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Journal of His Majesty's Ship "Tasmania"

Mr. Thomas Seaton Surgeon

Between the 27<sup>th</sup> of September

And the 27<sup>th</sup> of December 1844

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Copy of the Sick List

of the Female Convict Ship "Tasmania"

between 27<sup>th</sup> of September and 27<sup>th</sup> of Decmber

Date	Name	Age	Quality	Disease	Taken off	Disposed of
Sept 27	Elizabeth Umstall	18	Convict	Disease of Toe nail		Left under treatment
Sept 27	M.A Ryan	20	"	Sequelie of Syphilis	Nov <sup>r</sup> 13 <sup>th</sup>	Died
Sept 30	Margaret Coates	22	"	Abortion	Oct 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Died
Oct 3	M.A Joblyns	35	"	Abdominal rupture	Applied to get bandages	
Oct 5	Martha Hill	20	"	Prolonged constipation	Oct 8 <sup>th</sup>	To duty
Oct 8	Margaret	19	"	Wound of head	Oct 18	To duty

<sup>1</sup> Each jep digitalisation page is placed at the head of the page that begins on it.

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Oct 11	Emma Driver	14	“	Gleety discharge	Oct 28	To Duty
Oct 11	Mary Wilson	18	“	Ditto	Nov 3	To duty
Oct 13	Frances Francis	30	“	Gleet Fistula	Refused Medical Assistance	
Oct 20	Rebecca Crooks (AOT Crookes)	19	“	Attempted suicide	Oct 27	To duty
Oct 26	Lydia Johnson	23	“	Gleety discharge	Nov <sup>r</sup> 20	To duty
Oct 27	Bridget Blenkinsop	28	“	Threatened miscarriage	Nov <sup>r</sup> 7	To duty
Oct 31	Rachael Ramsden	35	“	Fit of indigestions	Nov <sup>r</sup> 3	To duty
Nov <sup>r</sup> 1	Marion King	19	“	Severely bruised	Nov <sup>r</sup> 4	To duty
Nov 5	Emma Wells	28	“	Inflamed tonsils	Nov <sup>r</sup> 13	To duty
Nov <sup>r</sup> 6	Mary Eldridge	46	“	Bilious Diarrhea	Nov <sup>r</sup> 20	To duty
Nov 14	Bridget Mack	33	“	Cold & Fever	Nov <sup>r</sup> 20	To duty
Nov 17	Jean McKurdy [On AOT as McIrdy]	29	“	Scalded face	Nov <sup>r</sup> 27	To duty
Nov <sup>r</sup> 19	Bridget Blenkinsop	28	“	Confinement	Dec <sup>r</sup> 20	To duty
Nov 24	Bridget Walsh	33	“	Scalded thigh	Dec <sup>r</sup> 4	To duty
Nov 25	Eliza Smith	34	“	Scabies	Dec <sup>r</sup> 5	To duty
Nov 25	Esther Boraston	24	“	Scabies	Dec <sup>r</sup> 5	To duty
“	H A Hipsley	32	“	“	Dec <sup>r</sup> 5	“
“	Sarah Miers	22	“	“	Dec <sup>r</sup> 5	“
“	M A Woods	25	“	“	Dec <sup>r</sup> 5	“
Dec <sup>r</sup> 5	Sarah Smith	44	“	Severely	Dec <sup>r</sup> 11	To Duty

				bruised		
Dec <sup>r</sup> 8	Emma Fear ON AOT as Farmer	19	“	Constipation	Dec <sup>r</sup> 12	To duty
Dec <sup>r</sup> 10	Charlotte Davis	130	“	Cold & fever	Dec <sup>r</sup> 19	To duty
“	M A Smith	14	“	“	“	“
Dec <sup>r</sup> 18	Nancy Farrar	23	“	Ophthalmia	Dec <sup>r</sup> 23	To Hospital

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#### Children

Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Charles Johnson 6ms marasmus Oct<sup>r</sup>. 26<sup>th</sup> Died

Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> James Blinkinsop 5yrs Contused finger Oct<sup>r</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>

Oct 20<sup>th</sup> Mary Walsh 10 Wound of head Oct<sup>r</sup>. 31

Dec 11<sup>th</sup> Martin 10 Falls down hatch and slightly bruised

#### Crew

Nov 2 Dugald Leitch 40 AB Falls from Main yard (sic) Nov<sup>r</sup> 25 To light duty

