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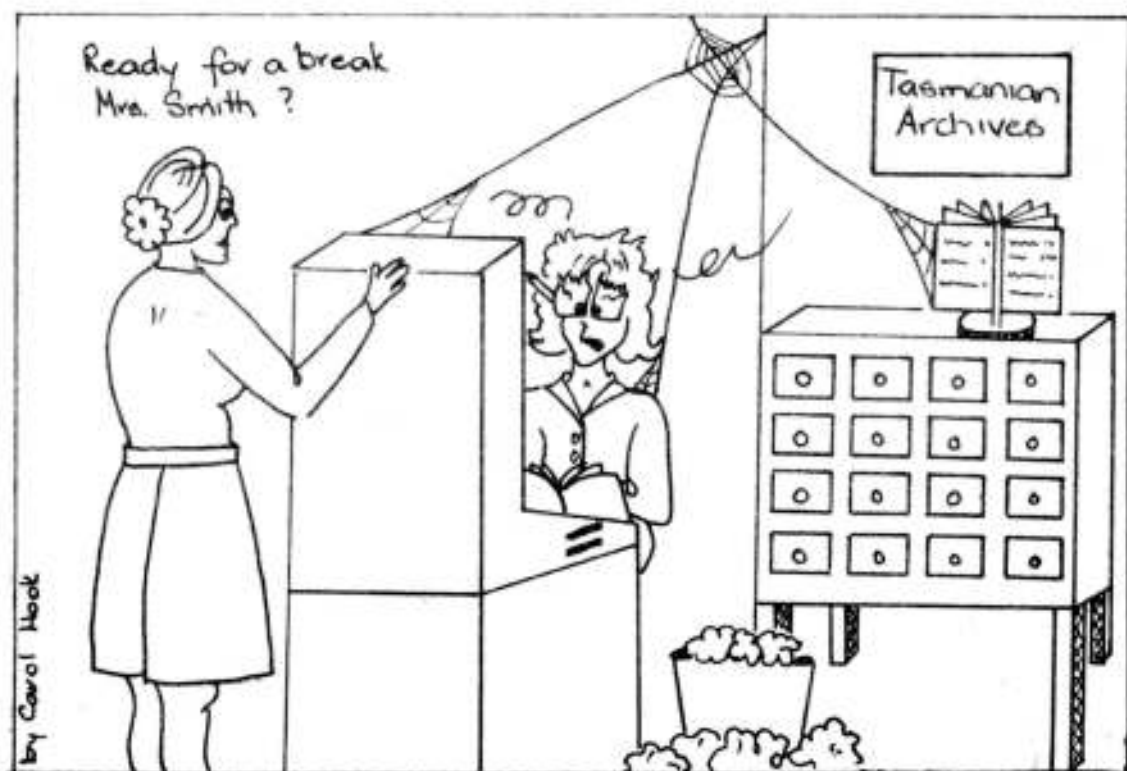
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Editorial

Once again, thanks are due to the small band of helpers who give such willing assistance to producing the journal.

The policy of the editorial panel is to provide as much information as possible within the small compass of "Tasmanian Ancestry". An important role of the journal is to filter some of the valuable material that comes from member societies in exchange journals. Another role is to provide an arena for contributions by our own members, and we would especially welcome comments on members' own personal research experiences. A recent contributor reaped a rich harvest from her article on a visit to ancestral haunts in Circular Head.

These are our ideas, but we would like to hear about yours. What features in the journal do you like best and find most useful? Please write and tell us.

The next issue will contain an article on using newspapers as sources of genealogical data, and on the University of Tasmania archives.

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PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1981/2

by
Lilian Watson

Our Society membership has more than doubled during this, our second year of existence. Well over 400 members now share our common interest in tracing family history.

Despite the problem of distance, representatives of every Branch have met several times to discuss important issues such as the enlarged Constitution.

Launceston and Burnie Branches are now over one year old and meetings were first held in Devonport last July.

Hobart was the site of a Social Dinner at "Bellevue", Bellerive, and a Seminar which was held here at Rosny College in early August. It is to be hoped that similar events will later be held in other places.

Two small Genealogical Society libraries have been opened, one in the home of Mrs. Betty Wood in Launceston, and the other at 3 Percy Street, Bellerive.

The Bellerive library is the official centre for the G.S.T. as one of our four rooms is used as a work place for the Publications and TAMIQT committees. This library, with the help of many members who cleaned, painted and sewed, is now quite comfortable and its situation near a car park and a bus stop is fine.

Our qualified Librarian, Mrs. Theo Sharples, has enlisted the help of a number of assistants who staff the library in turn. Currently it is open on Wednesday mornings and Saturday afternoons, but has been staffed at other times when needed by people who come from distant areas.

The International Genealogical Index has been well used particularly by those with ancestors from the United Kingdom. Six of the microfiche viewers have been retained in the Hobart library and the others taken to Burnie and Devonport.

I feel that the purchase of a reader-printer should be a major goal for this coming year, especially as further updated I.G.I. material is expected.

An electric typewriter has been purchased for the Publications Committee and a manual machine lent for the Library. A simple photo-copying machine has been kindly lent by Mr. Brian Thurley.

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During 1981, approval was given to our request that Donations to our Library Fund be allowable tax deductions. A deluge of donations has not so far resulted, but we can always hope.

Expenses for furnishing the Library and for Publications have been kept as low as possible. The many members who have worked together to achieve this have gained new skills even as they made new friends. I feel that we are now financially ready to fill the bookshelves and begin special projects.

One recent project is the holding of Beginners' classes at the library from time to time. Hopefully this can continue. Some of our members have tutored Adult Education Family History classes for some years but others need short term help to get started.

Committees have met at intervals during the year as required, and General Meetings have been held in all Branches on a monthly basis.

In Hobart we have begun to use the Auditorium at Rosny College in preference to a classroom in which chairs had to be lined up for sometimes 60-80 persons.

Our Tombstone Inscriptions copying project has been titled TAMIOT and has been carried out in all areas of Tasmania. Launceston has copied about 1,400 stones and Hobart has completed the copying of all known tombstones in Clarence and moved on to other outlying areas. Copying of Carr Villa Cemetery in Launceston has begun and the copying of stones at Cornelian Bay, Hobart, will shortly begin.

A card index is housed in our Bellerive Library and lists are gradually being made. As copying stones is much quicker than processing the data, help with the clerical work involved is always welcomed. In Hobart our Co-ordinator Mrs. Shirley Johnson or Mr. Jim Wall, TAMIOT Chairman, will be glad to receive offers of help.

Our quarterly Journal "Tasmanian Ancestry" is being published regularly. Currently Mrs. Audrey Hudspeth is Editor and Mrs. Val Watson is Co-ordinator of the whole process. They have enlisted an enthusiastic team who help to produce an enjoyable, informative publication. Contributions and suggestions are welcomed.

A list of surnames being researched by our members and others is being progressively included with most editions of the journal.

A steady stream of Research Queries arrives and passes through the hands of research officers in each branch. The scope of such services has to be limited but we like to help with advice and small searches. Postage received is much appreciated.

Publicity throughout Tasmania has been quite good though we can always improve. Newspapers, posters, radio and television have all been used. A monthly column in the Mercury Suburban has been especially useful in the Hobart area. Several members have addressed community groups too. Mr. Parssey is working on a sign for the Library in Hobart which will also help.

Members are our greatest asset. Launceston members found an economical printer for the TAMIOT cards. Hobart members acquired index cards from the University which have been used on one side. As we only wish to use one side, these cards have been shared with all branches. Donations of furniture, books, paint, material have been gratefully received.

Members have given much thought and time in recent months to the enlargement of our constitution so that the Society could better serve more localities. We are aware that there are still a few parts which need attention, but the basic ground work has been done.

Hobart will become a Branch of the Society and have its own Committee. Representatives from each Branch will meet as a Council annually to work out general Society policy and elect the Executive. This Executive will represent all branches, and the Library, Publications, TAMIOT and Research representatives will also keep in mind the interest of out-of-state members.

Our policy of allowing each Branch to retain up to 25% of normal subscriptions will allow each Branch to supply those services most needed in their area. The Hobart Library will also serve as the central Society Library.

My term as President of the Genealogical Society is now completed according to the current Constitution. Having served now for four years, counting my time as A.I.G.S. Chairman, I look forward to seeing someone new in this position. There is much work yet to be done, and new

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ideas are valuable.

As the Branch Elections are taking place this month, and the first Council will take place on 5th June, at Campbelltown, the election of Society Executive cannot take place until that first Saturday in June. Until then the present Council will continue to act.

I could not begin to list the many people who have helped the Society in the past year. Some will continue in their old position this year, some will have different responsibilities, others are no longer able to give so much time. Your membership and extra help are much appreciated as we can achieve so much more so long as we work as a team.

Our Genealogical Society was formed to help all those who are interested in recording their family history. May it continue to help, and may we all experience a good team spirit as we learn and share our skills.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR SUBSCRIPTION? THIS IS THE LAST JOURNAL FOR THE 1981-2 FINANCIAL YEAR. IN CASE THERE ARE SOME WHO HAVE OVERLOOKED THE SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL, A COLOURED STICKER HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE COVER OF THE JOURNAL, TO REMIND YOU THAT YOUR SUBSCRIPTION HAD NOT BEEN RENEWED WHEN THE JOURNAL WENT TO PRESS.

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Annual Accounts From
1st April 1981 to 31st March, 1982

TREASURER'S REPORT

The attached statement of Receipts and Payments has been prepared on a cash basis.

It includes some payments in advance, and does not take into account outstanding liabilities.

The statement also includes purchases of assets e.g.

purchase of typewriter	\$150.00
filing cabinet for library	35.00
I.C.S. purchase	315.75

It also includes \$420 donations to the library.

An amount of \$849.35 was transferred from the previous years operations. The bank balance at the end of the year was \$923.77, to which must be added \$650.99 to the credit of the library bank account. The balances held by the Launceston, Burnie and Devonport branch accounts are not yet available.

In November it was decided that a separate Library bank account, under the control of the Librarian, should be established.

