

DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE HISTORY OF HUNTER'S RIVER

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GOVERNOR KING TO LIEUT.-COLONEL PATERSON (King Papers.)

Sydney, 8th June, 1801

Dear Sir,

It being my intention to send the Lady Nelson to survey and examine Hunter's River, and the Service not permitting me to be absent from this settlement, I am much gratified by your offer of going in that vessel, and making such observations as may be of public benefit to this colony.

I have directed Lieut. Grant to accommodate you in the best manner the brig will allow of, and to give you such assistance as you may require.

I enclose you a copy of my orders to Lieut. Grant, together with the object of inquiry I wish to be informed of respecting that place, [the enclosures were copies of instructions to Lieut. Grant, post, p. 390, and Governor King's memorandum, post, p. 391.] and I have to request your information on those points on your return to this place.

I am, &c.,

PHILIP GIDLEY KING