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TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS

## ARRIVAL & RECEPTION OF HIS EXCELLENCY

**SIR G. F. BOWEN,**  
FIRST GOVERNOR OF QUEENSLAND.

THE great event of our history stands recorded. A new epoch in the annals of Australia has come to pass; "our era" has commenced; and the delays and disappointments of the past are amply compensated for by the triumphant successes of the present.

We have, as a free and independent people, welcomed amongst us the first representative of royalty to whom the task of governing our young State has been allotted, and never was welcome given with heartier zest.

December is an eventful month with us.

It was on the 2nd December, 1823, that Mr Oxley entered our noble river, and gave to it the appellation it now bears.

It was on the 7th December, 1842, that the first sale of Moreton Bay lands in Sydney gave token of the birth of this locality as a free settlement; and the 10th will henceforth be observed as the "anniversary" of "separation day" of this colony.

We have been taunted and twitted about our juvenescence - our limited revenue, our scanty population, and our consequent inability to govern ourselves, but all such taunts may now be passed heedlessly by.

We have attained the object of our wishes - the goal of our long-cherished hopes, and it will be for us to show that, although young, we are vigorous, although wealthy, we are careful; and that, although few in comparison with other colonies, we may yet become many by attracting the peasantry of Great Britain to our shores.

But we will leave the consideration of all that is inimical and treat of that which is joyous, since this is not the period for entering into time-worn arguments with unreasoning and unscrupulous opponents.

The Governor is here, and it is our duty as faithful chroniclers, to relate the particulars of his coming.

Yesterday week was the first day upon which the arrival of the Cordelia was looked out for, and, upon that account, a series of holidays, lasting over four days, was commenced.

Steamers went down to the bay - visitors poured in from the country, and bunting by day, and fireworks by night, gave a glimmering idea of the enthusiasm held in check until the actual landing.

Some one or more of the river steamers (which had been kindly placed at the disposal of the Reception Committees by the owners), went down to the bay each day, up to Thursday, expecting to hear or see something of the Cordelia, but it was on Wednesday that the strongest muster of people took place - the Breadalbane, Brisbane, Bremer, and Hawk being each thronged with visitors, save and except the first-mentioned, which only car-

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ried a comparative few on account of her having been selected to convey his Excellency and Lady Bowen up the river.

Much of the disappointment thus experienced might have been obviated, however, if a little more faith had been placed in the messenger stationed at Sandgate, and if the people had repressed their enthusiasm until the flag at the Government Resident's office was hoisted - it having been arranged that this signal should be made immediately on the receipt of news as to the arrival of the Cordelia in the bay.

All sorts of speculations were indulged in as to the cause of the delay, and the encomiums bestowed upon the sailing qualities of the Cordelia were more unflattering than just.

Our local contemporary made the brilliant suggestion that His Excellency might have been carried off into the backwoods by Mr Walsh and his troop of "alligators" - a joke the excruciating effect of which will doubtless be fully appreciated by His Excellency, should he ever happen to see it.

The cause of the delay was generally, however, ascribed to the prevalence of adverse winds, and the sequel has proved this conjecture to be correct; and another reason was that Capt. Vernon wished to avoid making "bad weather" as much as possible, out of consideration to Lady Bowen.

On Friday evening, the troopers that had been upon the look-out at Sandgate rode with "hot haste" into the town and announced that the Cordelia was coming across the bay, and that there could be no mistake about it, as she had fired a gun by way of signal.

Flags were everywhere hoisted as the glad intelligence spread like wildfire through the city, and other demonstrations of joy were also made.

Arrangements were immediately effected by the Committee for bringing up His Excellency in the Breadalbane on the following morning, and also, for sending down the Bremer and Hawk, the other river steamers not being available.

## DOWN TO THE BAY

At half-past 9 o'clock on Saturday morning, the Breadalbane started for the Bay, having on board Mr Herbert (the Colonial Secretary), Captain Wickham, Mr Justice Lutwyche, Colonel Gray, Mr Pring (the Attorney-General elect), and several ladies and gentlemen - the latter being

principally connected with the Committee.

As the steamer proceeded down the river, the band on board playing enlivening strains, preparations for the day were everywhere observable on the banks - the director of the Botanic Gardens being especially busy, at the temporary landing place where His Excellency was to disembark.

On arriving at the mouth of the river, the Cordelia was distinctly discernible at the anchorage, and instantly became an object of attraction for all on board - the interest heightening as the progress of the steamer revealed the perfect outline of the snug little sloop.

On coming abreast of the Cordelia, the Customs boat left the Breadalbane with Mr Herbert and Captain Wickham, who went on board to welcome His Excellency.

