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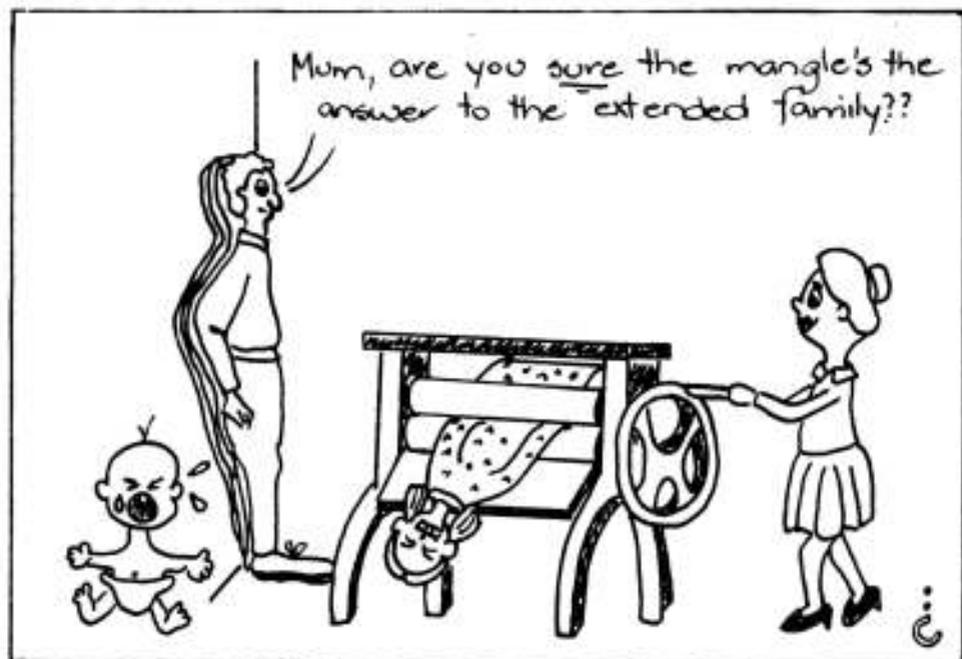
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# Editorial

We look forward to providing another "Northern issue" of the journal in September. Northern members! Please start writing up your copy now. Let your local branch secretary know if you are working on anything, as co-ordination of the project will be arranged through them.

We would like to receive other articles and items, specially any which deal with the solving of particular problems. There is so much useful information in people's heads. Please may we have more of it on paper.

## Letters to the Editor

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Elaine Watson of 1 Manresa Court, Sandy Bay, writes:

"If you know the name of your ancestor and that he was born in England but you do not know which county, take a look in a small book in the Reference Library, Hobart, called "History through Surnames" by Hassall. If the surname is not too common, this book will reveal the county or counties where a particular surname originated or is found. This will enable you to pin-point your search more accurately on the IGI for that county or counties. There are other similar books, but this is the one I found the most helpful."

### NOTES

#### Late Renewals

Please note that if you are late in renewing your subscription, copies of past journals cannot be guaranteed as only a limited number are printed.

PLEASE NOTE: The opinions expressed in the articles in this journal are not necessarily those of the Editorial Panel nor of the Genealogical Society of Tasmania.

# *Strange death of Ada Milton*

by Kevin Whitton

*As a compulsive genealogist, it was always a source of considerable frustration to find that my efforts to locate the death certificate of my great great grandmother, Ada Andrews (nee Milton), were continually unsuccessful, despite my best guesstimates of the date of death; and all known variants of her surname. My frustration was intensified by the then isolation from the Registrar General's records in Tasmania!*

*Reconfirmation of information given on the birth certificates for each known child of George Andrews, tanner, and Ada Milton provided no further clue other than evidence that she was alive as late as April 1870. Without extensive (and expensive) recourse to the Registrar's Index, I began to think that she had simply abandoned home and family, at the comparatively early age of 30 years, and disappeared - perhaps to another state.*

*My efforts to obtain marriage details for George and Ada from these sources were similarly frustrated, which led me to consider the possibility of a de facto marriage. The problem however, was to prove this relationship, when the birth certificates for their children had been completed in the usual manner, indicating that a formal marriage ceremony had been concluded.*

*About this time, my enthusiasm was maintained by receiving details of Ada's arrival from the State Archives. Ada Milton arrived as an assisted emigrant per "Hoogley" on 21 December 1859. She was described as a nursemaid and housemaid, aged 21, Church of England, able to read and write, and a native of Devonshire.*

*I have always found it to be a great help to cross reference my family research to contemporary newspapers, and I was browsing through the "Mercury" for 10 May 1870 on an entirely unrelated matter, when the Milton surname caught my eye. Sure enough, this reference to contemporary source material had paid off with a handsome bonus, and a wealth of detail which enabled me to complete the puzzle of Ada Milton's disappearance.*

*The "Mercury" reported on the strange and sudden death of Ada Milton, who had been found dead in her bed on Saturday 7 May*

under very peculiar circumstances. It was reported that she had recently been confined, " ... and that in the course of Friday night, she arose from her bed and went into another room, having, as she said, had a dream that her husband and children were dead. When having assured herself that they were all right, she returned to her bed and went to sleep; but in the morning, the girl who had been sleeping with her found her dead."

Copies of the inquest were then obtained from the State Archives, and provided further valuable background information - not only of her death, but also specific evidence of her *de facto* marriage; diet; health; and living conditions. The cover page of the inquest gave a summary of her calling, status ('free to the colony'), name of ship, approximate age and date of death, and verdict. The names of the twelve jurors and three witnesses are also recorded.

The evidence of George Andrews was simple, but explicit. He stated that his wife had always been a delicate person, and had been under the care of a Dr Carns for a lung condition over the preceding nine months. She had been confined about six weeks earlier and was aged thirty years. His evidence continued; "On Friday night last, deceased went to bed in her usual health before doing so having taken some gruel and porter. The following morning Saturday 7th instant, I was called from my work by the last witness (the maid, Christina Webber), about Six and a half o'clock, who said she thought Mrs Andrews was dead. I went home and found her lying in bed on her left side. I felt her feet, they were quite cold. She was dead ... Deceased had lived with me as my wife for eight years, but we were not married."

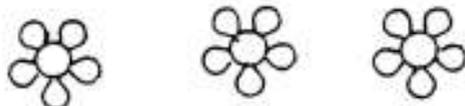
The evidence of the servant, Christina Webber, was even more detailed and gives a remarkably full picture of the domestic arrangements of a working class family. She testified that, although she did not know the name of the deceased woman, "she went by the name of Mrs Andrews". Here was the confirmation of the *de facto* marriage which had eluded me for so long, once confirmed by the husband and again by an independent witness.

In addition, Christina's testimony provided the information that "Mrs Andrews" had been well and hearty on Friday night, and had retired about half past nine. "No one slept in the

room with us but the children, three in number, the eldest of whom was five years old. About twenty minutes to three on the following morning, I got up to make the baby some food. The deceased got up too, and took the light and went into the kitchen where Mr Andrews was sleeping. She had taken it into her head that he was dead. She said, 'I do not hear him snoring as usual'. After looking at him she came back and said, 'No it is all right, he is asleep. What should I ever do if I were left alone with these three children.' She said she had been dreaming. She then got into bed again and fell asleep. After I had fed the baby I laid down beside her again and fell asleep too. I awoke at half after six, got up and dressed. I then heard the baby crying. I went into the bedroom to take him up. Mrs Andrews was still in bed. I thought it strange she did not wake, and I touched her on the shoulder and called her by name - but she neither spoke nor moved."

