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Editorial

Welcome to the first issue of *Tasmanian Ancestry* under the society's new name—Tasmanian Family History Society Inc. and thank you to Huon Branch for supplying the material for the final in our series celebrating the 21st birthday of our society. It is interesting to look back over the past year and see the variety of articles that the branches have supplied.

Thank you also to those members, many from interstate, who have sent entries for the 'My Most Interesting Ancestor' Award. We have received nineteen entries.

I have agreed to remain as editor until the completion of this volume and I hope that during this time we will be able to catch up on the backlog of articles received that were either not suitable for a particular area or couldn't be squeezed in.

The September issue is expected to be convict based so if you have something you think will be of interest please send it in. Hobart Branch Library committee member, Marjorie Jacklyn, is preparing a list of all convict records held in the library.

Kate Ramsay has been steadily working on an index of the first twenty years of *Tasmanian Ancestry* and has now reached the proof reading stage. As it nears completion I often find myself wishing I had a copy sitting next to the computer. It will be an invaluable resource and we shall no doubt be thanking her for years to come.

Unfortunately I was unable to attend the 'Coming of Age' weekend conference so I am now looking forward to the AGM at Campbell Town. See you there!

Rosemary Davidson

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Cover photograph: The Delaney and Cox families at Cox's Shellwood Cottage in 1894. See page 15 this issue.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ON 1 April, in accordance with the Rule change passed at the Annual General Meeting in June 2000, the name of the Society was changed to the Tasmanian Family History Society. This issue of *Tasmanian Ancestry* marks the beginning of a new phase in the life of the Society, being the first to be published under the new name.

Allied to the change in name was the introduction of a revamped web site at a new web address <www.tasfhs.org> and new email addresses for both the journal editor <editor@tasfhs.org> and the secretary <secretary@tasfhs.org>. Thanks to Peter Cocker for organising the purchase of the domain name through Southern Internet Services. The new address is shorter and much easier to type than the old one and should be easier to remember. Thanks also to Henry Bartlett for constructing the web site, which contains information about the Society, membership, Society Publications, the journal, Lilian Watson Family History Award and TAMIOT. There are links to the three branches that have their own web site and addresses and phone contacts for the two that don't. Use this site as a quick reference for any information about the Society.

From my own observations and comments made by those attending the 'Coming of Age' conference, in Launceston over the March long weekend, the conference was a great success. Members from as far away as Western Australia and New Zealand travelled to Launceston to attend.

Participants at the conference were privileged to hear speakers of the highest calibre give a series of very interesting and informative addresses and workshops. The quality of the presentations was evidenced by the questions at the end of each session, the applause given to each speaker

and the conversations between members at every break in the proceedings.

An excellent venue, superb catering and a friendly atmosphere all contributed to a most enjoyable three days. Three branches had stalls at the conference and there were displays from the National Archives in Hobart and the Menzies Centre.

During the afternoon tea break on Saturday, Margaret McKenzie cut the twenty-first birthday cake—a decorated black forest cake. Margaret is one of the very early members of the Launceston branch, having been a member for twenty-one years.

Saturday night saw nearly sixty people enjoy a celebratory meal at Woofies Restaurant, Macquarie House and listen to Ross Peddlesden's entertaining talk on his experiences with the ABC and particularly on talkback radio. Ross currently works out of the ABC's Launceston studio and hosts a talkback program with Nick Vine Hall.

The whole weekend flowed without a hitch. Many hours of work went into organising the weekend and I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank the Launceston members on the organising committee (Betty Bissett, Muriel Bissett, Barry Robinson, Helen Stewart and Anita Swan) for running a very well organised weekend. Thanks also to all those other members of the Launceston Branch who assisted the committee in some way in the running of the conference. Thank you to all members who spent part of their weekend at the Conference. Without your attendance and active participation the weekend could not have been a success.

Commemorative drinking glasses (tumblers and two sizes of stemmed

glasses) were available for purchase at the Conference. Those remaining unsold will be available for purchase at the Annual General Meeting at Campbell Town on 23 June.

I hope as many as possible will make the effort to attend this year's Annual General Meeting. This will be Professor Michael Roe's final function as Patron of the Society. I would like, on behalf of all members of the Society, to thank him for all that he has done for the Society and wish him well for the future.

At the Annual General Meeting Professor Roe will be presenting certificates to members who have twenty-one years of continuous membership. Many of the fifty-seven members in this category have already indicated that they will be attending the meeting. Although this will be one of Michael's last official duties as Patron, I sincerely hope that this will not be the end of his association with the Society. I am looking forward to seeing him around in the future.

This is my last message as State President. For the past four years I have had the privilege of being the head of the Society. I have enjoyed the experience of working with the Executive Officers and members of Executive Committee and the challenges the task has presented. It has not always been plain sailing. In an organisation as large as the Society you are bound to get differences of opinion, sometimes passionately held. I am grateful for the support and most valuable advice I have received from the Vice Presidents and Past Presidents when I needed it.

Thank you for having me as President; I feel honoured to have had the privilege.

Finally my best wishes to the incoming President and his Executive. ●

Anne Bartlett

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with Rule 14, that the

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of the

**Genealogical Society of
Tasmania Inc.**

is to be held on

Saturday, 23 June 2001

Town Hall, Campbell Town

commencing at 1.30 p.m.

Voting is restricted to financial members of the Society and a current membership card may be required as proof of membership.

AGENDA

- 1 Welcome
- 2 Apologies
- 3 Presentation of the 2001 'Lilian Watson Family History Award'
- 4 Presentation of Special Awards
- 5 Presentation of Certificates to those who have completed 21 years continuous membership of GST Inc.
- 6 Farewell to retiring Patron, Emeritus Professor Michael Roe
- 7 Read and Confirm minutes of the 2000 AGM
- 8 Business Arising
- 9 Reports
- 10 Election of Office Bearers and Endorsement of Branch Delegates
- 11 General Business:
 - i Notice of Motion 1: That the Executive Committee's action in judging and voting on the 3 Fellowship Nominations in June 2000, after the Special Awards Committee had approved them on 17/5/2000, be declared invalid as the Rules and/or By-Laws at the time did not empower the Executive Committee to take this action. Proposer M L Smith, Seconder J Dare.
 - ii Notice of Motion 2: That the Fellowship Nominations approved by the Special Awards Committee on 17/5/2000 be endorsed. Proposer M L Smith, Seconder J Dare.
 - iii 2002 Annual General Meeting, Tasmanian Family History Society Inc.

Anne Bartlett PRESIDENT

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF TASMANIA INC.

Pat Harris (Member No. 97)

ABOUT the time of the formation of the Australian Federation of Family History Organisations in 1977, the Australian Institute for Genealogical Studies in Melbourne decided to sponsor the formation of a genealogical society in Tasmania. With a number of people already members of AIGS and some members of the Latter Day Saints Church, a meeting was called for all interested people to attend. A seminar was held at Rosny College in 1978 and another in 1981. Lilian Watson was the mainstay of the society, being the first president and the first librarian when GST was officially formed in April 1980. Lilian and Neil Chick began a campaign to have the Registrar General's Department release the pre 1900 Tasmanian Birth, Death and Marriage records for public access at the State Library of Tasmania. This was achieved by July 1980 and was the forerunner to the other Australian states following suit with the release of their indexes. Lilian and Neil also produced several information leaflets to assist researchers.

The journal of the society, *Tasmanian Ancestry*, first appeared in June 1980, with Pam Clarke as editor. Pam was followed by Neil Chick, Audrey Hudspeth, Anne Bartlett and now Rosemary Davidson. The issue for June 1997 won the Elizabeth Simpson Award from the Federation of Family History Societies for the best journal for that year. The June 1996 issue had been runner-up the previous year.

Members' Interests lists first appeared as a loose-leaf section in each journal and from 1991 as a series of books. They are now also produced as microfiche. Much of this work has been done by Allen Wilson and Denise McNeice.

The library began at the home of Lilian Watson and moved to the Percy Street rooms in January 1986 with Theo Sharples as librarian.

The first AGM was held 22 April 1980 and a Constitution was adopted 21 October 1980. By the end of 1980, Launceston and Burnie branches had been formed. Devonport followed mid 1981 and Huon mid 1984. In September 1981, discussions were held to change the Constitution to allow branches to have equal rights. This was finally achieved and Hobart became a branch early in 1982, retaining the library and the base for the exchange journals. The remaining branches had their own libraries and a rotation of exchange journals was put in place. A state executive was formed to manage the society as a whole, meeting quarterly at Campbell Town. The executive was to be made up of office bearers and two delegates from each branch. Coordinators were to be appointed as necessary to oversee different portfolios within branches, i.e. research, TAMIOT, libraries, exchange journals, publications, sales etc.

In 1987, it was decided to have an optional format for the AGM in June each year, just a meeting or a weekend seminar. The first of the seminars was hosted by Launceston

Branch in 1987. Since then hosting has rotated around the branches. The society became an incorporated body in 1986 with Jim Wall as Public Officer. Denise McNeice now holds this office.

A Family History Award was instigated in 1982 to encourage researchers to print the results of their efforts. In 1998, this award was renamed the Lilian Watson Family History Award in honour of our first recipient of a Fellowship of the Genealogical Society of Tasmania Inc.

In 1985 Neil Chick put forward the proposal to produce a *Van Diemens Land Heritage Index*. Volume 1 appeared in 1989 and is now at Volume 4 with one more volume to be published.

The Sixth Australasian Congress was allocated to GST Inc. and hosted by Launceston Branch in May 1991. At this event, GST Inc. launched the first microfiche edition of our TAMIOT Index and also the book, *Local and Family History Sources in Tasmania* compiled and edited by Anne Bartlett. The TAMIOT Index had been produced from branch records by Villy Scott. The second edition of both these publications has since been produced. The second edition of TAMIOT was produced in 1999 with Betty Calverly as Coordinator and Anne's book was published in 1994.

A name change was passed at the 2000 Annual General Meeting when it was agreed to adopt the title Tasmanian Family History Society Inc., to become effective as from 1 April 2001.

Now, as we celebrate our 21st year we can look back with pride on the achievements of the society and look forward with enthusiasm to the future. ●

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As I write this article, branches are busy planning AGMs and the inevitable shuffle for office bearers, now all filled for this year at least. A few members

each year give up their time for the good of their branch and the Society and I would encourage all members to become involved, whether it be with library duty or on the committee. Your time given will be rewarded over and over as you get to know your way around very quickly and get to see what's new first hand.

Our February meeting was a Members Interest Night and roll call with a very encouraging attendance. In March we discussed Computers and Family History and Peter Cocker showed the newest *Family Tree Maker*. The branch has taken on the Tasmanian distributor-ship on behalf of Victorian GUM Magazine and have for sale *Family Tree Maker 8*, Upgrades to Version 8 and also *Brothers Keeper*. Following the AGM in April members shared their family connections with WW1.

Our daytime meetings, held on the first Monday each month continue to be well attended. The March meeting was a 'Get to know your Library' session and in April, Isobel and David Harris spoke on Research in New Zealand. New members are particularly encouraged to attend these meetings as they are very informal

with plenty of time for research and help is available with queries.

In the March journal there was a list of recipients of Certificates of Appreciation, presented to long serving Library Volunteers. Unfortunately Shirley Kelly was missed, so congratulations Shirley! There are so many people who have helped our branch over the years, the possibility of missing names when these awards are given is inevitable.

The Zeehan and Dundas Herald BDMs are in the final stages of editing and expected to be in print by May.

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Activities for the year commenced in January with the monthly meeting being held at Sheffield. Everyone met at the Sheffield

Hotel, where a counter meal was enjoyed, followed by a visit to the Kentish Museum when members were able to browse around the extensive displays, or make use of the variety of records pertaining to the Sheffield area. Several members were thrilled to find some new pieces of information not available from other sources.

Joyce Purtscher was the guest speaker at the February meeting. Her topic dealt with research at the Archives Office of Tasmania and she made members aware of the great variety of information available for general research. She also

drew attention to some of the lesser known holdings in other collections.

The March meeting commenced with a short business session, followed by an open discussion time and library research.

During Family History Week in March, an eye-catching display of memorabilia was displayed in the foyer of the Lyons Library. A successful beginners' class was also conducted in the Branch Library.

As last year's sausage sizzle at the Coles K-Mart complex was such a success, further days have been planned for 5 May and 7 July. Regular computer sessions are held at the Online Access Centre. The next booking has been made for 19 June.

In the March Journal an error was made in reporting the cost of *An Index to the Advocate—Personal Announcements 1999*. This volume is available from the Branch Library for \$15.00. Apologies for any inconvenience this error has caused. It is anticipated that another volume in the *In Loving Memory* series will be published by June. This latest volume will be the full transcription of the headstones in the Devonport General Cemetery.

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Congratulations to the organising committee for a most successful Conference over the long weekend in March. It provided the opportunity to meet and chat with fellow members and visitors from other branches. The speakers each

day were varied and interesting and the catering arrangements were excellent. Well done team!

Most members will be aware that our society was formed twenty-one years ago in Hobart. A special afternoon tea to celebrate our Branch's 21st birthday will be held at Laetare Gardens, Moonah on Sunday, 16 September. All current Hobart members, old and new, will find an invitation in this journal. We do hope this happy event will be welcomed as an opportunity to catch up with friends as we commemorate our 'coming of age'. If any member has memorabilia (e.g. photos) suitable for display, please contact our secretary so that arrangements can be made to make copies etc.

At our March General Meeting, a Branch Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Mrs Mary Dunn in recognition of her many years' service to the society. Mary first joined in 1984 and soon after took on the responsibility of accessioning the exchange journals and distributing them to the branches, continuing in this role for several years. In 1986 Mary also began cataloguing all books purchased for, or donated to, our library, and she cheerfully carried on with this task for the next 14 years.

At the April Library Committee Meeting, Coralie Mesecke was presented with a copy of her published index to *Convict Applications to bring families to VDL (also NSW, SA & VIC) 1827-1873*. We sincerely thank Coralie for all her hard work and her generosity in donating her database to the branch. The index is proving most popular, and will be of considerable financial benefit to the branch. (See page 30)

Special sessions for new branch members are planned for the last Saturday in July and October from 11.30-12.30. This is an opportunity for

beginners and other new members to learn more about our resources and receive specialised assistance with their research problems. It would help if people intending to take advantage of one of these sessions could advise our Secretary prior to the day, so that a sufficient number of helpers can be arranged.

Recently a second-hand microfiche reader/printer was kindly donated to the branch library by John Abbott Business Machines, providing a most welcome back-up to our other reader/printer. Our two computers in the library continue to be well patronised, attributable to our ever-growing list of available genealogical material on CD.

General Meetings—held at Rosny Library, Bligh Street, Rosny at 8.00 p.m.

19 June—*Photographs—Who's who? The way they did their hair.* Alison Melrose.

17 July—*The transport of delight: Tasmania's railways.* Graham Clements.

21 August—*Collecting East Coast History.* Judie Hastie.

18 September—*A Tasmanian life; the story of three pioneer families who settled on the Macquarie River.* Ken von Bibra.

Other events:

5 August—Welsh, Irish, Scottish & English (WISE) Research Interest Group—Bellerive Arts Centre, 2.00 p.m. All welcome.

25 August—Special session for new members 11.30–12.30 at our Library. Please advise secretary.

16 September—21st Birthday Afternoon Tea at Laetare Gardens.

4th Wednesday of each month Computer Group meets at 7.30 p.m.—use car park entrance. All welcome.

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The first quarter of 2001 has been very busy for the Branch Committee. A particularly involved process was the acquisition and preparation of local contributor's material for this issue

featuring articles about the Huon district. The work of all contributors is appreciated. Other activities have involved state committee work, including attendance at the quarterly Campbell Town meeting and the very well organised *Coming of Age* conference.

The Library was very pleased to receive a donation of microfiche from a Victorian visitor to the Library in February. The fiche are indices of a number of Victorian cemeteries—Ballarat District, Keilor, Trafalgar and Bendigo. Also donated was a two-volume history of the Brennan family.

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The Launceston Branch was delighted to welcome Mrs Jenny Mayne of New Zealand, to speak at the March Meeting. Jenny gave an interesting overview of researching in New Zealand and the records



available. As a result of this meeting, plans are in place to expand our New Zealand records. Jenny was one of our key speakers at the recent State *Coming of Age* Conference.

Work is progressing well on the indexing of *Walch's Tasmanian Almanacs*. The next three books that are ready for publication are: Magistracy & Police, Road Trusts & Surveyors and Ecclesiastical.

Our branch is planning to participate at the annual *Tasmanian Local and Family History Faire*, to be held at Westbury from 10.00 a.m.–4.00 p.m. on Saturday, 8 September.

On 4 November the Launceston Branch will celebrate its 21st Birthday. The Executive is planning a birthday party which will be held at the Library on Saturday 10 November, at 3.00 p.m.

Details of the meetings for the next three months are:

Tuesday 3 July—3.00 p.m.—Laterally Thinking on the Ancestral Trail.

Tuesday 7 August—7.30 p.m.—The Pioneer Avenue between Launceston and Hobart—Marion Walker.

Tuesday 14 August—2.00 p.m.—BIG Group meet at Bryan Street Methodist Church Hall.

Tuesday 4 September—3.00 p.m.—‘Launceston Literary Ladies’—Gill Morris.

Please note that the library will be closed Wednesday nights during July and the first two weeks of August ●

CALLING ALL GENEALOGISTS ‘SAVE OUR CENSUS’ CAMPAIGN

THE 7 August 2001 survey will be the first national census of Australia to survive for 173 years.

But the Government is only going to keep part of it. The Hon. Joe Hockey, MP, Minister for Financial Services, has advised that Australian Bureau of Statistics and the National Archives will retain on microfiche only copies of census forms on which respondents specifically tick ‘YES’ to Question 50. All others will be shredded.

This census is going to cost around \$200 million of taxpayer funds. So, let’s not waste it.

We must educate as many Australians as possible of the importance of retaining this census data. Please spread this message around your family circle and friends. AFFHO can supply you with special mail stickers designed to place on the back of your outward correspondence. Send one with a letter to your local Federal MP and ask for their support in publicising our campaign in their electorate newsletter. Give a talk to your group.

Please join with Australia’s estimated 300,000 genealogists, historians, doctors, geneticists, epidemiologists, demographers and others, and tell your friends about saving these important records.

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[See article ‘The 2001 Census’ page 41 this issue—Ed.]

TEASING OUT THE TRUTH

Richie Woolley (Member No. 144)

AS most family historians appreciate, the presence of inaccurate or misleading information in official records is, unfortunately, more common than we would like. Of the many examples that I have encountered, those relating to my great-great-uncle, Jacob WOOLLEY, caused me more problems than most.

The son of William Woolley and Melinda BRYANT, Jacob was baptised with his brother John (my great-great-grandfather) at Mildenhall in Suffolk, England, in 1829.¹ He subsequently arrived here with his family in January 1837 on the *William Metcalfe*.² By 1842, he and John were living at Petcheys Bay in the Huon with their father,³ who had a timber lease in the area.⁴

When I decided to investigate Jacob's later life, all I knew about him was that he left Tasmania to live in New South Wales, probably in the Lismore area, where he raised a large family. I soon discovered that Jacob was married here however, his bride being the 16-year-old Mary BOURHILL (or BOREHILL), whom he married at Franklin on 12 October 1854.⁵ Mary and an elder sister had arrived here in 1851 with their father, Archibald Bourhill, a military pensioner who came to Van Diemens Land as part of a resettlement scheme.⁶

Tasmanian records did not contain any references to children born to Jacob and Mary, so it seemed likely that they must have left here soon after their wedding. This appeared to be confirmed by New South Wales birth records, with four children registered as being born to the

couple during the years 1857–64. The first of these children, a daughter named Melinda after Jacob's mother, was born in Sydney,⁷ and the next three—Susan, William and Archibald—were born in Newcastle.⁸ All four children were registered by their mother, whose birthplace was listed on each occasion as Paisley in Scotland. Mary's maiden name was recorded variously as BORRELL, BARROW and BURRELL, almost certainly due to the fact she was apparently illiterate, leaving the clerk taking down her details to guess how her name should be spelt.