The Breadalbane then rounded the stern of the Cordelia, bringing up on her lee side, where she was rapidly made fast by the nimble seamen belonging to that vessel.

## ON BOARD THE CORDELIA - FIRST SIGHT OF SIR GEORGE

After having moored alongside, Capt. Wickham appeared at the gangway and said that the commander of the vessel would be happy to see anyone who wished to come on board.

The invitation was no sooner given than accepted by the majority of the Breadalbane's passengers, and we had scarcely reached the deck of the Cordelia when we were informed that His Excellency was desirous of being introduced to every one on board.

Mr Henry Buckley, who had previously been presented to His Excellency by Mr A. O. Moriarty, the acting Private Secretary, acted as master of the ceremonies, and all who came forward had the honor of shaking hands with Sir George.

It became evident in the course of the improvised levee, that His Excellency had not failed to obtain information relative to the place previous to his arrival, for many of those who were introduced to him had already become known to him both by name and reputation.

Her Ladyship sat apart from the crowd, watching the proceedings with evident interest.

At any other time, the ship and her officers might have reasonably anticipated that a word of comment would be bestowed upon them, but, interesting as a man-of-war may be to unaccustomed eyes, generally speaking, there were two figures on the deck of the Cordelia that engrossed the interest, and excited the attention of the Queenslanders.

The one was the tall and portly form of Sir George Bowen, and the other the slender, but graceful, figure of his accomplished lady.

In the happy face and smiling countenance of His Excellency was to be recognised the peaceful termination of all our struggles for independence - the assurance of better days to come, and the

hope of a prosperous future.

Her Ladyship chatted pleasantly with those about her, and appeared to regard with interest those who were introduced to the Governor.

## THE DISEMBARKATION

After having been on board some fifteen minutes the passengers by the Breadalbane left the ship and returned to the steamer, and soon after the boatswain's whistle piped all hands to man the yards.

Lady Bowen was then handed on to the Breadalbane, and was soon followed by His Excellency, the marines presenting arms and those on board the river steamer giving him a hearty cheer.

The guard of honour followed His Excellency on board the Breadalbane, and the ropes having been cast off, the steamer left the ship's side, and shaped her course for the mouth of the river.

As she moved away, the Cordelia fired a salute of seventeen guns, and the immigrant ship Shackamaxon also saluted His Excellency.

At the mouth of the river, the Bremer and Hawk were overtaken, and those on board cheered Sir George and his lady to their hearts' content.

The Customs station was decorated with flags and evergreens, and on the gable end of the boat-house were placed the words "Welcome", and certain devices composed of the arms used by the boatmen.

Off Bulimba, the yacht Lady Bowen owned by Mr Gaskarth was passed, bearing swiftly along under canvass, with the Greek flag flying at the peak.

Her Ladyship immediately recognised the compliment, and called the attention of His Excellency to the boat. Various compliments were paid to the vessel on her passage up, which were all noticed and acknowledged by His Excellency, but it was not until the arrival of the steamer at the Gardens, that the grand ex-

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pression of feeling was evinced. Upwards of 4000 people were congregated on the banks, notwithstanding the return to the country of several who had previously visited the town in expectation of the Governor's arrival, and the cheers that were given were worthy of any company of loyal Britishers all the world over.

## THE LANDING AND PROCESSION

His Excellency was received at the landing place by the Corporation and the members of the

Committee appointed to that office, and as he stepped on to the stage, a salute of twenty-one guns was fired.

Passing under the triumphal arch His Excellency and Lady Bowen entered the vice-regal carriage, accompanied by Mr Herbert, and Capt. Wickham, and a procession was formed to escort him to Government House.

Along the whole line of route His Excellency was cheered after the genuine English fashion, and the procession that followed was of creditable length and appearance.

The banners carried by the body of working men and cord-wainers were especially noticeable for their appropriateness and applicability to the occasion, and the flag adopted as the Queensland ensign was frequently to be seen along the line of the cortege.

## READING THE PROCLAMATION

Arrived at Government House, her Ladyship affectionately embraced and kissed her infant, who had previously arrived in the charge of the nurse, and who was now in waiting to welcome Her Ladyship to her new abode.

His Excellency and Her Ladyship then ascended to the balcony, where they were loudly cheered by the throng below, and soon afterwards His Excellency took the requisite oaths of office, which were administered by his Honour the Resident Judge.

The Queen's commission, appointing His Excellency Governor of Queensland, was then read by Mr Herbert from the balcony, which was immediately followed by the subjoined proclamation, read by Mr A. O. Moriarty, the acting Private Secretary:

By His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of the Colony of Queensland and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, etc., etc., etc.