The coroner's verdict was given as death by pulmonary congestion, and this appears as the cause on the death certificate. It is not a cause of death which would normally prompt an inquest in an age and society where tuberculosis and its variants were common causes of death. The working class background of the family would not normally extend to the insertion of a death or memorial notice in the daily newspaper. Accordingly, I am grateful that my habit of constantly seeking further information from these sources was so successful in this case where I had appeared to have reached a 'dead end'.

To date, I have been unable to locate further details of Ada's Devonshire origins, but I feel sure that no other member of her family would have ever achieved a similar notoriety by the manner of their death, the unusual nature of which seems to have been in such great contrast to her life.



RESIDENTS OF SOUTH ARM LISTED IN ELECTORAL, VALUATION & JURY ROLLS

1856 - 1861.

(Compiled by Ted Bezzant)

Known Marriages are listed alongside with Registrar General's number

John Alomes, farmer: wife Rosina Davidson: St Matthews Rokeby, 10.4.1848  
George Alomes, farmer: wife 1. Janet McKay 2. Agnes Musk  
Richard Bently, butcher: wife Maria Davenport: St Georges Hobart 5.7.1853  
George Barleyman, farmer: wife Sarah Wichell: Hamilton, Tas. 15.10.1850 RGD124  
Joseph Blatherwick, farmer: wife Sarah Bennett: Duse 22.5.1848  
William Brown, farmer: wife Elizabeth Hitchcock: All Saints Hbt 10.10.1857  
RGD 318  
Richard Bailey, Storekeeper & recorder of births & deaths  
James Bowden, signalman and farmer: wife Caroline Sparks: 27.3.1848 Rokeby  
RGD 1482  
Christopher Calvert, gunsmith & farmer: wife Hannah Watson: Trinity Hbt  
16.1.1834 RGD3693  
John Cole, shoemaker: wife Mary-Ann Sparks: Hobart 8.8.1853 RGD 887  
Thomas Foreman, farmer  
George Hitchcock, farmer: wife Mary Osborne  
Thomas Herbert, stonemason: wife Mary Collett  
William Haynes, shoemaker: wife Jane Thompson: 21.2.1848 RGD1628  
William Jacques, farmer  
William Lazenby, shepherd later farmer: wife Eliza Hurst: Sorell 2.7.1843  
Edward Musk, farmer: wife Mary Hoggins: Trinity Hobart 1839  
Samuel Partridge, farmer: wife Frances Jacques  
Edward Pillinger, farmer, leased Betsy Is  
Thomas Snowden, farmer: wife Mary Hall: Hobart 5.10.1853 RGD894  
Martha Winspeare, widow of farmer nee Watson  
James Williams, boatman: wife Jane McDougal  
Richard Wright  
Henry Wilson, farmer, Constable and pound keeper  
William Walker  
Thomas Wilson  
William Tounley, schoolmaster  
James Feakes, labourer: wife Ann Wilmot  
William Langston, farmer: wife Mary Ann Brown: Hobart 7.3.1853 RGD 259  
George Broomhead, farmer and dealer: wife Sarah Lambert  
James Broomhead, farmer: wife Jane Johnston  
Joseph Clarke, farmer: wife Mary Ann Doharty  
William Reason, brickmaker: wife Emma Murdock: Richmond 18.12.1854 RGD 1298  
Thomas Sparks, farmer: wife Mary Ann Spriggs  
William Sneacle, schoolmaster, drowned 1855  
Richard Sparks, householder: wife 2. Elizabeth Furlonger

RESIDENTS OF SOUTH ARM CONTO

Roderick Reynold, schoolmaster 1861: wife Emily Salt: Hobart 1857 RGD 462  
Henry Richardson, Farmer: wife Margaret Spalding: Rokeby 18.11.1858  
George Gellibrand, farmer: wife Catherine Louther  
William Stephens, farmer  
Stuart McKenzie, Rural Police: wife Ann Daley  
John Green, shoemaker: wife Jane Larson: Rokeby 11.5.1846  
Ferdinand Gilchrist: wife Margaret O'Brien: Richmond 6.7.1853 RGD 1415  
John Oxley, farmer: wife Cecilia Connor: Rokeby 1852 RGD 790  
James Pursell, labourer: wife Eliza Brown  
James Hatherall, fisherman: wife Ann Martin: Hobart 16.9.1846 RGD 189  
George Kain, drowned Ralphs Bay 1855

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ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST PAUL  
STRICKLAND, TASMANIA



About 1911 a small shingle roofed wooden church was built on land held by the trustees of the Church of England at Saggy Flats, later known as Strickland, parish Hale, district of Cumberland. Named for St Paul, it was dedicated 23 March 1911.

During a church working bee early in October 1926, the church was burnt down. It was replaced with an iron building in 1928 and dedicated in May the following year. Photographs of this building can be seen at Tasmanian Archives Office.

Part of the parish of Hamilton - Macquarie Plains and ministered by the Rector resident at Hamilton, the church closed about 1969 due to a decrease in the population of the area. It remained unused until 1979 when the building was sold and removed to Dysart to become part of the Woodfield Lodge Christian camping complex. The furniture has been sold individually at various clearing sales in the district since then.

There is a tiny cemetery of three graves. The only headstone is for Harriet Pearce who was interred there in January 1926. The other graves, barely marked, are those of a son and an infant grand-child.

The land is at present owned by Mr and Mrs K.G. Daley, foundation members of the Genealogical Society of Tasmania. Mr Daley's relatives have lived in the area since 1849.

J.M. Daley



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

## HOBART

On 20 April, ten members of the Hobart Branch of the G.S.T., 2 spouses, 5 children and 4 local residents began transcribing the Bothwell cemetery. As Bothwell was amongst the earliest areas to be settled in Tasmania, it is of considerable historical significance. The cemetery, now in the control of the Municipal Council, began around St Luke's Church, which was shared by the Presbyterian and Anglican churches, and it now forms the fourth corner of a square with St Luke's Uniting (previously Presbyterian), St Michael and All Angels Anglican and St Andrew's Catholic churches on the other three corners. The layout divides the grounds into 3 major areas, these being the old Protestant section around and behind St Lukes, the newer Protestant section in the middle (which has an even newer lawn section) and the Catholic section nearest the Catholic church (this also includes 1 headstone in the paddock between the cemetery and church). Our group transcribed most of the old Protestant section and just after 2pm visited Colin Campbell's Slate Cottage and the Thorpe Flour Mill. Both places are fascinating and I'd like to thank both Colin and John Bignell of Thorpe for taking time to show us around.

Some years ago, Bothwell had a second cemetery attached to the Wesleyan Chapel in Dennistoun Road, next to Rock Cottage. There used to be a vault belonging to the Blake family but this has now disappeared. If anyone has any information on this cemetery or would be interested in trying to research it, please let me know. John Seymour Weeding's "A History of Bothwell, Tasmania", pages 12/13, gives a short history of the chapel building and implies a number of burials.

Colin Campbell has given us photocopies of some of the registers from St Lukes, Bothwell. These include baptism and marriage as well as burial and need to be indexed. Fergus Barnard also allowed us to take copies of his copies of some of the earliest burials in the area. These also need indexing. We would like to get these indexed fairly soon because both Colin and Fergus have passed these records on to help relieve the pressure of personally researching for the numerous enquiries they receive. If your typewriter will take thin cards and you have the time to volunteer, I'd love to hear from you. (Shirley Johnson, Ph 43 7486)

We have recently begun regular working bees at the GST main library at Bellerive. These are to be held on the first Friday of even months, the dates for the rest of 1985 being: 7 June, 2 Aug, 4 Oct, 6 Dec. If you can spare an hour or so between 9am - 4 pm on any of these days, your help will be highly valued. There will be a variety of work to cater for all abilities, including checking, sorting, filing, typing and anything else we can think of!