B. DENHOLM
 TREASURER
 12 April 1982

Statement of Receipts and Payments
1st April 1981 to 31st March 1982

<u>RECEIPTS</u>		<u>PAYMENTS</u>	
Bank Balance at 1.4.81	849.35	Travelling, postage	
Sales Book & Notes	709.61	telephone, bank charges	593.21
Annual Dinner	649.00	Refund subs to branches	351.88
Subscriptions	4233.25	Library (inc. \$315.75 for	
Research queries	122.22	I.C.S.)	2018.24
Bank interest	93.80	Stationery (inc. \$150 for	
Donations	376.81	typewriter)	609.89
Library	474.90	Annual Dinner	625.00
Magazines	159.70	Magazines	2764.94
Seminar	513.00	Seminar	294.71
		Bank balance at 31.3.82	923.77
	<u>\$8181.64</u>		<u>\$8181.64</u>

Audited by R.J. SAUNDERS
 HON. AUDITOR

Bank Reconciliation Statement

Credit balance State Savings Bank of Tas. at 31.3.82	1678.85
Less un-presented cheques	755.08
Bank balance as per receipts & payments statement	<u>\$923.77</u>

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LIBRARY ACCOUNT

From 13 November 1981 to 31 March 1982

RECEIPTS

Transfer from General Fund	\$200.00
Donations from meetings	164.74
Sales	127.47
Subscriptions	96.00
Fees	31.65
Copying	8.45
I.C.S.	115.65
Interest	1.38
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	745.34
Less <u>PURCHASES</u>	57.80
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	\$687.54

Book Review

by Theo Sharples.

Attracted by a title which I knew to be a quotation from Shakespeare's "King Henry IV, Pt.2", I went on to explore a book whose subtitle assured me that it tells "the origins of some curious and other surnames". I found some of which I had not heard before that were indeed curious, such as Anguish, a local Norfolk adaption of Angus; Galilee for someone connected with the porch or chapel, in an ecclesiastical building, known as a galilee and used as a mortuary or as a penitentiary; Sneezum (or Sneesam), from Snettisham which in turn is derived from Snet, meaning wise.

Others which I had thought to be curious had quite simple derivations. Clutterbuck, once spelt Cloeterbooke, is from a family which settled in England at the time of the Protestant persecution in the Low Countries. Belcher, a West Country name sometimes spelt Belsher, originated as a nickname from "bel-chere", or "pretty face", not, as one might have thought, having anything to do with unfortunate gastric occurrences.

The book sets out to interpret 1200 of the less obvious names, concentrating on historical origins rather than folk interpretations or family traditions. Chapter headings are quite intriguing: Alcoholic names, invitations to rudeness, Purse and person. There is a brief account of the different categories of surnames, as well as of compound names.

The author, James Pennethorne Hughes, is, amongst other things, a broadcaster and writer on the origin of surnames, in respect of which he has already made a reputation. He says, "This book seeks to be correct. It also seeks to be readable". Both aims have, I think, been fulfilled. This, from the final chapter, is typical of his style.

Meanwhile, and for perhaps some hundreds of years, surnames go on.
To the historian they can teach much. To those who bear some of the
names in this book, alas, they can only teach self-control.

Is thy name Wart? is not new. It was first published in 1965 by Phoenix House, London. Nor is it in the Society's library; the copy here described came from the State Library of Tasmania. I recommend it as being both entertaining and useful.

Land Records of Tasmania

by John MARRISON

RECORDS LOCATION

General Law or Old System Records (Period 1827-To Date) are located
1st. Floor, Lands Building, 134 Macquarie St., Hobart
[Some records are now held at the Archives Office - staff will
advise].

Real Property Act System Records (Period 1862-To Date) are located
2nd. Floor, Lands Building, 134 Macquarie St., Hobart
[All the above records are held under the authority of The Recorder
of Titles and Registrar of Deeds].

Lands Department Records (From early years of settlement to Date)
Most early records are located at the Archives Office - later
records are held by the Lands Department, 6th. Floor, Lands Building,
134 Macquarie St., Hobart.

INTRODUCTION

The Land Records of Tasmania can provide a good deal of information about our ancestors, but this will depend on whether such ancestor held or acquired a registered interest in property or land.

A general knowledge of the over-all history of land dealings can greatly reduce fruitless time spent searching. For this reason, it is suggested that the following sections dealing with early history be studied carefully.

Ancestors can often, maddeningly, appear fleetingly in the records, only to submerge without trace. It is important, therefore, to remember that an interest in property, or land, by any person, cannot AT LAW be allowed to remain outstanding. If a person dies his will is registered and his interest is dealt with by his personal representatives. If an owner walks off his land without paying off his mortgage the person who lent him the money (the Mortgagee) can sell his property to recoup his money. If an unmortgaged owner also walks off his land, at some stage in the future a successor will claim the land and need to show the length of his possession. The point in all these cases is that future deeds dealing with the land, will recite the details of prior ownership and how the present owner acquired his interest in the land. It can be seen from this that it can pay to search the land of the Ancestor forward to locate the recitals of ownership.

Searching of the land can also be made backwards if the present owner or previous owners is known. Titles Office Drafting Records may assist with this. However, the main problem is to establish who are the later owners of the land.

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The above comments refer to the General Law System of land ownership only. This is the only system in existence, with land registration, up to 1862 and consequently often the most useful record for Genealogists.

Finally it should always be remembered that Land Records are primarily concerned with land dealings for property law purposes; details of Genealogical value are incidental. In addition, Government staff do not have the time, or in some cases, the experience, to assist genealogical queries, for which reason it is hoped that these notes will assist the reader to search unaided apart from assistance as to location of specific records.

EARLY HISTORY OF TASMANIAN LAND DEALINGS.

All Tasmanian land from first settlement in 1803, was deemed to be owned by the Crown. Private ownership, initially, was achieved by receipt of a formal land grant from the governor of the day, acting as agent for the Crown. The first such grants were issued to Leonard Fosbrook, Matthew Bowden, Lieutenant J.M. Johnson and Edward Millar, members of Lieutenant Governor David Collins' civil establishment, on 15 August 1804. Grants to free settlers followed sixteen months later. All these were near Hobart Town. During Macquarie's visit, regulations for town allotments were proclaimed, giving greater frontage and longer lease to those who proposed to build two-storey dwellings, rather than those with one. By 1830 there were three classes of town allotments - those over half an acre were received by grant after erection of a dwelling and fencing; quarter acre blocks were leased for 21 years. But little documentation remains of the period before 1827.

Not until 1821, when George Cartwright hung his shingle was there a competent solicitor in Hobart Town. Contemporary records mention "secret and fraudulent conveyancing" by the ex-convict clerks, ill-versed in the complicated body of real property law developed by the courts of England. The lack of trained surveyors and the absence of a central deeds registry gave ample opportunity for dubious transactions. Still, it is possible in some cases to ascertain where and when an early colonist settled by checking such publications as - *The Historical Records of Australia* Series III, or Surveyor-General George Evans' *Description of Van Diemen's Land* (1822 and the facsimile of 1967), or the *Journals of the Land Commissioners of Van Diemen's Land* edited by Ann McKay in 1962, as well as K.R. Von Stieglitz's books on local history and other local histories.

There are the holdings in the Archives Office in Tasmania, the correspondence files of the Colonial Secretary's Office and the Lands and Surveys Department, which will often throw a great deal of light both on the processes a grantee or lessee had to go through in order to

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obtain land, and on the financial status, origins, character and associations of the early settlers. Examination of this correspondence often reveals that many hopeful immigrants are there recorded whose name never appears in the deeds.

SEARCHING AT THE REGISTRY OF DEEDS. (Records for period 1827-To date)

The establishment by Governor George Arthur of the Deeds Office in November 1827 enabled an increasing measure of order to emerge out of chaos. Priority was gradually established between conflicting deeds and there was central examination of all titles to land. After a deed had been signed and sealed by the parties, it was presented, with a copy of all essential parts (called a memorial), to the Registrar. Both copies were given a number and the memorial was indexed and retained by the registry. On searching the indices in the Deeds Office, frustrations can be avoided if you remember to search ALL the possible spellings of the sought-for name; if you remember that if father and son bear the same name the indices will make no distinction between them, and finally, if you remember that "double-bungers" are indexed under the second "bung". A woman who married after gaining title to land would, of course, have to be searched under her maiden name for earlier entries regarding that land.

Often one finds the looked for name but the memorial gives no indication of by what means the land came to be in his possession. This could be because he received it under a will as beneficiary (see wills index) or by a grant from the Crown (see grants index) or he received it before 1827. Most often the mystery is resolvable when one realises that often land (either his own or the government's selection) was located to a colonist and settled on long before it was granted to him (or frustratingly to someone else). Certain conditions as to cultivation and residence would have to be fulfilled before the grant could be issued. The first settler could have died before all conditions were fulfilled, in which case his heirs may complete the contract and the grant would appear under their name(s) in the grants index. Or, if they should sell prior to the issuance of the grant, one could search the grants index in vain for any mention of the family at all. Thus we must always search the main dealings index before searching the grants index.

Owners often held land together, in one of two ways: as joint tenants or tenants in common. On the death of one, a surviving joint tenant became sole owner and the decedent's will had no bearing on the land held jointly. Should it subsequently pass to other hands, the new deed would have to recite the death of the joint tenant, to explain how it came solely into the hands of the survivor. A land holder could will land, held in common, to whomever he wished. It need not pass to the second tenant-in-common on the death of the first, unless it was so willed.

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Sometimes the entries relating to a person under enquiry cease without it being apparent that the land had been sold. This may be due to his not being able to complete payments of his mortgage. The lender of the money may, in consequence, have "sold it out from under him". Search under the name of the mortgagee for the next transaction regarding that land. Since searching the indices is so essential to the researcher, we had better describe them in some detail.

The Main Dealings Index shows surnames and Christian names of a party to a deed, listed alphabetically and chronologically, the type of deed (described below) and often the area of land (in imperial measure until 1972). The location is given either by town or by land district (county) and civil parish. Finally there is the number of the memorial which is a copy of the essentials of the original deed. The index is divided into series: from 1827 to 1926 (consolidated from a number of earlier manuscript indices); 1926-1942; 1942-1953; 1953-1857; 1968-July 1972; and to the present. The type of deed is indicated by standard symbols (and this applies to the other indices listed below).

<u>DEED</u>	<u>INDEX SYMBOL</u>
Conveyance (transfers the land)	C
Mortgage	M
Further charge (second etc. mortgage)	F/C
Assignment of mortgage (transfer)	A/M
Appointment of new trustee	A/TEE
Reconveyance of mortgage	R/C or REC
Power of Attorney	P/A (after 1944)

The Wills Index books cover the period 1835 to 1944 after which the Main Dealings Index only should be used. Wills provide, after the Main Dealings Index the most important source of genealogical data. Before the early years of this century, a will did not have to be proven in the Supreme Court before land forming part of a deceased person's estate could be dealt with. This means that if a will is not found in the Supreme Court Registry it may be registered at the Registry of Deeds.

