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INTRODUCTION

Norman James Brian Plomley (known as Brian) was born on 6 November 1912 in Sydney, the elder son of Morris James Plomley, medical practitioner, and his wife Winifred Julia (nee Pickburn).

After graduating B.Sc. from the University of Sydney in 1935, he spent two years in England gaining research experience at the Imperial College of Science, London, and the University of Cambridge.

Returning to Australia, he spent 1938 as Acting Curator of the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery in Launceston. At the beginning of 1939 he joined the Department of Physics at the University of Tasmania as a research biologist. Later, during the Second World War he worked in the Optical Munitions Annex on the Queen’s Domain, Hobart.

In 1946 he returned to the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery as Director. He was awarded the degree of M.Sc. from the University of Tasmania in 1947 for a study of the genetic effects of ultraviolet radiations.

He re-entered the academic world in 1950 when he was appointed Senior Lecturer in the Department of Anatomy at the University of Sydney. In 1957/58 he worked at the Galton Laboratory, University College, London, researching human genetics, then became a temporary lecturer in the College’s Department of Anatomy.

Back in Australia he was Senior Lecturer in the Department of Anatomy at the University of New South Wales from 1961 until 1965, when he travelled to Paris to study French observations of Tasmanian Aborigines. The following year he joined the staff of the Department of Anatomy and Embryology at the University College, London. He left the College in 1973 returning to Australia where he was Senior Associate in Aboriginal and Oceanic Ethnology in the Department of History, University of Melbourne, until he retired in 1976.

From 1977 he lived in Tasmania, devoting himself to writing. For his services to historical research he was honoured by Membership of the Order of Australia in 1979 and awarded the Clive Lord Medal by the Royal Society of Tasmania in 1983. He lived in Hobart until November 1985, when he moved to Launceston.

In September 1984 the Plomley Foundation was established with his generous support, being one of the most important donations received by the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery. The foundation’s aims are to encourage research and publication about Tasmania’s natural and cultural heritage and the further development of the collections of the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery. The projects funded by the Foundation are listed in the Museum’s annual reports from 1984/1985.

Brian Plomley was an Honorary Research Associate at the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery until he died on 8 April 1994.
The collection was given to the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery pursuant to an agreement between Norman James Brian Plomley and the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Launceston in January 1984.

Brian Plomley’s personal papers (not listed here) are closed. Permission to access these papers should be made in writing to the Director of the QVMAG.

A group of records located in the Museum Library was incorporated in the collection in October 2002 and listed as an addendum.

Major published works by N J B Plomley

1966  *Friendly mission: the Tasmanian journals and papers of George Augustus Robinson 1829-1834* (Hobart)
1969  *An annotated bibliography of the Tasmanian Aborigines* (London)
1971  *Several generations* (Sydney)
1975  *A manual of dissection for students of dentistry* (Edinburgh)
1976  *A word-list of the Tasmanian Aboriginal languages* (Launceston)
1977  *The Tasmanian Aborigines* (Launceston)
1983  *The Baudin expedition and the Tasmanian Aborigines 1802* (Hobart)
1987  *Weep in silence: a history of the Flinders Island Aboriginal settlement* (Hobart)
1991  *Jorgen Jorgenson and the Aborigines of Van Diemen’s Land* (Hobart)
      *Tasmanian Aboriginal place names* (Launceston)
      *The Westlake papers: records of interviews in Tasmania by Ernest Westlake* (Launceston)
1992  *The Tasmanian tribes, and cicatrices as tribal indicators among the Tasmanian Aborigines* (Launceston)
      *The Aboriginal/settler clash in Van Diemen’s Land 1803-1831* (Launceston)
1993  *The General: the visits of the expedition led by Bruny d’Entrecasteaux to Tasmanian waters in 1792 and 1793* (Launceston)
      *The Tasmanian Aborigines* (Launceston)
1. Aborigines (biographies)

1/1 Notes on various Tasmanian Aborigines
1/2 Trucanini
1/3 William Lanney
1/4 Radiographs of head of “Shiney”, with letter

2. Robinson Papers

2/1 Inventory of GA Robinson papers in the Mitchell Library, Sydney
2/2 Charles Robinson (journals etc, 1837)
2/3 References from Mary Ramsay, Bothwell re Robinson and sealers; letter from Dr Bruce McPherson, Mass., USA
2/4 Robinson papers, 1829-1834, Mitchell Library (photocopies, photographic prints; transcriptions by NJBP)
2/5 Robinson papers, Mitchell Library (Flinders Island, photocopies)
2/6 Robinson papers, 1835-39 (photocopies, transcriptions by NJBP)
2/7 Robinson journal, 1829 (typescript)
2/8 GA Robinson (personal, family)
2/9 Friendly mission (route maps)
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3. Sealers

3/1 Geo, vol. 12, no.2, contains article by Esther Beaton ‘The mutton birders’; sealing - extracts from literature
3/2 Various references from a number of sources
3/3 Hybrids, various references
3/4 Baptisms of aborigines (photocopies etc)
3/5 1831 notebook transcribed by NJBP
3/6 Names of aboriginal females cohabiting with sealers (photographic prints)
3/7 Photocopies of GAR papers re sealers and their native women, 1831
3/9 Cape Barren Island dance music record, 45 rpm, c. 1975, with manuscript notes
3/10 Aboriginal women taken to Rodriguez by schooner Hunter (photocopies)
3/11 CSO 1/36/621, Captain Whyte and the Duke of York; CSO 5/19/384, Robinson’s report on his visit to Port Phillip and the islands in December 1836; CSO 1/131/3165, runaways on Preservation Island 1825-26; notes on conversations AH Collis and NJBP in 1948
3/12 Notes on Straitsmen
3/13 Sealers (photocopies; notes)
3/14  F1 and F2 hybrids
3/15  Galley proofs etc of *The sealers of Bass Strait and the Cape Barren islander community*
3/16  Penultimate text of *The sealers*
3/17  Text with NJBP’s manuscript notes
3/18  *The sealers*, appendix 1, the men (manuscript)
3/19  *The sealers*, appendix 2, Aboriginal women (manuscript)

4. **Notebooks (various)**

4/1  Journal of WJ Darling 1833-34; office journal 1836-39
    (transcribed by NJBP)
4/2  Extracts from GAR’s journal and other papers in the Mitchell Library; re vocabulary etc (notes by NJBP)
4/3  Extracts from GAR’s journal re vocabulary (photographic prints, notes by NJBP)
4/4  Aborigines, A-M (notes by NJBP)
4/5  Aborigines, N-Z (notes by NJBP)
4/6  Aborigines, English names
4/7  Names of Tasmanian Aborigines, Aboriginal names, English names (notes by NJBP)
4/8  Tasmanian tribes/bands, names (notes by NJBP)
4/10  Europe 1965; record of first official trip to LCGS hut, Mount Arthur, 1961; counts of flying fish Indian Ocean, January 1965; notes on Tasmanian collections in Paris and Le Havre, 1965; notes on Tasmanian collections in London, 1965; counts of flying fish Indian Ocean, August 1965; miscellaneous notes on French archives.
4/11  Record of enquiries at British museums for material relating to Tasmanian aborigines, 1959; miscellaneous notes
4/12  Miscellaneous notes of historical and anthropological interest gathered in various British libraries, 1971-73
4/13  Course of lectures on Tasmanian Aborigines by NJBP, delivered in Department of History, University of Melbourne, 1974

5. **Flinders Island**

5/1  *The Flinders Island Chronicle* and other papers handwritten by the aborigines (photographic prints, transcriptions by NJBP)
5/2  Oyster Cove aboriginal station visitors’ book, 1855-1869, CSO 89 (photocopy)
5/3  Geoff Lennox, *Oyster Cove historic site* (1984) (2 copies, one annotated on cover by the author)
Notebook, inventory of papers relating to the Aborigines in the Tasmanian State Archives, CSO 1 (Arthur), CSO 5 (Franklin)