Transcription days for Hobart Branch are 22 June, 20 July, 24 Aug, 21 Sep, (all Saturdays) at Cornelian Bay, and 19 Oct return to Bothwell.

# Library Notes

by Theo Sharples

The important news of the moment is that the Society's Main Library will be moving in the not-distant future into the old Bellerive Post Office in Cambridge Road, just round the corner from where we are now. We shall be sharing the premises with the Riverside Arts Club. We don't know just when Moving Day will be because certain alterations and adjustments have to be made to the building e.g. facilities for disabled people, ripping out walls here and putting in walls there, updating the plumbing, etc. Though not by any means large, it will be better than our present situation. The postal address will still be G.P.O. Box 640G, Hobart, not Cambridge Road, Bellerive.

With The Move in view and the ever-present need for efficient equipment, we are increasing our fund-raising efforts. Vicki Potter has joined the Library Committee as Fund-Raising Officer. The Trade Table now being held regularly at branch meetings is proving a good source of income and we thank the ladies concerned in looking after this.

In March, training classes for library assistants were held. This was necessary because nowadays we are usually too busy to give on-the-spot training on library days, as we used to do. The classes will probably be repeated later in the year.

We are holding regular working bees to process TAMIOT material. Anyone having a minimum of one hour to spare between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on the first Friday of the even-numbered months is very welcome at the library. Work is not lacking.

The Libraries Board, on which all branch libraries are represented, and the Memorials Board held a joint meeting in Launceston in March to discuss library and TAMIOT matters common to all branches. This was a profitable exercise and another one will be held at Campbelltown District High School on Saturday, 10th August, 1985.

The Family History Award will have closed before the next issue of this journal appears. The following material in the Main Library may be of interest to entrants:

Daniel, Lois	How to write your own life story	808 DAN
Lutheran Publishing House	The production of your publication	070.5 LUT
Steel, Don	Discovering your family history	929.3 STE
2nd Australasian Congress on Genealogy and Heraldry, 1980	Papers. 5: Reg. Butler <u>How to write a family history</u>	Q 929 AUS
3rd Australasian Congress on Genealogy and Heraldry, 1983	(Papers) p.84:Alan Bellamy, <u>Publishing a family history</u> (N.B. This paper is written with N.Z. conditions in mind).	929 AUS

#### Reports on Awards

Genealogist	v.3 no.10, June 1982: pp.341-3 v.4 no.2m June 1983: pp.73-5
South Australian Genealogist	v.10 no. 3, July 1983: p. 74
Tasmanian Ancestry	v.5 no. 3, Sept.1984: pp.131-2

These articles indicate what the judges are looking for in a family history.



The first recorded baptims at St. Matthews Anglican Church New Norfolk, is of Debora, daughter of Oscar and Joan DAVIS on 28th August 1825.

# Early Huon Families

Mr Norm Beechey, 808 Plenty Rd, South Morang, Vic. 3752, is preparing a book on early Huon families. He would welcome correspondence from persons connected with the people listed here.

The names are from the VDL Census 1841/2.

## HUON RIVER

William AMOS  
Thomas AUSTIN  
Philip BALANTYNE  
John BARNARD  
George BENNETT  
Henry CHAPMAN  
John CLARKE  
James COLEMAN  
William CUTHBERT  
John DUSON  
Peter GORDON  
John HAY  
Thomas William HERRING  
George ISAACSON  
John KELLAWAY  
Joseph LOVELL  
James MURPHY  
William NEWELL  
Silas PARSONS  
John RATHBONE  
William RUSSELL  
Benjamin SALMON  
William SHERWOOD  
John SMITH  
Stephen STEBBENS  
John THORPE  
Joseph TURNER  
George WALTER  
Thomas WALTON  
Robert WATSON  
Thomas WEBB  
John LLOYD

## SURRIDGES BAY

John RICE  
John MEADOWS

## HOBART

William MAYCOCK

## PORT CYGNET

Thomas COHEN  
Matthew FITZPATRICK  
John GARDENER  
Thomas HARDING  
Thomas HAYLEY  
Richard POOLE  
John ROBINSON  
Daniel ROOK  
James SPENCER  
Charles WILLETT  
Thomas WILLETT  
Benjamin O'Neil WILSON

## PEPPERMINT BAY

William BARNBY  
George BEADLE  
Elisha HUNT  
Henry JONES  
James MASON  
George MURDOCH  
William RUSSELL  
Richard TIMMS

## FLIGHTS BAY

William BUCKLEY  
William CLARE  
John GOLD  
William HALL  
Eli HORSEFALL  
Edward JONES  
William STEVENSON  
James WALLER  
Michael LONG  
John WISE

## BIRCHES BAY

Joseph LUPTON

## DUMMINS BAY

Michael BARRETT  
Thomas BROOKES  
George ROBBY

## PETCHEYS (PEACHEY) BAY

Charles FITTON  
Robert MEREDITH  
William LEMMING  
William WODLEY

## LONG BAY

John CHARLTON  
Isaac FRITH  
John MC COY  
Samuel MOWBRAY  
William NIBBS  
John SEABURN  
Joseph STEPNELL  
Thomas WILLIAMS  
Thomas HIGGINS  
William FAUN

## FLOWER POT

Samuel DIXON  
Joseph DUNKLEY  
Edward PRICE

## BUDYS

John DALE  
Joseph FOX  
Benjamin McDONALD  
John OLIVE

## DESOLATION BAY

James GARTH

# Members' Queries



## BAILEY

Mr John Bailey, 21 Kathrin Ave, Dingley Village, Vic 3172 would appreciate any information on the following:  
BAILEY (Launceston 1830-50), BYNELL (Launceston 1830-50),  
DRIVER (Launceston 1830-50)

## PHILLIPS

Eliza Jane, b 29 Nov 1846, Oatlands district. Parents were Thomas and Bridgit (nee ROUEN/ROHAN). I am searching for James Henry PHILLIPS believed to have been a brother of Eliza Jane and born around 1844. I also believe this family went to New Zealand around 1854 and would be very grateful for any information or guidance.  
Mrs Dianne McLeod, 1/19 Hurlingham Rd, South Perth, W.Aust. 6151.

## 1. BLAIR

Alexander Thomas Barrett. Arrived Launceston 1839 to work for the VDL Co. He became a shipbuilder, married Mary Ann HEDINGTON in 1841 and died 1900 in Launceston. Children Alexander Henry 1841, Rebecca 1848, Henrietta 1850, Emma Jane 1854, John Henry 1857, William Albert 1859, Marie Ann 1861, Elizabeth Eleanor 1865, James Albert 1866.

## 2. HEDINGTON

Henry, born c1797, died July 1874 Launceston. Daughter Mary Ann b 1823, another daughter possibly Clarissa who married James CURRY.

## 3. LEONARD

Samuel, died 21 July 1894, lived Launceston. Wife Elizabeth. He was possibly adoptive father of Henry Harrington GREEN who married Henrietta BLAIR in Launceston in 1870.  
Any information at all or descendants please. Mrs P.J. Stemp, 55 Riverview Ave, Kyle Bay, NSW 2221.

## RUSH

James, arrived Hobartown aboard "Christiana" in 1822. In Campbell Town 1828 and Patterson's Plains in 1832. His son Thomas married Mary FOY, daughter of James, at Westbury in 1856. FOY was a Pte in the 63rd Regiment, arriving on the "Nile" in 1850 and was granted land at Westbury. Any information appreciated; Mrs R.B. Picken, 55 McEachern St, Bairnsdale, Vic 3875.