Whereas Her Majesty has been graciously pleased, by letters patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland bearing date at Westminster, the sixth day of June, in the twenty-second year of her Majesty's reign, to separate from the Colony of New South Wales the Colony described in the said Letters Patent, and to erect the Same into a separate Colony, to be called the Colony of Queensland, and has further been pleased to constitute and appoint me, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George, to be Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief, in and over the said Colony of Queensland and its dependencies:

Now therefore, I, the Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief aforesaid do hereby proclaim and declare that I have this day taken the prescribed oaths before His Honour Alfred James Peter

Lutwyche, Esquire, Judge of the Supreme Court, and that I have accordingly assumed the said office of Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief.

Given under my hand and seal at Government House, Brisbane, this tenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty nine, and in the twenty-third year of Her Majesty's reign.  
(t.a.) G. F. Bowen

The reading of this document concluded the formal proceedings of the day, and His Excellency then came forward and said:

"Gentlemen, I thank you all for the warm and hearty reception you have this day given me, and I shall not fail to represent to our Sovereign the expression of loyalty which you this day manifested.

"I shall have the pleasure of seeing you again at the pavilion at 10 o'clock on Monday morning, and, 'til then, I bid you all Goodbye."

An enthusiastic outburst of cheers followed the delivery of these few words, and the large crowd quietly dispersed, leaving His Excellency to enjoy the peace and comfort of his own home, and the lovely scenery which his lady and himself had already frequently admired since their arrival.

#### MONDAY (Yesterday)

Yesterday morning, at 8 o'clock, the Queensland ensign was hoisted at the pavilion in the Botanic Gardens, under a salute of twenty-one guns, and amid the cheers of those who had assembled to witness the ceremony.

At ten o'clock, which was the hour appointed to receive the addresses, His Excellency arrived in his carriage, accompanied by Lady Bowen and the officers of his staff, and took up his position on the dais prepared for his reception.

At the back of the platform hung a banner bearing this inscription - "We hail, with triumphant joy, this Glorious Event - Our National Birth. Aid the infant State with Wise Legislation; let Industry - the mother of its existence - feed the flame of its vitality; and young Queensland will then become the Queen of Lands;" - and the large tent was tastefully decorated with the leaves of the native palm and other evergreens, and a variety of flags.

The band in attendance played a selection of enlivening airs.

The first address presented was that of the people of Queensland, as prepared by the General Committee. This was read by his Honour Mr Justice Lutwyche, and was as follows:

To His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Governor of Queensland. May it please your Excellency:

We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, have the honour to convey to your Excellency the congratulations of the inhabitants of Queensland on your arrival in the colony and to welcome your Excellency to your seat of Government.

Suffering as we have been from the evils consequent upon a distant legislature, which, however well disposed, could not, from the nature of the case, either understand or provide for our requirements with sufficient promptitude - we hail the advent of separation, and your Excellency's arrival, with feelings of heartfelt gratitude to our beloved Queen.

We desire to convey through you, her representative, our love and devotion to our sovereign.

We see in your Excellency's presence amongst us another instance of Her Majesty's earnest desire to promote the welfare and happiness of her subjects, and, keeping this steadily in view, it shall be our constant aim to prove ourselves worthy of the privileges ceded to us, and to render the colony of Queensland not alone prosperous and happy in itself, but at the same time worthy of its Queen and Mother Country.

We trust that you will have occasions to remember with unalloyed satisfaction, the years of your

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residence in the colony; and while congratulating ourselves that your Excellency is accompanied by Lady Bowen, we indulge in the hope that she may regard her sojourn amongst us with similar feelings.

His Excellency made the subjoined reply:

Gentlemen: I have received with gratification your cordial welcome and your loyal address.

I thank you with my whole heart for your good wishes, and for the assurance of your personal regard for myself and my family. Those good wishes and that personal regard we warmly return.

Like myself, Lady Bowen contemplates with unalloyed satisfaction, a residence of many years among you, in a country where the charm of the climate, and the beauty of the scenery vividly recall the land of her birth.

It will indeed be a pleasing and honourable duty for me to convey to the Queen, my august mistress, your loyal expressions of heartfelt gratitude, love, and devotion.

I know that our Sovereign will receive most graciously, and with cordial satisfaction the many proofs which I shall be able to lay before Her of your growing welfare and happiness.

And here, gentlemen, let me announce a fact which I know you will all hear with delight - Queensland, the name selected for the new colony, was entirely the happy thought and inspiration of Her Majesty herself.

Other designations had been suggested to Her; but the Queen spontaneously determined to confer Her own Royal Title on this new province of Her Empire.