Nov<sup>r</sup> 14 – Mosely 17 Apprentice Erysipilas (sic) Nov 21 To duty

Dec 15 – Cole 18 Seaman Wound of foot Jan<sup>y</sup> 4 Paid off

Dec 29 John Welch 27 Seaman Wound of foot Jan<sup>y</sup> 8 Ship Left

Thomas Seaton Surgeon Super (The folded page will not allow the rest of the word to be seen)

#### Appendix No.11, and Art. No.32 of the Surgeon's Instructions

MEDICAL and SURGICAL JOURNAL of His Majesty's Convict Ship "Tasmania between 27<sup>th</sup> September and 27<sup>th</sup> December during which time the said ship has been employed in that service.

Name of Disease	No of Case	Men's Names, Ages, Qualities, Time when and where taken ill and how disposed of	The History, Symptoms, Treatment and Daily Progress of the Disease or Hurt
Sequelie of Syphilis		Mary Anne Ryan Aged 20 Factory Girl	Left her home two years since: About a year ago she had a Venereal complaint for which she had no medical advice, with the exception of something, which the woman, at whose house she was lodging gave her, & which apparently relieved her: about two months ago she experienced a great deal of scalding in making water, attended with a profuse discharge and this time she was committed to Wakefield house of correction. In a week's time after her committal her throat became sore, for which a Blister was applied and some pills given, which gave partial relief but her mouth did not become in any way sore: she was then removed to York Castle and placed under the care of Mr. Campion: At this time she first felt pain in her limbs, while her sore throat returned with a difficulty in swallowing: she again took some pills (she thinks aperient <sup>2</sup> ) and powders at night to procure sleep, combined with hot baths but without effect. After two months she came up to London and was placed in Millbank Prison under the care of Dr Baly. She now began to experience pains in the forehead with great tenderness on pressure; she remained in this place three months taking different medicines but refusing mercurials and was much worse on leaving than when she entered the Penitentiary: she has now been on board the Tasmania about a month and until the last few days has obstinately denied having any venereal taint about her but owned to being of intemperate habits.

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<sup>2</sup> Aperient: laxative

			Sep <sup>r</sup> 27 <sup>th</sup>
			<b>NEW PAGE</b> <b>PA300727</b>
Sequelie of Syphilis		Mary Anne Ryan <sup>3</sup>  Continued	<p>Sep<sup>t</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> Admitted into the Hospital: She is now very debilitated and emaciated, great pains in the limbs and forehead much increased at night, with sore throat, both tonsils ulcerated and covered with thick ropy mucus which she is constantly hawking up and trying to get rid of, difficulty of swallowing, loss of appetite, no discharge, no swelling in the groin and no sore, but a cicatrix in right groin</p> <p>R: Pil: Hyd g<sup>r</sup> iii tir die:</p> <p>Gargle throat with a nitric acid gargle</p> <p>Sept<sup>r</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> &amp; 29<sup>th</sup> Throat better: same as before anodyne at night.</p> <p>Sept<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> Very heavy all day from anodyne</p> <p>Oct<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> drachm potasse Hydroid ii</p> <p>Aqua Oj. Cap<sup>r</sup> an ounce<sup>4</sup> tir die Complains of mouth getting sore Throat much better</p> <p>Oct<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Has been daily progressing, sleeps much better. Throat nearly well: only takes one Pill a day – proceed with the medicine: An ounce of wine at bedtime: tried a little portable soup but did not like it.</p> <p>Oct<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> has been going on favorably till the 13<sup>th</sup> when the inability to sleep returned and from the tone of voice the chordal vocales<sup>5</sup> seemed implicated resume pills: continue mixture. Allowed some fresh mutton:</p> <p>Oct<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Intense pain in forehead, the bone sensible enlarging eye sight much affected:</p>