Notebook, inventory of papers relating to the Aborigines in the Tasmanian State Archives, CSO 8, 11, 14, 16, 19, 20, 22, 24; CSD 1, 4, 7

Notebook, personal names of Aborigines, references (compiled by NJBP)

Notebook, census of Aborigines (references compiled by NJBP)

Notebook, various references to Aborigines (compiled by NJBP)

Material relating to Wybalenna, including a number of photographs and negatives of the site, 1969; papers from Patricia Ratcliff, 1991

Extracts from AOT material, principally CSO 5, 8 (transcribed by NJBP)

Backhouse and Walker journal, 1832, 1833 (photocopies and typescript)

Journal of GW Walker (typescript); journal of James Backhouse (typescript)

Flinders Island Aboriginal settlement - medical report by James Allen, 1837; deaths at Wybalenna, 1837; proportions of the body in the Tasmanians, 1837 (photographic prints)

Flinders Island journal of GAR, 14 September 1835-6 March 1839 (typescript bound in 6 parts, annotated by NJBP)

Papers transcribed from documents in private possession relating to the Flinders Island Aboriginal settlement (typescript, 2 copies)

Furneaux Islands, map by George Woodward, 1833 (photographic prints)


*Weep in silence*, Addenda (notes)

Archaeology (*Island News*, 7 February 1979; photocopy from University of Melbourne, *Staff News*, July 1979)

NJB P lectures to ANZAAS, 1976; THRA, 1978 (typescript)

Biographies, references to Europeans connected with the settlement

Census list of Aborigines at Wybalenna (notes by NJBP)

CSO 1, correspondence, reports (photographic prints, photocopies etc)

CSO 5, correspondence, reports (photocopies, transcriptions by NJBP)

CSO 8, correspondence, reports (photocopies, transcriptions by NJBP)

CSO 24 (transcription by NJBP, notes)

Journal of WJ Darling (photographic print, typescript)

Deaths of Aborigines and their causes (notes by NJBP, typescript)

General enquiries concerning publication of *Weep in silence*

Miscellaneous material concerning *Weep in silence*

‘Disease among the Tasmanian Aborigines’, article by NJBP in *British Medical Journal of Australia*, vol.151, December 4/18, 1989; *British Medical Journal of Australia*, vol.149, December 5/19, 1988;
Knowledge is power: Health operations staff development information package 004 region, June 1990, contains reprint of British Medical Journal article, vol. 151, 1989; notes

5/32 Disease, sickness, death, Flinders Island, Oyster Cove, CSO 89, Oyster Cove station visitors’ book (transcription, notes by NJBP, correspondence)

5/33 Journals, 1833-39 (Mason, Backhouse, Office journal, typescripts)

5/34 Various manuscripts etc (photocopies)

5/35 Maps of Flinders Island settlement (photocopies, photographic prints) Oversize item

5/36 Meteorological tables, 1836 (photographic prints)

5/37 Miscellaneous material, including correspondence, 1980-83

5/38 Sydney newspapers, 1838 (photocopies)

5/39 Orphan school (notes by NJBP)

5/40 Oyster Cove station: WELH Crowther, The final phase of the extinct Tasmanian race (1974) (notes, typescript by NJBP)

5/41 Port Phillip (notes by NJBP, letter to David Kerr, Dromana, Vic., 1987)

6. Aboriginal/Settler Clash

6/1 CBE 1, Aboriginal Committee minutes (photocopies)

6/2 CSO 1/332/7578 (photocopy; also Van Diemen’s Land. Copies of all correspondence...military operations (THRA, 1971) (photocopy)

6/3 CSO 1/316/7578 pp. 1-100 (typescript)

6/4 CSO 1/316/7578 pp. 101-200 (typescript)

6/5 CSO 1/316/7578 pp. 201-300 (typescript)

6/6 CSO 1/316/7578 pp. 301-423 (typescript)

6/7 CSO 1/316/7578 pp. 1-104, 105-236 (typescript)

6/8 CSO 1/316/7578 pp. 237-351, 352-423 (typescript)

6/9 Aborigines v. settlers, tabulated information (typescript)

6/10 Aborigines v. settlers, preliminary draft of publication, correspondence

6/11 Attacks, manuscript tabulation, printed tabulation

6/12 Attacks, final assessment (manuscript and printed tabulation, graphs)

6/13 CSO 1/316/7578 pp. 1-104 (transcribed by NJBP)

6/14 CSO 1/316/7578 pp. 105-236 (transcribed by NJBP)

6/15 CSO 1/316/7578 pp. 237-351 (transcribed by NJBP)

6/16 CSO 1/316/7578 pp. 353-423 (transcribed by NJBP)

6/17 Van Diemen’s Land. Copies of all correspondence between Governor Arthur...military operations, 1831 (photocopies)

6/18 VDL Co. v. Aborigines, manuscript and published material by Geoff Lennox

7. Roving Parties (Jorgenson)

7/1 Jorgenson book on Aborigines by NJBP (typescript)

7/2 Braim manuscript (typescript)
7/3 Jorgen Jorgenson, roving parties (notes by another hand; photocopies, typescript)
7/4 W Meston and RAV McCulloch, ‘Jorgenson’s journey across the Central Plateau September-October 1826’ (1955); photocopies from JF Hogan, *The convict king*; TH Braim, *A history of New South Wales* (1846); James Bonwick, *The last of the Tasmanians* (1870); Report...Van Diemen’s Land Company 1828; Tasmania. Legislative Council. *Survey Office reports 1861*; etc
7/5 Jorgen Jorgenson, AL Meston papers
7/6 Journal of Jorgenson, 1826 (photocopies); W Meston and RAV McCulloch, ‘Jorgenson’s journey across the Central Plateau’, (1955) (photocopy); miscellaneous reports and correspondence, (photocopies)

8. **Exploration by Land**

8/1 Photocopies from various publications; references from 1820s Tasmanian newspapers etc
8/2 Photocopies from various publications
8/3 Paper by Ian Pearce on AOT land records; list of early maps held in Lands Department (photocopy)

9. **French Expeditions**

9/1 LR Marchant, *A list of French records and illustrations relating to Australian and Tasmanian Aborigines, 1771-1828* (1969) (photocopy)
9/2 Archives of French expeditions, list of holdings of various institutions; correspondence re four manuscript maps prepared by Baudin and D’Entrecasteaux expeditions
9/3 Archives of French expeditions, list of holdings of Public Library of South Australia; Mus. d’Hist. Nat., Le Havre
9/4 Photocopies from LR Marchant, *A list of French naval records*... (1969) etc
9/5 Miscellaneous correspondence concerning French expeditions to VDL
9/6 Paris, 1985, correspondence re copies of archives, theses etc
9/7 Maps Baudin and D’Entrecasteaux expeditions (photographic prints)
9/8 Piron, photocopies of drawings; maps from *Atlas du voyage de Bruny D’Entrecasteaux* (1808) (photographic prints)
9/9 D’Entrecasteaux expedition, miscellaneous information
9/10 Edward Duyker, *The discovery of Tasmania*..., manuscript copy; foreword to book by NJBP and his comments on text, 1991
9/11 Notebook, laboratory experiments, Cambridge, 1936; extracts from Marine Archives, Archives Nationales, Paris, 1959; extracts from archives Museum of Natural History, Paris, 1959; photographic prints from *Voyage in search of La Perouse*
9/12  Helouis transcripts, Mitchell Library
9/13  Le Havre Museum, catalogue of Tasmanian material: Peron manuscripts; Lesueur and Petit pictures
9/14  Le Havre Museum, lists of copies of pictures by Lesueur and Petit and manuscripts by Peron sent to SLT
9/15  Correspondence etc. relating to Baudin exhibition at SLT, 1980
9/16  Marion du Fresne, extracts from various publications (photocopies, notes)
9/17  Tasman, extracts from his journal, 1642 (photocopies, notes)

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10. British Expeditions

10/1  Bass/Flinders, extracts from David Collins, An account of the English colony in New South Wales (1802); Matthew Flinders, A voyage to Terra Australis (1814) (photocopies)
10/2  Bligh, extracts from A voyage to the South Seas (1792) (photocopy); Log of the Bounty (notes by NJBP, typescript)
10/3  Bligh, extract from Log of the Providence (1792) (notes by NJBP)
10/4  Cook, extracts from various publications concerning Cook in VDL (photocopies)
10/5  Cox, extracts from George Mortimer, Observations and remarks ... (1791) (photocopies)
10/6  Hayes (note by NJBP)

11. Baudin (Maria Island)

11/1  NJBP, Christine Cornell and Max Banks ‘Francois Peron’s natural history of Maria Island, Tasmania’ (manuscript, printer’s copy and published copy in Records of QVM, no.99, 1990)
11/2  Maria Island. Maps (photographic copies), draft copies of Francois Peron’s natural history...
11/3  Correspondence relating to publication of Francois Peron’s natural history...