It should assuredly then, be the constant aim of us all to show ourselves not undeserving of this signal mark of the favour and sympathy of our Sovereign, and (to quote your own well chosen phrase) "to render the Colony of Queensland not only prosperous and happy in itself, but at the same time worthy of its Queen and Mother Country."

In your Address (as in other addresses which have been presented on my arrival among you), your kindness has assigned to me many gifts and qualities that I only wish I could more confidently appropriate.

But it is only simple justice to attribute to me the most lively sympathy, and the most abiding interest in all that concerns the welfare of the great and rising colony in which the Queen has been graciously pleased to name me Her Majesty's first Representative.

Supported and strengthened by the Legislature and population, as I am confident, from the warmth of your greeting, that I shall be, it would

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**J. GOGAN.**

be unpardonable if I were ever to neglect the duties which I have undertaken to perform or ever to spare the best exertions of which I am capable towards promoting your happiness and prosperity.

I rejoice to witness around me the obvious progress alike of material industry, of mental activity, and of moral and physical well-being. Everything may be expected from such signs as these.

They are strong proofs to our Queen and countrymen at home, that the foundations of a mighty and flourishing province of the British Empire have already been laid in this part of Australia.

Gentlemen, the destiny of this colony will be henceforward planned, under Providence, in the hands of its own inhabitants, acting by means of their constitutional representatives in Parliament.

Your Legislature will be convoked at the earliest period consistent with the public convenience.

An arduous and responsible, but most important and interesting task awaits us - for the attainment of self-government is an epoch in the life of a State, resembling the attainment of his majority is the life of an individual.

This great portion of the earth - for Queensland embraces a territory more than equal in extent to the aggregate area of two of the principal monarchies of Europe - this great

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**R. MCLELLAND** takes PORTRAITS daily at his GALLERY, in Queen-street.

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**BLACKSMITH AND WHEELWRIGHT,**  
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portion of the earth, I say, begins its political life with noble principles of freedom, order, and prosperity.

I humbly pray that Almighty God may vouchsafe to direct our Councils, and that He may grant to all of us that moderation, wisdom, and courage necessary to preserve and extend these inestimable blessings, and to bend them down hereafter to our children's children.

The Mayor and Corporation next presented their address, which was read by the Town Clerk:

To his Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Governor of Queensland, etc, etc.

May it please your Excellency - We, the Mayor and aldermen of the city of Brisbane, would take the opportunity of your Excellency's arrival to express our affections and loyalty to the person and throne of our beloved Sovereign.

It is with no small degree of pride and pleasure that we welcome your Excellency as the first Governor of Queensland, to the future capital of this beautiful and rising province, and we sincerely trust that your Excellency may long be spared to exercise the august functions entrusted to you.

We feel that your Excellency's

arrival amongst us will materially tend towards the improvement and prosperity of this city, and that we shall have the benefit of your Excellency's experience in carrying out those public works, the execution of which will mainly rest with your Excellency's government.

That you Excellency and family may enjoy health and happiness in this fertile and richly gifted land, the youngest offspring of Great Britain is the sincere prayer of your Excellency's obedient servants.

His Excellency made a suitable reply, but by some unaccountable mistake, we have not been able to procure a copy of it.

A deputation representing the clergy of the Diocese of Brisbane, headed by the Rev. J. Mosely, addressed His Excellency as follows:

To his Excellency, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Governor of the colony of Queensland.

May it please your Excellency - We, the undersigned, clergymen of the United Church of England and Ireland, resident in the Diocese of Brisbane, beg leave to offer to your Excellency our most cordial congratulations on the safe arrival of yourself and Lady Bowen at your seat of Government in this our newly established colony of Queensland, and in so doing to humbly express our deep-felt and unalterable attachment to her most gracious Majesty the Queen our gratitude, not only for this signal mark of her favor, that she has been pleased to raise this portion of her dominions in the rank of a British colony, but especially that she has honored us by the nominations of your Excellency to reside amongst us as her first representative.

Believing that "righteousness exalteth a nation", we have a strong confidence that it will be your Excellency's endeavor, as long as you may dwell amongst us, to uphold religion and sound morals, and we sincerely trust that, when the time of your departure shall arrive, you may be able to look back upon your sojourn here with satisfaction and pleasure.

We are bold to anticipate that, in the annals of the colony of Queensland, the government of Sir George Bowen will be forever referred to as at once a beginning of prosperity and a cause for gratitude.

That the Lord's best blessing for the time present, and for eternity, may pass upon yourself, Lady Bowen, and all who are near and dear to you will ever be, as it now is, the prayer of your Excellency's humble and obedient servants.

