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EDITORIAL

This is the twentieth and last issue of *Tasmanian Ancestry* produced by the northern Journal Committee. The team from Launceston took over the production of the Society's Journal following the successful congress at Launceston in 1991. The Journal has always been very much a co-operative effort. Betty Woods and Maureen Martin both typed articles and when Maureen obtained a full time job, Sandra Duck took her place. Jo Keen proof-read the entire issue each time (sometimes twice) until she began to have problems with her vision, and reviewed many of the books donated to the Society. Barbara Valentine undertook the proof-reading when Jo was no longer able to do so. Jenny Gill, the Associate Editor, assisted with proof-reading and wrote the editorial for each issue. Occasionally these were controversial but she stimulated discussion on topics which were current at the time. Until the committee had its own computer, Brian Green provided the headings for all of the articles.

I would like to thank all the editorial panel for their help and support during the last five years. Whenever one member was sick or on holidays the others would willingly take on the extra tasks as well as their own. Most importantly thanks to all those members who have contributed articles for the Journal, especially those who provided articles at short notice because the committee were short of copy. Without these people the Journal would not exist.

This edition of *Tasmanian Ancestry* is loaded with great items. I had said that I would like to make this last issue a super issue and I asked the Launceston Branch members to provide the articles. I would like to thank those who took up the challenge, I think that they have excelled themselves. Articles by Margaret McKenzie and Marion Dowsett concentrate on aspects of the history of Northern Tasmania. Lorraine Macknight's article on the records of the Launceston City Council show what a wealth of information is available in these records which are being made more accessible by her work in providing guides. Both Lorraine and Marion spoke at Launceston Branch meetings on their topics. Betty Calverley, Jenny Gill and Barbara Valentine's article on the Cypress Street Cemetery shows that every little clue is worth following. Dian Smith's article on the Lower Court records opens the door to another goldmine of information if you are prepared to dig and Jo Keen's examines the value of directories. Thelma Grunnell shows some of the records you can use for tracing English policemen while Malcolm Turnbull and I describe the lives of two early settlers. While few will be connected to these settlers, everyone may gain something from the lists of references provided. Finally there is an excellent article on writing your family history, written by a judge of a family history award.

The production of the Journal is returning to Hobart with a committee headed by Rosemary Davidson as Editor and Cynthia O'Neill as Associate Editor. We wish them every success in their efforts and urge all members to continue to support the Journal.

Anne Bartlett, Editor

Cover design: John Tevelein's monument was erected at Cypress Street Cemetery by public subscription. The monument, consisting of a bluestone obelisk mounted on a marble base and surrounded by an iron fence, was the work of Mr John Edwards, George-street. It cost £61 and the inscription reads: *Erected by the residents of Launceston in memory of John Tevelein, who died Sept. 5, 1879, aged 75 years, the acknowledged friend of the working classes.*

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There have recently been several changes in areas which have a direct bearing on Society matters and I would like to publicly acknowledge the part played by a number of persons stepping down from office.

In the first instance Lyn Hookway has for personal reasons stood down from the position of Membership Secretary. Lyn first took on this task as an adjunct to her duties as State Treasurer but has continued with the membership work for nearly five years after passing over the Treasurer's position. For all your time Lyn we thank you sincerely.

Due to the transfer of AFFHO from Sydney to West Australia, we have received a letter of resignation from Heather Garnsey who has been our representative at AFFHO Council meetings over the last six years or so. It is important that our Society be represented at AFFHO meetings in order to express our views when necessary and Heather has ably represented us on these occasions. Thank you Heather for your generous contribution to our Society.

Since 1991 our quarterly journal *Tasmanian Ancestry* has been produced and distributed by a small but dedicated team from the Launceston Branch, ably led by Anne Bartlett as Editor and Bev Perkins as Journal Co-ordinator. I am well aware that some people find it easier to throw brickbats than bouquets but despite this the team has continued to produce a quality journal time after time after time. As this issue is to be the last produced by the Launceston team for the foreseeable future I would like to say to them all a sincere "Well Done".

David Harris, President

LILIAN WATSON GENEALOGIST EXTRA-ORDINAIRE

All members would know of Lilian Watson and would have read much about her genealogical achievements in the September 1995 edition of *Tasmanian Ancestry*, which told you why Lilian was awarded the first Fellowship of the Genealogical Society of Tasmania Inc. Many of you would have known her, and a large number would have counted her as a personal friend. Every one of you will have your own special memories of this very special person.

Lilian was born in Queensland in the early thirties. She was a member of a large family, growing up in difficult economic times. Sacrifices were made to ensure that she had a good education, and that her musical talents were cultivated. Strong emphasis in the home was placed on Christian beliefs, the development of high moral values, the role of the church, and the value of quality personal relationships. These were the foundations on which she built her rich life.

In her late teens she met a young visitor to one of the church groups and romance soon flourished. So much so, that she soon felt the need to move from Queensland to become Neil's bride and to work together at establishing a home and a family in Tasmania. Initially, she continued with her

secretarial work, and her teaching and learning in the church. They lived at Glen Huon and Lilian became a vital member of the community until her health problems necessitated the movement of the family to Hobart.



Lilian Watson receiving her certificate from David Harris, President of Genealogical Society of Tasmania Inc

At both Glen Huon and Hobart, Lilian put her great home making skills to work. These endeavours continued and were strikingly evident to me just two weeks before her death when I spent several hours with her in her new house. The house was a great delight to her and her great pride in it was evident as she talked of her plans for the future. People were so important to her, and people had been foremost in her mind as she planned the house with space for friends, space to work, space for teaching groups, space for church and musical groups and living space for family and visitors. She proudly displayed the curtains and furnishings she had made, the overflowing pantry and freezers full of jams and preserves and the produce from her garden. She delighted in walking us through her garden and then filling the car with cuttings and plants for our new garden. Her love and pride in her home and her family could never have been made more evident.

While she was in the Huon, she set about getting her family history in order. Many of the records she wanted were in Queensland, while most of what she wanted here were disorganised, relatively unknown and far away from where she was living. Many would have taken the easy way out, but not Lilian. That was not her way of life. Challenges were there to be met, and in the same way that she would say to others, "Well, what are you going to do about it?" - or - "Well, you had better pull yourself together and get on with it." She got on with it. She searched and she delved, and she learned and she wrote. Today we reap the benefits of her labours.

While she was discovering hidden genealogical records, politicians and others were learning that there was only so much pressure which they could withstand. Lilian and a small group of

enthusiasts soon exceeded their thresholds of endurance. The result today is our free access to the Registrar-General's records of Births, Deaths and Marriages up to 1900. What a tribute to her it would be if we could repeat that work and, for the year 2000, add another twenty or thirty years of records. To achieve this you would need to put in the same kind of effort as Lilian and her group did.

You have read in our recent article of her work for the Australian Institute of Genealogical Studies in Victoria and Tasmania, and the consequent establishment of the Genealogical Society of Tasmania in which Lilian was a dominant figure at State and Branch level. You would have read of her radio talk-back programs, her magazine articles and her newspaper contributions. Like me you may have been fortunate enough to be a student in an Adult Education Class, inspired by her enthusiasm and filled with the fruits of her years of research.

Lilian was a teacher. Those who were in her classes, be they Adult Education genealogical groups, church groups, youth groups or whatever, all knew that. Those who came in contact with her knew it as she continually challenged them and made them question their practices and values. She led by example. Good teachers leave lasting examples and this Lilian Watson most certainly did.

Of course her work was not just local and she was a national figure of the highest repute. Her views were sought and respected; her presence at national meetings valued. She reached heights few of us dream about, and fewer still can match.

As well as our Society, Lilian was involved with the establishment of the First Settlers Association and was dedicated to the work of the Family History Centre of the Church of Latter Day Saints. It was therefore fitting that after a very moving funeral service, family historians were invited to form a guard of honour.

I have some flowers of Lilian's in my garden; I have some notes of Lilian's in my desk; I've done some research made possible by Lilian's work in the past; I've got some good ideas on research in my head, put there by Lilian; I've got some standards of research given to me by Lilian; I've got some treasured feelings of Lilian in my heart. What have you got?

To Neil and the family the Society, all of the Branches and all of the members offer sincerest sympathies for the loss they sustained with the passing of Lilian on 16 March 1996, and express our gratitude for the memories she has left us.

C.B. Ward, Hobart Branch President.

FAMILY HISTORY AWARD

1996 Entries and Distribution List

Revd Bevin G. Fist, <i>A Convict from Canterbury</i>	Burnie
Paul B. Edwards, <i>Of Yesteryear and Nowadays</i>	Huon
Alma Ranson - <i>The Jordans of the Three Isles</i>	Launceston
Audrey C. Trebilco, <i>Letters from Scotland</i>	Launceston
F.K. Dale, <i>300 Years Down the Dales</i>	Launceston
Joan M. Graney, <i>The Whitesides of Birralue</i>	Hobart
Thelma N. Birrell, <i>Mariners, merchants ... then Pioneers</i>	Hobart
Noreen M. Stubbs, <i>The Deegans: An Irish Melody</i>	Devonport

1997 Family History Award

for

"A Home Produced Book"

Entries close 31 December 1996

What is a 'Home Produced Book'? It is a work that is typed or produced as a computer print out, reproduced for public (or private) sale by photocopying or a like process in a simple binding e.g. staple, ring, plastic spiral or jacket etc. but not by a commercial printer/publisher. This is a do-it-yourself book. Whilst a significant Tasmanian content is required, the history need not be wholly Tasmanian. It must be the story of a family, not an individual person. The competition is open to the general public as well as to members of the Society. The winner will be selected by an independent judging panel appointed by the Society.

Further information and entry forms are available from branch libraries

BRANCH NEWS

BURNIE

President	Doug Forrest	(004) 31 1882
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The February meeting was a social get together with free use of the library facilities and an information help night. Frank Duggan, a visitor from Canberra, told members of his researching in the Rosebery - Renison Bell area and also for an ancestor Wally (Walter John) Hines who died in World War I. Subsequent assistance from members unearthed some remarkable information.

Members set up a successful display stand in the Burnie State Library for Family History Week, and several comments were received back from the public.

The value of family history computer programs was discussed and examples of the print-outs from these programs were shown at the March meeting.

At the branch annual general meeting night the after-meeting feature was an information session by some of the members outlining the procedures and methods for writing letters overseas for information on family history. The following members were elected to the branch executive committee at the annual general meeting:

President	Mr Doug Forest	(004) 31 1882
Vice President		
Secretary	Mr Ray Hyland	(004) 31 7404
Treasurer	Mr Rex Collins	(004) 31 1113
Library	Miss Vernice Dudman	(004) 31 1378
Research	Mrs Sybil Russell	(004) 33 0245
Committee	Mrs Elaine Murray	(004) 31 1682
	Mrs Shirley Medwin	(004) 33 3904
	Mr Villy Scott	(004) 25 2566
	Mrs Diane Kidd	(004) 35 7349
	Mrs Marj Margetts	(004) 33 3337
	Mrs Dawn Collins	(004) 31 1113
Branch Delegates	Mr Doug Forest	(004) 31 1882
	Mr Ray Hyland	(004) 31 7404
Alternate	Mrs Shirley Medwin	(004) 31 3905

Other officers not members of the executive committee are:

Publications	Mrs Kathy Radford	
Historian	Mrs Margaret Marshall	(004) 31 1366

DEVONPORT

President	Mrs Sue McCreghan	(004) 282288
Secretary	Mrs Isobel Harris	(004) 24 5328
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Recent speakers at the monthly meetings have given much valuable and interesting information. David Duff spoke about the numerous mines in the Moina area and also some of the families who once lived in the township of Moina. Bert Campbell's topic was the history and restoration of "Sherwood Hall" which is now located at Bells Parade, Latrobe. This was once the home of Thomas Johnson and his wife, Dolly Dalrymple and the house was formerly situated a short distance upstream on the bank of the Mersey River.

The work of transcribing and checking cemetery transcriptions is proceeding very well. Adrian Loone is to be congratulated for his enthusiasm. All sections of the Mersey Vale Lawn Cemetery are now complete and most of the cemeteries within the surrounding districts have been updated.

The members from Devonport who joined with the Launceston Branch on their trip to the Evandale/Nile area were most appreciative of a wonderful day. Members are now looking forward to further "jaunts".

The Library is being opened for a trial period on the second Saturday afternoon of each month from 1.30 until 3.30 p.m. Anyone who wishes to use the Library during these hours is asked to first contact Isobel Harris, telephone (004) 24 5328, to be given details on the method of entry to the building.

The following members were elected to the branch executive committee at the annual general meeting:

President	Mrs Sue McCreghan	(004) 28 2288
Vice President	Mr Adrian Loone	(004) 26 1470
Secretary	Mrs Isobel Harris	(004) 24 5328
Treasurer	Mr John Dare	(004) 24 7889
Librarian	Mrs Merle Fitzmaurice	(004) 24 3323
Research	Mrs France Yates	(004) 25 3236
TAMIOT	Mr Adrian Loone	(004) 26 1470
Committee	Miss Louise Richardson	(004) 24 4930
	Mrs Barbara King	(004) 25 2689
	Mrs Rosie Marshall	(004) 26 7334
Branch Delegates	Mrs Christine Morris	(004) 27 8461
	Mrs Isobel Harris	(004) 24 5328
Alternate	Mr John Dare	(004) 24 7889

HOBART

President	Bryce Ward	(002) 43 7884
Secretary	Cynthia O'Neill	(002) 28 3175
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This period has been a very sad one for us with the passing of Lilian Watson which is commented on elsewhere. Lilian would expect us to put a positive face on this and we can do this by being ever grateful for her outstanding contribution to the Hobart branch, the Society, and all of the members as individuals.

The branch annual general meeting saw the retirement from the branch executive of the Vice-President, Denise McNeice, Librarian, Morris Lansdell, and Membership Officer, Nola Ward. Denise has a long record of dedicated service to the Society and the branch in a number of senior positions. Fortunately, she will remain active as a branch delegate and a research officer, and will still be fully involved in all activities. Morris also is not severing his ties, but will remain as the Librarian, with some assistance from Colleen Read. The contribution of members such as these is what enables our branch to be effective and helpful to its members. We thank very much the three retiring members for what they have done, and what they all will continue to do.

New members to come on to the committee are Verona Maddock, Michael Howe and Jeanine Connors. Jeanine is taking on the duties of Treasurer, with some help from Lucy Knott. This has enabled Colleen Read to become Vice-President. It is pleasing to see newer members coming forward and accepting positions of responsibility. This was also evident when we had a meeting to establish a committee to take over the *Tasmanian Ancestry* preparation and distribution later in the year. You do not have to be one of the most experienced researchers to help run the branch, or be involved in Society activities. Newer members often say to me, "Oh, I couldn't do that as I

don't know much about research yet." Such expertise is not a pre-requisite for most positions; indeed a relatively new member has just successfully joined a library team and is most capably looking after the front desk. What about you?

The following members were elected to the Hobart branch executive committee at the annual general meeting in April:

President	Mr Bryce Ward	(002) 43 7884
Vice-President	Mrs Colleen Read	(002) 44 4527
Secretary	Mrs Cynthia O'Neill	(002) 28 3175
Treasurer	Mrs Jeannine Connors	(002) 28 2836
Committee	Mrs Anne Hay	(002) 44 2984
	Mr David Hodgson	(002) 29 7185
	Mr Michael Howe	(002) 44 7062
	Mr Charles Hunt	(002) 44 6943
	Ms Vee Maddock	(002) 43 9592
	Mrs Maree Ring	(002) 72 9650
Branch Delegates	Mr Leslie Young	(002) 43 9131
	Mrs Colleen Read	(002) 44 4527
	Mrs Denise McNeice	(002) 28 3564
Alternate Delegate	Mrs Anne Hay	(002) 44 2984
Librarian	Mr Morris Lansdell	(002) 23 2226

Forthcoming speakers are:

July	Hank Rhee - Cornelian Bay Cemetery
August	Stephan Petrov - Managing The City- Hobart 1875-1914.

The English Research Group under Colleen Read and the Computer Group under Allan Wilson continue to flourish. Do you want to come along? On the matter of English research, we have only to receive the fiche for the 1881 Census of Lanarkshire, Middlesex and Lancashire to complete the English series. These will all be available by the end of the year, a little earlier than had been expected. While this will place a heavy financial burden on the branch, we hope that they will be well used by the members.

If you cannot attend the meetings at the Rosny Library at 8.00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month, then can you come to our library at Bellerive at 2.00 p.m. on the first Sunday of August or November for the English Group? You never know what you may learn.

HUON

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Secretary	Elaine Burton	(002) 64 1335
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The year commenced with members working together on an election day (24 February) stall and raffle which raised \$500 to go towards more research materials.

Merrin Holstein, the branch's TAMIOT leader, and her husband have our congratulations on the birth of another daughter, Tabitha Jean.

The main library room had to have a new floor, so a few members with the help of the men of The Ranelagh Hall Management Committee moved all the materials and cupboards, computer etc into the other two rooms after the February meeting. The following Friday we were there again and under the direction of our Librarian re-arranged the rooms.

Joyce Purtscher, guest speaker at the March meeting, gave members information and suggestions on preserving and indexing early Huon newspapers. On 8 April there was a work shop to sort out the newspapers into date order ready for indexing, if we get permission.

Memberships are being renewed and we are happy to have new members joining and using the library.

LAUNCESTON

President	Joe Stephens	(003) 44 5969
Secretary	Thelma Grunnell	(003) 31 2145
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Congratulations to the Journal Editor on the new bud of her family tree - a grand daughter.

The April meeting was instructed and entertained by Jenny Gill's shopping expedition with her great grandmother down the streets of Old Launceston. Members brought items of ancestral wearing apparel to display and it was intriguing to note the smallness of the waists of the petticoat and drawers. Lena Kimpton showed a beautifully made baby's bonnet (worn by herself in infancy). The oldest garment, dated 1889, was Phil Ranson's great grandmother's nightgown, highlighted with fine feather stitching.

Sincere thanks to the retiring members of the branch Executive Committee several of whom have given valuable service over many years. We trust that the newly elected committee will receive the active support of branch members in their endeavours. The following members were elected to the branch executive committee at the annual general meeting:

President	Mr Joe Stephens	(003) 44 5969
Vice President	Miss Jenny Gill	(003) 31 1150
Corres. Secretary	Mrs Thelma Grunnell	(003) 31 2145
Minute Secretary	Mrs Judith Whish Wilson	(003) 31 6017
Mem. Secretary	Ms Helen Stuart	(003) 31 9175
Treasurer	Mr John Grunnell	(003) 31 2145
Librarian	Mrs Alma Ranson	(003) 94 4404
Assis. Librarian	Mrs Dian Smith	(003) 97 3330
Publications	Mrs Anne Bartlett	(003) 44 5258
TAMIOT	Mrs Betty Calverley	(003) 44 5608
Research Committee	Mr Allan Leighton	(003) 26 2318
	Mr Barry Robinson	(003) 28 1349
Branch Delegates	Mrs Pat Harris	(003) 44 3951
	Mrs Betty Calverley	(003) 44 5608
Alternate	Mr Joe Stephens	(003) 44 5969

Instead of Bill and Ben, the flower pot men the branch has Joe and John , the bargain men! At a recent auction they did sterling work in obtaining microfiche readers, file trolley and an eight drawer filing cabinet for a proverbial song. Not sure who sang tenor or baritone but our librarian was delighted with the result.

