Letter A

To the Committee of Management of the Australian Agricultural Company
Sydney

Gentlemen,

1. I beg to acquaint you with my arrival here this day in the Ship William and have the honor to enclose herewith a Letter from the Directors of the Australian Agricultural Company, informing you of my appointment as Commissioner for managing their affairs in New South Wales.

2. I shall be glad to afford you a perusal of the Power of Attorney therein alluded to, whenever I have the pleasure of a personal communication with you, and previously to its enrolment in the Supreme Court according to the Provision of the Act of Parliament on that subject.

3. I request you will do me the kindness to suggest when and where it will be most convenient for us to meet. And, as it is my intention to proceed to Port Stephens with the least possible delay, perhaps you will do me the kindness to fix the earliest period which may suit your Convenience.

4. I have also to request that you will take such Steps as you may deem requisite, for causing all the Effects and Documents in reference to the Company’s Affairs to be placed in my possession and that you will particularly point out to my Notice any Letters written by yourselves, or by any Officer of the Company’s Establishment by your direction subsequently to your Despatch No. 13 dated 25th February 1829.

5. I beg to assure you that I shall feel greatly obliged by any advice and information, with which you may do me the favor to furnish me, and which from your superior knowledge and experience in such matters, cannot fail to be of essential assistance to me in the important duties I have undertaken to perform.

W. E. Parry
Letter B

Sydney
26th December 1829

George Bunn
Sydney

Sir,

Considering it requisite for the Interests of the Australian Agricultural Company, that an Agent should continue to act on their behalf at Sydney as heretofore, for the following purposes, vizt

1st The receipt and forwarding of Letters, Stores &c
2nd The purchase or Sale of Stores &c
3rd The Collection of Debts due to the Company
4th The Receipt of Monies due, or to become due, for Calls
5th The Shipment to England of Wool or other produce or the disposal of it in New South Wales.

I request you will inform me whether you are willing to continue in this Agency, and that you will propose to me the lowest terms of Commission upon which you may be disposed to undertake it.

W. E. Parry, Commissioner for Managing the Affairs of the Australian Agricultural Company in New South Wales

Letter C

Sydney
29th December 1829

To the Venerable the Archdeacon of New South Wales

Sir,

Being anxious to promote, by all the means in my power, the Spiritual Welfare of the numerous individuals about to be placed under my Control at the Establishment of the Australian Agricultural Company at Port Stephens, I take an early opportunity of requesting your kind Offices in the appointment of a Chaplain to be resident on the spot.

When I acquaint you that the number of persons now composing this Establishment is between four and five hundred, of whom about three hundred and fifty are Convicts, and that there
has hitherto been almost a total absence of Religious and Moral
instruction among them, I feel confident that I need not further
urge the necessity of providing for our wants in this way.

I beg to add that, having authority from the Company to
institute a School upon their Estate, for the instruction of the
Children of the Company’s Servants, I shall feel greatly obliged by
any assistance which you can give me in procuring a competent
School Master and Mistress for that purpose.