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NORFOLK ISLAND

✓ 1 Garrison order book - 96th Regiment 6 April 1847 - 9 Mar. 1848

Memoranda of orders: for example rations for a 'detail' on escort duty; a regimental widow, having remarried, to be taken off the rations list; transport of convicts to stations in V.D.L. and to and from Norfolk Island; conveyance needed, such as a passage to the Coal Mines for a detail of the XIth Infantry by the steamer Derwent; embarkation of invalids for home; detachment withdrawn from Macquarie Harbour to join the detachment at Port Arthur; appointments, promotions and pensions

(1 folio vol., bound paper boards. (some pages loose))

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2 Norfolk Island Journal 1855 - 1856

A daily record kept by Mr. [T.S.] Stewart the officer left in charge of Norfolk Island after the convict station was transferred and before the arrival of the Pitcairn Islanders, entitled: "No.1 Norfolk Island Journal from 7 May 1855 - 31 January 1856".

This journal was written in great detail and records the daily life of the caretakers from the departure of Mr. Gaynor and part of the guard by the Franklin and the constables, Mr. & Mrs. Walker and family and others by the Southern Cross. Stewart records the poor state of stores, buildings, furniture and fences left, the daily employment of the remaining men, his problems over discipline and his relationship with the constables etc., especially sub-constable Daniel Farrell, and constables ~~Rogers and Waterson~~ and Rogers, the over of stock, killing sheep (1000 were to be slaughtered while in good condition) and boiling the meat for fat, the problem of drying sheepskins, the difficulty of keeping gardens and crops in a good state for the Pitcairners - he feared that the sweet potatoes might become extinct if not attended to, the Sunday divine service and attendance at it, the passing of ships, weather, fishing for salmon, etc.

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