of the party carried away to Port Jackson in craft of various sizes. The first nineteen of these vessels were engaged in conveying the coal to the boats, were attacked by the aborigines, who succeeded in capturing one of them—the brig "Anna Josepha." It was apparently the intention of Governor Hunter to send Lieutenant Shortland on a surveying tour along the northern coast with instructions to pay special attention to the Coal or Hunter River; but this was abandoned, and nothing of moment occurred until several miners presented themselves at the port and worked the coal with local labour, so that the schooner may be laden in 12 hours."