Letter from Whitehall objecting to the establishment of a bank in NSW

Suggestion by Macquarie conveyed to Home Authorities that a Government Colonial Bank be established in NSW, met with the disapproval of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade April 30 1810. NRS 897 [4/1726, pages 126-127; Reel 6043]

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Sir.

The Lords of the Committee of

Council for Trade & Foreign Plantations having

had under consideration the Extract of a Letter

from Gov^r Macquarie dated Sydney New South

Wales 30 Apr 1810 (transmitted by you on the 11th

Inst) suggesting the Expediency of establishing a

Government Colonial Bank for the reasons

therein represented, I am therefore directed to acquaint you for the information of the Earl of Liverpool that it appears to their Lordships that there are many objections to the Establishment of a Bank in New South Wales however advantageous such an Establishment may have proved to the settlement at the Cape of Good Hope. The Lords of the Committee, however are of the opinion that it might be advisable that an issue of Dollars of not more than £10,000 in amount, should take place, as such a measure might prove

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of essential service towards relieving the difficulties complained of in the said

Letter of Gov^r Macquarie.

I am etc.

Signed W Fawkener