

[This page not to be written upon.]

MINUTE PAPER No. ²²⁵⁹ ₈₄ [Colonial Secretary's Office No.]

FROM THE Warden Mr Kennedy
No. [Departmental No.] Dated 29 14 1884

Subject: Re Seduction of his daughter by Mr Campbell
Prappi Manager Semautti -

FURTHER PAPERS ENCLOSED: Nos. 1494
178

ACTION TAKEN: Letter to Mr Kennedy No. 68
812 date 2 5 1884

Govt. Order to No. date 188

To

His Excellency

Warden Kennedy again writes about
his daughter. He was told by a letter on
23rd July last that Your Excellency could
not interfere in a matter of this nature.
He now asks that the matter may be
investigated, & enclosed correspondence.

30. 4. 84 ^x M.D.
28

L.S.

Reply that, which I feel sympathy
for Mr. Kennedy under the painful
circumstances alleged of him, I do

NINETE PAPER No. 257
The Editor of the Boston Herald
Boston, Mass.

Will see how I can properly take any
steps in the matter.

2-5-84 F.A. 18

Mr Kennedy written 2-5-84

[Faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]

[This page not to be written upon.]

C.S. to Governor

As requested I lay before Your
Excellency the attached letter dated 19th
July from Col. Warden M. Kennedy. M.F.
21.7.83

C.S.

I cannot interfere in a
matter of this nature.

F.A.B.

21.7.83.

Mr Kennedy informed 23.7.83.

✓

1494
178

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Document: Dated 19th July 1883.

From Warren M. Kennedy

To Colonial Secretary

Nature and Subject.

Re seduction of his daughter, by Mr. Campbell
Station Master of Fremantle.

Replied to 23. 7. 83.

2259

84

Exmouth

29. 1. 84

To The Hon: The Col: Secretary

Sir

With reference to my letter of 19th July (83) wherein I complained of the conduct of Mr Campbell Station Master Exmth. he having seduced one of my daughters. At that time I was unable to lay before you, evidence, of such a nature as leaves no doubt whatever in the matter, and the Immoral character of this irreproachable and respectable Station Master's conduct who in virtue of his Public Position should be the protector of Females, I am now prepared to prove that Mr Campbell used his or the Public Office for a meeting with my daughter, he Campbell taking my daughter, (and giving her the presents of Jewellery which was forwarded on the 19th July (83)) to his Office. I am prepared to show that a Railway employee named Stevens has been acting as the letter-carrier and messenger between Campbell and my daughter on reference to one of Campbell's letters it will be seen that Barron another Public Servant had some interest or was cognisant of the intimacy existing between them. My daughter a short time before her confinement removed to Perth and resided at the house of a Mr Rice and three days after her childbirth was visited by Mr Campbell in the absence of Mr Rice. On whose return knowing Campbell to be already married and understanding how matters stood she ordered Campbell to leave the house, he and my daughter then left eventually going to Mr Connors Public House Perth my daughter residing there for about three weeks and was visited by Mr Campbell every Saturday night.

staying till Sunday Night. Mr. Campbell telling the
servants that was the way he visited Guilford and that
the Night trains were very useful. - My daughter
about July or August returned to Freem^{Co} and resided
at Mr. Agnew's (Sailor) for a few Nights. On one Night
Mr. Agnew, Mr. Hossack (Builder) and Mr. Jarvis (Builder)
watched and seen Mr. Campbell meet my daughter and
both proceeded to the Old Cemetery, in consequence of
such Meeting. Mr. Agnew very properly turned her out,
she then procured a house or Campbell did for her, and
since then there has been repeated disturbances in
the locality the Neighbours being incensed and dis-
gusted at the visits of Mr. Campbell, and on one occas-
ion the windows of the house were broken, and on another
the door of Mr. Alpikes was broken in mistake for the
one that Campbell was in. so far Public appreciation
of Campbell's conduct. - A Mr. Welby related to me
a row or fight at Midnight between my daughter and
Campbell. - a good number think that Mr. Campbell's
salary must be very large or that there is a screw
loose somewhere it will be seen on reference to his
letters that in Aug. '83 he gave my daughter £12/-/-
besides supporting a wife and family, who reside
about four hundred yards from the scene of his
visits. - Mr. Campbell has lately ceased to give my
daughter or her child any pecuniary assistance and
Mr. Snook called on me some time since to save her
from starving. I asked and obtained the Correspondence
now enclosed and forwarded in the hope that Hon. Sir
you will lay the matter before His. Ex. The Governor. Noting
the abuse of a public Office and the aid and cognisance
of two public Officials or servants in the matter.
Trusting that His. Excellency will have the matter in-

-vestigated so as to put a stop to such a public scandal
on the part of one who should set a better example.

