

of misconduct. A note of the Period and the fault for which Prisoners may be deprived of these articles must be made by the Storekeeper opposite the names of the Individuals and reported from time to time.

9 As soon as every necessary provision has been made for the comfort of men and the Security of the Stores, you will proceed to explore the neighbouring country, so as to ascertain whether there are any rivers or other objects of importance to examine the nature and quality of the soil, its fertility and the purposes to which it may appear more immediately applicable with reference to the views of Settlers.

10 In the course of two months a Vessel will be dispatched from hence with additional supplies and by that opportunity you will return provided you have established the Settlement, and made the necessary observations on the Country in the neighbourhood, you will then leave the charge of the Settlement with Captain Wakefield.

Lieutenant Governor Arthur of Van Diemens [sic] Land has been apprised of the steps now taken and it is the wish of His Excellency that you inform the Lieutenant Governor by the first opportunity which may offer of the Settlement having been established. Should you from any unforeseen event be in need of supplies which can be more conveniently be furnished from Port Dalrymple than from this place, you will also in that case address yourself to the Commandant at that Station, who will be instructed to communicate with you.

It is very desirable that no time should be lost in ascertaining as far as practicable the Natural Productions of the Country in and in that their utility for supplying the immediate wants of the Settlement or for the purposes of Commerce may be known. With this view a Gardener is to

John Brown embark on board of the Amity for the purpose of collecting

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