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MARTIAL LAW DECLARED IN THE DISTRICT OF BUNINYONG.

PROCLAMATION By His Excellency SIR CHARLES HOTHAM, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Colony of Victoria, &c, &c., &c. WHEREAS bodies of armed men have arrayed themselves against Her Majesty's forces and the constituted authorities, and have committed acts of open rebellion: And whereas for the effectual suppression thereof it is imperatively necessary that Martial Law should be administered and executed within the limits herein-after described; Now I, the Lieutenant Governor of the said Colony, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, do hereby command and proclaim that Martial Law from after Twelve of the Clock at Noon on Wednesday, the sixth day of December instant, shall and may be administered and executed against every person and persons within the said limits who shall at any time after the said hour commit any act of rebellion, any treason, any treasonable or seditious practices, or other outrage or misdemeanour whatsoever within the following limits, that is to say: Commencing at the junction of the Yarrowee River and Williamson's Creek, thence by a straight line to the junction of the Lal Lal Rivulet with the Moorabool River; thence by that river to its source in the great Dividing Range; thence by that range to the boundry of the Country of Ripon, and by that boundry south-westerly to the township of Carngham, at Bailie's Creek; thence by a line south-easterly to the junction of the River Yarrowee with Williamson's Creek aforesaid: And I do hereby, with the advice aforesaid, order and authorize all Officers commanding Her Majesty's Forces to employ them with utmost vigor and decision for the immediate suppression of the said rebellion and offences, and to proceed against and punish every person and persons acting, aiding, or in any manner assisting in the said rebellion and offences, according to Martial Law, as to them shall seem expedient for the punishment of all such persons: And I do hereby especially declare and proclaim, that no sentence of death shall be carried into execution against any such person without my express consent thereto; And I do hereby, with the advice aforesaid, notify this my Proclamation to all subjects of Her Majesty in the Colony of Victoria.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, this fourth day of December, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and in the eighteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

(L.S) CHAS. HOTHAM,

By His Excellency's Command, JOHN FOSTER

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

PROHIBITION OF ARMS AND SUPPLIES.

PROCLAMATION By His Excellency SIR CHARLES HOTHAM, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Colony of Victoria, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS by a Proclamation bearing date the fourth day of December, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight-hundred and fifty-four, within the following limits, that is to say: Commencing at the junction of the Yarrowee River and Williamson's Creek, thence by a straight line to the junction of the Lal Lal Rivulet with the Moorabool River; thence by that river to its source in the great Dividing Range; thence by that range to the boundary of the county of Ripon, and by that boundary south-westerly to the township of Carngham, at Bailie's Creek; thence by a line south-easterly to the junction of the River Yarrowee with Williamson's Creek aforesaid: Now therefore I, SIR CHARLES HOTHAM, the Lieutenant Governor aforesaid, do hereby proclaim, and declare that no arms, ammunition, munitions of war, food or supplies, shall from and after the said last mentioned day be brought, without my consent, within the limits aforesaid; And I do hereby notify the same to all subjects of Her Majesty in the Colony of Victoria.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, this fourth day of December, in the year of Our Lor One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and in the eighteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign. (L.S) CHAs. HOTHAM.

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