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# *President's Message*

by

Doug Forrest



We now have over five hundred members with energy and interest in family history. The encouragement and guidance of that energy and interest is the responsibility of the State Executive, Branch Committees and the Special Interest Groups. The value and further controlled growth of our Society depends upon this and it is my daunting task to see that this happens. It is an interesting challenge. The enthusiasm and support of the executive provides the basis for strong further development.

Welcome and best wishes to Mr. Cecil Hardinge, who has taken over as Hobart Branch Chairman following the resignation of Mrs. Lilian Watson.

Fortunately, Lilian's support and experience will still be with us but I know she will get great enjoyment in being able to spend more time with personal interest and other commitments. Her leadership of the Society since its formation in Tasmania early in 1980 has been dedicated and has established a "growing tree" of which we are all proud.

Talking of trees, how many meetings have been made richer by a member bringing along for display, his or her family tree. Talk to a lot of members and this is something they would really appreciate seeing. I am not talking of our 9 and 12 generation charts, but the family information which is gathered and includes brothers and sisters of ancestors and their lineage showing how you are related to your 2nd, 3rd, 4th cousins, uncles, etc. Some people just don't know how to start something like this as it all seems too complicated and takes so much space.

We could all learn something here from those who have something to show and share with other members. Discussion of the fun and games associated with gathering information and fitting the missing pieces in the "jig saw" would fill an



evening meeting with little difficulty and would help others to appreciate the enjoyments (and frustrations) of recording a certain section of history and heritage.

Our Tamiot Board is now showing the results of the interest and work put in by members (and friends) doing cemetery transcriptions and recording burials information. It was also pleasing to see the two burial lists published in the last journal - this information can often be an exciting find. If these and other lists can be published periodically in our journal they will form a statewide register in the possession of every member. I look forward to seeing more of these as time and effort permit.

I would like to see every branch investigate and record the names from honour rolls, war memorials, etc. in their region. This information will not usually be found in cemeteries because it provides a list of former Tasmanian people, some of our ancestors, who have been killed overseas or were missing in action. Honour rolls can be found in schools, public buildings, business houses, sporting and service clubs, marine boards and district or community halls, etc.

While in Melbourne at the end of September, I took the opportunity to call in to the Victorian Branch Library in the Block Arcade. It was fortunate that the Victorian President, Major Carlisle Stephen, Secretary, Mike Saunders and Administrator Mrs. Yvonne Lord, were at the headquarters and it was a pleasure to meet them and discuss aspects associated with our Societies and to see through their library. Unfortunately, time was too short to appreciate the information available or to spend time looking through the volumes on the shelves. I can only recommend anyone to call in and see for themselves. It also gives a better insight into books available which we may not otherwise see in our own facilities.

Bereavement Thanks



My wife and family join with me in expressing our sincere thanks to members of the Society for their sympathy and condolences following the death on July 31st of our loved son and brother John. It was a sad loss to us all.



## *Last chance to see Blyth*

by John Marrison

Looking at the map, in the comfort of my Aunt's sittingroom in Sheffield, Blyth seemed temptingly close to Bawtry. I knew I could catch the X25 bus from Sheffield direct to Bawtry and that the service ran every two hours. Once there, surely I would be able to get a Trentbus to Blyth. (Blyth is situated in the county of Nottingham, Bawtry is in South Yorkshire). I decided to give it a try.

So the next day, when the 10.30 from Sheffield dropped me off in the wide market square of Bawtry, my first reaction was to examine the bus timetable posted in the bus shelter. HORROR! no direct service to Blyth. But there was a service through Ranskill, which is only 2 miles from Blyth, leaving in an hour at 12.30. Just time for a spot of lunch at the local cafe. Inside, I spent the time waiting for the meal looking at the blowups of early prints of the town and wishing I could take them home with me. After lunch, and feeling more at ease with the world after a hearty meal of Meat and Tatter pie, I ambled around to the bus shelter. When the bus eventually arrived, my request to the lady clipper for help seemed to me to be met with some grim fascination on her part. She, no doubt, was musing on the inane lengths that tourists will go to to "meet the people". However, she promised to let me off at Ranskill and thoughtfully handed me a timetable for local buses. I stuffed this in my pocket to be perused later, for we would be travelling through the very countryside that my people had lived and died in for the last 200 years.

All the places on the map that my family had frequented, first found through those mad hours after the seminar at Rosny and the first I.G.I. printouts, would unfold before my curious eyes. Not quite, in fact we only passed through Scrooby, which is the next village to Bawtry. This is famous for being the birthplace of William Brewster, the leader of the Pilgrim Fathers who sailed to America aboard the Mayflower. The village buildings were mostly of the warm red brick that abounds thereabouts. It was possible that at least some of the older buildings may have been built by my ancestors as they appear to have been largely bricklayers by profession.

All around the village, were large fields stretching endlessly in monotonous flatness to the horizon. The river Idle, that on the map at home I had traced through its many windings till it met the mighty Trent, ran off to the north east, hardly wider than a large ditch; not at all like a wild river and not at all as I had imagined. The bus chugged its noisy way into Ranskill and I alighted to the cheery wave of the clipper. I was alone and feeling a little lost.

The signpost showed "Blyth 2 miles" and as I followed the squelchy furrow that passed for the footpath, down the road, into the lowering murk, I began to rue the idea of seeing Blyth. Fortunately the road was fairly level. Although a few cars passed by, no-one was prepared to risk giving a lift to the odd-looking wayfarer, clutching a plastic shopping bag and wearing a crumpled plastic raincoat. I trudged past endless ploughed fields, bare hedgerows, leafless woods, and quaint red brick farmhouses, out of which pounced large angry farm dogs all intent on seeing the intruder off. Round a final bend, I passed under the stanchions of the underpass beneath the Motorway that bisects the lush Midland pastures, and there were the outskirts of Blyth.

Set asquare the great North Road, one of the great arteries of English history, Blyth had once been an important hostelry centre, with many fine inns to tempt the thirsty traveller on his way to distant parts. But today, all was quiet as I hobbled through the streets to the old churchyard. After a short blow me down, I started examining the mossy headstones for family graves. William was surely buried here. (I found out later at St Catherine's house that he had died in Sheffield at his son's house). No luck - nothing!

I turned my attention to the church itself. Built over 800 years ago, it was a good example of Norman architecture. Inside all was in deep gloom and an eerie brooding feeling pervaded. I peered around, looking for the font. (My great-grandfather, Joseph, had been baptised here in 1815). It was so dark that the camera's light meter failed to register at all. Still, I had to take a shot. It was my only chance.

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This I did hurriedly, furtively, fearing an admonishment from some unseen rector for daring to desecrate the hallowed precincts. It was a relief to emerge outside once more. I changed the film in the camera and remembered the bus timetable lying crumpled in my pocket, examination of which gave me my second nasty shock of the day. It was not 2.10 pm and, according to the timetable, the only bus passing through Blyth, heading towards the X25 bus route, would pass by at 2.30. Even this would only take me to Harworth which was  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles from Tickhill which was the closest point on the route home. It was all turning into a nightmare! But there was nothing for it but to find the bus stop. The post-office was the only shop to be seen, and luckily the bus shelter was right outside. I tried within for postcards of the village but the best I could get were 2 dusty old photos of the church. Not much call for postcards, evidently, in Blyth.

The bus was late, of course. Had I known this, I could have spent the time exploring the village, although I would only have 30 minutes there. The conductress, on request, advised me where to get off. The middle-aged man sitting next to me now proceeded to give me conflicting instructions on where best to alight, during which I heard the conductress sniff to the driver "He's not my responsibility. I've done my best". I decided to stick with the middle-aged man who, as it turned out, was getting off at Harworth too. On alighting, he pointed me down the inevitable country road, and wished me good luck.

The time was 3.30 and I knew if I didn't get to Tickhill by 4 the bus to Sheffield would have gone and I would have another 2 hour wait. Once again I strode off into the ever-deepening gloom. The headlights of the passing cars were now beginning to show out quite brightly. I envied the drivers their snug heated interiors. It began to rain more heavily and the night was closing in. I reached the market cross of Tickhill and sullenly waited for the bus. It was late, as expected, and the rain had seeped through my old raincoat as I waited. The bus arrived back in Sheffield by 5 o'clock just in time to join the mad commuter rush home. After a long wait, during which many buses, filled to capacity, passed, I eventually



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squeezed onto one.