His Excellency delivered the subjoined reply:

Gentlemen, I beg to return to the Clergymen of the Church of England and Ireland resident in the Diocese of Brisbane, my sincere and respectful thanks for the hearty welcome which they have accorded to me on my arrival in this colony.

A dutiful son of the University of Oxford, that old centre and stronghold of the English Church, I rejoice to find myself here amongst so many men formed by the same institutions and nurtured by the same influences.

I gladly remember, moreover, that many of the clergy now foremost in the ranks of the Colonial Church, were my own contemporaries at college. Among these I am proud to reckon my Right Reverend friend, our Diocese, Bishop Tufnell, to whose arrival among us I confidently look forward, as to the inauguration of a liberal, energetic, and enlightened direction of our commission in this colony.

Our gracious and beloved Sovereign will, I feel confident, receive with gratification the assurances which it will be my pleasing duty to convey to Her Majesty, of the affection attachment to her person and government which distinguishes her faithful subjects in his rich and beautiful province of her empire, on which she has spontaneously conferred her own Royal Title.

Gentlemen, you will find in me one who, if not as eminently fitted as your too partial kindness hopes, is, at least, cordially disposed to appreciate and encourage the efforts of the religious

communions of this country, to fulfil the ends of their formation by promoting the piety and virtue, by elevating the moral and intellectual character of the people, and by diffusing, through as wide a sphere as possible, the blessings of a sound and liberal education.

From no quarter with happier effect than from the various churches already established in this colony, can radiate over the whole surface of Queensland the advice and influences under which we shall continue to advance in the path of peaceful progress, and daily become, under the blessing of Providence, a more united prosperous and happy people.

May those churches and the pastors who guide and adorn them, be long favoured and blessed as the instruments of transmitting and extending the benefits which they have already conferred on the population; of kindling a yet higher love of virtue: of strengthening and deepening the influences of religion.

The address of the Cordwainers of Brisbane was next ready by Mr Thomas Gray:

To His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Knight of the Greek Order of St Michael and St George, Governor of Queensland, etc, May it please your Excellency,

#### WILLIAM KEITH,

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We the Cordwainers of Brisbane, in the Colony of Queensland, approach your Excellency with feelings of veneration and respect, not only as the Representative of our Sovereign Lady the Queen, for whom we retain the most devoted loyalty and attachment, but as the first Ruler of this our newborn colony.

We congratulate your Excellency upon your safe arrival and that of your Excellency's Lady, and respectfully assure you that your Excellency's person and family will have an abiding place in our affections, and that we shall never cease to uphold as loyal subjects the cause of good government and order.

We have as citizens the highest appreciation of the political privileges so graciously bestowed upon us, and hail your arrival as the advent of a new era in the history of this portion of Her Majesty's dominions, and anticipate that your rule will be productive of salutary results.

His Excellency replied in the following terms:

Gentlemen, I thank you in the name of the Queen for your cordial welcome, and for this loyal address which you have presented me.

I rejoice to perceive that the ancient and laudable custom of corporations or guilds of working men, is duly maintained and honored in this thoroughly English portion of the Empire.

We have all heard much of the division of labor, but experience teaches us that its true power lies in combination.

I feel confident that you will prove yourselves worthy of the disciples and imitators of those great assets of industry and commerce, the companies of the city of London, which have contributed as much to the riches and prosperity of our Mother Country.

Nor am I less confident that you will unite with me, and all the Queen's faithful subjects here, in one general combination to promote all that can further welfare and happiness of the people of this colony.

The deputation of the working classes then entered the pavilion at the head of a lengthy procession of that body, and accompanied by a band of music.

Their address, which was listened to with marked attention and honored with several expressive nods by His Excellency, was read by Mr. John Murray, who headed the deputation and was as follows:

To His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Knight Commander of the most distinguished order of St Michael and St George, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of the Colony of Queensland.

May it please your Excellency, We, the representatives of the working men of Brisbane, loyal subjects of the British Crown, would respectfully offer your Excellency our sincere congratulations on your safe arrival on these shores, as first Governor of Queensland. We feel thankful that a gracious Providence both brought your Excellency, Lady Bowen, and family, in safety to this, the land of our adoption.

We desire to record our gratitude to our illustrious Sovereign, Queen Victoria (with her Ministers) hath laid this young and rising community under the deepest and most lasting obligations.

