



**SUPPLEMENT**  
TO THE  
**NEW SOUTH WALES**  
**GOVERNMENT GAZETTE**

OF WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1837.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1837.

**PROCLAMATION.**

By His Excellency, Colonel KENNETH SNODGRASS, C.B., Senior Military Officer in Command of Her Majesty's Forces within the Territory of New South Wales and its Dependencies, Acting Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of the same, &c., &c., &c.

**W**HEREAS, His late Majesty King William the Fourth was graciously pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, dated the twenty-fifth day of June, One thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, to appoint His Excellency Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Bourke, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, to be Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Territory of New South Wales and its Dependencies; And whereas His said Majesty was further pleased, by the said Letters Patent, to signify His Royal Will and Pleasure, that if, upon the Death or Absence from the said Territory and its Dependencies of the said Sir Richard Bourke, there should be no Person upon the Place commissioned or appointed to be Lieutenant-Governor of the same, or especially appointed to administer the Government, the Senior Military Officer in Command of His said Majesty's Forces within the said Territory and its Dependencies, should take upon him the Administration of the Government, and should execute the said Letters Patent and the Instructions under the Royal Sign Manual therewith given, and the several Powers and Authorities therein contained, in the same manner and to all intents and purposes as other the Governor or Commander-in-Chief should or might do in case of the Absence of the said Sir Richard Bourke, or until his return, or in all cases, until His said Majesty's pleasure should be known therein;

And whereas His Excellency the said Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Bourke departed from the said Territory and its Dependencies on the fifth day of December instant;

And whereas, at a Meeting of the Executive Council held at the Council Chambers, in Sydney, this day, His Excellency Colonel KENNETH SNODGRASS, Companion of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, being the Senior Military Officer in Command of Her Majesty's Forces within the said Territory and its Dependencies, took the several Oaths mentioned in His late Majesty's said Letters Patent;

Now, therefore, it is hereby Proclaimed that, immediately upon the said Departure of His Excellency the said Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Bourke, all and singular the Powers and Authorities given and granted to the said Sir Richard Bourke and exercised by him, as such Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the said Territory of New South Wales and its Dependencies, became and now are vested in His Excellency the said Colonel Snodgrass, Senior Military Officer in Command of Her Majesty's Forces within the said Territory and its Dependencies, to be by him executed and enjoyed during Her Majesty's Royal Pleasure: And all Officers and Ministers, Civil and Military, and all other Inhabitants of the said Territory and its Dependencies, are hereby required and commanded to be obedient, aiding, and assisting to His Excellency the said Colonel Snodgrass accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Government-house, Sydney, this sixth day of December, One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

(L. s.) KENNETH SNODGRASS.

*By His Excellency's Command,*

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