I walked into my aunt's house as she was sitting down for dinner, which always started at 5.30. "Did you have a nice day dear?". Should I explain the day's perambulations and that I had spent the whole of the day getting to and from Blyth? All for 30 minutes stay. No - too complicated. Instead I replied "Well not exactly Auntie, but you see it was my last chance to

### *New Members*

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BURDON, Mrs W.A.	"	SIMMONDS, Mrs B.W.	"
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DICK, Mrs D.E.	"	UREN, Mr B.T.K.	"
DOODY, Mr T.T.	"	VINEY, Mrs B.F.	"
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MORRISON, Mrs J.A.	"	GOODGER, Mrs R.	NZ
PARKER, Mr & Mrs J.E.	"		

## *News from Branches*

HOBART BRANCH by Cecil Hardinge, Chairman

Lilian Watson's decision to resign as branch chairman will be noted by our members with regret. All are aware of the untiring effort which she devoted to help establish and maintain a happy, hard working branch. Her deep thinking leadership and personality have helped develop this branch beyond all expectations. Lilian is now hoping to have time to help the society/branch in other ways, plus devote more time to her family and personal interests.

All members wish Lilian well and sincerely thank her for the establishment of such precedence for others to endeavour to continue.

This year has been no less busy than others and no less successful as membership numbers continue to grow. To cope with this, it has been necessary to seek the participation of more members. However, there is always a continuing need for more helping hands in a variety of ways.

Unfortunately ill health has caused the resignation of Ian Yaxley as treasurer. We sincerely thank Ian for his help during the time he could devote to the task.

Welcome to Vickie Potter who has undertaken the position of treasurer and is proving very capable in such a short time.

At the September meeting Ted Bezzant spoke of various families who were among the early settlers of South Arm.

Lilian Watson was the guest speaker at the October meeting with the theme "Early Records of New South Wales and Norfolk Island". Both speakers provided those members present with two very informative and interesting evenings.

A sincere thanks to all who have accepted the request to be a guest speaker or participate as a member of a panel during this year.

On Saturday 20th October, Bill Neilson conducted a walk through history at Bellerive. The weather was

## Hobart Branch News cont'd

kind and all 14 adults and 3 children had a pleasant morning. Our thanks to Bill for giving his time and sharing his wealth of local historical knowledge.

### Forthcoming events

Special January Meeting : this has been arranged to coincide with a visit to Hobart by Mr Dean Boundy, President of the South Australian Genealogy and Heraldry Society Inc. The subject will be Records and Special Projects in South Australia  
Venue: Uniting Church Hall, Cnr Cambridge Rd & York St Bellerive.

Date: 9 January 1984 (Monday)

Time: 7.45 pm

February 21 at Rosny College, Subject "Using the Tasmanian Archives".

March 20 Topic has yet to be selected from a variety of subjects.

April 17 Annual meeting with election of officers.

The National Trust of Australia (Tasmania) will be holding a Heritage Week during April and our society has been asked to participate. We are being ably represented at the planning meetings by Shirley Johnson.

The committee of the Hobart Branch desire to take this opportunity to wish all members of the Society a happy Christmas and good fortune through the coming year.

Changes to the elected committee of the Hobart Branch are as follows:-

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## STOP PRESS : HOBART BRANCH DINNER

Our dinner which had to be postponed from September, will be held on Friday 27 April 1984. Charge will be \$14.50 per head. There will be a display of family heirlooms and nostalgia, and a guest speaker is being arranged for the occasion.

## BURNIE BRANCH NEWS by Dawn Collins

Members had an exciting time recently when we arranged with our local Council to help them clean out some very old and dusty pictures, records etc.

About eight of our members turned up bright and early on Saturday morning and we were soon very busy carrying and dusting books of all sizes. Some were very heavy for the girls who attended but as the men were already up ladders and fossicking amongst the grime, it was left to us to carry everything quite a distance from what used to be the Burnie Gaol to our very elegant Council Chambers.

We were given the freedom of the Chambers, and most of us worked through till about six o'clock before calling it a day. As most of us had commitments on Sunday we resumed on Monday morning. Our members had decreased as many had jobs to go to. We had made this agreement with the Town Clerk as Council normally work every Monday but miss when there are five Mondays in the month. Consequently we had the run of the place till Friday and we worked till midnight on some occasions. We had the job of copying anything which we thought would be of value to our society. By Wednesday we could see we had no hope of getting all that we wanted in the time, so we sent out an SOS to any members with a little spare time and worked late into the night. We are pleased to report that we were able to finish all our records. They now have to be collated and indexed, but now we have these records for all time.

There were three books which we applied for on indefinite loan: "The London Journal", "The Sunday Magazine 1869" and "The Graphic and Illustrated Weekly Newspaper 1887".

Our thanks to Margaret Stempel is little indeed for the hours she toiled over these records, and we are indeed fortunate to have her as a member and Committee person as well. I must say that we were all very happy when we had finished.



Burnie Branch News cont'd

Library Report by Michael McLaren

As librarian, I am happy to announce that our Branch Library is growing rapidly according to the interest shown by members as well as non members. We have had members from Launceston and other parts of the state. Additional opening times may be arranged by contacting the librarian.

A reminder to you all that our library will be open Friday nights from 11 November from 6.30-8.30pm and will close for 4 weeks from 17 Dec - 17 Jan 1984 but will be open by special request.

The library committee has been working very hard collating scrap books of Births, Deaths and Memoriams from our local newspapers and then indexing them which will be useful information for all. The response from members acting as Duty Officers at the library has been very pleasing and those who have helped in this way have made the library what it is today.

Our reader/printer is working overtime but has paid for itself many times over. Within the next few weeks we will be purchasing additional microfiche relating to the Post Office indexes from Victoria which will be a valuable collection.

Our Tamiot Committee has been working extremely hard as the following cemeteries are now catalogued in the library:- Yolla, Rocky Cape, Balfour, Stanley, Flowerdale, Penguin (almost complete), Old View Rd Burnie.

We have been fortunate in obtaining several new editions and a special thanks goes to Mrs Best who kindly donated the following:-

Debretts Family Historian,  
Australia's First Century 1788-1888,  
Book of British Towns,  
Wells Geographical Dictionary of the Australian Colonies  
1848,

Scottish Roots,  
Kettle Broth for Tea 1856-1934 Tasmanian Pioneer Family.



DEVONPORT BRANCH NEWS by Diane Bardenhagen

We have had two successful cinema evenings; "We of the Never Never" and "Phar Lap". Although this is a pleasant and painless way of raising funds, it has been decided to limit this venture in case the novelty wears off.

Devonport Burial Records

Permission has been given to copy these. We are awaiting details from Council Clerk.

Latrobe Burial Records

Mrs C. Morris and Mrs K. Dick were thanked for their effort in photocopying these records.

Lilico Cemetery

Mr Tony Parker reported on this burial ground, which will be destroyed due to the widening of the highway. There are only two headstones intact for the Mulligan and Trebilcock families. These were transcribed by Mr Parker. The Secretary, Miss H. Anderson, advised that the Devon Historical Society would attempt to have the headstones removed, and relocated at the Pioneer Cemetery at Leith.

August Transcription Report

Members gave a vivid report on transcription day at Forth, viz: trying to locate the cemetery, struggling through the onion weed which has engulfed the area, disappearing into hidden holes in the ground when least expected, enjoying the natural history of the area, and yes, eventually completing the transcription!

Indexing Project

Mr Brian Carney reported on the progress being made with the indexing of Births, Deaths, Marriages, Funerals and Memoriums. The work done so far is excellent. A plan of the Ulverstone Cemetery for transcription days was presented, along with an alphabetical listing of the same cemetery. Congratulations are in order to Mr Carney and his mother, who is also assisting with this work.

Local Records

Members advised that the Deloraine, Sheffield and Ross Councils allow the public to look through the births and deaths records for a fee of \$6.00.

Guest Speakers

Mrs Holroyd and Mr and Mrs Thayer were guest speakers at separate meetings and were most interesting.

Increase in Members

It is pleasing to report an increase in our membership to 45. "The baby is growing up".

## LAUNCESTON BRANCH NEWS

Our library will close over Christmas and the New Year, from Saturday Dec 17 - Jan 18, 1984. Visitors who would like to visit the library over this holiday break can phone:

Betty Wood 44 5146  
Karlana Nagle 44 1240  
Marlene Arnold 44 7885

Library hours are Saturday 1 pm-4 pm and Wednesday 2-4 pm

The Annual Dinner will be held on Friday March 30, 1984 at 7.30 pm at the "Matador". The cost will be \$12.00 per head.

Congratulations to Phil and Judy Rainbird on the birth of a baby daughter.

As many members are away during the Christmas holidays there will be no meeting in January. We look forward to seeing you again on February 7, 1984.

Topics and speakers for meetings next year include:-

1. February : a talk by Mr and Mrs Jetson, who are members of our Launceston branch.
2. March : show and tell
3. April : Annual general meeting followed by discussion of members' problems.