Following an introductory class for beginners in family history research the branch is to conduct a series of monthly workshops on basic subjects. For dates and subjects watch the Northern Diary & Around Town and/or ring Thelma Grunnell on 31 2145 to enquire and book a place.

Thank you to Anita Swan and Pearl Cooper who have volunteered for library duty and will receive training in due course, also to Jo Keen who will be taking over branch publicity at the end of June. The Executive would appreciate other offers of help for small jobs which need attention.

The Launceston Branch Library will be closed on Wednesdays nights during the winter months until Wednesday, 21 August 1996.

Programme

6 August	Aileen Pike (English Research - Subject to be advised)
September	Helen Stuart - Irish night
September 23 or 24	Visit of Gwen Kingsley from England (topic and date to be advised in next issue)
October	No meeting in lieu of visit of Gwen Kingsley

THE NORTH-WEST POST (1887-1916)

An Index for Family Historians

Volume 2 1901-1905 - \$20

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LIBRARY NOTES

St. Catherine's House Index Roster

	19/2/1996	20/5/1996	19/8/1996	18/11/1996	- /2/1998
	17/5/1996	16/8/1996	15/11/1996	- /2/1997	- /5/1998
1868-1878	Burnie	Launceston	Huon	Hobart	Devonport
1879-1889	Devonport	Burnie	Launceston	Huon	Hobart
1890-1900	Hobart	Devonport	Burnie	Launceston	Huon
1901-1911	Huon	Hobart	Devonport	Burnie	Launceston
1912-1922	Launceston	Huon	Hobart	Devonport	Burnie

BURNIE

Accessions January-March 1996 - Microfiche

Tas Gazetteer & Road guide
Argus Shipping Movements Index 1861-1865
BIG R (British Isles Genealogical Register)

Accessions January-March 1996 - Books

Father John Murphy's "Saddlebag" records
Sail of the Shannon
Phillimore Atlas and Index
My Ancestors Were Jewish
* Genealogical Research Directory 1994
* Kith & Kin
* Knopwood, A Biography, Geoffrey Stephens
* Scotland Civil Parish Map Index
* Ghost Stories of Richmond
* Gossip & Facts about Richmond
* 1992 Year Book of Australia
* Church Registers in Archives office of Tasmania, 1995 update
* The Roberts Thomson Family Chronicle
* The Greys of Circular Head, John Davies
* Genealogy on the Internet
* University of Tas Dept of History Historical Manuscripts of Tas
* Launceston Pictorial History
* The Descendants of Thomas Moran and Johanna Leary
* Map 1995 Federal Electoral Boundaries
* Kent FHS journal March 1996 and December 1995
Largs & North Ayr FHS
* Indicated items loaned or donated

DEVONPORT

Accessions January - March 1996 - Microfiche

BIG R (British Isles Genealogical Register)

Queensland - Transmission of Real Estate by Death, Vol. 3, 1900-1904

Accessions January - March 1996 - Books and Binders

An Index to The Advocate, Tasmania, Personal Announcements 1990-1994, Deaths, In Memoriams

1851 Cornwall Census Surname Index Series - Union Registration Districts for:

Vol. 10 Truro Vols 12 and 13 St Columb

Vol. 17 Truro Vols 24 and 25 Penzance , Vol. 34 Redruth

* Descendants of William & Margaret Brown 1809-1993, Roy A. Peck

* Genealogy and Heraldry in the National Library of Australia

General Register Office - Part 1, List of Registration Offices

Index to Tasmanian Deaths/Burials 1797-1840, A.M. Buchanan

Tracing Your Scottish Ancestors

Binder - The Advocate Personal Notices 1995

The Kentish Times/The Kentish Chronicle 6 copies (various dates)

* Indicated items loaned or donated

HOBART

Accessions January - March 1996 - Microfiche

1851 Census

4 Districts of Argyle West Scotland

Orkneys

1881 Census

Cheshire

Kent

Norfolk

Staffordshire

Yorkshire

Accessions January-March 1996 - Books

The Trinity House Petitions

Registration Districts of England and Wales 1837-1852 & 1852-1946

The History of Hamer

Indexes in Australian Libraries

Two Villages, Morteheo and Woolscombe

An Index to The Advocate, Tasmania, Personal Announcements 1990-1994, Deaths, In Memoriams

From Rosketon to Brianville & Beyond

Circumstance and Opportunity

Victorian Sources for British Ancestry

Guilty or Not Guilty 1846-50, Vol. 2.

Visile Immigrants, Vols 2, 3 and 4

Two Ladies of Direlton
Tasmanian Photographers 1840-1940
Cockerill, Courage to the Last

LAUNCESTON

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- Queensland Index to K.M. Smith Undertaker records Brisbane
 Queensland War and other Memorials Vol 1 & 2
- South Australia West Terrace Adelaide Burial Register 1921-1940
 West Terrace Monumental Inscriptions
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YORK TOWN - PAST AND PRESENT

Margaret MacKenzie

The settlement site of old York Town, on West Arm, Northern Tasmania, is once again a desirable place to live. New houses have been built, a landscaping business is established and a lovely Bed and Breakfast accommodation house opened recently. The late former residents would be green with envy, particularly the ones who allegedly lived near the falls in a dirt dug-out with spars across the top to hold a roof of sorts.

It has been difficult to find much new information about York Town. A few tales, true or false, have been gathered by interested locals. The Grubb Shaft Museum at Beaconsfield has copies of several maps and newspapers, a few crockery shards, a pair of spectacles, (no glass) three bricks and the *piece de resistance*, a six foot length of iron post supposed to be from Lieutenant Colonel Paterson's garden. It is such an improbable looking object to take to the ends of the earth it might be a genuine relic. The most detailed account of the early settlement is in L.S. Bethell's *The Story of Port Dalrymple*, and James Fenton's *Bush Life in Tasmania* mentions Harry Barrett of York Town.

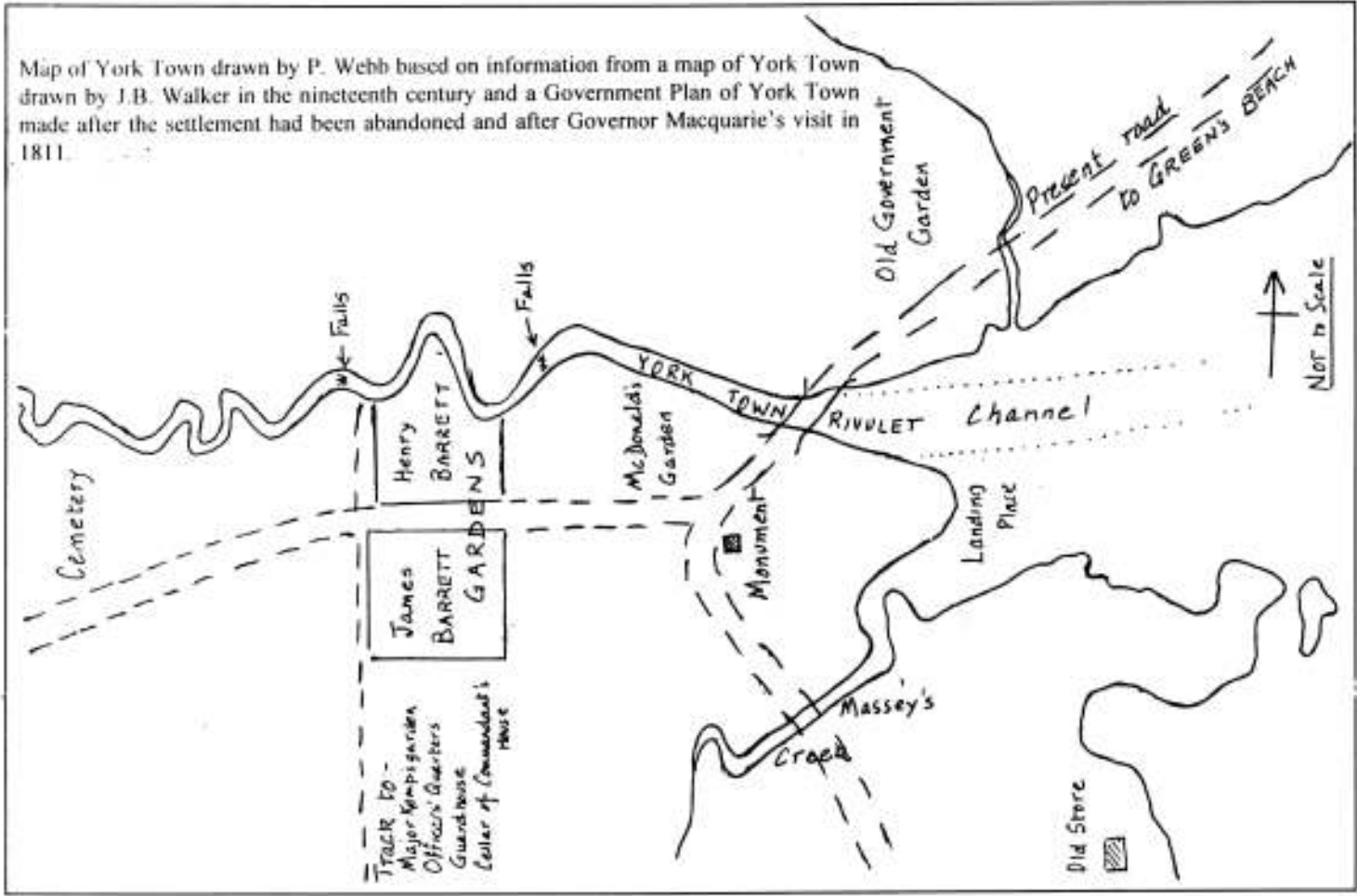
Paterson was full of confidence in 1804 when he arrived with approximately 180 people. Huts were built, gardens established and specimens of seeds, plants etc. were sent home to England. *The Sydney Gazette*, 13th January 1805, reported that a yam was discovered in the area, the three feet to six feet herbaceous tree was like an Elder (tree) with the root two feet in the ground. The same process used in making starch from potatoes produced a fine white flour. The bread from the flour was of a "bad" quality. (Top marks to them for living dangerously!).

By 1806 Paterson had decided to move up the Tamar River to Ritching's Park, now Launceston. He left York Town and his house in the care of Henry (Harry) Barrett who is described as his gardener. Mr. Barrett died on 8th August 1870 at the great age of 101 years. His wife was supposed to have been burnt to death when aborigines fired her house or she was speared to death. In 1885, however, *The Daily Telegraph* reported that Mrs Barrett had died at George Town aged ninety-five years. The article goes into quite a lot of detail about York Town and the Barretts' time there.

Barrett's descendants or relatives lived at York Town within living memory. One owned pigs which scavenged on the beach for crabs when the tide was out - crab flavoured pork would be a different taste sensation for sure. After that Mr Barrett died his family had a good clean out and burnt the rubbish to the later regret of one elderly relative (now deceased). He told me about signed letters going up in smoke. We will never know if they were relics from the early settlement. Redcoats' (soldiers') uniforms were supposed to have been stolen from the same house some years before, plus a gold watch and chain presented to the first Mr Barrett by Lieutenant Colonel Paterson.

A copy of a map dated 1890-91 shows the settlement with named streets (Macquarie, Charles, Frederick, Aldridge, Kemp and Cimitiere) a burial ground and the names of the purchasers of the lots. To the north of the York Town Rivulet were blocks of various sizes owned by E. Ayton, W. MacDonald, R. Pott, D. Tippen, F. Green, W. Hoyle, E.F. Dease, J. Bird, J. Barrett and E.J. Dawes. South of the Rivulet the burial ground was located in a large area owned by J.S. Ritchie.

Map of York Town drawn by P. Webb based on information from a map of York Town drawn by J.B. Walker in the nineteenth century and a Government Plan of York Town made after the settlement had been abandoned and after Governor Macquarie's visit in 1811.



Some of the above owned land there as well as M. MacDonald, J. Ives, H. White, J. Bowater and E.A. Ritchie. It is interesting to note that one block is described as located to H. Barrett. The same area is shown on a hand drawn sketch of York Town (no date) as Barrett's hut and garden.

An H.J. King photograph (Queen Victoria Museum) taken in 1929 shows a very old house with a roof covered in ivy. A resident who grew up in the area knew it as "Ivy Cottage", the old MacDonald house. By the 1930s the chimney was the only part of it still standing. In June 1950 the Royal Society visited York Town and found a couple of supposedly original apple trees, the Hangman's Tree, a hole in the ground (Lieutenant Colonel Paterson's house cellar) and very little else.

By the time the West Tamar Historical Committee turned up in the late 1970s the area was covered in prickly gorse. Members found the cellar after much thrashing around, the Hangman's Tree was gone, allegedly cut down to make way for a power pole and the fruit trees were looking their age. An orchardist in the group took cuttings, grafted them and some time down the track reported that the resulting fruit was sour.

Some of the members very gingerly criss-crossed the old burial ground, quickly, but we could not find the tombstones belonging to Collins, Johnson, Boatwright and Carr (could be Tarr). A visitor had appeared on my doorstep one day and swore they were there. Mrs. Woodman was supposed to be the last person buried there. The Woodmans had a shop in Beaconsfield and a house at Kelso.

Present day visitors to York Town will find a pleasant picnic area and an electric BBQ close to an imposing stone monument. A brass relief map shows the location of dwellings etc. in the old settlement. The surrounding areas are now privately owned.

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Mr R. Bowen

The Wreck of the *Schomberg*

Correction: Paragraph 3 in "The Wreck of the *Schomberg*", (*Tasmanian Ancestry* Vol. 16 No. 4, March 1996) should read "list of immigrants from the *Schomberg* who came from Melbourne on the *Maid of the Yarra* to Launceston, arriving 31 December 1855. (It was printed "to Melbourne". I should have put "to Launceston" - it would have been clearer that it was just the *Schomberg* passengers bound for Tasmania who are on the list I gave.

Allison Carins.

HISTORIC PROPERTIES IN THE EVANDALE-CONARA AREA

Marion Dowsett

“Harland Rise”

This property is situated on the Dalness Road, twenty kilometres from Launceston. The present house and outbuildings were built for John Ward Gleadow, lawyer, of Launceston.

Gleadow, born in Yorkshire in 1801, was admitted to the bar on the completion of his studies in law and migrated to Van Diemen's Land in the ship *Andromeda*, arriving on 8 September 1825. On 4 November 1825, Gleadow was granted two thousand acres on the Break O'Day River and named "Frodsley". He was admitted to the Tasmanian Bar on 5 March 1826, practising law for a short time in Hobart. Gleadow married Diana Keaston in St David's Church, Hobart on 3 April 1826.

Moving to Launceston, Gleadow commenced legal practice in a cottage in St. John Street, next to the Jewish Synagogue. Building offices on the adjacent property, he took as his partner William Henty. Following Henty's retirement, the firm took in John Ward Gleadow's son Robert, later admitted to the bar in 1848. W. Ritchie and R.J. Parker joined the firm when it became necessary to find other partners for the practice due to the early death of Robert.

Gleadow bought the property now known as "Harland Rise" near Evandale, built a small house and then, in 1858 built the present elegant house and outbuildings.

"Harland Rise" (416 acres) and the neighbouring property "Vinegar Hill" (205 acres) were advertised for sale in November 1882. The property was described as *an eight-roomed brick house with a slate roof, brick barn, two six-stall stables, two loose boxes, tool house, blacksmith's shop, sheds, piggeries, etc.* As can be seen today, there was also an elegant brick chapel and school-room used for the education of children from nearby properties. The sale in 1882 to H.S. Smith raised eight thousand and eleven pounds.

Later owners include Herbert Dowling, the son of Edward and Ann Dowling, of "Trefusis", Ross, and married to Connie (née Cox) of "Clarendon", Nile. A later owner was Albert Stancombe, born in 1890, the second son of George Stancombe of "Glendessary", Evandale. Albert died in 1961, having previously lived at "Leighton", "Hawkridge" at Powranna and "Ballroom" at Deddington. The present owners are Mr and Mrs Tony Gardner who purchased the property in 1962. Mr Gardner is the son of Reginald Edward Gardner, who once lived at "Everton". The house has been magnificently restored and the property produces peas and wool. It is a delight to visit and a credit to the owners.

“Strathmore”

In 1822 Samuel Bryan, a graduate in the Arts from the University of Dublin was given by Under-Secretary Henry Goulburn an authorisation for land addressed to Lieutenant Governor Sorell. Samuel Bryan arrived in Hobart Town by the ship *Heroine* in September 1822, bringing with him

goods and cash to the value of £770. By 1830 Bryan had taken up a grant of two thousand acres and purchased an additional two thousand six hundred acres. William Bryan, on his brother's behalf, shipped two pairs of mill stones with flour and sweet machines? to the value of £180 by the ship *Lang*. The construction of the mill, the dam now on the adjacent property "Lochmaben", and the extensive mill race commencing in the grounds of St Peter's Church, Nile, added greatly to the value of the property. The lake is a beautiful feature of this prosperous and historic property. An interesting feature of the garden is a long heated wall, constructed of warm red bricks and enclosing wood-fired heating ducts for growing tender plants and fruit trees.

"Strathmore" was advertised for sale in *The Examiner* 11 July 1846 and described as *two thousand acres of the finest marsh land in cultivation and irrigated in the driest seasons by the Nile River. The dwelling house and offices are of the most substantial description fronted by a large sheet of water and ornamented with plantations, walled garden and green house etc., and in addition, there are the STRATHMORE MILLS, in excellent repair, supplied from the Nile and driving three pair of stones, having a miller's house, huts and convenient paddocks attached.*

The purchaser was apparently James Cox of "Clarendon" who left the property in his will to his second wife Eliza (née Boyes). "Strathmore" was later purchased by the Boyes family, one member being Jean Boyes, wife of the well known Australian painter, Tom Roberts. Roberts is buried at Christ Church, Illawarra near Longford. Later owners of "Strathmore" include C.T. Archer, who sold out in 1977 after three generations of occupancy, Mr and Mrs Robert Winspear and the present owners Sue and Graham Gillon. "Strathmore" is an outstanding property and a real joy to visit. Accommodation and functions are provided for by the Gillon family.

"Winburn" and "Fordon"

"Winburn" formed part of a large grant to James Cox of "Clarendon". According to the Land Commissioners report on 21 December 1827 *Mr. Cox fenced six hundred acres, fenced off and laid down large paddocks with artificial grasses.* "Winburn" was 2,720 acres.

Colour Sergeant James Whitehead was discharged from the Sydney Barracks, New South Wales, on 31 August 1830 and sailed to Van Diemen's Land on the ship *Resolution*, arriving in Launceston on 3 October 1830. James was granted 320 acres, six miles from Westbury and later purchased 200 acres adjoining his land.

At the age of seventeen, James' son John Whitehead, born 1821, was working at "Cleggin" in the Evandale district and five years later took up the lease of 1120 acres at the confluence of the Nile and South Esk Rivers. This was part of the "Winburn" property owned by James Cox. John Whitehead spent the rest of his life here working as a successful farmer. In 1860 John Whitehead and his wife Agnes (née Hogg) visited England and in 1864 commenced building a Gothic-style homestead and stables, above the South Esk. "Cleggin" is now part of the "Fordon" property.