## MARTIN

I would like any information which may prove or disprove the theory that John MARTIN Senior, hotel licensee 1825-53 of Hobart and New Norfolk and who died at the 'Star and Garter' New Norfolk in 1861, is the father of John MARTIN, innkeeper from 1841-53 of Hobart. Mrs M. Gosling, 5 Fox Rd, North Ryde, NSW, 2113.

## QUERIES

1. SHADDOCK George (b Sittingbourne, Kent C1814) m Eliza HIGHLAND/HYLAND (b Westminster, Middlesex) at Launceston, Tas, 1844. First issue Elizabeth Nancy (b Launceston), moved to Prahan, Vic. Ninth issue, George Henry (b Grosvenor St, Prahan, Vic, 1861).
2. THOMSON John, m Grace CRAW (4th daughter of Walter CRAW, b 1836 Launceston, d 1886 Launceston). Issue: Percy Ernest (b 1864), William (b 1868, m Jane O'HALLORAN, issue Cecil Victor and others. Lived Ritchies Mill Launceston C1900), Archibald Gordon (b 1870, d 1939), Eva Florence (b 1873), Olive (b 1878). Any information please contact M.C. Rosevear, 14 Cardigan St, East Launceston, 7250.
- ATHORN William and Charlotte arrived Hobartown 1823 with 13 children, where another 4 were born. Known issue were Elizabeth, Sarah, Robert, Mary Ann, Caroline, Harriet, Henry, Emma, Maria. I am seeking proof or otherwise that Hannah ATHORN b 1802, who married Nison JACOBSON in 1824, was a daughter.  
Mrs L. Carpenter, 6 Wentworth St, South Hobart, 7000.
- CORBERT Benjamin Thomas, married Martha POVEY in 1877 in Hobart Town. Their daughter Ethel May married Charles Ross MANSER. Any information please; Mrs Robyn Manser, 10 Lambert Avenue, Sandy Bay, 7005.
- LAWLER Michael, married Susan BULL, 1883, at Tea Tree. Their son James Archibald LAWLER was born approx 1885. Any relevant information plus information on Bull and Lawler families living the the Tea Tree area, to Mrs Robyn Manser, 10 Lambert Ave, Sandy Bay, 7005.
1. MACQUARIE Hector & Mary (nee McFARLANE - married 1837, Mull, Scotland) and their 4 children arrived Hobart per 'Panama' 1853. Hector was buried at Ouse 1856; Hugh and Donald were killed by aborigines in Queensland 1876; Catherine (Kate) married Charles DARE in Hobart 1866. Nothing is known of Mary or her daughter Christy.
2. BUCHANAN John (b C1828) - 2nd marriage to Mary NICHOLLS pre 1865. 3rd marriage to Mary Ann JACQUES 1868. Painter, plumber and City Turncock. Lived in Melville St, Hobart from 1865-1902 (death). Information wanted re early life, arrival in Tas and first 2 marriages (apparently he had a large family some of whom went to Campania, Tas.)  
Information to Mrs A. Macquarie, 93 Elinga St, Howrah, 7018.

## QUERIES

### MACQUARIE, MAC QUARRIE, McQUARRY etc

I am joining the Clan Macquarrie Association (Scotland) and possibly one in Nova Scotia and as there appear to be no similar associations in Australia, am thinking of compiling a central index of immigrants by this name, who came to Australia pre 1900. This would include such things as: date and place of birth, parents' names and marriage, details of arrival, children and their marriages and name and address of contact. Any contributions or suggestions to Mrs A. Macquarie, 93 Elinga St, Hourah, Tas. 7018

### JEFFREY

Can anyone solve the riddle of who were William JEFFREY's forebears? William, my great-grandfather, b C1820, Glasgow, came with his younger sister Euphemia from Glasgow, via Leith on the 'Rajah' in 1842, to Hobart Town. His father was probably John, b C1770-1790. His sister Jean's married name was Haldane and a brother Thomas was a Postmaster in Glasgow. Thomas' son John, attended the University of Glasgow 1877-80, became a Minister of the United Free Church of Scotland at Huelva, Spain and died at Kilmaccolm near Glasgow in 1934. Any clues please to Elaine Watson, 1 Manresa Court, Sandy Bay, 7005, Tas.

## *New Members*

As at 31 March 1985

### TASMANIA

ASTELL, Mrs. J.  
DOVADOLA, Mrs. P.M.  
EAGLE, Mr. M.B.  
FRIER, Mr. & Mrs. G.E.  
GLEN, Miss R.D.  
HAIGH, Mrs. M.  
JENSEN, Miss D.M.  
JONES, Mrs. D.C.  
JONES, Mrs. T.A.  
KOERBIN, Mrs. U.M.  
LANDERS, Miss M.M.  
McARTHUR, Mrs. E.A.  
MacKAY, Lindy I.

### TASMANIA (Cont'd.)

MARGETTS, Mrs. L.E.  
MILLER, Mrs. D.J.  
RALPH, Mr. G.J.  
READ, Mrs. J.M.  
ROBINSON, Mr. & Mrs. D.  
WITCHARD, Mrs. H.M.  
WITHINGTON, Mrs. Y.E.  
WOODHOUSE, Mrs. J.M.  
WOOLLEY, Mrs. W.Y.

### N.S.W.

MARSH, Rev. B.G.  
WEBB, Mrs. V.D.

# Chapel of St. George of Ease

by Ruth Binny



*This forgotten chapel was designed by Molesworth Jeffery and built by John Stublely, the carpenter on the "Bournbank" estate. The building was intended to serve as both a school house and chapel.*

*It is uncertain when the building commenced and when it was completed. However, the earliest inhabitants of the adjacent graveyard, J. Battersby and John Hinds, were interred in 1854 and 1856 respectively.*

*The schoolroom or chapel was 25 feet long with an additional small sleeping room and kitchen for the teacher. The teacher's salary (sixty pounds per annum), was to be found by the Board of Education. The schoolhouse/chapel was the first church in the Lachlan area. Situated about seven kilometres from New Norfolk it soon became the focal point of the community.*

*The chapel was to serve the needs of the small community for over 35 years. An examination of the church registers of St Mathews, New Norfolk, shows several baptisms, a handful of confirmations and in excess of 37 burials services conducted at the chapel (see below). Of interest to members of the Jeffery family is the fact that on several occasions Molesworth Jeffery performed the burial service in the absence of the*

Chaplain, the Reverend W.W.F. Murray.

By 1893 Molesworth Jeffery estimated the congregation to number 80 persons. It is not known exactly when the chapel was last used, but is thought to have fallen into disrepair after 1900 and burned down about 1930. The site of the chapel and graveyard were excluded by survey from the sale of Lachlan Park Estate by Wilhelmina Shillingford (nee Jeffery). Thus the site remains in the hands of Molesworth Jeffery's descendants.

Today of particular interest to Molesworth Jeffery's descendants are the surviving coverstone of Rufus de Bournbank's grave and the cenotaph in honour of Elmina Jeffery.

BAPTISMS

Charlotte EVANS	22 Dec 1878
Edward Maurice JEFFERY	12 Sep 1880
George Albert BRIERS	12 Sep 1880
Salome Beatrice JEFFERY	9 Nov 1884

BURIALS

	<u>Age</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date of burial</u>
John BATTERSBY	81	Labourer	17 Oct 1854
John HINDS	86	Labourer	14 Apr 1856
Mary Ann MAPLY	2 m	Farmer's child	8 Apr 1857
Infant child of Thomas & Martha COX	-	-	Feb 1859
Frederick POOL	2y 11m	Farmer's child	25 Mar 1860
Maria WILTON	3y 4m	"	6 Apr 1860
John MAPLY	16wk	"	22 Nov 1860
Infant child of Richard/Emily TIMBS	-	-	19 Mar 1862
Dorothy BURROWS	63	Farmers wife	23 Dec 1862
David DOYLE	18m	Drowned in Lachlan	20 May 1863
Elizabeth Ann WILTON	15y	Farmer's child	18 Feb 1865
Infant child of Richard/Emily TIMBS	-	-	18 Jun 1866
William BUTTON	70	Labourer	5 Aug 1867
Robert BRIERS	53	Farmer	17 Nov 1868
Ian Arthur SARGENT	8 wk	Farmer's child	29 Mar 1870

CHAPEL OF ST GEORGE OF EASE 3.

