

**TESTIMONIAL TO JAMES MACARTHUR  
ESQ., J.P.**

The following Address and Reply have been handed to us for publication :—

Sir,—We are deputed by a number of our fellow colonists, to present to you this service of plate, and are requested to beg your acceptance of it, as some acknowledgement on our part of the claim you have upon the gratitude of the colony, for the firmness with which you maintained, in your place as member of the Legislative Council, during the year 1842, what we conceive to be the true principles to be observed in the administration of the Crown Lands, and the appropriation of the revenue therefrom derived, together with your strenuous and successful opposition to the "Police and Public Works Bill," introduced at that time by the Government, and your exertions to obtain for the city of Sydney some endowment in the passing of the "Corporation Act."

We do not think it necessary to advert to the various causes of delay that have prevented our having the satisfaction of offering you this tribute of our feeling at an earlier period; but we trust it will not be less acceptable to you on this account, as it may serve to testify, that we still cherish those sentiments expressed at the public meeting of 1842, which have, in fact, only been strengthened by our being further convinced, from experience, of the utter inapplicability to this colony of any system of local government, founded upon the principle of the Police and Public Works Bill then rejected by the Council.

**THOMAS BROUGHTON,**  
Mayor.

**H. F. O'DONNELL,  
JAMES BYRNES,  
N. PAYTEN,  
JAMES PYE,  
JOHN HAMILTON.**

Parramatta, January 12, 1847.

Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen.—

I thank you sincerely for the handsome testimonial you have, in so kind a manner, presented to me. I am deeply sensible of the flattering terms in which you have expressed your opinion of my conduct, as a member of the late Legislative Council. This mark of the approbation of a numerous and influential portion of my fellow-colonists would, at any time, have been most pleasing and acceptable; and the circumstances under which it is now conferred upon me, greatly enhance it in my estimation.

More than four years have elapsed since the discussions, in the late Council, to which you more particularly advert. Upon a calm retrospect of the course I then felt it right to pursue, I can perceive little that I should now desire to alter. Whilst there can be no doubt as to the advantage of establishing throughout the colony, at the earliest possible period, some well devised system for the conduct of local affairs, time and experience have but the more strongly impressed me with the impracticability of bringing into general operation the District Councils, as intended by the provisions of the Constitutional Act, which in substance are similar to those of the obnoxious Police and Public Works Bill.

With regard to the question—of all others the most important at this juncture—the administration of the Crown Lands of the Colony—I have from the first held the rising of the minimum price, above five shillings (5s.) the acre, to be a fatal error. Its consequences have, in my opinion, been most pernicious. It has been the origin of evils and abuses in the squatting system, which were before unknown in this colony. It has destroyed the Land Revenue, and put a stop to immigration. It has caused dispersion instead of concentration. It has prevented the introduction and beneficial employment, both of capital and labour, and checked the development of the resources of the country.

Until the upset price of the Crown Lands is lowered to a fair standard, and the revenue, arising therefrom, placed under the control of the local legislature, I see no prospect of a satisfactory settlement of this much agitated question.

It is highly gratifying to me, gentlemen, that in 1847, as in 1842, there should prevail between us a like coincidence of sentiment on these important points of colo-

as in 1842, there should prevail between us a like coincidence of sentiment on these important points of colonial policy. You have been pleased to honor me with a lasting memorial of this coincidence. As such, gentlemen, I shall always look upon it with peculiar satisfaction, and prize it the more, as the record of your kindness.

**JAMES MACARTHUR.**

Parramatta, Jan. 12, 1847.  
The Right Worshipful Thomas Broughton, Esq., Mayor of Sydney, and the other gentlemen subscribing.

**AGRICULTURE.**—We call the particular attention of our readers, especially the small farmers, to the extracts from American papers relative to agriculture in the United States, which are occasionally appearing in the *Herald*. Practical men will find a great many useful hints, particularly with reference to the culture of maize.

\* In 1843 forty-seven vessels sailed for England, and out of these wool formed the principal portion of forty cargoes. In 1844, forty-five vessels sailed, forty of which were chiefly laden with wool; and out of forty-five, in 1845, thirty-eight may be reckoned as wool ships.

**COMMITTALS.**—Henry M'Gee, late boots and waiter at the Royal Hotel, George-street, was yesterday sent to gaol for fourteen days, for breaking his agreement as a weekly servant. John Terry Hughes was also committed to take his trial for stealing an order for £5 12s. 6d., from Daniel Shea, a lawyer; the evidence showed that Shea originally got the order from Hughes on an agent at Illawarra named Haslam; that Shea had presented it to Haslam, who demurred paying it, as he suspected Shea had been concerned in lodging an information before the Illawarra Bench, against Hughes's man, for cutting timber on government ground. Shea came to Sydney on Monday last, and presented the order to Hughes, who put it in his pocket and told him he would not return it. The defence was, that Shea gave the order back, as it was of no value to him. The Bench allowed the defendant bail in £80, with two sureties in £40 each.

**REWARD OF A CONDITIONAL PARDON.**—It having been represented to the Government that on the 14th ultimo, an armed bushranger stole from the overseer of W. C. Wentworth, Esq., a brown pony, saddle, and bridle, and afterwards robbed his head station on the Namoy River, called Barbargate; His Excellency the Governor has directed it to be notified, that if any prisoner of the Crown shall give such information as may lead to the conviction of the offender, application will be made to her Majesty for the allowance of a conditional pardon to such prisoner of the Crown. Mr. W. C. Wentworth has also offered a reward of £20 for the apprehension and conviction of the offender.