In 1823 Dr. Donald Cameron was granted 1000 acres on the Nile River, later adding to his property the land granted to Alexander McLeod. On 16 May 1875, John Whitehead recorded the sale of John Youl's property "Kelvin Grove" to Donald Cameron. The property, of 2,765 acres sold for £3 2s. per acre. (*The Whitehead Letters*, p.84) Apparently John Whitehead found many points of disagreement with his neighbour, Donald Cameron. On 6 September 1876 he wrote to Cameron asking him to *be good enough to use the water you take out of the Nile for irrigating your own land? I found it running onto my land yesterday in many places, it ought not to have*

done... I respectfully suggest that it will prevent a considerable amount of annoyance and trouble to you and myself if you will confine your use of water strictly to the legal power you have to do so in the deed given by the late James Cox to yourself. (Whitehead, p.108)

K.R. Von Stieglitz tells of an agreement signed on 26 June 1855 between James Cox of "Clarendon" and Donald Cameron, the younger, of "Fordon", which allocated the water of the Nile in this way: *one third to the mill at Strathmore, one third to Cox at Clarendon and one third to Cameron at Fordon.* (p.92) I have recently discovered that my paternal great-grandfather was found dead, in 1888, in a house at "Winburn".

"Patterdale" and Deddington Chapel

As you travel south along the Nile Road from Evandale, almost opposite the entrance to the grand house of "Clarendon", you come to the Deddington Road which goes in an easterly direction. Just a little further south are "Strathmore", "Winburn" and "Fordon".

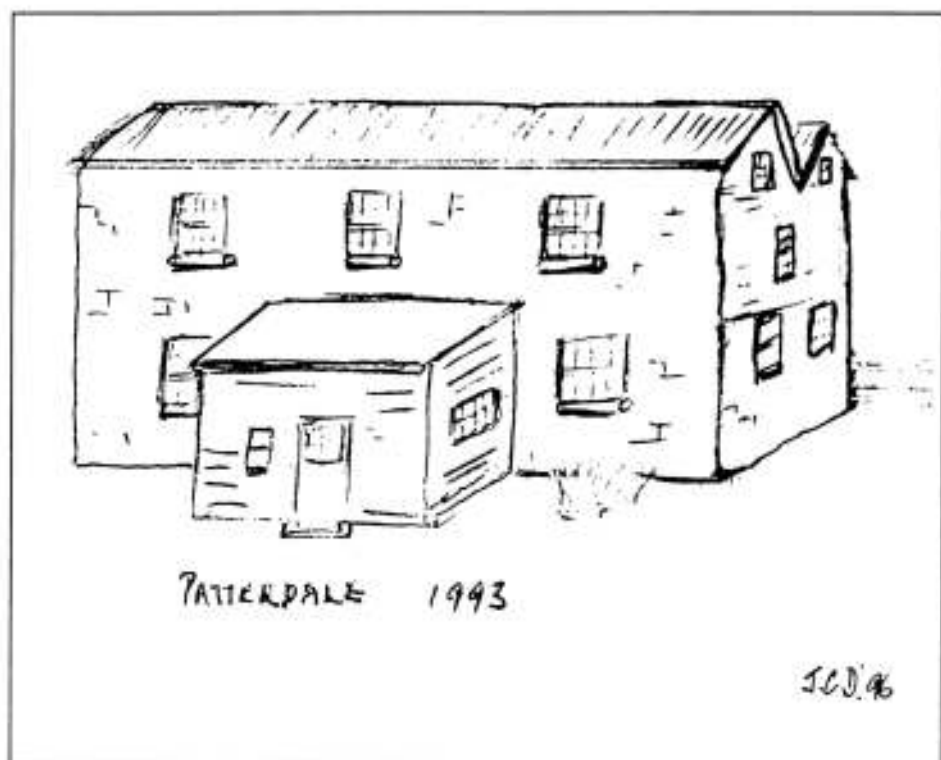
The historic inn at Deddington was destroyed by fire in the 1970s, the old wooden gaol has collapsed to the ground within the past five years, but the small simply-designed chapel still stands on its hill overlooking the valley. The chapel, opened for worship in November 1842, was built on land donated by Robert Pitcairn of "Nile Farm". John Glover, farmer, and Rev. Robert Russell, Presbyterian minister at Evandale, planned the building of the chapel. Neighbouring land-owners helped towards the building and signed the deed of gift as trustees. Names included John Glover of "Patterdale", Matthew Ralston, "Hampden", Henry Hopkins, owner of "Burnside" (now "Fordon"), Henry Tweed Pyke, "Marathon", James Hamilton, "Lillyburn" and John Williatt, "Elkington". Witnesses were John Bass, shepherd-overseer for the first six signatories, and Christopher Taylor, manager for Williatt.

Robert and Dorothea Jessie Pitcairn, the donors of the land, expressed their wish for the land and burial ground to be used solely by Protestants, but primarily for Presbyterians of Robert Russell's Evandale congregation. Services were held for over fifty years by ministers of the Church of Scotland and the Church of England but were gradually discontinued. The National Trust has overseen the restoration of the Chapel and property in recent years and management is under the care of a Board of Trustees today. Local resident Mr Terry Talbot is a very enthusiastic and knowledgeable trustee, eager to share his historical information with visitors. Unfortunately the present owners of "Nile Farm" have decided to subdivide surrounding land, so the Chapel will soon be sitting on a small piece of land.

The most famous property in the area is "Patterdale", built by the artist John Glover on seven thousand acres of land, the estate acquired by Glover, increasing his grant in 1831 of 2,560 acres near Ben Lomond. John Glover had arrived in Van Diemen's Land with his wife Sarah and son John in 1831, following the emigration in 1829 of his sons William, James and Henry. Much has been written about John Glover's paintings, each of which is highly prized today. A note in the London exhibition of Glover's paintings states in part: *... there is a remarkable peculiarity in the trees in this country; however numerous, they rarely prevent your tracing through them the whole distant country.* (Excerpt from *Fifteen Decades of Australian Paintings*)

"Patterdale" was built as a strong substantial two-storey house, with walls two feet thick. The rooms are spacious and airy, the staircase and attic unusual, and the angle of doors to door-frames

an amazing feature. Fireplace surrounds are also timber and of unique design. Henry Button, author of *Flotsam and Jetsam*, married Emma, a Glover descendant. Button revisited "Patterdale" in March 1900, after an interval of eighteen years. He and his family were *much saddened at the desolation that everywhere prevailed* (Button, p378). He found that much of the stonework of the upper story had collapsed, due to movement of the earth, and had been replaced by timber. In addition one end wall of the lower storey had bulged out to a *dangerous extent*, floors, ceilings and walls had been damaged by neglect and water.



At the time of Button's visit the house had long been abandoned, except by some rats, while the best-preserved room (the driest) contained fifty or so bushels of wheat, emptied out onto the floor. It is small wonder there were resident rats. Button describes the doors, window sashes and architraves as all constructed of cedar and the stairs of blackwood. All outbuildings were falling into disrepair.

It is a great pleasure to be able to report that in 1995 the owner had renovated and made waterproof the house. The wooden section of the upper floor and the buttresses mentioned by Henry Button are clearly seen. Windows, doors and fireplaces show signs of age, but the whole house is a remarkable tribute to the builder and owner of the early days. There are some unsympathetic additions, such as a carport and steel outbuildings, indicating that the property is a working farm, not a historic monument. With a lot of loving care and some expense, the house could be restored to its original condition. The views of the surrounding countryside are

delightful, the fields and hills just as John Glover painted them. His most famous painting "My Harvest Home" is an enhanced vision of the working farm of Glover's time.

"Patterdale" was sold on 29 July 1994 having been advertised as ten thousand acres on numerous titles. John Glover died on 9 December 1849, aged 82, and his wife Sarah died at Patterdale in 1853.

"Kingston"

John and Henry Batman arrived in Van Diemen's Land in December 1821, when John was twenty years old, and went into farming near Ben Lomond. In 1824 John was granted 600 acres, a small beginning for the great estate of 6,000 acres by 1835. Batman was interested in the idea of a settlement across Bass Strait, a project which he discussed with the surveyor John Helder Wedge, owner of "Leighlands", Perth. About 1827 Batman built a two-roomed stone cottage near Ben Lomond, following this with the construction of a substantial red brick house with stone foundations and cellar about 1830.

This extensive property "Kingston" was sold to Edmund Bryant in 1836 for ten thousand pounds. By this time Batman, having assisted the government with the round up of the aboriginal population, was a powerful and wealthy man, and had gone across Bass Strait, founding the settlement on Port Phillip Bay which became Melbourne. The house was built at the meeting of the roads from Evandale and Launceston, thence south to Avoca (Hanleth Road), eastward to Rossarden, and north-east to "Uplands" and "Patterdale". It is evident when driving from Evandale to York Park on the present Nile Road, that this line of road was surveyed straight and true to meet the Conara Road at a much later date. Some maps show clearly the direction of the first trails, along the rivers and over the hills.

In 1843 there were two policemen stationed at "Kingston", where the remains of the brick and stone police post can be seen today. A third policeman was later added to the force, indicating a busy cross-roads during the period. The post office later occupied the small building next to the stone cottage, at first called "Kingston Corners". The owner in 1858 of 2,141 acres at "Kingston" was Roderic O'Connor of Avoca, also the occupier of 1,000 acres of Crown land at "Kingston". The grandfather of the present owner, Mr. R.A.C. Cameron bought "Kingston" in 1908, and the cottage was faithfully restored by the present owner in 1955 with the expert skills of Italian stonemasons. The latest house, attached to the stone cottage, is a large weatherboard structure, apparently built by the Archer family, destroyed by fire and rebuilt between 1900 and 1912. The wooden house is the residence of the property manager. It is an exciting experience to visit the three homesteads, built over 170 years and in various stages of repair.

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LOWER COURT RECORDS

Dian Smith

When I first started researching my family tree approximately ten years ago, I ended up with a collection of names, dates and places. As my parents had moved to Queensland when I was four years old, I did not have the opportunity to know any of these people or to hear any of the family stories they may have told.

Wanting to put some "flesh on the bones" of my ancestors and possessing an inquisitive mind, I started to explore the shelves of the Archives Office of Tasmania in Hobart and came across a set of records entitled "Lower Court" in the Yellow Books (TA Series).

The first set of records I requested from the Archives staff was the Huon Lower Court (LC 282/), followed by Campbell Town (LC83/), Outlands (LC 390/) and Zeehan (LC 557/) and as I read through them I found that a wealth of information about the life and times of the ordinary people of the district was being unfolded before my eyes. The type of information that I found in these records is as follows:

Monday, 9th April 1900, before The Warden and Andrew Morrison, Esq., J.P., John Lockwood charged with having driven a vehicle along High Street, Outlands after sunset and before sunrise without having any lights, the night not being a clear moonlight night, John was found guilty, fined 5/- and costs 8/6. (LC 390/10).

Tuesday, 26th June 1900, before A.F. Archer and Philip Fleming, Esqs, J.P., Michael Smith charged with neglecting to send his child Clarence Smith to school from Monday to Friday. Michael was found guilty, fined 1/- and costs 10/-. (LC390/10). (On some of these school entries I found that the child's age was also given).

Friday, 23rd October 1874, before The Stipendiary Magistrate and J.W. Kellaway, Esq., Patrick Brennan charged with keeping a dog within the Police District of Franklin upwards of 14 days having elapsed without registering same. Patrick was found guilty, fined 5/- and costs 7/6. (LC 282/1).

Monday, 8th April 1889, before the Warden and F. Hart, Esq., Thomas Jones charged with having unlawfully neglected to have his child Alice Flora Grace vaccinated. Thomas was found guilty and fined 1/-. Costs remitted. (LC83/14). (On some of these entries I found that not only were the children named but their birth dates were given).

12th April 1893 before E.H. Fowell, S.M., John Joseph Mulcahy charged with having an unlicensed Billiard Table. John was found guilty, fined 20/- and costs 8/6. (LC557/1).

Monday, 1st November 1869, before The Stipendiary Magistrate and J.W. Kellaway, Esq. Patrick Brennan - Free by Servitude. Ship *Lord Auckland*. Age 40, charged with being Drunk and Disturbing the Peace in a Public place at Upper Huon. Patrick was found guilty and fined 2/6. (LC282/1). (I found that in these earlier entries the status of the person was often noted, free or otherwise, the ship they came on, whether native born and their age. Patrick was sent out as a convict in 1853).

Monday, 12th October 1885 before the Stipendiary Magistrate, Charles Brennan, ship - *Lord Auckland*, Free by Servitude, charged with being Drunk & Incapable on a Public Road at Franklin. Charles was found guilty and fined 5/- (LC282/1). (Charles was also sent out as a convict in 1853 and this was still being noted on his charge sheet thirty-two years later).

I also found many other interesting bits and pieces in these records with references made to the following:-

- Billiard table licences
- Hotel licences
- Licence to sell liquor at night
- Licence to sell liquor at sporting matches
- Straying animals
- Non payment of road tax and rates
- Slaughtering licences
- Breach of the *Californian Thistle Act*
- Breach of the *Codling Moth Act*
- Smoking in the auditorium of the Town Hall Campbell Town
- Non payment of tuition fees for children attending Franklin State School
- Licences for stage coach drivers
- Indecent language
- Seamen absent without leave
- Larceny
- Discharging firearms
- Trespassing on private property
- Assaults
- Non payment of hospital fees
- Maintenance orders

As you can see from some of the examples above, your ancestors could be mentioned in these records even if they did not have a criminal past.

A lady I know found the ship her great great grandmother came on, a mystery that had remained unsolved for fifteen years, so you too may find that elusive ancestor just waiting to be discovered amongst the dusty pages of these fascinating books. Happy hunting.

THE SAD FATE OF SOME CYPRESS STREET HEADSTONES

Betty Calverley, Jenny Gill and Barbara Valentine.

On a pleasantly warm Saturday morning 9 December 1995 an enthusiastic group of eight Genealogical Society members led by TAMIOT Co-ordinator Betty Calverley delved among a pile of broken pieces of headstones which had come from the old Cypress Street Cemetery, Launceston. They were heaped up on each side of a narrow concrete path beside a house which forms part of Launceston Church Grammar School's junior school Broadland campus in Lyttleton Street, having come from the kerbing outside the school when the footpath was reconstructed. More pieces are still embedded in a retaining wall in the school grounds.

The Headmaster, Mr Peter Welch had sought advice from the School Archivist and Genealogical Society member Jenny Gill about the stones, and we are most grateful to him for giving us permission to examine them.

To re-assemble the pieces was like tackling a giant jigsaw puzzle. Some fragments bore no traces of an inscription, some had unhelpful words like "in memory", but a few names, dates and useful words had survived the brutal assault, and several pieces actually fitted together.

One of the chief purposes in writing this article is to show the amazing amount Betty, with assistance from Alex Buchanan who was in Launceston that morning, was able to discover from these scraps of information, using the *Cypress Street Launceston Cemetery 1851-1926* compilation held in the Launceston GST Library, and the *Tasmanian Pioneers Index* (TPI) on CD-ROM to fill in missing information. Twenty two people were identified, but one could not be found in the records.

The following people have been identified from the broken headstones:

BRANSGROVE, Thomas, died 22 September 1851, 55 years. Legible as --omas Br-- Died Sep. Aged 55. Completed from TPI.

FLETCHER, Agnes Mary Ann, died --18-- Legible as --nes Dau of Sarah Fletcher 18-- Born 30 July 1842 in TPI. No death recorded.

FORD, Susannah, died 1 June 1879, 82 years, spouse William (dec). TPI died 1 November 1879. In Cypress Street records as Susan. Age taken from this source.

GAUNT, William, died 20 February 1841, Infant. Legible as Ga-- William 20--1841 Br William?. Completed from TPI. Two pieces of headstone.

HOBKIRK, Fanny (Frances Helen), died 31 March 1858, 18 years. Parents: John Peter and Frances Mary Hobkirk (4 Daughters). Frances Helen in Cypress Street records. Five pieces of headstone.

HOBKIRK, Frances Mary, died 28 May 1883, 75 years. Spouse: John Peter, Children: Fanny, Horace Wakeman and four others not named. In Cypress Street records. Five pieces of headstone.

- HOBKIRK**, John Peter, died 24 August 1882, 82 years. Spouse: Frances Mary, Children: Fanny, Horace Wakeman and four others not named. In Cypress Street records. Five pieces of headstone.
- HOBKIRK**, Horace Wakeman, died 16 March 1876, 22 years. Parents: John Peter and Frances Mary Hobkirk. Year calculated from age and birth in TPI. Five pieces of headstone.
- JOHNSON**, Martha, died 21 June 1856, 22 years. Legible as Martha who died Jun aged 22 yrs. Completed from TPI and Cypress Street records.
- MILBOURNE**, William? No record of death or burial. Legible as Sacred to the Me-- of Wi-- Milbourne.
- MURCHIE**, Andrew, died 4 August 1886, 25 years. Legible as Andrew died August aged 25. Completed from TPI and Cypress Street records.
- PROSSER**, Constantine Miles, born 11 April 1876, died 3 November 1876. Legible as --ntine Miles, dates as given. Myles in Cypress Street records. Four pieces of headstone.
- PROSSER**, John Charles, died 8 October 1859, 2 years. Names only. Dates from Cypress Street records. Four pieces of headstone.
- PROSSER**, Walter L. (Lewis), born June 1853, died 17 August 1854. Day from Cypress Street records. Four pieces of headstone.
- PROSSER**, Sarah, born 10 Ju? 1856, died 24 January 1857. In Cypress Street records. Four pieces of headstone.
- SIGGINS**, Thomas, died 7 May 1887, Adult. Legible as -thomas Siggin. Completed from Cypress Street records.
- STORY**, Mary Anne, died 14 January 1853, 34 years. Legible as names and 4 Jan 1853 aged 4 years. Completed from TPI. Two pieces of headstone.
- STORY**, William, born 5 September 1836, died 22 September 1836. Legible as William born 5 Sep 183- died 22nd--18--. Parents: Samuel Thomas and Mary Ann. Completed from TPI. Two pieces of headstone.
- WALTERS**, William Henry, born 15 August 1874, 16 years. Legible as ---m Henry eldest son of --abeth Walters died --ust 1874, Surname Waters. Completed from TPI.
- WOODE**, Gurney, died 19 January 1841, 18 years. Legible as 19 Jan Aged 18 y--. Completed from TPI. Only record that matched date and age.

The preceding information for these people is all that is available on TAMIOT.

The sad fate of these headstones forms a footnote to the history of the Church of England Burial Ground which began in February 1823 when the Rev. Samuel Marsden, Principal Chaplain of the Colonies, consecrated the land for what was to become known later as the Cypress Street Cemetery. On the same visit to Van Diemen's Land he also consecrated St. David's Church and St. David's burial ground, Hobart Town, the land on which St John's Church, Launceston was to be built, and sites for burial places at Sorell Town and New Norfolk.¹

Burials in the Parish of St John's Launceston, held on microfilm in the Launceston Library, starts at page 1 in 1826, beginning with number 1.² The first burial took place on 3 January 1826 when the Rev. John Youl officiated at the burial of a prisoner. (On the same microfilm there are burial records from 11 December 1819 to 28 December 1825, numbered from 1 to 160, these are

probably for interments at the cemetery on Windmill hill, at the intersection of what are now York and High Streets; it also includes those burials which took place at George Town.)³ Rev. Youl was buried in the new cemetery the following year: he is recorded as no. 74, 31 March 1827. He had died on 25 March⁴, and it should be noted that the dates in the interments books and on the index cards, which will be referred to later, are the dates of burial. Rev. Youl's grave was *at the far end of the cemetery, near the big pine trees*; it is thus described by Karl Von Stieglitz in his typescript *The Old Church of England Burial Ground in Launceston*.⁵

A sketch by Emma Von Stieglitz dated 10 February 1860⁷ which includes the cemetery shows only a few headstones, some of them even then askew, but there must have been many more by this time.⁶

The First *Walsh's Almanack* in 1863 says that the cemetery, which it called the Episcopalian Burial Ground, situated on Elphin Road (actually it was some little distance from the road) *has been very tastefully laid out, the net proceeds of fees, etc., being expended in improving the grounds*. The road from Elphin Road to the cemetery was first called Goderich Street, the name being changed to Cypress Street about 1890 to avoid confusion with a street of the same name in Invermay.⁷ The sexton's house was adjacent to the cemetery.⁸

The cemetery was closed in 1906 after the general cemetery for Launceston at Carr Villa was opened in 1905.⁹ However burials took place there for many years afterwards. The last date in the interment books on microfilm which appears to be for an actual burial is 1929, in a family enclosure, although there are two more entries after this date, one in 1937 and one in 1942, but no record is given for their location in the cemetery, the final one being for "ashes".