12. D’Entrecasteaux Expedition

12/1  Piron sketches, manuscript maps of VDL (photographic copies)
12/2  Photographic material relating to the expedition; correspondence with Dr Max Banks, 1993
12/3  Correspondence re D’Entrecasteaux archive, 1986-1993
12/4  D’Entrecasteaux book (correspondence re publication of The general; Examiner review of The general, 23 October 1993)
12/5  D’Entrecasteaux book (correspondence with Dan Sprod; correspondence concerning publication)
12/6  Transcripts from journals written during the expedition
12/7  Photocopies from Voyage in search of La Perouse
12/8 Helene Richard, *Le voyage de D'Entrecasteaux* (1986) (transcript by NJBP); 1792-93 day by day journal (transcript by NJBP)
12/9 Draft chapters of *The general*
12/10 Draft chapters of *The general*
12/11 Draft chapters of *The general*; extracts from La Motte Du Portail’s journal (photocopy)
12/12 Vocabularies of Tasmanian Aborigines made during the expedition
12/13 Correspondence with Dr Max Banks, Hobart; David Ziegler, Hobart, 1992
12/14 Zoology (correspondence, 1992, and notes)
12/17 Correspondence, enquires, 1990-92; research material from various sources (photocopies); Recherche, map, 1985

**13. Baudin Expedition**

13/1 Draft of *The Baudin expedition and the Tasmanian Aborigines 1802*
13/2 F Peron *Voyage de decouvertes aux Terres Australes* (1807) and tome second (1824) (2 bound photocopies)
13/3 Maps, manuscripts, inventories etc from Archives Nationales, Paris (photocopies)
13/4 Peron manuscripts at Le Havre (photocopies)
13/5 Natural history (notes)
13/6 Peron’s dynamometer (correspondence, 1987-89)
13/7 Peron manuscripts at Le Havre (photocopies)
13/8 Pictures by Lesueur and Petit, Le Havre (photographs)
13/9 Correspondence with Professor EL Ruhe, University of Kansas, USA, 1984-86; EL Ruhe, ‘The bark art of Tasmania’. (typescript, nd)
13/10 Notes re index and plates for Baudin book
13/11 Baudin book, chapter 6, draft
13/12 Baudin book, chapters 2,4,9, drafts
13/13 Miscellaneous correspondence
13/14 Pamphlets published in France, c.1953, 1965, 1984
13/15 Baudin book, chapter 2, 4, first drafts
13/16 Baudin book, chapter 10, first draft
13/17 Baudin book, chapter 10, draft with corrections
13/18 Observations by pre-settlement explorers on various aspects of Tasmanian Aborigines (manuscript by NJBP)
13/19 Material and maps used in preparation of text
13/20 Lesueur and Petit, records of drawings
13/21 Day by day activities in D’Entrecasteaux Channel (manuscript and typescript)
13/22 Day by day activities Maria Island; eastern and northern coasts, Furneaux Is; King Island and north-west coast (notes and photocopies from published *Journal of Nicolas Baudin*)
13/23 Louis de Freycinet, *Navigation et geographic*; P-B Milius narrative of his voyage on the *Naturaliste*; F Peron, *Memoire sur la force phisique des sauvages* (photocopies)
13/24 Abstracts of logs and journals: Baudin journal on *Geographe* February-June 1802, November-December 1802; Hamelin journal on *Naturaliste*; log of *Naturaliste*; L Freycinet journal on *Casuarina* (transcribed by NJBP)
13/25 Journals, letters and reports of Baudin, Breton, Brevedent, Couture, Faure, H Freycinet, Hamelin, Heyrission, Leschemault, Peron, St Cricq (typescripts)
13/26 Observatory, North West Bay, correspondence, photocopies of maps
13/27 Extracts from journals of ship’s officers dealing with Tasmania (typescripts)
13/28 Peron, Maria Island (miscellaneous, including MJ Brown and HJ Bayly-Stark, *Vegetation of Maria Island* (1979))
13/29 Maria Island, natural history by Peron (photocopy of a handwritten translation)

14. Tasmanian Aboriginal Language

14/1 Correspondence, 1952-93
14/2 French manuscripts (notes by NJBP)
14/3 Manuscript vocabularies (photocopies, notes etc)
14/4 GW Walker, Flinders Island (photocopies of his journal, notes by NJBP)
14/5 Published vocabularies (photocopies)
14/6 Published vocabularies etc including Joseph Milligan, *Vocabulary of the dialects...*(1890); Tasmania. Legislative Council, *Vocabulary...*(1857); Tasmania. Parliament. *Language and dialects...*(1901)
14/7 Charles Robinson vocabularies (photographic prints)
14/8 GA Robinson (photocopies)
14/9 Sterling/Robinson (photocopies)
14/10 Westlake (notes by NJBP)
14/11 Australian Aborigines (map; correspondence 1968-1973; H H Scott manuscript)
14/12 Notebook, A-L
14/13 Notebook, M-Y
14/14 Published vocabularies (photocopies) **Oversize item**
14/15 Notebook, vocabulary A-L, from GAR’s journals and other papers
14/16 Notebook, vocabulary M-Z, from GAR’s journals and other papers; names of Aborigines from same
14/17 Notebook, vocabulary A-C (published sources)
14/18 Notebook, vocabulary D-O (published sources)
14/19 Notebook, vocabulary P-Z (published sources)
14/20 Notebook, vocabulary A-F (GAR)
14/21 Notebook, vocabulary G-P (GAR)
14/22 Notebook, vocabulary Q-Z (GAR)