Robert George BRIERS	13	Farmer's child	30 Aug 1870
Sarah Annie WARE	1 day	"	8 Sep 1871
Amelia Eliza BRIERS	4 m	Labourer's chd	12 Sep 1871
John STUBLEY	71	Carpenter	11 Apr 1870
Walter TOWNSEND	13	Farmer's child	13 Mar 1878
Elizabeth BRIERS	15 m	"	Oct 1879
(after inquest, drowned in butter tub)			
Eliza JEFFERY	62	Lady	20 Sep 1881
Ernest George NICHOLSON	3 y	Farmer's child	Nov 1882
Joshua John WILTON	4 m	Farmer's child	Feb 188-
Thomas MAPLY	24	Farmer	1880
Robert GOBBEY	4	Farmers child	8 May 1882
Alice Sophia JEFFERY	29	Lady	3 June 1882
Rufus de Bournbank JEFFERY		Gentleman	Aug 1892

SURVIVING STONES: (summarised)

1. Rufus de Bournbank JEFFERY, born April 15 1844, died Aug 23 1892
2. Cenotaph, Elmina JEFFERY, spinster, who visiting Tasmania in Jan 1881, gave fifty pounds sterling to the completion of this chapelry. Born Mar 5 1806 died Feb 6 1885.
3. Eliza Martha, wife of Thomas Alexander NICHOLSON, died Sep 3 ---- aged 68
4. John STUBLEY, for 32 years carpenter on the Bournbank Estate. He built the Lachlan Park Chapel. Died 8 April 1870 in 72nd year.

QUEENSLAND CERTIFICATES

New rates as from 1st October 1984

Full certified copy	\$11.00
Index search for a particular entry above initial 5 year search	\$4.00
Photographic copies	\$13.00

# News from Branches

## BURNIE BRANCH NEWS by Dawn Collins

Library: After trying out the popularity of Thursday night opening of our library, it has been decided with the winter approaching and the lack of interest in attending, that library times will revert to the previous ones, namely Tuesday-Thursday and Saturday 1-4pm. The librarian to contact is M. Stempel.

Annual Meeting Elections for 1985 : The following people were elected:

- Chairman: Mr Micheal McLaren, 70 Alexander St, Burnie, 7320.  
Ph: 004 311416 (Previously our very hard working Librarian)
- V/Chairman: Mr Jon Williams, Deaytons Lane, Elliott, 7325.  
Ph: 004 363182 (Chairman since this branch formed)
- Secretary: Mrs Dawn Collins, 79 Bass Hwy, Parklands, 7320  
Ph: 004 311113 (Held this office for 3 years)
- Treasurer: Mrs Lyn Hookway, 54 Roslyn Ave, Romaine Park, 7320  
Ph: 004 314113 (A newcomer to the Society)
- Librarians: Mrs Margaret Stempel, 25 Franklin St, Brooklyn, 7320  
Ph: 004 311702 (On the library committee for some years)
- Librarian Mr Micheal McLaren, 70 Alexander St, Burnie, 7320.
- Co-ordinator:
- TamLot: Miss Vernice Dudman, 31 Morse St, Montello, 7320.  
Ph: 004 311378 (Elected to this office last year)
- Committee: Mr Norm Nicholas, 21 Malonga Dr, Malonga Park, 7320.  
Ph: 004 313993 (State Secretary )  
Mrs Pat Coleman, 1 Myrtle Cres, Emu Heights, 7320.  
Ph: 004 313450 (a tireless worker as duty officer at  
Mrs Val Whittle (a past Secretary) Library)  
Mrs Moyna Sargent, 172 Mount Rd, Ridgley, 7321  
Ph: 004 357230 (A new committee member)

The committee decided that a reminiscent night will be the format of our annual meeting each year. The first one to be held on 9 April was very successful and well received by members. Every member who wished was given the opportunity to take the floor and present their own version of a memorable happening or to show some object which had a very significant meaning to them personally. The evening went all too quickly and we are sure it will be welcomed as a yearly event.

It is hoped that the Secretary will soon have a twelve-month programme drawn up to present to each member. We HAVE FOR OUR NEXT GUEST SPEAKER, on May 14, Mr HUGH LOANE who is Master Warden of Burnie, and he will speak on his memories of Burnie and of the port of Burnie.

## HUON BRANCH

Our March meeting was an interesting evening, with Mr Pearce, State Archivist, as our guest speaker. He gave us a very informative 'verbal tour' of the archives office and acquainted us more thoroughly with the records available there for research use.

Questions were plentiful from those present and were answered extremely satisfactorily. We felt that as a group and as individuals we had benefited greatly for any work we may be undertaking at the archives in the future. We were pleased to have quite a number of visitors at this meeting and some new members afterwards.

Work still goes on in our 'room', and we sometimes wonder how long it takes to convert a room into a library! We ran a successful raffle to boost our library funds, which was drawn just before Easter, but our biggest problem seems to be to find someone who has the time and desire to be a librarian for our not-yet-existent library!

Tamiot workers enjoyed a visit to the Lower Longley cemetery recently and all voted it worthwhile.

We would welcome suggestions from other branches for guest speakers or ideas for other meeting activities which they have found helpful.

Enid Woolley

## HOBART BRANCH

As the new branch Chairman, I would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude and many heart-felt thanks to Cecil Hardinge for all his hard work which has been much appreciated by us all.

A new committee was elected at the A.G.M. in April. We will be a mixture of new faces and some not so new (no reference to age). I will be assisted by many capable people :

Vice- Chairman	Jim Wall (43 6810)
Treasurer	Ken Read (44 6427)
Gen. Secretary	Mrs Glenys Cunningham (44 3557)
Min. Secretary	Ted Bezzant (39 9110)
Librarian	Mrs Theo Sharples (47 6313)
M'ship Secretary	Mrs Frances Travers (49 3064)
TAMIOT	Mrs Shirley Johnson (43 7486)
Research Leader	Mrs B. Black (44 1439)

I look forward to an exciting year ahead with some interesting speakers for our monthly meetings. It is hoped that we can plan a new members night so that some of our new members have a chance to meet members of the branch committee and others. As our November 1984 meeting was such a great success, it is hoped to repeat this very soon.

Our Special Interest Groups are trying to start meeting again and all members are welcome to attend. Meeting dates and places to be announced.

### Hobart Branch News contd

I am also concerned that the numbers at our monthly meetings do not reflect our total Hobart Membership which is well over 300. Do you have a suggestion for:- a speaker, a topic or any way to attract more members to our meetings. Please let me know as we need feedback from our members. Also are you having difficulty getting to or from our meetings? Please phone me on 34 5309 if this is the case, as we may consider a car pool if it is found necessary.

I look forward to meeting as many members as possible at the meetings in the future.

Andrea Gerrard - Chairman

### PRESS RELEASE

#### FAMILY HISTORY COMPETITION

Tasmania was settled in 1803 but already information about its early pioneers is being lost. As an incentive for the preservation of that history, the Genealogical Society of Tasmania is awarding annually a prize for the best 'Family History' submitted for judging. Whilst a Tasmanian connection is required, the history need not be wholly Tasmanian. It must be the story of a family, not of an individual. The competition is open to the general public as well as to members of the Society. Family Histories published more than 5 years ago are not eligible.

