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1867	819	J. SHAW, CORPORAL.	REDRUTH PS - WM. H. RICHARDS CONVICTED OF ILLEGALLY RETAILING SPIRITS. - CONVICTION QUASHED IN THE ADELAIDE LOCAL COURT.
1867	824	W. BROWN, SERGEANT.	PORT ADELAIDE - GAS ESCAPING IN CORPORAL WRIGHT'S KITCHEN AT THE STATION.
1867	825	COMMISSIONER.	ITEMS SHIPPED TO FOWLERS BAY AND STREAKY BAY POLICE STATIONS.
1867	828	INSPECTOR READ.	HIS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REPAIRS, ADDITIONS AT TANUNDA, CLARE, KAPUNDA, AUBURN, PT. AUGUSTA, PORT WAKEFIELD, REDRUTH, KADINA, MCONTA, AND WALLAROO.
1867	830	J. SHAW, CORPORAL.	REDRUTH PS - REQUESTING REPAIR OF FENCING AROUND THE STATION.
1867	833	SHERIFF.	PRISONERS FROM SOUTH EAST GAOLS TO BE SENT TO ADELAIDE PER STEAMER FOR ADELAIDE AND YATALA GAOLS AND THE MENTAL ASYLUM.
1867	835	M. MCKEEVOR PT.	WILLUNGA PS - REPAIRS REQUIRED TO. - REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR. - INSUFFICIENT ACCOMMODATION FOR THE MARRIED AND SINGLE MEMBERS THERE.
1867	836	J. O'BRIEN, LANCE CORPORAL.	KAPUNDA PS - REPORT IN REGISTER NEWSPAPER OF FIREARMS DISCHARGED AT TRAIN NEAR FREELING.
1867	856	J. O'BRIEN, LANCE CORPORAL.	KAPUNDA PS - RATES CHARGED BY COUNCIL. -

STOCK. - NO PRINTED FORMS IN EXISTENCE AND NOT SUPPLIED BY GOVT.

1867 872 R. SAUNDERS, SGT. MAJOR. POLICE BARRACKS, ADELAIDE - NEW FENCING REQUIRED TO REPLACE THAT REMOVED TO BUILD THE NEW COLONIAL STORE.

1867 877 COMMISSIONER. LISTS OF FOUND PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF POLICE.

1867 890 W. ROLLISON, CORPORAL. MT. BARKER PS - HOUSE OF MRS. BUTTROSE LEASED AS A POLICE STATION AT ECHUNGA IN NEED OF MAINTENANCE.

1867 892 J. W. BEE, INSPECTOR. SEEKING ALLOCATION OF HORSE FOR HIS PERSONAL USE. - APPROVED. - TO BE KEPT AT THE BARRACKS AND ATTENDED TO BY A METROPOLITAN PC WHO IS NOT TO BE EXEMPTED FROM OTHER DUTIES.

1867 897 A. NAITE, PT. VENUS BAY PS - NEED TO REPLACE POLICE HORSES LUCIFER AND DAISY UNFIT FOR POLICE WORK.

1867 900 E. BENTLEY, SERGEANT. THREE LAKES PS - PAYMENT OF TRAVELLING EXPENSES TO WITNESS IN PROSECUTION OF W. HOWARD, CHARGED WITH ROBBERY.

1867 904 COMMISSIONER. SUPPLIES SENT TO WINNIE POLICE STATION.

1867 909 J. BESLEY, CORPORAL. WALLAROO - REPORTING THE EXTENT OF SHIPS AT AND THE CONDUCT AND FREQUENT DISTURBANCES INVOLVING THE SHIPS' CREWS. EMPHASIZING THE SIGNIFICANT GROWTH OF THE PORT. SEEKING SUPPLEMENTION OF EXISTING STAFF OF 3 WITH WATER POLICE. REBUKE TO INSPECTOR READ BY COMMISSIONER ABOUT HIS CLAIM THAT SMUGGLING IS RIFE AT WALLAROO.

