

23. Reel 6043; 4/1728, pp. 251-3
1813, October 25
Letter from Lieutenant Skottowe
re shipments of coal and pine planks
from Newcastle; visit of
“Lady Nelson”; etc

Newcastle 25th Oct 1813

Sir

Inclosed you have for the information of His Excellency the Governor Bill of Lading for the Cargo of the Estremina consisting of Coals & Pine Plank – I have not yet received a raft of fresh Cedar down the river, have not therefore sent any this trip, but as I look for it every day shall have a Cargo ready by her return – The want of necessary implements much retards us in the procuring of this article but as I herewith inclose a demand & the Store keeper proceeds to Sydney to receive Instructions relative to his Duty if allowed, he can point out the necessaries particularly that are wanting –

You will also receive inclosed a receipt for Prisoners & a return of several whose fines to this Settlement have expired & of those going on Pass – in this place, it may be proper to answer your remark, with respect to a Prisoner of the name of Devlyn being on pass without His Excellency being approved of the same – He has been living with me some time as a Servant & I sent him up for the purpose of purchasing me some Wheat & other necessaries, with permission to take a few days to collect some Money that was due to himself but I shall take care not to give cause of offence in the like again –

H. Majesty’s Brig Lady Nelson arrived here on Saturday Evening, on her way to Norfolk destitute of [] having been driven back from the Eastward by strong prevailing N.E. Winds – I understand the Master makes a report to His Excellency – I enclose his demand for the Governors information -

I remain

Sir

Your ob. Serv.

T.J. Skottowe

Mr J.T. Campbell