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My dear Husband,

Mr Talbot passed  
the night at Rosedale, on Saturday.  
'd started for Malahide on Sunday  
morning, he seemed to hint he  
would be too busy to return the  
next week to Hobart town - I forgot  
particularly to remind you about  
getting servants, there are quite upon  
the you vine to go, I have wanted  
to go to the diggings & they both  
as usual did not speak with  
one another all last week, I do  
not suppose we shall be able to  
get any better, but I do not think  
there will stop. Mr Talbot said  
he had just sent two up to his  
house, which he got through Drury

from Mr Bucklands & has en-  
gaged to give them 40£ pr year  
they are at present pap holders, but  
the man is daily expecting his  
ticket & will then marry the  
woman - Rose Linnik said she  
would look about for me; some  
we must have; the young people  
are for me getting some of the  
Sura Maria at our distance  
from town it is a terrible event  
changing should you engage any  
servants let me have a few days  
notice before they come up,  
as I would if possible have one set  
go before another come in fact I  
would rather wait a few weeks if  
I can get what will suit -  
Mum - will you ask Mr W Allison  
what I am indebted to him for



expenses on the road - we  
stopped at Barlow & at Oatlands  
to Lunch &c. Write long letters  
it is getting verry hot fine weather  
for the harvest ours is all stacked  
& Arthur is beginning to load to  
day; when will the business allow  
you to return home future  
elections ought to be able to  
provide themselves with a town  
residence or be like Andrew  
Marral & live three days upon  
a shoulder of mutton - Shaw  
has just been into the room  
hoping we shall soon get  
some servants - This week -  
they are impatient to be gone  
Sarah tells them <sup>her brother</sup> I ought to have  
gone on board the Anne Maria  
& found a woman I am quite  
at loss what sort to advise you



To get whether a man & his wife  
on some convict servants I must  
leave it to you I suppose it would  
have taken me all my time  
in Hobartown to have looked after  
servants it is the great drawback  
in the country the unsettled state  
you are in with respect to Lewis  
We are all quite well I propose  
paying Mr Poore a visit tomorrow  
& Sarah has promised to go to a  
Picnic on Wednesday the Sunday  
school are to be present & regaled  
with buns & tea it is to be on  
Mr Davidson's Marsh I understand  
all the neighbours are invited  
with our very kind regards to  
you & kind remembrances to  
all ingenious Yours very affectionately  
E Leake