The story of Jacob's life beyond this point, however, remained elusive. I could find no record of his death and four children hardly constituted the large family that he was supposed to have had. I did find a death record for a fifth child,⁹ a Robert James Woolley, who was evidently born in Tasmania prior to the couple's departure. Stated to be 13 years old, Robert died at Gundurimba, near Lismore, in 1869. His death was registered by a Gundurimba resident, Charles George CLARKE, who nominated a 'Margaret STUART' as Robert's mother.

The appearance of this woman's name was most intriguing, as an elderly relative with some knowledge of Jacob's family had suggested that the latter's wife was in fact named Margaret STEWART. The same relative nominated some additional names for children born to Jacob. Having already established that these children were not registered under Jacob's name, I decided to widen the search. Careful examination of the NSW Births Index

showed that a couple listed as Henry and Margaret Woolley had several children whose names matched some of those on the list of Jacob's alleged offspring.¹⁰ All these children were registered by their father, who gave Margaret's maiden name as Stewart (or Stuart), and provided details about himself that were remarkably similar to those that Jacob would have given.

Henry Woolley died at North Lismore in 1903.¹¹ His death certificate recorded his full name as 'Henry Jacob Woolley', and stated that his parents were William Woolley and Melinda Bryant, thereby providing final confirmation that he and Jacob were indeed the same man. Further evidence for this conclusion was provided by the certificate's list of Henry's children, which included the names of those who had been registered at birth as the children of Jacob. Henry's sole spouse was listed as 'Mary Margaret Stewart', with no mention made of Mary Bourhill.

At this point, it seemed to me that the most likely explanation for the confusion surrounding Jacob's family was that he and Mary had split-up sometime after Archibald's birth in 1864.¹² I thought that Jacob must have then entered into a *de facto* relationship with Margaret Stewart, changed his name to Henry, and moved to the Lismore area. In this scenario, Jacob's Gundurimba neighbour mistakenly nominated Margaret as Robert's mother when he registered the latter's death because he did not know of Jacob's former wife.

Doubts about the accuracy of this theory began to grow in my mind as I accumulated more information about the children born to Henry and Margaret. Their birth records suggested that Mary and Margaret were about the same age, and like Mary, Margaret's birthplace was

listed as Paisley on one birth certificate.¹³ Even more curiously, Margaret was described as Mary Margaret Barrell Stewart on one occasion,¹⁴ and several records indicated that she and Henry were married in Hobart, which was certainly not the case.

These anomalies became of greater interest when further research led me to the births of some children to a Charles and Mary TOMLIN (sometimes TOMLINS), who lived in the Hamilton area in Tasmania. Mary's maiden name was listed variously as BURRILL, BOWHILL, BORHILL, BORILL, etc. and although the couple's first children—twins named Charles and Archibald—were born in November 1855,¹⁵ the pair were not married until 1861.¹⁶ Mary was described as a widow at this time, but land records indicate that she was in fact the daughter of Archibald Bourhill, the military pensioner!¹⁷

If Mary was having children with Charles Tomlin during the period from 1855 to 1864 (and beyond), then she could not have been the woman living with Jacob Woolley in New South Wales during this period! Who, then, was the mother of Jacob's first five children? Despite the evidence of the early New South Wales birth certificates, could it have been Margaret? If so, did some of the details in those records—such as mother's age and birthplace—actually relate to her rather than Mary?

The likelihood that Jacob and Mary had parted company before the former left Tasmania—perhaps even very shortly after their marriage—raised some other interesting possibilities. I had always been somewhat puzzled by the census return lodged in April 1857 by Jacob's brother, John Woolley,¹⁸ who lived in the Cradoc area at that time. John indicated that his household included two married

men, both of whom had arrived in the colony as free settlers, but only one married woman. He also recorded the presence of a female ticket-of-leave holder. She was single and listed as an adherent of the Presbyterian religion, the only member of the household to follow this faith, and probably of Scottish origin. The Woolley family also included two boys who were less than two years old, only one of whom could have been John's son. It now occurred to me that these unidentified members of the household might have been Jacob (the second married male, parted from his legal wife), Margaret (the Presbyterian convict) and their son, Robert James Woolley (an infant at that time).

It seemed to me that if Margaret was indeed a convict, then her record might provide information—such as her age, birthplace, the duration of her sentence and her movements as a convict—that would enable me to confirm her role in Jacob's life. Since I had no way of knowing when she was transported, I decided that I would have to check the record of every Margaret Stewart (or Stuart) who arrived here from the late 1840s until the end of transportation in 1853. This entailed a lot of fruitless labour, but there was a huge jackpot at the end! The very last Margaret on my list sailed into Hobart on the *Duchess of Northumberland* (the second last convict transport to be sent to Van Diemens Land) in April 1853.¹⁹ To my great delight, her record stated that she was born about 1835 in Paisley and indicated that she was assigned to service in the Huon in May 1855. Like the woman in John's census return, she was a ticket-of-leave holder in April 1857, her conditional pardon being granted some two months after this date.

Jacob's presence in the Cradoc area in 1857 is also confirmed by other sources²⁰ and it seems safe to conclude that he was indeed living with Margaret by this time. The couple probably left for New South Wales shortly after Margaret received her pardon, initially settling in Sydney where Melinda was born just a few months later.

Further evidence that Margaret was in fact the mother of the children supposedly born to Mary can be gleaned from a variety of sources. When Margaret's death (at Rous, near Lismore, on 3 October 1889) was registered, the children supposedly born to her predecessor were listed as her own offspring.²¹ Although Jacob's son William was not named when his birth was registered in 1862,²² some later documents record his full name as William Stuart (or Stewart) Woolley.²³ The fact that he was listed as 'William S' on his brother's 1864 birth certificate indicates that the Stewart name had been given to him in the period when his mother was still identifying herself as Mary Bourhill.²⁴ Similarly, William's sister, Susan Woolley, used McALPINE (or McOLPINE) as a second given name. Margaret Stewart's convict indent stated that her mother's name was Susannah, and mentioned three siblings, including a brother named Archibald.²⁵ No father was listed, suggesting that he was dead by this time. A James Stewart and a Susanna McAlpine were married at Paisley in 1833,²⁶ and it seems almost certain that Margaret was their daughter, and that Susan McAlpine Woolley was named after her Scottish grandmother.

Two major questions remain. Firstly, why did Margaret describe herself as Mary Bourhill when she registered the births of four of her children? Mary was certainly Jacob's legal wife, but who else in New South Wales would have known that? It seems odd that Margaret felt obliged to

pass herself off as her predecessor, particularly as her husband had little hesitation in identifying her by her real name when he registered the births of their later children (although, as noted above, he did include the names 'Mary' and 'Barrell' as extra 'camouflage' on one occasion). Was Margaret motivated by guilt, or the fear that her irregular marital status would be discovered, or did some sense of what was legal or 'proper' guide her actions?

The second question concerns Jacob's change of name. In fact, I suspect that this was not the dramatic event that it appeared to be. I believe that Henry may have been Jacob's long-standing family nickname. Jacob's brother, John Woolley, named many of his children after members of his family, including his grandfather, father, both uncles, his sister, and his younger brother. Almost the only name of his close relatives that he did not use in this way was Jacob's, but it may be significant that his second son, who was born in 1858, was given Henry as his first name.²⁷ It should also be remembered that in New South Wales records, Margaret always gave her husband's name as Jacob, and Jacob always identified himself as Henry. Perhaps Margaret, with her apparent regard for what was 'proper', may have refused to use his nickname. It is possible, then, that Jacob's 'sudden' name change was no more than a reflection of the fact that Margaret registered the first four events relating to their family, with Jacob providing the details for five of the next six events.

The final word on Jacob's name should be left to his children, who seem to have been in no doubt about which name their father was known by. Of the eight who had children of their own, no less than six gave the name Henry to their eldest sons. ●

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PAST RECOLLECTIONS

Rose E. Webster

RECOLLECTIONS of events in the life of Michael and Catherine (COX) DELANEY of North Bruny Island in the 1890s, as told to their grand-daughter Rose WEBSTER by Jane Delaney (Mrs George WOOLLEY).

Michael Delaney

Now, what can I say about my father? Only that he worked hard at wood cutting for a living to keep the family. Those days green wood was only two shillings a ton, at the stump, or stacked in the bush. Dry wood, carted to the shore for vessels to load was three shillings and six pence or five shillings. It used to be eight or nine shillings sold to wood yards in Hobart. Dad got half, so you see that it took a few tons to pay for things.

When my brothers were old enough, they had to cut wood for a living and never had a chance to learn any other trade; only road work. Dad and the boys did a lot of road making.

Catherine's Wash Day

Mother worked hard to keep us kids tidy and clean but she managed somehow. In the summertime, North Bruny was and is a very dry place. Many times we had to carry water a mile for drinking. We used to take cans and kerosene tins and three or four would go so there would be enough water for the day and the night tea.

Mum used to have to go all that way to do our washing. Gee, there we would be, carrying bundles of clothes, tubs and kerosene tins to heat water and to boil the clothes in.

We used to take our dinner and have it on the beach, as the big pond or dam was right close to the beach.

Then, when the washing was dry, Mum would say, "Now children, let's get it gathered in and packed up so we can get home before dark". So we would scatter round the bushes and get the clothes off, pack the tubs and tins and off home.

If it had been all level travel it would not have been so bad but if the tide got in before we got back to the creek we had to cross, we would have to go a long way up the creek to get across. Sometimes it was not too deep to walk over through the water. We mostly had no boots or shoes. Mum had an old pair. One of us would carry them while Mum and one of the others would carry the tub with all the clothes in. Sometimes Dad and one of the boys would come and meet us.

We were poor, but happy. I guess mother used to worry about us not having nice clothes and shoes. Sometimes when the weather was too rough for the vessel to get back from Hobart with our food, we would have to wait two or three weeks. Sometimes we would be pretty short of food, but the neighbours, (Aunt Martha (Cox) WISBY, Mother's sister) used to send us flour and Gran Cox would bring us a loaf of bread and some butter.

The place we used to do the washing was opposite the Quarantine Station, over on YOUNG's ground out on the way to Woodcutter's Point. Sometimes we could get drinking water from the Quarantine Station—not always. If the weather was too dry we had to go round to the pond. No wonder the boys got typhoid!!

Michael and Catherine lived near Shelter Cove. The Wisby cottage is still there. The 'Cox-Delaney' Catholic Cemetery is also at Shelter Cove. ●

PIERCE AND CATHERINE GRACE

Walter Smith

PIERCE GRACE was tried and sentenced in Queens County, Ireland on 15 March 1844. His crime was killing 15 sheep, the property of Mr DESPARD J.P. His sentence was transportation and penal servitude for 15 years.

Pierce had used the alias, CANTRILL, because of fear of prejudice if his real name was known. As the leader of a 'Free Ireland' society known to the authorities as the 'Grace Faction' and because of the murder of a police informer by a relative of his, he used the false name of Cantrill or CANTWELL.

The fifteen sheep that Pierce killed were originally his own but had become the property of Mr Despard when that gentleman was granted Pierce's farm after Pierce was dispossessed of it.

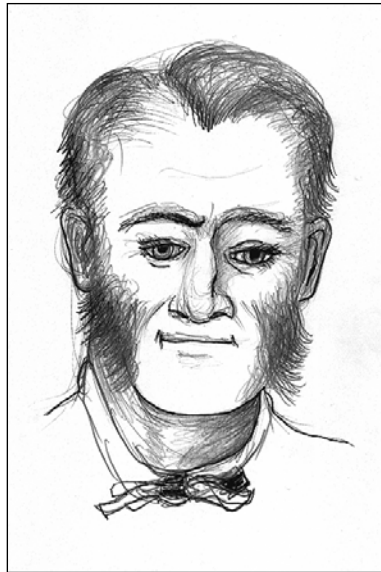
Pierce Grace was born in Clonmel in Tipperary in 1809. When he arrived in Hobart, he was 35 years of age and in good health. He arrived on the *Cadet* (1) on the 24 August 1844.

I have no photograph of Pierce, but the convict record describes him well enough to make a sketch of what he may have looked like. I was aided in this by being shown a photograph of his great grandson Bill

STEPHENS, who was said to look exactly like Pierce Grace.

Here is his description as detailed on the convict record:

Name	Pierce Cantrill
Height	5' 6" (167 cm)
Visage	Long
Age	35
Complexion	Sallow
Eyes	Light blue
Eyebrows	Sandy
Head	Large
Nose	Medium, crooked
Mouth	Medium
Hair	Brown



Pierce Grace

Forehead	High and broad
Trade	Farm labourer
Chin	Medium
Whiskers	Brown
Religion	Roman Catholic
Native place	Kilkenny
Married	
Can read a little.	

Pierce disclosed his real name while in custody and this was noted on the convict record: *For Grace, see Cantrill or Cantwell Cadet 1, 24th of August 1844.*

Pierce was often in trouble while in custody and was punished on several occasions. Nevertheless, he obtained a 'ticket of leave' in 1853 and a conditional pardon in 1854.

Pierce was re-united with his wife Catherine and their children on a small

property in the Huon Valley in Tasmania. But even so he was not out of trouble.

On 29 July 1858, Pierce Grace was tried and convicted under his real name for allegedly stealing a calf (the carcass was found 400 yards from his property). He was sent to Port Arthur for seven years. During this time, his family subsisted on their small potato crop and the money or goods earned by Catherine working as the local midwife. It was said that they were sometimes near starvation.

After returning from Port Arthur, Pierce was said to be a dispirited man and in poor health. Probably he was as much a burden as a help to his family.

Pierce Grace died of a stroke in the General Hospital in Hobart in 1890.

CATHERINE was born in Tipperary in 1814 and married Pierce Grace in 1832. Her husband was a

farm labourer but they also had a lease on a small piece of land, on which they grew potatoes and grazed a few sheep for milk and meat. Presumably Catherine would have grown vegetables for the table as well as looking after the children. She obtained some work as a housemaid for a period in a large local house.

When Catherine's husband, Pierce Grace, was transported to Van Diemens Land as a convict in 1844, she asked to be sent

with him. As this was refused, she set about committing offences in order to be also transported. She stole a sheep but was acquitted of the crime. She then stole another sheep and was sentenced to 3 months imprisonment. On her release, she walked into a house and stole a tea caddy and holding it, walked into the road, waiting to be arrested.

She was tried and convicted of this crime on 17 October 1844 at Carlow in Ireland.

She was sentenced to 7 years servitude in Van Diemens Land.

I visited Carlow in 1978 and had the unusual experience of standing in the very dock where my great great grandmother was sentenced, 134 years previously.

Catherine applied for and was granted permission to take her younger children with her. However, her eldest child James who was then 13 was not permitted to board the ship, named *Tasmania*, because Queen's

regulations prohibited male children over 11 years of age being transported on a female convict ship.

The children who accompanied her on board were Mary aged 9, Catherine aged 4 and Bridget aged 3.

Catherine was photographed sometime in the late 1800s but the photograph was faint and spotted to the point of being useless. I managed with the photo and the convict record to make



Catherine Grace

this sketch of what she may have looked like at age 30.

Here is Catherine's description taken from the convict record. (Con 41/8).

Trade	Housemaid
Age	30
Height	4' 9" (142.5 cm)
Complexion	Fair
Head	Oval
Hair	Brown
Visage	Oval
Forehead	High
Eyebrows	Brown
Eyes	Grey
Nose	Long
Mouth	Wide
Chin	Round

The children were taken from Catherine and put into the Queens Orphanage when the convicts disembarked in Hobart.

Pierce was punished for absconding to be with her in August 1846 and Catherine was subsequently delivered of a male child in the Female Factory in Hobart in May 1847.

She was allowed to take custody of the baby boy, Philip Pierce Grace, three months later. Pierce kept absconding and she gave birth to another boy in 1848.

He was named John Whelan Grace and was my great grandfather.

On 19 June 1849, Catherine obtained her ticket of leave. She straightway went to the orphanage, but they would release only the two younger girls. They kept Mary to be a teacher and trustee. Mary was then 13.

On 3 March 1852, Catherine obtained her Free Certificate and her eldest daughter Mary, now 16, was released from the orphanage to work for Dr AGNEW of Hobart. Catherine had leased a small parcel of land (7 acres) in the Huon Valley and with the help of young

Catherine and Bridget, she managed to raise the other children.

When Pierce was sent to Port Arthur for stealing a calf in July 1858, Catherine managed to keep them fed with potatoes and berries and some home grown vegetables. Occasionally she was employed as a midwife and was paid a little money or goods in lieu of money. Her daughter, young Catherine, left home to marry Michael HASSET at the age of sixteen, so she and Bridget were left to do all the heavy work. She sometimes trundled potatoes down to the waiting ships in the bay and sent them to Hobart for sale. Then she would walk into Hobart to stand guard over her precious crop on the wharves. She could not afford the fare on the ship carrying her potatoes. Family history has it that she took her only pair of shoes but walked barefoot there and back, wearing her shoes only while selling her produce.

Her children by Pierce Grace were:

James,	left behind in Ireland (untraced)
Mary	married Thomas Taylor
Catherine	married Michael Hasset
Bridget	married John Stevens
Philip	married Honaria O'Brien
John	married Mary Markham
Eliza	married Peter Spillers
Michael	married Ann Dillon
William	married Ann Markham

Catherine died of cancer in 1887 at the age of 73. She died in her own bed on her own 100-acre farm at Glaziers Bay overlooking the beautiful Huon River. ●

Compiled by their great great grandson, Walter Smith.

EARLY PIONEERS IN THE UPPER HUON

DEAN FAMILY MEMBERS FROM 'BELMONT', NEW NORFOLK

Claudia Dean (Member No. 47)

ALTHOUGH William (1800–1890) and Sarah DEAN's children were raised on their substantial holdings in the Derwent Valley at 'Belmont', Macquarie Plains, near New Norfolk, several chose to live part of their later life in the Huon area, despite the hardships involved.

Among the early pioneers of the Huon area at Franklin and Judbury, they were Elizabeth, (Mrs George SHERWIN) born in 1822, Johnson (1830), Charles (1836), Henry (1838) and their half brother Robert (1851)—son of William and his second wife Mary Garner SPODE.

In September 1854, H. Percy SORELL was sent to survey the course of some of the Huon River. This included property surveys for Johnson Dean, George Sherwin and two others.

We are fortunate that not only did Johnson Dean write *On Sea and Land* relating to events as early as the 1850s but Henry Dean wrote detailed, everyday diaries of the 1876–9 period that are still in existence. All quotes in this article are from these sources.



Elizabeth Dean was born in England and married George Green Sherwin in 1843. They moved to Franklin in 1852 where George kept the General Store, the chief place of business in Franklin. This, the only township in the district, was scattered along the western riverbank for more than a mile. By this time the

Sherwins already had three daughters—Sarah (1844), Marianne 'Minnie' (1846) and Lucy (1848).

About this time they were joined by Johnson Dean who had left Van Diemens Land in 1847 and had remarkable adventures and experiences in other parts of the world, mainly California. George sold out of the business having decided to move toward the job he liked—farming. Johnson stated

Then our share of pioneering began in good earnest.

As this new venture was on land George had leased (of which he later bought 200 acres) at what is now called Judbury, there were many long, arduous, preliminary trips to be made. When the moving at last commenced Johnson says

... everything had to be pulled up the river in a heavy punt, about 8 miles, then landed and carried on our backs 5 miles through the bush.

Johnson's description of the bush house which they built close to the river bank for convenience, with dirt for the floor, was *decidedly rough - ventilation first class!*

Next, so they could get something growing, they had to set about clearing some of this virgin bush. Small trees were cleared and large ones ringed [*ring-barked?*—Ed.] followed by the making of a cart road to the landing place. Then—horrors!

... one morning after heavy rains, the banks were unable to contain the mighty torrent that was coming down.

They waded through the water carrying the females to higher ground. After this fright they decided to build a new abode.

We commenced to split slabs 9ft. long by 10in. wide and built a larger and better house on higher ground containing six rooms. This we called 'Forest Home'.

Misfortune hadn't finished with them though and in January 1854 a devastating fire engulfed the area.

This terrible avalanche of fire came down with such resistless fury that in spite of the most heroic efforts, house, fencing, and even green growing crops were swept away before it.

A precious piano that William Dean had brought from England was saved, although it ever after bore the scars of the fire.

Tired, terrified, and crushed, they huddled together as best they could in the potato paddock till the morning, eating raw turnips in the mean time until better provisions could be brought from a distance.

The next month they, like other families, had just started to dare to breathe again when the next flood descended. 'Forest Home' again suffered and now they lost most of the potato crop that had survived the fire.