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# Cemetery List

OATLANDS OLD ANGLICAN

CODE: OA 05

Location: Stanley St, Oatlands - about 1 km east of the Midlands Hwy. Burial ground reserve has been cultivated with permission from local Anglican Church. Part still Crown Land.

Grid Ref: Lands Dept 1:100000 Lake Sorell Map Sheet (8313), grid ref 306E 155N

Jurisdiction: Local Anglican Church (may move loose stones to make memorial wall near church)

Opened: Earliest monument 1831

Monuments: 91 - possibly more in vault (caved in)

Transcribed: 19 March 1983 by G.S.T. Group

Burial Register: Original at Church.

<u>REF NO</u>	<u>SURNAME</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>
00064	ADAMS	Henry, died 17 Jan 1881, aged 11 yr 4 mths
00027	ALLWOOD	Amy Jane, died 1 Aug 1891, aged 20. "Farewell husband ... love my children ..."
00005	AITCHISON	Henrietta, daughter of George AITCHISON, died 25 (?) Oct 1853 aged 2 yrs
00007	AITCHISON	Sarah, (half of stone is missing- reads: Sarah, ... loved wife of .AITCHISON ... Township, ... Jan 1832 .. 7yr
00033	BAGLEY	Charles Ellis, died 29 Sep 1863, aged 3 mths Also Arthur Ellis BAGLEY, died 2 May 1867 aged 2 yrs Also Robert Ellis BAGLEY, died 12 May 1867 aged 7 yrs
00032	BAGLEY	Prudence, wife of George Ellia BAGLEY, died 24 Dec 1881, aged 51
00013	BAILEY	Dorothy Ann, wife of John BAILEY, Newick Parattah, died 29 Nov 1890 aged 76 Also John BAILEY, died 4 Oct 1891 aged 80
00014	BAILEY	Mary, wife of Thomas BAILEY, died 12 Apr 1888 aged 34
00058	BARLOW	Sarah Anne, died 20 Oct 1859 aged 4 yr 4 mths.



- Also Sarah BARLOW, died 31 Dec 1859  
aged 2 yrs. Half stone.
- 00031 BARWICK Thomas, son of Edward & Elizabeth  
BARWICK, died 5 Dec 1842, aged  
18 months. Part of stone only.
- 00070 BASS John, infant child of Jasper & Eliza  
Bass, died 22 Oct 1845, aged  
2 mths 18 days
- 00077 BEARD Alfred, died 1 Jan 1905, aged 9 yrs  
Also Jesse BEARD, died 11 July 1914  
aged 69 yrs, of Bedfordshire,  
England.  
Also Charles BEARD, killed on  
Gallipoli Peninsula, 8 Aug 1915  
aged 39 yrs
- 00076 BEARD Jemimar, died 18 Jan 1888  
Also John BEARD, died 8 Aug 1891  
aged 84 yrs
- 00008 BENNETT Ellen, wife of Robt C. BENNETT,  
died 24 Feb 1899 aged 52 yrs
- 00026 BENNETT James, died 7 Dec 1856 aged 50 yrs  
Also Jane KEALY, died 26 Aug 1887  
aged 73 yrs
- 00010 BENNETT James, died 7 Nov 1925 aged 81 yrs
- 00009 BENNETT Robert Charles, my husband, died  
31 Oct 1922, aged 80 yrs  
Also Agnes Laura, wife of above,  
died 28 Apr 1926 aged 76 yrs
- 00079 BOOKER Benj'n, Color Serg of 31st Regiment,  
died 14 May 1842 aged 32 yrs,  
leaving a widow and two children
- 00040 BRYANT ---ory William, died 27(?) May 1843,  
aged 98 yrs. Verse implies long  
painful illness. Erected by  
order J.A. WRIGHT, G.A. GOODALL  
(Very faint)
- 00001 BURKE John, a constable of this island,  
accidentally killed by the dis-  
charge of his own gun at Ash-  
grove near Oatlands, 30 Jan 1846  
aged 28 yrs.
- 00023 EASTON Thomas, died 6 Mar 1859, aged 59 yrs  
Also Jessie Laing EASTON, died 24 Jun  
1865 aged 29 yrs  
Also Mary EASTON, relict of Thomas  
EASTON, died 12 Feb 1895 aged 80.
- 00078 EDWARDS John, died 24 Apr 1841 aged 60 yrs

- 00063 EVANS Frances, son of Simon & Hannah  
EVANS, died 25 May 1836 aged 4  
months
- 00062 EVANS Helene, wife of William EVANS,  
died 30 Apr 1836 aged 41 yr
- 00024 FISHER Joseph, husband of M.A. FISHER,  
died at Hobart .. Jul 1920 (?)  
in his 76 year (?)  
Faint inscription
- 00040 GOODALL G.A., note reference on entry for  
---ory William BRYANT
- 00048 HEATHCOTT Arthor Eustace, see George PAGE  
00020 HOAKES (Ri?)chard, died 17 Jun 1834, aged  
26 yrs. Erected by James PARKER
- 00022 HUNDY Arthur John, died 12 May 1909,  
aged 30 yrs
- 00052 HYLAND Mary Ann, wife of Michael HYLAND  
died 12 Jun 1893 aged 48 yrs
- 00056 IVES George, died 5 Aug 1835 aged 49 yr  
leaving a widow & 4 children to  
deplore his loss.
- 00019 JACKSON Rich'd, died 1 May 1841 (?) aged  
40 yrs. (Stone pitted)
- 00002 JONES Peter, died 3 Mar 1849, aged 33 yrs
- 00026 KEALY Jane, see James BENNETT
- 00016 KIMBERLEY Sarah, died 3 Feb 1843 aged 17 yrs
- 00035 LAMB Mary, wife of John LAMB of Oatlands  
died 18 Apr 1837 aged 28.  
"... a wife, a mother sleeps.."
- 00018 LILLYCROP Thos, died 27 Apr 1843 aged 30 yrs
- 00025 LITTLECHILD Jane, wife of Henry William LITTLE-  
CHILD, died 1 Nov 1862, aged  
30 yrs  
Also Louisa Mary, infant daughter  
of Henry & Jane LITTLECHILD,  
died 5 Dec 1862 aged 5 mths
- 00011 LONG William, died 18 Nov 1855 aged 66 yr  
leaving a widow and 8 children
- 00017 LORD Mary Jane, infant daughter of James  
LORD Esq, J.P. of York Plains  
in this district, died 16 Aug  
1840 aged 7 mths
- 00037 MADDEN Catherine McFarland, died 28 May  
1853 aged 2 mths
- 00036 MADDEN Charles, died 18 Mar 1858 aged 35 yr
- 00060 McEWAN John Thos, son of Joseph & Mary  
McEWAN of Oatlands, died 23 Aug

- 1833 aged 11 mths  
Also Catherine McFarline, their daughter, died 28 Aug 1840 aged 13 mths
- 00061 McEWAN Joseph, died 8 Jan 1842 aged 12 yr  
00028 MIDDLE.TCH William Mathew, died 14 Mar 1846 aged 52 yr
- 00066 NEWBY Ann, eldest daughter of John & Charlotte NEWBY died 19 Oct 1859 aged 18 yrs  
Also Thomas, died 16 Sep 1840, age 3 months  
Also John, died 21 Dec 1845 age 6 mn
- 00067 NEWBY John, died 25 Nov 1876 aged 59 yr  
00065 NEWBY Mary Ann Chorllotte (sic), wife of of John NEWBY, died 9 Sep 1846 aged 25 yrs. "... her infant children ... "
- 00059 NEWMAN Joseph, died 11 Mar 1854 aged 46 yr  
00069 NICHOLS Hannah, died 16 Jun 1847 aged 18 yr  
00068 NICHOLS Herbert, died 15 Dec 1853 aged 2 yr & 10 mths  
Also Francis NICHOLS, died 24 Dec 1853 aged 3 yr 7 mths  
Broken in two
- 00029 NICHOLS James, died 6 Jan 1854 aged 3 mths  
00048 PAGE George, died 12 Dec 1842 aged 2 yr 6 mths  
Also Louisa Lydia PAGE, died 26 Jan 1856 aged 1 yr 6 mths  
Also Harriet PAGE, died 28 Sep 1867 aged 32 yr 7 mths  
Also Samuel PAGE, died 31 Mar 1878 aged 68 yr 28 days  
Also Grace Ann, wife of Samuel PAGE died at Hobart 8 Aug 1882 age 66  
Also Arthor (sic) Eustace, eldest son of Euctase & Alicia HEATH-COTT, grandson of Samuel & Grace PAGE, died 7 Mar 1872 aged 1 yr 10 mths  
Also Alicia Ades (sic) daughter of Sydney & Charlotte PAGE died 13 Feb 1881 aged 5 yrs  
Also Algernon Harriss PAGE, husband of Ellen Alma PAGE died 18 May 1905 aged 58 yrs (cont'd)