When we reflect on the calm and deliberate attentions evinced by her Majesty's Government during this movement in the Northern District, which has eventually ended in separation from New South Wales - when we mark with unwearied assiduity the strict and impartial justice, the total disregard of all the sinister influences brought to bear on the struggle by the neighbouring colony - it affords another evidence of that liberal and enlightened policy which has characterised Her Majesty's reigns and under the shade of which the Anglo-Saxon race in this Southern Hemisphere may dwell contested and happy.

We now welcome your Excellency as the lawful representative of our Sovereign, and (first) Governor of Queensland.

We hail your arrival on our shores with the utmost satisfaction. We look on this day as one of the brightest in the existence of the young colony, and take it as an omen of good things to follow.

Starting into existence as another of that belt of colonies which at so distant day is yet destined to encircle this great Island Continent, there is much that necessarily remains to be done - developing the various resources of the colony, opening up the interior working out the problem of Responsible Government, cultivating literature, science, and the arts - in short, everything calculated to raise a virtuous population -

A happy band,  
To stand a wall of fire  
Around our much-loved land.

These are works that require clear heads, strong hands, and, above all, honest hearts: and even beheld through the softening medium of distance, if we spur onward, earnest and eager, full of such vivid inspirations, though great the struggle, yet glorious will be the end.

We now wish that your Excellency's connection with this new colony may be long and prosperous, tranquillity in your Government, and happiness is your personal and family relations.

His Excellency made the following reply:

Gentlemen, I have already received so many addresses since my arrival in this colony that it is difficult for me to vary the expression of my thanks for the loyal spirit in which they are all conceived towards our (gracious) and beloved Queen and for the kindly feeling which they all evince towards my family and myself.

Gentlemen - this work of self-government by a free people is, indeed, as you so well express it "a work requiring clear heads, strong hands, and above all, honest hearts".

It is easy to see that you fully understand and appreciate the privilege and I am confident that you will conscientiously perform the duty entrusted to you.

I perceive, gentlemen, that you characterise your address as proceeding from "working men".

I feel certain, however, that you do not mean by that phrase to imply that you belong to any separate class, whose feelings and interests are adverse to, or even distinct from, the feelings and interests of any other class of inhabitants of this colony.

In a new and free country, like that in which we are living, where there are no paid idlers or sinecurists. I repeat, every man, Governor, Judge, Magistrate, Clergy, and all - every man, is emphatically a "working man".

Let us then, unite cordially in advancing our common interests. Capital is powerless without labor, and labor is (unprofitable) without the aid of capital.

your zealous fellow-workman, in all that may tend to promote the happiness and welfare of the people of Queensland.

Colonel Gray then advanced as the representative of the Ipswich Committee, and read the address emanating from the people of their town as follows:

To his Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Knights, Governor-in-Chief of the Colony of Queensland, etc, etc.

The humble address of the inhabitants of Ipswich in public meeting assembled. May it please your Excellency, We, the inhabitants of the town of Ipswich, beg to congratulate your Excellency on your safe arrival

your Excellency that the people of Ipswich will always endeavour to strengthen your Excellency's government in matters tending to the welfare and advancement of the colony, and with a renewed expression of loyalty they wish your Excellency health and happiness.

His Excellency replied in the following terms:

Gentlemen, I thank you most cordially for your loyal address and for your hearty welcome.

I am gratified that you have chosen as your channel of communication with me, an officer of such highly distinguished services in three quarters of the globe - in India, in the Peninsula, and at Waterloo - as those of the gallant Colonel (Gray) whom I see before me. I have perfect confidence in your affectionate attachment to the person and government of the Queen, whose representative among you I have the honor to be.

Placed, as Ipswich is, at the head of the navigation of the rivers Brisbane and Bremer, and at the threshold, if I may so speak, of the vast pastoral districts of the interior, she must always occupy a prominent and important position in this colony.

It will be my pleasure, as well as my duty, to take a very early opportunity of visiting your town in person.

You allude in your address to your recent struggle for separation from New South Wales. In that struggle you are now victorious. In gracious compliance with your own wishes, the Queen has conferred upon you to the fullest extent, the privilege of local self-government.

Let all then, forget henceforward any feeling of ill-will engendered by the recent controversy, now happily terminated in your favour.

I wish these words to apply, not only to those who now hear me, but throughout the length and breadth of Queensland. If any inhabitant of this colony cherishes any lingering jealousy towards the colony of New South Wales, let him convert that jealousy into emulation. Let us all unite in a generous rivalry with the neighbouring provinces.

Let us emulate them in reverence for our religion, in loyalty to our Queen, in obedience to the laws, in energy, in enterprise - in a word, in all those qualities which have made the British Empire what it is.

Such are the arts which have enabled "us, the great English nation, to overrun the earth from one end of it to the other".