<sup>3</sup> On this page Anne

<sup>4</sup> All measurements are given in symbols

<sup>5</sup> Medical term for vocal chords

			<p>very weak allowed another ounce of wine blister to temple, dress it with blue ointment.<sup>6</sup></p> <p>Oct<sup>r</sup> 18 &amp; 19 Much the same: delirious at night very worn with pain: allow broth</p>
Premature Labor		<p>Margaret Coates aged 22 no trade Has been previously transported, and this was the third conviction. Sept<sup>r</sup> 27<sup>th</sup></p>	<p>Was brought to Millbank last April and on admission was in good health &amp; denied being in the family way: in about ten days she wished to see the Medical Officer as her bowels were much confined and she was constantly sick, tho' she still denied being pregnant; some castor oil was given and effervescing draught for two months when she declared herself better and expressed a wish to go into the laundry as there she should be allowed Porter and would soon get strong: she however could now conceal her state no longer &amp; and gave as a reason for her previous denials that she was afraid she would not be allowed to leave Millbank till after her confinement: when she came on board she was in good health but in the course of a couple of days complained much of sickness &amp; in a weeks (sic) time applied to the medical officer for some aperient medicine<sup>7</sup> as her bowels had not been open since she had been on board: she had some pills without effect and on the following morning some salts which afforded considerable relief and her sickness left her. Shortly after her sickness returned, and on Friday morning Sept<sup>r</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> I saw for the first time she applied for some aperient medicine , a powder was given and she was told if it did not operate again to apply the nurse (sic), this she did and nothing now was heard of her till Monday Sept<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup></p>

<sup>6</sup> a grease-based ointment containing 20% finely divided metallic mercury, formerly widely used for local application to the skin for the destruction of body lice. Risk is associated with transdermal absorption of mercury and a local dermatitis. <http://www.drugs.com/dict/blue-ointment.html>

<sup>7</sup> laxative

			when I was called to her on deck: she was <b>PA300728</b>
		Margaret Coates Continued	<p>on and she then acknowledged that her bowels had not been open for eighteen days: she was instantly ordered and enema which brought away a mass of filth to her great relief and in the course of the afternoon they were opened four times more: towards evening she had slight pains and said she always did and that her labors were generally lingering affairs of two days: the sea sickness had however greatly weakened her and now nothing remained on (sic) her stomach, Tuesday 8am, She complained of great bearing down pains and in about two hours the os uteri began to dilate, she was sensible when spoken to, but was in a partly delirious state: the labor proceeded naturally, the head presenting and at 12 1/5 she was delivered of a still born male fetus, the placenta was very small, and the uterine discharge not much: she expressed her thankfulness that she was better and went into a quiet sleep: on awaking she seemed very exhausted and had some gruel with a little wine in it, during the night she was quite still but on Wednesday at 5 1/2 am a great change took place she vomited a quantity of coffee colour matter, with hiccups (sic) some amonia (sic) draughts were ordered and Turpentine enema was thrown up and the pit of the stomach was rubbed with Tr opii but she gradually sank And died at 2 pm, Service performed at 6pm.</p> <p>Thos Seaton</p>
		Martha Hill aged 19 servant girl	Is of a very costive habit, and has been particularly so during the last two months: Sixteen days ago she applied for some aperient medicine when a powder was given which freely moved her: since then

			<p>nothing had passed her bowels up to Thursday Octr 3<sup>rd</sup> on which day she came and asked for some salt merely –and on the following morning she came, as desired for a repetition of the dose, if the former had not operated : nothing more now was seen of her and I imagined she had got relief, but on Saturday Oct<sup>r</sup> 5 she was admitted at noon complaining of great bearing down pains when at stool, great desire to go to stool, but inability to evacuate from something blocking up the passage: upon examination a large hard mass was found enveloped in the fold of the bowels: as much was removed by scoop as could be safely brought away the rest was then perforated and a warm soap enema thrown up, she complained of its (sic) giving her pain, in a short time a mass about the size of a goose’s egg was removed, and on throwing up some more soap and water the rest came away she she felt almost free from pain: she then had some warm gruel and went to bed, during the night she had a motion without any pain: Sunday Octr 6<sup>th</sup> Examined bowel no injury sustained no pain on pressing the abdomen, no Fever: px al Ricin one ounce keep quiet in bed –have gruel- Octr 7<sup>th</sup> reports herself well Octr 8<sup>th</sup> Dis<sup>ard</sup></p> <p>Thos Seaton</p>
<p>PA300729</p> <p>Attempted suicide</p> <p>Brought a very bad character with her from Millbank</p>		<p>Rebecca Crookes Age 22</p>	<p>Was brought to the Penitentiary on the 7<sup>th</sup> of Feb at which time she was not in good health and had been under medical treatment: her legs and body were much swollen which she attributed to Dropsy for she assured them she was not pregnant : on being admitted she was seen by Dr. Baly for morning sickness and shortness of breath(still denying being pregnant) who prescribed for her, but the symptoms continuing and the stoutness increasing</p>



