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PALMERS OAKEY HISTORY.

I have put together some of the records and stories etc gathered up over the years, not with the intention of writing a "book" as such, but to lay the information out in chronological order, this may assist people in the future gaining information about the Palmers Oakey area. Also to give an insight into the day by day events as the area evolved from the 1840's through into the 2000's.

What I have tried to do is take the reader on a 200 year journey. An insight into the Aboriginals, what the first Europeans saw, the settlers and their flocks, the golden days of gold, creating a settlement, growth of families, war, and on into the present.

Where possible I have copied direct from records and notes, there for some of the spelling and layout may be hard to follow, and I have resisted to the best of my ability, the urge to colour the facts and there for bend history.
I do not wish to write history, only record it. The reader may (I think will a better word) find mistakes, and oversights , especially in family trees. I can assure you none are intentional. I have no axe to grind or points to make. I have "Writ" it as I found it was "Writ".

Another point I must make is that the Fergusons were not necessarily the first or the most numerous residents, but being "family" gave me access to more information involving them.
Also my Paternal Grandmother was the School Teacher, Post Mistress, and Secretary for the Common, and a lot of those records have survived.

I thank my wife Joy for her patience, perseverance and help with "getting together" these records. The painstaking task of digging out the problems in the draft, and while I lived at the computer she went about keeping our world running.

THIS BOOK IS SET OUT IN FOUR SECTIONS.

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

SERVICES. SCHOOLS ETC

THE CRICK PEOPLE

STORIES

LOCATION.

The area we are looking at is in New South Wales approx. 200km west of Sydney and 50km North of Bathurst.

Palmers Oakey as it is now known (2011) covers an area of about 15km long (South to North) and 7km wide (East to West) in the Parish's of Roxburgh and Turon. The Northern end was known as Upper Turon, the Central area was originally Palmers Oakey or Oaky and settled on Palmers Oakey during the late 1890s, and the Southern end was known as Reedy Creek, Limekilns Swamp, and Coolamigal. Reedy Creek was the area around the junction of the Palmers Oakey and Reedy Creeks, Limekilns Swamp the area where the road crosses Reedy Creek, and Coolamigal was along the Coolamigal or as some call it the Cullamudgee Creek.

The terrain is hilly to mountainous, ranging from 650m to 1150m in elevation.

The Palmers Oakey Creek runs the length of the valley to meet the Turon River at the Northern end of the valley.

The first record I have of the Turon River is from William Lawsons "Journal of Expedition November 1821". On the 9th November 1821 Lawson crossed the yet unnamed Turon about 15k downstream of Palmers Oakey and wrote "a small river running N W, a rapid stream about the size of the Fish River (above Bathurst) abounding with fish."
The next record I found was from George Cox's "Journal of Expedition Nov-Dec 1821". Cox crossed the Turon in the same area as Lawson, reaching the river from Bathurst on the 30th November 1821 and in Cox's words " a well grassed and picturesque looking country, hilly and thinly timbered, 1 ½ miles through which brought us to a small handsome river, the banks low and green, with Swamp Oaks on either side, and the banks perfectly sound.
Cox also reported his Aboriginal guide's name for the river. "Choorun", then two months later Lawson called it the "Tooran" which in turn led to "Turon".
From the above it is possible to assume the Turon to be much the same in 1821 where it flowed through Palmers Oakey as the soil types and timber are similar.

The reference by George Cox to the Swamp Oaks may give us an insight into the naming of several small streams "Oakey"
A gold diggings map of 1851/54/refers to it as “Oakey” and a map of 1864 refers to the Palmers Oakey Creek as "Palmers or Oaky Creek", and the "e" came to stay in Oak"e"y about 1900.
So was "Oakey" referring to a stream lined with Oaks (Casuarina Cunninghamiana) and the "Palmer" one of the first white residents on that stream?.
Some of the streams that carry "Oakey" as well as Palmers are Big, Little, Tobins, McKinnons, Arthurs
Over the last 3 years Australia Post has removed the “ e “ and the mail must be addressed to OAKY.

PALMERS OAKEY ABORIGINALS

I know of no detailed study of the Aboriginals in this area, but from what is known this area is on the eastern side of the Wiradjuri tribal grounds.

I know of two sites in this area that were used by the aboriginals.
One on the Mt Franklin Road (that runs from Mt Horrible to Sunny Corner). This has several heaps of stones, thought to be a ceremonial site. The story I have on this site is that each stone represents a dead person and the “heap” or group of stones represents the clan.
After WW ll the army made a munitions dump just to the north of the site and detonated it, and there is still shrapnel scattered around.
The road used to run right through the heaps of stone, and during the early 1990s the National Parks and Wildlife Service cut a new road about 50 m to the west.
My first recollection of the site was in the early 1950s, the heaps of stone were tidy and the whole area was bare, there was no moss growing on the ground or rocks and there was no vegetation. By the mid 1980s moss and vegetation started to grow and on one visit about 1990 the feral pigs had disturbed the stones looking for grubs etc.
The second site is on Sandy Pinch, this is a "factory" site, where they made stone axe and spear heads. An outcrop of sandstone was used to sharpen these implements and the groves made by the sharpening process are still visible. There may still be axe heads etc to be found there as and old resident told me “they were scattered all around”. Today the area is covered with a lot of vegetation. The local stone used for the axe heads is very hard and some has fossils in it.
Col Wilkinson and Peter Gregory found an axe head of this stone or very similar at Sunny Corner in the 1960s.

During the conflict of the 1820's this area may have been used by the Aboriginals as a refuge. W.H.Suttor in Australian Stories Retold writes "the blacks being driven into the deep gorges and shot at the deep dells of the Capertee country, Bells Falls (Wattle Flat), and the head of Clear Creek." Palmers Oakey is in the centre of the above mentioned places.

Sydney Gazette of the 2-5-1826 reported "Windradyne and his party were at Capertee." They had been at Bathurst a short time earlier. The two sites mentioned (ceremonial and factory) lie on a direct line from Bathurst to Capertee.

Windradyne (also known as Saturday) was the Chief of the Wiradjuri tribe during the early years of white settlement. He was a very large man of great strength. He led his people against the settlers in the 1820's conflict. He was wounded in a tribal fight in 1835 and later died, and was buried at "Brucedale" Peel.

Mt Horrible Massacre. I can find no record of this and only have the story from the old timers.

A party of aboriginals that were camped at Pailing Yards (near Wattle Flat) speared two whites who were camped nearby, because the whites had been violating their women. A party of armed whites followed them to somewhere on Mt Horrible and killed them.

The last aboriginal I have heard of at Palmers Oakey was known as "Jimmy" and lived in a hut at the bottom of the valley. The Police used him on several occasions to track thieves but with no results. The locals claimed it was because he was following his own tracks.

ABORIGINALS TO THE EAST OF PALMERS OAKEY
From the Internet, author unknown

Yamandu marang

This is a present-day greeting (literally: "Are you well?") in the Wiradjuri language, one of several aboriginal languages that may have been spoken in the area many years ago. Most of these languages have not been spoken for many years and have virtually died out. Currently, there is a major attempt to revive Wiradjuri and, hopefully, this may lead to the revival of other languages of this area.

Before attempting to identify the local Aboriginal group, it would be useful to briefly look at some of the often complex forms of groupings and relationships within traditional Aboriginal society.

Firstly, there were the groupings by language. These language groupings were often the basis of cultural ties as well, although in the district about the Wolgan Valley, where several language groups were adjacent, such cultural differences could become blurred. The main language groups of this district were called Wiradjuri (to the west) and Gundungurra (to the south-east), with possible influences from Durug (to the east) and Darkinjung (to the north-east). These language groups are now generally termed tribes and, as such, form the basis of present-day aboriginal society.

In pre-contact times however, the day-to-day lives of Aboriginal people probably revolved around smaller groupings, now generally referred to as bands. These bands appear to have been quite autonomous, to an extent that they are frequently referred to as "tribes" in many early documents. Some local bands have been identified, and the band most likely to have been in the Wolgan Valley is discussed below.

There were also other patterns of relationships, kinship being one of the most important. Kinship could often extend beyond the bounds of band or tribe. Examples are now coming to light of kinship links between some people from bands in the Burragorang Valley, (over 100 km south of Newnes) with people from Mudgee, Hill End and Bathurst, well to the north and west of Newnes.

Another form of relationship (as well as a cause of conflict between bands) was the practice of raiding other bands for their women. One source records an example from the 1820s, of a raid by the "Pipers Flat tribe" on a Darug band at Richmond, near Sydney. In this way, such women would bring aspects of their own language and culture into their new tribe.

Gatherings for ceremonial purposes could involve many tribes. For example, one early source mentions such a gathering in the Capertee Valley in the late 1830s that involved tribes from many areas, extending from the Hunter River in the north to the Monaro district in the south.

The local Wolgan band:

In view of the above discussion, it may come as no surprise that identification of the local group that frequented the Wolgan Valley has proved to be a little difficult.

Most likely, the band concerned was the band centred about Wallerawang. They may have been called "Wywandy" (this is a name on a surviving gorget, or breast plate), but they were generally referred to as the "Wallerawang" or "Pipers Flat" band in most early documents. They appear to have been a Gundungurra band, but could probably speak both the Wiradjuri and Gundungurra languages and it would appear that they regularly associated with other bands from both of these language areas.

Other bands adjacent to the Wywandy band included the Capiti (in the Capertee Valley, north of Newnes), the Therabulat (of the Hartley area and Lower Cox's River), possibly the Bunally (south of Mt. Lambie), the "Patrick Plains" band (probably a band from south-east of Bathurst, since "Patri" [or "Badri", a cold or frosty place] was the Wiradjuri name for the Bathurst area) and the quite separate "Bathurst" band (north-east from Bathurst, about Peel and northwards towards the Turon River).

At this stage, little is known about contact with people in areas east of Newnes and the Wolgan Valley. Evidence exists that Darkinjung people were active in the lower Colo River and tributaries and northwards into eastern parts of what is now Wollemi National Park. It is also understood that Darug people may have been active in the Grose Valley and areas east of present day Bell. However, even though no Darug bands were known to have been in the Newnes area, women abducted from Darug areas (as mentioned above) would bring with them Darug influence.

Aboriginies and European Settlement in the Wolgan Valley:

In 1823, James Walker, who, in that year, settled at Wallerawang, set up an out-station in the Wolgan Valley. This valley and the access route into it was probably shown to Walker by the local Wallerawang Aboriginal band. The valley would certainly have made more comfortable winter quarters for the band than the sometimes windswept high plains about Wallerawang.

Thomas Archer, a nephew of James Walker, spent most of 1838-39 at Wallerawang. In his "Recollections of a Rambling Life" he mentions Miles [also spelt as "Myles" in other sources], who was the leader of the Wallerawang band at that time, and his part in the

capture of a bushranger. Archer also mentions "Old Ned" Murray, a convict who lived at the outstation in the Wolgan Valley. It is understood that one of Ned's sons married Sophie Miles, said to have been a daughter of this same Miles. Descendants of that family still live in the Wallerawang district.

The name "Wolgan" comes from "wolga", the local aboriginal word for the plant, Clematis aristata, a vine that is fairly common in the valley. There are several growing in the immediate Newnes area.

Walker's 1841 description of local Aboriginal people:

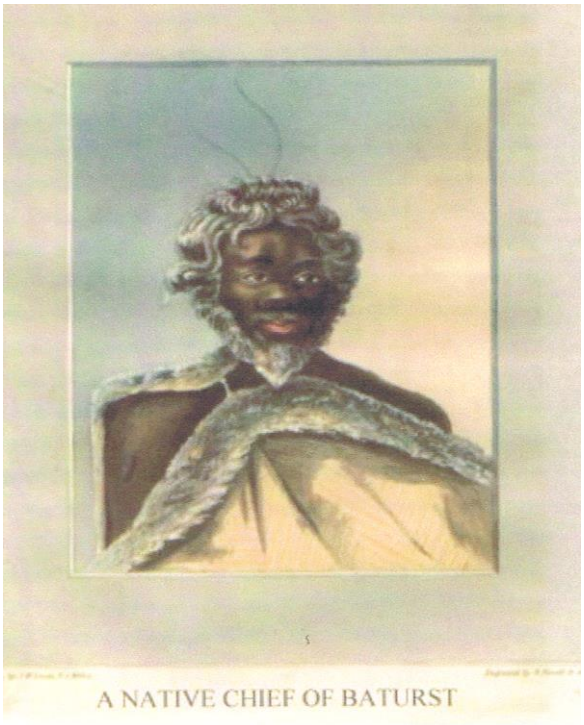
In 1841, James Walker, in response to a government questionnaire about "Aboriginal Natives of this Colony", made the following comments. For their time (and compared with responses given by others to this same questionnaire), these comments are sympathetic, revealing as much about Walker's own character as it does about the native inhabitants.

Question: What do you consider to be their prevailing character and disposition as Labourers ..?
"They like uncontrolled liberty and freedom; amongst themselves they appear to have few restraints; they are acute, intelligent, and shrewd, and well disposed; in short it is impossible that Europeans, taking possession of a country and living amongst the Aboriginal Inhabitants of it, could maintain a better understanding with them than for many years past has subsisted in this part, and also on the Castlereagh River, since stock was first taken out there; we have abridged all their natural sources of existence, and they appear satisfied to receive our food in exchange for services occasionally rendered us."

Question: .. and what are their numbers, so far as you can form an estimate, in your immediate neighbourhood; describing the limits to which your calculation extends?
"In this immediate neighbourhood, that is the country from the northern borders of Argyle, by the Abercrombie River to Bathurst Plains, (not including the Bathurst tribe,) and from thence to Capiti, I suppose there are not above 40 or 50 of both sexes and all ages; their numbers I think have diminished since I first came to this part in 1823; though they are occasionally seen intoxicated and resort too frequently to the neighbourhoods of public houses, they have not abandoned their natural mode of procuring food, but still continue to place their chief dependence for a supply in hunting."

Unfortunately, Walker's description makes no mention of any areas east of Wallerawang. Annual government blanket list returns from about this time, usually group people from the Wallerawang band with the Gundungurra-speaking band from Hartley and the middle Cox district as "The Cox's River tribe".

Major Henry Antill arrived at Bathurst on the 4th May 1815 he wrote of the natives he saw there.
"They had nothing with them but a couple of rude spears which they threw down near one of the huts, and seemed perfectly careless about them. One old man was blind of one eye, which the people stationed here said was frequently the case both with the men and women; but this man and an old woman, we one day met in the woods, were the only instances we saw of the kind during our stay. They resemble the natives about Sydney but did not speak the same language; they appeared, however, to be one degree more advanced towards civilisation than our old friends, possessing some art in manufacturing themselves cloaks of skins, very neatly sewed together by the sinews of the kangaroo and emue, and carved on the inside with a variety of figures. These cloaks were for the sole purpose of keeping themselves warm, and not of any regard for decency, for in the middle of the day, when the weather was warm, they threw them carelessly over their shoulders. What little I saw of them during out stay, they appeared to be a harmless and inoffensive race, with nothing forbidding or ferocious in their countenances. On the contrary, they are perfectly mild and cheerful, and laugh at everything they see and repeat everything they hear.



NOTES FROM EARLY RECORDS OF THE BATHURST AREA.

These are taken from records of Journeys over the Blue Mountains by various people from 1813 to 1841.

This may give an insight to the period when the Europeans and their culture was replacing the Aborigines.

As this area is on average 50 km from Palmers Oakey some similarity may be drawn.

From Assistant - Surveyor Evans Journal 1813-1814

Evans crossed over the Blue Mountains in late December 1813 and as he made his way west he came to the area known today as Tarana.

Wednesday Dec. 1st, 1813.

I have at length reached the Ridge I so much wished to do after walking about 2 miles, where I had a prospect to the North for a great distance: A Mist rises from a part I suppose to be a River or a large Lagoon about 20 Miles off: the country in this direction has a fine appearance, the Trees being thin and the hills covered with Grass: A 1/4 of Mile farther along the Range, I came to a very high Mount, when I was much pleased with the sight Westward: I think I can see 40 Miles which has the look of an open Country. To the South of me there are large hills much higher than the ones I am on, with the pasture to their tops. This Range is much overrun with underwood and larger Timber growing thereon , but the sides are as green as possible; in descending for 2 Miles the verdure is good; the decent then becomes steep for a 1/4 of a Mile . leading into a fine valley at the end I met a large Riverlett arising from the Southern Hills. We shot Ducks and caught several trout weighing at least 5 or 6 pounds each. (Cod Trout ?).

Evans continued down the Fish River and on the.

Friday, 3rd.

I now find the Memosa in clusters on the Banks of the River; am happy to think it favours me so much as to run the course I wish it; the Country continues good, particularly for grazing, yet it has not been altogether so pleasing to the Eye as before, being in some places rather overrun with a shrub among the Grass, somewhat the same as on the Cow Pastures near the Stone Quarry Creek: The land is still of a light sandy nature, thinly wooded with small Gums. We have not yet seen any Natives but can see their Tracks.

Following the river, part of his next record was.

Saturday, 4th.

(Dogs killed a Kangaroo and the river supplies us with abundance of Fish,)

The next day they rested and he noted the horses were getting fat but their backs were getting sore. Part of the record was.

Sunday, 5th.

(We require little pork in this part, a Kangaroo can be procured at any time, there are also Emus, we killed some Ducks this day.)

Monday, 6th.

The Night was very Bad: I was greatly afraid the weather would continue so; this Morning had a better appearance; the river now forms large ponds; at the Space of about a Mile I came on a fine Plain of rich Land, the handsomest Country I ever saw; it surpasseth Port Dalrymple; this place is worth speaking of as good and beautiful; the Track of clear land occupies about a Mile on each side of the River: I have named it after the Lieut. Governor," O'Connell Plains", on which we saw a number of Wild Geese, but too shy to let us near them; the Timber around is thinly scattered, I do not suppose there are more than ten Gum Trees on an Acre, their Bark is amazing thick at least 2 inches; at 3 o'clock I stopped at the commencement of a Plain still more pleasing and very Extensive. I cannot see the termination of it North of me; the soil is exceeding rich and produces the finest grass intermixed with variety of herbs; the hills have the look of a park and the Grounds laid out; I am at a loss for Language to describe the Country: I named this part "Macquarie Plains". I have walked till I am quite fatigued being so anxious to look about me; there is game in abundance; if we want a Fish it is caught immediately; they seem to bite at any time; had I brought a quantity of salt we could cure some 100 lbs of them, I am quite astonished at the number the Men catch every Evening, the Dogs thrive on them; I shall bring one home with me to shew you.

The next day he named the "Fish River", followed it to the "Campbell River" on the 8th. Then on the 9th named the main stream the "Macquarie River" and noted "The Grass here might be mowed as it is so thick and long, particularly on the flat lands.

On their return to Sydney over the Blue Mountains they were travelling for 4 days through bush fires and burnt country.

Thursday 6th Jan 1814

The fires have been in my favour, otherwise it would be impossible to measure, the flames have consumed the foliage from the highest Trees.

Tour over the Western. or Blue Mountains 1815
Author. Governor Lachlan Macquarie

4th May 1815.

At a distance of seven miles from the bridge over the Campbell River, Bathurst Plains open to the view, presenting a rich tract of champagne country of 11 miles in length, bounded on both sides by gently rising and very beautiful hills, thinly wooded. The Macquarie River, which is constituted by the junction of the Fish and Campbell River, takes a winding course thro' the Plains, which can be easily traced from the high lands adjoining, by the particular verdure of the trees on its banks, which are likewise the only trees through the extent of the Plains.--- The level and clean surface of these Plains gives them at first view very much the appearance of lands in a state of cultivation.

During the week the Governor spent in the Bathurst area he noted

"Within the distance of 10 miles from the site of Bathurst there is not less than fifty thousand acres of land cleared of timber, and fully one half of that may be considered excellent soil, well calculated for cultivation. It is a matter of regret, that in proportion as the soil improves, the timber degenerates; and it is to be remarked; that everywhere to the westward of the Mountains it is much inferior both in size and quality to that within the present Colony; there is; however, a sufficiency of timber of tolerable quality within the district of Bathurst, for the purpose of house building and husbandry.

On Saturday May 6th he noted in part

"After breakfast this morning, mounted our horses and rode through the country for a few miles to the Northward to a small stream running through a pretty little valley, which we called Winburndale, giving the creek the same name. The ground we rode over was good, both for grazing and cultivation, plentifully watered, and very thinly wooded; gave chase to some kangaroos, and killed a small one with the dogs; the ground bad to gallop over, being full of holes and tufts of grass. Yesterday a black swan was shot and brought into the camp weighing ten pounds; it was the largest one of the kind I had ever seen, measuring six ft. 2 inches from tip of each wing, and was four ft. three inches long, including the neck, which was two ft..

Excursion to the town of Bathurst 1819. by Alphonso Pellion.

On the 3rd December 1819 as Pellion in company with two Frenchmen noted that the Bathurst Plains were " wholly bereft of timber, a bareness that produces a remarkable contrast to the forest-clothed mountains of the neighbourhood. In the whole extent of the plain we observed about thirty houses, distributed among 120 persons, two-thirds of whom are grouped in the centre of the main settlement; the remainder is scattered in the country. There were then in this plain, we were assured, up to 23000 merino sheep and an equal number of horned cattle

Journey across the Blue Mountains 1824. by Rene Lesson.

In early Feb1824 while in the Bathurst area he wrote of the lack of limestone in New Holland, as it was in great need by the English for the construction of their buildings, as the coast does not produce sufficient shells to meet requirements. There was an urgent demand for this article, and it was not without the most lively satisfaction, that the discovery was soon made of the cavern lying sixteen miles north of Bathurst; the way through it is covered with splendid thick stalactites of calcerous alabaster as white as sugar. The lime derived from it is very adhesive and consequently rated highly; only it is very expensive.

Ten miles from Bathurst there is a forest of unusual trees called cedars by the English; its wood is highly valued for its lasting qualities and its lovely red colour, and very pretty pieces of furniture are made of it in the colony. This place is called Pineridge, and the cedar is Brown's Callitris spiralis.

The next relates to a problem still in the sheep industry to-day, from;

A Ride to Bathurst 1827. by Anonymous. (but thought to be Captain William John Dumaresq)

On our return from Campbell's River we passed through the country which last winter proved so fatal to the sheep, as many as 12 or 15,000 having died in the course of the season. The year 1826 was unusually wet. The rains of January and March had been very injurious, ploughing up the public roads, breaking down bridges, and producing floods. These rains had saturated the ground all over the country both high and low, and when they had subsided, left the country about Campbell's River full of springs, whose course may be traced down the hollows by long verdant strips of rank grass, not many yards wide. These waters afterwards stagnate, producing a rank and dangerous vegetation. If the sheep are suffered to feed near these ribbons of grass, the livers become rapidly diseased and full of small flat animal called flounders, and the sheep generally die off. Some sheep I saw opened had very unsound livers; and in one in particular, I think I counted 60 or 70 of these small animals all alive, about the size of a sixpence. The gall also swells to a great size, and the heart and intestinal parts assume a whiteness and wateriness denoting the highest stage of the disease. This is the rot; which is hardly possible to cure, and which is sure to be the result of depasturing flocks on flooded lands, and especially when flooded in summer, and the sheep filling themselves with the premature and unsubstantial grasses, and the rapid growth of heat and moisture. The celebrated Mr. Bakewell made a practice always to rot his fat ewes previous to selling them, on purpose that they should be slaughtered by the butcher, and not get into the hands of other breeders

An insight into life in this area during the mid 1830's.

This comes from the book Settlers and Convicts.

The author has just moved into the mountains near Bathurst, very little settled.

A wilderness of vast rocky ranges, scantily watered, almost impervious to the common modes of conveyance, and to be penetrated for the purpose of carriage in most places only by pack-bullock or horses, it is generally considered unfit for anything but pastoral purposes. In a corner of these mountains where the river rushes point blank against a precipice and there checked turns off at a right angle along the foot of the range that has impeded it, all the way travelling under the perpetual shadows of immense river oaks that overhand it on either side, green and profuse and impenetrable by the sun in winter and in summer alike, my mate the hurdle-maker had fixed himself. Our hut was in the little stony flat in the angle of the river; behind us rose rough stony ranges, before us rolled the river, along the banks grew the fine oak timber he was splitting for the hurdle bars, heads, and braces. Up a creek which fell into the river close to our hut, on a fine swelling bare hill amidst a tract of forest which had here become almost table-land, stood the sheep station. It consisted of two yards side by side, made of heavy boughs piled and interwoven, or rather of one large enclosure (say 120ft by 40) divided by a cross fence of the same sort into two smaller ones of 60x40 each: the two gates at the two farthest ends being each an old hurdle. The interstices at all quarters were such that a warregal (bush dog) not only could have crept through, but might have run and jumped through. On the upper side of this yard stood the hut, an enclosure of about 10 feet by 14, made with split slabs, and having a roof of bark. This hut was one large apartment, and had ground for the floor: at one end was the fire-place on the hearth, at the other the shepherds used to sleep, spreading their beds on sheets of bark just lifted off the ground by having logs of wood about 8 inches thick and 3 feet long laid underneath, one at the head, the other at the feet. The hut stood at about 12 or 14 feet distance from the upper side of the yard. On the lower side of the yard, heaped against the fence and extending a good way downward from it, was the mass of sheep dung which had by degrees thrown out in cleaning the yard, for it is part of the hut-keeper's duty to sweep the yards every morning immediately the sheep are out. At the station were two shepherds who took out the sheep over the adjacent hills by day, and a hut-keeper was responsible for them by night. The flocks were each about 800 strong, fully twice as many as a shepherd can manage in a thickly timbered and mountainous country. The master grumbles if the flock is not allowed to spread; he says the shepherd must be keeping them together by severe dogging, and that running so close they cannot fill their bellies. On the other hand if the shepherd suffers the flock to spread, in these mountainous runs especially, they get into creeks and hollows, and he looses sight of them and leaves them behind; or a native dog sneaks in among them, and as is the habit of these animals to bite as many as they can before beginning to prey, 20, 30, 50 get bitten, most of them mortally.

During the 1830's 50's John McLean held vast tracks of land in the area. He was known as "The Laid of Capertee" and an author claims he "Had command of all the runs on Collamudgee (sic) which he purchased from Mr.Irving of Bathurst,, Palmers Oakey, Williewa, and the Upper Turon down to the "Gulf" on the Turon River." And on his death controlled all the land, without a break from Glen Alice to the mountains in sight of Bathurst.

Another window into the area during the 1840's 50's comes from a story dictated by William Corlis, his people held the land between the Turon River and Capertee from the 1850's to 2002.

I William Corlis, was born in the County of Galway near Tuam Ireland in November 1836. My father was a farmer. The parents of both my father and Mother were born near Tuam. In 1840 we emigrated to Australia. I think the name of the ship was "The Susan". We landed in Sydney in March 1841. The party consisted of my parents, my brothers, Michael and John, and my sister Margaret. On the same boat my fathers brother Patrick and his wife and three children also came out. We all remained in Sydney for about a month, then my Father took a job of shepherding at Airly Flat near Capertee for William Russell of Cullen Bullen. I remained in Sydney with my mother's brother, who came to Australia in 1839. I stayed with them until February 1845 when myself and sister went up and joined the family in the Capertee valley. My father had stayed at Airly Flat with Russel for a year, then went shepherding for John Ashby of Black Springs near Cherry Tree Hill for about 18 months at 36 pounds per year. Ashby was unable to pay him, so he took sheep instead. He got 300 ewes instead of the money. My father had no run for them so he gave them out on terms to a man and then went shepherding for H Gwynne of Capertee Valley. He shepherded for him for about two years and then shifted to Warrangie Creek, where he stayed for two years on his own account. In January 1849 we shifted to Turon Gully about one mile below Capertee and in that year my sister was married to T M Keenan. About 1851 we shifted to Bandanora. The hut was erected near the big heap of stones in the old cultivation paddock. In February 1853 my father died at Bandanora. He had about 2000 sheep and left me 200 pounds. In hose days we had to go to Sydney with a horse team for supplies.

The road was only a bush track from Mudgee to Bowenfels, the only cuttings being small ones at Cherry Tree Hill and Crown Ridge. The journey to Sydney and back with a horse team used to occupy about three weeks.

We grew our own wheat for flour one year. Other years we used to buy flour, generally at Bathurst. One year just after digging for gold broke out I paid 50 pounds for a ton of flour. Potatoes costing 20 to 25 shillings per cwt. The blacks were never numerous and were never troublesome in my time. Wild cattle and wild horses were about in thousands. There were no fences except a small horse paddock and fences around the cultivation. Sheep had always to be shepherded and the wool was washed on the sheeps back. The sheep were put in a fold at night. The shepherds hut was at the yards, and dogs were tied around so as to give the alarm if dingoes came near. The wild cattle were a fair size and we used to make workers of some of them, though generally we would yard them with some tame cattle, brand them and let them go. The wild horses were generally weedy, though there were some good ones amongst them. There was no ringbarking at all done for many years, until 1889 only about 100 acres had been ringbarked. In the early days we used to bank our money at Bathurst, but kept about 50 pounds in the house. The house was never 'stuck up' by bushrangers, and I was never interfered by them. When we settled at Bandanora there was a hotel at Crown Ridge, and we used to get our mail there about once weekly, sometimes we would get it at Round Swamp. Neither the people at Crown Ridge nor at Round Swamp could read or write. The telegraph was not then existence. The station was always known as Bandanora, but I do not know the origin or meaning of the word.. It was a station for many years before we got it. My father did not buy it. Peter McKinnon and John McLean were occupying it, when in 1861, Keenan, (one of the early innkeepers who married Williams sister) who had some knowledge of surveying, informer us that he considered that McKinnon and McLean's lease did not embrace the Station. He came to the conclusion after running a line with a pocket compass and stepping the distance from a measured portion at Round Swamp. The distance was about 4 miles. My father had the land embracing the station put up for lease, and he purchased the lease. He and my brother John then went over to the station. The hutkeeper went out to get some firewood, and my father walked in to the hut. He refused to let the hutkeeper in again, and when the shepherd returned with the sheep in the afternoon, he (my father) would not permit him to put the sheep in the yard but impounded them instead. He took them to the pound at Kelso. My father was threatened with Court proceedings. I think McKinnon and McLean then employed a surveyor to investigate. However no Court action was taken, and we remained in procession. Later on when the land was measured it was found that the Station was on the lease that we bought. Our confidence in Keenan to correctly use the compass and accurately step the distance was proved not to have been misplaced." Signed William Corlis.

Another view comes from the memories of Matilda Ferguson (Deasey) who came to Palmers Oakey as the school teacher in 1904 and married Duncan Ferguson.

Palmers Oakey. I arrived here on Jan 15th 1904 , The school here had a very fair attendance but I can not say the children were very bright . This was part of the Turon Gold fields , & most of the people were miners , fossickers really , finding a little gold , & living on their miners lease , each had a few cattle , horses , some goats , there was a common where they could run their animals to a certain number. The people were very homely , & used to amuse themselves with an occasional dance , picnic etc, I was not a dancer & I visited very little . There was a Union church about two miles away , I used to go occasionally to service there , a preacher would come about once a month . The woman of the house in which I boarded was full of life & loved nothing better than dances & parties she was really the life of the place

It was not long before the eldest son of the house & myself started to keep company , he was a very hard working man , had a bullock team , & done a lot of carrying from the Oakey to Bathurst , wattle bark , honey etc. he was really the main stay of his mother , she had a few sheep , his other brother the youngest one done very little , too fond of sport , played the piano , but did not like hard work . his youngest sister lived close , a lovely woman , married with four children all going to school , her husband had an accident in a mine some years before poor fellow , an unexploded charge blew up really a wonder he was not killed , he used to get work around the district , a good worker .

The inspector came to the school , he was an odious man , I had been warned about him when I was teaching at Kelso , so threw no chances away . I got a fair report from him , the children were certainly backwards could not be off it as it had been a Half Time school before I came . I was the first teacher of the full time school , however things went on very well.

Wool was not much of a price in those days , but we kept ourselves out of debt & managed to put a little by . Duncan loved his bullock team , he (Duncan) often told me tales of the Oakey , about the wild horses (brumbies) , he was a good horseman & he & others used to build yards & trap the brumbies some were good animals , but others were not much , on one occasion he said , one beautiful animal got out of the yard , & took to the hills , going after him down one hill full gallop , he found himself sitting in the saddle in the fork of a tree , the horse he was riding had jumped through & left him there , he was uninjured. There were also wild cattle , but things like that do not last long too many people after them.

A lot of gold was found around the district , at one time there were over two hundred Chinamen on the place , they had their horse races & used to get some of the young fellows to ride for them as they were not good riders themselves , some would bravely try ,Duncan

said it was very amusing to watch them holding on for bare life , pigtails flying & chattering all the time There was a German Co. about four I heard , they made a race to carry the water to their sluicing , it was about ten miles from start to finish I believe it paid them well

In the early days there was a public house on the Oakey my husbands people kept it for a time , the miners used to gather there play cards , & I suppose some gambling games , they used match boxes (round ones) full of gold dust for the stakes , it was there Duncan was born , his people afterwards took up ground where the sheep station "Warrie" now stands .

There was a fair lot of cattle "duffing" as it was called in the old days & sly grog selling . One story Duncan told me was , " a bullock was stolen during the night from out of a yard , the police were notified , & tracked it to a certain house , but the person that took the animal heard that they were coming , met the police , invited them inside to have dinner , while they were inside the girls of the house took the animals skin , weighed it down with stones & sank it in the dam close by , so the only skin the police found belonged to an old milking cow they had killed .

One story of sly grog selling . A woman was under suspicion , so one of the police called on her , & pretended he had cramps very bad & asked her if she had any sprits in the house to give him some to relief him , she gave him a glass of sprits the real thing , he thanked her & asked if she would be kind enough to put some in a bottle for him for fear he would get them again on his way home , & she did , he paid her for it . So got on his horse & started off , as he was going he turned round with the bottle in his hand & said , "I have you now ". Of course she was summoned to court , & the case was called , the bottle was opened & found to contain only tea , of course the case was dismissed & that constable left the district

BUSHRANGERS

I have found very little mention of bushranger activity here other than Slipery Jack. That is not to say they weren't here, as the poor access and isolation would have made it ideal for a stop over to let things cool down.

A story the old Fergusons handed down was; when the children were doing their "chores" before dark each night, one job was to yard at least 2 good saddle horses. Sometimes next morning in their place there would be strange horses or some that had been taken previously, usually showing signs of hard work. This appears to be a form of insurance, as they never seemed to have any bushranger problems.

LARRY.CUMMINGS. (also known as James Long died 1906) may have worked this area as his main run was from Crookwell to Mudgee. He held up the Mudgee mail & took £20O.He also "Lifted" the stallion Duke of Athol from Bylong.

BEN HALL, The old folk talked of Ben Hall & his men being here, but there is no solid evidence of his being in the area.

SLIPPERY JACK; (1892-96). Slipery was an escaped convict from New Caledonia who lived in the hills around this area. He was responsible for petty crime but received more than his share of blame. He had an encounter with Sgt.Wright from Sunny Corner in April 1893 on Mt Horrible and escaped. Then again in February 1896 several Police and locals "jumped" him at his camp in the head of the Palmers Oakey creek, again he escaped and made his way to "Warrie" where he stole some stores and went bush. He was captured near Capertee in May 1896 and sent to Bathurst Gaol. A full account of "Slippery' appears in Vicki Powys book Sunny Corner A Silver Town of the 1880s. Neary in his book "Ghosts of the Goldfields" tell of him as does a poem byW.C.K.Sinclair.

SEE Stories in this book for the story of Slipery.

Hawkins Hill was named after a "gent" Hawkins whom on said hill broke open a strongbox he had stolen.

One of Palmers Oakeys more famous residents W.W.Millett had a " brush" with bushrangers in 1865. The Bathurst Free Press reported "he was shot whilst riding leisurely on the main Sydney road one morning 6 miles from Bathurst by a gang of mounted bushrangers. (He had £400 in the saddle bags.) The horse was wounded but was able to outdistance his pursuers and return to Bathurst where Dr.Machattie removed 18 pellets of buckshot from his back without anaesthetic".

At this stage Millett was the Post Master and an Innkeeper at Palmers Oakey and was also a gold buyer

PALMERS OAKEY TREES

Yellow Box	Eucalyptus Melliodora
Wooliebut	Eucalyptus Bridgesiana
Stringybark (red)	Eucalyptus Macrorhyncha
Stringybark (white)	Eucalyptus Globidea
Manna-Ribbon-White Gum	Eucalyptus Viminalis
Peppermint	Eucalyptus Dives
Candlebark-Ribbon Gum	Eucalyptus Rubida
Mountain Gum	Eucalyptus Dalrympleana
Scribbly Gum	Eucalyptus Rossii
Brittle-jack	Eucalyptus Mannifera
Grey Box	Eucalyptus Nortonii
White Box	Eucalyptus Albens
Red Box	Eucalyptus Polyanthemos
Red Gum	Eucalyptus Blakelyi
Snow Gum	Eucalyptus Pauciflora
Black Wattle	Acacia Falciformis
Mountain Hickory	Acacia Melanoxylon
Silver Wattle	Acacia Dealbata
River Oak	Casuarina Cunninghamiana
Native Cherry	Exocarpos Cupressiformis

These are the main trees in the area, and there would be more to be found by those that looked for then. I have found three out of place trees, an Ironbark on the Bathurst road just below Warries gate ,two River Peppermints 200 M on the Sofala Road from the Mt Horrible junction, and Blackboys at the top of the Goat Track going up to Cattlerun.

PALMERS OAKEY MAMMALS

The following list of local mammals are those that I have personally seen or have reliable sightings of.
Status as at 2010

PLATYPUS.	(ornithorhynchus anatinus)	Some in Turon & Coolamigal.
Ant Eater. ECHIDNA.	(tachyglossus aculeatus)	On the increase
Native Cat. SPOTTED QUOLL	(dasyurps maculatus).	Very Rare.
Tiger Cat. EASTERN QUOLL	(dasyurps viverrinus)	Very Rare
Badger. WOMBAT.	(vombatus ursinus).	Numbers increasing.
Native Bear. KOALA.	(phascolarctos cineraus).	Died out 1920s from mange.
BRUSHTAIL POSSUM	(trichosurus vulpecula).	Not as common as they were.
BRUSHTAIL POSSUM	(trichosurus caninus)	Not as common as they were.
RINGTAILPOSSUM.	(pseudocheirus peregrinus).	Not as common as they were.
GREATER GLIDER.	(petauroidesvolans).	Not very common.
SUGAR GLIDER.	(petaurus breviceps).	Not as common as they were.
FEATHERTAILGLIDER.	(acrobatespygmaeus).	Not very common.
ROCK WALLABY.	(petrogale penicillata).	Last seen 1930s
Swampy. SWAMP WALLABY.	(wallabia bicolor).	Common.
Scruby. RED-NECKED WALLABY	(macropus rufogriseus).	Common, increasing.
Grey Roo. GREY KANGAROO.	(macropus giganteus).	Numbers increasing.
Black Wallaby WALLAROO.	(macropus robustus).	Numbers increasing.
KANGAROO RAT.	(aepyprymnus rufescens)	Extinct. 1920’s
WATER RAT.	(hydromys chrysogaster).	Common.
BUSH RAT.	(rattus fuscipes).	Common.
DINGO.	(canis familiaries dingo)	Last pure dingo here 1934
FOX.	(viupus vlupes).	Numbers low due to baiting.
FERAL CAT.	(felis catus)	Numbers low due to hunting.
FERAL PIG.	(sus scrofa)	Numbers low due to hunting.
FERAL DOG.	(canis familiaries familiaries)	Numbers low due to baiting.
FERAL GOAT.	(capra hircus)	Increasing
FLYING FOX	(pteropus scapulatus)	Visits during fruit season.
RABBIT	(oryctolagus cuniculus)	Numbers low due to Virus
HARE	(lepus caperis)	Now very rare.

PALMERS OAKEY BIRDS.

COMMON NAME

Pied Cormorant.
White faced Heron
Black Duck
Brown Goshawk
Wedge-tailed Eagle
Australian Kestrel
Black-tailed Native-hen
Diamond Dove
Crested Pigeon
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo
Galah
King Parrot
Eastern Rosella
Fan-tailed Cuckoo
Horsfield's Bronze Cuckoo
Barking Owl
Tawny Frogmouth
Kookaburra
Dollarbird
Welcome Swallow
Cicadabird
Scarlet Robin
Rose Robin
Grey Shrike-thrush
Leaden Flycatcher
Spotted Quail-thrush
White Throated Greygone
Striated Thornbill
Brown Thornbill
White-throated Treecreeper
Red Watlebird
White-eared Honeyeater
Noisy Friarbird
Eastern Spinebill
Spotted Pardalote
Silvereye
European Goldfinch
Double-barred Finch
Magpie-lark (pee-wee)
Grey Butcherbird
Pied Currawong
Australian Raven
Eastern Shrike-tit
Varied Sittella
White-bowed Scrubwren
Bowerbird

Little Pied Cormorant
Nankeen Night Heron
Maned (Wood) Duck
Collared Sparrowhawk
Peregrine Falcon
Stubble Quail
Masked Lapwing (Plover)
Bronzewing
Glossy Black-Cockatoo
Gang-Gang Cockatoo
Sulphur-crested Cockatoo
Crimson Rosella
Pallid Cuckoo
Brush Cuckoo
Southern Boobook Owl
Powerful Owl
Australian Owlet-nightjar
Rainbow Bee-eater
Superb Lyrebird
Black-faced Cuckoo Shrike
Eastern Yellow Robin
Flame Robin
Jacky Winter
Restless Flycatcher
Indian Miner
Superb Fairy-wren
Yellow-rumped Thornbill
Yellow Thornbill
Buff-rumped Thornbill
Red-throated Treecreeper
Yellow-faced Honeyeater
White-naped Honeyeater
Noisy Miner
Mistletoebird
Striated Pardalote
House Sparrow
Zebra Finch
Common Starling
White-winged Chough
Magpie
Grey Currawong
Little Raven
Golden Whistler
Red-bowed Finch
Grebe.

As I am no ornithologist, this list is not a complete one and as some birds move a lot one can only do a complete list day by day.

The underlined birds are those that I never saw in my youth. The **bold birds** I seldom or never see now

PALMERS OAKEY HISTORY.

As mentioned earlier in the introduction this was an interesting place as it was the border of several Aboriginal clans. The Turon would have provided them with a track to move east to west, fish were abundant in the streams, the trees provided bark for shelter , and there was an excellent stone factory.

One can only assume the first white people to enter the valley and stay would have been the shepherds of the ever increasing number of flocks, to the west based on Bathurst, and to the east based on Wallerawang and Mudgee.

Also there would have been excaped convicts useing the isolation to avoid the law.

At this stage I have not researched who were the first white settlers to take up land in the area, but the Fergusons and McKinnons were here in the early 1840s with flocks of sheep and cattle. They were originally based around Limekilns and Kelso

We now move on to the day by day events that may give some insight into the lives of those that were here in the early days and the rise and fall of the population.

1841

.20-05-1841 Peter McKinnon married Jannet Ferguson at Bathurst.

1842

1843

14-03-1843 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee, Ferguson) had a son Ewen.

28-04-1843 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had their son Ewen baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the birthplace of Ewen as Limekilns and Peters profession as Overseer of Bathurst. Peter and his family came to Aust on the "Boyne" with the Rev Stewart in 1839.

1844

28-02-1844 James Brooks was indicted for killing a sheep, the property of D. M. Irving, Esq., at Dark Corner, on the 13th of December last, with intent to steal the carcass. It appeared from the evidence in this case, that the prisoner, who was a shepherd in the employment of the prosecutor, was caught in the very act of skinning the sheep, which was one of a flock entrusted to his charge by his master, and was subsequently seen boiling a portion of it and putting the remainder on salt. It was proved likewise that the prisoner had no authority to kill any sheep for rations but those which had been pointed out for that purpose by the overseer, but the prisoner, who cross-examined the witnesses with great shrewdness, elicited from his overseer the fact, that this very sheep was after served out as rations to the men, and accounted for in the ration book according to usual custom. His HONOR told the Jury that, before they could find a verdict of guilty against the prisoner, they must be fully convinced of his having acted as he did with a felonious intention ; and pointed out the fact, that although it had been proved he had received no permission for the slaughter of this particular sheep, yet his act had in some" measure been adopted by the subsequent appropriation of the meat for the purpose of rations.

The Jury returned a verdict of acquittal, and the prisoner was discharged.

This being the last criminal case for trial, His HONOR discharged the Jurors from further attendance, returning thanks for the promptitude and attention which they had displayed during the sittings, and remarking, that although he had had a great deal of experience among juries, he never met with more just, careful, or attentive jurymen than those of Bathurst.

1845

1846

20-08-1846 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had a daughter Janet.

06-12-1846 Donald McKinnon and his wife Catherine (nee McKay) had a daughter May.

22-12-1846 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had their daughter Janet baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the birthplace of Janet as Limekilns and Peters profession as Shepherd.

22-12-1846 Donald McKinnon and his wife Catherine (nee McKay) had their daughter May baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the birthplace of May as Limekilns and Donald's profession as Shepherd. Donald and his family came to Aust on the "Boyne" with the Rev Stewart in 1839.

1847

1848

00-03-1848 From Bathurst Paper. FOR SALE. A herd of well bred cattle, in number from 200 to 300 head and can be seen in a paddock at the Wattle Flat about 20 miles of Bathurst. If not sold before 9th March 1848 will be auctioned at "Black Bull" Inn.

21-04-1848 Donald McKinnon and his wife Catherine (nee McKay) had a son Hugh Lachlan.

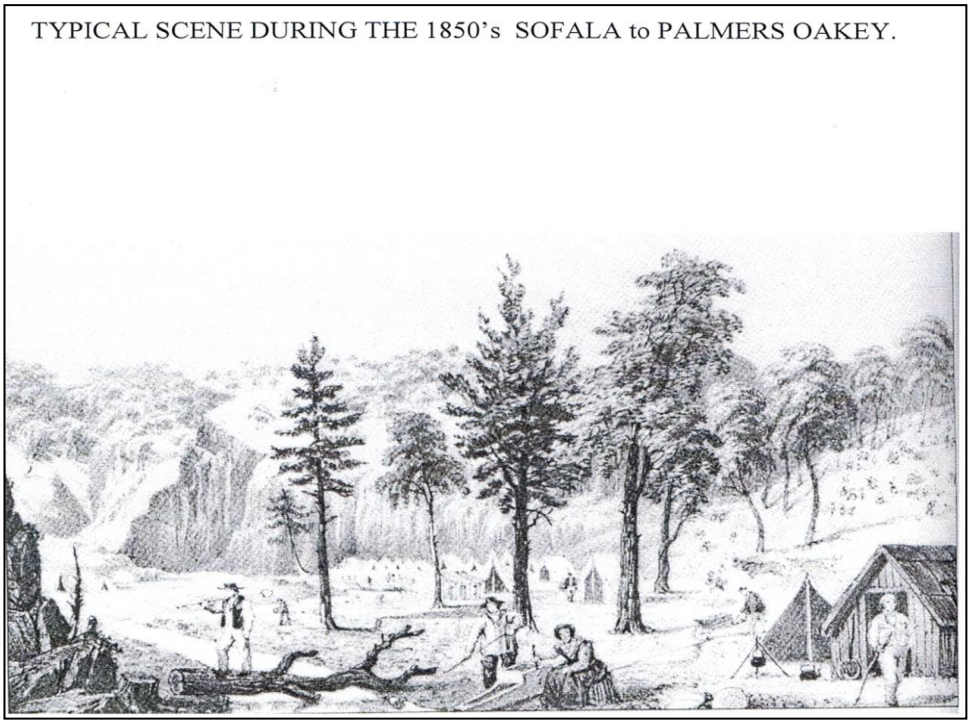
1849

14-09-1849 Donald McKinnon and his wife Catherine (nee Ferguson) had their son Hugh Lachlan baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the birthplace of Hugh as Mumble and Donald's profession as Overseer

1850

12-02-1850 "COOLAMIGAL" A SPLENDID SHEEP STATION,WITH ABOUT 5500 SHEEP,
Distant from the Kirkconnel property about fourteen miles, and capable of depasturing from 12,000 to 14,000 SHEEP.
Upon about 795 ACRES of PURCHASED LAND is the head station, upon which will be found A good thatched cottage ,Men's huts, Drafting yards Paddocks, &c.
The runs adjacent to the purchased land, and which are secured under the pre-emptive right, or at the minimum Crown rental, are most abundantly watered
THE TURON RIVER running nearly through the center of them.

The sheep are all young, and in first rate health, and of the very best breed in the country, no bring a higher price in the English market than the wool from these sheep. The following is the return dated 31st January ultimo .
63 Rams, 2446 Wethers, 667 Ewes, 5 and 6 years old, 400 lambs , 684 Ewes, 2 and 3 years old, 319 lambs, 567 Ewes, 3 and 4 years old, 401 lamb, 637 Ewes, 4 years old, 447 lambs 6631 TOTAL
TERMS :For the KIRKCONNEL PEOPERTY-25 per cent, cash deposit, and the residue at one, two, and three years' date, secured upon the property, and bearing interest at the rate of eight per cent.
For the COOLAMIGAL LAND AND SHEEP One-fourth cash, one fourth cash on delivery, and residue at twelve months' date, with interest at eight per cent., and security on the property.
N.B.-Plans and full particulars of these properties will be in the hands of the Auctioneers in a few days, for the information of intending purchasers.
KIRKCONNELL, AND COOLAMIGEL. NOTICE, the sale of these magnificent Country Properties and Stock TAKES PLACE THIS DAY, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, At half-past twelve o'clock precisely, At the Rooms of the auctioneers MORT AND BROWN. (ad in Sydney papers)

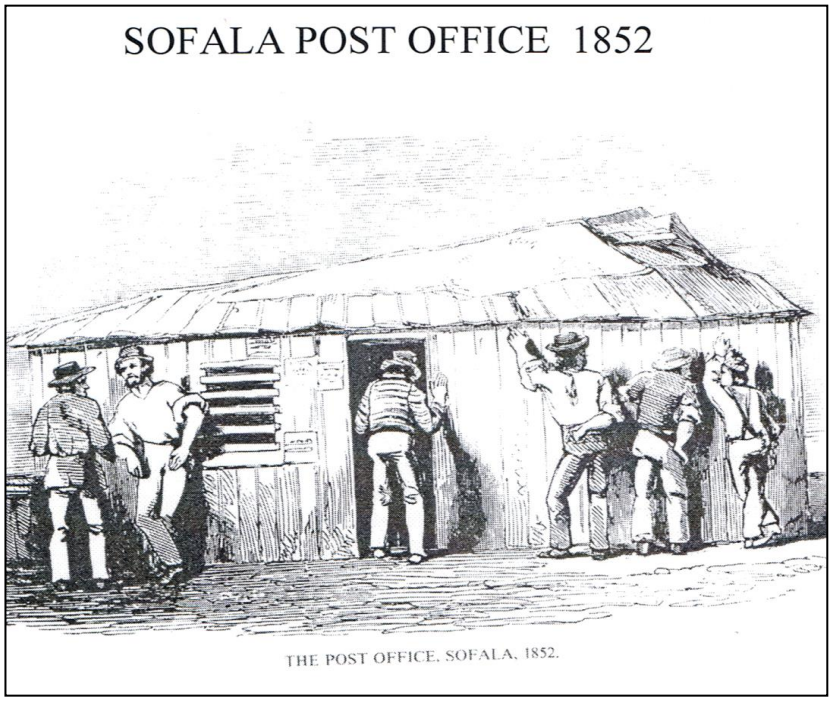


1851

23-01-1851	Hugh McKay and Janet McKinnon had a daughter Isabella at Limekilns
00-06-1851	The gold rush to the Turon was in full swing and by August it was reported the Turon was occupied from end to end. Diggers were averaging £1-10-00 per day while the wage for a labourer was £21-00-00 per year, and troopers 3/3d per day plus rations.
00-07-1851	Some of the finds near Sofala were. Harvies party 200 ozs in 3 days. The West party 23 pounds in 3 weeks. The 3 Hall Bros 40 pounds in a month. The Lee party (8 diggers) about 5 miles above Sofala , Wednesday 4oz. Thursday 13oz. Friday wet worked till breakfast-time 2oz. Saturday 16oz. Monday 21 1/2oz. Tuesday 22oz. Wednesday 40oz. Thursday 30oz. Friday 20oz. Saturday 4oz. Monday 3oz.
00-10-1851	" Rev. John Dunmore Lang on his way to the Turon left the Mudgee road at Ben Bullen & headed on horseback for the Upper Turon & followed it down."
07-07-1851	The first store opened at Sofala by Mr Rogers Flour 6d per lb Tea 2/-per lb Mutton 3d per lb Sugar 5d per lb
18-12-1851	A downpour over the tableland at Green Wattle Flat sent a wall of water down Little Oakey Creek. Large Trees were undermined and fell in the river and huge rocks were carried down through Erskine Flat. The Turon rose three feet in fifteen minutes and became dotted with puddling tubs, cradles and two bodies
00-12-1851	Gold production Aug/Dec for the Sofala area approx 150,000 oz.

1852

29-03-1852	Hugh McKay and his wife Janet (nee McKinnon) had their daughter Isabella baptised by Rev Colin Stewart and stated she was born at Limekilns and Hugh was a labourer. Hugh became the first Postmaster at Limekilns in 1861.
29-04-1852	Gov.General Sir Charles Fitzroy visited Sofala
14-07-1852	Walter William Millett aged 21 years 4 mts married Mary Ann Gettens of Sofala in Christ Church Sofala, Minister. H A Palmer. Witnesses were Caroline Gettens & David Myleckaran. Millett later moved to Palmers Oakey where he had an Inn & the first Post Office.
00-08-1852	Sofala Hospital completed.
00-12-1852	Duncan McKinnon opened the "Limekilns Inn" at Limekilns.



1853

SOFALA REVOLT

The Western Goldfields Act was to be enacted on the 1st Feb. 1853.

This Act in part had a licence fee of 30/- payable in advance but most important it was payable by every person on the Goldfield over the age of 14 years and if an alien it was double.

The Act had 13 penal clauses. Miners caught evading the licence were to have all their gold confiscated as well as being liable to heavy fines and imprisonment. Runaway servants found on the Goldfields were to be treated harshly.

By the start of the year 1853 the Diggings were ablaze with fury. The Miners saw the Act as an attempt to drive them back to the sheep runs. The storekeepers and employers of labour saw their costs rising and the Act's rank injustice.

The Diggers started to have meetings, the first on Jan 8th at Pattinson's Point. The following Monday 600 miners met in Sofala. On Jan 15th over 1000 rolled up to a meeting at Sofala where it was decided to draw up a memorial and present it to Governor General Sir Charles Fitzroy. In two days 1,940 people had signed the memorial, that is practically everyone in Sofala and on the Turon.

On the 1st Feb 1853 the day of the enactment a mass rally was held and the miners formed into a League and resolved not to take out licences, and declared that on the following Monday at 10 o'clock to meet again and surrender themselves en masse to the authorities.

Meanwhile both sides prepared for war. The Police barracks at Sofala were modified and strengthened, and reinforcements arrived from Bathurst. Half a Company of the Eleventh Regiment was riding from Sydney. The miners were well armed and had bought up powder and bullets.

They were drinking more heavily than usual and by Monday at least half had decided that if necessary there would be Civil War. Their decision was to make the German, Muller, their General. He had been a Prussian officer he claimed, and showed them his scars to prove it.

Monday 7th arrived and a huge crowd of about 1500 diggers had gathered on the flat. There for all to see was the effigy of W C Wentworth hanging by the neck. A reply from the Governor General was read stating that he had no power to intervene. A deputation of four diggers was elected to convey to Commissioner Green the feelings of the meeting. Green listened to them, then told them that the Act would be implemented to the letter. The diggers then agreed to assemble at 8 o'clock next day with their arms and let events take their course.

Tuesday 8th February 1853. From Mundy Point they started “The Mundy Point boys", in columns of four, drums and fife signalling the esprit de corps of a regiment. As the "boys" marched along the track down the Turon more diggers joined them and by the time the column reached the eastern edge of Sofala they were 500 strong. As they passed the Anglican Church the Rev H A Palmer called on them to stop and exhorted them not to shed blood. They then marched into town to the cheers of the crowd. Next they raised a large canvas banner on which was printed "AUSTRALIA EXPECTS EVERY MAN THIS DAY WILL DO HIS DUTY” The crowd cheered.

A delegation of four was elected to inform the Commissioner they were breaking the law and would continue to do so. The four were William Maxwell , Fieyer, Erskine Majoribanks , and John Donnelly.

When the men arrived at the barracks, Green arrested them, took their depositions, fined them each £1 or a fortnight's gaol, and then locked them up.

Meanwhile on the flat without their leaders the diggers were confused and restless. Then there was a cry "They are taken" then another cry “to the rescue". Then the chant “to the rescue" began to take hold.

They waved their pistols and guns, knives and clubs, and they began to move.

Then above the tumult, they heard the impassioned pleas of the Rev. Piddington of the Wesleyan persuasion, the faith that had its roots among the poorer classes. They paused. The Rev. said as a minister of the Gospel he was no politician but an ambassador of peace. He begged of them as men possessed of reason and understanding not to rush madly onto the bayonet. He pleaded with them at length and told them “Yes hoist your flag, and show your loyalty to the Queen and your respect to the British Constitution”. When he finished they cheered him.

As for the flag some wanted it at haft mast, some wanted it carried upside down, some preferred the Stars and Stripes. Green paroled the prisoners who returned to a tumultuous reception.

So it came to pass that on this day no Australian blood ran in the Turon River, no wattle stained.

Later on Wentworth asked Commissioner Green. “You think these people were on the eve of rebellion?”

Green replied. "No doubt".

Wentworth. "You think that out of that body of 800 men, 400 would have fought?”

Green. “I think 400 might have fought"

(Note: Eureka Stockade took place Nov. 1854)

22-02-1853 The Franks family arrived in Aust. From England, on the “Trafalager”.

17-03-1853 SOFALA.The early part of this month has passed off in perfect quiet; prior to the eighth mostly all the diggers had taken out their license, hoping that when the Legislature meets, their grievances will be considered, and the present obnoxious law greatly modified; the number of licenses that have been collected is between thirteen and fourteen hundred, and only about half a dozen have been apprehended as unlicensed diggers. Since I wrote you last, a great number of claims in the bed of the river have been yielding very richly; on Reuben's bar, I have heard of handsome returns, on Mundy point, 20, 30, and 40 ounces per day have been repeatedly got lately out of some few claims. Mr. Hargraves arrived here yesterday; His course since he left Sydney has been, first to Jews' Creek and the Upper Turon, thence to Mudgee, Avisford, Louisa, Tambaroura, and here; he purposes leaving tomorrow for Bathurst, thence to Ophir and the Abercrombie mountains; both he and Mr. Davidson, his companion, speak very highly of the Tambaroura diggings; they were quite struck with the similarity to the Bendigo country, and they are of opinion that for seven miles this side of Tambaroura, the gold field will be found very rich; they are also far from coinciding with the general voice, that the Turon is worked out; it will pay for working and re-working over again; I accompanied them to Mundy Point this afternoon, and we were told by a party that he had last week got 30 oz. one day, 14 ozs. the next, and 8 the following, out of a claim that had already been worked out last summer and deserted; this is one instance which fully bears out their opinion. I have been told that our excellent Police Magistrate, Mr. Zouch, is about to leave us, having received a more lucrative appointment; a more deserving and efficient officer could not have been chosen for promotion, and while I express my gratification at his good fortune, I must also express my deep sorrow at our loss; we must only hope that the Governor-General will use the same discrimination in choosing his successor that has been shown in promoting him. The price of gold has not materially altered since my last, if anything it is a shade lower, say an average of £3 14s. 9d. per ounce, with a disinclination to buy at that figure. SMH

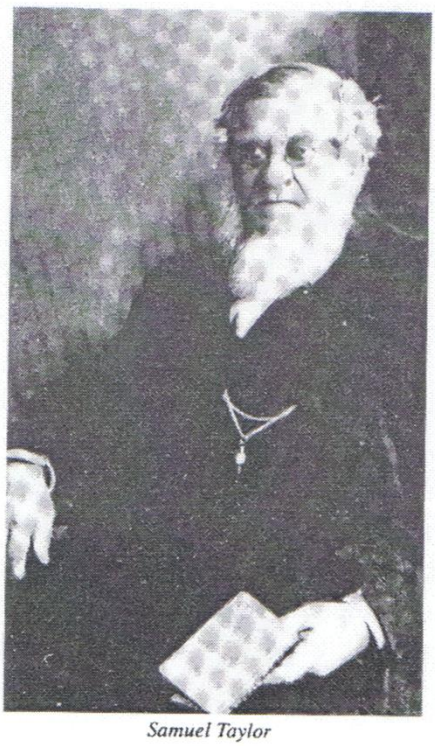
00-04-1853 Duncan McKinnon issued a hotel licence (no: 170) for a hotel at Lime Kilns Bathurst.

00-04-1853 John Tobin issued with a hotel licence (no: 13 1) for the “Lime Kilns Inn" at Lime Kilns , Bathurst.

00-04-1853 William Hawken issued with a hotel licence (no: 1146) for the Miners Home" at Palmers Oakey Creek, Turon River, Sofala.

30-04-1853 Samuel Taylor issued with a hotel licence (no: 1148) for the "Diggers Arms" at Palmers Oakey Creek, Turon River, Sofala. (Samuel later became the owner of Mortein (fly spray))

Mine Host of the "Diggers Arms"



Samuel Taylor



Mrs Taylor

00-06-1853 Heavy rains Turon in flood.

14-09-1853 THE GOLD FIELDS. THE TURON.(From the Bathurst Free Press.)

The new diggings at Oakey Creek are not likely to turn out so productive as was expected.

There are a few parties, however, who are still making 4 and 6 oz. per day, and I know of one party who last week netted £120. Most of the diggers have left Oakey Creek for other new diggings which have been discovered at Palmer's Oakey Creek, twenty miles from Sofala. From a friend of mine who has just arrived from the locality I learn that already there are 300 diggers there, and that the diggings were discovered by Mr. Hawkins, who reached the washing stuff on Monday evening and obtained I dwt. of gold in a panful of earth. This for new ground be it remembered is certainly very encouraging, although at the Big Oakey Creek digging as much as two ounces was procured in a panful of earth. For myself I augur very favourably of this discovery, and it is my firm conviction that this is the first step towards opening a very prolific and extensive gold field among the hitherto unexplored regions of the Upper Turon. With regard to the river diggings the only preparation I observe for working them is the cutting of the race in Sofala Reach, which judging from present appearances is not at all likely to answer the purpose of the claim holders. As I mentioned last week, we have had

the most unseasonable and disagreeable weather ever experienced on the Turon. Day after day the wind blew terrifically, and on Saturday evening it seemed to have reached its climax ; for it came on a perfect hurricane the most of the night, unroofing some of the stores, and shivering calico tents into ribbons. It did not abate until Sunday evening, when the dense clouds which floated in the atmosphere threatened to over helm us with a delude of rain. However, fortunately for the bed-claim holders, but otherwise for the farmers, we had merely a slight shower, barely sufficient to lay the dust. Sofala, Sept. 14. 1853

16-09-1853 Gold Commissioner Johnson visited the new diggings at Palmers Oakey and found men earning £1 daily and a store already erected.

17-09-1853 It was reported in the Bathurst Press on this day "Most of the diggers have left Big Oakey Creek for the new diggings which have been discovered at Palmers Oakey Creek, 20 miles from Sofala. From a friend of mine who has just returned from that locality I learn that there are already 300 diggers there and that the diggings were discovered by Mr Hawkins who reached the washing stuff on Monday evening and obtained 1 dwt of gold in a pan of earth. This new ground be it remembered is certainly very encouraging, although at Big Oakey as much as 2 ozs was produced in a pan of earth. For myself I augur very favourably of this discovery and it is my firm conviction that this is the first step towards opening a very prolific and extensive gold field around the hitherto unexplored regions of the Upper Turon."
There must have a rather large number of diggers here before this as they leapfrogged up the Turon in search of paydirt and there must have been several drinkers to support the two above hotels.

23-09-1853 Trooper Robert Lovell McDougall who was stationed at Upper Turon was killed when he fell from his horse near Whalans Hill. He and Trooper Johnson had been inspecting gold licences in the Wattle Flat area. He was born 1816 and enlisted in the Gold Escort 26-11-1851

05-10-1853 The diggers are leaving Palmer's Oakey Creek, not being able to work it on account of the large quantity of water. But as a proof of its richness I may say that a party of four have been working on the creek for the last six months, and every day they washed, which was four days in the week, they seldom obtained less than three ounces a day and often four or five. No doubt some of those who declared the creek to be no good will be somewhat startled on read- ing this statement, but I can vouch for its ac- curacy, and if necessiry can give the parties' names. Many of those who have left the creek have expressed their belief in the richness of its bed, and are determined to try it again so soon as the water is sufficiently low.SMH.

07-12-1853 Again, a short time since a rush made to Palmers Oakey Creek, scores left Wattle Flat for this locality ; but in two days they all returned. A friend of mine, who was present, declared that he saw a party of four strong lusty fellows dig up a little earth from the surface, and proceed to wash a pan of it. But not finding a "spec" of gold they returned, and meeting with others who were going to try the creek, declared that it was not worth working; so they turned back, heaping curses upon those who decoyed them away by false representations. But recent occurrences fully demonstrate that this same Palmer's Oakey Creek is a very rich creek, many parties having procured 3, 4, 7, and 8 ounces of gold a day there.

1854

00-00-1854 Jane Elizabeth Millett born at Sofala.

00-00-1854 Annie Hyde born at Big Oakey Sofala (married K McLeod 1871)

00-05-1854 Samuel Taylor issued with a hotel licence for the "Diggers Arms" at Palmers Oakey Creek

00-05-1854 John Tobin issued with a hotel licence for the "Hargraves Inn" at Lime Kilns Bathurst.

00-05-1854 The Gold Commissioner reported 44 pubs and inns at Sofala and along the Turon River. At about this time Taylor had the "Diggers Home" at Palmers Oakey and Wilde the "Harp of Erin" also at Palmers Oakey.

1855

00-00-1855 Henry Theobald and Peter Theobald arrived in Aust. from Bavaria Germany Henry was aged 16 years

00-02-1855 Bathurst Free Press reported miners on the Turon were taking up to 40 oz of gold per day and sometimes 20 oz from 3 buckets of paydirt.

26-05-1855 A Paper Report; "Several parties have gone to Palmers Oakey and I hear are doing well. A man by the name of Ned Price and two others got 18 oz; last week"

13-06-1855 From the Bathurst Free Press; "Within the last few days another rush has set in from Sofala and its neighbourhood and Wattle Flat to Palmers Oakey, the exciting cause being that of a single individual had visited the Commissioners quarters and taken out licences for nearly 100 claims, upon the river near the junction of that creek. It is computed that at present there cannot be less than 500 diggers at work there-abouts One of the consequences of this efflux is a great falling off in the population of Sofala and Wattle Flat, and the melancholy dullness of business. At present it would be premature to speak of the diggers prospects at their new claims, and we hope to be in possession of specific information in a few days, which will duly be published"

01-09-1855 From the Bathurst Free Press; "At Palmers Oakey , a great number are now at work and reports speak of the establishment of a Police Station and escort ounce a week to this township a great desideratum for the diggers. (This Police Station was to the east of Taylors Inn the "Diggers Home". Ie. about a third of the way from the road to the present cemetery.) Several large nuggets have lately been found , one 25 oz. among a party, a fortnight since, together with 30 oz. of small nuggets and coarse gold and some newcomers got a 26 oz. nugget last week together with a good quantity of coarse gold on the same day"

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20-09-1855 To the Editor of the Sydney Morning Herald, "Having been resident on the Western Gold Fields (Sofala District) some months, I wish to offer a 'fair statement of their working, Leaving the Running Stream on the Bathurst and Mudgee roads we strike upon the Turon River, on Frost's marked tree line to Palmer's Oakey , some gold has been' found at the Running Stream, but very little has been taken between that and Palmer's Oakey. Gold has also been found at intervals all the way (ten miles), but as yet no rush has taken place ; therefore, it has never been properly prospected, but the whole distance has every appearance of a good working gold field. Arriving at Palmer's Oakey, we find about two hundred diggers at work all on the dry diggings, most .of whom are doing well. Since the new rush took place about ten diggers have cleared between £200 and £500 each very few complain of these diggings ; indeed, every one has a high opinion of them ; and

from prospected ground in the bed of the river, there is no doubt that there are very rich bed claims, but as yet there is too much water. When the water sub-sides there will be profitable employment for some hundreds of diggers ; there are, at present, two public house, and plenty of stores at very fair prices, also a detachment of the Gold Mounted Police stationed here , hired men are getting £3 10s. per week. This place alone, would find employment for every digger on the Western Gold Fields. SMH

05-10-1855 The Gold Commissioner reported the use of the puddling machine for the first time on the Turon, and "At the junction of Palmer's Oakey Creek with the river, nearly twenty miles above the township, so many had congregated that I found it necessary last month to dispatch a corporal and two men from Sofala, who are now permanently stationed there. A lock-up and barracks have been built, and there is now a weekly escort to Sofala for the transport of gold, and at the same time the conveyance of the mail.
In some instances the miners have been very successful at this place—one party, during two months, clearing at the rate of £20 per week per man. They are, moreover, very sanguine as to the richness of the bed of the river, which is at present unworkable from a superabundance of water, but which will be easily managed during the summer"

04-10-1855 John McKinnon (Limekilns) married Catherine Ferguson (Palmers Oakey) at Bathurst. Minister James. B. Laughton. Witness, Kenneth McKenzie, Catherine McKinnon, Donald McKinnon, John McKay.

03-11-1855 From Sydney Paper. "We have now on good authority to mention the singular good fortune of a party of young men who lately arrive from Melbourne and proceeded at once to Palmers Oakey Creek a tributary of the Turon. In very short time they procured 60 oz. which they carried to Bathurst and sold to Mr Curtis the watchmaker. That gentleman arrived in Sydney yesterday and obliged us with an opportunity of inspecting these beautiful specimens. They consist of seven nuggets and a quantity of dust. The pieces are of solid and pure gold and the largest weighing 25 oz; the next 19 ½ oz; and the other five varying from one to five oz; They are amongst the choicest and the most beautiful specimens we have inspected since the first discovery"

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1856

00-00-1856 Start of the influx of Chinese to come to the Gold fields.

00-00-1856 Elections for the first time under new constuition for Legis; Ass; held in Roxburgh, William Henry Suttor of Peel, William Lee "Claremont", and William Cummings Clear Creek: Lee won.

00-00-1856 Licence fee of 10/- replaced by miners right of £1 per year.

00-00-1856 Cold winter, heavy rain in spring Turon flooded.

30-08-1856 From Melbourne Argus ; "I have also to inform you that I have this day seen a prospect of one dish of surfacing from Palmers Oakey Creek about a mile from the junction which showed over six grains. The fortunate finders are going to put a longtom to work and are now making a dam to supply themselves with water. Long as this creek has been wrought as a gold field this is the first surface-digging that has been found upon it. A party of Americans have made application for half a mile on the side of the river a little below the junction with the above creek. This ground has been very productive indeed , as much as 40 oz; having been obtained in one day there from by two men"

1857

05.01.1857 W W Millett had a daughter Mary Ann.

28-01-1857 We have seen a nice sample of rough gold from Palmer's Oakey Creek, -weighing 28 ozs., purchased at 76s., by Mr. Croaker, whose total purchases this week amount to 73 07.S. 12 dwts. Mr. Curtis has bought 25 ozs. 10 dwts.

04-04-1857 From another source equally reliable we learn that from a variety of causes, the Scab Act amongst the rest, that a tract of country between Coolamigal in the County of Roxburgh and the Turon, which some few years back grazed 60,000 sheep, does' not now depasture more than 2000. For this change, however, the gold discovery is principally responsible. Should this proportion of decrease hold good throughout the country, the falling off will amount to something very considerable. As the scab however is exterminated or thereabouts the decrease cannot by any means be considered an average one.- Bathurst Free Press,

24-04-1857 W W Milletts daughter Mary Ann baptised at Christ Church Sofala by Rev H A Palmer.

03-06-1857 PALMER'S OAKEY CREEK.-A German who keeps a store at Palmer's Oakey Creek sold a parcel of gold containing 60 oz, at the Bank of New South Wales, Including a beautiful nugget, completely free from dross and much water-worn, weighing 11 ozs. 5 dwts. He stated that the diggers in that quarter were doing remarkably well, the least fortunate making good wages and some of them much more The character of the gold is different from anything we have hitherto seen in the auriferous line. Bathurst Free Press, June 3.

21-07-1857 William John McGlashan and his wife Frances (nee Mallet) became the parents of twins, Crarissa Jane and Stuart at Palmers Oakey.

01-08-1857 SATURDAY. August 1st.-My last communication conveyed intelligence of a very painful nature, via the visitation of this district by one of the most disastrous floods within the recollection of the oldest residents here. Coming, as it did, so suddenly upon us after years of comparative security, made it all the more difficult to apprehend danger, owing to the enormous volume of water it would require ere the banks of the Turon's vast capacity would overflow. Property of enormous value has consequently been swept away by the impetuous and irresistible torrent. The "comet excitement" had barely passed away when this most deplorable calamity came upon us, which must be severely felt by the diggers at Sofala, and along the tributary for twenty miles and upwards for a of time. At Palmer's Oakey it rose higher and did more damage than it had done for the last fifteen years, so far I am informed by a shepherd who has resided on the Turon upwards of twenty years. At Pennyweight Flat and Erskine Flat the current of destruction swept away or destroyed long-toms, sluice boxes, cradles, and Californian pumps. The preservation of life is a matter of gratulation, not a single human being, as far as we know, having perished. The ravages of the storm are daily becoming more observable, having made great and irreparable breaches in the banks of the river for miles; its various crossings have also been rendered very dangerous and next to impassable. The slopes of the river, more particularly at the sharp points, demonstrate most convincingly the havoc that has been made. Wreck of, an heterogeneous character lay here and there, involving a loss to the un- fortunate diggers of thousands of pounds.
The loss to the miners of long-toms and cradles is all the more severely felt owing to the scarcity of material where with to replace them. Mr. Valanti, a very enterprising and speculative digger, who has latterly turned his attention to working the river bed-claims, stands prominently amongst the most unfortunate -10 long-toms, 2 sluice-boxes, 3 California pumps. 4 cradles, 12 wheelbarrows, buckets, picks, shovels &c.,

together with his extensive dam and two races all carried away by the mountain torrent. His loss alone cannot be less than £300, and would have been still greater had it occurred a couple of days later, by which time his new waterwheel would have been transferred to its working place in the river. Many instances of equal hardship might be mentioned, but I shall confine myself to one other case of a provident digger, who lost the hard earnings of years of toil and industry at the same time, viz.: 4 California pumps, 5 long-toms, 3 cradles, 6 wheel- barrows, and other mining tools, all at one fell swoop doomed to destruction, his dam and tail-race also entirely disappearing, which cost him months of hard labour ,his loss he estimates at £200.

From the Bathurst Newspaper of the 12th December 1857

Ann Wilkinson was indited for stealing 3oz 9wts of gold belonging to Samuel Taylor of Palmers Oakey Creek at Bathurst on 11th November 1857. She pleaded guilty and was undefended.

From the evidence it appeared that the accused was a servant in the employ of Mr T McKell of the Daniel O'Connell Hotel, and the prosecutor was a storekeeper at the diggings mentioned above and was lodging at Mr McKells on the 11th November. The Chief Constable received information that a small quantity of gold had been stolen from Taylor and in consequence he proceeded to McKells accompanied by District Constable Larkins. They went upstairs to the prosecutor's bedroom for the purpose of searching. The prisoner left suddenly and ran downstairs into the backyard, quickly followed by the police. In a minute or so the Chief Constable picked up a parcel upon the stairs containing 3oz 9wts of gold, folded up in what appeared to be a dress patten.

Samuel Taylor disposed that he had arrived at the Daniel O'Connell Hotel on the 11th November with 64 oz of gold in 3 chamois bags, which were put into a linen bag. Upon being shown to his room he disposited the gold between the bed and the mattress and on the following day he took the gold to the Bank of NSW where it was weighed and found to be 3 oz 9 wts deficient. Subquentialy he saw a small quantity of gold weighed at the Post Office by Mr Shadforth and its weight was 3 oz 9 wts.

In cross-examination by the Chairman this witness admitted he did not know the weight of the gold from his own weighing but from the statement of his daughter.

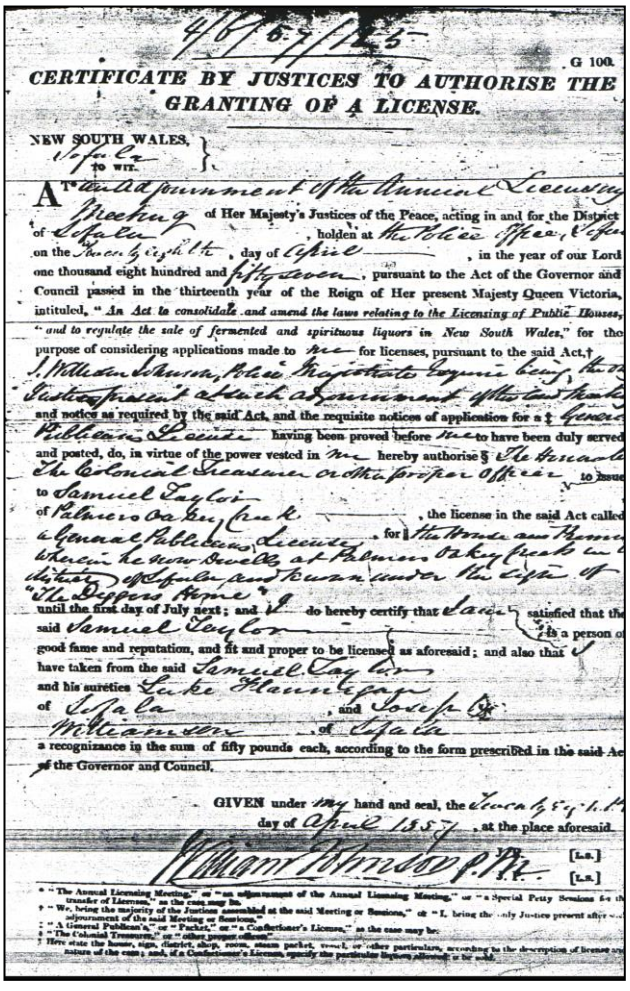
Susan McKell, being sworn, said that she was the wife of Mr Thomas McKell. On the 12th the prisoner brought her a bag which from its weight she supposed it contained gold, telling her that she found it in "the gentleman's" room between the bed and the mattress. Witness reprimanded her for touching it and took charge of it until Mr Taylor, who at the time was absent, returned. She then handed it over to him. She deposited the gold in the cash till and locked the door of the apartment, keeping the key in her possession.

Adilaid Pittingrew was at the foot of the stairs when the Chief and District Constables went up. At that time there was nothing on the stairs. Shortly afterwards the prisoner hurried down and sprang from the third stair upon the floor. Immediately afterwards the Chief Constable picked up the parcel containing the gold. Witness was sure it was not there when they went up.

A discussion took place between the Crown Prosecutor and the chairman as to the nature of the evidence and the latter considered that there was no absolute proof of the loss of gold, but the prosecutor or the possession of any by the prisoner, the former that there was strong circumstantial evidence of both.

The Chairman briefly summed up and pointed out the shortcomings of the evidence above alluded to.

The Jury found a verdict of not guilty without leaving the box. The prisoner was accordingly discharged.



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CERTIFICATE BY JUSTICES TO AUTHORISE THE GRANTING OF A LICENSE.

NEW SOUTH WALES,
to wit.

At the [illegible] Annual Licensing Meeting of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, acting in and for the District of Bathurst, holden at the Police Office, Bathurst on the twenty eighth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven, pursuant to the Act of the Governor and Council passed in the thirteenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled, "An Act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to the Licensing of Public Houses, and to regulate the sale of fermented and spirituous liquors in New South Wales," for the purpose of considering applications made to me for licenses, pursuant to the said Act,† I William Johnson, Police Magistrate Bathurst being, the only Justice present at such Annual Licensing Meeting of the said District and notice as required by the said Act, and the requisite notices of application for a ‡ General Publicans License having been proved before me to have been duly served and posted, do, in virtue of the power vested in me hereby authorise § The Colonial Treasurer or the proper Officer to issue to Samuel Taylor of Palmers Oakey Creek, the license in the said Act called a General Publicans License, for the House and Premises wherein he now dwells at Palmers Oakey Creek in the District of Bathurst and known under the sign of "The Diggers Home" until the first day of July next; and I do hereby certify that I am satisfied that the said Samuel Taylor is a person of good fame and reputation, and fit and proper to be licensed as aforesaid; and also that I have taken from the said Samuel Taylor and his sureties Luke Hannigan of Bathurst, and Joseph [illegible] of Bathurst a recognizance in the sum of fifty pounds each, according to the form prescribed in the said Act of the Governor and Council.

GIVEN under my hand and seal, the twenty eighth day of April 1857, at the place aforesaid.

William Johnson P.M. [L.S.]

[L.S.]

* "The Annual Licensing Meeting," or "an adjournment of the Annual Licensing Meeting," or "a Special Petty Sessions for the transfer of Licenses," as the case may be.

† "We, being the majority of the Justices assembled at the said Meeting or Sessions," or "I, being the only Justice present after the adjournment of the said Meeting or Sessions."

‡ "A General Publican's," or "Packet," or "a Confectioner's License," as the case may be.

§ "The Colonial Treasurer," or "other proper officer."

† Here state the house, sign, district, shop, room, steam packet, vessel, or other particulars, according to the description of license and nature of the case; and, if a Confectioner's License, specify the particular highway although it be such.

1858

Bathurst rainfall 25.61 ins.

01-01-1858 At her residence, Palmer's Oakey**,** Turon, Mrs. Samuel Taylor, of a daughter.

00-00-1858 34 pubs on the Turon

20-04-1858 William Harvey held a Publican's Licence to operate as "General Publican" under the sign "Royal Oak" at Palmers Oakey. (this may have been on portion 29 near the junction of P O Creek & Turon.)

27-04-1858 The Chinese on the Diggings.-Within a few days past, a Chinese grandee sort of leader or factotum, of whom every party of arrivals possesses one, made his appearance before a storekeeper upon Palmer's Oakey Creek, and enquired whether he could provision some 100 or more of a party of his countrymen. Having received an answer in the negative, he made application at one or two other places, but with no better success, and was shortly afterwards seen trotting down the creek towards Sofala where his party were congregated. This personage was next seen in close confabulation with a dealer some distance up the Turon, near whose place a body of about twenty Americans had for some time been advantageously at work upon a small flat, and from the appearance of himself and his countrymen upon the ground on the following day, with the intention of commencing operations, it is supposed that he received both information and encouragement. They had not arrived more than a few minutes, however, before unmistakable evidences of hostility began to manifest them selves on the part of the Yankees, and as Quang Foo and his compeers did not like appearances, they very quickly bade their unpleasant acquaintances "good morning," and departed to some unoccupied spot down the river, where they are now scratching the surface soil for precious metal.SMH

00-05-1858 PALMER'S OAKEY.-Those diggings still continue to go ahead as fast as ever. I have heard of several parties who are getting two and three ounces a week, and in many instances a larger average than this has been obtained. The ground adjoining the Royal Oak is one of the favorite localities, and the parties who are working there are quite satisfied with what they are earning. The accounts from the lower part of the creek near the Turon is also good, and the earnings of the diggers are such as to give general satisfaction. Below Mr. McKinnon's store, a new point had been opened, and a hole bottomed, the result of which I am told was very satisfactory. Close to Taylor's house now ground has also been broken and the prospect obtained is very favorable. As water is very plentiful in this place, I feel quite satisfied that during the winter months these diggings will hold as brilliant a reputation, for those who wish to obtain a fair remuneration for their labor I as those of any other of the western districts At present there is a very nice population located on the creek, and from their well known orderly and well behaved conduct, I have no doubt that before long some very rich deposits will be hit upon.SMH

25-05-1858 Palmer's Oakey Creek.-A nugget, weighing six ounces, was found in this locality last week, by Mr. John Sullivan, who came to town with it yesterday. It was discovered on the hill side, near the junction of the creek with the Turon, only two feet below the surface, together with about two ounces of small nuggety gold. This creek is famous for the number of nuggets that have been found in it. Mr. Sullivan assures us that there is yet a large space of auriferous ground there untouched, which he believes would yield an abundance of gold, if there was only a population to tell it. The river-course is close at hand, and although the stream is not running now, there is plenty of water in adjacent holes. Altogether there are about 150 diggers working in and about Palmer's Oakey Creek, and, it appears, they are all doing pretty well. Provisions are plentiful, and prices reasonable. Bathurst Times.

03-07-1858 Bathurst Free Press reported an invasion of 300 chinamen had infuriated miners at Palmers Oakey. (My father said an old resident told him when he was a boy, that back in the gold days of a whole boatload of chinamen that walked in and set up camp near the Police Station. They then broke up into groups of about 10 and went off in all directions looking for gold).

07-11-1858 At Palmers Oakey, James Dyson (bachelor) of Palmers Oakey married Mary Henley (widow) Celebrant was Rev. Henry Palmer C of E Minister of Sofala. Witnesses were Michael Fox & Bridget Morcan.

00-00-1858 **The following is from the book François Raynal's "Wrecked on a Reef"**

Francois was born in France and travelled the world, spending about 6 years in Australia looking for gold, starting in 1853 in Victoria then to NSW. (a very good read)

The third accident, to which I myself am astonished that I did not fall a victim occurred towards the close of my residence in Australia. I was then engaged in exploring Palmer's Oakey Creek, an affluent of the river Turon. One day, the men in my employ left off work to take their usual noontide meal and I was about to follow their example, when the idea occurred to me that I would make my way into an excavation I had caused to be effected in the mountainside, to ascertain whether it would not be prudent to support the interior with additional beams and pillars. I had no sooner forced an entrance than a portion of the roof crashed in upon me. I was thrown to the ground, and half-buried under the mass of stone and earth. I cried aloud for help, but in vain, my men being too far off to hear me. I thought I was doomed to die there, imprisoned, suffocated, almost crushed. Fortunately, the soil which had fallen was loose and pliable: in struggling to release my limbs, I felt that it gave way; I redoubled my efforts, and little by little I succeeded in extricating myself, and emerging from what might have been my tomb. I hastened to rejoin my companions, dragging myself along as best I could, suffering keenly, half-dead! No limb was broken, but, undoubtedly, the heavy pressure had caused some internal lesion, for I was a long time ill. I was compelled to return to Sydney,* where I did not recover my health until after eight months in the hands of a physician.

1859 Bathurst rainfall 24.88 ins.

00-00-1859 Taylorheld licence for the "Diggers Home", and John Scott held the licence for the "Royal Hotel" at Palmers Oaky Creek. (*the Royal Hotel may have been in the Upper Turon area)*

26-02-1859 From the Bathurst Free Press. " £10 Reward. Stolen from Palmers Oakey, Turon River, a black or very dark brown horse, 5 years old, near 15 hands high, brand I+G on near shoulder, off hind fetlock white, star on forehead. Ten Pounds reward is offered for recovery of the horse and conviction of the thief or thieves. Apply to, Michael Fox at Mr. Wm. Harveys Palmers Oakey, Turon River

20-04-1859 While retracing my route to Tabrabucca, I overtook two drays, laden with the goods and chattels of two families, who were removing their household gods from Sydney to Palmer's Oakey, of which the male members of the party had some experience, and were so well satisfied that they were about to take up their permanent residence in that beautiful district. I recognised in one of them a digger who was working a rich claim on Butcher'a Point when I passed through in November last, and was much pleased to see that he had turned his good fortune to so profitable an account. Women, children, and all, seemed happy in their anticipations of the future, and afforded a pleasing contrast to the wretched careworn men I had met with on my way down.SMH

22-08-1859 Duncan Ferguson married Jane Virginia Peet at "Warrie" Palmers Oakey, Minister Colin Stewart and the witnesses were John McKinnon and Hugh McKay.

09-10-1859 William John McGlashan and his wife Frances (nee Mallet) had their twin children Clarissa Jane and Stuart baptised by Rev Colin Stewart, McGlashans occupation was given as labourer and the twins birthplace as Palmers Oakey.

08-12-1859 THE WELLINGTON MURDER. -Sergeant Major Lawrence has returned to Bathurst, after a chase of three days, with the Chinaman who murdered another of his country- men, at Wellington, about two months ago. Particulars of the exciting circumstances attending the capture will be given in our next.-Bathurst Times. The Free Press gives the following account :-" Singular Discovery.-About a fortnight ago, as a son of Mr. Taylor's, of the Lime Kilns, was riding towards Palmer's Oakey, he saw some bushes fixed against a tree, and upon inspection discovered a Chinaman seated beneath them. Mr. Taylor proceeded on his journey, and upon his return, the next day, found the man still there, apparently quite exhausted from want of food. Mr. T. reported the circumstance to his friends, and upon their going to the spot, they found the place deserted. Mr. Taylor, sen., who deserves great praise for the manner in which he acted, came to Bathurst, and reported the case to the authorities, and Sergeant Major Lawrence went immediately to the spot, expecting, from the statements made, to find the man lying dead in the bush. On reaching the spot where he was originally seen, the sergeant discovered his tracks, which he immediately followed, in company with Mr. Taylor and others, and after a long search, they discovered John Chinaman, who had taken shelter in a hollow tree near the Coolamidgee Creek, below “Warrie” Mr. Ferguson's station. When discovered, it was presumed that he was the man who was suspected of having lately murdered a shepherd at Wellington, and when spoken to upon the matter, he refused to give his name, but said some man had offered him 60 sheep if he would kill Sammy, and he told him if he would go to Mudgee the police would not follow him. Sergeant Lawrence brought him as a prisoner into Bathurst, and he in now confined in the lock-up. It appears probable that the man had been without food for ten or twelve days, and in a very short space of time after he was discovered, he devoured food equivalent to full three days' rations for an ordinary man.BFP

08-12-1859 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had a son Donald

11-12-1859 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had their son Donald baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart (Rev Stewart came to Australia on the "Boyne" with Peter and his family 20 years earlier). They gave Donald’s birthplace as Palmers Oakey and Peters profession as Farmer and Grazier.

22-12-1859 Palmers Oakey Creek..-The Bathurst Times state that from news received from this locality, it appear not unlikely that Palmer's Oakey Creek will ascertain a more important feature in our records for the future than it have lately done. A resident informs us that there are about fifty diggers located there at present, and all are obtaining more gold than they have ever done before.

1860 Bathurst rainfall 24.59 ins.

05-02-1860 Duncan Ferguson (1st) died at Piper St Bathurst from cancer of the stomach buried Bathurst.

His last will and testament makes interesting reading. Viz.

In the name of God. Amen.

I Duncan Ferguson of "Warrie", County of Roxburgh, District of Bathurst, Colony of New South Wales, Farmer and Grazier being weak in health but of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding Blessed be God for the same do this thirtieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following:-

That is to say first and principally I commend my soul unto Almighty God my Creator hoping for a glorious resurrection and a remission of all my sins through the merits and mediation of my Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and my body I commit to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my executors herein after named And as to such worldly estate of which I may die possessed I give and bequeath the same as follows:

I give and bequeath to my dear wife Mary McColl Twenty pounds sterling to be given her by my executors as soon as convenient after my death, also the two cows known as Miss Faloon and her daughter, also a wool bed and bedding, also one half of the wheat and hay crop, one fourth of the potatoes now growing and one third of whatever flour tea and sugar that may remain in the house of what 1 left of my own. I give and bequeath to my son John all my sheep at or near "Warrie" on condition of his paying the sum of Thirty pounds Stirling to the hands of my executors (to be hereafter named) to be paid by them as hereafter named, 1 also give him the hereunder named horses, one roan horse Warrigal, one roan horse Roancy, one bay mare Fanny and foal, one bay mare Old Nelly, also my harrows, my watch clock and kettle, one half of the potato crop now growing, also my right and title of two sections of Crown land at and near Jack Welshes that I had from John McKinnon, also one third of whatever flour tea and sugar that may remain in his house of what was mine, also a wool bed and bedding, also all the wool packs. I also leave my horse Grego in his charge for the sole use of the girls Alick and Jessie when they want him. I give and bequeath to my son Duncan all my working bullocks, dray and harness belonging to them, also my plough, my gun, my valise and one half of the wheat and hay crops, one fourth of the potato crop, also my right and title to two sections of Crown land at the back of Coolamigal of what I got from P Murray, and one third of what ever f lour tea and sugar that may remain of what 1 left of my own on condition of his paying the sum of Thirty pounds Stirling to my executors to be paid by them as hereafter named, I give and bequeath to my daughter Alexandrina the sum of Twenty pounds Stirling to be paid to her by my executors as soon as convenient after my death, also my bay filly (known as Nellys filly), also a wool bed and bedding. I also give and bequeath to my daughter Jessie the younger the sum of Twenty pounds Stirling to be paid to her by my executors

as soon as convenient after my death and bequeath to my two daughters Mary and Isabella the sum of Ten pounds Stirling each to be paid to them by my executors as soon as convenient after my death. I give to my daughter Catherine my big clothes box and the bible that she gave me. I give and bequeath to Isabella McKenzie the sum of Ten pounds Stirling to be paid to her by my executors as soon as convenient after my death, also a wool bed and bedding. I also give and bequeath to my executors all my cattle not heretofore disposed of to be by them converted into cash for the payment of the afore mentioned legacies together with the sum of Fifty pounds now in the hands of John McKinnon and allother cash and effects 1 may have at my death not before disposed of and whatsoever may remain after payments of all my last debts, funeral and testamentary expenses and the aforesaid legacies the remainder to be divided between my wife and two daughters Alexandrina and Jessie.

And I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my kind friends JOHN SMITH of Palmers Oaky Creek, County of Roxburgh aforesaid and JOHN McKINNON of Lime Kilns, County of Roxburgh aforesaid to be my executors for carrying this my last Will and Testament into effect, and herby revoking and making void all former or other Wills and Testaments by me at any time heretofore made. I do declare this to be my last Will and Testament in witness hereof I the said Duncan Ferguson the testator have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand this Thirty first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

Signed DUNCAN FERGUSON (Signed by me for the testator in his presence and by his direction. J.McKinnon)

Acknowledged by the Testator Duncan Ferguson as his signature in the presence of us present at the same time who have hereunder subscribed our names as witnesses this thirty first day of January 1860.

HUGH McKAY, KENNETH McKENZIE, DUNCAN McKINNON

On the 5th April 1860 probate of the will was granted to John Smith and John McKinnon .

16-05-1860 Duncan McKinnon and his wife Catherine (nee McMaster) had a son Allan
22-05-1860 Duncan Ferguson (2nd) and Jane (nee Peet) had a daughter Annie.
27-05-1860 Duncan Ferguson (2nd) and Jane (nee Peet) had their daughter Annie baptised by Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where Annie was born as Reedy Flat Palmers Oakey and Duncan's profession as farmer.
16-07-1860 Duncan McKinnon and his wife Catherine (nee McMaster) had their son Allan baptised by Rev Colin Stewart and stated Allan was born at Limekilns and Duncan's profession was farmer
00-00-1860 During the 1860s the Rev. O'Farrell held services on weekdays every 3 months at Palmers Oakey

1861 Bathurst rainfall 29.82 ins.

01-01-1861 Rev. H A Palmer of Sofala wrote to the Bishop of Sydney, he said in part; I have been very reluctantly compelled to give up the Sunday service formerly held monthly at Palmers Oakey."
12-03-1861 Ann Peet (mother of Jane Virginia) died from dysentery at Browns Creek Bathurst.
14-03-1861 Ann Peet buried Bathurst
16-03-1861 Inquest. — On Thursday last the Coroner, Dr. Busby, held an inquest at Brown's Creek, on the body of Ann Peet, aged 56 years. It appears that deceased had been ailing for 10 or 12 days, and on Tuesday finding herself worse Dr. Packard of Pepper's Creek, was sent for, but not being at home, a messenger was dispatched for Dr. Wilkinson, who immediately proceeded to Brown's Creek, but the poor woman had died before he arrived. Dr. Wilkinson's evidence after the post mortem examination went to show that death had resulted from natural causes. Verdict accordingly.
27-07-1861 TO BE LET OR SOLD, A PUBLIC HOUSE and STORE, known as the DIGGER'S HOME at Palmer's Oakey, Turon, doing a good trade. For particulars enquire of Mr. ARMOUR on the premises or of Mr. TAYL0R. The Rising Sun Lime Kilns.
28-08-1861 Duncan & Jane Ferguson had a daughter Mary.
10-11-1861 Duncan & Jane Ferguson had their daughter Mary baptised by Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where Mary was born as Reedy Flat Palmers Oakey and Duncan's profession as Farmer.
16-12-1861 NOTICE to CREDITORS-DIVIDENDS in the undermentioned Insolvent Estates are now PAYABLE at the Office of JOHN MORRIS, Official Assignee, situate at No. 112, Elizabeth-street :
Peter McKinnon, of Palmer's, Oakey Creek, storekeeper, 2s. 0d. in the pound._
23-12-1861 From the Bathurst Free Press. Dep; Lands, Gold Fields Act, Excluded from Conditional Sale. Palmer's or Oakey Creek. The Crown lands within ½ mile of Palmer's or Oakey Creek from it's source downwards to the Southern Boundary of the Turon River Gold Field.
25-12-1861 From the Bathurst Free Press. Reward £2-00. Strayed from Palmers Oakey. Light grey mare, branded MK on near shoulder. One brown mare branded AA on off shoulder, anyone delivering same to Mr D McKinnon or to S Taylor will receive the above reward. signed G Brown.

1862 Bathurst rainfall 16.87 ins.

00-00-1862 Mary P A Kensett born
00-00-1862 James McDonald born
01-01-1862 Post Office opened at West Mitchell (Sunny Corner) postmaster Donald Paterson.
05-02-1862 Peter McKinnon and Janet (nee Ferguson) had a son William Cameron.
26-04-1862 In the estate of Patrick O'Reilly, a special meeting. One debt was proved. SURRENDERS.Thomas Gettens, of Spring Creek, Upper Turon, inn- keeper. Liabilities, £578 19s. 8d. Assets, £1165. Surplus, £586 Os. 4d. Mr. Morris, official assignee.
12-05-1862 George Hodson Post Master at West Mitchell.
04-06-1862 Henry Simpson and his wife Catherine (nee, Brennan) had a son William.
15-06-1862 Forbes gold escort held up.
22-06-1862 Henry Simpson and his wife Catherine (nee Brennan) had their son William baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Palmers Oakey and Henrys profession as Goldminer
22-06-1862 Peter McKinnon and Janet (nee Ferguson) had their son William Cameron baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Palmers Oakey and Peters profession as Farmer
July 10th, 1862 To be Let or Sold, THE PUBLIC HOUSE now in the operation of W.HARVEY Palmer's Oakey. Apply to J. WALFORD, SOFALA.
23-09-1862 Thomas Southall married Jannett(Jessie) Ferguson at Mitchells Creek. Witnesses Duncan Ferguson & George McLeod.
00-00-1862 John Smith married Isabella Ferguson at "Warrie".

During 1861-6 the following took up gold leases under section 7 of the 1861 Goldfields Act

NAME	SITUATION	EXTENT	No.YEARS	
Ah Sun & Party	P.O.	200 yds 5	10	
John Hyde	Upper Turon	200 yds 5	10	
George Crossman	Heaths Hill			
Thomas Aspel	Upper Turon	2 acres	5	10
Geoff Bower				
James Moore				
Robert Lilly	P 0 Creek1 acre	2	5	
Robert Swan &				
3 others	Sheas Pt PO	1 acre	2	5
George Bush &				
3 others	Golden Pt PO	1 acre	1	5

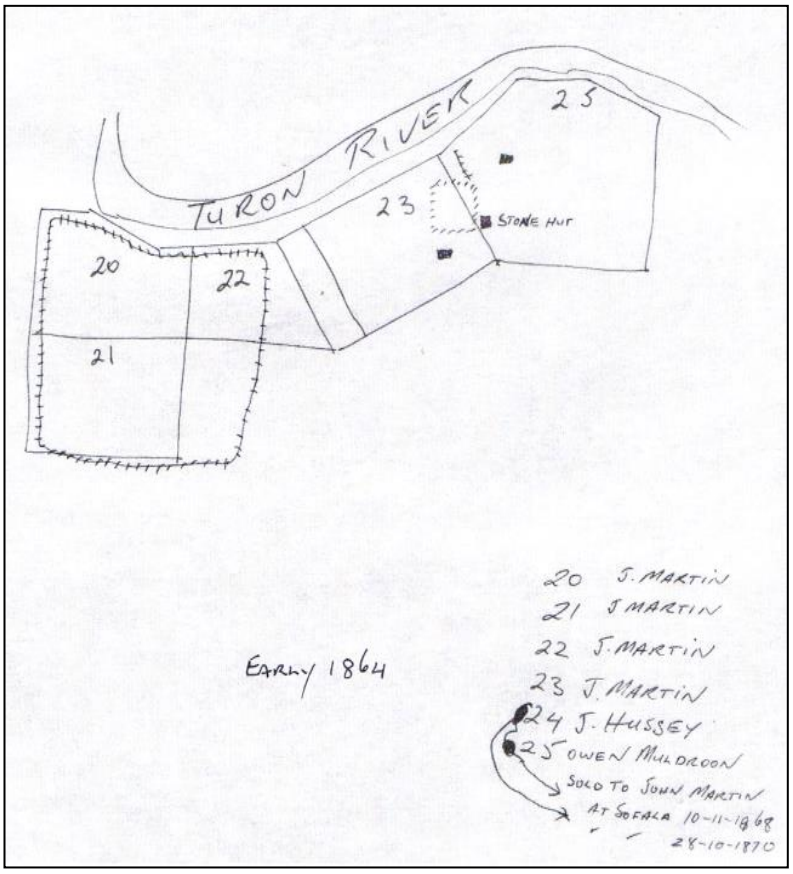
The following gives an insight into what was happening not far from here . This comes from newspapers of the day.
TAMBAROORA
From our Correspondent. The body of a man named Charles FORTESQUE better known as "Little Charley the tailor" has been discovered in an old hole at Tambaroora. The unfortunate man had been drinking and is supposed to have fallen in on his way home on Saturday night. His hat was picked up on Thursday, which excited suspicion; search was made and he was shortly after found in the hole, where he must have been five days. Information has been sent to our Police Magistrate, Joseph COX, Esq., who is absent on official business at Spicer's Diggings and who will, on his return institute enquiries into the matter. It will be the eighth investigation Mr COX has made since July 19th. The following are the particulars of the different parties: July 19 - Joseph HOUSELEY, came out in bond by ship Moffatt, 1836, aged 50. Died from effects of a fall down a shaft 60 feet deep at Bald Hills. July 19- Ah Tim, a Chinaman, working on the Macquarie about 7 miles from Opher Creek. Died from the effects of a bank giving in and covering him.
July 20 - Archibald McDONALD, found dead in his tent near the junction of the Turon and Macquarie, natural causes - inflammation of the lungs. July 22 - A Chinaman (unknown) found dead in his tent about a quarter of a mile from the Commissioner's Camp. Post mortem examination - head gorged with blood; all the necessaries of life in the tent. July 21 - Ah Tui (a Chinaman) brought up from the Macquarie and died the next day of congestion of the brain. July 27 - Ah Karl (a Chinaman) drowned in endeavouring to cross the river Macquarie. July 30 - Jung Pun (a Chinaman) drowned in endeavouring to cross the river Macquarie. There are three other Chinamen who drowned through attempting to cross the river when flooded, whose bodies have not been recovered. One at the junction of the Pyramul with the Macquarie, another near Long Point and the third at the Turon.
Distressing Affair
- One of the most distressing affairs ever recorded was witnessed in the family of a shepherd on Stoney Creek, about four miles from town. It appears the man is shepherding for Mr LUCKIE, at Avisford; his wife, who was a little out of her mind, had strayed into the bush; the man not finding her, reported the circumstance to the police here, and serjeant EWAN and a Mr JACKSON immediately went in search; they cooeed and she answered faintly at a distance; on coming up with her they found her crouched under a gum tree and nearly naked; she was perfectly helpless, and was obliged to be carried to a place of refuge. On arriving at the man's tent poverty and distress met their eyes; three or four children were found nearly naked, the man was equally badly off, having only a coat and trousers, and no shirt. While out shepherding, he carried an infant in his bosom for the purpose of keeping it warm; one of the children who was stopping in the tent, caught fire with what little clothing it had on - it was only a pinafore, but the little fellow had the presence of mind to put it out. In addition to this no food was in the tent. The serjeant, after witnessing the distress, immediately started to town, and reported the state of things, when the inhabitants of Windeyer, in their usual benevolent way contributed in finding food and raiment for the poor family; the woman, I am happy to say, is getting much better, and the man and family are now pretty comfortable. It is only strange that the man, when he found the miserable state his family was in, did not crave some assistance from his employer, Mr LUCKIE, who was only two miles from where the man lived. I have heard of many distressing circumstances, but never did I hear of a case to equal this. July 30th.

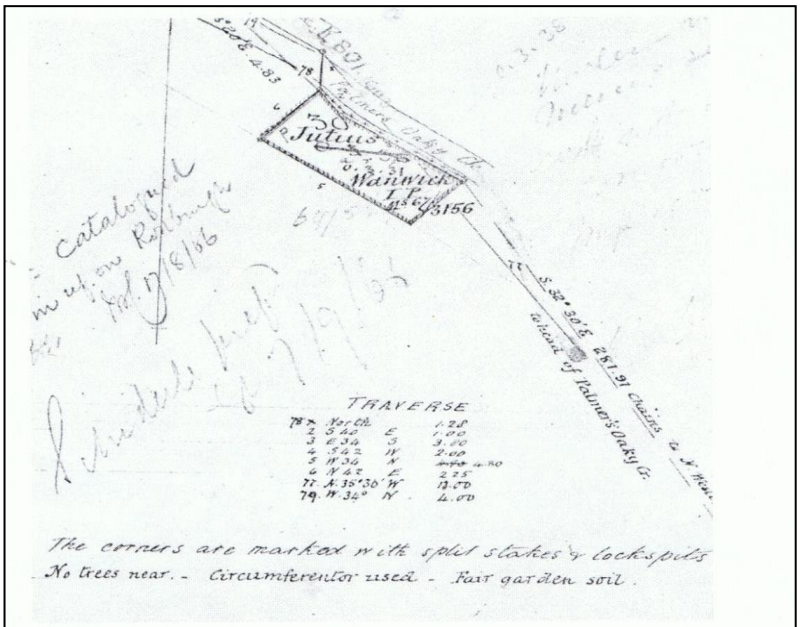
1863 Bathurst rainfall 28.47

00-00-1863	Mary Ann Denton born
00-00-1863	Lucy H Frost born
00-00-1863	Emanuel Lewis born
00-00-1863	Thomas Lynch born
00-00-1863	Sidney Phillips born
31-03-1863	Duncan Ferguson and his wife Jane (nee Peet) had a son Duncan
03-10-1863	Ben Hall & gang rode into Bathurst, called at Pedrottas gun shop. Chased by Police.
06-10-1863	Ben Hall & gang raided shops & hotel on Vale road Bathurst
24-10-1863	Ben Hall & gang held up Dunns Plains station.
10-12-1863	Duncan Ferguson and his wife Jane (nee Peet) had their son Duncan baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Palmers Oakey and Duncan’s profession as Innkeeper

1864 Bathurst rainfall 22.96 ins

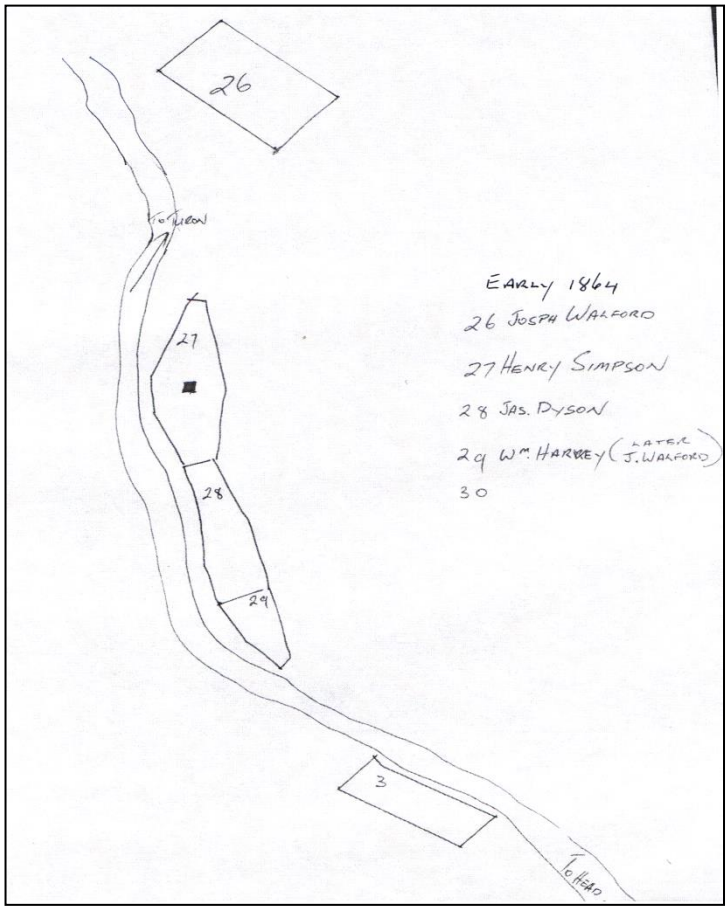
00-00-1864	Richard Henley Jr. born
00-00-1864	George Simpson born
00-00-1864	John Tyrrell Jr. born
00-00-1864	Catherine McDonald born
00-00-1864	Julius Wannick arrived in Australia (born Dantzic Germany)
15-01-1864	Stephen Larkin and his wife Alexina (nee Ferguson) had a son Stephen.
10-05-1864	Ben Hall shot & killed.
20-05-1864	John Tyrrell and his wife Maria (nee Owen) had a son John Snowden.
20-05-1864	At the residence of Mr. P. McKinnon, Palmer's Oakey Creek, Mrs. John TyrrelI, of a son.
01-07-1864	Stephen Larkin and his wife Alexina (nee Ferguson) had their son Stephen baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Jews Creek and Stephens profession as labourer.
01-07-1865	03-07-1864 John Tyrrell and his wife Maria (nee Owen) had their son John Snowden baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Palmers Oakey and Johns profession as Gold Digger.
05-07-1864	Charles Peet Ferguson born
28-10-1864	Portion 17 Turon sold at Sofala to Kenneth McLeod
17-10-1864	James Kessey was charged with robbery under arms, he laving, in company with others, at the Limekilns, on the 20th June last," stopped one Hugh McKinnon, a farmer and grazier, and taken from him one mare, bridle, and saddle, a poncho, a pair of boots, and 7s. 6d. in silver. Mr. Dalley defended the prisoner. Sergeant Lyons having, from information received, made a search of the house of the prisoner's father on the 12th July. He found a poncho under a bed in one of the bedrooms, which was told was the prisoner's bed. The poncho was between the bed and the stretcher. The prisoner was then in custody. I found a pistol locked up in a drawer. Showed the things to the prisoner's father. Thomas Kessey, father of the prisoner, said : I remember the day my house was searched. I was shown the poncho that had been found by the police. I had never seen it before, and don't know how it came there. Hugh McKinnon swore to the poncho found as above described being his. He knew it by a private mark en one of the seams, which he sewed there with his own hands a day or two before the robbery. It was attempted to be shown that the poncho had been purchased for 15s at a mook auction in a public-house, kept by a man named McDonald, but this failed, and the prisoner Was found guilty and sentenced to ten years' hard labour on the roads.

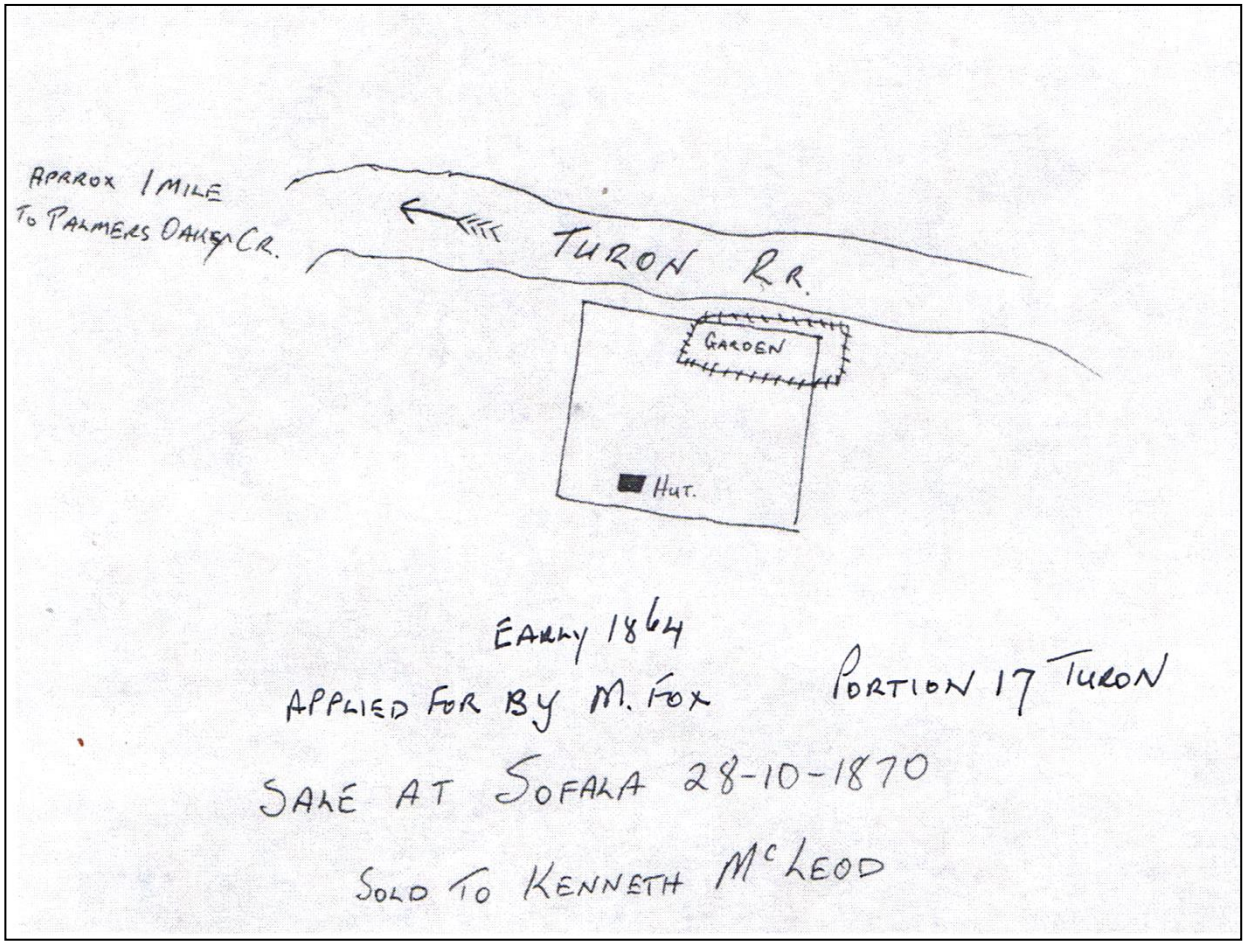


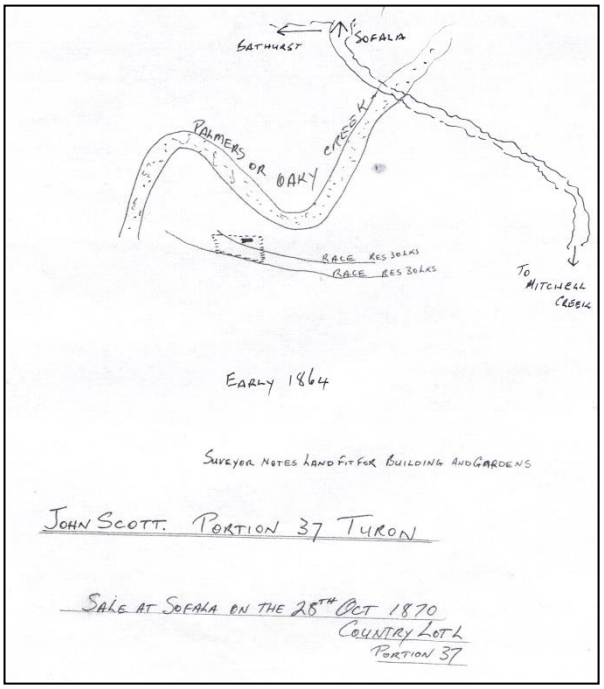


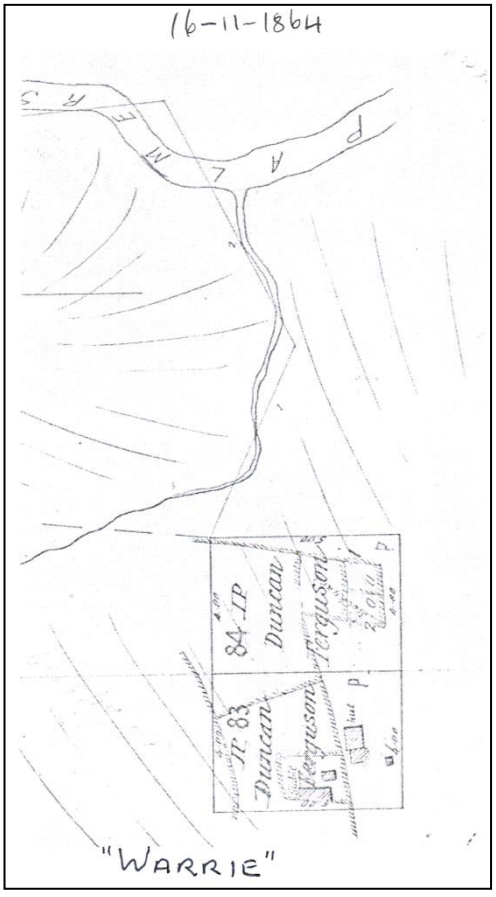
Portion 30 Parish Dulabree Co Roxburgh on Palmers Oakey Creek
Area of 3 roods and 31 perches.
Date 10April 1864

This block is just above the junction of the Palmers Oakey Creek and the Turon River.


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To Turon
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To Head
EARLY 1864
26 JOSEPH WALFORD
27 HENRY SIMPSON
28 JAS. DYSON
29 WM. HARVEY (LATER J. WALFORD)
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APPROX 1 MILE
TO PALMERS OAKEY CR.
TURON R.R.
GARDEN
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EARLY 1864
APPLIED FOR BY M. FOX
PORTION 17 TURON
SALE AT SOFALA 28-10-1870
SOLD TO KENNETH McLEOD





1865 Bathurst rainfall 12.54 ins

00-00-1865 Rose Frost born

00-00-1865 Ellen Lynch born

00-00-1865 William Harvey died at Palmers Oakey

17-01-1865 Thomas Southall and his wife Janet (Jessie) (nee Ferguson) had a son Thomas Duncan

20-01-1865 W W Millett, innkeeper of Palmers Oakey submitted the following petition bearing 117 names;

'To the Representatives of the people in Parliament Assembled".

We the under signed inhabitants of the district of Palmers Oakey are desirous of bringing under the notice of your Honourable House that they labour under great disadvantages and inconvenience from the want of a Post Office- The population of Palmers Oakey numbers upwards of Three hundred souls and they therefore pray that your Honourable House will at once see the necessity of granting their request and your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray"

At the bottom of the petition Millett intimated that he was willing to undertake the duties of Post Master if a Post Office was established.

Postmasters in the vicinity of Palmers Oakey were consulted and it was revealed that correspondence from and to Palmers Oakey was minimal and did not justify the establishment of a Post Office, therefore the petitioner's request was not granted.

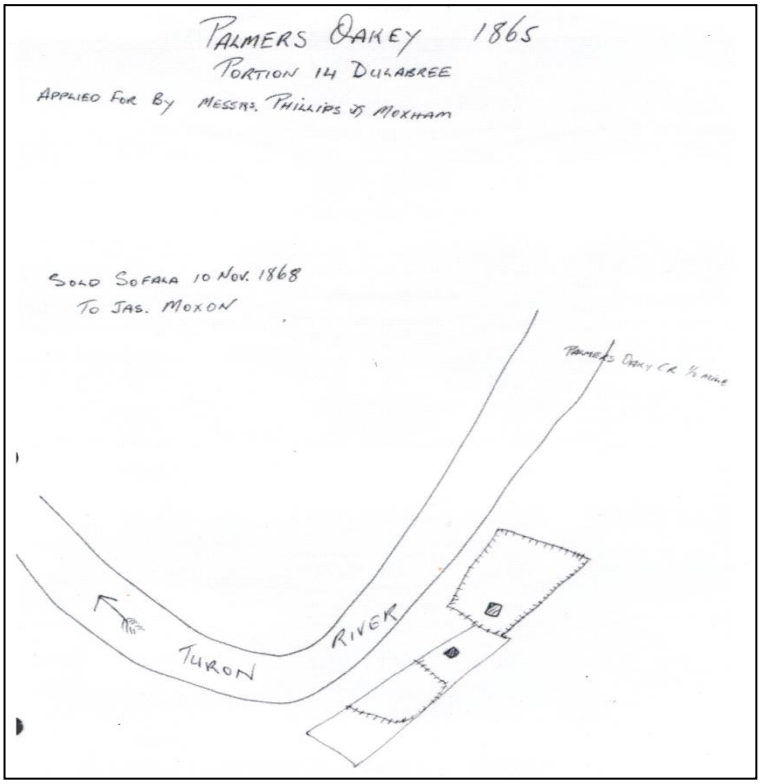
06-08-1865 Duncan McKinnon and his wife Catherine (nee McMaster) had a son Duncan Donald at Limekilns

03-09-1865 John Smith and his wife Isabella (nee Ferguson) had a son Robert McLennon at Rose Hill.

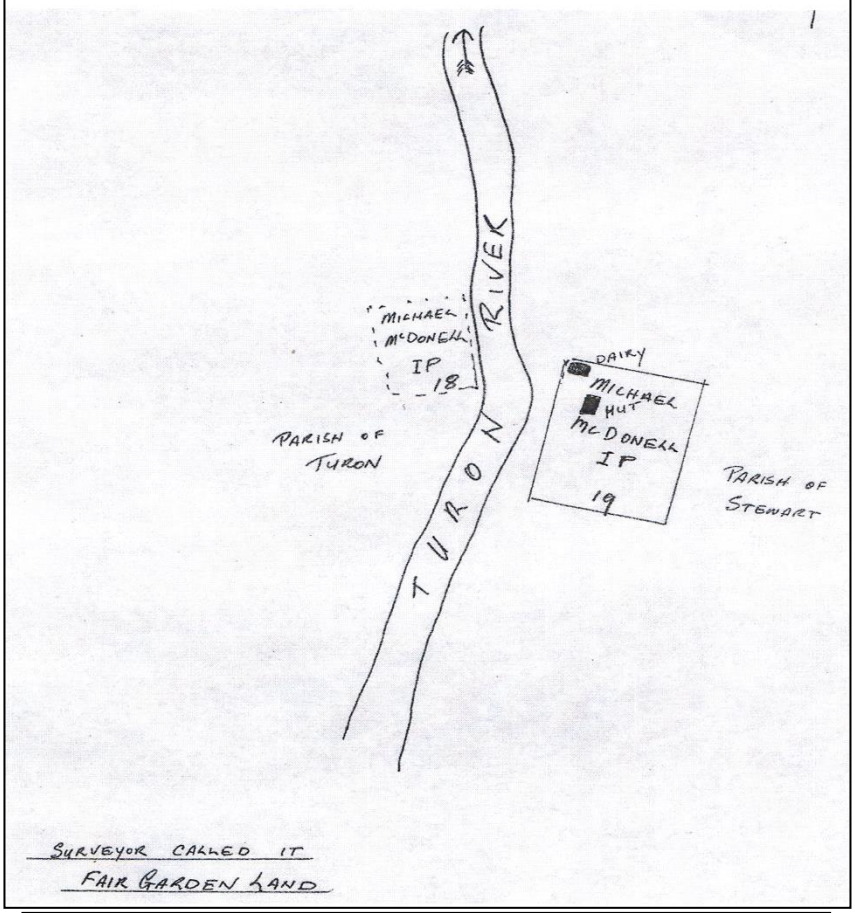
27-09-1865 MORE BUSHRANGING.-On Monday last Mr Millett, formerly of the Turon, now of Palmer's Oakey, was riding into Bathurst and when three or four miles on the Bathurst side of Winburndale, a man suddenly presented himself before him on the road and presenting a pistol called upon him to stand, the sudden appearance of the stranger caused his horse to shy, and Mr Millett, not at all anxious to cultivate acquaintance with the man, immediately rode off. As he rode away the bushranger fired at him and wounded him in the hip Mr Millett rode at once towards tho residence of W. Cummings, Esq , and that gentleman requested Mr. Donnolly to drive Millett to Bathurst in a buggy. On reaching Bathurst Mr Millett proceeded at once to Dr Machattie, who on examining his person discovered that he had been struck with seventeen small shots, several of which the doctor succeeded in extracting Fortunately Mr. Millett had on at the time a thick coat, which prevented the shot from entering very deeply into the flash consequently the wounds were not dangerous Mr. Millett saw a second man in company with the man who shot him The police as soon as they received information made arrangements for proceeding in search of the delinquents, and we hope they will be successful in finding them -Bathurst Free Press,27th September 1865.

ATTEMPTED MURDER BY Two BUSHRANGERS.-On Monday morning last, Mr. Millett, innkeeper of Palmer's Oakey, was attacked by bushrangers, as he was riding into Bathurst with a large sum of money upon his person, wounded, and very narrowly escaped with his life. He had just begun to descend the mountain near Mr. Taylor's,; at the Limekilns, when a man, with his face masked, sprang out from a bush almost under the head of Mr. Millett's horse, and called upon him to bail up. The animal was frightened by the suddenness of the man's appearance, and nearly threw his rider. For the moment. Mr. Millett thought it was on acquaintance who had saluted him by way of a joke; but as he was recovering his seat upon the horse, he was saluted in a similar manner by a man on the opposite side of the road, and saw that the fellow was preparing to cover him with a pistol or gun. Conceiving that his only chance of saving his property was by flight, he whipped his horse, and galloped off at right angles into the bush, so as to place the scrub between him and his assailants. He was not, however, quick enough to escape without injury, for the instant he turned, one of the scoundrels fired upon him, and he received the charge in his back and left side, his coat and body being penetrated with a large number of small shot, some of which passed completely through the flesh near the ribs. He continued his flight, however, and made towards the village of Peel, which he soon reached, and whence Mr. Denis Donnelly brought him in a buggy into Bathurst. His wounds which are happily not of a serious character, occasioned but little inconvenience. They were dressed by Dr. Machattie, and in the course of an hour or two he returned to the scene of the attack, accompanied by a detachment of troopers in quest of the bushrangers, who, we regret to say, are still at large.-Bathurst Times.

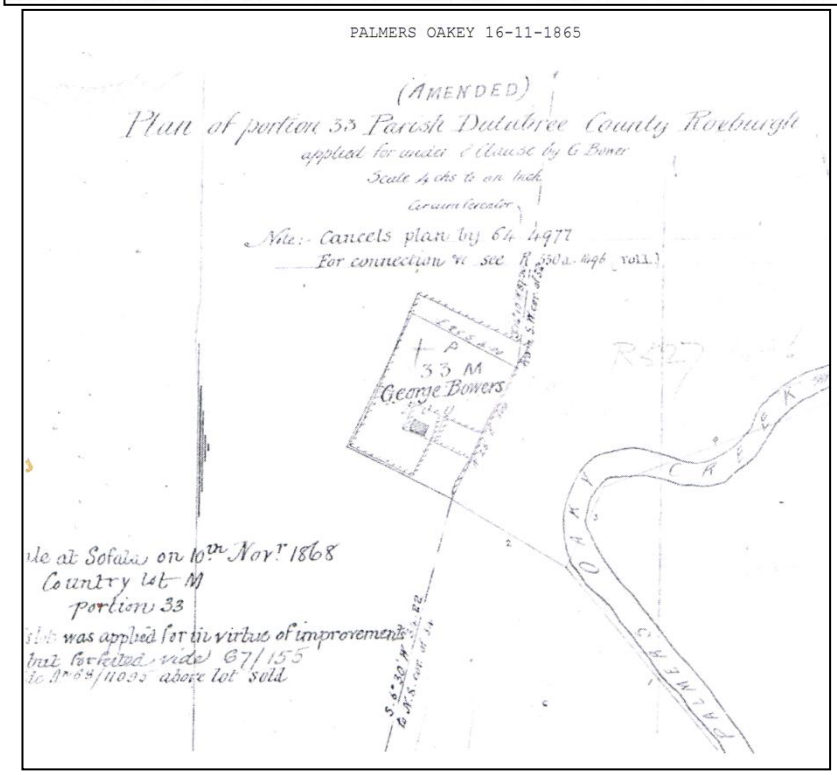
12-11-1865 EFFECTS OF DROUGHT AT LIMEKILHS.-A correspondent of the Bathurst Times, writing from Tobin's Oakey says:- "The cattle out this way are dying in scores. The bush is burnt up whichever way you go. Yesterday, coming home, we had to blindfold the horses and go right through the fires. We only got a little singed and nearly stifled with smoke.



PALMERS OAKEY 5-9-1865



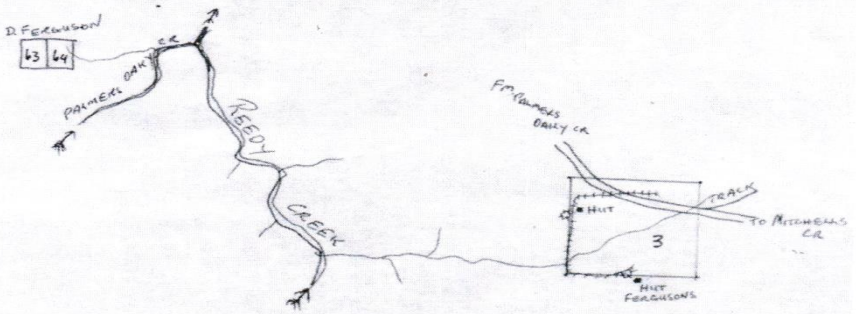
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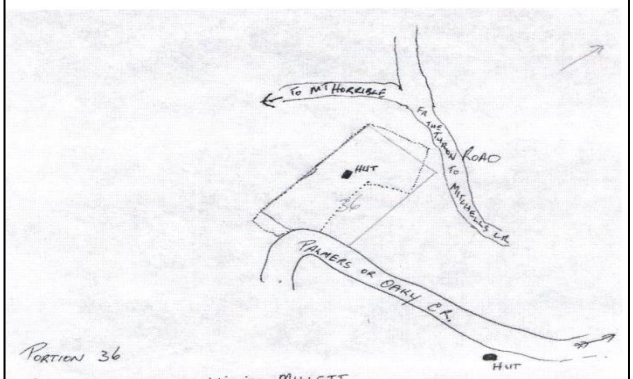
PALMERS OAKEY 1867

PORTION 3 TURON

APPLIED FOR BY JAMES STEEL



PALMERS OAKEY EARLY 1868



PORTION 36

SELECTED BY WALTER WILLIAM MILLETT

APPLIED FOR BY. M. WESTLAKE.

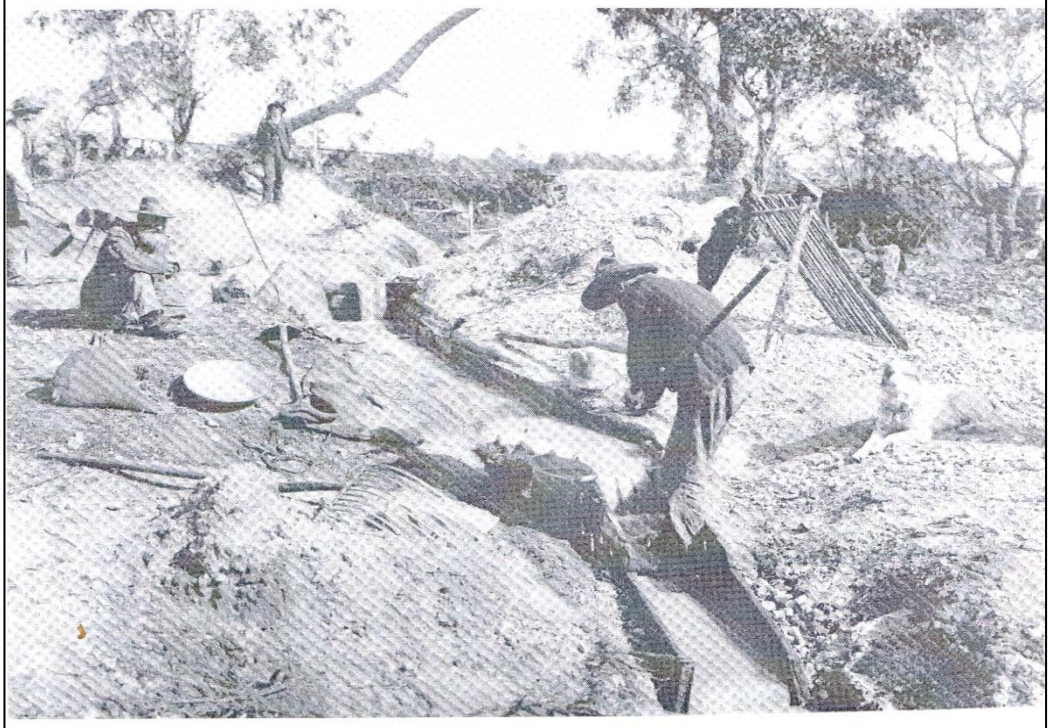
SALE AT SOFALA ON THE 28TH OCT 1870

COUNTRY LOT E

PORTION 36

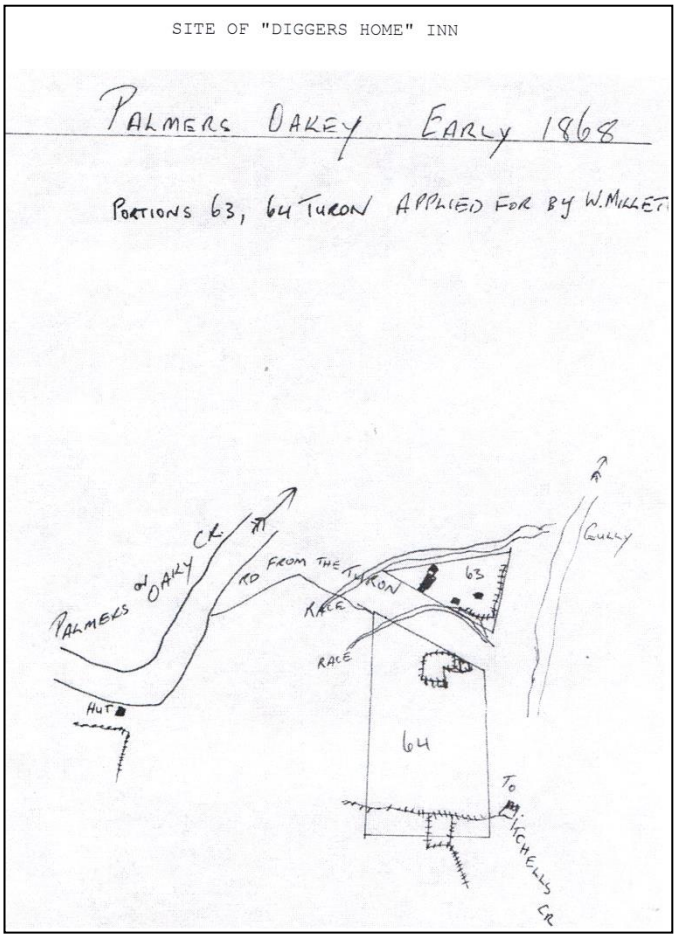
4CHAINS 1 INCH

SLUICE BEING OPERATED . THESE WERE USED A LOT IN THE PALMERS OAKEY AREA



Note fork in foreground, these were used to remove stones

SITE OF "DIGGERS HOME" INN



Now known as "Nebo"

1866 Bathurst rainfall 16.44 ins

00-00-1866 Catherine Denton born

00-00-1866 Catherine Harvey born

00-00-1866 Byrel Henley born

00-00-1866 Jerimah O'Farrell born

00-00-1866 Catherine Harvey (nee Doran) married James Myles at Palmers Oakey.

28-02-1866 Duncan McKinnon and his wife Catherine (nee McMaster) had their son Duncan Donald baptised by Rev Colin Stewart and stated he was born at Limekilns and Duncan's profession was Landholder and Farmer.

07-04-1866 John Smith and his wife Isabella (nee Ferguson) had their son Robert McLennon baptised by Rev Colin Stewart and stated he was born at Rose Hill and John's profession was Landholder.

13-06-1866 John McKinnon and his wife Catherine (nee Ferguson) had a son George Busby at Limekilns.

24-06-1866 Thomas Southall and his wife Janet (Jessie) (nee Ferguson) had their son Thomas Duncan baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Palmers Oakey and Thomas' profession as Labourer.

01-07-1966 George Beiniger of Palmers Oakey wrote to his daughter Henrietta for her 21st birthday. Part of his letter states "It is more the company than the actual desire to drink that a good many of us diggers drink more than we would in town, as you may say hard work and hard drinking are the only enjoyment up here in the bush." Further on; "I am still digging but I do not get a great deal now".

Both he and his wife did not like living at Palmers Oakey but were staying as he was waiting for money to come from home.

1867 Bathurst rainfall no record

00-00-1867 James Myles born

00-00-1867 Michael Frost born

00-00-1867 Francis Lewis born

21-03-1867 John McKinnon and his wife Catherine (nee Ferguson) had their son George Busby baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and they gave the address where the boy was born as Limekilns and Johns profession as Farmer. John and his family came to Aust on the "Boyne" with the Rev Stewart in 1839.

08-04-1867 John Smith and his wife Isabella (nee Ferguson) had a daughter Donaldina Isabella.

24-04-1867 Duncan Ferguson and his wife Jane (nee Peet) had a daughter Williner.

12-07-1867 Robert Blackman and his wife Jane (nee Floggeth) had a son Richard Henry.

00-08-1867 A petition bearing 139 names was sent to the Post Master General re post office at Palmers Oakey it read;

To the Hon. Post Master General.

The humble petition of the undersigned residents at Palmers Oakey Creek, Upper Turon, Dark Corner and adjoining district. Respectfully Sheweth.

That your petitioners beg to bring under your notice the very great want of a Post Office at Palmers Oakey Creek and the great inconvenience they are labouring under in consequence.

That the residents at Palmers Oakey Creek, Upper Turon and the surrounding district are at present obliged to travel to the post offices at Mitchells Creek, Sofala and other remote places for their letters which are a great distance from the habitation of your petitioners, thus causing your petitioners to be absent from their occupations and consequently entailing great loss accordingly.

That your petitioners would beg to point out the rising importance of the district they are residing in, and the population gradually increasing; thus causing the convenience of a Post Office at Palmers Oakey Creek to be greatly desired.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that you will be pleased to take the above circumstances into your consideration and cause a Post Office to be established at Palmers Oakey Creek and your petitioners will ever Pray"-

06-09-1867 As a result of the petition Postal Inspector Moyse visited Palmers Oakey.

14-09-1867 Extract from Inspector Moyses' Report ----"From inquires I made found that a Post Office there was required, and would be a great convenience to a scattered population of 100 to 120 families, who now have to go to Sofala 20 miles, Mitchells Creek 15 miles or to Limekilns 15 miles, the road to the latter office is over Mt Horrible and nearly impracticable for horsemen. The best route for mail to travel would be from Mitchells Creek.

Mr Wm. Millett Storekeeper and Innkeeper of Palmers Oakey Creek would undertake the duties of Postmaster for £12-0-0 a year, he has a separate room he would use as an office, if appointed, he appears to be a respectable man, his wife understands the postal duties".

20-09-1867 From the Gov.Gazette; "Mitchells Creek to Palmers Oakey: Once weekly: by horseback: 15 miles distance: at £35 per annum".

04-10-1867 Duncan Ferguson and his wife Jane (nee Peet) had their daughter Williner baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where she was born as Palmers Oakey and Duncan's profession as Farmer.

1868 Bathurst rainfall 12.47 ins

00-00-1868 Jane Henley born

00-00-1868 K W Kenset born

00-00-1868 Patrick Lynch born

00-00-1868 Margaret McDonald born

00-00-1868 James A Southall born

00-00-1868 Mary Jane Munro born

01-01-1868 Post Office opened at Palmers Oakey. Walter William Millett Postmaster at a salary of £12 per annum. He named his sureties as John McKinnon grazier and Lawrence Kearney an innkeeper both of Limekilns.

01-01-1868 John Scott of Palmers Oakey commenced the mail run from Mitchells Creek for £35 per annum.

03-01-1868 David Dewar Munro married Mary McKinnon at Palmers Oakey Witnessed by Daniel Hopkins and Janet McKinnon. Married by Rev. Colin Stewart

04-01-1868 Henry Theobald gold digger of Palmers Oakey (bachelor) married Eliza Jane Franks of Palmers Oakey (spinster) minister Colin Stewart (Pres) witnesses Peter Theobald & Jane Virginia Ferguson

14-03-1868 Emma Theobald born.

15-03-1868 Robert Blackman and his wife Jane (nee Floggeth) had their son Richard Henry baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Warrie and Roberts profession as Shepherd.

10-05-1868 John Smith and his wife Isabella (nee Ferguson) had their daughter Donaldina Isabella baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Dark Corner and Johns profession as Farmer.
14-09-1868 David Munro and his wife Mary (nee McKinnon) had a son Finlay.
20-09-1868 Thomas Southall and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had a daughter Janet Mary.
04-11-1868 From Bathurst Times; "Impounded at Sofala on the 24th day of Oct. 1868 from Palmers Oakey by Sofala police. Sum due at date of notice 8s 6d, 1 bay horse 1 P near shoulder and hip, near hind feet white, star on forehead, small snip on nose, aged, 14 1/2 hands high. If not released will be sold at this pound at noon on 19-11-68. N. Flynn . Poundkeeper.
20-11-1868 Thomas Southall and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had their daughter Janet Mary baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave her birth place as Palmers Oakey and Thomas' profession as Miner.
20-11-1868 David Munro and his wife Mary (nee McKinnon) had their son Finlay baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where he was born as Palmers Oakey and David's profession as Miner.
11-12-1868 Mr. Millett, publican, of Palmer's Oakey, has erected a public-house on the diggings, and yesterday obtained authority for the removal of his license. He showed us a very fine sample of fifteen ounces of gold which he had brought in for sale ; it is course and nuggety, and very much like the Turon gold generally. The sinking has not exceeded seventeen feet, and is through a sort of soft granite.

1868. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey from Mitchells Creek for 1868 , 3. W W Millett 2. M Westlake 1.

1869 Bathurst Rainfall 25.65 ins.
00.00.1869 William Browning born
00.00.1869 Julianna Kensett born
20-03-1869 Archibald McKinnon and his wife Mary (nee Ferguson) had a daughter Eliza Grace Castle.
08-05-1869 Millett tendered his resignation as Post Master at Palmers Oakey, saying he intended leaving the district.
15-05-1869 Millett recommended T. Southall, a butcher as his successor, Southall having taken over Milletts premises.
17-05-1869 Archibald McKinnon and his wife Mary (nee Ferguson) had their daughter Eliza Grace Castle baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the birth place as Limekilns and Archibalds profession as Farmer.
01-06-1869 Thomas Southall took charge of the Post Office. His sureties were Samuel Taylor Jnr., a farmer of Limekilns and Duncan Ferguson grazier of Palmers Oakey.
09-06-1869 Portion 39 Dulabree (Warrie) granted to Duncan Ferguson 2nd. for £4-10-0
15-06-1869 Stephen Larkin and his wife Alexina (nee Ferguson) had a daughter Emma
08-09-1869 At the Turon, steam power has been employed to raise the water from the river into a reservoir, whence it is fed out by a hose for the purpose of ground-sluicing the whole of the old workings upon Palmer's Oakey. This ground, when originally worked, turned out remarkably rich, and since then it has been worked over two or three times, and, even up to the time of its being leased by the sluicing company was occasionally fossicked over by the Chinese. As there is a good run off for the tailings, the whole will be ground-sluiced. The first day's work was so far profitable that a twelve-ounce nugget was washed out from the refuse, amongst which, it must have been turned over more than once. SMH
21-09-1869 Southall tendered his resignation as Postmaster saying Millett had returned to carry on his business as usual.
01-10-1869 W W Millett reappointed Post Master at Palmers Oakey.
19-11-1869 Stephen Larkin and his wife Alexina (nee Ferguson) had their daughter Emma baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the birthplace as Jews Creek and Stephens profession as Labourer.
30-11-1869 John Smith and Isabella (nee Ferguson) had a son at Dark Corner his name being Willy.
01-12-1869 Samuel Shumack Post Master at Mitchells Creek
15-12-1869 Henry Theobald born.
19-12-1869 John Smith and his wife Isabella (nee Ferguson) had their son Willie baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave his birth place as Dark Corner and Johns profession as Miner.
00-00-1869 Site of Upper Turon school surveyed and on 28-12-1869 plan of same was sent to Surveyor General (2 acres Portion 17 Dulabree).

1869. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 10. W W Millett 5; Thomas Southall 3; John Phillips 2.

1870 Bathurst Rainfall 36.12 ins.
00-00-1870 Walter W Millett was listed as having the Diggers Arms" at Jews Creek for the period 1869-70.
00-00-1870 Catherine O'Farrell born
00-00-1870 Bertha Wannick born
00-00-1870 Mary Southall born
00-00-1870 Finlay Dalrymple Munro born
28-02-1870 Upper Turon School site approved
18-06-1870 John Myles born at Palmers Oakey, nurse was Mrs Phillips
19-12-1870 Ada Elanor Phillips died aged 4 years, buried Palmers Oakey.
00-00-1870 Lucky Hit Reef discovered at Palmers Oakey
00-00-1870 Sofala district produced 12903 oz Gold

1870. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 12 W W Millett PM 4. Ashlan 1. John Scott 3. Ah Lam 1. Duncan Ferguson 1. James Dargville 1.

ELECTORAL ROLL 1870—71

NAME		**AREA**
Allen	Henry	Palmers Oakey
Allison	William	Upper Turon
Archer	David	Dark Corner
Archer	John	Dark Corner
Archer	William	Dark Corner
Archer	James	Warrie
Archer	Thomas	Dark Corner

Baelby	John	Upper Turon	
Banning	John	Cattle Run near Warrie	
Barker	James	Palmers Oakey	
Bellamy	James	Palmers Oakey	
Bowyers	George	Palmers Oakey	
Bowen	James	Palmers Oakey	
Berranger	George	Palmers Oakey	
Brothers	Benjamin	Upper Turon	
Brown	John	Palmers Oakey	
Buckerfield	Francis	Palmers Oakey	
Bush	George	Palmers Oakey	
Cane	John	Upper Turon	
Clarke	Antony	Upper Turon	
Clarkson	George F	Palmers Oakey	
Clifford	Henry	Upper Turon	
Cook	George	Palmers Oakey	
Cooke	William	Upper Turon	
Cropper	Abraham	Upper Turon	
Cronin	James	Upper Turon	
Cronin	Michael	Upper Turon	
Cox	George	Tobins Oakey	
Curran	-------	Palmers Oakey	
Dalton	James	Palmers Oakey	
Dargaville	James	Upper Turon	
Davis	James	Palmers Oakey	
Dawson	George	Dark Corner	
Dunn	Martin	Dark Corner	
Drysdale	John	Upper Turon	
Dives	John	Palmers Oakey	
Dixon	William	Palmers Oakey	
Dwyer	James	Palmers Oakey	
Farley	John	Dark Corner	
Farrell	Edward	Upper Turon	
Ferguson	Duncan	Palmers Oakey	
Ferguson	John	Palmers Oakey	
Fletcher	John	Palmers Oakey	
Franks	Charles F	Palmers Oakey	
Franks	Charles	Palmers Oakey	
Garrett	Edward	Upper Turon	
Gibbs	William	Upper Turon	
Gray	William	Dark Corner	
Hagan	Felix	Upper Turon	
Hagan	Patrick	Upper Turon	
Harris	William	Palmers Oakey	
Henley	Richard	Palmers Oakey	
Hill	James	Palmers Oakey	
Hodgson	George	Warrie	leaseholder
Hopkins	Daniel	Palmers Oakey	
Howard	George	Palmers Oakey	
Howard	Henry	Palmers Oakey	
Humphrey	Edward	Warrie	leaseholder
Hussey	James	Upper Turon	
Johnson	Robert	Fiddler's Gully	
Jones	John	Fiddler's Gully	
Jones	John Jr,	Fiddler's Gully	
Kennedy	Samuel	Upper Turon	
Kerrin	Michael	Palmers Oakey	
Larkins	Stephen	Fiddler's Gully	
Larkins	Thomas	Fiddler's Gully	
Larkins	Henry	Fiddler's Gully	
Larkins	John	Fiddler's Gully	
Larkins	Charles	Fiddler's Gully	
Lewis	William	Upper Turon	
Lewis	Emanuel	Palmers Oakey	
Lilly	Robert	Fiddler's Gully	
Lilly	Robert	Fiddler's Gully	

Lowe	-------	Fiddler's Gully	
Loyd	John	Upper Turon	
Lynch	Thomas	Upper Turon	
McCarthey	John	Palmers Oakey	
McCausland	Alexander	Palmers Oakey	
McDonald	Alexander`	Dark Corner	
McDonald	Michael	Upper Turon	
McDonald	Robert	Dark Corner	
McGee	Archibald	Palmers Oakey	
McIntosh	William	Palmers Oakey	
McIntyre	Alexander	Palmers Oakey	
McKinnon	Hugh	Upper Turon	
McKinnon	Peter	Palmers Oakey	
McKinnon	Duncan	Palmers Oakey	
McKinnon	Ewen	Limekilns	
McKinnon	Archibald	Limekilns	
McKinnon	John	Limekilns	
McLaughlin	Daniel	Palmers Oakey	
McLoughlin	Colin	Dark Corner	
McLeod	Kenneth	Palmers Oakey	
McLeod	George	Palmers Oakey	
McLeod	Donald	Palmers Oakey	
McMahon	Richard	Upper Turon	
Munroe	David	Palmers Oakey	
Moore	James	Dark Corner	
Morris	John	Palmers Oakey	
Moxon	James	Palmers Oakey	
Myles	James	Palmers Oakey	
Parkes	Henry	Warrie	resident
Parr	William	Coolamigal Creek	
Parr	Joseph	Coolamigal Creek	
Peel	George	Upper Turon	
Phillips	John	Upper Turon	
Read	Thomas	Palmers Oakey	
Rennie	David	Dark Corner	
Reynolds	Joseph	Palmers Oakey	
Robson	Adam	Palmers Oakey	
Roddam	George	Palmers Oakey	
Ross	John	Dark Corner	
Ross	John Jr	Dark Corner	
Ryan	John	Upper Turon	
Ryan	John	Warrie	resident
Saint Clare	Alfred	Upper Turon	
Scott	John	Palmers Oakey	
Shervey	James	Upper Turon	
Shervey	David	Upper Turon	
Smith	John	Dark Corner	
Spencer	William	Palmers Oakey	
Stacey	George	Upper Turon	
Stafford	Joseph	Upper Turon	
Stephenson	Henry	Limekilns Swamp near Coolamigal Creek	
Stewart	Frederick	Upper Turon	
Stewart	Reuben	Fiddler's Gully	
Stewart	John	Palmers Oakey	
Stone	Joseph	Upper Turon	
Swift	Isaac	Palmers Oakey	
Tirrell	Henry	Palmers Oakey	
Wannick	Julian	Palmers Oakey	
Westley	Osborne	Upper Turon	
Westley	George William	Upper Turon	
Westlake	Matthew	Palmers Oakey	
White	Peter	Upper Turon	
White	Matthew	Upper Turon	
Whitehare	Thomas H	Upper Turon	
Wild	Frederick	Upper Turon	
Williams John		Upper Turon	
Wright	George	Upper Turon	

Note Spelling as in Electoral Roll

1871 Bathurst Rainfall 22.90 ins.

00-00-1871 Joseph Henley born
00-00-1871 Annie Lewis born
00-00-1871 John O'Farrell born
00-00-1871 Elizabeth McDonald born
00-00-1871 Janet. C. Munro born (never married)
00-00-1871 Julius Wannick married Bridget Fox at Upper Turon
00-00-1871 Kenneth McLeod married Annie Hyde.
21-04-1871 Elizabeth Jane Theobald born
15-08-1871 Upper Turon School dedicated. Deed in favour of "Council of Education Upper Turon School opened the teacher being Wilbraham Liardet
W W Millett held the licence for the "Diggers Arms" hotel at Palmers Oakey
John Scott held the licence for the "Royal Hotel" at Palmers Oakey
05-09-1871 INSOLVENCY PROCEEDINGS.Thomas Southall, of Palmer's Oakey, miner Liabilities, £46 4s Id. Assets, £14 12s. Gd. Mr Sempill, official assignee.
26-11-1871 William Smith born
08-12-1871 At Palmer's Oakey, a team of bullocks, belonging to a man named Archer, were struck dead by lightning. Eight of these animals were then instantaneously killed.

1871. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 13.
W W Millett 3. James Dargaville 2. John Phillips 1. Daniel Hopkins 1. Joseph Browning 1. Thomas Southall 1. Henry Stephens 1. Isac Bainley 1. Chas Tiffery (?) 1.

1872 Bathurst Rainfall 30.61 ins.

00-00-1872 Catherine Kennedy born
00-00-1872 William J Kennedy born
00-00-1872 Minnie McCarthy born m. 1889 James Bradley
00-00-1872 Julius Wannick Jr.born
00-00-1872 Annie Southall born

29-02-1872 THE "WATERWHEEL GOLD-MINING COMPANY (Limited)-" BINGLETREE "-UPPER TURON. 'CAPITAL, £2000, in 4000 SHARES of 10s each.2s. 0d, to be paid on application-calls of Is per share at intervals of three months, if required.
Bankcrs-AUSTRALIAN JOINT STOCK BANK.
Manager-E. N. EMMETT, Grovillo's Rooms.
This Company is formed to sluice for gold from a freehold property of nearly 2000 acres, having a frontage of about one and a-half miles to the far-famed Turon River.
The proprietors of this property have erected a fine 12 horse power iron water wheel, together with an iron cylinder of large dimensions, by which many hundred loads of alluvium can be washed for gold per week. This fine machine was erected under the personal superintendence of Mr. 'E. N. Emmett.
This property, mine, and plant is on to be to, FREE FROM MONEY RENTS, to Mr. E. N. Emmett for one half of the net proceeds from gold, The plant is now in first-rate order.
Mr. E. N. Emmett handed the property over to the Company for a bonus to be paid him half-yearly from profits as may be voted by the shareholders.
The capital of this Company will be used solely for carrying on the operations of the mine. A plan of the water wheel and iron cylinder is at the office of E. N. Emmett for public inspection.
Application for shares to be made to E N. EMMETT, Grovillo's Rooms, where forms and application may be had.
Sydney, May 20,1872,

ROSPECTUS "'FRANK'S REEF" GOLD MINING COMPANY (Limited),
Palmer's Oakey Creek, Turon.
Capital, £8000, in 8000 shares of £1 each,
4000 of which are reserved for the proprietors, and 4000 are offered to the public, as follows, viz :-Two shillings per share on application, five shillings on allotment, and the balance in calls not exceeding one and six pence per month.
The proprietors pledge themselves not to sell any of their shares until a dividend be declared, in which all shareholders will participate equally, irrespective of amount paid up.
This Company is formed for the purpose of developing this rich and promising reef (originally "Three Men's Ground"), which has been amalgamated, by lease of 15 years, land giving a base line of 486 foot, with an area of 7 acres. There are three shafts down 25, 36, and 45 feet respectively, on pay able gold. These shafts are intersected by a tunnel which cut the vein, and affords ample space for extended operations. Crushing's of 60 tons at W. W. Millett's machine (1 mile distant) have taken place, resulting in an average of 4 oz 8 dwls. per ton. There are at present six tons of stone at grass; the works are still progressing, and as no further crushing will take place until the Company be formed, it is proposed to hand over all quartz, with plant, to the said Company. For this, in addition to the heavy outlay incurred, the proprietors claim a sum of £1000, to be paid out of the first subscribed capital, leaving 3000; which it is confidently believed .will far exceed the required outlay of future operations.
It will be for the Company to decide whether they will erect machinery, or avail themselves as heretofore of W. W. Millett's; but the proprietors urge the cutting of a tunnel from the Creek, which will strike the reef at a great depth, where payable result may be fully relied on. This is assumed by the fact the reef is surrounded by rich alluvial gold, for which the Turon has always been famous and also by the appearance of the stone, which is identical with that of "Hawkins Hill."
The following is extracted from the Sydney Empire, May 10:
Palmer's Oakey bids fair to rival some of the richest reefing districts in the colony of New South Wales ..... Frank's Reef is in full work ; Millett and party are getting out excellent stone. Plummer and M'Keny have commenced their tunnel into the claim known as the Little Reef; this claim having been already proved rich, yielding over 6 oz. to the ton. Plummer expects to strike the reef about ninety feet from the surface. Grey, Whiteford, and party, have taken up a lease of four acres, adjoining Little Reef; and McLeod and party have leased ground north of W. W. Millett and party. From there appearances there is every likelihood of fresh discoveries being made on this already well known gold-field. On the alluvial, Hopkins and party have completed their race, and are in full work, with splendid prospects. The gold is

very heavy nuggets-up to 17 dwts. being the usual thing. Mr. W. W. Millett this week purchased nearly £22 worth from them, the result of one week's work.
Applications for shares and further particulars to be made to the undersigned, who has just returned from an inspection of the reef.

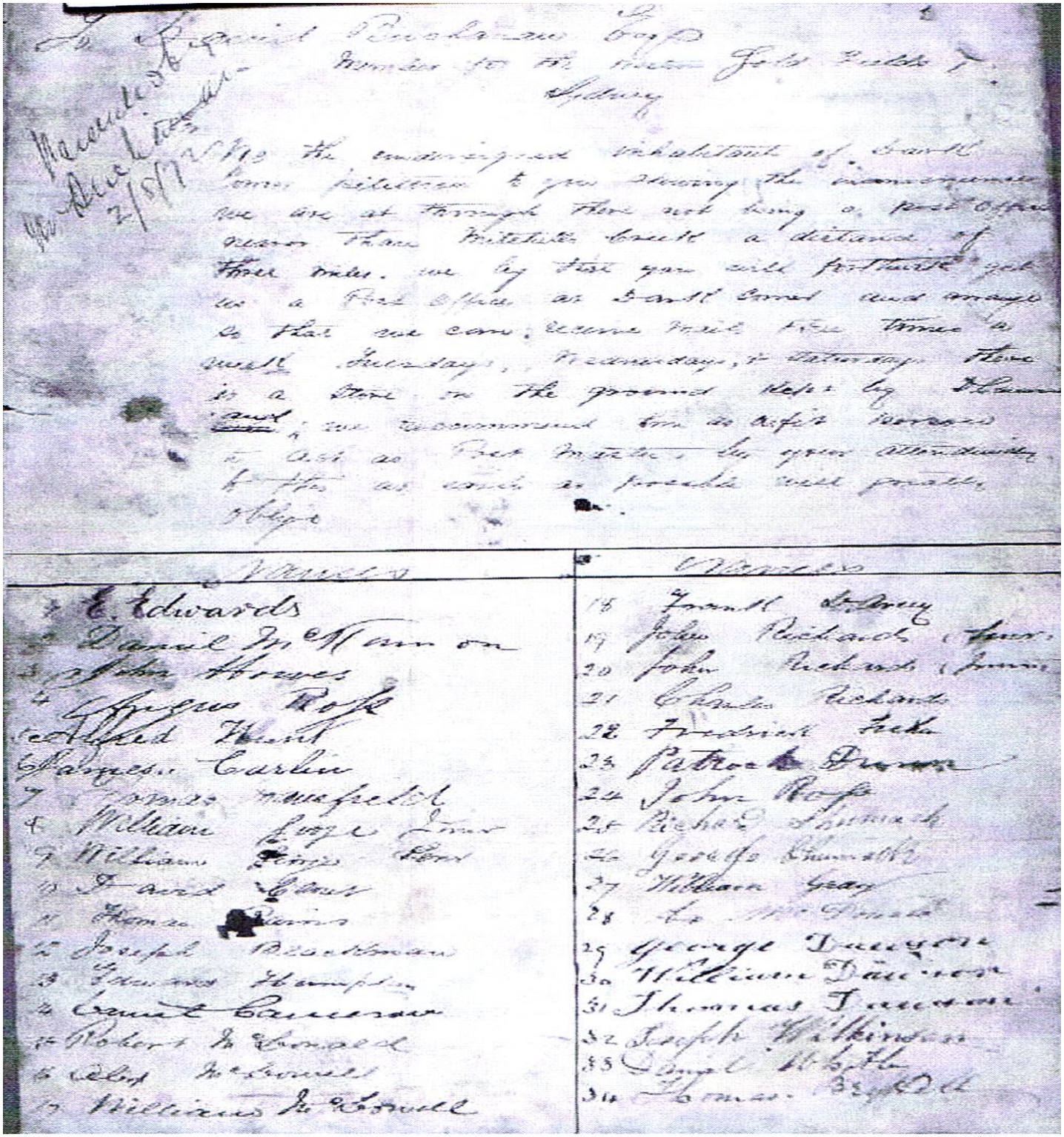
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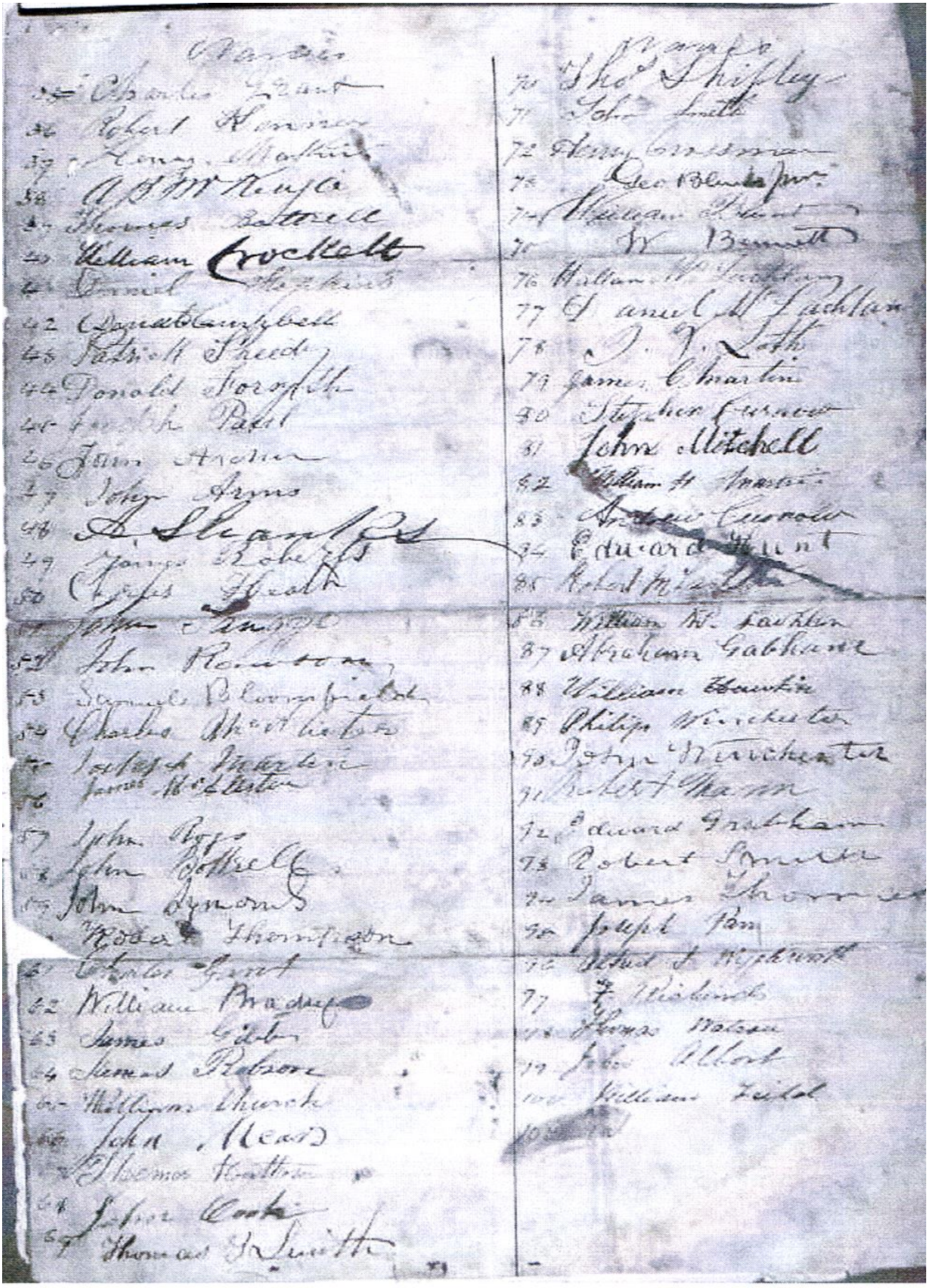
24-04-1872 Catherine Myles (widow of Harvey) (nee Doran) died at Palmers Oakey, buried at Sofala C of E.
07-06-1872 John Ferguson married Susannah Haines at Larkins house Jews Creek
29-07-1872 William Harvey suffocated when earth collapsed on him on the Moonlight goldfield.
31-07-1872 William Harvey buried at Sofala C of E
12-08-1872 Charles Francis Franks married Anne Newton at Palmers Oakey
21-08-1872 ROBBERY OF GOLD.-A miner and gold-buyer, named James Archer, living at Coolamigal Creek, east of Palmer's Oakey (the Bathurst Times observes), sustained a severe loss on Sunday, 11th instant, by the robbery, from his dwelling-house, of a parcel of gold containing thirteen and a half ounces. It appears that Archer left his hut to look after some business, having put the gold under his bed for safety, and upon returning he found that his place had been entered, and the parcel gone. Who the robber was does not seem very clear. Archer states that some Chinamen, who lived about a mile off, informed him that they had seen a brother Celestial in the neighborhood on the evening in question, and they all united in characterizing him as " no good," and as the thief who had stolen the gold ; but all search for this individual has as yet proved unavailing, although four or five different persons were sent out in all directions to look for him. We have since heard that before Archer's return home on the Sunday, the suspected Mongolian had actually been taken in charge by some men at the instance of the other Chinamen, but that he managed to escape before he was searched. About the time that the robbery was committed another of the residents on the creek missed a horse, and it is thought that this animal was also seized by the Chinaman, who is presumed to have gone towards Rylstone or Mudgee. The suspicions entertained against the supposed robber, it seems, are not strong enough to justify the issuing of a warrant for his apprehension, and Archer will not only, therefore, be a considerable loser by the theft, but he will also have to forego the very strong desire which he naturally possesses to bring the man to justice.
05-09-1872 A large block of quartz from the British Lion G. M. Co.'s property, Palmer's Oakey Creek, was brought to our office this morning, and was afterwards exhibited at the Exchange. The stone is thickly impregnated with gold, and after it has been seen by the shareholders will be crushed at the Mint.SMH
07-09-1872 FRANKS-NEWTON-August 12, at Palmer's Oakey, near Sofala, by the Rev. Charles Vaughan, Charles Francis, eldest son of Charles Franks, of Palmer's Oakey, to Anne, youngest daughter of the late David Newton, Esq., of Melbourne.
15-09-1872 Dark Corner Post Office opened
21-03-1972 60Z. NUGGET OF GOLD FOUND.LITHGOW Sunday. A nugget weighing 60oz 4d 2 g. was found by Mr. W. A. Roiut Dark Corner, near a spot where much gold was discovered to former years. It was located in a crevice of rock on West Creek, about a mile below the old Homeward Bound mine.
01-10-1872 Upper Turon Post Office opened post master was Wilbrham Liardet (also 1st school teacher 1871-73) he was recommended by Palmers Oakey Post Master W W Millett.
27-11-1872 John Scott Post Master at Upper Turon. Sureties Julius Wannick storekeeper at Palmers Oakey and John Anderson storekeeper at Palmers Oakey. (In 1868 a John Scott was mailman Mitchells Cr to Palmers Oakey)
17-12-1872 Elizabeth Scott assistant at Upper Turon Post Office.
00-00-1872 Thomas Lynch of Palmers Oakey ran the mail from Sofala to Upper Turon twice a week on horseback at £49-10-00 per year.

1872. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 12.
W W Millett PM 1. Robert Pearson 3. C Franks 1. C Church 1. John Drysdale 1. Julius Wannick 1. K McLeod 1. John Lynch 1. Ah Dun 1. Jas Dalton 1. from Dark Corner 1. Thomas Lynch 1

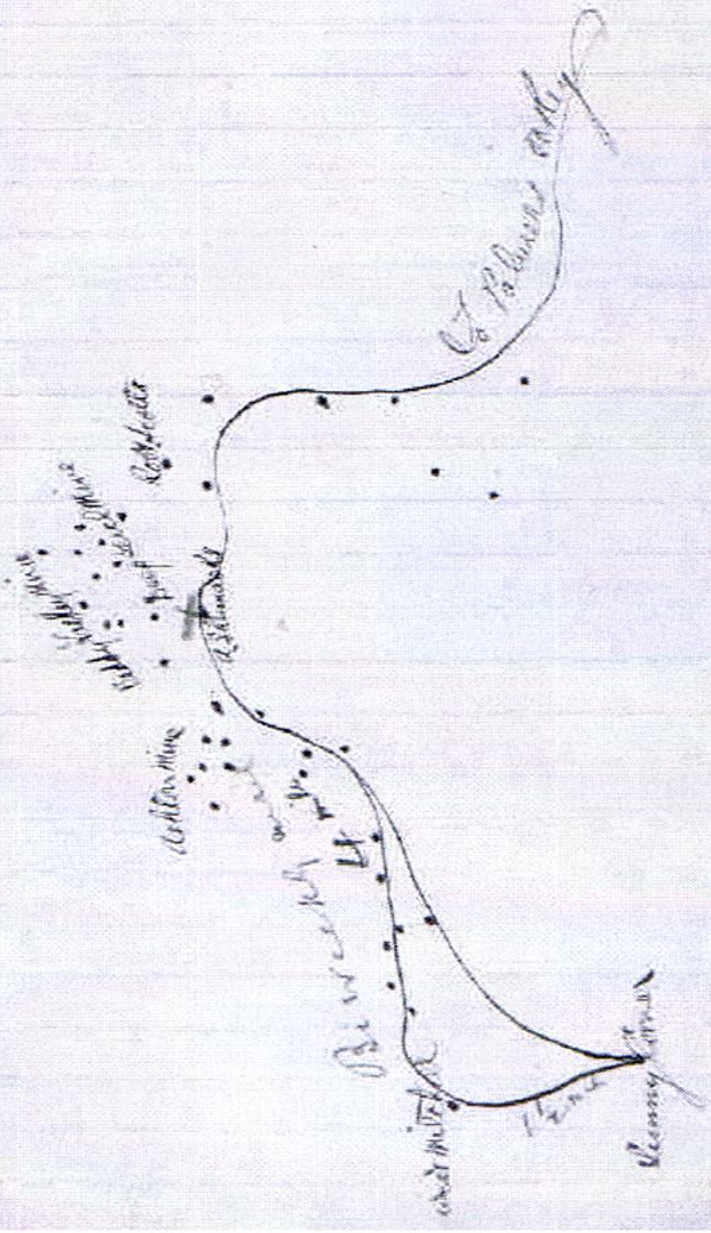
UPPER TURON POST OFFICE.
Site of Upper Turon school surveyed and on 28-12-1869 plan of same was sent to Surveyor General (2 acres Portion 17 Dulabree).
28-02-1870 Upper Turon School site approved. 15-08-1871 Upper Turon School dedicated. Deed in favour of "Council of Education
The establishment of a Post office on the Upper Turon commenced with a petition from residents in that area when in July 1872 when they asked for improvements to the Postal service between the junction of the Palmer's Oakey Creek and the Turon River to Sofala a distance of about 14 miles.
The service asked for was a Post Office and delivery service by horseback. The petition was supported by a letter from John Scott who was later identified as a Publican. A report by the Postal Department showed that as well as farmers there were some 52 miners along the river. These miners would have been searching for gold.
The request was granted and Thomas Lynch was appointed mail man to carry mails between the new Post Office, which was to be called Palmer's Oakey Junction and Sofala.The contract stated, "Thomas Lynch of Palmers Oakey. Sofala to Upper Turon (Junction of Palmers Oakey creek and Turon River), twice a week on horseback at 49 pounds 10 shillings per annum).
Mr. W. E. Liardet, the school teacher at the Upper Turon school was appointed Post Master as from 1.10.1872, on a salary of 10 pounds per annum and he was recommended by the Palmers Oakey Postmaster (W W Millett).
However at about the same time as he was appointed Post Master Mr. Liardet was dismissed from the teaching service. This caused a member of people to write to the Postal Department questioning the appointment and for the Postal Department to seek more information from the Education Council, the employer of school teachers.
The result was that Mr. Liardet resigned as Post Master on 10.10.1872, with the Education Council stating that they would employ another teacher as soon as possible.
The Postal Department did not wait and John Scott was appointed Post Master on 27.11.1872. His sureties were Julius Wannick Storekeeper and John Anderson Storekeeper both of the Upper Turon area.
At the same time the Department questioned the name Palmer's Oakey Junction and decided to call the new Post Office Upper Turon, noting that there was a Post Office called Lower Turon nearer to Sofala.
John Scott wrote a letter of resignation on 8.4.1874 and William Kensett was appointed Post Master Upper Turon on 1.5.1874. His sureties were John Scott Hotelkeeper Sofala and Julius Wannick Storekeeper Upper Turon.
While William Kensett was appointed it was Mrs Kensett who later wrote a letter of resignation, stating that she had been transferred from the Upper Turon school, in her letter of resignation she recommended Mrs. Margaret Phillips for the position of Post Mistress.

This caused a problem for the Postal Department as it was policy not to appoint married women, but to appoint their husband to the position with their wives as assistants. However Mrs Phillips informed the Department that her husband "was of unsound mind" and could not sign any papers. It is not clear how the Department got around this problem but Mrs Phillips was appointed Post Mistress. Her sureties were Duncan Ferguson Palmers Oakey Grazier and George McLeod Palmers Oakey Miner.
On 11.3.1886 Mrs Phillips requested permission to relocate the Post Office to the school as her daughter had just been appointed as teacher. This was done as there was no objection..
After some years Mrs Phillips wrote a resignation letter as she wished to retire and leave the district and recommended Mrs. Mary Hyde as her replacement. The recommendation was followed and Mrs. Mary Hyde was appointed Post Mistress on 28.2.1905 with the Post Office relocated to new premises stated to be on the mail route about 1½ miles nearer Sofala than the previous Post Office.
At about this time the salary went to 11 pounds 10 shillings.
Mrs. Mary Hyde died in September 1906 and her daughter, Bridgie Hyde, was appointed in her place on 27.10.1907.
The following assistants were employed at the office, Elizabeth Scott 17-12-1872. Alfd Francis Kensett 24-04-1874, and Alice Phillips 21-02-1878. As the assistants were not engaged by the Department there are no details available of the dates they commenced duty at the office.
The declaration referred to was one similar to that taken today by postal employees that they will respect the secrecy and confidentiality of any message which may come to their attention in the course of their duties.
When Bridgie Hyde stated that she wished to resign the Postal Department attempted to find someone to take over the Post Office and when they could not the Upper Turon Post Office was closed on 7.7.1910.





This shows between West Mitchell and the junction of the two roads would still be served by the West Mitchell office



Greville's Post Office Directory 1872
PALMER'S OAKEY
Distance 125 miles West of Sydney
Mail closes at General Post Office Friday 4 p.m.
Mail arrives at Post Town Saturday 4.30 p.m.
Mail leaves for Sydney Saturday 8 a.m.
Mail arrives at Sydney Monday 7 a.m.
Route - Rail Rydal, coach Yetholme, 14m

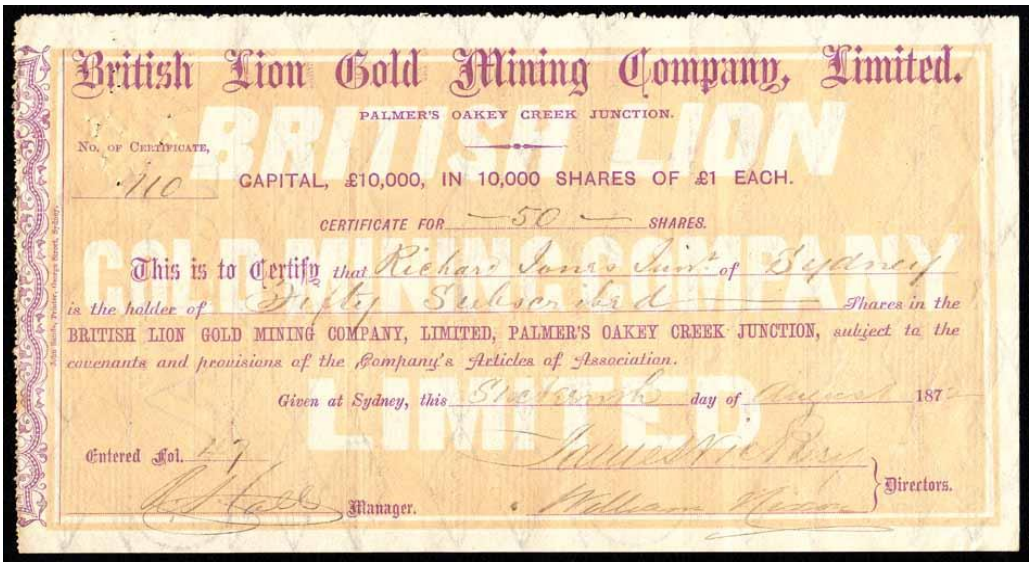
SURNAME	CHRISTIAN	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS
ALLEN	Henry	miner	Turon
ANDERSON	John	bootmaker	Palmer's Oakey
ARCHER	J.	squatter	Warre, Coolamiagel
BANNON	John	shepherd	Palmer's Oakey
BARR	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
BEILBY	William H.	miner	Palmer's Oakey
BERRIEGER	George	miner	Palmer's Oakey
BIRD	George	miner	Coolamiagel
BIRD	John	miner	Coolamiagel
BOWEN	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
BOWERS	George	farmer	Palmer's Oakey
BUCKERSFIELD	Frank	miner	Palmer's Oakey
BUSH	George	squatter	Palmer's Oakey
CARTER	Peter	miner	Palmer's Oakey
CHITTENDEN	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
CLIFFORD	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
COOK	James H.	miner	PalmersOakey
CORNER	Andrew	miner	Palmer's Oakey
CROPPER	Abraham	miner	Turon River
DALTON	James	miner	Palmer’s Oakey
DARCOVILLE	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
DAVIS	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
DIVES	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
DUNKELL	Jacob	miner	Palmer's Oakey
DYSON	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
FARRELL	Edward	miner	Turon
FERGUSON	Duncan	squatter	Palmer's Oakey
FERGUSON	John	squatter	Palmer's Oakey
FRANKS	Charles	squatter	PalmersOakey
FRANKS	Charles jun.	miner	Palmer's Oakey
FRANKS	Thomas T.	miner	Palmer's Oakey
GLIDDEN	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HARVEY	Edwin	stockman	Palmer's Oakey
HARVEY	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HASSFORTH	Conrad	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HEARIN	Michael	squatter	Palmer's Oakey
HILL	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HOPKINS	Daniel	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HOWARD	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HUMPHREY	J.	squatter	Warre, Coolamiagel
HUSSEY	James	farmer	Turon
HYAC	Henry	miner	Turon
JEFFERY	Joseph	miner	Palmer's Oakey
JEFFERY	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
JONES	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
KENNEDY	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
KING	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
LEE	William	carpenter	Palmer's Oakey
LEWIS	Emanuel	carpenter	Palmer's Oakey
LILY	Robert	miner	Fiddler's Gully
LIRTHKE	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
LYNCH	Thomas	miner	Turon
MARTIN	John	farmer	Palmer's Oakey
MERRIS	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MILES	James	blacksmith	Palmer's Oakey
MILLETT	Walter W.	innkeeper	Palmer's Oakey
MOORE	James	miner	Fiddler's Gully
MORRIS	Ewen	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MORTLOCK	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MORTLOCK	Joseph	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MOXON	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MUNROE	David	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCAUSLIN	Alexander	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCCARTHY	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCDONALD	Michael	miner	Turon

MCGEE	Archibald	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCINTOSH	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCINTYRE	Alexander	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCKENZIE	Kenneth	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCKINNON	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCKINNON	Peter	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCLEOD	Kenneth	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCLOUD	George	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCMAHON	Richard	miner	Palmer's Oakey
ORANGE	Philip	miner	Palmer's Oakey
PARR	William	squatter	Coolamiagel
PHILIPS	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
RAMOND	B.	miner	Palmer's Oakey
REYNOLDS	Joseph	miner	Palmer's Oakey
ROADENN	George	miner	Palmer's Oakey
ROBINSON	Andrew	miner	Palmer's Oakey
RUEBEN	Frederick	miner	Fiddler's Gully
SCOTT	John	storekeeper	Palmer's Oakey
SHAW	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
SHERIDAN	Charles	miner	Coolamiagel
SIMSON	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
SOUTHALL	Thomas	miner	Palmer's Oakey
STEEL	George	farmer	Palmer's Oakey
STEEL	James	farmer	Palmer's Oakey
STEPHENS	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
STEVENSON	Henry	settler	Limekiln Swamp
SULLIVAN	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
THEOBALD	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
THEOBALD	Peter	miner	Palmer's Oakey
TRANTA	William	surgeon	Palmer's Oakey
TYRELL	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
VOGIS	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
WARNECK	Julius	storekeeper	Palmer's Oakey
WESTLAKE	Matthew	miner	Palmer's Oakey
WHITE	Peter	miner	Palmer's Oakey
WIGLESWORTH	John	shepherd	Palmer's Oakey
WILLIAMSON	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
WRIGHT	George H.	miner	Palmer's Oakey

1872 QUARTZ MINING LEASES.

DATE	NAME	AREA	ACRES.
04-06-1872	Angus McKenzie	Dark Corner	4
20-06-1872	Mankin, Brady & Co	Dark Corner	5
10-05-1872	Wannick & Myles	Upper Turon	4
13-05-1872	Sullivan McLeod & Co	Upper Turon	2
05-06-1872	Mears & Hutton	Dark Corner	5
30-05-1872	Vickery & Jones	Upper Turon	5
01-06-1872	Partridge & Crow	McKinnons Oakey	10
31-05-1872	Millett, Whitford & Co	Palmers Oakey	2
04-06-1872	Scott, Cook & Co	Upper Turon	3
15-06-1872	Wilde, Stephens & Co	Tobins Oakey	8
15-06-1872	Wilde, Stephens & Co	Tobins Oakey	4
15-06-1872	Wilde, Stephens & Co	Tobins Oakey	8
13-06-1872	R Foster	Palmers Oakey	5
14-06-1872	McLeod, Lynch & Co	Palmers Oakey	8
18-06-1872	Vickery & Jones	Upper Turon	5
17-06-1872	Wannick, Curran & Co	Tobins Oakey	4
18-06-1872	McKenzie & Foster	Palmers Oakey	4
19-06-1872	Davis, Wyatt & Co	Tobins Oakey	4
13-06-1872	T Gettens	Upper Turon	6
17-06-1872	J Gettens	Upper Turon	4
15-06-1872	Jones, Ahearn & Co	Tobins Oakey	4
18-06-1872	J Gettens	Tobins Oakey	4
15-06-1872	Moxon, Tyrell & Co	Palmers Oakey	6
02-07-1872	Thomas Gettens	Tobins Oakey	6
23-09-1872	A. B. McKenzie	Upper Turon	8
16-08-1872	Martin & Co	Upper Turon	4
17-08-1872	O'Farrell & Co	Upper Turon	8
09-09-1872	McLeod, Mittell & Co	Upper Turon	4
21-09-1872	Theobald, Franks & Co	Tobins Oakey	4
23-09-1872	Gettens & Raphael	Tobins Oakey	4
26-09-1872	Davis, Walker & Co	Tobins Oakey	4
23-09-1872	Gettens, Voges & Co	Tobins Oakey	4
14-11-1872	Curnow & Loth	Dark Corner	1
22-05-1872	Blunt & Blunt	Dark Corner	10

12-06-1872	Brown, Winters & Co	Dark Corner	10
31-05-1872	Morgan, Martin & Co	Upper Turon	8
14-08-1872	Cameron, McKenzie & Co	Dark Corner	3 yards
02-09-1872	A & W McDowell	Dark Corner	3
05-09-1872	Roseby & O'Reilley	Dark Corner	6
09-09-1872	Brown, Winters & Co	Dark Corner	60
19-06-1872	Ahearn, Jackson & Co	Tobins Oakey	5
17-09-1872	D Campbell	Dark Corner	3
18-09-1872	Tangie, Pawl & Co	Dark Corner	5
26-09-1872	Fletcher & Isaacs	Dark Corner	1
30-09-1872	G & W Blunt	Dark Corner	3
14-10-1872	Shute & Mankin	Dark Corner	5
23-09-1872	Theobald & Franks	Tobins Oakey	4
13-11-1872	J V Loth	Dark Corner	5
03-12-1872	Wilde, Clifford & Co	Tobins Oakey	


British Lion Gold Mining Company, Limited.

PALMER'S OAKEY CREEK JUNCTION.

No. of Certificate, 110

CAPITAL, £10,000, IN 10,000 SHARES OF £1 EACH.

CERTIFICATE FOR 50 SHARES.

This is to Certify that Richard Jones Junr of Sydney is the holder of Fifty Subscribers Shares in the BRITISH LION GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, PALMER'S OAKEY CREEK JUNCTION, subject to the covenants and provisions of the Company's Articles of Association.

Given at Sydney, this Fifteenth day of August 187

Entered Fol. 27

Manager.

Directors.

1873 Bathurst Rainfall 26.50 ins.

00-00-1873	Annie M Munro born (never married)
00-00-1873	William Henley born
00-00-1873	Mary Harvey born
25-01-1873	Peter Theobald born
08-04-1873	Bridget Murdina McLeod born daughter of Kenneth and Annie (nee Hyde) McLeod
15-04-1873	Sad and Fatal Accident.-John M'Kay, a young man about eighteen years of age, son of the late John M'Kay, wheelwright, of Bathurst, was killed at Dark Corner, on Saturday. It appears that he was running the mail from Palmer's Oakey to Dark Corner, and on arriving there, was obliged to borrow a horse from Lawler, the publican. The horse was young and restless, and threw him shortly after getting on. He lived a short while, but never spoke. Great sympathy is felt for his family, especially his aged mother, who went out on Sunday evening to see the corpse of her son.-Bathurst Western Independent,
14-07-1873	Palmers Oakey Cemetery dedicated.

C of E	2 acres	2 roods	00 Perches
General	2	2	00
R. C.	1	2	00
Presb;		2	10
Wesleyan		1	15
Indep.			10
Jewish			05
	7	2	00

All known graves are in the C of E portion. Some early graves are 200 m to the west (see 1872 map). Some Chinamen were buried outside the eastern boundary, later removed, dates and destination not known.

William Kensett appointed School Teacher at Upper Turon, in place of Wilbraham Liardet. Liardet went to Limestone Flat School (near Cudgegong) and became the first teacher there on the 01-07-1873 being transferred seven months later. 1878 saw Liardet appointed as teacher at Ilford Public School, however his brutality and abuse to the pupils caused a stream of complaints, leading to a trial in the Supreme Court in Sydney. Liardet also faced charges laid against him by Constable O'Brien following an argument about the irregular hours and Constable Ferris laid a complaint against the excessive fees charged (1 s. per week per pupil).

03-11-1873	Mitchell's Creek and Palmer's Oakey, twice a week Robert C. Scott, horseback, 3 years, £30 per annum..
03-11-1873	Sofala and Upper Turon, twice a week-Edward.Phillips horseback, 1 year, £39 5s.

1873. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 7.

W W Millett PM 1. D Hopkins 1. Thomas Southall 1. Ah Hobb 1. George McLeod 1. Mrs A Gauthorpe 2.

Registered letters to Upper Turon Post Office from Sofala 18;. Nov. 9. Dec. 9.

1874 Bathurst Rainfall 26.53 ins.

10-02-1874 Amy Lydia Elbourn (nee Jones) born.

17-02-1874 William James (Jack) Wilkinson born at Tara near Sofala

31-03-1874 In the Supreme Court of New; South Wales. Sheriffs Office 31st March, 1874.
WANNICK V. THE BRITISH LION GOLD MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).
ON THURSDAY the ninth day of April next, at twelve o'clock at noon, unless the writ of ft. fa. herein . be. previously satisfied. THE SHERRIF will cause to be sold by public auction, All the right, Title, and interest of the above company, , of, In, and to their claim, situate at Palmer's Oakey, Upper Turon, near' Sofala. One eight-home power steam engine, crushing machine, 5 stampers in the boxes copper tables, and valves complete . Pump, in connection with engine, 3 retorts 1 vice, truck, grindstone, wooden tank, old iron, 3 bottles of quicksilver, blacksmiths bellows and tools, anvil, screwing tackle, 13 bars of iron, bellows, carpenters tools, tube, buckets, etc. TEMPLE NATHAM Under Sherriff.

24-04-1874 Alfd,.Francis.Kensett appointed assistant at Upper Turon post office

01-05-1874 William Kensett (school teacher) was appointed postmaster at Upper Turon, his sureties were; John Scott hotel keeper Sofala (a John Scott was postmaster) and Julius Wannick storekeeper Upper Turon.

02-05-1874 BATHURST.FRIDAY. At the Circuit Court, to-day, Martin Dunn, arraigned for horse-stealing at Dark Corner, was found guilty of unlawfully using ;

05-05-1874 [Herald]-At the Circuit Court, to-day, Martin Dunn, arraigned for horse-stealing at Dark Corner, was found guilty of unlawfully using

05-06-1874 Duncan Ferguson 2nd mortgaged Warrie to James Fitzpatrick a storekeeper of Bathurst.

29-06-1874 Albert Joseph Theobald born

00-00-1874 Ellen Southall born

00-00-1874 Peter Archibald Munro born

01-08-1874 Palmers Oakey School opened teacher Sarah Blackman. Prior to her appointment Sarah had been employed by Mr Mrs Jon Hughes. from Ginkin near Oberon as a private governess.

00-00-1874 New road built from Sofala to Palmers Oakey.

30-10-1874 Sofala und Upper Turon (junction of Palmer's Oakey Creek with the Turon River), twice a week-(Michael McDonnell, horseback, 3 years, £29 10s per annum

04-12-1874 SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT OF SNAKE-BITE - On Thursday, November 26th (says the Bathurst Times), a miner named Howard Farrell, employed in the sluicing claims of Messrs. McLeod, at Moonlight, Upper Turon, was severely bitten by a lead-colored snake. Farrell, at the time was working by himself in the sluice, and whilst in the act of lifting a stone he was seized on the finger by the snake. The reptile hung on to the man's finger for some seconds, and when shaken off, the punctures left by the fangs bled freely. Messrs. McLeod rendered immediate assistance, whilst Mr. G. McLeod galloped off to Sofala a distance of 11 miles, for Dr. Hinton. Before his arrival Mr. K. McLeod cut out a piece out of the wounded finger, applied a ligature, and sucked the wound; and brandy was freely given to the patient. On the arrival of Dr. Hinton, he found Farrell showing the usual symptoms of having been bitten by a venomous snake. The doctor administered the proper remedies, and left his patient , almost recovered.

00-00-1874 Dark Corner post office closed

1874. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 4.

W W Millett 2. Thomas Southall 1. Mrs Gauthorpe 1.

Registered letters to Upper Turon Post Office from Sofala 17.

Jan. 9. Feb. 8.00-00-1874 Part of Upper Turon post office book shows letters sent to:- Mr.H.W.Foster,168 Pitt St.,Sydney. Mrs.D.Martin, Sofala. Miss. ?.Freel, Potts Point, Sydney

1875 Bathurst Rainfall 22.05 ins.

01-02-1875 Duncan Ferguson 2nd again mortgaged "Warrie" to James Fitzpatrick a storekeeper of Bathurst.

00-00-1875 William John Wilkinson born

15-04-1875 Kenneth McLeod postmaster in place of W W Millett at Palmers Oakey.

00-10-1875 Thomas Southall took Robert Bennett to Court as Bennett had intended cutting a race through Southall's claim. Bennett was ordered to flume his race over Southall's claim.

1875. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 7.

W W Millett PM 1 Mrs A Franks 1. Tug Sam 1. K McLeod 2, D Ferguson 1. Peter McKinnon 1.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee,	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-date	Reason for Leaving
39	25-1-75	Catherine O'Farrell	5	RC	/6	Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Farmer	lst- 1/75	4-4-76 Scarlet Fever
40	22-2-75	Catherine Harvey	9	EC	/6	James Myles	Palmers Oakey	Blacksmith	2nd-2/75	30-4-75. Gone to Ilford
41	28-6-75	Charlott Moxen	12	CE	1/-	James Moxen	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd 7/75	20-8-76. Wanted at Home
42	7-12-75	Catherine Kennedy	3	RC	/6	William Kennedy	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 7/75	3-4-76, died of fever.
43	13-7-75	Frances Lewis	8	CE	/6	Manuel Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Miner	lst 7/75	24-3-76, scarlet fever
44	7-12-75	Frances Frost	14	CE	Free	George Frost	Palmers Oakey	Labourer	2nd-7/75	4-4- 76
45	7-12-75	Lucy H Frost	12	CE	Free	George Frost	Palmers Oakey	Labourer	2nd-7/75	4-4-76
46	18-10-75	Alice Phillips	15	CE	/9	Edward Phillips	Palmers Oakey	?? maker	3rd-1 /75	22-3-76, Wanted at Home
47	17-1- 76	Mary Lynch		RC	/6	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd 1/76	13.3.76, Wanted at home.

PALMERS OAKEY POST OFFICE 1875/76.

[from Greville's Official Post Office Directory]

A mining settlement in the Police district of Bathurst, electorate of East Macquarie, county Roxbrough, is 125 miles west from Sydney.
Route. Rail to Rydal, thence via Mitchell's Creek.
Office. Post only.
Mails close at G P O on Monday & Friday at 4pm and arrive at post town on Tuesday & Saturday at 4pm: leave for Sydney on Saturday & Tuesday at 8am and arrive on Monday & Wednesday at 7.20am.

Anderson John bootmaker, Archer J squatter Warrie Coolamiagel,

Bannon John shepherd, Bannon William shepherd, Barr John miner, Beilby William H miner, Berrieger George miner, Belperrond Redmond miner, Bowen William miner, Bowers George farmer, Buckerfield Frank miner, Bush George squatter

Carter Peter miner Mitchell ck, Chittenden William miner Spring ck, Chittenden William miner, Clifford Henry miner Spring ck, Cook William miner, Clyne Alexander sen miner, Clyne Alexander jnr miner,

Drysdale John miner, Darcoville James miner, Davis James miner, Dives James miner, Dunkell Jacob miner, Dyson James miner,

O'Farrell Edward miner Turon, Ferguson Duncan squatter, Ferguson John squatter, Franks Charles squatter, Franks Charles jr miner, Franks Thomas miner, Fox John miner,

Glidden John miner/

Harvey Edwin stockman, Harvey William miner, Hearin Michael squatter, Hill james miner, Hopkins Daniel miner, Humphrey J squatter Coolamiagel, Hussey James farmer Turon, Hyae Henry miner Turon,

Jones John miner, Jones Nelson miner,

Kennedy William miner, King William miner,

Lewis Emanuel carpenter, Lynch Thomas miner Turon,

Martin John farmer, Miles James blacksmith, Morris Ewen miner, Moxon James miner, Munroe David miner, McCarthy John miner, McDonald Michael miner Turon, McGee Archibald miner, McIntosh William miner, McIntyre Alexander miner, McKinnon Peter miner, McKinnon Peter jr miner, McKinnon Archer miner, McKinnon John miner, McKeown William miner, McLeod Kenneth storekeeper, McLeod George miner,

Orange Phillip miner,

Parr William squatter Coolamiagel, Phillips William miner,

Ramond B miner, Reynolds Joseph miner, Ryan John shepherd, Renben Frederick miner Fiddlers Creek,

Shaw Henry miner, Simson Henry miner, Steel George farmer, Steel James farmer, Stassforth Conrad miner, Shedy Thomas shepherd, Stevenson Henry settler Limekilns Swamp, Sullivan John miner,

Tyrrell John miner. Theobald Henry miner, Theobald Peter miner,

Wannick Julius miner, Westlake Matthew miner, Wiglesworth John shepherd, Williamson John miner.

UPPER TURON POST OFFICE 1875/76
[from Greville's Official Post Office Directory].
A township in the Police District & electorate of Bathurst, County of Roxburgh, is 184 miles west of Sydney.
Route, Rail to Bathurst, thence from Sofala 28 miles.
Office Post Only.
Mails close at GPO on Tuesday & Friday at 4pm, & arrive at Post Town via Sofala on Wednesday & Saturday at 3pm, leave for Sydney on Saturday & Wednesday at 7am and arrive on Monday & Thursday at 7-20am.
A mining township, district on the Turon River.

Ah Gee Miner, Ah Hong miner, Ah Man miner Ah Tie storekeeper, Ah Sun miner

Browning William miner, Buckerfield Francis miner, Belperroud Redmond miner, Bush George miner,

Edmondson James miner,

Flecther Fred miner Running Stream, Franks John Thomas miner Tobins Oakey, Franks Charles squatter,
Franks Charles F storekeeper, Fox John miner, Frost George miner,

Gettens Thomas blacksmith, Gettens Thomas James blacksmith,

Hyde Frank bootmaker, Harris Thomas miner, Hagen Felix miner, Henley Richard miner, Harvey Edwin miner,

Kennedy William miner, Kennedy William B miner, Kensett William teacher,

Lynch Thomas miner, Lewis Emanuel miner,

Macintosh William miner, Martin John farmer, Martin Lawerence farmer, Moxon James miner, Mc Intyre miner, McDonnell Michael miner,

Orange Philip miner, O'Farrell Edward miner, Oliver David farmer,

Pringle Joseph squatter Basin Creek, Phillips William miner,

Reynolds Joseph miner,

Simpson William miner, Simpson Henry miner, Spencer William miner, Smith George squatter Basin Creek,

Tacke William miner, Theobald Henry miner, Theobald Peter miner Tobins Oakey, Tyrrell John miner,

Williams John miner, Wannick Julius storekeeper, Wilde Frederick mine

1876 Bathurst Rainfall 20.52 ins

00-00-1876	Florence Lewis born
00-00-1876	Margaret Mary Kathleen McCarthy born m. 1901 John Hemsworth
00-00-1876	Sydney Scott born
24-06-1876	John Albert Theobald born
00-00-1876	Ernest Southall born
21-07-1876	Alice Ferguson born daughter of Duncan & Jane
18-09-1876	Henry Alexander (Alex) Thompson born at Bathurst.
19-10-1876	Mail delivery Mitchell's Creek and Palmer's Oakey, twice a week Duncan Ferguson, 3 years, horseback, £30 /a

1876. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 5.
C Franks 2. Alex Clyne 1. K McLeod 1. D Ferguson 1.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

BOYS

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Rel	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-date	Reason for Leaving
1	10-7-76	Wm C Kensett	17	EC	William Kensett	Palmers Oakey	School Master	3rd-7/76	27-5-77, Went mining.
2	10-7-76	D F Kensett	15	EC	William Kensett	Palmers Oakey	School Master	3rd-7/76	
3	10-7-76	F W Kensett	8	EC	William Kensett	Palmers Oakey	School Master	2nd-7/76	
4	10-7-76	John Tyrrell	12	EC	John Tyrrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd-7/76	22-8-76. kept at home
5	10-7-76	Sidney Phillips	13	EC	Edward Phillips	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-7/76	
6	11-7-76	Rich Henley	12	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd-7/76	14-4-77, Kept at home
7	10-7-76	Julius Wannick	4	EC	Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeeper	1st-7/76	
8	11-7-76	Joseph Henley	5	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-7/76	9-3-77 Kept at home
9	10-7-76	W J Kennedy	4	RC	William Kennedy	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-7/76	
10	24-7-76	Michael Fox	9	RC	Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeeper	2nd-7/76	6-10-76
11	31-7-76	James Moxon	6	EC	James Moxon	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-7/76	
12	7-8-76	James Martin	11	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-8/76	9-11-76 Kept at home
13	21-8-76	James McDonald	14	RC	Michael McDonald	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd-8/76	17-4-77
14	22-8-76	Henry Moxon	9	EC	James Moxon	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-8/76	
15	28-8-76	W Browning	7	EC	Joseph Browning	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-8/76	13-10-76 Kept at home
16	18-9-76	Patrick Lynch	8	RC	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-9/76	
17	2-10-76	James Lynch	6	RC	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-1/76	
18	18-9-76	Thomas Lynch	13	RC	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd-9/76	
19	16-10-76	Laurance Martin	14	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-10/76	3-11-76 Kept at home
20	10-10-76	John McDonnell	10	RC	Michael McDonnell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-10/76	
21	20-10-76	Jermiah O'Farrell	10	RC	Edward 0'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-10/76	

GIRLS

1g	10-7-76	Mary P A Kensett	12	EC	William Kensett	Palmers Oakey	Schoolmast	3rd-7/76	
2g	10-7-76	Julianna Kensett	7	EC	William Kensett	Palmers Oakey	Schoolmast	2nd-7/76	
3g	11-7-76	Bryel Henley	10	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-7/76	29-3-77 kept at home
4g	11-7-76	Jane Henley	8	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-7/76	8-9-76 kept at home
5g	20-7-76	Bertha Wannick	6	EC	JuliusWannick	PalmersOakey	Storekeeper	lst	-7/76
6g	24-7-76	Mary Ann Denton	13	RC	George Denton	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd-7/76	26-2-77 gone away
7g	24-7-76	Catherine Denton	10	RC	George Denton	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-7/76	26-2-77 gone away
8g	24-7-76	Jane Dyson	10	EC	James Dyson	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd-7/76	1-12-76 kept at home
9g	31-7-76	Catherine Martin	10	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd- 7/76	
1Og	31-7-76	Francis Frost	15	EC	Thomas Frost	Palmers Oakey	Shepherd	3rd- 7/76	
11g	31-7-76	Lucy Frost	13	EC	Thomas Frost	Palmers Oakey	Shepherd	3rd- 7/76	

12g 21-8-76	Catherine McDonnell	12	RC	Michael McDonnell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd- 8/76
13g 21-8-76	Elizabeth McDonnell	5	RC	Michael McDonnell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st- 8/76
14g 18-9-76	Margaret McDonnell	8	RC	Michael McDonnell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd- 9176
15g 18-9-76	Elizabeth Martin	14	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd- 9/76
16g 18-9-76	Ellen Lynch	11	RC	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd- 9/76
17g 16-10-76	Catherine 0'Farrell	7	RC	Edward 0'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st- 10/76
18g 6-11-76	Frances Lewis	9	RC	Emanuel Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st- 11/76

1877 Bathurst Rainfall 17.72 ins.

1877. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 9.

Peter McKinnon 2. K McLeod 1. J Wannick 1. W Tacke 1. E Lewis 1. G McLeod 1. Mrs J McKinnon 1. J Dalton 1.

29-10-1877 Sofala and Upper Turon (junction of Palmer's Oakey Creek with the Turon River), twice ' a week Emanuel Lewis, horseback, 1 year, £28'10s

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

BOYS

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-	date	Reason for Leaving
22	1-9-77	Joseph Henley	6	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	1/77	
23	9-1-77	Wm. Henley	4	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	1/77	
24	9-1-77	Richard Henley	13	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd	1/77	
25	15-1-77	Manual Lewis	14	EC	Manual Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd	1/77	
26	23-3-77	John O'Farrell	6	RC	Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	3/77	
27	16-4-77	James Martin	12	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	4/77	
28	24-4-77	Michael McDonnell	10	RC	John McDonnell	Bathurst	Publican	2nd	4/77	
29	9-7-77	Michael Fox	10	RC	Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeeper	1st	7/77	22-?-77 Bathurst
30	16-7-77	Joseph Henley	6	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	7/77	
31	6-7-77	John O'Farrell	6	RC	Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	7/77	
32	?-7-77	James McDonnell	15	RC	Michael McDonnell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	7/77	
33	?-8-77	Frederick Browning	5	EC	Joseph Browning	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	8/77	
34	?-8-77	Wm. Browning	7	EC	Joseph Browning	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	8/77	
35	?-9-77	Wm. Henley	4	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	9/77	
36	?-9-77	Wm. Lewis	13	EC	Manual Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd	9/77	
37	?-10-77	??? Martin	4	EC	James Marlin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	10/77	

GIRLS

19g	22-1-77	Charlotte Moxen	13	EC	James Moxen	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	1/77	
20g	29-1-77	Bryel Henley	10	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	1/77	29-3-77
21g	12-3-77	Jane Henley	9	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	3/77	29-3-77
22g	19-3-77	Eden M Martin	5	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	1/77	
23g	19-3-77	Alice B Martin	5	RC	John Marlin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	3/77	
24g	26-3-77	Rose Frost	12	EC	Thomas Frost	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	3/77	
25g	16-4-77	Jane Dyson	11	EC	James Dyson	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	4/77	22-6-77 kept home
26g	9-7-77	Jane Henley	9	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	7/77	
27g	9-7-77	Bryel Henley	11	RC	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	10/77	
28g	15-10-77	Mary M Harvey	4	EC	Mrs George	Rylstone	Farmer	1st	10/77	
29g	15-10-77	Jane Dyson	11	EC	James Dyson	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	10/77	

1878 Bathurst Rainfall 26.76

1878. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 11.

J Martin 1. Millett 1. J McKinnon 1. A Clyne 1. K McLeod 1. Jacob Dunkel 1. E Lewis 2. Mrs Rawle 1. W Spencer 1. Mrs J Moxon 1.

00-00-1878 Edward E Southall born
21-01-1878 Mrs Margaret Phillips post mistress at Upper Turon
13-02-1878 Mary Moore school teacher at Upper Turon
15-02-1878 Duncan George Ferguson born son of John & Susannah
21-02-1878 Alice Phillips assistant at Upper Turon Post Office
11-03-1878 Eveline Rawle schoolteacher at Upper Turon

05-04-1878 William J McKinnon born son of Duncan & Sarah
08-04-1878 Susannah Ferguson died.
18-04-1878 Ewen McColl Ferguson born son of Duncan & Jane
08-05-1878 John Alexander McKinnon postmaster in place of K McLeod at Palmers Oakey Post Office
24 05-1878 GOVERNMENT GAZETTE. Government Gazette published yesterday morning contains the following notifications :Mr. David Robert M'Call, to be a junior clerk in the office of the Inspector-General of Police, to take effect from the Ist. of January last ; trustees for the Upper Turon temporary common: Messrs. Thomas Ashill, Samuel Walker, James Twatt, Joseph Gettens, and Frederick Wilde. Mr. T. H. Rutter has been appointed a contract draftsman in connection with the Survey department. The Executive Council has been pleased to approve of the appointment of the Very Rev. John Felix Sheridan, V.G., as an additional trustee of the portion of the Necropolis set apart for a Roman Catholic burial ground.
20-07-1878 Eric Osborn Thompson born.
03-08-1878 Walter Arthur Theobald born .
00-00-1878 Margaretta Munro born (married George Parr)
28-10-1878 Sofala and Upper Turon (junction of Palmer's Oakey Creek with the Turon River), twice a week-Emanuel Lewis, horseback, 1 year, £30 10s

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-date, Reason for Leaving
1	26-3-78	George Simpson	14	EC	1/-	Henry Simpson	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd 3/78 Left dist Mar 79
2	26-3-78	Jeremiah O'Farrell	11	RC	/6	Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd 3/78 Finished
3	26-3-78	Patrick Lynch	10	RC	/6	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd 3/78 Finished
4	26-3-78	James Lynch	8	RC	/6	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 3/78
5	26-3-78	William Kennedy	7	RC	1/-	William Kennedy	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 3/78 Left district
6	26-3-78	John O'Farrell	7	RC	/6	Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 3/78.
7	26-3-78	Julius Wannick	6	EC	/8	Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeepe	1st 3/78 Wanted at home
8	1-4-78	Thomas Lynch	14	RC	/6	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Farmer	3rd 4/78 1-10-78 finished school
9	1-4-78	John McDonald	11	RC	/6	Michael McDonald	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd 4/78 Wanted at home
10	1-4-78	Henry Moyan	11	EC	/9	Henry Moyan	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd 4/78 Wanted at home
11	1-4-78	James Moyen	9	EC	/9	Henry Moyen	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 4/78 Wanted at home
12	8-4-78	Sydney Phillips	14	EC	1/-	Margaret Phillips	Palmers Oakey	Post Mistr	2nd 4/78 Finished Dec 78
13	8-4-78	Richard Henley	14	RC	Free	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd 4/78 Left the district
14	?-6-78	Joseph Henley	7	RC	Free	Richard Henley	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 5/78 Left dist 4-9-78
15	8-7-78	John Tyrrell	14	EC	1/-	John Tyrrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd 7/78 Wanted home 1-10-79
16	21-8-78	William Browning	9	EC	/6	Joseph Browning	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 8/78 Finished
17	21-8-78	Fredrick Browning	7	EC	/6	Joseph Browning	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 8/78
18	28-10-78	George Moxon	5	EC	/6	Henry Moxon	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 10/78 Wanted at home,left dist
19	1-2-79	Willy Henley	6	RC	/0	Michael Henley	Palmers Oakey	Minor	lst 1/79 Left district 27-8-79

1879 Bathurst Rainfall 32.43 ins.

1879. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 5.

J Wannick 1. G McLeod 1. Peter McKinnon 1. John Tyrrell 1. George Bower 1.

00-01-1879 Palmers Oakey school closed till Sept 1881
00-00-1879 Common Trust finished the year with a debit balance of £11-12-2
27-10-1879 Sofala and Upper Turon (Junction of Palmer's Oakey Creek, with the Turon River), twice a week-John Tyrrell, horse-back, 3 years, £21 10s per annum

1880 Bathurst Rainfall 19.84 ins.
00-00-1880 William E Southall born
05-01-1880 Elizabeth Janet McKinnon born
04-09-1880 Common. No meeting. Jacob Dunkel Sec.
06-09-1880 Eliza, Jane Theobald born.
02-10-1880 Common. No meeting.
04-12-1880 Common. No meeting.
27-12-1880 Archibald James Thompson born at Bathurst.
00-00-1880 Common herdsman paid £1 -10-0
00-00-1880 Common Income 131- Expenditure £1-19-9
00-00-1880 Official gold production records out of Palmers Oakey for 1880 were 58 ozs.
00-00-1880 Lewis and Son were clearing £5 per week from gold.

1880. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 7.

G McLeod 1. John McKinnon 1.George Bower 2.Mrs W Spencer 1. John Tyrrell 1. Hugh Lattimor 1.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class	-date	Reason for Leaving
20	?-1-80	Arthur Browning	5	EC	Free	Joseph Browning	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	1/80	
21	80	James Martin	15	RC	/6	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Farmer	2nd	?/80	Finished
22	3-8-80	Michael Fox	13	RC	/3	Julius Wannick	Upper Turon	Storekeeper	2nd	8/80	Wanted at home
23	2-8-80	Henry Moyan	13	EC	/3	James Moyan	Upper Turon	Miner	2nd	8/80	Wanted at home
24	4-8-80	Louis Wannick	4	EC	/3	J Wannick	Upper Turon	Storekeeper	1st	8/80	Left district

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.
Full description, brands etc are in common register.

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Peter Theobald	3	
Charles Franks	2	9
John Thomas Franks		2
Peter McKinnon	4	6
Donald McKinnon		3
A McKinnon	2	
John McCarthy	1	3
George McLeod	4	8
Henry Theobald	2	
Emanuel Lewis Jnr	4	5
Sophia Simpson	1	2
Manuel Lewis	3	9
Alexander Mcintyre		8
Michael McDonald	4	11
Mary McDonald		14
Sydney Phillips		2
E Phillips	3	9
William Phillips		2
George Steel		14
Jacob Dunkel	4	
Thomas Lynch Jnr	4	6
Thomas Lynch Snr	2	8
Maurice Lynch	2	8
Henry Simpson Jnr	4	6
Henry Simpson Snr	1	12
Redmond Belperraud	8	1
Richard Harvey	2	
John Tyrrell	6	
Frank H Buckerfield	7	
Julius Wannick	8	24
	30	90 172

00-00-1880 Common declared that Charles Franks' fatt(sic) sheep branded T under No allowed by common rules.

1881 Bathurst Rainfall 21.19 ins.

00-00-1881 Elizabeth. S. Munro born (m. Clem Mead)

03-01-1881 Special Common Meeting. Moved William Phillips seconded Redmound Bellparraud to send notices to G Steel, D Ferguson, G McLeod to keep sheep off ground annexed to common, also post notices for public meeting on 11.01-1881 Jacob Dunkel. Sec.

11-01-1881 Common Public Meeting. Accounts exhibited & passed, no other business. J Dunkel Sec.

05-02-1881 Common. No meeting.

05-03-1881 Common. No meeting.

02-04-1881 Common. No meeting.

07-05-1881 Common. No meeting.

02-07-1881 Common meeting Present Dunkel & Belperaud. No quorum J Dunkel Sec.

06-08-1881 Common meeting Present Dunkel & Belperaud. No quorum A Dunkel Sec.

03-09-1881 Common meeting Present Dunkel & Belperaud. No quorum A Dunkel Sec.

29-09-1881 Palmers Oakey school reopened, Teacher William Hunt.

08-10-1881 At a special common meeting held to elect two trustees in the room of Mr J Dunkel and R Belperaud resigned the following gentlemen were duly elected; Mr M McDonnell proposed by J Dunkel seconded by Mr G Bower carried. Mr Daniel Hopkins Proposed by A McIntyre seconded by R Belperraud. carried. R Belperraud chairman. J Dunkel Sec.

17-10-1881 The RAZOR BACK is situated about 10 MILES from Sofala, in the direction of Crown Ridge, MUDGEE-ROAD This MINE was opened by JULIUS WANNICK some 12 years ago. the intention being then to work it for gold. When first discovered the gold showed freely in the stone, which fact induced Mr Wannick to purchase and erect a crushing machine. The crushing's turned out PAYABLE for considerable distance, when a change took place in the reef, the stone becoming impregnated with antimony The presence of this metal entirely prevented the amalgamation of the liberated gold with the mercury, there for crushing had to be discontinued.

00-00-1881 Common Income £3-9-0 Expenses £1 -19-9
Ad in Gov. Gazette 15/-
Ad in Bathurst Free Press 6/6

1881. Letters to Palmers Oakey post office from Mitchells Creek.4.
Duncan Ferguson 1.George McLeod 1. George Bower 1. John McCarthy 1.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class	-date	Reason for Leaving
25	7-1-81	Richard Moyan	5	EC	/3	J Moyan	Upper Turon	Miner	1st	1/81	Left district
26	?-1-81	H Kennedy	10	RC	/3	H Simpson	Upper Turon	Miner	1st	1/81	Left district
27	?-5-81	Edward O'Farrell	6	RC	/3	E O'Farrell	Upper Turon	Miner	1st	5/81	
	?-5-81	Sydney Scott	5	EC	/3	Mrs Phillips	Upper Turon	Postmistress	1st	5/81	Left district
	?-11-81	Jullus Wannick	11	EC	/3	J Wannick	Upper Turon	Storekeeper	1st	11/81	Left district
	?-11-81	James Moyan	12	EC	/3	J Moyan	Upper Turon	Miner	1st	11/81	Left district

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE	GOATS
F H Buckerfield	8		
Richard Harvey	1		
Radmond Belperraud	4	1	
Alice M Phillips	1		
William Phillips	2	7	
Edward Phillips	3	6	
Alexander Mcintyre	6	3	
Henry Simpson Jnr	2	5	
Sophia Simpson	1	2	
Henry Simpson	1	11	
Peter McKinnon	2	3	
Donald McKinnon	3		
Archibald McKinnon	2	1	
Peter Theobald	3		
Henry Theobald	2		
William Tacke	1		
Julius Wannick	8	18	
Conrad Stassforth	5		
Charles Franks	1	7	
Peter McKinnon	4		
Thomas Franks	3		
Jane Munro	3		
Manuel Lewis	3	5	
Emanual Lewis	2	4	
Jacob Dunkel	3	4	
Edward O'Farrell	8		
James Moxon	3	3	3
Joseph Browning	1		6
Daniel Hopkins	4		
Maurice Lynch	2	2	
Thomas Lynch Snr	2	5	
Thomas Lynch Jnr	2	5	
Wy Kied	1		
Ah Koo	3		
Charley Ah Hann	4		
Miss Rolle	1		
George Bower	4	1	
George Bush	4	9	
Mrs William Spencer			10
Charley	1		
John Tyrrell	5		
Mary McDonnell	4	11	
John McDonnell		5	
George McLeod	7	9	
John McCarthy	3	5	
George Steel		10	
46	133	162	19

1882 Bathurst Rainfall 21.88 ins.

15-03-1882 Alice Ann McKinnon born

12-05-1882 Margaret MacDermott appointed school teacher at Palmers Oakey

20-05-1882 Special common meeting to elect two trustees to common as W Phillips and G Bower resigned. Elected were David Deware Munro and John McCarthy.

25-05-1882 William Francis Theobald born.

24-07-1882 Special common meeting to consider extension to the common, 22 approved and 2 disapproved.

13-10-1882 D D Munro and J McCarthy gazetted trustees

10-11-1882 Robert Charles Munro born

31-12-1882 Peter McKinnon Jun of Palmers Oakey appointed mailman Mitchells Cr to Palmers Oakey 15 miles Twice a week Horseback . 29 pounds p.a

31-12-1882 John Tyrrell of Palmers Oakey appointed mailman Sofala to Upper Turon (junction of Palmers Oakey creek and Turon River) 14 miles Twice a week Horseback 29 pounds 15 shillings

00-00-1882. Common Income £2-4-3 Expenditure £1 -4-0

1882. Reg. Letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 5.
Peter McKinnon 1. Peter McKinnon Jnr 1. John Kelly 1. Thomas Franks 2.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class	-date	Reason for Leaving
	?-11-82	Albert Moxon	5	EC		J Moxon	Upper Turon	Miner	Ist	11/82	Left district

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkel	4	3
Peter Theolbald	5	
Henry Theobald	2	
George Bush	4	10
Edward Phillips	3	5
William Phillips	2	5
Michael McDonnall	4	9
Mary McDonnell		5
John McDonnell	2	5
F H Buckerfield	6	
John Tyrrell	2	
Redmond Belparraud	3	1
Jane Dyson	1	
Alexander McIntyre	6	1
Julius Wannick	6	20
George McLeod	4	8
Conrad Stassforth	6	
Peter McKinnon Snr	3	2
Donald McKinnon	2	2
A McKinnon	2	3
W W Millett	7	
John McCarthy	3	1
Peter McKinnon Jnr	3	2
David Munro	1	
Finlay Munro	2	
Peter Munro	1	
George Bower	5	
Charles Franks	2	6
28	91	88

1883 Bathurst Rainfall 21.79 ins.

16-01-1883 Francis Eliza. Franks born (married 16-01-1906)

20-01-1883 General meeting of Commoners to elect 5 trustees for ensuing 3 years. David D Munro, Daniel Hopkins, Michael McDonnell, Peter McKinnon, elected and also approved of, also John Thomas Franks proposed D Hopkins John A McKinnon.

06-02-1883 Above trustees gazetted.

21-04-1883 Elizabeth Small appointed school teacher at Palmers Oakey.

00-00-1883 Sofala Goldfield Report.
Miners European alluvial 150 , Chinese alluvial 115, Quartz 100, Total 365
Gold production 4063 oz.

1883. Reg letters to Palmers Oakey from Mitchells Creek 5. Peter Theobald 1. Ah Man 2. George McLeod 1. Ah Tin 1.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-	date	Reason for Leaving
	?-2-83	Henry Theobald	13	EC	Free	H Theobald	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	2/83	Left district
	?-2-83	Peter Theobald	10	EC	Free	H Theobald	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	2/83	
	?-2-83	John Theolbald	7	EC	Free	H Theobald	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	2/83	
	?-9-83	????.Henley	10	EC	/3	J Dyson	Upper Turon	Miner	2nd	9/83	Left district
	?-10-83 ???	r Theobald	14	EC		H Theobald	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	10/83	
	?-11-83	??????????	14	EC	/3	F Franks	Palmers Oakey	Farmer	2nd	11/83	Left district

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
David D Munro	4	1
Daniel Hopkins	3	
Thomas Lynch	10	
John Thomas Franks	2	
John A McKinnon	8	
E Phillips	2	5
Michael McDonnell	3	2
John McDonnall	1	
Peter McKinnon Jnr	1	2
Duncan McKinnon	1	
Peter McKinnon Snr	1	3

Archie A McKinnon	3	
Henry Theobald	3	
Peter Theobald	3	
John McCarthy	3	1
E O'Farrell	4	2
F H Buckerfeld	6	
Alex McIntyre	3	
James Dyson	1	
M Rowles	1	
John Martin	6	6
William Lewis	4	2
Jacob Dunkel	3	
Julius Wannick	4	9
Henry Simpson	3	
Conrad Stassforth	2	
26	85	33

Common Income £24-3 Expenditure 12/10 ; Common Ad. in Bathurst Free Press 3/-

1884 Bathurst Rainfall 19.53 ins.

23-02-1884 Common meeting to audit books 01 -06-1882 / 23-02-1884

06-03-1884 John Shumack Post Master at West Mitchell.

21-03-1884 Mary McColl Ferguson died aged 89

23-03-1884 Mary McColl Ferguson buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery George McLeod undertaker.

24-04-1884 Michael Fox was charged with stealing money from his employer at Palmer's Oakey, but owing to the want of evidence the prosecution was abandoned, and the prisoner was acquitted.

30-05-1884 Robert Donald McKinnon born

28-08-1884 Alice Phillips appointed School Teacher at Palmers Oakey.

05-10-1884 Edward Thomas Theobald born

23-01-1884 Commons Regulation Act.- Mr. Thomas Vincent has been elected a trustee of the Upper Turon Common, vice Mr. Samuel Riley, resigned

19-11-1984 PALMER'S OAKEY GRIEVANCE. (To the Editor of the Daily Free Pren.) Sir, — The miners and residents on this field have every cause to feel grieved at the sufferings they have to put up with through the annual lease lessees poisoning their dogs and hunting the miners' horses away from their camps ; and all this upon a proclaimed gold field from which the State is deriving a large revenue in many ways. No later than yesterday a valuable dog belonging to the local storekeeper, Mr. C. F. Franks, was poisoned in his own slaughter yard. The bait (a piece of tripe) was picked up impregnated with strychnine. Also, a valuable dog of the post master (Mr. McKinnon) was poisoned the same day, and this gentleman assured me he picked up the baits in his own back yard where his children play. Not only is this done, but actually an infernal machine in the shape of a spring gun is set on the main road (which has been in existence over 40 years) from Palmer's Oakey to Willawah. The wires of the gun are set to each side of the road so that any animal coming in contact with the wires the gun swerves round on a pivot and discharges. Mr. Franks was returning from his rounds a few days ago and was nearly coming to an untimely end through this trap. Another grievance also exists, and it is that the so-called squatters have fenced in all the main roads leading from this place to Willawah and Ben Bullen, leaving no gates. I can plainly see that the squatters are making a rod for their own back, as the miners, now numbering some 400, will petition the Minister to cancel their leases on this gold field. Apologising for the length of this letter, and thanking you in anticipation. I remain, yours obediently, ' MINER.' Back Creek, Palmer's Oakey, Nov. 19, 1894.

21-12-1884 Rachel Franks born (married 11 -06-1911)

1884. Reg letters to Palmers Oakey from Mitchells Creek 9.

David D Munro 2. E Smith 2. L Davies 2. W Tacke 1. C Stassforth 1. Ah Charm 1.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-date	Reason for Leaving
	??-8-84	?????????????	7	EC	/3	J Dyson	Upper Turon	Miner	1st 8/84	Left district

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Henry Simpson Snr	2	4
Conrad Stassforth	2	
J Thomas Franks	3	3
Edward Phillips	1	1
Thomas Lynch Snr	8	3
Charles Franks	1	3
Edward O'Farrell	3	2
John McCarthy	3	
David D Munro	2	1
John A McKinnon	4	1
Archibald McKinnon	1	3
Peter McKinnon Snr	1	
Peter McKinnon Jnr	1	1
Daniel Hopkins	3	
William Tacke	1	
George Bowers	4	1
George McLcod	6	2
Jacob Dunkel	3	

James Martin	2	3
Michael McDonell	3	1
John McDonell	1	1
William Lewis	2	
John Martin	1	4
Lawrence Martin	3	
Duncan McKinnon	3	
Henry Theobald	2	
Henry Simpson Snr	2	3
George Bush		1
Peter Theobald	3	
Joseph Browning	2	
James Dyson	1	
Mex Mcintyre	2	1
F Buckerfield	6	
33	84	39

Common Income £2-6-9 Expenditure £2-0-8 ; Common Ad in Dov Gazette 51-

1884 Stockowners & Livestock Returns.

PROPERTY	AREA	NAME	ACRES	HORSES	CATTLE	SHEEP
Bingle Tree	Sofala	Carroll & Hyland	2120	4	11	1355
	Coolamigal Cr	William Parr	5351	2		780
	Dark Corner	Richard Shumack	160	3	15	50
Warrie	Palmers Oakey	Duncan Ferguson	6000	15	25	1600
Limekilns Swamp	Palmers Oakey	John Ferguson	4270	3		990
	Limekilns	Thomas Tobin	7083	15	24	993
	Limekilns	John Tobin	4000	4		802
	Limekilns	John McKinnon	9126	13	31	1890
	Limekilns	Thomas Hume	40	12	5	
	Limekilns	R O Kerr	1250	16	19	100
	Limekilns	William Melton	2190	15	11	
	Limekilns	James Selby	80	2	12	
	Palmers Oakey	Henry Theobald	43			247
	Palmers Oakey	George McLeod	8		8	5
	Palmers Oakey	George Street	40		8	
Razorback	Sofala	Henry Stephenson	640	1	10	300
Razorback	Sofala	Owen Pearce	640	4	2	250
Banderora	Capertee	William Corlis	10000	5	20	2700

1885 Bathurst Rainfall 20.88 ins.

01-01-1885 Post Office opened at Sunny Corner known as Mitchell and Mitchells Creek post office was changed to West Mitchell.
00-01-1885 William Larnach school teacher at Upper Turon.
00-05-1885 School opened at Dullaberry
00-08-1885 Upper Turon school temporary closed.
02-11-1885 West Mitchell and Palmers Oakey, twice a week-Finlay Munro, horseback, one year, £27 10s

1885. Reg. letters to Palmers Oakey from Mitchells Creek l.; A McIntyre.
From West Mitchell 12. A McKinnon 2. George McLeod 2. C Stassforth, G Franks, D Ferguson, J Davies, ChasFranks, Finlay Munro, Henry Theobald, George T Beatre.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-date	Reason for Leaving
1	26-1-85	Ellen O'Farrell	12	RC	/3	E O'Farrell	Upper Turon	Miner	1st 1/85	
2	26-1-85	Florence Lewis	9	EC	/3	Emanuel Lewis	UpperTuron	Carpenter	1st 1/85	
3	26-1-85	Alice Martin	12	RC	/3	John Martin	Upper Turon	Farmer	3rd 2/85	
6	4-5-85	Catherine Martin	19	RC	/3	John Martin	Upper Turon	Farmer		

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
C Stassforth	3	
Ah Ko	2	
E Phillip	4	
F H Buckerfield	5	
William Tache	1	
James Dyson Jnr	3	
Jacob Dunkel	3	
Edward O'Farrell	4	3
Henry Simpson	2	2
John McCarthy	5	
Joseph Browning	2	
Alexander McIntyre	2	1
Thomas Lynch	7	5
Henry Theobald	5	
A A McKinnon	1	2

John Sands	1	
John A Franks	4	7
M Lewis	4	
Charles Franks	1	6
George Bush	2	
Peter McKinnon Jun	1	1
R Banning	1	
Peter McKinnon Snr	1	
John & James Martin	5	12
Daniel Hopkins	3	
David Munro	1	1
George McLeod	3	3
Michael McDonnell	3	1
John McDonnell	1	2
John Williams	1	
John A McKinnon	6	3
Henry Theobald		5
Patrick Lynch		7
George McLeod	1	14
Jullus Wannick		5
36	88	80

Common paid stock tax to Bathurst £1-12-9

From the returns to the NSW Legislative Assembly 1885 Landholders living at or near Palmers Oakey

Carrol & Hylands	Bingle Tree	Sofala
Duncan Ferguson	Palmers Oakey	
George McLeod	Palmers Oakey	
C Munro Snr	Palmers Oakey Common	
James A Lawrence	Upper Turon	Sofala
George Street	Palmers Oakey	
Henry Theobald	Palmers Oakey	
Saml. Walsh	Upper Turon	Sofala

1886 Bathurst Rainfall 30.73 ins.

20-01-1886 Palmers Oakey and Upper Turon schools half time, sharing the teacher Alice Phillips till 1904

00-00-1886 Charles Munro born later died from diphtheria.

09-01-1886 Special common meeting held to elect trustees for ensuing 3 years. John Joseph Martin by J Dunkel and E Phillips. Alexander McIntyre by J Martin and M McDonnell. John Thomas Franks by J Martin and George McLeod. William Tacke by F H Buckerfield and G Simpson. Michael McDonnell by E O'Farrell and W Simpson. J J Martin was chairman.

16-01-1886 Special common meeting to audit accounts.

20-01-1886 DARK CORNER, PARR'S RANGE AND PALMER'S OAKEY.

On Tuesday, the 22nd of December 1885, accompanied by Mr. C. F. Franks, of Meadow Flat, I visited the districts of Dark Corner, Parr's Range, and Palmer's Oakey, lying to the north-west of Sunny Corner. All the localities were worked for gold in early times, and in two places I noticed the peculiar occurrence similar to what may be found near "Walhalla, in Gippsland, of gold-bearing wash on the tops of hills. These alluvial deposits are held to be the beds of old watercourses, and as it is evident they could not have crossed the hill tops, the only way to account for their presence is by the convenient theory of earthquakes in more modern times. The first claim of note met with on the way was the old Homeward Bound, which at one time obtained returns of from 6 ozs. to 9 ozs. of gold. A shaft was sunk to a depth of 240 feet, but the water became troublesome. A tunnel was then put in to drain the water off, but it was at too shallow a level, and the claim was abandoned. Át one time there was a little township in the vicinity, hut now everything is silent and deserted. The existence of the mine is only marked by a few heaps of dirt, and the inhabitants have long ago scattered to all parts of the colony, half a mile further north-west lies Lackey's reef, on which Cook and Co. have erected a battery of five stamps, capable of crushing 60 tons of stone a week. The shaft, which is about 170 foot deep, carries a mullocky lode varying in width from one to ten foot, and averaging from 12 to22_dwt. to the ton. The gratings in the boxes have 200 holes to the square inch, and the tailings are run through a Chilian mill before passing over the plates and blanket strokes. Even ton, however, they are found to contain 9 dwt. of gold to the ton, the loss as far as I could see, being due to the steep incline at which the plates are set, the fall being equal to about two inches in a foot and a half. The way thence lay through steep mountain ranges in places where there was scarcely foothold for a horse. The country is plentifully timbered with white, red, and yellow box, black wattle, white and red gum, white and red stringy bark, and hickory. Crossing a large limestone range, and proceeding for about a mile I reached Moss and Cousins' claim in Parr's range. Two shafts have been sunk, the latter being necessitated by the rapid dip of the lode, which consists of gossan and limestone of a very spongy nature. The second shaft is about 70 feet in depth ; but, as there was no ladder in it, and the rope had been taken off the windlass, it was impossible to descend it to make any close inspection.

Following the Reedy- Creek northward, I saw a spot' where in the old digging days 20,000 pounds worth of gold was won, and in every direction there are the usual signs of abandoned alluvial workings. It was about half a mile to the north of this locality that I saw on a high ridge of ground those small water worn pebbles, the presence and formation of which proclaim the action of running water, and indicate the existence of gold. A little to the north of this point I saw where gossan had been found in Mr. Ferguson's land. Some of the lode was broken out at the surface and assayed 1 ½ dwt. of gold and 13oz. of silver per ton. Leaving the Reedy Creek near its junction with the Palmer's Oakey Creek, we followed the latter, the bed being cut and scored in all directions with old auriferous workings. The limestone breaks off sharp on either bank, and it is quite possible that deep ground exists in the bed of the creek. About a quarter of a mile from Mr. Ferguson's house there is a hill called Lewis-hill, which is partly coveted with, an outcrop of gossan and quartz. Half a mile beyond we came to the head of M'Leod's ground, sluicing claim, which is stopped at present for want of water. The company is sluicing away a large hill, the face being about 40 feet in height. A little beyond this lies Central Palmer's Oakey, at one time the nucleus of a population numbering several thousands, when gold was plentiful. Now it is nothing but a dreary-looking waste, covered with scrub and dotted with mullock heaps and abandoned diggings, while here and there is the remnants of some old building recalls the memory of what once bade fair to be a flourishing township. SMH

00-05-1886 In the Intestate Estate of Michael Kearns, deceased, TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, on or before the 12th JUNE NEXT, are invited for the Purchase of — A QUARTZ CRUSHING PLANT, consisting of a 2 h.p., engine and two

stamper battery, complete, situated at 'Three Pennyweight,' east side of Palmer's Oakey, and south side of Turon River. For further information apply to Mr. JNO Mc KINNON, Limekilns, or to Mr. DUNCAN FERGUSON, Palmer's Oakey. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted'... .H. HUTCHINSON

20-07-1886 Special common meeting to consider the best means to adopt to prevent J Wannick's sheep from trespassing on common, no decision arrived at. Meeting postponed to 24th inst.

24-07-1886 A postponed special common meeting. Resolved to bill J Wannick for the treaspass of his sheep on the 13th of this month, carried unamimously.

17-08-1886 -Duncan M'Kinnon, shepherd, of Coolamigal Creek, lately of Mitchell. Liabilities, 867 Pounds Is 7d. Assets, 22 Pounds 10s. Mr. S. Lyons, official assignee.

2-10-1886 In the matter of Duncan. M'Kinnon, shepherd, of Palmer's Oakey. First meeting. Mr. Kenny appeared for Insolvent. — Insolvent's schedule set forth that his liabilities were £67 Is 7d ; assets £2 10s ; deficiency £64 lls 7d. — Insolvent deposed that he did not wish to alter or amend his schedule ; he accounted for his insolvency through sickness ; he had been working at Sunny Corner and the fumes from the furnaces had affected him ; was out of work for twelve months and had a wife and four children'— -There were no creditors and no proofs. — The Official Assignee had given instructions to sell an old mare and saddle. He held the furniture and wearing apparel

10-11-1886 Alice Ann Franks born. (married 02-01-1907)

23-12-1886 Common meeting hold to consider applications for Common Rights and to elect a Trustee in place of Alex McIntyre deceased. Thomas Lynch by E O'Farrell and G McLeod. J J Martin chairman.

00-00-1886 Sunny Corner mines slumped.

1886. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 9.

Ah Chong 1. J Franks 3. Finlay Munro 1. G McLeod 2. C Ferguson 1. D Ferguson 1

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
J T Franks	4	3
Henry Simpson	3	3
A McIntyre	2	1
Jeremiah O'Farrell	3	2
John J Martin	4	7
Thomas Lynch	6	2
E O'Farrell	2	2
Patrick Lynch	1	7
Joseph Browning	2	
John Tyrrell	1	
James Dyson	3	
Edward Phillips	1	3
James Lynch	1	4
John McDonnell	1	4
F H Buckerfield	5	
William Lewis	3	6
Charles Franks	2	6
James Joseph Martin	3	7
Thomas Raftery	1	
William Tacke	1	
Daniel Hopkins	4	
Jacob Dunkel	3	
Henry Theobald	4	5
Peter Theobald	1	
Michael McDonnell	3	2
Archibald McKinnon	2	7
David Munro	5	2
John A McKinnon	6	8
John Thomas Franks	1	
Charles Franks	1	
A Ko	1	
Julius Wannick	3	
George McLeod	8	
Sing Wing Jang	4	
Henry Theobald	1	

	35	96 79

Common Income £5-16-9 Expenditure £3-15-10. Common stock tax paid to Bathurst £2-1 –11

1887 Bathurst Rainfall 33.43 ins.

00-00-1887 Martha E Munro born (married Aiden Shumack)

05-03-1887 No attendance at common meeting

27-04-1889 Robert James Theobald born

16-05-1887 Donald Astmus McKinnon born

17-05-1887 Common paid 6d rabbit tax.

04-06-1887 Common meeting. No business.

06-06-1887 Common meeting at J Dunkels at which it was decided to summon Julius Wannick for driving sheep along the common without giving notice, also to summon Charlie Ferguson for illegally driving stock from off the common without giving notice to trustees

04-09-1887 Common meeting. No business.

30-12-1887 An advertised public meeting was held at Palmers Oakey Creek at Charles Franks to revise the Commoners Roll of the Palmers Oakey Common. Resolved to strike off Roll the names of Joseph Browning and William Lewis. Resolved to grant common rights to Henry Theobald Jnr., James Lynch and John O'Farrell resident miners of Upper Turon and Palmers Oakey Creek respectiviey. John J Martin Chairman, J Dunkel Sec.

1887. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchall 11.

C Ferguson 4. Finlay Munro 1. Archibald McKinnon 1. Robert Smith 1. George McLeod 3. Jessy Stapley 1.

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON

NAME	**HORSES**	**CATTLE**
Jacob Dunkel	3	
Daniel Hopkins	5	
Charles Franks	2	12
Finlay Munro	5	3
James Dyson	3	2
Manuel Lewis	3	2
William Lewis		4
F H Buckerfield	2	
Edward O'Farrell	2	3
Jeremiah O'Farrell	2	3
John J Martin	4	8
James J Martin	4	4
William Tacke	1	
Joseph Browning	3	
John Tyrrell	2	
Alice Phillips	1	
M Phillips		1
Henry Theobald	5	4
Peter Theobald	2	
Henry Simpson	2	5
Patrick Lynch	2	9
Thomas Lynch	7	7
John T Franks	3	8
John McDonnell	4	6
Peter McKinnon	1	3
A McKinnon		11
John A McKinnon	2	15
Sing W Jang	3	
George Bush		2
Ah Koo	1	
30	74	113

Common Income £7-11-3 Expenditure £4-11-3 Stock Tax £2-11 -0

1888 Bathurst Rainfall 15.04 ins.

00-01-1888 Dullaberry school went half time with Wheatfield.

14-01-1888 Public meeting at Charles Franks. Balance sheet of Palmers Oakey Common presented and adopted. Proposed to pay Common Sec £2-0-0 per year and to pay the Trustees 7/- a day in case anyone of them have to go to Sofala on Business connected with the common. Michael McDonnell chairman.

25-02-1888 Common Trustees meeting at which instructions were given to the Sec. to write to Mr Sydney Smith to inquire of the Minister of Mines wether he had given instructions to a gentleman styling himself a Surveyor to make inquires how many inhabitants were living on the common, also how many head of horses and cattle ware depastured on the common. John J Martin chairman. J Dunkel Sec

28-02-1888 HUGHES V. WANNICK.Mr. Scholes, instructed by Mr. O'Brien, appeared for the plaintiff, and there was no appearance for the defence. The plaintiff, Hugh Hughes, claimed the sum of £34 from the defendant, Julius Wannick, for 36 weeks' rent due on a store and other buildings at Carlo's Gap, near Capertee. The case was undefended, and a verdict was given for the plaintiff for amount claimed.

21-04-1888 Common trustees meeting at J Dunkels at which certain documents sent by the government were considered. J J Martin chairman. J Dunkel Sec

01-05-1888. TENDERS are invited for the erection of 14 Miles of WIRE FENCING and 5 Miles of CHOCK and LOG FENCING at 'WARRIE,' Palmer's Oakey. Specifications may be seen and full particulars obtained on application to D. McNAMARRA , “Warrie,” (Manager) or to A. G. THOMPSON, Solicitor, Bathurst. Tenders addressed to 'A. G. Thompson,' must be sent in NOT LATER than FRIDAY, the 1st JUNE, 1888.

24-05-1888 Thomas Southall, Wattle Flat, Sofala, near Bathurst, contractor, on petition of debtor. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

03-07-1888 Common trustees atJ Dunkels. No business. J J Martin chairman. J Dunkel Sec

07-08-1888 A little boy, aged 5, the younger son of a farmer named Bennett, living at Palmer's Oakey-road, about five miles from Mitchell's Creek, strayed from home on Saturday evening, and has not since been beard of. Searchers were out all Saturday night looking for the missing boy, and a large search parry was organized yesterday, headed by two mounted troopers, but no trace was found except that foot- marks were seen for a few miles along the main road and they apparently diverged and were lost in the bush. Saturday night was fearfully cold and snowy, and the gravest fears are entertained of the missing boy's recovery. Owing to the rough and mountainous character of the country, and the thickness of the scrub, it would be possible to pass within a few feet of a body without noticing it. SMH

20-08-1888 Henry Charles Franks born. (married 0 1 -12-1917)

26-11-1888 Common meeting at J Dunkels at which instruction wore given to the Sec to issue notices to commoners to give in all stock depastured on the common on or before 20-12-88 also to pay in all common fees for all stock depastured on common above 5 head in number. J J Martin chairman J Dunkel Sec.

24-12-1888 Public meeting on Palmers Oakey Creek to revise common roll. Resolved to strike off the names of Archibald

McKnnon, John Sullivan, and put in the names of Julius Wannick and Charles F Franks. J J Martin chairman J Dunkel Sec

24-12-1888 D Ferguson purchased 5 head of cattle from N Flin for £5-0-0
D Ferguson purchased 1 head of cattle from W Morris for £1-7-6
D Ferguson purchased 1 head of cattle from Thomas Heath for £1-10-0
D Ferguson purchased 4 head of cattle from M O'Brien for £5-10-0
D Ferguson purchased 4 head of cattle from Ben Lowe for £13-0-0
D Ferguson purchased 4 head of cattle from John Smead for £6-10-0

1888. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 7.
Mrs W Stapley 2. Mrs J McKinnon 1. George McLeod 1. D Ferguson 1. Ah Man 1. Henry Theobald 1.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkel	5	
Henry Simpson		7
George Simpson		1
Finlay Munro	4	7
Carolina McIntyre		3
Charles Franks	2	11
A Phillips	1	
M Phillips		3
William Tacke	1	
George Bush		2
Sing W Jang	4	
James Dyson	2	
John Tyrrell	3	
Ah Koo	1	
Daniel Hopkins	6	
John McDonnell	1	5
James McDonnell	1	4
Michael McDonnell	4	3
John J Martin	5	9
James Martin	5	10
Edward O'Farrell	1	3
John O'Farrell	3	1
Jeremiah O'Farrell	2	1
Thomas Lynch	6	7
Patrick Lynch	2	9
Frank Buckerfield	4	
John J Franks	4	8
Manuel Lewis	3	4
William Lewis		4
Henry Theobald	7	5
Peter Theobald	1	
A McKinnon	1	14
George McLeod	12	
John A McKinnon	3	24
James Lynch	1	8
Julius Wannick	3	7
36	97	160

Common Income £7-6-0 Expenditure £11-19-2. Stock Tax £1-19-4. Rabbit Tax 4/6.

