

December 26th 1846

My dear Sally

This letter from Mary
Anne Heron is the only one
which came by the September
packet; we pitying indeed
our poor old friend Dr
Poiré, about a disappointment
which he has met with in
procuring a commission for
his son, and requesting every
interest in his favour. Poor
man, if he have nothing better
than that to trust to I fear he
will be a little wiser. Mr Swan

Some heard by the same packet
of the death of his father, by which
he is very much affected. Mr
Agnew and myself undertook
his duty for him yesterday. He
is also uneasy about his sister
Mr Bernbury, who had not
been well, and is expecting her
confinement every day: and
this sad news coming at such
a time may have a serious
effect. But I trust not. All is
going on well here. I shall be
happy to hear from you that
little William's mouth has got
quite well again. Also that
you have received both the
boxes. Tomorrow I go to Newtown
to hold a conference, and take
Lady Stephen with me, who is to be
among the members. Your ever
affectionate husband W. G. Australia