15. **Pictorial Work**

15/1 H and J Kolenberg, *Tasmanian vision* (1988)
15/2 *The Tasmanian Aboriginal in art* (1976) (2 copies);
    Eve Buscombe, *Portraits of the Aborigines* (1980); Mary Mackay ‘Early Tasmanian sculptures’, *Bowyang*,
    no.5, April/May 1981; Tim Bonyhady, ‘Benjamin Duterrau’s paintings…’, *Bowyang*, no.3, April 1980
15/3 Correspondence, E. Scott, 1931; AL Meston, 1934-35; NJBP, 1964-1986 etc;
    *Convict artists in Van Diemen’s Land* (1975) (2 copies)
15/4 John Allen, photograph of drawing; *Saturday Evening Mercury*
    27 June 1981 article on Allen (photocopy)
15/5 Governor Arthur’s signboard (published material c.1986)
15/6 Bock portraits (correspondence 1991-92)
15/7 Bock, Thomas and Alfred (miscellaneous material, including
    NJBP ‘Thomas Bock’s portraits of the Tasmanian Aborigines’, *Records of the QVM*, 1965)
15/8 Thomas Bock, Aboriginal portraits, QVM (photographs)
15/9 Sketches of Aborigines by or after Thomas Bock (photographs)
15/10 Thomas Bock, portraits of Aborigines in Alexander Turnbull
    Library, NZ.; Royal Anthropological Institute, London (photographs)
15/11 Thomas Bock, portraits of Aborigines in TMAG (photographs)
15/12 Thomas Bock, portraits of Aborigines in British Museum
    (photographs, photocopies)
15/13 Robert Dowling (correspondence, 1979-82 etc)
15/14 Benjamin Duterrau, paintings of Aborigines (photographs;
    correspondence, 1979; photocopies of published information)
15/15 Duterrau, sketches of Aborigines in Mitchell Library and
    British Museum (photographs)
15/16 Duterrau, sketches and engravings in Musee de l’Homme, Paris;
    engravings in Ulster Museum (photocopies, photographs)
15/17 John Glover (miscellaneous information)
15/18 John Glover (correspondence, 1983-84; photographs of Glover’s
sketches of Aborigines etc)
15/19  John Glover, sketches of Aborigines in Mitchell Library; TMAG (photographs)
15/20  WB Gould (miscellaneous information)
15/21  WB Gould, portraits of Aborigines (photographs)
15/22  Robert Neill, drawings of Aborigines in Mitchell Library (photographs); Phillips of London catalogue, 1989 containing Neill painting
15/23  George O’Brien (correspondence, 1991-93)
15/25  Various portraits of Aborigines (photographs and negatives)
15/26  Various artists (miscellaneous material)
15/27  Photography (miscellaneous material)
15/28  Photographs of Aborigines by Charles Woolley, including original carte-de-visite of Truganini
15/29  Photographs of half-castes, Furneaux Islands, including some original sepia photographs
15/30  Fanny Cochrane Smith (photographs)
15/31  Photographs of Aborigines at Oyster Cove; Anson Bros. original carte-de-visite of Lalla Rook, also of King Billy; some original postcard photographs
15/32  Photographs of head of a Tasmanian from the voyage of the Favorite; mumified head of Shiney, Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin
15/33  GA Robinson, photographs of manuscripts, portrait, house in Hobart, sketches by GAR
15/34  VDL Co., maps and sketches (photographs)
15/35  Photographs of “Montacute”; NJBP, 1973; Dr FJ Clarke; Alexander McKay; gravestones of Henry Robinson, George Taylor jnr., James Plaster
15/36  Photographs of plates Friendly mission; JB Thwaites photographs of south-western Tasmania; The Tasmanian Aborigines, illustrations; illustrations in various publications by NJBP
15/37  Weep in silence, plates
15/38  Australian Aborigines, photographs etc
15/39  Thomas Bock, two large folders of papers relating to Bock’s portraits of the Tasmanian Aboriginals

16. Miscellaneous Research Papers

16/1  Artefacts (photographs etc)
16/2  Baskets (photographs, notes)
16/3  JW Beattie papers in ALMFA (photocopies); Allport letter-book 1871-74 (typescript)
16/4  Black Line, maps (photographs)
16/5  Body measurements (notes by NJBP)
16/6  Bruny Island mission station (maps; correspondence, 1980; photograph)
16/7  Busts, face masks (photographs; correspondence, 1990; NJBP ‘Benjamin Law, sculptor’, Australiana, November 1990)
16/8  Caves (map, note)
16/9  Depopulation (notes by NJBP)
16/10 Diet (correspondence, 1975-76 etc)
16/11 Disease (newspaper, Friendly mission references, 1826-35)
16/12 Vivienne Ellis (correspondence, 1975-77)
16/13 Fire (article by Shayne Breen)
16/14 Genetic isolation (miscellaneous information)
16/15 Hair follicle (notes; article by NJBP and Les Barber submitted to the RST)
16/16 Hair follicle (photographs; research material; NJBP and Les Barber ‘The form of the hair follicle. . .’, RST Papers and proceedings, vol. 125, 1991)
16/17 Hair follicle (research material)
16/18 Genetics of hair growth (correspondence, 1970-83)
16/19 Manchester Museum (correspondence re H Ling Roth papers, 1968)
16/20 Manuscripts (GP Harris; AWH Humphrey; M Flinders; VDL Co.; Robert Elwes; EA Elliott; transcribed by NJBP, photocopies, typescript)
16/21 Medicinal treatment (brief notes)
16/22 AL Meston (information compiled by Mr Meston)
16/23 Middens (correspondence received by AL Meston, 1938 etc)
16/24 Music (miscellaneous information)
16/25 Mythology (manuscript by PW White ‘The Parleuar of Trouwerna’; correspondence with Nancy Cato, 1975-76)
16/26 Natural history, Tasmania (photocopies of press reports 1830s, books 1840s; typed notes)
16/27 Ochre mines (maps; miscellaneous information; correspondence with Lloyd Robson, 1989-90)
16/28 Petroglyphys (various photographs)
16/29 Plant foods (information from various sources; NJBP ‘Plant foods of the Tasmanian Aboriginals’, 3rd draft, 1991)
16/30 Scarification (material and drafts for NJBP Cicatrices as tribal indicators (1991))
16/31 Skeleton (information from various sources, includes photographs)
16/32 Skull (information from various sources)
16/33 Skull (photographs from CJ Hackett, London)
16/34 Songs (‘Fanny Cochrane Smith: songs and speech’, 45 rpm record published by TMAG, 1966, 2 copies)
16/35 Spears (PL Brown donation brochure, QVMAG)
16/36 Stone implements (information from various sources; photographs; AL Meston material)
16/38 Tasmanian tribes, NJBP, *The Tasmanian tribes and cicatrices...*, draft copies, 1991
16/39 Tribes (information from various sources; notes by NJBP)
16/40 VDL Co. (notes from the Company’s records made by NJBP in London, 1959)
16/41 JB Waldie (papers relating to Channel Historical and Folk Museum, 1977-84)

17. *Collections*

17/1 Tasmanian Aboriginal collections, Australia (QVM register) *Restricted*
17/2 QVM skeletal material (information from various sources, photographs) *Restricted*
17/3 TMAG (information, notes from various sources)
17/4 Australia (correspondence from NSW, SA, Vic., Canberra institutions, 1980-81)
17/5 New Zealand (correspondence 1972-83)
17/6 Overseas collections (correspondence 1987-90; newspaper cuttings, 1987-90)
17/7 United Kingdom (correspondence with a number of institutions, 1980-92; Winifred Glover, *Travelling at Port Phillip* (Ulster Museum, 1988))
17/8 Continental Europe (notes)
17/9 USA (correspondence 1980-81 etc)

18. *Westlake Papers*

18/1 Three draft copies of NJBP, *The Westlake papers*
18/2 Correspondence, 1974-1991; A T Westlake, *A centenary tribute to an educational pioneer* (London, 1956)
18/3 Early drafts of the publication
18/4 Westlake’s letters to his children, 1908-09, 1909-10 (photocopies)
18/5 Westlake’s extracts from Tasmanian newspapers, notes on Aborigines (photocopies)
18/6 Westlake’s copies of notes by JW Beattie; letters to Westlake from J Paxton-Moir, 1910-15 (photocopies)
18/7 EB Tylor, letters, 1893-1906 (photocopies)
18/8 Ernest Westlake’s diaries, 1908-10 (2 bound volumes of photocopies)
18/9 Typed copies of Westlake’s journals in 2 folders
18/10 Typed copy of journals
18/11 Computer printout; NJBP’s typed notes on Westlake in Tasmania, etc
19. Newspaper Cuttings

19/1 Newspaper articles ordered from AOT etc
19/2 Newspaper, book extracts arranged chronologically in files, 1800-1993 (typed, photocopies)
19/3 Newspaper cuttings, Australian Aborigines, 1974-90
19/4 Newspaper cuttings, anthropological, 1975-84
19/5 Newspaper cuttings, miscellaneous, 1954-88