1889 Bathurst Rainfall 24.26 ins.

12-01-1889 Public meeting held according to advertisement to elect trustees for the Common for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected. Manuel Lewis proposed by Patrick Lynch, seconded by James J Martin. Thomas Lynch proposed by J Dunkel, seconder by Manuel Lewis. John J Martin proposed by James Martin, seconded by J Dunkel. John Thomas Franks proposed by Jeremiah O'Farrell, seconded by John McDonnell. Jacob Dunkel proposed by James Lynch, seconded by F H Buckerfield. John Joseph Martin chairman. J Dunkel Sec

23-03-1889 Common meeting at J Dunkels. Application by Duncan McKinnon granted. Proposed by John J Martin to impose a Special Tax of 6d per head for all stock on common, tax to be on or before 15-4-1889. J Dunkel chairman and sec

00-06-1889 No common meeting.

25-07-1889 D Ferguson purchased 20 head of cattle from Albert Bourke for £65-0-0

01-08-1889 D Ferguson purchased 13 head of cattle from Albert Bourke for £35-0-0

00-08-1889 SALE BY AUCTION IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT COURT HOLDEN IN BATHURST. FRANKS v. AH C0 & AH BAR. The 23rd day of August,1889 at noon, unless the Warrant of Execution herein be previously satisfied, the Bailiff will cause to be sold by public auction on the Premises occupied by the defendants, at Palmer's Oakey.
Quantity Building Material, 2 Tobacco Presses, 1 Riding Saddle, Furniture and Cooking Utensils, Tools, Poultry, & Sundr TERMS— CASH.

26-10-1889 West Mitchell and Palmers Oakey, twice a week-Duncan M'Kinnon, horse back, three years, £23 17s 0d per annum.

30-10-1889 Common meeting at J Dunkels. All stock to be given in on or before 20-12-89, also advertise for a Public Meeting at J Dunkels 28-12-89 to revise common roll. J Dunkel Sec

31-10-1889 Marriages. NOONAN-McDONNELL-October 31-1889 at St. Peter's, Forbes-street, by the Rev. T. B. Trees, The third eldest son of Peter Noonan, contractor, late of New Zealand, to Margaret Mary McDonnell, fourth eldest daughter of Michael McDonnell, of Upper Turon,

28-12-1889 Public meeting at J Dunkel's to revise common roll. The following name was struck off, Finlay Munro , and an application by Peter Munro granted. J Dunkel chairman and Sec

28-12-1889 Common Trustees meeting to confirm balance sheet of Palmers Oakey Common. J Dunkel chair and Sec

1889. Registered Letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 9.

Ah Man 4. C Stassforth 1. David Munro 1. A M Phillips 1. H M Franks 1. Miss Phillips 1.

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkel	4	
John H Franks	5	12
James Dyson	3	
Thomas Lynch	4	5
P M Lynch	1	15
James Lynch	1	4
Charles Franks	2	12
William Tacke	1	
John Tyrrell	3	
John O'Farrall	3	
Edward O'Farrell	1	3
Jerimiah O`Farrell	2	2
John J Martin	3	8
James J Martin	4	10
M Phillips		3
A Phillips	1	
Ah Koo	1	
Caroline McIntyre		4
Daniel Hopkins	5	
Henry Theobald	7	8
Michael McDonnell	5	4
John McDonnall	1	4
James McDonnell	1	4
Henry Simpson	1	6
F Munro	3	7
F H Buckerfield	4	
M Lewis	4	14
Peter Aitken	1	
Sing Wing Jang		3
George Bush		2
Julius Wannick	3	8
George McLeod	14	
John A McKinnon	23	
Duncan McKinnon	2	3
34	88	164

Common Income £10-18-0 Expenditure £10-1-3. Stock Tax £1-14-2. Rabbit Tax 8d.

1890 Bathurst Rainfall 34.37 ins.

00-00-1890 Leonard Smith born.

00-00-1890 Sunny Corner mines flourishing again.

09-01-1890 Charles Franks died at Upper Turon, buried at Palmers Oakey.

01-02-1890 Common trustees meeting at which a new set of rules wore considered, debated and finally adopted by the trustees present, Thomas Lynch, William Lewis, John Thomas Franks, John Joseph Martin, Jacob Dunkel Chairman and Sec

27-02-1890 A special meeting of common trustees to consider an application from Charles F Franks to depasture about 30 sheep in a paddock fore slaughtering purposes, the said application was refused. Trustees present, Manuel Lewis, Thomas Lynch, John J Martin, Jacob Dunkel chairman and sec

20-03-1890 Donald Astmus McKinnon died from diphtheria aged 3. buried PO.

28-03-1890 Alice Ann McKinnon died from diphtheria aged 8. buried P 0.

02-05-1890 PALMER'S OAKEY ROAD. — Mr. J. E. Tonkin, M.P., has received the following letter from the department :— " Department of Public Works, Sydney, 29th April, 1890. Sir, — In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 22nd ultimo, I am directed to inform you that the Secretary for Public Works has approved of the sum of £200 being granted for repairs to the Palmer's Oakey Road. — I have the honor, &c., J. BARLING, Under Secretary.

17-05-1890 A quarterly common meeting at J Dunkels at which it was resolved to call in the stock tax 2d per head for all stock given in December last, orders wore given to the secretary to post notices to get in the aforesaid tax. John J Martin, Manuel Lewis, Jacob Dunkel chairman and sec

24-05-1890 Peter McKinnon married Willina Ferguson. at Christ Church C of E Sydney.

19-06-1890 John Thomas Franks applied for Portion 7 Turon. The improvements on it were valued at: Cottage £35. Kitchen £15. Store £25. Forge £2. Stable £3. Slaughter house £1. 3, Sheds £2,. Paling Fence £4. 2 Rail Fence £3. Clearing £8.

30-08-1890 A public meeting was held to devise means for the survey of the extention to the Palmers Oakey common , when it was resolved to postpone the survey untill after Xmas , when it could be done without special Taxation. J. Dunkel Chairman.

A quarterly meeting of Trustees was then hold at J Dunkels when the following gentlemen were allowed common rights, namely August Voigt. miner. Thomas Twatt, miner. William H Kennedy, miner. all of Upper Turon and Peter Theobald Jr. of Palmers Oakey Creek. J Dunkel Chairman & Sec.

15-11-1890 Common Trustees meeting at J Dunkels to issue notices to the Commoners to give in all stock depastured on Palmers Oakey Common on or before 20-12-1890. J Dunkel Chairman & Sec.

21-11-1890 Arthur Thomas Franks born. (never married)

1890. Registered Letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 9.

D Ferguson, D McKinnon, Henry Theobald, T Hevenson 2, C Stassorth 2, A M Phillips, Lizzie Munro.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkel	4	
William Tacke	4	
Ah Ko	1	
John Tyrrell	3	
Mrs A Phillips		4
Sing Wing Jang	2	
George Bush		2
Carolina McIntyre		4
Manuel Lewis	4	14
Charles Franks	3	16
Henry Theobald	4	9
Henry Theobald Jr.	1	
F H Buckerfield	4	
Jullus Wannick	3	11
Peter Munro		7
David Munro	3	2
James McDonnell	3	2
Michel McDonnell	2	5
John McDonnell	3	2
Patrick Lynch	3	11
Thomas Lynch	5	5
James Lynch	1	5
John T Franks	8	13
Daniel Hopkins	7	
Jerimiah O'Farrell	2	3
John O'Farrell	3	2
Edward O'Farrell	1	2
Duncan McKinnon	2	4
John J Martin	2	10
James J Martin	3	12
George McLeod	3	11
Henry Simpson	1	5
32 '	85	160

Common Income £7-9-3 Expenditure £6-15-6 Stock Tax £2-3-2
Rabbit Tax 712d paid to CPS Sofala.

1891 Bathurst Rainfall 30.95 ins.

00-00-1891 Thomas Durack took over mortgage on "Warrie" from James Fitzpatrick.

03-01-1891 Common meeting at Jacob Dunkels to pass accounts for the year 1890. J Dunkel Chairman and Sec.

25-02-1891 BREACH OK TOBACCO ACT. (Before the Police Magistrate and Mr. J. B. Dulhunty, J.P.) Ah Chum was charged, on the information of Frank A. Eager, with manufacturing tobacco, and not having a license. Mr. Thompson appeared for the prosecutor and Mr. Mc Intosh appeared for defendant. Mr. Thompson said that this prosecution was under the 13th section of the Tobacco Act. He called Frank A. Eagar, Inspector of Tobacco Factories, to prove the case. A point was here raised as to the power of the officer to prosecute as he could not produce his appointment. Mr. Eager said he had not his appointment with him, but if the case was adjourned for a. day he could get it. Mr. Mc Intosh said he would not press the point, as it would put the parties to further expense. He raised the point because he thought Mr. Eager should have had his appointment in his possession. The case was then proceeded with and the inspector deposed that defendant did not hold a license. Senior-constable Fagan of Sofala deposed that defendant had a tobacco farm at Palmer's Oakey ; witness went to his place on December 14th ; he found the tobacco-press produced and a quantity of tobacco; he was drying a quantity of leaves on some perforated tin ; asked him if he ever sold it. and he said no, but he gave it to his countrymen ; he said that he had made it for his own use, and for his countrymen ; there were twenty pounds of tobacco independent of what was in the press ; have known defendant to live at this place for some two years. To Mr. McIntosh : Never saw any one else but defendant at the hut ; he might have given the tobacco to his countrymen ; tobacco is grown all round the hut, and there was a bale of tobacco leaf in a hut. F. A. Egan, recalled, deposed that the tobacco produced came under the head of manufactured tobacco. To Mr. McIntosh : Under section 3 of the Act any handling, cutting, &c, of the leaf is considered to mean manufactured ; directly after the stalk is taken from the leaf, and the leaf handled, the manufacture commences. To Mr. Thompson : The tobacco in the press is in process of manufacture, and this is very well done considering the appliances. For the defence — Ah Chum, deposed, through an interpreter ; I have a tobacco garden at Palmer's Oakey ; have two mates ; I made the plugs of tobacco, and they are used by myself and my own mate ; no one else uses it ; this tobacco was made from the suckers of the tobacco leaf which are not fit for the market ; it was because I could not sell this that I made it up for myself ; I also use it for soaking to kill the aphis with ; I throw hundreds of lbs. away. To Mr. Thompson : I smoke what I press, the other is soaked for killing aphis ; I was drying the leaf inside over the fire as it did not dry quick enough. Mr. McIntosh did not deny that his client had made the tobacco, but it was only for the use of himself and his mates. The question was whether it was possible that this was an offence as he only used the waste. If it was necessary to take out a license he would have to pay , £'250, this was under 4th section, and pay is 3d per lb.. for every lb. manufactured. He asked if the Act really meant that any man should pay this amount for using what was only waste. He took it that if his client gave this waste to anyone else and it was then made up and - sold he would be liable. The regulations said that this waste should be destroyed. , He ventured to say this was the first case before the court, and was an attempt to make this poor man pay£250 when he preferred to use his waste rather than buy tobacco from the shop. The Police Magistrate said that the fine was only £5. The Act was made to protect the revenue and prevent the existence of a number of these small factories and giving the tobacco away, thus evading the excise duties. Mr. McIntosh then urged for a nominal fine under the circumstances. The Bench said they did not consider there had been any attempt to defraud, and the case did not warrant a severe penalty. Mr. Thompson pointed out that the tobacco manufacturing license of £5 had been evaded, and the excise duty had not been paid. (Mr. McIntosh said his friend could have the tobacco.) The Bench said that the maximum fine was £50 a day, and this was a matter for serious consideration. They

fined defendant £5 and. costs, together with professional costs, 21 s ; in default, one months' imprisonment. An order was made for the confiscation of the tobacco. (The defendant said he would take the alternative.)

05-03-1891 From the Bathurst Daily Times; "An old resident named Samuel Parr well known about the Sunny Corner, Palmers Oakey and the Turon has been found dead in a shaft on the Turon River. He was supposed to have been dead a week when his body was discovered. Deceased had resided in that area for over 50 years and was regarded as an intelligent but some what eccentric man, never remaining more than 2 or 3 days in the one place. His occupation being that of a gold digger and it is presumed that being a very old man he had tumbled into the shaft and died."

04-04-1891 No common meeting . No business to transact, J Dunkel Sec.

01-06-1891 Charles Peet Ferguson m Mary Thomas at her fathers house at S CWitnessed by Duncan Ferguson and Sarah Thomas

06-06-1891 Quarterly trustees of common meeting at J Dunkels at which orders were given to post notices for the payment of 2d per head as stock tax for the year 1891, the said tax to be on or before 20-6-91. J Dunkel, Chairman and Sec.

15-08-1891 Meeting of trustees was held at J Dunkels where orders were given to impound all Stray Stock trespassing on the common, Also proposed not to allow any more common rights until after six months residents. carried by mutual consent. Present John J Martin, Thomas Lynch, John Th Franks, J Dunkel Chairman and Sec.

31.10.1891 A special common trustees meeting to consider complaints laid by C F Franks, first in respect to a certain Bull not being fit to roam at large, the trustees think they have no power to order any commoner to do away with any such cattle except diseased, no matter what breed or what like. Second complaint re pigs. The trustees are of the oppion that you have the remedy in your own hands. Third complaint. In respect to a road to your slaughtering yard, the trustees are of the oppioian as your father used the road you have gott you ought to be satisfied with the same road also. Signed on behalf of the trustees by Jacob Dunkel Chairman.

29-11-1891 Common trustees meeting was hold to issue notices to have all stock depastured on common given in on or before 20-12-1891 also all common fees paid fore (sic) all stock above the age of six months. Also a protest was entered against John J Martin a Trustee at the time that he should not take legal procedings against D Hopkins about a certain track the said D Hopkins made fore (sic) to go to his mining tenement situated on the Turon River. Present at meeting J Dunkel Chairman & Sec., John J Martin, Thomas Lynch, Manuel Lewis.

24-12-1891 A Advertised public meeting was held at Jacob Dunkels place at Palmers Oakey on the 24 day of Dec. at 6 PM fore (sic) the revision of the common roll of the Palmers Oakey temp. common when the following names wore struck off the Roll. Peter McKinnon and W Kennedy and two applications fore (sic) common rights were granted. Namely Martha Franks, Edward O'Farrell. Jacob Dunkel Chairman & Sec.

1891. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell.7.

Gustav Voigt, C Stassforth, James Martin, C Ferguson, T Franks, Ah Lam, George McLeod.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkell	5	
Manuel Lewis	4	18
Sing Wing Jang	4	
William Tacke	2	
Jullus Wannick	2	18
C F Franks	5	15
George McLeod	16	2
John J Franks	9	14
Henry Theobald	6	14
Henry Theobald jr	1	
Michael McDonnell	3	6
James McDonnell	2	2
John J McDonnell	1	2
David Munro	7	10
John J O'Farrell	3	1
Edward 0'Farrell	1	3
Jerimiah O'Farrell	1	2
James Lynch		4
Thomas Lynch	6	2
Patrick M Lynch	2	11
John J Martin	1	4
James J Martin	3	3
Duncan McKinnon	5	4
Carolina McIntyre	1	4
Alice Phillips	1	
M Phillips		4
Daniel Hopkins	5	
Frank Buckerfield	4	
John Tyrrell	4	
Francis Hyde	4	4
Alfred Wilkinson	4	12
Samuel Wilkinson	1	
32	111	159

Common Income £15-1-9 Ex. £14-18-0 StockTax£2-1-0. Survey extention on common£8-10-0 John J Martin forgoing to Sofala 7/-

1892 Bathurst Rainfall 31.29 ins.

00-00-1892 Thomas Durack foreclosed on Duncan Ferguson and took over "Warrie".

09-01-1892 An Advertised Public Meeting held at Jacob Dunkels to elect Trustees for Palmers Oakey Common for ensuing 3 years. 1 J Dunkel, proposed by Thomas Lynch seconded George McLeod. 2 John Alexander McKinnon proposed by David Munro seconded George McLeod. 3 William Lewis proposed by Edward O'Farrell seconded J Dunkel. 4 Francis Henry Buckerfield proposed by Henry Theobald seconded William Lewis. 5 Daniel Hopkins proposed by Jerimiah O'Farrell

seconded Henry Theobald. J Dunkel chairman of meeting. A meeting was then held to hear the expenditure etc of the common.

31-02-1892 Common Trustees meeting to elect chairman and sec. Moved F H Buckerfield seconded William Lewis that Jacob Dunkel be chairman and sec on a salary of £3-00 per annum.

04-06-1892 Public meeting when it was agreed to come to some agreement with John J Martin so as to stop him from impounding common stock. J Dunkel chairman.

11-06-1892 A common trustees meeting to make an agreement with John J Martin, could not agree on the stand the trustees took against fencing J Dunkel chairman.

28-06-1892 A common trustees meeting at J Dunkels where an agreement with John J Martin to allow common stock to depasture on his lease of 740 acres without impounding. J Dunkel chairman.

27-07-1892 Duncan Ferguson made application to the Stock and Brands branch of the Dep of Mines, to brand his horses and cattle with DF:

26-08-1892 Alfred Herbert Richard Theobald born

STORE STOCK SALE.

AT THE CORPORATION SALE YARDS. - BATHURST.

WEDNESDAY NEXT, SEPT. 28

AT 1 00 O'CLOCK.

150 head Mixed Store CATTLE (all local Bred)

500 Grand Store WETHERS. .

15 Saddle and Light Draught HORSES (born Palmers Oakey)

A Grand Team of 14 WORKING BULL0CKS

T Durack will sell by public auction, at the. Corporation Yards .on WEDNESDAY NEXT, Sept. 28th, at 1 o'clock, ' THE ABOVE STORE STOCK.

TO SQUATTERS, CAPITALISTS, STOCK . DEALERS, ETC.

PALMER'S OAKEY STATION.

T Durack has received instructions from D Ferguson Esq to sell by Public Auction at the ROYAL HOTEL BATHURST

on Monday 17th October,1892

At 3 PM

THE ABOVE SPLENDID STATION,

Consisting of —

44 Acres FREE HOLD

10,200 Acres ANNUAL LEASE (all on Goldfield Reserve, and cannot be selected),

Fenced and sub. divided into 7 Paddocks by 27 ½ miles of nearly new wire fencing, 8 miles log fencing, good house, woolshed, garden, cultivation paddocks, yards, etc.

The country is nearly all Box and Appletree Permanently watered by Palmer's Oakey and Reedy Creeks This is a splendid sheep country, perfectly sound and healthy, well grassed and only 20 miles from Mudgee railway 28 miles from Bathurst by main road.'

For further particulars apply to **T Durack Auctioneer Bathurst.**

19-11-1892 Common trustees meeting at J Dunkels, secretary instructed to issue notices to have all stock given in on or before 20-12-1892. J Dunkel chairman

31-12-1892 An advertised public meeting at J Dunkels to revise common roll, also a meeting to hear the balance sheet. Also a trustees meeting to concide the applications for common rights from Duncan Ferguson Jnr, Charles Peet Ferguson, Julius Wannick Jnr, E H Kearney all of Palmers Oakey. J Dunkel chairman.

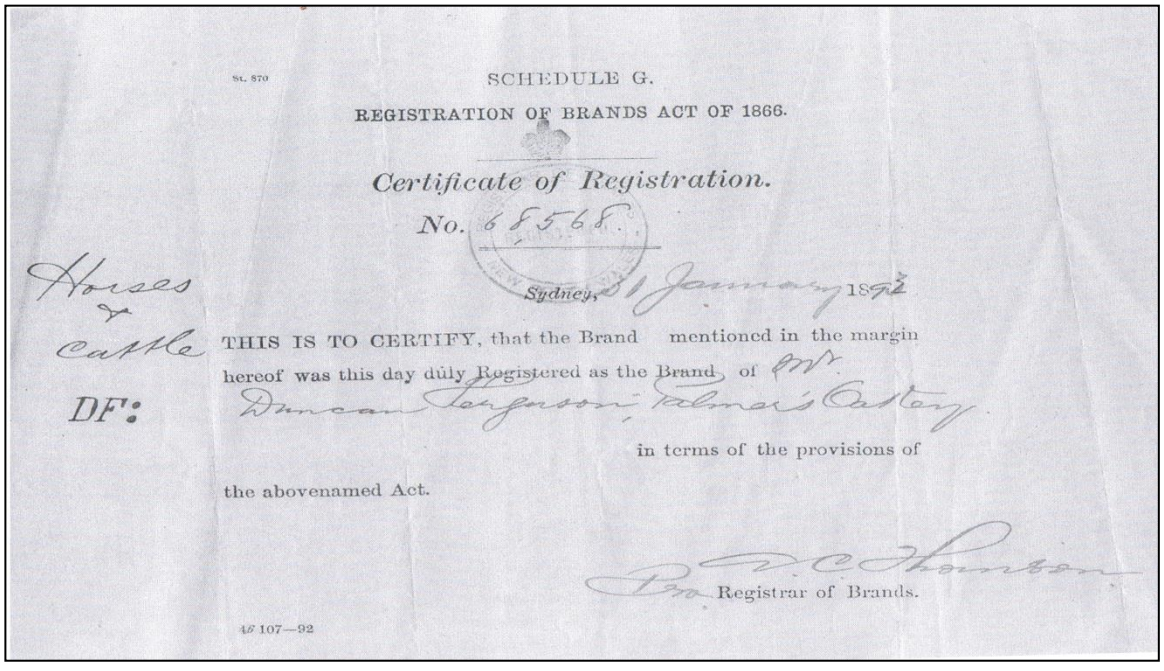
1892. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell. 11.

A Franks 4. T Pallett, C Ferguson, C D Franks, B M Binning, E R Franks, Ah Charm, Ah Low.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkel	4	
William Tacke	3	
John Tyrrell	4	
Carolina Mcintyre	1	4
Charles Franks	6	16
Julius Wannick	3	21
F H Buckerfield	4	
M Phillips		9
Alice Phillips		9
Daniel Hopkins	4	
George McLeod	17	3
James McDonnell	2	2
John McDonnell	2	3
Michael McDonnell	5	5
Martha Franks	2	
John Franks	7	16
Henry Theobald	7	17
John J Martin		5
Henry Theobald Jnr	1	
William Lewis	4	15
Francis Hyde	4	7
Davie Munro	9	16
Thomas Lynch	8	5
Patrick M Lynch	1	12
James Lynch	5	
John O'Farrell	3	3
Jerimiah O'Farrell	3	7
Edward O'Farrell	1	
John A McKinnon	1	4
Duncan McKinnon	6	10
James J Martin	3	22
Sing Wing Jang	3	
A E Wilkinson	2	
Samuel Wilkinson	1	
Alfred Wilkinson	1	17
Peter Theobald	1	
John A McIntyre		13
38	121	246

Common Income £17-0-11
Expenditure £13-9- 5
Stock Tax £ 2-17-4



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SCHEDULE G.

REGISTRATION OF BRANDS ACT OF 1866.

Certificate of Registration.

No. 68568

Sydney, 31 January 1892

Horses & cattle

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the Brand mentioned in the margin hereof was this day duly Registered as the Brand of Mr. Duncan Ferguson, Palmer's Oakey

DF:

in terms of the provisions of the abovenamed Act.

W. C. Thornton

Registrar of Brands.

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1893 Bathurst Rainfall 31.46 ins.

00-00-1893 Virginia Isabella Smith born (married Boulden)

03-01-1893 Olive May Franks born (married Henry Theobald Jr.18-09-1911)

05-01-1893 Ewen Peter McKinnon born.

07-01-1893 Quarterly common meeting held at J Dunkels at which a proposal made by George McLeod to have 17 head of his stock allowed free of charge on account of his lease of 640 acres adjoining the Palmers Oakey common on the east side and a few head of the commoners stock tresspassing thereon. Not granted. J Dunkel chairman.

00-04-1893 Sergeant Wright from Sunny Corner had an encounter with "Slippery Jack" the bushranger on Mt Horrible, they took a shot at each other, Jack had a misfire, Wright missed, Jack threw a stone and hit Sergeant Wright on the head and knocked him out. Slippery made good his escape leaving behind all his illgotten goods.

01-04-1893 Quarterly meeting of common trustees held to concider a motion brought forward by Daniel Hopkins to cancel John J Martins and James J Martins common rights On account of all the trustees not being present meeting was posponed to 15-4-93. J Dunkel chairman.

15-04-1893 Posponed common trustees meeting. Only one trustee present besides the chairman, meeting lasped. J Dunkel chairman.

11-07-1893 HENLEY (late of the Upper Turon) are respectfully invited to attend his funeral. to move from his late residence No. 82 James-street. Redfern, THIS AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for the R C. Cemetery, Rookwood.

00-09-1893 Dulabree school changed to house to house school.

02-09-1893 An advertised public meeting on Palmers Oakey Creek to elect a trustee in place of Daniel Hopkins resigned. The following gentleman was duly elected. Mr David Munro proposed by Henry Theobald and seconded by Francis H Buckerfield. Carried. J Dunkel chairman.

23-09-1893 A special trustees meeting to concider a proposal made by John J Martin to the trustees, as the proposal could not be entertained, the meeting was posponed to the 7-10-83. Also common rights wore granted to Duncan Ferguson Senr. And Francis N Franks both of Palmers Oakey. J Dunkel chairman.

07-10-1893 Posponed common meeting held but John J Martin not apearing the meeting lasped. After the meeting the trustees decided to send two into Bathurst fore Solicitors advice. J Dunkel chairman.

09-10-1893 Palmer's Oakey Cemetery. — Mr. J. E. Tonkin, M.P., has just .obtained for the ornamentation of the Palmer's Oakey Cemetery a box of tree plants which he has had forwarded to the Kelso Railway Station. He had previous to this obtained a grant of £76 for the purpose of fencing the cemetery, and the residents have cleared the cemetery, and fenced the same, and now intend planting it.

25-11-1893 Common trustees meeting , it was resolved to cancel the Common Rights of the undermentioned. John J Martin, James J Martin, E O'Farrell, J O'Farrell, John O`Farrell, E J O'Farrell, Patrick M Lynch, John McDonnell Henry Theobald, Peter Theobald, and Henry Theobald Jnr. Notices were sent to the before mentioned commoners to inform them that their common rights would be cancelled at the next revission of the commoners roll of the Palmers Oakey Common. Also instructions were given to the sec. to issue notices that all stock had to be given in to the sec on or before 23-12-1893 with brands and descriptions, also 1/- per head for all stock over 6mts. J Dunkel chairman.

23-12-1893 An advertised public meeting hold at J Dunkels for the revision of the Palmers Oakey Common Roll when the following rights were cancelled. Patrick M Lynch , common right extended for 6mts and after 30-6-94 non resident common right to be cancelled. John J Martin, James J Martin, E O'Farrell, John O`Farrell, E J O'Farrell, Jere O'Farrell, H Theobald Jnr, H Theobald Snr, Peter Theobald,. The above common rights were cancelled for non resident. After the meeting the under mentioned applications for common rights were received for having Builtt: (sic) their residents on the common. E J O'Farrell, Henry Theobald Snr, Henry Theobald Jnr, Peter Theobald, John Theobald, all of which were granted. J Dunkel chairman and sec.

1893. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 8.

C.Stafsforth, D Ferguson, Mary Munro, Ah Low, G McLeod, P Martin, Mrs J J Franks, Ah Charm.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkel	4	
Caroline McIntyre	1	7
William Tacke	3	
John Tyrrell	4	
Sing W Jang	3	
George Bush		3
Daniel Hopkins	6	
Henry Theobald Jr	1	1
Henry Theobald Snr	8	16
F H Buckerfield	6	
F Hyde	4	7
John Th Franks	8	17
James Lynch	2	7
Patrick M Lynch	4	19
Thomas Lynch	4	6
Mrs A Phillips	1	12
Jere O'Farrell	1	
E J O'Farrell	2	8
John O'Farrell		9
John A McKinnon	2	23
C F Franks	6	16
E H Kearney	2	
Alfred Wilkinson	1	16
Duncan McKinnon	4	5
Samuel Wilkinson	1	
John McDonnell	3	6
Michael McDonnell	5	12

William Lewis	5	17
James J Martin	2	23
John J Martin	1	4
George McLeod	15	2
Martha Franks	1	
Davie Munro & son	11	19
James McDonnell	7	
John Tyrrell	1	
Julius Wannick	1	20
A E Wilkinson	2	
Julius Wannick Jr	2	6
Duncan Ferguson Jr	10	14
Charles P Ferguson	11	14
Peter C Theobald	2	
41	157	309

Common Income £15-14-8 Expenditure £11-0-9 Stock Tax £3-15-4

1894 Bathurst Rainfall 27.06 ins.

17-11-1894 Common trustees meeting. Orders given to sec to post notices to have all stock given in not later than 26-12-94. J Dunkel chairman and sec.

24-08-1894 Alexander Lewis Theobald born

04-10-1894 SHEEP KILLING AND STEALING Ernest Trescott (18) and Louis Wannick (15) were indicted for having, at Palmer's Oakey, on and April, 1894, feloniously stolen one sheep the property of Henry Theobald. Prisoners pleaded guilty. Mr. Thompson, who appeared for accused, said he proposed to call evidence as to character, and to ask his Honour to deal with them under the First Offenders Act. Prisoner Wannick was only 15 years of age when the offence was committed. The Crown Prosecutor stated that prisoners had been seen on Theobald's run, where some sheep had been shot ; prisoner Wannick had stated when arrested that Trescott had shot the sheep, and he had helped him to skin it ; the skin was found on the run by Theobald, junr., and the carcase was traced to the hut of a Chinaman, to whom the lads had sold it. Mr. Theobald, in answer to his Honour, said he had known accused for a long time, but could not say anything about their behaviour ; they were living by themselves at Three- Pennyweight ; he saw them shooting 'possums in his place. Julius Wannick, accused's father, deposed that his son was about 16 years of age, and always until recently lived with him ; he had always been well-behaved so far as witness knew, and so had Trusoott. The C.P. said that the police knew nothing else against the lads. ' Mr. Thompson handed in certificates of character from the school-teacher, the store keeper, and others, who testified that they had known Wannick for many years as an honest, hard-working lad. In answer to His Honour, the C.P. said that Trescott had shot the sheep. His Honour asked what could be done with these lads ? To send them to gaol would no doubt do them harm. Mr. Thompson said they could be dealt with under the First Offenders' Act, and pointed out the section. His Honour referred to the clumsiness of the Act, and said he had frequently pointed out the difficulty of its provisions. In the first place it provided that an accused should submit himself to the gaol for Identification. This' be thought, most undesirable, as it was calculated to make him what was known as a gaolbird.' They must report themselves at certain intervals and serve simply as a ticket-of-leave holder. The better way in this case for sureties to be entered into for their good behaviour, and they could be released to come up for sentence when called upon. Mr. Wannick said he would become surety for both. His Honour then lectured the boys on their foolish and wicked conduct, and expressed hope that their experience would be a warning to them. They should gratefully remember the leniency he now extended to them, as it was intended to save them from becoming criminals and give them an opportunity of becoming honest men. Both lads were then bound over in the sum of £100 to be of good behaviour and come up for sentence within two years if called upon. Mr. Wannick was bound over as surety in a similar amount. The court then adjourned for the night

29-12-1894 An advertised Public meeting held to revise common roll lasped for want of attendance of trustees and was posponed to 5-1 -95. J Dunkel sec.

1894. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 10.

F N Franks, Ida Franks, Henry Kirby, Hanna Franks, C D Franks, Thomas Deigna ?., Henry Duggan, Chin Choun, T B Binning, C Binning.

1894 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Daniel Hopkins	6	
Jacob Dunkel	4	
William Tacke	4	
John Tyrrell	3	
Sing Wing Jang	3	
William Smith	1	
Francis N Franks	3	16
Duncan Ferguson Snr	7	18
Charles F Franks	4	13
Michael McDonnell	6	15
James McDonnell	9	8
John Th Franks	8	20
Duncan Ferguson Jr	14	11
Charles Peet Ferguson	4	21
Francis Hyde	5	8
Alice Phillips	1	
M Phillips		14
F H Buckerfield	7	
George Bush		4
William Lewis	5	20
E H Kearney	1	6
C V McIntyre	1	6
Henry Theobald Snr	8	17
Henry Theobald Jr	1	
Peter Theobald		2

Peter Munro	9	9
David Munro	4	19
E J O'Farrell		12
Julius Wannick	1	12
Julius Wannick Jr		11
Duncan McKinnon		13
George McLeod	15	1
Patrick Lynch	4	21
Thomas Lynch	5	12
James Lynch	3	10
Alfred Wilkinson	1	20
John A McKinnon	4	25
A E Wilkinson	4	
38	155	364

Common Income £17-15-3 Expenditure £21-5-8 leaving a Cr. balance of £25-16-8 Stock Tax £4-5-2

1895 Bathurst Rainfall 23.67 ins.

00-00-1895 Conrod Strassforth, died from heart disease, born Germany 1825

00-00-1895 Elsie Minna Smith born.

05-01-1895 Public meeting hold at J Dunkels to revise common roll, also to elect trustees for the ensuing 3 years. Jacob Dunkel proposed by Francis Hyde seconded David Munro, Francis Henry Buckerfield proposed by D Munro seconded by Henry Theobald, David Munro proposed by Thomas Lynch seconded by E H Kearney, James McDonnell proposed by J Dunkel seconded by Peter Theobald, Henry Theobald Jr proposed by F H Buckerfield seconded by Michael McDonnell.
Common rights granted to Mary Lynch of Upper Turon, Ewen McC. Ferguson, Harry Hayes, Jerime C Harven of Palmers Oakey--- J Dunkel chairman .

19-01-1895 Common trustees meeting held at Jacob Dunkels to elect chairman for ensuing 3 years. Jacob Dunkel was elected chairman and secretary.

27-03-1895 Henry John Hayes married Florence Mary Franks at her fathers house at Palmers Oakey.

06-04-1895 Common meeting. No business, No meeting.

30-04-1895 Henneitta McKinnon born.

18-05-1895 S. D. Telegraph"). At Sunny Corner two parties, each composed of two men, have come upon a very nice patch of gold in Palmers Oakey Creek, about four miles above the junction of the Turon River. The country is alluvial in character ; the sinking is about 22ft. Binning and party made about £1000 in the same locality some years ago. One of the parties, assisted by two men, has been working at the claims, and obtained 36oz. of gold of splendid color in pieces varying from 9dwt. to l oz. A number of fossickers are also making a living on the field, in addition to several Chinamen. There appears to be more activity in the district than has obtained for years past

00-08-1895 Bushranger "Slippery Jack" raided miners' huts at top of PO creek and took most of their belongings.

15-08-1895 Duncan Ferguson Snr died.

17-08-1895 Duncan Ferguson buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery. John McKinnon acted as undertaker with M Galagher JP reading the service. George McLeod and William Smith witnessed certificate.

07-09-1895 Common. No business no meeting.

12-09-1895 Warrie sold to William Gilbert Thompson (Bathurst Post Master)

00-10-1895 Dulabree school half time with Limekilns school.

11-10-1895 Ethel Endor Franks born

16-11-1895 Common trustees meeting at J Dunkels . Sec instructed to post notices to have all stock given in on or before 24-12-95 also 1/- per head for all stock over 6 mts. Common rights granted to Mrs Ferguson widow and Isaac Newland both of Palmers Oakey. J Dunkel Chairman and Sec.

31-12-1895 An advertised public meeting at J Dunkels to revise common roll. The following names were struck off, Sing Wing Jang, Duncan Ferguson Snr, Peter Aitiken, . Balance sheet of common was read to the public.

1895. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 30.

James H Johnstone, G Curtis 6, H Asher, A Morgan, J Franks, G Robert, J L Taylor, E McKinnon, W Hanks, C Jones, J McKinnon, P O'Connor, Charles L Curds, Robert McKinnon---. Powell, G Bowes.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS.

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Daniel Hopkins	6	
Sing Wing Jang	3	
Julius Wannick Jr	1	10
Julius Wannick Snr	2	22
F H Buckerfield	8	
C F Franks	4	21
F N Franks	5	8
Duncan McKinnon	6	8
E J O'Farrell		8
David Munro		25
Peter Munro	11	
Francis Hyde,	5	12
William Tacke,	3	
Michael McDonnell	7	18
John Tyrrell	2	
A E Wilkinson	3	
Daniel Hopkins	6	
Thomas Lynch	5	20

James Lynch	5	20
Manuel Lewis	4	19
Henry Theolbald	6	19
John A McKinnon	4	21
John T Franks	7	15
A Wilkinson	1	19
Peter Theobald	1	1
Duncan Ferguson Jr	10	15
Charles P Ferguson	10	15
Ewen McC Ferguson	7	18
Duncan Ferguson Snr	4	19
C V McIntyre	1	8
Harry Hayes	1	
John C Harven	1	
E H Kearney	1	2
Jannes McDonnell	6	6
M Phillips		13
Alice Phillips	1	
John Theobald	1	
Henry Theobald Jr	1	
George McLeod	12	1
George Bush		?
40	161	363

Common Income £49-6-2 Expenditure £7-15-2 Stock Tax £3-3-9

1896

00-00-1896 Sunny Corner mines almost closed.

04-01-1896 Common trustees meeting at J Dunkels. It was resolved to let Mr J Tyrrells stock depasture free of charge on Palmers Oakey common for 1894 and future years , also that J H Franks and George McLeod to have their stock tree on the common on account of their leased land adjoining the common and of which land the common stock will have the benifit and there is to be no impounding on either side and the amount so lost will be respectivIy as follows; J Tyrrell 2/- J H Franks 18/- George,McLeod 13/- Total £1-13-0 which sum will have to be deducted from the accounts as made up on 31-12-95. J Dunkel chairman.

04-02-1896 George Hyland, sen , and George Hyland, jun , father and son were charged with stealing a mare at Upper Turon The elder prisoner was acquitted The jury had not agreed as to the younger man. Bathurst quarter sessions.

00-02-1896 Slippery Jack the bushrangers camp was found at Eagle Hawks Nest in the head of the Palmers Oakey creek. Three police and four locals raided the camp, shots were fired but "Slippery" escaped into the bush. That night he robbed a miner to get food , clothes etc. Next he raided "Warrie" where he only able to take boots and calico before he was disturbed.

00-03-1896 Fifteen police searching for "Slippery Jack

01-03-1896 Palmers Oakey common No business, No meeting.

00-05-1896 Slippery Jack shot and captured near Capertee at Mt Genowlan, taken to Capertee and had a bullet removed from his leg, at Wallerawang.

To the Editor of the Daily free Press.)

Sir, — I was one of the visitors in Bathurst witnessing the distribution of prizes to the successful students, and while quite agreeing with Mr. Garrard and others at the advisability of a Technical College at Bathurst, I thought, and still, think, a difference in the course of instruction at Palmer's Oakey quite as essential. For instance, a full time school instead of a half time one, which latter does not give credit to either teacher or pupils. There are quite enough children on the roll and attendance to entitle the place to a full time. Parents here send the children or not, No one seems to care whether they attend or not, although particular instructions appear to be given about the school fee. For instance, if a child attends this week he must be paid for next whether the flood (as there is a creek to cross) pre vents him or not. Another matter that requires looking into is that there is not any provision for water; each child has to carry a bottle or some other vessel for drinking— not even water for washing hands or slates at the school. Considering the revenue derived from the place I do not see why the children's welfare should not be looked after a little better. Yours, etc., ONE WHO LIKES TO SEE JUSTICE. Palmer's Oakey, 6/6/1896.

27-07-1896 "Slippery Jack sentenced at Bathurst to 5 years gaol

01-09-1896 Amelia Ann (Dot) Theobald born. (Married Arthur Hyde)

MONDAY, Sept 7th, 1896. (Before the P.M. ,Dr Bassett, and the Hon. P. Jago Smith, J.P.) PROPOSED CONDITIONAL LICINSE. Charles P. Franks applied for a conditional publican's license, for a house proposed to be erected at Palmer's Oakey at the Corner of Sofala and Bathurst roads. Mr. Thompson appeared for the applicant. The report from the police was unfavourable, the objections being based on the following; grounds :— That the quiet and good order of the neighbourhood in which such premises are situated would be disturbed if the license was granted. That the reasonable requirements of the neighbourhood do not justify the granting of such a license. Mr. Thompson applied for a postponement of the case until the next quarterly meeting, when the applicant would be prepared with evidence to meet the objections, The postponement was allowed.

10-09-1896 Palmers Oakey common trustees to concider a letter from Mr Jabek Brown requesting the trustees to order Mr H Theobald Snr to remove a fence of his which was on crown lands. The answer returned to his letter was that we could not comply with his request. J Dunkel chairman.

TUESDAY, October 6th.1896 (Before the Police Magistrate and Dr. Bassett, J.P.) APPLICATION FOR PALMER'S OAKEY. Charles Francis Franks, of Palmer's Oakey, applied for a conditional publican's license for a house proponed to be erected at Palmer's Oakey, at the corner of Sofala and Bathurst roads. Mr. Thompson appeared for the applicant. Sergeant Morris deposed : In addition to the objections already lodged I now question the fitness of applicant to hold the license, on the grounds that applicant has been fined £5 for assaulting his mother ; this was in December, 1891, at Sofala court ; on another occasion he was fined at the police court for a breach of the Slaughtering Act. Mr. Thompson said that this matter was sprung upon him and he must have evidence upon it. The witness said that these facts were not known to him when he gave notice. Mr. Thompson said he would show what the police were capable of doing to win their case. Senior-sergeant Morris : What are . the police capable of doing ; I gave you verbal notice ; I intended to make these objections. Mr. Thompson said that the offence against the. Slaughtering Act was easily explained. Mr. Franks had given notice as to slaughtering a beast. The letter was miscarried and a summons issued against Franks, who was fined, but when the explanation was given the fine was remitted. Witness : I

produce a petition signed objecting to the license : the signatures will be vouched for. To Mr. Thompson : I have not known this district ; do not know there were three licensed houses there at one time ; know nothing of applicant ; cannot say that many of these signatures are in the same hand. Sergeant Wright, of Sunny Corner, deposed : That portion of the district for which on application for a license has been made is under my supervision; I do not think the requirements of the place will justify the granting of such application! and by the granting of such application I believe the good order of the district will be interfered with ; in 1891 applicant was fined for assaulting his mother ; at the present time there are two charges pending. Mr. Thompson objected. Some person had laid an information against Mr. Franks for using abusive language. The case was not heard, and as it was not a conviction it should not be brought up. We knew the facts of the case, and this was piling on the agony. He would show that the costs would be given against the man who laid the information. The man who was chiefly responsible for getting up this petition was the same. The Bench ruled that this evidence could not be given. Witness looked at the petitions : I know a number of the signatures. The Bench ruled that petitions can be got up for or against a person very easily and they attached little importance to them. Witness : The signatures were those' of applicant's mother and members of his family. To the Bench : The population of the district within a radius of four miles would be 14 families ; I have been in the district for 19 years ; there was a licensed house there years before, but there was no trade and it closed ; there is a junction of four roads near to their place but there is little traffic ; you might travel the road five days in the week but not meet a soul ; there is not sufficient traffic to keep an hotel ; there is a mining plant going up within a few miles of the place ; the families around there say it would be advantageous if the license was not granted. To Mr. Thompson : Twenty-five or 30 years ago there were three licensed houses there; McKinnon closed for want of trade the population has fallen off at Palmer's Oakey as much as it has at Sunny Corner since 1884 ; amongst the signatures to the petition produced in favor of the applicant are many from Wattle Flat, Sunny Corner, Peel and other places ; at the instigation of a letter I received I made certain suggestions after which the petitions objecting to the applications were signed ; the letter was signed by J. T. Franks, who is a rival business man to applicant ; do not know that he is a sworn enemy of applicant ; it is a month since I was down at the battery ; there were then ten men working there. Sergeant Wright was recalled by Mr. Thompson : I have often called at Franks' house and had meals there ; have never stayed there at night ; his wife is a motherly, kind woman and bears an excellent character the former licensee allowed the license to laspe ; he used to drink;

To the Bench: When put out applicant is a violent man and a great man to talk ; know nothing about the assault case ; he is a temperate man ; never knew him to be under the influence of drink. . This was the case for the objectors. . In support of the application witnesses were called James Cassidy, auctioneer, deposed that he had been in business over 30 years ; had known Franks all this time and he held an excellent character ; he had dealt largely with him ; the proposed hotel is at the junction of four roads, and an hotel would be an advantage to the neighborhood ; frequently witness had business out there and if there was an accommodation house there he would more frequently go; he had to stay with friends now ; his transactions with witness are from £80 to £100 a month for fat cattle— far more than would feed fourteen families; Franks is a very temperate man and not violent in his manner; his wife would make as good a landlady as there is in the country. To Senior-sergeant Morris : Palmers Oakey is 3O miles from Bathurst ; I have been there twice within the last twelve months I know that there are gold-diggers out there ; have met men on the road ; there is another butcher in the vicinity ; I would not believe that Franks could be fined for assaulting his mother.

Mr. Thompson : Nor anyone else. Robert Nelson, mining broker, deposed that a good deal of mining is now going on two miles from Franks' ; the only place that witness and a party could get accommodation was at Franks' private house; from his extensive experience, a house was needed ; the country is auriferous, and if a first class house was established there very many people would go out. Seg.-Sergeant Morris : Do you swear that the house would be an advantage to the miners ? The P.M. said that this was not the question ; they must consider the public, not one individual. Witness : The opening plant is now in work ; others have been developed in the vicinity. George Edward Machattie deposed that he had known applicant for years ; knew the position where it is proposed to erect the hotel; accommodation was very much needed there for mining investors and others; a house well kept is absolutely necessary. Louis Edgley, merchant, deposed to knowing applicant for several years ; have seen him frequently and he was always straight forward and temperate ; the position of the house proposed is good and one very much needed ; Franks is a peaceably inclined man ; on one occasion his mother was very violent, but he himself was quiet ; Thomas Franks has shown bitter feeling towards applicant ; he is a violent-tempered man ; Mrs. Franks is a kind woman, with good business habits. To Senior-sergeant Morris : Have been out there three or four times ; I send large supplies there; on one day I was there, there was a quarrel because the mother wanted to claim some goods. Charles Francis Franks, applicant, deposed: I have lived at Palmer's Oakey a great many years ; I only am interested in this matter ; I intend carrying on the business ; I think I am justified in going to the expense of building ; I held two licenses in Bathurst ; I never had a black mark against me by the police ; I sold the house because of depression in trade ; Mr. B. Lee, P.M., then complimented me on' the conduct of my house ; there are more than 14 families within sight of my place; there is a great deal of traffic on the ground ; we frequently have applications for lodgings and accommodation ; both my wife and I are temperate, and have never been under the influence of drink ; I was once prosecuted under the Licensing Act, but the conviction was set aside as I was not blameable ; in 1891, I was summoned for assaulting my brother ; my father died intestate and I was asked to administer ; some time after wards some misunderstanding took place and one night while in bed a fire stick was placed under my room ; some steps at the door were removed and I fell down ; two women ran away and I followed them ; one was my mother, but I swear most positively I never raised a hand against her ; I made a complaint to the police of the fire ; six months afterwards, after other family disagreements, information was sworn against me for assaulting my mother ; I was not allowed to give evidence, and appealed, but it was not heard; I was fined £6, although I never touched my mother ; there were once three public houses at Palmer's Oakey ; Millett and Taylor made their money there ; the population is larger now than it was then ; it would be an advantage to the public to have the licensed house. Mr. Thompson handed in certificates of character from Mr. J. McKinnon, J.P., and Mr. Edgley, Witness : The place is 20 miles from Sofala, 19 miles from Wattle Flat, 10 from Sunny Corner, 30 from Bathurst, and 19 from Capertee ; there is no hotel within that area. To Senior-sergeant Morris : Sergeant Fagan was in court when I was fined for assault ; the late J. B. Graham, P.M., was on the Bench ; there were two witnesses for the prosecution ; the population is increasing there, and fresh land is being taken up. Mr. Thompson, was about to address the Bench, but they said that this was unnecessary. The Police Magistrate said that this was a sparsely populated locality yet not like town or a place where there was a school or church. This was at Cross Roads, and the nearest public house was 16 miles away ; he could not conclude that the peace and good order of the neighbourhood would be interfered with. The second part of objection was more important, but the evidence of those from a distance made it clear that the house should be established there rather than that travellers should be under a compliment to private people. The Bench would grant application for a conditional license, but if after the house was built the police could substantiate the objection that the applicant was not the proper person to hold it the Bench could refuse the license.BFP

28-11-1896 Common trustees meeting was hold to issue notices to commoners to give in all stock to the sec before 26-12-96

Licensing Court, MONDAY, December 8th.1896 (Before the Police Magistrate and Dr. Bassett, J.P.) PROPOSED HOUSE AT PALMER'S OAKEY. Mr. Charles Franks, of Palmer's Oakey, applied for a confirmation of the conditional; license for an hotel at Palmer's Oakey. . The conditional license was granted in October, and since then the house had been, built in accordance with the plans Submitted to the court. Mr Thompson appeared for applicant. Sergeant McDonnell deposed, on December 23rd that he had inspected the premises and found them in accordance; with the description of the plan, he pointed but that a portion of the premises, under the roof as two of the public

bed rooms 'are fitted up as a retail store ; a detached house is used as a butcher's 'shop' By Mr. Franks, and all are enclosed by. one fence. , ' Senior-sergeant Morris, Licensing Inspector, offered objection to the license being confirmed on the ground That part of the building is used as a retail store, vide Section 10, sub-section 4 of the Licensing Act.' Mr. Thompson informed the Bench that the house was now ready. For the past they had had to fight the police. It was a case in which the police should help the applicant rather than oppose him. He had not seen the report upon which the objection was based. He had given notice to the police that the premises would be ready for inspection on a certain day, but the inspector visited there the day previous and could not report. He understood that at a subsequent inspection Sergeant McDonnell said he was satisfied. Sergeant McDonnell, Licensing Sub inspector for the District, deposed : On the 15th December late in the evening I visited the place; it was in such an un finished condition I could not inspect; on the 21st, 1 again visited the place ; found it completed in compliance with the plan submitted to the court at the original application; there is a store on the premises proposed to be licensed ; this is occupied by applicant. Mr. Thompson : The store adjoins the premises and was shown on the original plan. Witness: There. is no mention of the store on the original plan ; there is communication with the store and the public house..Mr. Thompson : I can prove there is no connection whatever between the two places. . Witness; There is a door- way between the two places, and one wall shewn on the plan is not built; if the door now shewn there was closed there would be no back entrance to the hotel. To Mr. Thompson : I did not point this out to him. Mr. Thompson : You wanted to spring it on him, now. It has cost my applicant £766 to build and stock and the police appear to treat him more as a prisoner than as an applicant for a license. Senior-sergeant Morris said the police had not done any wrong and did not de serve the censure passed upon them by Mr. Thompson. He appealed to the Bench. Mr. Thompson said his objection was that his client should have had notice before hand. The Bench said that applicant's own common sense must have told him that the premises should be quite separate. The necessary course had been followed by the police. Mr. Thompson said the police had nothing to support the objection. Witness : I told Franks that I objected to the doorway ; I did this at Limekilns. To Senior- sergeant Morris : I believe Franks is carrying on the store. Mr. Thompson applied for a postponement until the quarterly meeting unless the Bench would accept , his client's assurance that the work would be done. The Bench said that it would be postponed until the quarterly meeting, Jan. 18th, 1897. Mr. Thompson said the work could done in a few hours and application could be dealt within a week it would be an advantage to his client, who had £300 worth of goods on hand, The Beach said that the police were very busy just now, and the place was a great distance from town they could not inspect within that time, and they would postpone the matter for a fortnight. Mr. Thompson preferred, as only a week would then elapse before 'the quarterly meeting was held, to allow it to remain until that date. BFP

00-12-1896 Letter from Mines and Agriculture Dep to trust. Road contractors and maintaince men have right to use timber, soil and stone off common free of charge.

31-12-1896 An advertised public meeting was held for the revission of the common roll. One common right was granted to N P Bergland. A second meeting was held to hear the balance sheet of the Palmers Oakey common. Passed. J Dunkel chairman.

1896. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 18.

Thomas R Pearce, J McKinnon, D Ferguson, Charles L Curtiss, Robert McKinnon, C Franks, E Wolfenden, N P Bergland, J Franks, D McKinnon, Ah Charm, G D Curtiss, E McKinnon, J McNamara, Hanna Franks, E Munro, Jane V Ferguson, Ah Bow.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkel	3	
Thomas Lynch	5	10
James Lynch	5	10
Duncan Ferguson	10	10
Ewen McC Ferguson	6	15
Charles P Ferguson	5	15
Jane V Ferguson	7	18
Peter Ch Theobald	2	1
Charles F Franks	8	8
F N Franks	3	12
Michael McDonnell	6	13
James McDonnell	1	7
C V McIntyre		9
Frank Hyde	4	10
E J O'Farrell		6
Emanuel Lewis	3	16
John Tyrrell	3	
David Munro		14
Peter Munro	10	
Isaac Newland	1	
Julius Wannick Son	1	24
Julius Wannick Jr	2	
Daniel Hopkins	6	
John A McKinnon	4	19
William Tacke	3	
A Wilkinson Snr	1	8
A E Wilkinson	4	
Henry Theobald Snr	6	13
Henry Theobald Jr	2	
Miss A Phillips	5	
A M Phillips	1	
George McLeod	10	1
J Th Franks	8	15
Duncan McKinnon	5	8
James Dyson	1	
Young Gun	2	
36	143	267

Common Income £11-3-0 Expenditure £8-8-8 Stock Tax £3-6-8

1897 Bathurst Rainfall 17.48 ins.

00-00-1897 Ewen Ernest(Barney) Smith born.

00-00-1897 H A Thompson went to England with a contingent of the N S W Mounted Rifles to take part in Queen Victorias Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.

00-00-1897 Warrie mustered 10,000 sheep and cut 160 bales of wool.

MONDAY, January 18th, 1897. (Before the Police Magistrate and Dr. Bassett, J.P.) THE PALMER'S OAKEY HOTEL.

The application of Charles F. Franks for. the Royal Hotel, Palmer's Oakey, was brought on again. Mr. Thompson appeared for the applicant. Sergeant McDonnell, District Licensing Inspector, said the necessary alterations had been made, but a fence should be erected dividing the yards. Mr. Franks undertook to attend to this, and the Bench consented to grant the application on these conditions. Mr. Thompson next applied for a reduction of the license fee on account of the house being 15 miles from the nearest licensed house. The application was granted and the fee was fixed at £15.

03-02-1897 An attractive programme of sports was successfully carried through by Mr. C F. Franks on Anniversary Day on his new sports ground facing the lately opened Royal Hotel of which he is the rental host.

The attendance was not so large as was anticipated, owing no doubt to the short notice given, but the paucity of attendance was made up for in good temper and good order, Mr. Franks as an enthusiastic sportsman needs no comment and the list of prizes competed for on Tuesday last would have been quite in touch with many an older ground and promises well for all events he contemplates in the near future. He is thorough or nothing, and his programme embraced prizes for the child, the maiden, and grown woman, Mr Nowling carried out the duties of judge in it highly satisfactory manner, and so ended a pleasant holiday.

23-02-1897 A Cricket match between Palmer's Oakey and Gold Top Cricket Clubs came off on Saturday on the former's ground, and resulted in a win for the Gold Tops by three wickets and five runs. In the evening the visiting team were entertained at dinner at the Royal. The catering being in the bands of Mrs. C. Franks was a sufficient guarantee as to quality and abundance. The table decorations and attendance were all that could be desired by the most fastidious. The usual toasts and speeches brought the day to a close, and : although one to the bad the Oakeyites gave their visitors a hearty send off. BFP

25-05-1897 John Tyrrell died. buried Palmers Oakey cemetery.

1897 . Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell

Hannah Franks, E Wolfenden, Ah Bow, Mrs M Dunn, H R Jones, A Barber, Fred Bradley, J D Curbs, C Smith, R Franks, George D Curtis, Henry Arter, Laurence O'Shea, L McKinnon, Robert McKinnon, Charles Bradfoot, J Blakey, Ida Franks, Ah Charm, John Ferguson.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkel	3	
Thomas Lynch	5	20
Duncan Ferguson	14	10
Ewen McC Ferguson	7	14
Charles P Ferguson	5	10
Jane V Ferguson	2	12
Charles F Franks	3	
F N Franks	3	
Michael McDonnell	6	13
James McDonnell	1	5
Frank Hyde	4	14
E J O'Farrell		5
Emanuel Lewis	2	15
John Tyrrell	2	
David Munro	7	7
Julius Wannick Sen		16
Jullus Wannick Jr	3	
Daniel Hopkins	7	
John A McKinnon	4	5
William Tacke	3	
A Wilkinson Snr	1	8
A E Wilkinson	2	2
Henry Theobald Snr	8	15
Henry Theobald Jr	1	
Miss A Phillips		12
A M Phillips	1	
George McLeod	8	
J Th Franks	8	11
Duncan McKinnon	5	2
James Dyson	1	
Young Gun	2	
Caroline McIntyre		12
F H Buckerfield	7	
N Peter Bergland	1	
…….		
34	125	208

Stock Tax £2-18-4

1898 Bathurst Rainfall 18.46 ins.

00-00-1898	Common wrote to Mr.Phillips at Cobar, H Simpson at Helenbrough, and James Martin at Cobar.
08-01-1898	An advertised Public Meeting was held at Jacob Dunkels place on Palmers Oakey Creek to elect Trustees for the Palmers Oakey Common. The following gentlemen wore duly elected, Jacob Dunkel, Jeremiah James O'Farrell, Henry Theobald Jnr, Francis Newton Franks, James Hyde. J. Dunkel chairman and Sec.
05-02-1898	Common Trustees Meeting . Jacob Dunkel elected chairman of Trustees. Also a meeting was held by the trustees to tak (sic) into consideration of fencing in the Eastern Side of the common and orders were given to issue Notices to the commoners to attend a public meeting on 19-5-98 for the before mentioned purpose. J Dunkel Chair and Sec.
03-04-1898	Duncan Leslie McKinnon born.
23-04-1898	Common trustees meeting it was decided to pay into the Treasury the sum of ten pounds for the resurvey of the eastern boundary of the Palmers Oakey Common. Common right was granted to George Bowers of Palmers Oakey. J Dunkel chairman and sec.
19-05-1898	Public meeting at which it was decided to fence in the Eastern side of the common and instructions was given to write for a surveror to have the Eastern Boundary line resurveryed. Common rights were granted to John O'Farrell resident of Palmers Oakey. J Dunkel Chairman and Sec.,
27-05-1898	Common trustees meeting. A resolution was carried to send bills to all commoners who were in arears of payment with their common fees with the view to get in all arears so as to begin fencing the eastern side of the common . Present all trustees, J Dunkel chairman and sec.
08-10-1898	An advertised public meeting was held at Palmers Oakey to elect two Trustees in the place of Jacob Dunkel and Francis N Franks who have resigned, when the following gentlemen were duly elected, Michael McDonnell proposed by Francis Hyde seconded by John O'Farrell carried. Peter Munro proposed D Ferguson seconded by Henry Theobald Jr. carried. Jacob Dunkel chairman of the meeting John O'Farrell secretary.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkel	2	
Duncan Ferguson	14	11
Ewen McC Ferguson	8	6
Charles P Ferguson	4	4
Jane V Ferguson	2	9
Charles F Franks	4	14
F N Franks	1	
Michael McDonnell	4	
Frank Hyde	5	7
E J O'Farrell	1	4
Emanual Lewis	3	17
David Munro	6	3
Julius Wannick Sen/J '	1	27
Daniel Hopkins	5	
John A McKinnon	4	7
A Wilkinson Snr		12
A E Wilkinson	1	5
Henry Theobald Jr	1	
A M Phillips	1	9
George McLeod	8	
J Th Franks	9	4
Duncan McKinnon	4	4
James Dyson	1	
Young Gun	2	
Carolina McIntyre		12
F H Buckerfield	7	
William Tacke	3	
Charles D Franks	1	
Peter Munro	5	4
Henry Theobald Snr	5	15
30	111	183

Common Expenditure £14-4-1 StockTax£2-10-6

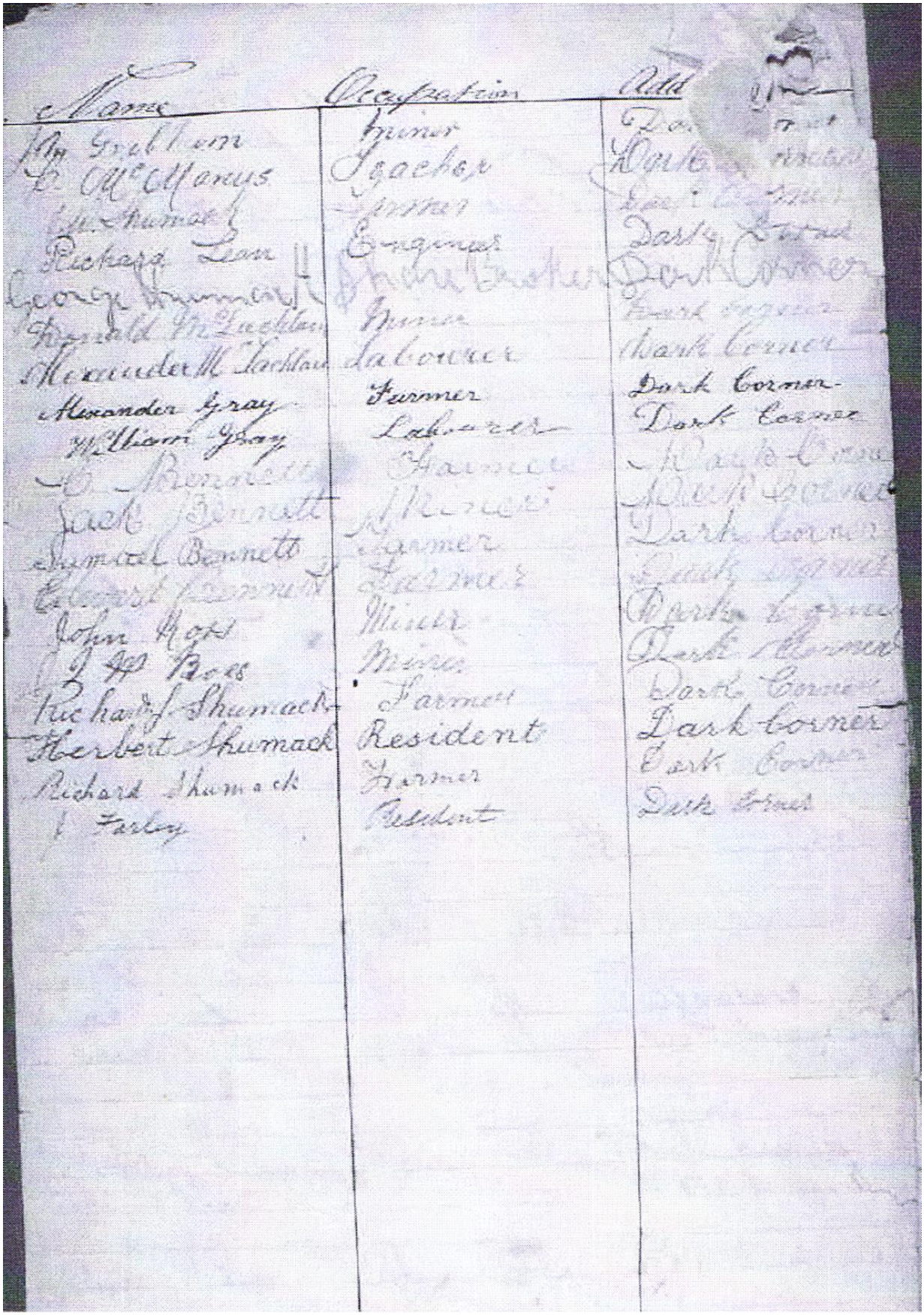
Dark Corner
June 1898

Petition for Post Office.

To the Postmaster General.

We the undersigned hereby petition for a Post Office if possible; if not then a receiving Office. For the convenience of residents, and satisfaction of Dark Corner.

Name	Occupation	Address
[illegible] Davis	Miner	Dark Corner
H. J. Lathby	Manager	Dark Corner
[illegible] Young	Engineer Saw Mill	Dark Corner
Wm Alan O'Dell Jr.	Miner	Dark Corner
John T. Martin	Blacksmith	Dark Corner
Roddom H. Young	Miner	Dark Corner
Frederick Burgess	Laborer	Dark Corner
John Knight	Miner	Dark Corner
John Knight Jun'r	Miner	Dark Corner
William Mathieson	Laborer	Dark Corner
H J Roswell	Miner	Dark Corner
Edward Ives	Miner	Dark Corner
Aiden Shumack	Miner	Dark Corner
Samuel Street	Engine Driver	Dark Corner
Edward Scott	Miner	Dark Corner
Robert C. Scott	Selfsa.	Dark Corner
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
John Parker	Farm Laborer	Dk Corner
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
H Scott	Laborer	Dark Corner
Geo Parr	Laborer	Dark Corner


Names
Occupation
Address
Farmer
Dark Corner
Dark Corner
Dark Corner

21-02-1899 Henry Theobald applied for portion 3 Dulabree, values were Cottage £15, Clearing £3, Clearing £3. Fencing £2.

22-02-1899 David Dewar Munro applied for portion 27 Dulabree and Francis Newton Franks for portion 28, the values being Barn £5. Sheds £3. Hut *4. Blacksmiths Shop £3. Buggy Shed £2. Powder Store £3. Stable £4. Slaughter House and Yards £15. Fencing 6 chains of 1 rail 5 wire and nett. 12 chains 6 wire and nett. 12 chains pailings in twisted wire. 5 chains 3 rail and nett. 5 chain 3 rail.

05-04-1899 A CHILD LOST IN THE BUSH.SUNNY CORNER, Tuesday.
Mrs. Guihot, of Mitchell's Creek, went from her house a few hundred yards to the creek to wash clothes. Without her knowledge her little girl, 2 years und 9 months old, jumped out of bed, clad only in her nightdress, to follow her, but missed the track. The child was found missing two hours after, and immediately search was made, but to no purpose. Since Saturday morning, the time of occurrence, search parties have explored the country in every direction, but to no avail Eighty persons were out on Sunday and 10 yesterday, but up to the present no trace can be found of the little one The weather since Saturday has turned bitterly cold. It is generally believed that the child has died from fatigue and suffering.

12-04-1899 Palmers Oakey Common purchased 1 ½ tons of wire from Lassitters Sydney for £12-15-00.Cartage on rail to Capertee £3-7-2. Cartage D Ferguson to Palmers Oakey £11-15-00.

25-04-1899 A trustees meeting was held at 0'Farrells camp when it was decided to get 1 ½ tons wire. M McDonnell chairman.

07-05-1899 Richard Peet (brother of Jane V Ferguson) died at Ingleburn and was buried on the 9-5-1899 at West Maitland.

19-06-1899 A trustees meeting was held at O'Farralls camp when it was decided to call tenders for making gates for the Palmers Oakey Common. M McDonnell chairman.

14-07-1899 A trustees meeting was held at 0'Farrells camp when it was decided to accept J Wilkinsons tender for making gates for the Palmers Oakey Temporary Common. Henry Theobald chairman.

01-11-1899 A Trustees meeting was held at O'Farrells camp Palmers Oakey when it was decided to make a watering place at D Hopkins for stock to get water. H Theobald chairman.

1899. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey from West Mitchell 8.

Geo D Curtis 2, C D Franks, Mrs D McKinnon, Francis Franks, Clara Franks, Samuel ??atchings.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Jacob Dunkel	2	
Duncan Ferguson	11	14
Ewen McC Ferguson	10	12
Charles P Ferguson	3	4
Jane V Ferguson	5	12
Charles F Franks	8	8
F N Franks	1	
Michael McDonnall	3	11
Frank Hyde	4	6
E J O'Farrell		3
Emanuel Lewis	3	13
David Munro	7	4
Julius Wannick	1	
John A McKinnon	2	8
A Wilkinson Snr	1	12
Henry Theobald Jr	1	
A M Phillips		9
George McLeod	9	
J Th Franks	8	8
Duncan McKinnon	4	
James Dyson	1	
Young Gun	1	
Carolina McIntyre	9	
F H Buckerfield	5	
William Tacke	2	
Charles D Franks	1	
Peter Munro	6	3
Henry Theobald Snr	5	16
George Bower	2	
A Wilkinson Jnr	2	5
Miss A Phillips	1	
James McDonnell	1	11
J Wannick Snr	1	24
John O'Farrell	2	
Daniel Hopkins	5	
35	118	195

COMMON ROLL

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Jacob Dunkel	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
Duncan Ferguson	"	Resident.
Ewen McC Ferguson	"	"
Charles P Ferguson	"	"
Jane V Ferguson	"	Resident
Charles F Franks	"	Resident Miner
F N Franks	"	"
Michael McDonnell	Upper Turon	"
Frank Hyde	Palmers Oakey	"
E J O'Farrell	Upper Turon	"

W Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
David Munro	"	Resident
Julius Wannick Jr	"	"
John A McKinnon	"	"
A Wilkinson	"	"
Henry Theolbald Jr	"	"
A Phillips	"	Resident
George McLeod	"	Teamster
J Th Franks	"	Resident Miner
Duncan McKinnon	"	"
James Dyson	"	"
Young Gun	"	Resident Gardiner
Caroline McIntyre	"	Resident
F H Buckerfield	"	Resident Miner
William Tacke	"	"
Charles D Franks	"	"
Peter Munro	"	"
Henry Theobald Snr	"	"
George Bower	"	"
A W Wilkinson	"	Teamster
Mrs M Phillips	"	Resident
James McDonnell	Upper Turon	Resident Miner
J Wannick Snr	Palmers Oakey	"
John O'Farrell	Upper Turon	"
Daniel Hopkins	Upper Turon	"
Peter Theobald	Palmers Oakey	Miner
Isacc Newland	"	Resident Miner
John Turner	Upper Turon	"
A W McKinnon	Palmers Oakey	"
John Theobald	"	"
William Smith	"	"
Ah Co	"	"
W J Wilkinson	"	"
H Lewis	"	"
Martha. Franks	Palmers Oakey	Resident
Barney Low	"	Miner
Robert Munro	"	"
Edward Wolfenden	"	"
W Theobald	"	"
Mrs Theobald	"	Resident
G Bush	"	Resident
F Stuart	Upper Turon	Resident Miner
Mrs A Smith	Palmers Oakey	Resident
Mrs M McDonnall	"	"

Common Expenditure £42-14-3 Jack Wilkinson fenced common for £21-13-00. Stock Tax £2-12-4

1900 Bathurst Rainfall 28.02 ins.

25-01-1900 License Renewed. — At the Licensing Court to-day the license held by Charles F Franks for the Royal' Hotel, Palmer's Oakey, was renewed.BFP

15-02-1900 Two miners, John Martin and Alfred Wilkinson;-had a "miraculous escape from being buried alive -at Upper -Turon through a fall of earth. Wilkinson escaped unhurt, but Martin was severely injured. He was pinned down by a heavy fall of dirt, and was pluckily rescued by Wilkinson before a further fall. which occurred immediately afterwards.

03-03-1900 A trustees meeting held on the Big Hill when it was decided to write to Mr W G Thompson re ground and to issue notices warning anyone from removing stock without acquainting the trustees and granting common rights to Robert Munro and Edward Wolfenden. M McDonnell chairman.

21-04-1900 A trustees meeting was held on the Big Hill re goats and collecting arreas of common fees for the year 1900. M McDonnell chairman

19-05-1900 A trustees meeting was hold at the Big Hill re sending bill for the year 1900 common fees and sending notices to stop further fencing in any more of the common land. D D Munro Chairman and sec of meeting.

05-06-1900 Common wrote to Sydney re females common rights.

18-06-1900 Portion 16 measured for sale by auction.

26-06-1900 Henry Theobald (snr) died aged 61 years , he had been ill with Pleurisy for three weeks.

28-06-1900 Henry Theobald (Snr) buried at C of E Port. Palmers Oakey Cemetery.

10-07-1900 Mining was a bit brisker than it had been for the past few years, as the sluices were going ahead in all directions, every race and gully being used; but last Thursday the heaviest snow storm ever witnessed here fell. Trees and timber fell in all directions, filling the races and doing terrible damage to the walls. It will take weeks in some-places to repair the damage. The races had to undergo repairs and were just being used again where now they are worse than ever. The roads are in a terrible state. vehicle traffic an impossibility, trees and timber lying across the roads in all directions. The local storekeeper was unable to take his goods in the cart where he used to travel, and all goods have to be packed on horse back, as in the times 80 years ago. Snow is still lying every where. Mount Horrible does really look horrible. BFP

04-08-1900 A trustees meeting at D Munros to make new rules and regulations. Mr McDonnell in the chair. It was put to the vote to reduce the stock for each commoner from 25 to 20 head each. carried by 3 votes to 1 Mr McDonnell being against it. Proposed by D McKinnon to have 4 s goats and 1 he goat each commoner Seconded G Bowers Carried. and to alter the Penaltes of the different clauses which was done and the meeting closed. M McDonnell chairman.

08-08-1900 James Kelly, arraigned on a charge of assaulting C. F. Franks at Palmer's Oakey, pleaded guilty yesterday, and was remanded for sentence,BFP.

14-08-1900 A trustees meeting held at D Munros to correct errors re rules and regulations.
Scale of fees for standing Timber, soil and stone taken from common.

Standing timber for firewood		
	One horse load	0-0-6
	Two	0-0-8
	Three	0-0-10
	Four	0-1-0
	Bullock load	0-1-0
Other standing timber	Per tree	0-1-6
Soil	Per load	0-1-0
Stone	Per load	0-1-0

18-08-1900 A trustees meeting was held at F Hydes re recovering the back debts when the sec was told to issue notices to the debtors and to send notices to those who had not paid for the young stock over six months old also to arrange about a common brand. Meeting closed D McKinnon chairman.

29-08-1900 Martha Kathleen Theobald born.(Died as baby)

07-10-1900 A report reached town that a Chinaman who had been missing for some time from Palmer's Oakey was found in an abandoned shaft some forty feet deep. Sergt. Hayes left for the scene this morning. BFP

26-10-1900 Sofala Gold Dredging Co. began dredging Turon in the Gulf area, 9 men were employed and for the year treated 18000 cubic yards for 84 ozs of gold and shutdown in 1901 due to poor returns. It shutdown about the junction of the Palmers Oakey Creek and Turon.

00-10-1900 A trustees meeting was held at F Hydes place when it was decided to issue notices to give in the number of stock and pay for same on or before 24-12-1900 also call a public meeting on 8-12-1900 to review common roll M McDonnell Chairman.

20-11-1900 William Robert Stevenson Franks born

26-11-1900 John Hurst Post Master at West Mitchell Post Office.

08-12-1900 Public meeting held on the Big Hill re Roll. D Munro Chairman.

10-12-1900 THE SINKING OF A DREDGE. SOFALA, Saturday. No. 3 Dredge, on the Upper Turon, was sunk yesterday due to a large log getting caught the buckets. In attempting to lower the ladder one of the planks in the bottom of the pontoon was forced, and the pumps could not cope with the water.

11-12-1900 With regard to the recent accident to the dredge of the Sofala Gold Dredging Company. Upper Turon, the dredge manager telegraphed that it is nothing serious and that dredging will be resumed on Thursday. He reports that the yield of gold for five days work during the last week was 26oz.

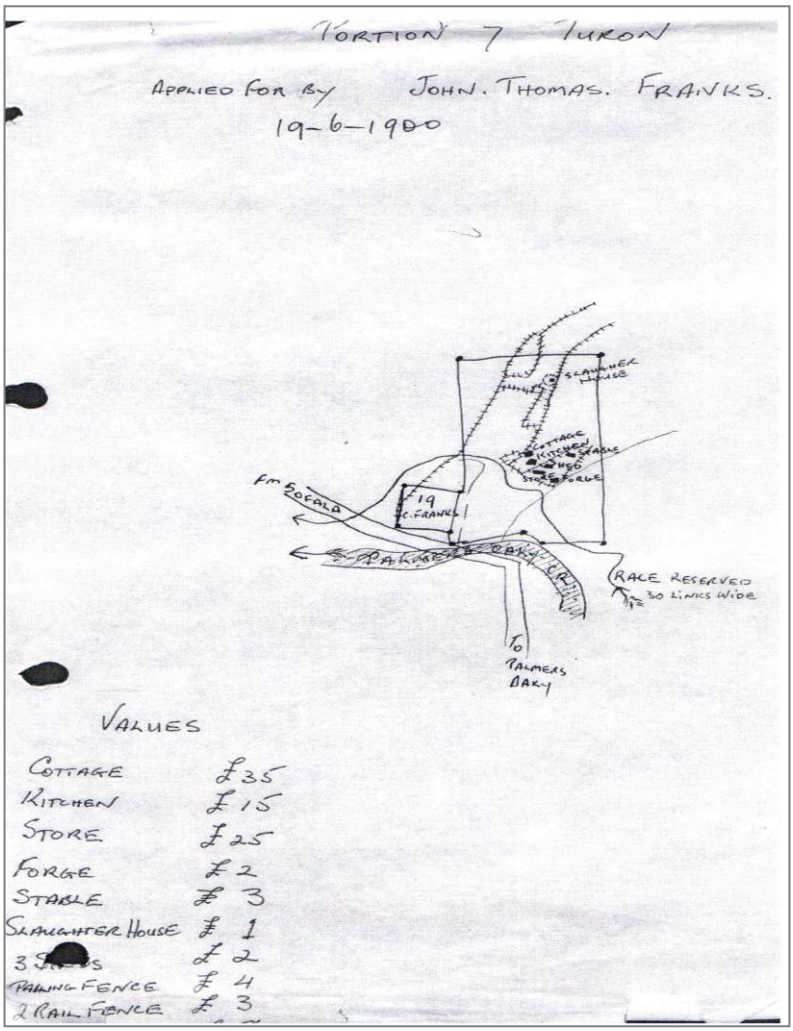
1900. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 20.
E Wolfenden 2, Alex Young, Victor Buching 5, Martha Munro, Grace Franks 6, Francis Franks, G D Curtis, G Bowers, John T Bower, Ethel Munro.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE	GOATS
Duncan Ferguson	11	14	
Ewen McC Ferguson	10	15	
Charles P Ferguson	1		
Jane V Ferguson	4	23	
Charles F Franks		1	
F N Franks	1	2	
Michael McDonnell	2	14	
E J O'Farrell	2	5	
Manuel Lewis	2	10	
Julius Wannick	3		
A McKinnon	4	8	
A Wilkinson Snr	2	8	
Henry Theobald Jr	2	6	
A M Phillips	1		
George McLeod	9		
J T Franks	7	4	3
Duncan McKinnon	3	1	
James Dyson	1		
Carolina Mcintyre		10	10
F H Buckerfield	2		
William Tacke	1		
Peter Munro	7	8	3
Henry Theobald Snr	7	10	
George Bower	2		
A Wilkinson Jnr	2	7	
M Phillips		5	
James McDonnell	2	4	
J Wannick Snr		21	
Daniel Hopkins		4	
Peter Theobald	2		

Walter Theobald	2		
Francis Hyde,	4	3	
J Turner	1		
33	97	173	16

Common Expenditure £8-8-6 Stock Tax £2-5-2



1901 Bathurst Rainfall 27.17 ins.

13-01-1901	A public meeting was called for this date but was adjourned (being Sunday) to the 19 th Jan which was duly held on the 19 th Jan 1901 to elect trustees for the ensuing three years. Proposed by D D Munro D Hopkins seconded by C Ferguson, W Smith proposed by C Ferguson seconded by W Theobald, J Wilkinson proposed by W Theobald seconded by F Hyde, F Hyde, proposed by D Munro seconded by F Wilkinson, D D Munro proposed by C Ferguson seconded M McDonnell all carried unanimously. At the same meeting the balance sheet was read and passed as correct.
23-02-1901	A trustees meeting was called for this date but no one was present.
09-03-1901	A trustees meeting was called for this date at which D Hopkins , Francis Hyde, D Munro was present when it was agreed to call in all this years common fees that was due.
13-04-1901	A trustees quartely meeting was held on this date at which the undermentioned common rights was granted Ida, Franks, Mrs John A McKinnon, William Theobald, and it was decided to call tenders for the covering of all holes along both sides of the Palmers Oakey Creek. D D Munro chairman.
24-04-1901	Trustees of Palmers Oakey Union Church purchased at auction in Bathurst portion 16 Dulabree for Church site.Trustees being David Munro. Charles Ferguson, William Lewis, Frank Hyde, John Thomas Franks, Duncan McKinnon, William Tacke.
27-04-1901	A trustees meeting was on this date to receive tenders for the covering of holes on part of common. D Fergusons: tender was accepted for £4-4-0.
06-07-1901	A trustees quartely meeting was held on this date to concider the best mode of destroying the rabbits and it was decided that all commoners should muster on a given day in each month and destroy as much as they could. Also to Scratch out all the bad debts.
29-07-1801	Palmers Oakey Public School site surveyed, portion 29 Dulabree
29-07-1901	Portion 26 Dulabree valued, Cottage £45, Tank £5, Kitchen £15, Sheds £5. £3. £4., Stable £2, Barn £2.,
09-08-1901	Member for Works informed Mr. Hurley, M.P. for Macquarie, that a special grant of £3O has been made for constructing a footbridge over Palmer's Oakey Creek, between the Royal Hotel and Post Office !
10-08-1901	An ordinary meeting of trustees was hold on this date to concider what was to be done about the young stock as some of the commoners were not paying up for same, when it was resolved to sue. D D Munro chairman.
00-09-1901	Due to the difficult river bed and buried timbers from old gold workings the dredge belonging to the Sofala Gold Dredging Co was dismantled and sold to Mr H R Butterworth.

21-09-1901 A quartely meeting of trustees was held on this date to decide about people dogging animals on the common when it was decided to post notices up warning all commoners if they were found dogging the animals they would be prosecuted for same. D D Munro chairman and sec.

19-10-1901 A Trustees meeting was held on the above date to concider the rabbit question when it was agreed that all commoners should meet on the first Sat. of each month and have a rabbit drive. D D Munro chairman.

07-12-1901 Five acres was added to the common (portion 8).

21-12-1901 A public meeting was held on this date at which the common roll was revised and other matters discussed , at which E 0'Farrells right was objected to. D D Munro chairman.

Record of D Fergusons expenses 1901.

14-02-1901	G McLeod for loading l cwt wire	1-00-00
14-02-1901	L Edgley & Co bill	4- 4- 00
06-06-1901	L Edgley & Co goods	10-13-9
00-06-1901	F Havenhand 3 miners rights	15-00
06-06-1901	C P F. 15/5. bullocks 6/- Ex. 8/-	1 -9-00
00-07-1901	Jack Bowers cartage blacksmithing	2-00-00
00-07-1901	J Anderson 2 pr. boots.	15-00
25-07-1901	L Edgley goods	7-14-6
25-07-1901	Mugridge for timber	7-5-00
25-07-1901	Fish for plough	1-4-6
25-07-1901	Amay for expenses	16-00
22-08-1901	F Havenhand Bark Licence	1-10-6
27-08-1901	C F Franks for goods	1-00-00
00-08-1901	Jack Bowers for goods	15-00

Wattle bark sold by D Ferguson

14-02-1901	£9-00-00
06-06-1901	£14- 8-00
25-07-1901	£12- 6-00

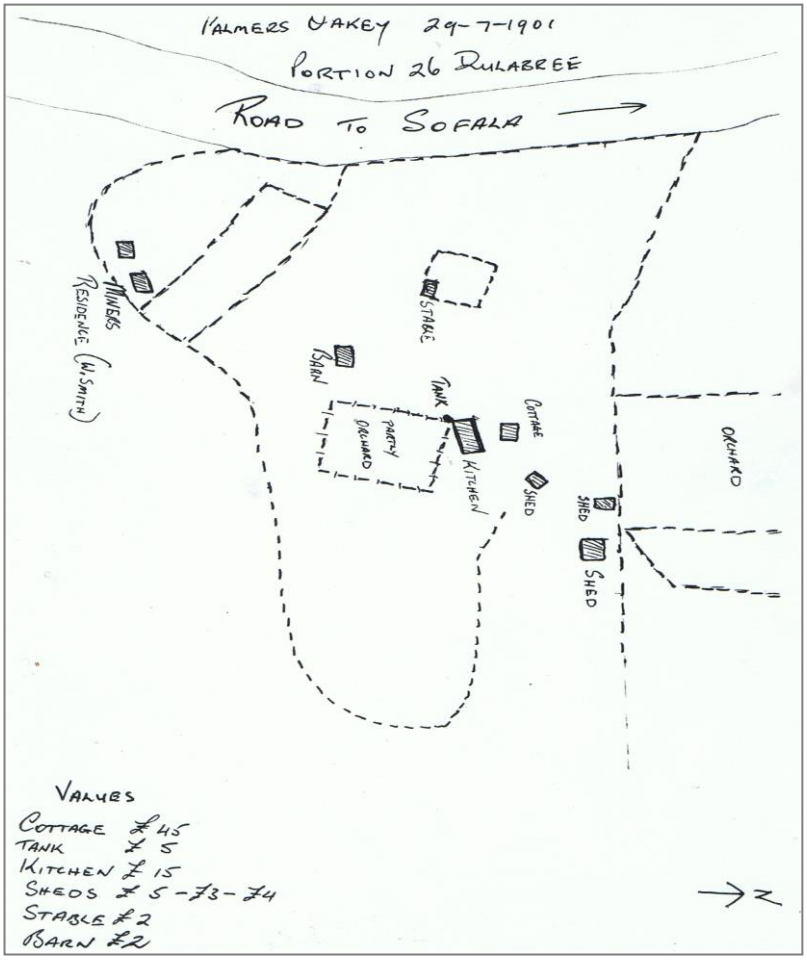
1901.Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 23.

G Franks, D Ferguson, M Munro, J A Franks, George McLeod, Robert Theobald, Henry Franks, Harold Franks, D Munro, E E Munro, Ewen Ferguson, James Hancock, Clara Franks,.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Duncan Ferguson	10	11
Ewen McC Ferguson	7	14
Jane V Ferguson	7	13
Charles F Franks		2
F N Franks	1	1
Michael McDonnell	2	6
E J 0'Farrell	1	7
Emanuel Lewis	2	17
Julius Wannick Jr	1	
A McKinnon	5	9
A Wilkinson Snr	2	8
Henry Theobald	1	
Miss A Phillips	1	
George McLeod	12	
J T Franks	7	6
Duncan McKinnon	3	2
James Dyson		1
Carolina McIntyre		14
F H Buckerfield		2
William Tacke		1
Peter Munro		7
George Bower		2
A Wilkinson Jnr	2	6
M Phillips		5
J Wannick Snr	1	20
Daniel Hopkins	4	
Walter Theobald	2	
Francis Hyde	4	4
Herbert Lewis	2	
Mrs Theolbald	6	17
Mrs B McDonnall	2	7
Young Gunn	1	
Alice Smith	1	3
D Munro	1	
Robt Munro	2	6
Woodwoods	1	
36	91	178

Common Expenditure £17-9-0 Stock Tax £2-7-6. Tenders for covering holes were. D Hopkins £2. W Smith £3. D Ferguson £4.



OAKS

1902 Bathurst Rainfall 14.86 ins.

18-01-1902 A public was held on this date to exhibit the balance sheet of the common which was passed as correct. D D Munro chairman.

01-02-1902 A trustees meeting was hold on this date to decide whether E O'Farrell had any right to depasture on the common, the trustees present were , D Hopkins , John Wilkinson, D D Munro, W Smith, Proposed by D Hopkins that his right be cancelled seconded by J Wilkinson, carried 3 to 1 . W Smith resigned. D D Munro chairman.

11-02-1902 A trustees meeting was held on this date to make new rules and regulations for the better management of the common , when the stock were reduced from 20 to 15 for each commoner and 2/- per head of stock per year as common fee to be paid 1st Jan. 1st July. Goats to be as they were until further notice. Trustees present were David D Munro, William James Wilkinson, Daniel Hopkins, Francis Hyde,. Common charges for timber, soil, and stone; standing timber for firewood:- 1 horse load 6d. 2=8d. 3=10d. 4=1/-, 1 bullock load 1/-. other standing timber per tree 1/6, soil 1/-, stone 1/-

13-02-1902 Stanley Clive McKinnon born.

29-03-1902 A trustees meeting was called for this date. No quorum present.

00-04-1902 Mr H R Butterworth re-erected the dredge he bought last year but poor results saw it again dismantled and transported to the Macquarie River.

01-06-1902 Mrs Charlotte M Odgers Post Mistress at West Mitchell Post Office.

28-06-1902 A quartely meeting was called on this date when it was resolved to impound all sheep found straying on the common. D D Munro chairman.

25-10-1902 A quartely meeting of trustees was held on this date at which D D Munro, D Hopkins, F Hyde, was present, the sec was directed to issue notices that all stock treaspassing on the common would be impounded and all common stock not entered in the herd book and paid would be impounded also. D D Munro chairman. After the meeting D D Munro and Francis Hyde resigned as trustees and the secretary was told to call a public meeting to elect 3 trustees in their place.

08-11-1902 A duly advertised Public Meeting was held on this date to elect 3 trustees in Lieu of W Smith, F Hyde, D D Munro resigned. At which meeting the following gentlemen were elected. John A McKinnon, proposed by D McKinnon seconded by Peter Munro, carried. Walter Theobald proposed by W J Wilkinson seconded by D D Munro, Alfred Wilkinson proposed by D D Munro seconded by W J Wilkinson. all carried unanmously and the meeting closed.

29-11-1902 A trustees meeting was held on the above date at which all the trustees ware present, and the following commoners were granted rights. Archibald Davison, James McDonnell, Mrs D McKinnon, E McKinnon, A A Park. and it was resolved to erect an impounding yard as soon as they could get the funds to do so and the meeting closed. D Hopkins chairman.

10-12-1902 James Roy Franks born (married ? 12-04-1930)

13-12-1902 A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of revising the common roll which was done according to the rules. D Hopkins chairman

22-12-1902 On Saturday evening Mrs. A. Sinclair, of Clear Creek, reported to the police that she had been robbed by two masked men, one of whom was armed, eight miles from Bathurst, on Limekilns-road, while coming to Bathurst. She states that they searched her and not finding anything they ripped the body of her dress open and discovered £10, which they appropriated. She also states that the men said they were expecting her to bring in a cake of gold from Sinclair's mine, the result of last week's crushing. The police have instituted a search, but have no clue up to the present.BFP

1902. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 17.

Grace Franks, Harold Franks, Young Gunn, D D Munro, R Pither, C Franks, Wm Blackman, A Smith, John Faulkner, ? F Franks, G Bower, George Bush, Herbert Lewis, Clara Franks, Jeremiah O'Brien, Charles Wilson, E McKinnon.

COMMON ROLL 1901---1902

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Jacob Dunkel	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
Duncan Ferguson	"	"
Ewen McC Ferguson	"	"
Charles P Ferguson	"	"
Jane V Ferguson	"	Resident
Charles F Franks	"	Resident Miner
F N Franks	"	"
Michael McDonnell	Upper Turon	"
Frank Hyde	Palmers Oakey	"
E J O'Farrell	Upper Turon	"
David Munro	"	"
Julius Wannick Jr	Palmers Oakey	"
John A McKinnon	"	"
A Wilkinson	"	"
Henry Theobald Jr	"	"
Alice Phillips	"	Teacher
George McLeod ,	"	Carrier
J T Franks	"	Storekeeper
Duncan McKinnon	"	Resident
James Dyson	"	Resident Miner
Young Gun	"	Resident Gardiner
Caroline McIntyre	"	Resident
F H Buckerfield	"	Resident Miner
William Tacke	"	"
Charles F Franks	"	Storekeeper
Peter Munro	"	Resident Miner
George Bower	"	"
A W Wilkinson	"	Teamster
Mrs M Phillips	"	Resident
James McDonnell	Upper Turon	Resident Miner
J Wannick Snr	Palmers Oakey	"
Daniel Hopkins	Upper Turon	"
John Turner	Upper Turon	"
A W McKinnon	Palmers Oakey	"
William Smith	"	"
W J Wilkinson	"	"
G Bush	"	
F Stuart	Upper Turon	Resident Miner
Martha Franks	Palmers Oakey	Resident
Edward Wolfenden	"	Resident Miner
W Theobald	"	Resident
Mrs E Theobald	"	Resident
Mrs A Smith	"	"
Mrs McDonnell	Upper Turon	"
Manuel Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
James McDonnell	Upper Turon	"
William Theobald , ,	"	"
Ida Franks	"	Resident
Herbert Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
R Munro	"	"
Mrs J Dyson Snr , ,	"	Resident
Mrs John A McKinnon		"
John Bower	"	
Arch Davidson		
Edward McKinnon	"	
A A Park		

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COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Duncan Ferguson	12	8
Ewen McC Ferguson	9	16
Jane V Ferguson	3	17
Charles F Franks	4	2
Michael McDonnell	3	7
E J O'Farrell	3	3
Jullus Wannick Jr	2	
A Wilkinson Snr	2	8
Miss A Phillips	1	
George McLeod	9	

J T Franks	4	7
Duncan McKinnon	2	3
James Dyson	1	
Caroline McIntyre	1	16
F H Buckerfleld	1	
William Tacke	1	
Peter Munro	3	9
George Bower	2	
A Wilkinson Jnr	2	7
M Phillips		4
J Wannick Snr	1	15
Daniel Hopkins	3	
Walter Theobald	1	
Francis Hyde	5	6
Herbert Lewis	3	
Mrs Theobald	8	12
Mrs B McDonnell		6
Young Gunn		1
Alice Smith	1	5
D Munro	1	
Robert Munro		5
W Lewis	2	19
Mary McKinnon	6	7
John T Bowers		5
Ida Franks	2	3
A Davison	1	
William Wilkinson	1	
37	101	180

Common Expenditure £16-13-11 Stock Tax £1 -9-2

1903 Bathurst Rainfall 22.89 ins.

10-01-1903 A public meeting was holden on this date at which the balance sheet was read and passed as correct. D Hopkins chairman.

21-02-1903 A Trustees meeting was held on this date to concider if the trustees would prosecute Cooney for cutting and removing the standing timber for firewood from off the common without having a licence from the trustees , it was put to the meeting and was carried unanmously that they would summon Cooney. Present at the meeting Alf Wilkinson, John Wilkinson, John McKinnon, and D Hopkins in the chair.

28-03-1903 A trustees meeting was held on this date to consider what pay they should have per day as expenses going to Sofala on Cooneys case re cutting standing timber on the common and it was unanimously agreed to give 8/- per day and to take steps to impound all stock that were not paid for. Present at meeting John Wilkinson, Alf Wilkinson, John McKinnon, Walter Theobald, Daniel Hopkins chairman.

21-06-1903 A quartley meeting was held on this date and it was resolved to give notice to Jacob Dunkel, John Wilkinson, and G T Franks that if they did not apply for a timber licence from the trustees they would be summoned according to the rules and regulations. Also orders were given to the secretary to issue notices that all stock must be given in and paid for on or before the first day of July 1903 with brands and descriptions of stock for the half year ending 31-12-03. Present at the meeting Daniel Hopkins chairman, John Wilkinson, Alf Wilkinson Jnr, Walter Theobald.

07-08-1903 Charles Francis Franks was charged with having stolen, on the 1st day of May, 1903, at Palmer's Oakey, a sheep, the property of John M'Kinnon and on a second count with having received the sheep knowing it to have been stolen. Accused was found not guilty on both charges, he was defended by Mr. J. H. M'Intosh. At Bathurst Court

15-08-1903 A trustees meeting was held on this date to concider the desirablerress (sic) of covering the holes (M) and erecting a yard for the purpose of impounding stock illigally on the common which was carried unanimously. D Hopkins chairman.

07-11-1903 A trustees meeting was held on this date to see if they were justified in giving J Wilkinson a sub on the work he was doing and it was agreed to give him £4-0-0 also to have the gates altered on the yard. Agreed to unanimously. D Hopkins chairman.

12-12-1903 A public meeting was held on this date at which the common roll was revised and the stock yard was passed and declared fit for use . It was also urged by the meeting that a bull ought to be got for the use of the stock on the common which was agreed upon when there was funds to pay for one. Hyde Frank chairman.

31-12-1903 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which the secretary got orders not to Book any stock without a proper description was given to him. D Hopkins chairman.

1903. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 44.

F M Bloomfield, Jerimiah O'Brien 10, George Bush, Richard Pither 6, Charls Wilson 9, D D Munro, Martha Munro, Ewen Ferguson, John Anderson, J A Franks, E P McKinnon 2, J A McKinnon 5, Grace Franks.

COMMON ROLL 1903-1904

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Jacob Dunkel	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
Duncan Ferguson	"	"
Ewen McC Ferguson	"	"
Charles P Ferguson	"	"
Charles F Franks		Storekeeper
Michael McDonnell	Upper Turon	Resident Miner
Frank Hyde	Palmers Oakey	"
David Munro	"	"

Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey		“
John A McKinnon	“		“
A Wilkinson Snr		“	“
Henry Theobald		“	“
Alice Phillips		“	Resident
George McLeod '			Carrier
J T Franks		“	Resident Miner
Duncan McKinnon ,		“	Resident
James Dyson	Upper Turon		Resident Miner
Young Gun	Palmers Oakey		Resident Gardiner
Caroline McIntyre	“		Resident
F H Buckerfield		“	Resident Miner
William Tacke		“	“
Peter Munro		“	Resident Miner
George Bower		“	“
A W Wilkinson		“	Teamster
James McDonnell	Upper Turon		Resident Miner
Daniel Hopkins	Upper Turon		“
William Smith	Palmers Oakey		“
W J Wilkinson		“	“
F Stuart	Palmers Oakey		Resident Miner
W Theobald		“	“
Mrs E Theobald		“	Resident
Manuel Lewis	Palmers Oakey		Resident Miner
R Munro	“		“
Mrs John A McKinnon			Resident
John Bower			Resident Miner
A Wilkinson Jr		“	“
H Lewis		“	“
Mrs J Dyson Snr		“	Resident
Mrs M McDonnell	“		“
Mrs D McKinnon		“	“
Mrs B Wannick		“	“
E Theobald		“	“
Margret Munro		“	“
Martha Munro		“	“
Mrs D Ferguson		“	“
Mary Ann McKinnon		“	“
Rachial Franks		“	“
Mrs Lewis		“	“
Walter Theobald		“	Resident Miner
Arthur Hyde		“	“
Robert McKinnon	“		“
Elcie Lewis		“	Resident
David J Bower		“	
A J Bower		“	
Alex Bower		“	
Arthur Hyde		“	Resident Miner
Jock Ferguson		“	Labourer

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
J T Franks	7	6
Francis Hyde	7	7
Mrs J V Ferguson	3	11
Ewen Ferguson	6	8
Duncan Ferguson	7	10
M Lewis	1	10
H Lewis	2	7
D Hopkins	2	
R Munro	2	9
P Munro	3	
Emil Jansen	1	
Mrs McKinnon	2	4
G Bower	2	
H Theobald	6	
Mrs H Theobald		15
Bridget McDonnell	2	11
Michael McDonnell	1	6
A Wilkinson Son	1	8
A Wilkinson Jr	2	7
Ida, Franks	1	
John T Franks	7	
Alice Smith	1	3
Walter Theobald	1	

C F Franks	5	1
Mrs J A McKinnon	5	9
Julius Wannick Snr		15
Julius Wannick Jr	2	
A Davison	1	
Carolina McIntyre		18
W Wilkinson	1	
G Young Gunn	1	
George McLeod	6	
Alice Phillips	1	
Mrs M Phillips		5
James Dyson	2	2
36	90	172

Common Expenditure £23-11-5. Stock Tax £2-14-0, Pound Yard £8-0-0, For attending court in Sofala regarding Cooneys case common paid D Hopkins 2 days 16/- and D Munro £1-4-0

DIVISION OF MACQUARIE. 1903.

PALMERS OAKEY POLLING-PLACE.

Roll of Persons entitled to Vote under the Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902.

1 ARTHINGTON	Charles W	M	Upper Turon	Miner
2 Arthington	Henry B	M	Upper Turon	Miner
3 BARKLAY	Thomas	M	Upper Turon	Miner
4 Barry	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
5 Binning	Robert	M	Tobins Oakey	Miner
6 Binning	William	M	Tobins Oakey	Miner
7 Bowers	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
8 Bowers	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
9 Brown	Richard	M	Tobins Oakey	Miner
10 Buckerfield	Francis	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
11 Butler	Edward	M	Tobins Oakey	Miner
12 CARROLL	Goorge	M	Upper Turon	Miner
13 Clark	George	M	Warrie	Labourer
14 Curry	Constance Sarah	F	Upper Turon	Domestic Duties
15 Curry	William Charles	M	Upper Turon	Miner
16 DUNCAN	David	M	Fiddlers Gully	Miner
17 Duncomb	David	M	Upper Turon	Miner
18 Dunkel	Jacob	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
19 Dunn	Martin	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
20 Dyson	Elizabeth	F	Upper Turon	DD
21 Dyson	James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
22 Dyson	Mary	F	Upper Turon	DD
23 EVANS	William	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
24 FARRELL	Martha	F	Tobins Oakey	D D
25 Farrell	Martin	M	Tobins Oakey	Miner
26 Ferguson	Charles	M	Palmers Oakey	Carrier
27 Ferguson	Duncan Jr.	M	Palmers Oakey	Carrier
28 Ferguson	Ewen	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
29 Ferguson	Jane Virginia	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
30 Ferguson	Mary Elizabeth	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
31 Franks	Annie	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
32 Franks	Annie Australia	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
33 Franks	Charles Francis	M	Palmers Oakey	Publican
34 Franks	John Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
35 GETTENS	Joseph	M	Tobins Oakey	Miner
36 Gettens	Thomas	M	Tobins Oakey	Miner
37 Gill	Robert Edwin	M	Bingletree	Tutor
38 HARDY	Mary	F	Cullermudgee Creek	D D
39 Hardy	Thomas	M	Upper Turon	Miner
40 Hyde	Frank	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
41 Hyde	Mary Ann	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
42 KING	Alister Maclean	M	The Gulf	Dredge Master
43 LESTON	John	M	Bingletree	Miner
44 McINTYRE	CarolineVictoria	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
45 McKinnon	Duncan	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
46 McKinnon	Elizabeth	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
47 McKinnon	John Angus	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
48 McKinnon	Mary Ann	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
49 McKinnon	Sarah	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
50 McLeod	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
51 Mackay	Roy Arthur	M	Tobins Oakey	Miner
52 Mackie	Elizabeth	F	Tobins Oakey	D D
53 Miller	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Old age pensioner
54 Morgan	George	M	Bingletree	Overseer
55 Morgan	Mary Maria	F	Bingletree	D D
56 Munro	David	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
57 Munro	Margaret	F	Palmers Oakey	D D

58 Munro	Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
59 Munro	Peter	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
60 Murphy	James	M	Upper Turon	Miner
61 O'BRIEN	Jeremiah	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
62 PARK	Albert Alexander	M	The Gulf	Dredge Master
63 Pither	Richard	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
64 RANDALL	George White	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
65 Roper	William	M	Bingletree	Independent means
66 SCOTT	Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Grazier
67 Shumack	Elizabeth	F	Upper Turon	D D
68 Shumack	George	M	Upper Turon	Miner
69 Smith	Alice	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
70 Smith	William	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
71 Steel	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
72 Stewart	Ferdinand	M	Palmers; Oakey	Miner
73 TACKE	William	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
74 Thobald	Eliza Jane	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
75 Theobald	Henry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
76 Theobald	Walter Arthur	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
77 Theobald	William	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
78 Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Overseer
79 Truscott	James	M	Upper Turon	Miner
80 WELCH	Edward Walter	M	Bingletree	Labourer
81 Wilkinson	Alfred	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
82 Wilkinson	Alfred Jr.	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
83 Wilkinson	Frances	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
84 Wilkinson	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
85 Wilkinson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
86 Wilson	Charles;	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

From Dep Agriculture Sheep brand Register (1903)

		FIRE	TAR	EAR no:
Thompson Wm. Gilbert.	"Warrie",Mitchell & P 0	T in circle		721
Ferguson Duncan Jr	."Limestone", Palmers Oakey.	D off cheek	DF F rev/con	494
Ferguson John	"Limestone", Palmers Oakey	1 off cheek 1		312
McLeod George	Palmers Oakey Creek		GM	687
Smith R McLennan	Coolamigal, Mitchell		VP (conj)	159
Hemsworth Geo.	Coolamigal, Mitchell		H x	710
Humphries Edwd.	"Warrie", Mitchells Cr,	F nr cheek	E & a heart	481
Steel Geo.	Palmers Oakey		-L	18

1904 Bathurst Rainfall 19.24 ins.

15-01-1904 New Palmers Oakey school opened with Miss M J Deasey as teacher.

00-01-1904 Upper Turon school half time with Dulabree school, both schools closed in Dec 1904.

16-01-1904 A Public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of electing trustees for the ensuing three years when the following gentlemen were duly elected. Ewen Ferguson, James McDonnell, Francis Hyde, Duncan McKinnon, William Theobald, .Also balance sheet was read and passed. D Hopkins chairman.

06-07-1904 A trustees meeting was held on this date, D McKinnon, E Ferguson, W Theobald was present and it was agreed upon that the bull was to be sent for to the Limekilns and that D McKinnon and E Ferguson wore (sic) to be paid for driving him over. William Theobald chairman.

23-04-1904 A quarterly meeting was hold on this date at which all the trustees attended and it was unamousely (sic) agreed to pay D Hopkins and Alfred Wilkinson the money that was owed to them for impounding two horses last April and they gave the secretary orders to pay them 5/- each and also have the common fence examined and repaired and the meeting was then adjourned. The secretary was ordered to send for three more copies of the common act. D McKinnon chairman.

22-06-1904 Julius Wannick died and was buried at Sofala aged 89 years.

02-07-1904 A quarterly meeting was held on this date at which four of the trustees attended and it was proposed to have a bull for the lower end of the common when the money was advaiable, the motion was carried unamously (sic) and the meeting was closed, D McKinnon chairman.

16-07-1904 Palmer's Oakey School improvements, W. Theobald, £15 17s;

17-08-1904 A trustees meeting was held on this date to devise the best means of destroying the rabbits and it was agreed to call all the commoners and burn all the hollow logs burrows and rubbish that would harbour them and arrange to have a drive the first Sat. in every month to keep them down which was unamousely (sic) agreed to. D McKinnon chairman.

28-09-1904 Duncan Ferguson married Matilda, Deasey (the Palmers Oakey school teacher) at her parents house 154 Bay St Rockdale.

03-10-1904 A trustees meeting was held on this date to see what was being done to the rabbits and they were all satified as to the way the work was carried on . D McKinnon chairman.

08-10-1904 A trustees meeting was on this date at which 3 of the trustees attended to arrange for the impounding of some stock that was illegally on the common and it was agreed that such stock should be impounded. E Ferguson chairman of the meeting.

20-11-1904 Dr Howard presented on behalf of the Palmers Oakey Sunday School a book for regular attandance, good conduct and lessons. Senior boys prize to Arthur Franks.

10-12-1904 A trustees meeting was hold on this date and the trustees gave the sec order to issue notice for a public meeting to be held on the 24-12-1904. D McKinnon chairman.

24-12-1904 A Public meeting was hold on this date at which very few attended for the purpose of revising the common roll for 1905. F Hyde chairman.

1904. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 35.

Charles Wilson, Richard Pither, H A Thompson, Jremiah O'Brien, R McKinnon, A McKinnon, E Parr, V Smith, D Ferguson, Walter Cole, L Thygestin, Walter Theobald, T Scott, Mrs M J Ferguson, John A McKinnon, A Smith, Miss M Munro, E Munro. (Note; it appears that between 26-11-04 and 31-12-04 Miss Munro became Postmistress)

Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Upper Turon 2.

George Miller, W Blackman. (Note; these are the first to come from other than West Mitchell)

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
J T Franks	5	8
Francis Hyde	5	4
Mrs J V Ferguson	2	5
Ewen Ferguson	6	7
Duncan Ferguson	3	10
H Lewis	3	
D Hopkins	2	
R Munro	1	11
P Munro	3	
Mrs McKinnon	2	3
G Bower	2	
H Theobald	2	
Mrs H Theobald	4	13
Michael McDonnell	1	4
Alfred Wilkinson	1	8
Alf Wilkinson	3	
Waiter Theobald	1	
Mrs J A McKinnon	6	7
Caroline McIntyre		9
W Wilkinson	1	
G Young Gunn	1	
George McLeod	5	
Alice Phillips	1	
James Dyson	1	2
William Tacke	1	
William Theobald	1	
John T Bower	6	
David Munro	2	
James McDonnell	1	6
W J Wilkinson		7
Jock Ferguson	1	5
Mrs Alice Smith	1	4
32	74	113

Common Expenditure £23-2-11 Stock Tax £2-8~5 Common purchased bull from Limekilns for £6-0-0 and paid D McKinnon and E Ferguson 15/- for driving him over. Common paid C Ferguson for covering holes £3-9-8. William Smith £4-0-0 for same. F Hyde for impounding horse 12/

1905 Bathurst Rainfall 20.75 ins.

13-01-1905 Charlotte Deasey school Teacher at Palmers Oakey. (sister of Mrs D Ferguson)

14-01-1905 A public meeting was held on this date when the balance sheet for 1904 was gone over and was found correct and passed, also the fence at McDonnells should be fixed as to prevent the cattle and horses from going through on Mr Corlis' land which was agreed to. D Munro chairman.

26-01-1905 Alice Smith died at “Oaks" Palmers Oakey.

06-02-1905 Jane Virginia Ferguson died at Sofala Hospital. Her son Duncan and his wife Matilda had taken her there in a sulky at night down through the gulf road.

07-02-1905 Jane Virginia Ferguson buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery.

11-02-1905 A trustees was held on this date and it was resolved to give A Bowers, Albert Bowers, and David Bowers common rights on this common. D Munro chairman.

28-02-1905 Mrs Hyde Post Mistress at Upper Turon Post Office.

17-03-1905 William Smith died while stripping wattle bark. It was said at the time, that he died from a broken heart, as his wife had died 7 weeks earlier, and her mother a week later. Soon after his death the Smiths house was burnt down to remove the curse.

25-03-1905 A Trustees meeting was held on this date to see what was to be done re stray stock running on the common and it was resolved to give notice and if not removed to impound the stock. D McKinnon chairman.

19-04-1905 Elizabeth Robinson school teacher at Palmers Oakey.

20-05-1905 A trustees meeting was held on this date. The sec was instructed to give Julius Wannick notice to remove some stock as the trustees were informed that one was infected with what looked very like cancer and the meeting adjourned . D McKinnon chairman.

08-07-1905 A trustees meeting was hold on this date at which it was proposed to have a common brand and carried , also it was proposed and carried to have all the holes on the common looked up and covered and the meeting adjourned. D McKinnon chairman.

12-08-1905 Donald Thomas Ferguson born at Leichardt. Son of Duncan and Matilda

12-08-1905 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which there was no quorom and the meeting adjourned. D McKinnon chairman.

09-09-1905 A trustees meeting was held on this date it was proposed by F Hyde that they should get a common brand and all cattle running on the common should be branded , carried unamously (sic) and was agreed to, D McKinnon chairman.

11-10-1905 Phillis Papworth born (married Donald Thomas Ferguson)

14-10-1905 A trustees meeting was hold on this date at which it was agreed to give D Ferguson notice to remove his bull from off the common. D McKinnon chairman.

25-11-1905 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which the sec was told to call a public meeting to revise the common roll also to forward the rules for the branding of cattle to the Inspector of Stock Sydney and the meeting closed. D McKinnon chairman.

09-12-1905 A public meeting was held on this date at which the commoner's roll was revised. DD Munro chairman.

Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 20.

Post Master, E McKinnon E.Wolfenden, J A McKinnon, Ada McKinnon, Mrs M J Ferguson, D Ferguson,Walter H Theobald, Ivy McKinnon

Letters from Upper Turon 6. Miss Deasey, E McKinnon, John T Bower, Mr Thygeston, R C Munro, J A M Shuuun

Letters from Bathurst 1. Post Master.

COMMON ROLL 1905-1906

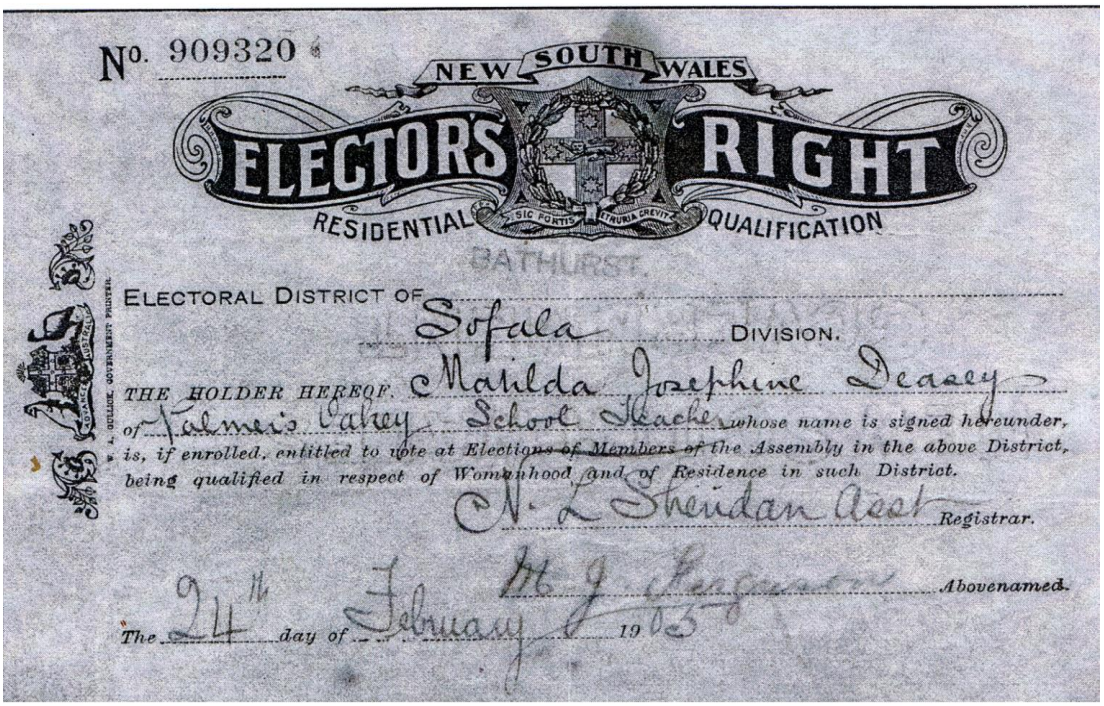
NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Jacob Dunkel	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
Duncan Ferguson		Resident
Ewen McC Ferguson		
Charles P Ferguson		Resident Miner
Frank Hyde	Palmers Oakey ,	
David Munro		Resident
Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
John A McKinnon		Storekeeper
A Wilkinson Snr		Carrier
Henry Theobald		Resident Miner
George McLeod		Carrier
J T Franks		Storekeeper
Duncan McKinnon		Resident Miner
James Dyson		
George Gunn		Storekeeper
Caroline McIntyre		Resident
F H Buckerfield		Resident Miner
William Tacke		
Peter Munro		Resident Miner
James McDonnell	Upper Turon	Resident Miner
Daniel Hopkins		
W J Wilkinson		
F Stewart	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
William Theobald		
Mrs E Theobald		Resident
Manuel Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
Mrs John A McKinnon , ,		Resident
John Bower	Upper Turon ,	
Edward McKinnon	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
A Wilkinson Jr		
Herbert Lewis		
Mrs J Dyson Snr		Resident
Mrs D McKinnon		
Edward Theobald		
Mrs D Munro		
Mrs D Ferguson		
Mary Ann McKinnon		
Rachial Franks		
Mrs M Lewis		
Elcie Lewis		
David J Bower		Resident Miner
A J Bower		
Mex Bower		
Walter Theobald		
Arthur Hyde	Upper Turon	
Robert McKinnon	Palmers Oakey	
Jock Ferguson		Resident
W Wilkinson	Upper Turon	Resident Miner
Mary McIntyre		Resident
Mrs J Morson		
F Hyde Jr		
J Mansfield	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner

COMMON STOCK 0WNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Francis Hyde	3	3
Mrs J V Ferguson	2	13
Ewen Ferguson	4	11
Duncan Ferguson	3	13
H Lewis	3	
D Hopkins	3	

Mrs McKinnon	2	5
G Bower	1	
Mrs H Theobald	3	9
Michael McDonnell		3
Alfred Wilkinson	2	10
Alf Wilkinson	6	
Mrs J A McKinnon	5	11
Caroline McIntyre		14
George McLeod	6	
James Dyson	2	3
John T Bower	6	
James McDonnell	1	5
W J Wilkinson	1	6
Jock Ferguson	2	9
Mrs Alice, Smith	1	8
J Wannick	1	14
Mrs B Wannick		11
E M Lewis		16
M A Lewis	1	5
Elsie Lewis	2	
Mrs D Ferguson		4
Rachel Franks	1	3
Ted Theobald	1	
A J Bower	1	
30	63	176

Common Expenditure £12-4-11 Stock Tax £2-12-11. Common paid F Hyde 7/- for one day for seeing sheep off common. £1-13-0 to F Hyde and E Ferguson 3 days work and 1 horse 1 day repairing fence. £1-19-6 to A Hyde for covering and filling holes. 8/- to secretary going to Sofala re information for branding stock.



1906 Bathurst Rainfall 23.33 ins.

13-01-1906	A public meeting was held on this date at which the balance sheet was read and passed. D D Munro chairman.
13-01-1906	A trustees meeting was held to see if all the trustees was in favor of having the rules and regulations gazetted carried unanously (sic) D McKinnon chairman.
31-03-1906	A trustees meeting was held on this date at which the sec was instructed to get the brand made for branding the cattle also the tattoo oil and paint and the meeting closed. D McKinnon chairman.
05-05-1906	A special meeting was held on this date to decide on the day the branding was to be commenced and it was agreed that the trustees was to start branding on Tuesday 15th of May 1906 and the meeting closed. D McKinnon chair.
23-06-1906	A trustees meeting was held on this date at which the secretary was instructed to pay the moneys to those who assisted to brand the commoner's stock and the meeting closed. D McKinnon chair.
00-07-1906	James Kingland teacher at Palmers Oakey school.
11-08-1906	A trustees meeting called for this date but no quorum attended and the meeting lapsed.
21-08-1906	-A native dog drive took place at Dark Corner on Friday last, and six dogs were shot, making a total of 22 this year.
08-10-1906	Miss Bridget Hyde Post Mistress at Upper Turon Post Office.
27-10-1906	A trustees meeting was called on this, but as there was no quorum the meeting lapsed. F Hyde chairman
12-12-1906	A trustee meeting was held on this date when the secretary was appointed to get advice from a solicitor about getting the back debts collected and the meeting closed. F Hyde in the chair.
	A public meeting was held on this date at which the commoners roll was revised and the meeting closed. D D Munro Chairman

SHOP AT PALMERS OAKEY 1906

Dr To T Franks.

April	3	1 Bot of pills	1-1
	4	1 Bar of soap	9d
	12	2 Tins of sardines	8d
	12	1 Tin of salmon	11d
	12	1 Tin of herrings	3d
	13	1 tin of pepper	3d
	23	4 lbs of steak @ 4 1/2	1-6
	24	5 3/4lbs corn beef @ 4	1-1
	29	7 lbs roast @ 4 ½	2-7 1/2
May	3	6 lbs salt @4	2-0
	7	1 bot of pills	1-1
	9	2 lbs nails	9d
	13	8 lbs salt @ 4	2-8
	13	2 lbs steak @4 ½	9-0
			£1-4-9 1/2
Oct	4	4 lbs chops	7d
	14	1 1/2 tea	1-0
	21	20 1/2 lbs beef	7-7
		2 tins salmon	1-0
		12 lbs sugar	3-0
			£0-13- 2

Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 20.
D D Munro, Mrs D Ferguson, PM, Mrs J Ferguson, Miss E Robinson, J A M Shuuun, C P Ferguson, D McKinnon, Ettie McKinnon, Charles Budde, Mr Thygeston, A McKinnon.

Letters from Upper Turon 14. PM, J A M Shuuun, Sidney Wilson, J L Bower, H A Thompson, Herman Hess.

Letters from Dark Corner 1. H A Thompson.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Francis Hyde Snr	3	6
Francis Hyde Jnr		2
Ewen Ferguson		13
Duncan Ferguson	3	10
Elsia Lewis	3	
Mrs E McKinnon		2
Mrs H Theobald	4	9
Alfred Wilkinson Sn	2	10
Alf Wilkinson Jr	3	2
Mrs C V McIntyr		8
George McLeod		5
James Dyson	2	3
John T Bower		6
James McDonnell	1	10
William Wilkinson	1	1
Jock Ferguson	4	6
Julius Wannick	1	14
Mrs B Wannick		12
E M Lewis	2	7
A M Lewis		11
Mrs D Ferguson	4	9
Rachel Franks	1	
Henry Mansfield		1
Mary E Mcintyre		5
W J Wilkinson	1	9
Mrs J A McKinnon	6	10
Sarah McKinnon	2	6
Peter & Robert Munro	7	
W Tacke	1	
F Buckerfield	1	
Young Gun	4	7
Arthur Hyde	2	1
J T Franks	2	9
Elizabeth McKinnon	1	2
	34	61 196

Common Expenditure £19-10-6 1/2 Stock Tax £3-1 -1

Common purchased a bull from Mr Leighton for £6-0-0 and paid 14/- to have the bull driven over from Limekilns. Common paid 1brand 5/-, 7 Lbs white lead 3/3, 2 Gals boiled oil 9/-, 1 gal tattoo oil 4/6, m £1 -1 -9

1906 DIVISION of MACOUARIE
PALMERS OAKEY POLLING PLACE
Roll of Persons entitled to Vote under the Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
1	BAIRD	Andrew Nelson	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
2	Barry	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
3	Benning	Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
4	Bowerng	Albert Joseph	M	Palmers Oakey	Bee farmer
5	Bowers	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
6	Buckerfield	Francis	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
7	Budden	Charles	M	Tobins Oakey	Miner
8	CLARK	George	M	Warrie	Labourer
9	Clayton	Thomas Patrick	M	Palmers Oakey	Boundary rider
10	Cousin	Henry Edmund	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
11	DAVIDSON	William	M	Warrie	Miner
12	Doonan	Alfred	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
13	Dunkel	Jacob	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
14	Dunn	Martin	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
18	FERGUSON	Charles	M	Palmers Oakey	Carrier
19	Ferguson	Duncan Jr.	M	Palmers Oakey	Carrier
20	Ferguson	Ewen	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
21	Ferguson	Mary Elizabeth	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
22	Ferguson	Matilda	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
23	Franks	Annie Australia	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
24	Franks	John Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
25	HOPKINS	Daniel	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
26	Hyde	Arthur Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
27	Hyde	Frank	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
28	Hyde	Mary Ann	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
29	KINGSLAND	James William	M	Palmers Oakey	Teacher
30	McDONNELL	James	M	Upper Turon	Miner
31	McIntyre	Caroline Victoria	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
32	McKinnon	Duncan	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
33	McKinnon	Archibald Walter	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
34	McKinnon	Edward Donald	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
35	McKinnon	Elizabeth	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
36	McKinnon	John Angus	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
37	McKinnon	Mary Ann	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
38	McKinnon	Sarah	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
39	McLeod	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
40	Martin	Ellen	F	Upper Turon	D D
41	Martin	Ellen Jr.	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
42	Miller	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Old age pension
43	Morson	Jamieson	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
44	Munro	David	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
45	Munro	Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
46	Munro	Peter	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
47	NEWLING	lsaac	M	Upper Turon	Miner
48	O'BRIEN	Jeremiah	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
49	PARR	Ernest	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
50	Parr	Margaret	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
51	Pither	Richard	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
52	RANDALL	George White	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
53	SCOTT	Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Grazier
54	Smith	Albert Ernest	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
55	Steel	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
56	Stewart	Ferdinand	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
57	TACKE	William	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
58	Theobald	Eliza Jane	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
59	Theobald	Henry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
60	Theobald	Walter Arthur	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
61	Theobald	William	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
62	Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Overseer
63	Thygeson	Lauritz	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
64	WANNICK	Bridget:	F	Upper Turon	DD
65	Wannick	Julius	M	Upper Turon	Miner
66	White	James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
67	Wilkinson	Alfred	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
68	Wilkinson	Alfred Jr.	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
69	Wilkinson	Frances	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
70	Wilkinson	William	M	Upper Turon	Miner
71	Wilkinson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
72	Williams	Harry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
73	Wolfenden	Edward Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

1907 Bathurst Rainfall 20.69 ins,

05-01-1907 A public meeting was hold on this date for the purpose of electing trustees for the ensuing three years and the following trustees were duly elected; Edward Wolfenden, Julius Wannick, Henry Theobald, Arthur Hyde, Robert McKinnon, D D Munro chairman.

09-02-1907 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which meeting it was resolved to exchange the bull with Mr Gallager for one of his bulls and J Wannick was commissioned to go and inspect the same and the meeting adjourned Present, E Wolfenden chairman, J Wannick, A Hyde, H T Theobald.

30-03-1907 A trustee meeting was held on this date and it was resolved that all the stock that was not given in and paid for should be impounded and the meeting closed. E Wolfenden chairman.

15-06-1907 A trustee meeting was held on this date at which the trustees gave Alf Wilkinson notice to pay for his stock and if not paid for they were to be impounded E Wolfenden chairman.

06-07-1907 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which Alf Wilkinson came and paid 14/- shillings towards paying for his stock and the meeting closed. R McKinnon pro chairman.

18-08-1907 Flora Ferguson born (m E M Smith)

31-08-1907 A trustees meeting was hold on this date at which the trustees gave Daniel Hopkins notice to pay for his stock and if not paid for they were to be impounded and the meeting closed, E Wolfenden chairman.

00-09-1907 Alex McDonald schoolteacher at Palmers Oakey.

04-09-1907 LYNCH-The friends of the late THOMAS LYNCH (many years resident of Upper Turon and late of Jindabyne) are respectfully invited to attend his funeral to leave Western Suburbs Cottage Hospital THIS AFTERNOON at 2 o clock, for the Necropolis, Burwood station. SMH

15-10-1907 Mrs Lilly Wolfenden postmistress at Palmers Oakey in place of John McKinnon.

26-10-1907 A special meeting of trustees was held on this date to consider if the trustees were agreeable to let A P Bower to have a Permissive Lease of 1 acre of this common and all the trustees present objected to any more of these leases being granted. Henry Theobald in the chair.

09-11-1907 Common paid D Ferguson 5/-to dehorn bull.

14-12-1907 A duly advertised public meeting was hold on this date for the purpose of revising the commoners roll which was duly done and the meeting closed. Ted Wolfenden chairman.

Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 5.

L Smith, J A McKinnon, Ewen Smith, Fred Theobald, Ewen Ferguson.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Francis Hyde Snr	2	8
Francis Hyde Jnr	2	3
Ewen Ferguson		12
Duncan Ferguson	5	8
Elsis Lewis	4	1
E McKinnon	2	
Mrs Theobald	3	12
Alfred Wilkinson Sn	2	11
George McLeod	2	
James Dyson	3	3
John T Bower	6	
James McDonnell	2	11
William Wilkinson	1	1
Jock Ferguson	3	11
Julius Wannick	1	15
E M Lewis	2	13
M A Lewis		5
Mrs D Ferguson	2	14
Rachal Franks		2
Mary E McIntyre	1	7
W J Wilkinson		9
Mrs J A McKinnon	3	13
Sarah McKinnon	2	8
Peter Munro	8	6
W Tacke	1	
Arthur Hyde	1	
J T Franks		9
Elizabeth McKinnon	3	1
E Theobald	2	
R D McKinnon	1	
Mrs C V McIntyre	1	4
William Theobald	2	
Walter Theobald	2	
Young Gunn	3	10
Albert Bower	1	
Mrs Wolfenden		4
Ethel Munro,		12
Daniel Hopkins	4	
Rachel Franks	2	4
39	74	207

Common Expenditure £13-8-11 StockTax£2-17-4

Common paid rangers £1-2-00 for one day impounding they were Arthur Hyde and Robert McKinnon. Sec was paid 4/- for going around to see trustees re land applied for by D Ferguson on common. D Hopkins and H Theobald were paid £1-16-0 for making right away for stock to get to the river.

1908 Bathurst Rainfall 16.13 ins.

A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of reviewing the balance sheet for the year 1907 which was done and passed as correct, Also to elect a trustee in leiu of Robert McKinnon resigned when W J Wilkinson was duly elected proposed by George McLeod and seconded by David Munro and carried. D D Munro chairman of meeting.

16-01-1908 Bathurst Land Board Court; William Gilbert Thompson (claimant) -V- Herbert Shumack (selector). Appraised at £11-16-10 for claim for improvements.

21-01-1908 A bushfire started at Sunny Corner near the farm of Mr Murray and in half an hour it was burning fiercely and had swept over the farm paddocks. The homestead, outbuildings and machinery were in imminent danger. Constable Head organised a party from Big Hill mine and after much fighting the blaze was stopped. Several fires have started near the town and with the heat (91) citizens are concerned. The residents are congratulating themselves on the magnificent water supply, which gives no sign of giving out.

21-03-1908 A trustees meeting was held on this date and it was proposed by H Theobald to call tenders to fill and cover all the holes on the lower common which was seconded by E Wolfenden and was duly carried And the sec was instructed to go to Sofala and bank 30 pounds that was on hand and the meeting closed, E Wolfenden chairman.

06-04-1908 The Greatest Exponent of Rough riding Extant,
TO-NIGHT OUR NEW LADY RIDER,
TO-NIGHT Miss MCKINNON of Palmers Oakey, will give an Exhibition on Grey Echo
TO-NIGHT-W CODY of Mount Morgan will attempt to ride the Outlaw. SNIPS
COME AND SEE AT PRINCE ALFRED PARK.
(Miss Elizabeth McKinnon) This was an advertisement in papers and on billboards.

00-06-1908 E Bright school teacher at Palmers Oakey.

06-06-1908 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which there were three trustees present and granted Ah Wong a commoners right, as there was no other business to transact the meeting closed. E Wolfenden chairman.

19-09-1908 A public meeting was held on this date to elect a trustee in lieu of Julius Wannick resigned and following gentleman was duly elected R D McKinnon proposed by H Theobald seconded by P A Munro. D D Munro chairman.

12-10-1908 Meeting of trustees four present. Business, electing secretary in leiu of D Munro resigned and other business in connection with common , meeting closed E Wolfenden chairman.

21-11-1908 Meeting of trustees hold for the purpose of appointing Herdsman, ordering muster of stock on common and general business. H Theobald chairman.

21-12-1908 Trustees meeting on this date , four present. business , It was resolved to notice persons with reference to leaving gates etc open leading on to the common. (by Placard). That prosecutions will follow any breach of this regulation. The sec was instructed to write for certain information re fences on common . It was also decided to purchase a bull for use on the common. It was also decided to repair certain fences. Meeting closed, H Theobald chairman.

Lambs marked by D Ferguson 53. 27 by Rommay Marsh & 26 by Lincon Rams

Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Sunny Corner 11.

J A Bower, Martin Dunn, Ewen Ferguson, Ewen Smith, R Franks, Albert J Bower, C Ferguson, P A Munro, Ellen Mary Scott, Miss E M Martin.

Letters from Sofala . Ewen Ferguson, H A Thompson-C Ferguson.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Francis Hyde Snr	2	10
Ewen Ferguson	1	10
Duncan Ferguson	3	11
Elsie Lewis	5	
Mrs H Theobald		13
Alfred Wilkinson Sn	2	10
James Dyson	3	1
John T Bower	7	
James McDonnell	1	10
William Wilkinson	1	2
Jock Ferguson	3	12
Julius Wannick		7
Mrs D Ferguson	3	13
Rachel Franks	2	4
Mary E McIntyre	1	10
W J Wilkinson	1	11
Sarah McKinnon	2	8
Peter Munro	9	6
W Tacke	1	
Arthur Hyde,	1	2
J T Franks	1	8
R D McKinnon		2
Mrs C V McIntyre		4
W F Theobald		2
Young Gunn	2	10
Albert Bower	1	
Mrs Wolfenden	1	7
Ethel Munro		6

Daniel Hopkins	5	
E Wolfenden	1	
Henry Theobald	2	4
Manuel Lewis	1	18
Alf Wilkinson Jr	3	4
Miss A Theobald		3
R Theobald	4	5
Edward Theobald	2	2
Alic McDonald	1	
37	68	205

COMMON ROLL 1908

NAME	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Jacob Dunkell	Miner
Duncan Ferguson	Farmer
Ewen McC Ferguson	“
Charles P Ferguson	Miner
Francis Hyde Snr	“
David Munro	Resident
A Wilkinson Snr	Carrier
Henry Theobald	Miner
George McLeod	Carrier
J T Franks	Storekeeper
Duncan McKinnon	Miner
James Dyson	Miner
Carolina McIntyre	D D
William Tacke	Miner
Peter Munro	Miner
James McDonnell	Miner
Daniel Hopkins	“
W Wilkinson	“
William Theobald	Mail Contractor
Mrs Theobald	D D
Manuel Lewis	Farmer
John Bower	Carrier and storekeeper
A Wilkinson Jr	Miner
Herbert Lewis	“
Mrs J Dyson	D D
Edward Theobald	Miner
Mrs D Munro	Resident
Mrs D Ferguson	D D
Rachial Franks	Resident
Mrs M Lewis;	“
Elcie Lewis	“
David J Bower	Labourer
A J Bower	“
Arthur Hyde	Miner
Robert McKinnon	“
Jock Ferguson	“
W J Wilkinson	Carrier
Mary McIntyre,	Resident
F Hyde Jr	Miner
J Mansfield	“
Mrs Theobald	D D
Mrs D McKinnon	D D
Elizabeth McKinnon	Resident
Ethel Munro	“
A McDonald	Teacher
Martha Munro	Resident
Doll Theobald	“
Robert Theobald	“
Annie Hyde,	“
Martin Dunn	Selector
E Wolfenden	Maintenance Man
Mrs Wolfenden	D D
Rupert Dyson	Miner
Ewen McKinnon	“
Elizabeth Dyson	Resident
Me Wong	Gardener
Emily Wong	D D
Len Smith	Station hand

Common Expenditure £26-10-9 1/2 Stock Tax £2-18-4

Common paid sec 12/- for going to Sofala to Bank £30 in the savings bank book No. 627. Paid F Hyde £5-10-00 for covering holes and repairing fence . J Ferguson £2 for covering and filling holes. £5 for purchase of bull. 10/- to D McKinnon for droving bull. 1/6 for carriage of bulls hide.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1908

People Registered as living in the Palmers Oakey area

No	.Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
1	BARRY	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
2	Banning	Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
3	Bower	Albert Joseph	M	Palmers Oakey	Bee farmer
4	Bower	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
5	Budden	Charles	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
6	CLARK	George Herbert	M	Warrie	Labourer
7	Clayton	Thomas Patrick	M	Palmers Oakey	Boundary rider
8	DAVIS	James	M	Ready Creek	Miner
9	Dunkel	Jacob	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
10	Dunn	Martin	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
11	Dyson	James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
12	Dyson	Elizabeth Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
13	FERGUSON	Charles	M	Palmers Oakey	Carrier
14	Ferguson	Duncan Jr.	M	Palmers Oakey	Carrier
15	Ferguson	Ewen	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
16	Ferguson	Mary Elizabeth	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
17	Ferguson	Matilda	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
18	Franks	Annie Australia	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
19	Franks	John Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
20	Franks	Rachael	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
21	GLAZIER	Alfred	M	Fiddlers Gully	Miner
22	HARDY	Mary	F	Turon River	HD
23	Hardy	Thomas	M	Turon River	Miner
24	Hill	Henry	M	Turon River	Miner
25	Hill	Thomas	M	Turon River	Miner
26	Hopkins	Daniel	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
27	Hyde	Arthur Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
28	Hyde	Frank	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
28	Hyde	Bridget	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
30	LEWIS	Mary Ann	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
31	McINTYRE	Carolina Victoria	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
32	McKinnon	Duncan	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
33	McKinnon	Robert	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
34	McKinnon	Elizabeth	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
35	McKinnon	John E Charles	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
36	McKinnon	Sarah	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
37	McLeod	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
38	McLeod	Hugh	M	Reedy Creek	Miner
39	Mansfield	Henry John	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
40	Mansfield	John George	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
41	Martin	Alexander	M	Fiddlers Gully	Miner
42	Munro	David	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
43	Munro	Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
44	Munro	Peter	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
45	Munro	Martha	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
46	O'BRIEN	Jeremiah	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
47	PARR	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
48	Parr	Margaret:	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
49	Pither	Richard	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
50	RANDALL	George White	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
51	SCOTT	Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Grazier
52	Scott	Ellan Mary	F	Turon River	H D
53	Steel	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
64	TACKE	William	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
55	Theobald	Eliza Jane	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
56	Theobald	Henry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
57	Theobald	Edward	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
58	Theobald	William	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
59	Theobald	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
60	Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Overseer
61	WILKINSON	Alfred	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
62	Wilkinson	Alfred Jr.	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
63	Wilkinson	Frances	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
64	Wilkinson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
65	Williams	Harry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
66	Wolfenden	Edward Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
67	Wolfenden	Lilian	F	Palmers Oakey	H D

1909 Bathurst rainfall 23.13 ins.

05-01-1909 From the Bathurst Daily Argus. Wool Shed Destroyed. Yesterday the police received a report to the affect that a woolshed with contents had been destroyed by fire at the homestead of John McKinnon of Limekilns. About 1 O'Clock while the family were at dinner they noticed flames issuing from the woolshed. Their efforts were ineffectual due to the total absence of water. A strong wind was blowing and very soon the shed and contents were in ruins. The shed was not far from the house and an old stable, a wooden stable stands between. It was feared that the dwelling would also be destroyed, but fortunately by removing a portion of the stable this was prevented. The only thing saved from the shed was a tin of tar. About 40 bales of wool and 400 sheepskins ready for carting to market were destroyed and the estimated damage is between £300 and £400.

05-01-1909 Union Church at Palmers Oakey gave £1-10-00 to the Bathurst District Hospital

07-01-1909 From Bathurst Daily Argus. Bush Fire at Sunny Corner. Lagoon mine plant destroyed and 1 000's acres of grassland destroyed.

11-01-1909 From Bathurst Daily Argus. A Mudgee syndicate is in the progress of formation to take over the option of purchase of the British Lion Mine situated at the Gulf Mountain, Upper Turon. The mine was worked in the early sixties and several crushings were taken out, which gave results of from 6 to 15 ozs per ton. This mine was worked under primitive conditions of mining of those days and the miners were driven out by heavy water when they had reached the shallow depth of 140 feet. When the option is accepted the party will test the lower levels in the vicinity of these rich veins by means of tunnels which have been driven under them to drain off the water.
There are also said to be some satisfactory low-grade deposits in the close vicinity of these shafts, which have been put down on the line of reef.

15-01-1909 A public meeting was held on this date, 25 present. Business, production of balance sheet for the year 1908 and election of one trustee. Mr D McKinnon on the motion of P Munro was duly elected for the remaining 12 months of term. After other ordinary business was discussed the meeting closed. E Wolfenden chairman.

16-01-1909 A trustees meeting held on above date, 3 present. Business. It was decided on the motion of H Theobald to remove and re erect certain fencing for which the secretary was instructed to call tenders at once. Meeting closed H Theobald chairman.

00-01-1909 Residents of Palmers Oakey and Dark Corner wrote to the Postal Dep asking for increased frequency of mail services between these places and West Mitchell and requesting that their correspondence be sent on mail days direct from Sunny Corner instead of previously being sent to West Mitchell. Postal Dep said revenue derived from that line is too small to warrant extra expenditures, The tender of W G Francis of Sunny Corner was accepted for carriage of mails for 3 years as from 1-1-1909 to and from West Mitchell, Dark Corner, Palmers Oakey twice a week by sulky for the sum of £45-00-00 per year. Arrangements are now being made for a direct exchange of mails between Sunny Corner, Dark Corner and Palmers Oakey and correspondence for Dark Corner and Palmers Oakey reaching Sunny Corner between mail days will be retained for dispatch instead of being sent on to West Mitchell as heretofore.

13-02-1909 From Bathurst Daily Argus. Sofala Court. At the Small Debts Court on Thursday 11-2-09 before Mr T C K McKell PM, a claim for £2-00-00 for damage to stock was made by D Hopkins against Eliza Theobald. After evidence was given a verdict was returned for defendant.
From Bathurst Daily Argus. Find at Dark Corner. A rich find of alluvial gold at Dark Corner has caused some stir in that quarter. Four pieces brought into town weigh 35 ozs, the largest 18 oz, The gold is remarkably pure as one piece in particular being quite free from quartz, whilst the other contains very little of it. It is said there is more to follow and if they can only trace it up to the reef something sensational is likely to eventuate. Mr Grabham is the lucky prospector and we understand an exhibit is likely to be made of the nuggets at the forthcoming show in Bathurst.

18-02-1909 From the Bathurst Daily Argus Mr William Corlis of Bandanora Station Capertee married Miss Mary Lawler, sister of the Rev Father W Lawler of Molong. Rev Father Lawler officiated. The bride who was given away by Mr Veech of Molong was attended by Miss Madeline Corlis sister of the bridegroom, who was attended by Mr E Corlis. The wedding breakfast was at the Royal Hotel and the couple left for Sydney on the midday train

15-03-1909 A trustees meeting was hold on the above date for the purpose of considering and dealing with a communation from District Surveyor Orange re J G Bowers application for Special Lease within common. Trustees decided to object to the said Lease being allowed. Meeting closed R McKinnon chairman.

24-03-1909 A trustees meeting was held on the above date H Theobald in the chair. Full number present. Application from Miss E Martin and Mr C Ferguson for common rights was refused on grounds of non-resident. L Smiths application for common right granted. A request from D Ferguson to allow him pasturage for 6 head of stock over and above his compliment on common, refused. The secretary was instructed to notify Martin Dunn that his common right shall not be granted as from the end of half year ending 30 June 1909. Meeting dosed E Wolfenden sec.

24-04-1909 Stanley Wilkinson born.

00-07-1909 C Leonard schoolteacher at Palmers Oakey.

10-07-1909 A Trustees meeting held on the above date. D McKinnon in the chair. After discussing a motion by R McKinnon relative to a claim for improom (sic) to be put in for certain improments on common now selected, seconded by D McKinnon. It was decided to instruct secretary to attend to this matter. Meeting closed E Wolfenden Sec.

07-08-1909 SNOW AT SUNNY CORNER.DRIFTS FIFTY'FEET DEEP. MAILS DELAYED.
Dangers and difficulties of mail-carrying 'in mountain districts are illustrated in a telegraphic report received by the Central Postal Administration yesterday The deputy postmaster general for New South Wales reports receipt of advice from Sunny Corner dated August 4 to the effect that mailmen on the West Mitchell Dark Corner Palmer s Oakey lines have been blocked by snow drifts. For four days in succession the men were blocked after proceeding a distance of five miles SMH

18-10-1909 A Trustees meeting was held on above date. Matters of a general nature were discussed and on the motion of R McKinnon seconded by D McKinnon it was decided to refund the half years fees on common. D McKinnon in the chair.

18-12-1909 A trustees meeting was held on the above date for the purpose of revising the commoners roll for the year 1909. E Wolfenden sec.
Lambs marked by D Ferguson for the year 1909, 90.

Registered letters to Palmers; Oakey post office from West Mitchell 3. A J Bower, J T Bower, H A Thompson.
From Sunny Corner 1. Miss E M Martin.
From Sofala 1. Miss E Martin.
From Dark Corner 1. Thomas Scott.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Francis Hyde Snr	2	7
Duncan Ferguson	3	10
Elsie Lewis	6	4
Mrs Theobald	5	10
Alfred Wilkinson Sn	2	10
J Dyson	2	
W Wilkinson	1	
Mrs D Ferguson	7	9
R Franks	2	
Mary E McIntyre	1	8
W J Wilkinson	1	13
Mrs D McKinnon	2	5
Peter Munro	9	6
W Tacke	1	
J T Franks	1	6
R D McKinnon		4
Mrs C V McIntyre		5
W F Theobald	1	3
Young Gunn	2	12
Mrs Wolfenden	2	9
Daniel Hopkins	6	
E Wolfenden	1	
Henry Theobald	1	6
Alf Wilkinson Jr	3	3
Miss A Theobald		8
Edward Theobald	1	1
C Ferguson	1	8
Ethel Munro		14
Mrs Wong		1
T G Bower		13
G McLeod	2	
A J Bower	2	4
Mrs E Ferguson	2	8
Me Wong	1	
J McDonnell	2	5
E M Lewis	1	9
M A Lewis		9
37	70	212

Common Expenditure £22-13-6 Stock Tax £2-16-1. Common purchased bull £6-0-0, and paid D McKinnon for droving. £2-0-0 to W Corlis for exchange of bull and D McKinnon 8/- droving same from Capertee.

1910 Bathurst Rainfall 25.31 ins

08-01-1910 A common meeting held on above date. D Munro in the chair. Business to elect 5 trustees for the ensuing 3 years and to show balance sheet for 1909. The following gentlemen ware duly elected. Mr J T Bower, P Munro, C Ferguson, D McKinnon, R McKinnon. The balance sheet adopted on the motion of D Munro, sec by R McKinnon. Meeting closed E Wolfenden sec.

20-06-1910 A trustees meeting was held on the above date when the secretary was instructed to write to Brooks Land Agent re money coming from Hyde and Elbourne for improvements taking up on their Selection and the meeting closed. D D Munro Sec.

07-07-1910 Upper Turon school closed.

01-08-1910 A Trustees meeting was called for this date but no quorum attended and the meeting lapsed. D DMunro sec.

07-09-1910 A trustees meeting was called on this date to see what was to be done with the common gate as people were complaining about shutting it and it was resolved to have the gate put to right and the meeting closed. D D Munro sec.

00-09-1910 Palmers Oakey school closed.

21-10-1910 A public meeting was held on the above date for the purpose of revising the commoners roll which was done and the meeting closed. D D Munro Chairman.

04-11-1910 A trustees meeting held on this date re Duncan Fergusons application for 100 acres on this common and the trustees decided to have no more of the common taken off by any one by their consent and the meeting closed. D D Munro sec.

11-12-1910 A public meeting was called on this date for the purpose of revising the commoners roll which was duly carried out. D McKinnon.

11-12-1910 A public meeting was held on this date to elect Trustees for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected :- John Thomas Bowers, Robert McKinnon, Aiden Shumack, Peter Munro, Duncan McKinnon. At the same meeting the balance sheet was revised and passed Duncan McKinnon chairman.

26-01-1910 William Gilbert Thompson died at Bathurst.
Amy Alice Tobin born at Kia-Ora Upper Turon (m F. Tobin)

Bathurst Land Board.

ACP09/78	104 acres	E J Theobald	Confirmed	
CL 09/63	306 acres	E J Theobald	Confirmed	
OCP09/113		J H Elbourn	Crown Improvements	£10-17-00
CL 09/91	480 acres	J H Elbourn	Confirm Rent	4 ¼ d
CL 09/94	150 acres	J T Bower	Improvements £2-15-00 Rent 2 ½ d	
CL 09/116	100 acres	J T Bower		
OCP 09/118	105 acres	E Theobald		
CL 09/96	315 acres	E Theobald	Rent 2 ½ d	
OCP 09/119	200 acres	D Ferguson		
CL 09/97	440 acres	D Ferguson	Rent 3d	
CL 10/14	450 acres	D Ferguson	Rent 2 ½ d	
18-11-1910	ACP	194 ¼ acres	Ewen Ferguson	
01-12-1910	OCP 10/120	170 acres	J T Franks	
	OCP 10/51	500 acres	J T Franks	
	OCP 10/11	100 acres	William James Wilkinson	
	OCP 10/22	300 acres	William James Wilkinson	
	ACP 10/38	100 acres	Martin Dunn	
	CL 10/49	250 acres	Martin Dunn	

Application to Land Board by Horace Morgan "Bingletree" Sofala 40 acres ACP & 100 acres CL Dulabree.

14-12-1910 Eric Osborne Thompson lease refused. Frances James Hyde OCP 09/115 200 acres confirmed, CL09/95 600 acres confirmed, rent adjourned, Crown improvements £4-10-00. Claim for improvements, Palmers Oakey Common –V- Francis James Hyde; Hyde to pay £7-00-00.

Registered Letters Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell No.4 D.Ferguson, Ewie Smith, N Wright, Mrs D McKinnon, L McKinnon

Letters from Upper Turon No. 5 Mrs D Ferguson, Ewen Smith, Albert J Bower, J T Bower, A A Bower

Letters from Sofala No. 1 Mrs E Martin

Letters from Sunny Corner No. 7 Mrs D McKinnon, E Wolfenden, D Ferguson, Ewen Smith, H A Thompson Ewen Ferguson Tho P Clayton

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	**HORSES**	**CATTLE**
Sarah McKinnon		3
Elizabeth McKinnon		2
Robert McKinnon		2
Ewen P McKinnon		2
Ewen Ferguson	2	3
E Munro		5
P Munro	7	
Mrs D Munro		5
Matha Munro		5
D Munro	2	
Mrs E Wolfenden	2	3
E Wolfenden		5
C Ferguson	1	4
J Bower	7	
14	21	39

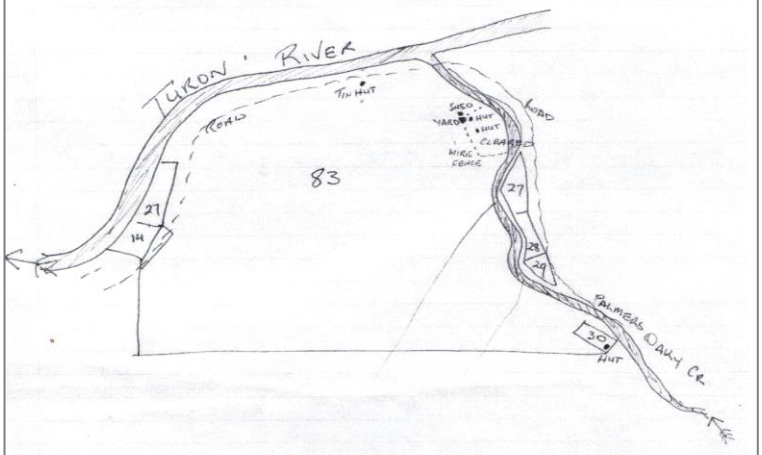
[Note the reduced number this year, the only residents are within ½ mile of crossroads.]
Common expenditure £7-2-0. Stock Tax 15/-,

06-05-1910 Common paid 10/- to C Ferguson for mustering bulls
10-05-1910 Common paid 10/- to D McKinnon for mustering bulls
04-06-1910 Common paid 5/- to D Ferguson for operating on bulls
17-10-1910 Common paid 10/- to D McKinnon for work in connection with sale of stags.

During 1910 a lot of small blocks were surveyed.

00-00-1910 Blaxland Shire rates were 1d in the £ on unimproved capital value, and interest on overdue rates was 4%.

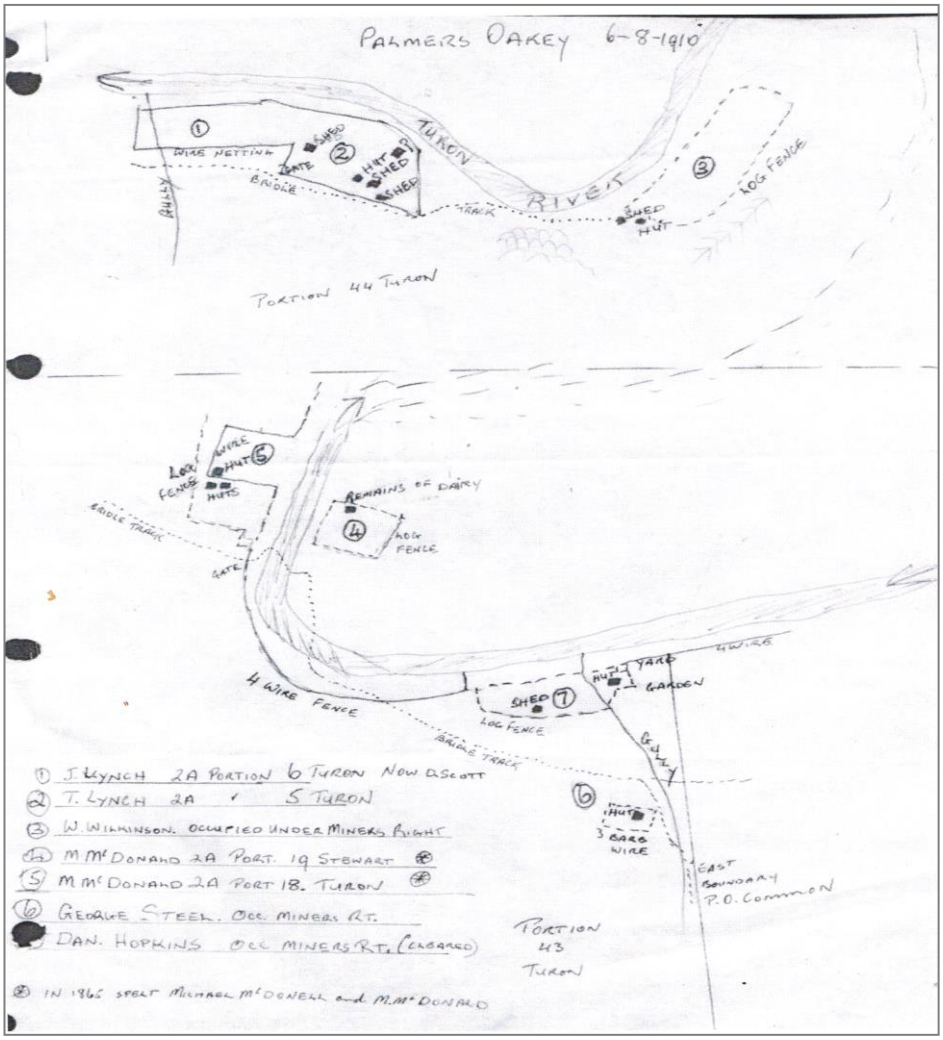
PALMERS OAKEY 7-9-1910
PORTION 83 DULAGREE.
APPLIED FOR BY WILLIAM. JAMES. WILKINSON JR.



PORT.	14	JAMES MOXON
	27	HENRY SIMPSON
	28	JAMES DYSON
	29	JOSEPH. WAKEFORD
	30	JULIUS WANNICK
		GEORGE McLEOD
		NOW. D. FERGUSON

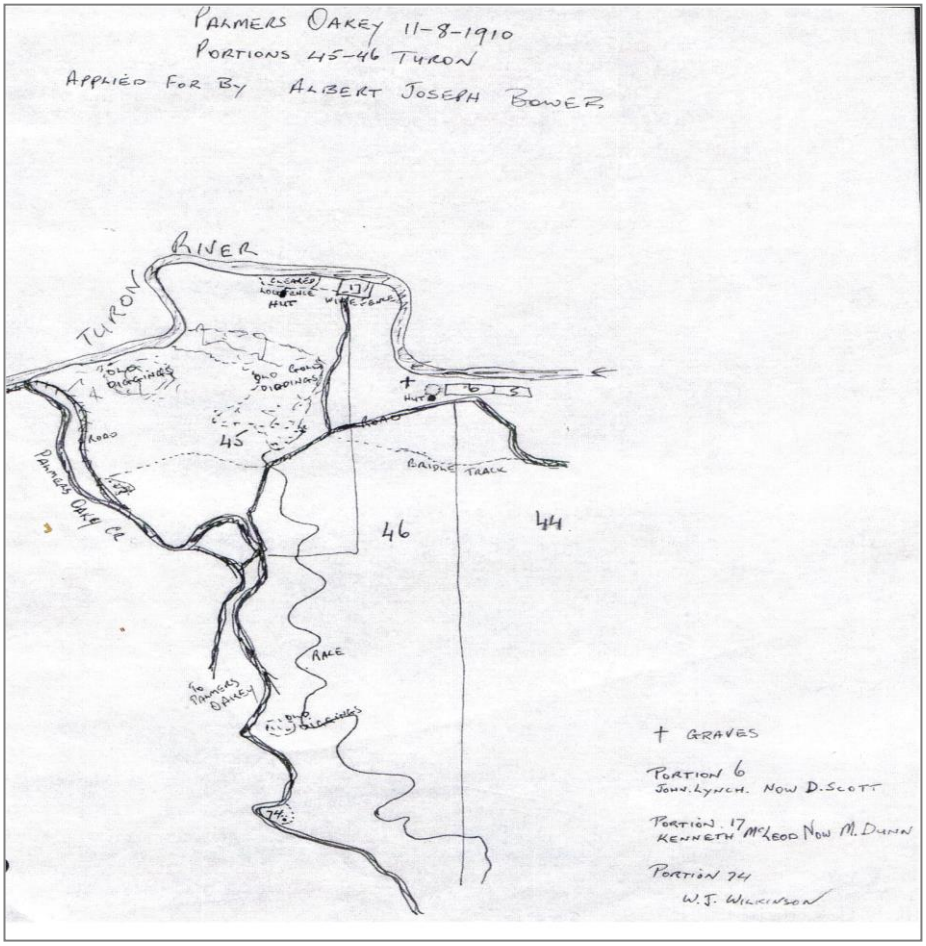
VALUES
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FENCING £3-15-0

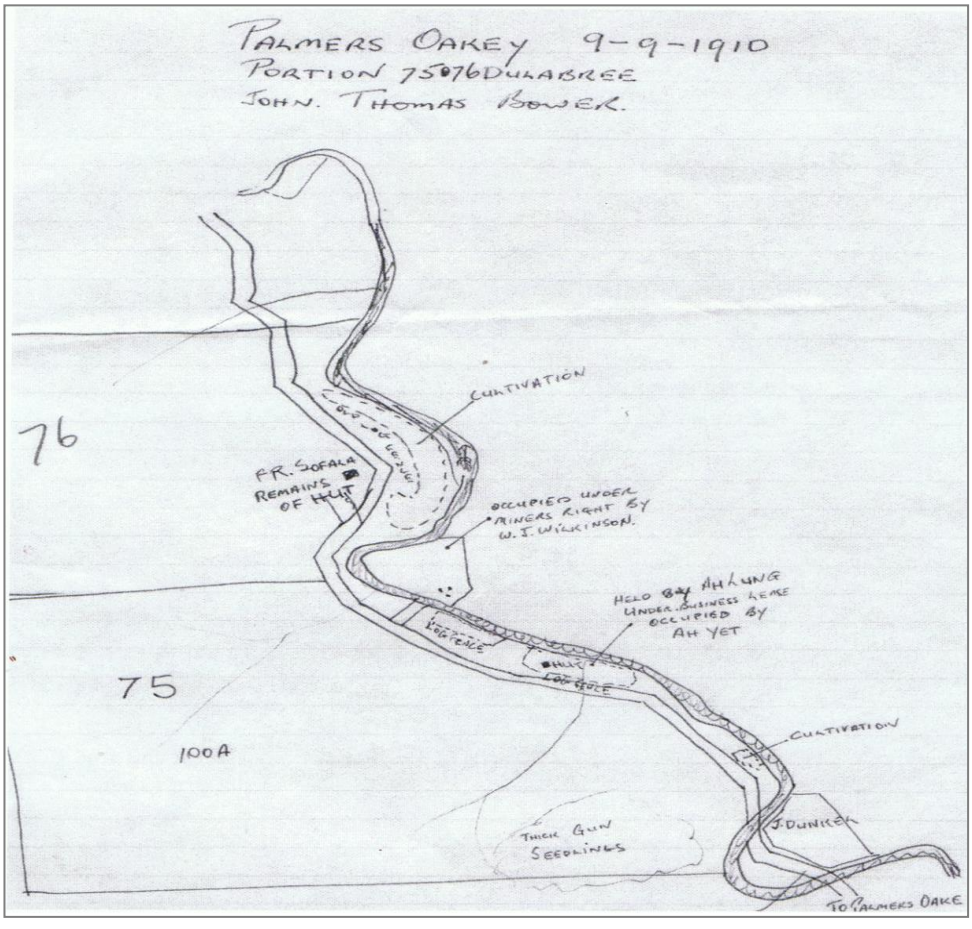
PALMERS OAKEY 6-8-1910



1. J LYNCH 2A PORTION 6 TURON NOW D.SCOTT
2. T. LYNCH 2A " 5 TURON
3. W. WILKINSON. OCCUPIED UNDER MINERS RIGHT
4. M Mc DONALD 2A PORT. 19 STEWART ⊛
5. M Mc DONALD 2A PORT 18. TURON ⊛
6. GEORGE STEEL. OCC. MINERS RT.
7. DAN. HOPKINS OCC MINERS RT. (ENGAGED)

⊛ IN 1965 SPELT MICHAEL McDONELL and M. Mc DONALD


PALMERS OAKEY 11-8-1910
PORTIONS 45-46 TURON
APPLIED FOR BY ALBERT JOSEPH BOWER.
TURON RIVER
SCRUB
LOG FENCE
HUT
WIRE FENCE
TOTARA DIDDYMUS
BLO COOKS DIDDYMUS
HUT
6
5
ROAD
45
ROAD
RAIDLE TRACK
PALMERS OAKEY CR
46
44
RACE
TO PALMERS OAKEY
BLO DIDDYMUS
74
+ GRAVES
PORTION 6
JOHN LYNCH. NOW D. SCOTT
PORTION 17
KENNETH McLEOD NOW M. DUNN
PORTION 74
W.J. WILKINSON


PALMERS OAKEY 9-9-1910
PORTION 75 & 76 DULABREE
JOHN THOMAS BOWER.
CULTIVATION
76
FR. SOFALA
REMAINS OF HUT
OCCUPIED UNDER MINERS RIGHT BY W.J. WILKINSON.
HELD BY AH LUNG
UNDER BUSINESS LEASE
OCCUPIED BY
AH YET
HUT
FOR SALE
75
100A
CULTIVATION
J. DUNLOP
THICK GUM SEEDLINGS
TO PALMERS OAKE

1911 Bathurst Rainfall 26 43 ins

02-03-1911	Duncan Latham Ferguson born "Kelvin" Palmers Oakey (m W T Elbourn)
08-08-1911	William Joseph Elbourn born "Kia Ord Upper Turon (m L Trotter)
02-10-1911	Manuel Lewis died. buried Palmers Oakey cemetery.
03-10-1911	E J (Ned) Bennett born Dark Corner (m R Hyde)
07-10-1911	Matilda Josephine Ford born Ben Bullen (m Stan Wilkinson)

Registered letters to Palmers Oakey from Sunny Corner 12. Ewen Ferguson, Thomas Scott, D Ferguson, H M Terry 1 T Coffey, E Smith, J T Franks, C Leonard, R Ferguson, R McKinnon, J T Bower, Mrs J Franks, R Franks.
Registered letters to Palmers Oakey from Upper Turon 4. Thomas Scott, Miss Munro, C Leonard, R McKinnon.
Registered letters to Palmers Oakey from Sofala 2. Miss E Martin, Mrs J Franks R Franks.
Registered letters to Palmers Oakey from Dark Corner 2. H A Thompson 2.

COMMON ROLL

D Ferguson
Mrs D Ferguson
D McKinnon
Sarah McKinnon
Elizabeth McKinnon
Ewen McKinnon
Ewen Ferguson
J T Bower
C Ferguson
P Munro
Ethel Munro
Matha Munro
D Munro
Mrs D Munro

The following were on the register but were crossed off

E Wolfenden
Mrs Wolfenden
J McKinnon
Leonard Smith
Amelia Bower
A J Bower

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
C Ferguson		5
P Munro	2	3
E Munro	1	3
Mrs Munro	1	4
M Munro	1	2
Sarah McKinnon	1	2
Robert McKinnon	2	1
Ewen McKinnon		
D Ferguson	3	2
Mrs D Ferguson		6
E Ferguson	1	
E Wolfenden	3	6
12	15	34

Common Expenditure £20-6-1 ½ Stock Tax 17/- £1-10-0 for gate 2/8 cartage on rail for gate £5- 0-0 D Ferguson for bull 2/6 D Ferguson cartage on gate £3- 7-6 D Ferguson erect gate £5- 0-0 F Hyde for gravelling contract

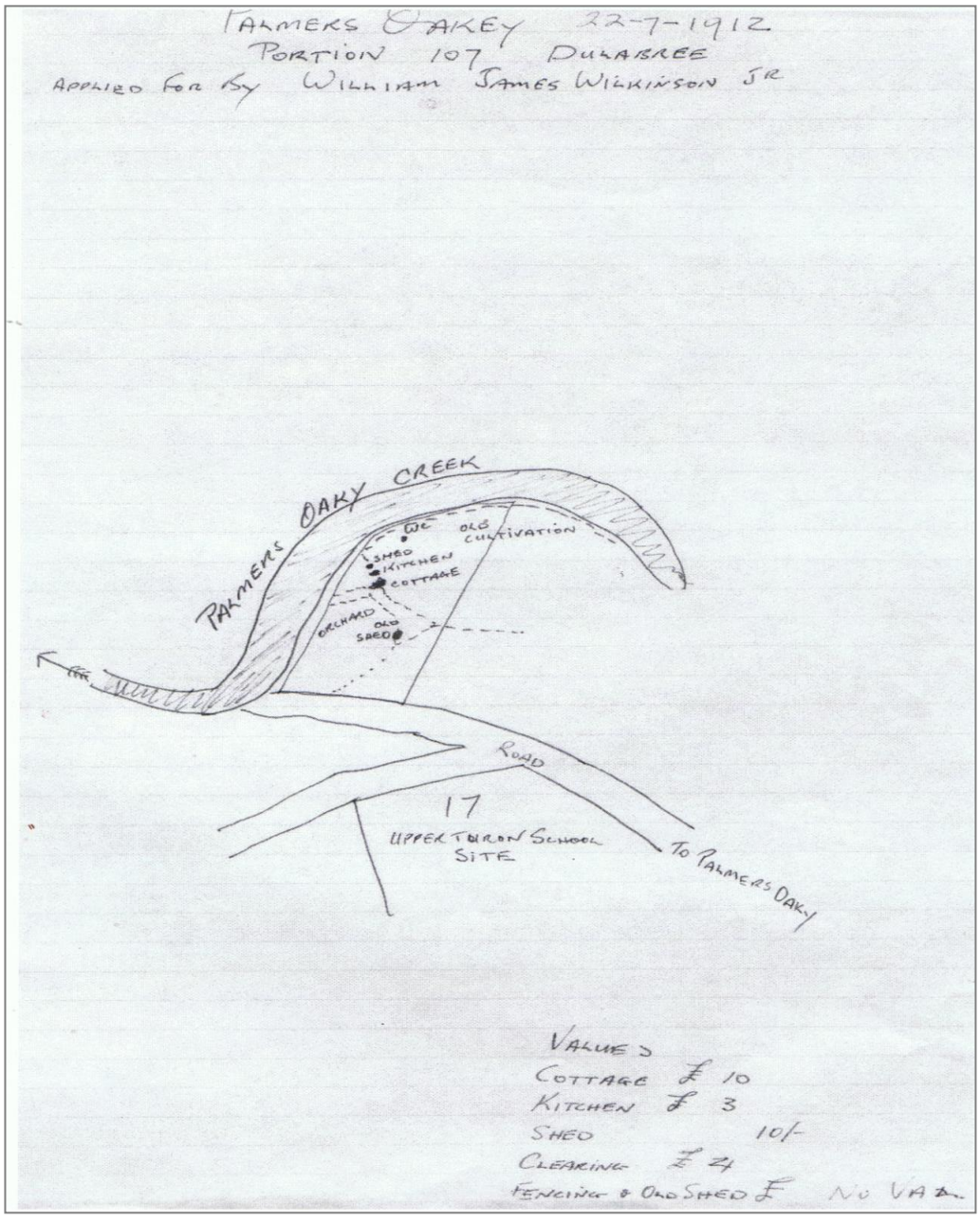
1912 Bathurst Rainfall 17.69 ins.

00-04-1912	Raymond Theobald born
27-01-1912	Peter Munro married Ethel May Shumack at Blayney.
30-03-1912	Palmers Oakey Sunday School presented Robert Franks with a book for regular attendance, good conduct and lessons senior class boys.
22-04-1912	John T Bower post master at Palmers Oakey in place of Mrs Wolfenden.
22-05-1912	STEALING FROM THE PERSON. HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION BOXER CHARGED. THE ACCUSED CONVICTED. Sydney. Wednesday. At the Bathurst Police Court yesterday, Harry M'Evoy, aged 26, who claims to be the heavyweight champion boxer of West Australia, was fined 40s., or 14 days' gaol, for having stolen about 17s. Od. from the person of Drysdale Scott, a grazier, of Dark Corner. lt is alleged that Scott was lying down in a local hotel yard, and that M'Evoy and another man picked him up, and assisted to place him on a couch. It is further alleged that M'Evoy, while doing so, put his hand in Scott's pocket and extracted the money. M'Evoy, in defence said that a man asked him to assist him with Scott, but he refused, and did not go near him. The police magistrate said that drunken men were easy prey for men like M'Evoy, who frequented hotels at all hours.'SMH
22-07-1912	William James Wilkinson Jr. applied for portion 107 Dulabree, cottage was valued at £10, Kitchen £3, Shed , £1. Clearing £4, Fencing and old shed no value.
25-11-1912	Florence Lilian Elbourn born at Kia Ora Upper Turon (m C Cupitt)

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
C Ferguson		4
Sarah McKinnon	1	2
Robert McKinnon		2
Ewen McKinnon		2
D Ferguson	2	5
Mrs D Ferguson	2	4
E Wolfenden	5	2
D McKinnon	3	
Mrs E Wolfenden		7
J Bower	3	
10	16	28

Common Expenditure £12-5-6 ½ Stock Tax 12/6 E McKinnon £ 3-0-0 for filling holes



1913 Bathurst Rainfall 21.07 ins.

William Tacke died aged 76,
Jacob Dunkel died ,
George Steel died aged 84.

16-01-1913 Ethel May Munro post mistress at Palmers Oakey in place of John Bower.

24-01-1913 Horace David Howard of Running Stream Capertee, made an application for Crown Lease 62 acres 2 roods being Portion 39 Stewart.

08-03-1913 A trustees meeting was held but there was nothing to discuss. Duncan McKinnon chairman.

19-03-1913 Elgin May Munro born

08-04-1913 IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.-Probate Jurisdiction^-In the Will of JACOB DUNKEL, late of Sofala and Palmer's Oakey, In the State of New South Wales, deceased.-Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that probate of the last Will of the above named deceased may be granted to ALFRED WILSON TAYLOR, one of the Executors named in the said will, and all Notices are to be served at the under mentioned address, Sofala. ALFRED WILSON TAYLOR. Sofala._

00-05-1913 C P Ferguson signed illuminated farewell to Mr and Mrs D R Howard of Running Stream.

21-06-1913 A trustees meeting was held on this date and the secretary was instructed to pay J Bower for the repairing of gate, no other business was done. A Shumack in chair.

04-10-1913 A trustees meeting was hold on this day to consider the best way to get rid of the rabbits and it was decided to dig out the burrows , shoot, and burn all hollow logs and the meeting closed. A Shumack chairman

13-12-1913 A public meeting was held on this date to elect a trustee in lieu of R McKinnon resigned. Charles P Ferguson was proposed by A Shumack seconded by J T Bower carried unamously (sic). A Shumack chairman. at the same meeting the common roll was revised . A Shumack chairman.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	CATTLE	HORSE
C P Ferguson	4	3
D R Ferguson	3	
C W Ferguson	1	
Duncan McKinnon		3
E P McKinnon	3	
Mrs D McKinnon	3	1
E J McKinnon	2	
Duncan Ferguson	5	1
Mrs Duncan Ferguson	7	1
J T Bower		5
Ethel Munro	4	
Mrs D D Munro	6	
P A Munro	4	1
Ewen Ferguson		2
14	42	17

Common Expenditure £5-11-1 ½ Stock Tax 12/1 Common paid J Bower £1 for mending gate

1914 Bathurst Rainfall 23.68 ins.

17-01-1914 A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of revising the balance sheet for the year 1913 which was passed as correct, also a trustee was elected in lieu of D McKinnon resigned. D D Munro was proposed by A Shumack seconded by C P Ferguson and carried and the meeting closed. A Shumack chairman. (note the meeting of 13-12-1913 elected C P Ferguson)

06-02-1914 A trustees meeting was held on this date when Mrs Theobald was granted a commoners right and the secretary was ordered to notice Alick Theolbald to remove his stock as he was not intitled (sic) commoners right and the meeting closed. A Shumack chairman.

13-02-1914 SNAKE. KILLS FERRETS. LITHGOW, Thursday. A report from Dark Corner states that Robert Byers, a local youth, purchased a pair of young ferrets recently, and was training them in their work. On going to the cage to look at his pets the other morning, after having given them milk, he observed a large black snake coming out, and discovered that his ferrets had been killed by the snake, which must' have been attracted by the milk.

28-03-1914 A trustees meeting was held on this date to raise the common fees as the revenue was not enough to cover the expenses , all the trustees were present. It was proposed by A Shumack that the fee should be 5/- per year and it was seconded by J T Bowers and carried and the meeting closed. D D Munro chairman.

11-06-1914 Mabel Munro born

01-08-1914 Jean Churchs born (m Stan McKinnon)

05-12-1914 A trustees meeting was held on this date and it was agreed that we call a public meeting on the 12th which was done accordingly.

12-12-1914 A public meeting was held on the above date to revise the commoners roll which was done and R McKinnon was struck off being twelve months out of the district. A Shumack chairman.

COMMON STOCK

NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
C P Ferguson & family	10	2
Duncan McKinnon		4
E P McKinnon	3	
Mrs D McKinnon	2	1
Duncan Ferguson	4	1
Mrs Duncan Ferguson	5	1
J T Bower		5
Mrs D D Munro	3	
P A Munro	2	2
Ewen Ferguson		2
Mrs P Munro	3	
A Shumack	3	
12	35	18

1914 Rural Lands Protection Board Records.

NAME	AREA	HORSES	CATTLE	SHEEP	ACRES
J H Elbourn	Upper Turon	3	10	213	640
Ewen Ferguson	Palmers Oakey			183	156
Duncan Ferguson	Sugarloaf PO	8	31	718	3370
F L Hyde	P O	7	6	352	805
D Scott	D C / S C	16	80	900	8900
Sunny Corner Common		71	374		
Sofala Common		195	442		13000
Aiden Shumack	D C			180	172
J W Shumack	Spring Vale D C	11	40	1470	6000
H Shumack	D C			700	2000
R G Shumack	D C	11	53	1930	8890
R M Smith	D C	6	20	500	2168
E J Theobald	P O	6	10	186	388

COMMON ROLL

Mrs D Ferguson
D Ferguson
D McKinnon
Mrs D McKinnon
Elizabeth McKinnon
Ewen McKinnon
Ewen Ferguson
J T Bower
Charles P Ferguson
Roy Ferguson
Charles Ferguson Jr
Peter Munro
Mrs P A Munro
Ethel Munro
Miss L Ferguson
A Shumack
Mrs E Shumack
D D Munro
Mrs D D Munro
Mrs C P Ferguson

The following were crossed off the roll.

Robert McKinnon
Richard Pither
W Egerton

Common paid stock tax of 12/- and paid £1 for poisoning rabbits.

Some of the Registered letters from Palmers Oakey post office during 1914.

DATE	No.	FROM	TO	DATE SENT
04-08-14	RR	P M	P M Bathurst	04-08-14
25-08-14	RR	P M	P M Bathurst	25-08-14
05-09-14	111	Mr,1Budden	Anthony Horden Sydney	05-09-14
05-10-14	113	Mr D McKinnon	Mrs G Bower Wyagdon	06-10-14
06-10-14	R R	P M	P M Bathurst	06-10-14
09-10-14	114	Mrs J Franks	E Webb & Co Bathurst	10-10-14
15-10-14	115	Mrs A Haddow	Anthony Horden Sydney	15-10-14
17-10-14	116	A Shumack	Mick Simmons Sydney	17-10-14
21-10-14	117	A Shumack	A Saunders Sydney	22-10-14
24-10-14	118	Miss Munro	Anthony Horden Sydney	24-10-14

1915 Bathurst Rainfall 19.27 ins.

16-01-1915 A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of reading the balance sheet (common trust) for the year 1914 which was found to be correct. Balance in hand £11-17-7. A Shumack chairman.

22-01-1915 John McLennon Smith enlisted in the lst AIF in the 4th Battalion.

01-02-1915 A common receipt. "Received on this day the sum of ten shillings from the secretary Palmers Oakey Common being part payment of one pound rent for 1 roan bull for two months from 1st Feb to1st April" signed W J Wilkinson.

12-03-1915 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith enlisted into the army at Liverpool

13-03-1915 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which it was decided to poison rabbits on the common £1 -0-0 being noted for the purpose also common rights were issued to L McKinnon and Ronnie Ferguson. A Shumack chairman.

17-06-1915 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which it was decided not to elect a fifth trustee in place of D D Munro deceased until the general election of trustees in November. It was also decided to warn holders of treaspassing stock that same would be impounded or action taken unless suitable means of preventing their straying were taken A T Shumack chairman.

25-06-1915 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith embarked for Gallipoli onboard the "Ceramic".

07-08-1915 John McLennon Smith died onboard the Hospital Ship “Dunluce Castle" from wounds received at Gallipoli and was buried at sea.

16-08-1915 Ewen Emest (Barney) Smith landed at Gallipoli.

23-08-1915 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith wounded in action (bullet wound arm) on Gallipoli.

13-09-1915 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith transferred to Lowlands Convalescent Camp at Mudros.

13-09-1915 A quarterly meeting of trustees was held on this date but no business of importance was brought forward. AT Shumack chairman.

16-10-1915 Winifred Tottie Elbourn born at Sofala Hotel (m Duncan Ferguson)
Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith rejoined his unit at the Gallipoli Peninsular

1915 COMMON STOCK

NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
C P Ferguson & family	3	5
Duncan McKinnon		3
Mrs D McKinnon	1	2
Duncan Ferguson	3	1
Mrs Duncan Ferguson	5	
J T Bower	1	5
Mrs D D Munro		2
P A Munro	3	2
Ewen Ferguson		1
Mrs P Munro	3	
D D Munro		1
Chas Ferguson Jun	1	
Leslie McKinnon	1	
13	21	22

Common Expenditure Stock tax 6/11. Paid W J Wilkinson £1 for rent of bull D Ferguson £1 for rent of bull. J T Bower £1 for poisoning rabbits Aust Day Fund £5-0-0

1916 Bathurst Rainfall 36.67 ins.

It was decided at a trustees meeting on this date to hold the postponed triennial trustees meeting on the 26-1-1916 and called a public meeting for the purpose also it was decided to revise the common roll and present the balance sheet at the same meeting. A T Shumack chairman.
A duly advertised public meeting was held on this date when the following trustees were elected for the ensuing 3 years , Duncan McKinnon, Duncan Ferguson, Peter Munro, Charles Ferguson, Roy Ferguson. The balance sheet for the year 1915 was also presented and passed at the meeting also the commoners roll was revised, A T Shumack chairman.

11-02-1916 A meeting of trustees was held on this date for the purpose of discussing the best means of poisoning rabbits. It was thought best to accept the loan of a poison cart from H A Thompson together with a quantity of mixed poison supplied at cost price also to accept the offer of D Ferguson to do the work of poisoning 2 days with one horse at a cost of £1 -0-0. The advisibility (sic) of renting a bull for 2 months for common use was also discussed. A T Shumack chairman.

08-03-1916 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith transferred to the 2nd Pioneer Battalion.

25-03-1916 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which it was decided to call tenders for filling or covering dangerous holes on the common A T Shumack chairman.

26-03-1916 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith proceeded from Gallipoli to France.

18-05-1916 Robert Donald McKinnon enlisted in the army at Broadmeadows & allotted army number 3157.

20-05-1916 A Shumack resigned as common secretary. His letter to the trust reads " Gentlemen, I have the honor to submit my resignation as Secretary to the above mentioned Common after the end of the current month and will be pleased if you will Kindly arrange a meeting of Trustees as soon as to examine and take over the Common Books & cash. I am Sirs Yours faithfully A J Shumack Secretary”

27-05-1916 A common trustees meeting was held on this date for the purpose of electing a fresh secretary. E Ferguson chairman.

01-06-1916 Mee Wong sold his 2 acres held by Miners Right to D Ferguson and Ellen Ah Chong sold her 2 acres on the west side of Mee Wongs to D Ferguson. Wong stated he had carried on the business of market gardener on the land.

12-06-1916 Lila Jean Munro born.

24-06-1916 A Trustees meeting was held at this date for the purpose of putting up notices for entering all stock also giving Mrs Theobald notice to keep off her stock. E Ferguson chairman.

08-07-1916 A trustees meeting was held at this date for the purpose of arrainging (sic) to impound straying stock. E Ferguson chairman.

08-08-1916 A meeting of trustees was called on the above date and was addressed by Mr Britt Stock Inspector for the purpose of retaining the common against several Special Leases that was applied for. The Matters brought before the trustees was carried by a big majority and the meeting was concluded with every satisfaction. D Ferguson chairman.

21-09-1916 A meeting of trustees of common was held to meet Mr Britt Stock Inspector in the matter of an application by C P Ferguson for a Residential Lease of about 4 acres and to discuss modifications of common boundrys. Minutes of 8-8-16 were red (sic) and confirmed . The Stock Inspector red (sic) his report to the Chief Inspector of Stock in which he offered the Special Lease Applications and E Fergusons, D Fergusons, P A Munro, C P Ferguson, D McKinnon, for areas from 50 to 260 acres also letter in Mr Shumack complaint. Application by Charles P Ferguson for residential lease of 4 acres Moved P A Munro seconded by D McKinnon that no objections was offered by the trustees to the application of 4 acres by C P Ferguson as shown by the Red brokin (sic) lins (sic) on plan submitted by the Stock Inspector. Modification of common boundries. Moved by Mr D McKinnon secon (sic) by P Munro, That application be made to revoke the existing common boundries which were gazetted when the area of the common had an additional 9000 acres but was withdrawn from the common about 7 years ago and that the common boundries be now confined to the boundries of the common 960 acres which was granted in 16-7-1892. continued to Sept 22 1916
Moved by D McKinnon sec by P Munro That axes (sic) to water be granted to D Ferguson from his residential lease to Palmers Oakey creek by a one chain lane along the east boundry of portion 26 and 28 then west along the south boundry of portion 28 about 5 chains to Engine Gully thence 2 chains wide south down such gully to the Palmers Oakey creek. D Ferguson chairman.
A meeting of trustees was held on the above date Moved by D McKinnon Sec by E Ferguson that P Munro and D Ferguson do two days work filling and covering dangerous holes for the sum of £2-0-0. Minutes of 21 & 22-9-16 were read and confirmed. P Munro Chairman.

17-10-1916 Robert McKinnon embarked at Sydney for England with the 7th Reinforcements, 1st Pioneer Battalion per the HMAT "Borda".

28-10-1916 A trustees meeting was held on this date and it was decided that 1/2.doz application forms be purchased for the purpose of applying for licence to remove timber from common Minutes of 30-9-16 were read and confirmed P Munro chairman.
A meeting of trustees was held on the above date and it was decided to impowr (sic) the secretary on behalf of trustees to object to all applications of larg ares (sic). An application by A Theobald was also objected to an axes (sic) to water by D Ferguson was granted. Minutes of 28-10-16 was red (sic) and confirmed. P Munro chairman

13-11-1916 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith promoted to corporal.

12-12-1916 A meeting of trustees was held on this date . Moved by C Ferguson sec by P Munro that a lisence, (sic) be granted to Duncan McKinnon to cut and remove standing timber from off the Palmers Oakey common . Moved by P Munro sec by Charls Ferguson that also a lisence (sic) be granted to D Ferguson for the same purpose as D McKinnon. P Munro chairman.

30-12-1916 A public meeting was held on the above date when the commoners roll was revised It was also proposed by C Ferguson seconded D Ferguson that a public meeting was to be held on the 13th of January 1917 for the purpose of examining balance sheet for the past year. P Munro chairman.

1916 COMMON STOCK

NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
Duncan McKinnon		1
Mrs D McKinnon	1	2
Duncan Ferguson	4	5
Mrs Duncan Ferguson	5	1
J T Bower		5
Mrs D D Munro	1	
P A Munro	2	2
Ewen Ferguson		4
Mrs P Munro	2	
Chas Ferguson Jun		2
Leslie McKinnon		1
A J Shumack	1	
Chas Ferguson Snr	1	3
Roy Ferguson		1
Mrs E Ferguson	1	2
15	18	29

COMMON ROLL FOR 1916

D Ferguson
Mrs D Ferguson
Duncan McKinnon
Mrs Duncan McKinnon
Ewen McKinnon
Ewen Ferguson
Mrs E Ferguson
J T Bower
Charles Ferguson Snr
Roy Ferguson
Charles Ferguson Jnr
Peter Munro
Mrs Peter Munro
Mrs D Munro
A Shumack
Mrs A Shumack
Mrs C Ferguson
Miss L M Ferguson
Miss E Munro
Les McKinnon
Ronnie Ferguson

Common expenditure £9-14-0. C Ferguson 7/- for poisoning rabbits, J T Bower 10/- for poisoning rabbits, H A Thompson 10/- for Quantity poison, D Ferguson £1-0-0 rent of bull, D Ferguson £1-0-0 fill holes, P Munro fill holes. Stock Tax 10/-

1917 Bathurst Rainfall 31.12 ins.

09-01-1917 Robert McKinnon disembarked at Plymouth England.

13-01-1917 A commoners meeting was held on the above date as advertised when the balance sheet for the past year was examined and found correct. The minutes of last meeting were read and carried. R Ferguson chairman.

15-01-1917 -An-interesting story attaches to the gold discovery at Sunny Corner. One of the Prospectors, Mr. Alex. Gray, was chasing his horse in the bed of the creek when the animal stumbled over a ridge breaking off a Quantity of quartz. Mr. Gray noticed that the quartz was gold-bearing. A further investigation was made, which led to the discover of the reef. Mr Burke, the mining warden, visited the scene of the discover yesterday. He was accompanied by several departmental officers and prominent mining men. The mine, which in future will be known as the Verdun mine, is situated in the bed of a creek that runs into the Turon River, the scene of the famous gold rush in the early fifties. The warden and party were much impressed by the prospects of the mine, and were supplied with abundant evidence that the first reports of the find had not been highly coloured. About a hundredweight of ore was opened up for inspection, one small tin dish containing quartz which was practically all gold. The warden descended the shaft (which is about 5 ft. deep), where Mr. Alexander Gray, one of the discoverers, picked off from the reef specimens that on being washed

showed up the colour in an unmistakable manner. Mr. Burke congratulated the owners, Messrs. H. Budden, C. Williams, and A. Gray, on their find, and expressed the hope that great things would be the outcome. He also intimated that arrangements would be made for immediately marking off claims, each applicant to be granted only five acres, so as to give small men a chance. Already 33 claims, representing 30 acres, have been lodged. The finders have pegged out only 20 acres though they are entitled to 75 acres. Development work is proceeding with all haste, and it will not be long before a substantial quantity of ore will be put to the test. Barrier Miner

19-01-1917 Ruby Hyde born (m E J (Ned) Bennett).

05-02-1917 D Ferguson granted permission to enclose roads through portions 69,70,92,97,98 and along side of 85 Dulabree

05-02-1917 A meeting was held on the above date at which Mr Britt presided he came to inspect residential lease application by Duncan McKinnon no objection was raised by trustees. Duncan Ferguson chairman

10-02-1917 A trustees meeting was held on the above date to appoint a new secretary E Ferguson having resigned Moved by C Ferguson seconded by D McKinnon that M J Ferguson take the secretaryship. A application for a common right from Miss E McKinnon was received and granted. R Ferguson chairman

13-03-1917 Herbert Shumack granted license by Dept of Ag. to cut timber on common

17-03-1917 A trustees meeting was held at the above date to see what was to be done about J Shumack removing fence off of common Solitors advice obtained by C Ferguson 7/6. Moved by P Munro seconded by D Ferguson that money be paid C Ferguson. Fence deferred until next meeting. P Munro chairman. (Solicitors advice stated that Shumack be notified to replace the wire or pay for it, and if he did not the trustees were to sue. It was pointed out that if the trustees did not have the wire replaced or sue Shumack, that under Section 28 the Crown would call them to account.). The letter was sent to C Ferguson Palmers Oakey c/r Belmore Hotel.

06-06-1917 A meeting of trustees was held at the above date. A letter was read from Chief Inspector of Stock referring to ridding Common of briars it was decided to write and tell the Dept. it was impossible for Trustees to do so as the cost would be too high. It was also decided to call a public meeting to elect a trustee in lieu of D McKinnon resigned. P Munro

23-06-1917 A public meeting adver to take place on the 23rd June was not attended so Trustees elected C W Ferguson trustee instead of D McKinnon resigned

05-07-1917 D Fergusons workers compensation policy with City Mutual on wages of £100-00 had a premium of 13/6

07-07-1917 A trustees meeting was held at the above date & it was decided to write to the Stock Inspector & to tell him that the trustees intended expending (£10) ten pounds on the briars on the common. Minutes of last meeting were read & carried P Munro chairman

17-08-1917 A report has been received in Melbourne from Sydney that as the sequel to the recent gold find at Dark Corner, two prospectors have found a splendid reef on Coolamigal Creek, four miles from the Verdun mine. On Monday Messrs. McQuinlen and R. T. Ashby. the lucky pair, came into Dark Corner to report payable gold to the warden. The reef has been proved for a distance of 700 ft. and improves as it goes down. At the surface it was 6 in. wide, and averaged 15 dwt.; at 40 ft.it is 8 ins wide, and averages 31 oz. gold and 11 oz. siver to the ton. This latest discovery has caused another stir, and more prospectors are out. Adelaide Advertiser.

25-08-1917 A trustees meeting was held at the above date. It was decided to measure &mark out five acres of land & call tenders for clearing same of briars, all work to be done according to specification. Tenders to close on the 11th day of Sept. D Ferguson chairman

11-09-1917 A trustees meeting was held at the above date when tenders were examined for clearing briars Ewen Ferguson's tender for £7-10-00was accepted D Ferguson chairman

11-09-1917 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith promoted to Sergeant.

17-09-1917 A report by Mr Milne on the gold mine on Portion 29 Turon known as "Franks"- "Bobby Burns" stated :- "Quartz vein in diorite: 3 shafts 50', 30'and 20' , several open cuts and shallow level 35’ tunnel with 17’ winze: some rich shoots of gold were won in the past in the shallow levels - the reef in the tunnel and winze though small still carry gold."

26-09-1917 A report on the above mine states ;- "Aid granted to sink the winze 40’, on the reef and to drive 25' each way from the winze. not availed of."

29-09-1917 Trustees quarterly meeting was held at above date, Moved by C P Ferguson & seconded by P Munro, that E Ferguson's contract for removing briars off five acres of common be passed for payment having been done satisfactly (sic). D Ferguson chairman

00-11-1917 Charlie Garlarm (Hawker) came through the area selling his wares.

23-11-1917 Common boundary extended on the western side.

29-12-1917 A commoners meeting was held at above date when the Commoners roll was examined & found correct. R Ferguson Chairman

1917 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
Duncan McKinnon		2
Duncan Ferguson	4	5
Mrs Duncan Ferguson	4	1
Mrs D D Munro	1	
P A Munro	3	2
Ewen Ferguson		4
Mrs P Munro	4	
Leslie McKinnon		1
C P Ferguson	1	3
Mrs E Ferguson	4	
Miss E E Munro	1	
Miss E McKinnon		1
12	22	19

Stock Tax 5/10.

31-12-1917 **State of NSW Tax Return for Duncan Ferguson year ended 31-12-1917**

Sales for year	465-00
Stock 31-12-17	600-00
	1065-00
less Stock 31-12-16	585-00
Purchases	15-00
	465-00
add goods from stock	51 -00
Gross Income	**516-00**
Deductions	
Wages	149-00
Rent	40-00
Rates	10-00
Print,stamps	1-00
Travel Ex.	10-00
Cartage	10-00
Repairs	5-00
Sundry Ex.	12-00
Seed wheat, salt, horse shoes,chaff,wire,dog reg	40-00
Life Insurance	3-00
£50-00/child	150-00
	430-00
Net Income	**86-00**

Particulars of Salaries and Wages

Name	**Capicity**	**Residence**	
Samuel Bower	Rousabout	Palmers Oakey	70-00
J T Bower	Chaffcutting	Palmers Oakey	7-00
T Guihot	Fencing	Sunny Corner	40-00
C P Ferguson	Mustering	Palmers Oakey	3-00
E M Ferguson	Mustering	Palmers Oakey	3-00
R Banning	Shearing	Portland	8-00
F Guihot	Shearing	Sunny Corner	8-00
E Theobald	Dipping Sheep	Palmers Oakey	10-00
			149-00

1918

Bathurst Rainfall 19.25 ins.

12-01-1918 A commoners meeting was held at the above date, when balance sheet was examined & found correct. D R Ferguson Chairman

23-01-1918 Robert McKinnon proceeded from England to France.

29-01-1918 Robert McKinnon joined the 1st Pioneer Battalion.

12-02-1918 A trustees meeting was held at above date when Mr J Boyd's bill was passed for payment. C W Ferguson Chairman

02-03-1918 A trustees meeting was held on above date, for the purpose of arranging means to poison rabbits on the common. Proposed by C P Ferguson seconded by D Ferguson, that J T Bower be asked for the loan of his poison cart for a day. Carried. Proposed by C W Ferguson & seconded by R Ferguson that secretary should send to town for the requisite materials needed. Carried. Minutes of last meeting read & passed. It was also proposed by D Ferguson & seconded by R Ferguson that C P Ferguson should burn heaps of briars & fill in one hole that was dangerous to animals on common, & to send his bill in when done. Carried C P Ferguson Chairman

01-05-1918 Mrs Duncan Ferguson Post Mistress in place of Mrs E E Munro.

23-05-1918 Clive David Munro born.

01-06-1918 A trustees meeting was held on the above date as to sending information to Inspector of Stock re work done to briars since his last visit. Secretary was told to write & give information required. D R Ferguson Chairman

19-06-1918 Robert McKinnon admitted to 54th General Hospital sick-

22-06-1918 Robert McKinnon admitted to the General Hospital Brighton England.

13-07-1918 A trustees meeting was held at the above date when bills for poising Common were passed for payment. Moved by C P Ferguson & seconded by P Munro that tenders be called to clear about 50 acres of Common of briars Carried D Ferguson Chairman

17-07-1918 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith wounded in action (gassed) and admitted to the 8th Field Ambulance.

20-07-1918 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith rejoined his unit.

27-07-1918 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith wounded in action (gassed).

29-07-1918 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith admitted to the 47th General Hospital.

20-08-1918 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith rejoined his unit.

05-10-1918 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith wounded in action and admitted to the 7th Field Ambulance.

06-10-1918 Ewen Ernest (Barner) Smith rejoined his unit.

21-11-1918 Robert McKinnon proceeded to France.

26-11-1918 D Ferguson paid £37-5-6 to Thompson Bros for contract shearing his sheep.

30-11-1918 A trustees meeting was held on above date to examine tenders for clearing briars off 50 acres of common. One tender was submitted by W F Theobald at 4/- an acre. Proposed by D Ferguson & seconded by P Munro that it be accepted (carried) Secretary to write & ask tenderer to begin work as soon as possible. Date for finishing same was settled for 14th Dec 1918. [this 50 acres was on Hawkins Hill] Minutes of last meeting read & carried. D Ferguson Chairman

05-12-1918 Robert McKinnon rejoined the lst Pioneer Battalion.

19-12-1918 Dept of Ag. granted D Ferguson license to cut timber on Palmers Oakey common 14 trees @ 1/6 each.

22-12-1918 A duly advertised commoners meeting was held on above date when commoners roll was revised & found correct. A trustees meeting was also held at the same time when W F Theobald's contract for clearing briars was passed for payment R Ferguson Chairman

COMMON STOCK OWNES

NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
Duncan McKinnon	2	
Duncan Ferguson		5
Mrs Duncan Ferguson	4	1
Mrs D D Munro		3
P A Munro	4	1
Ewen Ferguson		3
Mrs P Munro	3	1
C P Ferguson	2	3
Mrs E Ferguson	1	
Miss E E Munro	3	1
Miss E H McKinnon	1	
C W Ferguson		1
Mrs D McKinnon	1	1
13	21	20

Common Ex. £17-8-10 Common bought 20 lbs pollard 1/6, 6 lbs brown sugar, and paid J T Bower £1 -0-0 for Poison cart etc. W Theobald £10-0-0 remove briars. R S Ferguson 15/- for burning briars and filling holes. Stock Tax 6/11,

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members for 1918.

Mrs E Ferguson, Mr E Ferguson, C Ferguson, R Ferguson, R S Ferguson, E McKinnon, L McKinnon ,S McKinnon,, H A Thompson, E Theobald,, R Theobald, A Theobald, H Morgan, A Morgan, A Shumack, H Shumack

INCOME

Tennis ball Subs	6-1-6
Sum for Cricket Mats	2-10-0
	8-11-6

EXPENDITURE

Tennis balls	6-18-10
Tennis Not	2- 2- 6
	8- 1- 4
Income	8-11- 6
Expend.	8- 1- 4
	10- 2

Tennis Club Matches for 1918

02-03-1918	P.O vs Limekilns	Lost by 3 games
16-03-1918	P.O vs Limekilns	Won by 2 games
24-03-1918	P.O. vs Capertee	Won by 9 games
29-03-1918	P.O. vs Capertee	Won by 50 games
01-09-1918	P.O. vs Ben Bullen	Lost by 1 game
21-09-1918	P.O. vs Limekilns	Won by 1 set oven games
28-09-1918	P.O. vs Ben Bullen	Won by 7 games

1918 Rural Lands Protection Board Records.

NAME	AREA	HORSES	CATTLE	SHEEP	ACRES
L H Elbourn	Upper Turon	9	4	459	644
Ewen Ferguson	Palmers Oakey			385	2480
Duncan Ferguson	Sugarloaf PO	2	8	1000	8313
J T Franks	U T	11	20	136	688
Ellen & T Hartigan	U T	6	4	150	843
R A Mackie	U T	7	8		2800
D Scott	D C / S C	22	30	1200	7000
Aiden Shumack	D C			100	173
J W Shumack	Spring Vale D C	18	25	1716	10000
H Shumack	D C			800	2700
R G Shumack	D C	13	29	1002	10000
E O Thompson	P O	14	92	4751	16700
E Theobald	P O			290	758
H Theobald	P O			219	408
Mrs E J Theobald	P O	5	5	150	282

1919 Bathurst Rainfall 14.58 ins.

11-01-1919 A duly advertised commoners meeting was held at the above date when balance sheet for past year was examined & found correct. & the following gentlemen were elected to act as trustees for common for the next three years. Duncan McKinnon, Duncan Roy Ferguson, Charles Peet Ferguson, Peter Archibald Munro, Duncan Ferguson. C P Ferguson Chairman

18-01-1919 A trustees meeting was held on above date, when it was proposed by P Munro & seconded by C P Ferguson that it would be advisable to poison common for rabbits. carried, It was decided to rent a poison cart, & secretary was requested to get the poison sugar pollard etc needed C P Ferguson Chairman

22-02-1919 A trustee meeting was held on above date to pass payment for rent of poison cart & poisoning common . Secretary was requested to pay same. D Ferguson Chairman

07-04-1919 D Ferguson paid G Collett £5-0-0 for one horse.

26-05-1919 A trustees meeting held on above date no business discussed R Ferguson Chairman

01-09-1919 A letter was sent to Blaxland Shire asking for the road to Capertee to be improved , pointing out the Oakey residents had put in over £20 in labour & that the money left over from the subs for that road be spent on it.

13-09-1919 A trustees meeting was held at the above date , when it was decided to give notice to all persons who were trespassing on the common. Proposed by C Ferguson that secretary should wait until trustees made sure whose stock were trespassing & to then send owner notice to that effect, seconded by D Ferguson & carried. P Munro Chairman

20-10-1919 Robert Donald McKinnon discharged from the army.

The following is from the Aust Army Records Office.
R D McKinnon enlisted at Broadmeadows N S W on 18th May 1916.
He stated he was born at Bathurst and was 32 years of age.
Was allotted army number 3157 and the rank of private,
Embarked at Sydney for England with the 7th Reinforcements, 1st Pioneer Battalion per HMAT "Borda" on 17th Oct 1916
Disembarked at Plymouth on M January 1917.
Proceeded overseas to France on 23rd January 1918
Taken on strength of the lst Pioneer Battalion on 29th January 1918
Admitted to the 54th General Hospital, sick on 19th June 1918
Rejoined the 1st Battalion on 5 December 1918
Transferred to the 4th Mechanical Transport Company on 19 May 1919
Proceeded to England and taken on strength of number 2 Group on 19 June 1919
Embarked for Australia per HT "Ulysses" on 22 July 1919
Disembarked at Sydney on 5 September 1919
Discharged at Sydney on 20 October 1919
Medals issued: British War Medal. Victory Medal.

14-11-1919 D Ferguson paid Thompson Bros £23-2-9 to contract shear 645 sheep.

17-11-1919 A trustees meeting was held at the above date , to decide what was to be done in answer to Dept desiring that 100 acres of briars be cleared. Proposed by D Ferguson & seconded by P Munro , that secretary write & beg Dept's leniency in the matter as they were the only means of substance on the common for stock at present on account of the drought. Carried (five trustees at meeting) D McKinnon Chairman.

27-12-1919 A commoners meeting was held being duly advertised when the commoners roll was revised. D Ferguson Chairman

29-12-1919 Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith discharged from the army.

The following is from Aust. Army Records Office.
E E Smith enlisted at Liverpool N S W on the 12 March 1915, stating he was born at Palmers Oakey and was 18 and 3/12 years of age.
He was allotted army number 1334 and the rank of private.
Embarked at Sydney for the Middle East with the 18th Infantry Battalion per HMAT "Ceramic" on 25 June 1915.
Proceeded to the Gallipoli Peninsular on 16 August 19 15.
Wounded in action (bullet wound arm) on 23 August 1915.
Admitted to the 16th Casualty Clearing Station on 23th August 1915.
Transferred to Lowlands Convalescent Camp at Mudros on 13th September 1915.
Rejoined unit at the Gallipoli Peninsular on 16th October 1915.
Transferred to the 2nd Pioneer Battalion on 8 March 1916.
Proceeded overseas to France on 26 March 1916
Promoted to Corporal on 13 November 1916
Promoted to Sergeant on 11 Sept 1917
Wounded in action (gassed) and admitted to the 8th Field Ambulance on 17th July 1918.
Rejoined unit on 20th July 1918.
Wounded in action (gassed) on 27th July 1918.
Admitted to the 47th General Hospital on 29 July 1918.
Rejoined unit on 20 August 1918.
Wounded in action on 5 October 1918.
Admitted to the 7th Field Ambulance on 5 October 1918.
Rejoined unit on 6th October 1918.
Proceeded to England and taken on strength of Number 1 Command Depot on 7 February 1919.
Embarked for Australia per HT "Raranga" on 8 September 1919.
Disembarked at Sydney on 29 October 1919.
Discharged at Sydney on 29 December 1919.
Medals issued: 1914/15 Star. British War Medal. Victory Medal,

1919

Trust Tender Specification.

All holes to be filled up to 10 feet any over to be covered with timber (three feet each end timber to be nine inches at each end (diameter). Work to be carried out to specifications, and money received by tenderer when work is passed by trustees.

00-03-1919 **Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Ball subs.**

Mr. H Morgan	5/-
A Morgan	5/-
R Theobald	5/-
R Ferguson	5/-
E McKinnon	5/-
L McKinnon	5/-
S McKinnon	5/-
Mrs E Ferguson	2/-
EH McKinnon	3/-
E McKinnon	5/-
H Shumack	5/-

Ball Expen. £4-9-6, Income £5-10-2, Bal.£1-0-6

1919 Tennis Matches

01-03-1919 P.O. vs Limekilns Won by 21 games
00-10-1919 P.O. vs Limekilns Won by 14 games
00-10-1919 P.O. vs Sunny Corner Draw

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	CATTLE	HORSES	GOAT
Duncan McKinnon			2
Duncan Ferguson		4	
Mrs Duncan Ferguson	3	1	
Mrs D D Munro	3		
P A Munro	4	1	
Ewen Ferguson		5	
Mrs P Munro	4		
C P Ferguson	3	2	
Mrs E Ferguson	1	1	
Miss Ettie McKinnon		2	
C W Ferguson		2	
Mrs D McKinnon		1	
Mrs C P Ferguson	2	2	
D R Ferguson		1	
Stan McKinnon		2	
15	20	24	2

Common Expen. £5-2-1. Common paid R S Ferguson £1 to poison rabbits and 51- to rent cart from A Shumack.

1917 --- 1919 COMMON ROLL

D Ferguson	
Mrs D Ferguson	
D McKinnon	
Mrs D McKinnon	
E McKinnon	
E Ferguson	
Mrs E Ferguson	
J T Bower	crossed off 1918
C F Ferguson	
R Ferguson	
C W Ferguson	
P Munro	
Mrs P Munro	
Mrs D Munro	
A Shumack	
Mrs A Shumack	
Mrs C Ferguson	
Miss L W Ferguson	
Miss E Munro	crossed off 1918
Les McKinnon	
Ronnie Ferguson	
Miss V M Ferguson	
Miss E McKinnon	crossed off Dec 1919
Stan McKinnon	
Edie Ferguson	

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1919 WOOL PRICES (D Fergusons)

AAW	20 1/2 d	
E	18 1/2 d	
H	18 1/2 d	All Less 10% retained by Comm.Gov.
1st Pcs	11 3/4 d	
Pcs	12 1/4 d	
BLS	11 d	Commission 1 1/2 %
XB	17 1/2 d	
LKS	5 d	

P Lavelle charged D Ferguson £6-2-3 to cart 19 bales of wool to rail

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1919

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
1	BOWER	Samuel	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
2	Bower	John Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
3	Bushell	Samuel Nicholas	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
4	FERGUSON	Charles Peet	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
5	Ferguson	Charles William	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
6	Ferguson	Duncan	M	Palmers Oakey	Carrier
7	Ferguson	Duncan Roy	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
8	Ferguson	Elizabeth Janet	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
9	Ferguson	Ewen McColl	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
10	Ferguson	Mary Elizabeth	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
11	Ferguson	Matilda Josephine	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
12	Ferguson	Violet Mabel	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
13	HARRISON	Millicent	F	Warrie	H D
14	Hopkins	Daniel	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
15	Hyde	Arthur Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
16	Hyde	Francis James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
17	McINITYRE	Caroline Victoria	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
18	Mcintyre	Mary Ellen	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
19	McKinnon	Duncan	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
20	McKinnon	Catherine	F	Limekilns	H D
21	McKinnon	Ewen Peter	M	Limekilns	Farmer
22	McKinnon	Ewen Peter	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
23	McKinnon	Henriatta	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
24	McKinnon	Sarah Lousia	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
25	Munro	Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
26	Munro	Peter Archibald	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
27	Munro	Ethel May	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
28	SCOTT	Thomas James	M	Palmers Oakey	Grazier
29	Scott	Ellen Mary	F	Turon River	H D
30	Shumack	Aiden Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Maintenance man Sofala Rd.
31	Shumack	Herbert	M	Palmers Oakey	Grazier
32	Shumack	Martha	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
33	THEOBALD	Alexander Lewis	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
34	Theobald	Eliza, Jane	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
35	Theobald	Henry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
36	Theobald	Edward Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
37	Theobald	Olive May	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
38	Theobald	William Francis	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
39	Theobald	Robert James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
40	Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Grazier
41	Thompson	Evelyn Mary	F	Warrie	H D
42	Thompson	Jane Amelia	F	Warrie	Grazier
43	Thompson	Janet Margaretta	F	Warrie	H D
44	Thompson	Minnie Jane	F	Warrie	Grazier
45	WILKINSON	Alfred Ernest	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
46	Wilkinson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
47	Williams	Harry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

1920 Bathurst Rainfall 28.50 ins.

00-00-1920 D. Ferguson built hut (Gum Lodge) in Tobins Oakey £25.

13-01-1920 Dep of Lands wrote to trust re briars on common . They admitted that the briars may have some value as sustenance for stock during the present drought , they had till 3-6-20 to clear 100 acres & as the brairs had taken possession of the common the clearing of 100 acres would not seriously deminish the supply for the few head of stock.

17-01-1920 A duly advertised commoners meeting was hold on the above date when the balance sheet for the past year was examined & found correct. A trustees meeting was also held on the same date , when the secretary read a letter from Under Secretary of Lands , stating that due regard must be paid to the Departments letter 11 Nov 1919 re removing of briars. Decided to let the matter wait for a while as time was until 30th June 1920. C P Ferguson Chairman.

04-02-1920 A trustees meeting was held at above date to see what could be done to stop an application that had been put in for a lease of the common . It was proposed by D Ferguson seconded by P Munro that a petition to that effect signed by the commoners was to be sent to the mining warden. Carried. Petition sent away on the 10th Feb. signed by 17 commoners.

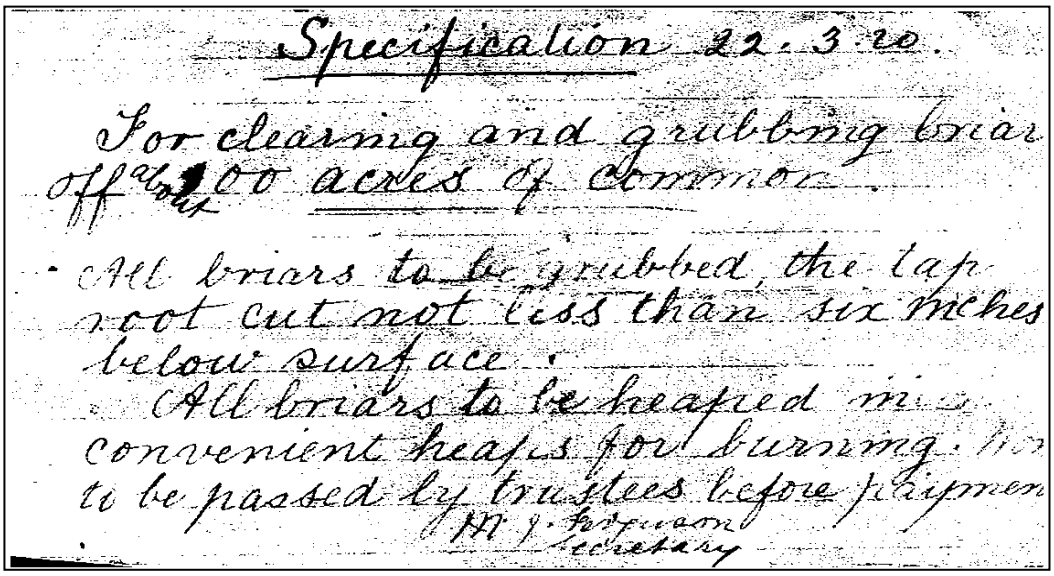
12-02-1920 **Palmers Oakey Tennis Club ball collection**.

E McKinnon	1-0-0
L McKinnon	1-0-0
S McKinnon	1-0-0
Roy Ferguson	1-0-0
Ron Ferguson	1-0-0
E Ferguson	1-0-0
	£8-0-0 less Ex;6-5-6 = £11-14-0

17-02-1920 A special meeting of trustees was held on the above date to confer with Stock Inspector Brett of Bathurst in the matter of certain applications for leases within the common . Present:- D Ferguson, C P Ferguson, P A Munro, D R Ferguson & Secretary. The following applications were submitted by Mr Brett:- John S Shumack for about half the Common on the

Eastern side. It was unaminiously resolved to strongly oppose the application in the interests of the commonage, it being considered that applicant already holds a living area & that a petition signed by 17 commoners was recently forwarded to Mining Warden Bathurst opposing the granting of the application ;-- 121 C P Ferguson for an area of 15ac 1 r 17 perches to be added to his Residential Lease of 4ac 2r 23 perches making up his area to 20 acres;- Resolved not to offer any objection to the granted (sic) of the application:---- 13 Application by E M Ferguson for a Special Lease of 12 acres for Business Site; Resolved that no objection be offered to the granted of the application;- The matter of D McKinnons proposed application for an additional area to his Residential Lease was mentioned & the opinion expressed that it would be wise to encourage this class of settlement & if the application is in order no objection will be offered. The Inspector examined the books and advised that a receipt book be obtained & that cash in hand should be banked, & that the books be audited & balance sheet published in Local Paper annually. He also urged in view of correspondence from Under Secretary that money in hand should be expended on eradication of briars without delay. D Ferguson chairman.

20-03-1920 A trustees meeting was hold on the above date, for the purpose of arranging definitely what was to be done re briars, also what would be done about stock that ware annoying commoners. Present, full attendance of trustees & Secretary. It was proposed by C P Ferguson seconded by P Munro that tenders be called to clear about 100 acres from briars on Hawkins Hill, proposal carried. Proposed by D McKinnon & seconded by D Ferguson that the stock annoying were to be removed, carried, also it was proposed & carried that all bush fences on the common were to be done away with, as they only made rogues of stock & were a harbour for rabbits, three months until the 30th June 1920 was given to remove them & place stock froof fences instead. D Ferguson, chairman.



Specification 22.3.20.

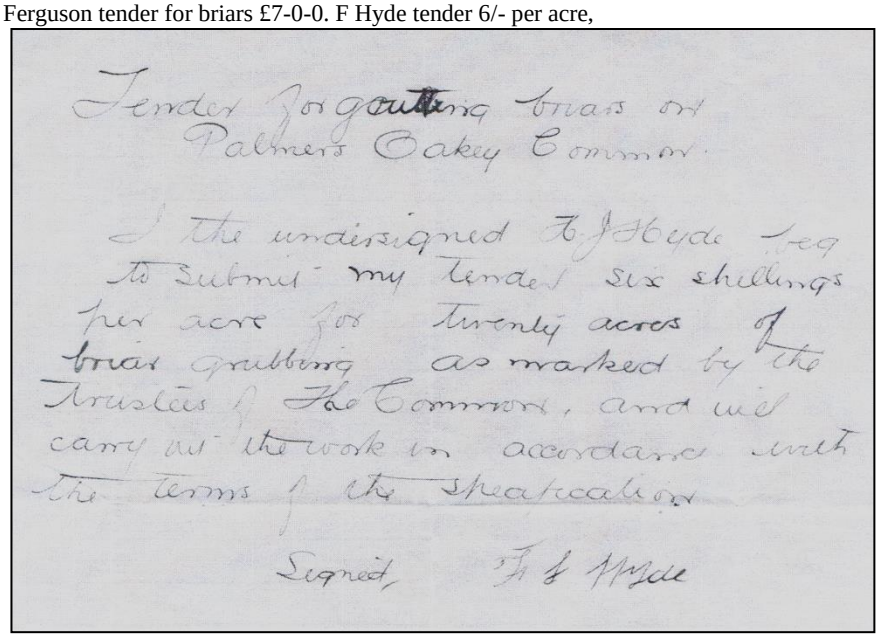
For clearing and grubbing briar off about 100 acres of Common.

All briars to be grubbed, the tap root cut not less than six inches below surface.

All briars to be heaped in convenient heaps for burning. Work to be passed by trustees before payment

H J Ferguson
Secretary

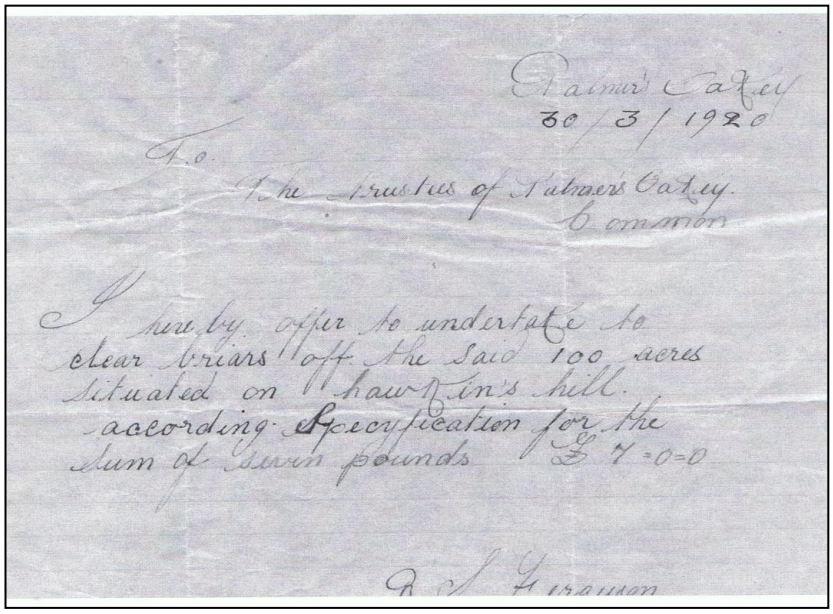
30-03-1920 R S Ferguson tender for briars £7-0-0. F Hyde tender 6/- per acre,



Tender for grubbing briars on Palmers Oakey Common.

I the undersigned F J Hyde Esq to Submit my tender six shillings per acre for twenty acres of briar grubbing as marked by the Trustees of the Common, and will carry out the work in accordance with the terms of the specification

Signed, F J Hyde

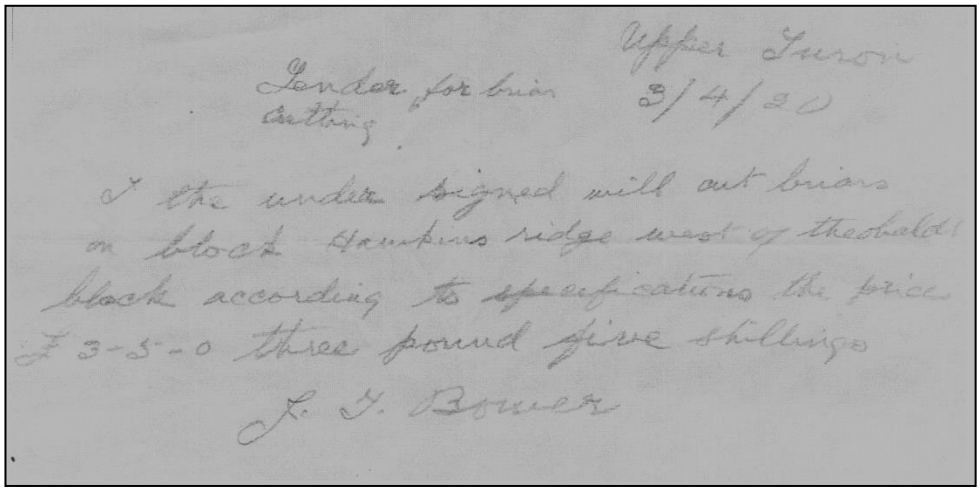


Palmers Valley
30/3/1920

To
The Trustees of Palmers Valley
Common

I hereby offer to undertake to clear briars off the said 100 acres situated on Hawkins hill. according Specyfication for the Sum of Seven pounds £7-0-0

D J Ferguson



Tender for briar cutting

Upper Turon
3/4/20

I the undersigned will cut briars on block Hawkins ridge west of the bald block according to specifications the price £3-5-0 three pound five shillings

J. T. Bowers

10-04-1920	A trustees meeting was held on above date to decide which tender was to be accepted to clear briars on part mentioned in tender. J T Bowers tender for three pounds five shillings (£3-5-0) was accepted. Time given to 1 June to do same. D Ferguson chairman.
17-04-1920	Portion 39 Stewart transferred from Horace David Howard to David Robert Howard of Lisarow.
22-05-1920	A trustees meeting was held at above date when bill for removing 100 acres of briars was passed for payment, J T Bowers having sold his contract to S T Bowers & D T Ferguson , Passed for payment. D Ferguson, chairman.
31-05-1920	Catherine McKinnon (nee Ferguson) died at Limekilns. Catherine McKinnon buried Pres. Cemetery Bathurst.
19-07-1920	A trustees meeting was hold on above date for the purpose of seeing what could be done to stop a lease of part of the common being taken by J S Shumack. Proposed by D Ferguson & seconded by P Munro that as all the trustees could not appear at the Land Board on the day of hearing 27 July 1920 one at least would try to go and an agent should be asked to appear in their place, Carried . Secretary was requested to write and ask agent and to give him all the information he needed in the matter. It was also stated that half a crown (2/6) a head was to be charged on cattle & horses up to the end of the half year. Present D McKinnon, C P Ferguson, P A Munro, D Ferguson, & Secretary. D Ferguson chairman.
26-07-1920	D Ferguson bought T Ford from Davies & Davies for £291-7-0
14-08-1920	A trustees meeting was held on the above date when the following accounts were passed for payment, E Ferguson £3-6-0 for expenses. D Ferguson £1 -6-0 for expenses. Solicitor £2-2-0 for expenses. £6-14-0. These being the expenses incurred in the Land Court case Common V Shumack. The minutes for the last meeting were read & carded. Present C P Ferguson, D Ferguson, D McKinnon, & Secretary. D Ferguson chairman.
17-02-1920	A trustees meeting was held on above date for the purpose of considering the erection of a give & take fence between the common & D McKinnons additional Residental Lease. Present P A Munro, C P Ferguson, D Ferguson, & Secretary. It was decided to postpone the matter pending advice from Chief Stock Inspector. Minutes of last meeting were read & passed, D Ferguson chairman.
29-12-1920	A duly advertised commoners meeting was held on the above date when the commoners Roll was revised. D Ferguson chairman.
29-12-1920	On this date A C Davis wrote to D Ferguson offering his 320 acres CP774CL and 730 acre SP for £500-0-0.

COMMON ROLL for 1920

Duncan Ferguson	Grazier
Mrs M J Ferguson	Domestic Duties
Duncan McKinnon	Old age pensioner
Mrs Duncan McKinnon	Domestic Dudes
Ewen P McKinnon	Bee farmer
Ewen Ferguson	Grazier
Mrs Ewen Ferguson	Domestic Duties
Charles P Ferguson	Bee farmer
Mrs Charles P Ferguson	Domestic Duties
Roy Ferguson	Labourer
Charles W Ferguson	Labourer
Peter Archibald Munro	Maintanance Man
Mrs Peter A Munro	Domestic Duties
Mrs D Munro	Domestic Duties
Aiden T Shumack	Grazier
Mrs Aiden T Shumack	Domestic Duties
Miss L W Ferguson	Domestic Duties
Leslie McKinnon	Labourer
Ronald Ferguson	Bee farmer
Miss V M Ferguson	Domestic Duties
Samuel T Bower	Labourer
Stanley McKinnon	Labourer
Miss E M Ferguson	Domestic Duties

1921 Bathurst Rainfall 36.39 ins.

08-01-1921	A duly advertised commoners meeting was hold on the above date when the balance sheet for the passed year was examined and passed. D Ferguson chairman.
21-02-1921	A trustees meeting was held at the above date. Present D Ferguson, C P Ferguson, P A Munro, D McKinnon, trustees & secretary. Business. A give & take fence between common & D McKinnons Additional Residential Lease. Proposed by C P Ferguson & seconded by P Munro that it be granted, carded. To have the fence errected on high water mark. It was also brought forward permission asked by C P Ferguson to fence on high water mark on his Additional Residential Lease , a high bank being the said mark. Minutes for last meeting read & passed. D Ferguson chairman.
18-04-1921	J Wilkinson sold 1 dray to D Ferguson for £6-0-0.
23-04-1921	A trustees meeting was held on above date for the purpose of considering where would briars be removed off common. Present D Ferguson, C P Ferguson, D McKinnon, trustees & secretary. Proposed by C P Ferguson & seconded by D Ferguson that about 60 acres between the school ground & Dunn's near the road would be the most suitable , Carried. Secretary was desired to call tenders for same. Minutes for the last meeting were read & carried. D Ferguson chairman.
21-05-1921	A trustees meeting was held on above date when it was decided to leave contract re briars brought forward at last meeting until Spring as a better job would be made of them then. D Ferguson chairman.
26-05-1921	Henreitta Thompson (nee McKinnon) died while her baby who had died from diptheria was being buried
03-09-1921	A trustees meeting was held on above date for the purpose of calling tenders for grubbing briars and to see what could be done as to granting permission to Ewen Ferguson to ringbark his Boneing lease. Present, P A Munro, D Ferguson, D McKinnon, C P Ferguson Trustees & secretary. It was moved by C P Ferguson & seconded by P A Munro that 20 acres be marked out for grubbing briars, carried. Trustees then took chain & marked out same. Secretary was instructed to call tenders for same. Proposed by D Ferguson seconded by P A Munro that Chief Inspector of Stock be written to and asked if trustees had power to grant Ewen Ferguson leave to ringbark his Boneing lease, Carried. Secretary to write & ask. Minutes of last meeting were read & carried. D Ferguson chairman.
05-09-1921	The following tender was called. "For grubbing & clearing briars off common. All briars to be grubbed , the tap root cut not less than six inches below the surface. All briars to be heaped in convenient heaps for burning. Work to be passed by trustees before payment. M J Ferguson secretary.
05-09-1921	Trust secretary wrote to Dep of Ag to see if the trust had the power to grant permission to ringbark a boneing lease (E Fergusons).
	A trustees meeting was held on above date. Present P A Munro, C P Ferguson, D Ferguson trustees & secretary. Tenders for grubbing briars were examined & F Hyde tender for Six Pounds (£6) was accepted. Donald Thomas Ferguson was given a commoners right. Minutes of last meeting were read & carried. D Ferguson chairman.
20-09-1921	Mary Ann Lewis died, buried Palmers Oakey cemetery.
20-10-1921	A trustees meeting was held on above date when F Hydes work (grubbing & stacking 20 acres of briars) was inspected & passed for payment. D Ferguson chairman.
17-11-1921	Dep of Ag Chief Inspector replied to trust saying they had no power re ringbarking and to make an application to Dep Ag who would ask Forresty Dep for permission.
21-12-1921	A trustees meeting was held on above date when the trustees gave their permission to Duncan McKinnon to purchase his Residential Lease 371 & his Sp LeaseNo16.30. D Ferguson chairman.
	A duly advertised Commoners meeting was held on above date when the commoners roll was revised for the year 1922 . D Ferguson chairman.
00-00-1921	The Census for 1921 showed the following population. Sofala 129. Wattle Flat 288. Turondale 62. Palmers Oakey 60.

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
D Ferguson	3	3
Mrs D Ferguson	5	
Mrs E Ferguson	5	
C W Ferguson		2
D R Ferguson		2
Mrs D McKinnon	1	1

C P Ferguson	4	2
Mrs C P Ferguson	3	2
R S Ferguson	2	
P A Munro		1
A Shumack		5
E Ferguson	2	
Mrs A Shumack	1	
13	26	18

Common Income £10-8-0 Ex. £9-19-5 stock tax 8/11

COMMON ROLL 1921

D Ferguson,
Mrs D Ferguson,
D McKinnon,
Mrs D McKinnon,
E P McKinnon,
E McC Ferguson
Mrs E McC Ferguson,
C P Ferguson,
Mrs C P Ferguson,
Roy Ferguson,
C W Ferguson,
P A Munro
Mrs P A Munro,
Mrs D Munro,
Miss L W Ferguson,
Les McKinnon,
Ronnie Ferguson,
Miss V M Ferguson
S J Bower,
Stan McKinnon,
Miss E M Ferguson,
Donald Thomas Ferguson
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COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1921

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
1	BARRY	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
2	Bower	Samuel	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
3	Bower	John Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
4	FERGUSON	Charles Peet	M	Wattle Flat	Labourer
5	Ferguson	Duncan	M	Palmers Oakey	Carrier
6	Ferguson	Elizabeth Janet	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
7	Ferguson	Ewen McCol	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
8	Ferguson	Mary Elizabeth	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
9	Ferguson	Matilda Josephine	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
10	Ferguson	Violet Mabel	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
11	HARRISON	Millicent	F	Warrie	H D
12	Hyde	Amelia Ann	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
13	Hyde	Arthur Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
14	Hyde	Francis James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
15	McINTYRE	Mary Ellen	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
16	McKinnon	Duncan	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
17	McKinnon	Duncan Leslie	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
18	McKinnon	Ewen Peter	M	Limekilns	Farmer
19	McKinnon	Ewen Peter	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
20	McKinnon	Sarah Lousia	F	Paimers Oakey	H D
21	Munro	Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
22	Munro	Peter Archibald	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
23	Munro	Ethel May	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
24	SCOTT	Thomas James	M	Palmers Oakey	Grazier
25	Scott	Ellen Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
26	Shumack	Aiden Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Maintainence man
27	Shumack	Herbert	M	Palmers Oakey	Grazier
28	Shumack	Martha	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
29	THEOBALD	Eliza Jane	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
30	Theobald	Henry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
31	Theobald	Edward Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
32	Theobald	Olive May	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
33	Theobald	William Francis	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
34	Theobald	Robert James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
35	Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Grazier
36	Thompson	Jane Amelia	F	Warrie	Grazier
37	Thompson	Minnie Jane	F	Warrie	Grazier
38	WILKINSON	Carolina Victoria	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
39	Wilkinson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

1922 Bathurst Rainfall 20.94 ins.

14-01-1922 A duly advertised meeting was held on above date. Business, Triennial election of trustees and examination of balance sheet for 1921. The following gentlemen were duly elected, D McKinnon, C P Ferguson, D Ferguson, Ewen Ferguson, P A Munro, to act as trustees for the next three years. Balance sheet was examined & passed. It was also agreed that tenders that be called to repair common gate. D Ferguson chairman.

13-03-1922 A trustees meeting was held on the above date for the purpose of granting permission to C P Ferguson, Ewen Ferguson, & Duncan McKinnon to ringbark their RSs & SL on common. Permission was granted stipulating that 8 trees to the acre and all usefull timber be left. Present D Ferguson, C P Ferguson, Ewen Ferguson, P A Munro, Duncan McKinnon and secretary, also fifteen shillings was allowed to D Ferguson for fixing common gate. D Ferguson chairman.

17-06-1922 A ordinary trustees meeting was held on above date , but no business was discussed D Ferguson chairman.

17-09-1922 A ordinary trustees meeting was held on above date but there was no business to be discussed, D Ferguson chairman.

17-10-1922 MAN KILLED IN QUARRY.LITHGOW, Monday.
A report from Portland states that George Strickland, of Dark Corner, an employee of the Cement Company, was killed In the new quarry by a fall of about 30 tons of stone. It appears that a huge boulder was concealed In mullock above the place where the men were working, and was displaced without warning. Death was Instantaneous, the body of the unfortunate victim being crushed beyond recognition. Deceased, who was predeceased by his wife about two years ago. has' left a family of nine children.

08-11-1922 A fatal burning accident occurred at Palmer's Oakey on Wednesday morning, the victim being Mrs. Thomas Scott, well known throughout the district. She is reported to have taken a fit and fallen into a fire. When pulled out by her children she was in a sad state. She was hurried to Portland Hospital, but her condition was hopeless, and death occurred three hours after admission. She leaves a husband and six children. Col Wilkinson told me the policeman from Sunny Corner (Sgt Wright) took her to Portland hospital in his car. As they went through Sunny Corner her husband was on horseback galloping alongside cursing Sgt Wright to go faster. It must have been a slow trip as the Scott home was near the hairpin bend on the Dark Corner road and Tom was still with the car after all that distance. Col said it was the saddest thing he ever saw.

30-12-1922 A commoners meeting was held on the above date when the Commoners Roll was revised & fixed for the ensuing twelve months, D Ferguson chairman. Also a trustees meeting was held to know what would be done about sheep trespassing on Common, proposed that owners be advised to remove same within a week. D Ferguson chairman.

1922 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
D Ferguson	3	2
Mrs D Ferguson	3	
D T Ferguson	3	
Mrs E Ferguson	2	
Mrs D McKinnon	1	
C P Ferguson	3	2
Mrs C P Ferguson	4	1
C W Ferguson		1
P A Munro		1
9	19	7

Common Ex £5-6-10 Income £9-12-6. Stock tax 9/5. Common sec. M J Ferguson paid 12/6 per quarter.

COMMON ROLL 1922

D Ferguson,
Mrs D Ferguson,
D McKinnon,
Mrs D McKinnon,
E P McKinnon,
E McC Ferguson,
Mrs E McC Ferguson,
C P Ferguson,
Mrs C P Ferguson ,
Roy Ferguson,
C W Ferguson,
P A Munro,
Mrs P A Munro,
Mrs D Munro,
Miss L W Ferguson,
Les McKinnon,
Miss V M Ferguson,
Ron Ferguson,
S J Bower,
Stan McKinnon,
Miss E M Ferguson,
D T Ferguson
22

Post Office records show that during 1921-22 four people in Palmers Oakey were receiving the Invalid and Old age Pensions, every fortnight :- Duncan McKinnon 30/-, Sarah L McKinnon 30/- , Mary Munro 30/- and on the 25-5-1922 it was transferred to Kelso , Annie M Munro 30/- starting 21-7-1921 to 27-10-1921 when it noted “left the district”.

1923 Bathurst Rainfall 17.47 ins.

00-00-1923 During this year Clive Munro attended school at the Palmers Oakey Church, on the first day his mother walked him to school, on the second day he went on his own and Theobald's poddy calf bailed him up. Granny Hyde came to his rescue and walked him to school. The next day the school closed.

20-01-1923 A duly advertised Commoners meeting was held on above date when the balance sheet for 1922 was examined and found correct, D Ferguson chairman.
A trustees meeting was held on above date. Present all trustees, D Ferguson, C P Ferguson, E McC Ferguson, D McKinnon, P A Munro & secretary. Proposed by C P Ferguson that poison should be used on common for rabbits seconded by P A Munro & carried. Proposed by E McC Ferguson that Mr Thompson be asked to rent his poison cart to common & also mix the poison seconded by D Ferguson & carried. D Ferguson chairman.

27-02-1923 Duncan McKinnon died.

28-02-1923 Mary Munro died.(nee McKinnon sister to Duncan)

24-03-1923 A commoners meeting was held on the above date for the purpose of electing a trustee in place of D McKinnon deceased. Proposed by D Ferguson & seconded by E Ferguson that Mr S Greentree be elected carried. A trustees meeting was also hold when the following bills were paid C P Ferguson £1-0-0 for poison common, E Ferguson £1-0-0 for rent of horse & labour , H A Thompson £1-0-0 for rent of poison cart & poison. D Ferguson chairman.

09-06-1923 A trustees meeting was hold on above date when an application by E P McKinnon for 20 acres of common was discussed & refused as trustees decided that the common was small enough without taking any off it. It was also brought before the meeting that sheep & cattle were trespassing on common & it was decided that owners of same would be seen & asked to remove same or something would have to be done with them. D Ferguson chairman sec M J Ferguson.

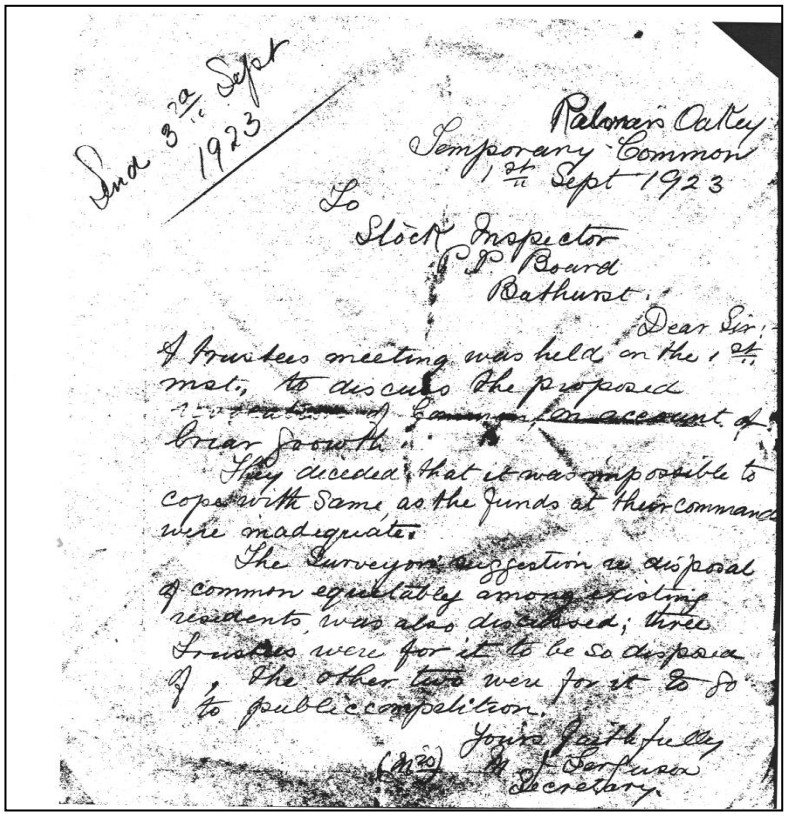
11-06-1923 **Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Ball Subs.**

E Smith	1-6
L Ferguson	2-0
S McKinnon	2-0
J Hemsworth	2-0
T Ferguson	
E Ferguson	2--0
Less 3 balls	7-0
Balance	2-6

03-08-1923 Leonard Peter Munro born.

00-08-1923 Charlie Galarm (Indian Hawker) came through Palmers Oakey.

01-09-1923 A trustees meeting was hold on the above date , present D Ferguson, P A Munro, S Greentree, C P Ferguson, & E Mc,Ferguson, & secretary. The revocation of common. Business to discuss the proposed revocation of common as trustees could not cope with the briar growth. A portion of Surveyors letter was read where he recommended the disposal of the whole of the common on account of briar growth. Proposed and carried that it was impossible for trustees to cope with the briars. The surveyors letter also urged that the best way to dispose of common would be to divide it amoung the residents on the common about six families in all if it could be agreed upon so as to give each an equitable share. Proposed by D Ferguson that the surveyors advice be taken and common be divided among residents Seconded by C P Ferguson and carried, three trustees for and two against. The two against wished it to go to public competition. D Ferguson chairman.



Sent 3rd Sept 1923

Palmers Oakey
Temporary Common
1st Sept 1923

To
Stock Inspector
P.P. Board
Bathurst.

Dear Sir,

A trustees meeting was held on the 1st inst. to discuss the proposed [illegible] on account of briar growth.

They decided that it was impossible to cope with same as the funds at their command were inadequate.

The Surveyors suggestion re disposal of common equitably among existing residents, was also discussed; three Trustees were for it to be so disposed of, the other two were for it to go to public competition.

Yours faithfully
(Mrs) M J Ferguson
Secretary.

27-10-1923 A trustees meeting was held on the above date. Present E M Ferguson, C P Ferguson, S Greentree, P A Munro, D Ferguson & secretary. Business. That holes on part of common likely to be reserved for travelling stock to be covered. Proposed by E M Ferguson that Ten Pounds (£10) be spent on them & seconded by C P Ferguson carried. Secretary was instructed to call tenders for same. D Ferguson chairman.

05-11-1923 A trustees meeting was hold on the above date when the tenders were examined to fill holes on proposed reserve for travelling stock. John Bennett tender to do same was accepted (£9-10-0) contract to be finished in three weeks from acceptance of tender, D Ferguson chairman.

John Bennett finished holes & trustees passed payment (£9-10-0). D Ferguson chairman.

1923 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
D Ferguson		5
Mrs D Ferguson	5	
D T Ferguson	5	
Mrs E Ferguson	4	1
Mrs D McKinnon	2	
C P Ferguson		5
Mrs C P Ferguson	5	1
P A Munro	3	
Miss E Ferguson	3	
Stan McKinnon	5	
E McKinnon	4	
E Ferguson	1	2
S Greentree		2
13	37	16

Common Ex £l6-18-2 Income £10-17-6 stock tax 10/7 Common sec.

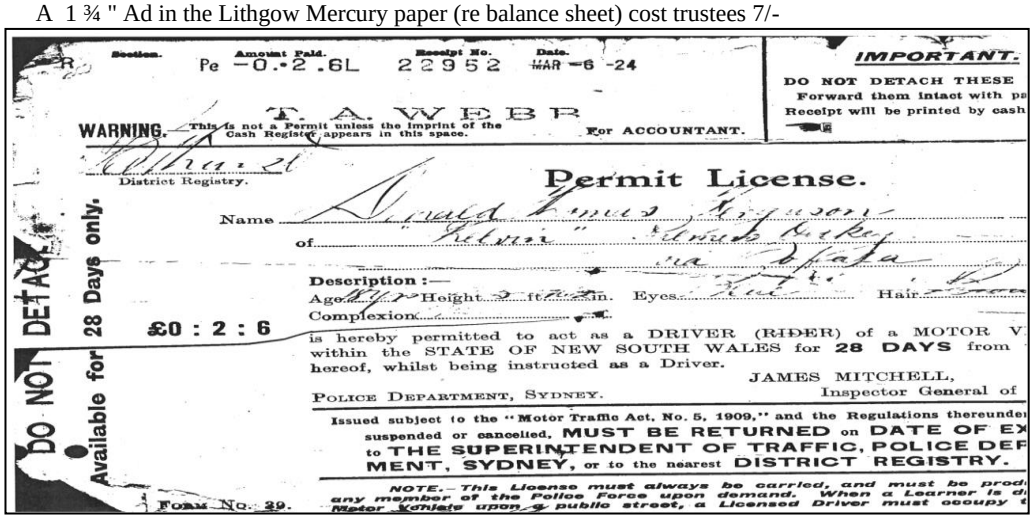
COMMON ROLL 1923

D Ferguson,
Mrs D Ferguson,
Mrs D McKinnon,
E P McKinnon,
E McC Ferguson,
Mrs E McC Ferguson,
C P Ferguson,
Mrs C P Ferguson,
Roy Ferguson,
C W Ferguson,
P A Munro,
Mrs P A Munro,
Mrs D Munro,
Miss L W Ferguson,
Les McKinnon,
Miss V M Ferguson,
Ron Ferguson,
S J Bower
Stan McKinnon,
Miss E M Ferguson,
D T Ferguson,
S Greentree,
Mrs S Greentree,
Charlotte Flora Ferguson
24

1924 Bathurst Rainfall 24.54 ins.

02-02-1924 A commoners meeting was held on above date when balance sheet for year 1923 was examined & found correct, Also commoners roll was revised. A trustees meeting was also hold when the trustees decided to change the fee on stock depastured on common from 2/6 to 1/- a head for half year. Proposed by C P Ferguson that 1/- a head be adopted Seconded by D Ferguson & carried.