The award will be given for books and manuscripts in alternate years, 1985 being for a book. For the purposes of this Award a book is defined as a printed publication (typeset, offset printed etc.) with paper or hardcovers. A manuscript is a duplicated publication (typed, photocopied) presented in paper covers, folders, etc.

The winner will be determined by an independent selection committee, and, following endorsement by the Society, will be presented with the Award.

Further information on the Award and entry forms are available from the Secretary of the Society by applying to Box 640G, GPO Hobart, 7001. Entries will be accepted up to Friday 30 August, 1985.

Douglas Forrest - President

# Family Reunions

## HODGETTS FAMILY

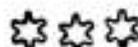
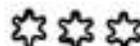
The Hodgetts Family Reunion was held on 16 March 1985 at Longford and attracted over 400 descendants of Second Fleeters Thomas and Harriet Hodgetts.

Although continuous rain restricted activities the huge crowd was enthusiastic and expressed delight at the opportunity to be able to meet other family members, the first ever meeting since the landing of the Second Fleet 195 years ago.

Over 50 descendants as far north as Queensland made the trip from interstate and these people took the opportunity to take a coach tour around the various country areas first settled by the early Hodgetts families. The highlight of the weekend was the visit to Toosey Hospital to meet and talk with the oldest Hodgetts descendant Mrs Hannah (Anna) Williamson who was 104 years old in February. She is extremely active and was able to accept a special presentation and also to talk to the 40 odd people present. Mrs Williamson was able to relate information about their grandparents and other relatives.

Another reunion is planned for 1988 and to mark this occasion a book is to be written about the family and be available at the reunion. Any contributions are asked for and gratefully received. All enquiries are to be directed to Richard Hodgetts, C/- PO Karoola, Tas. 7254, Ph: 003 954187. The program and surnames of those who attended the reunion will be available shortly at the various branch libraries.

by R. Hodgetts



## VINCE FAMILY

The day we had been working towards for the last six months dawned. Eagerly we hopped out of bed, and threw back the curtains, and you guessed it ... RAIN. We could not help wondering whether these conditions prevailed when my husband's ancestors arrived 150 years ago.

Needless to say, there were the usual last minute phone calls to check those things which always wake you in the wee small hours in a panic (and which have always been organised) but the organisers of the Vince Family Reunion had thought of everything.

Hoping for a fine day so that maximum use could be made of the Lower Longley Hall and oval, they had provided barbecues, portable loos and a marquee for some shade!! This proved indispensable - the gas barbies were set up inside the marquee. The attendance of a take-away food van had also been arranged.

Back inside, evidence of six months hard yakka was everywhere. Family charts which were colour coded adorned the walls, and were embellished with certificates and photos. These colours coincided with coded name tags which were in named envelopes containing the tags, pins, programme, and instructions for a Scavenger Hunt for the kids, and which were completed with "Have a nice day" hand written on the back. The envelopes were organised by sending out an invitation/tear off form, which also invited orders for our souvenir spoon, a few months in advance.

Some free standing display boards were borrowed and placed round the hall to display more photos etc., and the D.M.R. which had generously opened the unfinished Vince's Saddle road for our use, also loaned a scale model of the construction site. The land through which the construction is taking place belonged to the Vince family, hence the name.

Upstairs, on the balcony, tables were set up to display the many items of memorabilia loaned for the day, and fern arrangements added to the festive atmosphere.

Inadvertently, the rain probably added to the success of the day, because instead of each family group splitting up for lunch on the oval, we were confined to the hall. We noticed that people were communicating, even if it was only to apologise for bumping into each other. We were originally expecting 600 guests, and according to our guest book (which was signed at the door after receiving their envelopes) approximately 534 attended, which was not bad considering the weather.

In one corner of the hall, a strange looking but effective "Family Tree" had been erected. Hundreds of appropriately coloured cardboard leaves and pins were conveniently on hand, and guests were encouraged to write down any missing or incorrect information, and to add their leaf to the appropriate branch, thus making our tree more complete.

One descendant who is in the trade, made an enormous anniversary cake, which was iced by yet another of the clan, and 'guess who' made a Huon Pine shingle which could be used when taking photographs to mark the occasion.

The Lord Mayor of Hobart, Alderman Brian Broadby, and his wife Janet (who is a Vince) were among the guests, and when asked during the afternoon to draw the raffle for a patchwork quilt, Brian managed to pick his wife's ticket, much to her delight and his embarrassment.

A team of hard workers served refreshments in the kitchen, whilst another family member entertained everyone on an organ kindly loaned for the day, and in the evening the band (one of them a Vince) supplied music.

At the end of the day one of the happy but exhausted organisers was asked "We had a terrific day, we've met people we haven't seen in thirty years, can we have another one next year?". You can imagine our reaction, but then again ....

by C. Hook

## *Book Review*

Laurence F. Rowston: ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF WITNESS: A HISTORY OF THE HOBART BAPTIST CHURCH 1884-1984. Hobart, 1984

The essence of a church lies in its people, not in its buildings. Mr Rowston has told the story of the first 100 years in the life of the Hobart Baptist Church against a background of its people, their activities and their achievements. Each chapter centres around a particular minister and the events which occurred during his term of appointment. The book was published in September 1984 on the occasion of the centenary of the church.

Many well-known names have been associated with the Hobart Baptist Church. Amongst the laymen of the fellowship whose work is detailed here, appear the names of families associated from early days with both the church and the city of Hobart, such as the Soundy family. Among those appointed to minister here Rev (later Dr) F.W. Boreham was outstanding in many ways. His ministry (1906-1916) proved to be one of the most powerful and influential in the history of this church. An able pastor, Boreham was also an excellent preacher - the two gifts are not found frequently together in the same man - and in Hobart in 1911 he began the literary work which made him world-famous and which also became a unique ministry influencing Christian homes around the world. From 1912 until his death in 1959, F.W. Boreham contributed the Saturday editorial in "The Mercury".

As well as detailing the history of the first major Baptist Church in Southern Tasmania, the book tells something of the history of smaller pastorates created as the Baptist faith spread out from the city. It is well illustrated with photographs of people and places, and it is indexed. As well, genealogists will find useful the brief biographies included in the text.

"One Hundred Years of Witness" is to be commended both as an addition to the list of works on the history of the Christian Church in Tasmania and as a piece of local history reporting.

# Notes

## NOTES

### RESEARCHING IN BRITAIN

#### CORNWALL COUNTY RECORD OFFICE PUBLICATIONS

Editor's Note: Selections from this list of publications are given in order to indicate the rich resources available in a County Record Office. If you are researching in UK, find out what there is in the C.R.O.

Guide to Sources for Cornish Family History (1984; 9 pgs plus map).

Describes all records useful for family historians with details and addresses of institutions where they are held and of relevant societies.

List of Parish Registers (1981; regularly updated; 8 pgs, plus map). This lists all parishes in Cornwall and covering dates for which registers are held at the Record Office. It also indicates whether a parish has had its registers microfilmed and which registration district it now comes under.

List of Methodist Registers (1983; 13 pgs, 4 maps). Contains details of over 200 registers of Methodist baptisms, marriages and burials, with introduction, summary history of the various denominations and maps of circuits.

List of Accessions 1981-2 (1982; 62 pgs, 4 illustrations) includes details of all records received during the year, classified by subject (agriculture, communications, trade & industry, Church of England, education, estate, family, local government, Methodist etc), plus articles by members of staff. Invaluable to researchers of all kinds.