It is thus that we have spread our race and language over the North American Continent, from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

It is thus that we have conquered those Indian realms which eluded the grasp of Alexander.

It is thus, finally, that we are fast peopling our own Australia, that "Great Southern Land" which lay beyond the chart of Columbus.

I have now only to thank you, Gentlemen, once more, for the warm greeting which you have given me on my arrival among you, and to ensure you that you will always find me a most willing fellow-labourer, in all that may concern the interests of your flourishing town, to the development of the rich resources of this beautiful country and to the well-being and happiness of its people.

The Queensland Band of Hope, headed by their Secretary, Mr J. P. Smith, then advanced to the dais, to present their address, but his Excellency expressed his regret at not being able to receive it then, on account of his not having been furnished with a copy.

He intimated his willingness, however, to receive it on a future occasion, and recommended that it should be represented on Wednesday (tomorrow) morning at the levee.

Three hearty cheers were then enthusiastically given for His Excellency, and three for Lady Bowen, who, immediately thereafter, took their departure from the grounds.

## THE REGATTA

One attractive feature of the programme prepared by the committee

was the regatta, and as it was arranged that this should commence immediately after the presentation of the addresses, the crowd assembled on the bank of the river, and those who were so far favored made their way to the flag-ship, the steamer Breadalbane.

Arrived on board all the members of the committee adjourned to the cabin, where, in a few appropriate words, Mr Justice Lutwyche (as chairman) called attention to the gratuitous and valuable services rendered by the owners of the steamboats - Messrs. Towns & Co. (represented by Mr H Richards), the A.S.N Co (represented by Mr Webb), and Captain Boyland - in placing their boats at the disposal of their committee at

## CHARLES TRUNDLE CERTIFIED CUSTOM-HOUSE AGENT.

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DRAPER, HOSIER, HABERDASHER, SILK  
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Orders promptly attended to.

**Watches, Clocks, &c.,**  
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QUEEN-STREET, OPPOSITE THE GAOL.

**TEETH! TEETH!! TEETH!!!**

**DR. JORDAIN.**  
SOUTH-STREET, IPSWICH.  
OF the Firm of Eckwell and Co., London,  
Paris, Manchester, Birmingham, Glasgow,  
Liverpool, Melbourne, and Sydney, Members of  
the College of Dentistry, England, &c., &c.



**W. PAULEY,**  
CABINET-MAKER, UPHOLSTERER, &c.,  
GEORGE STREET, NORTH BRISBANE.

## PHOTOGRAPHS.

**R. MCLELLAND** takes PORTRAITS daily  
at his GALLERY, in Queen-street.

**A. CAMERON,**  
BLACKSMITH AND WHEELWRIGHT,  
QUEEN STREET, NORTH BRISBANE.

**KEEP & PARSONS,**  
WYNARD STREET, SYDNEY,  
IMPORTERS AND MANCHESTER WARE-  
HOUSEMEN.

**GOLDEN BOOT HOUSE,**  
QUEEN STREET, NORTH BRISBANE.  
**J. GOGAN.**

so much loss and inconvenience to themselves; and also to Captain Teulon, of the Shackamaxon, for the interest shown by him in dressing his vessel, and furthering the views of the committee. Mr S Smith proposed, and Dr Cannan seconded, the health of those gentlemen respectively, and suitable replies were made by Captain Boyland, and Captain Teulon, who were present.

We regret that we shall not be able to give, in this issue, anything like a report of the regatta. We must here content ourselves with the mere mention of the winning boats, and the promise of a fuller account on Thursday.

The winners were as follows: -  
First Race - Carry (the darkies)  
Second Race - Wanderer, L. Younger and R. Garcia  
Third Race - Little Nell, E. Norris  
Fourth Race - Carry (the darkies)  
Fifth Race - Wanderer, J. Murphy and J. Templeton  
Sixth Race - Carry, L. Younger  
Seventh race - Gig and dingy (won by the gig).

## ILLUMINATIONS AND FIREWORKS

We have just space to mention, by way of conclusion, that, notwithstanding the threatening and inclement aspect of the weather last evening, a partial illumination took place, and also a display of fireworks from the Windmill Hill, and in fact from every other portion of the town. But more of this in our next.

## QUEENSLAND.

### PUBLIC OPINION.

**Grocery and Oilman's Stores, Queen-street,  
North Brisbane.**

## JOHN BIRCH

**TAKES** this opportunity of returning his sincere thanks to the public in general for the liberal encouragement he has received for the last three years, and at the same time would inform them that he has made arrangements with some of the first-class houses in Sydney to have a constant supply of genuine articles, which he is determined to sell at the SMALLEST REMUNERATIVE PROFITS.

