

Botanic Gardens Ballarat January 17th, 1871

To the Mayor
And Members of the City Council
Gentlemen

The chief work done for the past month 3 men digging the Acacia border the second time this season 1 man mowing and finished the hay harvest Paving off Turf,, making openings to prevent fire in the upper part of the reserve,,

Forked all the front Borders over a second time this season owing to the wet spring where the present rains just met their wants,, staking and tying plants carting and spreading gravel dung soile,, Nursery work poting seedling pines Layering plants put in cuttings collected seeds

Donation 2 Queensland Doves by Mr. T Davey
Donation by Mr Shoppee seeds from Fiji and Friendly Islands

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Botanic Gardens Ballarat February 14th, 1871

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The chief work done for. the month Hoeing Acacia Walk paired several openings on the East side of the Main Avenue to prevent the grass from being burnt
Hoed borders staking watering and tying plants,, Cut Rosemary and mowing Carting soil and dung

Nursery work poting and repoting seedlings and cuttings Collecting seeds

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The chief work done for the past six week, Digging and Ploughing on the east side of the Main Avenue South,, grubing and loping some of the Old Gums, made open drains on the same Block cutting Hedges and rosemary mowing weekly raking and hoeing walk Carting Compost for top dressing, grass loams
Here I beg to inform you that the Old Mare on the 17th of March is returning from Ballarat with the empty dray drops down and died immediately
Having had permission of His Worship the Mayor to go to Sydney – with a letter from Mr Comb to Mr Moore the Curator of Sydney Botanic Gardens from whom I received much kindness with a collection of 150 choice plants also 60 lbs of English Acorns, 250 one year seedling oaks and a packet of seeds From Guilfoil and Son I purchased £4.19.0 worth of plants – a donation 16pt
From Mr Shepherd £1 with a donation of 60 very choice plants

I obtained over 300 plants – worth 2/- per plant – all through- Last season I purchased for the Water Commission 2lb acorns-at 5/- per lb and seedling oaks one year old £2.10.0 per 100

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