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NSW COLONIAL SECRETARY'S IN LETTERS

INDEX 1826~1896



Based on the late Joan Reese's "Convicts & Others" Index 1826-1894
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Joan at State Records, The Rocks

I am delighted to announce that the publication of the 2nd edition of this index in a field-searchable format on USB and CD-ROM is now available. The index now contains 204,608 entries including additions to some of the early periods as well as 7,965 entries added for the 1896 year. Those additional entries include some Norfolk Island convict records in the 1838-1842 period; and addition of 264 entries in the 1848-1853 period related to the earlier immigration deposits under the Remittance Regulations which began late in 1848. As well as deposits in NSW, many of those deposits were made in the Port Phillip district. The majority of these records contain much more detail than found in the NSW Immigration Deposit Journals which began in 1853. For ease of searching for these particular records, R.R. for Remittance Regulations is noted in the Other Information field.

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| In Letter Period | Subject | Name | TOTAL | Comment |
| 1826-1831 | 69 | 16,009 | 16,078 | +1 entry |
| 1832-1837 | 212 | 15,088 | 15,300 | +30 entries |
| 1838-1842 | 468 | 14,091 | 14,559 | +72 entries |
| 1843-1847 | 313 | 15,485 | 15,798 | +3 entries |
| 1848-1853 | 480 | 16,540 | 17,020 | +264 entries |
| 1854-1860 | 580 | 14,628 | 15,208 | +2 entries |
| 1861-1867 | 451 | 16,267 | 16,718 | +1 entry |
| 1868-1872 | 615 | 19,377 | 19,992 | +324 entries |
| 1873-1877 | 580 | 18,207 | 18,787 | +7 entries |
| 1878-1888 | 1,201 | 18,865 | 20,066 | -25 duplicate entries |
| 1889-1894 | 968 | 18,081 | 19,049 | +160 entries |
| 1894 extra | 153 | 1,924 | 2,077 | Incl 1 st Edition CD/USB |
| 1895 | 695 | 5,296 | 5,991 | Incl 1 st Ed; +18 2 nd Ed |
| 1896 | 587 | 7,378 | 7,965 | Added this Edition |
| Total 1826-1896: | 7,372 | 197,236 | 204,608 | |

- There are records relating to aborigines; military; free immigrants; asylum admissions; deaths; children being placed in both Protestant and Roman Catholic orphan schools; naturalization applications; settlers' applications for migration of relatives including the wives and families of convicts or ex-convicts. There are also many local government references; exhibitions both within Australia and overseas, i.e. Chicago Exhibition and even references relating to other Australian colonies. 1887 and 1888 were times of high unemployment and many people applied for free rail passes to country areas where they hoped to find work. There are also lists of those recipients of bravery awards.
- Where the contents of the shelf boxes have been microfilmed, the reel numbers have been added in a separate field.
- The index is fully searchable by most fields or a combination of fields OR by **★Full Search** which searches most fields in one search.
- Compatible up to and including Microsoft Windows 11.
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