Mrs K. dined with us. -
Dec 9th - Sunday. In the morning to St David's. Revd Mr
Thorp, who has come with R.S.M. to fill the Chap^{cy}
of Campbell Town, preached a good sermon.
at St John's in the evening. -
10th - That day. - List of books in Mus^m Sibth. - Prepar^y for
R.S. Report. - Cabinet business. -
11th - J.C. came with my mother + R.S.M. + we discussed
the affairs of the Woolmers Estate Trust + Y.C.A. -
Exec^{ve} C^o Meeting: - A man found guilty of stabbing
another, after threatening him that he would
stab him &c., recommended, for committ^{ment} of sentence
to death to "penal servitude for life". If it had been
found that the knife used was of an unusual
kind for carrying about the person he would
have been found guilty of murder, - but the knife
was not found! His previous character was in
his favor; for no crimes of personal violence were
recorded against him. - Returned home, +
continued the discussion about Woolmers Estate
affairs &c. - It was thought that the best thing
that could be done for him would be to induce him
to take an interest in the manage^{ment} of the Woolmers
Estate, and let him work under Mr J. Smith. The
difficulty is what to be done with him until his
mother's cottage can be obtained from Mr G. Ritchie.

Rev^d Mr
Thorp,

Mus^m in
work.

Woolmers
estate
affairs.

Exec^{ve} Commit^{tee}
Meeting,

Committ^{ment} of
sentence,

Y.C.A.

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M. G. A.

It seems that V. G. A. is bent on entering the army, talks of waiting till he is 21, & then of starting for the Cape of G. H. & entering the Cape Mounted Rifles. It is extremely difficult to make any arrangements for a young man of such exceedingly loose principles, overflowing with presumption & vanity. It is said that he is exceedingly good natured, & would give anything to anybody. - One would make every possible excuse for him if his errors were only those of extravagance in expenditure; - but gross falsehood and cannot readily be overlooked. - They spent the evening with us, excepting W. H. - J. A. & W. J. Robertson & the Woolmers Wood. -

W. Robertson
P. D. K.

H. S. work.

W. Sleight & W. Stuart.

Dec^r 12th. - Wrote to 5 Fellows of the R. S. for their sub^{ns}. - Went through list of Fellows, marking doubtful ones, &c. - Going carefully through Rules of the R. S. & making notes of alterations. - Cabinet Office. - W. Sleight & W. Stuart. - D. Bedford letters. - Wrote to W. Weston about W. Stuart's conduct, & W. Sleight's remarks about the opposition of the Govt. - advis^d him to write a private note to W. St^r inform^g him that the Govt. had not wished to interfere. - I fear that W. Stuart has been meddling injudiciously in the matter. - Meeting of R. S. Council. - Drive to R. S. Gardens & paid K. Abbott. - Reading Fairfax's

Designs for
New Mus^m

the aut^h of Tasmania
Handbook to Australia, in which ^{in my hands} a little enlarged, - wd
be a far better ~~work~~ for circulation than W Hall's
laboured pamphlet. - It was decided at the R.S.
Council Meet^g to advertise for designs for the new
Museum at once, a prize of £30 being payable for
the first + £15 for the 2nd best design. -

R.S. & W
Newby Vale
W. H. Home
at Home
leaves from
Franklin Mus^m

Dec^r 13th - Designs for Mus^m. - Exec^{ve} C^o. - Cabinet Office. - My
Mother, R.S. Kemade & Mrs H. left for Mona Vale. - "At Home"
at Govt House; rather a dancing party, or ordinary even^g
party, - not a reception. -

Reading at
Mr Knight's

14th - Designs for Mus^m. - Cab^o Office. Site of Mus^m. - Leases from
Franklin Mus^m. -

15th - Cab^o Office. Proposed to save premiums for Design
of Mus^m. Spec^l Meet^g of Council to be called on the subject.
Dined at Mr Knight's, - meeting Mr J. Smith & Charlton.
After dinner we read alternately portions of Scott's
Marmion. - I cannot say my fellow-readers were
compliment^d of saying that they read well. -

Rev Mr Watson

16th Sunday. At St David's in the morn^g. Read Mr Watson
from Adelaide, who has been discharging ministerial
duties at Campbell Town, preached. I was much
pleased with his sermon, and the earnestness of
his manner.

