

1st December 1854

I am commanded by the Lieutenant Governor to inform you that he has perused your letter dated 30th of November, and addressed to the Chief Commissioner of the Gold Fields. His Excellency repeats that you are to enforce the existing laws with temper, moderation and firmness. The Major General Commanding will personally conduct a considerable reinforcement of military and artillery at Ballarat.

The force will leave Melbourne tonight and proceed at the usual marching rate.

(signed)

J Moore

The Resident Commissioner H.E M to No.62

What is this country else but Australia? Is it any more England than it is Ireland or Scotland, France or America, Italy or Germany? ... The latest immigrant is the youngest Australian.