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DEADLINE DATES:- 1 January, 1 April, 1 July, 1 October

EDITORIAL

Greetings,

This issue has an "at random" flavour with a little something for everyone. The Beswicks seem to have had a great time up in the north-east making new friends and gathering old relations.

Peter Woolley has done a lot of work on the Pyengana Cemetery and burial records. Then there is the article labelled "Dear Sister Kate" (I named it that) which relates a stone for stone description of rough mining in the Zeehan-Dundas area on the West Coast of Tasmania.

At last we have a list of all exchange journals available for the Branches. This has been an area neglected by members. Do make use of other journals; you never know, great auntie Maud may be lurking in the pages just waiting to be discovered.

Allison Carins has been very busy on her family research and has given us the article "They that go down to the Sea in Ships". This notes all her immigrant ancestors, where they came from, why and on which ships they came. Allison has a great deal more to offer and I hope we will see more of it in print.

For the September issue the Editorial Committee has decided on the theme Tasmanian Family Businesses and we would like something from each Branch please. A family business can be any enterprise handed on from one generation to another, a shop, farm, trade, profession, etc. It does not have to be in your family but you would have the interest if the business was. It would be great to hear from some members who have not written for our journal before.

For those who want to remit their articles on disc remember our pages are 48 lines deep by 70 characters to the line. Enthusiasts may run on to 6 pages. We hope you like a theme now and then.

Jenny Gill,

Associate Editor.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I start my report very pleasingly by congratulating a personal friend, Mrs. Irene Schaffer on being this years winner in our Family History Award for Manuscripts, conducted by the Devonport Branch, which I would like to thank for its participation. Ten entries were received and I would like to thank all those who entered.

The Family History Award has now been divided into three categories;

1. Manuscript - a hand written or typed book, not reproduced for selling etc.,
2. Home produced - typed and reproduced/copied for selling and
3. Published book - Commercially

With the 1993 Award being for a Commercially Published book.

St Catherine's Records for 1868 - 1889, our first shipment of 22 years, have been circulated within the branches over the last three months, the next 22 years hopefully will have arrived and been evenly distributed by the time this report is being read. If we are able to continue to get a good exchange rate another 22+ years may be able to be purchased.

VDL Heritage Volume 3 and Supplementary Congress papers have been printed and are now available at a cost of \$16.00 each, plus postage. The Tasmanian Sources book, of which 1,000 copies were printed, is currently being revised, as stocks have being totally exhausted. Hopefully the 2nd edition will be available mid-1993.

Project and Publications Reporting forms have been adopted by the State Executive and Branches. Any members undertaking a genealogical type project, be it personal or other, are asked to contact their branch and fill in a report. Our aim is to compile a central register which could prove very beneficial - similar projects are being initiated by some other Societies, maybe an Australian Central register could eventually be co-ordinated.

The State Executive has agreed to the continual housing of Exchange Journals in the Hobart Branch Library. Exchange Journal Liaison Officer, Mrs. Thelma McKay will be compiling for publication in our own journal a list of interesting articles from various other journals. Any further inquiries on articles should be directed to Mrs. Thelma McKay, C/- Hobart Branch, GPO Box 640G Hobart 7001.

Arrangements for Interlibrary loan is to be via your Branch.

A very enthusiastic group of Queenstown members, to be known as Queenstown Family History Group, have got together to arrange regular meetings in their area - their meetings are on the third Monday of each month at the Council Chambers 8.00 p.m. For further information contact Pauline Lycett on (004) 711504.

In closing I wish to take this opportunity to wish all members a safe and prosperous Christmas and a rewarding New Year.

REVISED PROGRAMME OF INSURANCES

The State Executive advised that a full review and upgrading of the Society's insurances had recently been completed. This exercise was conducted on the Society's behalf by Registered Insurance Broker, Lockett and Franklin Pty. Ltd., and as a result of its advice and professional attention, the Executive has formally appointed the said company to continue to act on Behalf of the Society in relation to all current and future insurance requirements.

To acquaint the members with what insurance protection the Society now has in place, the following brief resume is submitted.

1. Asset Protection

The total belongings of the Society are now fully protected for their replacement value following loss and/or damage caused by Fire, Explosion, Earthquake, Storm and Tempest, Rainwater and other extraneous water, Riots, Strike, Malicious damage, Aircraft, Burglary and/or Accidental Damage up to \$5,000.00. The significant improvement in the range of events now insured against is "Accidental Damage". This really means that any loss by an unforeseen event will be insured against.

Instead of having a fixed limit of cover at each and every location, the Society now enjoys a flexible amount of cover on all assets whilst they are anywhere in the State, but subject to a maximum of \$55,000 at any one location at any one time.

Cash takings are now covered and this extends to the private residences of members who are authorised to have the Society's money. This cover at homes is limited to overnight only and the money should be banked as soon as possible.

2. Liability Protection

This indemnity of Legal Liability to others has been increased to \$5,000,000.00 and extends to include:

- Liability arising out of goods sold
- Tenant's liability to property owners
- Individual liability of members and/or to other members

3. Income Protection

Should any member be injured whilst working in a voluntary capacity on behalf of the Society and as a result of that injury lose income, a benefit is now available to that member.

As previously indicated this is only a brief summary, but further details are available from the State Executive.

FAMILY HISTORY AWARDS

1992

The competition for 1992 was for a Manuscript with a substantial Tasmanian content.

Of the ten (10) entries received and presented to the judges "Private George Smith of His Majesty's Royal Marines", presented by Mrs. Irene Schaffer of Hobart, was selected as the winner. The judges found the work interesting and detailed, rich in anecdotal material and a valuable document for the Smith descendants, portraying character traits clearly.

1993

At the Executive Meeting at Campbell Town on the 15th August it was resolved that in future there be three categories i.e.

1. Manuscript - being a hand written or typed work not reproduced and which has not been offered for sale at the closing date of award acceptances.
2. Home published book - being a work that has been typed or produced as a computer printout which has been reproduced for sale by photocopying or a like process.
3. Commercially published book - being a work which has been typeset, printed and bound in a commercial manner

The 1993 award will be for a commercially published book (Category 3) that has been published since January 1990. The closing date for entries is 31st March 1993. Entry forms are available from all Branch libraries or by writing to Family History Awards, PO Box 60, Prospect, Tasmania 7250.

AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH

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Assistance on hard-to-locate ancestors.

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BRANCH NEWS

BURNIE

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The November meeting was the final one for 1992. There will be no meetings in December 1992 or January 1993 and the first meeting for 1993 will be on the 16th February.

The Burnie branch has recently purchased a computer and printer for use in the library and in indexing work.

The indexing of the births, deaths and marriages from the early North West papers is well under way with members working very hard to copy these records.

DEVONPORT

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The speaker at the August meeting was Wayne McCulloch who spoke about the origins of family names and heraldry. A visit to the Ulverstone Primary School to use material in the Local History Room was held in October. The annual Christmas break-up took place at the November meeting. This was also the occasion when the new library premises were officially opened by Alderman Ian Day.

Fundraising activities continue to be successful. Activities planned have been cent evenings, a trash and treasure stall at the Don Market and a Christmas hamper raffle. The winner of the Crochet Rug raffle was Sue McCreghan of Ulverstone.

Members were pleased to have the opportunity of visiting the Launceston Branch Library when the St Catherine's House Index, 1868-1878 was available for transfer to the Devonport for use in the library for a limited time. The years 1879-1889 will be available in the Branch library for a period during 1993.

HOBART

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The Branch's fund raising project (to provide a new Reader/Printer) is still under way and at the end of August over \$2,000.00 had been raised and the executive would like to thank all those members who have contributed thus far. However we still have a long way to go to reach the target of \$9,000.00 and I, as President, am sure the

Treasurer would welcome more donations to the Library Fund so that the best equipment available can be provided for members' use.

In spite of the cold weather that Hobart has had in the last three months the monthly general meetings have been well attended. Mrs. Maree RING gave a very informative talk "The Australian Joint Copying Project" at the July Meeting. I am sure many new members who attended the August Meeting would have benefited from Mr. Graham THOM'S talk on "Beginning Your Family Research". Anyone who was interested in Hobart's old buildings would have enjoyed the slide presentation by Mr. Martin DAVIES at the September Meeting entitled "A close look at Hobart's Hidden Buildings".

An OPEN DAY was held at the Library on Saturday 5 September 1992 from 10am to 1pm and was very successful; 12 new members resulted from that activity. Thanks to the library staff and others who participated on that day.

The two Special Interest Groups in our Branch, The V.D.L. & Norfolk Island Group and the Computer Users Group, are flourishing and receive active participation from the members of the Branch. We would like to see other Special Interest Groups formed eg: English, or Scottish, or Irish Research Groups. If anyone would like to start up such a group please contact the President or Secretary.

As the festive season approaches the Hobart Branch Committee would like to wish all the members of the HOBART BRANCH a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Kevin Green, speaking on Immigration at the February meeting, will be the first guest speaker for 1993. The March meeting will be a Family history workshop.

HUON

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Congratulations to convenor Joe Stephens and his committee for the great success of the Mini-Market and Car Boot Sale in September. The quantity of goods which appeared on the day was indicative of the support received from the members. we were fortunate that a member took all the second hand stock off our hands and that some members, especially John and Thelma Grunnell were available to attend Elphin Market to sell off the remaining produce and plants. The remaining craft work will be available at Meeting and Library trade tables. Thank you to all members for your support and to Joe and his committee for their efforts.

Unfortunately the Adult Education classes were cancelled but it is hoped that they will be made available again early in 1993.

The November meeting was a Members Night: "Problems, Questions and Research Experiences." For the last meeting of the year, on the 1st December, we look forward to hearing from Lilian Watson on research in Scotland.

A very serious few hours were spent on the 12th September when 12 members from Devonport visited the Launceston Branch library. With so much for them to look at, there was no time for idle chatter. They all found the trip very worthwhile.

COORDINATORS' REPORTS

INTEREST GROUP REPORTS

Van Diemen's Land Norfolk Island

We are about to enter our third year as a group and if the next two years can be as productive as the last, I think we are in for some really good things.

The membership has reached 120 and still coming in.

The July excursion was held in Hobart, under clear skies (it had rained the day before) and 37 members attended. It was pleasing to welcome 5 members who had come down from the North of the state. We began our walk with a short talk from Martin Davis, who, as always, helped to make it a very interesting and entertaining day. We were very lucky to have Mr. Peter Mercer show us around the Bond Store behind the Museum.

We all agreed that we went home with many questions, as there were a great number of discoveries, places that even those born in Hobart were unaware of. After lunch in the Duke of Wellington Hotel we made our way up Harrington Street and then back to our starting place at Hunter Street.

The next excursion was from Hobart to Broad Marsh, a search and find day, spent looking at bridges and a number of interesting cottages along the main road. It was a day with a difference.

Excursion books, booklets and leaflets are still available. We have added some interesting ones written by our members:

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| Stathfieldsaye Immigrants 1834 | \$2.50 |
| Jolly Hatters Inn, Hobart | \$2.50 |
| The Drunken Admiral and the Beulah Girls, 1851 | \$2.50 |

Irene Schaffer, Convener.

LIBRARY NOTES

BURNIE

The Burnie Branch Library will close for the Christmas break on Tuesday 15 December 1992 and re-open on Tuesday 12 January 1993.

The library will open at night on a trial basis only at the following times:

Tuesdays January 12, 19, 26, February 2 and 9 from 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

DEVONPORT

The library continues to be open on the second Saturday afternoon of each month as well as the Wednesday and Friday opening times. Those wishing to use the library on the Saturday are advised to contact Isobel Harris (004 24 5328) to obtain details for entry into the building.

The library will be closed from 4.00 p.m. on 16 December 1992 until 9.30 a.m. on 27 January 1993.

Recent acquisitions to the library have been:

Microfiche:

Queensland cemeteries - Nundah, Mt. Gravatt, Dutton Park, Lutwyche.