The cemetery became neglected. In 1950 members of the Northern Branch of the Royal Society of Tasmania inspected the weed-covered graves, and it was at this time that Mr Von Steiglitz compiled the notes which are mentioned above. Early in 1959 a letter to the Editor in *The Examiner* bemoaned the sorry state of the cemetery, where a number of headstones had been thrown together in an untidy heap.¹⁰

After some years of negotiations, in 1961 the former burial ground became the property of the Broadland House Church of England Girls' Grammar School and was converted into a sports ground called Broadland Park.¹¹ A former pupil can remember about half a dozen headstones still standing by a fence on the sports ground in the early 1960s.¹² Broadland House amalgamated with Launceston Church Grammar School in 1982.¹³

The headstones became dispersed, with only a very small number being removed to Carr Villa Memorial Park, where most old headstones are located together in section D2. Betty was told that the Launceston City Council offered the stones to relations to be reused, and that her neighbour's ancestors' stone was reused for her grandparents' grave. She had to pay for the stone, have the stonemason remove the inscription and replace it with the new one. The original inscription, which was not recorded, was for FAULKNER, now it is for DADSON. There are old stones in family plots besides section D2 which have obviously been moved from one of the old cemeteries, and some people have been re-interred.

Betty would be most grateful to be given the opportunity to copy any photographs of Cypress Street headstones which family members may possess so that the inscriptions can be added to TAMIOT records.

The Community History Museum holds a set of index cards to the interment books from 1851 to 1926, and photocopies of these cards are held in the Local Studies Library in the Launceston Library. The latter set was used to compile the listing Cypress Street Launceston Cemetery 185101926 kept in the Launceston GST Library. Carr Villa Memorial Park copied the set held by the Community History Museum. Burials from 1826-1850 have not been indexed.

Despite a number of enquiries it has not been possible to confirm who compiled the index. It seems likely, however, that it was Miss Mary Whitfield who wrote the bulk of the cards because of the similarity of the handwriting on the cards to those in the Whitfield Index which she gave to the Northern Branch of the Royal Society of Tasmania in 1950 in memory of her father Ernest, and which is now housed in the Local Studies Library.¹⁴

Attitudes have changed since the 1950s and hopefully this sad story of neglect, indifference and callous treatment of a tangible part of our history and heritage would not occur today.

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Endnote

The following is a brief instruction to assist members who are not familiar with using the *Tasmanian Pioneers Index* on CD-ROM. At the beginning of the programme there is a menu to select Births, Deaths or Marriages. Use the F3 key to search, one at a time, surname, given names, age, father, mother, registration place, event year and registration year. Or use the F4 key for different spellings, or locations or years etc. Type several letters and follow with a question mark, this will bring up to 200 to select from; select those you wish to view by pressing the F9 key.

To make your selection to view together press the F5 key and type in the numbers on the left of the 'fields' you wish to combine. Use the "arrow" keys to navigate, home key to beginning of a file, end to the last record. By pressing the Alt key and P together prints the record. A set can be saved to disk. To exit to the main menu press the F10 key; to exit the programme press F10 again.

It is not necessary to know the surname. For instance we found --m Henry eldest son of --abeth Walters --ust 1874. On searching for the birth of Henry, mother Elizabeth Walters, he was found registered as William Henry. He was not registered in the burial records for Cypress Street Cemetery or the Tasmanian Pioneer Index under Walters, but as Waters, aged sixteen years. Searching on William, Launceston and 1874 was enough to find him. We need to remember that there were many different accents and that a number of people could not spell their name.

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WRITING AN AWARD-WINNING FAMILY HISTORY

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My credentials for this job are a bit mixed. On the one hand, my only direct involvement in writing a family history was to contribute a foreword to my cousin Terry's short history of the Cahalan clan. On the other hand, I've served on all but three of the judging panels for the South Australian Family History of the Year Awards, since the Genealogy and Heraldry Society established them in 1980. As a result I think I must have read - or, on occasions, skimmed - over 170 family histories, and had to argue the toss with other judges as to which ones should get the prizes each year.

... so to business!

What I look for in a Good History

A succinct introduction

Get straight into your family's history. Don't wander over lots of unrelated ground - for example, millennia of Wendish/Cornish/Scottish history or the stories of kings and queens.

Focus on the background information strictly necessary to your task - eg. the area the family came from and conditions at the time which spurred their emigration.

Where the information came from

Footnotes are crucial. They allow others to check your accuracy or use the same source. Where to put footnotes?

At the bottom of each page - best

At the end of each chapter - fine

At the end of the book - good, but awkward for the reader.

Incidentally, footnotes also allow you to include some of those interesting tidbits which otherwise might clog your main text. Most of us have had the experience of having two interesting pieces of information which, regrettably, cannot both be used without confusing our storyline. Put the less important in a chatty footnote.

Variety of photographs (dated and footnoted)

Get beyond lots of studio portraits and pictures of homes. Scenes of lively activity lift a book.

Dates are crucial. If you know the date - say so. If you can guess - say "probably mid-1920s" - if not, "undated". Dates help the readers to place themselves accurately in the sequence of the story.

Finally, tell where the photo came from. This can be simple: put the name of the owner in brackets.

Good examples of how to do this are:

Rex Hosking, *From Cornwall to the Outback* (Adelaide 1987)

Ian Hutchinson, *Hutchinson Family* (Adelaide 1989)

The family is allowed to speak for itself

The best author is often a fine editor! Let those who know the person reminisce about them in their own words. There's one very useful trick here. Make sure you and your editorial committee set out a standard format which you want all contributors to follow as much as possible. You might ask everyone to focus on favourite sayings of their grandparents or to give a brief description of their temperament, community involvement and pastimes. Once you've set up a standard approach, most contributors will come in roughly following it and as a result there will be a reasonable uniformity between the parts of the book.

Setting word limits is also important. There's nothing more lethal politically than having a book in which some sections of the family are covered at great length while others are passed over crisply!

Include - even at length - extracts from fascinating family sources, eg. letters and diaries. These can be very useful to other researchers - and they make great reading.

Easy-to-decode family trees, close to the text

Make sure the reader can work out swiftly which generation of the family is which. Consistently record dates of births, deaths and marriages.

Maps which explain geography

Help the reader to plot the family's movements. Maps can be large - a region - or quite local, showing family holdings in one small area. PS Don't use RAA and similar road maps. They're too detailed and reproduce badly. Get someone to do a very simple map of the particular region and include on it only the places relevant to your family.

References to good recent histories which provide a context

Anything written before 1950 is likely to be horse-and-buggy history. You wouldn't use an ice-chest if you had a refrigerator. So why people rely so often on chronicles of South Australia written in the last century I still cannot fathom. You should be able to refer in your bibliography to at least five or six general and local histories published in the last decade. Make sure your history is up-to-date!

Reading general histories will reveal insights into your family; a bankruptcy in 1886 might turn out to be typical of that time rather than a case of your great-grandfather's fecklessness!

All South Australian family and local historians should read Michael Williams, *The Making of the South Australian Landscape*, Academic Press, (London 1974). Unfortunately, it's out of print, but get hold of it via your local library.

Simple and conversational style

Too many authors use a formal diction which is obviously not natural to them.

The model of family history as a good yarn is *Devonshire Dumpling Down Under* by Valerie Howe and Judith Smith (Adelaide 1985). You feel as if the authors are sitting down over a cup of tea talking - with great humour and compassion about their family.

An honest tale

Well, as honest as family politics will allow. (Letting other members contribute stories often eases the pressure on the author/editor).

A concluding chapter

Too many books end with a bump at the last person on the list. Write a brief ending, summarising what you think are the distinctive features of the family and its history. Not all the families are the same.

Here is a good example of one author having a go at summing up:

The family religion was strictly Church of England, when they arrived in South Australia. Marriage ties have caused many to deviate from this faith. We have a few agnostics, but it is fair to say that, in common with most people whose roots are firmly embedded in the soil, there is a firm belief, by most members of the family, in a supreme being. The majority are good grass roots people with a direct and practical outlook on life. We have tended to select similar types as partners and these marriages, in the main, have been successful.

That was from Frank Cleggett's *From Kent to South Australia* (Adelaide 1985).

Indexes including personal and place names

This helps the reader make cross-references (eg. Which members spent time in the Destitute Asylum?). The index will help.

Appendices used as homes for additional information

I did say above that long extracts from interesting family sources should be quoted at length. But the best place for these might often be in an appendix at the back rather than in the main part of the book. The simple rule of thumb is: don't slow down your main narrative. An appendix is like

an extended footnote. It's a place to put additional interesting material or give complicated explanations - or to include those dreaded wills. Many families include useful statistical material in an appendix. One book listed all the many land transactions undertaken by one patriarch: an extremely interesting piece of social and economic historical source material for scholars.

Some Traps To Avoid

Sloppy "colour"

Don't dress up your story with irrelevant "colour". Standard offenders are pictures of "Port Misery" - for families which

(a) might have arrived at Port Adelaide after Port Misery proper had ceased being used

or

(b) never lived in Port Adelaide.

Another offender - a ship's weekly diet pinched from a German family history and used for English ships. It's OK to include what you think was something like the diet your ancestors might have eaten on the trip out, based on what other family historians have found out about the ships on which their families sailed. Just make clear that this is what you're doing - preferably by acknowledging the source of your information in a footnote.

Fuzzy photocopies of wills and birth certificates

If you can't read it when reproduced, why copy the document? If you really do want to reproduce the original will or include a transcript of it - put it in an appendix.

False piety

Everyone was godfearing and nice - even if they weren't. (This particular heresy seems to be fading out, perhaps because there are now lots of models of good, honest books where authors and contributors have told at least enough of the truth to remind us that all families are a microcosm of humankind with all its strength and weaknesses).

Confusing "thanking archives" with "acknowledging your sources"

Please do continue the universal practice amongst family historians of thanking archives and archivists who helped you. But it's not a substitute for listing in a bibliography or list of sources the precise records which you used. Name the exact record groups you used. This is for the sake of other researchers. The good historian always leaves a trail for others to follow.

Vast tracts of information on ancient history

A footnote referring to other histories will appease the obsessive reader.

Unauthentic heraldry

Your family probably had no official claim to a heraldic device. Some family historians are now including a discussion about the family's claims or otherwise to a particular piece of heraldry in an appendix at the back of the book. In my view this is a better place than the traditional high profile position at the front of the book.

Remember: Every page cost money. Include what is necessary to explain your family members' lives. Delete what has little bearing on them.

A book is a story and histories need pace and rhythm. That's why a longwinded introduction and no conclusion can mar your book for the reader. Good Luck!

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HOW SURNAMES BEGAN

Barbara Rose

Most people take surnames for granted, seldom wondering where they came from and what they mean - if anything. Some, like Baker and Brewer are obvious; while others like Kemp and Last, are simply accepted as names. The fact is, every surname - including your own - had a meaning once, and is a clue to one of your remote ancestors.

Surnames were not invented; they just grew out of conversations intended to distinguish one man from another who had the same first name, for example John the Cook was not the same person as John the Archer. As time passed, they became John Cook and John Archer.

There were many ways of identifying a man: his occupation, where he lived, his appearance or behaviour, and even whose son he was. Sometimes they overlapped, for example, Appleton was either "a worker in an orchard" or "one who lived near an orchard".

One of the reasons we have trouble identifying surnames is rooted in the changes in the English language. Many of the words used seven or eight hundred years ago are obsolete, so the name meant something then, but not now. In this way surnames are a means of identifying the life and times of the people in days gone by.

Here are some surnames - maybe you will find yours listed. Group one are surnames which evolved from what a man did, i.e. his occupation; group two, from where a man lived.

Group 1

Appleton	worker in an orchard	Cartwright	maker of carts
Archer	bowman	Chandler	maker or seller of candles
Bacon	pork-butcher	Chappel(l)	one employed at a chapel
Berry	servant at the manor-house	Cooper	maker or repairer of wooden casks
Bond	husbandman	Dewar	a pilgrim
Brewer	brewer	Draper	maker or seller of woollen cloth
Brewster	female brewer		
Butler	servant in charge of the wine cellar		

Farmer	bailiff or steward	Norris	nurse
Forrest	worker in a forest	Packer	a wool-packer
Fowler	hunter of wild birds	Partridge	hunter or catcher of partridges
Gale	gaoler	Plant	gardener
Gard(i)ner	gardener	Potts	potter
Gill	servant	Reeve	reeve
Grainger	one in charge of a grange	Rider	knight
Harper	one who played the harp	Scriven(s)	writer, copier of manuscripts
Hopper	dancer	Segal	assistant priest
Hunt	hunter	Shakespeare	a spearman
Hussey	wife of a house-holder	Smith	smith, blacksmith, farrier
Jenner	engineer	Tanner	tanner
Kemp	warrior	Tower	a leather-dresser
Kempster	female comb of wool or flax	Tyler	maker of tiles
Kitchen	worker in a kitchen	Usher	door-keeper
Last	shoe-maker	Vickery	vicar
Leech	physician	Vinc(s)	worker in the vineyard
Lord	pageant-name, lord and master	Waite	watchman
Marshall	horse-doctor	Weaver	weaver
Master(s)	servant at the master's house	Webb	weaver
Miller	mill	Webster	female weaver
Mulligan	monk	Wicks	worker at the dairy-farm
Naylor	maker of nails	Yates	gate-keeper

Group 2

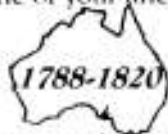
Appleton	near an orchard	Dale	in the dale
At(t)well	by the well, spring or stream	Down(es)	by the downs
Ball	near rounded hill	Easton	to the east of the village
Barn(e)s	near the barns	Fenn	in the marsh
Barton	at the corn-farm	Ford(e)	by the ford
Berger	on or near a mountain	Garland	by the gore-land (triangular piece of land)
Brook(e)(s)	near a stream	Gill	in the deep glen
Carr	by the marsh	Greenfield	by the green field
Cleaver	by the cliff	Hale	from a residence in a remote valley
Coates	by the cottages		
Cross	by the cross		

Hatch	by the gate	Park(er)	in or near a park or enclosure
Hathaway	by the heath-way	Perry	by the pear-tree
Hayter	on the top of a hill	Reeves	at the border of a wood or hill
Holt	in or near a wood	Rich	by a stream
Horn(e)	from a residence near a bend in a river	Riley	by a clearing where rye was grown
Kershaw	near the church wood	Roach	by the rock
Knowles	at the top of the hill	Sellar(s)	at the herdsman's hut
Lake	by the stream	Shaw	by the wood
Langley	by the long wood or clearing	Slack	in the shallow valley
Loader	by the path, road or watercourse	Staples	by the posts
Lodge	at the small cottage	Thorn(e)	by the thorn-bush
Manl(e)y	near a common wood	Townsh(ende)	at the end of the village
Mead(e)	by the meadow	Underwood	within a wood
Mill(s)	at the mill	Wade	by the ord
Myer(s)	by the marsh	Ward	in the marsh
Nash	by the ash-tree	Week(e)s	at a dairy-farm
Noakes	by the oak-trees	Weller	by a spring
Norman	in the north	Withers	by the willows
Oldfield	by the old field	Yates	by the gates
Oxley	in a clearing where oxen were pastured	Yeo	by the stream

About the author: Barbara Rose is a writer who has been having a "love affair" with the English language since she was a child. Born with an insatiable sense of curiosity, Barbara first wanted to know where words came from and how they had changed with passing centuries, then it was her own surname and those of her friends. This knowledge, accumulated over the years, has brightened up many a boring dinner party! Barbara is a writer, editor and publisher who finds time to tutor Creative Writing classes and workshops.

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WAS YOUR ANCESTOR A POLICEMAN?

Thelma Grunnell

Two of mine were and I have had a merry chase to find out their records and places of service. In this I have been helped by a cousin with a common great great grandfather and who lives very handily close to the Devon County Record Office in Exeter, Devon. As with many family details the information has not always been acquired in chronological order of event but has been pieced together over many years.



Police Constable 227 Edward Ball. Probably taken during 1886, his year of enlistment,

My beloved 'Granfer', Edward Ball, retired as Police Sergeant 227 in October 1920 having completed thirty-four years of exemplary and excellent service. (letter 1984 from Devon County Constabulary Archives) From 1904 to 1920 he had been in charge of the police station at Lifton, a small village near the Devon/Cornwall border. Kelly's Directory of Devonshire, 1906 gives the staff of the Lifton sub division as 'Edward Ball sergeant & 8 constables'

In a letter dated July 1992 from the police archives I received further information. Edward Ball appointed 21 January 1886 as PC 227 at the age of 21 years 3 months. At that time he was 5'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ " tall, grey eyes, brown hair and fresh complexion. Single when appointed, English, Protestant, a former labourer with no previous service in Her Majesty's force. Place of birth Stoke Gabriel.

He became a 2nd class Constable 1 May 1888
1st class Constable 1 July 1896
Merit class Constable 1/ April 1902
Sergeant 1 April 1903

He was pensioned on 31 October 1920.

What they could not tell me were the places at which he had been stationed.

Edward was married in July 1889 at Topsham, Exeter to the daughter of another Police Constable, William Henry Phillips. His place of residence on the marriage certificate was

Townstall, Dartmouth. Here his first daughter was born at Spring Hill. The family moved to Halberton near Tiverton (1891 Census) where three children were born, two surviving only a few days after premature births. The address was Wallends.

The next move was to Bradnich near Exeter as the school admission register shows William and Laura Ball transferred from Halberton school on 18 January 1897. The death certificate of William Henry Phillips in 1899 states that he was living at Bradnich with his daughter and son-in-law and was at that time an Inspector for the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC). I wonder how WHP became an NSPCC Inspector?

Edward was posted to Lifton for a brief period then returned to Bradnich (Kelly's Directory 1902) before taking up his final posting at Lifton. He was referred to as Sergeant Ball right to the time of his death in 1936 being then the keeper of a general shop and secretary to the parochial church council (Parish chest records).

I was known as 'Sergeant Ball's liddle maid' in the village - a great disadvantage when getting up to mischief! When on a visit to the village in 1982 I met up with old friends of the family and one elderly man said *when we was boys we didn't half run when Sergeant Ball came along, else he'd give us a good clip if we was up to no good. Then we'd get another from "Feyther" for good measure if we let on about it!*

Tracing William Henry Phillips has been a little more difficult. He was stone mason at Ivybridge, Devon at the birth of his daughter in 1867 (birth certificate). The following information was received from the Devonshire Police archives in 1992. Appointed 3rd class Constable no 111, 20/12/1867, height 5'10" at the age of 21 years 10 months. Married, grey eyes, light hair, fair complexion. English, Protestant, had not served in any of Her Majesty's forces, born at Ivybridge.

