

Recognizance to give evidence: Henry Goodenough

For a transcription of the recognizance to give evidence pro-forma, see the recognizances assembled against James Beattie, John Joseph, Charles Raffaello and John Fenwick.

Transcription of the depositions against John Dignum begin on page two (or the third image) of this document. Recognizance to give evidence: Henry Goodenough No. 96.

(M.)

(11 and 12 Vic., c. 42.) DEPOSITIONS OF WITNESSES. _____

Colony of Victoria Ballarat

To Wit The examination of William Revell of Ballarat in the colony of Victoria taken on oath, this ninth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four at Ballarat in the Colony aforesaid, before the undersigned one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the _____ said colony, in the presence and hearing of Thomas Dignum who is charged this day before me for that he the said Thomas Dignum on the third day of December 1854 at Ballarat in the colony aforesaid did * with other false traitors unlawfully, maliciously and traitorously fire at, attack and kill certain troops of Our Sovereign Lady the Queen. This deponent William Revell on his oath saith as follows*

PW his deponent William Revell on his oath saith I am a trooper in the Mounted 40th. I was at the attack at Eureka on the morning of the 3rd instant. While the firing was going on I saw about six men run away from the stockade. Prisoner Thomas Dignum was one of them " he had a long iron bar sharpened at the end like a spear. Four of us went away after them. Prisoner Dignum made a thrust at me with his spear and struck my mate. I pulled up and struck him on the head with my sword. The prisoner Richard Allen was one of the six also I saw him come from the stockade; one of the six men threw a pistol away my mare was slightly wounded in the off flank.

William Revell

William Revell resworn saith I cannot be mistaken in the identity of prisoner Thomas Dignum for I cut him on the head "he has a cut on his head now.

William Revell

Sworn before me At Ballarat this 9th Dec. 1854 E. Sturt PM

The prisoner declines to make any statement and is committed for trial at the gaol delivery in Melbourne in January 1855 "The Queen

v. Thomas Dignum for High Treason

Wm. Revell

26 March 1853

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Prisoner Discharged

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