		<p>she was more closely questioned when she owned it was very likely to be the case: she was then placed in the infirmary and it was soon very evident she was far gone in pregnancy and in the early part of June she was taken in labor and after forty eight hours, during which time she was quite unconscious, she was delivered of a false conception and she was then told all her suffering was owing to her violent temper : she was left very weak.</p> <p>Shortly after it was necessary for her to have some leeches applied, which she resisted and also to take her medicine, for this she was put into one of the cells, and had the leeches applied twice, on becoming more refractory she was put under restraint and in four days more she had the hand cuffs on and was put in a straight waistcoat and for 28 days she was not allowed to have her hands at liberty all which time she was seen by the medical officers twice a day; sometimes she would take her food and medicine sometimes not: on being liberated she was placed as she wished with some steady women, with injunctions to watch her: she was soon found to have difficulty on reading, pain in right side and blue lips all which yielded to treatment: as swelling on left side of neck appeared, increasing fast and causing great pain for this she had lotion and as just now she was pretty quiet she felt herself better. A change however was now made in the women she was with, and she became worse than ever and attempted suicide by strangulation, she was discovered however and on her recovery was permitted to walk with the other women but in 4 days more she repeated the attempt and again was brought round tho some difficulty: she was now put into irons and closely watch til she</p>
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			<p>came on board the ship.</p> <p>From the very first moment of coming on board her turbulence and bad temper manifested themselves, and while off Madeira she struck the Captain for which she was put into the strong box, and on</p> <p>Oct<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> she was again confined, while being put in she said “she would not humble herself quite so soon this time”</p> <p>Oct<sup>r</sup> 20th on taking her allowance in the evening as the door was opened she felt out on deck : blood running from the nose, tongue protruding , livid swollen face and the cause was promptly found, but so tightly had she tied the tape round her neck a knife was with difficulty introduced to cut it: she was bled in the arm and Temporal Artery and after some time got quite round again: since then she has been kept very low and a little teased with Blisters, Mustard Poultices 8c</p> <p>Oct<sup>r</sup>27 allowed to rejoin her mess, promising and entire reformation: Dismissed Hospital</p> <p>Thos Seaton</p>
PA300730		Mary Ann Ryan continued	<p>Oct<sup>r</sup>20 to 23<sup>rd</sup> Debility increasing unable to sit up in bed without support: curiously while and amaurotic appearance of the eyes<sup>8</sup> , turning in bed producing temporary blindness: mouth sore again: take one pill a day; go on with Mixture: Broth: Anodyne at night if requested.</p> <p>Oct<sup>r</sup>23 to 31<sup>st</sup> Going on much in the same way, discontinued pills entirely: allow Broth, Rice (?) on the 31<sup>st</sup> she thought she</p>

<sup>8</sup> Unexpressive as if not focusing or blind

			<p>was sinking and sent a message to say she wished to see me, to thank me (?)</p> <p>Novr 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> Has rallied a little again the last few days</p> <p>Nov7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Complains of burning heat in all her bones and inability to move right arm and leg.</p> <p>Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Evidently sinking: Diarrhea has come on: at her request read to her some of the prayers out of her missal.</p> <p>Nov<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> Passed a very delirious night: but sensible to within an hour of her dissolution which took place at at 6 PM:</p> <p>Nov<sup>r</sup> 14 Commit her body to the deep at 9 AM – her mess attending</p> <p>Tho<sup>s</sup> Seaton</p>
		<p>Bridget Blenkinsop</p> <p>Age 27</p>	<p>Mother of six children three of whom are on board with her: she was first of all admitted on Oct<sup>r</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> in the morning of that she fell down the ladder and hurt her back, and in the evening she had bearing down pains, attended with a slight discharge, and feeling of sickness, all these symptoms however left her entirely in a very few days, by keeping her strictly quiet and giving her opiates and light diet and attending to the state of the bowels and she was dismissed the hospital, to be again admitted on</p> <p>Nov<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> with unequivocal symptoms of approaching labor; on going to her at 5 am I found on examination the parts well dilated and the head presenting naturally, the labor proceeded rapidly and in half an hour she was safely delivered of a male child, and the placenta came away about ¼ of an hour afterwards after lying quiet a couple of hours she was changed and had a refreshing sleep:</p>