He became a: 2nd class Constable 1 February 1870 and 1 August 1881 (Wonder why he was down graded?)

1st class Constable 1 May 1872 and 1 August 1884.

Merit class Constable 1 February 1892.

A/Sergeant 1 July 1891.

Sergeant 1 April 1892.

Inspector 17 August 1894.

He retired with pension on 31 March 1895.

On the 1881 census William H. Phillips is shown living at Winkleigh, in the rural district of Torrington, with wife, daughter Laura and nephew George H. Priddle (an orphan). From the Winkleigh school board record we learnt that he was transferred to Exeter in 1883 (*Tasmanian Ancestry*, March 1995). He was still there in 1889 at his daughter's marriage (newspaper notice). In the 1891 census he was at Topsham as first class Constable with wife Susannah and a boarder. John Woodberry, a second class Constable born at Heavitree, Exeter.

Apart from dying at Bradnich this is all that we were able to discover about William Henry Phillip's police service as lack of time prevented further searching in more Kelly's directories for Devon. I could well take a camp stretcher and reside in the Devon County record office for months!

Lifton came under the control of the Tavistock Police Superintendent and I have a press cutting photo of Edward Ball and others attending a pay parade. Constable Simon Gill (no relation to our Jenny) is writing a book on the history of the Tavistock Police Station, the men associated with it and surrounding posting so if your ancestor was a policeman in this area please contact me and I will send you Simon's address. He will be most appreciative of any information.

So, if your Ancestor was a Policemen too do try the avenues indicated in this article for getting your man!

TRADES AND OTHER DIRECTORIES

Jo Keen

If an ancestor's occupation is known, directories can be of immense assistance in adding to one's knowledge of him/her. The first, very limited, directory was published for London in 1671. Subsequently, however, they became more and more informative to include not only gentry, clergy, etc., but tradespeople too and also, from the latter part of the eighteenth century, valuable information about the places where they lived.

You are not likely to find "Labourers" or "Ag. labs." - probably they were too numerous to include - but you should find most people who practised any profession or trade, particularly if they were self-employed. If your reaction to that is that you are unlikely to have anyone with their own business, then it should be remembered that many small trades and craftspeople actually worked in their own homes (sometimes with the whole family, including quite small children, thereby collectively occupied), selling the results of their labours to local factories, mills, shops, etc.

As it took some time for very small places to be listed separately, it's always a good idea to look for the nearest large town - in some directories the surrounding small villages were included.

Following through successive directories can help to pinpoint the length of time of an ancestor's residence in that place, or even indicate the approximate year of death. Sometimes a change of occupation may be picked up. Often if a tradesman did not work from his own home, both addresses were given, thus enabling the researcher to know which census to refer to next. Often, when a man died, succeeding directories will show that his widow was continuing the family business. This, in turn, can lead to inspection of his will which may contain instructions regarding the business.

New publications of old directories are constantly becoming available, making it possible for any library or individual to have at hand a selection, covering overall quite a lengthy period.

For researchers of Australian families, there are similar series of directories for New South Wales and Victoria and, no doubt, for other states, some of which may be found in our own branch libraries.

THAT VERY OLD SETTLER - JAMES BRUMBY

Anne Bartlett

In the cemetery beside the Church at Longford is the grave of that "very old settler," James Brumby, who departed this life on September the 14th 1838 at the age of 65 years.¹

James was born Scotton, at 7 o'clock on Thursday night, 18 July 1791, the third son of William Brumby and his wife, Margaret (née Popple).² Scotton is a small village in Lincolnshire, not far from Gainsborough. When he was 18 years old he enlisted in the 102nd Regiment (New South Wales Corp) at Chatham on the 4 January 1790. However his name is included on a list of those who "Enlisted or Joined from other Regiments" so he may have served in another regiment prior to joining the 102nd. This could have been the "1st Royl Gar Batt". James was described as being 37 years 9 months old on this list and as having served 17 years and 231 days. He had grey eyes, brown hair, sallow complexion and round visage. He was 6 foot tall which unusually tall for the period.³

James Brumby, arrived at Port Jackson as a private in the 102nd Regiment on 14 October 1791 on board the *Britannia*, one of the convict transports in the Third Fleet. The voyage had taken 201 days during which 21 of the 150 convicts had died.⁴

The Army pay lists for the Regiment give some details of James' career in the colonies.

Date	Comments	Pay
1798	Private, Colonel Grose's Company,	1/- per day
31 December 1800	Promoted to Corporal	1/2¼ per day ⁵
4th April 1801	Promoted to Sergeant	1/3¼ per day
	Transferred to Captain Townsend's Company ⁶	
25th August 1801	Transferred to Lieutenant Colonel William Patterson's Company	1/3¼
25 March 1807		1/10
25 December 1808	Discharged by order of Colonel Patterson ⁷	

Following his transfer to Colonel Patterson's Company in 1801, James served in that company for the remainder of his career in the army. The pay lists and muster rolls indicate that he was with a detachment of guards at the Georges River during the month ending the 24 November 1801 and that he was sick for a time in August 1801 and again in early 1804. In late 1804 he sailed with Lieutenant Colonel Patterson who had been ordered to found a settlement at Port Dalrymple on the Tamar River.

Following Governor King's departure from New South Wales in 1792, James was the recipient of one of a number of grants made to the men of the regiment by Lieutenant Governor Francis Grose, commander of the NSW Corps. On 3 December 1794 he received a grant of 25 acres in *Laying and situate in Lane Cove in the district of Hunter's Hill*. Grose, however, did not have the authority to give land grants and they were all cancelled following the arrival of Governor John Hunter. Later he was one of four privates to receive a grant from Governor Hunter. On 1 May 1797 James, Thomas Bruin, Francis Wilkinson and William Smith, received a grant of 100 acres

in the District of Mulgrave Place, *lying and situate on the banks of the river Hawkesbury and bounded on the S. by Bradley farm and on the N. by Singleton farm.* The quit rent was one shilling per year due to commence on the 1st May 1802.⁸

Family tradition has it that Brumby was unable to muster all his horses prior to sailing to Port Dalrymple. They subsequently went bush where they bred. Residents who asked "whose horses are they?" would receive the answer "They're Brumby's". Hence the name "brumbies" for wild horses. According to the Settlers Muster Book for 1800, however, James had no horses, cattle, sheep or hogs, had not planted any wheat or maize and was still on stores.⁹ Horses were in short supply in the early days of the settlement at Port Jackson and so commanded high prices when sold. It is highly unlikely that James, on his Sergeant's pay, would have had sufficient money to acquire a number of horses by 1804 and then be in a position to leave them behind. If the term "brumbies" comes from the family name, it did not come into being at this time.

Once he arrived in Van Diemen's Land, James appeared to have prospered. When writing to Viscount Castlereagh, on the 12 August 1806, Colonel Patterson states that *Three Settlers only have yet established themselves here; one of those was James Brumby.*¹⁰ The following year he was to receive a payment of £92/15/- for kangaroo flesh, swine flesh and potatoes.¹¹ He received a grant of 100 acres in 1809, soon after he had been discharged and this was followed by further grants of 150 acres in 1813 and 100 acres in 1823.¹² His license to graze stock on a run at Queen's Bay Bluff was renewed in September 1819.¹³ I have been unable to locate where Queen's Bay Bluff is but it has been suggested that it may have been Quamby Bluff. According to the general muster of proprietors of land and stock at Port Dalrymple, held the following month, James had 620 acres: 50 sown with wheat and 570 acres of pasture. His stock consisted of 5 horses, 341 cattle, 1300 sheep and 13 swine and he had the service of three government servants (i.e. convicts). The 1820 Muster show that he had 386 horned cattle and 1853 sheep and, in addition to six crown servants, he employed three freemen on his property. The 1822 Muster shows that James had purchased 360 of the 640 acres of land that he owned. At this time 100 acres had been cleared and 10 acres of wheat had been sown. During the early 1820s he was regularly supplying fresh meat to His Majesty's Stores.¹⁴ A further grant of 200 acres on the Lake River was subsequently re-granted to Thomas Archer.¹⁵

The exact location of James first grant is unknown. Von Stieglitz wrote that *Richmond Hill which later was to become St Wilfred's College ... contained, with additions, the first one hundred acres that was granted to James Brumby. It was mentioned in 1809, as being on the South Esk, but was in reality on the Lake River.* James had sold "Richmond Hill" to the Cressy Company in 1826. He had built a cottage on it and there was also an unfinished house. The house was completed to J.D. Toosey's design and the unfinished house was incorporated in the back part of it.¹⁶ However Von Steiglitz also wrote that *His grant was in the Westbury district but he exchanged this later with William Field who had been granted land on the lake River. Here Brumby built "Harwick" in 1829. William Field named his property "Westfield".* H. Stancombe repeats this in the notes included with Wedge's diaries.¹⁷ James did own "Harwick Hill" at one time and is recorded as selling it to his nephew Robert Brumby.¹⁸

James was involved in a number of land transactions, however, as the registration of titles did not begin until 1827, transactions before that time are difficult to trace but the following have been found. The 150 acres he received as a grant in 1813 was located on the North Esk River and was

subsequently granted to James Thorneloe. The 100 acre grant received in 1823 was situated on the Lake River. For a short time during the 1820s James owned much of the land between "Richmond Hill" and Brumbys Creek. The land commissioners' report stated that he sold all the farms between Mr. W.E. Lawrence's northern boundary and the Lake River to Joseph Archer. He had bought 408 acres on the Lake River from Robert Gregory and subsequently sold it to Thomas Archer. A further 355 acres on the Lake River was purchased from Thomas Hammant and subsequently conveyed to Joseph Archer. The 206 acres purchased from Nathaniel Williait was conveyed to his son, James junior, as was the 43 acres he purchased from Samuel Day. The former area was located on Brumby's Creek and the latter in Longford. The main road to Longford intersected both blocks.¹⁹

The name Brumby was perpetuated with the naming of Brumby's Creek, in the Norfolk Plains district. An area which had been known as Brumbey's Plains was renamed Breadalbane Plains by Governor Macquarie during his visit in December 1881. Macquarie describes *the plains as a fine tract of land ... by far the richest soil and best pasturage we saw in this days' ride; they are well watered by a succession of fine copious springs, containing many thousands of acres of most excellent [soil?], most beautiful situation being a succession of plains, valley and gentle eminences only about two miles from the North Esk and about 5 miles from Launceston.*²⁰

In October 1822 it was reported that Mr. J. Brumby had erected a watermill.²¹ However correspondence from James indicates that ownership of the mill was disputed. In a letter to the Lieutenant Governor, James claimed that he:

- ◆ employed a millwright named Yates to erect a mill upon land that he had purchased from Yates
- ◆ supplied Yates and his family with provisions while the mill was being erected,
- ◆ undertook to employ Yates to work the mill when it was finished in return for which he would receive half of the profits
- ◆ would hand over his half share of the mill to Yates when he received half the cost of building the mill from Yates

James further claimed that:

- ◆ the expenses involved in erecting the mill were upwards of £2,000
- ◆ he had been compelled to dispose of 1200 acres of land and much of his stock to meet his debts
- ◆ Yates had been working the mill for four years and he had not received a share of the profits
- ◆ Yates claimed the mill as his own as it was erected on Yates land.
- ◆ Yates surreptitiously obtained the transfer deeds, which had been left in Mr. Field's office, and destroyed them.

Reference is made to James selling 1200 acres of land to Mr Joseph Archer in the Land Commissioners' Journals and the 1822 stock muster shows that the amount of stock owned by James had decreased. Whether this was because he was unable to meet his debts because of the expense of erecting the mill or whether it was because he was drinking too much is not known. In 1824 Thomas Archer had described James as an *honest and industrious (altho' of late not very sober)* man. His concerns regarding the mill may led to his overindulging. The Yates family, however, retained ownership of the mill, which was built on the North Esk River, and ground

wheat for the Government for a number of years, so presumably James was not able to prove his case.²²

James, however, was more successful in another of his enterprises. He established a punt for the convenience of settlers near the junction of the Lake (Macquarie) and South Esk Rivers. Punt Road at Longford leads down to the river where the punt use to be. Governor Sorell approved of this enterprise and had promised to reward James with a grant of unlocated land on the other bank of the river so that access to the punt should not impeded. However, Sorell was recalled before the grant was made and James wrote to his successor, Governor Arthur, requesting him to confirm the promise. Thomas Archer confirmed that Sorell had made such a promise and James received 60 acres. This land was later granted to James Palmer Ball and became part of "Mountford".²³

In 1828 his nephew, John Brumby, wrote to the Lieutenant Governor requesting some form of remuneration for his having allowed free passages to constables, the military and others, including carts, on public duty during the two years he had been operating the punt. The previous year James' son, William had asked for a licence for an inn on his father's land at the punt. Malcolm Laing Smith, the Police Magistrate approved of this as he hoped it would check illicit grog trade in the district. The licence for this inn, The Crown Inn, was held by James' sons, William and James junior until 1835 when it was sold. The Punt was sold during the 1830s and in 1839 it was owned by William Webb.²⁴

By 1818 there was a road from Port Dalrymple to Hobart Town and in October of that year Lieutenant-Governor Sorell wrote to Major Cimitiere, commandant at Port Dalrymple, that:

It is my intention to publish orders regulating anew the progress of Carts from here to Port Dalrymple, and limiting them strictly to passing into the Settlement by Gibson's Ford, which can be no inconvenience to any. it will be necessary therefore to give instructions to the Constables near the Fords at Mr Archer's to arrest all Carts coming from this side by that road; to carry the Carts in safe, and deliver them up to you and I beg you will have any Carts so stopped sent back without being suffered to unload, under charge of a responsible person, and a proper Escort to this place.

*I would recommend Mr. Brumby who lives near these Fords at Norfolk Plains being made a Constable to attend to this duty.*²⁵

The regulations Sorell spoke of were duly published in the *Hobart Town Gazette* on the 24 October 1818. In the same issue it is reported that military parties would be stationed at District Constable William's, Fourteen Tree Plain, Jericho and at Mr. Massey's farm or the house adjoining the Ford over the South Esk to police the regulations. There is, however, no reference in this or subsequent issues of James being appointed a constable. Such appointments were usually published in the *Gazette* so to it is not known whether Major Cimitiere acted on Sorell's recommendation.

The Rev. Knopwood married James and Elizabeth Annesley (Hainsley/ Ainsley/ Hensley/ Hannesley) by banns on 18 March 1811 at Launceston during the minister's first visit to Port Dalrymple. On the same day their two sons, John and William were baptised. Their third son, James, was baptised on the 16 March 1814, during Knopwood's second visit to Port Dalrymple.

This must have been forgotten for there is a record of James Brumby, son of James and Elizabeth, born 18 September 1811, being baptised by the Rev. Youl on 11 January 1819.²⁶

All of James and Elizabeth's children died young. Their eldest, son John died on 18 August 1825, aged 18, and was buried by the John Youl on the 20th on his father's land. Their second son, William, who had married Ann Mansfield the year before, died in May 1841, aged thirty-six, a month before his twin sons were born. William and Ann had a family of a six children, five sons and a daughter. Following William's death, Ann married James Hortle and she is buried at the Cressy Church of England cemetery. James, junior, the youngest son of James and Elizabeth, died in 1855, aged forty-four. He had married Mary Ann Flood in 1836 and they had a family of twelve children. James and Mary Ann are both buried in the Christ Church, Longford cemetery.²⁷

James' wife, Elizabeth Hainsley, and Maria Hainsley, both widows, were tried at Nottingham in January 1795 for stealing a brass pot and a brass pan, the property of William Hodgson. They were found guilty and sentenced to seven years transportation²⁸. They both arrived at Port Jackson on board the *Indispensable* on 30 April 1796 after a voyage of about 6 months. In 1801 Elizabeth Hensley was shown as being off stores as she was residing with or employed by Cpl Brumby.²⁹ A list of free women residing at Norfolk Plains states that Elizabeth Brumby had arrived from Europe on the *Indispensable* and in Van Diemen's Land on the *Buffalo* in 1804. Her native place is given as New Castle, her age was given as fifty-one years and she had three children under sixteen years, the list is thought to have been compiled in 1823.³⁰

Elizabeth died on 12 March 1846, aged 80 years, at "McRae's Hills", the property of her youngest son, having survived her husband by eight years, James having died on 14 September 1838.³¹ They are both buried in the cemetery at Christ Church, Longford. The original headstones are no longer fully visible, having been used for the base of the vault which now marks their grave and which was erected during in the 1970s.

Endnote: Jane Dobb (née Brumby) has written an excellent book entitled *The Brumbys from Lincolnshire: A Family History* which gives further details of the lives of James and Elizabeth Brumby which have not been touched on in this article. The first chapter in the book contains the results of her research on the Brumby family in Lincolnshire. Copies can be obtained from Jane at 17 MacRobertson Street, Mawson, ACT 2607.

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Mrs Newlyrich hired a genealogist to work up an impressive family tree for her. His research revealed that one ancestor had been electrocuted for murder, so he wrote of that person "Occupied the chair of applied electricity at one of our better known public institutions."

THE ABC OF YOU AND ME

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The word "alphabet" is variously defined in Chambers' *Twentieth Century Dictionary* and *The Shorter Oxford English Dictionary* as a system of letters arranged in conventional order, as an index, and as a key to any study.¹ You may prefer one of these definitions above another on the grounds of Scottish or English descent but, nevertheless, pursuit of your family history has probably meant trekking through many indexes, studying the information gleaned from various sources, and arranging it in some sort of order. Using an alphabetical approach in this paper therefore seemed an apt (and, I hope, entertaining) way to introduce the records of the Launceston City Council to you. It also provided an opportunity to encourage some lateral thinking, and to look at Launceston's past and those who were part of it in many different ways. Such an approach and such a resource also raise the question "Where does local history end and family history begin?" Let us begin by taking up our bunch of 26 keys (and maybe a few spares) and unlocking the garden gate of the Launceston City Council.

A is for ALDERMEN

A tip to begin with - secondary sources can sometimes be a reliable short cut to a piece of information. The first of a series of "red guides" to the Council records, held in the Community History Collections of the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, is a summary of the tenure of the city fathers. There have been over 150 of them since the beginning of Launceston's municipal government in 1853. The guide includes name, dates of election, length of service, and whether they resigned or died in office.²

A is also for **APPLICATIONS**. The earliest series of Council correspondence (LCC 1), which is arranged chronologically month by month and covers the period 1853 to 1906, includes applications for employment from time to time. Prior to the appointment of E. Dix to the position of Council Messenger in 1857 (he remained in the office for nearly 50 years), the Council had cause to seek an incumbent on at least two previous occasions. In April 1855, persons by the surnames of Judd, Mills, Street, Cleavers, Saunders, Veitch, Lawler, Constantine and South were among over twenty-five applicants. Samuel Cleavers wrote

I am A Married Man just Arrived from London per ship Whirlwind having A Father's Brother and sister in the town [and] have lived with Mr John Lovett, Cheesemonger ... of 66 High Holbourn London for the Last 23 years. I am at present stopping with my Father Mr William Cleavers Bathurst Street³

John Constantine, whose name will occur again later, stated that

I am a free man - married - and have been in the employ of Mr William Peter of the Wellington Road for the last nineteenth months ... My residence is in White Street near the Slaughter House ...⁴

Neither man got the job, but we nevertheless learn some useful facts about them from those applications.