- Also Myra Kaytleen Grace, died  
26 Sep 1887 aged 10 yr
- Also Eileen Alma died 11 Sep 1893  
aged 14 yrs, daughters of above.
- 00090 PAIN Jane (Mrs), died 14 Sep 1844 age 78
- 00006 PAIN John, died 11 Dec 1862 in the 65th  
year of his age.
- Also Mary PAIN, wife of above, died  
? Jan 1866 in 66th yr of her age
- 00085 PALMER Annie, died 6 Sep 1926 aged 43yr
- 00075 PALMER George, died 18 May 1890 age 46
- Also Jane E. PALMER, wife of above,  
died 9 Nov 1932 aged 80 yr
- Also Thomas S., died 8 Sep 1906 age  
27 yr
- Also Sydney J., died 27 Jan 1883,  
aged 1 yr 6 mths
- Also Charles E., died 13 Jan 1888  
aged 3 yrs
- 00021 PALMER George, died 18 May 18-- aged 46 yr
- Also Sidney PALMER, died . Jul ...,  
aged 5(?) yr 10 mths
- Also Charles E. PALMER, died 1(5)Jan  
1888 aged 3 yr 3 mths  
(This appears to be an old headstone  
of adjacent double plot)
- 00084 PALMER John, died 31 Jan 1873 age .. yrs
- Also Martha PALMER, died 19 Sep 1879  
aged 44 yr
- Also Rose Jane PALMER, died 17 Sep  
1875 aged 6 yr
- 00083 PALMER Thomas, our husband and father, died  
22 Sep 1909 aged 60 yr
- 00020 PARKER James, note reference on entry for  
Richard HOAKES
- 00050 PORTER William, died .. Feb 1861 aged 70 yr
- 00047 POWELL Edwin Ernest, son of Thomas & Sarah  
POWELL, died 5 Dec 1864 aged 3 yr  
9 mths
- 00046 POWELL Sarah, wife of Thomas POWELL, died  
3 Jun 1910 aged 77 yr
- 00044 POWELL Sarah, died 26 Jun 1877 aged 13 yr
- 00045 POWELL Thomas, died 15 Jan 1871 aged 56
- Also Arthur Richard POWELL born  
26 Jun died 27 th, 1871
- 00054 PRESNELL Ele Amelia, daughter of Thomas &  
Christiana PRESNELL, died 2 Apr



OATLANDS OLD ANGLICAN CONT'D .6      CODE: OAO5

- 1834 aged 3 yrs 9 mths  
(broken stone)
- 00055    PRESNELL    Eleanor, died 3 Feb 1831 aged 46 yr  
(broken stone)
- 00053    PRESNELL    John, of Antill Wells, died 20 May  
1831 aged 45
- 00030    RANSLEY    Elizabeth, aged 24 yrs  
Also Richard RANSLEY, died (4?)  
1838/58, aged .. yrs.  
(illegible & broken)
- 00003    REID        Alexander, died 24 Apr 1844 aged 35
- 00012    ROBERTS    ...t Clarence (?) Peter, Assistant  
Commissary General, died ...  
(illegible)
- 00087    ROBINSON    Barbara, infant daughter of John  
& Hannah ROBINSON, died 30 Sep  
1840 aged 65 days
- 00086    ROBINSON    Hannah, wife of John ROBINSON of  
Oatlands, died 20 Aug 1842 age  
31 yrs
- 00091    ROBINSON    John, born in Bristol England,  
9 Oct 1799, died Oatlands  
22 June 1876
- 00088    ROBINSON    Mary, infant daughter of John &  
Hannah ROBINSON, died 19 Feb  
1843 aged 18 mths 14 days  
Also Frances ROBINSON, died 2 May  
1846 aged 7 yr 9 mths
- 00089    ROBINSON    William Bannister, died 19 Oct 1861  
aged 2 yr 3 mths 21 days
- 00051    SALMON     James, son of Thomas & Mary SALMON  
died 7 Feb 1840 aged 10 mths
- 00073    SAWFORD    Albert John, husband of Emma L.  
SAWFORD of Swanston, Stonehenge,  
died 7 Nov 1933 aged 51 yr  
Also Emma L. SAWFORD, wife of above,  
died 17 May 1969
- 00072    SAWFORD    Alfred, third son of William & Sarah  
SAWFORD, died 30 Oct 1974 age 90
- 00043    SAWFORD    Henry William, son of John & Susan  
SAWFORD, died 24 Dec 1844 age 8  
yrs 11 mths
- 00038    SAWFORD    John, died 5 May 1856 aged 52 yr  
(inscription faint)
- 00039    SAWFORD    John, husband of Eliza SAWFORD, who  
died at Baden, 17 Sep 1903 aged  
64

- Also Percy Charles SAWFORD, second son of John SAWFORD killed in action on Gallipoli Peninsula 12 Nov 1915 aged 29 yrs
- 00074 SAWFORD William, died 22 Sep 1914 aged 67  
Also Sarah Ann, wife of above, died 21 Feb 1952 aged 97 yr
- 00057 SMITH Thomas, late Sergt of 96 Reg., died 9 Jun 1858 aged 53 yrs  
Also Jane, his daughter, died 24 Nov 1853 aged 6 yr  
Also Mary Elizabeth, died 11 Dec 1853 aged 9 yrs
- 00081 SOLOMON Elizabeth, wife of Michael SOLOMON died 7 Aug 1848 aged 55 yrs
- 00080 SOLOMON Michael, died 27 Dec 1835 age 9 mth
- 00082 SUTTON Charles, died 8 Jan 1855, aged 54  
".. Dear wife ... love my children .."
- 00034 WHERRY Samuel, died 29 Apr 1859 age 53yr
- 00015 WILLETT Joseph, died 10 Feb 1907
- 00071 WILSON John, died 23 Jul 1840 age 58 yr  
Also the remains of his ...(rest is missing)
- 00042 WRIGHT Eliza, daughter of John & Mary WRIGHT, died 3 Jun 1842, 3 wks
- 00040 WRIGHT J.A., note reference on entry for ...ory William BRYANT
- 00041 WRIGHT Sarah Stewart, infant child of John & Mary WRIGHT died 28 Aug 1839 aged 10 mths
- 00004 R J. Footstone only, inscribed J.R. 1850

## T.A.M.I.O.T.

Work in processing Hobart TAMIOT records is progressing thanks to the growing group of typists doing this work at home. If you have a few hours free time occasionally, have a typewriter at home or work and would be prepared to help in this area, it is now possible to collect a 'take home' work list complete with a 2-3 hour assignment. These are available at our monthly meetings in Hobart or from the library in Percy St (ask those on duty). If neither of these arrangements suits you, it is possible to have work personally delivered in the Hobart area or posted to other areas.

Where possible every effort will be made to give you something to help in your own research - so be sure to mention special areas of interest. Phone Shirley Johnson on 002 437486 for special deliveries.

Anyone who has used the indexes in our library will appreciate the work involved in compiling them. If you can help share the load there is so much that can be done. If you want to know just what, join the workers and get a preview - and a chance to use the material before everyone else!

Cornelian Bay transcriptions are continuing to progress thanks to Carol Rodway's Tuesday sessions. If you would like to spend time in a peaceful environment and enjoy fresh air and sunshine check with Carol (486639) first because Cornelian Bay is quite a large area to find people in.

#### TRANSCRIPTION DAYS - DERWENT VALLEY

<u>November</u>	By the time you read this the Red Hills municipal cemetery at Bushy Park/Glenora will have been completed and possibly the Anglican cemetery at Plenty.
<u>December</u> )	None planned - but don't forget the Tuesday sessions at Cornelian Bay
<u>January</u> )	
<u>February</u>	Saturday 25th. Tyenna Cemetery, 10 am. As this is only a small one, we may be able to move on to another spot depending on the numbers who turn up!
<u>March</u>	Saturday 24th.) confirm place by phoning
<u>April</u>	Saturday 21st.) Shirley Johnson or attending meeting prior to day or checking at library.

We try to make the most economical use of cars on these occasions so if you would like a lift or can provide transport please phone Shirley Johnson (late afternoon or evening preferably).

#### Launceston

Pat O'Toole reports that Launceston branch has transcribed Frankford, Sidmouth Auld Kirk and Winkleigh cemeteries during October and Wesley Vale was scheduled for November. If you can help or would like information on Launceston's programme, phone Pat on (003) 44 8393.