The Grants Index covers the period 1827 to 1935 after which entries are only located in the Main Dealings Index. After 1862 the vast majority of land grants were issued under the provisions of the Real Property Act.

Located Land Indexes are only held by the Lands Department.

[Granted Land is land granted by the Government to an owner who was not always the original settler.

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Located Land is land that has never been officially granted by the Government to an owner. Often the original settler's authority to take possession of the land took the form of an order by the Governor locating a site to settle (a location order) for various reasons a formal grant never took place].

The Judgement Index records the names of plaintiff and defendant and of course the land where judgement in a court case resulted in charges on a defendant's land. After the debt was satisfied, a certificate of satisfaction was registered.

The Power of Attorney Index covers the period from 1860 to 1944 (thereafter use the Main Dealings Index) and records the authorization of a second person to act on a principal's behalf. It was common practice for persons leaving Tasmania to register powers of attorney. In some cases mention is made of the destination of the principal. Unlike the other types of deeds described in this article, as yet the powers of attorney may not be searched, but the index is quite informative and in most cases contains almost as much information as the deed.

The Letters of Administration Index covers from 1875 to 1944 (and thereafter use the Main Dealings Index) and lists the names of those with landed property who died without making a will (intestate) and gives the names of those empowered to administer the decedent's estate. The memorials only show bare details of the court-appointed administrator and so are of reduced genealogical value.

The PROCLAMATIONS Index from 1896 to 1918 (after which see the Main Dealings Index) lists by name those from whom land has been acquired by the Crown (usually for road purposes). The memorials often have far more informative maps than those few maps in the memorials of grant but are now located at the Archives Office.

The Deposit Packet Index is often of genealogical value, if you are lucky enough to find that an ancestor deposited the original deed with the Registry for safe keeping. On occasion various incidental papers, wills, copies of old newspapers, letters and other family documents are included in the packet. To view a packet it is necessary to request the staff to produce a specific packet from the storeroom. One cannot view packets "at random" as one can the memorials bound into volumes. Don't give up if at first you do not find reference to a deposit about the time of registration of a deed: deposition often was delayed for many years.

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Using these indexes and the memorials to which they refer, one can learn much of the land transactions of our pioneer forebears in Tasmania, under the old property law system. But from 1862 until the present day, the Torrens System of land titles has operated in parallel with the old, and its records are housed in the Lands Titles Office. Nearly all land grants since 1862 have been made under the Torrens System.

SEARCHING AT THE LANDS TITLES OFFICE (Records for period 1862-to date)

In 1857 Robert H. Torrens of South Australia succeeded in having his system of land registration adopted by his colony's government. The system involved the definitive recording of title to a particular piece of land, with full details of ownership, and guaranteed by a statutory assurance fund. This obviated the retrospective searches which were required under the old general law system. The Torrens System was adopted by the Tasmanian Government in 1862. Briefly, the main difference between the General Law System and the Real Property Act System is that under the old system the title to land was the sum of all the separate dealings, or deeds, for a statutory period, presently twenty years. A Torrens title is a single instrument on which all dealings are registered, a copy of which is held by the owner, and the original is housed at the Lands Titles Office. Like the memorials at the Registry of Deeds, the transactions of the Lands Titles Office are indexed.

The Lands Titles Office Indices are consolidated into a single series divided into time periods. The first index covers the period 1862 to 1926 and is an index of names only. It is cross-referenced to a second index which fully lists the land owned under each name and shows the certificate of title reference or purchase grant number. The second time period follows, up to 1977. When searching the Lands Titles Office, one should first seek reference to the name in the nominal index, and from that turn to certificates of title or purchase grants, using the document numbers and requesting staff to provide a photocopy.

The titles will show a short memorial of dealings, including mention of wills. In all cases, plans of the land are depicted. If it is found necessary to examine the original instruments registered on the title, a request to staff to obtain the instrument from the Archives Office of Tasmania must be made. On average, this can take three to four days.

It is fitting to end where we began with discussion of the early records of the pioneer surveyors of our ancestral lands.

LAND RECORDS OF TASMANIA

7.

LANDS DEPARTMENT RECORDS

The survey or surveyor's department, the early forerunner of the present department was one of the foundation departments of the government of the infant colony. This department has had as a prime function, the surveying, management and disposal of Crown lands over the years. Many early examples of charts, maps and plans are held. As well, as already related, there was much correspondence between the government and individuals regarding land grants. These are now held by the Archives Office of Tasmania. However, due to a disastrous attempt to reorganise the department's records earlier this century before their transfer, such records are only partially indexed. These have been included in the main index at the Archives Office. It is possible, if the searcher can obtain file references from the appropriate grant chart at the Lands Department, to follow the correspondence relating to such land (if extant) at the Archives.

If the general area of settlement for an ancestor is known it can be possible to establish, from Lands Department charts, the exact acreage located or granted to him. Additional details as to the purchase price, public auctions and previous owners (etc.) can be established from the earlier plans used in the compilation of the large grants charts (the large grant charts are a veritable who's who of the who of the early settlers of each region and are fascinating viewing. However, a word of warning, the Grantee or Locatee shown on the chart is sometimes NOT the ORIGINAL owner by any means. Land was located to A and then later granted to B who in fact paid out the purchase price set by the government and received the grant. The government on occasion resumed land from the owner and granted the same to a subsequent person. In other cases the government retained the land after resumption and present day charts show government ownership.

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A SONG OF CIRCULAR HEAD MUNICIPALITY

Its story in verse
By Albert J. Wood

back to the past on Fancy's facile wings
With retrospective eyes my spirit swings,
And once again the Bushland spreads afar
From Rocky Cape to fertile Marawah.

No sound of wholesome, conquering toil is there,
No axe or saw makes music in the air,
Only the roaming owners of the land
Win a precarious life from hill and strand.

But soon is heard the music of the axe,
And sturdy feet soon tread the bushland tracks.
Soon rise the rough bush cabins by the spring,
Where saw, and maul, and wedges loudly ring.

Shave Pioneers! I feel a flush of pride
For those who fought and beat the Bush, and died,
Leaving rich legacy for ever to the State,
In farmsteads cleared and fit to cultivate.

Coeval with the forest house of huf
Lol Stanley rises underneath the "Nuf"
And ever found her quaintness closer to the sea,
In belching storm or zephyred ministry.

Under the frowning "Nuf" big bed so well,
Where the eternal billows sink so well,
Soothed, peradventure, by a mighty Deep,
The Pioneers of Stanley soundly sleep!

The Fergusons, the Taffows, and the Fords,
Who made the town, but left of gold no hoards,
The Anthonys, the Breheneys, and the Burkes,
Who ne'er believed in windy words, but works.

Nor must the bard forget the "Grand Old Man,"
Loved H. G. Spicer, ever in the van,
Whose mantle has on K. C. Laughton fell,
Who gives the old town service true and well.

Soon Forest rises from the hand of toil,
A splendid settlement of fertile soil,
Famed for its "tubers," from the very start,
Its "redskins" first in every mainland mart.

Here fought the bush the Smedleys and the Stokes,
The Hankins, Cryans, Hortons, kindly folks,
The Wells, the Waters, Bellingers and Blakes,
And soon their pluck a splendid district makes.

Here Fergusons and Haywoods soon are found,
Here Kings and Olingtons subdue the ground;
The Blizzards and the Spinks' bear a hand
To make the Forest prosperous and grand.

Soon Irishtown is rising in its place,
The product of a sturdy, toiling race;
Who, conscious of its rich, productive soil,
Put forth their best in energy and toil.

O Halorans and Carrolls, Spinks' and Kays,
O Connells, Harveys, Reds, McPhees and Faheys,
These were the sturdy sires whose stalwart sons
Still carry on the work so well begun.

Still south or west the young men press again,
Lileath and Nabagaena grow again,
A land of fertile soil and splendid grasses,
The home of stalwart lads and winsome lassies.

Next far Trovuffa's myrtle forests call
Beneath the biling axe they quickly fall
Till now her spreading borders, unconfined,
Enclose a terrain rich as one may find.

But, as the time, the men who "made" Duck River
Were pressing on in ceaseless, high endeavour,
Possessed of vision that the coming years
Would justify the faith of Pioneers.

Leesville arose beside the sounding sea
To crystallise the name of J. S. Lee,
A man with splendid vision in his eyes
Of Progress which the future would comprise.

And well assisted these in older days
The Pokes, the Marthicks, Lings and Youngs and Greys;
All honoured names that still live far and wide,
In farmers' good, who dot the country side.

Where, erstwhile, spread the dreary Mowbray Swamp
Fair homes arise and happy children romp,
The Isle's best grasslands spring on every hand,
Rich verdure spreads as from a fairy wand.

The Butter Factory rears its stately pile,
The best, men say, within our fertile Isle,
Fit monument to one like William Greig,
Who wrought so well for others' gain and weal.

And with that name, an honoured memory now,
Join up the names of Allen and Howe,
Both sterling men who saw the work begun,
And made the Factory second unto none.

Still Progress keeps its onward, steady course,
Till come the railway and the "iron horse",
And once again we honor Spicer's name,
Who worked like Trojan till the railway came.

The swift years pass, new blood comes pouring in,
Resolved to fight the swamplands, and to win,
And Mella wide, and Mowbray rich, today
Show now they fought and conquered in the fray.

New mills arise like mushrooms near and far,
From Rocky Cape right down to Marrawah,
The "horse pugs" bellow on the "sneaking" tracks,
The sturdy bushmen wield the saw and axe

The "headers in" are rushing timber through,
The "pullers out" all show what they can do,
The "dockemen" are working swift and well,
"And all goes merry as a marriage bell."

This was the time of axemen strong and good,
Who'd cut their way through anything in wood;
Lou Hardwick, Hanson, Cotton, Ainsie, Gale,
Whose feats are told in many a camp-fire tale

Great sawyers, too, hailed from the Far Nor' West,
Wood beaters these, who met and downed the best,
Wherever bushmen meet this honor is unfurled,
George Eaves and Harry Hanson, champions of the world.

Now Montagu deserts the good old plough,
To pin its faith upon the dairy cow;
A land of splendid grass that's hard to beat,
In turning out the fluid white and sweet.