1867 910 T. MALLON, CORPORAL. MT. REMARKABLE PS - REPAIRS REQUIRED TO THE BUILDING HOUSING ABORIGINAL STORES.

1867 912 VARIOUS BORDERTOWN. - COMPLAINT BY J. LAIDLAW RE CONDUCT OF TROOPERS TIMMS AND JOY AND THEIR ALLEGED DRUNKENNESS ETC. JOY DISCHARGED AND TIMMS TRANSFERRED.

1867 915 COMMISSIONER, TELEGRAM TO INSPECTOR HUNT OF PENOLA RE MURDER OF THOMAS BURKE, BANK MANAGER OF SMYTHESDALE, VICTORIA. - OFFENDERS IN POSSESSION OF 'ROUGH' GOLD AND POSSIBLY PROCEEDING TO S.A.

1867 916 W. Du BIDAT. APPLICANT FOR EMPLOYMENT - COMMISSIONER'S COMMENT ON PLENTITUDE OF APPLICANTS SEEKING ENTRY.

1867 917 J. JOHNSTON, SENIOR CONSTABLE. OF WILCANNIA PS, N.S.W. - FORWARDING RECOGNIZANCE TO BE SERVED ON J. BAYLEY.

1867 920 CHIEF SECRETARY. APPROVING PURCHASE OF 100 PAIRS OF CAVALRY SPURS.

1867 933 COMMISSIONER. MEMO TO N.C.O.'S AND OTHER RANKS - NOT TO

BEHAVE WITH FAMILIARITY TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC NOT THEIR PERSONAL FRIENDS. - NEED TO KEEP THEIR OFFICIAL POSITIONS, 'UNSULLIED.'

1867 938 M. BRENNAN, LANCE CORPORAL. ADELAIDE PS - PUNISHED FOR BEING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRINK AND INSOLENT TO SGT. EVERDALE. - SEEKING REMISION BY THE COMMISSIONER OF HIS PUNISHMENT - GRANTED.

1867 939 F. DUHERT, PT. MT. PLEASANT PS - HIS CONCERN AT HEARINGS OF BREACHES OF THE MASTER AND SERVANTS ACT SET DOWN FOR HEARING AT MT PLEASANT WHERE THERE IS NO COURT HOUSE. SUGGESTS THEY BE HEARD AT GUMERACHA. - COMMISSIONER'S REFUSAL TO ALLOW MT. PLEASANT PS TO BE USED AS A COURTROOM.

1867 945 J. W. O'BRIEN, CORPORAL. KAPUNDA PS - WHITEWASHING OF CELLS, STABLES.

1867 946 VARIOUS. APPOINTMENTS OF POLICE AS INSPECTOR OF BRANDS AT THE REQUEST OF VARIOUS COUNCILS, FOR PUPOSE OF PREVENTING CATTLE STEALING AND TO ENABLE INSPECTIONS OF SLAUGHTER HOUSES.

1867 949 J. QUINN OF THE PORTLAND HOTEL NEAR PORT ADELAIDE. - COMPLAINING OF BROTHELS IN PIRIE STREET, CITY. INSPECTOR BEE'S REPORT OF THEIR LONG STANDING EXISTENCE IN THE AREA WITHOUT COMPLAINTS AND DOUBTING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF MEASURES AVAILABLE TO POLICE TO REMOVE THEM. THE POLICE VIEW THAT THIS WILL ONLY CAUSE THEM TO RELOCATE ELSEWHERE. ADVICE TO COMPLAINANT THAT HE COULD INITIATE ACTION UNDER COUNCIL BY-LAW.

1867 953 T. BUDD. CLERK AT POLICE BARRACKS. - SEEKING PROVISION OF A GAS LIGHT.

1867 956 J. JONES, PT. WELLINGTON PS. - PROBLEM OF DRIFT SAND AGAINST PREMISES. - RECOMMENDATION OF OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WORKS THAT 8-900 CUBIC YARDS OF SAND NEEDS REMOVAL.