New Norfolk (first called Elizabeth Town), has the oldest church in Tasmania still in existence.

By 1822, the population of the large township on the Derwent River, 40 km north west of Hobart, was 600, due mainly to settlers from Norfolk Island (hence the name) and by 1829 had increased to 2,000.

St Matthews Anglican with its beautiful stained glass windows and gabled roof, was built in 1823 as a school house and used as a church in 1825, being consecrated on 30 April 1828 by Thomas Hobbs SCOTT, Archdeacon, of Sydney.



Due to the rapid growth of New Norfolk, the church has seen many additions and repairs. In 1830, four rooms were added, at right angles to the main body of the building. In 1850, the church was completed. The church tower, dating from 1870, was poorly built and had to be demolished in 1909. The existing bell came from Port Arthur in the 1890's. In 1953 and 1977 renovations were again made.

In 1822 Rev. Robert Knopwood gave up the Chaplaincy of Hobart Town and retired to New Norfolk, but was replaced by Rev. H.L. ROBINSON in 1825 (when the church records began) who in turn was replaced in 1832 by Rev. William GARRARD who in 1847 was buried in the Stephen Street graveyard.

The church records from St Matthews are in the Archives Office in Hobart.



## Notes

### NOTES ON ENGLISH RESEARCH

#### Pre 1837 Durham County Marriages

Mr W.E. Rounce of 40 Salcombe Ave, Jarrow, South Tyne-side, Tyne and Wear, UK has an index of 140,000 names, covering 65 Durham parishes pre 1837, and is prepared to look for entries provided that the equivalent of 21 stg is sent to cover postage etc.

#### Family History Society Indexes

Don't forget that many Family History Societies are busily indexing the 1851 census, marriages and cemetery transcriptions. Make sure that you see the journal for the area in which you are interested. Many are exchanged with our society but if not let Theo Sharples know and we will try to arrange an exchange. A few examples culled from the September 1983 edition of the Family History News and Digest are offered below:-

Cornwall Family History Society has transcribed more than half the Cornish parishes for their 1813-1837 Marriage Register Project.

Devon Family History Society has 40,000 names on its Marriage Index (206 parishes) and has also indexed surnames for nearly 12,000 baptisms at the Parish Church of St Andrew, Plymouth, UK.

Doncaster, Cheshire and North Cheshire Family History societies have their census indexing well in hand, and the Family History Section of the Yorkshire Archaeological Society is indexing the Leeds census.

Rosendale Society for Genealogy and Heraldry has 55,000 slips for its Lancashire Marriage Index

Many other societies are also compiling indexes. See Jeremy Gibson's booklet on "Census Indexing" and Marriage Indexing (Walcott and Gibson) both published by the Federation of Family History Societies and available in our society's libraries.

The journal of the Federation of Family History Societies "Family History News and Digest" provides a useful selection of abstracts from recent family history journals, under such headings as General Interest, Computers, Archives Sources, Social Background, Specialised Libraries and Collections, Monumental Inscriptions, Marriage Indexes etc.



## NOTES CONTINUED

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Genealogical Libraries hold indexes to English and Scottish Parish Registers and Census Indexes for England 1841-1871, Scotland 1841-1881, and a microfilm index to St Catherine's House records of births July 1837-1860 and marriages July 1837-1850.

There are two libraries in Victoria:-

1. Cathies Lane, Wantirna, Vic. 3152
  2. 285 Heidelberg Rd, Northcote, vic. 3070 (tel 481 7079)
- Hours of opening 10 am - 2 pm, Tues, Wed, Thurs and 6-10pm Fri. Sat 10am - 6pm.

The Church's Centre for English Genealogy produces a Bulletin published at least quarterly, a sample copy of which may be obtained for stamps to the value of \$1 from P.O. Box 11631 Salt Lake City, Utah. 84147 USA. The Bulletin is described as "a guide for the do-it-yourself genealogist, explaining the collections for English research at the Genealogical Society of Utah and their use at a branch library and by correspondence etc". (Copies may be seen in the Society's Bellerive Library.)

## NOTES ON AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH

Hard luck if you want to make any enquiries by post from the Victorian Public Record Office or the Queensland State Archives. Neither are answering postal queries until further notice.

### Victorian Records

The Genealogical Society of Victoria has announced the imminent publication of a booklet designed to direct family and local historians to major sources of information within Victoria. The booklet has been compiled by the relevant custodians for each record repository and includes:

Australian Archives, State Library of Victoria (inc Latrobe Library), Public Record Office, Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Genealogical Societies, Historical Societies, Churches, Service Records, Land Records, Convict Records, Cemeteries (inc list of those indexed), Education Department and references to overseas information available in Victoria.

Copies will be available by mail for \$5.75 interstate, from the Secretary, Genealogical Society of Victoria, Room 1, 1st Floor, Block Arcade, 98 Elizabeth St, Melb. Expected publication date early November.

NOTES CONTINUED

Member Mrs Lesly Adams writes:-

"I would like to acknowledge through the Ancestry, all the help and information that Mrs Carole Rodway has given me. I see by the newsletter that she is no longer the Research Officer. Carole has given so much of her time in research for others, that I would like to say a big "thank you" on behalf of myself and others who she has helped. She will be missed".

Mrs Adams also passes on a request from an English friend, who is a member of the Yorkshire and Essex family history societies:-

"Could you ask through your newsletter, that it would be nice to have reply coupons with people's queries to our branches here, and that we don't have lots of records in our homes! The Secretary here gets about 10-15 letters a week from people abroad saying "my g-g-grandfather was born in England about 1860, can you send me more details of him. His name was X". We have a lot of Essex records at the Record Office but that is all. A few indexes are in the library. We are all writing to any Y.A.S. and F.H.S. friends abroad asking them to try and clarify the situation so would you pass it on please."

With that I will sign off, thanking you all at Tasmanian Ancestry for an interesting newsletter that I look forward to reading each quarter.

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Mrs Elizabeth Simpson writes:-

"I write this now as my 'official' letter of thanks to the Genealogical Society of Tasmania for their kind invitation to come over and address them, both at Hobart and Launceston, whilst I was touring Australia. It was both an honour and a privilege to be able to do this.

I met so many wonderful people and heard such stories of grit, sacrifice and sheer hard labour. I came home quite humbled.

Please pass to the Society my sincere thanks. It was good to be able to see where and how they meet and to have a chance to see your library and know what resources you have and how you use them.

I send also my warmest good wishes for the future of the Society."

## NOTES CONTINUED

### MELBOURNE GENERAL CEMETERY

The Genealogical Society of Victoria is starting a project to transcribe all the headstones at the Melbourne General Cemetery.

DON'T FORGET that in our own library, we have the microfiches for the Victorian Post Office and the Bailliere Directories.

### G.S.T. RESEARCH DIRECTORY 1983

The Launceston Branch Committee apologises to subscribers for the quality of the copies of certain pages, due to the quality of the ribbon used in the original typing. The following is to clarify queries received from subscribers;

BURP	should read	BURR	Devonport Tas Aust	Pre 1930	112
EDWARDS	"	"	EDWARDS England	Pre 1840	104
ELMER	"	"	ELMER St Marys Tas Aus	C1870	68
KIRKALDH	"	"	KIRKCALDY Norfolk Eng	Pre 1800	112
MAXIX	"	"	MANIX Tas Aust	C1870	112
GUEST	"	"	Carrick Tas Aus	1847+	112

Copies of this Directory are available from the Launceston Branch for \$5 plus postage of 70c.



### *Clerk of the House*

The REMINISCENCES OF HUGH MUNRO HULL  
1818 - 1882

To be released in the very near future. A facsimile copy of Hull's Reminiscences from his earliest recollections of the colony in 1824 until 1875, covering the period he was the Clerk of the House of Assembly in Tasmania. The work is complete with biographical reference notes, bibliography, and index. This hard back volume is being published as a limited edition of 1,000 copies only. Special pre-publication offer to members of the G.S.T. at \$13.95. Please forward orders plus \$2 postage to:  
L.V. Andel, 33 Minerva Avenue, NORTH BALWYN, Vic.3104



ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE or THE BODY IN THE BOX by Theo  
Sharples

My great-grandfather appears to have been a believer in alternative medicine. I am, too, as those patient souls who have heard about How My Tension Headaches Were Cured can testify. However, it was a bit different in Great-grandfather's case. He was ill, he wouldn't go to hospital (man-like!) but he chose the alternative: medicine. Eventually, he went to hospital - in a box for a post-mortem.

Here's how it happened. Extracts are taken from the Inquest published in the Mercury on 15 March 1888.