A 1 ¾ " Ad in the Lithgow Mercury paper (re balance sheet) cost trustees 7/-


Section. Amount Paid. Pe -0.-2.6L Receipt No. 22952 Date. MAR -6 -24

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T. A. WEBER
WARNING. This is not a Permit unless the Imprint of the Cash Register appears in this space. For ACCOUNTANT.

District Registry.

Permit License.

Name Donald James Ferguson
of Kelvin "Lower Turon" via Lithgow

Description :—
Age 69 Height 5 ft 7½ in. Eyes Blue Hair Grey
Complexion Fair.

£0 : 2 : 6

is hereby permitted to act as a DRIVER (RIDER) of a MOTOR V within the STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES for 28 DAYS from hereof, whilst being instructed as a Driver.

JAMES MITCHELL,
Inspector General of
POLICE DEPARTMENT, SYDNEY.

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NOTE.—This License must always be carried, and must be prod any member of the Police Force upon demand. When a Learner is d Motor Vehicle upon a public street, a Licensed Driver must occupy

DO NOT DETACH Available for 28 Days only.

FORM No. 29.

1924 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
D Ferguson		4
Mrs D Ferguson	5	
Flora Ferguson	4	
D T Ferguson	5	
C P Ferguson	1	4
Mrs C P Ferguson	5	
Stan McKinnon	5	
E McKinnon	5	
S Greentree		1
9	30	9

Common Ex £ l-19-61/2 Income £1-19-0 Stocktax 6/5

1924 COMMON ROLL

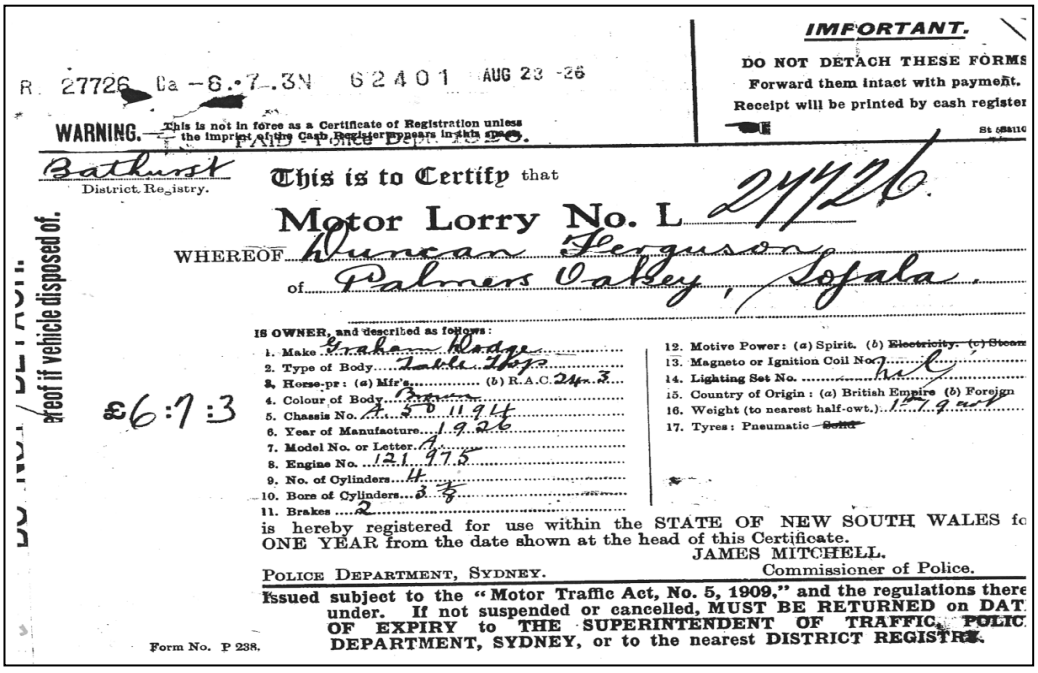
D Ferguson,
Mrs D Ferguson,
Mrs P A Munro ,
Mrs D McKinnon,
E P McKinnon,
E McC Ferguson,
Mrs E McC Ferguson
C P Ferguson,
Mrs C P Ferguson,
R S Ferguson,
P A Munro,
Les McKinnon,
Mrs D Munro,
Miss V M Ferguson,
S J Bower,
Stan McKinnon,
S Greentree,
Mrs S Greentree,
C F Ferguson

1925 Bathurst Rainfall 16.08 ins.

00-00-1925 H A Thompson married Muriel Agnes (Mab) Barlow
09-03-1925 Common sent letter to P P Board.
17-03-1925 Common sent letter to Inspector of Stock.
30-11-1925 Mrs D Ferguson tendered her resignation as Post Mistress as from end of year.

1926 Bathurst Rainfall 30.56 ins.

01-01-1926 Palmers Oakey Post Office closed. At the end of 1926 Postal Inspector reported only six families in Palmers Oakey & they were satisfied with a roadside mail delivery instead of a Post Office.
25-01-1926 Jeremiah James O'Farrell died (buried Capertee).
28-01-1926 Ewen Maxwell Smith born.
16-03-1926 D T Ferguson bought "Spencers" property from D R Howard for £91-12-6
02-04-1926 Alexander Brian Thompson born at Sydney.
15-05-1926 Jack & David Munro born.
28-10-1926 Receipt, "C P Ferguson paid £2-10-0 being his full payment for his ½ of 10 chains of wire fencing on Southern Side of McLeods." Signed Shumack Bros.



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PAID Police Dept. £6.7.3.

Bathurst District Registry.

This is to Certify that

Motor Lorry No. L 27726.

WHEREOF Duncan Ferguson
of Palmers Oakey, Sofala.

IS OWNER, and described as follows:

1. Make Grahame Dodge
2. Type of Body Table Top
3. Horse-pr: (a) Mfr's. (b) R.A.C. 24n.3
4. Colour of Body Green
5. Chassis No. A 20 11944
6. Year of Manufacture 1926
7. Model No. or Letter T
8. Engine No. 121 975
9. No. of Cylinders 4
10. Bore of Cylinders 3 ½
11. Brakes 2
12. Motive Power: (a) Spirit. (b) ~~Electricity.~~ (c) ~~Steam~~
13. Magneto or Ignition Coil No. C
14. Lighting Set No. Nil
15. Country of Origin: (a) British Empire (b) Foreign
16. Weight (to nearest half-cwt.) 15 cwt
17. Tyres: Pneumatic ~~Solid~~

£6:7:3

is hereby registered for use within the STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES fo ONE YEAR from the date shown at the head of this Certificate.

JAMES MITCHELL.
Commissioner of Police.

POLICE DEPARTMENT, SYDNEY.

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Form No. P 238.

DO NOT DETACH THIS PORTION. Hereof if vehicle disposed of.

Wallerawang
11/10/26

This is to Certify that I have this day sold to Albert Gough
1 Chandler seven seater Car 1921 Model
for Seventy Pounds

Cash received Twenty Pounds

Balance to be paid at the rate of One Pound each week

Signed Albert E. Gough

Witness J.B. Martin

Duncan Ferguson

Form 54.

ADDRESS REPLY TO
BOX 1A, G.P.O.,
SYDNEY.

STATE FISHERIES,
CHIEF SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT,
SYDNEY, 30th June 1927.

DEAR SIR,

TROUT ACCLIMATISATION.

In acknowledging your application dated 27th instant for trout fry to be liberated in Turon River and Reedy River ---------- I have to inform you that a consignment will be sent, if available, and you will be notified later as to date of despatch.

Please note that the empty cans must be returned to the nearest railway station within three days after receipt of the fish, and only on this condition can your request be honored, as the containers are urgently required for despatch of further consignments.

Yours faithfully,
E. B. HARKNESS,
Under Secretary.
per

Mr. Duncan Ferguson,
"Kelvin,"
Palmer's Oakey,
via SUNNY CORNER.

13749 8.62

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333

140 Russell Street,
Bathurst, 29-12-26 192

Mr. D. Ferguson Esq.
Palmers Calley,

DR. TO

SHAMBLER & COLTHURST

PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR TERMS ARE STRICTLY MONTHLY
INTEREST CHARGED ON OVERDUE ACCOUNTS

Cars Painted and Trimmed
Batteries Charged

22-9-26	Dismantle Cyld. heads & valves, set up true & return valves, machine valve seats,			
23-9-26	Dismantle Pistons, fit new gudgeon pins & Piston rings, grind in valves,			
24-9-26	Fit main & big end bearings, dism. Engine & trans. drums,			
30-9-26	Dism. Defferential & parts, fit new Crown Wheel & axles, & reassemble Defferential,			
1-10-26	Assemble Pinion & races & fit deff. to Car,			
8-10-26	Fit new drums & lift Engine into Car, adjust front wheels,			
11-10-26	Assemble clutch, & trans. bands & case,			
12-10-26	Turn spiggott end on screw & cut square head on same for trans. lock screw,			
13-10-26	Assemble valves, Cyld. heads & Radiator, adjust tappets, clean & adjust coil & plug points, adjust bands & clean master plug, finish off test Car,		£ 14	18 - 6
	Material Supplied			
22-9-26	8 Piston Rings, 8/8. 4 Gudgeon pins 10/-,			18 - 8
	1 Conrod 11/9, 2 tie rod bolts & bushes4/-.			15 - 9
	2 rear axles, £1-12-0, 2 K.Pins 3/-,2 keys 2/,	1		17 - 0
	1 grease cup 1/6. 1 Pinion sleeve 5/6.			7 - 0
	1 Set deff. washers 4/-, 1 Crown wheel £1-2-6,	1		6 - 6
	1 Pinion,			11 - 6
11-10-26	1 Reverse drum £1-9-0, 1 low gear bush 3/6,	1		12 - 6
	1 set Engine packings 4/6, 1 Cyld head gask.			7 - 0
	2 head bolts 1/6, 2 Rad. springs 1/9.			3 - 3
	4 C.A. Gaskets 1/6, 1 gal Mobiloil 8/6.			10 - 0
14-10-26	4 Gals. Benzine			10 - 8
	2, 30 x 3½ Boomerang tyres,	8		0 - 0
			£ 31	18 - 4
13-10-26	Paid by Cheque £31-17-6			

1927 Bathurst Rainfall 15.09 ins.

00-04-1927 D Ferguson sold Tan Bark to Penrith Tannery. 8 tons 15 cwt 2 qrs @ £6-5-0 per ton.

03-05-1927 Charles Francis Franks died at Parramatta.

30-06-1927 State Fisheries wrote to D Ferguson stating trout would be advisable soon for liberation in Turon and Reedy Rivers.

12-07-1927 Leslie Phillip McKinnon born.

06-08-1927 Ruth Ferguson born.

25-08-1927 Raymond Theobald died (buried P 0 Cemetery)

25-08-1927 LONE PIONEER.BURNT TO DEATH HOUSE REDUCED TO ASHES. BATHURST,

Mrs. Bridget McCarney, aged 85 years, one of the best-known residents of the Bathurst district. lost her life in a fire, which destroyed her home, on Monday night at Dark Corner, once a famous, but now a deserted, mining village.

The old lady was last seen alive late on Monday afternoon, when a neighbour's child visited her home to cut wood and carry water. She was quite well and Jovial when the child left. About 8.30 o'clock yesterday morning Mr. Bruce McLean, a settler residing in the locality, was surprised to notice that the house was missing from the landscape. Investigations showed that the six-roomed weatherboard residence had been reduced to ashes. Among the blackened ruins the remains of the old lady were found.

The district coroner (Mr. Boyd) hold an inquiry and returned an open verdict.

It is believed that Mrs. McCarney left her bed during the night and that a candle or a spark from the open grate Ignited the building. She came to Dark Corner 60 years ago with her husband to work on the gold diggings. Though her husband died there many years ago she lived on alone. For many years she assisted her husband in mining operations. SMH

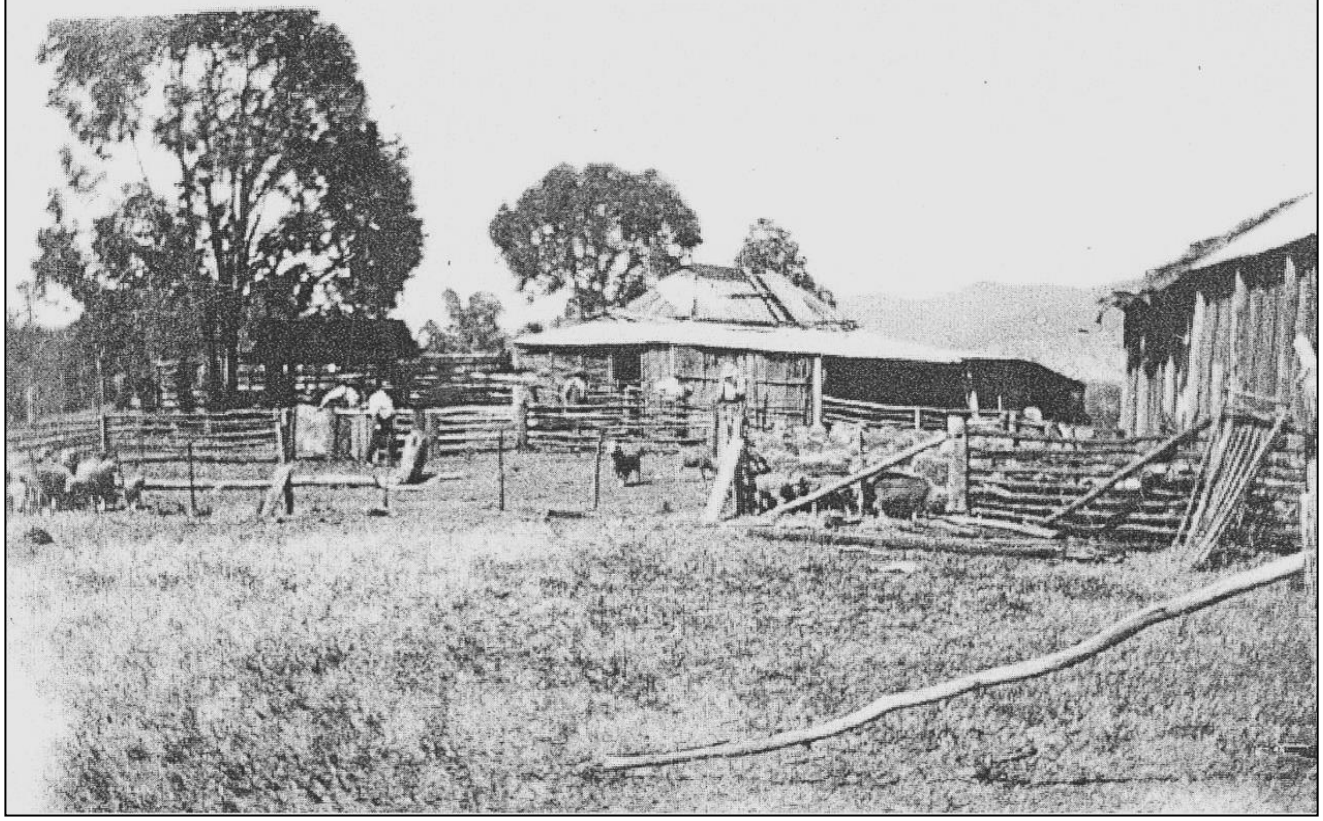
"Oaks" Yards & Sheds

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Oaks Yards & Sheds

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TELEGRAMS
DALGETY, SYDNEY

DALGETY AND COMPANY LIMITED

WOOL DEPARTMENT

HEAD OFFICE: 65/68 LEADENHALL STREET, LONDON E.C. 3.

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VICTORIA
MELBOURNE, GEELONG, WITH SUB-BRANCHES AT CAMPERDOWN, COLAC, TERANG

QUEENSLAND
BRISBANE, ROCKHAMPTON, TOWNSVILLE, WITH SUB-BRANCHES AT BLACKALL, CHARLEVILLE, HUGHENDEN, LONGREACH

WESTERN AUSTRALIA
PERTH, FREMANTLE, KALGOORLIE, GERALDTON, CARNARVON, WITH SUB-BRANCHES AT ALBANY, PORT HEDLAND, ROEBOURNE

SOUTH AUSTRALIA
ADELAIDE, WITH SUB-BRANCHES AT JAMESTOWN, KINGSTON, MILLICENT, MOUNT GAMBIER, NARACOORTE, PORT ADELAIDE, QUORN

NEW ZEALAND
AUCKLAND, CHRISTCHURCH, DUNEDIN, GISBORNE, INVERCARGILL, NAPIER, TIMARU, WELLINGTON, WITH SUB-BRANCHES AT BLENHEIM, CHEVIOT, GORE, HAMILTON, MASTERTON, NELSON, OAMARU, OPOTIKI, PALMERSTON NORTH, TE KUITI, WAIROA WANGANUI, WHANGAREI

SYDNEY 25th March 1927

D. Ferguson, Esq.
Kelvin,
Palmers Oakey.
VIA SUNNY CORNER.

Dear Sir,

We have pleasure in advising the sale by private treaty of the following wool;

Ex Sale	Lot	B/s	Quality	Price
17	286	13	AW, AH	22¼d

Account Sales will be rendered fourteen day from date of sale.

Trusting the realisation effected which represents present market value will be considered satisfactory.

Yours faithfully,

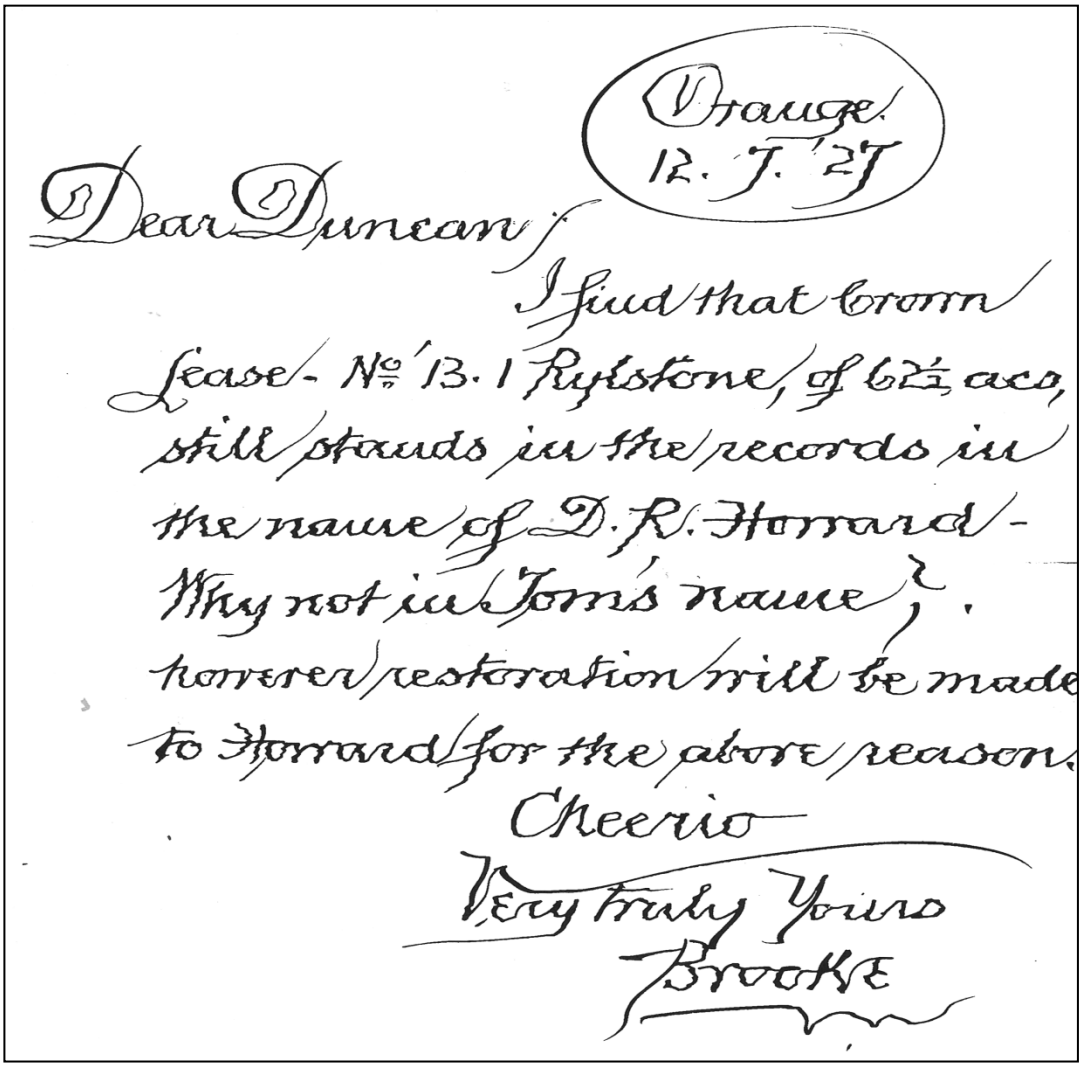
DALGETY AND COMPANY LIMITED,

Per

PLEASE ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE COMPANY



Jack Theobald. Duncan Ferguson. ? ? ?. Phil Ferguson. Sam Bower. ? ? ? .Ned Bennett. Stan Wilkinson.
C 1927



Orange.
12. J. '27

Dear Duncan,

I find that Crown Lease - No 13. 1 Rylstone, of 62½ acs, still stands in the records in the name of D. R. Horrard - Why not in Tom's name?, however restoration will be made to Horrard for the above reason.

Cheerio

Very truly Yours
Brooke

1928 Bathurst Rainfall 25.74

Tennis Matches. P 0 >< Sunny Corner won by 9 games. P 0 >< Sunny Corner won by 11 games.

13-01-1928 Judith Ann Thompson born at Sydney.

15-02-1928 D Ferguson "Kelvin" wool prices. W 28d, E 26 1/2d, BLS 19 1/4d, PCS & BLS 18 1/4d, LKS 10 1/2d, H 28d, RAMS & CBK 21 1/4d.

05-05-1928 Eliza Jane Theobald died (buried P 0 cemetery)

29-11-1928 Francis Herbert Theobald born.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1928

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
1	ANDERSON	Erica Marguerita	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
2	Anderson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Station Hand
3	BOWER	Samuel	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
4	CORBETT	Amelia	F	Warrie P 0.	H D
5	Corbett	Patrick Joseph	M	Warrie P 0.	Station Hand
6	FERGUSON	Charles Peet	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
7	Ferguson	Donald Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
8	Ferguson	Duncan	M	Palmers Oakey	Carrier
9	Ferguson	Elizabeth Janet	M	Palmers Oakey	H D
10	Ferguson	Ewen McColl	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
11	Ferguson	Mary Elizabeth	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
12	Ferguson	Matilda Josephine	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
13	Ferguson	Violet Mabel	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
14	Ferguson	Phyliss Sophia	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
15	GREENTREE	Florence Emma	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
16	Greentree	Septimus Ernest	M	Palmers Oakey	Maintenance
17	HEMSWORTH	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
18	Hyde	Amelia Ann	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
19	Hyde	Arthur Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
20	Hyde	Francis James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
21	McKINNON	Sarah Lousia	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
22	McKinnon	Stanley Clive	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
23	Munro	Peter Archibald	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

23 Munro	Ethel May	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
24 SCOTT	Eileen Alice Mavis	F	Warrie P 0	H D
25 Smith	Ewen Ernest	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
26 THEOBALD	Eliza Jane	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
27 Theobald	Henry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
28 Theobald	Edward Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
29Theobald	Olive May	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
30Theobald	Lillian May	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
31 Theobald	Robert James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
32 Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Grazier
33 Thompson	Muriel Agnes	F	Warrie	HD
34 Thompson	Archibald James	M	Warrie	Grazier
35 WILKINSON	Williarn James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner.

Regards
G. A. Kelly

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND STOCK

BRISBANE. 4th October, 1929.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 1st October I have to inform you that native bears are totally protected in Queensland and therefore there is no possibility of your friend, Mr. Duncan Ferguson of Kelvin, Palmer's Oakey, via Sunny Corner, New South Wales, obtaining any of these animals within this State. It is suggested that he may be able to get the bears he requires within New South Wales.

Yours faithfully,

E. Graham

Under Secretary.

G. Kelly, Esq., M.L.A.,
Parliament House,
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

To the N.R.M.A. INSURANCE LTD.

28 GROSVENOR STREET, SYDNEY

Private Motor Car Insurance Proposal Form

Policy No.
Branch BATHURST.
Rect. No. B
In Lieu of Policy No. 25894

I/We, the undersigned, desire to insure my/our Automobile (as described below) against the risk or risks applied for hereunder.

Policy to be made out in the name of: DUNCAN FERGUSON
(State nature of Proponent's interest, i.e., whether Hirer or Owner, or otherwise) Owner

Business Address "Kelvin", PALMERS OAKEY. Tel. No.

Private Address " " Tel. No.

Occupation Grazier

Policy to

Renewal Notice to

Policy to Date from 22nd March 19 29 to 4 p.m. on 22nd March 19 30

C/N

PARTICULARS OF AUTOMOBILE TO BE INSURED.

ke of Car, AND e if Sedan, Coach, or Tourer, etc.	H.P.	Number of seats including Driver.	Date of Manufacture	Date of Purchase by Proponent.	Purchase Price of Automobile when new	Amount Actually paid for Automobile by Proponent.	Sum proposed for Insurance including Accessories.	Maker's No. of Chassis	Maker's No. of Engine	Registered No.
YSLEF" 70 OURER	25	5	1928	Month Mch., Year 1928	£ 450	£ 450	£ 250	PT6095	H511-5395	153-01

completed and signed, none of the said n these conditions."

	£	s	d
Comprehensive Insurance (as per particulars on back hereof): Amount on Automobile £ 250	11	14	0
For (Insert Name) Hand Fire Extingaisher and Bracket, being carried on Motor Vehicle, 2½%			
If no claim paid or pending under a Comprehensive Policy in respect of the Motor Vehicle in the name of the Proposer in force for the year immediately preceding the commencing of this Insurance, 20% (See Back—"Premiums for Comprehensive Policies") As per last years Contract 15% NO CLAIM DISCOUNT	3	18	0
NETT PREMIUM	7	16	0
STAMP DUTY		4	0
AMOUNT PAYABLE	8	0	0

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STATEMENT FOR THE MONTH OF DEC 1928

MR D FERGUSON
PALMERS OAKEY

Interest charged on overdue Accounts.

No receipt valid unless on our printed receipt form.

DATE	PARTICULARS	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE DUE
	ACCOUNT RENDERED NOV	11 9 1		
3	SOX 6.11 BRACES 4.6 2 SOX 1.3 LACES 1D HAT 8.11 HAM 1.3.11½ 2 XMAS CAKES 9.0 4 CORDIAL EX 4.0 3 SARDINES 1.8 G SALTS 1.0 CLEM TONIC 5.0 MAGNESIA 1.3 2 BAK PDR 4.0 6 ONIONS 2.6 50 FLOUR 8.5 5 TEA 12.1 2 CURRANTS 1.9 2 RAISINS 1.9 2 SULTS 2.0 2 PICKLES 3.6	1 1 8 1 18 7½ 13 9		
	2 SAUCE 2.0 DO 1.4 ICING SUGAR 3.6 COCOANUT 1.6 ESS LEMON 1.6 VANILLA 1.6 LEM PEEL 1.4 DATES 1.0 20 W SODA 3.4	2 6 6		
7	BUTTER 2.1 VITA BRITS 1.0 4 JELLIES 2.0	5 1		
3	CASH		11 9 1	
17	5 PRS HINGES 2.11 C SEAT 1.3 COFF ESS1.7 COFFEE 3.0 COAT	4 2 7 1 17 6		
	TABLECLOTH 4.6 3 CRETONNE 5.3 BLIND 3.6 5 CEMENT CLOTH 14.7 3½ CURTAIN NET 7.10½	2 0 8½		
	TROUSERS 1.2.6 TIE 4.6	1 7 0		
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Any Payments made after last day of month will be deducted from your next Account.

This Statement is a complete record of your account for the month.—It shows what you paid as well as what you purchased and returned.

The final balance on last month's statement is brought forward at the beginning of this statement All purchases are shown in the Debit column. All goods, returns and all cash paid are shown in the Credit column. The entry in the Balance column is the amount unpaid at the end of the month.

1929 Bathurst Rainfall 21.43 ins.

00-00-1929 Duncan Ferguson tried to obtain Native Bears from Queensland to replace the local bears that were dying out.

19-06-1929 Lithgow Mercury gave a report on Blaxland Shire councillors inspecting roads;

"At Palmers Oakey 9 or 10 miles farther on, Mesrs. Duncan, Ewen, Thomas, and Latham Ferguson, Wilkinson, and P Munro were met at lunchtime. The making of arrangements with local residents to do much of the roadwork, instead of sending gangs long distances, with cumbersome plant was favourably debated, and generally the wisdom of the idea was confirmed. Messrs. D Ferguson, Wilkinson and Munro joined the party and accompanied it to the Turon Shire boundary, a couple of miles beyond Bingletree station where the Turon River makes an unmistakable borderline. At Bingletree station, romantically situated at the foot of towering mountains covered with sheep pasture, Mr H L Dobbie, manager joined up. Then Mr Ferguson and he, who know the country well, laid before Council certain improvements required to bring the Palmers Oakey --Sofala road up to something like decent standard. The site of the proposed gates applied for by Mr Wilkinson was also pointed out. The original position had been subject to objection, and it was thought the whole matter would have to be gone into at next Council meeting. Though Mr Wilkinson had little to say, the opinion was formed that he had justice on his side. That he had nothing to fear from Councils decision.

In this locality a couples of culverts were inspected. Of the remedy several opinions ware formed. These will be ventilated at next meeting.

Councillors ware definitely of opinion, however, that too much time, for little return, was wasted by men and plant travelling long distances from home to carry out roadwork and returning, as provided for by the award. A new and more economic system is on the tapis and will be reduced to a workable basis at an early date.

A small bridge on the P 0 --Bathurst road, about half a mile from the former turn-off, was discovered to be in a very shaky condition. There was a hole in the decking, and danger signals were set to warn the unwary travellers. Messrs. Ferguson, Munro and Wilkinson were thanked for the assistance and information given."

19-06-1929 Ivy May McKinnon born.

1930 Bathurst Rainfall 25.11 ins.

27-03-1930 D Ferguson received from J D Martin £14-15-3 for carting honey etc.

27-03-1930 D Ferguson sold trotting mare to S T Bower for £10-0-0

30-04-1930 Jane Amelia Thompson (wife of WG) died.

26-06-1930 Dog registration 2/6 payable at C P S.

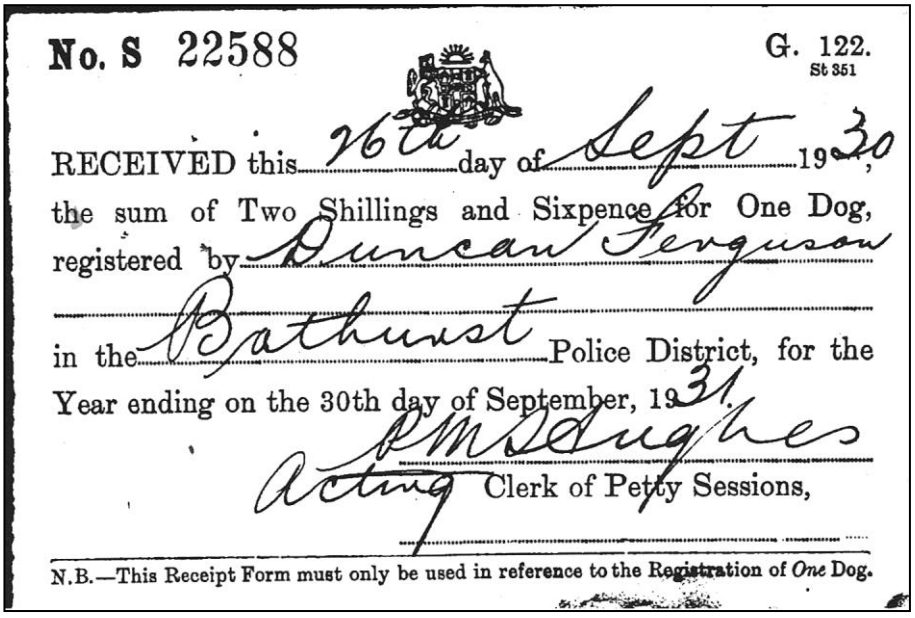
21-07-1930 Philippa Evelyn Thompson born at Bathurst.

26-09-1930 Mining Warden from Sofala measured out lease on Portion 71 for D Ferguson.

05-09-1930 John Guihot born.

20-09-1930 Mining Warden Mr. Raggatt report on gold mine on Portion 49 Turon known as "Franks" "Bobby Burns" stated; "Reef abt. 1 ft wide highly mineralised & showing a little free gold - strike N. 10 o E. underline steeply E. Payable stone should be obtained by further prospecting. 2 Hd. Battery. Aid granted to continue the tunnel on the vein 50ft commencing from tunnel mouth.

06-12-1930 At Palmer's Oakey, near Bathurst, Messr BJT. McSorley and -E. Gartrell have struck 'a reef, which is' said to be more than a foot wide, -and the assays of which have returned two ounces to the ton. In the same locality,. Messrs. C. Hansard and H. Schumack have struck a reef which is -said; to. return an ounce to the ton. It is a long- time since mining matters .were so active in this district.



No. S 22588 G. 122. St 351

RECEIVED this 26th day of Sept 1930

the sum of Two Shillings and Sixpence for One Dog,

registered by Duncan Ferguson

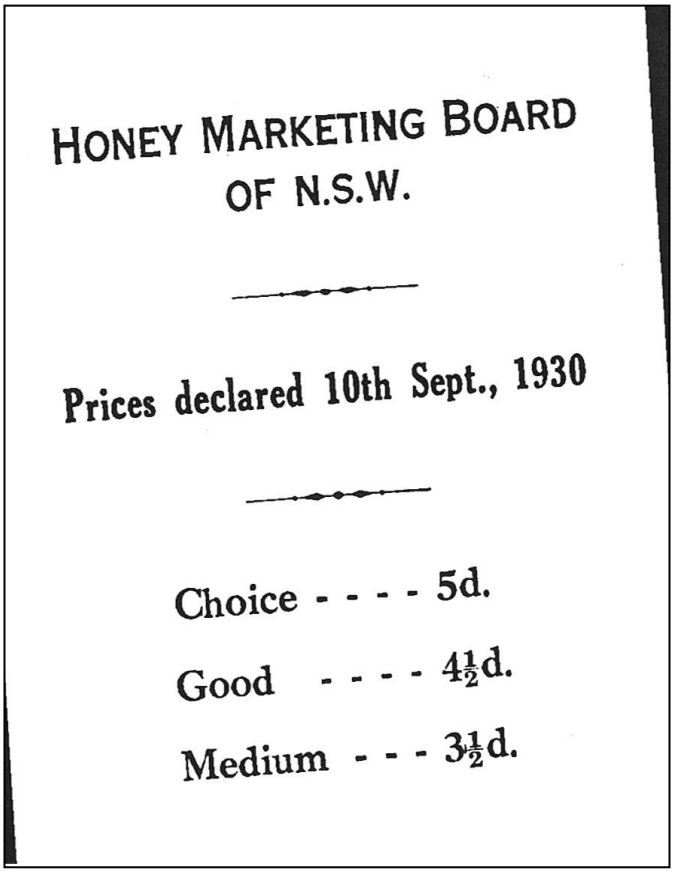
in the Bathurst Police District, for the

Year ending on the 30th day of September, 1931.

A M S Hughes

Acting Clerk of Petty Sessions,

N.B.—This Receipt Form must only be used in reference to the Registration of *One* Dog.



1931 Bathurst Rainfall 25.99 ins.

10-03-1931 Report by Mr Raggatt on gold mine on Portion 29 Turon known as “Franks" - Bobby Burns "stated:- At abt. 31ft from the tunnel mouth well marked nearly horizontal joint surface crosses the floor, beyond the vein is only abt. 5 inches thick and underfoot abt. 3ft. He again reported on the same mine dated 14 days later;- Balance grant withdrawn and aid granted to sink a winze 1O ft at point 28ft from tunnel mouth.

23-03-1931 to 20-06-1931 John Suna and J Bartos ringing & scrubbing Tobins Oakey for D Ferguson.

31-03-1931 Anne Franks (nee Newton) died at Sans Souci.

01-06-1931 Duncan Ferguson died at "Kelvin". buried P 0 cemetery.

05-11-1931 Peter Munro died. buried P 0 cemetery.

1932 Bathurst Rainfall 24.62 ins.

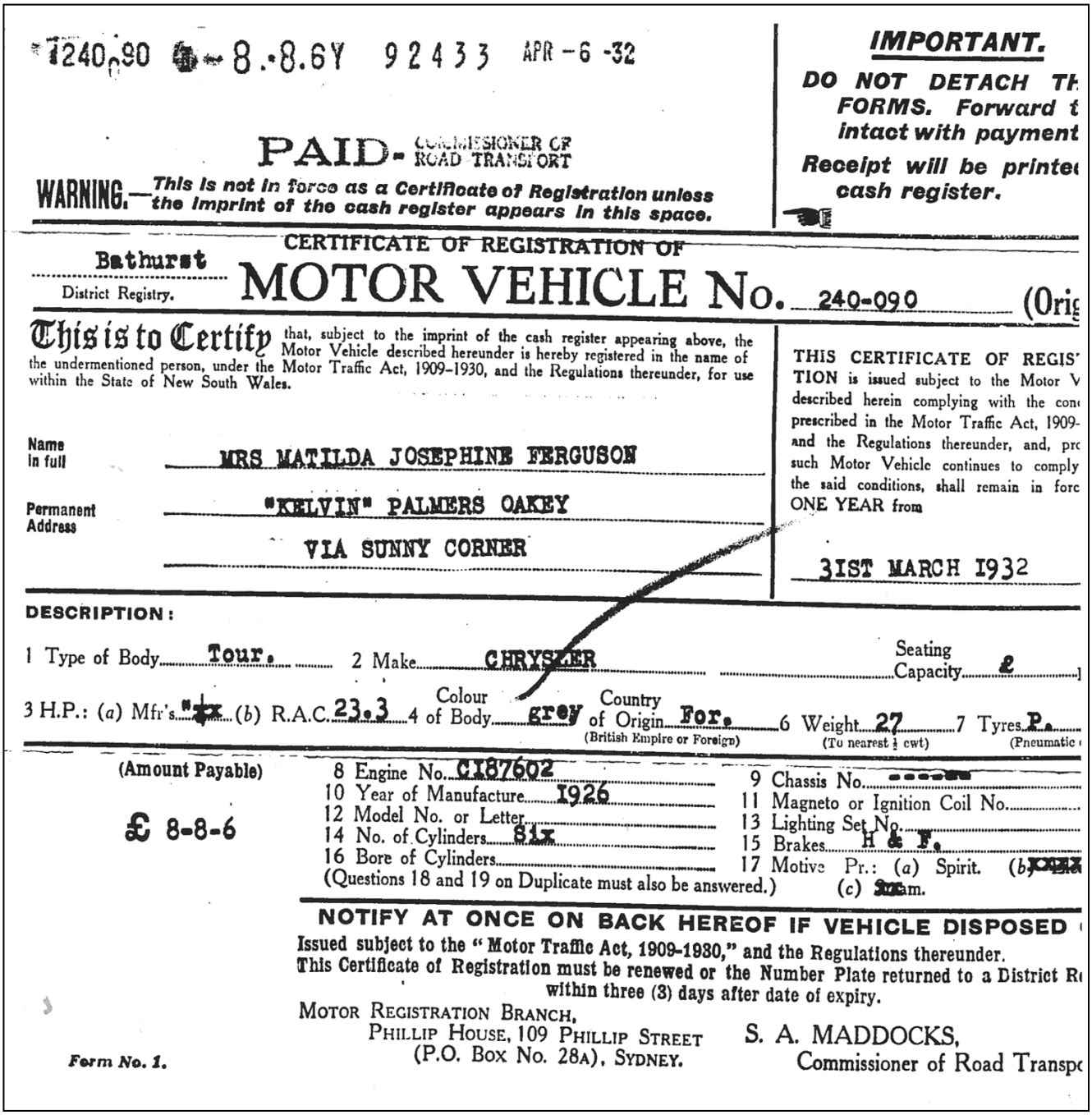
05-01-1932 IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES -Probate Jurisdiction -In the estate of ROBERT JAMES THEOBALD late of Palmers Oakey via Sofala in the State of New South Wales Apiarist deceased Intestate - Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that administration of the Estate of the above named deceased may be granted to the PUBLIC TRUSTEE and all persons having claims against the said Estate must render the same In detail to the under- signed on or before the 1st day of February 1932 E J PAYNE Public Trustee St James Buildings Elizabeth street Sydney

21-03-1932 60 OZ. NUGGET OF GOLD FOUND.LITHGOW Sunday. A nugget weighing 60oz 4d 2 g. was found by Mr. W. A. Roiut Dark Corner, near a spot where much gold was discovered to former years. It was located in a crevice of rock on West Creek, about a mile below the old Homeward Bound mine.

10-10-1932 D Ferguson sold bay mare to D Davies for £2-10-0

27-10-1932 Report on the gold mine on Portion 29 Turon known as “Franks- Bobby Burns" stated :- "Aid refused for sinking at tunnel mouth-values poor.'

20-11-1932 Kathleen Ferguson born.



"240-90 8-8-6Y 92433 APR -6 -32

PAID- COMMISSIONER OF ROAD TRANSPORT

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IMPORTANT.

DO NOT DETACH TH FORMS. Forward t intact with payment

Receipt will be printe cash register.

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF

Bathurst
District Registry.

MOTOR VEHICLE No. 240-090 (Orig

This is to Certify that, subject to the imprint of the cash register appearing above, the Motor Vehicle described hereunder is hereby registered in the name of the undermentioned person, under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909–1930, and the Regulations thereunder, for use within the State of New South Wales.

THIS CERTIFICATE OF REGIS TION is issued subject to the Motor V described herein complying with the con prescribed in the Motor Traffic Act, 1909- and the Regulations thereunder, and, pro such Motor Vehicle continues to comply the said conditions, shall remain in forc ONE YEAR from

31ST MARCH 1932

Name in full: MRS MATILDA JOSEPHINE FERGUSON

Permanent Address: "KELVIN" PALMERS OAKEY
VIA SUNNY CORNER

DESCRIPTION:

1 Type of Body Tour. 2 Make CHRYSLER Seating Capacity 2

3 H.P.: (a) Mfr's "6x (b) R.A.C. 23.3 4 Colour of Body grey Country of Origin For. (British Empire or Foreign) 6 Weight 27 (To nearest ¼ cwt) 7 Tyres P. (Pneumatic

(Amount Payable)

£ 8-8-6

8 Engine No. CI87602
9 Chassis No. [illegible]
10 Year of Manufacture 1926
11 Magneto or Ignition Coil No.
12 Model No. or Letter
13 Lighting Set No.
14 No. of Cylinders Six
15 Brakes H & F.
16 Bore of Cylinders
17 Motive Pr.: (a) Spirit. (b) [illegible] (c) Steam.
(Questions 18 and 19 on Duplicate must also be answered.)

NOTIFY AT ONCE ON BACK HEREOF IF VEHICLE DISPOSED

Issued subject to the "Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1930," and the Regulations thereunder.
This Certificate of Registration must be renewed or the Number Plate returned to a District R within three (3) days after date of expiry.

MOTOR REGISTRATION BRANCH,
PHILLIP HOUSE, 109 PHILLIP STREET
(P.O. BOX No. 28A), SYDNEY.

S. A. MADDOCKS,
Commissioner of Road Transpo

Form No. 1.

1933 Bathurst Rainfall 18.22 ins.

06-01-1933 LITHGOW, Thursday Fire destroyed a motor garage and shed on the property of T. Fitzgerald, storekeeper, of West Mitchell. Two motor cars and a quantity of wool were burnt. SMH

14-02-1933 . OLD MAN'S DEATH. LITHGOW, Monday. \\ The body of John Riley, 82, was discovered ! in an abandoned mine shaft at West Mitchell, near Sunny Corner, this morning. He had been missing since Monday. Riley left Sunny Corner on Monday night to walk to his home and as his eyesight was not good, SMH

12-05-1933 Barbara Papworth born (married Frank Theobald)

04-08-1933 David Fraser Thompson born at Bathurst.

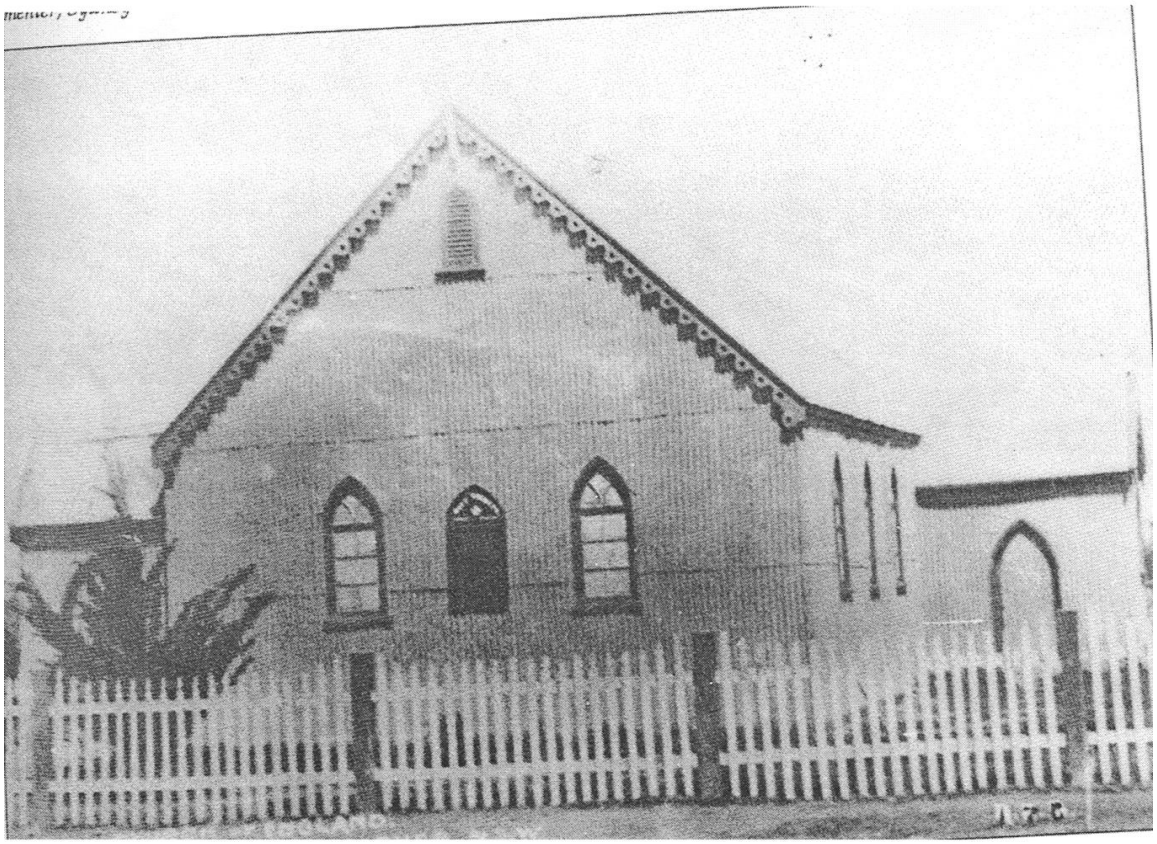
J. S. MURRAY
AUCTIONEER, &c.
SUNNY CORNER

Sunny Corner
March 4th 1933

Received from Mr Duncan
Latham Ferguson the sum
of £43=0=0 (Forty three)
[redacted]. being purchase
price of Church of England
situated Bathurst Street
Sunny Corner. Also inclusive
whatever the building contains

J. S. MURRAY
2d
SUNNY CORNER

John S. Murray
Auctioneer



SUNNY CORNER C OF E CHURCH 1933
LATER TO BECOME "Kelvin" AT PALMERS OAKEY



? M.J. FERGUSON. FLORA SMITH ? ?
EWEN SMITH
?
C 1933 LOOKING S/W FROM "KELVIN". MUNROS IN BACKGROUND
C1933

COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE UNDER SECRETARY, P.O. BOX 48 AA.

In referring to this Assay please quote marginal number and year.

Department of Mines,

Sydney, 26th June 1

SIR,

The sample(s) submitted by you on 13th instant,
and stated to be from Palmers Oakey Creek.
has/have been assayed/analysed in the Chemical Laboratory, the results reported by the Analyst-in-Charge being as under.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. W.H. McIntosh,
WALLERAWANG.

Under Secretary,

per

ASSAY CERTIFICATE.

No.		DESCRIPTION.	RESULT. PER TON OF SAMPLE. GOLD. Oz.	dwt.	gr.	SILVER. Oz.	dwt.	gr.
2246	46	Black cherty rock with a little iron pyrites.	trace			trace		
2247	47	White quartz.	trace			trace		
2248	48	White quartz & greenish igneous rock.	nil			nil		
2249	49	Slightly ironstained quartz.	----	3	6	---	2	4
2250	50	Ironstained quartz.	trace			trace		
2251	51	Ironstained quartz.	trace			trace		
----	CS	Cornish stone.	------			-----		

OTHER METALS. PER CENT.

1934 Bathurst Rainfall 27.85

19-02-1934 Report on gold mine on Portion 29 Turon known as Franks" -Bobby Burns" stated ;- "Aid refused - sample assayed 3 dwt.6 gr. gold. And no well defined reef disclosed."

28-04-1934 While clearing rough country near Palmer's Oakey, Thomas Martin was seriously Injured A tree which he was felling jumped off the stump and struck him below the knee, breaking his leg in two places He was conveyed by his companions for a number of miles on horseback to where was possible to bring a car, and was then conveyed by car to hospital Owing to the nature of the country the trip took more than four hours. This was on Fergusons property in Tobins Oakey

27-08-1934 LITHGOW, Monday. Mr. Frederick Theobald, of Capertee, had a remarkable escape from injury when the car he was driving left the road at Crown Ridge. The vehicle passed over a steep bank and came to rest alongside a tree. The front wheel was smashed.

14-11-1934 Duncan Ferguson married Winifred Elbourn at Portland.

1935 Bathurst Rainfall 19.71 ins.

00-01-1935 D T Ferguson bought; 2 stand Cooper shearing gear for £74-15-0 .and a 3 HP Cooper engine £47-10-00 for a total of £122-05-0

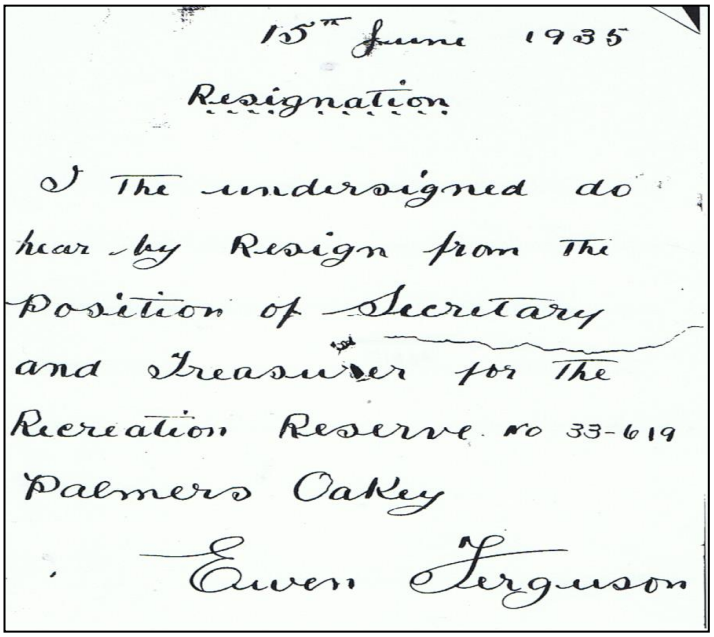
10-01-1935 LITHGOW, Wednesday. GRASSHOPPER PEST. Capertee Valley Invaded. Grasshoppers have invaded the Capertee district. They have been thick about Running Stream, Ilford, Palmer's Oakey, and Upper Turon Creeks, and already have done a considerable amount of damage to crops and pastures. In a few hours good crops, especially potatoes, completely disappear. At Ilford the pests are thinning out, and the cold weather has had an adverse effect on them.

15-06-1935 Public meeting was held re Recreation Reserve No.33-619. When 3 new trustees were elected. E J Bennett, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson, Ewen Ferguson resigned as sec/tres. and D L Ferguson was elected in place of R McKinnon. W Theobald removed and D McKinnon deceased.

05-07-1935 A report by Mr Whalan on the gold mine on Portion 29 Turon known as “Franks" – “Bobby Burns" stated :- “Reef channel 5ft wide in shaft tunnel entrance and sample of quartz at grass assayed 5 dwt." A report on the same mine dated 29-07-1935 stated :- "Aid granted to sink the 5ft shaft 20ft."

Sarah McKinnon & M J Ferguson @ "Oaks" c1935





15th June 1935

Resignation

I The undersigned do hear by Resign from the Position of Secretary and Treasurer for the Recreation Reserve No 33-619 Palmers Oakey

Ewen Ferguson

1936 Bathurst Rainfall 22.88 ins.

15-02-1936 to the 28-03-1936 Charlie & Ernest Theobald working for D T Ferguson
25-04-1936 to the 19-12-1936 Len Smith working for D T Ferguson wages £2-5-0 per week, tax 6d. At the same time Jack Theobald and Bill Elbourn were working for D L Ferguson for the same wage.
09-06-1936 Enid Mary McKinnon born.
05-07-1936 Janet Miller born at Merriwa (m Brian Thompson)
12-09-1936 Colin L Ferguson born at Bathurst.
00-00-1936 Rates to Blaxland Shire on 11 acres at Palmers Oakey 3/2d.

1937 Bathurst Rainfall 17.20 ins.

00-01-1937 E E Smith started work for D L Ferguson @ £3-00 per week.
01-01-1937 Locals held picnic at Wash Pen on the Turon River.
02-01-1937 Locals played tennis and hold a dance that night at "Kelvin".
03-01-1937 Tennis played at "Oaks" Floss & Norman Elbourn returned to Capertee.
05-01-1937 Sheep dip in Horse Paddock on "Oaks" (west of Munros) in use.
13-01-1937 Fergusons bought crystal radio set
31-01-1937 Palmers Oakey played Meadow Flat tennis P 0 won.
04-02-1937 Flood in Oakey Creek.
05-02-1937 D Ferguson bought 4 horses from Phillips for £33-0-0.
07-02-1937 Tennis at "Oaks".
14-02-1937 Tennis P 0 v Yetholme.
14-02-1937 D Fergusons wool sold E 20d, W 19 1/2d, Pcs 17d.
21-02-1937 Tennis at "Oaks".
28-02-1937 Tennis at "Oaks".
06-03-1937 Election day.
15-03-1937 D Ferguson took S Greentree to Doctor.
21-03-1937 Tennis
27-03-1937 Theobalds & Fergusons duck shooting on Turon River.
28-03-1937 Tennis.
31-03-1937 D Ferguson bought sulky from J Martin for £2-0-0.
04-04-1937 D Ferguson left for Bathurst with draft mare.
06-04-1937 Bathurst Show, D Fergusons mare won 2nd prize.
07-04-1937 Bathurst Show.
08-04-1937 Bathurst Show, D Ferguson brought mare home.
11-04-1937 Tennis.
06-05-1937 Duncan Ferguson, his mother Matilda, his wife Win and son Colin moved into “Mickies Hut" in Tobins Oakey to work during the winter.
01-06-1937 Snowed.
03-06-1937 C Theobald & D Ferguson drove sheep from Capertee for Ewen Ferguson.
04-06-1937 Fergusons put superphosphate on their lucerne paddock near house
05-06-1937 Meeting held at Union Church.
07-06-1937 D Ferguson went to Sofala to Sgt Kempton re church.
14-06-1937 D.T Ferguson bought Olsmobile car.
19-06-1937 Palmers Oakey Church sold to Ned Bennett for £12-0-0.
20-06-1937 Tennis.
20-06-1937 Rabbit skins 5/9 per lb.
24-06-1937 Ernie Theobald bought Wippet car.
28-06-1937 E E Smith drove 122 sheep (D Fergusons) to Bathurst Sales.
30-06-1937 E E Smith arrived at Bathurst, sheep sold for Ewes & Wethers £1 -0-3, Lambs 118/6.
05-07-1937 Snowed.
25-07-1937 Tennis match Bathurst v P 0.

28-07-1937 Tank stand erected at "Oaks"
07-08-1937 Tennis
14-08-1937 Dance at Limekilns.
15-08-1937 Tennis.
31-08-1937 Cattle buyers looking at cattle average price £30-0-0 per head
05-09-1937 Tennis at Sofala, P 0 5, Sofala 9.
14-09-1937 D Ferguson & J Elbourn drove mob of cattle to Limekilns.
00-09-1937 Sheep dip at "Oaks" completed
17-10-1937 Tennis match Yetholme v P 0. Wet day.
23--10--1937 Election day.
30-11-1937 Henry Allen carted Fergusons wool to Lithgow rail.
27-12-1937 Picnic at Wash Pen on the Turon, dance at Sunny Corner.
29-12-1937 D Ferguson issued with permit to Inoculate Mrs E M Munro's sheep with Black Disease Vaccine. Cost of vaccine £3-10-0 for 2000ml (7d/head)
00-00-1937 Wool prices E 20d, H 20d,W 19 112d, BILS 17d, PCS93/4d.
00-00-1937 The following are some of the expenses incurred by D L Ferguson on his property "Kelvin" for the year 1-7-1936- 30-6-1937.

	£-----s----- d
Wages	124-17-00
Workers Insurance	1- 9- 6
Land rent (900 acres)	14-13- 6
Sheep bought 711	540-11- 8
Car insurance	5-18- 0
Woolpacks, shear ex	14- 0- 0
Serum for inoculating	5- 0- 0
Buy 1 draft mare	27- 0- 0
Buy 4 horses	33- 0- 0
Motor registration	8- 8- 6
Federal Tax	12- 5
State & special Tax	14- 6- 6
P P Board rates	3- 0-10
Shire Rates	14-12- 7
Chaff,salt drench,shoes	65- 0- 0

1938 Bathurst Rainfall 15.79 ins.
01-01-1938 Tennis match at "Oaks". P O v "Lochaber", P0 Won.
02-01-1938 Tennis at "Oaks".
05-01-1938 Tiger snake killed 2 dogs and 2 cats at "Kelvin"
08-01-1938 Win Ferguson lost baby.
08-01-1938 Heavy frost.
09-01-1938 Picnic at Wash Pen.
16-01-1938 Tennis
29-01-1938 Jack Elbourn married Dasie Facer.
30-01-1938 Tennis.
13-02-1938 Tennis match at Bathurst P 0 v J Stevens court
06-03-1938 Tennis at Limekilns victory to Limekilns
13-03-1938 Tennis
26-03-1938 Election day E M Ferguson returning officer, D L Ferguson poll clerk.
27-03-1938 Tennis
10-04-1938 Tennis
16-04-1938 Horse races at Wattle Flat, T Fergusons mare Miracle won a race.
17-04-1938 Tennis
08-05-1938 P 0 played Yetholme tennis.
21-05-1938 Good rain, broke drought.
18-06-1938 T Ferguson took his horses to Wattle Flat races, Mable won bridle and won Cup.
25-06-1938 Flo Elbourn married Clarrie Cupitt
30-06-1938 Snowed.
00-07-1938 Tom Ferguson bought a house in Piper St Bathurst.
02-07-1938 Terry Bennett born at Portland, D Ferguson took Ned Bennett and Hydes to the hospital to see Rube & Terry, hours to get home through snow at Sunny Corner.
18-07-1938 Rabbit skins 2/9 per lb. fox skins 6/- each.
19-07-1938 Const. Menzies came to see about controlling kangaroos
14-07-1938 Kangaroo shoot on Mt Horrible with Bathurst Police.
21-07-1938 Kangaroo shoot with Bathurst Police.
29-08-1938 Peter Theobald died.
30-08-1938 Salvation Army officer stayed overnight at "Kelvin".
18-09-1938 Tennis.
20-09-1938 Eric Bennett taken to Doctor.
11-10-1938 Police from Bathurst went to "Kia Ora" where it was reported that a body was buried in a diggers hole , the occupant of "Kia Ora" house was "flushed out". The "killer" Jack Elbourn the owner of"Kia Ora" showed the Police the "Body", it was a dead calf he had not buried deep enough.
13-11-1938 Picnic at junction of Turon & Running Stream.
19-11-1938 Horse races at Wattle Flat.
19-12-1938 Valerie McKinnon born (Alan & Elsie).

1939 Bathurst Rainfall 21.88 ins.

00-00-1939 "Kelvin" on the market.

30-01-1939 Fred Elbourn born (Jack & Dasie)

29-04-1939 to the 02-09-1939 J Hemsworth working for D T Ferguson for £2-5-0 per week.

02-05-1939 D Ferguson rode to Cullen Bullen and bought 1 bay gelding from Invincible Colliery for £18-0-0 and led him home.

03-06-1939 A motor car driven by Mr. Bruce McLeay, of Palmer's Oakey, ' and a. motor lorry driven by Mr. Hugh McKinnon, of Meadow Flat, collided near the public school at Dark Corner.Mr. McLeay's wife suffered injuries to the face, and Mr. E. Bennett, of Dark Comer severe cuts about the neck and face. they were given medical treatment

29-07-1939 Recreation Trustees meeting held at the Recreation Ground, Present, E Ferguson, E J Bennett, D L Ferguson. Business in hand to discuss the erection of a tennis court. It was decided to call a public meeting to discuss same.

10-08-1939 D Ferguson sold two small blocks of land on the Turon River above Sofala to G Nash & Fred Gorman.

A public meeting was held at the Recreation Reserve. Business in hand to tender the resignation of H Theobald and to discuss the erection of a tennis court. On the motion of B McLeay ,seconded by D Ferguson it was decided to accept the resignation. B McLeay nominated C Munro to fill the vacancy , seconded by T Ferguson, carried. The public agreed to the erection of a tennis court and the secretary was instructed to prepare an estimate of the cost thereof with a view of obtaining a grant to cover cost material. Estimated cost of material to erect tennis court.

Wire netting	12-0-0
Wire	1-0-0
Posts	2-0-0
Top dressing	5-0-0
	20-0-0

19-08-1939 A trustees meeting was held to discuss the renting of grass rights on the Recreation Reserve. Trustees agreed D L Ferguson had removed sufficient briars to cover the rent for this period. Present E Ferguson, T Ferguson, D Ferguson. Moved T Ferguson the grass rights be granted to E Ferguson, destruction of briars being payment for rent. Secretary of the trust wrote to Under Sec of Lands advising of the change in Trustees and asking for a grant for the court.

01--09-1939 W J Bennett working for D T Ferguson £2-0-0 per week, tax 10d

21-09-1939 J D Martin paid D T Ferguson £3-0-0 for a bee stand for 12 months.

11-11-1939 D T Ferguson sold C D Munro 1 mare for £6—0—0

00-00-1939 Wool loaded out "Nebo' 21 bales & "Clearvale" 11 bales.

1940 Bathurst Rainfall 13.71 ins.

00-00-1940 **Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade formed:-**

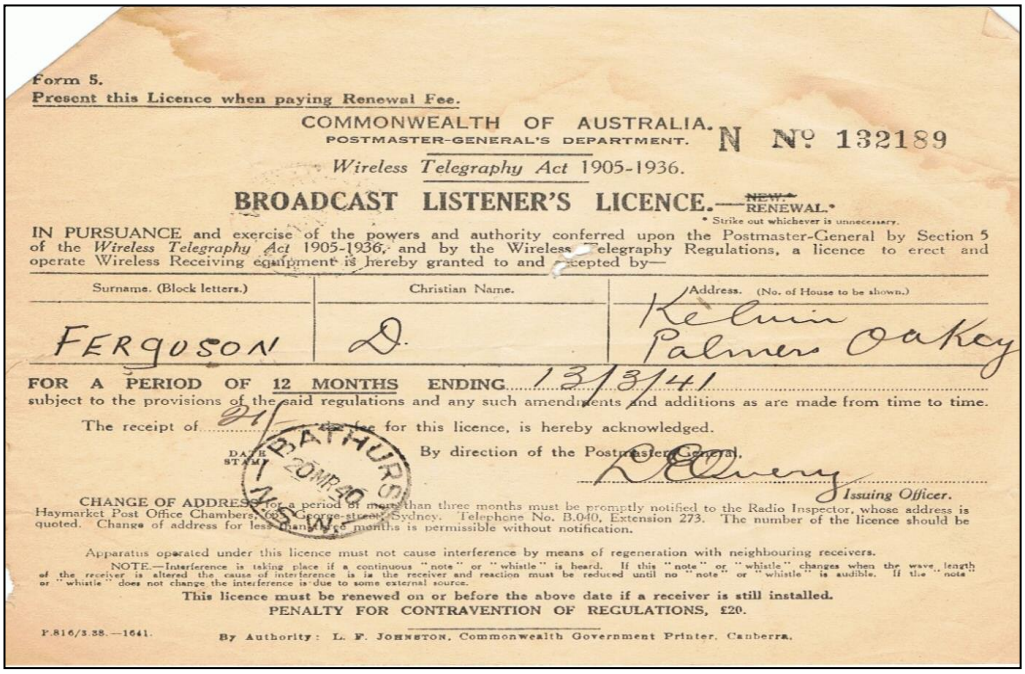
Aiden Shumack	10-0
E M Ferguson	10-0
D Ferguson	10-0
C Munro	3-0
Mrs A Elbourn	2-6
T Ferguson	10-0
J Shumack	7-6
T G Scott	2-6
H A Thompson	1-00-0
	£3-15-6

06-01-1940 to the 28-12-1940 W J Bennett working for D T Ferguson £2-1-6/£2-2-6

14-03-1940 D Ferguson wrote to BlaxIand Shire re road to Capertee, they replied they had no money to spend on it.

29-04-1940 D T Ferguson sold 203 Piper St Bathurst to Mrs E Clayton for £400-0-0

07-09-1940 Recreation Trustees meeting at Rec. Ground. Present E J Bennett, C D Munro, D T Forguson, D L Ferguson. Moved E J Bennett seconded D Ferguson, the grass rights were granted to D T Ferguson for 12 months, destruction of briars and sinking of dam in a position approved by trustees being payment.



Form 5.
Present this Licence when paying Renewal Fee.

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POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT. N No 132189

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FERGUSON	D.	Kelvin Palmers Oakey

FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS ENDING 13/3/41
subject to the provisions of the said regulations and any such amendments and additions as are made from time to time.

The receipt of £1 fee for this licence, is hereby acknowledged.

DATE STAMP BATHURST 20 MAR 40 N.S.W.

By direction of the Postmaster-General.

D E Avery
Issuing Officer.

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NOTE.—Interference is taking place if a continuous "note" or "whistle" is heard. If this "note" or "whistle" changes when the wave length of the receiver is altered the cause of interference is in the receiver and reaction must be reduced until no "note" or "whistle" is audible. If the "note" or "whistle" does not change the interference is due to some external source.

This licence must be renewed on or before the above date if a receiver is still installed.
PENALTY FOR CONTRAVENTION OF REGULATIONS, £20.

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1941 Bathurst Rainfall 21.39 ins.

04-01-1941 to the 15 -11-1941 W J Bennett working for D T Ferguson.

13-01-1941 E Wilkinson sold D T Ferguson 121 sheep for £42-7-0

22-01-1941 May Elbourn born (Jack & Daisy).

23-03-1941 H A Thompson died at “Warrie".

09-07-1941 Ewen Peter McKinnon died.

06-09-1941 Recreation trustees meeting held at Rec Ground Present E J Bennett, C D Munro, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. Sinking of a dam and killing briars was considered sufficient rent by D T Ferguson . C D Munro was granted the grass rights for 12 months for 10/- and killing briars.

22-09-1941 Sec wrote to Under Sec Lands enclosing Statutory Declaration for each trustee and stated they would send reports etc each Sept.

26-09-1941 MICHAEL McDONELL. JAMES McDONELL both of Upper Turon River, overdue rates £7/8/4, Land. Portion 18 on Turon River west, of Capertee. (Sydney Morning Herald)

00-00-1941 Public subscriptions for erection of tennis court .

E E Smith 1-0-0
D T Ferguson 1-0-0
D L Ferguson 1 -0-0
W Bennett 10-0 =total 3-10-0

W J Bennett called up to train in Armed Services.

18-12-1941 D T Ferguson sold 7 pigs at Bathurst for £4-3-6

26-12-1941 James (Jimmy) Bennett born.

1942 Bathurst Rainfall 28.55 ins.

00-00-1942 Bush Fire Brigade members, C D Munro, T Ferguson, C Shumack.

23-07-1942 Charles Peet Ferguson died at “Martins" where he had come to live to get away from Sydney because of the war and also he wanted to come home to die, he was born at “Warrie" 05-07-1864.

00-07-1942 A new Keortz wool press cost D T Ferguson & D L Ferguson £37-0-0 and that year pressed for D T Ferguson 34, W J Bennett 7, A Hyde 19 bales.

05-09-1912 Rec trustees meeting held at Rec Ground. Present, E J Bennett, C D Munro, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. It was agreed C D Munro, had fulfilled his obligation. Grass rights were granted to D L Ferguson for £1 -0-0

00-00-1942 Wool Prices, AAAA W 20 1/2d, AAA W 19 3/4d, AAA E 21 1 1/2d, BKN 15d, BLS 13 1/2d, LKS 7 3/4d.

1943 Bathurst Rainfall 27.91 ins.

22-04-1943 Ewen McColl Ferguson died.

14-04-1943 D L Ferguson appointed Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade Vice Captain, E E Smith Captain

17-07-1943 Barbara Theobald born (Charlie , Elma)

12-08-1943 D L Ferguson appointed Presiding Officer for election, E J Bennett Poll Clerk. Polling Booth to be at D L Fergusons.

1944 Bathurst Rainfall 10.55 ins.

00-00-1944 Aiden Thomas Shumack died.

00-00-1944 On the day that Aiden Shumack died Clive Munro, Duncan Ferguson and his wife Win were fixing the fence on the "Oakey" paddock (now Nature Reserve) where it joined the Forestry , it had been damaged by fire. When news of Aidens death arrived at Munros, Len Munro rode out to the head of the Oakey following their tracks to let Clive and the others know of Aidens death. This was no easy task considering the distance and terrain he had to follow the tracks. He also arrived just in time as he and Clive left for home a very heavy thunder storm broke and obliterated all the tracks.

28-02-1944 D L Ferguson sold his "Tobins Oakey" block to Sam Harrison for £1224-1-4.

00-04-1944 P P board wrote to Blaxland Shire asking them to destroy rabbits on the roadside at Palmers Oakey.

06-04-1944 F J Thompson started work for D T Ferguson age 17 years award wage 22/- per week plus keep, tax 2/- .

03-05-1944 F J Thompson’s wages went to 28/- per week tax 3/-

10-05-1944 D L Ferguson almost lost his petrol allowance. He had gone to Sydney to get his mother in his utility, while having lunch at Katoomba on the way home he was asked by Police to show his I D papers, as he was too far from home in the utility he was reported.

14-06-1944 James Dyson died.

Master Bevel shearing combs 5/3 ea. Cutmaster Cutters 1s 6d ea. Cooper EB Handpiece £6-3-6

D L Ferguson received a very stern warning re his trip to Sydney. The petrol allowance was for farm use and to go to Volunteer Defence Corps training each week.

Charlie Hannan and his "wife" Blondie” rented Martins cottage from D Ferguson for 6/- per week. Charlie worked for Warrie for a while. When he thought Blondie was "fooling around" with Eric Maloney when Eric was shearing across the creek at Shumacks "Evelorna" , Charlie took Blondie’s pet dog and hung it in the hay shed at Martins.

Frank Theobald started work for D L Ferguson , wages £2-15-00 per week.

25-09-1944 to the 21-11-1944 Over this period C D Munro worked 7 days for D L Ferguson mustering and shearing.

02-10-1944 to the 08-11-1944 Over this period L P Munro worked 20 and 1/2 days for D L Ferguson , wages were £20-10-00 ie £1 per day less tax of 1/6 in the £.

1945 Bathurst Rainfall 24.39 ins.

25-01-1945 John Thomas Ferguson born (Tom & Phyllis)

24-02-1945 to the 11-03-1945 Clive Munro and Ned Bennett put up fence for D Ferguson , Martins front paddock joining road about 25 chains (500m). Clive was paid £12 and Ned £9 ie £1 per day.

09-07-1945 R R Lugton from Bibbys Road, Bonnyrigg and N L Martin from 222 River Road Carramar, came to Palmers Oakey to get away from Sydney stayed in "Martins" cottage on D Fergusons. He gave them work cutting briars @ £1 per day.

25-07-1945 D L Ferguson made application for a subsidised school at Palmers Oakey, change of mind by Mrs E J Bennett about sending her children stopped school going ahead.

00-00-1945 Blaxland Shire rate 3 1/2d in £. Rates on 1400 acres £9-7-0.

PALMERS OAKEY CRICKET CLUB MEMBERS 1945

D C Munro	5-0
D T Ferguson	5-0
S C McKinnon	5-0
C Theobald	5-0
J Theobald	5-0
A Smith	5-0
E E Smith	5-0
E M Smith	5-0
E J Bannett	5-0
C Hannan	5-0
E Ezzy	5-0
J Nairn	5-0
F Theobald	5-0
A T Hyde	5-0
P Elliott	5-0
D L Ferguson	5-0
S Wilkinson	5-0
Warrie & Co	5-0
J Elbourn	5-0
	£4-15-0 cash on hand at end of season 2/6

20-10-1945 Jack Theobald , Duncan, Win and Colin Ferguson mustering Mt Horrible, they found 175 sheep including 23 doubles and 8 bells

21-10-1945 Stan McKinnon, Clive and Len Munro, Jack and Frank Theobald, Duncan Ferguson mustering Mt Horrible , found 45 sheep including 1 double and 4 bells.

1946 Bathurst Rainfall 19.52 ins.

Palmers Oakey Rainfall 12 months ended 30-06-1946 23.03 ins.

00-00-1946 Broadcast Listeners Licence Fee £1 -0-0

00-00-1946 Wool prices AAAW 21 d, AAW 18 1/2d, 13KN 16d, PCS 10 314d, BLS 12 3/4d.

00-11-1946 Shearers at “Warrie" S Leonard, G Whittaker, T King, B Williams, C Bowman.

00-11-1946 D T Ferguson sheep shorn 1276.

29-05-1946 Purchased from P M G. by Palmers Oakey phone group

1000 Swan neck spindles 3/4in with insulators	£110-12-6
Freight Sydney to Bathurst	7-12-8
4265 Ibs No 10 GI wire	55-10-3
	£173-15-5

31-08-1946 Rec Trustees meeting at Rec Ground, all five trustees present. Grass rights were granted to D L Ferguson for 15/-. The matter of the removal of two pine trees from the cricket ground was also discussed and a motion was carried that one tree be removed and one to remain . It was also decided that after playing of 3 cricket matches the position be reviewed, namely if the remaining tree be removed or not. The trustees in favour of removing one tree and leaving one were, S Wilkinson, C Munro, D L Ferguson. Those in favour of removing both trees were D T Ferguson and E J Bennett.

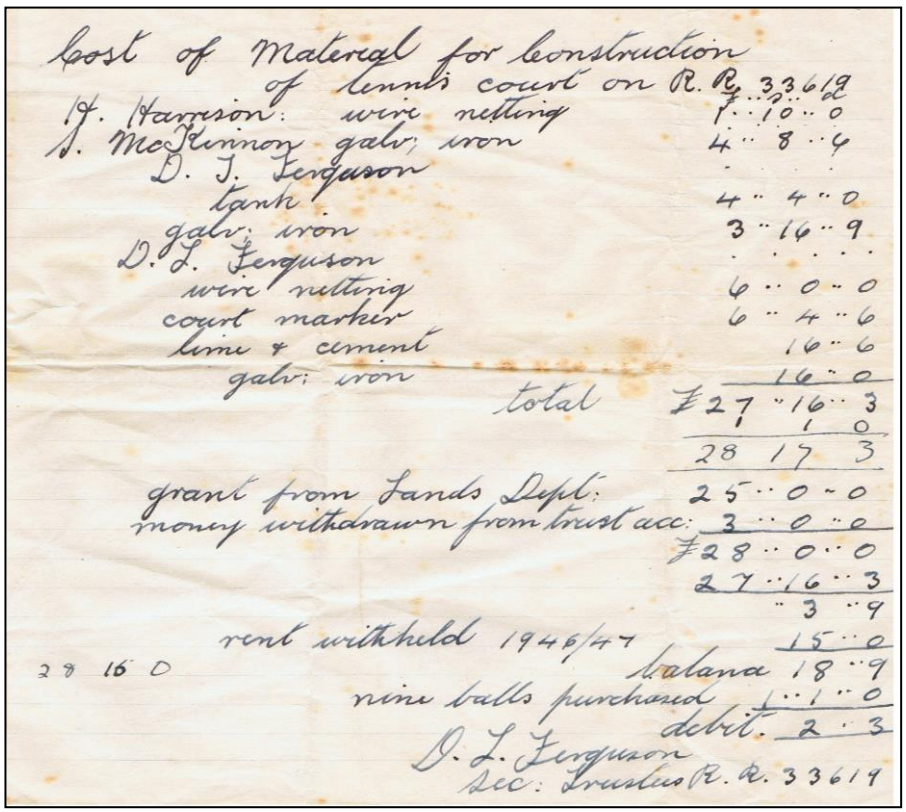
Ad. In Lithgow paper. ’WANTED Offer for Gold Sluicing Plant by Thompson Melbourne working on Upper Turon River with Leases Full particulars of prospects and reasons for selling will be given to prospective buyers Apply on Leases or Capertee P O David Welsh. This plant was on the other side of the Turon from Hydes house.

PALMERS OAKEY CRICKET CLUB 1946

Claude Sinclair	1-0-0
D T Ferguson	1-0-0
Sam Harrison	1-0-0
D L Ferguson	1-0-0
J Theobald	1-0-0
E M Smith	1-0-0
F Theobald	1-0-0
S Wilkinson	1-0-0
T J Grabham	1-0-0
C Theobald	1-0-0
J Elbourn	1-0-0
S C McKinnon	1-0-0
E Maloney	1-0-0
E E Smith	1-0-0
A Smith	1-0-0
	£15-0-0

Cash on hand 26-10-46 £2-5-3

The locals built a concrete cricket pitch (still there) and several matches were played on it. On one occasion the Palmers Oakey team played Sofala at Sofala. At that time Sofala had some wonderful players and were at the top of the ladder. They went into bat first, and took the boys from up the river too cheap, they thought their openers would bat all day, so most of them went down to the pub. What they did not know , the Oakey had some really good bowlers, Eric Maloney, fast and accurate, Jack Elbourn, slow spinner, and accurate. Soon they had to send for more batsmen, then some more and soon there were no more.
Some of the Oakey batsmen could swing an axe all day, so when their willow met the ball it went a long way. Others you could not bowl out with a machine gun got a few runs. All this chasing leather on a hot day, a few undigested beers and no help from unhappy supporters saw Sofala grind to a halt. The Oakey won the game and better still an important cup. Sofala were not happy and when the return match for their "stolen" cup was held at the Palmers Oakey ground they came armed to the teeth, only the top players, a lot of supporters and every bottle the pub could supply. It was a day we remembered, but did not talk about.


Cost of Material for construction of tennis court on R. R. 33619
J. Harrison: wire netting £1..10..0
J. McKinnon galv: iron 4..8..4
D. J. Ferguson
tank 4..4..0
galv: iron 3..16..9
D. L. Ferguson
wire netting 6..0..0
court marker 6..4..6
lime & cement 16..6
galv: iron 16..0
total £27..16..3
1..1..0
28 17 3
grant from Lands Dept: 25..0..0
money withdrawn from trust acc: 3..0..0
£28..0..0
27..16..3
..3..9
rent withheld 1946/47 15..0
28 16 0 balance 18..9
nine balls purchased 1..1..0
debit. 2..3
D. L. Ferguson
Sec: Trustees R. R. 33619

1947 Bathurst Rainfall 29.29 ins.

07-03-1947 P M G wrote to residents that Pratley Bros of Peel had complained that Palmers Oakey men had entered their property to erect a phone line without permission .
Early in 1947 he had given D T Ferguson a permission note saying:- "I hereby give permission to Mr D T Ferguson & parties to erect a telephone line through my property subject to the wires being erected on the existing poles & to no trees being cut down without my knowledge". The problem with the "permission" was Mr. A Pratley had not signed it. The reference to the "existing poles" was Thompson Bros telephone line that ran through his property.

09-04-1947 P M G wrote to D T Ferguson asking what had been done re their letter of 07-03-1947. D T Ferguson had sent a form to Mr Pratley seeking permission.

16-04-1947 Mr A Pratley replied to D T Fergusons letter saying " I have no intention of giving permission to allow your party telephone line No 907 Bathurst to pass through my property and I am returning the form you enclosed. With regard to coming to see me concerning the matter, it will be of no use , as I will not alter my decision under any consideration whatsoever. I therefore ask you to remove the wire from my property at your earliest convenience to save further trouble. You will have to make other arrangements for a telephone line."

17-04-1947 P M G wrote to D T Ferguson advising that Mr A Pratley would not allow the telephone to go through his property.

28-04-1947 Mr. A J Thompson of "Warrie" wrote to Mr Ferguson saying he had written to Mr A Pratley asking him to reconsider his decision, pointing out he was depriving the people of Palmers Oakey of a much needed telephone service.

12-05-1947 Mr A J Thompson again wrote to Mr Ferguson saying he had received an unfavourable reply from Mr Pratley in closing said "I am sorry that I have been so unsuccessful, I wrote him what I considered was a reasonable and civil letter. I am afraid there is not much hope of gaining his consent.

00-07-1947 D T Ferguson made an approach to Mr J B Chifley Prime Minister re the telephone problem.

15-07-1947 D T & D L Ferguson received a letter from their solicitors advising that Mr Pratley would not agree to a conference.

17-07-1947 Mr J B Chifley P M made personal representation to the P M G re D T Fergusons letter.

21-07-1947 Mr J B Chifley P M wrote to Mr Ferguson enclosing a letter from " P M G saying they would "cause inquiries to be made".

12-08-1947	D L Ferguson wrote to Mr G A Kelly MLA for Bathurst asking him to contact the Director of Emergency Road Transport to see what had happened to his application for a 51 A Ford Utility.
22-09-1947	Mr J B Chifley P M wrote to Mr Ferguson enclosing a long letter from the P M G concluding that " the line be transferred to the public road".
23-11-1947	Tennis
29-11-1947	Tennis
03-12-1947	Locals started to a 6- party phone line to Bathurst, this was to go from S Wilkinsons to Possum Pinch about a 1/2 mile on the Palmers Oakey side of the Winburndale River, total distance of just under 30 miles.

PALMERS OAKEY CRICKET CLUB 1947

C Sinclair	1-0-0
S Harrison	1-6-0
S Wilkinson	1-6-0
J Theobald	1-6-0
C Theobald	4-0 for bat only
F Theobald	1-6-0
D L Ferguson	1-6-0
W Elbourn	1-2-0
S C McKinnon	4-0 done work paid for bat
T J Grabham	1-6-0
D T Ferguson	1-6-0
E M Smith	1-2-0
A Smith	1-2-0
E E Smith	1-2-0
T Single	1-2-0
R T Howe	1-6-0
K Maloney	1-0-0
	£18-6-0
	b/t fwd 2-5-3
	£20-11-3

28 bags cement	7-0-0	
cartage on cement	1-0-0	
timber 3xl	140 18-6	
cartage gravel 15yds	2-10-0	
rent cement mixer	1-0-0	
Les McKinnon wages	3-0-0	
	15-8-6	
1 pair pads	1-15-0	
3 balls	1-14-0	
cover for pitch	3-10-0	
	£21-7-6	11-9-1947 in debt £1 -6-3

1948 Bathurst Rainfall 24.07 ins.
Palmers Oakey Rainfall to 30-06-1948 43.42 ins.

1948 BUSH FIRE BRIGADE MEMBERS

T Ferguson	£1-0-0
C Shumack	2-10-0
D Ferguson	1-0-0
F Theolbald	10-0
C Munro	10-0
Est E Ferguson	10-0
J Elbourn	10-0

25-02-1948	D L Ferguson bought Ford utility for £675-0-0
03-03-1948	Jean McKinnon and Win Ferguson led draft horse "Bluey" to Sofala to his new owner.
08-03-1948	D L Ferguson bought spring cart from R Howe for £4-2-0
25-03-1948	D L Ferguson bought a Koola safe for £16-5-6
12-04-1948	Telephone installed at "Nebo"
13-04-1948	Telephone installed at "Evelorna" & "Sunnyside"
15-04-1948	Telephone installed at "Oaks" & 'Kelvin"
13-07-1948	Elizabeth (Liz) Ferguson died (nee McKinnon)
09-08-1948	D T Ferguson bought an ex-army Jeep TT-108 from J Saunders for £225-0-0
29-08-1948	Rec Trustees meeting held. Present C D Munro, E J Bennett, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. Grass rights were granted to D L Ferguson and he was requested to clean out the dam and burn timber as well as rent of 15/-.
29-08-1948	Public meeting held at Rec ground to form a new tennis dub. Moved D T Ferguson seconded E E Smith that D L Ferguson be secretary. Moved E E Smith seconded A B Thompson D T Ferguson be dep. sec.. Arranged that S McKinnon carry on collecting for tennis balls @ 1/- per month. Moved W Bennett that secretary be informed by players if they will be able to play matches a week prior to such matches.
30-08-1948	Tennis Club secretary wrote to Dark Corner secretary arranging a match at Palmers Oakey on 12-09-48

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members.

Mrs D T Ferguson, Miss K Ferguson, Mrs D L Ferguson, Mrs W J Bennett, Mrs E J Bennett, Mrs S Wilkinson Mrs C D Munro, Mrs E E Smith, Miss R Ferguson, S Wilkinson, E E Smith, D L Ferguson, C D Munro A B Thompson, E J Bennett, F H Theobald, W J Bennett, S McKinnon, D T Ferguson, L Grabham J Farmer, C Theobald

05-09-1948 An informal meeting of the Tennis Club was held. Proposed by W Bennett that members pay for balls each 3 months @ 1 /- per month, the majority agreed to this. S McKinnon to collect money and purchase balls.

07-09-1948 Tennis Club sec wrote to Wattle Flat re, a match. Reply said they would let him know. Sec also wrote to Dark Corner accepting a match on 26-09-48

12-09-1948 Tennis match at Palmers Oakey, P 0 v Dark Corner. Dark Corner won by 32 games, players for P 0 were Mrs R Bennett, Miss Kit Ferguson, D T Ferguson (capt), D L Ferguson, W J Bennett, F Theobald , return match to be at Dark Corner on 3-10-48.

29-11-1948 Frances June Munro born. (Clive & June)

00-11-1948 D L Ferguson bought 5 HP Howard rotary hoe for £182-5-0.

PALMERS OAKEY CRICKET CLUB 1948

S Harrison	10-0
L Grabham	10-0
S McKinnon	
F Theobald	10-0
J Theobald	10-0
D Ferguson	10-0
S Wilkinson	10-0
T Ferguson	10-0
C Ferguson	5-0
J Elbourn	10-0
	£4-5-0

1949 Bathurst Rainfall 27.47 ins.

Palmers Oakey Rainfall for 12 mts to 30-06-1949 31.71 ins.

16-01-1949 Tennis match against Dark Corner. Palmers Oakey players were Mrs E J Bennett, Mrs E E Smith, Miss K Ferguson, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson, W J Bennett, J Farmer.

22-01-1949 Tennis match against Capertee. Palmers Oakey players ware Mrs S Wilkinson, Miss P Thompson, S McKinnon, L Grabham, B Thompson, F H Theobald

08-06-1949 SEARCH FOR CANADIAN SYDNEY, Mon: Striking NSW miners today joined other civilians and police in a search for Jack Turnbull, a 60-years-old man reported missing at Dark Corner, near Lithgow. Turnbull, a Canadian and a full military pensioner, did not collect his last pension issue. Police believe he has been missing for 16 days from his camp This morning 30 miners and , civilians began to search the mountains around Portland, Sunny Corner, Dark Corner, and Daylight Creek. The police do not expect to find Turnbull alive.SMH

07-07-1949 D T Ferguson received tennis club books and cash (£9-9-0) from D L Ferguson due to his ill health .

31-07-1949 Tennis match against Dark Corner, players ware Mrs D T Ferguson, Mrs S Wilkinson, C D Munro, C Theobald, L J Grabham, D T Ferguson. Dark Corner won by 21 games.

04-09-1949 Tennis Club meeting held for forming new club. Moved D L Ferguson that D T Ferguson be secretary, seconded John Potter. It was moved that a box be put in shed for marker and balls.

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members.

Jack Potter, John Potter, W Tullie, F Theobald, C Theobald, D L Ferguson, J Theobald, K Theobald, Mrs D L Ferguson Mrs D T Ferguson, D T Ferguson, Mrs C D Munro, C D Munro, L J Grabham , Miss K Ferguson, E M Smith, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson

25-09-1949 Tennis match against Wattle Flat cancelled due to rain.

09-10-1949 Tennis match at Peel cancelled to rain.

10-10-1949 Tennis match against Wattle Flat at Palmers Oakey cancelled, Wattle Flat had no transport.

23-10-1949 Tennis match Peel v Palmers Oakey at Palmers Oakey whose players were Rube Bennett, Kit Ferguson, Josie Wilkinson, J Theobald, K Theobald, C Munro, S Wilkinson. Peel 79, Palmers Oakey 80.

30-10-1949 Tennis match at Dark Corner, Palmers Oakey won by 13 games, players being J Martin, Edna Fuller, Kit Ferguson, C Munro, C Theobald, F Theobald, K Theobald, L Grabham, D T Ferguson.

06-11-1949 Tennis match at Sunny Corner, Palmers Oakey lost by 7 games, players being June Munro, Rube Bennett, Kit Ferguson, D T Ferguson, F Theobald, C Munro, C Theobald.

18-11-1949 Tennis match at Dark Corner, Palmers Oakey lost by 32 games, players being, Phyllis Ferguson, Kit Ferguson, C Theobald, J Theobald, K Theobald, F Theobald, D Ferguson, L Grabham, T Ferguson.

20-11-01949 Tennis match at Peel, Palmers Oakey lost by 14 games, players being, Flo Harrison, Josie Wilkinson, Kit Ferguson, K Theobald, Sam Harrison, S Wilkinson, C Theobald, J Theobald, F Theobald,

27-11-1949 Tennis at Wattle Flat called off too wet.

04-12-1949 Tennis at Palmers Oakey against Peel called off too wet.

11-12-1949 Tennis at Palmers Oakey against Wattle Flat called off.

18-12-1949 Tennis at Bathurst, Palmers Oakey players Flo Harrison, Phyllis Ferguson, D Ferguson, C Munro, J Theobald, C Theobald.

1949 Palmers Oakey bush fire brigade received subs from.

Thompson Bros	£4-10-0
L Seaman	10-0
S Harrison	10-0
S Wilkinson	10-0
B A Brown	1-10-0

There were four properties that shore their sheep at "Oaks" shed in 1949 , they were

Est. E M Ferguson, D Ferguson, C Munro and Mrs 0 Theobald.

The following are those that worked in the shed and their wages.

Shedhands

Ewen Smith @ 32/-

Estate E M Ferguson	11-4-00
D Ferguson 1	1-4-00
C Munro	5-12-00
O Theobald	2-8-00
Total	**30-8-00**

Kevin Theobald @ 18/-

Estate E M Ferguson	1-16-00
D Ferguson	5- 8-00
C Munro	3-3-00
O Theobald	1- 7-00
Total	**11-14-00**

Clive Munro @ 36/-

Estate E M Ferguson	10-16-00
D Ferguson	12-12-00
O Theobald	18-00
less tobacco	13-11
Total	**25-12-1**

Duncan Ferguson @ 36/-

for Estate E M Ferguson	10-16-00
C Munro	4-10-00
O Theobald	2-14-00
Total	**18-00-00**

Frank Theobald @ 32/- 9-12-00

D Ferguson	12-16-00
C Munro	4-00-00
less tax	8-00
less tobacco	13-11
Total	**25-6-1**

Shearers.

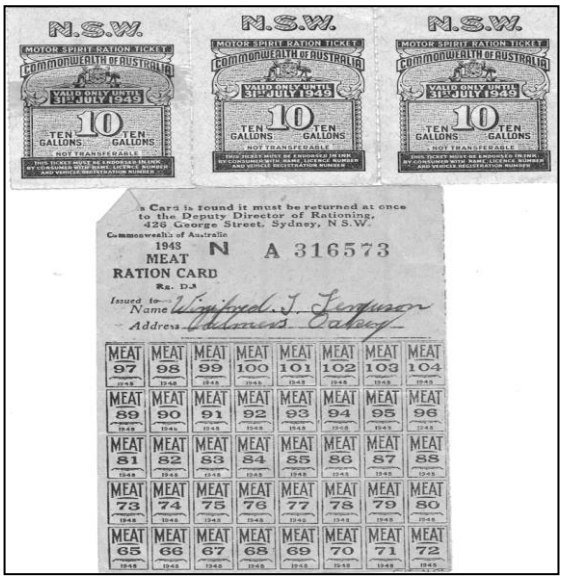
Charlie Theobald @ 80/- per100

Estate E M Ferguson	511	20- 9-00
D Ferguson	654	26- 2- 9
C Munro	283	11-6-00
less tobacco		13-11
Total		**57-3-10**

Jack Theobald @ 70/- per 100

Estate E M Ferguson	231	7- 9- 1
D Ferguson	424	14-16-10
C Munro	156	5- 9- 2
less tax 7/6 plus 4 days		5- 0- 0
		32-7-7
less 1 tennis racquet		3-10- 0
pair boots		15-0
tobacco		13-11

Total **27-8-8**



RATION CUPONS

1950 Bathurst Rainfall 51.49 ins.
Palmers Oakey Rainfall 60.00 ins.

00-00-1950 The road-bridge and the foot-bridge near "Nebo" washed away in record floods. Footbridge broke up but the bulk of the road-bridge landed at Golden Point in C Munros
00-00-1950 P P Board rates large stock 6d , sheep 3/4d .Broadcast listeners licence £1 -0-0
00-01-1950 K Theobald on workers comp. for 4 1/2 days @ £3-15-0 per week.
03-02-1950 Stan & Jean McKinnon left Palmers Oakey and went to Evans Plains to work for the Ross family.
08-02-1950 D L Ferguson & C D Munro sent 545 sheep to Bathurst saleyards, C Munro droving.
16-04-1950 Thompson Bros sent 50 mixed cattle to Bathurst sales , George Piper droving.
01-05-1950 D T Ferguson sold his Jeep to A Hansard for £300-0-0.
21-05-1950 Tennis match.
23-05-1950 C Theobald drove 200 wethers to Capertee for Est E Ferguson and loaded onto rail to go to Homebush.
31-05-1950 Local men scrubbing phone line over Mt Horrible.
00-06-1950 P M G installed a transformer on the phone line at a cost of 10/- per year divided amongst all parties.
09-06-1950 D L Ferguson made a Justice of the Peace.
17-06-1950 Election day.
21-06-1950 D L Ferguson bought an electric lighting plant for £307-2-10.
05-07-1950 Locals working on road fixing bogs in front of "Kelvin".
06-07-1950 Locals working on roads fixing bogs along top of Mt Horrible.
31-07-1950 Locals working on roads fixing bogs in front of "Kelvin" and floating bridge timber down the creek to Shumacks causeway and stockpiling it. (The road-bridge across the creek at "Nebo" was washed away earlier in the year and had come to rest in C Munros near Golden Point, and the locals salvaged what they could of the excellent timber)
01-08-1950 The road down the Gulf to Sofala washed out, so D L Ferguson took Ned Bennett (mailman Sofala -- P 0) to Sofala via Mt Horrible to get the mail.
02-08-1950 Locals working on road fixing bogs.
04-08-1950 D L Ferguson bought Ford Blitz from Kevin Maloney for £230-0-0
06-08-1950 Bob Franks died.
08-08-1950 Bob Franks funeral.
14-08-1950 Locals working on roads fixing bogs.
25-08-1950 Locals working on roads fixing bogs.
27-08-1950 Tennis.
28-08-1950 Locals working on roads fixing bogs.
29-08-1950 Locals working on roads fixing bogs.
30-08-1950 Locals working on roads fixing bogs.
31-08-1950 Locals working on roads fixing bogs.
01-09-1950 Locals working on roads fixing bogs.
03-09-1950 Tennis.
11-09-1950 Ted Bennett (Dark Corner) died.
24-09-1950 Tennis.
08-10-1950 Tennis.
02-11-1950 Search For Boys Solves 1949. Mystery LITHGOW, Wednesday.-Ron Pierce, a miner helping a 1,000-man search to day for two missing boys, solved the mystery of Jack Turnbull, 60, a recluse who vanished from Dark Corner more than a year ago. Pierce, operating miles into scrub country with an advance party looking for John Ward, 8, and Albert Spiers, 7, missing since Monday, came upon Turnbull's skeleton at Williwa Creek, not far from Dark Corner. Turnbull, a pensioner, vanished without leaving a trace on June l8, 1949. .Police used horses to comb the wild country for him, directing 100 searchers for three weeks. Turnbull's remains were taken to Portland for official identification.
In to-day's hunt for the missing boys, searchers dragged a hot water dam and probed every waterhole in the district with long poles. The bloodhound Vengeance continued to assist the 1,000 weary searchers. Sergeant McGovern described the big area searched as "real tiger country." He said the men were doing a wonderful job. With practically all Mudgee line mining at a standstill because of the search, coal production on the western field fell by half to- day. The men have already lost huge sums in wages. SMH
04-11-1950 Ruth Farguson married A Hansard.
12-11-1950 Tennis.
13-11-1950 Rabbit Inspector Jack Gordon around area.
25-11-1950 D T Ferguson sent 84 mixed cattle to Bathurst, Vince Morris droving.
18-12-1950 Thompson Bros sent 3060 wethers to Lowther via Dark Corner and Rydal, Vince Morris droving.

1951 Bathurst Rainfall 24.72 ins.
Palmers Oakey Rainfall 22.39 ins.

00-00-1951 P P Board rates , large stock 7d, sheep 7/8d.
00-00-1951 New Jobu chainsaw cost £168-10-0.
01-01-1951 Tennis.
02-01-1951 D T Ferguson sent 517 sheep to Bathurst , George Piper droving
05-01-1951 Thompson Bros sent 1400 wethers to Homebush, Brian Thompson drove them via Turon Gully to load on rail at Capertee
07-01-1951 Tennis.
26-02-1951 D L Ferguson bought new TEA Ferguson tractor, Tractor £580-0-0 , 2 Furrow plough 69-0-0, Grader blade 69-0-0, Belt pulley 19-0-0,Total 737-0-0
27-02-1951 Les Grabham while mustering sheep for D T Ferguson about 100 yards east of "Nebo" woolshed suffered a heart: attack and fell from his horse and died. When he did not return for lunch Tom and Duncan Ferguson went looking for him , when they found him he was laying along side a meat ants nest and was covered in ants. Tom and Duncan moved him away from the ants and contacted the police, when the police arrived they said the body should not have been moved. This led to a near punch-up , the police saying the Fergusons could get into trouble for moving the body and the Fergusons saying they would not let the ants eat him at any price and intimating they (the police) would end up on the ant nest. The police then threw the body in the back of their ute (for which they received more abuse from the two irate brothers who thought the world of Les) and returned to Bathurst.

28-02-1951 Les Grabhams funeral at Dark Corner.
18-03-1951 Tennis
25-03-1951 Tennis
03-04-1951 Tennis
16-04-1951 D L Ferguson bought a Land Rover from C Munro for £800-0-0
15-05-1951 D T Ferguson drove 238 of his sheep from Palmers Oakey to his property at Duramana.
02-06-1951 Jack Theobald married Marjorie Jean Fenton at Hobbys Yards
19-06-1951 Blaxland Shire wrote to 7 residents stating capital cost of Electricity would be £228-0-0 each.
12-07-1951 Special recreation trustees meeting held at night at Martins Cottage . Present D T Ferguson, E J Bennett, S Wilkinson, D L Ferguson, the meeting was held to discuss the spending of the amount of £25-0-0 granted by the Minister of Lands to be spent on repairs and improvements to the recreation reserve. It was decided to erect a new lavatory if cost not too high limit £18-0-0. D L Ferguson to interview C Munro on the matter, also decided if funds sufficient to put new doors on the shelter shed. Matter to be reviewed later.
29-08-1951 F Theobald took 36 sheep to Bathurst sale yards by motor lorry for D L Ferguson. (This may have been the first truck load of stock to be moved out of the valley)
16-10-1951 D T Ferguson purchased "Dingers" at Duramana for £4497-1 -9
04-11-1951 C Munro sold "Knights Gully" to F Theobald but the Dep of Lands said they would not give their consent to the sale because it would not give both an adequate area for home maintenance. This took some time to resolve.
13-11-1951 Est E Ferguson sent 210 sheep to Capertee rail, C Theobald droving.
15-11-1951 Bush fire meeting held at D L Fergusons to elect office bearers. President. C Shumack, Vice President. D L Ferguson, Captain. D L Ferguson, Vice Captains. Les Seaman, Ned Bennett, C Munro, Sam Harrison, S Wilkinson. Equipment to be moved from T Fergusons to D L Fergusons. Decided no further levy needed. Sec to write to Council to see if we were to get any equipment , also inquire re map of boundaries
17-12-1951 B Thompson drove 942 wethers and 60 cattle via Turon Gully to Capertee rail.

1952

1952 Cost of farm inputs.

Register Land Rover	10-5-0
Recaps for Land Rover	8-0
Superphosphate	18-0-0 per ton
1000 steel posts	250-0-0
Wire netting	7-0-0 per coil
Lucerne hay	32-0-0 per ton
245-T spray	8-2-6 per gallon
P P Board rates	8d large stock 1d sheep
Blaxland Shire rate	5 ½ d in pound 1150 acres £13-15-2
Av. price of stock.	Sheep 1-4-0
	Cattle 13-7-6

12-01-1952 F Theobald moved Bob Howe's stock, 4 sheep and 1 calf to Greshamstown.
21-01-1952 B Thompson drove 1108 wethers to Capertee via Turon Gully
25-01-1952 Ned Bennett and Eric Maloney were riding up the road near the Capertee turnoff when they saw a man camped under the willows at "Jacobs", he was wearing very old and dirty clothes, his appearance was unkempt and he was eating what appeared to be a raw beef bone. Police were called and a search was made but as it was late and darkness fell and he was not found.
26-01-1952 Search resumed for man and he was found under Sugarloaf bridge on the Bathurst road about 7 miles from where Ned and Eric saw him. All he had in his possession was one half eaten rabbit, a rabbit trap, a piece of broken glass (for skinning rabbits) and the few clothes he was wearing.He was Arthur Cheevers 32 years old, released from Jail the previous week. After the police apprehended him they took him to the Fergusons for a meal. And when he had finished a large meal of cold meat and salad Constable Hill asked him "how was that meal?', he replied, "not as good as the bush". Mrs Ferguson was not amused. Later he was sentenced to one months hard labour and a medical examination.
31-01-1952 MAN REFUSED TO ACCEPT ANY JOB; SENT TO JAIL (Bathurst Advocate)
Bathurst.-A man who said he had not worked since 1946 told Mr. Tunchon, S.M., at Bathurst Court, that he would not accept a job if he could get one. Police charged the man. Arthur Cheerers (32), with vagrancy.
When police arrested Cheevers on Sunday at Palmer's Oakey, 32 miles from Bathurst, he was eating raw rabbits.
Sergeant D. A. Curtis said Cheevers told him that because police had taken his job away he did not intend to work.
When Mr. Tunchon asked him what he meant, Cheevers said Victorian police had taken his A grade motor mechanic's certificate.
Mr. Tunchon asked Cheevers whether he would take a job if he could get one. "No thanks," . replied Cheevers.
Mr. Tunchon sentenced Cheevers to a month's hard labor. He recommended a medical examination of Cheevers.
10-02-1952 Tennis
11-02-1952 B Thompson drove 510 wethers and 70 cattle via Turon Gully to Capertee rail.
17-02-1952 Tennis at Palmers Oakey against Bathurst.
26-02-1952 Rabbit Inspector Jack Gordon inspecting properties.
00-03-1952 D T Ferguson sold "Spencers" to S Wilkinson for £3266-17-0
02-03-1952 Tennis
09-03-1952 Tennis at Bathurst
17-03-1952 D L Ferguson drove 40 cattle to Bathurst sale yards , picked-up Tobins cattle at Limekilns.
26-03-1952 F Theobald took 34 sheep to Bathurst for C Munro.
30-03-1952 Tennis at Palmers Oakey against Bathurst.
31-03-1952 D T Ferguson drove 20 cattle to Bathurst sale yards.
13-04-1952 Tennis
23-04-1952 C Ferguson rode horses to Bathurst to compete in the show.
29--04-1952 B Thompson drove 1730 wethers to Lowther via Meadow Flat.
17-05-1952 F Theobald married Barbara Papworth at Springwood.

17-06-1952 Flood.
18-06-1952 D L Ferguson drove 782 wethers to Limekilns then T Fitzpatrick drove them to Bathurst.
04-07-1952 D L Ferguson trustee of Turon River Recreation Reserve in place of A Hyde retired.
04-07-1952 C Ferguson bought 51 hives of bees from Sam Harrison for £210-0--0
05-07-1952 Snowed.
18-07-1952 Flood
19--07-1952 Tennis
31-07-1952 Tennis
14-09-1952 Tennis
14-09-1952 W Ferguson drove 20 cattle from Limekilns to Palmers Oakey.
25-09-1952 Rec trustees meeting held , present D T Ferguson, C Munro, D L Ferguson. Moved D T Ferguson seconded C Munro secretary complete forms received from Lands Dep. and return same. Moved D T Ferguson seconded C Munro that meetings be held each 3 months. Next meeting approx. 18-12-52. Moved C Munro seconded T Ferguson that lavatory be erected north of tennis court near phone pole , also to erect as soon as possible. Moved D L Ferguson seconded C Munro that D T Ferguson be elected President. Moved T Ferguson seconded C Munro that D L Ferguson be elected Secretary. Cost of material for Recreation. 10 sheets 7 iron 15-0-0 4, sheets 6'iron 4-10-0, timber 3-7-0, 4 cement 1-19-4, 1 1/21bs spring head nails 3/8, Total, 25-00-0 , Purchased from W Hopper on 19-03-1952
03-11-1952 B Thompson turned his Fiat bulldozer over twice in the one day without injury.
30-11-1952 Tennis
07-12-1952 Tennis.

1953

Bathurst Rainfall 22.88 ins.

04-01-9153 Tennis
04-01-1953 D L Ferguson left for Bathurst sale yards with 18 head of cattle.
11-01-1953 Tennis
18-01-1953 Tennis
01-02-1953 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members
Mrs W Ferguson, D L Ferguson, C Ferguson, Mrs C Munro, C Munro, J Theobald, Mrs J Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson
23-02-1953 J Theobald drove 18 cattle from 'Kia-0ra" to Tom Burkes property at Bathurst.
19-03-1953 Recreation trustees meeting . Present E J Bennett, S Wilkinson, C Munro, D L Ferguson. It was decided to commence work on the weather shed on the 29-03-1953 , lavatory already being erected.
11-04-1953 Mrs Aiden Shumack buried in Bathurst.
11-04-1953 Thelma May Theobald, 3, of Palmer's Oakey, near Bathurst, was fatally injured in a road accident at Yetholme on Saturday. She died later in Bathurst District Hospital. She was in a truck driven by her father. Charles Theobald, 35, when it collided head-on with a car on the Great Western Highway. Thelma's sister, Barbara, aged 9, and her grandmother. Mrs. Ollie Theobald, 60, were slightly injured. Bathurst police are inquiring. She is buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery.(Bx Ad)
16-05-1953 Mrs A A Elbourn died at St Vincents HospitaJ Bathurst. She is buried at Mudgee cemetery.
18-06-1953 Rec trustees meeting held at D L Fergusons. Present E J Bennett, C Munro, S Wilkinson, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. The business discussed being spending a grant of £25-0-0 received from the Minister of Lands on 8-4-53. Moved C Munro seconded S Wilkinson that a chimney be erected in the weather shed, balance of money to be spent on the completion of the weather shed and the construction of a table also. A statement of cost of bricks and labour to be found out. Inside measurements of chimney to be , depth 2', width 3' to arch, total height 8''.
19-07-1953 Tennis
26-07-1953 Tennis
01-08-1953 Tennis at Bathurst
05-08-1953 Tennis at Bathurst
06-08-1953 D T Ferguson sold C Munro 1 bay baldy filly for £10-0-0
06-08-1953 Put gravel on tennis court
07-08-1953 Put gravel on tennis court
23-08-1953 Tennis and put new -Wagga" stove in shed, stove cost £4-15-0 and flue 19/9d.
30-08-1953 Tennis at Bathurst
Top Dressing Tennis Court.
05-09-1953 F Theobald & C Munro 2 loads
06-09-1953 F Theobald & C Munro 3 loads
06-09-1953 D L & C Ferguson 3 loads
07-09-1953 F Theobald, C Munro, C Ferguson 1 load
17-09-1953 Bush fire meeting at "Kelvin"
27-09-1953 Tennis
29-09-1953 Rec Trustees Annual meeting. Present D T Ferguson, C Munro, D L Ferguson. Moved C Munro seconded D L Ferguson that F Theobald be paid £20-0-0 for carting 40 yards of top dressing onto tennis court . Moved D Ferguson seconded C Munro that payment for stove and flue be passed. Moved T Ferguson seconded C Munro that grass rights be let to D L Ferguson for 15/-. Statement of receipts and payments were passed.

New improvements year ended 30-9-53	
Concrete floor in shed	10-0-0
Lavatory	22-0-0
Stove & fittings	5-15-0
Renewal of top-dressing	20-0-0

Attendance at Meetings C Munro 3, E J Bennett 2, S Wilkinson 2, T Ferguson 2, D L Ferguson 3
25-10-1953 Frank & Babs Theobald had a daughter Julie.
00-00-1953 Charles Phillip (Chicka) Lawson & Morrie Judge working for D T Ferguson.

1954 Bathurst Rainfall 25.30 ins.
Palmers Oakey Rainfall 29.57 ins.

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members for 1954

Mrs W Ferguson, Mrs C Munro, Mrs S Wilkinson, Mrs F Alexander, Mrs F Theobald, D L Ferguson, C Ferguson, S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson, F Alexander, C Munro, F Theobald , J Theobald

05-01-1954 Jack & Marj Theobald had a son David Henry.
30-01-1954 Win & Colin Ferguson rode their horses to Portland to compete in the show and returned that night.
07-02-1954 Tennis
12-02-1954 Queen Elizabeth 11 and Prince Phillip in Bathurst.
28-02-1954 Tennis
14-03-1954 Tennis
16-03-1954 D L Ferguson with Blaxland Shire Councillors looking at road from Capertee with the idea of going straight up the hill from the Junction and not following the Running Stream.
28-03-1954 Tennis
01-04-1954 Rec. Trustees meeting Present C Munro, S Wilkinson, E J Bennett, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. Sec. presented letter from Minister of Lands re grass rights, matter to be discussed at annual meeting.
04-04-1954 Tennis
18-04-1954 Tennis
24-04-1954 Working bee on weather shed at recreation ground.
25-04-1954 C Munro, D L Ferguson & C Ferguson finished the front of the weather shed.
09-05-1954 Tennis at Palmers Oakey against Bathurst.
16-05-1954 Tennis at Palmers Oakey against Reg Hardings team from Ilford.
23-05-1954 Tennis
29-05-1954 Election day, D Ferguson & E J Bennett Poll clerks
02-06-1954 Bowies from Bathurst with 2 bulldozers started clearing timber on "Nebo" , "Oaks" , "Kelvin".
03-06-1954 A special bush fire brigade meeting held at D L Fergusons to accept the resignation of A B Thompson as Sec Tres. Peter Manning was elected in his place. E J Bennett vice Captain. Present D Ferguson, A B Thompson, D F Thompson, C Munro, E J Bennett, F Theobald, J Theobald, P Manning. Cr Bal. £10-12-7
13-06-1954 Tennis
20-06-1954 Tennis
11-07-1954 Tennis against Bathurst.
18-07-1954 Tennis
25-07-1954 Tennis
01-08-1954 Tennis
02-08-1954 Snowed
07-08-1954 Mrs O.M Theobald left Palmers Oakey to live in Wallerawang.
08-08-1954 Tennis
15-08-1954 Tennis
22-08-1954 Tennis
29-08-1954 Tennis
31-08-1954 Roy Jaques and Bruce McLeay started putting extensions on to "Oaks" woolshed.
Annual bush fire brigade meeting at D Fergusons at 7-30 PM. C Shumack chairman, D L Ferguson Capt, E J Bennett Vice Captain, P Manning Sec-Treas., Lieutenants W Shumack, C Munro, S Wilkinson, P Manning, E Maloney. D L Ferguson & P Manning to go to Shire meetings. Levy of 10/- per 1000 sheep.
17-09-1954 Bushfire at Dib Frazers on Mt Horrible/Tobins Oakey.
19-09-1954 Tennis
26-09-1954 Tennis
30-09-1954 Annual Rec. trustees meeting held at D L Fergusons at 8 PM Thursday. Moved C Munro seconded E J Bennett that the grass rights be let to D L Ferguson for 3 years @ 15/- per year , the reason being that he was the only resident prepared to rent same. Moved S Wilkinson seconded D L Ferguson that a wing be constructed on to the lavatory, three sheets of iron being provided by S Wilkinson , to be constructed by voluntary labour. Present C Munro, E J Bennett, S Wilkinson, D L Ferguson. W T Ferguson to act as auditor. Report. During the year to 30-9-1954 two meetings were held, weather shed was completed, table, gal iron shutter, and door on front of shed. Work voluntary.

1-10-53 Bank	4-15-0	
1-10-53 Cash	1-10-0	
Grass rent	15-0	
Cr. Bal	7- 0-0	Payments during year nil.

03-10-1954 Tennis
05-10-1954 P P Board inspector looking for locusts that the wind had brought in from a plague in the west of the State
07-10-1954 Fergusons Spraying locusts with P P Boards boomspray
11-10-1954 Fergusons Spraying locusts with P P Boards boomspray
13-10-1954 Fergusons Spraying locusts with P P Boards boomspray
26-10-1954 Bush Fire brigade opened bank ac. at the Wales
31-10-1954 Tennis
13-11-1954 Referendum on hotel hours
12-12-1954 Tennis
19-12-1954 Tennis
00-00-1954 Vic McCarthy working for D T Ferguson

1955 Bathurst Rainfall 32.03 ins.
Palmers; Oakey Rainfall 43.08 ins.

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members for 1955

Mrs F Alexander, Mrs C Munro, Mrs F Theobald, Mrs J T Theobald, Mrs S Wilkinson, Mrs D Ferguson, Miss Joan Miller, Miss Pat Miller, F Alexander, F Theobald, C Ferguson, S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson, J Theobald, C Munro D L Ferguson

02-01-1955 Tennis

30-01-1955 Tennis
06-02-1955 Tennis
20-02-1955 Tennis
25-02-1955 Heavy rain. Dubbo flooded. D & C Ferguson took a truck load of hay out there.
20-03-1955 Tennis
27-03-1955 Tennis
03-04-1955 Tennis
10-04-1955 Tennis
11-04-1955 Noel Cooper, his wife, & D McMullen came to live at Martins and work on "Kelvin".
17-04-1955 Tennis
08-05-1955 Tennis
16-05-1955 Mary Ferguson (nee Thomas) wife of Charlie Ferguson Buried at Lithgow.
18-05-1955 Snow
21-05-1955 Sale of sheds etc at Bathurst army camp.
05-06-1955 Tennis
12-06-1955 Tennis
19-06-1955 Tennis
26-06-1955 Tennis
03-07-1955 Tennis at Dark Corner, D C won
10-07-1955 Tennis at Dark Corner PO won by 3 games.
16-07-1955 C Munro, D Ferguson, C Ferguson caught and shot a wild pig that wandered into the valley.
14-08-1955 Tennis
21-08-1955 Tennis
28-08-1955 Tennis
15-09-1955 Bush fire brigade meeting at D L Fergusons. Moved office bearers be the same as last year. Equipment on hand. 1 Power spray, 2 knapsacks, 2 x 44 gal drums, Present W Shumack, E J Bennett, F Theobald, J Theobald, T Ferguson, D Ferguson, S Wilkinson, C Munro, P Manning.
25-09-1955 Tennis
00-10-1955 Shearing expenses at 'Kelvin".

R Jaques contract shear 1243 sheep @ £10 per 100 =		124-6-0	
Frank Theobald	shedhand	25-4-0	
Colin Ferguson	shedhand	25-4-0	
A Cornford	pressing	21-12-0	
B Theobald	cooking	17-10-0	
A M Honeyman	cart 47 bales @ 10/-	23-10-0	237-6-0

09-10-1955 Tennis against Dark Corner D C won
16-10-1955 Tennis
25-10-1955 Flood
25-10-1955 Graham Hansard born.
26-10-1955 Meeting at Sunny Corner re Shire
13-11-1955 Tennis
11-12-1955 Tennis
31-12-1955 Kit Ferguson married Ray Gumbleton in Bathurst.
00-12-1955 Berry & Kerrs bread delivered by Jack Berry cost 1/4d per loaf

1956 Bathurst Rainfall 38.62 ins
Palmers Oakey Rainfall 51.56 ins.
08-01-1956 Tennis
14-01-1956 Tennis

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members

Mrs C Alexander, Mrs C Munro, Mrs B Hurst, Mrs W Ferguson, Mrs M Theobald, Miss J Miller, Miss P Miller, F Alexander, C Munro, B Hurst, D L Ferguson, C Ferguson, J Theobald

21-01-1956 Tennis at Bathurst
22-01-1956 Tennis at P 0
30-01-1956 Tennis at Bathurst, lost by 18 games
12-02-1956 Tennis
19-02-1956 Working bee on tennis court
26-02-1956 Tennis
26-02-1956 Telephone connected to C Munros
04-03-1956 Tennis at Palmers Oakey against Bathurst PO 110 13x. 90.
09-03-1956 Heavy rain , road cut at Diamond Creek
14-03-1956 Heavy rain , road cut again at Diamond Crook.
15-03-1956 Locals working on road at Diamond Creek
16-03-1956 Locals working on road at Diamond Creek
19-03-1956 Working on road at Theobalds crossing
20-03-1956 Working on road at Theobalds crossing
25-03-1956 Tennis
01-04-1956 Tennis
08-04-1956 Tennis
16-04-1956 Tom Ferguson taken to Bathurst Hospital with heart attack by C Ferguson from “Nebo” in 34 minutes
29-04-1956 Tennis
20-05-1956 Tennis
27-05-1956 Tennis and bonfire at night at recreation ground.

03-06-1956 Tennis
26-06-1956 Sheep buyers Clem Callagan, Frank Burke & Max Palmer around buying sheep at 50/- to 82s6d.
28-06-1956 Snow
11-07-1956 Snow
15-07-1956 Tennis
30-07-1956 Working on bogs on Sunny Corner road.
30-07-1956 Inspector Buck and Sgt. McDonald from Bathurst Police collecting sheep for orphanage appeal.
05-08-1956 Tennis
23-08-1956 Snow
26-08-1956 Tennis
29-08-1956 Bob McKinnon came to live at "Oaks"
16-09-1956 Tennis
24-10-1956 Bush fire meeting at D Fergusons Present T Ferguson, D Ferguson, D Thompson, C Munro, E Maloney, W Shumack, P Manning. Office bearers same as last year.
18-11-1956 Tennis
26-11-1956 E E (Barney) Smith died at Rockdale.
04-12-1956 Fire brigade pump demonstration at "Nebo" crossing. Present W Shumack, E J Bennett, D Ferguson, T Ferguson, C Ferguson, S Wilkinson, B Hurst, C Munro, D Thompson, P Manning.
09-12-1956 Tennis
00-00-1956 Registration for Land Rover £15-11 -0. Petrol £7-18-0 for 44 gallons. Average bale of wool £80-0-0
00-00-1956 Alf Cornford and Mike Flynn ringbarking Black Mt for Est E Ferguson.

1957 Bathurst Rainfall 16.29 ins
Palmers Oakey Rainfall 16.39 ins
14-01-1957 Jack Wilkinson passed away early morning. While locals where digging his grave word came that Tom Ferguson had passed away. Very hot day.
15-01-1957 Jack Wilkinson buried at Palmers Oakey.
15-01-1957 Tom Ferguson buried at Bathurst.
24-02-1957 Bush fire at back of Coolamigal Cr. on Bert Bennetts Lease , it was started by 3 men on horses that had rode through stealing sheep.
26-02-1957 Fire on Bennetts out.
09-03-1957 Car trial came through.
16-03-1957 Tennis
24-03-1957 Tennis
25-03-1957 Electricity being connected to houses in Palmers Oakey area.
31-03-1957 Tennis against Dark Corner, Palmers Oakey lost by 10 games.
04-04-1957 Electricity connected to "Nebo"
14-04-1957 Tennis
15-04-1957 Electricity connected to 'Kelvin" & "Oaks".
14-05-1957 Duncan Ferguson had a heart attack and taken to Bathurst hospital.
07-07-1957 Snow.
14-07-1957 Leo Palmers daughter Jennie wandered away from home on Mt Horrible and became lost, Police and locals searched for hours before she was found hiding under a log . (she was mentally retarded and was frightened of the noise and lights. Later drowned in a dam at Peel)
17-08-1957 Bill Hurst and Family left "Nebo".
31-08-1957 Bush fire at the head of Spencers Gully.
01-09-1957 Tennis match at Dark Corner.
01-10-1957 Bush fire at Sunny Corner, put out by snow that night.
09-10-1957 Telephone on to "Kimberley".
00-10-1957 Palmers Oakey bush fire brigade meeting . Present D Ferguson, C Shumack. W Shumack. C Munro. E Bennett. D Thompson. P Manning. Office bearers same as last year. It was agreed to pay John Martin £10-0-0 for dozing road to fire at Dark Corner. Moved brigade look at two way radios. Levy £1-0-0 per 1000 sheep.
20-10-1957 Tennis
27-10-1957 Tennis
03-11-1957 Tennis
19-11-1957 Bush fire at Sallys Flat
20-11-1957 Bush fire at Sallys Flat
22-11-1957 Fire at Sallys Flat got away.
23-11-1957 Fire at Sallys Flat.
24-11-1957 Fire at Sallys Flat.
25-11-1957 Fire at Sallys Flat.
26-11-1957 Fire at Sallys Flat.
01-12-1957 Bush fire on Harrisons at Clear Creek
20-12-1957 Bush fire on Williams at Clear Creek
21-12-1957 Bush fire on Williams at Clear Creek
22-12-1957 Bush fire on Williams at Clear Creek
23-12-1957 Bush fire at Wattle Flat
24-12-1957 Bush fire at Wattle Flat
25-12-1957 Bush fire at Hill End
26-12-1957 Bush fire at Hill End, P 0 Brigade came home to watch its own area.
00-00-1957 Average bale of wool in the area worth £119-0-0

1958 Bathurst Rainfall 31.93 ins
Palmers Oakey Rainfall 39.96 ins

04-01-1958 Gorman Tobin and his wife Coral came to live at "Nebo" and work for Est D T Ferguson.
04-01-1958 Carl Shumack married Jean Barnes.
09-02-1958 Tennis
23-02-1958 Jack & Marj Theobald had a son Terrence George.
02-03-19,58 Tennis
13-04-1958 Tennis, P 0 played Wallerawang
09-05-1957 Bathurst P P Board rabbit inspector around.
01-06-1958 Tennis, Tabrabucca at PO. and PO lost by 13 games.
08-06-1958 Tennis, Sunny Corner at PO. SC 56. PO 86.
15-06-1958 Tennis, Bathurst X Ray team at PO.
29-06-1958 Tennis , Dark Corner.
06-07-1958 Tennis, Wallerawang. Wang 56. PO 76.
13-07-1958 Tennis, Bathurst. PO won.
27-07-1958 Tennis , at Tabrabucca.
03-08-1958 Tennis , Dark Corner.
22-08-1958 Gorman Tobin and family left "Nebo".
14-09-1958 Tennis,
01-11-1958 Brian Thompson married Janet Miller at Merriwa.
21-11-1958 Send off party for Alexanders at tennis court.
12-12-1958 Est D T Ferguson sold "Nebo". Bought by C Ferguson.
00-00-1958 Bush fire brigade meeting held at D Fergusons, present were E Maloney. S Wilkinson. W Shumack. E Bennett. D Ferguson. C Munro. P Manning. C Shumack. D Thompson. Moved there be no levy this year. The following office bearers were elected. Chairman C Shumack. Sec/Treas. D Thompson. Captain W Shumack. Dep Captains E Bennett and C Munro. Lieutenants E Maloney. S Wilkinson. D Thompson.
00-00-1958 Bob Wilson contract fencing in area for £2-0-0 per chain
00-00-1958 **Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members.**
Mrs F Alexander, Mrs D Ferguson, Mrs C Munro, Mrs S Wilkinson. Mr C Ferguson, D Ferguson. C Munro, S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson.
17-12-1958 D Ferguson went to the P M G and spoke to Mr Newton, Engineer and Bob Smith , supply foreman about material for upgrading the phone line. He was told crossarms were in short supply and they would be in lots of 20 @ 4d each, the first to be collected on 22/12/1958. The estimated material was

Crossarms	10 hole 8 inch	110
Steel spindles		260
Insulators		260
Wooden spindles		370

22-12-1958 D Ferguson picked up the following phone material .

20	crossarms	@ 4d
260	insulators	@ 8d
260	steel spindles	@ 7d

1959 Bathurst Rainfall 26.61 ins
Palmers Oakey Rainfall 35.81 ins

00-01-1959 Dozer putting fire trails in the Mt Franklin road & Mt Horrible area.
22-02-1959 Mrs M J Ferguson passed away at "Kelvin".
23-02-1959 Mrs M J Ferguson buried at Palmers Oakey.
27-02-1959 Several locals mustering lice infested sheep out of Mt Horrible, these sheep had came from the Clear Creek
03-03-1959 A Palmers Oakey Progress Association was formed. Members paid a five shilling membership. The members W K Shumack (chairman), D L Ferguson (Sec/Treas), B Thompson, C Ferguson, D Thompson, E Maloney, C Shumack, E J Bennett, J T Theobald, C D Munro, R McKinnon, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, Mrs W K Shumack, A Wilkinson, Mrs C D Munro, Mrs D L Ferguson,
22-03-1959 Tennis
00-03-1959 Cement deck put on Sugarloaf bridge, Brian Thompson put a by-pass in with his D2 dozer for traffic while the Blaxland Shire laid the deck.
02-05-1959 "Nebo" clearing sale.
28-05-1959 D Ferguson & W Shumack rode along Cattle Run looking at where to put fire trail
00-05-1959 --- 00-06-1959 Gordon Reedy dozing fire trails, Cattle Run & Peppermint Slide
11-06-1959 Polio clinic held at Dark Corner Post Office.
21-06-1959 Tennis
07-07-1959 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club reformed at a meeting held at "Oaks", and it was discussed if the court was to have lights. Moved D Ferguson seconded B Thompson that W K Shumack be Chairman. Moved D Ferguson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that C D Munro be Vice Chairman. Moved B Thompson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that C Ferguson be Secretary. Moved B Thompson seconded C D Munro that D Ferguson be Treasurer. Moved B Thompson seconded S Knight that membership fees be Ladies 10/- and Gents £1-0-0. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that Committee go ahead and light the court and arrange means of financing same. Moved B Thompson seconded J Theobald that a fat lamb be raffled tickets to be 1/- each. Moved B Thompson seconded J Ryndus that treasurer purchase 10 x 100 raffle books. Moved D Thompson seconded E J Bennett that Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Treasurer form sub-committee for raffle. Moved S Wilkinson seconded J Theobald sub-committee investigate cost of lighting and arrange for next meeting.

30-08-1959 Tennis

00-08-1959 --- 00-09-1959 Locals working on auto phone line, this consisted of some new poles , fitting crossarms to all poles, wooden spindles on the straits and steel spindles on the corners. This was to carry 4 sets of wires, the pair from the bottom end of the valley were for E Maloney, S Wilkinson, C Shumack, and W Shumack. The next pair were for D Ferguson, C Munro, C Ferguson. The next pair were for “Warrie" and the other pair for L Palmer on Mt Horrible. A pair were later "hung" for D Thompson (1978) to connect on to L Palmers wires , Leo having no use for them.

00-10-1959 Automatic telephone service connected through R A X at Limekilns.

07-10-1959 Bush fire meeting held at "Oaks", Present C Shumack, D Ferguson, W Shumack, B Thompson, D Thompson, E Maloney, A Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, E Bennett, J Theobald, C Munro, C Ferguson. Officers were as last year and no levy.

26-10-1959 While loading wool out of "Oaks" woolshed, Les McKinnon and Col Ferguson fell off the top tier of wool on the truck, Les broke his wrist.

11-11-1959 D Ferguson taken to hospital in Bathurst with heart attack.

15-12-1959 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" starting at 9-10 PM. Present were W K Shumack (chairman), Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson, S Knight, C Munro, E J Bennett, R McKinnon, J.Theobald, C Ferguson (sec). Apologies B Thompson, J Ryndus, Mrs W Shumack. Sec read the minutes of previous meeting Moved C Munro seconded E Bennett they be passed. The raffle for the fat lamb was drawn by Mrs S Wilkinson and the winning ticket (yellow 34) was held by David Thompson Coolamigal. Nett Profit was £23-6-10. Moved S Wilkinson seconded C Munro that the extra money required be raised by debentures. Moved S Knight seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that Secretary see Terry Banfield (electrician)re cost of lights. Moved W Shumack seconded J Theobald that Mrs S Wilkinson be temp treas in D Fergusons absence. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that a bank A/c be opened at the Commonwealth Bank in Bathurst. Moved S Knight seconded E Bennett that Mrs S Wilkinson , W Shumack, and C Ferguson to operate bank account. Moved S Knight seconded A Wilkinson that treasurer purchase a tea pot for use at the court. Moved A Wilkinson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that a vote of thanks be extended to D Ferguson for the donation of fat lamb for raffle. Moved C Munro seconded S Knight that if total cost of installation of lights not be in excess of £45-0-0 of the balance on hand sub committee go ahead. Should the amount be greater call a meeting . Moved S Wilkinson seconded E Bennett that sub committee set date of next meeting.

	Expenses		Income
10 Raffle books	4-2	Cr Bal	5-4-0
Minute book	2-3	Membership	13-0-0
Ad Bathurst Times	5-6	Raffle profit	34-11 -0
Tea pot	2-7-6	Membership	2-10-0
			45-5-0

It was noted that Rec Trustees had received a grant of £25-00-00

00-00-1959 Tom Cox of Capertee buying rabbits for his chiller at Capartee.

1960 Bathurst Rainfall 32.76 ins
Palmers Oakey Rainfall 35.90 ins

16-01-1960 Alan Wilkinson married Patricia Miller at Bathurst.

26-01-1960 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" 8-45 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, J Theobald, C Ferguson sec. Apologies C Munro, E Bennett. Sec read minutes of last meeting , Mrs S Wilkinson moved and seconded J Theobald they be passed. No correspondence. Accounts Western Times 5/6. Moved S Wilkinson seconded J Theobald that Sec pay ac. at Times. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded J Theobald sec contact Banfield, Wilson re costs of lighting court and cost of power point and light in shed.

07-02-1960 Alexander Thompson born.

12-03-1960 Bush fire

13-03-1960 Bush fire

25-03-1960 Bush fire

26-03-1960 Bush fire

05-07-1960 Snowed

20-07-1960 Snowed heaviest for years

24-07-1960 D Ferguson & C Ferguson with J Bowie making fire trail from Clear Creek to Big Flat, it took 3 days.

01-08-1960 Flood in creek. Brian and David Thompsons Land Rover stalled on "Nebo" causeway, Brian jumped into the water and swam out to get help while David kept logs off the Rover with a stick. (Brians dri-as-a-bone coat did not keep him dry).

13-08-1960 Snow.

30-08-1960 Mrs Eric Smith of Dark Corner passed away.

28-09-1960 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present W Shumack chairman, D Ferguson, C Ferguson, C Munro, C Shumack, E Bennett, B Thompson, D Thompson, J Theobald. Office bearers as last year. Levy 5/- per 1000 sheep.

13-10-1960 PIRIE, Clarence Roy Senior Constable 13 October, 1960 Senior Constable Pirie was the Officer in Charge of the Capertee Police Station from 1958 until his death on 13 October, 1960. On that day he was informed by Lithgow Police that two youths had been seen in a stolen car on the road between Capertee and Mudgee. Whilst patrolling the area, Senior Constable Pirie found the two fourteen year-olds in the vehicle at a roadside camping area at Jews Creek. He did not know at this stage that on the previous day the pair had escaped from the Yasmar children's detention centre, and had broken into a dwelling, stealing items of property and the vehicle before driving it to the Jews Creek area. Senior Constable Pirie placed one offender in the police vehicle and instructed the other to drive the stolen vehicle, while he followed behind, to the Capertee Police Station. As the Constable stood talking to the offenders, the elder youth in the stolen car fired a shot from a .22 rifle through the windscreen. The shot hit Constable Pirie in the chest. He died a short time later. Both youths were captured the following day.
The Constable was born in 1920 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 15 September, 1947. At the time of his death he was stationed at Capertee. (Police Report)

1961 Bathurst Rainfall 27.22 ins
Palmers Oakey Rainfall 31.21 ins

00-01-1961 Gordon Reedy dozed fire trail from Black Mt through Knights Gully to "Bingletree".

02-03-1961 Annual Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" at 8-54 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, E Bennett, J Theobald, S Knight, C Munro, D Ferguson, C Ferguson, No apologies. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded C Munro that minutes be passed. Office Bearers. Moved D Ferguson seconded S Knight that W Shumack be chairman.

Moved E Bennett seconded S Knight that C Ferguson be Secretary. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that D Ferguson be treasurer. Accounts £2-7-6 for teapot. Cr Bal £42-5-7. Moved D Ferguson seconded J Theobald that an A/c for P 0 Tennis Club be opened at Commonwealth Savings Bank. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded E Bennett that Chairman Treasurer and Secretary operate the A/c. Sec read a quote from T Banfield for lighting court. Cost £125-0-0 plus running expenses. A discussion was held re lighting court and a count of intending players was approx 15. Moved S Knight seconded D Ferguson that S Knight inquire cost of tape to mark court. Moved S Knight seconded D Ferguson that membership fee be retrospective to 1-7-60. Moved C Ferguson seconded S Knight that a working bee to be held as soon as possible and tennis start following Sunday. Moved S Knight seconded J Theobald working bee to be held 5-3-61 at 2 PM. Moved S Knight seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that club supply tea and members bring own refreshments. Moved S Knight seconded C Munro Ex. call next meeting. Meeting closed 10.15 PM.

5-03-1961 Working bee on tennis court

12-03-1961 Tennis at Dark Corner.

19-03-1961 Tennis

20-06-1961 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present W Shumack, C Ferguson, D Ferguson, E Bennett, C Munro, J Theobald, A B Thompson, D Thompson,

22-06-1961 Tennis at Dark Corner.

29-06-1961 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" 8.40 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, Mrs S Wilkinson. S Knight, D Ferguson, J Theobald, C Munro, C Ferguson. Apology from E Bennett. Moved D Ferguson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson minutes as read be passed. Letter from Mrs J D Martin thanking club for a donation of a cup and help given to Dark Corner Tournament to raise funds for the Red Cross Silver Bride Competition. Accounts Bank £42-5-7 Cash £ 1-18-0 £44-3-7 D Ferguson reported Rec Trustees had received a grant of £50-0-0. S Knight reported tape would cost £21--0-0, it was decided it was too dear. Treasurer reported a/c was opened at bank. Moved S Knight seconded S Wilkinson that executives action re Dark Corner Cup be endorsed, cost £2-5-0. Moved D Ferguson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson Sec obtain quotes to light court and members also find out what they could re types of lights etc. Moved S Wilkinson seconded S Knight, Deadline for installation 30-9-61. Moved S Knight seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that Annual Meeting be held 20-7-61 and sec send notices to all members.

18-07-1961 Annual Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Meeting held at "Oaks" 8-10 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, D Thompson, B Thompson, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, J Theobald, C Munro, S Knight, D Ferguson, C Ferguson. Apology A Wilkinson. Moved D Ferguson seconded C Munro that minutes be passed. No Correspondence. Treasurer reported Credit Bal £45-13-7. Sec read quotes for lights installation. T Banfield Bathurst £160-0-0 and Barry Murphy Wallerawang £120-0-0. Moved D Thompson seconded J Theobald that B Murphy be contacted for a more definite quote and if right go ahead. Moved B Thompson seconded D Ferguson Hartley C C be contacted re power cost. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that Ex notify date of work on court. Moved C Munro seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that Ex set date of next meeting .

01-10-1961 --03-10-1961 Locals at fire Dib Frazer started in Dam Creek, Tobins Oakey

12-10-1961 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Meeting held at "Oaks" 10-10 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, B Thompson, D Thompson, C Shumack, C Munro, J Theobald, D Ferguson, C Ferguson. Apologies E Bennett, S Knight. Moved D Ferguson seconded D Thompson minutes be passed. No correspondence. Sec reported Barry Murphy was unable to carry out installation of lights on the court due to a ban on weekend work by Wang Elec Comm. D Ferguson reported that Hartley C C stated that there would be a min charge.
Treasurers Report Bank £57-0-1 Cash £11-18-0 Balance £58-18-1
Moved D Ferguson seconded J Theobald sub committee be formed to meet Mr McCann for further details re light installation, sub committee to be W Shumack, D Ferguson, C Munro, A Wilkinson, C Ferguson.

27-10-1961 Bush Fire Brigade Meeting at "Oaks". Present W Shumack chairman, C Munro, S Wilkinson, C Shumack, D Ferguson, J Theobald, A B Thompson, D Thompson, C Ferguson. Office bearers as last year.

00-11-1961 Bruce Harris came through dozing fire trails , made trail along McKinnons Oakey, Tabberatong to Clear Creek, down Tobins Oakey and improved the Sugarloaf, Black Mt, Cattle Run trails

13-11-1961 Hamish Anthony Thompson born in Bathurst.

21-11-1961 Floods

04-12-1961 R. M. Atteull Post Mistress at Sunny Corner buried.

00-00-1961 Norman Fuller and family living at "Nebo" and trapping rabbits in the area.

1962 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 33.69 ins

07-02-1962 Bush fire on Cattle Run

02-03-1962 Bush fire at Wire Rope (Black Mt) started by lighting

01-08-1962 Snowed.

21-08-1962 Snowed.

01-09-1962 Arthur Hyde died.

03-09-1962 Arthur Hyde buried at Capertee.

27-09-1962 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks"9.30 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, C Munro, B Thompson, E J Bennett, J Theobald, L Constable, S Wilkinson, D Ferguson, C Ferguson. No Apologies. Moved D Ferguson seconded E Bennett minutes be accepted. No correspondence. S Wilkinson reported that Mr McCann was unable to do the lighting of the court .
Treasurers Report Bank £58-17-2 Cash 3- 8-0 £62-5-2
A discussion was held re the lighting of the court. Moved C Munro seconded J Theobald that the sec contact H Schofield, M Scott and others re quotes. Moved C Munro seconded S Wilkinson that 30-11-1962 be deadline for installation and sec notify members when quotes to hand. It was left to the ex. to call next meeting. Meeting closed 10.30 PM.

05-10-1962 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks", present W Shumack chairman, C Shumack, E Maloney, D Ferguson, C Ferguson, J Theobald, E Bennett, C Munro, A B Thompson, D Thompson. Office bearers as last year.

03-12-1962 Storm, caused a lot of damage to fences etc.

25-12-1962 Wet cold Xmas.

1963 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 37.79 ins

13-07-1963	Snowed
20-07-1963	Arthur Franks buried
21-07-1963	Car ran off road on Contract Corner (near X Roads) , one passenger had arm broken and ear cut off. (I still have it in a bottle)
19/21-08-1963	Locals working with Blaxland Council and Bowies D6 dozer realigning road along top of Mt Horrible.
22-08-1963	Cobb & Co coach in Sofala.
31-08-1963	Rodney Theobald married.
25-09-1963	D Ferguson took Bob McKinnon to Bathurst to see Dr.
28-09-1963	Bob McKinnon disappeared. (*)
29-09-1963	Search for Bob continued through to the area.
04-10-1963	Graham Smith came from Dark Corner to help look for Bob, the first horse knocked up at Charlie Smiths so he borrowed one there, this made it to "Scotts Warrie" where he borrowed a Land Rover, by the time he reached "Kelvin" the Rover was so hot it kept running when turned off.
05-10-1963	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present W Shumack chairman, C Shumack, E Maloney, D Ferguson, E Bennett, C Munro, A B Thompson, D Thompson, C Ferguson. Office bearers as last year.
07-10-1963	Search for Bob scaled down
20-10-1963	Searching for Bob McKinnon
25-10-1963	Searching for Bob McKinnon
28-10-1963	Searching for Bob
29-10-1963	Searching for Bob
31-10-1963	Searching for Bob
01-11-1963	Searching for Bob
11-11-1963	Searching for Bob
22-12-1963	Searching for Bob

(*) Robert (Bob) Donald McKinnon was born at Palmers Oakey 30-05-1884 went to school here , worked in the area (was chainman for H M Terry when he surveyed this area), went to W W 1 (see war record in year 1919) When he returned from the war he got off the train at Portland and walked home. Worked on the Hawksbury River Rail bridge. During the 1950s was living with his brother Les in Stewart St Bathurst. He asked D Ferguson if he could come to live at Palmers Oakey and on the 29-08-1956 he came to live at "Oaks". He was receiving the pension, the Fergusons gave him meat and milk. He went to Bathurst with them to do his shopping. He enjoyed good health up until 1962 when he started to have trouble with his heart and prostrate. On the 25-09-1963 D Ferguson took him to Bathurst to see a doctor and make inquiries about going to live at the Macquarrie Homes, on their return home Bob was in good sprits.
27-09-1963 Fergusons went to Bathurst and asked Clive Munro to check on Bob, Clive came over and talked to him in the kitchen that night and got the impression that Bob wanted him to leave early, this was unusual as Bob loved to have a yarn. Clive left about 9-00 PM saying he would see him (Bob) tomorrow. The next day 28th Clive called to see Bob late in the afternoon and when he was not at the house, Clive thought he was at the toilet (50 yards away), after a while he started to look for Bob. Soon it became clear he was not around so Clive raised the alarm.
Bobs bed was unmade (unusual), he had bubble and squeak for breakfast (usual), not washed-up (unusual), taken the deck chair from the kitchen (used last night) to the veranda, on one side of the chair there was a book laying open face down and on the other side there were dead matches and pipe ashes.
Locals searched for him that night and the next day a full Police and locals search began and was not scaled down for 9 days. For the next 6 months the locals and sometimes the Police kept looking but with no results.
The night (28th) he went missing his brother Les came out and went to Bob's bedroom and found money, (but it was not known if he was carrying money). There was no sign of a struggle. Mrs Fergusons pet dog that used to stay with Bob while she was away had received a hell of a fright and remained distressed for weeks. The road to Bathurst over Mt Horrible was closed at the time. Charlie Smith from Dark Corner claimed he heard a motor vehicle about 4 AM go towards Palmers Oakey and return shortly after. Bob was well liked by all the people in Palmers Oakey and "got on well" with them, but very little was known of his past. I have not proved it yet, but he may have married about 1925 and had a daughter Joyce Sidwell who became a well known swimmer in the late 40's
I would very much like to know what happened, did he just wander off, did he have someone come and take him away, did his past catch up, did someone come to the house for whatever reason and the outcome of whatever was his death and they took his body away, or did something from somewhere take him ????????.
The last trace was him sitting in the chair on the veranda smoking his pipe, reading a book.
Then he put down the book and, ?.

1964 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 33.65 ins

00-01-1964	Lucerne hay £10 per ton. Superphosphate £9-7-5 per ton, to spread £3-7-5 per ton on ground £12-14-0 per ton
15-02-1964	Lighting started fire in Carl Shumacks (back of Franks)
16-02-1964	Fire moped up.
20-02-1964	Bush fire at Dib Frazers
23-02-1964	Sergeant Stanley from Bathurst Police out re Bob McKinnon.
04-03-1964	Bush Fire Brigade meeting. Present W Shumack, C Munro, D Ferguson, E Bennett, J Theobald, C Ferguson. Business to elect delegates to Shire meeting and order equipment.
00-05-1964	Charlie Theobald had heart attack at home and taken to Bathurst Hospital.
23-05-1964	Barbara Theobald married Harry Dinger at Bathurst.
12-06-1964	Flood.
00-07-1964	Eric Maloney built airstrip on "Kia-Ora".
00-08-1964	Clarrie Cupitt staying at "Nebo" on weekends.
18-08-1964	Burning fire breaks on Mt Horrible
11-10-1964	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present D Ferguson, C Shumack, W Shumack, E Bennett, E Maloney, C Munro, A B Thompson, D F Thompson, S Wilkinson, C Ferguson. Office bearers same as last year and levy 5/- per 1000 sheep.
03-11-1964	Big snow storm, heavy rain, floods.
24-11-1964	Working on phone line repairing snow damage.
15-12-1964	Dib Frazer caught with stolen sheep belonging to Ray Pearce

1965 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 21.29 ins.

19-01-1965 Victoria Janet Thompson born at Bathurst.

06-03-1965 Bush fire on Cattle Run range, Ned Bennett burnt a blackberry bush and a wirly wind took burning canes up into the scrub starting the bush fire . It burnt till the evening of the 8th when a storm of about half an inch of rain put it out.

09-03-1965 Ned and Bill Shumack went to check fire.

18-03-1965 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks"

05-04-1965 Bush fire at Matt Tooles on western side of Limekilns. Matt said he started it while digging holes for rabbit baits with a spark from the mattock

06-04-1965 Fire under control.

13-04-1965 Bill Shumack moved rabbit chiller from Theobalds to Fergusons as C Ferguson had taken over the running of it.

04-05-1965 Nellie Guihot buried at P 0 cemetery at 4-15 PM. Locals dug the grave as they had always done in the past but this was the last as Council took the responsibility not long after.

04-07-1965 Harry Russell from Lithgow became lost at Deep Creek on "Warrie" while shooting. He walked over High Top and down to the Turon, then up the river till dark and camped for the night. Next morning he walked down the river to “Kia-Ora” where Charlie Theobald was working on his bees, Charlie then brought him to "Kelvin" which was search headquarters for 20 odd police and civilians.

15-07-1965 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present J Elbourn, W Shumack, A Henderson, D Ferguson, E Bennett, C Ferguson, S Wilkinson, C Munro, B Thompson, D Thompson. It was agreed to order more 2 way radios.

18-07-1965 Record fail of snow over 2 feet on Mt Horrible. No phone and no power.

19-07-1965 Carl Shumack and C Ferguson came out from Bathurst via Sofala then up the Turon through the Gulf.

20-07-1965 Started repairing phone line.

23-07-1965 Finished repairing phone line and power came back on that night. Food from the locals freezers and fridges was stored in the rabbit chiller at Fergusons , they used a tractor to keep it working.

17-08-1965 Rabbit inspector around.

03-09-1965 Rabbit chiller loaded out 1051 rabbits.

26-09-1965 Bush fires everywhere, 12 in Palmers Oakey area, brigade concentrated on High Top , Cattle Run. The snow in July had brought down a lot of branches off trees in the bush, these had dried out and made wonderful fire fodder. It took almost a week to get them under control.

07-10-1965 From the 27-4-65 the rabbit chiller at Fergusons loaded 4376 rabbits for an income to the locals of £613-9-1 ½ . The top trappers were Charlie Theobald with 1385 £ 202-3-6, Frank Theobald 973 £130-16-11, Clive Munro 916 £125-0-0, Colin Ferguson 613 £58-0-0, Len Munro 221 £25-3-1 The price of rabbits started out at 5/- per pair and rose to 6/3 by 26-8-65.

17-10-1965 Heavy rain. Killed shorn sheep , Ned Bennett lost 46.

19-10-1965 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks" Present, D Ferguson, E Bennett, W Shumack, C Munro, E Maloney, C Ferguson. Election of office bearers, President A B Thompson. Sec/Treas D F Thompson, Vice President C Shumack, Captain W Shumack, Dept Captains E Bennett,C Munro. Leiuts, E Maloney, C Ferguson. Levy 30/- per 1000 sheep.

11-11-1965 Cold and snow, temp never went above 34 deg F. all day.

16-11-1965 Frank Kirby from Oberon grading fire trails with Bob Keoghs grader, while grading Black Mt trail he put the grader over the bank. The local men took 2 dozers up to pull it back up. While digging under the grader tyres Kirby hit a tyre with the mattock, it bounced back and hit him in the head giving him a bad wound, D Ferguson took him to Bathurst to have it stitched.

28-11-1965 Radios fitted to Fire Rovers etc.

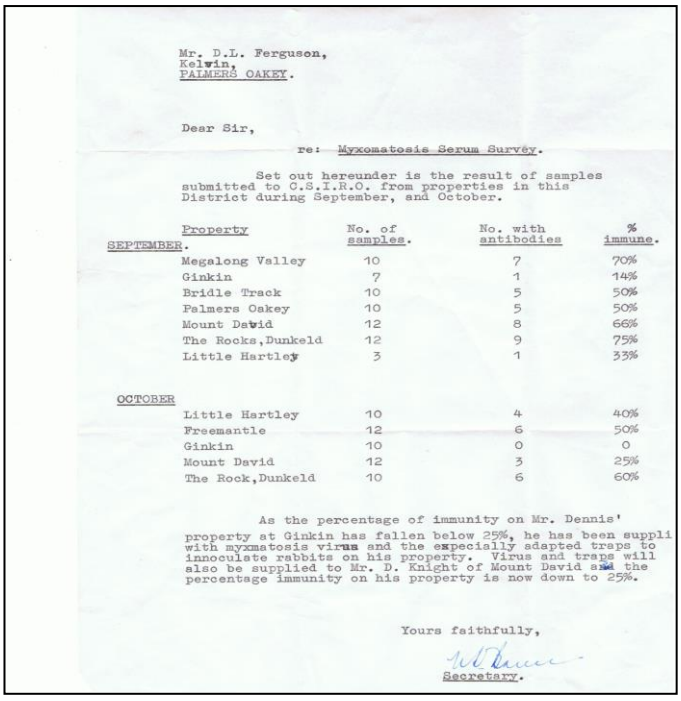
01-12-1965 Clive Munro and Carl Shumack had a head on car accident near Sugarloaf bridge, no injuries. Carl later brought his dozer up and made the bend safer.

06-12-1965 Locals working on road at Penders, Shire put pipes in and Brian Thompson used his dozer and grader, Fergusons used their dozer.

11-12-1965 Ewen Maxwell Smith married

16-12-1965 Brigade members testing radios and word came through that “Clearvale" woolshed at Limekilns was on fire, brigade Rover was there in less than 20 minutes but too late to help save the woolshed that burnt to the ground.

19-11-1965



Mr. D.L. Ferguson,
Kelwin,
PALMERS OAKEY.

Dear Sir,

re: Myxomatosis Serum Survey.

Set out hereunder is the result of samples submitted to C.S.I.R.O. from properties in this District during September, and October.

Property	No. of samples.	No. with antibodies	% immune.
SEPTEMBER.			
Megalong Valley	10	7	70%
Ginkin	7	1	14%
Bridle Track	10	5	50%
Palmers Oakey	10	5	50%
Mount David	12	8	66%
The Rocks,Dunkeld	12	9	75%
Little Hartley	3	1	33%
OCTOBER			
Little Hartley	10	4	40%
Freemantle	12	6	50%
Ginkin	10	0	0
Mount David	12	3	25%
The Rock,Dunkeld	10	6	60%

As the percentage of immunity on Mr. Dennis' property at Ginkin has fallen below 25%, he has been suppli with myxomatosis virus and the especially adapted traps to innoculate rabbits on his property. Virus and traps will also be supplied to Mr. D. Knight of Mount David and the percentage immunity on his property is now down to 25%.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

1966 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 35.10 ins

29-01-1966	Colin Ferguson married Joy Silva at Kelso.
10-03-1966	Very heavy hailstorm, moved across centre of valley from St West to the Nt East in a strip about half a mile wide. The hailstones were the size of a cricket ball cut in half, flat on the top and convex on the bottom. Killed 35 sheep with 5 months wool on them, also a lot of birds and stripped every leaf off the green trees. The stones cut through the bark on trees (they were falling at almost 45 deg angle) and the marks were still on the gum trees on Black Mt. 28 years later but have moved anticlockwise 80 deg
20-03-1966	Special Equipment meeting of Bush Fire Brigade, Present, C Ferguson, W Shumack, A Henderson, B Maloney, D Ferguson, B Thompson, D Thompson, C Ferguson. Brigade decided to buy another Land Rover.
30-03-1966	D Ferguson took a load of sheep to Bathurst, suffered a heart attack and passed away at 12-30 PM.
31-03-1966	D Ferguson buried at Palmers Oakey.
04-04-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 838 rabbits for $201-50
25-04-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 740 rabbits for $184-05
06-05-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 1030 rabbits for$256-75
18-05-1966	Albert Herbert Lewis died aged 82 years, his ashes were placed at P O cemetery
24-05-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 985 rabbits for $245-95
21-06-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 396 rabbits for $99-00
04-07-1966	Ned Bennett collecting census.
12-07-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 644 rabbits for $161 -00
15-07-1966	Snowed
26-07-1966	Snowed
27-07-1966	Snowed
22-08-1966	Snowed
13-09-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 350 rabbits for $86-90.This made a total for the year of 4983 rabbits for $1235-15
20-09-1966	Rec Trustees meeting at "Oaks"
03-10-1966	Snowed
01 -12-1966	Bush Fire Brigade meeting. Present S Wilkinson, C Munro, C Ferguson, W Shumack, D Thompson, B Thompson, C Shumack. Office bearers Pres. B Thompson, Captain W Shumack. Vice Pres C Shumack, Dept Capts. E Bennett, C Munro, E Maloney, C Ferguson, Sec/Treas B Thompson. Levy $6-00 per 1000 sheep. Brigade to run raffle to raise money for Land Rover

1967 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 23.25 ins

00-00-1967	Jim Bryant bought Carl Shumacks property "Evelorna"
06-02-1967	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at W Shumacks. Present E Maloney, C Munro, C Ferguson, W Shumack, B Thompson, Election of Dept Capts, E Bennett, C Ferguson, E Maloney, C Munro.
10-05-1967	Colin and Joy Ferguson had a son Duncan born in Sydney.
11-07-1967	Rabbit chiller loaded out 683 rabbits for $170-75
31-07-1967	Locals working on re-aligning Diamond Creek crossing at Limekilns.
03-08-1967	Finished roadwork at Diamond Creek.
07-08-1967	Snowed
18-08-1967	Rabbit chiller loaded out 292 rabbits for $77-55
07-09-1967	Fire meeting at W Shumacks. B Maloney, E Maloney, W Shumack, C Munro, S Wilkinson, B Thompson, Jim Bryant, Jim Bryant Jr, C Ferguson.
12-10-1967	Bush Fire Brigade meeting held at "Warrie" Present W Shumack, C Ferguson, B Thompson, J Bryant, B Bryant, B Maloney, S Wilkinson, C Munro. Election, Pres. B Thompson, Capt. W Shumack, Vice Pros, W Shumack, Dept Capts B Thompson, E Maloney, C Ferguson, C Munro. Sec/Treas C Ferguson. Radio Operators C Ferguson, B Thompson. Levy $6.00 per 1000 sheep.
16-10-1967	Rabbit chiller loaded out 620 rabbits for $170-35. This made a total for the year of 1595 for $418.65
20-11-1967	Mrs Jack Shumack (Dark Corner) passed away.
22/23-12-1967	Bush fire at Capertee.

1968 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 34.12 ins

30-03-1968	David Thompson married Philipa Stevenson.
04-04-1968	Bush Fire Brigade meeting held at "Oaks" Present C Munro, B Thompson, J Bryant, J Bryant Jr, W Shumack, C Ferguson. Office bearers as last year.
22-09-1968	Rabbit chiller loaded out 865 rabbits for $173-00
09-10-1968	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks" Present C Munro, S Wilkinson, L Munro, W Shumack, B Thompson, J Bryant, B Bryant, C Ferguson. Levy $3-00 per 500 sheep.

1969 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 36.29 ins

25-02-1969	Sarah Jane Ferguson born at Bathurst.
06-03-1969	Bush Fire Brigade meeting "Warrie" Present B Thompson, E Maloney, J Bryant, W Shumack, C Munro, C Ferguson.
12-05-1969	Burning fire breaks on Mt Horrible.
07-08-1969	Inspection of Bush Fire Brigade equipment.
02-10-1969	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present B Thompson, C Munro, J Bryant Jr, W Shumack, C Ferguson. Office Bearers as last year. Levy $3.00 per 500 sheep.
12-11-1969	Duncan Ferguson broke his leg (when he fell over a pup) and taken to Bathurst Hospital.
14-12-1969	Snowed.
17-12-1969	Duncan Ferguson out of hospital

1970 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 34.37 ins.

12-03-1970 Bush Fire Brigade meeting held at "Oaks", present B Thompson, S Wilkinson, W Shumack, C Munro, A Henderson, J Bryant, W Maloney, N Smith, C Ferguson.

01-09-1970 Snowed.

17-09-1970 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at W Shumacks. Present W Shumack, W Maloney, B Thompson, J Bryant, C Munro, C Ferguson. Office bearers same as last year. Levy $2-00 per 500 sheep.

03-11-1970 Locals gravelling roads with Shire.

04-11-1970 On road.

05-11-1970 On road.

1971 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 35.15 ins.

19-02-1971 James Stuart Ferguson born at Bathurst.

03-03-1971 Eric Maloney shot himself in the garage at “Treloar". Taken to Sydney by ambulance but did not live, passed away next day.

06-03-1971 Eric Maloneys funeral.

11-03-1971 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at W Shumacks. Present W Shumack, B Thompson, C Munro, W Maloney, N Smith, C Ferguson.

03-08-1971 Inspection of Bush Fire Brigade equipment.

07-10-1971 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present B Thompson, J Bryant, W Shumack, W Maloney, C Munro, C Ferguson. Office bearers same as last year and levy $2-00 per 500 sheep.

1972 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 24. 10 ins.

10-02-1972 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present B Thompson, W Maloney, C Munro, J Bryant, W Shumack, C Ferguson.

28-04-1972 Edna Lonergan (nee Fuller, nee Theobald) died.

09--05-1972 Jack Shumack died.

07-07-1972 Snowed.

11-08-1972 Cold wet night, unroofed sheds, killed lambs.

15-08-1972 Bush Fire Brigade meeting. Present B Thompson, J Bryant, J Bryant Jr., C Munro, W Shumack, L Munro, C Ferguson A Shumack. Office bearers and levy as last year.

03-11-1972 Mrs Jack Elbourn (nee Facer) died.

03-12-1972 Gravelling Mt Horrible.

04-12-1972 Gravelling Mt Horrible.

DATA ON MINES WITHIN 50 km of PALMERS OAKEY;
source Dep. Mines 1972

PALMERS OAKEY	various mines listed but no records of production.	
HILL TOP (TOBINS OAKEY)	1881-82.1907-1934	344oz au
PADDY LAKEY (DARK CORNER)	1885-1906,1914	11740 oz au.
SUNNY CORNER MINES	1875-1922.1949 205686 t ore	2885392oz ag. 10109oz au. 979 t cu
BALD HILL (SUNNY CORNER)	pre 1886, 1892, 1897-1911	3461 oz au 1891-1901, 1917 au.ag.cu.
MITCHELLS CREEK	p 1880	781 oz au
LITTLE HILL (SUNNY CORNER)	p1886,1889-1906	934ozau.
BOBS CREEK (SUNNY CORNER)	1887-1908, 1933	1400 oz au.
SAINT GEORGE OR HOMEWARD BOUND (DARK CORNER)		p1878,1888-1894 648 oz au.
LAGOON CR.(SUNNY CORNER)		Approx 2000 oz au.
MtCONQUEROR (PEEL)	1901-1904	460ozau.
BLACKMANS SWAMP(LIMEKILNS)	p 1885 5t ore	51 oz au.
BIG OAKEY (WATTLE FLAT)	P 1877-1919, 1922, 1934-1936	693 oz au from 6700t ore.
QUEENSLAND (SOFALA)	1888-1916 1935-1939,	3696ozau.
HAWKINS HILL (HILL END)	1865-1918	400000 oz au.
RED HILL (HILL END)	1Os of thousands of oz of au.	
BULLOCK FLAT (PAILING YARDS)	p1879-1884,1901,	600 oz au.
SOLITARY REEF (WATTLE FLAT)	p 1880-1894, 1900-1902 1936	3800 oz au

1973 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 53.73 ins.

02-01-1973 Gravelling road near cross roads

03-01-1973 Gravelling road.

07-01-1973 Bush Fire at Walang.

08-01-1973 Fire under control , brigade came home.

10-01-1973 Bush Fire on Olivers at Running Stream.

03-02-1973 Flood in Oakey creek, biggest since 1950

10-02-1973 Flood in creek again.

27-02-1973 Flood in creek again.

00-03-1973 Jim Bryant put "Willandra" on the market in 11 blocks.

08-03-1973 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present B Thompson, L Munro, W Shumack, J Bryant, N Smith, C Munro, C Ferguson.

10-03-1973 Slight earthquake.

07-05-1973 Charlie Ferguson died.

00-08-1973 Dozers working on "Contract" corner & some along the Bathurst road.

14-08-1973 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present B Thompson, W Shumack, C Munro, W Maloney, C Ferguson. Office bearers and levy as last year.

10-10-1973 Flood in creek once again.

30-10-1973	Alan Theobald had a heart attack, ambulance took him to Bathurst hospital.
31-12-1973	Party at Fergusons for new residents, 70 people attended.
00-00-1973	Di Falcos bought "Treloar" from Maloneys.
00-00-1973	Milton Lamb bought Willandra" house block from J Bryant.
00-00-1973	Les Chochran bought block 2 from J Bryant.
1974	Palmers Oakey Rainfall 36.32 ins.
11-01-1974	Floods, very big in Turon.
02-03-1974	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at recreation ground, the reason being a Saturday there may be more of the new members able to attend. Present B Thompson, N Smith, L Cochrane, Mr & Mrs Sperring, Mr & Mrs Zylstra, G DiFalco, W Shumack, S Wilkinson, C Munro, C Ferguson.
25-05-1974	Heavy snow, no power & no phone.
28-05-1974	Repairing phone line over Mt Horrible.
29-06-1974	Mrs 0 M Theobald (nee Franks) died.
30-06-1974	Locals digging Mrs Theobalds grave and with Council trucks trying to fix the road to the cemetery.
01-07-1974	Mrs Theobald buried in PO cemetery. The road to the cemetery was too wet to use so the Fire Brigade Land Rover was used to take the casket across from the main road.
15-08-1974	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present B Thompson, Milton Lamb, C Munro, W Shumack, C Ferguson. Office bearers and levy as last year.
26-09-1974	Charlie Theobald died. Charlie and his son Robbie were burning tussocks on Elbourn's Bald Hill when Charlie had a heart attack. Robbie drove to Fergusons to get help. An ambulance was called while C Ferguson and Clarrie Cupitt went to Charlie but he was dead when they arrived. His body was brought down to the main road in a Land Rover and transferred to the ambulance.
30-09-1974	Charlie Theobald buried in Bathurst cemetery.
18-09-1974	Meeting at"Warrie" re the changes to Shire boundaries
30-09-1974	Elsie Ada Lewis died.
17-10-1974	Snowed.
31-12-1974	Party at Fergusons
1975	Palmers Oakey Rainfall 28.20 ins.
14-02-1975	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. B Thompson, C Munro, W Shumack, G DiFalco, C Ferguson.
00-05-1975	Dozer clearing fire trails and making new ones in Tobins Oakey.
01-06-1975	Jack Martin from Dark Corner died.
12-06-1975	Snowed.
00-08-1975	Working on Mt Horrible road in Evans Shire.
20-09-1975	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present B Thompson, W Shumack, G DiFalco, C Munro, S Wilkinson, C Ferguson. Office bearers and levy as last year.
18-10-1975	Stan and Josie Wilkinsons 40th wedding anniversary party held at Red Cross hall in Bathurst.
1976	Palmers Oakey Rainfall 34.56 ins
21-01-1976	Heavy rain
22-01-1976	Heavy rain
23-01-1976	Rain eased off , over 9 ins, big floods, causeway at Theobalds damaged, Fergusons lost 240 shorn lambs.
31-01-1976	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present B Thompson, E Morcombe, J O'Brien, W Shumack, S Wilkinson, G DiFalco, D Church, P Jennings, C Ferguson.
21-04-1976	Repairing Bowers Bridge.
10-07-1976	Jack Berry died. Jack ran the mail from Sunny Corner to Palmers Oakey for many years, also delivered groceries and bread from his shop at Yetholme. Jack was almost unstoppable, he would have a go no matter what. If he was late we would go looking for him , knowing he would be stuck in a bog or creek crossing.
15-07-1976	Causeway at Theobalds collapsed.
05-8-1976	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons . Present B Thompson, C Munro, W Shumack, L Cochran, C Ferguson. Office bearers and levy as last year.
00-08-1976	Garry McMahon grading fire trails.
10-09-1976	Heavy snow, wind and rain. Sheep died.
19-09-1976	Meeting at "Warrie" re Shire boundaries.
19-12-1976	Fire Brigade equipment get together at "Nebo" causeway.
00-12-1976	Locals and Shire gravelling roads.
31-12-1975	55 at New Years Party at Fergusons.
1977	Palmers Oakey Rainfall 24.62 ins.
17-02-1977	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present B Thompson, W Shumack, C Munro, J Anderson, G DiFalco, C Ferguson.
27-03-1977	Bike trial through C Munros and over Cattlerun.
31-05-1977	Snowed.
01-06-1977	Snowed.
02-06-1977	Snowed.
23-08-1977	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present B Thompson, C Munro, W Shumack, C Ferguson. Office bearers and levy as last year.
00-09-1977	David and Pam Church bought "Kia-Ora" from Theobalds.
03-09-1977	Brian Thompson dozing site for Les Cochrans house.
05-09-1977	Louise Fitzgerald (nee Ferguson) died at Lthgow.
03-10-1977	Fire at Leo Palmers on top of Mt Horrible, jumped road into Nature Reserve.
04-10-1977	Mopped up fire.
11-10-1977	It became common knowledge Brian Thompson had lung cancer.
13-10-1977	Meeting at Sunny Corner Hall re shire boundaries. 27 people all in favour of going into Evans Shire.

15-10-1977 Bill Shumack and Colin Ferguson taking petition around re Shire Boundaries
17-10-1977 Locals realining road on top of Mt Horrible near turn off to Tobins Oakey.
17-10-1977 Milton Lamb sold “Willindra" to Ron Colman.
19-10-1977 Eric Smith from Dark Corner died. He was living at Macquarie Homes, wandered away and drowned in the river.
10-12-1977 Election day. Lightning started fire at head of Knights Gully.
11-12-1977 Checking fire.
13-12-1977 Checking fire.
14-12-1977 Lightning started fire at Dicks Gully.
25-12-1977 Wet Xmas.
31-12-1976 67 people at C Fergusons for party.

1978 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 1000 mm.
20-02-1978 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present W Shumack, G DiFalco, Alex Thompson, C Munro, C Ferguson.
13-03-1978 Lighting started fire in Ranch, but rain damped it out.
00-05-1978 On phone line, David Thompson extended Leo Palmers line to "Old Farm", and the rest of the line was tided up.
20-07-1978 Dot Hyde (nee Theobald) passed away.
12-08-1978 Snow.
14-09-1978 Snow.
21-09-1978 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present C Munro, G DiFalco, 0 O'Hara, A Thompson, W Shumack, C Ferguson. Office bearers as last year. Levy $2-00 per 500 sheep. Min $5-00.
29-10-1978 Fire Brigade equipment checked at "Nebo" causeway.
13-11-1978 Brian Thompson passed away.
04-12-1978 Plane crashed on Mt Horrible at 4-09 PM. Both pilot and passenger killed.
05-12-1978 Plane found by search helicopter at 2 PM . T V channel 7 helicopter landed about 1 ½ km away and the crew walked to the site took film of the crash and bodies to show that night.
06-12-1978 Wales helicopter came up from Sydney at first light, C Ferguson went up with them, located the plane and it was decided to walk in from the Mt Franklin road. Clive Munro, Geoff Munro and Colin Ferguson walked in with a party of police to the crash site, cut a clearing with a chainsaw for the helicopter to lift the bodies of Johnston and Foreman out. They were on a flight from Sydney to Dubbo and ran into storms over the mountains. At the time of the crash the mountain was covered in cloud and they flew into the side of the mountain about 100 m from the top. The plane hit the trees the wings broke off and the fuselage hit the ground bounced into a small cliff, throwing Johnston and Foreman as well as the motor on top of the cliff. The fuselage caught fire and burnt out.
25-12-1978 Cool and light rain for Xmas.

1979 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 520 mm.
26-01-1979 Fire Brigade to a fire at Dulcis Vale Limekilns that lightning started.
13-02-1979 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present R Bushell, C Munro, A Thompson, W Shumack, C Ferguson.
05-05-1979 Raymound Theobald buried at Bathurst, he was killed in a bike accident.
08-06-1979 Sunny Corner school closed.
16-08-1979 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present W Shumack, C Munro, L Cochran, R Bushell, G DiFalco, N DiFalco, C Ferguson. Office Bearers. President W Shumack Vice Pros. C Munro Captain. W Shumack. Dep/Capts. C Munro, & C Ferguson. Sec/Tres C Ferguson, Radio Ops. J Thompson, R Bushell, N DiFalco., Equipment C Ferguson,, W Shumack, R Bushell.
22-08-1979 Burn off in Nature Reserve-Mt Horrible. Bill Shumack, Clive Munro, David Theobald, Les Cochrane, Roger Bushell, Hamish Thompson, Bob Jecks, Tom Shepherd, Colin Ferguson. Ossie Stark, 3 NPWS men.
23-08-1979 Burn off in Nature Reserve. Bill Shumack, Clive Munro, Roger Bushell, Hamish Thompson, Bob Jecks, Tom Shephard, Colin Ferguson
00-12-1979 Gerry Gotch bought "Willandra" from Ron Colman.
02-12-1979 Fire equipment check at"Nebo" causeway.
21-12-1979 Fire brigade at fire at head of Clear Creek.
22-12-1979 Brigade at fire.
23-12-1979 Fire under control.
29-12-1979 Mrs H A (Mabs) Thompson died at Toowoomba Q

1980 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 445 mm.
14-02-1980 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present W Shumack, G Gotch, C Munro, S Wilkinson, G DiFalco, A DiFalco, N DiFalco.
15-03-1980 Bush fire at Dark Corner (behind John Martins)
18-03-1980 Bush fire at Dark Corner again.
00-05-1980 Churchs sold “Kia-0ra" and “The Glebe” to C & J Ferguson.
28-06-1980 Snow.
04-07-1980 Snow.
11-07-1980 Churchs moved out of “The Glebe",
02-08-1980 Lou Silvas mate “Mitch" rolled Lou’s car at Bill Shumacks gate.
06-08-1980 Tom Shephard finished work at Fergusons.
14-08-1980 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present H Thompson, N Smith, R Bushell, 0 O'Hara, W Shumack, C Munro, G Gotch, W Gotch, L Cochrane, C Ferguson.
16-08-1980 Three girls from Turon Gates became lost while riding on Cattlerun, rode down into the valley and were found at 6 PM
13-09-1980 Alan Turner & Penny moved into “The Glebe".
06-10-1980 Fire equipment check at "Nebo" causeway, and a car went off the road in “Warries" Black Soil. Jock Coats grading fire trails.
00-12-1980 Telecom laid cable from RA X at Limekilns to Wilkinsons.
28-12-1980 Very heavy storm across bottom end of valley, 125mm plus.

1981 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 962 mm

04-01-1981 Bush fire at Stockyard Gully.
05-01-1981 Fire under control.
14-01-1981 Telecom connected new phones to the new cable, they had a lot of trouble to get them to work.
03-02-1981 Oscah & Debra O'Hara had a daughter Hollie.
05-02-1981 Bush fire at head of Oakey, put out by storm rain.
12-02-1981 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present W Shumack G Gotch, R Wilkinson, L Cochrane, A Thompson, H Thompson, N DiFalco, C Munro, G DiFalco, C Ferguson.
01-03-1981 June Munros father Frank Hopper passed away.
14-03-1981 Alan Turner & Penny Turner left "The Glebe"
21-04-1981 Trevor Blood moved into "The Glebe".
24-05-1981 Ned Bennett passed away while having his breakfast in his home at Capertee.
26-05-1981 Ned Bennett buried at Capertee.
28-05-1981 Lithgow Council put new pipes in Basin Creek.
29-06-1981 Bobby Shumacks father buried at Bathurst.
13-08-1981 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons.
21-09-1981 Stan Guihot buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery.
02-10-1981 June Munros mother passed away.
09-11-1981 Elgin Nancarrow (nee Munro) passed away.
28-11-1981 Army Reserve held a B-B-Q at "Willandra" for locals.
20-12-1981 Bush Fire Brigade equipment checked at "Nebo" causeway.
25-12-1981 Cold and wet for Xmas.
31-12-1981 22 people at Fergusons for New Years Eve.
00-00-1981 Gerry Gotch sold Willandra" to Ray Patterson.
00-00-1981 Ron Colman sold "Soapsuds" to Wells.

1982 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 314 m

JAN.	33 mm
FEB	15
MAR	102
APR	13
MAY	30
JUN	11
JUL	20
AUG	
SEP	40
OCT	24
NOV	12
DEC	14

314 mm. (12.37 ins)

00-01-1982 Some locals winding up wire from old phone line.
11-02-1982 Police raided"The Glebe". Trevor Blood had been arrested in Sydney on drug charges. When they searched "The Glebe" the police found 3 longarms and 2 handguns, as Trevor was on parole he was not to have guns in his possession let alone handguns so he was later charged.
11-02-1982 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons.
05-03-1982 Army started moving into area to hold war games for about 3 weeks.
26-03-1982 Army hold a dinner at Sunny Corner for the residents in appreciation for use of the area.
03-05-1982 Clarrie Cupitt had an operation on his foot.
22-05-1982 Very strong winds.
27-05-1982 Alan Theobald died.
01-06-1982 Alan Theobalds funeral in Bathurst.
00-06-1982 Mrs Connie Bradford wife of Rev Bob Bradford of U S A (on exchange at Bathurst) found a 16.4 dwt, 3/4oz nuggett in Black Soil (Warrie) while metal detecting with her husband.
00-06-1982 Greg Turner from Orange painting in the area.
20-06-1982 Snow.
19-07-1982 Snow, about 125 mm on Mt Horrible.
12-08-1982 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons.
18-08-1982 Burn-off along road, "Warrie" -Drag Hollow, this burnt for the next 2 days and had to be stopped at times.
27-08-1982 Les Cochran in Bathurst Hospital for an operation.
27-09-1982 C Ferguson pulled down and wound up wire from around tennis court on the recreation ground.
00-09/10-1982 Roy Blayden cleaning out dams with dozer.
07-10-1982 Clive Munro had a heart by-pass operation at R P A Sydney.
30-10-1982 Bush fire at Aidens Hill Sunny Corner in the forest.
00-12-1982 Clarrie and Flo Cupitt left "Nebo" and returned to Rockdale.
22-12-1982 Wilkinsons, Cochrans, Shumacks, Munros, Thompsons, at Fergusons for Xmas cheer.
23-12-1982 Hamish Thompson broke his leg .(motor bike)
25-12-1982 3 mm rain for Xmas. Worst drought known. Oakey creek never known to be as low, no water from Bars to Theobalds causeway. Some trees dying. Turon a few waterholes.

1983 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 914 mm.

02-01-1983 Judy Johnston and 2 children moved into "The Glebe",
05-01-1983 Bush fire at Wattle Flat, Bill Shumack, Roger Bushell, Duncan Ferguson and Colin Ferguson attended.
23-01-1983 Lighting started a bush fire on top of Cattlerun , 12 men attended.
24-01-1983 Bill Shumack, Duncan Ferguson and Colin Ferguson checked fire.

27-01-1983 Judy Johnson and children left “The Glebe".
01-02-1983 Very heavy storm across Black Soil and Murdering Gully. Sent a 2 m wall of water down creak (two days later there was only mud left), washed sheep and goats away. Damaged Black Soil bridge.
02-02-1983 Council closed Black Soil bridge.
03-02-1983 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons.
07-02-1983 Council rebuilt Black Soil bridge.
08-02-1983 Kato cleaning dams out at “Warrie”
11-02-1983 Kato cleaning out dams for Clive Munro
12-02-1983 Kato cleaning out dams for C Ferguson
13-02-1983 Storm.
06-03-1983 Eric Morcombe bought Hawkins Hill block from H Zylstra (he was asking $63000-00)
20-03-1983 RAINED:
07-04-1983 First frost for 1983.
27-05-1983 125 mm of rain for the week.
25-06-1983 Bike trial through C Munros and W Shumacks.
00-07-1983 Ernie Anthforth put his block on the market for $32,000-00, later sold to Tony Lynch.
00-07-1983 Stephen Tunley and Sally Malone renting the Glebe".
01-08-1983 Duncan Leslie (Pud) McKinnon died.
11-08-1983 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons.
15-08-1983 Reg and Helen Simmons moved into "Nebo".
00-08-1983 Roy Blaydon dozing roads etc.
19-10-1983 Storm with strong winds, power line down also numerous trees.
31-10-1983 Theobalds moved out, (there had been Theobalds here for about 128 years) sold out to John Peters.
08-11-1983 Strong winds, trees down on mountain.
04-12-1983 7,000 rainbow trout fingerlings released in this area.
06-12-1983 Hamish Thompson, Nino DiFalco, Colin Ferguson clearing Knights Gully fire trail, broke axle in fire Land Rover.
11-12-1983 Nine people at fire equipment check at "Nebo" causeway.
21-12-1983 Silvas and Joe DiFalco had a head on car accident above “Warrie" gate on Bathurst road.
22-12-1983 Van Dyks bought “The Glebe” from Fergusons ($42,000-00).
22-12-1983 Xmas get-together at Fergusons, 29 people.

1984 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 966 mm. (38.66 ins)
16-01-1984 Heavy rain, floods in Diamond Creek and Oakey. Floodgates gone.
19.02-1984 Police looking for people stranded at Junction.
01-03-1984 Don Nash (Wattle Flat) lost his leg in slasher.
02-03-1984 Car rolled at "Nebo".
24-03-1984 State Election
24-03-1984 Reg and Helen Simmons left "Nebo"
28-03-1984 Heavy frost.
16-04-1984 Bill Shumack went to Sydney to get new Toyota for fire brigade.
18-04-1984 Chris Ryan grading fire trails for a week.
19-04-1984 Alan Wilkinson and Bob Lamb had accident in Black Soil, Bob was towing a caravan and it sideswiped Alan’s truck.
07-05-1984 Peter Hutcheon left work at “Willandra" for Ray Paterson and moved into "Nebo" and part time work for Fergusons.
22-05-1984 Paul Wilkinson and his wife Tracy were badly hurt in a car accident on their honeymoon.
19-06-1984 First snow for winter.
04-07-1984 Heavy snow. Temperature range for the day was -2 to +2 c.
28-07-1984 Big flood (68 mm in 24 hours). Four doctors stuck in a new Toyota Landcruiser at Capertee crossing on Oakey.
31-07-1984 Windy night, took part of the roof off the shearing shed at "Willandra".
16-08-1984 John (Jack) Thomas Theobald died.
20-08-1984 Jack Theobald buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery
23-08-1984 Lithgow Council inspection of fire equipment.
19-09-1984 Roy Blayden started dozing fire trail down Stoney Gully ridge.
23-09-1984 Roy Blayden dozing crossings at Junction that were washed out.
23-12-1984 Xmas get-together at “Warrie", 20 people there.
29-12-1984 Peter Hutcheon left "Nebo".

1985 Palmers Oakey Rainfall
09-01-1985 Bush fire at "Warrie" between woolshed paddock and creek.
10-01-1985 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons.
16-01-1985 Lighting started fires at, Riletts in Bill Shumacks and Golden Gate on the Capertee side of the Turon.
17-01-1985 Six brigade members to the fire at Golden Gate.
30-01-1985 Fire brigade to a fire at Blue Hill Limekilns.
07-02-1985 Bush fire at "Bingletree". It was lit by the young lad working there.
08-02-1985 Brigade members to "Bingletree" fire , the lad had lit more fires.
09-02-1985 Fire at "Bingletree" mopped up.
12-03-1985 Radio test for fire brigades.
24-03-1985 Norman Elbourn, his wife and grand daughter were involved in a car accident on their way home to Woolongong from a short stay at Palmers Oakey, his wife Flo was killed .
31-03-1985 Fire at DiFalcos , it had got away from Joe and burnt out a small area.
31-05-1985 Chris Wilkinson had an accident with Land Rover at Spencers, to Hospital but not hurt too much.
04-06-1985 Snow.
05-06-1985 Heavy snow, 12 hour blackout.
26-06-1985 Stan Wilkinson taken to Hospital in Ambulance with phemonia.
30-06-1985 Stan McKinnon died.
01-07-1985 Seven from Palmers Oakey to the farmers rally at Canberra.

03-07-1985 Stan McKinnon buried at Bathurst.
22-07-1985 Hilton Tobin (Sofala) buried at Kelso.
06-08-1985 Snowed.
08-08-1985 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons.
00-08-1985 Roger Bushell left "Old Farm".
02-12-1985 Fire equipment test at "Nebo" causeway.
14-12-1985 Alec Thompson married Sarah Maple-Brown.
19-12-1985 26 people at Fergusons for Xmas get-together.
00-00-1985 Tony Lynch bought Ernie Anthforths block. ($28000-00?)
00-00-1985 Mrs Pascale built and living on her Sugarloaf block.
00-00-1985 Knights Gully block sold to Tony Soar ($12000-00?)
00-00-1985 Mike Richards bought Soapsuds block.

1986 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 947 mm. 3788 ins

JAN	87.5
FEB	34
MAR	14.75
APR	12.5
MAY	73.75
JUN	15
JLY	111.5
AUG	349
SEP	60.25
OCT	70.75
NOV	85.5
DEC	33
	947.5

21-01-1986 New Toyota for Fire Brigade.
23-01-1986 Fire Brigade meeting at C.Fergusons.
17-02-1986 Joan.Boan, Les.Cochran, John.Peters, Hamish.Thompson, Lorrain & John.Van Dyk, Col & Joy Ferguson to Farmers Rally at Dubbo
20-02-1986 Norman.Elbourn died.
00-02-1986 Stick Insects stripped leaves off trees on Mt Horrible
11-03-1986 First frost for 86.
24-03-1986 Bert Guihot buried Portland.
25-04-1986 Elbourn reunion at Fergusons for 3 days.
13-06-1986 Burning off Stoney Gully & Trig.
09-07-1986 Snow
12-07-1986 Stuart Ferguson broke his leg while playing football in Sydney
06-08-1986 Heavy rain & snow. 215mm in 24 hours. Turon twice as big as 1950 flood, Oakey about the same as 1950. Snow brought down Timber & cut road. "Nebo" causeway buried, other two causeways had ends washed away. Turon Gates flooded out, 4 cabins damaged. Footbridge at Sofala gone, bridge at Wimburndale gone. No power no phone. Colin & Joy Ferguson stranded in Bathurst, Nino DiFalco brought Colin to Limekilns via Wattle Flat, then he walked over Mt Horrible, snow knee deep, Bill Shumack met him at Drag Hollow. It had taken Bill 2 hours to get there from his place, cutting trees off road
09-08-1986 Tony Lynch & John Peters put bridge over Martins causeway
00-08-1986 Council opening roads & landholders replacing fencing etc
24-08-1986 Working bee at Turon Gates cleaning up, and rebuilding cabins.
13-10-1986 Tim Gallie moved into "Nebo".
00-11-1986 Peter.Chapman bought “Willindra" ($180,000-00?)
23-11-1986 Fire equipment check at Martins causeway
22-12-1986 Xmas get-together at C.Fergusons, 27 people.

1987 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 508 mm 20.34 ins
00-01-1987 Dogs killing stock at Bill Shumack’s “Cattlerun”, 3 seen.
13-.01-.1987 Fire meeting at C Fergusons
17.-01.-1987 Sally Ferguson to Sweden on Rotary Exchange
19-01-1987 Duncan & Colin Ferguson clearing snowbush off fire trails with “Warries" tractor.
14-02-1987 Waldo Alexander Thompson born.
15-02-1987 Van Dyks sold “The Glebe" to Packhams ($45000-00?)
20-02-1987 Spotlighters (Carter) shot dog at “Cattlerun”.
02-03-1987 Flood in creek, 120 mm rain.
04-03-1987 Creek still in flood, no phones below Bill Shumacks, 225mm in 4 days.
16-03-1987 Shire gravelling road.
24-03-1987 Alec Thompson dozed fire trail down old Mt Horrible road.
21-04-1987 First frost.
24-04-1987 Rusty Bone died.
14-05-1987 C Ferguson shot 3 of Tony Lynch’s dogs killing sheep in Bowers.
23-07-1987 Mrs Miller died. (Pat Wilkinsons mother)
11-08-1987 Mrs Jack Martin buried at Dark Corner.
13-08-1987 Bush fire meeting at C Fergusons
31-08-1987 Snowed
26-09-1987 Bill Shumack burning-off Cattlerun range, good burn.
00-11-1987 Trevor Blood died from heart attack,(in Bathurst?) ashes spread on Mt Horrible.

22-12-1987 Xmas get-together at “Warrie”, 15 people.
24-12-1987 Xmas get-together at Peters', 18 people.

1988 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 888 mm, 3552 ins

Jan	73
Feb	7
Mar	34
Apr	163
May	48
Jun	28
Jul	112
Aug	89
Sep	96
Oct	14
Nov	100
Dec	124
	888 mm

00-01-1988 Dogs killing sheep and goats on “Warrie"
08-01-1988 Sally Ferguson returned from Sweden
13-01-1988 Fire on Goannar Ridge.
14-01-1988 Fire over the back of Cattlerun on N Smiths
14-01-1988 Fire meeting at C Fergusons
21-02-1988 Sally Ferguson started at Newcastle University
09-04-1988 Elsie McKinnon died.
14-05-1988 140 people at “Oaks” for Duncan Fergusons 21st birthday
00-06-1988 Ross Reeks dozing fire trails and also private work for about 8 weeks.
06-07-1988 Flood, Martins causeway washed out, Shire repaired it and Theobalds causeway, also cut Church corner off.
21-07-1988 21st birthday party at Wilkinsons for Chris Wilkinson
04-08-1988 Ross Reeks Dozer cut road around moonlight to do away with creek crossings and done up the Gulf road.
11-08-1988 Fire meeting at C Fergusons.
12-08-1988 Di Falcos sold "Treloar" to Cosgroves for about $500,000
00-09-1988 Packhams started to build new house on the Glebe
10-10-1988 Flo Cupitt died.(nee Elbourn)
03-11-1988 Peter Chapman died
26-11-1988 Weed day at Recreation Ground
??-11-1988 Sarah and Alec Thompson had a daughter Iona Camille
30-11-1988 Alex Thompson kicked by cow and had ribs broken
31-12-1988 New Year parties at Fergusons and Peters.

1989 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 882 mm. 3528 ins

Jan	46
Feb	62
Mar	188
Apr	150
May	96
Jun	71
Jul	71
Aug	45
Sep	22
Oct	39
Nov	38
Dec	54
	882 mm

12-01-1989 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons
25-01-1989 Alec Thompson shot 2 dogs that had been killing sheep at Bulls Camp.
26-01-1989 Geoff Munro shot 2 dogs at Bulls Camp.
11-02-1989 Simon Clissold broke his leg (off motor bike) at Willandra"
11-03-1989 Duncan Ferguson and Chris Wilkinson married at Kelso.
01-04-1989 John Alan was washed off the causeway in his near new Toyota Landcruiser, managed to swim out and Joy Ferguson took him to Mrs Pasquals. Toyota was a write off.
02-04-1989 Flood in creek, Les Cochrane stayed the night at Fergusons and Colin took him home next morning around through the paddocks.
03-04-1989 Ella McKinnon (wife of Duncan Leslie) died.
04-04-1989 Alec Thompson and Duncan Ferguson pulled John Alan’s Toyota out of the creek, it was full of gravel, even around the motor.
16-04-1989 Police and S E S personal tried to get food to "River Ron” (he lived in a hut where the High Top fire trail crosses the Turon). The river was too high so they contacted C Ferguson and he took 2 S E S men down the High Top trail with food for Ron , he was in good shape.
08-05-1989 C Ferguson had an operation on his hand.
00-07-1989 Ross Reeks dozer in the area working for various ones.

23-07-1989	Stan Wilkinson passed away at Portland.
24-07-1989	Snow.
27-07-1989	Stan Wilkinson buried at Pipers Flat.
08-08-1989	Snow.
10-08-1989	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons
24-08-1989	Snow.
31-08-1989	Arthur Hansard buried at Bathurst.(he was married to Tom Fergusons daughter Ruth.)
06-10-1989	Small fire at Sliding Rock.
27-10-1989	Flora Smith (nee Ferguson) passed away at Rockhampton Q.
03-12-1989	Bush Fire equipment day at Capertee crossing.
31-12-1989	New Years Eve party at Fergusons , 38 people there.
00-00-1989	Mike Richards sold Soapsuds block to John Cortis.

1990 Rainfall 1280 mm, 5120 ins.

RAIN 1990	(Points	mm
Jan	406	101
Feb	600	150
Mar	180	45
Apr	1282	320
May	274	68
Jun	224	56
Jul	580	145
Aug	970	242
Sep	138	34
Oct	382	95
Nov	24	6
Dec	60	15
	5120 ins	1280 mm
1988	3550	887
1989	3528	882

11-01-1990	Bush fire meeting at C Fergusons
13-01-1990	Cochrans 25th "do" at Sofala Cafe
24-02-1990	Sally Fergusons 21st birthday party at "Oaks"
20-04-1990	Floods
00-05-1990	Ross Reeks in the area with his dozer
28-06-1990	Snow
06-07-1990	Snow
24-07-1990	Heavy rain, Ian Shumack had to go home from Bill Shumacks via Limekilns and S E S brought Cochrans from Bathurst to Fergusons
25-07-1990	C Ferguson took Cochrans home through paddocks
02-08-1990	Big flood in creek, 115mm overnight, floods across the State
05-08-1990	Snow and rain
00-08-1990	Landslides
00-08-1990	Bogs started in road, Martins causeway damaged and Theobalds causeway washed away.
14-08-1990	Bush fire meeting at C Fergusons
22-08-1990	Snow
25-08-1990	Snow
00-08-1990	Ross Reeks on fire trails in Tobins Oakey
21-09-1990	Cochrans place on the market.
27-09-1990	Two Boy Scouts lost on hike down Turon, Chris & Colin Ferguson found them near the "Glebe"
00-09-1990	Bill Shumack building new woolshed
21-10-1990	Dogs killing sheep in Tobins Oakey
00-10-1990	Mail started to get through again , the first time for 4 months because of the bogs. The council worked on them on and off all that time with little results
01-11-1990	Bob Standing put off work at "Bingletree"
15-11-1990	Cochrane's place went to auction , passed in at $162,000.00
25-11-1990	Fire equipment inspection at creek crossing on Capertee road.
08-12-1990	24 people at Fire Brigade B B Q and training videos at C Fergusons.
10-12-1990	Dogs killing sheep in Basin Creek.
13-12-1990	Council started building new causeway at Theobalds crossing
15-12-1990	Fire Brigade drive through head of Oakey / Black Mt. to get to know the area, 11 people went.
16-12-1990	Duncan Ferguson in Lithgow Hospital from a "bite" from an unknown spider.
23-12-1990	C Ferguson in hospital with blood clot.
26-12-1990	Alec & Sarah Thompson had a son George.
31-12-1990	2 dingo cross dogs sighted in Tobins Oakey
31-12-1990	20 odd people at C Fergusons for New Years Eve.

1991 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 728 mm, 2911 ins

RAIN 1991	Points	mm
Jan	362	90
Feb	39	9
Mar	136	34
Apr	32	8
May	210	52
Jun	310	77
Jul	396	99
Aug	462	115
Sap	242	60
Oct	114	28
Nov	127	32
Dec	481	104
	2911 ins	728 mm

01-01-1991	Dogs killing sheep in Prussian Gully.
10-01-1991	Lighting started fire on Dark Corner Mt. 8 P O men attended.
10-01-1991	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons.
12-01-1991	Duncan and Chris Ferguson had a daughter Matilda.
06-04-1991	Dogs killing sheep in Morcombe's
09-04-1991	"Snow" Grabham passed away.
17-04-1991	Red setter dog sighted at Morcombes
22-04-1991	Fergusons shot and buried 1100 "surplus" sheep due to drought and low prices for sheep.
00-05-1991	Ross Reeks working in area with his dozer.
22-06-1991	Mining Co took up lease on Moonlight, M Cosgrove, A.Wilkinson , Therese Cock and C Ferguson to Sofala to see Company reps & mining warden
00-07-1991	Worst feed drought known in this area most places feeding, some people shooting sheep , others just letting them die.
00-07-1991	Dogs killing in Tobins Oakey, 200 1080 baits laid.
22-07-1991	Shire gravelling roads.
30-07-1991	Sean Mayall shot a dog that was killing sheep on "Warrie" in Murdering Gully, it was 52 ins long and 25 ins high, its mate got away.
03-08-1991	Party at Peters for Maries 40th birthday.
15-08-1991	Stuart Ferguson shot and wounded a dog as it was killing a sheep in Basin Creek
15-08-1991	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons.
03-09-1991	Greg Brabham saw a dog in "Sugadoaf killing lambs,
06-09-1991	Lachlan Guihot's funeral in Bathurst.
08-09-1991	Dogs killing sheep in "Spencers" across river.
17-09-1991	Duncan Ferguson saw wild dog in "Spencers"
22-09-1991	Wind blew roof off garage at "Nebo".
02-10-1991	Len Munro had operation in Sydney , tumour behind eye.
05-10-1991	Clive Munro to Bathurst Hospital with heart attack.
12-10-1991	Bobby Shumacks 70th birthdar party in Bathurst.
10-11-1991	Frost, -3c at "Nebo"
10-11-1991	Fire equipment check at Capertee crossing on creek
14-11-1991	Clive Munro had operation on his heart in Sydney.
23-11-1991	Les Cochran's 70th birthday party at Sunny Corner hall.
24-11-1991	24 people went on a drive down the Turon River fire trail to check the trail and to get to know the area.
05-12-1991	Dogs killing sheep in Prussian Gully.
05-12-1991	Bill Shumack had a heart attack and Tony Lynch took him to Bathurst Hospital.
00-00-1991	Up until June there were a large number of trout in the creek, but by Sept. there were only a very small number left. The creek did not stop flowing and there was no sign of dead fish.
00-00-1991	The trees growing on the mountains lost a lot of their leaves and from the road going up Mt. Horrible it was possible to see through the canopy , but by the end of Dec. a lot of new growth is appearing.

1992 Palmers Oakey Rainfall, 3900 ins 937 mm

	Points	mm
Jan	429	107
Feb	602	150
Mar	240	60
Apr	62	15
May	101	25
Jun	122	31
Jul	117	29
Aug	314	78
Sep	272	68
Oct	297	74
Nov	242	61
Dec	1102	275
	3900 ins	973 mm
1988	3550	887
1989	528	882
1990	5120	1280
1991	2911	728

16-01-1992 Bush fire meeting at C Fergusons
18-01-1992 C Ferguson in hospital with hip problem
22-01-1992 Stuart Ferguson shot 2 dogs in Prussian Gully
28-01-1992 Dogs chased sheep through fence in Bald Hill
29-01-1992 Josie Wilkinson passed away at home in Portland
03-02-1992 Josie Wilkinson's funeral at Portland, buried at Pipers Flat
15-02-1992 Bill Elbourn passed away at Gosford
15-02-1992 William Clissold passed away.
17-02-1992 Joan Bone sold "The Hill" to Randy Desmond ($110,000?)
07-03-1992 Lyndal Maloney passed away
16-03-1992 Bush fire equipment inspection by council
24-03-1992 Dogs killing at Bald Hill
00-04-1992 Bill Shumack had a heart operation in Sydney.
26-04-1992 C Ferguson shot 2 dogs that were killing sheep in Back Creek
27-04-1992 Locals and council making corners wider on Mt Horrible
03-05-1992 110 sheep stolen from "Nebo"
24-05-1992 Eric Morcombe shot dog near his hut.
06-06-1992 Frost -9c
00-06-1992 Ross Reeks dozing fire trails
11-06-1992 Sean Mayall shot a dog that was killing goats in Murdering Gully
23-07-1992 Car dumped and burnt over side of Mt Horrible just above Drag Hollow
27-08-1992 Bush fire meeting at C Fergusons
04-09-1992 Mrs Kables funeral at Bathurst. (Bobbie Shumack mother)
10-10-1992 Bush fire exercise at Turon Gates and Capertee, 5 from P 0 attended
25-10-1992 Franks-Theobald reunion at Martins
07-11-1992 C Ferguson shot 2 dogs in Pudden Creek
29-11-1992 Bush fire equipment inspection at Capertee crossing
01-12-1992 Mrs W Ferguson into hospital
22-12-1992 Lighting struck power line at Bill Shumacks
24-12-1992 Martins causeway washed out
29-12-1992 Council repaired Martins causeway



What was a Causeway Wilandra in background

1993 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 649 mm 2598 ins
05.01.93 Locals laid out 1500 baits (1080) for feral dogs
21.01.93 Bush fire meeting at C Fergusons
22.02.93 Jean Munro died at Bathurst
25.02.93 Meeting at "Warrie" to form a feral dog association, A Thompson Pres. M Peters Sec.
08.03.93 Dogs killing sheep in Prussian Gully, C Ferguson shot one
09.03.93 C Ferguson shot one more dog in Prussian Gully
16.03.93 Mrs Tom Ferguson (nee Papworth) died.
17.03.93 Merle Shumack's funeral in Bathurst
13.04.93 Dogs killing sheep in Prussian Gully
24.04.93 Leo Palmer (Mt Horrible) died at the wheel of his ute (at bread & butter flat) on his way home to Peel.
03.05.93 Working bee on new fire truck Mitsubishi)
25.05.93 Dogs killing sheep m Prussian Gully
03.06.93 Duncan & Chris Ferguson on trip to West Aust
00.06.93 Jennings building new brick house on "The Bluff"
12.06.93 Snowed
14.06.93 C Munro saw dog in Sugarloaf paddock
15.06.93 Sheep killed in Bald Hill
16.06.93 Two dogs seen near Drag Hollow
17.06.93 Working bee on new fire truck
07.07.93 Jean Mc Kinnons funeral in Bathurst
11.07.93 Dogs attacking sheep in Bald Hill

00.08.93 Erasamis sold “Horse Shoe Bend” to Robsons
04.08.93 Light snow on Mountains
12.08.93 Bush fire brigade meeting at C Fergusons
03.10.93 Neil Galaway and Chris Barker married at “Scotts Warrie”
09.10.93 Train arrived at Horseshoe Bend, Robsons set up an old train carriage for “Tich” Schoefield to live in
25.10.93 Red dog seen in Scotchie
03.11.93 Bruce Mc Leay buried at Bathurst
08.11.93 Sheep mauled by dogs in Bald Hill
19.11.93 Small red dog seen. in Red Hill paddock
08.12.93 Alec Thompson shot 2 dogs and saw one more killing sheep in Fiddlers Gully
08.12.93 Don Nash buried at Bathurst
12.12.93 Fire equipment inspection at rec ground
17.12.93 Clarrie Cupitt died in Sydney
19.12.93 Les Me Kinnon died
30.12.93 Bush fire at Davis’ at the back of L Munro’s

1994 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 501 mm 2004 ins
03.01.94 Lighting started 2 fires on Mt Horrible
04.01.94 Fire
05.01.94 Fire. Norm Anthes killed by falling tree.
06.01.94 Fire
10.01.94 Norm Anthes funeral in Lithgow

Fire at Mount Horrible

(Taken from NSW Rural Fire Service Report)

On Monday the 3rd January, 1994 a dry lightning storm passed through the Bathurst area in the late afternoon.

At about 1815hrs a landowner Mr. John. Martin was on his property when the dry thunder storm occurred. The storm was accompanied by a tremendous amount of lightning which caused him to check for fires in his area. He rode his motor cycle to the top of a hill on his property and saw a very small fire north west at Mount Horrible.

At 1820hrs he reported the fire to the Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade.

At the same time the Fire Control Centre for Evans Shire Council received a number of reports of fire caused by lightning strikes.

There were two fires at Mount Horrible. The first was a small fire on the northern side of Mount Horrible Road which was quickly suppressed by the Wattle Flat Brigade after it had destroyed a small amount of natural bushland.

The main fire was on the southern side of Mount Horrible Road, in Winburndale Nature Reserve, an area controlled by the N.S.W. National Parks and Wildlife Service. This is the same area where Mr. John Martin saw the lightning strike and, where shortly after, the first fire was seen.

This point is at Grid Reference South 331368 and East 1494846 in Winburndale Nature Reserve about 500 metres from Palmers Oakey Road.

Personnel fought the fires until approximately 1530hrs on 4/1/94 when very strong winds increased the fire intensity causing it to jump over the back burn put in by firefighters. The fire was then considered dangerous and in the circumstances firefighting was abandoned.

During the day of the 4th January 1994, bulldozers were used to establish fire breaks, together with hand constructed fire trails, back burning and aerial water bombing. This led to the bush fire being contained, having destroyed approximately 50 hectares of the Winburndale Nature Reserve.

The bush fire was effectively controlled by the combined efforts of the Evans Shire Bush Fire Brigades, N.S.W. NPWS Officers and Forestry Officers, assisted by personnel from the Lithgow Bush Fire Brigades.

During the evening of the January 4, Brigades and other personnel were deployed to mop up the area which had been contained. Mopping up consisted of raking the ashes back into the fire; breaking up stumps and carrying them back into the burnt ground. It also included knocking burning bark off trees; cutting burning trees down into burnt areas in steep and rough terrain. It was at this fire that a volunteer firefighter was killed.

04.03.94 Ruby McLeay buried
30.04.94 Stuart Ferguson married Annie Morris at Bathurst
25.05.94 Locals laid out 2225 poison baits for dogs (1080
30.05.94 Sally Marks funeral
06.06.94 Tony Lynch called Capertee Police re C Ferguson taking his cattle, (they were Mrs W Fergusons)
07.07.94 Tony Soar sold Lyrebird Farm to Ludwicks $57,000-00?
04.08.94 Bush fire meeting at C Fergusons. Bill Shumack resigned as Capt. & Alec Thompson elected Capt. Bill Shumack Peter Jennings & Duncan Ferguson Dep. Caps.
28.08.94 Fire at Coolamigal
29.08.94 Fire
30.08.94 Fire
08.09.94 C Ferguson shot 4 young dogs and 2 got away in Prussian Gully
26.10.94 Fire at Turon Gates, shed burnt out.
31.10.94 Clive Munro home from hospital with new hip
13.11.94 Fire equipment inspection at rec. ground. Bill Shumack gave "talk" on call-out procedure, new FCO Andy Heatley called in.Bill was not happy he had not been involved in the fire at Turon Gates.
25.12.94 One inch of rain for Xmas Bottom end of creek dry all year, Turon has stopped flowing

Inquiry into bushfire at Mount Horrible

Inquest into the death of Norman John Anthes

On Monday the 3rd January,1994 a dry lightning storm passed through the Bathurst area in the late afternoon. At about 6.15pm Mr. John Martin was on his property, “Sunset”, Dark Corner via Bathurst, when dry thunder storms occurred. The storm was accompanied by a tremendous amount of lightning which caused Mr. Martin to check for fires in his area. He proceeded on his motor cycle to the top of a hill on his property and saw a very small fire north west at Mount Horrible. At 6.20pm Mr. Martin reported the fire to Mr. Bill Shumack who called out the Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade. Mr Shumack then went to a vantage point and confirmed the report and location of the fire.

At the same time Mr. Jeff Larsen, Deputy Fire Control Officer for Evans Shire Council received a number of reports of fire caused by lightning strikes. He flew the area in an aeroplane and identified two fires at Mount Horrible. He relayed the information to Evans Shire Bush Fire Control giving them grid references. Mr. Dennis Ratcliffe, Fire Control Officer for Evans Shire Council, directed three brigades to

the Mount Horrible area directing Mr. Henry Earle, Group Captain, Evans Bush Fire Brigade, to take control on arrival. The evidence establishes that there were two fires at Mount Horrible. The first was a small fire on the northern side of Mount Horrible Road which was quickly suppressed by the Wattle Flat Brigade after it had destroyed a small amount of natural bushland. The main fire subject to this Inquiry was on the southern side of Mount Horrible Road, in Winburndale Nature Reserve, an area controlled by the N.S.W. National Parks and Wildlife Service.

The evidence establishes that Mr. Shumack, on the 20th January,1994, went to this area and directed Det. Senior Sergeant Horn of the Crime Scene Unit, to an area on the western ridge on Mount Horrible. He has deposed that the area he indicated to Det. Sgt. Horn was where he first saw the fire at about 7.45p.m. on 3.1.94 when he arrived to suppress it. This is the same area where Mr. John Martin observed the lightning strike and where shortly after he saw a fire.

The evidence establishes this point to be Grid Reference South 331368 and East 1494846 in Winburndale Nature Reserve.

The main area of the fire is shown on a map Exhibit 3, and the point where the fire originated has been marked on that map.

There is evidence that on the 20/1/1994 Mr. Shumack, with Det Sgt Horn and Fire Brigade Officer Easy, searched the area and found a tree in the vicinity of where he had initially observed the fire on arrival at the scene. He believed the tree he had seen was one struck by lightning but the evidence revealed it had apparently later been damaged by the fire. Photographs 24-34 of Exhibit 4 show the tree and the surrounding area. Photograph 35 of Exhibit 4 was taken from the area looking west across the gully showing unburnt bushland which was similar to the bushland destroyed by the fire. Burnt bushland, and the charred remains of the tree and stump are shown in a video, Exhibit 5.

The Court is satisfied, on the balance of probability, that the bush fire at Mount Horrible originated on the 3rd January,1994 on the Western side of a ridge grid reference South 331368 and East 149.48.46 in Winburndale Nature Reserve, an area described as being about 500 metres from Palmers Oakey Road, Mount Horrible.

The Court is further satisfied that the Bush Fire was caused by a lightning strike, then and there.

The Bush Fire Brigades fought the fires until approximately 3.30am when very strong winds increased the fire intensity causing it to jump over the back burn put in by fire fighters. The fire was then considered dangerous and in the circumstances fire fighting was abandoned.

During the day of the 4th January,1994, bulldozers were used to establish fire breaks, together with hand constructed fire trails, back burning and aerial water bombing which led to the bush fire being contained, it having destroyed approximately 50 hectares of the Winburndale Nature Reserve.

The bush fire was effectively controlled by the combined efforts of the Evans Shire Bush Fire Brigades, N.S.W. National Parks & Wildlife Service Officers, Forestry Officers, assisted by personnel from the Lithgow Bush Fire Brigades. The evidence establishes that an effective incident management team took control of the fire fighting operation.

During the evening of the 4.1.94, Brigades and other personnel were deployed to mop up the area which had been contained. Mopping up consisted of raking the ashes back into the fire; busting up stumps and carrying them back into the burnt ground. It also included knocking burning bark off trees; cutting burning trees down into burnt areas in steep and rough terrain.

Mr. Peter Myler, N.S.W. National Parks & Wildlife Service, took command for the night shift and placed his resources in sectors. The Sunny Corner Brigade with Lithgow Brigade were in the eastern sector; Wattle Flat Brigade were on the northern sector carrying out back burning; Forestry crews were on the western sector and National Parks crews were on the southern sector.

Graham Blowes was the Group Captain of the Lithgow Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades who were at the fire during the day of 4.1.94. He left the fire at about 7.30 pm and thereafter was represented by Deputy Group Captain John O'Farrel. Arrangements were made for relief crews from Wallerawang, South Bowenfels and Lowther to be used during the night.

Norman John Anthes was one of the four deputy captains of the South Bowenfels Bush Fire Brigade. On the 4th January,1994 between 5 pm & 7 pm, he attended the Royal Hotel, South Bowenfels where he consumed a quantity of alcohol. At about 7.30pm he met a fellow Brigade member, Mr. Allan Lindsay, and they had a beer together.

Mr. Anthes received a telephone call which led to them meeting with Keith Wiseman and Damien Harpley at the Bush Fire shed. At about 8pm they all proceeded by a Mitsubishi four wheel drive tanker to Mount Horrible arriving at about 10pm. On arrival they reported to Mr. O'Farrel who deployed them to mopping up duties. Mr. Anthes and Mr. Lindsay were allocated to assist the Sunny Corner Brigade in the eastern sector, where Mr. Hugh Metcalf was in charge. Mr. O'Farrel remained on top of the ridge with a radio to keep in contact with the two groups who had portables.

The evidence establishes that the area Messrs. Anthes, Lindsay, Metcalf & others went to was an area known as Larkin Gully, Mount Horrible. They negotiated an extremely steep slope which had loose ground underfoot and a flinty rock type surface. At the time it was very dark and they had one torch between them. Mr. Anthes was carrying a chain saw and Mr. Lindsay a rake.

There was a huge tree burning in the area which was being sprayed with water by Sunny Corner fire fighters. When most of the water had been used, it was noticed that the tree was still alight so Mr. Lindsay tried with Mr. Anthes to scrape the burning bark away.

On initial assessment, Messrs Lindsay and Anthes determined that it was too dangerous to fell the tree because of the slope of the terrain, the loose footing and safety factors associated with an escape route from the tree as it was being felled.

Later there was discussion between Mr. Anthes and Mr. Metcalf where, according to Mr. Metcalf, Mr. Anthes indicated he would fell the tree into the burnt area. Mr. Metcalfe held the torch whilst Mr. Anthes operated the chain saw. Others present had moved away to a safe area, their view of the operation being obstructed.

Mr. Metcalf and Mr. Anthes brought their minds to bear on an escape route and on the fact that the lean of the tree was uphill. According to Mr. Metcalf there was agreement that the tree could be felled up the hill without difficulty.

Mr. Anthes cut a scarf in the side of the tree facing up the hill. He had to cut it from both sides of the tree because of the size of the tree and the darkness. They agreed Metcalf would watch the trunk and tap Mr. Anthes on the shoulder when the tree was going to fall so they could use the escape route previously planned. Mr. Metcalf held onto the back pocket of the overalls of Mr. Anthes and when the tree started to fall indicated for the him to stop. Mr. Anthes stopped but did not move so as to retreat via the escape route.

The evidence establishes that the falling tree hit the cliff above, moved sideways and as it slid down the hill hit Mr. Anthes around the chest. Mr. Anthes rolled down the hill with the trunk of the tree.

Mr. Anthes received severe injuries to the chest when he was struck by the trunk of that tree on the 4.1.94 at about 11.40pm at Mount Horrible as he was carrying out his duties as a volunteer bush fire fighter.

The Court is satisfied prompt and proper attention was given to Mr. Anthes in an endeavour to revive him, however on the balance of probabilities Mr. Anthes died on about the 4.1.94 at Mount Horrible.

Sergeant McFarland was notified in the early hours of 5.1.94 which caused him, with Det Const 1/c Keogh, to attend the scene. Detective Keogh took photographs and examined the scene (see exhibit 4). The deceased body was then removed to Bathurst Base Hospital.

The evidence establishes that the deceased has been identified as Norman John Anthes and that a postmortem examination was carried out on his body on 6.1.94 by Dr. Harold Lukse which established the deceased had received severe chest injuries with a ruptured thoracic aorta. The examination also disclosed a fractured femur, several tears to the pleural surfaces, multiple rib fractures, a ruptured liver and a fracture of the spine. The Court is satisfied that the deceased died from Multiple injuries.

An analysis of the deceased's blood established the presence of 0.104 grams of alcohol per 100 ml of blood at the time of death.

During evidence witnesses Messrs. Blowes, Martin & Hall had submitted statements which were critical of the hazard reduction practices of the N.S.W. National Parks & Wildlife Service in Winburndale Nature Reserve where this fire originated. Having regard to the evidence of these witnesses after cross examination, and having considered the evidence of Mr. Woodhall of the N.P.& W.L.S. and Exhibit 8 - (Fire Management Report, Winburndale Nature Reserve), the Court is satisfied such criticism was unwarranted. There is evidence of a long standing joint State Forest-National Parks fuel management plan in respect of the Winburndale Nature Reserve which demonstrates active hazard reduction strategies directed toward protection of identified assets considered to be at risk.

Mr D. Ratcliffe was appointed Fire Control Officer for Evans Shire on the 10.12.92. At the time of the fire on the 3.1.94 there was no post 1989 S.41A plan -operational or fuel management - approved by the Coordinating Committee of the Bush Fire Council.

According to the evidence, there were generally narrow windows of opportunity for hazard reduction by burning having regard to the climatic conditions and the unavailability of volunteers to carry out such work. However other forms of reduction, besides the use of fire, were adopted. Bush Fire Brigades would carry out the fuel management works and report back to the District Fire Committee for the Fire Control Officer.

The land managers - National Parks & Wildlife Service and State Forests carried out their own fuel management programmes. Whilst documented details of these land management programmes were not provided to the District Fire Committee, the Fire Control Officer (Mr.Ratcliffe) kept himself informed of the action these land managers were taking in this regard. This was confirmed by Mr. Woodhall from the N.P.& W.L.S. Mr. Ratcliffe, as Fire Control Officer, had not received complaints from land managers or other persons concerning heavy fuel loads and he was satisfied that there had been cooperative fuel management activity.

In respect of the Winburndale Nature Reserve, National Parks with State Forests, had a co-operative fuel management plan which was directed towards identification and protection of assets, particularly pine forests. (Exhibit 8).

In respect of this bush fire, there was demonstrated a co-operative fire fighting effort which led to a reasonably early containment of the fire.

The Fire Control Officer, Mr. Ratcliffe conceded that there was a need to audit his fire district to identify interfaces with assets at risk with a view to developing a fuel management approach to those identified areas. He agreed this required co-operative fuel management planning with other land managers and agencies bring all the information together in a Section 41A Plan. He agreed such information needs to be kept up to date and to carry out this work there would be a need for the employment of a full time mitigation officer.

Mr. Woodhall (NP & WLS) agreed that whilst information was orally exchanged, there is now a realisation that land managers need to exchange written records a lot more than had been happening. There was agreement that if all interchanged information was kept in a central register, all parties involved in fire fighting operations would have a better understanding of the hazard reduction work that had been carried out.

Wildfire History could also be included with the hazard reduction information.

In the Courts opinion, all this information should be consolidated in a plan which is specific in detail and, together with the Police Displan should, when approved, be placed on public display. In the Courts opinion, public display of Section 41A plans would have at least these major functions:

Make the public aware of the detail of the plan which impacts on them:

a) in preparation of their premises/property in accordance with the fuel management component.

b) and informing them of how operations during an emergency effect them.

Serves to make the District Fire Committee accountable in carrying out their function.

It is the Courts opinion that:

Specific disclosure of all land managers fuel management programmes in Section 41.A plans would serve to properly and accurately inform not only members of the public but also all those participating in the plan. Those people would not then be ignorant of detail and unwarranted criticism, as raised in this case by Messrs. Martin, Blowes & Hall, would probably not occur.

In respect of the Mount Horrible bush fire there was a quick response and co-operative fire fighting which contained it to a minor bush fire. No declaration was made under the provisions of Section 41.F of the Bush Fires Act, 1949.

Where volunteer fire fighters, and others required to fight fires by reason of their employment, are required to be placed at risk of injury during those activities, an ambulance should be on site or nearby. The activity of these persons being deployed at night time into hazardous areas with expectations of felling trees with the aid of one torch was in fact such a situation of risk.

It is noticed that Mr. Woodhall, on the evening of 4.1.94 had requested the Fire Control Officer, Mr. Ratcliffe, to have an ambulance in attendance for the morning of 5.1.94. Unfortunately, this fatality occurred without such ambulance being on standby, however, having regard to Mr. Anthes injuries, the presence of the ambulance was not likely to change the outcome. There were qualified persons on the scene quickly who were unable to revive the deceased.

Further, in the Courts opinion:

Where bush fires, or other fires, assume or are likely to assume, proportions whereby there is risk of injury or death to fire fighters,or fire fighters are to undertake hazardous duties, an ambulance should be available on site.

The use of one torch to fell a tree, in the circumstances established in this Inquiry, was not sufficient to carry out the operation in a safe manner. Felling of trees at night should only be conducted of necessity for safety reasons or to prevent a fire escaping containment lines and then only in circumstances where flood lighting is provided.

Whilst the evidence, on the balance of probability, did not in the case of Mr. Anthes, establish that his capacity to carry out his duties was adversely affected by the alcohol he consumed, this issue should be the subject of continuing education for volunteer bush fire fighters. Such officers who are on call for duty should not consume alcohol.

If they do, they should not proceed onto duty immediately thereafter or remain on call. They should make arrangements for others to be on call. The proper authority should impress upon volunteer bush fire Brigade members that the ingestion of alcohol or drugs can adversely affect motor skills which can put themselves or others at risk of injury in the workplace.

The evidence also established that there were problems with communications which are being addressed by the Fire Control Officer Mr. Ratcliffe.

Mr. Ratcliffe impressed the Court as a dedicated Fire Control Officer who expressed genuine concern in respect of the conflicts that arise having regard to the fact that he is employed by Council and is also bound by the provisions of the Bush Fires Act, 1949 to answer to the Department of Bush Fire Services. This is an issue raised during the course of other inquiries and will be considered by the Court when making recommendations under Section 22A of the Coroners Act, 1980.

FINDING - BUSH FIRE AT MOUNT HORRIBLE

I find that on the 3rd January, 1994 about 50 hectares of bushland in the Winburndale Nature Reserve at Mount Horrible was destroyed by fire which originated in that reserve approximately 500 metres from Palmers Oakey Road as a result of a lightning strike then and there.

Death of Norman John Anthes

Mr. Norman John Anthes was a Deputy Captain of the South Bowenfels Bush Fire Brigade who attended the bush fire in the Winburndale Nature Reserve, an area under the Control of the N.S.W. National Parks & Wildlife Service at Mount Horrible. He attended there in the course of his duty as a volunteer Bush Fire Brigade Officer. Mr. Anthes, with others, was engaged in mopping up procedures shortly after 11.30pm on 4.1.94 in a gully when he decided to fell a tree with a chain saw.

The evidence satisfies the Court it was necessary to fell the tree because of the risk the burning tree posed to the surrounding unburnt area in inaccessible terrain. That is, it posed a risk of fire escaping beyond containment lines.

In the Courts opinion, the evidence established that it was a reasonable view to be taken by those present that there may have been spot fires from the tree into ravines and inaccessible terrain.

The actions of Mr. Anthes, who was shown to be a competent chain saw operator, were taken after considerable deliberation. There is evidence that he and Mr. Metcalf took into account the dangers involved, after others had referred to such dangers. They took into account safely precautions, including the provision of a safety escape route from the falling tree. On the balance of probability, the fact that the tree was leaning uphill, close to the cliff face, with part of the canopy burnt away caused the tree, when felled, to react in such a way that the trunk came back into Mr. Anthes. This caught him unawares and he was not able to make good his escape.

There is no evidence that the motor skills or the capacity of Mr. Anthes to carry out the tasks allotted to him were adversely affected by the alcohol he had consumed. The uncontradicted evidence of Dr. Moynihan, an expert Forensic Pharmacologist, on a review of all the evidence on the issue of alcohol affectation, confirmed that the deceased was not affected to any degree where he could not carry out his duties.

The evidence, on the balance of probabilities satisfied the Court that death took place on or about the 4th January, 1994 at Mount Horrible as a result of multiple injuries.

FINDING - NORMAN JOHN ANTHES

I find that the deceased has been identified as Norman John Anthes and that he died on or about 4th January, 1994 at Mount Horrible from Multiple Injuries sustained then and there when he was crushed by a tree he was felling as a volunteer bush fire brigade officer in the course of his duties in the Winburndale Nature Reserve during a bush fire.

1995 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 629.5 mm, 2518 ins

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19-01-1995	Bush Fire Meeting at C Fergusons.
21-01-1995	Dogs killing (14 sheep) in Back Creek, same two dogs as above.
25-01-1995	Dogs killing sheep in Black Mt & Back Creek
03-02-1995	Peter Jennings & C.Ferguson working on site for cairn on Mt Horrible
14-02-1995	Cairn for Norm Anthes put in place on Mt Horrible
16-02-1995	Mrs Pasqual's husband Mr Palooka buried.
23-02-1995	Sheep torn in Back Creek
00-02-1995	Cosgroves 1400 sheep short on "Trelore" since August & 40 short on "Wilandra" in 5 weeks.
00-02-1995	Dingo type bitch in full milk seen at "Bingletrec~'
01-03~1995	Mrs Pasqual's daughter took her life.
03-03-1995	Red dog seen eating a sheep it had just killed in Prussian Gully
13-03-1995	Meeting at C Fergusons re cairn on Mt.
15-03-1995	Amy Tobin died at Gulgong. (she was born at "Kia Ora" on the Turon nee Elbourn).
17-03-1995	Excapee from Kirkconnell Prison Camp at Limekilns
19-03-1995	Cairn in memory of Norm Anthes unveiled on Mt Horrible by Mrs Glenda Anthes, a large crowd , Mick Clough MP Mayors of Lithgow & Evans, reps Bush Fire Council & numerous Brigades.
20-03-1995	Excapee caught at Limekilns
28-03-1995	Len Munro shot a large red dog that was chasing a sheep in Peach Paddock
13-04-1995	Len Munro & McArdles short about 100 sheep each, Fergusons 64.
00-04-1995	Dogs killed 1 sheep Prussian Gully
00-04-1995	Council had Dozer & Grader in the Gulf on road
04-05-1995	Locals , Forestry & NPLS put out 1800 dog baits (1080) in area.
00-05-1995	Chris Brackenrig dozing fire trails in the Turon River area.
11-05-1995	Norm Fuller buried at Capertee (he & his family were at Palmers Oakey in the early 60's)
25-05-1995	SeanMyall & Michell moved into Old Farm (they were at “Warrie” 2 years ago)
17-06-1995	First snow on Mt.
18-06-1995	First frost.
19-06-1995	A Wilkinson missing over 100 sheep, found some with torn lips.
00-06-1995	Report from Piston Broke of dogs howling in the Black Scrub.north of Bingletree
23-06-1995	Sheep bitten in Horse Paddock
29-06-1995	Dogs killed sheep next to Clive Munros orchard.
30-06-1995	Dogs killed sheep in Bulls Gully.
05-07-1995	Frost at Glebe -10c
02-08-1995	Red dog seen in Spencers across Turon
07-08-1995	Dogs killed 2 sheep at A Wilkinsons
28-08-1995	Dogs killed 2 sheep in Bald Hill.
30-08-1995	3 dogs shot at Piston Broke. Opposite Bingletree
00-09-1995	Chris Brackenrig dozing fenceline at Spensers for Greg Bray.
14-10-1995	Clive Munro caught a red dog in a trap near his house but dog left only 3 toes
15-10-1995	80th birthday party for Win Ferguson at “Oaks”
21-10-1995.	Sally Ferguson married Malcolm Robinson, the ceremony was on Engine Hill and then in a marquee on the old tennis court at “Oaks”.
24-11-1995	Large black dingo seen on Mt Horrible road near nature Reserve
00-11-1995	2 red dogs seen in Nature Reserve
00--11-1995	A large yellow dog seen in headwaters of Coolamigal
00-12-1995	Fire vehicles inspected, 2 Toyotas 1 trailer & Mitsubishi to Bathurst & the International 4x4, Sean Myall & Peter Jennings took Lithgow
10-12-1995	Ben Stark shot and wounded while hunting rabbits at Limekilns

19-12-1995 Fergusons 40 lambs missing & some torn since 5-10-95
31-12--1995 Get-together at Fergusons for New Year.

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From C. Ferguson.
Palmers Oakey Via BATHURST 2795

1996 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 873 mm 3492 ins

00-00-1996 During the year Cochrans sold & moved to Eglinton, Peter & Helen Muller moved in.
08-01-1996 Dog seen in Bald Hill
10-01-1996 Peter Jennings had an operation on his neck to remove cyst.
18-01-1996 Bush fire meeting at "Oaks"
20-01-1996 Sheep torn by dogs in Bald Hill
28-01-1996 Sheep killed in Black Mt.
01-02-1996 Fergusons, put out 50 bails (1080) for dogs.
06-02-1996 Petition going around for Council to fix Dark Corner road
10-02-1996 Send off for Helen & Pat at "Warrie"
23-02-1996 Mrs Pasqual ran off the road on back of Mt, Horrible, the car was on its side and Mrs Pasqual was head down on the passengers side. She was saved by Stuart Ferguson getting her out of her car and reviving her. Bill & Bobbie Shumack arrived and took her to Hospital
24-02-1996 Dogs chasing sheep at "Willandra"
28-02-1996 Duncan & Chris Ferguson had a son "Will"
02-03-1996 McLeans arrived at "Nebo' to live
11-03-1996 Black dog seen on Mt Horrible
12-03-1996 Mrs Pasqual plans to sub-divide her place on Mt Horrible & Turon Gates plans to sub-divide Red Hill into 28 blocks
18-03-1996 Dog seen at Dark Corner
27-03-1996 Sheep killed in Bald Hill
13-04-1996 Sheep torn at "Willandra"
14-04-1996 Sheep killed at Clive Munros and dog tracks near "Nebo" woolshed
18-04-1996 Dog tracks on fire trail in Bulls Gully
06-05-1996 Sheep killed in Bald Hill
07-05-1996 Locals , Forestry , RLPB put out 1080 baits .
17-06-1996 Fergusons selling their "Bulls Gully" block to Alec Thompson
18-06-1996 Ozzie Stark buried on the Starks property at Limekilns
26-06-1996 Testing new bush fire radio system
15-07-1996 Bill Shumack rolled his car on Mt Horrible , wrote it off, not badly hurt
25-07-1996 Sheep torn on "Willandra"
30-07--1996 Dogs killed 37 weaners on "Kia-Ora"
01-08-1996 Bush fire meeting at "Oaks"
19-08-1996 Snow. 5 mm
30-08-1996 Heavy rain and wind, killed a lot of shorn sheep
13-10-1996 Bush fire brigade on a drive up Cattlerun trail & met Capertee brigade at the Turon for B-B-Q home via Dark Corner
15-10-1996 Bill Shumack had operation for hernia
00-10-1996 Drilling rig operating in the North -East end of valley
14-11-1996 Joy Ferguson's mother passed away
00-12-1996 Neville Smith taken to R P A Hospital for operation on his head
08-12-1996 Mrs Pasqual moved out of "Sugarloaf , Thompson Bros bought it.
10-12-1996 Dogs killing sheep on "Willandra & "Kelvin", Robsons had them put down.
17-12-1996 Council finished gravelling roads & realining the crossroads.
26-12-1996 Colin Ferguson in hospital with clot in leg

1997 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 498.5 mm 1994 ins

11-01-1997	Fire Brigade meeting at Jennings.
12-02-1997	Flood in Turon , Peter Jennings pulled car out of crossing at junction with Running Stream
16-02-1997	Working bee on Fire Mitsbusihi installing foam maker
11-03-1997	Neville Smith died.
15-05-1997	Locals, NPWS & Forestry put out 1080 baits.
19-05-1997	Ruby Bennett died at Portland
21-05-1997	Ruby Bennett buried at Capertee
06-06-1997	Colin Ferguson flew to New Zealand with OJD Study Group
23-09-1997	Brigade members from PO, Dark Corner and Sunny Corner went on trail drive with NPWS
27-08-1997	Locals put out 300 more 1080 baits
00-09-1997	Council gravelling roads
00-10-1997	Packhams in England for holiday
08-11-1997	Some Fire Brigade members to Gardens of Stone trail drive
29-11-1997	Fires at Lithgow,.
30-11-1997	Fire at Coolamigal on Bill Grabhams, 4 from PO attended
1-6-12-1997	Fires at Lithgow 2 men burnt to death
13-12-1997	Locals get to-gether at Fergusons , 20 people

1998 Palmers Oakey Rainfall 935 mm 3740 ins

06-01-1998	Break-in at John & Marie Peters place "Hillsdale"
22-02-1998	Helen & Peter Muller had a baby daughter
02-03-1998	Utility rolled over on "Contract" corner, no injuries
03-03-1998	Meeting at "Oaks", locals and NPWS re fire plan for Winburndale Reserve
21-03-1998	Wedding at Turon Gates for Sorren's daughter
25-03-1998	Duncan Ferguson found "grass' to the value of $ 1 m in Nature Reserve up the creek above Gang Gang while he was spraying blackberries.
12-05-1998	Bathurst Merino Ass. Field day at "Oaks' & "Warrie"
20-05-1998	Locals, NPWS, Forestry put out 1800 baits for dogs & foxs (1080)
23-05-1998	Fire Brigade meeting at Jennings re brigade constitution
24-05-1998	Working bee on rec ground for bonfire
02-06-1998	Jack Elbourn died.
06-06-1998	150 people at the rec ground for cracker night.
12-07-1998	Meeting of trustees of rec ground
21-07-1998	Small flood in creek
26-07-1998	Stuart and Annie Ferguson had a daughter Stephanie
28-07-1998	Snow
08-08-1998	Bathurst flooded
10-08-1998	Council repairing Martins causeway
20-08-1998	Fire Brigade meeting at Shumacks.
20-08-1998	Brian Bennett found dead, on Mt Horrible, took his own life.
17-09-1998	Win Ferguson taken to hospital
09-10-1998	Phillip Morcombe & Col Ferguson took fire truck P02 to Wang to have modifications done.
28-10-1998	Chris Webb & Col Ferguson clearing fire trails McKinnons Oakey, Tobins Oakey.
22-11-1998	Bush fire exercise "Co-Op" held in area, 18 units, 45 crew & 30+ family at the Rec ground for lunch.
28-11-1998	Xmas party at the new Dark Corner fire shed
11-12-1998	Win Ferguson moved to St Catherines Hostel in Bathurst full time.
29-12-1998	Colin Ferguson to hospital.

1999 Rain 810 mm 3240 points

25-01-1999	"Warrie" on the market.
27-02-1999	Fire meeting at "Peters Fire Shed", decided to dispose of old Inter fire truck & build a fire shed.
13-03-1999	Fire meeting at "Peters Fire Shed", some people not happy re disposal of Inter. Lightning started fire at Sandy Pinch, 8 attended and it burnt about 1 ha.
00-03-1999	Mark Lilly dozing and grading fire trails
00-04-1999	Mark Lilly dozing and grading fire trails
24-04-1999	Meeting at Recreation ground re new fire shed. Decided to build it on an area adjoining the rec ground donated by Fergusons.
11-05-1999	Fox & feral dog baiting by locals & NPWS, Forestry.
06-06-1999	Working bee on rec ground building bonfire
09-06-1999	Win Ferguson had operation on her eye
12-06-1999	Over 100 people at bonfire on rec ground.
14-06-1999.1	Snowed.
16-06-1999	Bill Shumack had operation on his eye.
05-08-1999	Bill Shumack had a fall off his horse and went to hospital with busted ribs.
15-09-1999	Win Ferguson had operation on her other eye. Both good results
02-10-1999	McLeans moved out of "Nebo", to live at Katoomba
24-10-1999	Hamish Thompson had a son, Fergus.

2000 Rainfall 945 mm, 3780 ins.

03-02-2000	John Cortis (past owner of Soapsuds property) died in Sydney, aged 82
08-02-2000	Warrie declared OJD positive
00-02-2000	Duncan Ferguson spraying tussock, St Johns Wort and blackberries at the head of the Turon.
19-03-2000	Joe Di Falco passed away.

24-03-2000 Fergusons sheep tested positive for OJD
08-05-2000 Feral dog baiting day.
23-05-2000 Colin & Joy Ferguson went on an overseas trip.
28-05-2000 Heavy snow, all roads blocked.
21-07-2000 Council rebuilding causeway at Martins
16-08-2000 Snow, 5 ins on Mt.
18-08-2000 Joy Fergusons father passed away.
00-09-2000 George Walker moved into "Nebo"
00-09-2000 C Ferguson leveled site for Fire Shed with David Thompsons dozer
00-10-2000 Working bees fencing Fire Shed site
00-10-2000 New people,(Ellis)bought into Soapsuds property
04-12-2000 Duncan Ferguson and family moved into "Kelvin"
19-12-2000 Helen Muller had a son Adam.
00-12-2000 Desmonds new house being built

2001 Rainfall 518.5mm 2326 ins
15-01-2001 Lightning started fire in Cosgroves, 4 brigades attended, and put under control by dark.
16-01-2001 Fire checked OK
26-01-2001 Duncan Ferguson & family moved to their property at Wanaaring.
21-03-2001 Milton Naylor bought "Oakey Mount" from Len Munro
02-04-2001 Lightning started fire on top of Sugarloaf.
06-04-2001 Fire on Sugarloaf flared up, did not go far.
23-04-2001 Dog and fox baiting with 1080
00-05-2001 Sean Mayall and Kathy left "Old Farm" to go to Queensland
04-05-2001 Colin & Joy Ferguson went to Hong Kong & China
26-05-2001 Big clearing sale at Shumacks at Dark Corner
00-06-2001 Jim & Dallas Bennett building cover over yards at "Oaks" shed
27-06-2001 Jennings off road at Drag Hollow, not hurt
07-07-2001 Win Ferguson passed away in Bathurst Hospital
12-07-2001 Win Ferguson buried in P O cemetery.
13-07-2001 About this time Billy Grabham's house burnt down at Coolamigal
17-08-2001 Light snow on hills.
18-08-2001 Fire brigade AGM held at "Oaks" shed
28-08-2001 Bill Shumack & Clive Munro presented with 50 years bush fire service badges at meeting at Lithgow, (Geoff received Clive's on his behalf)
13-09-2001 Jim & Dallas Bennett started on fire shed.
21-10-2001 Peters put "Hillsdale" on the market.
27-10-2001 Elbourns held reunion
10-11-2001 Fergusons held reduction sale at "Oaks", approx 600 people
01-12-2001 Clearing sale @ "Bandanora" Capertee
00-12-2001 About this time there were break and enters at Peters, Clissolds, Rod Grahams ,and Dark Corner fire shed.
15-12-2001 Fire shed finished.
31-12-2001 17 people at Jennings for New Years do,

2002 Rain 506.5 mm 2027 ins
19-01-2002 Lighting lit fire in tree in "Gullies' in Warrie, Duncan Ferguson, Colin Ferguson and Ron Rayner attended.
20-01-2002 Duncan Ferguson & Phillip Morcombe checking on fire.
08-05-2002 Dog / fox baiting at P O Rec ground, 21 people there.
14-05-2002 Someone poisoned 2 of Fergusons dogs with milk powder and an organo-phosphate using a dead roo as bait.
19-05-2002 Light snow on Mt
28-08-2002 Working bee at cemetery, put numbers on graves and list of "residents"
06-10-2002 Bush Fire trail drive, goat track to river and back through Dark Corner.
24-11-2002 Lighting started fire on Boghole Mt near Bingletree.6 from PO attended. Chopper water bombing.
25-11-2002 Phillip Morcombe and 7 others at fire
26-11-2002 Alec Thompson & Peter Jennings at fire with NPWS in chopper
20-12-2002 Xmas get-together at Warrie
21-12-2002 Fire at head of Oakey near Mt Franklin trail, Alec Thompson, Peter Jennings, Phillip Morcombe and Colin Ferguson .
22-12-2002 Fire at Lochaber Gully, Alec Thompson, Peter Jennings, Philip Morcombe and Colin Ferguson went but were called back as Capertee could handle it.

2003 RAIN 676mm 2704ins
07-01-2003 Bushfire in Turon Park alongside High Top fire trail, Alec Thompson, Chris Schoefield, Duncan Ferguson and Colin Ferguson attended and put under control by 11-00pm
14-01-2003 Andy Shumack brought his excavator out started cleaning out dams on "Kimberley"
15-01-2003 Fergusons using Gough & Gilmores excavator cleaning out dams.
24-01-2003 Ferguson using dozer to make water holes to pump water to Munro's & Ferguson's.
29-04-2003 O J D day at Fergusons, approx 40 people.
08-05-2003 Dog / fox baiting day at P O Rec ground, 1625 baits put out
07-06-2003 Bonfire at P O Rec ground, approx 50 people, cold and windy night.
00-07-2003 Horse Shoe Bend and Stoney Gully sold.
03-08-2003 Fire Brigade AGM. Decided to "give away" area across the Turon.
25-08-2003 Titch & Dulsie Schoefield moved out of "Horse Shoe Bend" to Bathurst
27-08-2003 Elma Theobald passed away.
31-08-2003 Ron Wicks son Ben found dead in bath at "Old Farm".
31-08-2003 Mary Stark passed away.

22-09-2003 Geoff Munro to Sydney for liver transplant.
22-09-2003 "Train" from Horse Shoe Bend left for Dubbo.
27-09-2003 Mullers and Therese Cock had an argument over fencing, police called.
02-10-2003 Chopper spraying tussock on Shumacks, Hydes and Lunroes.
00-10-2003 About this time NPWS bought "Sugarloaf" & "Bulls Gully" from Thompsons.
11-11-2003 Bill Shumack passed away about 9-00am in his shearing shed sitting in a chair.
00-11-2003 Brad McLaughlan (Tobins Oakey) died when his six wheeler bike rolled on him
01-12-2003 Terry Bennett passed away.
15-12-2003 Mail deliveries increased to 3 per week, Mon, Wed, Fri.
19-12-2003 Xmas get-together at Warrie
31-12-2003 20 people at Fergusons for New Year do.

2004 Rain. 684 mm 2736 ins.
00-01-2004 New fire truck for brigade. Canter 7B
11-01-2004 Fire trail drive, Mt Horrible, Peppermint Slide, Trig, Olfensons, Ron Ellis, Susan Murray, Peter Jennings, Phil Morcombe, Joy & Col Ferguson
27-03-2004 B-B-Q at Fire Shed. Shed officially opened by Bobbie Shumack. Clive Munro unveiled Plaque. 70 people attended.
02-05-2004 Put quick fill pump on trailer at Fire Shed
11-05-2004 Dog baiting program
12-06-2004 B-B-Q at Fire Shed, 40 people
04-07-2004 Fire Trail drive, Kia-Ora, Cattlerun, 15 people
14-07-2004 Police Bomb Squad on Fergusons disposing of explosives.
25-07-2004 Ron Ellis & Susan Murray planting trees in Recreation ground
26-07-2004 Tony Lynch "upset" with Fergusons for running sheep on Horseshoe Bend, he claimed his water would be contaminated with OJD.
01-08-2004 Fire Brigade AGM no major changes.
08-08-2004 Meeting at Dark Corner re local roads.
02-10-2004 B-B-Q at Fire Shed, 40 people
05-11-2004 Heavy rain. Sorron Lunro washed off bridge at Turon Gates. OK
09-11-2004 John & Marie Peters returned to "Hillsdale" to live.
15-11-2004 Geoff Munro back working for Forestry.
04-12-2004 Get-to-gether at Fergusons to welcome Peters back, 12 people, Desmonds, Jennings, Ron & Susan, McLanders.
17-12-2004 Fire at "Bingletree" started by lightning hit power pole a week earlier. Alec and Waldo Thompson, John Peters, Peters Jennings, Ron Ellis, Col Ferguson also 2 units from Wattle Flat. Burnt about 8 ha.
There was a Xmas party at "Warrie" that evening
31-12-2004 New Years party at :Soapsuds"

2005 RAIN. 879 mm 3516 ins
07-02-2005 Two reps from Lithgow Council and 11 locals had a meeting at Fergusons re local roads.
20-03-2005 Clowns from Bathurst went through stealing mail boxes. Ran off road at hairpin bend and dumped their loot.
09-04-2005 Two people in small van ran off road on Church Hill
16-04-2005 Peter Jennings and Phill Morcombe to burn off at Dark Corner with several brigades.
13-05-2005 Dog baiting 2800 baits put out. Ron Ellis and Paul Holden had their men wire the fire shed.
28-05-2005 Intergal Energy men connected power to fire shed as a public service.
06-07-2005 Ron Ellis bought "Knights Gully" from Peters.
24-07-2005 Fire at Shumacks house paddock, quick local response
07-08-2005 Bush fire AGM no changes
29-08-2005 Jim & Dallas Bennett put toilet up at fire shed.
03-10-2005 Ron Ellis bought "Hillsdale" $290,000
24-10-2005 Ian Bignall plumbed Fire Shed toilet
29-10-2005 About 80 people here for internment of Frank Theobalds ashes at the cemetery, then lunch at Fergusons.
05-11-2005 Official turning on of lights and flushing of new toilet at Fire Shed. 66 people
08-11-2005 Heavy rain, 80mm,people stranded at the junction, chopper lifted one out next day.
04-12-2005 Four people from Coolamigal rolled 4WD while shooting at Low Top. Chopper took one to Sydney
31-12-2005 New Years party at Jennings.
2006 RAIN. 377 mm 1508 ins
16-01-2006 John & Marie Peters left "Hillsdale"
00-05-2006 Fergusons replaced old kitchen on Oaks
23-05-2006 Dog baiting. Fire at Shumacks, Ian Campbell started it cutting steel with grinder. Peter Jennings, Paul Holden, Ron Ellis, Susan Murray, Andy Shumack, Iizac Breen, Joy & Colin Ferguson. Burnt about ½ ha.
04-06-2006 Fire brigade AGM, Ron Ellis Secretary in place of Phillip Morcombe
16-06-2006 Col Ferguson received award for 38 years service on Palmers Oakey Recreation Trust.
27-07-2006 Ron Ellis and Paul Holden bought "Oakey Mt" from Milton Naylors Receiver for $605,000.00
03-09-2006 Training day at fire shed. 14 people
04-09-2006 Ron Ellis bought "Oakey Bluff" from Jennings for $400,000-00
05-10-2006 Jet crashed in Turon State Forest killing both pilot & passenger, started fire , Alec Thompson& Chris Schoefield .
08-10-2006 Ron Ellis , Simond Clissold & Col Ferguson to fire that jet started
15-10-2006 Farewell party at fire shed for Jennings.
04-11-2006 Kathy, Neil Cameron Mc Lander & Simond Clissold to fire training day at Meadow Flat.
22-11-2006 Fire at Knights Gully about 20 people from Sunny Corner, Capertee, Portland attended. Simond Clissold & Chris Schoefield stayed over night.
23-11-2006 Ron Ellis , Joy & Col Ferguson at fire
24-11-2006 Ron Ellis & Col Ferguson at Fire
25-11-2006 Ron Ellis checked fire.
31-12-2006 New Years party at fire shed, 20+ people.