1867 957 COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND. SEEKING COPY OF THE LAST APPROPRIATION ACT AND ESTIMATES PASSED BY THE S.A. PARLIAMENT FOR 1867.

1867 968 CHF. COMMISSIONER, MELBOURNE. TELEGRAM FROM RE ROBERT LOWE CHARGED WITH MISAPPROPRIATING A GOLD HUNTER WATCH. - TO BE KEPT UNDER SURVEILLANCE IN S.A.

1867 969 COMMISSIONER. DETECTIVE CLERK DEMPSEY PLACED IN CHARGE OF THE DETECTIVE OFFICE AND SUPERINTENDANCE OF THE DETECTIVES' DUTIES. - TO REPORT DIRECT TO THE COMMISSIONER.

1867 970 P. FOELSCHKE STRATHALBYN. - ALLEGATION BY DRIVER OF THE WELLINGTON-STRATHALBYN MAIL (DAVIS) THAT HE HAD BEEN FIRED UPON. - FALSE REPORT.

1867 984 W. EWENS, P. T. SEEKING TRANSFER FROM H.Q. TO OVERLAND CORNER.

1867 985 COMMISSIONER. INSTRUCTING CORPORAL MORTON TO REPORT ON THE

STATE IN WHICH THE MORAVIAN AND LUTHERAN MISSIONARIES ARE LIVING AT KOPPERAMANNA, - QUERYING WHETHER THEY ARE PUTTING DOWN PERMANENT ROOTS OR INTENDING TO MOVE TO COOPERS CREEK.

1867 988 T. DOBBS, PC. HINDMARSH PS - WATER FORMING SMALL LAKE ON WEST SIDE OF THE PORT ROAD TO A DEPTH OF 5 FEET AND DANGER TO PUBLIC. - NO FUNDS TO RECTIFY.

1867 989 W. SEARCY, CHIEF INSPECTOR. NOON DAY GUN AT POLICE BARRACKS. - UNSAFE FOR USE - NEW BRASS GUN SUPPLIED.

1867 993 CHIEF SECRETARY. POLICE TO MAKE ENQUIRIES AT BORDER STATIONS AS TO THE TRUTH OF REPORTS THAT A NUMBER OF FAMILIES ARE LEAVING S.A. FOR ELSEWHERE. NUMEROUS GERMAN FAMILIES FOUND TO BE LEAVING S.A. FOR ALBURY WHERE OPPORTUNITIES TO ACQUIRE LAND ARE SAID TO BE BETTER THAN IN S.A.

1867 1000 VARIOUS. DAILY STATE FOR THE MOUNTED POLICE FOR 29-5-1867, DETAILING THEIR STRENGTH AND DUTIES, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF MEN AND HORSES AT OUT STATIONS. - REFERENCE TO A NATIVE CAMP IN THE POLICE PADDOCK, ADELAIDE, WHERE REPAIRS TO FENCE ARE REQUIRED.

1867 1004 R. SAUNDERS, SGT. MAJOR. REQUISITION FOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE SADDLER - ALTERATIONS TO STABLES AND SEEKING PROVISION OF A 'DRESSER' (CUPBOARD) FOR HIS NEW KITCHEN.

1867 1006 T. CHALWIN. - POLICE VETINERARY SURGEON. ADVISING THE COMMISSIONER OF HIS INSOLVENCY - SERVICES MAINTAINED SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS. CRITICISM OF HIM BY THE TREASURER RE ARRANGEMENTS FOR PAYING HIS DEBTS FROM HIS SALARY. - LIENS BY HIS CREDITORS ON HIS EARNINGS.

1867 1007 COMMISSIONER. SEEKING PROVISION OF A STOCKYARD NEAR THE SUPREME COURT TO HOLD STOCK REQUIRED AS EVIDENCE AND FOR A SHELTER FOR POLICE HORSES DURING POLICE ATTENDANCE AT COURT.