"An inquest was held yesterday afternoon at the hospital before Mr F.W. Mitchell, JP (coroner) ... on the body of William RENNIE who died at Slopen Island on Sunday last. Dr Lever, assistant house surgeon at the hospital said ... in his opinion hepatitis, or inflammation of the liver was the cause of death".

"On March 6, deceased complained of a very bad cold and said he was in great pain. He went to bed that night and was unable to get up next morning. On Tuesday night he took an ounce packet of Epsom salts, on Wednesday he took another and witness (Joseph Rennie, son of deceased) gave him a little tea that night. On Thursday gave him some chicken broth. Deceased remained in bed until Sunday. Two fishermen named George KING and Harry CHAMBERS also went to the house and baked some bread. At 9 o'clock on Sunday morning, deceased got up and bathed himself in some hot water and mustard, then returned to bed, and about an hour later he took  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz of salts and some castor oil. Witness (Joseph Rennie) gave him a little tea with some rum in it, part of which he drank. Shortly afterwards he asked witness to get him some hot water, ginger and nutmeg, but the latter could not be found. Went into the room to tell his father so and found him speechless." He died later that day.

Footnote: I was once told by someone who was not all that much older than I am, that her mother used to dose her with hot water, ginger and nutmeg if she felt poorly. I must try it some time.



# Library Notes

by Theo Sharples

By the time you read these notes, we may be closer to knowing whether we are about to move to different, more spacious premises. Southern members will be aware that there is a possibility of our being able to occupy part of the old Bellerive Post Office which has been replaced by a new building at Rosny Park, near the Eastlands shopping centre. Until the Clarence Council has made its decision, we are keeping our fingers crossed.

One thing of which we are certain is that we have recently received a grant of \$1,500 from the Division of Recreation to be spent on library equipment for the benefit of the whole Society. We fancy the idea of buying a microfilm reader so that we can use some of the many useful records that are available in this form. However, we would need to get a reader that would also print out. This would cost \$3,000+, so a committee has been formed to consider other ways of spending the money to the best advantage of all our members. Any suggestions? Anyone got a demo. model going cheap?

I've said it before and I'll probably say it again ad nauseam - there is a wealth of interesting and helpful material to be found in the journals we have. As in other fields of knowledge, up-to-date information appears in journals often before it is available in book form. An article in the SUSSEX FAMILY HISTORIAN, Vol 5 No7, Sep 1983 entitled "Parish Registers for Beginners - and Others" opened my eyes to quite a number of facts and possibilities about the use of Parish Registers which hadn't occurred to me before. It gives some clues about why you don't find what you hope for sometimes in what ought to be a sure source of information.

We have received our copy of the Folkestone Family History Society's publication MY FAVOURITE ANCESTOR. This is a selection of articles contributed by members of the Folkestone FHS and the Kent FHS. I found it good reading, and was interested when I came to one about Grace Hindle, knowing that Hindle is a name that occurs among our Society's members' interests. Grace, a working class girl from Lancashire, won a diploma from a French academy for her invention of an "improved means of taking measurements for dressmaking and similar purposes."

We have acquired a set of shelving of the kind used in bigger libraries than ours for the displaying of journals.



LIBRARY NOTES CONT'D ..2

On it we are displaying current journals and the booklets etc that we sell. Each section is clearly marked; you may buy anything you like from the top shelves, but please return to its place whatever you remove from the bottom shelves.

The library has been open, 7-9 pm on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month since the start of October. Although there has been little patronage so far, we intend to continue the experiment until the end of daylight saving in March.

The library will not be open during the weeks immediately before and after Christmas Day. In January, it will open only on Wed 11, 18 and 25, since many of us are enjoying a holiday in that month. However, we are always happy to open up out-of-hours for visitors from elsewhere. This can be achieved by ringing the following numbers:

Hon Librarian (002) 47 6313 or

Mrs Jean McKenzie (002) 25 3709

Mrs Shirley Johnson (002) 43 7486

Normal opening hours (Wed 9.30am-12.30pm) and Sat (1.30-4.30pm) will resume in February.

Early in October, a copy of a marriage certificate found in a Hobart street was sent to the Society in the hope that we could find an owner for it. At the time of writing we have not found one, although we are following a possibility. If anyone has any helpful ideas after reading the details, we'd like to hear from them. The marriage was that of Philip Bulfit Rudge (an improver) to Isabella Mitchell (daughter of a storekeeper), both of full age, celebrated on 24 March 1881 by Rev Claude W. Roberts at the house of Mrs Mitchell at Latrobe (Tas).

FAMILY HISTORY AWARD - Ten entries were received two of them being eligible for the manuscript section. Judging is proceeding and we hope to be able to announce the winners of the two sections in the New Year.



CHANGE OF ADDRESS

We again draw your attention to the fact that our postal address changed from PO Box 78 Claremont to GPO Box 640G, Hobart, Tas. 7001 in January 1982.

# *Convict Women in V.D.L.*

Phillip Tardif

Generally speaking, there has been very little written on the life and character of Australia's convict women. What has been done has often simply been 'tacked on' to accounts of the lives of male convicts. The women's story has thus tended to be over-generalised, both in terms of chronology and geography. The character and experiences of the Irish woman transported to Sydney in 1800 for sheep-stealing, for example, was likely to be vastly different from that of the London pickpocket sent to Hobart Town in the 1840's. On top of this, these accounts have, perhaps understandably, concentrated on the extremes of behavior and experiences, rather than on the 'normal' events of a convict woman's life.

With this in view, I am attempting, under the 'special projects' section of the Australian Biographical and Genealogical Record (ABGR) bicentennial project, to build a picture of the lives of a particular group of women convicts, by bringing together a broad range of information on each individual. The particular group that I am covering comprises all those who arrived in Van Diemen's Land as convicts, or who received colonial sentences there, from the first settlement at Risdon Cove in 1803 until the end of 1829 (about 1600 women in all).

The first part of this work, when completed, will comprise a detailed historical analysis of the information compiled. Its basic objective will be to construct an accurate and comprehensive picture of the character and experiences of the 'typical' convict woman in Tasmania at this time.

The second part of the project involves the presentation of all the information gathered, arranged in the form of a 'potted biography' for each individual convict. The following information is to be included:

- convict's name
- date and place of conviction
- sentence
- crime
- ship(s) on which transported
- any comments of interest made by the ship's surgeon
- description (including age, height, trade, native place, colour of hair and eyes, distinguishing marks)
- colonial offences and punishments ordered

further criminal offences in the Colony, and sentence  
marriage  
status at the musters of 1805, 1811, 1818-21, 1823,  
1832, 1833, 1835, 1841, 1846 and 1849  
date and means of release: Ticket(s) of Leave, Free  
by Servitude, Conditional Pardon, Free Pardon  
departing the Colony, escape, death  
any other information of interest that comes to light.

The information on each woman will be between half and  
one page.

I see this section being of particular interest to geneal-  
ogists. At present information on Tasmania's women  
convicts is widely scattered, making research into the  
life of any individual both difficult and time-consuming.  
The project will give genealogists and other researchers  
a single reference from which to draw a great deal of  
this information.

Having briefly outlined the scope and objectives of the  
project, I now invite anyone with information on convict  
women who arrived in Tasmania between 1803 and 1829 to  
send me a copy, together with its source, for inclusion  
in this work. My address is:

2 Tryon Street, Hackett, ACT 2602

I am particularly interested in any information on the  
women who arrived before 1820 as records for this period  
are very patchy, and would be delighted to find the names  
of two of the three women who arrived in Bowen's original  
settlement party in 1803. I have positively identified  
the first, Mary Hayes per 'Glatton' (1803) but records of  
the other two have so far proved elusive.  
Information on any of the women covered by this project,  
however, will be most gratefully received.

Below is an example of the type of information so far  
compiled, set out as it will appear in the published work.

Ann DART (No 76)

Dorset Quarter Session

24 April 1827 - 7 years

Transported for larceny

Gaol report: Bad. Married

Stated this offence: Stealing property in a dwelling  
house. Once 7 days in custody on suspicion. My husband  
Joseph Dart a cabinet maker. I have not seen him for

3 years. He ran away and left me.

Transported to VDL on the 'Sovereign' (1827)

1827, Dec 20 - W.H. Hamilton/Absent all night and frequent cohabitation with soldiers - A fortnight solitary confinement at New Norfolk and 3 months Crime class. Female Factory.

1830, Feb 5 - Dr Landall/Drunk and disorderly and fighting yesterday - confined 3 days on bread and water (suspended).

1830, May 17 - Dr Landall/Drunkenness and disobedience of orders - Cell on bread and water 14 days.