B is for BREACH of the BY-LAWS

The Council records, fairly predictably, include several volumes of consolidated by-laws, amended and re-issued over the years. Many of us have offended and been fined accordingly at one time or another - a parking infringement or late rates remittance perhaps. These days, individual case documents would usually be destroyed after a period. However, some survive intermittently in the early Council correspondence. The tale of Mary Ann Lukin and the seven pigs emerged following an apparent blitz against straying livestock in the Market Square. In April 1854 Mary Ann, on account of her pigs, was fined the princely sum of two pounds, two shillings and sixpence. As the only woman amongst several offenders on this occasion, one wonders whether she was a widow, a recalcitrant (she came before the magistrate again subsequently) - or both.⁵

C is for CORPORATION EMPLOYEES

There must have been hundreds of them over the years. The Council records held by the Museum do not include employee cards as one might expect. However, correspondence files for almost any year will include details of incidents which are often far richer in humanity. When a Mr Coomb nearly lost both his Corporation house and job during a period of prolonged ill-health in the Depression years, the Council treated him with considerably more compassion than a local busybody.⁶

C is also for **COMPUTER ACCESS** - there is no such master key to the garden gate as yet - and for **CHINESE**. In the case of the city's earliest distinctively ethnic group there are occasional interesting references, albeit difficult to find. An early example from the mid-nineteenth century cites a stone throwing incident, and provides an insight into Christian - or not so Christian - values of the time. A more recent file refers to the contract to remove manure from the Abattoirs held by Mr Chung Gon for many years.

D is for DOG LICENCES

Included in the Council's early licensing records are two registers concerned with the issue of dog licences, one for 1885 and the other for 1889 to 1895. They include the owner's name, the number of dogs registered (usually one or two) and registration details.⁷ The later register also gives the owner's street address. Names in the D section for 1889 include Dally, Dobson, Dan, Doyle, Douglas, Dodery, Duncan, Duff and so on.

D is also for **DECEASED**. In early 1923, the Council received an enquiry from New Zealand concerning relatives of 32149 John Delaney. Born in Launceston on 31 January 1888, he died in Great Britain during the 1914-1918 War whilst serving with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force. It was not unusual for Australians to serve with the British, but far less common to join up with the New Zealanders. The Council made extensive enquiries in Devonport, Queenstown and Launceston to trace relatives to whom Delaney's medals could be passed on, but had to report the endeavour 'fruitless'. The New Zealand authorities resolved the matter by forwarding the medals to Launceston anyway, to be placed in a suitable case or frame and exhibited in a place of honour.⁸ It would appear they were, in fact, placed in the Museum.

E is for ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

If you are keen to discover exactly whether your relatives paid their bills⁹ - and for **ENVIABLE OCCUPATIONS**, Launceston has periodically been beleaguered by rat plagues. Perhaps fortunately for him, the official rat exterminator in the late 1930's remains anonymous.¹⁰

F is for FISHING LICENCES

Two registers of fishing licences represent another type of licensing record. One covers the period 1885 to 1887, the second 1905 to 1914.¹¹ The going rate was ten shillings per licence for over twenty years. The small earlier register includes names such as Farthing, Martin, Johnstone, Mitchell (all of Launceston), Valentine and Weedon (Invermay), Warner, Shaw, and Hillier (St Leonard's) amongst those licensed in 1887.

G is for GELFERT

Council correspondence files of this century occasionally include enquiries about missing persons. Mr Gelfert was one such case. In 1925, his daughter wrote from Berlin seeking a copy of her birth certificate (she had been born in Zechan) and news of his whereabouts. Efforts to trace the man in South Australia and New South Wales led to the conclusion that he had died ten or twelve years previously, little solace for a single lady supporting an invalid mother on an irregular income in post World War I Germany.¹²

H is for HOWARD

Another interesting 'missing' person was a certain Thomas Howard. A Captain in a British regiment, he was purported to be living at "The Springs" in Evandale in the 1840s and his name linked with a Thomas Foster (or Forster). A whole file deals with the enquiry, but it must be stressed this is an exception rather than the rule in such cases.¹³ However, the example allows some other general observations. Firstly, it was really a family history enquiry, made in 1913. Secondly, the file has more to say about another Thomas Howard, illustrating the problem of half knowledge and red herrings which most of you have probably experienced in pursuing distant (and perhaps not so distant) relatives. Thirdly, a file often has more to tell us than its title suggests. In this case there was interesting information about other local identities who were not the subject of the original enquiry at all.

I is for INDEXES

The Launceston Council records do include some original indexes but, like many others of similar type, are less promising than one hopes. Those in the early letterbooks are referred to a little later. There are also name index cards, but only for the period 1922 to 1937 (LCC 4). Later ones from the same sequence are still held at the Town Hall. The bigger problem is that, while the cards give the name, date and even a brief indication of the subject under discussion, the 'file number' is really a subject class number in the correspondence filing system of the period (LCC 3). The letter to which an index entry actually refers could be tucked away in any one of ten or more files, each with the same number. These cards are really for the desperate - whether the lifejacket really serves its purpose is, after all, often a matter of luck and perseverance. Mention is also made of a secondary name index to a guide still in preparation for the early correspondence (to 1870 only). It is not an index to the correspondence itself and, hopefully, computerisation may supersede the need to complete (to 1906) what is a very labour intensive exercise anyway.

I is also for **INFECTIOUS DISEASES**. Two types of record detail individual cases of various notifiable diseases, particularly diphtheria, whooping cough, scarlet fever, and infantile paralysis. The first is a register of infectious diseases for the period 1921 to 1938.¹⁴ It gives name, age and sex of the patient, school attended, name of house occupier, address, and nature of the disease certified. Certain correspondence files on the same general subject (LCC 2 and LCC 3) also identify individual cases.

J is for JARMAN and JOHNSON

Proceedings were imminent against both these greyhound owners in March 1939. Mr Jarman was very cheeky when informed he should have his dogs muzzled when leading them in a public place. The City Inspector sought help from a police constable on duty nearby to obtain the man's name and address. The very next day, the City Inspector reported a public nuisance being caused by Mr Johnson's dogs being too closely confined in a penned off portion of a private street. The keeping of greyhounds was not uncommon, but you might wonder at the title of the file ('Health - Dogs') in which the two incidents are recorded.¹⁵

K is for KRUSHKA

A lady obstructing the law this time. She refused to submit her shop weights and scales for testing.¹⁶

K is also for **KIOSK LESSEES** or, those smiling (perhaps somewhat harassed) ladies behind counters and tea cups at York Park, the Gorge, and Carr Villa. Buildings and Land and Properties files in the Council correspondence (LCC 3) often provide a glimpse of the personal situation of these and other lessees of Corporation property (especially houses). In the 1920s and 1930s many were in straightened financial circumstances.

L is for LETTERBOOKS

Office copies of outgoing Council correspondence for the period 1853 to 1929 can be found in 57 letterbooks (LCC 5). The earlier ones cover periods of up to five years each. From 1907, there is a letterbook for every year. To early January 1922, each volume had its own index at the front. The volume for the years 1881-1885 includes a few personal names in the L section - Lakin, Lilly, Lord, Lamont, Lette. But a note of caution. The index entries are rather elementary, and legibility in the early volumes is sometimes a problem where the writing ink has burned into the tissue paper blurring the text.

L is also for **LEGAL DOCUMENTS**. Introductions to each record series in the Council collection can be found in the respective 'red guide'. The one for various legal documents dating from 1906 to 1970 explains where similar earlier documents may be found, and that the series (LCC 11) includes leases, agreements, undertakings, bonds, some abstracts of land title, indentures and conditions of appointment to a Council position. The documents are arranged chronologically, and fully listed to encourage researchers to use what may otherwise have been a difficult source. The first folder in the series, covering the years 1906 to 1909, includes documents in the following names - Sinclair, Lawrence, Ah Yen, Gill, Donovan, Clear and others.

At this point, mention is also made of a more detailed overview of the Launceston City Council records, the 14 series presently comprising the collection, and some other problems which may confront users. This paper was published by the Launceston Historical Society last year.¹⁷

M is for MATSON

There must be something about files titled 'Health - Dogs', but could you write a letter to the Council like Mr Matson's?

Dear Sir

I am desirous of drawing your attention to a nerve-wrecking nocturnal noise in ... York Street, emitted by dogs ... I am cognisant that an official reprimanded the owner of the dogs, but I am impelled to say, that quite recently there is a recrudescence of these animals canine cacophony. The owner ... is conterminous [sic] of [the By-law and] should be dealt with drastically.¹⁸

M is also for **MISCELLANEOUS**. Never underestimate the boundless possibilities filed under this heading, unless you simply do not have the time to explore them. The Council correspondence for the years 1907 to 1922 (LCC 2) includes several folders titled 'Miscellaneous Correspondence - General' and 'Miscellaneous Correspondence - Town Clerk' in which correspondents' letters are filed alphabetically.

N is for NORTH BANK

This is the me of 'The ABC of You and Me'. As a relative newcomer to the city, but admittedly fortunate to have considerable experience with the Council records, I have quite incidentally come across references to the suburb where we live and the lovely old home we have bought. References dating between 1931 and 1953 to Trevallyn as *the nursery of the onion weed*, problems with garbage collection *from all houses in North Bank*, and alterations to drainage on our property about the time it was sub-divided (the papers include a plan of the house as it was years before more recent alterations).¹⁹ The point is that where we live and the social environment of times past and present are valid and important factors in our family history.

O is for OCCUPATIONS

Other licensing registers for the years 1911 to 1963 identify persons in an interesting range of private occupations - butchers, slaughtermen, licensees of places of public entertainment, plumbers, hawkers, owners of offensive trade premises (bark mills, tanneries, fellmongeries, soap factories), sellers of ice cream and aerated waters (lemonade and cordials), auctioneers, cowkeepers.²⁰ Most of these 'miscellaneous' registers record name and address and licence details (cost, date etc). For example, registered butchers in 1913 include the names Church, Hadfield, Barling, Goodwin, Ferrall, Bender, Bakewell, licensees of places of public entertainment in 1919 include the names Good, Forward, Lloyd, Littler, and so on.

P is for PUBLIC RESERVES

A particular local government occupation may have involved working for the Public Reserves Department. Eight volumes of the department's weekly pay sheets for the period 1889 to 1922 include the payee's name, job (labourer, foreman etc), the number of days worked, the pay rate and total earned.²¹ Sometimes you can discover where the men were working. We can hardly be surprised that, in the week ending 26 November 1891, C.A. Walker (gardener), J. Thorpe (foreman), Morris, Chance, Fraser, Cahill and others laboured in the City Park area near the Albert Hall. Indeed this work had been their main concern for most of the same month, with dates set for an imminent Mayoral Ball and an important Exhibition.

Q is for QUOR

Apparently a name of Chinese derivation, our Mr Quor was associated with garbage collection in the city some fifty years ago when it was still dependant on horses and carts negotiating the city's often steep and narrow laneways and busier streets. Mr Quor had to rest his horses periodically when negotiating the badly rutted track to the former lower Charles Street tip.

R - REMEMBER the RHYME

It goes like this

Tinker, tailor,
Soldier, sailor,
Rich man, poor man,
Beggar man, thief,
Doctor, lawyer, Indian Chief

Just as families have one or more of any of these, so are the Council records a source for people from all walks of life. That is one of the reasons they are a wonderful resource.

S is for ST DAVID or SARGENT?

Sometimes one may unmask an *alias* in the family, perhaps when tracing war service or a fostered relative. However, I was surprised to discover through two files titled 'Inquiries - General' that the birth name of long-serving Launceston City Engineer, C. St John David, was actually Sargent. Some years after his death a sister and a son in England wrote separately, in 1930 and 1938 respectively, requesting details about his Carr Villa grave.²²

T is for TRAM PASSES

An unexpected source of information for returned 1914-1918 War servicemen can be found in three registers of tram passes issued in the period 1918 to 1929.²³ Two of the registers include name, regimental number, rank (Private, Corporal etc), unit (3rd Field Company Engineers, 10 Machine Gun Company, 26 Infantry Battalion etc) address (from Zeehan to Burnie, Pateena to Winnaleah) and details of the pass. The conditions governing the one month passes included their availability over any route and the serviceman being on the sick list, until discharge or return to duty. The holder had to be in AIF uniform showing unit colours on the sleeve *otherwise the fare must be paid*, presumably a precaution against bludgers and dishonesty. The third register is similar, but also includes details of incapacitation (blindness, loss of limb etc). Obviously far more information could be obtained from the servicemen's personal dossiers (now held by the Australian Archives in Canberra) or from the Australian Defence Force Academy's AIF database, but these Council registers do tell us a little about the soldiers' movements in the immediate post war years.

U is for UPTON STREET

When Freddy Einsford-Hill sang about *the street where you live* he was hardly thinking about road repairs and gutters (or the lack of). Nor did he seem to care what the neighbours thought. However, numerous petitions in the Council correspondence of the 1850s to 1870s (LCC 1) tell us a great deal about what Launceston residents thought about their streets. The petitions may be

signed by ten or twenty concerned neighbours. In the winter of 1858 residents of Upton Street asked for water to be laid on, especially *as the pipes are already but about 140 yards from our residences and will incur but little expence* [sic]. The signatories included John Constantine (whom we met earlier), Phillip Farrell, Robert Robson, Benjamin Holder and James Keough. Incidentally, from this petition we learn that Upton Street was also known as "the Crescent".²⁴

V is for VAIBAR

Mr V. Vaibar wrote from Czechoslovakia to the Council in 1936, and again ten years later, enquiring whether his brother still lived in the North East of the state. He did, but perhaps he chose not to keep in touch, despite the changes which must have been wrought to family and homeland in the intervening war years.²⁵

W is for WADDLE

Most family history research in this country is likely to involve land records at some stage. Early land grants have particular interest. It is not easy to discover details of improvements to land, or otherwise as became apparent in three letters from the Colonial Secretary's Office to Messrs Pearson and Foote. In February 1866, the said gentlemen requested access to land they had purchased from the Crown through land granted to Alexander Waddle near Cambridge Street *in the suburbs of Launceston*. From one of the letters it transpired that the Waddle land *has never been improved since its first being granted... either by building, fencing, or otherwise*. The matter was still unresolved sixteen months later.²⁶

X is for X!

X marks the spot where a signature would be expected if the writer was literate. In the nineteenth century many were not. Several early Council documents (eg, tenders, rate appeals) identify persons of little or no education. Perhaps that was why Jane Napier enlisted the help of George Collins to appeal against the assessment of her George Street property in 1868.²⁷

Y is for YOUNG MAN

Master Fairthorne, aged three at the time, had *apparently developed a habit of inserting foreign bodies into the drains*. Furthermore, the young gentleman was *rather proud of his exploits and informed the workman that he had put daddy's pipe down the drain*. Clearly extremely annoyed about his blocked sewer, the "suffering parent" (a well known St John Street chemist) was advised that *if you are short of a pipe you will know where it is*.²⁸

Z is for ...

Looking in the Council's name index cards (LCC 4) for inspiration, a promising Z leader card turned out to be one of those red herrings. It reminded me that family history research is rather like a game of Monopoly. Taking a chance, you may still end up being told "Do not pass Go, do not collect \$200".

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FROM CAMBRIDGESHIRE TO THE KERMANDIE

Malcolm J. Turnbull

Newton is a picturesque rural hamlet in the heart of England's fen country. Although only six to seven miles south of Cambridge and within reasonable walking distance of major motorways, it remains refreshingly "off the tourist track", generally bypassed by all but a couple of local bus services. Tradition has it that a fire which broke out in midsummer 1746 destroyed most of the village (even roasting the apples on their trees) and, in the process, effectively stunted Newton's growth. Today it is much the same (tiny) size that it was 200 years ago (comparable, say, with the Tasmanian township of Carrick).

Dominated by two ancient manor houses and farms, the village is bounded to the south by a fourteenth century church, now known as St. Margaret's; further north, hard by the green, is a colourful pub, the *Queen's Head*, parts of which are reputedly 400 years old; a mile to the west by road (or across the wheatfields) is the much larger village of Harston. Henry Sharp(e), a farm-labourer who was transported to Van Diemen's Land and became one of the earliest settlers at Geeveston, was a native of Newton and spent the first twenty-six years of his life in the limited geographical surrounds of his birthplace, Harston and the neighbouring villages of Hauxton, Foxton and Whittlesford. This short paper collates the facts available on Henry's life and traces his progress from petty criminal to respectable orchardist and "patriarch".

Parish records indicate that there have been Sharp(e)s at or near Newton since (at least) the sixteenth century. One Robert Sharp, a Fellow of King's College, Cambridge, was vicar of Newton and Hauxton until deprived of the living in 1573; he was succeeded by another Robert Sharp who likewise lost his post when he failed to wear surplices at Easter or deliver sermons on Sundays. Other Sharp(e)s regularly married, bred and died at Newton in the course of the following two centuries; Samuel Sharp (1784-1858) married Catherine Rayner (1783-1848) there in February 1805 and fathered at least six children, including the unlucky Henry.¹

Born on 24 June 1810, Henry Sharp appears to have worked from childhood as an itinerant farm-hand in the Newton-Harston area. He married Sarah Worboys (born 1808) at neighbouring Foxton in October 1830 and the couple had a son, Frederick. By the time their second child, Ann, was born (at Newton in July 1834),² Henry had also achieved a reputation as a local "bad boy" - sporting tattoos on both arms, well-known at the *Queen's Head* and other public houses in the district, and no stranger to the county's magistrates. In at least one instance, he had a conviction recorded and probably served a short prison term (although I have not been able to locate any details).

In July 1833 Henry was charged, along with a companion William Jude, with stealing a fishing net and selling it. According to the *Cambridge Chronicle*, Sharp, in his defence, said he had found [the net] in a brook. Clearly, there was some doubt about his guilt as he was acquitted (Jude served six months on a separate charge), but he was much less fortunate the next time around.³

On 6 January 1837 Henry again faced the Cambridge Quarter Sessions, indicted (along with Jude and another young farm-hand, William Hervey) for stealing a wood-cutter's bill-hook from one James Rainbird, labourer, of Harston. According to the *Cambridge Chronicle*:

The prosecutor (Rainbird) stated that he went to the public house the "Three Horse-shoes" at Harston, for a bill which the landlord, who is a blacksmith, had made for him; the prisoners were present when he took the bill; prosecutor afterwards went to the 'Swan' public house and left the bill there, and went out; when he returned the bill was removed, and having been told that the prisoners had been there, he immediately went out and overtook them. Jude had the bill and as soon as he saw prosecutor he gave it to Sharpe, who afterwards dropped it, and prosecutor picked it up, saying they ought to be ashamed of themselves to rob a poor man of his bill.