I have the honor to remain
Hon: Sir

Your very Obedient Servant

To the
Hon: The Col: Secretary
Perth

M: Kennedy
Colonial Warden

P. S. Please return the letters enclosed
after perusal. —

1494
Fremantle 178
19. July 83

To

The Hon:

The Col: Secretary

Hon: Sir

I regret

very much in having to adopt the present course
(Law at present being powerless in the case) in the hope that
Hon: Sir, you will be good enough ^{to bring} the matter to the
notice of His Excellency the Governor. The case is
one of a more personal or private character and
shows the character of Mr. Campbell (Station Master in
Gov: employ Frem^{le}) in a very immoral point of
view. Mr. Campbell being married and residing
with wife & family in Frem^{le}. - One of my daughters
was employed at Mr. Agnew's (Tailor) Frem^{le} as a
Machinist. - In November (82) she came home
sick, the report being then current of her pregn-
ancy by Mr. Campbell. - The matter (owing to my
incessant duties) did not come under my notice
until the 22nd of last month. I accused my daughter
of the Intimacy, she denied it. I then ordered her
mother to have her examined by Dr: Hope (Frem^{le})
who done so and pronounced her "Enicient" and very
near Child-Bed. - On the same day my daughter
left her home, and resided for a few days with a
Mrs. Knapton (Frem^{le}). I, knowing, that she had no
Money, or means, to defray expenses, sent a letter
by her mother, requesting the name of her seducer
and father of her child, intimating my intention of
bringing the case before the Res: Magistrate (Frem^{le})
Not so much to recover Maintenance, or Pecuniary
Satisfaction, as the desire to give publicity to this

heartless and wanton case of Seduction.

My Daughter declined any explanation until she had Mr. Campbell's advice or until she had seen him. Accordingly her Mother called next day and was informed that Mr. Campbell was consulted, and that on account of his Reputation My daughter declined any further information save that Mr. Campbell said I her Father might go to Law as I liked for he Mr. Campbell would sell every stick in his place sooner than be beaten. This Answer was given in presence of Mr. Knappton to my wife Mrs. Kennedy. — After my daughter's interview with Mr. Campbell, she seemed pretty well supplied with money, purchasing under-clothing and etc. & giving a One Pound note to her brother, to get changed. My daughter in the beginning of the Month removed to Perth, and there, gave Birth to an Illegitimate child, but who bears the expenses necessary, can easily be ascertained by Serg^t. Rowe. — Relative to the Jewellery enclosed About October (82) My daughter (in question) accompanied by her Sister and a Miss Tully were met by Mr. Campbell in Fife^{shire} who informed My daughter that, there was a parcel at his Office for her, and if she would call he would give it to her she called and received the parcel which contained One Brooch and One pair Ear-rings (Gold) the same now forwarded, from whom received Mr. Campbell could no doubt throw some light as it is reasonable to suppose that all parcels are entered

and paid for. - I ascertained that the Articles
were purchased at Mr. Mason's (Jeweller. Frem¹⁰)
who cannot recollect the Purchaser.

I am in possession of undoubted and reliable
information from respectable sources of my
daughter being frequently seen in Mr. Campbell's
Company in out-of-way places.

Hon. Sir Considering the details as above, leaves
no Moral doubt whatever of a Criminal Intimacy
existing between my daughter and Mr. Campbell
which Conduct in one holding the position of
a Public Servant that Mr. Campbell does is
in the Mildest term Reckless and Wanton

Hon. Sir Knowing full-well a Moral and un-
-impeachable Character Meets with your Hon.
Approval and is in accordance with your desire
and wish to see Cultivated by the Subordinate
Officials under your Hon. charge. I now
submit these details, leaving the Matter in
your Hands to render me Justice. -

I have been in Govern^r employ Military Includ^d
about 40 Y^{rs} and enjoys a Pension of About
£80.0.0 per An^{nu} and am at present a Col^{el}.

Warden employed at Lun^{atic} Asylum Frem¹⁰
Note Value of Jewellery £3.0.0 Stev^r

I have the honor to remain
Hon. Sir

Your Very Obedient Servant.

M. Kennedy Esq Warden
Lunatic Asylum
Fremantle

To
The Hon. The Col^{el} Sec^{ry}
Treasury