20. Tasmanian Aboriginal Place Names

20/1 Various papers, correspondence, maps, notes
20/2 Eastern Midlands place names; Western Tasmanian place names (correspondence, maps, notes etc)
20/3 Aerial photographs of Hunter Island; photographs of GAR sketches
20/4 NJBP’s typed and handwritten notes; draft copies of his Tasmanian Aboriginal place names
20/5 Basic list (typescript); penultimate copy; published copy of Tasmanian Aboriginal place names

21. Marie Fels: Data used in Research on Culture Contact in VDL, 1803-1811

21/1 Notes, photocopies re Norfolk Island settlers
21/2 1811 muster (photocopies)
21/3 Wayne lists of shipping, settler arrivals (photocopies)
21/4 Arrivals on Calcutta (photocopies)
21/5 CO reels; HRA; Bigge evidence (photocopies, etc)
21/6 Knopwood references (photocopies)
21/7 Archival, various notes
21/8 Primary sources, Knopwood’s marriage register (photocopies)
21/9 Notes from various publications (photocopies)
21/10 Early newspaper references (photocopies)
21/11 Secondary sources (various notes, photocopies etc.)
21/12 Card index Oversize item

22. Literature Abstracts

22/1 Arthur papers, Mitchell Library (photocopies)
22/2 HRA (photocopies)
22/3 Historical Records NSW (typed extracts, photocopies)
22/4 Hobart Town Gazette (handwritten extracts, 1816-19, 1820-27)
22/5 Knopwood diaries (typed extracts)
22/6 Sydney Cove, wreck (typed copy of Guy Hamilton’s protest, 1797)
22/7 Weekly Courier, 1901-25 (handwritten notes by NJBP)
22/8  North Shore and Manly Times, ‘Straitsman’ articles, 22 June-21 September 1901 (photocopy)

23. Published Works by NJB Plomley


23/2  Copies of the following NJBP publications: Tasmanian Aboriginal place names, QVM Occasional Paper no.3; Tasmanian tribes & cicatrices as tribal indicators among the Tasmanian Aborigines, QVM Occasional Paper no.5; Those wayward tresses (1989) (5 copies, including corrected copy); with Mary Cameron, ‘Plant food of the Tasmanian Aborigines’, Records of the QVM, no.101, 1993 (3 copies); The Westlake papers, QVM Occasional Paper no.4; with Christine Cornell and Max Banks, ‘Francois Peron’s natural history of Maria Island’, Records of the QVM, no.99, 1990 (2 copies); Diane Dunbar Thomas Bock, (1991) includes chapter by NJBP (2 copies); with Les Barber, ‘The form of the hair follicle…’, RST Papers and proceedings, vol.125, 1991 (3 copies); An immigrant of 1824, (1973) (2 copies); with K A Henley, ‘The sealers of Bass Strait’, THRA Papers and proceedings vol.37, nos. 2 & 3, (1990) (2 copies); with K A Henley The sealers of Bass Strait (1990); ‘Aborigines and governors’, Bulletin Centre for Tasmanian Historical Studies, vol.3, no.1, 1990/91


24. Bibliographies

24/1 Two folders of bibliographies of Tasmania; ML listings (handwritten; photocopies)

25. Manuscripts

25/1 Allan Cunningham’s journal, 1819 (photocopy etc)
25/2 LA Deschamp’s journal on the Recherche, 1791; journal in Java (set of microfiche, photocopies)
25/3 Henry Hellyer, field survey notebooks, 1826-27 (photocopies)
25/4 James Kelly, journal of the Elizabeth, 1815-16 (photocopy)
25/5 The last of the Tasmanian race (typescript from collection of Howard Amos, Cranbrook); Allan Cunningham’s journal, 1819 (photocopy); House of Commons, Committee on gaols etc, 1819 (photocopy); Thomas Lewis, survey notebook, 1829 (typed copy); 1821 letter in Fitzherbert papers, Derbyshire County Record Office (photocopy); Reminiscences of Hugh Munro Hull, 1864 (photocopy)
25/6 Alexander Laing, journal, 1819-1838 (typed copy)
25/7 JP Fawkner, reminiscences (photocopies)
25/8 ‘Journal of a rambler with a sketch of his life from 1817 to 1834’ (typed copy)
25/9 AL Meston’s papers: Tasman’s landing place (miscellaneous notes etc; Meston’s article in RST Papers and proceedings vol.87, 1953)
25/10 Flinders Island Weekly Chronicle, 1837 (photocopies) Oversize item
25/11 James Backhouse, Flinders Island journal, 1833-1834 (photocopies)
25/12 Backhouse/Walker, report on Flinders Island, 1832 (photographic prints)
25/13 GW Walker, journal, Flinders Island (photographic prints, typed copy)
25/14 GW Walker, letters, Flinders Island, 1832 (photographic prints)
25/15 CSO 1/36/261, Seizure of Caledonia, 1826 (photocopies) Oversize item
25/16 Church News, accounts of several missions to the Furneaux Group (photocopies) Oversize item

26. Research Projects (scientific)

26/1 Record/print programme switches, notebook (notes used to compile ‘A list of the insect Ectoparasites…’, with G B Thompson, Proceeding of the Linnean Society of NSW, 15 September 1938)
26/2 Irradiation of spores of Chaetomium spp. (notebook); Experiments on the effect of drugs on the growth of fungi, 1967 (notebook); Record of fish taken at the Great Lake 1899/1900-1916 (notebook); Miscellaneous field notes, 1934-1947; Record of feeding a
captive specimen of the opossum mouse, 1932/33 (notebook)

26/3 Voyage of the *Triton*, 1823-24, draft copy of NJBP, *An immigrant of 1824*, with material used in its compilation

26/4 Whales (miscellaneous notes, newspaper and magazine cuttings, 1951-1974)

26/5 Interstitial ridges (material used to compile ‘Structure of interstitial epidermal ridges’, with L S Penrose, *Z. Morph. Anthrop*, May 1969)

26/6 Heterodoxus (notes; correspondence, 1938-39)

26/7 Parasites (correspondence, 1947-70)

26/8 Cyrtidae (notes; correspondence, 1938-57)

26/9 Flying fish observed during three voyages across the Indian Ocean (material used to compile NJBP, ‘Numbers of flying fish…’, *Journal of Zoology*, 1968)

26/10 Flying fish (notes; research material; correspondence, 1965-67)

26/11 Flying fish, flight (research material; correspondence, 1969)


26/13 Rodent plagues (material used to compile ‘Some notes on plagues of small mammals in Australia’, *Journal of Natural History*, no.6, 1972)

26/14 Rodent plagues (material used to compile above article)

26/15 Callorhinchus (material used to compile ‘Some notes… in callorhinchus’, with Noel Dilly)

26/16 Freshwater fisheries (research material; correspondence, 1947-50)

26/17 Lectures, University of Sydney, 1966; THRA, 1956; University College, London, 1959; Launceston 50,000 League, 1946; etc

26/18 Fungal growth (research notes) *Oversize item*

26/19 Human genetics (notes for course in human genetics written by NJBP, and given to Medicine 2, Sydney University, 1951-57)

26/20 Olivetti computer programme (technical notes, manuals)

26/21 ANZAAS, Hobart, 1976 (correspondence concerning NJBP presiding over anthropology section of the congress)


27. *Index Cards Filing Drawers*

Note: 27/1, 27/2 - a more detailed set of these references is available as a supplementary file

27/1 Newspaper references to Tasmanian Aborigines, 1804-29

27/2 Newspaper references to Tasmanian Aborigines, 1830-36

27/3 Serials collection; list of NJBP’s publications

27/4 Tasmanian stone implements in QVM collection

27/5 Plomley Collection - books

27/6 Plomley Collection - pamphlets
27/7  Tasmanian Aboriginal place names (Aboriginal names only)
27/8  Tasmanian Aborigines (a) artefacts (b) pictures
27/9  Index to Westlake papers
27/10 Tasmanian Aborigines (a) native names (b) English names
27/11 CSO references, 5 drawers
27/12 Plomley Collection - books
27/13 Plomley Collection - serials; various CSO references