Her pioneers deserve a word of praise,
The Enns, Sawards, Williams, Wilsons, Greys,
The Hansons, Quilams, Youngs, and all the rest
Who gave the old-time Montagu their best

Last, but not least, see fertile Marrawah,
Whose fame for crops and cream has spread afar,
Land where the winter saw the grass knee-high,
And every sign of true Prosperity

All honor to her sturdy Pioneers
Who fought the forest through the vanished years,
And gave to Marrawah no idle boast
"One of the richest districts on our Coast."

Here men like Albert Hanson and the Gales
Fought on and on with pluck that never fails;
Here Fords, and Wiggs, and Wilsons side by side
Toiled in the fields from morn till eventide

A note on the poet.

Albert J. Wood was a gifted man and his poetry on the pioneers of Circular Head has been read and appreciated by the people of the area who cherish the memory of those hardy folk who carved for themselves and their families, a home from a wilderness. As one of the men in charge of the small Duck River school in its infancy, he is remembered as a colourful person known locally as A.J.

Library Notes

by THEO SHARPLES

The International Genealogical Index is a valuable part of the Society's resources. It is an index to the names entered in the computer file of the Genealogical Department of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and it comes in the form of microfiches, read through a viewer which magnifies the printing on the fiches.

Library Notes continued

Don't be alarmed by the terminology, if you are unfamiliar with it. A microfiche is a sheet of film, 4"x6", on which appears, greatly reduced, something like 270 pages of printed matter, each page containing about 60 names. The contents are limited to names of deceased persons, from the early 16th century to 110 years ago. Some of the names come from records which are microfilmed in the Genealogical Department's programmes in many parts of the world, including Australia; some are submitted by members of the Latter Day Saints' Church.

I.G.I. is arranged in broad geographical regions, then by smaller localities e.g. the counties of England, then by towns and parishes. Within these geographical divisions, the arrangement is alphabetical by surnames and given names. Variant spellings of surnames are listed as though all were spelt the same way. I found 15 ways to spell Sharples but all were arranged in order of their accompanying given names as though there were no difference in the spelling of the surname.

The information is concerned mainly with births, christenings and marriages. You need to know a place of birth or marriage of an individual, then you can ascertain, or confirm, the date when the event took place. An entry for a birth or christening will give the names of parents; a marriage entry gives the name of the spouse. If the marriage is not entered under the name for which you are looking, you may perhaps find it under the name of the other party to the marriage. The entry would then reveal the name of the person for whom you first searched.

The set of I.G.I. which the Society uses is leased, not owned, by us, so we have only that portion covering the countries with which we are most concerned. At present these are the United Kingdom, including the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man; these countries of Central Europe:

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and miscellaneous regions including Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and other smaller regions where copying of records has not yet been done extensively. A revision is made every two years. We hope to receive up-dated fiches by August of this year.

It is possible to trace the source of an entry by noting the batch number which appears at the end of each entry. You can then obtain from the Genealogical Department further information about particular entries.

The files contain fiches giving lists of Parish and Vital records which have been copied, although these may not be included in the set which we are using. There is also a fiche explaining the format of I.G.I. and how to use it.

The Library assistants will introduce you to the use of I.G.I. and will be happy to answer your queries.

The Cemetery Index at the library is expanding very fast, thanks to the work of the TAM101 group, coordinated by Shirley Johnson. This is proving to be a useful reference tool. A poster is now displayed in the library, giving details about forthcoming cemetery transcription outings and other relevant matters.

We are acquiring an increasing number of printed directories of members' interests from other genealogical societies. These are filed together at the end of the shelves where journals are housed.

Books and journals received are listed in each issue of this journal so that all Society members, in Tasmania or elsewhere, may be aware of what the library contains. Thus, members may ask to have library materials photocopied if they so desire.

On Sunday, March 28th, 1982, a group of members from Launceston spent a busy and profitable day in the library. This was the first time we have opened the library "out of hours" for a group, but we have done so on several occasions for individuals visiting Hobart. We are pleased to do so, when required, for members from outside Hobart who are unable to attend during the usual library hours.

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ADVICE TO EMIGRANTS

CONTAINING A FEW USEFUL HINTS OR SUGGESTIONS FOR
THEIR GUIDANCE, UPON FIRST LANDING IN THE COLONY

"Whose fields with bread, whose herbs with milk,
Whose flocks supply him with attire -
Whose trees in summer yield him shade,
In winter, fire."

There are many circumstances that are likely, it is presumed, to render a few pages, directed to this subject, by no means an unacceptable addition to the present publication. In several respects, the situation of a newly arrived Emigrant is peculiar. Every action, thought, and word, are for the moment influenced by the spirit of excitement, which is inevitable to all, who have left their native land, in order to settle in a new and very indistinctly understood country. With expectations highly raised - a strong feeling of self-consequence - and being keenly alive too, to whatever is likely to affect the success of the enterprise - the Emigrant is apt, frequently, both to over-rate and to under-rate difficulties; to form opinions upon light grounds, and afterwards pertinaciously adhere to them; in short, altogether to go wrong, merely for want of having been set right at starting.

One of the chief things to be impressed upon the Emigrant is, that the sooner he reaches his ultimate destination, whatever he purposes this should be, the better will it prove for him. Every shilling expended at intermediate places, every hour passed at hotels or lodging houses, is an abstraction of capital, which he will bitterly repent before he has lived one year in the Colony; for it is idle to conceal from him, that upon his own FRUGALITY and INDUSTRY, more than upon any other causes whatever, will his success depend; and he should besides be told, that money is of so much more value here than in England, that if he purposes relying upon such aids as are common there, and should thus be led into an outset that it is in the least beyond his own resources, or beyond such means as he has immediately at command, independent of any other quarter whatever, he will be preparing the way to his own certain destruction. Once let him be in the hands of the money-lenders, and the rapid manner in which an interest of fifteen to thirty percent. (which is the least he will find he has to pay) swallows up principle and every thing he has besides, will astonish him. Houses, lands, possessions of every sort, all become

swept away by the fell hand of the sheriff's officer; and years of anxiety, toil, and deprivation, finish by placing him in prison. But all this may be avoided by attending to a few plain rules or guides of conduct, upon first entering the Colony; and among them may be enumerated the following.

1. - Beware of what acquaintances are formed. It sometimes happens that Emigrants are thrown upon arrival, among classes, who have formed a jaundiced opinion of every thing around them - of the Colony - of its administration - its resources - its general state or condition, and whose chief delight now is, in gaining proselytes to their own notions. Whatever information these communicate, will be tinged by the state of their own minds; and as a general rule therefore, every thing that so reaches the ear of the Emigrant, should be received with extreme caution. Equally to be guarded against, are another class, or those who always view things in their brightest colors; for a young Colony presents of itself, a peculiar field for the man of enterprise and speculation, and if these be nourished by too much encouragement from persons, whose acquaintance with the place lends a sanction to their opinions, magnificent schemes are sometimes formed, without duly considering the impediments that lie in the way; and which, instead of being ever completed, bring ruin upon the projector.

2. - Beware of becoming a politician, or of belonging to party. An Emigrant should leave all things of this sort, in the country to which he has bid adieu. He cannot afford to have his mind, or his time, divided between what his new avocations demand of him, and such pursuits as these. Delightful as they may be also, they are perfectly out of place in a young colony, the governing principle of whose inhabitants, should be, the moral conveyed in the fable of the bundle of sticks. Let an Emigrant once take a greater interest in cobbling the affairs of Government than in cultivating his land, and it requires little of the spirit of prescience, to foretel what will be his fate.

3. - Never forget that you are in a country, where, for a few years at least, prudence requires that the veil of oblivion should be drawn over many of the comforts, and still more of the luxuries of life, to which perhaps you have been accustomed for many years. Whatever may be your circumstances, things of this sort cannot be indulged in for a time, without departing from those maxims of prudence, which have been already inculcated.

4. - Be extremely cautious how you are led into making purchases, or forming bargains of any sort. Almost every one you meet, will have the best horse, the best cattle, sheep, &c. the island produces, for sale; but let the second best be good enough for you;

or rather remember, that there is nothing so good that something else may not be found, which will equally answer the purpose: or again, that it is better sometimes to be without a thing a week, than to have it one day too soon.

The Settler should never forget that his independence - his true comfort, will depend upon his being able to obtain, without money, the greater part of those necessaries of life, which money is elsewhere required to purchase. He should aim to produce everything within himself - to raise all from his own ground. He who does so, although his income may be small, may still be a wealthy man, if he be true to himself; but, as before said, much depends upon how he sets out.

A few words will now be added, by way of acquainting the Emigrant with certain routines that may assist him upon first landing, in his search for land.

His most important business, generally speaking, is the selection of land - the desirableness of the early settlement upon it, of himself and family, has already been mentioned. The piece of information that will prove most useful to him with respect to the selection of land, is that, infinitely more depends upon his own energy, than upon anything else whatever. In order to make his course plain however, he may be told that, his first business after putting foot upon terra firma is, to obtain from the Survey Department a printed form of application, and having filled it up, and forwarded it to its proper destination, he will soon receive an answer, acquainting him with His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's determination upon his case. Presuming this to be favourable, his next step is, to fix upon the land he may desire to have; and here it must be confessed, a most difficult task is enjoined him - a most heartless, discouraging task is before him. He will no doubt have been permitted to examine the charts of the Island, that are in the Surveyor's Office, but what information do these afford? What can be learnt from them, even by persons who fancy they know every corner of the Colony? and what then do they impart to the newly arrived Emigrant? However, he will of course have studied them a little previously to departure for the interior, a measure that is imperative, personal inspection being the only dependence whereon he can reasonably ground any hopes of success. But here again, obstacles will be his lot at every step. The district surveyors will be unable, in consequence of the backwardness of the surveys, and other similar causes, to give him half the information with respect to land in their immediate neighbourhoods, upon which he had perhaps calculated. Again, it is no easy matter to discriminate, by natural marks, a piece of land, which may remain ungranted from other portions or tracts in the

vicinity, which may have been selected, although they have remained unimproved; or again, from those parcels that have been marked off as reserves; or for the church; or for future villages, townships, &c. Besides, the person in quest of land, has always to expect to be misled by persons who are in the habit of assuming a right to Crown land, to which they have no pretension, merely because they have found it convenient as a pasturage for their sheep and cattle. In addition to all these, it must not be overlooked, that there is really very little good land, except in remote situations, remaining ungranted, so that upon the whole the task of searching for it, may well be termed difficult and perplexing.