Tasmanian Assisted Passengers Records 1841-1889

UK Census Directories - Norfolk 1839

Leicester Poll Book

Westminster Poll Book

Elham, Kent Baptismal Register 1865-1908

Elham, Kent Marriage Register, 1837-1918

Books and Maps:

Genealogical Research directories - 1988, 1991

Shipping arrivals and Departures, Sydney 1841-1844

St Catherine's House Districts booklet and maps

Registration and Census Districts 1837-1851

Registration and Census Districts 1852-1946

HOBART

Accession since 30 June 1992:

Library Holdings of Cornwall FHS 1992*

Australian Joint Copying Project, Part 8

Walkers - 160 years in Australia 1832-1992*

Where in Tasmania it is or was*

Diary of Henry Brinton-1843*

Australians Killed in Action, WWII*

Guide to Famous London Graves*
 Walch's Tasmanian Almanac 1961, 1968-69, 1969-70, 1970-1971*
 Medical Directory of Australia 1968, 1970, 1972*
 Van Diemen's Land Early Marriages 1803-1830
 GST Members Interests 1991*
 Wagga & District FHS Members Interest Register 1992*
 NZ FHS Members Research
 St Catherine's House Districts
 NSW Archives Concise Guide Handbook, 2nd edition
 Genealogical Research Directory, 1992
 Fourth Fleet families of Australia
 Miscellaneous Certificates, volume 2.
 Rags or Riches

Family History Award Entries

The Ark that Binds*
 Family of John and Eliza Dare*
 Overell Odyssey*
 Watson*
 Hoddy/Williams*
 Two Families in Tasmania 1821-50, John Kerr & Henry Dixon*
 Kibbles Building through History in Australia 1833-1988*

* complimentary or donated

Microfiche:

Geelong Cemeteries Trust (4 cemeteries)
 Tasmanian Assisted Passenger Records, 1841-1889
 Concise Guide, Archives of NSW
 English Census Directories Project including:

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| West Yorkshire | 1853 | Suffolk | 1896 | Norfolk | 1839 |
| Herts | 1839 | Surrey | 1839 | Sussex | 1839 |
| Hunts | 1839 | Bedfordshire | 1839 | Cambridgeshire | 1839 |
| Suffolk | 1844 | Hants | 1859 | IOW | 1859 |
| Yorks, South | 1868 | Derby-North | 1868 | Notts, North | 1868 |
| Berks | 1891 | Oxfordshire | 1891 | Norfolk | 1869 |

LAUNCESTON

The Launceston Branch Library will close at 4.00pm on Saturday 12th December and re-open on Tuesday 5th January 1993 at 10.00am.

The following microfiche for the County of Kent have recently been acquire by the Launceston Branch Library:

Parish Registers

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| Foot's Cray | 1559-1812 | North Cray | 1538-1812 |
| St. Mary Cray | 1579-1812 | St. Paul Cray | 1579-1812 |
| Crayford | 1558-1812 | Dareth | 1578-1812 |
| Ifield | 1751-1812 | Milton next Gravesend | 1559-1812 |
| Northfleet | 1539-1812 | Stone-next-Dartford | 1718-1812 |
| Sutton at Home | 1607-1812 | Wilmington | 1683-1812 |

Smeeth Register transcript CMB1569-1838 + Banns, Indexed.

St. Peter Thanet (Broadstairs) C1800-1819; C1819-1836; M1754-1801; M1801-1930; B1801-1820; B1820-1836.

St. Mary Walmer B1560-1945

Canterbury, St. George the Martyr CMB1661-1738; CMB1738-1799; Archbishops Register Bills 1731-1812

Canterbury, St. Andrews CMB1711-1812; M1754-1812

Canterbury, St. Alphage CMB1677-1777; CB1778-1812; C1813-1846; M1775-1791 + Banns; M1791-1812; M1813-1837; B1813-1864

Canterbury, St. Paul's CB1778-1812; C1813-1844; M1813-1837

Canterbury, St. Mary Northgate CB1778-1812; M1793-1812; M1813-1837; B1813-1840

Others

1835 Poll Book for the Western Division of the County of Kent

Poll Book for the Eastern Division of Kent 1832-1852 and City of Canterbury Poll Books 1818, 1830, 1832

Poll for the electors for MPs to represent the City of Canterbury in the year 1780

Poll for the electors for MPs to represent the City of Canterbury in the year 1835

Poll for the electors of MPs to represent the City of Canterbury 1837, Feb 1841, 1857, 1865, 1868.

Dover Register of electors 1802 and memorial inscriptions of St. Martins burial ground.

St. James', Dover, memorial inscriptions.

Canterbury Marriage and General License Register 1811-1825 (General License Vol 35); Ditto 1828-1840 (General License Vol 36)

Parish Catalogues Headcorn to Hurst; Parish Catalogues Warden to Yalding

Archdeaconry Court of Canterbury 1449-1712 Index of wills alphabetically by surname; ditto alphabetically by parish

Archdeaconry Court of Canterbury Register of wills 1713-1859 alphabetically by surname Adams-Jacob; ditto Jarrett-Young.

EXCHANGE JOURNALS

The Genealogical Society of Tasmania Inc. currently exchanges its journal, *Tasmanian Ancestry*, for 100 journals and 17 newsletters from other societies. While the collection, which includes journals from all Australian states and territories, New Zealand, England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Isle of Man, Canada and Belgium, is housed in the Hobart Branch Library items are available for inter-branch loans. Members living in other areas of the state who wish to arrange to have journals forwarded to their Branch Library for a short period of time should request the loan through their branch and the requested journals will be forwarded to the Branch Library for use in the Library.

The following is a list of the journals and newsletters received:

| SOCIETY | JOURNAL |
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| ACT | |
| Heraldry & Genealogical Society of Canberra | THE ANCESTRAL SEARCHER |
| NEW SOUTH WALES | |
| Society of Australian Genealogists | DESCENT |
| Fellowship of First Fleeters | FIRST FLEET NEWSLETTER |
| The 1788-1820 Pioneer Association | THE 1788-1820 PIONEER GAZETTE |
| Bega Valley Genealogy Society | THE VALLEY GENEALOGIST |
| Blue Mountains Family History Society | THE EXPLORER'S TREE |
| Botany Bay Family History Society | THE ENDEAVOUR |
| Broken Hill Family History Group. | BROKEN HILL NEWSLETTER |
| Cape Banks Family History Society | KITH AND KIN |
| Casino & District Family History Society | THE CROSSING PLACE |
| Central Coast Family History Group | THE MUSTER |
| Coffs Harbour History Society | GENIE-ALLERGY |
| Cowra Family History Group | EAGLE EYE |
| Dubbo Macquarie Family History Society | WESTERN CONNECTIONS |
| Griffiths Genealogical & Historical Society | IBIS LINKS |
| Gwydir Family History Society | INSEARCH |
| Hawkesbury Family History Group | THE HAWKESBURY CRIER |
| Illawarra Family History Group | ILLAWARRA BRANCHES |
| Kiama Ancestral Research | KHANTERINTEE |
| Lithgow and District Family History Society | LITHGOW PIONEER PRESS |
| Lithgow and District Family History Society | PIONEER NEWSLETTER |
| Liverpool and District Family History Society | LINKS 'N' CHAINS |
| Manning Wallamba Family History Society | THE FIG TREE |
| Nepean Family History Society, | BULLY TIN NEWSLETTER |
| Nepean Family History Society | TIMESPAN |
| Orange Family History Society | JOURNAL |

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| Parkes and District Historical Society | PARKES & DISTRICT |
| Richmond-Tweed Family History Society | THE CEDAR LOG |
| Ryde District Historical Society | THE RYDE FAMILY HISTORY GAZETTE |
| St. George Family History Society | FOSSICK AND FIND |
| Shoalhaven Genealogical Society | TIME TRAVELLER |
| Singleton Family History Society | THE PATRICK PLAINS GAZETTE |
| Tilligerry Family History Group | LEMON TREE |
| Wagga Wagga and District Family History Society | MURRUMBIDGEE ANCESTOR |
| Wyong Family History Group | TREE OF LIFE |
| Young and District Family History Group | THE LAMBING FLAT LEADER |

NORTHERN TERRITORY

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| Genealogical Society of Northern Territory | PROGENITOR |
| The Remote Area Genealogist | RAG GENEALOGIST |

QUEENSLAND

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| Cairns and District Family History Society | ORIGINS |
| Central Queensland Genealogical Association | THE CQ GENEALOGIST |
| Darling Downs Family History Society | THE GAZETTE |
| Family History Association of North Queensland | RELATIVELY SPEAKING |
| Genealogical Society of Queensland | GENERATION |
| Gladstone Branch - GSQ | THE LINE |
| Gold Coast and Albert Genealogical Society | ROOTES |
| Gympie Ancestral Research Society | THE RESEARCHER |
| Ipswich Genealogical Society | BREMER ECHOES |
| Maryborough District Family History Society | FOREBEARS |
| Mount Isa Family History Society | MOUNT ISA JOURNAL |
| Prosperine Branch of GSQ | BRANCHING OUT |
| Queensland Family History Society | QUEENSLAND FAMILY HISTORIAN |
| Rockhampton Branch-GSQ | CAPRICORN CONNECTIONS |

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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| South Australian Genealogy & Heraldry Society | THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN GENEALOGIST |
| South East Family History Group | SOUTH EAST NEWSLETTER |
| Yorke Peninsular Family History Group | YORKE PENINSULA NEWSLETTER |

VICTORIA

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| Australian Institute of Genealogical Studies | THE GENEALOGIST |
| Descendants of Convicts Group, GSV | THE MAIL |
| Geelong Group - Genealogical Society of Victoria | THE PIVOT TREE |
| Genealogical Society of Victoria | ANCESTOR |
| Genealogical Society of Victoria, | VICTORIAN GUM |

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| Lakes Entrance and Districts | -using computers |
| Swan Hill Genealogical and History Society | FICHE-ING AROUND |
| Yarram Genealogical Group | MALLEE ROOTS |
| | YARRAM NEWSLETTER |

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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| Western Australian Genealogical Society | WESTERN ANCESTOR |
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| New Zealand Family History Society | THE FAMILY TREE |
| New Zealand Society of Genealogists | THE NEW ZEALAND GENEALOGIST |

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| Federation of Family History Societies | FAMILY HISTORY NEWS & DIGEST |
| Society of Genealogists | GENEALOGISTS MAGAZINE |
| Bristol and Avon Family History Society | THE JOURNAL OF THE BRISTOL & AVON FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY |
| Birmingham and Midlands Society for Genealogy & Heraldry | THE MIDLAND ANCESTOR |
| Buckinghamshire Family History Society | ORIGINS |
| Cambridgeshire Family History Society | CAMBRIDGESHIRE |
| Cleveland Family History Society | CLEVELAND F.H.S. JOURNAL |
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GOULDS COUNTRY DISTRICT

Peter Woolley

The area inland from George's Bay (St. Helens) was initially opened up in the 1870s for agricultural purposes and many early settlers took this opportunity for new land along the river systems of the George River, Groom River and Ransom River. The area, extending for about 35 km northwest from Georges Bay was originally to be called Gould's Country after its discoverer in the early 1830s, Charles Gould.

The name Gould's Country came to be applied specifically to a scattered township and settlement beginning at a point about 20kms from St Helens and extending about 4 km along the main road. The township was originally to be called Kunarra, but it never developed as such and the township became known as Gould's Country.

Later the townships of "the Junction" (Lottah) and "The Blue Tier" (Poimena) came into existence and a rural district "The River" (Pyengana) developed on the Upper George River. These townships, along with Goshen, about 12 km from Georges Bay, completed the settlements known as the Goulds Country District.

Many of the descendants of the early settler families remain in the area to this day. In the early stages burials probably occurred on the properties of the settlers but the two recorded cemeteries are at Pyengana and Goulds Country. Known burials in these two cemeteries are included in this two part article.

PYENGANA CEMETERY

The first settlement at Pyengana was called Upper George's River or more commonly "The River". Situated some 30 kilometres inland from St. Helens, Pyengana lies in a beautiful valley watered by the North and South George's Rivers which join on the eastern side to form the George's River. Many of the early settlers of this area, along with descendants of their families were buried in the Anglican Church Cemetery, Pyengana. This cemetery is situated on the Weldborough Road about five kilometres north west of the junction of the Weldborough Road and the road to St. Columba Falls. The land on which the church and cemetery stand was donated by a Miss McDonald and the church was opened on 9 September 1894.

