

Sydney August 15th 1827

Mr James Blackman a Settler residing at Bathurst having this day appeared before the Board as the Applicant Referee states as follows, I have known the applicant John Peisley for about 12 years past, he is a married man and has a large family of 10 children eight of whom are still living with him. He was free before I first knew him about 12 years ago and I have always found him an honest industrious man. He has 30 head of cattle at pasture on my farm at Bathurst, 16 of them are cows mostly in Calf and the rest are young bullocks and steers. He has also 3 working bullocks, 2 horses and a mare on his farm at Prospect besides 30 head of sheep (***) and 20 pigs at Parramatta where he resides.

I have also seen money with him to the amount of £100 or upwards which I am satisfied belongs to himself the Schedule of *** therefore which he has laid before the Board may be considered as *** correct.

James Blackman Jun^r