2007 RAIN 800mm 32 inches

14-01-2007 Creek stopped running at Fergusons pump site for the first time in memory
19-01-2007 Fire at Boghole Mt to the East of Bingletree.5 days to black out.
03-02-2007 Lighting started fire near fire trail halfway between Knights Gully and Bingletree. Ron Ellis, Phil Morcombe, Kevin Pearce and Colin Ferguson got it out by nightfall.
02-05-2007 1080 baiting day,
03-06-2007 Fire Brigade A G M. no major changes.
16-06-2007 Pig dogs roaming around, boys from Yetholme lost them in Nature Reserve
20-06-2007 Snow, down to Drag Hollow
25-06-2007 Bike accident at junction Oakey/ Turon, rider killed
15-07-2007 Alec Thompson, Ron Ellis and Phil Morcombe took fire trucks to Meadow Flat for inspection.
20-07-2007 Chris Packham to hospital by ambulance.
10-08-2007 Ron Ellis and two of his men put electricity on to toilet at fire shed
18-08-2007 Clive Munro passed away.
19-08-2007 Colin Ferguson to Sydney for cancer treatment.
22-08-2007 Clive Munro buried in Bathurst
29-08-2007 Bert Fuller's wife Rose buried at Capertee
11-10-2007 Colin Ferguson back from cancer treatment in Sydney
29-10-2007 Ian Shumacks funeral in Bathurst, cremated at Orange.
01-10-2007 Fire at Shumacks, burning off when it was too hot and windy. Alec Thompson, Ron Ellis. Neil & Kathy Mc Landers. Dark Corner Brigade and several Shumack people.
31-10-2007 Col Wilkinson , Sunny Corner died.
04-11-2007 Cyclone went through Limekilns, Matt Tooles and Starks damaged, then over mountain closed Mt Franklin road, and Sunny Corner road at Coolamigal
10-11-2007 Wake for Col Wilkinson at Sunny Corner hall.
12-11-2007 Mrs Thelma Millers funeral at Sofala.
14-11-2007 Mrs. Ronnie Tobins funeral at Sofala
01-12-2007 Xmas party at Fire Shed, 48 adults and several children
08-12-2007 Xmas party at Dark Corner Fire Shed.

2008 RAIN 923mm 3692ins

00-01-2008 C Ferguson dozing site for Ellis wedding on "Hillsdale"
30-01-2008 Gold drilling rig arrived at "Willandra" to drill in the head of Pennyweight Gully
05-03-2008 Council roller went off Mt Horrible road.
12-04-2008 Get together at fire shed, approx 20 people
24-04-2008 Feral Animal Day at Fergusons shearing shed. 24 people
07-05-2008 1080 baiting day
08-06-2008 Fire Brigade A G M at fire shed. Also Recreation Reserve meeting
20-06-2008 Peter Muller left work due to liver disease
27-07-2008 McLanders checking fire trails
27-09-2008 Olefssons and Mc Landers to fire exercise at Yetholme
08-11-2008 Ellis wedding, at top of Tobins Oakey, then reception at "Hillsdale"
29-11-2008 Xmas party at Fire shed approx 40 people

2009 RAIN 549mm 2196ins

10-01-2009 Olivia Munro married Chris Schoefield, built new house on the east side of Smiths Hill
16-01-2009 Fire at the head of Rawlstones in Ron Ellis' "Tobin Oakey".
17-01-2009 Fire
18-01-2009 Fire
04-02-2009 Fire in Prussian Gully in corner of Ron Ellis' "Tobin Oakey"
05-02-2009 Fire
06-02-2009 Fire
09-02-2009 Lighting struck tree at foot of Red Gum hill on road, small fire.
19-03-2009 Truck with load of crushed bricks turned over in Horsebend gate way.
00-05-2009 25 pine trees cut down at "Oaks" . 90 years old
21-08-2009 Chris Packham had fall an taken to hospital via chopper
27-09-2009 Light snow
00-09-2009 Fergusons demolished "Kelvin"
00-10-2009 Fergusons sold "Kia-Ora" to David & Maria Williams
06-12-2009 Fire Brigade Xmas get-together 50 people present and raised flag on new flag pole.
17-12-2009 Fire started on Mt Horrible at Leo Palmers old place, by new owners burning rubbish.

2010 RAIN 1159mm 4638ins

17-03-2010 Duncan Ferguson sick brought to Orange by plane.
11-05-2010 Geoff Munro had operation .
00-05-2010 Colin Ferguson & Alec Thompson dozing up gravel & council spreading on roads.
26-05-2010 Locals put out 1080 baits for fox's & dogs
04-06-2010 John Walsh died at his home in Dark Corner.
00-06-2010 Tannous' place at Tobins Oakey broken into, wrecked and goods stolen.
09-07-2010 Chris Packhams funeral

01-08-2010 Australia's Worst Bridge Lithgow City Council has won Australia's Worst Bridge competition. The competition was a popular highlight at ALGA's recent National Local Road and Transport Congress in Bunbury, WA, with over 200 entries across the three categories. ALGA Vice-President and President of the Shires Association of NSW Cr Bruce Miller accepted the award for Australia's Worst Bridge on behalf of the Council. The bridge which is 70-80 years old is located on the Palmers Oakey Road, about 50km north-west of Lithgow in the outer rural area. The bridge services a minimal amount of light vehicular traffic and the odd cattle truck. Lithgow City Council is currently planning the replacement of this timber bridge structure with new bridge abutments and an existing prefabricated bridge decking. It is envisaged that this work will be completed prior to December 2010 and open to bi-directional traffic.



BOWERS BRIDGE AT THE CROSS ROADS

31-08-2010	Iris Collins of Sunny Corner died.
25-09-2010	Car rally over Mt Horrible
24-10-2010	Peter Muller died.
27-11-2010	Party at Sunny Corner hall to unveil renovations $45000-00
29-11-2010	Inquest at Orange into the jet plane crash on Mt Horrible 4 years ago.
11-12-2010	Fire Brigade Xmas party, 50 people.

PUBLIC SERVICES.

PALMERS OAKEY SCHOOL

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

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PALMERS OAKEY GENERAL CEMETERY

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BUSH FIRE BRIGADE.

COMMON.

WAR SERVICE

PALMERS OAKEY SCHOOL 1874—1910

DATE APPOINTED		TEACHER
01-08-1874	Opened as Provisional School	Sarah Blackman**..#**
00-01-1879	Closed	
29-09-1881	Opened	William Hunt
12-05-1882		Margaret Macdermott
21-04-1883		Elizabeth Small
28-08-1884		Alice Phillips
20-01-1886	Half time with Upper Turon	Alice Phillips
01-01-1904	Converted to Provisional School	
15-01-1904		Matilda Deasey
13-01-1905		Charlotte Deasey
19-04-1905		Elizabeth Robinson
00-07-1906		James Kingsland
00-09-1907		McDonald
00-06-1907		E Bright
00-07-1909		C Leonard
00-09-1910	School Closed	

Sarah Blackman prior to her appointment at Palmers Oakey was employed by Mr & Mrs Jon Hughs of Ginkin near Oberon as a private governess.

After the school closed several subsidised schools were held. One after WW1 was in the Union Church building. At one stage a Mr John Walker who came into Palmers Oakey as a swaggie taught school and was said to be very good.

The original school was 2 km from the cross road towards Sunny Corner (alongside the ramp at the end of the laneway) & the Provisional school was on the School Block, 1 km along the Sofala road.
Alice Phillips was a local girl. Matilda Deasey married Duncan Ferguson, & her sister Charlotte Deasey resigned due to ill health & passed away shortly after from TB.

Sarah Blackman first teacher at Palmers Oakey & Matilda Deasey 1904.



Sarah Blackman (1st P O School teacher)





1Jock Ferguson, 2 Alice Franks, 3? Bower,4 Rachael Franks,5 Harry Franks,6 Francis Franks, 7 Miss Phillips (teacher)8Arthur Franks, 9 Ewen McKinnon, 10 Olive Franks

PALMERS OAKEY SCHOOL C1901

UPPER TURON SCHOOL 1871—1904

Site of Upper Turon school surveyed and on 28-12-1869 plan of same was sent to Surveyor General (2 acres Portion 17 Dulabree). 28-02-1870 Upper Turon School site approved.
15-08-1871 Upper Turon School dedicated. Deed in favour of "Council of Education

APPOINTED		TEACHER
00-11-1871	Opened as Public School	Wilbraham Liardet
01-01-1873		William Kensett
13-02-1878		Mary Moore
11-03-1878		Eveline Rawle
00-01-1885		William Larnach
00-08-1885	Closed	
20-01-1886	Opened half time with Palmers Oakey	Alice Phillips
00-01-1904	Half time with Dullaberry	
00-00-1904	Closed	

The school was on Portion 17, on the top side of the road just North of where Stoney Gully crosses the road. Most of the attendance book is in my possession (2011), and the records from that I have transcribed into the History of Palmers Oakey

DULLABERRY SCHOOL 1885 - 1904

Dullaberry School was situated on the Turon River midway between the Sofala and Upper Turon Schools. Six miles from Sofala and ten miles from Upper Turon
The name **"Dullaberry"** is interesting as the school was either in or next to the Parish of **"Dulabree"**

May 1885 a provisional school opened and some of the people involved were.
Rev. S. P. Ollis Church of England clergyman of Sofala.
Mr Samuel Walker , farmer, of Dullaberry
Mr. Joseph Gettens, farmer, Church of England

Inspector recommends Miss Mary Jane Stephenson , teacher at Ilford for the position of teacher at Dullaberry.

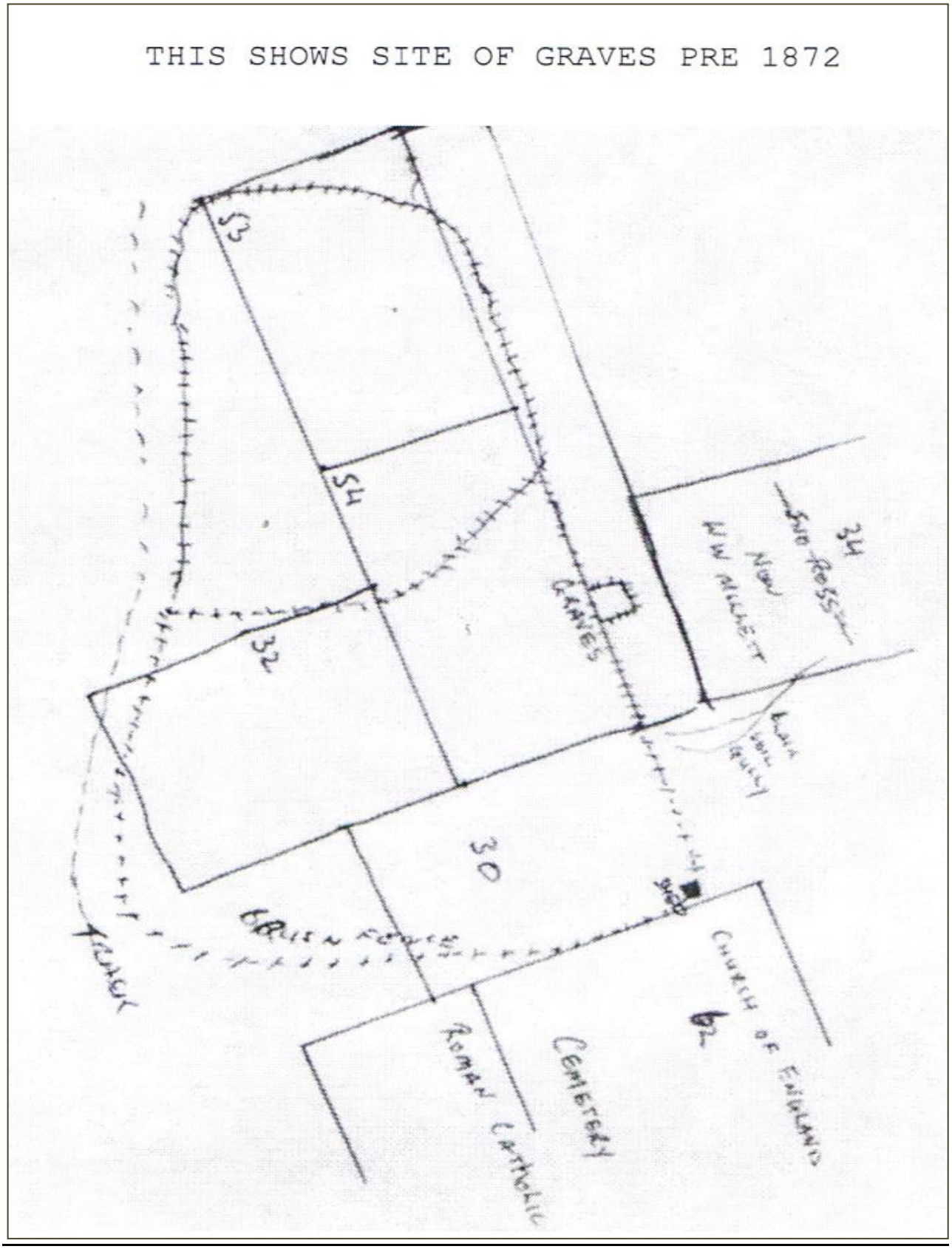
22-Feb-1888	Dulaberry went half time with Wheatfield. Mr. Alex McDonald was the teacher.
March 1889	Mr Jonathan Lee carried out work on the school satisfactorily.
6-April-1889	Mr. McDonald lost time from school to acquire another horse from Mandurama.
Sept-1893	Dullaberry went to a "house to house" school
Oct-1895	Dullaberry went half time with Limekilns.
Jan-1904	Dullaberry went half time with Upper Turon
Dec-1904	Dullaberry School closed.

C.Ferguson. Records
Dep Ed. NSW Records.

After the war when things started to get back to normal there was no school so a school bus run was started, to Sunny Corner. I think the first one was an old Dodge truck that Thompsons donated and put a few seats on the back, then private cars and later Thompsons purchased a real bus. The operators and drivers changed over the time. Thompsons usually had several married couples working there and one of the wives of the workers drove the bus, Terry Bennett drove it and worked for Eric Smith between the run times. Others were Bill Shumack, Clive & June Munro, Janet Thompson, Joy Ferguson and Pauline Collins from Sunny Corner. When Sunny Corner closed, the run extended to Meadow Flat. Bill Shumack also ran to Limekilns for the High School kids.

As with all school buses a lot of happening went on, one highlight was when one morning June Munro encountered one of "Warries" bulls that had parked in the middle of the road. Beeping the horn and shouting had no effect so June gave him a nudge with the Armstrong Sidleys bumper, that worked, the bull got up and took the Sidley with him, the Sidley slipped off the bull and hit the ground with a crash. That gave the kids a story that lasted for a long time.

CEMETERIES.


THIS SHOWS SITE OF GRAVES PRE 1872
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GRAVES
Roman Catholic
Cemetery
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PALMERS OAKEY GENERAL CEMETERY

SURNAME	OTHER	BORN	DIED	ASHES *
* Allwood	Bridget Murdina	28-04-1873	00-00-1958	07-02-1983
* Allwood.	George Newton	12-12-1867	00-00-1947	09-04-1987
Bower	George William	00-00-1827	02-03-1905	
Dyson	James	00-00-1825	21-12-1893	
*Edwards	Elsie Ada	16-03-1888	30-09-1974	?-03-1993
Ferguson	Duncan	15-03-1838	15-08-1895	
Ferguson	Duncan	31-03-1863	01-06-1931	
Ferguson	Duncan Latham	02-03-1911	30-03-1966	
Ferguson	Winifred Tottie	16-10-1915	07-07-2001	
Ferguson	Ewen McColl	18-04-1878	22-04-1943	
Ferguson	Charles Peet	05-07-1864	23-07-1942	
Ferguson	Mary McColl	00-00-1795	21-03-1884	
Ferguson	Jane Virginia	18-02-1842	06-02-1905	
Ferguson	Matilda Josephine	09-07-1875	22-02-1959	
Ferguson	Elizabeth Janet	15-01-1880	13-07-1948	
Franks	Charles	00-00-1849	09-01-1890	
Franks	Martha	00-00-1906		
*Gabriel	Doris Elsie	06-03-1911	18-01-1992	?-03-1993
Guihot	Mary Ellen	00-00-1889	03-05-1965	
Guihot	Walter Stanley (Stan)	00-00-1894	19-09-1981	
Hyde	Francis James	00-00-1857		
Hyde,	Mrs.		00-09-1906	
Hennely	Margaret	00-00-1865	00-00-1865	
Hennely	Annie	00-00-1879	00-00-1879	
Hopkins	Daniel			
Lewis	Anthony John	00-00-1874	19-05-1876	
Lewis	Alice I	00-00-1878	02-04-1978	
Lewis	AIbert			
Lewis	Emily	00-00-1872	18-05-1876	
Lewis	George E	00-00-1882	20-02-1884	
Lewis	Evelyn			
Lewis	John M	00-00-1886	00-00-1886	
Lewis	Henry T	00-00-1979	20-03-1881	
Lewis	Mary L	00-00-1869	00-00-1876	
Lewis	Manuel	00-00-1835	02-10-1911	
Lewis	Mary Ann	00-00-1847	02-09-1921	
*Lewis	Alfred Herbert	00-00-1884	18-05-1966	
Munro	Charlie (baby)	00-00-1886	00-00-1891	
Munro	David, Dewar	00-00-1835	25-04-1915	
Munro	Mary	24-02-1849	28-02-1923	
Munro	Peter Archibald	00-00-1873	05-11-1931	
McIntyre	Mrs	00-00-1853	00-00-1925	
McLeod	George			
McKinnon	Peter	12-11-1808	31-08-1886	
McKinnon	Janet	00-00-1821	25-11-1902	
McKinnon	Duncan	01-01-1845	27-02-1923	
McKinnon	Donald Astmus	16-05-1887	20-03-1890	
McKinnon	Alice Ann	15-03-1882	28-03-1890	
McKinnon	William C	05-02-1862	00-00-1865	
McKinnon	Sarah Louise	16-07-1859	12-09-1947	
McKenzie	Isabella	00-00-1811	00-00-1886	
Phillips	Ada Elanor	18-07-1866	19-12-1870	
Spencer	William	00-00-1809	23-09-1878	
Spencer	Sarah Jane	00-00-1820	01-03-1892	
Steel	Jack			
Steel	George	00-00-1829	00-00-1913	
Smith	William	20-11-1869	17-03-1905	
Smith	Alice,	21-07-1876	30-01-1905	
Theobald	Eliza Jane	00-00-1852	05-05-1928	
Theobald	Henry (Heinrish)	00-00-1839	26-06-1900	
Theobald	Henry Jnr.	15-12-1869	7-10-1948	
Theobald	Albert Joseph	29-06-1874	00-00-1876	
Theobald	Raymond	00-04-1912	25-08-1927	
Theobald	Robert James	27-04-1889	01-11-1931	
Theobald	Thelma		11-04-1953	
Theobald	Olive May	03-01-1893	29-06-1974	
Theobald	Martha Kathleen	29-08-1900	17-10-1900	
Theobald	John Thomas (Jack)	19-06-1914	16-08-1984	
Tyrrell	John	00-00-1814	25-05-1897	
Tyrrell	Maria Eleanor (Owens)		00-00-1867	
Wilkinson	William James	17-02-1874	14-01-1957	

PALMERS OAKEY CEMETERIES

The first reported cemetery was half way between the present cemetery and the main road. (SEE MAP)
When interments began it is not known and the names and number of burials is also not known.

First recorded burial in present cemetery was 1865.
The present cemetery was dedicated 14-02-1873.
The C of E portion was 2a-2r-00p, the RC was 1a-2r-00p, the General 2a-2p-00r, the Presbyterian 2r-10p, the Wesleyan 1p-15r, the Independent 10p and the Jewish 5p, Total area 7a-2r-00p.

(All known graves now are in the C of E section.)

ORIGINAL TRUSTEES

C of E, Jas Fulton, Walter Millett, A.Wm. Taylor.

RC Rt Rev. M Quinn, D.D., Rev. J O'Donnell, J Martin, (removed), T Lynch, (removed 25-11-1881).

Pres. C.P Ferguson, J.A.McKinnon, D.D.Munro, P.A.Munro,30-11-1901 And ex-officio trustees

Other D.D.Munro, J.A.McKinnon, W.McKinnon, H.Theobald, J.T.Franks, D.Hopkins, 16-6-1900

On the 23rd May 1933 the following were trustees;
M.J.Ferguson (Mrs), Aiden.Shumack, H.Theobald, W.J.Wilkinson, A.L.Theobald, Ewen.E.Smith, Jock.Ferguson, Ewen.Ferguson. E.M.Munro. and they signed over all the cemetery except the C of E section to Donald Thomas Ferguson, on the condition that he fence it in and keep the cemetery free of briars.

Some Chinamen were buried just to the east of the cemetery, but later removed.

There are several people buried in an area near the Turon River . They are buried on a slight rise just to the South-West of the cattle yards on the property "Evelorna" on the Turon, owned (2011) by Cosgroves. I know of no other information, and can only assume that this was to be the start of the Upper Turon Cemetery in the early part of the 1850's gold rush.

There are reports of children being buried near Munro's house, and on the bank of the Palmers Oakey Creek where one of the Wilkinson families lived.

PALMERS OAKEY MAIL SERVICE

20-01-1865 W W Millett, innkeeper of Palmers Oakey submitted the following petition bearing 117 names;

'To the Representatives of the people in Parliament Assembled".

We the under signed inhabitants of the district of Palmers Oakey are desirous of bringing under the notice of your Honourable House that they labour under great disadvantages and inconvenience from the want of a Post Office- The population of Palmers Oakey numbers upwards of Three hundred souls and they therefore pray that your Honourable House will at once see the necessity of granting their request and your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray"

At the bottom of the petition Millett intimated that he was willing to undertake the duties of Post Master if a Post Office was established.
Postmasters in the vicinity of Palmers Oakey were consulted and it was revealed that correspondence from and to Palmers Oakey was minimal and did not justify the establishment of a Post Office, therefore the petitioner's request was not granted.

00-08-1867 A petition bearing 139 names was sent to the Post Master General re post office at Palmers Oakey it read;

To the Hon. Post Master General.

The humble petition of the undersigned residents at Palmers Oakey Creek, Upper Turon, Dark Corner and adjoining district. Respectfully Sheweth.

That your petitioners beg to bring under your notice the very great want of a Post Office at Palmers Oakey Creek and the great inconvenience they are labouring under in consequence.

That the residents at Palmers Oakey Creek, Upper Turon and the surrounding district are at present obliged to travel to the post offices at Mitchells Creek, Sofala and other remote places for their letters which are a great distance from the habitation of your petitioners, thus causing your petitioners to be absent from their occupations and consequently entailing great loss accordingly.

That your petitioners would beg to point out the rising importance of the district they are residing in, and the population gradually increasing; thus causing the convenience of a Post Office at Palmers Oakey Creek to be greatly desired.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that you will be pleased to take the above circumstances into your consideration and cause a Post Office to be established at Palmers Oakey Creek and your petitioners will ever Pray"-

06-09-1867 As a result of the petition Postal Inspector Moyse visited Palmers Oakey.

14-09-1867 Extract from Inspector Moyses' Report ----"From inquires I made found that a Post Office there was required, and would be a great convenience to a scattered population of 100 to 120 families, who now have to go to Sofala 20 miles, Mitchells Creek 15 miles or to Limekilns 15 miles, the road to the latter office is over Mt Horrible and nearly impracticable for horsemen. The best route for mail to travel would be from Mitchells Creek.
Mr Wm. Millett Storekeeper and Innkeeper of Palmers Oakey Creek would undertake the duties of Postmaster for £12-0-0 a year, he has a separate room he would use as an office, if appointed, he appears to be a respectable man, his wife understands the postal duties".

20-09-1867	Tenders were called.- From the Gov.Gazette; “Mitchells Creek to Palmers Oakey: Once weekly: by horseback: 15 miles distance: at £35 per annum”. This raised a comment from the Post Master at Limekilns that the cartage should be Limekilns / Palmers Oakey as Limekilns was only 8 miles from Palmers Oakey while Mitchell’s Creek was 15 miles.
15-11-1867	Walter William Millett was appointed Post Master
01-01-1868	Post Office opened at Palmers Oakey. Walter William Millett Postmaster at a salary of £12 per annum. He named his sureties as John McKinnon grazier and Lawrence Kearney an innkeeper both of Limekilns.
01-01-1868	John Scott of Palmers Oakey commenced the mail run from Mitchells Creek for £35 per annum.
08-05-1869	Millett tendered his resignation as Post Master at Palmers Oakey, saying he intended leaving the district.
15-05-1869	Millett recommended T. Southall, a butcher as his successor, Southall having taken over Milletts premises.
01-06-1869	Thomas Southall took charge of Post Office, his sureties were Samuel Taylor Jnr a farmer of Limekilns and Duncan Ferguson a Grazier of Palmers Oakey. Duncan Ferguson was to be sureties for two more Post Masters plus being Post Master himself.
21-09-1869	Southall tendered his resignation as Postmaster saying Millett had returned to carry on his business as usual.
01-10-1869	W W Millett reappointed Post Master at Palmers Oakey.

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PALMERS OAKEY.
Distance 125 miles West of Sydney
Mail closes at General Post Office Friday 4 p.m.
Mail arrives at Post Town Saturday 4.30 p.m.
Mail leaves for Sydney Saturday 8 a.m.
Mail arrives at Sydney Monday 7 a.m.
Route - Rail Rydal, coach Yetholme, 14m

SURNAME	CHRISTIAN	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS
ALLEN	Henry	miner	Turon
ANDERSON	John	bootmaker	Palmer's Oakey
ARCHER	J.	squatter	Warre, Coolamiagel
BANNON	John	shepherd	Palmer's Oakey
BARR	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
BEILBY	William H.	miner	Palmer's Oakey
BERRIEGER	George	miner	Palmer's Oakey
BIRD	George	miner	Coolamiagel
BIRD	John	miner	Coolamiagel
BOWEN	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
BOWERS	George	farmer	Palmer's Oakey
BUCKERSFIELD	Frank	miner	Palmer's Oakey
BUSH	George	squatter	Palmer's Oakey
CARTER	Peter	miner	Palmer's Oakey
CHITTENDEN	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
CLIFFORD	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
COOK	James H.	miner	Palmer's Oakey
CORNER	Andrew	miner	Palmer's Oakey
CROPPER	Abraham	miner	Turon River
DALTON	James	miner	Palmer’s Oakey
DARCOVILLE	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
DAVIS	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
DIVES	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
DUNKELL	Jacob	miner	Palmer's Oakey
DYSON	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
FARRELL	Edward	miner	Turon
FERGUSON	Duncan	squatter	Palmer's Oakey
FERGUSON	John	squatter	Palmer's Oakey
FRANKS	Charles	squatter	Palmer's Oakey
FRANKS	Charles jun.	miner	Palmer's Oakey
FRANKS	Thomas T.	miner	Palmer's Oakey
GLIDDEN	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HARVEY	Edwin	stockman	Palmer's Oakey
HARVEY	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HASSFORTH	Conrad	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HEARIN	Michael	squatter	Palmer's Oakey
HILL	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HOPKINS	Daniel	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HOWARD	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
HUMPHREY	J.	squatter	Warre, Coolamiagel
HUSSEY	James	farmer	Turon
HYAC	Henry	miner	Turon
JEFFERY	Joseph	miner	Palmer's Oakey
JEFFERY	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
JONES	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
KENNEDY	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
KING	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
LEE	William	carpenter	Palmer's Oakey
LEWIS	Emanuel	carpenter	Palmer's Oakey

LILY	Robert	miner	Fiddler's Gully
LIRTHKE	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
LYNCH	Thomas	miner	Turon
MARTIN	John	farmer	Palmer's Oakey
MERRIS	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MILES	James	blacksmith	Palmer's Oakey
MILLETT	Walter W.	innkeeper	Palmer's Oakey
MOORE	James	miner	Fiddler's Gully
MORRIS	Ewen	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MORTLOCK	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MORTLOCK	Joseph	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MOXON	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MUNROE	David	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCAUSLIN	Alexander	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCCARTHY	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCDONALD	Michael	miner	Turon
MCGEE	Archibald	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCINTOSH	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCINTYRE	Alexander	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCKENZIE	Kenneth	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCKINNON	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCKINNON	Peter	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCLEOD	Kenneth	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCLOUD	George	miner	Palmer's Oakey
MCMAHON	Richard	miner	Palmer's Oakey
ORANGE	Philip	miner	Palmer's Oakey
PARR	William	squatter	Coolamiagel
PHILIPS	William	miner	Palmer's Oakey
RAMOND	B.	miner	Palmer's Oakey
REYNOLDS	Joseph	miner	Palmer's Oakey
ROADENN	George	miner	Palmer's Oakey
ROBINSON	Andrew	miner	Palmer's Oakey
RUEBEN	Frederick	miner	Fiddler's Gully
SCOTT	John	storekeeper	Palmer's Oakey
SHAW	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
SHERIDAN	Charles	miner	Coolamiagel
SIMSON	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
SOUTHALL	Thomas	miner	Palmer's Oakey
STEEL	George	farmer	Palmer's Oakey
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STEPHENS	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
STEVENSON	Henry	settler	Limekiln Swamp
SULLIVAN	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
THEOBALD	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
THEOBALD	Peter	miner	Palmer's Oakey
TRANTA	William	surgeon	Palmer's Oakey
TYRELL	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey
VOGIS	Henry	miner	Palmer's Oakey
WARNECK	Julius	storekeeper	Palmer's Oakey
WESTLAKE	Matthew	miner	Palmer's Oakey
WHITE	Peter	miner	Palmer's Oakey
WIGLESWORTH	John	shepherd	Palmer's Oakey
WILLIAMSON	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey
WRIGHT	George H.	miner	Palmer's Oakey

27-03-1875	W W Millett gave notice he was leaving the district and wanted to resign,
15-04-1875	Kenneth McLeod appointed Post Master.
19-10-1876	Mail delivery Mitchell's Creek and Palmer's Oakey, twice a week Duncan Ferguson, 3 years, horseback, £30 per annum

PALMERS OAKEY POST OFFICE 1875/76.

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A mining settlement in the Police district of Bathurst, electorate of East Macquarie, county Roxbrough, is 125 miles west from Sydney.

Route. Rail to Rydal, thence via Mitchell's Creek.

Office. Post only.
Mails close at G P O on Monday & Friday at 4pm and arrive at post town on Tuesday & Saturday at 4pm: leave for Sydney on Saturday & Tuesday at 8am and arrive on Monday & Wednesday at 7.20am.

Anderson John bootmaker, **Archer** J squatter Warrie Coolamiagel,

Bannon John shepherd, **Bannon** William shepherd, **Barr** John miner, **Beilby** William H miner, **Berrieger** George miner, **Belperrond** Redmond miner, **Bowen** William miner, **Bowers** George farmer, **Buckerfield** Frank miner**, Bush** George squatter

Carter Peter miner Mitchell ck, **Chittenden** William miner Spring ck, **Chittenden** William miner, **Clifford** Henry miner Spring ck, **Cook** William miner, **Clyne** Alexander sen miner**, Clyne** Alexander jnr miner,

Drysdale John miner, **Darcoville** James miner, **Davis** James miner, **Dives** James miner, **Dunkell** Jacob miner, **Dyson** James miner,

O'Farrell Edward miner Turon, **Ferguson** Duncan squatter, **Ferguson** John squatter, **Franks** Charles squatter, **Franks** Charles jr miner, **Franks** Thomas miner, **Fox** John miner,

Glidden John miner/

Harvey Edwin stockman, **Harvey** William miner, **Hearin** Michael squatter, **Hill** James miner, **Hopkins** Daniel miner, **Humphrey** J squatter Coolamiagel, **Hussey** James farmer Turon, **Hyae** Henry miner Turon,

Jones John miner, **Jones** Nelson miner,

Kennedy William miner, **King** William miner,

Lewis Emanuel carpenter, **Lynch** Thomas miner Turon,

Martin John farmer, **Myles** James blacksmith, **Morris** Ewen miner, **Moxon** James miner, **Munroe** David miner, **McCarthy** John miner, **McDonald** Michael miner Turon, **McGee** Archibald miner, **McIntosh** William miner, **McIntyre** Alexander miner, **McKinnon** Peter miner, **McKinnon** Peter jr miner, **McKinnon** Archer miner, **McKinnon** John miner, **McKeown** William miner, **McLeod** Kenneth storekeeper, **McLeod** George miner,

Orange Phillip miner,

Parr William squatter Coolamiagel, **Phillips** William miner,

Ramond B miner, **Reynolds** Joseph miner, **Ryan** John shepherd, **Renben** Frederick miner Fiddlers Creek,

Shaw Henry miner, **Simson** Henry miner, **Steel George** farmer, **Steel James** farmer, **Stassforth** Conrad miner, **Shedy** Thomas shepherd, **Stevenson** Henry settler Limekilns Swamp, **Sullivan** John miner,

Tyrrell John miner. **Theobald** Henry miner, **Theobald** Peter miner,

Wannick Julius miner, **Westlake** Matthew miner, **Wiglesworth** John shepherd, **Williamson** John miner.

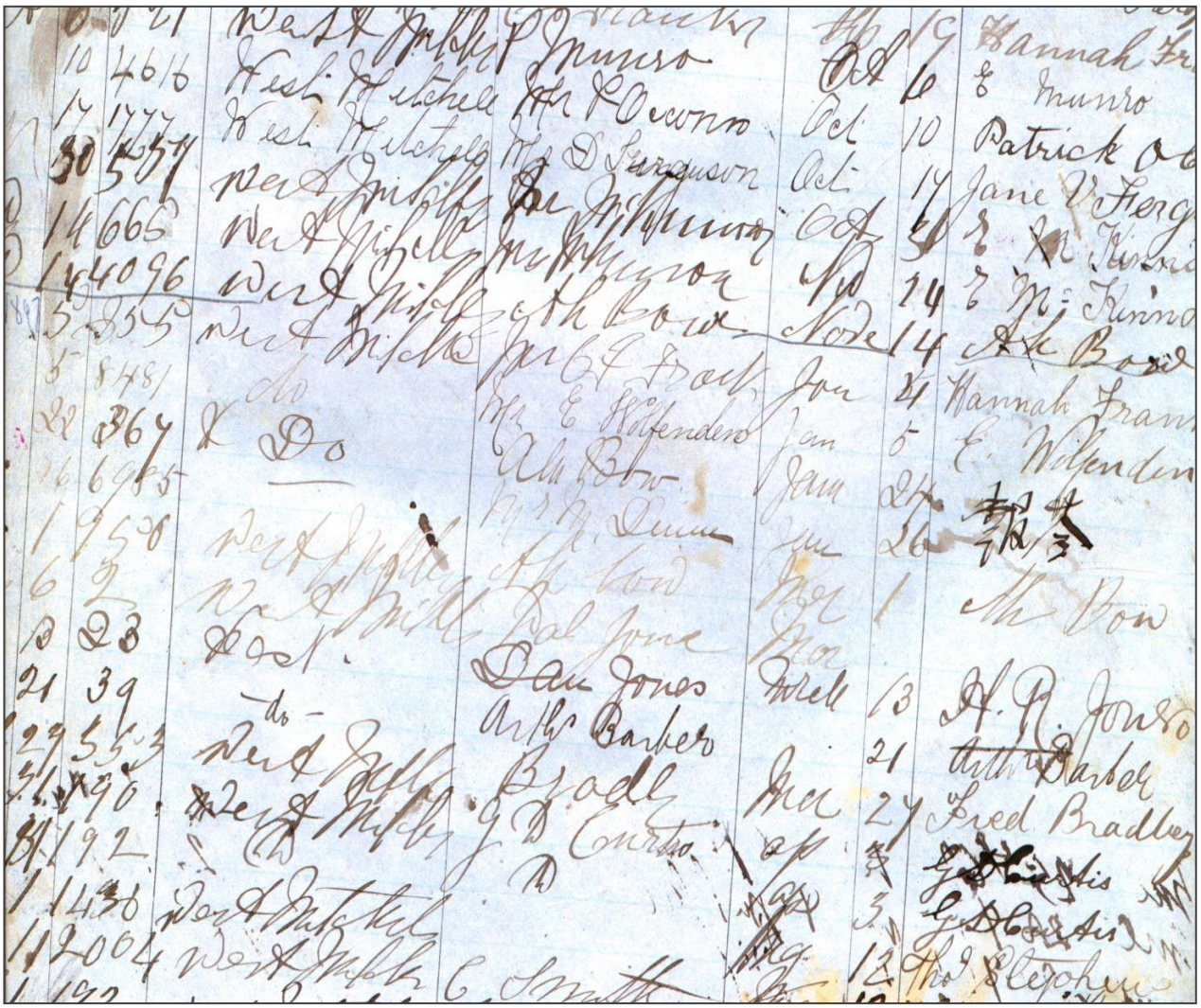
23-04-1878	Kenneth McLeod resigned as he was leaving the district
14-05-1878	John Alexander McKinnon appointed Post Master.
23-09-1907	McKinnon gave notice as he was leaving the district and recommended his daughter Mrs E Wolfenden
10-10-1907	Mrs Lily Wolfenden appointed Post Mistress.
00-01-1909	Residents of Palmers Oakey and Dark Corner wrote to the Postal Dep asking for increased frequency of mail services between these places and West Mitchell and requesting that their correspondence be sent on mail days direct from Sunny Corner instead of previously being sent to West Mitchell. Postal Dep said revenue derived from that line is too small to warrant extra expenditures, The tender of W G Francis of Sunny Corner was accepted for carriage of mails for 3 years as from 1-1-1909 to and from West Mitchell, Dark Corner, Palmers Oakey twice a week by sulky for the sum of £45-00-00 per year. Arrangements are now being made for a direct exchange of mails between Sunny Corner, Dark Corner and Palmers Oakey and correspondence for Dark Corner and Palmers Oakey reaching Sunny Corner between mail days will be retained for dispatch instead of being sent on to West Mitchell as heretofore.
22-05-1911	Mrs Wolfenden sent a letter of resignation stating this was due to the low allowance. She later withdrew the resignation when no one could be found to conduct the Post Office.
08-04-1912	Mrs Wolfenden resigned and recommended Charles Peet Ferguson, bee farmer of Palmers Oakey as Post Master. This appears to have caused some problems as Charles Ferguson believed that he was appointed but the Postal Department believed that Lily Wolfenden was still Post Mistress.
27-04-1912	Charles Ferguson wrote to the Postal Department stating that he could no longer conduct the Post Office and that he had handed all the Post Office goods to J L Bower and that Mr Bower would conduct the Post Office and requested that Mr Bower be paid from the time he, Ferguson took over the Post Office. A Postal Inspector's report stated that Bower was a storekeeper at Palmers Oakey and he held a mail cartage contract, he lived ¼ mile from the then Post Office
22-04-1912	John Bower appointed Post Master.
02-01-1913	John Bower resigned stating that he wished to live on his 'selection' which was 5 miles away. He recommended Miss Ethel Elgin Munro a dressmaker as Post Mistress,
16-01-1913	Ethel Elgin Munro Post Mistress at Palmers Oakey, the Post Office moving 200 yards to a new location.
30-04-1918	Miss Munro resigned
01-05-1918	Mrs Duncan Ferguson Post Mistress
04-12-1919	Mrs Ferguson resigned stating this was due to the low allowance of only 27 Pounds a year. There must have been a pay increase as she remained PM until .
30-11-1925	Mrs D Ferguson tendered her resignation as Post Mistress as from end of year.

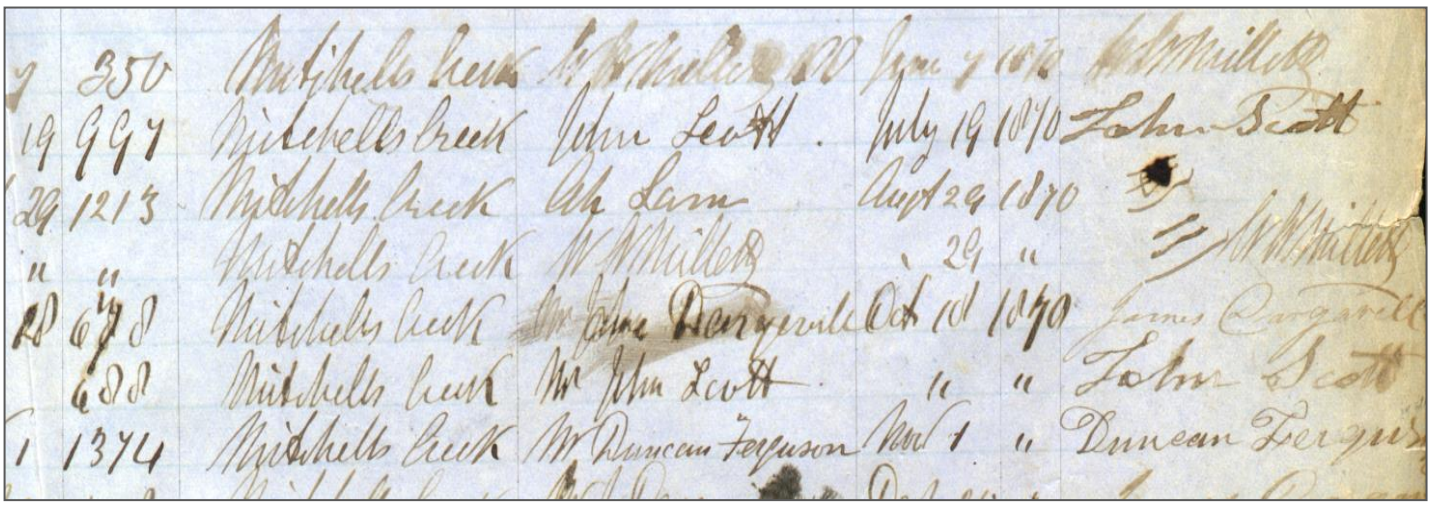
01-01-1926 Palmers Oakey Post Office closed.

At the end of 1926 Postal Inspector reported only six families in Palmers Oakey & they were satisfied with a roadside mail delivery instead of a Post Office.
When the Post Office was originally opened it was in the premises owned by Millett (now known as "Nebo") and it remained there until Bower took charge when it was transferred to his premises about a ¼ of a mile away at the crossroads When Bower resigned the new postmistress Miss Munro bought his premises and the Post Office was moved 200 yards to her parents house along the Bathurst road where she continued to reside and conduct the office. When Mrs Ferguson was appointed it moved to her premises "Kelvin" about ¾ of a mile from its former site. This was to be its last location

15-12-1903 Three deliveries per week, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, from Bathurst Mail Exchange.

SOME ENTRIES FROM THE PALMERS OAKEY REGISTERED LETTER BOOK 1896/7







PALMERS OAKEY POST OFFICE C1923

UPPER TURON POST OFFICE.

The establishment of a Post office on the Upper Turon commenced with a petition from residents in that area when in July 1872 when they asked for improvements to the Postal service between the junction of the Palmer's Oakey Creek and the Turon River to Sofala a distance of about 14 miles.

The service asked for was a Post Office and delivery service by horseback. The petition was supported by a letter from John Scott who was later identified as a Publican. A report by the Postal Department showed that as well as farmers there were some 52 miners along the river. These miners would have been searching for gold.

The request was granted and Thomas Lynch was appointed mail man to carry mails between the new Post Office, which was to be called Palmer's Oakey Junction and Sofala. The contract stated, "Thomas Lynch of Palmers Oakey. Sofala to Upper Turon (Junction of Palmers Oakey creek and Turon River), twice a week on horseback at 49 pounds 10 shillings per annum).

Mr. W. E. Liardet, the school teacher at the Upper Turon school was appointed Post Master as from 1.10.1872, on a salary of 10 pounds per annum and he was recommended by the Palmers Oakey Postmaster (W W Millett).

However at about the same time as he was appointed Post Master Mr. Liardet was dismissed from the teaching service. This caused a nu£mber of people to write to the Postal Department questioning the appointment and for the Postal Department to seek more information from the Education Council, the employer of school teachers.

The result was that Mr. Liardet resigned as Post Master on 10.10.1872, with the Education Council stating that they would employ another teacher as soon as possible.

The Postal Department did not wait and John Scott was appointed Post Master on 27.11.1872. His sureties were Julius Wannick Storekeeper and John Anderson Storekeeper both of the Upper Turon area.

At the same time the Department questioned the name Palmer's Oakey Junction and decided to call the new Post Office Upper Turon, noting that there was a Post Office called Lower Turon nearer to Sofala.

John Scott wrote a letter of resignation on 8.4.1874 and William Kensett was appointed Post Master Upper Turon on 1.5.1874. His sureties were John Scott Hotelkeeper Sofala and Julius Wannick Storekeeper Upper Turon.

While William Kensett was appointed it was Mrs Kensett who later wrote a letter of resignation, stating that she had been transferred from the Upper Turon school, in her letter of resignation she recommended Mrs. Margaret Phillips for the position of Post Mistress.

This caused a problem for the Postal Department as it was policy not to appoint married women, but to appoint their husband to the position with their wives as assistants. However Mrs Phillips informed the Department that her husband "was of unsound mind" and could not sign any papers. It is not clear how the Department got around this problem but Mrs Phillips was appointed Post Mistress. Her sureties were Duncan Ferguson Palmers Oakey Grazier and George McLeod Palmers Oakey Miner.

31-12-1882, John Tyrrell of Palmers Oakey appointed mailman Upper Turon to Sofala twice weekly on horseback 14 miles ... £29-15-00

11.3.1886 Mrs Phillips requested permission to relocate the Post Office to the school as her daughter had just been appointed as teacher. This was done as there was no objection..

After some years Mrs Phillips wrote a resignation letter as she wished to retire and leave the district and recommended Mrs. Mary Hyde as her replacement. The recommendation was followed and Mrs. Mary Hyde was appointed Post Mistress on 28.2.1905 with the Post Office relocated to new premises stated to be on the mail route about 1½ miles nearer Sofala than the previous Post Office.

At about this time the salary went to 11 pounds 10 shillings.

Mrs. Mary Hyde died in September 1906 and her daughter, Bridgie Hyde, was appointed in her place on 27.10.1907.

The following assistants were employed at the office, Elizabeth Scott 17-12-1872. Alfd Francis Kensett 24-04-1874, and Alice Phillips 21-02-1878. As the assistants were not engaged by the Department there are no details available of the dates they commenced duty at the office. The declaration referred to was one similar to that taken today by postal employees that they will respect the secrecy and confidentiality of any message which may come to their attention in the course of their duties.

When Bridgie Hyde stated that she wished to resign the Postal Department attempted to find someone to take over the Post Office and when they could not the Upper Turon Post Office was closed on 7.7.1910.

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Office Post Only.
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A mining township, district on the Turon River.

Ah Gee Miner, **Ah Hong** miner, **Ah Man** miner **Ah Tie** storekeeper, **Ah Sun** miner
Browning William miner, **Buckerfield** Francis miner, **Belperroud** Redmond miner, **Bush George** miner,
Edmondson James miner,
Flecther Fred miner Running Stream, **Franks** John Thomas miner Tobins Oakey, **Franks** Charles squatter, **Franks** Charles F storekeeper,
Fox John miner, **Frost George** miner,
Gettens Thomas blacksmith, **Gettens** Thomas James blacksmith,
Hyde Frank bootmaker, **Harris** Thomas miner, **Hagen** Felix miner, **Henley** Richard miner, **Harvey** Edwin miner,
Kennedy William miner, **Kennedy** William B miner, **Kensett** William teacher,
Lynch Thomas miner, **Lewis** Emanuel miner,
Macintosh William miner, **Martin** John farmer, **Martin** Lawerence farmer, **Moxon** James miner, **Mc Intyre** miner, **McDonnell** Michael miner,
Orange Philip miner, **O'Farrell** Edward miner, **Oliver** David farmer,
Pringle Joseph squatter Basin Creek, **Phillips** William miner,
Reynolds Joseph miner,
Simpson William miner, **Simpson** Henry miner, **Spencer** William miner, **Smith George** squatter Basin Creek,
Tacke William miner, **Theobald** Henry miner, **Theobald** Peter miner Tobins Oakey, **Tyrrell** John miner,
Williams John miner, **Wannick** Julius storekeeper, **Wilde** Frederick miner

PALMERS OAKEY TELEPHONE.

The date when the first phone was installed in Palmers Oakey it was connected to "Warrie" .It may have been in the late 1920's. The Thompsons were more than helpful with the use of the phone by locals in the case of emergencies etc.

During 1945 the Fergusons obtained ex army field phones and connected them from "Kelvin" to "Nebo' and on up to the workers cottage near the woolshed at "Warrie". Barney Smith was managing "Warrie" at this time and his wife Flora (nee Ferguson) would relay messages to and from the homestead phone.

Early in 1946 the Palmers Oakey Phone Group was formed. This consisted of Stan Wilkinson, Carl Shumack, Duncan Ferguson, Tom Ferguson Est E Ferguson, and later Clive Munro and Frank Tobin of Limekilns.

The Group had an agreement with "Warrie" which enabled them to "hang" their wire on "Warrie's" posts if they renewed those posts showing signs of decay etc.

Prior to this some of the Dark Corner residents, Jack Shumack, Charlie Smith and Tom Smith were keen to have a line from Sunny Corner erected by the P M G to Palmers Oakey. The P M G said it was too expensive and a correspondence war started between Jack Shumack , The Post Master General, Senator Cameron and the Prime Minister Ben Chifley, As the Palmers Oakey Group were prepared to do it at their cost, they got the O K,

29-05-1946 Purchased from P M G. by Palmers Oakey phone group

1000 Swan neck spindles 3/4in with insulators	£110-12-6
Freight Sydney to Bathurst	7-12-8
4265 Ibs No 10 GI wire	55-10-3
	£173-15-5

The local "gang" cut yellow box posts in the valley and renewed the line over the mountain, through Limekilns to "Possum Pinch" (½ km north of Winburndale Bridge).

This was a one wire party line. All went well till Arthur Pratley of "Wunnah" Peel (at the junction of Prymonts Lane/Limekilns Rd) found out that Frank Tobin was on the line. Arthur and Frank did not see eye to eye regarding sheep studs, so, Arthur locked the gate one day when the Oakey gang were on his property working on the line and called the police. Sensing that something was wrong the gang went to the locked gate and Duncan Ferguson "picked" the lock. They all went out onto the side of the road and sat down and had lunch. The police arrived, drove slowly past, informed Mr Pratley there was nothing they could do, so a war of words started.

P M G wrote to residents that Pratley Bros of Peel had complained that Palmers Oakey men had entered their property to erect a phone line without permission .

Early in 1947 he had given D T Ferguson a permission note saying:- "I hereby give permission to Mr D T Ferguson & parties to erect a telephone line through my property subject to the wires being erected on the existing poles & to no trees being cut down without my knowledge".

The problem with the "permission" was Mr. A Pratley had not signed it. The reference to the "existing poles" was Thompson Bros telephone line that ran through his property.

P M G wrote to D T Ferguson asking what had been done re their letter of 07-03-1947. D T Ferguson had sent a form to Mr Pratley seeking permission.

Mr A Pratley replied to D T Fergusons letter saying " I have no intention of giving permission to allow your party telephone line No 907 Bathurst to pass through my property and I am returning the form you enclosed. With regard to coming to see me concerning the matter, it will be of no use , as I will not alter my decision under any consideration whatsoever. I therefore ask you to remove the wire from my property at your earliest convenience to save further trouble. You will have to make other arrangements for a telephone line."

P M G wrote to D T Ferguson advising that Mr A Pratley would not allow the telephone to go through his property.

Mr. A J Thompson of "Warrie" wrote to Mr Ferguson saying he had written to Mr A Pratley asking him to reconsider his decision, pointing out he was depriving the people of Palmers Oakey of a much needed telephone service.

Mr A J Thompson again wrote to Mr Ferguson saying he had received an unfavourable reply from Mr Pratley in closing said "I am sorry that I have been so unsuccessful, I wrote him what I considered was a reasonable and civil letter. I am afraid there is not much hope of gaining his consent.

D T Ferguson made an approach to Mr J B Chifley Prime Minister re the telephone problem.

D T & D L Ferguson received a letter from their solicitors advising that Mr Pratley would not agree to a conference.

Mr J B Chifley P M made personal representation to the P M G re D T Fergusons letter.

21-07-1947 Mr J B Chifley P M wrote to Mr Ferguson enclosing a letter from " P M G saying they would "cause inquiries to be made".

22-09-1947 Mr J B Chifley P M wrote to Mr Ferguson enclosing a long letter from the P M G concluding that " the line be transferred to the public road".

Locals started to build a one wire, party phone line to Bathurst, this was to go from S Wilkinsons to Possum Pinch about a ½ km on the Palmers Oakey side of the Winburndale River, total distance of just under 50 km.

12-04-1948 Telephone installed at "Nebo"

13-04-1948 Telephone installed at "Evelorna" & "Sunnyside"

15-04-1948 Telephone installed at "Oaks" & 'Kelvin"

00-00-1948 Telephone installed at Frank Tobins Limekilns

13-02-1956 Telephone connected to C Munros

09-10-1957 Telephone on to "Kimberley".

The PO people were responsible to maintain the line all the way to Possum Pinch, and about April each year they would scrub the line over the mountain, that meant digging out the tree seedlings and suckers

The PMG would not look at their section until there were no faults on this line., so a lot of time was spent proving the fault was on their line, then wait till the PMG fixed it.

During 1958 it was decided to up-grade the line.

17-12-1958 D Ferguson went to the P M G and spoke to Mr Newton, Engineer and Bob Smith, supply foreman about material for upgrading the phone line. He was told cross arms were in short supply and they would be in lots of 20 @ 4d each, the first to be collected on 22/12/1958. The estimated material was

Cross arms	10 hole 8 inch	110
Steel spindles		260
Insulators		260
Wooden spindles		370

22-12-1958 **D Ferguson picked up the following phone material .**

20	crossarms	@ 4d
260	insulators	@ 8d
260	steel spindles	@ 7d

To help with the quick delivery of the material I personally delivered several loads of wood to said supply foreman.
00-08-1959 --- 00-09-1959 Locals working on auto phone line, this consisted of some new poles , fitting cross arms to all poles, wooden spindles on the straits and steel spindles on the corners. This was to carry 4 sets of wires, the pair from the bottom end of the valley were for E Maloney, S Wilkinson, C Shumack, and W Shumack. The next pair were for D Ferguson, C Munro, C Ferguson. The next pair were for "Warrie" and the other pair for L Palmer on Mt Horrible. A pair were later "hung" for D Thompson (1978) to connect on to L Palmers wires , Leo having no further use for them.

00-10-1959	Automatic telephone service connected through R A X at Limekilns.
24-11-1964	Working on phone line repairing snow damage.
18-07-1965	Record fail of snow over 2 feet on Mt Horrible. No phone and no power.
20-07-1965	Started repairing phone line.
23-07-1965	Finished repairing phone line and power came back on that night. Food from the locals freezers and fridges was stored in the rabbit chiller at Fergusons , they used a tractor to keep it working.
25-05-1974	Heavy snow, no power & no phone.
28-05-1974	Repairing phone line over Mt Horrible.
00-05-1978	On phone line, David Thompson extended Leo Palmers line to "Old Farm", and the rest tidied up.
00-12-1980	Telecom laid cable from R A X at Limekilns to Wilkinsons.
14-01-1981	Telecom connected new phones to the new cable, they had a lot of trouble to get them to work.

Before the cable was installed and PMG/Telstra took over the line it cost the locals on average one day a week fixing faults. These ranged from lighting to possums tangling the wires, to grape vines growing onto the wires.

The construction and maintaince of the phone line was hard and dangerous work, but it was also a lot of fun. It brought the people together and they made the most of it.
While they were working in the valley and on the mountain they travelled from their homes each day, but when they reached Limekilns they "camped" at Frank & Amy Tobin's "Alice Dale" house. As they moved closer to Bathurst they moved camp to the old "Hollybrook" school site.
There were no four wheel drives in those days, mainly utes , Stan Wilkinson's, Carl Shumack's and Duncans Ferguson's, as well as Tom Ferguson's International truck which was used to carry the phone poles.
The poles were cut in the valley and were all yellow box. These were used well past Limekilns and from there on they were Stringybark which came out of Frank Tobin's "Quart Pot" property near Hollybrook.
There were no modern tools to assist, no chain saws, post hole diggers, power borers, tractors and 4wds. The trees were cut down with axe & or cross cut saw, snigged with a horse, rolled or carried by hand to where the truck was loaded. Then when the truck got them to where they were to go often they were carried by hand. The holes were dug with crowbar and shovel and in some places the help of explosives was needed. The poles were bored with hand brace and bit, the goose necks and cross arms fitted. The pole was then "stood" by hand usually by 3 or 4 men using a home made prop. This prop was a round timber 3 meters long and about 120mm thick with a metal Y at one end. The pole was placed with the big end at the hole and two men would lift the other about 2 meters, the other man would then prop it till they moved down the pole and lifted again and so on .When they had 2 or 3 km of poles up they would then run the wire out, lift it up on to the goose necks then start and strain it using ordinary wire strainers with ½ meter of rope on one end that was wrapped around the wire so as not to cut into it. When the wires had the desired tension they were tied to the insulators, which meant a lot of ladder work. At regular intervals (about 500m) the wires had to be transposed which meant moving the wires from one side of the pole to the other to stop cross talk, A became B and B became A and so on.
Some of the highlights were.

Frank Theobald and Carl Shumack had gone to work with Stan Wilkinson in his Ford ute, and were working in the "Warrie" area. Unbeknown to Stan, Frank and Carl blocked the exhaust pipe of Stans ute with paper and as Duncan Ferguson was leaving they were going to hop in and leave Stan with the dead ute. But Stan smelt a rat and Tom Ferguson left first, next thing Stan is on the back yelling out "see how smart you are, you bring it home". Half an hour later with the aid of bits of phone wire the boys got the ute going.

While working on the line through "Warrie" we noticed one of the workers on "Warrie" spent as much time under a big shady tree just over the hill below the shearing shed as he did out working. We gathered up about a dozen comics and books on religion and Stan Wilkinson nailed them to the tree. Next day about 11 o'clock he arrived at the tree to fill an hour before lunch, but he stayed only one minute and never to return.

Each man took his own food, this was usually in a sugar bag and at each meal time someone would boil the billy, all would gather around and have a feed. While on the line near Diamond Creek, Limekilns Duncan Ferguson caught a Frilled Neck Lizard and put it in Stan Wilkinsons tucker bag. Come lunch time Stan opens the tucked bag, pulls out his mug and lo & behold there was the lizard with his head stuck in the mug. Stan threw the mug one way and the tucker bag the other, then started to work out who was the culprit. He said " I know Latham (Duncan) wouldn't do it, Tom wouldn't do it, Carl wouldn't do it, so it must have been that bloody Frank Theobald. Poor Frank was the only one not in the know.

SOME RECORDS RELATING TO THE PALMERS OAKEY RECREATION GROUND

PALMERS OAKEY PUBLIC RECREATIONAL GROUND
 # R33619
NOTIFIED 17TH DECEMBER 1901
Portion 8
County Roxburgh
Parish Dulabree
Area 5 Acres

PALMERS OAKEY TENNIS CLUB
Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members for 1918.

Mrs E Ferguson, Mr E Ferguson, C Ferguson, R Ferguson, R S Ferguson, E McKinnon, L McKinnon ,S McKinnon,, H A Thompson, E Theobald,, R Theobald, A Theobald, H Morgan, A Morgan, A Shumack, H Shumack

INCOME

Tennis ball Subs	6-1-6
Sum for Cricket Mats	2-10-0
	8-11-6

EXPENDITURE

Tennis balls	6-18-10
Tennis Not	2- 2- 6
	8- 1- 4
Income	8-11- 6
Expend.	8- 1- 4
	10- 2

Tennis Club Matches for 1918

02-03-1918	P.O vs Limekilns	Lost by 3 games
16-03-1918	P.O vs Limekilns	Won by 2 games
24-03-1918	P.O. vs Capertee	Won by 9 games
29-03-1918	P.O. vs Capertee	Won by 50 games
01-09-1918	P.O. vs Ben Bullen	Lost by 1 game
21-09-1918	P.O. vs Limekilns	Won by 1 set oven games
28-09-1918	P.O. vs Ben Bullen	Won by 7 games

15-06-1935 Public meeting was held re Recreation Reserve No.33-619. When 3 new trustees were elected. E J Bennett, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson, Ewen Ferguson resigned as sec/tres. and D L Ferguson was elected in place of R McKinnon. W Theobald removed and D McKinnon deceased.

29-07-1939 Recreation Trustees meeting held at the Recreation Ground, Present, E Ferguson, E J Bennett, D L Ferguson. Business in hand to discuss the erection of a tennis court. It was decided to call a public meeting to discuss same.

19-08-1939 A trustees meeting was held to discuss the renting of grass rights on the Recreation Reserve. Trustees agreed D L Ferguson had removed sufficient briars to cover the rent for this period. Present E Ferguson, T Ferguson, D Ferguson. Moved T Ferguson the grass rights be granted to E Ferguson, destruction of briars being payment for rent. Secretary of the trust wrote to Under Sec of Lands advising of the change in Trustees and asking for a grant for the court.

07-09-1940 Recreation Trustees meeting at Rec. Ground. Present E J Bennett, C D Munro, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. Moved E J Bennett seconded D Ferguson, the grass rights were granted to D T Ferguson for 12 months, destruction of briars and sinking of dam in a position approved by trustees being payment.

PALMERS OAKEY CRICKET CLUB MEMBERS 1945

D C Munro	5-0
D T Ferguson	5-0
S C McKinnon	5-0
C Theobald	5-0
J Theobald	5-0
A Smith	5-0
E E Smith	5-0
E M Smith	5-0
E J Bannett	5-0
C Hannan	5-0
E Ezzy	5-0
J Nairn	5-0
F Theobald	5-0
A T Hyde	5-0
P Elliott	5-0
D L Ferguson	5-0
S Wilkinson	5-0
Warrie & Co	5-0
J Elbourn	5-0
	£4-15-0

cash on hand at end of season 2/6

31-08-1946 Rec Trustees meeting at Rec Ground, all five trustees present. Grass rights were granted to D L Ferguson for 15/-. The matter of the removal of two pine trees from the cricket ground was also discussed and a motion was carried that one tree be removed and one to remain . It was also decided that after playing of 3 cricket matches the position be reviewed, namely if the remaining tree be removed or not. The trustees in favour of removing one tree and leaving one were, S Wilkinson, C Munro, D L Ferguson.
Those in favour of removing both trees were D T Ferguson and E J Bennett.

PALMERS OAKEY CRICKET CLUB 1946

Claude Sinclair	1-0-0
D T Ferguson	1-0-0
Sam Harrison	1-0-0
D L Ferguson	1-0-0
J Theobald	1-0-0
E M Smith	1-0-0
F Theobald	1-0-0
S Wilkinson	1-0-0
T J Grabham	1-0-0
C Theobald	1-0-0
J Elbourn	1-0-0
S C McKinnon	1-0-0
E Maloney	1-0-0
E E Smith	1-0-0
A Smith	1-0-0
	£15-0-0

Cash on hand 26-10-46 £2-00

The locals built a concrete cricket pitch (still there) and several matches were played on it. On one occasion the Palmers Oakey team played Sofala at Sofala. At that time Sofala had some wonderful players and were at the top of the ladder. They went into bat first, and took the boys from up the river too cheap, they thought their openers would bat all day, so most of them went down to the pub. What they did not know , the Oakey had some really good bowlers, Eric Maloney, fast and accurate, Jack Elbourn, slow spinner, and accurate. Soon they had to send for more batsmen, then some more and soon there were no more.
Some of the Oakey batsmen could swing an axe all day, so when their willow met the ball it went a long way. Others you could not bowl out with a machine gun got a few runs. All this chasing leather on a hot day, a few undigested beers and no help from unhappy supporters saw Sofala grind to a halt. The Oakey won the game and better still an important cup.

Sofala were not happy and when the return match for their "stolen" cup was held at the Palmers Oakey ground they came armed to the teeth, only the top players, a lot of supporters and every bottle the pub could supply. It was a day we remembered, but did not talk about.

12-07-1951 Special recreation trustees meeting held at night at Martins Cottage .Present D T Ferguson, E J Bennett, S Wilkinson, D L Ferguson, the meeting was held to discuss the spending of the amount of £25-0-0 granted by the Minister of Lands to be spent on repairs and improvements to the recreation reserve. It was decided to erect a new lavatory if cost not too high limit £18-0-0. D L Ferguson to interview C Munro on the matter, also decided if funds sufficient to put new doors on the shelter shed. Matter to be reviewed later.

25-09-1952 Rec trustees meeting held , present D T Ferguson, C Munro, D L Ferguson. Moved D T Ferguson seconded C Munro secretary complete forms received from Lands Dep. and return same. Moved D T Ferguson seconded C Munro that meetings be held each 3 months. Next meeting approx. 18-12-52. Moved C Munro seconded T Ferguson that lavatory be erected north of tennis court near phone pole , also to erect as soon as possible. Moved D L Ferguson seconded C Munro that D T Ferguson be elected President. Moved T Ferguson seconded C Munro that D L Ferguson be elected Secretary. Cost of material for Recreation shed. 10 sheets 7' iron 15-0-0 4, sheets 6'iron 4-10-0, timber 3-7-0, 4 cement 1-19-4, 1 1/21bs spring head nails 3/8, Total, 25-00-0 ,
Purchased from W Hopper on 19-03-1952

23-08-1953 Tennis and put new -Wagga" stove in shed, stove cost £4-15-0 and flue 19/9d.

29-09-1953 Rec Trustees Annual meeting. Present D T Ferguson, C Munro, D L Ferguson. Moved C Munro seconded D L Ferguson that F Theobald be paid £20-0-0 for carting 40 yards of top dressing onto tennis court . Moved D Ferguson seconded C Munro that payment for stove and flue be passed. Moved T Ferguson seconded C Munro that grass rights be let to D L Ferguson for 15/-. Statement of receipts and payments were passed.
New improvements year ended 30-9-53

Concrete floor in shed	10-0-0
Lavatory	22-0-0
Stove & fittings	5-15-0
Renewal of top-dressing	20-0-0

Attendance at Meetings C Munro 3, E J Bennett 2, S Wilkinson 2, D T Ferguson 2, D L Ferguson 3

24-04-1954 Working bee on weather shed at recreation ground.

25-04-1954 C Munro, D L Ferguson & C Ferguson finished the front of the weather shed.

09-05-1954 Tennis at Palmers Oakey against Bathurst.

16-05-1954 Tennis at Palmers Oakey against Reg Hardings team from Ilford.

23-05-1954 Tennis

07-07-1959 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club reformed at a meeting held at "Oaks", and it was discussed if the court was to have lights. Moved D Ferguson seconded B Thompson that W K Shumack be Chairman. Moved D Ferguson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that C D Munro be Vice Chairman. Moved B Thompson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that C Ferguson be Secretary. Moved B Thompson seconded C D Munro that D Ferguson be Treasurer. Moved B Thompson seconded S Knight that membership fees be Ladies 10/- and Gents £1-0-0.
Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that Committee go ahead and light the court and arrange means of financing same. Moved B Thompson seconded J Theobald that a fat lamb be raffled tickets to be 1/- each.

Moved B Thompson seconded J Ryndus that treasurer purchase 10 x 100 raffle books. Moved D Thompson seconded E J Bennett that Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Treasurer form sub-committee for raffle. Moved S Wilkinson seconded J Theobald sub-committee investigate cost of lighting and arrange for next meeting.

26-01-1960 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" 8-45 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, J Theobald, C Ferguson sec. Apologies C Munro, E Bennett. Sec read minutes of last meeting , Mrs S Wilkinson moved and seconded J Theobald they be passed. No correspondence. Accounts Western Times 5/6. Moved S Wilkinson seconded J Theobald that Sec pay ac. at Times. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded J Theobald sec contact Banfield, & Wilson re costs of lighting court and cost of power point and light in shed.

02-03-1961 Annual Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" at 8-54 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, E Bennett, J Theobald, S Knight, C Munro, D Ferguson, C Ferguson, No apologies. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded C Munro that minutes be passed. Office Bearers. Moved D Ferguson seconded S Knight that W Shumack be chairman. Moved E Bennett seconded S Knight that C Ferguson be Secretary. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that D Ferguson be treasurer. Accounts £2-7-6 for teapot. Cr Bal £42-5-7. Moved D Ferguson seconded J Theobald that an A/c for P 0 Tennis Club be opened at Commonwealth Savings Bank. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded E Bennett that Chairman Treasurer and Secretary operate the A/c. Sec read a quote from T Banfield for lighting court. Cost £125-0-0 plus running expenses. A discussion was held re lighting court and a count of intending players was approx 15. Moved S Knight seconded D Ferguson that S Knight inquire cost of tape to mark court. Moved S Knight seconded D Ferguson that membership fee be retrospective to 1-7-60. Moved C Ferguson seconded S Knight that a working bee to be held as soon as possible and tennis start following Sunday. Moved S Knight seconded J Theobald working bee to be held 5-3-61 at 2 PM. Moved S Knight seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that club supply tea and members bring own refreshments. Moved S Knight seconded C Munro Ex. call next meeting. Meeting closed 10.15 PM.

18-07-1961 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Meeting held at "Oaks" 8-10 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, D Thompson, B Thompson, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, J Theobald, C Munro, S Knight, D Ferguson, C Ferguson. Apology A Wilkinson. Moved D Ferguson seconded C Munro that minutes be passed. No Correspondence. Treasurer reported Credit Bal £45-13-7. Sec read quotes for lights installation. T Banfield Bathurst £160-0-0 and Barry Murphy Wallerawang £120-0-0. Moved D Thompson seconded J Theobald that B Murphy be contacted for a more definite quote and if right go ahead. Moved B Thompson seconded D Ferguson Hartley C C be contacted re power cost. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that Ex notify date of work on court. Moved C Munro seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that Ex set date of next meeting .

12-10-1961 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Meeting held at "Oaks" 10-10 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, B Thompson, D Thompson, C Shumack, C Munro, J Theobald, D Ferguson, C Ferguson. Apologies E Bennett, S Knight. Moved D Ferguson seconded D Thompson minutes be passed. No correspondence. Sec reported Barry Murphy was unable to carry out installation of lights on the court due to a ban on weekend work by Wang Elec Comm.
D Ferguson reported that Hartley C C stated that there would be a min charge.
Treasurers Report Bank £57-0-1 Cash £11-18-0 Balance £58-18-1
Moved D Ferguson seconded J Theobald sub committee be formed to meet Mr McCann for further details re light installation, sub committee to be W Shumack, D Ferguson, C Munro, A Wilkinson, C Ferguson.

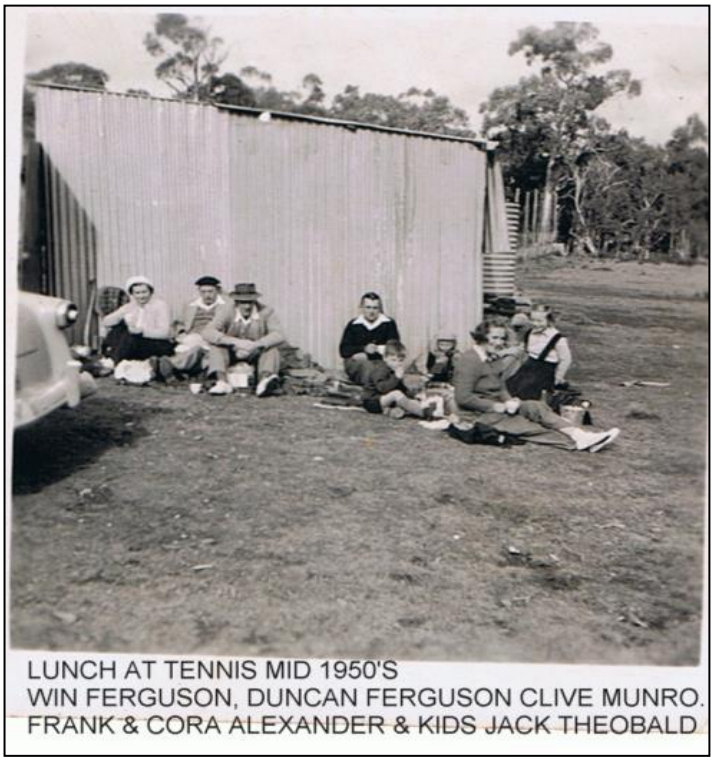
27-09-1962 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks"9.30 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, C Munro, B Thompson, E J Bennett, J Theobald, L Constable, S Wilkinson, D Ferguson, C Ferguson. No Apologies. Moved D Ferguson seconded E Bennett minutes be accepted. No correspondence. S Wilkinson reported that Mr McCann was unable to do the lighting of the court
Treasurers Report Bank £58-17-2 Cash 3- 8-0 £62-5-2
A discussion was held re the lighting of the court. Moved C Munro seconded J Theobald that the sec contact H Schofield, M Scott and others re quotes. Moved C Munro seconded S Wilkinson that 30-11-1962 be deadline for installation and sec notify members when quotes to hand. It was left to the ex. to call next meeting. Meeting closed 10.30 PM.

From this time on the interest in tennis waned and within two years no tennis was played.

Cash on hand donated to Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade

On the 27th Sep 1982 C Ferguson pulled down what was left of the fence around the court.

There are still Trustees managing the ground.



LUNCH AT TENNIS MID 1950'S
WIN FERGUSON, DUNCAN FERGUSON CLIVE MUNRO.
FRANK & CORA ALEXANDER & KIDS JACK THEOBALD

1 Stan McKinnon 2 Les McKinnon 3 Bob Theobald. 4 Aiden Shumack. 5 Ewen Ferguson. 6 Fred Theobald. 7 Alex Theobald. 8 Charlie Ferguson. 9 Ronnie Ferguson. 10 Edith Ferguson. 11 Violet Ferguson. 12 Louie Ferguson. 13 Ett Munro. 14 Eliza Theobald. 15 Elizabeth Ferguson 16 Dot Theobald. 17 ? ? ?.



PALMERS OAKEY TENNIS C1911



PALMERS OAKEY TENNIS C1920



PALMERS OAKEY TENNIS C1934 at Munro's Court.

L to R. Ossie Stark, Ernie Theobald, Clive Munro, Jack Munro, ?? ??, Dave Munro, Walter Seabrook, Mrs Munro, Len Munro, Jean Munro, Bill Elbourn, ? McLean, Win Ferguson, Duncan Ferguson, Flo Elbourn, Tom Martin, Eileen Taylor, Kit Ferguson, Phil Ferguson.

PALMERS OAKEY PONY CLUB

During the 1970's under the guidance of Bill Shumack, a pony club was formed. Meetings were held at the recreation ground and the local kids had a grounding in the art of horse riding.

BUSH FIRE BRIGADE.

Like all communities across Australia , Palmers Oakey had its brigade, and it was formed about the same time as the majority were. It may have been the aftermath of the Black Friday fires, but people became organized and in 1940 the following were the founding landholders.

Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade formed:-

Aiden Shumack	10-0
E M Ferguson	10-0
D Ferguson	10-0
C Munro	3-0
Mrs A Elbourn	2-6
T Ferguson	10-0
J Shumack	7-6
T G Scott	2-6
H A Thompson	1-00-0
	£3-15-6

00-00-1942 Bush Fire Brigade members, C D Munro, T Ferguson, C Shumack.

14-04-1943 D L Ferguson appointed Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade Vice Captain, E E Smith Captain

1948 BUSH FIRE BRIGADE MEMBERS

T Ferguson	£1-0-0
C Shumack	2-10-0
D Ferguson	1-0-0
F Theolbald	10-0
C Munro	10-0
Est E Ferguson	10-0
J Elbourn	10-0

1949 Palmers Oakey bush fire brigade received subs from.

Thompson Bros	£4-10-0
L Seaman	10-0
S Harrison	10-0
S Wilkinson	10-0
B A Brown	1-10-0

15-09-1955 Bush fire brigade meeting at D L Fergusons. Moved office bearers be the same as last year . Equipment on hand. 1 Power spray, 2 knapsacks, 2 x 44 gal drums, Present W Shumack, E J Bennett, F Theobald, J Theobald, T Ferguson, D Ferguson, S Wilkinson, C Munro, P Manning.

04-12-1956 Fire brigade pump demonstration at "Nebo" crossing. Present W Shumack, E J Bennett, D Ferguson, T Ferguson, C Ferguson, S Wilkinson, B Hurst, C Munro, D Thompson, P Manning.

00-10-1957 Palmers Oakey bush fire brigade meeting . Present D Ferguson, C Shumack. W Shumack. C Munro. E Bennett. D Thompson. P Manning. Office bearers same as last year. It was agreed to pay John Martin £10-0-0 for dozing road to fire at Dark Corner. Moved brigade look at two way radios. Levy £1-0-0 per 1000 sheep.

1957.The brigade was called to the following fires and as the dates show it was very busy. These fires were big and there were at times 100's of men fighting them. At this stage the brigade was the best in the Bathurst district, it had men like Ned Bennett, Clive Munro, Stan Wilkinson, Duncan Ferguson, who had been fighting fires , and been in the bush all their lives, and worked as a team.
When these fires became serious Turon Shire declared an emergency, D Ferguson was put in charge, based at Hill End (in the pub), radios were almost non existent, so C Ferguson was made runner, in the Land Rover, or on foot. The Palmers Oakey brigade was at the fore front most of the time. At the Sallys Flat fire they went 56 hours without sleep'

19-11-1957 Bush fire at Sallys Flat
20-11-1957 Bush fire at Sallys Flat
22-11-1957 Fire at Sallys Flat got away.
23-11-1957 Fire at Sallys Flat.
24-11-1957 Fire at Sallys Flat.
25-11-1957 Fire at Sallys Flat.
26-11-1957 Fire at Sallys Flat.
01-12-1957 Bush fire on Harrisons at Clear Creek
20-12-1957 Bush fire on Williams at Clear Creek
21-12-1957 Bush fire on Williams at Clear Creek
22-12-1957 Bush fire on Williams at Clear Creek
23-12-1957 Bush fire at Wattle Flat
24-12-1957 Bush fire at Wattle Flat
25-12-1957 Bush fire at Hill End
26-12-1957 Bush fire at Hill End, P 0 Brigade came home to watch its own area.

1958 Bush fire brigade meeting held at D Fergusons, present were E Maloney. S Wilkinson. W Shumack. E Bennett. D Ferguson. C Munro. P Manning. C Shumack. D Thompson. Moved there be no levy this year. The following office bearers were elected. Chairman C Shumack. Sec/Treas. D Thompson. Captain W Shumack. Dep Captains E Bennett and C Munro. Lieutenants E Maloney. S Wilkinson. D Thompson.

26-09-1965	Bush fires everywhere, 12 in Palmers Oakey area, brigade concentrated on High Top , Cattle Run. The snow in July had brought down a lot of branches off trees in the bush, these had dried out and made wonderful fire fodder. It took almost a week to get them under control.
16-12-1965	Brigade members testing radios and word came through that “Clearvale" woolshed at Limekilns was on fire, brigade Rover was there in less than 20 minutes but too late to help save the woolshed that burnt to the ground.
01 -12-1966	Bush Fire Brigade meeting. Present S Wilkinson, C Munro, C Ferguson, W Shumack, D Thompson, B Thompson, C Shumack. Office bearers Pres. B Thompson, Captain W Shumack. Vice Pres C Shumack, Dept Capts. E Bennett, C Munro, E Maloney, C Ferguson, Sec/Treas B Thompson. Levy $6-00 per 1000 sheep. Brigade to run raffle to raise money for Land Rover

The following are examples of more busy years.

09-01-1985	Bush fire at "Warrie" between woolshed paddock and creek.
10-01-1985	Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons.
16-01-1985	Lighting started fires at, Riletts in Bill Shumacks and Golden Gate on the Capertee side of the Turon.
17-01-1985	Six brigade members to the fire at Golden Gate.
30-01-1985	Fire brigade to a fire at Blue Hill Limekilns.
07-02-1985	Bush fire at "Bingletree". It was lit by the young lad working there.
08-02-1985	Brigade members to "Bingletree" fire , the lad had lit more fires.
09-02-1985	Fire at "Bingletree" mopped up.
12-03-1985	Radio test for fire brigades.
03.01.94	Lighting started 2 fires on Mt Horrible
04.01.94	Fire
05.01.94	Fire. Norm Anthes killed by falling tree.
06.01.94	Fire
10.01.94	Norm Anthes funeral in Lithgow
04.08.94	Bush fire meeting at C Fergusons. Bill Shumack resigned as Capt. & Alec Thompson elected Capt Bill Shumack Peter Jennings & Duncan Ferguson Dep. Caps. C Ferguson Group Capt.
28.08.94	Fire at Coolamigal
29.08.94	Fire
30.08.94	Fire
19-03-1995	Cairn in memory of Norm Anthes unveiled on Mt Horrible by Mrs Glenda Anthes, there was a large crowd , Mick Clough MP, Mayors of Lithgow & Evans reps Bush Fire Council & numerous Brigades.
27-02-2000	Fire meeting at “Peters Fire Shed”, decided to dispose of old Inter fire truck & build a fire shed.
13-03-2000	Fire meeting at “Peters Fire Shed”, some people not happy re disposal of Inter. Lightning started fire at Sandy Pinch, 8 attended and it burnt about 1 ha.
00-03-2000	Mark Lilly dozing and grading fire trails
00-04-1999	Mark Lilly dozing and grading fire trails
24-04-2000	Meeting at Recreation ground re new fire shed. Decided to build it on an area adjoining the rec ground donated by Fergusons.
24-04-2001	Bill Shumack & Clive Munro presented with 50 years bush fire service badges at meeting at Lithgow, (Geoff received Clive’s on his behalf)
21-12-2003	Fire at head of Oakey near Mt Franklin trail, Alec Thompson, Peter Jennings, Phillip Morcombe and Colin Ferguson .
22-12-2003	Fire at Lochaber Gully, Alec Thompson, Peter Jennings, Philip Morcombe and Colin Ferguson went but were called back as Capertee could handle it.
07-01-2004	Bushfire in Turon Park alongside High Top fire trail, Alec Thompson, Chris Schoefield, Duncan Ferguson and Colin Ferguson attended and put under control by 11-00pm
27-03-2004	B-B-Q at Fire Shed. Shed officially opened by Bobbie Shumack. Clive Munro unveiled Plaque. 70 people attended.
28-05-2005	Intergal Energy men connected power to fire shed as a public service.
03-09-2006	Training day at fire shed. 14 people
05-10-2006	Jet crashed in Turon State Forest killing both pilot & passenger, started fire , Alec Thompson& Chris Schoefield .
08-10-2006	Ron Ellis , Simond Clissold & Col Ferguson to fire that jet started
15-10-2006	Farewell party at fire shed for Jennings.
04-11-2006	Kathy, Neil Cameron Mc Landers & Simond Clissold to fire training day at Meadow Flat.
22-11-2006	Fire at Knights Gully about 20 people from Sunny Corner, Capertee, Portland attended. Simond Clissold & Chris Schoefield stayed over night.
23-11-2006	Ron Ellis , Joy & Col Ferguson at fire
24-11-2006	Ron Ellis & Col Ferguson at Fire
25-11-2006	Ron Ellis checked fire.
31-12-2006	New Years party at fire shed, 20+ people.

The above is a short summary of brigade happenings. Considering the population the brigade has always been keen and ready. They always worked to get new and better equipment, and at the present time have a well equipped and maintained fleet of 3 vehicles, 1 trailer and an excellent shed and toilet.

MEMORIAL TO NORM ANTHES ON MT HORRIBLE.





OFFICAL OPENING OF FIRE SHED BY BOBBIE SHUMACK 27-3-2004



CLIVE MUNRO UNVEILING LIST OF PAST CAPTAINS



OFFICIAL TURN ON OF POWER, KEN COLLINS (Intergal Energy Rep) & Captain ALEC THOMPSON



OFFICIAL OPENING OF NEW TOILET. PAULINE COLLINS & LAURIE WARDMAN,

ELECTRICITY.

June of 1951 saw the then body responsible for electricity, Blaxland Shire, advise the people of Palmers Oakey that the Shire was investigating the supply of electricity to their area, The cost would be 228 pounds for each dwelling.

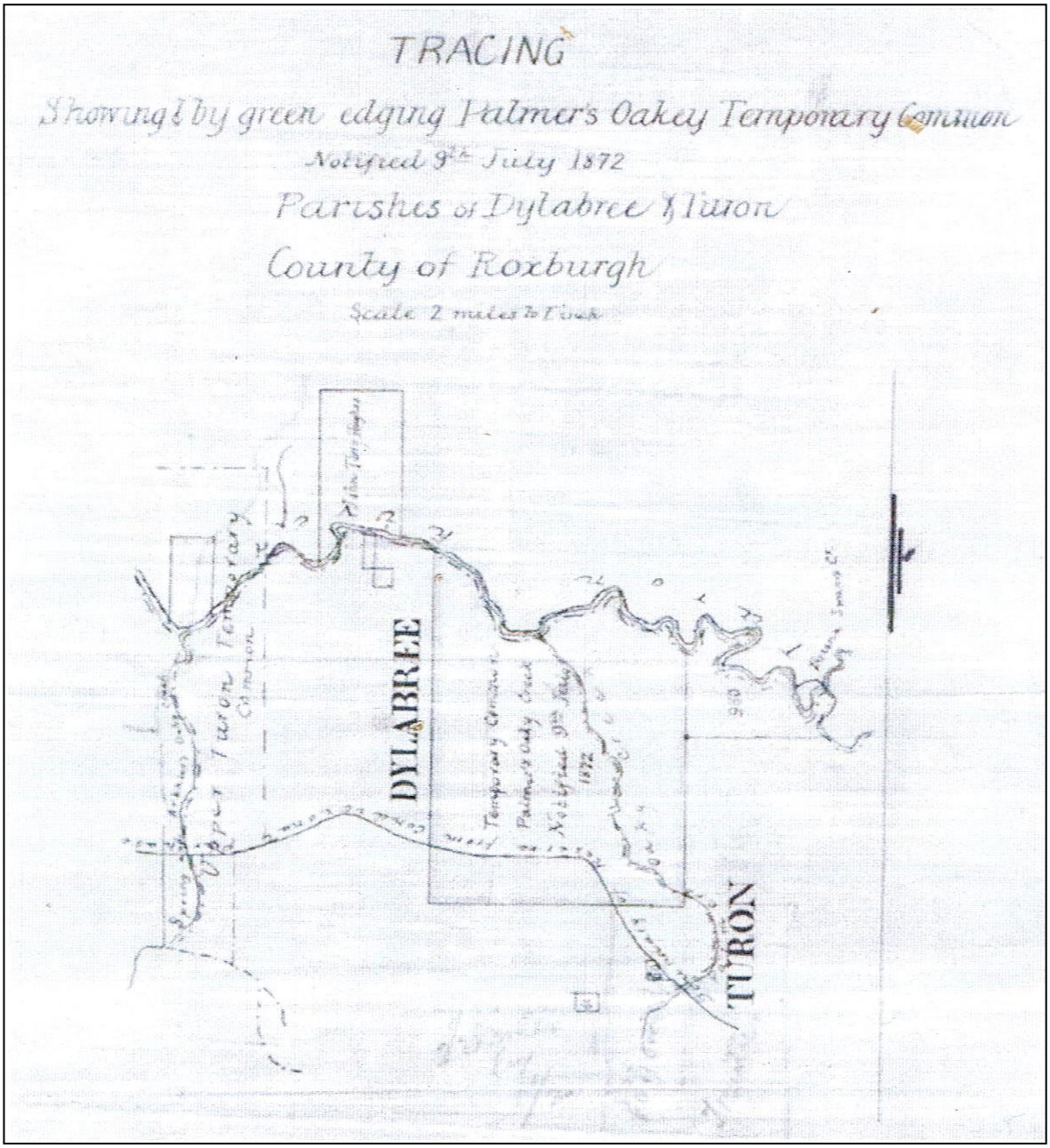
Time went by and a lot of talk left the locals at the mercy of a Dark Corner resident. Hartley County Council would supply 12 residents for a certain amount, any less in number and the cost would more than double. There were 11 plus the Dark Corner gent who held the Joker. So the locals paid his share

The Hartley County Councils team of lines men under the supervision of Phil Green erected the line. At times when they could not get their vehicles near the line the locals gave them a lift. This meant we all carried the pole to where it had to go, put it in the hole, keep it upright while the hole was filled and rammed.

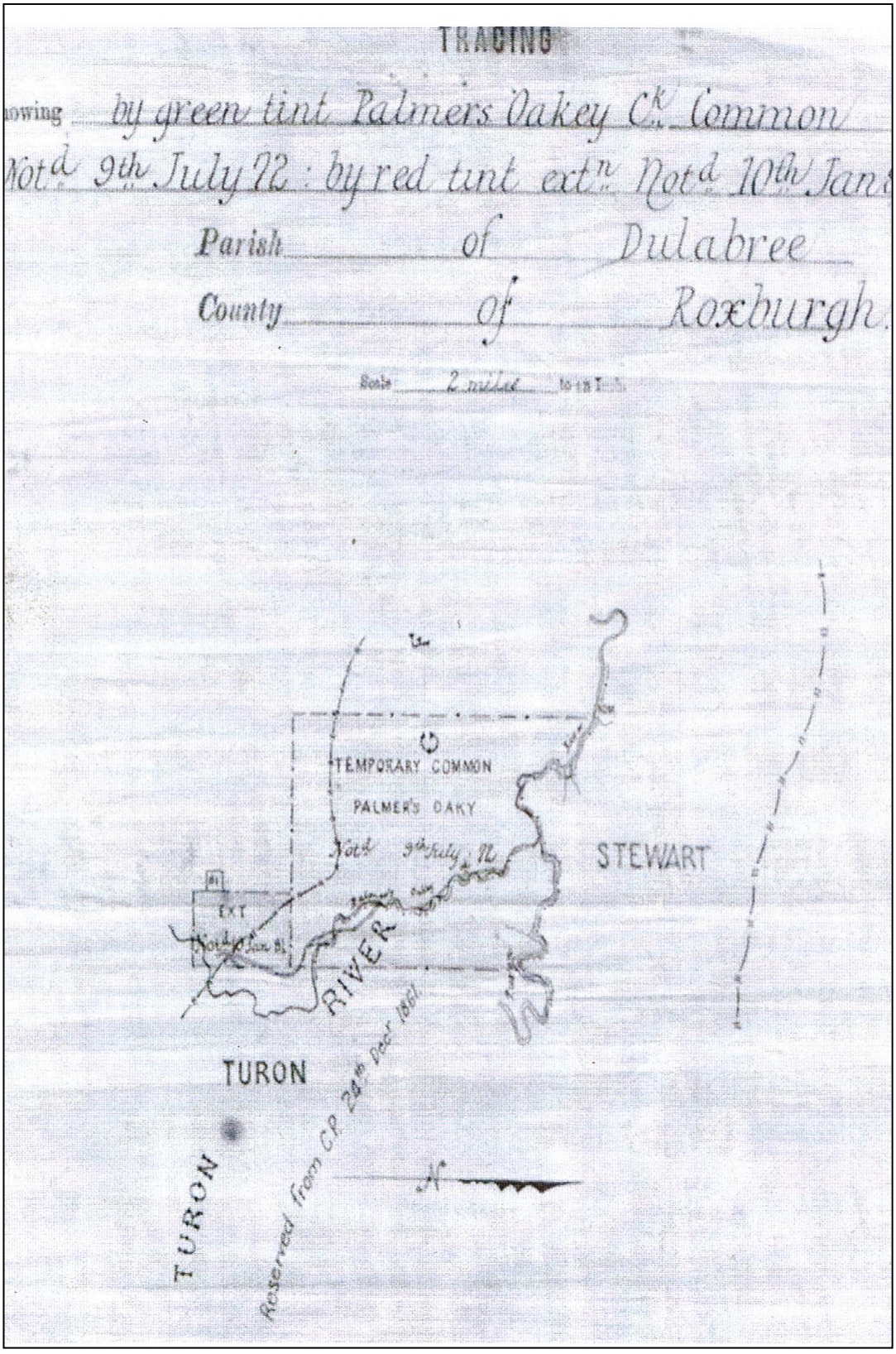
Then on the 25th March 1957 the power arrived and Palmers Oakey people saw the light.

PALMERS OAKEY COMMON.

Temporary Commons for Upper Turon and Palmers Oakey were notified 9th July 1872. (see map)



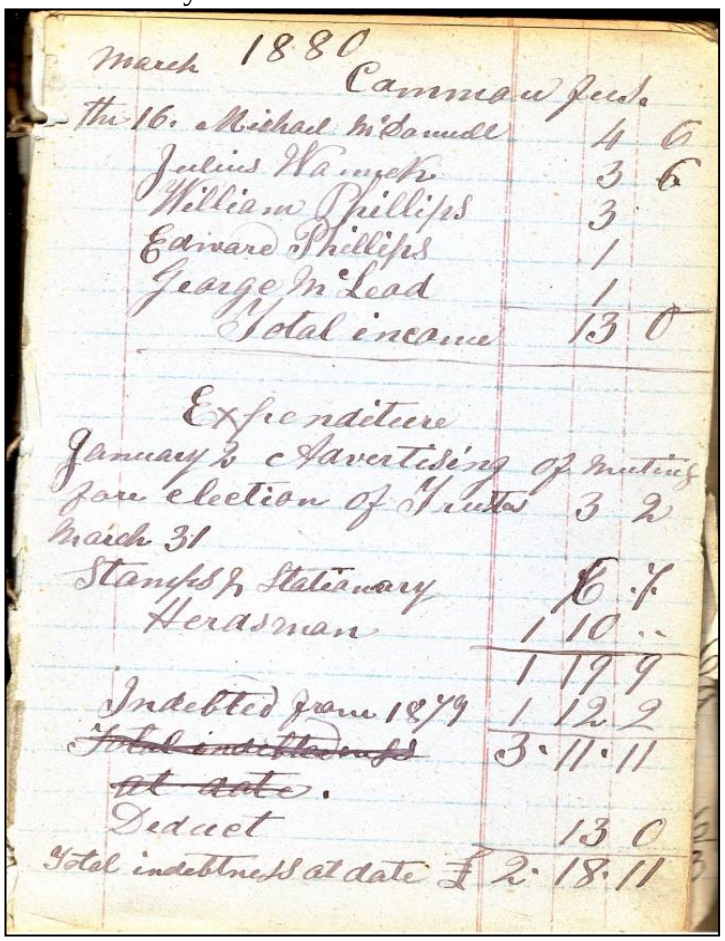
I have no record of the Upper Turon Common. The Palmers Oakey Common was extended in 1881 (see map)



The Common records were started in 1880 ,

The first page of the minute book is missing and the first record in it is, Saturday, September the 4. No Meeting. Jacob Dunkel Secretary,

The first entry in the cash book is March the 16 1880.



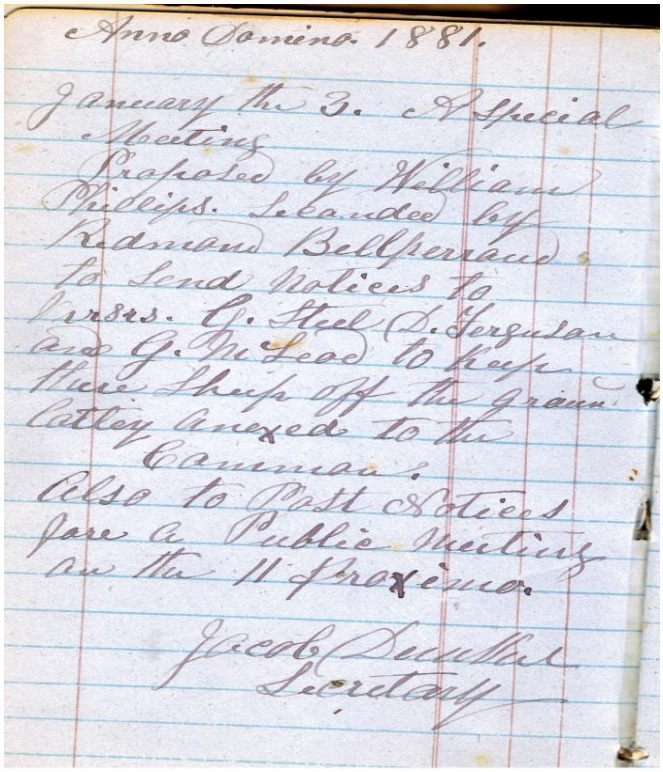
March 1880 Cammaw Fees.

The 16. Michael McDaniel	4	6
Julius Wampeh	3	6
William Phillips	3	
Edwards Phillips	1	
George McLead	1	
Total income	13	0

Expenditure

January 2 Advertising of Meeting for election of Trustees	3	2
March 31 Stamps & Stationary	6	½
Herdsman	1	10 ..
	1	19 9
Indebted from 1879	1	12 2
~~Total indebtedness at date.~~	3	11 11
Deduct	13	0
Total indebtedness at date £	2	18 11

The minute book recorded “no meeting” for each month , then in January 1881

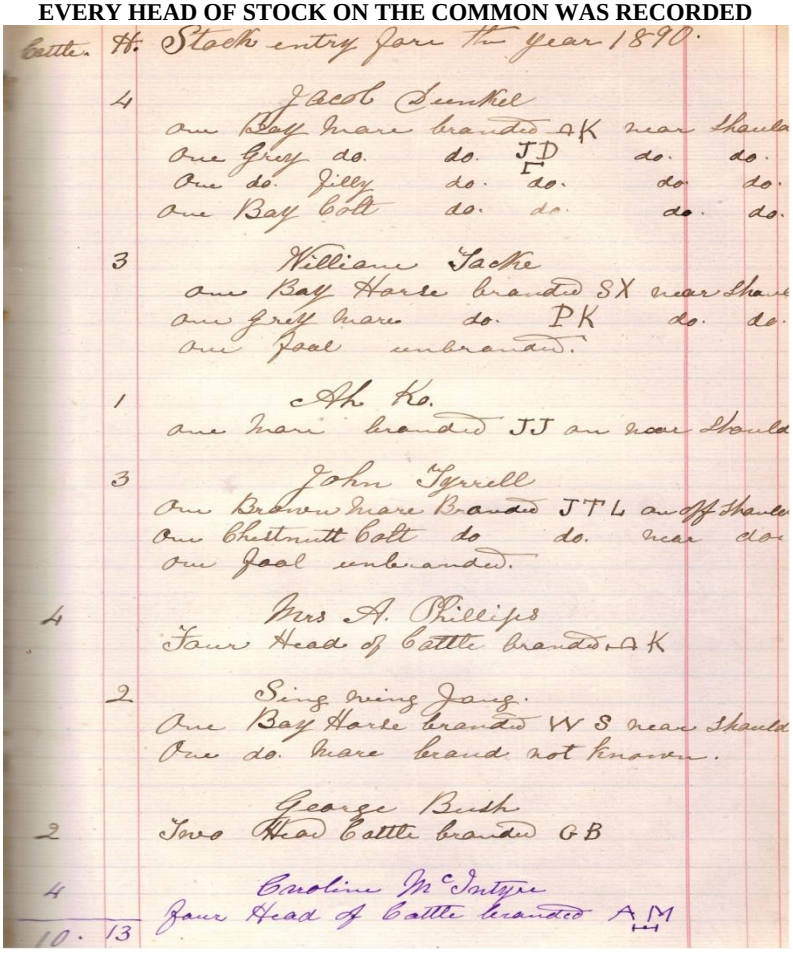


Anno Domino 1881.

January the 3. A Special Meeting
Proposed by William Phillips. Seconded by Redmond Bellfeuaud to send Notices to Messrs. G. Steel D. Ferguson and G. McLead to keep their Sheep off the grass Cattley Annexed to the Cammaw.
Also to Post Notices for a Public Meeting on the 11 Instance.

Jacob Beckett
Secretary

EVERY HEAD OF STOCK ON THE COMMON WAS RECORDED



Cattle. H. Stock entry for the year 1890.

4 Jacob Lenkel
one Bay mare branded 4K near Shoulder
One Grey do. do. JD do. do.
One do. Jilly do. do. do. do.
one Bay Colt do. do. do. do.

3 William Jacke
one Bay Horse branded SX near Shoulder
one grey mare do. PK do. do.
one foal unbranded.

1 Ah Ko.
one mare branded JJ on near Shoulder

3 John Tyrell
one Brown mare Branded JTL on off Shoulder
one Chestnutt Colt do do. near do.
one foal unbranded.

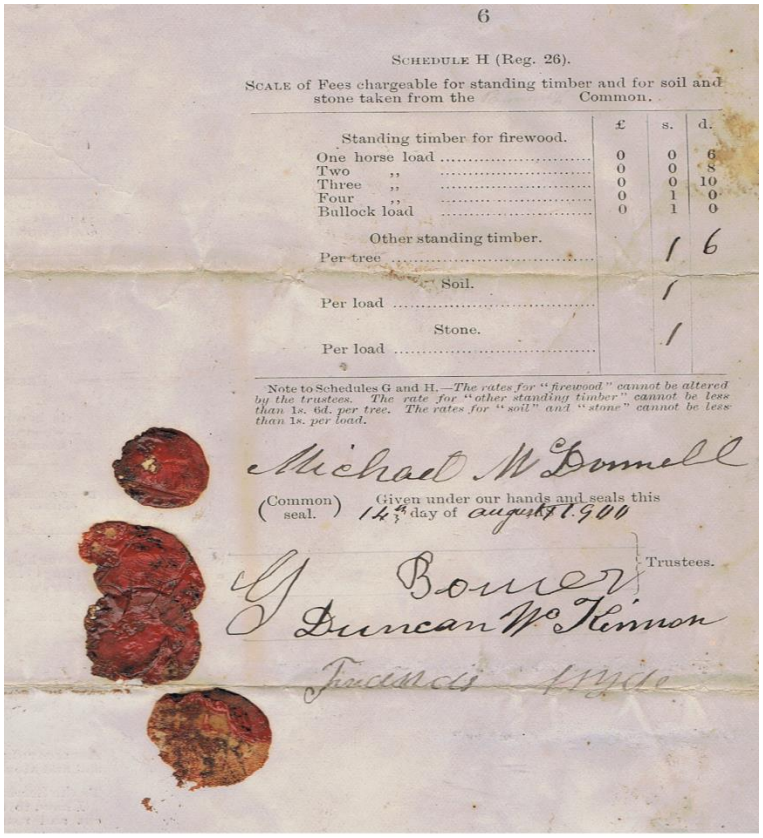
4 Mrs A. Phillips
Four Head of Cattle branded 4K

2 Sing Wing Jang.
One Bay Horse branded W S near Shoulder
One do. mare brand not known.

George Bush
2 Two Head Cattle branded GB

4 Caroline McIntyre
Four Head of Cattle branded AM

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SCHEDULE H (Reg. 26).

SCALE of Fees chargeable for standing timber and for soil and stone taken from the Common.

	£	s.	d.
Standing timber for firewood.			
One horse load	0	0	6
Two ,,	0	0	8
Three ,,	0	0	10
Four ,,	0	1	0
Bullock load	0	1	0
Other standing timber.			
Per tree		1	6
Soil.			
Per load		1	
Stone.			
Per load		1	

Note to Schedules G and H.—*The rates for "firewood" cannot be altered by the trustees. The rate for "other standing timber" cannot be less than 1s. 6d. per tree. The rates for "soil" and "stone" cannot be less than 1s. per load.*

Michael McDonnell

(Common seal.) Given under our hands and seals this 14th day of August 1900

Trustees.

J Bowen

Duncan McKinnon

Francis Hyde

SIGNED & SEALED Common Returns for 1899—1900

By the 1920's the briars had spread and taken control of most of the common , so on the 01-09-1923 A trustees meeting was held on the above date , present D Ferguson, P A Munro, S Greentree, C P Ferguson, & E Mc,Ferguson, & secretary. The revocation of common. Business to discuss the proposed revocation of common as trustees could not cope with the briar growth. A portion of Surveyors letter was read where he recommended the disposal of the whole of the common on account of briar growth. Proposed and carried that it was impossible for trustees to cope with the briars. The surveyors letter also urged that the best way to dispose of common would be to divide it amoung the residents on the common about six families in all if it could be agreed upon so as to give each an equitable share. Proposed by D Ferguson that the surveyors advice be taken and common be divided among residents Seconded by C P Ferguson and carried, three trustees for and two against. The two against wished it to go to public competition. D Ferguson chairman.

The last of the Common Records show.

1924 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	**CATTLE**	**HORSES**
D Ferguson		4
Mrs D Ferguson	5	
Flora Ferguson	4	
D T Ferguson	5	
C P Ferguson	1	4
Mrs C P Ferguson	5	
Stan McKinnon	5	
E McKinnon	5	
S Greentree		1
9	30	9

Common Ex £ l-19-61/2 Income£1-19-0 Stocktax 6/5

1924 COMMON ROLL

D Ferguson,
Mrs D Ferguson,
Mrs P A Munro ,
Mrs D McKinnon,
E P McKinnon,
E McC Ferguson,
Mrs E McC Ferguson
C P Ferguson,
Mrs C P Ferguson,
R S Ferguson,
P A Munro,
Les McKinnon,
Mrs D Munro,
Miss V M Ferguson,
S J Bower,
Stan McKinnon,
S Greentree,
Mrs S Greentree,
C F Ferguson

09-03-1925 Common sent letter to P P Board.
17-03-1925 Common sent letter to Inspector of Stock.

These letters were the end of the common.

WAR SERVICE.

There were a lot men that were born here and moved away that went to war. It is hard to get records for all of them but some were from following families. Southall. Wolfenden. Hyde. Elbourn . Ferguson, McLeod, Shumack, Franks, McKinnon,
The following from here went to WW l. Jack Shumack, Leonard Smith, KIA. Barney Smith, Duncan George Ferguson. Arthur Franks. Robert McKinnon.

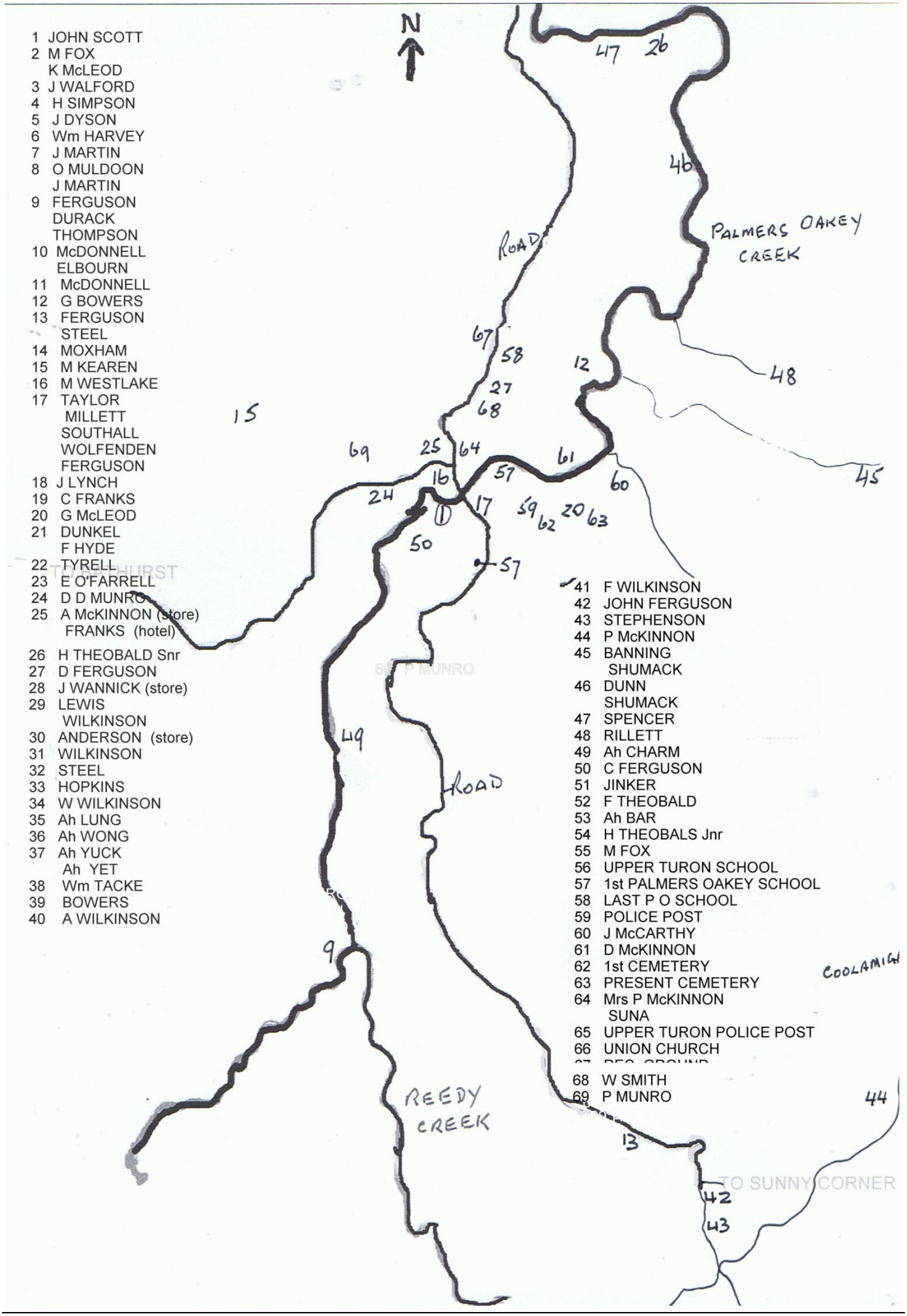
There were no locals that went to WW ll, and saw action, but locals enlisted in the Volunteer Defence Corps.
The local HQ was at Sunny Corner hall and the district HQ was in Bathurst at the Drill Hall. Where the Kentucky Chicken outlet is,
Some of the men were away for days at a time training, at Bathurst and Ingleburn near Sydney.
They were. Barney Smith, Tom Ferguson, Duncan Ferguson Brian Thompson was in the RAAF.



THE CRICK PEOPLE



BY COLIN FERGUSON


1 JOHN SCOTT
2 M FOX
K McLEOD
3 J WALFORD
4 H SIMPSON
5 J DYSON
6 Wm HARVEY
7 J MARTIN
8 O MULDOON
J MARTIN
9 FERGUSON
DURACK
THOMPSON
10 McDONNELL
ELBOURN
11 McDONNELL
12 G BOWERS
13 FERGUSON
STEEL
14 MOXHAM
15 M KEAREN
16 M WESTLAKE
17 TAYLOR
MILLETT
SOUTHALL
WOLFENDEN
FERGUSON
18 J LYNCH
19 C FRANKS
20 G McLEOD
21 DUNKEL
F HYDE
22 TYRELL
23 E O'FARRELL
24 D D MUNRO
25 A McKINNON (store)
FRANKS (hotel)
26 H THEOBALD Snr
27 D FERGUSON
28 J WANNICK (store)
29 LEWIS
WILKINSON
30 ANDERSON (store)
31 WILKINSON
32 STEEL
33 HOPKINS
34 W WILKINSON
35 Ah LUNG
36 Ah WONG
37 Ah YUCK
Ah YET
38 Wm TACKE
39 BOWERS
40 A WILKINSON
41 F WILKINSON
42 JOHN FERGUSON
43 STEPHENSON
44 P McKINNON
45 BANNING
SHUMACK
46 DUNN
SHUMACK
47 SPENCER
48 RILLETT
49 Ah CHARM
50 C FERGUSON
51 JINKER
52 F THEOBALD
53 Ah BAR
54 H THEOBALS Jnr
55 M FOX
56 UPPER TURON SCHOOL
57 1st PALMERS OAKEY SCHOOL
58 LAST P O SCHOOL
59 POLICE POST
60 J McCARTHY
61 D McKINNON
62 1st CEMETERY
63 PRESENT CEMETERY
64 Mrs P McKINNON
SUNA
65 UPPER TURON POLICE POST
66 UNION CHURCH
68 W SMITH
69 P MUNRO
N
ROAD
PALMERS OAKEY CREEK
ROAD
REEDY CREEK
COOLAMIGN
TO SUNNY CORNER
TO TENTHURST
P MUNRO



1 JOHN SCOTT
2 M FOX
K McLEOD
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66 UNION CHURCH
67 REC GROUND
68 W SMITH

THE CRICK PEOPLE

This word "**Crick"** is the way most of the people that lived in Palmers Oakey Creek pronounced the word "**Creek"**
The Crick people had a mixture of "mother tongues", and though the common language was English , it was well flavored. Like most isolated communities the Crick people developed their own unique "tongue". One example ; the word "yump" was used to describe "jump". I recently learnt from an old timer that as kids he and his mates used to play jokes on Jacob Dunkel who lived near the Sofala , Capertee cross roads. When they surprised him he would shout, " O, that make Yacob Yump"

The Crick runs north from it's head in the Winburndale Nature Reserve and on it's way gathers water from other Cricks, Reedy Crick, Sugarloaf Crick, Murdering Gully, Back Crick, Dam Gully, Stoney Gully, and then meets the Turon River.

When you meet people outside of Palmers Oakey they will ask "How's things at the Oakey or how's things at the crick"
When you meet people in the area it will be " That was a good flood in the crick," or "How much rain was there up the crick?"

Since the first Europeans came to the Crick a lot of people have made use of it's water. The first would have been the shepherds, and their flocks would have had some impact on banks and water quality. Then the gold rush, with it's hordes of miners tearing at the very guts of the Crick for the yellow metal. At times there would have been up to a thousand miners, all trying to get enough water to wash the stuff , wash their cloths, wash their bodies, drink for their animals, water for their vegetables, and water for a cup of tea. When the Crick stopped running, they went some where else. When the Crick flooded it washed their gear away and drowned some. In the good years the Crick was full of fish, then they "walked out " when the rains stopped. It rained and they came back

The population in the hey-day of the Crick would be about a thousand, this is only a gestimate as there was no real count, only numbers quoted by observers, one as high as four thousand. Even if one was there to count them, it would been neigh impossible as they were "rushing" from one field to another.
The people numbers started to stabilize about the 1900s, and the numbers held steady till the advent of mass motor cars in the 1950's. To-day the population of people on the quite days would be about the same as before the Europeans arrived, when the Aboriginals roamed the Crick

I have made a list of families that are associated with Palmers Oakey, some came and went, some stayed, some are inter married, but all have at some time made use of the Crick .

Archer, Banning, Beiriger, Bennett, Bower, Buckerfield, Bush, Palmers Oakey Chinamen, Dunn, Dyson, Elbourn, Ferguson, Fox , Franks, Frost, George McLeod, Gettens, Hartigan, Harvey—Doran—Myles, Henley, Hyde, K McLeod, Kensett, Larkin, Lewis, Liardet, Lynch, Martin, McCarthy, McDonnall, McIntyre, McKinnon, Millett, Moxon Munro, O'Farrell, Parr, Phillips, Scott (Upper Turon), Scott (Dark Corner) Shumack, Smith, Southall, Spencer, Stevenson, Taylor, Theobald, Thompson, Tyrrell, Wannick, Westlake, Wilkinson, Wolfenden.

ARCHER

David Archer born 1819 Swindon Wil England, married on the 2nd September 1839 in Caerleon Wls England, to Elizabeth Ann Andrews

They had 6 children before they moved to Australia about 1853. Two children were born after they arrived.
Their last child **Elizabeth** is the one of interest to this area. She was born at Wattle Flat 2-4-1856 and in 1875 at Hartley married **William Parr** aged 64 of Dark Corner (**See Parr Tree)** and had 5 children. At the time of her marriage she was pregnant with Caroline whose father was Richard Shumack . Later on William appears to have "got even" with the Shumacks regarding Richards indiscretion, by selling up Richards widow and leaving her penny-less .
William died in 1888 at Dark Corner and is buried there.
Elizabeth re-married to Robert McLeonard Smith (**See Smith Tree)** of Coolamigal on the 24-7-1889.
One of her children George married at Palmers Oakey on the 28-12-1905 Margareta Munro (**See Munro Tree)** of Palmers Oakey.
Elizabeth died 18-10-1934 aged 78 years at Dark Corner and is buried at Dark Corner.

The first record I can find here is the 1870/71 Electoral Roll where David and 4 of his sons appear.

ELECTORAL ROLL 1870—71

NAME		AREA
Archer	David	Dark Corner
Archer	John	Dark Corner
Archer	William	Dark Corner
Archer	James	Warrie
Archer	Thomas	Dark Corner

Greville's Post Office Directory 1872 PALMER'S OAKEY
ARCHER J. squatter Warrie, Coolamiagel

PALMERS OAKEY POST OFFICE 1875/76.
ARCHER J squatter Warrie, Coolamiagel,

08-12-1871 At Palmer's Oakey, a team of bullocks, belonging to a man named Archer, were struck dead by lightning. Eight of these animals were then instantaneously killed. BFP

21-08-1872 ROBBERY OF GOLD.-A miner and gold-buyer, named **James Archer,** living at Coolamigal Creek, east of Palmer's Oakey (the Bathurst Times observes), sustained a severe loss on Sunday, 11th instant, by the robbery, from his dwelling house, of a parcel of gold containing thirteen and a half ounces. It appears that Archer left his hut to look after some business, having put the gold under his bed for safety, and upon returning he found that his place had been entered, and the parcel gone. Who the robber was does not seem very clear. Archer states that some Chinamen, who lived about a mile off, informed him that they had seen a brother Celestial in the neighborhood on the evening in question, and they all united in characterizing him as " no good," and as the thief who had stolen the gold ; but all search for this individual has as yet proved unavailing, although four or five different persons were sent out in all directions to look for him. We have since heard that before Archer's return home on the Sunday, the suspected Mongolian had actually been taken in charge by some men at the instance of the other Chinamen, but that he managed to escape before he was searched. About the time that the robbery was committed another of the residents on the creek missed a horse, and it is thought that this animal was also seized by the Chinaman, who is presumed to have gone towards Rylstone or Mudgee. The suspicions entertained against the supposed robber, it seems, are not strong enough to justify the issuing of a warrant for his apprehension, and Archer will not only, therefore, be a considerable loser by the theft, but he will also have to forego the very strong desire which he naturally possesses to bring the man to justice

1. **David Archer** b. 1819, Swindon Wil England, occupation Goldminer/ Farmer, m. 02-09-1839, in Caerleon WIs England, **Elizabeth Ann Andrews**. David died 23-01-1911,Bathurst, buried: Bathurst. Arrived Aust, 06-01-1853 per *"Rattler"*

Children:

2.	i	James Archer	b. 00-00-1834.
3.	ii	JohnArcher	b. 17-11-1840.
	iii	William Archer	b. 00-00-1843, Stratton Wil England.
	iv	Thomas Archer	b. 00-00-1846, Mdx England.
	v	Samuel Archer	b. 00-00-1849.
4.	vi	Sarah (Sis) Archer	b. 00-00-1852.
	vii	Joseph Archer	b. 00-00-1854, Wattle Flat, occupation Gold miner on Turon, d. 09-08-1943, Molong, buried: Molong (methodist). Land owner and lay preacher
5.	vii	Elizabeth Archer	b.02-04-1856.

Second Generation

2. **James Archer** b. 1834, Marlbrough Wil England, m. 1858, in Vittoria, **Sarah Atkins.**
James died 15-11-1915, Reedy Creek, buried: Reedy Creek.

Children:

i	Charles Mason Archer	b. 25-07-1860.

3. **John Archer** b. 17-11-1840, Manmouth Mon Wis England, m. 16-02-1868, in Mudgee, **Sarah Ann Slapp.**
John died 08-08-1916, Murga, buried: Murga.

Children:

6.	i	David John Archer	b. 17-01-1869.
7.	ii	Rebecca Sarah Archer	b. 28-09-1871.
8.	iii	Edith Archer	b. 07-10-1873.
9.	iv	Evalyn Jessy Archer	b. 10-07-1878.
10.	v	William Archer	b. 24-01-1882.
11.	vi	Frances MayArcher	b. 15-08-1885.
12.	vii	Alice Lillian Archer	b. 04-02-1889.
13.	vii	Grace Ann Archer	b. 19-08-1892.

4. **Sarah (Sis)Archer** b. 1852, Hampstead Mdx England, m. 13-09-1879, in Reedy Creek, **Edward Maher.**
Sarah died 11-03-1887, Reedy Creek, buried: Reedy Creek.

Children:

i	David Bryce Maher	b. 19-03-1881, Orange.
ii	Alice Louisa Maher	b. 22-05-1883, Reedy Creek.
iii	Mary Anne Maher	b. 03-11-1886, Murga.

5. **Elizabeth Archer** b. 02-04-1856, Wattle Flat, m. (1) 1875, in Hartley, **William Parr,** m. (2) 1889, in Bathurst, **Robert McLeonard Smith**. Elizabeth died 18-10-1934, Dark Corner, buried: Dark Corner. **William: See Parr Tree //Robert: See Smith Tree**

Children by William Parr:

i	William Parr	b. 00-00-1876.
Ii	George Parr	b. 00-00-1878.
iii	William Parr	b. 02-10-1880.
iv	Ernest Edwin Parr	b. 00-00-1883.

Children by Robert McLeonard Smith:

v	Amy Alice Smith	b. 16-08-1889, Dark Corner, d. 23-10-1973, Port Kembla, buried: Wollongong
vi	Robert Charles Smith	b. 06-05-1891, Dark Corner, d. 01-04-1 964, Dark Corner, buried: Dark Corner .
vii	Elsie McLeonard Smith	b. 06-09-1893, Dark Corner.
vii	Ada Ettie Smith	b. 04-08-1896, Dark Corner.
ix	Eric Archer Smith	b. 22-03-1899, Dark Corner, d. 18-10-1977, Bathurst, buried: Dark Corner.
x	Gordon Thomas Smith	b. 15-02-1902, Dark Corner, d. 00-00-1985, Bathurst.

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6. **David John Archer** b. 17-01-1869, Orange, m. 18-09-1910, in Murga, **Mary Elizabeth Birch (Smith).**
David died 14-02-1955, Eugowra, buried: Eugowra.

Children:

i	Sarah Eliza (Birdie) Archer.
ii	Zealer May Archer.
iii	Mary Grace Archer.
iv	Ernest James Robert (Bob) Archer.
v	Jean Isobel Archer.
vi	Charles Edward Archer.

7. **Rebecca Sarah Archer** b. 28-09-1871, Rylstone, m. 10-04-1898, in Rylstone, **Robert Henry Milton**.
Rebecca died 11-05-1954, Mudgee, buried: Mudgee.

Children:

i	Clyde Henry Milton	b. 04-01-1899, Mudgee.
ii	Harry Oliver Milton	b. 02-04-1904, Mudgee.
iii	Harvey Willis Milton	b. 02-04-1904, Mudgee.

8. **Edith Archer** b. 07-10-1873, Bathurst, m. 21-09-1899, in Mudgee, **Frederick John Wilton.**
Edith died 09-02-1965, Kogarah, buried: Kogarah.

Children:

i	Freda M Wilton	b. 00-00-1900, Mudgee.
Ii	Frederick (John) Wilton	b. 23-12-1901, Mudgee.
iii	Daphne H Wilton	b. 22-02-1905, Mudgee.

9. **Evalyn Jessy Archer** b. 10-07-1878, Sunny Corner, m. 26-12-1898, in Hargraves, **Thomas James Milton**.
Evalyn died 24-03-1899, Rylstone, buried: Mudgee.

Children:

i	Evalyn Milton	b. 19-03-1899, Mudgee.
ii	Jessy Milton	b. 19-03-1899, Mudgee.

10. **William Archer** b. 24-01-1882, Dark Corner, m. 24-02-1923, in Redfern, **Gladys Muriel Smith**.
William died 27-07-1955, Forbes, buried: Eugowra.

Children:

i	Gladys Archer.
ii	Edward John Archer.
iii	Betty Joan Archer.

11. **Frances May Archer** b. 15-08-1885, Sandy Creek, m. (1) 14-12-1905, in Orange, **Walter William Genge**, m. (2)17-03-1911, in Canowindra, **John Ingram (Jack) Genge**. Frances died 30-08-1986, Canowindra.

Children by Walter William Genge:

i	Herbert William Genge	b. 15-07-1907, Parkes.

Children by John Ingram (Jack) Genge:

ii	Helene Grace Genge.
iii	Doris May Genge.
iv	Leslie John Genge.
v	Alexander (Alex) Albert Genge.

12. **Alice Lillian Archer** b. 04-02-1889, Rylstone, m. 08-09-1909, in Parkes, **William John Bentley.**
Alice died 31-10-1975, Springwood, buried: Eastern Creek.

Children:

i	Violet Daisy Lily Bentley	b. 07-06-1910.
ii	Alma Hope Bentley.	
iii	Stanley John Bentley.	
iv	Alvin Earnest Bentley.	
v	Thelma Jean Bentley.	
vi	Nellie Irene Bentley.	
vii	Edna Joyce Bentley.	

13. **Grace Ann Archer** b. 19-08-1892, Rylstone, m. 02-08-1924, in Cudal, **William Alfred Chatman**.
Grace died 30-07-1976, Parkes.

Children:

i	William John Chatman.
ii	Leonard James Chatman.
iii	Delma Ada Chatman.

BANNING

The first record of Banning is the 1870 Roll,,it lists John Banning of Cattle Run near Warrie, this was their residence for several years. There is a hut on the site now owned by Shumacks.
The road marked on old maps from the cemetery up to Cattlerun is known as Bannings Road.
Several children married into local families ,Evans, McKinnon, Stait,

BANNING

1. **John Banning** m. 1848, in Kelso, **Elizabeth**

Children:

2.	i	Mary Banning	b. 00-00-1849.	
	ii	Eliza Banning	b. 00-00-1850, Bathurst,	d. 1865, Bathurst.
	iii	Elizabeth Banning	b. 00-00-1853, Bathurst.	
	iv	Annie Banning	b. 00-00-1854, Kelso,	d. 1865, Bathurst.
	v	infant	b. 00-00-1857, Bathurst,	d. 1857, Bathurst.
3.	vi	William Banning	b. 00-00-1857.	
4.	vii	Sarah Louise Banning	b. 00-00-1858.	
5.	viii	John H Banning	b. 00-00-1860.	
6.	ix	Robert A Banning	b. 00-00-1862.	
	x	Emily A Banning	b. 00-00-1864, Bathurst, m. 1889, in Lithgow, **Phillip Evans**	
	xi	James Banning	b. 00-00-1867, Bathurst,	d. 1869, Bathurst.
7	xii	Martha Jane Banning	b. 00-00-1870.	

Second Generation

2. **Mary Banning** b. 1849, Kelso, m. 1865, in Bathurst, **James Baker**

Children:

	i	Anne Baker	d. 1866, Bathurst.
	ii	Mary Baker	b. 00-00-1866, Bathurst.
	iii	James Baker	b. 00-00-1868, Bathurst.
	iv	(infant) Baker	b. 00-00-1869, Bathurst.
	v	William C Baker	b. 00-00-1871, Bathurst.
	vi	Joseph Henry Baker	b. 00-00-1875, Bathurst, d. 1885, Macquarie.
8.	vii	Sarah Ann Mary Baker	b. 22-12-1877.
	viii	Arthur Robert Baker	b. 00-00-1879,Bathurst.
	ix	Albert Edward Baker	b. 00-00-1880, Bathurst.
	x	Elizabeth Ann Baker	b. 00-00-1882, Bathurst.
	xi	Emily J Baker	b. 00-00-1884, East Macquarie.
	xii	Herbert Baker	b. 00-00-1886, East Macquarie.
	xiii	Ada F Baker	b. 00-00-1888, East Macquarie.

3. **William Banning** b. 1857, Bathurst, m. 1912, in Sydney, **Ellen Herbert**

Children:

i	Herbert T Banning	b. 00-00-1913, Redfern, m. 1928, in Redfern, **Linda Pearce**
ii	Marjory M Banning	b. 00-00-1915, Newtown.
iii	Sidney A Banning	b. 00-00-1916, Redfern, m. 1944, in Redfern, **Grace Eileen Green .**

4. **Sarah Louise Banning** b. 1858, Bathurst, m. 1877, in Sofala, **Duncan McKinnon**.
Sarah died 12-09-1947, "Oaks" Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey**. Duncan**: **See McKinnon Tree**

Children:

i	William J McKinnon	b. 00-00-1878, Palmers Oakey.
ii	Elizabeth J McKinnon	b. 00-00-1880, Palmers Oakey.
iii	Alice A McKinnon	b. 00-00-1882, Palmers Oakey.
iv	Robert D McKinnon	b. 00-00-1884, Palmers Oakey.
v	Donald A Mc Kinnon	b. 00-00-1888, Palmers Oakey.
vi	Ewen P McKinnon	b. 00-00-1893, Palmers Oakey.
vii	Henreitta McKinnon	b. 00-00-1895, Palmers Oakey.
viii	Duncan Leslie McKinnon	b. 00-00-1898, Palmers Oakey.
ix	Stanley Clive McKinnon	b. 00-00-1902, Palmers Oakey.

5. **John H Banning** b. 1860, Bathurst, m. 1909, in Wilcannia, **Annie L Peters** ,1930,Wilcannia.
John died 1944, Wilcannia.

Children:

i	William Banning	b. 00-00-1903, Wilcannia.
ii	Mary A Banning	b. 00-00-1905, Wilcannia.
iii	Marcella Banning	b. 00-00-1907, Wilcannia.
iv	William J Banning	b. 00-00-1910, Wilcannia.
v	Mary Banning	b. 00-00-1910, Wilcannia, m. 1926, in Broken Hill, **William J Fitch**
vi	Marcella Banning	b. 00-00-1910, Wilcannia, m. 1928, in Granville, **Clifford L Crisp**
vii	Harold Banning	b. 00-00-1912, Wilcannia, m. 1940, in Ryde, **Joyce Elburn Molloy**
viii	Patricia D Banning	b. 00-00-1916, Wilcannia.

6. **Robert A Banning** b. 1862, Bathurst, m. 1891, in Sunny Corner, **Annie E Stait** .Robert d. 1929, Portland.

Children:

i	Robert Aden Banning	b. 00-00-1892, Sunny Corner, m. 1920, in Portland, **Emily Hosa**
ii	Elizabeth I Banning	b 00-00-1893, Sunny Corner, d. 1896, Sunny Corner.
iii	Ellen S Banning	b. 00-00-1895, Sunny Corner.
iv	Alice E Banning	b. 00-00-1896, Sunny Corner, d. 1896, Sunny Corner.
v	Stella J Banning	b. 00-00-1898, Sunny Corner, m. 1921, in Portland, **Edgar Clarke**
vi	Jean V Banning	b. 00-00-1899, Sunny Corner, d. 1900, Sunny Corner.
vii	Macie A Banning	b. 00-00-1901, Sunny Corner, d. 1903, Sunny Corner.
viii	Martha J Banning	b. 00-00-1903, Sunny Corner.
ix	George S Banning	b. 00-00-1906, Sunny Corner, d. 1907, Sunny Corner.
x	Ivan R Banning	b. 00-00-1910, Portland, m. 1935, in Parramatta, **Edith M Thomas**
xi	Phillip A Banning	b. 00-00-1913, Portland, m. 1938, in Lithgow, **Maud Elma Sherden**
xii	William Banning	d. 1922, Portland.

7. **Martha Jane Banning** b. 1870, Bathurst, m. , in Sydney, **John T Evans**

Children:

i	Trevor Evans	b. 00-00-1889, Woonona.
ii	Idris Evans	b. 00-00-1892, Woonona, m. 1908, in Newcastle, **Margaret McLellan**

Third Generation

8. **Sarah Ann Mary Baker** b. 22-12-1877, Diamond Swamp, m. 1901, in Wellington, **James William Sinnett,** b. 12-09-1873, d. 08-09-1954, N.Z.

Children:

i	George Arthur Sinnett	b. 00-00-1898, Oberon.



BEIRIGER.

The only record of **George Beiriger** is a copy of a very interesting letter he wrote to his daughter in 1866, he was living here at Palmers Oakey and digging.

EXTRACT OF A LETTER WRITTEN BY GEORGE BEIRIGER WHEN HE WAS AT PALMER'S OAKEY, TO HIS DAUGHTER HENRIETTA CAROLINE BEIRIGER, ON THE EVE OF HER TWENTY FIRST YEAR.

Palmer'. Oakey

Sunday 1st July 1866

Dear daughter,

I have this day the first of July received your letter dated the 25th june by which I see that you did not receive your mother's letter in answer to your first letter, and where you complain of us not writing to you, but by the enclosed copy of your mother's letter your will see that your first letter was answered as soon as we received your letter, but as we are over 20 miles from the Sofala Post Office, we can only trust to chance that the letters are properly posted or not. As you will see in the case of your mothers, but as I have got a copy of the same I send that along with mine and hoping that it will find you in good health as it leaves us at present. But as this day the first of July 1866 is your 21st birthday and Justina thinks you twenty years of age and you may not know exactly your own age I inform you that you were born on the first of July 1846 .at Brickfield Hill Sydney in the Baker Shop at present. occupit by Mrs Freidrich Hoffmann and a brother of the Hoffman's of Balmain. but the same place was held by me when I was married to your mother on the 16th March 1844. Your sister Justina was born the following year 1845 on the 6th March and yourself the following year (46) on the first of July .....

Now as your mother is on a visit to some aquantances of hers at Wyagdon about 16 miles on the Sofala side of Bathurst, I have to write to her and enclose your letter to her, so you can expect another letter from her some days after receiving this. I will likewise inform her about her first letter not reaching .....

Dear Henrietta you seem to be greatly troubled about my drinking but I can assure you the devil is often painted blacker than he actually is, and this really is the case with me, for you may believe me, that all, what I drink at present is triffling and it is sometimes for more than a week or two I do not even touch as much as a glass of anything. But for all that, I donot sat, but what I have formally drank perhaps more than whit I ought to have done, but to tell you the truth that on the diggings it is more the company than the actual desire to drink that a good many of us diggers drink more than we would do in town, as you may say, hard work and hard drinking is the only enjoyment up here in the bush.

Now dear Henrietta you may wish to know wether your mother likes to live up here or not, I can tell you for her, that she does not nor do I myself but as I am in daily expectation of getting my money out from home, it is not wise to shift from here till then, and which I expect by every mail for the last 3 or 4 months.....

I am still digging but I do not get a great deal now. I have no more to say. for the present except my best love and respect from

Your affectionate Father

George Beiringer.

Spelling and punctuation is as in the letter.

George Beiriger married Eleanor Laity 16-3-1844 at Scots Church (Pitt St) Sydney
Justina E born 6-3-1845 Her surname registered as Berriger
Henrietta Caroline born 1-7-1846 Her surname registered as Beirger

In 1869 Henrietta C Berringer married William Arnold in Sydney
Their children are; Ellen, 1869, Sydney, William G, 1872, Sydney, James, 1874, Tweed River,
Abraham, 1876, Tweed River, George, 1878, Tweed River, Mary, 1880, Tweed River, Susan, 1882, Tweed River ,
John, 1884, Tweed River , Arthur, 1886, Tweed River

BENNETT

The first Bennett to come to Australia of the line of Bennetts that found their way into Palmers Oakey was Charles Bennett.

Charles was the son of Samuel and Mary Bennett and was Baptised on the 4th August 1802 at St Phillips Bristol England.

In his late teens Charles was charged with larceny and at the Wiltshire Assizes he was sentenced to 7 years transportation.

He was 5 feet 3 ¼ ins tall, pock marked, brown hair, hazel eyes and his occupation was "cowboy" from Somersetshire.

Charles arrived in Australia aboard the "*Mary*" on the 23 January 1822.

Five years later on the 27 June 1827 he was granted a Ticket of Leave number 27/384.

He received his Certificate of Freedom on the 18 July 1828.

Two years later on the 13 September 1830 at "St Peters" Campbelltown he married Margaret Gannon.

Margaret had arrived in Australia earlier that year on the 13 January on the "Asia".

She had been transported for 7 years for robbing her employer (she also had 2 former convictions) at County Meath Ireland, she was 5 feet 1 ¼ inches tall, with a ruddy and freckled complexion.

They lived in the Wollongong , Moss Vale, Dapto area and had four children;

John, Ann, James and **William.**

Charles died on the 23 October 1839. (at Dapto , Dairyman).`

We now move to the 4th child **William** born 3 April 1837 at Wollongong .
In 1862 at Berrima Roman Catholic Church **William** married **Charlotte Madaline Paton** who was born 1842 at Parramatta.
They had 13 children in all, but after the sixth they moved from Moss Vale to Dark Corner in c1875.
William died aged 60 (his headstone says 56) on the 22 August 1897 and **Charlotte** lived for another 30 years, she died aged 84 on the 12 Feburary 1927 at Dark Corner. They are both buried in the Dark Corner Cemetery.

Their children married into several families in the area, Isabella married Patrick Dunn son of Martin Dunn & Margaret Shumack. Charlotte married Charles Edwards. Helen married Jack McLeay. Ida married John Tobin. Amelia married Tom Fitzgerald, and Edward married Ada Knight and had 7 children and it was the fifth child of this marriage **Edward (Ned)** born 3 October 1911 that found his way into Palmers Oakey.

Ned married a local girl **Ruby Hyde** at Portland Catholic Church on the 5-12-1935,(**See Hyde Tree**) they lived on Portion 22 in a house Ned built with material from the Palmers Oakey Union Church that he bought in 1937 for £12-00-00. They had two boys Terry born 2 July 1938 and Jim born 26 December 1940.
Ned worked on several properties , ran sheep and cattle and had the mail run from Sofala to Palmers Oakey for years and was known and respected by every man, woman and child for miles around.

By the late 1960s Ned and Ruby had settled into their home in Capertee where Ned passed away while having his breakfast on the 24 May 1981.

The following from The History of Palmers Oakey

15-06-1935 Public meeting was held re Recreation Reserve No.33-619. When 3 new trustees were elected. **E J Bennett,** D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson, Ewen Ferguson resigned as sec/tres. and D L Ferguson was elected in place of R McKinnon. W Theobald removed and D McKinnon deceased.

19-06-1937 Palmers Oakey Union Church sold to **Ned Bennett** for £12-0-0.

02-07-1938 **Terry Bennett** born at Portland, D Ferguson took Ned Bennett and Hydes to the hospital to see Rube & Terry, It took hours to get home through snow at Sunny Corner.

29-07-1939 Recreation Trustees meeting held at the Recreation Ground, Present, E Ferguson, **E J Bennett**, D L Ferguson. Business in hand to discuss the erection of a tennis court. It was decided to call a public meeting to discuss same.

07-09-1940 Recreation Trustees meeting at Rec. Ground. Present **E J Bennett,** C D Munro, D T Forguson, D L Ferguson. Moved **E J Bennett** seconded D Ferguson, the grass rights were granted to D T Ferguson for 12 months, destruction of briars and sinking of dam in a position approved by trustees being payment.

06-09-1941 Recreation trustees meeting held at Rec Ground Present **E J Bennett,** C D Munro, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. Sinking of a dam and killing briars was considered sufficient rent by D T Ferguson . C D Munro was granted the grass rights for 12 months for 10/- and killing briars.

05-09-1942 Rec trustees meeting held at Rec Ground. Present, **E J Bennett,** C D Munro, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. It was agreed C D Munro, had fulfilled his obligation. Grass rights were granted to D L Ferguson for £1 -0-0

24-02-1945 to the 11-03-1945 Clive Munro and **Ned Bennett** put up fence for D Ferguson , Martins front paddock joining road about 25 chains (500m). Clive was paid £12 and Ned £9 ie £1 per day.

25-07-1945 D L Ferguson made application for a subsidised school at Palmers Oakey, change of mind by **Mrs E J Bennett** about sending her children stopped school going ahead.

PALMERS OAKEY CRICKET CLUB MEMBERS 1945

E J Bennett 5-0

31-08-1948 Rec Trustees meeting at Rec Ground, all five trustees present. Grass rights were granted to D L Ferguson for 15/-. The matter of the removal of two pine trees from the cricket ground was also discussed and a motion was carried that one tree be removed and one to remain . It was also decided that after playing of 3 cricket matches the position be reviewed, namely if the remaining tree be removed or not. The trustees in favour of removing one tree and leaving one were, S Wilkinson, C Munro, D L Ferguson. Those in favour of removing both trees were D T Ferguson and **E J Bennett.**

29-08-1948 Rec Trustees meeting held. Present C D Munro, **E J Bennett,** D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. Grass rights were granted to D L Ferguson and he was requested to clean out the dam and burn timber as well as rent of 15/-.

29--08--1948 Public meeting held at Rec ground to form a new tennis club. Moved D T Ferguson seconded E E Smith that D L Ferguson be secretary. Moved E E Smith seconded A B Thompson D T Ferguson be dep. sec.. Arranged that S McKinnon carry on collecting for tennis balls @ 1/- per month. Moved **E J Bennett** that secretary be informed by players if they will be able to play matches a week prior to such matches.

PALMERS OAKEY TENNIS CLUB MEMBERS.

Mrs D T Ferguson, Miss K Ferguson, Mrs D L Ferguson, Mrs W J Bennett, **Mrs E J Bennett,** Mrs S Wilkinson Mrs C D Munro, Mrs E E Smith, Miss R Ferguson, S Wilkinson, E E Smith, D L Ferguson, C D Munro A B Thompson, **E J Bennett**, F H Theobald, W J Bennett, S McKinnon, D T Ferguson, L Grabham J Farmer, C Theobald

01-08-1950 The road down the Gulf to Sofala washed out, so D L Ferguson took **Ned Bennett** (mailman Sofala -- P 0) to Sofala via Mt Horrible to get the mail.

12-07-1951 Special recreation trustees meeting held at night at Martins Cottage . Present D T Ferguson, **E J Bennett**, S Wilkinson, D L Ferguson, the meeting was held to discuss the spending of the amount of £25-0-0 granted by the Minister of Lands to be spent on repairs and improvements to the recreation reserve. It was decided to erect a new lavatory if cost not too high, limit £18-0-0. D L Ferguson to interview C Munro on the matter, also decided if funds sufficient to put new doors on the shelter shed. Matter to be reviewed later.

25-01-1952 **Ned Bennett** and Eric Maloney were riding up the road near the Capertee turnoff when they saw a man camped under the willows at "Jacobs", he was wearing very old and dirty clothes, his appearance was unkempt and he was eating what appeared to be a raw beef bone. Police were called and a search was made but as it was late and darkness fell he was not found till the next day.

19-03-1953 Recreation trustees meeting . **Present E J Bennett**, S Wilkinson, C Munro, D L Ferguson. It was decided to commence work on the weather shed on the 29-03-1953 , lavatory already being erected.

18-06-1953 Rec trustees meeting held at D L Fergusons. Present **E J Bennett**, C Munro, S Wilkinson, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. The business discussed being spending a grant of £25-0-0 received from the Minister of Lands on 8-4-53. Moved C Munro seconded S Wilkinson that a chimney be erected in the weather shed, balance of money to be spent on the completion of the weather shed and the construction of a table also. A statement of cost of bricks and labour to be found out. Inside measurements of chimney to be , depth 2', width 3' to arch, total height 8'.

01-04-1954 Rec. Trustees meeting Present C Munro, S Wilkinson, **E J Bennett,** D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. Sec. presented letter from Minister of Lands re grass rights, matter to be discussed at annual meeting.

29-05-1954 Election day, D Ferguson & **E J Bennett** Poll clerks

03-06-1954 A special bush fire brigade meeting held at D L Fergusons to accept the resignation of A B Thompson as Sec Tres. Peter Manning was elected in his place. **E J Bennett** vice Captain. Present D Ferguson, A B Thompson, D F Thompson, C Munro, **E J Bennett,** F Theobald, J Theobald, P Manning. Cr Bal. £10-12-7

16-09-1954 Annual bush fire brigade meeting at D Fergusons at 7-30 PM. C Shumack chairman, D L Ferguson Capt, **E J Bennett** Vice Captain, P Manning Sec-Treas., Lieutenants W Shumack, C Munro, S Wilkinson, P Manning, E Maloney. D L Ferguson & P Manning to go to Shire meetings. Levy of 10/- per 1000 sheep.

30-09-1954 Annual Rec. trustees meeting held at D L Fergusons at 8 PM Thursday. Moved C Munro seconded **E J Bennett** that the grass rights be let to D L Ferguson for 3 years @ 15/- per year , the reason being that he was the only resident prepared to rent same. Moved S Wilkinson seconded D L Ferguson that a wing be constructed on to the lavatory, three sheets of iron being provided by S Wilkinson , to be constructed by voluntary labour. Present C Munro, **E J Bennett**, S Wilkinson, D L Ferguson. W T Ferguson to act as auditor. Report. During the year to 30-9-1954 two meetings were held, weather shed was completed, table, gal iron shutter, and door on front of shed. Work voluntary.

15-09-1955 Bush fire brigade meeting at D L Fergusons. Moved office bearers be the same as last year. Equipment on hand. 1 Power spray, 2 knapsacks, 2 x 44 gal drums, Present W Shumack, **E J Bennett**, F Theobald, J Theobald, T Ferguson, D Ferguson, S Wilkinson, C Munro, P Manning.

04-12-1956 Fire brigade pump demonstration at "Nebo" crossing. Present W Shumack, **E J Bennett**, D Ferguson, T Ferguson, C Ferguson, S Wilkinson, B Hurst, C Munro, D Thompson, P Manning.

00-10-1957 Palmers Oakey bush fire brigade meeting . Present D Ferguson, C Shumack. W Shumack. C Munro. **E Bennett.** D Thompson. P Manning. Office bearers same as last year. It was agreed to pay John Martin £10-0-0 for dozing road to fire at Dark Corner. Moved brigade look at two way radios. Levy £1-0-0 per 1000 sheep.

00-00-1958 Bush fire brigade meeting held at D Fergusons, present were E Maloney. S Wilkinson. W Shumack. **E Bennett.** D Ferguson. C Munro. P Manning. C Shumack. D Thompson. Moved there be no levy this year. The following office bearers were elected. Chairman C Shumack. Sec/Treas. D Thompson. Captain W Shumack. Dep Captains **E Bennett** and C Munro. Lieutenants E Maloney. S Wilkinson. D Thompson.

03-03-1959 A Palmers Oakey Progress Association was formed. Members paid a five shilling membership. The members W K Shumack (chairman), D L Ferguson (Sec/Treas), B Thompson, C Ferguson, D Thompson, E Maloney, C Shumack, **E J Bennett,** J T Theobald, C D Munro, R McKinnon, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, Mrs W K Shumack, A Wilkinson, Mrs C D Munro, Mrs D L Ferguson,

07-07-1959 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club reformed at a meeting held at "Oaks", and it was discussed if the court was to have lights. Moved D Ferguson seconded B Thompson that W K Shumack be Chairman. Moved D Ferguson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that C D Munro be Vice Chairman. Moved B Thompson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that C Ferguson be Secretary. Moved B Thompson seconded C D Munro that D Ferguson be Treasurer. Moved B Thompson seconded S Knight that membership fees be Ladies 10/- and Gents £1-0-0. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that Committee go ahead and light the court and arrange means of financing same. Moved B Thompson seconded J Theobald that a fat lamb be raffled tickets to be 1/- each. Moved B Thompson seconded J Ryndus that treasurer purchase 10 x 100 raffle books. Moved D Thompson seconded **E J Bennett** that Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Treasurer form sub-committee for raffle. Moved S Wilkinson seconded J Theobald sub-committee investigate cost of lighting and arrange for next meeting.

15-12-1959 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" starting at 9-10 PM. Present were W K Shumack (chairman),

Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson, S Knight, C Munro, **E J Bennett,** R McKinnon, J.Theobald, C Ferguson (sec). Apologies B Thompson, J Ryndus, Mrs W Shumack. Sec read the minutes of previous meeting Moved C Munro seconded **E Bennett** they be passed. The raffle for the fat lamb was drawn by Mrs S Wilkinson and the winning ticket (yellow 34) was held by David Thompson Coolamigal. Nett Profit was £23-6-10. Moved S Wilkinson seconded C Munro that the extra money required be raised by debentures. Moved S Knight seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that Secretary see Terry Banfield (electrician)re cost of lights.
Moved W Shumack seconded J Theobald that Mrs S Wilkinson be temp treas in D Fergusons absence. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that a bank A/c be opened at the Commonwealth Bank in Bathurst. Moved S Knight seconded **E Bennett** that Mrs S Wilkinson , W Shumack, and C Ferguson to operate bank account. Moved S Knight seconded A Wilkinson that treasurer purchase a tea pot for use at the court. Moved A Wilkinson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that a vote of thanks be extended to D Ferguson for the donation of fat lamb for raffle. Moved C Munro seconded S Knight that if total cost of installation of lights not be in excess of £45-0-0 of the balance on hand sub committee go ahead. Should the amount be greater call a meeting . Moved S Wilkinson seconded **E Bennett** that sub committee set date of next meeting

26-01-1960 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" 8-45 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, J Theobald, C Ferguson sec. Apologies C Munro, **E Bennett.** Sec read minutes of last meeting , Mrs S Wilkinson moved and seconded J Theobald they be passed. No correspondence. Accounts Western Times 5/6. Moved S Wilkinson seconded J Theobald that Sec pay ac. at Times. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded J Theobald sec contact Banfield, Wilson re costs of lighting court and cost of power point and light in shed.

28-09-1960 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present W Shumack chairman, D Ferguson, C Ferguson, C Munro, C Shumack, **E Bennett**, B Thompson, D Thompson, J Theobald. Office bearers as last year. Levy 5/- per 1000 sheep.

02-03-1961 Annual Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" at 8-54 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, **E Bennett**, J Theobald, S Knight, C Munro, D Ferguson, C Ferguson, No apologies. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded C Munro that minutes be passed. Office Bearers. Moved D Ferguson seconded S Knight that W Shumack be chairman. Moved **E Bennett** seconded S Knight that C Ferguson be Secretary. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that D Ferguson be treasurer. Accounts £2-7-6 for teapot. Cr Bal £42-5-7. Moved D Ferguson seconded J Theobald that an A/c for P 0 Tennis Club be opened at Commonwealth Savings Bank. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded E Bennett that Chairman Treasurer and Secretary operate the A/c. Sec read a quote from T Banfield for lighting court. Cost £125-0-0 plus running expenses. A discussion was held re lighting court and a count of intending players was approx 15. Moved S Knight seconded D Ferguson that S Knight inquire cost of tape to mark court. Moved S Knight seconded D Ferguson that membership fee be retrospective to 1-7-60. Moved C Ferguson seconded S Knight that a working bee to be held as soon as possible and tennis start following Sunday. Moved S Knight seconded J Theobald working bee to be held 5-3-61 at 2 PM. Moved S Knight seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that club supply tea and members bring own refreshments. Moved S Knight seconded C Munro Ex. call next meeting. Meeting closed 10.15 PM.

29-06-1961 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" 8.40 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, Mrs S Wilkinson. S Knight, D Ferguson, J Theobald, C Munro, C Ferguson. Apology from **E Bennett.**

12-10-1961 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Meeting held at "Oaks" 10-10 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, B Thompson, D Thompson, C Shumack, C Munro, J Theobald, D Ferguson, C Ferguson. Apologies **E Bennett**

27-09-1962 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" . 9.30 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, C Munro, B Thompson, **E J Bennett,** J Theobald, L Constable, S Wilkinson, D Ferguson, C Ferguson. No Apologies. Moved D Ferguson seconded **E Bennett** minutes be accepted. No correspondence. S Wilkinson reported that Mr McCann was unable to do the lighting of the court .

05-10-1962 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks", present W Shumack chairman, C Shumack, E Maloney, D Ferguson, C Ferguson, J Theobald, **E Bennett**, C Munro, A B Thompson, D Thompson. Office bearers as last year.

05-10-1963 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present W Shumack chairman, C Shumack, E Maloney, D Ferguson, **E Bennett**, C Munro, A B Thompson, D Thompson, C Ferguson. Office bearers as last year.

04-03-1964 Bush Fire Brigade meeting. Present W Shumack, C Munro, D Ferguson, **E Bennett,** J Theobald, C Ferguson. Business to elect delegates to Shire meeting and order equipment.

11-10-1964 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present D Ferguson, C Shumack, W Shumack, **E Bennett,** E Maloney, C Munro, A B Thompson, D F Thompson, S Wilkinson, C Ferguson. Office bearers same as last year and levy 5/- per 1000 sheep.

06-03-1965 Bush fire on Cattle Run range, **Ned Bennett** burnt a blackberry bush and a wirly wind took burning canes up into the scrub starting the bush fire . It burnt till the evening of the 8th when a storm of about half an inch of rain put it out.

15-07-1965 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present J Elbourn, W Shumack, A Henderson, D Ferguson, **E Bennett,** C Ferguson S Wilkinson, C Munro, B Thompson, D Thompson. It was agreed to order more 2 way radios.

17-10-1965 Heavy rain. Killed shorn sheep , **Ned Bennett** lost 46.

19-10-1965 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks" Present, D Ferguson, **E Bennett**, W Shumack, C Munro, E Maloney, C Ferguson. Election of office bearers, President A B Thompson. Sec/Treas D F Thompson, Vice President C Shumack, Captain W Shumack, Dept Captains **E Bennett**,C Munro. Leiuts, E Maloney, C Ferguson. Levy 30/- per 1000 sheep.

04-07-1966 **Ned Bennett** collecting census.

01 -12-1966 Bush Fire Brigade meeting. Present S Wilkinson, C Munro, C Ferguson, W Shumack, D Thompson, B Thompson, C Shumack. Office bearers Pres. B Thompson, Captain W Shumack. Vice Pres C Shumack, Dept Capts. **E Bennett,** C Munro, E Maloney, C Ferguson, Sec/Treas B Thompson. Levy $6-00 per 1000 sheep. Brigade to run raffle for Land Rover

06-02-1967 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at W Shumacks. Present E Maloney, C Munro, C Ferguson, W Shumack, B Thompson, Election of Dept Capts, **E Bennett,** C Ferguson, E Maloney, C Munro.

BENNETT

1. **Samuel Bennett** m. **Mary.**

Children:

2. i Charles Bennett.

Second Generation

2. **Charles Bennett** 04-08-1802, Bristol, England, Dairyman, m. 13-09-1830, in St Peters Campbelltown, **Margaret Gannon.** Charles died 23-10-1839, Dapto, buried: Dapto C of E. Convict, arrived on the "*Mary"(*2) 23-02-1822. 7 years for larceny at Wiltshire Assizes. He was 5 feet 3 ¼ ins tall, pock marked, brown hair, hazel eyes, occupation "cowboy" from Somersetshire. Ticket of leave 27/384 on 27-07-1827. Cert. of freedom 18-07-1828

Margaret: Convict, arrived on the "*Asia*" 13-02-1830. 7 years (2 former convictions) for robbing her employer. From County Meath, Ireland, 5 feet 1 ¼ ins tall, ruddy &• freckled complexion.

Children:

	i	JohnBennett	b. 09-11-1832.	
	ii	Ann Bennett	b. 00-00-1834,	m. 1851, **William Crisp.**
3.	iii	James Bennett	b. 10-04-1836.	
4.	iv	William Bennett	b. 03-04-1837.	

Third Generation

3. **James Bennett** b. 10-04-1836 m. 1859, in Berrima, **Elizabeth Foley**.

Children.

	i	Margaret Bennett	b. 00-00-1861, Wollongong.
	ii	Charles J Bennett	b. 00-00-1863, Berrima.
	iii	Mary A Bennett	b. 00-00-1865, Berrima.
	iv	Elizabeth Bennett	b. 00-00-1868, Berrima.

4. **William Bennett** b. 03-04-1837, Wollongong, m. 1862, in Berrima R.C., **Charlotte Madaline Paton**, b.1842, Parramatta, (daughter of John William Paton) d. 12-02-1927, Dark Corner. William died 22-08-1897, Dark Corner.

Children:

	i	William Charles Bennett	b. 00-00-1863, Throsby Park Bong Bong, d. 08-04-1941.	
	ii	James Bennett	b. 00-00-1865.	
5.	iii	Isabella Mary (Bella) Bennett	b. 00-00-1867.	
6.	iv	Charlotte Victoria Bennett	b. 03-03-1869.	
	v	George Bennett	b. 00-00-1873.	
7.	vi	John Thomas Bennett	b. 10-02-1873.	
	vii	Margaret Bennett	b. 00-00-1877,	d. 1890, Dark Corner. Unmarried
8.	viii	Edward James (Ted) Bennett	b. 04-04-1879.	
9.	ix	Sidney Percy (Sam) Bennett	b. 06-03-1881.	
10.	x	Ellen E (Nell) Bennett	b. 00-00-1883.	
11.	xi	Wilhelmina Bridget (Winnie) Bennett	b. 00-00-1886.	
12.	xii	Amelia Violet (Milly) Bennett	b. 00-00-1888.	
13.	xiii	Ida Ethel (Doll) Bennett	b. 00-00-1892.	

Fourth Generation

5. **Isabella Mary (Bella) Bennett** b. 1867, m. 1886, **William Dunn,** (son of Martin Dunn and Margaret Shumack)

Children:

	i	Alice Elizabeth Dunn	b. 15-07-1886.

6. **Charlotte Victoria Bennett** b. 03-03-1869, Moss Vale, m. 26-05-1887, in St Michael & John Bathurst, **Charles Edwards**, b. 08-05-1853, O'Connell, d. 03-11-1938, Bathurst. Charlotte died 19-07-1963, Bathurst.

Children:

14.	i	Charles William Edwards	b. 27-05-1888.	
	ii	Eva May Edwards	b. 01-12-1890, Brown's Hill, m. **Gordon Mason**, d. 21-10-1957. Eva died 11-08-1987, Bathurst.	
15.	iii	Victor Charles Edwards	b. 20-02-1893.	
	iv	Hannah Edwards	b. 00-00-1895,	d. 1895.
16.	v	Harold John Edwards	b. 24-04-1897.	
	vi	Charlotte Amelia (Tip) Edwards	b. 29-08-1900, Napoleon Reef, m. 27-07-1940, **Lawrence Charles Wray.**	

7. **John Thomas Bennett** b. 10-02-1873, occupation Farmer, m. **Mary Stoddart.** John died 10-09-1921, Tarana.

Children:

i Charlotte Bennett.
ii Jack Bennett.
iii Allan Bennett.
iv Jessie Bennett.
v Kath Bennett.
vi Margaret Bennett.
vii Molly Bennett.

8. **Edward James (Ted) Bennett** b. 04-04-1879, Dark Corner, occupation Farmer, m. 1902, **Ada Mary Ellen Knight**, b. 1882, Hill End, (daughter of John Knight and Mary A J Hodge) d. 27-05-1962, Dark Corner.

Edward died 11-09-1950, Dark Corner, buried: Dark Corner.

Children:

	i	Dorothy Bennett	b. 00-00-1905, Dark Corner, m. 1927, in Lithgow, **Arthur Wood.**
17.	ii	William J Bennett	b. 00-00-1907.
	iii	Irine M Bennett	b. 00-00-1909, Dark Corner.
18.	iv	James Edward (Ned) Bennett	b. 03-10-1911.
	v	Henry G (Harry) Bennett	b. 00-00-1914, Dark Corner, m. 1939, in Portland, **Ettie Agnes Wade.**
	vi	Edwin Bennett	b. 00-00-1916, Paddington.
19.	vii	Albert Joseph (Bert) Bennett.	

9. **Sidney Percy (Sam) Bennett** b. 06-03-1881, m. 1905, **Kathleen Mary Connerly.** Sidney died 30-09-1944, Cobar.

Children:

i	Kathleen Bennett	b. 00-00-1909.
ii	William Bennett	b. 00-00-1911.
iii	Camillas Bennett	b. 00-00-1917.

10. **Ellen E (Nell) Bennett** b. 1883, m. 1909, in Cobar, **John R McLeay.**

Children:

20.	i	Bruce P McLeay	b. 00-00-1906.
	ii	John S McLeay	b. 00-00-1909, Cobar.
	iii	Douglas Charles (Dud) McLeay	b. 00-00-1912, Cobar, m. 1937, in Portland, **Rita Guihot.**
	iv	Harold Thomas McLeay	b. 00-00-1913, Cobar.

11. **Wilhelmina Bridget (Winnie) Bennett** b. 1886, m. **James Shanahan.** Wilhelmina died 29-09-1973, Bisbane.

Children:

i	Mary Shanahan.	
ii	William Shanahan.	

12. **Amelia Violet (Milly) Bennett** b. 1888, m. **Thomas Fitzgerald**, b. 01-11-1887, d. 12-11-1958. Amelia died 29-12-1965.

Children:

i	Patrick Fitzgerald.		
ii	Daphne Fitzgerald	m.	**Alan Casey,** d. 1987.
iii	Elizabeth (Betty) Fitzgerald.		

13. **Ida Ethel (Doll) Bennett** b. 1892, m. 10-01-1910, in Bathurst, **John Patrick (Boxer Jack) Tobin**, b. 04-12-1886,Limekilns, (son of James Patrick Tobin and Martha Agnes Kearney) d. 28-07-1963, Bathurst, buried: 30-07-1963, Bathurst. Ida died 03-01-1962.

Children:

'21.	i	Ida Lillian Tobin	b. 00-00-1910.		
22.	ii	William J Tobin	b. 00-00-1912.		
23.	iii	Leslie John Tobin	b. 08-08-1914.		
	iv	Mavis I Tobin	b. 00-00-1916, Chatswood, m. 1942, **Athol Alan Grayson**.		
24.	v	Edward Charles Tobin	b. 00-00-1918.		
25.	vi	Ronald Ivan Tobin	b. 00-00-1920.		
	vii	Mervyn Douglas Tobin	m.	(1) **Bessie Crowley,** m.	(2) **Peggy.**
26.	viii	Audrey Ethel Tobin.			

Fifth Generation

14. **Charles William Edwards** b. 27-05-1888, Glanmire, m. **Ruby Paterson,** b. 09-04-1891, d. 15-07-1979. Charles died 26-06-1963, Bathurst.

Children:

27.	i	Marjorie Ruby Edwards	b. 08-09-1916.
28.	ii	Ronald Charles Edwards	b. 13-05-1918.

15. **Victor Charles Edwards** b. 20-02-1893, Brown's Hill, m. 28-03-1917, in St Barnabas Bathurst, **Myra Ellen Howard.**

Children:

i	Gwen Victoria Edwards	b. 11-01-1918, Bathurst, m. 23-12-1939, All Saints Bathurst, **John Brisbane Bedwell**.
ii	Eunice Betty Edwards	b. 11-08-1920, Bathurst, m. 07-10-1946, All Saints Bathurst, **Robert Ashton Taylor.**
iii	Nola May Edwards	b. 14-02-1922, Bathurst, m. 01-03-1946, All Saints Bathurst, **Ronald Keith Wood.**
iv	Victor James (Jim) Edwards	b. 24-02-1925, m. 07-01-1950, Epping, **Jean Sinclair Smith**, b.1925, d: 1983.

16. **Harold John Edwards** b. 24-04-1897, Napoleon Reef, m. 06-09-1917, **Isabella Doris Fitzpatrick,** b. 08-09-1900, d. 10-09-1962. Harold died 12-10-1982, Bathurst.

Children:

29.	i	Vivian John Edwards	b. 11-09-1919.
30.	ii	Patricia Doris Edwards.	

17. **William J Bennett** b. 1907, Dark Corner, m. 1928, in Portland, **Frances E Wade.**

Children:

i	Laurie Bennett.		
ii	Iris Bennett	m**.**	**? Polkinhorn**.

18. **James Edward (Ned) Bennett** b. 03-10-1911, Dark Corner, occupation Farm hand, mailman, farmer, m.1937,in Portland, **Ruby Stella Hyde,** b. 19-01-1917, Redfern, d. 19-05-1997, Portland, buried: 21-05-1997,Capertee.

Ned died 24-05-1981, Capertee, buried: Capertee. **Ruby: See Hyde Tree**

Children.'

31. i TerryBennett b. 02-07-1938.
32. ii Arthur Thomas (Jim) Bennett b. 26-12-1940.

19. **Albert Joseph (Bert) Bennett** occupation Farmer, m. 1939, in Bathurst, **June Kerr.**

Children:

i Bert Bennett.
ii Diane Bennett.
iii Raymond John Bennett.

20. **Bruce P Mc Leay** b. 1906, Nyngan, m. 18-06-1930, in Portland, **Rube Hunter,** b.1908. Bruce died 29-10-1993, Bathurst.

Children:

i Beryl McLeay.
ii Bruce Jr. McLeay.
iii Ronald McLeay.

21. **Ida Lillian Tobin** b. 1910, Bathurst, m.1928, in Bathurst, **Roy Joseph Glazebrook,** b. 1900.

Children:

i Maxwell Roy Glazebrook d. 1936, Bathurst.

22. **William J Tobin** b. 1912, St Marys, m. (1) **Vera Whalan** m. (2) **Quinnie.**

Children by Vera Whalan:

i Kevin Tobin.

23. **Leslie John Tobin** b. 08-08-1914, Parramatta, m. 23-01-1937, **Joan Elizabeth Ahearn.** Leslie died 1999.

Children:

i Leo Patrick Tobin b. 21-08-1937, d. 31-03-1941.
ii Anthony John Tobin b. 12-10-1939, m. **Faye Gaynor O'Connor.** Anthony died 26-12-1980.
iii Barry James Tobin b. 08-11-1941, m. **Patricia Ann Alderson.**
iv Brian Maxwell Tobin b. 14-04-1945, m. **June Rose Kellahan.**
v Ian Leslie Tobin b. 10-11-1946, m. **Valerie Can.**

24. **Edward Charles Tobin** b. 1918, Penrith, m. 1939, in Bathurst, **Alice Ester Jones.**

Children:

i Faye Tobin m. **Malcolm Gherkin**.
ii Jeanette Tobin. Died at birth
iii Maureen Tobin m. **Geoffery Clark.**
iv Edward Tobin m. **Doreen Kellahan.**

25. **Ronald Ivan Tobin** b. 1920, m. (1) 1939, in Bathurst, **EdnaJean Sargent**, m. (2) **Fay Johnson.**

Children by Edna Jean Sargent:

i Wayne Tobin m. **Pam Mooney**.

26. **Audrey Ethel Tobin** m. **Keith Sargent.**

Children:

i Robert Sargent m**.** **Vicki Kable.**
ii John Sargent m. **Ann Whalan.**
iii Michael Sargent m. **Maree Pymie.**
iv Patricia Sargent m. **Alfred Baldock**.
v Kay Sargent m. **Paul Richards**.

Sixth Generation

27. **Marjorie Ruby Edwards** b. 08-09-1916, m. 13-09-1947, **Henry Smith**.

Children.'

i Raymond Henry Smith b. 05-07-1948.
ii Paul Charles Smith b. 28-05-1956.

28. **Ronald Charles Edwards** b. 13-05-1918,m. (1) **Bernice Dunne,** d. 1968, m. (2) 1970, **Grezel Harrison Mathie.**

Children by Bernice Dunne:

i Roslyn Bernice Edwards b. 29-11-1946.
ii Geoffery Ronald Edwards b. 24-04-1950.
iii Judith Muriel Edwards b. 14-05-1953.
iv Harler Paterson Edwards b. 09-11-1957

29. **Vivian John Edwards** b. 11-09-1919, m. 19-09-1941, **Wilma Eagleson**. Vivian died 28-08-1962.

Children:

i David John Edwards b. 11-09-1942.
35. ii Garry Edwards b. 12-09-1946.

30. **Patricia Doris Edwards** m. 11-04-1953, **Wal Ezzy.**

Children.'

i Jennifer Ann Ezzy b. 06-07-1957.
ii John Michael Ezzy b. 16-11-1960.

31. **Terry Bennett** b. 02-07-1938, Portland, m. **Carol Ryan.** Terry died 01-12-2003, Bathurst, buried: 04-12-2003, Bathurst.
Children:
i Jaemie Bennett b. 03-09-1969.

32. **Arthur Thomas (Jim) Bennett** b. 26-12-1940, m. 28-08-1965, at 3.00 PM in Portland Catholic Church by Fr Quinn, **Elizabeth Kay Ford,** b. 29-06-1946.
Children:
36. i Patrick Arthur Bennett b. 28-08-1966.
37. ii Dallas James Bennett b. 14-10-1970.

33. **Raymond John Bennett** m. **Margaret Rose Scott**.
Children:
i Gregory Bennett.
ii Timothy Bennett.
iii Trevor Bennett.

34. **Kevin Tobin** m. **Enid?.**
Children:
i Kristen Tobin.
ii Shevaun Tobin.
iii Mark Tobin.
iv Elizabeth Tobin.

Seventh Generation

35. **Garry Edwards** b. 12-09-1946, m. **Barbara Zoric**.
Children:
i David Edwards b. 19-07-1983.
36. **Patrick Arthur Bennett** b. 28-08-1966, Lithgow m. 26-01-1994, Lithgow Uniting Ch **Narelle Gai Toyer,** b. 23-04-1972.
Children:
i Emily Grace Bennett b. 16-11-1998, Camperdown.
ii Lucy Elizabeth Bennett b. 23-03-2004, Bathurst.

37. **Dallas James Bennett** b. 14-10-1970, Lithgow , m. 15-02-1997, at "Bungaree" Capertee, **Susan Donna Dixon**, b. 16-02-1967,
Children:
i Hayley Elizabeth Bennett b. 24-11-2000, Bathurst.
ii Ryan James Bennett b. 11-01-2003, Bathurst.



Ned & Ruby Bennett

BOWER.

The first record I have of Bower is in 1872 and they remained in the area till the 1930's. The old home site (portion 33) is still known as Bowers, the old bridge near the cross roads is known as Bowers (they had a shop nearby) also 2 blocks of land at the bottom of the valley carry the name.

The family was afflicted with poor teeth, most of them lost all their teeth by their early 20's. One descendant when I told him (2006) he then showed his gums to reveal, just gums .

Some people referred to them as Maoris and Emilys parents were listed as "natives of India", they were dark skinned but did not show the Maori facial features .

At the age of 78 **George Bower** must have found life too hard and ended his with poison. When he was found he was sitting in a easy chair and rigor mortis had set in , and when Charlie Ferguson and an offsider tried to get him into a coffin he would not bend, so they wrapped a chain around the coffin and wound the lid down with a crowbar, much to Georges complaining.

He was then buried at the Palmers Oakey Cemetery.

Sam lived with the Fergusons and worked for them for many years.

Some of the family moved to the Wattle Flat area, and the last I know of was Arthur who lived at Wyagdon.

The following from The History of Palmers Oakey

Greville's Post Office Directory PALMER'S OAKEY

1872	Bowers	George	farmer	Palmer's Oakey

Greville's Post Office Directory PALMER'S OAKEY

1875-76	Bowers	George	farmer,	Palmers Oakey

08-10-1881 At a special common meeting held to elect two trustees in the room of Mr J Dunkel and R Belperaud resigned the following gentlemen were duly elected; Mr M McDonnell proposed by J Dunkel seconded by **Mr G Bower** carried. Mr Daniel Hopkins Proposed by A McIntyre seconded by R Belperraud. carried. R Belperraud chairman. J Dunkel Sec.

20-05-1882 Special common meeting to elect two trustees to common as W Phillips and **G Bower** resigned. Elected were David Deware Munro and John McCarthy.

23-04-1898 Common trustees meeting it was decided to pay into the Treasury the sum of ten pounds for the resurvey of the eastern boundary of the Palmers Oakey Common. Common right was granted to **George Bowers** of Palmers Oakey. J Dunkel chairman and sec.

04-08-1900 A trustees meeting at D Munros to make new rules and regulations. Mr McDonnell in the chair. It was put to the vote to reduce the stock for each commoner from 25 to 20 head each. carried by 3 votes to 1 Mr McDonnell being against it. Proposed by D McKinnon to have 4 s goats and 1 he goat each commoner Seconded **G Bowers** Carried. and to alter the Penaltes of the different clauses which was done and the meeting closed. M McDonnell chairman.

00-07-1901 D Ferguson paid **Jack Bowers** cartage & blacksmithing 2-00-00

00-08-1901 D Ferguson paid **Jack Bowers** for goods 15-00-00

03-04-1901 Common Roll **George, John, David, A J & Alex Bower**

1903	Electroal Roll	Bowers	George	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
			John	M	Palmers Oakey	

11-02-1905 A trustees was held on this date and it was resolved to give **A Bowers, Albert Bowers, and David Bowers** common rights on this common. D Munro chairman.

1905 Common Roll **David J Bower, A J Bower, Mex Bower, John Bower, David J Bower,** Upper Turon

1906	Electoral Roll	Bowers	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer

26-10-1907 A special meeting of trustees was held on this date to consider if the trustees were agreeable to let **A P Bower** to have a Permissive Lease of 1 acre of this common and all the trustees present objected to any more of these leases being granted. Henry Theobald in the chair.

1908	Common Roll	John Bower	Carrier and storekeeper			
		David J Bower	Labourer			
		A J Bower	Labourer			
1908	Electoral Roll	Bower	Albert Joseph	M	Palmers Oakey	Bee farmer
		Bower	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer

15-03-1909 A trustees meeting was held on the above date for the purpose of considering and dealing with a communation from District Surveyor Orange re **J G Bowers** application for Special Lease within common.

08-01-1910 A common meeting held on above date. D Munro in the chair. Business to elect 5 trustees for the ensuing 3 years and to show balance sheet for 1909. The following gentlemen ware duly elected. **Mr J T Bower,** P Munro, C Ferguson, D McKinnon, R McKinnon. The balance sheet adopted on the motion of D Munro, sec by R McKinnon. Meeting closed E Wolfenden sec.

11-12-1910 A public meeting was held on this date to elect Trustees for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected :- **John Thomas Bowers**, Robert McKinnon, Aiden Shumack, Peter Munro, Duncan McKinnon. At the same meeting the balance sheet was revised and passed Duncan McKinnon chairman.

1910 Bathurst Land Board.

CL 09/94	150 acres J T Bower	Improvements £2-15-00 Rent 2 ½ d	
CL 09/116	100 acres J T Bower		
1910	Reg letters from Upper Turon	Albert J Bower, J T Bower, A A Bower	
1911	Reg letter from Sunny Corner	J Bower	

1911 Common Roll **J T Bower** The following were on the register but were crossed off **Amelia Bower A J Bower**

27-04-1912 Charles Ferguson wrote to the Postal Department stating that he could no longer conduct the Post Office and that he had handed all the Post Office goods to **J L Bower** and that **Mr Bower** would conduct the Post Office and requested that **Mr Bower** be paid from the time he, Ferguson took over the Post Office. A Postal Inspector's report stated that **Bower** was a storekeeper at Palmers Oakey and he held a mail cartage contract, he lived ¼ mile from the then Post Office

22-04-1912 **John T Bower** post master at Palmers Oakey in place of Mrs Wolfenden.

16-01-1913 Ethel May Munro post mistress at Palmers Oakey in place of **John T Bower.**

21-06-1913 A trustees meeting was held on this date and the secretary was instructed to pay **J Bower** for the repairing of gate, no other business was done. A Shumack in chair

A public meeting was held on this date to elect a trustee in lieu of R McKinnon resigned. Charles P Ferguson was proposed by A Shumack seconded by **J T Bower** carried unamously. A Shumack chairman. at the same meeting the common roll was revised . A Shumack chairman.

1913 Common paid **J Bower** £1 for mending gate

28-03-1914 A trustees meeting was held on this date to raise the common fees as the revenue was not enough to cover the expenses , all the trustees were present. It was proposed by A Shumack that the fee should be 5/- per year and it was seconded by **J T Bowers** and carried and the meeting closed. D D Munro chairman.

05-10-1914 Registered letter No 113 from Mr D McKinnon to **Mrs G Bower** Wyagdon Posted 06-10-14

1915 Common paid J T Bower £1 for poisoning rabbits

1916 Common paid J T Bower 10/- for poisoning rabbits

1917 D Ferguson tax return. Particulars of Salaries and Wages

Name	Capacity	Residence	Pounds
Samuel Bower	Rousabout	Palmers Oakey	70-00
J T Bower	Chaffcutting	Palmers Oakey	7-00

02-03-1918 A trustees meeting was held on above date, for the purpose of arranging means to poison rabbits on the common. Proposed by C P Ferguson seconded by D Ferguson, that **J T Bower** be asked for the loan of his poison cart for a day. Carried. Proposed by C W Ferguson & seconded by R Ferguson that secretary should send to town for the requisite materials needed. Carried. Minutes of last meeting read & passed. It was also proposed by D Ferguson & seconded by R Ferguson that C P Ferguson should burn heaps of briars & fill in one hole that was dangerous to animals on common, & to send his bill in when done. Carried C P Ferguson Chairman

1918 Common paid J T Bower £1 -0-0 for Poison cart

1919	Common Roll	J T Bower	crossed off 1918			
1919	Electroal Roll	Bower	Samuel	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
		Bower	John Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer

10-04-1920 A trustees meeting was held on above date to decide which tender was to be accepted to clear briars on part mentioned in tender. **J T Bowers** tender for three pounds five shillings (£3-5-0) was accepted. Time given to 1 June to do same. D Ferguson chairman.

22-05-1920 A trustees meeting was held at above date when bill for removing 100 acres of briars was passed for payment, **J T Bowers** having sold his contract to **S T Bowers** & D T Ferguson , Passed for payment. D Ferguson, chairman.

1921	Electoral Roll	Bower	Samuel	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
		Bower	John Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer
1928	Electoral Roll	BOWER	Samuel	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer

27-03-1930 D Ferguson sold trotting mare to **S T Bower** for £10-0-0

FROM COMMON RECORDS

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1881	George Bower	4	1
1882	George Bower	5	
1901	George Bower	1	
1902	George Bower	2	
1902	John T Bower	5	
1903	George Bower	3	
1904	George Bower	4	
1904	John T Bower	6	
1905	G Bower	1	
1905	J T Bower	6	
1905	A J Bower	1	
1906	John T Bower	6	
1907	John T Bower	6	
	Albert Bower	1	
1908	John T Bower	7	
	Albert Bower	1	
1909	J Bower	13	
1910	J Bower	1	
1912	J Bower	3	
1913	J T Bower	5	
1914	J T Bower	5	
1915	J T Bower	5	1

1 **George Bower** b. 1827, Colton Norkfolk UK, m. 05-09-1870, in C of E Church Sofala, **Emily Walker,** Parents "natives of India" Father William Walker d. 1927, Bathurst. George died 02-03-1905, buried: Palmers Oakey. George Arrived Aust. 22-04-1856 per "*Maitland*" Father John, Mother Maria Emily

Children:

	i	George W Bower	b. 00-00-1872, Sofala, m. 1903, in Wellington, **Jemima Phoebe**, Mother Loveday Jane ; d.1944, Lithgow. George died 1944, Lithgow.
	ii	John Thomas Bower	b. 00-00-1873, Sofala, d. 1933, Wellington. Storekeeper, carrier, postmaster at P O
	iii	Jacob Arthur Bower	b. 00-00-1874, d. 1875, Sofala.
2.	iv	Albert Joseph Bower	b. 00-00-1876.
	v	Samuel Richard Bower	b. 00-00-1880, Sofala, d. 1881, Sofala.
3.	vi	Henry Jacob Bower	b. 00-00-1881.
	vii	Arthur E Bower	b. 00-00-1883, East Macquarie.
4.	viii	Alexander Walter Bower	b. 00-00-1884.
	ix	Emily Bower	b. 00-00-1884, East Macquarie, m. **?? Griffin.** Emily died 1927, Bathurst.
	x	David C Bower	b. 00-00-1885, East Macquarie, d. 1885, East Macquarie.
	xi	David J Bower	b. 00-00-1886, East Macquarie.
	xii	Maria J Bower	b. 00-00-1887, m. 1907, in Marrickville, **George A Marion.**
5.	xiii	Amelia A Bower	b. 00-00-1889.
	xiv	Edward S Bower	b. 00-00-1890, Bathurst, m. 1919, in Bathurst, **Adeline M Maskill.**
6.	xv	Edith M Bower	b. 00-00-1892.
	xvi	Samuel I Bower	b. 00-00-1895, Wattle Flat.

Second Generation

2. **Albert Joseph Bower** b. 1876, Sofala, m. 1910, in Bathurst, **Ethel E Gunning,** d. 1943, Bathurst. Albert buried: Bathurst.

Children:

	i	Elsie C Bower	b. 00-00-1912, Bathurst, m. 1929, in Bathurst, **John W Falstead.**
7.	ii	William H Bower	b. 00-00-1915.
	iii	Hilton R V Bower	b. 00-00-1917, Bathurst, d. 1935, Bathurst.
	iv	Vivian C Bower	b. 03-07-1924.
	v	Jean Bower (adopted).	
	vi	Richard Bower.	
	vii	Bessie Bower.	

3. **Henry Jacob Bower** b. 1881, Sofala, m. 1910, in Bathurst, **Florence A Gunning.** Henry buried: Bathurst.

Children:

	i	Henry G P Bower	b. 00-00-1911, Bathurst, d. 1911, Orange.
	ii	William J Bower	b. 00-00-1912, Orange, m. 1935, in Orange, **Phyllis E Jones.**
	iii	Charles D Bower	b. 00-00-1915, Bathurst, m. **Joyce.**

4. **Alexander Walter Bower** b. 1884, East Macquarie, m. 1911, in Wellington, **Christina M Cameron,** d. 1971. Alex. d 1963,

Children:

	i	Ethel L Bower	b. 00-00-1913, Burwood.
	ii	Ellen K Bower	b. 00-00-1915, Wellington, m. 1935, in Bathurst, **Hamilton G Stains**.
	iii	Mable Thelma Bower	b. 00-00-1917, Bathurst, m. 1944, in Bathurst, **Donald Wilkinson Reid.**
	iv	Wilfred Alexander Bower	b. 00-00-1919, d. 29-12-1987.
	v	Doris Irene Bower	b. 00-00-1922, d. 1924, Bathurst.
	vi	Donald Walter Bower	b. 00-00-1928, m. 1957, **Valerie Margaret Brooks**.

5. **Amelia A Bower** b. 1889, Bathurst, m. 1922, **Abraham V Phobe**.

Children.

	i	May L Bower	b. 00-00-1904, Bathurst, d. 1904, Bathurst.
	ii	Athol A Bower	b. 00-00-1912, Bathurst.
	iii	William Phobe.	
	iv	Lindsay Phobe.	
	v	Roy Phobe.	
	vi	June Phobe.	

6. **Edith M Bower** b. 1892, Bathurst, m. **? Lawless.**

Children:

8.	i	Freda Hazel Joyce Bower	b. 00-00-1913.
	ii	Reginald M Bower	b. 00-00-1916, Bathurst ,m. 1932, in Griffith, **May Patricia Ford.**

Third Generation

7. **William H Bower** b. 1915, Bathurst, m. **Betty Schofield.**

Children:

	i	Jemima Bower.

8. **Freda Hazel Joyce Bower** b. 1913, Bathurst, m. 1943, in Sydney, **John Joseph Hubert Bell**.

Children:

	i	Arthur E Bower	d. 1933, Bathurst.
	ii	Joyce Rosaline Bower	d. 1937, Gosford.

BUCKERFIELD

From the History of Palmers Oakey

ELECTORAL ROLL 1870—71

NAME		AREA
Buckerfield	Francis	Palmers Oakey

PALMERS OAKEY POS T OFFICE 1875/76.

Buckerfield	Frank	miner,

UPPER TURON POST OFFICE 1875/76

Buckerfield	Francis	miner,

Special common meeting held to elect trustees for ensuing 3 years. John Joseph Martin by J Dunkel and E Phillips. Alexander McIntyre by J Martin and M McDonnell. John Thomas Franks by J Martin and George McLeod. William Tacke by **F H Buckerfield** and G Simpson. Michael McDonnell by E O'Farrell and W Simpson. J J Martin was chairman.

12-01-1889 Public meeting held according to advertisement to elect trustees for the Common for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected. Manuel Lewis proposed by Patrick Lynch, seconded by James J Martin. Thomas Lynch proposed by J Dunkel, seconder by Manuel Lewis. John J Martin proposed by James Martin, seconded by J Dunkel. John Thomas Franks proposed by Jeremiah O'Farrell, seconded by John McDonnell. Jacob Dunkel proposed by James Lynch, seconded by **F H Buckerfield.** John Joseph Martin chairman. J Dunkel Sec

09-01-1892 An Advertised Public Meeting held at Jacob Dunkels to elect Trustees for Palmers Oakey Common for ensuing 3 years. 1 J Dunkel, proposed by Thomas Lynch seconded George McLeod. 2 John Alexander McKinnon proposed by David Munro seconded George McLeod. 3 William Lewis proposed by Edward O'Farrell seconded J Dunkel. 4 **Francis Henry Buckerfield** proposed by Henry Theobald seconded William Lewis. 5 Daniel Hopkins proposed by Jerimiah O'Farrell seconded Henry Theobald. J Dunkel chairman of meeting. A meeting was then held to hear the expenditure etc of the common.

31-02-1892 Common Trustees meeting to elect chairman and sec. Moved **F H Buckerfield** seconded William Lewis that Jacob Dunkel be chairman and sec on a salary of £3 per annum.

02-09-1893 An advertised public meeting on Palmers Oakey Creek to elect a trustee in place of Daniel Hopkins resigned. The following gentleman was duly elected. Mr David Munro proposed by Henry Theobald and seconded by **Francis H Buckerfield**. Carried. J Dunkel chairman.

Public meeting hold at J Dunkels to revise common roll, also to elect trustees for the ensuing 3 years. Jacob Dunkel proposed by Francis Hyde seconded David Munro, **Francis Henry Buckerfield** proposed by D Munro seconded by Henry Theobald, David Munro proposed by Thomas Lynch seconded by E H Kearney, James McDonnell proposed by J Dunkel seconded by Peter Theobald, Henry Theobald Jr proposed by **F H Buckerfield** seconded by Michael McDonnell. Common rights granted to Mary Lynch of Upper Turon, Ewen McC. Ferguson, Harry Hayes, Jerime C Harven of Palmers Oakey--- J Dunkel chairman .

COMMON ROLL 1899

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
F H Buckerfield	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner

DIVISION OF MACQUARIE. 1903.

PALMERS OAKEY POLLING-PLACE.

Buckerfield	Francis	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

COMMON ROLL 1905-1906

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
F H Buckerfield		Resident Miner

1906 DIVISION of MACOUARIE

PALMERS OAKEY POLLING PLACE

Buckerfield	Francis	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

NAME		HORSES	CATTLE
1880	Frank H Buckerfield		7
1881	F H Buckerfield		8
1882	F H Buckerfield		6
1883	F Buckerfield		6
1884	F Buckerfield		6
1885	F H Buckerfield		5
1886	F H Buckerfield		5
1887	F H Buckerfield		2
1888	Frank Buckerfield		4
1889	F H Buckerfield		4
1890	F H Buckerfield		4
1891	Frank Buckerfield		4
1892	F H Buckerfield		4
1893	F H Buckerfield		6
1894	F H Buckerfield		7
1895	F H Buckerfield		8
1897	F H Buckerfield		7
1899	F H Buckerfield		5
1900	F H Buckerfield		2
1901	F H Buckerfield		2
1906	F Buckerfield		1

BUSH

George Bush lived near Golden Point on the eastern side of the Palmers Oakey creek and a gully there still is called “Bushes”.
During 1861-6 the following took up gold leases under section 7 of the 1861 Goldfields Act

NAME	SITUATION	EXTENT	No.YEARS
George Bush & 3 others	Golden Pt PO	1 acre	1 to 5

1902. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 17. George Bush, 1
1903. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 44. George Bush, 1
OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1881	George Bush	4	9
1882	George Bush	4	10
1883	George Bush		1
1884	George Bush		2
1887	George Bush		2
1888	George Bush		2
1890	George Bush		2
1893	George Bush		2
1894	George Bush		4
1895	George Bush		2

PALMERS OAKEY CHINAMEN

3-07-1858 Bathurst Free Press reported an invasion of 300 Chinamen had infuriated miners at Palmers Oakey.
(My father said old residents told him, that back in the gold days of a whole boatload of Chinamen that walked in and set up camp near the Police Station. They then broke up into groups of about 10 and went off in all directions looking for gold).

1870. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 12 Ah Lam 1.
1872. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 12. Ah Dun 1.
1873. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 7. Ah Hobb 1
1881 OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE	GOATS
Wy Kied	1		
Ah Koo	3		
Charley Ah Hann	4		

1883. Reg letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 5. Ah Man 2. Ah Tin 1.
1887 OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Sing W Jang	3	
Ah Koo	1	

1888. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 7. Ah Man 1
1888 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Sing W Jang	4	
Ah Koo	1	

1890 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Ah Koo	1	
Sing Wing Jang	2	

1891. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell.7. Ah Lam,
1891 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Sing Wing Jang	4	

1892. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell. 11. Ah Charm, Ah Low.
1892 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Sing Wing Jang	3	

1893. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 8. Ah Low, Ah Charm.
1893 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Sing W Jang	3	

1894. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 10. Chin Choun,
1894 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Sing Wing Jang	3	

1895 COMMON STOCK OWNERS.

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Sing Wing Jang	3	

1896. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell Ah Charm , Ah Bow.
1896 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Young Gun	2	

1897 . Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell Ah Bow, Ah Charm

1897 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE

Young Gun 2

1898 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Young Gun	2	

COMMON ROLL 1899

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Young Gun	"	Resident Gardiner
Ah Co	"	Resident Gardiner

1900 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Young Gunn	1	

1902. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 17. Young Gunn,

1902 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Young Gunn	1	

COMMON ROLL 1903-1904

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Young Gun	Palmers Oakey	Resident Gardiner

1903 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
G Young Gunn	1	

1904 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Young Gunn	1	

COMMON ROLL 1905-1906

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
George Gunn		Storekeeper

1906 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Young Gunn	4	7

1907 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Young Gunn	3	10

1908 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Young Gunn	2	10

06-06-1908 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which there were three trustees present and granted **Ah Wong** a commoners right, as there was no other business to transact the meeting closed. E Wolfenden chairman.

COMMON ROLL 1908

NAME	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Me Wong	Gardener
Emily Wong	

1909 COMMON STOCK OWNERS

NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
Young Gunn	2	12
Mrs Wong	1	
Me Wong		

01-06-1916 **Me Wong** sold his 2 acres held by Miners Right to D Ferguson and **Ellen Ah Chong** sold her 2 acres on the west side of **Me Wongs** to D Ferguson. **Wong** stated he had carried on the business of market gardener on the land.

When the gold rush slowed down some Chinese settled in the valley, they kept looking for gold, grew vegies etc and became well liked citizens.

Some of the names were, Ah Charm, Ah Bar, Ah Wong, (he called himself Me Wong), Ah Lung, Ah Yuck G Gunn, Young Gunn, Ah Bow, Ah Co, Chin Choun, Ah Low, Sing Wing Jang. Ah Gee , Ah Hong , Ah Man Ah Tie , Ah Sun Ah Chum Ah Dun... Ah Hob....Wy Kied.. .Charley Ah Hann Ah Tin

From M J Fergusons Story. *A lot of gold was found around the district, at one time there were over two hundred Chinamen on the place , they had their horse races & used to get some of the young fellows to ride for them as they were not good riders themselves , some would bravely try, Duncan said it was very amusing to watch them holding on for bare life, pigtails flying & chattering all the time*

Bob McKinnon told me he and his brother Les were out shooting when it came on to rain, so they ducked into Charms the Chinaman's hut for shelter, and were offered a cup of tea.

Charm like most of the Chinamen here grew their own tobacco and on the table he kept a bowl of chopped up tobacco leaf, and while he was busy at the fire boiling the billy, Les put a few grains of black gunpowder in the bowl of tobacco . After they had their tea Charm lit his pipe and every now and then there would be a puff of smoke shoot out of the pipe and Charm would stare at it and say "Whafor".

The old man must have woke up to what was going on as he invited the boys to lunch next Sunday saying it was Chinaman's New Year, very important, must come. So the boys turned up next Sunday and were served with a meal of rice and stew which they consumed with relish. After the meal Les complimented Charm on the meal and asked what was in the stew, Charm replied "you eat cat". Les made a dash for the door but he did not did not make it and his share of the cat ended up on the floor while Charm screamed with laughter.

Bob said they also used to wait till Charm went to the store near the crossroads and they would tie together the tussocks on either side of the track up the creek to his hut. Charm would come along then trip over and drop his groceries etc, much to the amusement of the boys involved. Bob said "It was a wonder he did not kill us, but underneath all the noise he made I think he enjoyed it".

When Charm passed away he died in his hut on the creek just below "Warrie" and it was some days before he was found, curled up in bed.
The job of undertakers this time fell to old Charlie Ferguson and his brother Ewen. They made a coffin for him and when they put him in the coffin his legs were stuck up in the air. Charlie said to his brother "I'll hold this end down and you push the buggers legs down". When Ewen tried this Charm was too stiff and would not bend, so Ewen gave a mighty heave , Charm slipped out of Charlies grip , sat up and burped in Ewens face.
This scared Hell out of them as they thought he had came back from the dead. They both said " they would never bury any more bloody Chinamen"

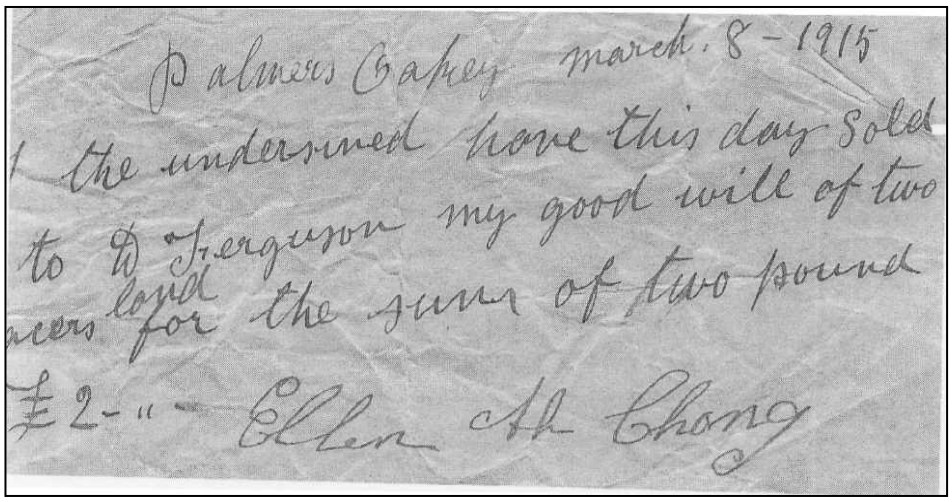
As the local Chinamen died their bodies were usually taken to Sofala . (2 were buried here just outside the local cemetery but later removed. The indentations are still there in the hollow 250 meters east of the cemetery).
When one of these Chinamen died the other Chinamen would dress him in his best clothes, place a gold coin on each eye to keep out evil sprits, put a bag of rice cakes in his hands and wrap him in a new blanket. They would then seek the help of Bill Smith to take the body to Sofala.Though they did not pay Bill much to perform this service he was always there to help out. What the Chinamen did not know was that on the way to Sofala down the Turon, Bill would stop and unwrap the "parcel" replace the gold coins with copper coins He then put the new blanket in the river to soak (and collect on the way back) , rewrap the "parcel" in an old blanket and go on to Sofala.
The Chinamen in Sofala must have considered their countrymen from Palmers Oakey to be very poor

My Grandmother told me that when screw top jars first became available from the local shop (Franks), Wong bought one with jam in it. Later when asked how he liked the new jars he said "Silly, no get jam out". He had cut a slot in the lid and dug the jam out. The jar was here for years with a cut about ½ inch by 1 inch.

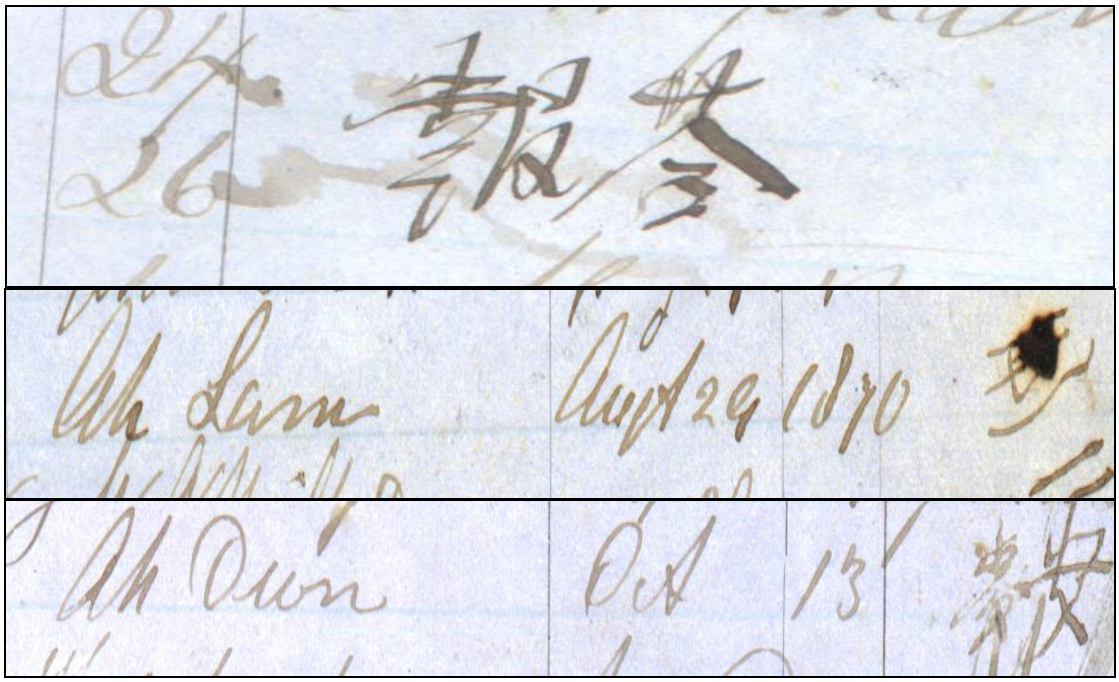
Wong came to my grandfather Duncan for help when he had a very bad tooth. The tooth was infected and one of the few left. It was decided that the tooth had to come out, so Duncan attached a cord to it, then over the rafter, then to the door. When all was in readiness Duncan slammed the door and the cord lifted poor Wong about a foot off the chair before the tooth let go. The tooth was about an inch long with two long roots that had turned in and "locked" into the jaw bone. I can remember my grandmother showing people the tooth but it has disappeared.

Ah Yuck lived on the flat that was to become Les Cochran's orchard, now Mullers. He grew vegies and took them to Sofala in a horse and cart. Stan Wilkinson said he would get a ride with Yuck as far as the Turon and open the gates for him. Stan would sit up in the cart amongst the vegies and when he got the chance he would throw a bunch of carrots or whatever out and pick them up on his way back home. Stan said he was sure Yuck knew for he would often say "Carrots make you grow boy."

Ah Wong was married to Ellen (nee Ballard) and lived in a hut just below the fig tree on portion 2. My grandmother said a lot of the locals would not have a lot to do with Ellen. She said it was not so much that they looked down on her for marrying a chinaman but they were jealous of her, because of the way Wong looked after her. Ellen died about 1925.


Palmers Oakey March. 8 - 1915
I the undersigned have this day Sold
to D. Ferguson my good will of two
acres Lease for the sum of two pound
£2-" - Ellen Ah Chong

The Palmers Oakey Post Office registered letter register I have in my possession has the signatures of several Chinese



The following came from the internet. Dry Scott lived at Dark Corner. (See Scott dc Tree)

Just Fair Game

I came into the valley
The Turon Valley of gold
And marvelled at the vista
My thoughts on days of old
-When Chinese built this roadway
In the middle of nowhere it seemed
Gold at the end of the rainbow
Down where the Turon gleamed.
Here the Chinese and others
Worked the river for gold
And many a good find was made here
Or so I have been told
But life was hard on the diggings
Much harder for some it seems
The Chinese carried the burden
Of prejudice and schemes.

Chorus:

They were just fair game
They were not the same
They were just fair game.

Dry Scott came to the Turon
In search of horses, gone astray
There he came upon a stranger
Quietly panning away
Scott asked him had he seen his horses
The stranger couldn't understand
Which irritated the horseman
By the river, where he panned.
Scott took hold of the new chum
Threw him back, like a fish

Into the water, much deeper
Because he didn't speak English
He left him there in the water
And went on his way downstream
A voice rang out in the valley
Other diggers heard the scream.
They pulled him out of the river
His recovery took awhile
He gave the police a description
And Scott was brought to trial.
In the eyes of the law we're all equal
Scott was found guilty and fined
Just a paltry amount, though
For Chinese are a different kind.

DUNN

Martin Dunn lived in the area where the Shumacks house now stands, and it is still referred to as Dunns

There is some confusion as to which Martin Dunn the following records relate to, as there was a Snr and a Jnr.

My fathers mother talked of Martin Dunn as a happy go lucky man, always ready with a joke. She said her and Martin had a game of kicking a football over the cloths line, the ball being the blown up bladder of a recently killed steer.

Snr is believed to have arrived in Australia in 1838, aged 3 years the son of Patrick Dunn of Ireland.

Martin married at Bathurst on the 25th August 1855 **Margaret Shumack** daughter of William Shumack (See **A Shumack Story by E White**) They had 9 children but only registered 3.

Martin Snr died at Dark Corner 2-12-1898 and was buried at Kirkconnell.

The following from The History of Palmers Oakey

70-71	Electrol Roll	Dunn	Martin		Dark Corner	
1897	Registered Letter at Palmers Oakey post office Mrs M Dunn,1.					
1898	Martin Dunn Snr died					
1903	Electrol Roll	Dunn	Martin	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
1906	Electrol Roll	Dunn	Martin	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
1908	Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office. Martin Dunn 1					
1908	Common Roll	Martin Dunn	Selector			
1908	Electrol Roll	Dunn	Martin	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

24-03-1909 A trustees meeting was held on the above date H Theobald in the chair. Full number present. Application from Miss E Martin and Mr C Ferguson for common rights was refused on grounds of non-resident. L Smiths application for common right granted. A request from D Ferguson to allow him pasturage for 6 head of stock over and above his compliment on common, refused. The secretary was instructed to notify **Martin Dunn** that his common right shall not be granted as from the end of half year ending 30 June 1909. Meeting closed E Wolfenden sec.

Bathurst Land Board.

ACP 10/38	100 acres	Martin Dunn
CL 10/49	250 acres	Martin Dunn

DYSON.

Many Dysons came to England from Flanders and were dyers and weavers, in fact they were persuaded to come over to Norwich by Edward lll of England to bring over with them their very specialised skills as worsted weavers . So the Dy-sons were the sons of Dyers

James Dyson was born in England 1825 and arrived in Australia per the *"Canton*" 16-6-1848 with his mother (widowed) and 6 siblings.

The first record in this area is.

07-11-1858 At Palmers Oakey, **James Dyson** (bachelor) of Palmers Oakey married **Mary Henley** (widow) nee Chapman in the house of Samuel Taylor. Celebrant was Rev. Henry Palmer C of E Minister of Sofala. Witnesses were Michael Fox & Bridget Morcan.

The Dysons lived at the junction of the Palmers Oakey creek and the Turon, raised 4 children who attended the Upper Turon school nearby. They ran stock on the common and mined for gold.

James died 21-12-1893 at Palmers Oakey from cirrhosis which he had suffered from for 15 months and was buried at Palmers Oakey on the 23rd , His old mining mates, Emanuel Lewis was undertaker and Jacob Dunkel & Bill Tacke witnesses.

Upper Turon School Records

No:	Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-	date	Reason for Leaving
8g	24-7-76	Jane Dyson	10	EC		James Dyson	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd	7/76 1-12-76	kept at home
25g	16-4-77	Jane Dyson	11	EC		James Dyson	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	4/77 22-6-77	kept home
29g	15-10-77	Jane Dyson	11	EC		James Dyson	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	10/77	
?-9-83		????.Henle	10	EC	/3	J Dyson	Upper Turon	Miner	2nd	9/83	Left district
??-8-84		?????????????	7	EC	/3	J Dyson	Upper Turon	Miner	1st	8/84	Left district

The following from The History of Palmers Oakey

1872	Palmers Oakey Post Office Records	Dyson James	miner	Palmer's Oakey	
1875/6	Palmers Oakey Post Office Records	Dyson James	miner,		
1901/2	Common Roll	James Dyson	Resident Miner		
		Mrs J Dyson Snr	Resident		
1903	Electoral Roll	Dyson Elizabeth	F	Upper Turon	DD
		Dyson James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
		Dyson Mary	F	Upper Turon	DD
1906	Electoral Roll	Dyson James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
		Dyson Mary	F	Upper Turon	D D
1908	Common Roll	James Dyson	Miner		
		Mrs J Dyson	D D		
		Rupert Dyson	Miner		
		Elizabeth Dyson	Resident		

COMMON RECORDS

NAME		HORSES	CATTLE
1884	James Dyson	1	
1885	James Dyson Jnr	3	
1886	James Dyson	3	
1887	James Dyson	3	2
1888	James Dyson	2	
1889	James Dyson	3	
1896	James Dyson	1	
1897	James Dyson	1	
1898	James Dyson	1	
1899	James Dyson	1	
1900	James Dyson	1	
1901	James Dyson	1	
1902	James Dyson	1	
1903	James Dyson	2	2
1904	James Dyson	1	2
1905	James Dyson	2	3
1906	James Dyson	2	3
1907	James Dyson	3	3
1908	James Dyson	3	1
1909	J Dyson	2	

14-06-1944 James Dyson Jr. died.

DYSON

1. **James Dyson** b. 1825, Suffolk England, (son of Charles Dyson and Catherine Dallas) occupation Gold Miner, m. 07-11-1858,in Palmers Oakey, house of Samuel Taylor, **Mary Chapman**, b. 1825, Kent England, (daughter of James Chapman and Marshall) d. 08-06-1909, The Gap. Wolgan, buried: 11-06-1909, Pipers Flat. James died 21-12-1893, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. Arrived Sydney 16-6-1848 per "*Canton*" with mother (widowed) & 6 siblings Mary Arrived Aust 1838. **See Henley Tree**

Children:

2.	i	Matilda Dyson	b. 05-10-1856.
3.	ii	Frances M Dyson	b. 24-07-1859.
	iii	James Dyson	b. 08-10-1862.
	iv	Jane Dyson	b.-1866, m. (1) 05-06-1889,Sofala, John P Matthews, m. (2) 23-08-1911**, James Tofford.**

Second Generation

2. **Matilda Dyson** b. 05-10-1856, Palmers Oakey, m. (1) 1872, in Palmers Oakey, **William Harvey,** b. 1851, d. 29-07-1872, Palmers Oakey, buried: Sofala, m. (2) 1876, in Running Stream, **Benit William George**, b. 1835, Sydney, (son of William Benit George and Ann Owen) d. 01-11-1918, Rylstone, buried: 02-11-1918, Rylstone. Matilda died 19-07-1940, Rylstone, buried: 20-07-1940, Rylstone. **William: See Harvey Tree** **Benit: See George Tree**

Children by William Harvey:

	i	Mary Matilda	b. 00-00-1873.

Children by Benit William George:

	ii	William Benit George	b. 18-09-1877, m. 1905, in Rylstone, **Harriett A Black.** William died 1942, Lithgow.
	iii	Alfred James George	b. 04-10-1879, d.1880, Rylstone.
	iv	Owen Beauchup George	b. 12-12-1880, m. 1907, in Rylstone, **Adelaid E Jones.**
	v	Thomas A George	b. 06-05-1883.
	vi	Charles H George	b. 01-07-1885.
	vii	Ethel C George	b: 05-09-1887.
	viii	James R George	b. 30-10-1889, Rylstone.
	ix	Rupert S George	b. 17-12-1891, Rylstone.
	x	Douglas Dyson George	b. 17-03-1894, Rylstone.
	xi	Edith G George	b. 17-05-1897, Rylstone, d. 1897, Rylstone.
	xii	Olive A George	b. 20-02-1899, Rylstone.

3. **Frances M Dyson** b. 24-07-1859, Palmers Oakey, m. (1) 11-12-1879, in Running Stream, **James John Mansfield**, b. 1849, Bury St.Edmunds Suffolk England, (son of George Mansfield and Maria Hurst) occupation Farmer/Miner, d. 09-04-1888, Fassifern, buried: 11-04-1888, Wallsend, m. (2) **Alfred Wilkinson**, b. 24-03-1842, d. 13-06-1910. Frances died 05-06-1950, Clandulla, buried: 07-06-1950, Capertee. James: Killed by a fall of rock in the Northumberland mine.

Children by James John Mansfield:

	i	Mary Annie Maria Mansfield	b. 00-00-1880.
6	ii	Henry John Mansfield	b. 00-00-1882.
	iii	John George Mansfield	b. 00-00-1884, Rylstone, d. 1917, Rylstone.
	iv	Frances E Mansfield	b. 00-00-1885, Ryde, d. 1885, Ryde.
7.	v	Frances Jane Mansfield	b. 12-10-1886.

Children by Alfred Wilkinson:

	vi	Sylvia A (Rosie) Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1892, Broken Hill.
	vii	Esther Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1896, Sofala.
	viii	Benit D Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1899, Sofala.
	ix	Matilda L Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1902, Sofala.

4. **James Dyson** b. 08-10-1862, Palmers Oakey, occupation Labourer, m.1886, in Sydney, **Grace Elizabeth Simpson.** James died 14-06-1944, Katoomba, buried: 16-06-1944, Capertee.

Children:

8.	i	Mary Elizabeth Dyson	b. 00-00-1887.
	ii	George M B Dyson	b. 00-00-1888, Sydney.
	iii	Herbert J Dyson	b. 00-00-1889, Ryde, d. 1890, Sofala.
	iv	Rupert J Dyson	b. 00-00-1891, Sofala, d. 1912, Wallawang.
	v	Thomas H Dyson	b. 00-00-1893, Sofala, d. 1893, Sofala.
	vi	Frederick W Dyson	b. 00-00-1895, Sofala, d. 1895, Sofala.
	vii	Albert H Dyson	b. 00-00-1897, Sofala, d. 1899, Sofala.
	viii	Olive M Dyson	b. 00-00-1900, Sofala, d. 1940, Rylstone.

Third Generation

5. **Mary Annie Maria Mansfield** b. 1880, Rylstone, m. 1900, in Rylstone, **John William Sherden**. Mary died1935.

Children:

	i	Louisa Elizabeth F Sherden	b. 00-00-1901.
	ii	John George Sherden	b. 00-00-1902.
	iii	Annie Isabella Sherden	b. 00-00-1903, d. 1903.
	iv	Charles Henry Sherden	b. 00-00-1904, Penrith, d. 1905.
	v	Florence Mary Sherden	b. 00-00-1906, Penrith, d. 1970.
9.	vi	Myrtle Norma Sherden	b. 00-00-1911.
	vii	William Ernest Sherden	b. 00-00-1914, d. 1914.
	viii	Maud Elma Sherden	b. 00-00-1916.
	ix	James Henry Dennis Sherden	b. 00-00-1925, d. 1989.

6. **Henry John Mansfield** b. 1882, Rylstone, m. 1908, in Bathurst, **Mary Susan Eliza Matthews.** Henry died 1942.

Children:

10.	i	Clara Francis M Mansfield	b.00-00-1910.

	ii	Ivy Thelma Mansfield	b. 00-00-1912, Rylstone,	d. 1912.
	iii	Henry Allan Mansfield	b. 00-00-1914, Mudgee,	m. 1945, **Beatrice Mary Kurtz.**
11.	iv	William Nelson Mansfield	b. 00-00-1916.	
	v	Doris D Mansfield	b. 00-00-1917, Rylstone,	d. 1920.
	vi	Lily Mabel Isobel Mansfield	b. 00-00-1919.	

7. **Frances Jane Mansfield** b. 12-10-1886, Mullett Creek, m. 22-04-1903, in Sofala, **Alfred Ernest Wilkinson,** b.13-12-1870,Castlereagh, occupation Teamster, d. 28-10-1931, Capertee, buried: 29-10-1931, Capertee. Frances died18-08-1962, Portland, buried: 20-08-1962, Capertee. **Alfred: See Wilkinson Tree**

Children:

i	Florence Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1904, Palmers Oakey.	
ii	Alfred James Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1905, Palmers Oakey.	
iii	Henry Thomas Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1906, Palmers Oakey,	m. 1940, in Portland, **Christina Stewart**.
iv	Samuel Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1908, Palmers Oakey.	
v	Ernest Alfred Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1911, Palmers Oakey.	
vi	Douglas Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1914, Palmers Oakey,	d. 1914, Palmers Oakey.
vii	Frederick C Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1915, Palmers Oakey.	
viii	Charles Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1916, Palmers Oakey.	
ix	William Claude Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1918,	m. 1944, in Temora, **Lillian May Edwards.**
x	Stanley Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1920.	
xi	Cecil R Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1922	

8. **Mary Elizabeth Dyson** b. 1887, m. 1911, in Rylstone, **James Matthews,** b. 1877, d. 03-06-1942, Capertee, buried: 06-06-1942. Mary died 24-08-1966, Oberon, buried: 26-08-1966, Capertee.

Children:

i	Thelma Grace Mathews	b. 02-11-1913, Excelisor,	d. 21-05-1965, Katoomba.
ii	Angus James Matthews	b. 17-08-1914, Excelisor,	m. **Jean Edwards.** Angus died 00-08-1989, Sydney.
iii	Charles Thomas Matthews	b. 31-05-1916, Excelisor,	m. **Audrey Kent.** Charles died 13-08-1968, Katoomba.
v	Stanley Arthur Matthews	b. 18-09-1918, Excelisor,	d. 25-02-1990, Bathurst.
v	Ivy May Matthews	b. 02-06-1921, Capertee,	m. **Stanley Maher.** Ivy died 24-08-1989, Oberon.

Fourth Generation

9. **Myrtle Norma Sherden** b. 1911, m. **Edward Charles O'Farrell.** **Edward: See O'Farrell Tree**

Children:

12.	1	Beryl Maud O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1938.
13.	ii	Clarice Mary O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1938.
14.	iii	Kevin Vincent O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1941.
15.	iv	Michael John O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1943.
	v	Lawrence Edward O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1945.
16.	vi	Mary Helen O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1947.
	vii	Maureen Margaret O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1950.

10. **Clara Francis Mary Mansfield** b. 1910, Rylstone, m. 1928, **William R Blackley.**

Children:

i	Kevin Blackley	b. 00-00-1928,	m. 1957, **Gwendoline Thelma Turner.**
ii	Yvonne Delors Blackley	b. 00-00-1932,	m. 1957, **William James Oats.**

11. **William Nelson Mansfield** b. 1916, Rylstone, m. **Aileen Tierney**. William died 1997.

Children:

i John Mansfield.
ii Patricia Mansfield.
iii Beverley Mansfield.

Fifth Generation

12. **Beryl Maud O'Farrell** b. 1938, m. 1961, **Lyall Edward Hatch.**

Children:

i	Christopher Edward Hatch	b. 00-00-1962.	
17. ii	Kerry Ann Hatch	b. 00-00-1964.	

13. **Clarice Mary O'Farrell** b. 1938, m. 1957, **Maxwell Patrick Cuthbert**.

Children:

i	Patrick Edward Cuthbert	b. 00-00-1958.
ii	Ann Marie Cuthbert	b. 00-00-1960.
iii	Anthony John Cuthbert	b. 00-00-1963.
iv	Paul Gerard Cuthbert	b. 00-00-1965.
v	Catherine Lucy Cuthbert	b. 00-00-1969.

14. **Kevin Vincent O'Farrell** b. 1941, m. **Irene Dann.**

Children:

i	Christine Maree O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1963.
ii	Gregory Mark O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1964.
iii	Sandra Lee O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1965.
iv	Michael Edward O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1981.
v	Steven Nicholas O'Farrell	b. 00-00-1983.

15. **Michael John O'Farrell** b. 1943, m. **Heather Marjorie Byrne.**

Children:

i Lynda Maree O'Farrell.
ii Maria Ann O'Farrell.
iii Theresa Joy O'Farrell.
iv Katrina Gae O'Farrell.
v Christopher Michael O'Farrell.

16. **Mary Helen O'Farrell** b. 1947, m. 1968, **John Murphy**.

Children:

i	Bernadette Mary Murphy	b. 00-00-1969.
ii	Patricia Murphy	b. 00-00-1970.
iii	Carmel Murphy	b. 00-00-1971.

Sixth Generation

17. Kerry Ann Hatch b. 1964, m. 1990, **Stephen Arthur Trudgett.**

Children:

i	Gemma Louise Trudgett	b. 00-00-1994.
ii	Bryce Richard Trudgett	

ELBOURN

We go back to England , to a small village 8 km south of Cambridge , the village of Little Shelford , this was the home to several Elbourns , and there are still Elbourns there today.

1857 saw some of the Elbourns set sail on the "*John Bunyan*" and arrive in Australia on the 27th October 1857.

The one we will follow is **Arthur** , who soon after his arrival moved to the Bathurst area where he worked with horses helping to construct the Sydney-Bathurst road. At times he would try his luck at gold prospecting , then back to the road.
Then in 1867 at the age of 32 he married **Susannah Stock** aged 19 on the 10th June 1867. They lived at Yetholme for awhile then when our **John Henry** was born they were living at "Burrundilla" Station near Mudgee .
About 1890 they moved to the Woodstock district onto "Old Tanandra Station" , later moving to another property "Gum Creek" 10 km west of Canowindra where they operated a sawmill.

About 8 km south of "Gum Creek" is the district of Nerang Creek , this was the home of the Jones. This was where John Henry met **Amy Lydia Jones** and they were married at the Methodist Parsonage No 1 Montague St., Balmain on the 16-4-1905.
A year later on Monday the 25-6-1906 at 12-35 P.M. their first child John William was born at Wambool near Bathurst.
The next year Norman was born at Canowindra and a short time later they moved to "Kia-Ora" (640 acres) on the Turon 2 K up from the junction with the Palmers Oakey creek
Here they raised 4 more children, 3 born there and the last Winifred in the Sofala Hotel in 1915. About 1918 they moved to "Lochaber" at Capertee (mainly for education of the children).
John and his wife ran both properties, running sheep and cattle.
John Henry died 16-11-1919 from pneumonia after getting wet on his way home from "Kia-Ora" .and is buried at Mudgee

Mrs Elbourn continued to run the properties from Capertee, "Kia-Ora" was the showplace of the valley, and she beat off pressure from neighbours to sell out.

16-05-1953 Mrs A A Elbourn died at St Vincents Hospital Bathurst. She is buried at Mudgee cemetery with John.

The eldest boy Jack continued to run both properties after his mother passed away in 1953 , until the early 1970s when he sold them and he and his wife moved to Wallerawang where shortly after in 1972 his wife died.
Jack stayed on in Wang , going to the Rifle Club to shoot , until he finally hung up his rifle in 1988. and a couple of years later moved to Coleman House in Portland, where he died 2nd June 1998.

The youngest, Winifred married Duncan Ferguson in 1934 and they lived at" Kelvin", Palmers Oakey, Duncan died 1966 and Win 2001.

The following is from The History of Palmers Oakey.

20-06-1910 A trustees meeting was held on the above date when the secretary was instructed to write to Brooks Land Agent re money coming from Hyde and **Elbourne** for improvements taking up on their Selection and the meeting closed. D D Munro Sec.

Bathurst Land Board.

OCP09/113		J H Elbourn	Crown Improvements	£10-17-00
CL 09/91	480 acres	J H Elbourn	Confirm Rent	4 ¼ d

1914 Rural Lands Protection Board Records.

NAME	AREA	HORSES	CATTLE	SHEEP	ACRES
J H Elbourn	Upper Turon	3	10	213	?

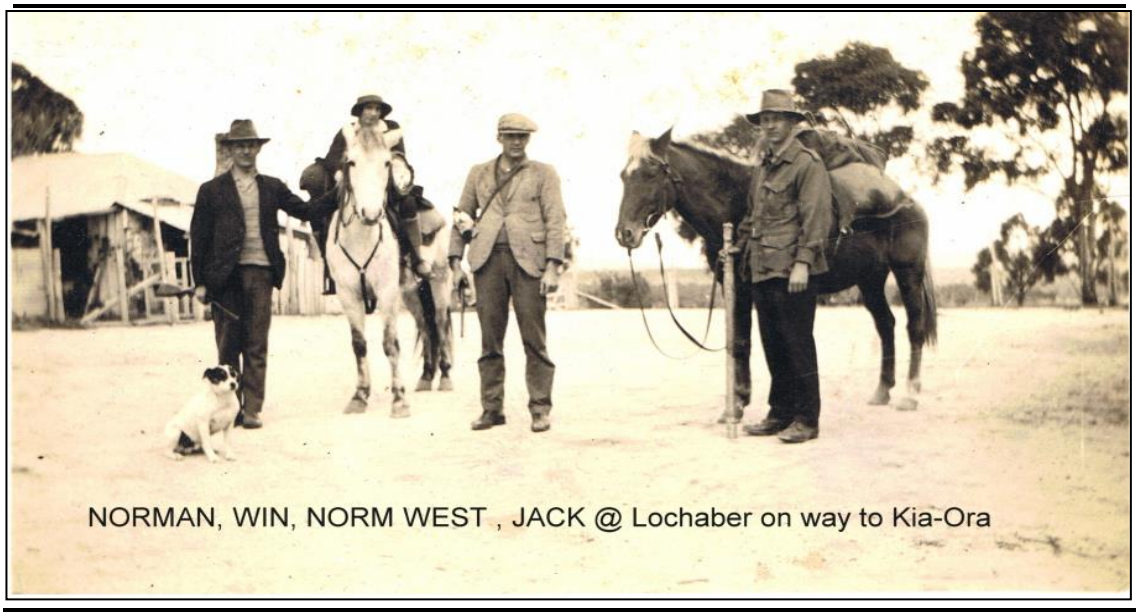
1918 Rural Lands Protection Board Records.

NAME	AREA	HORSES	CATTLE	SHEEP	ACRES
J H Elbourn	Upper Turon	9	4	459	644

00-00-1940	Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade formed:-
Aiden Shumack	10-0
E M Ferguson	10-0
D Ferguson	10-0
C Munro	3-0
Mrs A Elbourn	2-6
T Ferguson	10-0
J Shumack	7-6
T G Scott	2-6
H A Thompson	1-00-0
	£3-15-6



WIN , BILL , FLO , NORMAN , Mrs A, JACK , AMY.



NORMAN, WIN, NORM WEST , JACK @ Lochaber on way to Kia-Ora



FERGUSON

The Fergusons arrived in Australia 1839 per the "*James Moran*" There was Duncan 1st , his wife Mary, their 9 children and the nurse girl Isabella McKenzie.

They went to "Wivenhoe", near Camden. "Wivenhoe" was owned by Mr Charles Cowper, and he employed Duncan as a shepherd for a salary of 20 pounds per year, plus rations.

About 1840 Mr Cowper lost interest in his sheep enterprises as he moved further into public life and this may have been the reason for Duncan moving over the mountains to the Limekilns | Palmers Oakey area where his trade of shepherd was in demand.

I am not sure when the Fergusons did settle in Palmers Oakey but when they did "move in" to Palmers Oakey, they selected the top end of the valley and made their home at "Warrie".

During the gold rush of the 50's / 60s they had an Inn at Reedy Creek, near to where the Warrie homestead now stands.

20-5-1841	Daughter Jessie married Peter McKinnon of Coolamigal / Limekilns
5-5-1855	Their second daughter Agnes died , aged 31, at Coolamigal.
4-10-1855	Their third daughter Catherine married John McKinnon of Limekilns.
22-8-1959	Their son, Duncan 2nd, married Jane Virginia Peet at "Warrie".
5-2-1860	Duncan 1st died in Piper Street Bathurst, from cancer of the stomach.
24-6-1861	Their forth daughter Mary, married Archibald McKinnon of Limekilns .
1862	Their fifth daughter Isabella married at "Warrie", John Smith of Dark Corner.
7-6-1872.	The oldest child John married Susannah Haines at Jews Creek
23-9-1862	Their youngest daughter, Jessie marry Thomas Southall , butcher of Palmers Oakey at Mitchells Creek
1863	Their sixth daughter, Alexandria, married Stephen Larkin at Blackmans Flat.
21-3-1884	Duncan 1st his wife Mary, died at Palmers Oakey , aged 89 years.

Duncan 1st last will and testament makes interesting reading. Viz.

In the name of God. Amen.

I Duncan Ferguson of "Warrie", County of Roxburgh, District of Bathurst, Colony of New South Wales, Farmer and Grazier being weak in health but of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding Blessed be God for the same do this thirtieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following: -

That is to say first and principally I commend my soul unto Almighty God my Creator hoping for a glorious resurrection and a remission of all my sins through the merits and mediation of my Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and my body I commit to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my executors herein after named And as to such worldly estate of which I may die possessed I give and bequeath the same as follows:

I give and bequeath to my dear wife Mary McColl Twenty pounds sterling to be given her by my executors as soon as convenient after my death, also the two cows known as Miss Faloon and her daughter, also a wool bed and bedding, also one half of the wheat and hay crop, one fourth of the potatoes now growing and one third of whatever flour tea and sugar that may remain in the house of what 1 left of my own. I give and bequeath to my son John all my sheep at or near "Warrie" on condition of his paying the sum of Thirty pounds Stirling to the hands of my executors (to be hereafter named) to be paid by them as hereafter named, 1 also give him the hereunder named horses, one roan horse Warrigal, one roan horse Roancy, one bay mare Fanny and foal, one bay mare Old Nelly, also my harrows, my watch clock and kettle, one half of the potato crop now growing, also my right and title of two sections of Crown land at and near Jack Welshes that I had from John McKinnon, also one third of whatever flour tea and sugar that may remain in his house of what was mine, also a wool bed and bedding, also all the wool packs. I also leave my horse Grego in his charge for the sole use of the girls Alick and Jessie when they want him. I give and bequeath to my son Duncan all my working bullocks, dray and harness belonging to them, also my plough, my gun, my valise and one half of the wheat and hay crops, one fourth of the potato crop, also my right and title to two sections of Crown land at the back of Coolamigal of what I got from P Murray, and one third of what ever f lour tea and sugar that may remain of what 1 left of my own on condition of his paying the sum of Thirty pounds Stirling to my executors to be paid by them as hereafter named, I give and bequeath to my daughter Alexandrina

the sum of Twenty pounds Stirling to be paid to her by my executors as soon as convenient after my death, also my bay filly (known as Nellys filly), also a wool bed and bedding. I also give and bequeath to my daughter Jessie the younger the sum of Twenty pounds Stirling to be paid to her by my executors as soon as convenient after my death and bequeath to my two daughters Mary and Isabella the sum of Ten pounds Stirling each to be paid to them by my executors as soon as convenient after my death. I give to my daughter Catherine my big clothes box and the bible that she gave me. I give and bequeath to Isabella McKenzie the sum of Ten pounds Stirling to be paid to her by my executors as soon as convenient after my death, also a wool bed and bedding. I also give and bequeath to my executors all my cattle not heretofore disposed of to be by them converted into cash for the payment of the afore mentioned legacies together with the sum of Fifty pounds now in the hands of John McKinnon and allother cash and effects 1 may have at my death not before disposed of and whatsoever may remain after payments of all my last debts, funeral and testamentary expenses and the aforesaid legacies the remainder to be divided between my wife and two daughters Alexandrina and Jessie.
And I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my kind friends JOHN SMITH of Palmers Oaky Creek, County of Roxburgh aforesaid and JOHN McKINNON of Lime Kilns, County of Roxburgh aforesaid to be my executors for carrying this my last Will and Testament into effect, and herby revoking and making void all former or other Wills and Testaments by me at any time heretofore made. I do declare this to be my last Will and Testament in witness hereof I the said Duncan Ferguson the testator have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand this Thirty first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

Signed DUNCAN FERGUSON

(Signed by me for the testator in his presence and by his direction. J.McKinnon)
Acknowledged by the Testator Duncan Ferguson as his signature in the presence of us present at the same time who have hereunder subscribed our names as witnesses this thirty first day of January 1860.

HUGH McKAY, KENNETH McKENZIE, DUNCAN McKINNON
On the 5th April 1860 probate of the will was granted to John Smith and John McKinnon .

John, and Duncan 2nd remained on "Warrie" until 1892 when Mr Durack foreclosed. Duncan 2nd had borrowed money against "Warrie" and as the depression of the 90's started to bite he played his last card. This was a racehorse. He ran this horse in a match race in Bathurst, and put everything on it, as it was the best horse. But the best horse, lost, as it had been nobbled.
Before the bailiff arrived John took some sheep "bush", Duncan 3rd took a team of bullocks and bullock wagon and “went on the road" for a while, and Ewen “lost” some horses in the bush.

John stayed on his own in his hut at Limekilns Swamp on the Sunny Corner road (his wife had died in 1878 and it is thought the 2 children went to her people) till he died in 1908 and was buried with his wife at Dark Corner.

Duncan 2nd moved to "Oaks" and made application for common rights to run their stock being 21 horses and 28 cattle on the Palmers Oakey Common. He died 2 years later from a broken heart.

The Sons of Duncan 2nd

Duncan 3rd	31-3-1863.	1-6-1931
Charles Peet	5-7-1864.	23-7-1942
Ewen McColl	18-4-1878	22-4-1943

Duncan 3rd took up "Kelvin" married the local schoolteacher Matilda Deasey and their children were Tom Flora, and Duncan 4th . He expanded his holdings to about 20,000 acres mainly lease country as he was loath to borrow money, but spent a lot of time on the road with his bullock team. A trip to Bathurst took a week, 3 days there, a day to unload and load, then 3 days back. At one stage his wife milked 8 cows to make butter, some of this was to grease the axles of the bullock wagon. He was the last of the bullockies in this area. The children attended school at Rockdale where they boarded with their mother’s sisters, returning to work with their father, during holidays, and when their schooling was completed.

His children.
Flora married Barney Smith after his return from WW l and had one child Ewen. They moved about the area from job to job then moved to Rockdale, where Barney later died. Flora moved to Rockhampton in Queensland to live with her son Ewen.
She died there on the 27-10-1989

Tom married Phyliss Papworth their children were Ruth, Kit, and John. Tom took over "Nebo" and retained it until his death in 1957.

Duncan 4th married Win Elbourn and had one child Colin. Duncan took over "Kelvin" and retained it till his death in 1966.

Charles Peet took up "Nebo" and his children were: Charles, Roy, Willina, Violet, Ronald, Edith.
By the late 1920s all the family had left Palmers Oakey, some to the Sydney area and others to Lithgow. During the early 1940's Charles Peet returned to Palmers Oakey," to get away from the Japs" and come home to die. He passed away here in 1942.
Charlie Jr. spent a lot of his life at Lithgow retiring to the Mid Coast where he died.
Roy went to Lithgow.
Ron finished up in New Zealand.

Ewen McColl stayed on "Oaks" married Elizabeth McKinnon and had no children.

The Daughters Of Duncan 2nd

Annie married Samuel Barry and lived in the Portland area.
Mary married Ben Sparks and raised a large family in the Cullen Bullen area.
Willina married Peter McKinnon and descendants are living in Sydney
Alice married John Smith and descendants are in the Bathurst area, Sydney, and Rockhampton.

OF THE ORIGINAL FAMILY.
John's son, Duncan George, married Edith Chudleigh, and their descendants now live in the Wollongong area.

Janet, who married Peter McKinnon, has descendants far and wide, a direct line of McKinnons, the Munros, Shumacks, Maloneys.

Catherine, who married John McKinnon, still has descendants..

Mary married Archibald McKinnon and lived in the Limekilns area.

Isabella, who married John Smith, has the greatest number of descendants living in this area.

Alexander, who married Stephen Larkin, has a lot descendants, mainly in the Ben Bullen area.

Jessie, who married the Palmers Oakey butcher Southall, has descendants in Sydney.

Duncan 2nd, who married Jane V Peet, has a few Ferguson descendants still going, as well as, Barrys , Sparks, Fitzgeralds.

FERGUSON

1. **Duncan Ferguson** b. 05-12-1788, Scotland, (son of John Ferguson and Isabel Imrie) occupation Shepherd/grazier, m.(1) 23-04-1816, in Scotland, **Isabella Cameron**, b. Scotland, d. 1836, Lochbroom Scotland, m. (2) 1837, in Scotland, **Mary Carmichael,** b. 1795, d. 21-03-1884, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. Duncan died 05-02-1860, Piper St Bathurst, buried: Bathurst.

Children by Isabella Cameron:

2. i John Ferguson b. 1819. Scotland.
3. ii Jannet Ferguson b. 1821, Isle of Skye Scotland, m. 20-05-1841, in "Yarras" Bathurst, **Peter Leonard McKinnon,** b. 12-11-1808, Inverness Scotland, occ Shepherd/Manager/Farmer, d. 31-08-1886, Warrie Palmers Oakey, buried: 02-09-1886, Palmers Oakey. Jannet died 25-11-1902, Palmers Oakey, buried: 27-11-1902, Palmers Oakey. **Peter: See McKinnon Tree**
4. iii Agnes Ferguson b. 1824, Scotland, d. 05-05-1855, Coolamigal.
5. iv Catherine Ferguson b. 1826, Scotland, m. 1855, in Bathurst, John McKinnon, b. 04-01-1826, Inverness Shire Scotland, occupation Farmer & Grazier, d. 18-09-1907, Limekilns, buried: 20-09-1907, Bathurst Presbyterian. Catherine died 31-05-1920, Limekilns, buried: Bathurst. **John: See McKinnon Tree**
6. v Mary Ferguson b. 1828, Scotland, m. 24-06-1861, in Bathurst, **Archibald McKinnon**, b. 17-10-1830, Scotland. Mary died 16-09-1907, Bathurst, buried: Bathurst. **Archibald: See McKinnon Tree**
7. vi Isabella Ferguson b. 1830.
8. vii Alexandria Ferguson b. 1832, Scotland, m. 1863, in Blackmans Flat, **Stephen Larkin**. Alexandria died 04-11-1873, Black Springs near Sofala, buried: 05-11-1873, Running Stream . **Stephen: See Larkin Tree**
9. viii Jessie Ferguson b. 1836, Scotland, m. 23-09-1862, in Mitchells Creek, **Thomas Southall.** Jessie died 10-07-1899, Sydney Hospital. **Thomas: See Southall Tree**

Children by Mary Carmichael:

10. ix Duncan Ferguson b. 15-03-1838. Scotland.

Second Generation

2. **John Ferguson** b. 1819, Scotland, occupation Farmer, m. 09-06-1872, in Thomas Larkins house Jews Cr., **Susannah Haines,** b. 26-02-1851, Castlereigh NSW, occupation Assistant, d. 08-04-1878, Palmers Oakey, buried: Dark Corner. John died 01-06-1908, Palmers Oakey, buried: Dark Corner. Susannah: Father George Haines , mother Catherine Dale. George died 22-03-1877 buried Dark Corner, age 79, son of William.

Children:

11. i Janet Mary Ferguson b. 08-04-1873.
12. ii Duncan George Ferguson b. 15-02-1878.

7. **Isabella Ferguson** b. 1830, Scotland, m. 1862, at Warrie Palmers Oakey, **John Smith,** b. 1831, Kenyon, County Glengarry, Canada, (son of David Smith and Jane Mc Lennon) occupation Miner, d. 09-11-1898, Dark Corner, buried: Dark Corner. Isabella died 26-01-1884, Dark Corner, b: Dark Corner. John: Came to Aust; 1854 **John See Smith Tree**

Children:

13. i Duncan Ferguson Smith b. 11-09-1862.
14. ii Robert M Smith b. 00-00-1864, d. 1864.
15. iii Robert McLennon Smith b. 02-09-1865.
16. iv William Smith b. 20-11-1869.
17. v Donalina Isabella Smith b. 15-02-1872.
18. vi John McLennon Smith b. 00-00-1874, Dark Corner, d. 11-12-1885, Mitchells Creek, buried: Dark Corner. Drowned in dam

10. **Duncan Ferguson** b. 15-03-1838, Scotland, occupation Grazier/ Inn Keeper, m. 22-08-1859, at 'Warrie' Palmers Oakey, **Jane Virginia Peet**, b. 11-02-1842, Manchester England, occupation Inn Keeper/Grazier, d. 06-02-1905, Sofala Hospital, buried: 07-02-1905, Palmers Oakey. Duncan died 15-08-1895, "Oaks" Palmers Oakey,buried: 17-08-1895, Palmers Oakey. Jane: Arrived Australia 1857. (**See Jane V Ferguson Story)**

Children:

19. i Annie Ferguson b. 22-05-1860.
20. ii Mary Ferguson b. 28-08-1861, Palmers Oakey, m. 1880, in Bathurst, **John Benjamin Sparks,** b. 1858. Mary died 01-01-1915.
21. iii Duncan Ferguson b. 31-03-1863.
22. iv Charles Feet Ferguson b. 05-07-1864.
23. v Willina Ferguson b. 22-04-1867.
24. vi Alice Ferguson b. 21-07-1876.
25. vii **Ewen McColl Ferguson** b. 18-04-1878, Palmers Oakey, m. 00-00-1913, **Elisabeth Janet McKinnon**, b.15-01-1880, Palmers Oakey, d. 13-07-1948, buried: Palmers Oakey. Ewen died 22-04-1943, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey .**Elisabeth: See McKinnon Tree**

Third Generation

11. **Janet Mary Ferguson** b. 08-04-1873, Palmers Oakey, m. 1901, in Raymond Terrace, **Jabez Keasey**, b. 1875, Raymond Terrace.

Children:

26. i Gladys Miriam Keasey b. 00-00-1902.
27. ii Pearlie M Keasey b. 00-00-1908, Maitland West.

12. **Duncan George Ferguson** b. 15-02-1878, Palmers Oakey, occ Miner/soldier, m. 25-12-1902, in Lithgow, **Edith Chudley,** b. 24-09-1882, Yorkshire, d. 21-04-1946. Duncan died 10-09-1933, Sydney, buried: 12-09-1933, Rookwood. Served in WW l, miner under Hill 60.(Hill 60 of book and movie fame)

Children:

28. i Ada Ferguson b. 04-12-1904, Lithgow, d. 1904, Lithgow.
29. ii William George Ferguson b. 04-12-1902.
30. iii Duncan Mervyn Hugh Ferguson b. 28-02-1906.
31. iv Alena May Ferguson b. 01-10-1911.
32. v Joyce Edith Ferguson b. 03-10-1919.
33. vi Florence Nance Ferguson b. 18-06-1928.

13. **Duncan Ferguson Smith** b. 11-09-1862, m. 19-01-1885, in Sydney, **Elizabeth Ann Montgomery,** b. 04-05-1863, Bobs Creek Sunny Corner, (daughter of William Edward York Montgomery and Mary Ann Abigail Hemsworth). Duncan d 1922, buried: Dark Corner.

Children:

34. i Percival Duncan Smith b. 12-10-1885.
35. ii William John Smith b. 14-08-1887.
36. iii Isabella Mary Smith b. 19-08-1889.
37. iv Edward Smith b. 18-07-1892.
38. v Elizabeth Ann Smith b. 25-03-1896.

15. **Robert McLennon Smith** b. 02-09-1865, m. 1889, in Bathurst, **Elizabeth Archer** (nee Parr), b. 02-04-1856, Wattle Flat, d. 18-10-1934, buried: Dark Corner. Robert died 18-09-1930, buried: Dark Corner. **Elizabeth: See Archer Tree**

Children:

39. i Amy Alice Smith b. 16-08-1889, Dark Corner, m. (1) **Richard Davies**, m. (2) **Stanley Charles Mc Innes**. Amy died 23-10-1973, Port Kembla, buried: Crem Wollongong.
40. ii Robert Charles Smith b. 06-05-1891.
41. iii Elsie McLennon Smith b. 06-09-1893.
42. iv Ada Ettie Smith b. 04-08-1896.
43. v Eric Archer Smith b. 22-03-1899.
44. vi Gordon Thomas Smith b. 15-02-1902.

16. **William Smith** b. 20-11-1869, m. 15-04-1890, in Bathurst, **Alice Ferguson,** b. 21-07-1876, Palmers Oakey, (daughter of Duncan Ferguson and Jane Virginia Peet) d. 30-01-1905, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. William died 17-03-1905, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. **William See Smith Tree**

Children:

45. i William John McLennon Smith b. 03-11-1890, Palmers Oakey, d. 07-08-1915, Gallipoli, buried: 07-08-1915, At Sea. Enlisted in the AIF 4thBat on 22 Jan 1915. Died onboard hospital ship "Dunluce Castle" from wounds received at Gallipoli.
46. ii Virginia Isabella Smith b. 27-07-1893.
47. iii Elsie Minna Smith b. 00-00-1895, Palmers Oakey.
48. iv Ewen Ernest Smith b. 29-11-1897.

17. **Donalina Isabella Smith** b. 15-02-1872, Dark Corner, m. -1891, in Sunny Corner, **William Dunn**, b. 28-04-1858, Dark Corner, d. 23-11-1916, Coffs Harbour, buried: 24-11-1916, Coffs Harbour RC. Donalina died 21-07-1959, Port Macquarie, buried: 23-07-1959, Port Macquarie. William: Son of Martin Dunn & Margaret Shumack,

Children:

49 i William John Dunn b. 13-09-1892.
50. ii Thomas Hilton Dunn b. 15-04-1894.
51. iii George Joseph Dunn b. 21-07-1895.
52. iv Edward Martin Dunn b. 13-03-1897.
53. v James Arthur Dunn b. 10-03-1899.
54. vi Charles Dunn b. 23-11-1901.
55. vii Margaret Dunn b. 25-02-1902.
56. viii Anne Dunn b. 25-02-1902.
57. ix Victor Ernest Dunn b. 12-10-1904.

58.	x	Alma Margaret Dunn	b. 10-01-1906.	
59.	xi	Dorothy Mae Dunn	b. 26-05-1909.	
60.	xii	John Harold Dunn	b. 23-03-1911.	
61.	xiii	Walter James Dunn	b. 11-09-1912.	
62.	xiv	Albert Robert Dunn	b. 03-01-1914.	
63.	xv	Marie Maud Dunn	b. 03-03-1916.	

19. **Annie Ferguson** b. 22-05-1860, Palmers Oakey, m. 21-05-1883, in Bathurst, **Simon Joseph Barry,** b.1856, Winburndale, (son of Simon Barry and Bridget Kelly) d. 26-08-1931. Annie died 23-07-1908, buried: Kirkconnel. Simon Joseph: Called himself Samuel Berry, children reg as **Berry.**

Children:

64.	i	Bridget E Barry	b. 13-11-1883,	d. 00-00-1890.
65.	ii	Samuel John Barry	b. 26-04-1885,	d. 24-01-1886.
66.	iii	Emily Jane Barry	b. 10-04-1886.	
67.	iv	Samuel Joseph Barry	b. 22-11-1887.	
68.	v	Walter C Barry	b. 00-00-1889, Tuena.	
69.	vi	Margaret Mary Barry	b. 20-05-1890.	
70.	vii	Olive D Barry	b. 00-00-1890	

21. **Duncan Ferguson** b. 31-03-1863, Palmers Oakey, occupation Bullock driver/grazier, m. 28-09-1904, in Rockdale, **Matilda Josephine Deasey**, b. 09-07-1875, Kenmare County Kerry Ireland, occupation Teacher, d. 22-02-1959, "Kelvin" Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. Duncan died 01-06-1931, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey.