28. **Sealers and Bass Strait**

Nos  28/1-19 contain handwritten notes (by Marita Bardenhagen)
28/1 Bass Strait place names, A-J, K-Z. (2 folders)
28/2 Authorities’ attitudes towards sealers, sealers’ attitude to authorities (2 folders)
28/3 Sealers, general information
28/4 Sealers by alias
28/5 Sealers by name (6 folders)
28/6 Prostitution of sealers’ native women; sealers cohabiting with native children; abduction of native children
28/7 Sealers’ native women/and others
28/8 Sealers’ habitations/ hazards of sealing
28/9 Work done by sealers’ native women/economics
28/10 Other Europeans and ships
28/11 Key, plates, map.
28/12 From green notebooks
28/13 Sealers/halfcastes/names/murder of sealers’ halfcaste children
28/14 Murder of native women/treatment of native women
28/15 Abduction of native females by sealers/natives attacked by sealers
28/16 Aboriginal names, aliases (3 folders)
28/17 Aboriginal names (3 folders)
28/18 Folder of related notes
28/19 Secondary sources (photocopies from various publications; notes from *Sydney Gazette* and *Hobart Town Gazette*, 5 folders)

29. **Material used by Sharon Morgan to write Land Settlement in Tasmania 1803-1830**

29/1 Ten folders of notes by Sharon Morgan
29/2 Grantees (bound photocopies from AOT) *Oversize item*
29/3 Photographs, photocopies and slides of maps and paintings used in the book
29/4 Information from various sources used to compile book (10 files)
29/5 Box of computer discs etc
30. More Published Works by NJBP

30/1  *A word list of the Tasmanian Aboriginal languages* (material used to compile the list; typescript; draft; galley proofs etc)
30/2  *Tasmanian Aboriginal bibliography* (proofs)  **Oversize item**
30/3  *The Aboriginal/settler clash in Van Diemen’s Land 1803-1831* (draft copy)
30/4  *The general* (material used to write the book; typescripts; draft copy etc)
30/5  ‘Francois Peron’s natural history of Maria Island, Tasmania’ (galley proofs, 1990)
30/6  *Weep in silence* (drafts, including draft in 6 volumes, proofs)
30/7  *Baudin expedition* (manuscript; publisher’s copy)
30/8  *Friendly mission* (galley proofs, 10 copies of prospectus)
30/9  *Those wayward tresses* (material used in book’s compilation)  
      (includes 3 oversize items)

See also 51. Addendum

31. NJBP and University of New South Wales

31/1  Manual of dissection (typescript)
31/2  Dissecting manual (first draft etc)
31/3  ‘Notes for dissection’ by the Staff of the School of Anatomy, University of New South Wales, January 1963 (2 copies)
31/4  ‘Practical anatomy: notes for dissection’ by NJBP, C P Wendell-Smith and W J C Wilkinson, 1964
31/5  Anatomy teaching (handwritten notes by NJBP)

32. NJBP and University College, London. Department of Anatomy

32/1  Dental dissections (typescript)
32/2  *A manual of anatomy for students of dentistry* (proofs)
32/3  *A manual of dissection for students of dentistry* (illustrations)

33. Miscellaneous Material

33/1  Ronald Campbell Gunn, photographic copies of correspondence and associated papers in the Library of Kew Gardens, London
33/2  W E Lawrence, photographic copies of diaries, 1829-31  **Oversize item**
33/3  Stone implements, raw data, side scrapers and end scrapers, basic calculations; notes; draft of NJBP and Martin George, ‘Tasmanian stone implements in the collections of the Queen Victoria Museum, Launceston’ (1992); analysis of data, Martin George’s notes; information from Malcolm McKay, Cheltenham, Victoria, 1988, including his paper ‘Regional variations in Tasmanian Aboriginal stone tools’
Two scrapbooks of newspaper and journal cuttings relating to the Tasmanian Aborigines, 1823 (photocopy), 1865, 1929, 1933, 1950-1978

**Oversize items**

Archives Authority of NSW, photocopies of historical records:
- Journal of a voyage to King’s Island by James Fleming, 1802-03;
- official letters relating to VDL, 1809-22;
- Governor Davey’s record book, 1813;
- index to land grants VDL, 1810-23;
- papers re claims Norfolk Island and food supplied to VDL from Norfolk Island 1810-14;
- list of civil and military officers, Sydney, Norfolk Island, Hobart, Port Dalrymple, 1810;
- number of settlers 1819;
- survey of Macquarie Harbour 1819

**Oversize item**

French explorers, photocopies of manuscript material re Ventenat etc; Esperance; Recherche (stored in 5 boxes)

**Oversize items**

See also 51. Addendum

**34. Work in Progress**

Attention (miscellaneous letters etc) 1987-1992

Professor N T Boaz, Virginia, USA (hair follicle research) 1991-1993

Booklet, *The Tasmanian Aborigines* (original text; revised text; photocopies of articles on related topics; book review, etc, 2 files) 1993-1994


Dr Mary Fearnley-Sander (re history curriculum in Tasmanian high schools) 1993

Hair growth (article by NJBP ‘Density of the scalp hair, its length and its rate of growth in the European’, and associated correspondence) 1986-1992


Kurth kiln (published material on Professor Kurth’s charcoal kilns) 1993


Fritz Noetling (correspondence re compilation of bibliography of Noetling’s publications, 2 files) 1987-1991

Optical Munitions Annex, Hobart (includes transcript of Jill Cassidy interview with NJBP; article ‘Optical instruments… the history of the optical munitions panel, 1940-1946’, 1988-1989
ed. by H C Bolton)

34/12 Pictures of Tasmanian Aborigines (includes photographs, information on artist Robert Neill) 1987-1991

34/13 Research projects (includes list of projects in hand, and those for discussion, 2 files) 1955-1988

34/14 Stone implements (includes NJBP and Martin George paper ‘Distribution of the stone scraper, an Aboriginal stone tool, throughout Tasmania’) 1993-1994


34/16 Tasmanian Journal of Natural Science (2 reprints of NJBP’s article on the journal from the RST Papers and proceedings, vol. 103, 1969; photocopy of Hobart Town Gazette, 16 August 1823 re Agricultural Society of VDL)

35. **History of the Queen Victoria Museum**

35/1 “History of the Queen Victoria Museum to 1950” by NJBP (typescript)

35/2 Photocopies of a number of QVMAG annual reports from 1892, original copies of 1906, 1941/42, 1944/45-1950/51 reports and Museum and education, published by the staff of the QVM, bulletin no.1, March 1950, no.2, May 1950, pasted in scrapbook

See also 51. **Addendum**

36. **Wybalenna**

36/1 Correspondence etc re excavations at Wybalenna 1985-90

36/2 ‘Wybalenna working draft artefact inventory’, vols.1, 2, supplement 1; ‘Storage box contents list, boxes 16, 18 to 30’

36/3 Working draft of Judy Birmingham, ‘The Aboriginal establishment on Flinders Island: an historical archaeological rescue project’, 1987

37. **Inventories**

37/1 Inventories, contents of sealed boxes at 19 February 1987; manuscripts on 35mm film; 35mm slides

37/2 Inventory, maps

37/3 Inventory, Tasmanian Aboriginal Collection, books (typed copy, bound copy of photocopy of catalogue cards to 1980); valuation certificate and documentation Tax Incentive for the Arts Scheme, 1979

37/4 Inventory, Tasmanian Aboriginal Collection at March 1984, February 1985

37/5 Photographic negatives, unidentified
37/6  List of SLNSW pictorial material copied for NJBP, 1992
37/7  35mm slides (D’Entrecasteaux, Baudin expeditions; Museum of Mankind, London; Tasmanian Aboriginal portraits etc; Australian mammal plagues; flying fish; Ben Lomond)
37/8  Glass plates (3 boxes) and negatives relating to published research
37/9  3 tins of film