List of Accessions 1982-3 (1983, 52 pgs, 6 illustrations)

" " " 1983-4 (1984, 35 pgs, 4 " " )

Family History Information Sheet gives briefer details of sources for family historians (includes list of record agents).

History of a house information sheet gives advice on sources of information for the history of buildings.

#### PRICE LIST (revised Sept 1984)

	<u>At CRO</u>	<u>By post</u> <u>in UK</u>	<u>By</u> <u>Surface</u>	<u>By</u> <u>Air</u>
Cornish F.H. Sources	75p	100p	125p	175p
List Parish Registers	75	100	125	175
List Methodist Reg.	75	100	125	175
List Accessions '81/2	100	150	200	300
" " 82/3	100	150	200	300
" " 83/4	100	150	200	300
Fam History	free	s.a.e.	1 IRC	2 IRC
History of a House	free	s.a.e.	1 IRC	2 IRC

HANGLISTS

No 2. Records of Schools (revised 1984; 31 pages, 12 illustrations). Complete list of educational charity records and records of elementary and secondary schools held at the Record Office (inc log books, minute books, plans and punishment books), with list of school boards and bibliography.

No 3 Pedigrees & Heraldic Documents (1981; 20 pgs, 10 illus). Contains over 150 descriptions of documents held at the R.O., inc manuscript collections of Cornish coats of arms and original grants of arms, with bibliography and index of surnames.

No 4 Parish Poor Law Records (revised 1984, 22 pgs, 9 illus). Summary of surviving pre 1837 poor law records, such as overseers' accounts settlement papers, apprenticeship indentures and bastardy bonds, classified by parish. A useful introduction explains their significance.

Also in process of publication:-

Index to Cornish Probate Records 1600-1649. 4 volumes in alphabetical order of surname. Vol 5 is an index by Parish and occupation.

	<u>By post</u> <u>in UK</u>	<u>By surface</u>	<u>By air</u>
Handlist 2 (Schools)	200p	250p	350p
Handlist 3 (Pedigrees)	150	180	250
Handlist 4 (Poor Law)	150	180	250
Index to Probate Records			
Pt 1 A-O	250	275	400
Index to Probate Records			
Pt 2 E-K	250	275	400

All the above publications can be obtained from the County Record Office, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY. Telephone Truro 73698.

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A LIST OF PROJECTS OF THE GENEALOGICAL LIBRARY, SALT LAKE CITY  
UTAH

This booklet, published by the Federation of Family History Societies, was compiled by the British Reference Unit at the Genealogical Library, Salt Lake City, and gives details of projects, completed and in progress, by volunteers and employees of the library. A wide variety of projects are listed, many having vast indexes of personal names. One is an index, expected to be available on microfilm by the end of 1984, of all persons on board British ships at sea when the 1861 census was taken.

Copies are available from Mr M. Perkins, 4 Churchill Drive, Amblecote, Stourbridge, West Midlands DY8 4JS at 50p plus 15p postage, or from society bookstalls. No rates are given for postage to Australia, but as GST is affiliated to the Federation, enquire from Librarian at GST libraries.

NOTES 3.

PORT ARTHUR CONSERVATION PROJECT (NATIONAL PARKS & WILDLIFE SERVICE)

from Mr Peter Macfie, Historian for this project,

"I'm writing to both offer assistance and seek help from members with information on residents of the Tasman Peninsula both free and prisoners, from 1830 to 1910. (These include the names of convicts, overseers, military and civil officers.)

The P.A.C.P. has accumulated a personnel index on approximately 5,000 free and convict residents. This varies in detail from single entries to more detailed accounts. The index is gradually being added to.

Any information from members concerning ancestors once resident on the Tasman Peninsula would be appreciated.

Hoping we may be of mutual assistance."

Port Arthur Conservation Project

Port Arthur

Tas. 7182

Ph: (002) 502355

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FOURTH AUSTRALASIAN CONGRESS ON GENEALOGY AND HERALDRY

Planning for the above Congress to be held in Canberra between 8-11 May 1986 under the patronage of His Excellency, Sir Ninian Stephen, the Governor-General of Australia, is well under way.

Anthony J. Camp, Director of the Society of Genealogists, London, and one of Britain's outstanding genealogists, is to be Principal Congress Speaker. Mr Camp has been actively involved in almost every major genealogical development in England in the last 27 years, his particular interest being in the preservation of records and their access. He has lectured widely in Europe and the USA and is the author of many books, articles, and various guides to genealogical sources. He has been honoured both in Britain and in America for his distinguished service to genealogy.

Supporting Mr Camp will be leading Australasian genealogists, Nick Vine Hall, Director of the Society of Australian Genealogists, and Verna Mossong, Immediate Past President of the New Zealand Society of Genealogists. Both are respected speakers of international standing and the contribution of these and other qualified speakers from Britain, the US, New Zealand and Australia, with whom the Fourth Congress Committee is currently negotiating, should make the 4-day program stimulating and exciting for participants.

If you have not yet returned your Preliminary Registration of Interest form please do so as a matter of urgency as your subject preferences will be used

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as a guide in finalising the program. This, together with registration forms will be distributed in June and the Committee is asking for firm registrations by mid-November. The Congress address is: GPO Box 666, Canberra ACT, 2601.

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A GENEROUS OFFER

M/s Patricia Berner writes:-

"I am often in correspondence with amateur genealogists in your country and I frequently hear that they find English records slightly daunting and confusing. Having traced my own forebears back to 1456, I have become very familiar with all aspects of our records. Your members may therefore be interested to know that I would be more than happy to give them any advice which they need. I will be happy to answer any queries, but \$1 or \$2 to cover airmail costs would be very welcome (or IRC's)."

M/s Berner is a member of the Birmingham & Midland Society for Genealogy and Heraldry, the Suffolk Genealogical Society, the Somerset and Dorset FHS, Association of Genealogists and Record Agents and an employee of the Federation of Family History Societies. Her address is:

8 Rooks Meadow, Hagley, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY9 0PT, U.K.

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WEBB - ONE NAME REGISTER

Mrs M. Ring of 14 Oakbank Ave, Montrose, Tas., 7010, writes:-

"This society has recently been accepted by the Guild of One Name Studies and hopes that researchers of the WEBB name can give the following details when contacting the society.

1. Specific area of research and time period (remember Webb is a fairly common name).
2. Any Pedigrees, Charts, Trees etc. of WEBB research that could be of help to other Webb researchers.
3. Listing of Marital Partners, particularly Maiden Names, as this is often a great help in research.
4. Reference books, applicable to the WEBB name, I.G.I. extracts for the Webb name.

This information is to be indexed, and where applicable cross-indexed. Please enclose sae or 2 international reply coupons to enable all letters to be acknowledged. As and when a fellow researcher in the same locality/century comes to light, they will be contacted. In this respect, it would be appreciated if a spare postage stamp be enclosed in order to defray part of the costs. At a later stage, possibly the end of 1985, it is hoped to publish a list of all KNOWN WEBB searchers, together with articles of interest sent in my WEBB 'persons'. The convenor is Mr A. Weston-Webb, 20 Pinnockscroft, Berraw, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset. TA8 2NF, UK.

#### NOTES contd.

The members of the Society who braved the elements to record the Bothwell cemetery on Saturday 20 April, were afterwards rewarded with two fascinating inspections.

Slate Cottage, built 1836 for Edward BOWDEN has been faithfully restored by Colin and Rae CAMPBELL. Mrs Campbell would be particularly interested to hear from anyone who could help add to her blue "Asiatic Pheasants" china 1830 collection.

Thorpe Water Mill was the next visit, built by Thomas AXFORD in 1823, it has now been restored by the present owners Mr & Mrs J. Bignell and wholemeal flour is once again produced using water power.