1867 1013 AUDIT OFFICE. ADVISING DETAILS OF PERSONS GRANTED STOREKEEPERS AND PUBLICANS LICENCES.

1867 1026 R. TURNER, STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATE, GAWLER. MT. PLEASANT - OUTLINING PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED BY POLICE AT WHEN SUMMONSES ARE ISSUED BY JUSTICES. MUST BE ROUTED TO POLICE FOR SERVICE VIA CLERK OF COURT.

1867 1035 N.S.W. POLICE. JAMES DOYLE - MISSING FRIEND FROM S.A.

1867 1044 J. CARLY, PT. MORPHETT VALE PS - RE REMOVAL OF TIMBER FROM CROWN LANDS BY JOHN KELLY.

1867 1045 H.A. MOFFAT. LICENSEE OF SOMERSET HOTEL. - COMPLAINING OF CONDUCT OF TROOPER W. EWENS.

1867 1050 W. ROLLISON, CORPORAL. MT. BARKER. - SHEEP REQUIRED AS EVIDENCE RE

			JESSE BRAY CHARGED WITH STEALING THEM FROM EDWARD STIRLING. - IN POSSESSION OF STIRLING WHO WAS ORDERED TO DESTROY THEM BY THE STOCK INSPECTOR BECAUSE OF 'SCAB.' NOT ALLOWED TO BE REMOVED FROM PADDOCK. - DILEMMA FOR POLICE IN PRODUCING THEM FOR TRIAL. OPINION OF CROWN SOLICITOR. SKINS WITH BRANDS RETAINED.
1867	1082	attorney lgeneral.	ADVISING COMMISSIONER OF THE GOVT'S REMISSION OF A FINE IMPOSED ON GUISEPPE BIERANTE BY THE PENOLA BENCH OF MAGISTRATES. POLICE MOIETY TO BE PAID TO ITALIAN CONSUL.
1867	1083	CHIEF SECRETARY.	POLICE TO GUARD PUBLIC OFFICES FROM SUNRISE TO SUNSET DURING BUILDING ALTERATIONS.
1867	1085	COMMISSIONER (26-6-1867)	NEW POLICE BUILDING NEARING COMPLETION. OFFICER FROM ENGINEER AND ARCHITECTS DEPT TO CONFER WITH COMMISSIONER AS TO FITTINGS AND FURNITURE FOR.
1867	1088	J. W. BEE, INSPECTOR.	METROPOLITAN POLICE STATION. - INEFFECTIVE GAS LAMPS.
1867	1090	W. SEARCY, CHIEF INSPECTOR.	HIS REPORT ON STATIONS SOUTH OF GAWLER. CONTAINS A DESCRIPTION OF EACH STATION ETC.
1867	1095	PHELAN, PT.	ROBE PS - REQUISITION FOR HAY.
1867	1096	CHIEF SECRETARY	COMMISSIONER AND OTHERS TO EXAMINE TREASURY BOOKS.
1867	1097	COMMISSIONER.	JOHN DANIELS, - ARRESTED BY N.S.W. POLICE FOR EMBEZZLEMENT COMMITTED IN S.A. - PAYMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES TO DET. WAGER OF SYDNEY POLICE.
1867	1098	—	<i>statements in case of Queen against Jesse Bray</i>
1867	1099	COMMISSIONER.	PENOLA. - MEMORIAL SEEKING TO HAVE POLICE PADDOCK OF 50 ACRES SUB-DIVIDED AND SOLD FOR BUILDING SITES. - GRANTED WITH 10 ACRES RETAINED FOR POLICE PURPOSES.
1867	1102	W. WILLIAMS OF CHESTER, ENGLAND.	ANN CLOAK NEICE OF WRITER AND ORPHAN - LEFT ENGLAND AS A GIRL UNDER THE CONTROL OF ONE DANIEL SANDS, EXECUTOR OF HER PARENT'S ESTATE. - NOT HEARD OF AND CONCERN FOR HER WELL BEING. INQUIRIES BY DETECTIVES AND NON CO-OPERATION OF SANDS. - FOUND TO BE IMBECELIC AND LIVING IN POOR CONDITIONS WITH SANDS AND HIS FAMILY. - A POIGNANT ACCOUNT.
1867	1112	W. SEARCY, CHIEF INSPECTOR.	ADELAIDE POLICE BARRACKS - GAS METER OUT OF ORDER - GAS ESCAPING.
1867	1117	W. SEARCY, CHIEF INSPECTOR.	POLICE BARRACKS - REPAIRS REQUIRED TO STANDPIPE FOR FIRE HOSE.
1867	1118	ADELAIDE CITY COUNCIL.	REFERRING COMPLAINTS OF DISGRACEFUL CONDUCT BY PROSTITUTES AND OTHERS IN VICINITY OF LIGHT SQUARE AND MORPHETT STS. - POLICE REPORT RE.
1867	1120	COMMISSIONER.	PORT ELLIOT PS. - PAYMENT OF ACCOUNT INCURRED

