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and gaol. Has found no valuable minerals, but some curiosities and petrifactions. Recommends Burke to succeed Gibbons as Chief Justice.
Col. Cor., C.B., vol. 70, p. 503

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July 27,
Sydney.

Mathews to Secretary of State (Portland). Sends account of coals raised and vended; account current and vouchers for payments. Not having obtained copy of the lease with Tremain & Stout, they had entered into an obligation to him, copy of which is enclosed. 235

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August 4,
Sydney.

Miller to Secretary of State (Portland). Justifies Tremain & Stout in regard to their conduct in the working of the collieries, against the charges made by His Grace. Col. Cor., C.B., vol. 70, p. 513

Enclosed. Extracts from letters of 31st October, 1794, and 2nd April, 1795. The letters themselves will be found at these dates. Duplicates of the letter of 4th August and enclosures are at p. 547 of same volume.

August 4,
Sydney.

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