Children:

71.	i	Donald Thomas Ferguson	b. 12-08-1905.
72.	ii	Charlotte Flora Ferguson	b. 18-08-1907.
73.	iii	Duncan Latham Ferguson	b. 02-03-1911.

22. **Charles Peet Ferguson** b. 05-07-1864, Palmers Oakey, m. **Mary Elizabeth Thomas,** b. 1869, Tambaroora, d. 13-05-1955, 27 Hope St Rosehill, buried: 16-05-1955, Bowenfels. Charles died 23-07-1942, "Martins" Palmers Oakey, b: Palmers Oakey.

Children:

74.	i	Charles William Ferguson	b. 01-08-1891.	
75.	ii	Duncan Roy Ferguson	b. 18-05-1893.	
76.	iii	Willina Lousia Ferguson	b. 18-01-1895.	
77.	iv	Violet Mable Ferguson	b. 01-03-1897, Palmers Oakey,	d. 05-11-1964.
78.	v	Ronald Stewart Ferguson	b. 25-02-1899.	
79.	vi	Edith M Ferguson	b. 28-10-1903.	

23. **Willina Ferguson** b. 22-04-1 867, Palmers Oakey, m. 1890, in Sydney, **Peter McKinnon**, b. 1855. Willina died 1925.

Children:

80.	i	Jock Ferguson.		
81.	ii	Virginia McKinnon	b. 00-00-1891.	
82.	iii	Alan Peter McKinnon	b. 02-05-1892.	
83.	iv	Jennie V McKinnon	b. 00-00-1895,	m. 1935, **William McDonell.**
84.	v	Dorothy I McKinnon	b. 00-00-1895.	
85.	vi	Beryl McKinnon	b. 00-00-1897,	d. 1899, Burwood.
86.	vii	Mable McKinnon	b. 00-00-1901	m. 1924, **John C Thew.**

24. **Alice Ferguson** (See marriage to **William Smith**

Fourth Generation

26. **Gladys Miriam Keasey** b. 1902, Wickham, m. 1942, in Paterson, **Essex Eveleigh**.

Children:

87.	i	Cyril R Keasey	b. 00-00-1918, Wickham.	
88.	ii	Ellis Allen Keasey		d. 1940, Paterson.

29. **William George Ferguson** b. 04-12-1902, Lithgow, m. (1) 02-01-1926, in St Albans Belmore, Divorced 09-02-1931, **Agnes Bradley,** m. (2) 1931, in Canterbury, **Olive Fantom**, b. 22-07-1907, Sutton in Ashfield UK, d. 27-02-1977. William died 27-11-1963.

Children by Agnes Bradley:

89.	i	Margaret Rose Ferguson	d. 1934, Moulamein.

Children by Olive Fantom:

90.	ii	Trevor Ferguson	b. 04-01-1933.		
91.	iii	Kathleen Ferguson			d. 00-09-1938.
92.	iv	Yvonne Ferguson	b. 25-06-1938.		
93.	v	Valerie Ferguson	b. 08-06-1 940, Sydney,	m.	**Alan Grant.**
94.	vi	Vivian Lorraine Ferguson	b. 02-05-1943, Sydney,	m.	**William Martin.**

30. **Duncan Mervyn Hugh Ferguson** b. 28-02-1906, Helensburgh, m. 31-01-1 925, in Port Kembla, **Hannah Myra Jones** b. 16-06-1909, Lithgow. Duncan died 18-07-1978.

Children:

95.	i	Mervyn Albert Ferguson	b. 30-05-1925.
96.	ii	Leonard Ferguson	b. 22-01-1931
97.	iii	Paul Ferguson	b. 05-10-1940.

31. **Alena May Ferguson** b. 01-10-1911, Stanmore Sydney, m. 25-12-1936, in Methodist Church Port Kembla, **Francis Puckeridge,** b. 03-12-1907, d. 08-01-1980. Alena died 12-11-1990.

Children:

98.	i	Fay Puckeridge	b. 29-06-1945.
99.	ii	Lance Puckeridge	b. 03-01-1938.
100.	iii	Joseph Puckeridge	b. 19-12-1931.
101.	iv	Norman Puckeridge	b. 00-09-1948.

32. **Joyce Edith Ferguson** b. 03-10-1919, Newtown, m. **William Alexander Stewart**, b. 13-01-1915.

Children:

102.	i	Maureen Stewart	b. 24-08-1939.
103.	ii	AlexJamesStewart	b. 13-05-1941.

33. **Florence Nance Ferguson** b. 18-06-1928, Belmore Sydney, m. **Airoy Armstrong**, b. 07-08-1924.

Children:

104.	i	Debra Armstrong	b. 29-05-1952.
105.	ii	Michael Armstrong	b. 14-05-1950.

34. **Percival Duncan Smith** b. 12-10-1885, m. **Bertha Perry**, d.-1972, buried: Portland. Percival died-1930, Portland, b Portland.

Children:

106.	i	Mavis Lillian Smith	b. 01-11-1912.
107.	ii	Evelyn Smith	b. 00-00-1914, m. **Thomas Gardiner**, d. 00-01-2004, buried: Portland.
108.	iii	Melva Smith	b. 00-00-1918.
109.	iv	Lesley Raymond Smith	b. 00-00-1920, m. **Cecila Phillis Sheppard**, b. 1920, d. 11-06-1990, buried: Baradine. Lesley died 06-12-1996, buried: Baradine.
110.	v	Rita May Smith	b. 00-00-1923, d. 29-08-1992, buried: Portland.
111.	vi	Valerie Smith	b. 00-00-1924, m. **George Stewart.**
112.	vii	Arthur Hilton Smith	b. 00-00-1926, d. 19-12-1958, Portland, buried: Portland.
113.	viii	Norman Smith	b. 00-00-1928, m. **Edna Newgent.** Norman died 2000, buried: Portland.
114.	ix	Mervyn Smith.	

35. **William John Smith** b. 14-08-1887, Bobs Creek Sunny Corner, m. 17-08-1917, in Portland C of E, **Ivy Gladys Gardiner**, d. 26-12-1960, buried: Dark Corner. William died 11-11-1959, buried: Dark Corner.

Children:

115.	i	William J McLennon Smith	b. 02-10-1917, m. in Lithgow, **Lorraine Rowlandson**. William died 12-10-1985, buried: Ashes Dark Corner.
116.	ii	Roy Smith.	died at 18 months
117.	iii	Tommy Smith.	Died infant
118.	iv	Athol Keith Smith	b. 07-07-1923.
119.	v	Iris May Smith	b. 02-04-1929.

36. **Isabella Mary Smith** b. 19-08-1889, Mitchells Creek, m. 1916, in Portland, **Samuel Joseph Barry**, b. 22-11-1887,Bobs Creek Sunny Corner, (son of Simon Joseph Barry and Annie Ferguson) d. 1950. Isabella died 1942.

Children:

120.	i	Alan SamuelBarry	b. 02-02-1923.

37. **Edward Smith** b. 18-07-1892, Mitchells Creek, m. **Vera Williams.**

Children:

121.	i	Clifford Smith.
122.	ii	Ces Smith.
123.	iii	Kenneth Smith.
124.	iv	Merle Smith.

38. **Elizabeth Ann Smith** b. 25-03-1896, Sunny Corner, m. 1916, **Louis George Kremer.** Elizabeth buried: Portland.

Children.'

125.	i	William F Kremer	b. 00-00-1916, Sunny Corner.
126.	ii	Netta May Kremer	b. 18-06-1917.
127.	iii	John Louis Kremer	b. 05-07-1919.
128.	iv	Donald Lawrence Kremer	b. 03-12-1921, m. **Ivy Gardiner.**
129.	v	Jean Mary Kremer	b. 24-02-1924.
130.	vi	Arnold Clemence Kremer	b. 09-10-1926.
131.	vii	Betty June Kremer	b. 01-12-1928.
132.	viii	Sheila Kremer	d. 00-00-1937, Portland.

40. **Robert Charles Smith** b. 06-05-1891, Dark Corner, m. 19-06-1916, Bishops House Keppel St Bathurs, **Dulcie May Mc Culla,** b. 01-03-1900, d. 20-12-1986, Warilla, buried: Dark Corner. Robert died 01-04-1964, Dark Corner, buried: Dark Corner ashes.

Children:

133.	i	JeanSmith	b. 20-10-1917.
134.	ii	Loma Mary Smith	b. 16-09-1919.
135.	iii	Arnold Smith	b. 01-11-1921, Coolamigal, m. in Pokataroo, **Rona Procter.**
136.	iv	Neville Charles Smith	b. 15-03-1924, Bathurst, d. 18-03-1997, Bathurst, b: Crem Orange.
137.	v	Trevor Joseph Smith	b. 14-07-1926, Bathurst, d. 04-10-2001, Bathurst, b: Crem Orange.
138.	vi	Freda Elizabeth Smith	b. 08-06-1928.
139.	vii	Male Smith	b. 26-03-1931, Bathurst, d. 26-03-1931, Bathurst, buried: Bathurst.

140.	viii	Keith Smith	b. 06-02-1933, Bathurst,	d. 09-02-1933, Bathurst, buried: Bathurst.
141.	ix	Valerie Florence Smith	b. 12-02-1935.	
142.	x	Juliet Smith	b. 14-06-1940, Bathurst, m. in Wollongong**, Kevin Cutts**, b. 13-01-1935, Narromine.	

41. **Elsie McLennon Smith** b. 06-09-1893, Dark Corner.

Children:

143.	i	Daphne.	

42. **Ada Ettie Smith** b. 04-08-1896, Dark Corner m. 1916, in Bathurst, **Arthur J Whitehead**.

Children:

144.	i	Zena E Whitehead	b. 00-00-1916.
145.	ii	Lyel George Whitehead	b. 00-00-1918, Molong, m. 1942, in Sydney, **Gladys Mabel Badham.**
146.	ii	Della Whitehead	**m. Greg Barrett.**

43. **Eric Archer Smith** b. 22-03-1899, Dark Corner, m. **Maude Ellen Gates,** b. 1906, d. 28-08-1960. Eric d, 18-10-1977, Bathurst.

Children:

147.	i	`Graham Smith.	

44. **Gordon Thomas Smith** b. 15-02-1902, Dark Corner, occupation Grazier, m. 1924, in Bathurst, **Linda Kearns,** b. 1903, (daughter of George Thomas Kearns and Harriet Baker) d. 1989. Gordon died 1985, Bathurst, buried: Dark Corner.

Children:

148.	i	Linda Marie Smith (Masie)	b. 00-00-1925,	m.	**Ted Allman.**
149.	ii	Nita Irene Smith	b. 00-00-1926,	m. 1947, in Lidcombe,	**Robert Wailer Magill,** b. 1920.
150.	iii	Beryl E Smith	b. 00-00-1929,	m.	**Noel Kerr.**
151.	iv	Gordon Kenneth Smith	b. 00-00-1934,	m,	**Daphne Margaret Schoefield (Hill**), b. 16-01-1941, d. 27-04-2008, Bathurst.
152.	v	Estelle Mary Smith	b. 28-06-1936,		d. 00-00-195?.
153.	vi~	Thelma Fay Smith	b. 00-00-1941,	m.	**Bernard Ovington.**
154.	vii	Beverley R Smith	b. 00-00-1950,	m.	**Mc Clymont.**

46. **Virginia Isabella Smith** b. 27-07-1893, Palmers Oakey, m. 1911, in Redfern, **Charles E Boulden,** b. 1889, Rockdale. Virginia died 1975. Charles: Father John Mother Mary S

Children:

155.	i	John R Boulden	b. 00-00-1912, Burwood.	
156.	ii	Leonard E Boulden	b. 00-00-1914, Burwood,	d. 00-01935, Penrith.
157.	iii	Ernest C Boulden	b. 00-00-1918, Burwood.	
158.	iv	Gordon T Bouldon	d. 00-00-1920, Burwood.	

48. **Ewen Ernest Smith (Barney)** b. 29-1 1-1897, Palmers Oakey, m. **Charlotte Flora Ferguson,** b. 18-08-1907, Sydney (daughter of Duncan Ferguson and Matilda Josephine Deasey) d. 27-10-1989, Rockhampton Q.Ewen died 26-11-1956, Rockdale

Children:

159.	i	Ewen Maxwell Smith	b. 26-01-1926, m. 11-12-1965, **Cheryl Pamala Vaughan,** b. 19-05-1945.

66. **Emily Jane Barry** b. 10-04-1886, m. 00-00-1905, in Wallerawang, **Thomas James Carter**, b. 25-06-1885, d.11-09-1957. Emily died 26-04-1943, Portland.

Children:

160.	i	Thomas John Carter	b. 21-09-1906.	
161.	ii	William Carter	b. 00-00-1908,	d. 1958.
162.	iii	Harold Carter	b. 00-00-1909,	d. 1983.

67. **Samuel Joseph Barry (See marriage to number 36.)**

69. **Margaret Mary Barry** b. 20-05-1890, Tuena, m. 09-08-1912, in Sydney, **William Edward Montgomery**, b. 1889, Parramatta, d. 15-06-1961. Margaret died 1927.

Children:

163.	i	William F Montgomery	b. 20-02-1912.	
164.	ii	James Henry Montgomery	b. 10-05-1913.	
165.	iii	Walter Charles Montgomery.		
166.	iv	Victor Albert Montgomery	b. 00-00-1916,	d. 1973.
167.	v	Walter Ernest Montgomery	b. 01-05-1922.	
168.	vi	Gloria Margaret Montgomery	b. 17-03-1925.	
169.	vii	Harold Francis Montgomery	b. 00-00-1927,	d. 1927.

70. **Olive D Barry** b. 1890, Rockdale, m. 1911, in Rockdale, **Hercules G Latham**.

Children:

170.	i	Olive E Latham	b. 00-00-1912, Broken Hill.

71. **Donald Thomas Ferguson** b. 12-08-1905, Sydney, occupation Grazier, m. 1926, in Portland, **Phyllis Sophia Papworth,** b. 1905, Rylstone. Donald died 14-01-1957, Bathurst, buried: Bathurst

Children:

171.	i	Ruth Ferguson	b. 06-08-1927.
172.	ii	Kathleen Ferguson	b. 20-11-1932.
173.	iii	John Ferguson	b. 25-01-1946.

72. **Charlotte Flora Ferguson (See marriage to number 48.)**

73. **Duncan Latham Ferguson** b. 02-03-1911, "Kelvin" Palmers Oakey, occupation Grazier, m. 14-11-1934, in Portland, **Winifred Tottie Elbourn**, b. 16-10-1915, Sofala, d. 07-07-2001, Bathurst, buried: 12-07-2001, Palmers Oakey. Duncan died 30-03-1966, Bathurst, buried: Palmers Oakey. **Winifred: See Elbourn**

Children:

174.	i	Colin Latham Ferguson	b. 12-09-1936.	

74. **Charles William Ferguson** b. 01-08-1891, Palmers Oakey, m. 1923, in Lithgow, **Laura May Renshall**, b. 1905, Cobar, **(**daughter of John Joseph Renshall and Isabella May Brown). Charles died 07-05-1973.

Children:

175.	i	Edward Alfred Ferguson	b. 23-03-1924.	
176.	ii	Yvonne Edna Ferguson	b. 16-06-1926.	
177.	iii	Douglas Charles Ferguson	b. 21-03-1937,	d. 21-03-1937.

75 **Duncan Roy Ferguson** b. 18-05-1893, Palmers Oakey, m. **Dorothy Hampden Ismay,** b. 1897, d. 1967. Duncan d 21-10-1948.

Children:

178.	i	Audrey Ismay Ferguson	b. 06-01-1927.
179.	ii	Roy Joshua Ismay Ferguson	b. 29-01-1933.

76. **Willina Lousia Ferguson** b. 18-01-1895, Palmers Oakey, m. 1931, in Portland, **Harold William Fitzgerald**, b.1897, Riverstone, (son of William Fitzgerald and Mary Quinn) d. 27-12-1955. Willina died 05-09-1977, Lithgow.

Children:

180.	i	Colin Fitzgerald	b. 00-00-1936, occupation Miner,	d. 08-10-2009, Lithgow.

78. **Ronald Stewart Ferguson** b. 25-02-1899, Palmers Oakey, m. **Ellen Josephine,** b. 1915. Ronald died 11-10-1956.

Children:

181.	i	Sheila Josephine Ferguson	b. 00-00-1934.
182.	ii	Ron Richard Ferguson	b. 00-00-1937.

79. **Edith M Ferguson** b. 28-10-1903, Palmers Oakey, m. 1927, in Lithgow, **Charles A Squance,** b. 1902, Lithgow, (son of William G Squance and Martha A Beever). Edith died 04-06-1973.

Children:

183.	i	Oriel Squance.	

82. **Alan Peter McKinnon** b. 02-05-1892, m. **Elsie Jensen**. Alan died 27-08-1947, Flemington.

Children:

184.	i	Valerie McKinnon	b. 19-12-1938.

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90. **Trevor Ferguson** b. 04-01-1933, Port Kembla, m. **Brenda M Miller,** b. 02-10-1942, Middlesbrough UK.

Children:

185.	i	Julie Ferguson	b. 09-12-1960.
186.	ii	Paul Ferguson	b. 07-11-1963, Sydney.

92. **Yvonne Ferguson** b. 25-06-1938, Sydney, m. **Kevin Mungovan**. Yvonne died 19-06-1982.

Children:

187.	i	Simone Mungovan	b. 08-07-1966.

95. **Mervyn Albert Ferguson** b. 30-05-1925, 22 Darcy Rd Port Kembla, m. 24-11-1951, in St Michaels Anglican Cathedral, **Nadine J Cowan,** b. 07-06-1929, Port Kembla.

Children:

188.	i	Lloyd M Ferguson	b. 29-09-1953.
189.	ii	Kris S Ferguson	b. 19-02-1960, Woolongong, m. 14-04-1985, Katoomba RC., **Marcia B Roa,** b. 04-03-1961, Santiago Chile.

96. **Leonard Ferguson** b. 22-01-1931, Surf Beach Port Kembla, m. 21-12-1951, in St Michaels Anglican Cathedral, **Agnes Mell,** b. 26-08-1929, Ridge St Nt Sydney. Leonard died 16-04-1992.

Children:

190.	i	Stephen Ferguson	b. 09-09-1955.	
191.	ii	Diane Ferguson	b. 29-10-1959,	m. **Brett Foster**.

97. **Paul Ferguson** b. 05-10-1940, Reservoir St Port Kembla, m. 30-10-1965, St Andrews Pres Woolongong, **Beatrice M Palmer,** b. 14-09-1944, Hilltop Bulli.

Children:

192.	i	Justin Ferguson	b. 25-02-1975.
193.	ii	Grant Ferguson	b. 16-02-1973.

98. **Fay Puckeridge** b. 29-06-1945, m. **Robert Ruddock**, b. 12-03-1945.

Children:

194.	i	Wendy Ruddock	b. 22-08-1963.	
195.	ii	Scott Ruddock	b. 31-12-1966,	m. **Karen Edwards**.
196.	iii	Samantha Ruddock	b. 22-12-1970.	

99. **Lance Puckeridge** b. 03-01-1938, m. **Merle E Kohn**, b. 13-08-1939.
Children:
197. i Gary Puckeridge b. 04-06-1958.
198. ii Jane Puckeridge b. 23-12-19??. m. **Malcolm Anderson**.
199. iii Karen Puckeridge b. 28-07-1959.
200. iv Lisa Puckeridge.
201. v Andrew Puckeridge.

100. **Joseph Puckeridge** b. 19-12-1931, m. **Josephine Cownley**, b. 08-07-1933.
Children:
202. i Kevin Puckeridge b. 20-11-1950, m. **Ancelina Cala?,** b. 14-02-0000.
203. ii Keith Puckeridge b. 07-05-1956.
204. iii Nola Puckeridge b. 02-04-1954, m. **Gregory Myers,** b. 11-01-0000.

102. **Maureen Stewart** b. 24-08-1939 m. **Raymond Knowles**, b. 10-02-1938.
Children:
205. i Cheryl Knowles b. 15-05-1960, m. **Michael Evans**.
206. ii Glen Knowles b. 05-08-1961, m**. Stacy Myers**, b. 18-04-1962.
207. iii Terence Knowles b. 02-12-1963, m. **Michele Haynes**.

103. **Alex James Stewart** b. 13-05-1941, m. **Pamela?**.
Children:
208. i Deborah Stewart.
209. ii John Stewart.
210. iii Christine Stewart.
211. iv Michelle Stewart.
212. v Marissa Stewart.

104. **Debra Armstrong** b. 29-05-1952, m. **Dennis Brown** b. 29-12-1949.
Children:
213. i Garth Brown b. 04-08-1977.
214. ii Courtney Brown b. 07-07-1979.

106. **Mavis Lillian Smith** b. 01-11-1912, Cobar, m. (1) 1936, in Woollahra, **Thomas Arthur Francis,** b. 1907, d. 1942Portland, buried: Portland, m. (2) 1947, in Portland, **Albert William Jeffree**, d. 1972, Portland, buried: Portland. Mavis died 09-10-2003, Unanderra, buried: Lakeside Dapto.
Children by Thomas Arthur Francis:
215. i Norman Thomas Francis b. 13-02-1937.
216. ii Gwendoline Joyce Francis b. 12-11-1938.
217. iii William James Max Francis b. 00-00-1940.

108. **Melva Smith** b. 1918, m. **Stan Twadell**.
Children:
218. i Cecil Twadell.
219. ii Beryl Twadell.
220 iii Joan Twadell.

118. **Athol Keith Smith** b. 07-07-1923, m. 1946, in Coogee, **Norma Simpson**.
Children:
221. i Janice Blanch Smith b. 06-05-1947.
222. ii Brian Keith Smith b. 29-04-1949.

119. **Iris May Smith** b. 02-04-1929, Portland, m. 25-02-1950, in Lithgow, **Bernard Thomas Collins**, d. 07-10-1975, Dark Corner. Iris died 31-08-2010, Lithgow, buried: 02-09-2010, Dark Corner.
Children:
223. i Kenneth John Collins b. 14-06-1954.
224. ii Richard Alan Collins b. 07-01-1960, Crown St Sydney.
225. iii Mark Bernard Collins b. 25-07-1962.

120. **Alan Samuel Barry** b. 02-02-1923, m. (1) **Shirley Veronica Lambert**, m. (2) **Ivy Teong**.
Children by Shirley Veronica Lambert:
226. i Margaret Maree Barry b. 04-02-1942.
227. ii Glen Samuel Barry b. 06-11-1945.

126. **Netta May Kremer** b. 18-06-19 17, Portland, m. 1940, in Portland, **Francis John Halloran**.
Children:
228. i Joy Annette Halloran b. 18-01-1942.
229. ii John Francis Halloran b. 18-08-1943.
230. iii June Elizabeth Halloran b. 28-10-1950.
231. iv Maureen Therese Halloran b. 03-10-1952.

127. **John Louis Kremer** b. 05-07-1919, m. **Stella Kathleen Mackaway**.
Children:
232. i Roy Louis Kremer.

130. **Arnold Clemence Kremer** b. 09-10-1926 , m. **Fay Kelly.**

Children:

233. i Colleen Kremer b. 00-00-1954.

131. **Betty June Kremer b**. 01-12-1928, m. **Raydon Robert Park.**

Children:

234. i Wayne Robert Park b. 07-07-1952.
235. ii Heather Joy Park b. 25-03-1954, m. **Leslie Kirk.**
236. iii Shirley June Park b. 07-06-1957, m. **Brian Dennis Taylor**.

133. **Jean Smith** b. 20-10-1917, Bathurst, m. 1936, in Bathurst, **Reginald Cupitt**, b. 14-07-1908, d. 08-09-1980, Yeoval, buried: Crem Orange. Jean died 31-08-2002, Yeoval, buried: Crem Orange.

Children:

237. i Gwenneth Lucy Elizabeth Cupitt b. 13-11-1936.
238. ii Brian Reginald Charles Cupitt b. 05-09-1938, d. 05-11-1956.
239. iii Pamela Dulcie Jean Cupitt b. 08-09-1942.
240. iv Peter James Joseph Cupitt b. 23-06-1944, d. 07-07-1967.

134. **Loma Mary Smith** b. 16-09-1919, Limekilns, m. (1) in Bathurst, **William Whittaker,** m. (2) **Cecil Bede Goodman,** b.31-10-1923,Mudgee, d. 07-04-1992, buried: Apple Tree Flat. Loma died 21-01-1976, Ilford, buried: Capertee. Cecil:Served \WW II

Children by William Whittaker:

241. i JohnAnthonyWhittaker b. 14-11-1948.

Children by Cecil Bede Goodman:

242. ii Joycelyn Edith Goodman b. 29-06-1951.
243. iii Shirley Ann Goodman b. 02-08-1952, Bathurst, m. **Mick Beasley**.

138. **Freda Elizabeth Smith** b. 08-06-1928, Bathurst, m. in Bathurst, **Henry George Cauldfield,** b. 13-12-1926.

Children:

244. i Rosemary Ellen Cauldfield b. 02-01-1955.
245. ii Deborah Gail Cauldfield b. 07-02-1959, Fairfield, m. **Henry Karbowiak**.
246. iii Janelle Freda Cauldfield b. 29-03-1960, Fairfield, m. **Roger.**

141. **Valerie Florence Smith** b. 12-02-1935, Bathurst, m. (1) **Kevin Cutts,** b. 13-01-1935, Narromine, m. (2) **Brian Webb.**

Children by Kevin Cutts:

247. i Adam Cutts.
248. ii John Cutts.
249. iii Pat Cutts.
250. iv Christine Cutts.
251. v June Cutts.
252. vi Kevin Cutts.
253. vii Graham Cutts.
254. viii Gregory Cutts.

143. **Daphne** m. **James C Howard.**

Children:

255. i Yvonne Howard.
256. ii James Howard.
257. iii Charles Howard.

144. **Zena E Whitehead** b. 1916, Molong, m. **Raymond Blondel.**

Children:

258. i Pierre Blondel.

160. **Thomas John Carter** b. 21-09-1906, m. 1928, **Nora Winifred King**, b. 11-11-1903, d. 28-11-1986. Thomas died 06-11-1979.

Children:

259. i Shirley Elaine Carter b. 15-11-1929.
260. ii Patricia Florence Carter b. 21-02-1931, m. **Fegus Lake.**
261. iii Robert Desmond Carter b. 06-03-1940.

163. **William F Montgomery** b. 20-02-1912, Sydney, m. 06-05-1942, in Dungog, **Ivy Marion Richardson**.

Children:

262. i Marea Anne Montgomery b. 14-04-1943.
263. ii Nancye Montgomery b. 05-09-1945.

164. **James Henry Montgomery** b. 10-05-1913, m. 22-12-1937, **Katherine Vidal**. James died 05-07-1972.

Children:

264. i Leong Mary Montgomery b. 19-04-1946.
265. ii James Henry Haverlock Montgomery b. 30-10-1947.

167. **Walter Ernest Montgomery** b. 01-05-1922, m. 18-10-1947, in Lidcombe, **Lola Elizabeth Norster**.

Children:

266. i Dianne Carol Montgomery b. 23-04-1949.
267. ii Paul Robert Montgomery b. 04-11-1953.

168. **Gloria Margaret Montgomery** b. 17-03-1925, m. 16-12-1944, **Henry Wardrope**.
Children:
268. i David Wardrope b. 19-12-1946.

171. **Ruth Ferguson** b. 06-08-1927, m. **Arthur Agar Hansard**, b. 13-06-1918, occ Painter.
Children:
269. i Margaret Hansard b. 09-07-1953.
270. ii Graham Charles Hansard b. 25-10-1955.
271. iii Kenneth Arthur Hansard b. 01-04-1958.
272. iv Allan William Hansard b. 20-01-1962.

172. **Kathleen Ferguson** b. 20-11-1932, m. **Ray Gumbleton**.
Children:
273. i David John Gumbleton.

173. **John Ferguson** b. 25-01-1946, Bathurst, m. (1) **Robyn**, m. (2) **Dorothy.**
Children by Robyn:
274. I Peter Ferguson b. 12-05-1971.
275. ii Kevin Ferguson b. 12-05-1976.
Children by Dorothy:
276. iii Catherene Ferguson b. 26-08-1980.
277. iv Joshua Donald Thomas Ferguson b. 07-09-1984.
278. v Sarah Elizabeth Ferguson b. 29-11-1986.

174. **Colin Latham Ferguson** b. 12-09-1936, Bathurst, Grazier, m. 29-01-1966, in Kelso, **Joy Patricia Silva,** b.29-03-1943,
Children:
406**.** i Louis Alan de Silva b. 08-07-1962 m **Penolope Starr**.b.21-01-1959
279. ii Duncan Latham Ferguson b. 10-05-1967.
280. iii Sarah Jane Ferguson b. 25-02-1969.
281. iv James Stuart Ferguson b. 19-02-1971.

175. **Edward Alfred Ferguson** b. 23-03-1924, m. **Margaret Elizabeth**, b. 14-05-1937.
Children:
282. i Michelle Ferguson b. 04-10-1968.

176. **Yvonne Edna Ferguson** b. 16-06-1926, m. 10-09-1949 **Alex Bush**, d. 17-07-1 997.
Children:
283. i Nicole Bush b. 00-00-1953.
284. ii Glenn Bush b. 02-10-1955.

178. **Audrey Ismay Ferguson** b. 06-01-1927, m. **Jessie Joseph Griffiths**.
Children:
285. i Joanne Griffiths b. 16-08-1954.
286. ii Donna Griffiths b. 15-10-1960.
287. iii David Roy Griffiths b. 00-00-1948, d. 1952.

179. **Roy Joshua Ismay Ferguson** b. 29-01-1933 m. **Ruth Margaret Johnson**, b. 27-06-1934.
Children:
288. i Robyn Jane Ferguson b. 01-07-1956.
289. ii Susan Joy Ferguson b. 10-04-1964.
290. iii Kathryn Heather Ferguson b. 23-04-1969.

181. **Sheila Josephine Ferguson** b. 1934, m. **Frederick Wilhian Mullens**, b. 1930. Sheila died 19-10-2007.
Children:
291. I Sheila Anne Mullens b. 00-00-1954.
292. ii Jennifer Mae Mullens b. 12-12-1956.
293. iii Michael Frederick Mullens b. 28-08-1958.
294. iv Christopher John Mullens b. 00-00-1961.
295. v Linden Mary Mullens b. 08-05-1963.

182. **Ron Richard Ferguson** b. 1937, m. **Gwen Chandler**.
Children:
296. i Lisa Ferguson b. 00-00-1960.
297. ii Scot Ferguson b. 00-00-1962.

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185. **Julie Ferguson** b. 09-12-1960, Sydney, m . **Oscar Fistar.**
Children:
298. i Bianca Fistar b. 30-12-1979, Sydney.
299. ii Tyrone Anthony Fistar b. 29-04-1987, Sydney.

187. **Simone Mungovan** b. 08-07-1966, Sydney, m. **Rob Thompson**.
Children:
300. i Daniel Thompson b. 06-01-1990, Sydney.
301. ii Holly Thompson b. 21-10-1992, Sydney.

188. **Lloyd M Ferguson** b. 29-09-1953, Woolongong, m. 23-01-1982, in Bundanoon, **Susan J Shephard**, b. 29-03-1953, Butleigh Somerset England.
Children:
302. i Owen Ferguson b. 30-11-1983.
303. ii Kel Ferguson b. 21-10-1986.

194. **Wendy Ruddock** b. 22-08-1963, m. **Mathew Green**.
Children:
304. i Lauren Green b. 05-01-1986.
305. ii Daniel Green b. 03-02-1988.
306. iii Mitchell Green b. 13-07-1989.
307. iv AdamGreen b. 14-01-1991.

197. **Gary Puckeridge** b. 04-06-1958, m. **Margaret Knight.**
Children:
308. i Kylie Puckeridge.
309. ii Lee Puckeridge.

200. **Lisa Puckeridge** m. **Ian Richardson**.
Children:
310. i Holly Richardson.
311. ii Hanna Richardson.
312. iii Tayloy Richardson.

203. **Keith Puckeridge** b. 07-05-1956, m. **Sharorn James**, b. 21-08-0000.
Children:
313. i John James Puckeridge b. 25-08-1985.

215. **Norman Thomas Francis** b. 13-02-1937, Portland, m. 21-11-1959, in St Michaels Wollongong, **Frances Paul**. Norman died 15-02-2004, Berkley, buried: Crem Wollongong.
Children:
314. i Tom Francis b. 00-00-1960, m. **Liane.**
315. ii Sue Francis b. 00-00-1962, m. **Ken.**
316. iii Garry Francis b. 00-00-1969, m. **Karen.**

216. **Gwendoline Joyce Francis** b. 12-11-1938,... 30 Wolgan St Portland, m. (1) 27-12-1958, in Presbyterian Wollongong, **Vincent Davies**, b. 16-10-1935, m. (2) 14-04-1990, **Terence John Sheldon**, b. 18-02-1940, Nottingham UK.
Children by Vincent Davies.'
317. i Peter Wayne Davies b. 20-10-1959.
318. ii Steven John Davies b. 06-03-1961, m. 24-05-1992, **Rhonda Purcell.**
319. iii Karen Marina Davies b. 07-10-1964, m. 16-09-1989, **David Forrester**.

217. **William James Max Francis** b. 1940, m. **Janice Strachan**.
Children:
320. i Wendy Francis b. 00-00-1969.
321. ii Douglas Francis b. 00-00-1971.

221. **Janice Blanch Smith** b. 06-05-1947, Lithgow, m. 1965, in Lithgow RC, **Kevin Morris**.
Children:
322. i Cherie Morris b. 27-01-1966, Lithgow, m. 1989, Lithgow RC, **Brett Palmer.**
323. ii David Morris b. 06-03-1971, Lithgow.

222. **Brian Keith Smith** b. 29-04-1949, Lithgow, m. in Wallerawang, **Jenny Harris**.
Children:
324. i Jillian Lee Smith b. 16-07-1981, Lithgow.
325. ii Alanna Joy Smith b. 02-05-1984, Lithgow.
326. iii Jessica Eve Smith b. 27-11-1985, Lithgow.

223. **Kenneth John Collins** b. 14-06-1954, Crown St Sydney, m. 1976, in Sydney, **Pauline Barton**.
Children:
327. i Julia Collins b. 19-02-1981, Crown St Sydney.
328. ii Belinda Collins b. 29-04-1982. Crown St Sydney.

225. Mark Bernard Collins b. 25-07-1962, Crown St Sydney, m. **Lee Hazel Clark.**
Children:
329. i Thomas Mark Collins b. 22-11-2002.

226. **Margaret Maree Barry** b. 04-02-1942, m. 14-10-1961, **Austin Robert Millott,** b. 01-04-1939.
Children:
330. i Julie Maree Milloft b. 08-02-1966, m. 05-05-1990, **Noel Whiteman**, b. 01-11-1962.

331. ii Michael Glenn Millott b. 19-04-1968.
332. iii Rodney Alan Millott b. 26-04-1971.
333. iv Deborah Jane Millott b. 08-01-1974.

227. **Glen Samuel Barry** b. 06-11-1945, m. **Lynette Barbara Fitzgerald**, b. 03-09-1947.
Children:
334. i Todd Samuel Barry b. 10-01-1975.
335. ii Drew Norman Barry b. 19-05-1978.
336. iii Sasha Barbara Barry b. 21-09-1981.

229. **John Francis Halloran** b. 18-08-1943, m. **Suzanne Joyce Champion**, b. 21-03-1945.
Children:
337. i Nicole Suzanne Halloran b. 06-08-1972.
338. ii Benjamin John Halloran b. 17-09-1988.

230. **June Elizabeth Halloran** b. 28-10-1950, m **Arthur Bruce Rogers**.
Children:
339. i Kathryn Anne Rogers b. 12-04-1977.
340. ii Philip Rogers b. 22-05-1979.
341. iii Timothy Rogers b. 06-10-1985.

231. Maureen Therese Halloran b. 03-10-1952, m. **Ivan Fidanza**.
Children:
342. i Adam Fidanza b. 01-02-1984.
343. ii Ethena Fidanza b. 01-02-1984.
344. iii Jacinta Fidanza b. 25-06-1988.

234. **Wayne Robert Park** b. 07-07-1952, m. **Wendy Elizabeth Williams**.
Children:
345. i Haley Park b. 31-08-1981.
346. ii Hayden Robert Park b. 03-10-1986.
347. iii Alistair Ryan Park b. 09-09-1988.
348. iv Ashley Park.

237. **Gwenneth Lucy Elizabeth Cupitt** b. 13-11-1936, m. 02-01-1958, **Ross Allan Corby**, b. 15-01-1938.
Children:
349. I Lynnette Jean Corby b. 26-07-1959, m. 05-06-1982, **Roger John Kershaw,** b. 09-10-1959.
350. ii Gwenneth Maree Corby b. 28-05-1961, m. 15-11-1986, **John Michael Kirby**, b. 25-07-1960.
351. iii Clinton Ross Corby b. 03-10-1969, m. (1) 08-06-1991, **Bronwyn Ann Griffin**- b.06-04-19?? , m. (2) **Raelene Angela Therese Evans.**
352. iv Melita Anne Corby b. 03-10-1974, m. 06-01-1996, **George Robert Braun,** b. 17-10-1954.

239. **Pamela Dulcie Jean Cupitt** b. 08-09-1942 , m. 14-04-1962, **Brian Edward Tinker**, b. 19-05-1938.
Children:
353. i Warren Edward Tinker b. 15-06-1965, m. 30-03-1991, **Susan Perie,** b. 08-11-1959.
354. ii Richard Edward Tinker b. 25-06-1967.
355. iii Peter Edward Tinker b. 17-10-1970, m**. Kiralee Purcaville**.

241. **John Anthony Whittaker** b. 14-11-1948, Bathurst, m. **Sonya Mc Cann**.
Children:
356. i Kerry Whittaker.
357. ii Richard Whittaker.
358. iii Phillip Whittaker.

242. **Joycelyn Edith Goodman** b. 29-06-1951, Bathurst, m. **Les Kirk**.
Children:
359. i Donna Lee Kirk b. 28-10-1967, m. **Mark Lilley**.

244. **Rosemary Ellen Cauldfield** b. 02-01-1955, Sydney, m. **David Humbley**.
Children:
360. i Dustin Humbley.
361 ii Matthew Humbley.
362. iii Dale Humbley.

259. **Shirley Elaine Carter** b. 15-11-1929, m. **Yates Richardson**. Shirley died 01-02-1985.
Children:
363. i Desmond Richardson b. 06-07-1953, m. **Kerrie.**
364. ii Kerry Richardson b. 06-07-1953, m. **Bonnie.**
365. iii Peter Jon Richardson b. 20-09-1960, m. **Sue.**

261. **Robert Desmond Carter** b. 06-03-1940, m**.** **Kerry Simpson,** b. 04-10-1943**.**

Children:

366. i Alanna Clare Carter b. 11-01-1969.
367. ii Erin Meredith Carter b. 18-05-1971.
368. iii Shauna Kathleen Carter b. 10-06-1974.

262. **Marea Anne Montgomery** b. 14-04-1943, Cowra, m. 21-07-1961, **Neville Henderson.**

Children:

369. i Peta Maree Henderson b. 01-02-1962, m. 12-11-1983, **Bruce Chapman Whiley**.
370. ii Donnamarea Henderson b. 30-01-1966.

263. **Nancye Montgomery** b. 05-09-1945, Cowra, m. (1) 20-11-1964, **Jon DeWaard**, m. (2) 12-02-1972, **Gary McGrath**.

Children by Gary McGrath:

371. i Leanne Jody McGrath b. 04-06-1965.
372. ii Ronald Garry McGrath b. 17-01-1973.

264. **Leong Mary Montgomery** b. 19-04-1946, Paddington, m. 11-07-1970, **Robert C Lammeree**.

Children:

373. i Robert James Lammeree b. 11-06-1977.
374. ii Antonmartien Lammeree b. 13-07-1981.

265. **James Henry Haverlock Montgomery** b. 30-10-1947, Wingham, m. **Mette Lai Pederson**.

Children:

375. i Karen Lai Montgomery b. 10-10-1983.

266. **Dianne Carol Montgomery** b. 23-04-1949, m. 26-08-1967, **Ken Gibson**.

Children:

376. i Natasha Gibson b. 09-06-1971.
377. ii Dwayne Gibson b. 12-05-1978.
378. iii Adam Gibson b. 20-08-1980. Twin to Aaron
379. iv Aaron Gibson b. 20-08-1980. Twin to Adam

267. **Paul Robert Montgomery** b. 04-11-1953, m. 22-12-1973**,** **Eileen Jones**.

Children:

380. i Charleen Montgomery b. 29-051977.
381. ii Tania Montgomery b. 15-02-1979.
382. iii Jeremy Lee Montgomery b. 12-08-1980.

268. **David Wardrope** b. 19-12-1946, m. **Gail Hamilton**.

Children:

383. i Narelle Donna Wardrope b. 25-03-1967.
384. ii Darren John Wardrope b. 25-09-1968.

269. **Margaret Hansard** b. 09-07-1953, m. **Barry John Baker**, b. 07-05-1954.

Children:

385. i Michelle Anna Baker b. 27-12-1973, m. **Fred.**
386. ii Andrew Kenneth Baker b. 08-04-1976, m. **Meshelle.**

273. **David John Gumbleton** m. **Lynn.**

Children:

387. i Amy Cathleen Gumbleton.

406. **Louis Alan de Silva** b. 08-07-1962 Sydney m **Penolope Starr**.b.21-01-1959

Children:

407 i Zachary de Silva-Starr b. 12-05-1994 Sydney

279. **Duncan Latham Ferguson** b. 10-05-1967, Sydney, Contractor/Grazier, m. 11-03-1989, in Kelso, **Christine Joan Wilkinson,** b. 23-07-1967, Teacher/Grazier. **Christine: See Wilkinson Tree**

Children:

388. i Matilda Therese Ferguson b. 12-01-1991, Bathurst.
389. ii Will Ferguson b. 28-02-1996, Bathurst.

280. **Sarah Jane Ferguson** b. 25-02-1969, Bathurst, Doctor, m. 21-10-1995, Palmers Oakey, **Malcolm James Walklet Robinson,** b. 16-11-1966, Hydrographer.

Children:

390. i Griffin James Latham Robinson b. 16-05-2003, Orange.
391. ii Heath Joseph Arnold Robinson b. 30-09-2005, Orange.

281. **James Stuart Ferguson** b. 19-02-1971, Bathurst, Contractor/Farmer!, m. 30-04-1994, in Bathurst, **Leanne Morris,** b. 05-05-1971, Bathurst, Vet Assistant/Teacher.

Children:

392. i Stephanie Ferguson b. 26-07-1998, Orange.
393. ii Claire Louise Ferguson b. 30-06-2003, Orange.

282. **Michelle Ferguson** b. 04-10-1968, m. **John Lane**, b. 20-02-1964.
Children:
394. i Matthew Lane b. 11-12-1995.
395. ii Dylan Lane b. 03-08-1998.

286. **Donna Griffiths** b. 15-10-1 960, m. **Aldo.**
Children:
396. i Sebastin Lewis.
397. ii Olivia b. 00-00-1995.

288. **Robyn Jane Ferguson** b. 01-07-1956, m. **lan Douglas Hunt**, b. 12-06-1954.
Children:
398. i Renee Natalie Hunt b. 19-06-1980, Newcastle.
399. ii Rachel Haley Hunt b. 03-04-1983, Camden.
400. iii Eliza Jane Hunt b. 23-08-1988, Camden.

289. **Susan Joy Ferguson** b. 10-04-1964, m. (1) 15-09-1 984, in Camden, **Colin Edmond Kinslea,**
m. (2) 18-04-1998, in Richmond, **Barry Colin Moore**, b. 02-04-195?.

Children by Colin Edmond Kinslea:
401. i Joshua Edmond Kinsela b. 19-01-1988, Camden.

290. **Kathryn Heather Ferguson** b. 23-04-1969, m. (1) **Craig Joseph Debono,** b. 16-07-1969, m. (2) **Tim McClelland.**
Children by Tim McClelland:
402. i Olivia Kate McClelland b. 05-10-2005.

292. **Jennifer Mae Mullens** b. 12-12-1956, m. **Brian Allen Gerard**.
Children:
403. i Nadina Mae Gerard b. 00-00-1977.
404. ii Sarah Jay Gerard b. 00-00-1979.
405. iii Alica Kate Gerard



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DUNCAN, EWEN McCOLL, BILL SMITH, LEN, JANE, ALICE.



FOX.

John Michael and his wife Bridget lived on Portion 17 Turon (on Turon river 1 ½ K upstream from junction with Palmers Oakey creek & is still known as Fox's flat, (it was sold by Kenneth McLeod 28-10-1870) where they raised 7 children, but only 1 attended Upper Turon School

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John died 1866 and Bridget Married (1873) the local store keeper Julius Wannick

From The History of Palmers Oakey

7-11-1858 Palmers Oakey, James Dyson (bachelor) of Palmers Oakey married Mary Henley (widow) Celebrant was Rev. Henry Palmer C of E Minister of Sofala. Witnesses were **Michael Fox** & Bridget Morcan.

26-02-1859 From the Bathurst Free Press. " £10 Reward. Stolen from Palmers Oakey, Turon River, a black or very dark brown horse, 5 years old, near 15 hands high, brand I+G on near shoulder, off hind fetlock white, star on forehead. Ten Pounds reward is offered for recovery of the horse and conviction of the thief or thieves. Apply to, **Michael Fox** at Mr.Wm. Harveys Palmers Oakey, Turon River

00-00-1871 Julius Wannick married **Bridget Fox** at Upper Turon

1875/76 Palmers Oakey Post Office **Fox John** miner,

24-04-1884 **Michael Fox** was charged with stealing money from his employer at Palmer's Oakey, but owing to the want of evidence the prosecution was abandoned, and the prisoner was acquitted.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL RECORDS

DATE	NAME	AGE	REL	PARENT	OF	OCCU	CLASS	REASON LEAVING
24-7-76	Michael Fox	9	RC	Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeeper	2nd- 7/76	6-10-76
9-7-77	Michael Fox	10	RC	JuliusWannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeeper	1st 7/77	22-?-77 Bathurst
3-8-80	Michael Fox	13	RC	Julius Wannick	Upper Turon	Storekeeper	2nd 8/80	Wanted at home

FRANKS.

Charles Franks was born in England and married **Martha Steel** 1849 in England. They arrived in Australia per the "*Trafalager*" on the 22-2-1853 with 3 children & a daughter was born in Australia.

First record in this area is 12-8-1872 when their first son Charles Francis married Anne Newton in Palmers Oakey. He ran several hotels in Palmers Oakey, Bathurst, and Parramatta.
The second son John Thomas was a store keeper in Palmers Oakey married a local girl Annie Australia Stevenson and raised 9 children.
There was ill feelings between the boys John & Charles. There was always arguments and at times court cases.
Third child Eliza Jane married local lad Henry Theobald Snr and raised 17 children.(**See Theobald Tree)**

Franks and descendants lived here and adjoining areas and the last left here in early 1950

The following from The History of Palmers Oakey

04-01-1868 Henry Theobald gold digger of Palmers Oakey (bachelor) married **Eliza Jane Franks** of Palmers Oakey (spinster) minister Colin Stewart (Pres) witnesses Peter Theobald & Jane Virginia Ferguson

1870/71 Electoral Roll
Franks Charles F Palmers Oakey
Franks Charles Palmers Oakey

12-08-1872 Charles Francis Franks married Anne Newton at Palmers Oakey

1872 Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office C Franks 1

1872 Palmers Oakey Post Office records
FRANKS Charles squatter Palmer's Oakey
FRANKS Charles jun. Miner Palmer's Oakey
FRANKS Thomas T. miner Palmer's Oakey

1872 QUARTZ MINING LEASES.

23-09-1872 Theobald & Franks Tobins Oakey 4 acres

1875 Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office Mrs A Franks 1.

1875 Electoral Roll Franks Charles squatter, Franks Charles jr miner, Franks Thomas miner,

1875/76 UPPER TURON POST OFFICE
Franks John Thomas miner Tobins Oakey
Franks Charles squatter,
Franks Charles F storekeeper

1876 Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office C Franks 2.

1880 Common declared that **Charles Franks'** fatt(sic) sheep branded T under No are allowed by common rules.

1882 Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Thomas Franks 2.

20-01-1883 General meeting of Commoners to elect 5 trustees for ensuing 3 years. David D Munro, Daniel Hopkins, Michael McDonnell, Peter McKinnon, elected and also approved of, also **John Thomas Franks** proposed D Hopkins John A McKinnon.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	**Admit**	**Pupils Name**	**Age**	**Relig**	**Fee**	**Parent**	**Residence**	**Occupation**	**Class-**	**date**	**Reason for Leaving**
?-11-83	?????		14	EC	/3	F Franks	Palmers Oakey	Farmer	2nd	11/83	Left district

21-12-1884 Rachel Franks born (married 11 -06-1911)

1885 Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office G Franks, Chas Franks,

09-01-1886 Special common meeting held to elect trustees for ensuing 3 years. John Joseph Martin by J Dunkel and E Phillips. Alexander McIntyre by J Martin and M McDonnell. **John Thomas Franks** by J Martin and George McLeod. William Tacke by F H Buckerfield and G Simpson. Michael McDonnell by E O'Farrell and W Simpson. J J Martin was chairman.

10-11-1886 Alice Ann Franks born. (married 02-01-1907)

1886 Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post J Franks 3.

30-12-1887 An advertised public meeting was held at Palmers Oakey Creek at **Charles Franks** to revise the Commoners Roll of the Palmers Oakey Common. Resolved to strike off Roll the names of Joseph Browning and William Lewis. Resolved to

	grant common rights to Henry Theobald Jnr., James Lynch and John O'Farrell resident miners of Upper Turon and Palmers Oakey Creek respectiviey. John J Martin Chairman, J Dunkel Sec.
14-01-1888	Public meeting at **Charles Franks.** Balance sheet of Palmers Oakey Common presented and adopted. Proposed to pay Common Sec £2-0-0 per year and to pay the Trustees 7/- a day in case anyone of them have to go to Sofala on Business connected with the common. Michael McDonnell chairman.
20-08-1888	Henry Charles Franks born. (married 1 12-1917)
24-12-1888	Public meeting on Palmers Oakey Creek to revise common roll. Resolved to strike off the names of Archibald McKnnon, John Sullivan, and put in the names of Julius Wannick and **Charles F Franks.** J J Martin chairman J Dunkel Sec
12-01-1889	Public meeting held according to advertisement to elect trustees for the Common for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected. Manuel Lewis proposed by Patrick Lynch, seconded by James J Martin. Thomas Lynch proposed by J Dunkel, seconder by Manuel Lewis. John J Martin proposed by James Martin, seconded by J Dunkel. **John Thomas Franks** proposed by Jeremiah O'Farrell, seconded by John McDonnell. Jacob Dunkel proposed by James Lynch, seconded by F H Buckerfield. John Joseph Martin chairman. J Dunkel Sec
1889	Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post H M Franks 1.
09-01-1890	Charles Franks died at Upper Turon, buried at Palmers Oakey.
01-02-1890	Common trustees meeting at which a new set of rules were considered, debated and finally adopted by the trustees present, Thomas Lynch, William Lewis, **John Thomas Franks,** John Joseph Martin, Jacob Dunkel Chairman and Sec
27-02-1890	A special meeting of common trustees to consider an application from **Charles F Franks** to depasture about 30 sheep in a paddock fore slaughtering purposes, the said application was refused. Trustees present, Manuel Lewis, Thomas Lynch, John J Martin, Jacob Dunkel chairman and sec
19-06-1890	**John Thomas Franks** applied for Portion 7 Turon. The improvements on it were valued at: Cottage £35. Kitchen £15. Store £25. Forge £2. Stable £3. Slaughter house £1. 3, Sheds £2,. Paling Fence £4. 2 Rail Fence £3. Clearing £8.
21-11-1890	Arthur Thomas Franks born. (never married)
15-08-1891	Meeting of trustees was held at J Dunkels where orders were given to impound all Stray Stock trespassing on the common, Also proposed not to allow any more common rights until after six months residents. carried by mutual consent. Present John J Martin, Thomas Lynch, **John Th Franks**, J Dunkel Chairman and Sec.
31.10.1891	A special common trustees meeting to consider complaints laid by **C F Franks**, first in respect to a certain Bull not being fit to roam at large, the trustees think they have no power to order any commoner to do away with any such cattle except diseased, no matter what breed or what like. Second complaint re pigs. The trustees are of the oppion that you have the remedy in your own hands. Third complaint. In respect to a road to your slaughtering yard, the trustees are of the oppioian as your father used the road you have gott you ought to be satisfied with the same road also. Signed on behalf of the trustees by Jacob Dunkel Chairman.
24-12-1891	A Advertised public meeting was held at Jacob Dunkels place at Palmers Oakey on the 24 day of Dec. at 6 PM fore the revision of the common roll of the Palmers Oakey temp. common when the following names wore struck off the Roll. Peter McKinnon and W Kennedy and two applications fore common rights were granted. Namely **Martha Franks,** Edward O'Farrell. Jacob Dunkel Chairman & Sec.
1891	Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post T Franks,
1892	Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post A Franks 4. C D Franks, , E R Franks,
03-01-1893	Olive May Franks born (married Henry Theobald Jr.18-09-1911)
23-09-1893	A special trustees meeting to concider a proposal made by John J Martin to the trustees, as the proposal could not be entertained, the meeting was posponed to the 7-10-83. Also common rights were granted to Duncan Ferguson Senr. And **Francis N Franks** both of Palmers Oakey. J Dunkel chairman.
1893	Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Mrs J J Franks,F N Franks, Ida Franks, Hanna Franks, C D Franks
27-03-1895	Henry John Hayes married Florence Mary Franks at her fathers house at Palmers Oakey.
11-10-1895	Ethel Endor Franks born
1895	Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post J Franks
04-01-1896	Common trustees meeting at J Dunkels. It was resolved to let Mr J Tyrrells stock depasture free of charge on Palmers Oakey common for 1894 and future years , also that **J H Franks** and George McLeod to have their stock free on the common on account of their leased land adjoining the common and of which land the common stock will have the benifit and there is to be no impounding on either side and the amount so lost will be respectivly as follows; J Tyrrell 2/- **J H Franks 18/-** George,McLeod 13/- Total £1-13-0 which sum will have to be deducted from the accounts as made up on 31-12-95. J Dunkel chairman.
1896	Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office C Franks, J Franks, Hanna Franks,
1897 .	Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell
1897	Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office Hannah Franks, R Franks, Ida Franks
08-01-1898	An advertised Public Meeting was held at Jacob Dunkels place on Palmers Oakey Creek to elect Trustees for the Palmers Oakey Common. The following gentlemen were duly elected, Jacob Dunkel, Jeremiah James O'Farrell, Henry Theobald Jnr, **Francis Newton Franks,** James Hyde. J. Dunkel chairman and Sec.
08-10-1898	An advertised public meeting was held at Palmers Oakey to elect two Trustees in the place of Jacob Dunkel and **Francis N Franks** who have resigned, when the following gentlemen were duly elected, Michael McDonnell proposed by Francis Hyde seconded by John O'Farrell carried. Peter Munro proposed D Ferguson seconded by Henry Theobald Jr. carried. Jacob Dunkel chairman of the meeting John O'Farrell secretary.
22-2-1899	David Dewar Munro applied for portion 27 Dulabree and **Francis Newton Franks** for portion 28, the values being Barn £5. Sheds £3. Hut £4. Blacksmiths Shop £3. Buggy Shed £2. Powder Store £3. Stable £4. Slaughter House and Yards £15. Fencing 6 chains of 1 rail 5 wire and nett. 12 chains 6 wire and nett. 12 chains pailings in twisted wire. 5 chains 3 rail and nett. 5 chain 3 rail.
1899	Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office C D Franks, Francis Franks, Clara Franks

COMMON ROLL

1899	Charles F Franks	Resident Miner	
	F N Franks	""	
	J Th Franks	Resident Miner	
	Charles D Franks	"'	
	Martha. Franks	Palmers Oakey	Resident
20-11-1900	William Robert Stevenson Franks born		

1900 Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office Grace Franks 6, Francis Franks,

13-04-1901 A trustees quartely meeting was held on this date at which the undermentioned common rights was granted **Ida, Franks,** Mrs John A McKinnon, William Theobald, and it was decided to call tenders for the covering of all holes along both sides of the Palmers Oakey Creek. D D Munro chairman.

24-04-1901 Trustees of Palmers Oakey Union Church purchased at auction in Bathurst portion 16 Dulabree for Church site.Trustees being David Munro. Charles Ferguson, William Lewis, Frank Hyde, **John Thomas Franks,** Duncan McKinnon, William Tacke.

27-08-1901 Record of D Fergusons expenses 1901.
C F Franks for goods £1-00-00

1901 Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office G Franks, J A Franks, Henry Franks, Harold Franks, Clara Franks,.

10-12-1902 James Roy Franks born (married ? 12-04-1930)

1901 Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office Grace Franks, Harold Franks, Franks,F Franks, Clara Franks,

COMMON ROLL

1901/02	Charles F Franks	Resident Miner
	F N Franks	Miner
	J T Franks	Storekeeper
	Charles F Franks	Storekeeper
	Martha Franks	Resident
	Ida Franks	Resident

21-06-1903 A quartley meeting was held on this date and it was resolved to give notice to Jacob Dunkel, John Wilkinson, and **G T Franks** that if they did not apply for a timber licence from the trustees they would be summoned according to the rules and regulations. Also orders were given to the secretary to issue notices that all stock must be given in and paid for on or before the first day of July 1903 with brands and descriptions of stock for the half year ending 31-12-03. Present at the meeting Daniel Hopkins chairman, John Wilkinson, Alf Wilkinson Jnr, Walter Theobald.

1903 Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office J A Franks, Grace Franks.

COMMON ROLL

1903	Charles F Franks	Storekeeper
	J T Franks	Resident Miner
	Rachial Franks	Resident

ELECTROAL ROLL

1903

31 Franks	Annie	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
32 Franks	Annie Australia	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
33 Franks	Charles Francis	M	Palmers Oakey	Publican
34 Franks	John Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

20-11-1904 Dr Howard presented on behalf of the Palmers Oakey Sunday School a book for regular attandance, good conduct and lessons. Senior boys prize to **Arthur Franks.**

COMMON ROLL

1905/06	J T Franks	Storekeeper
	Rachial Frank	

SHOP AT PALMERS OAKEY 1906

Dr To T Franks.

April	3	1 Bot of pills	1-1
	4	1 Bar of soap	9d
	12	2 Tins of sardines	8d
	12	1 Tin of salmon	11d
	12	1 Tin of herrings	3d
	13	1 tin of pepper	3d
	23	4 lbs of steak @ 4 ½	1-6
	24	5 3/4lbs corn beef @ 4	1-1
	29	7 lbs roast @ 4 ½	2-7 ½
May	3	6 lbs salt @4	2-0
	7	1 bot of pills	1-1
	9	2 lbs nails	9d
	13	8 lbs salt @ 4	2-8
	13	2 lbs steak @4 ½	9

			17-5 ½
Oct	4	4 lbs chops	7d
	14	1 1/2 tea	1-0
	21	20 1/2 lbs beef	7-7
		2 tins salmon	1-0
		12 lbs sugar	3-0
			£1-10-0 ½

ELECTROL ROLL

1906 Franks	Annie Australia	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
Franks	John Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

1907 , Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office R Franks,

COMMON ROLL

1908	J T Franks	Storekeeper
	Rachial Franks	Resident

ELECTORAL ROLL

1908	Franks	Annie Australia	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
	Franks	John Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
	Franks	Rachael	F	Palmers Oakey	HD

Bathurst Land Board.

01-12-1910	OCP 10/120	170 acres J T Franks
	OCP 10/51	500 acres J T Franks
1910 ,	Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office J T Franks, Mrs J Franks, R Franks.	
1911	Registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office Mrs J Franks R Franks.	
30-03-1912	Palmers Oakey Sunday School presented **Robert Franks** with a book for regular attendance, good conduct and lessons senior class boys.	
09-10-1914	Mrs J Franks	to E Webb & Co Bathurst (letter sent from PO)10-10-14

1918 Rural Lands Protection Board Records.

NAME	AREA	HORSES	CATTLE	SHEEP	ACRES
J T Franks	U TURON	11	20	136	688

03-05-1927	Charles Francis Franks died at Parramatta.
31-03-1931	Anne Franks (nee Newton) died at Sans Souci.
06-08-1950	Bob Franks died.
08-08-1950	Bob Franks funeral.
20-07-1963	Arthur Franks buried
29-06-1974	Mrs 0 M Theobald (nee Franks) died.
25-10-1992	Franks-Theobald reunion at “Martins” Palmers Oakey

COMMON RECORDS

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1880	Charles Franks	2	9
	John Thomas Franks	2	
1881	Charles Franks	1	7
	Thomas Franks	3	
1882	Charles Franks	2	6
	Charles Franks	2	6
1883	John Thomas Franks	2	
1884	J Thomas Franks 3	3	
	Charles Franks	1	3
1885	John A Franks	4	7
	Charles Franks	1	6
1886	J T Franks	4	3
	Charles Franks	2	6
	John Thomas Franks	1	
	Charles Franks	1	
1887	Charles Franks	2	12
	John T Franks	3	8
1888	Charles Franks	2	11
	John J Franks	4	8
1889	John H Franks	5	12
	Charles Franks	2	12
1890	Charles Franks	3	16
	John T Franks	8	13
1891	C F Franks	5	15
	John J Franks	9	14
1892	Charles Franks	6	16
	Martha Franks	2	
	John Franks	7	16
1893	John Th Franks	8	17
1893	C F Franks	6	16
	Martha Franks	1	
1894	Francis N Franks	3	16
1894	Charles F Frank	4	13
	Michael McDonnell	6	15
	James McDonnell	9	8
	John Th Franks	8	20
1895	C F Franks	4	21
	F N Franks	5	8
	John T Franks	7	15
1896	Charles F Frank	8	8
	F N Franks	3	12
	J Th Franks	8	15
1897	Charles F Franks	3	
	F N Franks	3	
	J Th Franks	8	11
1898	Charles F Franks	4	14
	F N Franks	1	
	J Th Franks	9	4
	Charles D Franks	1	

1999	Charles F Franks	8	8	
	F N Franks	1		
	J Th Franks	8	8	
	Charles D Franks	1		
1900	Charles F Franks	1		
	F N Franks	1	2	
	J T Franks	7	4	3 goats
1901	Charles F Franks	2		
	F N Franks	1	1	
	J T Franks	7	6	
1902	Charles F Franks	4	2	
	J T Franks	4	7	
	Ida Franks	2	3	
1903	J Ida Franks	1		
	John T Franks	7		
	T Franks	7	6	
	C F Franks	5	1	
1904	J T Franks	5	8	
1905	Rachel Franks	1	3	
1906	Rachel Franks	1		
	J T Franks	2	9	
1907	Rachal Franks		2	
	J T Franks		9	
	Rachel Franks	2	4	
1908	Rachel Franks	2	4	
	J T Franks	1	8	
1909	J T Franks	1	6	
	R Franks	2		

FRANKS

1. **Charles Franks** b. England, m. 1849, in England, **Martha Steel**, d.1906, br; Palmers Oakey. Charles died 09-01-1890, Upper Turon, br; Palmers Oakey. Father James. Arrived Aust. 22-02-1853 per "*Trafalager*" Martha: Father Thomas Mother Rachel

Children:

2.	i	Charles Francis Franks.	
3.	ii	John Thomas Franks	b. 21-02-1851.
4.	iii	Eliza Jane Franks	b. 00-00-1852.
5.	iv	Rodha A Franks	b. 00-00-1858.

Second Generation

2. **Charles Francis Franks** b. England, 0cc; Hotel/Store Keeper, m. 12-08-1872, in Palmers Oakey, **Anne Newton**, b. 08-02-1851, Victoria, d. 31-03-1931, Sans Souci. Charles died 03-05-1927, Parramatta. 1905 had the Hotel at Palmers Oakey. 1906/7 had a Hotel at Parramatta 1876 had the Union Hotel in George St Bathurst. 1877 the Royal Oak in Bathurst

Children:

6.	i	Florence Mary Franks	b. 12-11-1878.
7.	ii	Edith Rose Franks.	
	iii	Hilda Maude Franks	d. 1894.

3. **John Thomas Franks** b. 21-02-1851, Bath England, 0cc; Store Keeper, m. 08-02-1882, in Bathurst All Saints Cathedral, **Annie Australia Stevenson,** b. 09-01-1 860, Bathurst, (daughter of Henry Stevenson and Frances Haines) d. 28-11-1928, br; Round Swamp. John died 09-05-1925, br; Round Swamp. **Annie: See Stevenson Tree**

Children:

8.	i	Frances Eliza Franks	b. 16-01-1883.
9.	ii	RachelFranks	b. 21-12.1884
10.	iii	Alice Ann Franks	b. 10-11-1886.
11.	iv	Henry Charles Franks	b. 20-08-1888.
	v	Arthur Thomas Franks	b. 21-11-1890, d. 18-07-1963, br; Round Swamp. 20-11-1904 Dr Howard presented him with Senior Boys Prize for good conduct and regular attendance at Palmers Oakey Sunday School. Went to WW 1, rose to rank of Sergeant.
12.	vi	OliveMayFranks	b. 03-01-1893
	vii	Ethel Udora Franks	b. 11-10-1895, m. 01-03-1916, **John McCarron**, b.1885. Ethel died 08-05-1986, br; Nt. Suburbs.
	viii	William Robert Stevenson Franks	b. 20-11-1900, d. 06-08-1950, br; Round Swamp. 30-03-1912 received prize for good behaviour and attendance at Palmers Oakey Sunday School
	ix	James Roy Franks b. 10-12-1902, m. 12-01-1930, **Dora Docker,** d. 22-03-1987. James died 08-01-1993.	

4. **Eliza Jane Franks** b. 1852, England, m. 04-01-1868, in Palmers Oakey, **Henry Theobald 1st,** b. 1839, Bavaria Germany, (son of Heinrish Theobald and Thillipinia Woel) 0cc; Gold Miner, d.26-06-1900, Palmers Oakey. Eliza died 05-05-1928, Palmers Oakey, br; Palmers Oakey. Married at Palmers Oakey by Rev Colin Stewart. Wittness Peter Theobald & Jane Virginia Ferguson. Henry: Arrived In Australia 1855. **Henry See Theobald Tree**

Children:

13.	i	Emma Theobald	b. 14-03-1868.	
14.	ii	Henry Theobald	b. 15-12-1869.	
15.	iii	Elizabeth Jane Theobald	b. 21-04-1871.	
16.	iv	Peter Charles Theobald	b. 25-01-1873.	
	v	Albert Joseph Theobald	b. 29-06-1874,	d. 00-00-1876, br; Palmers Oakey.
	vi	John Albert Theobald	b. 24-06-1876,	d. 04-05-1909, br; Rookwood.
17.	vii	Walter Arthur Theobald	b. 03-08-1878.	
18.	viii	Eliza Jane Theobald	b. 06-09-1880.	
19.	ix	William Francis Theobald	b. 25-05-1882.	
20.	x	Edward Thomas Theobald	b. 05-10-1884.	
	xi	Mary Ann Theobald	b. 17-01-1887,	d. 26-08-1966, br; Rookwood.
	xii	Robert James Theobald	b. 27-04-1889,	d. 01-11-1931, br; Palmers Oakey.
2l.	xiii	Helena Alice Theobald	b. 21-04-1891.	
22.	xiv	Alfred Herbert Richard Theobald	b. 26-08-1892.	
23.	xv	Alexander Lewis Theobald	b. 24-08-1894.	d 19-08-1969, br. Lithgow
24.	xvi	Amelia Ann Theobald	b. 01-09-1896.	
	xvii	Martha Kathleen Theobald	b. 29-08-1900,	d. 17-10-1900, br; Palmers Oakey.

5. **Rodha A Franks** b. 1858, m. 1878, in Hartley, **John Beljon,** d. 1917, Lithgow. Rodha died 06-02-1935.

Children:

25.	i	Henry Charles Beljon	b. 00-00-1879.	
	ii	Charles Francis Beljon	b. 00-00-1880, Lithgow,	d. 1944, Parramatta.
26.	iii	Albert E Beljon	b. 00-00-1882.	
27.	iv	Everett Alexander V Beljon	b. 00-00-1885.	
28.	v	Liewellyn Beljon	b. 00-00-1890.	
29.	vi	Walter James Beijon	b. 00-00-1893.	
	vii	Robin E Beljon	b. 00-00-1898, Lithgow, m. 1933, in Nt. Sydney, **Bertha Aston**.	
30.	viii	William Beljon	b. 00-00-1901.	

Third Generation

6. **Florence Mary Franks** b. 12-11-1878, m. 27-03-1895, in Palmers Oakey, **Henry John Hayes,** b. 1862 Married in her fathers house at Palmers Oakey

Children:

	i	Eveline Gertrude Hayes	b. 00-00-1895, Sunny Corner.

7. **Edith Rose Franks** m. 1893, **Edgar Horace Kearney**, b. 1871.

Children:

	i	Mabel Martha Kearney	b. 00-00-1894.

8. **Frances Eliza Franks** b. 16-01-1883, m. 16-01-1906, in Rylstone, **James Larkin,** b. 31-05-1870, d. 25-09-1944 , br; Round Swamp. Frances died 01-01-1954, br; Woronora Sydney. **James: See Larkin Tree**

Children:

31.	i	Russell James Larkin	b. 27-07-1914.

9. **Rachel Franks** b. 21-12-1884, m. 14-06-1911, in St Leonards, **Stephen Oliver**, b. 1872, Rylstone, (son of David Oliver and Mary Ann Barry) d. 01-10-1956, br; Round Swamp. Rachel died 25-05-1978, br; Mudgee (ashes).

Children:

32.	i	Leslie Keith Oliver	b. 01-01-1912.
33.	ii	Eric Edwin Oliver	b. 29-03-1913.
34.	iii	Mavis Doreen Oliver	b. 12-04-1915.

10. **Alice Ann Franks** b. 10-11-1886, Sydney, m. 02-01-1907, in Palmers Oakey Church, **Ernest Charles Draper**, b. 16-05-1864, d. 13-11-1944, br; Round Swamp. Alice died 13-09-1979, br; Round Swamp.

Children:

	i	Doris A Draper	b. 00-00-1907, Bathurst, m. 1933, in Mudgee, **Herbert A G Sharpe.**	
	ii	Reginald Draper	b. 00-00-1910, Bathurst, m. **Nancy Catherine Kelly,** b. 1914, d. 18-08-1999, br; Round Swamp. Reginald died 02-10-1999, br; Round Swamp.	
35.	iii	Edgar Draper aka Mick Burrows	b. 00-00-1912.	
36.	iv	Stella Ida Draper	b. 00-00-1916.	
37.	v	Norman Edward Hector Draper	b. 11-10-1924.	
	vi	Dot Draper.		
	vii	ThelmaDraper	b. 00-00-1930,	d. 21-01-1944, br; Round Swamp.

11. **Henry Charles Franks** b. 20-08-1888, m. 01-12-1917, in Ilford, **Grace Margaret Cosier**, b. 1887, Peats Ferry, (daughter of Matthew Henry Cosier and Annie M McCulley) d.-1954, br; Cosier private cemetery Ilford. Henry died 01-08-1960, Rookwood.

Children:

	i	Madge Isobel Annie Franks	b. 03-10-1918, Mudgee,	d. 05-08-1979, Lawson.
38.	ii	Ella May Franks	b. 18-07-1920.	
	iii	Jean Margaret Franks	b. 30-03-1922, Kandos,	d. 05-10-1989, Katoomba.
	iv	Nellie Grace Franks	b. 28-08-1923, Kandos.	
39.	v	Henry Douglas Franks	b. 17-01-1925.	
	vi	Maxwell Clarence Franks	b. 08-07-1926, Oberon,	d. 1927, Clandulla, br; Ilford.
40.	vii	Reginald Harvey Franks	b. 12-10-1927.	

12. **Olive May Franks** b. 03-01-1893, m. 18-09-1911, **Henry Theobald,** b. 15-12-1869, Tobins Oakey, (son of Henry Theobald 1st and Eliza Jane Franks) 0cc; Gold Miner, d. 07-10-1948, Palmers Oakey, br; Palmers Oakey.Olive died 29-06-1974, Wallerawang, br; Palmers Oakey**.** **Henry: See Theobald Tree**

Children:

	i	Raymond Theobald	b. 00-04-1912, Palmers Oakey, d. 25-08-1927, Palmers Oakey, b P O.
	ii	John (Jack) Thomas Theobald	b. 19-06-19 14, Palmers Oakey, m. **Marjorie Fenton**. John died 16-08-1984, br; Palmers Oakey.
41.	iii	Edna May Theobald	b. 00-00-1915.
42.	iv	Henry Charles Theobald	b. 18-09-1917.
43.	v	Ernest James Theobald	b. 30-07-1919.
44.	vi	Frank Herbert Theobald	b. 29-10-1928.
48.	i	KevinTheobald	b. 13-11-1933.

13. **Emma Theobald** b. 14-03-1868, m. 1886, in Bathurst, **Joseph Kelly.** Emma died 04-06-1956, br; Rookwood.

Children:

i	Charles A Kelly	b. 00-00-1889, Bathurst.
ii	Gertrude E Kelly	b. 00-00-1891, Bathurst.
iii	Mary M Kelly	b. 00-00-1894, Bathurst.

14. **Henry Theobald (See marriage to number 12.)**

15. **Elizabeth Jane Theobald** b. 21-04-1871 , m. 1893, in Lithgow, **Charles Lewis,** d. 1905, Lithgow. Elizabeth died 09-09-1959, br; Penrith. Charles: Father John Mother Eliza

Children:

45.	i	Claude 0 Lewis	b. 00-00-1894.
46.	ii	Clyde Lewis	b. 00-00-1896.
47.	iii	Violet Lewis	b. 00-00-1900.
	iv	Stanley Charles Lewis	b. 00-00-1902, Lithgow, d. 1945, Lithgow.

16. **Peter Charles Theobald** b. 25-01-1873, m. 1905, in Sydney, **Alice M Hudson**. Peter died28-08-1938, br; Botany.

Children:

	i	Daphne G Theobald	b. 00-00-1906, Redfern.
	ii	Albert Theobald	b. 00-00-1908, Waterloo, d. 1915, Annendale.
	iii	Kathleen E Theobald	b. 00-00-1909, Redfern, m. 1932, in Randwick, **Bede E Wrig**ht.
	iv	Edith M Theobald	b. 00-00-1911, Sydney, m. 1935, in Randwick, **Arthur J Gunn.**
	v	Elsie M Theobald	b. 00-00-1913, Redfern, m. 1943, in Kingsford, **Cecil Percival Burton.**
	vi	Petre Joseph Theobald	b. 00-00-1915, Sydney, m. 1939, in Kingsford**, Lilian Selby**.
	vii	Cecil Theobald	b. 00-00-1917, Redfern.

17. **Walter Arthur Theobald** b. 03-08-1878, m. 1911, in Glebe, **Cecilla Marshall**. Walter died 30-01-1962, br; Rookwood.

Children:

	i	Mabel Theobald	b. 00-00-1911, Glebe, m. 1935, in Canterbury, **Frank Dingwall**.
	ii	Leslie M Theobald	b. 00-00-1916, Canterbury, m. 1945, in Bankstown, **Mavis Gertrude Wall.**
	iii	Arthur W Theobald	b. 00-00-1918, Canterbury.

18. **Eliza Jane Theobald** b. 06-09-1880, m. 1910, in Sydney, **Thomas Lewis**, d. 1918, Balmain North. Eliza died 06-01-1959, br; Cremated ashes scattered.

Children:

i	Lillian G Lewis	b. 00-00-1909, Sydney.
ii	John T Lewis	b. 00-00-1911, Balmain North.
iii	Raymond Lewis	b. 00-00-1914, Balmain North.
iv	Marion M Lewis	b. 00-00-1915, Balmain North.
v	Daphne Lewis	b. 00-00-1918, Balmain North.

19. **William Francis Theobald** b. 25-05-1882, m. 1910, in Bathurst, **Bridget Hyde,** b. 1881, Sofala. William died 07-04-1949, br; Bathurst. **Bridget: See Hyde Tree**

Children:

i	Lynda Theobald	b. 00-00-1913, Bathurst.
ii	Mervyn William Theobald	b. 00-00-1918, Bathurst, m. 1945, in Parramatta, **Joyce O'Sullivan.**

20. **Edward Thomas Theobald** b. 05-10-1884, m. 06-02-1926, in Capertee, **Lillian May Burr**, b. 1902, England, d. 16-04-1999. Edward died 19-06-1972, br; Capertee.

Children:

i	Jessica May Theobald	b. 16-06-1927, m**. ??? Barnes.**

21. **Helena Alice Theobald** b. 21-04-1891, m. (1) 1912, in Bathurst, **Samuel Jameson,** (2) **James M ??**Helena died 19-08-1952,

Children by Samuel Jameson:

i	William J Jameson	b. 00-00-1913, Glebe.
ii	Herbert M Jameson	b. 00-00-1915, Glebe.
iii	Ernest E Jameson	b. 00-00-1918, Glebe.

Children by James M????:

iv	Victor Jameson	b. 00-00-1912, Sofala, d. 1913, Bathurst.

22. **Alfred Herbert Richard Theobald** b. 26-08-1892, m.-1917, in Rylstone, **Ruby R M Bright**. Alfred died 06-11-1984,

Children:

i	Elma G Theobald	b. 00-00-1918, Rylstone.

24. **Amelia Ann Theobald** b. 01-09-1896, m. 1917, in Sydney, **Arthur Thomas Hyde,** b. 1883,Sofala, d. 01-09-1962, Capertee, br; Capertee. Amelia died 20-07-1978, br; Capertee. **Arthur: See Hyde Tree**

Children:

i	Ruby Stella Hyde	b. 19-01-1917, Redfern, d. 19-05-1997, Portland, br; 21-05-1997, Capertee.
ii	Mick Hyde.	
iii	Thomas Hyde.	
iv	Mary Hyde.	

25. **Henry Charles Beljon** b. 00-00-1879, Hartley, m. 1905, in Sydney, **Mary J Hanson**.

Children.

i	Ethel E Beljon	b. 00-00-1907, Murrumburrah,	d. 1907, Murrumburrah.
ii	Mary C Beljon	b. 00-00-1908, Murrumburrah.	
iii	Francis C Beljon	b. 00-00-1911, Murrumburrah,	d. 1912, Murrumberrah.
iv	Dorothy Beljon	b. 00-00-1913, Murrumbarrah, m. in Murrumburrah, **Angus V Flannery**	
v	Kathleen M Beljon	b. 00-00-1916, Murrumburrah,	d. 1916, Murrumburrah.

26. **Albert E Beljon** b. 1882, Hartley, m. 1908, in Lithgow, **Violet I Morris**.

Children:

i	Irene A Beljon	b. 00-00-1908, Lithgow,	d. 1908, Lithgow.
ii	Edna E Beljon	b. 00-00-1909, Lithgow.	
iii	Ernest K Beljon	b. 00-00-1911, Lithgow.	
iv	John G Beljon	b. 00-00-1913, Lithgow,	d. 1914, Lithgow.
v	Lillian Beljon	b. 00-00-1914, Lithgow,	m. 1936, in Lithgow, **Wilfred Carter.**
vi	Albert Beljon	b. 00-00-1917, Lithgow.	
vii	Violet Beljon		d. 1927, Lithgow.
viii	Evelyn Beljon		d. 1923, Lithgow.

27. **Everett Alexander V Beljon** b.-1885, Lithgow, m. 1907, in Lithgow, **Susan M Matur**, b. 1888, d. 1975. Everett d 17-10-1967.

Children:

49.	i	Doris M Beijon	b. 24-10-1907.	
	ii	Francis Maud Beijon	b. 00-00-1909, Sydney,	m. 1937, in Lithgow, **Joseph Morris.**
	iii	Mabel Beljon	b. 00-00-1912, Lithgow,	m. **Henry Hunt.**
50.	iv	Ronald A Beljon	b. 00-00-1912.	

28. **Llewellyn Beljon** b. 1890, Lithgow, m. **Madge Arkinstall**.

Children:

i	Max Beljon.	

29. **Walter James Beljon** b. 1893, Lithgow, m. **Mabel Sargood**.

Children:

i	Francis C Beljon	b. 00-00-1911, St Peters,	d. 1922, Lithgow.
ii	Walter James Beljon	b. 00-00-1916, Lithgow,	m. 1941, in Roselle, **Jean Dorothy Olson.**
iii	Ernest G Beljon	b. 00-00-1918, Lithgow,	m. in St Peters , **Roma Phyllis Williams**.

30. **William Beljon** b. 1901, Lithgow, m. in Canterbury, **Jessie M Scotcher**.

Children:

i	Nancy Beljon.	

Fourth Generation

31. **Russell James Larkin** b. 27-07-1914, Lithgow, m. 05-06-1954, **Elizabeth May Thompsett**, b. 04-05-1919. Russell died 2006.

Children:

i	Joanne Larkin.	

32. **Leslie Keith Oliver** b. 01-01-1912, m. 28-07-1951, in Rylstone, **Joyce Howell.** Leslie died 28-09-1990.

Children:

i	male Oliver	b. 20-08-1956,	d. 20-08-1956.
ii	Warrick James Oliver	b. 02-03-1960.	
iii	Katherine Joy Oliver	b. 14-04-1962.	

33. **Eric Edwin Oliver** b. 29-03-1913, Rylstone, m. 06-04-1947, **Una May Murray,** b. 20-04-1925. Eric died15-07-2005, Running Stream, br; 20-07-2005, Capertee.

Children:

51.	i	Ronald Edwin Oliver	b. 10-07-1948.
52.	ii	Sandra Oliver	b. 12-12-1949.
	iii	Caroline Oliver	b. 06-03-1952.
54.	iv	Deiwyn Oliver	b. 10-12-1957.

34. **Mavis Doreen Oliver** b. 12-04-1915, Rylstone, m. 1939, in Mudgee, **George Chadwick**, b. 1902, d. 1967.

Children:

i	Joan Chadwick.	
ii	Joyce Chadwick.	
55. iii	Harry Chadwick.	
56. iv	Jill Chadwick.	

35. **Edgar Draper aka Mick Burrows** b. 1912, Lithgow, m. (1) **Kathleen**, m. (2) **Madeleine Rhodes.**

Children by Madeleine Rhodes:

57. i Eric Burrows.
58. ii Pam Burrows.
iii Patricia Burrows m. **Alan Piper.**
iv Colleen Burrows m. **Tony Boyle.**

36. **Stella Ida Draper** b. 1916, Lithgow, m. 1939, in Rylstone, **Austin Charles Brown**, b.-1909, d. 1977, br; Mudgee.

Children:

59. i Robert Charles Brown.
60. ii Helen Ann Brown b. 04-10-1943.
61. iii Jean Lorraine Brown b. 03-07-1946.

37. **Norman Edward Hector Draper** b. 11-10-1924, m. 08-01-1948, **Violet Thelma Keegan,** b. 10-07-1928.
Norman died 26-01-1998, Lithgow, br; Lithgow.

Children:

62. i Ronald Edward Draper b. 01-05-1948.
63. ii Colin Patrick Draper b. 02-09-1949.
64. iii Anne Maree Draper b. 13-12-1955.
65. iv Graeme Frederick Draper b. 29-07-1964.
v Jeffery Stuart Draper b. 30-09-1969.

38. **Ella May Franks** b. 18-07-1920,Kandos, m. 01-02-1950, **Errol William Pygram**.

Children:

i Helen June Pygram b. 00-00-1951, m. 23-03-1974, **Tony Buckler.**
ii Fay Margaret Pygram b. 00-00-1953, m. 31-01-1976, **Lou Capolupo.**
iii Rex William Pygram b. 00-00-1955, m. 00-00-1979**,** **Sharon**.
iv Lance Allan Pygram b. 00-00-1957.
v Nola May Pygram b. 00-00-1959, m. 00-00-1979, **Ian Steel**.

39. **Henry Douglas Franks** b. 17-01-1925, Rylstone, m. 1961, **Joan Aylet.**

Children:

i John Douglas Franks b. 00-00-1962.

40. **Reginald Harvey Franks** b. 12-10-1927, Clandulla, 0cc; Contractor-Farmer, m. 14-01-1961, in Ilford, **Jennifer Ruth Harding**, b. 26-12-1940. Reginald died 05-04-2009, Olinda, br; 17-04-2009, Rylstone. **See book 'Out of my tucker box**"
Jennifer: Father Reginald Harding mother Dulcie Metcalf

Children:

66. i Cheryl Lee Franks b. 23-10-1961.
67. ii Gregory Bruce Franks b. 12-08-1963.

41. **Edna May Theobald** b. 1915, Palmers Oakey, m. (1) 1936, in Bathurst, **Bertie James AdolphusFuller,**
b. 1892, Mudgee, (son of Lawrence A Fuller and Fanny) Edna died 26-04-1972, br; Capertee.

Children

i Bertie Fuller.
ii John Henry Fuller b. 08-01-1940, Palmers Oakey, d. 20-11-2000, br; Capertee
iii Desmond Fuller.
iv Hilton Fuller. d 00-02-2011

42. **Henry Charles Theobald** b. 18-09-1917, Palmers Oakey, m. 1939, in Bathurst, **Elma Mary Guihot**, b. 29-10-1922,
d. 26-08-2003, Bathurst, br; 29-08-2003, Bathurst. Henry died 27-09-1974, Palmers Oakey.

Children:

68. i Alan Theobald b. 00-00-1940.
ii Rodney Theobald.
69. iii Barbara Theobald.
iv Thelma Theobald d. 11-04-1953, Bathurst Hospital, br; Palmers Oakey. Died young, car accident
v Robert Theobald.

43. **Ernest James Theobald** b. 30-07-1919, Palmers Oakey, m. 1941, in Bathurst, **Aileen Norma Maclean**,b. 17-08-1923.
Ernest died 19-11-2007.

Children:

i Jan Theobald.
ii Sue Theobald.
iii Dianne Theobald.

44. **Frank Herbert Theobald** b. 29-10-1928, Kandos, m. (1) 17-05-1952, in Christ Church Springwood, **Barbara Joan Papworth,**
m. (2) 1984, **Gloria Murray**, b. 22-11-1927. Frank died 16-07-2005, Swanse, br; 29-10-2005, Ashes Palmers Oakey.

Children by Barbara Joan Papworth:

i Julie Theobald b. 25-10-1953.
ii Debbie Theobald.

45. **Claude O Lewis** b. 1894, Lithgow, m. 1919, in Rylstone, **Vera Amy G Bright**, b. 1899,Rockley, (daughter of Albert Bright and Mary O'Shea). Claude br; Kingswood.

Children:

i	Joan Lewis.	
ii	Betty Lewis. Twin.	
iii	Kevin Lewis.	
iv	Patricia Lewis.	
v	Joseph Lewis	d. 1920, Lithgow.
vi	Peggy Lewis	d. 1926, Lithgow.

46. **Clyde Lewis** b. 1896, Lithgow, m. 1924, in Lithgow, **Mary Phillis Bright**, b. 1903, Bathurst, (daughter of Herbert Bright and Margaret M Stapleton). Clyde br; Woolongong.

Children.

i	Donald Lewis.
ii	Phillip Lewis.
iii	Doris Lewis.
iv	Maureen Lewis.
v	Charles Lewis.

47. **Violet Lewis** b. 1900, Lithgow, m. 1921, in Lithgow, **John George Robinson**.

Children:

70.	i	Merle Robinson.
71.	ii	Audrey Robinson.

48. **Kevin Theobald** b. 13-11-1933, Palmers Oakey, m. 17-11-1956, in St Thomas Wallerawang, **Valma Joan Franks,** b. 28-04-1933, d. 26-12-2010, Wallerawang, br; 30-12-2010, Pipers Flat.

Children:

72.	i	Christine Anne Theobald	b. 29-03-1957.
73.	ii	Jennifer Gail Theobald	b. 30-05-1958.
74.	iii	Kerry Lynne Theobald	b. 21-09-1959.
75.	iv	Sharon Joy Theobald	b. 01-07-1961.
76.	v	Maureen Elizabeth Theobald	b. 04-04-1963.
	vi	Barry Kevin Theobald	b. 24-11-1965.

49. **Doris M Beljon** b. 24-10-1907, Lithgow, m. 1926, in Lithgow, **Stanley Sharpe.**

Children:

	i	Stanley Raymond Sharpe.

50. **Ronald A Beljon** b. 1912, Lithgow, m. 1940, in Lithgow, **Betty Isobell Scoular.**

Children:

	i	???? Beljon	b. ???.

Fifth Generation

51. **Ronald Edwin Oliver** b. 10-07-1948, m. **Leah Gawthorn**.

Children:

	i	Peter Oliver	b. 26-04-1978, m. 2003**, Lisa.**
	ii	David Oliver	b. 00-00-1983, d. 1983.
	iii	Nicholas Oliver	b. 28-05-1984.

52. **Sandra Oliver** b. 12-12-1949, m. **Jeffery Davis**, b. 20-02-1955.

Children:

	i	Rodney Michael Davis	b. 28-01-1983.
	ii	Anthony Eric Davis	b. 27-04-1984.
	iii	Steven Mark Davis	b. 08-01-1988.

53. **Caroline Oliver** b. 06-03-1952, m. **Terrance Campbell.**

Children:

77.	i	Matthew Campbell	b. 03-05-1972.
78.	ii	Yvette Campbell	b. 24-06-1973.
	iii	Karma Campbell	b. 23-02-1975, m. **Scott Lidell.**
	iv	Lachian Campbell	b. 15-04-1980

54. **Delwyn Oliver** b. 10-12-1957, m**.** **Peter Cafe.**

Children:

	i	Alisha Cafe	b. 18-02-1986.

55. **Harry Chadwick** m. **Pamela Lutton**.

Children:

i	Penelope Chadwick.
ii	Prudence Chadwick.

56. **Jill Chadwick** m. **Robert Charles Brown**,(son of Austin Charles Brown and Stella Ida Draper).
Children:

i	David Charles Brown	b. 08-10-1968.
ii	Michael George Brown	b. 18-10-1971.
iii	Rhonda Lee Brown.	
iv	Robert Brown.	

57. **Eric Burrows** m. **Marie.**
Children:

i	Michael Burrows.
ii	Andrew Burrows.
iii	Susan Burrows.
iv	Jane Burrows

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58. **Pam Burrows** m. **Greg Geering**.
Children:

i	Brett Geering.
Ii	Cherie Geering.

59. **Robert Charles Brown (See marriage to number 56.)**

60. **Helen Ann Brown** b. 04-10-1943, m. 09-09-1967, **Eric Robert Walter Merrett**, b. 21-07-1937, d.16-08-1999.
Children:

	i	Eric Austin Merrett	b. 30-06-1969.
79.	ii	Leslie Joseph Merrett	b. 08-04-1971.
80.	iii	Wendy Ann Merrett	b. 10-09-1973.
	iv	Maylene Merrett	b. 11-02-1981.

61. **Jean Lorraine Brown** b. 03-07-1946, m. 21-06-1979, **Darryl John James**, b. 01-03-1942.
Children:

i	Kim Lorraine James	b. 12-02-1981.
ii	Kenneth John James	b. 07-03-1984.

62. **Ronald Edward Draper** b. 01-05-1948, m. **Elaine Veronica Lowe**, b. 17-11-1946.
Children:

i	Jane Maree Draper	b. 28-04-1977.
ii	Andrew John Draper	b. 11-12-1980.

63. **Colin Patrick Draper** b. 02-09-1949, m **Robyn Elaine Baker**, b. 29-06-1957.
Children:

i	Gordon Bradley Draper	b. 04-09-1977.
ii	Melanie Louise Draper	b. 03-03-1981

64. **Anne Maree Draper** b. 13-12-1955, m. **Brett Charles Simpson**, b. 15-10-1953.
Children:

i	Danielle Leanne Simpson	b. 17-11-1981.
ii	Glen Michael Simpson	b. 15-09-1983.

65. **Graeme Frederick Draper** b. 29-07-1964, m. **Lisa Kirkland**, b. 30-05-1972.
Children:

i	Jason Lyndon Draper	b. 11-11-1992.
ii	Cody Glen Draper	b. 17-03-1996.

66. **Cheryl Lee Franks** b. 23-10-1961, m. 18-03-1989, **Michael Nielsen.**
Children:

i	Blake Thomas Nielsen	b. 15-04-1991.
ii	Annalise Grace Nielsen	b. 21-07-1994.

67. **Gregory Bruce Franks** b. 12-08-1963, m. 00-09-1994, **Melinda Turner**.
Children:

i	Brenton James Franks	b. 07-07-1996.
ii	Katelyn Jane Franks	b. 13-11-1999.

68. **Alan Theobald** b. 00-00-1940, m. **Fay ????.** Alan died 27-05-1982.
Children.

i	Raymond Charles Theobald.
ii	Susan Theobald.
iii	David Theobald.
iv	Colin Theobald.

69. **Barbara Theobald** m. 23-05-1964, in Bathurst, **William Henry Forman (Harry) Dinger**, b. 21-01-1929, d. 20-05-2005,
Children:

i	Marlene Dinger.			
ii	Daryl Dinger	b. Bathurst,	m.	**Kara.**
iii	Brett Dinger	b. Bathurst,	m.	**Danielle.**

70. **Merle Robinson** m. **William Milnes**.
Children:
i Michael Milnes d. 1965.

71. **Audrey Robinson** m. **Francis Shepherd**.
Children:
i Susan Shepherd b. 24-11-1958.
81. ii Mark Shepherd b. 17-07-1963.
82. iii John Shepherd b. 08-10-1965
72. **Christine Anne Theobald** b. 29-03-195 7, m. 25-08-1984, **Mark Curran**.
Children:
i Thomas Curran.
73. **Jennifer Gail Theobald** b. 30-05-1958, m. 24-12-1992 , **Kerry Mann.**
Children.
i AlexanderMann b. 15-11-1994.

74. **Kerry Lynne Theobald** b. 21-09-1959, m. 13-03-1982, **Michael Zorz.**
Children:
i Nathan Zorz b. 03-03-1979.
83. ii Emma Zorz b. 17-1 0-1982.
84. iii DamienZorz b. 17-10-1982.
75. **Sharon Joy Theobald** b. 01-07-1961, m. 27-11-1987, **Stephen Place.**
Children:
i Rebecca Place b. 29-02-1986.
ii Brady Place b. 07-08-1988.
iii Josua Place b. 23-12-1989.

76. **Maureen Elizabeth Theobald** b. 04-04-1963, m. 16-10-1994, **D'Arcy Boyd-Skinner**.
Children:
i Haydon Boyd-Skinner b. 05-04-1995.
ii Courtney Boyd-Skinner b. 23-05-1998.

Sixth Generation

77. **Matthew Campbell** b. 03-05-1972, m. **Zoe Spiers**.
Children:
i Emily Campbell b. 16-03-2000.

78. **Yvette Campbell** b. 24-06-1973, m. **Scott Ambrose**.
Children:
i Sarah Ambrose b. 16-03-1993.

79. **Leslie Joseph Merrett** b. 08-04-1971, m. 24-01-1998, **Judith Dion Taylor**, b. 11-11-1976.
Children:
i Dylan Leslie Christopher Merrett b. 04-05-2003.

80. **Wendy Ann Merrett** b. 10-09-1973, m. 15-07-1995, **Mark Andrew Curan**, b. 24-10-1968.
Children:
i Ann Jane Curan b. 16-09-1995.
ii George Andrew Curan b. 30-03-1997.
iii Robert Walter Curan b. 25-04-2003.

81. Mark Shepherd b. 17-07-1963, m**.** **Jenene**.
Children:
i Jeccica Shepherd.
ii Matthew Shepherd.

82. **John Shepherd** b. 08-10-1965, m. **Debbie.**
Children:
i Sarah Shepherd.
ii Ashley Shepherd.

83. **Emma Zorz** b. 17-10-1982, m. **Adam Martin**.
Children:
i Jaiden Martin b. 17-08-1901.

.84. Damien Zorz b. 17-10-1982, m. **Kim Shirt**.
Children:
i Kiara Zorz b. 28-02-2002.



C1895 ARTHUR RACHEAL OLLIE FRANCES ALICE ANNE HARRY


ARTHUR.FRANKS

FROST.

Only records of Frost in this area is Thomas James Frost and George Frost in the 1870's and some of their children going to the Upper Turon school. There were 11 children in all.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL RECORDS

DATE	NAME	AGE	REL	PARENT OF	OCCU	CLASS	REASON LEAVING
7-12-75	Frances Frost	14	CE Free	George Frost	Palmers Oakey	Labourer 2nd-	7/75 4-4- 76
7-12-75	Lucy H Frost	12	CE Free	George Frost	Palmers Oakey	Labourer 2nd-	7/75 4-4- 76
31-7-76	Francis Frost	15	EC	Thomas Frost	Palmers Oakey	Shepherd 3rd-	7/76
31-7-76	Lucy Frost	13	EC	Thomas Frost	Palmers Oakey	Shepherd 3rd-	7/76
26-3-77	Rose Frost	12	EC	Thomas Frost	Palmers Oakey	Miner 1st	3/77

The birth records show the above childrens father as Thomas James

1875/76 Palmers Oakey Post Office Records Frost George miner,

FROST

1. **Thomas James Frost** m. 1861, in Hartley, **Elizabeth Jane Delaney**.

Children:

i John W Frost b 00-00-1856, Adaminiby, d. 1856, Armidale.

2. ii George S Frost b. 00-00-1857.

3. iii Frances E Frost b. 00-00-1860.

iv Lucy H Frost b. 00-00-1863, Armidale, m. 1882, in Rylstone, **George Wheston.**

1875-76 attended Upper Turon School, records 1875 show father as George (labourer) and 1876 Thomas (shepherd) C of E

v Rose A Frost b. 00-00-1865, Armidale, m. 1886, in Cent Cumberland **John McClelland.**

1877 Rose attended Upper Turon school, records show father as Thomas (miner) C of E

vi	Michael Frost	b. 00-00-1867. I can find no birth reg. for Michael	
vii	Vernon E Frost	b. 00-00-1869, Armidale.	
viii	Julia Alice Frost	b. 00-00-1873, Sofala, m. 1891, in St Leonards, **Christopher J Emmett.**	
ix	Sarah Matilda Frost	b. 00-00-1875, Parramatta,	d. 1875, Parks.
x	John Frost	b. 00-00-1887, Newtown,	d. 1887, Newtown.
xi	Centennial A Frost	b. 00-00-1888, Scone.	

Second Generation

2. **George S Frost** b. 1857, Tamworth, m. 1907, in Canterbury , **Annie M England.**

Children:

i	Sydney G Frost	b. 00-00-1908, Canterbury.
ii	Emily M Frost	b. 00-00-1914, Canterbury.

3. **Frances E Frost** b. 1860, Armidale, m. 1883, in Bathurst**, Alfred Thompson.** 1875-76 attended Upper Turon School. 1875 records show father as George (labourer) and 1876 Thomas (shepherd) C of E

Children:

i	Thomas J Thompson	b. 00-00-1890, St Leonards.
i	Alice A Thompson	b. 00-00-1896, St Leonards.

GEORGE McLEOD.

George McLeod was born Scotland and I think there was a connection with the Fergusons, but that is as far as it goes.

He lived right next to the Palmers Oakey Cemetery, farmed some land, mined various sites and had a tunnel (remains are still there) a 100 m to the NW from his residence. He also had a team of horses and did a lot of carrying . All this was achieved on one leg 'He was a member of the Palmers Oakey Common and ran his stock there, mostly his horses in later years. George is buried in the Palmers Oakey cemetery, only 50m from his old home.

This is how George McLeod appears in The History of Palmers Oakey.

23-09-1862	Thomas Southall married Jannett(Jessie) Ferguson at Mitchells Creek. Witnesses Duncan Ferguson & **George McLeod.**
1870—71	Electors Roll McLeod George Palmers Oakey
00-00-1874.	Mrs Phillips was appointed Post Mistress at Upper Turon, Her sureties were Duncan Ferguson Palmers Oakey Grazier and **George McLeod** Palmers Oakey Miner.
00-00-1873	George McLeod 1. registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.
00-00-1875	Electors Roll McLeod George miner
00-00-1878	Electors Roll G McLeod
03-01-1881	Special Common Meeting. Moved William Phillips seconded Redmound Bellparraud to send notices to G Steel, D Ferguson, **G McLeod** to keep sheep off ground annexed to common,
00-00-1881	George McLeod 1. registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.
00-00-1892	George McLeod 1. registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.
23-03-1884	Mary McColl Ferguson buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery **George McLeod** undertaker.
00-00-1884	George McLeod 1. registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.
09-01-1887	Special common meeting held to elect trustees for ensuing 3 years. John Joseph Martin by J Dunkel and E Phillips. Alexander McIntyre by J Martin and M McDonnell. John Thomas Franks by J Martin and **George McLeod.** William Tacke by F H Buckerfield and G Simpson. Michael McDonnell by E O'Farrell and W Simpson. J J Martin was chairman.
23-12-1886	Common meeting hold to consider applications for Common Rights and to elect a Trustee in place of Alex McIntyre deceased. Thomas Lynch by E O'Farrell and **G McLeod.** J J Martin chairman.
00-00-1888	George McLeod 1. registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.
00-00-1896	. George McLeod 1. registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.
09-01-1892	An Advertised Public Meeting held at Jacob Dunkels to elect Trustees for Palmers Oakey Common for ensuing 3 years. 1 J Dunkel, proposed by Thomas Lynch seconded **George McLeod.** 2 John Alexander McKinnon proposed by David Munro seconded **George McLeod**. 3 William Lewis proposed by Edward O'Farrell seconded J Dunkel. 4 Francis Henry Buckerfield proposed by Henry Theobald seconded William Lewis. 5 Daniel Hopkins proposed by Jerimiah O'Farrell seconded Henry Theobald. J Dunkel chairman of meeting. A meeting was then held to hear the expenditure etc of the common.
07-01-1893	Quarterly common meeting held at J Dunkels at which a proposal made by **George McLeod** to have 17 head of his stock allowed free of charge on account of his lease of 640 acres adjoining the Palmers Oakey common on the east side and a few head of the commoners stock tresspassing thereon. Not granted. J Dunkel chairman.
00-00-1893	George McLeod 1. registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.
17-08-1895	Duncan Ferguson2nd buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery. John McKinnon acted as undertaker with M Galagher JP reading the service. **George McLeod** and William Smith witnessed certificate.
04-01-1896	Common trustees meeting at J Dunkels. It was resolved to let Mr J Tyrrells stock depasture free of charge on Palmers Oakey common for 1894 and future years , also that J H Franks and **George McLeod** to have their stock free on the common on account of their leased land adjoining the common and of which land the common stock will have the benifit and there is to be no impounding on either side and the amount so lost will be respectivly as follows; J Tyrrell 2/- J H Franks 18/- George,McLeod 13/- Total £1-13-0 which sum will have to be deducted from the accounts as made up on 31-12-95. J Dunkel chairman.
14-02-1901	Record of D Fergusons expenses 1901.G McLeod for loading l cwt wire £1-00-00
00-00-1903	From Dep Agriculture Sheep brand Register (1903)

	FIRE	TAR	EAR no:
McLeod George Palmers Oakey Creek		GM	687

00-00-1907	A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of reviewing the balance sheet for the year 1907 which was done and passed as correct, Also to elect a trustee in leiu of Robert McKinnon resigned when W J Wilkinson was duly elected proposed by **George McLeod** and seconded by David Munro and carded. D D Munro chairman of meeting.				
00-00-1908	Electrol Roll	McLeod George	M	Palmers Oakey	Farmer

COMMON STOCK RECORDS.

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE	
1880	George McLeod	4	8	
1882	George McLeod	4	8	
1884	George McLeod	8	8	5 SHEEP
1885	George McLeod	3	3	
1886	George McLeod	8		
1888	George McLeod		12	
1889	George McLeod		14	
1890	George McLeod	3	11	
1891	George McLeod	16	2	
1892	George McLeod	17	3	
1893	George McLeod	15	2	
1894	George McLeod	15	1	
1895	George McLeod	12	1	
1896	George McLeod	10	1	
1897	George McLeod	10	1	
1898	George McLeod	8		
1899	George McLeod	9		
1900	George McLeod	9		
1901	George McLeod	12		
1902	George McLeod	9		
1903	George McLeod	6		
1904	George McLeod	5		
1905	George McLeod	6		
1906	George McLeod	5		
1907	George McLeod	2		
1909	G McLeod	2		



McLeods Gold Mine P O

GETTENS.

Thomas Gettens married **Elizabeth Clarke** in England and in 1841 set sail for Australia with wife and 4 children, another child was born at sea , with 4 more being born in Australia. They arrived per "*Lady Clarke*" in Sydney on Boxing Day 1841.
They must have moved to this area early in the rush of 1851 as their last child was born here in 1852. The family lived on the Turon above Sofala and the area is still known as "Gettens".
Elizabeth acted as a midwife, and she died 1879 in Tobins Oakey and Thomas died 3 years later.
Eldest girl married Walter Millett and for a time was Post Master at Palmers Oakey
The 6th girl married John McCarthy and lived for a time in Palmers Oakey,

GETTENS

1. **Thomas Gettens** b. 1809, England, m. **Elizabeth Clarke,** b. 1810, England, d. 23-07-1879, Tobins Oakey.
Thomas died 01-10-1882, Sofala. Father Thomas.

2. **Children:**

i Mary Ann Gettens b. 11-09-1831, Birmingham England, btd 22-11-1832, St Martins Birmingham, m. 14-07-1852, in Sofala, **Walter William Millett,** b. 03-03-1831,London, bpt 01-04-1832, St Sepulture London, occupation Innkeeper/Postmaster d.03-05-1925, Leadville NSW, buried: Mudgee. Mary died 29-01-1900, buried: Mudgee.
Walter See Millett Tree

ii Elizabeth Gettens b. 00-00-1833, England, bpt 27-05-1836, St Martins Birmingham.

2. iii Caroline Evans Gettens b. 00-00-1836.

3. iv Thomas Gettens b. 00-00-1839.

v Harriet Gettens b. 00-00-1841, At Sea.

vi Rosannah S Gettens b. 00-00-1844, Sydney, m. 1867, in Sofala, **John McCarthy.**
Rosannah died -1887. **John: See McCarthy Tree**

4. vii Martha A Gettens b. 00-00-1848.

5. viii Jemina Margaret Gettens b. 00-00-1850.

6. ix Joseph Gettens b. 00-00-1852.

Second Generation

2. **Caroline Evans Gettens** b. 1836, Sydney, m. 1854, in Pennant Hills, **William Chapman.** Caroline died 1894, Parramatta.
In 14-09-1885 they lived Hope Cottage Moss St., Parramatta

Children:

i William T Chapman b. 00-00-1855, Sofala.

7. ii Frederick Chapman b. 00-00-1860.

3. **Thomas Gettens** b. 1839, Sydney, m. 1862, in Sofala, **Sarah Bird Thomas** died 1920, Hurstville.

Children:

	i	John T Gettens	b. 00-00-1863, Sofala,	d. 1863, Sofala.
	ii	William Gettens	b. 00-00-1864, Sofala,	d. 1928, Burwood.
8.	iii	James Gettens	b. 00-00-1867.	
	iv	Elizabeth Gettens	b. 00-00-1869, Sofala.	
	v	Lille J Gettens	b. 00-00-1871, Rylstone,	d. 1874, Rylstone.
	vi	John Thomas Gettens	b. 00-00-1874, Rylstone.	
	vii	Ernest Gettens	b. 00-00-1878.	

4. **Martha A Gettens** b. 1848, Sydney, m. 1862, in Sofala, **John Nichols**.

Children:

i	Male Nichols	b. 00-00-1862, Sofala,	d. 1862, Sofala.
ii	William J Nichols	b. 00-00-1864, Sofala.	
iii	Francis Joseph Nichols	b. 00-00-1866, Goulburn,	d. 1871, Carcora.
iv	John Nichols	b. 00-00-1868, Goulburn.	
v	Thomas Nichols	b. 00-00-1870, Carcora.	

5. **Jemina Margaret Gettens** b. 1850, Sydney, m. -1868, in Sofala, **John Jones.**

Children:

i	Emma Gettens	b. 00-00-1864, Sofala.
ii	William Jones	b. 00-00-1868, Sofala.
iii	Edwin Jones	b. 00-00-1870, Sofala.
iv	Elizabeth Jones	b. 00-00-1872, Sofala.
v	Lilly Jones	b. 00-00-1874, Sofala.

6. **Joseph Gettens** b. 1852, Sofala, m. 1874, in Bathurst, **Francis(Fanny) Jane Barrett**. Joseph died 1911, Sofala.

Children:

	i	Thomas Gettens	b. 00-00-1874, Sofala,	d. 1921, Portland.
10.	ii	Martha Gettens	b. 00-00-1876.	
	iii	Fanny Gettens	b. 00-00-1878, Sofala.	
11.	iv	Elizabeth Gettens	b. 00-00-1880.	
12.	v	Annie Gettens	b. 00-00-1882.	
	vi	Joseph Gettens	b. 00-00-18??,	d. 1887, Sofala.
	vii	Alice C Gettens	b. 00-00-1889, Sofala.	
13	viii	Lilly Gettens	b. 00-00-1891.	
	ix	William B B Gettens	b. 00-00-1894, Sofala.	
14.	x	Irene 0 Gettens	b. 00-00-1897.	
	xi	Charlotte		d. 1906, Sofala.

Third Generation

7. **Frederick Chapman** b. 1860, Sofala, m. 1880, in Parramatta, **Mary Brown**.

Children.

i	Evelyn May Chapman	b. 00-00-1880, Parramatta,	m. 1906, in Granville, **John W Klein.**
ii	Ernest William Chapman	b. 00-00-1881, Parramatta,	m. 1904, in Parramatta, **Lillian A Buttsworth**.
iii	Pearl M Chapman	b. 00-00-1883, Windsor,	m. 1907, in Parramatta, **William H Salis.**
iv	Harold H Chapman	b. 00-00-1888, Windsor,	m. 1914, in Parramatta, **Ursula M Salis.**

8. **James Gettens** b. 1867, Sofala, m. 1896, in Rylstone, **Lilly M Davis.**

Children:

i	Female Gettens	b. 00-00-1899, Rylstone.	
ii	Douglas L Gettens	b. 00-00-1900, Rylstone,	m. 1933, in Hurstville, **Joyce A Steels.**
iii	Thelma J Gettens	b. 00-00-1903, Rylstone,	m. 1923, in Rylstone, **Percival Q J Collins.**
iv	Gladys L Gettens	b. 00-00-1905, Rylstone.	
v	Phyllis S Gettens	b. 00-00-1907, Rylstone.	
vi	Lyndon J Gettens	b. 00-00-1910, Rylstone,	m. 1935, in Rylstone, **Enid M Nixon.**
vii	Allan T Gettens	b. 00-00-1912, Rylstone,	m. 1934, in Rylstone, **Doris E J Dix.**
viii	Gordon Harris Gettens	b. 00-00-1915, Rylstone,	m. 1939, in Mudgee, **Jean Blair Taylor.**
ix	Archibald William Gettens	b. 00-00-1917, Rylstone,	m. 1941, in Rylstone, **Muriel Sarah Mills.**

9. **Ernest Gettens** b. 1878, Mudgee, m. 1909, in Marrickville, **Ethel M Jones.**

Children:

i	Male Getten	b. 00-00-1909, Hurstville,	d. 1909, Hurstville.
ii	Ernest G Gettens	b. 00-00-1910, Hurstville,	m. 1938, in Hurstville, **Dorothy Mary Prince**.
iii	Muriel Gettens	b. 00-00-1911, Hurstville,	m. 1935, in Hurstville, **John A Shaw.**
iv	Marjorie Elizabeth Gettens		**John Inglis Cross.**
v	Cassin T Gettens	b. 00-00-1915, Hurstville.	

10. **Martha Gettens** b. 1876, Sofala, m. 1899, in Sofala, **Martin Farrell.**

Children:

i	Ada Farrell	b. 00-00-1899, Sofala.	
ii	John T Farrell	b. 00-00-1901, Sofala.	
iii	Mary V Farrell	b. 00-00-1903, Maitland,	m. 1923, in Wickham, **Joseph A Newton.**
iv	Ellen T Farrell	b. 00-00-1906, Maitland.	
v	Doreen Farrell	b. 00-00-1909, Cessnock.	

11. **Elizabeth Gettens** b. 1880, Sofala, m. 1898, in Sofala, **Roy A Mackie.**

Children:

i	Verna E Mackie	b. 00-00-1899, Wattle Flat.	
ii	Edna D Mackie	b. 00-00-1907, Wattle Flat.	
iii	Isabell C Mackie	b. 00-00-1915, Wattle Flat.	

12. **Annie Gettens** b. 1882, Sofala, m.1908, in Rylstone, **Maurice Lane.**

Children:

i	Caroline A Lane	b. 00-00-1908, Lithgow.	
ii	Ivan M Lane	b. 00-00-1910, Lithgow.	
iii	Alma H Lane	b. 00-00-1912, Rylstone.	

13. **Lilly Gettens** b. 1891, Sofala, m. 1910, in Rylstone, **John McManus**.

Children:

i	Zellic I McManus	b. 00-00-1911, Rylstone.	
ii	John A McManus	b. 00-00-1914, Rylstone.	

14. **Irene O Gettens** b. 1897, Lithgow, m. 1915, in Lithgow, **Thomas H McKinnon**.

Children:

i	Lindsay McKinnon	b. 00-00-1918, Portland.	m. 1936, in Hurstville

HARTIGAN.

Thomas was born 1858 in Bathurst and married Ellen Martin 1912 and had one daughter.

Ellen was the daughter of a miner that lived on the Turon 2 km below the junction with Running Stream, her and Tom lived on the other side of the road, until they moved to Capertee where they had a shop.

Each day Tom would leave the shop and walk the 40m to the Capertee Hotel, have a toddy or 2, then return to the shop. Towards the end of his life people said he neither ate or drank and the rum kept him alive.

1918 Rural Lands Protection Board Records.

NAME	AREA	HORSES	CATTLE	SHEEP	ACRES
Ellen & T Hartigan	Upper Turon	6	4	150	843

HARTIGAN

1. **Michael Hartigan** m. **Catherine ????.**

Children.

	i	Bernard Hartigan	b. 00-00-1856, Bathurst.
2.	ii	Thomas Hartigan	b. 00-00-1858.
3.	iii	Andrew U Hartigan	b. 00-00-1860.
	iv	James Hartigan	b. 00-00-1863, Bathurst.

Second Generation

2. **Thomas Hartigan** b. 1858, Bathurst, m. 1912, in Sydney, **Ellen M Martin**, b. 1871, Sofala. **Ellen see Martin Tree**
Thomas died 17-09-1947, buried: Capertee.

Children:

	i	Eileen M Hartigan	b. 00-00-1913, Bathurst.

3. **Andrew G Hartigan** b. 1860, Bathurst, m. -1886, in Bathurst, **Ellen M Cleary**. Andrew died -1924, Orange.

Children:

	i	Ernest J Hartigan	b. 00-00-1887, Bathusrt,	d. 1889, Bathurst.
4.	ii	Vincent J Hartigan	b. 00-00-1889.	
	iii	Lucy K Hartigan	b. 00-00-1891, Bathurst,	d. 1896, Molong.
	iv	Bernard J Hartigan	b. 00-00-1893, Bathurst,	m. 1922, in Wellington, **Daphene I Browne.**
	v	Irene M Hartigan	b. 00-00-1895, Bathurst.	
	vi	Mary E A Hartigan	b. 00-00-1897, Bathurst,	m. 1922, in Lithgow, **Stephen S Hannan.**
	vii	Eileen M Hartigan	b. 00-00-1908, Orange,	m. 1928, in Sydney, **George A Sanderson.**

Third Generation

4. **Vincent J Hartigan** b. 1889, Bathurst, m. 1912, in Orange, **Florence C Webb**.

Children:

i	Kenneth J Hartigan	b. 00-00-1913, Orange.	
ii	Bernard R Hartigan	b. 00-00-1914, Orange,	d. 1915, Orange.
iii	James A Hartigan	b. 00-00-1916, Millthorpe, m. 1941, in Rockdale, **Gladys Mabel Blain.**	
iv	Jack V Hartigan	b. 00-00-1918, Millthorpe.	

HARVEY—DORAN--MYLES

WILLIAM HARVEY

William Harvey born 1818 Birmingham England, shoemaker/publican Arrived in Australia 1835 per "*Marquis of Huntley*" he had been sentenced in Scotland for picking pockets , He was single 5 foot 5 inches tall, scars on back of hands, ruddy complexion, occupation shoemaker/seaman. He married **Catherine Doran** 5-11-1850 in Bathurst. Moved to the Hill End area where their first child was born 1851 .

They went on to have 7 children, and some attended the Upper Turon school

By 20-4-1858 he held the license for the "Royal Oak" at Palmers Oakey on Portion 29 at the junction of the Turon and Palmers Oakey creek. Family claim they also had a coaching business there.

William died 11-11-1865 at Palmers Oakey and is buried at Sofala

CATHERINE DORAN

This left Catherine with a hotel and 7 kids, but she was a survivor , born Kilkenny Ireland 1833 came to Australia 29-11-1849 per "*Lismoyne"* as an Earl Grey Scheme girl to escape the potato famine . On arrival she spent five days on the ship, moved to the Barracks in Macquarie Street for 48 days then on 22nd January 1850 with 12 other girls was moved to the Bathurst Depot. After 4 days she was apprenticed to a Mr Buckland who was a teacher at the Wesleyan day school, for the sum of Eight Pounds for twelve months plus board and lodging. She did not see the 12 months out as she married **William Harvey** 5-11-1850.

Ten weeks after Williams death Catherine married "At the residence of Catherine Harvey Palmers Oakey Creek Sofala"

James Myles and they had 2 children

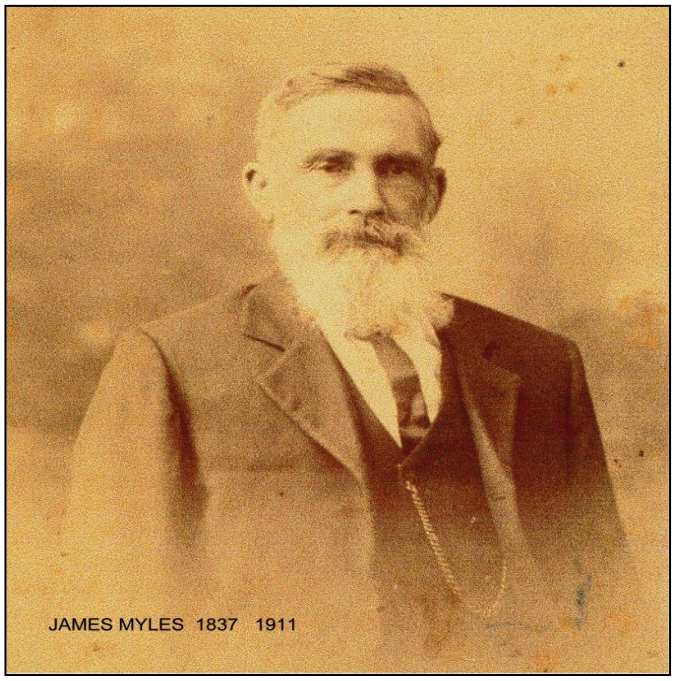
Catherine died 24-7-1872 at Palmers Oakey and was buried 2 days later in Sofala C of E.

JAMES MYLES

James Myles, born 1837 Scotland, occupation blacksmith/engineer came to Australia 1861.

James occupation would have made him very handy looking after the coach business, later he and 2 sons were at Bourke where he managed Cobb & Co. then went to Sydney and had their own business building coaches etc..

He was renowned for the terrible concoctions he made for drinkers in his wife's hostelry and may have been the inspiration for Henry Lawsons story of Poison Jimmy Myles.



HENLEY

Richard 19 and his brother Henry 17, were charged with stealing nine chairs on 21 April 1835 from their employer Harriet Augusta Tanner. The chairs were valued at 11 Pounds and 11 shillings and made of Honduras wood. Harriet Tanner was a widow who made her living by manufacturing furniture, She lived in New Street, City Road, London and employed Henry on a casual basis,
On the 21st of April, Henry was employed to assist Mrs. Tanner move an easy chair and eight dining room chairs from Cheapside to High St.. While Mrs Tanner was conducting her business, Henry disappeared. She returned to the truck to see Henry just turning into Oxford Street. Although she tried to follow him , he managed to escape and when he didn't return by 8 o'clock she notified the police. When the police investigated, they found that Henrys brother Richard had sold the furniture to William Smith who lived at No 94 York Street, Westminster
Richard and Henry pleaded guilty and although Mrs. Tanners brother Frederick Henry Brown gave Henry a good character they were both sentenced to seven years transportation.

After arrival in Australia, Richard was assigned to Edward Stanton in Raymond Terrace He obtained a Ticket Of Leave in 1840 for the district of Port Stephens, and applied to marry Many Chapman at Paterson. In 1842 he was issued with a certificate of freedom. Their first two children, Richard Joseph and Henry were born in 1843 and 1845 while the family lived near Singleton. When John was born in 1848 they were living in Pitt St Sydney. When James William 1850 and Caroline Victoria, 1853 were born, Richard was living in Goulburn Street, Sydney and working as a sawyer.

Richard also tried his hand at gold mining and later became a hotelkeeper at Wattle Fiat where he died 1855 . He was buried at Sofala and three years later his widow married **James Dyson (See Dyson Tree)**

The first boy Richard Joseph married Mary Ann Reynolds in Bathurst and they moved to the Upper Turon area and lived there until the mid 1880's and then moved to Sydney. In all they had 13 children.

HENLEY

1. **Richard Henley** b. 1815, London, m. 1841, in Paterson, **Mary Chapman** b. 1826, Kent England, (daughter of James Chapman and Marshall) d. 08-06-1909, Wolgan, buried: 11-06-1909, Pipers Flat. Richard died 00-08-1855, Wattle Flat. 1840. Had a hotel at Wattle Flat. Mary:Arrived Aust 1838 **See Dyson Tree**. On her wedding cert. father James. on death cert George.

Children:

	i	Mary Jane Henley	b. 00-00-1841,	d. 1845, Benevolent Asylum Sydney.
2.	ii	Richard Joseph Henley	b. 00-00-1843.	
3.	iii	Henry Henley	b. 00-00-1845.	
	iv	John P Henley	b. 00-00-1848, Sydney,	d. 1881, Bathurst.
	v	James William Henley	b. 00-00-1850, Sydney.	
4.	vi	Caroline Victoria Henley	b. 00-00-1853.	

Second Generation

2. **Richard Joseph Henley** b. 1843, Hunter River, m. 10-08-1862, in Bathurst, **Mary Ann Reynolds** b.1845, Parramatta, d. 13-07-1898, Parramatta, buried: 16-07-1898, Rookwood. Richard died 10-07-1893, Redfern, buried: Rookwood.
Mary: Father Joseph, mother Margaret Ward

Children:

	i	Richard Henley	b. 00-00-1863, Palmers Oakey,	d. 23-05-1941, Granville.
	ii	Margaret Henley	b. 00-00-1865, Palmers Oakey,	d. 01-07-1865, Palmers Oakey, b P. O.
	iii	Bridget Mary Henley	b. 00-00-1866.	
6.	iv	Mary Jane Henley	b. 00-00-1868.	
7.	v	Joseph Eusebious Henley	b. 00-00-1870.	
	vi	William Andrew Henley	b. 21-09-1872, Tambaroora,	d. 09-01-1944, Sydney.
8.	vii	Caroline Mary Henley	b. 00-00-1874.	
9.	viii	Henry Henley	b. 00-00-1876.	
	ix	Annie Henley	b. 00-00-1879, Palmers Oakey,	d. 1879, Palmers Oakey, buried: P. O.
	x	John Patrick Henley	b. 00-00-1881, Bathurst,	d. 1881, Bathurst.
	xi	Mary I Henley		d. 1886, Sydney.
10.	xii	Alice Theresa Henley	b. 00-00-1884.	
11.	xiii	Ellen Gertrude Henley	b. 13-03-1887.	

3. **Henry Henley** b. 1845, Hunter River, m. 23-11-1868, in Tambaroora, **Emma Hayward** , b. 1853, Kent England, d. 21-02-1923, Waterloo, buried: Rookwood. Henry died 05-02-1908, St Leonards, buried: Gore Hill.

Children:

	i	Henry Henley	b. 00-00-1869, Tambaroora.	
12.	ii	Edith Marion Henley	b. 00-00-1871.	
	iii	Richard John Henley	b. 00-00-1873, Hill End.	
	iv	Alexander Henley	b. 00-00-1874, Hill End,	d. 1875.
	v	Maud Henley	b. 00-00-1876, Hill End, m.?	**Howard**
13.	vi	Arthur Andrew Henley .	b. 00-00-1878.	
	vii	Emma Beatrice Henley	b. 00-00-1880, Sydney,	m. 1901, in Sydney, **Augustine F Ebert** .
	viii	Ivy C Henley	b. 00-00-1882, Sydney.	
	ix	James Henley	b. 00-00-1883, St Leonards,	d. 1883, St Leonards.
	x	George E Henley	b. 00-00-1884, St Leonards, m. 1910, in Annandale, **Iley M E Walters**	
	xi	Mary J E Henley	b. 00-00-1886, Waterloo.	
	xii	Ellen G Henley	b. 00-00-1886, St Leonards,	m. 1903, in Sydney, **Thompson .**
	xiii	Leslie Haywood Henley	b. 02-02-1889, St Leonards, m. 1913, in Redfern, **Kathleen W McMahon** . Leslie died 1958.	

4. **Caroline Victoria Henley** b. 1853, Sydney, m. 15-09-1868, in the house of James Dyson, **Alexander McIntyre** ,

b. 1834, London, d. 02-11-1886, Balmain, buried: Balmain. Caroline died 23-01-1925, Palmers Oakey, buried: 25-01-1925, Palmers Oakey. After her husbands death c 1886, she appears to have had 3 children. Was living with W J (Jack) Wilkinson from the early 1900s till her death. **Alexander:** Lived at Palmers Oakey 1856-86 **See McIntyre Tree**

Children:

i	Mary Ellen Henley	b.1889, Palmers Oakey, m. 1924, in Lithgow, **Walter Stanley Guihot** . Mary died 03-05-1965, buried: Palmers Oakey. **See Wilkinson Tree**
ii	William J W McIntyre	b. 1894, Palmers Oakey. also registered as Henley, known as Wilkinson
iii	Samuel T W McIntyre	b. 1896, Palmers Oakey. also registered as Henley, known as Wilkinson

Third Generation

5. **Bridget Mary Henley** b. 1866, Palmers Oakey, m. (1) 31-12-1887, in Liverpool, **Albert Knox** , b. 1866, Berlin, m. (2)-1892, **William King** , b.-1886, m. (3) -1920, **Richard Ginman** , b. -1886. Bridget d 21-10-1940, Sydney, b Rookwood.

Children by Albert Knox:

14.	i	Mary Jane Emily Knox	b. 00-00-1886.
	ii	Louise May Knox	b. 31-08-1889, Waterloo.
	iii	Hanna Florence Knox	b. 01-09-1891, Nt Botany.

6. Ma**ry Jane Henley** b.-1868, Tambaroora, m. 29-11-1884, in Sydney, **Lewis W Coward** . Mary died 04-09-1938,Sydney.

Children:

i	James Coward	
ii	Louisa M Coward	

7. **Joseph Eusebious Henley** b. 1870, Tambaroora, m. **Martha A Hamilton** . Joseph died 16-05-1930, Windsor.

Children:

i	Evelyn S J Henley .
ii	Richard J Henley .
iii	Marjory J Henley .
iv	Joseph A Henley .
v	Edna Henley .

8. **Caroline Mary Henley** b. 1874, Palmers Oakey, m. (1) 1895, in New Angledool, **Robert S Couch ,** m. (2) 11-09-1901, in St Pauls Sydney, **William Henry Anderson** , m. (3) 14-07-1910, in St Pauls Sydney, **Lee Bryant** . Caroline died 06-11-1940, at 15 Botany St Redfern, buried: 08-11-1940, Rookwood.

Children by Robert S Couch:

i	Elsie May Henley	b. 16-10-1893, Waterloo.

9. **Henry Henley** b. 1876, Sofala, m. 1898, in Sydney, **Hanna Hefferran** . Henry died 1942, Chatswood.

Children:

i	Lily M Henley	b. 00-00-1898, Waterloo,	d. 1898, Waterloo.

10. **Alice Theresa Henley** b. 1884, Waterloo, m. (1) 20-11-1902, in Sydney, **William McGee** , m. (2) 1916, in Sydney **John H Hobourn** Alice died 1952, Redfern.

Children by John H Hobourn:

i	Pearlie E M Hobourn .
ii	Maurice B Hobourn .
iii	Nellie M Hobourn .
iv	Sylvia C Hobourn .
v	John H Hobourn

11. **Ellen Gertrude Henley** b. 13-03-1887, Waterloo, m. 20-08-1903, **Frederick Baker** . Ellen died 00-12-1980.

Children:

i	Frederick R Baker .
ii	Alice A Baker .
iii	George W Baker .
iv	Ernest N Baker .
v	Stanley A Baker.
vi	Henry C Baker .
vii	Florence E Baker .

12. **Edith Marion Henley** b. 1871, Tambaroora, m. -1901, in Sydney, **Charles H Stuart** .

Children:

i	Marjorie Stuart	b. 00-00-1902, Sydney.

13. **Arthur Andrew Henley** b. 1878, Hill End, m. (1) 1899, in Sydney, **Henrietta C Harris** , m. (2) 1908, in St Leonards, **Caroline J Marts** . Arthur died 1955.

Children by Henrietta C Harris:

15.	i	Arthur L Henley	b. 00-00-1900.

Children by Caroline J Matts:

	ii	Ivy C Henley	b. 00-00-1908, St Leonards.
	iii	Henry J Henley	b. 00-00-1910, St Leonards.
	iv	Arthur A Henley	b. 00-00-1912, Paddington, m. 1933, in Manley, **Lillian M Johnston** .
	v	Norman Henley	b. 00-00-1915, St Leonards.
	vi	Leslie Raymond Henley	m. 1939, in Waverley, **Gloria Kathleen Dean** .
	vii	George Henley	d. 1942, Manly.

Fourth Generation

14. **Mary Jane Emily Knox** b. 1886, Waterloo, m. 05-10-1909, in Redfern, **George Edward Partlett** b.30-01-1886, Argyle St The Rocks. Mary died 1913, Sydney.

Children:

i	George Edward Partlett	b. 00-00-1909,	m.	**?? Tate**
ii	Charles Henry Partlett	b. 00-00-1911,	m.	**? Gillis** . Charles died 1989, Sydney.

15. **Arthur L Henley** b. 1900, St Leonards, m. 1921, in St Leonards, **Catherine M Baragry**

Children:

i	Stillborn M	b. 00-00-1936.

HYDE

The first Hyde connection to Palmers Oakey I can find is John Hyde
John Hyde born 1817-1820 in Gloucestershire. Two possible dates from John Hyde in Gloucestershire
1) John Hyde son of William and Elizabeth Hyde baptised 18th November 1819 in Dursley
2) John Hyde son of Thomas and Ann Hyde baptised 14th November 1824 in Maugersbury, Stow on the Wold. Thomas was a shoemaker - possible connection!!
He arrived in Australia some time before 1851. He was probably not a convict, as there is no recording of a John Hyde being transported to NSW in the right time period.
3) John Hyde son of Henry and Ann Hyde christened 25th May 1817 Uley, Gloucester, England.
There is no record of John Hyde in the 1841 NSW census, so it is probable that he came to NSW some time after that. The only record that I can find of a John Hyde coming to Australia at around the right time period is an assisted immigrant who arrived in Port Philip 30/7/1841, on the "Wesiminster", which sailed from Plymouth.
So this may be our John Hyde. I don't know!

John Hyde married Bridget McCabe in July 1851 in St Bernard's Roman Catholic Church, Hartley NSW

The marriage is not listed in the NSW Births Deaths and Marriages Indexes. I haven't checked the Hartley electoral rolls for that year, so don't know whether it is recorded there or not.
John and Bridget Hyde moved to Turon, near Sofala, where their first child **Albert Henry Hyde** was born 16th July 1852 (His birth was registered as Henry) He was baptised on the 5th December 1852 in the Parish of Sofala. The ceremony was performed by Eugene Luckie (Roman Catholic). On Albert's baptism certificate, John's occupation is stated as a gold miner.
John and Bridget's second child was **Annie Hyde**, born 1853 in NSW.
Their third child was born **Francis Hyde**, born 26th February 1857 in Ration Hill, Sofala. His name was not given at the time of registration, but added later as Francis on the birth certificate. John Hyde's occupation on Francis' birth certificate is a goldminer, his age as 36 and his place of origin as Gloucestershire, England. John Hyde was the informant for the birth, and the witnesses were Thomas Andrews (Surgeon) and Mrs Gettens (Nurse)
The next record of either is Bridget's death on the 2nd December 1872. She died in Bathurst, so it can be assumed that John Hyde was living in Bathurst at that time. Also, it says that the duration of her last illness was 4 years, so perhaps they were living in Bathurst from 1868. Their second child married in Bathurst in 1871 as well, so it is likely that they were living in Bathurst during the late 1860's, and early 1870's.
The next reference to John Hyde is in the 1872 NSW Electoral rolls, where his occupation is stated as an innkeeper at Arthur's Oakey (Near Sofala). He is also recorded as being an innkeeper in 1875, at Arthur's Oakey. In 1878 John is recorded as living at Turon River, near Sofala.
On Albert Henry's marriage certificate from 1879 John's occupation is listed as a shoemaker. John Hyde died 19th April 1880 of 'softening of the brain', in Sofala Hospital. His occupation was listed as a shoemaker, and his duration of illness was three months. His age was given as 63 years. The surgeon's name was Henry Hinton. He was buried 21st April 1880 in the Church of England Cemetery in Sofala. William Taylor was the undertaker, and J. P. Oblis was the Church of England clergyman to bury him. The witnesses to the burial were William Viugus and James Phont.

Bridget McCabe

Bridget McCabe was born 1832 in County Cavan, Ulster, Ireland. On Bridget's death certificate her parents are listed as John McCabe (Farmer) and Ann Gow. Again, she came to Australia some time before 1851, when she married John Hyde in Hartley, NSW, at the age of 19 (According to her death certificate). She may have come as an assisted immigrant on the *"Canton*" from London, arriving in Sydney on 12 June 1848. There is a Bridget McCabe arriving on that ship, aged 20 years. Her occupation was a dairy maid, her religion Roman Catholic and she was unable to read or write. She came from Bailey Bow in County Cavan, Ireland.
She and John had three children, Albert Henry, Annie and Frank Hyde.
Bridget died on 2nd December 1872 in Bathurst District hospital of breast cancer, aged 40 years. She had the disease for four years. The informant of her death was S. Audith (tenant of District hospital). She was buried in Bathurst on 5th December 1872. She was buried by a Roman Catholic Priest, John McCauliffe, and the witnesses to her burial were _____Martin and (illegible

Children of John Hyde and Bridget McCabe

1) **Albert Henry Hyde** b. 16th July 1852 at Turon, near Sofala. His name was registered as Henry Hyde on his baptism certificate. He was baptised in the parish of Sofala 5th December 1852 by Eugene Luckie, Roman Catholic. Albert's occupation was listed as a miner in 1875, and he lived at Turon. The next information I have is that he married Mary Jones in the registry office at Young on 2nd January 1879. His usual place of residence in 1879 was Spring Creek, a gold mining area 5 km west of Young, and his occupation was a labourer.
Albert and Mary's first child was born in Young, NSW in 1879, so we know that Albert stayed in Young. However, in 1880 his residence is recorded as being in Sofala. He may have moved to be closer to his father (who died that year, and Henry Hyde (Albert) registered the death). Their next three children were also born in Sofala, so Albert and Mary must have remained in the Sofala area until at least 1888.
However, Henry Hyde is listed on the electoral roll for Young in 1888-89, living at Spring Creek (probably with his wife's relatives) Their fifth child was born in Sunny Corner in 1890. The father's name is registered as Robert H Hyde, not Albert, which is a bit weird! Their sixth child was born in Bathurst in 1892 and so Albert and Mary must have moved to Bathurst sometime between 1888 and 1892.
Henry Hyde is recorded on the electoral roll for 1900 living in Dark Corner, working as a miner.
Albert Henry died of cardiac failure and tuberculosis on 21st March 1903 in Gundagai, NSW. His occupation was listed as a general labourer, and he had had the illness for six years. He was buried 22nd March 1903 in the Church of England Cemetery at Gundagai. The death notice published in the Gundagai Times is as follows:
A middle aged man named Hyde, who until lately had been working at Reno, and formerly at Sunny Corner, died at his home in Hanley St, Gundagai on Saturday from phthisis. He had been suffering for five years. He leaves a wife and family. The remains were interred in the Church of England Cemetery on Sunday afternoon, the funeral expenses being defrayed by the Benevolent Society.

2) Annie Hyde b. 1853 in NSW(RegistrationVlSS362l 71/1853). Again I don't know anything of her childhood or adolescence. She married Kenneth Macleod in 1871 in Bathurst, NSW ~Reg. 1564) which suggests that she was living in Bathurst (perhaps with her parents) for the period before that. However, they moved back to Sofala around 1873 and stayed there until 1878, where their three children were born. **Annie See McLeod Tree.**

3) Francis James Hyde b. 26-02-1857 in Ration Hill, Sofala (registered in Bathurst, Reg. No. 4778/1857). He lived in Upper Turon in 1875. They stayed in Sofala for the next twenty years or so, producing a total of eleven children. He is recorded on the electoral roll for Sofala in 1900, working as a miner at Palmers Oakey. Francis Hyde's occupation on electoral rolls was given as a boot-maker, like his father, as well as a miner. Francis James Hyde is listed on electoral rolls for 1921 to 1930, working as a miner at Palmer's Oakey. Francis died in 1940 in Bathurst ~Reg. 5519). His wife died in 1906 in Sofala (Reg. 10624 -daughter of John and Katherine)

Children of Albert Hyde and Mary Jones

Edward John Hyde b. 3rd October 1879 in Young NSW (Reg. 26769). He was baptised at St John's Church Young on 27th October 1879. His parents were living at Spring Creek at the time of his baptism. He must have moved to Sofala with his parents in 1880, and stayed there until 1890, when the family moved to Sunny Corner, then Bathurst in 1892 There is an Edward Hyde living at George St. Bathurst in 1900 and working as a cabman. He may have moved to Gundagai with the rest of his family around 1901. He is listed on his father's death certificate in 1903 as being aged 22. The next piece of information about Edward John Hyde is that he moved to Victoria, where he married Jane Alma Grandy 12th August 1907 at 101 Gore St Fitzroy, Victoria. His occupation is listed as a miner at the time of their marriage, and his place of occupation is Diamond Creek in Victoria- I don't know who Jane Alma's parents were.

Jane Alma and Edward must have stayed in Victoria until 1909, because their first two children were born in Richmond, Victoria. Probably Edward John was still working as a miner there. After 1909, though, they moved to Sydney, where their third child was born in Auburn in 1911. They appear on the electoral roll for Leichhardt in 1913, living at 70 Annesley St. and working as a tram conductor. He is listed on the electoral roll for Lidcombe in 1916 as living at Stanley Road, Lidcombe, with no occupation. At the same address is Jane Alma Hyde. He contracted tuberculosis and died at Rookwood asylum, Sydney in 1916 (Reg.16282) After Edward's death in 1916, Jane Alma Hyde (nee Grandy) put her two surviving children into care at Dilmackie Homes in Auburn, and they spent their younger years there. After this, she spent most of her life at Woy Woy in NSW, but died in 1983 in Taree NSW aged 96 years of age.

Jane Annie Hyde, was born in 1881 in Sofala, NSW (Reg. 11284). She lived there until after 1888, and moved to Sunny Corner with her family in 1890, and Bathurst in 1892. She then moved to Gundagai with her parents, and had Samuel P Hyde (father unknown), who was born in 1901 in Gundagai ~NSW Index Number 3769/1901). He was baptised as Charles Samuel Poatt Hyde on 3rd April 1901 at the Anglican Church in Gundagai (Source - Canberra-Goulburn Anglican Church Registration Index). I don't know what happened to Charles Hyde - he doesn't appear to have died in NSW, but he also isn't listed in the death notice for Jane Annie Hyde in the Sydney Morning Herald. She may have had him adopted? Her father also died there in 1903. Jane Annie is on her father's death certificate in 1903 as Jane A. Hyde, aged 20. She is recorded on the NSW electoral rolls as living at Sheridan St in Gundagai in 1903, along with her mother in Hanley St.

They are both also in Gundagai on the 1906 rolls, with Mary Hyde still living in Hanley St but Jane Annie having moved to Punch St. On the 1909 electoral roll, Jane Annie is still living at Punch St in Gundagai, but there is no record of a Mary Hyde. Jane Annie is recorded at Maquarie Rd, Auburn, Sydney in 1913. She also married Walter Norman Hutchison in 1913, at Granville, Sydney (Reg 6357)

They had a son, William Henry Hutchison in 1913 in Granville, Sydney. (Reg. 42841) The Hutchisons are listed on the electoral roll for 1916 in Lidcombe, Sydney NSW. Walter's occupation is listed as a labourer. They are still there on the electoral rolls in 1921-1922, living at Third Avenue, Lidcombe. They had other children, but it must have been after 1918. One of their children, Norman V. Hutchison died 20th October1933 aged 12 in Auburn NSW. He is buried at the Church of England Section of Rookwood Cemetery, grave 209933. In Jane Annie's death notice in the Sydney Morning Herald, Jane Annie Hutchison's children are listed as William, John (deceased), Norman (deceased) and Anne.

This is a transcript of the death notice:

Jane Annie Hutchison, December 20, 1964, of 20 Third Avenue, Berala. Dearly loved wife of Walter Norman Hutchison, loved mother of William, John (deceased), Norman (deceased) and Anne, fond sister of Ada. Aged 83 years. At rest. Funeral 21st December 1964 at Rookwood Crematorium by Labour Motor Funerals.

William Thomas Hyde born 1883 in Sofala, NSW (Reg. 12555) I assume he lived with the family in Sofala, before they moved to Sunny Corner by 1888, and then to Bathurst by 1892. The next that we know of him is in 1903, when he married Amelia Townsend in Sydney (Reg. 2156). So some time between 1892 and 1903 he must have left his family and moved to Sydney. They stayed in Sydney for the next two years, producing two children. They are recorded on the electoral roll for Golden Grove in 1909, Living at 85 Caroline St Redfern. His occupation was listed as a coal lumper. He enlisted for service at Lidcombe, Sydney NSW for the First World War. He was accepted and received the title of Private William Thomas Hyde, 30th Battalion, army. One of Ada's brothers enlisted, but died of meningitis at a training camp before leaving Australia. I think that this is probably William Thomas, because he died on 17th November 1915 (Reg. 19099) in Auburn NSW. He was buried at the Church of England Cemetery at Rookwood (Grave 3205/6, Section 6). He is also listed (number 117) on the Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour Memorial Panel. The son of Amelia and William Thomas Hyde,

William E. Hyde (b 1905) died in 1905 at Hurstville or Balmain North. In the NSW BDM's, an Amelia Hyde married Oswill Leonard Clarke at Glebe in 1938. Perhaps this the same Amelia Hyde that was married to William Thomas.

Of William Thomas and Amelia?s children, we know that two of them died in childhood or adolescence (Norman and William E). Of the other child that is known, Charlotte, she married John J. Lynch in Sydney in 1923.

Albert Edwin Hyde born 1886 in Sofala, NSW. He probably lived in Sofala (1886-1888), Sunny Corner and Bathurst with his parents in the 1890's, then relocating to Gundagai around 1901. In 1908 he is recorded on the Electoral rolls living at Coolac, working as a labourer. He is listed on the 1909 electoral roll as living in Tumut, and working as a blacksmith. He moved back to Sydney after this, and is recorded on the electoral roll in Lidcombe, Sydney NSW in 1915, living at Cockthorpe Rd. and working as a labourer. He continued on the electoral roll at the same address for 1916. He enlisted for the army on 12/8/1918, and was accepted. He became Private Albert Edwin Hyde Regimental No. 66219, 57th Battalion. He wasn't killed, and returned to Australia in 1919. He is recorded on the 1921 Lidcombe electoral roll, living at 8 Cockthorpe Rd, working as a labourer. He married Ellen Neatsby (or Nellie Neatby) in 1930 in Auburn (Reg. 734/1930). They appear on the electoral roll for Lidcombe in 1934 living at 11 Board St. Albert Edwin's occupation is listed as a labourer, and Ellen is listed as Nellie, occupation home duties. They then moved to 5 Second Avenue, Berala in 1936 where Albert Edwin's occupation is given as a labourer, and Nellie is listed as home duties. Albert Edwin died in 1938 at Randwick, NSW (Reg. 16146). His widow Nellie is listed as living at 57 1st Avenue Lidcombe in 1941.

Ada Hyde b. 1886 in East Maquarie (near Sunny Corner) NSW (Reg. 15792). She must have moved with her family to Bathurst in 1892, then to Dark Corner in 1900 and probably to Gundagai around 1901. The next we hear of Ada is in 1907, when she had a child in Gundagai!!! We know that her mother and sister were living in Gundagai between 1906 and 1909, so she probably stayed with one of them. The child was called Allan Victor Hyde, and the father is listed as unknown on the birth certificate.

However, on the Canberra- Goulburn parish registers for the Church of England, when Allan Victor Hyde was baptised in 1908, his parents are listed as Joseph O'Dwyer and Ada Hyde. So know who Allan's father was! Joseph O'Dwyer is listed on the electoral rolls in Gundagai

in 1908 and 1909, working as a horse trainer. We know that Ada stayed in Gundagai for at least the next year, because Allan died on 15th January 1908, aged seven weeks and was buried in Gundagai Church of England Cemetery. In 1910 she produced another child, Robert Henry Hyde in Murrumburrah (near Harden) NSW. Murrumburrah

Ada had Robert Henry Hyde baptised in Young, and is listed as living at Spring Creek, Young on the baptism record. (St John's Church, Young). Ada put Robert Henry into Burnside Homes on 28 November 1914. (Info from Burnside Records). His birthplace was given as Harden, and his mother was Ada Brooks. Ada had a third child (father unknown) called Sidney Phyllis in Albury in 1912. There is no record of Phyllis being put into care at Burnside Homes (Info from Burnside Records). Phyllis believed that her father may have been a Robert Aldridge who came from Temora. She recollected him visiting her mother when she was a child, and him saying to Ada 'if you are the Ada Hyde I knew, you would never forget me'. Phyllis was given a dress and a swimming costume by him, and he took her on an outing.

The next time that Ada Hyde pops up is on the 1913 Electoral roll, where she is recorded living at Wombat Road, Young. I don't know whether she was living by herself or not, but in 1913 there were at least five of her Jones cousins, aunties and uncles living in Spring Creek and Young.

Ada Hyde is on the electoral roll for 1915 as living at Wombat Rd, Young. In 1915 she also married Charles Sharpe in Granville (near Parramatta), Sydney NSW. At this time, she removed Robert Henry from the Home. She is recorded as living at 'Pyree", Kerrs Road, Lidcombe with Charles Samuel Sharpe in 1915 and 1916. Their first child Eleanor J. Sharpe was born in 1916 in Auburn. They were living at St John's Road Auburn during 1916, according to electoral rolls. They stayed in Auburn for at least the next year, where their second child Charles Cecil Sharpe (Chappie?) was born in 1917. They must have moved after 1917, because they are not listed on the electoral rolls for Auburn or Lidcombe in 1921. In 1922, Charles Samuel and Ada Sharpe are listed on the electoral roll in Lidcombe, living at Nottinghill Road. It seems that Ada and Charles got married a number of times after 1915 (which seems strange), always to each other, but in a number of different places, 4 of her sons fought in World War II. Ada Sharpe (nee Hyde) and her husband joined the Church of Christ at some point, and it became a big part of their lives. Ada also worked at a chemist's shop around Homebush for a time as well. She used to catch the same train as my Gran for about twenty years, and they used to get off at the same stop, but they never knew that they were grandparent and grand daughter. She was always very neat and together, with red hair tied back in a bun. She had 'a very straight back, and held herself very well. She had an incredible quietness about her, a presence that made you notice her.' (Gran). She must have carried a lot of secrets, which she took to the grave with her. When Ada was dying, Phyllis, her daughter begged and screamed at Ada to tell her who her father was, but she just said, 'it is best left alone', or something to that effect, and died without ever telling her.

So Ada is a veritable mystery in many ways. She was religious, quiet and gentle, but hid so many secrets about her life. Why wouldn't she tell her own daughter, when she was crying, begging, shouting at her, on her deathbed, who her father was? What life circumstances led her to have three illegitimate children, the first when she was only nineteen? Why did she move around so much in the time when she had her first three children (from Gundagai to Murrumburrah to Albury)? Another question is whether the children that she produced before 1915 had the same father. She may have followed the same man from place to place, while he looked for work, or had a job that involved travel. Phyllis, Ada's daughter, told Gran about an experience that she had when she was young, which suggested that a man called Bob Aidridge living in Temora may have been her father. There is a Robert Baxter Aldridge living in Termora in the 1900's, who worked as a saddler. Looking up Sharp(e)s in the BDMs and electoral rolls turns up some interesting correlations, but not really anything substantial. Sharpe - Charles Samuel: Born in 1874 at Box Hill in Victoria (according to his marriage certificate). His father was John Sharpe. He was a widower when he married Ada Sharpe in 1915, living at Pyree', Kerrs Road, Lidcombe and working as a labourer. They moved to St John's Rd, Auburn in 1917, and then I don't know where they went between 1917 and 1921. In 1921, Charles and Ada are listed on the electoral roll for Lidcombe, living at Nottinghill Road, and Charles still working as a labourer. They are on the electoral rolls for the same address for 1925, 1926, 1928 and 1930. Ada and Charles Samuel Sharpe moved to Magney Avenue, Regent's Park by 1936, and Charles Samuel worked as an engine room attendant. They rented a dairy and cows in Magney Avenue from this time, and held Sunday School (Church of Christ) classes and showed lantern slides in the bales. Charles Samuel Sharpe died in February 1953, and his funeral notice published in the Sydney Morning Herald (24th February) as follows: The friends and relatives of Mrs Ada Sharpe and family are kindly invited to attend the funeral of her dearly loved husband and their dear father, father-in-law and grandfather, Charles Samuel Sharpe. To leave his late residence, 8 Magney Avenue, Regent's Park for the Church of England cemetery, Rookwood. Labour Motor Funerals Ltd, South Terrace, Bankstown. Ada stayed in Magney Avenue until 1959, when her son (Arthur Kevin) sold her house and she had to move elsewhere. She and her son Noel Ernest Sharpe moved to Cabramatta, Sydney in 1960, where they lived at Lot 34, Dan Crescent. This became 39 Dan Crescent Lansvale by 1963. They stayed here until Ada's death on 5/10/1977. (At Liverpool Hospital) After Ada Sharpe died, she was cremated and my grandmother ended up with her ashes. They stayed in the house for about twenty years before Gran decided to have a memorial service at St David's Close in Red Hill, Canberra ACT, at 4:30 pm on Monday 15th June 1998. Ada's ashes are now in the garden there, and there is a small plaque on the wall.

Frank Hyde b. 1890 in Sunny Corner, NSW. (Reg. 33081). He went to the First World War, as Private Frank Hyde, number 280 in the 1st Battalion. Frank Hyde is recorded on the 1913 electoral roll, living with his mother Mary Hyde at Cockthorpe Rd Lidcombe. He enlisted on 1.2. 1916; and returned to Australia after the war. There is a Frank Hyde listed living at 3 Cockthorpe Rd. Lidcombe in 1915, 1916 and 1921, 1922, 1925, 1926, and 1928. His occupation is listed as an invalid and there is a Mary Hyde (Frank's mother?) living at the same address. In 1934, he and Mary had moved from Cockthorpe St to 118 Francis St, and his occupation is still listed as an invalid. They stayed at 118 Francis St from 1934 to around 1947, when they moved to 304 Park Rd, Berala. Mary Hyde died in Berala on 8 December 1950. Frank then moved to live at 8 Magney Avenue, Regent's Park, and he died there on 5th June 1955. This is the transcript of his death notice published in the Sydney Morning Herald.

Frank Hyde June 5 1955 of 8 Magney Avenue, Regent's Park. Loved brother of Annie (Mrs Hutchison), Ada (Mrs Sharpe) and dear brother -in-law of Walter, Nellie and Cora. Aged 65 Years. At rest. Funeral 6th June At Labour Motor Funerals1 121 Rawson St Auburn. Frank Hyde was buried at the Church of England section of Rookwood Cemetery (Grave 3207/6).

Robert Henry Hyde b. 1892 in Bathurst (Reg. 20908). He must have moved to Gundagai with his family before 1903, where I think he stayed with his mother until around 1907. There is a record of a Robert Hyde (labourer) in Kelso(near Bathurst) in 1913, which I think is probably him. However, he moved to Lidcombe before 1916, because he is recorded as living at Cockthorpe Rd, working as a furnace man during 1915, 1916 and 1921. He enlisted for the army as well (I think), and there is a listing of Lance Corporal Robert Henry Hyde (No. 2727), 1st Battalion. He enlisted on 6/8/1915, and returned to Australia on 10/1/1918. After he came back, he married Cora Stewart in Auburn in 1927 (Reg. 16126). They had a daughter called Cora, who died in 1928 (Reg. 5635). He and Cora moved to Lidcombe, and are recorded on the electoral rolls in 1930 living at 30 Cambridge St. Robert Henry was working as a labourer. Cora and Robert

William E. Hyde b. 1905 d. 1905 in Sydney.

Children of Annie Hyde and Kenneth Macleod SEE McLEOD TREE

•Children of Francis Hyde (b. 1857 at Ration Hill, Sofala) and Mary Ann Jackson

John Henry Hyde b. 1880 (Reg. 2448) Sofala d. 1881 in Sofala (Reg 5254)
Bridget Hyde b. 1881 in Sofala (Reg. 11267). She appears on the electoral roll for Sofala in 1908 and 1909, at Palmer's Oakey. She married William Francis Theobald (born 1882 in Sofala, son of Henry and Eliza Jane) in 1910 in Bathurst **SEE THEOBALD TREE**

Arthur Thomas Hyde b. 1883 in Sofala (Reg. 12518) He appears on the electoral roll in 1908 and 1909 in Sofala, working as a miner at Palmer's Oakey He married Amelia Ann Theobald in 1917 in Sydney, Arthur was working as a miner at Palmer's Oakey, and in the 1928 Sand's directory, he is listed as a mail contractor at Palmer's Oakey. Arthur Thomas Hyde died on September 4th 1962, and the following obituary was published in the Lithgow Mercury on Friday September 7 1962:
The Capertee district lost one of it's oldest residents last weekend when Mr Arthur Thomas Hyde died at Portland District hospital aged 81 years. A native of Palmer's Oakey, he had lived in this district all his life. For a number of years, he was a railway fettler at Excelsior, but resigned and bought a grazing property at Upper Turon some thirty years ago. During the 1930's and until after WWII he was mailman on the Sofala- Palmer's Oakey run, driving a horse and sulky on the return trip twice weekly. About 10 days before his death, he had just returned to his home after inspecting his ewes and lambs when he became ill. He was conveyed to Portland Hospital, but died last Saturday afternoon. Although he did not take an active part in public affairs, Mr Hyde on many occasions proved himself to be an excellent neighbour by helping those in need. Before cars were so numerous, he on a number of occasions, drove his horse and sulky many miles at night to get a doctor for someone who was ill. He is survived by his widow, two sons Glen (Mick) on Lake Illawarra South and Thomas of Sydney, two daughters Ruby (Mrs E Bennett) and May (Mrs B Hill) both of Capertee, and one brother, Stan of Toorawerah. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon. The Reverend L Minton of Kandos conducted a service in St Augustine's Church, Capertee, and later at the graveside in the Church of England portion of Capertee cemetery. A line of cars over 1/2 a mile long carried dozens of people who were saying a sad farewell to one of the district's best known and most highly respected residents.
Amelia Annie Hyde (Theobald) died on 20th July 1978 at Blacktown District Hospital.. The Lithgow Mercury published the following:
Death Notice: *Hyde, Amelia Ann (Granny or Dot) July 20 1978 at Blacktown District Hospital, late of Capertee. Dearly loved wife of Arthur (deceased), loved mother of Ruby Bennett (Capertee), Glen (Mick, Narromine), Tom (Capertee) and Mary Sullivan (Tregear). Dear Granny to her 14 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Fond brother) of Fred Theobald (Leichheardt) Aged 81 years. Rest in Peace.*
Funeral Notice: *A funeral for the late Amelia Ann Hyde (Granny or Dot) of Capertee will be held in St Augustine's Anglican Church, Capertee on Monday at 3:00 pm. At the conclusion of the service the carriage will proceed to the family grave, Anglican Cemetery, Capertee. Kerry Linegar, AFPA. 157 Mort St Lithgow.*
Press Article*: 'Granny' Hyde's funeral. Buried at Capertee. The funeral was conducted at Capertee on Monday afternoon of Palmer's Oakey district identity, Mrs Amelia Ann (Granny or Dot) Hyde of Bandanora St Capertee, who died last Thursday morning in Blacktown District Hospital at the age of 81 years. Born at Palmer's Oakey, one of the seventeen children of pioneers, Henry and Elizabeth Theobald, she married Arthur Thomas Hyde at Redfern. Her husband conducted the grazing property 'Bindawalla', on the Palmer's Oakey Rd, but the family home was in Capertee itself. Over the years Mrs Hyde had experienced hardships in life, but she asserted herself as an independent personality, yet with kindly disposition, and consequently enjoyed the respect of all that knew her. Twelve months ago she moved to Tregear to stay with her daughter and her family and had been a patient in Blacktown Hospital for a month before her death. Surviving are her two sons, Glen (Mick at Narromine), Tom (Capertee), her two daughters Ruby Bennett (Capertee), May Sullivan (Tregear), her 14 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Of all her brothers and sisters, only a brother, Fred Theobald (Leichhardt) survives. Mrs Hyde's husband, Arthur, died in September 1962, and she was predeceased by brothers Henry, Peter, Albert, John, Walter, William, Edward, Robert and Alexander and sisters Emma, Elizabeth, Eliza, May, Helena and Martha. On Monday the Rev. Roy Buckingham conducted a service at 3 pm at St Augustine's Anglican Church, Capertee. Such was the attendance that many people stood outside the church or waited in cars parked along Mudgee Road, and there was a profusion of floral tributes. At the graveside in the Church of England cemetery, Capertee, Mrs Hyde was buried beside her husband, and during the ceremony, Mr Buckingham also committed the cremated remains of Mrs Hyde's brother, Edward Theobald who died in June 1972. Pall bearers were four grandsons, Terry and Jim Bennett, Norman and Robert Hyde. Kerry Linegar, funeral director of MortSt, had care of arrangements.*

Katie A. Hyde b. 1884 (Reg. 14285) in Sofala, and died in 1903 in Mudgee, NSW.

Frank H. Hyde b. 1886 in Sofala. (Reg. 15513). He is recorded on the electoral roll for Sofala in 1908 and 1909, working as a miner at Palmer's Oakey. He married Isabella Violet Norman in 1909 in Redfern. Three children. Went to WWl rank of Cpl. Blinded 8-7-1917 .(Records show he was shell shocked in Belguim in June then 8-7-1917 wounded in action, gun shot wound to eyes, multi wounds to chest, leg, arm seriously ill) A son was a MacQuarrie St doctor in Sydney.

Beatrice A Hyde b. 1888 in Sofala.

Clara B Hyde. b. 1890 in Sofala.

Norman V. Hyde b. 1895

Jessie M. Hyde b. 1897 in Sofala. (Reg. 35569)

Stanley A J Hyde b. 1900 in Sofala (Reg.35529). He married Margaret Toffort in Rylestone in 1929. (Reg. 11027). Margaret Daisy Hyde (Toffort) died on 15-11- 1991 at Junee. The Mudgee Guardian of Tuesday November 19th 1991 published the following death notice . *Margaret Daisy Hyde (15-11-1991), at Junee; late of 30 Thomas St, Junee and formerly of Cudgegong. Dearly loved wife of Stan (deceased) and loving mother of Neville (Junee), and June (Mrs Malone, Mudgee). Aged 86 Years. At rest. Funeral 11:30 am St John's Anglican Church Mudgee on Wednesday 20th November.*
Their child, Neville Hyde, runs the Junee and district historical museum! (phone number 6924 2185)
Stanley Hyde died 6th May 1976, and is buried at Mudgee alongside his wife.

Children of Ada Hyde
Victor Allan b. 1907 (Reg. 35705) d. 1908 (Reg. 1639). Father listed as unknown on index to birth certificate, but on baptism index for Canberra Goulburn diocese, his father is given as Joseph O Dwyer. This may be Joseph Thomas O'Dwyer (horse trainer) who is on the electoral roll for Gundagai in 1907-1909. Died 15thJan 1908 in Gundagai
Robert Henry Hyde. b. July 7th 1910 Murrumburrah (Reg 29139). Father unknown. He was baptised on 16th November 1910 at St John's Church Young. His mother gives her address as Spring Creek on the baptism register. Robert Henry was admitted to Burnside Children's Home (13 Blackwood Place North Parramatta) on 28th November 1914. The information that they were given about him was that he was born in 1910 in Harden NSW, and that his mother was Ada Brooks. The records then just state that his mother remarried and removed him

from Burnside.There was no date mentioned for his discharge. He went to live with his mother and her husband after she married in 1915, in Granville, Sydney. Took the name of his step-father - Sharpe. He is listed on electoral rolls as living at 8 Clapham Road Sefton (working as a labourer) in 1936, along with Ada Violetta Sharpe. Married Ada Jennings on 7/3/1931. Children Gloria Joy Sharpe (11/09/1931) born Regent's Park, Dawn Sharpe b. 18/10/1933 at Regent's Park. and Merle Sharpe b. 13/6/1935 at Bankstown. He fought in WWII, (regimental number NX 51783, Army Ordnance Corps). And returned. He and Ada Jennings separated in 1937, and he is listed as living with his parents at Magney Avenue, Regent's Park in 1938, working as a draper. Ada Violetta Sharpe is listed as living at 8 Rodda St Seflon. Robert Henry Sharpe remained at Magney Avenue until 1947, and moved away until 1949 (the war?), when he is listed as living at 8 Magney Avenue, Regent's Park working as a salesman. 1954, where Robert Henry only is recorded as living with his mother at Magney Avenue. Robert Henry Sharpe is still there in 1958, at 20 Magney Avenue, and his name is given as Robert Henry George Sharpe. Manola Sharpe is listed on the electoral roll for Lidcombe in 1961, living at 25 Kent St Regent's Park. Robert Henry Sharpe is listed as living at his mothers house in 1968, (39 Dan Crescent Cabramatta), working as a mail officer., Robert (son of Robert Henry Sharpe and Augusta?, Queensland b. 1948,) who died of a massive heart attack in 1970, after swimming at Coogee beach. Robert Henry Sharpe died on 28-Sept 1973, aged 62. He was buried at the Church of England section of Rookwood Cemetery (grave 5435).

Phyllis Sidney Hyde b. 16/8/1912 in Albury, NSW (Reg. 25361). Father unknown. She married William John Davison in Newtown in 1936. In 1937 they are on the electoral roll at 33 Edgehill Rd (Phyllis home duties and William John textile worker). They moved to 17 Wells St Newtown in 1939. They are on the electoral roll living at 17 Wells St Camdenville in 1946, but William John was now working as a storeman. They stayed at 17 Wells St until 1998' Then they moved to Queensland, and are on the electoral roll living at 42 Jingella St, Hope Island in 1999. In 2000, Phyllis and William John Davison were living at 3 King's Park Circuit, Oxenford. In Feb 2000, their son Brian William moved to 3 King's Park's Circuit as well. In 2001 there was a William James Davison, Phyllis Sidney Davison and Brian William Davison living at 3 King's Park Crt, Oxenford. Phyllis died on 12th October 2001, at the Gold Coast. This is a transcript of the death notice published in the Sydney Morning Herald 15th October 2001:

Davison, Phyllis Sidney (nee Sharpe). October 12,2001. Suddenly at the Gold Coast, formerly of Newtown. Beloved wife of Bill, mother and mother-in-law of Brian and Joy, grandmother (Guile) of Rod and Tanya and Liane and Jim. Great grandmother of Michelle, Chantelle, Sarah, Matthew, Lachilan, Randal, Momque, Thomas, Connor, Billie and Jack. Aged 89 years. In God's loving care. Phyllis will be cremated at Stapleton (Gold Coast) on Wednesday (October 17 2001) at 12 Noon.

•**Eleanor Jean Sharpe** born 1916 in Auburn NSW (reg. 25351). She married JackArmstrong in Bankstown in 1933 (Reg. 10786).

•**Charles Cyril Sharpe 'Chappie"** born at Auburn, NSW in 3/1/1917 (Reg. 50903). He is on the electoral roll for Lidcombe Sth in 1941 living at 36 Mt Auburn Rd with Thelma Sharpe, and working as a storeman. He went to the second world war, (Service Number NX 85390), and enlisted at Paddington NSW. In 1947, his wife Thelma is on the electoral roll living by herself at 36 Mt Auburn Rd. In 1949, Charles Cyril Sharpe and Thelma Dorothy Sharpe had moved to 21 River Road, Rydalmere, and he was working as a process worker. I don't know what happened to them after that.

•**Noel Ernest Sharpe** born 19th November 1919. He enlisted in the army (Service Number NX 52859), enlisted in the field He never married, and lived with his mother until her death in 1977.

•**Kathleen Clarice Poppy' Sharpe** born 1926. She may have married Charles Noel Padfield in 1944 in Auburn (Reg. 134) As of 1998 she was living in Tasmania.

Henry Hyde moved to Regent's Park by 1936, and lived in Auburn Rd (Robert Henry was working as a labourer). In 1938 Cora and Robert Henry moved to 54 First Avenue, Berala, and then in 1941 they had moved to 12 Second Avenue, Lidcombe. Robert Henry Hyde's occupation is still given as a labourer. They stayed there till 1947. Robert Henry Hyde died on 19th July 1954, aged 62. He was buried in the Old Church of England section of Rookwood Cemetery (Plot 10787). The inscription reads Lance Corporal R.H. Hyde 2727, 1st Battalion.

Children of Edward John Hyde (b. 1879 in Young, NSW, d. 1916 Rookwood asylum and Jane Alma Grandy

Mary Hyde b. 1908 Richmond Victoria, d. 1912 Annandale NSW. (Reg. 14164)

John Henry Hyde. b. 12th December 1909 Richmond Victoria. After his father died, Alma put John Henry and his brother Edward into Dilmackie Homes in Auburn NSW, and they spent some years of their childhood there. John Henry was removed from the home by his mother some years later, and he married Eileen Cartwright in 1928. They divorced, and he married Alice Mary Leal in 1938 in Chatswood (Reg. 18992). He fought in the Second World War (Service No. ?), I don't know whether they had any children, but John Henry died in Taree in 1995, and Alice Mary Leal died in 1996 in Taree.

Edward Hyde b. 12/12/1911 Giadesville NSW. He also went to Dilmackie Homes in Auburn in 1916, and lived there for some years. Mrs Martin from Drummoyne removed him from the home, and he lived with her for some years. Edward married Doris Colenutt at St Bedes, Drummoyne in 1935 (Reg.. His occupations were listed as a timber worker in 1938 and a storeman in 1968. He also fought in the Second World War (Service No. NX 17397), enlisting at Rosebery NSW. He died of metastatic malignant melanoma in 1968 in Sydney, and was buried in the Northern Suburbs Lawn Cemetery, Sydney.

Children of William Thomas Hyde (b. 1883 in Sofala d. 1915 in Auburn') and Amelia Townsend.

Charlotte Sadie Hyde b. 1904 (Reg. in Auburn and married John J. Lynch in 1923 in Sydney. One of their children, June P., died in 1926 in Ashfield, Sydney. They are recorded living at 565 Dowling St Surry Hills in 1925, and John Joseph Lynch's occupation was given as a traveller. They then moved away, but ended up at 67 Poziers Avenue Matraville up until 1990 They had two children, Marie and Christopher John Comerford Lynch (living at home as student 1970). This is Charlotte Sadie's death notice in the SMH

Lynch, Charlotte Sadie - January 28 1995 at Bellorana Nursing Home and formerly of Matraville. Beloved wife of John (deceased), loving mother and mother-in-law of Marie and John Russell and Chris and Rhonda. Much loved grandmother and great grandmother of their children.

John Joseph Lynch died 3rd June 1990 in his 88th year, also in Bellingen. Marie Bernadette Russell and John Lloyd Russell live at 13 Connell P1, Bellingen 2554 (as of 2001), and Christopher John C. Lynch lives at 7 Pembuiy Aye, North Rocks 2151.

Norman Sharpe born 1929. I can't find very much about this guy at all!

Arthur Kevin Sharpe born?? He is on the electoral roll for Lidcombe Sth in 1949 living in Magney Avenue and working as a textile worker. He is also there in 1958, living at 20 Magney Avenue Regent's Park, and working as a floor sander. in 1959, he and his wife Elsa Coraline (typist) Sharpe were living at 20 Magney Avenue, without Robert Henry Sharpe or their mother Ada.

Dudley Sharpe - living at 37 Townsend St Bankstown West in 1998. Married 8-6-19 15, at 'Pyree', Kerrs Rd, Lidcombe. Labourer, of Lidcombe, also a widower, when married Ada Hyde. Married by Church of Christ minister. He had a dairy farm at Regent's Park, and held church services in their cow bails.

Some of the information contained here on the Hydes came from (Elizabeth Webb Lyneham ACT)

HYDE.

1. **John Hyde** b. 1817, England, occupation Inn Keeper/Bootmaker, m. 00-07-1851, in Hartley, **Bridget Mc Cabe**, b. 1832, Ireland, d. 02-12-1872, Bathurst, buried: 05-12-1872, Bathurst R C. John died 19-04-1880, Sofala, buried: 21-04-1880, Sofala C of E. During the 1870s was an innkeeper @ Mc Kinnons Oakey aka Arthurs Oakey

Children.

2.	i	Albert Henry Hyde	b. 16-07-1852.
3.	ii	Anne Hyde	b. 00-00-1853.
4.	iii	Francis James Hyde	b. 26-02-1857.

Second Generation

2. **Albert Henry Hyde** b. 16-07-1852, Sofala, m. 02-01-1879, in Forbes, **Mary Jones.** Albert died 21-03-1903, Gundagai.

Children:

	i	Edward John Hyde	b. 03-10-1879, Young, m. 12-08-1907, in Fitzroy Vic, **Jane Alma Grandy**, b.1887, d. 1983, Taree. Edward died 1916.
5.	ii	Jane Annie Hyde	b. 00-00-1881.
	iii	William Thomas Hyde	b. 00-00-1883, Sofala, m. 1903, in Sydney, **Amelia Townsend.** William died 17-11-1915, Auburn, buried: Rookwood.
	iv	Albert Edwin Hyde	b. 00-00-1886, Sofala, m. 1930, in Auburn, **Ellen Neatsby.** Albert died 1938, Randwick. Went to WW1
6.	v	Ada Hyde	b. 00-00-1886.
	vi	Frank Hyde	b. 00-00-1890, Sunny Corner, d. 05-06-1955, Regents Park.
7.	vii	Robert Henry Hyde	b. 00-00-1892.

3. **Anne Hyde** b. 1853, Big Oakey Sofala, m. 1871, in Bathurst, **Kenneth McLeod**, b. 1839, Scotland. Kenneth: Gold miner P.O. went to Aberdeen, built Free Pres. Church there. Worked @ St Hilliers **See Mc Leod Tree**

Children:

8.	i	Bridget Murdina McLeod	b. 28-04-1873.
	ii	Martha M McLeod	b. 00-00-1873, Muswellbrook, m. **Littlejohn.** Went to South Africa,
	iii	Anne McLeod	b. 00-00-1875, Sofala.
9.	iv	Murdo McLeod	b. 00-00-1878.
	v	Margaret Marcella McLeod	b. 00-00-1880, Muswellbrook, d. 1881, Muswellbrook.
	vi	Jessie McLeod	b. 00-00-1884, Murrumburrah, d. 1884, Murrumburrah.
	vii	Catherine M McLeod	b. 00-00-1885, Muswellbrook, m. **De Arsay Wood.**
	viii	John Alexander MeLeod	b. 00-00-1887, Muswellbrook, d. 1888, Scone.

4. **Francis James Hyde** b. 26-02-1857, Sofala, occupation Bootmaker/Miner/Farmer, m.-1879, in Coonabarabran, **Mary Ann Jackson,** occupation Postmistress Upper Turon, d. 00-09-1906, Sofala. Francis died 1940, Bathurst, buried: 1940, Palmers Oakey. Mary: Daughter of John & Katherine

Children:

	i	John Henry Hyde	b. 00-00-1880, Sofala, d. 1881, Sofala.
10.	ii	Bridget Hyde	b. 09-04-1881.
11.	iii	Arthur Thomas Hyde	b. 00-00-1883.
	iv	Katie Ann Hyde	b. 27-09-1884, Sofala, d. 1903, Mudgee.
12.	v	Francis A Hyde	b. 00-00-1886.
13.	vi	Beatrice A Hyde	b. 00-00-1888.
14.	vii	Clara B Hyde	b. 00-00-1890.
	viii	Annie E Hyde	b. 00-00-1892, Sofala, d. 1910.
	ix	Norman V Hyde	b. 14-11-1894, Sofala, m. 1929, in Lithgow, **Edna M V Jenkins.**
	x	Jessie M Hyde	b. 25-10-1897, Sofala.
15.	xi	Stanley A J Hyde	b. 00-00-1900.

Third Generation

5. **Jane Annie Hyde** b. 1881, Sofala, m. 1913, in Granville, **Walter Norman Hutchison.** Jane died20-12-1964,Berala.

Children:

	i	Samuel P Hyde	b. 00-00-1901, Gundagai.
	ii	William Henry Hutchison	b. 00-00-1913, Granville.

6. **Ada Hyde** b. 1886, East Macquarie, m. **Charles Samuel Sharpe,** b. 1874, Victoria, d. 00-02-1953, Sydney. Ada died 05-10-1977, Liverpool, buried: Ashes Canberra.

Children:

	i	Victor Allan Hyde	b. 00-00-1907.
16.	ii	Robert Henry Hyde	b.07-07-1910
	iii	Phyllis Sidney Hyde	b. 16-08-1912, Albury, m. 1936, in Newtown, **William John Davidson.** Phyllis died 12-10-2001, Gold Coast.
	iv	Eleanor Jean Sharpe	b. 00-00-1916, Auburn, m. 1933, in Bankstown, **Jack Armstrong**.
	v	Charles Cyril Sharpe	b. 03-01-1917, Auburn, m. **Thelma Dorothy**.
	vi	Noel Emmet Sharpe	b. 19-11-1919.
	vii	Kathleen Clarice Sharpe	b. 00-00-1926, m. 1944, in Auburn, **Charles Noel Padfield.**

7. **Robert Henry Hyde** b. 1892, Bathurst, m. 1927, in Auburn, **Cora Stewart.** Robert died 19-07-1954,Sydney, buried: Rookwood. Went to WWII

Children:

i Cora Hyde d. 00-00-1928.

8. **Bridget Murdina McLeod** b. 28-04-1873, Palmers Oakey, m. **George Newton Allwood,** b. 12-12-1867, Cassilis, (son of George Allwood and Sarah A Newton) d.-1947, buried: Ashes @ Palmers Oakey 09-04-1987. George had a store in Abberdeen, good singer, in Muswellbrook Chior

Children:

	i	Nina Elma Allwood	b. 1901, Muswellbrook. Matron NZ hosp., gold miner, book keeper for J J Leah	
	ii	Elsie May Allwood	b. 00-00-1904, Muswellbrook.	
	iii	Donald McLeod Allwood	b. 00-00-1906, Muswellbrook,	d. 1906, Muswellbrook.
	iv	Lorna Isobela Allwood	b. 00-00-1909, Muswellbrook.	President Asquith Ladies Golf Club
17.	v	Allan McLeod Allwood	b. 00-00-1912.	
	vi	Esma Doreen Allwood	b. 00-00-1915, Scone.	Artist, went to England

9. **Murdo McLeod** b. 1878, Sofala, m. 1910, in Sydney, **Myra J Allen.** Murdo buyer of Indian remounts

Children:

	i	Marcia McLeod.	
	ii	Kenneth McLeod	b. 00-00-1912, Scone.
	iii	Simeon McLeod	b. 00-00-1914, Scone.

10. **Bridget Hyde** b. 09-04-1881, Sofala, occupation Upper Turon Post Assistant, m. 1910, in Bathurst, William Francis Theobald, b. 1882. **William: See Theobald Tree**

Children:

	i	Lynda Strathmore Theobald	b. 00-00-1913, Bathurst, m. 1937, in Bathurst, **Edward Stanislaus White.**
	ii	Mervyn William Theobald	b. 00-00-1918, Bathurst, m. 1945, in Parramatta, **Joyce O'Sullivan.**

11. **Arthur Thomas Hyde** b. 1883, Sofala, occupation Grazier/Mailman, m. 1917, in Sydney, **Amelia Ann(Dot) Theobald,** b. 01-09-1896, Palmers Oakey, d. 20-07-1978, Blacktown, buried: Capertee. Arthur died 01-09-1962, Portland, buried: Capertee. **Amelia: See Theobald Tree**

Children:

18.	i	Ruby Stella Hyde	b. 19-01-1917.	
	ii	Glen (Mick) Hyde	b. 00-00-1921,	m. **Jan,** d. 1994. Glen died 07-06-2004, Narromine.
19.	iii	Tom Hyde.		
	iv	Mary Hyde	m. (1) **B Hill**,	m. (2) **Sullivan.**

12. **Francis A Hyde** b. 1886, Sofala, m. 1909, in Redfern, **Isabella Violet Norman**. Went to WW1, Cpl, blinded 27-6-1917 . Had a son, a doctor in MacQuarrie St Sydney.

Children:

	i	Francis N Hyde	b. 00-00-1909, Redfern	m 1933, in Bankstown, **Laura M Gregory.**
	ii	Royce Oswald Reginald Hyde	b. 00-00-1911, Glebe,	m. 1938, in Burwood, **Doris Mitchell.**
	iii	William J Hyde	b. 00-00-1915, Hurstville,	m. in Marrickville, **Mary Ellen Spiller**.

13. **Beatrice A Hyde** b. 00-00-1888, Sofala, m. 00-00-1912, in Bathurst, **George E J Bayliss**.

Children:

	i	Marjorie E Bayliss	b. 00-00-1912, Bathurst.
	ii	Lydia L Bayliss	b. 00-00-1914, Bathurst.
	iii	Madeline T Bayliss	b. 00-00-1915, Bathurst.
	iv	George Bayliss	b. 00-00-1915, Bathurst.

14. **Clara B Hyde** b. 00-00-1890, Sofala, m.1909, in Waterloo, **William Johnston.**

Children:

	i	Ellie Johnson	b. 00-00-1910, Waterloo.

15. **Stanley A J Hyde** b. 1900, Sofala, m. 1929, in Rylstone, **Margaret Daisy Toffort,** b. 1905, d. 15-11-1991, Junee, buried: Mudgee. Stanley died 16-05-1976, buried: Mudgee.

Children:

	i	June Hyde	m. **?** **Maloney.**
	ii	Neville Hyde.	

Fourth Generation

16. **Robert Henry Hyde (Sharpe)** b. 07-07-1910, Murrumburrah, m. 07-03-193 1, **Ada Jennings.** Robert d 28-09-1973, Sydney.

Children:

	i	Gloria Joy Sharpe	b. 11-09-1931, Regents Park.
	ii	Dawn Sharpe	b. 18-10-1933, Regents Park.
	iii	Merle Sharpe	b. 13-06-1935, Bankstown.

17. **Allan McLeod Allwood** b. 1912, Muswellbrook, occupation Company Director,, m. 00-06-1935, in Sydney, **Rosalind Nicol.** Went to WW1I, to Middle East, New Guniea, on McArthurs staff Japan. Rank Major.

Children:

	i	Anthony McLeod Allwood	b. 20-10-1938. Motor Engineer
20.	ii	Peter Allan McLeod Allwood.	
21.	iii	Judith Leslie McLeod Allwood	b. 00-11-1947.

18. **Ruby Stella Hyde** b. 19-01-1917, Redfern, m. 1937, in Portland, Edward James (Ned) Bennett, b. 03-10-1911,

occupation Mailman/grazier, d. 24-05-1981, Capertee, buried: Capertee. Ruby died 19-05-1997, Portland, buried: 21-05-1997, Capertee. **Edward: See Bennett Tree**

Children:

22. i Terry Bennett b. 02-07-1938.
23. ii Arthur James (Jim) Bennett b. 26-12-1940.

19. **Tom Hyde** m. **Clarice (Toutie) Morgan**.

Children:

i Barry Hyde m**. Jackie.**
ii Robyn Hyde m. **Dennis Carey**.

Fifth Generation

20. **Peter Allan McLeod Allwood** m. **Roslyn.** Real Estate Agent Gosford area.

Children:

i Alison McLeod Allwood b. 24-06-1974.
ii Bret McLeod Allwood.
iii Katie McLeod Allwood.

21. **Judith Leslie McLeod Allwood** b. 00-11-1947, m. **John Macdonald**, occupation School Teacher.

Children:

i Piers Andrew McLeod Macdonald.
ii Rohan Macdonald.

22. **Terry Bennett** b. 02-07-1938, Portland, m. **Carol Ryan,**

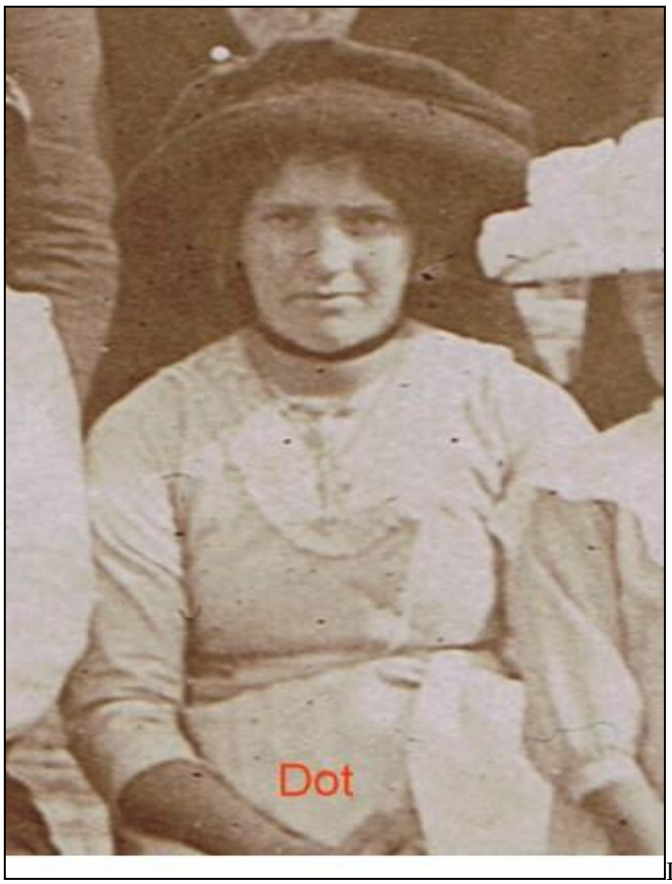
Children:

i Jaemie Bennett occupation Teacher.

23. **Arthur James (Jim) Bennett** b. 26-12-1940, m. **Betty Ford**.

Children.

i Patrick Bennett.
ii Dallas Bennett.



Dot Hyde.(nee Theobald)

K. **McLEOD**

Kenneth McLeod was born 1839 in Scotland came to Australia and in Bathurst during 1871 married Anne Hyde . Anne was born 1853 at Big Oakey Sofala.. **See Hyde Tree** They had 4 children here and 4 in the Musselbrook area.

They lived on Portion 17 , about 1km up the Turon from the junction with the Palmers Oakey creek, then on the 15th April 1875 Ken became the Post Master and storekeeper at Palmers Oakey . He held this position till 8th May 1878

The eldest Bridget married George Allwood and died in 1947. On the 09-04-1987 her son Allan "found" Palmers Oakey Cemetery and placed her ashes there.

When they left Palmers Oakey in the late 1870's they moved to Aberdeen, Ken worked at St Hillers and built the Free Presbyterian Church there.

From The History of Palmers Oakey.

00-00-1854	Annie Hyde born at Big Oakey Sofala (married K McLeod 1871)
28-10-1864	Portion 17 Turon sold at Sofala to Kenneth McLeod
28-10-1870	Sold Portion 17 to Fox
00-00-1871	Kenneth McLeod married Annie Hyde.
00-00-1872	Palmers Oakey Post Office Records MCLEOD Kenneth miner Palmer's Oakey
00-00-1872	K McLeod received 1 registered letter at Palmers Oakey
08-04-1873	Bridget Murdina McLeod born daughter of Kenneth and Annie (nee Hyde) McLeod
15-04-1875	Kenneth McLeod postmaster in place of W W Millett at Palmers Oakey.
00-00-1875	Palmers Oakey Post Office Records McLeod Kenneth storekeeper,
00-00-1875	K McLeod received 1 registered letter at Palmers Oakey
08-05-1878	John A McKinnon postmaster in place of K McLeod at Palmers Oakey Post Office
00-00-1878	K McLeod received 1 registered letter at Palmers Oakey

McLEOD

1. **Kenneth McLeod** b. 1839, Scotland, 0cc; Gold Miner, m.1871, in Bathurst, **Anne Hyde,** b. 1853, Big Oakey Sofala.
Anne: See Hyde Tree

Children:

2.	i	Bridget Murdina McLeod	b. 28-04-1873.		
3.	ii	Anne McLeod	b. 00-00-1875~		
4.	iii	Murdo McLeod	b. 00-00-1878.		
	iv	Margaret Marcella McLeod	b. 00-00-1870, Muswellbrook,		d. 1881, Muswellbrook.
	v	Martha MeLeod	b. 00-00-1873, Muswellbrook,	m.	**??? Littlejohn.**
	vi	Jessie McLeod	b. 00-00-1884, Murrumburrah,		d. 1884, Murrumburrah.
	vii	Katherine McLeod	b. 00-00-1885, Muswellbrook,	m.1913, in Sydney,	**D'Orsay H Wood.**
	viii	John Alexander McLeod	b. 00-00-1887, Muswellbrook.		

Second Generation

2. **Bridget Murdina McLeod** b. 28-04-1873, Palmers Oakey, m. 1900, in Scone, **George Newton Allwood,**
b. 12-12-1867 Cassilis, (son of George Allwood and Sarah A Newton).

Children:

	i	Nina Elma Aliwood	b. 00-00-1901, Muswellbrook.	
	ii	Elsie May Allwood	b. 00-00-1904, Muswellbrook.	
	iii	Donald McLeod Allwood	b. 00-00-1906, Muswellbrook,	d. 1906, Muswellbrook.
	iv	Loma Isabella Allwood	b. 00-00-1909, Muswellbrook.	
5.	v	Alan McLeod Allwood	b. 00-00-1912.	
	vi	Esma D Allwood	b. 00-00-1915, Scone.	

3. **Anne McLeod** b. 1875, Sofala, m. 1889, in Bathurst, **Roderick Macdonald**.

Children:

	i	Flora C Macdonald	b. 00-00-1894, Sunny Corner.
	ii	Rita A Macdonald	b. 00-00-1897, Dubbo.

4. **Murdo McLeod** b. 1878, Sofala, m. 1910, in Sydney, **Myra J Allen.** Murdo died 1940, Scone. Murdo buyer of Indian remounts

Children:

	i	Marcia McLeod.	
	ii	Kenneth McLeod.	
	iii	Simon McLeod	b. 00-00-1914, Scone.

Third Generation

5. **Alan McLeod Allwood** b. 1912, Muswellbrook, m. 00-06-1935, **Rosaline Nicol.** **Alan** Company Director
Went to WW1I, to Middle East, New Guniea, on McArthurs staff Japan. Rank Major.

Children:

	i	Anthony McLeod Allwood	b. 02-10-1938.
6.	ii	Peter Allan McLeod Allwood	b. 00-11-1941.
	iii	Judith Leslie Allwood	b. 00-11-1947.

Fourth Generation

6. **Peter Allan McLeod Allwood** b. 00-11-1941, **m. Roslyn ???.**

Children:

i	Alison McLeod	b. 24-06-1974.
ii	Bret McLeod.	
iii	Katie McLeod.	

7. Judith Leslie Aliwood b. 00-11-1947, **m. John Macdonald.**

Children:

i	Piers Andrew McLeod Macdonald.
ii	Rohan Macdonald.

KENSETT.

The following from The History of Palmers Oakey

00-00-1873	William Kensett appointed School Teacher at Upper Turon,
24-04-1874	Alfd,.Francis.Kensett appointed assistant at Upper Turon post office
01-05-1874	William Kensett (school teacher) was appointed postmaster at Upper Turon, his sureties were; John Scott hotel keeper ,ex postmaster and Julius Wannick storekeeper Upper Turon.

While **William Kensett** was appointed it was **Mrs Kensett** who later wrote a letter of resignation, stating that she had been transferred from the Upper Turon school, in her letter of resignation she recommended Mrs. Margaret Phillips for the position of Post Mistress.

UPPER TURON POST OFFICE 1875/76

Kensett William teacher,

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	*Admit*	*Pupils Name*	*Age*	*Rel*	*Parent*	*Residence*	*Occupation*	*Class-date*	*Reason for Leaving*
1	10-7-76	Wm C Kenset	17	EC	William Kensett	Palmers Oakey	School Master	3rd-7/76	27-5-77, Went mining.
2	10-7-76	D F Kensett	15	EC	William Kensett	Palmers Oakey	School Master	3rd-7/76	
3	10-7-76	F W Kensett	8	EC	William Kensett	Palmers Oakey	School Master	2nd-7/76	
1g	10-7-76	Mary P A Kensett	12	EC	William Kensett	Palmers Oakey	Schoolmaster	3rd-7/76	
2g	10-7-76	Julianna Kensett	7	EC	William Kensett	Palmers Oakey	Schoolmaster	2nd-7/76	

KENSETT

1. William Kensett m. 1857, in Sydney, **Juliana Flower**.

Children.

	i	William C Kensett	b. 00-00-1859,	d. 1897, Sydney.
	ii	Alfred Francis Kensett	b. 00-00-1861, Paddington,	m. 1898, in Gulgong, **Mary J Hamilton.** Alfred d 1900,
	iii	Mary P A Kensett	b. 00-00-1862.	
	iv	LW Kensett	b. 00-00-1868.	
2.	v	Juliana E Kensett	b. 00-00-1869.	

Second Generation

2. Juliana E Kensett b. 1869, m. 1899, in Gulgong, **Reginald King Rowbotham,** b 1871,Goulburn, (son of Isaac Rowbotham and Rebecca Annie King).

Children.

i	Reginald I Rowbotham	b. 00-00-1901, Gulgong,	d. 1922, Petersham.
ii	Kenneth K Rowbotham	b. 00-00-1902, Gulgong,	d. 1902, Gulgong.
iii	Keith Victor Rowbotham	b. 00-00-1907, Gulgong,	m.-1940, in Coolah, **Peggy Robina Macmillan.**
iv	Edison K Rowbotham	b. 00-00-1908, Gulgong,	m. 1935, in Manly, **Edna E Naylor.**

LARKIN.

THOMAS LARKIN(G) was born c1810 Wrotham, Kent, England. The spelling of Larkin is sometimes Larking, and the two were apparently interchangeable. On Thomas Larkin's headstone, the spelling was Larkin, but on the birth certificates of a number of his children, the spelling was Larking. Occupations of Thomas were a Coachman (in 1839), and later, a Victualler i.e. he owned and ran the Ivy Hatch Hotel at Ightham, Kent, England, which was approx. 2 Km south of Ightham village.

Apparently Thomas could not read or write, as on the birth certificate of his son Thomas he signed "X" as his mark or signature. He died at Ivy Hatch on 4th Dec. 1856 age 46, of consumption (T.B.) and is buried in Borough Green Baptist Churchyard, with 2 of his daughters who predeceased him.

The family had been C of E, but changed to Baptist after the C of E minister refused to bury their baby daughter in the C of E churchyard because she had not been baptised. The Baptist minister buried her, and the family attended the Baptist church after that.
One son Charles had 2 book prizes inscribed from Borough Green Sunday School (and with his name spelled both Larkin and Larking).

MARY ANN WALTON was born cl814 at Ightham and her family lived at Ightham. She married Thomas Larkin at Ightham C of E Parish Church on 17th Oct. 1833, and they had 8 children. The youngest girl (Mary Ann) died as a baby, another girl (Jane) died aged 15, 26 Feb. 1856.
Both are buried at Borough Green Baptist Churchyard with their father who died after them. After Thomas Larkin died in 1856, 2 of his sons, Stephen and Thomas, came out to Australia, to be followed soon after by Mary Ann and the other 4 children. Mary Ann could read and write, and her occupation was given as domestic servant when she emigrated. She was to remarry in NSW, and became Mrs. Thomas Lusty, but she had no more children. She died at Ashfield. 2-1-1882 age 68.

THE VOYAGES TO AUSTRALIA

Stephen had visited Australia (Sydney) in Juue 1855 as a sailor on board "*Rose Ellis".*

He returned to England, but 4 months after his father died, he and his brother Thomas left Liverpool, England, on the *"Aloe"* as assisted immigrants, departing 12th April 1857 and arriving in Sydney 31st July 1857.

Stephen was aged 23, and Thomas aged 19, both giving their occupations as farm labourers, both C of E, both could read and write, and both were of good health on arrival. (Ref. AO reel 2475). (On the same ship was a John Larkin, but he was not related, being a schoolteacher from Dublin, aged 36.) Soon after, Mary Ann also came out to Australia with the other 4 children, John age 21, Emma age 16, Charles age 14- and Henry age 11.

They sailed from Southampton, England, on 23rd Oct. 1858 and arrived in Sydney NSW 16th Jan. 1859, as assisted immigrants on the ship *"Daphne".* Mary Ann's occupation was given as domestic servant, and the children as servants or labourers. Mary Ann was then aged 45, and religion for the family given as Baptist. (Ref. AO reel 2138).

1851 CENSUS OF IGHTUAM PARISH — Ivy Hatch, Kent, England

Name		**Age**	**Occupation**	**Born**
Thomas Larking		40	innkeeper	Wrotham
Mary Ann	wife	37		Ightham
Stephen	son	17	inn servant	Ightham
John	son	14	inn servant	Ightham
Thomas	son	12	inn servant	Ightham
Jane	daughter	10		Ightham
Emma	daughter	9		Ightham
Charles	son	7		Ightham
Henry	son	3		Ightham
Mary	niece	14		Ightham

(This accounts for all the children of Thomas and Mary Ann for 1851, their 8th child was born in 1854, after the census.)

The Larkins lived in the Ben Bullen area at Jews Creek, held property, ran sheep & cattle and mined for gold, especially in Fiddlers Gully. A gully is still known as Larkins. up on Mt Horrible. Married into local family's, Ferguson, Oliver , Franks, Stait, There are still Larkins on the Ben Bullen property (2011)

The following is from the History of Palmers Oakey

15-01-1864	Stephen Larkin and his wife Alexina (nee Ferguson) had a son Stephen.
01-07-1864	Stephen Larkin and his wife Alexina (nee Ferguson) had their son Stephen baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Jews Creek and Stephens profession as labourer.
15-06-1869	Stephen Larkin and his wife Alexina (nee Ferguson) had a daughter Emma
19-11-1869	Stephen Larkin and his wife Alexina (nee Ferguson) had their daughter Emma baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the birthplace as Jews Creek and Stephens profession as Labourer.

ELECTORAL ROLL 1870—71

Larkins	Stephen	Fiddler's Gully
Larkins	Thomas	Fiddler's Gully
Larkins	Henry	Fiddler's Gully
Larkins	John	Fiddler's Gully
Larkins	Charles	Fiddler's Gully

07-06-1872 John Ferguson married Susannah Haines at **Larkins** house Jews Creek

LARKIN

1. **Thomas Larkin** m. **Ann Walton.**

Children:

2.	i	Thomas Larkin	b. 00-00-1838.	
	ii	Stephen Larkin.		
	iii	Henry Larkin	b. England.	
	iv	John Larkin	b. England.	

Second Generation

3. **Thomas Larkin** b. 1838, Ightham Kent England, m. **Sophia Oliver,** b. 1846, d. 23-10-1922, Ben Bullen, bu; Round Swamp . Thomas died 17-07-1904, Ben Bullen.

Children:

	i	Thomas Larkin	b. 00-00-1864, Hartley,	d. 08-07-1941, bu; Cullen Bullen.
	ii	(male) Larkin	b. 00-00-1865, Hartley,	d. 00-00-1865, Hartley.
4.	iii	William John Larkin	b. 00-00-1866.	
5.~	iv	Eliza Larkin	b. 00-00-1868.	
6.	v	James Larkin	b .31-05-1870.	
	vi	Mary Elizabeth Larkin	b. 00-00-1872, Hartley,	d. 02-09-1957, bu; Cullen Bullen.
7.	vii	George Larkin	b. 00-10-1873.	
8.	viii	Jane Larkin	b. 00-00-1875.	
9.	ix	Emma Larkin	b. 00-00-1877.	
10.	x	Louise Larkin	b. 00-00-1879.	
	xi	Annie Maria Larkin	b. 00-00-1881, Hartley,	d. 24-12-1965, bu; Cullen Bullen.
11.	xii	Sophie Larkin	b. 00-00-1883.	
	xiii	Charles Larkin	b.1885, Lithgow, m. (1)**Eva ???,** m. (2) **Alice May ?** b. 1881, d. 31-10-193? bu; Cullen Bullen, m. (3) **Ester ???,** b. 1888, d. 12-06-1964, Lithgow, bu; Lithgow. Charles died 13-06-1964, Lithgow, bu; Lithgow	
	xiv	Alice May Larkin	b. 00-00-1887, Hartley, m. **James King Freestone,** b. 1887, d. 18-06-1938. Alice d 04-06-1944, bu; Capertee.	
	xv	Rachel Larkin	b. 00-00-1889, Lithgow,	d. 23-05-1975, bu; Lithgow.

3. **Stephen Larkin** b. England, m. 1863, in Blackmans Flat, **Alexandrina Ferguson**, b. 1832, Scotland, d. 04-11-1873, Black Springs nr Sofala, bu; 05-11-1873, Running Stream. **Alexandrina: See Ferguson Tree.** D 5 days after daughters birth.

Children:

	i	Stephen Larkin	b. 15-01-1864, Hartley.	
12.	ii	Emma Larkin	b. 15-06-1869.	
	iii	Duncan Ferguson Larkin	b. 00-00-1871, Hartley,	d. 1895, Lithgow.
13.	iv	Alexandria Larkin	b. 30-10-1873.	

Third Generation

4. **William John Larkin** b. 1866, Hartley, m. 1891, in Wattle Flat, **Emma Larkin,** b. 15-06-1869, (daughter of Stephen Larkin and Alexandrina Ferguson) d. 1912. William died 20-06-1945, bu; Cullen Bullen.

Children:

i	Thomas Stephen Larkin b. 1892, Lithgow, m. 1922, in Manly, **Essie E R Bates,** b. 1887 d 17-09-1953, bu; Portland. Thomas died 22-03-1952, bu; Portland.		
ii	William Duncan Ferguson Larkin	b. 00-00-1894, Lithgow.	
iii	Lillian Larkin	b. 00-00-1895, Lithgow.	
iv	Elsie Evelyn Larkin	b. 00-00-1898, Lithgow.	
14. v	Eliza Grace Larkin	b. 00-00-1902.	
vi	Florence Annie Larkin	b. 00-00-1904, Lithgow,	d. 17-04-1979, bu; Portland.
15. vii	Edward Larkin	b. 13-04-1907.	
viii	Albert Larkin	b. 27-12-1910, Wallerawang,	d. 21-03-1983, bu; Cullen Bullen.

5. **Eliza Larkin** b. 1868, Hartley, m. 1886, in Bathurst, **Charles George Jamieson,** b. 1857, Bathurst, (son of John Matthew Jamieson and Margaret O'Rielly) d. 1939, Lithgow. Eliza died 02-02-1953, bu; Lithgow.

Children:

i	Ernest C H Jamieson	b. 00-00-1888, Bathurst.	
ii	Alfred H Jamieson	b. 00-00-1890, Bathurst,	d. 1917, Lithgow.
iii	Ethel M Jamieson	b. 00-00-1892, Bathurst.	
iv	Edith 0 Jamieson	b. 00-00-1895, Parkes.	
v	Hilda G Jamieson	b. 00-00-1896, Parkes.	
vi	Harold Jamieson	b. 00-00-1900, Wallerawang.	
vii	Vera A Jamieson	b. 00-00-1902, Lithgow.	
viii	Linda M Jamieson	b. 00-00-1905, Wallerawang.	
ix	Jessie Jamieson	b. 00-00-1908, Wallerawang.	
x	Victor J Jamieson	b. 00-00-1909, Wallerawang.	
xi	William H Jamieson	b. 00-00-1913, Dubbo.	

6. **James Larkin** b. 31-05-1870, Hartley, m. 16-01-1906, **Frances E Franks,** b. 16-01-1883, d. 01-01-1954, br Woronora Sydney. James died 25-09-1944, br; Round Swamp. **Frances: See Franks Tree**

Children:

16.	i	Russell James Larkin	b. 27-07-1914.

7. **George Larkin** b. 00-10-1873, Hartley, m. 18-01-1905, in Meadow Flat, **Bertha Ethel Stait,** b. 16-09-1888, Sunny Corner, d. 30-03-1953, bu; Cullen Bullen. George died 15-03-1954, bu; Cullen Bullen.

Children:

17.	i	Dorothy Larkin	b. 21-08-1905.	
16	ii	Marjory Larkin	b. 06-05-1908.	
19.	iii	Reginald George Alexander Larkin	b. 20-06-1909.	
	iv	Alexander Larkin	b. 26-11-1916,	d. 07-01-1986.
20.	v	Phyllis Annie Larkin	b. 03-06-1920.	
21.	vi	Ellen Louise Larkin	b. 31-01-1928.	

8. **Jane Larkin** b. 1875, Hartley, m. **Edward W H Browne**. Jane died 28-08-1961, bu; Pipers Flat.

Children:

i	Edward Browne.
ii	Cecil Browne.
iii	Douglas Browne.
iv	Evelyn Browne.

9. **Emma Larkin** b. 1877, Hartley, m**. George Kirby**. Emma died 05-11-1956, Bulli, bu; Lithgow.

Children:

i	Perce Kirby.
ii	Alan Kirby.
iii	Trevor Kirby.
iv	Grace Kirby.
v	Rita Kirby.

10. **Louise Larkin** b. 1879, Hartley, m. **Jack Taylor.** Louise died 03-11-1927.

Children:

i	Arthur Taylor.
ii	Miriam Taylor.
iii	Les Taylor.

11. **Sophie Larkin** b. 1883, Hartley, m. **George Palmer**.

Children:

i ?? Palmer.
ii ?? Palmer.

12. **Emma Larkin (See marriage to number 4.)**

13. **Alexandria Larkin** b. 30-10-1873, Sofala, m. in Petersham, **Herbert A Jamieson,** b. 00-00-1876, Tambaroora, (son of Joh Matthew Jamieson and Margaret O'Rielly). Alexandria's Mother died 5 days after birth. Breastfed by Aunt Sophie who had gave birth to George a week earlier. Reared by Sophie & Thomas

i Eva A Jameison.
ii Herbert A Jameison.

Fourth Generation

14. **Eliza Grace Larkin** b. 1902, Lithgow, m. **Joseph Murray**. Eliza died 06-04-1980, bu; Portland.
Children:

i Iris Murray.

15. Edwa**rd Larkin** b. 13-04-1907, m. Mrs **John Coleman.** Edward died 17-01-1985, bu; Cullen Bullen.
Children:

i Joseph.
ii John.
iii James.
iv Wendy.

16. **Russell James Larkin** b. 27-07-1914, m. 05-06-1954, **Elizabeth May Tompsett,** b. 04-05-1919. Russell died 00-09-2006.
Children:

i Joanne Larkin.

17. **Dorothy Larkin** b. 21-08-1905, m. **Harry Roberts**. Dorothy died 09-03-1984.
Children:

i Bruce Roberts.
ii Eric Roberts b. 00-00-1929, d. 17-01-1932.
iii Nea Roberts.
iv Jean Roberts.
v Suzanne Roberts.
vi Judith Roberts.
vii Phyllis Roberts.

18. **Marjory Larkin** b. 06-05-1908, m. (1)**Norman Pike** , m. (2) **Ted Hensell**.
Children by Norman Pike:

i Don Pike.
ii June Pike.

19. **Reginald George Alexander Larkin** b. 20-06-1909, m**. Merle Rogers**. Reginald died 10-12-1977.
Children:

i Janice Larkin.
ii Reg Larkin.
iii Jeffery Larkin.

20. **Phyllis Annie Larkin** b. 03-06-1920, m. **Colin Wilkinson.**
Children:

22. i Kerry George Wilkinson b. 08-04-1943.
23. ii Sue Wilkinson b. 05-05-1946.

21. **Ellen Louise Larkin** b. 31-01-1928, m. **Joe McManus**. Ellen died 27-09-2006.
Children:

i Joan McManus.
ii Alan McManus.
iii Stephen McManus.
iv Tracey McManus.

Fifth Generation

22. **Kerry George Wilkinson** b. 08-04-1943, m. **Lorraine Stephens.**
Children:

i Kylie Wilkinson b. 24-05-1971.
ii Chad Wilkinson b. 14-02-1974.

23. **Sue Wilkinson** b. 05-05-1946, m. **James Willis.** Sue died 07-09-1985.
Children:

i Jamie Willis b. 24-11-1970.
ii Bindi Willis b. 29-01-1973.

LEWIS

August 1835 Emanuel Lewis born in the Azores.
There is some confusion with the name Emanuel & Manuel, Manual.
He worked on whaling ships before coming to Australia and the gold fields at Palmers Oakey, where he was a miner and a carpenter. Being a carpenter, he was often called upon to make coffins and act as undertaker.

22-07-1862	Emanuel Lewis married at Kelso Mary Ann Spencer
18-05-1862	Manuel Lewis born
29-01-1864	William Lewis born
00-00-1864	Emanuel Lewis signed a petition for a Post Office at Palmers Oakey.
18-02-1866	John M Lewis born
08-07-1867	Francis Lewis born
23-05-1869	Mary L Lewis born
20-08-1870	Annie Lewis born
31-05-1872	Emily Lewis born
31-03-1874	Anthony John Lewis born
15-09-1875	Florence Lewis born

The following is from the Upper Turon School Records

No.	Child	Age	Religion Charge	Parent	Address	Occupation Class	Date left and reason
13-7-75	Frances Lewis	8	CE /6d	Manual Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-7/75 24-3-76,scarlet fever
6-11-76	Frances Lewis	9	RC	Emanuel Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-11/76
15-1-77	Manual Lewis	14	EC	Manual Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd-1/77
?-9-77	Wm. Lewis	13	EC	Manual Lewis	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd-9/77
26-1-85	Florence Lewis	9	EC /3	Emanuel Lewis	Upper Turon	Carpenter	1st-1/85
2-2-85	Annie Lewis	14	EC -/3	Emanual Lewis	Upper Turon	Carpenter	3rd-2/85

29-10-1877	Mail Sofala and Upper Turon (junction of Palmer's Oakey Creek with the Turon River), twice ' a week **Emanuel Lewis**, horseback, 1 year, £28-10s
1877	**E Lewis** received 3 registered letters from Mitchells Creek.
17-11-1877	Alice Lewis Born
28-10-1878	Mail Sofala and Upper Turon (junction of Palmer's Oakey Creek with the Turon River), twice a week-**Emanuel Lewis**, horseback, 1 year, £30 10s
12-10-1879	Henry Lewis born
00-00-1880	Lewis and Son were clearing 5 pounds per week from gold.
15-05-1882	George Lewis born
28-12-1884	Alfred Lewis born
20-01-1886	From the SMH. "About a quarter of a mile from Mr. Ferguson's house there is a hill called **Lewis-hill,** which is partly coveted with, an outcrop of gossan and quartz.
23-08-1886	Ernest Lewis born
30-12-1887	An advertised public meeting was hold at Palmers Oakey Creek at Charles Franks to revise the Commoners Roll of the Palmers Oakey Common. Resolved to strike off Roll the names of Joseph Browning and **William Lewis.**
16-03-1888	Ada Elsie Lewis born
12-01-1889	Public meeting held according to advertisement to elect trustees for the common for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected. **Manual Lewis** proposed by Patrick Lynch, seconded by James J Martin.
01-02-1890	Common trustees meeting at which a new set of rules were considered, debated and finally adopted by the trustees present, Thomas Lynch, **William Lewis,** John Thomas Franks, John Joseph Martin, Jacob Dunkell Chairman and Sec..
09-01-1892	An Advertised Public Meeting held at Jacob Dunkels to elect Trustees for Palmers Oakey Common for ensuing 3 years. 1 J Dunkel, proposed by Thomas Lynch seconded George McLeod. 2 John Alexander McKinnon proposed by David Munro seconded George McLeod. 3 **William Lewis** proposed by Edward O'Farrell seconded J Dunkel. 4 Francis Henry Buckerfield proposed by Henry Theobald seconded **William Lewis.** 5 Daniel Hopkins proposed by Jerimiah O'Farrell seconded Henry Theobald. J Dunkel chairman
24-04-1901	Trustees of Palmers Oakey Union Church purchased at auction in Bathurst portion 16 Dulabree forChurch site.Trustees being David Munro. Charles Ferguson, **William Lewis,** Frank Hyde, John Thomas Franks, Duncan McKinnon, William Tacke.
	H Lewis was listed as living at Palmers Oakey and was a miner.
	M Lewis was listed as living at Palmers Oakey and was a miner.
1902	Herbert Lewis received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.
1902	H Lewis was listed as living at Palmers Oakey and was a miner.
	M Lewis was listed as living at Palmers Oakey and was a miner.
	Mrs Lewis was listed as living at Palmers Oakey
	Elsie Lewis was listed as living at Palmers Oakey.
1905	Elsie Lewis was listed as living at Palmers Oakey.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1908
People Registered as living in the Palmers Oakey area

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
	LEWIS	MARY ANN	F	PALMERS OAKEY	H D.

02-10-1911	Manuel Lewis	died. buried Palmers Oakey cemetery.
20-09-1921	Mary Ann Lewis	died, buried Palmers Oakey cemetery.

The Lewis' lived on Portion 107 on the Palmers Oakey creek about 1 Km up from the Turon, for a long time they had a mine about 2 Km up the Bathurst road and is still known as Lewis' Hill.

COMMON		HORSES	CATTLE
1880	Emanuel Lewis Jnr	4	5
1880	Manual Lewis	3	9
1881	Manual Lewis	3	5
	Emanuel Lewis	2	4
1882	William Lewis	4	2.
1884	William Lewis	4	2
	M Lewis	2	
1886	Williarn Lewis	3	6
1887	Manual Lewis	3	2
	William Lewis	4	
1888	Manual Lewis	3	4
1888	William Lewis	4	
1889	M Lewis	4	14
1890	M Lewis	4	14
1891	M Lewis	4	18
1892	M Lewis	4	15
1893	William Lewis	5	17
1894	William Lewis	5	20
1895	Manual Lewis	4	19
1896	Emanuel Lewis	3	16
1897	Emanual Lewis	2	15
1898	Emanuel Lewis	3	17
1899	Emanuel Lewis ran	3	13
1900	M Lewis	2	10
1901	Emanual Lewis	2	17
1901	Herbert Lewis	2	
1902	Herbert Lewis	3	
	Manual Lewis	1	10
1903	Herbert Lewis	2	7
1904	Herbert Lewis		4.
1905	M A Lewis	1	5.
1905	H Lewis	2	
1905	E M Lewis		16
1905	Elsie Lewis	2	
1906	Elsis Lewis	3	
1906	E M Lewis	2	7
1906	M A Lewis		11
1907	Elsie Lewis	4	1
1907	E M Lewis	2	13
1907	M A Lewis		5
1908	Manual Lewis	1	18
1909	Elsie Lewis	6	14
1909	E M Lewis	1	9
1909	M A Lewis		9

LEWIS

1. **Manoel Luizes** occupation Carpenter, m. **Mary**

Children:

2. i Emmanuel Lewis b. 00-00-1835.

Second Generation

2. **Emmanuel Lewis** b. 1835, Azores, occupation Miner/carpenter, m. 22-07-1862, in Kelso Holy Trinity, **Mary Ann Spencer,** b. 25-04-1847, Balmain, (daughter of William Spencer and Sarah Jane Lynn) d. 11-09-1920, Orange, buried: 12-09-1920, Palmers Oakey. Emmanuel died 02-10-1911, Upper Turon, buried: Palmers Oakey. **Mary: See Spencer Tree**

Children:

3.	i	Emmanuel(Manuel) Lewis	b. 18-05-1862.	
	ii	William Lewis	b. 29-01-1864, Palmers Oakey,	buried: Palmers Oakey.
	iii	John Manuel Lewis	b. 18-02-1866, Palmers Oakey,	d. 07-03-1866, bu Palmers Oakey.
	iv	Frances Annie Lewis	b. 08-07-1867, Palmers Oakey,	d. 22-07-1943, Nt Sydney.
	v	Mary Louise Lewis	b. 23-05-1869, Palmers Oakey,	d. 25-05-1876, bu: Palmers Oakey.
	vi	Ann Lewis	b. 20-08-1870, Palmers Oakey,	d. 29-05-1932, buried: Woronora.
	vii	Emily Isabella Lewis	b. 31-05-1872, Palmers Oakey,	d. 18-05-1876, bu: Palmers Oakey.
	viii	Anthony John Lewis	b. 31-03-1874, Upper Turon,	d. 19-05-1876, bu: Palmers Oakey.
4.	ix	Annie Florence Beatrice Lewis	b. 15-09-1875.	
	x	Alice Isabella Lewis	b. 17-11-1877, Upper Turon,	d. 26-04-1878, bu Palmers Oakey.
	xi	Henry Thomas Lewis	b. 12-10-1879, Upper Turon,	d. 24-03-1881, bu Palmers Oakey.
	xii	George Edward Lewis	b. 15-05-1882, Upper Turon,	d. 20-02-1884, bu: Palmers Oakey.
	xiii	Alfred Herbert Lewis	b. 28-12-1884, Upper Turon, m. 1911, in Bathurst, **Isabella Morgan.** Alfred died 18-05-1966: buried: Ashes, Palmers Oakey.	
5.	xiv	Ernest Oswald Lewis	b. 23-08-1886.	
6.	xv	Ada Elsie Eleanor Lewis	b. 16-03-1888.	

xvi Evelyn Lewis buried: Palmers Oakey.
xvii Albert Lewis buried: Palmers Oakey.

Third Generation

3 **Emmanuel (Manuel) Lewis** b. 18-05-1862, Palmers Oakey, m. 1886, in Newtown, **Belinda Bennett**.
Emmanuel died 01-02-1941. Also known as Manoel (later Emanuel) Spencer

Children:

i	Reginald E B Lewis	b. 04-07-1889, Parramatta,	m. 1916, in Broken Hill, **Dorothy E Ellis.**
ii	Walter W Lewis	b. 08-12-1891, Parramatta.	
iii	Harold F R Lewis	b. 00-00-1899, Hurstville,	d. 1916, Sutherland.
iv	Linda M Lewis	b. 00-00-1905, Hurstville.	
v	Eric Spencer Jack Lewis	b. 00-00-1907, Hurstville, m. 1941, in Rockdale, **Eileen Elizabeth Scott.**	

4. **Annie Florence Beatrice Lewis** b. 15-09-1875, Upper Turon, m. 1898, in Castle Hill, **Thomas J Tobin.**
Annie buried: 1925, Bathurst.

Children.'

	i	Harriett Annie L Tobin	b. 02-05-1900, St Leonards.	
	ii	Margaret Tobin	b. 26-08-1903, St Leonards,	d. 1903, St Leonards.
	iii	Thomas (Tommy) Tobin	b. 11-10-1906, Limekilns,	d. 21-03-1982.
7.	iv	James Spencer Tobin	b. 27-11-1914.	

5. **Ernest Oswald Lewis** b. 23-08-1886, Upper Turon, occupation Builder/ Storekeeper, m. 23-06-1923, in Moss Vale,
Annie Winifred Sherman, b. 14-08-1893, Braidwood. Ernest died 25-11-1972, Ryde.

Children:

8.	i	Robert Ernest Lewis	b. 28-06-1925.	
	ii	Gwen Frances Lewis	b. 06-08-1932,	m. in Putney, **David Oliver Hall.**

6. **Ada Elsie Eleanor Lewis** b. 16-03-1888, Upper Turon, m. 1910, in Bathurst, **Harold Edwards**, b. 11-01-1887.
Ada died 30-09-1974, buried: ashes, Palmers Oakey.

Children.

i	**Doris E Edwards**	b. 05-03-1911, Forbes, m. 00-00-1935, in Katoomba, **Frank E Gabrill.**	
		Doris died 18-01-1992, buried: Palmers Oakey (ashes).	
ii	Muriel C Edwards	b. 13-11-1913, Forbes.	

Fourth Generation

7. **James Spencer Tobin** b. 27-11-1914, Limekilns, m. 1948, in Gosford, **Harriett Alice Gibson,**
b.1924, West Gosford. James died 1988.

Children:

i	Nola Tobin	m.	**Ian Ramsay.**
ii	Debbie Tobin	m.	**John Shacke**.
iii	Martyn Tobin.		

8. **Robert Ernest Lewis** b. 28-06-1925, Riverstone, m. 06-05-1950, in Auburn**, June Margaret Preston**, b. 17-06-1929
, Oakley Park England. Robert died 25-08-1986, Darlinghurst.(St Vin. Hospital).

Children:

	i	Peter Robert Crossley Lewis	b. 08-04-1953, Engadine.
	ii	Meredith Anne Lewis	b. 09-04-1955, Paddington.
9.	iii	Amanda Jane Lewis	b. 26-04-1958.
	iv	Nicola Margaret Lewis	b. 19-07-1960, Paddington.

Fifth Generation

9. **Amanda Jane Lewis** b. 26-04-1958, Paddington, m. 03-09-1983, in Woollahra, **David St Clair Green,**
b. 19-05-1954, Grafton.

Children.

i	Robert St Clair Green	b. 11-10-1986, Darlinghurst.
ii	Camilla Jane Green	b. 21-07-1988, Darlinghurst.

The Following are buried in the Palmers Oakey Cemetery.

Surname	**Other Names**	**Born**	**Died**
Lewis	Albert		
Lewis	Emily		
Lewis	George		
Lewis	Evelyn		
Lewis	John		
Lewis	Henry		
Lewis	Mary		
* Lewis	Elsie Ada	16-03-1888	31-09-1974
Lewis	Manuel	1835	02-10-1911
Lewis	Mary Ann	1847	20-09-1921
* Lewis	Albert Herbert	1884	18-05-1966

* denotes ashes.

SPENCER

1880 Mrs W Spencer received 1 registered letter from Mitchells Cr.
1881 Mrs William Spencer ran 10 goats on the common.
I think there are 2 Spencers buried at Palmers Oakey but there are no records I can find at this stage,

SPENCER

1. **Henry Spencer** occupation Farmer, m. 22-07-1807, in Loughbrough, England **Ann Franklin.**
Children:
2. i William Spencer b. 00-00-1809.

Second Generation

2. **William Spencer** b. 1809, Longbrough England, m. 04-10-1841, in St Phillips Sydney, **Sarah Jane Lynn (Lane),** b. 1820, Kings County Ireland, d. 01-03-1892, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. Arrived Aust c 1838 Her father was a shoemaker by trade William died 23-09-1878, buried: Palmers Oakey.
Children:
3 i William Spencer b. 00-00-1842.
ii Mary Ann Spencer b. 25-04-1847, Balmain, m. 1862, in Kelso, **Emanuel Lewis,** b. 1835, Azores, occupation miner/carpenter, d. 02-10-1911, buried: Palmers Oakey. Mary died 11-09-1920, Orange, buried:12-09-1920, Palmers Oakey. **Emanuel: See Lewis Tree**

Third Generation

3. **William Spencer** b. 1842, Sydney, m. 1867, in Bathurst, **Mary Jane Miller,** d. 1891, Bathurst. William died 1891, Bathurst.
Children:

i	Sarah Spencer	b. 00-00-1868, Bathurst.	
ii	Hannah Spencer	b. 00-00-1869, Forbes.	
iii	John Spencer	b. 00-00-1870, Forbes,	d. 1871, Forbes.
iv	William R Spencer		d. 1874, Forbes.
v	Joseph Spencer	b. 00-00-1873, Forbes,	d. 1876, Forbes.
vi	Margaret Spencer	b. 00-00-1874, Parkes.	
vii	Mary Jane Spencer	b. 00-00-1876, Orange.	
viii	William Charles Spencer	b. 00-00-1878, Wellington,	d. 1890, Accidently drowned near Sofala

LIARDET.

Upper Turon's 1st Teacher & 1st Post Master

00-00-1871 Upper Turon school opened, the teacher Wilbraham Liardet.
01-10-1872 Upper Turon Post Office opened, post master Wilbraham Liardet, he was recommended by Palmers Oakey post master W W Millett.
00-00-1872 William Kensett appointed school teacher at Upper Turon in place of Wilbraham Liardet. Liardet went to Limestone Flat School (near Cudgegong) and became the first teacher there on the 01-07-1873, and was transferred seven months later.
00-00-1878 Liardet appointed teacher at Ilford Public School, however his brutality and abuse to the pupils caused a stream of complaints, leading to a trial in the Supreme Court in Sydney.
Liardet also faced charges laid against him by Constable O'Brien following an argument about the irregular hours, and Constable Ferris laid a complaint against the excessive fees charged (one shilling per week per pupil).

LYNCH

When the Lynchs moved into the area I am to discover, the first record is 1860 when the first of their 6 children was born. They lived on the Turon about 2 Km above the junction with the Palmers Oakey creek, the children attended the Upper Turon school They were members of the Palmers Oakey common and ran their stock there.
In 1872 Thomas Lynch was appointed mail man to carry mails between the new Post Office, which was to be called Palmer's Oakey Junction and Sofala. The contract stated, "Thomas Lynch of Palmers Oakey. Sofala to Upper Turon (Junction of Palmers Oakey creek and Turon River), twice a week on horseback at 49 pounds 10 shillings per annum).
ELECTORAL ROLL 1870—71

NAME		AREA
Lynch	Thomas	Upper Turon

1872. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 12.
. John Lynch 1.. Thomas Lynch 1.
Post Office Directory 1872

LYNCH	Thomas	miner	Turon

1872 QUARTZ MINING LEASES.

DATE	NAME	AREA	ACRES.

14-06-1872 McLeod, Lynch & Co Palmers Oakey 8

PALMERS OAKEY POST OFFICE 1875/76.

Lynch Thomas miner Turon,

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No: Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee,	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-date	Reason for Leaving
17-1- 76	Mary Lynch		RC	/6	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd 1/76	13.3.76, Wanted at home.
18-9-76	Patrick Lynch	8	RC		Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st- 9/76	
2-10-76	James Lynch	6	RC		Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st- 1/76	
18-9-76	Thomas Lynch	13	RC		Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd 9/76	
18-9-76	Ellen Lynch	11	RC		Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd- 9/76	
26-3-78	Patrick Lynch	10	RC	/6	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd 3/78	Finished
26-3-78	James Lynch	8	RC	/6	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 3/78	
1-4-78	Thomas Lynch	14	RC	/6	Thomas Lynch	Palmers Oakey	Farmer	3rd 4/78	1-10-78 finished school

23-12-1886 Common meeting hold to consider applications for Common Rights and to elect a Trustee in place of Alex McIntyre deceased. **Thomas Lynch** by E O'Farrell and G McLeod. J J Martin chairman.

30-12-1887 An advertised public meeting was hold at Palmers Oakey Creek at Charles Franks to revise the Commoners Roll of the Palmers Oakey Common. Resolved to strike off Roll the names of Joseph Browning and William Lewis. Resolved to grant common rights to Henry Theobald Jnr., **James Lynch** and John O'Farrell resident miners of Upper Turon and Palmers Oakey Creek respectiviey. John J Martin Chairman, J Dunkel Sec.

12-01-1889 Public meeting held according to advertisement to elect trustees for the Common for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected. Manuel Lewis proposed by **Patrick Lynch,** seconded by James J Martin. **Thomas Lynch** proposed by J Dunkel, seconder by Manuel Lewis. John J Martin proposed by James Martin, seconded by J Dunkel. John Thomas Franks proposed by Jeremiah O'Farrell, seconded by John McDonnell. Jacob Dunkel proposed by **James Lynch,** seconded by F H Buckerfield. John Joseph Martin chairman. J Dunkel Sec

01-02-1890 Common trustees meeting at which a new set of rules wore considered, debated and finally adopted by the trustees present, **Thomas Lynch**, William Lewis, John Thomas Franks, John Joseph Martin, Jacob Dunkel Chairman and Sec

27-02-1890 A special meeting of common trustees to consider an application from Charles F Franks to depasture about 30 sheep in a paddock fore slaughtering purposes, the said application was refused. Trustees present, Manuel Lewis, **Thomas Lynch,** John J Martin, Jacob Dunkel chairman and sec

15-08-1891 Meeting of trustees was held at J Dunkels where orders were given to impound all Stray Stock trespassing on the common, Also proposed not to allow any more common rights until after six months residents. carried by mutual consent. Present John J Martin, **Thomas Lynch,** John Th Franks, J Dunkel Chairman and Sec.

29-11-1891 Common trustees meeting was hold to issue notices to have all stock depastured on common given in on or before 20-12-1891 also all common fees paid fore (sic) all stock above the age of six months. Also a protest was entered against John J Martin a Trustee at the time that he should not take legal procedings against D Hopkins about a certain track the said D Hopkins made fore (sic) to go to his mining tenement situated on the Turon River. Present at meeting J Dunkel Chairman & Sec., John J Martin, **Thomas Lynch**, Manuel Lewis.

09-01-1892 An Advertised Public Meeting held at Jacob Dunkels to elect Trustees for Palmers Oakey Common for ensuing 3 years. 1 J Dunkel, proposed by **Thomas Lynch** seconded George McLeod. 2 John Alexander McKinnon proposed by David Munro seconded George McLeod. 3 William Lewis proposed by Edward O'Farrell seconded J Dunkel. 4 Francis Henry Buckerfield proposed by Henry Theobald seconded William Lewis. 5 Daniel Hopkins proposed by Jerimiah O'Farrell seconded Henry Theobald. J Dunkel chairman of meeting. A meeting was then held to hear the expenditure etc of the common.

25-11-1893 Common trustees meeting , it was resolved to cancel the Common Rights of the undermentioned. John J Martin, James J Martin, E O'Farrell, J O'Farrell, John O`Farrell, E J O'Farrell, **Patrick M Lynch,** John McDonnell Henry Theobald, Peter Theobald, and Henry Theobald Jnr. Notices were sent to the before mentioned commoners to inform them that their common rights would be cancelled at the next revission of the commoners roll of the Palmers Oakey Common. Also instructions were given to the sec. to issue notices that all stock had to be given in to the sec on or before 23-12-1893 with brands and descriptions, also 1/- per head for all stock over 6mts. J Dunkel chairman.

23-12-1893 An advertised public meeting hold at J Dunkels for the revision of the Palmers Oakey Common Roll when the following rights were cancelled. **Patrick M Lynch** , common right extended for 6mts and after 30-6-94 non resident common right to be cancelled. John J Martin, James J Martin, E O'Farrell, John O`Farrell, E J O'Farrell, Jere O'Farrell, H Theobald Jnr, H Theobald Snr, Peter Theobald,. The above common rights were cancelled for non resident. After the meeting the under mentioned applications for common rights were received for having Builtt: (sic) their residents on the common. E J O'Farrell, Henry Theobald Snr, Henry Theobald Jnr, Peter Theobald, John Theobald, all of which were granted. J Dunkel chairman and sec.

05-01-1895 Public meeting hold at J Dunkels to revise common roll, also to elect trustees for the ensuing 3 years. Jacob Dunkel proposed by Francis Hyde seconded David Munro, Francis Henry Buckerfield proposed by D Munro seconded by Henry Theobald, David Munro proposed by **Thomas Lynch** seconded by E H Kearney, James McDonnell proposed by J Dunkel seconded by Peter Theobald, Henry Theobald Jr proposed by F H Buckerfield seconded by Michael McDonnell.
Common rights granted to **Mary Lynch** of Upper Turon, Ewen McC. Ferguson, Harry Hayes, Jerime C Harven of Palmers Oakey--- J Dunkel chairman .

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1880	Thomas Lynch Jnr	4	6
	Thomas Lynch Snr	2	8
	Maurice Lynch	2	8
1881	Maurice Lynch	2	2
	Thomas Lynch Snr	2	5
	Thomas Lynch Jnr	2	5
1883	Thomas Lynch		10
1884	Thomas Lynch Snr	8	3

1885	Thomas Lynch	7	5
	Patrick Lynch		7
1886	Thomas Lynch	6	2
	Patrick Lynch	1	7
1887	Patrick Lynch	2	9
	Thomas Lynch	7	7
1888	Thomas Lynch	6	7
	Patrick Lynch	2	9
	James Lynch	1	8
1889	Thomas Lynch	4	5
	P M Lynch	1	15
	James Lynch	1	4
1890	Patrick Lynch	3	11
	Thomas Lynch	5	5
	James Lynch	1	5
1891	James Lynch		4
	Thomas Lynch	6	2
	Patrick M Lynch	2	11
1892	Thomas Lynch	8	5
	Patrick M Lynch	1	12
	James Lynch		5
1893	James Lynch	2	7
	Patrick M Lynch	4	19
	Thomas Lynch	4	6
1894	Patrick Lynch	4	21
	Thomas Lynch	5	12
	James Lynch	3	10
1895	Thomas Lynch	5	20
	James Lynch	5	20
1896	Thomas Lynch	5	10

LYNCH

1. Thomas Lynch m. **Ellen ????.**

Children:

	i	Patrick Lynch	b. 00-00-1860,	Sofala.
	ii	Mary Lynch	b. 00-00-1861,	Sofala.
2.	iii	Thomas Lynch	b. 00-00-1863.	
3.	iv	Ellen Lynch	b. 00-00-1865.	
	v	Michael Lynch	b.	Sofala.
	vi	James Lynch	b. 00-00-1869,	Sofala

Second Generation

2. Thomas Lynch b. 1863, m. 1890, in Sofala, **Alice E McCarthy.**

Children.

i	Alice A Lynch	b. 00-00-1891, Oberon.	
ii	John Lynch	b. 00-00-1892, Captains Flat.	
iii	Thomas D Lynch	b. 00-00-1893, Oberon.	
iv	James Lynch	b. 00-00-1894, Braidwood.	
v	Maurice K Lynch	b. 00-00-1895, Rockley.	
vi	Margaret M Lynch	b. 00-00-1896, Captains Flat.	
vii	John H Lynch	b. 00-00-1897, Rockley.	
viii	Mary I Lynch	b. 00-00-1899, Rockley.	
ix	Bridget E Lynch	b. 00-00-1899, St Leonards.	
x	Bernard Mc C Lynch	b. 00-00-1901, Rockley,	d. 1916, Woolongong.
xi	Eileen E Lynch	b. 00-00-1902, Woolongong.	
xii	Ellen M Lynch	b. 00-00-1903, Rockley.	
xiii	Alice V Lynch	b. 00-00-1905, Woolongong.	
xiv	Edith E M Lynch	b. 00-00-1908, Forbes.	
xv	James P Lynch	b. 00-00-1912, Forbes.	
xvi	Kathleen H Lynch	b. 00-00-1915, Woolongong.	

3. Ellen Lynch b. 1865, Sofala, m. 1890, in Sofala, **Patrick Mc Gann.**

Children:

i	Herbert P Mc Gann	b. 00-00-1893, Lithgow.	
ii	Thomas Mc Gann	b. 00-00-1895, Lithgow,	d. 00-00-1895, Lithgow.
iii	Robert J Mc Gann	b. 00-00-1897, Lithgow	

MARTIN.

Laurence Martin born 1805 in Ireland married 1825 in Ireland **Elizabeth Lynch** a local Irish lass and they had 7 children.

Laurence and family arrived in Australia 29th June 1850 per the" *Lloyds".* Laurence died 1870 and is buried at Sofala. Elizabeth died at Bingle Tree 29-11-1874 and is buried at Erskine Flat Sofala

First record of them in this area is when Laurence Jr married 1858 Bridget Maher in Bathurst . They had 7 children the first 6 born at Upper Turon.
They lived on the Turon about 4 Km up from the Palmers Oakey creek junction on Portions 20, 21. 22, 23 (1864) and in 1870 bought the adjoining block 24, owned by J Hussey the father of Ellen Hussey who married the youngest son John Joseph and they had 8 children.
Laurence Jr and family seem to have moved from this area in the late 1860's/70,s
John Joseph and family sent their children to the Upper Turon school and were members of the Palmers Oakey Common and John was a trustee for several years, also chairman for a time.

John & Ellen had twin daughters born 28-9-1871, Ellen and Bridget.
Ellen married Thomas Hartigan and lived across the road.
Bridget married Peter Handcock of Peel. Peter worked on the railways ,. Peter joined the Army and went to the Boer War, became a Lieut in the Bushveldt Carbiners and was shot by firing squad along with Lieut. H H (Breaker) Morant at Pretoria South Africa.
Bridget had 2 children and as Peter was at the time considered to be a traitor she found life extremely hard. In 1908 she married a cousin Maurice Clines and they had 2 children. Maurice was born on the Lower Turon, became editor of the Bathurst Advocate, involved in having the Bathurst Park fenced and was a personal friend of Ben Chifley , who became Prime Minister.

The following is how the various Martins appear in The History of Palmers Oakey,

00-00-1874 Mrs D Martin sent a registered letter from Upper Turon Post Office to Sofala.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL RECORDS

No: Admit Pupils Name	Age	Relig Fee	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-	date	Reason for Leaving
07-08-76 James Martin	11	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	8/76	9-11-76 Kept at home
16-10-76 Laurance Martin	14	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	10/76	3-11-76 Kept at home
31-7-76 Catherine Martin	10	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	7/76	
18-9-76 Elizabeth Martin	14	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd	9/76	
16-4-77 James Martin	12	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd	4/77	
?-10-77 ??? Martin	4	EC	James Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	10/77	
19-3-77 Eden M Martin	5	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	3/77	
19-3-77 Alice B Martin	5	RC	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	3/77	
James Martin	15	RC -/6	John Martin	Palmers Oakey	Farmer	2nd	?/80	Finished
26-1-85 Alice Martin	12	RC -/3	John Martin	Upper Turon	Farmer	1st	1/85	
4-5-85 Catherine Martin	19	RC -/3	John Martin	Upper Turon	Farmer			

1885 Registered letter to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek for J Martin

09-01-1886 Special common meeting held to elect trustees for ensuing 3 years. **John Joseph Martin** by J Dunkel and E Phillips. Alexander McIntyre by **J Martin** and M McDonnell. John Thomas Franks by **J Martin** and George McLeod. William Tacke by F H Buckerfield and G Simpson. Michael McDonnell by E 0'Farrell and W Simpson. **J J Martin** was chairman.

21-04-1888 Common trustees meeting at J Dunkels at which certain documents sent by the government were considered. **J J Martin** chairman. J Dunkel Sec..

03-07-1888 Common trustees at J Dunkels. No business**. J J Martin** chairman .

23-03-1889 Common meeting at J Dunkels. Application by Duncan McKinnon granted. Proposed by **John J Martin** to impose a Special Tax of 6d per head for all stock on common, tax to be on or before 15-4-89. J Dunkell chairman and sec..

COMMON RECORDS		HORSES	CATTLE
00-00-1883	John Martin	6	6
00-00-1884	James Martin	2	3
00-00-1884	John Martin	1	4
00-00-1884	Lawrence Martin	3	
00-00-1885	John & James Martin	5	12
00-00-1886	James Joseph Martin	3	7
00-00-1886	John J Martin	4	7
00-00- 1887	John J Martin	4	8
00-00-1887	James J Martin	4	4
00-00-1888	John J Martin	5	9
00-00-1888	James Martin	5	10
00-00-1889	John J Martin	3	8
00-00-1889	James J Martin	4	10
00-00-1890	John J Martin	2	10
00-00-1890	James J Martin	3	12
00-00-1891	John J Martin	1	4
00-00-1891	James J Martin	3	3
00-00-1892	John J Martin		5
00-00-1893	JamesJMartin	2	23
00-00-1893	John J Martin	1	4

01-02-1890 Common trustees meeting at which a new sat of rules were considered, debated and finally adopted by the trustees present, Thomas Lynch, William Lewis, John Thomas Franks, **John Joseph Martin**, Jacob Dunkel Chairman and Sec..

29-11-1891 Common trustees meeting was held to issue notices to have all stock depastured on common given in on or before 20-12-1891 also all common fees paid fore (sic) all stock above age of six months. Also a protest was entered against **John J Martin** a Trustee at the time that he should not take legal proceedings against D Hopkins about a certain track

the said D Hopkins made fore (sic) to go to his mining tenement situated on the Turon River. Present at meeting J Dunkel Chairman & Sec., **John J Martin,** Thomas Lynch, Manuel Lewis.

00-00-1891 **James Martin** received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.

04-06-1892 Public meeting when it was agreed to come to some agreement with **John J Martin** so as to stop him from impounding common stock. J Dunkel chairman.

11-06-1892 A common trustees meeting to make an agreement with **John J Martin**, could not agree on the stand the trustees took against fencing J Dunkel chairman.

28-06-1892 A common trustees meeting at J Dunkels where an agreement with **John J Martin** to allow common stock to depasture on his lease of 740 acres without impounding. J Dunkal chairman.

01-04-1893 Quarterly meeting of common trustees hold to consider a motion brought forward by Daniel Hopkins to cancel **John J Martins and James J Martins** common rights On account of all the trustees not being present meeting was postponed to 15-4-93. J Dunkel chairman.

15-04-1893 Posponed common trustees meeting. Only one trustee present besides the chairman, meeting lapsed. J Dunkell chairman.

23-09-1893 A special trustees meeting to consider a proposal made by **John J Martin** to the trustees, as the proposal could not be entertained, the meeting was postponed to the 7-10-83. Also common rights were granted to Duncan Ferguson Senr. and Francis N Franks both of Palmers Oakey. J Dunkel chairman.

07-10-1893 Postponed common meeting hold but **John J Martin** not appearing the meeting lapsed. After the meeting the trustees decided to send two into Bathurst fore (sic) Solicitors advice. J Dunkel chairman.

25-11-1893 Common trustees meeting , it was resolved to cancel the Common Rights of the undermentioned. **John J Martin, James J Martin**, E O'Farrell, J O'Farrell, John O'Farrell, E J O'Farrell, Patrick M Lynch, John McDonnell, Henry Theobald, Peter Theobald, and Henry Theobald Jnr. Notices ware sent to the before mentioned commoners to inform them that their common rights would be cancelled at the next revision of the commoners roll of the Palmers Oakey Common. Also instructions wore given to the sec. to issue notices that all stock had to be given in to the sec on or before 23-12-1893 with brands and descriptions, also 1/- per head for all stock over 6mts. J Dunkel chairman.

23-12-1893 An advertised public meeting hold at J Dunkels for the revision of the Palmers Oakey Common Roll when the following rights ware cancelled. Patrick M Lynch , common right extended for 6mts and after 30-6-94 non resident common right to be cancelled. **John J Martin, James J Martin**, E O'Farrell, John O'Farrell, E J O'Farrell, Jere O'Farrell, H Theobald Jnr, H Theobald Snr, Peter Theobald,. The above common rights wore cancelled for non resident. After the meeting the under mentioned applications for common rights ware received for having Buill:t (sic) their residents on the common. E J O'Farrell, Henry Theobald Snr, Henry Theobald Jnr, Peter Theobald, John Theobald, all of which were granted. J Dunkel chairman and sec.

1906 DIVISION of MACQUARIE PALMERS OAKEY POLLING PLACE

Roll of Persons entitled to Vote under the Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902

No. Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
40 Martin	Ellen	F	Upper Turon	D D
41 Martin	Ellen Jr.	F	Palmers Oakey	D D

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1908

People Registered as living in the Palmers Oakey area

No. Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
41 Martin	Alexander	M	Fiddlers Gully	Miner

00-00-1908 Registered letters to Palmers Post Office

From Sunny Corner	1.	Miss E M Martin.
From Sofala	1.	Miss E Martin.

MARTIN

1. **Laurence Martin** b. 1805., Armah Longford Ireland, occupation Weaver, goldminer, m. 1825, in Longford Ireland, **Elizabeth Lynch**, b. 1809, Longford Ireland, d. 29-1 1-1874, Bingle Tree Sofala, buried: Erskine Flat Sofala. Laurence died 1870, Sofala.

Children:

	i	Bryan Martin	b. 00-00-1828, Longford Ireland.
	ii	Daniel Martin	b. 00-00-1828, Longford Ireland, m. 1854, in Sofala, **Margaret M Hennessey.**
	iii	Brigdet Martin	b. 00-00-1830, Longford Ireland, m. **John Murphy**.
	iv	Ellen Mary Martin	b. 00-00-1830, Longford Ireland.
2.	v	Laurence	b. 00-00-1832.
	vi	Peter Martin	b. 00-00-1836, Longford Ireland, m. 1858, in Bathurst, **Catherine O'Neill.**
3.	vii	John Joseph	b. 00-00-1840.

Second Generation

2. **Laurence Martin** b. 1832, Longford Ireland, m. 1858, in Bathurst, **Bridget Maher.**

Children:

i	Elizabeth Martin	b. 00-00-1859, Upper Turon.	
ii	Bridget Martin	b. 00-00-1860, Upper Turon.	
iii	Mary Martin	b. 00-00-1862, Upper Turon.	
iv	Catherine Martin	b. 00-00-1864, Upper Turon,	d. 1864, Upper Turon.
v	Laurence P Martin	b. 00-00-1865, Upper Turon,	d. 1870, Upper Turon.
vi	Ann Martin	b. 00-00-1866, Upper Turon.	
vii	Thomas Joseph Martin	b. 00-00-1870, Upper Turon,	d. 1885, Orange.

3. **John Joseph Martin** b. 1840, Longford Ireland, occupation Miner/Farmer, m. 21-07-1860, By Father O'Farrell, **Ellen Hussey,** b. 1844, Ireland, (daughter of James Hussey and Catherine) d. 1915, Wattle Flat. John died 1901, Bathurst.

Children:

	i	Male Martin	b. 00-00-1861, Upper Turon,	d. 1861, Upper Turon.
	ii	Elizabeth Martin	b. 08-02-1862, Upper Turon.	
4.	iii	Lawrence Joseph	b. 29-03-1863.	
	iv	James Joseph Martin	b. 07-10-1864, Upper Turon.	
5.	v	Catherine	b. 23-03-1866.	
6.	vi	Bridget Mary	b. 28-09-1871.	
7.	vii	Ellen Alice	b. 28-09-1871.	
	viii	Alice Mary Martin	b. 28-06-1876, Upper Turon.	