BY TROOPER CAMPBELL.

1867 1121 T. DOBBS, PC. HINDMARSH PS - GAS LAMPS NOT LIGHTING.

1867 1122 BANK OF AUSTRALASIA. LARGE SUM OF MONEY BEING SENT FOR WAGES TO MOONTA MINE.

1867 1127 R. J. STUCKEY LETTER TO MOUNT FREELING POLICE ACCUSING THEM OF IMPROPRIETY IN RELATION TO PAYMENT FOR WILD DOG SCALPS - JOINT REPLY OF TROOPERS AYLIFFE AND WHITBREAD BY LETTER. - THEIR REPLY DEEMED TO BE OFFENSIVE BY THE COMMISSIONER, BOTH TRANSFERRED.

1867 1129 F. DROUGHT PT. PORT WAKEFIELD. - NEWSPAPER REPORT OF A POLICE TROOPER FIGHTING WITH A DRUNKEN MAN. - EXPLANATION BY DROUGHT HE WAS EJECTING AN INTOXICATED MAN FROM THE STATION PREMISES WHO WAS REFUSING TO LEAVE.

1867 1130 G. BARTLETT, PT. CLARENDON PS - ADVISING OF TENDER FOR SUPPLY AND ERECTION OF CELL BUNK.

1867 1133. COMMISSIONER. GUMERACHA PS - ONE TROOPER WITHDRAWN DUE TO ASSISTANCE BY MT. PLEASANT POLICE.

1867 1134 COMMISSIONER. HIS COMMENTS ON INDISCRETIONS OF DETECTIVES, PARTICULARLY DET. CONSTABLE SPINKS FOR ANNOYING THE 'KEPT' WOMEN. HIS OBSERVATIONS ON THE PROFESSION OF DETECTIVE AND THE STANDARDS TO BE OBSERVED.

1867 1140 W. BROWNE, SGT. PORT ADELAIDE - RIOTOUS MOB OF SAILORS IN NILE STREET WITH KNIVES DRAWN. - POLICE REQUIRED TO USE THEIR BATONS, AND TWO BROKEN. - NINE SAILORS ARRESTED.

1867 1152 VARIOUS WINNINIE DISTRICT. - NEWSPAPER REPORT OF A PUBLIC MEEETING CRITICIZING INACTIVITY OF POLICE. - VISIT OF INSPECTOR READ TO WINNINIE AND HIS CRITICISM OF THE LACK OF ACTION BY TROOPER O'REILLY IN RESPONDING TO NATIVE OUTRAGES. - PATROL BY INSPECTOR READ AND 8 TROOPERS FROM OUTALPA TO LAKE CHARLES AND THE ARREST OF NOTORIOUS LAKE HOPE NATIVES, 'POMPEY' AND 'BOBBY.' - ESCAPE OF POMPEY FROM WINNINIE PS. - TRANSFER OF TROOPER O'REILLEY.

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