Once again they rebuilt and in March 1855, a new daughter, Frances Amy Lillias Sherwin (known as Amy) was born. She was the first white child born at Judbury. In 1858, the first and only son of the family was born—George Arthur Albert (known as Arthur).

Despite experiencing yet another great loss by flood in August 1858, the Sherwin family remained at 'Forest Home'. They did leave briefly in 1864/5 to live on their other property, 'Woodlands', at Glenorchy, but otherwise

seem to have remained in the Huon area until 1883. George sold 'Forest Home' in 1881 and the family moved to 'Brookside' which was also at Judbury.

This Sherwin family was blessed with musical talent but the one who became famous for her wonderful voice was Amy. She brought fame and renown to herself, her family, the little settlement of Judbury and to her home state. Their mother, Elizabeth, was their early teacher using the piano that had been saved from the fire.

When only seven, Amy had heard of a famous singer whose voice was discovered by a passer-by, so hoping someone in the musical world would hear her she used to sing loudly when in the road-side paddocks. This didn't happen for many years but amazingly it did happen! In 1878, when 23 and well after her Tasmanian singing debut, she was singing in a paddock near 'Forest Home' when some picnicking members of the Pompeii and Cagli Italian Opera Co. heard her and persuaded her to join them. This was the start of her tremendous singing career which led her to London, Paris, Boston, Cincinnati and Chicago where all acclaimed her and her fine quality voice. More acclamations followed, even from other sopranos, including Melba who sang at Covent Gardens four years after Amy. Amy became Madame Amy Sherwin and was known as 'The Tasmanian Nightingale'. On a visit to Hobart in 1898, young men took the horses from her carriage, then pulled her in triumph through the streets.

Her Hobart debut had been in the Del Sarte's Rooms on the corner of Davey and Harrington Streets and in 1974 a plaque was attached to this building in her honour. It stated:

TO HONOUR
MADAME AMY SHERWIN
PRIMA DONNA
BORN 1855 DIED 1935

Made her debut in this building.

Unveiled by the minister of Tourism.

The Hon. B. K. Miller. M.L.C. 19.9.'74

According to a newspaper report at that time, the Director-General of Tourism referred to her as *one of the most notable Tasmanians of the last century*.

For the past few years this plaque has not been on the outside of this building where it was placed. Does anyone know where it is?

Johnson Dean, after helping his sister and brother-in law establish themselves at 'Forest Home' set out to make his own abode. In 1854 he had leased some 500 acres of Crown Land that fronted both the Huon and as it is now known, the Russell Rivers. This is now in the area known as Lonnavale. He completed the purchase of 250 acres of this lease in 1855. He writes:

Having selected for myself another block of land five miles further up the river, it now came my turn to face the bush single handed. The first thing wanted was a habitation of some kind and here again I was fortunate in finding a standing tree large enough and sufficiently burnt out to allow me to stretch my bed across inside. A hole at the back was soon covered with fern fronds, and the front opening was just high enough for a door. After knocking down the charcoal and putting in a few armfuls of 'bull's wool' - i.e. the outer coating of the stringy bark, it made a comfortable nest. Was it lonely? Yes rather!

He found Sundays very welcome as sometimes he was able to see others and was actually able to use his speech.

Later, after returning to his place, 'The Hermitage' and his tree-home from a time away he found his *roosting place had been five feet under water*. So he too built a cabin further back from the river of split slabs and with a fireplace (*Luxury indeed!*) which lasted for thirty years. Next came the task of helping others to make a rough road to the navigable part of the river—an essential if one wanted to send produce to market—even this though did not come within several miles of his place. Of course, while this project was being undertaken he was not able to do any clearing on his own place or combat the wombats and kangaroos etc. At this stage he borrowed money and employed others to help in all these tasks. He and George Sherwin then tried their luck on the gold fields but this venture did not help to make 'The Hermitage' venture viable and he decided to give up the struggle. In November 1857, he sold to Mr Kellaway, who backed Mr W. Wallis in developing this property. Their early efforts at growing potatoes were no more successful than Johnson's had been, but later Johnson could write that

The Hermitage is now the finest grazing farm in the district.

Over the years Johnson owned and/or lived at several places including Bream Creek (1862), Spring Hill Bottom near Jerusalem (Colebrook) and in 1864–74 he ran a store in this Colebrook area; and at some time he also had an apple orchard in Argyle Street, Hobart. He died at his Argyle Street property in 1908.

Henry Dean married Clara Maria Dyer in 1863 and their first child, Ada Dean, was born while they lived at Richmond. By 1865 they were living at the Sherwin's property, 'Forest Home' at Judbury. This is thought to be when the Sherwins had moved to their property at Glenorchy for a few years and Henry had

moved in to manage 'Forest Home'. Their next child, Percy Dean, was born at 'Forest Home' in 1865.

Henry also owned the property 'Woodlands' of 100 acres in the hills between Judbury and Ranelagh. He sold this for £160 to James Rimon in November 1866, the sale being financed by Johnson Dean.

Henry and Clara's next two children, Amy Florence Dean (1867) and Arthur Charles Dean (1870), were not born in the Huon, as the family had moved to the Broadmarsh and Colebrook area for a few years. By 1871, when Henry Leslie Dean was born, they were certainly back in the Huon as his and his brother's, Frank Barclay Dean's (1874), births were registered there.

Henry's diaries, written in 1876–1879 with not a single day missed in his meticulous writing of them, show the acceptance of arduous work, extremely long distances to be walked, and a constant fight for survival as just normal, everyday happenings. The arrival of visitors were special events and every one is noted. In 1877, his son Percy was 12 and seems to have worked the property with his father. The other children were aged 14 (Ada), 10 (Amy), 7 (Arthur), 6 (Henry Leslie or Harry?) and 3 (Frank).

A strange thing (to me anyway) is that in the diaries Henry refers to his sister and brother-in-law as Mr and Mrs Sherwin rather than as Elizabeth and George as I would have expected. Henry was 23 years younger than George and 16 years younger than Elizabeth so maybe that is why.

Henry and his wife and children lived on part of 'Forest Home'. It is sometimes referred to as 'up' from Sherwins and in reverse, Sherwin's was 'down below'.

This seems to point to it being either up the steep forested hill directly above the 'Forest Home' buildings or another possibility is that 'up' refers to 'up the river'.

They were here for some years and then on 17 May 1876, they moved to their new place 'Judbury' which was later known as 'Brookside'. He leased this 103 acre block near where the Huon river is met by Judd's Creek from William Wallis.

The whole district eventually became known as Judbury. The valuation roll (18 November 1879) for this area shows Henry as not only still leasing this 103 acres with land and hut (*After all his efforts at building I wonder how he would take the term "hut"!*) but also owning 30 acres with homestead and orchard and 95 acres of cultivated land both at near-by She Oak Hills. Maybe the family now actually lived on this land for as well as what he owned here Henry also leased in this She Oak Hills area—1,470 acres—from the Crown and 5 acres of pastoral land.

Quotes from the diaries show work was long and hard but varied.

1877 – MARCH

- 12 Mon Cut battens for stable, fell tree for barking, would not bark. Mr. Russell came for tea. Cut my hand.
- 13 Tues Hand very bad. Mr. Wallis went to town Picked our hops. Percy went for horse.
- 16 Fri Percy took horse home, self skins and wallaby & possum. All of us picking apples.
- 17 Sat Percy and self digging white potatoes afternoon & cutting scrub by the ford. D. Rimon came.

- 19 Mon Digging potato ground sowed barley & oats on it afternoon cutting scrub by ford
- 21 Wed Burning along fence of marsh paddocks mowing beans reaped wheat
- 22 Thurs Burning scrub in marsh paddock. All of us sick list Percy caught a wallaby [in] own snare
- 23 Fri Making up fence - end of marsh paddock burning more of run clearing up some of burnt ground
- 24 Sat Making fires, clearing up ground in marsh paddock, threshed wheat Mr Smith here to tea, broke his cart wheel at Mr. Wallis'
- 28 Wed Went to Town early with load cabbages & skins 1 bsh plums for Mr Smith stayed at Mr Dossetors [sic] Horse at Mr Holmes
- 30 Fri Gathering beans & making a yoke for putting on the saddle pig, Killed a sheep Rest of bean paddock

APRIL

- 4 Wed Moved things from old shed to the stable after putting roof on. wet afternoon sowed grass seed in Charlie's ground
- 6 Fri Making stable and put the old sow in sty with farrow, began to dig up carrots 65 lbs, dug more white potatoes 135 lbs
- 7 Sat Self making stable Percy digging 150 white potatoes after took saddle pig to Mr Wallis'
- 12 Thurs Percy and Arthur digging beans, Self digging potatoes. Clara went to Mrs. Russell's. Total weight of peas - 5 cwt.
- 16 Mon Went to town (*Hobart*). Walked all way. Stayed at Ben's all night.

Took sewing machine to Mr. Smith's.

- 17 Tues Went to Jerusalem (*Colebrook*) by the Express. Walked back to Richmond and back to E. Luttrell's. Stayed all night.
- 18 Wed Went to Spring Hill Bottom (*Near Colebrook*) to Johnson's place about horse. Too lame. Came back to Brighton.
- 19 Thurs Walked from thence to Town, called at Kellaway's (*Glenorchy*) Into Town saw Mrs. Wallis. Could not see Johnson. Stayed at Dossiter's.
- 20 Fri Returned home. Called at Bartells. Got home about 6. Fine day. Brot home Harry's slate.
- 25 Wed Made one pig sty and put farrow and 2 others into it at night. Mr. & Mrs. Russell came afternoon
- 28 Sat Made another pig sty and put 4 little pigs in. Made a new trough. Showery. D. Rimon went yester-day.

AUGUST

- 24 Fri Working over the river fell in river breaking new ground set a few broad beans began foundations for chimney
- 27 Mon Showery all day fencing & breaking up in Charlie's ground also got a log for end of kitchen.

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Sat Went to Mr. Smith's for rest of hay then took bullocks home took potatoes for Scotty. F. Rimon took 5 bags of potatoes to craft "Catherine"

(I wonder does the craft *Catherine* still exist and if so where is she?)

I think Henry and his family left the Huon in 1880/1. They seem to have moved to the Jerusalem (Colebrook) area where Henry owned a farm of 250 acres—I think at Spring Hill Bottom—and he leased more farmland of 351 acres at nearby Yarlinton. He died at Johnson Dean's home in Argyle Street, Hobart in 1902.

Charles Dean appears on the October 1874 Roll as leasing the 100 acres with hut and land near Judd's Creek. This was the property 'Judbury' that became known as 'Brookside'. This was the same property that his brother, Henry, leased in 1876. In October 1876, Charles is listed as owning 100 acres of land, orchard and hut at She Oak Hills.

I don't know if Charlie ever attempted to live there or not. In his 1876–79 diaries his brother Henry mentions several times the work he has done on 'Charlie's land'.

Robert William Dean was the half-brother of Elizabeth Sherwin, Henry, Johnson and Charlie Dean and he too lived in the Upper Huon for a time. He bought the 30½ acres with the homestead and orchard at She Oak Hills in November 1880 for £220. In the January 1881 Roll he is listed as owning this and the other 95 acres that his half-brother, Henry Dean, had previously owned, as well as leasing the 1470 and five acre lots that Henry had also leased in this area.

After only one and a half years he sold to Henry Reynolds. ●

FFHS NEWS

NEWSPAPER LIBRARY AT COLINDALE—CATALOGUE NOW SEARCHABLE ON-LINE

ONE of the many organisations that the FFHS liaises with is the British Library.

Derek Palgrave reports that a very important development took place last year (December 2000): the Newspaper Library Catalogue went on line.

It is now possible to log on to <http://prodigi.bl.uk/nlcat/> to find details of the newspapers which have been published and which are held at by the Newspaper Library.

I discovered that you can search by 'Title', 'Place' or 'Date', resulting in a page reporting the hits that match your criteria. Refreshingly, their details are all displayed on one page, and not broken up into (for example) 1–20, 21–40, etc

Each hit then links you via the title of the publication to a page giving the catalogue reference numbers and dates held (presumably at Colindale) for the title concerned. A note section tells you, for example, if it is held on microfilm only. If the publication continued under another title, it tells you and gives similar details for that title as well.

I found that 'Place' can be as general as the name of a county. The only word of caution is where the name of the county changed in the local government reorganisation of 1974: for example, typing in 'Monmouthshire' resulted in 34 hits whilst typing in 'Gwent' resulted in 108.

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KINGBOROUGH MAGISTRATES' LETTER BOOKS

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IT is amazing to find how much documentation has survived from the Kingborough Police Station. Among the usual police books on crime, licenses, fines, duty lists etc, are two books kept by the magistrates of the area between 1855 and 1888 regarding charitable grants to the needy of the area (POL 394/1 and POL 395 Archives Office of Tasmania). There are letters to and from the magistrates concerning the aged, widows, orphans, boarded-out children and those who suffered illnesses or accidents and couldn't support themselves or their families. There are descriptions of people who were too poor to get to the hospital or pay the hospital fees and those who were too poor to bury their dead. It is hard to envisage life before the social welfare system that we have today.

The Kingborough region consisted of areas around Kingston, Margate, Snug, Leslie (Vale), Woodbridge and Bruny Island. The system seemed to have been that local constables or concerned citizens reported a situation to the magistrate, who made recommendations to the Administrator of Charitable Grants in Hobart. He in turn, like the Roman emperors, gave it the thumbs up or down decision. As usual, those controlling the purse strings showed less compassion than those who came face to face with poverty. The letters show appeals by the magistrate, Mr Denne in particular, whenever he thought the applicants had been unfairly treated. As a resident, he knew the situation better than most. In one instance he noted that he lived

on the top of a hill and could see many of the recipients of charitable aid from his house. He was required to review each recipient of aid every six months. Some families were receiving aid for years whilst others only required temporary assistance. When an application was made for charitable grants or admission to an institution, details about the person were quite numerous: name, maiden name, ship to colony or native born, age, whether free by servitude or arrival, religion, native place, date of marriage, children's birth dates or baptisms, trade, place of residence, and the circumstances causing application.

As far as family history is concerned, these books describe the flesh on the skeleton of known dates of births, deaths and marriages. They paint pictures of life's struggles with illness, hunger, large families, isolation, failing crops, lack of work, lack of extended family who could help and the old Tasmanian battle against the stigma of one's convict past. The books read like a social history of the area with descriptions of small fruit growing, woodcutting, reliance on boats, the state of their housing and morals.

Whilst there were no more convict ships arriving after 1853, the ex-convicts themselves were becoming old and in need of help. They had no extended families here to help and relied upon their children over the age of 12 to support them. If there were no means of family help and the Administrator of Charitable Grants thought the amount of money

asked for was too much, he used the stock phrase 'The doors of the Depot are open to them.' The Depot meant the pauper institutions at the Brickfields, Cascades and at New Town after the orphanage closed in the 1870s. How they hated this! They had experienced the prison system and had no wish to go to a prison for the elderly! If they were not forced to go, they were certainly coerced. There were comments throughout the books such as

... rather die in the bush than go to the New Town Depot.

I'll take less money rather than go to the Depot.

... if all else fails, he'll go to the Depot, but it'll break his heart.

There was an application from a pauper at the Depot to be released if he worked again for a living in the district. They must have been desperate to have asked for aid in the first place, and many didn't ask and suffered the ultimate consequence. There is a note about

Mrs B... died at Bruni after an isolated life. Informed she was half starved.

Another elderly man aged 82 loaned his boat out in exchange for a loaf of bread and some potatoes.

Charitable grants could be stopped if it were proved that the recipients spent the money on alcohol or lived 'immoral' lives. The magistrate received anonymous letters and gossip which he had to examine. On one occasion he asked the local constable to check out a certain lady who was reported to be living above her means as a pauper by wearing a veil and taking a parasol to church, going to the theatre where admission was 1/- and singing to men who were in her company. The constable replied 'I haven't been to see her as she would abuse me!' The

particular lady was a widow with twelve children, 7 of whom were at home and under the age of 12.

On another occasion the magistrate was asked to check out a recipient of aid on Snake Island who was reportedly living with a man. The magistrate reported back that yes, there was a man living on the island with Mrs. C... but she was upward of 80 years, not expected to live much longer, and if it wasn't for the man, who had been a worker for the late Mr C..., the woman could be dead for weeks without anyone knowing. After Mrs C... was taken away with a broken hip, it was disclosed that the island was government property and that the only man living there was trespassing. However, the Administrator of funds deemed it cheaper to leave him there than remove him to the Depot!

Then there was the case of Mr and Mrs T... of Bruny Island of whom it was said were fond of the drink. The magistrate knew the old couple well and reported

Visited this couple three times since last report. T... was himself in the employ of my father-in-law at Bruni and was always a very industrious, steady and respectful in his habits. He has scarcely the power to walk outside the hut, being mostly confined to his chair at the fireside. The wife I have on two occasions seen drunk but on both occasions it was when the priest held service here and she was then I believe treated at the expense of her friends. I do not think any of the allowance was to that object.'

Mrs C... had her allowance stopped on more than one occasion and was threatened with being sent to the Depot because she was found drunk. The last item for her stated that she had her allowance stopped because she was living with a man.

Another task the magistrate had to attend to was that boarded-out children in the area were 'giving satisfaction' to their foster families and being looked after properly. The magistrate would interview both parties. On one occasion a master reported that the boy was a bad character, dishonest, wasteful and indolent. The boy made no complaint of the master, but said his mistress often 'jawed' him.

The extent of destitution in the area was probably the same as every other area in Tasmania at that time, but still I find it beggars belief to read example after example of terrible poverty. There was the case of a father of a large family living at Oyster Cove. On being advised to go to the hospital in Hobart for treatment of his eye disease, he replied that he couldn't as he didn't own a pair of boots and the journey was twenty-five miles each way! His normal occupation was that of crushing stones for road construction.

In another item, the magistrate described an old man's hut as little better than a dog kennel. Other huts had mud floors, calico for windows and rags and bags on the floor for bedding.

Our highly respected Governor-General, Sir William Deane, says a country is judged by its treatment of the poor and minority groups. Even though times have changed, I don't think we would have ranked very well in the 1800s. ●

More from the

ISLE OF MAN

DO YOU KNOW JOSEPH BLACK?

IN June 1997, (Vol.18 No.1) *Tasmanian Ancestry* published an article titled 'Have You a Manx Connection?' accompanied by a list of forty-eight convicts who were transported from the Isle of Man between 1820 and 1851. Information on another convict, John GELLING, was published in Vol.19 No.1. Apparently Gelling was assigned to John PETCHEY.

Recent correspondence from Patricia POWER on the Isle of Man reveals that yet another convict has been uncovered. Joseph BLACK had disappeared from the Quarterly Returns of the hulks but his name appears on another, more obscure list. Patricia would be grateful if anyone can supply information on Joseph Black who arrived on the *Minerva* in 1838. She writes

I doubt anyone would claim him as an ancestor—his record is the worst of any Manxman! He seems to have spent his whole sentence on the road gang. Another curiosity is his age: 13 on the Island, 17 in Tassie!

A book called *Never to Return*, written by a Manx farmer on these convicts, was published in December last year and at the time of writing I am awaiting a copy!