1831, Aug 29 - Wife of Ashton/ Assaulting and threatening to take the life of William Bird of Launceston - ?  
Female Factory, George Town.

Muster: 1832 - Married to John Ashton

Muster: 1833 - Married to John Ashton

Hobart Town Gazette, 25 April 1834: Free by servitude,  
24 April 1834.

#### TRACING SCOTTISH ANCESTRY

One of our members, Mrs Annette Macquarie, writes:-

"The following information may be of some use to people wishing to research their Scottish forebears.

Although the Scottish Genealogical Society does not research ancestry, their Secretary :-

Miss J. Ferguson  
Hon Secretary  
Scottish Genealogical Society  
21 Howard Place  
EDINBURGH EH3 5JY Scotland

was very helpful and informed me that several articles had been published on our ancestral family in their magazine "The Scottish Genealogist" and I could obtain copies if I wished from:-

Mr Robert M. Strathdee  
Hon Librarian  
Scottish Genealogical Society  
89 Craigleith Road  
EDINBURGH EH4 2EH Scotland

These turned out to be very informative with all the references listed and the 15 photocopies plus postage cost £4.

I have attached a copy of their pamphlet for information.

## Tracing Scottish Ancestry cont'd

Please note that if the latest known Scottish date is prior to 1855, precise details of place of birth or marriage (ie town or village) must be stated as the old parochial registers of Birth, Deaths & Marriages are not indexed before that year.

The Scottish Genealogical Society is also collecting information on emigrants who left Scotland before 1855 for Australia.

The Society put me in touch with a private professional researcher who charges £5 an hour and would start work immediately. He could give me no idea of the total cost but I assumed from his letter that it would be expensive.

Another source for tracing Scottish ancestry is:-  
The Scots Ancestry Research Society  
3 Albany Street  
EDINBURGH EH1 3PY Scotland

I have attached a copy of their information sheets to show the sort of information required. (Ed.Note: Information sheets and sample application forms available in Society's Library, Percy St., and photocopies may be obtained.)

I paid the £10 registration fee with an overseas draft from the Commonwealth Trading Bank (cost \$20.21 which included \$3 issuing charge). I received a reply within a week acknowledging receipt of the money, saying they would be able to start in 9-10 months. I have been told to expect a bill for much less than their usual maximum of £80 and in fact you can specify on the form the amount you wish to spend without further consultation. As they are a non-profit making organisation, I assume they are the cheapest researchers (hence the long wait).



### REQUESTS TO RESEARCH OFFICER AT MAIN GST LIBRARY (HOBART)

In future a cover charge of \$1 will be made for postage handling and any extra costs incurred, such as photocopying, for all requests. Reference is made to our Hobart library holdings only.

This service is free to members, but there is an extra fee of \$5 for non-members.



## *Book Review*

MOUNT ROYAL - A SOCIAL HISTORY

Author: Jean Uhl

Gold was discovered in Victoria in 1851. The Immigrants Aid Society was founded in 1853 as a refuge for the destitute - those for whom gold had proved elusive, those who had been deserted by gold-seekers and those too old or feeble to take care of themselves.

Its first location was a collection of shanty-like wooden structures in St Kilda Road, Melbourne. It later evolved to become Mount Royal, a leading geriatric hospital.

This thoroughly researched book documents the struggles, both financial and personal, of the early Committees and inmates of the Home, the Night Refuge, the T.B. Ward and the School for children. Histories of some of the inmates are given, together with a brief history of nursing, both in the Home where the early nurses were the inmates, and in the State. The treatment and frequency of disease is shown and details of the life and labour of the inmates are discussed.

The Appendix contains a listing of staff over the years, while the Chapter Notes are useful for gaining further insights and possible research sources. There is also a bibliography and an excellent index.

The author has compiled a card index to deaths in the Home from 1869-1890, and those people born overseas have had their details extracted and sent to the relevant F.H.S. by the Australian Institute of Genealogical Studies, whose members typed the Index.

Anyone wishing to purchase a copy of the book can do so from: The Secretary, Mount Royal Hospital, Parkville, Victoria, Australia, at a cost of A\$13.95 plus postage and packaging charges of A\$2.90.

## Members Queries

### SHOREY, S.

Any information please about his death, possibly buried in Deloraine. His wife Estha may also be buried there. Any information at all about SHOREY family in the Deloraine area would be appreciated by Rata Goodger, 15 Waterworth Avenue, Onekawa, Napier, N.Z.

### BONNER WOODBERRY

Harriet Alice Augusta BONNER married John WOODBERRY in the Fingal district in 1852. Their children married into the following families: BECKER, SMITH, WALKER, KENWORTH, WILLIAMS, SMITH, SEELIG, BRAMICH, TRIST, NAPPER, KENWORTHY (2), HUETT.

Some of the next generation names are: WOOLNOUGH, VINEY, FINLAY, HINES, RUDGE, TILLIARD, ELLISTON, COOK, BARNARD, HILLS, STAGG, HARVIE, SULLIVAN, LAWS, STANDVIN, HORTON, HALL, GILLESPIE, RITTER, COLLINS, REEVES, BYE.

Does anyone know where Harriet BONNER came from in England? Death Certificate says Devon which has over 300 Parishes! Please reply to Mrs Rata Goodger, 15 Waterworth Avenue, Napier, New Zealand.

### SMITH DREW

Any information please on Francis and Henrietta SMITH of Epping, Campbelltown. Henrietta's maiden name was DREW. They had a daughter Henrietta who married Samuel WOODBERRY in 1877 at Deloraine. Please reply to Rata Goodger, 15 Waterworth Ave, Napier, New Zealand.

### KIEFEL

Johann Heinrich Samuel, b C1834. Jenkau Silesia arrived S.A. in the 1850's. He married Johanna Christiane FIEGERT at Angaston, S.A. and they moved to Victoria mid 1860's. Also anything on Johann Gottlieb Kiefel senior & junior.

Mrs R.J. Tolman, 4 Wheeler St, Dubbo, NSW  
2830

### TURNER

Jeanie Louise, Buried Cornelian Bay Cemetery in the Tolman Family Vault, was not directly related to James Chubb TOLMAN. She would have died after 1883. Mrs R.J. Tolman, 4 Wheeler St, Dubbo, NSW. 2830

MEMBERS QUERIES CONT'D

AGGAS William (1805-1875) m. Mary Anne SMITH.  
Children : Pleasant (b1845), Patience.  
Any information please to Mr J. White  
27 Miller Street, West Heidelberg, Vic 3081

MALEY John (1806-1880) m. Sarah ?. Children: John  
(b1843) m. Pleasant AGGAS.

BROWN Samuel (convict) (b1820) m. Eliza COLEMAN  
(convict) (b1821). Children: Mary Ann  
(b1855) m. John Thomas WHITE.  
Information please to Mr J. White, 27 Miller  
St, West Heidelberg, Vic 3081.

DIXON John DIXON arrived 1838 having been convicted  
RAYNOR for forging. His wife ESTHER and two  
children JOHN and ESTHER joined him sometime  
in early 1840's. His daughter married James  
RAYNOR, a butcher, in New Town in 1845 and  
they had at least four children. John DIXON  
went to Victoria after his wife's death but  
nothing is known of their son JOHN.  
Further information may be obtained from  
Mr Kevin French, 7 Alandale Avenue, Balwyn,  
Vic, 3103 who is anxious to know anything  
about descendants of Esther RAYNOR or John jr.

MICKLEBOROUGH, JACOBSON, TATTERSALL, ABBERTON  
O'MEARA, FAY

I am seeking photographs in any condition of  
the following ancestors of mine and will willingly pay  
the cost of copying, certified mail or other arrange-  
ment. I will take the utmost care of any copies or  
originals loaned and will supply the owner with a  
quality print.

Robert MICKLEBOROUGH 1838-1911, buried Perth Cemetery.  
Husband of Mary Ann (JARMY) father of Lewis William.

George JACOBSON 1831-1907 and wife Mary Ann TATTERSALL  
1844-1916 both buried Launceston. Issue 14.

John ABBERTON 1838-1870 and wife Annie O'MEARA ?-1908  
both died Evandale, parents of Mary Jane and Thomas  
Michael. After death of John, Annie married Patrick FAY.  
Known issue Nell, Linda, Albert, Poppy, James, Rose.