Known burials at Pyengana Anglican Church, with additional information where applicable are:

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| 01 BECKER | Alice Harriet, died 29 May 1900, aged 21 years. |
| 02 BEECHY | John Thomas, died 4 Aug 1921. Son of John and Mary BEECHY (nee LOVELL), born 13 Oct 1873, married 25 Oct 1898, Pyengana, Annie LeFEVRE, daughter of James and Jessie Greenbank LeFEVRE (nee PRATT). Mary, wife of John BEECHY, died 19 Jan 1909, aged 52 years. |

- Robert Henry, died 7 Aug 1959, aged 69 years. (Robert's wife was a Miss Singline).
- W.A. (William), 2786 Pte. W.A. BEECHY, 40th Battalion, 13 Sep 1950, aged 56 years.
- 03 CONNELLY Eric Charles, son of L. & C. CONNELLY (nee LOHREY) died 26 Nov 1937, aged 11 days. (Another transcription gives year as 1932)
- 04 DOBSON Alfred, died 25 Oct 1921, aged 73 years.
Amelia DOBSON, died 27 Jun 1927, aged 73 years.
Kenneth Edward, died 18 Feb 1936, aged 15 years. (Another transcription gives date 18.5.1936)
- 05 EVANS Nancy, wife of Hector E. DOBSON, died 24 Apr 1931.
Ellen, died 11 Jan 1936, aged 79.
- 06 FRASER George EVANS, died 25 Sep 1947, aged 92 years.
Ethel M., died 27 Feb 1934. (Wife of John Duncan FRASER sen.)
- 07 HANDLEY D.T. (David Thomas), 34134 Driver D.T. HANDLEY, 4th Ammunition Column, 25 Feb 1964, aged 65. Husband of Marjorie, father of Kath, Irene, David & Beth. David Thomas HANDLEY, born 19 Nov 1898 was the second child of Henry King HANDLEY and Emily (nee LeFEVRE).
- Emily, died 12 Sep 1937, wife of Henry HANDLEY, aged 64 years (nee LeFEVRE). Emily HANDLEY, born 15 Jun 1873, Falmouth, was the daughter of James and Jessie Greenbank LeFEVRE (nee PRATT).
- Henry HANDLEY, died 22 Jul 1942, aged 87 years. Henry King HANDLEY, born 5 Aug 1856, Fingal district, was the son of James and Elizabeth HANDLEY (nee HOLMES). He married Emily LeFEVRE on 25 Mar 1896 at Cullenswood.
- Mary HANDLEY, 27 Jul 1906 - 4 Jul 1982 (nee LING, wife of Stephen).
- Stephen Henry HANDLEY, husband of Mary, died 2 Sep 1974, aged 65 years. Stephen Henry HANDLEY was the youngest son of Henry King and Emily HANDLEY (nee LeFEVRE) born 24 Oct 1908.
- Gertrude May, died 17 Nov 1903, aged 6 months. Gertrude May HANDLEY was the 4th child of Henry King and Emily HANDLEY (nee LeFEVRE). Born May 1903, Portland district.
- Marjorie Amelia (nee TIFFIN), wife of David Thomas, 1900 - 1979, our Mum, Kath, Irene, David & Beth.
- 08 HEALEY John, 30 Mar 1951

- Martha HEALEY, 22 Sep 1951 (nee Terry). Martha TERRY was the daughter of William and Fanny Terry (nee TRELOGGEN), born 5 Jul 1871 at Georges Bay (St. Helens). She married John Joseph HEALEY on 5 Feb 1895, the first couple to be married in the Anglican Church opened 9 Sep 1894.
- Terence HEALEY, husband of Ivy (nee McMICHAEL), aged 62 years, father of Beth, Leslie (married Peter PARTRIDGE) and John (married Joyce LeFEVRE)
- Mildred HEALEY, daughter of John and Martha, died 10 Apr 1983.
- 09 JESTRIMSKI
 Jacob, died 21 Apr 1921, aged 76 years.
 Rosalia JESTRIMSKI, wife of above, died 25 Oct 1927, aged 84 years (nee Amelia Rosalia VON KLUCK)
 Marjorie Linna, wife Donald, mother of Hugh. Marjorie LEWIS was a teacher at Pyengana before she married Don JESTRIMSKI.
 Rudolph Emil (Ralph), died 14 Aug 1946, aged 78 years (another transcription has 1948).
 Matilda Amanda JESTRIMSKI, died 7 Apr 1951, aged 72 years. Matilda Amanda NICKLASON married Rudolph JESTRIMSKI on 24 Feb 1897 at Pyengana.
- 10 KERRISON
 Kerry Wayne, accidentally killed 28 Sep 1963, aged 18 years 9 months.
- 11 KOHL
 Franz Henry, died 8 Oct 1953, aged 92 years.
 Elizabeth, wife of above, died 30 Apr 1955, aged 85 years.
- 12 LeFEVRE
 Alice, wife of George LeFEVRE, died 9 May 1911, aged 30 years. Alice Sophia LeFEVRE was the daughter of Charles and Eliza Sophia TERRY (nee FITZGERALD), born 10 Jul 1881 at Goshen. She married Michael George LeFEVRE at Pyengana on 12 Sep 1900.
 Clara Ellen, wife of Joseph LeFEVRE, died 15 May 1928, aged 42 years. Clara Ellen LeFEVRE was the daughter of Jacob and Amelia Rosalia JESTRIMSKI (nee VON KLUCK), born 29 Dec 1885 at Campania. She married Joseph LeFEVRE on 14 Aug 1907 in the Portland district.
 Coral Winifred, died 1 Jun 1920, aged 4 years & 3 months. Coral Winifred was the daughter of Joseph and Clara LeFEVRE, born 21 Feb 1916.
 George, died Dec 1919. Son of Michael George and Elizabeth Annie (nee BROWN), born 29 Nov 1919.
 Henry Kenneth, husband of Elvie, died 6 May 1982, father of Stan, Joy, Kathy & Ian, aged 68 years. Henry Kenneth

LeFEVRE was the son of Henry and Edith LeFEVRE (nee BURNLEY), born 10 Apr 1914, married 5 Jul 1941 to Elvie BROWNING.

Jessie Greenbank, wife of James LeFEVRE, died 18 Nov 1933, aged 82 years. Jessie Greenbank PRATT was the daughter of Michael and Anna Elizabeth PRATT (nee GREENBANK), born 10 Jul 1855 at Falmouth. She married James LeFEVRE on 25 Apr 1876 at Falmouth in the house of a Mr Woodbury. Witnesses were Mathew and Amelia Chorely.

James LeFEVRE, husband of above, died 5 Nov 1936, aged 85 years. James LeFEVRE was the son of Joseph and Catherine LeFEVRE (nee DOHERTY), born c. 1853

Joseph, died 5 Feb 1962, aged 82 years. Joseph LeFEVRE was the son of James and Jessie LeFEVRE (nee PRATT), born 25 Jan 1882 at Falmouth. He married on 4 Aug 1907 to Clara Ellen JESTRIMSKI and later married Sylvia Beatrice COCKER.

David Vivian LeFEVRE, died 15 Jun 1974, husband of Enid and father of Elizabeth and John, aged 41 years. Cremated, ashes at Pyengana. David Vivian LeFEVRE was the son of Joseph and Sylvia Beatrice LeFEVRE (nee COCKER), born 26 Apr 1933. He married Enid MOSES.

Leah, daughter of James and Elizabeth LeFEVRE, died 17 Jul 1932, aged 10 years. Leah LeFEVRE was born 2 Mar 1922

Michael George died 23 May 1958, aged 86 years. Michael George LeFEVRE was the son of James and Jessie LeFEVRE (nee PRATT), born 16 Sep 1871 at Falmouth. He married 12 Sep 1900 to Alice Sophia TERRY. See above. Michael George LeFEVRE remarried 11 Jun 1913 to Elizabeth Annie BROWN, daughter of George Deas and Mary BROWN (nee HANDLEY), born 11 Mar 1879, Launceston.

Elizabeth Annie LeFEVRE, died 25 Mar 1938.

Reginald James LeFEVRE, died 13 Aug 1922, aged 16 years. Reginald James LeFEVRE was the son of James and Elizabeth LeFEVRE (nee RATTRAY), born 12 Aug 1906. He accidentally shot himself on his 16th birthday with a shotgun.

Robert James, died 18 Nov 1974. Robert James LeFEVRE, son of Michael George and Elizabeth Annie LeFEVRE

- (nee BROWN), born 31 Aug 1921, married 17 Jul 1945 to Peggy Jean LAMBERT.
- 13 LOHREY John Frederick, died 9 Jul 1944, aged 71 years. My Husband. Agnes Mary, his wife, died 6 May 1955, aged 77 years (another transcription states 1965).
- 14 MADDOX P.H. (Percival Henry), died 25 Jul 1949, aged 63 years. Percival Henry MADDOX was the son of Abel and Ellen Jane MADDOX (nee Higginson).
Sydney Robert Angus MADDOX, died 27 Apr 1969. Unmarked grave. Brother of Percival Henry, Sydney Robert Angus (Bob) MADDOX was born 23 Feb 1894 at Ringarooma.
- 15 MASSON Sven, died 8 Nov 1917, aged 70 years.
Christina, his wife died 11 Jan 1956, aged 92 years.
- 16 NAILOR Phoebe Margaret, wife of H.H. NAILOR, died 19 Sep 1912, aged 30 years (nee DOBSON).
- 17 NICHOLS Herbert, 1220 Driver H. NICHOLS, 15 Battalion, 5 Feb 1970, aged 76 years, husband of Jessie Isabel, father of Roy and Kathleen. Herbert NICHOLS married 25 Aug 1920 to Jessie Isabel LeFEVRE (at Pyengana), daughter of Michael George and Alice Sophia LeFEVRE (nee TERRY), born 13 Jul 1902.
- 18 NICKLASON Charles Alfred, my husband, died 25 Feb 1956 aged 76 years (78 in another transcription).
Amelia Katherine, his wife, died 3 Jan 1970, aged 86 years (80 in another transcription). Erected by his wife, sons and daughters. Amelia Katherine NICKLASON (nee OLDHAM).
Francis Augustus, husband of Elsie NICKLASON, died 20 Aug 1937, aged 50 years.
Elsie Vera, died 9 Feb 1967, aged 77 years. Elsie Vera NICKLASON (nee COULTHEART).
Karna, our mother, died 29 May 1914, aged 70 years.
Ola NICKLASON, our father, died 20 Jul 1933, aged 88 years.
- 19 OLDHAM Alice, wife of Thomas (nee EVANS), mother of Mary, Thomas & Ellen, died 10 Mar 1977. This headstone has been broken off and missing. Mary OLDHAM married Norman NAYLOR, Thomas OLDHAM married Pat McLOCHLAN and Ellen OLDHAM married Jack MIDSON.
Margaret Elsie, wife of William Charles and mother of Jack, Margaret & Shirley, died 3 Jul 1977, aged 82 years. Margaret Elsie OLDHAM was the daughter of James and

Jessie LeFEVRE (nee PRATT), born 13 Aug 1894 at Pyengana. She married William Charles OLDHAM on 10 Mar 1920 at Pyengana. Jack OLDHAM married Faye CANNELL, Margaret OLDHAM married Geoff JESTRIMSKI and Shirley OLDHAM married Brian EVANS.

Thomas Archibald Sen., died 7 Jun 1940 aged 54 years. Married to Alice Victoria Maude EVANS.

Thomas Archibald Jun., husband of Patricia (nee McLOCHLAN) died 5 Dec 1979, father of Vaughan, Yvonne, Carol, Jan, Gregory, Rodney & Marian.

William Charles, 652 Pte. William C. OLDHAM, 4 Machine Gun Battalion, 31 Jul 1958, aged 69, husband of Margaret, father of John, Margaret & Shirley. See Margaret above. William Charles OLDHAM was born 28 Oct 1958, son of Edwin Thomas and Emily Irvine (nee CAMPBELL).

20 PARRY

Richard William, died 23 Feb 1949, aged 69 years

Mary Elizabeth (nee DOBSON), wife of above, died 29 Oct 1959, aged 72 years.

21 RATTRAY

Abel Allen, died 24 Dec 1888, son of William Allen and Rebecca (nee CHAPPLE), born 23 Nov 1886 (diphtheria). Died before Cemetery was formed. Perhaps buried on Myrtle Vale his father's property?

Alfred George RATTRAY, died 31 Jul 1908, son of William Allen and Rebecca (nee CHAPPLE) born 10 Apr 1891.

Edmund Gordon, husband of Mabel, died 5 May 1975. Edmund Gordon RATTRAY was the son of William Allen and Rebecca RATTRAY (nee CHAPPLE), born 14 Dec 1893, married 1 Sep 1920 to Mary Mabel HANDLEY, daughter of Henry King and Emily HANDLEY (nee LeFEVRE), born 4 Jan 1901.

Mabel Mary RATTRAY, died 14 Jun 1987. See Edmund Gordon RATTRAY above.

George, died 13 Jul 1908, aged 17 years. Alfred George RATTRAY was the son of William Allen and Rebecca RATTRAY (nee CHAPPLE), born 10 Apr 1891 in the Portland district.