Further information would still be welcomed by Patricia who may be contacted at:

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NAMES MENTIONED IN THE KINGBOROUGH MAGISTRATES' BOOKS

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POL 394/1 and POL 395

*Denotes those from POL 395

(b) Denotes both books

- * ADAMS Alice, Thomas & children
- ADAMS Benjamin
- * ARMSTRONG Henrietta & son Arthur
- * ATKINSON George

- * BANKS William, Mary Ann & children
- * BARNES William & Sarah
- * BARTELS August & children
- * BATES Daniel & Mary Ann
- * BAYNES Ellen
- * BECKETT Maria
- * BEDDLE Mrs & son George
- * BERRY Robert
- * BIGNELL William
- * BLOOMFIELD Mary
- * BOND Margaret
- (b) BORLEY Bridget, Frederick & children
- (b) BORROWS/BURROWS Elizabeth,
George & children
- * BOWER George
- * BOWING Margaret
- * BOYD Margaret
- * BRADBURN Thomas
- BRADDON William & Catherine
- * BRIENT Katherine
- (b) BUCKHURST Margaret/Mary & John
- BUCKLAND John
- * BURNES George

- (b) CALHOUN Margaret, Hugh & children
- CAMPBELL Colin
- CANTWELL Elizabeth
- CARR Margaret
- * CARRIER Annie M, William & children
- CHANNER Henry
- * CLAPPERTON/PERRY Isabella
- * COLE Mary
- (b) COLLEY William, Catherine & children
- (b) COLLIER Ann
- COLLINS/FLOWERS Margaret
- (b) COLLINS/O'BRIEN Margaret
- (b) CONRADES Georgina, August & children

- * CONROY Mary
- * CONWAY Charles
- (b) CONWAY Daniel
- (b) COOK Andrew, Harriet & children
- * COOPER William
- COWEN Bridget
- * COX Jane, Anthony & children

- DALY Jane
- * DALEY Patrick, Margaret & children
- * DAVIE Fanny, Sinclair Keith & children
- * DELANEY/DELANY Fenton, Margaret &
children
- * DICKSON William
- * DODD/ROWE Mary
- DOGHERTY Honora, John & children
- DOWLING Mary Ann
- * DUNN John & wife
- * DUNN Michael, Amelia & children

- (b) EAGAN Bridget

- * FALLOW Julia & husband
- * FISHER Hannah, Joseph & children
- FLOWERS Margaret
- FORSYTH Margaret
- FOUNDLING Susannah
- * FOX Johannah
- * FRASER Mary
- FRYER Maria & Mary Ann Eliza

- * GALLAGHER Ada
- * GARD/HAGUE Margaret
- GARMAN Margaret & children
- * GARTZ Sophia Mercy
- * GAVIN Louisa
- GEARMAN Charles
- GEARMAN Mrs
- GILES Jane
- GITTUS Margaret
- GORMAN/GORMLEY Mary Ann, James
& children
- * GOULDING Susan

- * GRAHAM Mary Ann
- * GREEN John
- GREEN Tamzan
- * GROOMBRIDGE John
- * HAGUE/GARD Margaret
- * HALL Emma
- * HARPIN Jane
- * HARROWHILL Mary
- * HARVEY Roger
- * HASTINGS Julia
- * HAWKINS Thomas
- * HAYBALL Amelia
- HUGHES Bridget
- HURLEY Honora
- * HUTCHINS Thomas, Catherine & children
- * JACKSON/SMITH Jane
- * JARVIS Alice
- * JENKINS Annie M
- * JOHNSON Henry
- * JONES Ellen & children
- * JONES Matilda Alice
- JONES Susan & children

(b) KEILY/KEELY Patrick & Bridget
 * KINSELLA Edward

(b) LABURN Jude, George & children
 * LAMBERT Henry
- * LANCASTER James
- * LANG Ann
- * LANGLEY Katherine, George & children
 Brient & Langley
- * LEARY Mary
- * LLOYD Sarah Ann
- * LOVEGROVE Mary Ann
- * LOVETT John
- LUCAS Alfred August, Beatrix & children

- MAHER Bridget
- * MARSH William Martin & Marion
- * MARTIN Mary Ann & children
- * MASON Emmaline
- McCANN Ellen
- McDERMOTT Eliza
- * McDIARMID Bridget, Duncan & children
- McEVOY Joseph
- * McGIR Henry
- McGUIRE Catherine
- * McINTYRE Michael
- McKAY Bridget
- McKAY Jacob

- McKAY Maria, John & children
- (b) McKAY Richard, Mary Ann & children
- * McMILLAN Marian
- * MENZIE Matilda Alice, Robert L & children
- * MERCHANT Margaret
- * MILLER David
- MINIHAN Bridget, Michael & children
- * MITCHELL Ann
- * MOORE Joseph
- MOUNTAIN James
- * MULCAHY Bridget
- * MULLINS Thomas
- MURPHY Susannah, James & children
- * NOBLE Mary
- NOCK Mary, Thomas & children
- * NORRIS Maria
- * NORTON Katherine, James
- NOY Michael

O'BRIEN Margaret & Patrick
 O'DELL Mary
 * OLIVER John

- * PALMER John
- * PAYNE Walter
- * PEARSON/PEACH Florence
- * PECK William
- PENBOURTHY Tamzan
- * PENNY Sarah
- * PERRY/CLAPPERTON Isabella
- * PITHAM Henry & Johanna
- POINTON Henry, Elizabeth Mary & children
- POVEY Margaret & children

(b) RANDALL Thomas

- * RAY Ellen, Alfred & child
- * REGAN Johanna
- * REID Beatrice
- * REILLY Katherine
- * RICHARDSON Thomas
- * RICKETTS Mr & Mrs
- * ROBLEY Ann
- * ROGERS Thomas/John, Mary
- * ROLLINS Eliza Louisa & children
- ROONEY Bridget
- * ROWE/DODD Mary
- * SANDFORD Amelia, & John
- * SAUNDERS -
- * SHARD Thomas
- * SHARP Robert & Mary Ann

- SHEA Timothy/Rady
- * SHEERAN/SHEARAN Francis, Mary
 - * SHEPPARD Elizabeth & daughter
 - * SHORE John
 - (b) SLATTERY Eliza, John & children
 - * SMALL James
 - * SMITH Jane
 - * SMITH Joseph
 - * SMITH William Thomas, Ellen
 - * SPROULE Adam & children
 - * STEWART William, Ellen & children
 - * STOCKS Harriet
 - * STRINGER Ann, William
 - * STUBBINGS Elizabeth, Thomas & family
 - * SULLIVAN Timothy
 - * SWARD Emmanuel, Mary Ann & children
-
- * TARR James, Isabella
 - * THOMSON Ann, James & children
 - TIMS Jane
 - * TILLEY William, Margaret
 - * TOOGOOD Henry & Jane
 - * TOUT Anne & William
 - * TRINGROVE Mary & children
 - * TROY Michael & Ann
 - * TURVEY Joseph
-
- UNDERELL Samuel
- * UNDERHAYS Ellen & William
-
- * VINCE Emma
-
- * WALKER Emma, Charles & children
 - * WALKER Matilda Alice
 - * WALKER Nancy, John
 - * WALLACE/WILLIAMS William
 - * WALPOLE Isaac
- (b) WEBSTER Sophia, Henry & children
- * WHITTLE Henry & Mary
 - WHITE Monica
 - WILLIAMS Elizabeth, James & children
 - WILLIAMS Margaret
 - WILLIAMS Susannah
 - * WILSON Margaret
 - * WILSON Robert
 - * WILSON Sarah, John & children
 - * WILSON/NORMAN Sarah
 - WOOD Eliza & children
 - WORBOYS Henry John & wife
 - * WORSLEY Eliza Louisa
-
- YOST Mary Ann & husband

NEW RELEASE

CONVICT APPLICATIONS TO BRING OUT THEIR FAMILIES TO VDL (ALSO NSW, VIC & WA) INDEX 1827–1873

compiled by
Coralie Mesecke

Under both the Assignment System and the later Probation System, wives and families were given official assistance by the government to join their convict husbands. No dedicated register was kept to record the convicts' applications for these indulgences. The surviving applications are spread throughout a variety of records (nearly all on film at the Archives Office of Tasmania) such as the VDL Colonial Secretary's Office General Correspondence, VDL Governor's Office despatches, Convict memorials, Colonial Office Correspondence and other AJCP records.

Many spouses, children and other family members are identified, often with their place of abode. Of particular note are the number of married daughters who arrived with their husband and children—all listed under married names, so not readily recognisable as family connections.

Therefore this index of nearly 2000 names will prove of immense benefit not only to those researching their convict ancestors but will also solve some mysteries for family historians looking for arrival information about their free immigrant ancestors.

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A HUON FAMILY HISTORY

FROM THE WRITINGS OF HARRIET EMMA WATSON BENDER
(KNOWN AS EMMA) 1903–2000

Elaine Burton (Member No. 741)

EMMA's grandfather, Joseph ANTOINE or Richard ROBERTS, as far as we know came from the Azores, presumably on a whaling ship, deserted and stayed here. It is unknown for sure to us at this stage exactly what happened with him. We have some printed papers from various places that state his name as Joseph Antoine but when he married, on the certificate it calls him Richard Robert. Somewhere along the line an 'S' was added and so therefore they have always been known as Roberts. As far as we know Emma Selina, his wife, got him to change his name from Joseph Antoine to Richard Roberts, because you were looked down upon if you married a foreigner. We can't trace his parents at this stage. Emma can remember he had an accent and talked a little 'funny' because of it.

There is a write up in *The Cyclopaedia of Tasmania* about Richard which says,

Mr Richard Roberts, Orchardist, "Hollywood", Upper Huon, is an old resident of the Upper Huon District, having arrived there from Portugal in 1866. He immediately went in for farming, dairying and fruit growing, but of late years has devoted his sole attention to the last named pursuit, having handed over the dairying business to his son. He has nine acres under fruit cultivation and about 1500 trees of all varieties, principally apples and pears. Mr Roberts finds a ready market in New South Wales for most of his apples, while those not exported are without difficulty

disposed of to local buyers. He takes an interest in matters affecting the welfare of the district, and was for some time a member of the Upper Huon Roads Trust. Mr Roberts was married at Franklin to Miss Emma Selina Arthur, daughter of the late Thomas Arthur, a very old resident of Port Cygnet, and his family consists of five daughters and two sons. All the daughters have married local residents, (three daughters married three brothers) and the sons are in business for themselves.

Both he and his wife Emma Selina, were very strict. Emma (WATSON) was the only grandchild that Emma would have with her to help her in latter years, as we have told later in the story of Emma Watson. After living at 'Hollywood', now Reg Menzies' house, they moved to a house next to the Glen Huon Hall. A brick house stands on the place where it used to be.

Henrietta Elizabeth and George WEST had a daughter Ann, born in England in 1834. They came to Little Swanport—Prosser Plains. Another daughter, Henrietta Elizabeth West (or ARTHUR) was born in Tasmania in 1843. Thomas Arthur came to live with the family as George West had gone to the goldfields in Victoria. Thomas Oliver Arthur was born in 1844 followed by daughter, Emma Selina Arthur, born 1847.

The three Tasmanian-born children came to live and were married in the Huon area. Harriet Emma Watson BENDER was the grand-daughter of Emma Selina

Arthur and Joseph Roberts (Antoine).
The following is her story.



Emma Bender's Story

I am trying to make a record of my earliest memories. My name is Harriet Emma Watson Bender and I was born on the 28 September 1903 in a small township called Maclean, NSW, my parents Mark Watson and Mary Elizabeth Roberts having gone from Upper Huon, Tasmania to NSW to live there in late 1896 or early 1897.

My two elder brothers, Harril George and Arthur Joseph were born in the Huon, Tasmania. Then my parents sold their home to my Dad's brother, William, in 1896 for 150 pounds. Uncle Arthur, Mum's brother, had gone to Maclean first and bought some land. When Mother and Father went over they bought the property from Uncle Arthur. It was a dairy.

I kind of remember our home in Maclean. It was a cream coloured weather-board with a high foundation on one side and a front verandah with a small orchard in front. I only remember these small parts of my history. I can't actually remember my brothers or my father except once being in the cart and getting out to open the gate. My parents bought the place from my mother's brother, Arthur Roberts who must have gone over earlier. We had been away and were coming home when it commenced to rain heavily and we stopped at the dairy stockyards. While we were there a large ball of fire fell from the sky into one of the yards with a bang and a splash making a deep

hole. It was called a Thunder Bolt. Another day we were going somewhere in the horse and cart. There didn't seem to be a road, just a track through the bush. We had to go down into a gully and up the other side. When the horse went a short way it started to back down and I can just remember that. Another time I can remember standing at the side of the house (with the high foundations) hearing a little girl call me and I didn't answer. I was only about three years old and must not have wanted to play with her. One time I can remember Mother and another lady in the kitchen and Mother had a big white apron on and a bowl of honey in the comb. She gave me some honeycomb to eat. There seemed to be one or two black men—they must have been helping Dad get the honey, I guess.

Mother told me that at one time she had a little knife that she had lost and I said to her, 'Mum, the orange peel 'wimmed, but the knife didn't.' I can also remember that Dad used to growl at Mum because I wouldn't eat my food, so Mother used to feed me.

Then I can remember coming home from NSW to Sydney and I can remember Mum saying it must have been the Coffee Palace we stayed at. We went up onto the roof because you could see over all the buildings. I cannot remember being on the boat or anything else and I cannot remember actually leaving or arriving here. We must have come back about the end of 1906. My Dad must have come home first because we lived in a slab home he had made. He would split the timber into wide planks and stood them end on end and built the home like that. The fireplace was like a small room with great wide hobs either side which Mother used to clean with white wash and laid

paper on them and we could sit on them. Dad used to carry in the great big logs for the fire. There was also a bar of iron over the fire which was built into the chimney (we called this a crane) on which we used to hang the three legged pots, camp oven (which was used for baking), boilers with lids and handles and a kettle. All these were made of cast iron. When Mother wanted to bath us she hung a blanket from the mantle piece which made a small room. The home consisted of three rooms. You walked in the back door and turned to your right into Mother and Father's bedroom. I slept in a small bed in their room. Straight in from the back door was another door which went into the boys' bedroom. They weren't very large rooms, just large enough for a bed, a dressing table, a chest of drawers and maybe a chair and somewhere to hang your clothes. As you went in the back door and turned to your left you would walk down a short hall into the living room/kitchen area. On your left as you walked into the room would be the fireplace. The other part of the room had a table and chairs and a sofa under the window. There was also an old fashioned dresser which had a cupboard underneath and two drawers above the cupboards. The top area was glassed in and this is where we kept our crockery on shelves and hooks. The plates were stood on the shelves held in by a narrow piece of wood. The cups and mugs were held on hooks which were screwed into the edge of the shelf. There were also kitchen cupboards which Dad made. In the corner of the bedrooms a curtain was hung, behind which we would hang our clothes. Out the front was a stable and a cowshed facing the Quarry road. In those days Glen Huon was known as Upper

Huon. The name was changed by public vote in 1913 to Glen Huon. Huonville was called Victoria. The roads were only metal roads and they were very narrow. There was bush both sides of the road and there were very few houses. Wise's house is in about the same place but closer to the road as the original homestead was burnt during the 1967 bush-fires. Charlie Watson's home is in the same place. The Apple House is next to the house. Upstairs in the Apple House is where the working man used to live and Charlie also had a workshop up there as he and his brothers were carpenters following their fathers before them. They were Master Builders in England. Dad was going to build a new house and he had timber stacked to dry in front of the slab house. Mother had some pumpkins placed on top of the timber. Arthur was asked to get a pumpkin and I must have gone with him. The piece of board that was holding the timber apart gave way and I got squashed in the middle. I can remember mother standing me in a bucket of hot water. This was probably to draw out the bruises. Large musk trees grew at the end of the house and a tank at the corner of the house. Around the back was a room that was used as a dairy. This is where we used to scald and separate the milk. We made butter out of the cream that came off the milk. At one stage Mr Bailey, a photographer, took a photo of my parents, my two elder brothers and myself. We were standing by the wall of the stable. Mother must have had a photo taken of myself because Judith and David Thomasson have an enlargement of it. I wore a string of shells which belonged to my mother when she was a girl and I still have the necklace. Another day I

remember being in the slab house when Aunt Harriet and cousin Hilda Brown came. Harriet had a sugar bowl and a small milk jug. They were very pretty and dainty. She wanted to give them to me in return for a kiss. I stood behind my mother because I didn't want to give her a kiss. Mother had a long full dress on with a long white apron and I hid behind that because I was naturally shy and didn't see them very often. She gave them to me any way.

When I was about six years old until I was about ten, I used to stay with my mother's mother most of the time. They lived at Glen Huon in a home on the topside of the Glen Huon Public Hall. Behind there on Watson Road was the Recreation Ground. Grandma used to have poor health and needed someone to help her with the little odd jobs. She had other grand-daughters but she wanted me probably because I was the oldest. Grandma and Grandpa were kind to me but they were very strict. If it hadn't have been for Grandma I would not have learnt to do all the things I know how to do, because Mother used to work outside with Father and didn't have time to teach me. I had to make the beds and sweep and scrub the floors. The floors had to be swept with a hair broom, and if not swept clean enough for the dust test, (a hand wiped over the floor) I had to do it again. On one such occasion when the floor was being swept for the second time, I found a little round old fashioned brooch. It was round with flowers on it and a pin on the back.

This proved to me that maybe I hadn't swept the floor as clean as I thought I had. The brooch is still in my possession to this day. Grandma also taught me how to darn properly and very neatly. We

used to darn the woollen socks and if they were not done properly she would cut the hole out and I would have to do it again. I soon learnt to do it correctly so she did not have to cut them out very often. When I polished the cutlery Grandma had to be able to see her face in it or it would have to be done again. Grandma was good to me even though she was so strict. She once bought me a doll and I had to make the clothes for it. Over the time she bought me little gifts. I soon learned to tell the truth, because every night I had to gather the eggs after school for Mother. I also had to bring in the sticks and bark ready to light the fire for the next morning. One night while gathering the eggs (there were only two this night), I held one in each hand and was waving them up above my head, when woops!! [sic] One hit the other and lucky for me it was only a very fine crack in one of them, but unbeknown to me Granddad (Richard Roberts) was watching me. When I gave them to Grandma I told her that it was cracked in the nest, but Granddad had walked in behind me and showed Grandma what I had done (by holding up his arms and knocking his hands together). I used to wear leather boots and I had very bad chilblains. One day they were so bad that I took my boots off and dunked them in freezing cold water to try and help them. On one occasion I was supposed to go home to visit my parents and Mother had come for me. Grandma did not want me to go, so I went outside under the dray and cried. (I got to go home.)

When I was 13 years old I taught the preparatory classes at the Glen Huon State School for twelve months. I remember receiving the grand sum of ten pounds for the year's salary with which I

purchased a second hand bike which I rode all the time. (When I taught school I was living at home again.) I used to write lessons on the board for the children (grades 1 and 2). The inspector said I would have made a good copy writer as my writing was so neat. I can remember some of the children in my class: they were Arnold Roberts, Roy Woolley, and Victor Buxton. Arnold and Roy could talk properly, but Vic couldn't and used to call himself 'Bikka-Bikka-Bukka'. (He was Perce Buxton's son.) I taught them to say the alphabet backwards. (My father had taught me how to say it.) Mr Buxton saw me in later years and said he could still remember his alphabet backwards. All three boys found it hard to learn and I can remember them squeezing their hands open and shut just trying to learn. When I taught school John Woolley (Gladys' husband) and his sister Minnie started, and were older (8 or 9) so it was harder for me. Cliff Woolley and Clyde Evans and Bernie Fletcher (Nugget) were also older, and very unruly and hard to manage. They were always playing up and not many of the teachers could handle them. Mr Butler was a short man, but knew about these boys, and on his first morning he stood and lectured us all and told the boys he would not take any nonsense, so they soon learned to do as they were told. He always stood close to them and shouted at them and so they shivered in their boots. When Mr Butler and his wife left they wanted to take me with them as I wanted to be a teacher, but mum was ill so I couldn't go with them.

They were at one stage surveying for a railway track up here. The tents and camp were around at Horse Shoe Bend. We used to gather mushrooms for them and mother used to make elderberry wine,

pear wine and laurel wine for them and sell veggies and eggs etc. They stayed there for some time. (No railway ever came here though.) I can remember the phones coming and the electric lights etc. and also the early cars. I was about 10 or 12 when Aunt Eva Roberts taught me how to play the organ. Mum bought a piano with the money that she made from selling honey one year. (She sold half a ton of honey that year.) Then I took lessons from Miss Russell from Huonville and passed my intermediate music exam with honours. The exams were held upstairs near Mr Pople's in Hobart. Mum bought the piano from his place. I never made a really good player because I could never cover a mistake. It was probably because of grandma's upbringing, in the fact that everything had to be done correctly or re-done. I also taught the piano for a few months.

I used to ride the Austral Villias (motor bike) to music. I wanted my brother Eric to take me to music, but he said "The bike is there, you drive it." It had been raining, and Mum and Dad said if I could ride it around to Charlie Watson's and back I could go, so I went and got back ok so I rode to the lessons. When I got to Huonville the men were working on the bridge, and saw me, so I left the bike at the end of the bridge, this side, and walked to my lessons. On my way back the men all downed tools to watch me, which gave me the shakes, so I tried to start it, but it would not go the first time. So I walked it a little way and then tried it again and thank goodness it started so I was on and away as fast as I could. It was unusual for girls to ride in those days. When I got home I was going a little fast to go around the corner, and caught in a deep rut and almost came off.

