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To,
His Excellency Sir Thomas Brisbane
K. C. B. Captain General and
Governor in Chief in and over His
Majesty's Territory of New South
Wales and its Dependencies

to to to

The humble Petition of John Fitzgerald
born Deaf and Dumb
Most Respectfully Sheweth

That your Petitioner was tried
at the Old Bailey London in September
1818 and arrived in this Colony per
Ship Baring 2^d Lomb Master, in
the year 1819 under Sentence of
Transportation for Life.

That Petitioner's Father was a
private Soldier who fell in Battle and
that your Petitioner was born Deaf
and Dumb has been in the immediate
employ of Government ever since his
arrival, in the Shoemakers' Shop, and
trusts his Conduct on Examination will
be found such as to merit your Excellency's

Indulgence

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Petitioner therefore most humbly
implores your Excellency to take into your
humane Consideration his unfortunate
Case of being Deaf and Dumb together
with his long Servitude and to sign to
grant him a Ticket of Leave as he is
well able to support himself at his
Trade as Shoemaker

And for such a Mark of
your Excellency's favor
Petitioner as in Duty bound
will ever pray &c

John Fitzgerald

Sydney
New South Wales }
10 Oct. 1822 }