Still the active, energetic searcher of land need not despair; but, as before said, much, very much, depends upon himself - in fact, he may be considered either the maker or marrer of his fortune, throughout his whole career in the Colony; for it is the very worst place in the world for the idler, the spendthrift, or the lounge; whilst, on the other hand, it presents ample, although perhaps he may at first consider it slow, encouragement for the man of sober and industrious habits.

Editors note: Mrs. Jan Dickens, a New Zealand member, kindly sent this contribution, culled from The Van Diemens Land Almanac of 1832.

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PIONEERS OF THE BLUE TIER MOUNTAIN

by

Kathleen Burns

The Municipality of Portland in the north-east of Tasmania was originally known as Gould's New Country. It was named by Charles Gould, who was a Government Surveyor, in 1830. Mr. Gould had walked up the east coast to Georges Bay; he then turned from the coastline and walked for two days through the bush until he came to a long mountain range. As it had not been named, he named it the 'Blue Tier'. He explored a triangular area of land with its apex on the Blue Tier and base reaching from Ansons Bay to Georges Bay. He named this piece of land 'Gould's New Country'.

In 1868 some twenty men with their wives and in some cases children, made their way with pack horses to the foot of the Blue Tier looking for land on which to settle and farm. Their first settlement at the foot of the Blue Tier was called simply Gould's Country. This group of early pioneers consisted of seventeen English and Scots men and three Germans. They found the bush very unwelcome to them but they persevered. Their first priority was shelter and this consisted of a bark hut with outside fireplace. Some settlers had only sheets of canvas thrown over poles. These hardy people over the first two years at least, were in anything but a rosy position. They relied on kangaroos, wallabies and opossum for food and they had the benefit of their skins for rugs and leather.

The small timber around them was stacked for burning in their fires, the large timber was ringbarked. Clear spaces were hoed over and the appropriate seed was sown. Where they burnt the bush they planted the potato peelings to provide food. Man and beast awaited the harvest from their efforts. But the animals of the surrounding bush were expectant of the harvest too, and made life very heart-breaking. One and two year old children died from their exposure to this life and their little graves can be found today in the churchyard at Gould's Country.

These English and Scots men had left their homelands because of varying personal reasons. One was a member of an aristocratic family in Surrey. He married a French refugee so they emigrated to Tasmania to escape the wrath of his family. Gold fever had lured some of them

to Victoria. Few had found gold. Those who did were able to buy their land in Gould's Country but most had no money and they became squatters on the land.

A Londoner was amongst the first settlers. Shortly after arriving in Gould's Country, his wife had a little girl and they named her Gouldina. When times became hard for this family he left his wife and children on their little plot and went to the Victorian Goldfields to earn some money. Eighteen months later he returned in high spirits with one hundred pounds in his pocket. He was shattered to find his wife owed exactly that amount to creditors who had helped her in his absence. It was not unusual for wives and children to be left during those first hard years. In 1870 the rail link between Hobart and Launceston was in progress and some of the men went to Campbell Town from Gould's Country to earn enough money to keep their families alive.

The three German families all settled into the Pyengana area. Usually in their cases it was religious persecution which had driven them to other shores. Their area was heavily timbered when they arrived and so they set to with a bullock, wearing an upside-down horse collar, chained to a horse and dray to clear the land. This was a unique way of clearing land and is parochial to this area.

The pioneers were all very devout people and their Church was the first building erected after settlement. Today it still stands in the bush at Gould's Country along with other buildings which comprise the town today. This town has a place in our history books today because it has become the last completely wooden town left in Tasmania.

In 1874 when the 'grey gold', as these early settlers had called the tin, was discovered the Blue Tier life changed. Miners who came in to mine the tin settled in other areas of the Blue Tier in towns called Lottah and Poimena and the early farmers then grew the food to sell to the miners.

Their lives and relationships are another story.

Editor's note: I asked Mrs Burns to write this article for us after a visit to the St. Helen's History Room, 7 Cecilia St, St Helens. This rich collection of photographs and memorabilia of the district's pioneering days has been built up by the Burns family, and provides a wonderful pictorial journey into the past.

Cemetery List

FRANKLIN VILLAGE (St Leonards)

SL:3

St James Anglican Cemetery

Location: At St James Anglican Church, opposite Franklin House, Hobart Road, Franklin Village, Launceston.

Grid Ref: Lands Dept 1:100,000 St Patricks Map Sheet (B315), 13B 063

Transcribed: 22 Oct 1981 and compared with 1950 list and 1967 book

Headstones: 31

NOTE: * The information in the brackets and preceded by * came from 1950 handwritten lists)

+ The information in the brackets and preceded by + came from 1967 book

<u>REF.NO.</u>	<u>SURNAME</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>
00030	BARTLEY	Aubrey John, died 18 Jly 1941, aged 55 yrs.
00028	BARTLEY	Mary Ann *(Anne) Elizabeth, died 21 *(1) Feb 1846 aged 17 yrs. William Henry BARTLEY, died 31 May 1843 aged 11 yr *(died 31 Mar 1845 aged 14 yr). Onesiphorus & Frederick BARTLEY who died in infancy Theodore Windle BARTLEY died 19 May 1864 *(1861) aged 37 yrs +(17 yrs). Alfred Collett BARTLEY died 4 *(1) Sep 1870 aged 41 *(11) yrs. Theodore Bryant BARTLEY died 20 Nov 1878 aged 76 yr G.B. BARTLEY, died 7 May 1897 aged 29 yrs. *(C.E. BARTLEY died 19 Mar 1878 aged 28 yrs).
00027	BARTLEY	Theodore Bryant Theodore Bryant BARTLEY 1802-1878 arrived U.O.L. 1821, settled Kerry Lodge 1822, also wife Hannah (nee PICKERING) 1805-1882 and their children. Mary 1829-1846 William 1832-1843 Onesiphorus) died in infancy Frederick) Theodore 1827-1864 Alfred 1846-1870 G.B. BARTLEY 1851-1879 Emma 1834-1899 Anna 1845-1902 (wife of G.J. HEADLAM) Charles 1843-1917 Decimus 1844-1914 Arthur 1835-1895 Henry 1847-1895 Edwin 1831 Onesiphorus 1841-1925 This stone was erected by Keith HEADLAM in memory of his ancestors - 1963. See also Constance Emily VICKERS
00015	BURFORD	Joseph, died 1 Apr 1894 aged 75 yrs. Mary, wife of above, died 3 Oct 1907 aged 82 yrs *(died 8 Oct). Ann *(Anna) Eliza CURRAN, died 2 Aug 1889 aged 31 y
00023	CRESSWELL	George Belbin, St *(South) Norwood, England & India died 4 Feb 1924 aged 53 yrs.
00015	CURRAN	Ann Eliza, see Joseph BURFORD
00019	GARDNER	Henry Richard, husband of Lucy, died 9 Aug 1949 aged 88 yrs. Philip Henry, infant son of above, died 6 Nov 1904 Lucy, wife of above, died 8 Apr 1953 aged 84 yrs.
00020	GARDNER	Lance Beaumont, 1900-1979

<u>REF.NO.</u>	<u>SURNAME</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>
00021	GENDERS	Aibina Louisa, wife of J.C. GENDERS, died 26 Jly 1888 aged 51 yrs. Joseph C. GENDERS, died 29 Jun 1914 aged 87 yrs. Albert Eustace, son of A.L. & J.C. GENDERS, died 11 Nov 1882, aged 14 yrs.
00017	GREER	Wm Lyons Shaw, died 22 Aug 1908 aged 65 yrs. Annie, wife of the above, died 9 Dec 1894 aged 61 y
00024	HAWKES	William Keeler Esq, died 29 Sep 1882 aged 77 yrs Martha HAWKES, wife of above, died 18 Aug 1886 aged 79 yrs. Marianne *(Marrianna) HAWKES, died 6 Jan 1843 aged 40 yrs. Elizabeth HAWKES, died 28 Aug 1873 aged 67 *(69) yr Charlotte HAWKES, died 16 Mar 1888 aged 68 yrs. Sisters of the above.
00026	HEADLAM	Irene, see John SMITH
00027	HEADLAM	Keith, see Theodore Bryant BARTLEY
00029	HEADLAM	Keith Tasman, husband of Irene, father of Peggy, Jill & Janice died 12 Aug 1964. Irene Leila, wife of above, died 17 Jly 1967 aged 83 yr
00031	HILL	Ellen, died 22 Nov 1856 aged 22 yrs. (as this name was not on the 1981 transcription, the headstone may no longer be there).
00005	HILL	George, husband of Mary Ann HILL, died (?) 26 Oct/ Nov 1855/33 aged 50 yrs 7 mths *(died 26 Nov 1855 aged 30 yrs.)
00002	HILL	George, died 20 Oct 1870 aged 78 yrs.
00003	HILL	Lucy, wife of George HILL, died 13(?) Jun 1860 (?) aged 77 yrs. *(died 15 Dec 1866).
00004	HILL	William, died 2 Nov 1875 +(1873)aged 50 yrs Anella, wife of the above, died 16 Oct 1906 *(1905; aged 70 yrs.
00011	ILLMAN	Rosena, died 22 Jly 1907 aged 29 yrs, mother of Charlie (dec), Ivy and Florence (dec).
00014	JACOBSON	Charles Alfred, died 5 Sep 1904 aged 68 yrs. Margaret Muriel, his wife, died 4 Apr 1927 aged 82 Janet May, their daughter, died 5 Jun 1944 aged 62 Charles Alfred, their son, died 15 Oct 1957 aged 79
00010	JACOBSON	George, died 20 Sep 1908 aged 77 yrs. Frederick John JACOBSON, died 16 May 1913 aged 44 *(47) yrs. Mary Ann JACOBSON, wife of the above, died 14 Jan 1916 aged 73 yrs.
00006	JOHNSTON	Clara Emily, died Hazelwood, 5 Jan 1915 aged 67 yr A loving sister gone home. James JOHNSTON, died 30 Oct 1936 in his 87th yr. sister of above, Isabella Matilda, died 11 Jun 1943 aged 89 yrs. Lucy Ellen, died 25 Jly 1950 aged 92 yrs.
00001	JOHNSTON	John, died at Hazelwood 18 Jan 1889, aged 66 yrs. Matilda, wife of the above, died 2 Mar 1914 aged 87 yrs. Father & Mother *(John Johnston died at Hazelwood 2 Mar 1910 aged 87)

