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A Copy (Duplicate)

Rev. S. Mansden to the Judge Advocate.

January 9th 1817-

Sir

(Ack'd March 12/18 by the Isabella)

A Letter appeared in the Sydney Gazette signed
"Philis Free" which no doubt you have seen, and which I
consider contains a Libel on my private and public character
as Principal Chaplain of this Colony. - I beg to call your
Attention to one particular Paragraph in this Letter
beginning with the following Words "In former times the active
and enterprising spirit of the Jesuits" and ending with
"whose never dying names are there trumpeted forth." I
would further observe that there are other Paragraphs in
this Letter of which I have just cause to complain
Having stated the above I have only to request you will
file, or allow me to file in your Name a Criminal
Information before the next Criminal Court against the
Printer of the Sydney Gazette for the said Libel.

I have the Honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient
humble Servt

To The Honourable

M^r Judge Advocate Wyldes

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(Signed) "Sam'l. Mansden"