Isaac Joseph, died 6 Sep 1967, husband of Linda. Isaac Joseph RATTRAY was the son of William Allen and Rebecca RATTRAY (nee CHAPPLE), born 18 May 1884. He married on 23 Nov 1927 to Linda Josephine LeFEVRE daughter of Joseph and Clara Ellen LeFEVRE (nee JESTRIMSKI), born 5 Mar 1909, Portland district.

- Martha Maud, daughter of W.A. and R. RATTRAY, died 5 Jun 1919, aged 18 years. Martha Maud RATTRAY was born on 27 Jan 1901.
- W.A., died 24 Mar 1924, aged 67 years.
- Rebecca RATTRAY, aged 69 years. (No date).
- William Allen RATTRAY was the son of Robert Salmon and Elizabeth RATTRAY (nee DELL), born 1857 at Ararat. Vic. He married 7 Nov 1879 at Georges Bay to Rebecca CHAPPLE, daughter of Isaac and Sarah CHAPPLE (nee WARLAND), born 29 Jan 1865 in Fingal district.
- William Robert, husband of Florence May RATTRAY, died 20 Jul 1920, aged 40 years. William Robert RATTRAY was the son of William Allen and Rebecca RATTRAY (nee CHAPPLE), born 6 May 1880. He married 10 Mar 1903 at Pyengana Florence May LeFEVRE daughter of James and Jessie Greenbank LeFEVRE (nee PRATT), born 1 May 1885 in Portland district.
- 22 STONE A.E. (Mick), died 9 Apr 1976. Came to Pyengana from Scamander.
- Pearl STONE, died 24 Aug 1978.
- 23 STROCHNETTER Mary Louise, died 12 Jun 1964, aged 77 years (nee MANSSON).
- Charles William, husband of above, died 17 Nov 1971, aged 91 years.
- 24 SUTTON Emily Rose, eldest daughter of Mary Ann and the Late Geo. SUTTON, died 12 Mar 1944, aged 36 years
- George, husband of Mary Ann SUTTON (nee HAYES), died 14 Jun 1936, aged 81 years.
- Margaret Isabel SUTTON, died 11 Oct 1927, aged 7 & 1/2 months.
- Sydney James, husband of Dorothy Christina (nee STROCHNETTER), father of Norman, Lindsay, Robert and Rosemary, died 1 Jan 1976, aged 71 years.
- 25 TERRY Arthur Leslie, died 1 Aug 1908, aged 22 years. Arthur Leslie Terry was the son of Richard and Celia TERRY (nee ROSIER), born 23 Jul 1886, Pyengana. "Bloke" Terry died on the football field at Moorina, Tasmania.
- Julian TERRY, died 19 Apr 1903 (Typhoid Fever). Julian TERRY was the son of Charles and Eliza Sophie TERRY (nee FITZGERALD), born 17 Aug 1882, Pyengana.
- Martha, wife of Wm. J. TERRY, died 29 Oct 1902, aged 30 years. Martha TERRY was the daughter of Jacob and Amelia Roselia JESTRIMSKI (nee VON KLUCK), born

c 1872. She married 28 Oct 1896 at Pyengana, William James TERRY the son of Richard and Celia TERRY (nee ROSIER), born 3 Mar 1867, Pyengana.

Richard, husband of Celia TERRY died 15 July 1901, aged 76 years. Richard TERRY was the son of John TERRY, born c 1833 in England. He married 19 Sep 1864 at Falmouth Celia ROSIER daughter of James and Maria ROSIER (nee MAIDER), born 13 Sep 1843 at Avoca.

Celia TERRY, died 2 Jan 1925, buried at Pyengana.

FAMILY BACKGROUNDS

This information is provided to give a small insight into the families that made up the early settlers of Pyengana.

BECKER FAMILY. August and Margaret Becker began farming at Diana's Basin near St. Helens, selected land at Pyengana on the Northern bank of the South George River. On the slope of a range of hills it was a very good property, heavily timbered and isolated by floods during the winter months when the river remained at a high level for long periods. He called the property *Blandfordia*. Also selected at a later date above the St. Columba Falls on the Mathinna track. This property was called *Calumet* which means "Pipe of Peace".

BEECHY FAMILY. The Beechy family first moved to Goulds Country. Jack Beechy lived in the Old Police Station building until he went to work at the Anchor Mine at the Junction (Lottah) c 1888. He later moved to a selection at Pyengana. He was a renowned horse breaker and a champion paling splitter. It is thought he split the shingles for the Pyengana Butter Factory when it was built.

CONNELLY FAMILY. Les Connelly was a grandson of Alfred Dobson who selected in the vicinity of Forest Lodge, West Pyengana.

DOBSON FAMILY. The first Dobson came to Tasmania as Chaplain at Maria Island. John Dobson married the Commandants daughter (Lapham) and moved to the mainland of Tasmania. Alfred one of several children of the marriage moved to Weldborough with his wife Amelia. He later (c 1886) selected on land at Pyengana. The block selected was small, hilly and heavily timbered with no river frontage but a permanent creek through it. The selection was called *Hilldrop*.

EVANS FAMILY. George Evans and his half brother Tommy Tandy came to Pyengana in the early 1900s and rented the property on which LeFevre had been living.

FRASER FAMILY. John Duncan Fraser was for some time the Manager of the Pyengana Butter Factory. His son John Duncan Fraser (jun) also managed the Factory.

HANDLEY FAMILY. Henry Handley was the nephew of George Deas Brown, He migrated to Tasmania with his uncle and the family worked for a time at Launceston. George Deas Brown opened a store in Weldborough and then selected 160 acres of land at the junction of the Waratah Creek and the North George River. This he named

Ballo. He later selected *Sea View* at West Pyengana. It is assumed his nephew Henry Handley was with him in all these transactions as the Handley family remained at Pyengana for some years.

HEALEY FAMILY. John Healey came from Ireland to settle at Gould's Country for some time before selecting at Pyengana, on the fork of the North and South George's River. He names his selection *Graigdon*. He moved to Launceston some years after and his property passed to his son Jack.

JESTRIMSKI FAMILY. Jacob and Rosalia Jestrinski came to Tasmania from Danzig, Germany in 1886. Jacob was a shipwright by trade as well as being a diver. His work on the Kiel Canal was to go down and put in place the blocks of stone, used to line the canal as well as to inspect the undersides of the ships and to repair them; the placing of underwater explosives was also part of his work. He also had much experience in turning vessels which is an art in itself. The family lived first at Maria Island and later at Jerusalem (Colebrook) before going to Pyengana. He lived first at *Myrtle Vale* which he leased from B.H. Wright. He later moved onto a block which had been selected by Carl Grenda; here he farmed and took work wherever employment was available.

KERRISON FAMILY. Two or three brothers of this family arrived in Pyengana in the early 1930's. It is thought they came to work on the building and maintenance of the mine race. Two brothers married local girls and stayed.

KOHL FAMILY. Franz Khoi came to Hobart in 1884 from Hamburg aboard the vessel *Procida* as a single man. A cabinet maker by trade he was a native of Freidesburg, Germany. On his arrival in Tasmania he went to work at Plenty before moving to Pyengana in 1888. Settled on the head of a creek called Kohl's Rivulet on a selection he called *Starvation Gully*. Became a renowned cheese maker. He was renowned for passing through the most evolutionary methods of transport, starting with a bullock harnessed to a sledge he eventually elevated himself into a chaise cart, then a jinker and finally a motor car.

LeFEVRE FAMILY. The first LeFevre in Tasmania, Joseph, arrived in Tasmania as a convicted felon aboard the *Bussorah Merchant* in Jan 1830, having been tried and sentenced to death for stealing a pack of cards. He served seven years at Port Arthur before being allotted to employment in the Avoca district. He married Catherine Doherty on 3 Feb 1851. In 1853 Joseph LeFevre bought land near Piccani Point near Seymour, which he sold in August of that year to Robert Wardlaw. They had two children James and Joseph. Joseph was committed to gaol c 1853 for stealing a cow and Catherine was forced to place her two sons for adoption. James was brought up by the Hyman family and Joseph was adopted by a family named Little. James LeFevre when he married Jessie Pratt lived at Four Mile Creek where he was engaged in cheese making with a Mr Woodbury at Glencoe Falmouth. By 1833 they had moved to St. Helens, living temporarily some 3-4 miles west of the St. Helens bridge on the Golden Fleece River, before moving to Pyengana about 1887. In 1894 they purchased *Latarah* at Pyengana where they lived for the remainder of their lives.

LOHREY FAMILY. John Frederick Lohrey came to Pyengana from St. Marys in 1913 and rented *Stonnyside* from Yosts where he farmed for some years before moving to *Rosemount* in 1923. The family also purchased *Lynbrook*.

MADDOX FAMILY. Abel and Ellen Jane Maddox (nee Higginson) came from New Norfolk to the Ringarooma area c 1884. They had six children. The family lived a Lottah for some time and Abel also managed the Goulds Country Hotel. Abel Maddox drowned in the Georges River, Priory, 1898 when he walked over a place now known as "Abes Leap", while suffering from either blood poisoning or too much alcohol. It is rumoured he went mad with either the pain or the drink. He was not known as a drinking man so it is assumed he drank to alleviate the pain. Percy and Bob Maddox lived and mined in the Lottah, Goulds Country and Goshen areas most of their adult life.

MANSSON FAMILY. Sven and Christina Masson came from Sweden to Maria Island. They sailed in 1884 from Hamburg, Germany aboard the vessel *Proccida* to Hobart. One child died during the voyage. Towards the end of the 1880s they came to Pyengana. They rented a block of land previously selected by B.H. Wright on which they had a small flower and vegetable garden and raised pigs which they sold to the Chinese at Weldborough. In the 1890s they moved to a piece of land he had selected at the head of the Power's Rivulet; here they raised a large family.

NICKLASON FAMILY. Ola and Karla Nicklason came from Fjalkinge in Sweden. They went first to St. Marys where Ola was employed by Henry Lohrey of Germantown. In 1887 the family moved to a block of land at Pyengana which was rented from T.W.H. Clarke. This block was finally purchased and passed on to son Alfred who named it *Lynbrook*.

OLDHAM FAMILY. Edwin Oldham the eldest son of seven children was sent out from England by his father at the age of sixteen to learn farming from a family friend, Mr Burbury, at *Park Farm*, Jericho. He also worked for some time with a Mr John Jones at *Pleasant Place*, Jericho. He then went orcharding with his sister at Wattle Grove in the Huon. In 1881 he and his wife Emily (nee Campbell) made their selection on the south bank of the Upper North George River, opposite *Myrtle Vale*, which he named *Lillian Vale*.

PARRY FAMILY. Richard Parry from Scamander married Mary Dobson and selected at the Little Plains.

RATTRAY FAMILY. William Allen Rattray, born at Ararat Victoria came to Tasmania prior to 1879 when he married Rebecca Chapple. They lived the first few years at Four Mile Creek then moved to Priory, near St. Helens. In 1896 they moved to Pyengana and settled at *Myrtle Vale*. At one time the family also rented *Ballo* which they eventually purchased and also purchased *Sea View* at West Pyengana. The family is well known throughout Tasmania for its horse racing and wood chopping activities.

SUTTON FAMILY. George Sutton was an accomplished whip maker and most of the whips at that time were made by him. When he married Mary Hayes he took over her father's property *Riverdale*.

TERRY FAMILY. John Terry came to Tasmania from London in the 1850's bringing his family with him. The Terry family settled first at Falmouth on the East Coast of Tasmania then moved to a property about a mile South East of the Powers Rivulet near Goshen naming the property *Terry Vale*. The sons moved to the Pyengana area in 1876.

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Dear Sister Kate,

I cannot understand what they are doing with my letters at Sydney, have caused an enquiry to be made. Yours of 9 Oct is the only one I have received from you for months, and never a paper, so send no more Graphics till I have a more fixed address, the above letter is the first I have heard of your daughter Kate's marriage. I sincerely trust they will have every happiness together.