The landlord of the *Three Horse-shoes* and a servant-girl from the *Swan* confirmed Rainbird's story and identified the culprits. Hervey was acquitted but Jude and Sharp were found guilty; in view of their prior convictions, both men were sentenced to be *severally transported for the term of their natural lives to such places beyond the seas as His Majesty with the advise of His Most Honorable Privy Council shall be pleased to direct.*⁴

In Henry's case transportation meant a one-way trip to Van Diemen's Land.⁵ He spent several months on the prison-hulks before being despatched from Portsmouth, with 292 fellow-convicts, on the *Barque Susan*, under the command of Captain Henry Neatby. Also on board was Thomas Griffiths Wainwright (1794 -1847), a notorious forger, art critic and possible multiple poisoner, whose exploits were later described by Dickens and Oscar Wilde. Captain Neatby was to describe the trip out to Australia as having been "long" and "foul", but given the rigours and hazards that characterised sea travel in the 1830s, it was probably no worse than most such voyages. Two sailors, one of them the first mate, were lost in a storm off the Cape of Good Hope, while one guard and six prisoners were buried at sea.⁶

The *Susan* arrived at Hobart Town on 21 November 1837 and dropped anchor near a passenger ship, the *Andromeda*. Years later, historian Henry Button, who had been a youthful passenger on the *Andromeda*, recalled that journey's end was not without eleventh-hour suspense for the two boats:

*Whilst we were lying there, a violent southerly gale sprang up: the two vessels dragged their anchors, and swinging around each other, their cables fouled, and for a considerable time both were in peril.*⁷

Henry's convict "career" was a rather chequered one. According to the Archives Office of Tasmania, which holds a detailed summary of his colonial experiences in its biographical files, he was convicted of drunkenness and insolence to a district constable in November 1839, and was sentenced to six months on a chain gang. He was granted a ticket-of-leave (at Antill Ponds) on 9 December 1845, only to have it revoked a few days later when he was given six months hard labour for possessing *a quantity of fresh killed mutton, representing himself as free and resisting the constables.*⁸ He gained a Conditional Pardon in January 1849, by which time he had been joined in the colony by his wife and children. (A second son, William, was born in 1848).⁹

The Sharp(e)s took up thirty-seven acres of land in the Huon district in the late 1840s. The 1851 census records them as living in an "unfinished wooden house" at Lightwood Bottom (later known as Geeveston) on the Kermadie River.¹⁰ They were thus among the first settlers in that part of Tasmania. (William and Susan Geeves, also natives of Cambridgeshire and relatives of

Sarah Sharp, had commenced clearing there in January 1850).¹¹ The Sharps subsequently established a successful orchard property known as "Honeywood Farm".

Sarah Sharp died in the early 1850s and Henry subsequently married Ann Henehan, a widow, at St Joseph's church, Hobart in July 1854. He ultimately outlived his second wife by two decades (Ann Sharp died at Geeveston on 10 March 1877), and he appears to have been a quite respected figure in the district (even something of a stalwart of the local Congregational Church). Obviously transportation for life was a grotesquely inappropriate penalty, out of all proportion to the very petty crimes he had committed in England, but the levelling nature of the frontier experience undoubtedly enabled Henry to make the best of his situation. In the long run he was able to live out his days in a degree of comfort, enduring long enough to see his great-grandchildren. His end, however, was perversely harrowing; according to the Hobart mercury:

A very painful accident happened to an old resident of this district ... on Friday, the 25th inst. It appears that Mr Sharp, who is almost helpless and nearly blind, in the absence of his household, attempted to reach a piece of wood to place it on the fire and in doing so he got too close to the fire and the flames caught his coat, waistcoat and shirt and burned his back terribly before assistance arrived. The burns are more serious than were first anticipated and little hopes are now entertained for his recovery. Dr Anderson of Franklin is attending the sufferer.

The old man lingered for eight days before dying on 3 April 1898. (Son Frederick died three months later)¹²

NOTES

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1. Newton Parish Records (held at the Shire Offices, Cambridge); *Victoria History of the Counties of England: Cambridge and the Isle of Ely*, Vol. 4, p.201; Vol. 8, pp.178-9, 189, 204-5; John & J.A. Venn, *Alumni Cantabrigienses*, Part 1, Vol. 6, p.50; Information from Kay Britcliffe, 30 April 1996
2. Newton Parish Records; *International Genealogical Index*
3. Cambridge County Court Records, July 1833 (Shire Offices, Cambridge); *Cambridge Chronicle*, 12 July 1833
4. Cambridge County Court Records, January 1837; *Cambridge Chronicle*, 14 January 1837
5. Members of the Sharp(e) family remained in the Newton district well into the twentieth century, as evidenced by names on gravestones in the churchyard and on the village War Memorial.
6. Robert Crossland, *Wainwright in Tasmania*, Melbourne, 1954, pp. 2-3.
7. Henry Button, *Flotsam and Jetsam*, Launceston 1909, p.40.
8. Archives Offices of Tasmania (AOT), Biographical File on 'Henry Sharp(e)'.
9. AOT Biographical File; *Tasmanian Pioneer Index*.
10. Also listed on the census was a convict servant, Robert Britcliffe, who subsequently married Henry's daughter Ann (Information from Kay Britcliffe).
11. AOT Biographical File. *The Cyclopaedia of Tasmania*, 1900, Vol. 1, p. 407, records that the Geeves family ... started in January 1850, to carve a home out of the primeval forest, and six

months later had established a little colony of 37 souls". Susan Geeves (née Worboys) was Sarah Sharp's younger sister. It seems likely that Sarah and her children travelled out to Van Diemen's Land with the Geeves family.

12. AOT Biographical File; Details from Henry Sharp's Death Certificate; Information from Kay Britcliff and Delma Dunstan; *The Mercury*, 30 March 1898.

The Knocknehona-Isolde Quintette

My maternal grandparents lived in Launceston from 1885 to 1897 and an intriguing studio portrait has been passed down to me. Five young ladies in evening gowns posed as if in a box at the theatre with fans and opera glasses. The gowns are decorated with bows and flowers and some ladies wear jewelled hair ornaments and bracelets. Abbreviated given names are written on the bottom of the mount and the title of this article on the top. The photographer is given as G.H. Lang, 306 Lygon Street, Carlton. The ladies names are "Luce", "Kass", "Mill", "Nell" (who appears to be Chinese) and "Clare".

I know that the Chin Kitt family owned a house named "Knock ne hona" in Frankland Street, Launceston until comparatively recently. Has anyone a similar photograph or can someone give any information on the Quintette? Contact Thelma Grunnell, 43 Salisbury Crescent, Launceston, Tasmania 7250.



Luce Kass

Mill

Nell

Clare

FROM THE EXCHANGE JOURNALS

Thelma McKay

"Know Your Parish - St Paul's Parish, Darlington" in *Cleveland Family History Society - South Durham/North Yorks* journal Vol. 6, No. 3, July 1995, pp.48-55. St Paul's Parish, Darlington was founded in 1868 for the many thousands of workers who moved to the area when the Stockton and Darlington Railway Company relocated their locomotive and repair workshops to a site in Darlington. Details of the availability of Parish Registers are given; also the dates for the earliest registers available for nine surrounding parishes.

"A British Army Source - For Your Information" in *Orange Family History* (Orange Family History Society) Spring 1995, p.12. A series of 156 films of War Office records are held at the Public Record Office (WO42/1-51) and contain many birth, baptism, death and marriage certificates from between 1776-1881. Widows' applications for army pensions, some containing records of deaths in India and the Mediterranean, can also be found on these records. Consult your nearest LDS Library for details from the Family History Catalogue to order these films.

Theatrical Records: *The Ancestor* (Genealogical Society of Victoria) Vol. 22, No. 7 has theatrical records as a theme for their Spring 1995 issue. As well as detailing records available at the Public Record Office in Victoria relating to early regulations of theatres, other articles outline different aspects such as Early Australian Film; the Performing Arts and Museum Collection and research Library; the role of Women in Early Australian Cinema; and well-known entertainers (1890-1915) The Corrick Family.

"Father Burton's Baptismal Books" in *Generation* (Genealogical Society of Queensland) Vol. 18, No. 1, September 1995, pp.8-11. A list of baptisms performed by Father Burton 1898-1918 has been located with the Registers of Southport, Queensland. However these baptisms took place in areas as far removed as Charleville, Toowoomba and Bundaberg. 200 names with date of baptism and place of birth are published in the journal - full details of the baptism are available for a fee. Write to GSQ, PO Box 8423, Woolloongabba, QLD 4102.

"Genealogical Sources on CD-ROM and the Web" by Elizabeth Estbergs in *The Ancestral Searcher* (The Heraldry & Genealogical Society of Canberra Inc), Vol. 11, No. 3, September 1995 issue pp.151-53. Genealogical sources available on the World Wide Web, one of the more accessible parts of Internet, can be combined with e-mail to enable family historians to expand their search for data. Elizabeth Estbergs describes in detail some of the American, English and New Zealand sources.

"Snippets-Royal Prince Alfred Hospital" compiled by Maree McKinley in *The Endeavour* (Botany Bay Family History Society), No. 44, September 1995, p.30. The Prince Alfred Hospital in Sydney opened in 1882 and records are held in their archives. The cost to have these records searched is \$30, (\$15 for pensioners) and proof of relationship is required. From 1910-1950 has been indexed.

"Jewish Research - Spotlight on the Speaker" by Merle Kavanagh, pp. 23-24 of the same issue of *The Endeavour*. Helen Bersten the Archivist with the Jewish Historical Society in NSW for seventeen years was the Botany Bay Society's guest speaker on records relating to tracing Jewish

ancestors. Where to find Jewish records in Australia and New Zealand, eg births, deaths, marriages, cemetery records and insolvency are mentioned.

"The British Commonwealth & Polish Air Services Personnel Archive" by Geoffrey Negus in *The Midlands Ancestor* (Birmingham & Midlands Society for Genealogy & Heraldry), Vol. 11, No. 1, September 1995, p.36. The aim of this project is to record all personnel who died whilst serving in the many different air services. The first stage is complete and includes the 30,000 buried or cremated in the British Isles, including the Republic of Ireland. The computer based entries include full name, location of burial or cremation, date of death, service number, rank, decorations, squadron, age at death, place of origin etc. Write to Geoffrey Negus, 2 Heathcote Avenue, Solihull, West Midlands B91 1QL and enclose SSAE or 2 IRC.

"Marriage Indexes - Burial Indexes" on pp. 14-16 of the same issue of *The Midlands Ancestor*. This issue advises readers of updated information on the following Indexes: Staffordshire Marriage Index 1538-1837 and Burial Index; Greater Birmingham Marriage Index 1776-1800 and 1800-1837 and Burial Index; Worcester Marriage Index 1701-1837; Warwickshire Rural Burial Index 1813-1837 and The Unrelated Certificates Index. New fees and contact addresses are given.

"The Fate of the First Fleet Marines" by Surgeon Lieutenant-Commander C J Smece RAN (ret'd) in *Descent* (Society of Australian Genealogists), Vol. 25, No. 3, September 1995, pp.126-134. A summary of the First Fleet Marines taken from various sources eg Marines who died before reaching NSW and in the early years of the settlement; land grants. Many returned home to England or transferred to another regiment and settled in Australia. A list of names is supplied with rank.

"Eighteenth Century Exchequer Records as a Genealogical Source" by Tony Trowles in the *Genealogists' Magazine* (Society of Genealogists), Vol. 25, No. 3, September 1995, pp.93-98. Exchequer records held at the Public Record Office in London contain a great deal of information useful for researching families. These include equity proceedings (natural justice in a case of law), bills of complaint which may contain names and addresses and occupation of next of kin. An explanation of these records with examples are given with references.

"Youth Migration - The Fisher Boy Apprentices of Grimsby 1870-1914" by Pamela Horn in *Genealogists' Magazine* (Society of Genealogists), September 1995, Vol. 25, No. 3, pp.99-105. This interesting article describes the working conditions of boys apprenticed to the fishing industry at Grimsby in England. These boys, numbering 2,000 in 1873, came from the workhouses and poor law unions. The references give an insight to the Union Minute Books, Parliamentary Reports and books on the subject of indentures to the fishing trade.

"FitzRoy's Legacy, The Examination of Masters, Mates and Engineers" by Denis Hampton in *The New Zealand Genealogist* (New Zealand Society of Genealogists), Vol. 26, No. 235, September/October 1995, pp.303-05. Captain Robert FitzRoy served for over twenty years in the Royal Navy. By August 1841 he was a Member of the British House of Commons. He introduced a Bill for all persons to undertake examinations before becoming Masters or Chief Mates on merchant ships. By 1850 it was compulsory to hold a certificate of competency. These records for British Masters, Mates and Engineers are held at the Public Record Office in London. Consult

"Tracing Your Ancestors in the Public Record Office" 4th edition, for description and indexes to these records.

"The Royal Commission on Historical Monuments of England" by Jocelyn Thornton in the same issue of *The New Zealand Genealogist*, pp.316-17. On a recent visit to England Jocelyn Thornton photographed a house in London believed to be where her great great grandfather lived in 1871. A visit to the National Monuments Record (NMR) Centre helped to identify the building from their collection. For information on buildings contact NMR Customer Services, National Monuments Record Centre, Kernble Drive, Swinton SN2 2GZ, UK. Records relating to buildings in London only, write to NMR Services, 55 Blandford Street, London W1H 3AF UK.

"Computer Indexing of Passengers into Australia for the Years 1880-1925" in *Progenitor* (Genealogical Society of the Northern Territory), Vol 14, No. 3, September 1995, p.66. This society has indexed at least 300,000 passenger arrivals in Australia during the period 1880 to 1925. Proof reading is in progress and the computerised index includes name, ship, country of origin and eventually will be for sale on CD-ROM, price to be decided on completion. The information has been gleaned from many sources and includes passengers to and from any interstate port. For information write to WAGS 6/48 May Street, Bayswater WA 6053. A small search fee is charged.

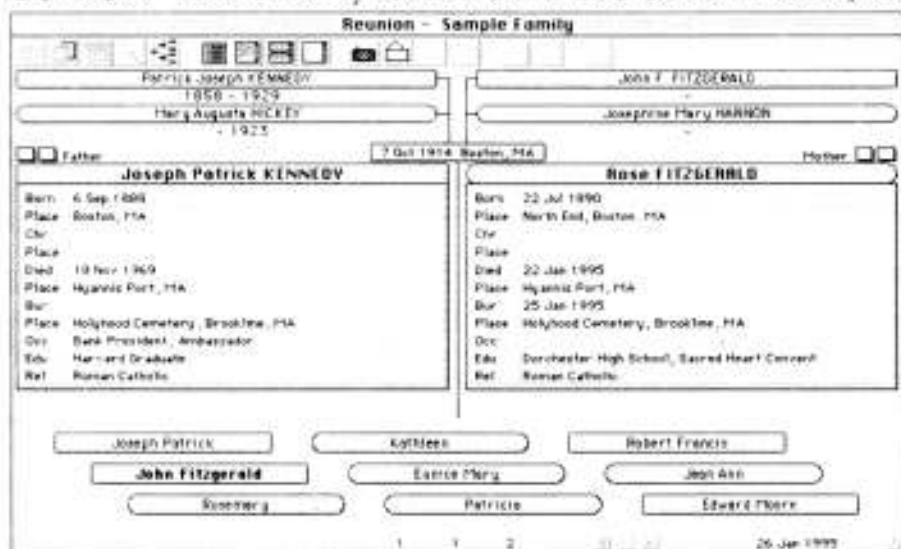
"The Wreck of the *Royal Charter*" by Elaine Kranjc in *The Pivot Tree* (Geelong Family History Group), No. 47, October 1995. Almost 500 passengers were on board the *Royal Charter* when she was lost in October 1859 while on her way from Queenstown, Victoria to Liverpool in England. Many of these passengers are listed, some with details on their movements in Australia, and names those that survived. The ship was also carrying gold valued at £1,500,000. NB in 1985 divers found gold and other items from the wreck of the *Royal Charter*.

"Starting a One-Name Study" by Bob Muchamore in *The South Australian Genealogist* (Genealogical Society of South Australia) Vol. 22, No. 4, October 1995, pp.20-26. An invaluable article for anyone contemplating starting a One-Name Study. The author details his experiences in building a data-base, extracting and organising data, source identification, secondary indexing and planning for the future.

"Spelling Variants of German Surnames in NSW Records" by Jenny Paterson in "Ancestry" (Burwood-Drummoyne & District Family History Group), Vol. 8, No. 3, November 1995, pp.8-11. This article is a continuation from Vol. 8, No. 2 on German names and searching for births, deaths and marriages on the NSW CD-ROM. Variants of German surnames are listed and points to remember when searching for German ancestors are given, plus location.

"Baptisms-Casino District 1842-55" in *The Crossing Place* (Casino & District Family History Group), No. 34, November 1995. A list of baptisms taken from the Church of England register of baptisms at Grafton; a copy is held by the Clarence River Historical Society at Grafton. Shows child's name, date of birth, date of baptism and place, father's name and occupation and the mother's name.

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GLEANINGS

New Projects

Index to news items, obituaries of WWII service personnel in *The Examiner* Sept 1939-1946,
Wendy Knowles

Index to News Items about WWI Service Personnel in *The Weekly Courier*, Wendy Knowles

Index to Tasmanian Deaths and Marriages 1900-1914

The Tasmanian Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages will be releasing in June 1996 indexes, on microfiche, to deaths and marriages registered in Tasmania between 1900 and 1914. Entries in the Index to Deaths contain the name of the person, year of registration of death, year of birth (as stated), registration district and registration number. Entries in the Index to Marriages contain the names of both parties, the year of marriage and the registration number.

The Indexes are available from the Registrar General, Box 198 GPO, Hobart, Tasmania 7001 at a cost of \$75. Purchasers of the previously released Index to Tasmanian Deaths 1900-1904 and Index to Tasmanian Marriages 1900-1909 have been contacted by the Registrar-General and are able to purchase the above indexes at a reduced cost.

Tasmanian Aboriginal Family History Research

Family Tree Research, is a registered body available, upon request, to assist those requiring help with Aboriginal Family History: Access is available, upon payment of a small fee, to a large amount of material compiled by them over a period of time. For further information contact Family Tree Research, RSD 554, Kimberley, Tasmania 7304, phone (004) 97 2173.

Gallipoli servicemen

Patrick Gariépy, a member of the Gallipoli Association, is in process of compiling a bibliographic register (for publication) of all British and Dominion servicemen who died during the Gallipoli campaign of 1915-1919 as well as those who died later as result of illness or wounds sustained there or while in Turkish captivity. In compiling his register, he is trying to include the following details about each man:

- Name and service number
- Company, battalion and regiment
- Places and dates of birth and enlistment
- Place of residence at the time of enlistment (to include street address)
- Names of parents (including mothers maiden name)
- Name of spouse and date of marriage
- Education and occupation(s)
- Previous military service
- Awards
- Date, place and circumstance of death
- Place of original burial and current resting place
- Places of commemoration

Any other interesting details regarding the individual i.e. relating to personality, physical stature, experiences etc.

Location of photographs (whether or not I am able to reproduce it) and sources of obituary

Anyone able to help should contact Patrick at 3966 Robin, Eugene OR 97402, USA He writes that in return for members' help he would be happy to do what he can to provide any information free of charge.

Photographs of War Graves

Are you interested in obtaining colour photographs of the graves of relatives who lost their lives in the First World War in Belgium and Northern France? Brian Thomas writes that his hobby is researching the Great War and for the last five years he has regularly visited the Cemeteries and Memorials to the Fallen in the Ypres area of Belgium down to the Somme in Northern France. For a small charge he offers to provide two colour photographs (one close-up and one general), information about the cemetery or memorial and a message in the Visitors Book. For further details send a SSAE or an International Reply Coupon to Brian Thomas, 8 Russell Drive, Wollaton, Nottingham, NG8 2BH.