38. Ben Lomond

38/1  NJBP ‘A history of the Northern Tasmanian Alpine Club’ (typescript) photographs, maps, material and correspondence used to compile the history and also to write his THRA lecture ‘Ben Lomond: history and science’ (10 folders)
38/2  Weekly Courier 18 September 1929
38/5  A M Buchanan, The Tasmanian collecting localities of Ronald Gunn and Joseph Milligan (1988)
38/6  Northern Tasmanian Alpine Club committee meetings minute books, 1929-49 (photocopies)

39. Launceston Walking Club

39/1  NJBP, ‘First years of the club’, 1976 (typescript)
39/2  Langana (collection of stories complied to celebrate the club’s 40th anniversary; correspondence, 1979-84
39/3  Launceston Walking Club (miscellaneous pamphlets etc)
39/4  Programs, 1975-94

40. Plomley Family (Birkbeck)

40/1  Correspondence, 1966-93, including a copy of Margaret Carnegie, William Knox D’Arcy (1992)
40/2  Photocopies of Morris Birkbeck’s journal of a journey through France
40/3  Miscellaneous family material
40/4  Correspondence with Olive Pell, 1971-80; Pell-Plomley family (miscellaneous material)
40/5  Photocopies of Alfredo Birkbeck’s diary
40/6  ‘A traveller in Mexico in 1827: extracts from the journal of SB Birkbeck’, typescript by NJBP
40/7  Photocopies of Birkbeck letters
40/8 Photocopies of papers re M B Pell (2 files)
40/9 Miscellaneous Pell/Plomley documents (photocopies)
40/10 Birkbeck papers, finance (photocopies)
40/11 Birkbeck papers, mining, S B Birkbeck (photocopies)
40/12 Photocopies of articles by M B Pell
40/13 Correspondence, 1967-71, and research material associated with writing of NJBP’s Several generations (2 folders)
40/14 First and second drafts of Several generations
See also 51. Addendum

41. Photographic Material

41/1 Tasmanian Aborigines, photographs in 2 large scrapbooks, includes photographs of descendants Oversize item
41/2 Judd’s Cavern (photograph supplied by Geoff Lennox, Hobart, 1988) Oversize item
See also 51. Addendum

42. Maps

42/1 Australia. Hydrographic Service. Tasmanian maps: South East Cape to Cape Pillar (1968), D’Entrecasteaux Channel (1972), South East Coast (1973), Low Rocky Point to Hobart (1969), Hobart to Norfolk Bay (1972), Stokes Point to Circular Head (1971) Oversize items
42/2 Tasmania. 1:250,000 series, sheets 1-8, 1961 Oversize items
42/3 Photocopies of various sections of Tasmania maps Oversize items
42/4 Photocopies of map of Tasmania, 1889 (2 copies); Tourist map Northern Tasmania, Southern Tasmania (n.d.) used in preparation of Aboriginal/settler clash (9 copies)

43. Microfilms
Note: A detailed inventory of microfilm content is available as a supplementary file

43/1 Baudin Expedition 1800-4
43/1.1 – 34 Public Library of South Australia. Archives Copying Project French Historical Records from Societe Francaise du Microfilm (34 reels)
43/2 Public Records Office of New South Wales and Tasmanian Colonial Offices
43/2.1 – 9 Mitchell Library. Public Record Office, London. nos.17, 18, 21, 25, 30, 31, 43 (9 reels)
43/3 Settler Papers
43/3.1 – 8 Mitchell Library. RC Gunn correspondence and papers, c.1832-72; letters from Sir WJ Hooker, 1833-53 (8 reels)
43/3.9 – 10 Mitchell Library. JS Calder papers re Tasmanian Aborigines (2 reels)
43/3.11 Mitchell Library. GW Evans sketch of VDL, 1820
43/3.12 Mitchell Library. W Bedford papers, 1823-43
43/3.13 Mitchell Library. G & R Dixon letters, 1821-23
43/3.14 – 15 Mitchell Library. George Hobler journals, vols.1-10, 1825-56 (2 reels)
43/3.16 Mitchell Library. Perkins. Exploration at Pipers’ River, 1821; Sorell, A1353; Arthur A2162
43/3.17 Mitchell Library. Thomas Scott papers, 1822-46
43/3.18 Mitchell Library. HM Hull. Tasmanian historical notes, 1804-72
43/3.19 Mitchell Library. George Tobin journal on HMS Providence, 1791-93
43/3.20 Mitchell Library. Jorgen Jorgenson
43/3.21 Mitchell Library. Rev. T H Braim. Aborigines of VDL
43/3.22 Queen Victoria Museum. W E Lawrence diary, 1829-31
43/4: William Sorell & George Arthur – Papers
43/4.1 – 5 Mitchell Library. W Sorell letterbooks, 1818-24; correspondence, 1817-20; papers, 1817-22 (5 reels)
43/4.6 Mitchell Library. Sir George Arthur. Aborigines, 1825-37
43/4.7 Mitchell Library. Sir George Arthur papers re Jorgenson, Ross, Sorell, Stirling, VDL Co.
43/5: French National Archives
43/5.1 – 55 Archives Nationales Serie Marine (55 reels)
43/6: French National Archives (FM Series)
43/6.1 – 15 Archives Nationales Serie Marine (15 reels)
43/7: New South Wales Archives
43/7.1 NSW Archives Office. 1824 muster
43/7.2 NSW Archives Office. 1820 muster
43/7.3 NSW Archives Office. Applications for land, 1811-38
43/7.4 NSW Archives Office. Government orders etc. made by Governors of NSW to 1821
43/8: Public Records of Tasmania: Colonial Secretary’s Office
43/8.1 – 6 Archives Office of Tasmania. CSO1, 315-335 (5 reels)
43/9: George Augustus Robinson – Papers
43/9.1 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson VDL journal, 1830
43/9.2 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson Aboriginal vocabularies, Tasmania
43/9.3 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson journals, Port Phillip Protectorate, 1839-40
43/9.4 – 7 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson, vols.21, 22, 23, 24, 41, 42, 43, 44 (4 reels)
43/9.8 - 10 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson, vols.45-51. (3 reels)
43/9.11 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson, A7033, part 2
43/9.12 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson, vols. 4, 32, 34, 38, 39, 40
43/9.13 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson papers re Flinders Island, 1832-40
43/9.14, 16 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson. MLA 7022, 7023, 7024, 7026, 7028 (2 reels)
43/9.15 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson journals, Flinders Island, 1836-39
43/9.17 – 18 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson VDL journals, 1830-33 (2 reels)
43/9.19 – 20 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson papers, vols.10, 11 (2 reels)
43/9.21 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson papers, vol.13
43/9.22 – 25 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson papers re Van Diemen’s Land, 1829-30, 1832, 1833, 1834-35
43/9.26 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson papers, Port Phillip Protectorate, 1839-41
43/9.27 – 31 Mitchell Library. GA Robinson’s journals, 1831-37; selected documents Flinders Island papers; J Backhouse; Tasmanian Aboriginal vocabulary (5 reels)
43/9.32 Bibliotheque Municipal de Caen. M. Flinders papers 43/10: D’Entrecasteaux
43/10.1 French Archives. D’Entrecasteaux, Baudin, Verreaux
43/10.2 French Archives. Marion, D’Entrecasteaux, Baudin, La Place
43/10.3 - 5 Mitchell Library. Voyage D’Entrecasteaux, Helouis transcripts
43/10.6 - 7 Archives Nationales Serie Marine (2 reels)
  43/11: Assorted Official Van Diemen’s Land Documents
43/11.1 Mitchell Library. Tasmanian general musters, 1816-18
43/11.2 Mitchell Library. VDL exploration reports, 1826-28
43/11.3 Queen Victoria Museum. RC Gunn correspondence held in Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew (donated by Mr Burns, 1959)
43/11.4 Mitchell Library. VDL. Reports of prisoners tried 1824-31
  43/12: Miscellaneous
43/12.1 H Lourandos, ‘Forces of change’ (thesis, 1980)
43/12.2 Archives Office of Tasmania. Newspaper reports on Aboriginal/settler clash
44. Tapes
44/1 Smithies/Hall, no.1, 1976
44/2 Hal,. no.2; Northern Tasmanian Alpine Club, 1977
44/3 Northern Tasmanian Alpine Club, discussion with H L von See and NJBP, no.1, c.1977
44/4 Northern Tasmanian Alpine Club, discussion with RG Hall, Gilbert McKinlay, Fred Smithies and NJBP, no.2
44/5 Eric Scott, interviewed by NJBP about his father, HH Scott and the QVM, c.1979
44/6 Cape Barren women, ABC Radio interview
44/7 Ida West, recorded at SLT, Hobart, November 1980, August 1981
44/8 Bill Riddle, Flinders Island, concerning Islander community, 12, 13 July 1980 (2 tapes)
44/9 ABC Radio, Bill Bunbury Social History Unit, ‘That’s history’ France-Australie, ‘We always came too late’, (1, 2); ‘La Terre Sauvage’, (3), nd

45 to 48 Restricted. Permission to access these papers should be made in writing to the Director of the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery.