I send you newspapers from different parts so that you may know [I] am still in the land of the living. Lately I have been far from well. Had a week in bed a fortnight ago, with rheumatics in my feet. Am going back to the silver mines again shortly after Xmas - you could not believe what mining is, in the bush, and what you have to put up with. From here in the first place you go by small steamer to Macquarie's Harbour, 20 hours sail (charge 20/- [?]) if it is very fine weather, another small steamer will take you to Trial [?] Harbour, and if you are lucky, you get ashore by means of the steamer's small boat - this is the short route to Mount Zeehan, 3 miles of soft sand and 11 miles of scrub, road, mud track etc, all food taken on horses, and you carry your own "Swag"; weighing about 48 lbs, consisting of your bed and [... ?] which you pay 2/- to lie on the floor, in a small room generally 3 or 4 in it. Butter was 4/6 lb. Bread you made yourself. Beef none. Mutton occasionally 1/-. Beer at a ransom, and so on. Still there live between Mount Zeehan and Dundas about 2000 men and about 10 women and 14 children, all in the "Race for Wealth" - there is very little religion.

Mount Zeehan, the supposed El dorado of all metals, especially silver, is about 8 miles long by 4 miles broad, and all over this are to be seen tents and small mud huts, dotted here and there, at various claims - some 3 or 400 yards apart, others a mile away from each other. At night the camp fires are lit up and the tea billy hung up to make tea or Irish stew, and then stories go the round, or they visit one another, spin a yarn, sing a song, and smoke a pipe, and then turn in at darkness to waken again at daylight to commence their work, shovel and spade, and washing of ore, or as is mostly done, heaping it up in hillocks waiting for the railway opening about 3 or 4 months from now. I should, from appearance, think a year about the time required to finish it as the winter rains come on about April, when the roads become almost impossible for man or beast. Only last winter there was three days no food could be got for love or money on the township - will try and send you a photo of what is called here a town.

One day about 3 weeks ago, quarter acre blocks were drawn for a ballot - I was in it, and soon out of it by drawing a blank - there was a motley gathering such as I don't suppose ever was seen South of the line - tall strong men of all nationalities who had taken out a miner's right - watching the turn of the wheel, which might be a small

fortune for 10/- in a few years time but they have to expend a £100.0.0 on building something within a year or they lose their right - any workman can do this earning 11/- and 12/- a day. They give nav[v]ies 10/- to work on the railway, £4.0.0 a week for a man to drive a wagon - but it is awful rough work and cuts them off - I am not fit for it, that's a certainty. At present I have a 200th[?] and a 14th share in 80 acre sections, one at Zeehan, other [at] Dundas, there is silver in each of these sections, how much or how little, we can only conjecture and till we get some capital which we want from Melbourne they lie dormant, or nearly so with 4 men working each claim. We have about 200 tons of ore worth about £10 a ton lying all broken up ready to get sent down to Macquarie as soon as the railway opens, if the road was good we would bring down some on horseback to raise the wind. I have also 4 to 5000 shares in other companies some good and some not worth the paper. I cannot say how soon or how long I will remain here. Only yesterday a friend of mine put all his shares away in a bank, not to be touched for a year at least - and has left for New Zealand. I was very near going with him but I am the manager and do all the correspondence for some mines and would not like to leave them in the lurch - besides I would only have to be looking for something to turn myself with a new country where I don't know a soul - that never troubles me, soon make friends if you have anything in your pocket. Certainly would like to get home this summer and bring some tons of silver ore with me to get smelted in Germany '[...?]'

Finish this letter again got to go away for a few days -

Monday 29 Dec

Xmas is past and gone, in the usual way, and it has been the coldest in the memory of the oldest people here, who are mostly called "old timers", having been transported here for doing very little. The families of the old convicts are in most instance the wealthiest class in Van Diemens Land having got grants from Governors of land which is now very valuable, which their families now reap the benefit from. Now you have a long letter, which I trust will find you getting over the strike difficulties. I sent a photo to your daughter Kate, and to show my Edinburgh friends [I] had not forgot them. Sent Xmas cards but have never heard if they were dead or living. Have other correspondents but they say nothing about Mrs B expecting I know.

With love to you all, from your brother R M Brechin

o o o

The above letter was forwarded by Alan Maryon of Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, England who wondered if some of your members would be interested in the description of conditions in the silver mining area -they may just be worth adding to what you already know.

The letter was written (in Hobart over one 100 years ago) by Alan's great-uncle to my father, Robert Brechin, to his sister Catherine (Kate) Wilson Kingston, nee Brechin (1840-1923) who was then a glass and china dealer in Commercial Rd, London, E.

Robert Miller Brechin was born 29 Nov 1838 in Barony Parish, Glasgow, Scotland, when his mother was 19 years, 4 months; his father is described as a 'dresser' (Barony Parish OPR, births, 1835-39, p 520). On 17 Oct 1862, a month before his 24th birthday, he married Davida Bryce at Blythwood, Glasgow, Lanark, and they had two sons, who were probably born in 1864 and 1866.

Between 1860 and the late 1880s Robert is recorded in directories as having premises in Edinburgh, Scotland, in which he was variously described as a wholesale agent, a merchant, a chandelier and gas fitting manufacturer, and a decorating contractor. In 1878 he was presented "by the Architect, Contractors and others" with a silver cake stand; the inscription thanks him for his "enterprise and energy" in providing the City of Edinburgh with the "Edinburgh Royal Aquarium" situated at Waverley Market (it is possible that the appellation "Royal" was used without permission). Six months after its opening Robert, as lessee of the aquarium, sued the glass company as the glass of various tanks had broken. After these entrepreneurial episodes he went to Australia, where a letter he wrote in Oct 1889 to his sister from Brisbane survives. A photograph probably taken in about 1890, by Albert Lomer & Co of Queen Street, Brisbane, is thought to be of Robert when he was about 51. A later letter was written from Hobart at the end of 1890.

Robert Miller Brechin died 30 May 1893 at Wellington Hospital, New Zealand aged 54, and was buried 1 Jun at Karori. Robert's death is registered by the New Zealand Registrar-General's Office but the certificate is very short on information; it gives no "usual place of residence", and no names of parents nor of wife, but does mention two sons, aged 29 and 27. Perhaps he was passing through or was visiting Wellington in an "official" capacity - part of the North Dundas silver mining area in Zeehan, Tasmania, (where he was at the end of 1890 as "manager") was the subject of a prospectus issued by the Zealandia Silver Mining Co, which had its solicitors, brokers and main bank in New Zealand.

The causes of death are given as erysipelas, caught two weeks before death, and pneumonia, caught one week later. Erysipelas, also known as St Anthony's fire, is an acute infection, often in an open wound, which can lead to blood poisoning and also to the complication of pneumonia; it is now rare because of the effectiveness of sulphur drugs and antibiotics, but in those days it was a dangerous and infectious disease. He was last seen by a medical attendant, a Dr Ewart, the day he died, Tuesday 30 May 1893, in Wellington Hospital; he would have been about 54 years old although his age is given as 60 on the certificate, perhaps because his time in the mines had aged him. He was buried two days later, on 1 Jun, at Karori, Wellington, almost as far as he possibly could be from his family. His letter from Hobart mentions "Mrs B" and says that other correspondents expect him to have news of her; perhaps she was his wife from whom he had become estranged and of whom he had not received any news.

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EARLY MARKETS, HOBART

Maree Ring

On 5th April, 1827, Memorandum No. 103 was sent from the Colonial Secretary's Office to "inform the Engineer that the Lieutenant Governor is desirous of having Mrs. Gillett's [sic] house completed with all convenient dispatch; - and the levelling of such part of the site of the intended Market-place as at this time may be required for that purpose." Governor Arthur went on to give instructions for the plans to be prepared by the Survey Department.

Plans of the Proposed Market Place were drawn by W.E. Sharland, counter signed by Edward Dumaresq (Surveyor General) and dated May, 1827. A description of Market Place was given as containing 1.1.15, being bounded on the N.E. side by Campbell Street, on the S.E. side by Macquarie Street, on the S.W. by the allotment of John Barnes & Joseph Ferguson, the boundary line running parallel to Campbell Street from the corner of Barnes' allotment at the distance of 2 chains 52 links from S.W. side by Collins Street, the boundary line being at the distance of 5 chains 35 links from Macquarie Street.

It is noted that the plan included to cut the rivulet through the land of the hospital and build up the wall'. (see map) The course of the rivulet has probably changed little since this time and is quite recognisable still at the rear of Market Place and the City Hall, in Hobart.

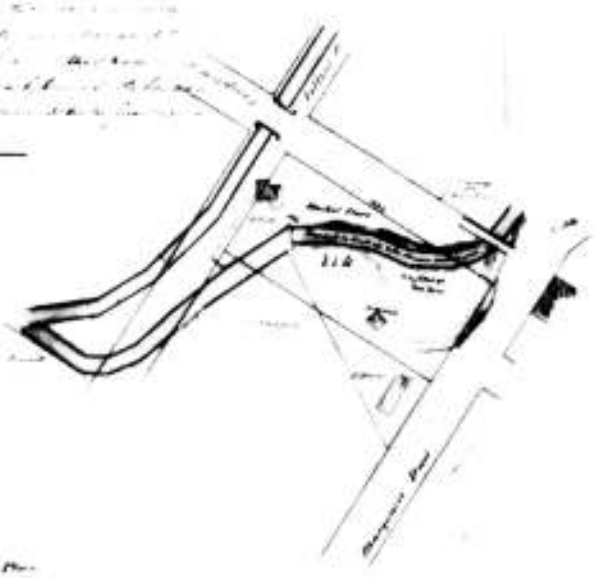
(*Down Wapping* by the Wapping History Group refer to two news items. Firstly, from the *Colonial Times* of 25 August, 1825, noting that only days after the completion of the New Cut of the Hobart Rivulet the banks had overflowed and water had broken through into the old channel, which had not yet been fully blocked off.

This, reported by the *Hobart Town Courier* of 20 September, 1828, refers to more flooding of the New Cut, with water running right across the new market place, tearing up soil to a considerable depth, carrying away a large portion of the embankment, just built to keep the sea water from coming in, but never intended to prevent it from coming out!)

On 2nd September 1828, a committee made up of John Burnett, John Montagu and George Frankland submitted a 33 point document to Lieutenant Governor Arthur of their opinion of the most beneficial plan for the establishment of a market in Hobart'. By 30th April, 1833, Roderick O'Connor had joined the committee and the following tenders had been received, opened in the order numbered:

| Name | Amount (pounds) | Period of Completion |
|-------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 6 Josh Moir | 820 without exceptions | six months |

The following is a list of the
 names of the persons who were
 present at the meeting held
 at the residence of Mr. J. B. [Name]
 on the 21st day of [Month] 18[Year].
 The names are as follows:



Plan
 of
 Prophane's Market Place
 18[Year]



| | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| do | 748 | do |
| | with exceptions | |
| 7 James Fisher | 950 | eight months |
| 2 Frederick Paterson | 1030 | eight months |
| 8 Robt Makepeace | 1050 | six months |
| 3 W.F. Browne | 1100 | six months |
| 10 Peter Bodum | 1166.5 | eight months |
| 9 John Hole | 1170 | eight months |
| 5 {James Motton | 1209 | eight months |
| {Robert Frost | | |
| 4 A Cumming | 1280 | eight months |
| 1 G Lewis | 1320 | fourteen weeks |

Notation of 7th May gave the tender to Mr. Moir

By Friday 28th June, Mr. Moir had completed the planking foundations for the thirty sheds or stalls for the New Market.