<u>REF.NO.</u>	<u>SURNAME</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>
00022	LAIRD	George, died 24 Apr 1932 Ems Louise, died 1 Feb 1941 Rosa May *(Mary), daughter, died 16 Aug 1892
00018	LEUPOLT	Maria, died 3 Feb 1945 aged 90 yrs.
00027	PICKERING	Hannah, see Theodora Bryant BARTLEY
00009	PRIOR	George, (St Patrick's River), died 22 May 1905 aged 55 *(35) yrs. Christina, wife of the above, died 17(?) Dec 1913 aged 61 yrs. *(died 14 Jan 1916 aged 73).
00016	RICHARDSON	Charles Sydney, died 9 Oct 1903 aged 54 yrs.
00008	SALTER	Hazel Marjory, daughter of C.E. & M. SALTER, died 5 Jan 1916 aged 4 yrs. *(S.E. & M. SALTER) +(C.E. & M. SALTER)
00026	SMITH	John In memory of John SMITH born 1787 - died 1853, and his wife Frances of Marchington, - arrived V.D.L. 1882; also their children. *(1822) George 1816 Frances 1818 Magnus 1819 Isabella 1820 d 1820 Isabella 1821 John 1822 John Low 1823 a girl 1824 Henry 1825 Richard 1826 Edward 1834 Margaret 1828 Jane 1829 a girl 1830 d 1830 Charles 1831 Maria 1833 This stone was erected by their grand-daughter Irene, wife of Keith HEADLAM 1964. *(great-g-dtr)
00025	THOMPSON	Bruce Sorrell, 1924-1964 (plate on stone block)
00027	VICKERS	Constance Emily, daughter of Arthur BARTLEY, died 9 Sep 1971, aged 86 yrs. (Small plate at base of headstone - Theodora Bryant BARTLEY)
00012	WALKER	John Walter, husband of Lillian Grace WALKER, died 13 Jun 1918 aged 79 yrs. *(WALKER)
00013	WALKER	John Doomer, died 8 May 1958 aged 74 yrs. } Lancelot George WALKER, 17 Apr 1914-25 Mar 1980 } (plaques on 00012)
	WALKEN	See WALKER
00007	WEBBER	William, died 2 Dec 1883 aged 55 yrs. Margaret, wife of the above, 25 May 1900 *(1908 aged 74 yrs. WELBER)
	WELBER	See William WEBBER

"Our ancestors are very good kind of folks, but they are the last people I should choose to have a visiting acquaintance with." - Richard Sheridan 1751-1816 (Irish dramatist)

News From Branches

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BURNIE NEWS

Branch meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Uniting Church Hall, Mount St. On July 13, the speaker will be Mr David Coad.
July 24: Annual Dinner, V.I.P. Room, Burnie Civic Centre. Cost, \$12.00 per head.
Contact Vernice Dudman for information(phone numbers given above)

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DEVONPORT NEWS

Meetings are held on the last Thursday in the month at East Devonport Primary School Library. The Chairman of the Branch has been elected President of the State Council of the Society.

HOBART

HOBART CALENDAR

July 8(Thursday)	British Ancestry Research Group. An informal gathering for all seeking help and advice or willing to exchange information on research in Britain.	Rosny College 8pm
July 20(Tuesday)	Branch meeting. Speaker, Mr F.R. Graeme-Evans on "The life and Times of George William Evans, Deputy Surveyor General of Van Diemens Land, 1815-24".	Rosny College 8pm
August 17(Tuesday)	Branch meeting. The speaker will be a member of staff from Australian Archives.	Rosny College 8pm
September 2(Tuesday)	Branch meeting. The Australian Joint Copying Project. It is hoped that the speaker will be Mrs Mary McRae, Tasmanian State Archivist.	Rosny College 8pm

NEWS from BRANCHES(continued)

<u>Chairman:</u> Mrs Lillian D. Watson, 44 High St, Bellerive, TAS 7018	002 44 2504 (Home)
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<u>Publicity:</u> Miss Karlana Nagle (address and phone number given above)	

LAUNCESTON NEWS by Karlana Nagle

We are very pleased to announce that we have finally been offered a room for our Library. Mr P. Kennedy, Superintendent of Carr Villa, has offered us the use of the old office at Carr Villa. We have applied officially for this room, but at present we are awaiting a reply from the Council. This room is very convenient for bus services, and there is a large car park right outside the door. We would appreciate any donations to help us increase our Library holdings.

Speaking of Carr Villa, we are now transcribing Carr Villa, and help is needed to complete this.

We now have copies of the 1st Baptism, Marriage, and Burial Registers of the Presbyterian Church in Launceston. These registers cover the years Baptism: 1833-1841, Marriage: 1836-1842, Burial: 1833-1838. These registers were found at the Queen Victoria Museum in Launceston, and until a few weeks ago, no one knew that they were there.

It is proposed that there will be a trip to the Queen Victoria Museum on a Saturday in late July. A trip we did there 12 months ago proved very fruitful, as we were able to use papers and books kept in the Museum archives. Please contact Judy Parnell on 31 6940 if you are interested in attending.

NEWS from BRANCHES(continued)

Some of our members are interested in forming a Broad Arrow Club for people with convict ancestors. Would anyone interested in this please contact me at 149 Opossum Rd, Launceston, or on 44 1240, with any ideas or comments on this proposal.

We have some very interesting topics coming up for our future meetings. Ivan Badcock organised the French Family Reunion held in March this year. In July, he will speak about how to organize such a reunion, the problems involved, the organization required and so forth. In August I will be showing and explaining the use of Pedigree charts and various types of Wall charts. In September we will be discussing ways to store and preserve research material: at this meeting members are asked to bring along their records to show their particular ways of storing their information. Some of our future topics and speakers will be Mr. T. Scott, and Queries and Answer Sessions. We hope to see you at our meetings.

Mr Ivan Badcock has passed on the name of a gentleman in Cornwall, England, who has been collecting information on the families of the Pelynt parish in Cornwall. If you would like to contact him re this area, please write to Mr Robert Jago, 7B Trevillis Park, Liskeard, Cornwall, England.

LAUNCESTON CALENDAR

July 6(Tuesday)	Speaker: Mr Ivan Badcock, on "How to Organise a Family ReUnion"	Kings Meadow High School 8pm
August 3(Tuesday)	Speaker: Karlene Nagle, on drawing up Pedigree Charts and Wall Charts	K.M.H.S. 8pm
September 3(Tuesday)	"Storage of Research Material", and a display of members' material	K.M.H.S. 8pm

New Members

Miss Linda ABLITT	TAS
Mr and Mrs D. ALLPORT	TAS
Mrs B.J. COLLINS	TAS
Mrs N. DALTON	TAS
Mr and Mrs D. DAWSON	TAS
Mr W.L. DODGE	TAS
M/s Cheryl GARLAND	VIC
Mrs Carol HOOK	TAS
M/s Margaret HOOKEY	VIC
Mrs H.B. HOLMES	TAS
Mrs A.M. JACKWAY	TAS
Mrs C.V. McINTOSH	TAS
Mrs I.L. MATTHEWS	VIC
Mr W.A. NEILSON	TAS
Miss F.K. NEWMAN	TAS
Mr K.B. PATERSON	VIC
Mrs A. RANSON	TAS
Mr C.J.B. RIGBY	TAS
Mr H. SHEPHERD	TAS
Mrs B.C. STEWART	VIC
Mr D.B. TATNELL	VIC
Mrs D.J. THORNTON	TAS
Mr L.J. WEBSTER	TAS
Mr J.B. WEST	NSW
Mr C.G.D. WILLIAMS	TAS

CEMETERY TRANSCRIPTIONS- HOBART

JUNE 19(Saturday) { Cornelian Bay 10.am.
JULY 24(Saturday) { Note at map near entrance
AUG 21(Saturday) { will indicate where to go.
SEP24(Saturday) Place not yet finalised
All excursions are held on the Saturday following general meetings, and details of these will be displayed in the Library or can be obtained by phoning Jim Wall (002) 43 9244, or Shirley Johnson(002 437486

If anyone is interested in weekday excursions to cemeteries, these are organised from time to time by Carol Rodway. Please phone Carol on (002) 486639 if you would like more information about these.

BOOK REVIEW by A.K.K. Hudspeth

RECORD OFFICES: HOW TO FIND THEM by Jeremy Gibson and Pamela Peskett:

CENSUS INDEXES AND INDEXING by Jeremy Gibson and Colin Chapman; - Published by the Federation of Family History Societies, Plymouth, United Kingdom.

These are two more of the invaluable booklets put out by the Federation of Family History Societies, of which our own Genealogical Society of Tasmania is a member.

The title of RECORD OFFICES: HOW TO FIND THEM explains its purpose. If you are lucky enough to be going to Britain for research purposes, this booklet will help you to avoid many enquiries and frustrations. Seventy specially designed maps show you the exact location of nearly all the major record offices and archive departments in England and Wales. Edinburgh is also included. The maps show you how to reach these offices by bus, train or car. Full addresses, telephone numbers and parking information are also included. A pithy introduction is entitled "Some Do's and Don'ts of using Record Offices and Archives Departments", and advises "Go with a list of objectives; make them as brief as possible. Don't spend time relating the whole history of your family to the archivist. He will respond more readily to specific questions regarding sources for a particular problem you have." Having a hearty breakfast and telephoning the office in advance are strongly recommended. You cannot be sure, in times of financial stringency, that offices will be open all day and every day, and you may need to book a microfilm reader.

The second booklet, CENSUS RETURNS AND INDEXING is written as a guide for family history societies who are attempting to index the census returns for their county or district, and explains methods and problems. As many of us have noted with sorrow, the wonderful genealogical aid of the census return had the serious drawback of not being indexed, so that fairly exact knowledge of the address is usually required, unless one is researching a small village. Not only genealogists are interested in the census; local historians, demographers and others wish to use it for particular purposes. Indexing the 1851 and subsequent census material to 1881 is a mammoth task, but one that a number of family history societies are undertaking with great success. Bristol and Avon, Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Cambridgeshire, Derbyshire, Devon, County Durham, Essex, Gloucestershire, Hampshire, Kent, Lancashire, Lincolnshire, London and Middlesex, West Midlands, Norfolk, Nottinghamshire, Oxfordshire, Staffordshire, Suffolk, East Surrey, West Surrey, Sussex, Warwickshire, North, South and West Yorkshire, the Welsh societies of Dyfed and Glamorgan, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man are in full swing, and a number of other societies have projects planned. These include North Cheshire, Leicestershire, Liverpool, Northampton, Shropshire, Wiltshire and Weymouth. I have listed all these because it is important to know that a family history society in an area in which you are interested may be able to offer census indexing information which can save you a lot of time and money. Be warned, firstly, that as all this work is done by volunteer labour, it is always in process and it will take a long time for comprehensive coverage to be achieved. Secondly, a charge will reasonably be made for making a search. This publication gives details of what is available where, and what it will cost to obtain it.