Archives Office of New South Wales

If you are unable to use the Archives Office of New South Wales' *Genealogical Research Kit* (which is available at a number libraries and societies) or unable to visit either of their Search Rooms, the Archives Office of New South Wales offers the following research services:

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Shipping Research Service	

For further details on these services and an order form for each service, contact the Senior Archivist Research, Archives Office of New South Wales, 2 Globe Street, Sydney, NSW 2000, telephone (02) 237 0133.

Welsh Patagonian Family History Project

Ms Peta Roberts, the author of the recent genealogical index on the Welsh in Patagonia is jointly undertaking an oral history project with Dr Michele Langfield, an historian from Deakin University in Victoria. They will record and publish the oral histories and family connections of those Welsh Patagonians who came to Australia, and Deakin University is funding the project. If you are a Welsh Patagonian, are tracking down or know of your Welsh Patagonian "Australian Connections" you are welcome to participate in or inquire about the project, contact :

Peta Roberts: PO Box E60, Queen Victoria Terrace, ACT 2600, telephone/fax (06) 282 4050, email to epicon@ozemail.com.au

Michele Langfield: 72 Freeman Street, North Fitzroy, Victoria, telephone/fax (03) 9481 0443

The 1788-1820 Pioneer Association

The 1788-1820 Association was founded in 1968. It was formed to research, record, publicise and publish the history of those who arrived in Australia before 31 December 1788, and to unite the descendants of those pioneers. Members receive the Association's quarterly journal, *The 1788-1820 Pioneer Gazette* and receives discounts on Association publications. To join, an applicant must have one or more ancestors who arrived before 1821. For further details regarding membership contact the Secretary, PO Box 57 Croydon, NSW 2132.

Nineteenth Century Portlanders

Dr Rodney Stone's ancestors all came from the Island of Portland situated just off the coast of Dorset. The majority of them were quarrymen, fishermen or farmers and because Portland had been a Royal manor since Saxon times, few outsiders had ever settled there. His ancestors migrated to Australia and New Zealand in the nineteenth century.

It is his intention to write and publish an account of the Portlanders settlement and contribution to their respective communities in the Antipodes and he is seeking information about any Portland migrant. The following families were prominent on the island prior to 1780 and many settled in Victoria, Tasmania, New South Wales and later in Western Australia: Attwooll, Comben, Elliott, Flew, Gibbs, Hansford, Lano, Pearce, Schollar, Scriven, Stone and White. The only convict was Samuel Norster transported for life in May 1835 aboard the *Bardaster* to Van Diemen's Land and who was last traced to the Port Arthur Settlement in 1840. Any traces, links or mention of their original places of settlement would be most welcome.

All replies will be gratefully acknowledged and if related to Portlanders an outline of their ancestry will be provided. Dr Stone's address is Little Chewton, Askerswell, Near Dorchester, Dorset DT2 9EW.

The Scots in Australia

Jim Hewitson, a freelance writer, writes seeking assistance with a book project which he is currently researching on the impact of the Scots and their descendants on the development of Australia. Mr. Hewitson has already published a book on the Scots in America. He is particularly interested in any Scottish contribution from the earliest days of Australian settlement to the present day. It need not be someone in high public office but simply an immigrant Scot who preached, taught, nursed operated a farm, surveyed a railroad, dug for gold, ran a grocery store or whatever. The more interesting, amusing or offbeat the better. If you are able to provide information to Mr Hewitson, please contact him at: School Place, Papa Westray, Orkney, Scotland KW17 2BU.

British Isles Genealogic Register (BIG R) 1997

The Federation of Family History Societies is to produce a second issue of the BIG R and invites members to register the names that they are researching in the British Isles. Names included in the BIG R (1994) will not be included unless they are re-registered. A form for registering names for this project is included with this issue of *Tasmanian Ancestry*. The cost of registering names is £1.00 per form (16 names). Australians may pay by sending the equivalent in UK postage stamps or Australian dollar bills (\$5 for up to two forms). All forms should be forwarded to reach the United Kingdom before 1 November 1996.

FAMILY REUNION

Viney Family

On Sunday, 3 March 1994 a most enjoyable day was held at the Rosevale Hall and Sports Ground when nearly 200 people gathered for the first get together of Viney descendants. It was an opportunity for many to meet for the first time, to speak with people they had previously corresponded with and to view family photographs, charts and memorabilia. Many had travelled from other states of Australia and others from all around Tasmania.

The following day a small group visited "Clarendon" and "Fernhill" properties. They went on to Fingal to lunch in the grounds of the old "Tasmania Hotel" then inspected the rooms there and the restoration work. A few streets away is "Somerton", the old home of Roger Viney, and the owners graciously made the group most welcome in the house and gardens. A stop at the Fingal cemetery to view and photograph old family graves completed the trip, a few hilarious moments as a fence had to be scrambled through (mostly barbed wire) along with a wide deep ditch to be negotiated (luckily no water in it on that particular day).

Following the reunion a meeting of interested people was held on the 18 May and a committee formed with the intention of compiling a book on the Viney family (in the United Kingdom, Tasmania, Victoria South Australia and any connections). Bruce Viney was elected chairman, Bev Perkins, secretary and Noel Viney, treasurer.

A-get-together of Viney family members interested in meeting MALCOLM and JENNIFER JONES from NOTTINGHAM, England will be held on Saturday, 22 July at the Uniting Church Hall, Hagley from 10.00 a.m. onwards. Please bring along photos and charts for them to see.

You are also asked to bring either sandwiches, savouries or slice for lunch to be shared. Soup, tea and coffee will be provided. RSVP by 19 July 1996 to Bev (003) 39 1270, Phyllis (003) 96 6113 or Margaret (003) 92 2209.

COMING EVENTS

- 11 August 1996 Launceston Historical Society meeting: "Family Life around the Saw Mill in the 1920s" by Mrs Eileen Timperon followed by Ross Smith showing a selection of slides on saw-milling etc from the collection in the Community History Museum. To be held at the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery theatre, commencing at 2.30 p.m.
- 13 August 1996 THRA meeting: "Social Disobedience and Popular Music in Tasmania" by Mr Phil Grinham at the Royal Society Room in the Custom House, Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Macquarie Street, Hobart starting at 8.00 p.m.
- 30 Aug-1 Sept 1996 "A Taste of Yorkshire" - the Federation of Family History Societies Conference, hosted by the Doncaster and District Family History Society at High Melton College, Doncaster. For further information contact Mrs J.E. Grundy, 33 Beech Road, Wath-upon-Deerne, Rotherham, S63 7AN, UK.
- 10 September 1996 THRA meeting: "From Cray Rings to Closure: Aspects of the Tasmanian Fishing Industry to circa 1970" by Mr Peter Storey the Royal Society Room in the Custom House, Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Macquarie Street, Hobart starting at 8.00 p.m.
- 8 October 1996 THRA meeting: "Tasmanian Aboriginality: A Non-Aboriginal Perspective, Mrs Patricia Ratcliffe at the Royal Society Room in the Custom House, Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Macquarie Street, Hobart starting at 8.00 p.m.
- 12 November 1996 THRA meeting: "Claims of the Colony: The Dispute Between the Tasmanian and British Governments over the Port Arthur Penal Establishment 1856-1877", Dr Stefan Petrow at the Royal Society Room in the Custom House, Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Macquarie Street, Hobart starting at 8.00 p.m.
- 6-9 February 1997 "Landfall in Southern Seas" - the Eighth Australasian Congress on Genealogy and Heraldry, hosted by the New Zealand Society of Genealogists Branches in the Canterbury Area under the auspices of AFFHO, is to be held at Christchurch, New Zealand.

BOOK REVIEWS

One Acre of Van Diemen's Land, by Jenny Evans, Foolscape, 54pp.

The author is a GST (VDL and Norfolk Island Interest Group) member living in Victoria and this is the story of her convict ancestors Mark Carter and Henry Selwyn. Entertainingly readable, the book is well written, using extensive background material, convincingly descriptive of the era and appropriately interwoven with current events, political and social, in England and the colonies, from Norfolk Island to Clarence Plains. The author would like to hear from any other descendants of these two men who may be willing to collaborate on further stories of the Clarence Plains settlers.

Although I found the stories really interesting and the bibliography good, I feel the inclusion of an index would have made it so much easier to find references to the countless names of people involved in the lives of these two men. Then, in addition to many fascinating stories, this would serve as a good reference book.

Family History News and Digest - Microfiche of Digest Section, Vols 1, 2 and 3 (1977-1982), with Name Indexes. Price £1 plus £1 p&p overseas airmail from the Editor of the Digest Section, Family History News & Digest, FFHS, c/o The Benson Room, Birmingham & Midland Institute, Margaret Street, Birmingham, B3 3BS, England.

Quite some time could be spent on browsing through the two fiche comprising this index of articles, etc. appearing in various publications published by FFHS member societies. Each of the three sections, relating respectively to the three volumes dealt with, contains an abstract of articles, booklets and books with details of origin.

Place names are listed county by county in the first part of the index and the second part contains surnames. Many of the publications referred to can be found in our own Society's branch libraries.

Computers in Genealogy, Beginners' Handbook, published by the Society of Genealogists, 14 Charterhouse Buildings, Goswell Road, London EC1A 7BA, England, various contributors, A5, soft cover, 66pp.

The title is self-explanatory and this book contains a wealth of information on computers, printers, family history programmes, shareware, etc. and a section on jargon (in computer language familiar words often mean something totally different). Simply worded wherever possible, if placed next to the computer it would be frequently referred to by family historians like me, who are somewhat reluctantly entering this new, mysterious and daunting world of computers.

My Ancestors were Londoners: how can I find out more about them?, Clive Webb, published by the Society of Genealogists, 4 Charterhouse buildings, Goswell Road, London, ECM 7BA, soft cover, 64pp., price £3.55

London research can be very difficult and here we have a great deal of helpful information relating to all of the usual main sources, from the General Register office to manorial and legal records, all of which are briefly but succinctly separately dealt with. Appendix 1 contains a list of the large number of London record repositories.

Appendix 2 tabulates all London parishes, showing the appropriate county, hundred, registration district, metropolitan borough, London borough, Probate district and local history society. Notes to Appendix 23 are by way of further clarification, e.g. Note 22 (against the entry for Norwood, Middlesex) reads *In addition to the Middlesex parish, there is a part of the ancient county of Surrey called Norwood. Part of this area was in Lambeth and was made separate parish in 1825.* Finding this kind of information is often extremely time consuming but here we have it in one small book.

Appendix 3 lists substantial places which were not ancient parishes, keyed to their ancient parish(es), again with further comments. The book ends with two maps showing respectively the City of London and metropolitan Boroughs 1900-1965 and the City of London and London Boroughs 1965-.

Internet for Genealogy, written and published by David Hawgood, A5, soft cover, 24pp., available from Family Tree Magazine, 61 Great Whyte, Ramsey, Huntingdon, Cambs., PE17 1HL, England, Price £2.16 overseas surface mail, air mail £1 extra (Visa and Mastercard accepted).

After becoming computer literate, the next step is the Internet. Here we are shown what we as genealogists can access through its use, with examples and addresses.

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Allen/Connors

James Allen married Ellen Connors at Westbury 30/9/1850. Known surviving children - John, Cornelius and Honora. Any information on these persons and descendants is sought by a New Zealand member visiting Tasmania in the near future. Contact R.V. Emirali, Box 1354 Lindsfarne, Tasmania 7015

Ayliffe/Churchill

John AYLIFFE, (born 7 August 1799 at Highworth, Wiltshire, England), convict, transported to Van Diemen's Land in 1836 per Asia 4, he was assigned to the Evandale area, Conditional pardon granted in 1846, he died at Lymington on 18 October 1872. He married (?) Mary Jane CHURCHILL, date unknown. Known issue: Mary Ann AYLIFFE (born circa 1854/55, Hobart Town, Tasmania, married William Patterson BUCK, 1872, Newcastle, New South Wales) and Harriet AYLIFFE (born circa 1855 Tasmania, married Hugh James McALISTER 1871, Moruya, New South Wales). Nothing is known about Mary Jane CHURCHILL. Further details is sought about her and any other children from this union by Barbara Snel, 2999A Burraneer Bay Road, Caringbah, New South Wales, 2229. Also sought are any details of John AYLIFFE's life while in Tasmania and contact with any descendants.

Bonney/Bennett

William H. BONNEY (born 13 October 1859), married Alice Amelia BENNETT (born 19 March 1858) at Deloraine in 1880. Children were: Ernest (1881); Alma (1883); Harold Arthur (1886); James (1887, dec); Albert (1888); Lindsey (1891); Ada (1893); Selina (1895) Amelia Mary Ann (1898); Lena and Dot. Amelia (Millie) came to Victoria early 1920 and married David Lindsay CHEYNE. Children were: David Leonard (1925) and Alice Amelia (1926). There was also a son, Cyril, born 1916-1923 to Amelia who was brought up by his grandmother. Amelia died in Morwell, Victoria in 1939. Mrs. Alice Pattison would like descendants of William and Alice Bonney to make contact. She longs to meet half/brother and his descendants. She would also like information on James BENNETT who married Mary Ann BONNEY at Launceston in 1852. Contact Mrs Pattison at 104 James Cook Drive, Endeavour Hills, Victoria 3802.

Crumpton

David Reibelt is looking for information on Thomas and Eliza CRUMPTON who lived in the Black Brush/Green Ponds area. Ellen's maiden name was ROBINSON and they had three children: Thomas (born circa 1833); John (circa 1839) and Mary Ann (circa 1840). In 1842 Thomas was the head of a household of nine other people and had a wooden house in the Black Brush. One of these people held a Ticket of Leave. The family moved to Sydney before 1860.

Please help if you can and contact David at c/- Advance Bank, Level 10 35 Pitt Street, Sydney New South Wales 2000.

Escott/Siderfin

Mary ESCOTT married Thomas SIDERFIN in 1815, possibly in Somerset, England. Mary and Thomas had several children and while living at Knowle Farm, Wooton Courtney, Somerset, a daughter Mary married Thomas REID. Mary ESCOTT was born in 1879. Some more details on the ESCOTT family would be appreciated by Mrs Julie Llewellyn (3301), 11 Corinth Street, Howrah, Tasmania 7018, telephone (002) 47 9699.

Hart/Charlton

John HART from county Cork, Ireland arrived in Hobart on the ship Conway in October 1855 with his wife Julie and two daughters, Ellen (8 years) and Johanna (5 years). In 1877 Johanna married John Augustine CHARLTON who at age 14 had come with his family from Girvan, Scotland also on the Conway in 1855. Any information on this family would be appreciated by Carlene Charlton Box (1396), PO Box 505, Ulverstone, Tasmania 7315.

Howard

Hannah HOWARD arrived in Van Diemen's Land at the age of 33 per Australasia in 1855 with her husband David and two children, David George (aged 7) and Mary Ann (aged 3). Two further children were born: George John (1856) and Hannah Eliza (1857). A David HOWARD was found drowned in the Derwent in 1859 and this is believed to be Hannah's husband. Julie Stevens is seeking details of Hannah HOWARD after this time. Did she marry? Did she move interstate or overseas? Her sons, David and George, migrated to New Zealand, her daughter Mary Ann to Victoria. Was the David HOWARD drowned her husband? All information would be greatly appreciated by Julie Stevens, 33 Davidson Street, Traralgon, Victoria, 3844, telephone (03) 9813 2282.

Read

George Frederick READ married Mary Sophia. They lived at Hobart in 1843 and 1849. In 1860 they were at Launceston. Profession clerk. Known issue:- Julia Eliza (born pre-1843) and Jessie Sophia (born 18 September 1843, baptised 6 August 1849 St David's Cathedral, Hobart). Any information on George or Mary greatly appreciated by Mrs. G. Dawson (371), 3 Adams Street, George Town, Tasmania 7253.

Smith: Orphan to Bank Manager

Thomas Sinclair SMITH was born in Hobart in 1839. His father, also Thomas Sinclair SMITH, was a builder. His mother, Susannah NORTON, was born in London and came to Hobart on the Lotus with her first husband, William HURST, in 1831. William died in 1832. Thomas, Sr., and Susannah married in 1836 and had two children, Thomas and Eliza, before both dying of consumption in 1844. How Thomas or Eliza were raised is unknown. Thomas was a farmer at Richmond when he married Catherine DEVITT in 1861. He was a bank manager at the time of his daughter's marriage in 1885. Any information appreciated by C. Mackie, 74 Hamlet Street, Annerley, Queensland 4103.

Smith/Trebilcock

Shirley L. Stevenson (3038) is seeking descendants of Leslie John Smith and Emma Trebilcock married in 1907 at Ulverstone, Tasmania. She believes there was a son, Cameron, and a daughter, Isabelle, who married Ted Hannon and had one daughter. Any information to Shirley at 13 Marrah Drive, Wy Yung, Bairnsdale Vic 3875, telephone (051) 52 6110.

Wackeldine/Blumme/Meredith

Joyce Helle, 348 East Fulton Street, Farmington, Illinois, USA 61531 is seeking information on her great great grandparents, Conrad Albert WACKELDINE (a.k.a BLUMME), believed born in Germany, and his wife, Jane Matilda MEREDITH, born in Hobart, daughter of William MEREDITH and Anne. Conrad and Anne were married at Launceston in June 1859. They has seven children born in Launceston, Hobart, Horton and Port. Conrad was a musician and an overseer at Port Arthur. Jane and her children immigrated to New Zealand around 1880.

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- 4052 Mrs Sharon J Woods, 11 Barnard Crescent, Burnie, Tas 7320
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- 4053 Mr Ralph H Crabtree, RSD 650 Gawler, Tas 7315
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- 4083 Mrs Patricia Lansdell, 25 Pitten Crief, Riverside, Tas 7250
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- 4084 Mr Ronald A. Mallett, 2/16 Home Street, Invermay, Tas 7248
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- 4087 Mrs Jill Ashdown, 16 Kensington Gardens, Launceston, Tas 7250
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- 4091 Mr Christopher M. Johnson, 22 Beddome Street, Sandy Bay, Tas 7005
- 4092 Janice M. Willmott, 1/157 Tolosa Street, Glenorchy, Tas 7010
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- 4093 Maurice W. Appleyard, 10 Bass Street, Warrane, Tas 7018
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- 4094 Graeme D. McGuire, 93 Bass Street, Warrane, Tas 7018
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- 4099 Mrs Phyllis Pinches, 15 Dorset Road, Heathcote, NSW 2233
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- 4108 Mrs Jean P. Paton, 51 Richard Street, Bridport, Tas 7262
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- 4109 Christine M. Dilworth, 42 Emma Street, Bridport, Tas 7262
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Tas); OAKLEY (Longford, Tas); NEALE (Launceston, Tas); SHAWHNESSY
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- 4111 Mr Ian M. Sale, 56 Taroua Crescent, Taroua, Tas 7053
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LUTTRELL (Tas); DAWSON (Tas)
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- 4126 Miss Catherine P. Shea, 262 Carella Street, Howrah, Tas 7018
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Sussex, Eng)
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- 4165 Mrs Hazel E. Tyne, RDF 85 Loop Road, Glengarry, Tas 7275
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- 4166 Mr Lloyd J. Murphy, 103 Viewbank Road, Newnham, Tas 7248
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- 4167 Mrs Claire E. Murphy, 103 Viewbank Road, Newnham, Tas 7248
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- 4190 Mrs Janette I. Barker, RSD 617, Staverton, Tas 7306
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