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“The Vagabond” and Pentridge Gaol

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Our Cover



Our cover is taken from the above print of Pentridge gaol or prison in Coburg, Australia, presumably 1873. The prison was the subject of an article by “The Vagabond” in the Melbourne *Argus* in 1877. Willa McDonald examines the work of John Stanley James, who was known as “The Vagabond,” as early Australian literary journalism. The original Pentridge Prison article follows. Image source: *The (Melbourne) Australasian Sketcher with Pen and Pencil*, October 4, 1873, page 4. Courtesy National Library of Australia. Artist unknown.