FLOUR, BRAN, CORN, POTATOES.

Wholesale and Retail.

**JOHN BIRCH,**

Queen-street.

### Auctioneer's Notice.

**FORTITUDE VALLEY.**

#### A. MARTIN

**BEGS** to announce that in the course of a few weeks he will commence business as AUCTIONEER, VALUER, HOUSE, LAND, and GENERAL AGENT, in FORTITUDE VALLEY, and trusts from his long experience of fifteen years in the above line, together with strict attention to business, and an immediate settlement of account sales, to merit a share of public support.

N.B.—Cash advanced on all descriptions of property sent in for sale.

### Leishardt Shoning Forge.

**THE** undersigned respectfully begs to inform the public that he has opened a Branch Establishment at TAROOMA, on the Dawson River, for SMITH WORK in general, and hopes by strict attention to business, and good workmanship to meet with a liberal support.

**CHARLES LAMOND,**

Blacksmith.  
N.B.—C. L. spares no expense in providing the best materials, and good Workmen; and authorizes WILLIAM BARNARD to receive and receipt on his behalf all accounts contracted at Tarooma.  
Gayndah, 21st November, 1859.

Without good government and good laws, impartially administered, and cheerfully obeyed, neither capital nor labor is safe.

These are old but they true and wise maxims.

The whole life of every active man in a free country, is a life of labor, and competition.

It is a life of competition with those who are running the same race, of struggle with circumstance, often of

in Queensland, and to express our continuous attachment to the person and government of her most gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, of whom your Excellency is the representative.

We view with great satisfaction the appointment of a gentleman of your Excellency's high character and varied attainments to the important office of our first Governor.

Your Excellency is doubtless aware that the inhabitants of Queensland

## BRISBANE POTTERY

**IS** now in full operation, A LARGE STOCK OF GLAZED GOODS on hand consisting of Milk, Bread, Salting, and Washing Pans, F'ers, Churns, Water Coolers, Baking Dishes, large Water Jug, Butter and Sugar Pots, Pipkins, zorringers, Chamber Services, &c., &c. Socket Drain Pipes from 2 inches to 18 inches, in 2 feet lengths, with bends and junctions and Closet Pans.

Agricultural and Draining Pipes and Tiles, from 10s. per 100 feet.  
Roofing Tiles, 45s. per square: Paving ditto, 50s. per square.  
Garden Bordering, Fire Bricks and Tiles.

Equal to the best ENGLISH GOODS and BELOW SYDNEY PRICES.

**ROBERT SCOTT.**

### PUGH'S.

**GENERAL PRINTING OFFICE.**

**THE** above ESTABLISHMENT has been REMOVED to the Premises lately occupied by Mr. A. SLAUGHTER, in Albert Street South, nearly opposite the Wholesale Stores of Mr. R. S. WARRY.

**THEOPHILUS P. PUGH.**

BRISBANE, December 2nd, 1859.

#### Jos. Postlethwaite

**HAS** the honor to announce to the inhabitants of Brisbane and adjoining districts, that he has commenced business as AUCTIONEER, LAND, ESTATE, AND "CUSTOM HOUSE" AGENT, at the corner of QUEEN and ALBERT STREETS—and trusts by strict attention and promptitude to secure a fair share of public support.

The City Mart, North Brisbane,  
Nov. 25th, 1859.

### FORTITUDE VALLEY.

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#### MR. JORDAN, DENTIST.

(Late Fletcher and Jordan)

**HAS** REMOVED to GEORGE STREET Brisbane, nearly opposite the Courier Office.

Attendance in IPSWICH—the First TUESDAY in each month.  
Brisbane, 30th May, 1859.

fight against that adverse fortune which may now and then befall us all.

But he who enters into the work with that dogged perseverance which is the peculiar characteristic of the Anglo-Saxon race, is sure to bring out successfully these talents with which nature may have endowed him.

Whatever may be the amount of his abilities and opportunities, such a man will always be sure to improve those abilities and opportunities to the best advantage, and to apply them as successfully as circumstances will permit.

Rest assured that I shall always remember with gratitude this flattering mark of your esteem and respect, and that you will at all times find me

have struggled many years to obtain that independence from the Government of New South Wales which they are now about to enjoy, and although the progress of the colony has been great its material prosperity has been much retarded by the systematic negligence of the Government of New South Wales.

Under each circumstances we hail with joy the advent of your Excellency to establish an independent government, and we feel confident that by a wise and liberal administration the great natural resources of the colony will be developed and the advantages we have anticipated from Separation will be fully realised under your Excellency's auspices.

In conclusion, we beg to ensure