49. Miscellaneous Items

49/1 Stamp album. Papua, British Solomon Islands, New Guinea stamps.
49/2 Postage book. Record of stamps purchased by NJBP and recipients
of correspondence, 1983-86
49/3 Stamp album - assorted stamps; FJ Melville, British New Guinea (1909); FJ Melville War stamps of Salonika and Long Island (1916); B Armstrong and CH Greenwood, War stamps of the Allies 1914-1920 (nd); Stanley Gibbons Priced catalogue of stamps of the British Empire (1930)
49/4 Two letters addressed to HC Allport, 1853; envelope addressed to Miss Allport, 1855; letter from HS Merriman, 1888
49/5 Sydney University. Undergraduates souvenir (1927)
49/6 NJBP’s comments on novels and other books, written in 1988 diary
49/7 The Launceston Naturalist April/May 1990. Contains information supplied by NJBP re formation of Launceston Field Naturalist Club
49/8 Captain Cook’s landing place historic site (pamphlet, nd); Service of thanksgiving for…Sir Peter Medawar, London, 1987; Memorial [service] …Sir Richard Kenneth Green, Launceston, 1961
49/9 Miscellaneous Christmas cards etc
49/10 Rosamund McCulloch 1905-1971, catalogue of memorial exhibition at TMAG, 1972 (2 copies)
49/11 Crossing the Equator certificate, Talisman, 1966

50. Objects

50/1 Bethel Flag (for correspondence see 47/11) (Oversize item)
50/2 Small tapestry embroidered with lion? and NJB Plomley
50/3 University of Sydney centenary medal, 1852-1952
50/4 Small crest of Emmanuel College (University of Cambridge)
50/5 Launceston Walking Club badge
50/6 Small badge in shape of a flag inscribed with letters A A
50/7 Medallion inscribed ‘Ville du Havre’ on obverse, ‘Avec les compliments de la Municipalite’ on reverse, suspended from key ring, in case
50/8 Truganini medallion, 1976, in case
50/9 AM (Member of the Order of Australia) medal inscribed Norman James Brian Plomley on reverse, small medal, lapel badge and bar, in case (1979)
50/10 Clive Errol Lord medal, awarded to N J B Plomley, 1983, in case
50/11 Centenary of the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery 1891-1991 medallion, in case
50/12 Abel Tasman 1642-1992 medallion, in case

51. Addendum

2. Robinson Papers
2/10 Testimonial from J Burnett, Colonial Secretary, re G A Robinson’s appointment to Conciliatory Mission, 19 February 1831 (2 copies)
2/11 Letter from G A R, 30 August 1836, re theft from Government Stores, Flinders Island
2/12 Return of population of Flinders Island, August 1838 (printed paper)
2/13 Letter from Robert Clark, Flinders Island, 11 August 1838
2/14 *Protectors of Aborigines*. Van Diemen’s Land. Colonial Secretary’s Office, 22 August 1838 (re G A R and removal of Aborigines from Flinders Island)
2/15 *Aborigines Question*. Report from Committee with minutes of evidence, 12 October 1838
2/16 Australian Aborigines Protection Society. *A portion of a reprint…* (Bath, 1865)
2/17 G A R, *Stray lyrics* (pages 3-7 of a proof sheet)
2/18 G A R, *Silvan minstrelsy* (printed poem on a single sheet)
2/19 Eleven Aboriginal names for VDL places (one page in G A R’s hand?)
2/20 Manuscript ground plan of British Museum
2/21 Poster for lecture by E W Stephens, ‘The world & its ways’ (C19, England?)
2/22 Pencil sketch by S Westbrook, ‘East Cove and South Pass Deal Island, Kents Group, Novr 22nd 1866’

9. *French Expeditions*

9/18 Xerox copies of French Archives relating to marine expeditions, Archives de Caen  *Oversize item*
9/19 Labillardiere extracts by Peron of sections relating to VDL (photocopies)  *Oversize item*
9/20 John Pinkerton, *A general collection of the best and most interesting voyages…* (1812) From the French of M Peron (photocopies)  *Oversize item*
9/21 *Rapport…la Favorite, commandee par M Laplace..1829-1832* (photocopies)  *Oversize item*

30. *More Published Works*

30/10 Baudin book (large sheet of proof pages, cover, advertising leaflet)  *Oversize item*

33. *Miscellaneous Material*

33/7 Scrapbook of newspaper, magazine cuttings etc on various topics  (Illustrated London News, 31 March 1877 loose inside back cover)  *Oversize item*  1950-1983
33/8 Letters associated with Caleb H Parry’s *An essay on the nature… merino breed of sheep* (1807)  1807
33/9 Letter dated 14 February 1876 describing Mount Bischoff, written  1876
on VDL Company, Emu Bay and Mount Bischoff Tramway, Engineers Office, Emu Bay writing paper
33/10 Small pencil sketch of ‘Patriach’, with negative
33/11 *Evening News*, Sydney, 16 June 1920 (re arrival of Prince of Wales)
33/12 *Robbery under arms* (program, Saturday 28 March, Pavilion Theatre, Whitechapel)

**35. History of Queen Victoria Museum**

35/3 Miscellaneous noted assembled by NJBP for a history of the Queen Victoria Museum (notebook and 3 folders, includes draft, correspondence from E O G Scott; A Montgomery *Geological notes in and around Launceston* (1892); extract from G Winter thesis on Royal Society of Tasmania (1972))

**40. Plomley Family (Birkbeck)**

40/15 Samuel Bradford Birkbeck, ‘Rough draft of a pamphlet on Mexican mining, 1837’
40/16 Samuel Bradford Birkbeck, accounts, 1829-65
40/17 Birkbeck family correspondence, 1803-41
40/18 M B Pell. *Railway accident: final report and minutes of evidence* (Sydney, 1858)

**41. Photographic Material**

41/3 Map of Flinders Island Aboriginal settlement (colour photograph)
b & w print of J S Prout ‘Louisa’s return’, in folder with pen & ink sketch of 3 Aborigines *Oversize item*

**Abbreviations**

ABC Australian Broadcasting Corporation
ACT Australian Capital Territory
ADB Australian Dictionary of Biography
ALMFA Allport Library and Museum of Fine Arts
ANZAAS Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science
AOT Archives Office of Tasmania
BBC British Broadcasting Corporation
CBE Committees and Boards of Enquiry
CO Colonial Office
CSO Colonial Secretary’s Office
GAR George Augustus Robinson
HRA Historical Records of Australia
LCC Launceston City Council
Other Sources

QVMAG, Community History, QVM 3, 1945-52 (Director), 1987-94 (Honorary)

QVMAG, Community History, 1989.OH.4; 1994.OH.42; 1998.OH.4

QVMAG, Annual reports 1984/1985 onwards, for projects funded by the Plomley Foundation


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