Third Generation

4. **Lawrence Joseph Martin** b. 29-03-1863, Upper Turon, m. 1884, in Mudgee, **Margaret Shaft.**

Children:

8.	i	Ellen Mary	b. 00-00-1886.

5. **Catherine Martin** b. 23-03-1866, Upper Turon, m. 05-07-1888, in Bathurst by Father Flanagan, **Thomas Harrison.**

Children:

i	Edwin Harrison	b. 00-00-1891, Lithgow.

6. **Bridget Mary Martin** b. 28-09-1871, Upper Turon, m. (1) 1888, in Bathurst, **Peter J Handcock,** b.1868, Peel, (son of William Handcock and Bridget Martin) occupation Lieut. Bushveldt Carbiners, d. 27-02-1902, South Africa, buried: 27-02-1902, Pretoria South Africa, m. (2) 1908, in Blayney, **Dermott Maurice Clines,** b. 02-06-1867, Bruienbuen Lower Turon, occupation Editor Bathurst .Advocate, d. 18-05-1945, Bathurst, buried: Bathurst. Bridget died 1944, Bathurst. She is recorded in the family Bible as Bridget Alice. Peter Shot by firing squad, with Lieut, H H (Breaker) Morant. Dermott: Had fence built around Park in Bathurst. Personal friend Ben Chifley PM.

Children by Peter J Handcock:

9.	i	WilliamJames L	b. 00-00-1889.
10.	ii	Peter Lawrence Joseph	b. 00-00-1891.

Children by Dermott Maurice Clines:

iii	Elizabeth Mae Clines	b. 29-05-1909, Bathurst, m. 19-12-1931, in Ashfield, **Frank Thomas Bowman.**
iv	Maurice Roy Clines	b. 00-00-1911, Bathurst, m. 00-00-1936, in Annandale, **Hazel Amy Borrimah King.**

7. **Ellen Alice Martin** b. 28-09-1871, Upper Turon, m. 1912, in Sydney, **Thomas Hartigan**, b. 1858, d. 17-09-1947, Capertee, buried: Capertee. She is recorded in the family Bible as Ellin Mary.

Children:

i	Eileen M Hartigan	b. 00-00-1913, Bathurst.

Fourth Generation

8. **Ellen Mary Martin** b. 1886, Mudgee, m. **Thomas James Scott.** Ellen died 1921.**Thomas: See Scott Tree**

Children:

i	John Scott.	
ii	Edward (Ned) Scott	m. 00-00-1941, **Ada Cunyngham.**
iii	William Scott.	
iv	Eileen Alice Mary Scott m. **Robert Gibbons.** Eileen died 1990, Condobolin. 1928 was a governess at "Warrie" P.O.	

9. **William James L Handcock** b. 1889, Dubbo, m. 1914, in Bathurst, **Ethel P Roberts.** William died 1941, Ryde.

Children:

I	Irene E Handcock	b. 00-00-1914, Grandville.

10. **Peter Lawrence Joseph Handcock** b. 1891, Dubbo, m. 1913, in Bathurst, **Ethel M Leplaw.**

Children:

i	Raymond P Handcock	b. 00-00-1913, Blayney,	d. 1914, Blayney.
ii	Ruby M Handcock	b. 00-00-1914, Blayney, m. 1935, in Sydney, **Charles Spalwit.**	
iii	William Handcock	b. 00-00-1917, Blayney.	
iv	Harold J Handcock		d. 1922, Annandale.
v	Rita M Handcock		d. 1925, Annandale.
vi	Ronald Keith Handcock		d. 1938, Annandale.

McCARTHY

First record in this area is in 1868 when John McCarthy & his wife Rosannas (nee Gettens) first child was born at Palmers Oakey, they went on to have 5 children before Roseanna died in 1887.

They lived at the junction of the Palmers Oakey creek and Murdering Gully on Portion 47 near the cemetery, and mined for a living.
John re-married to Josephine Frappell 1898 in Sunny Corner, they had 2 children.
John was a miner and a Trustee of the Palmers Oakey common and ran stock there.
The family moved to Sunny Corner during the 1880's

The following is from the History of Palmers Oakey

PALMER'S OAKEY Post Office Directory 1872

MCCARTHY	John	miner	Palmer's Oakey

PALMERS OAKEY POST OFFICE 1875/76.

McCarthy	John	miner

1881. Letters to Palmers Oakey post office from Mitchells Creek. John McCarthy 1.

20-05-1882 Special common meeting to elect two trustees to common as W Phillips and G Bower resigned. Elected were David Deware Munro and **John McCarthy.**

13-10-1882 D D Munro and **J McCarthy** gazetted trustees

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1880	John McCarthy	1	3
1881	John McCarthy	3	5
1882	John McCarthy	3	1
1883	John McCarthy	3	1
1884	John McCarthy	3	
1885	John McCarthy	5	

McCARTHY

1. **John McCarthy** m. (1) 1867, in Sofala, **Rosanna Gettins,** b:1844, d. 1887,
m. (2) 1898, in Sunny Corner, **Josephine Frappell.**

Children by Rosanna Gettins:

	i	Thomas McCarthy	b. 00-00-1868, Palmers Oakey.	
2.	ii	Edith Minnie McCarthy	b. 00-00-1872.	
	iii	John McCarthy	b. 00-00-1874, Palmers Oakey,	d. 1923, Lithgow.
3.	iv	Blanch McCarthy	b. 00-00-1878.	
	v	Ettie McCarthy	b. 00-00-1883, East Macquarie,	m. 1900, **Joseph Chester.**

Children by Josephine Frappell:

vi	Joseph McCarthy	b. 00-00-1899, Sunny Corner,	d. 1930, Lithgow.
vii	Leslie H McCarthy	b. 00-00-1909, Drummoyne.	

Second Generation

2. **Edith Minnie McCarthy** b. 1872, Palmers Oakey, m. 1889, in Oberon, **James F Bradley.**

Children:

i	Alice Maud Bradley	b. 00-00-1894, Sunny Corner.	
ii	Dorothy Irene Bradley	b. 00-00-1896, Sunny Corner,	d. 19-08-1898, buried: Kirkconnell.
iii	Gladys May Bradley	b. 00-00-1899, Sunny Corner.	
iv	Agnes M Bradley	b. 00-00-1902, Rylstone.	

3. **Blanch McCarthy** b. 1878, Palmers Oakey, m. 19-03-1901, in Sunny Corner, **John Hemsworth,** b. 28-01-1835, England, d. 21-07-1908, buried: Sunny Corner.

Children:

i	Elizabeth McCarthy	b. 00-00-1895, Sunny Corner.
ii	John McCarthy	b. 00-00-1897.
iii	George Hemsworth McCarthy	b. 00-00-1898, Sunny Corner.
iv	Edward Hemsworth McCarthy	b. 00-00-1899, Sunny Corner.
v	Emma Hemsworth McCarthy	b. 00-00-1901, Sunny Corner.
vi	James William Henry Hemsworth	b. 00-00-1902, Sunny Corner.
vii	Thomas Joseph Hemsworth	b. 00-00-1903, Sunny Corner.
viii	Richard Stanley Hemsworth	b. 00-00-1906, Sunny Corner.

McDONNALL

Michael McDonnell was born 1827 Co. Clare Ireland and in 1857 married in Sydney **Bridget McArdle** of Armagh Ireland.
They must have moved here soon after as the first of their 7 children started to arrive in 1858, all born at Upper Turon. Michael may have been here mining before this.
They lived on Portion 18 on the Turon and a block on the other side of the river 2 Km upstream, from the Palmers Oakey Creek junction. the children attended the Upper Turon School, they became members of the Palmers Oakey Common on which they ran their cattle and horses. Michael became Chairman of the Common for several years.
Last record I have is 1909 when they were running stock on the common
The 6th child Margaret married in Darlinghurst Thomas Noonan and had 5 children. A report in a Sydney paper (date unknown) stated that Margaret shot Thomas in the chest , hitting something in his pocket , not killing him. She then shot herself in the left breast and died. It was all over him bringing home his mistress, whom he later married
Michael is listed in 1877 as a Publican in Bathurst

The following is from the History of Palmers Oakey

UPPER TURON POST OFFICE 1875/76

McDonnell Michael miner,

09-01-1886 Special common meeting held to elect trustees for ensuing 3 years. John Joseph Martin by J Dunkel and E Phillips. Alexander McIntyre by J Martin and **M McDonnell.** John Thomas Franks by J Martin and George McLeod. William Tacke by F H Buckerfield and G Simpson. **Michael McDonnell** by E O'Farrell and W Simpson. J J Martin was chairman.

14-01-1888 Public meeting at Charles Franks. Balance sheet of Palmers Oakey Common presented and adopted. Proposed to pay Common Sec £2-0-0 per year and to pay the Trustees 7/- a day in case anyone of them have to go to Sofala on Business connected with the common. **Michael McDonnell** chairman.

12-01-1889 Public meeting held according to advertisement to elect trustees for the Common for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected. Manuel Lewis proposed by Patrick Lynch, seconded by James J Martin. Thomas Lynch proposed by J Dunkel, seconder by Manuel Lewis. John J Martin proposed by James Martin, seconded by J Dunkel. John Thomas Franks proposed by Jeremiah O'Farrell, seconded by **John McDonnell.** Jacob Dunkel proposed by James Lynch, seconded by F H Buckerfield. John Joseph Martin chairman. J Dunkel Sec

25-11-1893 Common trustees meeting , it was resolved to cancel the Common Rights of the undermentioned. John J Martin, James J Martin, E O'Farrell, J O'Farrell, John O`Farrell, E J O'Farrell, Patrick M Lynch, **John McDonnell** Henry Theobald, Peter Theobald, and Henry Theobald Jnr. Notices were sent to the before mentioned commoners to inform them that their common rights would be cancelled at the next revission of the commoners roll of the Palmers Oakey Common. Also instructions were given to the sec. to issue notices that all stock had to be given in to the sec on or before 23-12-1893 with brands and descriptions, also 1/- per head for all stock over 6mts. J Dunkel chairman.

05-01-1895 Public meeting hold at J Dunkels to revise common roll, also to elect trustees for the ensuing 3 years. Jacob Dunkel proposed by Francis Hyde seconded David Munro, Francis Henry Buckerfield proposed by D Munro seconded by Henry Theobald, David Munro proposed by Thomas Lynch seconded by E H Kearney, **James McDonnell** proposed by J Dunkel seconded by Peter Theobald, Henry Theobald Jr proposed by F H Buckerfield seconded by **Michael McDonnell.** Common rights granted to Mary Lynch of Upper Turon, Ewen McC. Ferguson, Harry Hayes, Jerime C Harven of Palmers Oakey--- J Dunkel chairman .

08-10-1898 An advertised public meeting was held at Palmers Oakey to elect two Trustees in the place of Jacob Dunkel and Francis N Franks who have resigned, when the following gentlemen were duly elected, **Michael McDonnell** proposed by Francis Hyde seconded by John O'Farrell carried. Peter Munro proposed D Ferguson seconded by Henry Theobald Jr. carried. Jacob Dunkel chairman of the meeting John O'Farrell secretary.

07-01-1899 The public meeting advertised for the 31.12.1898 was posponed until 7-1-99 when the following gentleman were granted common Rights A W McKinnon. At the same meeting the balance sheet was read to the public. **Michael McDonnell** chairman, John O'Farrell secretary.

12-01-1899 A common trustees meeting was held at O'Farrells camp where it was decided to call tenders for fencing eastern side of common. **M McDonnell** chairman J O'Farrell secretary

25-04-1899 A trustees meeting was held at 0'Farrells camp when it was decided to get 1 1/2 tons wire**. M McDonnell** chairman.

19-06-1899 A trustees meeting was held at O'Farralls camp when it was decided to call tenders for making gates for the Palmers Oakey Common. **M McDonnell** chairman.

03-03-1900 A trustees meeting held on the Big Hill when it was decided to write to Mr W G Thompson re ground and to issue notices warning anyone from removing stock without acquainting the trustees and granting common rights to Robert Munro and Edward Wolfenden. **M McDonnell** chairman.

04-08-1900 A trustees meeting at D Munros to make new rules and regulations. **Mr McDonnell** in the chair. It was put to the vote to reduce the stock for each commoner from 25 to 20 head each. carried by 3 votes to 1 **Mr McDonnell** being against it. Proposed by D McKinnon to have 4 s goats and 1 he goat each commoner Seconded G Bowers Carried. and to alter the Penaltes of the different clauses which was done and the meeting closed. **M McDonnell** chairman.

00-10-1900 A trustees meeting was held at F Hydes place when it was decided to issue notices to give in the number of stock and pay for same on or before 24-12-1900 also call a public meeting on 8-12-1900 to review common roll **M McDonnell** Chairman.

13-01-1901 A public meeting was called for this date but was adjourned (being Sunday) to the 19th Jan which was duly held on the 19th Jan 1901 to elect trustees for the ensuing three years. Proposed by D D Munro D Hopkins seconded by C Ferguson, W Smith proposed by C Ferguson seconded by W Theobald, J Wilkinson proposed by W Theobald seconded by F Hyde, F Hyde, proposed by D Munro seconded by F Wilkinson, D D Munro proposed by C Ferguson seconded **M McDonnell** all carried unanimously. At the same meeting the balance sheet was read and passed as correct.

29-11-1902 A trustees meeting was held on the above date at which all the trustees were present, and the following commoners were granted rights. Archibald Davison, **James McDonnell,** Mrs D McKinnon, E McKinnon, A A Park. and it was resolved to erect an impounding yard as soon as they could get the funds to do so and the meeting closed. D Hopkins chairman.

COMMON ROLL 1901---1902

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Mrs McDonnell	Upper Turon	Resident
James McDonnell	Upper Turon	Resident Miner
Michael McDonnell	Upper Turon	Resident Miner

16-01-1904 A Public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of electing trustees for the ensuing three years when the following gentlemen were duly elected. Ewen Ferguson, **James McDonnell**, Francis Hyde, Duncan McKinnon, William Theobald, .Also balance sheet was read and passed. D Hopkins chairman

14-01-1905 A public meeting was held on this date when the balance sheet for 1904 was gone over and was found correct and passed, also the fence at **McDonnells** should be fixed as to prevent the cattle and horses from going through on Mr Corlis' land which was agreed to. D Munro chairman.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No: Admit	Pupils Name	Age	Rel	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class	-date	Reason for Leaving
10-10-76	John McDonnell	10	RC	Michael McDonnell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-	10/76	
21-8-76	James McDonald	14	RC	Michael McDonald	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd-	8/76	17-4-77

21-8-76	Catherine McDonnell	12	RC	Michael McDonnell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	3rd-	8/76
21-8-76	Elizabeth McDonnell	5	RC	Michael McDonnell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-	8/76
18-9-76	Margaret McDonnell	8	RC	Michael McDonnell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-	9/76
24-4-77	Michael McDonnell	10	RC	John McDonnell	Bathurst	Publican	2nd	4/77
?-7-77	James McDonnell	15	RC	Michael McDonnell	Palmers Oakey	Miner 2nd	7/77	
1-4-78	John McDonald	11	RC	Michael McDonald	Palmers Oakey	Miner 2nd	4/78	Wanted at home

08-10-1881 At a special common meeting held to elect two trustees in the room of Mr J Dunkel and R Belperaud resigned the following gentlemen were duly elected; **Mr M McDonnell** proposed by J Dunkel seconded by Mr G Bower carried. Mr Daniel Hopkins Proposed by A McIntyre second by R Belperraud. carried. R Belperraud chairman. J Dunkel Sec.

20-01-1883 General meeting of Commoners to elect 5 trustees for ensuing 3 years. David D Munro, Daniel Hopkins, **Michael McDonnell**, Peter McKinnon, elected and also approved of, also John Thomas Franks proposed D Hopkins John A McKinnon.

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON

	NAME	**HORSES**	**CATTLE**
1882	Michael McDonnall	4	9
	Mary McDonnell		5
	John McDonnell	2	5
1883	Michael McDonnell	3	2
	John McDonnall	1	
1884	Michael McDonell	3	1
	John McDonell	1	1
1885	Michael McDonnell	3	1
	John McDonnell	1	2
1886	John McDonnell	1	4
	Michael McDonnell	3	2
1887	John McDonnell	4	6
1888	John McDonnell	1	5
	James McDonnell	1	4
	Michael McDonnell	4	3
1889	Michael McDonnell	5	4
	John McDonnall	1	4
	James McDonnell	1	4
1890	James McDonnell	3	2
	Michel McDonnell	2	5
	John McDonnell	3	2
1891	Michael McDonnell	3	6
	James McDonnell	2	2
	John J McDonnell	1	2
1892	James McDonnell	2	2
	John McDonnell	2	3
	Michael McDonnell	5	5
1893	John McDonnell	3	6
	Michael McDonnell	5	12
1894	Michael McDonnell	6	15
	James McDonnell	9	8
1895	Michael McDonnell	7	18
	James McDonnell	6	6
1896	Michael McDonnell	6	13
	James McDonnell	1	7
1897	Michael McDonnell	6	13
	James McDonnell	1	5
1898	Michael McDonnell	4	
1899	James McDonnell	1	11
1900	Michael McDonnell	2	14
	James McDonnell	2	4
1901	Michael McDonnell	2	6
1902	Michael McDonnell	3	7
	Mrs B McDonnell	6	
1903	Bridget McDonnell	2	11
	Michael McDonnell	1	6
1904	Michael McDonnell	1	4
	James McDonnell	1	6
1905	Michael McDonnell	3	
	James McDonnell	1	5
1906	James McDonnell	1	10
1907	James McDonnell	2	11
1908	James McDonnell	1	10
1909	J McDonnell	2	5

McDONNELL

1. **Michael McDonnell** b. 1827, Co. Clare Ireland, m.1857, in Sydney, **Bridget McArdle,** b.1827, Armagh Ireland, d.1888,
Children:

	i	Mary J McDonnell	b. 00-00-1858, Upper Turon.	
	ii	Bridget McDonnell	b. 00-00-1860, Upper Turon,	m. 1881, in Sydney, **John Molloy.**
	iii	James McDonnell	b. 00-00-1862, Upper Turon.	
2.	iv	Catherine Mary Agnes McDonnell	b. 00-00-1864.	
	v	John J McDonnell	b. 00-00-1866, Upper Turon.	
3.	vi	Margaret McDonnell	b. 00-00-1868.	
	vii	Elizabeth McDonnell	b. 00-00-1870, Upper Turon,	m. **Mc Evoy.**

Second Generation

2. **Catherine Mary Agnes McDonnell** b. 1864, Upper Turon, m. 1893, in Sydney, **Thomas Cleary.**

Children:

i	Thomas C Cleary	b. 00-00-1893, Sydney.
ii	Mary B Cleary	b. 00-00-1895, Sydney.

3. **Margaret McDonnell** b. 1868, Upper Turon, m. 31-10-1889, in St Peters Darlinghurst, **Thomas Noonan.**

Children:

i	Marguerita C Noonan	b. 00-00-1890, Sydney.
ii	Elsie Elizabeth Noonan	b. 00-00-1892, Sydney.
iii	Thomas A Noonan	b. 00-00-1896, Sydney.
iv	John W Noonan	b. 00-00-1899, Sydney.
v	Veronica Noonan	b. 00-00-1903, Sydney.

McINTYRE

I know little of Alexander McIntyre, on his marriage certificate he was born 1834 in London , son of a carpenter and on his death cert place of birth Scotland, son of a carpenter .
On the 15th Sept 1868 in the house of James Dyson Palmers Oakey he married Caroline Henley
(James Dyson was her step-father.)
There were no children recorded from the marriage.
Alexander died 2-11-1886 in Balmain Sydney from Phthisis. Occupation gold digger.
Caroline then lived with John William (Jack) Wilkinson, had a girl and 2 boys and died 23-1-1925 at Palmers Oakey, and is buried there.

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ELECTORAL ROLL 1870—71

NAME	**AREA**
McIntyre Alexander	Palmers Oakey

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MCINTYRE	Alexander	miner	Palmer's Oakey

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McIntyre Alexander	miner

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1885. Reg. letters to Palmers Oakey from Mitchells Creek l.; A McIntyre.

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23-12-1886 Common meeting hold to consider applications for Common Rights and to elect a Trustee in place of **Alex McIntyre** deceased. Thomas Lynch by E O'Farrell and G McLeod. J J Martin chairman.

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44 McINTYRE	Caroline Victoria	F	Palmers Oakey	D D	

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31 McIntyre	Caroline Victoria	F	Palmers Oakey	D D	

COMMON ROLL 1908

NAME	**GROUND FOR CLAIM**
Carolina McIntyre	D D
Mary McIntyre,	Resident

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1908 People Registered as living in the Palmers Oakey area

31	McINTYRE	Carolina Victoria	F	Palmers Oakey	HD

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1919

17	McINTYRE	Caroline Victoria	F	Palmers Oakey	H D

18 McIntyre Mary Ellen F Palmers Oakey H D

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1880	Alexander Mcintyre		8
1881	Alexander Mcintyre	6	3
1882	Alexander McIntyre	6	1
1883	Alexander McIntyre	6	1
1884	Alexander McIntyre	2	1
1885	Alexander McIntyre	2	1
1886	A McIntyre	2	1
1888	Carolina McIntyre		3
1889	Caroline McIntyre		4
1890	Carolina McIntyre		4
1891	Carolina McIntyre	1	4
1892	Carolina Mcintyre	1	4
1883	Caroline McIntyre	1	7
1884	C V McIntyre	1	6
1885	C V McIntyre	1	8
1886	C V McIntyre		9
1887	Caroline McIntyre		12
1888	Carolina McIntyre		12
1889	Carolina McIntyre		9
1890	Carolina Mcintyre	10	10
1891	Carolina McIntyre		14
1892	Caroline McIntyre	1	16
1893	Carolina McIntyre		18
1894	Caroline McIntyre		9
1895	Caroline McIntyre		14
1896	Mrs C V McIntyre		8
	Mary E Mcintyre		5
1897	Mary E McIntyre	1	7
	Mrs C V McIntyre	1	4
1898	Mary E McIntyre	1	10
	Mrs C V McIntyre		4
1899	Mrs C V McIntyre		5
	Mary E McIntyre	1	8
1900	Carolina Mcintyre	10	10
1901	Carolina McIntyre		14
1902	Caroline McIntyre	1	16
1903	Carolina McIntyre		18
1904	Caroline McIntyre		9
1905	Caroline McIntyre		14
1906	Mrs C V McIntyre		8
	Mary E Mcintyre		5
1907	Mary E McIntyre	1	7
	Mrs C V McIntyre	1	4
1908	Mary E McIntyre	1	10
	Mrs C V McIntyre		4
1909	Mary E McIntyre	1	8
	Mary E McIntyre	1	8

McKINNON

The McKinnons of Palmers Oakey arrived in Australia on the *"Boyne",* a ship of 619 tons. The master was George Richardson, and they sailed out of Cromarty Scotland on the 1st September 1838, visited the Cape of Good Hope on the 23rd November 1838, and arrived Sydney 1st January 1839. There were no vessels communicated with. There was no cholera etc. There was a crew of 37, emigrants 284 and 2 passengers, the Rev Colin Stewart from Scotland and Ewen Cameron Esq Surgeon.

During the voyage there were 8 deaths, 7 from bowel complaint and colds, and 1 from old age. On arrival there were 3 people ill. There was no infectious diseases whatever on the voyage.

The Health Officer gave the following,

I hereby certify having boarded the ship "Boyne" with emigrants (248) from Scotland and found all the passengers and crew at present quite healthy. 3 adults have died during the voyage and five children, of the former one from infirmity and two from dysentery, of the latter five from dysentery, and the last death of 29th November. With the exception of bowel complaints on board, the people are clean and very healthy in their appearance and the 'tween decks clean and wholesome. John Dobie Health Officer 2nd January 1839

To the Editor of the Sydney Gazette.

SIR,

Although utter strangers in the colony, we shall feel much obliged to you if you will be so kind as to give the following testimony to Captain Richardson, of the ship Boyne, publicity through the medium of your useful journal. . I am, sir, in behalf of all the Emigrants in the ship Boyne, your most obedient humble servant, CHARLES M'GREGOR,

The Emigrants just arrived from the Highlands of Scotland, by the ship Boyne, deem it a duty incumbent upon them to testify in this public manner their unfeigned 'gratitude and respect to Captain Richardson, for his kind, affectionate, and gentlemanly conduct towards them. He has, indeed, been as a brother to us all, and a father to the children. His solicitude in directing all things for our comfort, and his unaffected manners, will I not soon be forgotten by us.

The first officer, Mr. Daniel, and all the other Officers, and Seamen, also deserve our sincere thanks for their continued kindness to all the passengers.
The manner in which Mr. Ewen Cameron, the surgeon, has conducted the affairs committed to his charge is beyond all praise. His patience and unremitting: attention to the sick could not be exceeded. His attention, also, in enforcing and directing the most salutary regulation for the health and comfort of all has proved eminently successful.
The Rev. Colin Stewart, who has acted as Chaplain on board, deserves our lasting gratitude, for he has spared no pains in his endeavors to improve the moral and intellectual capacities of all, particularly the young. His public and private ministrations are highly appreciated by all fellow passengers ;-the solemnity of public worship on the Lord's, day has been so congenial to our feelings that we felt more at home than we otherwise could have done.
Mr. Duncan Cameron, who has acted as Schoolmaster, deserves the thanks and. gratitude of all the parents on board, for his careful and unremitting endeavors to instill sound principles and communicate useful knowledge to the young.
Ship Boyne, Jan., 1839,

The Rev Colin Stewart mentioned became the minister at Bowenfels and ministered to the people of Palmers Oakey and held land at Limekilms next to the McKinnons there. He was known as the Riding Parson and ventured as far west as Wellington.

The Passenger List states,
Ewen McKinnon, married male immigrant, arrived by the ship "Boyne", brought out by the Govt. A native of Kilmonwaig Inverness , son of Angus McKinnon a farmer in same place and Mary McDonald his wife. Calling shepherd. Age on embarkation 62, 1st Jan 1839. State of bodily health and probable usefulness, very good. Religion Presbyterian. Remarks reads & write, no complaints.
Mary McKinnon, married female immigrant. A native of Morven Argyllshire. Daughter of Peter McMullen a shepherd in Morven & Mary McDermott his wife. Calling service. State of bodily health and probable usefulness, very good. Religion Presbyterian. Remarks reads & write.
The children were listed by name and age on embarkation. Peter 30, Donald 28, Ewen 22, Duncan 17, John 13, Archibald 8. Mary 19, Catherine 15, Janet 10.
Their movements on arrival are not known at this stage (2011). The next record is Peter's marriage to Janet Ferguson at "Yarras" near Bathurst on the 20th May 1941,
Peter died at "Warrie" 31-08-1886 and is buried at Palmers Oakey. **Janet** lived on for another 16 years and died at Palmers Oakey 25-11-1902 (she lived on her own in a hut near the cross roads about 200 m from her daughter Mary, (who married David Munro) She was buried 27-11-1902 next to Peter.

Some of Peters siblings married into the same families ,
Donald married Catherine McKay and had a hotel at Walang,
Mary married John McKay, blacksmith and Bathurst Alderman,
Janet married Hugh McKay and settled at Evans Plains, Farmer
John married Catherine Ferguson. He was a leading Magistrate, PP Board Chairman, Farmer**.**
Archibald married Mary Ferguson, shop keeper and Post Master,
Duncan had the "Limekilns Inn" from 1852 till 1861.

Peters children

Duncan married Sarah Banning and lived near the cemetery and then moved to "Oaks" in the early 1900's. Most of their children stayed in the area. The last to leave was Stan and his wife Jean in 1949 .Duncan was a miner, farmer, post man. Duncan died 27-02-1923, buried Palmers Oakey, buried Palmers Oakey, Sarah died 12-09-1947 "Oaks" buried Palmers Oakey.

Mary married David Munro and they lived about 200 m along the Bathurst road from the cross road on the bottom side of the road. Later they built a new house "Clearview" up the hill 300 m on the other side of the road. David died 25-04-1915 buried Palmers Oakey Mary died 28-02-1923 the day after her brother Duncan, she is also buried Palmers Oakey

Their children that married locals,
Peter married Ethel Shumack,
Martha married Aiden Shumack, Margareta married George Parr,
Ethel Married Reg Nancarrow.
There are Munros still living at "Clearview"

Peter McKinnon Snr lived at Limekilns and his profession was given as overseer, shepherd, then in the late 1840's he moved to the Palmers Oakey / Coolamigal area and his profession was farmer & grazier. He prospered in the Coolamigal area and ran large numbers of stock.
The McLean mentioned below must have taken over a lot of land as at his death he controlled all the land from the Capertee Valley to the mountains overlooking Bathurst.

The following comes from Willian Corliss' memoris.("Bandanora" Capertee.)

" The station was always known as Bandanora, but I do not know the origin or meaning of the word.. It was a station for many years before we got it. My father did not buy it. Peter McKinnon and John McLean were occupying it, when in 1861 Keenan, (one of the early innkeepers who married Williams sister) who had some knowledge of surveying, informer us that he considered that McKinnon and McLean's lease did not embrace the Station. He came to the conclusion after running a line with a pocket compass and stepping the distance from a measured portion at Round Swamp. The distance was about 4 miles. My father had the land embracing the station put up for lease, and he purchased the lease. He and my brother John then went over to the station. The hutkeeper went out to get some firewood, and my father walked in to the hut. He refused to let the hutkeeper in again, and when the shepherd returned with the sheep in the afternoon, he (my father) would not permit him to put the sheep in the yard but impounded them instead. He took them to the pound at Kelso. My father was threatened with Court proceedings. I think McKinnon and McLean then employed a surveyor to investigate. However no Court action was taken, and we remained in procession"

This is how Peter McKinnon appears in The History of Palmers Oakey.

14-03-1843 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee, Ferguson) had a son Ewen.

28-04-1843 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had their son Ewen baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the birthplace of Ewen as Limekilns and Peters profession as Overseer of Bathurst. Peter and his family came to Aust. on the "Boyne" with the Rev Stewart in 1839.

20-08-1846 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had a daughter Janet.

22-12-1846 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had their daughter Janet baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the birthplace of Janet as Limekilns and Peters profession as Shepherd.

08-12-1859 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had a son Donald

11-12-1859 Peter McKinnon and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had their son Donald baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart They gave Donald's birthplace as Palmers Oakey and Peters profession as Farmer and Grazier.

05-02-1862 Peter McKinnon and Janet (nee Ferguson) had a son William Cameron.

22-06-1862 Peter McKinnon and Janet (nee Ferguson) had their son William Cameron baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Palmers Oakey and Peters profession as Farmer

20-01-1883 General meeting of Commoners to elect 5 trustees for ensuing 3 years. David D Munro, Daniel Hopkins, Michael McDonnell, **Peter McKinnon**, elected and also approved of, also John Thomas Franks proposed D Hopkins John A McKinnon.

COMMON STOCK RECORDS.

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1880	Peter McKinnon	4	6
1881	Peter McKinnon	2	3
1882	Peter McKinnon Snr	3	2
1884	Peter McKinnon Snr	1	3
1885	Peter McKinnon Snr	1	8

This is how Duncan McKinnon appears in The History of Palmers Oakey.

23-03-1889 Common meeting at J Dunkels. Application by **Duncan McKinnon** granted. Proposed by John J Martin to impose a Special Tax of 6d per head for all stock on common, tax to be on or before 15-4-1889. J Dunkel chairman and sec

24-04-1901 Trustees of Palmers Oakey Union Church purchased at auction in Bathurst portion 16 Dulabree for Church site.Trustees being David Munro. Charles Ferguson, William Lewis, Frank Hyde, John Thomas Franks, **Duncan McKinnon**, William Tacke.

16-01-1904 A Public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of electing trustees for the ensuing three years when the following gentlemen were duly elected. Ewen Ferguson, James McDonnell, Francis Hyde, **Duncan McKinnon**, William Theobald, .Also balance sheet was read and passed. D Hopkins chairman.

00-00-1909 About this time **Duncan** had the mail run and as he was unable to read and write he took his son Stan (aged 7) out of school to go with him and read the mail so it went to the right people

11-12-1910 A public meeting was held on this date to elect Trustees for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected :- John Thomas Bowers, Robert McKinnon, Aiden Shumack, Peter Munro, **Duncan McKinnon**. At the same meeting the balance sheet was revised and passed **Duncan McKinnon** chairman.

08-03-1913 A trustees meeting was held but there was nothing to discuss. Duncan McKinnon chairman.

26-01-1916 A duly advertised public meeting was held on this date when the following trustees were elected for the ensuing 3 years , **Duncan McKinnon**, Duncan Ferguson, Peter Munro, Charles Ferguson, Roy Ferguson. The balance sheet for the year 1915 was also presented and passed at the meeting also the commoners roll was revised, A T Shumack chairman.

18-05-1916 A son Robert Donald McKinnon enlisted in the army at Broadmeadows & allotted army number 3157.

17-10-1916 Robert McKinnon embarked at Sydney for England with the 7th Reinforcements, 1st Pioneer Battalion per the HMAT "Borda".

12-12-1916 A meeting of trustees was held on this date . Moved by C Ferguson sec by P Munro that a lisence, (sic) be granted to Duncan McKinnon to cut and remove standing timber from off the Palmers Oakey common . Moved by P Munro sec by Charles Ferguson that also a lisence (sic) be granted to D Ferguson for the same purpose as **D McKinnon**. P Munro chairman.

09-01-1917 Robert McKinnon disembarked at Plymouth England.

05-02-1917 A meeting was held on the above date at which Mr Britt presided he came to inspect residential lease application by **Duncan McKinnon** no objection was raised by trustees. Duncan Ferguson chairman

10-02-1917 A trustees meeting was held on the above date to appoint a new secretary E Ferguson having resigned Moved by C Ferguson seconded by **D McKinnon** that M J Ferguson take the secretaryship. A application for a common right from Miss E McKinnon was received and granted. R Ferguson chairman

06-06-1917 A meeting of trustees was held at the above date. A letter was read from Chief Inspector of Stock referring to ridding Common of briars it was decided to write and tell the Dept. it was impossible for Trustees to do so as the cost would be too high. It was also decided to call a public meeting to elect a trustee in lieu of **D McKinnon resigned**. P Munro

23-06-1917 A public meeting adver to take place on the 23rd June was not attended so Trustees elected C W Ferguson trustee instead of **D McKinnon** resigned

23-01-1918 Robert McKinnon proceeded from England to France.

19-06-1918 Robert McKinnon admitted to 54th General Hospital sick-

22-06-1918 Robert McKinnon admitted to the General Hospital Brighton England.

21-11-1918 Robert McKinnon proceeded to France.

11-01-1919 A duly advertised commoners meeting was held at the above date when balance sheet for past year was examined & found correct. & the following gentlemen were elected to act as trustees for common for the next three years. **Duncan McKinnon**, Duncan Roy Ferguson, Charles Peet Ferguson, Peter Archibald Munro, Duncan Ferguson. C P Ferguson Chairman

20-10-1919 Robert Donald McKinnon discharged from the army.

11-01-1919 A duly advertised commoners meeting was held at the above date when balance sheet for past year was examined & found correct. & the following gentlemen were elected to act as trustees for common for the next three years. **Duncan McKinnon**, Duncan Roy Ferguson, Charles Peet Ferguson, Peter Archibald Munro, Duncan Ferguson. C P Ferguson Chairman

21-12-1921 A trustees meeting was held on above date when the trustees gave their permission to **Duncan McKinnon** to purchase his Residential Lease 371 & his Sp LeaseNo16.30. D Ferguson chairman.

13-03-1922 A trustees meeting was held on the above date for the purpose of granting permission to C P Ferguson, Ewen Ferguson, & **Duncan McKinnon** to ringbark their RSs & SL on common. Permission was granted stipulating that 8 trees to the acre and all usefull timber be left. Present D Ferguson, C P Ferguson, Ewen Ferguson, P A Munro, **Duncan McKinnon** and secretary, also fifteen shillings was allowed to D Ferguson for fixing common gate. D Ferguson chairman.

1921—22 Post Office records show that during 1921-22 four people in Palmers Oakey were receiving the Invalid and Old age Pensions, every fortnight :- **Duncan McKinnon 30/-, Sarah L McKinnon 30/-** ,

27-02-1923 **Duncan McKinnon** died.

28-02-1923 Mary Munro died.(nee McKinnon sister to **Duncan**)

COMMON STOCK RECORDS.

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1883	Duncan McKinnon		1
1884	Duncan McKinnon		3
1889	Duncan McKinnon		3
1890	Duncan McKinnon	2	4
1891	Duncan McKinnon	5	4
1892	Duncan McKinnon	6	10
1893	Duncan McKinnon	4	5
1894	Duncan McKinnon		13
1895	Duncan McKinnon	6	8
1896	Duncan McKinnon	5	8
1897	Duncan McKinnon	5	2
1898	Duncan McKinnon	4	4
1899	Duncan McKinnon	4	
1900	Duncan McKinnon	3	1
1901	Duncan McKinnon	3	2
1902	Duncan McKinnon	2	3
1913	Duncan McKinnon		3
1914	Duncan McKinnon		3
1915	Mrs D McKinnon	1	2
	Duncan McKinnon		4
1916	Duncan McKinnon		1
	Mrs D McKinnon	1	2
1917	Duncan McKinnon		2
1918	Duncan McKinnon	2	
	Mrs D McKinnon	1	1
1919	Duncan McKinnon		2
	Mrs D McKinnon		1

1920 **COMMON ROLL**

Duncan McKinnon	Old age pensioner
Mrs Duncan McKinnon	Domestic Duties

When Duncan & Sarahs daughter Elizabeth married Ewen McColl Ferguson in 1913 the family gradually moved up to “Oaks” to live with them.

After Duncan died in 1923 the children moved away, except Stan who stayed on with his mother and worked for his brother-in-law Ewen McColl Ferguson. He married Jean Churches in 1936 and she came to live with them at “Oaks”. During the late 1930’s Ewen and Stan moved to Bathurst where Ewen ran a rabbit boneing works .
Ewen McColl died 22-04-1934 and was buried at Palmers Oakey, Sarah died 12-09-1947 at “Oaks” and was buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery. Elizabeth died the next year 13-07-1948 and buried near her mother.
Stan and Jean stayed on at “Oaks” and worked for Ewen’s Estate

03-02-1950 Stan & Jean McKinnon left Palmers Oakey and went to Evans Plains to work for the Ross family.

Robert (Bob) Donald McKinnon was born at Palmers Oakey 30-05-1884 went to school here , worked in the area (was chainman for H M Terry when he surveyed this area), went to W W 1 (see war record in year 1919) When he returned from the war he got off the train at Portland and walked home. Worked on the Hawksbury River Rail bridge. During the 1950s was living with his brother Les in Stewart St Bathurst. He asked D Ferguson if he could come to live at Palmers Oakey and on the 29-08-1956 he came to live at "Oaks". He was receiving the pension, the Fergusons gave him meat and milk. He went to Bathurst with them to do his shopping. He enjoyed good health up until 1962 when he started to have trouble with his heart and prostrate. On the 25-09-1963 D Ferguson took him to Bathurst to see a doctor and make inquiries about going to live at the Macquarrie Homes, on their return home was in good sprits.
27-09-1963 Fergusons went to Bathurst and asked Clive Munro to check on Bob, Clive came over and talked to him in the kitchen that night and got the impression that Bob wanted him to leave early, this was unusual as Bob loved to have a yarn. Clive left about 9-00 PM saying he would see him (Bob) tomorrow. The next day 28th Clive called to see Bob late in the afternoon and when he was not at the house, Clive thought he was at the toilet (50 yards away), after a while he started to look for Bob. Soon it became clear he was not around so Clive raised the alarm.
He has never been found

McKINNON

1. **Angus McKinnon** occupation Farmer of Inverness, Scotland m. **Margaret McDonald.**

Children:

2.	i	Ewen McKinnon	b. 00-00-1777.
3.	ii	??? McKinnon.	

Second Generation

2. **Ewen McKinnon** b. 1777, Kilmonivaig Invernesshire Scotland, occupation Shepherd, m. 17-04-1806, in Kilmonivaig Invernesshire Scotland, **Marcella McMullen**, b. 1788, Morven Argyleshire Scotland, (daughter of Peter McMullen and Marcella McDermott) occupation Service, d. 12-12-1862, Limekilns, buried: 14-12-1862, Bathurst Presbyterian Section. Ewen died 12-02-1847, Limekilns, buried: 14-02-1847, Bathurst. Presbyterian Section. Age 73 on headstone, native of Lochaber Scotland. Marcella: Father Peter McMillan, Mother Mary McDermott. Cause of death, lupus. Age 78 on headstone.

Children:

	i	John McKinnon	b. 01-03-1807, Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, d. 00-07-1824, Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland.
	ii	Peter Leonard McKinnon	b. 00-11-1808.
5.	iii	Donald McKinnon	b. 22-09-1810.
	iv	Margaret McKinnon	b. 04-10-1812, Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, d. 08-10-1833, Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland.
	V	Alexander McKinnon	b. 22-09-1814, Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, d. 21-12-1833, Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland.
	vi	Ewen McKinnon	b. 06-10-1816, Invernesshire Scotland, d. 00-00-1885, Tumut.
6.	vii	Mary McKinnon	b. 23-02-1820.
7.	viii	Duncan McKinnon	b. 01-12-1821.
8.	ix	Catherine McKinnon	b. 09-10-1823.
9.	x	John McKinnon	b. 04-01-1826.
10.	xi	Janet McKinnon	b. 00-00-1829.
11.	xii	Archibald McKinnon	b. 17-10-1830.

3. **??? McKinnon.**

Children:

	i	Isabella Jessie McKinnon	b. 00-00-1822.

Third Generation

4. **Peter Leonard McKinnon** b. 00-11-1808, Invernesshire Scotland, 12-11-1808, occupation Shepherd / Manager/Farmer, m. 20-05-1841, at "Yarras" Bathurst, **Janet Ferguson**, b. 1821, Isle of Skye Scotland, d. 25-11-1902, Palmers Oakey, buried: 27-11-1902, Palmers Oakey. Peter died 31-08-1886, "Warrie" Palmers Oakey, buried: 02-09-1886, Palmers Oakey.
Janet: See Ferguson Tree

Children.

	i	Gwen McKinnon.	
	ii	Ewen McKinnon	b. 14-03-1843, Limekilns, bpt 28-04-1843, Limekilns by Rev Colin Stewart.
12.	iii	Duncan McKinnon	b. 01-01-1845.
13.	iv	Janet McKinnon	b. 20-08-1846.
14.	v	Mary McKinnon	b. 24-02-1849.
15.	vi	John Alexander McKinnon	b. 12-11-1850.
	vii	Margaret McKinnon	b. 23-09-1852.
16.	viii	Peter McKinnon	b. 00-00-1855.
	ix	Archibald A McKinnon	b. 00-00-1857, m. 1888, in Sofala, **Sarah A Bonfield**. Archibald d 1910, Wattle Flat.
	x	Donald McKinnon	b. 08-12-1859, Palmers Oakey, bpt 11-12-1859, P O by Rev Colin Stewart, d. 1891.
	xi	William Cameron McKinnon	b. 05-02-1862, Palmers Oakey, bpt 22-06-1862, P O by Rev Colin Stewart, d. 1865.

5. **Donald McKinnon** b. 22-09-1810, Invernesshire Scotland, occupation Farmer & Publican, m. 1842, in Green Swamp (Walang) near Bathurst, **Catherine McKay,** b. 00-00-1822, Isle of Coll, (daughter of Lachlan McKay and Ann Stewart) d.-1898, Orange. Donald died 27-07-1862, Russell St Bathurst, buried: 30-07-1862, Presbyterian Section Bathurst. Catherine: Arrived Jan 1838 on the "*Brilliant*".
She had been in service in a farmhouse on Coll. Spoke Gaelic, little English.

Children:

	i	Alexander McKinnon	b. 14-09-1843.
17.	ii	Annie McKinnon	b. 00-00-1845.
	iii	May McKinnon	b. 06-12-1846, Limekilns, bpt 22-12-1846, Limekilns by Rev Colin Stewart.
	iv	Hugh Lachlan McKinnon	b. 21-04-1848, County Cook.
	v	Mary Eliza McKinnon	b. 00-00-1850, Bathurst.
	vi	Margaret McKinnon	b. 00-00-1852, Bathurst.
	vii	Isabella McKinnon	b. 00-00-1854, Meroo.
	viii	Jessie McKinnon	b. 00-00-1855, Bathurst.
	ix	Catherine McKinnon	b. 00-00-1857, Bathurst.
	x	Emily E McKinnon	b. 00-00-1859, Carcoar.
	xi	Lachlan Donald McKinnon	b. 02-12-1861, Orange, bpt 18-02-1862, d. 1895, Dubbo.

6. **Mary McKinnon** b. 23-02-1820, Invernesshire Scotland, m. 29-09-1842, in Bathurst, **John McKay**, b. 1818, Derrivag Mull, (son of Lachlan McKay and Ann Stewart) occupation Blacksmith, d. 21-12-1863.
Mary died 25-05-1905. John: Elder of St Stephens Pres. Church & Alderman on Bathurst Council

Children:

i	Margaret McKay	b. 27-08-1843, Bathurst, m. 1861, in Bathurst, **Henry Makin.**	
ii	Hector McKay	b. 00-00-1845, County Cook. -	
iii	Hugh McKay	b. 00-00-1847, Hill End.	
iv	Lachlan McKay	b. 26-09-1849, Summer Hill,	d. 16-04-1850.
v	John F McKay	b. 00-00-1854, Bathurst,	d. 1873, Bathurst.
vi	Alexander A S McKay	b. 00-00-1856, Bathurst, m. 1879, in Bathurst, **Lydia Elphick.**	
vii	George D McKay	b. 00-00-1858, Bathurst.	
viii	Marcella A McKay	b. 00-00-1861, Bathurst.	
ix	Jessie McKay	b. 00-00-1863, Bathurst, m. 1887, in Bathurst, **Harry M Hawkins.**	

7. **Duncan McKinnon** b. 01-12-1821, Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, 17-07-1821, occupation Publican, m. 27-07-1854, in Sydney, **Catherine McMaster**. Duncan died 18-05-1900. Duncan opened the "Limekilns Inn" , December 1852 & held the licence till 1861

Children:

i	Catherine McKinnon	b. 00-00-1855, Meroo, m. 1882, in Tumut, **Peter Kelly.** Catherine died 1874.	
ii	Ewen A McKinnon	b. 00-00-1857, Bathurst,	d. 1867, Tumut.
iii	Margaret McKinnon	b. 00-00-1858, Bathurst.	
iv	Allan McKinnon	b. 16-05-1860, Bathurst,	d 16-07-1860.
v	Marcella J McKinnon	b. 00-00-1863, Bathurst.	
vi	Duncan D McKinnon	b. 06-08-1865, Bathurst,	bpt 28-02-1866, d.1886, Tumut.
vii	Female McKinnon	b. 00-00-1867, Tumut.	
viii	Female McKinnon	b. 00-00-1869, Tumut.	
ix	Unnamed McKinnon	b. 00-00-1871, Tumut.	
x	John McKinnon	b. 00-00-1874, Tumut.	
xi	Ewen A McKinnon	b. 00-00-1864, Tumut.	
xii	Isabella M McKinnon	b. 00-00-1870, Tumut,	d. 1870, Tumut.
xiii	Catherine McKinnon	b. 00-00-1874, Tumut,	d. 1874, Tumut.
xiv	Duncan D McKinnon	b. 00-00-1886, Tumut,	d. 1886, Tumut.

8. **Catherine McKinnon** b. 09-10-1823, Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, , m. (1) 1848, in Pitt Town, **John Easson.** m. (2) 1863, in Sofala, **Alexander Glassford Campbell,** d. 1881, Evans Plains Catherine died 1881, Evans Plains.

Children by Alexander Glassford Campbell:

18.	i	Ewen D Campbell	b. 00-00-1864.

9. **John McKinnon** b. 04-01-1826, Kilmonivaig Invernes Scotland, occupation Farmer & Grazier, m. 04-10-1855, in Bathurst, **Catherine Ferguson**, b. 1826, Scotland, d. 31-05-1920, Limekilns, buried: Presbyterian Section Bathurst. John died 18-09-1907, Limekilns, buried: 20-09-1907, Bathurst Presbyterian. **Catherine: See Ferguson Tree**

Children:

	i	Annie Janet McKinnon	b. 19-06-1856, Limekilns, d. 22-10-1879, Limekilns, buried: 23-10-1879, Pres Bathurst.
	ii	Ewen P McKinnon	b. 20-08-1857, Limekilns, d. 20-08-1857, Limekilns.
19.	iii	Marcella M McKinnon	b. 02-06-1859.
20.	iv	Duncan Ferguson McKinnon	b. 12-04-1861.
	v	Jno F McKinnon	b. 00-00-1861, Bathurst.
	vi	John Donald McKinnon	b. 03-12-1862, Limekilns, d. 17-05-1891, Limekilns, buried: Pres Bathurst.
	vii	Alexander W McKinnon	b. 04-09-1864, Limekilns, d. 11-08-1894, Wattle Flat, fell from his horse, buried: 14-08-1894, Bathurst.
	viii	George Busby McKinnon	b. 13-06-1866, Limekilns, 21-03-1867, d. 17-03-1941, Bathurst, buried: Presb Bathurst.
21.	ix	Catherine Ferguson McKinnon	b. 09-08-1870.

10. **Janet McKinnon** b. 1829, Kilmonivaig Inverness Scotland, m. 1851, in Bathurst, **Hugh McKay,** b. 1828, Isle of Coll, (son of Lachlan McKay and Ann Stewart) d. 1903, Bathurst. Janet died 1903, Bathurst Hugh: Settled at Evans Plains

Children:

	i	Isabella McKay	b. 23-01-1851.
	ii	Hector McKay	b. 00-00-1857, Bathurst.
	iii	Margaret McKay	b. 00-00-1858, Bathurst.
22.	iv	Catherine Emily McKay	b. 19-10-1860.

11. **Archibald McKinnon** b. 17-10-1830, Kilmaille Argylishire Scotland, m. 24-06-1861, in Sydney, **Mary Ferguson,** b. 1828, Scotland, d. 16-09-1907, Bathurst, buried: Bathurst. Archibald died 1917, Bathurst. **Mary: See Ferguson Tree**

Children:

23.	i	Frederick Joseph McKinnon	b. 00-00-1862.
	ii	Marcella McKinnon	b. 00-00-1863.
	iii	John McKinnon	b. 00-00-1864.
24.	iv	Duncan Ewen McKinnon	b. 00-00-1866.
	v	Elizabeth G S McKinnon	b. 20-03-1869, bpt 17-05-1869, d. 1878.
	vi	Archibald Donald McKinnon	b. 00-00-1871.

Fourth Generation

12. **Duncan McKinnon** b. 01-01-1845, Palmers Oakey, occupation Miner/Farmer, m. 23-01-1877, in Palmers Oakey, **Sarah Louisa Banning,** b. 16-07-1859, d. 12-09-1947, "Oaks" Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. Duncan died 27-02-1923, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. **Sarah: See Banning Tree**

Children:

25. i William John McKinnon b. 05-04-1878.
ii Elizabeth Janet McKinnon b. 15-01-1880, Palmers Oakey, m. 24-09-1913, in Palmers Oakey, by Rev.H H Morrington, **Ewen McColl Ferguson**, b. 18-04-1878, Palmers Oakey, d. 22-04-1943, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey.Elizabeth died 13-07-1948, "Oaks" P O, buried: P O. **Ewen: See Ferguson Tree**
iii Alice A McKinnon b. 15-03-1882, Palmers Oakey, d. 28-03-1890, Palmers Oakey.
iv Robert Donald McKinnon b. 30-05-1884, Palmers Oakey, . 28-09-1963, vanished.
v Donald Astmus McKinnon b. 16-05-1887, Palmers Oakey, d. 20-03-1890, P O, buried: P O
26. vi Ewen Peter McKinnon b. 05-01-1893.
27. vii Henrietta McKinnon b. 30-04-1895.
28. viii Duncan Leslie McKinnon b. 03-04-1898.
ix Stanley Clive McKinnon b. 13-02-1902, Palmers Oakey, m. 1936, in Bathurst, **Marjorie Jean Churches.** Stanley died 30-06-1985, Bathurst, buried: 03-07-1985, Bathurst.

13. **Janet McKinnon** b. 20-08-1846, Limekilns, bpt 22-12-1846, Limekilns by Rev Colin Stewart, m. 11-02-1874, in Sofala, **William Stapley**, b. 1841, occupation Shale Miner, d. 16-04-1899, Airley. Janet died -1900, Kandos, buried: Kandos.

Children:

i Jessey F Stapley b. 00-00-1875, Rylstone, d. 1875, Rylstone.
29. ii Janet Mary Stapley b. 28-05-1876.
30. iii Elizabeth Margaret Stapley b. 00-00-1879.
iv Archibald William Donald b. 00-00-1882, d. 1956.
31. v Thomas J Stapley b. 00-00-1889.

14. **Mary McKinnon** b. 24-02-1849, Limekilns, bpt 15-01-1850, St Stephens Bathurst, m. 03-01-1868, in Palmers Oakey **David Dewar Munro**, b. 09-01-1835, Fochabers, Morayshire Beihie Scotland, bpt 11-01-1835, Fochabers, d. 25-04-1915, Palmers Oakey, buried: 27-04-1915, Palmers Oakey. Mary died 28-02-1923, "Strathmore "Private Hospital Bathurst, buried: 02-03-1923, Palmers Oakey. David: Studied Pharmacy Edinburgh Uni. Left Dundee per "*Scottish Maid*" 16-04-1853. Clerk, Bank NSW in Vic.

Children.

32. i Mary Jane Munro b. 01-07-1866.
33. ii Finlay Dalrymple Munro b. 14-09-1868.
iii Janet Catherine Munro b. 03-06-1870, Palmers Oakey, d. 22-09-1945, Burwood, buried: 24 09 1945, Rookwood Crem Spinster
iv Anne Martha Munro b. 28-12-1871, Palmers Oakey, d. 28-10-1945, St Vincents Bathurst, buried: 30-10-1945, Bathurst. Spinster
34. v Peter Archibald Munro b. 28-09-1873.
35. vi Margareta Munro b. 2 1-12-1877.
36. vii Elizabeth Sarah Munro b. 24-04-1880.
37. viii Robert Charles Munro b. 10-11-1882.
38. ix Martha Helen Munro b. 14-01-1885.
x Charles William Munro b. 30-09-1887, Palmers Oakey, d. 31-07-1891, P O, b: 02-08-1891, P O.
39. xi Ethel Elgin Munro b. 30-10-1889.

15. **John Alexander McKinnon** b. 12-11-1850, m. 1873, in Bathurst, **Mary A Millett**, b.1857, Sofala. **Mary: See Millett Tree**

Children:

i Mary Laura McKinnon b. 00-00-1873, Sofala.
ii Janet Mabyn McKinnon b. 00-00-1875, Sofala.
iii Lillian Helen McKinnon b. 17-02-1877, Palmers Oakey, m. 1897, in Sunny Corner, **Edward Thomas Wolfenden,** b. 04-01-1873, Home Rule NSW, d. 07-09-1940, buried: Bowenfels. Lillian died 1941, buried: Bowenfels. **Edward: See Wolfenden Tree**
iv Peter William McKinnon b. 00-00-1879, Sofala, d. 1891.
v Archibald W McKinnon b. 00-00-1881, Sofala, m. 1908, in Redfern, **Ruby S Radnor**.
vi Edward D McKinnon b. 00-00-1883, East Macquarie, m. 1910, in Wallsend, **Elizabeth Robinson.**
vii Mary A McKinnon b 00-00-1886, East Macquarie, m. 1911, in Rylstone, **Charles J V Mitchell.**
viii Alice A McKinnon b. 00-00-1888, East Macquarie, m. 1909, in Lithgow, **James Perritt.**
ix Ruby L McKinnon b. 00-00-1891, Sofala.
x Ada M McKinnon b. 00-00-1893, Sofala, m 1919, in Auburn, **James Inkpen.**
xi Ivy E McKinnon b. 00-00-1896, Sofala, m. 1920, in Sydney, **Montgomery J Sheppard.**

16. **Peter McKinnon** b. 1855, m. (1) 01-03-1877, in Palmers Oakey, **Maria Hannah Casey,** b. 09-09-1854, Sydney, bpt 15-10-1854, St Phillips Sydney, d. 00-08-1886, Sofala, m. (2) 1890, in Sydney, **Willina Ferguson,** b. 22-04-1867, Palmers Oakey, d. 1925, Flemington NSW. Peter died 17-08-1934, 34 Marlborough Rd Flemington NSW, buried: 18-08-1934, Rookwood. Maria: Father Richard Casey, mother Maria Owen **Willina: See Ferguson**

Children by Maria Hannah Casey:

40. i William Cameron McKinnon b. 14-01-1877.
ii Marsella H McKinnon b. 02-10-1878 Sofala, d. 1899, Bathurst.
iii Ewen Peter McKinnon b. 05-03-1880, d. 1880, Sofala.
iv Archibald Angus McKinnon b. 14-03-1881.
v Hilda McKinnon b. 04-03-1883.
vi Alice M McKinnon b. 02-12-1884.
vii John Ernest Charles McKinnon b. 19-08-1886, m. 192 1, in Redfern, **Rebecca A Stanton**.

Children by Willina Ferguson:

viii Jock Ferguson b. 19-08-18??.
ix Virginia McKinnon b. 00-00-1891, d. 1891, Burwood.
41. x Allan Peter McKinnon b. 02-05-1892.

xi	Jennie V McKinnon	b. 00-00-1895,	m.1935, **William McDonell.**
xii	Dorothy I McKinnon	b. 00-00-1895.	
xiii	Beryl McKinnon	b. 00-00-1897,	d. 1899, Burwood.
xiv	Mable McKinnon	b. 00-00-1901,	m. 1924, **John C Thew.**

17. **Annie McKinnon** b. 1845, Green Swamp near Bathurst, m. 1865, in Orange, **James McClymont.**

Children:

i	Catherine Mary McClymont	b. 06-01-1867, Wellington,	
ii	Alexander George McClymont	b. 00-00-1870, Wellington.	
iii	Donald S McClymont	b. 00-00-1873, Wellington,	d. 1873, Wellington.
iv	Andrew Harold McClymont	b. 00-00-1874, Wellington.	
v	Jessie J McClymont	b. 00-00-1877, Orange.	
vi	James McClymont	b. 00-00-1880, Orange.	
vii	Nina McClymont	b. 00-00-1882, Orange,	d. 1883.
viii	Charles G McClymont	b. 00-00-1885, Orange.	
ix	Reginald K McClymont	b. 00-00-1887, Orange.	

18. **Ewen D Campbell** b. 1864, Sofala, m. 1887, in Macquarie, **Mary MacLennan**.

Children:

i	Alexander G Campbell	b. 00-00-1888, West Macquarie, m.-1914, in Young, **Louisa C Northwood.**
ii	Olive G Campbell	b. 00-00-1889, Bathurst.
iii	Eileen K Campbell	b. 00-00-1891, Bathurst.

19. **Marcella M McKinnon** b. 02-06-1859, Limekilns, m. 1890, in Bathurst, **William Bonfield.** She d. 09-05-1917, Limekilns.

Children:

i	George R Bonfield	b. 00-00-1891.

20. **Duncan Ferguson McKinnon** b. 12-04-1861, Limekilns, m. 1891, in Wattle Flat, **Alice Ray.**
Duncan died 28-08-1895, Limekilns, buried: Bathurst.

Children:

i	Stewart Hamilton McKinnon	b. 00-00-1892, Bathurst,	d. 1899, Bathurst, buried: Bathurst.
ii	John D McKinnon	b. 00-00-1894, Wattle Flat.	

21. **Catherine Ferguson McKinnon** b. 09-08-1870, Limekilns, m. 25-09-1899, in Bathurst, **Ernest Clarence Ingram,** b.11-12-1876, Vegetable Creek, (son of John Armstrong Ingram and Martha Reid) occupation Coal Miner / Taxi Driver, d. 02-02-1933, Collie West Australia, buried: 03-02-1933, Collie WA. Catherine died 14-12-1943, Bathurst, buried: Bathurst. He was injured in a mine blast c 1898. Went to WW1

Children:

42.	i	Marcella Letitia Ingram	b. 12-10-1900.

22. **Catherine Emily McKay** b. 19-10-1860, Bathurst, m. 24-07-1882, in Bathurst, **Donald McMillan**, b. 01-09-1856, Bathurst, (son of Angus McMillan and Mary Cameron) d. 13-10-1938, Bathurst. Catherine died 15-08-1940, Bathurst Hospital. from burns.

Children:

	i	Jessica Isabella McMillan	b. 07-07-1883, Bathurst,	d. 09-09-1942, Bathurst.
	ii	Donald Alexander McMillan	b. 01-02-1885, Bathurst,	d. 23-07-1975, Bathurst.
	iii	Mary Helena McMillan	b. 26-03-1887, Bathurst,	d. 01-12-1969.
	iv	Ewan Thomas McMillan	b. 27-01-1891, Bathurst,	d. 18-03-1983, Bathurst.
43.	v	Marcella Margaret McMillan	b. 09-08-1894.	
	vi	Angus Gamett McMillan	b. 25-02-1897, Bathurst,	d. 08-09-1958.
	vii	Catherine Emily McMillan	b. 26-09-1999, Bathurst	d. 02-12-1975, Bathurst.
	viii	Sarah Cameron McMillan	b. 01-04-1900,	d. 18-05-1993.
	ix	James Hector Home Stewart McMillan	b. 21-05-1902,	
	x	??? McMillan	b. 11-11-1904,	d. 11-11-1904.
	xi	Martha Anne Constance McMillan	b. 13-05-1906, Bathurst,	d. 15-09-1986.

23. **Frederick Joseph McKinnon** b. 1862, Bathurst, m. 28-05-1888, in Sunny Corner, **Sarah Jane Montgomery**, b. 24-04-1872, West Mitchell. Frederick died 1918, Portland.

Children:

i	Eliza G C McKinnon	b. 00-00-1888, East Macquarie, m.-1915, in Portland, **Horace A MacKenzie.**
ii	Mary A J McKinnon	b. 00-00-1891, Sunny Corner, m. 1911, in Rylstone, **Charles J W Mitchell**.
iii	Frederick G J McKinnon	b. 00-00-1893, Sunny Corner, m. 1929, in Lithgow, **Ivy C Robertson.**
iv	Alexander WE McKinnon	b. 00-00-1895, Sunny Corner.
v	John D McKinnon	b. 00-00-1897, Sunny Corner, d. 1899, Sunny Corner.
vi	Irene S J McKinnon	b. 00-00-1900, Sunny Corner, d. 1901, Sunny Corner.
vii	Kathleen MM McKinnon	b. 00-00-1903, Rylstone, m.-1917, in Portland, **Albert E H A Nicholls.**
viii	Duncan E C McKinnon	b. 00-00-1905, Rylstone, m. 1928, in Newtown, **Queenie L Griffiths.**
ix	Dulcie E V McKinnon	b. 00-00-1908, Rylstone, m. 1928, in Petersham, **Thomas M Carmody.**
x	Doris E E McKinnon	b. 00-00-1909, Rylstone.

24. **Duncan Ewen McKinnon** b. 1866, m. 02-10-1895, in Capertee, **Lucy Hannah Stacey,** b.-1875. Duncan died 1937.
Lucy: Father George Stacey, Mother Hannah Sherrey

Children:

44.	i	Hilda Grace McKinnon	b. 00-00-1896.	
45.	ii	Doris Gwenevere Hannah Mary McKinnon	b. 00-00-1897.	
	iii	Gladys Stacy McKiimon	b. 00-00-1900,	m. 1923, **James A Foley.**
46.	iv	Duncan John Elmo McKinnon	b. 00-00-1907.	
47.	v	Joyce Adelene McKinnon	b. 00-00-1913.	
	vi	Herbert George Eric McKinnon	b. 00-00-1916,	d. 2000.

Fifth Generation

25. **William John McKinnon** b. 05-04-1878, Palmers Oakey, d 1945, Sydney, m. 1909, in Waterloo, **Nellie Arkman**, b. 1887, Nt.Sydney. Nellie: Daughter of a Finnish hotelkeeper

Children:

i Oscar Francis McKinnon b. 06-07-1915, Sydney, m. 1939, in Nt Sydney, **Enid Grace Valentine Wrigley.**

26. **Ewen Peter McKinnon** b. 05-01-1893, P. O, m. 25-11-1925, in Portland, **Jessie Lawler**, b. 07-02-1898.Ewen died 09-07-1941.

Children:

48.	i	Leslie Philip McKinnon	b. 12-07-1927.
49.	ii	Ivy May McKiimon	b. 19-06-1929.
50.	iii	Enid Mary McKinnon	b. 09-06-1936.

27. **Henrietta McKinnon** b. 30-04-1895, Palmers Oakey, m. 20-11-1919, in Portland, by Rev Bromhead, **Christopher W Thompson**. Henrietta died 26-05-1921.

Children:

i Infant b. 00-04-1921, d. 26-05-1921.

28. **Duncan Leslie McKinnon** b. 03-04-1898, Palmers Oakey, m. 28-12-1928, in Bathurst, **Marcella Letitia Ingram** b. 12-10-1900,Limekilns, (daughter of Ernest Clarence Ingram and Catherine Ferguson McKinnon) d. 04-04-1989, Newcastle, buried: 07-04-1989, Bathurst. Duncan died 01-08-1983, Hornsby, buried: 04-08-1983, Bathurst.

Children:

i	Kevin John McKinnon	b. 17-03-1933.	d, 11-05-2011 Sydney, Crem Sydney
ii	Gweneth Merle McKinnon	b. 21-10-1937,	m. **Eric Clark.**

29. **Janet Mary Stapley** b. 28-05-1876, Ilford, m. 04-08-1896, in StPeters Woolloomooloo, **Joseph Henry Stapley**, b. 13-07-1873, Tambarooar, d. 06-09-1917, Bowral, buried: Bowral. Janet died 11-01-1916, Bowral, buried: Bowral. Joseph: Father Thomas mother Lucy Ann Clarke

Children:

i	Arthur Joseph Stapley	b. 11-05-1897, Airley,	m.1927, in Dapto, **Mary Tirnbs.**
ii	Ivy Lillian Stapley	b. 29-01-1901, Airley,	d. 17-06-1901, Rylstone.
51. iii	Amy Ethel Stapley	b. 17-04-1902.	
iv	James Thomas William Stapley	b. 14-02-1905, Airley, m.	1930, in Sydney, **Charlotte O'Brien.**
v	Irene Margaret Stapley	b. 24-02-1908, Wallerawang, m. 1926, in Rylstone, **Percy H Jones.**	
vi	Roy Archibald Stapley	b. 30-06-1911, Airley,	d. 24-07-1919, Rylstone.
vii	Janet Lucy Stapley	b. 09-09-1913, Helenburgh, m. 1936, in Parramatta, **Cecil Albert Buckley.**	

30. **Elizabeth Margaret Stapley** b. 1879, Rylstone, m. 1902, in Rylstone, **Francis E Brown.**

Children:

i	Francis A Brown	b. 00-00-1902, Rylstone.	
ii	William P Brown	b. 00-00-1904, Rylstone,	m. 1929, in Rylstone, **Isabella L Smith.**
iii	John A Brown	b. 00-00-1906, Rylstone.	
iv	Thomas E Brown	b. 00-00-1909, Rylstone,	m. 1928, in Rylstone, **Catherine H Guthrie.**
v	Janet I Brown	b. 00-00-1912, Rylstone.	
vi	Phyllis M Brown	b. 00-00-1913, Rylstone.	
vii	Reginald L Brown	b. 00-00-1917, Rylstone.	

31. **Thomas J Stapley** b. 1889, Rylstone, m. -1913, in Lithgow, **Jessie Bryant**. Thomas died 1967.

Children:

52.	i	Douglas Allan Stapley	b. 00-00-1914.
53.	ii	Albert William Thomas Stapley	b. 00-00-1916.
54.	iii	Edna Mae Stapley	b. 00-00-1920.
55.	iv	Charles Richard Stapley	b. 00-00-1922.
56.	v	Donald Stapley	b. 00-00-1925.
57.	vi	Walter Kenneth Stapley	b. 00-00-1928.
58.	vii	June Loveday Stapley	b. 00-00-1932.

32. **Mary Jane Munro** b. 01-07-1866, Palmers Oakey, m. 10-06-1896, in 112 Denison St Camperdown, **Francis John Stanford** b. 26-08-1862, Peel, d. 04-04-1918, RPA Camperdown, buried: 05-04-1918, Rookwood C of E. Mary died 23-10-1945, Arncliffe, buried: 24-10-1945, Rookwood C of E. Francis: Son of John Stanford & Martha Read

Children:

i	Irenie Stanford	b. 03-04-1897, Stuart Town,	d. 07-08-1977.
59. ii	Ivor Wingfield Stanford	b. 26-04-1899.	
60. iii	Erroll Garnet Stanford	b. 12-09-1901.	
iv	Enid May Stanford	b. 22-10-1906, Stuart Town, m. **Robert Tait,** b. 1900, England, d. 18-03-1974. Enid died 04-07-1976.	

33. **Finlay Dalrymple Munro** b. 14-09-1868, Palmers Oakey,bt 20-11-1868, Palmers Oakey by Rev Colin Stewart, m. 08-07-1902, in St Davids Surry Hills, **Ada Mary Tompson,** b. 25-10-1874, O'Connell, d. 20-07-1950, buried: 21-07-1950, Nt Suburbs Finlay died 22-07-1942, Pennant Hills, buried: 23-07-1942, Nt Suburbs. Ada: Father Theodore, Mother Elizabeth Webb

Children:

	i	Elsie Doris Munro	b. 23-09-1903, Deniliquin, d. 02-09-1988, buried: Nt Suburbs Crem.
	ii	Adell Elgin Munro	b. 03-04-1905, Wanganella, Deniliquin, d. 15-06-2003, Cherrybrook, buried: 18-06-2003, Nt Suburbs Crem.
61.	iii	Daphne Jean Munro	b. 30-07-1907.
62.	iv	Finlay Theodore Munro	b. 31-07-1912.

34. **Peter Archibald Munro** b. 28-09-1873, Palmers Oakey, m. 27-01-1912, in Blayney, **Ethel May Shumack,** b. 01-08-1890, Dark Corner, d. 20-10-1971, Bathurst. Peter died 05-11-1931, RPA Camperdown, buried: 07-11-1931, Palmers Oakey.

Children:

63.	i	Elgin May Munro	b. 19-03-1913.
64.	ii	Mabel(May)Munro	b. 11-06-1914.
	iii	Lila Jean Munro	b. 12-06-1916, Palmers Oakey, d. 22-02-1993, Bathurst. Spinster
65.	iv	Clive David Munro	b. 23-05-1918.
	v	Leonard Peter Munro	b. 03-08-1923, Palmers Oakey, occupation Farmer, m. **Phyllis Brown.** Leonard died 27-05-2010, Bathurst.
66.	vi	John (Jack) Munro	b. 15-05-1926.
67.	vii	David Munro	b. 15-05-1926.

35. **Margareta Munro** b. 21-12-1877, Palmers Oakey, m. 28-12-1905, in Palmers Oakey, **George Parr,** b. 05-07-1878, Coolamigal, d. 02-08-1972, Forbes, buried: 04-08-1972, Eugowra. Margareta died 31-07-1952, Eugowra, buried: Eugowra. **George: See Parr Tree**

Children:

	i	Gladys Irene Parr	b. 1907, Rydal, m. 26-11-1928, in Molong, **Stanley Hardman Seed**, b. 1891, Manchester England, d. 29-07-1966, Molong, buried: Molong. Gladys died 26-10-1991, Molong, buried: 30-10-1991, Molong.
	ii	Horace Parr	b. 1908, Sunny Corner, d. 06-10-1935, Rabbit Island, buried: 08-10-1935 , Brooklyn. Died after 27 years in mental hospital
68.	iii	Elizabeth Adeline Parr	b. 1911.
	iv	Stella Munro Parr	b. 1915, Sunny Corner, d. 17-11-1920, Murga, buried: 18-11-1920, Reedy Creek.
	v	Patricia Rita Parr	b. 1921, d. 22-06-1947, buried: Orange.

36. **Elizabeth Sarah Munro** b. 24-04-1880, Palmers Oakey, m. 09-04-19 14, in St Stephens Bathurst, **Clement Reymour Mead**, b. 25-10-1880, Yass, d. 23-05-1944, 11 Boronia St Granville, buried: 24-05-1944, Rookwood. Elizabeth died 12-07-1930, 11 Boronia St Granville, buried: 14-07-1930, Rookwood. Clement: Son of James Mead & Alice Hodgson

Children:

	i	David Dewar Mead	b. 26-11-1915, Harden, d. 22-03-1958, Avoca Beach.
	ii	James Clement Mead	b. 21-12-1916, Burwood, m. 1941, in Granville, **Lorraine May Slender ,** b.-1918. James died 18-02-1942, Concord West Hospital, buried: 20-02-1942, Rookwood Crem.
	iii	Neville Gordon Mead	b. 22-12-1921, d. 06-05-1974.

37. **Robert Charles Munro** b. 10-11-1882, Palmers Oakey, m. (1) 20-04-1910, in Blayney, **Ethel Trubody**, b. 24-08-1882, Wallsend, d. 13-08-1914, Enfield, buried: 14-08-1914, Rookwood, m. (2) 09-02-1918, in Phillip St Sydney, **Ethel Emily Huntley Bendall**, b. 1881, Rockville Conn. USA, d. 12-04-1944, Croydon, buried: 13-04-1944, Rookwood m. (3) 28-01-1947, **Emily Nancarrow,** b. 1907, Chatswood, (daughter of Richard Merryfield Nancarrow and Emily Bromley) d. 1998. Robert died 06-02-1952, Enfield. Ethel: Daughter of Charles Trubody & Anne Owen. Ethel: Daughter of William Bendall & Amelia Fluke

Children by Ethel Trubody:

69.	i	Charles Errol Dewar Munro	b. 02-12-1910.
	ii	Gwendoline Jean Munro	b. 17-08-19 13, Sydney, m. 1937, **Raymond Oswald Drew**, buried: Nt Suburbs Crem. Gwendoline died 13-05-2002, Chatswood, buried: 16-05-2002, Nt Suburbs Crem.

38. **Martha Helen Munro** b. 14-01-1885, Palmers Oakey, m. 24-04-1912, in St Stephens Bathurst, **Aiden Thomas Shumack,** b. 03-08-1888, Bathurst, d. 01-02-1944, Bathurst, buried: 02-02-1944, Bathurst. Martha died 10-04-1953, St Vincents Bathurst, buried: 11-04-1953, Bathurst.**Aiden: See Shumack Book.**

Children:

70.	i	Mary Thelma Shumack	b. 04-10-1913.
71.	ii	Catherine Marjorie Shumack	b. 11-09-1917.
	iii	Lorna Evelyn Shumack	b. 00-00-1921, Bathurst, d.-1921, Kelso, buried: 08-04-1921, Dark Corner.
72.	iv	Carl Edwin Shumack	b. 03-05-1927.

39. **Ethel Elgin Munro** b. 30-10-1889, Palmers Oakey, m. 15-05-1918, in Bathurst, **Reginald Nancarrow,** b. 10-07-1891, (son of Richard Merryfield Nancarrow and Emily Bromley). Ethel died 10-01-1947, Kelso, buried: 11-01-1947, Bathurst.

Children:

	i	Trevor Nancarrow	b. 00-00-1919, d. 1973
.	ii	Leonard Nancarrow	b. 22-03-1920.
74.	iii	Mary Elgin Nancarrow	b. 19-10-1922.
75.	iv	Raymond Nancarrow	b. 03-10-1923.
	v	Reginald Nancarrow.	
76.	vi	Victor Nancarrow.	
77.	vii	Mervyn Nancarrow	b. 12-03-1929.
78.	viii	Jean Nancarrow	b. 02-08-1930.
79.	ix	Elizabeth Merle Nancarrow	b. 14-07-1933.

40. **William Cameron McKinnon** b. 14-01-1877, Palmers Oakey, m. 24-10-1900, in Windsor NSW, **Rose Elizabeth Hendy**, b. 25-01-1883, Tamworth, d. 04-11-1954, Whangarei NZ. William died 27-10-1916, Manly. William was murdered by Herbert Susans in Sydney Rd Manly

Children:

80. i Frederick Archibald McKinnon b. 06-03-1901.
81. ii Myra Rose McKinnon b. 20-03-1902.

41. **Allan Peter McKinnon** b. 02-05-1892, m. 1937, in Five Dock, **Elsie Louisa Jensen (nee Rothwell**), b. 1912, Newcastle, (daughter of Svend Oscar Jensen and Sarah A Robotham) d. 05-06-1974, Sydney. Allan died 27-08-1947, Flemington.

Children:

i Valerie McKinnon b. 19-12-1938, Sydney, m. 01-03-1963, in Sydney Reg Office, **Harold Taberner.**

42. **Marcella Letitia Ingram (See marriage to number 28.)**

43. **Marcella Margaret McMillan** b. 09-08-1894, Bathurst, m. **David Pateman**.

Children:

i Violet McMillan b. 17-11-1918, d. 00-08-2001.
82. ii Jack McMillan b. 15-01-1921.

44. **Hilda Grace McKinnon** b. 1896, m. 1914, **James C Marsden.** Hilda died 1961.

Children:

i Duncan Marsden.
ii Douglas Marsden.
iii Peggy Marsden.
iv John Marsden.
v Margaret Marsden.

45. **Doris Gwenevere Hannah Mary McKinnon** b. 1897, m. 1918, **William Cleve Innes Newman**. Doris died 1981.

Children:

i Jean Fanny Newman b. 00-00-1919, m. 1942, **Osmond McNeil Fox**.

46. **Duncan John Elmo McKinnon** b. 1907, m. 1926, **Ruby Helena Lloyd**.

Children:

i Shirley McKinnon m**. Colin Marriott.**

47. **Joyce Adelene McKinnon** b. 1913, m. 1943, **George Walter Scott**. Joyce died 1994.

Children:

83. i Gail Joy Scott b. 00-00-1944.
84. ii Lynne Heather Scott b. 00-00-1946

Sixth Generation

48. **Leslie Plillip McKinnon** b. 12-07-1927, m. **Gladys Bryant,** b. 11-02-1930. Leslie died 18-12-1993, buried: Bathurst.

Children:

86. i Kathleen Anne McKinnon b. 23-03-1951.
87. ii Susan Lynette McKinnon b. 06-12-1952.
88. iii Robert John McKinnon b. 08-04-1954.
89. iv Judith McKinnon b. 28-05-1958.
90. v Debbie McKinnon b. 00-05-1965.

49. **Ivy May McKinnon** b. 19-06-1929, m. **Leslie Hayward**, b. 09-05-1930.

Children:

i Lynette Hayward b. 26-09-1955.
19. ii Brett Hayward b. 22-11-1957.
iii Gregory Hayward b. 19-01-1961.

50. **Enid Mary McKinnon** b. 09-06-1936 m**. Peter Walker**, b. 02-02-1938.

Children:

91. i Jeffrey Walker b.26-0l-l968.
92. ii Joanne Lee Walker b. 23-04-1970.

51. **Amy Ethel Stapley** b. 17-04-1902, Airlie, m. 01-07-1922, in Penrith, **Edward T Paskin.**

Children:

93. i Esmee VioletPaskin b. 24-08-1923.
94. ii Thelma June Paskin.

52. **Douglas Allan Stapley** b. 1914, Portland, m. (1) 1940, in Parramatta, **Thora Isabel Pond**, b. 1919, d. 1965, m. (2) **Mildred May Rhodes**.

Children by Thora Isabel Pond:

i Ronald Keith Stapley b. 12-12-1943.
ii Lorriane Joy Stapley b. 00-00-1947.

53. **Albert William Thomas Stapley** b. 1916, Portland, m. 1939, in Parramatta, **Elizabeth Baker.**

Children:

i Janette Stapley.
ii Beverley Stapley.
iii Raymond Jack Stapley b. 00-00-1944.

54. **Edna Mae Stapley** b. 1920, m. **Grant Fryer,** b. 1920, d. 1987. Edna died 1987.

Children:

i Barbara Helen Fryer b. 00-00-1945.
ii Pamela Kay Fryer b. 00-00-1948.

iii Leslie Grant Fryer b. 00-00-1952.

55. **Charles Richard Stapley** b. 1922, m. **Dulcie Kurtz**, b. 1921, d. 1991.

Children:

95. i Lyn Christine Stapley.

56. **Donald Stapley** b. 1925 m. **Patricia Burley.**

Children:

i Mark Stapley.
ii Craig Stapley.

57. **Walter Kenneth Stapley** b. 1928, m. **Marie Elizabeth (Billie) Jones,** b. 1929.

Children:

i Graeme Kenneth Stapley b. 00-00-1959.
96 . ii Ian Wayne Stapley b. 00-00-1962.
iii Robyn Maree Stapley b. 00-00-1965, m. **John Lazzarini**.

58. **June Loveday Stapley** b. 1932, m. **David George Hodder**, b. 1931.

Children:

i Stephen Charles Hodder b. 00-00-1956.
ii Deborah Ann Hodder.
iii Bradley John Hodder b. 00-00-1965.
iv Kim Louise Hodder b. 00-00-1965.

59. **Ivor Wingfield Stanford** b. 26-04-1899, Stuart Town, m. 19-12-1927, **Irene Adelaide Warburton**, b. 09-03-1895, Carrathool, d. 03-12-1962, Bexley. Ivor died 29-05-1952, Bexley.

Children:

i James Warburton Stanford b. 01-01-1929, Rockdale, d. 27-09-1994, Newcastle.

60. **Erroll Garnet Stanford** b. 12-09-1901, Stuart Town, m. 08-12-1934, in Chatswood, **Florence Mary Cameron,** b.03-10-1907, Footscray Vic. Erroll died 29-07-1966, buried: Nt Suburbs Crem.

Children:

I Judith Anne Stanford b. 19-07-1935.
ii Frances Noreen Stanford b. 12-06-1940.

61. **Daphne Jean Munro** b. 30-07-1907, Deniliquin, m. 26-10-1935, in Hornsby, **John Lancer Smith**. Daphne died 1995. John: Father Herbert, Mother Ellen Davis

Children:

97. i Michael John Smith b. 13-02-1938.
98. ii Jennifer Jeanie Smith b. 12-12-1939.
99. iii Roslyn Adell Smith b. 02-06-1943.
100. iv Geoffery McDonald Smith b. 07-07-1945.

62. **Finlay Theodore Munro** b. 31-07-1912, Deniliquin, m. 02-01-1943, in Hornsby, **Ellen Mary Howe,** d. 00-11-2000, Annandale. Finlay died 1985, Albury.

Children:

i Lesley Elwyn Munro b. 04-02-1945.
101. ii Richard Finlay Munro b. 18-11-1947.
102. iii Ian Lindsay Munro b. 28-11-1951.
103.. iv Margaret Lynne Munro b. 12-11-1953.

63. **Elgin May Munro** b. 19-03-1913, m. 1934, in Bathurst, **James H Nancarrow,** b.-1908, Bathurst, (son ofRichard Merryfield Nancarrow and Emily Bromley) occupation Beekeeper, d. 1990. Elgin died 09-11-1981.

Children:

104. i Fay Nancarrow b. 00-00-1935.
105. ii Owen Nancarrow b. 00-00-1937.

64. **Mabel (May) Munro** b. 11-06-1914, Palmers Oakey, m. 1937, in Bathurst, **Arthur Frederick Austin.** Mabel died 10-09-2004, Bathurst,

Children:

106. i Peter David Austin b. 25-12-1939.
107. ii Kevin Austin b. 00-00-1943.

65. **Clive David Munro** b. 23-05-1918, Palmers Oakey, occupation Farmer, m. 30-08-1947, in Bathurst, **June Elaine Hopper**, b. 27-06-1927, (daughter of Frank S Hopper and Dorothy E Hohnen). Clive died 18-08-2007, buried: 22-08-2007, Bathurst.

Children:

108. i Francis June Munro b. 29-11-1948.
109. ii Geoffrey Clive Munro b. 13-11-1951.

66. **John (Jack) Munro** b. 15-05-1926, Portland, occupation Builder/Farmer, m. 1949, in Bathurst, **Winifred Joyce Hawkins,** b. 1929. John died 09-04-2009, Bathurst, buried: 14-04-2009, Bathurst.

Children:

110. i Ian Munro b. 00-00-1951.

111. ii Robyn Gai Munro b. 00-00-1953.
iii Ross Munro b. 05-05-1955, Bathurst.

67. **David Munro** b. 15-05-1926, Portland, m. 1953, in Bathurst, **Jeanette Duncan,** b. 1932. David died 2001, Bathurst.
Children:
112. i Brian David Munro b.00-00-1955.
113. ii Garry Douglas Munro b.00-00-1958.

68. **Elizabeth Adeline Parr** b. 1911, Sunny Corner, m. **Al Sanderson**.
Children:
i Peter Sanderson

69. **Charles Errol Dewar Munro** b. 02-12-1910, Blayney, m. 11-07-1936, **Florence Ella Roberts,** b. 14-01-1908, d. 08-12-1978, buried: Singleton. Charles died 16-11-1992, buried: Crem. Singleton.
Children:
i Vanessa Roberts Munro b. 03-11-1938.
ii Enid Merrilyn Diana Munro b. 23-03-1942.

70. **Mary Thelma Shumack** b. 04-10-1913, Bathurst, m. 25-11-1944, in Orange, **Michael Martin Eric Maloney**, b. 03-05-1917, Armatree, d. 04-03-1971, Camperdown Hospital, buried: 06-03-1971, Bathurst.
Children:
114. i William Terence Maloney b. 16-09-1945.
115. ii Gary Richard Maloney b. 04-12-1946.
116. iii Nolene Marilyn Maloney b. 12-05-1949.

71. **Catherine Marjorie Shumack** b. 11-09-1917, Bathurst, m. 00-03-1946, in St Stephens Bathurst, **George Haldane Blues**, d. 20-05-1979, Concord Repat. Hospital.
Children:
i Helen Margaret Blues b. 18-01-1947 , m. **Ken Oliver.**
117. ii Marjorie Anne Blues b. 26-03-1949.
iii David George Blues b. 24-02-1953, m. **Catherine Margot Hunt**.

72. **Carl Edwin Shumack** b. 03-05-1927, Bathurst, m. 04-01-1958, in Kelso**, Jean Emily Barnes**, b. 03-07-1929.
Children:
i Geoffrey Shumack b. 30-03-1964, Bathurst.
ii Donna Shumack b. 26-01-1967.

73. **Leonard Nancarrow** b. 22-03-1920, m. 1945, in Bathurst, **Ada Agnes Stark,** b. 1909, Petersham, (daughter of Oswald Stark and Florence Ethel West). Leonard died 26-06-1998, Bathurst.
Children.
i Darrell Nancarrow b. 12-09-1947.

74. **Mary ElginNancarrow** b. 19-10-1922, m. 1939, in Bathurst, **Oswald George Stark,** b. 22-06-1913, Rockdale, (son of Oswald Stark and Florence Ethel West). Mary died 31-08-2003, Bathurst, buried: 04-09-2003, Limekilns.
Children:
i Janet Ethel Stark b. 00-06-1940, m. ? **Moore.**
ii Delma Judith Stark.
iii Elizabeth Mary Stark.
iv Grahem Reginald Stark b. 18-01-1950.
118. v Richard John Stark b. 00-05-1955.
vi Paul Oswald Stark b. 01-09-1957.

75. **Raymond Nancarrow** b. 03-10-1923, m**. Beryl Kearston**.
Children:
i Yvoone Nancarrow.
ii Morris Nancarrow.

76. **Victor Nancarrow** m**. Leonie Musgrave**.
Children:
i David Nancarrow.
ii Alison Nancarrow.

77. **Mervyn Nancarrow** b. 12-03-1929, m. **Heather Browne.**
Children:
i Phillip Nancarrow.
ii Julie Ann Nancarrow.
iii Christina Nancarrow.
iv James Nancarrow.

78. **Jean Nancarrow** b. 02-08-1930, m. **Victor Farrell.**
Children:
i Maureen Farrell.
ii Beverley Farrell.
iii Lynn Farrell.

79. **Elizabeth Merle Nancarrow** b. 14-07-1933, m. **Harold Kneale**. Elizabeth died 01-10-2004, Bathurst, buried: Orange Crem.
Children:
i Robert Kneale b. 07-04-1956.
ii David Kneale b. 13-06-1957.

iii Catherine Kneale b. 11-11-1963.

80. **Frederick Archibald McKinnon** b. 06-03-1901, Riverstone, m. 09-08-1932, in Invercargill NZ, **Kathleen Jane Newton,** b. 1909, Nightcaps NZ. Frederick died 15-12-1958, Invercargill NZ.

Children:

119. i Noel William Mc Kinnon b. 22-10-1939.

81. **Myra Rose McKinnon** b. 20-03-1902, Riverstone, 10-10-1902 , m. (1) 07-04-1923, in Palmerston North NZ, **Charles Henry Brown Jnr,** b. 12-01-1902, Damievirke NZ, d. 05-12-1941, At sea off Tobruk Nt Africa WW2, m. (2) 00-00-1946, in Dannevirke NZ, **Ralph Hunt,** b. 15-07-1897, d. 02-09-1969, Bay of Islands NZ. Myra died 03-09-1986, Hawkes Bay NZ.

Children by Charles Henry Brown Jnr:

i Keith William Brown b. 24-07-1923, Dannevirke NZ, d. 07-06-1929, Dannevirke NZ.

ii Allison Gail Brown b. 24-09-1928, Dannevirke NZ, m. 24-02-1947, **Timothy John O'Brien,** b 23-05-1921, Pongaroa NZ.

120. iii Maurice Cameron Brown b. 01-03-1933.

82. **Jack McMillan** b. 15-01-1921, Bathurst, m. 07-10-1944, in Castle Hill, **Marie Adelaide Brown**. Jack died09-02-1991,Bathurst

Children:

121. i Marion Rae McMillan b. 14-08-1947.

ii John Stuart McMillan b. 02-03-1953, Epping.

83. **Gail Joy Scott** b. 1944, m. 1964, **Brian Curzon**.

Children:

i Catherine Curzon b. 00-00-1964, d. 1964.

122. ii Ruth Joy Curzon b.00-00-1967.

iii Jennifer Lee Curzon b. 00-00-1969, m.1999, **Nicholas Sanderman Green**.

84. **Lynne Heather Scott** b. 1945 , m. 1967, **John Parkinson**.

Children:

i Leone Gae Parkinson b. 00-00-1970.

ii Christopher John Parkinson b. 00-00-1972.

85. **Roslyn Jean Scott** b. 1948, m. 1971**, Keith Richardson**.

Children:

i Penelope Claire Richardson b. 00-00-1974.

Seventh Generation

86. **Kathleen Anne McKinnon** b. 23-03-1951, m. **Terry Gunning**.

Children:

i Scott Gunning b. 19-06-1971.

ii Mark Gunning b. 26-06-1973.

iii Neil Gunning b. 04-06-1975.

iv Grant Gunning b. 05-06-1975.

87. **Susan Lynette McKinnon** b. 06-12-1952, m. **Greg Cole.**

Children:

i Stephen Cole b. 30-03-1976.

ii Brooke Cole b. 14-04-1978.

88. **Robert John McKinnon** b. 08-04-1954, m. **Dianne Ashe**.

Children:

i Thomas McKinnon b. 09-09-1985.

ii Alexandria McKinnon b. 14-02-199 1.

89. **Judith McKinnon** b. 28-05-1958, m. (1) **Peter Bennett,** m. (2) **Peter Courtney**.

Children by Peter Bennett:

i Karley Bennett b. 15-06-1980.

Children by Peter Courtney:

ii Shannon Courtney b. 12-09-1986.

90. **Debbie McKinnon** b. 1965, m. **Quigley.**

Children:

i Mathew Quigley b. 30-10-1985.

ii Jessica Quigley b. 04-05-1991.

92. **Joanne Lee Walker** b. 23-04-1970, m. **James Keen**, b. 25-10-1966.

Children:

i Joshua Lee Keen b. 17-07-1996.

ii Anon James Keen b. 13-07-1998.

iii Maddison Elsie Keen b. 01-04-2001.

93. **Esmee Violet Paskin** b. 24-08-1923, Kingswood, m. 04-09-1948, in St Stephens Penrith, **Alva Donald McPhee.**

Children:

123. i Judith Margaret McPhee b. 21-11-1949.

124. ii Colin James McPhee b. 16-04-1953.

iii Rodney Garth McPhee b. 28-01-1959, Penrith, m. 06-08-1983, in Bathurst, **Susan Gay Leitch**.

94. **Thelma June Paskin** m. **Herbert Bragg.**
Children:
125. i John Anthony Bragg b. 20-02-1951.

95. **Lyn Christine Stapley** m. **Christopher James Condliffe**.
Children:
i Cally Louise Condliffe b. 00-00-1981.
ii Brent James Condliffe b. 00-00-1985.

96. **Ian Wayne Stapley** b. 1962, m. **Leanne Walsh**, b. 1965.
Children:
i Joel Wayne Stapley b. 00-00-1991.
ii Rhiannon Maree Stapley b. 00-00-1992.
iii Abbey Elizabeth Stapley b. 00-00-1996.

97. **Michael John Smith** b. 13-02-1938, m. 12-01-1963, **Mary Belle Elizabeth Hicks.**
Children:
i David John Smith b. 20-10-1966, m. **Cathy Ann Ballantyne.**
ii Matthew James Smith b. 17-10-1968, m. 18-11-1989, **Raelee Matthews**.
iii Angus Charles Smith b. 20-07-1970, d. 20-07-1970.
iv Helen Smith b. 01-12-1975.

98. **Jennifer Jeanie Smith** b. 12-12-1939, m. **Reinholdt Schmidt.**
Children:
i Alexander Elgin Schmidt b. 30-07-1971.
ii Jonathon Marc Schmidt b. 04-09-1973.
iii Gregory Rohan Schmidt b. 26-05-1978.

99. **Roslyn Adehl Smith** b. 02-06-1943, m. 11-12-1965, **James Saville**.
Children:
i Andrew James Saville b. 20-01-1970.
ii Peter Fergus Saville b. 01-06-1973.
iii Ian Dougal Saville b. 12-05-1981.
iv Allison Adehl Saville b. 04-12-1986.

100. **Geoffery McDonald Smith** b. 07-07-1945, m. 09-01-1971, **Kathleen Lynette Kempton**.
Children:
i Kelly Maree Smith b. 25-03-1976.
ii Mark McDonald Smith b. 20-02-1978.

101. **Richard Finlay Munro** b. 18-11-1947, m. 30-08-1969**, Clare Tamiock**.
Children:
i Scott Finlay Munro b. 29-03-1970.
ii Paul Richard Munro b. 01-08-1972.
iii Julia Clare Munro b. 29-12-1976.
iv Anna Garland Munro.

102. **Ian Lindsay Munro** b. 28-11-1951, m. **Linda Frazer.**
Children:
i Christopher Ian Munro b. 12-10-1973.
ii Fiona Brooke Munro b. 09-07-1977.
iii Heather Leaime Munro b. 20-12-1986.
iv Mark Lindsay Munro b. 13-07-1989.

103. **Margaret Lynne Munro** b. 12-11-1953, m. 15-01-1977, **Anthony Graham Lynch**.
Children:
i Andrew Stephen Lynch b. 07-02-1979.
ii David Nicholas Lynch b. 29-10-1981.
iii Catryn Narelle Lynch b. 11-02-1986.

104. **Fay Nancarrow** b. 1935, m. 1956, in Bathurst, **Peter Boyd,** b. 1929.
Children:
126. i Dance Boyd b. 00-00-1961.
ii Jason Boyd b. 00-00-1964, Adopted.

105. **Owen Nancarrow** b. 00-00-1937, m. **Patricia Philomene Lane**, b. 00-00-1943.
Children:
i Kelly Ann Nancarrow b. 00-00-1971.
ii Cindy Jane Nancarrow b. 00-00-1973.
iii Angela Fay Nancarrow b. 00-00-1976.

106. **Peter David Austin** b. 25-12-1939, Bathurst, m. 1962, in Bathurst, **Peggy May Aberley,** b. 1939, Bathurst. Peter d 25-02-1994.
Children:
i Scott Anthony Austin b. 00-00-1966.
ii Brett Andrew Austin b. 00-00-1969.

iii Nicole Monique Austin b. 00-00-1970.

107. **Kevin Austin** b. 1943, Bathurst, m. 1981, in Perth WA, **Carol Ann Lewis**, b. 1956.
Children:
i Kylie Ann Austin b. 00-00-1982, Auburn.
ii Kirsty Lee Austin b. 00-00-1985, Bathurst.

108. **Francis June Munro** b. 29-11-1948, m. 15-08-1970, in Bathurst, **Jeffrey William McSpedden,** b. 05-03-1950.
Children:
i Donna Frances McSpedden b. 09-01-1974, m. 26-04-1997, **Michael Robert Weston.**
ii Michelle Julie McSpedden b. 28-12-1975, m. 03-01-1998, **Geoffrey David Keogh.**
iii Kim Margaret McSpedden b. 24-09-1978.
iv Ross William McSpedden b. 10-07-1985.

109. **Geoffrey Clive Munro** b. 13-11-1951, m. 13-03-1976, in Bathurst, **Sylvia Louise McSpedden**, b. 28-03-1956.
Children:
i Kathryne Lee Munro b. 27-09-1976.
ii Bruce John Munro b. 29-12-1978, d. 29-12-1978.
iii Olivia Louise Munro b. 16-03-1981 m **Chris Schofield**

110. **Ian Munro** b. 1951, Bathurst, m. 1970, in Bathurst, **Deanne Hilliard**, b. 1950, Canada.
Children:
i Scott Munro b. 00-00-1974, Seymour Vic.
ii Stuart Munro b. 00-00-1975, Ballarat Vic
iii Paul Munro b. 00-00-1979, Melbourne.
iv Jessica Louise Munro b. 00-00-1981, Melbourne.
v Casey Munro b. 00-00-1985, Melbourne.

111. **Robyn Gai Munro** b. 1953, Bathurst, m. 1986, in Balmain, **Michael William Jones,** b. 1953.
Children:
i Allison Elizabeth Jones b. 00-00-1988, Sydney.
ii Kathryn Louise Jones b. 00-00-1990, Sydney.

112. **Brian David Munro** b. 1955, Bathurst, m. 1980, in Bathurst, **Katherine Frances Stocks**, b. 1956.
Children:
i Brock Christopher Munro b. 00-00-1983, Bathurst.

113. **Garry Douglas Munro** b. 1958, Bathurst, m. 1980, in Bathurst, **Alison Gail Shanks**, b. 1955.
Children:
i Cameron Scott Munro b. 00-00-1986, Bathurst.
ii Taryn Louise Munro b. 00-00-1988, Bathurst.

114. **William Terence Maloney** b. 16-09-1945, m. (1) **Lyndal Watson**, m. (2) 20-01-1990, **Brenda Townsend.**
Children by Lyndal Watson:
i Kathryn Maloney b. 08-03-1973.

115. **Gary Richard Maloney** b. 04-12-1946, Bathurst, m. **Una Quinn**, b. Ireland.
Children:
i Vaughn Rainer Maloney b. 05-09-1976.
ii Kyle Rowan Maloney b. 25-01-1979.

116. **Nolene Marilyn Maloney** b. 12-05-1949, m. 29-04-1978, **John Woolcott**
Children:
i Trenton Michael Woolcott b. 04-06-1979.
ii Sophia Louise Woolcott b. 18-09-1981.
iii Norrie Edwin Woolcott b. 28-04-1983.

117. **Marjorie Anne Blues** b. 26-03-1949, m. **George William Fletcher**.
Children:
i Rowena Kelly Fletcher b. 00-00-1977.
ii Belinda Louise Fletcher b. 00-00-1978.
iii Penelope Helen Fletcher b. 00-00-1980.

118. **Richard John Stark** b. 1955, m. **Gail Bennett**.
Children:
i Benjamin Stark.

119. **Noel William Mc Kinnon** b. 22-10-1939, Invercargill NZ, m. 11-05-1963, in Invercargill NZ, **Lorraine Robinson,** b. 26-02-1943, Invercargill NZ.
Children:
127. i Gary Brett McKinnon b. 07-12-1966.
ii Bruce Craig McKinnon b. 07-07-1965, Invercargill NZ.

120. **Maurice Cameron Brown** b. 01-03-1933, Dannevirke NZ, m. 30-07-1966, in Aukland NZ, **Joan Tindle**, 1939, Hamilton NZ.
Children:
i Karyn Leanne Brown b. 13-05-1967, Aukland, m. 26-04-1997, in Orewa NZ, **Evan Frank Hoskin,**

b.01-09-1962, Waitara NZ.

121. **Marion Rae McMillan** b. 14-08-1947, Beecroft, m. 06-02-1971, in Castle Hill, **Donald Keith Pearce.**
Children:

	i	Katrina Anne Pearce	b. 08-07-1974, Bathurst, m. 27-09-1997, in Bathurst, **Douglas Alexander James Watson.**
128.	ii	Richard Allan Pearce	b. 2 1-07-1976.

122. **Ruth Joy Curzon** b. 00-00-1967, m. **Kevin Bilmann**.
Children:

i	Samantha Lee Bilmann	b. 00-00-1993.
ii	Todd Christopher Bilmann	b. 00-00-1995.

Eighth Generation

123. **Judith Margaret McPhee** b. 21-11-1949, Penrith, m. 04-02-1972, in Bathurst, **Graeme John Hill.**
Children:

i	Catherine Louise Hill	b. 30-04-1977, Bathurst.
ii	Alastair John Hill	b. 26-09-1980, Bathurst

124. **Colin James McPhee** b. 16-04-1953, Penrith, m. 09-05-1981, in Toronto, **Cathy Peat Wieland**.
Children:

i	Duncan James McPhee	b. 30-04-1985, Bathurst.
ii	Stuart Ross McPhee	b. 15-04-1987, Bathurst.

125. **John Anthony Bragg** b. 20-02-1951, Camperdown, m. 26-07-1974, in Penrith, **Susan Gai Hinch**.
Children:

i	Anthony John Bragg	b. 09-12-1980, Camperdown.
ii	Krystle Bragg	b. Penrith.

126. **Dance Boyd** b. 1961, Adopted, m.1979, in Bathurst, **Garry William Ryan**, b. 1958.
Children:

i	Alissa Elgin Ryan	b. 00-00-1980.
ii	Jeremy William Ryan	b. 00-00-1982.
iii	Bradley Adam Ryan	b. 00-00-1986.
iv	Elhie Kate Ryan	.b 00-00-1989.

127. **Gary Brett McKinnon** b. 07-12-1966, Invercargill NZ, m. 07-02-1987, in Invercargill NZ, **Raylene Flora Kennedy**.
Children:

i	Rachael Claire McKinnon	b. 11-09-1988.
129. ii	Glen David McKinnon	b. 11-07-1990.

128. **Richard Allan Pearce** b. 21-07-1976, Bathurst, m. **Tina Taylor**.
Children:

i	Gleim Keith Pearce	b. 07-07-2004, Bathurst.
ii	Euan Allan Pearce	b. 07-07-2004, Bathurst.

Ninth Generation

129. **Glen David McKinnon** b. 11-07-1990, m. **Helen Joims.**
Children:

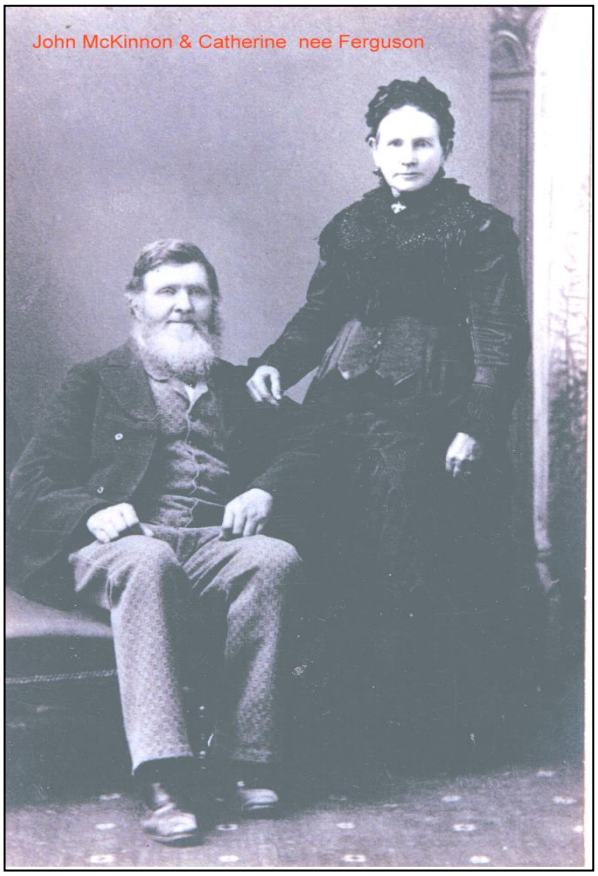
i	Cole Ashley James McKinnon	b. Invercargill NZ.



ROBERT (bob) McKINNON



?? ??? ? DUNCAN MCKINNON



JOHN McKINNON & CATHERINE (nee FERGUSON)



SARAH KcKINNON (nee BANNING.) East End of "Oaks"



Elizabeth Janet McKinnon Married Ewen Ferguson

WALTER WILLIAM MILLETT.

Walter is a very interesting character , and during the 1860s and 1870s was a resident of Palmers Oakey.

03-03-1831	Born, in London. . Father Edward Millett , Mother Jane.
	His father Edward was a tailor of Hosier Lane London.
01-04-1832	Baptised in Parish of St.Sepulchure , Westminister , London.
17-07-1848	Signed on as "Ships Boy" on the *"General Hewitt*", of 961 tons, which left London 17-07-1848.
15-11-1848	Arrived in Sydney. Arrested on arrival by policeman who mistook him for an escaped convict.
03-04-1849	At age 18 apprenticed to William Fishburn of Bathurst , Boot and Shoe Maker for 4 years to 03-04-1853. He was to receive "Sufficient board, washing, lodging and shoes plus.-1st & 2nd years 3/- per week; 3rd year 6/- per week, 4th year 8/- per week. One of the conditions stated that he must not contract matrimony during the apprenticeship.
14-07-1852	At age 21 years and 4 months he married Mary Ann Gettens of Sofala (Mary signed marriage certificate with an X, she was born 1830 and died 28-08-1900) in Christ Church Sofala , Turon River , County Roxburgh. The Minister was Rev. H. A. Palmer and the Witness' were Caroline Gettens and David Myleckaran. At this stage the "Gold Rush to the Turon was well under way.
00-00-1855	Daughter Jane Elizabeth born
05-01-1857	Daughter Mary Ann born and baptised 24-04-1857 by Rev. H A Palmer at Christ Church, Sofala.
00-00-1859	Son Edward born
00-00-1861	Daughter Ann born at Sofala.
	During the early 1860s Millett was a gold buyer for the Bank of New South Wales at Bathurst.
00-00-1864	Daughter Fanny (Francis) born
20-01-1865	Some time during the 1860s Walter took up the Licence of the "Diggers Home " at Palmers Oakey and on the 20th Jan 1865 he submitted a petition to Parliament bearing 117 names asking for a Post Office at Palmers Oakey. At the bottom of the petition he wrote " In the event of the prayer of this petition being complied with I beg to offer my services as Postmaster. W W Millett Innkeeper Palmers Oakey Creek"
00-00-1865	At some stage during this year the following appeared in the Bathurst Press. " W.W.Millett shot whilst riding leisurely on the main Sydney Road one morning whilst 6 miles from Bathurst by a gang of bushrangers , 400 Pounds in saddle bag. Horse wounded also but outdistanced pursuers and returned to Bathurst where 18 pellets of buckshot taken out of his back without anaesthetic by Dr. Machattie."
00-08-1867	A further petition was forwarded to Parliament bearing 139 names, Millett was the first to sign.
06-09-1867	Postal Inspector Moyse visited Palmers Oakey and his report of 14 Sept 1867 said in part " Mr Wm. Millett Storekeeper and Innkeeper of Palmers Oakey Creek, would undertake the duties of Postmaster for 12 Pounds a year, he has a separate room he would use as an office, if appointed, he appears a respectable man , his wife understands the postal duties".
01-01-1868	W W Millett was appointed Post Master at Palmers Oakey Creek on a salary of 12 Pounds per annum. He named as his sureties, John McKinnon a grazier, and Lawrence Kearney an Innkeeper both of Limekilns.
	During 1868 Millett applied for land at Palmers Oakey, and he received 2 registered letters in the mail
08-05-1869	Millett tendered his resignation as Post Master, saying he intended to leave the district. At this time he held the Licence for the "Diggers Arms" at Jews Creek.
15-05-1869	He again wrote to the Postal Service and recommended Thomas Southall a butcher as his successor, Southall having taken over his premises. Southall took charge of the Post Office on the 1st of June.
00-00-1869	A daughter Ellen born
21-09-1869	Southall resigned saying Millett had returned to carry on his business as usual.
01-10-1869	W W Millett reappointed Post Master at P O and during that year received 5 registered letters.
28-10-1870	Millett bought Portion 36 not far from Post Office, and this year received 4 registered letters.
00-00-1871	A daughter Laura born. Millett received 3 registered letters for the year
00-00-1872	Millett recommended W.E.Liardet as Upper Turon Post Master. and received 1 registered letter
00-00-1873	His daughter Mary Ann married John Alexander McKinnon.
00-00-1873	Applied for 8 acres (port 41,42,43,44) at Palmers Oakey, and received 1 registered letter.
00-00-1874	Received 2 registered letters
15-04-1875	Mr K.McLeod replaced Millett as Post Master at Palmers Oakey.
00-00-1878	There was 1 registered letter arrived at Palmers Oakey Post Office for Millett
00-00-1879	His daughter Jane Elizabeth Married John Thomas Moir
00-00-1884	His son Edward Married Mary A Pitt at Rylstone
00-00-1891	His daughter Francis Married Frederick A Bucholtz at Mudgee

The family connection with the Palmers Oakey Post Office is interesting. The first Postmaster was W W Millett , his daughter Mary married J A McKinnon who became Post Master , Milletts daughter Lillian married E T Wolfenden and she became Post Mistress.

Millett	1-1-1868 to 1-6-1869 & 1-10-1869 to 15-4-1875
McKinnon	8-5-1878 to 15-10-1907
Wolfenden	15-10-1907 to 22-4-1912

Millett moved to the Mudgee area about 1875 and he went into the Hotel business in a big way. It is reported that he at one time owned the Paragon, Imperial, Club House, Post Office, & Court House Hotels. Had several hotels on the gold fields and was Mayor of Cudgegong. His hotel business was a family affair as one of his daughters Francis married a Bucholtz and they produced the grapes to make wine and his son-in-laws ran the hotels.

I believe he retired to Leadville , where he died 3rd May 1925 at age 94 and is buried in the Mudgee Cemetery , with his wife Mary Ann age 70 and his son William Walter 6-1-1900 aged 32.

MILLETT

1. **Edward Millett** b. England, occupation Tailor, Hosier Lane London, m. in England, **Jane?,** b. England.

Children:

2.	i	Edward Millett	b. 00-00-1825.
3.	ii	Walter William Millett	b. 03-03-1831.

Second Generation

2. **Edward Millett** b.-1825, London, occupation Tailor, m. **Frances.** Edward died 00-11-1901, Eton 39 Prospect Rd Summer Hill.

Children:

	i	Laura B Millett	b. 00-00-1856, Chippendale, d. 1912, St Leonards.
4.	ii	Amy F Millett	b. 00-00-1860.
	iii	Rosaline A Millett	b. 00-00-1862, Burwood, m. 1886, in Sydney, **Edward W Clarke.**
	iv	Angela Millett	b. 00-00-1863, Concord, d. 1863, Concord.
	v	Edward I Millett	b. 00-00-1864, Concord, d. 1867, Concord.
	vi	Edith G Millett	b. 00-00-1865, Concord, d. 1867, Concord.
5.	vii	Theresa Frances Millett	b. 00-00-1866.
	viii	Alice M Millett	b. 00-00-1868, Concord, d. 1868, Concord.
6.	ix	Francis E Millett	b. 00-00-1869.
	x	Lillian Eva Millett	b. 00-00-1870, Concord, m. 1910, in St Leonards, **George Blume.**
7.	xi	Ethel Blanche Millett	b. 00-00-1873.

2. **Walter William Millett** b. 03-03-1831, London, occupation, innkeeper,,,postmaster, m. 14-07-1852, in Sofala**,**
Mary Ann Getten b. 11-09-1831, England, d. 29-01-1900, buried: Mudgee.
Walter died 03-05-1925, Leadville, buried, Mudgee. **Mary See Gettens Tree**

Children:

8.	i	Jane Elizabeth Millett	b. 05-01-1855.
9.	ii	Mary Ann Millett	b. 05-01-1857.
10.	iii	Edward Millett	b. 00-00-1859.
	iv	Ann Millett	b. 00-00-1861, Sofala, d. 1940, Ashfield.
11.	v	Fanny Millet	b. 00-00-1864.
	vi	William Walter Millett	b. 00-00-1867, Sofala, d. 06-01-1900, buried: Mudgee.
	vii	Lilly Ellen Millett	b. 00-00-1869, Sofala, d. 23-05-1876, Sofala, buried: Mudgee.
	viii	Laura Millett	b. 00-00-1871, Sofala, d. 10-05-1876, Sofala, buried: Mudgee.

Third Generation

4. **Amy F Millett** b. 1860, Chippendale, m. (1) 1888, in St Leonards, **Alexander M Fell,** d. -1904. Amy died -1933, Mosman.

Children

	i	Florence A Fell	b. 00-00-1894, Rockdale.

5. **Theresa Frances Millett** b. 1866, Concord, m. 1890, in St Leonards, **Edward Forster.**

Children:

	i	Marjorie N Forster	b. 00-00-1 892, Ashfield.

6. **Francis E Millett** b. 1869, Concord, m. 1904, in St Leonards**, Emma A Parker**.

Children:

	i	Edward J Millett	b. 00-00-1911, St Leonards.

7. **Ethel Blanche Millett** b. 1873, Concord, m. 1905, in Sydney, **Herbert G Lusk.**

Children:

	i	Hilda M Lusk	b. 00-00-1905, St Leonards.
	ii	Robert A Lusk	b. 00-00-1909, St Leonards.

8. **Jane Elizabeth Millett** b. 05-01-1 855, Sofala, m. 1879, in Mudgee, **John Thomas Moir,** b. 1844, Sydney.

Children:

12.	i	Laura Gertrude Moir	b. 01-04-1880.
	ii	Lilly Elizabeth Moir	b. 00-00-1881, Rylstone, m. **Bob Cole.**
	iii	Florence Mary Moir	b. 00-00-1883, Rylstone, m. **Herb May.**
	iv	Walter Harry Moir	b. 00-00-1884, Rylstone.
	v	John Leslie Moir	b. 00-00-1886, Mudgee, m. **Vera.**
	vi	Frank Sidney Moir	b. 00-00-1888, Mudgee, m. **Violet**.
	vii	Edward A Moir	b. 00-00-1890, Mudgee.
	viii	Myra V Moir	b. 00-00-1892, Mudgee, d. 24-06-1893, Mudgee.
	ix	Charles Norman Moir	b. 00-00-1894, d. 01-11-1918, KIA WWI.
	x	Ruby Grace Moir	b. 00-00-1897, Rylstone, d. 15-12-1897, buried: Mudgee.
	xi	George Hearty Moir	b. 00-00-1898, Rylstone.

9. **Mary Ann Millett** b. 05-01-1857, Sofala, m. 00-00-1873, in Bathurst, **John Alexander McKinnon**, b. 12-11-1850. Mary died 25-07-1917, buried: Mudgee. **John: See McKinnon Tree**

Children:

	i	Mary Laura McKinnon	b. 00-00-1873, Sofala.	
	ii	Janet Mabyn G McKinnon	b. 00-00-1875, Sofala.	
13.	iii	Lillian Helen McKinnon	b. 17-02-1877.	
	iv	Peter William McKinnon	b. 00-00-1879, Sofala,	d. 1891.
	v	Archibald W McKinnon	b. 00-00-1881, Sofala.	
	vi	Edward D McKinnon	b. 00-00-1883, East Macquarie.	
	vii	Mary A McKinnon	b. 00-00-1886, East Macquarie.	
	viii	Alice A McKinnon	b. 00-00-1888, East Macquarie.	
	ix	Ruby L McKinnon	b. 00-00-1891, Sofala.	
	x	Ada M McKinnon	b. 00-00-1893, Sofala, m. 26-04-1919, in St Andrews Auburn, **James lnkpen**	
	xi	Ivy E McKinnon	b. 00-00-1896, Sofala, m. 1920, in Sydney, **Montgomery J Sheppard**.	

10. **Edward Millett** b. 1859, Sofala, m. 1884, in Rylstone, **Mary A Pitt**. Edward died 06-07-1925, Gulgong, buried: Mudgee.

Children:

	i	Walter I Millett	b. 00-00-1885, Mudgee,	d. 1886, Mudgee.
14.	ii	Lily E Millett	b. 00-00-1885.	
	iii	Amy Millett	b. 00-00-1886, Mudgee,	d. 1930, Dunedoo.
	iv	Annie Millett	b. 00-00-1888, Mudgee.	
	v	May N Millett	b. 00-00-1891, Mudgee.	
	vi	Maud Millett	b. 00-00-1893, Mudgee.	

11. **Fanny Millet** b. 1864, Sofala, m. 1891, in Mudgee, **Frederick Anthony Bucholtz,** b. 1859,Mudgee, (son of John Frederick Bucholtz and Marie (Mary) Huth). Fanny died -1939, Nt Sydney. Frederick: Birth Registered as Auton F Bucholtz

Children:

	i	Frederick W Bucholtz	b. 00-00-1892, Mudgee,	m. 1916, in Lithgow, **Olive M Hart.**
	ii	Rowland 0 Bucholtz	b. 00-00-1893, Mudgee.	
	iii	Ferdinand A Bucholtz	b. 1895, Mudgee, m. 1925, in Mudgee, **Lilly S Dowel**. Ferdinand died 1933,	
	iv	Walter E Bucholtz	b. 00-00-1897, Mudgee.	
15.	v	Norman Irving Bucholtz	b. 00-00-1899.	
	vi	Beatrice A Bucholtz	b. 00-00-1901, Mudgee,	m. 1928, in Nt Sydney, **Thomas Newcombe.**
	vii	Olive R Bucholtz	b. 00-00-1903, Mudgee.	
	viii	Victor R Bucholtz	b. 00-00-1906, Mudgee, m. 1929, Mudgee, **Margaret M Doughan.** Vic d1938,	

Fourth Generation

12. **Laura Gertrude Moir** b. 01-04-1 880, Rylstone, m. 26-01-1905, in Mudgee, **Bertrand Aubrey Batley Madell,** b. 1880, Lithgow, d.1947, Sydney. Laura died 1967.

Children:

16.	i	Gladys Hazel Moir Madel	b. 04-10-1906.	
17.	ii	Nina Madell	b. 00-00-1910.	
	iii	Alwynne Madell	b. 00-00-1917, Petersham,	d. 1966.

13. **Lillian Helen McKinnon** b. 17-02-1877, Palmers Oakey, m. 1897, in Sunny Corner, **Edward Thomas Wolfenden,** b. 04-01-1873, Home Rule NSW, d. 07-09-1940, buried: Bowenfels. Lillian died 1941, buried: Bowenfels.

Children:

18.	i	Winifred Alice Wolfenden	b. 28-04-1898.	
	ii	Constance Lillian Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1900,	m. 1919, in Lithgow, **Norman Eddy**.
	iii	John Edward Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1901,	m. 1938, in Lithgow, **Catherine Nash.**
	iv	Archibald Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1903,	m. 1927, in Lithgow, **Elizabeth F Smith.**
	v	Alan Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1905,	m. 1926, in Lithgow, **Rita M Hodder**.
	vi	Mary Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1907,	m. 1927, in Lithgow, **Alfred S J Davis**.
	vii	Dorothy Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1911,	m. 1931, in Lithgow, **Kenneth B Winter.**
19.	viii	Edward Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1913.	
	ix	Evan Harold Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1916.	

14. **Lily E Millett** b. 1885, Mudgee, m. 1907, in Rylstone, **Ernest W Madden.**

Children:

	i	Joyce E Madden	.b 00-00-1916, Gulgong,

15. **Norman Irving Bucholtz** b. 1899, Mudgee, m. 1918, in Sydney, **Clara Betts**.

Children:

	i	William I Bucholtz	b. 00-00-1918, Lithgow.

Fifth Generation

16. **Gladys Hazel Moir Madell** b. 04-10-1906, St Leonards, m. 12-10-1932, in All Souls Leichhardt, **Edwin Thomas Pysden,** b. 14-12-1906, Gibraltar, d. 17-03-1979. Gladys died 13-04-2001, Brisbane.

Children:

20.	i	Roger Glenn Pysden	b. 02-10-1936.
21.	ii	Carole Hazel Pysden	b. 15-01-1940.

17. **Nina Madell** b. 1910, St Leonards, m. **Hector Jamieson.** Nina died Sydney.

Children: i Raoul Jamieson b. 00-00-1940.

18. **Winifred Alice Wolfenden** b. 28-04-1898, Palmers Oakey, m. **Harold Windiate.** Winifred died 1977, Engadine.
Children
: i Lorelle Lillian Windiate b. 16-12-1921, Bowenfels, m. **?? Lowerson.**

19. **Edward Wolfenden** b. 1913, m. 1935, in Lithgow, **Grace Gibbons.**
Children:
i Arlene Gay Wolfenden d. 1944, Lithgow.

Sixth Generation

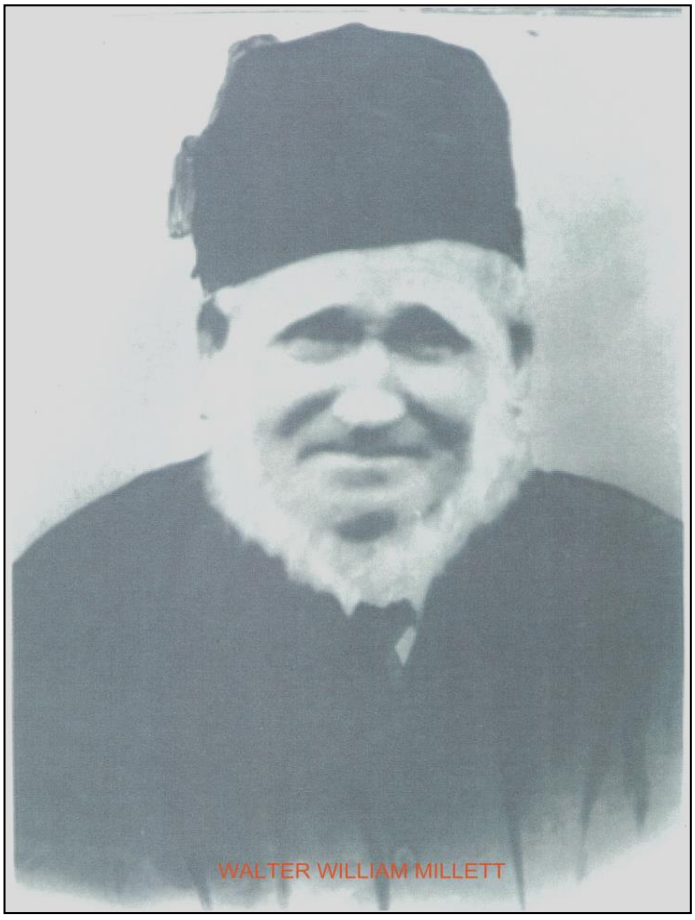
20. **Roger Glenn Pysden** b. 02-10-1936, Sydney, m. **Janice Margaret Carlyle**. Roger died 17-02-1999, Sydney.
Children:
22. i David Michael Pysden.
ii Jennifer Lyndon Pysden.

21. **Carole Hazel Pysden** b. 15-01-1940, Sydney, m. 1961, **Christopher James Dorrough**.
Children:
i Cameron Funston Dorrough b. 30-06-1967, m. 10-06-1999, **Jennifer Jane Andrew.**
23. ii Craig Nathaniel Dorrough b. 17-12-1968.
iii Conrad William Dorrough b. 04-05-1975.

Seventh Generation

22. **David Michael Pysden** **m.** **Lisa.**
Children:
i Benjamin Pysden.

23. **Craig Nathaniel Dorrough** b. 17-12-1968, m. **Lisa Gal McLachlan.**
Children:
i Madison Lilly Durrough.



W.W.MILLETT

MOXON

First record is when James Moxon married in Sofala 1861 to Sophia Staffo and they went on to have 10 children.
They lived on Portion 14 about half a km below the junction of the Turon and Palmers Oakey creek, mined for gold , sent their children to the Upper Turon school, ran stock on the Common.
I have no records after the1880's, their 9th and 10th children were born 1885 and at Rylstone Sophia died 1902 at Crookwell and James died 1903 at Sofala

ELECTORAL ROLL 1870—71

NAME		**AREA**
Moxon	James	Palmers Oakey

PALMER'S OAKEY Post Office Directory 1872

MOXON	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey

1872 QUARTZ MINING LEASES.

DATE	**NAME**	**AREA**	**ACRES.**
15-06-1872	Moxon, Tyrell & Co	Palmers Oakey	6

PALMERS OAKEY POST OFFICE 1875/76.
Moxon James miner
UPPER TURON POST OFFICE 1875/76
Moxon James miner,

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No:	**Admit**	**Pupils Name**	**Age**	**Rel**	**Parent**	**Residence**	**Occupation**	**Class**	**-date**	**Reason for Leaving**
	31-7-76	James Moxon	6	EC	James Moxon	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st-	7/76	
	22-8-76	Henry Moxon	9	EC	James Moxon	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd-	8/76	
	28-10-78	George Moxon	5	EC	Henry Moxon	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st	10/78	Wanted at home,left the dist
	?-11-82	Albert Moxon	5	EC	J Moxon	Upper Turon	Miner	Ist	11/82	Left district

1878. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 11. Mrs J Moxon 1.

ELECTORAL ROLL 1870—71

NAME		**AREA**
Moxon	James	Palmers Oakey

PALMER'S OAKEY Post Office Directory 1872

MOXON	James	miner	Palmer's Oakey

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

	NAME	**HORSES**	**CATTLE**	**GOATS**
1881	James Moxon	3	3	3

MOXON

1. **James Moxon** m. **Elizabeth.**

Children:

2. i James Moxon

Second Generation

2. **James Moxon** occ Gold Miner, m. 1861, in Sofala, **Sophia Staffo,** d. 1902, Crookwell. James died 1903, Sofala.

Children:

	i	Charlotte Elizabeth Moxon	b. 00-00-1863.	
4.	ii	William J Moxon	b. 00-00-1865.	
5.	iii	Henry J Moxon	b. 00-00-1867.	
6.	iv	James Moxon	b. 00-00-1869.	
	v	Joseph Moxon	b. 00-00-1871, Sofala,	d. 1872, Sofala.
	vi	George Richard Moxon	b. 00-00-1873, Sofala,	d. 1916, Kurri Kurri.
	vii	Ellen Mary Moxon	b. 00-00-1880, Sofala,	m. 1903, in Sydney, **George Lavor.**
7.	viii	Mary J Moxon	b. 00-00-1881.	
8.	ix	EstherSMoxon	b. 02-0l-1885.	
	x	Walter Moxon	b. 00-00-1885, Rylstone	d. 1885, Macquarie.

Third Generation

3. **Charlotte Elizabeth Moxon** b. 1863, Sofala, m. 1885, in Bathurst, **John Thomas Jackson**, b.1863,Bathurst. Charlotte died 1933, Orange.

Children:

	i	William Jackson	b. 00-00-1886, Bathurst.	
9.	ii	Arthur J Jackson	b. 00-00-1887.	
	iii	Robert T Jackson	b. 00-00-1888, Bathurst.	
	iv	Unnamed Jackson	b. 00-00-1890, Orange,	d. 1890, Orange.
	v	Thomas J Jackson	b. 00-00-1891, Orange.	
	vi	Mable Jackson	b. 00-00-1893, Orange.	
10.	vii	Norman Jackson	b. 26-09-1894.	

4. **William J Moxon** b. 1865, Sofala, m. 1884, in Sydney , **Caroline Evans.**

Children:

i	Ernest A Moxon	b. 00-00-1 885, Parramatta.	
ii	Annie Moxon	b. 00-00-1887, Parramatta.	
iii	Ellen H Moxon	b. 00-00-1889, Parramatta.	
iv	Elizabeth J Moxon	b. 00-00-1893, Parramatta.	
v	Frederick W Moxon	b. 00-00-1896, Parramatta.	
vi	Alfred S Moxon	b. 00-00-1898, Parramatta.	
vii	Susan Moxon	b. 00-00-1899, Parramatta,	d. 1900, Parramatta.
viii	Bertie D Moxon	b. 00-00-1901, Parramatta,	d. 1901, Parramatta.
ix	Florence E Moxon	b. 00-00-1905, Parramatta.	
x	William J Moxon		d. 1915, Parramatta.

5. **Henry J Moxon** b. 1867, Sofala, m. 1891, in Crookwell**,** **Emily Burton**.

Children:

i	Ernest H Moxon	b. 00-00-1894, Tamworth.
ii	Herbert V Moxon	b. 00-00-1896, Tamworth.
iii	Lionel J Moxon	b. 00-00-1900, Tamworth.
iv	Clarence G Moxon	b. 00-00-1902, Tamworth.

6. **James Moxon** b. 1869, Sofala, m. 1891, in Parramatta, **Henreitta M Evans.**

Children:

i	Ellen M S Moxon	b. 00-00-1892, Broken Hill,	d. 1894, Broken Hill.
ii	Ivy H H Moxon	b. 00-00-1894, Sturt.	

7. **Mary J Moxon** b. 1881, Sofala, m. 1903, in Crookwell, **Samuel Cook.**

Children:

i	Alfred Cook	b. 00-00-1903, Temora.
ii	Agnes M Cook	b. 00-00-1905, Temora.
iii	Linda M Cook	b. 00-00-1908, Temora.
iv	Evelyn A Cook	b. 00-00-1910, Temora.
v	Alma R Cook	b. 00-00-1912, Temora.
vi	Edna M Cook	b. 00-00-1914, Temora.
vii	Thelma R Cook	b. 00-00-1916, Temora.
viii	Ethel R Cook	b. 00-00-1917, Temora.

8. **Esther S Moxon** b. 02-01-1885, Rylstone, m. 1908, in Bathurst, **William H King.**

Children:

i	Cleveland J King	b. 00-00-1912, Sydney.
ii	Alma J King	b. 00-00-1917, Bathurst.

MUNRO

The following is taken from a Scottish newspaper 6th June 1882.

THE LATE MR. FINLAY MUNRO.—ELGIN

We are sorry to record to-day the death of a gentleman whose departure takes away another landmark in Morayshire. Mr Finlay Munro, a household word for many years in Elgin & neighbourhood, has gone "over to the majority". Born at Logie Easter, in Ross-shire, in 1811. He afterwards went to Fochabers. He came to Elgin between 45 and 50 years ago. He long practiced as Sheriff Officer and messenger-at-arms, and many still survive to bell his memory for his kind tact in this capacity. His duties in this part of his business were at no time pleasant, but they were carried out with feeling and sympathy, which relieved rather than irritated his unfortunate clients. About 30 years ago he took licence as auctioneer and valuator, and the public of Elgin know how faithfully he performed his duties between man and man. He was a gentleman full of honour, and hated anything mean. He was two or three times elected a councillor of the burgh, and never ceased to take a lively interest in its affairs. For a time he held the honourable position of Dean of Guild. A special feature in his character was his kindly interest in the young, in the poor and needy, in those that had none to give them help. A man more full of kindly sympathies was not to be found in the community. He was pre-eminently one of those who made many friends, and few if any enemies. He has always been a staunch supporter of the Free Church and has long held office as an elder in the Free High Church. The brethren of the Kilmolymock Lodge of free masons have resolved to attend the funeral and pay their last Masonic honours to the deceased, who was for many years the Senior Chaplain.

David Dewar Munro was Born in Elgin, Scotland c1835.

David Dewar is said to have studied Pharmacy at Edinburgh University but apparently did not complete the course and came to Australia in 1854 to Melbourne. It appears the reason for going to Melbourne was that either a cousin or brother was already living in Sale Victoria. This is the birthplace of Finlay Elgin Munro a successful builder of Darling Point Sydney, who took quite an interest in David. Finlay Elgin's children referred to David as "Uncle David".

David went to work as a clerk in the Bank of N S W in Melbourne but apparently left to go gold mining. He spent 8 years in Victoria, and like many "bitten" by the gold bug wandered from field to field. He finally turned up at Palmers Oakey in 1862, and on the 3rd January 1868 married Mary McKinnon. He was then about 32 years of age, and lived the rest of his life at Palmers Oakey where he died on 25th April 1915, (Anzac Day)

The following is taken from History of Palmers Oakey

03-01-1868 David Dewar Munro married Mary McKinnon at Palmers Oakey Witnessed by Daniel Hopkins and Janet McKinnon.Married by Rev. Colin Stewart

14-09-1868 David Munro and his wife Mary (nee McKinnon) had a son Finlay. David Munro and his wife Mary (nee McKinnon) had their son Finlay baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where he was born as Palmers Oakey and David's profession as Miner. During the 70's Davids name appears on Post Office & Electoral rolls as Munroe.

20-05-1882 Special common meeting to elect two trustees to common as W Phillips and G Bower resigned. Elected were **David Dewar Munro** and John McCarthy.

13-10-1882 D D Munro and J McCarthy gazetted trustees

20-01-1883 General meeting of Commoners to elect 5 trustees for ensuing 3 years. **David D Munro,** Daniel Hopkins, Michael McDonnell, Peter McKinnon, elected and also approved of, also John Thomas Franks proposed D Hopkins John A McKinnon.

1884. Reg letters to Palmers Oakey from Mitchells Creek , **David D Munro**

28-12-1889 Public meeting at J Dunkel's to revise common roll. The following name was struck off, **Finlay Munro** , and an application by Peter Munro granted. J Dunkel chairman and Sec

1889. Registered Letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell **David Munro 1.**

09-01-1892 An Advertised Public Meeting held at Jacob Dunkels to elect Trustees for Palmers Oakey Common for ensuing 3 years. 1 J Dunkel, proposed by Thomas Lynch seconded George McLeod. 2 John Alexander McKinnon proposed by **David Munro** seconded George McLeod. 3 William Lewis proposed by Edward O'Farrell seconded J Dunkel. 4 Francis Henry Buckerfield proposed by Henry Theobald seconded William Lewis. 5 Daniel Hopkins proposed by Jerimiah O'Farrell seconded Henry Theobald. J Dunkel chairman of meeting. A meeting was then held to hear the expenditure etc of the common.

02-09-1893 An advertised public meeting on Palmers Oakey Creek to elect a trustee in place of Daniel Hopkins resigned. The following gentleman was duly elected. **Mr David Munro** proposed by Henry Theobald and seconded by Francis H Buckerfield. Carried. J Dunkel chairman.

Public meeting hold at J Dunkels to revise common roll, also to elect trustees for the ensuing 3 years. Jacob Dunkel proposed by Francis Hyde seconded David Munro, Francis Henry Buckerfield proposed by D Munro seconded by Henry Theobald, **David Munro** proposed by Thomas Lynch seconded by E H Kearney, James McDonnell proposed by J Dunkel seconded by Peter Theobald, Henry Theobald Jr proposed by F H Buckerfield seconded by Michael McDonnell.

08-10-1898 An advertised public meeting was held at Palmers Oakey to elect two Trustees in the place of Jacob Dunkel and Francis N Franks who have resigned, when the following gentlemen were duly elected, Michael McDonnell proposed by Francis Hyde seconded by John O'Farrell carried. Peter Munro proposed D Ferguson seconded by Henry Theobald Jr. carried. Jacob Dunkel chairman of the meeting John O'Farrell secretary.**David Dewar Munro** applied for portion 27 Dulabree and Francis Newton Franks for portion 28, the values being Barn £5. Sheds £3. Hut £4. Blacksmiths Shop £3. Buggy Shed £2. Powder Store £3. Stable £4. Slaughter House and Yards £15. Fencing 6 chains of 1 rail 5 wire and nett. 12 chains 6 wire and nett. 12 chains pailings in twisted wire. 5 chains 3 rail and nett. 5 chain 3 rail.

COMMON ROLL 1899

NAME	**ADDRESS**	**GROUND FOR CLAIM**
David Munro	"	Resident
Peter Munro	"	"
Robert Munro	"	"

03-03-1900 A trustees meeting held on the Big Hill when it was decided to write to Mr W G Thompson re ground and to issue notices warning anyone from removing stock without acquainting the trustees and granting common rights to **Robert Munro** and Edward Wolfenden. M McDonnell chairman.

19-05-1900 A trustees meeting was hold at the Big Hill re sending bill for the year 1900 common fees and sending notices to stop further fencing in any more of the common land. **D D Munro** Chairman and sec of meeting.

04-08-1900 A trustees meeting at **D Munros** to make new rules and regulations. Mr McDonnell in the chair. It was put to the vote to reduce the stock for each commoner from 25 to 20 head each. carried by 3 votes to 1 Mr McDonnell being against it. Proposed by D McKinnon to have 4 s goats and 1 he goat each commoner Seconded G Bowers Carried. and to alter the Penaltes of the different clauses which was done and the meeting closed. M McDonnell chairman.

14-08-1900 A trustees meeting held at **D Munros** to correct errors re rules and regulations. Scale of fees for standing Timber, soil and stone taken from common.

Standing timber for firewood One horse load 0-0-6 Two 0-0-8, Three 0-0-10, Four 0-1-0, Bullock load 0-1-0.
Other standing timberPer tree 0-1-6
Soil Per load 0-1-0
Stone Per load 0-1-0

08-12-1900 Public meeting held on the Big Hill re Roll. **D Munro** Chairman.

13-01-1901 A public meeting was called for this date but was adjourned (being Sunday) to the 19 th Jan which was duly held on the 19 th Jan 1901 to elect trustees for the ensuing three years. Proposed by **D D Munro** D Hopkins seconded by C Ferguson, W Smith proposed by C Ferguson seconded by W Theobald, J Wilkinson proposed by W Theobald seconded by F Hyde, F Hyde, proposed by **D Munro** seconded by F Wilkinson, D D Munro proposed by C Ferguson seconded M McDonnell all carried unanimously. At the same meeting the balance sheet was read and passed as correct.

09-03-1901 A trustees meeting was called for this date at which D Hopkins , Francis Hyde**, D Munro** was present when it was agreed to call in all this years common fees that was due.

13-04-1901 A trustees quartely meeting was held on this date at which the undermentioned common rights was granted Ida, Franks, Mrs John A McKinnon, William Theobald, and it was decided to call tenders for the covering of all holes along both sides of the Palmers Oakey Creek. **D D Munro** chairman.

24-04-1901 Trustees of Palmers Oakey Union Church purchased at auction in Bathurst portion 16 Dulabree for Church site.Trustees being **David Munro.** Charles Ferguson, William Lewis, Frank Hyde, John Thomas Franks, Duncan McKinnon, William Tacke.

10-08-1901 An ordinary meeting of trustees was hold on this date to concider what was to be done about the young stock as some of the commoners were not paying up for same, when it was resolved to sue. **D D Munro** chairman.

21-09-1901 A quartely meeting of trustees was held on this date to decide about people dogging animals on the common when it was decided to post notices up warning all commoners if they were found dogging the animals they would be prosecuted for same**. D D Munro** chairman and sec.

19-10-1901 A Trustees meeting was held on the above date to concider the rabbit question when it was agreed that all commoners should meet on the first Sat. of each month and have a rabbit drive. **D D Munro** chairman.

21-12-1901 A public meeting was held on this date at which the common roll was revised and other matters discussed , at which E 0'Farrells right was objected to. **D D Munro** chairman.

18-01-1902 A public was held on this date to exhibit the balance sheet of the common which was passed as correct. **D D Munro** chairman.

01-02-1902 A trustees meeting was hold on this date to decide whether E O'Farrell had any right to depasture on the common, the trustees present were , D Hopkins , John Wilkinson, **D D Munro**, W Smith, Proposed by D Hopkins that his right be cancelled seconded by J Wilkinson, carried 3 to 1 . W Smith resigned. **D D Munro** chairman.

11-02-1902 A trustees meeting was held on this date to make new rules and regulations for the better management of the common , when the stock were reduced from 20 to 15 for each commoner and 2/- per head of stock per year as common fee to be paid 1st Jan. 1st July. Goats to be as they were until further notice. Trustees present were **David D Munro**, William James Wilkinson, Daniel Hopkins, Francis Hyde,. Common charges for timber, soil, and stone; standing timber for firewood:- 1 horse load 6d. 2=8d. 3=10d. 4=1/-, 1 bullock load 1/-. other standing timber per tree 1/6, soil 1/-, stone 1/-

28-06-1902 A quartely meeting was called on this date when it was resolved to impound all sheep found straying on the common. **D D Munro** chairman.

25-10-1902 A quartely meeting of trustees was held on this date at which **D D Munro,** D Hopkins, F Hyde, was present, the sec was directed to issue notices that all stock treaspassing on the common would be impounded and all common stock not entered in the herd book and paid would be impounded also. **D D Munro** chairman. After the meeting **D D Munro** and Francis Hyde resigned as trustees and the secretary was told to call a public meeting to elect 3 trustees in their place.

08-11-1902 A duly advertised Public Meeting was held on this date to elect 3 trustees in Lieu of W Smith, F Hyde, **D D Munro** resigned. At which meeting the following gentlemen were elected. John A McKinnon, proposed by D McKinnon seconded by Peter Munro, carried. Walter Theobald proposed by W J Wilkinson seconded by **D D Munro**, Alfred Wilkinson proposed by **D D Munro** seconded by W J Wilkinson. all carried unanmously and the meeting closed.

COMMON ROLL 1901---1902

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
David Munro	PO	Resident Miner
Peter Munro	"	"
R Munro	"	"

COMMON ROLL 1903-1904

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
David Munro	"	
Peter Munro	"	
R Munro	"	
Margret Munro	"	"
Martha Munro	"	"

DIVISION OF MACQUARIE. 1903.
PALMERS OAKEY POLLING-PLACE.

Roll of Persons entitled to Vote under the Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902.

56 Munro	David	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
57 Munro	Margaret	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
58 Munro	Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
59 Munro	Peter	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

14-01-1905 A public meeting was held on this date when the balance sheet for 1904 was gone over and was found correct and passed, also the fence at McDonnells should be fixed as to prevent the cattle and horses from going through on Mr Corlis' land which was agreed to. **D Munro** chairman.

11-02-1905 A trustees was held on this date and it was resolved to give A Bowers, Albert Bowers, and David Bowers common rights on this common. D Munro chairman.

09-12-1905 A public meeting was held on this date at which the commoner's roll was revised. **DD Munro** chairman.

COMMON ROLL 1905-1906

NAME	**ADDRESS**	**GROUND FOR CLAIM**
David Munro		Resident
Peter Munro		Resident Miner
Mrs D Munro		

13-01-1906 A public meeting was held on this date at which the balance sheet was read and passed. **D D Munro** chairman.

1906 DIVISION of MACOUARIE
PALMERS OAKEY POLLING PLACE

Roll of Persons entitled to Vote under the Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902

44	Munro	David	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
45	Munro	Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
46	Munro	Peter	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

05-01-1907 A public meeting was hold on this date for the purpose of electing trustees for the ensuing three years and the following trustees were duly elected; Edward Wolfenden, Julius Wannick, Henry Theobald, Arthur Hyde, Robert McKinnon, **D D Munro** chairman.

05-01-1907 A public meeting was hold on this date for the purpose of electing trustees for the ensuing three years and the following trustees were duly elected; Edward Wolfenden, Julius Wannick, Henry Theobald, Arthur Hyde, Robert McKinnon, **D D Munro** chairman.

A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of reviewing the balance sheet for the year 1907 which was done and passed as correct, Also to elect a trustee in leiu of Robert McKinnon resigned when W J Wilkinson was duly elected proposed by George McLeod and seconded by David Munro and carded. **D D Munro** chairman of meeting.

19-09-1908 A public meeting was held on this date to elect a trustee in lieu of Julius Wannick resigned and following gentleman was duly elected R D McKinnon proposed by H Theobald seconded **by P A Munro. D D Munro** chairman.

12-10-1908 Meeting of trustees four present. Business, electing secretary in leiu of **D Munro** resigned and other business in connection with common , meeting closed E Wolfenden chairman.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1908

People Registered as living in the Palmers Oakey area

No	.Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
42	Munro	David	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
43	Munro	Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
44	Munro	Peter	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
45	Munro	Martha	F	Palmers Oakey	H D

15-01-1909 A public meeting was held on this date, 25 present. Business, production of balance sheet for the year 1908 and election of one trustee. Mr D McKinnon on the motion of **P Munro** was duly elected for the remaining 12 months of term. After other ordinary business was discussed the meeting closed. E Wolfenden chairman.

08-01-1910 A common meeting held on above date. D Munro in the chair. Business to elect 5 trustees for the ensuing 3 years and to show balance sheet for 1909. The following gentlemen ware duly elected. Mr J T Bower, **P Munro,** C Ferguson, D McKinnon, R McKinnon. The balance sheet adopted on the motion of **D Munro,** sec by R McKinnon. Meeting closed E Wolfenden sec.

04-11-1910 A trustees meeting held on this date re Duncan Fergusons application for 100 acres on this common and the trustees decided to have no more of the common taken off by any one by their consent and the meeting closed. **D D Munro** sec.

11-12-1910 A public meeting was held on this date to elect Trustees for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected :- John Thomas Bowers, Robert McKinnon, Aiden Shumack, **Peter Munro,** Duncan McKinnon. At the same meeting the balance sheet was revised and passed Duncan McKinnon chairman.

16-01-1913 **Ethel May Munro** post mistress at Palmers Oakey in place of John Bower.

17-01-1914 A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of revising the balance sheet for the year 1913 which was passed as correct, also a trustee was elected in lieu of D McKinnon resigned. **D D Munro** was proposed by A Shumack seconded by C P Ferguson and carried and the meeting closed. A Shumack chairman. (note the meeting of 13-12-1913 elected C P Ferguson)

28-03-1914 A trustees meeting was held on this date to raise the common fees as the revenue was not enough to cover the expenses , all the trustees were present. It was proposed by A Shumack that the fee should be 5/- per year and it was seconded by J T Bowers and carried and the meeting closed. **D D Munro** chairman.

1914 COMMON ROLL

Peter Munro Mrs P A Munro Ethel Munro D D Munro Mrs D D Munro

25-04-1915 David Dewar Munro died.

17-06-1915 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which it was decided not to elect a fifth trustee in place of **D D Munro** deceased until the general election of trustees in November. It was also decided to warn holders of treaspassing stock that same would be impounded or action taken unless suitable means of preventing their straying were taken A T Shumack chairman.

A meeting of trustees was held on the above date Moved by D McKinnon Sec by E Ferguson that **P Munro** and D Ferguson do two days work filling and covering dangerous holes for the sum of £2-0-0. Minutes of 21 & 22-9-16 were read and confirmed. **P Munro** Chairman.

17-03-1917 A trustees meeting was held at the above date to see what was to be done about J Shumack removing fence off of common Solitors advice obtained by C Ferguson 7/6. Moved by P Munro seconded by D Ferguson that money be paid C Ferguson. Fence deferred until next meeting. **P Munro** chairman. (Solicitors advice stated that Shumack be notified to replace the wire or pay for it, and if he did not the trustees were to sue. It was pointed out that if the trustees did not have the wire replaced or sue Shumack, that under Section 28 the Crown would call them to account.). The letter was sent to C Ferguson Palmers Oakey c/r Belmore Hotel.

06-06-1917 A meeting of trustees was held at the above date. A letter was read from Chief Inspector of Stock referring to ridding Common of briars it was decided to write and tell the Dept. it was impossible for Trustees to do so as the cost would be too high. It was also decided to call a public meeting to elect a trustee in lieu of D McKinnon resigned. **P Munro**

01-05-1918 Mrs Duncan Ferguson Post Mistress in place of **Mrs E E Munro.**

23-05-1918 **Clive David Munro born.**

A duly advertised commoners meeting was held at the above date when balance sheet for past year was examined & found correct. & the following gentlemen were elected to act as trustees for common for the next three years. Duncan McKinnon, Duncan Roy Ferguson, Charles Peet Ferguson, **Peter Archibald Munro**, Duncan Ferguson. C P Ferguson Chairman

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1919

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
25	Munro	Mary	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
26	Munro	Peter Archibald	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
27	Munro	Ethel May	F	Palmers Oakey	H D

04-02-1920 A trustees meeting was held at above date to see what could be done to stop an application that had been put in for a lease of the common . It was proposed by D Ferguson seconded by **P Munro** that a petition to that effect signed by the commoners was to be sent to the mining warden. Carried. Petition sent away on the 10th Feb. signed by 17 commoners.

17-02-1920 A special meeting of trustees was held on the above date to confer with Stock Inspector Brett of Bathurst in the matter of certain applications for leases within the common . Present:- D Ferguson, C P Ferguson, **P A Munro,** D R Ferguson & Secretary. The following applications were submitted by Mr Brett:- John S Shumack for about half the Common on the Eastern side. It was unaminiously resolved to strongly oppose the application in the interests of the commonage, it being considered that applicant already holds a living area & that a petition signed by 17 commoners was recently forwarded to Mining Warden Bathurst opposing the granting of the application ;-- 121 C P Ferguson for an area of 15ac

1 r 17 perches to be added to his Residential Lease of 4ac 2r 23 perches making up his area to 20 acres;- Resolved not to offer any objection to the granted (sic) of the application:---- 13 Application by E M Ferguson for a Special Lease of 12 acres for Business Site; Resolved that no objection be offered to the granted (sic) of the application;- The matter of D McKinnons proposed application for an additional area to his Residential Lease was mentioned & the opinion expressed that it would be wise to encourage this class of settlement & if the application is in order no objection will be offered. The Inspector examined the books and advised that a receipt book be obtained & that cash in hand should be banked, & that the books be audited & balance sheet published in Local Paper annually. He also urged in view of correspondence from Under Secretary that money in hand should be expended on eradication of briars without delay. D Ferguson chairman.

20-03-1920 A trustees meeting was hold on the above date, for the purpose of arranging definitely what was to be done re briars, also what would be done about stock that ware annoying commoners. Present, full attendance of trustees & Secretary. It was proposed by C P Ferguson seconded by **P Munro** that tenders be called to clear about 100 acres from briars on Hawkins Hill, proposal carried. Proposed by D McKinnon & seconded by D Ferguson that the stock annoying were to be removed, carried, also it was proposed & carried that all bush fences on the common were to be done away with, as they only made rogues of stock & were a harbour for rabbits, three months until the 30th June 1920 was given to remove them & place stock proof fences instead. D Ferguson, chairman.

02-06-1921 A trustees meeting was hold on above date for the purpose of seeing what could be done to stop a lease of part of the common being taken by J S Shumack. Proposed by D Ferguson & seconded by **P Munro** that as all the trustees could not appear at the Land Board on the day of hearing 27 July 1920 one at least would try to go and an agent should be asked to appear in their place, Carried . Secretary was requested to write and ask agent and to give him all the information he needed in the matter. It was also stated that half a crown (2/6) a head was to be charged on cattle & horses up to the end of the half year. Present D McKinnon, C P Ferguson**, P A Munro,** D Ferguson, & Secretary D Ferguson chairman.

28-02-1923 **Mary Munro died.(**nee McKinnon sister to Duncan)

01-09-1923 A trustees meeting was hold on the above date , present D Ferguson, **P A Munro,** S Greentree, C P Ferguson, & E Mc,Ferguson, & secretary. The revocation of common. Business to discuss the proposed revocation of common as trustees could not cope with the briar growth. A portion of Surveyors letter was read where he recommended the disposal of the whole of the common on account of briar growth. Proposed and carried that it was impossible for trustees to cope with the briars. The surveyors letter also urged that the best way to dispose of common would be to divide it amoung the residents on the common about six families in all if it could be agreed upon so as to give each an equitable share. Proposed by D Ferguson that the surveyors advice be taken and common be divided among residents Seconded by C P Ferguson and carried, three trustees for and two against. The two against wished it to go to public competition. D Ferguson chairman.

05-11-1931 **Peter Munro died.** buried P 0 cemetery.

29-12-1937 D Ferguson issued with permit to Inoculate **Mrs E M Munro's** sheep with Black Disease Vaccine. Cost of vaccine £3-10-0 for 2000ml (7d/head)

A public meeting was held at the Recreation Reserve. Business in hand to tender the resignation of H Theobald and to discuss the erection of a tennis court. On the motion of B McLeay ,seconded by D Ferguson it was decided to accept the resignation. B McLeay nominated **C Munro** to fill the vacancy , seconded by T Ferguson, carried. The public agreed to the erection of a tennis court and the secretary was instructed to prepare an estimate of the cost thereof with a view of obtaining a grant to cover cost material.

11-11-1939 D T Ferguson sold **C D Munro** 1 mare for £6—0—0

00-00-1940 **Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade formed:-**

Aiden Shumack	10-0
E M Ferguson	10-0
D Ferguson	10-0
C Munro	3-0
Mrs A Elbourn	2-6
T Ferguson	10-0
J Shumack	7-6
T G Scott	2-6
H A Thompson	1-00-0

06-01- 1940 Recreation trustees meeting held at Rec Ground Present E J Bennett, **C D Munro**, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. Sinking of a dam and killing briars was considered sufficient rent by D T Ferguson . **C D Munro** was granted the grass rights for 12 months for 10/- and killing briars.

00-00-1944 On the day that Aiden Shumack died **Clive Munro,** Duncan Ferguson and his wife Win were fixing the fence on the Oakey" paddock (now Nature Reserve) where it joined the Forestry , it had been damaged by fire. When news of Aidens death arrived at **Munros, Len Munro** rode out to the head of the Oakey following their tracks to let **Clive** and the others know of Aidens death. This was no easy task considering the distance and terrain he had to follow the tracks. He also arrived just in time, for as he and **Clive** left for home a very heavy thunder storm broke and obliterated all the tracks.

25-09-1944 to the 21-11-1944 Over this period **C D Munro** worked 7 days for D L Ferguson mustering and shearing.

24-02-1945 to the 11-03-1945 **Clive Munro** and Ned Bennett put up fence for D Ferguson , Martins front paddock joining road about 25 chains (500m). Clive was paid £12 and Ned £9 ie £1 per day.

08-02-1950 D L Ferguson & **C D Munro** sent 545 sheep to Bathurst saleyards, **C Munro** droving.

31-07-1950 Locals working on roads fixing bogs in front of "Kelvin" and floating bridge timber down the creek to Martins causeway and stockpiling it. (The road-bridge across the creek at "Nebo" was washed away earlier in the year and had come to rest in **C Munros** near Golden Point, and the locals salvaged what they could of the excellent timber)

04-11-1951 **C Munro** sold "Knights Gully" to F Theobald but the Dep of Lands said they would not give their consent to the sale because it would not give both an adequate area for home maintenance. This took some time to resolve.

16-07-1955 **C Munro**, D Ferguson, C Ferguson caught and shot a wild pig that wandered into the valley.

26-02-1956 Telephone connected **to C Munros**

From the 27-4-65 the rabbit chiller at Fergusons loaded 4376 rabbits for an income to the locals of £613-9-1 ½ . The top trappers were Charlie Theobald with 1385 £ 202-3-6, Frank Theobald 973 £130-16-11, **Clive Munro** 916 £125-0-0,

Colin Ferguson 613 £58-0-0, **Len Munro** 221 £25-3-1 The price of rabbits started out at 5/- per pair and rose to 6/3 by 26-8-65. **Clive Munro** and Carl Shumack had a head on car accident near Sugarloaf bridge, no injuries. Carl later brought his dozer up and made the bend safer. Bike trial through **C Munros** and over Cattlerun.

06-12-1978 Wales helicopter came up from Sydney at first light, C Ferguson went up with them, located the plane and it was decided to walk in from the Mt Franklin road. **Clive Munro, Geoff Munro** and Colin Ferguson walked in with a party of police to the crash site, cut a clearing with a chainsaw for the helicopter to lift the bodies of Johnston and Foreman out

01-03-1981 **June Munro's** father Frank Hopper passed away.

02-10-1981 **June Munro's** mother passed away.

09-11-1981 Elgin Nancarrow (nee Munro) passed away.

07-10-1982 **Clive Munro** had a heart by-pass operation at R P A Sydney.

11-02-1983 Kato cleaning out dams for **Clive Munro**

26-01-1989 **Geoff Munro** shot 2 dogs at Bulls Camp.

05-10-1991 **Clive Munro** to Bathurst Hospital with heart attack.

31-10-1994 **Clive Munro** home from hospital with new hip

14-10-1995 **Clive Munro** caught a red dog in a trap near his house but dog left only 3 toes

Bill Shumack & **Clive Munro** presented with 50 years bush fire service badges at meeting at Lithgow, (Geoff received Clive's on his behalf)

27-03-2004 B-B-Q at Fire Shed. Shed officially opened by Bobbie Shumack. **Clive Munro** unveiled Plaque. 70 people attended.

18-08-2007 **Clive Munro passed away.**

OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE	
1891	Jane Munro	3		
1882	David Munro	1		
	Finlay Munro	2		
	Peter Munro	1		
1883	David D Munro	4	1	
1887	Finlay Munro	5	3	
1888	Finlay Munro	4	7	
1889	F Munro	3	7	
	Peter Munro		7	
	David Munro	3	2	
1891	David Munro	7	10	
1892	Davie Munro	9	16	
1893	Davie Munro & son	11	19	
1894	Peter Munro	9	9	
	David Munro	4	19	
1895	David Munro		25	
	Peter Munro	11		
1896	David Munro		14	
	Peter Munro	10		
1897	David Munro	7	7	
1898	David Munro	6	3	
	Peter Munro	5		
1899	David Munro	7	4	
	Peter Munro	6	3	
1900	Peter Munro	7	8	3 goats
1901	Peter Munro	7		
	D Munro	1		
	Robt Munro	2	6	
1907	Peter Munro	8	6	
	Ethel Munro,		12	
1910	E Munro	5		
	P Munro	7		
	Mrs D Munro	5		
	Matha Munro	5		
	D Munro	2		
1913	Ethel Munro	4		
	Mrs D D Munro		6	
	P A Munro	4	1	
1916	Mrs D D Munro	1		
	P A Munro	2	2	
	Mrs P Munro	2		
1918	Mrs D D Munro		3	
	P A Munro	4	1	
	Mrs P Munro	3	1	
	Miss E E Munro	3	1	

MUNRO.

1. **David Dewar Munro** b. 09-01-1835., Fochabers, Morayshire Bellie Scotland, bpt 11-01-1835, Fochabers, m.03-01-1868, in Palmers Oakey, **Mary McKinnon,** b. 24-02-1849, Limekilns,bpt 15-01-1850, St Stephens Bathurst, (daughter of Peter Leonard McKinnon and Janet Ferguson) d. 28-02-1923, "Strathmore"Private Hospital Bathurst, buried: 02-03-1923, Palmers Oakey. David died 25-04-1915, Palmers Oakey, buried:27-04-1915, Palmers Oakey.

Children:

2.	i	Mary Jane Munro	b. 01-07-1866.	
3.	ii	Finlay Dalrymple Munro	b. 14-09-1868.	
	iii	Janet Catherine Munro	b. 03-06-1870, Palmers Oakey, d. 22-09-1945, Burwood, buried:24-09-1945 , Rookwood Crem. Spinster	
	iv	Anne Martha Munro	b. 28-12-1871, Palmers Oakey, d. 28-10-1945, St Vincents Bathurst, buried: 30-10-1945, Bathurst. Spinster	
4.	v	Peter Archibald Munro	b. 28-09-1873.	
5.	vi	Margareta Munro	b. 21-12-1877.	
6.	vii	Elizabeth Sarah Munro	b. 24-04-1880.	
7.	viii	Robert Charles Munro	b. 10-11-1882.	
8.	ix	Martha Helen Munro	b. 14-01-1885.	
	x	Charles William Munro	b. 30-09-1887, Palmers Oakey,	d. 31-07-1891, Palmers Oakey, buried: 02-08-1891, Palmers Oakey.
9.	xi	Ethel Elgin Munro	b. 30-10-1889.	

Second Generation

2. **Mary Jane Munro** b. 01-07-1866, Palmers Oakey, m. 10-06-1896, in 112 Denison St Camperdown, **Francis John Stanford**, b. 26-08-1862, Peel, d. 04-04-1918, RPA Camperdown, buried: 05-04-1918, Rookwood C of E. Mary died 23-10-1945, Arncliffe, buried: 24-10-1945, Rookwood C of E .Francis:Son of John Stanford & Martha Read

Children:

	i	Irenie Stanford	b. 03-04-1897, Stuart Town,	d. 07-08-1977.
10.	ii	Ivor Wingfield Stanford	b. 26-04-1899.	
11.	iii	Erroll Garnet Stanford	b. 12-09-1901.	
	iv	Enid May Stanford	b. 22-10-1906, Stuart Town m **Robert Tait,** b1900, England,	d. 18-03-1974.Enid died 04-07-1976.

3. **Finlay Dalrymple Munro** b. 14-09-1868, Palmers Oakey, 20-11-1868, bpt Palmers Oakey by Rev Colin Stewart, m. 08-07-1902, in St Davids Surry Hills, **Ada Mary Tompson**, b. 25-10-1874, O'Connell, d. 20-07-1950, buried: 21-07-1950, Nt Suburbs. Finlay died 22-07-1942, Pennant Hills, buried: 23-07-1942, Nt Suburbs. Ada: Father Theodore, Mother Elizabeth Webb

Children:

	i	Elsie Doris Munro	b. 23-09-1903, Deniliquin,	d. 02-09-1988, buried: Nt Suburbs Crem.
	ii	Adell Elgin Munro	b. 03-04-1905, Wanganella, Deniliquin, d. 15-06-2003, Cherrybrook, buried:	18-06-2003, Nt Suburbs Crem.
12.	iii	Daphne Jean Munro	b. 30-07-1907.	
13.	iv	Finlay Theodore Munro	b. 31-07-1912.	

4. **Peter Archibald Munro** b. 28-09-1873, Palmers Oakey, m. 27-01-1912, in Blayney, **Ethel May Shumack,** b 01-08-1890, Dark Corner, d. 20-10-1971, Bathurst. Peter died 05-11-1931, RPA Camperdown, buried: 07-11-1931 Palmers Oakey. **Ethel: See Shumack Book**

Children:

14.	i	ElginMayMunro	b. 19-03-1913.	
15.	ii	Mabel(May)Munro	b. 11-06-1914.	
	iii	Lila Jean Munro	b. 12-06-1916, Palmers Oakey,	d. 22-02-1993, Bathurst. Spinster
16	iv	Clive David Munro	b. 23-05-1918.	
	v	Leonard Peter Munro	b. 03-08-1923, Palmers Oakey, m. **Phillis Brown.** Len died 27-05-20 10, Bx.	
17	vi	John(Jack)Munro	b. 15-05-1926.	
18	vii	David Munro	b. 15-05-1926.	

5. **Margareta Munro** b. 21-12-1877, Palmers Oakey, m. 28-12-1905, in Palmers Oakey, **George Parr,** b. 05-07-1878, Coolamigal, d. 02-08-1972, Forbes, buried: 04-08-1972, Eugowra. Margareta died 31-07-1952,Eugowra, buried: Eugowra. **George: See Parr Tree**

Children:

	i	Gladys Irene Parr	b. 00-00-1907, Rydal, m. 26-11-1928, in Molong, **Stanley Hardman Seed,** b. 1891, Manchester England, d. 29-07-1966, Molong, buried: Molong. Gladys died 26-10-1991, Molong, buried: 30-10-1991, Molong.
	ii	Horace Parr	b. 00-00-1908, Sunny Corner, d. 06-10-1935, Rabbit Island, buried: 08-10-1935, Brooklyn. Died after 27 years in mental hospital
19.	iii	Elizabeth Adeline Parr	b. 00-00-1911.
	iv	Stella Munro Parr	b. 00-00-1915, Sunny Corner, d. 17-11-1920, Murga, buried:18-11-1920, Reedy Creek.
	v	Patricia Rita Parr	b. 00-00-1921, d. 22-06-1947, buried: Orange.

6. **Elizabeth Sarah Munro** b. 24-04-1880, Palmers Oakey, m. 09-04-19 14, in St Stephens Bathurst, **Clement Reymour Mead,** b. 25-10-1880, Yass, d. 23-05-1944, 11 Boronia St Granville, buried: 24-05-1944, Rookwood. Elizabeth died 12-07-1930, 11 Boronia St Granville, buried:14-07-1930, Rookwood. Clement: Son of James Mead & Alice Hodgson

Children:

	i	David Dewar Mead	b. 26-11-1915, Harden,	d. 22-03-1958, Avoca Beach.
	ii	James Clement Mead	b. 21-12-1916, Burwood, m. 1941, in Granville, **Lorraine May Slender,** b. 1918. James died 18-02-1942, Concord West Hospital, buried: 20-02-1942, Rookwood Crem.	
	iii	Neville Gordon Mead	b. 22-12-1921,	d. 06-05-1974.

7. **Robert Charles Munro** b. 10-11-1882, Palmers Oakey, m. (1) 20-04-1910, in Blayney, **Ethel Trubody**, b. 24-08-1882, Wallsend, d. 13-08-1914, Enfield, buried: 14-08-1914, Rookwood, m. (2) 09-02-1918, in Phillip St Sydney, **Ethel Emily Huntley Bendall**, b. 1881, Rockville Conn. USA, d. 12-04-1944, Croydon, buried: 13-04-1944, Rookwood Crem., m. (3) 28-01-1947, **Emily Nancarrow,** b. 1907, Chatswood, (daughter of Richard Merryfield Nancarrow and Emily Bromley) d. 1998. Robert died 06-02-1952, Enfield. Ethel: Daughter of Charles Trubody & Anne Owen. Ethel: Daughter of William Bendall & Amelia Fluke

Children by Ethel Trubody:

20.	i	Charles Errol Dewar Munro	b. 02-12-19 10.
	ii	Gwendoline Jean Munro	b. 17-08-1913, Sydney, m. 00-00-1937, **Raymond Oswald Drew,** buried: Nt Suburbs Crem. Gwendoline died 13-05-2002, Chatswood, buried: 16-05-2002, Nt Suburbs Crem.

8. **Martha Helen Munro** b. 14-01-1885, Palmers Oakey, m. 24-04-1912, in St Stephens Bathurst, **Aiden Thomas Shumack,** b. 03-08-1888, Bathurst, d. 01-02-1944, Bathurst, buried: 02-02-1944, Bathurst. Martha died 10-04-1953, St Vincents Bathurst, buried: 11-04-1953, Bathurst. **Aiden: See Shumack Book**

Children:

21.	i	Mary ThelmaShumack	b. 04-10-1913.
22.	ii	Catherine Marjorie Shumack	b. 11-09-1917.
	iii	Lorna Evelyn Shumack	b. 1921, Bathurst, d. 00-04-1921, Kelso, buried: 08-04-1921, Dark Corner.
23.	iv	Carl Edwin Shumack	b. 03-05-1927.

9. **Ethel Elgin Munro** b. 30-10-1889, Palmers Oakey, m. 15-05-1918, in Bathurst, **Reginald Nancarrow,** b. 10-07-1891, (son of Richard Merryfield Nancarrow and Emily Bromley). Ethel died 10-01-1947, Kelso, buried: 11-01 -1947, Bathurst.

Children:

	i	TrevorNancarrow	b. 00-00-1919,	d. 1919.
24	ii	Leonard Nancarrow	b. 22-03-1920.	
25.	iii	Mary Elgin Nancarrow	b. 19-10-1922.	
26.	iv	Raymond Nancarrow	b. 03-10-1923.	
	v	Reginald Nancarrow.		
27.	vi	Victor Nancarrow.		
28.	vii	Mervyn Nancarrow	b. 12-03-1929.	
29.	viii	Jean Nancarrow	b. 02-08-1930.	
30.	ix	Elizabeth Merle Nancarrow	b. 14-07-1933.	

Third Generation

10. **Ivor Wingfield Stanford** b. 26-04-1899, Stuart Town, m. 19-12-1927, **Irene Adelaide Warburton,** b. 09-03-1895,Carrathool, d. 03-12-1962, Bexley. Ivor died 29-05-1952, Bexley.

Children.

	i	James Warburton Stanford	b. 01-01-1929, Rockdale,	d. 27-09-1994, Newcastle.

11. **Erroll Garnet Stanford** b. 12-09-1901, Stuart Town, m. 08-12-1934, in Chatswood, **Florence Mary Cameron,** b. 03-10-1907, Footscray Vic. Erroll died 29-07-1966, buried: Nt Suburbs Crem.

Children:

	i	Judith Anne Stanford	b. 19-07-1935.
	ii	Frances Noreen Stanford	b. 12-06-1940.

12. **Daphne Jean Munro** b. 30-07-1907, Deniliquin, m. 26-10-1935, in Hornsby, **John Lancer Smith.** Daphne died 00-00-1995. John: Father Herbert, Mother Ellen Davis

Children:

31.	i	Michael John Smith	b. 13-02-1938.
32.	ii	Jennifer Jeanie Smith	b. 12-12-1939.
33.	iii	Roslyn Adell Smith	b. 02-06-1943.
34.	iv	Geoffery McDonald Smith	b. 07-07-1945

13. **Finlay Theodore Munro** b. 31-07-1912, Deniliquin, m. 02-01-1943, in Hornsby, **Ellen Mary Howe**, d. 00-11-2000, Annandale. Finlay died 00-00-1985, Albury.

Children:

	i	Lesley Elwyn Munro	b. 04-02-1945.
35.	ii	Richard Finlay Munro	b. 18-11-1947.
36.	iii	lan Lindsay Munro	b. 28-11-1951.
37.	iv	Margaret Lynne Munro	b. 12-11-1953.

14. **Elgin May Munro** b. 19-03-1913, m. 1934, in Bathurst, **James H Nancarrow,** b. 1908, Bathurst, (son of Richard Merryfield Nancarrow and Emily Bromley) occupation Beekeeper, d.-1990. Elgin died 09-11-1981.

Children:

38.	i	Fay Nancarrow	b.00-00-1935.
	ii	Owen Nancarrow	b.00-00-1937.

15. **Mabel (May) Munro** b. 11-06-1914, Palmers Oakey, m. 1937, in Bathurst, **Arthur Frederick Austin.** Mabel died 10-09-2004, Bathurst, buried: 15-09-2004, Cremated.

Children:

40.	i	Peter David Austin	b. 25-12-1939.
41.	ii	Kevin Austin	b. 00-00-1943.

16. **Clive David Munro** b. 23-05-1918, Palmers Oakey , m. 30-08-1947, in Bathurst, **June Elaine Hopper,** b. 27-06-1927, (daughter of Frank S Hopper and Dorothy E Hohnen). Clive died 18-08-2007, Bathurst, buried: 22-08-2007, Bathurst.

Children:

42.	i	Francis June Munro	b. 29-11-1948.
43.	ii	Geoffrey Clive Munro	b. 13-11-1951.

17. **John (Jack) Munro** b. 15-05-1926, Portland, occupation Builder/Farmer, m. 1949, in Bathurst, **Winifred Joyce Hawkins,** b. 00-00-1929. John died 09-04-2009, Bathurst, buried: 14-04-2009, Bathurst.

Children:

44.	i	Ian Munro	b. 00-00-1951.
45.	ii	Robyn Gai Munro	b. 00-00-1953.
	iii	Ross Munro	b. 05-05-1955, Bathurst.

18. **David Munro** b. 15-05-1926, Portland, m. 00-00-1953, in Bathurst, **Jeanette Duncan**, b. 1932. David died 2001, Bathurst.

Children:

46.	i	Brian David Munro	b. 00-00-1955.
47.	ii	Garry Douglas Munro	b. 00-00-1958.

19. **Elizabeth Adeline Parr** b. 1911, Sunny Corner, m. **Al Sanderson**.

Children:

	i	Peter Sanderson.	

20. **Charles Errol Dewar Munro** b. 02-12-1910, Blayney, m. 11-07-1936, **Florence Ella Roberts**, b. 14-01-1908, d. 08-12-1978, buried: Singleton. Charles died 16-11-1992, buried: Crem. Singleton.

Children:

	i	Vanessa Roberts Munro	b. 03-11-1938.
	ii	Enid Merrilyn Diana Munro	b. 23-03-1942.

21. **Mary Thelma Shumack** b. 04-10-1913, Bathurst, m. 25-11-1944, in Orange, **Michael Martin Eric Maloney**, b. 03-05-1917, Armatree, d. 04-03-1971, Camperdown Hospital, buried: 06-03-1971, Bathurst.

Children:

48.	i	William Terence Maloney	b. 16-09-1945.
49.	ii	Gary Richard Maloney	b. 04-12-1946.
50.	iii	Nolene Marilyn Maloney	b. 12-05-1949.

22. **Catherine Marjorie Shumack** b. 11-09-1917, Bathurst, m. 00-03-1946, in St Stephens Bathurst, **George Haldane Blues**, d. 20-05-1979, Concord Repat. Hospital.

Children:

	i	Helen Margaret Blues	b.18-01-1947,	m. **Ken Oliver**.
	. ii	Marjorie Anne Blues	b. 26-03-1949.	
	iii	David George Blues	b. 24-02-1953,	m. **Catherine Margot Hunt.**

23. **Carl Edwin Shumack** b. 03-05-1927, Bathurst, m. 04-01-1958, in Kelso, **Jean Emily Barnes,** b. 03-07-1929.

Children:

	i	Geoffrey Shumack	b. 30-03-1964, Bathurst.
	ii	Donna Shumack	b. 26-01-1967.

24. **Leonard Nancarrow** b. 22-03-1920, m. 1945, in Bathurst, **Ada Agnes Stark,** b. 1909, Petersham, (daughter of Oswald Stark and Florence Ethel West). Leonard died 26-06-1998, Bathurst.

Children:

	i	Darrell Nancarrow	b. 12-09-1947.

25. **Mary Elgin Nancarrow** b. 19-10-1922, m. 1939, in Bathurst, **Oswald George Stark,** b. 22-06-1913, Rockdale, (son of Oswald Stark and Florence Ethel West). Mary died 31-08-2003, Bathurst, buried: 04-09-2003,

Children:

	i	Janet Ethel Stark	b. 00-06-1940,	m.	**? Moore.**
	ii	Delma Judith Stark.			
	iii	Elizabeth Mary Stark.			
	iv	Grahem Reginald Stark	b. 18-01-1950.		
52.	v	Richard John Stark	b. 00-05-1955.		
	vi	Paul Oswald Stark	b. 01-09-1957.		

26. **Raymond Nancarrow** b. 03-10-1923 , m. **Beryl Kearston.**

Children:

	i	Yvoone Nancarrow.
	ii	Morris Nancarrow.

27. **Victor Nancarrow** m. **Leonie Musgrave.**

Children:

	i	David Nancarrow.
	ii	Alison Nancarrow.

28. **Mervyn Nancarrow** b. 12-03-1929, m. **Heather Browne**.
Children:

i Phillip Nancarrow.
ii Julie Ann Nancarrow.
iii Christina Nancarrow.
iv James Nancarrow.

29. **Jean Nancarrow** b. 02-08-1930, m. **Victor Farrell**.
Children:

i Maureen Farrell.
ii Beverley Farrell.
iii Lynn Farrell.

30. **Elizabeth Merle Nancarrow** b. 14-07-1933, m. **Harold Kneale.** Elizabeth died 01-10-2004, Bathurst, buried: Orange Crem.
Children:

i	Robert Kneale	b. 07-04-1956.
ii	DavidKneale	b. 13-06-1957.
iii	Catherine Kneale	b. 11-11-1963.

Fourth Generation

31. **Michael John Smith** b. 13-02-1938, m. 12-01-1963, **Mary Belle Elizabeth Hicks**.
Children:

i	David John Smith	b. 20-10-1966,	m. **Cathy Ann Ballantyne.**
ii	Matthew James Smith	b. 11-10-1968,	m. 18-11-1989, **Raelee Matthews**.
iii	Angus Charles Smith	b. 20-07-1970,	d. 20-07-1970.
iv	Helen Smith	b. 01-12-1975.	

32. **Jennifer Jeanie Smith** b. 12-12-1939, m. **Reinholdt Schmidt.**
Children:

i	Alexander Elgin Schmidt	b. 30-07-1971.
ii	Jonathon Marc Schmidt	b. 04-09-1973.
iii	Gregory Rohan Schmidt	b. 26-05-1978.

33. **Roslyn Adell Smith** b. 02-06-1943, m. 11-12-1965 **James Saville.**
Children:

i	Andrew James Saville	b. 20-01-1970.
ii	Peter Fergus Saville	b. 01-06-1973.
iii	Ian Dougal Saville	b. 12-05-1981.
iv	Allison Adell Saville	b. 04-12-1986.

34. **Geoffery McDonald Smith** b. 07-07-1945, m. 09-01-1971, **Kathleen Lynette Kempton.**
Children.'

i	Kelly Maree Smith	b. 25-03-1976.
ii	Mark McDonald Smith	b. 20-02-1978.

35. **Richard Finlay Munro** b. 18-11-1947, m. 30-08-1969, **Clare Tannock.**
Children.'

i	Scott Finlay Munro	b. 29-03-1970.
ii	Paul Richard Munro	b. 01-08-1972.
iii	Julia Clare Munro	b. 29-12-1976.
iv	Anna Garland Munro.	

36. **Ian Lindsay Munro** b. 28-11-195 1, m. **Linda Frazer.**
Children:

i	Christopher Ian Munro	b. 12-10-1973.
ii	Fiona Brooke Munro	b. 09-07-1977.
iii	Heather Leanne Munro	b. 20-12-1986.
iv	Mark Lindsay Munro	b. 13-07-1989.

37. **Margaret Lynne Munro** b. 12-11-1953, m. 15-01-1977, **Anthony Graham Lynch**.
Children:

i	Andrew Stephen Lynch	b. 07-02-1979.
ii	David Nicholas Lynch	b. 29-10-1981.
iii	Catryn Narelle Lynch	b. 11-02-1986.

38. **Fay Nancarrow** b. 00-00-1935, m. 1956, in Bathurst, **Peter Boyd**, b. 1929.
Children:

53.	i	DariceBoyd	b. 00-00-1961.
	ii	Jason Boyd	b. 00-00-1964, Adopted.

39. **Owen Nancarrow** b. 00-00-1937, m. **Patricia Philomene Lane**, b. 1943.
Children:

i	Kelly Ann Nancarrow	b. 00-00-1971.
ii	Cindy Jane Nancarrow	b. 00-00-1973.
iii	Angela Fay Nancarrow	b. 00-00-1976.

40. **Peter David Austin** b. 25-12-1939, Bathurst, m. 1962, in Bathurst, **Peggy May Aberley,** b.1939, Peter d 25-02-1994.
Children:

i	Scott Anthony Austin	b. 00-00-1966.
ii	Brett Andrew Austin	b. 00-00-1969.
iii	Nicole Monique Austin	b. 00-00-1970.

41. **Kevin Austin** b. 00-00-1943, Bathurst, m 1981, in Perth WA, **Carol Ann Lewis,** b. 1956.
Children:

i	Kylie Ann Austin	b. 00-00-1982, Auburn.
ii	Kirsty Lee Austin	b. 00-00-1985, Bathurst.

42. **Francis June Munro** b. 29-11-1948, m. 15-08-1970, in Bathurst, **Jeffrey William McSpedden,** b. 05-03-1950.
Children:

i	Donna Frances McSpedden	b. 09-01-1974, m. 26-04-1997, **Michael Robert Weston**.
ii	Michelle Julie McSpedden	b. 28-12-1975, m. 03-01-1998, **Geoffrey David Keogh**.
iii	Kim Margaret McSpedden	b. 24-09-1978.
iv	Ross William McSpedden	b. 10-07-1985.

43. **Geoffrey Clive Munro** b. 13-11-1951, m. 13-03-1976, in Bathurst, **Sylvia Louise McSpedden**, b.28-03-1956.
Children:

i	Kathryne Lee Munro	b. 27-09-1976.
ii	Bruce John Munro	b. 29-12-1978, d. 29-12-1978.
iii	Olivia Louise Munro	b. 16-03-1981.

44. **Ian Munro** b. 1951, Bathurst, m. 1970, in Bathurst, **Deanne Hilliard**, b. -1950, Canada.
Children:

i	Scott Munro	b. 00-00-1974, Seymour Vic.
ii	Stuart Munro	b. 00-00-1975, Ballarat Vic.
iii	Paul Munro	b. 00-00-1979, Melbourne.
iv	Jessica Louise Munro	b. 00-00-1981, Melbourne.
v	Casey Munro	b. 00-00-1985, Melbourne.

45. **Robyn Gai Munro** b. 1953, Bathurst, m. 1986, in Balmain, **Michael William Jones**, b. 1953.
Children:

i	Allison Elizabeth Jones	b. 00-00-1988, Sydney.
ii	Kathryn Louise Jones	b. 00-00-1990, Sydney.

46. **Brian David Munro** b. 1955, Bathurst, m. 1980, in Bathurst, **Katherine Frances Stocks,** b. 1956.
Children:

i	Brock Christopher Munro	b. 00-00-1983, Bathurst.

47. **Garry Douglas Munro** b. 1958, Bathurst, m. 1980, in Bathurst, **Alison Gail Shanks**, b. 1955.
Children:

i	Cameron Scott Munro	b. 00-00-1986, Bathurst.
ii	Taryn Louise Munro	b. 00-00-1988, Bathurst.

48. **William Terence Maloney** b. 16-09-1945, m. (1) **Lyndal Watson,** m. (2) 20-01-1990, **Brenda Townsend**.
Children by Lyndal Watson:

i	Kathryn Maloney	b. 08-03-1973.

49. **Gary Richard Maloney** b. 04-12-1946, Bathurst, m. **Una Quinn**, b. Ireland.
Children:

i	Vaughn Rainer Maloney	b. 05-09-1976.
ii	Kyle Rowan Maloney	b. 25-01-1979.

50. **Nolene Marilyn Maloney** b. 12-05-1949, m. 29-04-1978, **John Woolcott.**
Children:

i	Trenton Michael Woolcott	b. 04-06-1979.
ii	Sophia Louise Woolcott	b. 18-09-1981.
iii	Norrie Edwin Woolcott	b. 28-04-1983.

51. **Marjorie Anne Blues** b. 26-03-1949, m. **George William Fletcher.**
Children:

i	Rowena Kelly Fletcher	b. 00-00-1977.
ii	Belinda Louise Fletcher	b. 00-00-1978.
iii	Penelope Helen Fletcher	b. 00-00-1980.

52. **Richard John Stark** b. 00-05-1955, m. **Gail Bennett.**
Children:

i	Benjamin Stark.	

Fifth Generation

53. **Dance Boyd** b. 1961, Adopted, m. 1979, in Bathurst, **Garry William Ryan,** b. 1958.
Children:

i	Alissa Elgin Ryan	b. 00-00-1980.
ii	Jeremy William Ryan	b. 00-00-1982.
iii	Bradley Adam Ryan	b. 00-00-1986.
iv	Ellie Kate Ryan	



Mary, nee McKinnon, Finlay. ? ? Robert. ? ? Janet McKinnon nee Ferguson. Ethel. Turkey. ? ? Peter. ? ? David Dewar.



Mr & Mrs D D Munro



Mr & Mrs Peter Munro

O'FARRELL

This is a list of the 0'Farrells as they appear in The History of Palmers Oakey

00-00-1866 Jerimah O'Farrell born
00-00-1870 Catherine O'Farrell born
00-00-1871 John O'Farrell born

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

No.	Child	Age	Religion	Charge	Parent	Address	Occupation	Class	Date left & reason
25-1-75	Catherine O'Farrell	5	RC -	/6	Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Farmer	1st 1/75	4-4-76Scarlet Fever
20-10-76	Jermiah O'Farrell	10	RC		Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd 10/76	
16-10-76	Catherine O'Farrell	7	RC		Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 10/76	
23-3-77	John O'Farrell	6	RC		Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 7/77	
6-7-77	John O'Farrell	6	RC		Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 7/77	
26-3-78	Jeremiah O'Farrell	11	RC	/6	Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd 3/78	Finished
26-3-78	John O'Farrell	7	RC	/6	Edward O'Farrell	Palmers Oakey	Miner	1st 3/78	
?-5-81	Edward O'Farrell	6	RC	/3	E O'Farrell	Upper Turon	Miner	1st 5/81	
26-1-85	Ellen O'Farrell	12	RC	-/3	E O'Farrell	Upper Turon	Miner	Ist-1/85	

09-01-1886 Special common meeting held to elect trustees for ensuing 3 years. John Joseph Martin, by J Dunkel and E Phillips. Alexander McIntyre by J Martin and M McDonnell. John Thomas Franks by J Martin and George McLeod. William Tacke by F H Buckerfield and G Simpson. Michael McDonnell by **E O'Farrell** and W Simpson. J J Martin was chairman.

23-12-1886 Common meeting held to consider applications for Common Rights and to elect a Trustee in place of Alex McIntyre deceased. Thomas Lynch by **E 0'Farrell** and G McLeod. J J Martin chairman.

30-12-1887 An advertised public meeting was held at Palmers Oakey Creek at Charles Franks to revise the Commoners Roll of the Palmers Oakey Common. Resolved to strike off Roll the names of Joseph Browning and William Lewis. Resolved to grant common rights to Henry Theobald Jnr., James Lynch and **John O'Farrell** resident miners of Upper Turon and Palmers Oakey Creek respectively. John J Martin Chairman, J Dunkel Sec.

12-01-1889 Public meeting held according to advertisement to elect trustees for the common for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentlemen were elected. Manuel Lewis proposed by Patrick Lynch, seconded by James J Martin. Thomas Lynch proposed by J Dunkel, seconded by Manuel Lewis. John J Martin proposed by James Martin, seconded by

J Dunkel. John Thomas Franks proposed by **Jeremiah O'Farrell,** seconded by John McDonnell. Jacob Dunkel proposed by James Lynch, seconded by F H Buckertield. John Joseph Martin chairman. J Dunkel Sec..

24-12-1891 A Advertised public meeting was hold at Jacob Dunkels place at Palmers Oakey on the 24 day of Dec. at 6 PM fore (sic) the revision of the common roll of the Palmers Oakey temp. common when the following names were struck off the Roll. Peter McKinnon and W Kennedy and two applications fore (sic) common rights were granted. Namely Martha Franks, **Edward O'Farrell.** Jacob Dunkel Chairman & Sec.

09--01-1892 An Advertised Public Meeting held at Jacob Dunkels to elect Trustees for Palmers Oakey Common for ensuing 3 years. 1 J Dunkel, proposed by Thomas Lynch seconded George McLeod. 2 John Alexander McKinnon proposed by David Munro seconded George McLeod. 3 William Lewis proposed by Edward 0'Farrell seconded J Dunkel. 4 Francis Henry Buckerfield proposed by Henry Theobald seconded William Lewis. 5 Daniel Hopkins proposed by **Jerimiah O'Farrell** seconded Henry Theobald. J Dunkel chairman of meeting.

25-11-1893 Common trustees meeting , it was resolved to cancel the Common Rights of the undermentioned. John J Martin, James J Martin, **E O'Farrell, J O'Farrell, John O'Farrell, E J O'Farrell,** Patrick M Lynch, John McDonnell Henry Theobald, Peter Theobald, and Henry Theobald Jnr. Notices were sent to the before mentioned commoners to inform them that their common common rights would be cancelled at the next revision of the commoners roll of the Palmers Oakey Common. Also instructions were given to the sec. to issue notices that all stock had to be given in to the sec on or before 23-12-1893 with brands and descriptions, also 1/- per head for all stock over 6mts. J Dunkel chairman.

23-12-1893 An advertised public meeting held at J Dunkels for the revision of the Palmers Oakey Common Roll when the following rights wore cancelled. Patrick M Lynch , common right extended for 6mts and after 30-6-94 non resident common right to be cancelled. John J Martin, James J Martin, **E O'Farrell, John O'Farrell, E J O'Farrell,**
Jere O'Farrell, H Theobald Jnr, H Theobald Snr, Peter Theobald,. The above common rights ware cancelled for non resident. After the meeting the under mentioned applications for common rights were received for having Builtt (sic) their residents on the common. **E J O'Farrell,** Henry Theobald Snr, Henry Theobald Jnr, Peter Theobald,
John Theobald, all of which were granted. J Dunkel chairman and sec.

08-01-1898 An advertised Public Meeting was held at Jacob Dunkels place on Palmers Oakey Creek to elect Trustees for the Palmers Oakey Common. The following gentlemen wore duly elected, Jacob Dunkel, **Jeremiah James O'Farrell**, Henry Theobald Jnr., Francis Newton Franks, James Hyde. J. Dunkel chairman and Sec.

19-05-1898 Public meeting at which it was decided to fence in the eastern side of the common and instructions was given to write for a surveyor to have the Eastern Boundary Line resurveryed. Common rights were granted to **John O'Farrell** resident of Palmers Oakey. J Dunkel Chairman and Sec.,

08-10-1898 An advertised public meeting was held at Palmers Oakey to elect two Trustees in the place of Jacob Dunkel and Francis N Franks who have resigned , when the following gentlemen were duly elected, Michael McDonnell proposed by Francis Hyde seconded by **John O'Farrell** carried. Peter Munro proposed D Ferguson seconded by Henry Theobald Jr. carried. Jacob Dunkel chairman of the meeting **John O'Farrell** secretary.

19-06-1899 A trustees meeting was held at **O'Farrells camp** when it was decided to call tenders for making gates for the Palmers Oakey Common. M McDonnell chairman.

01-11-1899 A Trustees meeting was held at **0'Farrells camp** Palmers Oakey when it was decided to make a watering place at D Hopkins for stock to get water. H Theobald chairman.

21-12-1901 A public meeting was held on this date at which the common roll was revised and other matters discussed, at which **E O'Farrell's** right was objected to. D D Munro chairman.

01-02-1902 A trustees meeting was hold on this date to decide whether **E O'Farrell** had any right to depasture on the common , the trustees present were , D Hopkins , John Wilkinson, D D Munro, W Smith, Proposed by D Hopkins that his right be cancelled seconded by J Wilkinson, carried 3 to 1 . W Smith resigned. D D Munro chairman.

COMMON ROLL 1899

NAME	**ADDRESS**	**GROUND FOR CLAIM**
E J 0'Farrell	Upper Turon	Resident Miner
John O'Farrell	Upper Turon	Resident Miner

I have no record when the O'Farrells left the Palmers Oakey area.
The last recorded date is the 1-11-1899 when a meeting was held at O`Farrell's camp.
It would appear that E J O'Farrell was not a resident on the common but was depasturing stock there.

COMMON RECORDS.

	NAME	**HORSES**	**CATTLE**
1882	Edward O'Farrell	8	
1883	E 0'Farrell	4	2
1884	Edward O'Farrell	3	2
1885	Edward O'Farrell	4	3
1886	Jeremiah O'Farrell	3	2
	E O'Farrell	2	2
1887	Edward O'Farrell	2	3
	Jeremiah O'Farrell	2	3
1888	Edward O'Farrell	1	3
	John O'Farrell	3	1
	Jeremiah O'Farrell	2	1
1889	John O'Farrell	3	
	Edward O'Farrell	1	3
	Jerimiah O'Farrall	2	2
1890	Jerimiah O'Farrell	2	3
	John O'Farrell	3	2
	Edward O'Farrell	1	2
1891	John J O'Farrell	3	1
	Edward O'Farrell	1	3
	Jerimiah O'Farrell	1	2
1892	John O'Farrell	3	3
	Jerimiah O'Farrell	3	7
	Edward O'Farrell	1	

1893	Jere O'Farrell	1	
	E J O'Farrell	2	8
	John O'Farrell		9
1894	E J O'Farrell		12
1895	E J O'Farrall		8
1896	E J O'Farrall		6
1897	E J O'Farrell		5
1899	E J O'Farrell	2	5
1901	E J O'Farrell	1	7
1902	E J O'Farrell	3	3

O'FARRELL

1. **Edernard O'Farrell** m. 1865, in Sofala, **Catherine Hussy.**

Children.

2.
- i Jeremiah O'Farrell b. 00-00-1866.
- ii Catherine O'Farrell b. 00-00-1869, Sofala.
- iii John O'Farrell b. 00-00-1871, Sofala.
- iv Mary O'Farrell b. 00-00-1873, Sofala.
- v Edward O'Farrell b. 00-00-1875, Sofala.
- vi Patrick O'Farrell b. 00-00-1879, Sofala.

Second Generation

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2. **Jeremiah O'Farrell** b. 1866, Sofala, m. 13-01-1894, in Ashfield, **Margaret Corlis,** b. 1865, d. 14-06-1940.Jeremiah died 1926,

Children:

- i Vincent J O'Farrell b. 00-00-1895, Sydney, m. 1919, in Portland, **Caroline M Graham.**

3.
- ii Edward C O'Farrell b. 00-00-1898.
- iii Maurice W O'Farrell b. 00-00-1900, Lithgow, d. 1901.
- iv Thomas G O'Farrell b. 00-00-1902, Lithgow, occupation Farmer , m. **Mavis Pay.**
- v Norah S O'Farrell b. 00-00-1905, Wallerawang, m. 1930, in Casino, **John J Dunne.**
- vi Mary M O'Farrell b. 00-00-1908, Lithgow, d. 23-05-1913, buried: Capertee.

Third Generation

3. **Edward C O'Farrell** b. 1898, Lithgow m. (1) 1920, in Portland, **Susanah C Maxwell,** m. (2) 1937, in Portland,, **Myrtle Norma Sherden**.

Children by Susanah C Maxwell.

- i Edward E O'Farrell d. 1922, Portland.

PARR.

William Parr was born in 1811 and at Hartley in 1875 William married Elizabeth Archer born 2-4-1856 at Wattle Flat (**See Archer Tree**) At the time of her marriage Elizabeth Archer was pregnant with Caroline whose father was Richard Shumack . Later on William Parr appears to have "got even" with the Shumacks regarding Richards indiscretion, by selling up Richards widow and leaving her pennyless .
They had 5 children and the one of local interest is George born 15-7-1878 at Coolamigal who married at Palmers Oakey on the 28-12-1905 Margareta Munro (**See Munro Tree**) of Palmers Oakey.

William died in 1888 at Dark Corner and is buried there.

From the History of Palmers Oakey.

00-00-1871	William & Joseph Parr on Electoral Roll address Coolamigal
00-00-1875	William Parr on Palmers Oakey post office list as Squatter of Coolamigal
00-00-1884	Stockowners returns show William Parr as having 5351 acres, 2 horses & 780 sheep
05-03-1891	From the Bathurst Daily Times; "An old resident named Samuel Parr well known about the Sunny Corner, Palmers Oakey and the Turon has been found dead in a shaft on the Turon River. He was supposed to have been dead a week when his body was discovered. Deceased had resided in that area for over 50 years and was regarded as an intelligent but some what eccentric man, never remaining more than 2 or 3 days in the one place. His occupation being that of a gold digger and it is presumed that being a very old man he had tumbled into the shaft and died." (*I don't know if he was related to William)*
00-00-1904	E Parr received a letter at Palmers Oakey post office
27-01-1905	George Parr acted as undertaker at Alice Smiths (nee Ferguson) funeral at Palmers Oakey
00-00-1906	Electoral roll Ernest Parr, Palmers Oakey labourer. Margaret Parr Palmers Oakey DD

The first hill going south from the road crossing on the Coolamigal Creek is still known as Parrs Hill.

PARR

1. **William Parr** b. 1811, m. 1875, in Hartley, **Elizabeth Archer,** b. 02-04-1856, Wattle Flat, d. 18-10-1934, Dark Corner, buried: Dark Corner. William died 1888, Dark Corner Elizabeth: After Williams death she married Robert McLeonard Smith of Coolamigal, on the 24-07-1889. **See Smith Tree.** **Elizabeth see Archer Tree..**

Children:

- i Caroline Sarah Parr (Shumack) b. 07-02-1875. Caroline lived at Forbes & used name Parr, she did not marry.
- ii William Parr b. 00-00-1876, d. 19-01-1878, Dark Corner, buried: Dark Corner.

2.
- iii George Parr b. 15-07-1878.
- iv William Parr b. 00-00-1880, Bathurst, d. 02-10-1880.
- v Ernest Edwin Parr b. 00-00-1883, East Macquarie. Went to live in Tambo Queensland.

Second Generation

2. **George Parr** b. 15-07-1878, Coolamigal, m. 28-12-1905, in Palmers Oakey, **Margareta Munro,** b. 21-12-1877, Palmers Oakey,d. 31-07-1952, Eugowra, buried: Eugowra. George died 02-08-1972, Forbes, buried: 04-08-1972, Eugowra **Margareta: See Munro Tree.**

Children:

i	Gladys Irene Parr b.	1907, Rydal, m. 26-11-1928, in Molong, **Stanley Hardman Seed**, b. 1891, Manchester England, d. 29-07-1966, Molong, buried: Molong. Gladys died 26-10-1991, Molong, buried: 30-10-1991, Molong.
ii	Horace Raymond Parr	b. 00-00-1908, Sunny Corner, d. 06-10-1935, Rabbit Island, buried: 08-10-1935, Brooklyn. Died after 27 years in mental hospital
iii	Elizabeth Adeline Parr	b. 25-04-1911.
iv	Stella Munro Parr	b. 1915, l3athurst, d. 17-11-1920, Murga, buried: 18-11-1920, Reedy Creek.
v	Patricia Rita Parr	b. 00-00-1921, d. 22-06-1947, buried: Orange.

Third Generation

3. Elizabeth Adeline Parr b. 25-04-1911, Sunny Corner, m. **Al Sanderson**. Elizabeth died 19-05-2005, Queensland.

Children:

i Peter Sanderson.

PHILLIPS

As far as I can find John & Margaret Phillips had five children,

William J Phillips	1853	Sydney	
Edward J Phillips	1857	Concord	
Alice M Phillips	1860	Sofala	
Sidney A	1863	Sofala	
Ada Elanor Phillips	1866	Sofala died 19-12-1870	Palmers Oakey buried Palmers Oakey

From the History of Palmers Oakey.

18-06-1870 John Myles born at Palmers Oakey, nurse was **Mrs Phillips**

01-05-1874 While William Kensett was appointed it was Mrs Kensett who later wrote a letter of resignation, stating that she had been transferred from the Upper Turon school, in her letter of resignation she recommended **Mrs. Margaret Phillips** for the position of Post Mistress.

This caused a problem for the Postal Department as it was policy not to appoint married women, but to appoint their husband to the position with their wives as assistants. However **Mrs Phillips** informed the Department that her husband "was of unsound mind" and could not sign any papers. It is not clear how the Department got around this problem but **Mrs Phillips** was appointed Post Mistress. Her sureties were Duncan Ferguson Palmers Oakey Grazier and George McLeod Palmers Oakey Miner.

21-02-1878. As the assistants were not engaged by the Department there are no details available of the dates they commenced duty at the office. The declaration referred to was one similar to that taken today by postal employees that they will respect the secrecy and confidentiality of any message which may come to their attention in the course of their duties.

11.3.1886 Mrs Phillips requested permission to relocate the Post Office to the school as her daughter had just been appointed as teacher. This was done as there was no objection..
After some years **Mrs Phillips** wrote a resignation letter as she wished to retire and leave the district and recommended Mrs. Mary Hyde as her replacement. The recommendation was followed and Mrs. Mary Hyde was appointed Post Mistress on 28.2.1905 with the Post Office relocated to new premises stated to be on the mail route about 1½ miles nearer Sofala than the previous Post Office. At about this time the salary went to 11 pounds 10 shillings.
The following assistants were employed at the office, Elizabeth Scott 17-12-1872. Alfd Francis Kensett 24-04-1874, and **Alice Phillips**

Records of **John Phillips** ceased in 1874 when his wife stated "he was of unsound mind", this may have been as a **John Phillips** died Bathurst 1873,

21-01-1878 Mrs Margaret Phillips post mistress at Upper Turon

21-02-1878 Alice Phillips assistant at Upper Turon Post Office

03-01-1881 Special Common Meeting. Moved **William Phillips** seconded Redmound Bellparraud to send notices to G Steel, D Ferguson, G McLeod to keep sheep off ground annexed to common, also post notices for public meeting on 11.01-1881 Jacob Dunkel. Sec.

20-05-1882 Special common meeting to elect two trustees to common as **W Phillips** and G Bower resigned. Elected were David Deware Munro and John McCarthy.

28-08-1884 **Alice Phillips** appointed School Teacher at Palmers Oakey.

20-01-1886 Palmers Oakey and Upper Turon schools half time, sharing the teacher **Alice Phillips** till 1904

UPPER TURON SCHOOL RECORDS

DATE	NAME	AGE	REL	PARENT	OF	OCCU	CLASS	REASON LEAVING
18-10-75	Alice Phillips	15	CE /9	Edward Phillips	Palmers Oakey	?? maker	3rd- 1 /75	22-3-76, Wanted at Home
10-7-76	Sidney Phillips	13	EC	Edward Phillips	Palmers Oakey	Miner	2nd- 7/76	
8-4-78	Sydney Phillips	14	E 1/-	Margaret Phillips	Palmers Oakey	Post Mistr	2nd 4/78	Finished Dec 78
?-5-81	Sydney Scott	5	EC /3	Mrs Phillips	UpperTuron	Postmistres	1st 5/81	Left district

PALMERS OAKEY COMMON RECORDS.

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1880	Sydney Phillips	2	
	E Phillips	3	9
	William Phillips	2	
1881	Alice M Phillips	1	
	William Phillips	2	7
	Edward Phillips	3	6
1882	Edward Phillips	3	5
	William Phillip	2	5
1883	E Phillips	2	5
	Edward Phillips	1	3
	Alice Phillips	`	1
1888	A Phillips		1
	M Phillips		3
1889	M Phillips		3
	A Phillips		1
1890	Mrs A Phillips		4
1891	Alice Phillips		1
	M Phillips		4
1892	M Phillips		9
	Alice Phillips		9
	Mrs A Phillips	1	12
1894	Alice Phillips		1
	M Phillips		14
1895	Alice Phillips		1
	M Phillips		14
1896	Miss A Phillips		5
	A M Phillips		1
1897	Miss A Phillips		12
	A M Phillips	1	
1898	A M Phillips	1	9
1899	A M Phillips		9
1901`	Miss A Phillips	1	
	M Phillips		5
1902	Miss A Phillips	1	
	Mrs M Phillips		5

1901 roll Alice Phillips Teacher Mrs M Phillips Resident

SCOTT. (Upper Turon)

John Scott & Elizabeth Casey were married in Sofala in 1869.
Children were

1871	Rose Hanna	Sofala
1874	Florence Beatrice	Sofala
1876	Sydney Richard W	Sofala

From the History of Palmers Oakey

00-00-1859	W W Millett held licence for the "Diggers Home", and **John Scott** held the licence for the "Royal Hotel" at Palmers Oaky Creek
01-01-1868	**John Scott** of Palmers Oakey commenced the mail run from Mitchells Creek for £35 /a John Scott held the licence for the "Royal Hotel" at Palmers Oakey
27-11-1872	**John Scott** Post Master at Upper Turon. Sureties Julius Wannick storekeeper at Palmers Oakey and John Anderson storekeeper at Palmers Oakey.
07-12-1872	**Elizabeth Scott** assistant at Upper Turon Post Office. At the same time the Department questioned the name Palmer's Oakey Junction and decided to call the new Post Office Upper Turon, noting that there was a Post Office called Lower Turon nearer to Sofala.
08.4.1874	**John Scott** wrote a letter of resignation on 8.4.1874 and William Kensett was appointed Post Master Upper Turon on 1.5.1874. His sureties were **John Scott** Hotelkeeper Sofala and Julius Wannick Storekeeper Upper Turon.
01-05-1874	William Kensett (school teacher) was appointed postmaster at Upper Turon, his sureties were; **John Scott** hotel keeper and Julius Wannick storekeeper Upper Turon.
May 1881	Upper Turon School records show **Sydney Richard Scott** as attending, and the parent or guardian Mrs Phillips the Postmistress and he was leaving the district.

SCOTT (Dark Corner)

The Scotts lived in the Dark Corner area and owned and leased a lot of country.
As they lived on the edge of Palmers Oakey, there was a lot of interaction ,
Tom Scott and family moved to the top of the valley during the early 1900's The block is still known as" Scotts Warrie". Their daughter was governess at "Warrie" in the late 1920's

From the History of Palmers Oakey,

08-11-1922 A fatal burning accident occurred at Palmer's Oakey on Wednesday morning, the victim being **Mrs. Thomas Scott**, well known throughout the district. She is reported to have taken a fit and fallen into a fire. When pulled out by her children she was in a sad state. She was hurried to Portland Hospital, but her condition was hopeless, and death occurred three hours after admission. She leaves a husband and six children. (Lithgow Paper)

*Col Wilkinson told me the policeman from Sunny Corner (Sgt Wright) took her to Portland hospital in his car. As they went through Sunny Corner her husband Tom was on horseback galloping alongside cursing Sgt Wright to go faster. It must have been a slow trip as the Scott home was near the hairpin bend on the Dark Corner road and **Tom** was still with the car after all that distance. Col said it was the saddest thing he ever saw.*

Drysdale (Dry) along with Duncan Ferguson were the last of the bullock drivers in the whole area.

Thomas George was Post Master at Dark Corner from 1924 to 1947 it passed to his daughter-in-law Louise for 2 years then to a relation, Emmaline Martin.

SCOTT D C

1. **Robert Cairns Scott** b. 1834, Clackmannanshire Scotland, occupation Gold Miner, m. 23-11-1860, in Sussex St Sydney by (M.M.Campbell Esq), **Eleanor Thomas Duke,** b. 1835, Mosely Birmingham England. Robert died 11-06-1918, Dark Corner.

Children:

2.	i	Jessie Scott	b. 00-00-1862.
	ii	Robert W D Scott	b. 00-00-1864, Sunny Corner, d.-1886, Sydney Harbour. Rumoured to have been sent to jail on Goat Island for horse stealing, and drowned trying to escape
	iii	James Thomas (Tom) Scott	b. 00-00-1866.
4.	iv	Eleanor Scott	b. 16-04-1868.
5.	v	Drysdale Cairns Scott	b. 00-00-1870.
	vi	Malcolm Cairns Scott	b. 00-00-1873, Sunny Corner, d. 1943, Dark Corner.
	vii	Douglas Scott	b. 00-00-1876, Sunny Corner, d. 1876, Sunny Corner.
	viii	Edward Morris Scott	b. 00-00-1878, Sunny Corner, m. 1906, in Sunny Corner, **Maria Odgers.**

Second Generation

2. **Jessie Scott** b. 1862, Sunny Corner, m. 1888, **James Thomas Martin,** b.1863, d. 18-02-1905, Dark Corner. Jessie d 23-04-1935.

Children:

	i	James (Jim) Martin	b.00-00-1887, m. 1909, in Cobar, **Beatrice Titus**. Beatrice: Cousin to Emmaline , they had 7 children
6.	ii	John (Jack)Drysdale Martin	b. 00-00-1 888.
	iii	Edward Malcolm Martin	b. 00-01-1890, Dark Corner, d. 21-02-1890, Dark Corner.
7.	iv	Elsie Martin	b. 00-00-1893.

3. **James Thomas (Tom) Scott** b. -1866, Sunny Corner, m. -1907, in Glebe, **Ellen Mary Martin**, d. 07-11-1922, Portland.
Ellen: Fell in fire at home, police took her to Portland hospital, died soon after. **Ellen See Martin Tree**

Children:

	i	John T Scott	b. 00-00-1911, Sunny Corner.
	ii	Edward (Ned) M Scott	b. 00-00-1915, Bathurst, m. 1941, in Bathurst, **Ada Cunynghame.**
	iii	William.	
	iv	Eileen Alice Mary.	1928 was governess at "Warrie" Palmers Oakey

4. **Eleanor Scott** b. 16-04-1868, Sunny Corner, m. 03-01-1888, in Forbes, **George McKay**, b. 1864, d. 1937. Eleanor d 1944, Sydney, buried:, Forbes.

Children:

	i	Ethel McKay	b. 00-00-1887, m. **James W Hand**. Ethel died 1941.
	ii	Elsie May McKay	b. 00-00-1888, Forbes, m. **Thomas R Jones.** Elsie died 1929.
	iii	George Edward McKay	b. 00-00-1891, Forbes, m. **Elizabeth F Blume.** George died 1958.
	iv	Clarence McKay	b. 00-00-1892, Forbes, m. **Alice Acret,** d. 1974. Clarence died 1962.
	v	Robert McKay	b. 00-00-1894, Forbes, m. **Minnie?.** Robert died 1946.
	vi	Jessie May Mc Kay	b. 00-00-1897, Forbes, m. **Arthur Rath.** Jessie died 1961.
	vii	Malcolm McKay	b. 00-00-1900, Forbes, m. **Elizabeth Victory**. Malcolm died 1954.
	viii	Aileen Eidth McKay	b. 00-00-1902, Forbes, m. **?? Sparks.** Aileen died 1955.
	ix	Ivy Alice McKay	b. 00-00-1904, Forbes, m. **William Robb,** d. 1934. Ivy died 1980.
	x	Maud Pansy McKay	b. 00-00-1908, Forbes, m. **Alfred Ellerson**.
	xi	Roy McKay	b. 00-00-1909, Forbes, m. **Lillian Field.** Roy died 1968.

3. **Drysdale Cairns Scott** b. 1870, Sunny Corner, m. **Mary Ann Shumack,** b. 29-03-1 870, d. 14-04-1 946. Drysdale died 03-12-1945, Dark Corner, buried: Dark Corner. **Mary See Shumack Book**

Children:

8.	i	Thomas George Scott	b. 30-12-1893.
9.	ii	William John Scott	b. 10-05-1895.
10.	iii	Mary Lillian Scott	b. 00-00-1897.
11.	iv	Eleanor Mary Scott	b. 00-00-1899.

Third Generation

4. **John (Jack)Drysdale Martin** b. 1888, Emmaville, m. 1931, in Annandale, **Emmaline Titus**, b. 1896, d. 08-08-1987, buried: Dark Corner. Cousin to Beatrice Titus John died 11-06-1975, Dark Corner, buried: Dark Corner.

Children:

i Edward Martin.
ii John Martin.

7. **Elsie Martin** b. 1893, Sunny Corner, m. 1911, in Bathurst, **Thomas R C H Francis.**

Children:

i Elsie L Francis b. 00-00-1911, Sunny Corner.
ii Thomas J Francis b. 00-00-1917, Sunny Corner.
iii Doris Francis.
iv Cecily Francis.
v Melva Lynda Francis m 1939, in Bathurst, **Alfred G Scott,** b. 1916, Portland, son of Thomas Scott &Victoria Kissell.

5. **Thomas George Scott** b. 30-12-1893, Dark Corner, m. 1915, in Bathurst, **Victoria Ida M Kissell.** Thomas died 13-12-1955. Post master at Dark Corner 1924 to 1947

Children:

i Alfred George Scott b. 1916, Portland, m. 1939, in Bathurst, **Melva Lynda Francis,** (daughter of Thomas Francis and Elsie Martin).
12. ii Hilton Thomas Drysdale Scott.
iii Albert Scott.
13. iv Clive Martin Scott b. 18-06-1920.
v John Scott m. 00-00-1945, in Bathurst, **Doreen Neil.**
vi Athol Scott.
vii Ida Scott m. **Albert Manard.**
viii Ronald Parks Scott m. 1940, in Portland, **Alma Jean Cobden.**

6. **William John Scott** b. 10-05-1895, Dark Corner, m. (1) 1915, in Bathurst, **Hesba M Shirlaw,** d. 1919, Bathurst, m. (2) 00-00-1930, in Katoomba, **Doris Euneta (Nita) Shute**, b. 08-05-1898, Wimbleton, (daughter of William J Shute and Isabella E Earp). William died 14-06-1963, Bathurst.

Children by Hesba M Shirlaw:

i Albert J Scott b. 00-00-1916, Bathurst.
14 .ii Cecil Lawrence Scott b. 00-00-1918

Children by Doris Euneta (Nita) Shute:

iii John Scott.
16. iv Joan Scott.

10. **Mary Lillian Scott** b. 1897, Dark Corner, m. 1924, in Bathurst, **George W Morgan.**

Children:

i Cathleen Morgan m. **John Fish.**
ii Neil Morgan.
iii John Morgan.
17. iv Rita Morgan.
v Pat Morgan.

11. **Eleanor Mary Scott** b. 1899, Dark Corner, m. 1919, in Kelso, **Herbert James Staines,** b. 1896, d. 05-08-1955, buried: Cullen Bullen. Eleanor died 10-10-1969, buried: Cullen Bullen.

Children:

i Len Staines.
ii Morris Staines.
iii Kenneth Staines.
iv Ray Staines.
v Leo Staines.
vi Irene Staines m. **Tom Boslem.**

Fourth Generation

12. **Hilton Thomas Drysdale Scott** m. 00-00-1941, in Bathurst, m **Louis Guihot.**

Children:

18. i BerylScott.
19. ii Harold Scott.
iii Maree Scott.

13. **Clive Martin Scott** b. 18-06-1920, m. 1939, in Portland, **Edna Mable Sharp**. Clive died 03-04-1998, Bathurst.

Children:

i Clive Scott.
ii Raymond Scott.
20. iii Margaret Scott.

14. **Cecil Lawrence Scott** b. -1918, Bathurst, m. 1936, in Bathurst, **Gwen Edith Eaton**. Cecil died -1939,Coonamble.

Children:

i Beverly Scott m. **Ewing.**

15. **John Scott** m. **Philipa Guinn.**

Children:

i	Stephen Scott	b. 04-01-1964.
ii	Justine Euneta Scott	b. 22-10-1966
iii	Peter Guinn Scott	b. 20-02-1969.

16. Joan Scott m. **Edward (Ted) Cutler.**

Children:

i Cheryl Cutler.
ii Gregory Cutler.
iii Bronwyn Cutler.
iv Francine Cutler.

17. Rita Morgan m. in Lithgow, **Savage.**

Children:

i Geoffery Savage.

Fifth Generation

18. Beryl Scott m. **Donald Berry.**

Children:

i Carol Berry.
ii Angus Berry.
iii Annette Berry.

19. Harold Scott m. **Diana Hewson.**

Children:

i Sandra Scott.
ii Ian Scott.
iii Annette Scott.

20. Margaret Scott m. **Raymond Bennett. Raymond: See Bennett Tree**

Children:

i Gregory Bennett.
ii Timothy Bennett.
iii Trevor Bennett.

SHUMACK

There is an excellent book byElizabeth White "A Shumack Family"

The following introduction comes from it.
I will only list those who lived in the Palmers Oakey/Dark Corner area. They come from the family of;

William Shumack and his wife **Elizabeth Doherty** who arrived in N S W on the "*Resource"* on the 22 Dec 1840 with their 2 eldest children, and William's single brothers Samuel and George.
William Shumack took up small areas of land around Lithgow and then moved to the Meadow Flat area where he died on the 28-6-1877 and is buried at Meadow Flat with his brother Samuel. In 1871 William walked from Meadow Flat to Canberra within a week and spent two months with his brothers Richard and Peter. In 1861 Samuel had made the same trip and Samuel repeated the trip in 1880. They walked both ways each time.
Children;

Richard	1837 - 8-2-1908	m Elizabeth Sinnot
Margaret	1839	m Sandy McLennan
John	1842	m Harriet Kelly
Elizabeth	1845	
William	1846	
Mary Anne	1847	
Samuel	1851	
Ann Jane	1853	
George	1855	m Elizabeth Dawson
Jane	1858	
Ellen	1860	

The ones of interest to this area are.

Richard and Elizabeth Sinnot, in the late 1860s Richard started to take up land in the Dark Corner area. He died 8-2-1908 and Elizabeth 28-8-1915, both are buried at Dark Corner cemetery.
Children;

1. John William	8-9-1863 -	12-8-1917	m Catherine Lewis
2. Aiden	13-2-1866 -	7-2-1930	m Mary Grabham
3. Mary Anne	29-3-1870 -	14-4-1946	m Drysdale Scott
4. Richard J	23-10-1875-	24-4-1932	m Helene Elizabeth Murray
5. Elizabeth	1878 -	20-4-1902	m George McLennan

1. JOHN WILLIAMS children;

Herbert 1886 - 1955	m Elsie Rowlings. >	Patricia Longworth.
Mary Louisa 1887 - 1964	m George Shaw. >	Dorothy Claridge.
Aiden 1888 - 1944	m Martha Munro. >	Thelma Maloney, Marjorie Blues, Carl.
Ethel May 1890 - 1971	m Peter Munro. >	Elgin Nancarrow, Mabel Austin, Jean, Clive, Len, Jack and Dave.
Andes Ann 1892-	m John Akers. >	Anges(Nessie)
Catherine(Kit)1894-1961	m Aiden Shumack>	Olga Thompson, Bert, Kath Regan, Patricia Sheehan, Clara Stait, Molly, Owen.
John Sinnott 1896 - 1972	m Doris Chiplin>	John, William (Bill), Betty Fry, Nancy Cusick, Dorothy Cleaver, Neil, Audery Bunker, Ian.
Clara. Jane 1899-1974	unmarried,great nursing & military career.	
Ruby Ellen 1901-	m Leslie Forrest>	Therese Macfarland, John.
Olive Lewis 1904-1972	m Marjorie Mansfield,	Elizabeth White.
Elsie Doreen 1910-1954	m WJ (Jim) Bell. >	Judith Kuit, John, Susan Sainty.

Herb held the "Cattlerun" property and passed it on to **John Sinnot (Jack)** . **Aiden** took up land in Palmers Oakey and by the 1920s they held a considerable area in partnership. **Jack** had served in WW 1 and he lived at "Springvale" Dark Corner . **Aiden** lived at "Evelorna" Palmers Oakey and Piper St Bathurst

After **Aidens** death in 1944 his son Carl took over the running of "Evelorna" , married Jean Barnes had Geoff & Donna. Thelma married Eric Maloney , had 2 boys & a girl, they took over the northern end and called it "Treloar".

Carl sold "Evelona" to Jim Bryant in 1967.

Maloneys sold 'Treloar" to Joe DiFalco in 1973.

In 1953 William (Bill) married Bobbie Kable and he took up Jacks land at Palmers Oakey, "Cattlerun" and Dunns", they lived in the hut on "Cattlerun" for some time then built a house on "Dunns" and called it "Kimberley" where they raised a family of four. Andrew, Pam, Judith and Jenny.

Bill died 11-11-2003

Taken from "The History of Palmers Oakey".

A lot of the following is from the Palmers Oakey Common Records.

11-12-1910 A public meeting was held on this date to elect Trustees for the ensuing 3 years when the following gentleman were elected :- John Thomas Bowers, Robert McKinnon, **Aiden Shumack,** Peter Munro, Duncan McKinnon. At the same meeting the balance sheet was revised and passed Duncan McKinnon chairman.

27-01-1912 Peter Munro married **Ethel May Shumack** at Blayney.
A trustees meeting was held on this date and the secretary was instructed to pay J Bower for the repairing of gate , no other business was done. **A Shumack** in chair.

13-12-1913 A public meeting was held on this date to elect a trustee in lieu of R McKinnon resigned. Charles P Ferguson was proposed by **A Shumack** seconded by J T Bower carried unamously (sic). At the same meeting the common roll was revised . **A Shumack** chairman.
A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of revising the balance sheet for the year 1913 which was passed as correct, also a trustee was elected in lieu of D McKinnon resigned. D D Munro was proposed by **A Shumack** seconded by C P Ferguson and carried and the meeting closed. **A Shumack** chairman)

06--2-1914 A trustees meeting was held on this date when Mrs Theobald was granted a commoners right and the secretary was ordered to notice Alick Theobald to remove his stock as he was not intitied (sic) commoners right and the meeting closed**.** **A Shumack** chairman.

28-03-1914 A trustees meeting was held on this date to raise the common fees as the revenue was not enough to cover the expenses , all the trustees were present. It was proposed by **A Shumack** that the fee should be 5/- per year and it was seconded by J T Bowers and carried and the meeting closed. D D Munro chairman.

12-12-1914 A public meeting was held on the above date to revise the commoners roll which was done and R McKinnon was struck off being twelve months out of the district. **A Shumack** chairman.

Some of the Registered letters from Palmers Oakey post office during 1914.

DATE	**No.**	**FROM**	**TO**	**DATE SENT**
17-10-14	116	A Shumack	Mick Simmons Sydney	17-10-14
21-10-14	117	A Shumack	A Saunders Sydney	22-10-14

16-01-1915 A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of reading the balance sheet (common trust) for the year 1914 which was found to be correct. Balance in hand £11-17-7. **A Shumack** chairman.

13-03-1915 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which it was decided to poison rabbits on the common one pound being noted for the purpose also common rights were issued to L McKinnon and Ronnie Ferguson. A Shumack chairman.

17-06-1915 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which it was decided not to elect a fifth trustee in place of D D Munro deceased until the general election of trustees in November. It was also decided to warn holders of trespassing stock that same would be impounded or action taken unless suitable means of preventing their straying were taken..
A T Shumack chairman.

13-09-1915 A quarterly meeting of trustees was held on this date but no business of importance was brought forward.
A T Shumack chairman.

06-01-1916 It was decided at a trustees meeting on this date to hold the postponed biennial trustees meeting on the 26-1-16 and called a public meeting for the purpose also it was decided to revise the common roll and present the balance sheet at the same meeting. **A T Shumack** chairman.

26-01-1916 A duly advertised public meeting was held on this date when the following trustees were elected for the ensuing 3 years , Duncan McKinnon, Duncan Ferguson, Peter Munro, Charles Ferguson, Roy Ferguson. The balance sheet for the year 1915 was also presented and passed at the meeting also the commoners roll was revised, **A T Shumack** chairman.

11-02-1916 A meeting of trustees was held on this date for the purpose of discussing the best means of poisoning rabbits. It was thought best to accept the loan of a poison cart from H A Thompson together with a quantity of mixed poison supplied at cost price also to accept the offer of D Ferguson to do the work of poisoning 2 days with one horse at a cost of £1-0-0. The advisibility (sic) of renting a bull for 2 months for common use was also discussed**. A T Shumack** chairman.

25-03-1916 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which it was decided to call tenders for filling or covering dangerous holes on the common **A T Shumack** chairman.

20-05-1916 **A Shumack** resigned as common secretary. His letter to the trust reads " Gentlemen, I have the honour to submit my resignation as Secretary to the above mentioned Common after the end of the current month and will be pleased if you will Kindly arrange a meeting of Trustees as soon as to examine and take over the Common Books & cash. I am Sirs Yours faithfully **A T Shumack** Secretary

Herbert Shumack granted license by Dept of Ag. to cut timber on common

17-03-1917 A trustees meeting was held at the above date to see what was to be done about **J Shumack** removing fence off of common. Solcitors advice obtained by C Ferguson 7/6. Moved by P Munro seconded by D Ferguson that money be paid C Ferguson. fence deferred until next meeting. P Munro chairman. (Solicitors advice stated that **Shumack** be notified to replace the wire or pay for it, and if he did not the trustees were to sue. It was pointed out that if the trustees did not have the wire replaced or sue **Shumack,** that under Section 28 the Crown would call them to account.).

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members for 1918. A Shumack, H Shumack

00-03-1919 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Ball subs. H Shumack 5/-

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

	NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
1914	A Shumack	3	
1916	A T Shumack	1	

1914	**COMMON ROLL**	A Shumack	Mrs E Shumack
1915-16	**COMMON ROLL**	A Shumack ,	Mrs A Shumack

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1919

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
30	Shumack	Aiden Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Maintainence man Sofala Rd.
31	Shumack	Herbert	M	Palmers Oakey	Grazier
32	Shumack	Martha	F	Palmers Oakey	H D

17-02-1920 A special meeting of trustees was held on the above date to confer with Stock Inspector Brett of Bathurst in the matter of certain applications for leases within the common. Present:- D Ferguson, C P Ferguson, P A Munro, D R Ferguson & Secretary. The following applications were submitted by Mr Brett:- **John S Shumack** for about half the Common on the Eastern side. It was unanimously resolved to strongly oppose the application in the interests of the commonage, it being considered that applicant already holds a living area & that a petition signed by 17 commoners was recently forwarded to Mining Warden Bathurst opposing the granting of the application ;

A trustees meeting was held on above date for the purpose of seeing what could be done to stop a lease of part of the common being taken by **J S Shumack.** Proposed by D Ferguson & seconded by P Munro that as all the trustees could not appear at the Land Board on the day of hearing 27 July 1920 one at least would try to go and an agent should be asked to appear in their place, Carried . Secretary was requested to write and ask agent and to give him all the information he needed in the matter.

COMMON ROLL for 1920 Aiden T Shumack Grazier Mrs Aiden T Shumack Domestic Duties

28-10-1926 Receipt, C P Ferguson paid £2-10-0 being his full payment for his 1/2 of 10 chains of wire fencing on Southern Side of McLeods." signed **Shumack Bros.**

00-00-1940 Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade formed:**Aiden Shumack 10-0 J Shumack 7-6**, (plus others)

00-00-1942 C Shumack joined Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade

00-00-1944 Aiden Thomas Shumack died.

00-00-1948 C Shumack paid £2-10-0 to Fire Brigade

11-04-1953 Mrs Aiden Shumack buried in Bathurst.

26-06-1953 W K (Bill) Shumack married Roberta Wilga (Bobbie) Kable, and went to live in Herb Shumacks old hut on Cattle Run.

05-02-1954 Bill & Bobbie Shumack had a son Andrew Merrick.

15-04-1955 Bill & Bobbie Shumack had a daughter Pamela Joy

Bill & Bobbie Shumack had a daughter Judith Lorraine.

00-00-1958 W Shumack elected Capt of P O Fire Brigade

00-09-1963 Bill & Bobbie Shumack had a daughter Jennifer Margaret.

00-00-1967 Carl Shumack sold “Eve Lorna” to Jim Bryant.

20-11-1967 Mrs Jack Shumack died.

13-12-1975 Andrew Shumack married Susan Lynette McKenzie (b 15.12.1954)

27-10-1977 Andrew & Susan Shumack had a son Richard Alexander.

22-11-1981 Andrew & Susan Shumack had a daughter Oliva Jane.

09-12-1983 Pamela Joy Shumack married Raymond Peter Waughman (b 04.05.1949)

00-00-1990 Bill Shumack building woolshed

05-12-1991 Bill Shumack had a heart attack and Tony Lynch took him to Bathurst Hospital.

00-04-1992 Bill Shumack had successful heart surgery in Sydney.

04-08-1994 Bill Shumack stood down as Capt of P O Fire brigade

15-07-1996 Bill Shumack rolled his car on Mt Horrible, he & Bobbie unhurt, car write-off.

15-10-1996 Bill Shumack had hernia operation

16-06-1999 Bill Shumack had operation on his eye

05-08-1999 Bill Shumack had a fall off his horse and busted his ribs.

28-08-2001 Bill Shumack presented with 50 years service award from Rural Fire Service.

11-11-2003 Bill Shumack died at “Kimberley” sitting in an old chair in the woolshed

14-11-2003 Bill buried at Kelso.

SMITH.

Peter Smith was born in Scotland 1753 , moved to the USA and was a Empire Loyalist in the Revolution of 1773 and died in Canada 1825.
His grandson John born Canada 1831 is the one that turned up in the Palmers Oakey area.
When he arrived is unknown, he took up residence on the Coolamigal Creek and there are descendants still in that area.

From the History of Palmers Oakey

The first record I have is Duncan Ferguson 1st will, where he appointed **John Smith** as an executor and on the 5th April 1860 probate of the will was granted to **John Smith** and John McKinnon .

00-00-1862 **John Smith** married Isabella Ferguson at "Warrie". Daughter of the aforesaid Duncan 1st

03-09-1865 **John Smith** and his wife Isabella (nee Ferguson) had a son Robert McLennon at Rose Hill.

07-04-1866 **John Smith** and his wife Isabella (nee Ferguson) had their son Robert McLennon baptised by Rev Colin Stewart and stated he was born at Rose Hill and John's profession was Landholder.

08-04-1867 **John Smith** and his wife Isabella (nee Ferguson) had a daughter Donaldina Isabella.

10-05-1868 **John Smith** and his wife Isabella (nee Ferguson) had their daughter Donaldina Isabella baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Dark Corner and Johns profession as Farmer.

20-11-1869 **John Smith** and Isabella (nee Ferguson) had a son at Dark Corner his name being Willy.

19-12-1869 John Smith and his wife Isabella (nee Ferguson) had their son Willie baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave his birth place as Dark Corner and Johns profession as Miner.

ELECTORAL ROLL 1870—71

NAME		**AREA**
Smith	John	Dark Corner

15-04-1890 William Smith married Alice Ferguson

00-00-1890 Leonard Smith born.

00-00-1893 Virginia Isabella Smith born (married Boulden)

00-00-1895 Elsie Minna Smith born.

17-08-1895 Duncan Ferguson2nd buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery. John McKinnon acted as undertaker with M Galagher JP reading the service. George McLeod and **William Smith** witnessed certificate.

00-00-1897 Ewen Ernest(Barney) Smith born.

09-11-1898 John Smith died at Dark Corner and is buried there.

In the Palmers Oakey area his son William became the head of the family. The other children were spreading through the Dark Corner and Sunny Corner area

William and family lived near the Fergusons on a slight rise 300 meters north from the cross roads

13-01-1901 A public meeting was called for this date but was adjourned (being Sunday) to the 19th Jan which was duly held on the 19th Jan 1901 to elect trustees for the ensuing three years. Proposed by D D Munro D Hopkins seconded by C Ferguson, **W Smith** proposed by C Ferguson seconded by W Theobald, J Wilkinson proposed by W Theobald seconded by F Hyde, F Hyde, proposed by D Munro seconded by F Wilkinson, D D Munro proposed by C Ferguson seconded M McDonnell all carried unanimously. At the same meeting the balance sheet was read and passed as correct.
1901 Common Expenditure £17-9-0 Stock Tax £2-7-6. Tenders for covering holes were. D Hopkins £2. **W.Smith £3.** D Ferguson £4.

01-02-1902 A trustees meeting was held on this date to decide whether E O'Farrell had any right to depasture on the common, the trustees present were , D Hopkins , John Wilkinson, D D Munro, **W Smith,** Proposed by D Hopkins that his right be cancelled seconded by J Wilkinson, carried 3 to 1 **. W Smith** resigned. D D Munro chairman.

08-11-1902 A duly advertised Public Meeting was held on this date to elect 3 trustees in Lieu of **W Smith,** F Hyde, D D Munro resigned. At which meeting the following gentlemen were elected. John A McKinnon, proposed by D McKinnon seconded by Peter Munro, carried. Walter Theobald proposed by W J Wilkinson seconded by D D Munro, Alfred Wilkinson proposed by D D Munro seconded by W J Wilkinson. all carried unanmously and the meeting closed.

1902. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 17. A Smith,

COMMON ROLL 1901---1902

NAME	**ADDRESS**	**GROUND FOR CLAIM**
William Smith		Resident Miner
Mrs A Smith		Resident

DIVISION OF MACQUARIE. 1903.

PALMERS OAKEY POLLING-PLACE.

69 Smith	Alice	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
70 Smith	William	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

From Dep Agriculture Sheep brand Register (1903)

		FIRE	TAR	EAR no:
Smith R McLennan	Coolamigal, Mitchell		VP (conj)	159

1904. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell 35. V Smith, , A Smith,

1904 . Common paid C Ferguson for covering holes £3-9-8. **William Smith** £4-0-0 for same

26-01-1905 **Alice Smith** died at "Oaks" Palmers Oakey.

17-03-1905 **William Smith** died while stripping wattle bark. It was said at the time, that he died from a broken heart, as his wife had died 7 weeks earlier, and her mother a week later. Soon after his death the **Smiths** house was burnt down to remove the curse.

Now their son **Len** was the head of the family at age 15, the Fergusons looked after the 2 boys and the 2 girls went to relatives in Sydney.

COMMON ROLL 1908

NAME	**GROUND FOR CLAIM**
Len Smith	Station hand

24-03-1909 A trustees meeting was held on the above date H Theobald in the chair. Full number present. Application from Miss E Martin and Mr C Ferguson for common rights was refused on grounds of non-resident. **L Smiths** application for common right granted. A request from D Ferguson to allow him pasturage for 6 head of stock over and above his compliment on common, refused. The secretary was instructed to notify Martin Dunn that his common right shall not be granted as from the end of half year ending 30 June 1909. Meeting dosed E Wolfenden sec.

1909 **Registered Letters Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell No.4** , Ewie Smith,
Letters from Upper Turon No. 5 Ewen Smith,
Letters from Sunny Corner No. 7 Mrs Ewen Smith,

1911 **Registered letters to Palmers Oakey from Sunny Corner 12.,** E Smith,

22-01-1915 **John McLennon Smith** enlisted in the lst AIF in the 4th Battalion.
12-03-1915 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** enlisted into the army at Liverpool
25-06-1915 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** embarked for Gallipoli onboard the "Ceramic".
07-08-1915 **John McLennon Smith** died onboard the Hospital Ship “Dunluce Castle" from wounds received at Gallipoli and was buried at sea.
16-08-1915 **Ewen Emest (Barney) Smith** landed at Gallipoli.
23-08-1915 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** wounded in action (bullet wound arm) on Gallipoli.
13-09-1915 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** transferred to Lowlands Convalescent Camp at Mudros.
Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith rejoined his unit at the Gallipoli Peninsular
08-03-1916 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** transferred to the 2nd Pioneer Battalion.
26-03-1916 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** proceeded from Gallipoli to France.
Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith promoted to corporal.
11-09-1917 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** promoted to Sergeant.
17-07-1918 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** wounded in action (gassed) and admitted to the 8th Field Ambulance.
20-07-1918 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** rejoined his unit.
27-07-1918 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** wounded in action (gassed).
29-07-1918 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** admitted to the 47th General Hospital.
20-08-1918 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** rejoined his unit.
05-10-1918 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** wounded in action and admitted to the 7th Field Ambulance.
06-10-1918 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** rejoined his unit.
29-12-1919 **Ewen Ernest (Barney) Smith** discharged from the army.
11-06-1923 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Ball Subs. E Smith 1/6

Circa 1929 **Barney Smith** and family who had been working at Dark Corner for the Shumacks moved to Sofala where **Barney** worked on the new bridge. He was the diver with a bell suit that went down inside the pipes digging out the gravel etc and the pipes sunk to the rock level. The pipes then became the supports for the bridge
They then came to live at the Fergusons cottage “Martins”, then to “Warrie” where he was manager and in the early 50’s moved to Rockdale and **Barney** and his son **Ewen** worked for Qantas.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1928
People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

25 Smith Ewen Ernest M Palmers Oakey Labourer

00-01-1937 E E Smith started work for D L Ferguson @ £3-00 per week.
28-06-1937 E E Smith drove 122 sheep (D Fergusons) to Bathurst Sales.
30-06-1937 E E Smith arrived at Bathurst, sheep sold for Ewes & Wethers £1-0-3, Lambs £1-18-6.
00-00-1941 Public subscriptions for erection of tennis court .
E E Smith 1-0-0
D T Ferguson 1-0-0
D L Ferguson 1 -0-0
W Bennett 10-0 =total 3-10-0
14-04-1943 D L Ferguson appointed Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade Vice Captain, **E E Smith Captain**

PALMERS OAKEY CRICKET CLUB MEMBERS 1945

A Smith 5-0
E E Smith 5-0
E M Smith 5-0

29--08--1948 Public meeting held at Rec ground to form a new tennis dub. Moved D T Ferguson seconded **E E Smith** that D L Ferguson be secretary. Moved **E E Smith** seconded A B Thompson D T Ferguson be dep. sec.. Arranged that S McKinnon carry on collecting for tennis balls @ 1/- per month. Moved W Bennett that secretary be informed by players if they will be able to play matches a week prior to such matches.
Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members.
Mrs E E Smith, , E E Smith,
16-01-1949 Tennis match against Dark Corner. Palmers Oakey players were Mrs E J Bennett, **Mrs E E Smith**, Miss K Ferguson, D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson, W J Bennett, J Farmer.
There were four properties that shore their sheep at "Oaks" shed in 1949 , they were
Est. E Ferguson, D Ferguson, C Munro and Mrs 0 Theobald.

26-11-1956 **E E (Barney) Smith** died at Rockdale.

The largest number of Smiths were in the Dark Corner and Sunny Corner area

COMMON STOCK OWNERS

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1894	William Smith		1
1901	Alice Smith	1	3
1902	Alice Smith	1	5
1903	Alice Smith	1	3
1904	Mrs Alice Smith	1	4
1905	Mrs Alice, Smith	1	8



LEN SMITH KIA.



Barney Smith

SOUTHALL.

The Southall of interest here was Thomas born Bathurst 26-12-1838, the son of Thomas Southall and Mary Verdon.
He spent his early years in the Carcoar area where his people were shepherds at Coombing Park
He must have joined the rush for gold and found his way into the Palmers Oakey area, for on the 23-09-1862 Thomas Southall married Jannett (Jessie) Ferguson at Mitchells Creek. Witnesses Duncan Ferguson & George McLeod. (**See Ferguson Tree**)
They had 9 children, all recorded as being born at Palmers Oakey

The following is from The History of Palmers Oakey.

HORSE STEALING Bathurst Court Tuesday 31st May 1846.

John Case, ticket-of leave, was indicted for stealing a mare, the property of Mary Blackman, she being a married woman, and her husband alive, although not living together for several years ; the mare was also laid as the property of James Blackman, the husband from the evidence of Mary Blackman, and which was corroborated by her son, Charles Blackman, it appeared she was possessed of a black or dark brown mare, which she had bred, that about twelve months since this mare was missing from off the run at Piper's Flat. being .at that time two years six months or two years and seven months old, it was branded when taken, with EB on the off shoulder ; both witnesses had seen the mare about two months since, when they were making depositions before Dr. Palmer ; they swore, on the mare being shown to them then, that it was the mare being alluded to, they discovered that another and larger EB brand had been put over the original brand, and that there was another brand of EE on the near shoulder, that was much more recently branded, und was not on the mare when missing.

Charles Castles, constable, stationed at Diamond Swamp : I have seen the prisoner at Barnaby's, at Round Swamp, about twenty three miles from Piper's Flat ; I saw him there about the 17th May, 1845 ; he had with him a black or dark brown mare, branded with a large EB on the off shoulder over a small brand, and the ends of the smaller brand in the letter E I were visible within the larger brand, when he then saw the mare she had a recent brand on the other shoulder of EE, which had been very recently placed there, not more than two days, as the flesh was puffed, and the scab had not begun to rise ; on my looking at the mare, the prisoner asked me if I knew her ; I told him I thought I did ; he then went and had some conversation with Lamb, who was in his company; I again saw the prisoner on the same mare near Keenan's public-house, at Jews Creek about two months after; at another time I saw the mare rode by a woman ; and once saw Keenan on the mare between Round Swamp and Jews Creek In January last, I saw the mare at Dr. Palmer's, she was then in my charge, and I was present when both Mrs Blackman and her son Charles identified her as the one that had been missing from Piper's Fat.

Thomas Carr, in the employ of Dr. Palmer : In June last year I purchased from the prisoner a black or dark brown mate, EB on one shoulder and EE on the other ; I gave the prisoner £8 10.00 for the mare, saddle, and bridle; the prisoner at first asked £12, the bargain was made in the presence of **Thomas Southall** and Bryan Reilly, and they both witnessed the receipt signed and given to me by the prisoner I afterwards sold this mare to Mr. James Murray ;

Some time after I had purchased the mare the prisoner sent me another receipt, which purported to be signed by Edward Brown, and witnessed by William Bell and Charles Bell, and was a receipt to the prisoner. When I purchased the mare from the prisoner, he told me it had been bred at King's Plains, Dunn's Plains, or O'Connell Plains; I do not recollect which. (The receipt above alluded to had been handed to the care of Mr. J. C. White, J.P., and he was called to prove that the receipts now before the Court were the same.)

For the defence Charles Bell was called, who stated that he and his brother William and another man named Bright were present on the 1st of May last, when the prisoner purchased a dark brown mare or black mare from a man named Brown, from down the country, the price given for the mare was either £5 or £6; the mare was branded EB on one shoulder, and EE on the other, the latter a very recent brand, not more than two days placed on the mare ; a receipt was given by Brown which I and my brother witnessed ; I have never seen Brown since.

Castles having been again called, still persisted that it was on the 17th of May last that he saw the mare in the prisoner's possession, and the brand EE could not have been on the mare two days at that time. To a question put to him by the Solicitor-General, as to the character of the last witness, he gave him a very indifferent one. After the Judge's summing up, the Jury retired, and after an absence of half an hour returned a verdict of not guilty. The prisoner was taken into the custody of the police as a prisoner of the Crown, At half-past four a new Jury was called ; but as it was found there were none of the witnesses in attendance, the Court adjourned until nine o'clock on Wednesday morning.