**CONDITIONAL PARDONS.**—His Excellency the Governor has directed it to be notified that her Majesty has been graciously pleased to authorise the issue of conditional pardons to the undermentioned individuals, to take effect in all parts of the world, except in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland:—Arm-

parts of the world, except in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland:—Armstrong Anderson, *Isabella* 2; Samuel Andrews, *Earl Spencer*; John Adams, *Prince Regent*; George Aylward, *Lady Feversham*; James Aylward, *John* 2; Edward Andrews, *General Stuart*; Samuel Ashcroft, *Ocean* 3; George Bowles, *Andromeda*; Robert Brown, *K. S. Forbes*; Thomas Bate, *Exmouth*; William Bush, *Malabar* 1; Walter Baker, *Dunvegan Castle* 1; George Bennett, *Norfolk* 2; Benjamin Barker, *Midas*; Henry Bursell, *Batavia*; John Francis Bouterd, *Hooghley* 4; Thomas Blundell, *Albion* 2; Nicholas Bullock, *Mangles* 3; Joseph Barker, *alias Knight, Fairlie*. Thomas Clawson, *Camden* 1; John Connell, *Edward* 2; Benjamin Cartwright, *Florentia* 1; John Cullough, *Governor Ready*; Patrick Craven, *Edward* 2; William Champkin, *Mermaid*; William Cain, *Lord Melville* 2; Charles Chapman, *K. S. Forbes*; Patrick Caffrey or Kelly, *Asia* 4; Thomas Cooper, *Prince Regent* 4; Patrick Campbell, *Waterloo*. John Dunross, *Hooghley* 2; Bligh Doubleday, *Sarah*; John Davis, *Royal Admiral*; Miles Dooling, *Larkins* 2; John Daniel, *Malabar* 1; Isaac Dickinson, *Mary* 2; James Dogherty, *Ann and Amelia*. George Edwards, *Dunvegan Castle* 1; Thomas Eason, *Mermaid*; James Edgelry, *K. S. Forbes*; Isaac Earle, *Adrian*; Benjamin, *alias Bernard Fox, Andromeda*; Moses Fonseca, *Mangles* 1; William Farley, *Burrell* 1; Thomas Fingleon, *alias Power, Edward*. Henry Gibb, *Royal Admiral*; William Grey, *Lady Harewood*; George Gibbs, *Mermaid*; Daniel Gannon, *Guildford* 7; Samuel Griffiths, *Hadlow* 1; Richard Greenhill, *Lord Melville* 2; John Gardiner, *Manlius*; George Gillham, *Layton*. Edward Higginbotham, *Edward* 2; Michael Harrison, *Vittoria*; John Albert, *Asia* 5; Thomas Hawkins, *Morley* 5; William Hawkins, *Lady Feversham*; Thomas Hassall, *Exmouth*; Richard Houghton, *Florentia* 2; John Hemmings, *Grenada* 2; Benjamin Holland, *Waterloo* 1; John Hancock, *St. Vincent* 2. William Jackson, *John* 2; Alexander Johnson, *Waterloo* 1; William Johnson, *Lady Feversham*; Arthur Jones, *Hooghley* 2; Stephen Jones, *Mariner* 1; Thomas Jones, *Asia* 10. John Kelly, *Edward* 2; Robert Kelly, *Isabella* 1; Michael Kenny, *Edward*. Patrick Leahy, *Governor Ready*; Patrick Linnaghan, *Forth* 1; William Lewcroft, *Lady Harewood*; Richard Lowe, *Prince Regent* 4; Hugh Lougherry, *Medina*. Daniel M'Cullum, *John* 2; Patrick M'Aneny, *Morley* 4; Hugh M'Farlane, *John* 2; William M'Namara, *Andromeda*; John Mannell, *Lady Harewood* 1; Timothy Mahony, *Boync*; George Marshall, *Eliza* 2; Thomas, *alias Francis, Montgomery, Hercules* 3; William Moran, *Edward* 2; Frederick Morgan, *Marquis of Hastings* 1; George Murray, *Recovery* 2. Henry Nobes, *Norfolk* 2. Timothy Potter, *Lord Melville* 2; Richard Palmer, *Burrell*; Patrick Phelan, *Ferguson*; Henry Pickles, *K. S. Forbes*; John Portlock, *Mermaid*; Michael Prier, *Edward*. John Quin, *Phoenix* 3. Thomas Radford, *Sesostris*; Thomas Rawlins, *Dunvegan Castle* 1; George Read, *Waterloo* 1; Samuel Reynolds, *Shipley* 2; James Roach, *Andromeda* 1; Thomas Rose, *alias Quinley, Marquis of Huntley* 3; William Rudd, *Adrian*. William Saville, *Lady Hare-*

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**APPOINTMENT.**—His Excellency the Governor has appointed Louis Hope, Esq., of Ewrimbola, Molong, to be a magistrate of the territory and its dependencies.

**PORT PHILLIP SAVINGS' BANK.**—The Rev. John Joseph Therry has been appointed Trustee of this Institution, in the room of the Rev. P. B. Geoghegan, resigned.

**STEALING FROM A DWELLING-HOUSE.**—Between Monday night and the morning of Tuesday last, an entrance was effected into the premises of Mr. S. A. Bryant, at Newtown, when wearing apparel, bed and baby linen, with other articles to the value of £3, were carried off.

**GOULBURN.**—The Court of Petty Sessions at Goulburn has appointed Mr. William Hunt to be bailiff of the said Court.

We are requested by Mr. W. G. Moore to call the attention of the public to his sale of Furniture and the Stock-in-Trade of a tailor, which he will sell without reserve at the residence of Mr. Fitzgerald, George-street, one door from Liverpool-street. — *Commenced.*