I just put my foot out and lifted the bike back on the road and went home. Eric had been watching me, thought I had fallen off and so looked all around the bike for a dent, but of course found none. I used to cart the raspberries to Jones' (near the river front in Huonville) in a horse and dray. They used to buy them for jam etc. I used to ride a horse often, both bareback and with a saddle. I can remember one day using the horse and dray and going to get something off the boat. The men were building the wharf at the time and there was only just enough room for me to get the dray through. I think the men thought that I would not make it as when I came through they all cheered me. I used to get very embarrassed easily. I had a few experiences with the horses. Jess was the name of the horse that we first had and was part Arab so had quite a lot of spirit. Sometimes she pretended to be lame and wouldn't go so well. Other times she would bolt and be hard to handle. I used to be the one to catch her most times. I can remember one time Mum and I were coming around the Horse Shoe Bend and there was a wild cherry bush growing on the side of the bank. Mum wanted some, so we pulled the dray close under the bush and then climbed onto the seat, reached up and started to get some cherries. The horse decided to move a little and Mother came tumbling down and landed on her head on the road. Fortunately she didn't hurt herself badly, but she had a big broad brimmed hat on and that saved her a little. Another time we were coming around the same corner when something frightened Jess and she bolted. Mother could not hold her so I took the reins and managed to get her under control. (I was about 14 or 15 at

that time.) Another time one of the Voss boys was going around the same corner in his cart and his horse bolted and ran up over the fender log on the side of the road, causing the dray to tip over, spilled out the young man and he broke his leg. (The corner used to be a very sharp and dangerous one.) It used to go in further than it does now. Fender logs were logs that they used to put alongside of the road at the edge to hold the gravel or metal that was on it. (Quite often just crushed stone.) One other time Harril (my brother) was staying out the bush with some scientists from America who were studying the badgers. Harril had a cabin out there at Ruby Creek where he and sometimes his wife and children stayed. Mum and I and a few others went out to see him on this occasion and I rode Jess down through the bush to meet him. I had closed the gates behind me. I met Harril coming up and he was carrying a badger with him. I told him to give me the badger on the horse so it would be easier. The badger is quite a large and very heavy animal. All went well till we reached a little drain where Jess had to step down over it. She stopped, so I said, "Get up!" She sure did. She jumped, and having no saddle and hanging on to the badger I lost my balance and badger and I rolled off into the ferns and scrub. Old Jess looked around and saw us there on the ground and then took to her heels and bolted. She was caught up at the camp. So Harril had to carry the badger after all. ●

A BRIEF SUMMARY OF SOME EARLY HUON CHURCHES

Betty Fletcher (Member No. 226)

IN October 1870 David CHAPMAN convened a public meeting to form a Reading Club. From this developed the 'Working Men's Club', a forerunner of the library. From the 'Working Men's Club' a resolution was passed at a meeting on 9 December 1870, that W. KNIGHT be communicated with in reference to giving an acre of land for church purposes. W. Knight invited them to select the ground. Mr INNES, the surveyor, surveyed the school block for one guinea, and the acre for the church free of cost.

The church land was to be vested in a trust consisting of Messrs J. B. BOOTHMAN, D. Chapman and W. H. ANDREWARTHA.

During 1873 funds were raised for a Working Men's Hall or Mechanics Institute. It was built in 1883 and named 'Albert Hall' after a Minister at that time, Rev. Albert RIVETT. The Congregational Church was completed in 1877, and officially opened on 6 May, when Rev. J. M. BAYLEY officiated. Mr DEAN addressed the congregation giving a history of the establishment of the Independent and Congregational Churches in the Huon. Other speakers were: Mr HAY of Southport, Mr THWAITES, John GEEVES, Superintendent of the Sabbath School, Mr Andrewartha and Mr JUDD of Strathblane.

Foundation members:

David Chapman, Benjamin DONALDSON, Mr Andrewartha, Peter BROWN, T. ELLIS, Mr BRADSHAW, Mr

McIntosh BROWN, Mr DAVIS, Mr Judd and Mr STUBBS.

Mr Judd and Mr Knight were foundation members of the Strathblane Congregational Church, which was opened in 1889.

A list of a few who worked hard for the Church include Preston REEVE, Mr and Mrs ROTHWELL, Mrs BATCHELOR, T. Ellis, Mrs T. Davis, Mr KILLINGBACK, Mr WOOLLEY and Mr SOLOMON. Mr H. W. (Eck) BROWN was appointed bellringer in 1909. He died in 1957. Mr Don JAGER then tolled the bell, and W. RAPP did so in his absence. Mrs Berdie Brown was Church Secretary for 40 years.

During 1873 Mr MOYES, an Evangelist preacher, visited Port Esperance, and after many were baptised, the Church of Christ became an active body.

The Church of England was opened at Dover in 1892.

METHODIST CHURCH

The church at Ranelagh, previously known as Victoria, commenced during 1856. The pioneer of Methodism in the district was a Mr Reeve who arrived from England in that year. He settled at Rookwood, three miles from Ranelagh, and in 1858 commenced services in his home. Franklin Circuit took charge of home visits and later on services at the church. The following are examples of items which appeared in the first balance sheet in 1897:

painting of the Church one pound,
organ stool ten shillings.

Ranelagh became a Home Mission Station during 1905, with the appointment of Mr W. FITZGERALD. The land for the church and parsonage was a gift from Mr J. SHEPPARD when, in 1931, it was decided to erect a new church. The new building was opened free of debt by the Rev. David LEWIS in 1932. The cost of the building was two hundred and sixty pounds.

In 1952 the Home Mission moved into the Cygnet Parsonage. Cygnet and Ranelagh were then incorporated into the Huon Circuit.

The centenary was celebrated in 1958 with a tea meeting, at which function the centenary cake was cut by Mr and Mrs S. Sheppard. Prior to this, Mrs J. McVILLY, a grand-daughter of Mr Reeve, lit the candle symbolising the flame of Methodism in action for 100 years. During 1958, the Parsonage was altered to allow it to be used as a Sunday School Hall. Proceeds from sale of the Parsonage in 1972 amounted to \$1400.00, and the Church was closed in 1991.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH HUONVILLE

This church was built on land donated by Thomas WALTON who, with his brother William, had purchased land for 12/3d. an acre. They had purchased a square mile of land that took in most of the present town of Huonville. Original members for the establishment of the Church were WRIGHT, SKINNER, WALTON, Judd and HARP.

The wooden church was destroyed by fire in 1871 and replaced by one made of sandstone. The little stone church bore a plaque indicating that it was built in 1872. In 1965, this building suffered the

same fate as the previous one. This gave way to the present building on the site, which was the Westpac Bank.

Early clergymen who preached were William BARNETT, William Geeves, Henry HOPKINS, Rev. R. B. TINNING, Mr WHITING.

ST JAMES CHURCH VICTORIA (NOW RANELAGH)

This church was built in 1855, made of bark and stood at the back of the present cemetery. This building, a temporary one, wherein a marriage was solemnized in 1855, was soon replaced by a brick structure that served until 1880. It was replaced by a larger wooden building on the site of the present structure. This was destroyed by fire in 1896, and the present structure was built in November 1896. ●

APOLOGY/CORRECTION

Our last issue of *Tasmanian Ancestry*, Vol. 21 No. 4, March 2001, included an article titled 'Our Family History Awards' which incorrectly recorded that the **1999 Commercially published book** was won by Claudia Dean with *Cattle King of Van Diemen's Land, William Field (1774-1837)*.

This was actually won by Lois Nyman and Graeme von Bibra for *The von Bibra Story*. Claudia's work won the **2000 Home produced or commercially published book** award.

Our apologies to the authors and thanks to Claudia for her letter.

Editor.

EARLY FOOTBALLERS IN THE HUON

Betty Fletcher (Member No. 226)

The first Liverpool, now Geeveston, football team in 1887 had the following members.

BENNETT F.	EXTER C.	HARWOOD A.
BRITCLIFFE E.	FORMAN W.	HARWOOD W.
BURGESS E.	GEEVES Alf	HILL F.
BURGESS J.	GEEVES D.	MORAN J.
CLARK J.	GEEVES J.	MORAN J.
CONNORS P.	GEEVES J.	PRITCHARD O.
COSTAIN E.	HANKIN A.	PRITCHARD O.
DWYER E.	HANKIN A.	RILEY C.
EXTER C.	HARWOOD A.	STUDLEY H.

Their playing oval was a roughly cleared paddock on the property of Richard HILL.

In 1888 the members of the Franklin team were –

CLARK B.	JOLLEY D.	NORRIS J.
COLEMAN B.	JOLLEY E.	NORRIS W. (CAPT.)
COLEMAN W.	KENNEDY W.	RYAN R.
FULTON J.	LEITCH J.	WATSON B.
GALLAGHER P.	McGARRY B.	WATSON S.
GRIGGS V.	McGARRY M.	WATSON T.
HEFFERNAN E.	McMULLEN J.	

Their playing ground was at Woodstock on the property of J. W. KELLAWAY. They remained playing here until the early 1900s.

Franklin and Liverpool Football teams played their first officially recognised match on 24 May 1887, when they met at Kellaway's paddock. ●

RURAL LIFE IN EARLY HUON



Glen Huon Orchard 1883



Land Clearing in the Huon before 1900

THE 2001 CENSUS

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER CENSUS NIGHT?

Ted Ling—National Archives of Australia

THE next census takes place on 7 August this year. As part of the Centenary of Federation celebrations, for the first time all Australians will have a chance to decide whether they want their census return to be kept for posterity in a 'Census Time Capsule'. If you tick the 'yes' box on your return, it will be microfilmed, stored in high security vaults by the National Archives and released to the public in 99 years' time.

The Archives will ensure that the microfilming is completed to a very high standard and that the films are then kept absolutely secure. We have extensive experience in providing secure storage for highly sensitive records—including those that deal with national security and intelligence matters—and we have a very impressive track record.

What happens to your census returns?

After 7 August all returns will be taken to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) data processing centre in Sydney, where they will be digitally scanned and ABS will extract the statistical data it needs. This process happens for every census, so you can be assured that the quality of the scanning will be extremely high to meet the demanding requirements of ABS.

When the statistical data has been collected, the scanned returns will be made ready for microfilming. As a single return might contain information for up to six people in the one household, there will probably be occasions where different people recorded on a single return have differing views about whether

they want their information to be kept. The scanner will be able to separate the images for those who want to have their information retained from those who do not. All identifying data for those people who tick the 'no' box, or who leave the question unanswered, will be permanently erased. ABS will keep the statistical data for these people, but not their names or addresses.

Microfilm to last 500 years

Returns from all who tick the 'yes' box will then be microfilmed. They will be copied onto 16mm, archival quality, silver-halide polyester-based microfilms which have a life expectancy of 500 years. Filming will be conducted using a machine known as a digital archive writer. The machine will create a positive microfilm copy of the images at 40x reduction, and the films will be processed to established international archival microfilming standards.

Quality checks will be in place to ensure that the images compiled for the filming are complete and correct. Any images that have been rejected will be re-processed from the digital images. Any films that do not satisfy quality requirements will be replaced with completely new films. Splicing of partially rejected film rolls will not be accepted. The Archives will also maintain copies of the processing data for each batch of film so it can use that information for the future management and care of the films.

Several additional tests will be carried out, including the methylene blue test,

which is performed at regular intervals to ensure there are no impurities or chemical residues left on the films after processing.

After the filming has been completed all original returns will be destroyed.

How many rolls of microfilm will there be?

This is dependent on how many people tick the 'yes' box. If we assume for example that about 50% of the population agree to their information being kept, then we estimate there will be between 4,000 and 5,000 rolls of film. At least two sets of films will be produced.

Storing the films

The films will be transferred to the Archives progressively as they pass all the quality checks. They will all be in the Archives' care by late 2002, and their secure storage will then be our responsibility for the next 99 years. The films will be held in high security vaults, and each set of films will be stored in a different facility as an added safeguard.

The films will be inspected from time to time by our conservators to ensure there is no deterioration. No other access will be permitted. The films cannot be accessed by any other government agency—including the police or taxation—so you can be assured the information will be totally secure. The Archives Act 1983 was amended last year to provide severe penalties for any unauthorised access to the census records.

Fast forward—99 years from now

All the information in the films will be released to the public in 99 years—on 7 August 2100.

The order in which the census returns will be scanned and filmed will reflect the order in which they have been collected, that is by census district. A census district can be a town, suburb or part of a

suburb. The Archives will keep an index that links each census district to each roll of microfilm. When the films are made publicly accessible, name and address indexes will also be available, so your descendants will have no difficulty finding information about you.

Safe and secure

The National Archives prides itself on its ability to provide safe and secure storage for national security material and we will do the same for all census data. Our role does not end when the films are first released to the public. We will go on storing them long after the 99-year restriction period has expired.

So, if you are thinking about ticking the 'yes' box but are concerned about the security of the information, I hope these words will allay your fears.

And finally

The issue of keeping returns for each census after 2001 has not yet been resolved and will be considered by the government at a future stage. The results of the 2001 census will have some bearing on what happens in the future. We hope that many people will tick the 'yes' box on 7 August and have their place in the Centenary of Federation Census Time Capsule. ●

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OLD FAMILY HOMES

Rose E. Webster, Glen Huon

Pleasant Banks

Glen Huon, 8 April 1994

As I came up the paddock in the swiftly falling dusk of this autumn evening, lines of a poem were forming in my mind but they are gone and I guess they will not come back in the exact same words.

The cottage sits lonely and silent now,
Where once it was lighted by candle glow,
The voices are long since silent too,
And the family long laid low.
No house-cow lows in the quiet dusk,
No warm milk, carried by pail,
No dairy with crocks of yellow cream,
No pony tied to the rail.
No garden surrounds the cottage now,
No picket fence or gate,
No friendly tree or little shed,
No chairs or sofas or tables or beds,
Yet in fancy I hear the friendly sounds
Of hens and chickens, cat and hounds,
Children's voices happy and shrill
Echoing over valley and hill
And a mother calling them in for tea.
Ah! Sweet are these feelings that come to me.

Stephen J. WOOLLEY told me in 1980 that the cottage was the home of his great grandparents, William VOSS and his wife.

This Was Home

6 November 1986

This was home, those sweet, dear years ago—the derelict, forgotten, empty shell,

This chimney stack and roofless living room were dearer once than this new pen can tell.

Here the mother baked her crusty bread, here she pegged her linen on the line;

Here, she tucked her children into bed, and hung her pictures on the wall of pine.

Here she rocked each baby by the fire, or, soothed their fears and childhood maladies;

Here with hands that never seemed to tire, she scrubbed and polished on her bended knees.

Here she tended vegetables and flowers; and bottled fruit against a time of need;

Here she toiled for many weary hours; honest work was part of the mother's creed.

Here, the father brought her as a bride; here they lived their vows, through all the years;

To honour, love and cherish whatever may betide; through joy and sorrow, happiness and tears.

Here, they shared together, good and bad,
taught their children thrift and honesty;

Just an ordinary Mum and Dad, who raised and loved a happy family.

Those dear years have vanished, like a dream;
the shed, some shrubs and two or three fruit trees,

Now bear a testimony of that home, with all its dear and tender memories.

The George Voss cottage, Dean's Road, Glen Huon, was later purchased and renovated into a lovely new home by Michael KING.

Vanishing Homes

1986

I sit alone as twilight falls on a cold and lonesome night,

And look at a cottage—with crumbling walls—

In the swiftly fading light.

The bitter wind hits on the dear old roof,

And sweeps by its once strong doors.

It rattles the shattered window panes

And the debris on the floor.

Cattle tread where the garden grew,

And chew on the few old shrubs.

I think on the times of other years,

When the cottage was snug and warm,

With a welcoming light in the windows,

And a shelter from wind and storm.

I think of the children's laughter

And the sounds of a day now gone

And wonder anew of the wastage

Of many a dear old home.

Doesn't anyone care for the memories

That were made in days gone by

Are these homes but prey for the weather

As they're left to slowly die?

Ah, man in our ceaseless seeking

For something of greater worth,

We forget that these dear old treasures

Were once the best homes on earth. ●

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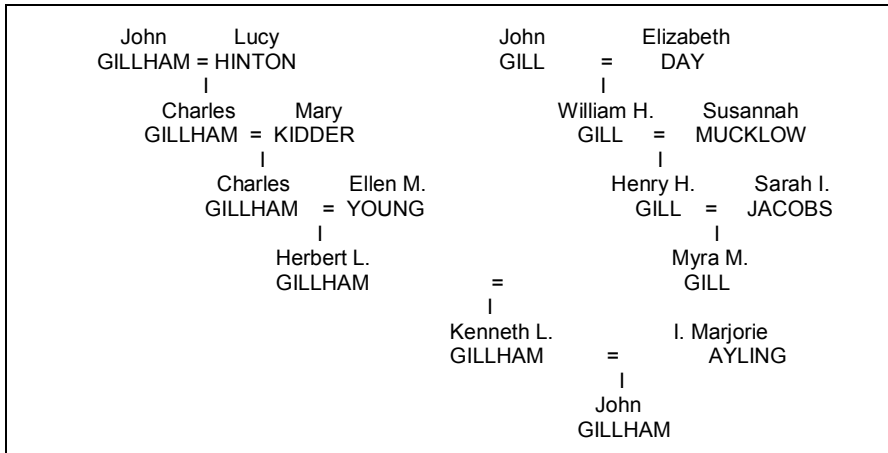
John Gillham (Member No. 5030)

ADVICE often given when commencing to compile a family history and genealogy, is to seek out all the older members of the family and gather all the information available from them—oral history, documents and photographs. As the following will demonstrate, family memory can be very useful, but at the same time it can be a curse. Considerable effort is often required to separate fact from fiction. Only in retrospect may it become apparent why fiction was created, initially on oral histories, and then committed to written family histories. Sometimes these fictions arise as simple transcription errors in early records, even official records, or errors in converting oral history to a written family record. Other fictions are derived from a deliberate obscuring of a socially less acceptable position. In this regard, family members are held to be more important in their society than their actual status, so it has been common to cover up convict ancestry.

The following will demonstrate two convict cover-ups. Another example will show a story which has all the attributes of a cover-up but after a great deal of research was found to be fact, not fiction.

Related family history in the GILL/GILLHAM families indicated that at some time a family name had been changed. It was not indicated in which family the change had occurred. The immediate supposition was that the Gill name had been changed from MCGILL or some variant to Gill for a distant political reason. No evidence of any such change has been discovered at least as far as the Gill/DAY marriage in about 1780.

The next suspect was Gillham. This evolved from early research by a family member in the 1920s in England. Investigations at the time failed to find any Gillham ancestry prior to John Gillham (1765–1858) leading to the supposition that his name had been changed by Anglicising the French name Guillaume following his or his families’



departure from France. There is no evidence supporting this proposition.

Following an examination of records for the county of Bedfordshire, in which he appears to have spent all or at least most of his life, it became evident that the name Gillham and some of its variants, including Gilham and Gillam, which could hardly be considered changes of name, was a name of long standing in that county, at least to the 16th century.

After these investigations, another possibility appeared in the Gill family. It was noted that two of the GILL/JACOBS children included McLOWE (variably McLOW) in their names. This was taken to be the family name of their paternal grandmother Susannah. No mystery or change of name there, except that no origin could be found for such a person coming to Tasmania at the time and in the manner related in the oral history of the family. It was believed that she arrived as a ladies' companion to a woman who came to Tasmania in the early 1830s to marry the State Governor. This is fiction. Susannah arrived as Susannah MUCKLOW in 1833 on the *George Hibbert* as cabin passenger in company with the BILTON family, their servant and two others, presumably young ladies, the Misses McRAE and RICKETTS. This investigation achieved two results in the story: the circumstances of the arrival of Susannah and more importantly, that her family name was Mucklow and not McLow. Perhaps this is the change of name referred to in the oral family histories but only further research and time will tell.

Family oral history relates that Sarah Inez JACOBS, later the wife of Henry H. Gill was an orphan of Spanish Jewish descent, adopted and raised by an eminent local

family. This appears to be a grand cover-up of a convict ancestry. It is noted the Henry Gill (1840–1914) became a prominent person in Tasmania including serving for 10 years as a Member of the House of Assembly for the period 1887 to 1897 in the seat of Kingborough. Without too much effort the family of Sarah Inez was identified.