The following stallholders were listed by William Abbott, Market Clerk, in a document dated 17 February, 1834:

| Stall | Name | Trade | How Long | Amount | Remarks |
|-------|------|-------|----------|--------|---------|
|-------|------|-------|----------|--------|---------|

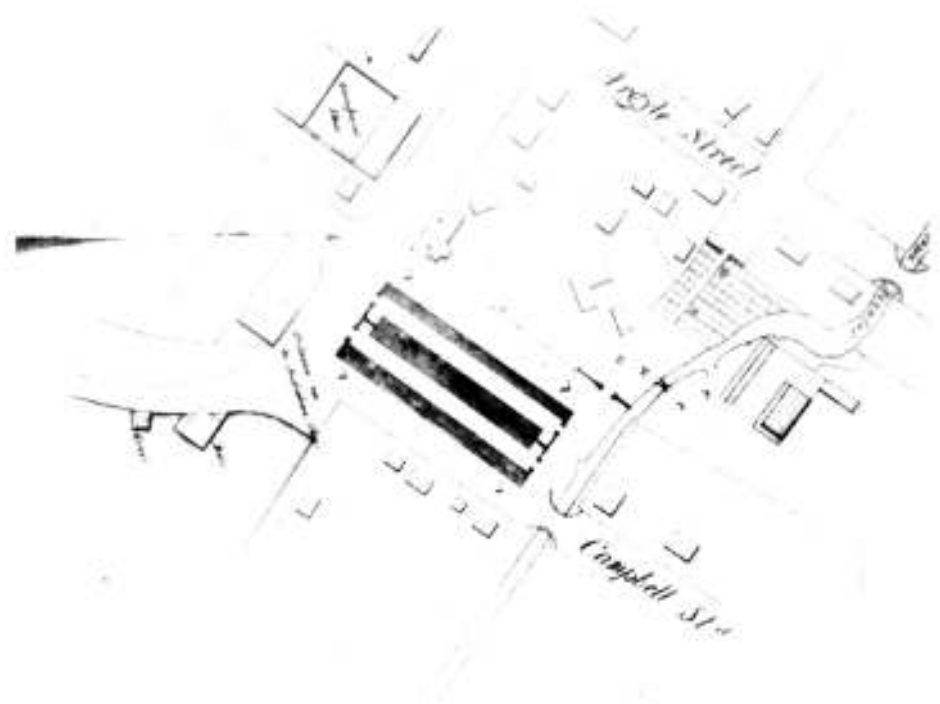
10 Shops for Fruit, Vegetables and Poultry

| | | | | | |
|-----|------------------|--------------|------------|-----|--|
| 1. | James Gray | Fruiterer | 4 month | 6/- | |
| 2. | Danl Burns | Vegetables | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 3. | William Saunders | do | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 4. | John Knight | Butter, Eggs | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 5. | Saml Clouder | Poulterer | 4 or 12 do | 6/- | |
| 6. | Bn Johnson | Vegetables | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 7. | J Bonn | Fruiterer | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 8. | Llwellyn | Poulterer | 4 d | 6/- | |
| 9. | Thos Brown | Vegetables | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 10. | Henry OHara | Fruiterer | 4 do | 6/- | |

2nd. Tin Stalls for Miscellaneous Trades people

| | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|--------------|------------|-----|--|
| 11. | Henry OHara | Gun Dealer | 4 months | 6/- | |
| 12. | G. Wilson | Tobacconist | 4 or 12 do | 6/- | |
| 13. | Saml Tubby | General Shop | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 14. | Francis Clark | Confectioner | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 15. | Thomas Bimble | General Shop | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 16. | Thomas Miller | do | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 17. | Owen McDonald | do | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 18. | Chls Higgins | Baker | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 19. | Thos Burdet | General Shop | 4 do | 6/- | |
| 20. | Maria Johnson | do | 4 do | 6/- | |

3rd. Tin Stalls for Fish and Meats



| | | | | |
|-----|----------------|------------|------|-----|
| 21. | James Brandbin | Fishmonger | 4 do | 6/- |
| 22. | do do | do | 4 do | 6/- |
| 23. | Lt Morrison | do | 4 do | 6/- |
| 24. | N.T. Trotter | Butcher | 4 do | 6/- |
| 25. | Chas Marks | Fishmonger | 4 do | 6/- |
| 26. | B. Mckenna | do | 4 do | 6/- |
| 27. | Henry Jones | do | 4 do | 6/- |
| 28. | G. Lukin | do | 4 do | 6/- |
| 29. | do do | do | 4 do | 6/- |
| 30. | Wm Hollis | do | 4 do | 6/- |

Acts for establishing Standard Weights and Measures (Gulielmi IV No. 3); An act to regulate the sale of Bread, (no. 5); An Act for the Regulation of Markets (No. 9) all had passed the Legislative Council dated 27 September, 1833; 10 September, 1834; and 24 September, 1834, respectively'.

Referral must have been made to the rules and regulations approved by the Governor of New South Wales for the running of the two markets of Sydney (George Street and the Sydney Hay, Corn and Cattle Markets) dated 1st December, 1834 and printed in their Government Gazette', as by 23rd December 1834 the following was documented:

**Rules To be observed
and
Tolls to be paid in this Market**

RULES

Market to open at six oclock by ring (sic) of bell every morning in summer and daylight in winter - and close at sunset.

Any person selling or offering for sale in the market place any article before ringing of the bell shall forfeit and pay 10/- for each offence.

All carts, Drays, Waggons or Barrows to enter by the Front gate only and be placed as clerk may direct.....

All casual standings to be classified and placed in Market place as Clerk may direct.

All Boats with goods or produce for Market to moor at such position of the Market Quay as Clerk may direct.....

Live stock of every description to be sold in such places in the Market as the Clerk may direct.....

All dues for Stallage, Standing or Quayage, to be paid to the Clerk before sale or unloading.....

All carts, drays or Waggons used for the purpose of bringing goods or produce for sale as well as carts and drays used for hire to be weighed by the Clerk, and their weight marked on them under the Name and Number.....

All goods sold whose weight may exceed 1 cwt to be weighed by the Clerk of the Market and a ticket of the weight furnished by him on payment of the Fee.....

Clerk to seize every article of food unfit for use that may be exposed for sale.....

Lock up stall to be occupied by persons who are retail dealers only.....of the Clerk, such carriers to wear a badge.

Any person who will not comply with or will infringe upon these rules & regulations or will expose goods for sale in any position of the market place other than that appropriated by the Clerk shall as regards the lock up stalls forfeit and pay a sum not less than 5/- nor more than L1 - and as respects all other places within the limits of the Market shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than 2/6 or more than 10/- if after notice from the Clerk any person shall neglect or refuse to comply with the directions of the Clerk.

No business under any pretext whatsoever to be transacted within the Market after dark, and Market to be locked up.....

The Clerk of the Market and his assistants being sworn constables, are required to preserve order and regularity in the Market, and to apprehend and carry before the sitting magistrate at the Police Office any person making a riot or disturbance therein or guilty of swearing or cursing, or using any gross or indecent language.....

CUSTOM TOLLS AND FEES

Lock up stalls and Corn Market as may be agreed upon

| | | |
|---|--------------|-------------------------------|
| Casual standings | 2d per day | When laden with goods |
| Each cart | 3d per day | goods or articles of |
| Each Dray or Waggon | 6d per day | consumption for sale |
| Each Row or Sail | | With liberty to land |
| Boat containing | | contents for a period |
| Firewood | 6d per day | not exceeding 1 week |
| split timber; | 2/6 | |
| produce for sale; | | each succeeding week |
| Each head of cattle | 6d each | |
| pigs | 3d each | |
| suckling pigs | 1d each | |
| sheep per score | 1/8 | |
| Each goose | 1d | when not confined in |
| Ducks, fowl per couple | 1d | a creel or basket - in a cart |
| | | or dray |
| Hides (raw) | 1d | |
| per dozen Sheep and | | |
| Kangaroo skin | 1d per dozen | |
| Butter, Salt per Jar | | |
| Each package or article for consumption | | |

and not kept in a Boat, Cart or Dray

For each sack, bag or | 1d
other package or bundle |

N.B. No charge where goods for sale are brought by one person in a basket or Tray

Weighing

By Beam & scales when
required to be weighed by

Clerk for each 1 cwt 1d

By Machine

Each cwt 1/2d
of lading under 12 cwt
12 cwt and upwards 6d

Measure - ascertain by weight
lbs of

| | | |
|---------|--|---------------------------|
| Wheat | | |
| Barley | | To be deemed and taken as |
| do cape | | |
| Maize | | equivalent to one Bushel |
| Peas | | |

SPECIAL MARKET DAYS

Mondays and Thursdays

Sale of Corn, Wood, Hides and Skins

Tuesdays and Saturdays

Sale of Fruit, Vegetables, Poultry & Butter
Bacon, Eggs, Hides and Skins

Wednesdays and Fridays

Hay, Straw, Green Fodder Sheep,
Pigs and Cattle (Bush Cattle Excepted)

By Order, H. Scott, Clerk of the Market".

(The dotted lines lie in the fold of the original document which is bound into the records of the Colonial Secretary's Office and are thus illegible.)

Other rules and regulations concerning the market were drawn up. They are far too long to print here.

This second market was established between the Custom House, now Parliament House and the wharf and the Colonial Times of April 1834 apologises for again discussing the move of the market, which was obviously not popular.

Down Wapping mentions the opening of the New Market in late 1853 distinguishing it to be on the site of the first market.

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1. p.336 [Gillett was noted as Jillett on Map 1. Spelling the name with 'J' was correct.]
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5. pps.233-234
6. p.249
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9. pps.126-133
10. pps.84-85

| | | |
|----------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1d | = 1 penny | = 1 cent |
| 6d | = 6 sixpence | = 5 cents |
| 1/- | = 1 shilling | = 10 cents |
| 10/- | = 10 shillings | = 1 dollar |
| 1 chain | = 22 yards | = 20 metres (approximately) |
| 1 acre | = .405 hectare | (approximately) |
| 1 bushel | = 1 gallon | = 4.55 litres |
| 1 cwt | = 1 hundredweight | = 50.8 kg |

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Ray Choate, *Illustration index to Australian art: reproductions in art monographs and exhibition catalogues.* (TLR 759.994 CHO)

Rosemary Davidson, *Jolly Hatters Inn.* (TLPQ 647.949461 JOL)

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Because they do not know until the search is completed whether or not a document fee will apply, they prefer orders using Visa or Mastercard rather than by sterling cheque. Refunds will only be made for overpayment in excess of two pounds fifty.

The main records in the custody of the Registrar General for Scotland are:

1. Old Parish registers 1553 to 1854, before civil registration began in 1855. There are about 3500 of these. They are far from complete and their adequacy varies from parish to parish. Births, baptisms, marriage banns and marriages are indexed on microfiche. Only a few of the registers of deaths and burials are indexed.
2. Registers of BDMs from 1855. District Registrars send the year's returns to the General Register Office, where national indexes are prepared for each category.
3. Registers of all still-births from 1939. Closed to public search.
4. Adopted children register generally from 1930. No entries prior to 1909.
5. Register of divorces from 1984. Includes court orders for financial provision or child custody.
6. Marine register of Scottish births and deaths on British ships from 1855.
7. Air register of Scottish births and deaths on UK registered aircraft. from 1948.
8. Service records of Scottish persons abroad 1881-1959.
9. War registers for the South African War 1899-1902; WWI 1914-1918 (NCOs and Men only); WWII, incomplete.

10. Consular returns of Scottish BDMs. Births and deaths from 1914; marriages from 1917.
11. High Commissioner returns of Scottish BDMs in foreign countries 1860-1965. Mostly for the Indian subcontinent.
12. Register of Scottish BDMs in Foreign countries 1860-1965.
13. Foreign marriages to persons from Scotland, from 1947.
14. Enumerator's transcript books, on microfilm, from 1841-1891. Not indexed but relate to each 10 yearly census.

If the search for a particular event is likely to be too time consuming because of lack of identifying detail, the inquirer must arrange for someone to search on his/her behalf.

BDM searches will be made only in registration districts in the immediate vicinity of the supposed event. It is normally possible to trace an entry if the full name of the person, deceased or married, and date and place of event are given. When the person has a common surname, some other identifying information such as parentage will be necessary. A search of the old parish registers will only be made if the precise place or parish is known, or the event took place in one of the few counties or cities for which indexes exist.

The address of the General Register Office is:

Records Enterprise
New Register House
Edinburgh EH1 3YT
Scotland, UK

To enquire about wills and other deeds and documents write to:

The Scottish Record Office
HM General Register House
Edinburgh EH1 3YY
Scotland.

The above notes were been compiled from the pamphlets issued by the Scottish Records Office (i.e. Su32/592; Su/2B May 1992; Su2A April 92; and Su/1 April 92) and procured in Edinburgh in mid-September 1992.

THEY THAT GO DOWN TO THE SEA IN SHIPS

Allison Carins

Ships, of course, brought all of our earliest settlers to the "Island Continent", and further still to this island colony of Tasmania. Some of our ancestors had some interesting and somewhat hazardous experience³s.

I had always been sure that all our families had been free immigrants, coming out to this new land to better themselves, to secure a future for their children.

After becoming interested in family history research, I have discovered that the first to come out was definitely not free - he came out at "His Majesty's pleasure", but it was certainly to "better himself" - it was the alternative to a sentence to be hanged for "burglariously entering" a rich man's house. His voyage can only be imagined - it hardly bears thinking about. The ship *Indefatigable* arrived at George Town in 1812. He may not have been a model citizen, but he founded a family of four daughters whose descendants have been respected, and some of them prominent in Tasmanian society.

