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BLANCHETOWN PS - REQUEST FOR FENCING OF STATION.

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HIS INSTRUCTION TO METROPOLITAN POLICE THAT IN ALL CASES BEING HANDLED BY DETECTIVES RELEVANT INFORMATION RESPECTING THE INQUIRY IS TO BE SENT TO AND CONFINED TO THE DETECTIVE BRANCH ONLY.

BLINMAN PS - DESTRUCTION BY FIRE DEBNAY AND WOODFORDS' STATION BUILDING, PROBABLY BY NATIVES. QUERY WHY COMMISSIONER WAS NOT ADVISED WHEN PRESS WAS.

COPPERAMANNA PS - ABORIGINE 'TILENNA' @ THE FRENCHMAN ARRESTED BY PT RAYMOND FOR THE MURDER OF CHARLES NEWMAN ON 8-12-1868 AT PERIYUNDA. PRISONER ESCORTED TO BLINMAN BUT DISCHARGED DUE TO WANT OF EVIDENCE.

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1868 1366 COMMISSIONER. ROBE - PROPOSED USE OF PRISONERS FROM GAOL TO ERECT STONE FENCE AROUND THE POLICE PADDOCK REQUIRING POLICE SUPERVISION OF THE PRISONERS. OBJECTION BY INSPECTOR HUNT FOR POLICE TO BE USED AS CUSTODIANS.

1868 1369 I. FAIRY. TRURO. FOREMAN OF JURY, COMMENTING ON AN ANONYMOUS LETTER TO THE COMMISSIONER RE PT. JONES'S ALLEGED INHUMANE TREATMENT OF A PRISONER. REFUTED BY HIM.

1868 1371 B. HUNT, INSPECTOR. PENOLA. REQUISITION FOR CUPBOARD.

1868 1383 T. RICHARDS, PT. FOWLER'S BAY. REQUISITION FOR FURNITURE ETC.

1868 1390 A. LAWRENCE PT. NORMANVILLE. ALLEGED KILLING OF A NATIVE BOY BY ANOTHER NATIVE. STORY ORIGINATED FROM 8 YEAR OLD BOY. EXTENSIVE ENQUIRIES DISCOUNTED THE ALLEGATION. REFERENCE TO NATIVES IN THE DISTRICT AND EDMOND'S BREWERY.

1868 1393 T. RICHARDS, PT. FOWLER'S BAY. COMPLETION OF COURTROOM AT.

1868 1400 W. G. STRETTON, PT. WALLAROO. RESPONDING TO COMMISSIONER'S QUERY WHETHER HE WAS ORDERED TO ACT AS CLERK OF COURT BY THE MAGISTRATE VIDE NEWSPAPER REPORT.

1868 1403 T. KEEGAN, DETECTIVE SEEKING TO RETAIN FIVE POUNDS FOUND BY HIM BURIED IN YARD OF BROTHEL RECENTLY OCCUPIED BY MARIA WELFORD, TRIED FOR LARCENY FROM THE PERSON. MONEY PAID INTO TREASURY.

1868 1404 J. W. BEE, INSPECTOR. ADELAIDE PS. REPAIRS TO STATION.

1868 1413 B. BESLEY, CORPORAL. MT. GAMBIER. REQUEST FOR THE BUILDING OF A NEW POLICE STATION AND SPECIFYING EXISTING INADEQUACIES, INCLUDING CELLS AND STABLES.

1868 1417 CHIEF SECRETARY. APPROVING PURCHASE OF AN EXPRESS WAGON AT A COST OF 40 POUNDS.

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1868 1430 B. HUNT, INSPECTOR. ROBE - ALLEGED NON PAYMENT OF FINE BY MARTIN SNELL.

1868 1432 T. KEEGAN, DETECTIVE CONSTABLE. APPLICATION FOR PROMOTION.

1868 1438 COMMISSIONER. NORMANVILLE. ILL TREATMENT OF CHILD LEFT IN CARE OF A MRS GIBBS. CRITICISM OF PT. LAWRENCE ALLEGING HE HAS LOST THE CONFIDENCE OF THE LOCALS AND COMMISSIONERS REBUKE FOR HIS WRITING DIRECT TO HIM.

1868 1439 C. A. GAIDNER. ALLEGING ILL TREATMENT OF A HORSE BY A WALKERVILLE CARTER.

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RIVERTON - REPORT THAT TROOPERS THERE FREQUENT HOTELS - REFUTED. PT. MOLLOY A TEETOTALLER ETC. - BELIEVED MALICIOUS AND FALSE REPORT EMANATING FROM D McCAB A FORMER DISMISSED CLERK OF RIVERTON COURT.

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