Her father was Samuel Jacobs, transported in 1841 following trial in the Central Criminal Court, London in 1839, receiving a sentence of transportation for 10 years for larceny. His convict record shows his religion as 'Jew'. In 1848, he married an Ann WILLIAMS and following the birth of Sara Inez in 1849, they produced a large family of twelve children, the last being born in 1869.

As for the oral history: Sarah Inez was certainly no orphan. Was she reared by another family? Records indicate that she had a sister born the same year who died in December 1850. Was their mother Ann able to rear two babies? Further research may shed some light on this point. She was of Jewish descent. Of note is the marriage of her parents at St Georges, Battery Point. There may be an element of truth in the Spanish connection as some London Jews were descended from those who left Spain in earlier centuries.

During this research a curious coincidence was noted. There appears to have been another Samuel Jacobs in Tasmania. He was also a convict, sentenced in 1800 to 7 years transportation. He also was a Jew. He arrived in Tasmania on the *Calcutta* in 1804. He was buried in the Jewish Cemetery, Sydney in 1841.

Investigations to date have exposed a cover-up of convict ancestry intermixed with some fact.

A further element of the family history stated that the first member of the YOUNG family arrived in Australia as a member of the New South Wales Corps, rising in rank to Staff Sergeant in the pay section and on return to England of the Corps as the 102nd Regiment, he transferred to the replacing 73rd Regiment gaining the position of Quartermaster. Quite an impressive beginning for a life in a new colony. A substantial part of this story is fact. However, as is commonly found, there is an element of fiction, being another convict ancestry cover-up.

Samuel YOUNG did arrive with the NSW Corps, but not part of the Corps. He arrived on the *Royal Admiral* in 1792, as a convict and was pardoned conditionally on joining the NSW Corps.

Another mixing of fact and fiction.

During research into the Gillham ancestry in the 1920s referred to previously, it was recorded that through the KIDDER family, an ancestor was an Archbishop of Dublin. At face value this seemed to be an interesting, if improbable, story and consequently put aside in favour of more immediate and more easily researched local section of the family history.

Investigation has now shown that history as passed on was fact, even though it appeared possibly to be fiction. The trace to Archbishop Adam LOFTUS, DD (1533–1605) went through the Kidder family. This research has provided a considerable insight into the Anglo-Irish politics of the Elizabethan era. Adam Loftus was a player of some significance in the politics of Ireland, not only as Archbishop, but also as Lord High Chancellor of Ireland and a member of the Irish council. As appeared common in his day, hard work by those in high office was not only for

the benefit of society, but for the benefit of their families.

Family records can also be a fiction. The written Gillham family history passed down showed that John Gillham (1765–1858) married a Lucy COTTON from Clapham near Bedford. Considerable investigation failed to find any Lucy Cotton. Eventually the marriage record for John Gillham was found. He had married in Bedford in 1790 a Lucy HINTON from the village of Fotton in the eastern part of Bedfordshire.

Could this simply be an error of transcription from a passed down oral history to a written history? The transposition of ‘*a Lucy Hinton from Fotton*’ to ‘*a Lucy Cotton from Clapham*’ can easily be imagined. A case perhaps of a fiction being an accidental corruption of a fact.

There is no doubt that all researchers of family history will come across fictions disguised and even sworn as facts. The problem really arises when a fiction is of long standing and has been created to deliberately make a better ancestry and so enhance the self esteem of a descendant and sometimes their social standing. Such has been the common practice of the cover-up of convict ancestors.

All oral history, and even old written family histories based on oral sources, should be questioned and wherever possible verified by an independent source. For matters where official records exist, this is usually possible. For other matters, it may be very difficult if not impossible. Old family histories may appear to be corroborated by distant relatives, but these are usually not truly independent as they have a common source near the origin.

Sorting fact from fiction provides some of the pleasures as well as the frustrations of genealogical research. ●

FROM REBEL TO FREEDOM

Joan Balmer (Member No. 1985)

IT is not all that many years ago that to acknowledge the existence of a convict forebear was considered 'not very nice'. However, I think the life of my great-grandfather is worth telling.

William HEARD was one of many transported to Van Diemen's Land for crimes committed against the British laws of the day. He was born in Halstead, Essex in 1813, the son of John and Sarah HEARD and baptised in the Halstead Parish Church on 20 April 1813. His ancestry can be traced back to his great-grandparents William and Mary (née GREEN), married at Halstead in July 1737.

On 20 April 1830, he was tried in Essex and convicted of obtaining money by false pretences and sentenced to Van Diemen's Land for a period of 7 years. He arrived in Hobart Town on 28 January 1831 on the convict ship *John*.

William was a rebel from the day he arrived in the colony. He was continually in trouble, the consequence being that his sentence was extended by another 6 years. *Absenting himself from a work party, and preferring a groundless and malicious report against his master* were typical charges.

During this time he was working on chain gangs at Grass Tree Hill and Constitution Hill in the lower Midlands area.

In February 1835, he was sent to Port Arthur for more severe discipline. This did not seem to stop him from 'going fishing' which earned him 10 days' hard labour on the chain gang. Later in the year he was sentenced to two days in solitary confinement on bread and water.

He just could not conform and suffered so much in consequence. After several more misdemeanours and punishments, his conduct improved and he was sent to a work gang at Oatlands where he was granted his Ticket of Leave on 29 March 1839. It was not until 1845 that he was finally granted his Free Certificate. His original sentence in 1830 had, through his own non-acceptance of authority, lengthened to 15 years.

On 15 January 1844, before he was freed from servitude, William HERD (Heard), then aged 30 years, married 18 year old Emma Sophia GUNYON at St James Church, Jericho. There were eleven children of the marriage all registered in the name HURD.

One of those eleven children, my grandfather Samuel Hurd, was born on 3 January 1856 at Oatlands. When he was 25, he married Evaline FLEMMING, 19 years, at Hobart on 31 March 1881, at the residence of a Mr SCOLES of Murray Street, by the Rev. John Wilkes SIMMONS.

Grandfather worked on the railways for many years until an unfortunate accident forced him to retire. They resided in Forster Street, New Town. He and his wife Eva had three children, all boys:

Samuel Charles	born 22 August 1882
Arthur Edward	12 December 1885
Henry Perrimore	18 April 1888

Eva passed away on 2 June 1893. Samuel married Alice ALOMES on 26 February 1898 at St Johns Church, New Town.

I am the only child of Arthur Edward Hurd and his wife Pearl Frederica ALOMES who married at the Kangaroo Valley Mission School 24 June 1914. ●

POST OFFICES IN THE HUON AREA

Betty Fletcher (Member No. 226)

CASTLEFORBES BAY:

Opened: 16 October 1879

Remarks: Originally in three words.

HASTINGS:

Opened: 14 July 1875

Remarks: **Southport Narrows**, PO from about 1877—1878.

HONEYWOOD:

Opened: 1 August 1869

Remarks: On the **Huon River**, PO from 1 August 1870.

HUON (FRANKLIN) (Later FRANKLIN)

Opened: c1867

Remarks: The earliest circular date stamp reads **Franklin Huon**, the later ones **Franklin**.

HUON TRACK:

Opened: 1860

Remarks: PO from 1876

Later **LESLIE**:

Opened: 7 August 1885

Later **LONGLEY**:

Opened: 31 December 1888

Remarks: Later closed; reopened c1897—1898

HUONVILLE:

Opened: 25 May 1889

Remarks: Name changed from **Victoria-Huon**.

IDA BAY:

Opened: 1 September 1886

Remarks: **Near Southport** PO

Closed 6 July 1896

Reopened 1 March 1900.

LONGLEY:

Opened: 1 October 1879

Later **LOWER LONGLEY**

Opened: 3 December 1888

Closed: 23 September 1898

Remarks: **Huon Road**, **County of Buckingham** PO.

LONNAVALE:

Opened: 6 July 1937

Closed: 1 September 1969

Remarks: Free bag from 1937 to 9 September 1945, then Post Office Agency. Telegraph/Telephone Offices only from 1 February 1969.

MARGATE:

Opened: 1 July 1866

Remarks: As **North-West Bay** PO from 1 September 1869

MOUNTAIN RIVER:

Opened: 1 August 1888

Closed: 31 December 1894

Remarks: Renamed **Ranelagh Junction**.

PORT CYGNET:

(Later **LOVETT**), now **CYGNET**

Opened: 1 July 1895.

PORT ESPERANCE:**(Later DOVER)**

Opened: 1 July 1895

RANELAGH:

Opened: 14 September 1910

Closed: 20 October 1978

Remarks: **Junction** dropped from the name.**RANELAGH JUNCTION:**

Opened: 1 January 1895

Closed: 13 September 1910

Remarks: Renamed **Ranelagh**. Formerly **Mountain River**.**UPPER HUON:**

Opened: 1 August 1907

Closed: 4 July 1910

SURGES BAY:

Opened: 1 August 1869

Later **WATERLOO:**

Opened: 16 December 1889

Remarks: 'On the Huon River', closed before 1900. A new PO with the name of **Surges Bay** was opened 1 January 1890.**VICTORIA:**

Opened: 1 January 1856

Closed: 24 May 1889

Remarks: Renamed **Huonville**. A Mail Receiving Office only until 1867, then a Post Office Agency.**WOODSTOCK:**

Opened: 17 July 1879

Remarks: 'Huon River'.

NEWS FROM

PRO VICTORIA

FOUND in the latest issue of **PROactive**, No. 23, Autumn 2001, the Magazine published quarterly by the Public Record Office of Victoria ...

Short cut to ordering probate records

The *Probate Database 1841-1963* that for many years has only been available in PROV search rooms is now on our website at **www.provvic.gov.au**

The database provides a very quick and easy means of identifying which PROV series and units contain the wills, probate and/or administration files you have located in the *Probate Index*.

The details you obtain from the database, combined with the item details from the *Probate Index*, are sufficient to allow you to order records by phone, fax or email, in advance of your visit.

Immigration to Victoria updated

Immigration to Victoria, the index to unassisted passengers arriving in Victoria on ships disembarking from British and foreign ports, has been updated to include the decade 1880-89. During these years 220 000 passengers arrived in Victoria: 190 000 on ships from British ports and 30 000 from foreign ports.

The updated index, covering the period 1852 to 1889, can be searched on **www.vic.gov.au/prov/unassisted1.asp**

The new Victorian Archives building was officially opened on 9 November last year. Researchers continue to use the Melbourne Archives Centre at Level 2, Casselden Place, 2 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne VIC 3000 ☎ (03) 9285 7999●

A DIVERSITY OF ORIGINS

John Gillham (Member No. 5030)

THE early settlement of Australia afforded a wide diversity of origins both in a geographical and a socio-economic sense. While the circumstances of arrival in Australia, including Tasmania, of all of my ancestral families are not yet known, the majority are known and show quite a diversity of origins, particularly when considering their socio-economic background: from convict upward. When considering the number of families involved it is somewhat surprising to find

a relative lack of diversity in geographic origin. The time scale of arrival is relatively short, all having arrived by the 1860s.

The following ancestral tables show those who came to Australia in bold lettering.

Charles GILLHAM (1834–1896)

Charles was the sixth of thirteen children born to Charles Gillham and Mary KIDDER between 1825 and 1844. Charles and Mary were married in London in 1824. The first two children

R John GILLHAM (1940–)	Kenneth L GILLHAM (1913–1981)	Herbert L GILLHAM (1877–1946)	Charles GILLHAM (1834–1896)	
			Ellen M YOUNG (1835–1883)	See Table 2
		Myra M GILL (1883–1942)	Henry H GILL (1840–1914)	See Table 3
			Sara I JACOBS (1849–1914)	See Table 4
	Isabel M AYLING (1914–1994)	John AYLING (1883–1977)	Thomas A AYLING (1856–1921)	See Table 5
			Caroline I BECK (1859–1938)	See Table 6
		Bertha M LESTER (1884–1968)	Herbert LESTER (1854–1920)	See Table 7
			Jane F HALLETT (1856–1891)	See Table 8

Table 1

were born in London, the next five in Birmingham and the last six in Liverpool. While the circumstances of Charles' parents are not known it appears that they were reasonably comfortable as their children were well educated, three of the girls becoming teachers.

At the age of 22, Charles migrated to Tasmania in 1856. He was an accountant. In the same year his younger brother Henry, at the age of 17, migrated to Sydney 'for the good of his health' (he had not long recovered from rheumatic fever). Henry took up employment as a clerk in a shipping company and in later years, in banking.

Of the thirteen children five migrated: one son to Tasmania, one to NSW, one to USA, and one to Australia but died on the voyage and one daughter migrated to South Africa. Two, a son and a daughter, died in childhood.

In 1858 Charles married Ellen Matilda YOUNG and raised a family of nine children including two sons, Charles and William, who by the turn of the century had established the building firm of Gillham Bros, their notable works including the Church of St Raphael, Fern Tree in 1892, the City Hall, Hobart in 1914 and the rebuilding of St Peters, Sandy Bay in 1918.

Ellen M. Young was born in Tasmania in 1835, the granddaughter of Samuel Young, an early assisted immigrant to Australia.

Samuel YOUNG (c1763–1837)

While the circumstances of his early life and his conviction are not to hand, the details of his arrival in Australia are well recorded. He arrived in Sydney as a convict on the *Royal Admiral* on 7 October 1792, having left England on 30 May as part of the 4th Fleet. The ship also carried a portion of the New South Wales

Corps raised in England for service in the Colony. On arrival he was pardoned conditionally on joining the NSW Corps.

Ellen M YOUNG (1835– 1883)	William S YOUNG (1802– 1866)	Samuel YOUNG (c1763– 1837)
		Ann EADES (c1783– 1829)
	Elizabeth R JILLETT (c1806– 1879)	Robert JILLETT (c1757– 1829)
		Elizabeth BRADSHAW (c1775– 1842)

Table 2

By 1798, he had gained the rank of Staff Sergeant in the pay section under Capt. John McArthur, Acting Paymaster. In 1810 he was one of the few who joined the replacement regiment, Macquarie's 73rd Regiment as Quartermaster.

In 1800 he married Ann EADES in Sydney. The date of his arrival in Tasmania is uncertain. By 1818 he is recorded as being on public rations with his family including three children. The year before, 1817 (March), a report in the *Hobart Town Gazette and Southern Reporter* indicated that he was a constable in Hobart. Four children were born in Parramatta up to 1809. Also in that year, he is recorded as having property in the township of Parramatta.

In total he had a family of eleven children including William Samuel Young (1802–1866), master mariner, whaler and ship owner of Hobart, the father of Ellen Matilda Young.

Ann EADES (c1783–1829)

Ann was born in Birmingham to Joseph Eades (c1768–1796) and Catherine MILLER. She came to Australia at the age of 6 arriving on 26 June 1790 on the *Surprize* in the 2nd Fleet.

Her father, Joseph, enlisted as a private in the New South Wales Corps on 25 June 1789. On 23 January 1796 he drowned in Sydney Harbour having fallen while cutting rushes for the roof of the family hut. A benefit performance of a play raised £12 for Catherine and her family of five children (one of their children seems to have had died prior to their arrival in Australia). Following Joseph's death, Catherine married James BRACKENRIG, also in the NSW Corps.

Ann, at the age of 16 married Samuel Young in Sydney on 28 April 1800.

Robert JILLET (c1757–1829)

Robert appears to have had quite an eventful life before his arrival in Australia, as is evident from his conviction record (the second one). At the age of 36 he was convicted in January 1797 for returning from transportation before the expiration of his sentence, and was re-sentenced to transportation for life. The record of his trial showed that his name Robert GILLET (later Jillett) was an alias, his real name being Thomas ELSTON. He departed from England on 23 December 1798, leaving a family including five children, and arrived aboard the *Hillsborough* on 26 July 1799.

In Sydney in 1803, he was sentenced to death for stealing but was reprieved at the gallows. A full report of his trial and subsequent reprieve appears in *The Sydney Gazette and New South Wales Advertiser* of the day. In spite of reprieve he was sent to Norfolk Island departing on the *Buffalo* on 21 April 1803.

While on Norfolk Island he associated with Elizabeth BRADSHAW. Three children, including Elizabeth Rebecca were born on Norfolk Island in the name of Jillett. She also had three other children in the name of Bradshaw : a daughter born in Coventry, a son in Port Jackson, and another son on Norfolk Island. It appears likely that their association existed prior to his departure for Norfolk Island.

On the abandonment of Norfolk Island the family, including five children, departed on 1 March 1808 on the *Lady Nelson*, Robert at this time apparently being free.

Robert and Elizabeth eventually married at St David's, Hobart in 1812. Subsequently four more children were born in Hobart.

Daughter Elizabeth Rebecca, born in Norfolk Island in 1806 or 1807, baptised in Hobart in 1810, married William S. Young in Hobart on 27 July 1825 in St David's, Hobart.

Elizabeth R. BRADSHAW (c1775–1842)

Elizabeth arrived in Sydney with her family in 1799 on the same voyage of the *Hillsborough* as Robert Jillett. Her husband Thomas Bradshaw was also a convict. It seems that Thomas died either during the latter part of the voyage or soon after arrival in Sydney, although no record of his death appears in the NSW death register.

She is recorded as being a resident of Sydney in 1801, and by 1802 was dealing in land on Norfolk Island. By the time of her departure, she had 15½ acres of cleared land and 68½ uncleared which qualified her for land grants in Tasmania on her arrival.

William Henry GILL (1796–1882)

At the age of 26 William came to Tasmania as a lieutenant in the army, arriving on 30 December 1822 on the *Regalia*. Prior to leaving England he was a drawing master at a school.

During his early years in Tasmania, he appears to have had a number of occupations including farming. In 1826 he was granted 1000 acres and in 1828, he rented land in Tea Tree. From 1835–37 he was the licensee of the *Star and Garter Wine Vaults* in Elizabeth Town (New Norfolk). By 1848, he had gained a public service position as a senior clerk in the Audit Department, later becoming chief clerk retiring with a government pension. He had earlier attempted to join the public service, applying for a position in the Survey Department in 1828.

In later years he held interest in property on the East Coast, sometimes in association with his sons.

On 6 August 1839 he married Susannah MUCKLOW (1805–1892) at St. Georges, Battery Point. Their four children included Henry Horatio Gill (1840–1914) who in the period 1887–97 was a Member of the house of Assembly for the seat of Kingborough.

Henry H GILL (1840–1914)	William H GILL (1796–1882)
	Susannah MUCKLOW (1805–1892)

Table 3

Susannah MUCKLOW (1805–1892)

Susannah came to Tasmania, arriving on 27 April 1833 in the *George Hibbert*. She came as a cabin passenger in company with a family, their servant, and two other young ladies.

Nothing is currently known of her circumstances in England.

She married William Henry Gill in Hobart in 1839.

Samuel JACOBS (c1822–1893)

At the age of 17, Samuel, a London Jew, was convicted in the Central Criminal Court, London in 1839 and sentenced to transportation for 10 years for larceny. His convict record indicates that he was able to read and write, having the trade of bricklayer, sawyer and labourer.

After a somewhat troubled period in detention, he was granted his Ticket of Leave in May 1847, Conditional Pardon in June 1849 and his Free Certificate in November 1849.

In October 1848 he was granted permission to marry. In November of that year he married Ann Williams (c1828–1892). The first of their eleven children was Sarah Inez born in 1849 who later married Henry H. Gill (1840–1914).

Sara I JACOBS (1849–1914)	Samuel JACOBS (c1822–1893)
	Ann WILLIAMS (c1828–1892)

Table 4

Ann WILLIAMS (c1828–1892)

Her ancestry and origin is unknown.

Rev. John AYLING (1825–1897)

John, born 26 December 1825, was, with his twin brother George, the eldest of a family of eight children, four being sons, of a Wandsworth, London shoe and boot maker. The father, George was a deacon of the Wandsworth Independent chapel for many years, retiring in 1866, where all the children were baptised.

Thomas A AYLING (1856–1921)	John AYLING (Rev.) (1826–1897)
	Mary A DALTON (1823–1903)

Table 5

At the age of 20 John preached his first sermon in Sussex. There is no evidence to date of any special religious training until after his arrival in Australia.

