

stated to this Deponent that he (the said George Howe) had no controul whatever over the said Newspaper (the Sydney Gazette) nor could he insert even the smallest paragraph on any subject therein without the sanction of Mr. Secretary Campbell, and he (the said George Howe) regretted that all the parts of the Newspaper, excepting what was occupied by the Government orders was not left wholly under his direction, and then he (the said George Howe) would answer for it, there should be no part of its columns offensive to any individual — and the said George Howe then said, there had been but one other Libel published in the said Newspaper since its first publication and that was written by the Author of the present Libel "Philo Tree" and against the same person — and the said George Howe then also stated to this Deponent, that John Thomas Campbell, Esq. Secretary to his Excellency the Governor, was the person who brought this original manuscript signed "Philo Tree" to the Gazette office, and delivered the said manuscript into his (the said George Howe's) hands in the printing office, and that he (the said George Howe) without looking at the Contents of the said letter handed the same then and there, in the presence of the said John Thomas Campbell, to George Williams, who was one of the printers in the Office, to compose for the press — and that the said Mr. Campbell had enjoined secrecy upon the said George Howe as to the said Letter, — and saith that the said George Howe declared to this Deponent more than once or twice during the said conversation between the said George Howe and this Deponent, that the said Manuscript letter was in the hand writing