My great-grandfather, William Henry Orchard, a young man of 17 (though he claimed 20 on his ticket), set out from Bridport, Dorset, England, to seek his fortune in Tasmania. A mechanic, he had learned that there were many water-driven flour mills in the north. He was a passenger (no doubt the cheapest fare), on the *Schomberg*, a luxurious new passenger ship on its maiden voyage. A few days out of Melbourne, off Cape Otway, the ship foundered (the Captain was later proved incapable) and William waded ashore. It was Christmas Eve 1855. He arrived in Launceston, sailing from Melbourne on the *Maid of the Yarra* on 31st Dec 1855.

Another ancestor, George Carey didn't make it. He and his wife Sarah and daughter Eliza, had been sponsored as "Bounty Passengers" on the *Donald Mackay* by their three sons, John, William and Samuel, who had previously migrated to Tasmania. Just three days out of Melbourne, George died and was buried at sea. Sarah and Eliza arrived in Melbourne on the 2nd Dec 1861, and continued to Launceston on the *Black Swan*. It would have been a sad reunion between the brothers and their mother and sister.

These days, it is considered quite a serious undertaking to fly across the world with a baby or small children, in a Jumbo for some 24 hours or so. But how would it be to set out on a 10-12 weeks voyage in a cargo ship, with eleven children, the oldest 16 and the youngest 18 months, and another baby expected - to be born shortly after the family arrived in Tasmania? My husband's mother was that baby.

Two Beattie brothers from Angus in Scotland, David with his wife and 11 children and John, his wife and 7 of their 8 children (aged from 21 to 8) sailed on the cargo boat *Abington* loaded with railway iron for West Australia. The deck was fitted out with

temporary cabins. They arrived in Hobart on the 1st May 1884, and there sadly David's 11 year old daughter Christine, died from blood-poisoning.

They had yet to travel to the north east to take up Government grants of land (at one acre per pound (£1) passage money). They left in the small coastal vessel Dorset, sailing up the east coast. Severe storms forced them to shelter in Mussleroe Bay for three weeks. Food supplies almost run out, the little amount of bread was kept for the children, and for the rest, the diet consisted mainly of crayfish.

On landing at Bridport, the next stage was by dray and wagon to the Scottsdale district. David took up land at "Beechwood", Springfield, and John at "Viewbank", Jetsonville. Three more children were born to David and his wife, Christian. She died as a result of the harsh conditions and privations, leaving six children under 10 years, to be cared for by 16 year-old Jessie. A great sacrifice by a little Scottish lady, enabling this family to become established in a land of opportunity.

William and Mary Carins, originally from Newcastle on Tyne, but managing a business in Leominster, Herefordshire, decided to emigrate to Tasmania. They were Quakers and some of the Society of Friends were already settled here. William, though self-educated, had many gifts and abilities that could be put to good account in a developing community, and provide a better future for his children.

They embarked, with four small children, on the *Gulf of St Vincent* from Royal Albert Docks, London, on the 17th August 1886. Their fares amounted to 63 pounds, somewhat in the vicinity of a year's wages. We have their ticket which included the list of the weekly rations in detail - down to the salt and pepper!

Mary was a Homeopathic nurse, taking on board her box of medicines and a large crock of lime water to keep them well. Practical in helping others all her life, she herself needed help when she fell down a companionway and was laid up for several days.

The ship made calls at the Canary Is., Cape Town and Western Australia, and finally, 78 days from London, they arrived in Launceston - all safe and well. William had written to a friend a month before leaving ... "I am taking a serious step with my little family, but feel, on the whole, faith in God's good providence who loveth and careth for the least of all His works."

He would have been satisfied that he had made the right decision. His family (there were three more children) has prospered and made a valuable contribution to this country.

Psalms 107:23,24 "They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters: These see the works of the Lord and His wonders in the deep ..." v.29-31. "He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still. Then are they glad because they are quiet; and so He bringeth them to their desired haven. On that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men!"

Allison Carins

Fernbank Winnaleah Tas 7265

TOTAL LOSS OF THE SCHOONER *HARP* ON WRECK REEF

On Monday, 24 ult., at 9 a.m. the *Jenny Lind* sighted a whale boat off Fraser's Island, bearing down toward the vessel, which afterwards proved to be a boat containing a portion of the crew of the schooner *Harp*, from Hobart Town. It appears that the *Harp* left Hobart Town in April last for the Islands in search of Guano, and on Friday, the 14th ult., she was off Wreck Reef, and had taken in about 100 tons, when she missed stays, and drifted on to rocks. In half an hour her low bulwarks were submerged, and the vessel was fast sinking, only affording time for the steward to secure bags of potatoes. The crew remained on the reef for five days, and whilst the vessel was breaking up a bag of biscuits, and two or three casks of water washed ashore, with which they put to sea, hoping to make the land of the Australian coast - Captain Fisher with his son and nephew and four of the men taking to the whale boat, and the mate and six remaining hands to the long boat. The portion of the crew picked up by the *Jenny Lind* were kindly entertained by Captain Curran, who offered to put them into Wide Bay or take them on to Rockhampton. Captain Fisher, however, preferred going to Moreton Bay, and with provisions replenished they again set sail in the boat. They stated that they parted company with the long boat two nights previously, and had been out to sea five days, during which they had sailed 200 miles - ten days having elapsed since the wreck of the vessel. Knowing the missing boat could not be far off, the *Jenny Lind* tacked ship and went out to sea for the remainder of the day, keeping a good look out from the masthead, but without success. The Captain of the *Harp* is a brother of the owner, Mr William Fisher, of Hobart Town - Having ourselves been passengers per *Jenny Lind* we can bear testimony to Captain Curran's generous and kindly conduct towards these unfortunate seamen. June 29 - The steamer *Clarence* reports the safe arrival of both boats at Moreton Island, with the whole of the crew of the *Harp*.

Extracted from the "ROCKHAMPTON BULLETIN AND NORTH QUEENSLAND ADVERTISER" No. 1 Rockhampton, Tuesday, July 9, 1861. Price 6d.

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The publication of this volume brings to a conclusion my series of "Fleet Families" volumes. Whilst it is true that there was no such historical entity as the Fourth Fleet, since each of the three convict ships arriving in 1792 sailed and arrived separately, I was anxious to publish the families of those arriving in the year 1792 for several reasons:

I believe that the year 1792 was in many ways the end of the beginning in the history of Australia. 1792 was the last year of the governorship of Captain Arthur Phillip, he left the colony at the end of 1792 aboard the Atlantic and so these were the last of the convicts to be welcomed to their new land by the original founder and to no doubt receive from him his usual inducements to better conduct and behaviour which in turn would lead to a better future both for themselves and for their families, as indeed in many cases it did.

1792 was the last year that the Marines performed their guard duties before being replaced fully by the New South Wales Corps and all the changes that this change of regime had in stall for the future of the colony.

1792 was the last year that the little society in the colony consisted solely of the convicted and those guarding and administering the convicted. The arrival of the Bellona in 1793 with it's first contingent of free settlers added another dimension to colonial society which would change forever its previous character.

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UNDERCLIFFE CEMETERY, BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE

Since its opening on 10th March 1854 over 123,700 interments have taken place. The "first resident" being Ann Scurf, aged 23 years, who was buried in the Unconsecrated section. By 1st February 1899 over 2,466 burials had already taken place. This number included 1,035 remains transferred from the Bradford Parish Church of St. Peter - now the Cathedral.

Following a decline in use and competition from municipal cemeteries and crematoria the Bradford Cemetery Co. went into liquidation. The property was sold in the mid 1970s for a very low sum. Many of the lovely Victorian headstones were broken up and sold for fill and the remainder suffered sorely from neglect.

A group of dedicated historians and friends fought a long battle with the authorities and finally a new company was formed, with the support of the Council, to administer and promote the cemetery as a place of historical importance and burials are, I believe, once again taking place.

My ancestor doesn't appear to have a headstone, perhaps it was one of those destroyed, but thanks to rediscovered records his resting place can be identified.

I tell this tale with the hope that next time you are asked to assist with TAMIOT thought may be given to the headstones lost and what we can do to preserve them and the information they hold. Come and join a happy band of transcribers as we battle the elements and brambles!

Isobel Harris, Devonport.

TIFFIN AMONGST THE TOMBS

A TAKEAWAY curry in a cemetery is the latest idea cooked up by tourist chiefs to bring visitors to the city of Bradford, considered Britain's curry capital.

"You just couldn't do better than dine on an Indian takeaway in the peaceful surroundings of Undercliffe cemetery" declared tourism and conference officer Gina Glot.

The city boasts the most Indian restaurants per person in Britain, according to the Curry Club of Great Britain.

The Victorian cemetery boasts a wide variety of sculptures including weeping angels and obelisks.

Melbourne Sun, Tuesday 16 June 1992

GLEANINGS

LDS Family History Centres

The LDS church is obtaining copies of the 1891 Census records on microfiche and the St. Catherine's House Index (1837-1906) on microfilm which will be distributed between their Family History Centres at Devonport, Hobart and Launceston and three centres in the ACT.

The records will be divide into six groups and will be circulated around the six centres so that each centre will have a look at each group yearly. These records should appear in the centres very soon.

The following charges will be made for using these records:

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| St. Catherine's House Index | \$1.00 for each year used. |
| 1891 Census | \$1.00 for each registration district. |

Photograph Album

Over the past few months Maree Ring has noted that the Anchorage Antique shop, Sandy Bay, has a photograph album for sale. It consists of 24 small photographs including some from the Spurling Studios of Brisbane Street, Launceston (1874-1900?) and other Launceston, Melbourne and Geelong photographers. The only named photograph is one of Ruby Jane FULLER age 4 1/2 months. Another photograph has the name Louis and is undated. The album is priced at \$48. No member of this Society appears to have registered an interest in the FULLER name but there may be someone out there researching this family who may be interested in this album.

Research in Southland, New Zealand

John Tourelle of Invercargill, New Zealand writes a monthly genealogical column in the *Southland Times*, the daily newspaper for Southland which is circulated throughout Southland and a fair portion of Otago. John is a member of the N.Z.S.G. and is a Past President of the Southland Group of this Society.

John's column includes an Inquirer's Corner, which allows for inquiries of up to about 100 words. There is no charge for these inquiries but he recommends that an SAE or an IRC be enclosed as often information is already available relating to those enquired about. A copy of the article can be enclosed in the SAE for 20 cents extra.

All enquiries should be addressed to Heritage Column, 129 Lorn Street, Invercargill, 9501, New Zealand.

Purchase of BDM Certificates from Scotland

Mary and Alec Cameron, PO Box E73, Parramatta, NSW 2150, have written to the Society advising that they are able to obtain Scottish BDM certificates at a cheaper rate

than those charged by the General Register Office, Scotland. They are able to offer rates cheaper than those charged by the GRO for mail orders because researchers attending in person are able to buy certificates at concession rates.

Births Marriages and Deaths etc

(for statutory certificates/OPR's/Censuses)

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| Full Transcripts (exact copy) | \$12.00 per entry |
| (where not found) | \$7.00 per entry) |

The actual formal document from the GRO Scotland is \$20.00

The above are firm prices at July 1992. Anyone interested send details, together with cheque or postal order in favour of Mary Cameron at the above address and include a stamped self address envelope, at least 22x11cm.

Censearch

Censearch is an organisation in Western Australia which is currently computerising the entire 1841 English Census. The development of the 1841 database will allow researchers to locate missing ancestors or families for the pre-English Civil registration period at a minimum cost.

The project commenced late in 1990 and in July this year 4 counties had been completed. Some 750,000 names from the counties of Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Cambridgeshire and Huntingdonshire are on the database. Of this total, 245,00 are for Middlesex/London and include the areas of Central (Holborn), North Central and North West regions.

For further information write, including a stamped self-addressed envelope, to Censearch, PO Box 557, Morley, Perth. WA 6062.

Central Army Records

The Central Army Records Office has changed its name to Soldiers Career Management Authority and their address is GPO Box 1923R, Melbourne 3001.

NSW Supreme Court Probate Index

The Devonport Branch advises that they hold the a copy the New South Wales Supreme Court Probate Index which was mentioned in the previous issue of this journal (p. 109).

Unassisted Arrivals to NSW 1842-1854

Pastkeys announce that they are now willing to undertake searches in their index to the Unassisted arivals to NSW 1842-1854. This index has been compiled form three series of archives Office records (Reports of vessels arrived, Passengersarriving Sydney 1846 and Harbour Master's reports) and the Shipping Intelligence Columns of the *Sydney Morning Herald*. Searches of the above index cost \$8.00 per surname, however it is not

possible to supply a list of every Mr. & Mrs. Smith, Jones, Brown or other common surnames who arrived in this period. For further details contact PASTKEYS, PO Box 116, Rockdale, NSW 2216.