In Wandsworth on 6 January 1847 he married Mary Ann DALTON (1823–1903). They were to raise eight children, three of whom failed to reach adulthood. Despite the difficult times of their upbringing they were all well educated.

In 1849, and with his first son, he left England on the *Simplah*, arriving in Port Adelaide on 22 December. All four brothers left England for either Australia or New Zealand. The first was younger brother Thomas who arrived in New South Wales earlier in 1849, followed by John, and then his twin George who arrived in South Australia in 1855; the youngest son Nathaniel left for New Zealand some years after their father's death.

On arrival in Adelaide, John commenced study for ministry in the Congregational Church and on ordination, took up an appointment in the Barossa Valley in 1854. By 1861 the demands of a growing family, six children, led to his resignation and departure for Goulburn, New South Wales, where he resided until 1870. During this time his employment included that of Headmaster of the Presbyterian Church School. From Goulburn he took up the Presbyterian ministry at Port Macquarie, followed by Scone, and finally Port Hedland and Pitt

Town near Richmond, NSW. During this last ministry he lectured at Hawkesbury Agricultural College in beekeeping. He was for a time the president of the National Beekeepers Association of New South Wales.

Mary Ann DALTON (1823–1903)

Little is known of her origins other than that she probably grew up in the Wandsworth area of London being baptised and married there.

She accompanied her husband, John Ayling to Australia in 1849.

William BECK (1820–1914)

Born in London, he migrated to Sydney in about 1849 with his wife and one daughter. At an age of over 70 his father Robert also came to Sydney. Nine children were born into the family, two sons dying as infants.

Fourth daughter Caroline Isabel married Thomas Arthur Ayling (1856–1921) in 1883.

Charlotte Emma DYKE (1828–1904)

Little is known of Charlotte other than her marriage to William BECK in Brighton, Sussex in July 1847, and that she accompanied him to Sydney in about 1849.

Caroline I BECK (1859–1938)	William BECK (1820–1914)
	Charlotte E DYKE (1828–1904)

Table 6

Clement LESTER (-1906)

Clement was the son of James Lester, solicitor of Ashford, Kent. Details of his arrival in Australia are to date unknown.

At the time of son Herbert's birth, 1854, they were resident in Adelaide. Herbert

married Jane Fanny HALLETT in Sydney in 1879.

Herbert LESTER (1854–1920)	Clement LESTER (–1906)
	Deborah ? (–1909)

Table 7

In 1884 as a JP, Clement moved to Parramatta to become magistrate. He held the same position in Sydney for many years, including a period as presiding officer of the Metropolitan Water Police Court.

His wife Deborah, of whom nothing is currently known, survived him, dying in 1909.

Thomas HALLETT (–1880)

Of the origins of Thomas and his wife Jane, little is currently known other than that they both died in Morpeth, New South Wales, and that their eldest daughter, Jane Fanny who married Herbert LESTER (1854–1920) in 1878, was born in Sydney in 1856.

Jane F HALLETT (1856–1891)	Thomas HALLETT (–1880)
	Jane ? (–1887)

Table 8

Summary of Circumstances of Ancestor Arrival

NAME	PERIOD	CIRCUMSTANCE
Charles Gillham	1850s	Free settler
Samuel Young	1790s	4 th Fleet convict
Ann Eades	1790s	Wife of NSW Corp private: 2 nd Fleet
Robert Jillett	1790s	Convict
Elizabeth Bradshaw	1790s	Free : wife of convict
William H Gill	1820s	Army lieutenant
Susannah Mucklow	1830s	Free settler
Samuel Jacobs	1840s	Convict
John Ayling	1840s	Free settler
Mary A Dalton	1840s	Wife of free settler, John Ayling
William Beck	1840s	Free settler
Charlotte E Dyke	1840s	Wife of free settler, William Beck
Clement Lester	?	Free settler

Table 9

Of the ancestors for whom details of their arrival in Australia is currently known a diversity of circumstances of arrival is

evident. It seems that this family group may well be typical of the variety of early settlers of Australia. ●

THE GIBBENS FAMILY

AND ADDITIONAL STORY TO THE ALBERTON FETE A BALL IN THE BOWELS OF THE EARTH

Lois Wawra (Member No. 1856)

THE story from the Launceston *Examiner* of 8 May 1998 submitted by Kathleen Alexander (*Tasmanian Ancestry*, Vol. 20 Number 4, March 2000) has prompted me to add to the story. I have an article from the *Advertiser*, a Tasmanian North East Coast newspaper complete with advertising for Scottsdale and Branxholm businesses, amongst them SCOTT & RAPLEY of the 'Road Side Store', Branxholm and H. G. SALVER and Sons of 'The Grove', Scottsdale. This was a cutting from the Launceston *Daily Telegraph* of 19 April 1898.

The article describes the details of the Ball within the bowels of Mount Victoria given by Mr W. BROWN on behalf of the management of the Ringarooma Gold Mining Company.

It was my grandmother, the former Miss Hilda GIBBENS, later Mrs George FRY, who was given the honour of performing the opening of the mine chamber that evening.

I believe Hilda was chosen to perform the opening as she was the niece of Mr Brown. William spent many years mining and prospecting on the NE Coast.

William Alfred BROWNE (correct spelling) later became Superintendent of Police in Hobart in 1919.¹ The mine was called the Rosalind Mine² after Hilda's future mother-in-law Rosalind Fry née CLEAVER.

The description of the event is as follows:

Between 8 o'clock and 5 this morning one of the most unique functions ever

recorded in these colonies occupied the attention of a large number of the people of Alberton. The affair took the shape of a ball given by Mr W. Brown on behalf of the management of the Ringarooma Gold Mining Company deep within the bowels of the mountain, which they are so successfully working for gold.

The affair took place in a capacious chamber that has been blasted out of solid rock for the purpose of holding the electrical plant that the company has decided on installing for winding, pumping and lifting operations. To get to the chamber, about one-third of a mile of tunnelling had to be transgressed, [sic] but when arrived there the scene that presented itself was that of a fairy grotto, the walls being beautifully decorated with evergreen and the flowers of the season. Here about 70 or 80 guests assembled in response to the invitations issued, many in spite of bad weather, having come a considerable distance, and dancing commenced to the music of a piano that had been trucked to the spot. About midnight supper was served, and songs helped to make the evening pass most pleasantly. At the conclusion of the affair thanks were accorded to the manager and directorate for their hospitality and the hope was expressed that the chamber so auspiciously opened that evening may prove a means towards the long succession of dividends for the enterprising shareholders. ●

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- 1 Obituary notice, Hobart *Mercury* January 1946
- 2 Lands Department of Tasmania

GENES ON SCREEN

Vee Maddock (Member No. 3972)

MANY of our ancestors spent some time associating with workhouses or poor unions, especially those in the UK. Reasons for ending up in a workhouse abounded: from unmarried pregnancy to loss of a father or a job and income. However, did you know that once in the workhouse the inmates were segregated by age and even by uniform according to their position, such as different colours for unmarried pregnant women or prostitutes? Even members of the same family, or husband and wife could be punished for talking to one another if they were in different age groups or genders. All this and more is on one of the most fascinating sites I have read in a while.

It is www.workhouses.org.uk Packed full of information about workhouses and the life of the poor in England, Ireland and Wales.

- The database of the National Monuments Record of Scotland (NMRS) is online. The database contains details of many thousands of archaeological sites, monuments, buildings and maritime sites in Scotland together with an index to the drawings, manuscripts and photographs in the Collections of the NMRS:
<http://www.rcahms.gov.uk/canmore.html>
- The New Zealand Society of Genealogists Inc. website is
<http://www.genealogy.org.nz/>
- If you are visiting England you may want to visit this site before you leave. The British Newspaper Library web catalogue includes entries for over 50,000 newspaper and periodical titles

from all over the world, dating from the 17th to the 21st century. Search and reserve the issues you wish to peruse when you are in London next
<http://www.bl.uk/collections/newspaper/>

- Back issues of many/most Scottish newspapers are held at the National Library of Scotland, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh. See the website www.nls.uk/ for details of visiting and online catalogues.
- The book *Statistical Accounts of Scotland* has been put online at <http://edina.ac.uk/cgi/StatAcc/StatAcc.cgi> This is a statistical history of the various parishes in Scotland for the period 1791–1799 and also 1845. Previously this book has been hard to find, so this is a must if you have Scottish ancestors to get an idea of what their parish was like.
- While we are talking Scottish records, see <http://wood.ccta.gov.uk/grosweb/grosweb.nsf> for information on getting Scottish certificates and Scottish research online.
- It was wonderful to hear that the hard work has paid off and the *Lady Nelson* is now debt free. Check out the amazing history of this boat at <http://www.tased.edu.au/tasonline/ladynel/>
- The website from the Internet Workshop at the recent *Coming of Age* conference is still available at <http://www.southcom.com.au/~vmad>
- Have you checked the Guild of One Name studies to see if your surname is being researched by others?
<http://www.one-name.org/>

- Not everything that is mentioned on the internet is true. It's a bit of a shock to some people, but that's the truth. Sometimes people post things that are just wrong, or misleading, or plain fraudulent. Before falling into their traps check this page that keeps an eye on the truth out there. <http://www.ancestordetective.com/watchdog.htm>
 - Heaps of links to Tasmanian History sites at <http://www.sff.net/people/ladym/history.htm> with a new section of VDL miscellanea at <http://www.sff.net/people/ladym/VDL.html>
 - A list of kid safe sites for juniors researching their family history. <http://www.genealogytoday.com/junior/sites.html>
 - Not everything we need to know about our state is old news. The following are the local papers and news headlines online.
<http://www.themercury.com.au/>
<http://www.examiner.com.au>
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/state/tas/>
 - A selection of birth, death, marriage and divorce links. <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~dpsoc/linksoz.htm#bdm>
 - *Australian Periodical Publications 1840–1845* is a digital library of Australian journals that began publication between 1840–1845. <http://www.nla.gov.au/ferg/>
You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader (easily available) to view copies of the original papers. You can't save, but can print the pages or portions of them. Use the magnifying glass to enlarge the print to read.
 - Bibliofind searches a multitude of booksellers to find those elusive rare or old books. <http://www.bibliofind.com/>
 - Early Tasmanian Settlers biographies can be seen at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~austashs/bios/bios.htm>
 - For information about Tasmanian place names, name changes, towns and locations visit <http://www.rootsweb.com/~austas/towns.htm>
 - If you are researching in Devon you'll have to visit the Devon Family History Society site and click on their map link. This wonderful map will show each town as you click on it, allowing you to compare the locations of several towns at a time. <http://www.devonfhs.org.uk/>
 - If you wish to delve into the depths of history there are some interesting articles on a variety of topics such as Viking ships, Roman ruins and more at the Athena review, an online journal of Archaeology, History, and Exploration <http://www.athenapub.com/index.html>
 - Visit the Canadian Archives at their new address. Online records include an index of the Ontario 1871 census. http://www.archives.ca/08/08_e.html
 - Wolverhampton Archives and Local Studies have a web site at <http://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/archives/> which includes a number of pages of family history information and some transcriptions of early records.
 - The Convicts to Australia site <http://carmen.murdoch.edu.au/community/dps/convicts/> is a steadily growing resource of convicts, mostly WA and NSW bound, and their history. The Surname Origins List has many British and Chinese family names.
- If you have a favourite website please send it to me at minuet@primus.com.au



REVIEW

The Master Genealogist, Silver Edition, for Windows, produced by Wholly Genes Software, is available through Black●Fire Technology (see insert this issue).

The Master Genealogist is a well-designed software package for recording your family history. It is an 'events' based program enabling many events for an individual to be recorded. One of the frustrations of researchers is finding different dates for the one event. For example, the Family Bible might have Great Auntie Mary's birth as 27 May, *The Tasmanian Pioneers Index* recorded it as 29 May but Auntie Mary's daughter is emphatic that she always celebrated her birthday on 1 June. Which is correct? *The Master Genealogist* allows you to record the three (or more) dates. Each of these entries can then be referenced back to the source of the information. Multiple dates and other data with respective sources can be recorded for as many different events as you like. For the final printing of reports and charts *The Master Genealogist* allows the user to create the type of report that suits them. There are many options and features built into the program that allow the greatest of flexibility. Importing information that has been generated by other software packages is straightforward. As well as being able to import standard GEDCOM files, *The Master Genealogist* will also import files created in Family Tree Maker, PAF and other programs directly. This ensures no data loss if information is converted to GEDCOM and then back into *The Master Genealogist*. Merging two files is again an easy process, as the import Wizard allows you to set up the parameters that will allow the automatic merging of two individuals. With so

many options and functions *The Master Genealogist* is a program that will take longer to become familiar with than some of the other popular software, but is the ideal package for the serious researcher or professional genealogist.

If you are looking to purchase your first software package to record your family history, check out all the programs that are available and choose the one that you are happy with and that will record and produce the type of reports that you want.

System requirements:

Computer	486
Operating System	Win 3.1, 95, 98
Memory	16 Mb
Disk Space	22 Mb (minimum) or 40 Mb (full installation)

Peter Cocker



Family History on the Web A Directory for England & Wales Stuart A. Raymond

Quickly identify the top sites on the web! Well over 1,000 sites likely to be of value to everyone tracing their English & Welsh ancestors are listed here: Gateways, Search Engines, etc.; General Introductions to Genealogy; Libraries & Record Offices; Family History Societies; Discussion Groups; Mailing Lists & Newsgroups; Message/Query Boards; County Pages; Surnames; Sources; Occupational Information; Miscellaneous Sites; Professional Services, Booksellers, etc.; Subject Index; Institution Index; Place Index. Price \$A18.90 (inc. airmail p&p.)

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NEW ACQUISITIONS

This is a select list of books on history and genealogy which have been added to the Tasmaniana Library between January and March, 2001. They are mostly, but not all, new publications; the Tasmaniana Library often acquires older works which relate to Tasmania and which it does not already hold. The list has been kept as brief as possible; normally only author, title and the Tasmaniana Library's reference number are given. If you would like further information about any of the books listed, please contact the Tasmaniana Library at 91 Murray Street, Hobart 7000 or by telephone on (03) 6233 7474, by fax on (03) 6233 7902, and by e-mail at Heritage.Collections@central.tased.edu.au

Further information is also available on TALIS, the State Library's on-line information system. TALIS is available in city and branch libraries throughout Tasmania and through the World Wide Web; its URL is <http://www.talis.tas.gov.au:8000/>

Please note that, while all of these books are available for reference in the Tasmaniana Library, **they are not available for loan** (although copies of some of them may be available at city and branch libraries).

Alexander, Alison, *Students first: Tasmania University Union 1899–1999*. (TL 378.198309946 ALE)

Ashton, W. E., *Mission, muscle & miracle: a history, impressions & personal episodes during the last 50 years of CYC at Camp Clayton*. (TL 796.54220994634 ASH)

Baldock, Lindsay, *It's all relative: an enlightening glimpse at my Australian ancestry in the year 2000*. (TLQ 929.2 BAL)

Banks, Annette, *The family of Robert Lockley and Catherine Hingley*. (TLQ 929.2 LOC)

Baudin, Nicolas, *Mon voyage aux Terres Australes: journal personnel du commandant Baudin*. (TL 919.4042 BAU)

Bonnily, Thomas, *The Bonnily family, 1803–1996*. (TLQ 929.2 BON)

Clark, Ian D. (ed.), *The papers of George Augustus Robinson, Chief Protector, Port Phillip Aboriginal Protectorate. Volume 1: Chief Protector's office journal 1839–1850*. (TL 994.502 ROB)

Collins, Geoff, *Concise history of the Derwent Bowls Club, Providence Valley (Newdegate Street), North Hobart*. (TLP 796.315)

Deloraine Baptist Church, *Deloraine Baptist Church: index to marriages 1963–1973, 1882–1915*. (TLQ 929.3 DEL)

Elder, Bruce, *Presenting Australia: the making of a nation*. (TLQ 994 ELD)

Evans, Kenneth J., *Japan e buggerup pinis: the final days of World War II in Papua New Guinea*. (TLQ 940.5426)

Gannell, Linda, *Inasmuch: St. John's Hospital, Hobart: 1899–1999*. (TLQ 362.110994661 GAN)

Genealogical Society of Tasmania Inc. Devonport Branch, *The North-West Post (1887–1916): an index for family historians. Volume 4 1907*. (TLQ 929.3 NOR)

Gibson, Judy, *The Gibson family from Scotland to Tasmania*. (TLQ 929.2 GIB)

Gurney, Alan, *The race to the white continent*. (TL 919.89 GUR)

John Graham & Associates, *Statement of heritage impact for alterations & additions to 'Bartonvale'*. (TLQ 728.0994661 JOH)

Jones, Ramon, *The story of Lifelink Samaritans. 1968–2000*. (TLP 361.060994611 STO)

Julen, Hans, *A history of Tasmania's west coast from Abel Tasman to Zeehan Railway Station*. (TLP 994.64 JUL)

Lord, John, *John Lord of Hobart, Tasmania on the passenger motor vessel 'Waedui' to New Guinea and Bougainville, 1932*. (TLPQ 919.5 LOR)

Morris, Miranda, *100 Hobart houses 1901–2000*. (TLQ 728.30994661)

O'Brien, Kim (ed.), *St. James' Cemetery: Northern Tasmania*. (TL 929.5 STJ)

O'Callaghan, Mary Gemma, *In the company of Morris Mahon – W. P. O'Callaghan*. (TLQ 792.09946 OCA)

Parish, Keith, *The Catholic marriage index: St. Mary's – Ross districts Tasmania 1896–1902*. (TLQ 929.3 CAT)

Parish, Keith, *Church of England marriage index: Campell Town district Tasmania 1896–1958*. (TLQ 929.3 CHU)

Parish, Keith, *Church of England marriage index: Fingal & Avoca districts Tasmania 1896–1963*. (TLQ 929.3 CHU)

Parish, Keith, *Church of England marriage index: (Holy Trinity) Launceston Tasmania 1900–1944*. (TLQ 929.3 CHU)

Parish, Keith, *Church of England marriage index: St. Peters, St. Leonards district Tasmania 1900–1925*. (TLQ 929.3 CHU)

Parish, Keith, *Holy Trinity Anglican Church Launceston: index to burials 1901–1920*. (TLQ 929.3 HOL)

Parish, Keith, *The Methodist marriage index: Campbelltown – Ross – Oatlands districts Tasmania 1896–1944*. (TLQ 929.3 MET)

Parish, Keith, *Presbyterian Church marriage index: Evandale district Tasmania 1926–1963* (TLQ 929.3 PRE)

Parish, Keith, *Presbyterian Church registers marriage index: Campbell Town district Tasmania 1896–1945*. (TLQ 929.3 PRE)

Parish, Keith, *Presbyterian Church registers marriage index: Campbell Town district Tasmania 1896–1963*. (TLQ 929.3 PRE)

Parish, Keith, *St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Launceston: book 1: baptisms 1836–1869, 1890–1969*. (TLQ 929.3 STA)

Parish, Keith, *St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Launceston: book 2: marriages 1839–1866, 1876–1933*. (TLQ 929.3 STA)

Parish, Keith, *St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Launceston: book 3: marriages 1933–1985*. (TLQ 929.3 STA)

Parish, Keith, *St. John's Church of England marriage register index: Launceston Tasmania part 1 1900–1924*. (TLQ 929.3 STJ)

Parish, Keith, *St. John's Church of England marriage register index: Launceston Tasmania part 2 1924–1940*. (TLQ 929.3 STJ)

Pink, Kerry, *Campsite to city: a history of Burnie, 1827–2000*. (TLQ 994.636 PIN)

Poulter, Norman and Albert Goede, *Who was Edie Smith?* (TLPQ 796.525 SMI)

Prentis, Malcolm D., *Science, race & faith: a life of John Mathew, 1849–1929*. (TL 285.294 MAT)

Ratcliff, Patricia Fitzgerald (ed.), *John West's 'Union of the Colonies' essays on Federation*. (TL 994.03 WES)

Robson, John, *Captain Cook's world: maps of the life and voyages of James Cook R.N.* (TLQ 910.92 COO)

Sargent, John R., *Days gone by: an historical snapshot of Kangaroo Bay, the Port of Hobart and the Derwent River*. (TLP 994.661 DAY)

Statham, Helen (ed.), *A celebration in stitches: embroideries by members of The Embroiderers' Guild of Tasmania Inc.* (TLQ 746.44 CEL)

Stubbings, L. G., *Great grandma stole a cow: a family history*. (TLQ 929.2 STU)

Vernon, Dez (ed.), *A country show: celebrating a centenary at Bream Creek*. (TL 630.740994671 COU)

Watson, Reg A., *The life and times of Thomas Francis Meagher*. (TLQ 920 MEA)

White, Robert E. (ed.), *An inquisitive eye: travels of an American lady in the British Empire of the 1930's*. [Sybil Hall Nowell] (TL 910.4 NOW)

Descendants of Convicts' Group

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Any person who has convict ancestors, or who has an interest in convict life during the early history of European settlement in Australia, is welcome to join the above group.

