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Salvado

Friday, 7 January 1859

F.Salvadó, Toodyay

Salvado, [New Norcia]

Correspondence, Spanish

NB #7 Belated greetings. He hopes the reaping was completed, and that New Norcia has been spared brushfires. On Christmas Eve the bush from Toodyay to York and Beverley was ablaze, possibly the result of a lightning strike on Spring Hill. Everyone seems to agree on that, which is most unusual. Mostly grass, but about 100 acres of wheat was burnt, and some animals were lost. Rain on 30th saved the day.

Glad to hear that Garrido is with fellow countrymen, and that their mission is so successful

New Year's day brought sad news from home: his father's death in mid-July, and since then two cousins have died, one of them a parish priest returned to Spain from Italy. Salvadó finds these things hard to bear alone, and asks for their prayers.

Serra did not visit as expected. He will have had good cause not to come, Salvadó supposes.

Salvado appears to have spent more time there (in Perth?) than might have been expected at this critical period. It will have been as God wills.

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