#### UNDER UTILISED RESOURCES?

While the Archives department on the 10th floor bulges with enquirers and people glued to microfilm readers, other important depositories of historical material are often under-used by genealogists.

Lift your eyes off that machine for a while, take the lift downstairs to the Tasmanian and Crowther collections or the Allport Museum, and spend an enriching hour enjoying the pictures and artefacts which make the past come alive. Ask to see maps, prints and books on many aspects of Tasmanian life in different areas of the state.

A major attraction of the Allport is its curator, Mr. Geoffrey Stilwell, who is now based permanently in that section, and has encyclopaedic knowledge of many people and places in Tasmanian history. Visitors are welcome. A recent visitor, making a casual enquiry, discovered that not only did he know a great deal about her female ancestor, but was able to show her a picture she had painted.

#### AMENDMENT TO MEMBERS INTERESTS

Mr R. Brownley (Members' Interests given in March journal) advises that his address is now 70 Bayfield St, Bellerive, 7018.  
Brownley/Aubrey (Wales, South Africa); Simpson (Scotland); Gardner (Scotland); Holland, Dodd, Allison (Latrobe).

## NOTES

### Victorian Indexes (Births, Death, Marriages)

Great News! These indexes are now being microfilmed with the intention of making them available to the public. Many thanks to members of the Australian Institute of Genealogical Studies and others who conducted a successful campaign to bring about this result. They presented a submission to the relevant Minister in September 1982, and he announced that a feasibility study was to be prepared.

After 12 months and no visible action, a petition containing 5,652 signatures, was presented, and the Secretary of the Institute requested the results of the findings of the feasibility study, under the Freedom of Information Act. Shortly after this, the Minister advised that the indexes would be released, subject to availability of funds, and in February this year funding through the Community Employment Scheme was announced. An exercise in effective democracy - now we should all try to do something about the proposed destruction of the 1986 census.

### American National Genealogical Conference

This comprehensive conference is to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, from 8th to 9th August 1985. Information and registration from PO Box 1053, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA 84110.

### Convict Ancestry & television

If anyone with a convict ancestor is going to Britain or Ireland later this year to do research, ABC television would like to hear from you. Contact Cynthia Connolly, ABC Television Features, Box 9994, GPO Sydney or Tel. Sydney 4379483 or 4379865.

### Aberdeen & N.E. Scotland Family History Society

Directory of Members' Interests 1983 and supplement 1984. Mrs Maree Ring has copies and is willing to look up information for interested persons. Send sae to 14 Oakbank Avenue, Montrose, Tas. 7011

### Hobart Mercury Pre-1950

In order to complete the index of Births, Deaths and Marriages listed in the Mercury 1900 to date, Hobart G.S.F. branch needs copies of this newspaper for the years 1900 - 1950. The only years of this century indexed so far are up to and including 1905.

If you can help, please contact Joyce O'Shea on 72 7416 or the Hon Librarian Theo Sharples on 47 6313.

# Military Museum

*by Andrea Gerrard*

A military museum is being set up in the old Gaol at Anglesea Barracks. The Barracks are located on the spot designated by Governor Lachlan Macquarie on 2 December 1811 during his first visit to the colony. The founding of the Barracks is celebrated on the first Saturday in December each year. Anglesea Barracks are the oldest military Barracks in Australia still in military occupation.

The earlier buildings date from 1814 to 1850 with the Officers' Quarters now Sergeant's Mess being the earliest. The cellars were completed first and then used to house the convicts during the completion of the rest of the building. The hospital was the next building to be completed, it was built in 1818 and used as a hospital until about 1870. It is now the commandant's residence. The Drill Hall and the Senior Officers' Married Quarters were both completed in 1824, the Senior Officers' Married Quarters are now used by the Chief Engineer. The Guard House which stands on the right hand side of the main gates dates from 1838 and is still used as the duty offices. The Gaol was built in 1846 with 12 cells and three solitary confinement cells which have recently been uncovered, a wall built about 40 years ago having hidden their existence. The Soldier Barracks were completed in 1850 with the exception of the southern wing which was added in 1912.

It is hoped that the museum will be opened sometime during 1988 as a centenary project, the main aims of the museum being conservation, preservation and display in that order. Its content is to be strictly Tasmanian and covering the period from the earliest colonial regiments to the end of the Boer War and the beginning of Federation.

The Gaol building is being extensively renovated as nearly to its original state as possible, and the museum will then be incorporated into it. The 12 separate cells will house displays relating to a specific era and the three recently discovered solitary confinement cells will also be used. Material has already been collected from various sources, including the Cameron and Watchorn families. The many records have been microfilmed for general use. Other items include different uniforms, medals, diaries, swords, guns, helmets, hats and various items of military equipment. The museum is being set up as an on-going concern with displays being rotated from time to time. More items are needed and it is hoped to set up a group to help collect items and also to raise funds for the museum. People with items, expertise and/or money will be most welcome to join the Friends of the Museum group and can contact Major J.P. Opie at Anglesea Barracks.

\*Note: Guided tours of Anglesea Barracks are conducted on Tuesday mornings at 11.00 am. Special Interest groups can also visit by arrangement.

# Book Review

Society of Australian Genealogists, GUIDE TO THE LIBRARY 2nd ED  
Sydney, The Society, 1984.

This most useful publication appeared originally in 1982, was reprinted in 1983 and appeared in a new, updated edition in 1984. It is an excellent guide for those using the services and facilities of the Society of Australian Genealogists.

The book is a little more comprehensive than its title would indicate, since it also gives background information about the Society, past and present, its functions, membership and library rules.

The Society's resource materials are divided into the Australian Library, including also New Zealand and the Pacific, the Overseas Library, the Primary Records and the Archives (manuscripts and pictures), microforms (microfilms and microfiches) and the Society's Indexes, on cards in the Index Room. Each of these sections is described in terms of its contents, its classification system or method of arrangement, and its finding aids.

Diagrams illustrate the layout of each floor of the Society's premises at Richmond Villa in Sydney and there is a map showing the street location of the building and how to get there.

I especially am pleased to see that this book is indexed, as any work of non-fiction should be for maximum usefulness, and that the index is very comprehensive.

Guide to the Library is available from the Society of Australian Genealogists Richmond Villa, 120 Kent St, Sydney, NSW, 2000, for \$4.50 posted anywhere in Australia.

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Theo E. Sharples



Some day I know I'll be dead  
And gone to who knows where.  
But don't lay me under a brass plaque  
and just leave me there.  
Remember! Remember what I've said.  
In this great world I'd like to leave a mark.  
Something to say what I've been,  
Something to say what I've done.  
Not just something to clean!  
I have written this for you to keep  
For the world, my great legacy.  
It goes: Average woman, average life,  
Nothing outstanding, just a wife,  
And children three  
For my Family Tree.

## 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 (nm)

'Genealogical Research Directory 1982' - International edition \$ 9.30 (members) \$10.95 (nm)

'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 1 April.

Rates of subscriptions are as follows:

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Membership entitlements include receipt of the Society's journal, TASMANIAN ANCESTRY. (NOTE: If Air-mail postage to overseas members is required extra costs will need to be paid)

Members are entitled to free access to the Society's Libraries, and reduced rates for purchase of certain other publications. Access to the libraries of some other societies has also been arranged on a Reciprocal basis, and an Accommodation Register arrangement with other states can be used by researchers.

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 640G, C.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, Bellarive, and some branches also have a library. Access is free to members but all users of the International Genealogical Index (U.K., Cont. 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 envelop. 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 TAMIOT 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, Bellarive: Wednesday 9.30 - 12.30; Saturday 1.30 - 4.30, or by arrangement.