			<p>Nov<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> passed a quiet night; bowels freely relieved passes her water without pain or difficulty: milk copious, breasts free from pain: baby strong as well:</p> <p>Nov<sup>r</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> Going on favorably –</p> <p>Nov<sup>r</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> D<sup>o</sup> D<sup>o</sup></p> <p>No bad symptoms from the first either in mother &amp; child which is a very good little fellow</p> <p>Tho<sup>s</sup> Seaton</p>
<p><b>PA300731</b></p> <p>Disease of toe nail of Great Toe connected with a venereal Taint:</p>		<p>Elizabeth Umstall</p> <p>Age 18</p> <p>Convict</p> <p>Left the ship under treatment</p>	<p>left home two years ago since then has led a very irregular life and drank hard in about six months she got diseased but was ignorant of its nature till some other woman told her, when she applied to a medical man who gave her pills and lotions which much relieved her: upon which she resumed her bad causes and all her bad symptoms returned she now had six months in Stafford jail, and was under the care of the Surgeon: on her release she went on from bad to worse, was a second time apprehended and was laid up with an attack Rheumatism (syphilitic?) and took a deal of Calomel and got much better: on arriving in London she was reported as being in good health, but she soon begun to complain and on discovering the truth pills and lotion were ordered: and now for the first time while in the Infirmary at Millbank she complained of pain in the great toe and a great part of the nail was removed in consequence</p> <p>Sep 27<sup>th</sup> on presenting herself to me she complained only of the toe, “twas (sic) was larger than the other the margins round the nail purplish red, endurated swollen, part of the nail laying black in the center and</p>

			<p>minute portions of it detached under the hard margins and the whole smelling most offensively": I carefully and gradually removed the nail for it was exquisitely painful to the touch: and then poultice with a solution of chloride of lined (lime?): I then tried Nitric Acid lotion: then Unguent of Hid (-) opio: then balo solution and gave her Blue Pill: in fact I tried every remedy short of the knife that I thought held out a fair prospect of affording relief but always with a like result, upon any change of treatment the toe for a little while seemed to improve, and then soon went back to its old state again in which plight she went to the Anson: some little while after I went to see Dr. Bowden and on enquiry found the case in about much the same state.</p> <p>Tho<sup>s</sup> Seaton</p>
<p><b>PA300733</b></p> <p>Pretended case of Haemophysis<sup>9</sup></p>		<p>Mary Martin age 26 convict Recovered</p>	<p>was committed in April last when she was in the enjoyment of good health but in about six months she was attacked with Hysteria of which however she soon got better On presenting herself she complained of fullness of the chest, but no cough, and of spitting of blood at night, and she was told to save and bring to the Hospital the next morning whatever she might bring up in the night: during that day it happened she was or thought she was likely to be punished and therefore found it convenient to spit blood in the afternoon in consequence of which she was made an in patient with strict charge to the nurse to watch her, during the first part of the evening she managed to spit a little, but without any cough or sensation of sickness, and when employed in conversation it</p>

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<sup>9</sup> Coughing up blood

			<p>ceased and towards morning it left off altogether four days there was no return of it: she then complained very much of being sick and supposed it must be thro' the blood not coming on which I gave her a powerful Emetic which made her sick but not the least sign of blood.</p> <p>She now had a swelling on the left side of her face attended with considerable pain, which she attributed to a serious blow received in a quarrel some months before: it was formented<sup>10</sup> but without any permanent relief and some small portions of bone came from the nostril, this somewhat frightened her, and she consented to try my removing a tooth which was followed by an offensive discharge, but afforded great immediate and lasting relief and I a day or two she was dismissed</p> <p>Tho<sup>s</sup> <u>Seaton</u></p>
<p><b>PA300733</b></p> <p>Old, neglected, venereal sores combined with Piles, Filth and Gonorrhoea</p>		<p>Francis Francis Aged 30 Convict Went to the Anson uncured</p>	<p>An Inveterate drinker: a beastly, disgusting dirty woman: her whole history is a narrative of continued disease and her disregard of it For five years she has never been free from venereal taint, and Piles in addition: For many weeks, she was in the "Lock" at Liverpool where some of the Piles were removed by ligature and the Warts by Caustic: on her apprehension she complained of pain and swelling of the legs and shortness of breath and constant pain in the head; she then became low spirited, and her memory began to be impaired so that she was unable to state in the morning what had taken place the night previously – At Millbank she was under medical care but on coming on board ship she again began</p>