Notes from the Exchange Journals

The Family Tree (Journal of the Family history Society of New Zealand) Vol. 23 No. 4 contains an interesting story of the emigration of the Huguenots from France and the low Countries to England.

If you are looking for a photo, sketch or lithograph of the ships your ancestors arrived in Australia on, the staff at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, London SE10 9FN, UK will search their index and supply a price list on request. Please include IRCs or English stamps. (From *Mallee Roots*, publication of the Swan Hill G & H Society, Feb. 1992).

The Cedar Log, Sept 1992, no. 33 (from the Richmond and Tweed Head FHS) contains a story on the Perry Family Circus entertainers, originally from Launceston, Tasmania. George Perry, convict, had the first license for the circus in 1847. The family later moved to Queensland

Looking for Freemasons - write to the United Grand Lodge of England, Freemasons hall, Greater Queen St., London WC2B 5AZ or in Australia to United Grand Lodge, 300 Albert Street, East Melbourne, Victoria 3002 (From *Rootes* - Gold Coast and Albert Genealogical Society).

The *Devon Family Historian*, Aug 1992, Gives details of marriage and strays indexes for the county of Devon. The strays index which contains over 25,000 names, lists names of people born in Devon but found in other counties in the UK on census returns, marriage registers and headstones. The 1813-mid 1837 marriage index covers almost all marriages registered in Devon for that period. The index for 1754-1812 is still in progress so does not as yet contain as many parishes. The fee for a search is £1 (this covers up to four marriages) plus 25p per marriage in excess of four. A "blanket Search" is possible, the charge for this will be a non-returnable £5 to cover for up to 20 entries. Each additional entry will be 25p. Requests for searches should be sent, together with the appropriate fee and a SAE or two IRCs to Mr. John Glanville, 3 Highclere Gardens, Widewell, Roborough, Plymouth, PL6 7EA for the 1754-1812 index or to Mr. Maurice Pike, no 4 High Meadows, St. Thomas, Exeter EX4 1RJ. Information from the strays index is obtainable from Mrs. Sheila Pike.

BOOK REVIEWS

Scottish Family History: A research and source guide, Vol. 1, by John Lawrence Cairns-Smith-Barth, 1986, soft cover, 189 pages. A copy is held in the Launceston Branch library.

This book came my way to read because of my interest in Scotland and my surname. Diligent searching has failed to find that crowd but I am hoping to use information from this book to add to my Stirlingshire Perthshire families.

I found a wealth of detail between the covers, including listings of the burial grounds from 32 counties which have been transcribed. As there are no maps in the book, readers should heed the author's advice on page 38 and have a gazetteer close handy to check just where your parish town county is.

As the book was published in 1986, some addresses, prices, etc are sure to have changed. Check with your branch library before you write to Scotland.

Margaret McKenzie

Marriage, Census and other Indexes for Family Historians edited by Jeremy Gibson and Elizabeth Hampson, published by the Federation of Family History Societies, Birmingham, 1992, 60pp., A5, soft cover, £2.50.

This is the fourth edition of a guide invaluable to those with British and/or Irish research. I regularly use the Marriage and Burial indexes with great success and have received help and information from compilers of many other diverse indexes included in the book. Check your county to see what is available and, in particular, the miscellaneous indexes listed at the end of the book.

Occupational Sources for Genealogists: a Bibliography by Stuart Raymond, published by the Federation of Family History Societies, Birmingham, 1992, 88pp., A5, soft covers, £6.

Whilst not purporting to be a comprehensive bibliography, this book contains references to books, articles, directories, records, etc. relating to listed occupations, all intended to assist the researcher and comprising only entries considered to have direct genealogical value. Extremely varied occupations (the term is broadly used) include blacksmiths, artists, whisky distillers, witches, coachmen, etc. No doubt many items referred to would be obtainable through the inter-library loan system.

Gloucestershire and Bristol: A Genealogical Bibliography by Stuart Raymond, published by the Federation of Family History Societies, Birmingham, 1992, 88pp., A5, soft covers, £6.

One of a series of reference books being published county by county, primarily for genealogists. Intended to avoid unnecessary research for information which has already been published and is readily available in printed form. Includes births, baptisms, marriages and deaths from various sources, notes, or publications on named families.

probate collections, monumental inscriptions, directories, and maps, emigration etc. Anyone researching the area should refer to this book which is author indexed.

The above three books are available from the Federation of Family History Societies, Birmingham and Midland Institute, Margaret Street, Birmingham B3 3BS, England. An additional amount should be included for postage.

Jo Keen

Barefoot and Pregnant: Irish Famine Orphans in Australia, compiled by Trevor McClaughlin, published by Genealogical Society of Victoria Inc., Melbourne, 1991, 256pp., A5, soft cover. Available from the GSV Inc., 252 Swanston Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3000, for \$25.00 plus \$5.00 p&p.

Between October 1848 and August 1850, over 4,000 female orphan immigrants arrived at Sydney, Port Phillip and Adelaide, to settle in Australia. From all over Ireland, they were victims of the Great Famine. They had been selected from the inmates of the workhouses under Earl Grey's pauper immigration scheme to help solve Australia's labour shortage and to redress the imbalance of the sexes.

The clash between Victorian middle class morality with female Irish working class values bedevilled the immigration scheme from start to finish and inevitably the women were the losers. Condemned by contemporaries as promiscuous and ill-suited for work in the colonies, the "damned whore" image has persisted regardless of what the reality was.

Trevor McClaughlin's study attempts to correct this distortion and makes us take a fresh look at the orphans. Who were these young women? What were the conditions for the girls in Ireland? What became of them once they arrive in Australia? Documents reprinted from English, Irish and Australian sources throw light on Irish and Imperial as well as Australian history.

The volume includes a register of the ships, with names of the girls, their ages, parents, native place and religion. Occasionally other information such as husband, children and place of residence is also given. Trevor McClaughlin has made use of family reconstitutions in his study of the orphans.

Altogether a very well researched and presented study, which has been comprehensively indexed and a must for those with a female Irish orphan amongst their ancestors or for anyone interested in the role of the Irish in Australian history.

Anne Bartlett

Miscellaneous Certificates, Vol 1 by Jill Statton, 1992, A5, soft cover.

The first in a new series, this publication is an index to certificates and other documents provided by contributors. This volume lists 10,000 names in 4,500 entries. Each entry includes the full name of the person/s, including Maiden names, type of certificate or document, consistory, date of event or origin, place of event, registration or origin and other applicable details. All maiden names and surnames different to the entry surname have been cross referenced.

As well as information from birth, death and marriage certificates, information from any documents that are dated and include biographical information has been listed. These include wills, confirmation certificates, burial or lessee documents, school certificates, admission register entries, employment testimonials, health records, census documents, war service records, etc. The names and addresses of contributors are included so that copies of the documents and/or further information may be obtained directly from them, for the nominated fee.

The documents included refer to persons world-wide, both living and deceased, who need not necessarily have lived in Australia. However while the documents included are not restricted to South Australia, there is a strong representation of events that were recorded in South Australia and Victoria.

Copies are available from the author at Branch Out Research and Services, 199 Seacombe Road, Brighton, SA 5048 at a cost of \$12.50 plus \$3.00 p&h. Information about participating in the project is also available from this address (please include a SAE).

FAMILY REUNIONS

SHERRIFF

A reunion for the descendants of three brothers - George, Humphrey and Benjamin SHERRIFF is planned for the 16 and 17 January 1993 at the Deloraine (Tasmania) Football Ground. Benjamin SHERRIFF married Caroline DINE (1852); Humphrey married Lucy SMITH (1852) and Hannah CARR (1868); and George married Mary Ann COCKFIELD (1852) and Annie McLEAN (1869)

Some early family names of descendants include the following: ROWBOTTOM, MUNTING, McKENZIE, FRASER, BRENNAN, SHEPHARD, CROWDEN, KILPATRICK, AYLETT, SUTCLIFFE.

For further information please contact:

Dawn Williams, 4 Vicary Street, Triabunna, Tasmania 7190. Phone (002) 57 3575.
Corrie Imms, 36 Malunna Crescent, Burnie, Tasmania 7320. Phone (004) 31 3073.

BESWICK RE-UNION

Elaine Dobie,

A re-union of the descendants of Thomas and Mary Beswick was held on Saturday, 29th February and Sunday, 1st March, 1992. Thomas and Mary were married at St. John's Anglican Church, Launceston on the 6th May, 1834. Mary, formerly Mary Mackenzie, was a young widow. She had married Jeremiah Peck in Launceston on 2nd Nov. 1829 and they had one child, Mary Ann. The descendants of this daughter, who married Martin Hardy, were also included in the re-union.

The children of Mary and Thomas Beswick were:

Thomas (Thomas II) married Catherine CLARK/PEEVER.

Margaret married George NEWMAN.

Jane married John HARRIS.

Louisa died as a child.

Sarah married Charles McIVOR.

Charlotte married Alexander JAMES, and

Samuel, who married Ada KERR, his half first cousin.

The family lived for more than twenty years near St. Leonards, then known as Patterson's Plains, on a property left to Mary by her father, Alexander Mackenzie, who came to Australia with Governor Macquarie's regiment.

Of the children Samuel and Ada had no family but all the others except the McIvors were represented at the re-union. Sarah and Charles McIvor married in Melbourne in 1869 and we have now located some of the family. We were delighted to have thirty attend from interstate and New Zealand. Because there was only one son in the first family who had children, there are many Beswick descendants who are unaware of the re-union. The majority of the 300 who attended were therefore descendants of Thomas II, although we had worked hard trying to locate many of the other branches. Some of the interstate visitors were descended from Mary Mackenzie's half sister. There were those who were related in other ways and just wanted to come.

One member of the Hardy branch arrived with an exercise book containing one hundred more names for that branch.

The main event was held at Myrtle Park and people arrived to the skirl of bagpipes. After recording their names early arrivals were able to inspect the display in the hall. The proceedings opened with a welcome by Mr. John Beswick, MHA, chairman of the organising committee and Mr. Michael Gandy, a descendant of Thomas II, was Master of Ceremonies.

The book on the history of the family, incorporating the Family Tree, written by the Rev. David Beswick, was on sale. Computer skills were used in compiling the family tree, which was displayed on one wall. There were more than 1500 names on the Tree, but we are conscious that there are many still missing. Another descendant was

responsible for an excellent photographic display. All of this attracted a great deal of interest.

After lunch, the eldest member present from each branch was included in the ceremony of cutting the re-union cake. Mrs. Dorothy Russell (nee Beswick) cut the cake with the assistance of Mr. Ron Beattie, (since deceased), representing the Hardy Branch and Hedley James, in the presence of Mrs. Fay Mainsbridge (nee Newman) and Mrs. Maureen James. Mrs. Jean McKinnon (nee Freeboth), aged 94, was the oldest person at the re-union and her family owned Myrtle Park years ago. Jean is a descendant of Margaret Kerr, the half sister of Mary Beswick (nee MacKenzie). The committee was thanked by Mr. John Cleary, MHA, another descendant of Thomas II. Formalities concluded with the taking of official and many unofficial photographs.

Following the activities at Myrtle Park, a dinner for 150 was held at Lord's Hotel, Scottsdale. Thomas II had run the first hotel in Scottsdale, The Dogwood Tavern, in the late 1860's. This was situated on the site of the original Lord's Hotel. During the evening a speech of appreciation was made by Mr. Ralph Fardon of Perth, W.A.

Sunday began with a visit to Ellesmere Cemetery at Scottsdale, where Mary Beswick was buried as Mary Fuller. After Thomas died in 1877, she married again, to a Mr. Fuller. Then, as a widow for the third time, she had lived with her daughter Mary Ann Hardy at Scottsdale. Graves of members of the Hardy and James families are also there. We moved on to the Branxholm Cemetery, where Thomas II, his wife Catherine and a number of their descendants are buried. A commemorative service was held there by the Rev. Dr. David Beswick of Victoria.

Lunch was taken at Derby, as a picnic at the Tin Mine Centre. The party then moved in a group up to "Florence Vale", the property selected by Thomas II in 1880. A cairn on the site of the first homestead was unveiled in memory of Thomas and Catherine by John Beswick, assisted by Kathleen Alexander, two of their great grandchildren.

As a conclusion to the weekend, relatives moved around to "Claremont" at the western end of the adjoining Beswick properties where afternoon tea was taken at the home. The verandahs and garden accommodated the large party. The whole weekend was enjoyed by all and was a huge success.

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