There is another publication which lists other projects being undertaken by family history societies. This is FAMILY HISTORY PROJECT CO-ORDINATORS compiled by Mrs Pauline Saul. Our Society did not belong to the Federation at the time copies were sent out for review, but it will be reviewed when available.

Editor's Note: All the above publications are available from the Federation of Family History Societies. See the list of their publications and prices in this magazine.

The best way we can think of to keep abreast of all the exciting developments that are taking place in British family history societies is to subscribe to "Family History News and Digest", the quarterly publication of the Federation, available at our own genealogical library for \$2.60 per copy. You will need to order it, as only a very few additional ones are sent. Let our Librarian, Theo Sharples, know if you want it.

Notes & Queries

- MUNDAY** William and wife Ann (nee BAKER), parents of John Philip MUNDAY (b. 1866), other known children Sophia and William.
I am interested in knowing date and place of death. Only other information I have is taken from the "Middleton and Menings Tasmanian Directory and Gazetteer 1887" p. 382.
p. 382 Munday William. Stotts Plains Templeton. Parish of Templeton in the road districts of Harford, Templeton and Letroba.
p. 404 Munday William. Upper Piper. 7 miles from Launceston.
Suspect these could be father and son and perhaps father was assisted immigrant and listed in shipping indexes.
Any help appreciated.
Mrs. M.P. Munday, P.O. Box 392, Bairnsdale, Vic. 3875
- VERNON/VERNON/VERNHAM** Any information please on these family names or descendants?
Christine C. VERNHAM and children Harriet RADFORD, Fred, Liza TEMPLAR, Mary BELLARD, Henry, George, Nellie MUNDAY and John.
Mrs. M.P. Munday, P.O. Box 392, Bairnsdale, Vic. 3875.
- BEEHAN** Thomas, born about 1840, County Cork, Ireland, migrated about 1859 with younger brother Jeremiah born about 1845. Thomas married 31 August 1859 at church of St. Joseph, Hobart, to Elizabeth FARRELL born about 1839 at Kilkenny, Ireland. They lived and both died at Mathinna. Jeremiah married 1869 at Church of All Saints, South Hobart to Mary Jane STREETER. Both lived at Mangana.
Any information to John Meehan, 50 Sutton Street, North Balwyn, Vic. 3104
- FARRELL** Sgt. Thomas, 96th Regiment Royal Engineers. Overseer at Port Arthur in 1846. Died Hobart Military Barracks on 6 May 1874. Married to Annie DOYLE born Ireland about 1813. Both buried old Queenborough Cemetery. They had 6 children, Agnes (Henry BANKS), Emily (WIGMORE), Annie, Edmund, Clement and Elizabeth (Thomas BEEHAN of Mathinna).
Any information to John Meehan, 50 Sutton St., North Balwyn, Vic. 3104
- BROWN** William Horatio with wife Susan (nee DEBEAN? DUBOCK?) children Angelic (12), William Francis Dubock (2), Susannah Anabelle (1) arrived Tasmania from Sydney 21 Oct. 1819 as clerk to Rev. J. Youl. Other known children Henry St. John (5 April 1821) and Louisa (10 Dec 1822).
Brown held various government positions in Launceston and in the 1830's the family appeared to live in George Town, whence he operated a passenger boat "The Dolphin".
Desperately interested to know what became of the family and contact any Tasmanian descendants. I have details of Brown's earlier life in N.S.W. My ancestor James Horatio (c 1829) arrived Sydney c. 1850. Brown who conducted a long-standing argument with Lt. Col. CANEADON is thought to have been the owner of 'Keapden Vale' in 1833, a farm near Launceston.
Seeking details of William and Susan's deaths, also birth details of later children, known to be 7 by 1828. One child Susannah believed to have married in Sydney and William made frequent trips, the last known in 1842. Any help gratefully welcomed.
Mrs. Kaye Purnell, 6 Carysfort Street, Hurstville, NSW. 2220
- CLARK** John William born Hobart July 1834. Parents were William James and Grace Clark (nee MILLER). Father a cooper at Hobart. Reputed to be a sea-faring family. Any information welcome.
N. Peterson, 1 Asherat Place, Christchurch 2, N.Z.
- WARDLE** John arrived VDL per 'Lonsch', 23 Oct 1833 with children John (11 yrs) and Betsey (7 yrs). His wife Hannah (nee PLOUGHRIE) arrived 24 Feb 1830 transported per 'Eliza' for 14 years. Hannah and John travelled to Victoria in 1845.
Seeking information on their deaths; was it in Tasmania?
Mary E. Gordon, Box 389 BOWEN, Qld. 4805

NOTES & QUERIES CNTD.

- LYONS Abraham and his wife Mary (nee CURRAN). Abraham transported to Tasmania 15 Dec 1850 for 7 years. Seeking information on their daughter Margaret born New Norfolk Tas. about 1852 or 1851. They were Roman Catholics and moved to Victoria.
Mary E. Gordon, Box 389, BOWEN, Qld. 4805
- McBRIDE Mary, transported from Co. Down, Ireland, 1845; settled Longford area married Robert McLEOD after 1855. Children unknown except for Ellen (b. 1868) who later married Edward HUNTER at Hagley, 1887.
Miss C. Griffin, 184 McCree St., BENDIGO, Vic. 3550
- HUNTER William, married Kate FITZGERALD in 1864, Westwood area. Known offspring Edward (married Ellen McLEOD 1887), Jim, Bill.
Miss C. Griffin, 184 McCree St., BENDIGO, Vic. 3550
- BECKETT John (b. 1857?), married Mary STORER (STOREY?) 1879 at Kirklands, Campbell Town. Possibly later resident of Cressy. Occupation shepherd? Known offspring John, Albert (b.1892), Aubrey.
Miss C. Griffin, 184 McCree St., BENDIGO, Vic. 3550
- WILLIAMS Mary Ann, daughter of Thomas Williams, merchant of Launceston. She married Francis ALLISON on 27 February 1851 at Trinity Church, Launceston. Their children included Laura, Susie and Clarice. Any information about this couple appreciated.
Cheryl Garland, 13 Barwon Ave., FRANKSTON, Vic. 3199
- CARMICHAEL James (c 1795-1870 and wife Caroline Reelia (c 1800 Jamaica - 1865) arrived Hobart from Edinburgh 1825. Issue 2 sons pre 1825, William 1826, married Emma WILSON, James Campbell 1829, Colin Campbell 1831, Isabella 1833, married ... BARTLETT. Descendants with further information please contact Arthur Mellefont, 11 Main Street, Killarney Vale, NSW, 2261.
- GLEAVE James (a widower) married Sarah LOWE (nee CRAWFORD) wife of the late John LOWE at Campbell Town on 15 February 1866. Mrs Sarah GLEAVE died at Campbell Town on 4 August 1881.
Any information please to Mr Keith W. Lowe, 3725 Macomb St, N.W. 509 Macomb Gardens, Washington, DC. 20016, USA
- SMITH John (a carter) came to Hobart in 1818 from Lincolnshire, married Elizabeth VINCENT from London in 1822. Children William John (b. 1822) married Sarah BURKINSHAW in 1841, Eliza (b. 1824) married William BURNS in 1842, Robert John ? (b. 1826), Richard Henry (b 1832 Benjamin Thomas (b. 1840), Charlotte (b. 1842).
Seeking descendants and any information. Kath Jardine, 26 Barnett St Hampton, 3188, VIC.
- POLKEY Seeking descendants or information of John POLKEY who came to Hobart in 1836 from Leicestershire, married Mary CONNOR in 1851, children John (b. 1852), Charles married Alice MALKIN 1873 at Avoca, Tas., Mary Ann (b. 1855) married George MILLER 1873 at Richmond, Tas., Francis (b. 1856), Florence Maria (b. 1858), Lucy (b. 1860), Elizabeth (b. 1865).
Kath Jardine, 26 Barnett St., HAMPTON, 3188, VIC.
- FITZGERALD Any information on Henry Thomas and his wife Harriett, who lived in New Norfolk Road, New Norfolk. They had at least two children Mary Ann born 4.4.1825 and William Henry born 1.7.1826. This information is from the baptism record of 1826.
Any information appreciated. Mrs. D.K. West, 20 Park Ave., BLAXLAND, NSW 2774.

From 1st February 1982, postal charges in the United Kingdom increased from 25p to 29p for minimum airmail to Australasia. Correspondence in a number of family history journals suggests that overseas enquirers would find it more satisfactory to obtain a supply of British postal stamps from the British Post Office Philatelic Bureau, 20 Brandon Street, Edinburgh, EH3 5TT, U.K. This would be cheaper than buying international postal coupons, which have always cost considerably more to purchase than their value when presented.

DETAILS OF ONE-NAME SOCIETIES

TOOMEY We have received from Mr Rex Toomey, a copy of the first issue of the Toomey one-name group journal "O'TUAMA". If your name is Toomey, Toomey, Twoomey, Toomy, Tuomy, Tuama or any of these prefixed by an "O", or any other variant, Mr Toomey will be pleased to hear from you. Listed in this copy are details of Toomey names from the New South Wales Probate Office. Further information available from Mr Rex Toomey, P.O. Box 202, Springwood, N.S.W. 2777. Stamped and addressed envelope please.

MacAULAY

A new one-name organisation is "The MacAulay Clan in Australia". This group has wide-ranging objectives, including general interest in fostering the Gaelic language and the Celtic traditions of Scotland, wearing the tartan, and providing assistance to needy MacAuleys who are eligible for membership. The joining fee is \$10.00 single and \$15.00 double. Further information is available from Mr Robert Macaulay, 15 Tauchert St, CHAPMAN, A.C.T. 2611

BLACKWELL

The 'Blackwell Newsletter' is published quarterly by Mr John D. Blackwell (Editor), R.R.2 Mensall, Ontario, Canada, N0M 1X0. Subscription rates are \$6.00 (Canadian) per annum. The newsletter is read in five countries.