Those interested may find out more about the group and receive an application form by writing to:

The Secretary, Descendants of Convicts Group,
P.O. Box 12224, A'Beckett Street,
Melbourne, Victoria, 8006, Australia

FROM THE EXCHANGE JOURNALS

Thelma McKay (Member No. 598)

‘The Penal Colony of Port Arthur, Van Diemen’s Land: An 1847 Account’ by Anne Harvey of Derbyshire, UK. *The Manchester Genealogist*, the journal of the Manchester and Lancashire Family History Society Vol.36, No.4, January 2000, pp.274–77. A letter dated March 1847 from Port Arthur in VDL was written by one of the political prisoners held there for William Neeme, a soldier in the 51st Regiment, to his parents back in Kent, England. William had arrived on board the *Egyptian* in 1837. Stationed at Port Arthur he mentions the daily life of the convicts, the weather, the soldiers’ overseeing the ‘centipede gangs’ (where up to 100 convicts carried felled timber on their shoulders), the dogs guarding the narrow strip of land at Eaglehawk Neck, the semaphore system of communication, and the wooden track railway. William returned to England where he married at Manchester Cathedral in 1854.

‘Local Parish Workhouses’ by Eileen M Bowlt. *Hillingdon Family History Society* journal No.49, March 2000, pp.15–25. When the Poor Law Act of 1834 was passed it divided the country into unions for the administration of the poor. This article describes the parish unions in the Uxbridge area, their administration, the kind of work carried out by the in-mates and the history of alms-houses and workhouses.

‘Are You Seeking Photographs of Orient Line and P & O Ships to Supplement Your Memoirs?’ by Alan Bennett in *The Muster* the journal of the Central Coast Family History Society June 2000, No.69, pp.17–18. A list of ships’ photographs is featured with their

P & O or Orient Line reference number. Photos of 129 ships that sailed from England to Australia can be ordered through the B.A.S.E. Board Photographic Laboratories in NSW.

‘A Convict Letter’ can be found in *The Mail* the newsletter of The Descendants of Convicts Group No.96, July-August 2000, pp.20–23. A letter written by Jane Burrell, a convict in VDL, to her family back in England was found in estate papers in Essex. Dated 9 May 1849, the letter was written on board the hulk *Anson* in Hobart. Jane details her life in Tasmania, and also names her family back in England.

‘Convict Gallery’ by Pat Slattery in the Coffs Harbour District Family History Society journal *Genie-Allergy* No.19, June 2000, pp.6–7. This article is a brief history of two brothers, Thomas and Robert Beames written by a great great granddaughter of Robert. Both brothers were convicted in England and transported to NSW on board the *Coromandel*, arriving in 1804. Both later came to Launceston in VDL with their families. Many descendants are still in Tasmania, with many more moving to Portland in Victoria. A letter written by Robert from Launceston Gaol in 1831, regarding his daughter is included in this article.

‘The Volunteer Service Companies of the Manchester Regiment in the Boer War of 1899–1902’ by Robert Bonner in *The Manchester Genealogist* the journal of the Manchester and Lancashire Family History Society Vol.36, No.2, April 2000, pp.93–111. This article details the events leading up to the raising and dispatch of

Volunteer Companies to assist the British regiments in the South African conflict. Men are listed in companies with their rank.

‘One Face—Two Names (“Big R” Solves a Problem)’ by Dennis Allport in the Birmingham and Midland Society for Genealogy and Heraldry June 2000 issue *The Midland Ancestor* Vol.12, No.8, pp.309–11. The author relates the difficulties encountered when researching a NSW convict Simeon Allport. Mistakenly baptised under his mother’s maiden name, Allen, in Staffordshire, on his remarriage in NSW, he also changed his first name from Simeon to Samuel Allport. The ‘Big R’ was a major factor in proving his true identity.

‘Maritime Sources for Family History’ by Bill Gibb in the *Glasgow and West Scotland* Family History Society journal No.58, Summer 2000, pp.18–20. This article is a precis of a talk given by Mr Gibb on tracing records of the Merchant Navy. Many subjects on maritime records and how to find them are described e.g. The registration and movement of ships, Ships Officers and Seamen, Crew Lists and Agreements.

‘Officers of the 2nd Royal Surrey Militia 1759–1876’ a two part series by Robert Mesley in *Root and Branch* the journal of the West Surrey Family History Society Vol.26, No.4 and Vol.27, No.1, March and June 2000. Lists of Officers of the 2nd Royal Surrey Militia were extracted from original documents dated 1877. Part 1 can be found in the March issue A to L, with part 2, M to Z in June. Details their name, date and rank.

‘Surrey Emigrants to Australia’ by Victoria Houghton in *Root and Branch* Vol.27, No.1, June 2000, p.24, the

journal of West Surrey Family History Society. Two Surrey families, Box(sh)all and Lindsey, emigrated to Melbourne in 1842. The 1841 census located the village in England where these families originated. Contact was made through a local history group in Melbourne, with a descendant who was organising the 150th anniversary of these emigrants.

Two articles are featured in *The Genealogist*, the Australian Institute of Genealogical Studies Vol.9, No.10, June 2000.

1 ‘Are Your Relatives in *The Times*?’ by Graham Price page 445. By using the Palmers Index to the London newspaper *The Times*, the author found references to several of his ancestors in England and Wales. If you have convicts in the family try searching this useful index. (The Palmers Index (on CD) and *The Times* (on film) are both held by the State Reference Library in Hobart).

2 ‘St James Old Cathedral “The Church of the Pioneers”’ pp.452–53. This church was originally built on the corner of Collins and William Streets in Melbourne in 1839. The oldest church in Melbourne, it was moved in 1914 to its present site. Known as the ‘Church of the Pioneers’ their Visitors Guide is reprinted in this article plus a photo taken in 1870. Housed in the vestry there is a museum holding historical documents.

‘From the Police Gazette’ by Teresa Williams in *Greentrees* the journal of the Westminster and Central Middlesex Family History Society Vol.20, No.2, July 2000, pp.66–67. Extracts taken from the Police Gazette for November and December 1877 and January and May 1899, note deserters from the military, absconders from custody and missing persons. These items give a description

of the person named, some with place of birth, and where deserted from e.g. regiment, name of ship.

'Early Funeral Directors of Geelong'

The Pivot Tree the journal of the Geelong Family History Group No.66, July 2000 features several articles under this heading. These include a list of companies with addresses and the earliest date of commencement. No records or registers of early masons and funeral directors exist for Geelong, the existing companies being established in the 1920s. Included are profiles of two families buried in the Geelong Cemetery, plus burial customs, and coachbuilders of Geelong.

'Marriages From Folkestone Chronicle 1873' in *The Kentish Connection* Vol.13, No.4, June 2000, pp.101–102, the Folkestone and District Family History Society journal. A full transcription of marriages appearing in the *'Folkestone Chronicle'* for the year 1873 is featured.

Two articles can be found in the *Bedfordshire* Family History Society journal Vol.12, No.5, March 2000.

1 'Thomas Gobby – Convict From Chalton, Near Toddington, Bedfordshire' by Mrs Lorraine Crammond in the pp.16–24. Thomas Gobby was convicted in Bedford in 1843 for stealing a sheep, the property of a widow Mary Fensom. He was transported to VDL per the *Equestrian* leaving a wife Rebecca back in Bedford. He married Margaret Clifford, also a convict, and twelve children were born to them at Lachlan, near New Norfolk. Research on the Gobbys in England and Tasmania is recorded in this article. Also after 156 years, Mrs Crammond of South Australia was able to apologise to descendants of Mary Fensom on Thomas's behalf, and

she received the same acknowledgement back for the harsh sentence he had received.

2 'The Boutwood Family in Luton and London'

pp.32–41. Extensive research on the name Boutwood, plus a family tree. A daughter married into the Ewer family and emigrated to Australia in 1848. Includes a listing of Boutwoods in the 1881 National Surname Index in these areas.

'The National Museum of Australia' by Dennis Shepherd in *The Ancestral Searcher*, journal of the Heraldry and Genealogy Society of Canberra Inc. Vol. 23 No.4, December 2000. This is a paper given by the author, who works there, tracing the evolution of the National Museum of Australia and detailing some of its resources of interest to family history researchers. These include personal and private papers, photographs, oral history tapes, books, maps and other collections of material.

'The 1901 Census' by John Watts in the *Journal of the Bristol & Avon Family History Society*, No.102, November 2000. An account of a talk by Margaret Brenndand of the Public Record Office about the planned release of the 1901 Census, to be made available for public consultation on the Internet in January 2002. Details of what, how, who and when are worth reading.

'Starting With Me' in *The Cedar Log*, journal of the Richmond-Tweed Family History Society Inc., Issue 66, December 2000. Why should you write your own history? And how should you begin? June Huish gives excellent guidelines and suggestions of what and how to write your own story for your descendants. She makes it sound practical and easy. ●

Lost, Stolen or Strayed ... and Found!

From **1 May to 31 July the 1891 Norfolk census will be available** at <http://census.pro.gov.uk/pilot.htm>.

This is a test run for the system that will be used to release the 1901 UK census next year. Searches will be available by name, place, address, institution or vessel. Viewing the index will be free, but there will be charges associated with viewing transcriptions or images of actual returns in order to test out the charge system for the 1901 project. □

The **1788–1820 Pioneer Association Inc.** has moved—their new address is 280–282 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW 2000 ☎ (02) 9262 7049 □

Mrs Jean Stevens MSc BA Hons will undertake individually tailored and realistically priced research projects in London, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire. She suggests her experience, contacts and determination will bring more depth, individuality and understanding to your own achievements. Contact her at 132 Sheerstock, The Meadows, Haddenham Aylesbury, Bucks HP17 8EX, ☎ o'seas code +01844 291168 or email jean.stevens5@virgin.net □

As from 1 May 2001, a dedicated telephone number will be introduced to replace the current number for **GRO certificate enquiries and applications**. The new number is 0870 23 7788 and will be staffed from 8.00am–6.00pm on Monday–Thursday, 8.00am–5.00pm on Friday and 10.00am–4.00pm on Saturday. See the FFHS web site at www.ffhs.org.uk/Societies/Liaison/News.htm

Bette and Bryan Doulis from Victoria noticed a gravestone on a visit to Hawaii fifteen years ago. On another trip last January, they were able to take photographs and place a lei on the stone to honour the person whose remains it shelters. **JOHN C. KIRKWOOD**, Born in Hobart Town N.S.W. Died at Lahaina Maui October 22. 1887.



Anyone interested could contact the Holy Innocents Episcopal Church, Waianae Street, Lahaina, Maui. Bette and Bryan would be very interested to hear any details or of any relatives of this man. Please write to PO Box 218 Whittlesea VIC 3757.

They have included further photographs of the church, signage and cemetery. □

COMING EVENTS

TASMANIA

Unless otherwise notified, all Tasmanian Historical Research Association (THRA) Meetings take place on the second Tuesday of the month in the Royal Society Room, Custom House, Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Macquarie Street Hobart starting at 8.00 p.m.

23 June 2001

State AGM at Campbell Town—see page 4 this issue.

16 September 2001

Hobart Branch 21st Birthday Party at Laetare Gardens—see flier this issue.

10 November 2001

Launceston Branch 21st Birthday Party at the Library.

24 February 2002

Wood/Fletcher—Lewis/Hodge Reunion at Katoomba NSW. Contact Martin Wood, 'Hereford', Kangaloon Road Bowral NSW 2576 ☎ (02) 4861 1600. See *Reunions* notice in the coloured insert.

23 and 24 November 2002

Burgess Reunion at Parkham, Tasmania. Any enquiries to Annette Banks, 104 Branscombe Road Claremont TAS 7011 ☎ (03) 6275 0388 or email Annette.Banks@utas.edu.au See *Reunions* notice in the coloured insert.

INTERSTATE AND OVERSEAS

23 June 2001

6th Yorkshire Family History Fair, York Racecourse 10.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Contact: Mr A. Sampson, 1 Oxfang Close, Redcar, Cleveland TS10 4ND ENGLAND.

25 June 2001

Investigating Death: Inquests and Other Records. Victorian Archives in their Seminar Series. This talk will focus on the records of inquests, as well as exploring paths in the records that may lead to or from an inquest, including death certificates and prison and asylum records. Bookings essential: ☎ (03) 9285 7926 for more information.

1 August 2001

Coming and Going: Records of Immigration at Public Record Office Victoria and the National Archives of Australia. This seminar will explore sources of genealogical information in the official records of nineteenth and twentieth-century immigration to Victoria. Discussion will focus on passenger arrival information and will touch on the records of naturalisation, ships' crews and other topics. Bookings essential: ☎ (03) 9285 7926 for more information.

5–7 October 2001

NSW and ACT Association of FHS Annual Conference on Sydney's North Shore; theme: **The 3Rs of family history—Researching, Reading & Recording.** To register interest, send your name, address, telephone and email details to The Society of Australian Genealogists, 120 Kent Street Sydney NSW 2000.

April 2003

10th Australasian Congress on Genealogy and Heraldry, **Discovery 2003**, to be held in Melbourne April 2003. To register interest, write to Discovery 2003, Genealogical Society of Victoria Inc. Level 6, 179 Queen Street, Melbourne VIC 3000●

LIBRARY NOTES

State Microfiche Roster

	21/5/2001	20/8/2001	19/11/2001	18/2/2002	20/5/2002
	17/8/2001	16/11/2001	15/2/2002	17/5/2002	16/8/2002
Burnie	Set 2	Set 1	Set 5	Set 4	Set 3
Devonport	Set 3	Set 2	Set 1	Set 5	Set 4
Hobart	Set 4	Set 3	Set 2	Set 1	Set 5
Huon	Set 5	Set 4	Set 3	Set 2	Set 1
Launceston	Set 1	Set 5	Set 4	Set 3	Set 2

Set 1 GRO BDMs Index 1868–1897

Set 2 Griffith's Valuation for Ireland Series

GRO Consular Records Index

Old Parochial Records and

1891 Census Indexes for Scotland

Set 3 GRO BDMs Index 1898–1922 and

AGCI

Set 4 National Probate Calendars 1853–1943

Set 5 GRO BDMs Index 1923–1942

Exchange journals Members' Interests and

One Name Studies Index

BURNIE

Accessions—Books

The Advocate—Births, Deaths and Marriages Vol. 8 1999, *Devonport Branch GST Inc.*

* Butler Family History (3rd Edition)

Convict Applications to bring out families to VDL etc. Index, *Hobart Branch TFHS Inc.*

* Genealogical Research Directory—1995, 1996, 1997, 1998

* The Hatch and Brood of Time, *Portia Robinson*

* The Journal of the Butler Society No. 8

* The Life and Times of John Pascoe Fawcner

St Andrews Church and Cemetery—Carrick 'Gone but not Forgotten', *Launceston Branch GST Inc.*

Accessions—Microfiche

1851 British Census—Devon, Warwick and Norfolk

Family History Source Guide

Western Europe Vital Records Index

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- * Western Australia Genealogical Society Inc. Members' Interests Directory 1998, *WAGS*

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QUERIES

AUSTIN/McGLYNN

Harriet AUSTIN, born Sussex, was the daughter of convict William Austin (*Susan*, 1837, assigned to Archibald THOMSON, Launceston). Harriet arrived Launceston 1842 with mother Elizabeth and three brothers. In 1843 she married Michael McGLINN/McGLYNN/ at Launceston. Their children were Catherine McGlynn, born 1845, (married ? Philip DONOVAN, 1863, Westbury), Elizabeth McGlynn, born 1847, (married ? William JAGO, 1869, Deloraine) and Ann McGlynn (married ? James LOWRY, 1869, Westbury).

Any information or descendants please contact Helen Patterson, 10 Carramar Avenue, North Ryde NSW 2113 or email helenmpatterson@hotmail.com

BOURKE

Information wanted on the BURKE/BOURKE family who were in the Woodsdale area in the area 1870s. Martin Bourke married Anna SHULTZ in 1877, issue included Michael 1877, Patrick 1879, Nicholas 1881, Cecelia 1883, Urban 1894 and Olinsa 1896. Honora Burke, sister of Martin, married John BROOKS at Hobart in 1856 [sic] and also went to the Woodsdale area. Martin Bourke died in 1921 at Whitefoord. Anna in 1945 also at Whitefoord.

Mrs Judith Button, 8 Parish Crescent, George Town TAS 7253 or ☎ (03) 6382 3072

HILL, Mary

I need help in finding my great great great grandmother Mary HILL. Daughter Mary McCOY born 16 September 1814, Van Diemen's Land.

Flora Powell, Unit 2/12 Racecourse Crescent, Launceston TAS 7250

HOWE

Esther Matilda HOWE married John James FOY at Deloraine 8 January 1886. I would like to hear from family members or see photos especially of older generations.

Mrs Edna Matthews, 13 Napoleon Street, Richmond TAS 7025 ☎ (03) 6260 2456

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JOHNSTONE/KENNEDY/KEEFE

JOHNSTONE William and Ann (CAREY), both convicts—wanted any descendants. KENNEDY Martin and KEEFE Michael who were convict friends of William Johnstone—any information would be appreciated.

Mrs Elaine Kranjc, 63 Dunloe Avenue Norlane VIC 3214

KELLY

John Thomas married Elizabeth Mary CAPE 21 July 1878. Where? And did John have any relatives in Tasmania? The Cape family lived at St Leonards. I would appreciate any information.

Mrs Edna Matthews, 13 Napoleon Street, Richmond TAS 7025 ☎ 6260 2456

What was KALI?

While researching Abbott's Cordial factory and the family concerned, I came across an item on a book on the Industrial Heritage of Launceston. It states 'Mrs M. E. ABBOTT manufactured the unsurpassed cordials, aerated waters, hop ale and beer. Her Kali was supplied to the Launceston General Hospital and recommended by the leading medical practitioners'. Can anyone tell me what 'kali' was? Thelma Grunnell, email tgrunnell@hotmail.com

WEBBER, William and John

William WEBBER, son of John Webber/Eliza BLUETT, born 1850 Kea, Cornwall—settled Launceston 1875/80s. Established business producing an herbal mixture 'Vitadatio'. This was being marketed in 1900s and still listed in the British Pharmacopœia 1920s. William had a son, Hamilton, born 1893, a musician, composer and orchestra conductor and may have conducted cinema orchestras in Adelaide.

John Webber (William's brother), born Kea 1848. Arrived Sydney November 1875 on *Earl Dalhousie*. His wife Harriet died 14 May 1876—moved to Tasmania to work in mines. Second marriage 4 April 1885 to Elizabeth CLARKE—four more children from this marriage. John moved frequently, mining in New Caledonia, Broken Hill, Port Pirie, Daly Waters. He died 8 November 1919, SA.

Seeking information on brothers and history of 'Vitadatio'. John Martin, 29 Graham Street, Para Hills SA 5096 ☎ (08) 8263 5327

WIGGINS/PENNINGTON

I am writing a history on the family of Samuel WIGGINS, who as a marine, arrived with Lieut David COLLINS in 1804. Samuel's wife, Susannah, gave birth to a son, Thomas (married Susannah NEWPORT) on the *Calcutta* en route to Port Phillip. Besides Thomas, five children were born to Samuel and Susannah before Samuel's death in 1811. Ann, born England 1801, died 1803; Ann (Nancy) married John WALKER; John married Esther GILL; Sarah married first James LITTLE and second Edward VIMPANY and Elizabeth married James TIDSWELL. In 1812, Samuel's widow, Susannah, married Thomas PENNINGTON and their children were: Mary born 1814 died 1817; Jane born 1815, James born 1817 married Sarah BURKE and Mary born 1819 married John OSBORNE. I am seeking information on Wiggin's Violins, family anecdotes, early photographs and anything about the Pennington family.

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