Paper on
Thistles

17th Cab^o Office. Mus^m alterations. - Writing Paper on
Thistles. - To R.S. Gardens. - Council Meet^g R.S. -

18th - Finished Paper on "Thistles". - Made out particulars

1860

Meet^g of R.S.
P.S.

of designs for New Mus^m. - Meet^g of Royal Society in the evening. Sir Henry Young came, and there were only 6 other Fellows present besides myself. Not very encouraging to me or to the Society! -

Designs for New Mus^m by Mr Henry.

Dec^r 19th - Arrang^d objects in the Mus^m. - Gave W. Thomas my opinion about plans for the New Mus^m. - Mr Thomas came & made extracts from particulars. - Cabinet Office: Mr Henry returned yesterday from Sydney with his wife and daughter. -

P.S.

20th - Exec^u Council Meet^g. - Cab^l Office. - Letter to W. Adams from Dr Bedford. answered. - Ordered case to supply the kitchen boiler, to prevent its burning. -

Dr Bedford's letter, *Yucca* sp. from Dr Bright. Jan^r. - which seems to be *Y. pennsylvanica*. - Mrs Francis Smith's Even^g party. The Gov^r & Lady Young there. The Ladyship & Mr Smith played a duet for the dancers! Westcott & Littleton arrived at St David's Parsonage. -

21st - Arrang^d objects in Mus^m. - Cab^l business. - Dr Bedford's letter answer^d by W. James. - *Y. R. S. Gardens* about *Yucca* sp. from Dr Bright. Jan^r. - which seems to be *Y. pennsylvanica*. - Mrs Francis Smith's Even^g party. The Gov^r & Lady Young there. The Ladyship & Mr Smith played a duet for the dancers! Westcott & Littleton arrived at St David's Parsonage. -

Mr John Davies & Gov^r of spirits.

22nd - Report of R.S. Meet^g to the Meeting. - Mr John Davies told me that we couldn't think of appoint^g Mr J. B. Gregson to the office (consolid) vacated by Mess^{rs} Home & Snow, because he is a political opponent, and it wd look like an act to buy off his opposition: - the same with Mr Adams. I told him that the only point which troubled

Consolidation of
Courts of Appeals & Chancery
about requests
re.

The Govt was the selection of the best man, to
whatever party he belonged. I told him also that
the majority of the lawyers were opposed to the
appointment of a non-professional person. - My own opinion
is that the duties of the combined courts, except
the suits for trifling amounts, should be decided
by the judges; for they have certainly very light
work at present. Sir Henry Young & Mr Henry are
quite of the same opinion. Probably we shall make
a temporary arrangement until Parlt meets. - In
Sunderland too, in all probability, the change consisting
of the two offices held by Whiteford & James will be
postponed. - Mr Henry's ideas about evening parties.
I saw some of Westcott Sythelton's drawings of plants
about Halifax &c., and thought them remarkably
well done. -

W. Sythelton's
drawings.

Dec 23rd - Sunday. To St David's in the morn^g: Mr Watson
preached. To St John's in the evening. Mr Cox
pointed out the distinction between "sin"
and "wickedness", - namely that "sin" meant
the faults into which we are led by the
infirmities of our nature, while "wickedness"
consisted of wilful transgressions of God's laws.

Mr Cox's
distinction
between sin
& wickedness

24th - Tues^{day}. - Court Office: - Mr Martelli. Meet^g of King's
Coun^{cil}. Mr Martelli to go to Bathwell &c. & then
to return to H. Town. - Dined at the Davieses.

Mr Martelli
goes to Bathwell
& returns

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Rowland Davies
Dec 25th

Rowland Davies arrived from Melbourne.