THE RIX ALLIANCE

The Rix family Alliance has been formed to further study the Rix surname. It is hoped that by amalgamating all the information received from members and by investigating parish records and monumental inscriptions, that a full record of the Rix family from its incursion into this country, will be recorded. The object of the Alliance is to promote and maintain an interest in the history of the Rix family name, and to meet socially to engender friendship and cooperation amongst members. Membership details can be obtained from- Mr Reg Rix, 7 Mead Court, Common Mead Lane, Gillingham, Dorset, England.

CRIMP Enquiries to Mr Richard Crimp, 43 Porthleven Rd., Brookvale Runcorn, Cheshire, U.K. WA7 6BE

McDOUGALL - Enquiries to Mr J. McDougall, 6 Sulman Rd., Cabraematta, NSW 2166. Please enclose long, self-addressed envelope and reply paid postage.

BRITISH ANCESTRY RESEARCH GROUP

The Hobart Branch proposes to sponsor a British Ancestry Research Group to help members who wish to research British ancestry. Some members have knowledge about short cuts and pitfalls and would be able to advise beginners, as well as exchanging information at a more advanced level. See the Hobart Calendar in this issue for details of the first planned meeting.

You may indicate your interest in such a group by telephoning Mrs. Audrey Hudspeth on 43 9403, daytime or before 8.30 pm.

WILLS & QUERIES Continued

Computers in Genealogy : I wish to make contact with anybody who has had any experience with the use of computers in Genealogy, especially with regards to programming. I am currently assembling a programme for use in a small home computer, for storage of all data as well as a cross reference index.

Contact Mr. John Gould, 5 Victory Ave., DEVONPORT. 7310

RODDY DIMMOCK FARRELL KNOTT: These names are being researched by Mr J. Beehan of 50 Sutton Street, North Balwyn, Vic. 3104.

Australasian Genealogy Congress : 13-16 May 1985 at University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand. The guest speaker will be Mrs Elizabeth Simpson, the first Secretary of the English Federation of Family History Societies. Enquiries to the Convenor, Mrs Elizabeth Barlow, P.O. Box 169, Cambridge, New Zealand. Please send long, self-addressed envelope and reply paid postage.

Hobart Branch Committee member Mr Hob Wellington, would be interested to hear from any Tasmanian members intending to go to this conference, with a view to making co-operative travel arrangements. Please contact him after working hours on 45 7725.

Public Access to Registration Records: Other States are now following Tasmania's lead in allowing public access to pre-1900 records of births, deaths and marriages. New South Wales has decided to do so, and South Australia and Queensland are to follow suit.

Index to Victorian Wills: The Victorian Public Record Office, 19th Floor, Nauru House, 80 Collins Street, Melbourne, 3000 now holds an index to all wills proved in the state of Victoria for the years 1840-1859. Written enquiries should be directed to the Keeper of Public Records at the above address.

DID YOU KNOW? Some Australians can claim nine generations of Australian born ancestors. We read with interest in the magazine "Descent" (NSW) that Mr R.C. Wright of Denistone, NSW, has six generations Tasmanian-born ancestors, the first being Margaret Newman, born in Hobart in 1815.

LEFROY PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

We have received the following letter from Mrs Patricia O'Toole, Publicity Officer of the Launceston Branch, Genealogical Society of Tasmania.

The Lefroy Tasmania Progress Association has for some months been preparing the beautification of the township of Lefroy, Tasmania.

The works programme includes clearing and fencing the local cemetery which has been done. The next phase is to clean, restore and repair all the marked tombstones that are now in the cemetery.

However, there are many UNMARKED GRAVES which the association would like to mark with a cross or headstone with the deceased person's name, death date and relevant information. To this end the association would be very grateful to any members of the families, friends or general public who can either locate the grave or give information as to whom is buried in the unmarked graves in the Lefroy cemetery. Upon completion of the restoration work, the association will continue to maintain and beautify the cemetery with flowers, shrubs and lawn.

There is also a line of memorial trees to comrades in arms who fell during the World Wars. Would anyone know the names of any of these as we would like to erect plaques to their memory.

Any information and/or donations would be welcomed by Mr George McLean, President, Lefroy Progress Association.

AN ATTEMPT TO DEFINE THE ORIGINS OF SURNAMES OF
TASMANIAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEMBERS.

by John Harrison

ABBREVIATIONS:- Relationship - R, Locational - L
Nickname - N, Occupational - O, Old French - OF, Old
English - OE, Middle English - ME, Old Norse - ON, Old
German - OG.

CLASSES BREAKDOWN:- Relationships - 35%, Locational - 32%
Nicknames - 11%, Occupational - 11%, Unknown - 11%.

HATCHARD	?	OG	from 'Agihard, Agihart;
HOWARTH	L		Common Manchester, Leeds, places in York, Lancs.
HUDSPETH	R	OE	'Huddle' pet name for Hugh, 'Peth' path or place.
HULL	L	OE	'Hill' or dim of Hugh.
IMMS	R		'son of Emma'.
JOHNSON	R		'son of John'.
KAY	R		from Latin 'Caius' or 'quay'. 'key'.
KIRK	L	ON	'church' common in Notts, Lines, Yorks, Scotland,.
MACKAY	R	'son of	Aodh' (Irish/Scots/Gaelic).
MACLENNAN	R		'son of devotee of St. Finnan' (Scots/Gaelic).
MARRISON	R		'Mary's son' Yorks, Norfolk, Derbyshire.
MARSHALL	O		'Horse servant'.
MATYSEK	?		
MCGRATH	R		'son of Grace' (Ireland, Scotland).
MCKENZIE	R		'son of Comeiy' (Scots/ Gaelic).
MCCORMACK	R		'son of Chariot Lad' (Irish/ Scots/Gaelic).
NICHOLS	R		'son of Nicolas'.
UGDEN	L		'Oakden' 'Oak Valley'
O'NEAL	R		'descendant of Neal' (Ireland).
PAGE	O		'page boy' or player in play,
PARKINSON	R		son of Perkin.
PARSSEY	L		from Percy-en-Auge, (Calvados, France).
PHILLIPS	R		'son of Phillip'.

SURNAMES

PURTON	L		'Peartree Farm'
RADER	?		
RADLEY	L		'red clearing' (Berkshire)
RICHARDS	R		'son of Richard'
RICHARDSON	R		'son of Richard'
RODWAY	L		Place in Somerset
SHARPLES	L		'steep pasture' (Nr.Bolton, Lancs)
STOODLEY	L		'horse clearing' (Devon)
SURKEVICIUS	?		
TERRILL	N		'obstinate, stubborn'
TOROK	?		
TRAVERS	L	O.F.	'crossing, toll-bridge' possibly name of keeper.
TURNER	O		'one who works a lathe'
WALD	L	O.E.	'forest, woodland'
WALL	L		from dwelling at conspicuous one.
WARD	O		'guard'
WATERS	R		'son of Walter'
WATSON	R		'son of Wat'
WEEDING	?		
WESCOMBE	L		'dweller at the west field'
WHITTON	L		'White place' (Northants)
WIGHT	N	O.N.	'strong, nimble'
WILLIAMS	R		'son of William'
WISBY	L		?
WOOLLEY	L	O.E.	'wood with wolves'
WRIGHT	O	O.E.	Maker, craftsman'
WYATT	R		Dim of 'Guy' in its Norman form

ADDITIONAL NEW MEMBERS

BARNES	L	O.E.	'of or at the barn'
BARRETT	N		'contention or strife'
BAREMAN	O	O.E.	'Servant of Bate'
BELLCHAMBERS	O		'bellringer'
BENSON	R		'son of Benedict'
BENTLEY	L	O.E.	'clearing with bent grass!'
BONE	N	O.F.	'good'
BROWN	N		'brown (hair, skin)'
BURNETT	N		'brownish (hair, skin)'
CARR	L	O.N.	'marsh'
COCHRANE	L		'red brook' (Old Welsh)
CROFT	L	O.E.	'arable enclosure near a house.'
CROSS	L	O.E.	'One who lives by a cross or cross roads'

SURNAMEs

CUMINE	R		'Cumin,' 'crooked, bent' Irish
DOWSE	N	O.r.	'sweet affable'
DZIEDZIC	?		
EVANS	H		'son of Evan' Welsh
FLEMING	L		'Fleming, man of Flanders'
FOSTER	O		'Forester' Many origins.
GERRARD	R		Dim. of 'Gerald' 'spear ruler' Germanic
HARDWICK	L	O.E.	'herd farm(dairy, sheep)'
HARRIS	R		'son of Harry'
HOWARD	R		'heart/mind brave, hardy' Germanic.
LUCAS	R		learned form of 'Luke'
LUCKIE	R		from Luke? or 'Lucky'
McCORMICK	R		'son of Cormack'(see McCormack)
MANSER	R	O.F.	'Manassah' Hebrew. Sometimes 'Mansier' from mansier (dweller at a manse)
MEADOWS	O	O.E.	'dweller at the meadow'
MILLES	O/R		'dweller at the mill' or dim. of 'Millicent', (son of)
NAGLE			Irish (Cork)
NEAL	R		'Champion' Irish.
POPE	N		'one who played part in pageant' or served the Pope abroad, or 'killjoy'
POWELL	R		'son of Howell' Welsh
REED	N	O.E.	'red haired'
RODDAN	L	O.E.	'at the clearings' (Northumberland)
ROSEVEAR	L		'big moor' (Cornish)
SCHLENNER	?		
SMITH	O	O.E.	'one who smites' blacksmith, farrier.
SPENCER	O	O.F.	'one who looks after the larder, 'dispencer.
SQUIRES	R	O.F.	Young gentleman attending a knight.
WILLWRATH	?		
WOOD	L	O.E.	'one who dwells by, in a wood'

SOME MORE PROBLEM NAMES:-

- PERRIT - appears to derive from a diminutive of 'Piers'
'Peter', O.F.
- RASPIN - More common in Hull, Yorks. Also place in
Lincs. May derive from 'raisin' (market) or
M.E. 'raspis' (wine).
- DOLLIVER - Rare in United Kingdom. 'D'olliver' in Melb.
(Vic) telephone book. May be from Latin 'oliva'
(olive). One of Charlemagne's twelve peers
was a d'Oliver.

EDITOR'S NOTE:- We are sorry about the question marks!
Perhaps some other members can help. Any
additional contributions, and comments, are
welcome.

Compiled by JOHN MARRISON

SOCIETY PUBLICATIONS AND SALES

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JOURNAL

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