BATHURST 27 Feb 1850 (S M H) SIMMONS v. MILLER.
Counsel for plaintiff, Mr. Holroyd ; attorney,
Mr. Mclntosh.
Counsel for defendant, Attorney-General ; attorney, Mr. Bligh.
Assessors T. J. Hawkins, D. M. Irving, J. T. Lane, and F. Lord, Esqs.
This was an action brought to recover the sum of £49-12s 6d , for goods sold and delivered ; the defendant proved a set-off to the amount of £32 12s. 3d., a tender for £8 15s., and not indebted for the residue; plaintiff is a storekeeper at Bathurst and Carcoar, and proprietor of certain premises and a public-house at a place called the Five-mile Water-hole, which he had let to a person named Coomber, who occupied it as tenant to plaintiff for several months ; Coomber became insolvent, and the license was sold by the official assignees to the defendant, who entered into an agreement with the plaintiff for a term of three years, but being engaged in his own business at Bathurst at the time, he commissioned a person named **Southall** to take charge for him, and carry on the business for a few days. It was proved that defendant ordered from plaintiff wines and spirits to the amount of £8 5s. 3d , to be sent into the house, and also instructed **Southall** to keep an account of all that he sold for him ; it afterwards appeared he regretted his bargain, and took another house in a different part of the country, alleging as an excuse for so doing that he could not get possession of the house he had taken from the plaintiff, and denying that he had ordered the goods which formed the ground-work of the action. For the defense, it was attempted to be proved that the defendant could not get possession of the house, but this was stopped by the Judge, as not appearing the question at issue ; it was also attempted to prove a tender of the sum of £8 15s., admitted by the defendant to be due to plaintiff ; but this also failed, owing to a receipt in full being demanded at the time it was made. The Jury, after a short absence, returned a verdict for the plaintiff-damages, £8 5s, 3d.
During the trial of the above case, it came out in evidence that an information had been filed against the proprietor of the house for a breach of the Licensing Act, in allowing spirits to be sold on the premises after the license had been purchased by the defendant. The information had been adjudicated upon at the Carcoar Police Office, and dismissed. His Honor the Chief Justice enquired who the person was who filed this information, and was told it WBB Mr. Fox, the chief constable at Carcoar His Honor observed that he felt convinced that such a proceeding was never intended or contemplated by the Legislature ; it was a stretch of authority quite unwarranted by the Act of Council.
This case occupied the Court five hours, and it was adjourned *sine die.*

21-10-1862	John Southall son of Thomas Southall born
24-06-1866	**Thomas Southall** and his wife Janet (Jessie) (nee Ferguson) had their son Thomas Duncan baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where the boy was born as Palmers Oakey and Thomas' profession as Labourer.
20-11-1868	**Thomas Southall** and his wife Janet (nee Ferguson) had their daughter Janet Mary baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart and gave her birth place as Palmers Oakey and Thomas' profession as Miner.
15-05-1869	Millett recommended **T. Southall**, a butcher as his successor, **Southall** having taken over Milletts premises.
01-06-1869	**Thomas Southall** took charge of the Post Office. His sureties were Samuel Taylor Jnr., a farmer of Limekilns and Duncan Ferguson grazier of Palmers Oakey.
21-09-1869	**Southall** tendered his resignation as Postmaster saying Millett had returned to carry on his business as usual.
1869	**Thomas Southall** received 3 registered letters at Palmers Oakey Post Office
05-09-1871	INSOLVENCY PROCEEDINGS.**Thomas Southall,** of Palmer's Oakey, miner Liabilities, £46 4s Id. Assets, £14 12s. Gd. Mr Sempill, official assignee.
1872	**Palmers Oakey Post Office record of residents** SOUTHALL Thomas miner Palmer's Oakey
1873	Thomas Southall received 1 registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office .
1874	Thomas Southall received 1 registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office
00-10-1875	**Thomas Southall** took Robert Bennett to Court as Bennett had intended cutting a race through **Southall's** claim. Bennett was ordered to flume his race over **Southall's** claim.
23.05-1888	INSOLVENCY PROCEEDINGS. **Thomas Southall** of Wattle Flat Contractor

When the Southalls left here I am not sure but about 1880, they moved to Wattle Flat.

SOUTHALL

1. **Thomas Southall** b. 1813, Birmingham, War. England, occupation Shepherd, m. 05-08-1841, in R C Bathurst, **Mary Verdon,** b.1813, d. 08-03-1857, Coombing Carcoar. Thomas died 30-06-1879, Tuena, buried: Tuena. Arrived Sydney 15-03-1832 per "*Isabella*" as convict.Assigned to William Lawson at Bathurst, then Samuel Terry at Coombing Park.Son of Thomas Southall (1781--1823). & Mary Southall born 1783. Mary: Daughter of Patrick Verdon & Margaret Flaherty. Arrived Sydney 1834 from Galway Town Ireland. per "*Andromeda*" as a convict.

Children:

2.	i	Thomas Southall	b. 26-12-1838.

Second Generation

2. **Thomas Southall** b. 26-12-1838, Bathurst, occupation butcher, contractor, miner, m. 23-09-1862, in West Mitchell, **Janet Ferguson,** b. 1836, Scotland, d. 10-07-1899, Sydney, buried: 11-07-1899, St.Thomas C of E Nt.Sydney. Thomas died 07-12-1918, Lidcombe, buried: C E Rookwood. **Janet: See Ferguson Tree**

Children:

	i	John Southall	b. 21-10-1862.
4.	ii	Thomas Duncan Southall	b. 17-01 -1865.
	iii	James Alexander Southall	b. 20-09-1866, Palmers Oakey, d. 26-11-1906, Neutral Bay, buried: St Thomas Nt Sydney.
	iv	Jeanette Mary Southall	b. 20-09-1868, Palmers Oakey, m. (1) 1900, in Sydney, **Robert Kilkelly,** m. (2) 1918, in Bathurst, **James Tudor Turner.** Jeanette died 26-10-1937, Drummoyne.
	v	Ann Ferguson Southall	b. 1870, Palmers Oakey, m. **J H Potts,** occ Bootmaker. Ann died 1933, Auburn
	vi	Ellen Catherine Southall	b. 1872, Palmers Oakey, m. 1918, in Bathurst, **Charles Ivory,** d. 02-04-1958. Ellen died 07-07-1960, 61 Holt St Surry Hills.
	vii	Albert Ernest Southall	b. 00-09-1874, Palmers Oakey, d. 23-07-1916, France. Left Sydney per '*Medic*' 30.12.1915 29.3.1916 Alexandria 4.4.1916 Marseilles, in action France 8.6.1916 K IA France 23.7.1916 (3rd Batt A I F) Grave unknown (Bapaume ?).
5.	viii	Edward Edwin Southall	b. 00-00-1877.
	ix	William Stephens Southall	b. 1880, Palmers Oakey, d. 1927, Brisbane . Served WW I 20-11-16--29-11-18

Third Generation

3. **John Southall** b. 21-10-1862, Palmers Oakey, m. 14-08-1886, in Sydney, **Florence May Potts,** b. 1866, d. 27-02-1953, 44 Hayberry St Crows Nest. John died 04-02-1896, St Leonards, buried: St Thomas C of E Nt Sydney.

Children:

i Ruby May Southall b. 00-00-1887, Nt Sydney, m. 1905, **James Lyons**. Ruby died 1955, Willoughby , James: 3 D 2 S

ii Nea Southall b. 22-04-1889, Nt Sydney, m. 1906, **Ernest Milton Hancock,** b. 1885, d. 23-09-1942. Nea died 19-05-1954, Nt Sydney, buried: Nt Sydney. Ernest: 2 daughters and 4 sons

iii John Henry Southall b. 00-00-1891, Nt Sydney, m. 1917, **Gladys May Sandiford,** d. 1939, Auburn. John died 00-04-1953, 44 Hayberry St Crows Nest, buried: Nt Sydney (Ashes).

iv Violet Southall b. 00-00-1893, Nt Sydney, m. 1912, **William H Read,** b. 1888, d. 24-05-1978, Nt Sydney. Violet died 05-03-1975, Cammeray. William: 2 daughters and 3 sons

v Florence Ann Southall b. 00-04-1895, Nt Sydney, m. 1915, **Robert Waterhouse Lister,** b. 1892, d. 26-12-1965. Florence died 17-12-1963, Nt Sydney. Robert: 2 daughters

4. **Thomas Duncan Southall** b. 17-01-1865, Palmers Oakey, m. 1901, **Maud E Dillon**. Thomas died 1918, Narrabri.

Children:

i James E Southall b. 00-00-1901, Hillgrove, occupation Police Officer.

ii Thomas J Southall b. 00-00-1903, Hillgrove.

iii Joseph E Southall b. 00-00-1907, Hillgrove d. 1910

5. **Edward Edwin Southall** b. 1877, Palmers Oakey, m. 1906, in Sydney, **Florence May Potts**, b. 1866, d.27-02-1953,44 Hayberry St Crows Nest. Edward died 18-09-1942, 44 Hayberry St Crows Nest, buried: Nt Shore.

Children:

i Alice Eileen Southall b. 1908, Nt Sydney, m. 1929, in Nt Sydney, **Raymond G Fogg.** Alice died 1959, West St Crows Nest.

SPENCER

From the records of Palmers Oakey

Upper Turon Post Office 1876

Spencer William Palmers Oakey

1878. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from Mitchells Creek 11.

J Martin 1. Millett 1. J McKinnon 1. A Clyne 1. K McLeod 1. Jacob Dunkel 1. E Lewis 2. Mrs Rawle 1. **W Spencer 1.** Mrs J Moxon 1.

1881 OWNERS OF STOCK ON COMMON.

Mrs W Spencer 10 Goats

SPENCER

1. **Henry Spencer** occupation Farmer, m. 22-07-1807, in Loughbrough, England **Ann Franklin.**

Children:

2. i William Spencer b. 00-00-1809.

Second Generation

2. **William Spencer** b. 1809, Longbrough England, m. 04-10-1841, in St Phillips Sydney, **Sarah Jane Lynn (Lane),** b. 1820, Kings County Ireland, d. 01-03-1892, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. Arrived Aust c 1838 Her father was a shoemaker by trade William died 23-09-1878, buried: Palmers Oakey.

Children:

3 i William Spencer b. 00-00-1842.

ii Mary Ann Spencer b. 25-04-1847, Balmain, m. 1862, in Kelso, **Emanuel Lewis,** b. 1835, Azores, occupation miner/carpenter, d. 02-10-1911, buried: Palmers Oakey. Mary died 11-09-1920, Orange, buried:12-09-1920, Palmers Oakey. **Emanuel: See Lewis Tree**

Third Generation

3. **William Spencer** b. 1842, Sydney, m. 1867, in Bathurst, **Mary Jane Miller,** d. 1891, Bathurst. William died 1891, Bathurst.

Children:

i Sarah Spencer b. 00-00-1868, Bathurst.

ii Hannah Spencer b. 00-00-1869, Forbes.

iii John Spencer b. 00-00-1870, Forbes, d. 1871, Forbes.

iv William R Spencer d. 1874, Forbes.

v Joseph Spencer b. 00-00-1873, Forbes, d. 1876, Forbes.

vi Margaret Spencer b. 00-00-1874, Parkes.

vii Mary Jane Spencer b. 00-00-1876, Orange.

viii William Charles Spencer b. 00-00-1878, Wellington, d. 1890, Accidently drowned near Sofala

STEVENSON

Henry Stevenson was born Caston Northampton England, on the 4-3-1827. His parents were William & Elizabeth.
Henry arriver in Australia on the 13th October 1850 aboard the "Kate". He paid a fare of 2 pounds and was described as 'Farm Labourer'. He could not read or write , religion C of E, and had no relations in the Colony.
He married Frances Perry (nee Haynes) on the 11-11-1858 in the Church of England Church, Church Street, Castlereagh. Frances was born 1st July 1841.
I think there is a connection between Frances and John Fergusons wifes family, same surname, witnesses to marriages and at one stage they lived only 300M apart.
Henry and family lived at Meadow Flat, Limekilns Swamp, then "Wattlegrove" on the Razorback Road Sofala.
During the 1870's they lived at Limekilns Swamp on Portion 4 Turon, this is on the Dark Corner Road 2ks north of Coolamigal

From the History of Palmers Oakey.

1872 Post Office Directory Palmers Oakey
STEVENSON Henry settler Limekiln Swamp
1875/76 Post Office Directory Palmers Oakey
STEVENSON Henry settler Limekilns Swamp
His name also appears on old land maps as the owner of 40 acres at Limekilns Swamp, portion 4 Turon.
1885 Bathurst Landholders Records shows Henry Stevenson Razorback Sofala

Henry Stevenson 4-3-1827 Died 19-9-1912 buried Round Swamp
Frances Stevenson 1-7-1841 Died 12-2-1908 buried Round Swamp

STEVENSON

1. **Richard Stevenson** b. Seaton, Rutland, m. 08-11-1784, in Seaton Rutland, **Mary Cox.**
Children:

	i	Elizabeth Stevenson	b. 09-11-1785, Seaton Rutland.
2.	ii	William Stevenson	b. 30-11-1790.

Second Generation

2. **William Stevenson** b. 30-11-1790, Seaton Rutland, m. 02-05-1816, in Seaton Rutland, **Elizabeth Hill**, b. Barrowden Rutland, d. 29-06-1837, Castor Northampton. William died 1871, Peterbrough.
Children:

	i	William Stevenson	b. 26-10-1817, Seaton Rutland, d. 1876, Pertebrough.
	ii	John Stevenson	b. 29-09-1819.
4.	iii	Peter Hill Stevenson	b. 29-04-1821.
	iv	Edward Stevenson	b. 22-09-1822, Castor Northampton.
	v	James Stevenson	b. 01-03-1824, Castor Northampton.
5.	vi	George Stevenson	b. 22.05-1825.
6.	vii	Henry Stevenson	b. 04-03-1827.
	viii	Thomas Stevenson	b. 23-03-1830, Castor Northampton.
	ix	Jane Stevenson	b. 16-01-1833, Castor Northampton.
7.	x	Joseph Stevenson	b. 13-05-1836.

Third Generation

3. **John Stevenson** b. 29-09-1819, Castor Northampton, m**. Sarah**, b. 1825, Tansor Northampton. John died 1888, Northampton.
Children:

8.	i	Sarah Ann Stevenson	b. 00-00-1853.
	ii	Kate Stevenson	b. 00-00-1871, Castor Northampton.

4. **Peter Hill Stevenson** b. 29-04-1821, Castor Northampton, m. **Sarah**, b. 1819, Sutton Huntingdon.
Children:

	i	Sarah A Stevenson	b. 00-00-1858, Long Thorpe Northampton.

5. **George Stevenson** b. 22.05-1825, Castor Northampton, m. **Catherine**, b. 1830, Marhelm Northampton. George died 1905.
Children:

	i	George Stevenson	b. 00-00-1861, Ailsworth Northampton.
	ii	John Stevenson	b. 00-00-1864, Ailsworth Northampton.
	iii	Emma Stevenson	b. 00-00-1868, Ailsworth Northampton.
	iv	William Stevenson	b. 00-00-1871, Ailsworth Northampton.

6. **Henry Stevenson** b. 04-03-1827, Castor Northampton Peterbrough England, m. 11-11-1858, in Castlereagh, **Frances Haines**, b. 01-07-1841, Emu Plains, d. 12-02-1908, buried; Round Swamp. Henry died 19-09-1912, br; Round Swamp.
Frances: Father John Haines, mother Eliza McCann
Children:

	i	Annie Australia Stevenson	b. 09-01-1860.
10.	ii	Eliza Stevenson	b. 27-12-1861.
11	iii	Frances Stevenson	b. 23-09-1865.

12.	iv	Jane Stevenson	b. 02-04-1868.	
	v	Eudora Stevenson	b. 21-04-1870,	d. 09-10-1947.
13.	vi	Treasure (Theresa) Stevenson	b. 19-06-1872.	
14.	vii	William J Stevenson	b. 24-08-1874.	
15.	viii	Ada Stevenson	b. 27-08-1877.	

7. **Joseph Stevenson** b. 13-05-1836, Castor Northampton, m. 00-03-1854, in Teesdale, **Jane Stubbs,** b.-1838, d. 1890, Peterbrough. Joseph died 1895.

Children.

	i	John Fletcher Stevenson	b. 00-00-1863, Northampton.
16.	ii	Augusta Louisa Stevenson	b. 02-04-1871.
	iii	Kenneth William Stevenson	b. 00-00-1873, Ailsworth.
	iv	Sarah Jane Stevenson	b. 00-09-1876, Ailsworth, m. 1894, **William Spacey.**
	v	Ethel Maria Stevenson	b. 00-00-1879, Sutton Northampton.

Fourth Generation

8. **Sarah Ann Stevenson** b. 1853, Castor Northampton, m. 00-12-1876, in Barnsley, **William Watkins,** b. 1845, Ailsworth Northampton.

Children:

i	John William Watkins	b. 00-00-1874, Castor Northampton.
ii	Sarah Elizabeth Watkins	b. 00-00-1877, Castor Northampton.
iii	Mary Jane Watkins	b. 00-00-1879, Ardsley York.

9. **Annie Australia Stevenson** b. 09-01-1860, Bathurst, m. 08-02-1 882, in Bathurst All Saints Cathedral, **John Thomas Franks,** b. 21-02-1851, Bath England, (son of Charles Franks and Martha Steel) 0cc; Store Keeper, d. 09-05-1925, br; Round Swamp. Annie died 28-11-1928, br; Round Swamp **John. See Franks Tree**

Children:

i	Frances Eliza Franks	b. 16-01-1883, m. 16-01-1906, in Rylstone, **James Larkin,** b. 31-05-1870, d. 25-09-1944, br; Round Swamp. Frances died 01-01-1954, br; Woronora Sydney. **James: See Larkin Tree**
ii	Rachel Franks	b. 21-12-1884, m. 14-06-1911, in St Leonards, **Stephen Oliver,** b. 1872, Rylstone,(son of David Oliver and Mary Ann Barry) d. 01-10-1956, br; Round Swamp. Rachel died 25-05-1978, br; Mudgee
iii	Alice Ann Franks	b. 10-11-1886, Sydney, m. 02-01-1907, in Palmers Oakey Church, **Ernest Charles Draper**, b. 16-05-1864, d. 13-11-1944, br; Round Swamp. Alice died 13-09-1979, br; Round Swamp.
iv	Henry Charles Franks	b. 20-08-1888, m. 01-12-1917, in Ilford, **Grace Margaret Cosier**, b.-1887, Peats Ferry (daughter of Matthew Henry Cosier and Annie M McCulley) d. 1954, br; Cosier private cemetery Ilford. Henry died 01-08-1960, Rookwood.
v	Arthur Thomas Franks	b. 21-11-1890, d. 18-07-1963, br; Round Swamp. 20-11-1904 Dr Howard presented him with Senior Boys Prize for good conduct and regular attendance at Palmers Oakey Sunday School. Went to WW I, rose to rank of Sergeant.
vi	Olive May Franks	b. 03-01-1893, m. 18-09-1911, **Henry Theobald, b.** 15-12-1869, Tobins Oakey, (son of Henry Theobald 1st and Eliza Jane Franks) 0cc; Gold Miner, d. 07-10-1948, Palmers Oakey, br; Palmers Oakey. Olive died 29-06-1974, Wallerawang, br; Palmers Oakey. **Henry:See Theobald Tree**
vii	Ethel Udora Franks	b. 11-10-1895, m. 01-03-1916, **John McCarron,** b. 1885. Ethel died 08-05-1986, br Nt. Suburbs.
viii	William Robert Stevenson Franks	b. 20-11-1900, d. 06-08-1950, br; Round Swamp. 30-03-1912 received prize for good behaviour and attendance at Palmers Oakey Sunday School
ix	James Roy Franks	b. 10-12-1902, m. 12-01-1930, **Dora Docker**, d. 22-03-1987. James died 08-01-1993.

7. **Eliza Stevenson** b. 27-12-1861, Bathurst, m. 1884, in Newtown, **Samuel Barker,** 1914, Petersham. Eliza died 1933. Samuel: Samuel father, Anna mother

Children:

i	Ruby F Barker	b. 1885, East Macquarie, m. 1916, in Tamworth, **Cecil W Bridge**, b. 1891.
ii	Alice M Barker	b. 1887, East Macquarie, m. 1915, in Balmain North, **Vivian Copperwaite**, b. 1891, Penrith. Alice died 1985. Vivian: Parents Thomas,& Louey
iii	Henry S (Garnet) Barker	b. 00-00-1890, Bathurst.
iv	Ellen (Nel) Barker	b. 00-00-1893, Bathurst, d. 1989.
v	Herbert Reginald Barker	b. 00-00-1897, Bathurst.
vi	Sidney James Barker	b. 00-00-1900, Bathurst.
vii	Elsie Barker	b. 00-00-1902, Bathurst, m. 1921, in Sydney, **Thomas F McHugh,** b. 1900. Elsie died 1996, Cairns Q.

8. **Frances Stevenson** b. 23-09-1865, Bathurst, m. 03-07-1895, in Sydney, **James Oliver**, b. 26-02-1860, (son of David Oliver and Mary Ann Barry) d. 15-06-1930, br; Round Swamp. Frances died 01-10-1940, br; Round Swamp.

Children:

i	Hector James Oliver	b. 28-03-1904, Mudgee, m. 03-06-1939, in Nt Sydney, **Ethel Irene Pay,** b. 07-06-1901, d. 13-05-1982, br; Round Swamp. Hector died 24-01-1986, br; Round Swamp.

12. **Jane Stevenson** b. 02-04-1868, m. 25-03-1896, in Petersham, **James Clarke,** b. 17-07-1867, d. 10-07-1948. Jane died 1946.

Children:

i	Madeline Clarke	b. 27-01-1902, d. 3 1-01-1998, Moree.
ii	Jean Marie Clarke	b. 29-02-1904, m.1926, **Vivian R Ramage**, b. 1897, d. 1975.Jean d14-04-1944.
iii	Dorothy May Clarke	b. 28-05-1909, m. 26-12-1936, **Thomas Henry Noble Evers**, b. 23-08-1908,d. 04-08-1966, br; Merredin WA.

13. **Treasure (Theresa) Stevenson** b. 19-06-1 872, Bathurst, m. 11-06-1907, in Sydney, **Archibald Stoddard McPhee,** b. 30-12-1878, d. 10-05-1936. Treasure died 1948.

Children.

i Charles Kenneth McPhee b, 05-04-1908, m. 02-01-1934, **Bessie K Abington,** b. 28-07-1909, d. 03-11-1973.Charles died 29-02-1972.

14. **William J Stevenson** b. 24-08-1874, Bathurst, m. 1908, in Sydney, **Lydia Evans,** b. 1882, d. 30-09-1951, br; Sofala. William died 14-12-1955, br; Sofala. Lydia: Parents, Robert Evans b1826 & Louisa Fosket b 1844 married 27-04-1861. Louisa a descendant of Benjamin Herbert, brother of Sir George Agustus Herbert 11th Earl of Pembroke, she came to Aust from Wales with parents George & Mary Ann & sister Lily

Children:

i Gladys Thelma Stevenson b. 00-01-1908, m. 1939, **Walter Jackson.**

ii Dulcie Madge Stevenson b. 10-07-1910.

iii Iris Beryl Stevenson b. 31-07-1912, m. **? McGill.** Iris died 1998, Toowoomba Q.

15. **Ada Stevenson** b. 27-08-1877, Bathurst, m. 1904, in Mudgee, **Llewellyn Evans,** b. 1875, d. 12-01-1954, br; Round Swamp. Ada died 15-06-1967, br; Round Swamp. Liewellyn: age on headstone 72 years

Children:

i Leo C Evans b. 00-00-1907, d. 04-01-1908, br; Round Swamp.

ii Allan Keith Evans b. 00-00-1907, m. 1932, **Vera Grace Rearden,** b. 1913, d. 31-07-1966, b CaperteeAllan died 10-10-1978, br; Capertee.

iii Noel Stanley Evans b. 05-05-1909, m. 1942, **Ann Douglas McKenzie,** b. 10-02-1914, d. 09-11-1997, br; Round Swamp. Noel died 22-10-1983, br; Round Swamp.

iv Gordon Innes Evans b. 04-03-19 11, Rylstone, m. 1933, **Mary V Curran.** Gordon died 24-12-1973, br; Penrith.

v Clive Raymond Evans b. 00-00-1912, m. **Joan?.** Clive died 12-02-1996.

16. **Augusta Louisa Stevenson** b. 02-04-1871, Northampton, m. 15-04-1895, **George Henry Dickerson.**

Children:

i Lilly Mary Dickerson b. 00-12-1895, Northampton.

ii Edith Dickerson b. 00-12-1898, Northampton.

iii Henry Edward Dickerson b. 00-05-1907, Northampton

TAYLOR

Samuel Taylor was born in England in 1815, the son of Samuel Taylor and Sarah Green. He married Lady Harriet Draugharty who was born 1812. At this stage I do not know why she was referred to as "Lady", and if she was born in England or France. She had a genetic disorder of the blood that has been inherited by many descendants, known as Familial Multiple Haemorrhagic Telangiectasia.

In September 1829 Samuel, Harriet and their two daughters Frances and Harriet left London on the barque "*Wilmot"* under the command of Captain Miller, and arrived in Sydney on 26th January 1840.

Soon after arrival Samuel purchased a farm at Mona Vale and built a house for the sum of 350 pounds. The next year on the 7th May 1841 his wife Harriet died, aged 29. She was buried in the burial ground in Devonshire Street, but was later moved to the Wesleyan portion at Rookwood cemetery.

Where Samuel moved to, I do not know, but he rented the house out, and shortly after, it was burned down.

On the 21st June 1842 Samuel was granted a liquor license for the Greenman Inn at Evergreen Point Hawksbury River.

When Samuel took up with his next wife is not clear. There are records of him marring Mary James,(nee Kelly) the daughter of Edward and Mary Kelly (nee McGrath), who had came from County Limerick in Ireland. There are records of 10 children, from 1843 to 1858 including 2 sets of twins to start with. Whether all the children were Samuels or Marys previous partner James I am not sure as there is conflicting evidence, but it appears that Samuel gave them his surname.

It appears that Samuel and his new family stayed at the Greenman Inn till 1847 when he leased the Inn and they moved to Canterbury

After the start of the gold rush Samuel must have caught the fever, as next time we find of him is when on the 30-04-1853 **Samuel Taylor** was issued with a hotel licence (no: 1148) for the "Diggers Arms" at Palmers Oakey Creek, Turon River, and again in 1854.

Samuel is reported to have opened the first Inn at Mitchells Creek the "Star Inn" some time before 1866. It would appear that he may have had more than one pub going at the one time, as he was also the licensee for the "Hargraves Inn" at Limekilns in 1857, then the "Rising Sun Inn" 1859 through to 1869. In 1867 he changed the name to the "Morning Star Hotel", but for that year only. The answer may be that he employed family to run his hotels, and his farming pursuits.

From the Bathurst Newspaper of the 12th December 1857

Ann Wilkinson was indited for stealing 3oz 9wts of gold belonging to Samuel Taylor of Palmers Oakey Creek at Bathurst on 11th November 1857. She pleaded guilty and was undefended.

From the evidence it appeared that the accused was a servant in the employ of Mr T McKell of the Daniel O'Connell Hotel, and the prosecutor was a storekeeper at the diggings mentioned above and was lodging at Mr McKells on the 11th November. The Chief Constable received information that a small quantity of gold had been stolen from Taylor and in consequence he proceeded to McKells accompanied by District Constable Larkins. They went upstairs to the prosecutor's bedroom for the purpose of searching. The prisoner left suddenly and ran downstairs into the backyard, quickly followed by the police. In a minute or so the Chief Constable picked up a parcel upon the stairs containing 3oz 9wts of gold, folded up in what appeared to be a dress patten.

Samuel Taylor disposed that he had arrived at the Daniel O'Connell Hotel on the 11th November with 64 oz of gold in 3 chamois bags, which were put into a linen bag. Upon being shown to his room he disposited the gold between the bed and the mattress and on the following day he took the gold to the Bank of NSW where it was weighed and found to be 3 oz 9 wts deficient. Subquentialy he saw a small quantity of gold weighed at the Post Office by Mr Shadforth and its weight was 3 oz 9 wts.

In cross-examination by the Chairman this witness admitted he did not know the weight of the gold from his own weighing but from the statement of his daughter.
Susan McKell, being sworn, said that she was the wife of Mr Thomas McKell. On the 12th the prisoner brought her a bag which from its weight she supposed it contained gold, telling her that she found it in "the gentleman's" room between the bed and the mattress. Witness reprimanded her for touching it and took charge of it until Mr Taylor, who at the time was absent, returned. She then handed it over to him. She deposited the gold in the cash till and locked the door of the apartment, keeping the key in her possession.
Adilaid Pittingrew was at the foot of the stairs when the Chief and District Constables went up. At that time there was nothing on the stairs. Shortly afterwards the prisoner hurried down and sprang from the third stair upon the floor. Immediately afterwards the Chief Constable picked up the parcel containing the gold. Witness was sure it was not there when they went up.
A discussion took place between the Crown Prosecutor and the chairman as to the nature of the evidence and the latter considered that there was no absolute proof of the loss of gold, but the prosecutor or the possession of any by the prisoner, the former that there was strong circumstantial evidence of both.
The Chairman briefly summed up and pointed out the shortcomings of the evidence above alluded to.
The Jury found a verdict of not guilty without leaving the box. The prisoner was accordingly discharged.

12-10-1859 The Rev Mr Bowes the Wesleyan Minister at Sofala informed the School Board that Mr Samuel Taylor would give the use of a house at Limekilns for 2 years during which time Limekilns would operate as a non vested school.
From the Bathurst Free Press January 1860.
Inquest; On Monday an inquest was held at Mr Taylor's tavern Limekilns touching the death of a man named Eversleigh, who was thrown from a horse and killed on the Saturday evening previous. It appears from the evidence that the deceased who was in the employ of Mr Taylor at the time of the melancholy occurrence was out riding, when his horse suddenly took fright, and becoming ungovernable started off and threw the unfortunate deceased on the ground as to cause his death. The deceased was removed from the spot to the nearest premises but died shortly after. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

4th December 1860 Samuel Taylor advertised he had found a black mare in his paddock.
From the Bathurst Free Press March 1862.
20 Pounds Reward. Whereas between the hours of 2 o'clock and 3 on the morning of the 13 inst. My shed, fifty feet by fourteen feet, situate at Limekilns, and containing the principal part of my last crop of wheat and oats, was set fire to, in two separate places and totally consumed, destroying about eight hundred bushells of grain besides the stack yard fencing. THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE that I will give 20 Pounds reward to any person who will within six months from the present date give such information as shall lead to the apprehension and conviction of the guilty parties. **SAMUEL TAYLOR**

Samuel Taylor became Postmaster at Limekilns on the 11th March 1863 and he later recommended the local schoolteacher as his replacement, but this avenue terminated when the teacher closed the school and left the area**. Mr Taylor** advised that he was prepared to continue as postmaster. He had 12 children, several of whom were grown up and one of these could attend to the post office. He could not see that having a public house and store was a barrier to also having the post office. **Mr Taylor** resigned in 1868, preferring to live in Sydney because of the adverse effect the Limekilns climate was having on his health. He recommended his daughter Ann who had been keeping the Post office in his absence for some years. By this time an opinion was emerging locally that a public house was not an appropriate place for a post office and a site 1 ½ miles north would be more central to the population The present building was 100 feet long with the **Taylors** private residence separating the inn from the post office.
In February 1870 **Samuel Taylor** wrote from his residence 42 York St Sydney recommending his son Samuel age 26 and married as postmaster if one was required

Part of Samuel Taylor's businesses interests included hotels and various properties. At the time of his death in 1895 his assets were listed

Properties	Brush manufacturing and importing business, plus a free selection
Land	Over 500 acres at Limekilns. Co Roxborough
Residences	106 Pyrmont Bridge Rd., Forest Lodge
Cottages	4 at Glebe
	1 at Erskenville
	1 (Plus stable and land) at Holden St, Ashfield
	1 at Parramatta Rd (plus 1 allotment)
	5 at North Sydney
	1 at Little Arthur Street
	1 at Canterbury
Dairy	1 at Botany plus cottage plus 12 cowsheds and stables
Allotments	2 at Coogee
	1 at Camperdown
	1 at. Canterbury
	5 at Browlee
	2 at Fivedock
Other Land	600 acres at Ungonia
	land at: Sofala
	another block of 1 acre at Limekilns
	another block of 40 acres at Limekilns (known as Camas Station)
	land at the Hawkesbury

The beneficiaries of Samuel Taylor's estate were numerous, including children alive at the time

Daughters:	Francis Armour, Sarah Mc Cloy, Ellen Lorkin, Catherine Scott
Sisters:	Annie Ward. Harriet Storer
Cousin:	David Cockburn.

Daughters-in-law: Louisa Taylor. Elizabeth Taylor
Grandchildren: Harriet Green, Mary Constance Taylor, Blanch Taylor, Elsie Taylor, Louisa Dacre Tobin, Mary Lousia McCloy. Ethel May Lorking. Sam Taylor (Son of Charles), Forrest Taylor.
?. Taylor, James Tobin, John Tobin, Thomas Tobin. Samuel Tobin. Charles Tobin, Benjamin Tobin
Old Friend: Flizabeth Poyett
(Series 4, 8829, Probate Office, 29th July 1896)

From the History of Palmers Oakey.

01-01-1858 At her residence, Palmer's Oakey, Turon, **Mrs. Samuel Taylor**, of a daughter.S M H. (Birth)

19-05-1858 PALMER'S OAKEY.-S M H Those diggings still continue to go ahead as fast as ever. I have heard of several parties who are getting two and three ounces a week, and in many instances a larger average than this has been obtained. The ground adjoining the Royal Oak is one of the favorite localities, and the parties who are working there are quite satisfied with what they are earning. The accounts from the lower part of the creek near the Turon is also good, and the earnings of the diggers are such as to give general satisfaction. Below Mr. McKinnon's store, a new point had been opened, and a hole bottomed, the result of which I am told was very satisfactory. Close to **Taylor's** house now ground has also been broken and the prospect obtained is very favorable. As water is very plentiful in this place, I feel quite satisfied that during the winter months these diggings will hold as brilliant a reputation, for those who wish to obtain a fair remuneration for their labor I as those of any other of the western districts. At present there is a very nice population located on the creek, and from their well known orderly and well behaved conduct, I have no doubt that before long some very rich deposits will be hit upon.

08-12-1859 THE WELLINGTON MURDER. -Sergeant Major Lawrence has returned to Bathurst, after a chase of three days, with the Chinaman who murdered another of his country- men, at Wellington, about two months ago. Particulars of the exciting circumstances attending the capture will be given in our next.-Bathurst Times. The Free Press gives the following account :-" Singular Discovery.-About a fortnight ago, as a son of **Mr. Taylor's**, of the Lime Kilns, was riding towards Palmer's Oakey, he saw some bushes fixed against a tree, and upon inspection discovered a Chinaman seated beneath them**. Mr. Taylor** proceeded on his journey, and upon his return, the next day, found the man still there, apparently quite exhausted from want of food. **Mr. Taylor**. reported the circumstance to his friends, and upon their going to the spot, they found the place deserted. **Mr. Taylor, sen.,** who deserves great praise for the manner in which he acted, came to Bathurst, and reported the case to the authorities, and Sergeant Major Lawrence went immediately to the spot, expecting, from the statements made, to find the man lying dead in the bush. On reaching the spot where he was originally seen, the sergeant discovered his tracks, which he immediately followed, in company with **Mr. Taylor** and others, and after a long search, they discovered John Chinaman, who had taken shelter in a hollow tree near the Coolamidgee Creek, below "Warrie" Mr. Ferguson's station. When discovered, it was presumed that he was the man who was suspected of having lately murdered a shepherd at Wellington, and when spoken to upon the matter, he refused to give his name, but said some man had offered him 60 sheep if he would kill Sammy, and he told him if he would go to Mudgee the police would not follow him. Sergeant Lawrence brought him as a prisoner into Bathurst, and he in now confined in the lockup. It appears probable that the man had been without food for ten or twelve days, and in a very short space of time after he was discovered, he devoured food equivalent to full three days' rations for an ordinary man."BFP

25-12-1861 From the Bathurst Free Press. Reward £2-00. Strayed from Palmers Oakey. Light grey mare, branded MK on near shoulder. One brown mare branded AA on off shoulder, anyone delivering same to Mr D McKinnon or to **S Taylor** will receive the above reward. signed G Brown.

27-09-1865 ATTEMPTED MURDER BY Two BUSHRANGERS.-On Monday morning last, Mr. Millett, innkeeper of Palmer's Oakey, was attacked by bushrangers, as he was riding into Bathurst with a large sum of money upon his person, wounded, and very narrowly escaped with his life. He had just begun to descend the mountain near **Mr. Taylor's,;** at the Limekilns, when a man, with his face masked, sprang out from a bush almost under the head of Mr. Millett's horse, and called upon him to bail up. The animal was frightened by the suddenness of the man's appearance, and nearly threw his rider. For the moment. Mr. Millett thought it was on acquaintance who had saluted him by way of a joke; but as he was recovering his seat upon the horse, he was saluted in a similar manner by a man on the opposite side of the road, and saw that the fellow was preparing to cover him with a pistol or gun. Conceiving that his only chance of saving his property was by flight, he whipped his horse, and galloped off at right angles into the bush, so as to place the scrub between him and his assailants. He was not, however, quick enough to escape without injury, for the instant he turned, one of the scoundrels fired upon him, and he received the charge in his back and left side, his coat and body being penetrated with a large number of small shot, some of which passed completely through the flesh near the ribs.

He continued his flight, however, and made towards the village of Peel, which he soon reached, and whence Mr. Denis Donnelly brought him in a buggy into Bathurst. His wounds which are happily not of a serious character, occasioned but little inconvenience. They were dressed by Dr. Machattie, and in the course of an hour or two he returned to the scene of the attack, accompanied by a detachment of troopers in quest of the bushrangers, who, we regret to say, are still at large.-Bathurst Times.

01-06-1869 Thomas Southall took charge of the Post Office. His sureties were **Samuel Taylor Jnr.,** a farmer of Limekilns and Duncan Ferguson grazier of Palmers Oakey.

The following is from a newspaper cutting, dated 26th March 1904 and was written by G C Johnson.

Having known the late Mrs S (Fanny) Armour for many years, and having been on the most friendly terms with both her and her people, it would appear strange if I did not supplement your obituary notice in last issue. I first met Mrs Armour at Mitchells Creek in the year 65 or early 64. Mr Sam Armour (then "Sam Jr, or Young Sam") had taken over the principal hotel there from his father-in-law, the late Samuel Taylor, and there was a great day of sport on New Year's Day, I think, and a ball in the evening. I had been over at Sofala keeping holiday for a few days, and had arrived back at the Creek just in time to take part in the festivities. The hotel had been previously been conducted by **Mrs Taylor** (Mrs Armours stepmother) and she had returned to the Limekilns where **Mr Taylor** had the hotel, and had also a large farm. It is possible that I may have met Mrs Armour in Sofala much earlier, though not to know her, for they did not live in Sofala, but at **Palmers Oakey** where they kept a public house. At any rate the Armours and Taylors were about as well known families on the Turon, Limekilns, and Mitchell's Creek as any, including I may say, the Drews. Mrs Drew being a daughter of the late Samuel Armour of McGraths Hill. Moreover the first contract I took on the creek was to get quartz out of Taylor and Poyitt's lease. Mrs Poyitt also being a sister of "Sam Armour Jnr" and working with me was "**Young Sam Taylor"** and a younger brother. So it will be seen there was two pairs of "Sams" senior and junior. Windsor business people will no doubt remember the younger **Sam Taylor** canvassing for his father the brush maker, of Queens Place and his Uncle Mr **Joseph (Old Joe) Taylor** before him. "Old Joe" was also with us at Mitchells Creek, and he and I were able to compare notes about the world's great metropolis, for he was a Londoner to his spinal marrow. Both "Old Joe" and "Young Sam" have been dead many a year, and old **Mr Taylor** died some years later. I remember when the old gentleman purchased the brush making business in York St (I forget his predecessors name just now), and with it the large factory at Canterbury. Later on he removed to Bridge Street, having a retail shop in that street, and a factory at the rear, with a front to Queen's Place, where the business is now carried on by his sons –in-law, Messes Lorking and McCloy, (the latter being an old Sofala crony of mine, and I can still count on him as a friend). **Taylor's** brushware was famous in the firms early days, for **Mr Taylor** was an expert and made a very superior article, but of course it doesn't pay now days to make such brushes as he made them. The times have changed and we change with them. Old **Mr Taylor** was a very shrewd, sagacious man, and thus he acquired property in many directions, at the Limekilns, Mitchell's Creek, Canterbury, Camperdown, Forrest Lodge, Sydney, North Sydney, and on the Hawkesbury, no less. It was many years ago when he was quite a young man that he settled down on that beautiful flat a little below Mangrove wharf, where he built a commodious hotel, which he called the "Green Man", the stone chimney of which can still be seen from the river (however I have often seen it when passing), and I have often heard the story from **Mr Taylor** of how he came to "squat" there. I noticed a while ago that this property was offered for sale, though I believe it is still in the hands of the family, "Young Sam's" sons. In those days there was abundance of good timber and a little creek running in from the river facilitated shipment, either of heavy logs of good iron bark or fire wood, and quite a fleet of small craft was employed running between Sydney and the Lower Hawkesbury, timber

landed one way and with provisions etc the other. Mrs Armour's mother died early, leaving two children, the late Mrs Armour and the late Mrs Tobin (who owned the Limekilns property). **Mr Taylor's** second wife was a Miss Kelly, and she had a large family, they were grown-up daughters when I first knew them at Mitchell's Creek in 64. Mrs O'Neil (Mary) being the first to die, and I went with her father to select a piece of ground at Rookwood on the occasion of her death. Besides Mrs O'Neil , there were buried there, one or two brothers, Uncle Joe, her mother, and now her half sister Mrs Fanny Armour, together with the remains of the first **Mrs Taylor,** which were removed from the old burial ground in Devonshire Street where they had laid for many years close by Belmore road, near the corner opposite Toohey's brewery.

Then in 1908 the same author wrote an IN MEMORIAM for James McCloy, and mentions the Taylor connections.

I have written many In Memoriams in my time , but none that have been so difficult to approach as this remenisant yarn about my dear old friend "Jemmy" McCloy. It was but a few weeks ago that I saw him at his place of business in Queen's Place Sydney, looking as hale, strong and hearty as ever despite his snowy head as white as my own, by the by. Now he lies peacefully sleeping by the sea waves out there at Waverly, where we buried him on Tuesday afternoon. Yes, quite a crowd of us, relatives, old friends, bowling associates and fellow craftsmen from Queen's Place, gathered by the pit dug in the sand ready to receive the body of him we knew and loved so well. For "Jemmy" was one of those so-stable sunny natures that command love and confidence.

And what mattered, the keen cutting breeze and the salt mist from the ocean or the drizzling rain?. We were to pay him our last earthly tribute to our old friend, whose personalty and many good qualities will, I trust, be long remembered by those of a younger generation. While those of us who were his contemporaries in the "good old days" will carry with us to the grave loving recollections of him.

When I last saw James McCloy, three weeks ago he seemed to me to be good for another twenty years, and that he would most likely see me tucked under the sod comfortably, Alas!, it is the other way about; the older and weaker man is left, left to mourn the loss of a good friend of close on fifty years standing.

We never know what may happen, there be accidents and sudden death as well as diseases and long drawn out infirmities, and my friend succumbed to the first. A moving train, a miscalutlation a moments forgetfulness and there you are, a strong man lies at deaths door. He is borne home unconscious, paralyzed and he ebbs slowly away, for the grim old reaper came just twenty-four hours after the fall. And mercifully the victim never knew what had happened.

As a friend of fifty years, I may venture to say something of the boom times in Sofala, when I first knew James McCloy and that was at the latter end of 59, just after the disastrous rush to the Fitzroy. I may however first state that the McCloys came to NSW in 1818, Jemmy having been born in Glasgow in the year 12 and other members of the family at Sterling. About the year 52 Stewart McCloy, his wife and family settled at Sofala where they lived until the old people died and the younger members of the family married and removed to other parts. Two, Mrs Hogsflesh and Mrs Brooks (Janet) were married when I was in Sofala about 1860, I think, and both are now dead, the former in the early sixties and Mrs Brooks a few years ago. Well do I remember the clan McCloy working on Mundy Point. They all resided in Sofala, but walked to their claim every morning, almost invariably followed by quite a pack of dogs, for they were all dog fanciers. First there was old Stewart, his sons Jem and Will, sons-in-law Alf Hogsflesh and Charlie Brooks and Monteith, a brother-in-law. But later on Jemmy, Charlie and I worked together in the Tunnel Company's big claim in Sofala Reach, and I may say, I was a constant visitor at one or other of their houses, and old hands will remember Alf Hogsflesh's pretty little cottage in the main street with it's profusion of flowers and fruit trees. Alf was a Richmond man, and was the first to grow peaches on the Turon.

In those days Jemmy and I were almost inseparables, we worked together often on the night shift, when our shovel handles would freeze during smoke ho, and in our spare time, dancing, boxing, billiards, and bagatelle, for my old friend was expert in all, as also in other sports, including cricket. Jem was the best amateur boxer in the township and could hold his own with the best of the professionals. The same with billiards and but few could touch him, and later on at Mitchell's Creek, he, Sam Armour, Bob Drew and I were about the best.

It was at Mitchell's Creek that Jem McCloy met his fate, as indeed I met mine. The late **Sam Taylor** of the Limekilns opened the first pub at the creek. Which however was kept later on was by Sam Armour ("Young Sam" for old Mr Armour was then alive and both were old Turonites) his son-in-law. It was here that Jem met his future wife, **Miss Sarah Taylor,** and they were married at Sofala in the early part of 65, and at the same time Bella Armour (Young Sam's sister) gave herself away to Eb Davis, both well known in later years at the half-way house on the Carcoar road. Another sister of Sam Armours was the late Mrs Poyett (some of the family are at Sunny Corner to-day), yet another is Mrs Attewell, also of Sunny Corner, and Mrs Drew is another. So it will be seen that the **Taylors,** Armours, and McCloys form quite a large connection.

I left the creek in 64 and was married in 66 and during these years my old friend was mining in several localities and finally settled down in Sydney at **Mr Taylors** (his father-in-law) brush-making establishment in York Street, which he had purchased from McMahon the founder of the business. Now it was never any trouble to Jem McCloy to learn any sort of handicraft, he was expert in the use of tools, and generally clever in most things. Thus he soon became an expert in his new calling, and from that day to the day of the sad accident which caused his death, James McCloy stuck to the game, first in York Street and then in Queen's Place, where the business of **Samuel Taylor and Samuel Taylor and Co** has been carried on for over forty years. When **Mr Samuel Taylor** died a few years ago, his sons **Samuel** and **Benjamin** having pre-deceased him, my old friend and his brother-in-law M S R Lorking took charge of the business and as executors managed it for the surviving members of the **Taylor** family. The late Mr McCloy resided at Canterbury where the late **Mr S Taylor** had considerable property, and it was at Canterbury railway station (close by his home) where the accident which deprived him of life occurred.

Of the McCloys that went to Sofala in 52 only one survives, William the youngest, whom many of the "Mercury's" readers will remember as "Mine Host" of the old "Globe Inn", now kept by Mrs Hyland though under another sign. William McCloy married a daughter of another old Sofala identity, Ellen the second daughter of the late Stephen Swain, who, I am sure is not yet forgotten.

It is wonderful how these old families got linked together and then dispersed. There is a Steve Swain at Peak Hill (the son of the "Old Steve of my day), and there are two daughters in Sydney. William McCloy has a daughter at Marburg (Q), and James McCloy's only child is Mrs Hudson, wife of George Inglis Hudson the well known proprietor of the famous eumenthol jujubes, now of Queen's Place, but formerly of Ipswich (Q.).

It can be understood by the foregoing that there was a large gathering at the graveside of my old friend on Tuesday afternoon inst. There were McCloys, Hudsons, Lorkings, Joyces, Armours, and Greens all relatives. The Tobins, (Limekilns) Poyitts and Drews not being able to attend, probably on account of distance. Then there were Canterbury aldermen, Marrickville and Petersham bowlers and the employees of **S Taylor and Co** besides old friends. Only a few yards from my old chum's grave rises the graceful marble monument erected over the grave of Henry Kendall and close by again is the grave of a dear little grandchild, removed from Ipswich last year, and whose grave I saw when visiting Queensland two years ago.

And just as I am closing this, I see another old Turonite has" shuffled of this mortal coil" in the person of Ned Pollett, and Ned and Jem McCloy were also very great friends. McCloy died July 12 and Pollett on the 11th, and he too I see is buried at Waverley, which by the look of it, is a favorite place of sepulture.

Among his many accomplishments James McCloy was a very sweet singer. His singing was tuneful, soft and low and his songs sung at those big entertainments given by the Sofala Minstrels in aid of the Sofala Hospital nearly half a century ago will be remembered by old hands. His favorites were "The Cottage by the Sea", "The Star Lit Dell", "By the Sad Sea Waves", "The Old Water Mill", "Belle Brandon", "Rosalie the Prarie Flower", "My Old Kentucky Home", "Good Night", "Hard Times Come Again No More", "The Hazel Dell",

"She never Blamed Him, Never", and but few of them are sung to-day if ever known. But where are the minstrels to day? Ah! Where? They were Bill Charters, Will Hall, Jem McCloy, Drek Paynter, Alf Robinson, and Jem Bennett, and the only one in the land of the living to-day, I think is Will Hall and he poor fellow is lying on his beam ends at his home at Rylstone having been kicked by a horse.
Then there were the Creek Minstrels and again McCloy was among them as also Bill Charters with them too was Tom Everitt who lies snug in Tambarooar having been killed at Hill End. And so they have gone one by one and Jemmy and I used to compare notes and tick them off as they disappeared. Of the older men there were Torpy, Wild, Hyde of the old Engine Company Erskine Flat, the two Byers of the Tunnel party, one lying at Ipswich (Q.) the other in Sofala church yard, brave old John Morgan and his friend Johnny Williams, Bob Hayes, Jem Filling Frank Wright Ex MP and Minister of the Crown, buried at Rookwood, old Ned Bridges (Long Ned) killed at Mitchell's Creek, Sam Armour lies at Rookwood, and so alas does Alf Robinson. Where they buried old Steve Swain I don't know, neither do I know the resting-place of Jemmy Forsyth or Bob Johnstone, old mates on the Turon but in their later years influential men of business in Sydney. Many I have lost the run of for years and don't know whether they are living or dead, though the other day I saw that Jem Shervey of Capertee whom I knew at Erskine Flat and Mitchell's Creek had gone over to the great majority, his two brothers George and Dave having predeceased him years ago. All three were well known on the Mudgee road while a sister Mrs Leighton is I think still living at Running Stream.
But the old names crowd in upon one's memory and there are so many of them that I may not refer to them all though I may remark that of the number I knew on the Turon in the fifties and sixties I have met but very few since. I left Sofala in 63, one or two at Gulgong a few in Sydney and a stray one in Queensland. Most of them are gathered in, no doubt and a few hours a day spent amongst those pages of history writ on stone which crowd our metropolitan burial grounds would probably reveal their present diggings. Anyhow I know where lies the body of my Turon chum James McCloy and when I visit his grave out there facing the rising sun as he lifts his golden arch over the distant blue line of ocean, I can say with truth "There was a man I loved, May he rest in peace, Good night old friend, Sleep give thee all his rest"

TAYLOR

1. **Samuel Taylor** b. England, m. **Sarah Green.**

Children:

2. i Samuel Taylor b. 00-00-1815.
   ii Joseph Taylor b. 00-00-1822, England.
   iii Annie Taylor b. England, m. in Surry England, **Francis Ward.** Francis, Doctor, Baulkhan Hill Surry England
   iv Harriet Taylor b. England, m. in London, **William Storrer.** William: Accountant, of London

Second Generation

2. **Samuel Taylor** b. 1815, London, Inn Keeper; Brush Maker, m. (1) in Gravesend England, **Lady Harriet Draugharty,** b. 1812, d. 07-05-1841, Sydney, buried: Devonshire St Rookwood, m. (2) 1850, in Windsor, **Mary James (nee Kelly**), occupation inn Keeper. Samuel died 08-01-1895, 106 Pyrmont Bridge Rd Glebe, buried: Weslyan, Rookwood. Founder of Samuel Taylor & Co, makers of Mortien , & other aerosol products. Lady: Suffered from a blood disorder Mary: Daughter of Edward & Mary Kelly.

Children by Lady Harriet Draugharty:

3. i Frances(Fanny)Taylor b. 11-06-1837.
   ii Harriet Taylor b. 07-06-1839, England, m. 07-06-1861, in Bathurst, **Thomas James Tobais Tobin,** b. 1841, Limekilns, d. 1909. Harriet died 03-08-1892.

Children by Mary James (nee Kelly):

   iii Samuel Taylor b. 06-03-1843,Hawksbury, m. **Elizabeth**. Samuel died 30-12-1893 Nt Sydney, buried: St Thomas Nt Sydney Twin to Mary
   iv Mary Taylor b. 06-03-1843, Hawksbury, d. 1878.
   v Edward Taylor b. 05-07-1845, Hawksbury, d. 1866, Bathurst. Twin to Sarah
4. vi Sarah Edith Taylor b. 05-07-1845.
   vii Charles Taylor b. 00-00-1847, Horse Dealer, m.-1877, in Bathurst, **Louisa Roseworn.** Charles died 28-02-1894, Canterbury, buried: Canterbury.
   viii Anne Taylor b. 07-03-1849. Spinster
5. ix Ellen Taylor b. 00-00-1850.
   x Mary A Taylor b. 00-00-1851, Windsor.
   xi Benjamin Taylor b. 01-02-1853, Sofala, d. 1874, Sydney.
   xii Catherine Taylor b. 00-00-1855, Sofala, m. 1877, in Sydney, **Gould Scott.** Cath d. 27-05-1904,
   xiii Louise D Taylor b. 00-00-1858, Sofala, d. 1863, Bathurst.

Third Generation

3. **Frances (Fanny) Taylor** b. 11-06-1837, England, m. 1859, in Sofala, **Samuel Armour**, b. 15-04-1833, Dow Ireland, occupation Vet, innkeeper ,butcher,, d. 14-03-1904, Nt Sydney, buried: Rookwood (Wes). Frances died 14-03-1904, Nt Sydney. Samuel: Took over hotel at Mitchells Cr from father-in-law Samuel Taylor. Father Samuel mother Agnes Ann Peel

Children:

6. i Harriet Agnes Armour b. 07-04-1860.
   ii Samuel Armour b. 00-00-1862, Sofala, occupation Bricklayer.
   iii William E Armour b. 00-00-1864, Orange, m. 1898, in Windsor, **Bennett R M Brown.**
   iv Alfred Armour b. 00-00-1867, Orange.
   v Male Armour b. 00-00-1869, Orange, d. 1869, Orange.
   vi Ada Beatrice Armour b. 00-00-1874, Bathurst, m. 1900, in Annandale, **Henry Curruthers,** occupation Carriage Builder.
   vii Arthur R Armour b. 00-00-1877, Windsor.
   viii Fanny Louisa Armour b. 14-02-1879, Windsor. Spinster

4. **Sarah Edith Taylor** b. 05-07-1845, Hawksbury, m. 10-04-1865, in Limekilns by Rev Mr Caidwell, **James McCloy**
Children:

i	Mary L McCloy	b. 00-00-1866, Bathurst,	m. 1889, in Sydney, **George Hudson.**

5. **Ellen Taylor** b. 1850, m. 1876, in Sydney, Sydney **Robert Parry Lorking.**
Children:

i	Ethel May Lorking.	

Fourth Generation

6. **Harriet Agnes Ar**mour b. 07-04-1860, Sofala, m. 1882, in Windsor, **Henry Green,** occupation Builder.
Children:

i	Harry Green	b. 01-11-1883, Windsor.
ii	Annie Green	b. 26-02-1885.
iii	Alfred Green	b. 00-00-1887, St Leonards.
iv	Charles C Green	b. 07-11-1888, St Leonards.
v	Arthur L Green	b. 17-08-1890, St Leonards.
vi	Frederick B Green	b. 00-00-1892, St Leonards.
vii	Harriett Green	b. 31-08-1894, Mosman.
viii	Bertie Green	b. 10-05-1897.
ix	John Green	b. 00-00-1903, St Leonards.

Mine Host of the "Diggers Arms"



Samuel Taylor



Mrs Taylor

THEOBALD

Henry Theobald 1st arrived in Australia in 1855, he was born in Bavaria Germany 1839.
His parents were Heindsh a factory manager and Thillipinia Woel.
He had a younger brother Peter arrive with him , I know little of him . He was a shoemaker and died in Bathurst 1898
The first record I can find of Henry 1st is when in 1865 he signed a petition for a post office at Palmers Oakey.
4th Jan 1868 Henry 1st married a local lass Eliza Jane Franks at Palmers Oakey. The minister was Colin Stewart and the witnesses were Peter Theobald and Jane Virginia Ferguson. They went on to have a large family 17 in all . Over time most moved away but some married into local families, Hyde, Franks, Lewis.

When Henry 1st took up land and settled down in Palmers Oakey I don't know, but they lived for a while in Tobins Oakey, and that is where Henry 2nd was born 15-12-1869. Eliza who was a big woman , over a 100 Kgs, used to walk from their camp in Tobins Oakey over to the Palmers Oakey home on a regular basis to feed animals , water garden etc.
Where Henry 1st and family lived was about 3 Km along the Sofala road on the land now (2011) owned by Morcombes.
He lived till 26-6-1900 and is buried at Palmers Oakey and Eliza died 5-5-1928 and is buried with Henry.
Henry 2nd who was known as Harry stayed in the area, married the girl next door, Olive May Franks (Ollie), lived at "Hillsdale" at the Sofala, /Capertee cross roads, and raised 6 children.
Harry spent most of his life looking for gold, and mixed with the gold digging he ran sheep and cattle , bee farmed and worked for locals .
Harry put a lot of effort into gold, as he was one of the builders of the Moonlight gold race, about 22 Km long.
In his spare time he would walk the bush shooting, skins for money, meat for the pot and food for his dogs, he loved his dogs almost as much as his family. Harry was a honest man, my father said " if Harry owed you a penny he would be on the doorstep next morning with it" Harry was also a very proud man. On one occasion his son Ray, in a temper waved a knife at his mother Ollie. One of the other boys rode up to Kelvin to get my father and his father to " come quick, dads going to kill Ray". Dad said when they arrived (in the T Ford) Harry was down by the creek sitting on a log with Ray by his side, (not happy) When asked what the problem was , Harry replied " no boy of mine will do that, I gonna drown him". A lot of talk and Harry relented and Ray was saved, only to fall victim of one of the children's "fevers" that were at large in those days. Harry and Ray now share the same grave in the Palmers Oakey cemetery.
Harry and Ollies children grew up here , Jack married and lived in the house for some years then moved to Wallerawang to work at the new power station. Charlie married , lived at home , moved to "Oaks" then to Sunny Corner. Edna married and lived at Scotts Warrie, then Martins, then Capertee, Ernie worked local for a while then moved to Lithgow , Frank finished school, lived with the Fergusons at Kelvin, married, lived at "Oaks" then to Wallerawang to work at the power station, Kevin worked for Shumacks, Fergusons, then to Wallerawang also, then married.
Ollie was a wonderful mother and wife, she was very hospitable , and a wonderful cook. Many a time when down that end of the valley it was not hard to find an excuse to visit, and enjoy her cooking. She stayed on here for a while after Harrys death 7-10-1948 and in 1954 moved to Wallerawang to be near her kids.
The last of the Theobalds moved out of Palmers Oakey on the 31st October 1983 after 128 years

From The History of Palmers Oakey

1865	H Theobald signed petition for Post Office at Palmers Oakey.
04-01-1868	Henry Theobald married Eliza Jane Franks at Palmers Oakey. The minister was Colin Stewart and the witnesses were Peter Theobald and Jane Virginia Ferguson.
14-03-1868	Emma Theobald born. (died 04-06-1956 buried Rookwood)
15-12-1869	Henry Theobald born. (died 07-10-1948 buried P.O.)
21-04=1871	Elizabeth Jane Theobald born. (died 09-09-1959 buried Penrith)
25-01-1873	Peter Charles Theobald born.(died 28-08-1938 buried Botany, Sydney)
29-06-1874	Albert Joseph Theobald born. (buried P.O.)
24-06-1876	John Albert Theobald born. (died 04-05-1909 buried Rookwood)
03-08-1878	Walter Arthur Theobald born.(died 30-01-1962 cremated Rookwood)
06-09-1880	Eliza Jane Theobald born.(died 06-01-1959)
	William Francis Theobald born (died 07-04-1949 buried Bathurst)
1883	Peter Theobald received a registered letter at P 0 post office
1883	Peter Jr, Henry Jr, John, and Walter Theobald were attending the Upper Turon school
	Edward Thomas Theobald born (died 19-06-1972 Cremated Pine Grove)
	Henry Theobald received a registered letter at P 0 post office
17-01-1887	Mary Ann Theobald born (died 26-08-1966 buried Rookwood)
30-12-1887	Henry Theobald Jr. received the right to run his stock on the Palmers Oakey common.
1888	Henry Theobald received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey post office.
27-04-1889	Robert James Theobald born (died 01-11-1931 buried PO)
	Peter Theobald Jr was granted the right to run his stock on the common.
	Henry Theobald received a registered letter at P 0 post office.
	Helena Alice (Doll) Theobald born (died 19-08-1952 buried Penrith)
00--01-1892	Henry Theobald at a meeting of commoners proposed Henry Buckerfield as a Trustee and seconded a motion that Dan Hopkins be a Trustee
	Alfred Herbert Richard Theobald born (died 06-11-1984 buried Pine Grove)
03-01-1893	Olive May Franks born (married Henry Theobald Jr 18-09-1911)
02-09-1893	At a commoners meeting Henry Theobald proposed that D D Munro be a Trustee.
25-11-1893	Henry, Peter and Henry Jr Theobald had their common rights cancelled for being non resident.
23-12-1893	Henry, Henry Jr, Peter and John Theobald applied for common rights.
	At a commoners meeting Henry Theobald seconded a motion that F H Buckerfield be a Trustee, and **Peter Theobald** seconded a motion that J Dunkel be a Trustee. At that meeting **Henry Theobald Jr** became a Trustee
	Alexander Lewis Theobald born (died 19-08-1969 buried Lithgow)
01-09-1896	Amelia Ann (Dot) Theobald born (died 20-07-1978 buried Capertee) MarriedArthurHyde.
10-09-1896	Common trust received a letter from Jabek Brown asking them to order H Theobald Snr to remove a fence of his which was on Crown Land. Trust did not comply.
08-10-1898	Henry Theobald Jr seconded a motion that P Munro be a Trustee

21-02-1899	Henry Theobald applied for Portion 3 Dulabree, (values . Cottage #15. Clearing #3. Fencing #2.) 14-07-1899 Henry Theobald Jr chairman of trust.
	W Theobald seconded a motion at a commoners meeting that W Smith be a Trustee
	William Theobald granted common rights
	Robert Theobald received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey post office
26-06-1900	Henry Theobald Snr died from pleurisy
28-06-1900	Henry Theobald Snr buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery
	Martha Kathleen Theobald born (died 17-10-1900)
	Walter Theobald elected as common Trustee
1903	Voters Roll listed Eliza Jane Theobald , Henry Theobald , Walter Arthur Theobald and William Theobald
	William Theobald elected as common trustee
	William Theobald chairman of trust
	Walter Theobald received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey post office
1905	Walter H Theobald received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey post office
1905	Common Roll listed, Henry, Mrs E , William , Edward and Walter Theobald
	Voters Roll listed Eliza Jane, Henry, Walter Arthur and William Theobald
05-01-1907	Henry Theobald elected as common trustee
26-10-1907	Henry Theobald chairman of trust
1907	Fred Theobald received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey post office
1907	Common trust paid **Henry Theobald** and Dan Hopkins £1 -16-0 for making a right away for stock to get to the river
21-03-1908	**Henry Theobald** moved a motion at a trust meeting that the trust call tenders to cover the holes on the lower common
19-09-1908	**Henry Theobald** proposed that R D McKinnon be a trustee
1908	Voters Roll listed **Eliza Jane , Henry, Edward , William and John Theobald**
1908	**William Theobald** listed on common roll as mail contractor
16-01-1909	At a common trust meeting **Henry Theobald** moved that trust remove and re-erect certain fencing
18-09-1911	**Henry Theobald** married Olive May Franks.
00-04-1912	**Raymond Theobald** born
06-02-1914	A trustees meeting was hold on this date when **Mrs Theobald** was granted a commoners right and the secretary was ordered to notice **Alick Theobald** to remove his stock as he was not intitled (sic) commoners right
24-06-1916	A Trustees meeting was held at this date for the purpose of putting up notices for entering all stock and also giving **Mrs Theobald** notice to keep off her stock.
11-11-1916	A meeting of trustees was held on the above date and it was decided to impowr (sic) the secretary on behalf of trustees to object to all applications of larg ares (sic). An application by **A Theobald** was also objected to
30-11-1918	A trustees meeting **was held on above date to examine tenders for clearing briars off 50 acres of common. One tender was submitted by W F Theobald** at 4/- an acre.
1918	**E Theobald, R Theobald &A Theobald** were members of the Palmers Oakey Tennis Club

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1919

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No. Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
33 THEOBALD	Alexander Lewis	M	Palmers Oakey	Labourer
34 Theobald	Eliza Jane	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
35 Theobald	Henry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
36 Theobald	Edward Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
37 Theobald	Olive May	F	Palmers Oakey	HD
38 Theobald	William Francis	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
39 Theobald	Robert James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1921

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No. Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
29 THEOBALD	Eliza Jane	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
30 Theobald	Henry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
31 Theobald	Edward Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
32 Theobald	Olive May	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
33 Theobald	William Francis	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
34 Theobald	Robert James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

25-08-1927	Raymond Theobald died (buried P 0 Cemetery)
05-05-1928	Eliza Jane Theobald died (buried P 0 cemetery)
29-11-1928	Francis Herbert Theobald born.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1928

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No. Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
26 THEOBALD	Eliza Jane	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
27 Theobald	Henry	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
28 Theobald	Edward Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
29 Theobald	Olive May	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
30 Theobald	Lillian May	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
31 Theobald	Robert James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

12-05-1933	Bababra Papworth born (married Frank Theobald)
1935	W Theobald removed from the Recreation Trust

15-02-1936 --- 28-03-1936 **Charlie & Ernest Theobald** working for D T Ferguson

27-03-1937 Theobalds & Fergusons duck shooting on Turon River.

29-08-1938 **Peter Theobald** died.

19-08-1939 A public meeting was held at the Recreation Reserve. Business in hand to tender the resignation **of H Theobald** and to discuss the erection of a tennis court.

17-07-1943 **BabraraTheobald** born (Charlie Elma)

1949 **J Theobald, C Theobald, F Theobald & K Theobald** played in various tennis matches for P O.

00-01-1950 **K Theobald** on workers comp. for 4 ½ days @ £3-15-0 per week.

23-05-1950 **C Theobald** drove 200 wethers to Capertee for Est E Ferguson and loaded onto rail to go to Homebush.

29-08-1951 **F Theobald** took 36 sheep to Bathurst sale yards by motor lorry for D L Ferguson. (This may have been the first truck load of stock to be moved out of the valley)

04-11-1951 C Munro sold "Knights Gully" to **F Theobald** but the Dep of Lands said they would not give their consent to the sale because it would not give both an adequate area for home maintenance. This took some time to resolve.
F Theobald moved Bob Howes stock 4 sheep and 1 calf to Greshamstown.

17-05-1952 **F Theobald** married Barbra Papworth at Springwood.
J **Theobald drove** 18 cattle from 'Kia-0ra" to Tom Burke's property at Bathurst

.25-10-1953 **Frank & Babs Theobald** had a daughter Julie.

11-04-1953 **Thelma Theobald** killed in a car smash on the Gr Western Hwy at Yetholme. She is buried at Palmers Oakey

07-08-1954 **Mrs O.M Theobald** left to live in Wallerawang.

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members for 1955

Mrs F Alexander, Mrs C Munro, **Mrs F Theobald, Mrs J T Theobald,** Mrs S Wilkinson, Mrs D Ferguson, Miss Joan Miller, Miss Pat Miller, F Alexander, **F Theobald,** C Ferguson, S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson, **J Theobald,** C Munro D L Ferguson

15-09-1955 Bush fire brigade meeting at D L Fergusons. Moved office bearers be the same as last year. Equipment on hand. 1 Power spray, 2 knapsacks, 2 x 44 gal drums, Present W Shumack, E J Bennett, **F Theobald, J Theobald**, T Ferguson, D Ferguson, S Wilkinson, C Munro, P Manning.

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members for 1956

Mrs C Alexander, Mrs C Munro, Mrs B Hurst, Mrs W Ferguson, **Mrs M Theobald,** Miss J Miller, Miss P Miller, F Alexander C Munro, B Hurst,

23-02-1958 Jack & Marj Theobald had a son Terrence, George.

07-07-1959 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club reformed at a meeting held at "Oaks", and it was discussed if the court was to have lights. Moved D Ferguson seconded B Thompson that W K Shumack be Chairman. Moved D Ferguson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that C D Munro be Vice Chairman. Moved B Thompson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that C Ferguson be Secretary. Moved B Thompson seconded C D Munro that D Ferguson be Treasurer. Moved B Thompson seconded S Knight that membership fees be Ladies 10/- and Gents £1-0-0. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that Committee go ahead and light the court and arrange means of financing same. Moved B Thompson seconded **J Theobald** that a fat lamb be raffled tickets to be 1/- each. Moved B Thompson seconded J Ryndus that treasurer purchase 10 x 100 raffle books. Moved D Thompson seconded E J Bennett that Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Treasurer form sub-committee for raffle. Moved S Wilkinson seconded **J Theobald** sub-committee investigate cost of lighting and arrange for next meeting.
W Shumack, E J Bennett, **J T Theobald**, C D Munro, R McKinnon, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, Mrs W K Shumack, A Wilkinson, Mrs C D Munro, Mrs D L Ferguson,

07-10-1959 Bush fire meeting held at "Oaks", Present C Shumack, D Ferguson, W Shumack, B Thompson, D Thompson, E Maloney, A Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, E Bennett, **J Theobald,** C Munro, C Ferguson. Officers were as last year and no levy. Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present W Shumack chairman, D Ferguson, C Ferguson, C Munro, C Shumack, E Bennett, B Thompson, D Thompson, **J Theobald.** Office bearers as last year. Levy 5/- per 1000 sheep.

29-06-1961 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" 8.40 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, Mrs S Wilkinson. S Knight, D Ferguson, **J Theobald,** C Munro, C Ferguson. Apology from E Bennett. Moved D Ferguson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson minutes as read be passed. Letter from Mrs J D Martin thanking club for a donation of a cup and help given to Dark Corner Tournament to raise funds for the Red Cross Silver Bride Competition. Accounts Bank £42-5-7 Cash £1-18-0 £44-3-7 D Ferguson reported Rec Trustees had received a grant of £50-0-0. S Knight reported tape would cost £21 -0-0, it was decided it was too dear. Treasurer reported a/c was opened at bank. Moved S Knight seconded S Wilkinson that executives action re Dark Corner Cup be endorsed, cost £2-5-0. Moved D Ferguson seconded Mrs S Wilkinson Sec obtain quotes to light court and members also find out what they could re types of lights etc. Moved S Wilkinson seconded S Knight, Deadline for installation be 30-9-61. Moved S Knight seconded
Mrs S Wilkinson that Annual Meeting be held 20-7-61 and sec send notices to all members.

18-07-1961 Annual Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Meeting held at "Oaks" 8-10 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, D Thompson, B Thompson, Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, **J Theobald,** C Munro, S Knight, D Ferguson, C Ferguson. Apology A Wilkinson. Moved D Ferguson seconded C Munro that minutes be passed. No Correspondence. Treasurer reported Credit Bal £45-13-7. Sec read quotes for lights installation. T Banfield Bathurst £160-0-0 and Barry Murphy Wallerawang £120-0-0. Moved D Thompson seconded **J Theobald** that B Murphy be contacted for a more definite quote and if right go ahead. Moved B Thompson seconded D Ferguson Hartley C C be contacted re power cost. Moved Mrs S Wilkinson seconded S Knight that Ex notify date of work on court. Moved C Munro seconded Mrs S Wilkinson that Ex set date of next meeting .

05-10-1962 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks", present W Shumack chairman, C Shumack, E Maloney, D Ferguson, C Ferguson, **J Theobald,** E Bennett, C Munro, A B Thompson, D Thompson. Office bearers as last year.

31-08-1963 Rodney Theobald married.

04-03-1964 Bush Fire Brigade meeting. Present W Shumack, C Munro, D Ferguson, E Bennett, **J Theobald,** C Ferguson. Business to elect delegates to Shire meeting and order equipment.

00-05-1964 **Charlie Theobald** had heart attack at home and taken to Bathurst Hospital.

23-05-1964 **Barbara Theobald** married Harry Dinger at Bathurst.

13-04-1965 Bill Shumack moved rabbit chiller from **Theobalds** to Fergusons as C Ferguson had taken over the running of it.
From the 27-4-65 the rabbit chiller at Fergusons loaded 4376 rabbits for an income to the locals of £613-9-1 ½ . The top trappers were **Charlie Theobald** with 1385 £202-3-6, **Frank Theobald** 973 £130-16-11, Clive Munro 916 £125-0-0, Colin Ferguson 613 £58-0-0, Len Munro 221 £25-3-1 The price of rabbits started out at 5/- per pair and rose to 6/3 by 26-8-65.

28-04-1972	Edna Lonergan (nee Fuller, nee **Theobald**) died.
30-10-1973	**Alan Theobald** had a heart attack, ambulance took him to Bathurst hospital.
29-06-1974	**Mrs 0 M Theobald** (nee Franks) died.
26-09-1974	**Charlie Theobald** died. Charlie and his son Robbie were burning tussocks on his property Elbourn's Bald Hill when Charlie had a heart attack. Robbie drove to Fergusons to get help. An ambulance was called while Colin Ferguson and Clarrie Cupitt went to Charlie but he was dead when they arrived. His body was brought down to the main road in a Land Rover and transferred to the ambulance.
30-09-1974	**Charlie Theobald** buried in Bathurst cemetery.
00-09-1977	David and Pam Church bought "Kia-Ora" from **Theobalds.**
05-05-1979	**Raymound Theobald** buried at Bathurst, he was killed in a bike accident.
22-08-1979	Burn off in Nature Reserve-Mt Horrible. Bill Shumack, Clive Munro, **David Theobald,** Les Cochrane, Roger Bushell, Hamish Thompson, Bob Jecks, Tom Shepherd, Colin Ferguson. Ossie Stark, 3 NPWS men.
27-05-1982	**Alan Theobald** died.
01-06-1982	**Alan Theobalds** funeral in Bathurst.
31-10-1983	**Theobalds moved out,** (there had been **Theobalds** here for about 128 years) sold out to John Peters.
16-08-1984	John (Jack) Thomas **Theobald** died. **Jack Theobald** buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery
25-10-1992	Franks-**Theobald** reunion at Martins

COMMON RECORDS.

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE	
	Henry Theobald	2		
1880	Peter Theobald	3		
	Henry Theobald	2		
1881	Peter Theobald	3		
	Peter Theobald	5		
1882	Henry Theobald	2		
1883	Peter Theobald	3		
1883	Henry Theobald	3		
	Peter Theobald	3		
1884	Henry Theobald	2		
1885	Henry Theobald	5		
	Henry Theobald	3	5.	
	Peter Theobald	1		
1886	Henry Theobald Jr	1		
	Henry Theobald	5	4.	
1887	Peter Theobald	2.		
1888	Henry Theobald	7	5.	
1888	Peter Theobald	1.		
1889	Henry Theobald	7	8.	
	Henry Theobald	4	9	
1890	Henry Theobald Jr	1		
	Henry Theobald	6	14	
1891	Henry Theobald Jr	1		
	Henry Theobald	7	17	
	Henry Theobald Jr	1		
1892	Peter Theobald	1		
	Henry Theobald	1	16	
	Henry Theobald Jr	1	1	
1893	Peter Theobald		2	
	Henry Theobald	8	17	
	Henry Theobald Jr	1		
1894	Peter Theobald		2	
	Henry Theobald	9	16	
	Peter Theobald	1	1	
	John Theobald	1		
1895	Henry Theobald Jr	1		
1896	Peter Theobald	2	1	
1896	Henry Theobald	6	13	
1896	Henry Theobald Jr	2		
	Henry Theobald	8	15	
1897	Henry Theobald A	1		
1898	Henry Theobald	5	15	
1898	Henry Theobald Jr	1		
	Henry Theobald	5	16	
	Henry Theobald Jr	1		
	Henry Theobald Snr	7	10	
	Henry Theobald Jr	2		6 goats
	Peter Theobald	2		
1900	Walter Theobald	1		
	Henry Theobald	1		
	Walter Theobald	1		
1901	Mrs H Theobald Snr	6	17	
	Walter Theobald	1		
1902	Mrs Theobald	8	12	
	Henry Theobald	6		

	Mrs H Theobald		5
	W Theobald 1		
	Henry Theobald	2	
	Mrs H Theobald	4	13
	Walter Theobald	1	
1904	William Theobald	1	
1905	Mrs E Theobald	3	9
1905	Edward Theobald	1	
	Mrs E Theobald	4	9
1907	Mrs H Theobald	3	12
1907	E Theobald	2	
1907	William Theobald	2	
1907	Walter Theobald	2	
1908	Mrs H Theobald		13
1908	W F Theobald	1	
1908	Miss A Theobald		3
1908	R Theobald	4	5
1908	Edward Theobald	2	2
1909	Mrs H Theobald	5	10
1909	W F Theobald	1	3
1909	Henry Theobald	1	6
1909	Miss A Theobald		8
1909	Ed Theobald	1	1

THEOBALD

1. **Henry Theobald** 1st b. 1839, Bavaria Germany, (son of Heinrish Theobald and Thillipinia Woel) 0cc; Gold Miner
m. 04-01-1868, in Palmers Oakey, **Eliza Jane Franks**, b. 1852, England, (**Eliza See Franks Tree**)
d. 05-05-1928, Palmers Oakey, br; Palmers Oakey. Henry died 26-06-1900, Palmers Oakey. Arrived In Australia -1855
Married at Palmers Oakey by Rev Colin Stewart. Witness Peter Theobald & Jane Virginia Ferguson.

Children:

2.	i	Emma Theobald	b. 14-03-1868.	
3.	ii	Henry Theobald	b. 15-12-1869.	
4.	iii	Elizabeth Jane Theobald	b. 21-04-1871.	
5.	iv	Peter Charles Theobald	b. 25-01-1873.	
	v	Albert Joseph Theobald	b. 29-06-1874,	d. 1876, br; Palmers Oakey.
	vi	John Albert Theobald	b. 24-06-1876,	d. 04-05-1909, br; Rookwood.
6:	vii	Walter Arthur Theobald	b. 03-08-1878.	
7.	viii	Eliza Jane Theobald	b. 06-09-1880.	
8.	ix	William Francis Theobald	b. 25-05-1882.	
9.	x	Edward Thomas Theobald	b. 05-10-1884.	
	xi	Mary Ann Theobald	b. 17-01-1887,	d. 26-08-1966, br; Rookwood.
	xii	Robert James Theobald	b. 27-04-1889,	d. 01-11-1931, br; Palmers Oakey.
10.	xiii	Helena Alice Theobald	b. 21-04-1891.	
11.	xiv	Alfred Herbert Richard Theobald	b. 26-08-1892.	
	xv	Alexander Lewis Theobald	b. 24-08-1894.	
13.	xvi	Amelia Ann Theobald	b. 01-09-1896.	
	xvii	Martha Kathleen Theobald	b. 29-08-1900,	d. 17-10-1900, br; Palmers Oakey.

Second Generation

2. **Emma Theobald** b. 14-03-1868, m. 1886, in Bathurst, **Joseph Kelly**. Emma died 04-06-1956, br; Rookwood.

Children:

	i	Charles A Kelly	b. 00-00-1889, Bathurst.
	ii	Gertrude E Kelly	b. 00-00-1891, Bathurst.
	iii	Mary M Kelly	b. 00-00-1894, Bathurst.

3. **Henry Theobald** b. 15-12-1869, Tobins Oakey, 0cc; Gold Miner, m. 18-09-1911, **Olive May Franks**, b. 03-01-1893,
(**See Franks Tree**) d. 29-06-1974, Wallerawang, br; Palmers Oakey. Henry died 07-10-1948,, br; Palmers Oakey.

Children:

	i	Raymond Theobald	b. 00-04-1912, Palmers Oakey, d. 25-08-1927, br; Palmers Oakey.
	ii	John Thomas Theobald	b. 19-06-1914, Palmers Oakey, m.**Marj Fenton.** John d 16-08-1984, br; P O.
14.	iii	Edna May Theobald	b. 00-00-1915.
15.	iv	Henry Charles Theobald	b. 18-09-19 17.
16.	v	Ernest James Theobald	b. 30-07-1919.
17.	vi	Frank Herbert Theobald	b. 29-10-1928.
21	vii	Kevin Theobald	b. 13-11-1933

4. **Elizabeth Jane Theobald** b. 21-04-1871, m. 1893, in Lithgow, **Charles Lewis,** d. 1905, Lithgow.
Elizabeth died 09-09-1959, br; Penrith. Charles: Father John Mother Eliza

Children:

18.	i	Claude 0 Lewis	b. 00-00-1894.	
19.	ii	Clyde Lewis	b. 00-00-1896.	
20.	iii	Violet Lewis	b. 00-00-1900.	
	iv	Stanley Charles Lewis	b. 00-00-1902, Lithgow,	d. 1945, Lithgow.

5. **Peter Charles Theobald** b. 25-01-1873, m.-1905, in Sydney, **Alice M Hudson**. Peter died 28-08-1938, br; Botany.

Children:

i	Daphne G Theobald	b. 00-00-1906, Redfern.
ii	Albert Theobald	b. 00-00-1908, Waterloo, d. 1915, Annandale.
iii	Kathleen E Theobald	b. 00-00-1909, Redfern, m. 1932, in Randwick, **Bede E Wright.**
iv	Edith M Theobaid	b. 00-00-1911, Sydney, m. 1935, in Randwick, **Arthur J Gunn.**
v	Elsie M Theobald	b. 00-00-1913, Redfern, m. 1943, in Kingsford, **Cecil Percival Burton.**
vi	Petre Joseph Theobald	b. 00-00-1915, Sydney, m. 1939, in Kingsford, **Lilian Selby.**
vii	Cecil Theobald	b. 00-00-1917, Redfern.

6. **Walter Arthur Theobald** b. 03-08-1 878, m. 1911, in Glebe, **Cecilia Marshall**. Walter died 30-01-1962, br; Rookwood.

Children.

i	Mabel Theobald	b. 00-00-1911, Glebe, m. 1935, in Canterbury, **Frank Dingwall.**
ii	Leslie M Theobald	b. 00-00-1916, Canterbury, m. 1945, in Bankstown, **Mavis Gertrude Wail.**
iii	Arthur W Theobald	b. 00-00-1918, Canterbury.

7. **Eliza Jane Theobald** b. 06-09-1880, m. 1910, in Sydney, **Thomas Lewis,** d. 1918, Balmain North. Eliza died 06-01-1959, br; Cremated ashes scattered.

Children:

i	Lillian G Lewis	b. 00-00-1909, Sydney.
ii	John T Lewis	b. 00-00-1911, Balmain North.
iii	Raymond Lewis	b. 00-00-1914, Balmain North.
iv	Marion M Lewis	b. 00-00-1915, Balmain North.
v	Daphne Lewis	b. 00-00-1918, Balmain North.

8. **William Francis Theobald** b. 25-05-1882, m. 1910, in Bathurst, **Bridget Hyde,** b. 1881, Sofala. William died 07-04-1949 , br; Bathurst. **Bridget: See Hyde Tree**

Children:

i	Lynda Theobald	b. 00-00-1913, Bathurst.
ii	Mervyn William Theobald	b. 00-00-1918, Bathurst, m. 1945, in Parramatta, **Joyce O'Sullivan.**

9. **Edward Thomas Theobald** b. 05-10-1884, m. 06-02-1926, in Capertee, **Lillian May Burr**, b. 1902, England, d. 16-04-1999. Edward died 19-06-1972, br; Capertee.

Children:

i	Jessica May Theobald	b. 16-06-1927, m. **??? Barnes.**

10. **Helena Alice Theobald** b. 21-04-1 891, m. (1) 1912, in Bathurst,(1) **Samuel Jameson,** and (2) **James M ????.** Helena died 19-08-1952, br; Penrith.

Children by Samuel Jameson:

i	William J Jameson	b. 00-00-1913, Glebe.
ii	Herbert M Janeson	b. 00-00-1915, Glebe.
iii	Ernest F Jameson	b. 00-00-1918, Glebe.

Children by James M????:

iv	Victor Jameson	b. 00-00-1912, Sofala,	d. 1913, Bathurst.

11. **Alfred Herbert Richard Theobald** b. 26-08-1892, m. 1917, in Rylstone, **Ruby R M Bright**. Alfred died 06-11-1984, br; Pine Grove.

Children:

i	Elma G Theobald	b. 00-00-1918, Rylstone.

13. **Amelia Ann Theobald** b. 01-09-1896, m. 1917, in Sydney, **Arthur Thomas Hyde**, b. 1883, Sofala, d. 01-09-1962, Catertee, br; Capertee. Amelia died 20-07-1978, br; Capertee. **Arthur: See Hyde Tree**

Children:

i	Ruby Stella Hyde	b. 19-01-1917, Redfern, m **Ned Bennett** Ruby d. 19-05-1997, Portland, br; 21-05-1997, Capertee. **Ned See Bennett Tree**
ii	Mick Hyde.	
iii	Thomas Hyde.	
iv	Mary Hyde.	

Third Generation

14. **Edna May Theobald** b. 1915, Palmers Oakey, m. (1) 1936, in Bathurst, **Bertie James Adolphus Fuller,** b. 1892, Mudgee, (son of Lawrence A Fuller and Fanny) Edna died 26-04-1972, br; Capertee.

Children

i	Bertie Fuller.	
ii	John Henry Fuller	b. 08-01-1940, Palmers Oakey, d. 20-11-2000, br; Capertee.
iii	Desmond Fuller.	
iv	Hilton Fuller.	d 2011

15. **Henry Charles Theobald** b. 18-09-1917, Palmers Oakey, m. 1939, in Bathurst, **Elma Mary Guihot**, b. 29-10-1922 , d. 26-08-2003, Bathurst, br; 29-08-2003, Bathurst. Henry died 27-09-1974, Palmers Oakey.

Children:

22.	i	Alan Thèobald	b. 00-00-1940.
	ii	Rodney Theobald.	
23.	iii	Barbara Theobald.	
	iv	Thelma Theobald	d. 11-04-1953, Bathurst Hospital, br; Palmers Oakey. Died car accident
	v	Robert Theobald.	

16. **Ernest James Theobald** b. 30-07-1919, Palmers Oakey, m. 1941, in Bathurst, **Aileen Norma Maclean**, b. 17-08-1923. Ernest died 19-11-2007.

Children:

i Jan Theobald.
ii Sue Theobald.
iii Dianne Theobald.

17. **Frank Herbert Theobald** b. 29-10-1928, Kandos, m. (1) 17-05-1952 in Christ Church Springwood, **Barbara Joan Papworth,** m. (2) 1984, **Gloria Murray,** b. 22-11-1927. Frank died 16-07-2005, Swansea, br; 29-10-2005, Ashes @ Palmers Oakey.

Children by Barbara Joan Papworth:

i Julie Theobald b. 25-10-1953.
ii Debbie Theobald.

21. **Kevin Theobald** b. 13-11-1933, Palmers Oakey, m. 17-11-1956, in St Thomas Wallerawang, **Valma Joan Franks,** b. 28-04-1933, d. 26-12-2010, Wallerawang, br; 30-12-2010, Pipers Flat.

Children:

26. i Christine Anne Theobald b. 29-03-1957.
27. ii Jennifer Gail Theobald b. 30-05-1958.
28. iii Kerry Lynne Theobald b. 21-09-1959.
29. iv Sharon Joy Theobald b. 01-07-1961.
30. v Maureen Elizabeth Theobald b. 04-04-1963.
vi Barry Kevin Theobald b. 24-11-1965.

18. **Claude 0 Lewis** b. 1894, Lithgow, m. 1919, in Rylstone, **Vera Amy G Bright**, b. 1899, Rockley, (daughter of Albert Bright and Mary O'Shea). Claude br; Kingswood.

Children:

i Joan Lewis.
ii Betty Lewis. Twin.
iii Kevin Lewis.
iv Patricia Lewis.
v Joseph Lewis d. 1920, Lithgow.
vi Peggy Lewis d. 1926, Lithgow.

19. **Clyde Lewis** b. 1896, Lithgow, m. 1924, in Lithgow, **Mary Phillis Bright**, b. 1903, Bathurst, (daughter of Herbert Bright and Margaret M Stapleton). Clyde br; Woolongong.

Children:

i Donald Lewis.
ii Phillip Lewis.
iii Doris Lewis.
iv Maureen Lewis.
v Charles Lewis.

20. **Violet Lewis** b. 1900, Lithgow, m. 1921, in Lithgow, **John George Robinson**.

Children:

24. i Merle Robinson.
25. ii Audrey Robinson.

Fourth Generation

22. **Alan Theobald** b. 1940, m. **Fay ????.** Alan died 27-05-1982.

Children:

i Raymond Charles Theobald.
ii Susan Theobald.
iii David Theobald.
iv Colin Theobald.

23. **Barbara Theobald** m. 23-05-1964, in Bathurst, **William Henry Forman (Harry) Dinger**, b. 21-01-1929, d. 20-05-2005,

Children:

i Marlene Dinger.
ii Daryl Dinger b. Bathurst, m. **Kara.**
iii Brett Dinger b. Bathurst, m. **Danielle.**

24. **Merle Robinson** m. **William Milnes**.

Children:

i Michael Milnes d. 1965.

25. **Audrey Robinson** m. **Francis Shepherd.**

Children:

i Susan Shepherd b. 24-11-1958.
31. ii Mark Shepherd b. 17-07-1963.
32. iii John Shepherd b. 08-10-1965.

26. **Christine Anne Theobald** b. 29-03-1957, m. 25-08-1984, **Mark Curran.**

Children:

i Thomas Curran.

27. **Jennifer Gail Theobald** b. 30-05-1958, m. 24-12-1992, **Kerry Mann.**

Children:

i AlexanderMann b. 15-11-1994.

28. **Kerry Lynne Theobald** b. 21-09-1959, m. 13-03-1982, **Michael Zorz.**
Children.

	i	Nathan Zorz	b. 03-03-1979.
33.	ii	Emma Zorz	b. 17-10-1982.
34.	iii	Damien Zorz	b. 17-10-1982.

29. **Sharon Joy Theobald** b. 01-07-1961, m. 27-11-1987, **Stephen Place.**
Children:

i	Rebecca Place	b. 29-02-1986.
ii	Brady Place	b. 07-08-1988.
iii	Joshua Place	b. 23-12-1989.

30. **Maureen Elizabeth Theobald** b. 04-04-1963, m. 16-10-1994, **D'Arcy Boyd-Skinner.**
Children:

i	Haydon Boyd-Skinner	b. 05-04-1995.
ii	Courtney Boyd-Skinner	b. 23-05-1998.

Fifth Generation

31. **Mark Shepherd** b. 17-07-1963, m. **Jenene.**
Children:

i	Jeccica Shepherd.	
ii	Matthew Shepherd.	

32. **John Shepherd** b. 08-10-1965, m. **Debbie.**
Children:

i	Sarah Shepherd.	
ii	Ashley Shepherd.	

33. **EmmaZorz** b. 17-10-1982, m. **Adam Martin.**
Children:

i	Jaiden Martin	b. 17-08-0000

34. **Damien Zorz** b. 17-10-1982, m. **Kim Shirt.**
Children:

i Kiara Zorz b. 28-02-2002.



Henry 1st & Eliza



Harry & Ollie



Ollie, Edna, Harry, Charlie, Jack, Phil Ferguson.



? ? ? ? ? ? Frank, (boy) Stan McKinnon, Ewen Ferguson, Jack, Edna, Charlie, Harry.

THOMPSON

William Thompson was born 1794, Carron, county Tyrone Ireland
He married Jane Jeffery 17-02-1829
They left Ireland with 4 children and arrived Sydney 08-02-1836.

William was appointed Post Master at Bathurst on 24th March1836 and held that position till 21-10-1866
He established the first Sunday School in Bathurst and was involved in the Wesylan Church.
Jane died 29-12-1878 and William died 27-06-1881.
There are over 300 descendants of William and Jane that I know of at this time (2011) but I will only follow those that are involved with Palmers Oakey.
William Gilbert Thompson (tenth child of William & Jane) was born 20-07-1844. Took over from his father as Post Master at Bathurst Oct 1866 and held that position till he retired in 1908. Up to his retirement he was the Hon Sec of The Bathurst A H & P Soc. He retired to "Euarra" Brewongle and died 26-01-1910, and his wife Jane (nee Fulton) who bore him eleven children died 30-04-1930.

The Palmers Oakey connection started in 1895 when William Gilbert purchased "Warrie" an area of 9,000 acres.
He sent two of his sons , Henry Alexander (Alec) and Eric Osborne to run "Warrie" and in 1897 they mustered 10,000 sheep and shore over 160 bales of wool.
That year saw Alec selected to go to England with the N S W Mounted Rifles to ride in Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. He was a first class horseman, winning at shows, set a record time to Bathurst to get a Doctor for Liz McKinnon (who he was very keen on), could pick a handkerchief up from the ground, of a trotting horse,,,with his teeth!
I am not sure when, but about the time W G Thompson died (1910) the name Thompson Bros came in to operation (it was a family partnership) and "Milchomi" at Coonamble was bought. Eric and Archibald James (Archie) went to Coonamble and Alec stayed at "Warrie" In 1917 "Milchomi" was sold and "Calga" of 12,000 acres near Coonamble was bought with "Narratigah" being added later. During the 1920s they bought "Lowther Park" of 1500 acres near Rydal. The surplus young wethers from their Coonamble stations were sent to "Warrie" to run as wool-cutters, then at full-mouth they were sent on to "Lowther Park" to fatten, then to Homebush market for sale.

In 1925 Alec married Muriel (Mab) Barlow and lived at "Warrie" until Alec died in 1941. There children were Alexander Brian 02-04-1926, Judith 13-01-1928, (married Peter Manning, Peter was manager of "Warrie" during the early 1950s), Philipa 21-07-1930 (married Bill Poulsen and lives in Queensland), David 04-08-1933.

After the deaths of Alec in 1941 and Eric 1944 the business was wound down, "Narratigah" was sold to cousins Tony and Jeff Single, and then "Calga" was sold and Tony Single bought part of it. Tony and Jeff are grandsons of William Gilbert Thompson. "Lowther Park" was taken over by Audrey Lowe, Eric Thompson's daughter. Brian and David carried on the Thompson Bros name at "Warrie".

During the late 50s early 60s David built a house on "Scots Warrie" and in 1967 Brian & David bought "Bunnamagoo" at Rockley. David married Philippa Stevenson in 1968 and they have 3 children, Catriona Jane 10-05-1969, Scot Fraser 08-08-1970, Lucinda Jenny 22-03-1976.In the mid 1970's David took over all of "Bunnamagoo" and it was then that "Warrie" was divided between Brian and David. Brian took the Thompson Bros name. David runs "Old Farm" as well as other enterprises and lives just out of Bathurst on the Blayney road.

Brian married Janet Miller in 1958 and lived at "Warrie" till Brian died 1978. They had 3 children, Alexander Waldo (Alec) 07-02-1960, Hamish Anthony 13-11-1961,Victoria Janet 19-01-1965.

After Brian died on the 13-11-1978 the following appeared in the Western Advocate, Bathurst 05-12-1978.

HE GAVE MUCH TO HIS DISTRICT.

A man who served his district in Local Government, Agriculture and Education died here recently.

He was Mr. Brian Thompson, of "Warrie" Sunny Corner. He was 52.

Mr. Thompson was a member of Blaxland Shire Council for nine years until 1968 and President in 1964. He represented that Council on the Hartley County Council and the Regional Bushfire Committee.

Mr Thompson was a member of the Bathurst Pastures Protection Board and represented the LGPA on the Bathurst Saleyards Committee.

Mr. Thompson was also a member of the Scots School Council in Bathurst.

He was born in Bathurst and educated at the Knox Grammar School. In 1943 he joined the RAAF and trained for air crew.

After World War Two Mr. Thompson was a jackaroo on two AML & F properties in the Walgett area, working on "Angledool" and "Boolcarrol". He returned to manage the family property of "Warrie" in 1947.

In 1954 he managed the family property in the Coonamble area at "Calga"

In 1958 Mr. Thompson married Janet Miller at Merriwa and returned to "Warrie" to live. They had three children – Alexander, now a third generation Thompson on "Warrie", Hamish who is at The Scots School, and Vicki who is at the Presbyterian Ladies College in Sydney.

Mr. Thompson was a member of a family of four. His brother David has a property at Rockley. His sister Judith (Mrs Manning) and Philippa (Mrs Poulson) live at Forbes and Toowoomba.

He was a son of Alexander and Murial Thompson.

To-day (2011) Janet lives at Kelso, Hamish runs their shopping complex in Bathurst, Vicki is married and lives at Lismore, Alec married Sarah Maple-Brown in 1985 and they live at "Warrie" and have 3 children, Waldo Alexander, Ina Camilla, and George Lucian

A History of William Thompson and descendants has been compiled by Peter Thompson in 1987.

The following is from The History of Palmers

03-03-1900 A trustees meeting held on the Big Hill when it was decided to write to **Mr W G Thompson** re ground and to issue notices warning anyone from removing stock without acquainting the trustees and granting common rights to Robert Munro and Edward Wolfenden. M McDonnell chairman.

1903 ELECTORAL ROLL.

78	Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Overseer

From Dep Agriculture Sheep brand Register (1903)

		FIRE	TAR	EAR no:
Thompson Wm. Gilbert.	"Warrie",Mitchell & P 0	T in circle		721

1904. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey Post Office from West Mitchell H A Thompson,

1906 Letters from Upper Turon H A Thompson,

Letters from Dark Corner 1. H A Thompson.

1906 DIVISION of MACOUARIE

PALMERS OAKEY POLLING PLACE

62	Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Overseer

16-01-1908 Bathurst Land Board Court; William Gilbert Thompson (claimant) -V- Herbert Shumack (selector). Appraised at £11-16-10 for claim for improvements.

1908 **Letters from Sofala** H A Thompson-

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1908

People Registered as living in the Palmers Oakey area

60	Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Overseer

1909 Registered letters to Palmers; Oakey post office from West Mitchell H A Thompson

26-01-1910 **William Gilbert Thompson** died at Bathurst.

14-12-1910 **Eric Osborne Thompson** lease refused. Frances James Hyde OCP 09/115 200 acres confirmed, CL09/95 600 acres confirmed, rent adjourned, Crown improvements £4-10-00. Claim for improvements, Palmers Oakey Common –V- Francis James Hyde; Hyde to pay £7-00-00.

1910 Letters from Sunny Corner No. H A Thompson

Registered letters to Palmers Oakey from Dark Corner H A Thompson 2.

11-02-1916 A meeting of trustees was held on this date for the purpose of discussing the best means of poisoning rabbits. It was thought best to accept the loan of a poison cart from **H A Thompson** together with a quantity of mixed poison supplied at cost price also to accept the offer of D Ferguson to do the work of poisoning 2 days with one horse at a cost of £1-0-0. The advisibility (sic) of renting a bull for 2 months for common use was also discussed. A T Shumack chairman.

1917 Common expenditure £9-14-0. C Ferguson 7/- for poisoning rabbits, J T Bower 10/- for poisoning rabbits, **H A Thompson 10/-** for Quantity poison, D Ferguson £1-0-0 rent of bull, D Ferguson £1-0-0 fill holes, P Munro fill holes. Stock Tax 10/-

26-11-1918 D Ferguson paid £37-5-6 to **Thompson Bros** for contract shearing his sheep.

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members for 1918.

Mrs E Ferguson, Mr E Ferguson, C Ferguson, R Ferguson, R S Ferguson, E McKinnon, L McKinnon ,S McKinnon,, **H A Thompson,** E Theobald,, R Theobald, A Theobald, H Morgan, A Morgan, A Shumack, H Shumack

1918 Rural Lands Protection Board Records.

NAME	AREA	HORSES	CATTLE	SHEEP	ACRES
L H Elbourn	Upper Turon	9	4	459	644
Ewen Ferguson	Palmers Oakey			385	2480
Duncan Ferguson	Sugarloaf PO	2	8	1000	8313

J T Franks	U T	11	20	136	688
Ellen & T Hartigan U T		6	4	150	843
R A Mackie	U T	7	8		2800
D Scott	D C / S C	22	30	1200	7000
Aiden Shumack	D C			100	173
J W Shumack	Spring Vale D C	18	25	1716	10000
H Shumack	D C			800	2700
R G Shumack	D C	13	29	1002	10000
E O Thompson	P O	14	92	4751	16700

14-11-1919 D Ferguson paid **Thompson Bros** £23-2-9 to contract shear 645 sheep.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1919

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No. Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
40 Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Grazier
41 Thompson	Evelyn Mary	F	Warrie	H D
42 Thompson	Jane Amelia	F	Warrie	Grazier
43 Thompson	Janet Margaretta	F	Warrie	H D
44 Thompson	Minnie Jane	F	Warrie	Grazier

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1921

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
35	Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Grazier
36	Thompson	Jane Amelia	F	Warrie	Grazier
37	Thompson	Minnie Jane	F	Warrie	Grazier

20-01-1924 A trustees meeting was held on above date. Present all trustees, D Ferguson, C P Ferguson, E McC Ferguson, D McKinnon, P A Munro & secretary. Proposed by C P Ferguson that poison should be used on common for rabbits seconded by P A Munro & carried. Proposed by E McC Ferguson **that Mr Thompson** be asked to rent his poison cart to common & also mix the poison seconded by D Ferguson & carried. D Ferguson chairman.

24-03-1923 A commoners meeting was held on the above date for the purpose of electing a trustee in place of D McKinnon deceased. Proposed by D Ferguson & seconded by E Ferguson that Mr S Greentree be elected carried. A trustees meeting was also hold when the following bills were paid C P Ferguson £1-0-0 for poison common, E Ferguson £1-0-0 for rent of horse & labour , **H A Thompson £1-0-0** for rent of poison cart & poison. D Ferguson chairman.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1928

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

32 Thompson	Henry Alexander	M	Warrie	Grazier
33 Thompson	Muriel Agnes	F	Warrie	HD
34 Thompson	Archibald James	M	Warrie	Grazier

00-00-1940 Palmers Oakey Bush Fire Brigade formed:-

Aiden Shumack	10-0
E M Ferguson	10-0
D Ferguson	10-0
C Munro	3-0
Mrs A Elbourn	2-6
T Ferguson	10-0
J Shumack	7-6
T G Scott	2-6
H A Thompson	1-00-0
	£3-15-6

07-03-1947 P M G wrote to residents that Pratley Bros of Peel had complained that Palmers Oakey men had entered their property to erect a phone line without permission .

Early in 1947 he had given D T Ferguson a permission note saying:- “I hereby give permission to Mr D T Ferguson & parties to erect a telephone line through my property subject to the wires being erected on the existing poles & to no trees being cut down without my knowledge". The problem with the "permission" was Mr. A Pratley had not signed it. The reference to the "existing poles" was **Thompson Bros** telephone line that ran through his property.

09-04-1947 P M G wrote to D T Ferguson asking what had been done re their letter of 07-03-1947. D T Ferguson had sent a form to Mr Pratley seeking permission. Mr A Pratley replied to D T Fergusons letter saying " I have no intention of giving permission to allow your party telephone line No 907 Bathurst to pass through my property and I am returning the form you enclosed. With regard to coming to see me concerning the matter, it will be of no use , as I will not alter my decision under any consideration whatsoever. I therefore ask you to remove the wire from my property at your earliest convenience to save further trouble. You will have to make other arrangements for a telephone line."

P M G wrote to D T Ferguson advising that Mr A Pratley would not allow the telephone to go through his property.

28-04-1947 **Mr. A J Thompson** of “Warrie” wrote to Mr Ferguson saying he had written to Mr A Pratley asking him to service.

12-05-1947 **Mr A J Thompson** again wrote to Mr Ferguson saying he had received an unfavourable reply from Mr Pratley in closing said "I am sorry that I have been so unsuccessful, I wrote him what I considered was a reasonable and civil letter. I am afraid there is not much hope of gaining his consent.

D T Ferguson made an approach to Mr J B Chifley Prime Minister re the telephone problem.

15-07-1947 D T & D L Ferguson received a letter from their solicitors advising that Mr Pratley would not agree to a conference.

Mr J B Chifley P M made personal representation to the P M G re D T Fergusons letter. 21-07-1947 Mr J B Chifley P M wrote to Mr Ferguson enclosing a letter from " P M G saying they would "cause inquiries to be made".

29--08--1948 Public meeting held at Rec ground to form a new tennis dub. Moved D T Ferguson seconded E E Smith that

D L Ferguson be secretary. Moved E E Smith seconded **A B Thompson** D T Ferguson be dep. sec.. Arranged that S McKinnon carry on collecting for tennis balls @ 1/- per month. Moved W Bennett that secretary be informed by players if they will be able to play matches a week prior to such matches.

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members.

Mrs D T Ferguson, Miss K Ferguson, Mrs D L Ferguson, Mrs W J Bennett, Mrs E J Bennett, Mrs S Wilkinson Mrs C D Munro, Mrs E E Smith, Miss R Ferguson, S Wilkinson, E E Smith, D L Ferguson, C D Munro **A B Thompson,** E J Bennett, F H Theobald, W J Bennett, S McKinnon, D T Ferguson, L Grabham J Farmer, C Theobald

22-01-1949 Tennis match against Capertee. Palmers Oakey players were Mrs S Wilkinson, **Miss P Thompson**, S McKinnon, L Grabham, **B Thompson,** F H Theobald

1949 Palmers Oakey bush fire brigade received subs from.

Thompson Bros	£4-10-0
L Seaman	10-0
S Harrison	10-0
S Wilkinson	10-0
B A Brown	£1-10-0

16-04-1950 **Thompson Bros** sent 50 mixed cattle to Bathurst sales , George Piper droving.

18-12-1950 **Thompson Bros** sent 3060 wethers to Lowther via Dark Corner and Rydal, Vince Morris droving.

05-01-1951 **Thompson Bros** sent 1400 wethers to Homebush, **Brian** drove them via Turon Gully to load on rail at Capertee

17-12-1951 **B Thompson** drove 942 wethers and 60 cattle via Turon Gully to Capertee rail.

21-01-1952 **B Thompson** drove 1108 wethers to Capertee via Turon Gully

11-02-1952 **B Thompson** drove 510 wethers and 70 cattle via Turon Gully to Capertee rail.

29--04-1952 **B Thompson** drove 1730 wethers to Lowther via Meadow Flat.

03-11-1952 **B Thompson** turned his Fiat bulldozer over twice in the one day without injury.

03-06-1954 A special bush fire brigade meeting hold at D L Fergusons to accept the resignation of **A B Thompson** as Sec Tres. Peter Manning was elected in his place. E J Bennett vice Captain. Present D Ferguson, **A B Thompson**, **D F Thompson**, C Munro, E J Bennett, F Theobald, J Theobald, P Manning. Cr Bal. £10-12-7

24-10-1956 Bush fire meeting at D Fergusons Present T Ferguson, D Ferguson, **D Thompson,** C Munro, E Maloney,

04-12-1956 Fire brigade pump demonstration at "Nebo" crossing. Present W Shumack, E J Bennett, D Ferguson, T Ferguson C Ferguson, S Wilkinson, B Hurst, C Munro, **D Thompson,** P Manning.

01-11-1958 **Brian Thompson** married Janet Miller at Merriwa.

00-03-1959 Cement deck put on Sugarloaf bridge, **Brian Thompson** put a by-pass in with his D2 dozer for traffic while the Blaxland Shire laid the deck.

01-08-1960 Flood in creek. **Brian and David** Land Rover stalled on "Nebo" causeway, **Brian** jumped into the water and swam out to get help while **David** kept logs off the Rover with a stick. **(Brians** dri-as-a-bone coat did not keep him dry).

06-12-1965 Locals working on road at Penders, Shire put pipes in and **Brian Thompson** used his dozer and grader, Fergusons used their dozer.

03-09-1977 **Brian Thompson** dozing site for Les Cochrans house.

00-05-1978 On phone line, **David Thompson** extended Leo Palmers line to "Old Farm", and the rest of the line was tided up.

13-11-1978 **Brian Thompson** passed away.

TYRELL

John Tyrell married Maria Casey 1859 in Sydney and they had 2 children, both born at Palmers Oakey, but only one John Snowden survived and he moved to the Gunnedah area

They lived on Portion 22 , at the Sofala, Capertee, Palmers Oakey cross roads.

Maria died 14-02-1867 after a long and painful illness at Palmers Oakey and is buried there.

John died May 1897 at Palmers Oakey and is buried there.

There is little record of Johns 25 years here

PALMER'S OAKEY Post Office Directory 1872

TYRELL John miner Palmer's Oakey

1872 QUARTZ MINING LEASES.

DATE	NAME	AREA	ACRES.
15-06-1872	Moxon, Tyrell & Co	Palmers Oakey	6

TYRRELL

1. **John Tyrrell occupation** Miner, m. 1859, in Sydney, **Maria Elanor Casey (Owen),** b. 1828, Sydney, d. 14-02-1867, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. John died 00-05-1897, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey.

Children:

2.	i	John Snowden Tyrrell	b. 20-05-1864.
	ii	Richard Robert Tyrrell	b. 00-00-1867, Sofala, d. 1867, Sofala.

Second Generation

2. **John Snowden Tyrrell** b. 20-05-1864, Residence of P.Mc Kinnon Palmers Oakey, m. 1897, in Gunnedah, **Margaret Davison.**

Children:

i	Reginald J Tyrrell	b. 00-00-1898, Barraba.
ii	Ellen I Tyrrell	b. 00-00-1902, Manilla, m. 1926, in Sydney, **Albert H Geddes.**
iii	Thomas S Tyrrell	b. 00-00-1909, Barraba.

WANNICK

From The History of Palmers Oakey

00-00-1821 Julius Wannick born Dantzic Germany
00-00-1864 Julius Wannick arrived in Australia
00-00-1871 Julius Wannick married Bridget Fox at Upper Turon
00-00-1871 Bertha Wannick born
00-00-1872 Julius Wannick. Jr. born
27-11-1872 John Scott Post Master at Upper Turon. Sureties **Julius Wannick** storekeeper at Palmers Oakey and John Anderson storekeeper at Palmers Oakey

MINING CLAIMS.

10-05-1872	Wannick & Myles	Upper Turon	4 acres
17-06-1872	Wannick, Curran & Co	Tobins Oakey	4 acres

00-00-1872 Julius Wannick received registered letter from West Mitchell PO.
00-05-1874 William Kensett (school teacher) was appointed Post Master at Upper Turon, his surities were; John Scott Hotel Keeper Sofala (John Scott was postmaster) and **Julius Wannick** storekeeper Upper Turon.

UPPER TURON SCHOOL

Date	Pupils Name	Age	Relig	Fee	Parent	Residence	Occupation	Class-date	Reason for Leaving
10-7-76	JuliusWannick	4	EC		Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeeper	1st 7/76	
24-7-76	Michael Fox	9	RC		Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeeper	2nd 7/76	6-19-76
20-7-76	Bertha Wannick	6	EC		Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeeper	1st 7/76	
9-7-77	Michael Fox	10	RC		Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeepre	1st 7/77	22-?-77 Bathurst
26-03-78	Julius Wannick	6	EC	-/8	Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeeper	1st 3/78	Wanted at home
03-08-80	Michael Fox	13	RC	-/3	Jullius Wannick	Upper Turon	Storekeeper	2nd 8/80	Wanted at home
04-08-80	Louis Wannick	4	EC	-/3	J Wannick	Upper Turon	Storekeeper	1st 8/80	Left district
?-11-81	Julius Wannick	11	EC	-/3	Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Storekeeper	1st 11/81	Left district

00-00-1877 Julius Wannick received registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office
17-10-1881 The RAZOR BACK is situated about 10 MILES from Sofala, in the direction of Crown Ridge, MUDGEE-ROAD This MINE was opened by **JULIUS WANNICK** some 12 years ago. the intention being then to work it for gold. When first discovered the gold showed freely in the stone, which fact induced **Mr Wannick** to purchase and erect a crushing machine. The crushing's turned out PAYABLE for considerable distance, when a change took place in the reef, the stone becoming impregnated with antimony The presence of this metal entirely prevented the amalgamation of the liberated gold with the mercury, therefor crushing had to be discontinued.SMH

20-07-1886 Special common meeting to consider the best means to adopt to prevent **J Wannick's** sheep from trespassing on common, no decision arrived at. Meeting postponed to 24th inst.
24-07-1886 A postponed special meeting. Resolved to bill **J Wannick** for the trespass of his sheep on the 13th of this month, carried unanimously.
06-06-1887 Common meeting at J Dunkels at which it was decided to summon **Julius Wannick** for driving sheep along the common without giving notice.
24-12-1888 Public meeting on Palmers Oakey Creek to revise common roll Resolved to strike off the names of Archibald McKinnon, John Sullivan, and put in the names of **Julius Wannick** and Charles F Franks. J.J.Martin, chairman J Dunkel.
04-10-1894 Ernest Trescott and **Louis Wannick,** two youths, pleaded guilty to shooting a sheep, with intent to steal the carcase, and were released on **Wannick's** father entering into a bond of £100 for their good behavior for 12 m

COMMON ROLL 1899

Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner
Julius Wannick Jr	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner

COMMON ROLL 1903--1904

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Julius Wannick	Palmers Oakey	Resident Miner.
Julius Wannick Jr	Palmers Oakey	Miner

22-06-1904 **Julius Wannick** Snr died and was buried at Sofala aged 89 years.

20-05-1905 A trustees meeting was held on this date . The sec was instructed to give **Julius Wannick,** notice to remove some stock as the trustees were informed that one was infected with what looked very like cancer and the meeting adjourned . D McKinnon chairman.

1906 DIVISION of MACQUARIE PALMERS OAKEY POLLING PLACE
Roll of Persons entitled to Vote under the Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of living	0ccupation
64	Wannick	Bridget	F	Upper Turon	DD
65	Wannick	Julius	M	Upper Turon	Miner

00-00-1907 A public meeting was held or this date for the purpose of electing trustees for the ensuing three -years and the- following trustees were duly elected; Edward Wolfenden, **Julius Wannick,** Henry Theobald, Arthur Hyde, Robert McKinnon. D D Munro chairman.
09-02-1907 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which meeting it was resolved to exchange the bull with Mr Gallager for one of his bulls **and J Wannick** was commissioned to go and inspect the same and the meeting adjourned Present, E Wolfenden chairman**, J Wannick,** A Hyde, H T Theobald.
19-09-1908 A public meeting was held on this date to elect a trustee in lieu of **Julius Wannick** resigned and following gentleman was duly elected R D McKinnon proposed by H Theobald seconded by P A Munro. D D Munro chairman

COMMON RECORDS

DATE	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
00-00-1880	Julius Wannick	8	24
00-00-1881	Julius Wannick	8	18
00-00-1882	Julius Wannick	6	20
00-00-1883	Julius Wannick	4	9
00-00-1885	Julius Wannick		5
00-00-1886	Julius Wannik		3
00-00-1888	Julius Wannick	3	7
00-00-1889	Julius Wannick	3,	8
00-00-1890	Julius Wannick	3	1I
00-00-1891	Julius Wannick	2	18
00-00-1892	Julius Wannick	3	22
00-00-1893	Julius Wannick	1	20
00-00-1893	Julius Wannick Jr,	2	6
00-00-1894	Julius Wannick	1	12
00-00-1895	Julius Wannick Jn,	1	10
00-00-1896	Julius Wannick Snr,	1	24
00-00-1896	Julius Wannick Jr,	2	
00-00-1897	Julius Wannick Snr,		16
00-00-1897	Julius Wannick Jr,	3	
00-00-1898	Julius Wannick Snr	1	27
00-00-1899	Julius Wannick	1	24
	Julius Wannick Jr	1	
00-00-1900	Julius Wannick		21
	Julius Wannick Jr,	3	
00-00-1901	Julius Wannick	1	20
	Julius Wannick Jr	1.	
00-00-1902	Juliue Wannick Jr	1	
	Julius Wannick	1	15
00-00-1903	Julius Wannick Jr	2	
	Julius Wannick		15
00-00-1905	J Wannick	1	14
	Mrs B Wannick		11
00-00-1906	J Wannick	1	14
	Mrs B Wannick		12
	J Wannick	1	14
	Mrs B Wannick.		11
00-00-1907	J Wannick	1	15
00-00-1908	J Wannick		7

WANNICK

1. **Julius Wannick** m. **Amelia.**

Children:

2. i Julius Casar Wannick b. 00-00-1821.

Second Generation

2. **Julius Casar Wannick** b. 1821, Dantzic Germany, Miner / Storekeeper, m. 1873, in Upper Turon, Bridget Fox,d 1908, Waterloo. Julius died 22-06-1904, Sofala Hospital, buried: 24-06-04, Sofala. Arrived Aust. C1864 **Bridget:See Fox Tree**

Children:

	i	Bertha Amelia Wannick	b. 00-00-1871.
	ii	Julius E Wannick	b. 00-00-1872.
5.	iii	Henrietta Wannick	b. 00-00-1873.
6.	iv	Louis Albert Wannick	b. 00-00-1875.

Third Generation

3. **Bertha Amelia Wannick** b. 1871, Sofala, m. 1896, in Sydney, **John P Clyne**. Bertha died 1944, Parramatta.

Children:

i	Gladys A G Clyne	b. 00-00-1897, Redfern, m. 1921, in Redfern, **Thomas Dunleavy.**
ii	Elizabeth M Clyne	b. 00-00-1899, Bathurst, m. 1927, in Kogarah, **Ernest S Le Motter.**

4. **Julius E Wannick** b. 1872, Sofala, m. (1) 1916, in Rylstone, **Alice A O'Brien,** d. 1920,Rylstone,
m. (2) 1923, in Rylstone, **Margaret O'Farrell.**

Children by Alice A O'Brien:

i	Louis E Wannick	b. 00-00-1917, Auburn,	d. 1922, Mudgee.
ii	Ellen M Wannick		d. 1934, Rylstone.

Children by Margaret 0 'Farrell:

iii	Lance Patrick Wannick	b. 21-03-1924.

5. **Henrietta Wannick** b. 1873, Sofala, m. (1) 1897, in Bathurst, **Thomas Crosgrove,**
m. (2) ?? ?. Henrietta died 1907, Bathurst.

Children by Thomas Crosgrove:

i	Ronald H Cosgrove	b. 00-00-1898, Bathurst.

Children by???:

ii	Elma M Wannick	b. 00-00-1897, Bathurst.

6. **Louis Albert Wannick** b. 1875, Sofala, m. 1904, in Waterloo, Emily Agnes Wolfenden, b. 05-10-1877, Home Rule, d. 1916, Auburn. In May 1907 he was charged with being drunk as the conductor of a tram in Sydney that caused a death.

Children:

i	Thelma G Wannick	b. 00-00-1906, Woollahra,	m. 1926, in Ashfield, **Noel Sly.**
ii	Louis Edward Wannick	b. 00-00-1912, Ashfield.	
iii	Edna Wannick	b. 00-00-1916, Auburn,	m. 1934, in Auburn, **Peter B Murphy.**

WESTLAKE.

Matthew Westlake lived near the crossroads in Palmers Oakey, on the flat 100m south west from junction.
The block was owned by W W Millett
The water hole in the creek 50M south still has cherry trees on the bank and is called Matts waterhole.

1868. Registered letters to Palmers Oakey from Mitchells Creek for 1868 , M Westlake 1.

ELECTORAL ROLL 1870—71

NAME		AREA
Westlake	Matthew	Palmers Oakey

Post Office Directory 1872

PALMER'S OAKEY

WESTLAKE	Matthew	miner	Palmer's Oakey

PALMERS OAKEY POST OFFICE 1875/76.

WESTLAKE	Matthew	miner,

WILKINSON

We start the Wilkinson story back in Ireland about 1768 when a David Byrnes was born.
David took up the trade of a tailor.
On the 16-2-1800 he arrived in Sydney from Cork Ireland aboard the *"Friendship"* as a convict
On the 23-12-1810 at St.Johns Parramatta he was married to **Ann Griffin** by the Rev. Samuel Marsden.
Ann was born c1788 and at age 15 on the 11-3-1803 at Nottingham under the name Ann Reffin she was sentenced to 7 years and in 1804 was transported from Cowes aboard the "*Experiment"* to Sydney.
In 1809 Ann was granted 100 acres at Parramatta by the rebel Government but had to surrender it in 1810. Ann died 26-9-1848 at the Benevolent Asylum Sydney and was buried at St. Lawrence Sydney.
David and Ann had 6 children.
The fourth **Esther** who was born at Parramatta 1-6-1815 married **John Wilkinson** on the 20-8-1832 at St.Johns Parramatta. Esther died 12-7-1896 at Illford and is buried there.

John Wilkinson was born c1810 at Parramatta, the son of John & Sarah, & in 1822 he was in the Sydney Orphan School.
After Johns marriage to Esther in 1832 they had 13 children who were born in the Greendale, Mulgoa, Cobbitty areas. John died 12-7-1896.
John and Esthers 6th child **Alfred** born 24-3-1842 married Harriet Byrnes at Christ Church Castlereagh on the 13-3-1865. Harriet was born 1849 at Penrith.

Alfred and Harriet had 6 children.
Alfred Ernest 13-12-1870 married about 1903 to Francis Jane Mansfield born c 1887 and had 11 children.
They lived in the Palmers Oakey & Capertee area and Alfred and Francis are buried at Capertee.
William James (Jack) 17-2-1872 at Tara (between Sofala and llford). Jack took up land at Palmers Oakey Portion 74 under Miners Right which he bought in 1913 along with other blocks of land. Later moved to live in Lewis' house lower down the creek. He was involved in gold mining (was a partner on the Moonlight field when someone stole the gold out of the sluice box in the moonlight), bee farming, and was a contract fencer,(fenced the eastern side of the common about the turn of the century). He had a son **Stan**ley who married Matilda Josephine Ford and had a son Stanley **Alan.** Jack died 14-1-1957 and is buried at Palmers Oakey.
Stan and Josie lived on at Palmers Oakey and when their health started to fail they moved to Portland 3-2-1986.to be near their son and family. **Stan** died there 23-7-1989, and Josie 29-1-1992.
Alans family run the Palmers Oakey property and he lives at Portland. He married Pat Miller and have 4 children. Therese 22-10-1960, Paul 22-10-1962, Christine 23-07-1967, Geoffery 15-11-1972.
Alfred (1st) had a brother William born 1848 that lived for a while on Portion 44 Palmers Oakey on the Turon and was known as Bill Wilkie, he died at Capertee 2-9-1921. There was another brother Samuel (1859 - 1909) who was in Palmers Oakey 1891-93 and died at Bathurst.

There is some confusion with names. There are two old house sites, one known as Alf Wilkinsons and the other Fred Wilkinsons , and from 1896 to 1900 I have records of a E.A.Wilkinson, were as the "tree" only lists a Alfred Ernest, no E. A. (the Alfred 1842-1910 may have been Ernest Alfred and known as Alf and his son Fred)
There are two infant graves near the creek about 200 meters from Alf Wilkinsons old house site.
So as far as I can make out, these were in the Palmers Oakey area at some time:

Alfred 1842-1910 Illford area.
Alfred Ernest 1870-1931 P.O & Capertee area.
William James(Jack) 1874-1957 Palmers Oakey.
William 1848-1921 Capertee,
Samuel 1859-1909 Bathurst

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17-02-1874 William James (Jack) **Wilkinson** born at Tara near Sofala

14-07-1899 A trustees meeting was held at 0'Farrells camp when it was decided to accept **J Wilkinsons** tender for making gates for the Palmers Oakey Temporary Common. Henry Theobald chairman.

00-00-1899 Common Expenditure £42-14-3 **Jack Wilkinson** fenced common for £21-13-00. Stock Tax £2-12-4

15-02-1900 Two miners, John Martin and **Alfred Wilkinson**;-had a "miraculous escape from being buried alive -at Upper -Turon through a fall of earth. **Wilkinson** escaped unhurt, but Martin was severely injured. He was pinned down by a heavy fall of dirt, and was pluckily rescued by **Wilkinson** before a further fall. which occurred immediately afterwards.

13-01-1901 A public meeting was called for this date but was adjourned (being Sunday) to the 19th Jan which was duly held on the 19th Jan 1901 to elect trustees for the ensuing three years. Proposed by D D Munro D Hopkins seconded by C Ferguson, W Smith proposed by C Ferguson seconded by W Theobald, **J Wilkinson** proposed by W Theobald seconded by F Hyde, F Hyde, proposed by D Munro seconded by **F Wilkinson,** D D Munro proposed by C Ferguson seconded M McDonnell all carried unanimously. At the same meeting the balance sheet was read and passed as correct.

01-02-1902 A trustees meeting was held on this date to decide whether E O'Farrell had any right to depasture on the common, the trustees present were , D Hopkins , **John Wilkinson,** D D Munro, W Smith, Proposed by D Hopkins that his right be cancelled seconded by **J Wilkinson**, carried 3 to 1 . W Smith resigned. D D Munro chairman.

11-02-1902 A trustees meeting was held on this date to make new rules and regulations for the better management of the common , when the stock were reduced from 20 to 15 for each commoner and 2/- per head of stock per year as common fee to be paid 1st Jan. 1st July. Goats to be as they were until further notice. Trustees present were David D Munro, **William James Wilkinson,** Daniel Hopkins, Francis Hyde,. Common charges for timber, soil, and stone; standing timber for firewood:- 1 horse load 6d. 2=8d. 3=10d. 4=1/-, 1 bullock load 1/-. other standing timber per tree 1/6, soil 1/-, stone 1/-

08-11-1902 A duly advertised Public Meeting was held on this date to elect 3 trustees in Lieu of W Smith, F Hyde, D D Munro resigned. At which meeting the following gentlemen were elected. John A McKinnon, proposed by D McKinnon seconded by Peter Munro, carried. Walter Theobald proposed by **W J Wilkinson** seconded by D D Munro, **Alfred Wilkinson** proposed by D D Munro seconded by **W J Wilkinson.** all carried unanmously and the meeting closed.

21-02-1903 A Trustees meeting was held on this date to concider if the trustees would prosecute Cooney for cutting and removing the standing timber for firewood from off the common without having a licence from the trustees , it was put to the meeting and was carried unanmously (sic)that they would summon Cooney. Present at the meeting **Alf Wilkinson, John Wilkinson**, John McKinnon, and D Hopkins in the chair.

28-03-1903 A trustees meeting was held on this date to consider what pay they should have per day as expenses going to Sofala on Cooneys case re cutting standing timber on the common and it was unanimously agreed to give 8/- per day and to take steps to impound all stock that were not paid for. Present at meeting **John Wilkinson, Alf Wilkinson**, John McKinnon, Waiter Theobald, Daniel Hopkins chairman.

21-06-1903 A quartley meeting was held on this date and it was resolved to give notice to Jacob Dunkel, **John Wilkinson,** and G T Franks that if they did not apply for a timber licence from the trustees they would be summoned according to the rules and regulations. Also orders were given to the secretary to issue notices that all stock must be given in and paid for on or before the first day of July 1903 with brands and descriptions of stock for the half year ending 31-12-03. Present at the meeting Daniel Hopkins chairman, **John Wilkinson, Alf Wilkinson** Jnr, Walter Theobald.

07-11-1903 A trustees meeting was held on this date to see if they were justified in giving **J Wilkinson** a sub on the work he was doing and it was agreed to give him £4-0-0 also to have the gates altered on the yard. Agreed to unanimously.
D Hopkins chairman.

DIVISION OF MACQUARIE. 1903.

PALMERS OAKEY POLLING-PLACE.

Roll of Persons entitled to Vote under the Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902.

81 Wilkinson	Alfred	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
82 Wilkinson	Alfred Jr .	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
83 Wilkinson	Frances	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
84 Wilkinson	John	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
85 Wilkinson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

23-04-1904 A quarterly meeting was hold on this date at which all the trustees attended and it was unamousely (sic) agreed to pay D Hopkins and **Alfred Wilkinson** the money that was owed to them for impounding two horses last April and they gave the secretary orders to pay them 5/- each and also have the common fence examined and repaired and the meeting was the adjourned. The secretary was ordered to send for three more copies of the common act. D McKinnon chairman.

1906 DIVISION of MACOUARIE

PALMERS OAKEY POLLING PLACE

Roll of Persons entitled to Vote under the Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902

67	Wilkinson	Alfred	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
68	Wilkinson	AJfred Jr.	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
69	Wilkinson	Frances	F	Palmers Oakey	D D
70	Wilkinson	William	M	Upper Turon	Miner
71	Wilkinson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

15-06-1907 A trustee meeting was held on this date at which the trustees gave **Alf Wilkinson** notice to pay for his stock and if not paid for they were to be impounded E Wolfenden chairman.

06-07-1907 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which **Alf Wilkinson** came and paid 14/- shillings towards paying for his stock and the meeting closed. R McKinnon pro chairman.

A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of reviewing the balance sheet for the year 1907 which was done and passed as correct, Also to elect a trustee in leiu of Robert McKinnon resigned when **W J Wilkinson** was duly elected proposed by George McLeod and seconded by David Munro and carded. D D Munro chairman of meeting.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1908

People Registered as living in the Palmers Oakey area

No	**.Surname**	**Christian Names**	**Sex**	**Place of Living**	**Occupation**
61	WILKINSON	Alfred	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
62	Wilkinson	Alfred Jr.	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
63	Wilkinson	Frances	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
64	Wilkinson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

24-04-1909 **Stanly Wilkinson** born.

Bathurst Land Board.

OCP 10/11	100 acres	William James Wilkinson
OCP 10/22	300 acres	William James Wilkinson

01-02-1915 A common receipt. "Received on this day the sum of ten shillings from the secretary Palmers Oakey Common being part payment of one pound rent for 1 roan bull for two months from 1st Feb to1st April" signed **W J Wilkinson.**

22-07-1912 **William James Wilkinson Jr**. applied for portion 107 Dulabree, cottage was valued at £10, Kitchen £3, Shed 101-, Clearing £4, Fencing and old shed no value.

01-02-1915 A common receipt. "Received on this day the sum of ten shillings from the secretary Palmers Oakey Common being part payment of one pound rent for 1 roan bull for two months from 1st Feb to1st April" signed **W J Wilkinson.**

00-00-1915 Common Expenditure Stock tax 6/11. Paid **W J Wilkinson** £1 for rent of bull

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1919

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No.	**Surname**	**Christian Names**	**Sex**	**Place of Living**	**Occupation**
45	WILKINSON	Alfred Ernest	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
46	Wilkinson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

18-04-1921.1 **J Wilkinson** sold 1 dray to D Ferguson for £6-0-0.

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1921

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No.	**Surname**	**Christian Names**	**Sex**	**Place of Living**	
38	WILKINSON	Carolina Victoria	F	Palmers Oakey	H D
39	Wilkinson	William James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1928

People registered as Living in the Palmers Oakey area.

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
35	WILKINSON	Williarn James	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner.

19-06-1929 Lithgow Mercury gave a report on Blaxland Shire councillors inspecting roads; in part said

"At Palmers Oakey 9 or 10 miles farther on, Mesrs. Duncan, Ewen, Thomas, and Latham Ferguson, **Wilkinson,** and P Munro were met at lunchtime. The making of arrangements with local residents to do much of the roadwork, instead of sending gangs long distances, with cumbersome plant was favourably debated, and generally the wisdom of the idea was confirmed. Messrs. D Ferguson, **Wilkinson** and Munro joined the party and accompanied it to the Turon Shire boundary, a couple of miles beyond Bingletree station where the Turon River makes an unmistakable borderline. At Bingletree station, romantically situated at the foot of towering mountains covered with sheep pasture, Mr H L Dobbie, manager joined up. Then Mr Ferguson and he, who know the country well, laid before Council certain improvements required to bring the Palmers Oakey --Sofala road up to something like decent standard. The site of the proposed gates applied for by **Mr Wilkinson** was also pointed out. The original position had been subject to objection, and it was thought the whole matter would have to be gone into at next Council meeting. Though **Mr Wilkinson** had little to say, the opinion was formed that he had justice on his side. That he had nothing to fear from Councils decision.

In this locality a couples of culverts were inspected. Of the remedy several opinions ware formed. These will be ventilated at next meeting.

Councillors ware definitely of opinion, however, that too much time, for little return, was wasted by men and plant travelling long distances from home to carry out roadwork and returning, as provided for by the award. A new and more economic system is on the tapis and will be reduced to a workable basis at an early date.

A small bridge on the P 0 --Bathurst road, about half a mile from the former turn-off, was discovered to be in a very shaky condition. There was a hole in the decking, and danger signals wore set to warn the unwary travellers. Messrs. Ferguson, Munro and **Wilkinson** were thanked for the assistance and information given."

13-01-1941 **E Wilkinson** sold D T Ferguson 121 sheep for £42-7-0

PALMERS OAKEY CRICKET CLUB MEMBERS 1945

D C Munro	5-0
D T Ferguson	5-0
S C McKinnon	5-0
C Theobald	5-0
J Theobald	5-0
A Smith	5-0
E E Smith	5-0
E M Smith	5-0
E J Bannett	5-0
C Hannan	5-0
E Ezzy	5-0
J Nairn	5-0

F Theobald	5-0
A T Hyde	5-0
P Elliott	5-0
D L Ferguson	5-0
S Wilkinson	5-0
Warrie & Co	5-0
J Elbourn	5-0
	£4-15-0

31-08-1946 Rec Trustees meeting at Rec Ground, all five trustees present. Grass rights were granted to D L Ferguson for 15/-. The matter of the removal of two pine trees from the cricket ground was also discussed and a motion was carried that one tree be removed and one to remain . It was also decided that after playing of 3 cricket matches the position be reviewed, namely if the remaining tree be removed or not. The trustees in favour of removing one tree and leaving one were**, S Wilkinson,** C Munro, D L Ferguson. Those in favour of removing both trees were D T Ferguson and E J Bennett.

03-12-1947 Locals started to a 6- party phone line to Bathurst, this was to go from **S Wilkinsons to** Possum Pinch about a ½ mile on the Palmers Oakey side of the Winburndale River, total distance of just under 30 miles.

01-09-1948 **Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members.**
Mrs D T Ferguson, Miss K Ferguson, Mrs D L Ferguson, Mrs W J Bennett, Mrs E J Bennett, **Mrs S Wilkinson**
Mrs C D Munro, Mrs E E Smith, Miss R Ferguson, **S Wilkinson**, E E Smith, D L Ferguson, C D Munro
A B Thompson, E J Bennett, F H Theobald, W J Bennett, S McKinnon, D T Ferguson, L Grabham J Farmer,
C Theobald

22-01-1949 Tennis match against Capertee. Palmers Oakey players ware **Mrs S Wilkinson**, Miss P Thompson, S McKinnon, L Grabham, B Thompson, F H Theobald

31-07-1949 Tennis match against Dark Corner, players ware Mrs D T Ferguson, **Mrs S Wilkinson**, C D Munro, C Theobald, L J Grabham, D T Ferguson. Dark Corner won by 21 games.

23-10-1949 Tennis match Peal v Palmers Oakey at Palmers Oakey whose players were Rube Bennett, Kit Ferguson, **Josie Wilkinson,** J Theobald, K Theobald, C Munro, **S Wilkinson.** Peel 79, Palmers Oakey 80.

12-07-1951 Special recreation trustees meeting held at night at Martins Cottage . Present D T Ferguson, E J Bennett, **S Wilkinson,** D L Ferguson, the meeting was held to discuss the spending of the amount of £25-0-0 granted by the Minister of Lands to be spent on repairs and improvements to the recreation reserve. It was decided to erect a new lavatory if cost not too high limit £18-0-0. D L Ferguson to interview C Munro on the matter, also decided if funds sufficient to put new doors on the shelter shed. Matter to be reviewed.

15-11-1951 Bush fire meeting held at D L Fergusons to elect office bearers. President. C Shumack, Vice President. D L Ferguson, Captain. D L Ferguson, Vice Captains. Les Seaman, Ned Bennett, C Munro, Sam Harrison, **S Wilkinson.** Equipment to be moved from T Fergusons to D L Fergusons. Decided no further levy needed.

00-03-1952 D T Ferguson sold "Spencers" to **S Wilkinson** for £3266-17-0

01-02-1953 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members Mrs W Ferguson, D L Ferguson, C Ferguson, Mrs C Munro, C Munro, J Theobald, **Mrs J Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson**

18-06-1953 Rec trustees meeting held at D L Fergusons. Present E J Bennett, C Munro, **S Wilkinson,** D T Ferguson, D L Ferguson. The business discussed being spending a grant of £25-0-0 received from the Minister of Lands on 8-4-53. Moved C Munro seconded **S Wilkinson** that a chimney be erected in the weather shed, balance of money to be spent on the completion of the weather shed and the construction of a table also. A statement of cost of bricks and labour to be found out. Inside measurements of chimney to be , depth 2', width 3' to arch, total height 8'.
Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members for 1954 Mrs W Ferguson, Mrs C Munro, **Mrs S Wilkinson,**
Mrs F Alexander, Mrs F Theobald, D L Ferguson, C Ferguson, **S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson,** F Alexander, C Munro, F Theobald , J Theobald

30-09-1954 Annual Rec. trustees meeting held at D L Fergusons at 8 PM Thursday. Moved C Munro seconded E J Bennett that the grass rights be let to D L Ferguson for 3 years @ 15/- per year , the reason being that he was the only resident prepared to rent same. Moved **S Wilkinson** seconded D L Ferguson that a wing be constructed on to the lavatory, three sheets of iron being provided **by S Wilkinson** , to be constructed by voluntary labour. Present C Munro, E J Bennett, **S Wilkinson,** D L Ferguson. W T Ferguson to act as auditor. Report. During the year to 30-9-1954 two meetings were held, weather shed was completed, table, gal iron shutter, and door on front of shed. Work voluntary.

1-10-53	Bank	4-15-0
1-10-53	Cash	1-10-0
	Grass rent	15-0
	Cr. Bal	7- 0-0 Payments during year nil.

Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members for 1955 Mrs F Alexander, Mrs C Munro, Mrs F Theobald, Mrs J T Theobald, **Mrs S Wilkinson,** Mrs D Ferguson, Miss Joan Miller, Miss Pat Miller, F Alexander, F Theobald, C Ferguson, **S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson,** J Theobald, C Munro D L Ferguson

14-01-1957 **Jack Wilkinson** passed away early morning. While locals where digging his grave word came that Tom Ferguson had passed away. Very hot day.

15-01-1957 **Jack Wilkinson** buried at Palmers Oakey.

00-00-1958 Bush fire brigade meeting held at D Fergusons, present ware E Maloney. **S Wilkinson.** W Shumack. E Bennett. D Ferguson. C Munro. P Manning. C Shumack. D Thompson. Moved there be no levy this year. The following office bearers were elected. Chairman C Shumack. Sec/Treas. D Thompson. Captain W Shumack. Dep Captains E Bennett and C Munro. Lieutenants E Maloney**. S Wilkinson.** D Thompson.

00-00-1958 **Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Members.** Mrs F Alexander, Mrs D Ferguson, Mrs C Munro, **Mrs S Wilkinson.** Mr C Ferguson, D Ferguson. C Munro**, S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson.**

07-07-1959 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club reformed at a meeting held at "Oaks", and it was discussed if the court was to have lights. Moved D Ferguson seconded B Thompson that W K Shumack be Chairman. Moved D Ferguson seconded **Mrs S Wilkinson that** C D Munro be Vice Chairman. Moved B Thompson seconded **Mrs S Wilkinson** that C Ferguson be Secretary. Moved B Thompson seconded C D Munro that D Ferguson be Treasurer. Moved B Thompson seconded S Knight that membership fees be Ladies 10/- and Gents £1-0-0. Moved **Mrs S Wilkinson** seconded S Knight that Committee go ahead and light the court and arrange means of financing same. Moved B Thompson seconded J Theobald that a fat lamb be raffled tickets to be 1/- each. Moved B Thompson seconded

J Ryndus that treasurer purchase 10 x 100 raffle books. Moved D Thompson seconded E J Bennett that Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Treasurer form sub-committee for raffle. **Moved S Wilkinson** seconded J Theobald sub-committee investigate cost of lighting and arrange for next meeting.

00-08-1959 --- 00-09-1959 Locals working on auto phone line, this consisted of some new poles , fitting crossarms to all poles, wooden spindles on the straits and steel spindles on the corners. This was to carry 4 sets of wires, the pair from the bottom end of the valley were for E Maloney, **S Wilkinson,** C Shumack, and W Shumack. The next pair were for D Ferguson, C Munro, C Ferguson. The next pair were for "Warrie" and the other pair for L Palmer on Mt Horrible. A pair were later "hung" for D Thompson (1978) to connect on to L Palmers wires , Leo having no use for them.

15-12-1959 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" starting at 9-10 PM. Present were W K Shumack (chairman), **Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson, A Wilkinson,** S Knight, C Munro, E J Bennett, R McKinnon, J.Theobald, C Ferguson (sec). Apologies B Thompson, J Ryndus, Mrs W Shumack. Sec read the minutes of previous meeting Moved C Munro seconded E Bennett they be passed. The raffle for the fat lamb was drawn by **Mrs S Wilkinson** and the winning ticket (yellow 34) was held by David Thompson Coolamigal. Nett Profit was £23-6-10. **Moved S Wilkinson** seconded C Munro that the extra money required be raised by debentures. Moved S Knight seconded **Mrs S Wilkinson** that Secretary see Terry Banfield (electrician)re cost of lights. Moved W Shumack seconded J Theobald that **Mrs S Wilkinson** be temp treas in D Fergusons absence.

16-01-1960 **Alan Wilkinson** married Patricia Miller at Bathurst.

26-01-1960 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" 8-45 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, Mrs **S Wilkinson**, S Wilkinson, J Theobald, C Ferguson sec. Apologies C Munro, E Bennett. Sec read minutes of last meeting , **Mrs S Wilkinson** moved and seconded J Theobald they be passed. No correspondence. Accounts Western Times 5/6. **Moved S Wilkinson** seconded J Theobald that Sec pay ac. at Times. Moved **Mrs S Wilkinson** seconded J Theobald sec contact Banfield, Wilson re costs of lighting court and cost of power point and light in shed.

02-03-1961 Annual Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" at 8-54 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, **Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson,** E Bennett, J Theobald, S Knight, C Munro, D Ferguson, C Ferguson, No apologies. Moved **Mrs S Wilkinson** seconded C Munro that minutes be passed. Office Bearers. Moved D Ferguson seconded S Knight that W Shumack be chairman. Moved E Bennett seconded S Knight that C Ferguson be Secretary. Moved **Mrs S Wilkinson** seconded S Knight that D Ferguson be treasurer. Accounts £2-7-6 for teapot. Cr Bal £42-5-7. Moved D Ferguson seconded J Theobald that an A/c for P 0 Tennis Club be opened at Commonwealth Savings Bank. Moved **Mrs S Wilkinson** seconded E Bennett that Chairman Treasurer and Secretary operate the A/c. Sec read a quote from T Banfield for lighting court. Cost £125-0-0 plus running expenses. A discussion was held re lighting court and a count of intending players was approx 15. Moved S Knight seconded D Ferguson that S Knight inquire cost of tape to mark court. Moved S Knight seconded D Ferguson that membership fee be retrospective to 1-7-60. Moved C Ferguson seconded S Knight that a working bee to be held as soon as possible and tennis start following Sunday. Moved S Knight seconded J Theobald working bee to be held 5-3-61 at 2 PM. Moved S Knight seconded **Mrs S Wilkinson** that club supply tea and members bring own refreshments. Moved S Knight seconded C Munro Ex. call next meeting. Meeting closed 10.15 PM.

29-06-1961 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks" 8.40 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, **Mrs S Wilkinson**. S Knight, D Ferguson, J Theobald, C Munro, C Ferguson. Apology from E Bennett. Moved D Ferguson seconded **Mrs S Wilkinson** minutes as read be passed. Letter from Mrs J D Martin thanking club for a donation of a cup and help given to Dark Corner Tournament to raise funds for the Red Cross Silver Bride Competition. Accounts Bank £42-5-7 Cash £1-18-0 £44-3-7 D Ferguson reported Rec Trustees had received a grant of £50-0-0. S Knight reported tape would cost £21 -0-0, it was decided it was too dear. Treasurer reported a/c was opened at bank. Moved S Knight seconded S Wilkinson that executives action re Dark Corner Cup be endorsed, cost £2-5-0. Moved D Ferguson seconded **Mrs S Wilkinson** Sec obtain quotes to light court and members also find out what they could re types of lights etc. **Moved S Wilkinson** seconded S Knight, Deadline for installation be 30-9-61. Moved S Knight seconded **Mrs S Wilkinson** that Annual Meeting be held 20-7-61 and sec send notices to all members.

18-07-1961 Annual Palmers Oakey Tennis Club Meeting held at "Oaks" 8-10 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, D Thompson, B Thompson, **Mrs S Wilkinson, S Wilkinson,** J Theobald, C Munro, S Knight, D Ferguson, C Ferguson. Apology **A Wilkinson.** Moved D Ferguson seconded C Munro that minutes be passed. No Correspondence. Treasurer reported Credit Bal £45-13-7. Sec read quotes for lights installation. T Banfield Bathurst £160-0-0 and Barry Murphy Wallerawang £120-0-0. Moved D Thompson seconded J Theobald that B Murphy be contacted for a more definite quote and if right go ahead. Moved B Thompson seconded D Ferguson Hartley C C be contacted re power cost. Moved **Mrs S Wilkinson** seconded S Knight that Ex notify date of work on court. Moved C Munro seconded **Mrs S Wilkinson** that Ex set date of next meeting .

27-09-1962 Palmers Oakey Tennis Club meeting held at "Oaks"9.30 PM. Present W Shumack chairman, C Munro, B Thompson, E J Bennett, J Theobald, L Constable, **S Wilkinson,** D Ferguson, C Ferguson. No Apologies. Moved D Ferguson seconded E Bennett minutes be accepted. No correspondence. **S Wilkinson** reported that Mr McCann was unable to do the lighting of the court .Treasurers Report Bank £58-17-2 Cash £3- 8-0 £62-5-2 A discussion was held re the lighting of the court. Moved C Munro seconded J Theobald that the sec contact H Schofield, M Scott and others re quotes. Moved C Munro seconded **S Wilkinson** that 30-11-1962 be deadline for installation and sec notify members when quotes to hand. It was left to the ex. to call next meeting. Meeting closed 10.30 PM.

15-07-1965 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks". Present J Elbourn, W Shumack, A Henderson, D Ferguson, E Bennett, C Ferguson, **S Wilkinson,** C Munro, B Thompson, D Thompson. It was agreed to order more 2 way radios.

09-10-1968 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at "Oaks" Present C Munro, **S Wilkinson,** L Munro, W Shumack, B Thompson, J Bryant, B Bryant, C Ferguson. Levy $3-00 per 500 sheep.

14-02-1980 Bush Fire Brigade meeting at C Fergusons. Present W Shumack, G Gotch, C Munro, **S Wilkinson,** G DiFalco, A DiFalco, N DiFalco.

00-12-1980 Telecom laid cable from RA X at Limekilns to **Wilkinsons.**

22-12-1982 **Wilkinsons,** Cochrans, Shumacks, Munros, Thompsons, at Fergusons for Xmas cheer.

19-04-1984 **Alan Wilkinson** and Bob Lamb had accident in Black Soil, Bob was towing a caravan and it sideswiped Alan's truck.

19-04-1985 **Paul Wilkinson** and his wife Tracy were badly hurt in a car accident on their honeymoon.

31-05-1985 **Chris Wilkinson** had an accident with Land Rover at Spencers, taken to Hospital but not hurt too much.

26-06-1985 **Stan Wilkinson** taken to Hospital in Ambulance with pneumonia.

23-07-1987 Mrs Miller died. (**Pat Wilkinsons** mother)

21-07-1988	21st birthday party at **Wilkinsons** for **Chris Wilkinson**
11-03-1989	Duncan Ferguson and **Chris Wilkinson** married at Kelso.
23-07-1989	**Stan Wilkinson** passed away at Portland.
27-07-1989	**Stan Wilkinson** buried at Pipers Flat.
22-06-1991	Mining Co took up lease on Moonlight, M Cosgrove, A.Wilkinson , Therese Cock and C Ferguson to Sofala to see Company reps & mining warden
29-01-1992	**Josie Wilkinson** passed away at home in Portland
03-02-1992	**Josie Wilkinson's** funeral at Portland, buried at Pipers Flat

COMMON RECORDS

	NAME	HORSES	CATTLE
1891	Alfred Wilkinson	4	12
	Samuel Wilkinson	1	
1892	A E Wilkinson	2	
	Samuel Wilkinson	1	
	Alfred Wilkinson	1	17
1893	Alfred Wilkinson	1	16
	Samuel Wilkinson	1	
	A E Wilkinson	2	
1894	Alfred Wilkinson	1	20
	A E Wilkinson	4	
1895	A E Wilkinson	3	
	A Wilkinson	1	19
1896	A Wilkinson Snr	1	8
	A E Wilkinson	4	
1897	A Wilkinson Snr	1	8
	A E Wilkinson	2	2
1898	A Wilkinson Snr		12
	A E Wilkinson	1	5
1899	A Wilkinson Snr	1	12
	A Wilkinson Jnr	2	5
1900	A Wilkinson Snr	2	8
	A Wilkinson Jnr	2	7
1901	A Wilkinson Snr	2	8
	A Wilkinson Jnr	2	6
1902	A Wilkinson Snr	2	8
	A Wilkinson Jnr	2	7
	William Wilkinson	1	
1903	A Wilkinson Son	1	8
	A Wilkinson Jr	2	7
	W Wilkinson	1	
1904	Alfred Wilkinson	1	8
	Alf Wilkinson	3	
	W Wilkinson	1	
	W J Wilkinson		7
1905	Alfred Wilkinson	2	10
	Alf Wilkinson	6	
	W J Wilkinson	1	6
1906	Alfred Wilkinson Sn	2	10
	Alf Wilkinson Jr	3	2
	William Wilkinson	1	1
	W J Wilkinson	1	9
1907	Alfred Wilkinson Sn	2	11
	William Wilkinson	1	1
	W J Wilkinson		9
1908	Alfred Wilkinson Sn	2	10
	William Wilkinson	1	2
	W J Wilkinson	1	11
	Alf Wilkinson Jr	3	4
1909	Alfred Wilkinson Sn	2	10
	W Wilkinson	1	
	W J Wilkinson	1	13
	Alf Wilkinson Jr	3	3

WILKINSON

1. **David Byrnes** b. 1768, Ireland, occupation Tailor, m. 23-12-1810, in St. Johns Parramatta, **Ann Griffin,** b. 1788, occupation Free by Servitude, d. 26-09-1848, Benevolent Asylum, buried: 27-09-1848, Parish St Lawrence, Sydney. David died 25-03-1848, Castlereagh, buried: 27-03-1848, Castlereagh. Arrived in Aust, 16-02-1800 per "*Friendship*" from Cork as a Convict. Granted pardon 31-01-1813 Ann: Tried on the 11-03-1803 at Nottingham under the name of Ann Reffin, sentenced to 7 years transportation. Arrived Sydney 24-06-1804 per "*Experiment*" from Cowes. In 1809 Ann was granted 100 acres at Parramatta by the Rebel Gov. but had to surrender it in 1810

Children:

	i	James Byrnes	b. 19-05-1806, m. 26-07-1830, in St.Johns Parramatta, **Harriet Nicholson** , d. 1865. James died 29-01-1876, Nepean, buried: Castlereagh C of E.
2.	ii	Ann Byrnes	b. 04-02-1810.
	iii	John Byrnes	b. 29-12-1813.
4.	iv	EsterByrnes	b. 01-06-1815.
	v	Catherine Sophia Byrnes	b. 21-08-1819, Parramatta,bpt 22-07-1827, St.Johns Parramatta.
5.	vi	Samuel Byrnes	b. 13-05-1826.

Second Generation

2. **Ann Byrnes** b. 04-02-1810, Parramatta, bpt 01-09-1811, St.Johns Parramatta, m. 19-11-1827, in St.Johns , **William Jackson**.

Children:

	i	John Jackson	b. 00-00-1831.
	ii	Mary A Jackson	b. 00-00-1833.
	iii	Caroline Deborah Jackson	b. 00-00-1837, d. 19-02-1841, Castlereagh.

3. **John Byrnes** b. 29-12-1813, Parramatta, 30-05-1814, St.Johns Parramatta, m. 1838, in Narellan Parish, **Eliza Aplet.** John died 1888, Penrith.

Children:

	i	William Byrnes	b. 00-00-1832, Parramatta.
	ii	Jeremiah Byrnes	b. 00-00-1834, Parramatta, d. 1881, Parramatta.
	iii	John Byrnes	b. 00-00-1836, Parramatta.
	iv	Catherine S Byrnes	b. 00-00-1840, Windsor.
6.	v	Harriet Byrnes	b. 01-07-1846.
	vi	Joseph Byrnes	b. 00-00-1850, Parramatta.
	vii	John Byrnes	b. 00-00-1850, Windsor.
	viii	Susannah Byrnes	b. 00-00-1851, Windsor.

4. **Ester Byrnes** b. 01-06-1815, Parramatta, m. 20-08-1832, in St.Johns Parramatta,Rev Samuel Marsden, **John Wilkinson**, b. 1810, Parramatta, (son of John Wilkinson and Sarah). Ester died 12-07-1896, Ilford, buried: 14-07-1896, Ilford. John: In 1822 he was in the Parramatta Orphan School

Children:

	i	John Wilkinson	b. 21-07-1833.
	ii	Sarah Wilkinson	b. 24-09-1835, Bringelly, bpt 03-07-1836, St.Pauls Cobbitty
	iii	Emma Wilkinson	b. 27-10-1837, Greendale, 28-02-1838, St.Pauls Cobbitty Twin to Jane
	iv	Jane Wilkinson	b. 27-10-1837, Greendale, 28-02-1838, St.Pauls Cobbitty , d.28-02-1838.
8.	v	HenryWilkinson	b. 08-01-1840.
9.	vi	Alfred Wilkinson	b. 24-03-1842.
10.	vii	David Wilkinson	b. 07-02-1844.
11.	viii	Catherine Sophia Wilkinson	b. 08-05-1846.
	ix	William Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1848, Greendale, d. 02-04-1921, Capertee.
	x	Major Thomas Wilkinson	b. 14-11-1850, Greendale, bpt 25-12-1950, St.Marks Greendale.
12.	xi	Jemima Wilkinson	b. 19-02-1853.
	xii	Eliza Ann Wilkinson	b. 11-05-1855, Greendale,bpt 24-06-1855, St.Marks Greendale, m. 1875, in Mudgee, **Thomas Irwin.**
13.	xiii	James Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1857.
14.	xiv	Samuel Wilkinson	b. 04-06-1859.

5. **Samuel Byrnes** b. 13-05-1826, Parramatta, bpt 22-07-1827, St.Johns Parramatta, m. (1) 24-03-1846, in Weslean Church Windsor, **Elizabeth Lewis**, m. (2) 07-03-1854, in Wesleyan Church Windsor, **Eliza Gorman,** m. (3) in Penrith, **Ellen Nicholls.** Samuel died 04-09-1917, Cambridge Park Penrith, buried: Castlereigh Methodist.

Children by Elizabeth Lewis:

	i	James Byrnes	b. 00-00-1846.
	ii	Samuel Byrnes	b. 00-00-1848.
	iii	Emma Byrnes	b. 00-00-1849.

Children by Eliza Gorman:

	iv	Sarah Bymes	b. 00-00-1855.
	v	Maria Byrnes	b. 00-00-1857.
	vi	George Bymes	b. 00-00-1862.
	vii	Henry Byrnes	b. 00-00-1863.
	viii	Charles G Byrnes	b. 00-00-1865.
	ix	Edith E Byrnes	b. 00-00-1867.
	x	William T Byrnes	b. 00-00-1869.
	xi	Ann Byrnes	b. 00-00-1872.
	xii	Percy A Byrnes	b. 00-00-1875.

Third Generation

6. **Harriet Byrnes** b. 01-07-1846, Windsor, m. 13-03-1865, in Christ Church Castlereagh, **Alfred Wilkinson,** b.24-03-1842, Greendale, 05-06-1842, St.Pauls Cobbitty (No180), (son of John Wilkinson and Ester Byrnes)occupation Carrier, d. 13-06-1910, Capertee. Harriet died 14-07-1887.

Children:

	i	Jemima Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1867,	m.	1884, in Sofala, **Edward Corney.**
15	ii	Alfred Ernest Wilkinson	b. 13-12-1870.		
16.	iii	William James (Jack) Wilkinson	b. 17-02-1874.		
	iv	Sarah Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1875,	m.	1897, in Sofala, **William Shaw.**
	v	Clara Jane Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1876,	m.	1895, in Bathurst, **Albert Barber.**
	vi	John Wilkinson	b. 00-09-1881,		d. 19-09-1881.

7. **John Wilkinson** b. 21-07-1833, Mulgoa, bt 20-04-1835, St.Pauls Cobbitty, m.26-02-1855, St.Marks Greendale, **Maria Ford.** John died 02-03-1891, Bargo.

Children:

i	Mary A Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1857.
ii	Esther Jane Wilkinson	b. 25-11-1858, Greendale,bpt 06-02-1859, St.Pauls Cobbitty.
iii	John Wilkinson	b. 19-10-1860, Greendale, bpt 02-12-1860, St.Pauls Cobbitty.
iv	Joseph Henry Wilkinson	b. 23-08-1862, Greendale, bpt 05-10-1862, St.Pauls Cobbitty, d.09-07-1901,
v	Elizabeth P Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1864.
vi	George Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1866.
vii	Frederick W Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1869.
viii	Sarah Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1870.
ix	Eliza Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1873.
x	Alice F Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1875.
xi	Florence E Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1877.
xii	Maria Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1879.

8. **Henry Wilkinson** b. 08-01-1840, Greendale, 02-02-1840, St.Pauls Cobbitty (No57), m. 1859, in Penrith, **Sidney Hamilton.**

Children:

i	Susan J Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1860.
ii	Esther Wilkinson	b. 09-10-1862, Greendale, bpt 02-11-1862, St.Pauls Cobbitty.
iii	Emma Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1867.
iv	Mary Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1869.
v	James Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1874.
vi	Margaret Hamilton Wilkinson	b. 19-04-1876, Mulgoa Forrest, bpt 24-08-1876, St.Pauls Cobbitty.
vii	Ethel Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1878.
viii	Thomas Wilkinson	b. 01-09-1880, Mulgoa Forrest, bpt 08-11-1880, St.Pauls Cobbitty.
ix	Sybil Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1883.
x	Crosbie Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1884. Twin to Samuel
xi	Samuel Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1884. Twin to Crosbie
xii	Dora Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1887.
xiii	Harold Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1889.

9. **Alfred Wilkinson** b. 24-03-1842, Greendale, 05-06-1842, St.Pauls Cobbitty (Nol 80), occupation Carrier, m. (1) 13-03-1865, in Christ Church Castlereagh, **Harriet Byrnes**, m. (2) 00-00-1893, in Palmers Oakey, **Frances Dyson,** b. 24-07-1859, Palmers Oakey, (daughter of James Dyson and Mary Chapman) d. 05-06-1950, Clandulla, buried: 07-06-1950, Capertee. Alfred died 13-06-1910,Capertee.**Francis See Dyson Tree**

Children by Harriet Byrnes

	i	Jemima Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1867,	m.	1884, in Sofala, **Edward Corney.**
15	ii	Alfred Ernest Wilkinson	b. 13-12-1870.		
16.	iii	William James (Jack) Wilkinson	b. 17-02-1874.		
	iv	Sarah Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1875,	m.	1897, in Sofala, **William Shaw.**
	v	Clara Jane Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1876,	m.	1895, in Bathurst, **Albert Barber.**
	vi	John Wilkinson	b. 00-09-1881,		d. 19-09-1881.

Children by Frances Dyson:

17.	vii	Rosieina M Wilkinson	b. 21-12-1893.		
	viii	Esther Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1896,	m.	**??? Anderson.**
	ix	Benit D Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1900,	m.	**Dorrie Hill.**
	x	Matilda L Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1902.		

10 **David Wilkinson** b. 07-02-1844, Greendale, 02-06-1844, St.Pauls Cobbitty, m. 26-04-1865, Sarah Byrnes. in Christ Church Castlereagh, David died 17-11-1905, buried: St.Stephens Penrith.

Children:

i	Susannah Wilkinson	b. 15-05-1866, Castlereagh, 24-06-1866, Christ Church Castlereagh.
ii	Eliza Esther Wilkinson	b. 18-03-1869, Castlereagh, 16-05-1869, Christ Church Castlereagh.
iii	William Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1871, d. 1871.
iv	Selina Wilkinson	b. 15-04-1872, Nepean, 12-04-1872, Christ Church , m. 1894, **Joseph Wade.**
v	Ada Harriet Wilkinson	b. 21-02-1874, Nepean, 29-03-1874, Christ Church Castlereagh.
vi	David Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1876.
vii	Luther Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1877, d. 22-12-1878, Castlereagh.
viii	Henry Albert Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1879.
ix	Amy A Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1881.
x	Annie Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1885.
xi	Martha Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1885.
xii	Freddy Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1887.

11. **Catherine Sophia Wilkinson** b. 08-05-1846, Greendale, 04-07-1846, Mulgoa Parish (No124), m.12-1 1-1867, in Sofala, **Thomas Ford**, b. -1845, d. 1932. Catherine died 27-12-1895, Ilford.

Children:

18.	i	John Ford	b. 00-00-1868.		
	ii	Emma J Ford	b. 29-07-1869,	m.	1895, in Rylstone, **Jack Romans.**
	iii	Elizabeth P Ford	b. 27-12-1870.		
19.	iv	Major T Ford	b. 14-03-1872.		
	v	Hester Ford	b. 26-04-1874,	m.	1897, in Rylstone, **George LeMesurier.**
	vi	Anne Ford	b. 01-10-1875,	m.	**Arthur Goodlet.**
	vii	Edward P Ford.			
	viii	Samuel Ford	b. 25-10-1878.		
	ix	William J Ford	b. 11-03-1880.		
20.	x	Eliza Ford	b. 07-06-1881.		
21.	xi	Ernest A Ford	b. 24-11-1884.		
	xii	Herbert Ford	b. 29-01-1888,		d. 17-01-1902.
	xiii	Alfred Ford	b. 29-01-1888,	m.	**Florence I Winslow.**
	xiv	Cecil Ford	b. 00-00-1889,	m.	**Irene Delaney**.

12. **Jemima Wilkinson** b. 19-02-1853, Greendale, 27-05-1853, St.Marks Greendale, m. (1) 23-10-1888, in Wallerawang, **William James Fraser,** b. 03-02-1 845, Bathurst, occupation Butcher, d. 09-08-1922, Merrylands, buried: Rookwood, m. (2) 1886, in Wallerawang, **Thomas Harland.** Jemima died 26-11-1939, Merrylands, buried: Rookwood.

Children by William James Fraser:

22.	i	Sophia Patience Fraser	b. 05-04-1890.

13. **James Wilkinson** b. 1857, Greendale, m. 12-12-1890, in Penrith, **Fanny Wright.** James died 19-01-1906, Bowenfells.

Children:

	i	Clara Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1894, Penrith.
	ii	Henry Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1895, Tara, d. 1896, Tara.
	iii	Violet M Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1897, Tara, m. **Blissington.** Violet died 1994, Wollongong. 6 kids
23.	iv	Ruby Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1900.
	v	Leslie Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1904, Tara.

14. **Samuel Wilkinson** b. 04-06-1859, Greendale, m. 30-12-1885, **Sarah Ann Wright.** Samuel died 10-03-1909, Bathurst.

Children:

24.	i	Samuel John Wilkinson	b. 05-01-1888.		
	ii	William J Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1890,	m.	1915, in Orange, **Louisa Markham.**
	iii	Ester J Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1891,	m.	1912, in Rylstone, **Henry V Anderson.**
	iv	Sarah S Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1895.		
	v	Irine Eliza Wilkinson	b. 06-10-1908, Bathurst.		

Fourth Generation

15. **Alfred Ernest Wilkinson** b. 13-12-1870, Castlereagh, occ Teamster, m. 22-04-1903, in Sofala, **Francis Jane Mansfield,** b. 1886, Mullet Cr near Newcastle, (daughter of James John Mansfield and Frances Dyson) d. 18-08-1962, Portland, buried: 20-08-1962, Capertee. Alfred died 28-10-1931, Capertee, buried: 29-10-1931, Capertee.

Children:

25.	i	Florence Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1904.		
	ii	Alfred James Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1905.		
	iii	Henry Thomas Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1906,	m.	1940, in Portland, **Christina Stewart**.
	iv	Samuel Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1908.		
	v	Ernest Alfred Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1911.		
	vi	Douglas Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1914,		d. 1914.
	vii	Frederick Charles Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1915, Wattle Flat.		
	viii	Charles Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1916.		
	ix	William Claude Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1918,	m.	1944, in Temora, **Lillian May Edwards.**
	x	Stanley A Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1920.		
	xi	??? Wilkinson.			
	xii	Cecil R Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1923.		

16. **William James (Jack) Wilkinson** b. 17-02-1874, Tara between Sofala & Illford, occupation Miner, farmer, contractor, m. **Mary Ellen Henley**, b. 1889, Palmers Oakey, d. 03-05-1965, buried: Palmers Oakey. William died 14-01-1957, Palmers Oakey, buried: Palmers Oakey. Mary:(**See Henley Chart)(See McIntyre Chart).**

Children:

26.	i	Stanley Wilkinson	b. 07-10-1911.

17. **Rosieina M Wilkinson** b. 21-12-1893, m. 1910, in Rylstone, **Ernest A Ford,** b. 24-11-1884, (son of Thomas Ford and Catherine Sophia Wilkinson). Rosieina died 12-07-1963.

Children:

27.	i	Josephine Matilda Ford	b. 07-10-1911.
	ii	Elsie May Ford	b. 04-04-1916, m. (1) **Douglas Dyson George**, b. 1894, m. (2) **Allen Andres.**
	iii	Albert Ernest Ford	b. 27-04-1920.
	iv	Olive Roseina Ford	b. 02-11-1930, m. **Neville Stephen Currie**.

18. **John Ford** b. 1868, m. 1896, in Rylstone, **Alice Freestone**. John died 18-07-1954.

Children:

	i	Mary S Ford	b. 00-00-1896, Rylstone	, m.	1915, in Rylstone, **Herbert Blume.**
	ii	John T H Ford	b. 00-00-1898, Rylstone,		d. 26-06-1976, buried: Capertee.
	iii	William H Ford	b. 00-00-1903, Rylstone.		
	iv	Emily A Ford	b. 00-00-1905, Rylstone,	m.	1928, in Rylstone, **James Large.**
	v	Alfred James Ford	b. 01-03-1907, Rylstone,	m.	**Mary Jones**.
	vi	Lillian M Ford	m. (1)1909, in Rylstone, **Peter Dooley,** m. (2) 1938, in Ryistone,		**Cecil Harold Hanslow.**
	vii	Olive M Ford	b. 00-00-1912, Rylstone.		
	viii	Percy Ford.			
28.	ix	Ken Ford	b.31-08-1921.		
	x	Grace Ford	b. 00-00-1913, Rylstone,	m.	1932, in Rylstone, **Karl W Glassier.**
	xi	Arthur P Ford	b. 00-00-1916, Rylstone.		

19. **Major T Ford** b. 14-03-1872, m. 1895, in Rylstone, **Sarah M Freestone,** b. 13-09-1874.

Children:

	i	Ernest Thomas Ford	b. 10-05-1889,	m.	1923, in Rylstone, **Matilda Hill.**
	ii	Ruby Matilda Ford	b. 12-10-1896,	m. (1) **Sam Freeman,** m. (2) **Thomas Muldoon.**	
	iii	Ethel May Ford	b. 30-03-1901,	m.	**Charles Alick Ferguson**.
	iv	Henry Albert Ford.			
	v	Alexander Ford.			
	vi	Emily Ada Ford.			
	vii	William Ford	b. 29-12-1910,	m.	**Daphne Taylor**.

20. **Eliza Ford** b. 07-06-1881, m. 1906, in Rylstone, **Frank Sharp**. Eliza died 19-09-1951.

Children:

	i	Edward Sharp	b. 00-00-1906.
	ii	Arthur Sharp	b. 00-00-1907.
	iii	Mavis Sharp	b. 00-00-1911.
	iv	Lynda Sharp	b. 00-00-1916.

21. **Ernest A Ford (See marriage to number 17.)**

22. **Sophia Patience Fraser** b. 05-04-1890, Cudgegong m. 1912, in Ilford, **Robert Bush Slapp.**

Children:

	i	Lawson Fraser Slapp	b. 00-00-1913, Dubbo.	
	ii	Robert William Slapp	b. 00-00-1917, Dubbo.	
	iii	Herbert Nelson Slapp	b. 00-00-1924.	Killed R.A.A.F.
	iv	Helen Patience Slapp	m.	?? **Woodley.**

23. **Ruby Wilkinson** b. 1900, Tara, m. 1924, in Forbes, **Joseph Edwards.**

Children:

	i	Valda Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1918.
	ii	Laurie Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1921.
	iii	Roy Joseph Edwards	b. 00-00-1926.
	iv	Irene	b. 00-00-1943.

24. **Samuel John Wilkinson** b. 05-01-1888, Tara between Sofal & Illford, m. 1910, in Bathurst, **Harriet Gillespe.**

Children:

	i	Emily Mavis Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1909,	m. **Ernest Rosewarne**.
	ii	Stanley Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1914.	

Fifth Generation

25. **Florence Wilkinson** b. 1904.

Children:

29.	i	Clara Jane Wilkinson	b. 00-00-1925.

26. **Stanley Wilkinson** b. 07-10-1911, Palmers Oakey, m. **Josephine Matilda Ford,** b. 07-10-1911, (daughter of Ernest A Ford and Rosieina M Wilkinson) d. 29-01-1992, Portland, buried: . Stanley died 23-07-1989, Portland, buried: Pipers Flat.

Children:

30.	i	Stanley Alan Wilkinson	b. 09-01-1939.

27. **Josephine Matilda Ford (See marriage to number 26.)**

28. **Ken Ford** b. 31-08-1921, m. 1944, in Rylstone, **Sylvia Thelma Ford.** Ken died 22-10-2008, buried: 27-10-2008, Capertee.

Children:

	i	Elizabeth Kay Ford b. 29-06-1946.	**See Bennett Tree**

Sixth Generation

29. **Clara Jane Wilkinson** b. 1925, Capertee, d. 08-06-1994, Lithgow, buried: 14-06-1994, Capertee.

Children:

	i	Nola Joy Wilkinson	b. 22-09-1958, Portland.

30. Stanley Alan Wilkinson b. 09-01-1939 , m. **Patricia Miller.**

Children:

	i	Therese Wilkinson	b. 22-10-1960, m.	**Nicholas Cock,** b. 00-09-1957.
31.	ii	Paul Wilkinson	b. 22-10-1962.	
32.	iii	Christine Joan Wilkinson	b. 23-07-1967.	
	iv	Geoffery Wilkinson	b. 15-11-1972.	

Seventh Generation

31. **Paul Wilkinson** b. 22-10-1962 , m. **Tracey Bellamy**, b. 08-02-1962.

Children.'

i	Bridgette Ann Wilkinson	b 16-06-1985.
ii	Matthew Alan Wilkinson	b. 10-12-1987.
iii	Lisa Wilkinson	b. 09-03-1989.

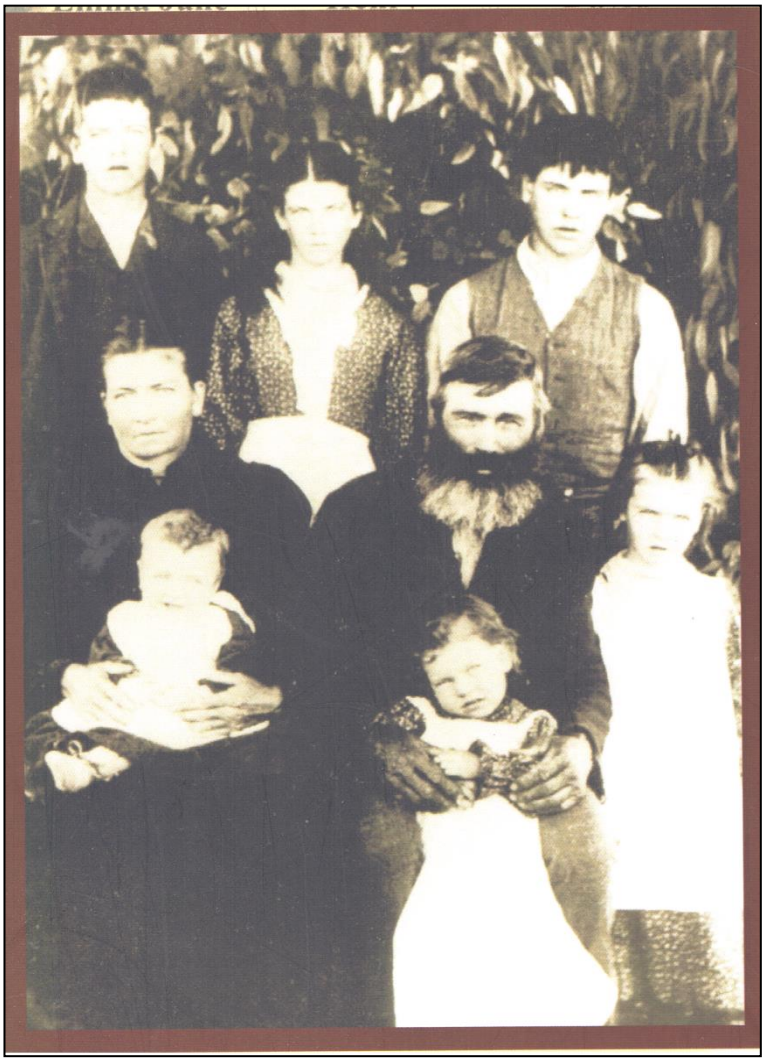
32. **Christine Joan Wilkinson** b. 23-07-1967, m. In Kelso **Duncan Latham Ferguson**, b. 10-05-1967, Sydney.
Duncan See Ferguson Tree

Children:

i	Matilda Therese Ferguson	b. 12-01-1991, Bathurst.
ii	Will Ferguson	b. 28-02-1996, Bathurst.



STAN & JOSIE



ALFRED WILKINSON, HARRIET BYRNES.
Jemima, Alfred Ernest, William James, Clara Jane, Sarah, John,

Jack Wilkinson, Stan Guihot, Stan Wilkinson



WOLFENDEN.

The Wolfendens came to Australia in 1840 on the *"Clyde"* from England**.**
The one that wound up in Palmers Oakey was **Edward,** born 4-1-1973 at Home Rule near Mudgee.
He married **Lillian McKinnon** in 1897. They had 9 children in all.
As far as I can gather they lived with Lillians parents in the Post Office .(now Nebo) Her father was postmaster 8-5-1878 till 15-10-1907 when Lillian became postmistress. A position she held till 22-4-1912.
It was about this time they left the district and went to Lithgow.

This is how Wolfenden appears in The History of Palmers Oakey.

00-00-1896 E Wolfenden received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.
00-00-1897 E Wolfenden received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey Post Office.

COMMON ROLL 1899

NAME	ADDRESS	GROUND FOR CLAIM
Edward Wolfenden	Palmers Oakey	Miner

03-03-1900 A trustees meeting held on the Big Hill when it was decided to write to Mr W G Thompson re ground and to issue notices warning anyone from removing stock without acquainting the trustees and granting common rights to Robert Munro, and **Edward Wolfenden**. M McDonnell chairman
00-00-1900 E Wolfenden received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey P O
00-00-1905 E Wolfenden received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey P O

1906 DIVISION OF MACQUARIE PALMERS OAKEY POLLING PLACE.
Roll of persons entitled to Vote under the Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902

No.	Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
73	Wolfenden	Edward Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner

05-01-1907 A public meeting was held on this date for the purpose of electing trustees for the ensueing three years and the following trustees were duly elected; **Edward Wolfenden**, Julius Wannick, Henry Theobald, Arthur Hyde, Robert Mckinnon, D D Munro chairman.
03-03-1907 A trustees meeting was held on this date and it was resolved that all the stock that was not given in and paid for should be impounded and the meeting closed. **E Wolfenden** chairman
15-06-1907 A trustee meeting was held on this date at which the trustees gave Alf Wilkinson notice to pay for his stock and if not paid for they were to be impounded **E Wolfenden** chairman.
31-08-1907 A trustees meeting was hold on this date at which the trustees gave Daniel Hopkins notice to pay for his stock and if not paid for they were to be impounded and the meeting closed, **E Wolfenden** chairman.
15-10-1907 **Mrs Lilly Wolfenden** postmistress at Palmers Oakey in place of John McKinnon
14-12-1907 A duly advertised public meeting was hold on this date for the purpose of revising the commoners roll which was duly done and the meeting closed. **Ted Wolfenden** chairman.
21-03-1908 A trustees meeting was held on this date and it was proposed by H Theobald to call tenders to fill and cover all the holes on the lower common which was seconded by **E Wolfenden** and was duly carried And the sec was instructed to go to Sofala and bank 30 pounds that was on hand and the meeting closed, **E Wolfenden** chairman.
06-06-1908 A trustees meeting was held on this date at which there were three trustees present and granted Ah Wong a commoners right, as there was no other business to transact the meeting closed. **E Wolfenden** chairman.
12-10-1908 Meeting of trustees four present. Business, electing secretary in leiu of D Munro resigned and other business in connection with common , meeting closed **E Wolfenden** chairman.

COMMON ROLL 1908

NAME	GROUND FOR CLAIM
E Wolfenden	Maintenance Man
Mrs Wolfenden	D D

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ROLL 1908
People Registered as living in the Palmers Oakey area

No	.Surname	Christian Names	Sex	Place of Living	Occupation
66	Wolfenden	Edward Thomas	M	Palmers Oakey	Miner
67	Wolfenden	Lilian	F	Palmers Oakey	H D

15-01-1909 A public meeting was held on this date, 25 present. Business, production of balance sheet for the year 1908 and election of one trustee. Mr D McKinnon on the motion of P Munro was duly elected for the remaining 12 months of term. After other ordinary business was discussed the meeting closed**. E Wolfenden** chairman.
24-03-1909 A trustees meeting was held on the above date H Theobald in the chair. Full number present. Application from Miss E Martin and Mr C P Ferguson for common rights was refused on grounds of non-resident. L Smiths application for common right granted. A request from D Ferguson to allow him pasturage for 6 head of stock over and above his compliment on common, refused. The secretary was instructed to notify Martin Dunn that his common right shall not be granted as from the end of half year ending 30 June 1909. Meeting dosed **E Wolfenden** sec.
10-07-1909 A Trustees meeting held on the above date. D McKinnon in the chair. After discussing a motion by R McKinnon relative to a claim for improom (sic) to be put in for certain improvements on common now selected, seconded by D McKinnon. It was decided to instruct secretary to attend to this matter. Meeting closed **E Wolfenden** Sec.
18-12-1909 A trustees meeting was held on the above date for the purpose of revising the commoners roll for the year 1909. **E Wolfenden** sec.
08-01-1910 A common meeting held on the above date. D Munro in the chair. Business to elect 5 trustees for the ensuing 3 years and to show balance sheet for 1909. The following gentlemen were duly elected, Mr J T Bower, P Munro, C P Ferguson, D McKinnon, R McKinnon. Meeting closed**, E Wolfenden** Sec.
1910 E Wolfenden received a registered letter at Palmers Oakey P O

COMMON ROLL 1911

The following were on the roll but were crossed off,

E Wolfenden, Mrs Wolfenden

COMMON RECORDS

	NAME	CATTLE	HORSES
1907	Mrs Wolfenden	4	
1909	Mrs Wolfenden	2	9
	E Wolfenden	1	
1910	Mrs E Wolfenden	2	3
	E Wolfenden		5
1911	E Wolfenden	3	6
1912	E Wolfenden	5	2
	Mrs E Wolfenden		7

22-04-1912 John T Bower post master in place of **Mrs Wolfenden**

WOLFENDEN

1. **Thomas Wolfenden** m. **Martha.**

Children:

- i James Wolfenden.
- ii Jonathan Wolfenden.
- iii Elizabeth Wolfenden.

2. iv Jonathan b. 00-00-1792.

Second Generation

2. **Jonathan Wolfenden** b. 1792, m. **Alice Leach**, b. 1789, d. 1816. Jonathan died 1813.

Children:

- i Joseph Wolfenden.
- ii Mary Wolfenden.

3.. iii Thomas b.00 00-1812

Third Generation

3. **Thomas Wolfenden** b. 1812, England, m. **Hannah Georgiana Brindle**, b. 1815, d. 1874. Thomas died 1891.

Children:

- i Alice Wolfenden b. 00-00-1835, England.

4. ii Peter b. 00-00-1836.

- iii Evan Wolfenden b. 00-00-1839, England.

5. iv J John (aka Thomas) b. 08-07-1842.

Fourth Generation

4. **Peter Wolfenden** b. 1836, Manchester, m. 02-05-1859, in Tamworth, **Elizabeth McTeague**, b. 05-11-1943, d. 01-02-1922, Ashfield. Peter died 1922, buried: Stradbroke Island.

Children:

6. i Evan Peter b. 17-06-1860.
- ii Sarah Aim Wolfenden b. 00-00-1862, Forbes, d. 1873, Gulgong.
7. iii Joseph William b. 00-00-1864.
8. iv George Thomas b. 24-02-1867.
9. v Elizabeth Agnes b. 10-06-1869.
- vi Peter Wolfenden b. 00-00-1872, Gulgong, d. 1873, Gulgong.
10. vii Edward Thomas b. 04-01-1873.
11. viii Emily Agnes b. 05-10-1877.

5. **John (aka Thomas) Wolfenden** b. 08-07-1842, Gamon Plains Nundle, m. 30-12-1867, in Tamworth, **Martha Lovedale Sullivan**, buried: 01-10-1902, Nundle. John died 28-08-1922, Jenkins St Nundle, buried: 30-08-1922, RC Nundle. Martha: daughter of John Sullivan & Jane Horrigan

Children:

12. i Georgianna Hamia Lovedale b. 17-05-1868.
- ii Mary Jane Wolfenden b. 00-00-1870, Nundle, d. 19-05-1890, buried: Nundle.
13. iii Elizabeth Jane b. 00-00-1871.
14. iv Mary Anne b. 15-04-1874.
15. v John Sydney b. 06-02-l878
16. vi William Lancaster b. 00-00-1879.
17. vii Arthur Evan b. 00-00-1882.
18. viii Walter Ernest b. 00-00-1884.
19. ix Albert Victoria b. 00-00-1886.
- x Ella Ruby Wolfenden b. 00-01-1889, Nundel, d. 17-07-1889, Hanging Rock Nundle, b: Nundle.
- xi Harold Sydney Wolfenden b. 00-00-1890, Nundle, m. 1928, in Sydney, **Florence M Curnow.**
- xii Leonard Keith Wolfenden b. 00-00-1893, Nundle, d. 25-12-1917, France, buried: France. Private 2936, 36th Bn, A.I.F. attd. 9th Coy. Machine Gun Corps
- xiii Roy Clifford Wolfenden b. 00-00-1896, Nundle, d. 27-03-1818, France, buried: France. Private 1709, 36th Bn. A.I.F.

Fifth Generation

6. **Evan Peter Wolfenden** b. 17-06-1860, Tamworth, m. (1) 1906, in Picton, **Mary Edith Grant,** m. (2) **Clara Lane**, b. 1867, d. 1902. Evan died 1915, Hurstville.

Children by Mary Edith Grant:

i	Gladys Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1909,	m. **Armer Harold Minnis.**
ii	Eileen Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1911,	m. **Bramwell Joseph Highett.**

Children by Clara Lane:

iii	Ernest E Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1886.	
iv	Arthur W Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1900.	

7. **Joseph William Wolfenden** b. 1864, m. **Elizabeth Yeates.** Joseph died 1937.

Children:

20.	i	Robert Leslie	b. 00-00-1890.	
	ii	Elsie May Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1892,	m. **Sylverster.**
21.	iii	Arthur William	b. 00-00-1896.	
22.	iv	Evan Campbell	b. 00-00-1898.	
	v	Maud Lillian Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1900,	d. 1926.
23.	vi	Albert Leonard	b. 00-00-1902.	
24.	vii	Leonard	b. 00-00-1905.	
	viii	Doreen Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1907,	d. 1914.

8. **George Thomas Wolfenden** b. 24-02-1867, Wellington, m. 1891, in Canterbury, **Emily Amelia Chipperfield,** b. 1866, d. 1947. George died 1912, Rockdale.

Children:

25.	i	George Alfred	b. 00-00-1891.
26.	ii	William Leonard	b. 00-00-1893.
27.	iii	Ernest Leslie	b. 00-00-1895.
28.	iv	Edward Arthur	b. 00-00-1897.
29.	v	Sidney Harold	b. 00-00-1899.
30.	vi	Olive May	b. 00-00-1904.
31.	vii	Amy Constance	b. 00-00-1906.

9. **Elizabeth Agnes Wolfenden** b. 10-06-1869, Apple Tree Flat Via Mudgee, m. 1904, in Sydney, **Leslie J Elliott,** d 1909. Elizabeth died 08-01-1948.

Children:

	Ida Elliott	b. 00-00-1905,	d. 1905.

10. **Edward Thomas Wolfenden** b. 04-01-1873, Home Rule Via Mudgee, m. 1897, in Sunny Corner, **Lillian Helen McKinnon,** b. 17-02-1877, d. 31-10-1941, Lithgow, buried: Bowenfels. Edward died 07-09-1940, Lithgow, buried: Bowenfels. Lillian: **See Mckinnon Tree**

Children:

32.	i	Winifred Alice	b. 28-04-1898.
33.	ii	Constance Lillian	b. 00-00-1899.
	iii	John Edward Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1901, Waterloo, m. (1) 1925, in Mereweather, **Mavis H Jones,** m. (2) 1938, in Lithgow, **Catherine Nash,** m. (3) **Kate Davis.** John died 21-05-1967, Hawksbury River.
34.	iv	Archibald Walter	b. 23-04-1903.
35.	v	Alan Claude	b. 04-07-1905.
	vi	Mary May Wolfenden	b. 15-06-1907,Sofala, m.1927, Lithgow, **Alfred S J Davis.**Mary d 08-09-1994,
36.	vii	Dorothy Verna	b. 24-01-1911.
37.	viii	Edward George	b. 26-01-1913.
	ix	Evan Harold Wolfenden	b. 17-07-1916, Lithgow, d. 20-09-1963, Lithgow.

10 **Emily Agnes Wolfenden** b. 05-10-1877, Home Rule Via Mudgee, m. 1904, in Waterloo, **Louis Albert Wannick,** b.1875. Emily died 1916, Auburn. **Louis: See Wannick Tree**

Children:

38.	i	Thelma	b 00-00-1906.
	ii	Louis Edward Wannick	b. 00-00-1912, Ashfield.
	iii	Edna Wannick	b. 00-00-1916, Auburn, m. 1934, in Auburn, **Peter B Murphy.**

12. **Georgianna Hanna Lovedale Wolfenden** b. 17-05-1868, Nundle, m. 26-01-1891, in Quirindi, **James Dick.** Georgianna died 1933, Casino. James: Father John, mother Mercy

Children:

	i	Ada Dick	d. 00-00-1894, Quirindi.
39.	ii	Martha M	b. 00-00-1891.
	iii	Charles Dick	b. 00-00-1893, Nundle, d. 1893, Nundle.
	iv	Ruby I Dick	b. 00-00-1896, Nundle, d. 1916, Tingha.
	v	Rita D Dick	b. 00-00-1897, Nundle, m. 1926, in Kyogle, **Paul Prisk**.
	vi	Mercy Melba Dick	b. 00-00-1901, Nundle, d. 1901, Gunnedah.
	vii	Gladys M W Dick	b. 00-00-1902, Glen limes, d. 1918, Tingha.
	viii	Mary I Dick	b. 00-00-1907, Inverell, m. 1929, in Kyogle, **Stephen J Kennedy.**
	ix	John Leo Patrick J Dick	b. 00-00-1909, Tingha, m. 1942, Carcoar, **Margaret May Campbell.**
	x	Roy Leonard Dick	b. 00-00-1914, Inverell, m. 1939, in Casino, **Rita Gilmore.**

13. **Elizabeth Jane Wolfenden** b. 1871, Nundle, m. 1894, in Tamworth, **Alfred Taylor.** Elizabeth died 1921, Sydney.

Children:

	i	Cyril Taylor.		
	ii	Marie Taylor.		
	iii	Merle Taylor.		
	iv	Elton M Taylor	b. 00-00-1898, Nundel,	m. 1921, in Nundel, **Christina J Roylance.**
	v	Alfred G Lloyd Taylor	b. 00-00-1909, Nundel,	m. 1935, in Tamworth, **Margaret W Taylor.**
	vi	Tess Taylor	b. 00-00-1917, Nundel.	

14. **Mary Anne Wolfenden** b. 15-04-1874, Mt Misery Nundle, m. 02-05-1900, in St Andrews Tamworth, **John Odgers.** Mary died 26-04-1963, Kyogle. John: Father John mother Jane Thomas

Children:

	i	Jack Carl Odgers	b. 00-00-1901, Tamworth,	m. 1925, in Helensburgh, **Gladys A Stuckey.**
	ii	Eric V Odgers	b. 00-00-1902, Tamworth,	d. 1903, Tamworth.
40.	iii	Arthur Clive	b. 27-07-1905.	
	iv	Glen Odgers	b. 00-00-1907, Tamworth,	m. 1935, in Lismore, **Dasie E Pye.**
	v	Joan Odgers	b. 00-00-1915, Tamworth,	m. 1939, in Lismore, **Allan George Towns.**

15. **John Sydney Wolfenden** b. 06-02-1878, Mt Misery Nundel, m. (1) 1905, in Tamworth, **Elizabeth M King,** m. (2) 1914, in Glen Innes, **Ivy Annie Adeline Dixon**. John died 02-07-1926, Nundel. Elizabeth: Father George mother Rosetta Ivy: Father William mother Catherine Hamley

Children by Elizabeth M King:

	i	Victor Wolfenden	b. 30-09-1905, Tamworth.

Children by Ivy Annie Adeline Dixon:

41.	ii	Emest Roy	b. 26-07-19l4.
42.	iii	Martha Joyce	b. 19-07-1916.
43.	iv	Constance Catherine	b. 02-06-1918.
44.	v	John William	b. 09-10-1921.
45.	vi	Gloria Jane	b. 13-06-1924.
46.	vii	Patricia Dawn	b. 25-08-1926.

16. **William Lancaster Wolfenden** b. 1879, Nundel, m. 1909, in Emmaville, **Minnie Hearne**.

Children:

	i	Vera M F Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1909, Emmaville.
	ii	Mervyn W Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1910, Emmaville.
	iii	Rita D Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1914, Emmaville.

17. **Arthur Evan Wolfenden** b.1882, Nundle, m. 1908, in Inverell, **Charlotte L Parker.** Arthur died 12-08-1927, Collarenebri.

Children:

	i	Arthue Vivian Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1910, Tingra,	d. 1910, Tingra.
47	ii	Ian T	b. 00-00-1914.	
48.	iii	Keith Roy	b. 00-00-1918.	

18. **Walter Ernest Wolfenden** b. 1884, Nundle, m. 1916, in Sydney, **Anne M Renehan.**

Children:

	i	Len Wolfenden.	
	ii	Maurice Wolfenden.	
	iii	Ron Wolfenden.	
	iv	Stanley Wolfenden b.	00-00-1916, Sydney.

19. **Albert Victoria Wolfenden** b.1886, Nundel, m. **Nellie Wetheral.**

Children:

	i	Thomas Wolfenden.
	ii	May Wolfenden.
	iii	Hazel Wolfenden.
	iv	Herbert Wolfenden.
	v	Tess Wolfenden.

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20. **Robert Leslie Wolfenden** b. 1890, m. **Ann Snashall.** Robert died 1938.

Children:

	i	Robert Colin Wolfenden.
	ii	Ronald Wolfenden.
	iii	Merle Wolfenden.

21. **Arthur William Wolfenden** b. 1896, m. **Kate**. Arthur died 1964.

Children:

	i	Alan William Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1940.	
	ii	William Arthur Wolfenden.		
	iii	Grace Wolfenden	m.	**Gough.**
	iv	Bessie Wolfenden.		
	v	Richard Wolfenden.		

22. **Evan Campbell Wolfenden** b. 1898, m. **May Woodlock**. Evan died 1970.

Children:

	i	Jane Wolfenden.			
	ii	Heather Joy Wolfenden.			
49.	iii	Rodney Campbell.			
50.	iv	Keith Kelvin.			

23. **Albert Leonard Wolfenden** b. 1902, m. **May Farquhar**. Albert died 1968.

Children:

	i	Bessie Joyce Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1928,	m.	**James Bennett.**
	ii	Leonard Alan Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1930,		d. 1948.
	iii	Valerie Joyce Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1933,	m.	**Douglas Hughes**.
51.	iv	James Albert	b. 00-00-1940.		

24. **Leonard Wolfenden** b. 1905 , d. 1946.

Children:

	i	Brian Victor Wolfenden.

25. **George Alfred Wolfenden** b. 1891, Rockdale, m. **Mary Mear,** b. 1901, d. 1986. George died 1971.

Children:

52.	i	Evan Clyde	b. 00-00-1924.
53.	ii	Dorothy Jean	b. 00-00-1926.
	iii	George Ross	b. 00-00-1928.

26. **William Leonard Wolfenden** b. 1893, Rockdale, m. **Alice Ruth Wilcock,** b. 1891, d. 1981. William died 1969.

Children:

55.	i	Joy	b. 00-00-1924.
56.	ii	Alan	b. 00-00-1927.

27. **Ernest Leslie Wolfenden** b. 1895, m. 1922, in Liverpool, **Irene Kathleen Ramage.** Ernest died 1938, Rockdale.

Children:

57.	i	Ken	b. 00-00-1922.		
58.	ii	Don	b. 00-00-1924.		
59.	iii	Rae	b. 00-00-1926.		
	iv	Jack Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1928,	m	**. Jill.**

28. **Edward Arthur Wolfenden** b. 1897, Rockdale, m. **Beryl Marjorie Rose**, b. 1901, d. 1982. Edward died 1967.

Children:

60.	i	Arthur Douglas	b. 00-00-1924.
61.	ii	Edmund Murray Warwick	b. 00-00-1925.
62.	iii	Sidney	b. 00-00-1928.

29. **Sidney Harold Wolfenden** b. 1899, Rockdale, m. **Elsie Mear**, b. 1900, d. 1982. Sidney died 1962.

Children:

63.	i	Joan Gloria	b. 00-00-1922.
64.	ii	Harold (Peter)	b. 00-00-1925.
65.	iii	Betty	b.00-00-1928.
66.	iv	Colin	b. 00-00-1937.

30. **Olive May Wolfenden** b. 1904, Rockdale, m. 1926, in Canterbury, **Cecil Chamberlain Wilcock,** b.1902,d. 1969. Olive d 53.

Children:

67.	i	June	b. 00-00-1927.
	ii	Ronald Wilcock	b. 00-00-1929, m. (1) **Cecilie Taylor**, m. (2) **Kath Tighe**. Ronald died 1986.
68.	iii	Ruth	b. 00-00-1936.

31. **Amy Constance Wolfenden** b. 1906, Rockdale, m. **Carl Theodore Rissman,** b. 1910, d. 1986. Amy died 1986.

Children:

69.	i	Amy Marcia Yvonne	b. 00-00-1936.

32. **Winifred Alice Wolfenden** b. 28-04-1898, Sofala, m. 1917, in Lithgow, **Harold Windiate,** b. 1893, London, d. 1970, Charters Towers Q. Win died 28-07-1977, Engadine. Harold: Came to Aust. 1912 walked to Lithgow to work at Small Arms Factory.

Children:

70.	i	Mervyn	b. 00-00-1917
71.	ii	Lorelle Lillian	b. 16-12-1921.
72.	iii	Delma	b. 00-00-1925.
73.	iv	Harold	b. 00-00-1927.

33. **Constance Lillian Wolfenden** b. 1899, Sofala m. (1) 1919, in Lithgow, **Norman Eddy**, m. (2) Cecil Bosworth. Constance died 15-01-1963, Petersham.

Children by Norman Eddy:

74.	i	Norma Joan	b.00-00-l9l9.

34. **Archibald Walter Wolfenden** b. 23-04-1903, Lithgow, m. (1) **Elizabeth F Smith**, b. 1927, Lithgow, m. (2) **Eadi Smith.**
Archibald died 09-12-1968, Lithgow.

Children by Elizabeth F Smith:

i Jean Wolfenden.
ii Valerie Wolfenden.
iii Edward George Wolfenden.
iv John Wolfenden.

Children by Eadi Smith:

v Fay Smith m. **Thomas Campbell.**

35. **Alan Claude Wolfenden** b. 04-07-1905, Sofala, m. 1926, in Lithgow, **Rita M Hodder**, b. 1904, d. 12-05-1998, Murwillumbah. Alan died 29-07-1980, Lithgow.

Children:

75. i Laurice Roya.
ii Alan Wolfenden.

36. **Dorothy Verna Wolfenden** b. 24-01-1911, Sofala, m. 1931, in Lithgow, **Kenneth Bede Winter.**
Dorothy died 04-08-1975,Woolongong.

Children:

i Patricia Winter.
ii David Winter.

37. **Edward George Wolfenden** b. 26-01-1913, Lithgow, m. 16-12-1935, in Lithgow, **Grace Irene Gibbons**, b. 28-04-1918, Lithgow, d. 15-09-2000, Lithgow. Edward died 24-04-1983, Lithgow. Grace: Father Robert , mother Gladys Ibbett

Children:

76.	i	Stanley Edwin	b. 00-00-1936.	
77.	ii	Donald Leslie	b. 22-12-1937.	
78.	iii	Kenneth Ray	b. 12-03-1938.	
	iv	Arlene Gay Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1944, Lithgow,	d. 1944, Lithgow.
79.	v	Barry Dale	b. 07-03-1945.	
80.	vi	Lynne Narelle	b. 20-04-1948.	
81.	vii	Kevin Edward	b. 28-08-1952.	
82.	viii	Sharon Gladys	b. 29-01-1957.	

38. **Thelma G Wannick** b. 1906, Woollahra, m. 1926, in Ashfield, **Noel Sly,** b. 1905.

Children:

i Joan Sly.
ii Patricia Sly.
iii Max Sly.

39. **Martha M Dick** b. 1891, Quirindi, m. 1913, in Tingha, **William T MacArdle.**

Children:

i	Mary D MacArdle	b. 00-00-1914, Tingha.	
ii	Samuel A MacArdle	b. 00-00-1916, Tingha.	
iii	Gladys I MacArdle	b. 00-00-1918, Tingha.	

40. **Arthur Clive Odgers** b. 27-07-1905, Nundel, m. 16-05-193 1, in St Andrews Lismore, **Mavis Elizabeth Woodley.**
Arthur died 28-09-1964, Sydney. Mavis: Father Joseph mother Ada Seabrook

Children:

i Ian Odgers.
ii Roy Odgers.
iii Brian Odgers d. 1936, Lismore.

41. **Ernest Roy Wolfenden** b. 26-07-1914, Glen Innes, m. 10-05-1947, in Glen Alpin Q, **Mary Florence Collins.**
Ernest died 23-08-1966.

Children:

83.	i	Peter	b. 22-05-1948.
84.	ii	Bruce	b. 21-11 -l950.
	iii	Janice Wolfenden	b. 12-09-1952.
	iv	Diane Wolfenden	b. 20-09-1957, Stanthorpe Q, m. (1) 03-06-1978, in Brisbane, **William Charles Ireland,** m. (2) 01-12-1984, **David Gillett.**

42. **Martha Joyce Wolfenden** b. 19-07-1916, Nundel, m. 26-1 1-1938, **Roy Gustav Collison.**

Children:

85.	i	Robin Gustav	b. 16-01-1940.
86.	ii	Ivy Ann	b. 02-04-1943.
	iii	James Sydney Collison	b. 18-08-1948, Scone, d. 15-03-1968, Scone, buried: 16-03-1968, Scone.

43. **Constance Catherine Wolfenden** b. 02-06-19 18, Nundel, m. 04-09-1937, in Tamworth, **William Ledger Rowland.**

Children:

87.	i	JudithAnne	b. 19-07-1938.
88.	ii	Gillian	b. 23-12-1940.
89.	iii	David William	b. 07-11-1942.
90.	iv	Peter John	b. 08-04-1944.
91.	v	SusanMargaret	b. 30-03-1946.

44. **John William Wolfenden** b. 09-10-1921, Nundel, m. **Lexie Rosena.**

Children:

92. i Heather.
ii Elaine Wolfenden.
iii Helen Wolfenden.
iv Brian Wolfenden.
v Ian Wolfenden.
93. vi Roy.
vii Earl Wolfenden.
viii Noel Wolfenden.
ix Ivy Elizabeth Wolfenden.

45. **Gloria Jane Wolfenden** b. 13-06-1924, Nundel , m. **William Thomas Bryson.**

Children:

i Janet Bryson.
ii Robert Bryson.
iii Ronald Bryson.
iv Gail Bryson.

46. **Patricia Dawn Wolfenden** b. 25-08-1926, Tamworth, m. **Reginald Lisle Ralston.**

Children:

i Ian Reginald Ralston b. 14-10-1950, Scone.
94. ii Raymond Lisle Ralston b. 30-06-1952.
95. iii Wayne Bruce Ralston b. 10-04-1955.

47. **Ian T Wolfenden** b. 00-00 1917

Children:

i Ross Wolfenden.

48. **Keith Roy Wolfenden** b. 1918, Tingra, m. **Marjorie Harris.**

Children:

i Kevin Wolfenden.

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49. **Rodney Campbell Wolfenden.**

Children:

i Craig Campbell Wolfenden.
ii Grant David Wolfenden.
iii Mark Rodney Wolfenden.
iv Michael Alan Wolfenden.
v Charlotte Wolfenden.
vi Karen Ann Wolfenden.

50. **Keith Kelvin Wolfenden**.

Children:

i Geoffery Wolfenden.
ii Brett Wolfenden.
iii Jennifer Wolfenden.
iv Susan Wolfenden.

51. **James Albert Wolfenden** b. 1940, m. **Margaret**

Children:

i Alan David Wolfenden b. 00-00-1962.
ii Karen Margaret Wolfenden b. 00-00-1964.
iii Pamela Ann Wolfenden b. 00-00-1966.
iv Alena Kay Wolfenden b. 00-00-1968.

52. **Evan Clyde Wolfenden** b. 1924, m. **Gladys Wilhemina Grundon**, b. 1926.

Children:

96. i Lorraine Kay b. 00-00-1947.
ii Kenneth John b. 00-00-1948.
98. iii Trevor Clyde b. 00-00-1953.
iv Glen Alfred Wolfenden b. 00-00-1957.

53. **Dorothy Jean Wolfenden** b. 1926, m. **Edwin Ruben Charles Thurlby**, b. 1918, d. 1988.

Children.

i Alan Richard b. 00-00-1948.
100. ii Marilyn Jean b. 00-00-1950.
101. iii Robert Edwin b. 00-00-1952.
102. iv Vivienne Lesley b. 00-00-1955.
103. v Christopher James b. 00-00-1959.
104. vi Beverley Rae b. 00-00-1960.

54. **George Ross Wolfenden** b. 1928, m. **Beryl Grierson Maria Kemp,** b.1927.
Children:

105.	i	KevinRoss	b.00-00-1953.	
	ii	Anne Beryl Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1955,	m. **Owen Francis Vickers,** b. 1944.
106.	iii	Estelle Maria	b. 00-00-1958.	
107.	iv	Bruce Raymond	b. 00-00-1964.	

55. **Joy Wolfenden** b. 1924, m. **John Woodward**, b. 1926.
Children:

108.	i	Nereli Joy	b. 00-00-1955.
109.	ii	Paul John	b. 00-00-1957.

56. **Alan Wolfenden** b. 1927, m. **Doris Toomey**, b. 1928.
Children:

	i	Anne Margaret Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1951.	
110.	ii	Stephen	b. 00-00-1952.	
111.	iii	Peter	b. 00-00-1955.	
112.	iv	Gary	b. 00-00-1959.,	d. 1984.

57. **Ken Wolfenden** b. 1922, m. **Madge Rosette Davies**, b. 1922.
Children:

113.	i	Pamela Joy	b. 00-00-1945.
114.	ii	RobynMay	b. 00-00-1947.
115.	iii	GrahamJohn	b 00-00-1953.

58. **Don Wolfenden** b. 1924, m. **Maureen.** Don died 1985.
Children:

	i	Anthony Wolfenden.
	ii	Aime Wolfenden.

59. **Rae Wolfenden** b. 1926, m. **Peter Franz Waclaw,** b. 1916.
Children:

	i	Susan Rae Waclaw	b. 00-00-1947,	d. 1996.
	ii	Janice Louise Waclaw	b. 00-00-1948.	

60. **Arthur Douglas Wolfenden** b. 1924, m. **Ruby Lila Rissman**, b. 1918, d. 1998.
Children:

116.	i	Jennifer Diaime	b. 00-00-1950.

61. **Edmund Murray Warwick Wolfenden** b. 1925,m. **Vonda Margaret Yarnold,** b. 1931, d. 1991.Edmund died 1992.
Children:

117.	i	Kerry Glennis	b. 00-00-1951.
118.	ii	Neil Ashley	b. 00-00-1954.
119.	iii	Michelle Marie	b. 00-00-1957.
120. ~	iv	Alenna Leanne	b. 00-00-1961.

62. **Sidney Wolfenden** b. 1928, m. **Mavis Isobel Hall,** b.1931.
Children:

121.	i	RobynAnn	b 00-00-1953.
122.	ii	Lynda Dell	b. 00-00-1954.
123.	iii	Trevor John	b. 00-00-1956.
	iv	James Edward Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1967.

63. **Joan Gloria Wolfenden** b. 1922, m. **John Stanley Reibelt**, b.1918.
Children:

124.	i	Trevor John	b. 00-00-1944.	
125.	ii	Lurline Marcia	b. 00-00-1946.	
126.	iii	Gregory Paul	b. 00-00-1950.	
127.	iv	Dennis Rodney	b. 00-00-1952.	
	v	Janette Susan Reibelt	b. 00-00-1953,	d. 1955.
128.	vi	Robyn Pamela	b. 00-00-1956.	
129.	vii	Brian David	b. 00-00-1956.	
130.	viii	Peter Michael	b. 00-00-1961.	

64. **Harold (Peter) Wolfenden** b. 1925, m. (1) **Sylvia Knight**, m. (2) **Norma Graham.**
Children by Sylvia Knight:

	i	Katrina Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1966.

Children by Norma Graham:

	ii	Gary Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1946,	m**. Amelia.**
131.	iii	Denise	b. 00-00-1950.	
	iv	Malcolm Peter Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1954,	d. 1990.
	v	Janelle Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1958.	
132.	vi	Barbara	b. 00-00-1962.	
	vii	Terri-Lyn Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1966.	

65. **Betty Wolfenden** b. 1928, m. **David Chapman**, b. 1925.
Children:

133.	i	Kevin David	b. 00-00-1951.
	ii	Alan Leslie Chapman	b. 00-00-1953.
134.	iii	Linda Valerie	b. 00-00-1955.
135.	iv	Susan Carol	b. 00-00-1957.

66. **Colin Wolfenden** b. 1937, m. **Josephine Eunice Wedel**, b. 1938.
Children:

136.	i	Rodney Neil	b. 00-00-1958.	
	ii	Sheryl Lyn Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1960,	m. **Gary Dash.**
	iii	Colleen Gayle Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1962.	

67. **June Wilcock** b. 1927, m. **Harold Robert Ambrose**, b. 1923. June died 1995.
Children:

137.	i	Robert Lisle	b. 00-00-1947.
138.	ii	Gregory Raymond	b. 00-00-1949.
139.	iii	Noeline June	b. 00-00-1950.

68. **Ruth Wilcock** b. 1936, m. (1) **Wallace Darcy Sharpe**, m. (2) **Martin Jurge Aithaus**, b. 1932. Ruth died 1995.
Children by Wallace Darcy Sharpe:

	i	Robyne Sharpe.
	ii	Adriaime Sharpe.

69. **Amy Marcia Yvonne Rissman** b. 1936, m. **Henry William Mc Nulty**, b. 1932, d. 1991.
Children:

140.	i	Paul Stephen	b. 00-00-1963.
	ii	Dayle Bronwyn Mc Nulty	b. 00-00-1965.
	iii	Kylie Marcia Mc Nulty	b. 00-00-1967.

70. **Mervyn Windiate** b. 1917, m**.** **Margaret Vivienne Hadfield**, b. 1920.
Children:

141.	i	Vivienne Margaret	b. 00-00-1943.
142.	ii	Lester Mervyn	b. 00-00-1946.

71. **Lorelle Lillian Windiate** b. 16-12-1921, m. **Robert Francis Lowerson**, b. 1922, d. 1969.
Children:

	i	Robin Lowerson	b. 00-00-1947, m. 1982,	**Frederick Ross Blanton.**
143.	ii	Michael Francis	b. 00-00-1952.	

72. **Delma Windiate** b. 1925, m. (1) **Noel Jackson,** m. (2) **Lambertus Van Koningsveld**, b. 1924, d.1972, m. (3) **Colin Mc Allum,** b. 1926.
Children by Noel Jackson.

	i	Noel Jackson Jr	b. 00-00-1944.

73. **Harold Windiate** b. 00-00-1927, m. **Hazel Arnold,** b. 1931.
Children:

144.	i	Carolyn Maree	b. 00-00-1957.
145.	ii	Andrew John	b. 00-00-1962.

74. **Norma Joan Eddy** b. 19 19, m. **Ken Murray.** Norma died 1996.
Children:

	i	Geoffery Murray	b. 00-00-1943,	d. 1994.
	ii	Jennifer Murray	b. 00-00-1945.	

75. **Laurice Roya Wolfenden** m. **Robert Watson.**
Children:

	i	Laurie E (Wolfenden) Watson.

76. **Stanley Edwin Wolfenden** b. 1936, m. (1) **Joan McCann,** m. (2) 1957, **Kaye Frances Sharwood**. Stanley died 07-03-1987.
Children by Kaye Frances Sharwood:

	i	Darrel Stanley Wolfenden	b. Camden.
	ii	Ricky Francis Wolfenden.	
	iii	Elwin Wolfenden.	
	iv	Kym Robyn Wolfenden.	
	v	Wayne Kenneth Wolfenden.	
	vi	Glen Edward Wolfenden.	

77. **Donald Leslie Wolfenden** b. 22-12-1937, m. 24-09-1960, **Patricia Jane Gill.**
Children:

	i	Brian Leslie Wolfenden	b. 08-12-1964,	d. 09-12-1964.
146.	ii	Donald Roy	b. 17-11-1965.	
147.	iii	Carol Lee	b. 01-09-1968.	
	iv	Learme Patricia Wolfenden	b. 13-06-1972, m.	**Brett Anthony Roach**.
	v	Gary John Wolfenden	b. 24-06-1975.	

78. **Kenneth Ray Wolfenden** b. 12-03-1938, m. 1966, **Darleen Gloria Fabar**. Kenneth died 23-08-1977.

Children:

i Clare Wolfenden.
ii Evelyn Maree Wolfenden.
iii Stanley Mark Wolfenden.

79. **Barry Dale Wolfenden** b. 07-03-1945, m. 18-10-1963, **Margaret Anne Mitchell.**

Children:

i Joanne Wolfenden.
ii Arlene Wolfenden.
iii Kylie Wolfenden.

80. **Lynne Narelle Wolfenden** b. 20-04-1948, Lithgow, m. **Brian Linsay Cox.**

Children:

i Wayne Linsay Cox.
ii Coralee Gaye Cox.
iii Debbie Nickole Cox.

81. **Kevin Edward Wolfenden** b. 28-08-1952, m. (1) **Christine Sian Stephens**, b. 12-05-1956, m. (2) , 29-04-1972. , **Kerry Ena Hunter**

Children by Christine Sian Stephens:

i Arron Edward Wolfenden b. 06-06-1963.

Children by Keriy Ena Hunter:

ii Peta Lee Wolfenden b. 05-07-1972.
iii Mark Allan Wolfenden b. 0 1-07-1977.

82. **Sharon Gladys Wolfenden** b. 29-01-1957, m. 08-05-1982, in Lithgow**, Allan Michael O'Neill.**

Children:

i Charmajne Lee O'Neill b. 25-08-1983.
ii Lyndene Sherie O'Neill b. 27-10-1985.
iii Julie Lee-Anne O'Neill b. 08-09-1991.
iv Kenneth Glen O'Neill b. 20-09-1993.

83. **Peter Wolfenden** b. 22-05-1948, Stanthorpe Q, m. 07-09-1973, in Brisbane, **Carolyn Ballard. Carolyn**: Father Walter mother Gladys Muston

Children:

i Shannon Karherine Wolfenden b. 19-09-1974, Midland WA.
ii Natalie Renae Wolfenden b. 30-12-1976, Midland WA.

84. **Bruce Wolfenden** b. 21-11-1950, Stanthorpe Q, m. **Lynette Sherrif.**

Children:

i Tracey Anne Wolfenden b. 21-07-1971, Brisbane Q.
ii Shelly Kay Wolfenden b. 06-01-1974, Brisbane Q.
iii Rebecca Kim Wolfenden b. 03-03-1978, Brisbane Q.

85. **Robin Gustav Collison** b. 16-01-1940, Scone, m. 15-08-1964, **Kay Lynett Albert.**

Children:

i Jodie Maree Collison.
ii Stephen Collison.

86. **Ivy Ann Collison** b. 02-04-1943, Scone, m. 06-04-1968, **Noel Bailey**.

Children:

i Katherine Bailey b. 04-10-1969, Ipswich Q.
ii David Bailey b. 29-06-1972, Newcastle.

87. **Judith Anne Rowland** b. 19-07-1938, Scone, m. 01-01-1960, **Kevin Skey**.

Children:

i Kerrie Ann Skey b. 12-04-1961, Tamworth.
ii Jane Elizabeth Skey b. 03-05-1963, Tamworth.
iii Diane Gillian Skey b. 23-07-1966, Tamworth.

88. **Gillian Rowland** b. 23-12-1940, Scone, m.

Children:

i Murray James Keith b. 23-08-1968, N Z.
ii Brian Richard Keith b. 08-02-1970, N Z.
iii Malcolm William Keith b. 14-10-1971, N Z.
iv Alison Jane Keith b. 18-03-1974, N Z.

89. **David William Rowland** b. 07-11-1942, Scone, m. 27-02-1965, in St Patricks Tamworth, **Margaret Elizabeth Ball**.

Children:

i Michael David Rowland b. 23-01-1966, Gosford.
ii Margaret Marie Rowland b. 04-04-1967, Tamworth.
iii Patricia Ann Rowland b. 17-07-1968, Tamworth.
iv Geoffery William Rowland b. 29-10-1973, Tamworth.

90.~Peter John Rowland b. 08-04-1944, Scone, m. 17-04-1965, **Sue Jariette Mcllveen.**
Children:

	i	Barry John Rowland	b. 08-02-1967, Tamworth.
	ii	David James Rowland	b. 14-08-1968, Tamworth.

91. Susan Margaret Rowland b. 30-03-1946, Scone, m. 01-10-1966, **Robert Bruce Nelson**.
Children:

	i	Lisa Catherine Nelson	b. 28-07-1970, Tamworth.
	ii	Paula Jane Nelson	b. 25-07-1972, Tamworth.

92. Heather Wolfenden m. **Spencer**.
Children:

	i	Sean Spencer.

93. Roy Wolfenden.
Children:
i Shannon Wolfenden.

94. Raymond Lisle Ralston b. 30-06-1952, Scone, m. 09-11-1974, **Vicki Lorraine Grainger.**
Children:

	i	Venessa Ralston	b. 01-03-1976.
	ii	Kylie Lorraine Ralston	b. 07-08-1978.
	iii	Andrew Lisle Ralston	b. 07-08-1980.
	iv	Allison Vicki Ralston	b. 24-02-1983.

95. **Wayne Bruce Ralston** b. 10-04-1955, Scone, m. **Robyn Leslie Gilmore**.
Children:

	i	Bradley Ralston	b. 17-07-1978.
	ii	Kelly Ralston	b. 03-04-1980.

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96. **Lorraine Kay Wolfenden** b. 1947, m. **Dennis Wall**, b. 1948.
Children:

	i	Karen Maree Wall	b. 00-00-1973,	m. **Stephen Wan.**
	ii	Matthew Douglas Wall	b. 00-00-1977.	

97. Kenneth John Wolfenden b. 1948, m. (1) **Rhonda Fay Braden**, b.-1947, m. (2) **Jeanette Margaret.**
Children by Rhonda Fay Braden:

	i	Dean Kenneth Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1968,	m. **Debra Susan Napier**,	b. 1962.
148.	ii	Tanya Faye	b. 00-00-1969.		
	iii	Rickt Simon Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1975.		
	iv	Rian Glen Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1981.		

98. **Trevor Clyde Wolfenden** b. 1953, m. **Neeltje Den Otter**, b. 1954.
Children:

149.	i	Denise Nelly	b. 00-00-1972.	
	ii	Dale Bradley Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1977.	

99. Alan Richard Thurlby b. 1948, m. **Ruth Elizabeth Oakman**, b. 195 1.
Children:

	i	Jason Mark Thurlby	b. 00-00-1977.	M 1967, **Richard James Keith**.

100. Marilyn Jean Thuriby b. 1950, m. **lan Graham (Peter) Sinclair**, b. 1948.
Children:

150.	i	SonyaMarilyn	b. 00-00-1971.
151.	ii	Susan Mary-Jean	b. 00-00-1975.
	iii	Simone Martine Sinclair	b. 00-00-1978.
	iv	Peter John Sinclair	b. 00-00-1980.
	v	Travis Conrad Sinclair	b. 00-00-1984.

101. Robert Edwin Thurlby b. 1952, m. **Janelle Sue Connor.**
Children:

	i	Matthew Phillip Thurlby	b. 00-00-1991.
	ii	Lachian Thomas Thuriby	b. 00-00-1998.

102. Vivienne Lesley Thurlby b. 1955, m. **Glen Donald Freestone**, b. 1952.
Children:

	i	Nicole Jane Freestone	b. 00-00-1981.
	ii	Ryan Paul Freestone	b. 00-00-1983.
	iii	Simon Lindsay Freestone	b. 00-00-1983.

103. **Christopher James Thurlby** b. 1959, m. **Donna Williams.**
Children
I Gavin Edwin Thurlby b. 00-00-1988.
ii Dallas Kieren Jack Thurlby b. 00-00-1994.

104. Beverley Rae Thurlby b. 1960, m. **Allan Marshall**.
Children:
i Jennifer Rae Marshall b. 00-00-1984.
ii Joseph Allan Marshall b. 00-00-1986.
iii Catherine Elizabeth Marshall b. 00-00-1989.

105. **Kevin Ross Wolfenden** b. 1953, m. **Karen Lee Davis**, b. 1955.
Children:
i Stephen Ross Wolfenden b. 00-00-1982.
ii Craig Graham Wolfenden b. 00-00-1985.
iii Elizabeth Ann Wolfenden b. 00-00-1989.

106. **Estelle Maria Wolfenden** b. 1958, m. **David Joseph Cuffe**, b.-1957.
Children:
i Timothy Joseph Cuffe b. 00-00-1998.

107. **Bruce Raymond Wolfenden** b. 1964, m. **Therese Maree Woolley**, b. 1966.
Children:
i Jessika Monique Wolfenden b. 00-00-1989.
ii Carl Joseph Wolfenden b. 00-00 1997.

108. **Nereli Joy Woodward** b. 1955, m. Gregory William Beard, b. 1956.
Children:
i Darin Matthew Beard b. 00-00-1978.
ii Scott William Beard b. 00-00-1982.

109. **Paul John Woodward** b. 1957, m. (1) **Karen Hill,** b. 1956, m. (2) **Kerrie Patterson.**
Children by Karen Hill:
152. i Jodie Maree b. 00-00-1974.
ii Jayde William Woodward b. 00-00-1976.

110. **Stephen Wolfenden** b. 1952, m. **Rosemary Packman,** b. 1955.
Children:
i Gregory Wolfenden b. 00-00-1979.
ii Colin Wolfenden b. 00-00-1981.
iii Leanne Wolfenden b. 00-00-1983.

111. **Peter Wolfenden** b. 1955, m. **Beverley Plunkett**.
Children:
i Melony Wolfenden.
ii Jesse Wolfenden b. 00-00-1982.
iii Daniel Wolfenden b. 00-00-1984.

112. **Gary Wolfenden** b. 1959, m. **Mary.**
Children:
i Zac Wolfenden.

113. **Pamela Joy Wolfenden** b. 1945, m. **John Ashier Lockwood**, b. 1939.
Children:
i Peter John Lockwood b. 00-00-1969.
ii Ingrid Joy Lockwood b. 00-00-1970.

114. **Robyn May Wolfenden** b. 1947, m. **Richard Francis Gumbley**.
Children:
i Michael Kenneth Gumbley b. 00-00-1974.
ii Georgina Louise Gumbley b. 00-00-1976.
iii Alexandra Robyn Gumbley b. 00-00-1978.

115. **Graham John Wolfenden** b. 1953, m. **Arme Le Marseney.**
Children:
i Jason John Wolfenden b. 00-00-1972, d. 1994.
ii Tammy Ann Wolfenden b. 00-00-1974.

116. **Jennifer Dianne Wolfenden** b. 1950, m. **Hugh Hamilton Fisher**.
Children:
i Natlie Fisher.
ii Clayton Hamilton Fisher.
iii Dustin Fisher.

117. **Kerry Glennis Wolfenden** b. 1951, m. **Colin James Matthews**.
Children:

i Stephen Anthony Matthews.
ii Sueanne Michelle Matthews.
iii Aminta Kimna Matthews.
iv Sacha Beau Matthews.

118. **Neil Ashley Wolfenden** b. 1954, m. **Krystina Isabell Bolger,** b. 1957.
Children:

i Tryel Lee Wolfenden b. 00-00-1978.
ii Lauren Tate Wolfenden b. 00-00-1982.
iii Fallon Amber Wolfenden b. 00-00-1984.
iv Dallas Ashley Wolfenden b. 00-00-1987.

119. **Michelle Marie Wolfenden** b. 1957, m. **Rodney William Smith.**
Children:

i Tamsyn Louise Smith b. 00-00-1977.
ii Sarah Jane Smith b. 00-00-1980.
iii Jody Lee Smith b. 00-00-1985.
iv Derek William Smith b. 00-00-1988.

120. **Alenna Leanne Wolfenden** b. 1961, m. **Christopher James Vellacott**, b. 1968.
Children:

i Baydon James Thomas Veliacott b. 00-00-1993.

121. **Robyn Ann Wolfenden** b. 1953, m. **Jack Thomas Cormack,** b. 1949.
Children:

i Penny Ann Cormack b. 00-00-1975.
ii Donna Lynn Cormack b. 00-00-1976.

122. **Lynda Dell Wolfenden** b. 1954, m. **John lvor Baird**, b. 1955.
Children:

i Andrew John Baird b. 00-00-1982.
ii Timothy Mark Baird b. 00-00-1984.

123. **Trevor John Wolfenden** b. 1956, m. **Laura Mena Oswin**, b. 1957.
Children:

i Andela Maree Wolfenden b. 00-00-1980.
ii Jodie Ann Wolfenden
iii Danny John Wolfenden b. 00-00-1985.

124. **Trevor John Reibelt** b. 1944, m. **Pauline Richards,** b. 1944.
Children:

i Kim Reibelt b. 00-00-1969.
153. ii Donna b.00-00-1970.

125. **Lurline Marcia Reibelt** b. 1946, m. **Neil J Carter,** b. 1944.
Children:

154. i Sonya b. 00-00-1967.
ii Shandell Carter b. 00-00-1970.

126. **Gregory Paul Reibelt** b. 1950, m. **Anne Marie Ward**, b. 1949.
Children:

i Katie Reibelt b. 00-00-1975.
ii Anita Reibelt b. 00-00-1977.
iii Michelle Reibelt b. 00-00-1979.
iv Lisa Reibelt b. 00-00-1981, d. 1994.

127. **Dennis Rodney Reibelt** b. 1952, m. **Judi Morris,** b. 1953.
Children:

i Donna Reibelt b. 00-00-1973.
ii Catherine Reibelt b. 00-00-1980.
iii Adam Reibelt b. 00-00-1982.

128. **Robyn Pamela Reibelt** b. 1956, m. **Allen Dalsanto,** b. 195 1.
Children:

i Darren Dalsanto b. 00-00-1978.
ii Wade Dalsanto b. 00-00-1980.

129. **Brian David Reibelt** b. 1956, m. **Shirley Shallcross,** b. 1956.
Children:

i Daniel Reibelt b. 00-00-1978.
ii Kristie-Leigh Reibelt b. 00-00-1980.

130. **Peter Michael Reibelt** b. 1961, m. **Barbara**.
Children:
i Michaela Renee Reibelt b. 00-00-1995.
ii Brittney Ann Reibelt b. 00-00-1998.

131. **Denise Wolfenden** b. 1950, m. **Thomas Draper.**
Children:
i Kerry Draper b. 00-00-1970.
ii Sharyn Draper b. 00-00-1972.
iii Shaun Draper b. 00-00-1977.
iv Megan Draper b. 00-00-1979.

132. **Barbara Wolfenden** b. 1962, m. **Barry Hawes.**
Children:
i AaronHawes b. 00-00-1975.
ii Jodi Hawes b. 00-00-1978.
iii Keiran Hawes b. 00-00-1986.
iv Gemma Hawes b. 00-00-1987.

133. **Kevin David Chapman** b. 1951, m. **Laree Bamewall.**
Children:
i Alexander Chapman.
ii Emma Claire Chapman b. 00-00-1990.

134. **Linda Valerie Chapman** b. 1955, m. **Richard Walton**.
Children:
i Jessica Louise Walton b. 00-00-1989.
ii Rebecca Walton b. 00-00-1991.

135. **Susan Carol Chapman** b. 1957, m. **Frank Stone,** b.1953.
Children:
i Catherine Michelle Stone b. 00-00-1989,
ii Melissa Anne Stone b. 00-00-1990.

136. **Rodney Neil Wolfenden** b. 1958, m. **Robyn Joy Hunter**, b. 1957.
Children:
i Brodie James Wolfenden b. 00-00-1989.
ii Tyler Brock Wolfenden b. 00-00-1991.

137. **Robert Lisle Ambrose** b. 1947, m. **Faye Lorraine Jones,** b. 1953.
Children:
i Dean Robert Ambrose b. 00-00-1987.
ii Stephen James Ambrose b. 00-00-1989.

138. **Gregory Raymond Ambrose** b. 1949, m. **Denise Anne Spencer,** b. 1949.
Children.'
i Wade Ambrose b. 00-00-1974.
ii Skye Ambrose b. 00-00-1977.

139. **Noeline June Ambrose** b. 1950, m. **Graham James Long**, b. 1948.
Children.'
155. i SharrynGaye b. 00-00-1970.
ii Adam James Long b. 00-00-1977.

140. **Paul Stephen Mc Nulty** b. 1963, m. **Ellana.**
Children:
i Jenna Mc Nulty b. 00-00-1985.
ii Carl James Mc Nulty b. 00-00-1988.

141. **Vivienne Margaret Windaite** b. 1943, m. **Dr George Parsons**, b. 1946. Dr: Prof. Modern Hist Mac Uni
Children:
i Evan Parsons b. 00-00-1969.
ii Alice Parsons b. 00-00-1970.
iii Elizabeth Rosamonde Parsons.
iv Cecily Parsons.

142. **Lester Mervyn Windiate** b. 1946, m. **Sue France Mitchell**.
Children:
i Jannese Margaret Windiate b. 00-00-1978.
ii Loree Anne Windiate b. 00-00-1980.

143. **Michael Francis Lowerson** b. 1952, m. 00-00-1983, **Carol Anne Smith.**
Children:
i Simon Michael Lowerson b. 00-00-1988.

144. **Carolyn Maree Windiate** b. 1957, m. **Phillip Charles Warner**, b. 1952.
Children:

i	Melinda Amy Warner	b. 00-00-1979.
ii	Rebecca Alice Warner	b. 00-00-1981.
iii	Annalise Maree Warner	b. 00-00-1983.
iv	Kathryn Joy Warner	b. 00-00-1985.

145. **Andrew John Windiate** b. 1962, m. **Jodie Lee Redmond**, b. 1964.
Children:

i	Skye Lee Rae Windiate	b. 00-00-1984.
ii	Jessica Anne Windiate	b. 00-00-1986.

146. **Donald Roy Wolfenden** b. 1965, m. **Penny Elizabeth Williamson.**
Children:

i	Hayley Tiara Wolfenden	b. 04-09-1990.
ii	Hannah Louise Wolfenden	b. 12-02-1994.

147. **Carol Lee Wolfenden** b. 01-09-1968, m. **Neil Charlton**.
Children:

i	Brabden Conner Charlton	b. 02-04-1998.

Ninth Generation

148. **Tanya Faye Wolfenden** b. 1969.
Children:

i	Kodi John Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1990.
ii	Tyler James Wolfenden	b. 00-00-1995.

149. **Denise Nelly Wolfenden** b. 1972, m. **Jason Lyons.**
Children:

i	Isabella Nelly Wolfenden - Lyons	b. 00-00-1977,	d. 1977.

150. **Sonya Marilyn Sinclair** b. 1971, m. **John Prior.**
Children:

i	Meg Elizabeth Prior	b. 00-00-1997.

151. **Susan Mary-Jean Sinclair** b. 1975, m. **Gavin Collins.**
Children:

i	Bridgette Louise Collins	b. 00-00-1992.
ii	Monica Alice Collins	b. 00-00-1997.

152. **Jodie Maree Woodward** b. 1974, m. **Shane Robinson**.
Children:

i	Zachary Shane Robinson	b. 00-00-1994.
ii	Keehar Jane Robinson	b. 00-00-1996.

153. **Donna Reibelt** b. 1970, m. **Phillip Van Der Niet.**
Children:

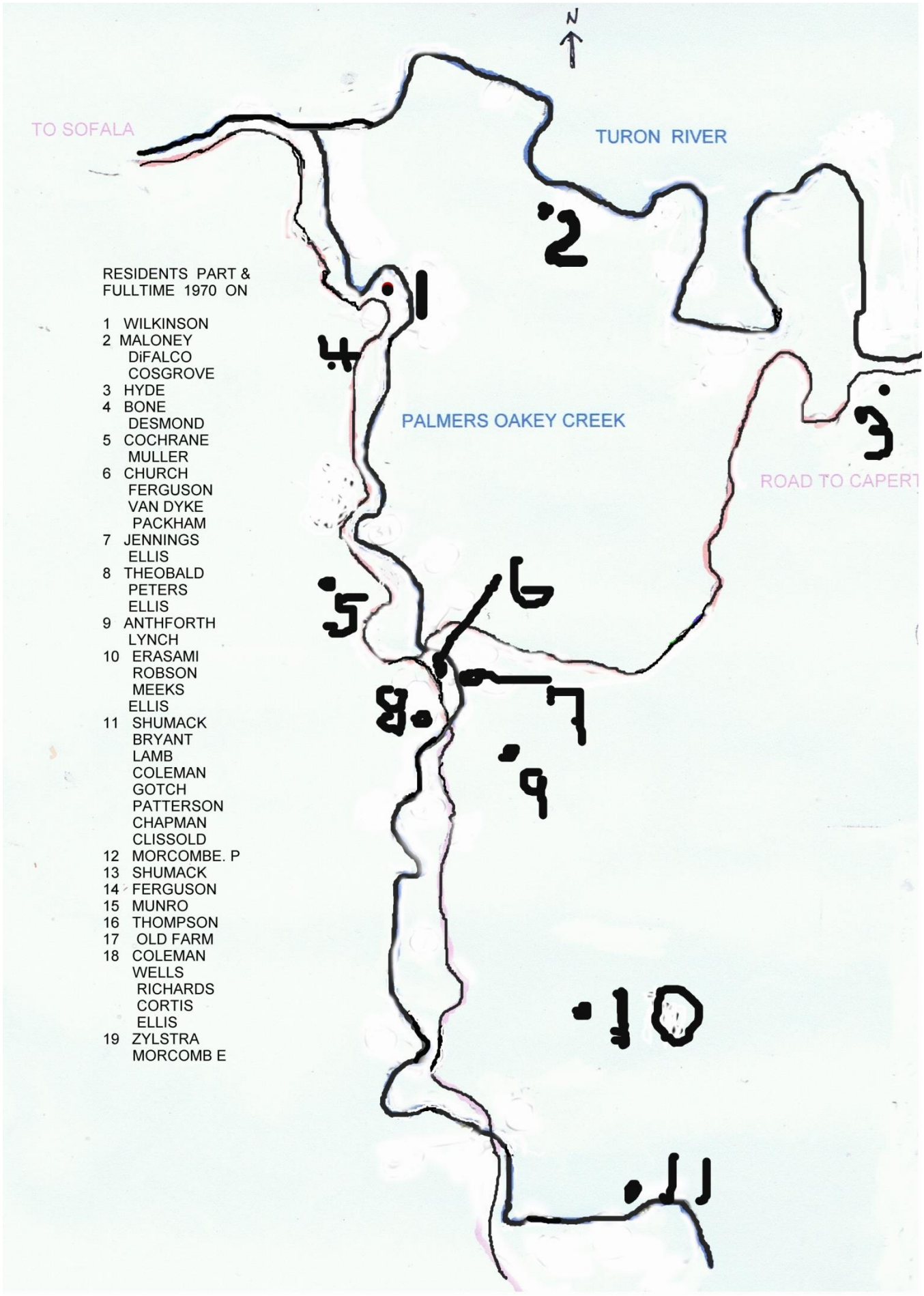
i	Brice Van Der Niet	b. 00-00-1994.
ii	Cameron Anton Van DerNiet	b. 00-00-1996.
iii	Kurtis Trevor Van Der Niet	b. 00-00-1996.

154. **Sonya Carter** b. 1967, m. **Joel Palmer,** b. 1963.
Children:

i	Haima Elyse Palmer	b. 00-00-1995.

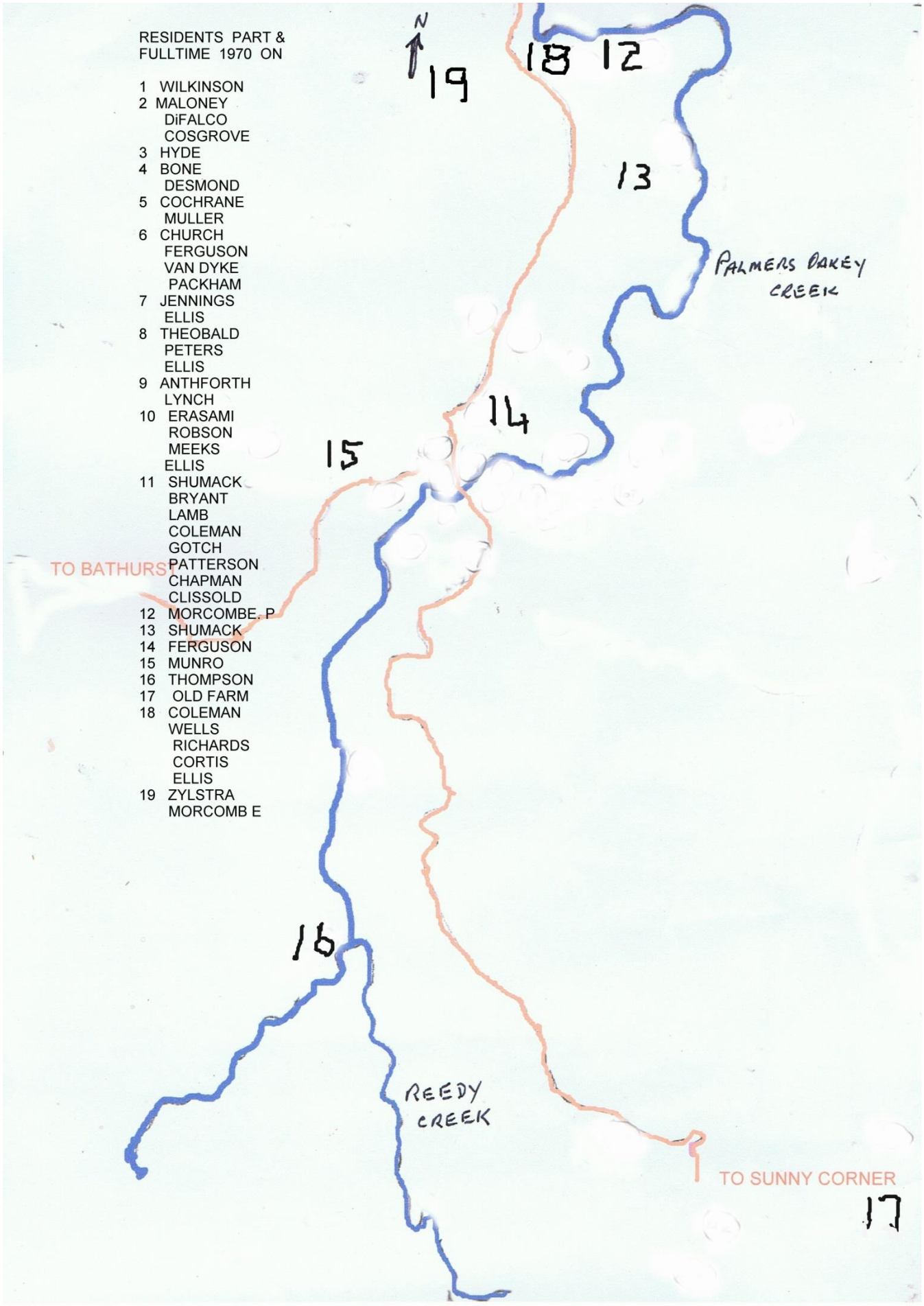
155. **Sharryn Gaye Long** b. 1970, m. **Brett Collins**.
Children:

i	Nathan Daniel Collins	b. 00-00-1989.
ii	Brendan Lee Collins	b. 00-00-1993.
iii	Dylan James Collins	b. 00-00-1996.



RESIDENTS PART & FULLTIME 1970 ON

1 WILKINSON
2 MALONEY
DiFALCO
COSGROVE
3 HYDE
4 BONE
DESMOND
5 COCHRANE
MULLER
6 CHURCH
FERGUSON
VAN DYKE
PACKHAM
7 JENNINGS
ELLIS
8 THEOBALD
PETERS
ELLIS
9 ANTHFORTH
LYNCH
10 ERASAMI
ROBSON
MEEKS
ELLIS
11 SHUMACK
BRYANT
LAMB
COLEMAN
GOTCH
PATTERSON
CHAPMAN
CLISSOLD
12 MORCOMBE. P
13 SHUMACK
14 FERGUSON
15 MUNRO
16 THOMPSON
17 OLD FARM
18 COLEMAN
WELLS
RICHARDS
CORTIS
ELLIS
19 ZYLSTRA
MORCOMB E


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WELLS
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19 ZYLSTRA
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SOME OF THE MUNRO CLAN.
THE BOYS ARE CLIVE LEN JACK DAVE



Circa 1920

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STORIES.

The following are a few of the “tales” I have picked up over the years.

They may have changed a little as they were passed from one to the other, but I have endeavoured to get them as accurate as possible.

DIRECT MESSAGE

When the Fergusons were living at "Warrie", Duncan 2nd took a dislike to a lad that was calling to see one of the girls and told the caller he did not want him around the place again and if he came back he would shoot him.
Duncan found out the caller was sneaking around at night so he gathered up some of the blood from a steer that they had butchered and loaded the congealed blood into a muzzle loading gun with plenty of paper to keep it in place.
That night as the unsuspecting suitor tip-toed towards the house Duncan stepped out with the gun and said " I told you not to come back boy " and fired.
The "charge" of hot blood and paper hit him in the chest and spun him around. When his eyes recovered from the flash and he saw how much blood he had lost, he fled and never came back.

BOYS WILL BE BOYS

The McKinnon boys, Les and Bob took great delight in playing tricks on Ah Charm the Chinaman who lived on the creek above the junction of Sugarloaf Creek. When he walked to Franks store near the crossroads they would tie the tops of the tussocks together along the track to trip him.
One day while Charm was shopping they cut half way through a log Charm used to cross the Creek and on his return journey loaded with flour and whatever he got to the middle of the log, it broke and in he went spoiling some of his goods.
Bob said Charm was mad for weeks and would have killed them if he found out they had cut the log.

CHARMS REVENGE

One day while brothers Bob and Les McKinnon were out shooting it came on to rain, so they ducked into Charms the Chinaman’s hut for shelter, and were offered a cup of tea.
Charm like most of the Chinamen here grew their own tobacco and on the table he kept a bowl of chopped up tobacco leaf, and while he was busy at the fire boiling the billy Les put a few grains of black gunpowder in the bowl of tobacco . After they had their tea Charm lit his pipe and every now and then there would be a puff of smoke shoot out of the pipe and Charm would stare at it and say “Whafor”.
The old man must have woke up to what was going on as he invited the boys to lunch next Sunday saying it was Chinaman’s New Year, very important, must come. So the boys turned up next Sunday and were served with a meal of rice and stew which they consumed with relish. After the meal Les complimented Charm on the meal and asked what was in the stew, Charm replied "you eat cat". Les made a dash for the door but he did not did not make it and his share of the cat ended up on the floor while Charm screamed with laughter.

CHARLIES HUT

On the top end of the Turon about where the Coolamigal and the Williwa creeks meet to start the Turon an argument developed over a boundary fence between Tom Cox from Capertee , who held land on the eastern side of the Turon and Charlie Smith from Dark Corner who held land on the western side.
For ease of fencing Tom had erected the boundary fence across the point on the western side just below Woolshed Flat, this gave Tom a few acres of Charlies land and Charlie made a lot of noise but to no avail.
Charlie was a bush lawyer and he claimed if he had a dwelling on the land Tom would have to move the fence to the other side of the river, but the dwelling must have a bed and a stove in it to be legal.
So Charlie set to and put a few posts in for a frame of a hut, then installed a bed and a stove (all of which he must have packed in on horses). There were no sides or roof on the hut and the mattress did not last long but Charlie made his point.
The hut frame and the bed were still there when I was last there in the late 1970s

BULL FIGHTER

In the early days there were wild cattle running in the bush (local names still remain eg. Cattlerun and Wild Bulls Camp) and when there were enough to make it worthwhile the locals would “gully-rake” them out.
They were always a problem for old Granny Ferguson (Jane Virginia) as her milking cows were always running away with the bush cattle.
Granny would go out on foot looking for her cows and all she would take was an umbrella. When she found the cows, some of the bulls would get upset with her taking their new harem and would charge. As the bull bore down on her, Granny would stand her ground and open and close the umbrella at him and every time it worked, the bull went bush.

MESSAGE PAD

My father was mustering out in the Black Scrub when he found some of "Bingletrees", sheep so he called at a hut on the back end of "Bingletree" where the manager stayed at times.
The manager was not there but signs showed he was camping there so Dad wrote a message on the door with charcoal (a common practice) saying where he had left the sheep in a set of yards etc.
The next day the manager arrived at "Bingletree" house with the door for the owner to read the message , as the manager could not read.

MRS MARTINS CAT

The Martins lived up the Turon on the road to Capertee and travellers on that road were always calling in for a yarn and a meal.
On one such day, 2 men stopped by and Mrs Martin invited them in for a meal. While she was out the back preparing the meal one of the men who detested cats hit the old tabby cat on the head and put in a large boiler hanging on the open fire.
A few days later on their way back from Capertee the men stopped by and were invited in again for a meal. Halfway through the meal the man with the thing about cats inquired where the tabby cat was only to be told "you’re eating it"

CLOSE SHAVE

While Bob McKinnon and 3 of his mates were hunting they passed by a miners hut and for a bit of fun one of them took a shot at his chimney and when the startled resident rushed out one of them fired a shot that kicked up dust at his feet which put him back inside. Then each time he tried to come out they put him back in as they knew if the miner got out he would go to the Police at Sunny Corner and if he had recognised them, Sgt Wright would have them for sure.
So they kept him in the hut all day, all that night, all the next day and at dark the next night they made a dash for their homes.
By the time Sgt: Wright arrived the next day they had shaved off their beards and never looked so innocent in all their lives. Sgt Wright never caught the bushrangers but the miner soon left the area.