Reply please to Leonie Carpenter, 6 Wentworth Street,  
South Hobart, 7000. Phone 23 7948

## MEMBERS QUERIES CONT

PLAYER Susan, b 1834 on the Huon, d 14 December 1903 in Victoria. Married James Hay KITTELTY (a sawyer) in 1850 in the Huon district. James died 1896 at Ballarat, Vic. Both are buried at Ballarat New Cemetery. James arrived in Hobart in 1833 with his parents Solomon and Anne who had ten children. One sister Ann married Henry CHAPMAN in parish of Trinity. Children of Susan and James were Susan (1852), Mary Ann, James, William, Esther, Matilda, Emily and Ada. Any information please on early C of E churches on the Huon and on the PLAYER family generally, also anything about the descendants of both above families. Reply to Mrs Eleanor Alston, 64 Argyle Road, Kew. Vic. 3101.

O'BRIEN Arnold (b 1846); Anastasia Theresia (b1847) m. Edward BEARD (children Eveline, Mary, Violet, Arthur, Lucy, Donna); Charles John (b 1854); Henry Wallace (b 1857) m. Elizabeth TURNER; Emily (b 1861) m. Thomas BANKS (children May & Olive, twins, Thomas, Emily, Grace); Arthur Edmond (b 1846) m. Margaret? children Eileen m. ?McGHEE); Francis William, Edward John Lowther; William Wallace (b 1869); John Joseph (b 1871); Ernest; Frank; Bernard; Gordon; Gervase Wallace (b 1894); Basil Aloysuis (b 1896); Eric; Francis William. Helen Babauta, 18 Culcairn Drive, Frankston, Vic. 3199. Ph: 78 11470

TOLMAN Mary Ann, nee WATTS, daughter of John and Anna WATTS of Bath Mills and wife of James Chubb TOLMAN; they were married at Jericho 1831. Their four sons were: William Watts James Chubb, John Gibbs and Edward Kelly. There is no record of Mary Ann's death (C 1840 ?). Mrs R.J. Tolman, 4 Wheeler St, Dubbo, NSW. 2830

## REPORT OF PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

A more appropriate title for this report would be "Report of the Journal Production Committee" as our resources are fully occupied in getting the Journal out quarterly, with none to spare for other worthy activities connected with publications in the broader sense.

### PRESENT PATTERN OF JOURNAL PRODUCTION

1. All material is received by the co-ordinator of the Publications Committee and handed to the editor, Audrey Hudspeth.
2. The editor does preparatory work on received contributions, scans other journals for material for "Notes" and reviews, negotiates any specially solicited contributions, and hands on as much as possible to chief typist, Jenny Bugg.
3. Weekly journal workshops are held on each Friday of the month preceding the issue of the journal, usually taking two to three hours, except for the final assembly, which may take four to five. These workshops are attended by the co-ordinator, editor, and members of the editorial panel, Jenny Bugg, Leonie Carpenter, Robyn Manser and cartoonist Carol Hook. Further contributions are sorted and edited and four Fridays usually suffice to prepare the journal for the printers. An average of 60 man hours go into the journal production.

### PROBLEMS OF JOURNAL PRODUCTION

The main problems are:

1. Receiving copy after the requested dates (1st Feb, 1st May, 1st Aug, 1st Nov). This puts pressure on the typist as we cannot get a clear idea of layout until all the typing is done, and consequently we have to do final assembly in a hurry. This has been the cause of some "messy" patches in the journal.
2. Being expected to get the journal out by a certain date, in order to accommodate some deadline imposed by Society activities

### PROPOSALS FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS

The Executive should feel free to criticise the Journal and suggest alteration to its format and methods of production. Therefore, the job of editor should come up for review annually, as it is not desirable that one editor or group remain



## REPORT OF PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE CONT'D

in office for long periods. A society like ours which attracts many able people with varied gifts, will profit from positions being passed around at reasonable intervals.

We would like to suggest that, with the growing strength of other branches, the time may be approaching when one of them could consider taking it on, or at least become better acquainted with production processes so they can bear it in mind as a future possibility .

A journal liaison officer in each branch would be a welcome move. This officer could provide feedback to the editorial panel on preferred types of contributions and other creative suggestions. (Please note we are not too keen on suggestions for articles "we" might write!!)

In return, the editor and/or publications co-ordinator would maintain personal contact with each

journal liaison person, and keep them fully informed about what goes on at this end. This should enable branches to feel that they have a bigger stake in the journal, and would enable us to feel that we are more truly representative.

### FINAL COMMENTS

We have not yet produced a journal that lives up to the standard we would like to achieve in the matter of final layout. We have decided to do a minimum of photo-reduction as this seems to be the chief cause of a poor end product, along with last minute gap filling. We assure you that we will keep on trying to make each journal better than the last, and perhaps eventually submit it for a Family History Award!



### WANTED

Professional typist with access to good typewriter, to assist in journal production. New Town district would be handy. Please ring Associate Editor, Jenny Bugg, 28 1869 for details.

## *English Researcher*

RICHARD P. WHITTINGTON,  
39 Heathway, Erith,  
KENT DA8 3LZ,  
ENGLAND.

Genealogical research undertaken in London  
repositories and home counties.



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The Society of Australian Genealogists, with 8,300 members, is the largest genealogical Society in the world?

There are 20,000 Australians belonging to genealogical societies?

## SOCIETY PUBLICATIONS AND SALES

TASMANIAN ANCESTRY (International Standard Serial Number 0159-0677) is the official journal of the Society, and is published quarterly in March, June, September and December. News, articles of interest or scholarship, research notes and queries are welcomed. Each issue is priced at \$3 to non-members. Current issues are free to members and some back copies are obtainable for \$2.

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## BOOKS

- 'Genealogical Research Directory 1983' - An index to 2089 people and the family names they are researching \$10.90 (members) \$11.95 (ns)
- 'Genealogical Research Directory 1982' - International edition \$9.30 (members) \$10.95 (n.m.)
- 'Compiling your Family History' - N. Gray \$3.80
- 'Roots & Branches' - Errol Lea-Scarlett approx \$5.20
- 'Congress Papers of Third Australasian Congress on Genealogy & Heraldry, May 1983' \$12
- 'English Parish Register Transcripts' by N.J. Vine Hall. A list of all known transcripts of English parish registers held in Australian libraries. \$6.20

## JOURNAL

Family History News & Digest - from the Federation of Family History Societies. This is published in England but gives an outline of what is happening in many places. It is a quarterly journal which we obtain in bulk and sell to our members for \$2.60 + postage. A list of those who wish to reserve copies is at the GST Library, Bellerive, to which names can be added. Only a few extra copies are ordered each quarter.

Branches can obtain any of the above for resale or orders can be placed through Despatch Officer. PLEASE ADD POSTAGE.

Photocopies of articles in earlier issues of Tasmanian Ancestry can be supplied.



### MEMBERSHIP IN THE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF TASMANIA

is open to all interested in Genealogy, whether resident in Tasmania or not. Assistance is given to help trace overseas ancestry as well as Tasmanian.

Dues are payable each year by April.

Rates of subscriptions are as follows:

Members	\$15.00
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Application for Membership forms can be obtained from Branch or GST Secretary and can be returned with appropriate dues to a Branch Treasurer, or sent from out of state to the GST Treasurer c/- Box 6400, G.P.O., Hobart 7001. Dues will also be accepted at Branch General Meetings or at the Library.

The Central Library is at 3 Percy Street, Bellerive, and some branches also have a library. Access is free to members but all users of the International Genealogical Index (U.K., Cent. Europe, Misc which contains data for Australia etc) are asked for a small fee. Books, journals from various genealogical societies, index to transcribed tombstones, register of family names and family charts are at the library and books and notes may be purchased here.

Donations to the Library Fund (\$2 & over) are an allowable tax deduction. Gifts of family records, books, maps, photographs etc are most welcome.

Research is handled on a voluntary basis in each Branch. Simple queries from members and the public will be answered upon receipt of postage and envelope. A register of Member's research interests is kept in a card file and reference to this file will be made for distant members. Cemetery transcription index may also be helpful. Non-members may obtain data from this index and have their family names entered in this file for \$3. Duplication of research is often avoided by so doing.

A list of members willing to undertake record-searching on a PRIVATE basis can be obtained if records outside the GST library are required. The Society takes no responsibility for such private arrangements.

Advertising for TASMANIAN ANCESTRY is accepted with pre-payment. \$15 per quarter page in one issue, or \$40 for 4 issues; \$60 for 1/2 page and \$100 for a full page in 4 issues.

CLERICAL ASSISTANCE is always required as all branches transcribe cemetery and tombstone records. Branch officers or TAMIGT co-ordinators would welcome offers of help, the tasks are simple and often increase friendships. The Society's Librarian also welcomes similar assistance, phone 002-476313, and such tasks can often be done at home.

Library Hours 3 Percy Street, Bellerive: Wednesday 9.30 - 12.30; Saturday 1.30 - 4.30, or by arrangement.