<sup>1010</sup> Applying damp warm cloth

			<p>to neglect herself and it was sometime after I took charge before she applied to me and was then denied any discharge or any improper complaint till I insisted on an examination but what with old cicatrices accumulated filth it was quite impossible to say what disease was by strict cleanliness (- --) a great change was soon effected, and no doubt with the assistance of medicine she would get well-she thought however I did not understand her constitution so refused to take anymore: her washing herself however I thought I could enforce and did</p> <p>Thos Seaton</p> <p><b>PA 300734</b> A NOSOLOGICAL RETURN of the Sic and Wounded of Her Majesty's Convict Ship "Tasmania" Mr. Thomas Seaton Surgeon, between 26<sup>th</sup> of September 1844 and the 30<sup>th</sup> of December 1844 employed on the South Australian Station.</p> <p>Pyrexiae</p> <p>Remittents 3,3 (unfinished)</p> <p><b>PA300735</b></p> <p>REMARKS</p> <p>I joined on the evening of the 26<sup>th</sup> of Spt<sup>f</sup> about five o'clock and directly proceeded to Muster the women down: I found on board "one hundred and ninety one" Female Convicts being the number originally embarked and "twenty four", one of them having died a day or two before hand viz "George Douglas"</p> <p>Of the women who died Mary Anne Ryan applied to me on the morning of the twenty seventh and was directly admitted into hospital she complained of sore throat:</p>
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			<p>she had contracted her disease a considerable time before but had never had it professionally attended to until she became a prisoner and for some time after that denied having a Venereal taint: she suffered much and gradually got worst to her dissolution: the frontal bone was much swollen and a few days before her death she became completely amaurotic:</p> <p>Margaret Coates applied for aperient medicine only but from her whole appearance and her cast of countenance I judged her worst than she admitted to be and forthwith sent her into hospital: she had suffered much the whole voyage from sea sickness and was greatly reduced in consequence: she had concealed her pregnancy as long as she possible could and much dreaded her labor: it presented however no unusual features whatever except in being premature and in the death of the Foetus but after its expulsion nature made no effort to rally and she gradually sank in twenty four hours without apparently suffering any pain: The case of attempted suicide is arranged under the head of "Mania" but owes its position to the nature of the act itself, more than to any maniacal tendency in the woman: I was satisfied in my own mind that it was coolly (sic) deliberately planned and executed without any consideration as to the consequences but merely because she thought it would be a constant source of anxiety and uneasiness to me: and here I would venture to suggest to propriety of substituting for the round wholes which are cut along the top of the sides of the punishment box and iron grating in the door thro' which the Dr Master and Officer on duty could more easily see than at present, and it would also prevent the possibility of anything being passed within</p>
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			<p>A straight waistcoat or two would also be an acquisition</p> <p>No other case of a severe nature, except that of "Martha Hill" in whom through prolonged constipation the obstruction was obliged to me removed mechanically</p> <p>While in the Tropics the younger children suffered a little from prickly heat, but it soon left them and on the whole both they and the women were generally healthy</p> <p>Three women were very troublesome and the cause of many a disturbance on board viz:</p> <p>Matilda Phillips – Evidently deficient intellect</p> <p>Sarah Smith –at times very noisy and turbulent <b>PA300736</b> Abusive: she was too subject to a species of fit nearly allied to epilepsy which had impaired her memory, but she presumed upon her malady and affected a degree of eccentricity greater than was warrantable and lastly –</p> <p>Ellen Adams- Who was the most troublesome and dangerous of the three, she was shrewd and malicious with strong natural abilities but her imagination was affected owing to which she used to fabricate the most unaccountable tales yet narrate them with such an air of plausibility and seeming health and (?) as would impose upon anyone not aware of her state.</p> <p>All on board had been vaccinated except four adults viz C Watson, G Pollard, M Medicott (?) and S Clarke, I tried them with some matter I had procured at Madeira but without effect: that which Dr Blund gave I delivered into the Hospital at Hobart Town</p>
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			<p>as he had strictly charged me to do</p> <p>But one Birth occurred on board, in which case both Mother and Child did extremely well: Brid<sup>t</sup>. Blenkinsop</p> <p>Thos Seaton Surgeon Supert ("Tasmania")</p>
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