COMMUNICATION

As we now can sit in our houses and watch events as they happen anywhere in the world it is hard to believe that World War 1 was over for a week before the people in Palmers Oakey knew.
During WW1 there was to be a system of beacon fires to be used in case of an invasion and on a particular night there was a trial run. Fires were lit at Sydney and across the mountains as they saw the fires they in turn lit their fires and so on right to the inland. From the top of Poplar Knob my grandfather Duncan who was involved in lighting these beacons, could see 36 fires in all.

DRY HUMOUR

Dry Scott from Dark Corner and an offsider brought a load into the valley on his bullock wagon and as he was a mate of Duncan Ferguson ,they stayed the night with the Fergusons.
Next morning as they were leaving Duncan asked if he would take a litter of kittens away and knock them on the head. Dry said that would be no problem, so the kittens were put into a bag and onto the wagon.
Later on that day the people in six houses along the road to Dark Corner found a kitten at their door with a note tied around it's neck saying " With the complements of Duncan Ferguson ".

FOOD FOR ALL.

Duncan Ferguson 3rd was the last of the bullockies in this area and Dry Scott the last in the Sunny Corner area.
The two of them were good mates and were often away on the road together for weeks at a time. At meal time Duncan said Dry was always on the cadge to see what was in your tucker box. One day Duncan killed a black snake and that night he started to cook his dinner when he saw Dry on his way over from his camp. Duncan put the snake in the stew he was cooking and casually asked " Like some stew Dry?" .From then on Dry ate his own tucker.

JUST SHY

A wedding took place here in the valley at the home of the grooms family. After the travelling minister had tied the knot there was food, drink and song for all.
As the hour grew late the neighbours drifted home and the family started to wander off to bed. As the bride and groom were not going away for a honeymoon it was suggested that they best get to bed.
The groom approached his mother and said "Would you be going to bed with Martha, I don't like sleeping with strangers".
He must have lost some of his shyness as they produced 8 kids.

EXORCISM

Within the people who settled in the valley there were many that were very superstitious.
A case in point was in 1905, the Smiths, William , his wife Alice and their children lived about 400 yards along the Sofala road from the crossroads at Palmers Oakey.
On the 26 Jan 1905 Alice died, and on the 7 Feb 1905 her mother (Jane Ferguson) died, to be followed by William on the 17 March 1905.
The locals were sure there was a curse on the Smith house, so they burnt the house down to get rid of the curse.
It must have worked , as there were no deaths in the Smiths for 10 years.

FEAR HEALER

Ewen Ferguson employed a chap that was camped in a hut near the crossroads , this chap was not too fond of work and when he did not turn up for work one morning, Ewen went to see why.
When he arrived at the hut the man's wife came out and said he was very sick, Ewen went inside to see him and he was in bed, too ill to even talk.
Ewen inquired if there was a Bible in the house and when it was produced he opened it at the 23rd Psalm and started to read aloud.
By the time he reached "The Valley of Death" the dying man leapt out of bed, proclaimed he was "not bloody well dead yet" , got dressed and went to work.

DROVING

During the early 1950s the motor lorry started to take over the movement of stock in and out of the valley, from the usual way, droving.
As far as I know the first load of stock of any size carted by truck out of the valley was by Frank Theobald on his Ford truck on the 29-08-1951 when he took 36 sheep to Bathurst for D Ferguson .
It was into the late 1950s that the locals with their own equipment (with some help from Blaxland and Turon Shires), started to make some of the bends on the Mt Horrible road wider and realigned the road so as to get larger trucks in. This type of self help continued on until the late 1970s.
Needless to say before trucks all stock movement was on foot and though the distances and the size of the mobs was small by outback standards, it was no easy task to get them over Mt Horrible or across the Turon River to Capertee.
Most of the larger mobs of sheep were; "Warrie" 3000, Shumacks and Fergusons 1000 , with a good mob of cattle being 100.
The sheep were mainly young wethers bought in from out west (Warrie's came from their station Calga) that were railed to either Capertee , Bathurst or Kelso and walked into the Oakey. After a few years as wool cutters they would be walked to rail and sent to Homebush as fats. Warrie often walked theirs to their Lowther property near Rydal to fatten.

With the young sheep there were problems either way you brought them in.
If they came in over Mt Horrible, your first trouble was day one on the road, you had to get food and water into their gut and contend with the town and traffic in general. The Denison Bridge crossing at Bathurst often led to some impatient motorist learning a new word or two. Day one usually was to the reserve on Clear Creek. Day two was an easy day about 10 miles to the Limekilns reserve at the foot of Mt

Horrible. Day three you were in trouble as soon as you counted them out of the reserve as these sheep had been on flat, open country all their lives and would not lead out up the mountain through the timber or the bends on the road. The track was up the old road through the timber and by the time you got to the main road they would be starting to lead out. More trouble now for the main road has about 1 mile of cuttings to the top of the mountain and all the sheep wanted to do was look over the side at the view. This “look over the side" was a major problem down the mountain unless they would follow a small mob of about 30 you chased down the road with a bush.
The best trip personally was when Stan Wilkinson and I brought about 500 sheep of his from Clear Creek reserve to home in one day.

If they came in from Capertee (Warrie usually used the Turon Gully -Coolamigal track) they would settle down by the time they reached the timber at the edge of “Bandanora” and would lead out down to the Turon. Then you were in trouble as mostly these sheep had never seen running water and if there was a fresh in the river you were in deep trouble. The idea was to get a rope or the reins off one of the horses , tie it around a wethers horns, get on your horse and slowly drag the wether across while everyone else and all the dogs "pushed" 20 or so after it, then get the rest to follow. If the river was up you would start the sheep in where the current would take them on to the other side where it was easy for them to get out.
My worst crossing was when we drowned 16 nice young wethers. By the time we got them to the second crossing on the river, the dogs were knocked-up and we could not get the sheep to start across. Then Ned Bennett arrived with 2 or 3 fresh dogs and ours came back to life to show off. With the extra push we got them started across and when there were about 50 across the lead stopped and turned back, the ones on our side kept going and by the time there was about 100 in the river, the water started to dam up on them. The water that had been knee deep was now waist deep and the sheep started to climb up on each other, and by the time I got them to move, the island of sheep was about 6 feet high. There was a lot of wet and sick sheep that we dragged out.

At times Capertee was not real easy either. The horse you were riding may have never seen or heard a train and if you happen to arrive in town at the same time as the train you were very busy for a while.
The most important thing you carried as you rode into town was your pockets full of stones, for as you got the lead of the mob to about the church, all the town dogs came out. So a quick canter down the main street, throwing rocks at the dogs got rid of some of them and convinced the local people that it was safer for their "pets" to be shut inside. Then as you went through town someone had to fight a rearguard action to stop the town dogs from fighting with yours.
Then the most important thing as you were leaving town with stock was to get as many of the local kids you could to help head them in the right direction. The reason being when you let the sheep out of the trucking yards onto the road in the centre of town they could go where ever their hunger led them. An uncle and I went to Capertee to get 800 young wethers off the train and when they arrived we found they had been loaded wet and were in a hell of a mess. We unloaded them into the yards to dry out and get back on their feet and we retired to the pub for the night. Next morning we were up and on the move too early to ask for help for we wanted to get them out on the good feed on “Bandanora” before the owner Bill Corlis woke up to what we were doing. I had counted the sheep and tied the gates the night before so all we had to do was open the gate and let them go, and go they did . All they wanted to do was eat, and so they went looking for grass. They took no notice of the dogs or us and just flowed like water. It took us half an hour to get them aimed in the right direction along the Mudgee road. At one stage just down the Glen Davis road I was trying to get about a dozen out of someone’s back yard when one tried to go through the open back door into the kitchen for breakfast. Sitting at the table, was a man, his wife and two kids having breakfast, no one got up to chase the sheep out or abuse me for having sheep in their yard and house. The man just said "You seem to be having a bit of trouble".

There was fun and games to be had when cattle were moved over Mt Horrible especially when some decided to go bush.
About once a year a cattle buyer from Bathurst would ride through the valley buying from each place as he went. The number varied from place to place , he may get a milkers calf at one place and twenty odd steers at the next and so on. As he went through a delivery date was arranged and when the day arrived the cattle would be put into one mob and driven over the mountain to Limekilns where the buyer met them and took over the mob. Sounds easy but it would sent a ringer mad for this mob may contain everything from a few big lumps of calves trying to get back to their mothers , cows trying to get back to their calves, bulls , stags, burnt out milkers (one in season for the bulls and stags to fight over) , a few steers (one a bolter) and a big old bullock someone gave up trying to fatten. When you put this mixture together and went to move it, some would go bush , some went one way, some went the other and some would not go. By the time you got them to the top of the mountain it was sorted out but if one bolted or got pushed over the side of the road, Banjo could have written a poem about The Man from Turon River.

On one occasion Mum, Dad and myself were taking about 30 head of cattle over to Limekilns and there had been a fall of snow the night before. There was no snow until we got to Drag Hollow and the top of the mountain had about six inches cover. The cattle were no trouble and we were making good time, I was in the lead and Mum and Dad were tailing. Just as we were going up to the gate that used to be on top of the mountain , Mum and Dad started to have a snow fight and I wanted to be in it too, so I took off down the hill as fast as my horse could go. When I arrived I left the horse at full tilt and landed on Dads hand with my No:8 hobnail boots. He did not think it was funny.

Dad was taking a mob of sheep to the Bathurst Sale Yards and at the time we were down on dogs and his best bitch had pups about two weeks old. As he could not take her away from the pups for three days he took her and the pups. The pups he carried in the saddle bags and every hour or so the bitch would come and look up at him on the horse. He would get them out of the saddle bags and she would suckle them. An old saying was don’t let pups suck a bitch when she is hot but it did not hurt these.

GHOST

In 1873 the present cemetery was cleared and fenced with a post and rail fence.
Sometime later one of the locals passing by the cemetery on a moonlight night saw a ghost in there.
Most of the locals were very superstitious and by the time several had seen it, there was very little doubt about its existence.
The ghost was only small (a child) and it would move from grave to grave where it would bend down and talk to the dead.
It made the mistake of arriving early, before dark one afternoon for its "talk” and ended up in the pot with its skin nailed to a tree.
The ghost was an albino wallaby that came after the grass on the cleared cemetery and was bending down to eat, not talk.

GOOD BLOKE

This tale of Bob McKinnons could be true as I read an account of it in Post some years after he told it to me.

“We were in France somewhere when this new English officer arrived to take command of us. We were all paraded and up rode the new officer on his steed to inspect us. He was as shiny as a new pin and was wearing a monocle over one eye.
Next morning when we were paraded we all lined up spick and span, and every man had his meat tag (ID Disc) over one eye. Up rode the officer and looked us over. He sat on his horse swinging his monocle around and around, then he seemed to toss it in the air and as it came down caught it with his eye, and said "Now do that you colonial blighters”, then rode off. After that we thought he was a real good bloke”.

LOCAL JUSTICE

During the 1930's a certain gent (who will remain nameless) started to make a nuisance of himself with the women in the valley.
One night while returning home from Capertee on horseback two women were followed by this man, and by the time they arrived home they were terrified.
Next morning ,Tom Ferguson, Duncan Ferguson, Barney Smith and one other local rode down to where he lived in a hut at the Upper Turon.
They surrounded the hut and challenged him with what he had done, he replied it was not him who had followed the women.
With very loud voices (so he could hear) they started to argue about what they would do with him, Tom and Duncan wanted to set fire to the hut and gut shoot him as he came out, and Barney wanted to go in, drag him out and hang him.
After some time they said “We will go home, get the car and go for the Police”.
So they galloped off up the creek to Stoney Gully, then sneaked back up to the top of the hill just in time to see him rush out of the hut, catch his horse, load up and take off towards Capertee.
He was not seen again for seven months, then he returned as if nothing had happened to become a well liked (though not trusted) resident of the valley until he moved away three years later.

LOCK OUT

During the early 1930s my father his brother-in-law Barney Smith and Sam Bower were camped in Tobins Oakey at Mickeys hut.
As they walked back to the hut from work one evening Sam went on ahead and when Dad and Barney arrived at the hut Sam had locked them out.
After half a hour it was dark and cold outside and bright and warm inside as Sam had the fire going.
Barney got a bag, wet it and put it over the chimney but as the hut started to fill with smoke Sam put the fire out. Dad then found a bee smoker, lit it and started to puff smoke under the door and told Sam if he would not open the door they would burn the hut down. Sam must have thought they had set fire to the hut as he burst out of the hut and went bush, to return later to sleep outside wrapped in old bags

LOOK BOTH HANDS

The people of Limekilns and Palmers Oakey used to mix a lot to help with harvesting etc and social events.
One event was a roo drive followed at night with music by one of the local ladies at Mc Kinnons home “Oaks”.
Old Joe Tobin was a ladies man and after dinner was chatting with the ladies while the rest of the men were outside skinning and pegging out roo skins and not too happy about Joe.
When the lady on the piano finished a piece Joe was standing in the open doorway, legs apart, clapping and calling for more. One of the roo skinners sneaked up behind him with a roo tail and shoved it between his legs. Both legs came together, he grabbed it with both hands and shouted “Suffering Jesus Christ".
There was Joe standing in the doorway with both hands on this 2 foot long phallus, a room full of red faced ladies, and a yard full of laughing roo skinners.

EASY MONEY

There was a gent from to top end of the valley who was in the habit of going to town for a drink or two.
On one session he was staying at the hotel in Capertee and on rising from bed one morning he found he had an” accident" during the night.
After cleaning himself up he headed downstairs and found a bloke he thought was the handy man around the pub and said " I shit the bed last night, here’s ten quid to clean it up before the old girl finds out".
Later in the day our gent was in the bar explaining to all and sundry how great he was when the lady who ran the pub (the old girl) burst in and started to call him all the filthy old buggers she could think of. He stated he was sorry but all was well as he paid the handy man to clean up. She replied "we don’t have a handy man that bloke must just wandered in to use the toilet”

THE UNDERTAKERS

After the gold rush there were several Chinamen who had stayed on to live out their lives in the valley.
As they passed on their bodies were usually taken to Sofala . (2 were buried here but later removed).
When one of these Chinamen died the other Chinamen would dress him in his best clothes , place a gold coin on each eye to keep out evil sprits , put a bag of rice cakes in his hands and wrap him in a new blanket. They would then seek the help of Bill Smith to take the body to Sofala.
Though they did not pay Bill much to perform this service he was always there to help out. What the Chinamen did not know was that on the way to Sofala down the Turon, Bill would stop and unwrap the "parcel" replace the gold coins with copper coins He then put the new blanket in the river to soak (and collect on the way back) , rewrap the "parcel" in an old blanket and go on to Sofala.
The Chinamen in Sofala must have considered their countrymen from Palmers Oakey to be very poor

When Charm passed away he died in his hut on the creek just below "Warrie" and it was some days before he was found, curled up in bed.
The job of undertakers this time fell to old Charlie Ferguson and his brother Ewen. They made a coffin for him and when they put him in the coffin his legs were stuck up in the air. Charlie said to his brother “I'll hold this end down and you push the buggers legs down". When Ewen tried this Charm was too stiff and would not bend, so Ewen gave a mighty heave , Charm slipped out of Charlies grip , sat up and burped in Ewens face.
This scared Hell out of them as they thought he had came back from the dead. They both said “ they would never bury any more bloody Chinamen"

When one of the old Bowers died he was found sitting in an armchair and the job of burial this time went to Barney Smith with the help of two offsiders.
By the time Barney made the coffin and put old Bower in he would not straighten out. They had heard the story of Charm so they put the lid on top of the "stiff" and put a drag chain around the coffin. Then with a crowbar through the chain they wound down the lid and nailed it in place.

MUNRO'S FIRE

There was a card night at "Nebo" and all the older Munros were there except one who had been made stay home to look after the children and he was not very happy with the card players.
To get to "Nebo" on foot they crossed the creek near the road crossing and so as to keep their feet dry there was a plank from bank to bank to walk across on.
The babysitter after bedding down his charges decided to get even with the card players. He built a bonfire at the back of the house, lit it and ran to the creek calling for help.

At the crossing he put a round stone under the plank on his side of the creek. All the time he was screaming out " Help, come quick, the kids, the kids, help", this brought the card players at a great rate.
There were five on the plank before the round stone took over and the plank threw them into the creek.

NO HURRY

My Grandmother was called out one night to act as midwife for a young unmarried local lass.
During the delivery a crowd of locals gathered outside the house and were working out who the father was for up to now all were unaware she was with child.
When it was "decided" who the father was, they asked the father of the girl what he was going to do about it. He took a few puffs on his pipe, lent back on the stool and replied " I'll a shoot him in the morning ".

NO LAUGHING MATTER.

A very pregnant lady came to visit her country cousins That night before retiring she decided it would be better to use the "Jerry" from under the bed than make the long and dark trip "up the back".
As she went to use the "Jerry" she was not to know her cousins had put a young kookaburra in it. The kooka took exception to this invasion of his new home and let out a squawk.
The resulting cries for help brought the lady of the house to find her visitor prostrate on the bed crying, when asked what was the matter she replied " I've just had a miscarriage".

OUTFOXED

Peter Munro was a very keen fox hunter, in fact so keen and good at stalking foxes he had his wife make him a pair of wool moccasins that he would slip on when stalking a fox.
Louie Ferguson told me that when she was about 8 or 10 years she had perfected the art of miming fox calls.
One day Louie and her sister were playing in the old gold strippings near Munros old place when they saw Peter Munro heading out fox shooting. Louie let out the call of a vixen, then they ran off up Basin Creek to watch Peter stalk his prey, Louie called again and they cut around into Sugarloaf and so on for about an hour when they realised that if Peter found them he would be so angry he might shoot them , so they sneaked off home.
Louie was on her death bed when she told me the story and her tired old eyes lit up as she relived her trick on the unsuspecting Peter.

OVER THERE

During WW 1 Arthur Franks joined up and went to war. One day his mother was asked why she was loading up the horse and cart, she replied " I hear things are not going well for our boys over there so I am going to see my boy". "Over there" to her must have been somewhere just to the east of Capertee.

POSSUM HUNT

Up till the 1940s possum skins were in demand even though the law said no, and there were various means of catching the possum , traps , shooting, snares etc.
Jim Dyson always had a good supply of skins and when asked how he got the possums he said he used to grin them down out of the trees. He would go out on moonlight nights and when he found a possum he would just stand there and grin at it till it came down , then he would hit it on the head with a stick.
As none of the locals had seen him grin a possum down he had to reassure them of his power. One day he met a few locals on the road near the Junction and when asked why he looked so unhappy he replied "last night was a bad night for possum grinning."
When asked to explain he told the full story. "Even though the moon was bad last night I thought I would give it a go. I found this possum in a big old gum just across the river from the foot of Spencers Gully. I grinned at it for half an hour and not a move, so I got a better position and really gave it to him till the moon went down, but the bugger would not move, so I went home".
I got up at daylight this morning , took me gun and an axe to cut him down. When I got to the tree and looked up I could see why I couldn't get him down, it was a knot on the side of the tree but I had grinned all the bark off the bloody thing".

RAT RACE

During the 1940s we were camped at Mickies Hut in Tobins' Oakey trapping rabbits and the large bush rats were a problem in the camp, so there was always traps out for them.
One old man rat had became wise to the traps so it was time for other means of attack.
Dad left a crust of bread next to the lamp on the table so as he could get a shot with the .22 from his bunk. We were in bed only 10 minutes and there he was, sniffing around on the table. When he got to the bread and started his meal, Dad took aim and fired. The .22 sounded more like a .303 inside the hut and we leapt out of bed to see the results. No rat, just a gash out of the table where the bullet had gone too low.
For the rest of the night there was a rat running around the rafters squeaking and chattering . Dad kept remarking " I must have winged him".
Two nights later one of the traps caught a very big rat and there was a splinter off the table about three inches long impaled into him. No wonder he ran all night.

ROO SOUP

During the early 1900s a well-to-do Englishman found his way into Palmers Oakey and for some time took up residence with the Fergusons
Sam Bower had just started work with the Fergusons and had taken a dislike to the Englishman (who looked down his nose at Sam) and Sam referred to him as "d'Lord".
For dinner one night Mrs Ferguson served roo tail soup. The Englishman found the soup "the best ox tall soup he had ever tasted", and had several helpings.
Roo tail soup is a nice drop but too much can play hell with ones bowels and at the time the toilet was about 80 yards from the house , and the shortest route was over the log fence at the back of the house.
Duncan Ferguson had to go out mustering next day and he said to Sam who was working near the house "keep an eye on d'Lord , see how he handles the soup".
When he arrived home that night Duncan was greeted at the front gate by Sam to gleefully report "O Duncan, O Duncan d'Lord he jump d'fence 14 times to-day ".

SADDLE SORE

A gent from the top end of the valley was in the habit of going to town for a few drinks. The town ranged from Bathurst to Capertee as he often wore out his welcome and as time heals all he would work his way back to where he was, say a year earlier.
On one occasion he rode to Capertee and began a session. Each day when he "woke up" he would catch his horse, saddle it, then go back to the pub to say farewell. Three or four hours later the local lads would feel sorry for the horse and unsaddle it and let it go in the police paddock. Next morning it would happen all over again.
After almost a week of this when the lads returned from letting the horse go back in the police paddock, they found our gent asleep in a shed at the back of the pub. So they put the saddle on his back, fastened it there then put the bridle on his head.
Next morning there was no sign of man or beast or saddle and he did not return for two years.

SALT TO TASTE

My Father was camped in Tobins Oakey with 3 other men fencing. One of the men was Sam Bower who enjoyed grilled kangaroo. In due time Sam went out and shot a roo . That night he was tucking into this roo when someone remarked " Do you want some salt on your roo Sam?".
Sam replied " No thanks he was licking at the rock salt when I shot him ".

THARE'SHE BLOWS

Bob McKinnon told me that on his voyage to W W 1 as they steamed up the West coast of Africa he was put on submarine watch. This was to stand right up at the bow of the ship with a .303 and look for subs.
He said," The day was hot and the motion of the ship had me almost asleep when about 200 yards ahead a sub started to surface. I started yelling out to the bridge and pointing at the sub but there was no sound coming out, I was struck dumb. I looked back at the sub and it was almost on the surface and did I feel a fool, it was a whale. I was very glad the bridge had not heard me".

TIGER MOTH AT WARRIE

The year I am not sure of, but it was around 1946.
"Warrie" had a mob of fat wethers for sale and the buyer was to fly in and inspect them.
This as far as I know was the first aeroplane to land at Palmers Oakey and there was about 8 or 10 people to have a look see. One of the spectators was a medical student on holidays at "Warrie", later to become Dr. Peter Harvey of R P A Hospital Sydney and Bathurst fame.
The aeroplane was a Tiger Moth , the pilot was a chap named Hart (who was later on killed when his plane stalled on take off) , the sheep buyer was from Bush & Co and the landing strip was the woolshed paddock at "Warrie".
When they arrived Hart flew around the woolshed paddock, over the homestead, down the creek and lined up to land in front of the cottage below the shearing shed. He must have thought the locals were excited to see them as they were running and waving their arms in all directions. They were excited for they knew something he didn't, and that was the telephone line going to the cottage from the homestead was right across his flight path.
The Moth came in over the box trees on the rise at the bottom of the paddock and straight into the phone wires, lost a lot of speed and made a bouncy landing.
The prop cut one wire, and there was the mark of the other wire across the nose of the plane just below the prop. This wire must have been at the point of balance, as higher or lower and it would have flipped the plane over. All the phone wire did was act as an arrester wire, like those on aircraft carriers.
The buyer went to look at the sheep and Hart said he would have trouble getting the Moth over the trees at the bottom of the paddock as the Moth had no brakes and he could not hold her to get revs up. So he got us to help push the Moth to the top of the paddock, turn it around and tie it up to a fence post with a piece of rope. The plan was when he had enough revs he would raise his hand and one of us would cut him loose.
The job of cutting the rope at the right time fell to my father, two or three people held onto the wings while Hart worked the controls someone "swung" the prop and with a cloud of smoke the Moth came to life. Hart checked the controls, gave us a wave and a smile and just started to open the throttle when the rope broke and off they went. He kept it on the ground until just past the cottage then it seemed to go straight up and just over the trees, then down the creek to gain airspeed and height.

Dad said " I bet he thought that silly bugger cut the rope too soon".

TIT FOR TAT

During lambing in the 20's my father was camped in Wong the Chinamans old hut about half a mile up the creek from Theobalds and the Theobald kids spent a lot of time there.
One day when Dad and Jock (who was camped with him) were having a meal Jack put some sheep manure in Jocks food, when Jock found it he went to kick Jack in the bum but got him in the back of the leg instead. Jack took off for home around the water race dragging his wounded leg and screaming to his brother Charlie to "Run quick, get dadda, get a gun, shoot a bastard".

WITCHCRAFT

On the way to WW 1 Bob McKinnons ship called in at a port on the west coast of Africa and the troops went ashore to look around. I don't know how but one of Bobs mates who had false teeth and could poke them out on his tongue. This bloke wound up in the main square in town playing a squeezebox and about 20 women were dancing to his music.
This bloke had the box and the women wound up and one of the women started to turn it on for him. As she weaved her way up to him he poked his teeth out at her. All hell broke loose as screaming blacks went in every direction and within 10 seconds the square was empty except for the devil man with the squeezebox.

TO THE POINT

Late in Dry Scott's life the family went to Bathurst for the day and left him on his own. While in Bathurst they had trouble with the car and had to stay the night.
Time and time again they tried to contact Dry on the phone to tell him what was wrong and not to worry, but the operator could get no answer.
Now if you can picture this old bullocky who had never used the phone, looking at this thing on the wall ringing and ringing.
Finally it got the better of him , he picked up the receiver and said " No Bugger Home" and hung up. (at least they knew he was OK).

VALE BEN

The day Ben Chifley was buried in Bathurst about eight or ten people were gathered at home to hear the wireless broadcast of the service. (At this stage of Australia's life most migrants were called "Balts") As we sat around listening to the service a neighbour arrived. As he walked in, all was hushed, and we just nodded to him as he came and sat next to me. At this stage the Priest was reading the service in Latin and my neighbour leant over and said " Whats that bloke ... a Balt ?".

HONEST HARRY

Harry Theobald was a real character and was well known for his honesty and pride, it was said he would walk a mile to repay a penny.

He used to spend a lot of time roaming the bush with his dogs shooting, and when he returned home one night he found his wife Ollie very upset. One of their sons Ray would not do as he was told and to prove his point he grabbed a knife and waved it at his mother.

Harry took Ray down to the creek and stayed until neighbours called in by the distraught Ollie found them.

When asked what was wrong Harry replied " I am making up my mind if I will drown him or not, no boy of mine will do that". Needless to say Ray was very quite, and after a while the neighbours convinced Harry it was not a good idea, and all went home to bed.

Ray died a year or so later from one of the "fevers" that the young were cursed with in those days, and was buried in the Palmers Oakey Cemetery. Harry now shares the grave with him.

IRONBARK BARBER.

One of the local gents with the 'two weeks in town for a drink habit' was in Bathurst, and wandered into a barbers shop for a shave.

When the barber finished the job the gent rubbed his hand over his face and told the barber he had missed several places. "There was a bit here and a bit there".

The barber was all apologies and said he would shave him again and do the job right. So he lathered up the gents face and like the barber in the poem "The Man from Ironbark" turned the razor and used the back of it to "shave" him.

When he had wiped all the soap off he asked the gent " How is that now Sir?". Our gent examined his face carefully and replied " Good, why didn't you do it proper in the first place.

He then asked the barber to get him a taxi. When it arrived, he got in, the taxi turned and parked on the other side of the street, he got out and went into the pub. He didn't like to walk across the street.

WONGS JAR.

My Grandmother told me that when screw top jars first became available from the local shop (Franks), Wong the Chinaman bought one with jam in it.

Later when asked how he liked the new jars he said "Silly, no get jam out". He had cut a slot in the lid and dug the jam out.

The jar was here for years with a cut about ½ inch by 1 inch.

BULLS EYE SHOT.

Jack Martin from Dark Corner used to tell the tale of when he was helping Duncan Ferguson with his bullock team on a trip over Mt Horrible.

Half way up the cutting a bull appeared and started to fight the lead bullock. Jack said they soon realised that if the bull pushed the leader over the bank, he would take the rest of the team and the wagon over the edge and all would be lost. Duncan produced a .38 Navy Colt revolver, and said to Jack " get rid of that bloody bull". When Jack went to shoot the bull in the head Duncan said, "not in the head, the owner will see the hole and we will get the blame", so Jack grabbed the bulls tail, lifted it up, jammed the muzzle of the revolver in as far as it would go, and pulled the trigger. The bull gave a roar, leapt over the bank and took off down the hill. The bull was never seen again and no one was blamed.

CALL TO ARMS

During the time of the war in Vietnam, Jack Martin at Dark Corner had a visit from a group of Jehovah Witnesses . The JWs talked about things in general before they moved to the subject of the war, and should the call-up be compulsory. After a while they realised they were getting nowhere, so they asked Jack what he thought of homosexuality. Jack replied "I suppose its OK if they don't make it compulsory". They gave up and left.

COMMUNICIATIONS

My grandmother Matilda who was the Post Mistress at Palmers Oakey for some time told me the story of one of the locals who would turn-up every month or so and ask if there was any mail for him. When she said there was a letter for him he would reply, "must still be alive" and leave the letter with her. He could not read or write, and when the letters arrived from his brother he knew he was still alive.

TO BE SURE.

One evening when a blackout occurred Stan Wilkinson rang Milton Lamb at "Willandra" to see if the power was off up there or just at their place. When asked if he had any power Milton replied " The light is on in this room, I'll check the other rooms". He returned shortly and said, "yes the rest are working".

SAFE KEEPING

During the early 1950's Charlie Theobald was involved in a car accident on the highway, his daughter Thelma was killed and his mother Mrs Theobald was hospitalised. Mrs Theobald was carrying a lot of money as she had just cashed the wool cheque. Worried about the cash she gave it another son, Frank for safe keeping. On arriving home he decided to put it in a tin and bury it in the garden. Next morning there was money every where, an inquisitive dog had dug it up.

SUGAR TO TASTE

Over on the Turon about the foot of Turon Gully an old timer lived on his own in a hut. Tom O'Farrell was riding past one day and was asked in for a cup of tea.

When the billy was boiled and placed on the table mine host said "help yourself to sugar", and pointed to several tins and glass jars at the back of the table. Tom selected a glass jar with what appeared to be sugar, only to be told "no, not that one, that arsenic, the one next to it"

GOLDEN TUNES.

During the gold rush of the 1850's two miners fresh out from England were working a claim at Jumpers Flat (in the middle of PO). They must have been onto a good run of gold as they were paying a man with a violin to play all day as they worked. The wage was one pound per day, not bad money when you consider the yearly wage for labourers was about 20 pounds.

WALK TO WORK

When the Lewis' lived on the block owned by the Wilkinsons now (2 k up from the Turon), one of the girls had a job at "Bandanora" near Capertee. Her job was best described as kitchen maid, and one of her tasks was to light the fire in the morning so as the cook could make breakfast.(this would be about daylight)

One of the problems with this was the girl lived at Palmers Oakey and used to walk to work and back. The "walk" was across the creek up to the Turon, cross this about the junction with Running Stream, then up the Big Hill to "Bandanora", and back. A distance of about 10 k. each way.

THE FOLLOWING IS TAKEN FROM "The M J Ferguson Story"

A lot of gold was found around the district, at one time there were over two hundred Chinamen on the place , they had their horse races & used to get some of the young fellows to ride for them as they were not good riders themselves , some would bravely try, Duncan said it was very amusing to watch them holding on for bare life, pigtails flying & chattering all the time

There was a German Co. about four I heard , they made a race to carry the water to their sluicing , it was about ten miles from start to finish I believe it paid them well *(the race carried water to the moonlight field & was 14 miles long)*

In the early days there was a public house on the Oakey & my husbands people kept it for a time , the miners used to gather there & play cards, & I suppose some gambling games. They used match boxes (round ones) full of gold dust for the stakes , it was there Duncan was born , his people afterwards took up ground where the sheep station "Warrie" now stands.

There was a fair lot of cattle "duffing" as it was called in the old days & sly grog selling . One story Duncan told me was , " a bullock was stolen during the night from out of a yard , the police were notified , & tracked it to a certain house , but the person that took the animal heard that they were coming , met the police , invited them inside to have dinner & while they were inside the girls of the house took the animals skin, weighed it down with stones & sank it in the dam close by, so the only skin the police found belonged to an old milking cow they had killed .

One story of sly grog selling . A woman was under suspicion , so one of the police called on her & pretended he had cramps very bad & asked her if she had any sprits in the house to give him relief from the pain. She gave him a glass of sprits, the real thing, he thanked her & asked if she would be kind enough to put some in a bottle for him for fear he would get them again on his way home, she did & he paid her for it . So he got on his horse & started off, as he was going he turned round with the bottle in his hand & said, "I have you now ". Of course she was summoned to court, & the case was called, the bottle was opened & found to contain only cold tea, of course the case was dismissed & that constable left the district

RABBITS

I do not know the date when the first rabbit appeared, but Bob McKinnon told me the first sighting was at Golden Point in Munro's right where there are old Quince trees now growing.

Where does one start?. There were rabbits around long before I arrived on the scene, and as I grew up, they were there , everywhere, part of life.

Records from the Palmers Oakey Common

17-05-1887	Common paid 6d rabbit tax.
06-07-1901	A trustees quarterly meeting was held on this date to consider the best mode of destroying the rabbits and it was decided that all commoners should muster on a given day in each month and destroy as much as they could.
19-10-1901	A Trustees meeting was held on the above date to consider the rabbit question when it was agreed that all commoners should meet on the first Sat. of each month and have a rabbit drive
13-03-1915	A trustees meeting was held on this date at which it was decided to poison rabbits on the common £1-0-0 being noted for the purpose
11-02-1916	A meeting of trustees was held on this date for the purpose of discussing the best means of poisoning rabbits. It was thought best to accept the loan of a poison cart from H A Thompson together with a quantity of mixed poison supplied at cost price also to accept the offer of D Ferguson to do the work of poisoning 2 days with one horse at a cost of £1-0-0.

At times they were countless, I can remember during the 1940's in the Sofala area they killed the briars, and some of the willows by eating the bark . In the late 40's near Old Farm on the Coolamigal they had eaten every thing and were climbing the briars. There were too many to fit in the burrows.

Life here like most places in Australia, revolved around rabbits. Some landholders put a lot of effort into control measures, others nothing, except breed them for the neighbours to try and control.

Summer meant poisoning, Autumn was dogging and harbor control, Winter trapping and Spring more harbor control and dogging..

When possible fencing was the go, new netting fences, repairing, and "riding fences" and after storms "checking floodgates", anything to keep them out.

We ate them, the dogs ate them, the chooks ate them, the foxes ate them, the birds ate them, the quolls ate them, the snakes ate them, the goannas ate them.

We skinned them and sold their skins, we sold the carcasses, and we shot them for sport.

They were part of our life, on one hand we spent a lot of money, time and it was hard dirty work, but on the other hand they provided food, money, a way of life and sport.

Control. Some did and a lot didn't. Overall control was the duty of the Bathurst Rural Lands Protection Board. The job of the inspectors was to inspect properties and report on the control measures and those deemed to be not doing enough were put before the court and in some cases

fined. The inspectors also had to inspect all new netting fences before the "trench" that the bottom 15mm of netting went in was filled in to cover the netting.

The first inspector I recall was Jack Gordon and as far as I know he covered all of the Board area. He was a fair and just inspector (though some people thought otherwise). He was a friend of our family and when he was in the area he would "camp" with us. This made us unpopular with some of the locals that were slack in their rabbit control, but as we did more than most, that was their problem.

During the 1930's Warrie would pay one pound to anyone that caught a rabbit on Warrie. That was almost a weeks wages, so it gives some idea of how few rabbits there were on Warrie at that time.

Jack Martin told me when he was a young lad he got a job on Warrie hunting rabbits. He was paid a wage and supplied with shells. He said it was the best job he ever had, "*I got paid to do what I used to do for sport*".

By the 1950's a lot of the property was crawling and on many occasions we would shoot a hundred in a night. When Brian & David Thompson became involved in the management of Warrie they started a rabbit control programme that almost eliminated the rabbits.

When the myxo first arrived places like Tobins Oakey, Scotts property at the back of Warrie were crawling with rabbits. The Theobald boys Jack, Charlie & Frank went to Coolamigal trapping and there were that many rabbits they were able to just pull them out of the burrows as there were too many to fit in. Six months later we went there shooting and all were gone. When the myxo hit in Tobins Oakey I counted 57 eagles there chasing down the sick rabbits, and some had gorged themselves that much they were unable to fly.

The effects of the myxo wore off and the numbers increased back almost to were they were till the 1990's when the new virus arrived

Poisoning. This was done during summer when there wasn't much green feed for the rabbits. First, find a good patch of thistle roots (the root of the black spear thistle) when they were in the rosette stage. The best areas were the timber had been ringbarked for a year or so.

The thistles were dug using a mattock, the tops cut off with the axe end of the mattock and the roots which ranged in size up to 200mm in length were put in a sugarbag to carry home.

Next, find a nice shady place to sit and cut the roots into baits. This meant cutting them with a pocket knife between the knife blade and thumb into 20mm lengths. As they were cut (keeping count to get the desired number) they went into a sieve made out of a kero tin cut lengthwise and holes made in it using a hammer and nail on a block of wood.

The baits were then washed till all the dirt was gone and they were a creamy white colour.

Now into the mixing tin, this was usually a tin with a push-in sealable lid, capacity of about 10 litres.

What followed was *"secret bait makers business"* . What went into the mix was always better than the other bloke's. The poison was usually strychnine, this came in a 1 oz fancy bottle, and the most popular brand was Jacob Hulle from London.

How times change, at about age 14 or 15 I would go into the chemists, buy strychnine and sign the poisons book with my fathers name.

Back to the secret mix, a little sugar, a few drops of vanilla essence, then the strychnine which was a powder and after a lot of shaking the baits were coated. Others people used a range of additives including several commercial preparations.

The baits then went into the drying tin, the other half of the kero tin with no holes and turned occasionally to dry.

When dry they went into the bait laying tin, usually a large treacle tin (about 1 L) with push-in sealable lid. A carrying handle was added using 8 g wire. With this went a pair of tongs made from wire.

By this time if all went well it was lunch time, a quick meal and off to *lay the baits* Using a mattock with one blow you made a small hole that resembled a rabbits scratch, with the tongs a bait was taken from the tin and dropped into the hole, and on and on.

You needed to be able to *read* the ground for rabbit activity. Usually the best areas were along the ridge tops where they were digging for roots.

If you were poisoning just to kill the rabbits you could put out a lot more baits than if you were after the skins. The reason being the time it took to pick up and skin next morning, by about 8-00 o'clock the heat + time would make the carcasses and skins too soft and they would tear.

During the late 50's the poison 1080 appeared, and I was involved in the first trial in the district. This was in the Prussian Gully paddock in Tobins Oakey. We put an implement behind the Land Rover to make a furrow to attract the rabbits and the 1080 was placed in the *"trail"* . At that stage the bait was oats and the inspector said there was no need to remove the stock as they would not eat the stuff. Next morning we found 8 rabbits and 28 sheep dead. The reason so few rabbits were seen dead, 1080 is slow acting and they go to their burrows and die.

Later the favoured bait became carrots. We would buy bags of carrots, cut them into baits, drive around the paddocks with a furrow maker behind the Land Rover and put out un poisoned carrots. We would free feed for 2 or 3 days then miss a day, then put out the carrots that had the 1080 added at the Pastures Protection Board in Bathurst.

I would take the middle seat out of the Rover, Joy would sit in the passenger's seat with a washing basket of carrots and away we would go, up and down the hills, as Joy dropped the baits down past the gearbox. The heat coming up from the motor etc was horrendous, but we got there. At the last *"feed"* the rabbits would come out when they heard the Rover coming.

The use of poison, especially 1080 done well at the right time would reduce the population by up to 90+%, but if there was no follow-up work, a year or so later, they were back to where you started.

Follow up work consisted of harbor removal, ripping burrows, burning hollow logs, blackberries and anything they could live in. A method we used was spotlighting, about 2 weeks after poisoning with 1080 when the remaining rabbit population has recovered from the shock, we would spend hours of a night shooting. Regular spotlighting then allowed us to keep on top of a population explosion.

The drawback with poisoning was the danger to other animals especially working dogs. This meant it could be weeks before you could take your dogs into the area. One good side to this was the number of foxes that were killed by eating the carcasses. There is a lot of debate about the wildlife that was poisoned, personally I never saw any affected. Often there would be crows and eagles feasting on the dead rabbits but I never saw a dead one after. The quolls and goannas must have eaten the dead rabbits but I never heard of them dying.

Autumn time or when it became safe enough to burn was the time for *"rabbiting"* This meant a pack of dogs consisting of the sheep dogs, a foxy, a beagle type and a quick one that was a stag hound or whippet type. I found about 6 to be enough dogs as too many got in each others way and they became aggressive. Nothing worse than a pack of dogs that want to fight all the time. One rabbiter (Frank Alexander) on "Warrie" used to run a pack of 20 odd dogs. There were not a lot of rabbits at the time and the dogs took to snake hunting. When they found a snake they would all go in for the kill, get in each others way and the snake, especially in the case of browns they would get up to 4 dogs.

The tools of trade were a mattock and shovel, matches and the ever present pocket knife to skin em. Add to this a horse, saddle bags and tucker and away you went, all day and half the night. You rode the fences to find holes where the rabbit would come in and when you found one it was fixed and the dogs put to work to find any rabbits that may have stayed inside. Usually when the dogs put a rabbit up it would head to the hole and was easily caught and quickly retrieved from the dogs before they damaged the skin too much. Others may be found in a hollow log or a burrow. The burrow was dug out, the rabbits neck broken and into the saddle bags. In the case of a hollow log where possible the rabbit was cut-out of the log using the axe end of the mattock and the hole that was cut covered so the next time all you had to do was lift off the lid and take the rabbit out. If the log was too thick to cut a fire was lit at one end so as the smoke would drive the rabbit out and the dogs would catch it. At times this did not work, the rabbit would stay-put and suffocate to be burnt along with the log.

Before the advent of bulldozers to rip the burrows they were dug out. This usually involved a gang of men with mattocks and shovels plus dogs. You would start at one end of a paddock that had all the fences made rabbit proof, and the burrows dug as you went across the paddock. When the end of the paddock was reached the largest warren was left and the paddock worked over with the dogs to put as many rabbits as possible into that warren, then dig it out. Digging was not the easiest and cleanest of work, the average depth was 400 mm but some of the burrows went down to 2 meters deep. Along with this was the dirt and mud especially in the deeper ones as you were in trench just wide enough to work in and at times laying in it with your arm up the burrow trying to reach the rabbits. A good "nose dog" was a great help in deep runs as they could tell you which lead the rabbits were in and could save hours of digging.
At the end of a days work the rabbits were skinned and fed to the dogs, the skins pegged out and hung up to dry.
With the advent of winter the rabbit's skin became thicker and the fur longer and this made them more valuable. The prices varied a lot due to the law of supply and demand and the highest I can recall was a pound a pound which relates to $2 for 450 gr. Five good skins would weigh a pound (450gr) so each skin was worth about 40 cents. About this time the weekly wage for farm workers was $5.50, or 14 rabbits. The prices were not always this good, usually between 5 and 10 bob a pound and the average was 10 skins to the pound. So the average was between 5 and 10 cents a skin, so 70 rabbits equalled a weeks wages if you had a job. It also meant most of your meat and dog food was free. It was also all yours, no tax.
Skinning and skin preparation was an art. The skin had to be remover while the rabbit was still fresh, and pegged out to dry within hours.

Skinning was done with the small blade of your pocket knife. The rabbit was laid on its back, you put your right foot on its hind leg while holding the other in your left hand. Holding the knife with the blade between finger and thumb with about 5mm protruding a cut was made down one leg and up the other. Using fingers and thumb the skin was raised off the left leg, the knife was then ran down the leg to the toe nails (more skin = more weight), the tail bone was cut and the skin peeled off the right leg and the knife ran out to the toe nails. Both hind legs were placed on the ground, a cut made just behind the ears, then the skin of the hind legs was grasped with both hands and pulled up. The skin peeled up off the body, tore off at the cut and came off over the head. The skin was then turned fur side out to keep fresh and later pegged out. I was no gun skinner but could do 4 or 5 a minute.
Pegging out was done by turning the skin fur side in, pulling it over a frame made from one piece of heavy wire 900mm long, curved into a U about 450mm long and 150mm wide. The width could be adjusted to suit the various sizes of skins by bending the U.
The skin was pulled on with the tail at the bottom next to the wire, the hind leg skin strips were pulled over the top wire and tied, the skin stretched down the bow and hung by the neck hole at the top.
The next art was packing the skins for sale. I used a wooden petrol case, these were well made boxes that held 2 x 20 L petrol tins. Two lengths of heavy string were placed across and down into the box. The skins were sorted into grades, the very best were the old bucks, then the better does and young bucks, then kittens and damaged. Each grade (except the lowest) was made into 2 lots, and starting with 4 of the best from grade one, each was placed with it's tail in a corner. This was continued down till all the worst were in then up through the grades using 4 of the very best last. You then put one foot on the skins, pushed down and tied the two strings, then the loose ends together to make a handle and pulled the bundle out of the box. What you then had to present to the buyer was a neat and tidy bundle with the very best skins visible.
There were two or three buyers in Bathurst, heaps in Sydney and one in Sofala. I sold mine either in Bathurst or depending on price sent them to Sofala with Ned Bennett the mailman. The buyer in Sofala was Les Dean and he tried hard to pay a good price. When we sent them to Sofala the bundles were put in a chaff bag with your name on it and often to keep the weevils out we would put naphthalene in the bags. At one stage when the price was over 15/- a pound and naphthalene 2/- a pound the trick was to go to Vern Smiths shop and buy 5 pounds of naphthalene, put it in the chaff bag, take it to Les Deans, put the bag skins and all on the scales to be weighed. It was a quick profit and Les never seemed to wake-up to it and in fact boasted about how well his boys looked after their skins. I well remember a pile of naphthalene in the corner of the shed where he emptied it out of the bags. Another trick some used to gain weight was when pegging out to sprinkle sand on the skin. It would stick to the wet skin.
Prices, 20-6-1937, 5/9 per pound,($1-30/kg) 18-7-1938, 2/9 per pound ($0-65/kg) and fox skins 6/- each ($0-60) wages $4-50/week
During the late 1950's the focus moved from skins to the carcass, and to handle the carcasses chillers were needed. The first I recall was run by Tom Cox at Capertee. He would come down to the Oakey in his International ute (when it was going) and collect the rabbits once a week during the season. Norman Fuller a professional trapper and his family moved into Nebo in 1961 and was involved with a chiller for a while. Later the chiller was at Theobalds. On the 13th April 1965 I got Bill Shumack to move the chiller to our place. We bought rabbits from trappers and shooters as long as they were shot in the head. A truck loaded with roo meat would call and top up his load with rabbits on its way to Sydney.

Some of the figures were

07-10-1965	From the 27-4-65 the rabbit chiller at Fergusons loaded 4376 rabbits for an income to the locals of £613-9-1 ½ . The top trappers were Charlie Theobald with 1385 = £ 202-3-6, Frank Theobald 973 = £130-16-11, Clive Munro 916 = £125-0-0, Colin Ferguson 613 = £58-0-0, Len Munro 221 £25-3-1
04-04-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 838 rabbits for $201-50
25-04-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 740 rabbits for $184-05
06-05-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 1030 rabbits for $256-75
24-05-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 985 rabbits for $245-95
21-06-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 396 rabbits for $99-00
12-07-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 644 rabbits for $161 -00
13-09-1966	Rabbit chiller loaded out 350 rabbits for $86-90.

This made a total for the year of 4983 rabbits for $1235-15

Trapping. This was considered to be an art form. A good trapper was held in high esteem, but it was hard, dirty work with long hours.
Trapping was winter time work, the skins were at their best. There were three ways of getting around when trapping, you carried the traps and rabbits on your back, you used a horse, or you used (in later years) a Land Rover.
Everyone had their own way of trapping, but their was a common thread as we learnt off each other.
Trapping ranged from, trying to get the last few in a paddock, catching a few for the dogs and the pot, to full on working as many traps as possible for the money.
A typical year would start after the Bathurst Show. We would have 10 to 20 traps set to get the strays, feed the dogs, the best young ones went in a stew and the skins were worth a few bob. These traps were moved every 3 or 4 days depending on the number being caught. Wet weather meant you stopped till it was dry again.
During the 40's Dad, Mum and I would move to "Mickies Hut" in Tobins Oakey to camp. Dad and Mum would put a line of traps out each and when not working them they would do general work. We came home after 5 or 6 days, spent 2or 3 pegging out skins, shoeing

horses, getting food etc ready to go back, usually Monday. This was during the years 1937 to the late 40's when Dad sold the property Mickies Hut was on.

In 1958 I bought "Bald Hill" from Uncle Tom's Estate & I spent a lot of time trapping there, mainly on my own but sometimes with a mate. In the early years it was still horses to get there but later Land Rover. By the time I started trapping "Bald Hill" on my own we had a Land Rover to move the heavy and bulky gear, traps, bedding, horse feed etc, over the mountain.

A TYPICAL EXAMPLE.

Sunday, make sure the horse was well shod, get all the gear you needed together plus the non-perishable food and pack into a set of saddle bags. (these saddle bags were made from a good potato bag, the open end was sewn up, then one side was slit across at half way, the frayed edges rolled and sewn, a small hole at the edge was made to put the crupper strap through when it was put on the saddle). Make a roll of clean clothes inside an overcoat to tie on the saddle in front of you.

Monday, pack perishable food into another set of saddle bags that went on top of the other one. Load the horse, get the trap dog and head off. One and a half to two hours later depending on the load arrive at the hut "Gum Lodge". Clean out the hut, put the food away from rats etc, have a quick feed, load traps into saddle bags. This meant folding the chain and peg along the body of the trap to stop it tangling with the other traps, or when you went to get a trap out it was impossible. Cut trap papers. You then set a 'line' of traps. How close they were and the number set was governed by the number of rabbits. If they were thick you could set on a 'buck hill" every 50 m and up to 20 traps on a warren. I usually had a line of about 100 traps. Some blokes could set a lot more but were rough and ready.

When the line was set you then done a 'sundowner', this meant running the line to take out the rabbits that had been caught, and reset the traps, arrive back at the hut just before dark so as to feed the horse, light the fire and start supper. While supper was cooking, with the light of a kero hurricane lantern skin the rabbits and peg the skins out. After supper with the aid of a kero hurricane lantern go around the line to collect more rabbits, skin them turn the skins fur side out to keep fresh. Food, then bed, and before going to sleep I would 'run' the trap line in my mind. This made it much easier to find them next day.

Tuesday , up in time to have breakfast, catch and saddle the horse and start around the traps at first light. The early start was very important when the wedge tailed eagles were bad, it was a case of first there got the rabbit. Back to the hut, skin and peg out all the skins. Today was an easy day as you were not moving the traps to a new line, so all the little jobs around the hut were done, put supper in the camp oven and then take the rifle and whistle up a fox or two. Then the sundowner, supper and night run.

Wednesday . Usually meant on the morning run you 'pulled' the traps and after lunch set them on another line.

Thursday much the same as Tuesday

Friday, pulled all the traps, packed up (to-days skins went home to be pegged out) rode home, pegged out skins, cleaned up and had a long hot bath.

SOME OF THE GEAR INVOLVED IN TRAPPING.

Traps, there are dozens of different makes of traps, but the most popular in my time were the Lanes Ace and the Downey. There were still a few old Bunyips but they were heavy and hard to set.

Setter, this was a hoe-hammer with a 300mm handle. With the hoe you dug a hollow in the ground to take the trap and with the hammer end drove the peg into the ground.

Sieve, this was made from a Kippers tin. They were an oval tin about 150mm long and 30mm deep that fish came in. After the top had been removed and the fish consumed you placed it on a block of wood and with a punch made holes about 7mm in about 2/3rds of the bottom. This sieve was then used to sieve out the stones etc when covering the trap with dirt.

Trap Stick, was a stick about the size of a pencil. It is used to place under the plate of the trap when covering the trap with dirt to stop the plate going down and the trap going off throwing dirt in your face and maybe catching a finger or two. We usually made a new stick each year from a branch of an apple tree next to Kelvin. The stick was cut to length, bark peeled off, on one end it was flatted for about 20mm to go under the plate and the other end 10mm for a finger to go on. I still have one of Mum's sticks made about 1960.

Rabbit Bag, usually a chaff bag. This was used to carry the rabbits in, to kneel on when setting traps, and was a great help over your shoulder when carrying a big load of traps to stop the chains cutting into you. Before you put the rabbit into the bag a must was to "empty it", this was done by holding it upside down and with your thumb push on it's bladder. You could tell the trapper who didn't do this by the smell.

Trap Dog. They came in all types but I consider the best were the Foxy or Foxy cross. A good dog would run the traps in front of you and when they came to a trap with a rabbit in it they would 'set it' and the rabbit would freeze and not jump around and sometimes break it's leg off and escape. If a rabbit legged or pulled a trap up the dog would scent it out. They were also good company and did not talk back.

Trap Papers, these were a piece of paper about 50mm x 100mm that sat on the plate of the trap to stop the dirt going under and stopping the trap going off. There was a special way of folding a sheet of news paper and cutting it so as you had 100 papers in half a minute. The papers were fastened to the front of your shirt with a very large safety pin.

MOONLIGHT RACE.

Alluvial gold mining required water, and a lot of it to wash the dirt away from the gold. To do this you either take the dirt to the water (river etc) or, take the water to the gold bearing dirt.

To get water to the pay dirt the miners would cut a trench called a race to the nearest water supply. In the case of the moonlight field the pay dirt was 500 meters away from water (the Turon) and 70 meters above the water level in the river.

The Palmers Oakey creek has a fall of say 3 meters per km, so the miners knew if they cut a race that was almost level of say 1 meter per km it would cut into the creek.

So they started on the eastern side of the valley about a km from the Turon and "found" the creek about a km downstream from the cemetery. In places they would take a shortcut across gullies with a flume. This was usually a hollow tree split in half.

When it was surveyed about 1900 it was found to have a fall of one inch to the chain. (approx 25mm every 20 meters, i.e. 1.25m/k). The length from start to finish is 14 miles (22 kms). How they arrived at the level for the race is a matter of contention but the "accepted theory" is from the other side of the valley they used a level to sight its path.

The time it took to construct I do not know, but when they turned the water into it, the water took one week to reach the end due to soakage etc.

The upkeep of the race must have been a major problem, every time it rained the extra water caught along the race would have breeched it. Even the cattle and horses would break down the wall.

Mrs M J Ferguson referred to the builders as the German Co.. William Tacke, Henry Theobald were involved and they were of German decent. The only others I know that were involved were the Wilkinsons.

The workings must have produced a lot of gold as a big area was worked (they did not move that much dirt if there was no gold).

The sluice box would be positioned and the ground above it would be washed away and made to pass through the box where the gold would be trapped. As the ground was washed away the box was moved forward nearer the face of the work.

Before the box was moved it was "washed up" and the gold removed.

The area was known as Moonlight from the early days and the story is that the miners knew they were into good ground as they could see gold going into the box and expected to get a "billy can" full of gold when they "washed up" the next day.

That night in the moonlight someone cleaned out the box of most of the gold. Miners camped nearby heard horses, some with bells on, and it was thought this was used to cover the sound of the moonlighters taking the gold.
All of the miners involved suspected each other and knew the gold must have been hidden nearby as the thief would not have had time to go far and return. They watched each other for years as slowly they died off one by one, but no one suddenly became rich.
Maybe there is a billy can of gold waiting to be "found" not far from where it was "found".

GOLDEN WATER.

The British Lion mine was located up the Turon from the junction with the Palmers Oakey creek at the foot of Lambs Gully. It was a hardrock mine and there are various drives and shafts going into the side of the mountain.
Two miners were working down a shaft when they struck water. The water was of an unusual dark colour so one of the men used his water billy to scoop up some of the water and take it to the surface to look at.
While on the surface they showed the water to the other men and had their lunch. After they had eaten and were going back down to look at how much water had came in, they tipped the black water out and discovered a ring of very fine gold in the bottom of the billy.
Back into the mine they rushed only to find the shaft almost full of water. Attempts were made to remove the water but with no luck. They then tried to raise capital to drive a tunnel in from just above the river to cut through under the water and drain it, but once again no luck. How much gold is left is unknown but as the following shows it was very rich. The Mudgee syndicate did little.
11-01-1909 From Bathurst Daily Argus.

A Mudgee syndicate is in the progress of formation to take over the option of purchase of the British Lion Mine situated at the Gulf Mountain, Upper Turon. The mine was worked in the early eighteen sixties and several crushings were taken out, which gave results of from 6 to 15 ozs per ton. This mine was worked under primitive conditions of mining of those days and the miners were driven out by heavy water when they had reached the shallow depth of 140 feet. When the option is accepted the party will test the lower levels in the vicinity of these rich veins by means of tunnels which have been driven under them to drain off the water.

There are also said to be some satisfactory low-grade deposits in the close vicinity of these shafts, which have been put down on the line of reef.

UNDERSTATEMENT.

When the Lynch's moved into the Upper Turon from the Hill End area Mrs Lynch brought some blackberry cuttings with her.
She refused to give anyone cuttings till she was sure "they would do well here".
Shame the cuttings didn't stay at Hill End.

PACK TRAIN

At the height of the gold rush there was a shop and butcher located near the cross roads in the middle of the valley. To get supplies to the miners working in the top of the Tobin's Oakey valley the shop owner employed a man with about 8 horses to pack supplies and meat over Black Mt to the miners. The track made by the "string" of pack horses can still be seen today where it is not part of the road over the mountain.

PALMERS OAKEY FISH

The fish in the local waters as I can best glean were Sliperies, Yellow Belly, Cod, Catfish, Bream, and the Gudgeon.
Harry Theobald told me the drought followed by the big snow and floods in the early 1900's killed a lot of fish and it took years to recover. Trout were introduced about 1927 and did not have a major effect on the natives.
Even with the pollution from mining over the years there were good fish being caught. Noel Cole was working at the Golden Gate mine up the Turon near the foot of Lochaber gully said they lived on yellow belly and that was 1934. At about the same time Warrie was draining some of the swamps at the top of Oakey and Reedy creeks and the men there were eating yellow belly and cod, and the Turon was also producing good catfish. When the sliperies were biting half a sugarbag could be taken in a hour.

During the late 30's early 40's there was a lot of bluestone (copper sulphate) used in the creeks to kill fluke snails, this had a serious effect on the fish, as well as the food chain. To top this off there were several dry years with little or no flow in the streams, and there were no fish left.
During the 50's and 60's more reliable rainfall and the stocking of trout saw the streams in this area explode into one of the best trout fisheries to be found. There were an odd cod caught that moved up from the Macquarie river as well as the occasional slippery that was washed into the river out of the railway dam at Capertee.

Following are some oral history stories to give an insight into what was here
Herb from Hill End

My Great Grandmother was born in the 1870's and grew up around Sofala and the Upper Turon . She used to tell of catching Catfish around Sofala and after gutting them take the " white floats " from the guts and they would ride the horses down to the big hole at Upper Wallaby Rocks and there use the air bladders for bait to catch the Murray Cod that inhabited the hole there , it was about as far upstream as the Murray Cod would travel . The Slipperies are a interesting fish , a lot was written of rivers teeming with small cod around 10" long I believe the fish they were referring to was actually a Slippery or " Marble Cod " Blue Guts " Black Fish " and even " Tailor " . There is still some viable populations of Slipperies about and I think they would have been one of the main food sources for the Trout Cod in years gone bye . Past Stocking by Fisheries were Silver Perch 300 in 1963 Golden Perch 1800 in 1984 Murray Cod 600 in 1986 Trout Cod 1700 in 1991 . Rainbow Trout 31,000 1984 -1992 Brown Trout 8600 1989- 1992 . As for stocking prior to this I am unsure but the river from my memories in the 1960's to late 1970's was alive with trout in the upper sections and natives were well established in the bottom end . Brook trout were also stocked once and grew to maturity but were easily caught out
I caught the rock cod up to about 30 to 40 pound, that was the biggest, the common size was from 7 to 12 pound, you seldom got a big one. The Murray cod were more plump, mostly 7 to 20 pounds, but I got them up to 75 pound cleaned, I'd say they were fewer but you saw them bigger. The rock cod used to breed up in the rocky creeks and holes. We thought the rock cod was the local cod, and that the Murray cod used to breed down the river and were caught while they were moving up the Macquarie. That was one theory. Dad, he talked about going down to the Randwick Hole on the Macquarie and walking across, the water was about waist high. He walked through all these cod, they were all swimming upstream, but they wouldn't take the bait. He had gone down with a horse and cart to catch them. Back then I'd say we caught more rock cod than Murray cod out of the Macquarie, that's down near Burn's place near the junction with the Turon. And in the Turon they were mostly rock cod, they were the most common. The last rock cod I saw I caught in the Macquarie down near the junction with the Turon about 1983 or 84, they were scarce by then.

This story teller is unknown.
I'm 84. I grew up in Hill End, so did my father, mother and my grandfather. When I was young in the Macquarie River was the cod, the yellowbelly, catfish and the little slipperies. The Macquarie perch were here, my father called them a white eye, they were called something else, but I can't remember, but they were a bream. There was also the silver bream and the carp, but not the European carp back then.
The Macquarie bream were a bit different to the ones we get now, I've got one of them, a silver bream, now in my freezer. I'm sure they had rounded tails, and big eyes, weren't as silvery and they weren't as bony as the silver bream we get now, that they've stocked in the dam. They weren't real big, up to 2 to 3 pound; the average would be a pound and a half I'd say. I caught them mostly down at the junction and in the Randwick Hole, that's in the Macquarie. They used to go up the Turon, I caught them I'd say up to Everett's, that's 5 to 6 miles up, also caught the cod there. But I caught more in the Macquarie, but they weren't as common as the cod. They were beautiful to eat. When I came back here in 1960 they had gone, when I was about 41 I seen the last of those bream. Yes, dad used to talk about the white eye, how they used to be very common and were the best of all fish to eat, he was going back to around 1900. He called them something else too; I think it was a goggle eyes bream. We used to get two types of cod; there was the longer one and a dumpy cod which was more white and compact. The long cod, some called them the rock cod, that's what we used to call them. The head was longer and pointier, the nose kind of protruded, stuck out more over the mouth. The markings, the rock cod was more blue on the head, and sort of green on the back, and the markings was stripy looking, lots of spots and little stripes. And the Murray cod, the fat ones, the mouth sort of met, they were more white on the belly and lighter in colour. The rock cod were fairly common in the early years, about the 30's, 36-38, they were pretty common. They pulled a lot harder than the Murray cod too. They were in the Turon and were caught up as far as Sofala, there the trout took over.

On Maccas in the Macquarie the scientists had serious doubts that they were ever there. N S W fisheries had an old record of them from the Cudgegong which they thought was incorrect. but there are museum records from Bathurst and the Bell River, two colour paintings of them and some other records to definitely identify them as Macquarie Perch. The last reliable reports originated from near Hill End and in the Duckmaloi in the late 50's.

There are clear cut records of cod from the smaller streams in the area. **John Taylor in 1823** reported catching them in the Evans Plains Creek near Bathampton: "Left Bathurst at half past 10 o'clock for the Stock-location of a Cisalpine settler at King's Plains, 25 miles to the south west…The river is rising rapidly. Procured a cod-fish from a creek of the river Macquarie, which we crossed in our way, weighing nineteen pounds."

Some extracts from Douglas Ogilby on blackfish in the Upper Macquarie written in 1913: "Tailor or tailer at Guntawang in the Macquarie and its feeders - especially the Cudgegong - where I have found gadopsis marmoratus to be especially abundant, the name of tailer is firmly established. These are in the Fish River, Bell River, and other feeders of the Macquarie, as well as the upper waters of Macquarie itself. A fish of 15 inches in length is a very large one, though I have heard on good authority of examples up to 18 inches long being taken in the Macquarie. the usual 'large' ones, taken by anglers in the Cudgegong at Rylstone, Cudgegong, or Mudgee, do not exceed 12 inches in length, and the average barely exceeds the present lawful length, 9 inches." He was specifically talking about the inland blackfish in the last passage, so they do occasionally reach a reasonable size.

There is this one from 1828 written by someone who stayed at Bathurst: "Our breakfast-table was never without beefsteaks, roast wild duck, fried bream and potatoes, besides the more usual accompaniments of pancakes, eggs, cream, and bread superior to any out of Sydney. The bream is caught in all the rivers, bites very fast, and is nearly as large as the salt-water fish of the same name caught on the coast. The cod is the most remarkable fish at Bathurst, and it is not unfrequently caught as heavy as fifty, sixty, and even ninety pounds"

It would be almost certain that the bream were Macquarie perch. the rivers being referred to were the Campbell, Fish and Macquarie. I came across a specific account of a seventy pounder cod being landed right in the town. There are many, many early accounts of big cod coming out of small streams. also them being common in them. cod were once common upstream of Gunning in the upper Lachlan including the feeder creeks. These smaller waters must have been incredibly productive to support either the large cod populations and/or large fish. Part of the answer comes from the description of these subalpine streams having been *chains of ponds.* these ponds were fringed with extensive reeds and rushes that supplied the organic matter to support the food chain as well as dense cover for the insects and small forage fish. in addition thick vegetation fringed the streams which added their own leaf litter plus supplied a lot of insects. so in many instances they could be described as swamps connected by short runs of flowing water. there are accounts of the pools shimmering with masses of minnows (gudgeon) in them. Europeans introduced cattle which caused erosion and changed the very nature of these waters. they turned into narrower, faster flowing streams. plus the bank side vegetation was lost, so much of the productivity went, and in the Turon the gold rush destroyed a lot the habitat and reduced its productivity.

In the early days there must have been a wonderful mixture of fish in this area, good stream flows would bring the big ones up in search of the abundant slipperies, gudgeons and follow the shrimp up, then they would be trapped in dryer times. I have seen a 'run' of shrimp come up the Turon in their countless millions, and a relation who almost "lived"at the forge on the Macquarie said about 1950 he saw shrimp going upstream over the rocks four inches deep.

In my younger days we had many a good feed of gudgeons. We would cut a chaff bag to make a square of hessian about a meter, tie wire to each corner, place under a school of gudgeons, get a piece of string with a hook on the end, load it with worms and dangle it above the "net", the fish would go mad and swarm around the bait, up would come the "net". A good haul would more than fill a litre container. The larger fish (up to 4 inches) were removed and the tiddlers put back. The 'eaters' were put in a kero tin of boiling water with a handful of salt, cooked for 1 minute. The result was eaten whole when the gut (which was now a hard ball the size of a pea) was flicked out with the point of your pocket knife. Great on hot toast and butter with a drizzle of vinegar.
Now in 2011 the water is just running and the Carp have taken possession of the Turon and creeks.

DECISIONS

A story told to me by an old resident that was involved with his father in the gold mining industry.
His father was in hospital dieing from cancer and as there was no palliative care in those days he was in extreme pain.
His father asked him when he came the next day to visit to bring some cyanide, this was easily obtained as they used it in the gold recovery process.
He said he battled with the decision all night and next day, and when he went with his mother to the hospital, unbeknown to her he took a small bottle of cyanide with him. He had made the decision to help his father die.
As they entered the hospital the matron came rushing up saying, *"**thank God you came, Mrs. ------. I've been trying to contact you, your husband died about 10 minutes ago"***

He always wondered what would have happened if his father had lived a little longer.

During the 1950's the driver of the council grader towed a caravan behind the grader and when in this area he would camp near the crossroads.
He was a "New Australian" that came to Aust after WW ll. I think he came from Estonia. He was a very quite man, spoke reasonable English and when he left there was always a lot of empty sprit bottles in the diggers hole not far from the caravan.
Coming past one evening I saw him siting on the step of the van, so I went over for a yarn. He was sitting there with a drink of what appeared to be Vodka and we talked of the road grading, the weather and so on. He said little and his thoughts seemed far away. When I asked what was his worries, he replied, "***I remember sad things".***
He went on ***"Two German soldiers took me outside village, made me dig a grave, I knew they were going to kill me and put me in it. Then a German officer came with this little girl."*** He held his hand out to indicate the height of say 10 to 12 years. ***"she had long gold hair, he said, kill her, I said, no, no gun, he said, you have shovel."***
After a long pause, he took a drink, looked into the glass for a long time, then said ***"I am alive",***

LONG HAUL

To-day as we drive to Bathurst in our air conditioned motor vehicles, do our shopping and return in as little as two hours, we should spare a thought for my grand father Duncan Ferguson a 100 years ago with his bullock wagon.
To get to Bathurst took 3 days, one day if lucky to unload and then load up for the return journey, then 3 days to return to the Oakey.
The big day would have been the one over Mt Horrible as the average day for a bullock team was 8 to 10 miles, and the distance from water to water over the mountain was at least 8 miles plus the pull up and the decent down.
The halfway stop between Limekilns and Bathurst would be Clear Creek that was 10 miles from town, and 10 from his camp at Limekilns.
Another camp he may have used was Bread & Butter Flat about half a mile north of Pymonts Lane. This was so named as it was the half way stoping place on the way to Bathurst riding horses where the horses had a drink and the riders their "bread & butter".
As it was hard for him to water the bullocks at the Winburbdale Riverlett because of the steep banks unless he unyoked them and led them to water, he built a water trough on the Stringy Bark hill about a mile north of the Winburndale. He used a hollow tree split in half and covered at each end with tin and the water came from a permanent spring. This water point became so popular for stock and later car radiators that the Turon Shire replaced it with a cement trough on the other side of the road, that is still there to-day as a sight of historic importance.
It was difficult to hold the wagon descending a hill, the bullocks had little holding power, the brakes were not very efficient and even if they were the iron shod wheels would skid. To help overcome this he would cut down a tree at the top of the decent, tie it to the back of the wagon and this would act as a brake. At the bottom the tree was removed, and as the number of used trees grew over time they would be heaped up and burnt.
Where the fire trail goes off the road at the foot of the mountain on this side is still known as Drag Hollow as that is where the trees were removed.
His wife Matilda said they used milk up to 8 cows for milk and butter, and the spare butter he would use to grease the wheel bearings on the wagon.
Some of the old hands said they remembered well the sound of his voice as he called his leaders and pollers around the corners on the cutting up the mountain. The corners were much sharper then and one wonders how he got around them when you consider the length of the team of six or eight bullocks plus the wagon. Dad said he remembered the marks from the horns of the leader bullocks on the bank of the cuttings on some corners.
On the 12-04-1899 the Palmers Oakey Common purchased 1 1/2 tons of wire from Lassitters in Sydney for £12-15-00.($25-50)Cartage on rail to Capertee £3-7-2.($6-70) Cartage D Ferguson Capertee to Palmers Oakey £11-15-00.($23-50)
About 1916 he took a load of Elbourn's belongings from "Kia-Ora" to their new home at Capertee. To get there he had to follow the Turon to the junction with the Running Stream then follow it up to "Jack Halls" creek then on to the Mudgee road then back to Capertee.
He also carted a lot of wattle bark from here to the rail at Pipers Flat, then it went to the tanneries at Botany.
The road over the mountain was very hard on the bullocks feet so he used to shoe them. The shoes were made in two pieces and it must have been quite a circus to get them shod. I don't know how Duncan shod them but some bullockies used a sling to lift and hold their legs.
He also made most of his "harness" and I have a few of his yokes, some half finished.

One of the bullocks from his last team was sold to the butcher at Wattle Flat and when it was slaughtered it weighed 1800 pounds i.e. 815 kg. A bull can dress out at 60% so that bullocks live weight was about 1350kg which is a hell of a big bullock.

BUSH MEDICINE

During the 1940's Dad, Mum, her brother Bill & I were camped in Mickies hut in Tobins Oakey trapping rabbits.
In those days due to the lack of greens etc in the diet a lot of people suffered from boils and other skin complaints.
Bill developed a boil on the cheek of his bum, it was a nasty looking thing and was giving him a lot of pain.
At last he consented to let Dad "draw" the pus out using the hot bottle method.
This involved Dad getting a glass pickle jar, filling it with boiling water, Bill presenting his bare bum to the light of the kero lantern so the boil was easy to see, then Dad tipping the boiling water out of the jar and jabbing the jar over the boil.
The vacuum created in the jar started to draw the pus out, but, the combined pain of the hot jar and the pus being sucked out caused Bill to yell and curse and at the same time jump around the hut.
From where I was laying in bed, Bills shadow on the wall looked like a kangaroo hoping around.
The "cure" worked and in a day or two Bill was able to sit down

CZEC MATES

During the early 1930's two Czechoslovakians came to the area looking for work. They camped in Janet McKinnons (nee Ferguson) old hut on what is now known as the RLPB reserve near the cross roads.
Their names were John Suna and J Bartos, both were big men and their physical strength held the locals in awe.
When fencing they were able to carry a roll of wire netting under each arm, whereas the average man was happy to carry one on his shoulder.
They were well liked and had happy and kind dispositions. They had an old draught horse they thought the world of and would decorate it with coloured ribbons in its mane and tail.
Both were great cooks and loved to share their fare with the locals, and one of their specialties was coffee to which was added eggs and mustard.
One Xmas morning Dad called on them for a little Xmas cheer and was invited to join them for a drink of a "special wine" they made. I gather when he got home just in time for Xmas dinner, he went to bed.

They were keen to improve their English and Barney Smith helped out by teaching them a special reply when asked ***"how are you?***". They would reply ***"up to shit bonza".***

At one stage they were ringbarking the regrowth trees in Warries Sugarloaf paddock. Peter Munro kept bees and was not happy to see the honey producing Yellow Box being rung. One day he met the boys on their way home and said ***"what are you up to, you are ringing all the trees"***. One of them replied ***" no, not the dead ones"***

THE OLD TRICK.

During the early 1920's one of the Theobalds that owned a block of land that is part of Hawkins Hill decided to sell it. He asked Duncan Ferguson if he was interested and a deal was done and they shook hands on it and it was decided the next time Duncan was going to Bathurst (he had a car, a T Ford) the owner would go with him to get the solicitors to do the paper work and settle the money matters. Some weeks later Duncan met the owner on the road, and asked if next week suited him to go to town and settle the sale.
Mr Theobald did not want to talk and when Duncan asked if he had changed his mind he said "No it not that, I sold it to the --------Bros". Needless to say Duncan was not pleased and said "You can't do that, we shook hands on the deal". The reply was "Sorry Duncan, they took me to town, got me drunk, and I signed the papers".

BUTTER FINGERS.

One day Dad was having lunch at Theobalds and enjoying Mrs Theobalds cooking (she was a great cook). Harry was at the head of the table and Edna the daughter was at the other end and she was in a lot of pain with a boil on the side of her nose. Harry asked for the butter (this was a pound of butter wrapped in paper), Edna picked up the butter and threw it to Harry. He caught it and threw it back saying "where's your manners?". The missile hit poor Edna on the nose and burst the boil. She started to scream and yell, Dad said he felt sorry for her but had to smile, half her face was covered in butter and the other with the contents of the boil.

HOLE TRUTH.

Out Meadow Flat way there was a woman that did not possess the best of reputations, but did possess several kids of mixed parentage and a few old cows of very mixed parentage.
One of the local know alls thought he would take a rise out of her and asked, *"**That's a good looking boy there, who is his father?"***. Her reply was*," **I was picking up spuds at McManus's and some bugger sneaked up behind me, pulled a spud bag over me head, don't know who he was**".*

One of the local farmers claimed he was of Scottish Royal Blood, whether he was or not, he put on a lot of airs and graces. He bought an Aberdeen Angus bull which he claimed he imported from Scotland, and anyone that wanted their cows in calf to him would need to pay a high service fee. At that stage it was the only Angus bull in the district.
One afternoon the Scottish Laid was out driving in his fancy sulky when he met up with aforesaid lady who was taking her cows for a free feed along the road. In amongst the mixed mob there were three brand new Angus calves. When the Laid spotted the calves he said, ***" Miss …… where did you get your cows in calf?.*** He was told ***" Second ole under de tail"***

SELF HELP

Stan Wilkinson told me this story of Ah Yuck. Yuck lived on the creek not far upstream of the Wilkinson place. He grew vegetables there and about once a week he would take a load to Sofala in a horse and cart to sell.
Stan said he would see Yuck coming down the road on his way to Sofala and he would ask Yuck 'Do you want me to open the gate at the Junction for you?" (this was about 2 k away) and Yuck would reply "Yes, jump on".
Stan would sit on the back of the cart and help himself to some of the fresh carrots, peas etc and drop off something to pick-up as he walked back home.
Stan said he was sure Yuck knew for he would often say "Carrots make you grow boy."

LOCAL LAID

During the 1830's 50's John McLean held vast tracks of land in the area. He was known as "The Laid of Capertee" and an author claims he "Had command of all the runs on Collamudgee (sic) which he purchased from Mr.Irving of Bathurst,, Palmers Oakey, Williewa, and the Upper Turon down to the "Gulf" on the Turon River." And on his death controlled all the land, without a break from Glen Alice to the mountains in sight of Bathurst.

BANDANORA

A good insight into the area during the 1840's 50's comes from a story dictated by William Corlis, his people held the land between the Turon River and Capertee from the 1850's to 2002.
"I William Corlis, was born in the County of Galway near Tuam Ireland in November 1836. My father was a farmer. The parents of both my father and Mother were born near Tuam. In 1840 we emigrated to Australia. I think the name of the ship was "The Susan". We landed in Sydney in March 1841. The party consisted of my parents, my brothers, Michael and John, and my sister Margaret. On the same boat my fathers brother Patrick and his wife and three children also came out. We all remained in Sydney for about a month, then my Father took a job of shepherding at Airly Flat near Capertee for William Russell of Cullen Bullen. I remained in Sydney with my mother's brother, who came to Australia in 1839. I stayed with them until February 1845 when myself and sister went up and joined the family in the Capertee valley. My father had stayed at Airly Flat with Russel for a year, then went shepherding for John Ashby of Black Springs near Cherry Tree Hill for about 18 months at 36 pounds per year. Ashby was unable to pay him, so he took sheep instead. He got 300 ewes instead of the

money. My father had no run for them so he gave them out on terms to a man and then went shepherding for H Gwynne of Capertee Valley. He shepherded for him for about two years and then shifted to Warrangie Creek, where he stayed for two years on his own account. In January 1849 we shifted to Turon Gully about one mile below Capertee and in that year my sister was married to T M Keenan. About 1851 we shifted to Bandanora. The hut was erected near the big heap of stones in the old cultivation paddock. In February 1853 my father died at Bandanora. He had about 2000 sheep and left me 200 pounds. In those days we had to go to Sydney with a horse team for supplies. The road was only a bush track from Mudgee to Bowenfels, the only cuttings being small ones at Cherry Tree Hill and Crown Ridge. The journey to Sydney and back with a horse team used to occupy about three weeks. We grew our own wheat for flour one year. Other years we used to buy flour, generally at Bathurst. One year just after digging for gold broke out I paid 50 pounds for a ton of flour. Potatoes costing 20 to 25 shillings per cwt. The blacks were never numerous and were never troublesome in my time. Wild cattle and wild horses were about in thousands. There were no fences except a small horse paddock and fences around the cultivation. Sheep had always to be shepherded and the wool was washed on the sheep's back. The sheep were put in a fold at night.

The shepherds hut was at the yards, and dogs were tied around so as to give the alarm if dingoes came near. The wild cattle were a fair size and we used to make workers of some of them, though generally we would yard them with some tame cattle, brand them and let them go. The wild horses were generally weedy, though there were some good ones amongst them. There was no ringbarking at all done for many years, until 1889 only about 100 acres had been ringbarked. In the early days we used to bank our money at Bathurst, but kept about 50 pounds in the house. The house was never 'stuck up' by bushrangers, and I was never interfered by them. When we settled at Bandanora there was a hotel at Crown Ridge, and we used to get our mail there about once weekly, sometimes we would get it at Round Swamp. Neither the people at Crown Ridge nor at Round Swamp could read or write. The telegraph was not then existence. The station was always known as Bandanora, but I do not know the origin or meaning of the word.. It was a station for many years before we got it. My father did not buy it. Peter McKinnon and John McLean were occupying it, when in 1861, Keenan, (one of the early innkeepers who married Williams sister) who had some knowledge of surveying, informer us that he considered that McKinnon and McLean's lease did not embrace the Station. He came to the conclusion after running a line with a pocket compass and stepping the distance from a measured portion at Round Swamp. The distance was about 4 miles. My father had the land embracing the station put up for lease, and he purchased the lease. He and my brother John then went over to the station. The hutkeeper went out to get some firewood, and my father walked in to the hut. He refused to let the hutkeeper in again, and when the shepherd returned with the sheep in the afternoon, he (my father) would not permit him to put the sheep in the yard but impounded them instead. He took them to the pound at Kelso. My father was threatened with Court proceedings. I think McKinnon and McLean then employed a surveyor to investigate. However no Court action was taken, and we remained in procession. Later on when the land was measured it was found that the Station was on the lease that we bought. Our confidence in Keenan to correctly use the compass and accurately step the distance was proved not to have been misplaced."

Signed William Corlis.

The McKinnon was Peter who was married to Janet Ferguson, and McLean was the Capertee Laid. (CF)

YOUNG MAILMAN

Stan McKinnon told me he had about two years schooling when his father got the mail contract from Palmers Oakey to Sofala. As his father Duncan McKinnon could not read he took Stan with him to read the address on the letters so as to know where to leave them. So Stan learnt to read, reading addresses.

HARD WORKER.

When Beau Brown owned "Bingletree" one of the 'managers' he had was a bloke named Dobbie. Dobbie's day consisted of getting up, having breakfast, catch a horse and tie it to a tree just near the house, then retire to an old lounge in the house.

Beau lived in Eglington and would occasionally drive out to "Bingletree". When Dobbie heard him coming he would rush out and tell Beau a tale along the lines of, "Morning Mr Brown, I have just come in from the Battery Paddock for a feed and put the billy on, come in and have a cuppa". He would then go into a long spiel of what he had been doing. The horse seemed to enjoy the work.. I don't think Beau ever woke up.

HARRY'S ENTERTAINMENT.

Harry Theobald loved to entertain visitors (& his kids) with the quicksilver trick. Quicksilver (mercury) was used by the gold miners to recover fine gold, they would put it in with the fine gold, it would amalgamate, they would then heat the amalgam, the quicksilver would evaporate leaving the gold. Most miners carried a small bottle of quicksilver and Harry was no exception.

He would get the kids to get some wheat, throw it in front of a bee box, call the chooks and ducks, at the same time kick the bee box. The chooks and ducks would rush for the food and the bees would take to them. The only place the bees could do much damage was on the combs of the chooks and they would be trying to run on one leg and scratch the bees off with the other.

When peace returned to the farmyard he would throw another hand full of wheat on the ground and put about a teaspoon of quicksilver with it. The ducks would be shovelling up the grain and the quicksilver. About a minute later it would come out the ducks backside, hit the ground to be gobbled up by another duck. After this silver ball of liquid metal had been through half a dozen ducks Harry would "recover" it.

Mercury is said to be deadly, but the Theobalds who ate those ducks lived long and well.

Another "trick" of Harrys was cutting the heads off flies. While he was sitting having a yarn and the little files were around he would get his pocket knife, put his left hand on his leg. With the knife poised above the back of the left hand he would wait for a fly to land. He did not even seem to be looking but as soon as the fly landed the knife blade came down, beheaded it and rose to await the next.

NOT WELCOME.

Dad was mustering on the north side of the Turon, had trouble with the sheep and realised it was too late to make it home before dark, so he headed for "Bingletree".

The old bloke (manager) that lived there was more than happy to give Dad a feed and a bed in exchange for a yarn.

After tea the old bloke jumped up from the table and headed for the door. When Dad asked what was up he said ***"there's some bugger across the river going round his traps"***. Sure enough there was the light from a hurricane lamp moving slowly around the side of the hill about five hundred yards away. The light would stop for a while as the trapper took the rabbit out of the trap and reset it, then move on again.

Dads host said ***" I don't want no bastard trapping this place".*** He went inside and came back with a .303 rifle, took aim at the light and bang.

The light took off around the hill for about 20 yards, stopped, then went out. The trapper must have realised if he put the light out he was less of a target.

MADE TO FIT.

There was an old bloke that lived in the valley, on his own in a one room hut. He was the proud owner of a cat. The cat spent most of it's time inside and to make it easy for her to go in and out he cut a hole in the bottom of the door.
A passer-by who called in for a yarn and cuppa noticed another hole in the door. The new hole was next to the old one, but much smaller.
When asked why the new hole, he was told, *"Me cat ad kittens".*

LIGHTS OUT.

During the late 1950's Norm Fuller and family were living at "Nebo", Norm was trapping rabbits and also had the rabbit chiller there for a while.

One day he said to me *" Some bugger was spotlighting the road last night, as they went past I got the .22 and let a shot off and they took off "*

I thought no more of it .About 15 years later I was in Lithgow and was introduced to a bloke, and when I said I came from Palmers Oakey, his reply was**.** "*Palmers Oakey !, I was only there once and I am never going back. A mate asked me to go spotlighting and we were driving past a house when some one yelled out 'Bugger off" and took a shot at us. The bullet just missed the spotlight I was holding and smashed the quarter window ".*

ROLL OUT THE BARREL.

An old shepherd used to tell the story of when he was shepherding . One night three bushrangers burst into his hut, ate all of his food , drank the booze they brought with them and camped the night. Next morning they emptied the water barrel , put him in and nailed on the lid. They then let the 'package' roll down the hill. It was steep and rocky, he said the ride down to the flat by the creek knocked him out. When he came to he found some of the staves in the barrel were broken but not enough to get out.
All day he lay in his prison on the flat and when night came he went to sleep. A noise woke him up and looking out he could see in the moonlight some wild horses feeding and watering. One of the brumbies became curious of the strange object and came to investigate . She walked around and around smelling and snorting , finally she accepted the new rock and commenced feeding.
The teller of the story said *" when she turned around her tail was next to the barrel , so I reached out and gave it a pull , she lashed out with both heels and smashed the barrel* **"**

JUST PUNISHMENT ?

One of the Tobin boys at Limekilns was shepherding his fathers sheep in the Penders Creek area and lost a lamb. He searched for it but could not find it and as it was getting late he had to take the mob back to the fold.

The mother of the lamb kept bleating and bleating, he knew if his father found the lamb was missing he was in trouble , so he cut the ewe's tongue out to stop her calling the lamb.

This did not solve the problem , dad found the lamb was lost.
The lad was made to stand on a tree stump near their hut and dad flogged him with a stock whip.

One can see why the boy did not want dad to know he had lost a lamb.
Dad had been a convict and in 1834 received 50 lashes from his master for "riotous conduct"

Another similar story , Jack Berry who was our mailman during the .50's When he was a kid he upset his father (I don't know how) and his punishment was to be chained to a tree outside all night in the snow.

Jack said he done what he was told from then on.

One of old Charlie Fergusons daughters was seen to be having trouble walking , sitting etc and when my Grandfather asked *"whats up with the girl"* Charlie said "*little bugger wouldn't do what she was told so I gave her a kick in the arse. Kicked her too hard I think, must have broke her arse bone"*

PECKING ORDER.

An old bloke who lived in the Dark Corner area kept a few chooks and ducks, all in together.
One day a visitor noticed that the ducks had their bills cut to a point.
When asked the reason, *" When I fed them the bloody ducks would shovel up the grain, so I rasped their bills and now they can peck for their food like the chooks"*

RIGHT TO VOTE.

Up until the late 1950's Palmers Oakey had it's own polling booth at election time.
On one occasion that I can remember the polling place was at Martins a small house owned by the Fergusons next to the old church site.

The poll clerks were Ned Bennett and my father. At the time of the election there had been heavy rain and there was a lot of water in the creek and the Turon, making it hard for some people to get to cast their vote.

At the close of polling I can remember Dad and Ned checking off who had voted. There were some who had not come to vote due to the floods.

The voting intentions of these people was well known so they voted for them to save any problems that may have arisen from not voting.

Later when told by Ned and Dad the absent voters were more than pleased.

NON SKID.

Up to the late 1950's the road to Capertee did not go up the hill from the Turon as it now does , but followed the Running Stream up and then up the Red Hill road that now services the sub-divisions there. It was just a track
At this time Tom Hyde bought an ex army jeep from one of his neighbours, and decided to take the wool clip to Capertee. This meant one bale at a time as jeeps were not designed to carry a lot. The jeep had no brakes so Tom tied a log across the back that hung just above the ground, so if he had to stop going uphill the jeep rolled back and the log caught under the tyres and there it stayed till he moved off.

The road near the top of the hill was very narrow and leaned to the left, so Tom would stop, move the bale to the right hand side of the jeep, prop it in place with a few sticks and proceed to the top of the hill. The bale then was moved back to the centre for the rest of the trip.

On the way back down the Red Hill Tom would find a suitable forked log to tie to the front of the jeep to act as a drag. He would then drive down pushing the log, this not only stopped the jeep running away but graded the road.

ALL NIGHT SUCKER.

The hall at Sunny Corner over the years saw many a good time had. During the 1950's there were a couple with half a dozen kids that came to the dances.

The youngest kid of just a few months in it's stroller was put in a corner near the band. Dad would produce a tin of condensed milk, make a tiny hole with his pocket knife and give it to the kid.

The small one would suck & suck till it went to sleep and when it awoke the tin was reconnected.

Child and all concerned had a peaceful night.

HARD TUCKER.

Old Ewen Ferguson's wife Liz was giving him a hard time for not getting her some wood. "*If you want me to cook for you I have to have wood, no wood no food."*

The next day "Ewie", Dad and myself were out mustering , we met for lunch, found a nice sunny spot, tied the horses up and sat around . As we were opening our tucker bags Old "Ewie " was busy as usual talking when all of a sudden he stopped, and muttered to himself **"** *O that woman"*

All his tucker bag contained, other than his pannikin, was two sandwiches filled with wood chips.

QUICK BURIAL.

The year 1974 was very wet, over 36 inches and there was a heavy fall of snow in late May. The ground was saturated and bogs every where,

Late June Mrs Ollie Theobald died and was to be buried in the Palmers Oakey cemetery.

The locals dug the grave and it was clear the road in through Shumack's block was too wet, so we got the Council to send a truck, Brian Thompson had his grader, and I had our dozer there trying to get the road fixed, but the gravel just sank into the mud. So it was decided that we use the Bush Fire Land Rover to take the coffin round through our Murdering Gully paddock (where the track to the cemetery now goes).

Next day Brian left the Rover at the gate (he had to go away) and I was to drive it. I put a blanket on the tray and when the motorcade arrived we put the casket on and away we went. All the cars stayed at the road and the people followed on foot. Slowly we proceeded along the track, people dodging the mud, especially the ladies in their good gear. When the procession arrived at the cemetery I started to back the Rover down towards the grave, when I went to stop the brake pedal went to the floor, so I pulled the hand brake on. The Rover stopped but the casket didn't. It slid back about two feet, tipped up a little, had a look at the grave, didn't like what it saw, and then came back down onto the tray. Another half an inch and there would have been no need for pallbearers.

BEE MAD.

Election day and the polling place was at Martins, and the poll clerks were Ned Bennet and my father.

A car with three strangers saw the sign and stopped, and at that moment a swarm of bees came past the house. If you make enough noise so as the swarm can't hear the leaders they will land.

So dad grabbed a 4 gallon tin and a stick and took off after the swarm banging on the tin. The three voters had a look of almost fear and it took Ned a while to convince them the man with the tin was OK and he would soon be back to help with their voting.

A similar thing happened on a property near Bathurst. The owner of the property, a Sydney business man was up for a few days. After lunch he was sitting on the veranda watching the manager working on the fence near the front gate. The manager had a few hives of bees and a swarm came out of one of the hives and headed for the bush. He grabbed the shovel and started to belt it with the pliers and at the same time bellowing at the top of his voice while he ran after the bees.

When the man on the veranda saw and heard this he jumped in the car and took off after the manager.

When he finally caught up with the manager he said. *"Been a damm hot day old chap, hop in the car and we will go back to the house and have a nice cool drink"*

FREE RIDE.

Stan & Jean McKinnon went to the dance at Sunny Corner one night and on the way home in Stans Ford ute he stopped at the Coolamigal Creek to top up the radiator (in those days cars used almost as much water as petrol).

Looking around in the back of the ute for a billy to get the water he found an unknown and unwanted passenger . a sound asleep and drunk man .Stan woke him and asked what the hell was he doing and was told it's nice and warm here in the spud bags. So back to the hall and unload the unwanted passenger.

NEED A SHOVE.

During the 1930's Stan McKinnon was the proud owner of an Austin 7 (Baby Austin) , this was a small 2 seater and as Stan was leaving the dance at Sunny Corner with a local lass in the car with him, the lads lifted the car up and put a block of wood under the back that kept the wheels off the ground. So when he went to take off nothing happened , the lads said the 'bomb' was gutless and they would give him a push' The idea was that when Stan got a few revs up they would shove it off the block of wood. This they did when Stan got the revs up, but in the meantime he had the Austin in reverse. Luck for the lads it was small and light and did little harm running over and knocking down the helpers.

RAINING ROCKS

During the early 1970's the Sunny Corner Hall and P&C Committes decided to improve the Sunny Corner hall and especially the toilet. Working bee started digging the hole for the septic and struck rock so it was decided to come back next weekend with Brian Thompsons compressor and jackhammers, So twelve holes were drilled down five feet, filled with anfo, (a hell of a lot for the job) primed and lit. Bill Shumack and Brian went up the road to the Post Office and I went to the rec ground to block the traffic. There was one heck of an explosion, rocks went to heaven, and some past the Post Office. When we returned there was the hole , a beauty but!, there were also holes in the hall roof, several in fact and one made by a missile about the size of a football that went through the roof, the ceiling ,a table and into the floor and the patch is still there 40 odd years later.

So back next weekend to fix the roof, Bill Shumack and I were on the roof mending the holes with roof iron cut to size and soldered on. We were going well when I noticed smoke. Under the iron there was years of birds nests, feathers and pine needles. A lot of shouting, the ladies on the ground started a bucket brigade and when I pulled a sheet of iron off to let Bill toss in the water the fire took off, so between buckets I would put the iron back and lift it up when the water arrived and in time we won and the hall was saved, but it was only by a lot of luck and burnt hands.

SLIPPERY JACK.

THE PALMERS OAKEY BUSHRANGER

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The Following is taken from Newspapers of the day when "Slippery Jack" was in the news.

These articles make interesting reading, especially when the original report of a "crime" is compared with the evidence given later in Court.

A Sunny Corner Narrative.

POLICE SERGEANT WRIGHT ENCOUNTERS AN ALLEGED DESPERADO. ESCAPE OF THE FUGITIVE-HIS SWAG.

From Bathurst Free press 15-4-1893

On the 7th inst. Sergt. Wright, in company with Constable Grommelin, acting on information received, proceeded to scour the mountainous part of the district lying between Lime-Kilns, Palmers Oakey, and Sunny Corner, in search of a desperate character who it is suspected, was the perpetrator of, a number of robberies which have been committed in and around the district during the past six month or so.

On the date mentioned (says the Mercury), Sergeant Wright and a young man named Gaunt came across a man just about dusk. He was making his evening meal, on the top of Mount Oliver (better known as Mount Horrible). Sergt Wright called upon the man to surrender as he was wanted by the police.

The man instantly got behind a large tree and covered the sergeant with a revolver, at the same time drawing a large Bowie knife, which he held in his left hand, replying in a foreign accent -: Come on police!, I no frightened! I fight for life!" He snapped the revolver twice at Wright, but fortunately, the cartridges did not explode.

Seeing that matters were likely to become serious, Wright got under cover of a sapling and waited at opportunity to fire at his man. When he got a chance he let drive and the bullet grazed the tree close to the man's leg, The fugitive then threw from, behind the tree a couple of stones which struck the sapling in close proximity to Wright's head .He next made off down over some cliffs, followed closely by Wright, who again fired, the shot this time taking effect near the man's hip; but apparently, this was not sufficient to stop him. Immediately upon being struck by the leaden messenger from the police revolver, he picked up a stone and hurled it at Wright, striking him on the head and rendering him for a few seconds unconscious.

After regaining consciousness the Sergeant again followed the man for a couple of miles over some very rough country, but failed to overtake him as, it was then almost pitch dark. In his efforts to capture the fugitive Wright received a number of bruises and cuts through falling over rocks, &c. However as our popular Sergeant was unable to arrest him, he was so far successful that he arrested his "swag," which, was conveyed to Sunny Corner, and is now safe under lock and key in one of the cells.

While on, the subject of the "swag" it may be interesting to your readers if I give a slight description of it. As Sergt. Wright remarked, "It would be worth sending to the Chicago Exhibition to show "Uncle Sam", what men in Australia carry when on the "Wallaby." The late proprietor of the swag has been seen walking at the rate of four miles an hour with this monstrous 'bluey" up. Its weight is 185 lbs, fair lift for an ordinary man, at least I found it so. It is made up chiefly of articles, such an tents, blankets, bags clothes, straps, canvas water bag (which contained about two gallons of water), billy cans, rations, such as hams, potatoes, onions, etc., and various other articles too numerous to mention. The swag also contained the following;-1 old silver chain, 1 gindrat Geneva watch, NO. 49745, 1 Waltham, Mass., Hillside, AM. Co. watch, No. 54689, with two silver chains' attached, one being a long double link pattern.

The following description of the man has been supplied me by the police, About 45 years of age,' 5ft. 10 in. high, strong built, very dark complexion, black hair and whiskers, 'about 8 or 10 weeks' growth, dressed, in. dark trousers, brown faded sack coat, and light felt hat. Wears a white cap under the hat, Wears 2 rings on two fingers of the, right hand. And a handkerchief around the neck, fastened with a gold ring. besides Blucher boots, much worn. He is supposed to be a Greek or a Frenchman and has a peculiar shrug of the shoulders when in conversation

A Meadow Flat Scare,

Our little locality has been thrown into a state of intense excitement. through the appearance in the vicinity of the desperado who some time back engaged Sergeant Wright, of Sunny Corner, in sensational combat.

The said desperado, it is said, paid visits to the camps of several labourers, and also honoured Mr. James Baker with his attentions, leaving the house minus all eatables. On Friday last, while searching the paddock for a horse, young Baker stumbled across him and engaged him in conversation. Baker then made for home, and galloped into Sunny Corner for the police, while his father and two brothers went in search of the unwelcome visitor. They found him planted under a log, but as he was armed with a revolver they thought discretion the better part of valour and refrained from attempting a capture. He got up and made off after pointing the revolver at them, and of course, when the police put in an appearance he was nowhere to be seen.

It is confidently expected that he will yet be captured, providing he does not die from senile decay. He is described as a tremendously powerful man, a Frenchman-but can talk English when it suits him. He is known by various sobriquets, the latest being. "Wallaroo Toby."

Buy the way, it may not be out of place to relate how he came by the last title. It appears that a party of volunteers from Meadow Flat, under the leadership of a limb of the law, went in search of him a few days back. They had spread out into extended formation when suddenly a

whistle from one of the party announced that the quarry had been sighted. A general rush of the whole body, except the constable. was made to the spot from whence the signal came when behold! the long-looked for was found perched on the top of a towering rock from which there appeared no hope of escape.
His head and shoulders were alone visible. A hurried consultation followed, Frenchy in the meantime looking on with undisturbed equanimity. One suggested that he should be shot, but no one seemed to relish the task. Another vaguely hinted at holding an inquest on him first and shooting him afterwards, in which case he thought the law would he powerless against the shooter. Various other wild propositions were quickly made and as quickly rejected. In the midst of' it all the constable put in an appearance and after closely scrutinising the figure, decided that it was not the right man. They were turning disconsolately away when a sudden movement of the object brought it into full view, when lo ! the erstwhile bushranger proved to be nothing but a hoary old man wallaroo. The feelings of that party of men may be better imagined than described. Hence "Wallaroo Toby".

[FROM " MERCURY" CORRESPONDENT.] 25-11-1893
Robberies at Palmer's Oakey.
"SLIPPERY JACK" AGAIN.

A correspondent informs us that the miners at Palmer's Oakey have been again made victims of a robber whose arrest appears to be beyond the power of the police. On Friday last the huts of four parties were looted, while the men, T. Murphy, Sam Duggan, the Ackwell Bros., and A. Morgan were away at work. The men left for their claims in the morning, and when they returned at the dinner hour they found that their dwellings had been stripped of food and clothing, not an article having been left. Traces of the robber were found going into the bush, but they could not be followed up very far, and it is concluded that the robberies were committed by the bushranger named "Slippery Jack," for whom the police have vainly been searching for sometime. The unfortunate miners had-to tramp a couple of miles to Mr. C. F. Frank's store before they could get any "tucker," as every ounce of the weeks' provisions which they had just previously obtained had been taken. From one of the huts, 5 ½ dwts. of gold and 15s in silver, which the owner was saving to pay his indebtedness at the store, were ,taken. The miners are wroth, our informant says, at the inability of the police to check the robberies and arrest the thief, and they talk about forming a vigilance committee and taking the law into their own hands. On the morning of the robbery a man was seen about the central camp where the tools are sharpened, but as he was thought to be one of the diggers who had returned to sharpen his pick, no notice was taken of his movements. The loss is a large one to men who are working hard for a bare living, and strong efforts should be made to find and punish the robber.

20-02-1896
".Slippery Jack and The Police"
DISCOVERY OF HIS HAUNT.
LARGE- HAUL OF STOLEN GOODS.

Word was brought into town this morning of a sensational affair which occurred at Palmer's Oakey on Monday, arid which goes to show that a desperate character is still at large in that locality, and one who will not scruple to take life if occasion arises. ,
For two years or more residents at Palmer's Oakey and the vicinity have frequently been- robbed in a mysterious manner by a marauder who had taken up his residence in the mountains, but whose haunts up to the present time have not been discovered.

The bushranger has been frequently seen, but because of the difficulty experienced in catching him he has been called "Slippery Jack". He is a well-built man of exceptional strength, judging by the heavy loads he has at times taken from the digger's huts and other places. He times his visits to the huts in such a way as to give rise to the belief that he is constantly watching the movements of the men, and it is generally after they have been to the village and made their purchases that he visits their homes. The men, during the day are at their work, the huts being unprotected, and on their return at night time they occasionally find that their huts have been entered and stripped of every thing portable.. None of the residents are safe from the visits of the man, and at times the district has been in a state of considerable alarm. His visits to the sheep stations in the neighbourhood are also frequent, and by this means he keeps himself well supplied with meat. He is fleet of foot and whenever he has been followed he eludes his pursuers and is quickly hidden in the scrub and crags of the mountains. The country is so rough that it is impossible to ride any distance, and it is so wild that to any but a good bushman it is dangerous to leave the well-beaten track leading from the diggers' huts to the village, or the main road. Frequent attempts have been made to discover the lair of the bold and dangerous freebooter, but these have hitherto been unavailing, although occasionally spots have been found where he had evidently made temporary camps. His settlement, was, however, lately discovered, but the bird has escaped, and it is questionable if those who desire so much to see him safe in the custody of the law will have their wishes realised for some time.
On Friday last Mr. William Hutchinson, a settler living near Clear Creek, was out in the mountains in search of wattle bark, which he supplies to tanners. He was on top of a high precipice and while looking down his attention was attracted by smoke rising from a cavern below. He at first thought it was the remains of a bush fire, but having satisfied himself that such was not the case he clambered some distance down the side of the mountain. Thinking that he could obtain a better view from another point he again ascended the mountain on the other side, but here he lost sight of the object altogether. Returning to his first point he commenced to descend by a circuitous route until in a gulch at the foot of the mountains he came across a small patch of ground nicely cultivated. A 'mia.mia " had been built and covered with brushwood, making it appear from the heights as though a tree had been felled and was lying across another tree. The place could not be seen from any distance. After a hasty glance Mr Hutchinson saw sufficient to convince him that he had come upon the haunts of the much dreaded "Slippery Jack" and, concluding that he would be a dangerous man to meet single handed, he decided to retrace his steps unobserved. He retreated as quietly and as quickly as possible, and on his return home he sent a message to Sergeant Wright, of Sunny Corner, telling him of his discovery, and offering to meet him at a given spot and conduct him to the place.
Sergeant Wright communicated with Constable Bond, of Sofala, and on Monday the Sergeant with Constable Cromelin, also of Sunny Corner, and Constable Bond met at a given point. Mr. Hutchinson, with his son William, and two young men named McEvoy, who live in the district, accompanied the police on their expedition. The spot to which they directed their steps was a high peak in the mountains known as Eagle Hawks Nest about 10 miles from Palmers Oakey. They reached the spot from which Mr. Hutchinson first saw the smoke, and the party then cautiously descended the mountain, until close upon the camp, which was, fixed in a gulch between two high mountains, a tributary of Palmer's Oakey Creek and about 250 yards from the main road leading from Sunny Corner to Wattle Flat.
The spot is lonely and desolate in the extreme and no one would imagine that a human being could or would live there. Owing to the thick undergrowth and brushwood the party were enabled to get close upon the camp before they were observed. They there saw their man who was in his shirtsleeves, and was working in his garden. Mr. Hutchinson and his company went into ambush while the police went forward, the man being evidently greatly surprised to see visitors The police first asked him if he had seen any cattle, and in an agitated tone he replied that he had, and pointed first in one direction, and then in the opposite, saying that they were there. He suddenly, however, left the spot and ran into his hut, returning almost immediately armed with a gun. Hurriedly removing it from

its case he took aim, at the police, at the time remarking, "This is the kind of cattle you want." He then pulled the trigger, but apparently to his astonishment,' and certainly to the satisfaction of those at whom he had aimed, the weapon did not go off, He then quickly opened, the breach and noticing that It was unloaded, he dropped the gun and with some stones at his feet he begun a fierce fire at the police, who, taken by surprise, retired a few, paces. Taking advantage of their confusion the man sought shelter behind a tree, and from this point he continued to throw stones at his assailants. His aim being so good that the police had difficulty evading the missiles. The police ultimately determined to use their revolvers, and several shots were fired, some of the balls striking the tree behind which their man was sheltered. After this battle had continued for a time "Slippery Jack" took to his heels and before he could he could he covered with the revolvers he was out of range. He thus made good his escape and has not since been seen ; but that afternoon the hut of an old man named Dick Pither, a miner on the creek-was robbed of everything, the thief not even leaving the unfortunate miner sufficient for a meal, nor any clothes or blankets. It is presumed that the thief was no other than "Slippery Jack" as the means adopted were similar to those usually observed by him.

The police having lost their man, turned their attention to his gunyah or mia.mia. It was built of poles and brushwood, covered with bark, cut from the trees close by, and over the roof were thrown large quantities of broken boughs in order to completely conceal its where about. The garden only a small patch, was well cultivated and in it was growing tomatoes, pumpkins, potatoes and other vegetables. 'Jack " is evidently a good gardener, and believes in taking care of himself, but strange to say the tools with which he worked were found to be chiefly made of wood. Upon searching the place the police discovered a large quantity of goods of various kinds, such as articles of clothing, tents, household goods, watches and other things which have since been identified by miners and others as having been stolen from their huts. A quantity of mutton fat and some mutton was also found in the hut. The police took possession of these things and soon afterwards left the spot. Sergeant Wright subsequently reported the matter to head quarters and asked for additional police assistance.

Judging by appearances the man has been in his present quarters for about 12 months and was quite comfortable and secure from intrusion, as the camp was surrounded by rocks and could not be seen twenty yards away,

Sergeant Wright has since written to Mr Franks, storekeeper, of Palmer's Oakey, asking him to make the fact of the discovery as public as possible in order that the residents may be on their guard against a visit from the dreaded free-booter.

Those who have had any opportunity of seeing "Slippery Jack" lean to the belief that he is an "escapee from the New Caledonian French Convict Settlement." He is looked upon as a desperate man, who would not hesitate to take life should occasion arise. He is alone in his work of depredation and lives the life of a hermit. Naturally the whole of the residents of the neighbourhood are alarmed, and are prepared to do their part to assist in bringing him to justice.

24-02-1896

"SLIPPERY JACK AGAIN

HIS FURTHER DEPREDATIONS

Further accounts of the mountain desperado have come to hand and go to prove a how necessary it is that efforts should be made to capture him, otherwise fatal results will follow. The sensational facts disclosed in the Free. Press on Thursday last as to his escape from the police on Monday are borne out by all the parties concerned. The parties who accompanied the police were Mr. Aitcheson and son, and not Hutchinson, as stated. The police, after raiding big camp set fire to the structure, and it would seem that "Slippery Jack " has started out in search of a fresh supply of clothing, material and food. As stated on Thursday, he robbed an old digger on the creek on the Monday, while on the next day other tents were visited both on the Coolamigal and Turon rivers, and any thing portable was removed. Next day Mr. Thompson's "Warrie" sheep station was visited. A pair of boots were taken during the night and on the following evening the manager (Mr McNamarra) found that his house and barn entered and the drawers ransacked. Mr. McNamarra with his wife and family had tea in the kitchen where they remained until after dark. When they went into the house, which is close by, they found things strewn about in every direction. The unknown visitors had evidently been disturbed, as the only articles missed were some sheets and pieces of calico. No one had heard any noise and the thief must have acted cautiously and watched his opportunity, On the Thursday Mr. McNamara was out on the run after sheep, He had visited a wild desolate portion of the run and when rounding a sharp turn in the mountain he suddenly came upon a swagman. The man started with surprise as Mr. McNamara came upon him. He was carrying a bag containing clothing of some description, while across his back was strapped a pair of blankets, his arms being passed through the straps in such a way as to give him free use of his hands He is a strong man, but appeared he had undergone hardships. His clothes were in rags, and his boots, which were worn and torn in shreds, were tied up with pieces of string and leather. The man presented a miserable, dejected appearance, and his eyes were so restless that he could not fix them on any object. When asked by Mr. McNamara what he was doing in such a desolate place his, only reply was" Gold digging." Mr. McNamara asked him about sheep, but his reply was more by action than by words, as he moved restlessly to and fro. He had a foreign accent, and Mr.. McNamara thought him either a Frenchman or Spaniard. Having satisfied himself that the stranger was the man the police were in search of Mr. McNamara left him, and after his return home sent a messenger to the police. His description tallies exactly with that of the police and the civilians that saw him on Monday. The police came to "Warrie" on the Friday and since then have been scouring the bush, but had not come across him up to last night. Mr Mc Namarra did not see any gun in his possession and does not think he is quite as desperate a looking man as at first described, although he has no hesitation in believing that if in a corner he would not hesitate to commit murder in order to escape. Nothing more was heard of this man until yesterday when he was seen during the morning by Mr Sinclair near Clear Creek. During the afternoon he was again seen by another member of the Sinclair family and a companion. He was then camped near the creek and apparently settling down for the night. The distance between Warrie and this spot is about 25 miles, and the fact of his being found such a distance from his haunts goes to prove what a circle is embraced by him in his depredation's.

Rumor was busy in town to-day of his arrest by two civilians at Clear Creek, but the report lacks confirmation.

14-03-1896

District Intelligence..

LITHGOW. '(Mercury.)

THE HUNT AFTER "SLIPPERY JACK."

Sargeant Atkinson returned here on Saturday after a very rough four days trip in search of the notorious "Slippery.", The Sergeant left Lithgow on Wednesday, the 4th inst., and, picking up Constable Scott at Rydal, travelled direct to Sunny Corner, where four or five other officers were assembled.. Wednesday night was spent at Sunny Corner, and on Thursday morning the force started out in three parties, Sergeant Atkinson and Constable Scott being one, while the others went towards Palmers Oakey and Limekilns. Sergeant Atkinson and Constable Scott made first for Warrie Station, owned by Mr. Thompson, Bathurst, No trace was found here, and the two officers next travelled to the Turon River. Here they were told that two diggers had been robbed early on the previous morning, of all their provisions about 1 cwt. Tracks were found leading from one of the diggers' huts for a short distance up the Crown mountain, but were soon lost owing to a flock of sheep having grazed over that part during the same day. Further search was made the same (Thursday) evening on the Crown Mountain until darkness overtook the police. Next they travelled to the telegraph station at Capertee, which was reached just before 8 p.m. The officers slept at Capertee hotel that night and made an early start on Friday morning. The search was continued through the day on the Crown Mountain, along the deep ravines adjacent, and up the Williewa Creek, but without picking up any trace of the fugitive. The country here is exceedingly

rough and the officers had, a very hard day of it. On Friday night they camped at Warrie station, and on Saturday Morning made an early start, accompanied by Mr. Denis Macnamara, station manager.

Up to this morning, anyhow, nothing further was heard here respecting “Slippery Jack." It is said that quite an army of policemen-some say 15, others 18 are on the hunt for this eccentric semi-bushranger. If he is located anywhere between earth and heaven this force ought to be sufficient for his capture.

14-03-1896

Thc Flaneur " in the Mudgee Guardian, says, That the beautiful town of Bathurst appears to have lost a deal of its prestige since “Peggy " and I left off being born there, and allowed it to take care of itself. It was a real live town in those days, and amongst other exciting pleasures it used to be occasionally visited by a gang of bushrangers, who would sweep through the place like wolves on a fold, or niggers on a hen-roost, annexing any unconsidered trifles that were handy, and causing the local papers to come out with fierce leaders, indignantly asking, “Where were the police? "

The police were all right, for, as a rule, they were plucky enough to face any danger, and they duly accounted for some of-the bushrangers whenever they got a fair chance; but everyone seems to have gone back on Bathurst of late-except the ever-blooming John Meagher, and now we find the grand old highwaymen of old represented by a tent-plundering duffer known as “Slippery Jack," who lives in a sheet of bark fortress near Peel, and makes raids on huts and poultry-yards around. The Bathurst police have apparently fallen off sadly, too for we read that while making an attack on "Slippery Jack's" citadel the other day' that blood-thirsty bandit drove the beseigers off by pointing an-unloaded gun at them and then encouraging them to retreat by shying stones at them. The Police fired occasionally, luckily without shooting themselves but they were ultimately “routed with---great slaughter”, and then-the ferocious Count de Clear Creek robbed a digger’s tent, and held high revel by himself in his mountain fastness. Apparently there is nothing left .now but to call out the military and send a, few. cannons along to capture, this bold, bad 19th century baron who pelts stones, and “windmill'!, his fingers, in the very face of the Goddess of Justice herself.

(We would inform “Flaneut” that on the occasion referred to the Bathurst police were not on the scene. Ed. B.F.P.)

16-03-1896

"Slippery Jack”

This notorious character in still at large, notwithstanding the fact that a posse of police have been scouring the country in search of him. He appears to be still about his old haunts and is dodging the police. In country such as this the game of hide and seek is easily carried out successfully. The mountain gorges are so numerous and steep, and the country so thickly covered with bush that any one can easily hide himself, even when in close proximity to the searchers, “Slippery Jack" is so well acquainted with the haunts that he can easily keep out of the way of his pursuers. He is evidently aware that the police are on his track, and does not rest in one place for any length of time. On Thursday last Mr. Atchison and two of his sons were out in the ranges near their own home, and were attracted to a spur, from which smoke was rising. The party looked carefully, and saw “Slippery Jack" sitting by his fire boiling his billy. He remained there about a quarter of a hour, and then put out his fire and cleared away.

It will be remembered that it was Mr. Aitcheson who first directed the, police to the man's haunts about a month ago, so that there is no doubt as to his identifying the man again. They did not do anything towards securing him on Thursday, as they were not sure how far they would be justified in acting, seeing that no warrant has been issued for his arrest, and he has not been outlawed by the authorities. “Slippery Jack" is still evidently sustaining life by robbing diggers tents, as complaints have been made of robberies, One strange thing about these robberies is that the tents and all they hold are taken, the diggers being left without either food or shelter.

21-03-1896

More about “Slippery Jack”

To the EDITOR.

Sir,-There has been a lot of writing, about the notorious “Slippery Jack," and Sergeant Wright and his men have got little or no credit for their part in the last brush with “Slippery," when he was routed from his camp in a deep gully near Mount Horrible, some weeks ago. Now, sir, as I am in possession of the true facts of the case and have seen the place and positions taken up by both parties, I consider the police deserve great praise in facing such a dangerous character as “Slippery " undoubtedly is, armed with a double-barrelled breach-loading gun as against the police revolvers. Had I been in the same position as “Slippery" I would not only have defied three policemen, but could have got away from 50 men armed with revolvers such as the police are armed with. It is all very well for stay-at-homes to write and ask, “Why can’t the police catch this man ?" but I say, “Let these people take a week with Sergeant Wright padding the hoof' through the country ‘Slippery' haunts, as horses are almost useless in such country." I think after one week their tone would change from wondering why the police don't catch “Slippery " to wondering how any white man could stand the strain week after week and year after year as the police have been after this notorious marauder for three years. There are now two black trackers on the war-path with the police, so it is hoped that some clue will shortly be got that will lead to the capture of this offender. In conclusion, I would advise correspondents, before sending their reports for publication, to try and get the true facts of the case and give credit where credit Is due.-Yours, etc., SUNNY CORNER.

23-05-1896

SLIPPERY.JACK,

FOUND IN A CAVE.

SHOT WHILE ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE.

The particulars as to the arrest of “Slippery Jack” are limited, but from what we can gather he has been continuing his old tricks of stealing. Very recently some sheep were stolen from a station near Capertee. The owner reported his loss to the Capertee police, whose suspicions at once rested on this marauder. Constable Preston, of Ilford, in company with Sergeant Wright and another police officer from Sunny Corner, accompanied by two black trackers, made another attempt to secure his arrest and on this occasion they have been successful. They came upon his tracks, which they followed up closely and on Thursday came across their man hiding in a cave in dense scrub amongst the wildest portion of the mountain ranges. The wildness of the locality is such as no human being would think of traversing, and if the police were not good bushmen and expert riders they must certainly have come to grief. They came upon the cave suddenly, and their visit was not expected, otherwise the occupant, true to his name, would have given his pursuers the slip. When he saw the police he made a desperate attempt to escape and in his haste he was unable to secure any weapon of defence. He was called on two or three times to surrender, but refused and did his utmost to get under cover of some trees or rocks. The police were determined, however, not to allow another opportunity to pass, and seeing that the only course open to them was to maim the fugitive a shot was fired. The aim was true and the bullet lodged in his thigh. Even after he was struck he attempted to escape but he was ultimately overtaken by the pursuing party.

The man struggled violently after the police came up to him and proved his great strength. Considerable force had to be used before he was ultimately secured, and after his captors had succeeded thus far it was found that the man could not walk owing to the injury to his thigh. The party were more than two miles from any habitation, and the country was so mountainous and rough that it was impossible to bring any conveyance to the spot. The only course open was to carry the man as best they could until a vehicle was procured. He was then driven to Capertee and subsequently conveyed by train to Wallerawang where a medical man was called In and his Injuries examined We

have not heard whether the bullet has yet been extracted, but it is probable that when that is done, .or after he is in a condition to travel he will be brought to Bathurst._

The Residents in the district which have been infested by this desperado for so long, will receive the intelligence of his arrest with pleasure. They will be easier in their minds when travelling along through the lonely spots in the mountains. Several months ago-Sergeant Wright succeeded in arresting him on some charge for which he is wanted. He met him in one of the mountain, gorges, and sought single-handed to secure him, but the man was too smart for him, and escaped. During the struggle between the men the Sergeant was very severely handled, and. narrowly escaped with his life. Subsequent to this a warrant was issued for his arrest for, his treatment of the police. That warrant is still in force, and upon, this the present arrest, was effected.

A telegram appearing in one of the Sydney dailies, states that, "Slippery Jack" is supposed to be an Italian escapee from New Caledonia who escaped five years ago in a boat. The mark of the leg irons can be seen on his legs.

THE ARREST OF SLIPPERY JACK.
THE PURSUIT AND CAPTURE.
A DESPERATE OUTLAW.

WALLERAWANG, Saturday.- The arrival of the notorious "Slippery Jack in the custody of the police officers Wright and Preston, of Sunny Corner, caused considerable excitement in town last night. The police, who have been scouring the mountains for some months past, yesterday came on traces of a freshly killed sheep near Capertee, and following up the clue were soon at the fugitive's camp. On being called on to surrender "Slippery Jack," who was at breakfast, made a bold attempt to escape by jumping over a 15ft. precipice, but a bullet from Constable Preston's revolver took effect in the thigh**,** and after a desperate struggle he was secured. He was brought last night to the Wallerawang lockup and the bullet extracted by Dr. Asher of Lithgow.

This morning be was charged before Mr. Bulkeley, J.P with attempting to discharge firearms, at Sergeant Wright, of the Sunny Corner Police in April, 1893, with a view to prevent his lawful apprehension, and on the application of the same officer was remanded for medical treatment till the 30th inst. The accused is a Spaniard, and can only speak a few words of English. On being addressed by Mr. Cox, a railway officer, in his native tongue, he became quite demonstrative, and imparted the information that about four years ago he escaped in company with five others from New Caledonia, and the marks of leg irons on his ankles leave no doubt of his, being an escapee. He is of medium stature, of very powerful build, and though naturally presenting an unkempt appearance, is by no means repulsive. He was forwarded to-day to the Bathurst Hospital for treatment.

BATHURST Saturday.-"Slippery Jack" was brought to Bathurst by train from Wallerawang this afternoon. He was brought on a stretcher placed in the guard's van, and was apparently not suffering much pain, but his look was wild and restless. The police have undergone great hardships while following their prisoner through the ranges. Sergeant Wright and Constable M'Conville of Sunny Corner, Constables Kearns (Rylstone), and Preston, of Ilford, with two black trackers, "Hughey" and Fred King, started in pursuit on Monday last. The country was so wild and mountainous that they found it impossible to take their horses, and were compelled to walk, taking with them only a small quantity of food, and obtaining fresh supplies whenever practicable from settlers. Nights were spent under rocks, their only covering being their over coats and macintoshes. Word was received on Monday by the police that some skins had been found secreted in a log in the Capertee Mountains, near what is known as Jenola Mountain, six miles from Capertee. No fresh discovery was made, but about 10 o'clock they were passing down a precipitous mountain when suddenly their man came in view, having emerged from a cave which, till then, was hidden by undergrowth, bush, and rocks. Constable Preston was within ten yards of the man, and the others were at short distances apart. He called on him to stand, but he refused to comply with the demand, and was hastening towards a deep gorge when Preston fired the ball taking effect in his thigh. He fell forward, but sprang to his feet. He attempted to escape but was secured after a desperate struggle "Jack,' has a hole in the lobe of his ear caused by Sergeant Wright when attempting to arrest him three years ago. On that occasion Wright, while investigating a charge of robbery, met "Jack" on Mount Horrible. He was armed with a revolver, and took aim at Wright. The weapon snicked twice, but fortunately missed fire, and Wright in self-defence fired a bullet, which passed through his ear. He fell apparently stunned, and Wright rushed forward to arrest him, but his prisoner recovering suddenly, seized a stone, and struck Wright on the forehead, leaving a mark, which is still visible. He then escaped into the bush, and was followed for several miles

He gives his name as Jean Lefung, a native of North Spain, aged 50 years. Lefung does not appear much distressed at his capture. Since his arrest he has made efforts to secure means of destroying himself. When able to appear at the court several charges of housebreaking will be preferred against him, in addition to that by Sergeant Wright.

SLIPPERY JACK.
CAPTURED NEAR CAPERTEE

CAPERTEE. Friday.-The notorious "Slippery Jack," who is alleged to be a French escapee from New Caledonia, was captured to-day four miles from Capertee, among the mountain vastnesses. He was shot in the leg before being taken by Constable Preston. He has been conveyed to Lithgow for medical treatment. It is alleged against "Slippery Jack" that he has been carrying on a systematic scheme of robberies, and has evaded capture by, the police for the last two years. On the present occasion he jumped over a precipice 16ft. high after being shot, and was only then taken. Sergeant Wright, superintended the police operations in a very capable manner.

LITHGOW, Friday.-To-day it was reported here that "Slippery Jack" has been captured near Capertee. His capture was effected by constable Preston. The fugitive it appears, was wounded in the encounter, as a doctor was telegraphed for here this afternoon to proceed to Wallerawang and extract a bullet from his thigh. The affair has caused great interest, as "Slippery Jack" has been so long pursued by the police.

BATHURST, Friday.-The prisoner "Slippery Jack" will be brought on to Bathurst for trial.
We are pleased to learn that the Police Department has with commendable promptitude promoted Constable Preston, of Illford, a grade, for his success in capturing the bush marauder, Jean Lefung.

Slippery Jack is captured

Let the glad tidings be wafted to the four corners of the earth, and let all right-thinking people applaud! For regular 2 o'clock in the morning, daredevil courage there has been nothing like this heroic capture since an army of Victorian police with mountain howitzers and. a siege train and other things battered the Kelly gang.
Slippery Jack was shot by a constable, while he (Jack, not the policeman), was running away. Slippery Jack was known to be a most blood-curdling desperado, actually suspected of stealing legs of mutton, besides which he had kept the inhabitants (chiefly miners!) about Sunny Corner and other places in a state of terror "by his alleged pilferings and repulsive appearance."

A man with a repulsive appearance deserves to be shot on sight anyway. Jack is shot, anyway, and the great heart of Sunny Corner-which Sunny Corner seems to have worn in its boots--beats placidly again. All that now remain is to decorate the policeman for valour and straight shooting and to hand Jack for being ugly.

25-05-1896
“SLIPPERY JACK”
FURTHER. PARTICULARS OF ARREST.
HIS PAST CAREER.
ARRIVAL IN BATHURST.

The notorious “Slippery Jack " is now an inmate of the Bathurst gaol, and when the rumor was noised abroad that he was to arrive in Bathurst on Saturday afternoon a crowd of people curious to see the man who has been so successful in eluding the police were on the station. The man arrived in the paper train, reaching Bathurst at about 3 o'clock, and as the train came to the halt the luggage van became the centre of attraction. When the door was opened a young man wearing a pair of handcuff stepped on to the platform with a light step. He was accompanied by a police officer, and quickly the question passed round, “Is that Slippery ?". Many who had expected to see quite a different type of man showed their disappointment, and the prisoner appeared to appreciate the attention that was being bestowed upon him. Very quickly, however, the attention of the crowd was diverted and turned in another direction, for there, lying on a stretcher on the floor of the van was a man, and by his side stood two police officers. Sergeant Mc Donnell was on the platform awaiting the arrival of the train, and without loss of time the stretcher was raised and carried to "Black Maria," which was in the dock. “Jack” was roughly and untidily dressed, and wore a braided smoking cap, which gave evidence of long and rough usage. As he was brought from the van he glanced quickly from side to side in a restless, anxious manner, seemingly desirous of knowing what next was to be done with him. He appeared ill at ease, and made one or two remarks which were altogether unintelligible. Judging by the man as he lay on the stretcher he is a strong, wiry, powerful fellow, of strong determination, caution, add cunning. As he was carried to the van the crowd gathered round to catch a sight of him. Being unable to move himself the police were compelled to lift him bodily, keeping him in the meantime wrapped in blanket, and being careful not to hurt him more than was necessary. He was lifted into the van, Sergeant Wright and another policeman occupying the same compartment. He was then driven to the gaol, and handed over to the safe custody of the warders. He will remain in the gaol hospital until sufficiently recovered to be brought before the court.

Since the last exciting event regarding “Slippery Jack," as recorded in the Free Press of February last, when he was routed from his lair in the mountains near Limekilns he has been, heard of occasionally. The police have been out almost continually since, but have been unable to run him to earth. They could hear of him one day, but before reaching the spot indicated he would be miles away, his fleetness of foot and knowledge of the country being such that it was scarcely ever necessary for him to make use of roads, and his keenness of sight so aided him that he always evaded his pursuers. His visits to the settlers and diggers were made periodically so that his store of food was kept up, and having several haunts in different directions he was able to so arrange matters that when one spot became too warm for him he was able to go to another without the trouble of removing his belongings. During the whole of this time the police have been patrolling the district the greater portion of the, time on foot owing to the rough nature of the country through which they have had to pass. On the 20th instant, a report was lodged of a further robbery, and while looking for the culprit the police came upon some skins secreted in the Capertee mountains, near to what to known as the Jenolan mountains, lying between Cocoa Creek and Capertee, six miles from Capertee, and 30 miles from Sunny Corner. Information of the discovery was sent to Sergeant Wright, of Sunny Corner, who immediately proceeded to the spot, having with him Constable Mc Convil, and two black trackers "Hughey" of Dubbo, and Fred King, two of the best trackers in the force. They were met at Capertee by Countable Kearns, of Rylstone, and Constable Preston, of Ilford. The arrangements were under the control of Sergeant Wright, who has an intimate knowledge of the country, besides being an expert bush man. Indications well known to the Sergeant went to prove that the man who had been eluding arrest for so long was in close proximity, but knowing their mark so well the police were fully aware that the utmost caution in the search could be necessary. The undergrowth and scrub is so dense that a man could be in hiding a yard from his pursuer, and yet not be seen. The place also abounds in rocks and precipices and the greatest possible care is needed to retain foothold was so that anything like hasty movement is altogether out of the question.

The sides of the mountain at this spot are almost perpendicular and there, is but one gorge through which any escape could be made. It was towards this that the party made in order to cut off retreat of their man.

Positions were taken up so that in ease anything was found the whole force of the band would be immediately available. In this way progress was made for two or three days. The men camped at night under the rocks covered only by their overcoats and macintoshes. They carried their provisions with them, but were afraid to light a fire less they should attract attention of the man upon whom they hoped to spring. An early start was made on Friday and about 10 o'clock in the morning, while the party were moving along with caution a stone became dislodged on the side of the mountain and it rolled over a precipice. The noise thus made was effective in the discovery of the man for almost in on instant Jack was seen to emerge from a cave, which to that moment was unknown to the searchers. The cave is in the side of the mountain-entirely hidden by rocks and bushes and, would have been passed unobserved. The instant, “Jack” saw that, his haunt had been discovered he sought to escape, and like a deer, bounded away. The police were close behind him however, and called on him to stand, but he took no notice. Constable Preston was within about 10 yards of him, and seeing that the delay of another instant meant the escape of the desperado, he fired at “Jack” who was then near the summit of the precipice about 20 feet deep, towards which he was making. Preston’s aim was true, and the bullet took effect resting in the fleshy part of the thigh. Jack fell, but, in an instant was on his feet again and with a cry of pain and wrath. bounded off. At that moment one of the trackers, who had been slightly in advance of the others, rushed, out from behind a rock and secured the man. The other members of the party were soon on the spot and Jack was made safe, although this was not done without some severe struggling. It was quite clear that unless their bird had been maimed those seeking to arrest him would have had the most difficult task. He appeared to have the strength and determination of a wild beast. Fortunately the attack was so sudden that Jack had not the opportunity of securing his gun or any other weapon of defence, otherwise his captors would undoubtedly have to face greater dangers. He is altogether indifferent as to the value of the life of his fellow creatures and in his desperation would have shot a man like a dog. Jack having been secured the question arose how was he to be taken to a place where his wounds might be dressed.

The country is so rough it was impossible to bring a vehicle, or horse within three miles of the spot, and the police were compelled to carry their man that distance, glad enough to have scoured him. Having bound up his wounds they carried him to Mr. Gallagher's place, about three miles distant. Mr. Gallagher is a grazier and readily rendered all assistance in his power. He volunteered to drive the police and the injured man into Capertee and the offer was accepted. Sergeant Wright and “Jack " were then driven to the station. The sergeant wired to Wallerawang for medical aid and took the first train from Capertee. . Dr. Ascher of Lithgow met the sergeant at Wallerawang and succeeded in extracting the bullet, which was embedded in the flesh about two inches.

Is appears as though it had touched the bone and it was flattened on one side. During Friday “Jack " suffered intensely, but appeared greatly relieved after the removal of the bullet. He was lodged in the lock up that night and next day brought before the Bench at Wallerawang.

He was charged with having attempted to discharge firearms at Sergeant Wright with intent to resist lawful apprehension on 9tb April, 1893. Dr. Ascher recommended his removal to the gaol hospital at Bathurst and a remand was accordingly granted until next Saturday. Is in not probable that he will be then able to appear at court but he will be remanded from time to time until his wound is quite healed. In the meantime he will receive better attention than, he has been accustomed to for the past few years.

After the arrest of their man the police inspected the cave, which proves a splendid hiding place for anyone seeking to evade notice or detection. In one of the wildest portions of the mountain ranges the mouth of the cave in almost covered by brushwood and rocks. So wild is the country that persons who have lived in the vicinity, within three miles of the spot, for many years, have never cared to visit it. Doubtless after the occurrences of the past week, curiosity will prompt them to make some investigations. The police found on entering the cave that "Jack " had stored sway provisions sufficient for him for two mouths. Everything of a substantial nature was there, having been stolen from settlers for many miles round. The cool action of the man in entering a person's place was never surpassed, and his strength was such that he would carry away with him after one, visit sufficient to last a week.

While at the Wallerawang station awaiting the arrival of the train on Saturday Jack interested himself in watching the movements of those around him. One of the employees was able to speak Spanish, and when he addressed the prisoner in his native tongue a look of delight and surprise penned over his countenance. The man spent what time he could in talking to the prisoner and from the conversation it was gathered that his name is Jean Lefung, a native of the North of Spain. He was a prisoner at New Caledonia, but about five years ago he escaped. He landed at Brisbane, and made his way to Toowomba, and thence to Bourke, working on the stations when he could obtain employment.

About two years were spent in this way, after which he made his way down the river on steamers, and ultimately located himself in the mountain ranges, where he has lived ever since. He appeared pleased to be able to again talk freely in his own tongue, and looked regretfully after the man when ever called away by duty. His life during the past year has been rough in the extreme, he having been hunted from place to place, daring not to live near any civilisation, lest his identity should be discovered. To those who watched him as he spoke to his Spanish friend on Saturday it was apparent that it was not with remorse that he now gave up this life. Whether the close confinement within a narrow cell will be congenial to him remains to be seen, but the novelty of this entire change, will doubtless soon wear off, and he will not hesitate to again make his escape should opportunity offer. Within the past three years he has aged considerably. When Sergeant Wright first met him three years ago there was no sign of grey hairs, but now even his whiskers show signs of age. He gives his age as 54 years. He is apparently a man of fair intelligence.

The first encounter Sergeant Wright had with this man is worthy of repetition, being one of exciting interest. In April 1893, a report reached Sunny Corner that the hut of a digger named Gant had been robbed, and, amongst other things stolen was a loaded revolver. Sergeant Wright went in pursuit of the robber, but was warned that the revolver was loaded in five chambers. When in one of the loneliest spots on Mount Horrible, about fifteen miles from the spot where the robbery had taken place, he met a stranger, whom he accosted. Conversation took place about the robbery, and in an instant, before Wright was aware of it, the man, who turned out to be "Slippery Jack," took out a revolver, and pointed it at him twice the weapon snicked, but fortunately missed fire, Wright then thought it was time be defend himself, and he then, in his turn,, fired at his assailant. So close was the bullet from the Sergeant's rifle to the man's skull that it passed through the outer portion of the ear. The shock for a moment stunned the man, and he staggered back and fell. Wright rushed upon him, and sought to secure him but Jack was too smart and springing back he threw a stone with considerable force, striking Wright in the forehead. Wright was stunned for an instant, but he soon recovered, and a chase ensued. His man escaped into the darkness and Wright never again saw him until the episode last February. Wright still carries the mark on his forehead made by the blow with the stone. "Jack" has good cause to remember it too, for the hole made in his ear by the bullet can easily be seen. When talking at the Wallerawang Station on Saturday he said he recognised Sergeant Wright as the man who had shot him. During the past three years "Jack " has been system of robbery and depredations, and altogether fifteen different charges have been preferred against him from time to time. He was the terror of the mountain range. Men as well as women dreaded to hear of him being near their houses and no one was safe from him. It was well known that he did not valve human life and the fear was that murder would be added to the list of crimes laid against him.

Amongst the varied and numerous articles discovered by the police both in the haunt from which "Jack" was disturbed in February last, and again in his cave on Saturday last, the majority of things stolen by him were found and these doubtless will a identified .by the owners and returned to them.

The police have been constantly on the lookout for their man, but without success. They have undergone considerable hardships and privations while prosecuting their search. Many people have been inclined to blame them for laxity and carelessness in not running this desperado to earth before, but when the nature of the country through which they passed is known the judgement of the people will not be so severe. A man acquainted with the country, as this man appears to have been could easily elude arrest, and it in not a matter for astonishment that he has been at large so long. From the position of affairs when arrested it would seem as though the man had been, hunted from the Sunny Corner district and was making his way to the Bulga mountains, from whence he could make across to Newcastle and Maitland.

Too much praise cannot be given to Sergeant Wright and those who have worked with him throughout the whole of this time for having rid the district of a dangerous desperado.

06-06-1896

Slippery Jack's Goods and Chattels.

A HUGE INVENTORY.

Mr. A. Everitt, of Lithgow, says the Mercury, who has been up to Sunny Corner within the last day or two, was, through the courtesy of Sergeant Wright, enabled to have a look at "Slippery Jack's" effects, now at the Corner police station. The inventory of these, which Mr. Everitt has kindly handed us, is positively staggering in its dimensions. The goods were taken from three camps; here is the list,

One bag of flour (about 50lb), one bag of sugar and one of flour, another 50lb. bag of flour, and bag with tea and sugar, another 50lb. bag of flour, one bundle of tobacco leaf, a bundle of clothing, flannels, shirts, etc., two wallaby skins; one bag containing flour, tea, two billies, frying pan, damper, coat, boots, straps, candle, cotton, goloshes and cotton, file, knife, soap, two pint pannikins, and two pairs miners' pants, one package of clothing, another 50lb bag of flour; a bag containing part of blanket, three water bags, a tucker bag, tobacco leaf rolled, straps, files, spoons, rat-trap, felt cap, hand-bag, shoemaker's awl, more straps, a frying pan, dishes and pannikins, two billy-cans ; and some spoons and a sheath-knife; a caddy containing pipes, an awl, knife, buttons, nails and boot protectors, two pairs boots patched with nails and leather in a peculiar fashion, three billy-cans, pipe. "twitch", a bag containing billy can, parcel of mutton, cut in small pieces, a bag of sugar, needles, cotton and sundries, pan of fat, old hat, socks, damper, another tin of fat, a sheath knife and two table knives; a bag containing sugar, pumpkin seed, bag of flour and parcel of tea, hair brush, two pint pots, bag of nails, scissors, rocksalt, copy of Black and White illustrated paper, several bags of cooked mutton cut in small pieces, another bag of blankets and four bags sewn together to form a bed ; two shoulder bands for carrying swags ; one parcel containing bag of tea, oil-cloth, rags, singlet, socks

and handkerchief ; a parcel with cord, shirt (patched with flour bag), trousers, black coat, another coat lined with flour bags, shirt, trousers, bag of tin tacks, purse, pants two shirts, and looking-glass, fish hooks, leather bag ; bag containing cotton, cord. etc.; gloves and double barrelled gun, revolver, knife, l adies' companiun, cartridge belt, Waltham hunting watch (No. 2434099), another Waltham hunter (1713446), a Geneva hunter (49745) all with nickle alberts attached ; a parcel with cotton, scissors, needles, safety pins, matches, matches, papers, beads with cross, silver-mounted pipe in case, one block pipe and leather strap. This strange assortment pretty well fills a compartment at the police station, and is altogether, a unique spectacle.

23-07-1896
Slippery Jack.
HIS APPEARANCE IN COURT.
CHARGE OF SHOOTING.

When it became known that the notorious "Slippery Jack " was to be brought before the court this morning the space set apart for the convenience of the public was crowded. The Bench was occupied by the Police. Magistrate and Mr. E.T. Webb J.P., and at 10 o'clock the captured bushranger was placed in the dock.

"Slippery Jack " appeared to have beneficed by his stay and treatment in gaol and had a less haggard and worried look, than when first taken there. He appeared of an excitable disposition, seemed anxious to communicate something and to understand what those in court said to him, but his efforts to a great extent were futile. Mr.Varangolo was in court and said he could interpret the evidence. He held converse with prisoner but the result was not satisfactory. The prisoner made himself understood so far as to give his name. He said his name was not Le Fang but Le Rossa ; that his age was 65 and that he was a builder by trade.

The first charge preferred again him was that at Mount Horrible, Palmers Oakey, he did maliciously attempt to discharge a loaded firearm, to wit, a six chambered revolver, with intent to resist and prevent his lawful apprehension at Sergeant Thomas George Wright, then in the execution of his duty.

Constable Preston, of Illford, deposed;- On 22nd May last in company with Sergeant Wright and other police we were searching for prisoner's camp amongst the mountains; about 10 o'clock in the morning, in company wish black tracker Hughey, I was going down the Jenolan Mountain near Capertee and saw smoke rising from a cave 30 yards away ; went towards the spot, and when within 10 yards of the place I slipped on a stone ; prisoner ran out of a cave ; I called on him in the Queen's name to stand ; I could not get down to prisoner from where I was standing as I was on a perpendicular rock twenty feet deep ; when I turned to get down prisoner started to ran down the gully ; I called on him four times to stand ; he was making for a bluff of rocks, and fearing he would get away I fired at him with the revolver I had with me the shot struck him in the thigh and he fell, he immediately got up and started to run away ; I then slid down the rock and ran after him ; when about ten yards from him he turned and held up his hands; I then walked up to him and arrested him by virtue of a warrant charging him with discharging loaded firearms at Sergeant Wright in order to evade legal arrest ; he made no reply; asked his name, and in broken English he said "Jim," he said his was a Spaniard; in company with Sergeant Wright, I took him to Wallerawang, where he received medical attendance; this morning I read the warrant to him, but he made no reply. The evidence was read over to prisoner and in reply he, said to the Bench, "Me no understand. The interpreter sought to explain the position to him, but he still seemed incapable of grasping it. Varangolo said he could interpret the evidence, and he was then sworn as interpreter.

Sergeant Wright, of Sunny Corner, deposed : I said the information in this case and prisoner is the person therein alluded to ; on 6th April, 1803, a complaint was made to me of a robbery ; I made enquires and while searching came across a camp where prisoner had been, in which there was a tin which was subsequently identified by the person who had lodged the complaint ; on the following day I went in search of prisoner and at about dusk I saw smoke rising from behind a bush on Mount Horrible ; I went towards it and there saw prisoner, who jumped up ; he at once put his hand under his coat and pulled out a revolver; he said "You policeman, you go away, I shoot;' I was not then in uniform; I told him to put his revolver down as I wanted to have a talk to him ; he said, "No, you go away, I'll shoot;" he then got behind a tree and I tried to get into conversation with him to get him to put the revolver down; he would not do this and I told him I was a policeman and wanted him, I was then fifteen or twenty yards from him, and pulled out my revolver and asked him again to put his revolver down ; he said, "You come on, you policeman, me fight ;" he then took aim at me from behind the tree, but his revolver snicked ; I then fired my revolver at him to frighten him; he returned the fire, but a second time his revolver snicked, I fired at him the second time, and believe I hit him, and he made a faint back ; I then made a rush to arrest him, but an I did so he threw a stone at me, and struck me on the forehead, cutting me above the eye ; I fell down, and prisoner ran down the mountain ; I followed him, but lost him in the mountains ; this was about half-past 7 o'clock in the evening, and it was twilight;

I returned to where I had first seen him, and got his swag, which I took to Sunny Corner; on searching it I found a portion of the property which had been described by the person who laid a complaint ; from that date until the 22nd May last I was continually in search of accused; I was present at Jenolan Mountain when he was arrested on 22nd May ; he was taken to Wallerawang and brought before the Court, and remanded to Bathurst ; the following depositions were taken before the Bench there:-

Thomas George Wright, deposed: I am a sergeant of Police, stationed at Sunny Corner; on the 22nd May, I in company with, Constables Preaton, Keans and Mc Conville, together with two trackers were in search of a person who has gone under the name of "Slippery Jack ' and for whom a warrant has been issued by the Sunny Corner Bench, on 8th April, 1893, for attempting to discharge a loaded firearm at me in order to prevent lawful arrest on Mt. Horrible ; the warrant is at present at Sunny Corner; I produce, A Police Gazette dated 19th April in which report appears ; about 10 p.m. on the.22nd instant the police came across the offender (who is now in custody) camped ; he was, called on to stand ; be, made away and attempted to escape; Constable Preston fired at him and the shot took effect ; he was then arrested under the charge, of which the warrant had been issued and was brought to the Wallerawang lockup where medical aid was procured and the bullet which had lodged in his right thigh was extracted-; I now ask for a remand to Bathurst gaol for seven days where he can receive medical advice and attention.

Prisoner was, accordingly remanded. Witness, in answer to the Bench : "It was sufficiently light for me to see the revolver in his band ; he pointed the revolver at me and pulled the trigger; I was within ten yards of him when he threw the stone". To Senior Sergeant Morris : On 17th February, 1896, I came across him in Palmer's Oakey Mountain ; I then attempted to arrest him but he got away from me ; I then searched his camp and found a double barrelled gun and revolver . neither were loaded the revolver in not the one he had with him on Mount Horrible ; in February when he got away the second time he had a double barrelled gun in his possession ; this he took away with him.

This evidence was also interpreted to prisoner, but he frequently called out in broken English " Me no understand." This was quite apparent to anyone watching his movements and hearing his ejaculations.

Robert Henry Gand, miner, deposed that he was in company with Sergeant Wright on Mount Horrible in April, 1893 ; when Sergeant Wright called on prisoner to surrender he walked behind a tree and, pointing a revolver at Wright, took aim and fired but the trigger snapped ; he aimed at him a second time ; Sergeant Wright fired at him twice, and after the second shot prisoner fell on his knee ; the Sergeant then rushed at him and he threw a stone at him ; the Sergeant fell back but I did not see any mark on his forehead afterwards ; prisoner then ran away down the mountain ; the Sergeant opened prisoner's swag and witness identified some of the contents as those stolen from my hut

previously ; witness had given information to the police about the robbery, and was accompanying the Sergeant in search of the thief ; his hut was twice broken into.

Mr. Webb retired from the case at this stage.

Another effort was here made to make prisoner understand the charge and in reply the interpreter told the court that he said be did not throw a stone at the Sergeant, but at the other man.

Prisoner was then committed to take his trial at the ensuing Court of Quarter Sessions to be held in Bathurst on 27th July instant.

BREAKING AND ENTERING.

Prisoner was then charged with breaking and entering the premises of 'Ezbon Ebon Pratt on the 3rd April, 1893, at Mitchell'sCreek and stealing there from tentfly, pan, woollen gloves, Jack knife, British bulldog revolver, and about 20 pieces of American coins, also a quantity of provisions.

Sergeant Wright disposed that after prisoner escaped from him he found his swag and in it discovered a tent fly, knife and pair of gloves which were identified by Pratt.

Prisoner made signs to see these things and when he saw them he said they were his but he did not steal them.

Ezbon Ebon Pratt deposed that on the 3rd April, 1893, his hut was broken into and all his possessions were stolen, also a revolver loaded in four chambers, a pair of gloves, a Jack knife, tent fly, and other things ; the gloves, fly, and knife he afterwards saw in the possession of the police

When the interpreter was trying to explain this evidence to prisoner he, with a significant shrug of his shoulders, gave vent to a volume of gibberish and finished up with saying in broken English, " What the use to talk to me ? I not understand. Only bother me." He evidently understood that the alleged offence was committed three years ago, and in an indignant end forcible way called out that he had not left France three years, and. Adding in a tone of disgust, ,"Bring me a Spaniard to talk to me and I talk to him."

The Police Magistrate said he would endeavour to have a Spaniard an interpreter at the trial, but it was not possible to have one today.

Prisoner was then committed for trial at the next Quarter Sessions.

A THIRD CHARGE

Prisoner was then charged with breaking and entering the dwelling house of Jude Kemp on the 25th December, 1895, and stealing there from one double barrelled breach loading gun, one cartridge belt, pair trousers, shirt and other clothing, also a quantity of provisions.

Prisoner appeared to realise that the further charge was being preferred against him, and said in broken English, as he pointed to Wright, "He would like to cut my throat." He also wanted to know how many years it was since the robbery was committed.

Sergeant Wright deposed : On the 27th February, while in search for prisoner I came across his gunyah in the mountains near Eagle Hawk mountain ; his gunyah was built of grass and. bark and between some high rocks ; he was about 70 yards away when I saw him first ; I came close to him ; he was standing at the door of the gunyah with a gun in his hand; I called out to him that I wanted to speak to him but he said " Go away, go away,' he opened the gun and having looked at it he put if to his shoulder and aimed; the gun did not go off and he dropped it and ran towards a cliff of rocks ; Constable Bond and I tried to cut him off but he got away behind some rooks; after a few minutes search I saw him crouched behind a tree with the gun aimed at us; I left Bond and tried to get round behind him. Constable Bond fired several shots to frighten him but he got away; the country is very wild and mountainous ; we returned to his gunyah and found articles which had been reported as stolen ; I produce a pair of trousers, shirt, cartridge belt with cartridges.

Jude Kemp, miner of Eusdale Creek, deposed that his hut was broken into on December 25th; he identified some of the goods produced at his.

James Baker 'deposed to living about two miles from Kemp's ; on 25th December he saw prisoner coming from the direction of Kemps he was carrying a swag and had a gun in his hand ; when prisoner saw witness he turned and ran back to the hollow ;. he then started back by another road, and witness watched him, he went through the bush to meet him, he lost sight of him for a time .but afterwards came across him lying by a hollow log; prisoner told him to "Go back" and then pointed the gun at witness,

Constable Bond of Wyagdon was called to give corroborative evidence, but the Bench did not require to hear him.

Prisoner was again committed for trial at next Court of Quarter Sessions.

BATHURST POLICE COURT.
THURSDAY, JULY 23
(Before O. E.Smith, P.M, and E. T. Webb,JP
THE CHARGES AGAINST "SLIPERY JACK."

Jean Le Fung, alias John La Rossa, 65, Plasterer, a native of Madrid, was brought up by warrant charged with attempting to discharge loaded firearms at Sergeant Wright with intent to resist lawful apprehension ;also with breaking and entering the house of Ezbon Ebbon Pratt; and stealing therein on 1st April, 1893 ; also with breaking and entering the house of one Jude Kemp, and stealing therein on 25th December, 1895.The body of the court was filled with spectators. .

The accused has strongly marked feature with eyes deep set under prominent brows and when excited, as he sometimes became when the evidence was being interpreted to him, be looked fierce enough to suggest that he would not be over particular in any personal encounter; but at other times, when anything seemed to-"'strike him comical," his expression was by no means disagreeable.

Physically he does not strike a casual observer as being unusually strong, but looking at him more attentively one becomes conscious that the man has great chest measurement, big shoulders, and very muscular limbs altogether an awkward customer to meet on a lonely mountain behind a revolver, or a double barrelled gun. Though his age was put down as being 65, he does not look so old.

The accused being unable to speak English, Mr. Varagnolo, hair-dresser, was present to interpret. Before the appearance of the P.M., the accused was lively enough in his style of conversation, when asked by the police for his name, but it was difficult to make out what he said. Senior-Sergeant Morris said the accused could speak a little, English, and wanted an .interpreter. He was a Spaniard, and Mr. Varagnolo, an Italian, was the only person available. In reply to the PM, Mr. Varagnolo said he thought he could interpret the language sufficiently well to enable the. accused to understand.

Constable Preston, of Hillston, deposed

On 2lst May last, in company with a party of police (Sergeant Wright among them), I was searching the mountains near Capertee for prisoner; about 10 a.m. I was going down a gulley with a tracker named Hughey at Genolan (near Capertee); I saw smoke, arising from a cave about 50 yards ahead. I went towards the spot where the smoke was with the tracker, and when about ten yards from the spot (where there was a camp) my foot slipped on a stone, the prisoner ran out of the cave. I called on him. "Stand in the Queen's name" From where I was standing, I could not get down to the prisoner, there being a rock about 20 feet deep, and when I moved to go round the prisoner turned and ran down. I called on him four times to stand, and he must have heard ; he was making for a bluff of rocks, and seeing that he would get away, I fired at him with a police revolver ; he fell down, being wounded, but got up, and started off down the gully again ; I slipped down the rock and

ran after him, and when I was about 10 yards :from him, he turned and held up his hands ; I then walked up to him, and arrested him by virtue of the warrant (produced) ; he made no reply to the charge discharging firearms at Sergeant Wright; he said nothing ; then asked him his name. and he replied in broken English, " Jim," and he added that he was a Spaniard;
Sergeant Wright then came up, and with him I took prisoner to Capertee first, and then to Wallerawang, there his wound was attended to by Dr. Bellamy ; prisoner then brought on to Bathurst and lodged in gaol; I read the warrant to him again this morning, and he made no reply. I searched prisoner, and found on him two clasp knives.
Mr Varagnolo endeavoured to make the prisoner understand, and in reply to Senior Sergant Morris, said he could interpret the English language into the Spanish. He was then sworn as interpreter, and repeated the, evidence to prisoner, who several times interrupted, sometimes' disputing the accuracy of the statements, and at other times acquiescing in these. He intimated that he had no questions to ask. .

Sergeant G. Wright, of- Sunny Corner, deposed : I laid the information in this case, and the prisoner is the person referred to ; on the 6th April, '1993, a complaint was made to me ; I made enquiries, and came across a camp where the accused had been, and in which there was a tin that was identified by the person who had made the complaint ; on the 7th of the same month I went in search of the accused ; about dusk I saw a little smoke rising from behind a bush on Mt. Horrible; I went towards the spot, and accused jumped up, put his band inside his coat, and pulled out a revolver, and said, " You policeman, you go away, I'll shoot " I was not in uniform ; I said, "Put the revolver down, I, want to have a talk to you " he said, " NO, you go away, I'll shoot ;" he then got behind a tree, and 'I tried to get into a conversation with him to induce him to lay the revolver down ; I said ,"I am a policeman, and I want you;" at that time I was 15 or 20 yards away; I pulled out my revolver, and asked him again to put his revolver down; he said, "you come on, you policeman, me fight". He took aim at me from behind the tree, and his revolver snicked. I then fired a shot to frighten him. and I beard his revolver snick a second time ; I fired at him a second time, and I believe I hit him. as be made a "faint" backwards; I then made a rush to arrest him, and he hit me on the forehead over the left eye, knocking me down; the mark is now visible ;" when I fell the prisoner made off down the mountain ; I got up and followed, but lost sight of him, it being then just twilight, or about 7 or half past. I returned to the spot where I had startled him from and got a swag; took it into Sunny Corner, and got from it the articles now produced; they consist of stolen property, and have been in my possession ever since ; from then up to the 22nd of May last I was continually in search of the accused, that was the day he was arrested by Constable Preston ; I hand in the deposition given at the Police Court at Wallerawang where the accused was examined.
By, the Bench. There was sufficient light to enable me to see accused plainly when he attempted to fire at me, the revolver was then pointed at me, I was about from 8 to 10 yards from him when he flung the stone at me; the blow brought me down on my knee ; the stone was nearly an big as my fist

By Senior sergeant Morris : Afterwards, in searching the accused's swag, I found a double barrelled gun and a revolver (the revolver produced).

The P M.: When was that?. On the 17th February of this year; that was at Palmers Oakey Mountain, when I attempted to arrest him again ; he escaped, and I found in his camp a swag . containing these firearms ; the revolver was not the same one as he had pointed at me; be had in his possession a double barrelled breach loading gun when he got away on the second occasion.
Robert Henry Gand, farmer, residing at Palmer's Oakey, deposed : "I was with Sergeant Wright, in April, 1893. and saw accused; I was near enough to hear the conversation between them.; the sergeant called out to accused to surrender ; accused said, " No, you police, me fight", I saw revolver in his hands he walked up against a tree; took aim at the sergeant, and snapped the revolver at him twice the sergeant fired two shots at him, and at the second accused went down on his knee ; be got up and flung a stone at the sergeant and some at me ; I saw the sergeant go back, but I could not see that any stone struck him, and I saw no mark on him afterwards, the accused then ran down a hill ; we found a swag, and it contained articles, one of which a sugar bag. I identified as belonging to me; my hut had been broken into twice, and a pair of trousers, the bag, and other things were stolen and I complained to the police about it.
This was the case in regard to the attempted shooting at Sergeant Wright.
(Mr. Webb here retired from his seat.)
In reply to the usual question from the Bench, the accused, with much vehemence, said it was not true that he threw the stone at the sergeant, but he threw one at the witness Gand,
The Police Magistrate said he was of opinion that a *prima facie* case had been made out, and committed accused to take his trial at the Quarter Sessions on Monday.
The witnesses were bound over to appear,

BREAKING AND ENTERING.

The case of breaking and entering the dwelling of Ebbon Pratt, on the 1st April 1893, and stealing therein was next proceeded with.
Sergeant Wright deposed : This morning I charged the accused with breaking and entering the dwelling house of Ezbon Ebbon Pratt, and stealing therein at Mitchells Creek, on the:3rd April 1893 ; on the 7th April 1893 the accused whom I was endeavouring to arrest, got away from me, and I seized his swag. which he left behind, and out of which I took the articles now produced, a tent fly, a pair of woollen gloves, and a jack knife ; these have been in my possession ever since they have been identified by Pratt as his property , Robert Henry Gand was with, me when I found these articles.
The accused asked to see the articles and they were shown to him, but they were held so that he could not seize the knife if he felt so inclined. By his gestures it was understood that he did not deny that these things were in his possession, but that there was no fear about his cutting his throat even if he had got the knife.
Ezbon Ebbon Pratt, residing at Scott Creek, two miles from Sunny Corner, affirmed. On the 3rd April I had left my house locked up, and on my return found the place had been broken open, and a quantity of property stolen, including beef, bread, flour, sugar, salt, and a six chambered British bull dog revolver; this was loaded in four chambers, there were a number of American coins, a jack-knife. and a tent-fly missing and a pair of gloves; I identify several of these articles shown to me as my property; the gloves I bought in British Columbia, and have had them about 8 years.
By the Bench: The accused had no authority to take the articles.
Robert Henry Gand, miner, gave evidence as to being in company of Sergeant Wright at Mount Horrible, and he saw accused get away, he left a swag behind him, and it was opened in witness's presence and the articles taken from it.
The, accused, during the interpretation of the evidence, declared, in broken English, that he did not understand what was being said, and showed some excitement.
Mr. Varagnolo said the accused wished to have a Spanish interpreter, and the F.M. stated, that one would be present at the Quarter Sessions.
The accused was then committed for trial on this charge.

THE THIRD CHARGES.

The charge of breaking and entering the dwelling house of Jude Kemp at Eusdale Creek on the 25th December, 1895, and stealing therein was next heard.

Sergeant Wright deposed : This morning I told the accused the charge, to which be made no reply; on the 17th February last, I came across accused at a place called Eagle Hawk Gulley in the Palmer's Oakey Mountains, he was standing against the door of a humpy, or gunyah, with a double barrelled gun in his band ; I tried to arrest him, but could not . I went 70 yards away when I first saw him, and he was in a cleft of rocks ; I called out to him, and said, "I want to have a yarn with you ;" he said twice, "Go away," broke the gun, a breech loader, put it right again, and raised it up to his shoulder, he did not put anything in it ; he presented the gun ; he then made for a cliff of rocks and constable Bond and I tried to cut him off, but I lost sight of him in the scrub ; after a few minutes I saw him crouched down behind a tree. with the gun pointed at the two of us; I then left Constable Bond and tried to get round him, and the former fired several shots to frighten him, but accused got away; the country was of a very broken nature; I then went back and found in the gunyah a lot of property reported to have been stolen, and some of which I now produce, namely, a pair of moleskin, trousers, one Crimean shirt, a cartridge belt (with three cartridge in it); from the pocket of an old pair of trousers I took a fourth cartridge ; these articles have been claimed by Kemp as his property.

Jude Kemp farmer, residing at Eusdale; said that when he left his place In December he locked it up, and was away about an hour; when he returned he found that the two doors had been broken open, and a quantity of articles stolen, he missed a double barrelled breech loading gun and the property enumerated by the previous witness, and which he now identified.

James Baker. miner, residing at Diamond Flat, said that Kemp lived within two miles from his place; on the 25th December 1893. he saw accused at half-past 10 a m; accused carried a swag, and the moment he saw witness he made off; he had come from the direction of Kemp's place, and carried a double barrelled gun in his hand; afterwards accused presented the gun at him; being then 40 yards away; he had been lying behind a log, and when he saw witness and a man who was with him he jumped up and pointed the gun. Saying "Go back;" had seen him previously, and know him perfectly well.

While this story was being related to accused he gave the court to understand that the statement as to the pointing of the gun was not correct.

The accused was committed to take his trial at the Quarter Scissions

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BATHURST QUARTER SESSIONS
MONDAY JULY 27th; 1896..
(Before Judge Docker.)
Mr. J. H. P. Murray acted an Crown Prosecutor.
TRIAL OF SLIPPERY JACK.

Von Larosa ("Slippery Jack ") was indicted for that he, on 25th December 1894, at Eusdale Creek, did break and enter the dwelling house of Jude Kemp, and steal there from one firearm, ammunition, etc.

Henry F. Collins, consulting mining engineer, of William Street, was sworn to act as interpreter, prisoner being a Spaniard, he was unable to speak or understand English.

Prisoner pleaded Not Guilty saying he was never in that neighbourhood .

The Crown Prosecutor opened the case, the evidence of which has already been published.

Sergeant Wright, of Sunny Corner, deposed to going to a hut at Eagle Hawk Gully and seeing prisoner, who pointed a gun at him, and subsequently got away; witness found in the hut, a belt and four cartridges, pair of trousers and Crimean shirt (produced), all of which had been identified by a man called Kemp, from whose hut they had been stolen.

Prisoner said he had no questions to ask, and declared that the evidence was all untrue, and he had never seen the sergeant.

Jude Kemp, of Eusdale Creek, near Sunny Corner, deposed to having left his hut on 25th December, safely locked up ; when he returned the same evening he found both doors, had been broken open and his gun, cartridge belt and. ammunition, and some clothing and provisions taken, the articles produced were those which had been stolen from his hut.

James Baker, miner, of near Sunny Corner, deposed to having seen prisoner near the scene of the robbery on the day in question.

This was the case for the crown.

.Mr, Collins explained the proceedings to prisoner, who argued a good deal with him. In answer to the usual question he said he had no desire to give evidence, or address the jury but would leave it to his Honor. He said he never had a gun and the hut where it was found was not his. As an old Spanish soldier he knew it was illegal to carry a gun, without a, license and, he would not do it

Subsequently prisoner said he was born in Spain where he served eight years in the army; during this time he lost father, mother, and sisters by typhoid; after he got his discharge he worked two and a half years in France on the railway, then went back to Barcelona, and while there saw some sailors who had just come back on a wool ship from Australia; these sailors told him what a splendid place Australia was and be decided to come here; he sailed for Sydney, and soon after landing chummed in with an ice cream vendor named Antonio ; together they tramped the country and picked up with two more travellers, who were also looking for work ; they got a job of fencing near Mudgee, at which work they stayed five months ; the other three men then left and prisoner had to shift for himself. Being unable to speak English he could not make himself under stood and he could not get more work, and for the last two years had to exist on what he could pick up; he had to kill sheep and lambs and steal potatoes for food, but he denied having stolen all the articles mentioned against him, and the huts in which they were found did, not belong to him.

His Honor passed sentence of five years penal servitude. and said that if it was found that prisoner was an escapee from New Caledonia no doubt steps would be taken to send him back there.

Prisoner, on hearing what the sentence was, asked the interpreter (Mr. Collins) to thank his Honor.

BREAKING AND ENTERING.

John Larose, (Slippery Jack) was indicted for that he, on the "5th December, 1895, at, Eusdale Creek, did break and enter the house of one Jude Kemp, and steal there from one firearm, cartridges, pair of trousers, one shirt, flour, and sugar.

Mr. Henry F. Collins, consulting mining engineer, was sworn in to act as interpreter, the accused being a Spaniard and unable to speak English.

Plea: Not guilty.

Sergeant T. G. Wright, of Sunny Corner, desposed: In December last, in company with Constable Bond, I went to Eagle Hawk Gully, and saw accused , 70 yards away . I said , I wished to speak to him ; he was standing against the entrance of a gunyah, holding a gun in his hand; it was a double barrel breech loader, and he broke it, and put it to rights again ; he sang out, "Go away, I'll shoot". I said again that I wanted to have a yarn with him and he said "Go away" as he advanced, accused disappeared, and we tried to cut him off; I cut round and saw accused lying near a log; he ultimately got away ; I afterward searched the Guuyah and found several articles, including a cartridge belt (with three cartridges,) a pair of moleskin trousers, and a Crimean shirt - these were shown to a man named Kemp

Cross examined . **By His Honor** I am sure it was the accused I saw.
: It was 2 o'clock in the day, I was up within 30 yards of him, I had seen him before frequently.
Jude Kemp, living at Eusdale Creek, deposed that on the 25th December he left his house about 7 a.m., and returned in about an hour ;-he found that during his absence the house, which he had left securely fastened up, had been broken open,, and a quantity of property, including the cartridge belt was gone, and he also lost tea, sugar, and salt.
James Baker, miner, who resides in the locality, deposed to seeing accused, on the morning of December 25, about 10 30, about 80 or 100 yards from his, (witness) house ; he spoke to him ; afterward he saw accused armed with a gun behind a log; as soon as accused saw him he rose and called on him to stand back.

This was the case.

The accused intimated that he did not wish to go into the box ;, he said he never had a gun, that the gun was never in his possession, that he as an old Spanish soldier, and know that is was illegal . to carry a gun in his own country, and he would not do it here,
His Honor summed up, and the jury, after consideration, found the prisoner guilty.

There were other charges against accused, but they were not proceeded with.

Prisoner was sentenced to five years penal servitude

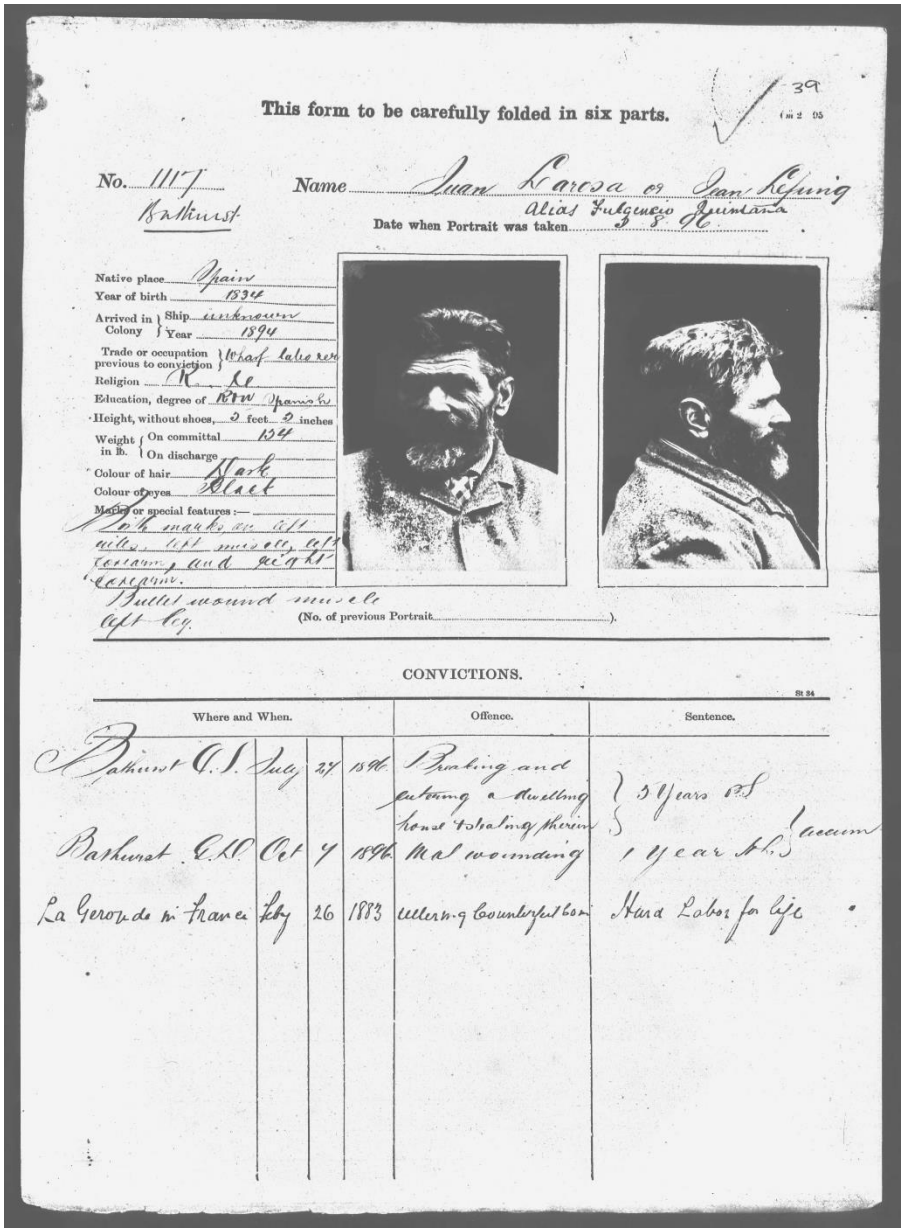
SLIPPERY JACK
SENT BACK TO NOUMEA

The French liner. Polynesian, which left Sydney for Noumea on Saturday, took as, involuntary passengers two French escapees, Meurice Gultmann and Jean Quitatanc, better known as “Slippery Jack”, whose name will not readily be forgotten by the police and people in the Bathurst district. The latter prisoner had expressed his intention of resisting the process of surrendering to the French authorities, and as he was known to be a dangerous character, trouble was anticipated. But the police took every precaution. Detective Rochaix, who was, entrusted with the task of placing both escapees safely on board the vessel had .'Slippery Jack', muffed before quitting the gaol precincts. As for Gultmann, he gave no trouble. Both prisoners journeyed in the police van from Darlinghurst to the Water Police Station. The short distant from the station to the wharf they traversed on foot, escorted by a water police guard. The pair were got, on board without any trouble, and transferred to the safe keeping of the French official. As the French warder laid hold of Quintane for the purpose of escorting him to his quarters, a sort of iron railed pen on the main deck, he made a gesture as if to offer resistance, and there was an ugly gleam in his eye. But with his hands still in the muffs he could do but little. A minute later he and. his compatriot Gultamann were behind the iron bar, and the muffs removed. “Slippery Jack for years caused the Sunny Corner police no end of trouble, and it was only by the merest accident that his home in the wild mountain vastness was discovered, Which ultimately led to his capture.-ED.

From “Ghosts of the Gold Fields” By H.H. Neary (1940)

Slippery Jack was a small, emaciated looking creature who roamed the bush in and around Sunny Corner in the early eighties. Many paltry robberies were committed in the district at that time, for all of which the authorities blamed "Slippery jack"; the general opinion, however, was that he did not commit one-half of them. It provided a great opportunity for the evil-disposed to get in their own work, as they knew that all the blame for the robberies would be laid on jack's weedy shoulders.
Sergeant Wright, a fearless but very human officer stationed at Sunny Corner, was in pursuit of Jack for over three years. On one occasion, while riding the rough ranges that surround Sunny Corner, his attention was attracted by a thin column of smoke rising from a distant spur of the range. Cautiously approaching the spot, the sergeant was able to get quite near to his man before being seen, but as soon as Jack saw him coming he made a rush for his gun that he had left leaning against a sapling.
Wright then called out: "It's all right. I'm looking for horses. Did you see any round here?" As he spoke he kept walking towards Jack in a quiet, unconcerned way and, being apparently unarmed, "Slippery jack" was thrown off his guard, but when the sergeant came within a short distance of his man, he drew his revolver, and exclaimed:
“I'm a policeman. Now put up your hands, and come with me quietly!'
"Slippery," true to name, stooped and reached for a stone which he hurled with lightning rapidity against Wright's head, bringing him to the ground. When Wright recovered, he saw "Slippery" racing across one of the hills some half-a-mile away. Jack was a remarkable bushman, with a quickness and cunning that time after time outwitted his pursuers. Eventually, however, he was captured by Constable Preston at Capertee Valley, about five miles from the village. The incidents that led to his capture were these:
Sergeant Wright receiving word one day that the remains of a sheep had been found planted in a hollow log some distance from Capertee, wired to Ilford police station asking police to meet him at a given point. Constables Preston and Kearns, with two black-trackers, met him as directed, but it rained so heavily that day, it was decided to postpone the hunt until the following day. So next morning they met early and, after conferring together for a while, decided that their man would be somewhere in among the numerous caves that existed in the rough part of the mountains. Tying their horses up to some saplings, they went after "Slippery" on foot. The Sergeant sent Constable Preston and the two trackers in one direction, telling them that the man they were after was dangerous. Constable Preston, then started off in another direction. After about three hours, Wright heard a shot; he hastened in the direction of the sound and, when approaching the scene, heard the prisoner roaring in pain, as he struggled in the grip of Constable Preston's trackers the Constable had shot him in the thigh as he ran from the protection of a cave in the hills. Wright procured a buggy, and the party escorted the prisoner to Capertee railway station, from whence the Sergeant wired to Lithgow for, a doctor to meet him at Wallerawang to extract the bullet from the prisoner's leg, and this was done in the Wallerawang lock-up. Next morning he was sent along to Bathurst, lodged in the gaol there, and medically treated until he was able to appear at court. He was tried, and sentenced to twelve months' confinement in Berrima Gaol.

While there, Detective Roseby was readied up, and entered "Slippery's" cell as a fellow prisoner and by some means extracted the information from him that he was one of the two prisoners who had escaped from New Caledonia after killing two warders. So eventually "Slippery" was sent back there, tried, and executed for the offence, but before he left this country he became very refractory and had to be sent back in a cage.



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No. 1117 Bathurst

Name Juan Larosa or Juan Kejuing alias Fulgencio Jeumana

Date when Portrait was taken

Native place Spain
Year of birth 1834
Arrived in Colony { Ship unknown Year 1894
Trade or occupation previous to conviction { Wharf labourer
Religion R. C.
Education, degree of Read Spanish
Height, without shoes, 5 feet 9 inches
Weight in lb. { On committal 154 On discharge
Colour of hair Dark
Colour of eyes Black
Marks or special features:— Both marks on all wrists, left muscle, left forearm, and right forearm. Bullet wound muscle left leg.

(No. of previous Portrait).

CONVICTIONS.

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Where and When.				Offence.	Sentence.
Bathurst C.S.	July	27	1896	Breaking and entering a dwelling house & stealing therein	5 years each
Bathurst C.C.	Oct	7	1896	Mal wounding	1 year H.L. } cum
La Geronde in France	Feby	26	1883	Uttering Counterfeit Coin	Hard Labor for life

THE M.J.FERGUSON STORY.

This is taken from notes made in an Embassy exercise book during the 1950's before she passed away at "Kelvin" Palmers Oakey 22-2-1959.

She was born in Ireland in 1875. Matilda Josephine Deasey and her memories are as follows:-

IRELAND.

The land of my birth, I remember really very little about it as I was too young when I left, so really depend on heresay.

I was born in Kinmare County Kerry in 1875 of Irish parents ; fathers antecedents were true Irish , but mothers had years before came from Hanover with Jeorge 1st; both parents were born in Ireland, father in Mayo & mother in Cork. I heard that fathers father was a missionary in his later days, mothers was a school teacher, one of fathers uncles fought at the Battle of Trafalgar (1805) under Nelson.

Ireland in those days was full of superstition , fairies , hobgoblins , banshees , wishing wells etc.etc & I believe is to the present day to a certain extent, & education was very expensive & hard to get , so my people must have had means , as both father & mother were teachers , both were reared on farms. Mother used to tell us how they grew everything that they needed , wheat for flour flax & wool for clothing , all had spinning wheels & were adept at spinning . My parents told us of the potato famine (1845) & the plague after it , when thousands starved to death until help came , long pits were dug & the dead thrown in., no time for burial.

Both parents were teaching when they married in 1854 ; mother taught until the family got too numerous.

The schools in those days were under the Clergy,& they were very bigoted, father could not stand this, so after a disagreement with the parson of the parish he resigned , & took up a billet as book keeper on Lord Sandowes estate, quite a number of young gentlemen studied under him , he was allowed a large house to live in , which he needed as the family had increased to over a dozen , it was there that I was born, (14th child) . Fathers only brother had migrated to Australia some years before, & he wrote glowing accounts of the New Land, & what opportunities there were for young men, if father sent two of his boys out he would look after them & see that they got work, so when

I was about a fortnight old they left, they were ship wrecked twice but arrived at last in Victoria were uncle was, he had joined the Police force & was actively rising in the ranks, the eldest went teaching & the other uncle put on the land.

Father had quite a billet where he was , he was inspector of fisheries on the Estate, all waters were private, but poaching often took place among the peasants, they used a weed which they put in the water, & it "doped" the fish so they came to the top of the water & they were easy to haul in with "gaff" (a large hook affair). Father & the Bailiff were told once that a raid was to take place, but by the time they got there the fish were floating on the top, they captured one of the ring leaders but not before he made a swipe at father with the "gaff" which fortunately struck a book in his breast pocket & so saved him from injury, of course the poor fellow was sentenced , whether transported or not I do not know

The young gents & father often went fishing to the Lakes of Killarney , he told us on one occasion they ran out of food so called at an Inn , for dinner, "mine host" was very affable, showed them in to the dining room were a huge fire of peat was blazing & after a time glasses , decanter , & a huge roast of beef were placed on the table , they were very hungry & attacked the roast with gusto to find that it was only half cooked , nothing daunted one carved while the others toasted the meat in front of the fire on their forks & very little of the joint was left when they were finished.

There seemed very little prospect of things getting any better in Ireland & it took a great deal to keep the family , the elder boys at home found some little work to do , my eldest sister (18) went teaching , so that Father decided to emigrate to Australia & find a home for us & then send for us which he did , he went to Victoria for a while & stayed with Uncle. That was the time the notorious Kelly gang was operating , Uncle (then a Sergeant) was sent to go after them , word came that a robbery had taken place not far away, so after putting all his private affairs in fathers hands he went , but like a lot of other rumours it turned out to be false , the gang had crossed the border & were in N S W by that time.

Father then came to Sydney where he got into the Education Dept, then he sent for us.

We embarked at Plymouth on the sailing vessel "La Hogue" a staunch old craft , I heard it was her nineteenth voyage to Australia.

We arrived in Sydney on Oct 1880 , Father came out with the Pilot to meet us he was teaching in Sussex St at that time. The boys soon got something to do, the two brothers from Victoria came to meet us, so there was a big reunion thirteen children & Father & Mother. It had taken 83 days to come out I believe it was a fast trip then, we did not meet with bad weather. We were a healthy family, we had good healthy Christian parents, the greatest blessing that humans can have with the love of the Lord.

It was about six months after we arrived that Father was appointed to a school in the upper reaches of the Hawksbury River (Central McDonald) & it was really there my childhood days were spent. Six children accompanied our parents there.

It was a lovely place, beautiful scenery, of course we children were not old enough at the time to enjoy it but we did afterward.

Mother was delighted with it all, so free & open, fruit in abundance along the road everywhere peaches , oranges, passion fruit, no one owned free for all comers. Our supplies came mostly by water a flat bottomed boat used to ply up & down the river, the nearest towns were five miles each side of us.

The inhabitants were descendants of convicts mostly, a lovely homely lot always there to help when needed. A river the McDonald ran at the back of the house & we children had the time of our lives swimming fishing & there were any amount of fish of all kinds. Father & my younger brother used to go of a Saturday morning (in the boat , it was used to bring the children from the other side) they would leave about 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning & be back home for 8 o'clock breakfast with a tub full of fish. We children used to anchor the boat in midstream & fish for garfish with cotton thread lines & bent pins for a hook & we would catch dozens.

The maize crops were lovely,
"With its long & shining tresses
With its garments green & yellow
With its long & glossy plumage"

There were pumpkins & melons planted amongst it was the only crop of importance.

By this time some of our brothers & sisters got married & most of them lived in the city, so we rarely saw them. One sister died at the age of 22 from typhoid fever, mother was very grieved naturally, I was about seven or eight at the time & of course we all cried seeing mother so distressed but we did not realise it really.

The river used to rise very rapidly after rain & we had two floods while we were there, quite thrilling for the younger fry , we imagined ourselves "Robinson Crusoes" & looked around for the niggers footprints in the sand , we were marooned & had to have our stores brought to us by boat for a fortnight or so.

One daring young man whose father had been a ships carpenter, made a canoe & would carry it miles upstream before he embarked, then came speeding down the river at a terrific rate . I suppose he enjoyed the experience.

Magnificent flowers grew on the mountains & in the gullies. One Sunday we thought we would go exploring on the ranges, picked all sorts of flowers running from one place to the other, until we found we did not know where we were & that it was getting late, we were sure we were lost, the flowers were thrown away, lips trembled, tears came, looked down the hill & saw Wisemans Ferry a town five miles from home. The eldest sister with us knew her way after that & we joyfully turned our steps home, the home people were getting anxious about us & decided to send a search party out so were very much relived when we got back. I had many a nightmare after waking up in a fright of being lost.

One day poor mother was startled by one of the school girls coming to her out of breath , eyes staring out of her head , exclaiming " Oh , Oh , it was awful." whatever is wrong mother asked, " Oh I saw a wheel running away with a man " The first bicycle the poor child saw.

There was a small church about a mile from home " St Jude ", a clergyman (C E) used to come about once a month , father used to preach Sunday school, of course we children used to attend, & coming home we always climbed the mulberry trees belonging to a neighbour (we got liberty) & helped ourselves , making our clothes in a fearful shape never thinking of the trouble we were making for our dear mother, thoughtless children.

We always found plenty to amuse us after school , a swim , Father taught us to swim by tying a rope under our arms & taking us out then letting us paddle our way back , he was a great swimmer , mother could not swim , but used to enjoy a dip.

One of my brothers mates had a billy goat , so they made a cart out of a box , & put a tick over it , we each had a ride in turns , on my last ride the goat bolted , tossed me out & went like the wind they had a job to catch him. I was not hurt just gravel rashed but the cart was in splinters.

We used to be delighted to help to shell corn (no corn shellers in those days, all by hand). One day we were in the barn helping or hindering I do not know which when I looked up , on the bean overhead & saw a huge snake as thick as my leg (diamond) its head swaying about. I let a yell out of me , the neighbour calmly said " that my rat catcher". I went home.

Mother as she was washing one day broke a sewing needle that was fastened in the clothes somehow , it went right under the nail , the head of the needle with a bit of black tread in it , she had a frightful hand & arm from it , she could not make the bread , so the eldest girl had to with the help of my brother Jim , his arms were stronger than mine to kneed it , we made good bread to , baked in a camp oven , we

used corn cobs for fuel. A short time after a neighbour managed to get the needle out by shaving the nail down to the quick & putting the point of a needle in the eye , pulled it out , a great relief.

Father used to row to Wisemans Ferry sometimes , a distance of ten miles by water , our dog used to swim after the boat for miles , he was a faithful animal when were out anywhere he always went ahead & warned us if a snake were near , one thing he had a set on , a pig , he could not stand the look of them , he would swim the river if he saw one on the other side & chase it , often tearing a strip off of it.

One Sunday an old resident came to see father ,& during the conversation told him of the early days , what he had been sent to the country for , some trivial offence , then he showed him his back . where he was flogged , & his legs from the irons. Father was deeply moved " Mans inhumanity to man makes countless nations moan ".

Father was a wonderful teacher & could impart knowledge in a wonderful way , when my younger brother was thirteen he passed the junior university exam. Mother took him to the City to sit for it , we were very proud of him , Mother told us about seeing fire in a bottle , the electricity , so common now.

I had a trip to the city when I was about ten , a married sister was home & took me back with her , I saw a train for the first time & other wonders , went to Dulwich Hill school while I was there & I was put into the highest class. I did not like the City I missed my sisters & brothers , mother came for me & I was so glad to get home , & was surprised that I was behind my class mates in many subjects but soon picked up.

Some distance , may be half way to Wisemans Ferry was a place called "Shephards Gully" , There was what they called a Triangle where they flogged the convicts , I never saw it , nature in all her beauty , tree ferns gigantic lilies , waratahs , flannel flowers , with maiden hair fern nestling among the rocks, & where all that beauty was , men went through hell , what suffering. I am sure it must be haunted with the whips of the lash & the moans of the victims, thank God all that is done away with.

On the road to St Albuns where we used to go for supplies , go partly by water the rest by road , we would take a short cut over a hill , were there were some huge sandstone rocks on which were drawn aboriginal drawings of different animals , human hands , some with only fingers , baby hands , etc , they used to interest us very much . I expect the government have had them protected before this.

Mother had a sewing machine for the first time in her life , however she had managed without one , was a miracle , yet we were clad, all by hand it was done , a wonderful woman . When she got the machine she used to do some sewing for the neighbours , machines were rare in these days.

There was a new school built , the old one had seen its days , but we did not enjoy the new one for long as Father got an appointment to another school , we were about nine years there We heard that a big flood afterwards took the buildings all away but the school (new) & nearly demolished that.

Of course we children were excited to be on the move to see new places.

We went by boat to Sydney a flat bottomed paddle box affair the "Alma" , the cabin was newly painted , we all got seasick going through Broken Bay , but we reached Sydney in good time.

Father went & saw the Educational Department , & they altered his destination when they found he had a family (they paid travelling expenses.) he was sent to a school closer in the Bathurst district.

We saw nearly all the rest of the family while we were in the City.

How delighted we young people were when we went up the "Zig Zag" we had read of it , what a wonderful piece of engineering it was & never an accident on it . Reached the end of our train journey in the evening then we had to coach it for sixteen miles to Oberon, that was three miles from the school Father was to preside over . The teacher of that school had not taken his departure so we had to wait about three days before we could move in. It was a brick school with residence attached , there Father spent nearly fourteen years. There was very little scenery about this place . The people were very nice & friendly. Some of the children used to come five miles to the school.

There were about twenty , maybe forty acres attached to the school for the use of the children's horses , that had came a distance , so we could keep a cow or two & mother was delighted that she could make her own butter again & lovely it was , we also kept fowls , & mother and myself went as far as having a few hives of bees. There was a Post Office attached so we could hear how the outside part of the world was progressing.

We had to walk to Church a distance of three miles , sometimes we would get a lift with a neighbour.

My brother Jim had passed his pupil teacher examination & was awaiting a call , while waiting he done some tutoring , some children were too small to walk the distance to school , the rest of us three girls had not finished school. Not too long before he got his appointment as pupil teacher in Newtown school (City) we missed him very much , he came home for holidays. One of the elder brothers & his wife came on a visit to us , they had four children , twin babies , the wife was Matron of Bourke Hospital at the time , & he was nurse & dispenser , & a sister was also teaching there , they took me back with them thinking I may like to be a nurse. They broke their journey at Young , Young at that time (1890 or there about) was one of the first towns to have electric light.

Bourke was a very thirsty place , there were 24 public houses there , the River Darling was a chain of water holes. I believe there was a flood a few years before I was there. The town was all under water , the hospital was about the highest place , they had to remove all the patients , one was too ill to be removed so they improvised a tent on the roof of the wash house, & my brother stayed with him there & nursed him & he pulled through. Camel trains would come there from the further west , with the wool clip , poor patient animals with their Afghan drivers . There was a village of Afghans at the railway station , they seemed to understand the camels better than the European. Bourke was very hot , I would take a small niece to school (convent) of a morning & go myself to learn music & French (but forgot it all by now).

I got "Sandy Blight " a distressing thing nearly blind for a fortnight , shut in a dark room , but I got over it . After six months Father came up & took me home , you may depend I was delighted to get home again & the cool climate.

We had had some heavy falls of snow there , a beautiful sight when falling but nice to have a fire to go to.

I had a boy friend in Bourke , a warder in the hospital , he came to see us after I went home , we corresponded for about two years , I was not heartbroken when it ceased.

My first & only experience of a public hall , Father took a ticket (a R C affair I think) & it was decided I was to accompany him , a married sister was at home & all helped to adorn me for the occasion , ribbons & lace , hair frizzed etc. There was a big attendance but I could not dance , some of the young men took me on the floor , but soon tired of it. I was indeed thankful when Father decided to go home after midnight . I never did learn to dance.

We went for a trip to the Jenolan Caves , got a neighbour to take us , they are magnificent beyond description , like fairyland , a person would need a week then some to see them.

The school Inspector told Father there would be exams for teachers for small schools before too long , in the meantime I went minding the Drs children , two little boys. I would leave home in the morning about 7-30 AM & walk three miles & back in the evening , five days a week , for which I was getting 3/- a month

A cousin came to see us from Victoria , a clergyman rector of St Pauls Bendigo , they came to Australia after we did , he had just lost his mother (Aunt Lizzie mothers sister) I do not know how he got our address , we had a letter from him to say he was coming but was not sure what day , when he came someone drove him out , the front door was open & mother was sitting on the rocking chair in the room he

made a few quick steps & took mother in his arms , Oh Aunt Margaret he said , you are like mother . You may depend Mother was delighted to see him . He stayed a few days , preached in the C,E Church on the Sunday , coming home (we had a horse & buggy by this) Father was driving & he was sitting in the front with him , he was really quite for a while , then the question " do you smoke uncle " Father said "yes , but not when I am driving " , he put his hand in his pocket & pulled out a well seasoned pipe " Oh I have been dying for a smoke" he said to Father , "you know the clergy are not supposed to smoke " & told him about two bishops who stayed at the same hotel , they got separate rooms . One thought he would go to the other before he retired , when he went to his room he found him with his head up the chimney puffing a cloud of smoke , so he went back to his own room & did like wise . He was Bishop of Nelson N Z in after years & died there .

An epidemic of " flue " struck the locality , Father got bronchitis & mother pleurisy , they were very sick , it was really a trying time for us girls , but we managed . The school was closed . I took on the night part of the nursing , sisters managed during the day , parents had to be poulticed every 2 hours . I had learned how to make a poultice when at the hospital , neighbour were very kind but Father liked his own Dr used to come nearly every day, in about a fortnights time they started to improve, & it seemed no time before they were up & about again . Father let his beard grow , never shaved after .One of the school boys were sent to get their mail & he saw Father on the verandar , he did not know him with the beard , so ran home again & told his father " he was not going to school anymore there was a strange teacher there " , his father came & had a great laugh over it .

My youngest sister & self went to Bathurst & sat for exams as teachers , we both passed , but had to wait for some time for our appointments . Mine came first , by telegram , so had to go to town to answer . I had arranged to meet a boy friend that day , so I got my sister G to go for me , she saw him & told him . My first appointment was out West near Condoblin . The boy friend took me to the Railway station , I said good buy to him & told him I would write (I did for a short time . I had to wait until 2-30 am for the train , it went through Orange to Parkes , then the line branched one going to Forbes & the other to Condoblin . When it got to Bogan Gate a constable met the train , he had received word from the Sergeant at Oberon to meet me there & put me on the right track , he took me to the barracks where his wife had a nice dinner waiting , but I was really too tired to enjoy it , back on the train again , he told the guard where I was going & to look after me & off we went .

It was only a single line from that on & very slow , the whistle blew very often to drive sheep off the track , but in a short time the same sheep were on again , such a dreary country , flat with dead trees each side of the line , their arms raised as if asking vengeance on the monster that denuded them of their foliage , there was not a vestige of green verdure , a little stunted scrub here & there . Chug , chug , on goes the train it seemed awfully slow , at last it reached the siding where I was to get out , thank goodness , the end of that nightmare of a train journey , I had over twelve hours of it . The guard got my luggage out & spoke to some of the people that had came for their mail , told them who I was & to have someone come for me . I had to wait nearly an hour before they came . We drove for about three miles & then through a gate , & I rubbed my eyes thinking I was seeing things , but no , in front of us was what seemed to me an oasis , green trees , a vegetable garden & lovely flowers with the house nestling amongst it , oh was I not thankful to get out .

There was a nice lunch ready but I was too weary to enjoy food .

The people were a selector , wife & seven children (there were two other children , a girl & boy , the girl was married & the boy away working) , they were very nice people & soon made me at home . The selector had a market garden , he took his vegetables to Condoblin on the weekend for sale , they were really extra special , they were three children of school age & two were too young.

Being Sunday next day I had a look round , the school house was in reality just a shed that stored feed for Cobb & Co in the years gone by , the school furniture was all there , it had an iron roof & was dry. I started to teach the next day , there were only three permanent families in the locality , about seven or nine children , the other children were from tents or whatever shelter fettlers had , & they were moved from one place to another so it was a hard matter to keep up the average attendance of children , however we got on very well .

The district was in the throes of a drought , had no rain for over twelve months , water was scarce , & no feed , sheep had to be fed by hand . Trucks of fodder used to come by train , but being only a one track line , if the trucks were not unloaded the same day they were shunted back to the next station that had the double line , the people had been agitating for a small branch line , to run the fodder trucks off the line , but the government were deaf to their pleas .

When the summer came the heat was intense worse really than Bourke , all water had to be boiled before use , the dams & Creek were putrid with dead rabbits & sheep , people would hardly believe it if I told them I never had a drink of water for nearly six months unless I went to town , the tea was more like Castor oil , but we survived it . I never saw so many rabbits all colours all sizes . The boys of the house made what they called pit traps , the other side of the wire nett fence round the vegetable garden , they put a balance board on top of the pit , & the rabbit went down . As many as two hundred they get in one night , skins were not worth selling .

I went home Xmas time for the holidays , such a change from the heat , the holidays were all too short . Back again to the task .

One of the boys of the house had failed in an exam for teachers about twelve months before I went there , so I told him if he would like to try again I would give him all the help I could , so I used to coach him of an evening .

The Federation of the States of Australia (1901) Royalty in the person of the Duke of York came out to open the first Parliament .

The boys of the house brought home word that there was great work going on at the Siding (Derriwong) making a line to shunt the Royal train off the line , as His Royal Highness the "Dook" was coming on a shooting trip to "Borambil" station then owned by the N Z L Company , what a secret but they found out the date , so we all made up our minds we must see this great personage . The day arrived , the first week in June , a very frost that morning , you could see the gilimmer of little fires here & there , it was about 7 a.m , the cry passed along "she's coming, she's coming" , along the train came , a delay the carriages were shunted off , then on she went Curiosity , one had a peep into the carriages then another , we heard the ends & outs of the proceedings " they are having breakfast , that fellow is shaving ", etc, etc. In about an hours time men emerged from the carriages & went towards the road where a carriage was waiting with four magnificent chestnut horses , prancing & champing at their bits , they were beautiful creatures , you could see yourself in their skins All eyes were eagerly watching for the Duke to come along , one lone figure walked slowly towards the carriage , he wore a grey suit & a grey hat , was helped into the carriage & it drove off , very few people recognised his royal highness , not a cheer was given . he wanted it quite & he got it quite.

Next day the rain came , not ordinary rain , but buckets of rain as if the windows of heaven were opened & it was poured out , the noise was terrific on the iron roof . About midday some poor bedraggled humans made their appearance at the door of the school , the door was open so they came in gladly . I had a big fire on , so the attendants soon were busy , gents coats off , guns dried , a great " how de doo ", they had provisions with them , & soon bottles & glasses appeared , they kindly asked me to partake but I declined , but said I would dismiss the children so I would not have to give then lessons in strong drink , the rain had ceased partly . I had some arithmetic on the board that I had been giving the young fellow I was coaching . One of the gents said to another " Jack do you think you could manage that ".pointing to the sum on the board , " Bah Jove I do not think I could ". He said " do you have pupils that can do that work " , "certainly " I said . There was a reporter amongst them taking everything in. One of them , I believe the Dukes valet gave me a piece of cake , which he said was part of the Dukes birthday cake (birthday 3rd June) I thanked him & said I was highly honoured , said good day to them & took my departure. (The Duke & others had gone on to the train). Next day when I opened the safe where I kept the books , slates etc, I found biscuits , fruit , sweets etc which the youngsters enjoyed . The rain continued & there was a flood ,royal party departed The ground being flat there was water everywhere & all manner of water fowl made their appearance , even the pelican .

What a blessing it was to the poor parched land , but man did not think there would ever be another drought , everything was left

as it was , troughing that was used to hold feed for the sheep , hogheads of molasses , nothing removed & to top it all the small branch line was removed , hard to understood officialism .

The earth took on a new aspect , in a very short time , it was covered with a green carpet , herbage seemed to grow in a night. The rabbits were in great numbers everywhere , the boys used to make pit traps , in which they caught hundreds . Just outside the wire net of the garden was what they called a " Gilgi " , a depression in the ground that got filled with water , & near to it was a rabbit warren , so they decided to flood it out . I went with them , they filled all the holes but a few & dug channels from the " Gligi " to the warren , it took tons & tons of water before it was full , as we sat at the open holes we heard " blub ", " blub ' , " blub ' up came a half drowned rabbit , they got 50 out of that warren , but it seemed hopeless , they bred so quickly.

My sister had been sent to a school " Coolaman " way , of course drought there too & rabbits , she got typhoid fever from the water , there was no hospital near , my sister G went up to her , of course hotels & board houses would not accommodate fever , so the coach driver sent his family away , & gave them his house (God bless him), father went out , & they sent to Sydney for a trained nurse , there was a Dr, there , another sister came & stayed with mother while father was away , he stayed until after the crisis , but sister stayed on until she was well enough to travel , they then came home .

My eldest brother who had been a teacher , had thrown the teaching up , & had developed the wander lust , we had not heard of him for years before this , when one day Father got a telegram , asking him was he so , so etc , from the wandering one & he came on a visit just as my sister who had been so ill came home , so everyone was pleased to see him . I was home on holidays but he did not stay long , he was off again & we heard no more for him for years .

As soon as sister was well enough she went to teach near Cowra . I went back to school again , the young fellow I was coaching sat for his exam & passed with flying colours & were not his parents delighted , of course they gave me the credit of it all , he was appointed to Mnt Hope (there were four of the boys took up teaching .) I used to go to town of a Saturday , when the gardener used to take in his vegetables , the horses needed no shoes there it was almost a level road 14 miles , sometimes we would strike a sandstorm , we would stop the horses , he would put bags over the horses eyes & we would crawl under the coach . The sand stung you like so many needles , the storm could last for nearly an hour when we would crawl out sand, sand everywhere . A kind of weed called "roly poly " very little root & the wind would roll it along to the wire fence & the sand would stack up , it cost a fortune to keep the fences clear , impossible to keep rabbits out.

We saw a strange sight one day coming home , in a clump of scrub near the road we saw two eagles rise up , thinking it may be something dead there (maybe a human) we went over to see , there was an eagle , a huge naked bird not a feather on him , hiding, the other eagles had been feeding him , & another time , a young couple had been married that morning in Condoblin , & started off with a horse & sulky to go on their honeymoon , the horse was just skin & bone & soon dropped dead , & the last we saw of the couple was the bride sitting up in the sulky with her umbrella up , & the groom in the shafts trotting along the road , how far they got I never heard.

All belonged to the Good Templar Lodge so I joined up & once a month , we would go in & have a nights pleasure.

I heard that one of the boys who was with his father selling vegetables called at one of the hotels with a supply that had been ordered , two men well under the influence got hold of him , one held him while the other tried to pour a glass of sprits down his throat , when the hotel keeper saw them he jumped over the bar & floored both of them (he had been a pug) saying , you ------ don't ever show your faces in my pub again or it will be the worst for you , & he kept his word .

There were two Salvation lasses who used to come out of town about every three month , & hold a service at the neighbours place & we used to go , we crossed the creek on a suspension bridge , saplings tied together with wire , it answered the purpose well , & when floods came rose with the water , the girls were very sincere in their belief .

I was three years at that school when I got an appointment to one near Wang , I was sorry to leave the people (but not the heat).

I found books in the new school in a terrible muddle , the teacher had been suspended , so I had my work cut out to get things right , I was only a few months there when I was sent to Kelso & was only there a short time when I was sent to P O . where I married & stayed.

Some friend of fathers sent him a cutting from a paper (I think it was the Stock & Station journal) giving an account of the Royal visit to the West , & how some of the gents sought refuge in the little bush school & also how the teacher showed those gents (Oxford & Cambridge men) what bush education meant , Father was thrilled over it all & more so when I gave him the true account , told him how annoyed my inspector was that I did not get them to put their names in the visitors book , but I told him they were not visitors but were refugees .

Palmers Oakey.

Arrived here on Jan 15th 1904 , Father had retired the year before (1903) & went to the City to live , nearly all the family were living there. He was presented with a lovely present, an illuminated address & a silver coffee service

The school here had a very fair attendance but I can not say the children were very bright . This was part of the Turon Gold fields , & most of the people were miners , fossickers really , finding a little gold , & living on their miners lease , each had a few cattle , horses , some goats , there was a common where they could run their animals to a certain number.

The people were very homely , & used to amuse themselves with an occasional dance , picnic etc, I was not a dancer & I visited very little . There was a Union church about two miles away , I used to go occasionally to service there , a preacher would come about once a month . The woman of the house in which I boarded was full of life & loved nothing better than dances & parties she was really the life of the place.

I went to the City the Easter after I came here & stayed with father & mother & sister (that never left home) my sister that was teaching near Cowra came home too.

Father had bought a nice little house near the water & had it furnished very nicely , the first home he bought , for a teacher was moved about too much to have a permanent home , he had been teaching over 50 years .

It was not long before the eldest son of the house & myself started to keep company , he was a very hard working man , had a bullock team , & done a lot of carrying from the Oakey to Bathurst , wattle bark , honey etc. he was really the main stay of his mother , she had a few sheep , his other brother the youngest one done very little , too fond of sport , played the piano , but did not like hard work . his youngest sister lived close , a lovely woman , married with four children all going to school , her husband had an accident in a mine some years before poor fellow , an unexploded charge blew up really a wonder he was not killed , he used to get work around the district , a good worker .

The inspector came to the school , he was an odious man , I had been warned about him when I was teaching at Kelso , so threw no chances away . I got a fair report from him , the children were certainly backwards could not be off it as it had been a Half Time school before I came . I was the first teacher of the full time school , however things went on very well.

The boy friend (not much of a boy he was 41) & myself decided to get married in September . We went to the city & were married in my fathers house , mothers health was not too good . I was the only one of all the children that mother & father at my wedding & they both gave their blessing.

Not three weeks after the wedding my sister Sarah passed away under an unskilful operation , she was full of life at the wedding , she left a husband & three children , one girl & two boys , (her two boys fell in the first war) . The following Xmas was Fathers & mothers golden wedding (19th Dec 1854 married) so I went down , all the family that could come were there , a nice gathering , they got some nice

presents . My house was built & finished when I got back . My sister that was teaching near Cowra came here to teach , it was nice to have her , she was good company . My husbands youngest sister , never a strong woman died of pneumonia on 26th January , & his mother a short time after it was a terrible blow to all, the sisters children of course had to be parted the two girls went to their aunt , & my husband & I took her two boys , they were with their father for a time but he passed away the following March .

Then my sister (teacher) got ill & I took her to the City poor girl developed T B she never taught again , it was the galloping kind she just faded away & died the following year (3rd Oct 1906) I had my first baby by that time , I went down & saw her two days before she passed away . It was a great sorrow for us all , but life goes on just the same , & I found plenty of work to do , no town near so had to bake bread , milk cows , make butter , jam , soap , candles , in fact everything was made & grown on the place , except clothes , flour , sugar & tea . I made so much butter my husband used to grease his waggon . There were always men employed , the elder boy that was with us went to Cobar to an Uncle , the younger one used to go to school & as he grew older became of use to his Uncle who was away from home a lot with his team , or in the bush mustering sheep .

Wool was not much of price in those days , but we kept ourselves out of debt & managed to put a little by . Duncan loved his bullock team , he (Duncan) often told me tales of the Oakey , about the wild horses (brumbies) , he was a good horseman & he & others used to build yards & trap the brumbies some were good animals , but others were not much , on one occasion he said , one beautiful animal got out of the yard , & took to the hills , going after him down one hill full gallop , he found himself sitting in the saddle in the fork of a tree , the horse he was riding had jumped through & left him there , he was uninjured.

There were also wild cattle , but things like that do not last long too many people after them.

A lot of gold was found around the district , at one time there were over two hundred Chinamen on the place , they had their horse races & used to get some of the young fellows to ride for them as they were not good riders themselves , some would bravely try ,Duncan said it was very amusing to watch them holding on for bare life , pigtails flying & chattering all the time

There was a German Co. about four I heard , they made a race to carry the water to their sluicing , it was about ten miles from start to finish I believe it paid them well .

In the early days there was a public house on the Oakey my husbands people kept it for a time , the miners used to gather there play cards , & I suppose some gambling games , they used match boxes (round ones) full of gold dust for the stakes , it was there Duncan was born , his people afterwards took up ground where the sheep station "Warrie" now stands . There was a fair lot of cattle "duffing" as it was called in the old days & sly grog selling . One story Duncan told me was , " a bullock was stolen during the night from out of yard , the police were notified , & tracked it to a certain house , but the person that took the animal heard that they were coming , met the police , invited them inside to have dinner , while they were inside the girls of the house took the animals skin , weighed it down with stones & sank it in the dam close by , so the only skin the police found belonged to an old milking cow they had killed .

One story of sly grog selling . A woman was under suspicion , so one of the police called on her , & pretended he had cramps very bad & asked her if she had any sprits in the house to give him some to relief him , she gave him a glass of sprits the real thing , he thanked her & asked if she would be kind enough to put some in a bottle for him for fear he would get them again on his way home , & she did , he paid her for it . So got on his horse & started off , as he was going he turned round with the bottle in his hand & said , "I have you now ". Of course she was summoned to court , & the case was called , the bottle was opened & found to contain only tea , of course the case was dismissed & that constable left the district

In August 1907 my little girl was born , a sweet little darling , the nurse (no training) came & took charge of everything while I was in bed , no doctor . I was rather weakly after her birth . I broke a nerve in my left hand & had a bad arm , could not do anything , it was very painful . I went to the City for a month after seeing a Dr. Both children got the chicken pox while I was in the City , both were better by the time I came home , & again took up the housekeeping , milking etc..

We had rather a nice orchard attached to the place, so I had plenty of fruit to make jam , never had to buy any . I made bottles & bottles of it & preserved some to.

Every day seemed full of work , had breakfast by candlelight & work while it was light enough to see.

Duncan took up more ground so we could run more sheep.

Shearing time was always a busy time for all hands , of course I done all the cooking , seven meals a day , in those times , so a woman was kept busy.

My last baby was born in March 1911 , & my mother died in May of that year (26th) I could not go to the funeral , did not hear in time , & the children were really too young to stand the journey , however I went to see Father the next year (1912) he missed mother very much . They were 57 yrs married when she died . Fathers brother came over to Sydney to see him , he also had lost his wife a short time before & his daughter a hospital matron came with him , he had retired from the Police force as superintendent . We all gathered at Fathers house to see him , you can just imagine how delighted the brothers were to meet after about thirty years , he was a taller man than Father & was very nice & pleasant , he & the daughter were staying at a hotel in the City but she had to go back to duty so they only stayed a few days. Duncan used to play the violin & concertina & even the Jews harp , so he used to be an asset to all the dances about the place. I never went, found plenty to do at home . The children were now growing up & needed attention ,I used to give them lessons whenever I got time, a hard mother , as there was so much about the place to take up their attention however we plodded along . My health was not too good not proper treatment when my babies were born & too much lifting , so I had to go under an operation (1916) .

My sister Minnie came & looked after the children & Duncan while I was in hospital (a month) I had a trying time but got over it , Minnie stayed a short time after I came home then went back to the City .

My father died July 6th 1916 , I went down but was not in time for the funeral , my sister Grace came back with me , she was broken hearted after Father , but she would not stay long about three weeks . I went down to the City on the Saturday & back on the Monday , rather an upset coming back when we got to Rydal we found the mail man could not take us to Sunny Corner as he had only a sulky , so a young man came from Sunny Corner to meet us late in the day . Duncan had came to Dark Corner , but he went home before we got that far , so we had to stay the night with the neighbours they were extremely kind & gave us of the best even to sleep in the parents bed , the neighbour drove us home the next day .

My little girl (only 8) had the beds made , dishes washed & place swept for me a real little woman . When my sister went back to the City , we decided to send our two eldest to the City to school , we missed them very much but it was the only way they could get education . The first war was still raging , the two lads (Duncans sisters boys) had gone , the younger one only 17 put his age on , the eldest one Len went down at Lone Pine , but Barney survived & returned to Australia , poor lad never got over the hardships of it , he got medals & was a sergeant but a grateful country did not do much for him.

The school holidays were a source of delight to the children , picnics very often to the Turon river fishing , we used to catch a lot of slipperies (a small native trout) we brought the frying pan with us always , so we had plenty of fried fish , they were really delicious . Afterwards there were trout put in & the slipperies disappeared , the trout must have destroyed the young ones & there are no fish to be caught there now a pity for it is a lovely stream of water .

We had a visit from my wandering brother , he came on two occasions was a great help to me during shearing , he could cook with the best but he did not stay long either time , could not content himself , must be on the tramp , we lost all trace of him afterwards , but we heard he died in the Gunnedah hospital . I wrote there with no success , but he never travelled under his own name , so goodness knows what

happened , he was over seventy when we heard last of him .

In 1919 the pneumonia flu arrived in the city , so the children came home , were home for ten months . The eldest boy did not go back , he became so useful to his father , my sister Grace came up with them , they went back when things were safe , we let the youngest go back with them & no one knows how I missed my baby . They used to come home for the holidays the Aunt mostly came with them .
We had a car by that time & the Post Office was here for me to look after , it was a convenience but a great tie .I held it for eight years , got 20 pounds a year for looking after it. My sister Grace always came with the children when they came home for holiday , but one Easter she did not come put them on the train & their father was to meet them at "Wang" , the car bailed up , something wrong so he went to Sunny Corner & phoned "Wang" no sign of the children , but they did come & when there was no one to meet them the porter kindly took them home with him & the next day the Uncle went with Duncan . Flora had "phoned" Sunny Corner to find out the delay . You may depend the father was delighted when he found them safe at "Wang" & thanked the porter for his great kindness & you may depend their mother was delighted to see them when they got home , they went back to school until the end of the year (& then they both stayed home), the younger boy was then eleven , & the girl was 14 . I got lessons from the Correspondence School , & finished the boy off , & he did very well .

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DEAFIE BURKE, as he was known, was a mystery man. No one knew whether Burke was his real name, or had any idea where he came from. Even the woman who kept the pub at Sofala (N.S.W.), where he had boarded for years knew no more about him at the finish than when he first arrived. All she knew was that he paid her £1 every Saturday night for the room he occupied there.

He never received any letters, and as far as she knew he had no friends. But he always had money. She never had to ask him for his board. Everyone called him Deafie, because' he never seemed to hear anything that was said to him. But some of the locals guessed that his deafness was only a pretence. Deafie used to disappear for days, sometimes weeks, at a time. He told nobody where he went or what he did. He kept his affairs very much to himself.

Dave Marshall—we'll call him that—first met Deafie at Sofala more than 50 years ago. Marshall surprised Deafie on the bank of the Turon River, which flows just behind the hotel where Deafie lived. The old fellow was kneeling on the bank of the river, washing-a pickle bottle. In the bottle was about 30 ounces of nuggetty gold, worth that time about £100. Marshall was interested in the gold and asked Deafie where he had got it. Deafie wasn't talking. Marshall persisted, and Deafie finally agreed to give him a tip, Marshall swore that he would not divulge the secret. Marshall pledged his word. Deafie then told him that he had found the gold in a dry creek while looking for lost cattle. Marshall asked for more specific information, but Deafie shut up like a clam. After that Marshall shadowed him for weeks, trying to gain Deafie's confidence. Marshall got nowhere.
The woman who kept the pub said thought Deafie was a bit mad. She summed him up as an old bachelor who had accumulated money, or had had it left to him, but didn't know how to use and enjoy it. It was no use questioning him, because he pretended not to hear. He looked at you with a crafty smile, and said nothing. If anyone tried to engage him in conversation he moved quietly away. He seemed suspicious of everybody.

I first met Deafie about 50 years ago when he bought a small parcel of nuggetty gold to the assay department of the Bank of New South Wales, Sydney, where I was employed as a clerk; Part of my job was to weigh the gold left for assay and give a receipt for it. The gold was then assayed by the bank and a cheque given for the value of the gold, less assay expenses. Deafie gave the name of Burke and his address a residential in Woolloomooloo He specially asked the bank not to send any cheques to him and said he would always call for them. He was very emphatic on this point. He became a regular client, and always brought the same kind of nuggetty gold for sale.

Once he didn't call for his cheque for some weeks, and the chief assayer asked me to call at Burke's address and find out if he was still there. When I reached the residential they told me Deafie had been hurt in an accident and was in bed with an injured leg. I was shown to Burke's room. He seemed pleased that I had called and asked for his cheque to be held at the bank until he called for it personally. He said he was afraid that if it was sent to him he would be robbed.
I was sorry for the old chap and went to see him again, taking a bottle of dry sherry. After Deafie had a few Sherries he told me a queer story.

For many years he said he had been postmaster at Grenfell (N.S.W.). While there he had a weird experience. Night after night when he had gone to bed and fallen asleep he was visited by an old prospector who told him that he had died at Sofala when Sofala was known as The Turon and thousands of men from many nations were mining for gold at Pennyweight Flat, Nuggetty Gully and other places on the Turon River. Deafie's visitant claimed to have joined the gold rush, and prospected down the Turon to where near it joined the Macquarie River. Near the junction of the two rivers he had gone up a gully which the miners called Nuggetty Gully, and had seen Byers and Holtermann unearth a slab of gold which was the largest piece of gold ever found in the history of the world. That was the famous Holtermann nugget, which realised more than £12,000. The town of Hill End near where this gold was found was then the second largest town in New South Wales, with a population of more than 60,000, nearly all of whom depended on the mines for an existence. Deafie's spectre claimed to have had no luck at Hill End, and decided to return to Sofala by a short cut over the mountains, He got lost in the mountainous country and eventually found himself in a deep valley which he called Dry Creek. While making his way out of the valley he came across some nuggets of gold on the surface. He gathered about 100 ounces of it, and made his way back to Sofala, where he sold it. Then he went on a spree with the proceeds, and was killed in a brawl.

Then came the strange part. The spectre announced that he had attached himself to Deafie as a spirit guide, and would show him the place he got the gold. Deafie said that at first he thought he had only been dreaming. But the old prospector came again, night after night. and persisted in his story. He begged Deafie to do as he told him—and he would make him a rich man. At last Deafie was persuaded, and threw in his job as postmaster He followed the instructions of his spirit guide, going to Bathurst and taking a coach to Sofala, where he stayed at the pub Sure enough, the old prospector came to him there and gave him definite directions where to go. He made one request Deafie was not to tell anyone, keep the find a strict secret. Deafie gave the promise.

Well, the years rolled by, and I lost track of Deafie~. I was moved away from Sydney. to various country branches of the bank, Years later I joined a new bank—the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Sir Denison Miller, the Governor of the bank, put me in charge of the advancing department, I stayed for many years.

One day during World War I, when the War Loans were being floated, who should walk into the new bank to see me but Deafie himself, I recognised him at once. He wanted to invest in a War Loan, and he did so, substantially. After that he came regularly to see me. He refused to be interviewed by any other officer of the bank.

One day he came to ask me what he could do about his landlady who was cheating him over his breakfast. I asked him why he didn't stay at the best hotel in Sydney, where he could -have the best food, and as much as he wanted. I reminded him that he was a rich man, and had nobody depending on him. My advice was that he should enjoy his wealth while he could, as he had no one to leave it to. Deafie didn't fancy the advice. He went away muttering that his landlady was cheating him.

A few months later he died in his bed, and the police were called in. They were going to bury him as a pauper until one of the police, looking through Deafie's belongings discovered receipts for War Loan stock and fixed deposits with the banks totalling 50,000 pounds. The Public Trustee stepped in and administered Deafie's estate as an intestate. No will was ever discovered. Relatives were advertised for throughout Australia and England without success. In the end the NSW government benefited by the lot. More than 50,000 pounds went into Consolidated Revenue.

The story has a sequel. Much later on, when I was shooting in the mountains near Sofala, I wandered into a valley marked on the parish maps as Dry Flat. Here I stumbled on an outcrop of what looked like a gossanous ironstone reef. I knocked off the cap, and brought the sample of stone to Sydney, for assay by the Dep of Mines. To my surprise the sample assayed nearly four ounces to the ton. I also learned that an old fellow named Tommy Conran had been poking about in the same valley, and had found coarse gold on the surface, which he sold for 60 pounds in Mudgee. Like old Deafie, Tommy Conran had been long dead.

Recently I met Marshall in a Sydney cafe while having a morning cup of coffee. Quite by accident I mentioned how Deafie had been in the habit of selling gold nuggets to the bank and his story of the dream he had. Marshall then told me of his meeting with Deafie on the bank of the Turon River. He told me he had tramped over the hills and mountains in and around Sofala looking for Deafie's secret mine. But he'd had no luck.

The upshot of this meeting is that Marshall, myself, and two others have pegged out 50 acres at Dry Flat as a prospecting lease. One of these days we hope to get official approval from the Dep of Mines. After that, well we shall see.

THE END.

STORIES OF DAWGS, AND ORSES.

The things that people from the bush love are their Dogs and their Horses. This is backed up by their love to tell tales of said animals. Several books have been written espousing the deeds of these great animals, so I will resist the urge to tell of the ones I have had the pleasure of being associated with.

So a few tales that come to mind.

Jack Theobald was working for the Fergusons and that meant a 7 km ride to work. When Jack arrived in the morning he would let his horse go in one of the small paddocks nearby. In the afternoon went he went to catch the horse it knew what was coming and played 'hard to catch'. Jack also had a dog with him that had a habit of carrying sticks, at times up to a meter long.

This afternoon Jack had the horse cornered and was ready to grab the rope he had around the horses neck, the dog was ready to help and had a stout stick at the ready.

It all seemed to happen in slow motion, Jack made a quick dash to get the rope, the dog made a quick dash and poked the stick between Jacks legs. Result, Jack flat on his face and explaining to the dog what he was going to do with the stick, yelling to my father to get a gun so he could deal with the horse problem. We helped catch the horse and Jack was off, smoking his pipe and still forecasting the dogs future.

In it's hey-day Warrie employed a lot of workers, and of course they came and went, and they needed a lot of horses. One particular horse, known as "Baccey ", kept the old hands amused for years. When a new man came he always was given Baccey , and there was no trouble (he was a very good horse ,bar one trick). For a day or two the new rider would keep a tight rein till he got used of horse , and the horse was happy to wait. Then at some stage the new rider, happy with his mount would let the reins go and get his tobacco out and start to roll a smoke. Maybe the horse had a dislike for tobacco smoke, for as the rider went to light his smoke Baccey would drop his head and casually throw the rider. This was also a test of the new rider by the old hands, if he took it well he was a good bloke, if not he had a problem.

How far will a dog travel in a night?. My grandfather Duncan was carting with his bullock wagon a load along the Mudgee road. He has a bitch with him that was heavy in pup, and in the morning he found her with a litter of 6 pups in a nice nest she had made. As he was coming back in a few days he left her to pick up on the way back. That night as he was having tea she arrived carrying a pup, so he made a nest and put her and pup to bed, Next morning when he checked her there she was with the 6 pups. The average distance a bullock team covers a day on average is 8 miles (12 k), let us say he had a bad day and made only 8 k that bitch still had a busy time

Before the town of Cudgegong went under water to become the Windameer Dam it was a little town with the mandatory pub. The main road to Mudgee ran through the town so it was a handy watering hole for the weary traveller. There was an old timer that sat on the veranda with a dog by his side and when asked if the dog was any good, the reply was "he's that good he can muster and yard frogs". He would steer the conversation around to a bet, he would produce a match box with a frog in it, tip the frog out on the ground and proclaim " if he can put that frog back in the match box you buy me a beer" So, he would put the dog to work, with his paws the dog would guide the frog towards the box, and the frog being no fool would hop in the box, and the dog would finish the show by putting his paw on the box to keep the frog in. Then into the bar and settle the bet, have a drink , back to the veranda and wait for the next car.

FORKED LIGHTING

This area was never different from any other when it came to dogs that wandered. The Theobalds were not well known for keeping their dogs tied up at night. So as sure as whatever when we had a bitch in season one of their dogs would be here trying to get into the pen where the bitch was. We would set old rabbit traps with weak springs so as not to damage their feet. Next morning there would be a very sad dog with two or three feet in traps. To help him on his way home we would get a small forked stick and as we let the dog out of the traps we would lift up the tail, insert the forked stick and let him go. The first thing he would do was jam his tail on the fork and the more he jammed the tail the faster he would go. This was known as "forked lightning", it did the dog no harm and usually kept it home.

On one occasion one of Theobalds dogs was chasing sheep on Nebo and Tom Ferguson shot it but only wounded it. The dog made it back home and died. The neighbours next to the Theobalds got the blame as the Theobalds did not think it would go that far.

A trick Frank Tobin at Limekilns used was to catch the wandering dog then pour paint on it and next day go to the owner and complain about the straying dog. If the owner denied his dogs were wandering Frank would produce a piece of rag with some of the light blue Dulux on it and tell the neighbour "If you see a dog with this on it, it was down home, and I think you best tie it up"

HEAVYLOAD

My Grandmother at Capertee had this handy old pony called Paddy, and at times different ones would get a loan of him.
One day Ernie Theobald called at "Lochaber" and asked if he could have Paddy for the weekend to go down to the Oakey and back.
Grandma said yes to his request but to take care with Paddy as he was getting old, to this Ernie replied he would be very careful and he would wear his change of clothes and raincoat so as Paddy would not have to carry them.

This lady with the desire to run every ones lives could hear strange noises and shouting coming from the neighbours, so she tuned in. What she heard was frightening, there was banging and crashing, the man of the house was heard several times to yell out "You mongrel bitch if you do that again I will shoot you". Armed with the knowledge that he was going to shoot his wife, our caring lady rang the police, and they came at once to stop this madman . What the police(with hand on gun) found was the man on the roof of the shed taking iron off, and throwing on the ground, the a blue heeler bitch eyeing off the chooks wandering around. When a hen went near the kennel the dog would rush out to grab her and the killer on the roof would yell at her.

THE JANE VIRGINIA FERGUSON (PEET.) STORY

Jane was my Fathers, Fathers, Mother. Her story makes interesting reading. It gives an insight to life of the 1800's

Jane was born in Manchester England 11th Feb 1842, the youngest of fifteen children.
Her parents were Charles Septimus Peet and Ann Yates.
In London, her father C.S. Peet not only manufactured and sold silk products but was so successful that he also became a banker.
Family legends handed down have usually proved very reliable. One such legend claims that Charles Septimus Peet was a personal friend of Charles Dickens, belonging to the same club as Dickens, recorded as the Royal English Society Club, and that he was the inspiration for the main character in Dickens' first novel The Pickwick Papers.
Most of Janes early life was spent in London in well to-do addresses such as Claremont Square , Cumberland Terrace in Lloyd Square and also a house in Derby called Westfield Cottage.
In the early 1840s two of her brothers, Charles (the eldest) and George, migrated to the USA and settled in the town of Auburn in upstate New York, close to Niagara Falls and the Canadian border
Then in 1849 another two of her brothers Richard and Frederick (aged 18 and 16) ran away from home. They forged their parents' signatures on application forms and migrated to New South Wales in Australia on the bounty immigrant scheme, sailing on the Petrel.

Not knowing where they had gone, but presuming they may have gone to America to join Charles and George, Charles Septimus, his wife Ann and their children William Yates, Mary Elizabeth, Alice, Agnes and Jane Virginia (aged between 19 and 7) boarded the steamer Washington and in August 1849 and sailed for America to look for them. Needless to say they were not to be found in America.
In 1850 her father purchased a resort, the Lake House, situated in Auburn on the shore of Lake Owasco, one of the Finger Lakes in New York. They were great entertainers, and held many fancy dress balls there, complete with lavish banquets of good food.
Jane Virginia had singing lessons in Toronto from Jenny Lind, one of the most famous classical singers of the 19th century, known as "The Swedish Nightingale. Perhaps she entertained the guests at the Lake House, where the Peet family lived until 1852, moving then to Maryland where their son George and his wife Ellen were living.
In 1855 Ann and Charles Septimus with Jane Virginia returned to London.

Then in 1857 Jane and her parents were on the move again, this time to Australia. It is not known if they had heard the two missing boys were here, of if the gold lured them.
Little is known of their movements till Janes marriage .
The story goes that Duncan Ferguson 2nd met Jane at the "Rising Sun Inn" at Limekilns. (This is the old building just on the Bathurst side of the Mt Horrible turnoff").
What the Peets were doing in the area is not known but I feel sure that Jane with her love of singing and entertaining was more than likely the star attraction at the inn , and her father was wheeling and dealing in gold.
At this time the Fergusons were well established on "Warrie" , like a lot of graziers they would have been making good money supplying livestock to feed the miners.
Then on the 22-08-1859 Duncan Ferguson 2nd married Jane Virginia Peet at "Warrie" Palmers Oakey, Minister Colin Stewart of the Church of Scotland and the witnesses were John McKinnon and Hugh McKay.
Duncan was 21 years old, occupation stockholder and carrier of "Warrie" and Jane was 17 years of Limekilns.
Just six months later on the 5-2-1860 Duncans father, Duncan Ferguson (1st) died at Piper St Bathurst from cancer of the stomach and was buried at Bathurst . He left a very well constructed will. Duncan's share goes as follows.
"I give and bequeath to my son Duncan all my working bullocks, dray and harness belonging to them, also my plough, my gun, my valise and one half of the wheat and hay crops, one fourth of the potato crop, also my right and title to two sections of Crown land at the back of Coolamigal of what I got from P Murray, and one third of what ever flour tea and sugar that may remain of what I left of my own on condition of his paying the sum of Thirty pounds Stirling to my executors to be paid by them as hereafter named" So Janes future looked good.
22-05-1860 Duncan and Janes first child a daughter Annie was born. Then on the 27-05-1860 Duncan and Jane had Annie baptised by Rev Colin Stewart and gave the address where Annie was born as Reedy Flat Palmers Oakey and Duncan's profession as farmer.
Jane would have had the assistance of Isabella McKenzie who came to Australia with the Fergusons in 1839 as a wet nurse for Duncan's sibling Jessie, her mother died just after her birth. Isabella lived with Duncan and Jane till her death in 1868.
12-03-1861 Janes mother Ann Peet died from dysentery at Browns Creek south west of Bathurst, and was buried at Bathurst on the 14-03-1861. A long way from the "good life " she was accustomed to.
Nothing is known of her father C S till 1866 when he appeared again in the U S A, with his U S A family, and he died on the 15 July 1868 in St Louis .
Just before this in 1862 Janes nephew Charles Henry Peet fought in the Civil War at places like Harper's Ferry and the Battle of Gettysburg.

28-08-1861 Duncan and Janes second child a daughter Mary was born, and she was baptised by Rev Colin Stewart on the 10 Nov 1861 and gave the address where Mary was born as Reedy Flat Palmers Oakey and Duncans profession as Farmer.

31-3-1863 Duncan and Janes third child a son Duncan born and he was baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart on the 10th Dec 1863 and gave the address where the boy was born as Palmers Oakey and Duncan's profession as Innkeeper.

Janes daughter-in-law Matilda later wrote."In the early days there was a public house on the Oakey my husbands people kept it for a time , the miners used to gather there play cards , & I suppose some gambling games , they used match boxes (round ones) full of gold dust for the stakes , it was there Duncan was born , his people took up ground where the sheep station "Warrie" now stands ". I can find no records of the inn at "Warrie" but old timers talk of it as being there from early in the gold rush and 'mine hosts' were great entertainers .

What records I have found show that Samuel Taylor had Inns in the area, starting with the "Diggers Arms" Palmers Oakey 1853, the "Rising Sun" Limekilns 1859 and Mitchells Creek prior to 1866. He held these licences for several years, the Tobins running the one at Limekilns, at one stage a Mrs Armour was at Palmers Oakey . Taylor was a good business man and I think he recognised Janes experience in the inn keeping and entertaining world. He may have employed Jane to sing at the Rising Sun where Duncan met her. So it would make sense to have Jane and Duncan run the inn at Palmers Oakey as the Warrie house was nearby. It was also convenient that Duncan was a carrier to transport goods to the inn.

These were the times of the bushranger, but Duncan and Jane had little trouble as they supplied them with fresh horses. Each night as the chores were being done a few good riding horses were yarded, occasionally next morning some would be gone and well used ones in their place.

05-07-1864 their fourth child a son Charles Peet born
15-01-1864 Stephen Larkin and his wife Alexina (Duncans ½ sister) had a son Stephen.
17-01-1865 Thomas Southall and his wife Janet (Jessie) (Duncans ½ sister) had a son Thomas Duncan
03-09-1865 John Smith and his wife Isabella (Duncans ½ sister) had a son Robert McLennon
13-06-1866 John McKinnon and his wife Catherine (Duncans ½ sister) had a son George Busby at Limekilns.
08-04-1867 John Smith and his wife Isabella (Duncans ½ sister) had a daughter Donaldina Isabella.
22-04-1867 their fifth child a daughter Willina born and she was baptised by the Rev Colin Stewart on the 4th Oct 1867 and gave the address where she was born as Palmers Oakey and Duncan's profession as Farmer
20-09-1868 Thomas Southall and his wife Janet (Duncans ½ sister) had a daughter Janet Mary.
20-03-1869 Archibald McKinnon and his wife Mary (Duncans ½ sister) had a daughter Eliza Grace Castle
09-06-1869 Portion 39 Dulabree granted to Duncan Ferguson 2nd. for £4-10-0, the portion that the Warrie house is on.
15-06-1869 Stephen Larkin and his wife Alexina (Duncans ½ sister) had a daughter Emma
30-11-1869 John Smith and Isabella (Duncans ½ sister) had a son at Dark Corner his name being Willy.
07-06-1872 Duncan's oldest sibling John Ferguson married Susannah Haines at Larkins house Jews Creek

The above births and marriages are some of Janes extended family and most of the certificates carry Janes signature as a witness. She also appears on a lot of certificates relating to various families in the area. Jane was a very busy lady.

By the 1870's the gold rush had slowed and the free spending diggers had moved on or settled on small areas and the reef mines at Sunny Corner, Hill End were coming on stream and a lot of the people were moving .This led to a reduction in the number of bush inns, and Samuel Taylor had moved back to Sydney. So the cash flow from the inn was gone and the lavish lifestyle started to take its toll for on the 5th June 1874 Duncan mortgaged Warrie to James Fitzpatrick a storekeeper of Bathurst.

01-02-1875 Duncan Ferguson 2nd again mortgaged "Warrie" to James Fitzpatrick a storekeeper of Bathurst.
21-07-1876 Their sixth child a daughter Alice born.

The year 1878 was a mixed one for the Fergusons on Warrie, Johns wife Susannah gave birth to a son, Duncan George on the 15th Feb 1878, less than two months later Susannah died on the 8th April 1879. Then 10 days later the 18th April 1878 Jane gave birth to her seventh child a son Ewen McColl. The boy Duncan George survived, he was reared by the Larkin and Smith branch of the Ferguson clan. He later went to WW l and served with the "miners" that have became well known due to the book and movie "Under Hill 60".

3-2-1881 Janes second child Mary married in Bathurst John Benjamin Sparks, and the first grandchild Virginia Ellen arrived later that year.
21-5-1883 Janes first child Annie married in Bathurst Simon Barry of Winburndale.

21-03-1884 Duncan 2nd mother Mary McColl Ferguson died aged 89. Cause of death was given as senile decay. She was buried two days later in the Palmers Oakey cemetery.
15-4-1890 Janes sixth child Alice married in Bathurst William Smith (a son of Duncans 2nd ½ sister)
24-05-1890 Janes fifth child Willina married Peter McKinnon at Christ Church C of E Sydney.
01-06-1891 Janes fourth child Charles Peet married Mary Thomas at her fathers house at Sunny Corner Witnessed by Duncan Ferguson and Sarah Thomas
1891 Thomas Durack took over mortgage on "Warrie" from James Fitzpatrick.
00-00-1892 Thomas Durack foreclosed on Duncan Ferguson 2nd and took over "Warrie".

The early 1890's were hard times, there was a drought, a depression was in full swing, the banks were closing, they were desperate times and Duncan made a desperate move , he owned a race horse, a good one so he challenged one of the well to-do in Bathurst , winner take all. The Bathurst people knew Duncan's horse was the best, so they had him doped. The horse lost, the Fergusons lost.

When they lost Warrie, Duncan 2nd and Jane moved to "Oaks", and before the bailiff arrived John went bush with a mob of sheep, Duncan went on the road with bullocks and wagon and Ewen Mc Coll went bush with a mob of horses.

27-7-1892 Duncan Ferguson made application to the Stock and Brands branch of the Dep of Mines, to brand his horses and cattle with DF: . Prior to this their brand was DFS
31-12-1892 Duncan 3rd and Charles Peet Ferguson made application for the right to run their stock on the Palmers Oakey Common.
20-9-1893 Common Rights granted to Duncan 2nd

The common stock book for 1893 shows that Duncan 3rd and Charles Peet had 21 horses and 28 cattle running on the common. In 1894 Duncan 2nd had 7 horses and 18 cattle, Duncan 3rd 14 horses and 11 cattle while Charles Peet had 4 horses and 21 cattle.

So Janes life was becoming stable again, she had a home, her husband and sons were rebuilding and the depression was easing. Her son Ewen McColl was living with her, the other son Duncan lived at 'Kelvin' 50 meters away and daughter Alice and family 150 meters away. Her main problem was her husband, since the loss of Warrie he was depressed and unwell, he was suffering from a bladder problem (possibly prostate cancer) and blood poising set in and on the 15th August 1895 he died at Oaks aged 57 years.

Two days later he was buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery. John McKinnon acted as undertaker with M Galagher JP reading the service. George McLeod and William Smith witnessed certificate.

A month later Jane had new neighbours, on the 12th Sept 1895 the Bathurst Post Master William Gilbert Thompson bought Warrie.

The 1895's 6's would have been a worrying time as "Slipery Jack" a local bushranger was on the prowl, raiding miners camps and "Warrie" before he was shot and captured in the Capertee valley.

Jane appeared to have little fear of wandering alone in the bush, when the wild bulls took her cows bush she would head off after them. Often when she found them the bulls resented her presence and would charge her. Jane only armament was an umbrella and as the bull lined her up she would charge him opening and closing the brolly, and always won.

Jane kept in touch with her family in the U S A, (I have a letter from her sister in Auburn NY.) And about 1900 a sister from the U S A came to visit and gave her a sewing machine inlaid with mother of pearl and a violin for her son Duncan.

Her brother Richard Peet died at Ingleburn on the 7th May 1899 and was buried at West Maitland

About this time her brother Richards sons Charles and George struck it rich in WA at the Black Crow gold mine , sold it for millions and Charles done the lot in England and the USA. His London chequebooks show withdrawals over a six year period of over a million pounds.

On the 22nd of December 1901 Jane made her last will and testament naming her son Ewen as sole executor and leaving him all the land leased in her name with sheep, horses, cattle, sulky, chaff cutter, plough, harrows and whatever else she possessed. To her daughter Alice Smith her saddle, sewing machine and all that her bedroom contained.

The new Palmers Oakey school opened on the 15th Jan 1904 with Miss Matilda Josephine Deasey as teacher. Matilda boarded with Jane and years later she wrote the following.

"Arrived here on Jan 15th 1904 The people were very homely, & used to amuse themselves with an occasional dance , picnic etc, I was not a dancer & I visited very little . There was a Union church about two miles away , I used to go occasionally to service there , a preacher would come about once a month. The woman of the house in which I boarded was full of life & loved nothing better than dances & parties she was really the life of the place.

It was not long before the eldest son of the house & myself started to keep company , he was a very hard working man , had a bullock team , & done a lot of carrying from the Oakey to Bathurst , wattle bark , honey etc. he was really the main stay of his mother , she had a few sheep , his other brother the youngest one done very little , too fond of sport , played the piano , but did not like hard work . his youngest sister Alice Smith lived close , a lovely woman , married with four children all going to school , her husband had an accident in a mine some years before poor fellow , an unexploded charge blew up really a wonder he was not killed , he used to get work around the district , a good worker ."

So on the 28-9-1904 Janes third child Duncan married Matilda in her father's house 154 Bay St Rockdale, and they lived at 'Kelvin'

In mid January 1905 Janes daughter Alice became ill and the family took her by sulky to Bathurst to see Dr Machattie , he diagnosed pneumonia cardiac and sent her home. She lasted 10 days, Jane nursing her day and night and on Australia Day 26th January 1905 she died. Alice was buried next day in the Palmers Oakey cemetery, George Parr acting as undertaker and J Gallagher Methodist layman conducting the service.

Jane now had four grandchildren 2 girls and 2 boys aged 8 to 15 to care for.

A week later Jane became ill and on the night of the 4th Feb 1905 Duncan and Matilda took her by sulky down the river to Sofala, Duncan walking ahead with a lantern and Matilda driving the horse. It must have been one hell of a journey for Jane.

Then on the 6th Feb 1905 Jane Virginia Ferguson died in Sofala Hospital. The doctor, J F Cobb diagnosed pneumonia asthenia. Her body was brought back to the Oakey and on the 7th February 1905 Jane Virginia Ferguson was buried at Palmers Oakey cemetery.



JANE & DUNCAN C1890

CHARCOAL.

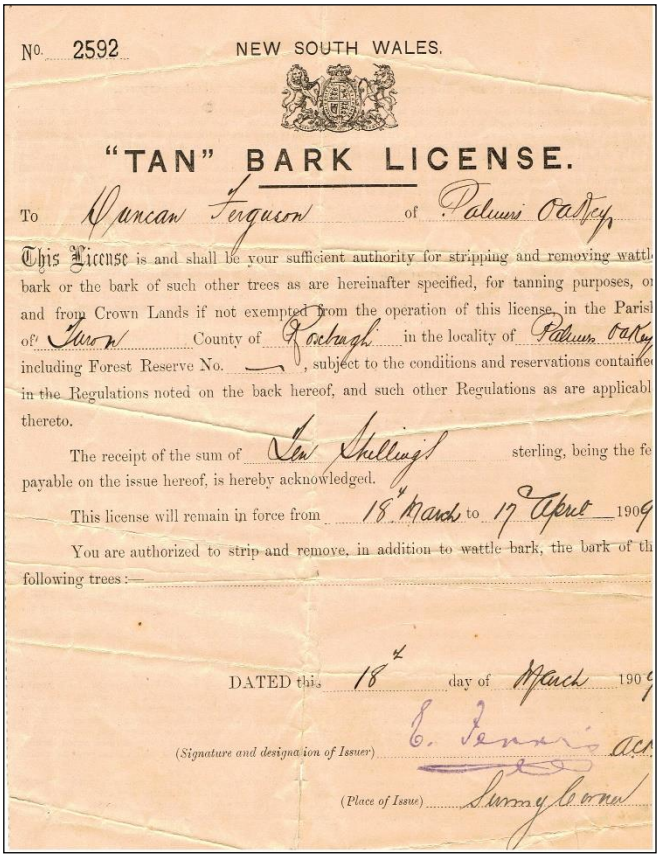
Charcoal was always part of life here till the 1950's. It main use was as fuel in forges for the blacksmiths. We would select a suitable log, usually a hollow stringy bark and set fire to it. A few weeks later after rain had washed the fines away to reduce the amount of dust, the large lumps of charcoal would be put into an old spud bag. This was stored in the shed where the forge was to keep it dry.
When the forge was to be used, a fire was lit where the air came out of the bellows, and when going well the charcoal was added and the bellows pumped. The blast of air would supply more oxygen and soon the charcoal would become hot enough to melt iron.

During and after WW ll petrol was rationed and to power the few cars people had they turned to fitting charcoal burners. A large drum plus piping was fitted , charcoal was put in the drum, a fire lit underneath and the gas produced fed to the engine and presto it went, though, there was not much power.
The demand for charcoal increased and a supply industry developed. Stan McKinnon and Clive Munro went into making charcoal for the locals and some went to town. They had 3 pits going that I know of. The pits were holes in the ground , one by three meters by two deep. Yellow box logs were stacked in tightly and a fire lit. When the fire was going well the pit was covered with corrugate iron and sealed with earth, letting in just enough air to maintain a very slow burn. After a week or two the pit was opened, the charcoal bagged and in the case of the pit on Hawkins Hill the bag was put on a flying fox to take it to the road. Then onto a truck and off to market.

TAN BARK,

The bark from the local black wattle trees was used to tan skins, both locally and the tanneries in Sydney. It developed into a local industry that provided income for a lot of the population.

The bark was stripped from the tree by what ever means possible. The bark was then made into bundles that were not too big to carry, then tied with a strip of the bark. When the stripper had enough bundles to move, he would load them onto a slide made from a forked tree and pulled by a quite horse or bullock. The slide track would lead to an area where it was possible to get a bullock wagon to. The bundles would be stockpiled here and the carrier would load up and take it to the rail at Pipers Flat mainly to go to the tanneries at Botany. In 1927 Duncan Ferguson sold Tan Bark to Penrith Tannery. 8 tons 15 cwt 2 qrs @ £6-5-0 per ton.



No. 2592 NEW SOUTH WALES.

"TAN" BARK LICENSE.

To Duncan Ferguson of Palmers Oakey

This License is and shall be your sufficient authority for stripping and removing wattle bark or the bark of such other trees as are hereinafter specified, for tanning purposes, on and from Crown Lands if not exempted from the operation of this license, in the Parish of Jerrow County of Roxburgh in the locality of Palmers Oakey including Forest Reserve No. —, subject to the conditions and reservations contained in the Regulations noted on the back hereof, and such other Regulations as are applicable thereto.

The receipt of the sum of Ten Shillings sterling, being the fee payable on the issue hereof, is hereby acknowledged.

This license will remain in force from 18th March to 17 April 1909

You are authorized to strip and remove, in addition to wattle bark, the bark of the following trees:—

DATED this 18th day of March 1909

(Signature and designation of Issuer) E. Dennis acting

(Place of Issue) Surveyor

NOTE: A TAN BARK LICENSE WAS NOT CHEAP. 10/- FOR ONE MONTH

CONVERSION OF IMPERIAL TO METRIC TABLE

1 Penny	1d	= 0.83c
1 Threepence	3d	= 3c
1 Sixpence	6d	= 5c
1 Shilling	1/-	= 10c
1 Pound	£1	= $2
1 Sovereign	£1	= $2
1 Guinea	£1-1	= $2.10
1 inch		= 25.4mm
1 Foot	12 inches	= 30.5cm
1 Yard	3 feet	= 91.5cm
1 Chain	22 yards	= 20m (approx)
1 Mile	80 chains	= 1.61km
1 Kilometre		= 0.621 miles
1 Pennyweight (dwt)		= 24 grains
20 Pennyweights		= 1 ounce (oz) Troy
1 Pound (weight)		= 454 gm
1 Ton		= 1.02 t
1 Pint		= 568 mls or .57 litres
1 Gallon		= 4.55 litres
1 Acre		= 0.405 hectares
1 Acre		= 4840 sq.yds.
1 Square Mile		= 640 acres
50° Fahrenheit		= 10° Celsius
69° Fahrenheit		= 20° Celsius
86° Fahrenheit		= 30° Celsius
1 point (rainfall)		= .25 mm

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