Christmas Day. - At St David's in the morning.
Looking through journal of 1858 &c. - Our family
is somewhat scattered, now: no chance of our
meeting at the old Waulwens mansion as in
days of yore. -

Reports of
R.S. Meetings

26th Public holiday. - I worked in the Mus^m for
several hours, collecting the reports of R. S.
Meetings from Dr Milligan's papers. - Called on
Sir V. & Lady Fleming with all, and Mr F. Smith,
Mr Knights, Gyllibrands, and Henlys. - Drove
to the Domain, where processions of children
were moving about. All our children were
unhappily their movements. - I walked back,
finding the air quite cold: the therm² at ab^t 60°. -
Made up this journal from notes, from the 13th
inst. -

Calls

Processions of
children

Pleuro-pneumonia
corrects
R.S. Reports

27th Cabinet business. - I proposed to Henly a Commisⁿ
about Pleuro-pneumonia; but he did not think the
subject sufficiently important. - Correcting R.S.
Reports of 1856 at the Mus^m. - Sir Henry Young
being at New Norfolk there was no meeting of the Ex^m
Council. -

Account of
W. Wellington

28th With Mr. Sybbleton & R. Davies up W. Wellington. We left
DeGraeves's at about 5 o'clock, going as far as his Brewery in
my dog-cart, and took a hack leading along the left bank

Manalaha
in flower

of the Hobart Town Rivulet towards the spine of the Mt.
running down to New Town. - at the height of about
 $\frac{1}{3}^{\text{rd}}$ of the ascent we turned to the left towards the
foot of the great precipice, but found ourselves, after
some very rough walking, to the right of it and
they were some fine plants of Manalaha & others in flower here.
higher. Deciding on not losing time by descending
to it, we struggled up the ascent, which was
rendered at this part extremely fatiguing owing
to the rocks being covered with a dense under-
wood, through which we had to make our way
by severe efforts, rendered all the more exhausting
by the heat of a bright noonday sun. After
more than 7 hours from the time of leaving the
Brewery we found ourselves at the trigonomet^l
station on the summit of the Mt. - R. Davies having
made his way to the top in advance of us. - We
found no water on that part of the Mt. and
proceeded to the part near the Ice house. As
we approached it we found sufficient water
to slake our thirst, and the shelter of a rock to
rest under. - The ploughed field. The upper ice-house
The middle one & its tenant: - delicious water: tea: pic-
nicians from the Town on Boxing-day. - The
Springs. The cottage lower down: all given for nothing
W Lloyd & the visitors' book. - The valley. - Returned
to the Brewery by about 7 o'clock. - Reached home

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about $\frac{1}{2}$ party. - The Antedecaron meeting us on the way. - I collected a few specimens from the NW.

Dec^r 29th. - correcting R. S. Reports. - cabinet business. - J. A. Youl from Sauncestow. -

J. A. Youl.

30th. - Sunday. St David's in the forenoon. - Revd Mr Quilley preached. -

31st. - R. S. Reports. - E. C. Meeting. - claims on the Imperial Govt. -

1861

N. W. Bay River.

Party's meeting.

Claims on Imp'l Govt.

Committee on Rules of R. S.

Bazaar.

Jan^y 1st. - With J. A. Youl at 6 o'clock to NW. Bay River. - The reservoir for Salmon-pond. - Back at 1 o'clock. - Fibres from *Diplazabene Moraea* + *Herotes longifolia*. - The water in NW. Bay semi-salt. - J. A. Youl died with us. I had engaged to keep his £3000 for another year: to let him know. -

2nd. - Museum. - R. S. Reports. - Monthly meet^g of Council papers & accounts. -

3rd. - cabinet business. - claims on Imp'l Govt. - Youl to bring them under the notice of the Duke of Newcastle. - Mr James's epitome of the subject. - cost of maint^{ce} of convicts on committing crimes within 12 months of becom^g free. - Bazaar. -

4th. - Committee for revision of Rules of R. S. at my house. - Mr Kennedy, Mr Samard & myself. - The monthly meeting of Council of the Royal Soc^y. - Bazaar for build^g a Passage for St John's closes this evening at 9. - J. A. Youl to Sauncestow. - It